

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. For example,

```
1  import csv
2  from collections import defaultdict
3
4  file=open('edges.csv')
5  dict=defaultdict(list)
6  visit=defaultdict(str)
7  lines=file.readlines()
8
9  for line in lines:
10     queue=[]
11     data=line.split(',')
12     queue.append(data[1])#end
13     queue.append(data[2])#distance
14     queue.append(data[3].replace("\n",""))#speed limit
15     dict[data[0]].append(queue)
16     visit[data[0]]=0
```

Before programming the BFS algorithm, first I prepare for the data set.

dict{ }: construct a dictionary to record the data of each edge.

dict[starting node ID]={ end node ID, distance, speed limit }

visit{ }: use to record if the node had been travel before, set the default as 0 to represent not yet to travel.

visit[node]=0(not yet)/1(traveled)

Part1:

```
20 # Begin your code (Part 1)
21 num_visited=0
22 Prev=defaultdict(str)
23 explore=[]#the FIFO queue record the node going to visit
24 explore.append(start)#the first node to visit is the starting node
25 visit[str(start)]=1#the node had been visited so assign visit[]=1
26 while len(explore)!=0:#if the queue is not empty, then keep visiting the node in the queue
27     Start=str(explore.pop(0))
28     for i in range(len(dict[Start])):#do (# of subnode of Start) times
29         End=dict[Start][i][0]
30         if visit[End]!=1:#ensure that the node wouldn't be travel over one time
31             num_visited+=1#calculate # of node had been traveled
32             visit[str(End)]=1
33             Prev[End]=Start
34             explore.append(End)#push the End node into the queue that later will travel to
35             if End==str(end):#if we found the End point then that the queue be empty to start the while loop
36                 explore.clear()
37                 break
38 path=[]
39 dist=0
40 path.append(str(end))#because we used the Prev{} to record the previous node, so we start from the end point
41 while path[0]!=str(start):#until we find the starting node
42     for i in range(len(dict[Prev[path[0]]])):#find from the dict{} about the data if the edge
43         if dict[Prev[path[0]]][i][0]==path[0]:#edge's end node
44             dist+=float(dict[Prev[path[0]]][i][1])#claculate the total distance
45     path.insert(0,Prev[path[0]])#update the path
46 for i in range(len(path)):
47     path[i]=int(path[i])
48 return path, dist, num_visited
49 raise NotImplementedError("To be implemented")
50 # End your code (Part 1)
```

About the BFS algorithm, the main idea is that find from the starting node, then each step travel all its subnode and push them in to a queue, what the queue store is the node we are going to travel. (Notice that for BFS the stack should be FIFO first in first out)

Prev{ }: dictionary that use to record the previous node for each node, so that we can find the final path easily.

explore[]: the queue of BFS

visit[]: record if the node had been travel or not, so that we won't repeat to travel same node.

path[]: record the final path from start node to end node, and return.

Part2:

```
20 # Begin your code (Part 2)
21 num_visited=0
22 Prev=defaultdict(str)
23 explore=[]
24 explore.append(start)
25 visit[str(start)]=1
26 while len(explore)!=0:
27     Start=str(explore.pop())#FILO so pop from the tail of the stack
28     for i in range(len(dict[Start])):
29         End=dict[Start][i][0]
30         if visit[End]!=1:
31             num_visited+=1
32             visit[str(End)]=1
33             Prev[End]=Start
34             explore.append(End)
35             if End==str(end):
36                 explore.clear()
37                 break
38 path=[]
39 dist=0
40 path.append(str(end))
41 while path[0]!=str(start):
42     for i in range(len(dict[Prev[path[0]]])):
43         if dict[Prev[path[0]]][i][0]==path[0]:
44             dist+=float(dict[Prev[path[0]]][i][1])
45     path.insert(0,Prev[path[0]])
46 for i in range(len(path)):
47     path[i]=int(path[i])
48 return path, dist, num_visited
49 raise NotImplementedError("To be implemented")
50 # End your code (Part 2)
```

The only different between BFS and DFS is, BFS use FIFO queue and DFS use FILO stack. In that case, just change the code in line 27 into pop() then it will turn to FILO.

Part3:

The main idea for UCS algorithm is choose the shortest distance in each round.

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19 def mini(explore,distance):
20     minimum=float("inf")#initialize the minimum be infinite that any value can be relpaced in varaible minimum at first
21     index=0#use to record the minimum's index
22     for i in range(len(explore)):#travel whole explore[]
23         if distance[explore[i]]<minimum:
24             minimum=distance[explore[i]]
25             index=i
26     return index
```

mini function: return the minimum distance value's index.

