

Homework 2: Route Finding

Report Template

Please keep the title of each section and delete examples. Note that please keep the questions listed in Part III.

Part I. Implementation (6%):

Please screenshot your code snippets of **Part 1 ~ Part 4**, and explain your implementation. Explanation inside the code.

Part 1. BFS

```
1  import csv
2  edgeFile = 'edges.csv'
3
4  # to access the value from the file edges.csv
5  def graphfunc(eFile):          # can be used in other file
6      graph={}                  # dictionary to store a start node and its adjacent or end nodes
7      distn={}                  # dictionary to store distance between two nodes
8      slimit={}                 # dictionary to store the speed limit between two nodes
9      with open(eFile, 'r') as file: # open and read the edges.csv file
10         filereader = csv.reader(file) # read the program using the csv library (csv.reader)
11         rows = list(filereader)      # put result of the reader to list row
12         for i in range(1,len(rows)):
13             startnode = int(rows[i][0]) # to access the startnode of each row
14             endnode = int(rows[i][1])
15             distance = float(rows[i][2])
16             speedlimit = float(rows[i][3])
17
18             # if the startnode is not inside the graph, initialize the list and append the endnode
19             # if the startnode is already inside the graph, just append the endnode to its list
20             if startnode not in graph.keys():
21                 graph[startnode] = []
22                 graph[startnode].append(endnode)
23             else:
24                 graph[startnode].append(endnode)
25
26             # the same goes for distn and slimit
27             if startnode not in distn.keys():
28                 distn[(startnode, endnode)] = distance #key as tuple (a,b)
29             if startnode not in slimit.keys():
30                 slimit[(startnode, endnode)] = speedlimit #key as tuple (a,b)
31
32         return graph, distn, slimit
33
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34 def bfs(start, end):
35     # Begin your code (Part 1)
36     # I started by finding the number of visited nodes to the path then lastly is the distance (visited -> path -> dist)
37     graph, distn, slimit = graphfunc(edgeFile)
38
39     visited = [] # list to keep track of node that has been visited
40     queue = [] # we use queue for breadth-first search
41     prev_node = {} # to find the parent node (helps with finding the path)
42
43     visited.append(start) # start by appending start node to both visited and queue
44     queue.append(start)
45
46     # traversing process: (exploring layer by layer)
47     while queue: # while queue is not empty
48         x = queue.pop(0) # queue.pop(0) is removing the first value in the queue
49         if x not in graph.keys(): continue # means that it does not have any neighbour alr, so we skip it or continue
50         for neighbour in graph[x]: # for all the adjacent nodes of x (which is neighbour here)
51             if neighbour not in visited: # if neighbour has not been visited yet
52                 prev_node[neighbour] = x # keep track of the parents of the node
53                 if end in visited: # if end is visited
54                     while queue: # pop until the whole queue is empty
55                         queue.pop()
56                         # biar krg satu
57                         visited.pop(-1) # pop the current last node of visited
58                         break # break out of the for loop
59                 visited.append(neighbour) # append the neighbour to both visited and queue again
60                 queue.append(neighbour) # so we get to run through the whole graph by bfs
61
62     # to find the path taken, we use backtrack (from end node to start node)
63     path = [] # initialize path as list
64     node = end # let node be the end node
65     while node != start: # so while the node is not start node yet, it will
66         path.append(node) # append the node to path list
67         node = prev_node[node] # and backtrack to previous nodes
68     path.append(start) # after start node is found, we append start node to the list
69     path.reverse() # we reverse the whole path back, which it will return to normal (start to end)
70     # path = [node for node in reversed(path)] # same as previous line (in more complicated way)
71
72     # to find the total distance of the path taken
73     totaldist = 0
74     # zip returns zip object(an iterator of tuples)
75     # path[:1] means all the sequence except the last
76     # and path[1:] instead is all sequence except the first
77     for i, j in zip(path[:1], path[1:]): # so the path pairs by taking (first, second) until (n-1, n) for (i, j) as distance between i
78         # and j
79         if (i, j) in distn.keys():
80             totaldist += distn[(i,j)] # add all the distances between (firstnode, secondnode) until the end node
81
82     return path, totaldist, len(visited)
83     # raise NotImplementedError("To be implemented")
84     # End your code (Part 1)
85
86 if __name__ == '__main__':
87     path, dist, num_visited = bfs(2270143902, 1079387396) #the location
88     print(f'The number of path nodes: {len(path)}')
89     print(f'Total distance of path: {dist}')
90     print(f'The number of visited nodes: {num_visited}')

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Part 2. DFS (Stack)

