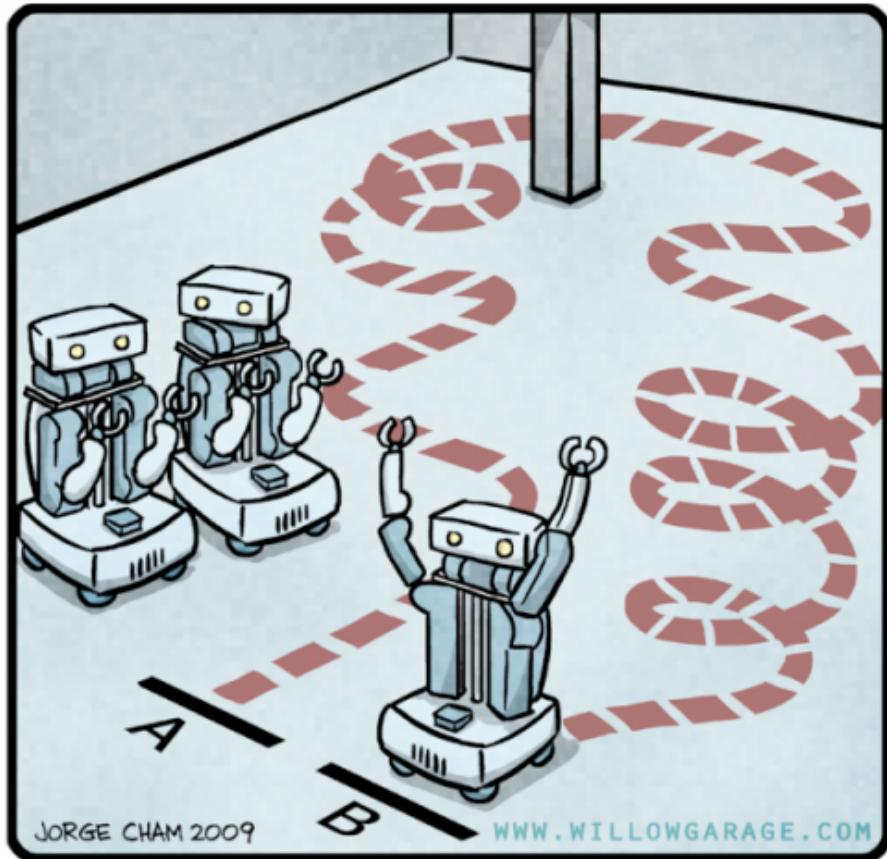


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"HIS PATH-PLANNING MAY BE
SUB-OPTIMAL, BUT IT'S GOT FLAIR."

Path planning

the best way to get from A to B

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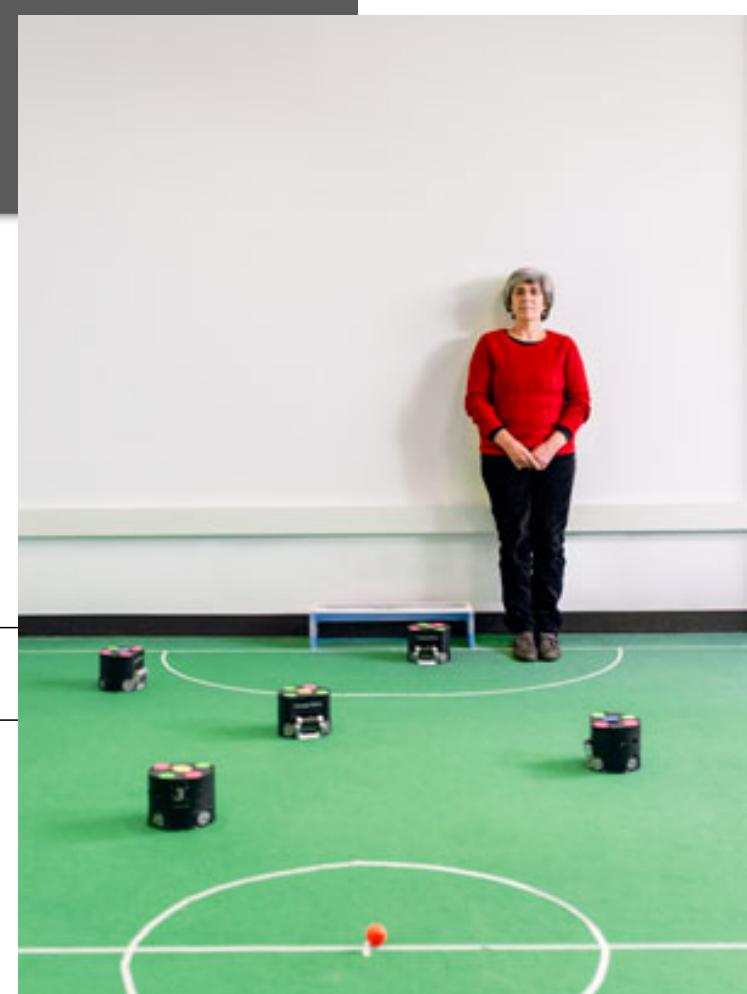
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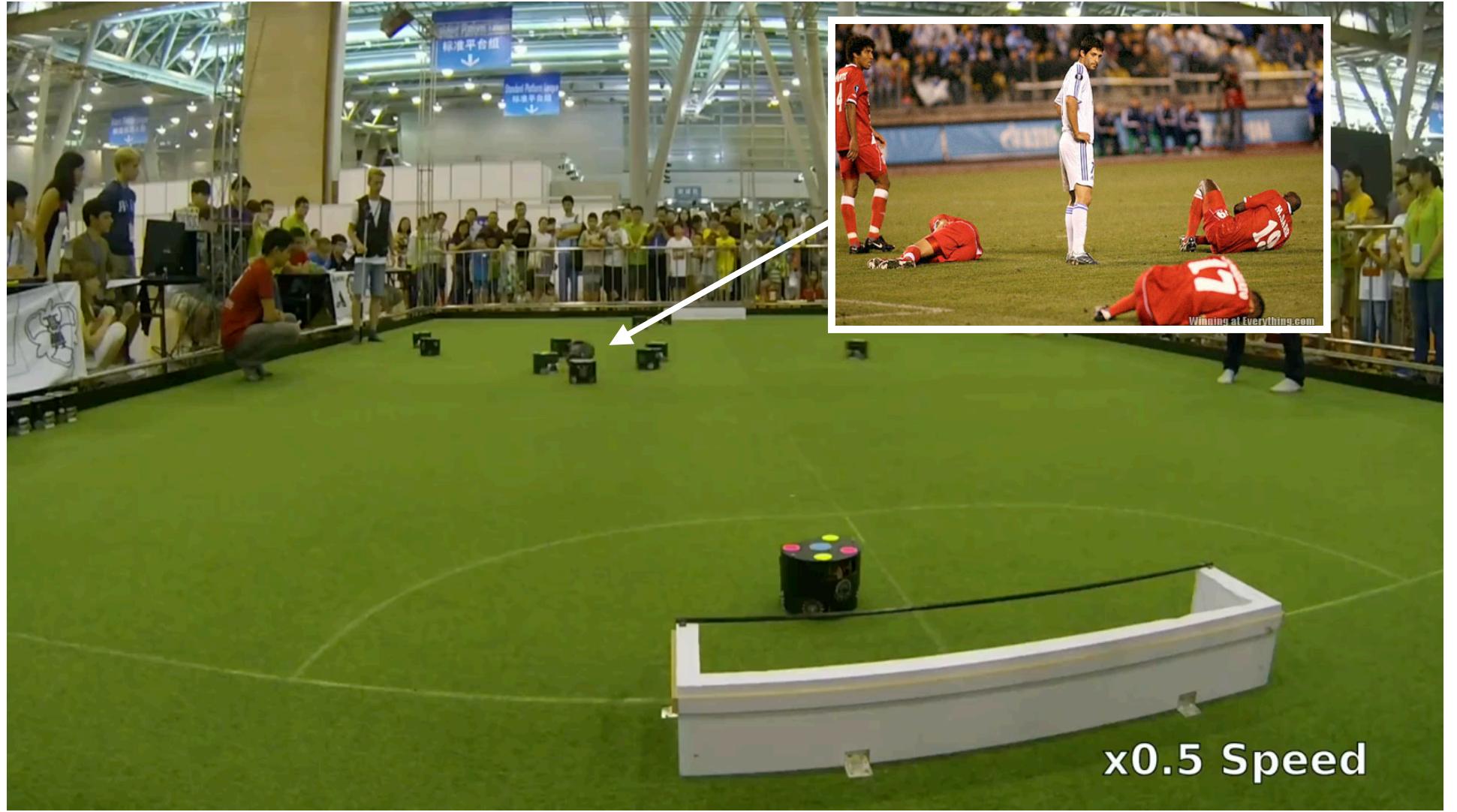


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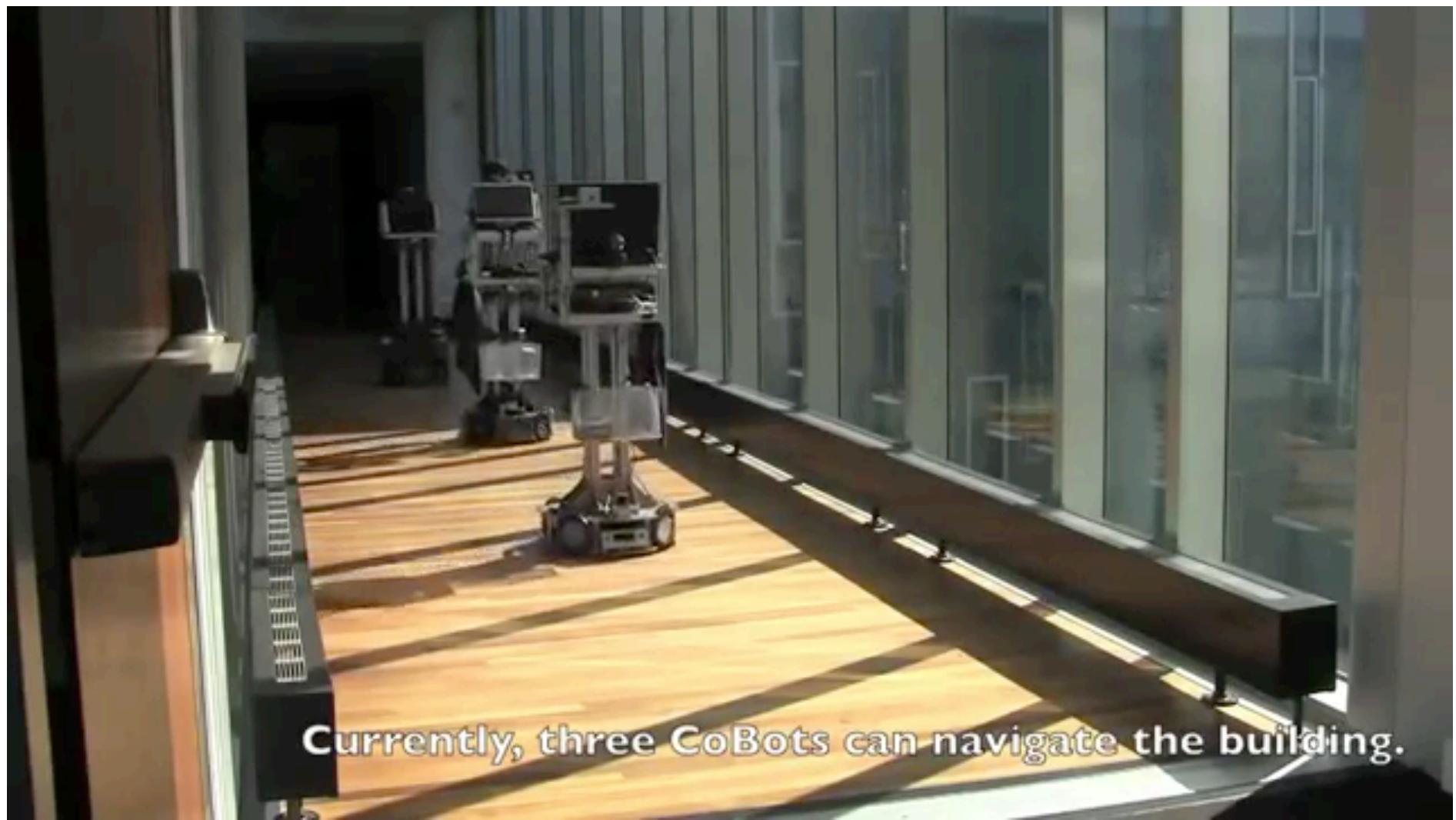


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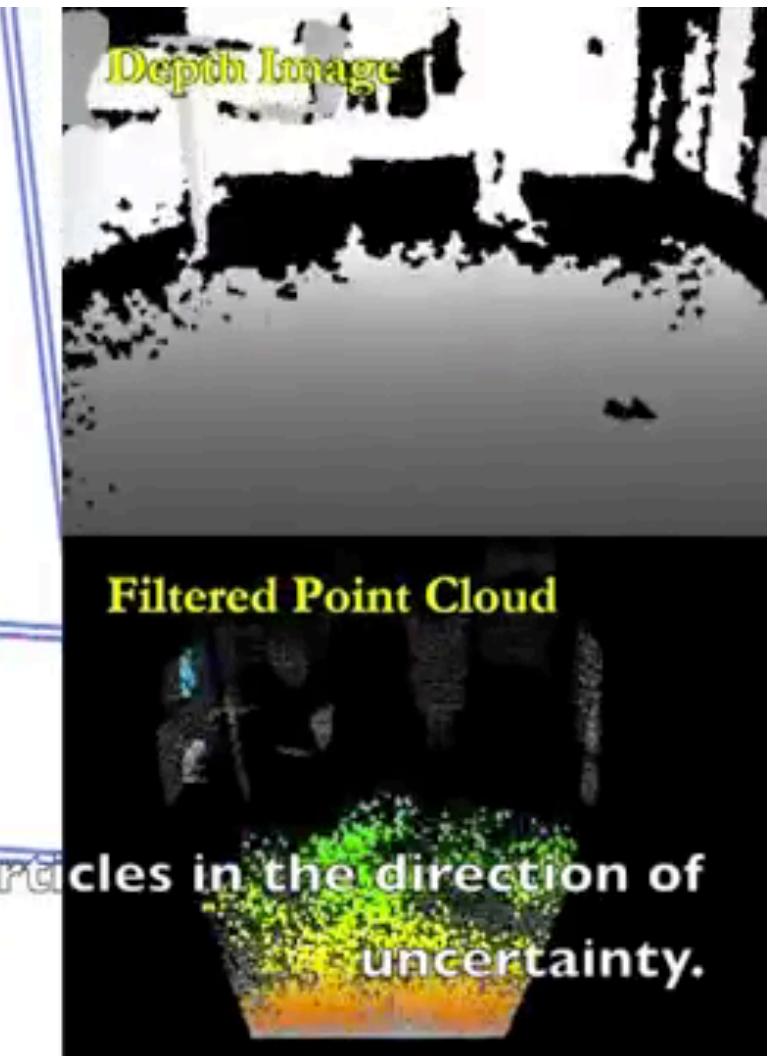
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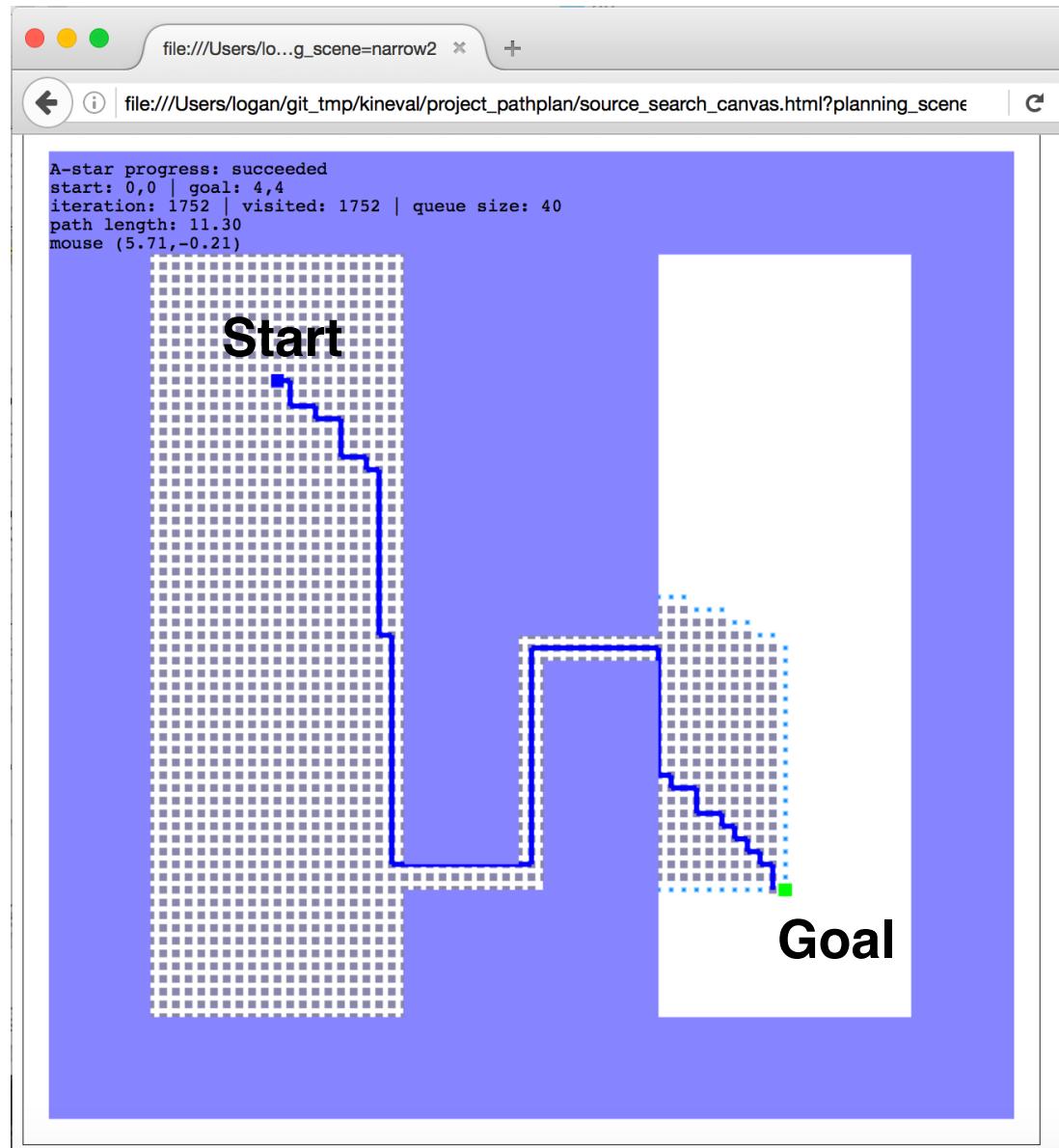


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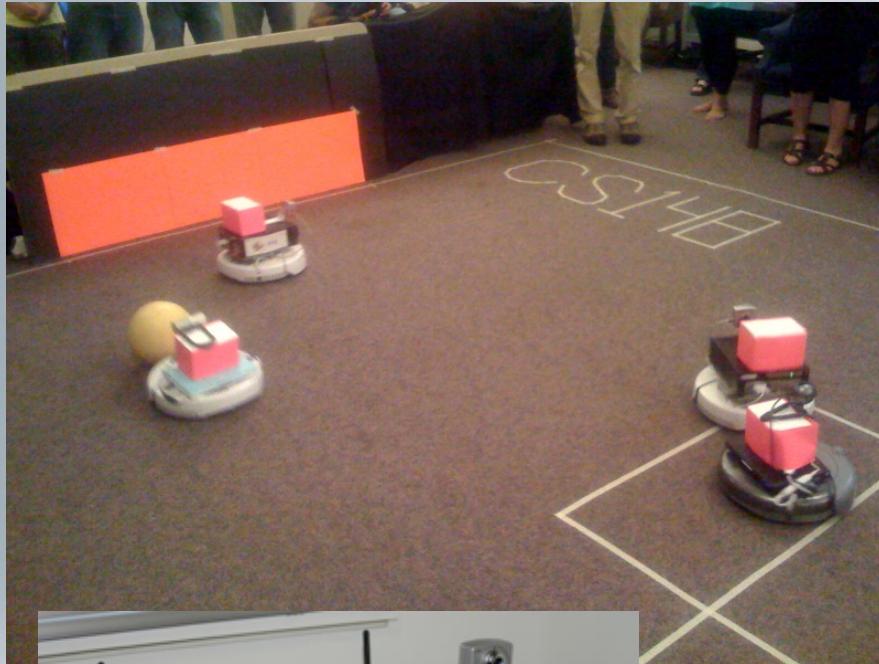
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Project 1: 2D Path Planning

- A-star algorithm for search in a given 2D world
- Implement in JavaScript/HTML5
- Heap data structure for priority queue
- Grads: DFS, BFS, Greedy
- Submit through your git repository



