

DS & AI ENGINEERING



Artificial Intelligence

Informed search

Lecture No. – 6



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#Q. The heuristic path algorithm is a best-first search in which $f(n) = (2-w)g(n) + wh(n)$.

Select the correct statement(s).

$$f = (2-w)g + w \cdot h$$

A

For $w = 1$, $f(n)$ represents the A* algorithm.

$$\rightarrow f = g + h$$

B

For $w = 2$, $f(n)$ is complete.

$$\rightarrow f = 2 \cdot h \quad X$$

C

For $w = 2$, $f(n)$ is optimal.

$$\rightarrow f = 2 \cdot h \quad X$$

D

For $w = 0$, $f(n)$ represents UCS.

$$\rightarrow f = 2 \cdot g \quad X$$

1) UCS: $F = g$
 2) GBFS $\Rightarrow F = h$
 3) A* $\Rightarrow f = g + h$

$$\underline{a+a=2a} \quad \checkmark$$
$$\underline{a+a=10a} \quad ? \times$$

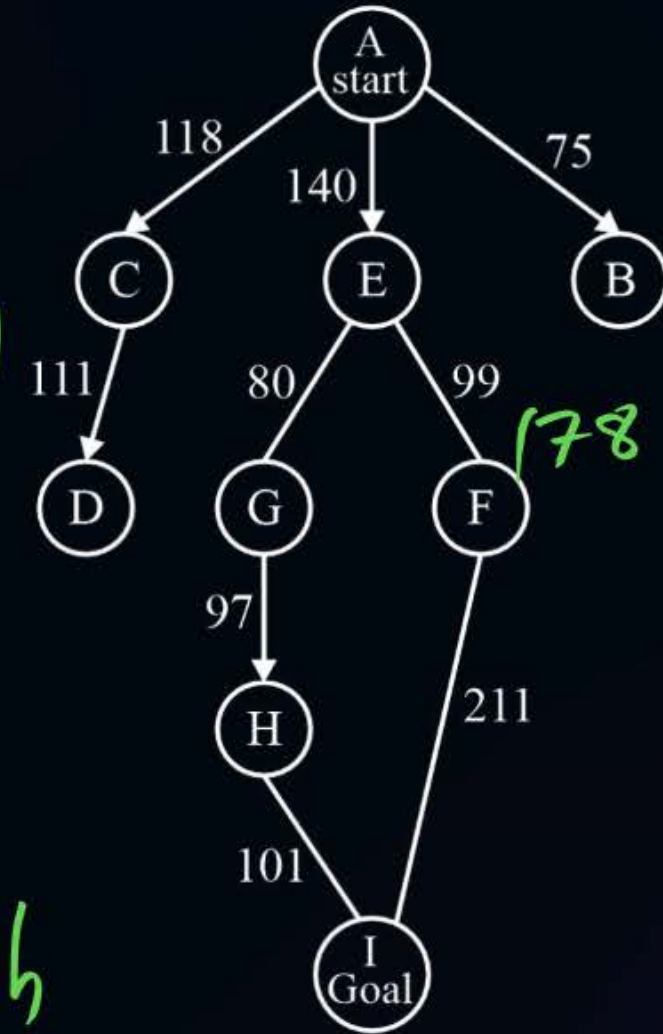
$$F=g$$
$$F=2g \quad \swarrow \times$$

$$F \propto g$$

#Q. Consider the below graph with heuristic values.

State	Heuristic: $h(n)$
A	366
B	374
C	329
D	244
E	253
F	178
G	193
H	98
I	0

A) $178 + 211$
 B) $253 + 99 + 211$
~~C) 178~~
 D) 253
 Greedy $\Rightarrow f = h$



