

Heuristic Analysis

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Overview

We used PDDL and search for solving the real-life inspired air cargo shipping. In this paper, there is analysis of both heuristic search and non-heuristic search and comparison between these methods for solving the problems presented. Additionally, it includes the specifics of using depth first search, breadth first search, uniformcost search and A* search. From this comparison we will determine which search is optimal, the effect of heuristic-driven search on the computational expenditure, and whether A* with the levelsum heuristic search consistently outperforms all other methods. All of our analysis will be based on data, which can be found in the "Data" section.

Optimal Plan

Heuristic-search vs. Non-heuristic search Performance

Non-Heuristic Search Comparison

1. P1

- (a) breadth first search-It came up with the optimal plan length in the least amount of computation time. That's because the amount of nodes, goal tests and expansions were lower than that of uniform cost search.
- (b) depth first search-It took the shortest amount of time to run yet the plan length was longest. It just goes through the entire search space indiscriminately and ends up picking actions that are recursive. Such as flying the airplanes back and forth between airports without no purpose. It has no memory storage of frontier and explored so it runs fast.
- (c) uniform cost search-It came up with the optimal plan length albeit more expensive than breadth first search. Intuitively, it searches for paths with least cost rather than least number of steps, therefore it results in more redundant paths being explored before reaching the goal.

2. P2

- (a) breadth first search-
- (b) depth first search-
- (c) uniform cost search-

3. P3

- (a) breadth first search-

- (b) depth first search-
- (c) uniform cost search-

Heuristic Search Comparison

- 1. Ignore Preconditions-
- 2. Levelsum-

A* search with level-sum Heuristic as Optimal Planning Search

Results from analysis above. Background on heuristic and intuition why it is better than non-heuristic search planning methods for all problems

Data

ACP1 using breadth first search

Expansions	Goal Tests	New Nodes
43	56	180

Plan length: 6 Time elapsed in seconds: 0.026820736686953884

Load(C1, P1, SF0)
 Load(C2, P2, JFK)
 Fly(P2, JFK, SF0)
 Unload(C2, P2, SF0)
 Fly(P1, SF0, JFK)
 Unload(C1, P1, JFK)

ACP1 using depth first search

Expansions	Goal Tests	New Nodes
21	22	84

Plan length: 20 Time elapsed in seconds: 0.012762258721975783

Fly(P1, SF0, JFK)
 Fly(P2, JFK, SF0)
 Load(C2, P1, JFK)
 Fly(P1, JFK, SF0)
 Fly(P2, SF0, JFK)
 Unload(C2, P1, SF0)
 Fly(P1, SF0, JFK)
 Fly(P2, JFK, SF0)

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Load(C2, P2, SF0)
Fly(P1, JFK, SF0)
Load(C1, P2, SF0)
Fly(P2, SF0, JFK)
Fly(P1, SF0, JFK)
Unload(C2, P2, JFK)
Unload(C1, P2, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, SF0)
Load(C2, P1, JFK)
Fly(P1, JFK, SF0)
Fly(P2, SF0, JFK)
Unload(C2, P1, SF0)

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Air Cargo Problem 1 using uniform cost search

Expansions	Goal Tests	New Nodes
55	57	224

Plan length: 6 Time elapsed in seconds: 0.030471730713625814

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Load(C1, P1, SF0)
Load(C2, P2, JFK)
Fly(P1, SF0, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, SF0)
Unload(C1, P1, JFK)
Unload(C2, P2, SF0)

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ACP1 using A* with Ignore Preconditions

Expansions	Goal Tests	New Nodes
41	43	170

Plan length: 6 Time elapsed in seconds: 0.023959604222938413

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Load(C1, P1, SF0)
Fly(P1, SF0, JFK)
Unload(C1, P1, JFK)
Load(C2, P2, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, SF0)
Unload(C2, P2, SF0)

