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## **Autonomous Robotics**

# Lab 1 - Potential Functions – Brushfire algorithm and Wavefront planner

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Lab 1 Image Segmentation

#### 1 Introduction

The lab autonomous robotics is mainly based on path planning algorithms for autonomous navigation in the free environment. Most of the algorithms are been taught as course classwork and accordingly implemented in the lab. The lab 1 focus on two path planning algorithms named brushfire and wavefront. All the algorithms are implemented in MATLAB and the results are observed accordingly.

In this lab work, we will describe about the way of implementing algorithms, results and the problems faced.

## 2 Brushfire Algorithm

This section explains about the brushfire algorithm based on MATLAB. As per the given set of rules we are using 8 neighbourhood connectivity. The function is predefined in the given pdf as:

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1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

function[value map] = brushfire(map)

Figure 1: Map of brushfire algorithm

## 3 Wavefront Planner Algorithm

The wavefront algorithm is used to plan the path between obstacles and the robot. We have the predefined function as given in pdf and it is given as: Lab 1 Image Segmentation

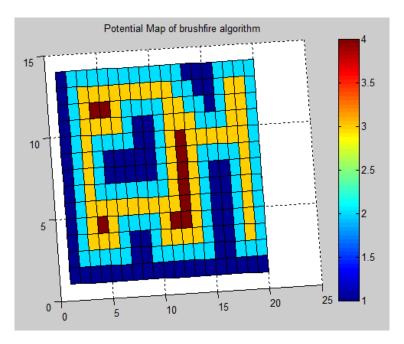


Figure 2: Brushfire plotting

 $function[value map, trajectory] = wavefront(map, start, endpoint], [goal_row, goal_column])$ 

For the wavefront we have tested the result for three different maps like map, maze and big maze. The results are lavelled as:

The coordinates for map are:

[value map, trajectory] = wave front(map, [13, 2], [3, 18])

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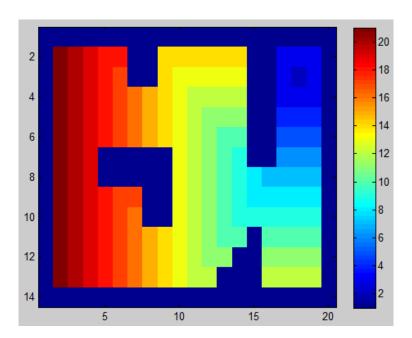


Figure 3: Wavefront for map