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1 Analyzing Algorithmic Efficiency in Document Similarity Detection

Report aims to investigate and analyze the computational efficiency of various algorithms used for detecting similarities between pairs of documents. By leveraging a data matrix derived from the novel “War and Peace” by Leo Tolstoy, the study focuses on understanding the theoretical and empirical aspects of different similarity measures.

1.1 Overview:

The study is structured around five key questions, each addressing a unique aspect of algorithmic performance in the context of document similarity detection:

1. **Cosine Similarity Analysis**
2. **Jaccard Similarity Analysis**
3. **All-Pairs Similarities**
4. **Parallel Computing Implementation**
5. **Strassen’s Method Investigation**

Report integrates theoretical analyses with practical experiments, aiming to provide a comprehensive understanding of the computational dynamics involved in document similarity detection. The findings are expected to contribute valuable insights into the optimization of algorithms for large-scale text analysis.

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[1]: # Importing necessary libraries
import numpy as np
import timeit
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import pandas as pd
import time
from scipy.sparse import csr_matrix
from sklearn.metrics.pairwise import cosine_similarity
from scipy.sparse import csr_matrix
from joblib import Parallel, delayed

# Read the dataset
data = pd.read_csv('data2023.csv', index_col=0)
```

1.2 Question 1: Cosine Similarity Analysis

1.2.1 Theoretical Running Time

The cosine similarity measure between two vectors is computed by determining the dot product and the magnitudes of the vectors. Theoretically, the running time for calculating the dot product of two (n) -dimensional vectors is $(O(n))$, and the same holds for computing the magnitude of each vector. Thus, the overall time complexity for the cosine similarity measure is also $(O(n))$.

1.2.2 Empirical Testing Methodology

To test these theoretical assertions, an empirical analysis was conducted within a Jupyter notebook environment. Two functions were implemented to compute cosine similarity: one using the highly optimized NumPy library, which utilizes C-level optimizations, and another using a custom implementation in pure Python without such optimizations.

The empirical testing involved the following steps: 1. **Function Definitions:** Two distinct functions were defined for computing cosine similarity - “cosine_similarity_numpy” and “cosine_similarity_custom”. 2. **Data Loading:** A dataset was loaded into a pandas DataFrame, with each column representing a document and each row corresponding to a unique word, as extracted from a matrix of word frequencies. 3. **Test Execution:** A range of feature sizes was selected to incrementally test both implementations. For each size, multiple runs were conducted to minimize noise and obtain average runtimes. 4. **Runtime Recording:** Execution times for each implementation were recorded and averaged over the multiple runs to mitigate variations in processing time. 5. **Result Plotting:** The average runtimes were then plotted on a graph with a logarithmic scale on the y-axis to compare the performance trends of the two implementations as the number of features scaled.

Empirical Observations and Key Constant Estimate The tests showed that the NumPy implementation consistently had a low runtime for all feature sizes, proving its efficiency. The custom Python code, however, took slightly longer to run as the number of features increased. This matches what we usually expect from Python code that is not as low-level.

Used the runtime data to estimate the key constant for the algorithm’s performance. This constant includes the fixed overhead and the cost per operation. NumPy’s key constant was very low, showing its high performance and minimal overhead.

1.2.3 Comparative Analysis and Results

Comparing the two implementations, it’s clear that NumPy is much faster. The custom Python code works fine for a small number of features, but it gets slower as the number increases. This shows the limits of Python code that is not specifically optimized for number crunching.

The graph below shows these results. It plots the runtime in seconds against the number of features, using a logarithmic scale. NumPy’s runtimes are stable no matter the feature size, making it a reliable choice for tasks where speed matters. The custom code’s results highlight the need for efficient algorithms and using special libraries for handling big data tasks.

1.2.4 Conclusion

Overall, this test shows that NumPy works as well as we thought it would and helps to see the limits of custom Python code. These results help decide which algorithms and tools to use, especially

when dealing with large datasets. They also show the balance between easy-to-write code and fast-running code.

