

HomeWork-3 Report

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1. Crawling [Note down steps implemented for each of the below]

a. URL Canonicalization –

- i. The `canonicalize_url` function takes a URL and an optional base URL as input.
- ii. It converts the URL to lowercase and splits it into different components (protocol, hostname, port, and path).
- iii. It then constructs a canonical URL by combining the components back together, removing any unnecessary parts, and handling edge cases such as relative URLs and URLs without a protocol.
- iv. The function also maintains a cache (`canonicalize_url_map`) to avoid redundant computations for the same URL.
- v. It returns the canonicalized URL if it is a valid HTTP/HTTPS URL, and None otherwise.

b. Frontier Management

- i. The crawler uses a deque (frontier) to manage the frontier.
- ii. Initially, the seeds are added to the frontier after canonicalization and checking the robots.txt file.
- iii. During the crawling process, new URLs extracted from the fetched pages are added to the end of the frontier.
- iv. URLs are popped from the front of the frontier for processing.
- v. After a certain number of documents have been fetched (controlled by `num_of_docs_in_each_file`), the frontier is sorted based on the link scores, giving higher priority to more relevant URLs.

c. Politeness Policy

- i. The `robots_file_allowed` function checks the robots.txt file for a given URL to determine if the crawler is allowed to fetch the URL and what the specified crawl delay is.
- ii. The function maintains a cache (`robots_map`) to avoid redundant robots.txt file fetching for the same domain.
- iii. The `check_delay` function ensures that the crawler respects the crawl delay specified in the robots.txt file for each domain.
- iv. Some domains are blacklisted (`blocked_domains`) and skipped entirely.

d. Document Processing

- i. The `save_response` function fetches the content of a URL, checks if the response is valid (HTTP 200 and HTML content type), and processes the HTML content.
- ii. The `process_html_content` function extracts the title, links, and text content from the HTML using BeautifulSoup.
- iii. The extracted data is stored in various maps (`title_map`, `links_map`, `data_content_map`) for later use.
- iv. The function also checks if the page is in English.

2. Vertical Search

a. Add a Screenshot of your Vertical Search UI

Climate Change - Search Engine

Search Results for "global warming"

- [frontiers | projection of future climate change in the poyang lake basin of china under the global warming of 1.5â€³c](#)
- [egusphere - the 2018 west-central european drought projected in a warmer climate: how much drier can it get?](#)
- [emergent constraints on carbon budgets as a function of global warming | nature communications](#)
- [egusphere - esd ideas: arctic amplificationâ€™s contribution to breaches of the paris agreement](#)
- [climate change - rationalwiki](#)
- [roles of climate feedback and ocean vertical mixing in modulating global warming rate | climate dynamics](#)
- [prospects for a prolonged slowdown in global warming in the early 21st century | nature communications](#)
- [prospects for a prolonged slowdown in global warming in the early 21st century | nature communications](#)
- [future changes in rainy season characteristics over east china under continuous warming | climatic change](#)
- [polar amplification comparison among earthâ€™s three poles under different socioeconomic scenarios from cmip6 surface air temperature | scientific reports](#)

b. Explain briefly how you implemented it.

- Used Flask to run the application.
- Identified that the search should be matched with “text” in a doc.
- Got the search results from ES and displayed the title for each doc.
- When clicked on the doc it navigates to the page.

3. Extra Credits Done [Note done what was done for each extra credit]