# Programming Assignment 1

Points: 500

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Late Submission Due: Mar 9, 11:59PM (25% penalty)

Description of a programming assignment is not a linear narrative and may require multiple readings before things start to click. You are encouraged to consult instructor/Teaching Assistants for any questions/clarifications regarding the assignment. Your programs must be in Java, preferably Java 8.1.

For this PA, you may work in teams of 1, 2 or 3. It is your responsibility to find team member(s). If you can not find team member(s), then you must work on your own. Only one submission per team please.

For this PA, you are **not** allowed to use any of Java's in-built hash-based data structures as hashSet, hashMap etc. In addition, you are not allowed to use any external libraries.

In this programming assignment you will

- Implement a hash table that can store  $\langle key, value \rangle$  pairs.
- Use hashing and hash tables to estimate document similarity.

You will design following classes:

- Tuple
- HashTable
- BruteForceSimilarity
- HashStringSimilarity
- HashCodeSimilarity

All your classes must be in the **default package** (even though it is not a good programming practice). Ie., do not specify package name.

# 1 Tuple

Design a class name Tuple to represent tuples of form  $\langle key, value \rangle$ , where key is of type int and value is of type String. This class will have following constructor and public methods

Tuple (int keyP, String valueP) Creates Tuple object with keyP as key and valueP as value.

getKey() Returns key

getValue() Returns value

equals (Tuple t) returns true if this tuple equals t; otherwise returns false. I.e returns true if this.key equalst.key and this.value equals t.value.

#### 2 HashFunction

This class will represent a *random hash function* that maps integers to non-negative integers, that can be used in constructing a hash table. This class is provided to you. Please do not change this class. This class has following public constructors and methods.

HashFunction(int range). Picks the first (positive) prime integer p whose value is at least range. Then picks two random integers x and y from  $\{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$  and uses (ax+b)%p as hash function.

hash(int x) Returns the value of the hash function on x; i.e, returns (ax + b)%p. This method assumes that x is non-negative.

### 3 HashTable

This class will implement a hash table. The hash table will hold a multi-set of data items whose type is tuple. Recall that in a multi-set, an element can appear multiple times. This class will have following public methods and constructor.

HashTable(int size) Finds the smallest prime integer p whose value is at least size. Creates a hash table of size p where each cell initially is NULL. It will determine the hash function to be used in the hash table by creating the object new HashFunction(p).

maxLoad() Returns the maximum load of the hash table

averageLoad() Returns the average load of the hash table

size() returns the current size of the hash table.

numElements() returns the number of distinct Tuples that are currently stored in the hash table.

loadFactor() return the load factor which is numElements()/size()

add(Tuple t) Adds the tuple t to the hash table; places t in the list pointed by the cell hash(t.getKey()) where hash is the hash function method from the class HashFunction. When the load factors becomes bigger than 0.7, then it (approximately) doubles the size of the hash table and rehashes all the elements (tuples) to the new hash table. The size of the new hash table must be: Smallest

prime integer whose value is at least twice the current size.

search(int k) returns an array list of Tuples (in the hash table) whose key equals k. If no such Tuples exist, returns an empty list. Note that the type of this method must be ArrayList<Tuple>

search (Tuple t) returns the number of times Tuple t appears in the hash table.

remove(Tuple t) Removes one occurrence Tuple t from the hash table.

## 4 Set Similarity

Given two sets how similar are they? This is one of the problems that is of great interest in the current age of big data. In this homework you will learn about a method to determine the similarity of sets.

We will define a notion of *similarity* between *multi-sets*. Recall that in a multi-set, an item can appear multiple times. For example,  $\{2, 4, 6, 1, 2\}$  is a multi-set. Given a multi-set S, we define a notion called *VectorLength* of S. Let f(S, i) denote the number of times i appears in the multi-set S. Now

$$VectorLength(S) = \sqrt{\sum_{i \in S} [f(S, i)]^2}$$

Let  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  be two multi sets and let U be the union of  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  after removing the duplicates. I.e, in U every element appears only once. Now the similarity between  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  is defined as

$$Similarity(S1, S2) = \frac{\sum_{i \in U} [f(S_1, i) \times f(S_2, i)]}{VectorLength(S_1) \times VectorLength(S_2)}$$