2007-10: SOCCER WITH iROBOT CREATE

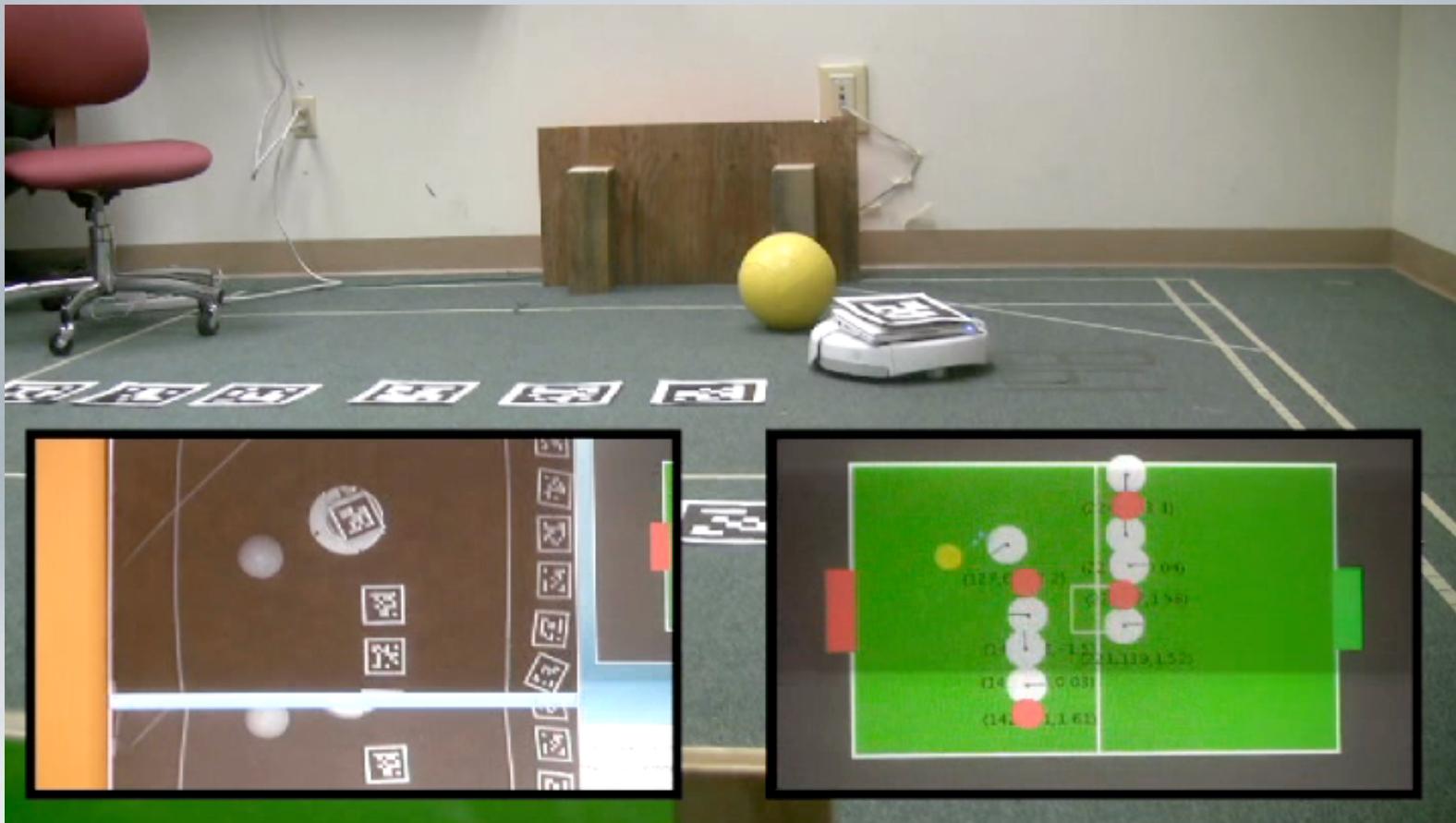


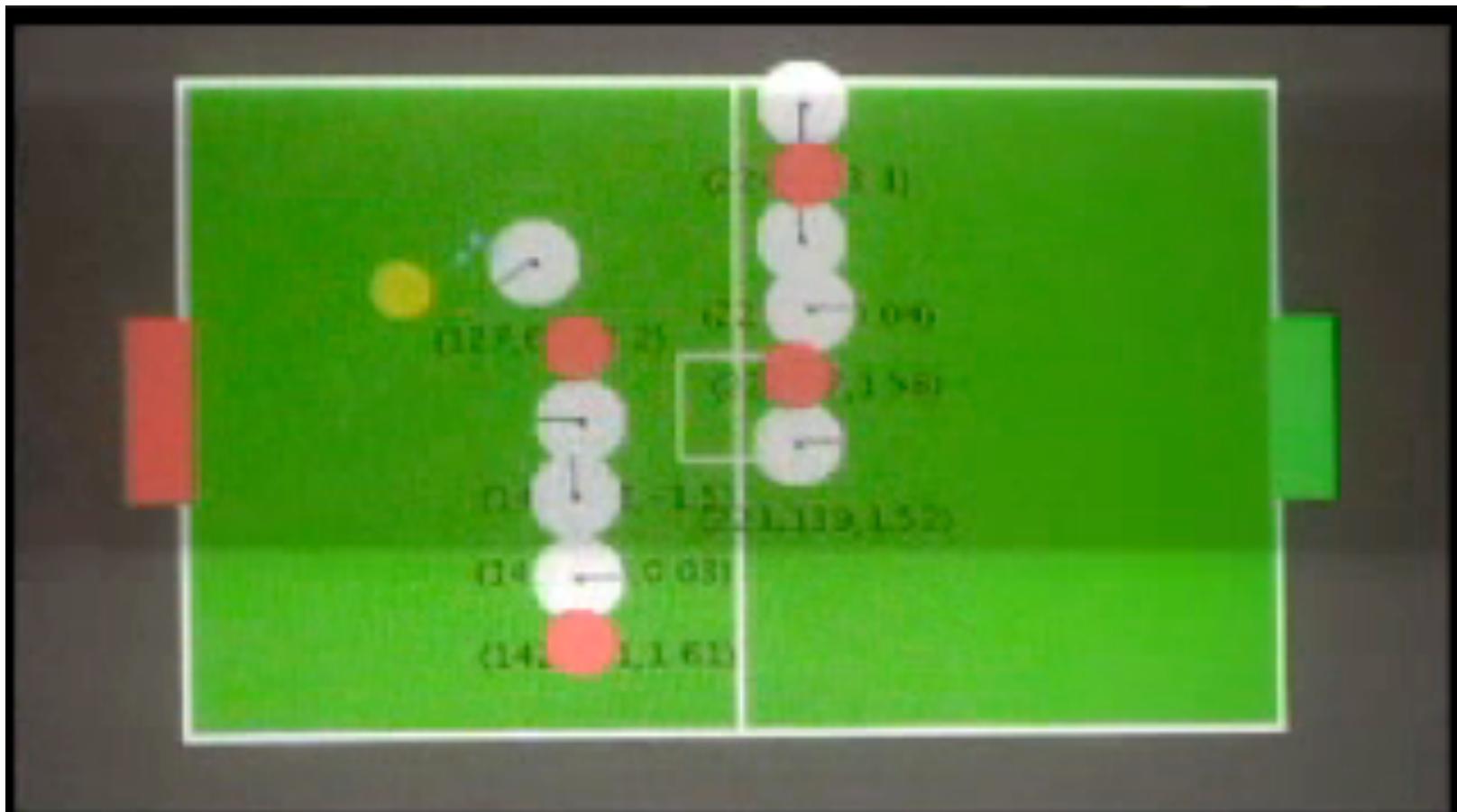
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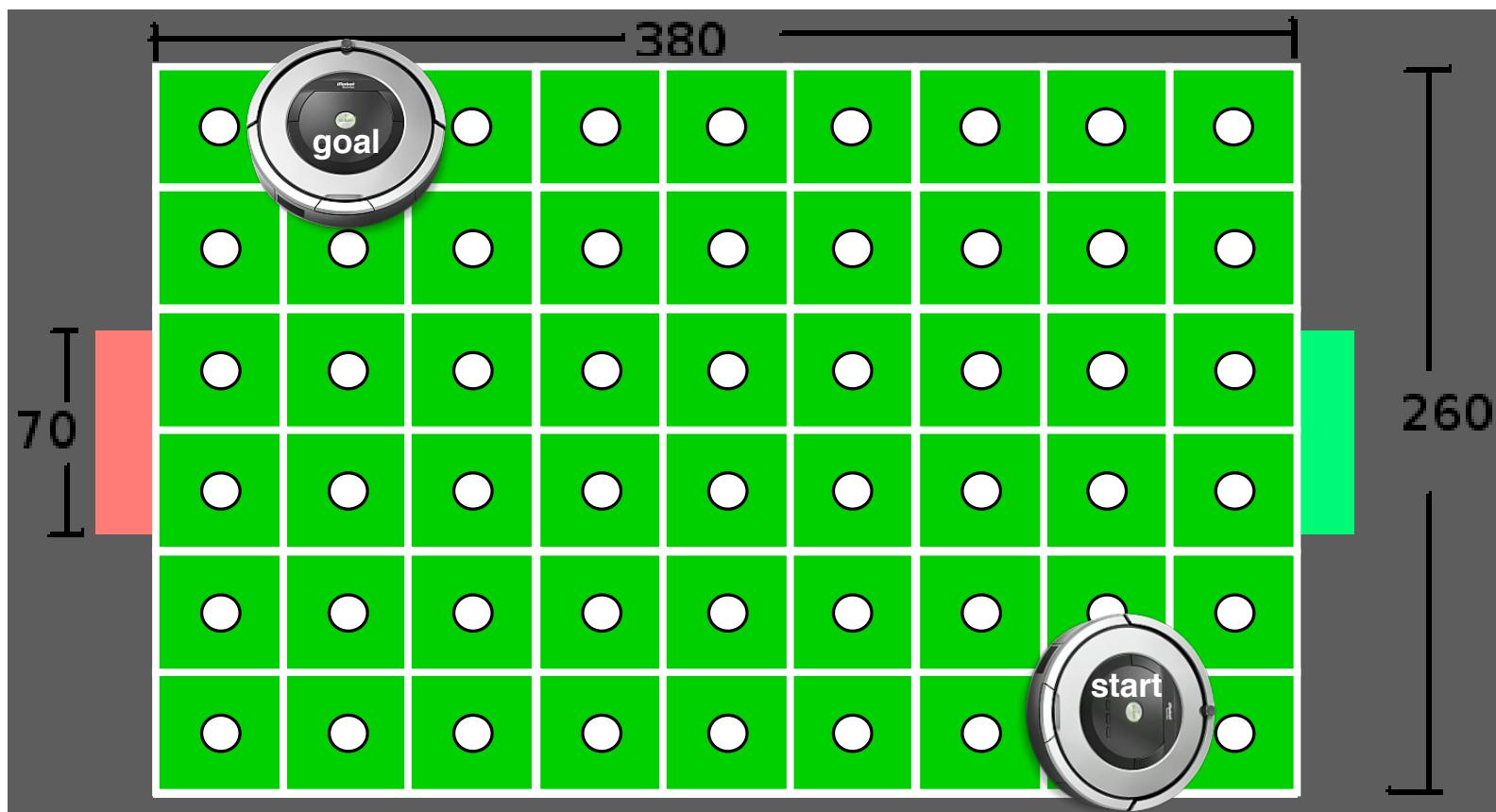
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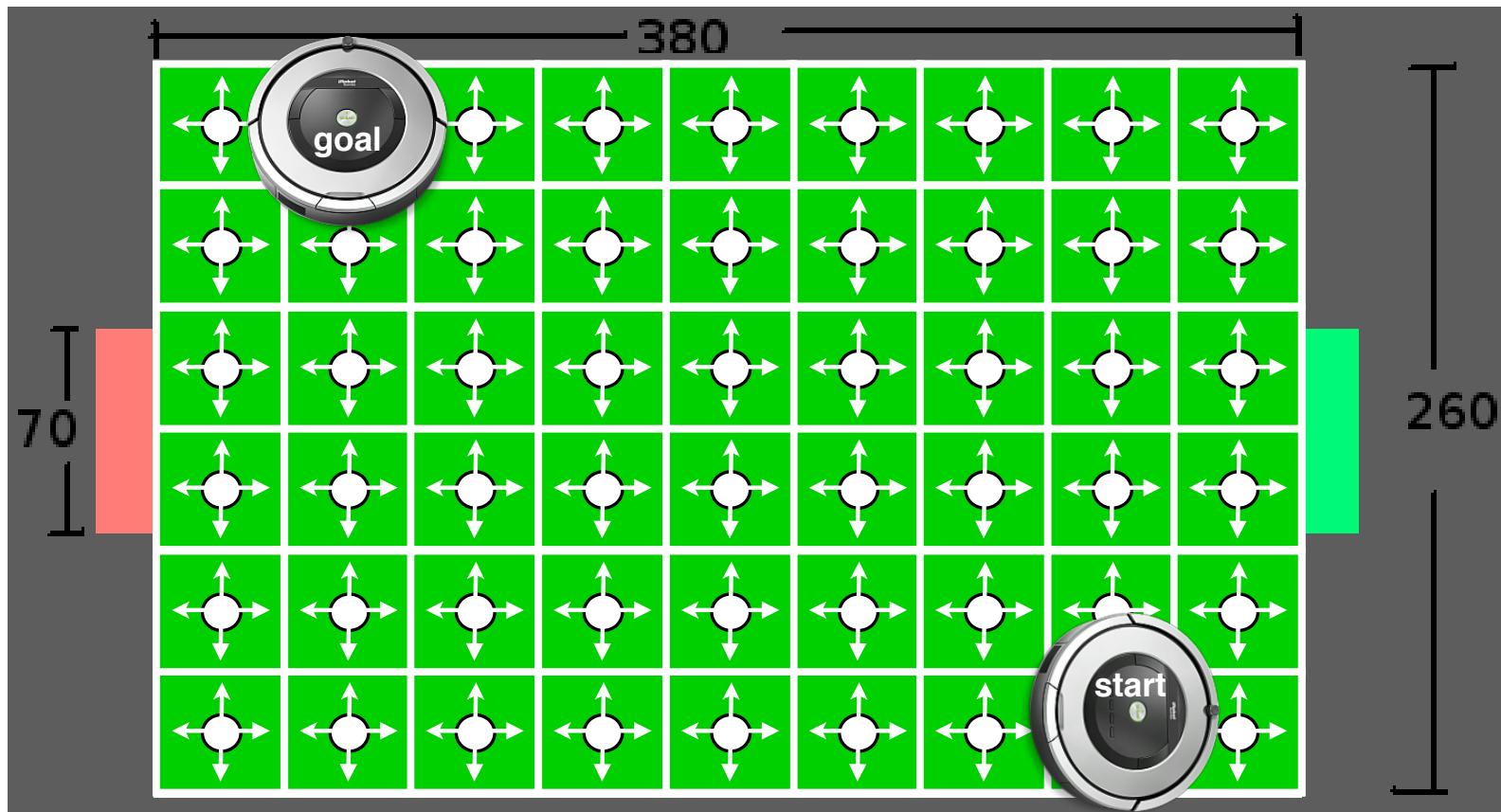


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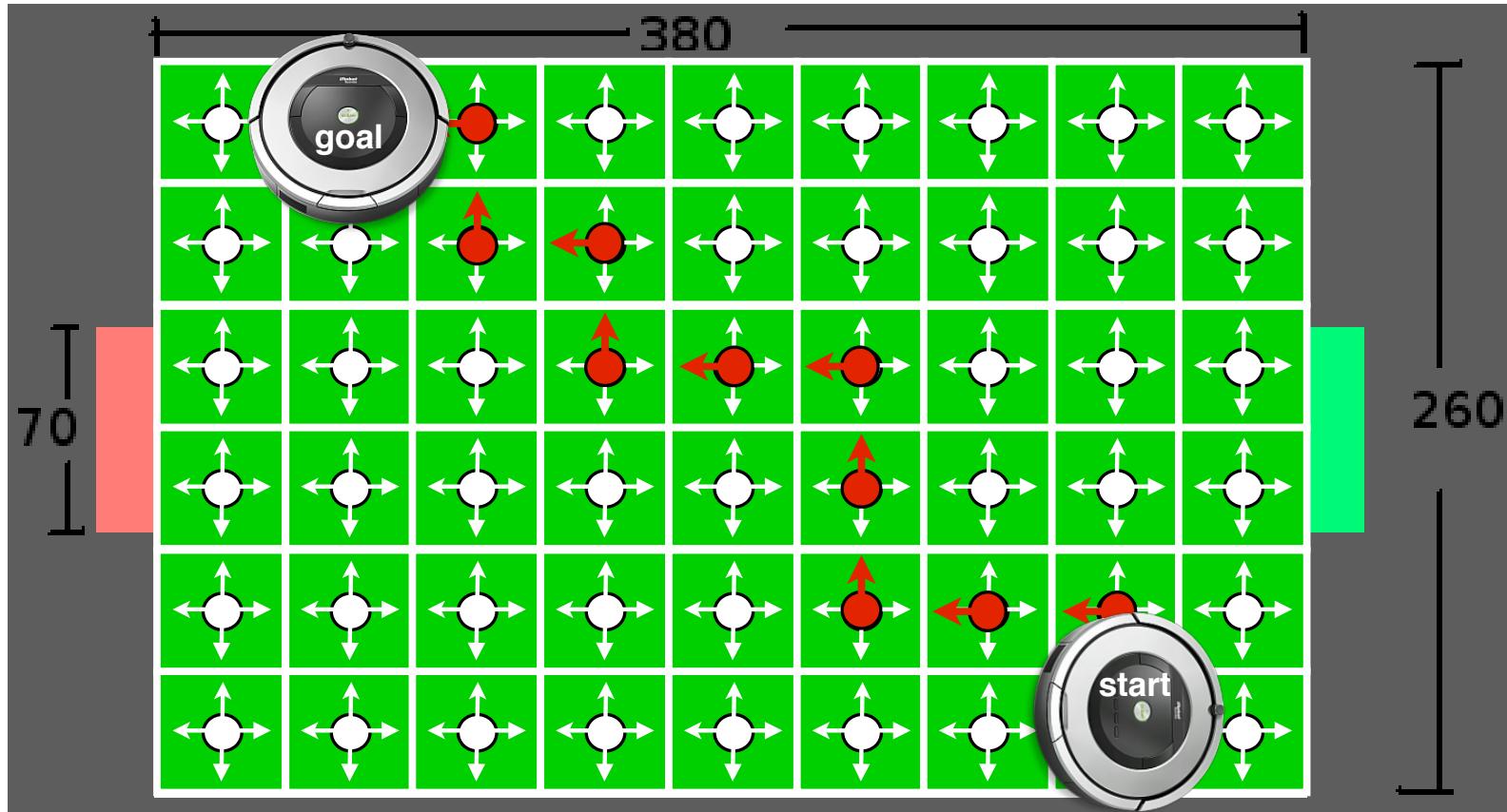
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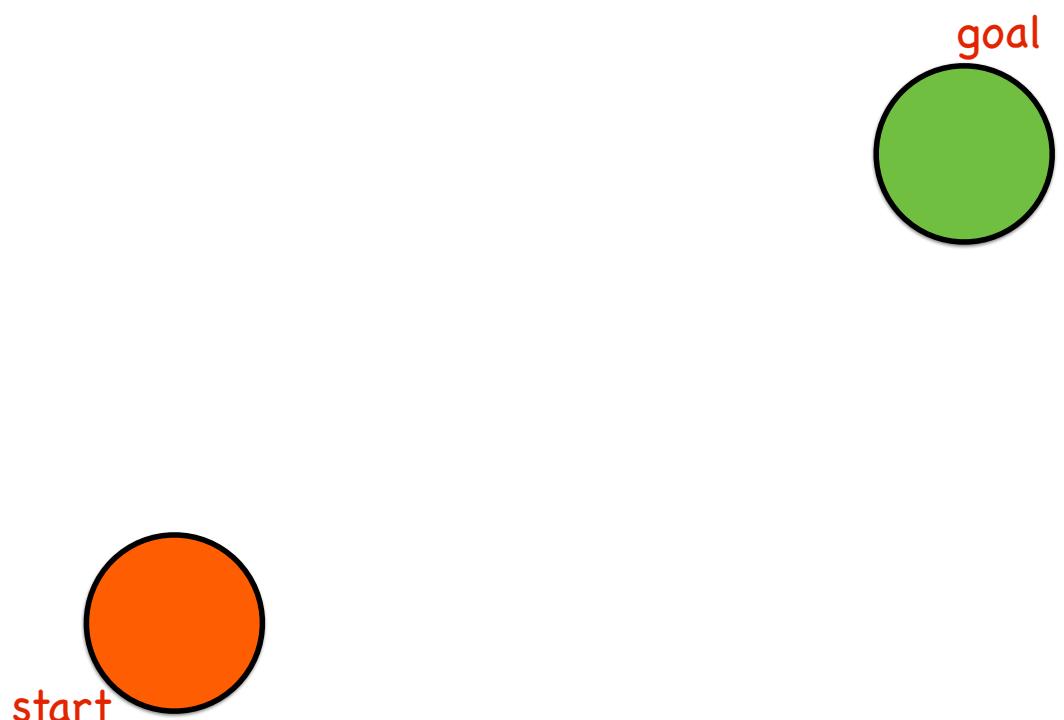


Approaches to motion planning

- Bug algorithms: Bug[0-2], Tangent Bug
- **Graph Search (fixed graph)**
 - **Depth-first, Breadth-first, Dijkstra, A-star, Greedy best-first**
- Sampling-based Search (build graph):
 - Probabilistic Road Maps, Rapidly-exploring Random Trees
- Optimization (local search):
 - Gradient descent, potential fields, Wavefront

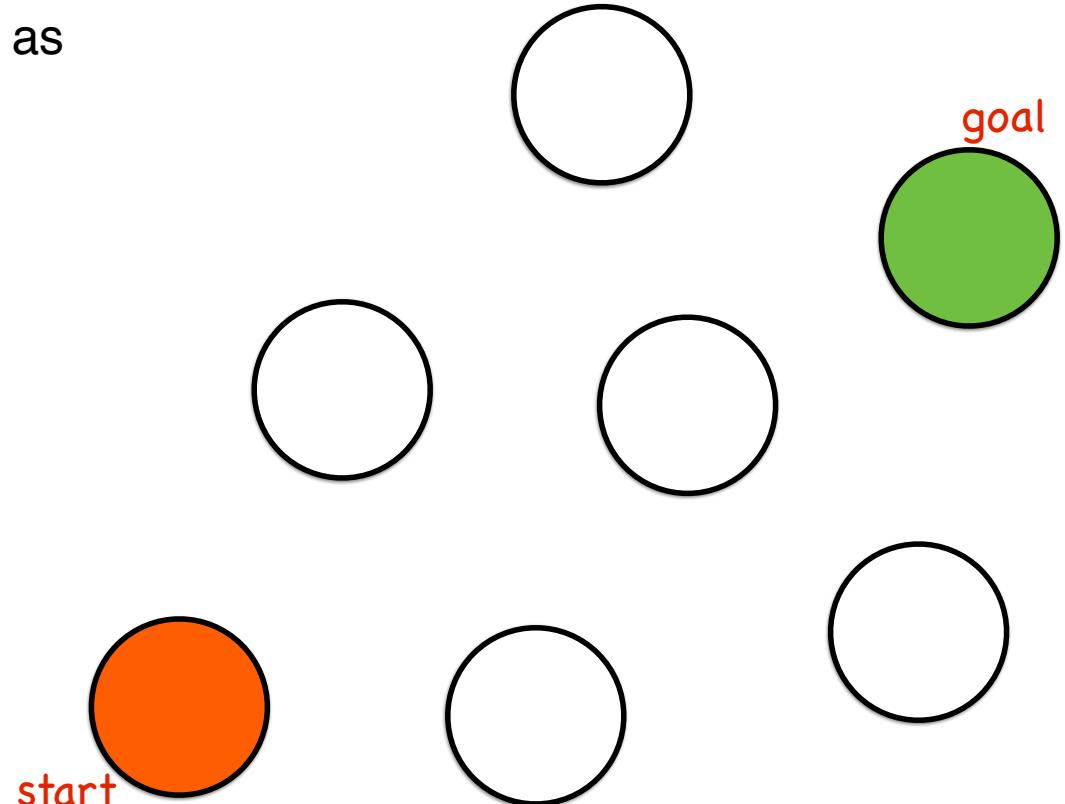
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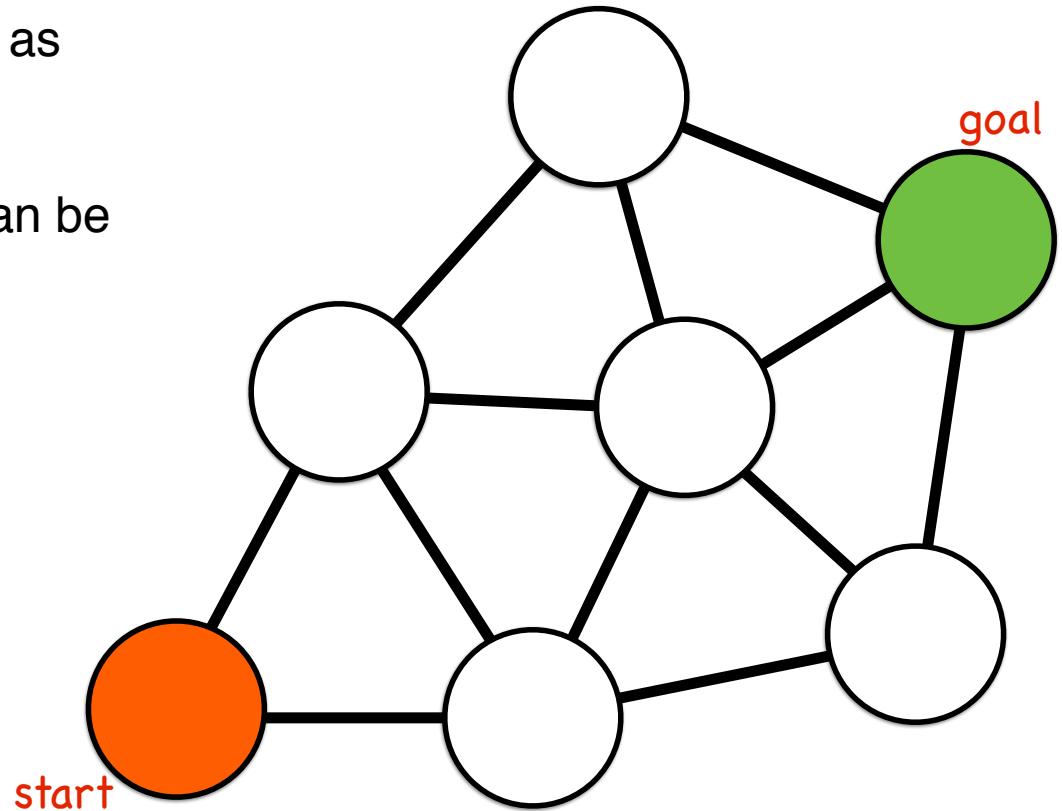
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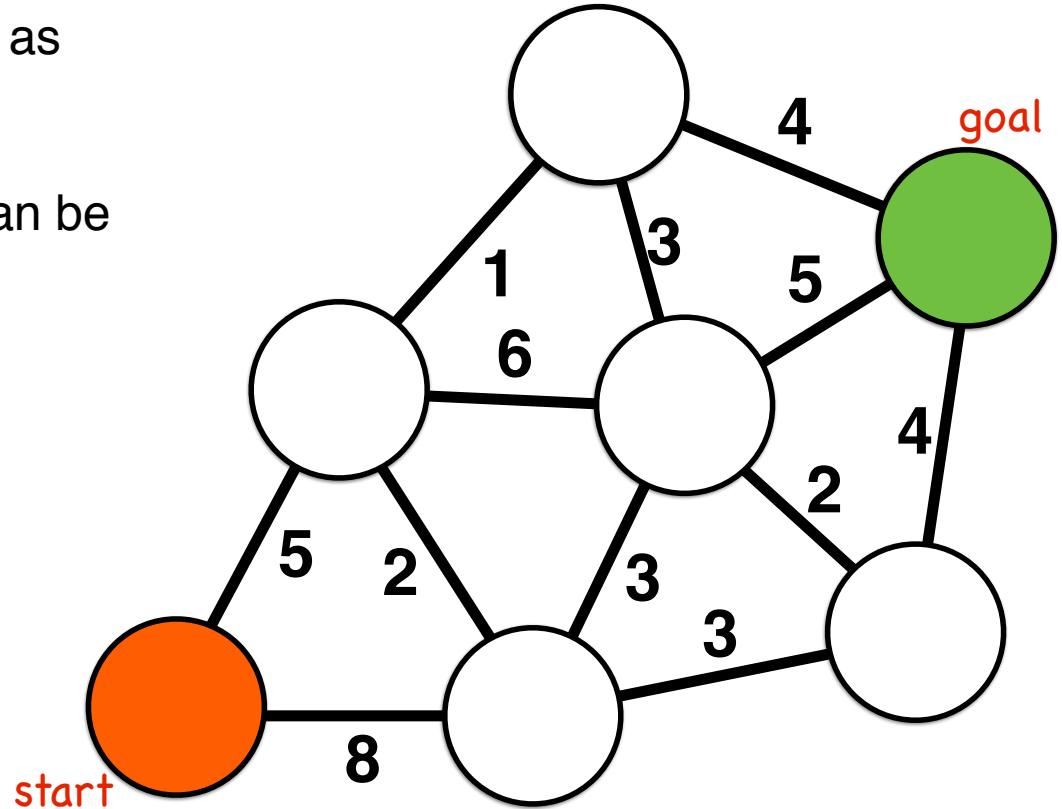


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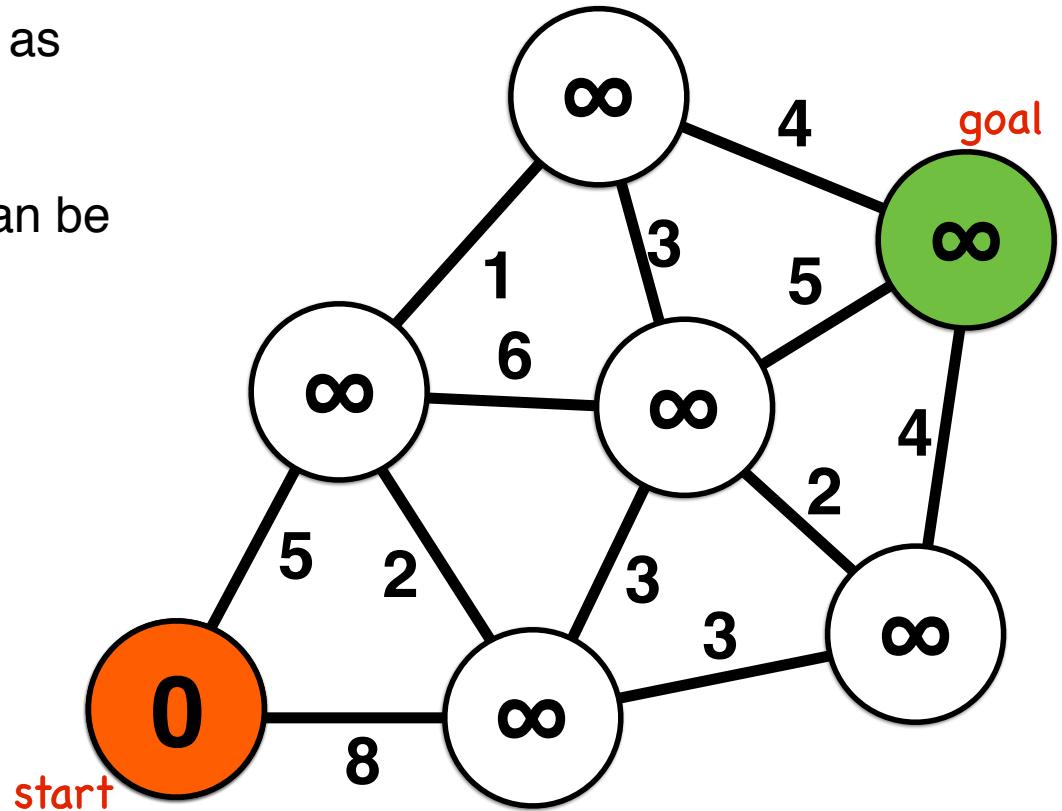
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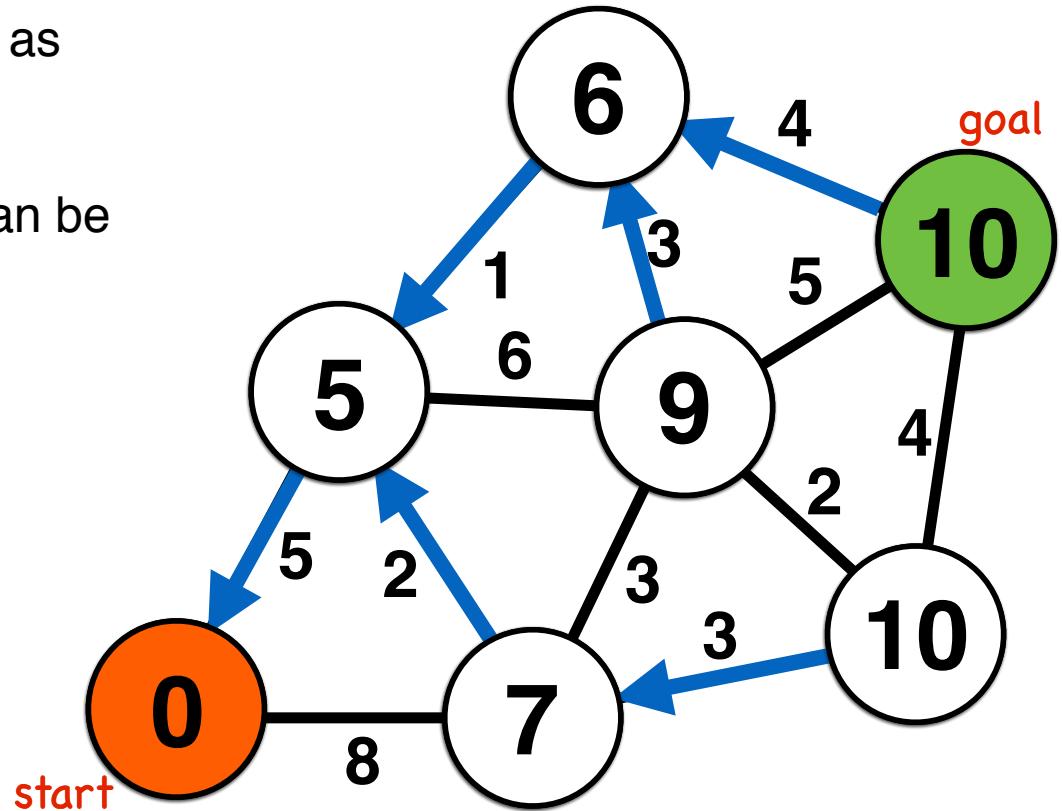
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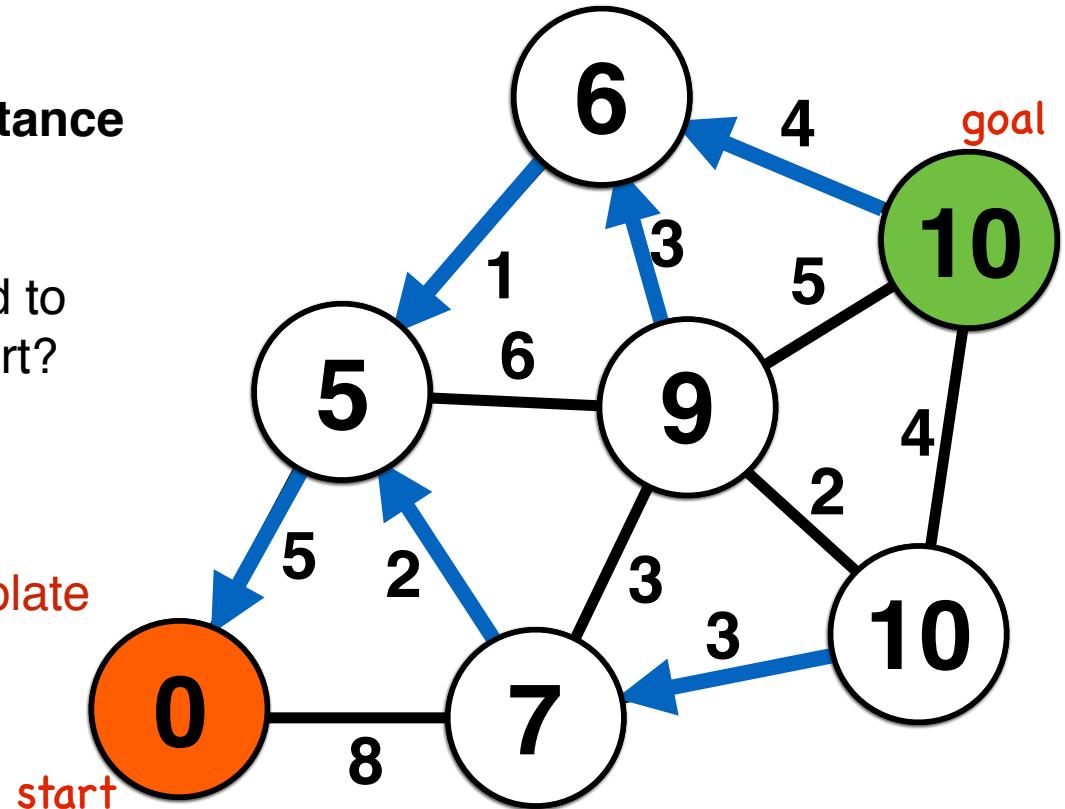


Path Planning as Graph Search

Which route is best to optimize **distance** traveled from start?

Which **parent** node should be used to specify route between goal and start?