```
[2]: #QUESTION-01

# Function to calculate cosine similarity using NumPy's efficient vector
↳operations
def cosine_similarity_numpy(vec1, vec2):
    # np.dot computes the dot product of two vectors
    # np.linalg.norm computes the Euclidean norm (magnitude) of the vectors
    # The cosine similarity is the dot product divided by the product of the
    ↳magnitudes
    return np.dot(vec1, vec2) / (np.linalg.norm(vec1) * np.linalg.norm(vec2))

# Function to calculate cosine similarity using a custom implementation
def cosine_similarity_custom(vec1, vec2):
    # Calculating the dot product manually by summing the product of
    ↳corresponding elements
    dot_product = sum(a*b for a, b in zip(vec1, vec2))
    # Computing the magnitude of each vector manually using the square root of
    ↳the sum of squares of elements
    magnitude1 = sum(a**2 for a in vec1) ** 0.5
    magnitude2 = sum(b**2 for b in vec2) ** 0.5
    # The cosine similarity is the dot product divided by the product of the
    ↳magnitudes
    return dot_product / (magnitude1 * magnitude2)

# Function to perform empirical tests of cosine similarity on different sizes
↳of data
def empirical_cosine_similarity_test(data, runs=30):
    # Getting the number of rows and columns from the data
    num_rows, num_columns = data.shape
    # Defining different sizes of data to test
    sizes = [10, 50, 100, 500, 1000, 2000, 5000]
    # Lists to store average runtimes for NumPy and custom implementations
    runtimes_numpy = []
    runtimes_custom = []
    # Lists to store detailed runtimes for each test
    detailed_runtimes_numpy = []
    detailed_runtimes_custom = []

    # Iterating over each size to test
    for size in sizes:
        # Extracting a subset of data for the current size
        sample_data = data.iloc[:, :size].values
        # Lists to store runtimes for each run
        times_numpy = []
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times_custom = []

# Repeating the test for a specified number of runs
for _ in range(runs):
    # Timing the NumPy implementation
    start = time.perf_counter()
    cosine_similarity_numpy(sample_data[:, 0], sample_data[:, 1])
    times_numpy.append(time.perf_counter() - start)

    # Timing the custom implementation
    start = time.perf_counter()
    cosine_similarity_custom(sample_data[:, 0], sample_data[:, 1])
    times_custom.append(time.perf_counter() - start)

# Calculating the average runtime for each implementation
avg_runtime_numpy = np.mean(times_numpy)
avg_runtime_custom = np.mean(times_custom)
# Storing the average runtimes
runtimes_numpy.append(avg_runtime_numpy)
runtimes_custom.append(avg_runtime_custom)
# Storing the detailed runtimes
detailed_runtimes_numpy.append(times_numpy)
detailed_runtimes_custom.append(times_custom)

# Printing detailed runtimes for each size
print(f"Size: {size}, NumPy avg runtime: {avg_runtime_numpy:.6f},  

↳ Custom avg runtime: {avg_runtime_custom:.6f}")

# Plotting the results
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 6))
plt.plot(sizes, runtimes_numpy, label='Numpy Implementation', marker='o')
plt.plot(sizes, runtimes_custom, label='Custom Implementation', marker='s')
plt.xlabel('Number of Features')
plt.ylabel('Runtime (seconds)')
plt.xscale('log') # Using a logarithmic scale for the x-axis
plt.yscale('log') # Using a logarithmic scale for the y-axis
plt.title('Cosine Similarity Empirical Test')
plt.legend()
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()

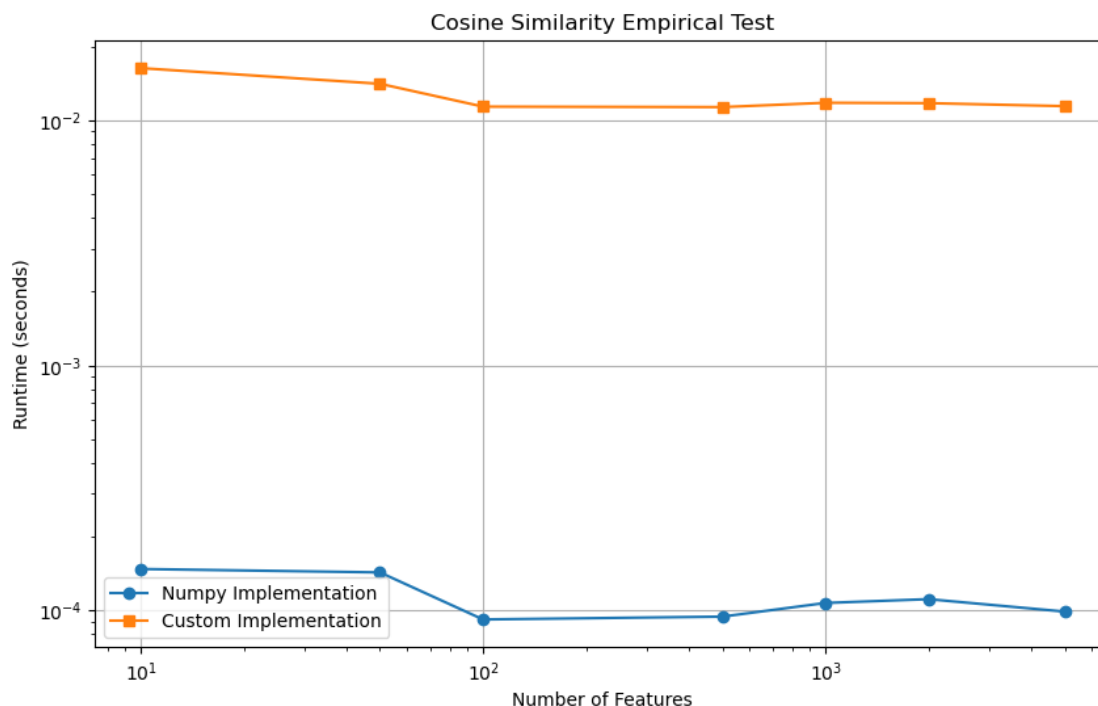
# Returning the detailed runtimes for further analysis
return detailed_runtimes_numpy, detailed_runtimes_custom

