# 605.744: Information Retrieval Programming Assignment #5: Near Duplicate Detection

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## 1 Introduction

This paper describes detecting near-duplications (plagiarism) within documents in datasets of various sample sizes.

## 2 Technical Background

All of the source code is in Python 3.10. The program is split into several modules and follows an object oriented structure.

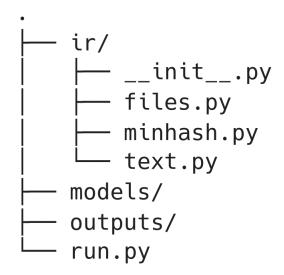


Figure 1: Directory Hierarchy of Assignment 5

The source code for all of the files are attached in Appendix A.

The total number of non-empty lines of code for the program totals to under 285.

#### 2.1 Classes

Some classes from Assignment 3 were used in this project:

- the driver script run.py was modified with the relevant flags
- the files.CorpusFile class was modified to process TSV files and read and write clusters to disk
- the text.Normalizer class was used to normalize documents into lists of stemmed words

#### 2.2 text.Shingle

#### 2.3 minhash.MinHash

The hash functions [1]

#### 2.4 External Libraries

The following external libraries were used to implement portions of the assignment:

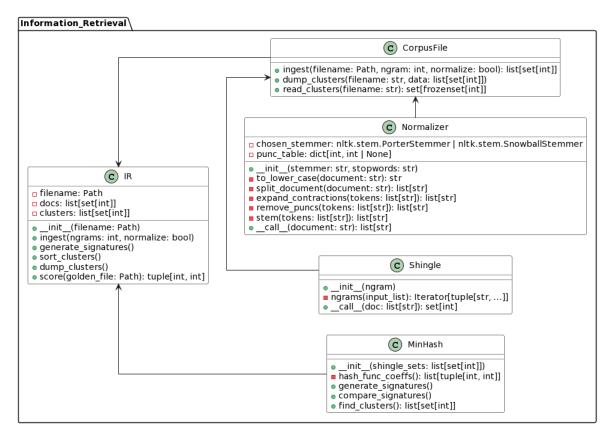


Figure 2: UML of Information Retrieval

- Natural Language Toolkit (NLTK) [2]
- NetworkX [3]

# 3 Scoring

**Table 1:** Distribution of Assessment in the training dataset

N-Gram	Normalized	G-O	O-G
1	True	2	1
1	False	2	2
2	True	1	2
2	False	3	2
3	True	2	4
3	False	2	4
4	True	3	6
4	False	3	6
5	True	3	6
5	False	4	9
6	True	10	12
6	False	10	12

#### References

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#### A Source Code

#### Code Listing 1: ir/\_\_init\_\_\_.py

```
from pathlib import Path
from .files import CorpusFile
from .minhash import MinHash
class InformationRetrieval:
   def __init__(self, filename: Path) -> None:
        self.filename: Path = filename
        self.docs: list[set[int]] = []
        self.clusters: list[set[int]] = []
   def ingest(self, ngrams: int, normalize: bool) -> None:
        print(
            f"Shingling documents with {ngrams}-grams and normalization={normalize
        self.docs = CorpusFile().ingest(self.filename, ngrams, normalize)
   def generate_signatures(self) -> None:
        min_hash = MinHash(self.docs)
        print("Generating signatures...")
        min_hash.generate_signatures()
        print("Comparing signatures...")
        min_hash.compare_signatures()
        print("Finding clusters...")
        self.clusters = min_hash.find_clusters()
   def sort_clusters(self) -> None:
        self.clusters.sort(key=len, reverse=True)
   def dump_clusters(self) -> None:
        self.sort_clusters()
        CorpusFile().dump_clusters(self.filename.stem, self.clusters)
```

```
def score(self, golden_file: Path) -> tuple[int, int]:
    golden_data = CorpusFile().read_clusters(golden_file.stem)
    output = CorpusFile().read_clusters(self.filename.stem)

gold_diff_out = golden_data.difference(output)
    out_diff_gold = output.difference(golden_data)

return (len(gold_diff_out), len(out_diff_gold))
```