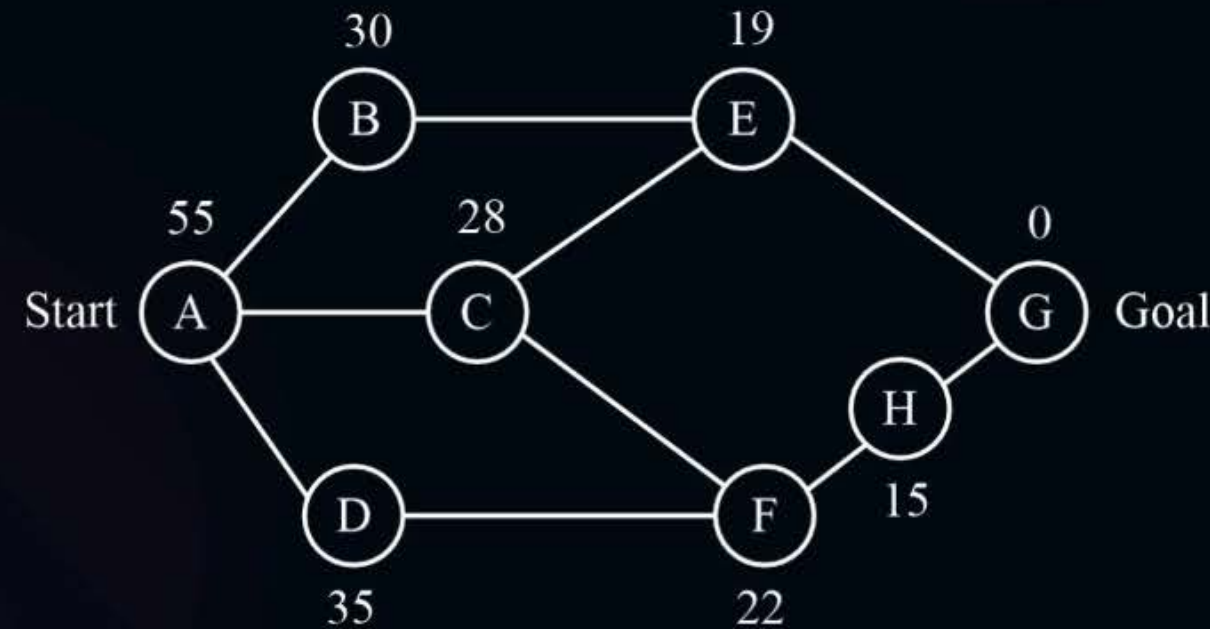
What will be the value of evaluation function for the node F, if we apply Greedy Search algorithm?

[MCQ]



GBFS

#Q. Consider the following graph use the best first search algorithm to find the path from node A to node G (Assume node A is start node and node G is goal node). Which of the following path sequence is correct?



A

$A \rightarrow D \rightarrow C \rightarrow G$

B

$A \rightarrow C \rightarrow E \rightarrow G$

C

$A \rightarrow C \rightarrow F \rightarrow H \rightarrow G$

D

$A \rightarrow D \rightarrow F \rightarrow G$

#Q. Which of the following is/are true about A* Search?

A, B, C



A* search is both complete and optimal under certain conditions for the heuristic function $h(n)$



A* search is complete but not optimal under certain conditions for the heuristic function $h(n)$



A* search is similar to uniform-cost search, it uses the sum of g and h values instead of g



A search is similar to uniform-cost search, as it uses the cumulative cost of node 'n' from a start node

#Q. In Greedy Best First Search, what is the evaluation function used to select the next node for expansion?

85%

$$F = h$$

A \times $f(n) = g(n) + h(n)$ $\rightarrow A^*$

B \times $f(n) = g(n) - h(n)$ \times

C \checkmark $f(n) = h(n)$

D \times $f(n) = g(n)$ $\rightarrow UCS$

[MCQ]



#Q. Consider the graph given below: UCS 50%
If we apply Uniform Cost Search Algorithm, then what will be the path to reach node G from node S?