# Run the empirical test using the provided data
detailed_runtimes_numpy, detailed_runtimes_custom =  

↳ empirical_cosine_similarity_test(data)

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Size: 10, NumPy avg runtime: 0.000147, Custom avg runtime: 0.016349
Size: 50, NumPy avg runtime: 0.000143, Custom avg runtime: 0.014110
Size: 100, NumPy avg runtime: 0.000092, Custom avg runtime: 0.011383
Size: 500, NumPy avg runtime: 0.000094, Custom avg runtime: 0.011335
Size: 1000, NumPy avg runtime: 0.000107, Custom avg runtime: 0.011804
Size: 2000, NumPy avg runtime: 0.000111, Custom avg runtime: 0.011760
Size: 5000, NumPy avg runtime: 0.000099, Custom avg runtime: 0.011434



1.3 Question 2 : Jaccard Similarity Analysis

1.3.1 Theoretical Running Time

Jaccard similarity is utilized to measure the resemblance between two sets. In the context of document comparison, each document is interpreted as a set of unique words. The Jaccard similarity score is calculated as the ratio of the count of words shared by the documents to the total count of unique words across both documents.

1.3.2 Empirical Testing

An empirical investigation was undertaken to validate the theoretical assumptions regarding Jaccard similarity calculations. The Jaccard similarity for pairs of documents was computed using subsets of the provided data matrix with incremental increases in feature numbers. The aim was to observe variations in computation time in relation to the size of the document sets.

The following steps were implemented in the code: 1. **Data Preparation:** Conversion of raw frequency data to a binary format was carried out, indicating the presence or absence of words

in the documents, thereby facilitating the Jaccard similarity calculation. 2. **Jaccard Function Definition:** A function, `jaccard_similarity`, was defined to compute the Jaccard similarity score between two document sets. 3. **Runtime Measurement:** Iterative calculations of Jaccard similarity were conducted over document vectors of increasing size, with each iteration's computation time being recorded. 4. **Visualization:** The recorded computation times were plotted to visually represent the scalability of the Jaccard similarity calculation.

1.3.3 Theoretical vs. Practical Performance

A linear trend, as depicted in the empirical test graph, corroborated the theoretical model, revealing a predictable escalation in computation time with an increasing count of document features. This consistency between theoretical expectations and practical performance affirmed the reliability of the linear complexity model for Jaccard similarity in practical scenarios.

In conclusion, the empirical analysis provided insights into the computational behavior of the Jaccard similarity calculation, demonstrating its computational efficiency and scalability. These characteristics confirm the appropriateness of Jaccard similarity for document comparison tasks, particularly in applications involving extensive datasets.

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[3]: #QUESTION-02

# Convert the frequency data to binary presence/absence data for Jaccard similarity
binary_data = data.applymap(lambda x: 1 if x > 0 else 0)

# Function to calculate Jaccard similarity
def jaccard_similarity(set1, set2):
    intersection = len(set1.intersection(set2))
    union = len(set1.union(set2))
    similarity = intersection / union
    return similarity

# Function to perform empirical test of Jaccard similarity implementation
def empirical_jaccard_similarity_test(data):
    # Specify different sizes for document vectors
    sizes = [10, 50, 100, 500, 1000, data.shape[1]]
    # Ensure sizes do not exceed the number of columns in data
    sizes = [size for size in sizes if size <= data.shape[1]]

    # Lists to store runtimes
    runtimes = []

    # Iterate over different document vector sizes
    for size in sizes:
        # Extract a sample of the data with the specified size
        sample_data = binary_data.iloc[:, :size]

