Module II











Programming with Pacman

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A* Pseudocode

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OPEN = priority queue containing START
CLOSED = empty set
while lowest rank in OPEN is not the GOAL:
  current = remove lowest rank item from OPEN
  add current to CLOSED
 for neighbors of current:
   cost = g(current) + movementcost(current, neighbor)
    if neighbor in OPEN and cost less than g(neighbor):
      remove neighbor from OPEN, because new path is better
    if neighbor in CLOSED and cost less than g(neighbor): **
      remove neighbor from CLOSED
    if neighbor not in OPEN and neighbor not in CLOSED:
      set g(neighbor) to cost
      add neighbor to OPEN
      set priority queue rank to g(neighbor) + h(neighbor)
      set neighbor's parent to current
reconstruct reverse path from goal to start
by following parent pointers
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Visual Debugging using GameView

- GameView class provides methods for visual debugging to ensure the controller's behaviour is as expected.
 - GameView.addPoints(game,Color.CYAN,game.getShorte stPath(game.getPacmanCurrentNodeIndex(),nearestAct ivePowerPillIndex));