8. LIBRARY

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- not so clear how to do it
- legality? free?
- where on internet?

```
# bash script
for ((a=number; a <= limit ; a++))
do
  wget https://www.gutenberg.org/ebooks/${a}.txt.utf-8
done
```

What we did:
- free books: **www.gutenberg.org**
- **'.txt'** (ASCII) format (or convert PDF/e-book to '.txt')
- no mass download -> script for automatic download -> **wget**
- script works for ~12 books
- afterwards: CAPTCHA + 24-hour ban from site
- total books: 130 (enough for testing)
- only fiction books? No.

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- how many fiction books exist?
- USB stick memory -> typical 128 GB or 256 GB max

We estimate:
- book = 500 pages
- page = 40 rows x 60 chars = 2400 bytes (1 char = 1 byte)
- book total = 1.14 MB
- approx. 1 MB/book

- compressing (zipping) text -> ratio ~ 3:1

- total: *0.3 MB per zipped book*

**768 000 zipped books
on
256 GB USB stick**

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  newbooks.py   - reads '.txt' books and populate indexes
  searchbooks.py - search index for books (not discussed)

- python language, 2.7 (Linux, debian)
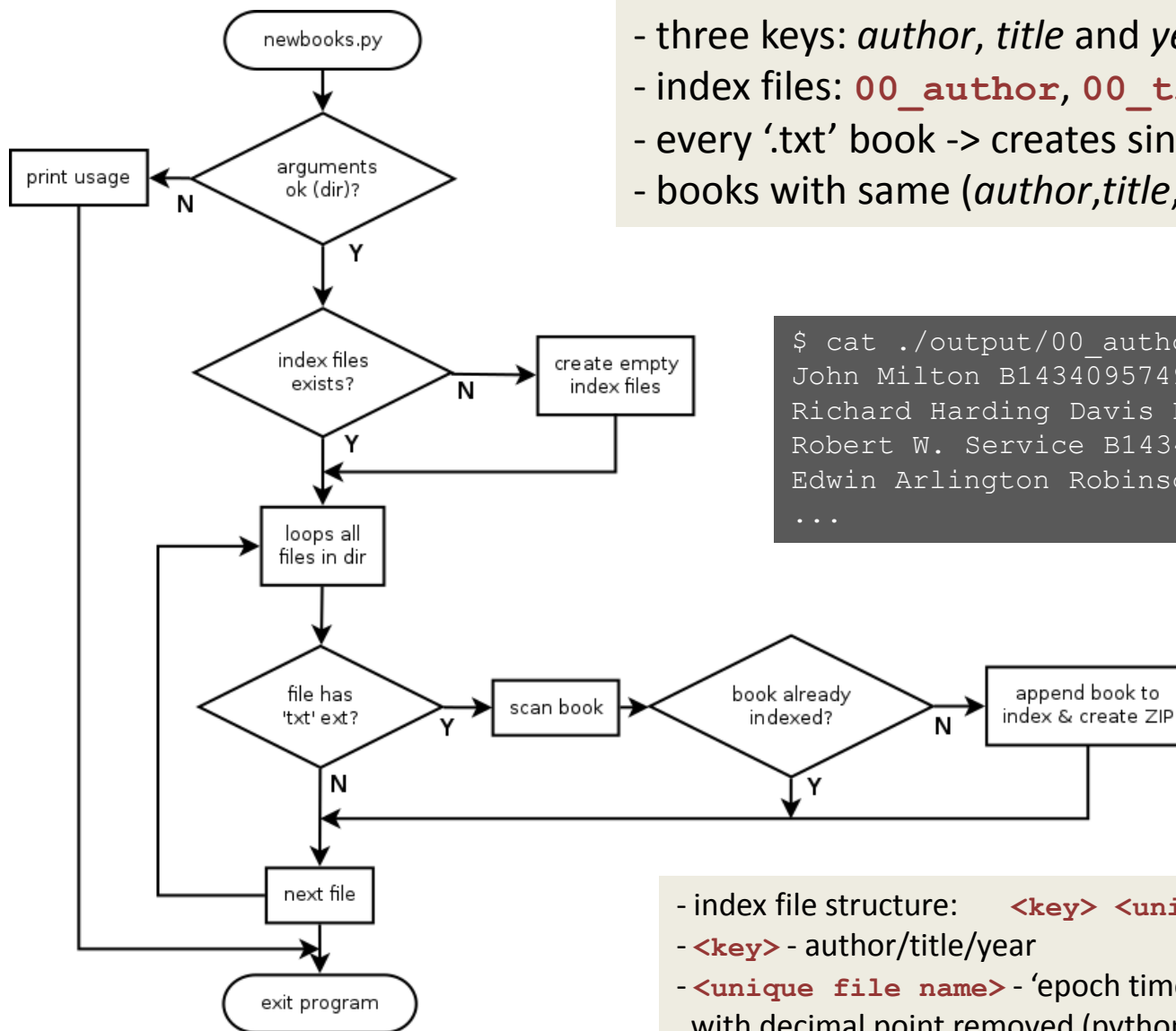- directory layout:

```
$ tree -d . # lists subdirs
.               # .py programs
├── input1      # downladed .txt books (anywhere)
├── input2      # downladed .txt books (anywhere)
└── output      # index (00_author, 00_title, 00_year)
                # and ZIP files
```