(D)

$S \rightarrow G$

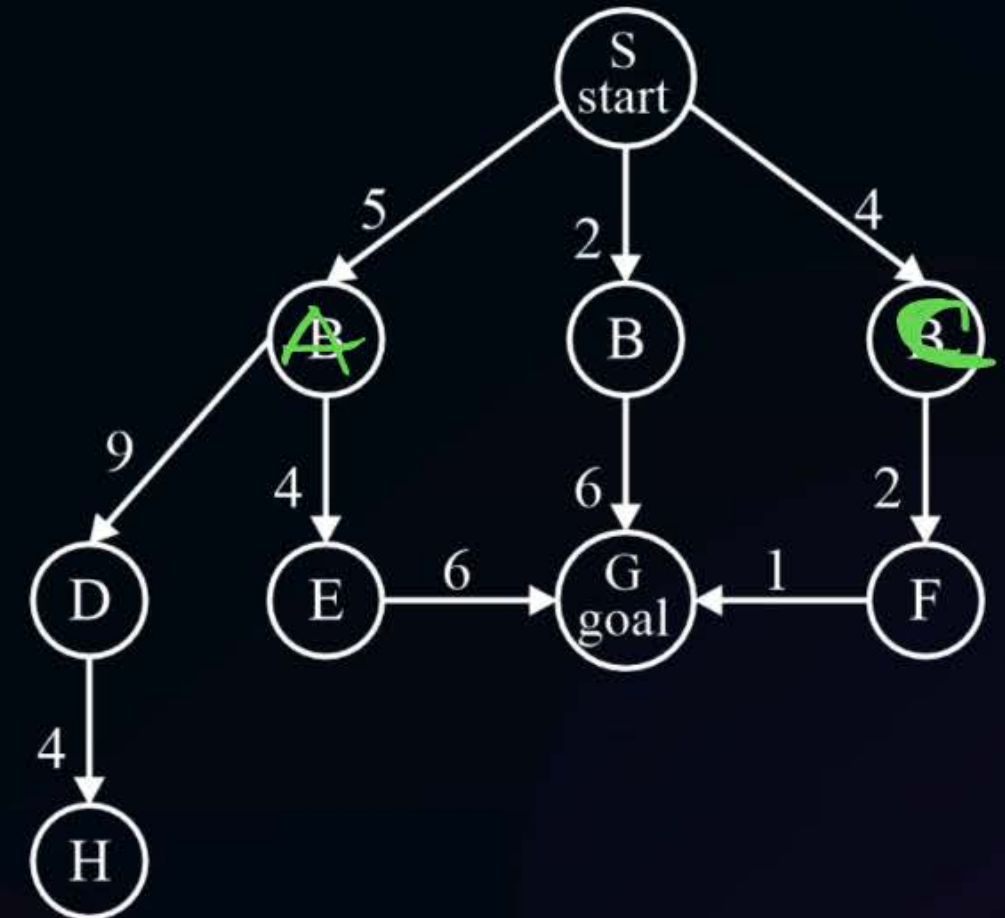
A $S \rightarrow C \rightarrow F \rightarrow G \Rightarrow 4 + 2 + 1 = 7$

B $S \rightarrow B \rightarrow G \Rightarrow 2 + 6 = 8$

C $S \rightarrow A \rightarrow E \rightarrow G \Rightarrow 5 + 4 + 6 = 15$

D $S \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow G \Rightarrow \text{X}$

Answered



[MCQ]



#Q. Consider the graph given below:

UCS

50%

If we apply Uniform Cost Search Algorithm, then what will be the path to reach node G from node S?

