IMPACT OF DDA OPTIMIZATION ON MOBILE ROBOT PATH PLANNING FOR MIXED IMAGE IN IMAGE PROCESSING

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Abstract: Existing problem solving in the day to environment requires computational intelligence. Path planning is one of the most important technologies in the navigation of the mobile robot, which should meet the optimization and real-time requests. The objective of the paper is to present a noble approach to find the efficient and effective path planning for mobile robot. Here first the image is located on the graph and then a quadtree is formed, according to the working space image with respect to the obstacle image. Then the NFT algorithm is used to obtain the shortest path from the start point to the goal point in the graph. Finally the DDA optimization algorithm is adopted to get the optimal path. The results of the simulation demonstrate the effectiveness of the proposed method, which can meet the real-time requests of the mobile robot's navigation. Here we have taken two different types of image, one square shape and other is mixed image of different shapes like triangle and circle. The working space is tested and result is verified using NFT Algorithm with DDA optimization.

Keywords: DDA, Grid search, Quadtreee, NFT (Neighbour finding technique)

I. INTRODUCTION

The area home land robotics has assumed a greater importance in the present age and robots are now used extensively to rescue survivors from dangerous environments when dealing with hazardous substances. Here the substance is taken as image and the image is presented as obstacle[2]. The goal of the path planning method is to determine a sequence of configurations for the robot to move around obstacles and avoid collisions while reaching a desired goal[11]. The Digital Differential Analyzer (DDA) method is widely used for planning the path of mobile robot. In a mobile robot path planning researchers used many algorithms for optimization and DDA is one of them and is considered to be subjected to other methods. This has two sections: first one is storing the location points in a vector array and second one is resolving the array step wise. In the DDA field method, we can imagine that all obstacles are represented by an image and we applied quadtree method on the image to make a tree[1]. once the tree is formed we applied the algorithm .The distance from the robot to obstacles will be judge on the basis of the tree structure. While the destination has followed with NFT (Neighbor finding technique) . Then we apply DDA on the path which is stored in the data base it has specific function and is finally the line of path is drawn. The function slopes down towards the target point, so that the robot can reach the target by following the path. We have applied this DDA algorithm on different shape or mixed image obstacles as shown in fig 9 and fig 10, we have applied DDA to 50 different locations and tested in c++ , here we have shown 10 different locations and as in the table III, and plotted the graph as shown in fig 13 and fig 14.

II. THE APPROACH

We have implemented DDA on A*, NFT algorithm to get the optimization. It is simulated and verified the result. The detail of the result and graph is shown in figure 3.

A. A*Algorithm

A* algorithm based implementation is easier and practically faster. to reach the destination, A*algorithm creates sub optimal paths using its neighbors. In A* representation, f'(n) = g(n)+h'(n), where g(n) is the total distance from the initial position to the current position and h'(n) is the estimated distance from the current position to the goal destination/state. To create this estimation a heuristic function is used. f'(n) is the sum of g(n) and h'(n) and is stated as the current estimated shortest path.

B. NFT Algorithm

Quad Tree

Fig 1 The image and its Notation
Image processing place an important role in the field of robotics path planning, here we have implemented the NFT (neighbor finding technique) and Applied DDA optimization over the NFT with quad tree approach[1,2,3]. Here we have implemented, equal_adj_neighbour, equal_corner_neighbour, Gte_adj_neighbour, Getqual_adj_neighbour, Get_corner_neighbour.

C. DDA Optimization

Let the path followed by the quad tree algorithm be stored in an array P1. Let P1 contains N points.

1. Check from 0 first point in P1 third element, if a free path exist, if yes store in a variable called Var.
   Note; Var initially contains 2nd element
2. Check first point to 4th point in P1 if there is a path then overwrite with the element.
3. Repeat the procedure until all the elements are scanned in such a way.
4. Let the Kth element be stored in Var stored in a new array [ ]. Now repeat the above four steps from Kth Variable. If the Kth variable is (n = i)th of the P1[ ], then add these points in P(New).
5. Till last get the point and get the path. As

   
   begin
   
   For I = 0:n-2
   
   begin
   
   for j = 2; n
   
   begin
   
   if (path_bw(a[I],a[j])
   
   begin
   
   var = a[j]
   
   end
   
   end
   
   b[++ counter] = var;
   
   end
   
   end
   
   b[++ counter] = a[n-1]
   
   end

III. OPTIMIZATION FOR OPTIMAL PATH FINDING

A. Application of DDAa optimization

The DDA optimization network resolve the task to reach all the nodes on the map. The route from the starting node to the target node is resolved, but the solution is not optimal or close to the optimal different methods have been adopted to get the optimized path, DDA is one of them. The proposed DDA Algorithm for finding a closely optimal route between the starting and the ending node is presented in the following:

- Elimination of the duplicate nodes. If the number of neurons is equal to the number of nodes on the map, the network does not find the solution, because a set of neurons will not be active during the network training process.
- Finding the address from the resulted array vector with the starting and ending nodes.
- The Array vector values which correspond to node coordinates on the map are compared with start and end node positions.
- Finding the nodes for which a neighborhood node with a lower cost to the target node exists.
- Calculating the cost from the start to the end node and from the neighborhood nodes to the end node for each node found in the previous step and storing the results in a table with the following fields: current node index, neighborhood node index, and the calculated cost.
- Ordering the table in ascending order according to the cost column.
- Deleting the higher cost overlaps the section with a Lower cost.
- Finally extracting the closely optimal path from the start to the end point.