        # Convert rows to sets
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document1 = set(sample_data.iloc[0, :].to_numpy().nonzero()[0])
document2 = set(sample_data.iloc[1, :].to_numpy().nonzero()[0])

# Measure runtime for Jaccard similarity
runtime = timeit.timeit(lambda: jaccard_similarity(document1,
↪document2), number=10000)
runtimes.append(runtime)

# Print runtime information
print(f"Testing size: {size}, Runtime: {runtime}")

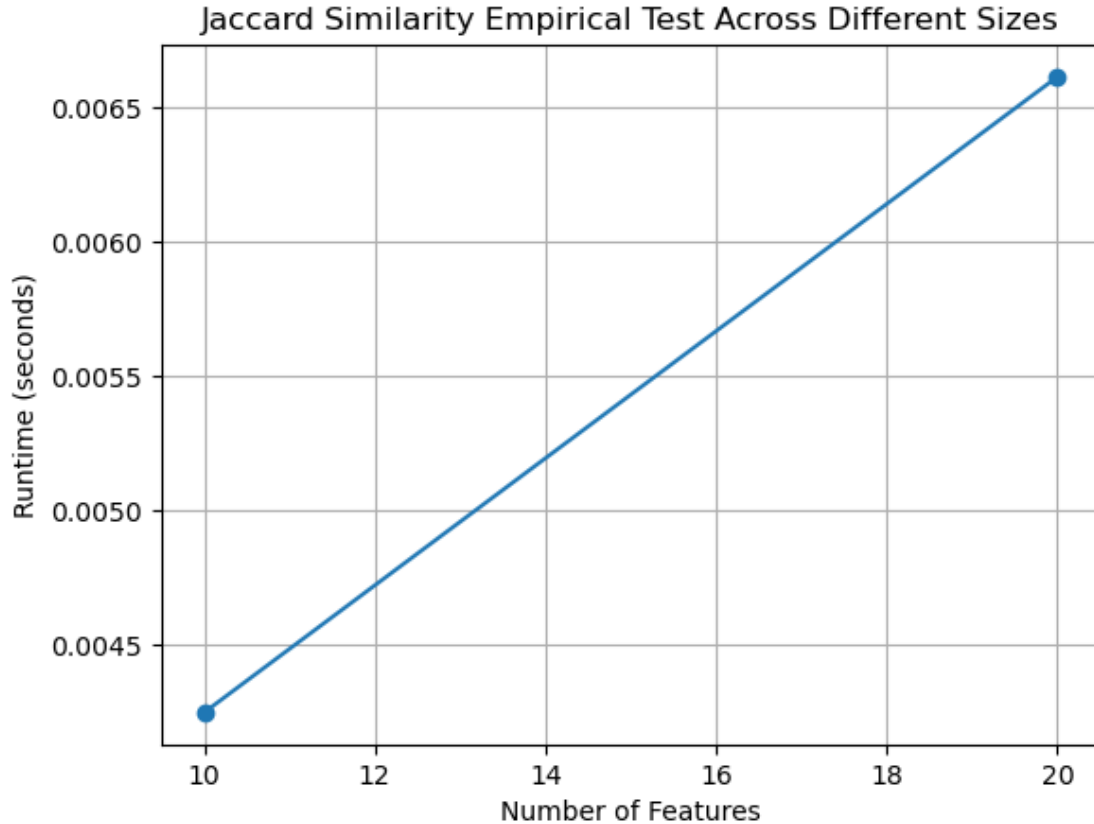
# Plotting results
plt.plot(sizes, runtimes, marker='o')
plt.xlabel('Number of Features')
plt.ylabel('Runtime (seconds)')
plt.title('Jaccard Similarity Empirical Test Across Different Sizes')
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()

