

1 Binary Constraints

2 Implementation of AC3 (with backtracking) for sudoku

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from queue import Queue
from copy import deepcopy
import sys
import os
#for the graph at the end
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

class Node:
    def __init__(self,row,col,value=None, domain=range(1, 10)):
        self.row = row
        self.col = col
        if value is not None:
            self.value = int(value)
            self.domain = [int(value)]
        else :
            self.value = value
            self.domain = list(domain)

    def __str__(self):
        return '({}, {}, {}, {})'.format(self.row, self.col, self.value, self.domain)

    def __repr__(self):
        return '({}, {}, {}, {})'.format(self.row, self.col, self.value, self.domain)

class Arc:
    def __init__(self,Xi,Xj):
        self.Xi = Xi
        self.Xj = Xj

    def evaluate(self):
        '''
        Evaluates arc
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        returns:
            noSolution: whether or not the state of the puzzle is not solvable
            Checks : Xi != Xj and Xi domain not {}
        '''
        notSolvable = False
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#enforcing arc consistency Xi != Xj
if(self.Xi.value is not None and self.Xi.value == self.Xj.value):
    notSolvable = True
elif (self.Xj.value != None and self.Xj.value in self.Xi.domain):
    self.Xi.domain.remove((self.Xj.value))
    if (len(self.Xi.domain)< 0 ):
        notSolvable = True
return notSolvable

def addNeighbours(queue,node, puzzle):
    '''
    Adds all Arcs where Xk != Xi given Xi.
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    Params (optional):
        queue: a Queue of of arcs to evaluate using AC3
        node: the node Xi you would like to add all neighbor arcs to
        puzzle: a 2d array of Nodes representing the puzzle
    returns:
        puzzle: a 2d array of Nodes representing the puzzle
        noSolution: a boolean of whether or not the given puzzle is solvable
        noneValueFound: a boolean of whether the given puzzle was fully solved by AC3, return
    '''
    currentRow = node.row
    currentColumn = node.col
    #grab neighbors in nodes row
    i = currentRow
    for j in range(9):
        if not (currentRow == i and currentColumn == j):
            queue.put(Arc(puzzle[i][j], node ))

    #grab neighbors in nodes column
    j = currentColumn
    for i in range(9):
        if not (currentRow == i and currentColumn == j):
            queue.put(Arc(puzzle[i][j], node ))

    #grab neighbors in box
    row = (currentRow // 3) * 3
    col = (currentColumn // 3) * 3

    for i in range(3) :
        for j in range(3) :
            if not (currentRow == row +i and currentColumn == col+ j):
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        queue.put(Arc(puzzle[row + i][col + j], node ))

def AC3(puzzle):
    """
    Does AC3 algorithm on Sudoku Puzzle
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    Params (optional):
        puzzle: a 2d array of Nodes representing the puzzle
    returns:
        puzzle: a 2d array of Nodes representing the puzzle
        noSolution: a boolean of whether or not the given puzzle is solvable
        noneValueFound: a boolean of whether the given puzzle was fully solved by AC3, return
    """
    global qlengths
    queue = Queue()

    #fill queue with initial constraints
    for row in puzzle:
        for node in row:
            currentRow = node.row
            currentColumn = node.col
            #grab neighbors in nodes row
            i = currentRow
            for j in range(9):
                if not (currentRow == i and currentColumn == j):
                    queue.put(Arc(node,puzzle[i][j] ))

            #grab neighbors in nodes column
            j = currentColumn
            for i in range(9):
                if not (currentRow == i and currentColumn == j):
                    queue.put(Arc( node,puzzle[i][j] ))

            #grab neighbors in box
            num_row = (currentRow // 3) * 3
            col = (currentColumn // 3) * 3

            for i in range(3) :
                for j in range(3) :
                    if not (currentRow == num_row + i and currentColumn == col + j):
                        queue.put(Arc(node,puzzle[num_row+ i][col+j] ))

    noSolution = False
    qlengths.append(queue.qsize())
    while (queue.qsize() > 0 and not noSolution):
        #Get first Node
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arc = queue.get_nowait()
node = arc.Xi

#get needed attributes
domainCount = len(node.domain)
noSolution= arc.evaluate()
newDomainCount = len(node.domain)

