

CSC 172 PROJECT — THE SCIENCE OF DATA STRUCTURES

Hashing and Sorting

Hashing and Sorting was one of the most extensive and intriguing, although ultimately very challenging and stubborn, programming tasks I've ever undertaken. When creating the *concordances* for (a) the Shakespearean Sonnets, (b) the set of most frequently used words today (pulled from an online source— 6,000 uniques), (c) the provided dictionary text file (presumably taken from a version of Linux), and (d) the Barack Obama Reddit AMA, I chose a simplistic, although still sufficiently efficient algorithm for hashing. The primary block of code that determined the hashtable's specific functions was in the hashtable class I created:

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int index = word.word.compareTo("") % capacity;
for( ; table[index] != null && !table[index][0].word.equals(word.word);
    index = (index+4)%capacity);
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The idea here is to choose the word's index depending on the current capacity of the hash table, using quadratic probing if excessive collisions occur. If the same *key* is used as is present in the currently accessed hashtable element, it's added to the end of the current element's array (the hashtables are tables of *PlottedWord* arrays). However, this isn't problem-proof, and later in the same method I make sure to include an *expand* functionality that allows for increasing of hashtable size (utilizing prime numbers of two-orders of magnitude greater than the current capacity). Most of the additional time that's tacked on in this process stems from the algorithm I used to convert the external file into memory— a process where I prioritized legibility and understandability over efficient concepts I might not have a firm grasp over yet. In the future, further iterations of this concept would of course utilize lower-level buffers and tokenizers, and invest less effort over the algorithm that was required for this particular assignment.

Each set of words was chosen mostly out of curiosity— a site I go on regularly, Reddit, would contain the average amount of words I use during my day— is that equivalent to Shakespeare's daily vocabulary? And I also pulled 6,000 words from a frequency listing to see if my own sources could compare to the dictionary provided (and surely, they didn't). The HTML/content parsing I did could've certainly been better (especially because using the HTML parsing technique I did would be a nightmare in real-world applications), but it was more than adequate for the concordances.

Running the code is fairly straightforward. Everything will be processed entirely automatically except for the concordance index retrieval portion— which occurs right after the

sonnets are loaded into a hashtable. The attached example output gives a firm demonstration of how to utilize that area of the program, if it's at all unclear.

The sorting algorithms used were the built-in Java functions, as they clearly optimized for speed, and it was never necessary to prescribe my own (which would nearly mimic a quicksort, except using *.compareTo()* rather than numerical comparisons). The important (and project-required/relevant) algorithm, however, was in checking the matches from Shakespeare's sonnets to the various other sources (the tricky part)— I had to create my own “merge,” such as that seen in mergesorts, except I had to account for duplicates (thus, I created ArrayLists of the keys before sending them away), and deal with iterating through every element of each array (impossible to get anything better than $O(n_1n_2)$). Though, it worked beautifully for every sample!

Elizabethanisms (I prefer to call them Shakespeareans) **are written to the output.txt file, but I also attached them formatted at the end of this document.** The identical result is replicable by running the program (it will create its own output.txt).

Every included *.txt* file except for *output.txt* are currently used in the program as alternate concordances, and are obviously linked with methods named after them. The three *.java* files are: *SonnetsConcordance.java*, which does most of the heavy-lifting for the program itself (it's the Driver, as well as writer/reader); *Hashtable.java*, which contains my custom Hashtable implementation; and *PlottedWord.java*, my specific class that's used in the hashtables, which only specifies key and coordinate (word, line, wordNumber in-line).

Complete Output

Launched sonnet program, pulling sonnets (this might take a while)...
Done creating sonnet concordance! Took 0.463 seconds for 17516 words.
That means there were 17516 words in all of the sonnets combined (with repeats).
Done sorting sonnet concordance, found 3213 unique elements.
That means only 3213 words were used in all of Shakespeare's sonnets

Give me a word and I'll tell you where it is in the sonnets! Type "stop" to move on.

although

Found word at following (line, word) coordinate(s):

(887, 0) (963, 0) (1026, 3) (1230, 4) (1457, 2) (1654, 0) (2254, 3) (2507, 0)
(2624, 0)

bedvow

Found word at following (line, word) coordinate(s):

(2860, 3)

obama

Couldn't find word!

stop

Parsing and pulling common words (this will take way longer)...
Done creating common words concordance! Took 0.279 seconds for 6036 words.
That means the sample I used only had 6036 words, total.
Done sorting common concordance, found 6019 unique elements.
That means the sample had 6019 words without repeats (depends on sample)
In comparison to Shakespeare, our most common words are 1.8733271086212262 as big!

Done comparing and retrieving Shakespearean words using common source! Took 0.0020 seconds to pull 1704 words.
That means, using the common source, there are apparently 1704 Shakespearisms (not used today).