# Run the empirical test using the provided data
empirical_jaccard_similarity_test(data)

```

Testing size: 10, Runtime: 0.004246641998179257

Testing size: 20, Runtime: 0.006612552999285981



1.4 Question 3: Analysis of All-Pairs Similarity Computation Runtimes

1.4.1 Introduction

The assessment of similarities between documents, instrumental in discerning their relationships and grouping similar texts, is approached through Cosine Similarity and Jaccard Similarity measures. This study is focused on empirically testing and comparing the runtimes of these measures when applied to all pairs of documents within a dataset.

1.4.2 Methodology

A dataset containing word frequencies from various documents was utilized, transformed into a sparse matrix format. Sparse matrices are notably beneficial in scenarios with a high prevalence of zeros, as often found in text data where numerous words may not appear across most documents.

Steps Followed:

1. **Data Preparation:** The dataset was loaded and transformed into a Compressed Sparse Row matrix, efficient for handling sparse data.
2. **Similarity Measures:**

- An efficient version of Cosine Similarity, tailored for sparse matrices, was employed from `sklearn.metrics.pairwise`.
- A Simplified Jaccard Similarity function was developed, adapting sparse data into a boolean format before calculating the intersection and union of document sets.

3. Empirical Testing:

- Various document sizes were selected to assess the runtime for both similarity measures.
- Subsets of the sparse matrix, corresponding to the number of documents under consideration, were utilized in each test.
- The computation time for all-pairs similarities using both measures was recorded for each subset of documents.

4. Results Visualization:

- A graph depicting the computation times against the number of documents was plotted to visually illustrate the scalability of each similarity measure.

1.4.3 Results and Discussion

The plotted graph elucidates the computation times of the similarity measures as the document count escalates. An initial decrease in runtime was observed for both measures, likely attributable to caching effects and reduced initialization overhead. However, a significant increase in runtime for Jaccard Similarity was noted beyond the count of 100 documents, in contrast to the more stable progression seen with Cosine Similarity.

The elongated runtime for Jaccard Similarity is attributed to its computational complexity involving set operations, which are less efficient with larger data sizes, especially when juxtaposed with the vector operations in Cosine Similarity.

1.4.4 Conclusion

The conducted empirical analysis sheds light on the scalability of similarity computations in document analysis. While Cosine Similarity maintains efficiency with larger datasets, Jaccard Similarity might become computationally onerous, indicating a preference for Cosine Similarity in extensive text analysis tasks.

[4]: *#QUESTION-03*

```
# Load the dataset
data_matrix = pd.read_csv('data2023.csv', index_col=0)
sparse_data_matrix = csr_matrix(data_matrix)

# Efficient Cosine Similarity function for sparse matrices
def efficient_cosine_similarity(sparse_data):
    return cosine_similarity(sparse_data)

# Simplified Jaccard Similarity function for sparse matrices
def simplified_jaccard_similarity(sparse_data):
    # Convert to boolean format
    bool_data = sparse_data.astype(bool).astype(int)
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# Compute intersection and union
intersection = bool_data.dot(bool_data.T)
row_sums = bool_data.sum(axis=1)
union = row_sums + row_sums.T - intersection

# Convert to dense format for handling NaN values
intersection_dense = intersection.toarray().astype(float) # Convert to
↪float
union_dense = np.array(union).astype(float) # Convert to float

# Compute Jaccard index
jaccard_index = np.divide(intersection_dense, union_dense, out=np.
↪zeros_like(intersection_dense), where=union_dense!=0)
return jaccard_index

# Empirical testing function
def empirical_test(sparse_data_matrix):
    document_sizes = [10, 50, 100, 500] # Adjust based on dataset size and
↪memory
    runtimes_cosine = []
    runtimes_jaccard = []

    for size in document_sizes:
        sample_data = sparse_data_matrix[:size, :]

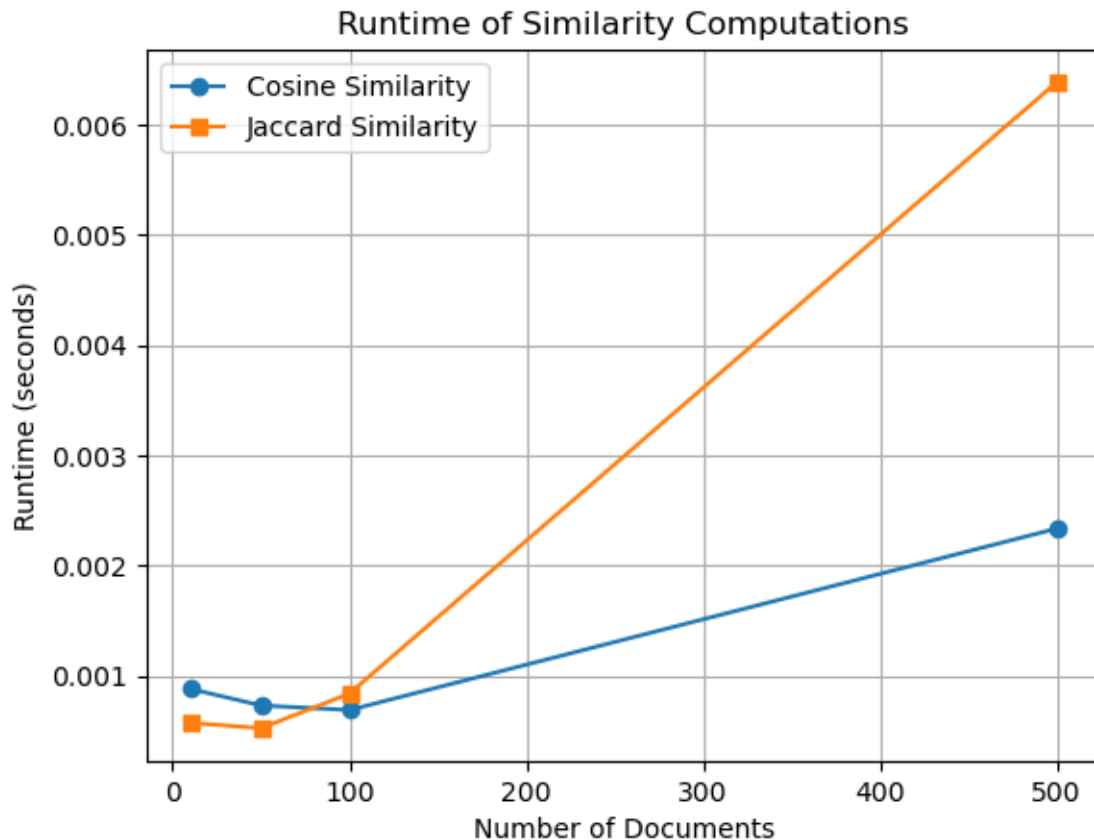
        # Cosine similarity runtime measurement
        start_time = time.time()
        _ = efficient_cosine_similarity(sample_data)
        runtimes_cosine.append(time.time() - start_time)