```
1 import csv
2 edgefile = 'edges.csv'
3 from bfs import *                                # graphfunc() from 'bfs.py' is used in line 7
4
5 def dfs(start, end):
6     # Begin your code (Part 2)
7     graph, distn, slimit = graphfunc(edgefile)
8     visited = []                                # list to keep track of node that has been visited
9     stack = []                                  # we use stack for depth-first search
10    prev_node = {}                               # to find the parent node (helps with finding the path)
11
12    stack.append(start)                           # start by appending start node to both visited and stack
13    visited.append(start)
14
15    # traversing process (iterative): (exploring layer by layer)
16    while stack:                                  # while stack is not empty
17        # pop vertex from start to visit next
18        # vertex = stack[-1]
19        vertex = stack.pop()                      # stack pop from last node which is first in last out
20        if vertex not in visited: visited.append(vertex) # we append the vertex to visited here instead
21        if vertex not in graph.keys(): continue    # if the vertex is not the start node, skip it or continue
22        # # bisa buat hasil recursive:
23        # for neighbour in reversed(graph[vertex]):
24        #     # hasil stack:
25        for neighbour in graph[vertex]:           # for all the adjacent nodes of vertex (which is neighbour here)
26            if neighbour not in visited:          # if the neighbour has not been visited yet
27                prev_node[neighbour] = vertex      # keep track of the parents of the node
28                if end in visited:                # if end is visited
29                    while stack:                  # pop until the stack is empty
30                        stack.pop()
31                        # biar krg satu jg
32                        visited.pop(-1)            # pop the current last node of visited
33                        break                      # break out of the for loop
34                stack.append(neighbour)            # only append to stack, unlike bfs to both queue and visited
35
36    # to find the path taken, we use backtrack (from end node to start node)
37    path = []                                     # initialize path as list
38    node = end                                    # let node be the end node
39    while node != start:                          # so while the node is not start node yet, it will
40        path.append(node)                        # append the node to path list
41        node = prev_node[node]                   # and backtrack to previous nodes
42    path.append(start)                            # after start node is found, we append start node to the list
43    path.reverse()                               # we reverse the whole path back, which it will return to normal (start to end)
44
45    # to find the total distance of the path taken
46    totaldist = 0
47    # zip returns zip object(an iterator of tuples)
48    # path[:-1] means all the sequence except the last
49    # and path[1:] instead is all sequence except the first
50    for i, j in zip(path[:-1], path[1:]):        # so the path pairs by taking (first, second) until (n-1, n) for (i, j) as distance
51        # between i and j
52        if (i, j) in distn.keys():
53            totaldist += distn[(i,j)]            # add all the distances between (firstnode, secondnode) until the end node
54
55    return path, totaldist, len(visited)
56
57    raise NotImplementedError("To be implemented")
58    # End your code (Part 2)
59
60 if __name__ == '__main__':
61     path, dist, num_visited = dfs(2270143902, 1079387396)
62     print(f'The number of path nodes: {len(path)}')