We assume, each book has:
- unique fields/keys **author**, **title** and **year** in every '.txt' file
- easily discernible fields **author**, **title** and **year** in every '.txt' file

`newbooks.py`

- three keys: *author*, *title* and *year*
- index files: `00_author`, `00_title` and `00_year`
- every '.txt' book -> creates single ZIP file (no duplicate!)
- books with same (*author*,*title*,*year*) -> identical books

```
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John Milton B1434095749323087.zip
Richard Harding Davis B1434095749380269.zip
Robert W. Service B1434095749454332.zip
Edwin Arlington Robinson B1434095749469361.zip
...
```

- index file structure: `<key> <unique file name>.zip`
- `<key>` - author/title/year
- `<unique file name>` - 'epoch time' in seconds (0.001 ms resolution)
  with decimal point removed (python function `time.time()`)

Example of program run:

```
$ python newbooks.py ./input/
<...cut...>
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        Title:  The Bible in Spain
        Year:   January, 1996  [EBook #415]
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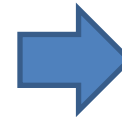
SOME STATISTICS

Memory:

- 130 ASCII books = 67 MB → 1 book ~ 0.5 MB
- 130 ZIP books   = 25 MB → 1 ZIP book ~ 0.2 MB
- similar to our initial estimate (0.3 MB per ziped book)

Speed:

- adding 130 books ~ 3.8 sec
- adding 130 duplicate books ~ 0.008 sec
- for 768 000 books (256 GB USB): ~ 22500 sec = 6.25 h

Yes, this ambition is realistic!

(SPECS: 64 bit processor, 2.8 GHz, SSD)

CONCLUSION

- One could collect (download) large number of '.txt' books, and index them and store as compressed files on USB stick
- Number of books ~ 768 000 (256 GB USB)
- Simple python programs for indexing and compressing (ZIP)
- Required time: approx 6 hours
- ***This ambition is realistic***

Open questions:
- how many fiction books really exist?
- where to find all books?
- total download time (for almost TB of data)?
- '.txt' format -> we can convert PDF/e-book to ASCII
- extracting key fields (author/title/year) from '.txt' book?

References:
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Free books – https://www.gutenberg.org/
USB stick – https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/USB_flash_drive

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```
$ python searchindex.py
This program will search index for books by one or more keys.
Usage:
        searchindex.py -t TITLE | -a AUTHOR | -y YEAR

If search term contains space, put it in double quotes.
Multiple search conditions (keys) are possible, e.g.:
        searchindex.py -t title -a author -y 1982
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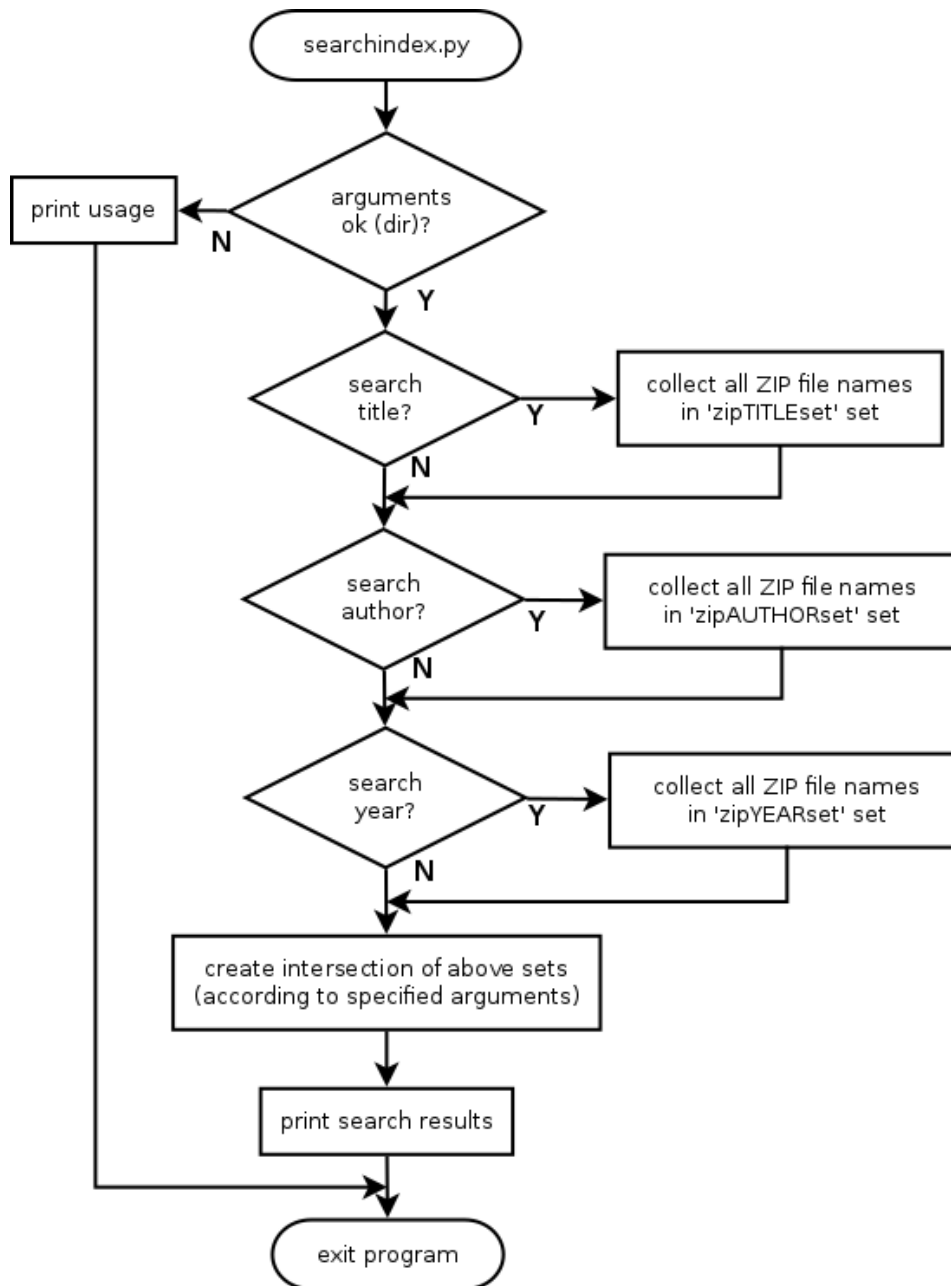
Note:
- searches index files **00_author**, **00_title** and **00_year**
- single book has unique ZIP filename
- uses 'set' python language construct with set *union* and set *intersect*,
  for multi-key search
- case sensitive search
- outputs list of ZIP files

Improvement:
- case insensitive search
- more identical keys -> **-t "War and Peace" -t "Part 2"**
- search by first/last name
- more keys? (number of pages, ISBN/ISSN, ...)

