EXPERIMENT 5 18CSC305J

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AIM: To implement Best First Algorithm and A* Algorithm using python.

BEST FIRST SEARCH

Description:

In BFS and DFS, when we are at a node, we can consider any of the adjacent as next node. So both BFS and DFS blindly explore paths without considering any cost function. The idea of Best First Search is to use an evaluation function to decide which adjacent is most promising and then explore.

Algorithm:

- Define a list, OPEN, consisting solely of a single node, the start node, s.
- IF the list is empty, return failure.

- Remove from the list the node n with the best score (the node where f is the minimum), and move it to a list, CLOSED.
- Expand node *n*.
- IF any successor to *n* is the goal node, return success and the solution (by tracing the path from the goal node to *s*).
- FOR each successor node: 1.apply the evaluation function, f, to the node.
 2. IF the node has not been in either list, add it to OPEN.
- looping structure by sending the algorithm back to the second step.

Code:

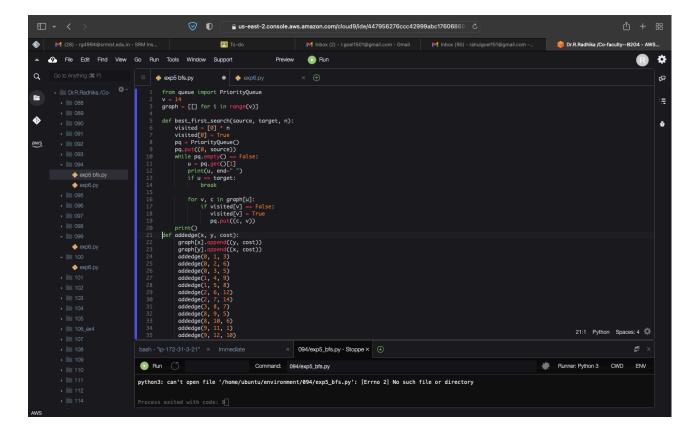
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from queue import PriorityQueue v = 14
graph = [[] for i in range(v)]
def best_first_search(source, target, n):
visited = [0] * n
visited[0] = True
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pq = PriorityQueue() pq.put((0, source)) while pq.empty() == False:

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u = pq.get()[1] print(u, end="") if u == target:
break
for v, c in graph[u]:
if visited[v] == False:
visited[v] = True
pq.put((c, v)) print()
def addedge(x, y, cost): graph[x].append((y,
cost)) graph[y].append((x, cost))
addedge(0, 1, 3) addedge(0, 2, 6) addedge(0,
3, 5) addedge(1, 4, 9) addedge(1, 5, 8)
addedge(2, 6, 12) addedge(2, 7, 14)
addedge(3, 8, 7) addedge(8, 9, 5) addedge(8,
10, 6) addedge(9, 11, 1) addedge(9, 12, 10)
addedge(9, 13, 2)
source = 0
target = 9 best first search(source, target, v)
Output:
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A* Best First Search

Description:



A* is an informed search algorithm, or a bestfirst search, meaning that it is formulated in terms of weighted graphs: starting from a specific starting node of a graph, it aims to find a path to the given goal node having the smallest cost (least distance travelled, shortest time, etc.). It does this by maintaining a tree of paths originating at the start node and extending those paths one edge at a time until its termination criterion is satisfied.

Code:

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def aStarAlgo(start_node, stop_node):
  open_set = set(start_node)
  closed_set = set()
  g = {} #store distance from starting node
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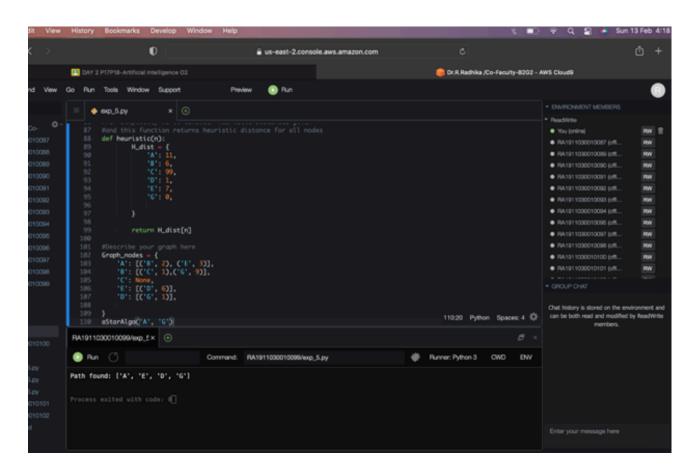
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parents = {}# parents contains an adjacency
map of all
nodes
#ditance of starting node from itself is zero
g[start node] = 0
#start node is root node i.e it has no parent
nodes #so start node is set to its own parent
node parents[start node] = start node
while len(open set) > 0: n = None
#node with lowest f() is found for v in open set:
if n == None \text{ or } g[v] + heuristic(v) < g[n] +
heuristic(n): n= v
first
if n == stop_node or Graph_nodes[n] == None:
pass
else:
for (m, weight) in get neighbors(n):
#nodes 'm' not in first and last set are added to
#n is set its parent
if m not in open set and m not in closed set:
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open set.add(m) parents[m] = n
g[m] = g[n] + weight
#for each node m, compare its distance from
start i.e g(m) to the
#from start through n node else:
if g[m] > g[n] + weight: #update g(m)
g[m] = g[n] + weight #change parent of m to n
parents[m] = n
#if m in closed set, remove and add to open if m
in closed set:
closed set.remove(m) open set.add(m)
if n == None:
print('Path does not exist!') return None
# if the current node is the stop node
# then we begin reconstructin the path from it to
the start node
if n == stop node:
path = []
while parents[n] != n: path.append(n)
n = parents[n]
path.append(start_node) path.reverse()
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print('Path found: {}'.format(path)) return path
# remove n from the open list, and add it to
closed list # because all of his neighbors were
inspected open set.remove(n)
closed_set.add(n)
print('Path does not exist!') return None
#define fuction to return neighbor and its
distance #from the passed node
def get neighbors(v):
if v in Graph nodes: return Graph nodes[v]
else:
return None
#for simplicity we II consider heuristic distances
given #and this function returns heuristic
distance for all nodes def heuristic(n):
H dist = \{ 'A': 11, \}
'B': 6, 'C': 99,
'D': 1, 'E': 7, 'G': 0,
}
return H dist[n]
#Describe your graph here Graph_nodes = {
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'A': [('B', 2), ('E', 3)], 'B': [('C', 1),('G', 9)], 'C': None, 
'E': [('D',6)], 
'D': [('G', 1)], 
} aStarAlgo('A', 'G')
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Output:



Result: Best first and A* algorithm were successfully executed in python.