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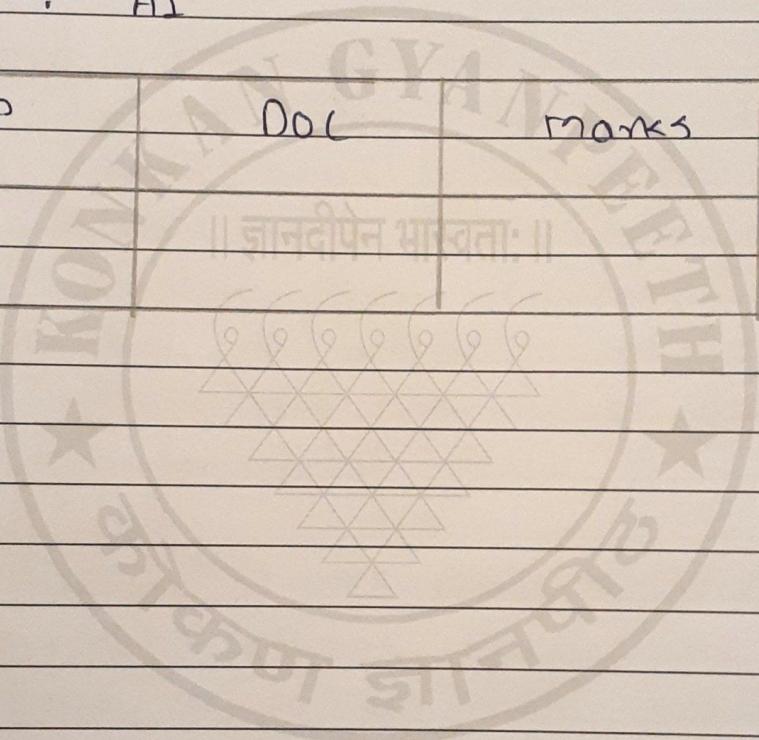
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Tutorial 2 :- To understand state space problem formulation.

Aim : To understand state space based problem formulation of AI problems so that problem solving Agent can be applied.

Theory :- First we understand the problem solving agent. Algorithm shown in Figure 3 shows agent program for problem solving agent. Agent first formulates goal and problem, then determines or rather searches an action sequence, after which it returns the next action to be executed in a sequential manner.

Function SIMPLE-PROBLEM-SOLVING-AGENT
(percept) returns an action.

static : seq , an action sequence , initially empty
state, some description of the current world state
goal, a goal , initially null problem, a problem
formulation

state \leftarrow UPDATE-STATE (state, percept)

if seq is empty then do

 goal \leftarrow FORMULATE-GOAL (state)

 problem \leftarrow Formulate-Problem(state, goal)

 seq \leftarrow SEARCH (problem)

 action \leftarrow FIRST (seq)

 seq \leftarrow REST (seq) return action

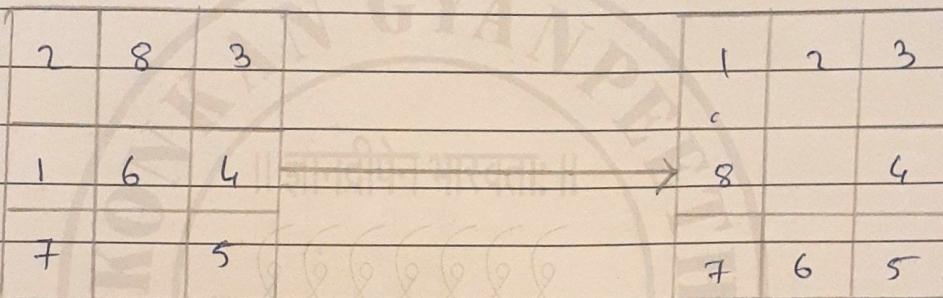
Defining the problem is referred to as problem formulation. It involves defining following five things:

- Initial State It is the starting state that the problem is in.
- Actions It defines all possible actions available to the agent, given it is in some state currently. It is a function Action that return list of all possible actions.
- Transition Model also known as Successor function which define which state(s) the system tend to move to when a particular action is executed by the agent. Successive application of transition model give rise to what is known as State Space.
- Goal Test This act as a stopping condition when the state passed to this function is goal state it will return true and searching would stop.
- Path cost It is accumulated cost of performing certain sequence of actions. This can help in determining whether the action sequence under consider-action is optimal.