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Air Cargo Problem 1 using astar search with h pg levelsum

Expansions	Goal Tests	New Nodes
11	13	50

Plan length: 6 Time elapsed in seconds: 0.4048636430954109
 Load(C1, P1, SFO)
 Fly(P1, SFO, JFK)
 Load(C2, P2, JFK)
 Fly(P2, JFK, SFO)
 Unload(C1, P1, JFK)
 Unload(C2, P2, SFO)

Air Cargo Problem 2 using breadth first search

Expansions	Goal Tests	New Nodes
3346	4612	30534

Plan length: 9 Time elapsed in seconds: 10.861962171273017
 Load(C1, P1, SFO)
 Load(C2, P2, JFK)
 Load(C3, P3, ATL)
 Fly(P1, SFO, JFK)
 Unload(C1, P1, JFK)
 Fly(P2, JFK, SFO)
 Unload(C2, P2, SFO)
 Fly(P3, ATL, SFO)
 Unload(C3, P3, SFO)

Air Cargo Problem 2 using depth first graph search

Expansions	Goal Tests	New Nodes
107	108	959

Plan length: 105 Time elapsed in seconds: 0.258578813374049
 Fly(P3, ATL, JFK)
 Fly(P2, JFK, ATL)
 Fly(P3, JFK, SFO)
 Fly(P2, ATL, SFO)
 Fly(P1, SFO, ATL)
 Fly(P3, SFO, ATL)
 Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
 Fly(P3, ATL, JFK)
 Load(C2, P3, JFK)
 Fly(P3, JFK, ATL)
 Fly(P1, JFK, ATL)
 Fly(P3, ATL, SFO)

Fly(P1, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P2, SFO, ATL)
Fly(P3, SFO, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Unload(C2, P3, ATL)
Fly(P3, ATL, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, ATL)
Fly(P3, JFK, SFO)
Fly(P2, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P1, SFO, ATL)
Fly(P3, SFO, JFK)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Load(C1, P2, SFO)
Fly(P3, JFK, ATL)
Fly(P1, JFK, ATL)
Fly(P2, SFO, ATL)
Fly(P3, ATL, JFK)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Fly(P1, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P3, JFK, ATL)
Unload(C1, P2, JFK)
Fly(P3, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P2, JFK, ATL)
Fly(P1, SFO, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Fly(P3, SFO, ATL)
Fly(P2, SFO, ATL)
Fly(P3, ATL, JFK)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Load(C1, P3, JFK)
Fly(P3, JFK, ATL)
Fly(P2, JFK, ATL)
Fly(P3, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P1, JFK, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Load(C3, P1, ATL)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, ATL)
Fly(P1, JFK, SFO)
Fly(P2, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P3, SFO, ATL)
Fly(P1, SFO, ATL)
Fly(P3, ATL, JFK)

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Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Unload(C3, P1, JFK)
Fly(P3, JFK, ATL)
Fly(P1, JFK, ATL)
Fly(P3, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P1, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P2, SFO, ATL)
Fly(P3, SFO, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Fly(P3, ATL, JFK)
Fly(P1, SFO, ATL)
Fly(P2, JFK, ATL)
Unload(C1, P3, JFK)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Fly(P3, JFK, ATL)
Fly(P1, JFK, ATL)
Fly(P3, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P1, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P2, JFK, ATL)
Fly(P3, SFO, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P3, ATL, JFK)
Load(C3, P3, JFK)
Fly(P3, JFK, ATL)
Fly(P2, SFO, ATL)
Fly(P3, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Fly(P1, SFO, ATL)
Fly(P2, JFK, SFO)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Unload(C3, P3, SFO)
Fly(P1, JFK, SFO)
Fly(P3, SFO, ATL)
Fly(P2, SFO, ATL)
Fly(P3, ATL, JFK)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Fly(P1, SFO, ATL)
Fly(P3, JFK, ATL)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Load(C2, P3, ATL)
Fly(P3, ATL, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, ATL)
Fly(P1, JFK, ATL)