```
$ python searchindex.py -a am
We found 11 books:
        ...
        B1434095752996569.zip
        B1434388539853344.zip
        B1434388539095902.zip
        B1434388539021432.zip
        B1434095749934556.zip
        ...
$ python searchindex.py -y 1991
We found 7 books:
        ...
        B1434095752856314.zip
        B1434095752996569.zip
        B1434095751078819.zip
        B1434095749934556.zip
$ python searchindex.py -a am -y 1991
We found 2 books:
        B1434095752996569.zip
        B1434095749934556.zip
```

```
#<...cut...>
Xtitle = Xauthor = Xyear = False
zipset = set()
if '-t' in sys.argv:
    # search for title
    Xtitle = sys.argv[ sys.argv.index('-t')+1 ]
    ziptitleset = set(findtitle(Xtitle))
    zipset = zipset | ziptitleset
if '-a' in sys.argv:
    # search for author
    Xauthor = sys.argv[ sys.argv.index('-a')+1 ]
    zipauthorset = set(findauthor(Xauthor))
    zipset = zipset | zipauthorset
if '-y' in sys.argv:
    # search for year
    Xyear = sys.argv[ sys.argv.index('-y')+1 ]
    zipyearset = set(findyear(Xyear))
    zipset = zipset | zipyearset

