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1 package blockchaintask;
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3 import java.nio.charset.StandardCharsets;
4 import java.security.MessageDigest;
5 import java.security.NoSuchAlgorithmException;
6 import java.sql.Timestamp;
7 import java.util.ArrayList;
8 import java.util.Scanner;
9
10 /**
11  * class BlockChain
12  * The class is used to create a chain of blocks
13  * To see how chain gets corrupted, validate a chain
14  * and to repair a chain
15  * We also check the time a particular function takes
16  * on the chain
17  */
18 public class BlockChain {
19     ArrayList<Block> blocks;
20     private String chainHash;
21     int hashesPerSecond;
22     private String errorMessage = "";
23
24     /**
25      * Constructor BlockChain()
26      * The constructor is used to initialize the list
27      * of blocks that will be connected to one another
28      * The hash of the latest block and the hashes
29      * per second when there are 1 million hashes being
30      * computed
31      */
32     BlockChain()
33     {
34         this.blocks = new ArrayList<>();
35         this.chainHash = "";
36         this.hashesPerSecond = 0;
37     }
38
39     /**
40      * function getTime
41      * The get time function is used to get the
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36 current time in milliseconds
37     * @return timestamp (time)
38     */
39     public Timestamp getTime()
40     {
41         return new Timestamp(System.currentTimeMillis
42         ());
43     }
44     /**
45     * function getLatestBlock
46     * the function is used to get the latest block
47     * of the chain. Recently added
48     * @return
49     */
49     public Block getLatestBlock()
50     {
51         return blocks.get(blocks.size() - 1);
52     }
53     /**
54     * function getChainSize
55     * The function gets the size of the blockchain
56     * @return
57     */
58     public int getChainSize()
59     {
60         return blocks.size();
61     }
62     /**
63     * function computeHashesPerSecond
64     * The function is used the compute 1 million
65     * hashes and check how many hashes the system can
66     * compute in one second
67     * @throws NoSuchAlgorithmException
68     */
69     public void computeHashesPerSecond() throws
70     NoSuchAlgorithmException {
71         Timestamp startTime = getTime();
72         String hash = "00000000";

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72         for(int i = 0; i < 1000000; i++) {
73             MessageDigest digest;
74             digest = MessageDigest.getInstance("SHA-
256");
75             //encoding with SHA-256
76             byte[] encodedhash = digest.digest(
77                 hash.getBytes(StandardCharsets.
UTF_8));
78         }
79         Timestamp endTime = getTime();
80         long totalTime = endTime.getTime() -
startTime.getTime();
81         this.hashesPerSecond = (int) ((1000000*1000
)/totalTime);
82     }
83
84     /**
85      * function get hashesPerSecond
86      * return the hashes per second to display to
the user
87      * @return hashes per second
88      */
89     public int getHashesPerSecond()
90     {
91         return hashesPerSecond;
92     }
93
94     /**
95      * function addBlock
96      * It adds the new block provided to the user,
after performing certain checks on it
97      * @param newBlock a new block to be added to
the chain
98      * @throws NoSuchAlgorithmException
99      */
100    public void addBlock(Block newBlock) throws
NoSuchAlgorithmException {
101        //To check whether the block is valid or not
before adding the block
102        StringBuilder sb = new StringBuilder();
103        //String builder to get the number of 0s

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103 compared to difficulty
104         for(int i = 0; i < newBlock.getDifficulty
105             ()); i++)
106             {
107                 sb.append("0");
108             }
109             //Calculate the hash of the new block
110             created
111             String hash = newBlock.calculateHash();
112             //If the substring till the difficulty of
113             the hash is equal to the string builder's number of
114             0s
115             //and the previous hash of the new block is
116             equal to the latest block's hash only then add the
117             block
118             //and assign the chainHash the new block's
119             hash
120             if(hash.substring(0,newBlock.getDifficulty
121                 ()).equals(sb.toString()) && newBlock.
122                 getPreviousHash().equals(getLatestBlock().
123                 calculateHash())) {
124                 blocks.add(newBlock); //add the block
125                 this.chainHash = hash; //chainHash's new
126                 hash is the latest block's hash
127             }
128             else
129             {
130                 //If verification fails
131                 System.out.println("Addition failed due
132                 to failed verification or wrong previous hash.");
133             }
134         }
135     }
136
137     /**
138     * function toString
139     * The function is used to print the blockchain
140     in the string
141     * @return
142     */
143     public String toString()
144     {

