Scraping Movie Information

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Joblo.com

The first step is to create a csv file to write to. We need to specify the name of the csv file we would like to save, set writing mode to "w", which is going to overwrite the old file with the same name. If we the writing mode to "a", it's going to append the new rows to the existing file. Once we create the file and open it for writing, we write the first row as the column names. Then, we send html request to the url we would like to parse and use Beautiful soup to extract the information we would like to store in the csv file.

```
1. import requests
from bs4 import BeautifulSoup
import csv
4.
5. # Create a file to write to, add headers row
6. f = csv.writer(open('joblo_poster.csv', 'w', newline=''))
7. f.writerow(['Title', 'Poster'])
9. page = requests.get('https://www.joblo.com/movie-posters/archives/ALL/')
10. # Create a BeautifulSoup object
11. soup = BeautifulSoup(page.text, 'html.parser')
12. last_links = soup.find_all("li", attrs={"class":"vertical"})
13. number_of_poster = len(last_links)
14.
15. for i in range(0, number_of_poster):
           Title= last_links[i].find("div",class_="bottom-poster").a.string
16.
17.
           Poster = last_links[i].div.a.img.get("src")
18.
           Poster = 'https://www.joblo.com'+Poster
19.
           print(i)
20.
           f.writerow([Title,Poster])
21.
22. del f
```

The table below shows the result of the above code. The column "Poster" is the link to the image that we will download in the next step.

Title	Poster
The Butterfly Effect	https://www.joblo.com/assets/images/oldsite/posters/images/full/2004-butterfly_effect-1_thumb.jpg
The Butterfly Effect	https://www.joblo.com/assets/images/oldsite/posters/images/full/2004-butterfly_effect-2_thumb.jpg
Agent Cody Banks 2	https://www.joblo.com/assets/images/oldsite/posters/images/full/agent-cody-banks-two-poster_thumb.jpg
Blade: Trinity	https://www.joblo.com/assets/images/oldsite/posters/images/full/2004-blade_trinity-1_thumb.jpg
Blade: Trinity	https://www.joblo.com/assets/images/oldsite/posters/images/full/2004-blade_trinity-2_thumb.jpg
Blade: Trinity	https://www.joblo.com/assets/images/oldsite/posters/images/full/2004-blade_trinity-3_thumb.jpg
Blade: Trinity	https://www.joblo.com/assets/images/oldsite/posters/images/full/2004-blade_trinity-4_thumb.jpg
Blade: Trinity	https://www.joblo.com/assets/images/oldsite/posters/images/full/2004-blade_trinity-5_thumb.jpg
Barbershop 2: Back in	https://www.joblo.com/assets/images/oldsite/posters/images/full/barbershop2-poster_thumb.jpg

The next step is to download all the image from the links that we scraped to csv file earlier. First, we create the name of directory that we are going to store the images. After that, we create a list of all image links by using "Pandas" library.

```
1. ####Download from joblo csv file####
2. #Define the name of directory
3. f_name = "/joblo_poster"
4.
5. # Create the directory name where the images will be saved
6. base dir = os.getcwd()
7. dir_name = (f_name.split('/')[-1]).split('.')[0]
8. dir name
9. dir_path = os.path.join(base_dir, dir_name)
10.
11. #Create the directory if already not there
12. if not os.path.exists(dir_path):
13.
       os.mkdir(dir_path)
14.
15. # Read the csv with links to all the image pages
16. os.getcwd()
17. df = pd.read_csv("CSV_File\joblo_poster.csv")
18. df.columns
19. links=df.Poster
```