```
31 # Begin your code (Part 3)
32 num_visited=0
33 Prev=defaultdict(str)
34 explore=[]
35 distance=defaultdict(float)
36 explore.append(start)
37 distance[start]=0
38 visit[str(start)]=1
39 while len(explore)!=0:
40     index=mini(explore,distance)#every round choose the minimum index one to visited
41     Start=str(explore.pop(index))#after visited, pop it
42     visit[Start]=1
43     num_visited+=1
44     if Start==str(end):#ensure that if the visit node is end node, then stop the program
45         dist=distance[str(end)]#distance will always record the shortest distance for each node
46         explore.clear()
47         break
48     for i in range(len(dict[Start])):
49         End=dict[Start][i][0]
50         if visit[End]!=1:
51             if End not in explore:#if the node had already in the queue, don't append it again
52                 explore.append(End)
53             if End in distance:
54                 if distance[End]>distance[Start]+float(dict[Start][i][1]):
55                     distance[End]=distance[Start]+float(dict[Start][i][1])#updata the shortest distance
56                     Prev[End]=Start
57             else:
58                 Prev[End]=Start
59                 distance[End]=distance[Start]+float(dict[Start][i][1])
60     distance[index]=float("inf")#To avoid the distance keep be compared by the mini function, after visited, assign infinite to the distance
61
62     path=[]
63     path.append(str(end))
64     while path[0]!=str(start):
65         path.insert(0,Prev[path[0]])
66     for i in range(len(path)):
67         path[i]=int(path[i])
68     return path, dist, num_visited
69     raise NotImplementedError("To be implemented")
70 # End your code (Part 3)
```

There are some change between UCS and BFS/DFS in line 63-68.

For UCS the total distance had already been record in distance[], so don't need to calculate again in the while loop.n

Part4:

```
44 # Begin your code (Part 4)
45 if str(end)=='1079387396':
46     test=test1
47 if str(end)=='1737223506':
48     test=test2
49 if str(end)=='8513026827':
50     test=test3
51 #test represent data h(n)
52 num_visited=0
53 Prev=defaultdict(str)
54 explore=[]
55 distance=defaultdict(float)#g(n)
56 cost=defaultdict(float)#store the value g(n)+h(n)
57 explore.append(start)
58 distance[start]=0
59 cost[start]=test[start]#h(n)
60 visit[str(start)]=1
61 while len(explore)!=0:
62     index=mini(explore,cost)
63     Start=str(explore.pop(index))
64     visit[Start]=1
65     num_visited+=1
66     if Start==str(end):
67         dist=cost[str(end)]
68         explore.clear()
69         break
70     for i in range(len(dict[Start])):
71         End=str(dict[Start][i][0])
72         if visit[End]!=1:
73             if End not in explore:
74                 explore.append(End)
75             if End in distance:
76                 if distance[End]>distance[Start]+float(dict[Start][i][1]):
77                     distance[End]=distance[Start]+float(dict[Start][i][1])#only distance need to update
78                     Prev[End]=Start
79             else:
80                 Prev[End]=Start
81                 distance[End]=distance[Start]+float(dict[Start][i][1])
82             cost[End]=distance[End]+float(test[int(End)])#calculate the cost value by distance[]+test[]
83             distance[index]=float("inf")#avoid to be compare later
84             cost[index]=float("inf")#same as distance

