Description: This is a Python script that implements the A* algorithm for path planning in a 2D grid map. # Author: Hoang Pham & Fazil Mammadli # Last modified: 2024-03-25 # Python version: 3.8 # Usage: python a_star_hoang_pham.py # Notes: This script requires the OpenCV library to be installed. The script will prompt you to enter the start and goal node coordinates, as well as the step size for the robot. The script will display the map, explored nodes, and the optimal path using OpenCV. The script will also print the execution time, number of nodes explored, and path length after finding the optimal path. from queue import PriorityQueue import numpy as np import math import cv2 import time ############## # Step 1: Define the Node class and actions ############## class Node: def __init__(self, state, parent=None, cost_to_come=0, cost_to_go=0, cost=float('inf')): self.state = state

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self.parent = parent
   self.cost_to_come = cost_to_come
   self.cost_to_go = cost_to_go
   self.cost = cost
   self.x = int(round(state[0])) # Store the rounded integer value of x
   self.y = int(round(state[1])) # Store the rounded integer value of y
   self.theta = state[2] % 360 # Store the theta value
 def __lt__(self, other):
   return self.cost < other.cost
 def __eq__(self, other):
   if isinstance(other, Node):
     return self.state == other.state
   return False
 def __hash__(self):
   return hash(self.state)
def normalize_theta(theta):
 theta = theta % 360 # Ensure theta is within 0 to 360 degrees
 theta = int(round(theta / 30)) * 30 # Round theta to the nearest multiple of 30 degrees
 return theta
# Define the action functions
def move_straight(node, step_size):
 x, y, theta = node.state
 new_x = max(0, min(x + step_size * math.cos(math.radians(theta)), 1200 - 1))
 new_y = max(0, min(y + step_size * math.sin(math.radians(theta)), 500 - 1))
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new_theta = normalize_theta(theta)
 return (new_x, new_y, new_theta, step_size)
def move_30_left(node, step_size):
 x, y, theta = node.state
 new_x = max(0, min(x + step_size * math.cos(math.radians(theta + 30)), 1200 - 1))
 new_y = max(0, min(y + step_size * math.sin(math.radians(theta + 30)), 500 - 1))
 new_theta = normalize_theta(theta + 30)
 return (new_x, new_y, new_theta, step_size + 1)
def move_60_left(node, step_size):
 x, y, theta = node.state
 new_x = max(0, min(x + step_size * math.cos(math.radians(theta + 60)), 1200 - 1))
 new_y = max(0, min(y + step_size * math.sin(math.radians(theta + 60)), 500 - 1))
 new_theta = normalize_theta(theta + 60)
 return (new_x, new_y, new_theta, step_size + 2)
def move_30_right(node, step_size):
 x, y, theta = node.state
 new_x = max(0, min(x + step_size * math.cos(math.radians(theta - 30)), 1200 - 1))
 new_y = max(0, min(y + step_size * math.sin(math.radians(theta - 30)), 500 - 1))
 new_theta = normalize_theta(theta - 30)
 return (new_x, new_y, new_theta, step_size + 1)
def move_60_right(node, step_size):
 x, y, theta = node.state
 new_x = max(0, min(x + step_size * math.cos(math.radians(theta - 60)), 1200 - 1))
 new_y = max(0, min(y + step_size * math.sin(math.radians(theta - 60)), 500 - 1))
 new_theta = normalize_theta(theta - 60)
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# Step 2: Define the configuration space with obstacles using mathematical equations
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def create_map(height=500, width=1200, border_thickness=5):
 # Pre-compute obstacle positions
 obstacle_positions = set()
 border_positions = set()
 # Add border obstacle
 for y in range(height):
  for x in range(width):
    if x < border_thickness or x >= width - border_thickness or y < border_thickness or y >= height -
border_thickness:
     border_positions.add((x, y))
 # Rectangle obstacle 1
 for y in range(100 - 5, 500):
  for x in range(100 - 5, 175 + 5):
    if 100 \le x \le 175 and 100 \le y \le 500:
     obstacle_positions.add((x, y))
    else:
     border_positions.add((x, y))
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return (new_x, new_y, new_theta, step_size + 2)