if Xtitle:
    zipset = zipset & ziptitleset
if Xauthor:
    zipset = zipset & zipauthorset
if Xyear:
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#<...cut...>
```

Assumptions and requirements:
- programming language: python 2.7.10 (Linux, Debian)
- books are in '.txt' (ASCII) format -> not really a problem (PDF->ASCII, ...)
- has unique fields/keys `author`, `title` and `year` in every '.txt' file
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- has easily discernible fields `author`, `title` and `year` in every '.txt' file
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- 130 '.txt' books *downloaded* from `www.gutenberg.org`

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where DIR is directory with '.txt' books
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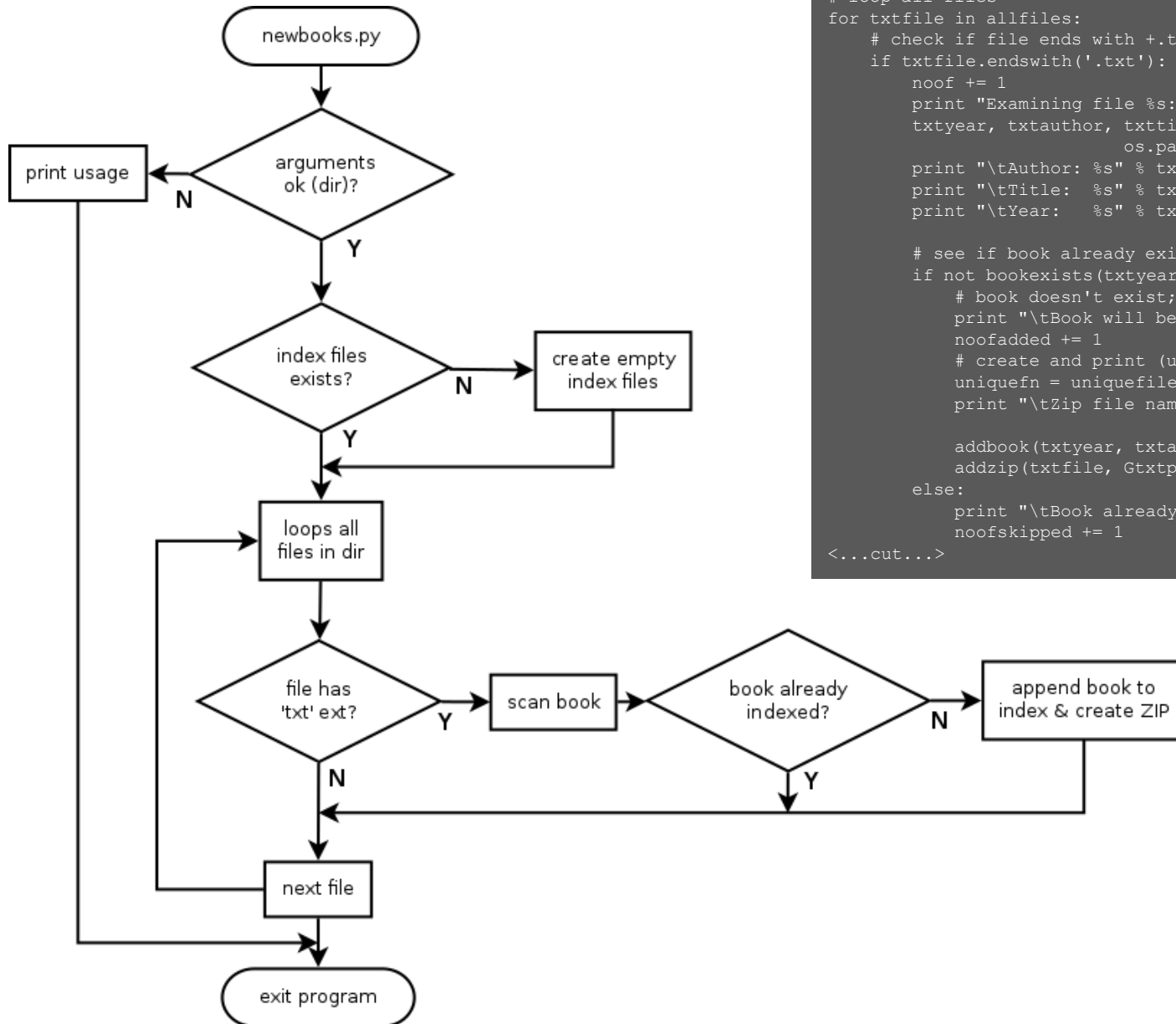
Note:

- output into 3 ASCII files (indexes): `00_author`, `00_title` and `00_year`
  (into directory `./output/`)
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# loop all files
for txtfile in allfiles:
    # check if file ends with +.txt'
    if txtfile.endswith('.txt'):
        noof += 1
        print "Examining file %s:" % txtfile
        txtyear, txtauthor, txttitle = discover(
                            os.path.join(Gtxtpath, txtfile))
        print "\tAuthor: %s" % txtauthor
        print "\tTitle:  %s" % txttitle
        print "\tYear:   %s" % txtyear

        # see if book already exists in index
        if not bookexists(txtyear, txtauthor, txttitle):
            # book doesn't exist; index book and create zip
            print "\tBook will be added to index."
            noofadded += 1
            # create and print (unique) file name
            uniquefn = uniquefilename(Gindexpath)
            print "\tZip file name: %s" % uniquefn

            addbook(txtyear, txtauthor, txttitle, uniquefn)
            addzip(txtfile, Gtxtpath, uniquefn)
        else:
            print "\tBook already exists."
            noofskipped += 1
<...cut...>
```