63     print(f'Total distance of path: {dist}')
64     print(f'The number of visited nodes: {num_visited}')
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Part 3. UCS

```
1 import csv
2 edgeFile = 'edges.csv'
3 from bfs import * # graphfunc() from 'bfs.py' is used in line 7
4
5 def ucs(start, end):
6     # Begin your code (Part 3)
7     graph, distn, slimit = graphfunc(edgeFile)
8     queue = []
9     visited = []
10    distt = {} # dictionary that stores distance from start node to current node
11    prev_nodes = {} # to find the parent node (helps with finding the path)
12
13    queue.append(start) # append start to queue
14    distt[start] = 0 # distance of start node from start is 0
15    prev_nodes[start] = start # parent of start node is start
16    path = [] # the shortest path from start to end node
17    totaldist = 0 # save the value of total distance from start to end node
18
19    while queue: # while queue is not empty
20        node = None # initialize node
21        for v in queue: # for the node inside queue
22            if node == None or distt[v] < distt[node]: # if node still None or distt from v is smaller than that of current node
23                node = v # let node be v
24
25        if node == None: # ganti ini # path does not exist if node is end
26            break
27
28        # if current node is end node, backtrack from the current node to start node (find path and total distance along the path)
29        if node == end: # if current node is end
30            totaldist = distt[node] # distt is already updated by their weight because of the for loop below
31            while node != start: # while the node is not start node yet, it will
32                path.append(node) # append the node to path list
33                node = prev_nodes[node] # and backtrack to previous nodes
34            path.append(start) # after start node is found, we append start node to the list
35            path.reverse() # we reverse the whole path back, which it will return to normal (start to end)
36            break # then break out of the loop
37
38        for m in graph[node]: # for all neighbours of current node
39            if m not in graph.keys(): continue # if the neighbour is not part of the graph.keys or start, continue or skip it
40            weight = distn[(node, m)] # weight is the distance from current node to its neighbours
41            if m not in queue and m not in visited: # if neighbour not in both queue and visited
42                queue.append(m) # add to queue and mark node as its parent
43                prev_nodes[m] = node
44                distt[m] = distt[node] + weight # dist from neighbour to start is dist from node to start plus neighbour's weight
45            elif m in queue and m != node: # neighbour is in queue and not the node itself
46                if distt[m] > distt[node] + weight: # check if it's quicker to visit the node or m
47                    distt[m] = distt[node] + weight # update the distance for m and also the parent
48                    prev_nodes[m] = node
49
50        if node in queue:
51            queue.remove(node) # remove the node from queue
52            visited.append(node) # and add it to visited
53    visited.append(end) # when node is endnode, it doesn't run until the end (leads to endnode not appended)
54
55    return path, totaldist, len(visited)
56    raise NotImplementedError("To be implemented")
57    # End your code (Part 3)
58
59 if __name__ == '__main__':
60     path, dist, num_visited = ucs(2270143902, 1079387396)
61     print(f'The number of path nodes: {len(path)}')
62     print(f'Total distance of path: {dist}')
63     print(f'The number of visited nodes: {num_visited}')
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Part 4. A*

