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1. Abstract:

The following report consists of a detailed description of our Mini Project. We have created a classic game - 'Maze Generator and Solver' in which we have implemented various packages and modules of python and AI as well as basic algorithms.

1.1 Introduction:

We imported the turtle package in python which would help us in implementing graphics in our code. Following the turtle, we imported the choice module from random and the vector and floor modules from the freegames library.

The start of the code represents the initial state of the game/game objects. Then we have multiple user-defined functions .

- 1. square() which fills the tile with the x and y coordinates.
- 2. offset() which returns the next index in which the pointer moves
- 3. valid() which returns True if the next tile is valid for movement.
- 4. world() used for Drawing the world, the tiles, and the score points.
- 5. move() used For controlling the movement of all the pointer
- 6. change() change the direction vector of the pointer if it's valid.



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Then we use the setup() function from turtle to set up the GUI window for our game.

The write() function is used to display the score in which state['score'] is used to input the current score of the user.

The game ends when the pointer reaches the end point and hence, the game is over.

1.2 Problem Statement:

Our project title is **Maze Generator** and **Maze Solver**, firstly a random maze will be generated using a randomised algorithm and later we will be solving it as a user and corresponding score will be displayed.

There is a 20*20 matrix and a 2 points start and end . The pointer goes from start to the end with the help of user. The user can move the pointer is the desired direction to reach the end point, avaoiding the walls. maze generator uses prims algorithm and random module to generate new mazes everytime we start the game.

1.3 Objective:

To randomly generate a maze using an AI algorithm which can be solved by the user.

1.4 Scope:

Through this project users will be able to apply skills to solve the maze and and successfully find the path. The concept will be helpful for kids to develop their analytical and logical skills.



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2. Literature Survey:

A maze is a path, or a collection of paths, typically from an entrance to a goal. In other words, there is an entrance and an exit and starting from the entrance, you need to navigate through the complex paths and walls and find a path towards the exit.

Randomized Prim's Algorithm consists of the following steps:

Start with a grid full of walls



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Pick a cell, mark it as part of the maze. Add the walls of the cell to the walls of the list

While there are walls in the list:

- 1. Pick a random wall from the list. If only one of the two cells that the wall divides is visited, then:
- a) Make the wall a passage and mark the unvisited cell as part of the maze
- b) Add the neighboring walls of the cell to the wall list.
- 2. Remove the wall from the list

Everytime a new maze is generated on the basis of an algorithm.

Prim's Algorithm:

Prim's algorithm (also known as Jarník's algorithm) is a greedy algorithm that finds a minimum spanning tree for a weighted undirected graph. This means it finds a subset of the edges that forms a tree that includes every vertex, where the total weight of all the edges in the tree is minimized.

How Prim's algorithm works:

It falls under a class of algorithms called greedy algorithms that find the local optimum in the hopes of finding a global optimum.

We start from one vertex and keep adding edges with the lowest weight until we reach our goal.

The steps for implementing Prim's algorithm are as follows:

1. Initialize the minimum spanning tree with a vertex chosen at random.



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- 2. Find all the edges that connect the tree to new vertices, find the minimum and add it to the tree
- 3. Keep repeating step 2 until we get a minimum spanning tree

Randomized Prim's Algorithm consists of the following steps:

Start with a grid full of walls

Pick a cell, mark it as part of the maze. Add the walls of the cell to the walls of the list

While there are walls in the list:

- 1. Pick a random wall from the list. If only one of the two cells that the wall divides is visited, then:
- a) Make the wall a passage and mark the unvisited cell as part of the maze
- b) Add the neighboring walls of the cell to the wall list.
- 2. Remove the wall from the list.

2.2 Papers/Findings:

Following articles and paper were used:

- 1. https://medium.com/swlh/fun-with-python-1-maze-generator-931639b4fb7e
- 2. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Prim%27s algorithm
- 3. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Maze generation algorithm
- 4. 3.5 Prims and Kruskals Algorithms Greedy Method



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3. Analysis and Design:

3.1 Implementation Details:

- 1. The program consists of a 20x20 maze which is available to the user.
- 2. There will be two ends: start and end.
- 3. A pointer will start from the Start and has to reach the end point guided by the user.
- 4. In this process the score will be calculated simultaneously.
- 5. After the pointer reaches the end point a message game over is displayed..
- 6. The maze is derived using Prim's algorithm.

