

Assignment Part 1. Use OSM(Open Street Map) data to determine the shortest path between 2 pairs of coordinates using mainly the **A* Search** Algorithm and its variations, the **Best-First Search** and **Weighted A* Search** Algorithms.

- Design a robust heuristic that involves crime and/or traffic data.
- Look at the time and memory comparisons.
- Plot the paths generated and the heatmap from the fanout of each algorithm.

Results: Heuristic Implemented:

$$h(u, v) = \left(\frac{d_{geo}(c(u), c(v))}{d_{max}} \right) \times w_1 + (|P(c(u), r)| + |P(c(v), r)|) \times w_2$$

where:

- $h(u, v)$ is the heuristic function for nodes u and v .
- $d_{geo}(c(u), c(v))$ represents the geodesic distance between the coordinates of nodes u and v .
- $c(u)$ and $c(v)$ are the coordinates (latitude and longitude) of nodes u and v , respectively.
- d_{max} is the maximum distance calculated between all pairs of points in the dataset.
- $|P(c(u), r)|$ and $|P(c(v), r)|$ denote the number of points within a certain radius r from nodes u and v , respectively.
- w_1 and w_2 are variable weights, which in your function are 10 and 90, respectively.

Time & Memory Comparisons

Algorithm	Time (seconds)	Memory (MB)
Greedy Best-First Search	2.5625	5317.78
A* Search	2.5606	5317.78
Weighted A* Search	2.5806	5317.78

Table 1: Comparison of Pathfinding Algorithms

Plotted Path with Heatmap

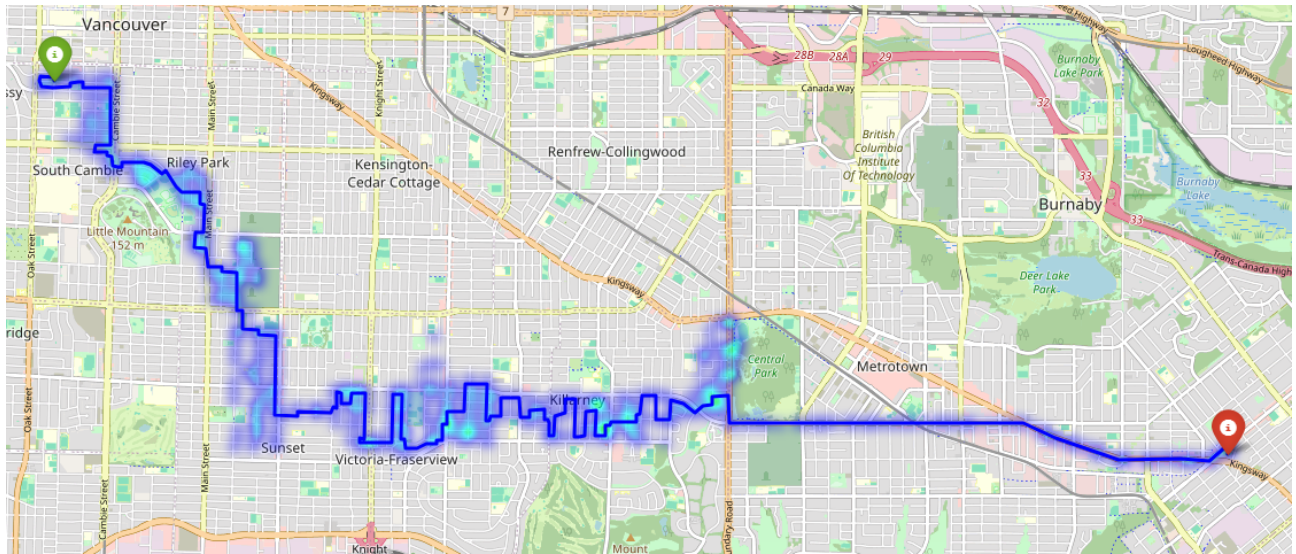


Figure 1: Plot of A* Search Path

Assignment Part 2. Google Search for a **Query** and look at all immediate links in a DFS and BFS manner and look for a **Prompt** about said **Query**.

- Implement internet search with DFS/BFS
- Summarize Points from Links related to **Prompt**

Results: Summary and out are all provided in a txt file along with the submission. As the results are too big to show here.