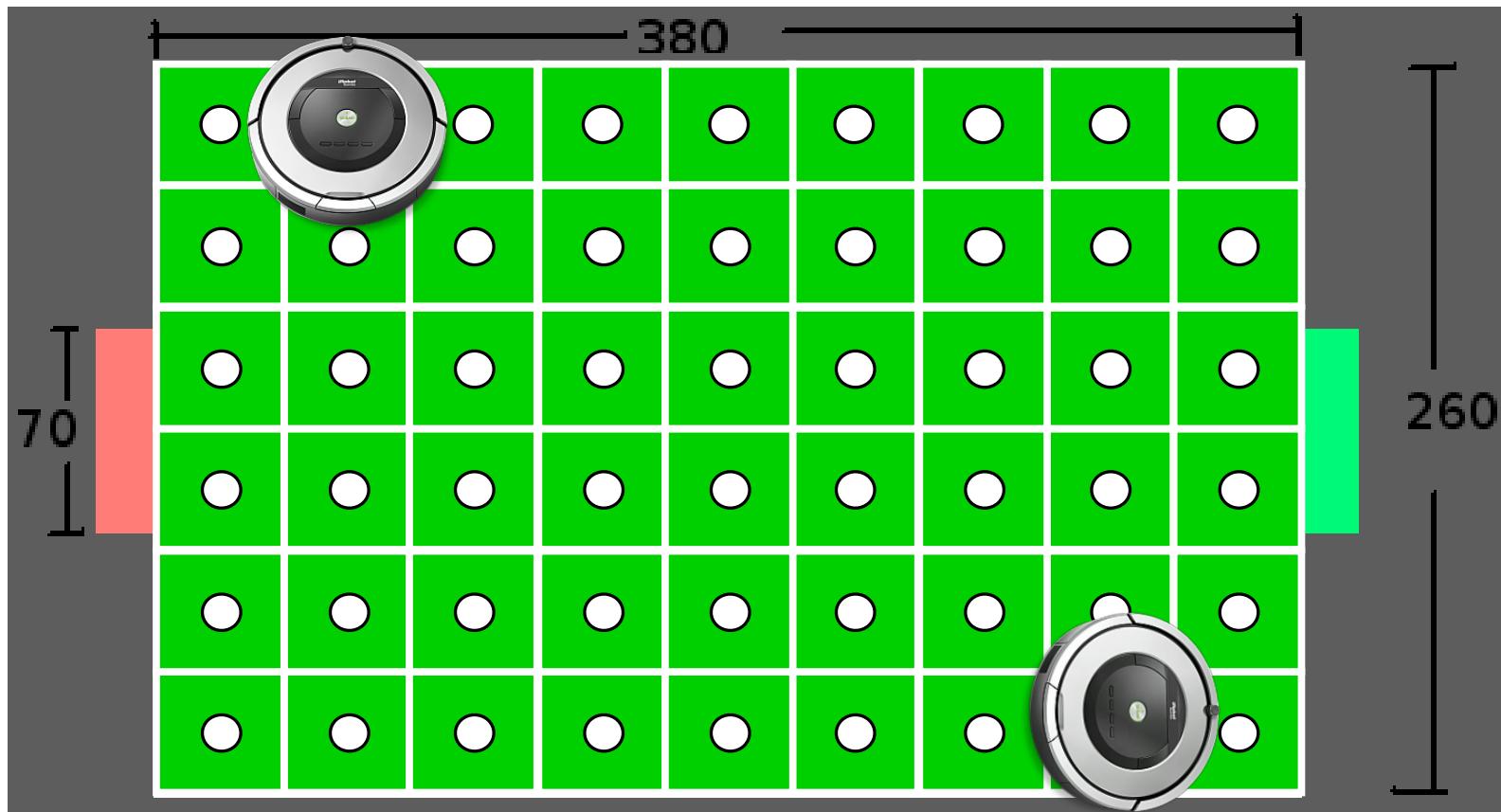
We will use a single algorithm template for our graph search computation



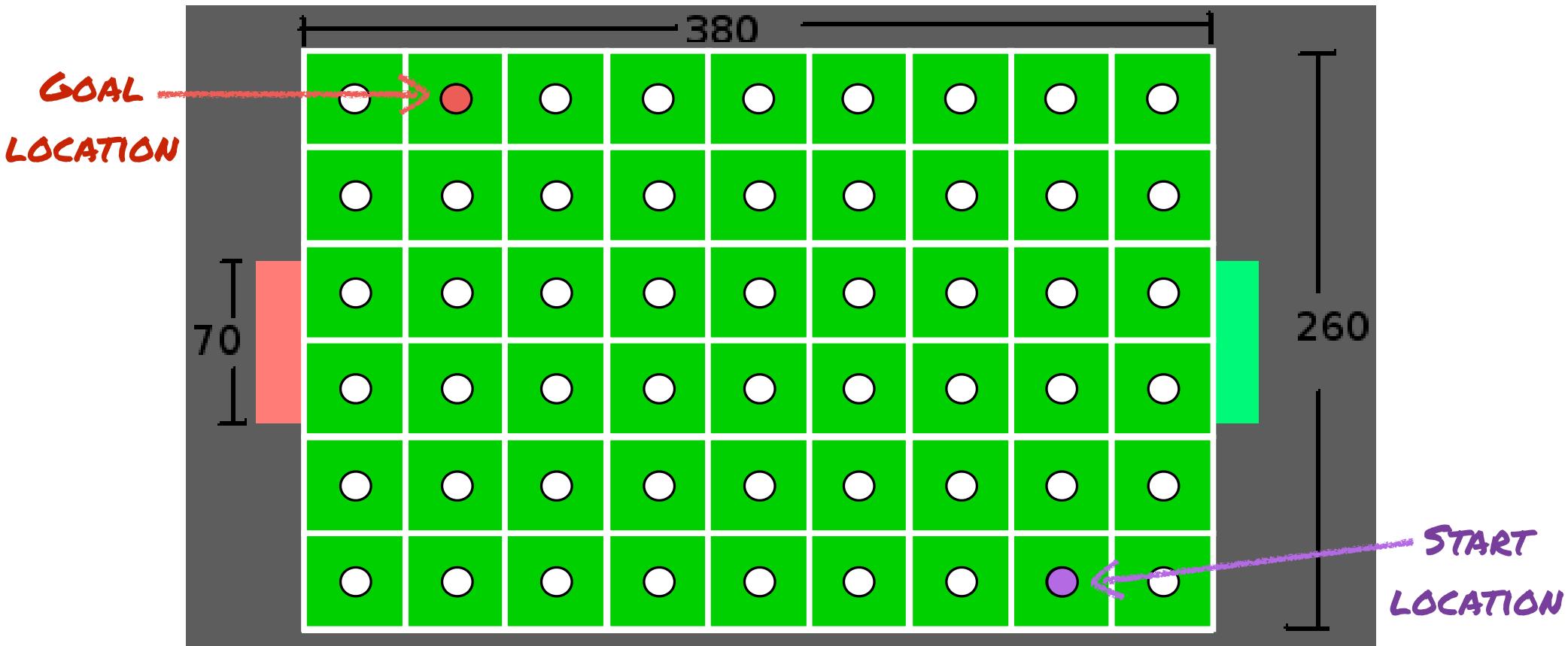
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intuition and walkthrough

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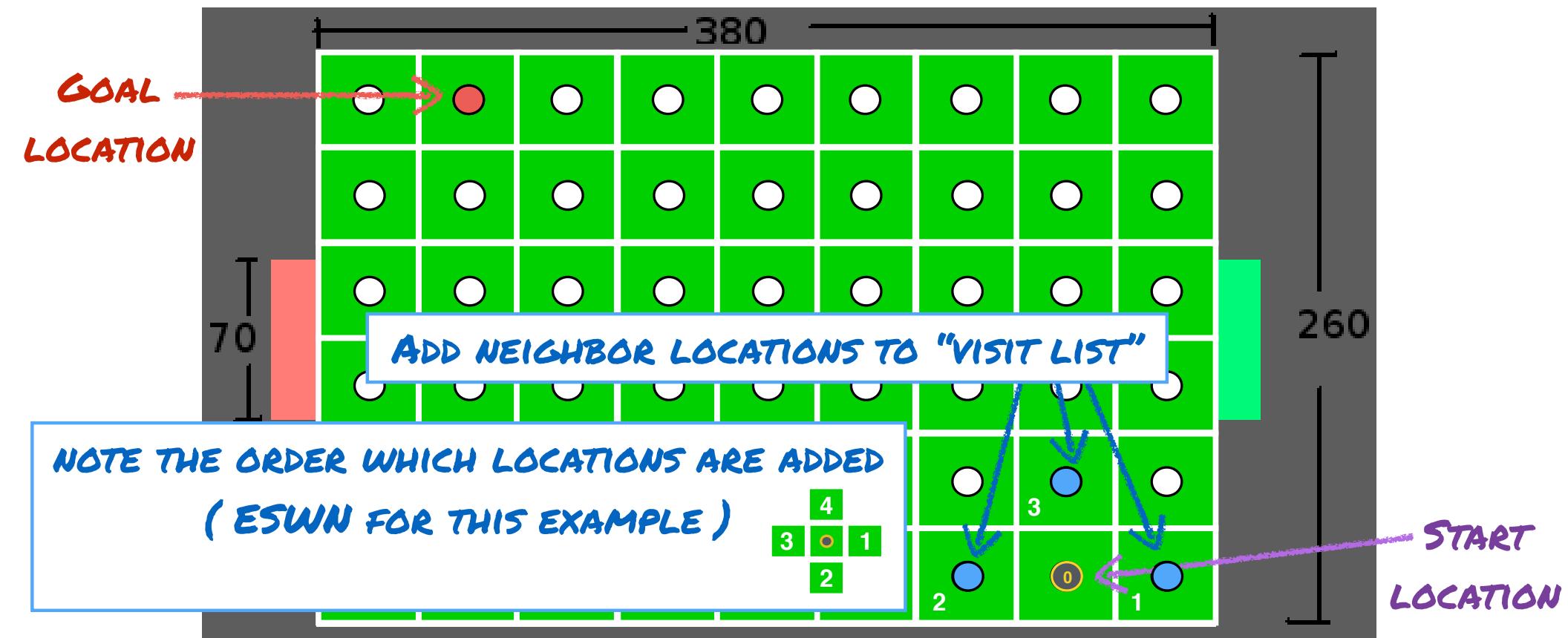
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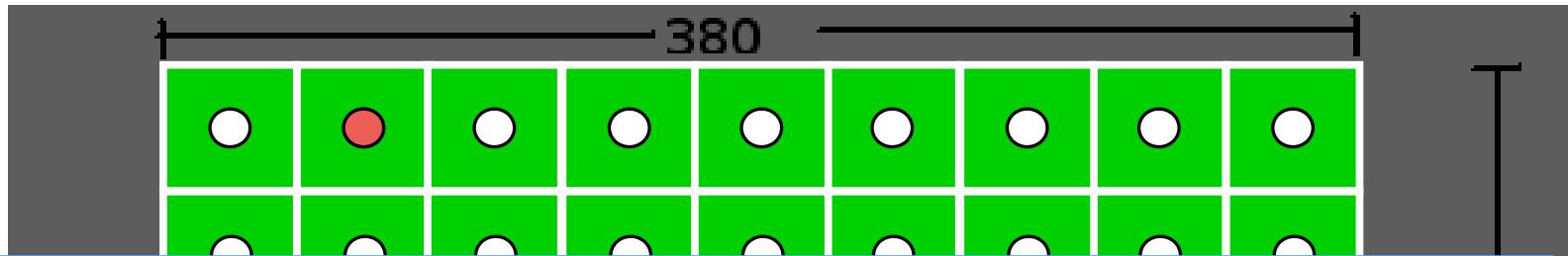
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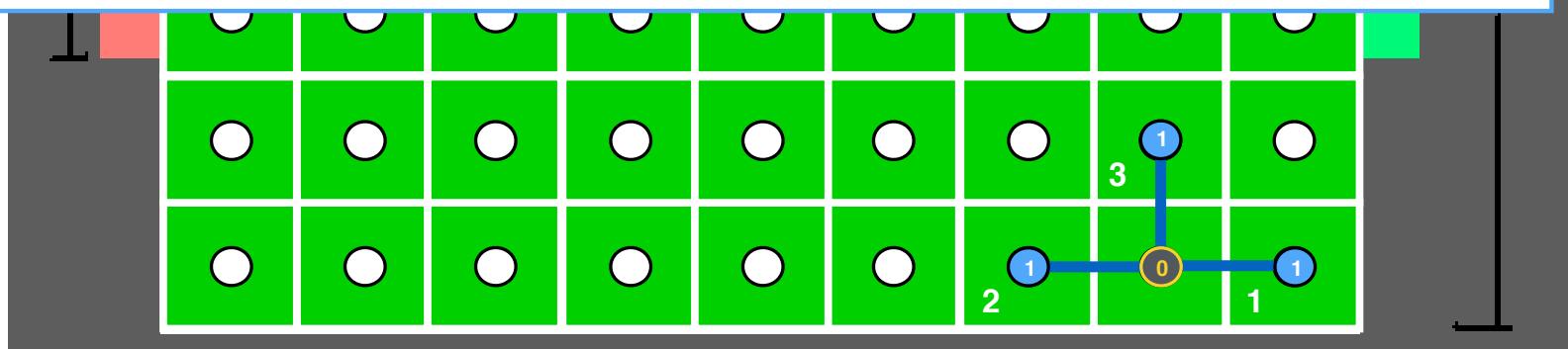
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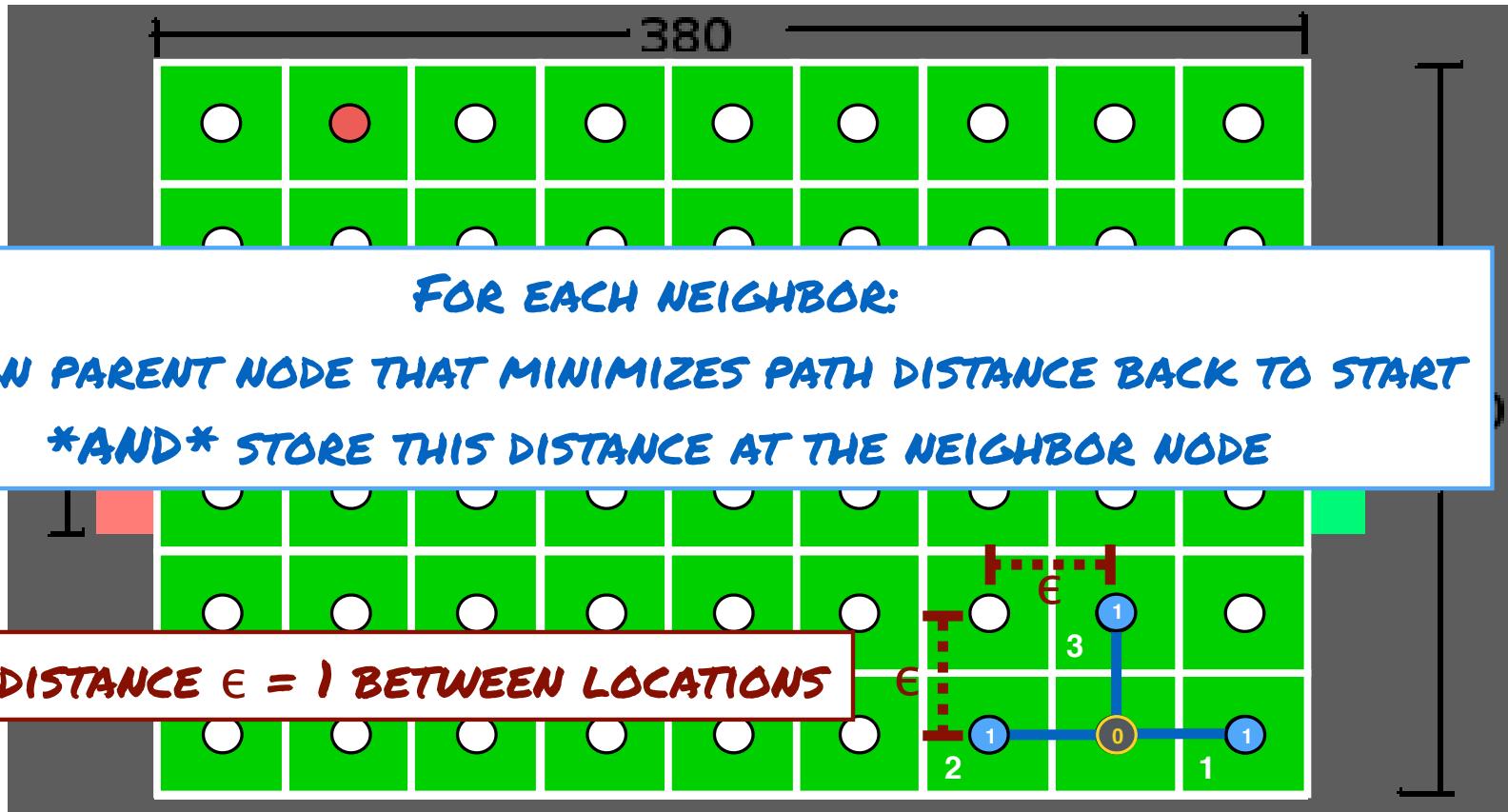
FOR EACH NEIGHBOR:

ASSIGN PARENT NODE THAT MINIMIZES PATH DISTANCE BACK TO START

AND STORE THIS DISTANCE AT THE NEIGHBOR NODE



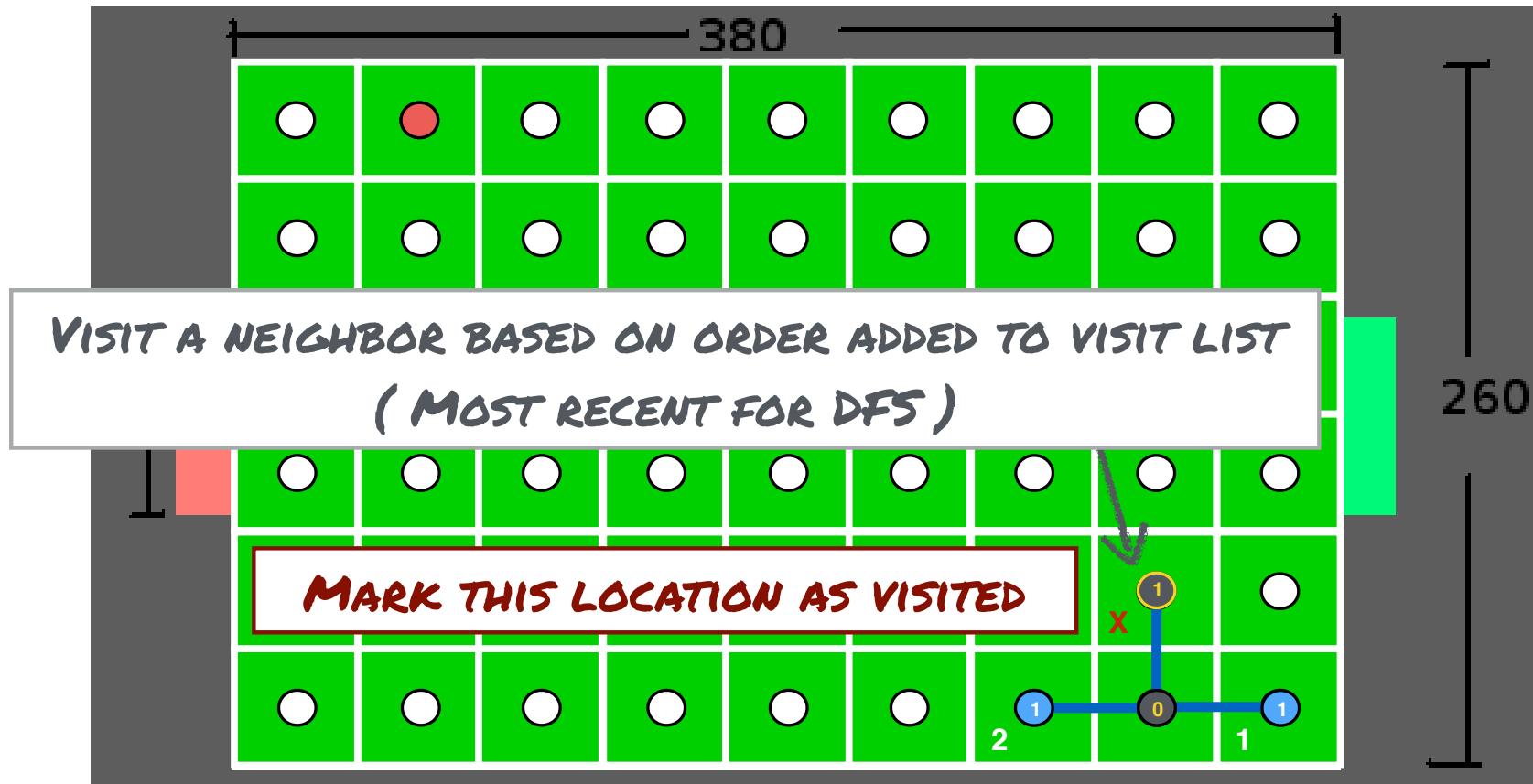
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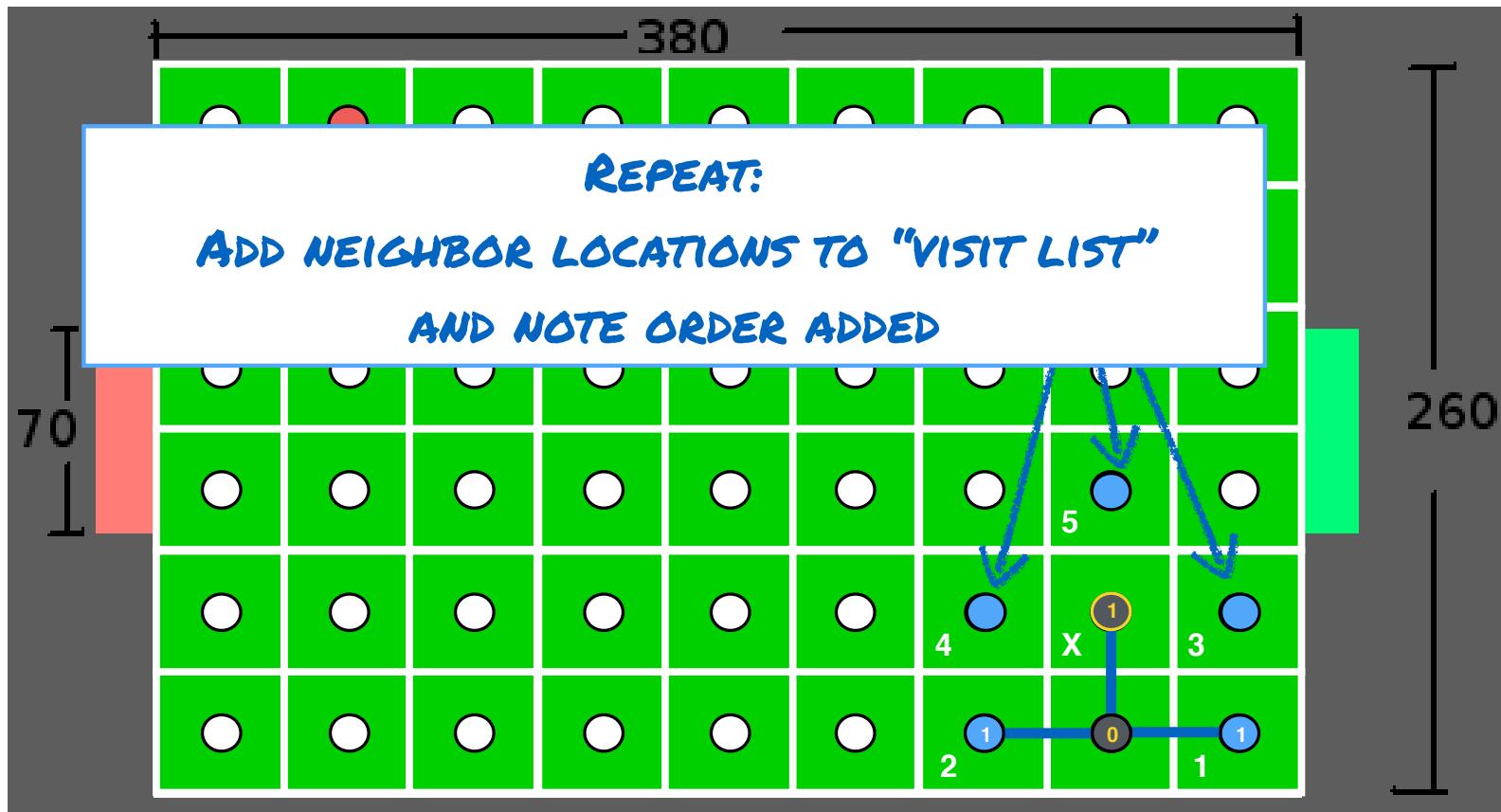
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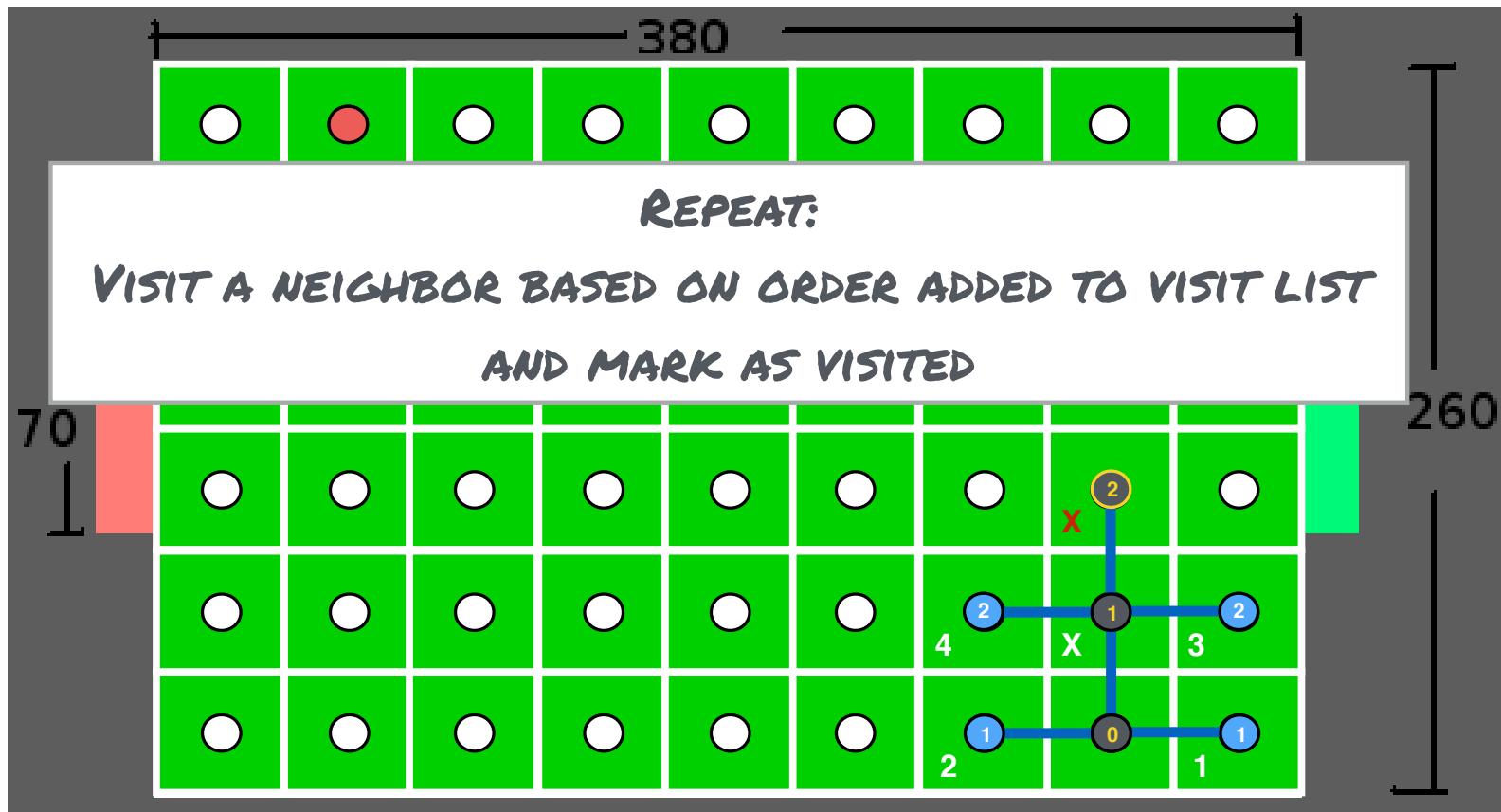
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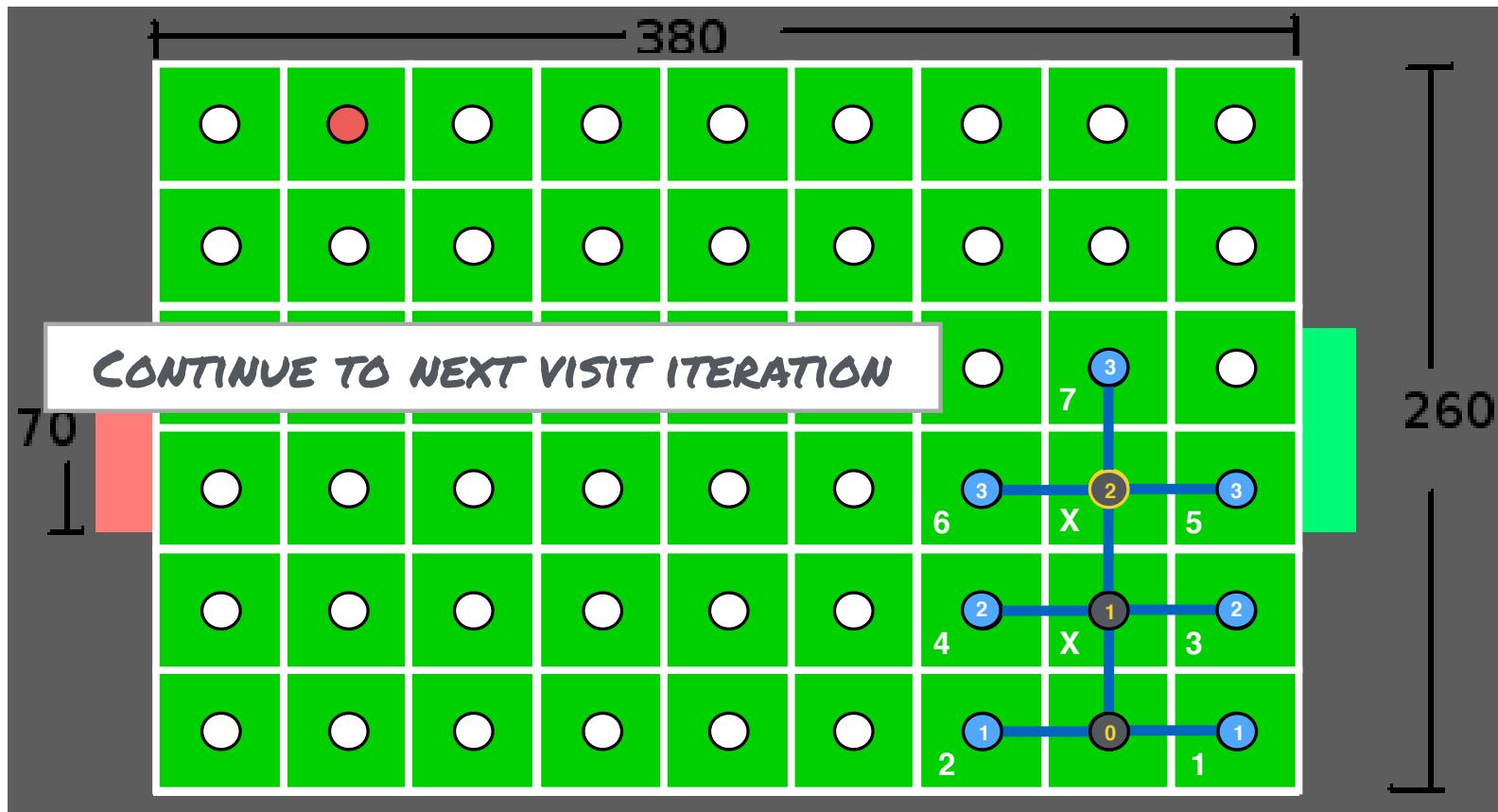
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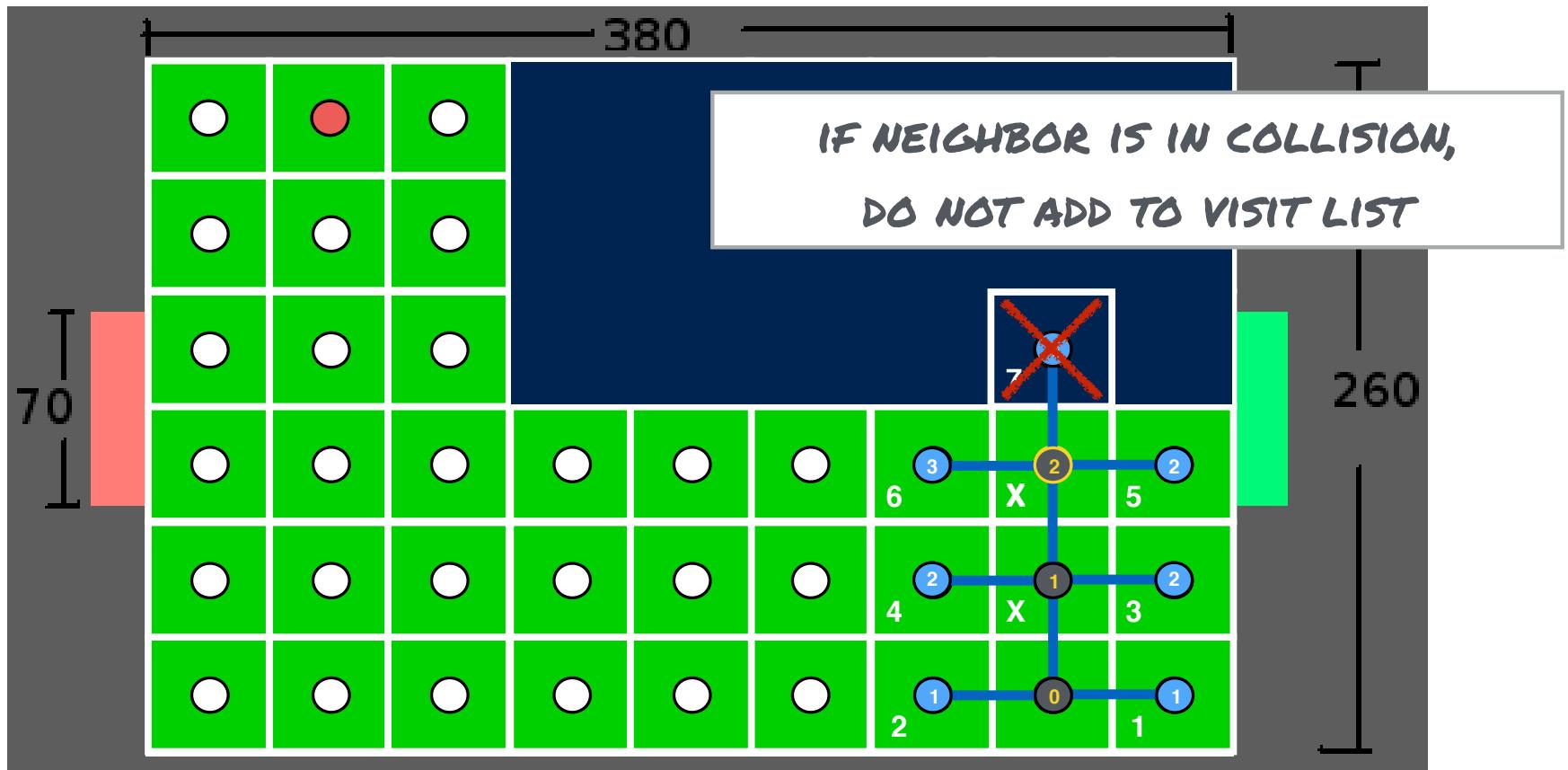
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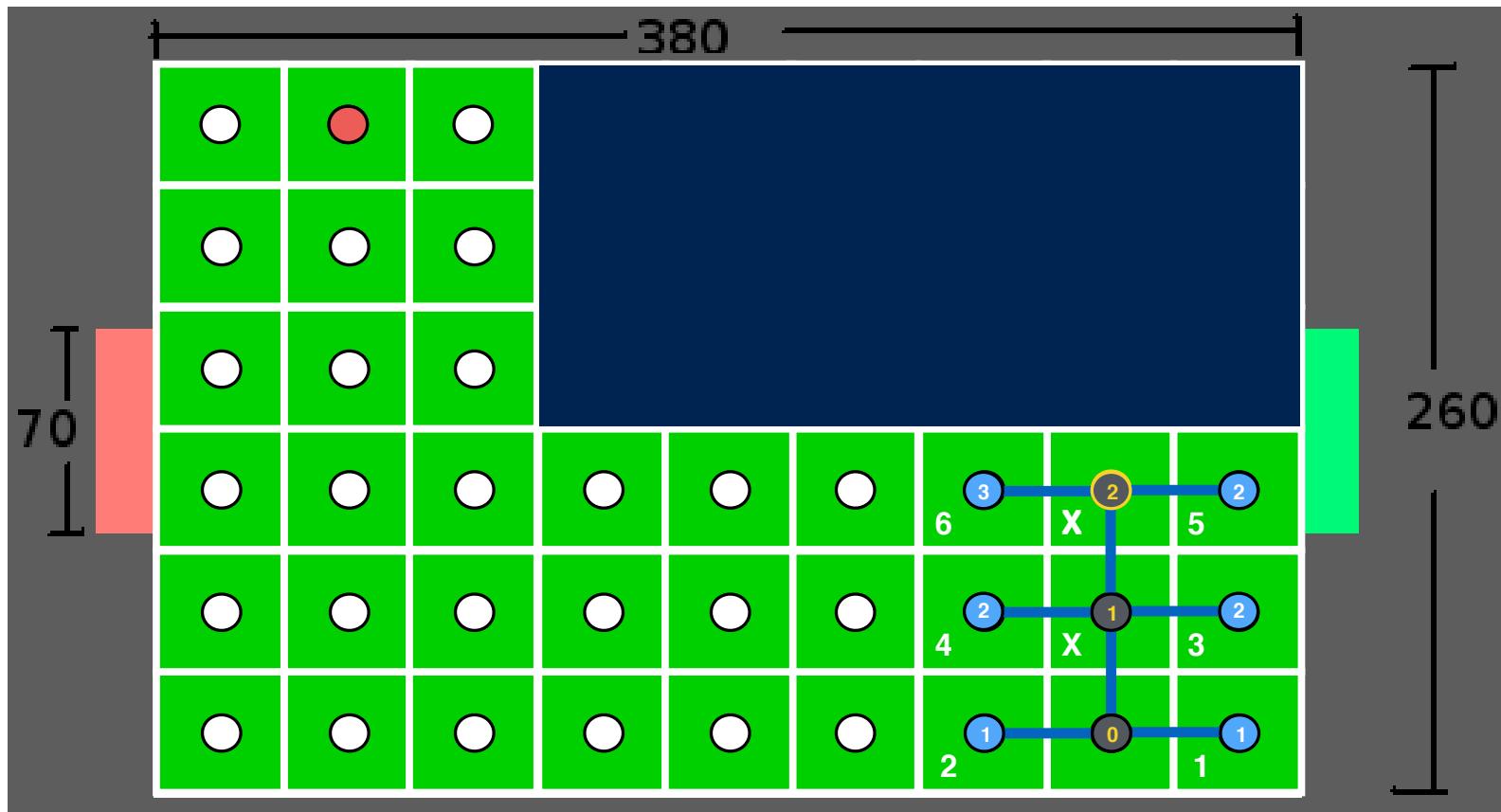
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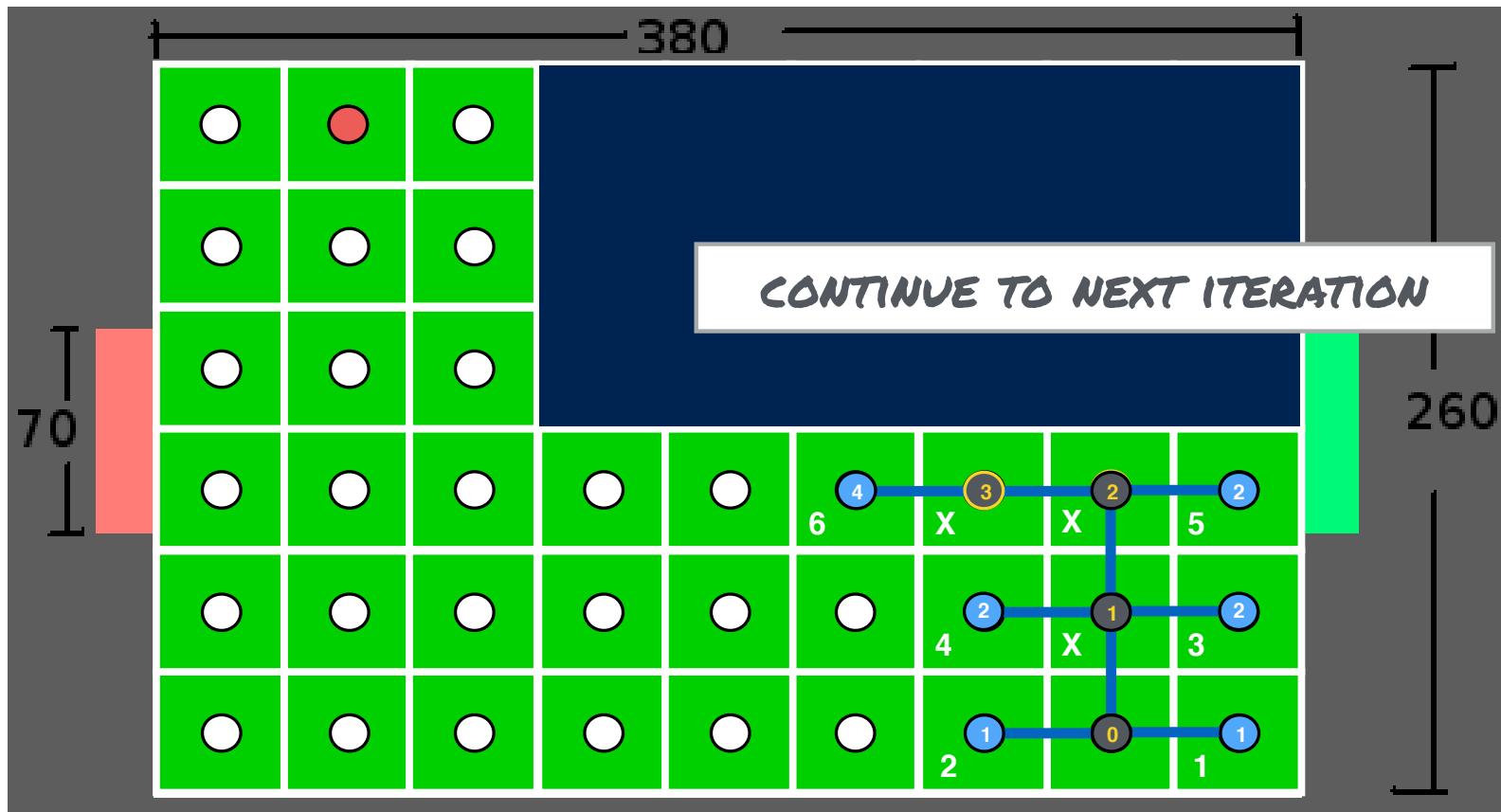
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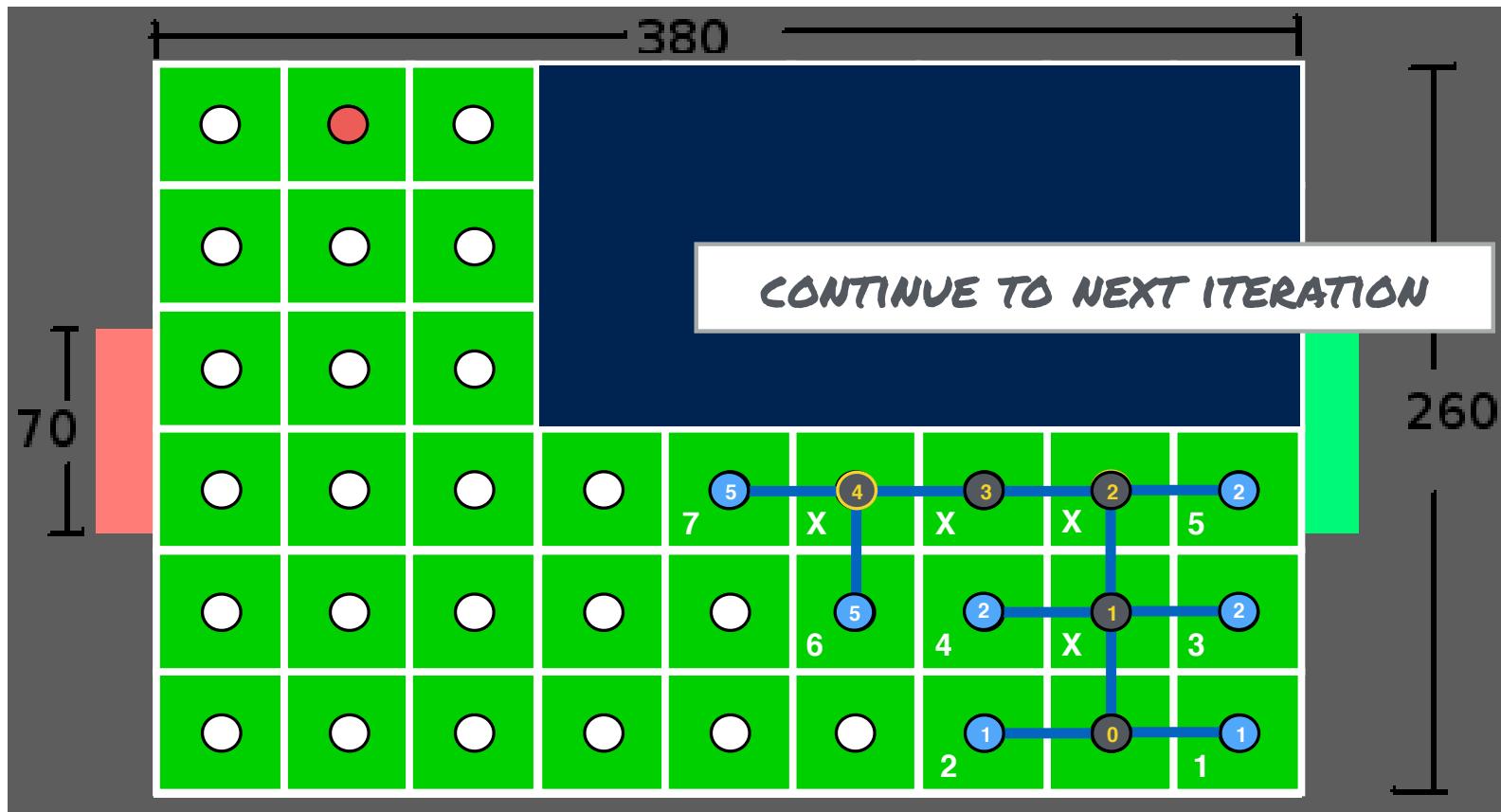
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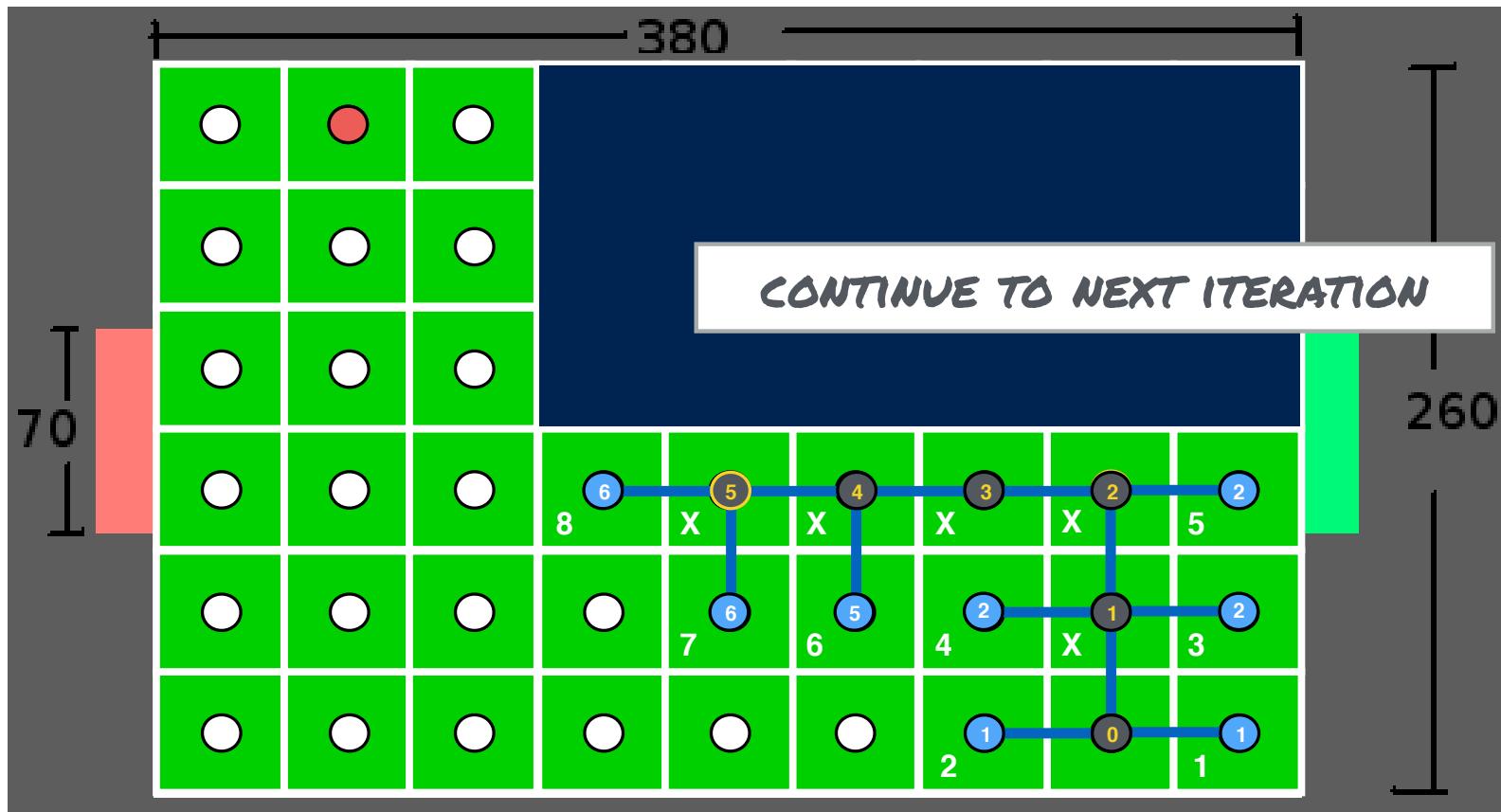
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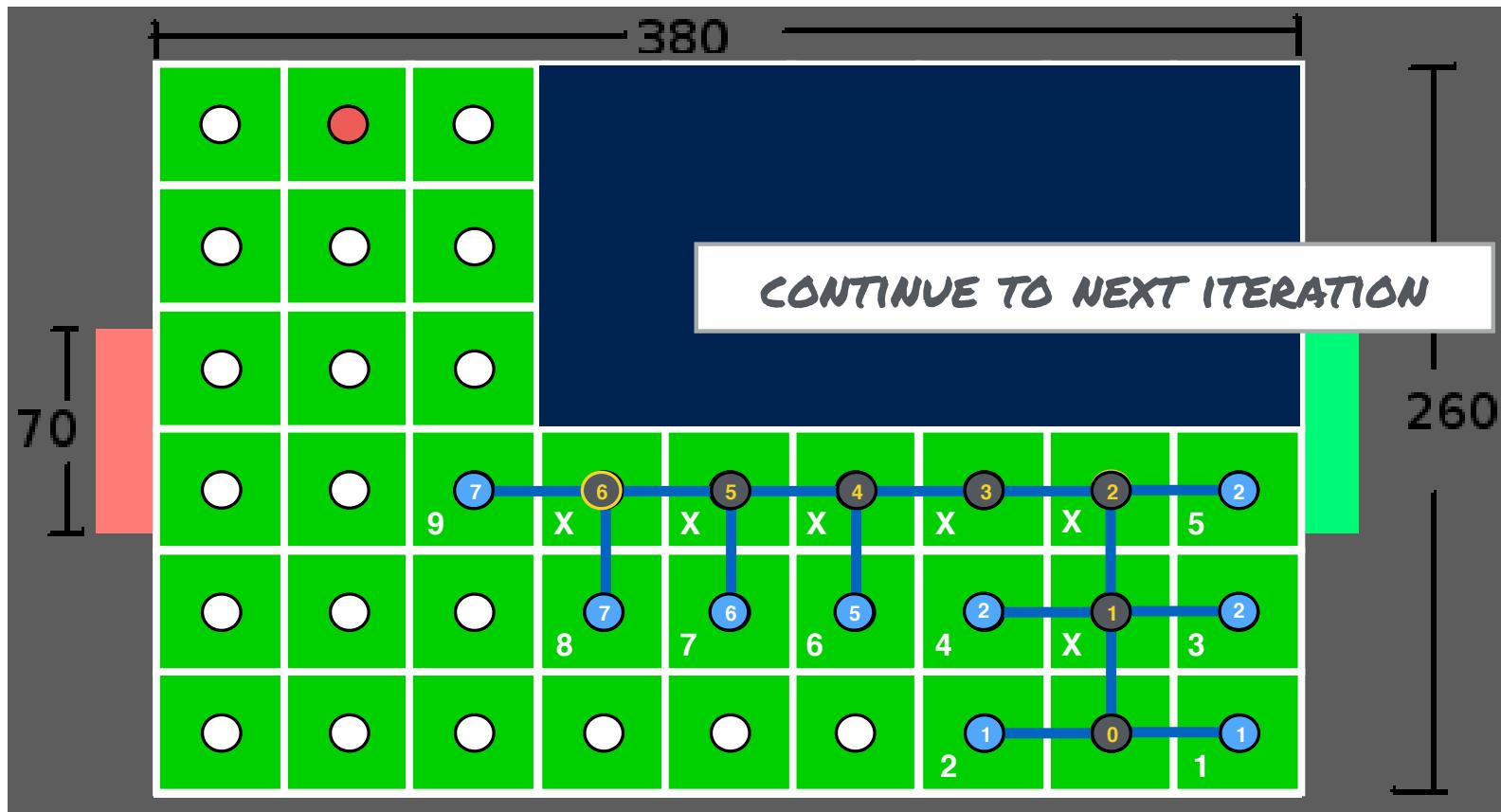
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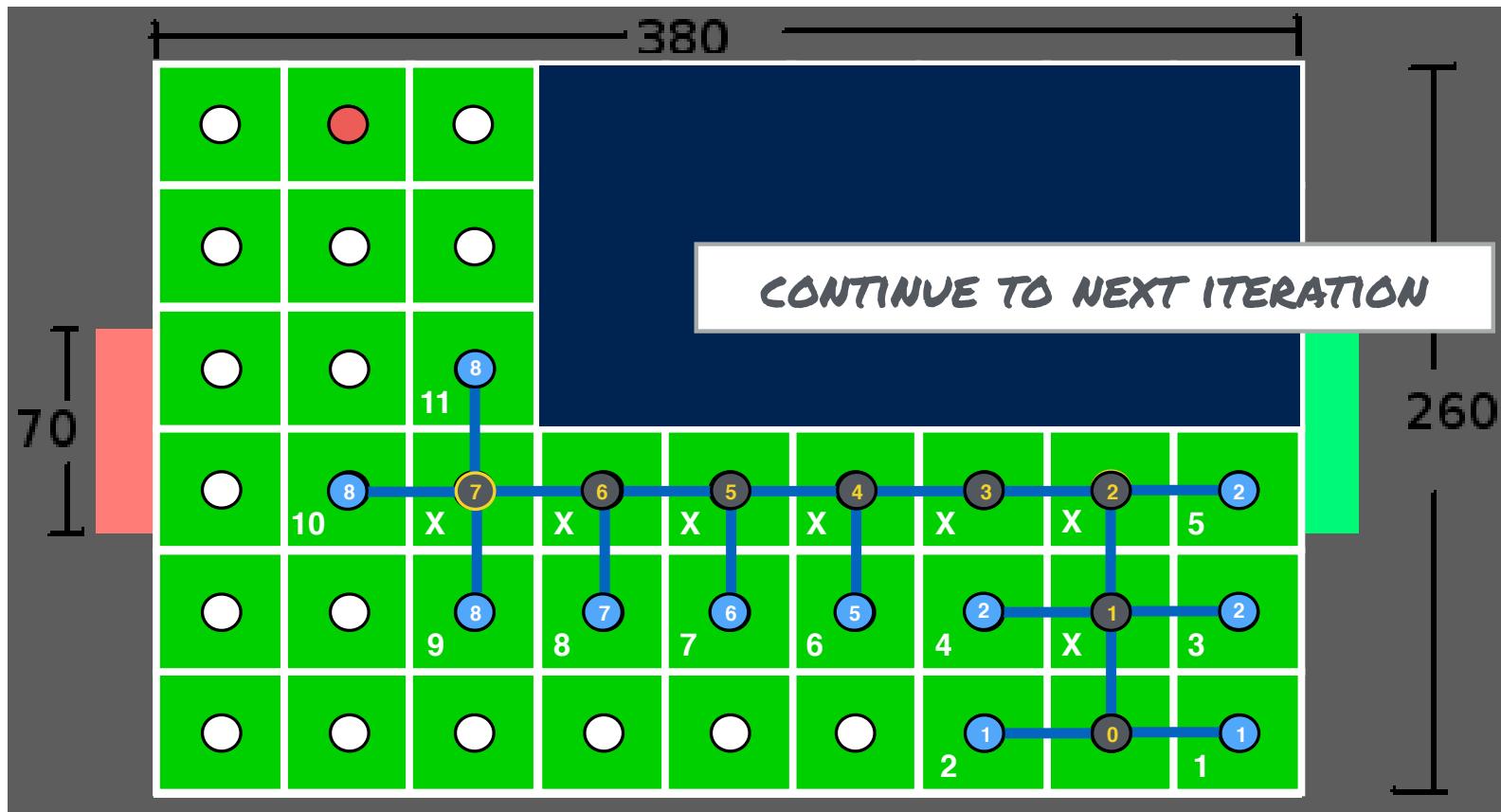
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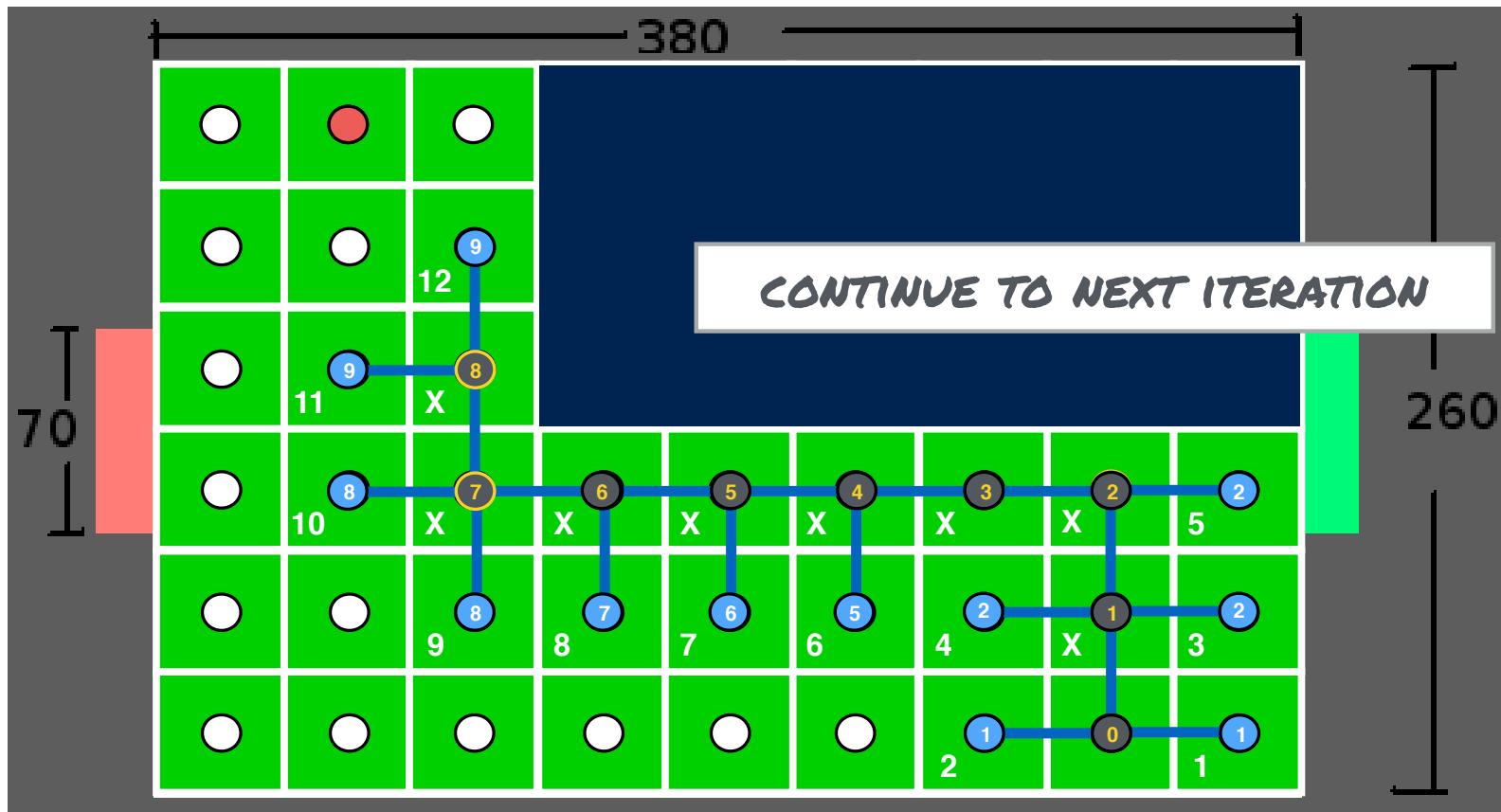
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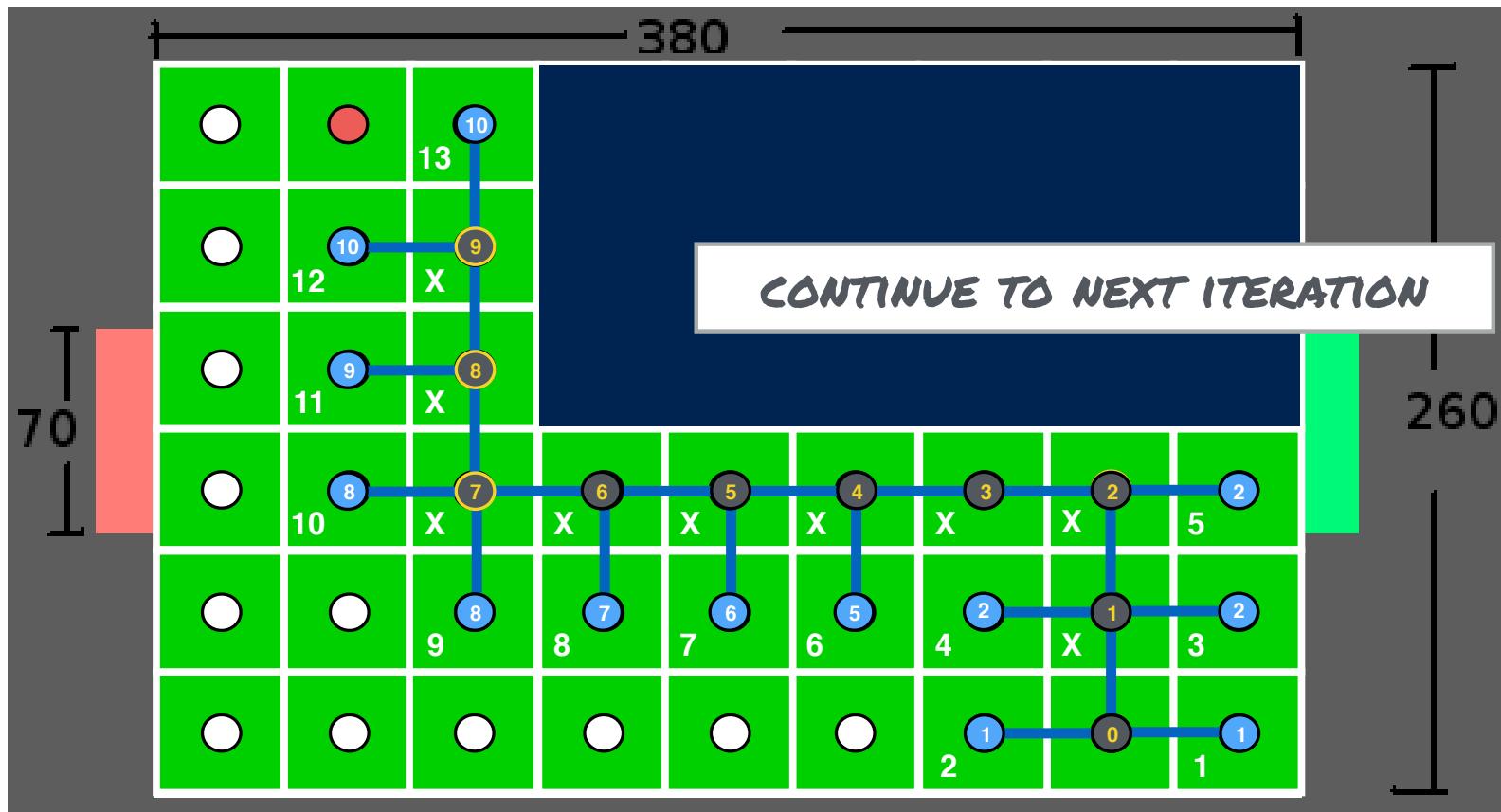
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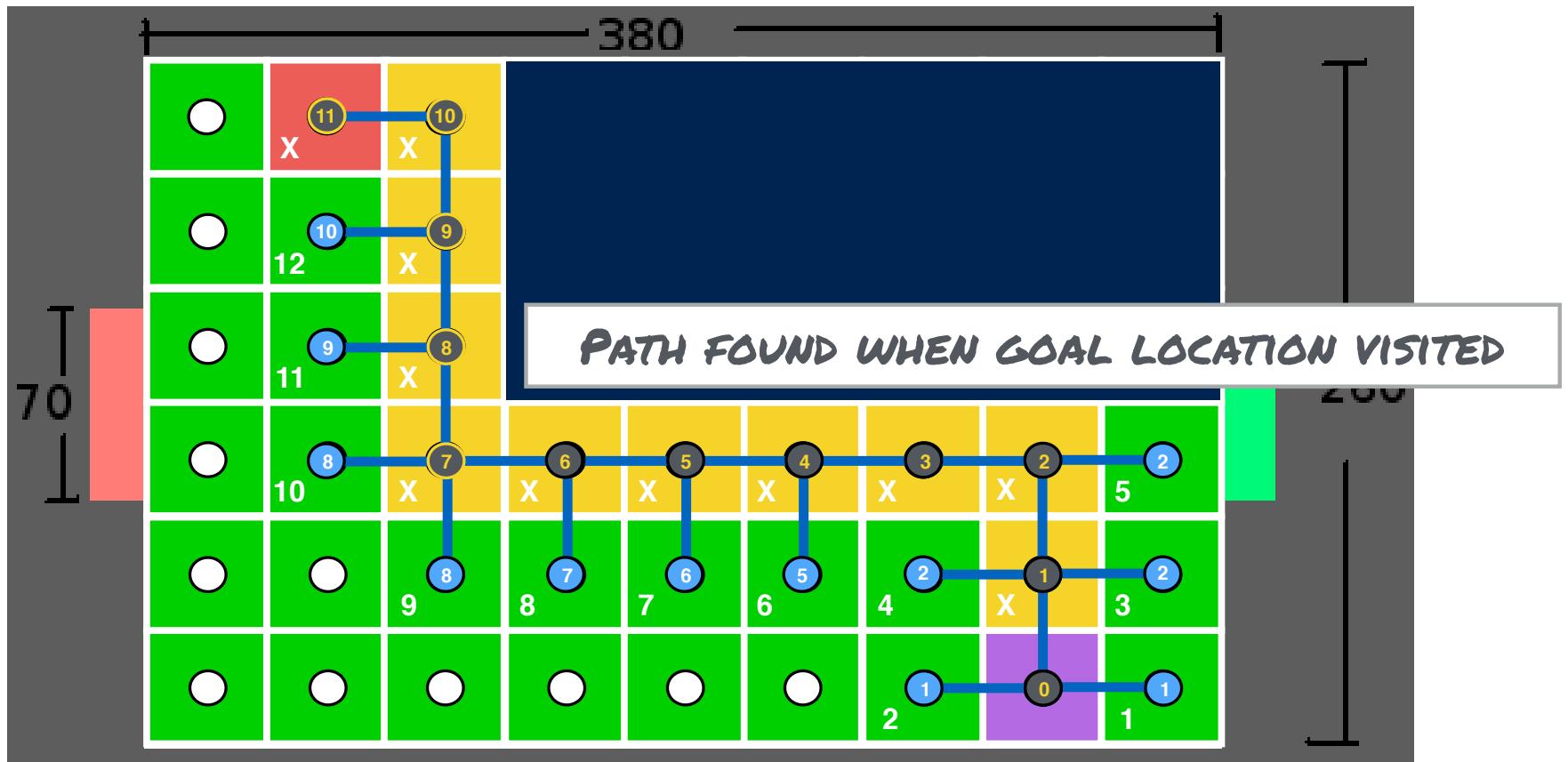
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Let's turn this idea into code