3.2 Proposed Solution:

The maze solution will be derived using the Prim's algorithm.

Start with a grid full of walls

Pick a cell, mark it as part of the maze. Add the walls of the cell to the walls of the list

While there are walls in the list:

- 1. Pick a random wall from the list. If only one of the two cells that the wall divides is visited, then:
- a) Make the wall a passage and mark the unvisited cell as part of the maze
- b) Add the neighboring walls of the cell to the wall list.
- 2. Remove the wall from the list



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4. Results and Discussion

4.1 Implementation details

We created two python files

For Backend(Maze Generator): idk.py



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else:
               #print(Fore.RED + str(maze[i][j]), end=" ")
               pass
       print('\n')
# Find number of surrounding cells
def surroundingCells(rand wall):
   s cells = 0
   if (maze[rand wall[0] - 1][rand wall[1]] == 1):
       s cells += 1
   if (maze[rand wall[0] + 1][rand wall[1]] == 1):
       s cells += 1
   if (maze[rand wall[0]][rand wall[1] - 1] == 1):
       s cells += 1
   if (maze[rand wall[0]][rand wall[1] + 1] == 1):
       s cells += 1
   return s cells
# Main code
# Init variables
wall = 0
cell = 1
unvisited = 'u'
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height = 20
width = 20
maze = []
# Initialize colorama
init()
# Denote all cells as unvisited
for i in range(0, height):
   line = []
   for j in range(0, width):
       line.append(unvisited)
   maze.append(line)
# Randomize starting point and set it a cell
starting height = int(random.random() * height)
starting width = int(random.random() * width)
if (starting height == 0):
   starting height += 1
if (starting height == height - 1):
   starting height -= 1
if (starting width == 0):
   starting width += 1
if (starting width == width - 1):
   starting width -= 1
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# Mark it as cell and add surrounding walls to the list
maze[starting height][starting width] = cell
walls = []
walls.append([starting height - 1, starting width])
walls.append([starting height, starting width - 1])
walls.append([starting height, starting width + 1])
walls.append([starting height + 1, starting width])
# Denote walls in maze
maze[starting height - 1][starting width] = 0
maze[starting height][starting width - 1] = 0
maze[starting height][starting width + 1] = 0
maze[starting height + 1][starting width] = 0
while (walls):
   # Pick a random wall
   rand wall = walls[int(random.random() * len(walls)) - 1]
   # Check if it is a left wall
   if (rand wall[1] != 0):
       if (maze[rand wall[0]][rand wall[1] - 1] == 'u' and
maze[rand wall[0]][rand wall[1] + 1] == 1):
           # Find the number of surrounding cells
           s cells = surroundingCells(rand wall)
           if (s cells < 2):
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# Denote the new path
               maze[rand wall[0]][rand wall[1]] = 1
               # Mark the new walls
               # Upper cell
               if (rand wall[0] != 0):
                   if (maze[rand wall[0] - 1][rand wall[1]] !=
1):
                       maze[rand wall[0] - 1][rand wall[1]] =
0
                   if ([rand wall[0] - 1, rand wall[1]] not in
walls):
                       walls.append([rand wall[0] - 1,
rand wall[1]])
               # Bottom cell
               if (rand wall[0] != height - 1):
                   if (maze[rand wall[0] + 1][rand wall[1]] !=
1):
                       maze[rand wall[0] + 1][rand_wall[1]] =
0
                   if ([rand wall[0] + 1, rand wall[1]] not in
walls):
                       walls.append([rand wall[0] + 1,
rand wall[1]])
               # Leftmost cell
               if (rand wall[1] != 0):
```



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if (maze[rand wall[0]][rand wall[1] - 1] !=
1):
                       maze[rand wall[0]][rand wall[1] - 1] =
0
                   if ([rand wall[0], rand wall[1] - 1] not in
walls):
                       walls.append([rand wall[0],
rand wall[1] - 1])
           # Delete wall
           for wall in walls:
               if (wall[0] == rand wall[0] and wall[1] ==
rand wall[1]:
                   walls.remove(wall)
           continue
   # Check if it is an upper wall
   if (rand wall[0] != 0):
       if (maze[rand wall[0] - 1][rand wall[1]] == 'u' and
maze[rand wall[0] + 1][rand wall[1]] == 1):
           s cells = surroundingCells(rand wall)
           if (s cells < 2):
               # Denote the new path
               maze[rand wall[0]][rand wall[1]] = 1
               # Mark the new walls
```



```
# Upper cell
               if (rand wall[0] != 0):
                   if (maze[rand wall[0] - 1][rand wall[1]] !=
1):
                       maze[rand wall[0] - 1][rand wall[1]] =
0
                   if ([rand wall[0] - 1, rand wall[1]] not in
walls):
                       walls.append([rand wall[0] - 1,
rand wall[1]])
               # Leftmost cell
               if (rand wall[1] != 0):
                   if (maze[rand wall[0]][rand wall[1] - 1] !=
1):
                       maze[rand wall[0]][rand wall[1] - 1] =
0
                   if ([rand wall[0], rand wall[1] - 1] not in
walls):
                       walls.append([rand wall[0],
rand wall[1] - 1])
               # Rightmost cell
               if (rand wall[1] != width - 1):
                   if (maze[rand wall[0]][rand wall[1] + 1] !=
1):
                       maze[rand wall[0]][rand wall[1] + 1] =
0
                   if ([rand wall[0], rand wall[1] + 1] not in
walls):
```



```
walls.append([rand wall[0],
rand wall[1] + 1])
           # Delete wall
           for wall in walls:
               if (wall[0] == rand wall[0] and wall[1] ==
rand wall[1]):
                   walls.remove(wall)
           continue
   # Check the bottom wall
   if (rand wall[0] != height - 1):
       if (maze[rand wall[0] + 1][rand wall[1]] == 'u' and
maze[rand wall[0] - 1][rand wall[1]] == 1):
           s cells = surroundingCells(rand wall)
           if (s cells < 2):
               # Denote the new path
               maze[rand wall[0]][rand wall[1]] = 1
               # Mark the new walls
               if (rand wall[0] != height - 1):
                   if (maze[rand wall[0] + 1][rand wall[1]] !=
1):
                       maze[rand wall[0] + 1][rand wall[1]] =
0
```