Working : Based on understanding of problem formulation students need to formulate following problems. They will clearly show state space up to depth level 3 which ever is shallowest.

II 8 puzzle problem :

The 8 puzzle consist of eight numbered, movable tiles set in a 3×3 frame. One cell of the frame is always empty thus making it possible to move an adjacent numbered tile into the empty cell. Such a puzzle is illustrated in following figure.



Initial State

Goal state

fig. example of 8 puzzle

This program is to change the initial configuration into the goal config. A solution to the problem is an appropriate sequence of moves, such as "move tile 5 to the right, move tile 7 to the left, move the tile 6 to the down" etc. --

To solve a problem, we must specify the global database the rules and the control strategy. for the 8 puzzle problem that corresponds to 3 components.

These elements are the problem states, moves and goal. In this problem each tile configuration is a stack. The set of all possible configuration in the problem space

consist of 3,62,880 different configurations of the 8 tiles and blank space.

for the 8-puzzle a straight forward description is a 3×3 array or matrix of numbers. Initial global database is this description of the initial problem state virtually any kind of data structure can be used to describe states.

A move transforms one problem state into another state. The 8-puzzle is conveniently interpreted as having the following for moves:

- move empty space (blank) to the left, move blank up, move blank to the right and move blank down.
- These moves are modeled by production rules that operate on the state description in the appropriate manner.

The goal condition from the basis for the termination. The control strategy repeatedly applies rules to state descriptions until a description of a good state is produced. It also keeps track of rule that have been applied so that it can compose them into sequence representing the problem solution.