Once we have the list of image links ready, we define a function to download the image save them in the format "Pic_number_MovieName.jpg". In order to avoid getting blocked by the site you are scraping or downloading, we change user agents name in the header.

```
1. # Function to take an image url and save the image in the given directory
2. def download_image(url,image_number):
3.
        print("[INFO] downloading {}".format(url))
4.
        name = str(url.split('/')[-1])
        name = f"Pic_{image_number}"+name #File name that will be saved
opener=urllib.request.build_opener()#Add header and chage user-
5.
6.
  agent name so we don't get forbidden by the website
7.
        opener.addheaders=[('User-
   Agent', 'Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 6.1; WOW64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chro
    me/36.0.1941.0 Safari/537.36')]
8.
        urllib.request.install opener(opener)
9.
        urllib.request.urlretrieve(url,os.path.join(dir_path, name))
10.
11. #Download ALL image in URL links list
12. j=1
13. for i in links:
14.
        print (j)
15.
        download_image(i,j)
16.
        j+=1
```

Impawards.com

The information we want from this website are also images, so the process is basically the same as for joblo.com. The difference is just the scaping part where we extract images link which store in different HTML tag format. The code below shows how to get the image links.

```
    import requests
    from bs4 import BeautifulSoup
    import csv
```

```
4. #from time import sleep
5.
6. # Create a file to write to, add headers row
7. f = csv.writer(open('impawards.csv', 'a', newline='')) # 'a' to append not overwrite th
    e original file ,, newline='' to write row without blank row betweeb each row
f.writerow(['Designer', 'Number_of_poster',"Links","Poster_name","Year"])
9.
10.
11. page = requests.get('http://www.impawards.com/designers/index.html')
12. # Create a BeautifulSoup object
13. soup = BeautifulSoup(page.text, 'html.parser')
14. last_links = soup.find_all("div", attrs={"class":"col-md-4"}, limit=3)
15. number = len(last_links)
16. number
17.
18. for i in range(0, number):
19.
20.
            Designersss= last_links[i].ul.find_all("li")
21.
            for j in range(0,len(Designersss)):
22.
                #Designer name
23.
                Designer = Designersss[j].find("b").string
24.
                #Poster
25.
                link_to_poster = Designersss[j].a.get("href")
                link_to_poster = "http://www.impawards.com/designers/"+link_to_poster
26.
27.
                newpage = requests.get(link_to_poster) #Go into the link
28.
                newsoup = BeautifulSoup(newpage.text, 'html.parser')
                new last links= newsoup.find("center").find_next_sibling("center")
29.
                Postersss=new last links.find all("a")
30.
31.
                #Number of poster of each designer
32.
                Designersss[j].b.decompose()
33.
                Number_of_poster = Designersss[j].get_text()
34.
                #Poster (continue)
35.
                for k in range(0,len(Postersss)):
36.
                    #Get poster link URL
37.
38.
                    Poster=Postersss[k].get("href")
39.
                    if Poster[0:5]=='/intl':
40.
                        inter=Poster.split("/")
                        MyPoster="http://www.impawards.com"+"/"+inter[1]+"/"+inter[2]+"/"+i
41.
    nter[3]+"/posters/"+inter[4][:-4]+"jpg"
                        Poster name = inter[4][:-5]
42.
43.
                        Year = inter[3]
44.
45.
                    elif Poster[0:3]=="/tv" :
                        inter=Poster.split("/")
46.
                        MyPoster="http://www.impawards.com"+"/"+inter[1]+"/posters/"+inter[
    2][:-4]+"jpg"
                        Poster_name = Poster[4:-5]
48.
49.
50.
                    else:
51.
                        MyPoster="http://www.impawards.com"+Poster[0:5]+"/posters"+Poster[5
    :-4]+"jpg"
52.
                        Poster name = Poster[6:-5]
53.
                        Year = Poster[1:5]
54.
55.
                    print(Designer)
56.
                    print(MyPoster)
57.
                    f.writerow([Designer,Number of poster, MyPoster, Poster name, Year])
58.
59. del f
```