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```
if ([rand wall[0] + 1, rand wall[1]] not in
walls):
                       walls.append([rand wall[0] + 1,
rand wall[1]])
               if (rand wall[1] != 0):
                   if (maze[rand wall[0]][rand wall[1] - 1] !=
1):
                       maze[rand wall[0]][rand wall[1] - 1] =
0
                   if ([rand wall[0], rand wall[1] - 1] not in
walls):
                       walls.append([rand wall[0],
rand wall[1] - 1]
               if (rand wall[1] != width - 1):
                   if (maze[rand wall[0]][rand wall[1] + 1] !=
1):
                       maxe[rand wall[0]][rand wall[1] + 1] =
0
                   if ([rand wall[0], rand wall[1] + 1] not in
walls):
                       walls.append([rand wall[0],
rand wall[1] + 1])
           # Delete wall
           for wall in walls:
               if (wall[0] == rand wall[0] and wall[1] ==
rand wall[1]):
                   walls.remove(wall)
```



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```
# Check the right wall
   if (rand wall[1] != width - 1):
       if (maze[rand wall[0]][rand wall[1] + 1] == 'u' and
maze[rand wall[0]][rand wall[1] - 1] == 1):
           s cells = surroundingCells(rand wall)
           if (s cells < 2):
               # Denote the new path
               maze[rand wall[0]][rand wall[1]] = 1
               # Mark the new walls
               if (rand wall[1] != width - 1):
                   if (maze[rand wall[0]][rand wall[1] + 1] !=
1):
                       maze[rand wall[0]][rand wall[1] + 1] =
0
                   if ([rand wall[0], rand wall[1] + 1] not in
walls):
                       walls.append([rand wall[0],
rand wall[1] + 1])
               if (rand wall[0] != height - 1):
                   if (maze[rand wall[0] + 1][rand wall[1]] !=
1):
                       maze[rand_wall[0] + 1][rand_wall[1]] =
0
                   if ([rand wall[0] + 1, rand wall[1]] not in
walls):
```



```
walls.append([rand wall[0] + 1,
rand wall[1])
               if (rand wall[0] != 0):
                   if (maze[rand_wall[0] - 1][rand wall[1]] !=
1):
                       maze[rand_wall[0] - 1][rand wall[1]] =
0
                   if ([rand wall[0] - 1, rand wall[1]] not in
walls):
                       walls.append([rand wall[0] - 1,
rand wall[1])
           # Delete wall
           for wall in walls:
               if (wall[0] == rand wall[0] and wall[1] ==
rand wall[1]):
                   walls.remove(wall)
           continue
   # Delete the wall from the list anyway
   for wall in walls:
       if (wall[0] == rand wall[0] and wall[1] ==
rand wall[1]):
           walls.remove(wall)
# Mark the remaining unvisited cells as walls
for i in range(0, height):
```



