

What is an AI?

- Thinking Humanly vs. Thinking Rationally
 - Thought processes and reasoning vs. behavior
- Acting Humanly vs. Acting Rationally
 - Ideal performance measure vs. right measure *Cleaning the floor* → *Nothing on the floor*
 - A system is rational if it does the "right thing," given that it knows.
 - **Natural language processing** to enable it to communicate successfully in English
 - **Machine learning** to adapt to new circumstances and to detect and extrapolate patterns
 - Rational agent approach
 - An **agent** is just something that acts.
 - A **rational agent** is one that acts ... to achieve the best outcome.
 - cf) Each **state** is represented as a conjunction of fluents that are ground, functionless atoms.
- Task environments
 - Fully observable *ex: Map*
 - Fully observable environments are convenient because the agent need not maintain any internal state to keep track of the world.
 - Partially observable
 - An environment might be partially observable because of noisy and inaccurate sensors or because parts of the state are simply missing from the sensor data— for example, a vacuum agent with only a local dirt sensor cannot tell whether there is dirt in other squares.
 - Deterministic vs. Stochastic
 - If the next state of the environment is completely determined by the current state and the action executed by the agent, it's deterministic.
 - Static vs. Dynamic
 - Discrete vs. Continuous
 - Time is handled? Possible to have a discrete set of percepts and actions?
 - Known vs. Unknown
 - In a known environment, the outcomes for all actions are given.
 - In an unknown environment, the agent will have to learn how it works in order to make good decisions.

Definition of a Problem:

- Initial State : The agent starts
- Actions(s) → {a₁, a₂, a₃, ...} ; Given a state, s, Actions returns all possible actions from the state, s
- Result(s, a) → s' *returns the result of doing action a in state s*
- GoalTest(s) → True/False *determines whether the current state is the Goal*
- PathCost(s →^a s →^a s) → n *A path cost assigns numeric cost*
 - StepCost(s, a, s') → n *A path cost is the sum of the step costs*

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|---|---|---|
| 7 | 2 | 4 |
| 5 | | 6 |
| 8 | 3 | 1 |

Start State

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| | 1 | 2 |
| 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 | 7 | 8 |

Goal State

Example 1) Define the problem of the 8-puzzle:

- States: A description of all the tile locations
- Initial state: Any state
 $\begin{matrix} 7 & 2 & 4 \\ 5 & & 6 \\ 8 & 3 & 1 \end{matrix}$ a string: "2245-6831" or a list
- Actions: Movement of the blank state. L, R, U, D, can be different depending on where the space is
- Transition model (a description of what each action does): Given an action + state, return the new location of all the tiles
- Goal test: Check if the string == "123456789" or list
- Path cost: Number of moves used to move the tiles to the ending state

Three regions:

- Explored = Where we've gone
- Frontier = Where we are
- Unexplored = Where we have not gone

Tree Search Vs. Graph Search

function Tree-Search(problem):

frontier = (initial state)

loop:

if frontier is empty:

return FAIL

path = remove-choice(frontier)

s = path.end

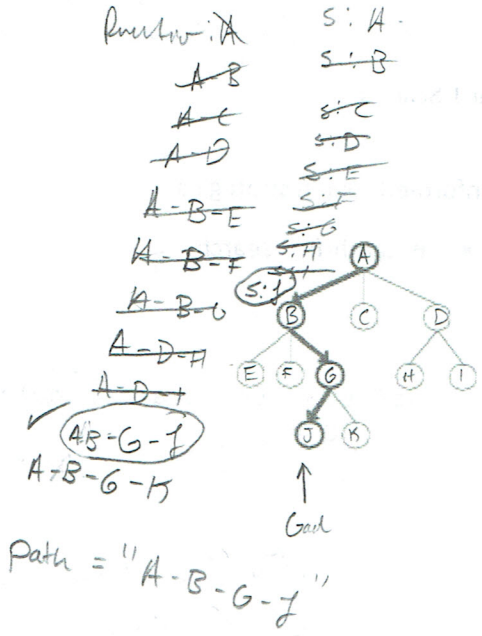
if goal-test:

