Homework 4: Comprehensions, Text as Vectors, Tests

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In this exercise you will:

- Practice list and dictionary comprehensions in Python
- Review how to represent documents as vectors, and compare similarities
- Get some hands-on experience using the python doctest and unittest frameworks

Exercise 1: List, Set and Dictionary Comprehensions in Python [2.5 points]

In this exercise you will solve 5 Tasks to practice a powerful feature of Python: comprehensions. With these, multiple-line for-loop constructions can be expressed in expressive one-liners.

Solve the following tasks given in comprehensions.py. You can test the functionality of your code calling (from your ./src directory):

python3 -m unittest -v hw04_text_search/test_comprehensions.py

- 1. Complete the function multiply_by(x, list1) that multiplies each value in a list by x and returns it as a new list. [0.5 points]
- 2. Complete the function check_division(x, list1) that takes a list and returns a list indicating whether or not each element in the original list can be divided by x (e.g check_division(3, [1,2,3]) -> [False, False, True]) [0.5 points]
- 3. Complete the function div_less(set1). It should return a new set containing only those numbers from set1 that can't be divided by any other number from set1 (except one and itself) [0.5 points]
- 4. Implement the function map_zip(list1, list2). It should return a dictionary mapping the *nth* element in list1 to the *nth* element in list2. Make use of the zip() function in your dictionary comprehension, that can handle lists of different sizes automatically.

5. Complete the function word_to_length(list1). It returns a dictionary mapping all words with at least 3 characters to their number of characters. [0.5 points]

Exercise 2: Search Engine: Running the code

In the source folder for this exercise (src/hw04_text_search), you will find the classes to represent documents, and a simple search engine, which were discussed in the lecture (text_vectors.py). There is also a script to interactively search all *.txt files in a directory (interactive_search.py). Try to understand what each of the classes are doing.

On the course homepage, you can find a dataset of corporate emails¹, containing several folders of spam or normal (ham) emails. Download and unpack it into the src/data/folder of your project. Run the interactive search on a email folder (always call scripts from the src/ folder):

python3 -m hw04_text_search.interactive_search --dir data/enron/enron1/ham/

Exercise 3: Doctest and documentation

Exercise 3.1: Doctest [2 points]

Use the doctest module to write tests for the functions dot and normalized_tokens in the module hw04_text_search.text_vectors.

Run your tests with:

python3 -m doctest -v hw04_text_search/text_vectors.py

Exercise 3.2: Docstrings [5.5 points]

Provide docstring documentation for all member functions (including constructors) of the classes TextDocument, DocumentCollection and SearchEngine in the same module.

Exercise 4: Extending the program using test-driven development [9 points]

Improve the program by adding additional functionality. Use the unittest framework, and extend the module hw04_text_search.test_text_search. You should add tests that initially fail, and only pass once you successfully added the missing functionality.

Have a look at the example for a test given with:

DocumentCollectionTest.test_unknown_word_cosine
This test fails, as you can verify by running:
python3 -m unittest -v hw04_text_search/test_text_search.py

 Make the existing test pass by changing the functionality of DocumentCollection.cosine_similarity accordingly. [1 point]

 $[\]overline{\,\,}$ See https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Enron_Corpus for the history of this dataset

• Write 4 additional tests that initially fail, and then pass after some functionality of (any part of) the initial code has been changed/extended. In order to get full credits, your test must fail on the initial code, and pass on the changed code that you check in. The test must also contain a short docstring describing what is being tested. [8 points]

You can come up with your own improvements to the code, or you can choose from the following list (in each case also write the appropriate test):

- The search engine displays text snippets including line break. Change the functionality such that lines are displayed without line breaks.
- Remove the indentation markers of reply emails (e.g. "> > > ") (either when reading or when displaying).
- If several search terms occur in a document, the search engine displays several text snippets (one for each). Change the code such that only one text snippet is displayed, if it contains the entire search string.
- Query syntax: if tokens are quoted ("New York"), require that full string occurs in the document (hint: additionally filter result of docs_with_tokens)
- Snippets should show exact matches of query tokens, not substring matches.
- Files to index should recursively be read from subdirectories.
- When the file path is shown for search result, normalize it so that the full absolute path is shown.
- If there is no result containing all tokens, search for documents containing at least one of the tokens.
- If a query contains the same token multiple times, only show one text snippet for it.