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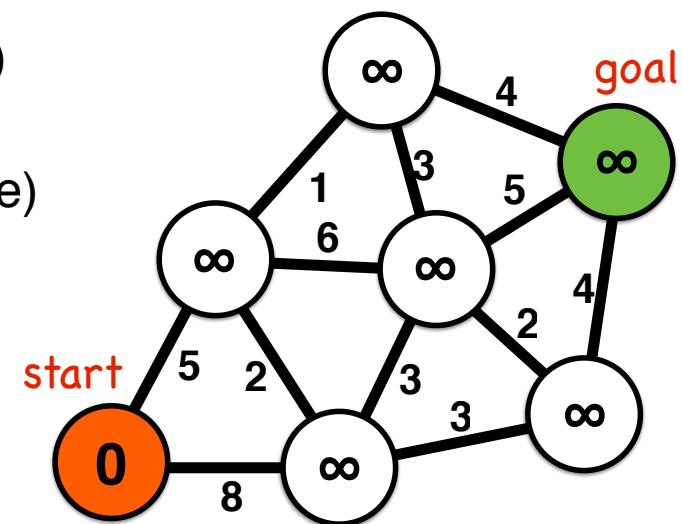
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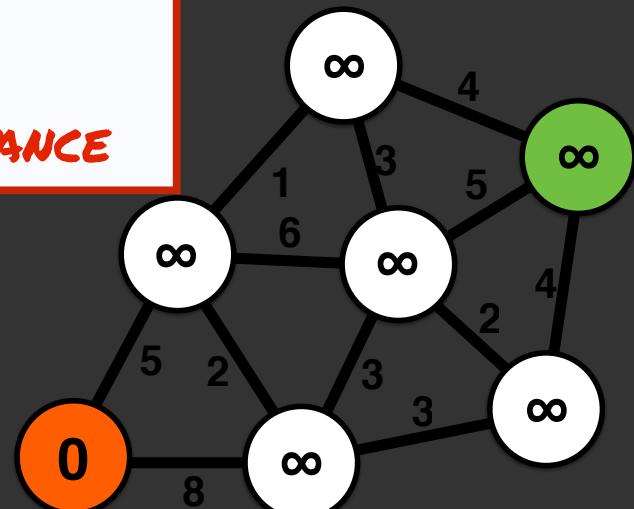
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INITIALIZATION

- EACH NODE HAS A DISTANCE AND A PARENT
 - DISTANCE: DISTANCE ALONG ROUTE FROM START
 - PARENT: ROUTING FROM NODE TO START
- VISIT A CHOSEN START NODE FIRST
- ALL OTHER NODES ARE UNVISITED AND HAVE HIGH DISTANCE

```
    diststart ← infinity  
    distcur_node ← infinity  
    if distcur_node < infinity then  
        distcur_node ← diststart + diststraight(start, cur_node)  
        parentcur_node ← start  
        visit_list.append(cur_node)  
    end if  
    end for loop  
end while loop  
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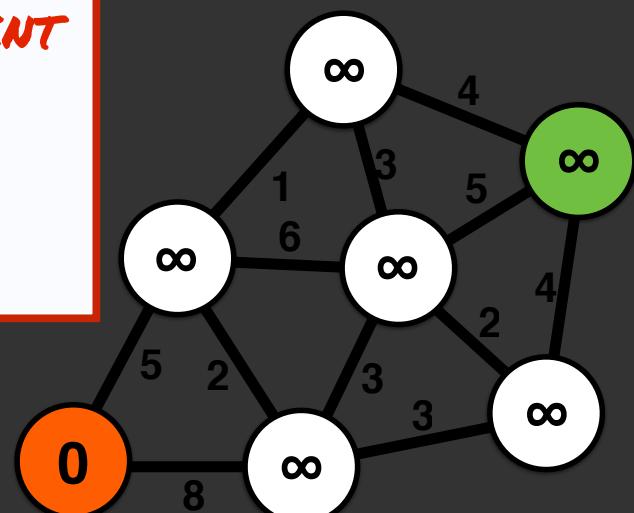
MAIN LOOP

- VISITS EVERY NODE TO COMPUTE ITS DISTANCE AND PARENT
- AT EACH ITERATION:
 - SELECT THE NODE TO VISIT BASED ON ITS PRIORITY
 - REMOVE CURRENT NODE FROM VISIT_LIST

end for loop

end while loop

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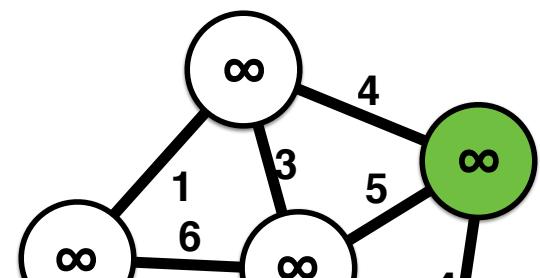
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```
        end if
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FOR EACH ITERATION ON A SINGLE NODE

- ADD ALL UNVISITED NEIGHBORS OF THE NODE TO THE VISIT LIST

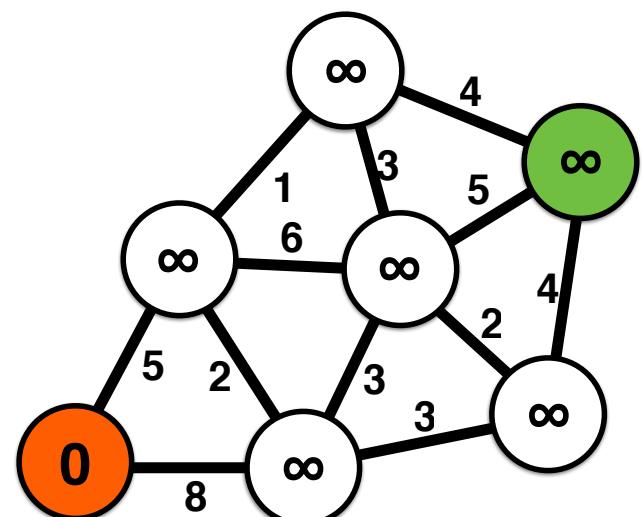
- ADD THE NODE AS A PARENT TO A NEIGHBOR, IF IT CREATES A SHORTER ROUTE

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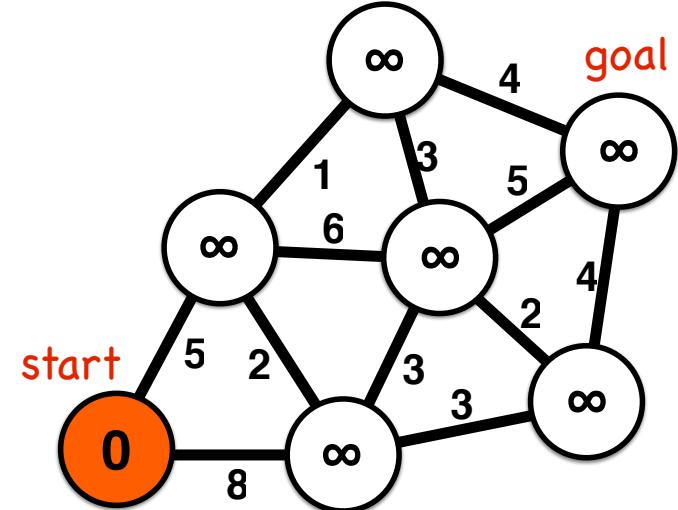
OUTPUT THE RESULTING ROUTES AND DISTANCES



Depth-first search

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```
visit_stack  $\leftarrow \text{start\_node}$ 
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```
while visit_stack != empty && current_node != goal
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```
    cur_node  $\leftarrow \text{pop(visit\_stack)}$  
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```
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```

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```

```
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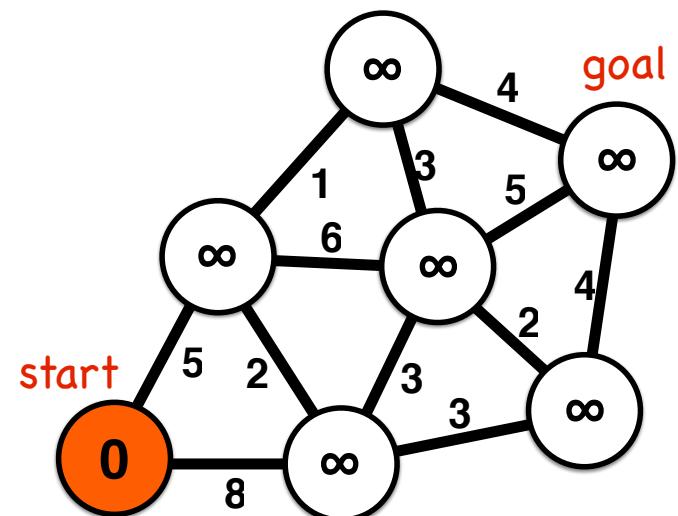
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PRIORITY:
MOST RECENT



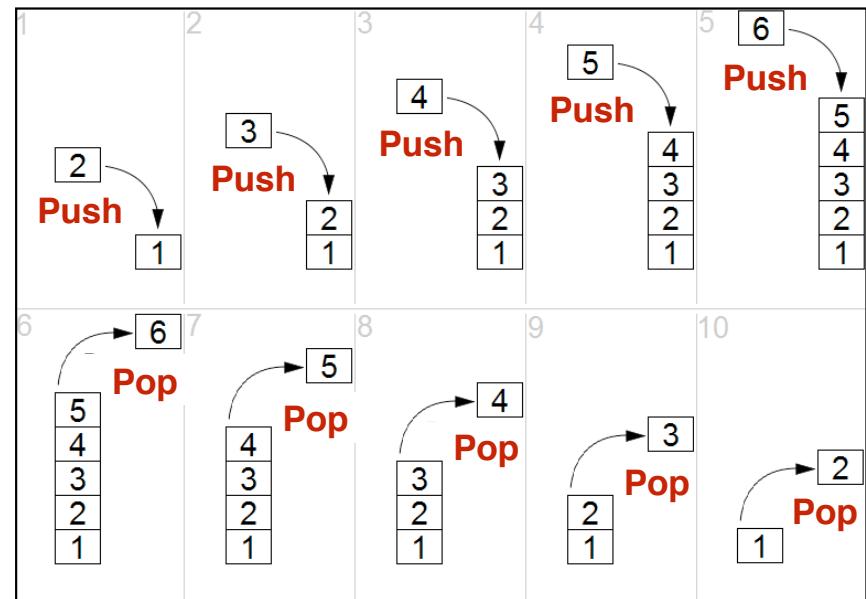
Stack data structure

A stack is a “last in, first out” (or LIFO) structure, with two operations:

push: to add an element to the top of the stack

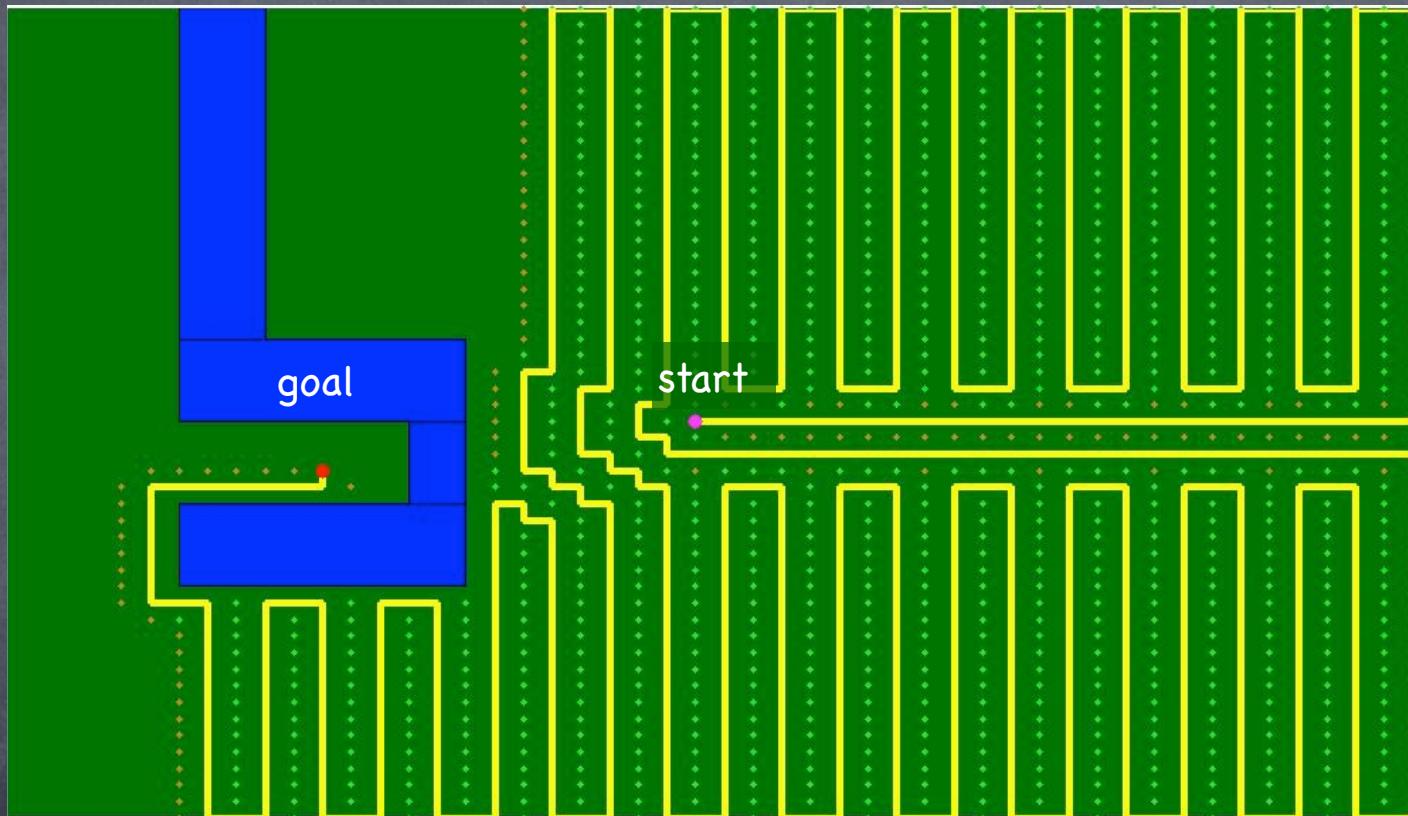
pop: to remove an element from the top of the stack

Stack example for reversing
the order of six elements



matlab example: DFS

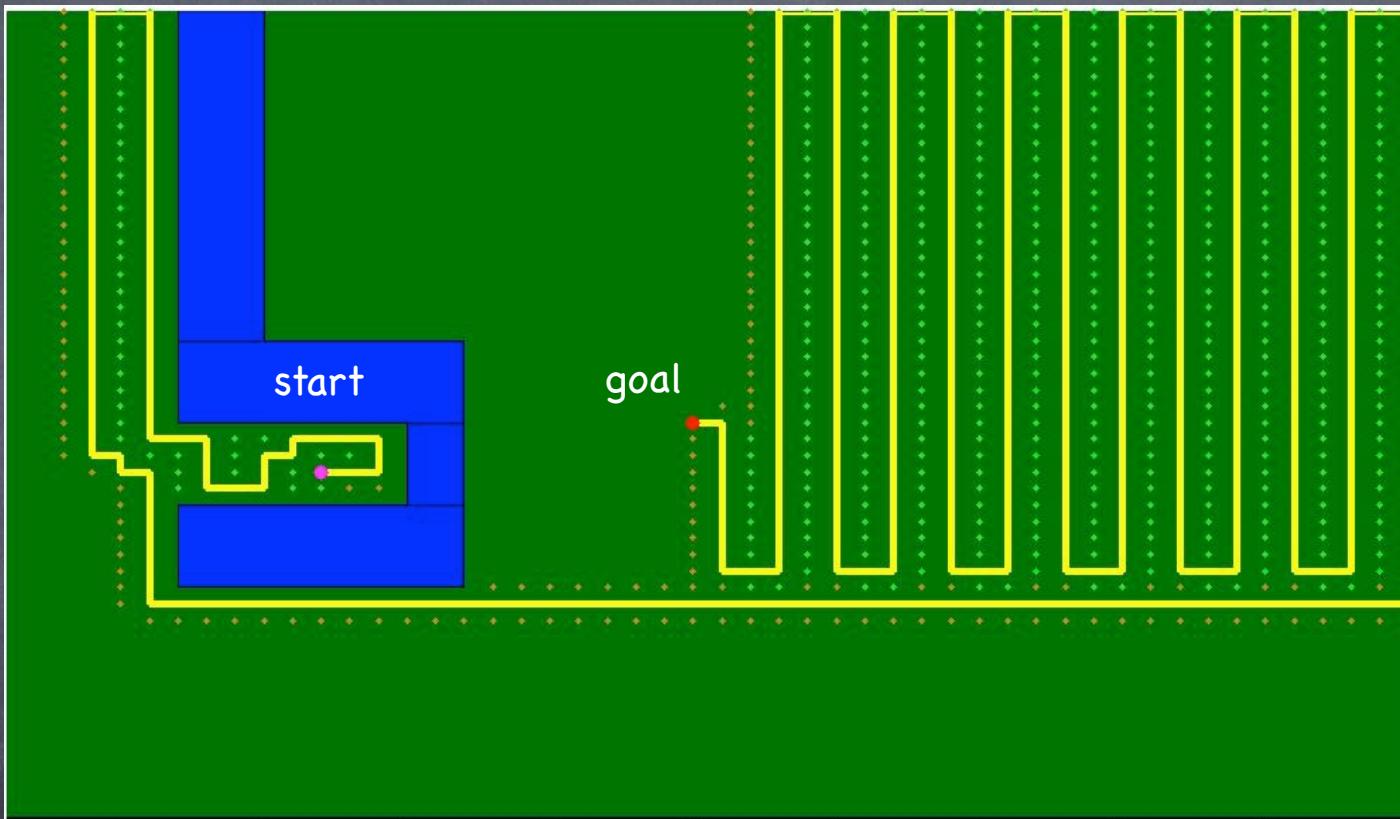
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visited locations in light green
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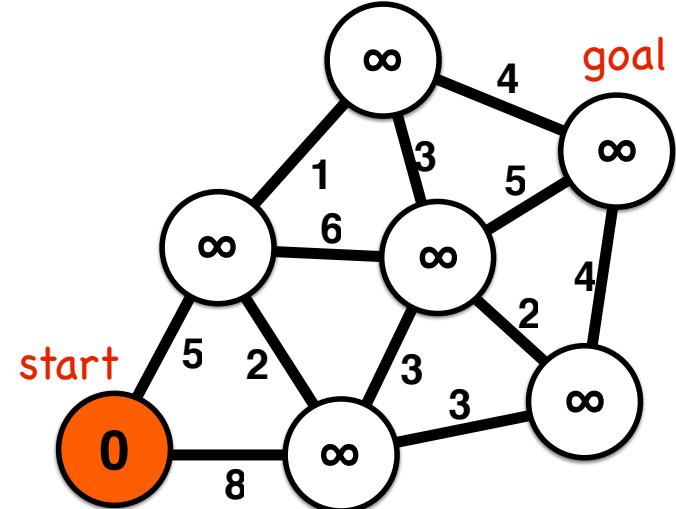


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Breadth-first search

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start_node  $\leftarrow \{dist_{start} \leftarrow 0, parent_{start} \leftarrow \text{none}, visited_{start} \leftarrow \text{true}\}$ 
```

```
visit_queue  $\leftarrow$  start_node
```

```
while visit_queue != empty && current_node != goal
```

```
    cur_node  $\leftarrow$  dequeue(visit_queue) 
```

PRIORITY:

```
    visitedcur_node  $\leftarrow$  true
```

LEAST RECENT

```
    for each nbr in not_visited(adjacent(cur_node))
```

```
        enqueue(nbr to visit_queue)
```

```
        if distnbr > distcur_node + distance(nbr, cur_node)
```

```
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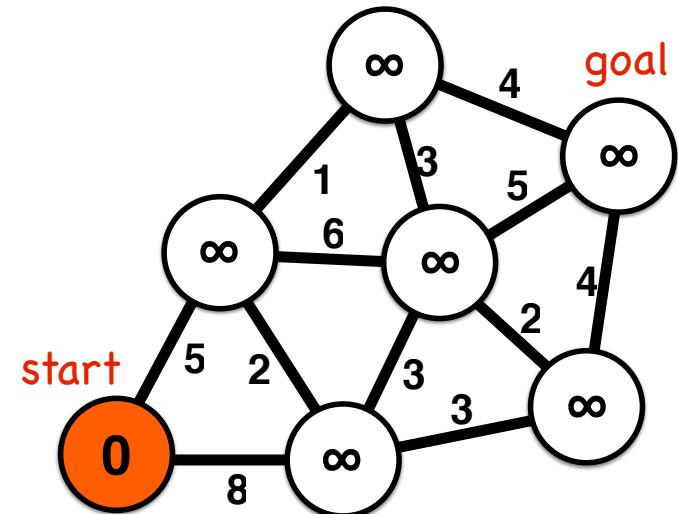
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            distnbr  $\leftarrow$  distcur_node + distance(nbr, cur_node)
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```
        end if
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```
    end for loop
```

```
end while loop
```

```
output  $\leftarrow$  parent, distance
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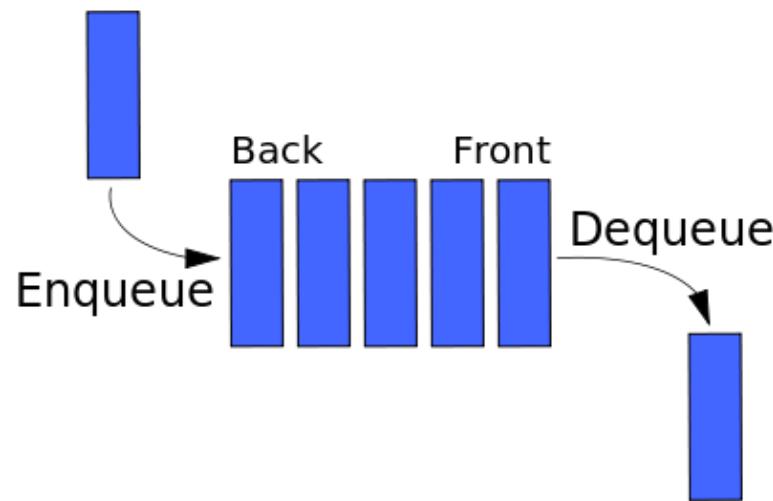


Queue data structure

A queue is a “first in, first out” (or FIFO) structure, with two operations

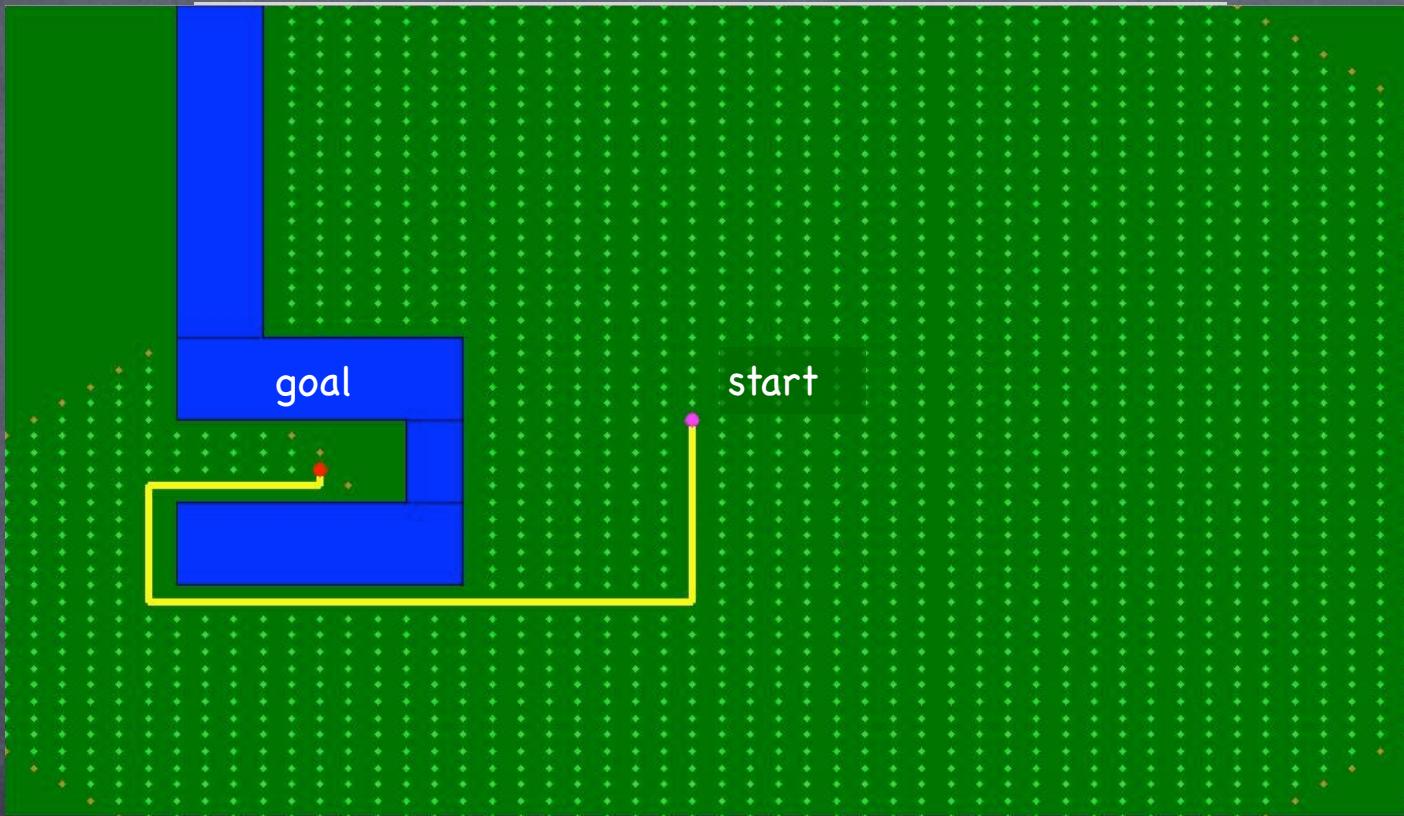
enqueue: to add an element to the back of the stack

dequeue: to remove an element from the front of the stack



matlab example: BFS

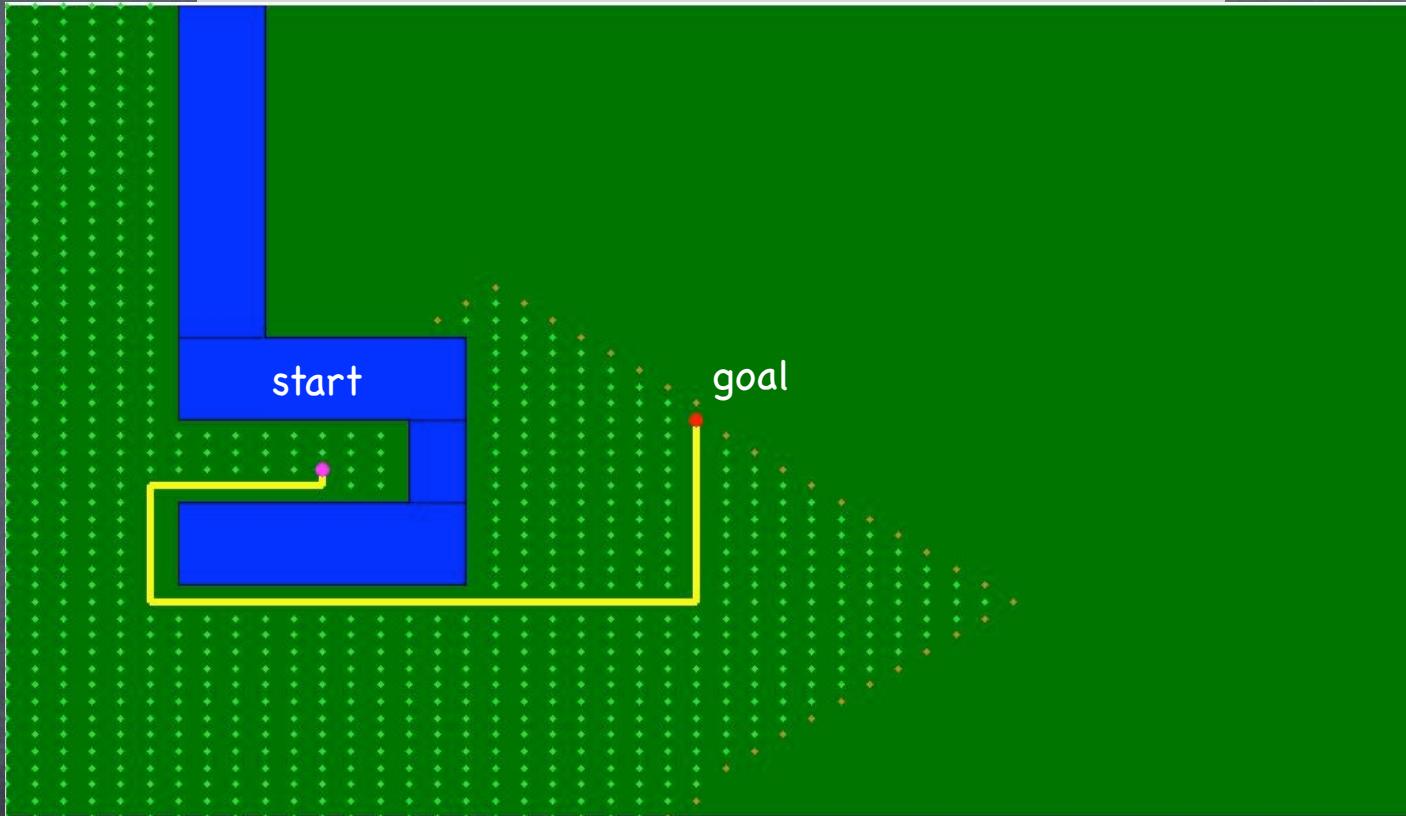
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visited locations in light green
4-connected grid, right visited first

matlab example: BFS

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Dijkstra shortest path

Search algorithm template

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start_node  $\leftarrow \{dist_{start} \leftarrow 0, parent_{start} \leftarrow \text{none}, visited_{start} \leftarrow \text{true}\}$ 
visit_list  $\leftarrow \text{start\_node}$ 
```

```
while visit_list != empty && current_node != goal
```

```
    cur_node  $\leftarrow \text{highestPriority}(\text{visit\_list})$ 
```

```
    visitedcur_node  $\leftarrow \text{true}$ 
```

```
    for each nbr in not_visited(adjacent(cur_node))
```

```
        add(nbr to visit_list)
```

```
        if distnbr > distcur_node + distance(nbr,cur_node)
```

```
            parentnbr  $\leftarrow \text{current\_node}$ 
```

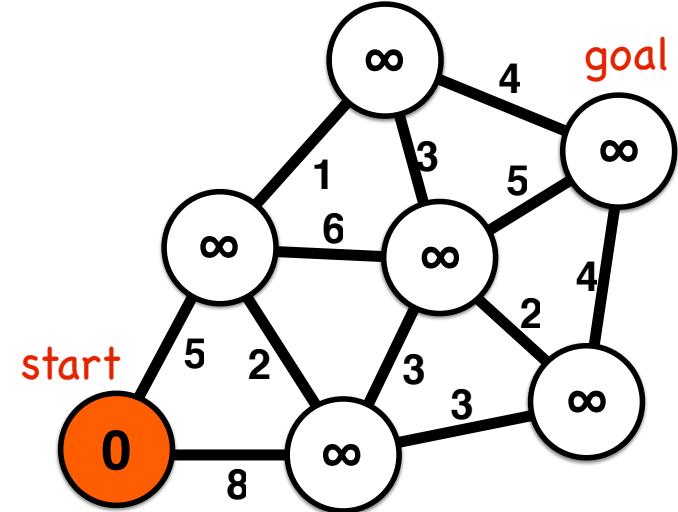
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```

```
        end if
```

```
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    end while loop
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```
output  $\leftarrow \text{parent, distance}$ 
```



Dijkstra shortest path algorithm

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```

```
visit_queue  $\leftarrow$  start_node
```

```
while visit_queue != empty && current_node != goal
```

PRIORITY:

```
    cur_node  $\leftarrow \text{min\_distance(visit\_queue)}$  MINIMUM ROUTE DISTANCE  
FROM START
```

```
    visitedcur_node  $\leftarrow \text{true}$ 
```

```
    for each nbr in not_visited(adjacent(cur_node))
```

```
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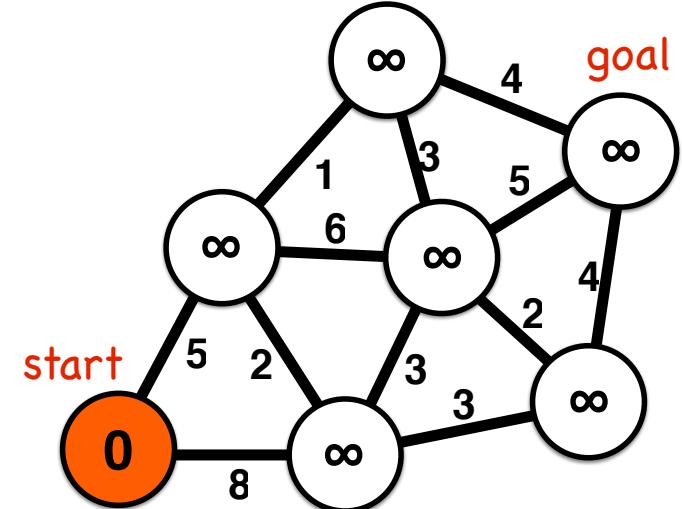
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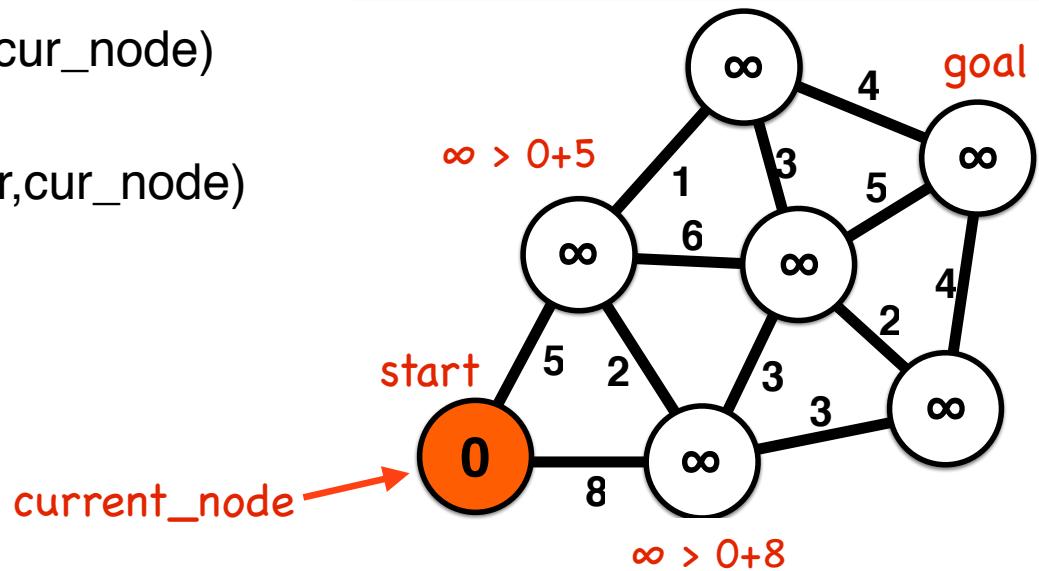


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Dijkstra walkthrough

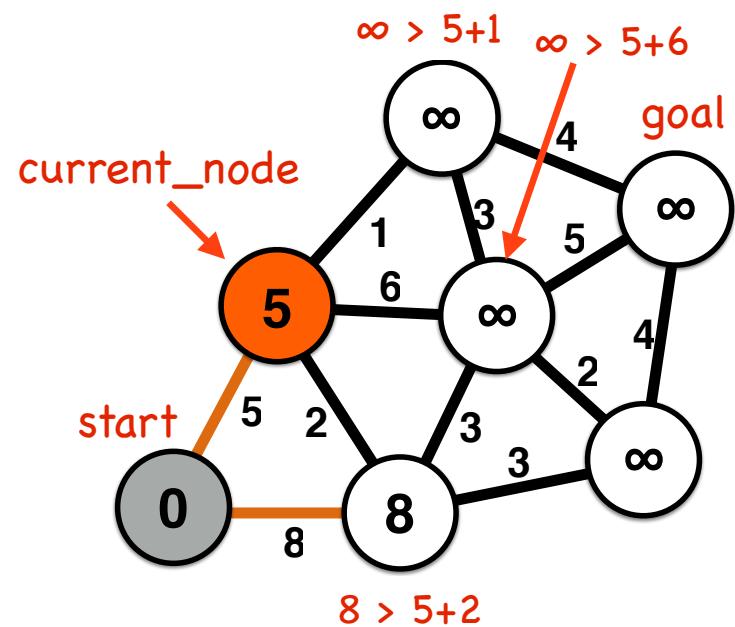


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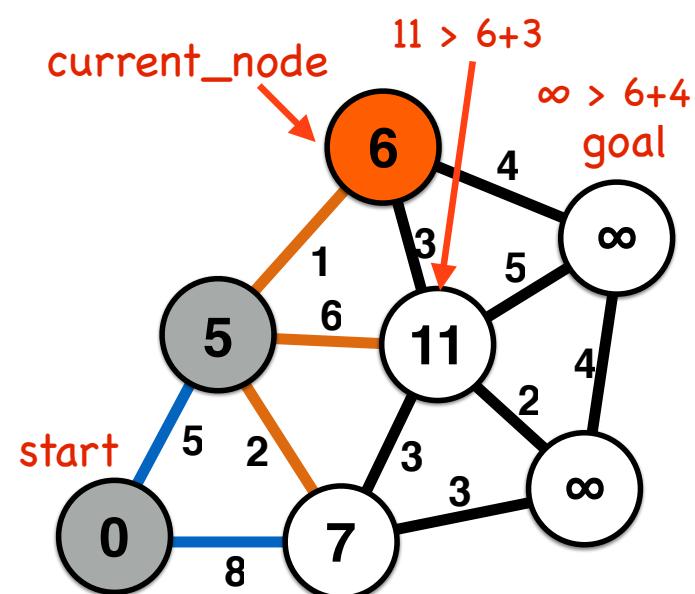


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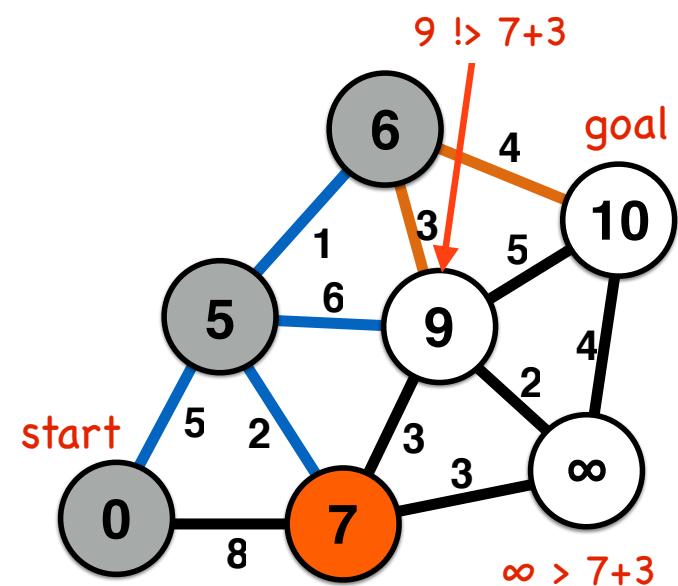
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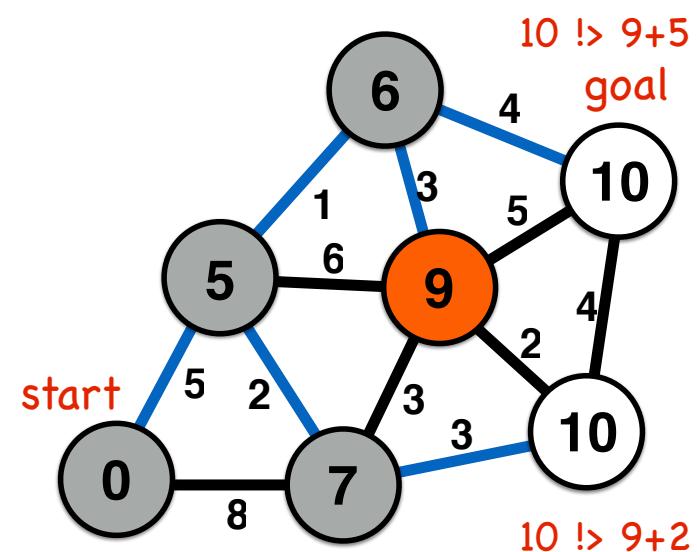
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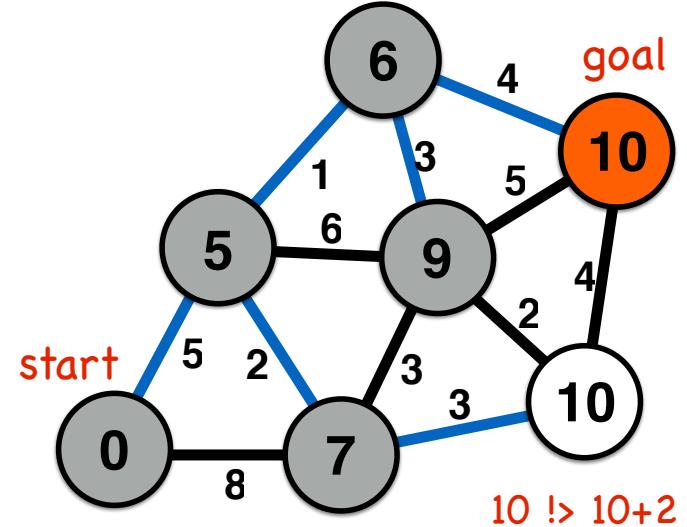
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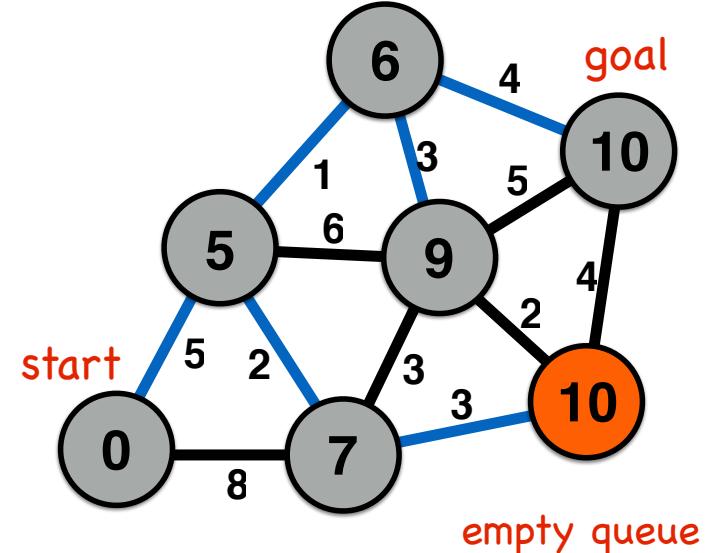
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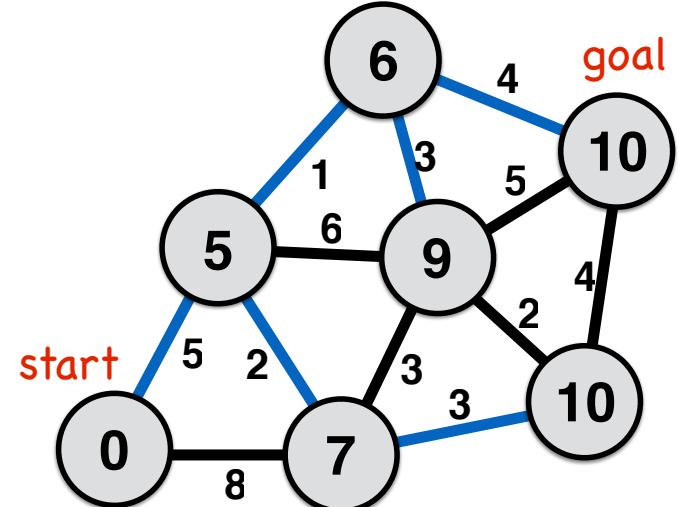
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Dijkstra shortest path algorithm

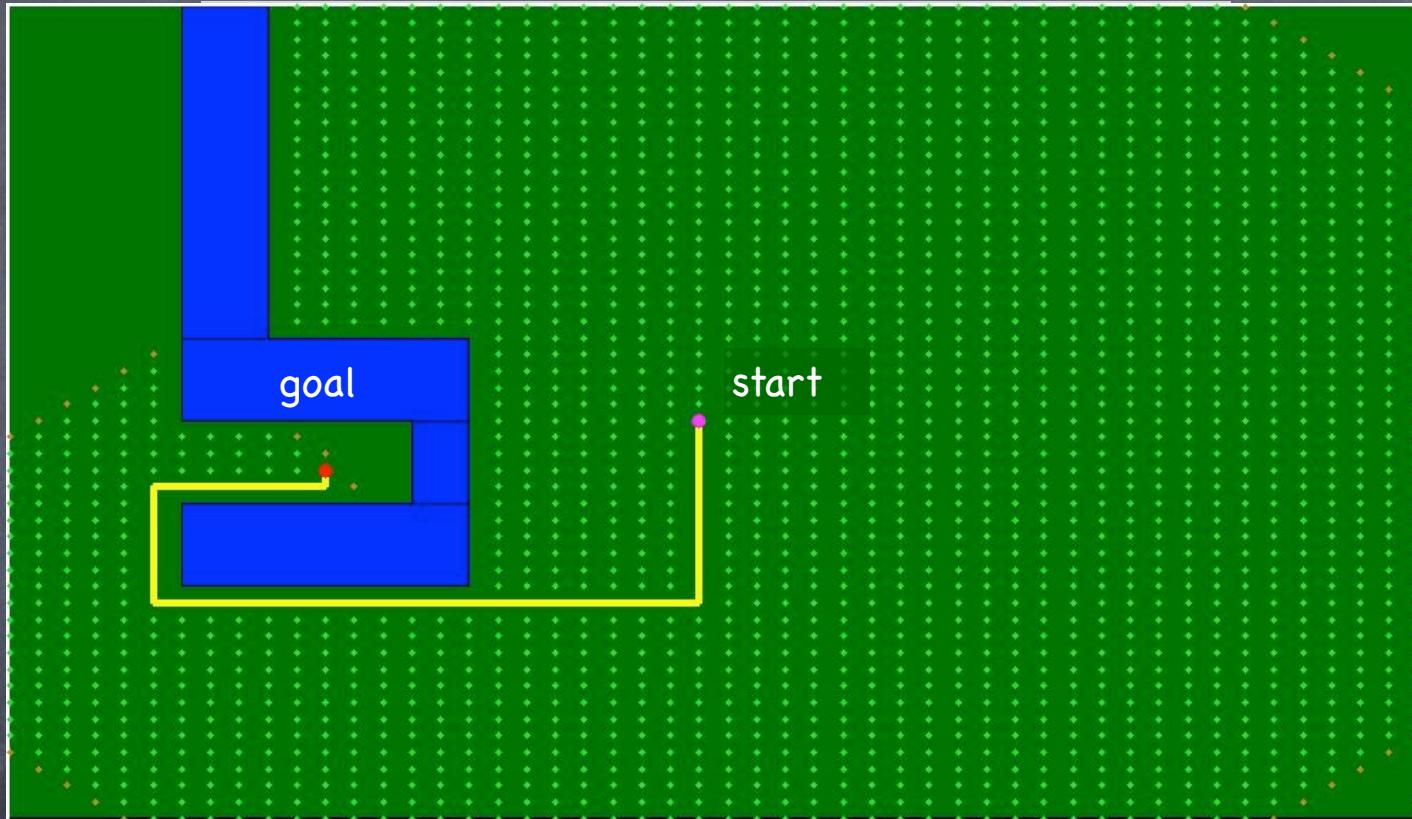
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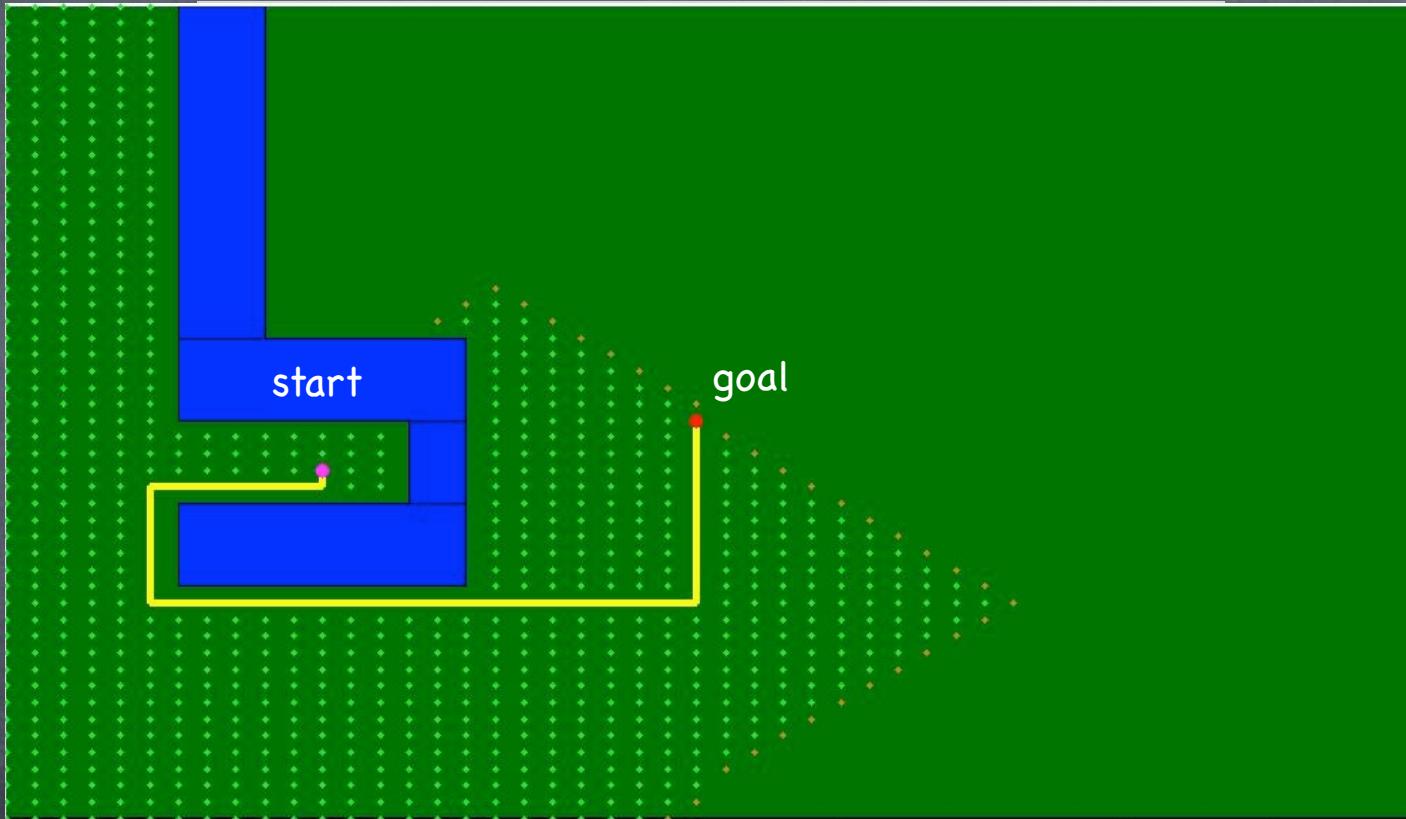
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A-star shortest path

