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1 Demo 1: A* Search for Shortest Path in Romania Map

1.1 Step 1: Import Libraries

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[1]: #Libraries: pandas, pyplot, heapq, numpy, networkx
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import heapq
import numpy as np
import networkx as nx
```

1.2 Step 2: Read Datas

Read the .csv file, to get the x and y coordinate, and the matrix

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[2]: #coordinates
df_cities = pd.read_csv("./data/cities_coordinates.csv")
print(df_cities.head())
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	LocationName	LocationX	LocationY
0	Arad	91	492
1	Bucharest	400	327
2	Craiova	253	288
3	Drobeta	165	299
4	Eforie	562	293

```
[3]: #matrix
df_matrix = pd.read_csv("./data/cities_correlation_matrix.csv")
print(df_matrix.head())
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	City Name	Arad	Bucharest	Craiova	Drobeta	Eforie	Fagaras	Giurgiu	\
0	Arad	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
1	Bucharest	0	0	0	0	0	211	90	
2	Craiova	0	0	0	120	0	0	0	
3	Drobeta	0	0	120	0	0	0	0	
4	Eforie	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

	Hirsova	Iasi	...	Mehadia	Neamt	Oradea	Pitesti	Rimnicu	Sibiu	\
0	0.0	0	...	0	0	0	0	0	140	

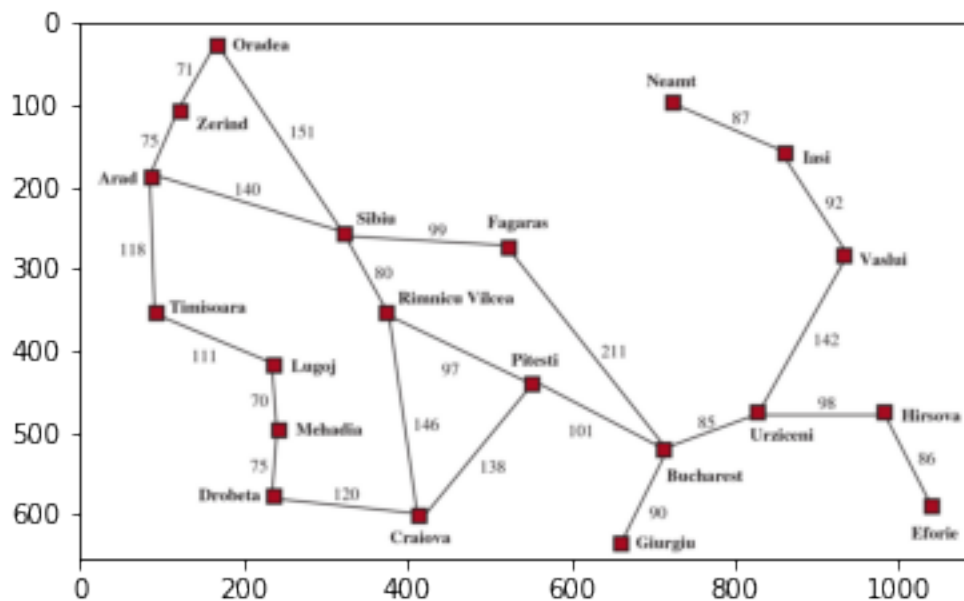
1	0.0	0	...	0	0	0	101	0	0
2	0.0	0	...	0	0	0	138	146	0
3	0.0	0	...	75	0	0	0	0	0
4	86.0	0	...	0	0	0	0	0	0

	Timisoara	Urziceni	Vaslui	Zerind
0	118	0	0	75
1	0	85	0	0
2	0	0	0	0
3	0	0	0	0
4	0	0	0	0

[5 rows x 21 columns]

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[4]: #image
img = plt.imread("./image/Romania-map.PNG")
plt.imshow(img)
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[4]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7fec18e3c6d8>



Use a dictionary to store cities with locations

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[5]: #Create dictionary
cities = {}
#Get LocationName, LocationX and LocationY
city_name = df_cities["LocationName"]
locationX = df_cities["LocationX"]
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locationY = df_cities["LocationY"]
#use zip() to combine location x and y into (x, y)
location = zip(locationX, locationY)
#use update() to add {name:(x, y)} items into dictionary
for name, coordinate in zip(city_name, location):
    cities.update({name : coordinate})
#view
cities