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# Rectangle obstacle 2
for y in range(0, 400 + 5):
  for x in range (275 - 5, 350 + 5):
    if 275 \le x \le 350 and 0 \le y \le 400:
      obstacle_positions.add((x, y))
    else:
      border_positions.add((x, y))
# Polygonal obstacle with 6 sides (hexagon)
for y in range(100 - 5, 400 + 6):
 for x in range (510 - 5, 790 + 6):
    if y - 0.615384615385 * x \le 5  and \
     y + 0.576923076923 * x - 775 <= 5 and \
     x \le 785 and \
     y - 0.576923076923 * x + 275 >= -5 and \
     y + 0.576923076923 * x - 475 >= -5 and \
     x >= 510:
        obstacle_positions.add((x, y))
# Obstacle made from rectangles on the far right
for y in range (50-5, 125 + 5):
 for x in range (900 - 5, 1100 + 5):
    if 900 <= x < 1100 and 50 <= y < 125:
      obstacle_positions.add((x, y))
    else:
      border_positions.add((x, y))
for y in range (375 - 5, 450 + 5):
  for x in range (900 - 5, 1100 + 5):
    if 900 <= x < 1100 and 375 <= y < 450:
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obstacle_positions.add((x, y))
   else:
     border_positions.add((x, y))
for y in range(50 - 5, 450 + 5):
 for x in range (1020 - 5, 1100 + 5):
   if 1020 \le x \le 1100 and 125 \le y \le 450:
     obstacle_positions.add((x, y))
   else:
     border_positions.add((x, y))
# Create an empty canvas
canvas = np.zeros((height, width), dtype=np.uint8)
# Create a boolean matrix to represent obstacle positions
obstacle_matrix = np.zeros((height, width), dtype=bool)
# Draw obstacles on the canvas and update the obstacle matrix
for y in range(height):
 for x in range(width):
   if (x, height - 1 - y) in obstacle_positions:
     canvas[y, x] = 255 \# White represents obstacles
     obstacle_matrix[y, x] = True # Update the obstacle matrix
   elif (x, height - 1 - y) in border_positions:
     canvas[y, x] = 128 # Gray represents borders
     obstacle_matrix[y, x] = True # Update the obstacle matrix
# Obstacles made from borders
for coord in border_positions:
  obstacle_positions.add(coord)
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y, x = int(round(height - 1 - node.y)), int(round(node.x))

############# # Step 3: Implement the A* algorithm to generate the graph and find the optimal path ############# # Define the heuristic function def euclidean_distance(state1, state2): $x1, y1, _ = state1$ $x2, y2, _= state2$ return math.sqrt((x2 - x1) ** 2 + (y2 - y1) ** 2) # Define the Diagonal distance heuristic function def diagonal_distance(state1, state2): dx = abs(state2[0] - state1[0])dy = abs(state2[1] - state1[1])return (dx + dy) + (math.sqrt(2) - 2) * min(dx, dy)# Define the goal node check function def is_goal_node(current_node, goal_node, threshold=1.5): return euclidean_distance(current_node.state, goal_node.state) <= threshold # Define the obstacle check function def is_obstacle(node, obstacle_matrix, height):