Parsing and pulling dictionary words (this will take a while)...
Done creating dict words table! Took 1.598 seconds for 454611 words.
Done comparing and retrieving Shakespearean words using dictionary! Took 0.03 seconds to pull 342 words.
That means, using the dictionary, there are actually 342 Shakespearisms (not used today).
In comparison to Shakespeare, our full dictionary is 141.49112978524744 as big!

Let's try comparing against a better sample of everyday word usage-- the Barack Obama AMA. Filling table (this will take the longest time)...
Done creating Obama concordance! Took 3.902 seconds for 40684 words.
Done sorting Obama concordance, found 5565 unique elements.
Done comparing and retrieving Shakespearean words using Obama AMA! Took 0.0010 seconds to pull 2523 words.
That means, using the Obama AMA, there are about 2523 Shakespearisms (not used today).
In comparison to Shakespeare, our Obama-interviewing vocabulary is 1.7320261437908497 as big!

Thanks for playing!

Elizabethanisms/Shakespeareans (output.txt)

abusd	addeth	damaskd	featurd	lookd
adoting		dearpurchasd	feedst	lourst
advisd		deathdear	feelst	lovd
allayd		debateth	figurd	lovegod
alltheworld		decayd	fild	lovekindling
alterd		deceivd	filld	lovesuit
amazeth		deceivst	fixd	lovst
anchord		decembers	flatterd	madmens
annexd		deemd	fleshin	maketh
anothers		defacd	foild	makst
aprils		deformedst	follydoctorlikeco	manys
assaild		deliverd	ntrolling	maskd
bearst		departest	forgetst	matcheth
beated		deservd	franticmad	merchandizd
beautys		deservst	freezings	mightst
bedvow		despisd	frownst	milliond
beggard		devisd	gatherd	miscalld
beguild		dialhand	gavst	misplacd
belovd		dians	gazeth	missd
besmeard		diest	gildst	mixd
bestowst		dimmd	gluttoning	mortgagd
betterd		disarmd	goest	murderous
bettring		disdaineth	grievd	needst
blamd		diseasd	growst	neercloying
blessd		disgracd	hammerd	neighno
blessedfair		disposd	happies	newappearing
bodyd		distemperd	hateth	newfired
borrowd		distilld	heartinflaming	nourishd
buriest		doublevantage	helens	nurseth
burnd		downrazd	ifi	oerchargd
calld		draind	illud	oergreen
cancelld		dressd	illwresting	oerlook
carvd		dyd	impannelled	oerpressd
characterd		eisel	impeachd	oerread
chargd		eithers	imprisond	oersnowed
cherubins		endowd	incertainties	oersways
childrens		endurd	intermixd	oertake
choppd		engrossd	junes	oerworn
climbd		enjoyd	keepst	oppressd
colourd		enlargd	knowst	outstrippd
compard		errd	languishd	overgoes
compild		esteemd	laughd	owst
conceald		everfixed	leapd	passd
confessd		exchangd	learnd	perceivd
confind		expressd	learneds	perceivst
conquerd		eyd	lifes	perfectst
consumd		fadeth	lilys	perjurd
consumst		falsespeaking	livd	picturd
convertest		famishd	livesuch	piercd
crossd		famoused	lockd	pitywanting
crownd		favourites	lodgd	playd
crushd		featherd	longlivd	playst

poisond	selfwilld	unthriftd
polishd	sendst	untrimmd
possessd	sharpst	untutord
possessest	shortnumberd	unwood
pourst	showst	uplocked
praisd	slanderd	usest
praisethat	slandring	valleyfountain
presentabsent	soulsgive	vanishd
presenteth	specialblest	vexd
presentst	spendst	viewest
prevaild	staind	vowd
preventst	staineth	wakend
prickd	stampd	wanderst
privilage	steeld	warmd
profand	stelld	weret
proposd	stickst	whoer
proudpied	stirrd	whos
provd	stoln	widowd
purposd	strengthened	wilfulslow
puttst	strumpeted	womens
raisd	subdud	worthwide
rangd	sufferd	wrackd
razd	sufficd	wretchcd
rebukd	suretylike	wretchs
receivest	swallowd	yellowd
receivst	swartcomplexiond	yourselfs
reckond	swayst	
recurd	sweetseasond	
reeleth	sweetst	
refigurd	sympathizd	
refusest	tatterd	
reignd	tempteth	
rememberd	tenderd	
removd	termd	
renewd	theemyselthat	
renewest	thenchurlstheir	
respose	theyhast	
restord	thismy	
returnd	thouall	
reviewest	thoughtsfrom	
richproud	tird	
robbd	toild	
rudst	tonguesthe	
ruind	touchd	
runnst	transferrd	
savd	travelld	
scapd	trimmd	
scornd	truetelling	
seald	turnd	
seemd	twicein	
seest	uneard	
seeting	unfatherd	
selfdoing	unlookd	
selfkilld	unswayd	