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[5]: {'Arad': (91, 492),
      'Bucharest': (400, 327),
      'Craiova': (253, 288),
      'Drobeta': (165, 299),
      'Eforie': (562, 293),
      'Fagaras': (305, 449),
      'Giurgiu': (375, 270),
      'Hirsova': (534, 350),
      'Iasi': (473, 506),
      'Lugoj': (165, 379),
      'Mehadia': (168, 339),
      'Neamt': (406, 537),
      'Oradea': (131, 571),
      'Pitesti': (320, 368),
      'Rimnicu': (233, 410),
      'Sibiu': (207, 457),
      'Timisoara': (94, 410),
      'Urziceni': (456, 350),
      'Vaslui': (509, 444),
      'Zerind': (108, 531)}

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Use a list with tuple to store the matrix

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[6]: #Define the list
neighbours = []

#Store the neighbour tuples into the list
for i in range(df_matrix.shape[0]):
    #x is each line in the matrix
    x = df_matrix.iloc[i, : ]
    #relationKey is the first city's name
    relationKey = x.iloc[0]
    #iterate all city names
    for j in range(1, df_matrix.shape[1]):
        #Find cities which are linked and not a previous city
        if j > i and x.iloc[j] != 0:
            temp = (relationKey, df_matrix.columns[j], int(x. iloc[j]))
            neighbours.append(temp)

#Show

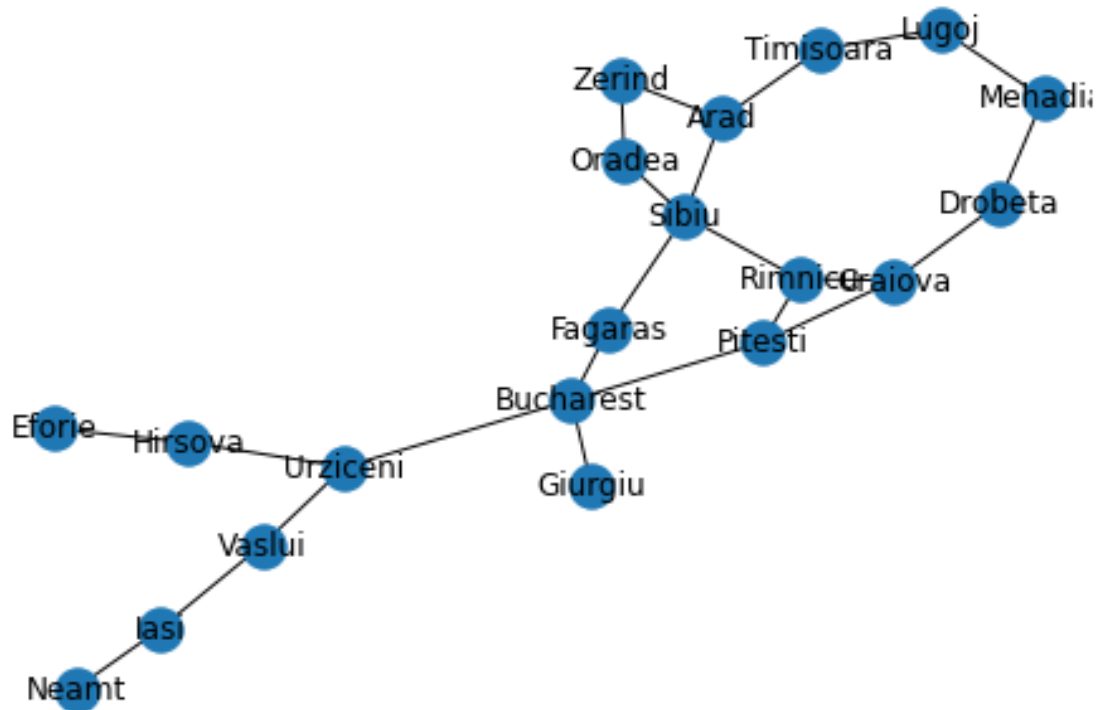
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neighbours
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[6]: [('Arad', 'Sibiu', 140),
      ('Arad', 'Timisoara', 118),
      ('Arad', 'Zerind', 75),
      ('Bucharest', 'Fagaras', 211),
      ('Bucharest', 'Giurgiu', 90),
      ('Bucharest', 'Pitesti', 101),
      ('Bucharest', 'Urziceni', 85),
      ('Craiova', 'Drobeta', 120),
      ('Craiova', 'Pitesti', 138),
      ('Craiova', 'Rimnicu', 146),
      ('Drobeta', 'Mehadia', 75),
      ('Eforie', 'Hirsova', 86),
      ('Fagaras', 'Sibiu', 99),
      ('Hirsova', 'Urziceni', 98),
      ('Iasi', 'Neamt', 87),
      ('Iasi', 'Vaslui', 92),
      ('Lugoj', 'Mehadia', 70),
      ('Lugoj', 'Timisoara', 111),
      ('Oradea', 'Sibiu', 151),
      ('Oradea', 'Zerind', 71),
      ('Pitesti', 'Rimnicu', 97),
      ('Rimnicu', 'Sibiu', 80),
      ('Urziceni', 'Vaslui', 142)]
```

Transfer into graph

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[7]: #Construct
graph = nx.Graph()
#Add the neighbours
graph.add_weighted_edges_from(neighbours)
#Show
nx.draw(graph, with_labels = True)
```