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```
for j in range(0, width):
       if (maze[i][j] == 'u'):
           maze[i][j] = 0
# Set entrance and exit
for i in range(0, width):
   if (maze[1][i] == 1):
       maze[0][i] = 1
       break
for i in range (width -1, 0, -1):
   if (maze[height - 2][i] == 1):
       maze[height - 1][i] = 1
       break
# Print final maze
printMaze(maze)
print(maze)
Code:
For GUI:
# Importation
from random import choice
from turtle import *
```



```
import numpy as np
from freegames import floor, vector
import idk # Random Maze Code
# Initialisation
maze = idk.maze
hehe = np.array(maze)
hehe = hehe.flatten()
# print(maze)
# print(hehe)
state = {'score': 0}
path = Turtle(visible=False)
writer = Turtle(visible=False)
aim = vector(5, 0) # Velocity = {in Pos X} 5px per sec
our user = vector(-180, 180) # Spawn Location
opponents = [ # Opponents and their Velocity and Spawn
Locations (if reg)
   # [vector(-180, 160), vector(5, 0)],
   # [vector(-180, -160), vector(0, 5)],
```



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```
# [vector(100, 160), vector(0, -5)],
  # [vector(100, -160), vector(-5, 0)],
1
# updating the spawn location of the user to make sure it is
not out of bonds.
hehe[0] = hehe[1] = 1
tiles = hehe # tiles is the map of our game in 1d (20x20)
1 1 1
Sample Map
tiles = [
  0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0,
  0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0,
  0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0,
  0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0,
  0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0,
  0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0,
  0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0,
  0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0,
  0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0,
  0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0,
  0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0,
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0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0,
  0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0,
  0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0,
  0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0,
  1
. .
def world():
  bgcolor('cyan')
  path.color('pink')
  for index in range(len(tiles)):
     tile = tiles[index]
     if tile > 0:
       x = (index % 20) * 20 - 200
       y = 180 - (index // 20) * 20
       square(x, y) # Draw Square Path
```

```
def square(x, y):
   path.up()
```



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```
path.goto(x, y)
   path.down()
   path.begin fill()
   for count in range (4):
       path.forward(20)
       path.left(90)
   path.end fill()
def offset(point):
   x = (floor(point.x, 20) + 200) / 20
   y = (180 - floor(point.y, 20)) / 20
   index = int(x + y * 20)
   return index
def valid(point):
   index = offset(point)
   try:
       if tiles[index] == 0:
           return False
   except IndexError:
       # Game Over Screen
```



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```
writer.goto(-150, 100)
       writer.write('Your Score was : ' +
                    str(state['score']), font=("Times New
Roman", 30, "italic"))
       writer.goto(-200, -50)
       writer.write('Game Over!', font=(
           "Times New Roman", 60, "bold"))
       done()
   index = offset(point + 19)
   if tiles[index] == 0:
       return False
   return point.x % 20 == 0 or point.y % 20 == 0
def move():
   writer.undo()
   writer.write(state['score'])
   clear()
```