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131         //sb to append the entire blockchain in a
        String
132         StringBuilder sb = new StringBuilder();
133         sb.append("{ " + "\"ds_chain{\" : [ ");
134         //appending the block's to string to the
        block chain
135         for(int i = 0; i < blocks.size(); i++)
136         {
137             sb.append(getBlock(i).toString()+"\n");
138         }
139         sb.append("],\"chainHash\": \"" + chainHash
+ "\"}");
140         //return the string
141         return sb.toString();
142     }
143
144     /**
145      * function getBlock
146      * To get the block at ith position
147      * @param i the position of the block
148      * @return the block
149      */
150     public Block getBlock(int i)
151     {
152         return blocks.get(i);
153     }
154
155     /**
156      * function getTotalDifficulty
157      * Get the total difficulty of the entire block
        chain
158      * @return the total difficulty
159      */
160     public int getTotalDifficulty()
161     {
162         int totalDifficulty = 0;
163         //get the difficulty of every block and add
        it
164         for(int i = 0; i < blocks.size(); i++)
165         {
166             totalDifficulty += getBlock(i).

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166 getDifficulty();
167     }
168     return totalDifficulty;
169 }
170
171 /**
172  * function getTotalExpectedHAshes
173  * Get the total expected hashes of the
174  * blockchain
175  * @return the expected hashes
176  */
177 public double getTotalExpectedHashes()
178 {
179     double totalExpectedHashes = 0.0;
180     //Count the hashes based on the difficulty
181     of every block and add them
182     for(int i = 0; i < blocks.size(); i++)
183     {
184         totalExpectedHashes += Math.pow(16,
185         getBlock(i).getDifficulty());
186     }
187     //return the total expected hashes
188     return totalExpectedHashes;
189 }
190
191 /**
192  * function isChainValid
193  * Check if the chain is valid or not.
194  * If it is corrupted at some point
195  * @return the boolean value of true or false
196  * @throws NoSuchAlgorithmException
197  */
198 public boolean isChainValid() throws
199 NoSuchAlgorithmException {
200     //If there is only 1 block in the chain
201     if(blocks.size() == 1)
202     {
203         //Get the block and create a string
204         builder of 0s till its difficulty value
205         Block block = blocks.get(0);
206         StringBuilder sb = new StringBuilder();

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202         for(int i = 0; i < block.getDifficulty
        (); i++)
203         {
204             sb.append("0");
205         }
206         //calculate the hash of the block
207         String hash = block.calculateHash();
208         //If the substring of hash matchs the sb
        's zeros and the chainHash is equal to it's hash
        then it is valid
209         //Else the chain is not valid and return
        false with the 1st node being invalid
210         if(!(hash.substring(0,block.
        getDifficulty()).equals(sb.toString()) && chainHash.
        equals(hash))) {
211             errorMessage = "..Improper hash at
        node 1. Does not begin with " + sb;
212             return false;
213         }
214     }
215     //If the size of blockchain is more than 1
216     else
217     {
218         String hash = "";
219         //For every block in the chain
220         for(int i = 1; i < blocks.size(); i++)
221         {
222             //Get the block and create a string
        builder of 0s till its difficulty value
223             StringBuilder sb = new StringBuilder
        ();
224             for(int j = 0; j < getBlock(i).
        getDifficulty(); j++)
225             {
226                 sb.append("0");
227             }
228             //calculate the hash of the block
229             hash = getBlock(i).calculateHash();
230             //If the substring of hash matchs
        the sb's zeros and the previous hash of the block is
        equal to hash of the previous block

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231         //Else the chain is not valid and
        return false with the node that is invalid
232         if(!(hash.substring(0,getBlock(i).
        getDifficulty()).equals(sb.toString()) && getBlock(i)
        ).getPreviousHash().equals(blocks.get(i-1).
        calculateHash())) {
233             errorMessage = "..Improper hash
        at node" + i + ".Does not begin with " + sb;
234             return false;
235         }
236     }
237     //Also check if the hash that we get at
    the end of the loop is valid to the chain hash. If
    not, return false
238     if(!(hash.equals(chainHash)))
239     {
240         errorMessage = "..Improper value of
        chainHash";
241         return false;
242     }
243 }
244 return true; //return true if all cases pass
245 }
246
247 /**
248  * function repairChain
249  * The function is to repair the chain when it
    is corrupted.
250  * A different message is set in place of the
    previous one for the block
251  * @throws NoSuchAlgorithmException
252  */
253 public void repairChain() throws
    NoSuchAlgorithmException {
254     //For every block
255     for(int i= 0; i< blocks.size(); i++)
256     {
257         //Get the block and create a string
        builder of 0s till its difficulty value
258         StringBuilder sb = new StringBuilder();
259         for(int j = 0; j < getBlock(i).