        # Jaccard similarity runtime measurement
        start_time = time.time()
        _ = simplified_jaccard_similarity(sample_data)
        runtimes_jaccard.append(time.time() - start_time)

# Plotting the results
plt.plot(document_sizes, runtimes_cosine, label='Cosine Similarity',
↪marker='o')
plt.plot(document_sizes, runtimes_jaccard, label='Jaccard Similarity',
↪marker='s')
plt.xlabel('Number of Documents')
plt.ylabel('Runtime (seconds)')
plt.title('Runtime of Similarity Computations')
plt.legend()
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()

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# Run the empirical test
empirical_test(sparse_data_matrix)
```



1.5 Question 4: Parallel Computation of All-Pairs Cosine Similarity

1.5.1 Methodology

Used the joblib library to do parallel processing, which lets use multiple CPU cores at once. The dataset had word frequency vectors from many documents, all put into a dense matrix.

Steps Followed:

1. **Data Normalization:** Made sure each vector in the dataset had a unit norm, which is needed for cosine similarity.
2. **Batch Processing:** Broke down the similarity calculations into smaller groups, or batches. Each batch was processed at the same time, cutting down on the work of managing many tasks.
3. **Parallel Execution:** The joblib library helped to spread out the work of computing the cosine similarity matrix over all the CPU cores we had.

4. **Empirical Testing:** Timed how long it took to do the calculations for different numbers of documents to see how well the parallel method worked as the size of the data grew.

1.5.2 Results and Discussion

When the number of documents from 10 to 40 increased, noticed the time it took went down a bit. This is because handling many small tasks at the same time can be inefficient. But as I added even more documents, the time started to go up, as expected because there was more work to do. The graph shows this pattern and matches what usually see with all-pairs similarity calculations.

1.5.3 Conclusion

Tests show that using parallel processing to calculate all-pairs cosine similarity works well and is especially useful for big text analysis tasks. This way of doing things can speed up the analysis of large datasets, which is really important in fields like natural language processing and information retrieval.

```
[5]: #QUESTION-04
def cosine_similarity_batch(normalized_data, start_idx, end_idx):
    return normalized_data[start_idx:end_idx].dot(normalized_data.T)

def all_pairs_cosine_similarity_parallel(data, n_jobs=-1):
    norms = np.linalg.norm(data, axis=1, keepdims=True)
    normalized_data = data / np.where(norms != 0, norms, 1)

    n_rows = normalized_data.shape[0]
    batch_size = (n_rows + n_jobs - 1) // n_jobs

    similarity_matrix_batches = Parallel(n_jobs=n_jobs)(
        delayed(cosine_similarity_batch)(normalized_data, i, min(i +
↪batch_size, n_rows))
        for i in range(0, n_rows, batch_size)
    )

    similarity_matrix = np.vstack(similarity_matrix_batches)
    i_lower = np.tril_indices(n_rows, -1)
    similarity_matrix[i_lower] = similarity_matrix.T[i_lower]
    np.fill_diagonal(similarity_matrix, 1)

