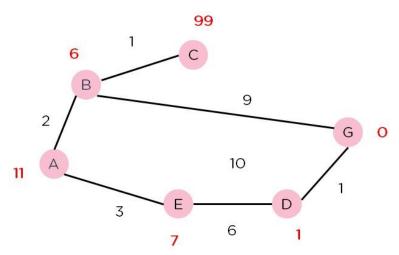
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## **A\* SEARCH ALGORITHM**

A heuristic algorithm sacrifices optimality, with precision and accuracy for speed, to solve problems faster and more efficiently.

All graphs have different nodes or points which the algorithm has to take, to reach the final node. The paths between these nodes all have a numerical value, which is considered as the weight of the path. The total of all paths transverse gives you the cost of that route. Initially, the Algorithm calculates the cost to all its immediate neighboring nodes,n, and chooses the one incurring the least cost. This process repeats until no new nodes can be chosen and all paths have been traversed. Then, you should consider the best path among them. If f(n) represents the final cost, then it can be denoted as: f(n) = g(n) + h(n), where :  $g(n) = \cos t$  of traversing from one node to another. This will vary from node to node  $h(n) = \frac{1}{2} \ln t$  heuristic approximation of the node's value. This is not a real value but an approximation cost.



## **CODE:**

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def astar(start_node,stop_node):
open_set = set(start_node)
closed_set= set()
g={}
parents = {}
g[start_node] = 0
parents[start_node] = start_node
while len(open_set) > 0:
   n=None
    for v in open_set:
       if n==None or g[v] + heuristic(v) < g[n] + heuristic(n):
    if n==stop_node or Graph_nodes[n]==None:
           pass
    else:
        for(m,weight) in get_neighbors(n):
           if m not in open_set and m not in closed_set:
                   open_set.add(m)
                   parents[m]=n
                   g[m] = g[n] + weight
            else:
                   if g[m] > g[n] + weight:
                       g[m] = g[n] + weight
                       parents[m]=n
                       if m in closed_set:
                           closed_set.remove(m)
                           open_set.add(m)
    if n==None:
       print("path does not exist!")
        return None
    if n==stop_node:
        path=[]
        while parents[n]!=n:
           path.append(n)
           n=parents[n]
        path.append(start_node)
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| P   | ath found: ['A', 'E', 'D', 'G']      |                     |                    |  |
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| RES | ULT: Thus the A* search algorithm us | ing python is execu | ated successfully. |  |
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