Here is an example: Let  $S_1 = \{1, 2, 6, 8, 2, 6, 4, 6, 1, 2\}$  and  $S_2 = \{2, 5, 1, 1, 8, 8, 4, 3, 8\}$ . Now  $U = \{1, 2, 6, 8, 5, 3, 4\}$ ;  $VectorLength(S_1) = \sqrt{19}$  and  $VectorLength(S_2)$  is  $\sqrt{17}$ . The similarity between  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  is

$$\frac{11}{\sqrt{19}\sqrt{17}} = 0.612$$

# 5 Document Similarity

Given two documents how similar are they? For example, Chrome's similar pages plug-in finds webpages that are similar to the page that you are currently browsing. The notion of document/set similarity has quite a few applications in text/image processing, recommendation systems etc. We will use set similarity to define two notions of document similarity. This is done by converting each document into a String and then associating a multi-set with each string.

Let  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  be two documents whose similarity we wish to estimate. We convert both  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  into strings by eliminating white space/tab characters, and the punctuation symbols period, comma, colon and semi-colon. Converting each character into lower case. Now each document can be viewed as a (perhaps very long) string. We now define a notion of k-shingles of a string. A k-shingle of a string is a substring of length k. Let  $S_1^k$  be a multi-set of all k-shingles of  $D_1$  and  $S_2^k$  be multi-set of all k-shingles of  $D_2$ . Now

$$Similarity_k(D1, D_2) = Similarity(S_1^k, S_2^k)$$

Note that the above value depends on the value of k.

Another way to define similarity is by considering hashCodes of elements of  $S_1^k$  and  $S_2^k$ . Let  $HS_1^k$  be the multi-set of all hashCodes of strings from the multi-set  $S_1^k$ , and let  $HS_2^k$  be the set of all hashCodes of string from the multi-set  $S_2^k$ .

$$HashSimilarity_k(D1, D2) = Similarity(HS_1^k, HS_2^K)$$

Here is an example. Suppose you have two documents, Say that the contents of  $D_1$  are

A rose is a rose is a rose.

The contents of  $D_2$  are

A rose is a flower, which is a rose.

The the String corresponding to the first document is (by ignoring case, removing white space, period and comma)

#### aroseisaroseisarose

The string corresponding to the second document is

aroseisaflowerwhichisarose

Let us take k = 4. Now  $S_1^4$  is

aros, rose, osei, seis, eisa, saro, aros, rose, osei, seis, eisa, isar, saro, aros, rose

Below is the multi-set  $S_2^4$ .

aros, rose, osei, seis, eisa, isaf, safl, aflo, flow, lowe, ower, werw, erwh, rwhi, whic, hich, ichi, chis, hisa, isar, saro, aros, rose

Now, U is

aros, rose, osei, seis, eisa, saro, isar, isaf, safl, aflo, flow, lowe, ower, werw, erwh, rwhi, whic, hich, ichi, chis, hisa,

We calculate

$$Similarity_4(D_1, D_2) = \frac{21}{\sqrt{35}\sqrt{27}} = 0.683$$

We will calculate hash similarity as follows. The multi set  $HS_1^4$  is

 $\{3002837, 3506511, 3420552, 3526396, 3113458, 3522827, 3002837, 3506511, 3420552, 3526396, 3113458, 3241691, 3522827, 3002837, 3506511 \}$  and  $HS_2^4$  is

 $\{3002837, 3506511, 3420552, 3526396, 3113458, 3241679, 3522452, 2991208, 3146030, 3327889, \\3424405, 3645843, 3122238, 3513862, 3648427, 3202342, 3226523, 3052623, 3202831, 3241691, 3522827, 3002837, 3506511\}$ 

Now

$$HashSimilarity_4(D_1, D_2) = Similarity(HS_1^4, HS_2^4)$$

#### 6 Your Task

You will implement three classes to compute similarity between two Strings.

- BruteForceSimilarity
- HashStringSimilarity
- HashCodeSimilarity

#### 6.1 BruteForceSimilarity

For this class, the only data structures that you are allowed to use are array and ArrayList. You are not allowed to sort any of the arrays/ array lists. You are not allowed to use HashTable data structure that you designed earlier.

This class has following constructors and methods:

BruteForceSimilarity(String s1, String s2, int sLength). sLength is the shingle length that should be used to compute the similarity between strings s1 and s2. You may assume that the strings are pre-processed. I.e, all punctuation symbols, white spaces are removed and all letters are in lowercase.