Dijkstra shortest path algorithm

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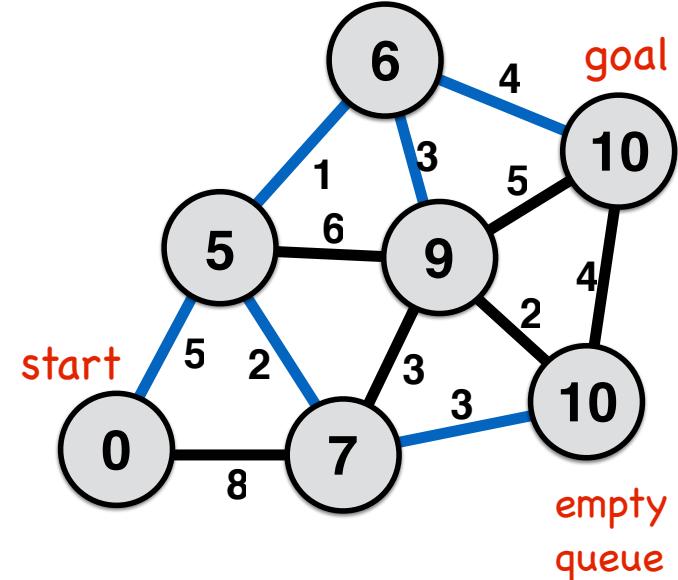
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```

```
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```

```
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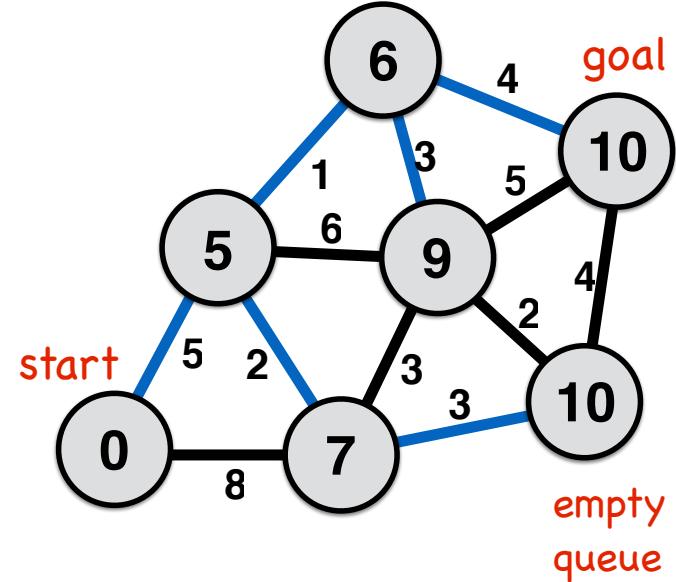
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visit_queue  $\leftarrow \text{start\_node}$ 

while (visit_queue != empty)  $\&\&$  current_node != goal
    cur_node  $\leftarrow \text{dequeue(visit\_queue, f\_score)}$ 
    visitedcur_node  $\leftarrow \text{true}$ 
    for each nbr in not_visited(adjacent(cur_node))
        enqueue(nbr to visit_queue)
        if distnbr > distcur_node + distance(nbr,cur_node)
            parentnbr  $\leftarrow \text{current\_node}$ 
            distnbr  $\leftarrow dist_{cur\_node} + distance(nbr,cur\_node)$ 
            f_score  $\leftarrow distance_{nbr} + line\_distance_{nbr,goal}$ 
        end if
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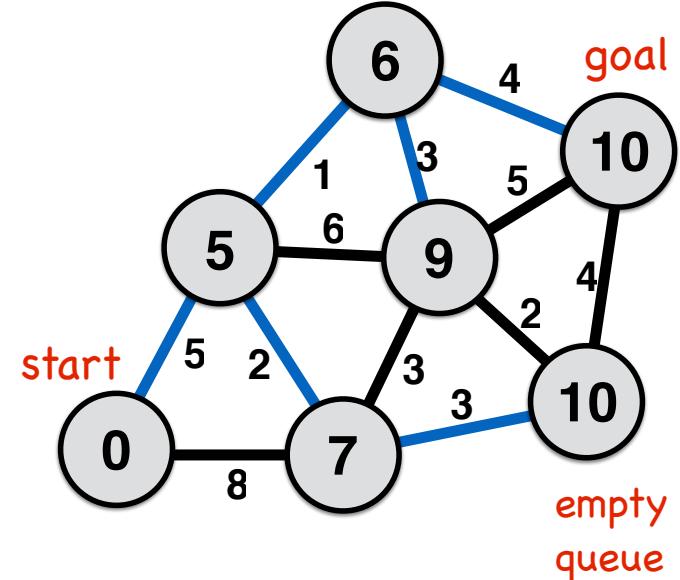
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priority queue wrt. f_score
(implement min binary heap)



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h_score: best possible distance to goal

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```

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```

```
    if  $fScore_{nbr} > dist_{cur\_node} + dist_{cur\_node, nbr}$  then
```

```
        parentnbr  $\leftarrow \text{current\_node}$ 
```

```
        distnbr  $\leftarrow dist_{cur\_node} + \text{distance}(nbr, cur\_node)$ 
```

```
        f_score  $\leftarrow \text{distance}_{nbr} + \text{line\_distance}_{nbr, goal}$ 
```

```
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```

```
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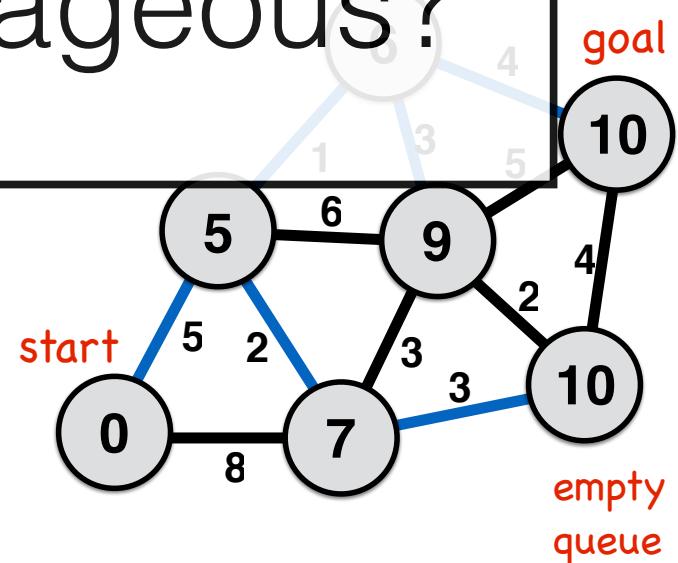
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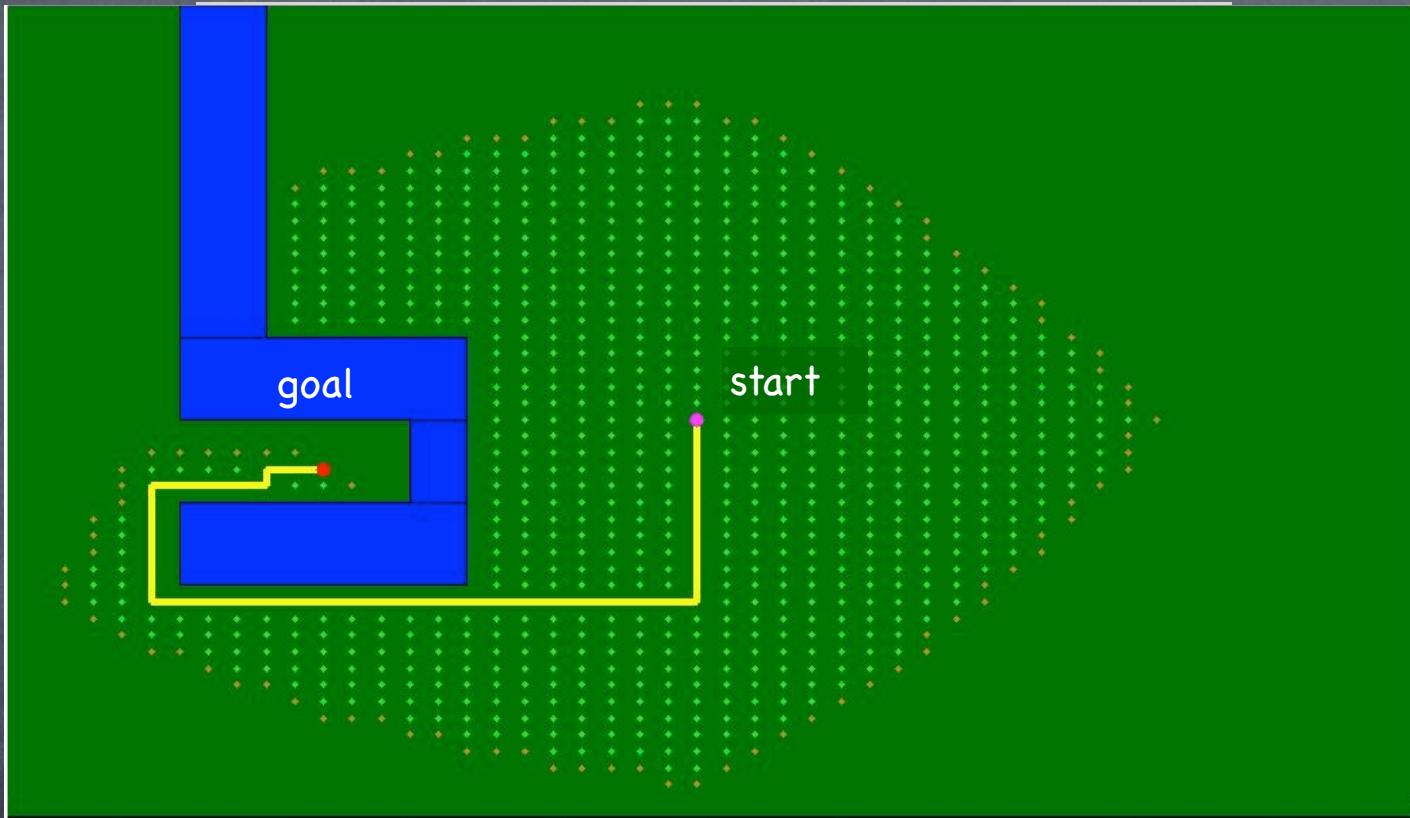
h_score: best possible distance to goal

Why is A-star advantageous?



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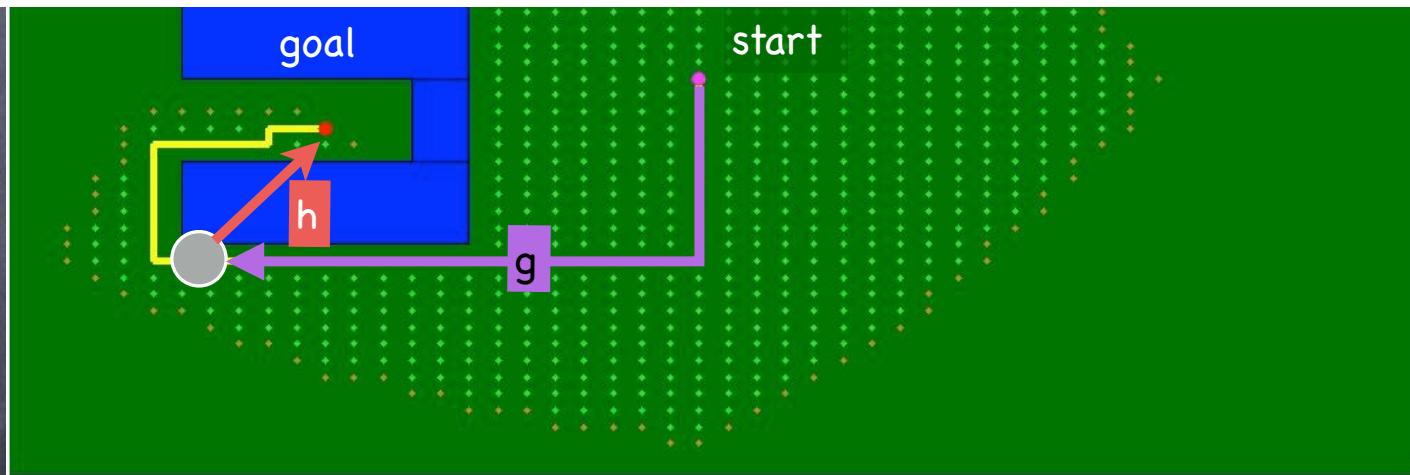
The straight line h_{score} is an admissible and consistent heuristic.

A heuristic function is **admissible** -> never overestimates the cost of reaching the goal.

Thus, $h_{\text{score}}(x) \leq$ the lowest possible cost from current location to the goal.

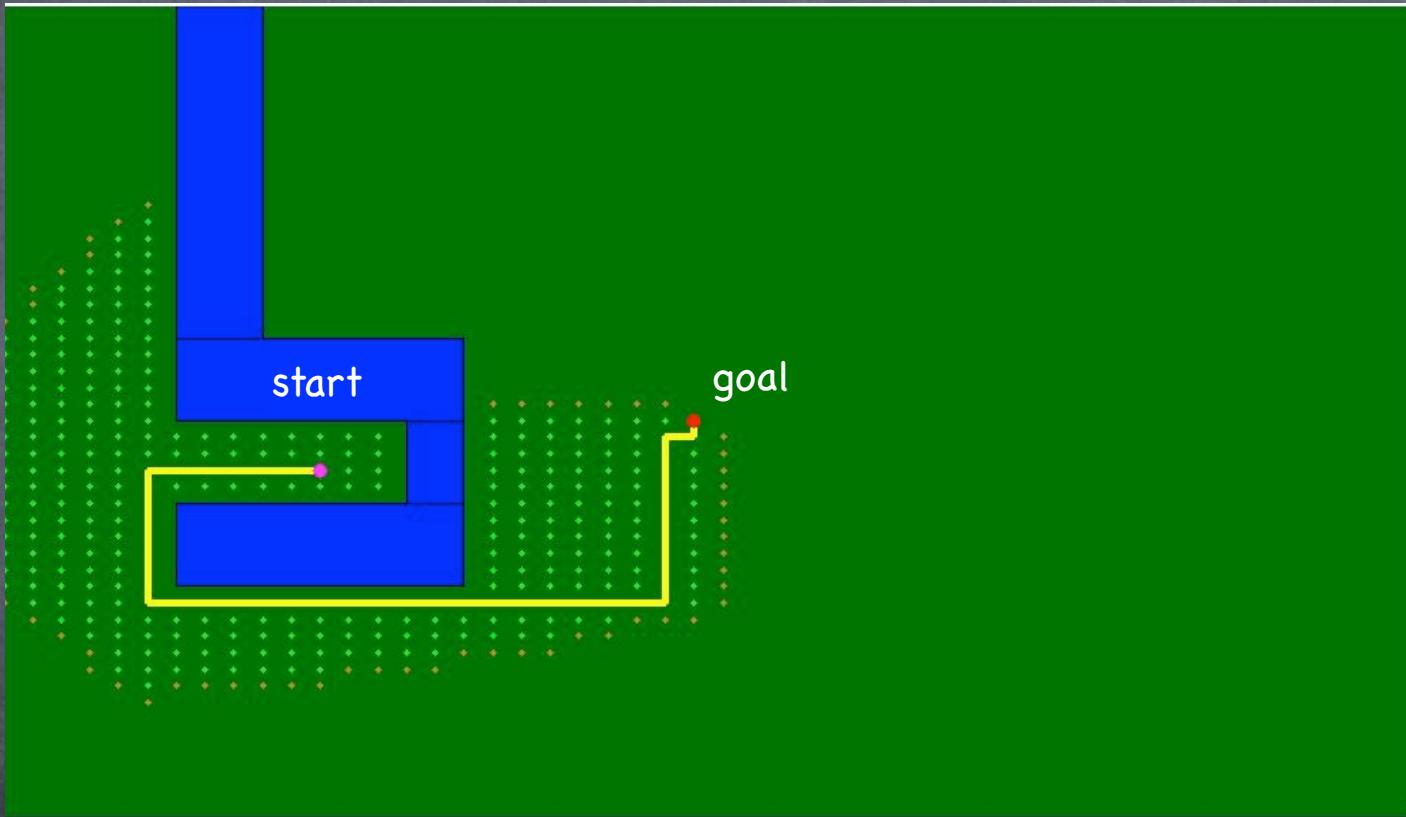
A heuristic function is **consistent** -> obeys the triangle inequality

Thus, the value of the $h_{\text{score}}(x) \leq \text{cost}(x, \text{action}, x') + h_{\text{score}}(x')$

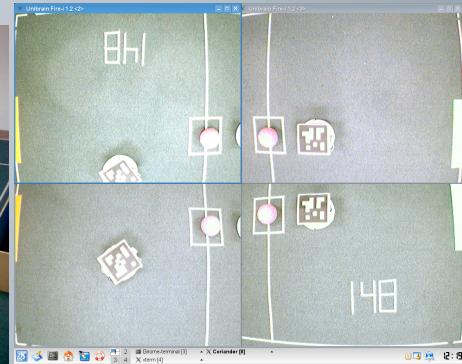
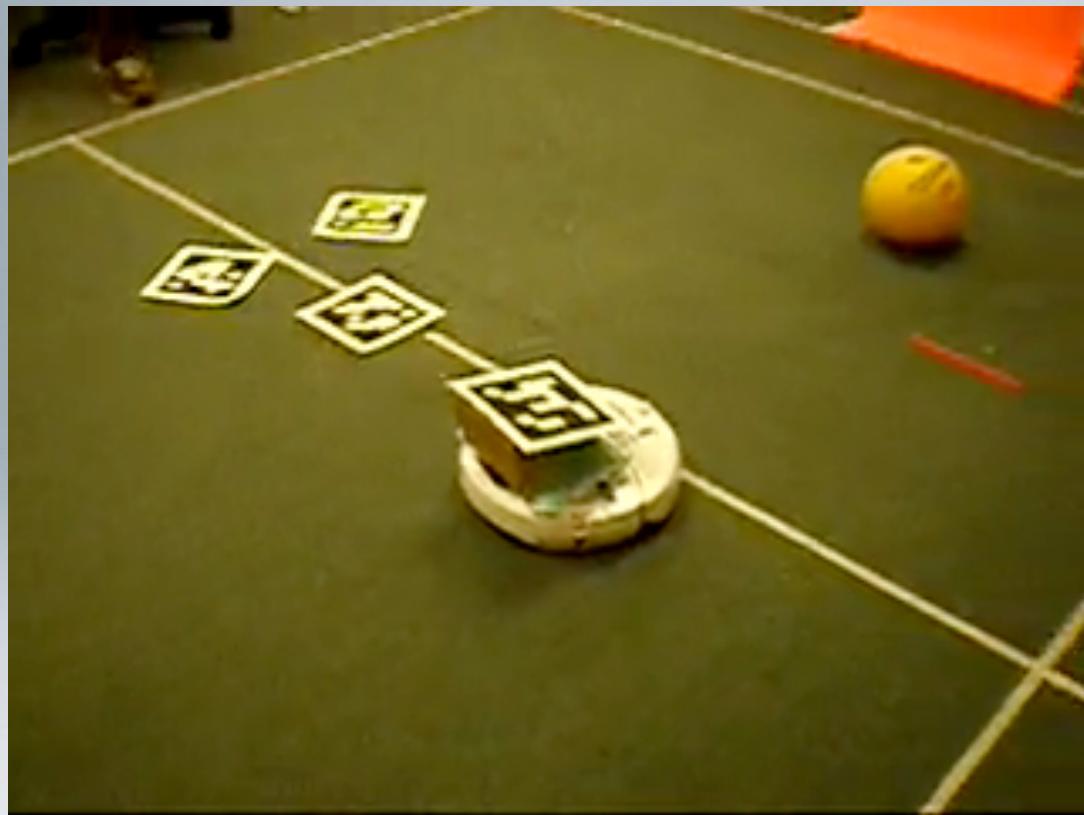


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<http://www.cs.brown.edu/courses/cs148/pub/pathplan.m>

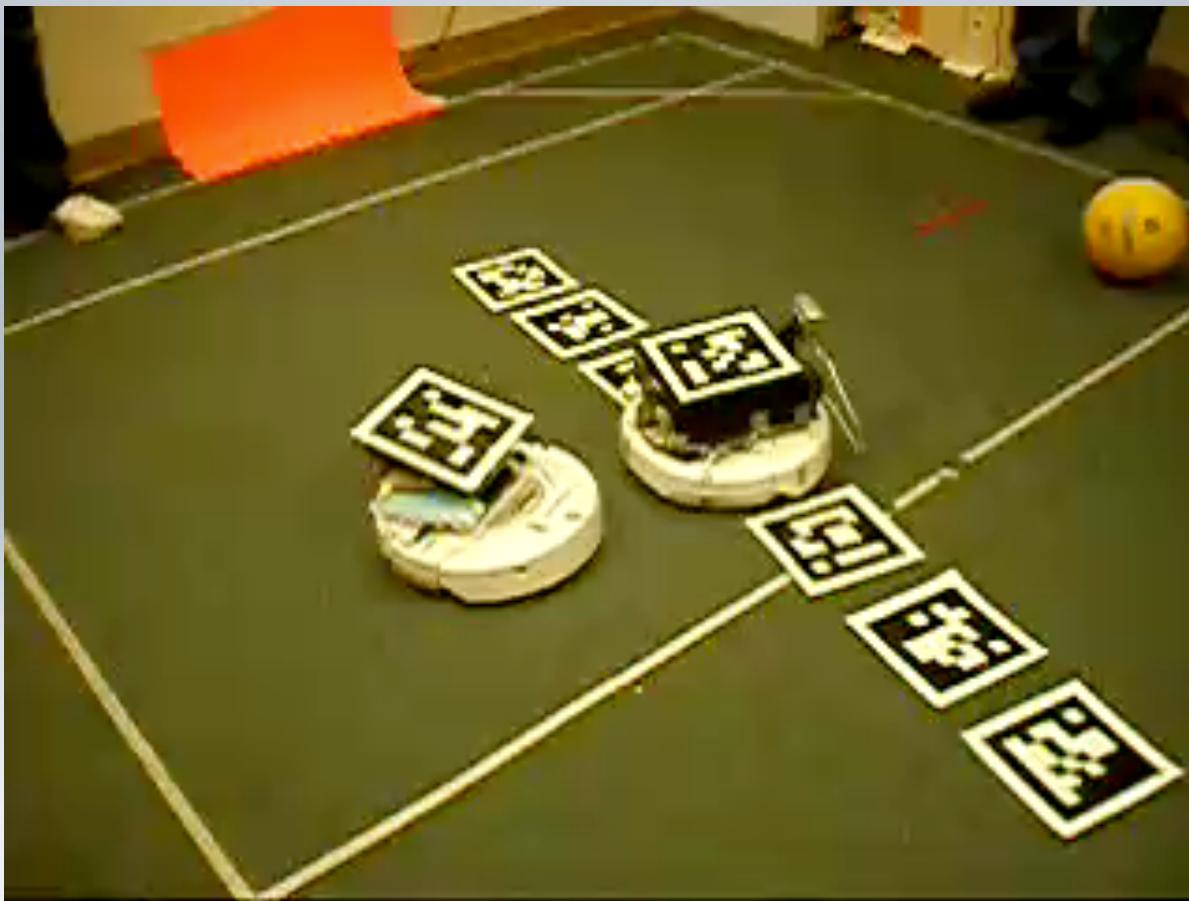


A* PATH PLANNING



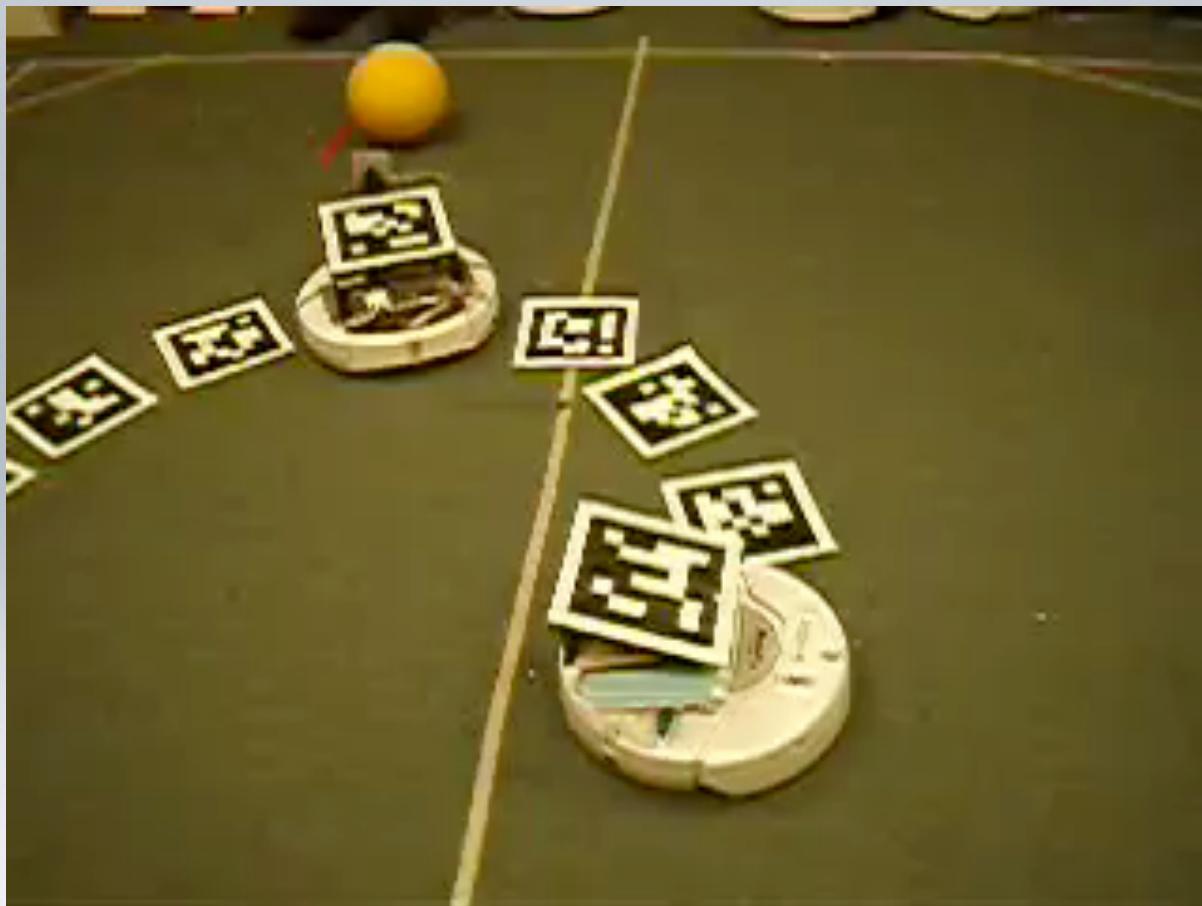
Lisa Miller, <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2Z2RyeofsZg>