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Fly(P2, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P1, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P3, JFK, SFO)
Fly(P2, SFO, ATL)
Unload(C2, P3, SFO)

Solving Air Cargo Problem 2 using uniform cost search

Expansions	Goal Tests	New Nodes
4853	4855	44041

Plan length: 9 Time elapsed in seconds: 9.275755481427675

Load(C1, P1, SFO)
Load(C2, P2, JFK)
Load(C3, P3, ATL)
Fly(P1, SFO, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, SFO)
Fly(P3, ATL, SFO)
Unload(C3, P3, SFO)
Unload(C2, P2, SFO)
Unload(C1, P1, JFK)

Air Cargo Problem 2 using astarsearch with ignore pre-conditions

Expansions	Goal Tests	New Nodes
1450	1452	13303

Plan length: 9 Time elapsed in seconds: 3.310493169813185

Load(C3, P3, ATL)
Fly(P3, ATL, SFO)
Unload(C3, P3, SFO)
Load(C2, P2, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, SFO)
Unload(C2, P2, SFO)
Load(C1, P1, SFO)
Fly(P1, SFO, JFK)
Unload(C1, P1, JFK)

Air Cargo Problem 2 using A* search with levelsum

Expansions	Goal Tests	New Nodes
86	88	841

Plan length: 9 Time elapsed in seconds: 42.71138670070594

Load(C1, P1, SFO)


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Fly(P1, SFO, JFK)
Load(C2, P2, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, SFO)
Load(C3, P3, ATL)
Fly(P3, ATL, SFO)
Unload(C3, P3, SFO)
Unload(C2, P2, SFO)
Unload(C1, P1, JFK)

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Air Cargo Problem 3 using breadth first search

Expansions	Goal Tests	New Nodes
14120	17673	124926

Plan length: 12 Time elapsed in seconds: 94.91550561718513

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Load(C1, P1, SFO)
Load(C2, P2, JFK)
Fly(P1, SFO, ATL)
Load(C3, P1, ATL)
Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)
Load(C4, P2, ORD)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Unload(C1, P1, JFK)
Unload(C3, P1, JFK)
Fly(P2, ORD, SFO)
Unload(C2, P2, SFO)
Unload(C4, P2, SFO)

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Air Cargo Problem 3 using depth first graph search

Expansions	Goal Tests	New Nodes
292	293	2388

Plan length: 288 Time elapsed in seconds: 1.1553460228354595

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Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P1, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Load(C2, P1, JFK)
Fly(P1, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P2, SFO, ORD)

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Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Unload(C2, P1, SFO)
Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P1, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Load(C2, P2, SFO)
Fly(P1, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P2, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ATL, SFO)
Unload(C2, P2, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, ORD)
Fly(P1, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, JFK)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, JFK, SFO)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Load(C1, P2, SFO)
Fly(P1, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P2, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Unload(C1, P2, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P1, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Load(C1, P1, JFK)
Fly(P1, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P2, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Load(C3, P2, ATL)

Fly(P2, ATL, ORD)
Fly(P1, ATL, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, JFK)
Fly(P1, ORD, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, SFO)
Fly(P1, JFK, SFO)
Unload(C3, P2, SFO)
Fly(P2, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P1, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Unload(C1, P1, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P1, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P1, ATL, SFO)
Load(C3, P2, SFO)
Fly(P2, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P1, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, JFK)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Unload(C3, P2, JFK)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P1, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ORD, SFO)
Load(C2, P2, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, ORD)
Fly(P1, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, JFK)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, JFK, SFO)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Unload(C2, P2, SFO)
Fly(P1, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P2, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ATL, SFO)