Let S be the multi-set of all shingles (of length sLength) of the string s1. Let T is the multi-set of all shingles (of length sLength) of the string s2.

lengthOfS1() This method returns the VectorLength of S. Type of this method must be float.

length0fS2() This method returns the VectorLength of T. Type of this method must be float.

similarity() This method returns Similarity(S,T). Type of this method must be float.

#### 6.2 HashStringSimilarity

For this class, you are allowed to use the class HashTable that you designed. In addition, you can only use array and ArrayList.

This class has following constructors and methods:

HashStringSimilarity(String s1, String s2, int sLength). sLength is the shingle length that should be used to compute the similarity between strings s1 and s2. You may assume that the strings are pre-processed. I.e, all punctuation symbols, white spaces are removed and all letters are in lowercase.

Let S be the multi-set of all shingles (of length sLength) of the string s1. Let T is the multi-set of all shingles (of length sLength) of the string s2.

length0fS1() This method returns the VectorLength of S. Type of this method must be float.

lengthOfS2() This method returns the VectorLength of T. Type of this method must be float.

similarity() This method returns Similarity(S,T). Type of this method must be float.

#### 6.3 HashCodeSimilarity

For this class, you are allowed to use the class HashTable that you designed. In addition, you can only use array and ArrayList.

This class has following constructors and methods:

HashCodeSimilarity(String s1, String s2, int sLength). sLength is the shingle length that should be used to compute the similarity between strings s1 and s2. You may assume that the strings are pre-processed. I.e, all punctuation symbols, white spaces are removed and all letters are in lowercase.

Let S be the multi-set of hashcodes of all shingles (of length sLength) of the string s1. Let T is the multi-set of hashcodes of all shingles (of length sLength) of the string s2.

lengthOfS1() This method returns the VectorLength of S. Type of this method must be float.

lengthOfS2() This method returns the VectorLength of T. Type of this method must be float.

similarity() This method returns Similarity(S,T). Type of this method must be float.

## 7 Report

In addition to the program, submit a report with following:

- 1. Pseudo codes for methods add, and search(Tuple t) methods from HashTable.
- 2. Derive and state asymptotic run-times of above methods. Express run-time as a function of n, and k, where n is the number of elements on the Hash Table and k is the length of the String.
- 3. For each of the classes BruteForceSimilarity, HashStringSimilarity, and HashCodeSimilarity
  - Describe the data structures used.
  - Pseudo code for all three methods
  - Derive and state asymptotic run-time of all three methods. Express run-times as functions of n, m and k. Where n and m are lengths of the strings and k is the shingle length parameter.

- 4. You are provided two test files. Convert the files into strings and run the method similarity from all three classes. Use 8 as shingle length. Report the similarities returned and the runtimes.
- 5. Compare all three run times. Which one is smallest? Which one is largest? Does one run time equal (or very close to) another run time? Explain why one run-time equals (or very close) /smaller/larger than the other run times.
- 6. Do all three methods return the same value for similarity? If not, explain the reason.

#### 8 Data

Attached are two text files on which you will report runtimes and similarities.

#### 9 Guidelines

You are not allowed to use any external libraries. You are not allowed use Java inbuilt classes such as HashMap, HashTable etc.

Your code must strictly adhere to the specifications. The names of methods and classes must be exactly as specified. The return types of the methods must be exactly as specified. For each method/constructor the types and order of parameters must be exactly as specified. Otherwise, you will lose a significant portion points (even if your program is correct).

Your grade will depend on adherence to specifications, correctness of the methods/programs, efficiency of the methods/programs, and report. If your programs do not compile, you will receive zero credit. Judicious use of roll-over hashing will reduce run-time for methods from classes HashStringSimilarity, and HashCodeSimilarity.

#### 10 What to Submit

Your submission must have following files.

- Tuple
- HashFunction (Please do not change the code).
- HashTable
- BruteForceSimilarity
- HashStringSimilarity
- HashCodeSimilarity
- report.pdf (must be in pdf format)
- ReadMe.txt (list the name(s) of team member(s)).

You must include any additional helper classed that you designed. Please include only source .java files, do not include any .class files. Please remember to use default package for all the java classes. Place all the files that need to be submitted in a folder (without any sub-folders) and zip that folder. Submit the .zip file. Only zip files please. Please include all team members names as a JavaDoc comment in each of the Java files. Only one submission per team please.