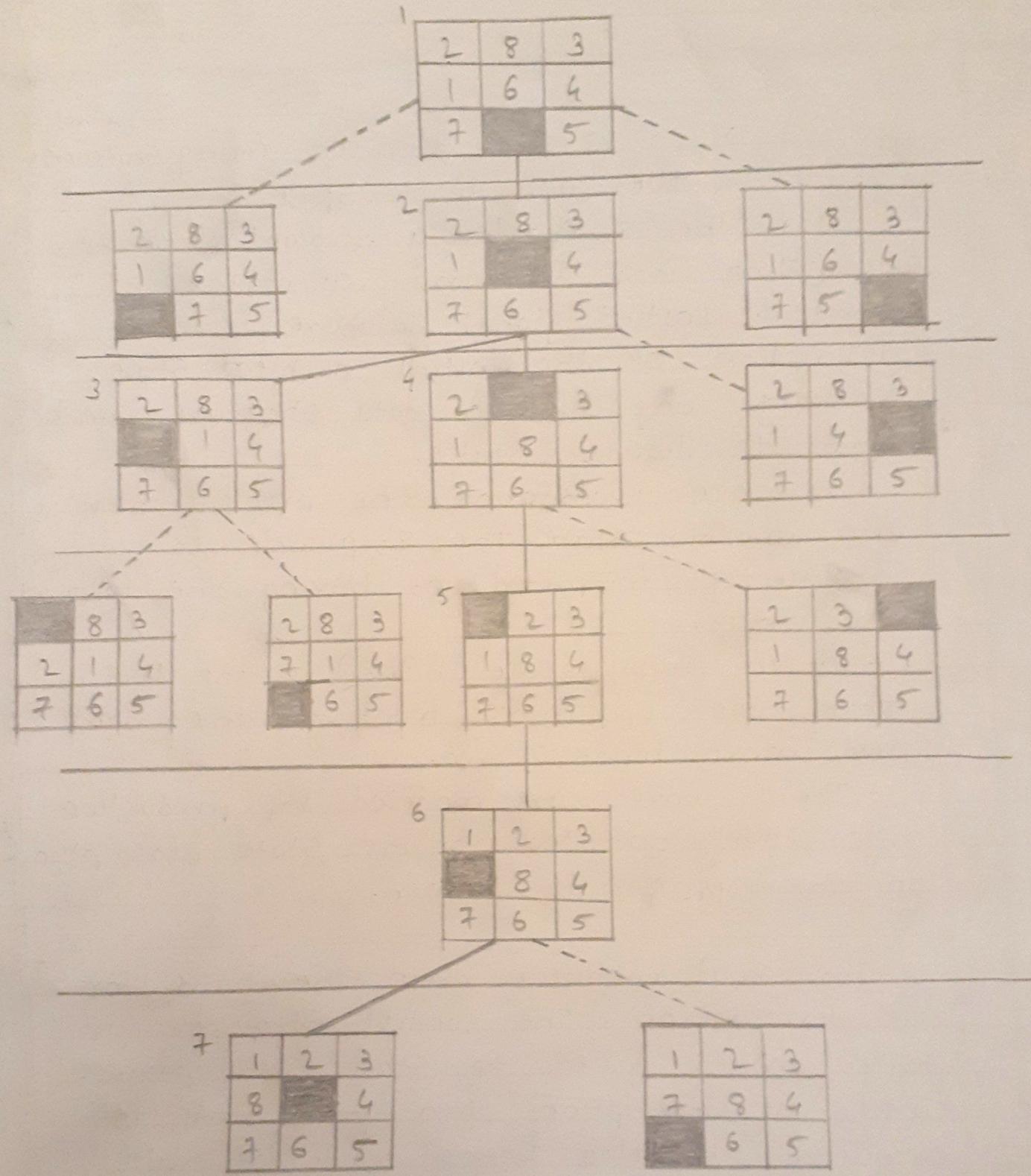


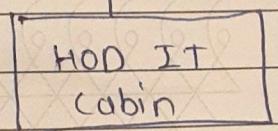
Fig. Solution of 8 Puzzle Problem

- ii) Navigate to KICE workshop from HOD IT cabin with minimum number of moves, moves can be climbing or alighting staircase, turning left, right, walking through a corridor

States :- It can be represented as a top view of the agent along with arrows in ~~next~~ directions left, right, forward and backward. we use 'climb' and 'alight' for moving through staircases

- iii) Initial state :

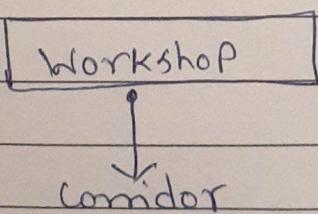
Exit ← → Corridor.



Box represents current location of agent.

- iv) Actions : The agent moves in left, right, forward and backward directions along with alighting and climbing the stairs (if any).
- v) Successor function : If we apply 'right' operation to the start state, the agent enters the corridor the first step towards goal state.

