Individual assignment – Trains

Background

- 1. Two CSV-files are given which are to be construed into a simulation of trains moving through a fictive train network with a given probability.
- 2. See if it's possible to go from given point "X" to "Y" withing "n" time units in the given CSV-file.

Method

Structuring data

At first, I had to reform the data in the CSV-files into a way that I could easily manipulate to get the result. Most of the time was spend on <u>how</u> I should structure the program, rather than solving the different problems. I try to give a short visual overview in figure 1 of the thought process.

I used the following modules:

- Itertools (permutations and combinations)
- Random

Walkthrough Task 1

1a. First, the program asks the user for the two CSV-files (train network and probability) and the number of trains to simulate.

1b. The program sees if the files exist and if the number of trains given by the user is only numbers.

2a. To more easily use the data provided by the user, I restructured it. All the restructuring of data is put under one class. Note: It's unclear in the instructions if the delay occurs traveling to or from the station, or if the probability is additive. I assume it's whilst traveling from the station.

- Probability:
 - Returns a dictionary of probability:
 - {"A":0.01, "B":0.2}
- Train stations:
 - o Returns a dictionary of train stations:
 - {"green": ["A", "B"]}

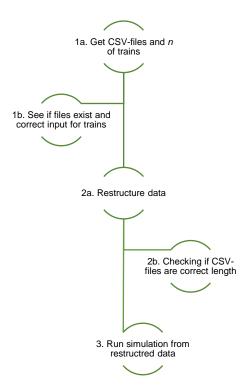


Figure 1

- The code discriminates between South and North in the CSV-file, e.g: train_stations =
 {"green": ["A", "B"]}, then train_stations["green"][0] is the most <u>Northern</u> station
 whilst train_stations["green"][-1] is the most <u>Southern</u> station. This is true for no
 matter how many stations.
- Trains:
 - Returns a dictionary of trains, e.g: {1: ['blue', 'C', 'S']}
 Key == train number, Value [0] == Line, Value [1] == Current station, Value [2] == Direction of travel.
- 2b. class Initializing_train_simulator. The program checks if the CSV-files are correct lengthwise.
- 3. class simulation.

A while loop with options that controls for input.

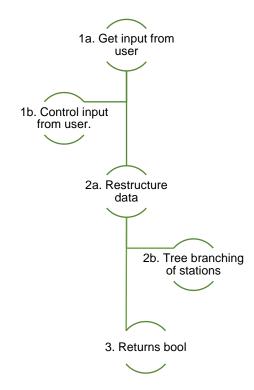
Walkthrough Task 2

- 1a. Gather input from user
 - Start station, end station and number of jumps
- 1b. Control user input is correct
 - Checks if stations exist
 - Checks if a number is given as "number of jumps
- 2a. Convert train stations as to a set, e.g: {"A", "B", "C"}
- 2b. Method that look for connecting stations and continuously checks with another method if the start and end station is connected.

If the stations are on the same line, no branching occurs, else:

path = continuously trying all the ways the train could travel by using branching.

3. Returns Boolean answer, if it's possible to travel between given stations within the given number of jumps.



Testing

Testing was done by:

- CSV-file with different travel direction (N/S)
- Wrong length of CSV files
- Different station systems and lengths
- Wrong input of stations, number of trains, number of jumps
- Wrong name of CSV-file

It's hard to calculate for EVERY wrong input available. But I feel like I got the most common ones. I did NOT check if the CSV-file contains correct information.

Discussion

Optimization versus readability

The focus of the code has been readability and not optimization of run-time of different blocks. I've tried to:

- 1. Keep each method/function maximum of one page
- 2. Maximum 100 lines of code

I've tried using large CSV-files for testing with 1000's of trains. But it runs flawlessly on my computer.

What to improve

The use of classes is subpar at best. I'm not comfortable enough to fully utilize classes with constructors, inheritance, polymorphism, instance attributes and so on. If I would have to improve anything, it would be the structuring of the different methods in the classes and the classes themselves.

Test files:

Feel free to manipulate to your will whilst testing. If you're uncertain how to manipulate the CSV-

files, please read up on the INDU-assign for "Trains". Remember to keep the files in the same directory as the program:
Connections:
A,B,blue,S
B,C,blue,S
C,D,blue,S
X,Y,green,S
Y,C,green,S
C,Z,green,S
Probability:

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A,0.001
B,0.001
C,0.2
D,0.001
X,0.1
Y,0.1
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Code:

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import random
stations structured[stations[2]].append(stations[1])
                    if stations[3][0].upper() == "S":
                    elif stations[3][0].upper() == "N":
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def get trains(self, stations):
        :param stations: Uses method "structure stations" as a base
random.choice(direction)]
    def get_probability(self):
        return probability structured
        :return: Returns information about requested train number
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:param probability: Dictionary of delay whilst traveling, e.g
        :return: Trains at their next stop
float(probability[information[1]]):
stations[information[0]][stations[information[0]].index(information[1]) +
                    trains[train number].pop()
float(probability[information[1]]):
stations[information[0]][stations[information[0]].index(information[1]) -
                    trains[train number].pop()
                    trains[train number].append("Delayed")
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:return: Set of stations in the CSV-file given
        :param start station: Station user put in to travel from
        :param end station: Station user put in to travel to
        :param lines: Train lines as a list within a list of all lines, e.g
        for station, line in lines.items():
        :param start_station: Start station provided by the user
        :param end station: End station provided by the user
        :param lines: Train stations as a dictionary
                for steps in permutations(i step):
full path[1:]):
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possible route *= valid[0]
                           travel solution.append(valid[1])
         :param start station: Start station put in by user
         :param end station: End station put in by user
         :param train_stations: Dictionary of train stations
:return: True if it's possible to travel between stations, False if
    def train mapping(self, stations):
         start station, end station = start station.upper(),
end station.upper()
        if not n stations.isnumeric():
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stations, n stations):
        :param stations: Dictionary of stations e.g {green : ["A", "B"]}
        :param trains: Dictionary of trains current station e.g {1 :
                trains = train simulation.traveling(stations, trains,
probability)
                print(train map.train mapping(stations))
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train_n = input("Enter the amount of trains you want to simulate, e.g
'3'\n")

# Checking if number of trains is correct put in
    if not train_n.isnumeric():
        raise ValueError("Please write numbers only.")

# Seeing if input text files exist
    try:
        initiate_input =
Initializing_train_simulator(connections,probability,int(train_n))
        # Structuring CSV-files and getting amount of trains
        stations_structured = initiate_input.structure_stations()
        trains = initiate_input.get_trains(stations_structured)
        probability_structured = initiate_input.get_probability()

# Running simulation
        train_simulation = Simulation()
        train_simulation.simulating_trains(stations_structured, trains,
probability_structured)
    except FileNotFoundError:
        print("Please check your input files.")
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