CS 411: Artificial Intelligence I Spring 2018 Homework 1

Due: February 11th, 11:59pm (via Blackboard)

Programming Portion

This portion of the assignment may be completed individually or in groups of 2.

Complete Project 1 at: http://ai.berkeley.edu/search.html, Questions 1-8.

Your code for files search.py and searchAgents.py should be submitted to Blackboard for evaluation. It must be your own (or you and your partner's) code and should not be copied from any other source. We will check for similarity to other submissions and existing resources available on the web for any cheating.

Hints: (i) Graph search is almost always better than tree search. (ii) Implement your closed list as a dict or set! (iii) Nodes are conceptually paths, but better to represent with a state, cost, last action, and reference to the parent node

Written Portion

This portion of the assignment must be completed individually.

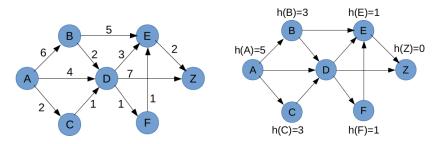


Figure 1: Search cost graph (left) and heuristic function for reaching goal Z (right).

- 1. **Search tree (3 points).** Draw the complete search tree for this graph starting from A. Please list children in the tree in alphabetical order from left to right.
- 2. Uniform cost tree search (2 points). Indicate which nodes of the search tree will be explored using uniform cost tree search from A to Z.
- 3. Uniform cost graph search (2 points). Indicate which nodes of the search tree will be explored using uniform cost graph search from A to Z.
- 4. **Heuristic Admissibility (1 point).** The heuristic value for D, h(D) has not been provided. What range of values can h(D) have and still be admissible?
- 5. Heuristic Consistency (2 points). What range of values can h(D) have and still be consistent?
- 6. **A* tree search (3 points).** Indicate which nodes of the search tree will be explored using A* tree search and the provided heuristic function with h(D) = 2.
- 7. **A* graph search (3 points).** Indicate which nodes of the search tree will be explored using A* graph search and the provided heuristic function with h(D) = 2.
- 8. Reverse search tree (3 points). Sometimes searching backward can be more efficient. Reverse the direction of the edges of the search cost graph and show the resulting search tree from Z to A.
- 9. Reverse uniform cost tree search (2 points). Indicate which nodes of the reverse search tree will be explored using uniform cost tree search from Z to A.
- 10. Bidirectional uniform cost tree search (4 points). Another useful trick is to search forward (A to Z) and backward (Z to A) simultaneously until a node is explored from both directions. Show the portions of the forward and backward search trees that are explored to find this common node.