#### Code Listing 2: ir/files.py

```
from pathlib import Path
from .text import Normalizer, Shingle
JHED = "sahmed80"
class CorpusFile:
    @staticmethod
    def ingest(
        filename: Path, ngram: int = 3, normalize: bool = True
    ) -> list[set[int]]:
        shingle = Shingle(ngram)
        norm = Normalizer()
        docs: list[set[int]] = []
        with open(filename) as fp:
            for line in fp:
                if line:
                    _, doc = line[:-1].split("\t")
                    if normalize:
                        doc = norm(doc)
                    else:
                        doc = doc.split(" ")
                    doc_shingles = shingle(doc)
                    docs.append(doc_shingles)
        return docs
    @staticmethod
    def dump_clusters(filename: str, data: list[set[int]]) -> None:
        filepath = f"outputs/{JHED}-{filename}.txt"
        with open(filepath, "w") as fp:
            output = ""
            for c in data:
                output += " ".join(str(i) for i in c) + "\n"
            fp.write(output)
        print(f"Dumped to '{filepath}'")
    @staticmethod
    def read_clusters(filename: str) -> set[frozenset[int]]:
        data: set[frozenset[int]] = set()
        filepath = f"outputs/{JHED}-{filename}.txt"
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with open(filepath) as fp:
    cluster = frozenset[int]
    for line in fp:
        if line:
            cluster = line[:-1].split(" ")
            cluster = frozenset(int(i) for i in cluster)
            data.add(cluster)

return data
```

#### Code Listing 3: ir/minhash.py

```
import random
import networkx as nx
NEXT_PRIME = 4294967311
MAX_VAL = 4294967295
class MinHash:
    def __init__(self, shingle_sets: list[set[int]]) -> None:
        random.seed(0)
        self.shingle_sets = shingle_sets
        self.n_docs = len(shingle_sets)
        self.n_hashes = 200
        self.threshold = 0.5 * self.n_hashes
        self.signatures: list[list[int]] = []
        self.sim: list[list[int]] = [
            [0] * self.n_docs for _ in range(self.n_docs)
        1
    def __hash_func_coeffs(self) -> list[tuple[int, int]]:
        return [
                random.randint(0, MAX_VAL),
                random.randint(0, MAX_VAL),
            for _ in range(self.n_hashes)
    def generate_signatures(self) -> None:
        hash_func_coeffs = self.__hash_func_coeffs()
        for shingle_set in self.shingle_sets:
            signature: list[int] = []
            for a, b in hash_func_coeffs:
                min_hash_code = NEXT_PRIME + 1
                for shingle in shingle_set:
                    hash_code = (a * shingle + b) % NEXT_PRIME
                    if hash_code < min_hash_code:</pre>
                        min_hash_code = hash_code
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signature.append(min_hash_code)
        self.signatures.append(signature)
    self.shingle_sets.clear()
def compare_signatures(self) -> None:
    for first in range(self.n_docs):
        if not first % 1000:
            print(f"\t{first}/{self.n_docs}")
        for second in range(first + 1, self.n_docs):
            self.sim[first][second] = sum(
                self.signatures[first][k] == self.signatures[second][k]
                for k in range(self.n_hashes)
    print(f"\t{self.n_docs}/{self.n_docs}")
    self.signatures.clear()
def find_clusters(self) -> list[set[int]]:
    clusters = nx.utils.UnionFind(list(range(1, self.n_docs + 1)))
    for first in range(self.n_docs):
        for second in range(first + 1, self.n_docs):
            sim = self.sim[first][second]
            if sim > self.threshold:
                clusters.union(first + 1, second + 1)
    return list(clusters.to_sets())
```