SCFL

S → G

A

S → C → F → G

B

S → B → G

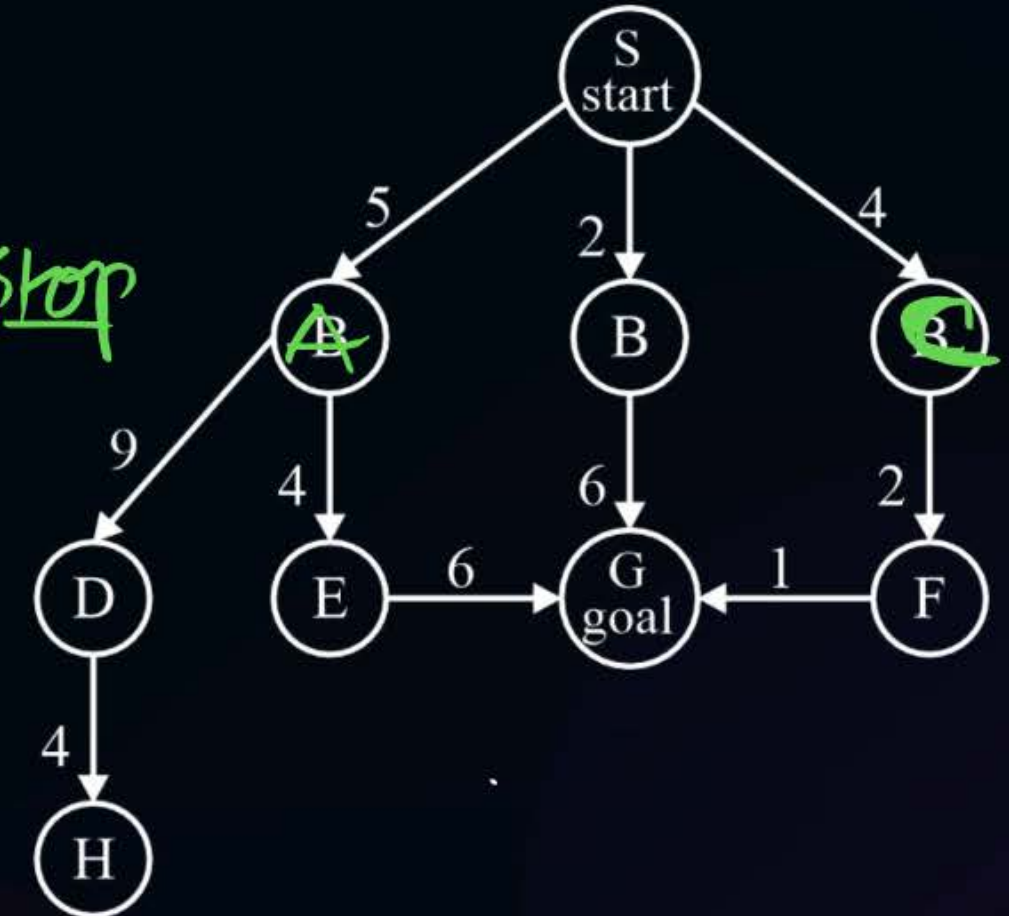
C

S → A → E → G

D

S → A → B → C → G

Open	Closed
S ^x	S B C A F <u>G</u>
A	(5) 5 (5) 5 5
B ^x	(2) 2 2 2 2
C	(4) (4) 4 4 4
G	x 8 8 8 → (7)
F	x x x 6 (6) 6
D	x x x x 9 9
H	x x x x x



#Q. In the problem the start state is S, and the goal state is G. The transition costs are next to the edges, and the heuristic estimate, h , of the distance from the state to the goal is in the state's node. Assume ties are always broken by choosing the state which comes first alphabetically.

- What is the order of states expanded using A* search?