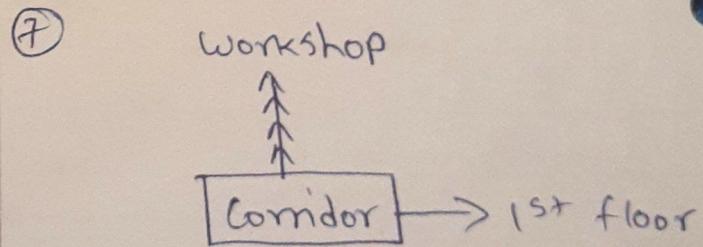
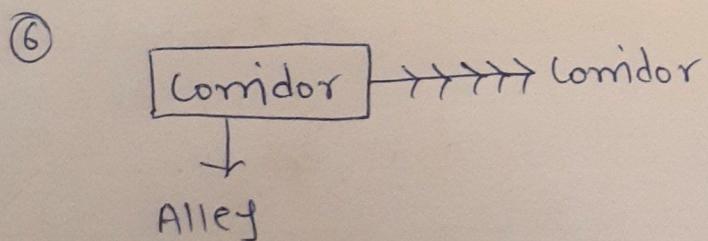
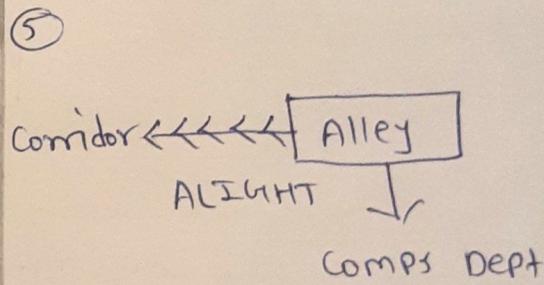
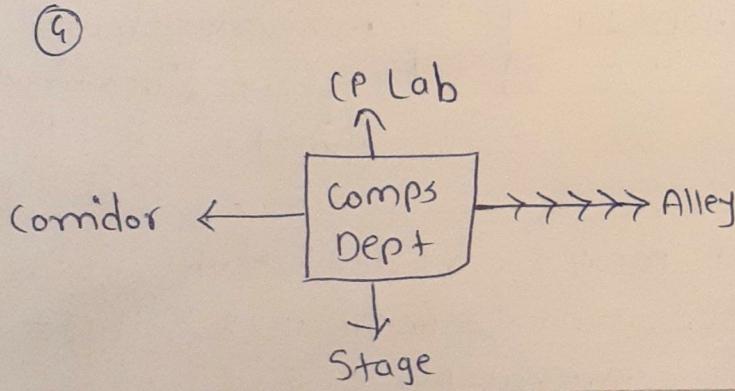
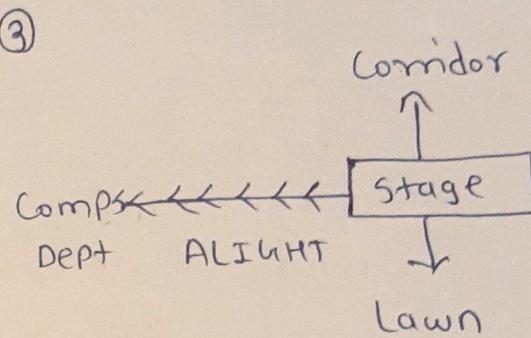
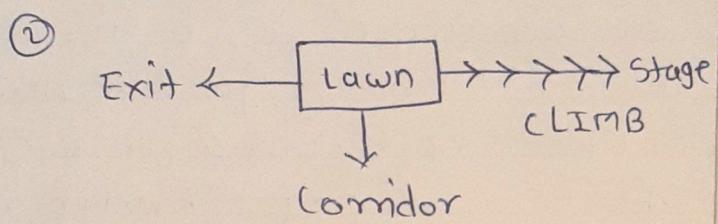
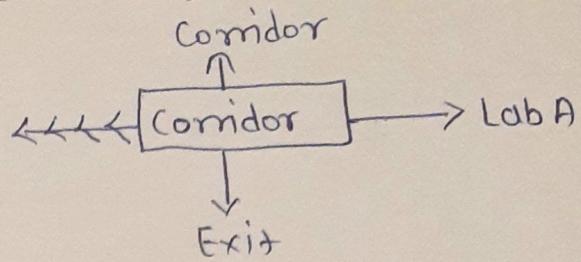
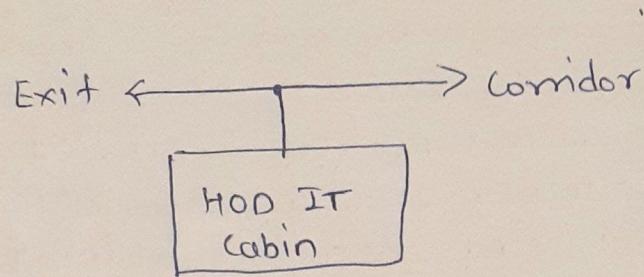
- vi) Goal test



- vii) Path cost : No. of actions to reach the workshop .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Path Cost} &= 8 \text{ directions} + 4 \text{ staircases} \\ &= 12 \end{aligned}$$

HOD IT Cabin → KMLE Workshop (solution)



goal state

State space