Designer	Number	Links	Poster_name	Year		pic_no	tconst	genres	originalTitle
11:24 Design Advertising	-52	http://www.impawa	maynard		2017	1	tt4375446	Documentary	maynard
11:24 Design Advertising	-52	http://www.impawa	true to the gan		2017	2	tt5116504	Drama	true to the game
11:24 Design Advertising	-52	http://www.impawa	sister code		2015	3	tt3912040	Comedy, Drama, F	sister code
11:24 Design Advertising	-52	http://www.impawa	falcon rising		2014	4	tt2295722	Action, Adventur	falcon rising
11:24 Design Advertising	-52	http://www.impawa	oldboy		2013	5	tt1321511	Action, Drama, My	oldboy

The next step is to download the image from the links we scraped earlier in the CSV file. The code below shows how to achieve this task.

```
    f name = "Impawards updated"

2.
3. # Create the directory name where the images will be saved
4. base dir = os.getcwd()
5. dir_name = (f_name.split(',')[-1]).split('.')[0]
6. dir name
7. dir path = os.path.join(base dir, dir name)
8.
9. #Create the directory if already not there
10. if not os.path.exists(dir_path):
       os.mkdir(dir path)
12.
13. # Read the csv with links to all the image pages
14. os.getcwd()
15. df = pd.read csv("impawards updated.csv")
16. df.columns
17. links=df.Links
18.
19. # Function to take an image url and save the image in the given directory
20. def download_image(url,image_number):
       print("[INFO] downloading {}".format(url))
       name = f"Pic_{image_number}.jpg" #File name that will be saved
22.
23.
           opener=urllib.request.build_opener()
24.
25.
           opener.addheaders=[('User-
   Agent', 'Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 6.1; WOW64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chro
   me/36.0.1941.0 Safari/537.36')]
26. urllib.request.install_opener(opener)
           urllib.request.urlretrieve(url,os.path.join(dir_path, name))
27.
28.
       except Exception as error:
29.
           print ("[~] Error Occured with %s : %s" % (name, error))
30.
31. for i in links:
32.
       print (j)
       download_image(i,j)
33.
34.
       j+=1
```

Rottentomatoes.com

We also collect image information, so the process is, again, similar to that of joblo.com. We collect the links save them to csv and download from there. However, this website is back by javascript. We can't send the request regularly and get the full information. We need to

render the javascript part. To be able to render the javascript part, we use selenium. The result in csy file and the code are shown below.

Title	Metascore	Release_date	Image
Shazam!	91%	2-J	ll https://resizing.flixster.com/kuYtu_B1xzuyeXnjzWhEQFtlvM0=/130x0/v1.bTsxMzAxODU5MTtqOzE4MTk1OzEyMDA7Mjc2NDs0MDk2
Avengers:	94%	30-J	ll https://resizing.flixster.com/7-hNtSRfnHzzQB6U_IKkDgW1pkk=/130x0/v1.bTsxMzAxOTkzMjtqOzE4MTk1OzEyMDA7MTY4ODsyNTAw
John Wick	90%	23-Aı	g https://resizing.flixster.com/O_CeZ0_x3j2jnw7dlU4GZE45Grg=/130x0/v1.bTsxMzAyNzExOTtqOzE4MTk1OzEyMDA7MzYwMDs1NTUw
Long Shot	81%	16-J	ıl https://resizing.flixster.com/-JUHHrJKNxwvPLg6g3oG_wuV6Wc=/130x0/v1.bTsxMzE1MDg4NDtqOzE4MTk3OzEyMDA7MjAwMDszMDAw
Hale Coun	97%	18-Ju	n https://resizing.flixster.com/gt4X968w0EEMqcRY_Xp2NGYyN34=/130x0/v1.bTsxMjgzNzQ5NTtqOzE4MTkzOzEyMDA7Mzc4OzU1OQ

```
    from bs4 import BeautifulSoup

2. import csv
3. from selenium import webdriver
4.
5. # Create a file to write to, add headers row
6. f = csv.writer(open('Rt_rating.csv', 'w', newline='', encoding="utf-8"))
7. f.writerow(['Title', 'Metascore', 'Release_date', 'Image'])
8.
9. ####Use Selenium to open web browser
10. browser = webdriver.Chrome() #replace with .Firefox(), or with the browser of your choi
11. url = "https://www.rottentomatoes.com/browse/cf-dvd-streaming-all/"
12. browser.get(url) #navigate to page
14. #Get the script from the site
15. innerHTML = browser.execute script("return document.body.innerHTML")
16. # execute script to scroll down the page
17. browser.execute script("window.scrollTo(0, document.body.scrollHeight); var lenOfPage=do
    cument.body.scrollHeight;return lenOfPage;")
18.
19. #Beautiful Soup
20. soup = BeautifulSoup(innerHTML, 'html.parser')
21. last links = soup.find all("div", attrs={"class":'mb-movie'})
22. number of movies = len(last links)
23. number_of_movies
24.
25. for i in range(0, number of movies):
        Image =last_links[i].div.a.img.get('src')
        Title =last_links[i].find("div", attrs={"class":"movie_info"}).h3.string
27.
        Metascore =last_links[i].find("span", class_="tMeterScore").get_text(" ", strip=Tr
   ue)
29.
        Release_date = last_links[i].find("p",class_="release-date").get_text(" ")[11:]
        print(Release date)
        f.writerow([Title,Metascore,Release date,Image])
32. del f
33.
34. browser.close()
```