return path

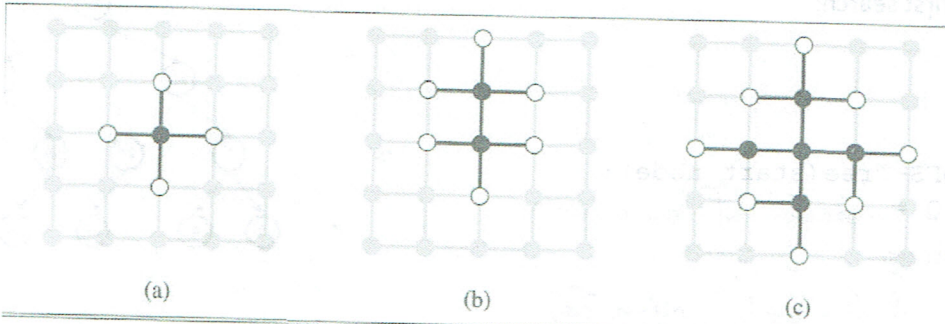
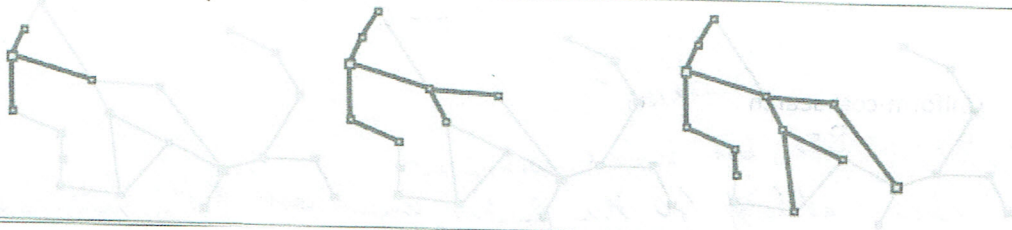
for a in p.Actions:

add [path+a, Result(s,a)] to frontier

pop()



Path = "A-B-G-J"



function Graph-Search(problem):

frontier = initial_state; explored = {}

loop:

if (frontier is empty):

return FAIL

path = remove-choice(frontier)

s = path.end

add s to explored

if Goal-Test(s):

return path

for a in p.Actions(s):

unless Result(s,a) is in frontier & explored

add [path+a, Result(s,a)] to frontier

BFS:

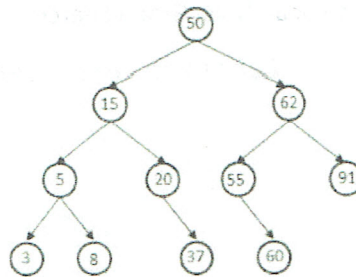
Pop from front

DFS:

Pop from End

Uninformed search strategies

- Breadth-first search:



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def BFS-Tree(start_node):
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Q = queue w/ starting node

loop:

if Q is empty: return -1

S = Q.dequeue()

if goal-test(S): return path

for a in S.children:

if a is not in Q:

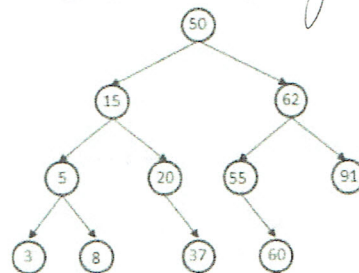
Q.add(a)

- Uniform-cost search

Almost BFS, but lowest cost first

When adding to the frontier compare cost if the node is already there

- Depth-first search:



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def DFS-Tree(start_node):
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Q = stack w/ start node

loop:

if Q is empty: return Fail

S = Q.pop()

if goal-test(S):

return path

for a in S.children:

if a not in future:

Q.add(a)