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A*

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AIM:

To implement A* search algorithm for finding shortest path between two nodes in a graph. based on cost from start node and heuristic value that estimate function cost to the goal.

ALGORITHM:

Step - 1: Start.

Step - 2: Initialize list (Priority queue) with start node and its $f_cost = 0$.

Step - 3: Create g_cost to track the lowest known cost for start node to each node, starting with 0.

Step - 4: Use came-from to store the parent of each node for path construction.

Step - 5: Loop until the list is empty.

Step - 6: Return the reconstructed path if the goal is reached
(or) No path exists.

Step - 7: Stop.

CODE:

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import heapq  
def a_star_search(graph, start, goal, heuristic):
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    open_list = []
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    heapq.heappush(open_list, (0, start))
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    g_cost = {start: 0}
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    came_from = {start: None}
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while open_list:

current_f_cost, current_node = heapq.heappop(open_list)

if current_node == goal:

return reconstruct_path(came_from, current_node)

for neighbor, cost in graph[current_node]:

tentative_g_cost = g_cost[current_node] + cost

if neighbor not in g_cost or tentative_g_cost < g_cost[neighbor]:

g_cost[neighbor] = tentative_g_cost

f_cost = tentative_g_cost + heuristic[neighbor]

heapq.heappush(open_list, (f_cost, neighbor))

came_from[neighbor] = current_node

return None

def reconstruct_path(came_from, current):

total_path = [current]

while current in came_from and came_from[current] is not None:

current = came_from[current]

total_path.append(current)

return total_path[::-1]

if __name__ == '__main__':

graph = {'A': [('B', 1), ('C', 4)],

'B': [('A', 1), ('D', 2), ('E', 5)],

'C': [('A', 4), ('F', 3)],

'D': [('B', 2)],

'E': [('B', 5), ('F', 1)],

'F': [('C', 3), ('E', 1)]

}

heuristic = { 'A': 7, 'B': 6, 'C': 2, 'D': 6, 'E': 1,
 'F': 0 }

start_node = 'A'

goal_node = 'F'

path = a_star_search(graph, start_node, goal_node,
 heuristic)

if path:

 print('Path found: { }'.format(' → '.join(path)))

else:

 print('No path found.'))

Output:

Path found: A → C → F

RESULT:

The ~~program~~ has been successfully executed
and the output is verified.