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↳ Heuristic Function

↳ Estimates cost Reaching Goal from a Node,

↳ Considers both Distance already traveled from Start

And Remaining Distance to the goal.

Concepts

↳ Node: Point in your Graph

• Path cost: Cost of moving from Node to Node

↳ Edges: Connection between Nodes

• Heuristic: Estimated Cost from Any Node to Goal

• search space: Collection all poss. paths.

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



Cost function:

• ~~Path cost g(n):~~

↳ Exact known Distance from Initial Node

↳ How to calculate? $\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} w(n_i, n_{i+1})$
 weight of Edge connecting nodes

$$g(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} w(n_i, n_{i+1})$$

↑ Accumulates as we move through graph.

• ~~Heuristic function h(n):~~

↳ Estimated Cost from Current node to goal node

↳ For any node, the heuristic estimate must satisfy: $h(n) \leq h^*(n)$

• For MAPS

↳ Manhattan Distance:

$$h(n) = |x_1 - x_2| + |y_1 - y_2|$$

↳ No se puede mover en Diagonal

↳ Euclidean Distance

$$h(n) = \sqrt{(x_1 - x_2)^2 + (y_1 - y_2)^2}$$

↳ se usa para Robots que pueden ir en cualquier Direction!

~~Total Estimated Cost:~~

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

→ h(n) es importante

ya que podría tomar caminos muy largos que parecen prometidos

→ to never overestimate
 ↳ Actual cost to Goal.

Things to Code:

↳ Open list:

- Nodes to be evaluated
- Sorted by $f(n)$ value
- New Nodes Added as Discarded

↳ Closed List:

- Evaluated Nodes
- Avoid re-evaluating nodes
- Reconstruct final path