

project2Phase1.py

The file contains functions designed to read geographic data from a file named `miles.txt`, process and store this data in an appropriate data structure (a dictionary), and provide utilities for retrieving and manipulating this data.

Key Components

1. Data Loading Functions:

- `loadCityData()`: Reads city names and states from the `miles.txt` file and returns a list of these names.
- `loadInformation()`: Reads coordinates, population data, and distances between cities from the `miles.txt` file and returns three lists: `coordinateList`, `populationList`, and `distanceList`.
- `listAllInformation()`: Combines city data into a comprehensive dictionary called `cityDataDict`, which includes coordinates, population, and distance information for each city.

Dictionary Structure:

1. Keys: City names combined with state codes (e.g., "Wilmington DE").
2. Values: Lists containing coordinates, population, and a nested dictionary of distances to other cities.

Example entry: `"Wilmington DE": [[3975, 7555], 70195, distanceDictionary]`

2. Data Access and Manipulation Functions:

- a. `getCoordinates(cityDataDict, cityName)`: Returns the coordinates (latitude and longitude) of a given city.
- b. `getPopulation(cityDataDict, cityName)`: Returns the population of a given city.
- c. `getDistance(cityDataDict, cityName1, cityName2)`: Returns the distance between two cities. If the cities are the same, it returns 0. If either city is not in the dictionary, it returns `None`.
- d. `nearbyCities(cityDataDict, cityName, r)`: Returns a list of cities that are within a distance of `r` radius from the given city.

project2Phase2.py

Overview

The file contains various functions aimed at reading geographic data, processing it, and implementing both a greedy and a brute force algorithm to solve the facility location problem. The goal is to determine the fewest number of facilities needed so that every city is within a specified radius r of a facility.

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2. Greedy Algorithm:

- Implements a greedy approach to solve the facility location problem by repeatedly selecting the city that serves the most unserved cities within the radius r .

3. Brute Force Algorithm:

○ Helper Functions:

- `actualSolution(cityDataDictionary, cityList, r)`: Checks if a given set of cities can serve all cities within the radius r .
- `generateAllSolutions(cityList, k)`: Generates all possible combinations of cities of size k .
- `generate_All_Solutions_Of_1_to_K(cityList, k)`: Generates all possible combinations of cities from size 1 to k .

○ Main Function:

- `optimalFacilitySet(cityDataDictionary, r, oneSolution)`: Finds the optimal set of facilities by evaluating all possible combinations of city placements and selecting the smallest set that serves all cities.