```
1 import csv
2 from sklearn import neighbors
3 edgeFile = 'edges.csv'
4 heuristicFile = 'heuristic.csv'
5 from bfs import * # graphfunc() from 'bfs.py' is used in line 7
6
7 def heurfunc(lfile): # each id differs by test case (id1 for test1, etc)
8     heur1 = {} # heur1 as dictionary for node in each row to call its value (distance from node to id1)
9     heur2 = {}
10    heur3 = {}
11    distid = {} # dictionary to store the distance from each row differs by id
12    with open(heuristicFile, 'r') as heurfile: # open and read the heuristic.csv file
13        heurreader = csv.reader(heurfile) # read the program using the csv library (csv.reader)
14        rows = list(heurreader) # put result of the reader to list row
15        for i in range(1, len(rows)):
16            node = int(rows[i][0])
17            distid1 = float(rows[i][1]) # store heuristic or straight-line distance from the row by id1
18            distid2 = float(rows[i][2])
19            distid3 = float(rows[i][3])
20
21        if node not in heur1.keys(): # initialize and append the heuristic distance as the value of dictionary
22            heur1[node] = []
23            heur1[node].append(distid1)
24
25        if node not in heur2.keys():
26            heur2[node] = []
27            heur2[node].append(distid2)
28
29        if node not in heur3.keys():
30            heur3[node] = []
31            heur3[node].append(distid3)
32
33    return heur1, heur2, heur3
34
35 def astar(start, end):
36     # Begin your code (Part 4)
37     graph, distn, slimit = graphfunc(edgeFile)
38     heur1, heur2, heur3 = heurfunc(heuristicFile)
39
40     opened = [] # list of nodes which have been visited, but neighbors haven't all been inspected
41     closed = [] # list of nodes which have been visited and neighbors have been inspected
42     distt = {} # current distances from start node to all other nodes
43     prev_nodes = {} # to find the parent node (helps with finding the path)
44
45     opened.append(start) # append start to opened
46     distt[start] = 0 # distance of start node from start is 0
47     prev_nodes[start] = start # parent of start node is start
48     path = [] # pindah # the shortest path from start to end node
49     totaldist = 0 # save the value of total distance from start to end node
50
51     while len(opened) > 0: # while opened is not empty
52         node = None
53
54         # f(n) = g(n) + h(n)
55         # g(n): value of shortest path from start node to node n (here is distt)
56         # h(n): heuristic approx. of the node's value (here is heur)
57
58         # find node with lowest value of f(n)
59         for v in opened: # for the node inside opened
60             if (start, end) == (2270143902, 1079387396): # for test1, thus use heur1
61                 if node == None or distt[v] + heur1[v][0] < distt[node] + heur1[node][0]:
62                     node = v
63             elif (start, end) == (426882161, 1737223506): # for test2, thus use heur2
64                 if node == None or distt[v] + heur2[v][0] < distt[node] + heur2[node][0]:
65                     node = v
66             elif (start, end) == (1718165260, 8513026827): # for test3, thus use heur3
67                 if node == None or distt[v] + heur3[v][0] < distt[node] + heur3[node][0]:
68                     node = v
69
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70     if node == None: # ganti ini # path does not exist if n is end
71         break
72
73     # if current node is end node, backtrack from the current node to start node (find path and total distance along the path)
74     if node == end: # if current node is end
75         totaldist = distt[node] # distt is already updated by their weight because of the for loop below
76         while node != start: # while the node is not start node yet, it will
77             # while prev_nodes[node] != node: # while parent of the node still node the node itself
78                 path.append(node) # append the node to path list
79                 node = prev_nodes[node] # and backtrack to previous nodes
80         path.append(start) # after start node is found, we append start node to the list
81         path.reverse() # we reverse the whole path back, which it will return to normal (start to end)
82         break # then break out of the loop
83
84     for m in graph[node]: # for all neighbors of current node
85         if m not in graph.keys(): continue # if the neighbour is not part of the graph.keys or start, continue or skip it
86         weight = distn[(node, m)] # weight is the distance from current node to its neighbours
87         if m not in opened and m not in closed: # if neighbour not in opened and closed list
88             opened.append(m) # add to opened list and mark node as its parent
89             prev_nodes[m] = node
90             distt[m] = distt[node] + weight # dist from neighbour to start is dist from node to start plus neighbour's weight
91         else:
92             if distt[m] > distt[node] + weight: # check if it's quicker to visit the node or m
93                 distt[m] = distt[node] + weight # update the distance for m and also the parent
94                 prev_nodes[m] = node
95                 if m in closed: # if neighbour in the closed list
96                     closed.remove(m) # remove it and append to opened list
97                     opened.append(m)
98
99     if node in opened: # nambah ini
100         opened.remove(node) # uncommen ini # remove current node from opened list
101         closed.append(node) # append th enode to closed list
102     closed.append(end) # when node is endnode, it doesn't run until the end (leads to endnode not appended)
103
104     return path, totaldist, len(closed)
105     raise NotImplementedError("To be implemented")
106     # End your code (Part 4)
107
108 if __name__ == '__main__':