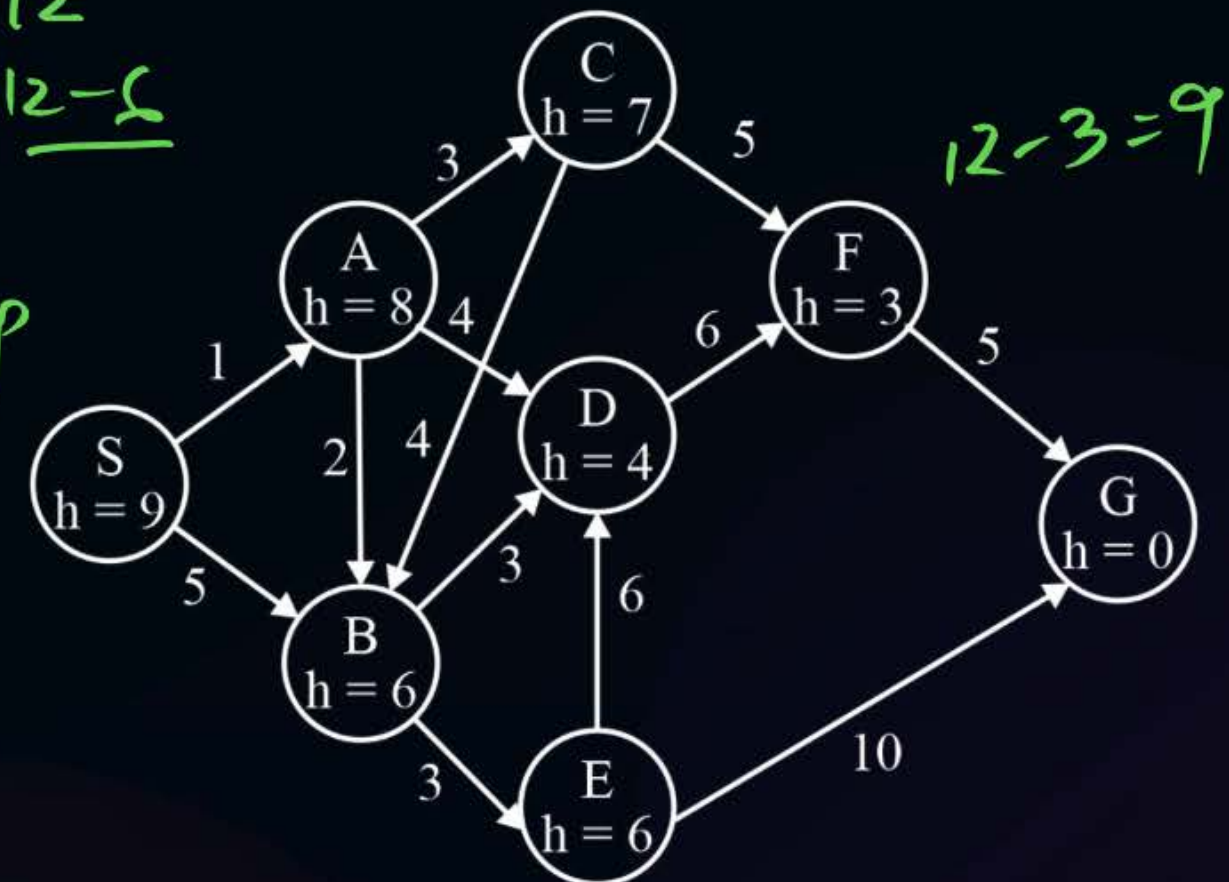
(Graph Search)

$\lambda + 6 = 12$
 $\lambda = 12 - 6$

open	Closed
S ^x	S A B D C E F G
A ^x	9 9 9 9 9 9 9
B ^x	11 9 9 9 9 9 9
C ^x	x 11 11 11 11 11 11
D ^x	x 9 9 9 9 9 9
E ^x	x x 12 12 12 12 12
F ^x	x x x 14 → 12 12 12 12
G	x x x x x 16 14

SA BDC EFG

Stop



#Q. Consider a graph where each edge has a different cost. If you are using the Uniform Cost Search algorithm to find the shortest path from a start node A to a goal node G, which of the following statements is **TRUE** regarding the characteristics of UCS?

A

UCS is complete, but not optimal.

X

UCS \hookrightarrow Complete \checkmark
optimal \checkmark

80%

B

UCS is both complete and optimal

C

UCS can only be used in graphs with uniform edge costs.

X

D

UCS uses a depth-first strategy

X

[MCQ]



#Q. Let h_1 and h_2 be two admissible heuristics used in A^* search.
Which ONE of the following expressions is always an admissible heuristic?

A

$h_1 + h_2$ ~~X~~ $9 + 10 \leq 10$ ~~X~~

B

$h_1 \times h_2$ $9 \times 10 \leq 10$ ~~X~~

C

$|h_1 - h_2|$ ✓

D

h_1 / h_2 ($h_1 \neq h_2$)

~~X~~ $\frac{10}{0.1} = 100 \leq 10$ ~~X~~

$A \xrightarrow{10} B$

$[0.1, 1, 2, \dots, 10]$

h_1, h_2

100%

$h \leq h^*$

[MCQ]



#Q. If h is an admissible heuristic (non-negative), which of the following can never be an admissible heuristic?

