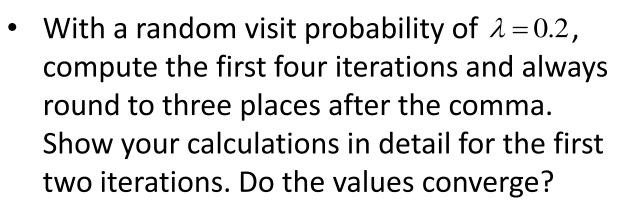
Search Engines Exercise 4: Text Processing

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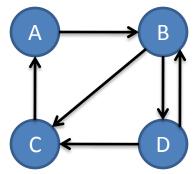


Task 1: PageRank

- Apply the PageRank algorithm to *our internet*.
- Iteration 0: PageRank is equally distributed before the first iteration: PR(A)=PR(B)=PR(C)=PR(D)=1/4



Our internet





Task 2: Stemming

- Select a German and an English text (from the texts you chose in the last exercise). Process both texts using two stemmers: The Porter stemmer and the German stemmer from Snowball (<u>http://snowball.tartarus.org/</u>).
- For each text, find 5 examples of differences in the stemming (with the different stemmers) that could have an impact on ranking.
- Give example queries for which you would expect different results. (Optional)



Task 3: Text Processing

- Text processing techniques have an important impact on information retrieval.
- Their contribution is not always apparent (improving the IR performance).
- They provide benefits that go beyond quantitative metrics to support broader tasks and richer experiences.
- This is a brainstorming task to find the role of text processing techniques in search engines.



Task 3: Text Processing

For <u>each</u> of the following techniques, give an example, a new idea, or a new challenge which shows how the technique can contribute in information retrieval:

- Language Modeling (N-grams)
- Machine Translation
- Named Entity Recognition
- Parsing
- Part of Speech Tagging
- Relationship Extraction
- Stemming
- Spell Correction
- Summarization
- Text Categorization
- Word Prediction
- Word Sense Disambiguation



Task 3: Text Processing

Example for Language Modeling (N-grams):

new companies in York

companies in New York

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