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Part II. Results & Analysis (12%):

Please screenshot the results.

1. Test 1:

from National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University (ID: 2270143902)
to Big City Shopping Mall (ID: 1079387396)

• BFS:

The number of nodes in the path found by BFS: 88
Total distance of path found by BFS: 4978.8820000000005 m
The number of visited nodes in BFS: 4273



• DFS (stack):

The number of nodes in the path found by DFS: 1232
Total distance of path found by DFS: 57208.9870000000045 m
The number of visited nodes in DFS: 4210

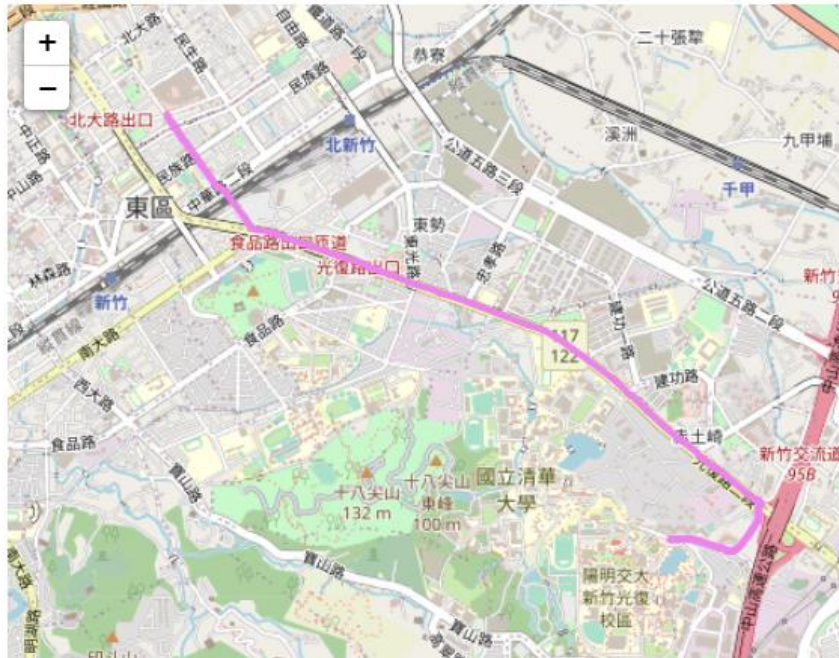


- UCS:

The number of nodes in the path found by UCS: 89

Total distance of path found by UCS: 4367.881 m

The number of visited nodes in UCS: 5077



- A*:

The number of nodes in the path found by A* search: 89

Total distance of path found by A* search: 4367.881 m

The number of visited nodes in A* search: 261



2. Test 2:
from Hsinchu Zoo (ID: 426882161)
to COSTCO Hsinchu Store (ID: 1737223506)

- BFS:

The number of nodes in the path found by BFS: 60
Total distance of path found by BFS: 4215.521 m
The number of visited nodes in BFS: 4606



- DFS (stack):

The number of nodes in the path found by DFS: 998
Total distance of path found by DFS: 41094.657999999992 m
The number of visited nodes in DFS: 8030



- UCS:

The number of nodes in the path found by UCS: 63
 Total distance of path found by UCS: 4101.84 m
 The number of visited nodes in UCS: 7207



- A*:

The number of nodes in the path found by A* search: 63
 Total distance of path found by A* search: 4101.84 m
 The number of visited nodes in A* search: 1171



3. Test 3:
from National Experimental High School At Hsinchu Science Park (ID: 1718165260)

to Nanliao Fishing Port (ID: 8513026827)