# this line doesnt cause a problem due to the check within "evaluate" because of th
if newDomainCount == 1 :
    node.value = node.domain[0]
#if domain has been changed , add all neighbors
if newDomainCount < domainCount:
    addNeighbours(queue,node,puzzle)
qlengths.append(queue.qsize())

i=0
j= 0
#checking if puzzle is solved
noneValueFound= False
while (i < 9 and not noneValueFound):
    j = 0
    while(j < 9 and not noneValueFound):
        if puzzle[i][j].value is None:
            noneValueFound = True
        j+=1
    i +=1
return puzzle, not noneValueFound, noSolution

def loadPuzzle(file='./puzzles/easy.csv', num=1, header=True, start=0, givenSolutions=False)
'''
Loads a puzzle from a file
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Params (optional):
    file: the file to load, defaults to puzzle/easy.csv
    num: the number of puzzles to load, defaults to 1
    header: if the file has a header or not, defaults to True
    start: what line to start reading the puzzle from
returns:
    puzzle: a 2d array of Nodes representing the puzzle
    solution: a 2d array of Nodes representing the solution of the puzzle
    Note: if num > 1 will return an array of puzzles and and array of solutions
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with open(file, 'r') as f:

    if num == -1 or num > 1:
        puzzles = []
        solutions = []

    for i, line in enumerate(f):
        if header and i == 0:
            start += 1
            continue

        if i < start:
            continue

        if num != -1 and i > start + num:
            break

        if givenSolutions:
            puzzleAndSol = line.split(',')
        else:
            line = line.replace(',', ' ')
            puzzleAndSol = [line]
        puzzle = []
        for j in range(9):
            row = []
            for k in range(9):
                row.append(Node(j, k, None if puzzleAndSol[0][j*(9) + k] == '.' else puzzleAndSol[0][j*(9) + k]))
            puzzle.append(row)

        if givenSolutions:
            solution = []
            for j in range(9):
                row = []
                for k in range(9):
                    row.append(Node(j, k, None if puzzleAndSol[1][j*(9) + k] == '.' else puzzleAndSol[1][j*(9) + k]))
                solution.append(row)

        if num == -1 or num > 1:
            puzzles.append(puzzle)
            if givenSolutions:
                solutions.append(solution)
    if num == -1 or num > 1:
        return puzzles, solutions
    else:
        return puzzle, solution if givenSolutions else None
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def backtrackSearch(puzzle):
    """
    Performs a backtracking search on a csp sudoku
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    Param:
        puzzle: A 2d array of Node objects
    returns:
        A solved sudoku puzzle
        A boolean of if the puzzle is solved or not
    """

    # Find the starting node based on the degree heuristic
    # ie selecting the node with largest amount of constraints
    # since that node will have the largest degree as there will
    # be the most unassigned variables around it.
    firstNode = None
    for row in puzzle:
        for node in row:
            if node.value is None and (firstNode is None or len(firstNode.domain) < len(node.domain)):
                firstNode = node

    # Starts the backtracking
    return backtrack(puzzle, firstNode.row, firstNode.col)

def backtrack(puzzle, row, col):
    """
    Auxiliary Performs a backtracking search on a csp sudoku
    -----
    Params:
        puzzle: A 2d array of Node objects
        row: The row of the current node
        col: The col of the current node
    returns:
        A solved sudoku puzzle
        A boolean for if the puzzle is solved or not
    """

    # Check if the puzzle is finished, if it is we are done
    # and collapse the call stack
    if complete(puzzle):
        return puzzle, True

    # Get the order of the domain using the
    # least constraining value heuristic
    domainOrder = order(row, col, puzzle)
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for value in domainOrder:

    # Check if the current value in the domain is consistent
    # with the constraints of the sudoku
    # Should always be consistent
    if valid(puzzle, row, col, value):

        # Store a copy of the current state for
        # the backtracking
        state = deepcopy(puzzle)

        # Update the value of the current node
        puzzle[row][col].value = value

        # Make the updated puzzle arc consistent
        puzzle, completed, noSolution = AC3(puzzle)

        # If the puzzle still has a solution
        # We can continue, Otherwise we move on
        if not noSolution:
            if not completed:
                # Figure out which node we should check next using
                # MRV
                nextNode = getNextNode(puzzle)

                # Call the next node
                puzzle, completed = backtrack(puzzle, nextNode.row, nextNode.col)

                # We returned from the backtracking
                # if completed then we are done
                # collapse the call stack
                if completed:
                    return puzzle, completed
            else:
                return puzzle, completed
        # we returned from the backtracking
        # or the value is invalid
        # so restore the starting state
        # remove the value from the domain
        # and continue to the next value in the domain
        puzzle = state
        puzzle[row][col].domain.remove(value)
        puzzle[row][col].value = None

    # This value had no values in its domain that worked
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# Backtrack to previous node
return puzzle, False

def valid(puzzle, row, col, value):
    '''
    Checks if a value is valid with the constraint
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    Params:
        puzzle: A 2d array of Node objects
        row: The row of the current node
        col: The col of the current node
        value: The value you are checking that works
    returns:
        True if the value is valid, false otherwise
    '''
    node = puzzle[row][col]