A

$h + 1 \Rightarrow h = 1, 1 + 1 \leq 10$

B

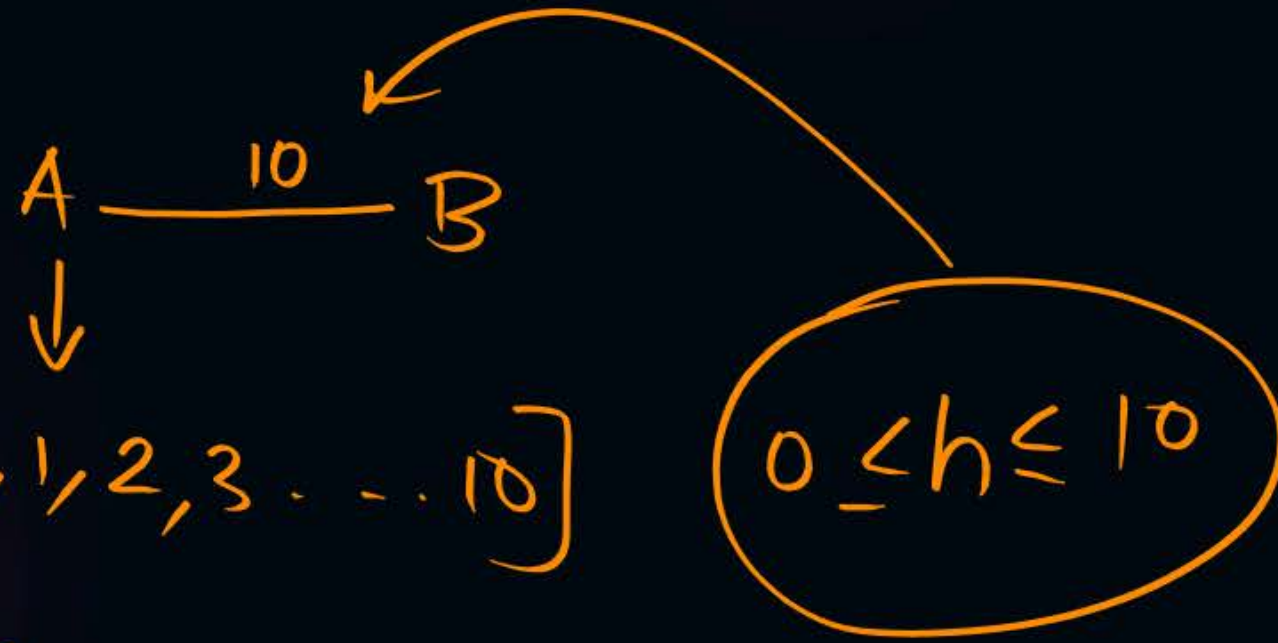
$2h \Rightarrow h = 1, 2 \times 1 \leq 10$

C

$\sqrt{h} \Rightarrow h = 1, \sqrt{1} = 1 \leq 10$

D

They all can be admissible under some situation.



47%

A)
B X

77.33/100

-0.66
☆

#Q. If h_1 and h_2 are admissible heuristics, which of the following are guaranteed to be admissible?

- A** $h_1 + h_2$ ~~X~~ $10 + 9 = 19$
- B** $\min(h_1, h_2)$ ✓
- C** $\max(h_1, h_2)$ ✓ $\max(9, 10) = 10$
- D** $\alpha h_1 + (1 - \alpha) h_2$ for $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ ✓