85 path=[]
86 path.append(str(end))
87 while path[0]!=str(start):
88     path.insert(0,Prev[path[0]])
89 for i in range(len(path)):
90     path[i]=int(path[i])
91 return path, dist, num_visited
92 raise NotImplementedError("To be implemented")
93 # End your code (Part 4)
```

The main idea about astar algorithm is when choosing the minimum is choose the data of (path cost + goal proximity).

test[]:the data of goal proximity

distance[]:the minimum path cost for each path from start node to it

Part II. Results & Analysis (12%):

- Please screenshot the results. For instance,

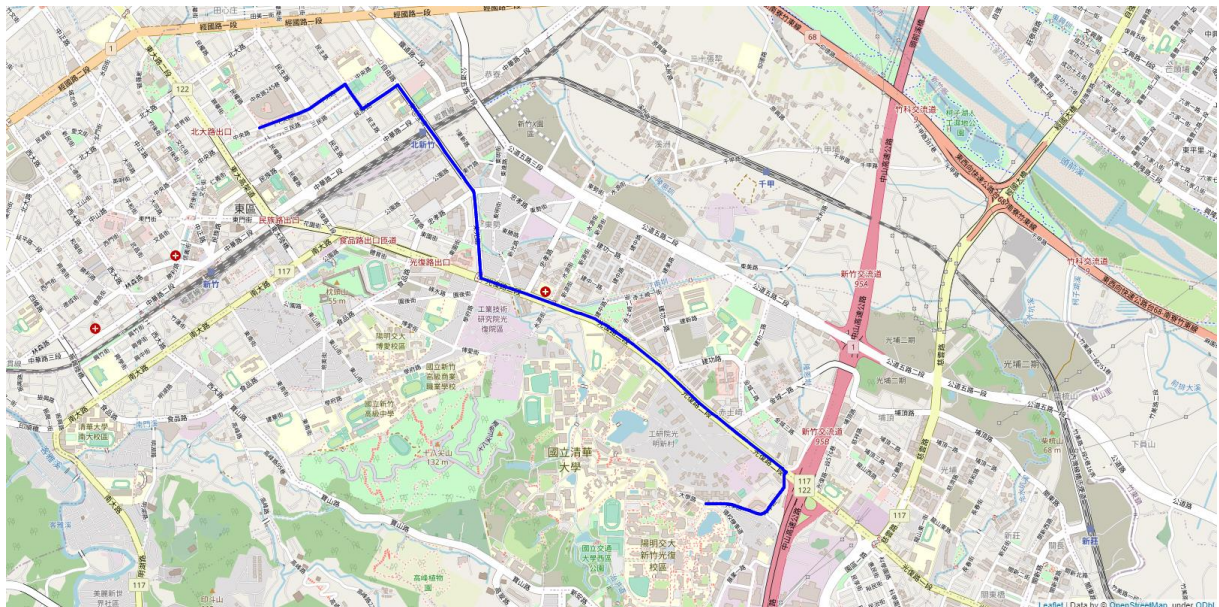
Test1: from National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University (ID: 2270143902)
to Big City Shopping Mall (ID: 1079387396)

BFS:

The number of nodes in the path found by BFS: 88

Total distance of path found by BFS: 4978.881999999998 m

The number of visited nodes in BFS: 4273

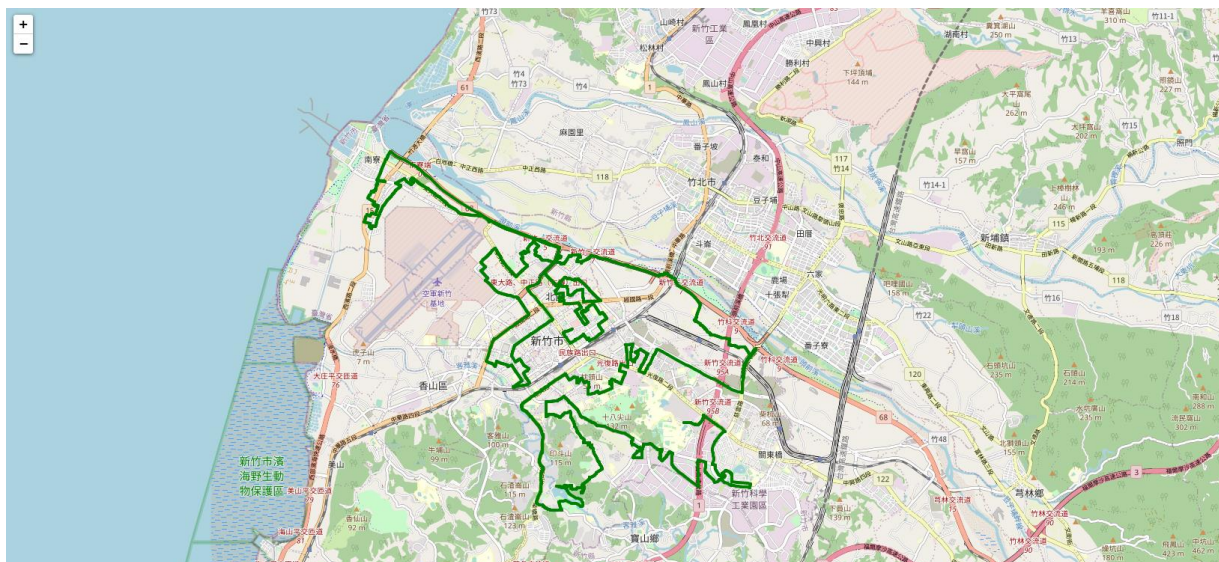


DFS (stack):

The number of nodes in the path found by DFS: 1718

Total distance of path found by DFS: 75504.31500000001 m

The number of visited nodes in DFS: 5235



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: 5086

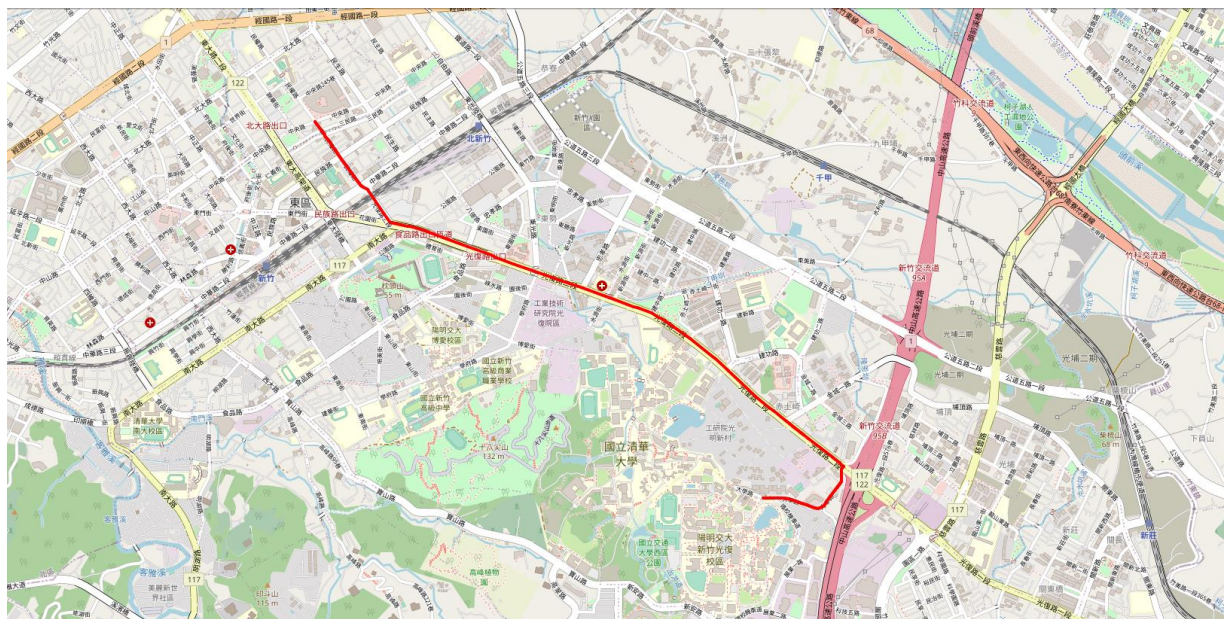


ASTAR:

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



Part III. Question Answering (12%):

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

The biggest problem I met in this homework is use correct type to call the variable, for example, when I calculate the total distance of the path, the type I initial store the distance is string, so to do the operation add, notice that we should turn the type to floated.

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.

Another essential attribute in the real world can be the traffic flow in different street. In the real world, especially the streets in the city center, the large amount of traffic flow may cause traffic jam, which cause the time spend increase. To calculate this attribute, we may get the statistic data that what time the car usually stuck in traffic, for example commute time, then we can adjust the average speed for the road.

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

the process of concurrently building up a map of the environment and using this map to obtain improved estimates of the location of the vehicle. We can define the interfaces for the components, provide implementations, and connect them in a data flow or dependency graph. The final implementation presented supports, in theory, particle filter localization and can benefit from automated parallelization.

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.

We propose a restricted dynamic programming heuristic for constructing the vehicle routes, and an efficient heuristic for optimizing the vehicle's departure times for each (partial) vehicle route, such that the complete solution algorithm runs in polynomial time. we apply it to the extended node set concerned with the giant-tour representation of vehicle routing solutions. When a state is expanded with a vehicle route-end node, then the associated vehicle route is completed. In the next stage, we consider the route-start node of the successive vehicle as the only feasible expansion, such that a new

vehicle route is started. In order to obtain feasible vehicle routes, we add state dimensions that indicate. When we expand a state, we perform feasibility checks to ensure that vehicle capacities are not exceeded.