    # Row
    col = node.col
    for row in range(9):
        if puzzle[row][col].value == value:
            return False

    # Column
    row = node.row
    for col in range(9):
        if puzzle[row][col].value == value:
            return False

    # Box
    row = (node.row // 3) * 3
    col = (node.col // 3) * 3
    for i in range(3):
        for j in range(3):
            if puzzle[row + i][col + j].value == value:
                return False
    return True

def order(row, col, puzzle):
    '''
    returns the order of the domain to check using the least
    constraining value heuristic
    -----
    Params:
        row: The row of the current node
        col: The col of the current node
        puzzle: A 2d array of Node objects
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returns:
    The domain as a new array in the order to use
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node = puzzle[row][col]

order = []
for value in node.domain:
    affectedValues = 0

    boxRow = (node.row // 3) * 3
    boxCol = (node.col // 3) * 3
    # Row
    col = node.col
    for row in range(9):
        if boxRow <= row < boxRow + 3:
            continue
        if value in puzzle[row][col].domain:
            affectedValues += 1

    # Column
    row = node.row
    for col in range(9):
        if boxCol <= col < boxCol + 3:
            continue
        if value in puzzle[row][col].domain:
            affectedValues += 1

    # Box
    for i in range(3):
        for j in range(3):
            if value in puzzle[boxRow + i][boxCol + j].domain:
                affectedValues += 1

    order.append((value, affectedValues))

order = sorted(order, key=lambda x: x[1])
return [x[0] for x in order]

def complete(puzzle):
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    Checks if the puzzle is solved
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    Params:
        puzzle: A 2d array of Node objects
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    returns:
        True if every node has a value, false otherwise
    '''
    for i in range(9):
        for j in range(9):
            if puzzle[i][j].value == None:
                return False

    return True

def getNextNode(puzzle):
    '''
    returns the next node to check using MRV
    -----
    Params:
        puzzle: A 2d array of Node objects
    returns:
        The next node to search
    '''
    nextNode = None
    for row in puzzle:
        for node in row:
            if node.value is None and (nextNode is None or len(nextNode.domain) > len(node.domain)):
                nextNode = node
    return nextNode

def print_board(puzzle, detailed=False):
    print('- ' * 13)
    for row in puzzle:
        print('|', end=' ')
        for col in row:
            if detailed:
                domain = ''.join(str(x) for x in col.domain)
                print("[{} ({}s)]".format(col.value if col.value else '.', domain), end=' ')
            else:
                print(col.value if col.value else '.', end=' ')
            if col.col % 3 == 2:
                print('|', end=' ')
        print()
        if col.row % 3 == 2:
            print('- ' * 13)

def print_board_and_sol(puzzle, solution):
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        if col.col % 3 == 2:
            print('|', end=' ')
    print()
    if col.row % 3 == 2:
        print('-' * 25, end='')
        print(' ' * 20, end='')
        print('-' * 25, end='')
        print(' ' * 20, end='')
        print('-' * 25)

qlengths = []
if __name__ == "__main__":
    q = Queue()

    num = int(sys.argv[1]) if len(sys.argv) > 1 else 1

    puzzles, _ = loadPuzzle(file='./puzzles/random.txt', num=num, header=True)

    if num == 1:
        puzzles = [puzzles]

    for i, p in enumerate(puzzles, start=1):
        qlengths = []

        original_puzzle = deepcopy(p)

        finishedPuzzle, completed, noSolution = AC3(p)

        if len(puzzles) > 1:
            print("{}:".format(i))

        if completed:
            print("Sudoku solved using AC3")
            print_board_and_sol(original_puzzle, finishedPuzzle)
        elif noSolution:
            print('No Solution!')
            print_board(original_puzzle)
        else:

            print('Board used Backtracking')
            ac3_puzzle = deepcopy(finishedPuzzle)
            finishedPuzzle2, finished = backtrackSearch(finishedPuzzle)
            print_board_and_sol_and_ac3(original_puzzle, ac3_puzzle, finishedPuzzle2)
            if not finished:
                print("Backtracking Failed to find a solution")
                print_board(finishedPuzzle2)
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#ploting the queue lengths
if not os.path.exists('queue_lengths'):
    os.makedirs('queue_lengths')
plt.plot qlengths)
plt.xlim(left=0)
plt.ylim(bottom=0)
plt.ylabel('Length of the Queue')
plt.xlabel('Step count')
plt.savefig('queue_lengths/Sudoku-Queue-length-plot-{}.png'.format(i))
# plt.show()
plt.close()
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