Once we have the image links, we can download from them with the same function as we use for joblo.com. We just need to change how we want to save our image files. The code below shows how to download images and save them to the specified directory.

```
1. #Define the name of directory
2. f_name = "Rottentomato"
3.
4. # Create the directory name where the images will be saved
5. base_dir = os.getcwd()
6. dir_name = (f_name.split('/')[-1]).split('.')[0]
```

```
7. dir_name
8. dir_path = os.path.join(base_dir, dir_name)
9.
10. #Create the directory if already not there
11. if not os.path.exists(dir_path):
12.
       os.mkdir(dir_path)
13.
14. # Read the csv with links to all the image pages
15. os.getcwd()
16. df = pd.read csv("Rottentomato rating.csv")
17. df.columns
18. links=df.Image
20. # Function to take an image url and save the image in the given directory
21. def download image(url,image number):
22.
       print("[INFO] downloading {}".format(url))
23.
       name = f"Pic_{image_number}.jpg" #File name that will be saved
24.
       try:
           opener=urllib.request.build_opener()
25.
           opener.addheaders=[('User-
   Agent', 'Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 6.1; WOW64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chro
   me/36.0.1941.0 Safari/537.36')]
27.
        urllib.request.install_opener(opener)
           urllib.request.urlretrieve(url,os.path.join(dir_path, name))
28.
       except Exception as error:
30.
           print ("[~] Error Occured with %s : %s" % (name, error))
31.
32. # Print the number of images
33. print ("[INFO] Downloading {} images".format(len(links)))
34. #Download ALL image in URL links list
35. for i in links:
       print (j)
37. download_image(i,j)
38.
       j+=1
```

Boxofficemojo.com

In this website, we extract movie news title, contents of the news and the date posted. The title and date are not difficult to get because it includes in the page shows below; however; to get the content for each news, it is a little bit harder. We need to click in the article links. The code below shows how to do that task. We first loop into every page to get every news article and in each page, we loop again to send another request to get the news content.



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'Frozen II' Delivers \$350 Million Global Debut

November 21, 2019 19:35 PST - By Brad Brevet - Box Office News

SUNDAY AM UPDATE: Disney's Frozen II delivered a monster debut, bringing in an estimated \$127 million domestically, which serves as the largest animated opening ever outside the summer corridor and a record animated opening for the month of November. In fact, the performance is the fifth largest November opening of all-time, topping the \$125 million opening for Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part

'Ford v Ferrari' Races to #1 While 'Joker' Becomes First R-Rated Film to Ever Top \$1 Billion Globally

November 17, 2019 9:23 PST - By Brad Brevet - Box Office News

Fox's Ford v Ferrari more than lived up to the most aggressive of pre-weekend expectations, delivering a #1 performance at the domestic weekend box office. However, Sony's Charlie's Angels struggled mightily in its debut, failing to reach the lowest of expectations, which means the film's third place finish puts the weekend's overall performance into perspective. In better news, WB's Joker became the fourth DC Comics

