

1. Pseudo codes for methods add, and search(Tuple t) methods from HashTable:

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add(Tuple t) {
    integer bucket = hashFunction(t.key)

    add a new list for this bucket if there isn't one

    add the tuple t to the bucket's list

    this.search(t)
        if result is 0, there are no duplicates,
        so increment the number of unique tuples
        in the table

    check load factor, rehash if it is above 0.7
}

rehash() {
    create new table with double size

    re-add tuples

    set this table equal to that
}

search(Tuple t) {
    integer bucket = hashFunction(t.key)

    check if the list at this bucket exists
        if not, return 0
        if so, continue

    bucketLoad = table[bucket].size

    for(i = 0; i < collisions; i++) {
        if t equals table[bucket].get(i)
            increment count
    }
}

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BFS similarity: 0.00324
    runtime: 8.262 seconds
HSS similarity: 1.040429
    runtime: 37 seconds
HCS similarity: 1.72813

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report.txt

runtime: 9.369 seconds

5.

HCS would be fastest on a large scale. Using the small input sizes available to me, there is not a huge difference, though. Obviously BFS is slowest. BFS has no hashtable of key/value pairs to reference, and therefore it must continuously loop through the arrays storing the keys/values and compare ints and strings. With the hash table, the hashcode can be calculated in constant time, and so it can be looked up in constant time (usually) in the hash table. The time can be as bad as the number of elements in the table, depending on how well distributed tuples are between buckets. HCS would be faster than HSS because it compares only the integers, which is quicker than comparing both integers and strings.

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No. I think that HashStringSimilarity and BruteForceSimilarity should return the same thing, based on how I implemented BruteForce. However, I was having an error I could not find in time to submit. The values are still similar. In BruteForce, I also checked to make sure both the string and the hashcode were the same, like in HSS. In HCS, it checks only the code. Therefore, collisions are counted as the same. I had a variable amount of collisions, due to the HashFunction randomness, so HCS's values are different each time.