

ASSIGNMENT 1

Task 1

(a)

 $\langle R, M, C \rangle$

R represents river side ← starting (1)
 M represents missionaries ← ending (2)
 C represents cannibals

Two sides of river

 $\langle 1, 3, 3 \rangle \langle 2, 0, 0 \rangle$

Initial state

 \downarrow
 $\langle 1, 3, 1 \rangle \langle 2, 0, 2 \rangle$ \downarrow
 $\langle 1, 3, 2 \rangle \langle 2, 0, 1 \rangle$ \downarrow
 $\langle 1, 3, 0 \rangle \langle 2, 0, 3 \rangle$ \downarrow
 $\langle 1, 3, 1 \rangle \langle 2, 0, 2 \rangle$ \downarrow
 $\langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle \langle 2, 2, 2 \rangle$ \downarrow
 $\langle 1, 2, 2 \rangle \langle 2, 1, 1 \rangle$ \downarrow
 $\langle 1, 0, 2 \rangle \langle 2, 3, 1 \rangle$ \downarrow
 $\langle 1, 0, 3 \rangle \langle 2, 3, 0 \rangle$ \downarrow
 $\langle 1, 0, 2 \rangle \langle 2, 3, 1 \rangle$

\downarrow
 $\langle 1, 0, 1 \rangle \langle 2, 3, 2 \rangle$

\downarrow
 $\boxed{\langle 1, 0, 0 \rangle \langle 2, 3, 3 \rangle}$

Goal state

(b)

we can use Search Algorithm \downarrow for this problem is Breadth First Search (BFS) because it guarantees the shortest path. Checking for repeated states is necessary to avoid infinite loop in certain search algo. BFS avoid revisiting state and exploring each state once and offers shortest path.

(c)

The difficulty lies in the constraints and to think ahead to avoid leaving missionaries outnumbered by cannibals on either side. It requires logical thinking, planning and attention to detail to ensure that solution is valid.

on each step.

TASK 2

Playing Soccer :-

Performance :-

Score more goals
than opponent in time
(Adversarial, [↑]observable)
Partially

Environment :-

Field, opponents,
teammates, ball, weather
(Dynamic, Continuous)

Actuators :-

Kicking, running, jumping
(continuous)

Sensors :-

Vision, hearing, ball
location, body positioning
and movement.

Exploring the Subsurface oceans of Titan:

Performance :-

Scientific data about the composition and potential life forms.
(Non-Adversarial, Partially observable)

Environment :-

High pressure, low temp.
unknown chemicals and lifeforms
(Extreme, Unknown)

Actuators :-

submersible vehicle, instruments for collecting data.
(Discrete)

Sensors :-

cameras, Sonar
chemical, pressure sensors.
(Limited)

Shopping for used AI Books :

Performance :-

Find and purchase
(Non-Adversarial, Partially
observable)

Environment :-

online marketplace,
price and description
(Dynamic, Discrete)

Actuators :-

Typing search queries,
clicking buttons,
(Discrete)

Sensors :-

Textual info.
(Limited)

Playing a Tennis Match :-

Performance :-

Score & more
points to win
(Adversarial, ~~Parti~~ observable)
Partially

Environment :-

Tennis court,
opponent, balls
(Dynamic, continuous)

Actuators :-

Swinging racket
(continuous)

Sensors :-

Vision
(Proprioception)

**Practicing Tennis ball against
a wall :**

Performance :-

Improved skills
(Non-Adversarial, Fully
observable)

Environment :-

wall, balls, ~~racket~~
(Static, Discrete)

Actuators :-

racket, moving around
(continuous)

Sensors :- Vision
(Proprioception)

Performing a High Jump :-

Performance :-

Jump over a bar
(Non Adversarial, Fully observable)

Environment :-

Open Space runway,
bar
(Static, Discrete)

Actuators

Running, Jumping
(Discrete)

Sensors Vision
(Proprioception)

Knitting a Sweater :-

Performance :-

Design, Size
(Non-Adversarial, Fully observable)

Environment :-

knitting needles, yarn,
pattern
(static, Discrete)

Actuators

Hands using needles
and yarn
(~~Non-adversarial~~, Fully observable)
(Discrete)

↳ Sensors :- vision
(Touch)

Bidding an Item :-

Performance :-

Win auction for
desired item in lowest price
(Adversarial, Partially observable)

Environment :-

Auction platform,
auctioneers, bidder
(Dynamic, Discrete)

Actuators :- Entering bidding
Amounts
(Discrete)

Sensors:

Textual information
(Limited)

Task 3

1) Factors

Heuristic Design :-

The chosen heuristic function might prioritize specific tile movement, leading to a path that reaches a seemingly good configuration but not optimal.

Example :-

A heuristic focusing on minimizing might lead to state where one tile need swapping but it might block further progress.

Initial State :-

If the initial state random starting configuration is challenging ~~the~~ it can get stuck regardless of heuristic

Deterministic moves :-

If the robot always prioritizes a specific "best" neighbouring state based on heuristic, it might miss alternative paths that leads to better solution.

2) Modification for Improvements :-

Introduce Randomness :-

Implement a small chance of the robot exploring a non-optimal neighbouring state even if it has a lower heuristic score.

Restart Strategy :-

Implement a mechanism to restart the search process from a new random configuration if the robot gets stuck for certain number of moves.

3) Methods

- Number of misplaced tiles :-

This is a basic measure of how far the current state is from goal.

- Distances from Goal Positions :-

This penalizes states where tiles are not only misplaced but also far from correct position.

- Empty Tile Position :-

Considering the position of the empty tile relative to misplaced tiles can help prioritize moves that open up pathways for further movement.