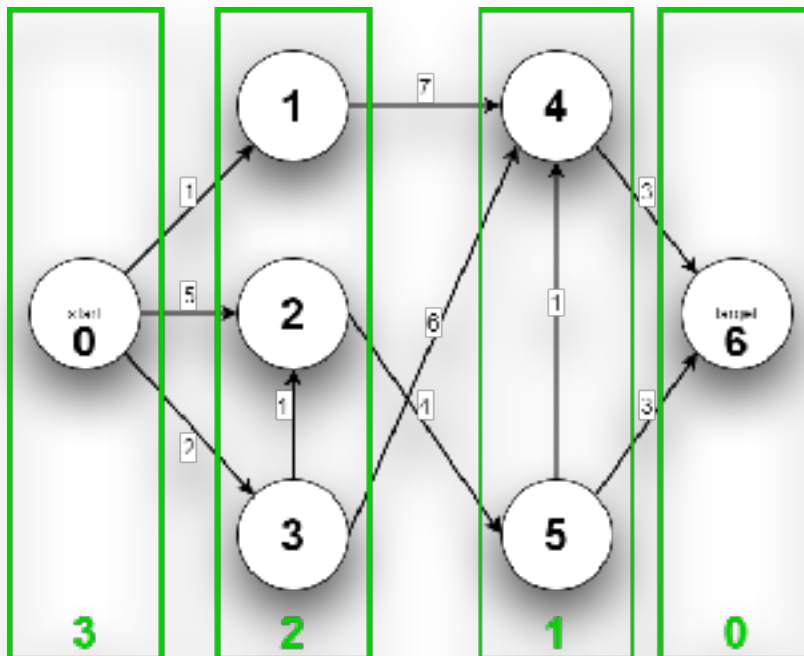
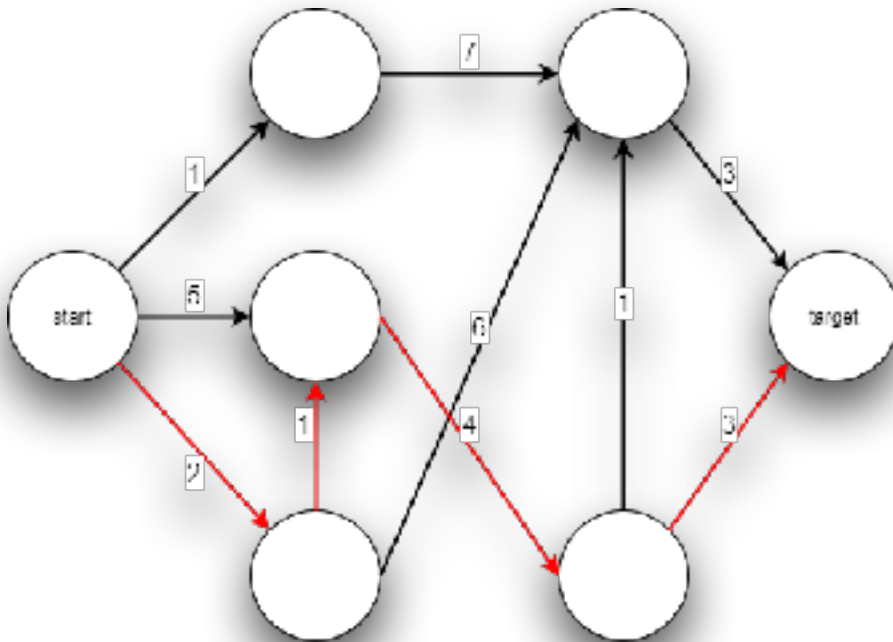


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**A\*** is a heuristic path searching graph algorithm. This means that given a weighed graph, it outputs the shortest path between two given nodes. The algorithm is guaranteed to terminate for non-infinite graphs with non-negative edge weights. Additionally, if you manage to ensure certain properties when designing your **heuristic** it will also always return an almost-optimal solution in a pretty efficient manner.



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public class Node implements Comparable<Node> {
    // Id for readability of result purposes
    private static int idCounter = 0;
    public int id;

    // Parent in the path
    public Node parent = null;

    public List<Edge> neighbors;

    // Evaluation functions
    public double f = Double.MAX_VALUE;
    public double g = Double.MAX_VALUE;
    // Hardcoded heuristic
    public double h;

    Node(double h){
        this.h = h;
        this.id = idCounter++;
        this.neighbors = new ArrayList<>();
    }

    @Override
    public int compareTo(Node n) {
        return Double.compare(this.f, n.f);
    }

    public static class Edge {
        Edge(int weight, Node node){
            this.weight = weight;
            this.node = node;
        }

        public int weight;
        public Node node;
    }

    public void addBranch(int weight, Node node){
        Edge newEdge = new Edge(weight, node);
        neighbors.add(newEdge);
    }

    public double calculateHeuristic(Node target){
        return this.h;
    }
}

public static Node aStar(Node start, Node target){
    TreeSet<Node> closedList = new TreeSet<>();

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TreeSet<Node> openList = new TreeSet<>();
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start.f = start.g + start.calculateHeuristic(target);  
openList.add(start);
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while(!openList.isEmpty()){  
    Node n = openList.first();  
    if(n == target){  
        return n;  
    }  
}
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for(Node.Edge edge : n.neighbors){  
    Node m = edge.node;  
    double totalWeight = n.g + edge.weight;
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    if(!openList.contains(m) && !closedList.contains(m)){  
        m.parent = n;  
        m.g = totalWeight;  
        m.f = m.g + m.calculateHeuristic(target);  
        openList.add(m);
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    } else {  
        if(totalWeight < m.g){  
            m.parent = n;  
            m.g = totalWeight;  
            m.f = m.g + m.calculateHeuristic(target);
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            if(closedList.contains(m)){  
                closedList.remove(m);  
                openList.add(m);
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            }  
        }  
    }  
}
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    }  
}
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    openList.remove(n);  
    closedList.add(n);
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    }  
    return null;
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}
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public static void printPath(Node target){  
    Node n = target;
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    if(n==null)  
        return;
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    List<Integer> ids = new ArrayList<>();
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while(n.parent != null){
    ids.add(n.id);
    n = n.parent;
}
ids.add(n.id);
Collections.reverse(ids);

for(int id : ids){
    System.out.print(id + " ");
}
System.out.println("");
}

public static void main(String[] args) {
    Node head = new Node(3);
    head.g = 0;

    Node n1 = new Node(2);
    Node n2 = new Node(2);
    Node n3 = new Node(2);

    head.addBranch(1, n1);
    head.addBranch(5, n2);
    head.addBranch(2, n3);
    n3.addBranch(1, n2);

    Node n4 = new Node(1);
    Node n5 = new Node(1);
    Node target = new Node(0);

    n1.addBranch(7, n4);
    n2.addBranch(4, n5);
    n3.addBranch(6, n4);

    n4.addBranch(3, target);
    n5.addBranch(1, n4);
    n5.addBranch(3, target);

    Node res = aStar(head, target);
    printPath(res);
}

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