1.3 Step 3: Define the Start and Goal City

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[8]: #Define the source city
source = "Arad"
print("The source city is: " + source)
#Define the goal city
goal = "Bucharest"
print("The goal city is: " + goal)
```

The source city is: Arad
The goal city is: Bucharest

1.4 Step 4: Define the Heuristic Function

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[9]: #This function can get the Euclidean distance between current node and goal
    ↪ city.
def heuristic(node, goal):
    x1, y1 = cities[node]
    x2, y2 = cities[goal]
    return np.sqrt((x1 - x2) ** 2 + (y1 - y2) ** 2)
```

1.5 Step 5: Complete the A* Search Method

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[10]: def astar(graph, source, goal):
    #Confirm the start and end node
    print("Start node: " + source)
    print("End node: " + goal)
    #frontier is a list with tuples, which stored heuristic value, cost, city
    →name and path
    frontier = [(heuristic(source, goal), 0, source, [source])]
    #a set of visited node
    visited = set()
    #When the queue is not empty, it will pick up the most hopeful node into
    →next search
    while frontier:
        #The prior queue will pop up the most hopeful city to get to the goal
        →city
        #f_cost -> cost with heuristic
        #g_cost -> cost without heuristic
        #node -> current city
        #path -> source city to current city
        f_cost, g_cost, node, path = heapq.heappop(frontier)
        #If reached the goal city, it will return the path
        if node == goal:
            return path, g_cost
        #If the current city is visited, it will skip this node
        if node in visited:
            continue
        #Add the city to visited, because it is a 'set', it can help us find if
        →there is already exist the city we are visiting
        visited.add(node)
        #Iterate the items in graph of neighbours
        for neighbour in graph.neighbors(node):
            #Only process the neighbours which are not visited
            if neighbour not in visited:
                #It means previous cost plus the current city's cost
                #The graph's structure: graph['city1']['city2']['weight'] ->
                →the distance of these two cities
                g_new = g_cost + graph[node][neighbour]['weight']
                #For A*, the cost need to add the heuristic cost, which is the
                →distance of neighbour to goal city
                f_new = g_new + heuristic(neighbour, goal)
                #When the cost is ready, we can add the new node to the queue
                #So the next search will pick up the lowest cost node
                heapq.heappush(frontier, (f_new, g_new, neighbour, path +
                →[neighbour]))
        #If there is no path, it will return none and an infinity distance
        return None, float('inf')
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```
[11]: #Output method  
path, cost = astar(graph, source, goal)  
print("Path: ", path)  
print("Cost: ", cost)
```

Start node: Arad

End node: Bucharest

Path: ['Arad', 'Sibiu', 'Rimnicu', 'Pitesti', 'Bucharest']

Cost: 418

We can check the map to see if the method is right.