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WORKSHOP ON

WEB SCRAPING

Date & Time: 4th February 2020 (4.30 - 6.00 PM)



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Web Scraping (also termed Screen Scraping, Web Data Extraction, Web Harvesting etc.) is a technique employed to extract large amounts of data from websites whereby the data is extracted and saved to a local file in your computer or to a database in table (spreadsheet) format.

Data displayed by most websites can only be viewed using a web browser. They do not offer the functionality to save a copy of this data for personal use. The only option then is to manually copy and paste the data - a very tedious job which can take many hours or sometimes days to complete. Web Scraping is the technique of automating this process, so that instead of

manually copying the data from websites, the Web Scraping software will perform the same task within a fraction of the time.

A web scraping software will automatically load and extract data from multiple pages of websites based on your requirement. It is either custom built for a specific website or is one which can be configured to work with any website. With the click of a button you can easily save the data available in the website to a file in your computer.

The problem with most generic web scraping software is that they are very difficult to setup and use. There is a steep learning curve involved. WebHarvy was designed to solve this problem. With a very intuitive, point and click interface, using WebHarvy you can start extracting data within minutes from any website.

Please watch the following demonstration which shows how easy it is to configure and use WebHarvy for your data extraction needs.

In this section, you will learn

- about how to store scraped data in databases
- how to process HTML documents and HTTP requests
- techniques for selecting and extracting data from websites
- about writing web spiders that crawl and scrape large portions of the web

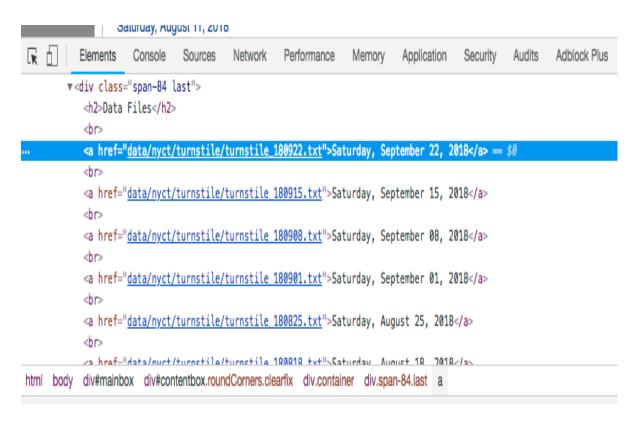
Web scraping is a technique to automatically access and extract large amounts of information from a website, which can save a huge amount of time and effort. In this article, we will go through an easy example of how to automate downloading hundreds of files from the New York MTA. This is a great exercise for web scraping beginners who are looking to understand how to

web scrape. Web scraping can be slightly intimidating, so this tutorial will break down the process of how to go about the process.

Important notes about web scraping:

Read through the website's Terms and Conditions to understand how you can legally use the data. Most sites prohibit you from using the data for commercial purposes.

Make sure you are not downloading data at too rapid a rate because this may break the website. You may potentially be blocked from the site as well.



If you click on this arrow and then click on an area of the site itself, the code for that particular item will be highlighted in the console. I've clicked on the very first data file, Saturday, September 22, 2018 and the console has highlighted in blue the link to that particular file.

This code saves 'data/nyct/turnstile_180922.txt' to our variable link. The full url to download the data is actually 'http://web.mta.info/developers/data/nyct/turnstile_180922.txt' which I discovered by clicking on the first data file on the website as a test. We can use our urllib.request library to download this file path to our computer. We provide request.urlretrieve with two parameters: file url and the filename. For my files, I named them "turnstile_180922.txt", "turnstile_180901", etc.

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 <a href="http://web.mta.info/mta/boardmaterials.html">Board Materials</a>,
 <a href="http://web.mta.info/mta/budget/">Budget Info</a>
 <a href="http://web.mta.info/capital">Capital Program Info</a>,
 <a href="http://web.mta.info/capitaldashboard/CPDHome.html">Capital Program Dashboard</
a>,
 <a href="http://web.mta.info/mta/investor/">Investor Information</a>,
 <a href="http://web.mta.info/mta/leadership/">MTA Leadership</a>
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 <a href="http://web.mta.info/mta/news/hearings">Public Hearings</a>
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