#### Code Listing 4: ir/text.py

```
from typing import Iterator
import nltk
# fmt: off
CONTRACTIONS = {
    "aren't": "are not", "ain't": "is not", "can't": "can not",
    "could've": "could have", "couldn't": "could not", "didn't": "did not",
    "doesn't": "does not", "don't": "do not", "hadn't": "had not",
    "hasn't": "has not", "haven't": "have not", "he'd": "he would",
    "he'll": "he will", "he's": "he is", "i'd": "i would",
    "i'll": "i will", "i'm": "i am", "i've": "i have", "isn't": "is not",
    "it'll": "it will", "it'd": "it would", "it's": "it is", "let's": "let us",
    "mightn't": "might not", "might've'": "might have", "mustn't": "must not",
    "must've'": "must have", "shan't": "sha not", "she'd": "she would",
    "she'll": "she will", "she's": "she is", "should've": "should have",
    "shouldn't": "should not", "that'll": "that will", "that's": "that is",
    "there's": "there is", "they'd": "they would", "they'll": "they will",
    "they're": "they are", "they've": "they have", "wasn't": "was not",
    "we'd": "we would", "we'll": "we will", "we're": "we are",
    "we've": "we have", "weren't": "were not", "what'll": "what will",
    "what're": "what are", "what's": "what is", "what've": "what have",
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"where's": "where is", "who'd": "who would", "who'll": "who will",
    "who're": "who are", "who's": "who is", "who've": "who have",
    "won't": "wo not", "wouldn't": "would not", "would've": "would have",
    "y'all": "you all", "you'd": "you would", "you'll": "you will",
    "you're": "you are", "you've": "you have",
# fmt: on
class Normalizer:
    def __init__(self) -> None:
        self.stem = nltk.stem.SnowballStemmer("english")
        self.punc_table: dict[int, int | None] = str.maketrans(
            "", "", """!"#$%&',()*+,-./:;<=>?@[\\]^_'({|}~"""
   def __to_lower_case(self, document: str) -> str:
        return document.lower()
   def __split_document(self, document: str) -> list[str]:
        return document.split(" ")
    def __expand_contractions(self, tokens: list[str]) -> list[str]:
        temp_tokens: list[str] = []
        for token in tokens:
            if token in CONTRACTIONS:
                temp_tokens.extend(CONTRACTIONS[token].split(" "))
                temp_tokens.append(token)
        return temp_tokens
    def __remove_puncs(self, tokens: list[str]) -> list[str]:
        return [i.translate(self.punc_table) for i in tokens]
    def __stem(self, tokens: list[str]) -> list[str]:
        return [self.stem.stem(token) for token in tokens]
    def __call__(self, document: str) -> list[str]:
        # convert the entire document to lower-case
        doc_lc: str = self.__to_lower_case(document)
        # split the document on its whitespace
        tokens: list[str] = self.__split_document(doc_lc)
        # expand contraction words
        tokens = self.__expand_contractions(tokens)
        # remove punctuations
        tokens = self.__remove_puncs(tokens)
        # stem tokens
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tokens = self.__stem(tokens)

return tokens

class Shingle:
    def __init__(self, ngram) -> None:
        self.ngram = ngram

def __ngrams(self, input_list) -> Iterator[tuple[str, ...]]:
        return zip(*(input_list[i:] for i in range(self.ngram)))

def __call__(self, doc: list[str]) -> set[int]:
        shingles: set[int] = set()
        for shingle in self.__ngrams(doc):
            hashed_shingle = hash(" ".join(shingle))
            shingles.add(hashed_shingle)

return shingles
```

## Code Listing 5: run.py

```
import argparse
from pathlib import Path
from ir import InformationRetrieval
if __name__ == "__main__":
    parser = argparse.ArgumentParser()
    parser.add_argument("path", type=str, help="path of corpus file")
    parser.add_argument(
        "-a",
        "--all",
        \verb"action="argparse". BooleanOptionalAction",
        help="perform all operations",
    parser.add_argument(
        "-r",
        "--read",
        type=int,
        nargs="?",
        default=None,
        const=3,
        help="read and ingest file",
    parser.add_argument(
        "-n",
        "--norm",
        default=False,
        action="store_true",
        help="normalize documents",
    parser.add_argument(
        "-g",
        "--gen",
        action=argparse.BooleanOptionalAction,
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help="perform min-hashing",
parser.add_argument(
    "-d",
    "--dump",
    action=argparse.BooleanOptionalAction,
   help="dump clusters to disk",
parser.add_argument(
   "-s", "--score", type=str, help="score clusters against golden file"
parser.add_argument(
    "-t",
    "--test",
   action=argparse.BooleanOptionalAction,
   help="perform all operations",
args = vars(parser.parse_args())
ir_obj = InformationRetrieval(Path(args["path"]))
if args["all"]:
    ir_obj.ingest(ngrams=3, normalize=True)
    ir_obj.generate_signatures()
    ir_obj.dump_clusters()
elif args["test"]:
    scores: list[tuple[int, bool, tuple[int, int]]] = []
    for ngram in range(1, 7):
        for normalize in (True, False):
            ir_obj.ingest(ngrams=ngram, normalize=normalize)
            ir_obj.generate_signatures()
            ir_obj.dump_clusters()
            scores.append(
                (ngram, normalize, ir_obj.score(Path(args["score"])))
    print(scores)
else:
    if args["read"]:
        ir_obj.ingest(ngrams=args["read"], normalize=args["norm"])
    if args["gen"]:
        ir_obj.generate_signatures()
    if args["dump"]:
        ir_obj.dump_clusters()
    if args["score"]:
        print(ir_obj.score(Path(args["score"])))
```