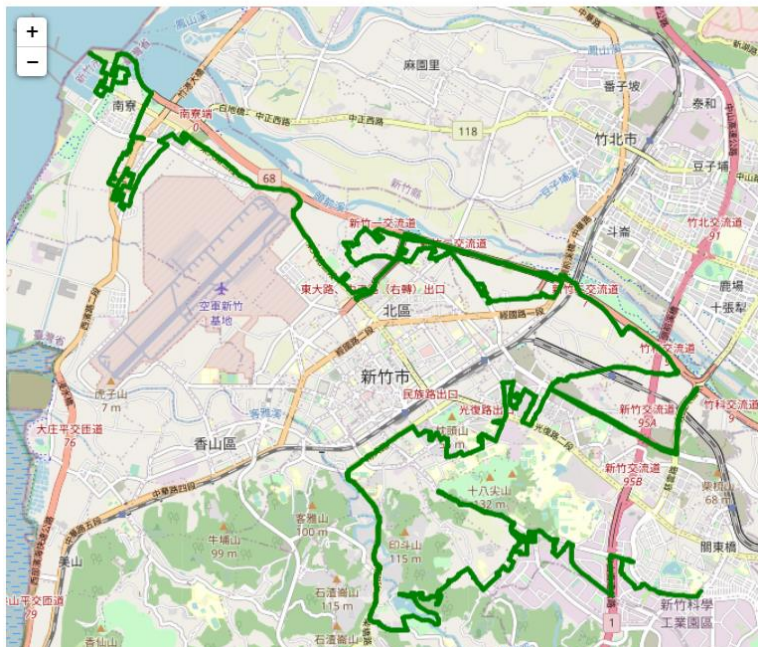
- **BFS:**

The number of nodes in the path found by BFS: 183
Total distance of path found by BFS: 15442.395000000002 m
The number of visited nodes in BFS: 11241



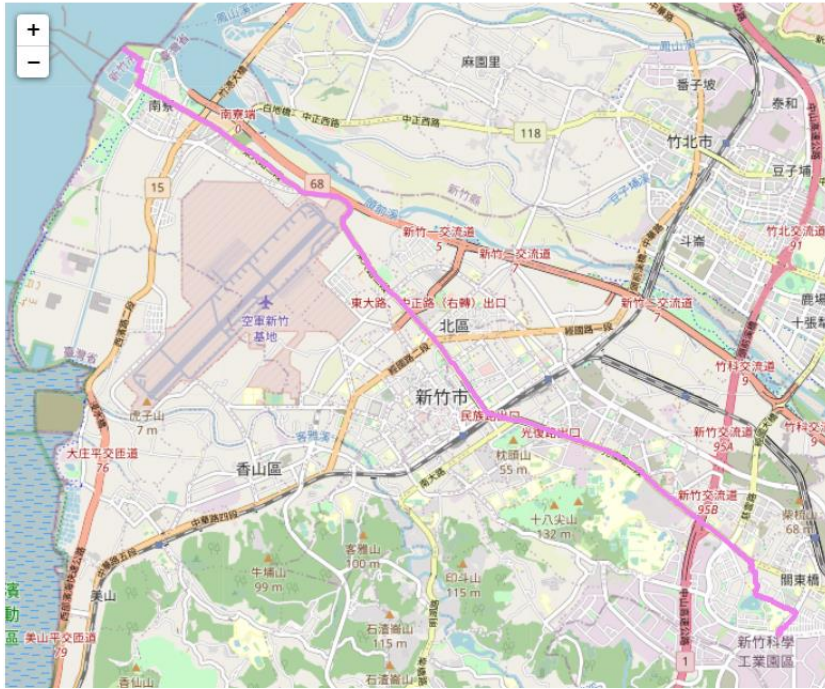
- **DFS (stack):**

The number of nodes in the path found by DFS: 1521
Total distance of path found by DFS: 64821.603999999987 m
The number of visited nodes in DFS: 3291