NAVIGATING AROUND A WALL



Lisa Miller

AVOIDING DEAD-ENDS



Lisa Miller

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k6Kj4VjTKc8>

Suppose $f_score = g_score$

Greedy best-first search

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            f_score  $\leftarrow distance_{nbr} + line\_distance_{nbr,goal}$ 
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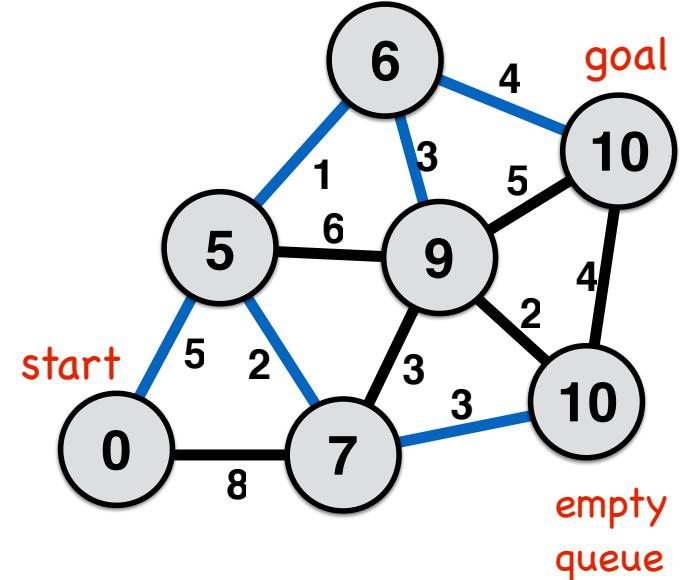
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        end if
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    end for loop
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end while loop
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```
output  $\leftarrow \text{parent, distance}$ 
```

priority queue wrt. f_score
(implement min binary heap)



g_score: distance along current path back to start

h_score: best possible distance to goal

Greedy best-first search

```
all nodes  $\leftarrow \{dist_{start} \leftarrow \text{infinity}, parent_{start} \leftarrow \text{none}, visited_{start} \leftarrow \text{false}\}$ 
```

```
start_node  $\leftarrow \{dist_{start} \leftarrow 0, parent_{start} \leftarrow \text{none}, visited_{start} \leftarrow \text{true}\}$ 
```

```
visit_queue  $\leftarrow \text{start\_node}$ 
```

```
while (visit_queue != empty)  $\&\&$  current_node != goal
```

```
    cur_node  $\leftarrow \text{dequeue(visit\_queue, f\_score)}$ 
```

```
    visitedcur_node  $\leftarrow \text{true}$ 
```

```
    for each nbr in not_visited(adjacent(cur_node))
```

```
        enqueue(nbr to visit_queue)
```

```
        if distnbr > distcur_node + distance(nbr,cur_node)
```

```
            parentnbr  $\leftarrow \text{current\_node}$ 
```

```
            distnbr  $\leftarrow \text{dist}_{cur\_node} + \text{distance}(nbr,cur\_node)$ 
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            f_score  $\leftarrow \text{distance}_{nbr} + \text{line\_distance}_{nbr,goal}$ 
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```
        end if
```

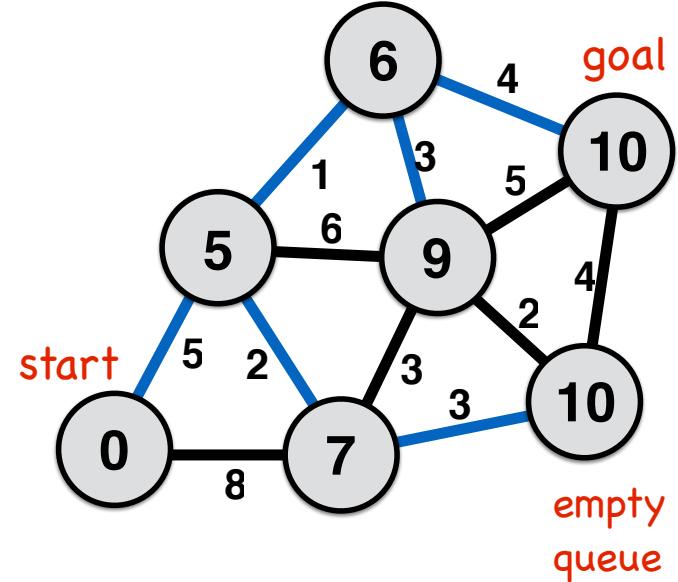
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    end for loop
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    end while loop
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```
output  $\leftarrow \text{parent, distance}$ 
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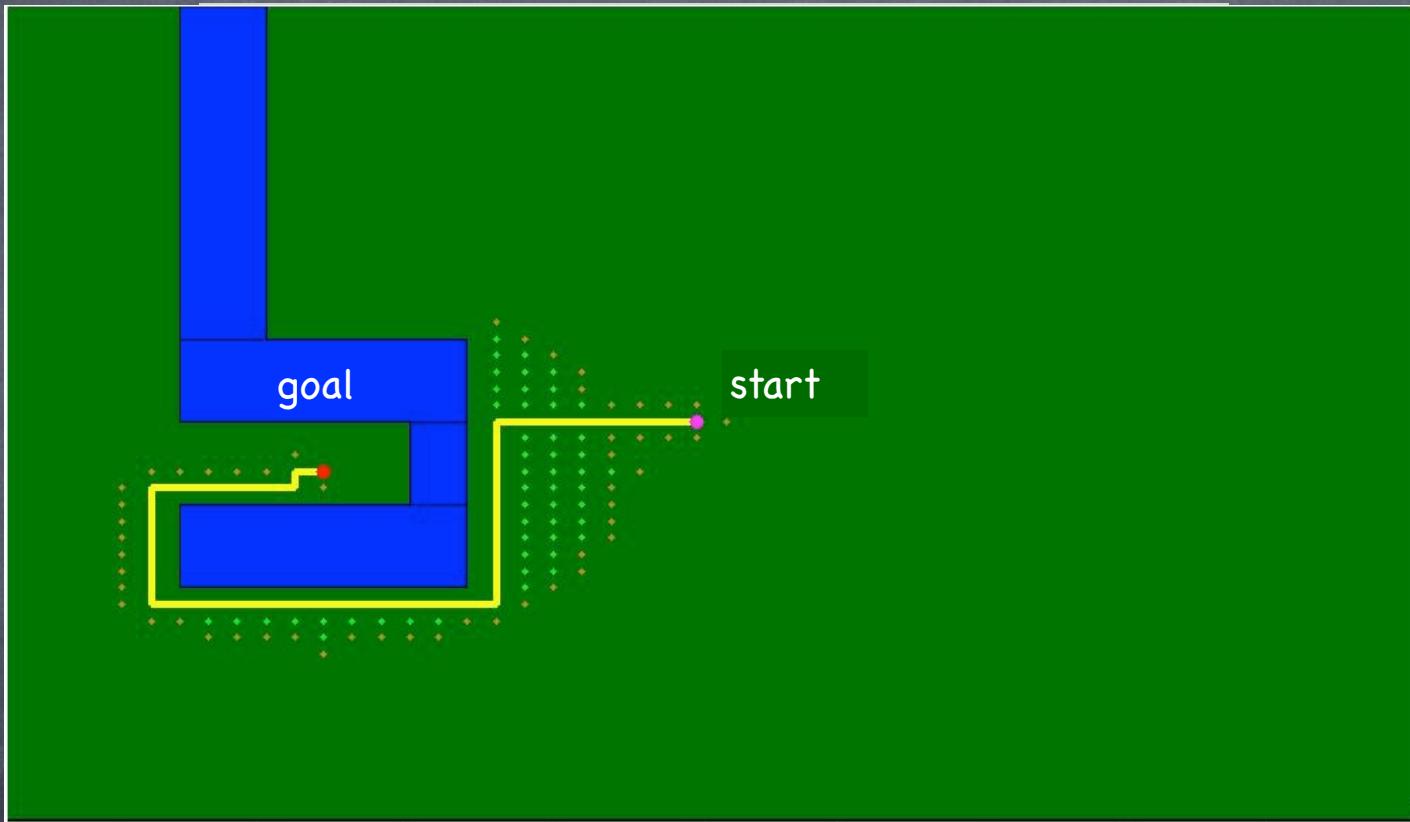
priority queue wrt. f_score
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h_score:
best possible
distance to goal



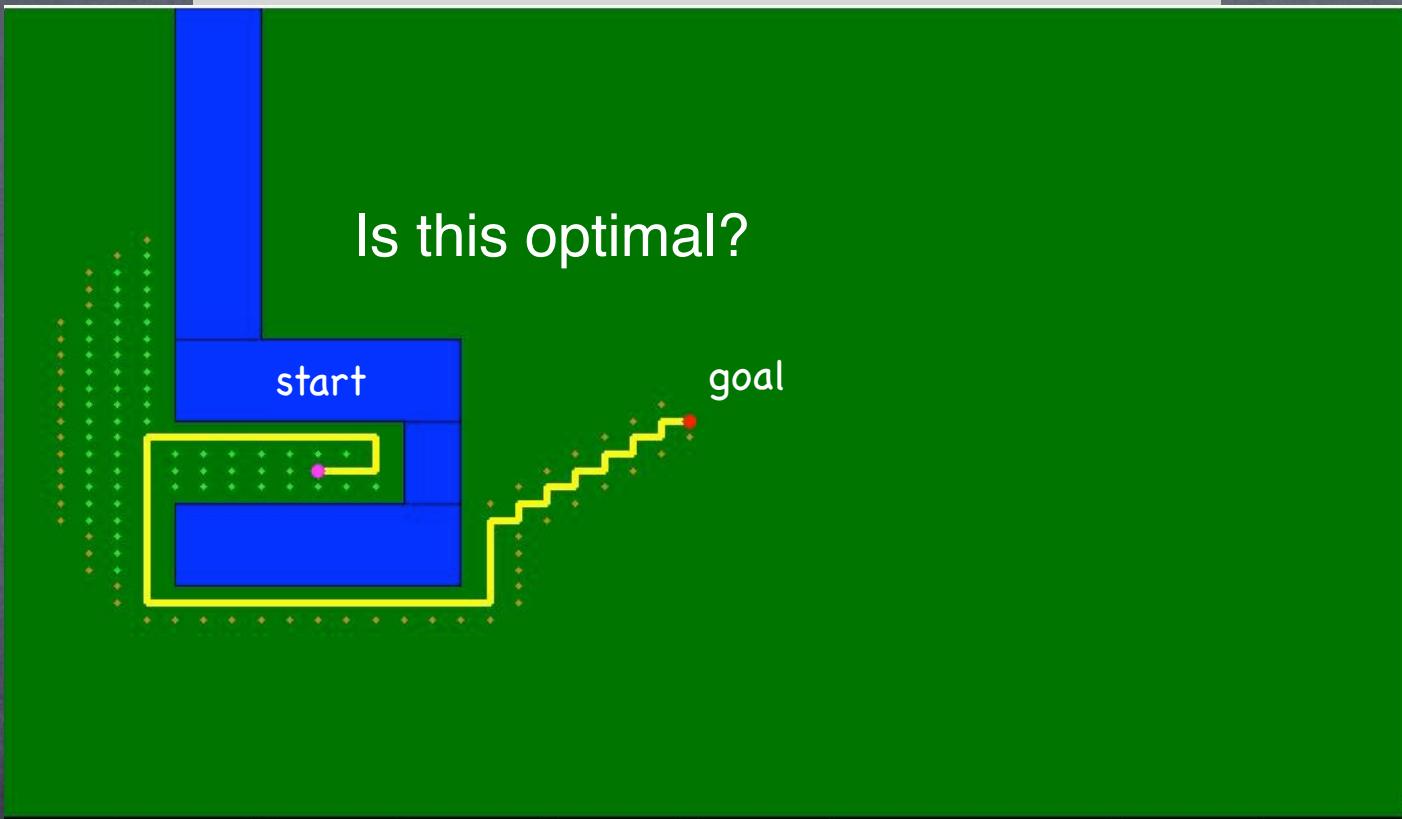
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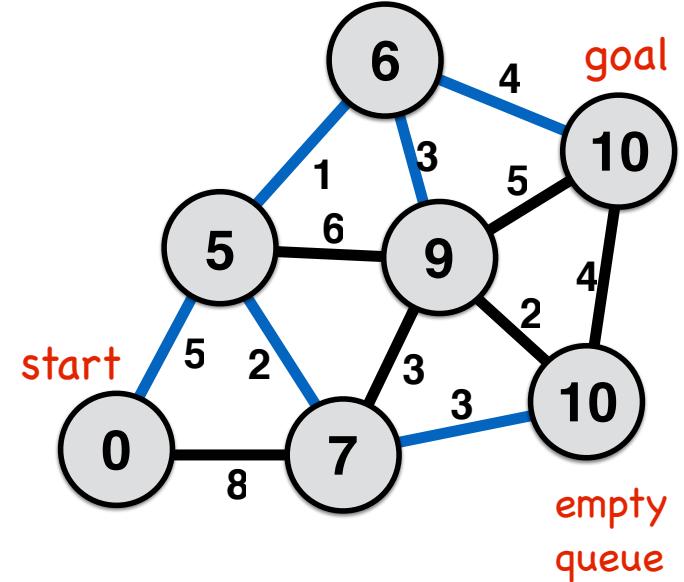


Heaps and Priority Queues

A-star shortest path algorithm

```
all nodes  $\leftarrow \{dist_{start} \leftarrow \text{infinity}, parent_{start} \leftarrow \text{none}, visited_{start} \leftarrow \text{false}\}$ 
start_node  $\leftarrow \{dist_{start} \leftarrow 0, parent_{start} \leftarrow \text{none}, visited_{start} \leftarrow \text{true}\}$ 
visit_queue  $\leftarrow \text{start\_node}$ 

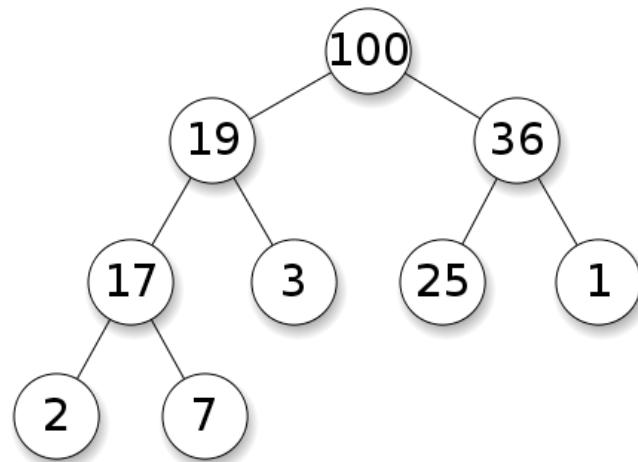
while (visit_queue != empty) && current_node != goal
    dequeue: cur_node  $\leftarrow f\text{-score}(visit\_queue)$  MIN BINARY HEAP FOR PRIORITY QUEUE
    visitedcur_node  $\leftarrow \text{true}$ 
    for each nbr in not_visited(adjacent(cur_node))
        enqueue: nbr to visit_queue
        if distnbr > distcur_node + distance(nbr,cur_node)
            parentnbr  $\leftarrow \text{current\_node}$ 
            distnbr  $\leftarrow dist_{cur\_node} + distance(nbr,cur\_node)$ 
            f_score  $\leftarrow distance_{nbr} + line\_distance_{nbr,goal}$ 
        end if
    end for loop
end while loop
output  $\leftarrow \text{parent, distance}$ 
```



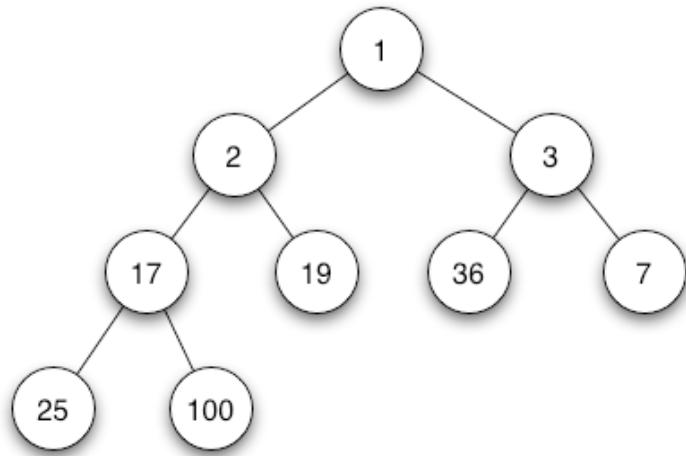
Binary Heaps

A heap is a tree-based data structure satisfying the heap property:
every element is greater (or less) than its children

Binary heaps allow nodes to have up to 2 children

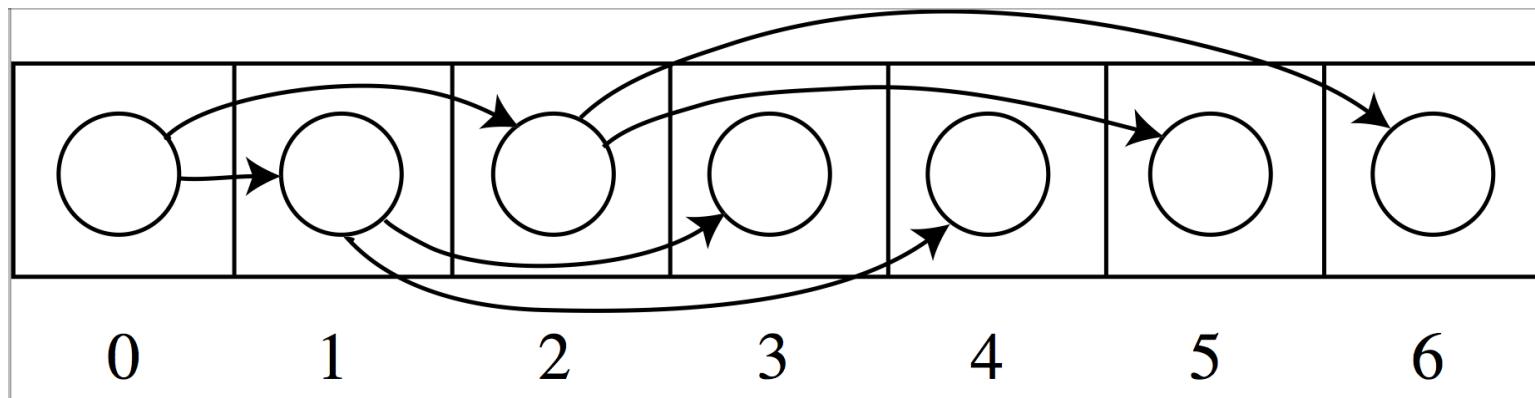


max heap



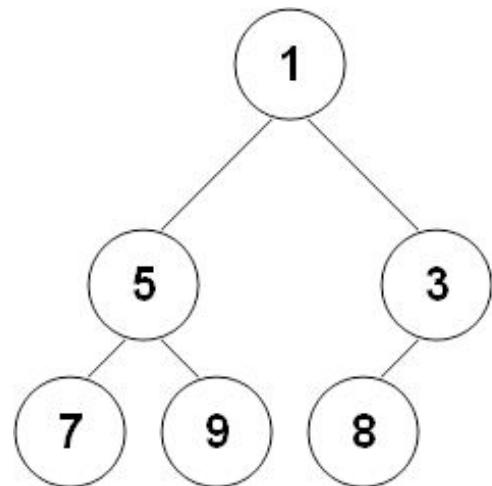
min heap

Heaps as arrays



- Heap element at array location i has
 - children at array locations $2i+1$ and $2i+2$
 - parent at $\text{floor}((i-1)/2)$

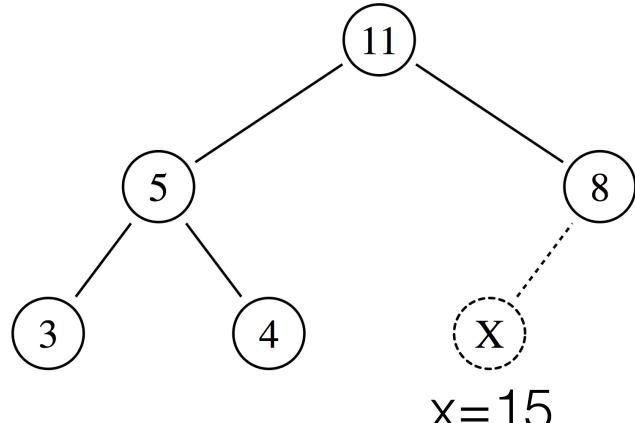
Heap array example



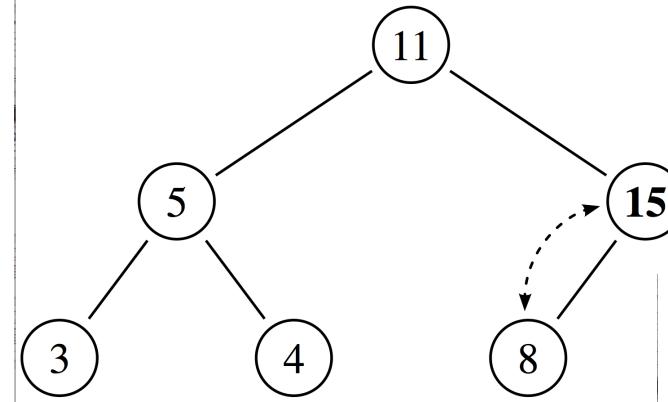
Node	1	5	3	7	9	8
Index	0	1	2	3	4	5

Heap operations: Insert

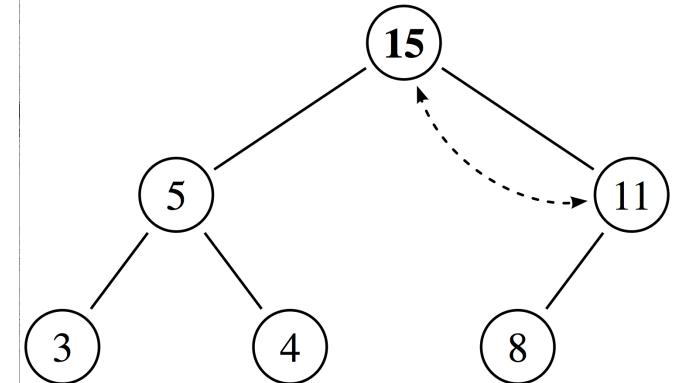
1) add new element to end of tree



2) swap with parent



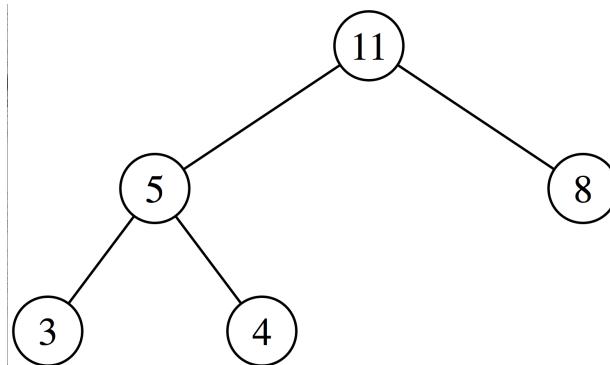
3) until heaped, do (2)



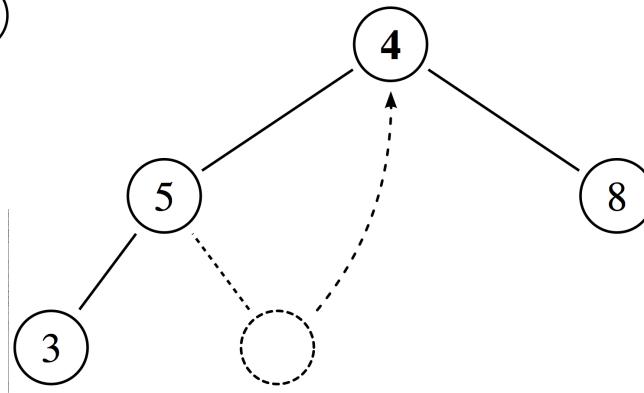
For priority queue, previously non-queued locations will be inserted with f_score priority

Heap operations: Extract

1) extract root element

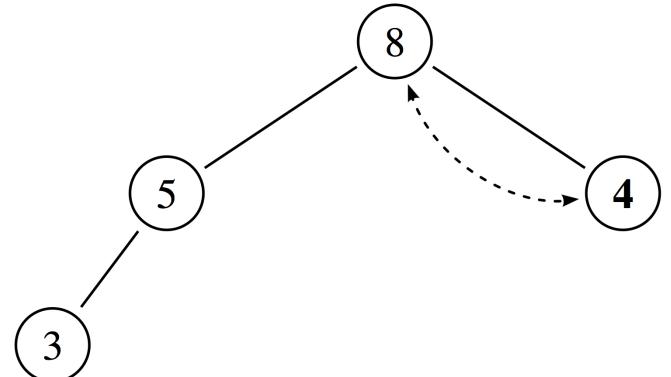


2) put last element at root



3) swap with higher priority child

4) until heaped, do (3)

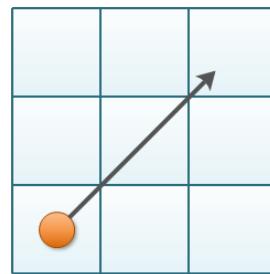


For priority queue, the root of the heap
will be the next node to visit

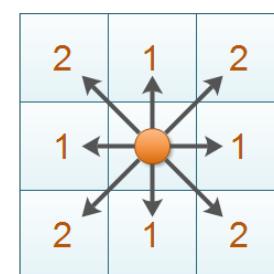
Considerations

- How many operations are needed for heap insertion and extraction?
- How much better is a min heap than an array wrt. # of operations?
- Can there be duplicate heap elements for the same robot pose?
- How should we measure distance on a uniform grid?
- Is a choice of distance measure both metric and admissible?

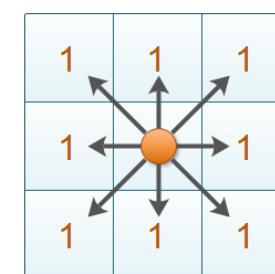
Euclidean Distance



Manhattan Distance



Chebyshev Distance



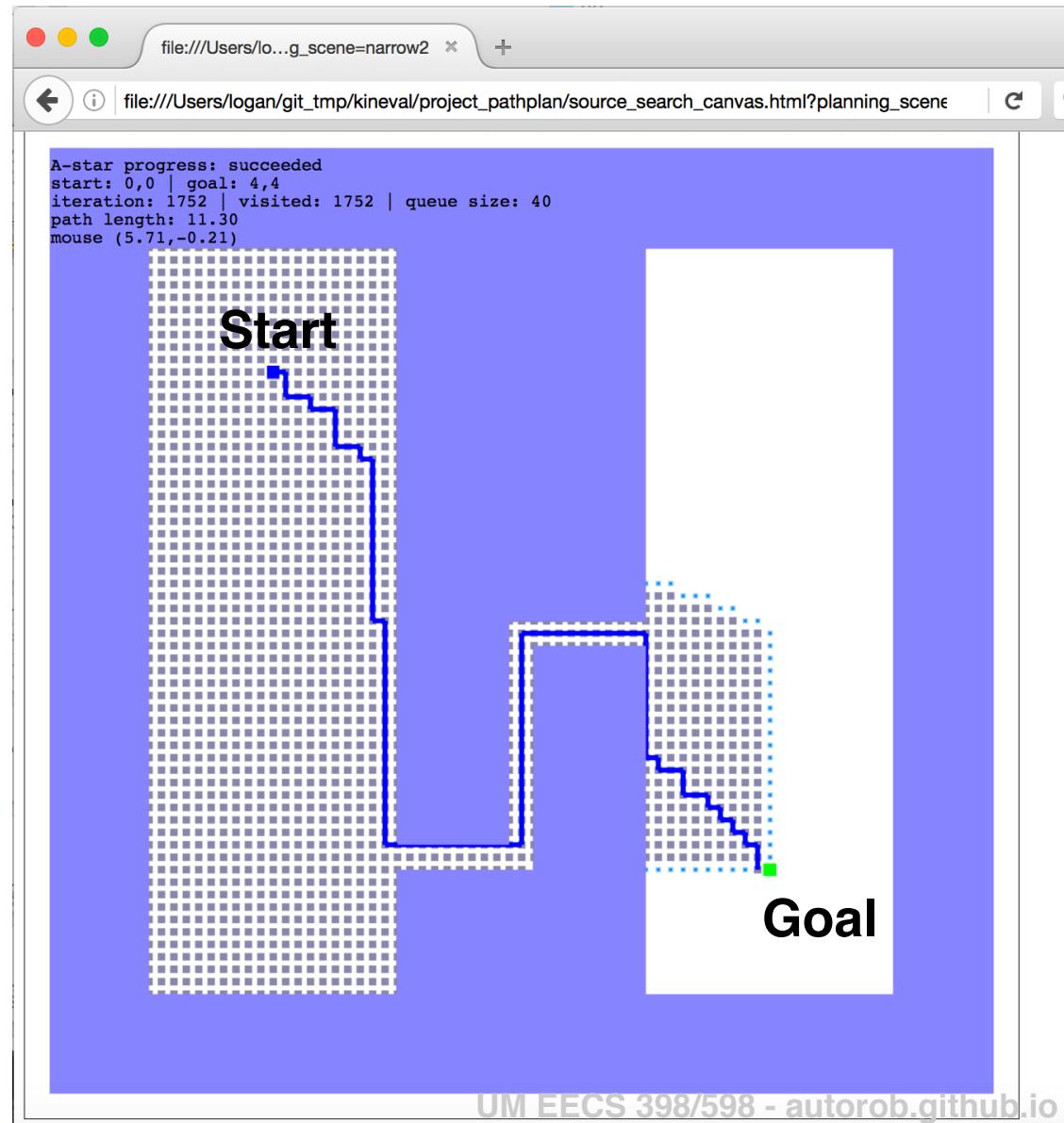
$$\sqrt{(x_1 - x_2)^2 + (y_1 - y_2)^2}$$

$$|x_1 - x_2| + |y_1 - y_2|$$

$$\max(|x_1 - x_2|, |y_1 - y_2|)$$

Project 1: 2D Path Planning

- A-star algorithm for search in a given 2D world
- Heap data structure for priority queue
- Implement in JavaScript/HTML5 (next lecture)
- Grad: DFS, BFS, Greedy
- Submit through your git repository



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