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1 def print puzzle(arr):
 2
       print(20*'-')
 3
       for i in range(len(arr)):
 4
           print(arr[i],end =" ")
           if(i==2 \text{ or } i==5 \text{ or } i==8):
 5
 6
               print('')
 7
 8 def misplaced_elements(curr,goal):
9
       count = 0
       for i in range(len(goal)):
10
11
           if(goal[i]!=curr[i]):
12
               count +=1
13
       return count
14
15 def puzzle sol(current, goal, function value, Node number):
16
       print puzzle(current)
17
       if((current==goal)!=True):
18
           Node_number += 1
19
           index of empty = current.index(' ')
       #-----for Index 0-----
20
           if(index_of_empty == 0):
21
22
               arr1 = current.copy()
23
               arr1[1] = current[0]
24
               arr1[0] = current[1]
25
               c1 = Node number + misplaced elements(arr1,goal)
26
               if(c1<=function value):</pre>
27
                   function_value = c1
28
                   current = arr1.copy()
29
               arr3 = current.copy()
30
               arr3[3] = current[0]
               arr3[0] = current[3]
31
32
               c3 = Node_number + misplaced_elements(arr3,goal)
33
               if(c3<=function value):</pre>
34
                   function value = c3
35
                   current = arr3.copy()
36
37
               puzzle_sol(current,goal,function_value,Node_number)
38
       #-----for Index 1------
           elif(index_of_empty == 1):
39
40
               arr2 = current.copy()
               arr2[2] = current[1]
41
42
               arr2[1] = current[2]
43
               c2 = Node number + misplaced elements(arr2,goal)
44
               if(c2<=function_value):</pre>
45
                   function_value = c2
46
                   current = arr2.copy()
47
               arr4 = current.copy()
48
               arr4[4] = current[1]
49
               arr4[1] = current[4]
50
               c4 = Node_number + misplaced_elements(arr4,goal)
51
               if(c4<=function_value):</pre>
52
                   function value = c4
                   current = arr4.copy()
53
54
               arr0 = current.copy()
55
               arr0[0] = current[1]
56
               arr0[1] = current[0]
               c0 = Node_number + misplaced_elements(arr0,goal)
57
58
               if(c0<=function_value):</pre>
59
                   function value = c0
                   current = arr0.copy()
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puzzle_sol(current,goal,function_value,Node_number)
 61
 62
        #-----for Index 2-----
            elif(index of empty == 2):
 63
                arr5 = current.copy()
 64
 65
                arr5[5] = current[2]
 66
                arr5[2] = current[5]
 67
                c5 = Node number + misplaced elements(arr5,goal)
 68
                if(c5<=function value):</pre>
 69
                    function value = c5
 70
                    current = arr5.copy()
 71
                arr1 = current.copy()
 72
                arr1[1] = current[2]
 73
                arr1[2] = current[1]
 74
                c1 = Node_number + misplaced_elements(arr1,goal)
 75
                if(c1<=function value):</pre>
 76
                    function_value = c1
                    current = arr1.copy()
 77
 78
 79
                puzzle_sol(current,goal,function_value,Node_number)
 80
        #-----for Index 3-----
 81
            elif(index of empty == 3):
 82
                arr4 = current.copy()
                arr4[3] = current[4]
 83
 84
                arr4[4] = current[3]
 85
                c4 = Node number + misplaced elements(arr4,goal)
 86
                if(c4<=function value):</pre>
 87
                    function value = c4
 88
                    current = arr4.copy()
 89
                arr6 = current.copy()
 90
                arr6[3] = current[6]
 91
                arr6[6] = current[3]
                c6 = Node number + misplaced elements(arr6,goal)
 92
 93
                if(c6<=function value):</pre>
 94
                    function value = c6
 95
                    current = arr6.copy()
 96
                arr0 = current.copy()
 97
                arr0[3] = current[0]
 98
                arr0[0] = current[3]
 99
                c0 = Node_number + misplaced_elements(arr0,goal)
                if(c0<=function value):</pre>
100
                    function value = c0
101
102
                    current = arr0.copy()
103
                puzzle_sol(current,goal,function value,Node number)
        #-----for Index 4-----
104
105
            elif(index of empty == 4):
106
                arr5 = current.copy()
107
                arr5[4] = current[5]
                arr5[5] = current[4]
108
                c5 = Node number + misplaced elements(arr5,goal)
109
110
                if(c5<=function value):</pre>
111
                    function value = c5
112
                    current = arr5.copy()
113
                arr7 = current.copy()
114
                arr7[4] = current[7]
                arr7[7] = current[4]
115
116
                c7 = Node number + misplaced elements(arr7,goal)
                if(c7<=function value):</pre>
117
                    function_value = c7
118
                    current = arr7.copy()
119
                arr3 = current.copy()
120
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arr3[3] = current[4]
121
122
                arr3[4] = current[3]
                c3 = Node number + misplaced elements(arr3,goal)
123
                if(c3<=function value):</pre>
124
                    function value = c3
125
126
                    current = arr3.copy()
                arr1 = current.copy()
127
128
                arr1[1] = current[4]
129
                arr1[4] = current[1]
130
                c1 = Node number + misplaced elements(arr1,goal)
                if(c1<=function_value):</pre>
131
132
                    function value = c1
133
                    current = arr1.copy()
134
                puzzle_sol(current,goal,function_value,Node_number)
        #-----for Index 5-----
135
            elif(index_of_empty == 5):
136
                arr8 = current.copy()
137
138
                arr8[5] = current[8]
                arr8[8] = current[5]
139
                c8 = Node number + misplaced elements(arr8,goal)
140
141
                if(c8<=function value):</pre>
142
                    function value = c8
143
                    current = arr8.copy()
144
                arr4 = current.copy()
145
                arr4[4] = current[5]
146
                arr4[5] = current[4]
                c4 = Node number + misplaced elements(arr4,goal)
147
148
                if(c4<=function value):</pre>
                    function_value = c4
149
150
                    current = arr4.copy()
151
                arr2 = current.copy()
152
                arr2[5] = current[2]
153
                arr2[2] = current[5]
154
                c2 = Node number + misplaced elements(arr2,goal)
                if(c2<=function value):</pre>
155
                    function value = c2
156
157
                    current = arr2.copy()
158
                puzzle_sol(current,goal,function_value,Node_number)
159
        #-----for Index 6-----
            elif(index of empty == 6):
160
                arr7 = current.copy()
161
162
                arr7[7] = current[6]
                arr7[6] = current[7]
163
                c7 = Node number + misplaced elements(arr7,goal)
164
                if(c7<=function value):</pre>
165
166
                    function value = c7
167
                    current = arr7.copy()
                arr3 = current.copy()
168
                arr3[3] = current[6]
169
170
                arr3[6] = current[3]
                c3 = Node number + misplaced elements(arr3,goal)
171
172
                if(c3<=function value):</pre>
173
                    function_value = c3
174
                    current = arr3.copy()
175
                puzzle_sol(current,goal,function_value,Node_number)
        #-----for Index 7------
176
177
            elif(index_of_empty == 7):
                arr8 = current.copy()
178
179
                arr8[7] = current[8]
                arr8[8] = current[7]
180
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223 current = [1,2,3,'_',4,6,7,5,8]

224 final_hx = misplaced_elements(current,goal)
225 function value = Node number + final hx

226 puzzle sol(current, goal, function value, Node number)

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