IV. SIMULATED RESULT AND ANALYSIS

We have simulated A*, NFT algorithm with system configuration Intel® core(TM) i3-3220 GHz 3.30 and Ram-2GB (1.88 GB Usable). system type-32 – Bit Operating system. We applied DDA optimization on the path finding and tested around 100 different locations i.e different start and goal points. We found that the time taken and distance covered is very less, as shown in fig 3,4, shows the unoptimized A*, fig 4,5 shows optimized NFT, and fig 7,8 shows optimized A*. While comparing with the A* and NFT algorithm, the final output with time and distance covered presented in the graph. We have tested different shape images as shown in fig 11, 12 and table III and its graph which shows that the time and distance is reduced and get fully optimized. We have presented 10 outputs with its detail location and time and distance as shown in the fig 3 and table 1 and table 2. The comparison in graphical form as shown in fig 4.
### Table I I Distance taken by the A*, NFT

| Serial No | Start Point | Goal Point | Grid Opti. | Grid UnOpti | Quad Opti. | Quad Unopti. |
|-----------|-------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|--------------|
| 1         | 140,90      | 330,330    | 3          | 2           | 4          | 4            |
| 2         | 90,390      | 140,90     | 3          | 3           | 4          | 3            |
| 3         | 130,130     | 330,330    | 3          | 2           | 3          | 3            |
| 4         | 150,150     | 350,350    | 3          | 2           | 3          | 3            |
| 5         | 90,390      | 130,130    | 2          | 3           | 3          | 3            |
| 6         | 130,130     | 130,380    | 2          | 2           | 3          | 3            |
| 7         | 150,152     | 350,350    | 2          | 3           | 3          | 3            |
| 8         | 120,350     | 260,100    | 2          | 2           | 3          | 3            |
| 9         | 80,350      | 260,80     | 2          | 2           | 3          | 3            |

### Table II Distance taken by the A*, NFT

| Serial No | Start Point | Goal Point | Grid Opti. | Grid UnOpti | Quad Opti. | Quad Unopti. |
|-----------|-------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|--------------|
| 1         | 140,90      | 330,330    | 800.42043  | 406.83041   | 606.66217  | 403.181763   |
| 2         | 90,390      | 140,90     | 299.404301 | 279.508484  | 307.263092 | 279.508484   |
| 3         | 130,130     | 330,330    | 559.010752 | 298.737732  | 567.652405 | 362.464996  |
| 4         | 90,380      | 240,90     | 343.010752 | 336.4609    | 430.009308 | 326.156311  |
| 5         | 150,150     | 350,350    | 544.010752 | 295.853668  | 565.2014  | 363.6339    |
| 6         | 90,390      | 130,130    | 250.803236 | 263.058292  | 264.728241 | 263.058292  |
| 7         | 130,130     | 130,380    | 240        | 125         | 251.209427 | 125         |
| 8         | 150,152     | 350,350    | 544.010752 | 295.853668  | 565.201294 | 363.633942  |
| 9         | 120,350     | 260,100    | 423.409677 | 334.588684  | 413.245544 | 312.856     |
| 10        | 80,350      | 260,80     | 338.61828  | 320.61417   | 428.5895   | 321.01      |
| 11        | 300,120     | 120,380    | 483.611828 | 507.457092  | 485.7      | 288.046     |

### Fig 9 Time graph optimized Algorithm Result

![Time Graph for optimized and un optimized A* and NFT](image-url)
Fig 10 The Graph for Distance taken By A*, NFT

Fig 11 NFT optimized Algorithm Result

Fig 12 NFT optimized Algorithm Result
Table III Distance taken by the NFT different shape

| S.NO | Start Point | Goal Point | NFT without DDA (Distance) | NFT with DDA (Distance) |
|------|-------------|------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1    | 90,390      | 140,90     | 307.263092                 | 158.113876              |
| 2    | 330,330     | 130,130    | 553.510986                 | 364.208082              |
| 3    | 350,350     | 150,150    | 569.356995                 | 379.027039              |
| 4    | 90,390      | 130,130    | 264.728281                 | 117.04997               |
| 5    | 230,230     | 240,90     | 160.622574                 | 65.764732               |
| 6    | 130,380     | 130,130    | 251.209427                 | 250                     |
| 7    | 220,380     | 160,160    | 360.796722                 | 262.48114               |

Table IV Time taken by the NFT different shape

| S.NO | Start Point | Goal Point | NFT without DDA (Time) | NFT with DDA (Time) |
|------|-------------|------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| 1    | 90,390      | 140,90     | 4                      | 4                   |
| 2    | 330,330     | 130,130    | 4                      | 4                   |
| 3    | 350,350     | 150,150    | 4                      | 4                   |
| 4    | 90,390      | 130,130    | 3                      | 3                   |
| 5    | 230,230     | 240,90     | 3                      | 3                   |
| 6    | 130,380     | 130,130    | 4                      | 4                   |
| 7    | 220,380     | 160,160    | 4                      | 4                   |

Fig 13 The Graph for Distance taken by NFT
IV. CONCLUSION

In this paper we have implemented DDA optimization technique on A*, NFT algorithm and tested the result taking different start and goal points. We found that the time and distance is reduced around 60%. The amount of the existing works for each approach has been identified and classified and tested with C++ language. This paper divides the motion planning algorithms into two major groups, namely, the Conventional Approaches and Heuristic Approaches. The conventional approaches are Roadmap, grid search or Quadtree approach, here we tested in heuristic method also and the result as shown. A complete discussion of the portion of each approach in the field of robot motion planning is also presented, including different comparative figures and charts.

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