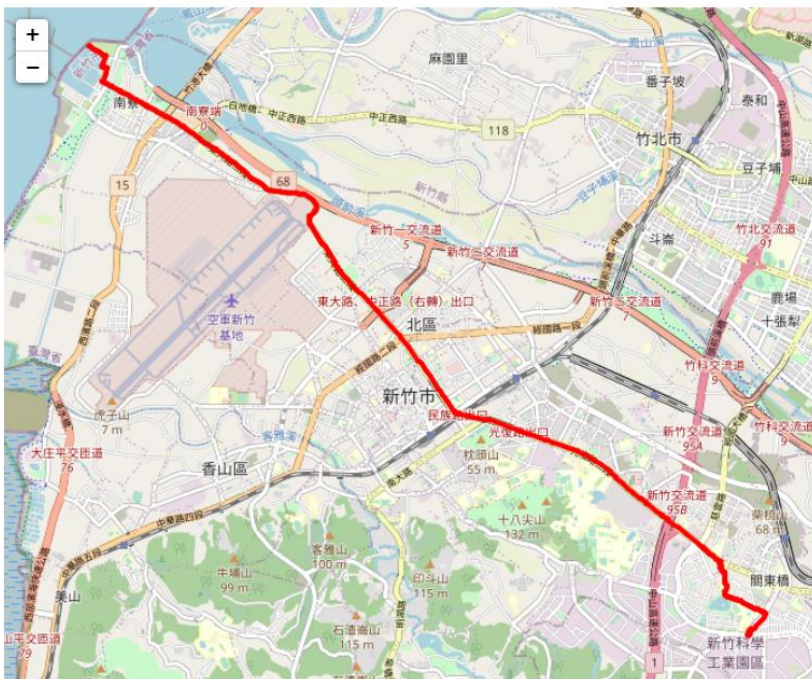
- UCS:

The number of nodes in the path found by UCS: 288
 Total distance of path found by UCS: 14212.412999999997 m
 The number of visited nodes in UCS: 11909



- A*:

The number of nodes in the path found by A* search: 288
 Total distance of path found by A* search: 14212.412999999997 m
 The number of visited nodes in A* search: 7067



From the observation of part 5, I notice that UCS and A* have the shortest path (total distance) compared to the two other methods of search. Despite of having different number of visited nodes, UCS and A* have similar path as well as the total distance of their path. However, A* has less visited nodes than UCS does, which means it is more effective and less time consuming. The reason that UCS and A* has such similar results might be that A* is the combination of BFS and UCS. I also notice that DFS is the least effective search method because it goes through lots of nodes and resulting in distance that is many times away from other searching algorithm. In conclusion, we can rank them based on their effectiveness and what we observe from the data above: A*, UCS, BFS, DFS (least effective).

Part III. Question Answering (12%):

1. Please describe a problem you encountered and how you solved it.

Ans.

One of the problems I encountered while doing this homework is while doing the UCS, I get the expected value and path for only test 1 and test 3. Thus, I tried to find sources from slides to internet, trying to figure out where the problem is. I solved this problem by modifying and rewriting mostly the code and now it works for all test cases.

2. Besides speed limit and distance, could you please come up with another attribute that is essential for route finding in the real world? Please explain the rationale.

Ans.

I think that some other attributes that might be essential for route finding are road traffic and weather. Without data about traffic, we can't say that the route finding is correct or complete. Moreover, traffic took a significant part of our life nowadays. We face traffic almost every day. Just like traffic, weather play an important role in route finding too.

3. As mentioned in the introduction, a navigation system involves mapping, localization, and route finding. Please suggest possible solutions for mapping and localization components?

Ans.

For mapping, I think some components we need maybe libraries for loading data, geo-plotting, projecting, visualizing, and analyzing the data (for example street networks). For localization, I think geolocation APIs to receive data from mapping, addresses, library to convert addresses to geocoordinates.

4. The estimated time of arrival (ETA) is one of the features of Uber Eats. To provide accurate estimates for users, Uber Eats needs to dynamically update based on other attributes. Please define a dynamic heuristic function for ETA. Please explain the rationale of your design.

Ans.

Dynamic heuristic function for estimated time of arrival includes the changes and data regarding traffic, weather, speed limit, and many more others possible changes that might happen and affects the arrival time. These factors can dynamically change the function along the process of delivering. Let's say if the weather is raining heavily and the traffic is very bad due to working hours, the heuristic function is going to cost more than other situation.