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from queue import PriorityQueue
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# Goal configuration of the 8-puzzle
goal_state = [[1, 2, 3],
        [4, 5, 6],
        [7, 8, 0]
# Function to calculate the heuristic (Manhattan distance)
def calculate_heuristic(state):
  distance = 0
  for i in range(3):
    for j in range(3):
       if state[i][j] != 0:
         row = (state[i][j] - 1) // 3
         col = (state[i][j] - 1) \% 3
         distance += abs(i - row) + abs(j - col)
  return distance
# Function to get the possible moves for a given state
def get_possible_moves(state):
  moves = []
  for i in range(3):
    for j in range(3):
       if state[i][j] == 0:
         # Check possible moves: up, down, left, right
         if i > 0:
           moves.append((i - 1, j))
         if i < 2:
           moves.append((i + 1, j))
         if j > 0:
           moves.append((i, j - 1))
         if j < 2:
           moves.append((i, j + 1))
         return moves
# Function to perform the A* algorithm
def solve_puzzle(initial_state):
  visited = set()
  priority_queue = PriorityQueue()
  priority_queue.put((0, initial_state, 0)) # (priority, state, cost)
  while not priority_queue.empty():
    _, current_state, cost = priority_queue.get()
    visited.add(tuple(map(tuple, current_state))) # Convert state to tuple for hashing
    if current_state == goal_state:
       return current_state, cost
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moves = get_possible_moves(current_state)
    for move in moves:
       new_state = [row[:] for row in current_state] # Create a copy of the current state
       new_i, new_j = move
       zero_i, zero_j = find_zero_position(new_state)
       new_state[zero_i][zero_j], new_state[new_i][new_j] = new_state[new_i][new_j],
new_state[zero_i][zero_j]
       if tuple(map(tuple, new_state)) not in visited:
         priority = calculate_heuristic(new_state) + cost + 1
         priority_queue.put((priority, new_state, cost + 1))
  return None
# Helper function to find the position of zero (empty tile)
def find_zero_position(state):
  for i in range(3):
    for j in range(3):
       if state[i][j] == 0:
         return i, j
# Example usage
initial_state = [[1, 0, 3],
         [4, 2, 5],
         [7, 8, 6]]
result = solve_puzzle(initial_state)
if result:
  solution_state, cost = result
  print("Solution found!")
  print("Cost:", cost)
  print("Solution state:")
  for row in solution_state:
    print(row)
else:
  print("No solution found.")
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