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if 0 \le y \le \text{obstacle\_matrix.shape}[0] and 0 \le x \le \text{obstacle\_matrix.shape}[1]:
   return obstacle_matrix[y, x] # Return True if the node is an obstacle
 else:
   return True # Return True if the node is out of bounds
def is_duplicate_node(cost_grid, node):
 x, y, theta = node.state
 theta = normalize_theta(theta)
 i = int(round(y / 2))
 j = int(round(x / 2))
  k = int(round(theta / 30))
 return cost_grid[i][j][k] != float('inf')
def update_node_cost(cost_grid, node):
 x, y, theta = node.state
 theta = normalize_theta(theta)
 i = int(round(y / 2))
 j = int(round(x / 2))
  k = int(round(theta / 30))
 cost_grid[i][j][k] = node.cost
def a_star(start_node, goal_node, step_size, is_obstacle):
 open_list = PriorityQueue()
 closed_list = set()
 cost_grid = np.full((500, 1200, 12), float('inf')) # Cost grid to store the cost of reaching each node
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start_node.cost_to_come = 0
start_node.cost_to_go = diagonal_distance(start_node.state, goal_node.state)
start_node.cost = start_node.cost_to_come + start_node.cost_to_go
open_list.put(start_node)
update_node_cost(cost_grid, start_node)
while not open_list.empty():
 current_node = open_list.get()
 if is_goal_node(current_node, goal_node):
   return "Success", current_node, closed_list
 closed_list.add(current_node)
 for action in actions:
   new_node = Node((0, 0, 0))
   x, y, theta, action_cost = action(current_node, step_size)
   new_node.state = (x, y, theta)
   new_node.x = int(round(x))
   new_node.y = int(round(y))
   new_node.parent = current_node
   new_node.cost_to_come = current_node.cost_to_come + action_cost
   new_node.cost_to_go = diagonal_distance(new_node.state, goal_node.state)
   new_node.cost = new_node.cost_to_come + new_node.cost_to_go
   if not is_obstacle(new_node) and not is_duplicate_node(cost_grid, new_node):
     open_list.put(new_node)
     update_node_cost(cost_grid, new_node)
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# Step 4: Implement the backtracking function to find the optimal path
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# Define the backtracking function
def backtrack(goal_node):
 path = []
 current_node = goal_node
 while current_node is not None:
  path.append(current_node)
  current_node = current_node.parent
 path.reverse()
 return path
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# Step 5: Implement the visualization function to display the map, explored nodes, and the optimal
path
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def visualize_start_and_goal_nodes(canvas, start_node, goal_node):
 # Drawing the start node as a green circle
 cv2.circle(canvas, (start_node.x, 500 - start_node.y), radius=5, color=(0, 255, 0),
thickness=cv2.FILLED)
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return "Failure", None, closed_list