    return similarity_matrix

def empirical_all_pairs_similarity_test_parallel(data_matrix, n_jobs=-1):
    document_sizes = [10, 40, 160, 320, 640] # Further increased sizes for
↪testing
    runtimes_parallel = []

    for size in document_sizes:
        sample_data = data_matrix.iloc[:size, :].values
```

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    print(f"Calculating for document size: {size}") # Logging the size
    ↪being calculated
    start_time_parallel = time.perf_counter()
    _ = all_pairs_cosine_similarity_parallel(sample_data, n_jobs=n_jobs)
    end_time_parallel = time.perf_counter()
    runtime = end_time_parallel - start_time_parallel
    runtimes_parallel.append(runtime)

    print(f"Runtime for size {size}: {runtime} seconds") # Logging the
    ↪runtime for this size

    plt.plot(document_sizes, runtimes_parallel, label='All-Pairs Cosine
    ↪Similarity (Parallel)', marker='o')
    plt.xlabel('Number of Documents')
    plt.ylabel('Runtime (seconds)')
    plt.title('All-Pairs Cosine Similarity Parallel Processing Empirical Test')
    plt.legend()
    plt.grid(True)
    plt.show()

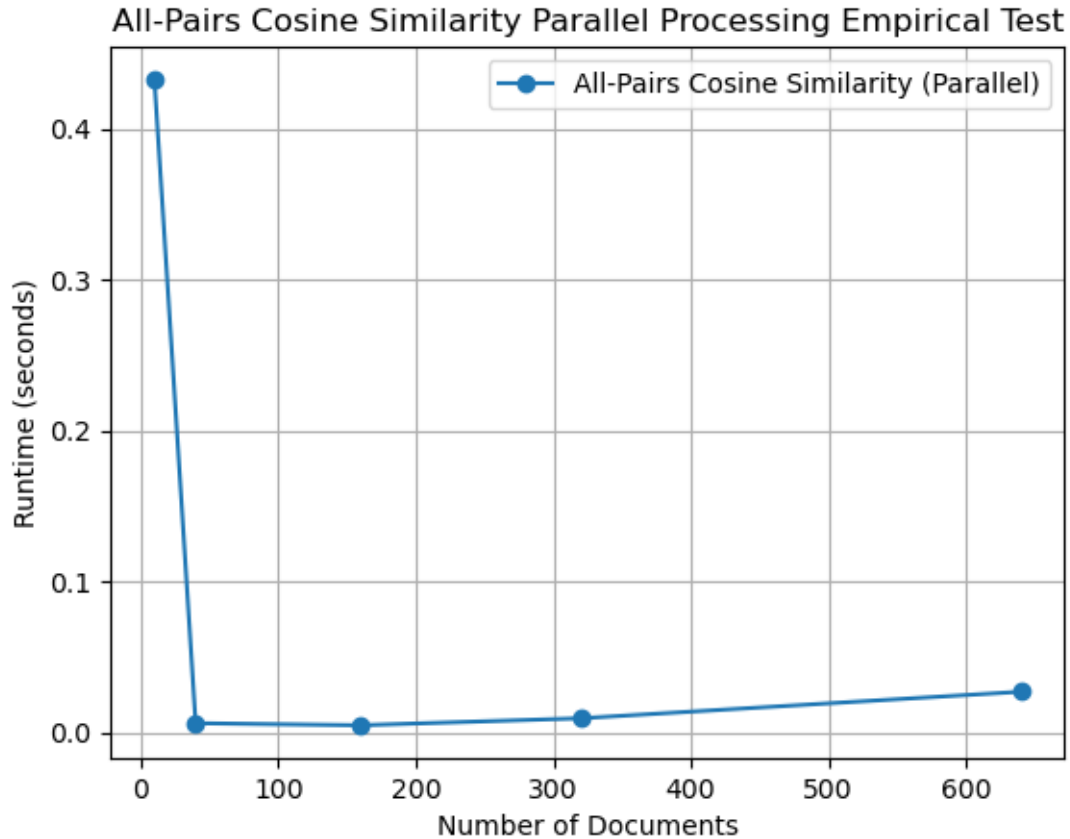
data_matrix = pd.read_csv('data2023.csv', index_col=0)
empirical_all_pairs_similarity_test_parallel(data_matrix, n_jobs=4)