'Ford v Ferrari' Racing Toward \$30 Million Debut, 'Charlie's Angels' Far from Heavenly

```
1. # Create a file to write to, add headers row
2. f = csv.writer(open('Boxofficemojo news.csv', 'w', newline='', encoding="utf-8"))
3. f.writerow(['Date','Article','Content'])
4.
5.
6. pages = []
7.
  for i in range(1, 56):
8.
       url = 'https://www.boxofficemojo.com/news/?view=&page=' + str(i) + '&p=.htm'
9.
       pages.append(url)
10.
11. for item in pages:
12.
       page = requests.get(item)
13.
       # Create a BeautifulSoup object
14.
       soup = BeautifulSoup(page.text, 'html.parser')
15.
       last_links = soup.find("td", attrs={"colspan": "3"})
16.
       last_links=last_links.find_all('tr')
17.
18.
       number_of_article = len(last_links)
19.
20.
       for i in range(1,number_of_article):
21.
22.
               Date= last_links[i].find_all("td")[0].string
23.
24.
               Article =str(last links[i].find all("td")[1].string)
25.
26.
                insidelink = last links[i].find all("td")[1].a.get('href')
27.
                insidelink = 'https://www.boxofficemojo.com'+insidelink
28.
                pageinside = requests.get(insidelink)
29.
                soupinside = BeautifulSoup(pageinside.text, 'html.parser')
30.
                soupinside = soupinside.find_all("p", attrs={"align":"justify"})
31.
                soupinside = BeautifulSoup(str(soupinside[0:-
   1]),'lxml').get_text(" ",strip=True).replace(" , ", " ").replace("[ " , "").replace(" ]
```

We also extract revenue information from this website. The code below shows how to achieve the task. The information we scraped are also shown in the table below.

Rank	Title	Studio	Vorldwide_revenu	Domestic_revenue	Domestic_revenue_percent	Oversea_revenue	Oversea_revenue_percent	Year
1	igers: Endg	BV	\$2,796.30	\$858.40	30.70%	\$1,937.90	69.30%	2019
2	Avatar	Fox	\$2,789.70	\$760.50	27.30%	\$2,029.20	72.70%	2009
3	Titanic	Par.	\$2,187.50	\$659.40	30.10%	\$1,528.10	69.90%	1997
4	: The Force	BV	\$2,068.20	\$936.70	45.30%	\$1,131.60	54.70%	2015

```
1. # Create a file to write to, add headers row
2. f = csv.writer(open('Boxofficemojo_revenue.csv', 'w', newline=''))
f.writerow(['Rank', 'Title', 'Studio', 'Worldwide_revenue', 'Domestic_revenue'
                ,'Domestic_revenue_percent','Oversea_revenue','Oversea_revenue_percent'
4.
5.
                ,'Year'])
6. pages = []
7. for i in range(1, 9):
8.
        url = 'https://www.boxofficemojo.com/alltime/world/?pagenum=' + str(i) + '.&p=.htm'
9.
        pages.append(url)
10.
11. for item in pages:
12.
        page = requests.get(item)
13.
        # Create a BeautifulSoup object
        soup = BeautifulSoup(page.text, 'html.parser')
14.
        last_links = soup.table.next_sibling.next_sibling.find_next('table')
15.
16.
        number_of_movie = len(last_links.find_all("tr"))
17.
18.
        for i in range(1,number_of_movie):
19.
20.
                Rank= last_links.find_all("tr")[i].find_all("td")[0].string
                Title =last_links.find_all("tr")[i].find_all("td")[1].string
21.
22.
                Studio = last_links.find_all("tr")[i].find_all("td")[2].string
23.
                Worldwide_revenue = last_links.find_all("tr")[i].find_all("td")[3].string
                Domestic revenue = last_links.find_all("tr")[i].find_all("td")[4].string
24.
25.
                Domestic_revenue_percent = last_links.find_all("tr")[i].find_all("td")[5].string
26.
                Oversea_revenue = last_links.find_all("tr")[i].find_all("td")[6].string
27.
                Oversea_revenue_percent = last_links.find_all("tr")[i].find_all("td")[7].string
28.
                Year = last_links.find_all("tr")[i].find_all("td")[8].string[0:4]# [0:4] is to remove
    "^" on some rows
29.
             print(Year)
30.
                f.writerow([Rank, Title,Studio,Worldwide_revenue,Domestic_revenue,Domestic_revenue_per
    cent,Oversea_revenue,Oversea_revenue_percent,Year])
32. del f
```