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259 getDifficulty(); j++)
260     {
261         sb.append("0");
262     }
263     //calculate the hash of the block
264     String hash = getBlock(i).calculateHash
    ();
265     //If the substring of hash matches the
    sb's zeros then the block needs no repairing,
266     // if not then calculate the proof of
    work of the block all over again
267     if(!(hash.substring(0, getBlock(i).
    getDifficulty()).equals(sb.toString())) {
268         getBlock(i).proofOfWork(); //
    Calculating the proof of work
269         if(i+1 != blocks.size()) { // If it
    is not the last block then set the next block's
    previous hash as the hash just calculated
270             blocks.get(i + 1).
    setPreviousHash(getBlock(i).calculateHash());
271         }
272         else
273         {
274             //If it is the last block then
    chainHash should be the block's hash
275             chainHash = getBlock(i).
    calculateHash();
276         }
277     }
278 }
279 }
280
281 /**
282  * function setChainHash
283  * The function sets the chain hash of the block
    chain
284  * @param chainHash String
285  */
286 public void setChainHash(String chainHash)
287 {
288     this.chainHash = chainHash;

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289     }
290
291     /**
292      * getChainHash
293      * The function returns the chain hash of the
294      * block chain
295      * @return String chain hash
296      */
297     public String getChainHash()
298     {
299         return chainHash;
300     }
301
302     /**
303      * function getErrorMessage()
304      * sets the error message to the point of
305      * failure if the chain is valid or not
306      * @return the error message of the chain being
307      * valid or not
308      */
309     public String getErrorMessage()
310     {
311         return errorMessage;
312     }
313
314     /**
315      * function setErrorMessage
316      * Setting the error message as back to empty
317      * once the chain verification failure point is known
318      * @param errorMessage the message if the chain
319      * is valid or not
320      */
321     public void setErrorMessage(String errorMessage)
322     {
323         this.errorMessage = errorMessage;
324     }
325
326     /**
327      * function main
328      * The main function gives user the choices in
329      * order to manipulate the blockchain

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324      * A genesis block is created and the user is
      then given options to add a transaction
325      * corrupt a chain or repair a chain
326      * If the chain is valid and display the chain
      along with the time taken by each function
327      * @param args
328      */
329      public static void main(String[] args) {
330          //Taking the user input
331          Scanner input = new Scanner(System.in);
332          //Creating a blockchain object
333          Blockchain blockChain = new Blockchain();
334          //Creating a genesis block with difficulty of
          2
335          Block block = new Block(0, blockChain.
getTime(), "Genesis", 2);
336          //Setting the previous hash of 1st block to 0
337          block.setPreviousHash("");
338          try {
339              //Computing the proof of work of the 1st
          block
340              block.proofOfWork();
341              //Adding the block to the chain
342              blockChain.blocks.add(block);
343              //Computing a million hashes per second
          and displaying the number of hashes done by system
          in a second
344              blockChain.computeHashesPerSecond();
345              //Setting the value of chainHash
          variable to the 1st block's hash
346              blockChain.setChainHash(block.
calculateHash());
347          } catch (NoSuchAlgorithmException e) {
348              e.printStackTrace();
349          }
350
351          while(true)
352          {
353              //Menu choices for the user to choose
          from
354              System.out.println("\n0. View basic

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354 blockchain status");
355         System.out.println("1. Add a transaction
    to blockchain.");
356         System.out.println("2. Verify the
    blockchain.");
357         System.out.println("3. View the
    blockchain.");
358         System.out.println("4. Corrupt the chain
    .");
359         System.out.println("5. Hide the
    corruption by repairing the chain");
360         System.out.println("6. Exit");
361
362         int choice = Integer.parseInt(input.
    nextLine());
363
364         switch(choice)
365         {
366             //Displaying the data of the
    blockchain. The chain size, difficulty of the
    latest block, total difficulty
367             //the hashes per second
    computed above, total expected hashes by computing
    expected hashes of each block
368             //Nonce of the latest block
    and the chainHash i.e the hash of the latest block
369             case 0: System.out.println("Current
    size of the chain: "+ blockchain.getChainSize());
370             System.out.println("
    Difficulty of the most recent block: "+ blockchain.
    getLatestBlock().getDifficulty());
371             System.out.println("Total
    difficulty for all blocks: "+ blockchain.
    getTotalDifficulty());
372             System.out.println("
    Approximate hashes per second on this machine: "+
    blockchain.getHashesPerSecond());
373             System.out.println("Expected
    total hashes required for the whole chain: "+
    blockchain.getTotalExpectedHashes());
374             System.out.println("Nonce
    for the most recent block: "+ blockchain.