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```
if valid(our user + aim):
    our user.move(aim)
index = offset(our user)
if tiles[index] == 1:
    tiles[index] = 2
    state['score'] += 1
    x = (index % 20) * 20 - 200
    y = 180 - (index // 20) * 20
    square(x, y)
up()
goto(our user.x + 10, our user.y + 10)
dot(15, 'black')
for point, course in opponents:
    if valid(point + course):
        point.move(course)
    else:
        options = [
            vector(5, 0),
            vector(-5, 0),
            vector (0, 5),
            vector (0, -5),
        ]
```



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```
plan = choice(options)
           course.x = plan.x
           course.y = plan.y
       up()
       goto(point.x + 10, point.y + 10)
       dot(20, 'red')
   update()
   # for point, course in opponents:
         if abs(our user - point) < 20:
             return
   ontimer (move, 100)
def change (x, y):
   if valid(our user + vector(x, y)):
       aim.x = x
       aim.y = y
setup(600, 600, 500, 120)
```



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```
tracer(False)
writer.goto(200, 160)
writer.color('black')

hideturtle()
writer.write(state['score'])

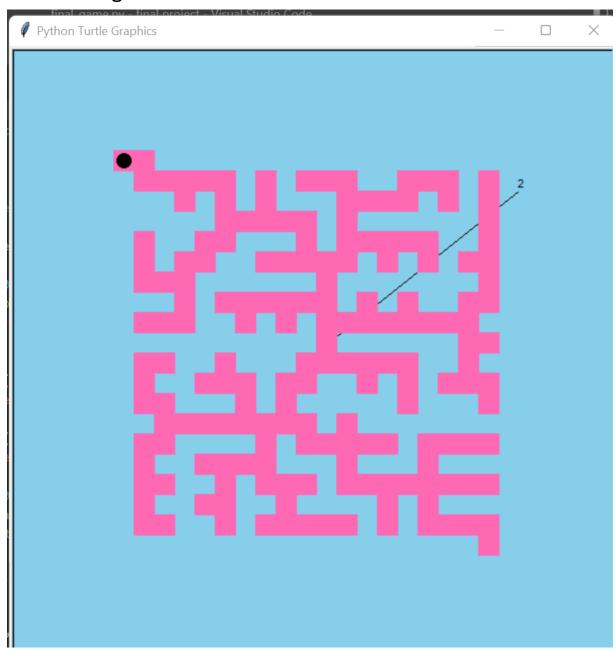
listen()
onkey(lambda: change(5, 0), 'Right')
onkey(lambda: change(-5, 0), 'Left')
onkey(lambda: change(0, 5), 'Up')
onkey(lambda: change(0, -5), 'Down')
world()
move()
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4.2 Working Model:









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5. Conclusion and Future Work:

Conclusion:

Different types of maze-solving algorithms are often needed

Here we used Prim's algorithm to do the same.

In summary, we built an maze game based on the children's game Labyrinth

Our original design goals were to avoid complexity, to make our design scalable and to make our design easily mutable. Since we were able to add extensions easily to our project, we believe that we were fairly successful in meeting these objectives.

Future Work:

At present, video games appear to be resources that are more and more promising regarding their use in primary education thanks to their high interactivity and visual attractiveness, in addition to the ability to incorporate knowledge, didactic tasks and virtual objects in an appealing and fascinating way. Educational video mazes represent a specific type of puzzle game, where the environment has (unlike simple mazes) a complex branching with options of choosing the traversal path and direction, and may have multiple entrances, exits and dead ends. The research provides some of the results from a study of the potential of educational maze games for teaching in primary schools. The aim is to clarify the teachers' needs and preferences for such games specially designed for primary education. The educational video mazes have to be described formally and next generated by an open software platform in an automatic and straightforward way.



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