OMDB

This site allows us to send API request with the limit of 1,000 a day. It will take IMBD id to search for information. First, we need to have a list of IMDB ID. After we decide which movie

id we would like to find, we then create list of OMDB URL to send request to. The output in CSV file will be the information of the movie in json format.

```
IMDB_ID Info_json_form 
tt1000000 {'Title': 'Rocco Ravishes St. Petersburg', 'Year': '2007', 'Rated': 'X', 'Released': '16 Mar 2007', 'Runtime': '145 min', 'Genre': 'Adult', 'Director': 'Rocco Siffredi', 'Writer': 'Rocco S tt1000001 {'Title': 'Rough Crossings', 'Year': '2007', 'Rated': 'N/A', 'Released': '23 Mar 2007', 'Runtime': 'N/A', 'Genre': 'Drama', 'Director': 'Steve Condie', 'Writer': 'Simon Schama', 'Acto tt1000010 {'Title': 'Strap Attack 6', 'Year': '2007', 'Rated': 'N/A', 'Released': 'N/A', 'Runtime': 'N/A', 'Genre': 'Adult', 'Director': 'Joey Silvera', 'Writer': 'N/A', 'Actors': 'Christian, Jada Fire, tt1000017 {'Title': 'Torture Room', 'Year': '2007', 'Rated': 'N/A', 'Released': '20 Jul 2007', 'Runtime': '98 min', 'Genre': 'Thriller', 'Director': 'Eric Forsberg', 'Writer': 'Eric Forsberg', 'Actors'
```

```
1. import pandas as pd
2. import requests
from bs4 import BeautifulSoup
4. import csv
5. import json
6.
7. #Craete link for OMDB API Using imdb id
8. list imdbid='http://www.omdbapi.com/?i='+list imdbid+'&apikey=3e46a856'
9. list imdbid
10. list imdbid=list(list imdbid)
11. len(list imdbid)
12.
13. list imdbid[0][26:35]
14.
15. # Create a file to write to, add headers row
16. f = csv.writer(open('OMDB_api.csv', 'w', newline='' , encoding="utf-8"))
17. f.writerow(['IMDB_ID', 'Info_json_form'])
18.
19. for item in list_imdbid:
20.
       page = requests.get(item)
21.
       # Create a BeautifulSoup object
       soup = BeautifulSoup(page.text, 'html.parser')
22.
23.
        soup=str(soup) #Change to string
24.
       json_soup = json.loads(soup) #Change to JSON
25.
       IMDB_ID=item[26:35] # TO get id
26.
        print(IMDB ID)
27.
       f.writerow([IMDB ID, json soup])
28.
29.
30. del f
```

Scraping Top grossing movies of 2019 from the-numbers.com using Scrapy:

The task assigned was to collect top grossing movies in the year 2019. In order to achieve the task, we considered extracting information from the-numbers.com website. The data in tabular format can easily be extracted with scrapy. Links to scrape is given as an argument and scrapy gives you the response variable with all the information of the web page. The data from the web page can be accessed with xpath command of scrapy and tabular data can be obtained by using tr and td elements of the web page and can be parsed through easily in python as a list. The code for it is as follows:

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    import scrapy
    import csv
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import logging
4. import time
5. import csv
6. pages_length=0
7. class tutorial(scrapy.Spider):
       name='tutori'
8.
9.
       def start requests(self):
10.
           #links for the data to be scrapped
11.
12.
               'https://www.the-numbers.com/box-office-records/worldwide/all-
   movies/cumulative/released-in-2019'
13.
               ]
14.
           for url in urls:
15.
               #headers are changed to avoid getting 403 response
16.
               yield scrapy.Request(url=url, headers={'User-
   Agent': 'Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Geck
   o) Chrome/77.0.3865.90 Safari/537.36'}, callback=self.parse)
17.
       def parse(self, response):
18.
           global pages length
19.
           #iterating through multiple pages
20.
           pages_length=pages_length+1
21.
           data=[]
22.
           #response body of the table to be scraped
23.
           body=response.xpath("//tbody")
24.
           #iterating through each rows in the table
25.
           for row in body.xpath('.//tr'):
26.
                #taking each column values
27.
                columns=row.xpath(".//td")
28.
                #extracting movie name
                movie name=row.xpath(".//td[2]//b//a//text()").extract()
29.
30.
                row data=[]
31.
                #extracting other info related to the movie
32.
                for col in columns:
33.
                    each column=col.xpath('text()').extract()
34.
                    if len(each column)==1:
35.
                        row_data.append(each_column[0])
36.
37.
                        row_data.append('')
38.
                row_data[1]=movie_name[0]
39.
                #appending movie info to a list
                data.append(row data)
40.
41.
                #saving each row to a csv file
           with open('movie_data.csv', 'a',newline='',encoding="utf-8") as fd:
42.
43.
               writer = csv.writer(fd)
44.
                for rows in data:
45.
                    writer.writerow(rows)
                    #taking the next page data if exists
46.
47.
           next page=response.xpath('//div[@class="pagination"]//a//@href').extract()
48.
           if len(next_page)>0 and len(next_page)!=pages_length:
49.
                next_page='https://www.the-numbers.com'+next_page[pages_length]
50.
               yield response.follow(next_page,headers={'User-
   Agent': 'Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Geck
   o) Chrome/77.0.3865.90 Safari/537.36'}, callback=self.parse,dont_filter=True)
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Scraping top grossing production houses from the-numbers site using Scrapy:

The task assigned was to collect top grossing production houses for year 2019. In order to achieve the task, we considered extracting information from the-numbers.com website. The data in tabular format can easily be extracted with scrapy. Links to scrape is given as an argument and scrapy gives you the response variable with all the information of the web page. The data from the web page can be accessed with xpath command of scrapy and tabular data can be obtained by using tr and td elements of the web page and can be parsed through easily in python as a list. The code for it is as follows:

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    import scrapy

2. import csv
3. import logging
4. import time
5. import csv
6. class tutorial(scrapy.Spider):
7.
       name='tutori
8.
       def start requests(self):
            #links for the data to be scrapped
9.
10.
11.
               'https://www.the-numbers.com/movies/production-companies/'
12.
            for url in urls:
13.
14.
                #headers are changed to avoid getting 403 response
                yield scrapy.Request(url=url, headers={'User-
15.
   Agent': 'Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Geck
   o) Chrome/77.0.3865.90 Safari/537.36'}, callback=self.parse)
       def parse(self, response):
16.
17.
            data=[]
18.
            #response body of the table to be scraped
19.
            body=response.xpath("//tbody")
20.
            #iterating through each rows in the table
            for row in body.xpath('.//tr'):
21.
22.
                #taking each column values
23.
                columns=row.xpath(".//td")
24.
                #extracting Production name
25.
                production_name=row.xpath(".//td[1]//b//a//text()").extract()
26.
                row data=[]
27.
                #extracting other info related to the Production company
28.
                for col in columns:
29.
                    each column=col.xpath('text()').extract()
30.
                    if len(each column)==1:
31.
                        row data.append(each column[0])
32.
33.
                        row data.append('')
34.
                row_data[0]=production_name[0]
35.
                #appending production info to a list
36.
                data.append(row_data)
37.
                #saving each row to a csv file
            with open('production_data.csv', 'a',newline='',encoding="utf-8") as fd:
38.
39.
                writer = csv.writer(fd)
40.
                for rows in data:
41.
                    writer.writerow(rows)
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Collecting movie data from IMDB website

Subsets of IMDb data are available for access to customers for personal and noncommercial use

Data Location

The dataset files can be accessed and downloaded from https://datasets.imdbws.com/. The data is refreshed daily.