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# Drawing the goal node as a red circle
 cv2.circle(canvas, (goal_node.x, 500 - goal_node.y), radius=5, color=(0, 0, 255),
thickness=cv2.FILLED)
def visualize_obstacles(canvas, obstacle_matrix):
 # Draw obstacles on the canvas
 for y in range(obstacle_matrix.shape[0]):
   for x in range(obstacle_matrix.shape[1]):
     if obstacle_matrix[y][x]:
       canvas[y, x] = (255, 255, 255) # White color for obstacles
def visualize_explored_nodes(canvas, explored_nodes, step_size):
 for i, node in enumerate(explored_nodes):
   if i % 500 == 0:
     x = node.x
     y = node.y
     for action in actions:
       new_x, new_y, new_theta, _ = action(node, step_size)
       new_x = int(new_x)
       new_y = int(new_y)
       cv2.arrowedLine(canvas, (int(x), int(500 - y)), (new_x, int(500 - new_y)), (255, 0, 255),
thickness=1, tipLength=0.2)
     cv2.imshow("Path Planning", canvas)
     cv2.waitKey(1)
def visualize_optimal_path(canvas, optimal_path, step_size):
 print(f"Visualizing path with {len(optimal_path)} steps.")
 for idx in range(len(optimal_path) - 1):
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current_node = optimal_path[idx]
   next_node = optimal_path[idx + 1]
   x1, y1 = current_node.x, current_node.y
   x2, y2 = next_node.x, next_node.y
   cv2.arrowedLine(canvas, (x1, 500 - y1), (x2, 500 - y2), (0, 255, 255), thickness=1, tipLength=0.5)
   cv2.imshow("Path Planning", canvas)
   cv2.waitKey(10)
 cv2.waitKey(0)
 cv2.destroyAllWindows()
def visualize path (canvas, path nodes, closed list, obstacle matrix, start node, goal node,
step_size):
 # Create a canvas copy with three channels for RGB
 canvas_copy = np.zeros((canvas.shape[0], canvas.shape[1], 3), dtype=np.uint8)
 # Draw free space, obstacles, and borders onto the canvas
 for y in range(canvas.shape[0]):
   for x in range(canvas.shape[1]):
     if canvas[y, x] == 0:
       canvas_copy[y, x] = (0, 0, 0) # Black for free space
     elif canvas[y, x] == 255:
       canvas\_copy[y, x] = (255, 255, 255) # White for obstacles
     elif canvas[y, x] == 128:
       canvas_copy[y, x] = (128, 128, 128) # Gray for borders
 # Visualize start and goal nodes
 visualize_start_and_goal_nodes(canvas_copy, start_node, goal_node)
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# Visualize explored nodes
 visualize_explored_nodes(canvas_copy, closed_list, step_size)
 # Visualize the optimal path
 visualize_optimal_path(canvas_copy, path_nodes, step_size)
 cv2.waitKey(0)
 cv2.destroyAllWindows()
# Function to get start and goal nodes from user input
def get_start_and_goal_nodes(obstacle_matrix, height):
 while True:
   start_x, start_y, start_theta = map(int, input("Enter the start node coordinates (x y theta):
").split())
   if not is_obstacle(Node((start_x, start_y, start_theta)), obstacle_matrix, height) and start_theta
% 30 == 0:
     break
   else:
     print("Start node coordinates are within an obstacle or theta is not a multiple of 30 degrees.
Please choose different coordinates.")
 while True:
   goal_x, goal_y, goal_theta = map(int, input("Enter the goal node coordinates (x y theta): ").split())
   if not is_obstacle(Node((goal_x, goal_y, goal_theta)), obstacle_matrix, height) and goal_theta %
30 == 0:
     break
   else:
     print("Goal node coordinates are within an obstacle or theta is not a multiple of 30 degrees.
Please choose different coordinates.")
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start_node = Node((start_x, start_y, start_theta))
 goal_node = Node((goal_x, goal_y, goal_theta))
 return start_node, goal_node
# Function to get the step size from user input
def get_step_size():
 while True:
   step_size = int(input("Enter the step size for the robot (from 1 to 10): "))
   if step_size >= 1 and step_size <= 10:
    return step_size
   else:
    print("Step size must be within 1 and 10.")
def evaluate_performance(start_time, end_time, closed_list, path_nodes):
 execution_time = end_time - start_time
 nodes_explored = len(closed_list)
 path_length = len(path_nodes)
 print("Performance Evaluation:")
 print(f"Execution Time: {execution_time:.4f} seconds")
 print(f"Nodes Explored: {nodes_explored}")
 print(f"Path Length: {path_length}")
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Step 6: Main function to run the path planning algorithm

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if __name__ == "__main__":
 # Define the action set
 actions = [
  move_straight,
  move_30_left,
  move_60_left,
  move_30_right,
  move_60_right
 ]
 # Create the map
 canvas, height, obstacle_matrix = create_map()
 OpenCV)
 # cv2.imshow("Map", canvas)
 # cv2.waitKey(0)
 # cv2.destroyAllWindows()
 # Get user input for start and goal nodes
 start_node, goal_node = get_start_and_goal_nodes(obstacle_matrix, height)
 # Get user input for the step size
 step_size = get_step_size()
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# Run the A* algorithm
start_time = time.time()
result, goal_node, closed_list = a_star(start_node, goal_node, step_size, lambda node:
is_obstacle(node, obstacle_matrix, height))
end_time = time.time()

if result == "Success":
    print("Path found!")
    path_nodes = backtrack(goal_node)
    evaluate_performance(start_time, end_time, closed_list, path_nodes)
    visualize_path(canvas, path_nodes, closed_list, obstacle_matrix, start_node, goal_node, step_size)

else:
    print("No path found.")
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