

Submission for Project 2

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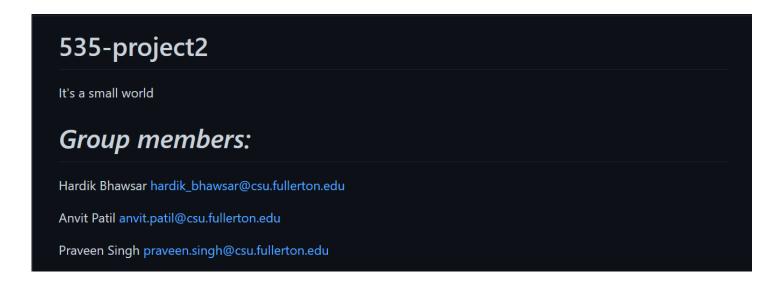


Fig 1: README.md with a list of group members

Summary:

The given project is the spin-off of the popular game "Six Degrees of Kevin Bacon" The Six Degrees of Kevin Bacon game is based upon the concept of six degrees of separation. This concept states that any two people on earth can be linked together through six or less acquaintances. For the Kevin Bacon game, the challenge is to find the shortest path possible between Kevin Bacon and another actor. Similarly, this project suggests us to find the shortest connection between the cast of two movies. The shortest connection can be either 1, 2, or greater than 2 or may be no connection at all. We assume that the name of each actor is a string, thus a cast is a set of strings, ordered in alphabetical order. But it does not matter whether they are listed alphabetically or not, but for simplicity, let's list them in alphabetical order.

The input will be a positive integer n > 2, and a list of n casts from which the first two sets are more significant, CAST[0] and CAST[1]. If the two casts CAST[0] and CAST[1] have at least one string in common, then the shortest



connection is 1. If the two casts CAST[0] and CAST[1] do not have any string in common, then look for another cast in the list of n casts, let's called it tempCast, such that CAST[0] and tempCast have a string in common, and CAST[1] and tempCast have a string common, then the shortest connection is 2. Else the shortest connection is greater than 2 or there is no connection.

Technologies and tools

Python

For this project we will be using python as it is a highly portable language, with rich function library. Moreover, it is a powerful, fast and an efficient language making it a first-rate alternative for real-time mathematical simulations like these.

Python Library:

For using the richness of the python library we have used two most useful library which are helpful when dealing with data.

<u>Pandas</u> - pandas is a fast, powerful, flexible and easy to use open-source data analysis and manipulation tool, built on top of the Python programming language.

NumPy - The fundamental package for scientific computing with Python

Pseudocode:

//Checking .csv file existence

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Try:

myfile = pd.read_csv("example3.csv") // Reading CSV with the help of pandas
print("Reading "+file_name+" .....")
except OSError:
print("File not found !!") // File not found, Exiting the code
sys.exit()
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//Data Cleaning (removing the nan values)



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for files in myfile:
    if str(files) != "nan":
        castList.append(myfile[files].tolist())
cleanedCast = [list(filter(lambda x:x == x, y)) for y in castList
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#if connection = 1 checking in cast0 and cast1

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flag = 0
for each_cast in cleanedCast[0]:
    for each_cast1 in cleanedCast[1]:
        if each_cast == each_cast1:
            print("Shortest Connection = 1, Actor = ",each_cast )
            flag = 1
```

#If there is no connection = 1 then this loop exists and checks for conneciton = 2

#if connection>2 or no connection

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if flag == 0:
    print("Connection > 2 or no connection.")
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Implementation:

```
import pandas as pd
import numpy as np
import sys
castList = []
cleanedCast = []
file_name = "example1.csv"
#reading the csv file having cast data
   myfile = pd.read_csv("example3.csv")
   print("Reading "+file_name+" .....")
except OSError:
   print("File not found !!")
   sys.exit()
#Data cleaning (removing nan values)
for files in myfile:
   if str(files) != "nan":
       castList.append(myfile[files].tolist())
cleanedCast = [list(filter(lambda x:x == x, y)) for y in castList]
print(cleanedCast)
cast0 = cleanedCast[0]
cast1 = cleanedCast[1]
#if connection = 1 checking in cast0 and cast1
for each_cast in cleanedCast[0]:
   for each_cast1 in cleanedCast[1]:
       if each_cast == each_cast1:
          print("Shortest Connection = 1, Actor = ",each_cast )
           flag = 1
#If there is no connection = 1 then this loop exists and checks for conneciton = 2
if flag == 0:
   for each cast in cast0:
       for i in range(0, len(cleanedCast)):
           for j in cleanedCast[i]:
              if each cast in cleanedCast[i]:
                  for each cast1 in cast1:
                     if each cast1 == j:
                         print("Shortest Connection = 2, Cast = ", cleanedCast[i])
if flag == 0:
   print("Connection > 2 or no connection.")
```



Working:

Use case 1 (Shortest Connection = 1)

Use case 2 (Shortest Connection = 2)

<u>Use case 3 (Shortest Connection > 2 or no connection)</u>

Reference

[1] CPSC 535 Fall 2022 Project 2

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1XVFwlpOSkLcjsKFDcEDkFegZcOw7vjPb75fA3XyTbEI/edit