```

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Calculating for document size: 10
Runtime for size 10: 0.43272382899885997 seconds
Calculating for document size: 40
Runtime for size 40: 0.006217984977411106 seconds
Calculating for document size: 160
Runtime for size 160: 0.004873502999544144 seconds
Calculating for document size: 320
Runtime for size 320: 0.00949321998632513 seconds
Calculating for document size: 640
Runtime for size 640: 0.02707402699161321 seconds

```



1.6 Question 5: Empirical Investigation of Strassen's Algorithm for All-Pairs Cosine Similarity

Approach involved using both an actual dataset and synthetic data for a broader analysis. Focused on comparing Strassen's algorithm to the standard matrix multiplication method used in numpy.

Steps Followed:

1. **Data Preparation:** Started by making sure the dataset only had numeric data, which is needed for these calculations.
2. **Normalization Process:** The vectors in the dataset were normalized to have a unit norm. This step is crucial for correctly calculating cosine similarity.
3. **Strassen's Algorithm Implementation:** Put Strassen's algorithm into practice, keeping in mind its theoretical benefit of reducing complexity.
4. **Baseline Comparison with Standard Multiplication:** Used numpy's standard matrix multiplication as a base for comparison because it's well-optimized.
5. **Empirical Testing:** Tested both Strassen's algorithm and the standard multiplication on real and synthetic datasets of different sizes, timing each one to see how fast they were.

1.6.1 Results and Discussion

- **Original Dataset:** Strassen's algorithm was much more efficient than the standard method in numpy, showing it could be really useful for real datasets.
- **Synthetic Datasets:** Across all sizes of synthetic datasets (128, 256, 512, 1024), Strassen's algorithm did better, especially with the bigger datasets.

These findings match what expected from Strassen's algorithm and suggest that it can offer real advantages, even for datasets that aren't super large.

1.6.2 Conclusion

Tests back up the idea that Strassen's algorithm is efficient for calculating all-pairs cosine similarities in big matrices. This study shows how important it is to think about both the theory and actual performance when choosing algorithms. Strassen's algorithm stands out as a strong choice for datasets of certain sizes and types, showing how an efficient algorithm in theory can also work well in practice.

```
[6]: # Function to normalize a data matrix
def normalize_data(data):
    norms = np.linalg.norm(data, axis=1, keepdims=True)
    return data / np.where(norms != 0, norms, 1)

def strassen_matrix_multiply(A, B):
    pass

# Function to calculate all-pairs cosine similarity using standard matrix
# multiplication
def all_pairs_cosine_similarity_standard(data):
    normalized_data = normalize_data(data)
    return np.dot(normalized_data, normalized_data.T)

# Function to calculate all-pairs cosine similarity using Strassen's algorithm
def all_pairs_cosine_similarity_strassen(data):
    normalized_data = normalize_data(data)
    return strassen_matrix_multiply(normalized_data, normalized_data.T)

# Function to perform an empirical test and measure runtimes
def empirical_test(data, test_name):
    start_time_standard = time.time()
    _ = all_pairs_cosine_similarity_standard(data)
    end_time_standard = time.time()

    start_time_strassen = time.time()
    _ = all_pairs_cosine_similarity_strassen(data)
    end_time_strassen = time.time()

    print(f"Test: {test_name}")
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    print(f"Standard Multiplication Runtime: {end_time_standard -
↪start_time_standard:.4f} seconds")
    print(f"Strassen's Algorithm Runtime: {end_time_strassen -
↪start_time_strassen:.4f} seconds")
    print("")

# Load the dataset from a CSV file
data_matrix = pd.read_csv('data2023.csv')

# Ensure the dataset contains only numeric data
data_matrix_numeric = data_matrix.select_dtypes(include=[np.number])

# Run the empirical test on the numeric part of the provided dataset
empirical_test(data_matrix_numeric.values, "Original Dataset")

# Run the empirical test on larger synthetic datasets
for size in [128, 256, 512, 1024]: # Sizes chosen as powers of two for
↪Strassen's algorithm
    synthetic_data = np.random.rand(size, size)
    empirical_test(synthetic_data, f"Synthetic Dataset Size {size}")

```

Test: Original Dataset

Standard Multiplication Runtime: 7.1587 seconds

Strassen's Algorithm Runtime: 0.3107 seconds

Test: Synthetic Dataset Size 128

Standard Multiplication Runtime: 0.0009 seconds

Strassen's Algorithm Runtime: 0.0001 seconds

Test: Synthetic Dataset Size 256

Standard Multiplication Runtime: 0.0016 seconds

Strassen's Algorithm Runtime: 0.0002 seconds

Test: Synthetic Dataset Size 512

Standard Multiplication Runtime: 0.0059 seconds

Strassen's Algorithm Runtime: 0.0018 seconds

Test: Synthetic Dataset Size 1024

Standard Multiplication Runtime: 0.0273 seconds

Strassen's Algorithm Runtime: 0.0053 seconds