A $\xrightarrow{10}$ B

↓
 $[0.1, 0.5, 1, 2, \dots, 10]$

Tricky

$$\alpha = 0,$$

$$h = 0 \cdot h_1 + 1 \cdot h_2$$

$$h = h_2$$

$[h_1, h_2]$

$$\alpha = 1$$

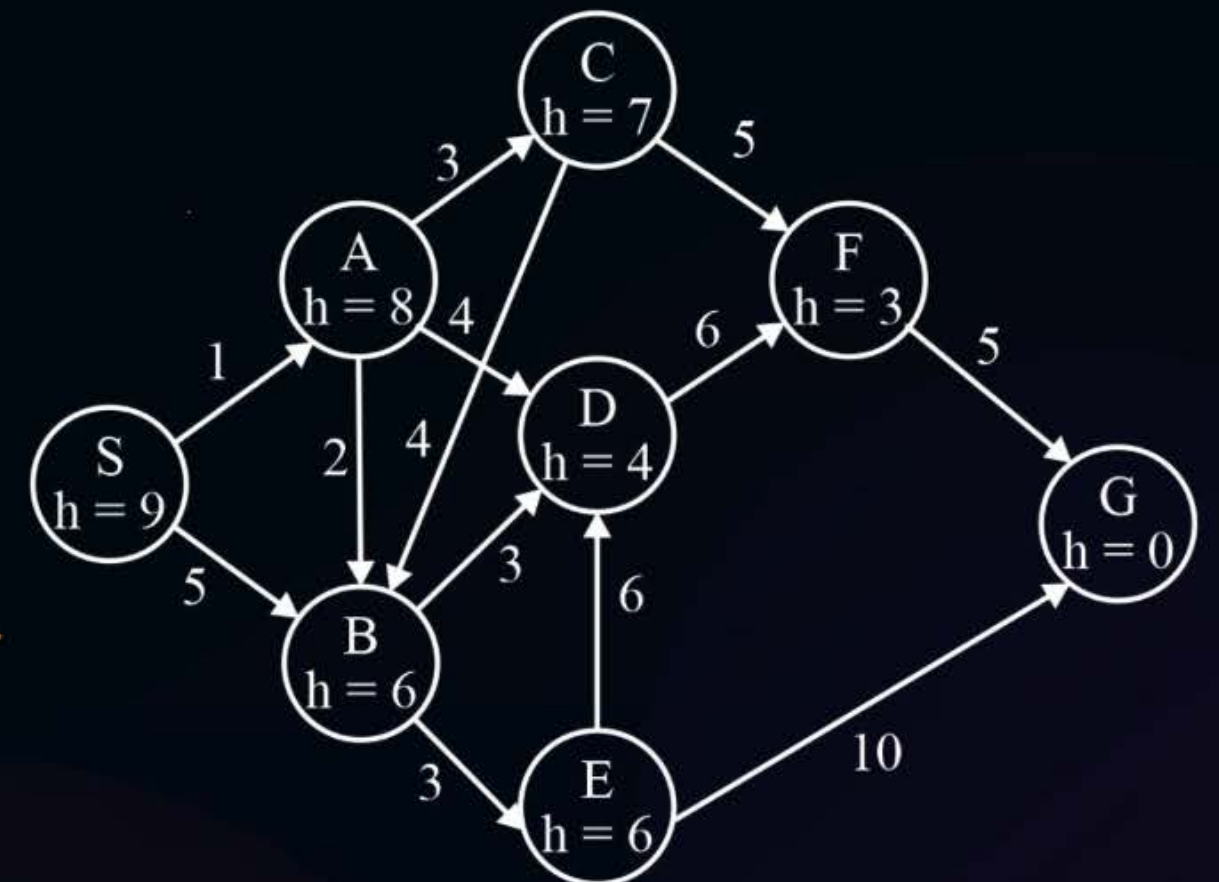
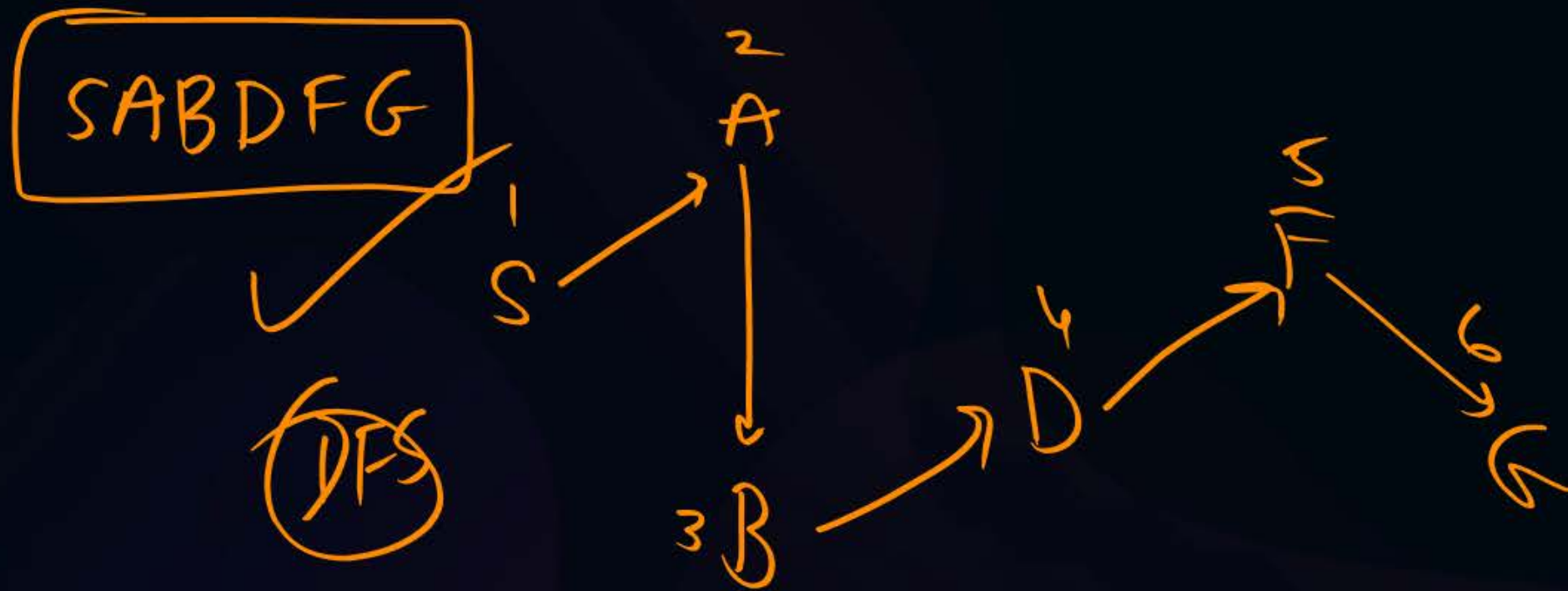
$$h = h_1$$

