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CS572 Lab1

Platform

java 8 + elementary OS

How to run

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sh runSearch.sh
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Runtime result

we have runtime result in result_runtime.txt

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===== Task 1 =====
intranet 1 :
+ Reverse path : page50.html page99.html page29.html page18.html page1.html
+ Path Length : 4
+ Visited 91 nodes, starting @ intranet1/page1.html, using: breadth search.

+ Reverse path : page50.html page83.html page2.html page79.html page87.html page93
+ Path Length : 15
+ Visited 58 nodes, starting @ intranet1/page1.html, using: depth search.

intranet 5 :
+ Reverse path : page62.html page72.html page95.html page96.html page87.html page8
+ Path Length : 8
+ Visited 88 nodes, starting @ intranet5/page1.html, using: breadth search.

+ Reverse path : page62.html page72.html page95.html page7.html page48.html page68
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+ Path Length : 10
+ Visited 42 nodes, starting @ intranet5/page1.html, using: depth search.

intranet 7 :
+ Reverse path : page86.html page61.html page62.html page57.html page71.html page4
+ Path Length : 6
+ Visited 56 nodes, starting @ intranet7/page1.html, using: breadth search.

+ Reverse path : page86.html page78.html page11.html page60.html page39.html page9
+ Path Length : 9
+ Visited 12 nodes, starting @ intranet7/page1.html, using: depth search.

===== Task 2a =====
intranet 1 :
+ Reverse path : page50.html page83.html page2.html page79.html page56.html page95
+ Path Length : 7
+ Visited 26 nodes, starting @ intranet1/page1.html, using: best search.

intranet 5 :
+ Reverse path : page62.html page72.html page95.html page96.html page87.html page8
+ Path Length : 8
+ Visited 26 nodes, starting @ intranet5/page1.html, using: best search.

intranet 7 :
+ Reverse path : page86.html page61.html page73.html page23.html page89.html page1
+ Path Length : 8
+ Visited 20 nodes, starting @ intranet7/page1.html, using: best search.

===== Task 2b =====
intranet 1 :
+ Reverse path : page50.html page99.html page88.html page98.html page84.html page5
+ Path Length : 7
+ Visited 10 nodes, starting @ intranet1/page1.html, using: beam search.

intranet 5 :
+ Reverse path : page62.html page72.html page95.html page96.html page87.html page8
+ Path Length : 12
+ Visited 29 nodes, starting @ intranet5/page1.html, using: beam search.

intranet 7 :
+ Visited 9 nodes, starting @ intranet7/page1.html, using: beam search.

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result

- Key: <number of nodes visited\> / <solution-path length\>
- best and beam are selected be Hvalue.
- beam width is 2.

Intranet#	breadth	depth	best	beam
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Intranet1	91/4	58/15	26/7	10/7
Intranet5	88/8	42/10	26/8	29/12
Intranet7	56/6	12/6	20/8	9/-

discussion

Task 2a)

Question: Is your heuristic admissible? Explain why or why not.

Answer: My heuristic function consist of 4 parts.

1. Percentage of all query words in one page.
2. Percentage of pattern query words in a hypertext.
3. Percentage of consecutive words in hypertext.
4. Score of the position of hypertext. (1 for the beginning, 0 for the ending)

I give them weights for 0.2, 0.3, 0.8, 0.2. And the summary are the H-value of one node.

I think the function is admissible. Because it provides correct choice for majority of situations. It is acceptable for human perceptions.

Task 2c)

Question: How well did your heuristic work on the sample intranets?

Answer: My heuristic works well on Intranet1 and Intranet5. It reduced the cost (# of visited nodes) significantly. Meanwhile, the solution path increased only several steps. So, the performance is good.

However, the heuristic didn't work well when compared with depth search on Intranet7 and it is the only drawback case. Depth-first Search may get good solution with a little cost. But it does not guarantee the low-cost solution. Best-first Search with Beam didn't get valid solution on Intranet7. It is because the beam width is only 2. And we may discard the correct branch at the beginning of the process.

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