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373 getLatestBlock().getNonce());
374         System.out.println("Chain
    hash: "+ blockChain.getChainHash());
375         break;
376         //Adding a transaction to
    the block, asking the user for the difficulty and
    the transaction data
377         //For adding a block with 2
    difficulty, the computation is fast, and it takes 0
    milliseconds.
378         //For adding a block with
    difficulty of 3 it takes about 5 milliseconds
379         //The block with difficulty
    of 4 takes about 173 milliseconds
380         //The block with difficulty
    of 5 took 232 milliseconds
381         //The block with difficulty
    of 6 took 68888 milliseconds, we can see an increase
    in computation of time
382         // And for difficulty 7 it
    took 758503 milliseconds, indicating that as we
    increase the difficulty, the computation time
    increases exponentially
383         case 1: System.out.println("Enter
    difficulty > 0");
384         int difficulty = Integer.
    parseInt(input.nextLine());
385         System.out.println("Enter
    transaction");
386         String data = input.nextLine
    ();
387         Timestamp startTime =
    blockChain.getTime();
388         Block block1 = new Block(
    blockChain.getChainSize(), blockChain.getTime(),
    data, difficulty);
389         block1.setPreviousHash(
    blockChain.getChainHash());
390         try {
391             block1.proofOfWork();
392             blockChain.addBlock(

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392 block1);
393             } catch (
        NoSuchAlgorithmException e) {
394                 e.printStackTrace();
395             }
396             Timestamp endTime =
        blockChain.getTime();
397             System.out.println("Total
execution time to add this block was " + (endTime.
        getTime() - startTime.getTime()) + " milliseconds");
398             break;
399             //If the chain is valid then
        the time taken by the isChainValid function to
        verify is 0 milliseconds
400             //The chain verification if
        the chain is invalid also takes 0 milliseconds,
        because as soon as the
401             //chain finds a failure
        point it returns false and let's us know the point
        of failure.
402             //The computation time is
        the same
403             case 2: System.out.println("
Verifying the entire chain");
404             Timestamp startTimeValid =
        blockChain.getTime();
405             try {
406                 boolean isValid =
        blockChain.isChainValid();
407                 if(blockChain.
        getErrorMessage().equals("")) {
408                     System.out.println("
Chain verification: " + isValid);
409                 }
410                 else
411                 {
412                     System.out.println(
        blockChain.getErrorMessage());
413                     System.out.println("
Chain verification: " + isValid);
414                     blockChain.

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414 setErrorMessage("");
415                                     }
416                                     } catch (
    NoSuchAlgorithmException e) {
417                                     e.printStackTrace();
418                                     }
419                                     Timestamp endTimeValid =
    blockchain.getTime();
420                                     System.out.println("Total
    execution time to verify the chain was " + (
    endTimeValid.getTime() - startTimeValid.getTime
    ()) + " milliseconds");
421                                     break;
422                                     //This case is used to print
    the entire blockchain in the json format
423                                     case 3: System.out.println("View the
    blockchain");
424                                     System.out.println(
    blockchain);
425                                     break;
426                                     //The case helps in
    corrupting the data by asking the user the block
    that it wants to corrupt and
427                                     //the new data for that
    block
428                                     case 4: System.out.println("Corrupt
    the Blockchain");
429                                     System.out.println("Enter
    the block ID of block to corrupt");
430                                     int id = Integer.parseInt(
    input.nextLine());
431                                     System.out.println("Enter
    new data for block " + id);
432                                     String corruptData = input.
    nextLine();
433                                     blockchain.getBlock(id).
    setData(corruptData);
434                                     System.out.println("Block "
    + id +" now holds " + corruptData);
435                                     break;
436                                     //Repairing the block of the

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436  chain with the difficulty of 3 when the data is
      corrupt takes about 248 milliseconds
437      //It takes more time to
      repair the chain if the difficulty is greater, for
      difficulty 5 it takes about 2142 milliseconds
438      //This indicates that the
      repair time depends on the block's difficulty and
      time taken to calculate the proof of work again.
439      //The time taken also
      depends on the number of blocks that are corrupt and
      need repairing
440      case 5: System.out.println("
      Repairing the entire chain");
441      Timestamp startTimeRepair =
      blockchain.getTime();
442      try {
443          blockchain.repairChain
      ();
444      } catch (
      NoSuchElementException e) {
445          e.printStackTrace();
446      }
447      Timestamp endTimeRepair =
      blockchain.getTime();
448      System.out.println("Total
      execution time required to repair the chain was "
      + (endTimeRepair.getTime() - startTimeRepair.
      getTime()) + " milliseconds");
449      break;
450      //Exiting the system if it
      is case 6
451      case 6: System.exit(0);
452      break;
453      }
454  }
455  }
456
457
458 }
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