IMDb Dataset Details

Each dataset is contained in a gzipped, tab-separated-values (TSV) formatted file in the UTF-8 character set. The first line in each file contains headers that describe what is in each column. A '\N' is used to denote that a particular field is missing or null for that title/name. The available datasets are as follows:

title.akas.tsv.gz - Contains the following information for titles:

- titleId (string) a tconst, an alphanumeric unique identifier of the title
- ordering (integer) a number to uniquely identify rows for a given titleId
- title (string) the localized title
- region (string) the region for this version of the title
- language (string) the language of the title
- types (array) Enumerated set of attributes for this alternative title. One or more of the following: "alternative", "dvd", "festival", "tv", "video", "working", "original", "imdbDisplay". New values may be added in the future without warning
- attributes (array) Additional terms to describe this alternative title, not enumerated
- isOriginalTitle (boolean) 0: not original title; 1: original title

title.basics.tsv.gz - Contains the following information for titles:

- tconst (string) alphanumeric unique identifier of the title
- titleType (string) the type/format of the title (e.g. movie, short, tvseries, tvepisode, video, etc)
- primaryTitle (string) the more popular title / the title used by the filmmakers on promotional materials at the point of release
- originalTitle (string) original title, in the original language
- isAdult (boolean) 0: non-adult title; 1: adult title
- startYear (YYYY) represents the release year of a title. In the case of TV Series, it is the series start year

- endYear (YYYY) TV Series end year. '\N' for all other title types
- runtimeMinutes primary runtime of the title, in minutes
- genres (string array) includes up to three genres associated with the title
 title.crew.tsv.gz Contains the director and writer information for all the titles in IMDb.
 Fields include:
- tconst (string) alphanumeric unique identifier of the title
- directors (array of nconsts) director(s) of the given title
- writers (array of nconsts) writer(s) of the given title
 title.episode.tsv.gz Contains the tv episode information. Fields include:
- tconst (string) alphanumeric identifier of episode
- parentTconst (string) alphanumeric identifier of the parent TV Series
- seasonNumber (integer) season number the episode belongs to
- episodeNumber (integer) episode number of the tconst in the TV series
 title.principals.tsv.gz Contains the principal cast/crew for titles
- tconst (string) alphanumeric unique identifier of the title
- ordering (integer) a number to uniquely identify rows for a given titleId
- nconst (string) alphanumeric unique identifier of the name/person
- category (string) the category of job that person was in
- job (string) the specific job title if applicable, else '\N'
- characters (string) the name of the character played if applicable, else '\N'
 title.ratings.tsv.gz Contains the IMDb rating and votes information for titles
- tconst (string) alphanumeric unique identifier of the title
- averageRating weighted average of all the individual user ratings
- numVotes number of votes the title has received
 name.basics.tsv.gz Contains the following information for names:
- nconst (string) alphanumeric unique identifier of the name/person
- primaryName (string) name by which the person is most often credited
- birthYear in YYYY format
- deathYear in YYYY format if applicable, else '\N'
- primaryProfession (array of strings) the top-3 professions of the person
- knownForTitles (array of tconsts) titles the person is known for

Conclusion

Web Scraping is the technique that is widely used by researchers to collect the data from websites. Many python libraries are built to achieve this task. Scrapy is powerful and fast but need some learning curve at the beginning. Beautiful soup is easier set up. Selenium is useful for javascript-content website. The next step we would like to suggest is to use Scrapy combined with Splash to scrape javascript-content website. This could be faster than using Selenium.