CSCI 2580 - Web Search Engines - Final Project Spring 2016 Purnima Padmanabhan Erdem Sahin

The search engine web interface is accessible via the following link: http://cims.nyu.edu/~es2697/csci2580_final.html

Our code is organized in the following directory structure:

python: The Shingles algorithm implementation

indexer: The Indexer. Runs the Shingles algorithm and UnionFind and combines it with PageRank

retriever: The Retriever. Runs queries against the index

evaluator: The evaluation module (to calculate precision, recall, F-score).

util: Common utilities used across multiple modules.

htmlparser: Utility to parse the HTML DOM tree (from Programming Assignment 1).

www: The HTML file and the CGI script used to display the search results

The following folders contain various jars needed to run the code:

cli: The Apache commons command line options library¹

JTidy: The JTidy HTML parser library.²

jwi: A library to access the WordNet dictionary.³

Lucene: Apache Lucene library (for search engine indexing and querying).4

The following folders contain various input files needed by our code:

dict: The WordNet English dictionary⁵

input-sample: A subset of the Science Articles used for evaluation purposes.6

wiki-input: The expanded Wikipedia Articles dataset used for indexing (as well as evaluation).

The other directories are for outputs from various stages of the algorithm.

We tested our implementation on the "energon" lab machines (e.g. energon2). This environment gave us sufficient RAM and CPU resources to successfully run our code.

The code should be compiled via executing the build.sh \$./build.sh

¹ https://commons.apache.org/proper/commons-cli/

² http://jtidy.sourceforge.net/

³ http://projects.csail.mit.edu/jwi/

⁴ https://lucene.apache.org/core/

⁵ http://wordnet.princeton.edu/wordnet/

⁶ http://textfiles.com/science/

First run the evaluator to generate duplicate documents for the Wikipedia dataset and evaluate the results:

\$./run-evaluator-html.sh

Then run the indexer to index the Wikipedia dataset + duplicates generated in the above step. This will run shingles, PageRank and UnionFind.⁷

\$./run-indexer.sh

The index is already queried via the web interface. To query the index via the command line, please execute:

\$./run-retriever.sh index "san juan"

index is the directory containing the index and "san juan" is the search query.

To run the evaluation on the text dataset, please execute:

\$./run-evaluator-text.sh

This is for evaluation purposes only. It takes ~15 minutes to run.

Finally, we have a script called "deploy-web.sh" that deploys the index, the required java .class files, and the HTML/cgi files to the public_html directory for serving and sets appropriate permissions. Please do not execute this script as it will only work for user "es2697". It has already been executed.

⁷ http://algs4.cs.princeton.edu/15uf/UF.java.html

Sample queries to demonstrate near-duplicate detection and authoritative document selection:

Query: "scotland"

Results for query scotland in directory output-wiki

1. Scotland

Scotland.html

Duplicates:

- Scotland dup 2.html
 Scotland dup 1.html
 Scotland dup 3.html

2. Northern Ireland

Ireland.html

3. Archipelago

Archipelago.html

Duplicates:

· Archipelago dup 1.html

Query: "food"

Results for query food in directory output-wiki

1. Food

Food.html

Duplicates:

- Food dup 1.htmlFood dup 2.html
- 2. Polar Bear

PolarBear.html

Query: "pinniped"

Results for query pinniped in directory output-wiki

1. Pinniped

Pinniped.html

Duplicates:

- Pinniped dup 1.html
- Pinniped dup 2.html

Query: "ontario"

Results for query ontario in directory output-wiki

1. Ontario

Ontario.html

Duplicates:

- · Ontario dup 3.html
- Ontario dup 1.html

2. Ontario

Ontario dup 2.html

3. Quebec

Quebec.html

Duplicates:

- Quebec dup 3.html
- · Quebec dup 1.html

4. New York

New York.html

5. Quebec

Quebec dup 2.html

In this case Ontario_dup_2.html is not clustered as a duplicate of Ontario.html, Ontario_dup_1.html and Ontario_dup_3.html, which are clustered together. But when we inspect the docs we observe that they are fairly different, which is a desired outcome. A similar situation is in play for Quebec_dup_2.html