$$\alpha = 0.5$$

$$= 0.5 h_1 + 0.5 h_2$$

$$= \frac{9 + 10}{2} \leq 10$$

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- What is the order of states expanded using Depth First Search? Assume DFS terminates as soon as it reaches the goal state.



#Q. Which of the following evaluation functions will result in identical behaviour to greedy best-first search (assume all edge costs are positive)?

A

$$f(n) = 100 * h(n)$$

B

$$f(n) = g(n) * h(n)$$

C

$$f(n) = h(n)^2$$

D

$$f(n) = 1/h(n)$$

GBFS

$$f = h$$

A, C

Idea: take min h
only depend on h

node	$h(n)$	$160 \times h$	$1/h$	h^2	$\frac{h \times g}{g}$
P	1	100 ✓	1/1	1	1000
Q	5	500	1/5	25	2
R	2	200	1/2	4	5
S	7	700	1/7	49	1
		↓			



Topic : Artificial Intelligence

BFHS vs GBFS* → GBFS (not Complete)

BFHS (Complete)

- BFHS is a hybrid algorithm that combines aspects of Breadth-First Search (BFS) and heuristic guidance. It systematically explores the search space level by level, but with a preference for nodes with better heuristic values.
- GBFS is an algorithm that always expands the node that appears to be closest to the goal according to a heuristic. It focuses purely on the heuristic value ($h(n)$), without considering the cost to reach the node ($g(n)$).
- BFHS is generally less efficient than GBFS because it explores all nodes at a particular depth before moving on, potentially expanding unnecessary nodes.
- BFHS need more memory.
- GBFS need less memory.
- BFHS expand more nodes than GBFS.



THANK - YOU