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Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Load(C3, P2, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P1, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Unload(C3, P2, SFO)
Fly(P1, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P2, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Load(C3, P1, SFO)
Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P1, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, SFO)
Unload(C3, P1, ATL)
Fly(P1, ATL, ORD)
Fly(P2, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P1, ORD, JFK)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, JFK, SFO)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Load(C2, P1, SFO)
Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P1, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ORD, JFK)
Fly(P2, ATL, SFO)
Unload(C2, P1, JFK)
Fly(P1, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P2, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Load(C2, P2, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P1, SFO, ORD)

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Load(C4, P2, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, SFO)
Fly(P1, JFK, SFO)
Unload(C4, P2, SFO)
Fly(P2, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P1, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Unload(C2, P2, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P1, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P1, ATL, SFO)
Load(C4, P2, SFO)
Fly(P2, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P1, SFO, JFK)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Unload(C4, P2, JFK)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, JFK, SFO)
Load(C3, P2, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, ORD)
Fly(P1, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, JFK)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, JFK, SFO)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Unload(C3, P2, SFO)
Fly(P1, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P2, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)

Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Load(C4, P2, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P1, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Unload(C4, P2, SFO)
Fly(P1, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P2, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Load(C4, P1, SFO)
Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P1, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, SFO)
Unload(C4, P1, ATL)
Fly(P1, ATL, ORD)
Fly(P2, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P1, ORD, JFK)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, JFK, SFO)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Load(C3, P1, SFO)
Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P1, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Unload(C3, P1, JFK)
Fly(P1, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P2, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)

Load(C3, P2, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P1, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Load(C4, P2, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, ORD)
Fly(P1, ATL, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, SFO)
Fly(P1, ORD, SFO)
Fly(P2, SFO, JFK)
Fly(P1, SFO, JFK)
Unload(C3, P2, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P1, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, SFO)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Unload(C4, P2, SFO)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Fly(P2, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P1, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ORD, SFO)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Load(C4, P1, SFO)
Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P1, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ORD, JFK)
Fly(P2, ATL, SFO)
Unload(C4, P1, JFK)
Fly(P1, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P2, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Load(C2, P2, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P1, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)

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Unload(C2, P2, SFO)
Fly(P1, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P2, SFO, ORD)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P2, ATL, JFK)
Load(C4, P2, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P1, SFO, JFK)
Fly(P2, ORD, ATL)
Fly(P1, JFK, ORD)
Fly(P2, ATL, SFO)
Fly(P1, ORD, ATL)
Unload(C4, P2, SFO)

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Air Cargo Problem 3 using uniform cost search

Expansions	Goal Tests	New Nodes
18234	18236	159707

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Plan length: 12  Time elapsed in seconds: 52.293134551506725
Load(C1, P1, SFO)
Load(C2, P2, JFK)
Fly(P1, SFO, ATL)
Load(C3, P1, ATL)
Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)
Load(C4, P2, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, SFO)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Unload(C4, P2, SFO)
Unload(C3, P1, JFK)
Unload(C2, P2, SFO)
Unload(C1, P1, JFK)

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Air Cargo Problem 3 using A* search with ignore preconditions

Expansions	Goal Tests	New Nodes
5040	5042	44944

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Plan length: 12  Time elapsed in seconds: 16.202921077314755
Load(C2, P2, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)

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Load(C4, P2, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, SFO)
Unload(C4, P2, SFO)
Load(C1, P1, SFO)
Fly(P1, SFO, ATL)
Load(C3, P1, ATL)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Unload(C3, P1, JFK)
Unload(C2, P2, SFO)
Unload(C1, P1, JFK)
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Air Cargo Problem 3 using A* search with levelsum

Expansions	Goal Tests	New Nodes
313	315	2881

Plan length: 12 Time elapsed in seconds: 207.9568407653194

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Load(C2, P2, JFK)
Fly(P2, JFK, ORD)
Load(C4, P2, ORD)
Fly(P2, ORD, SFO)
Load(C1, P1, SFO)
Fly(P1, SFO, ATL)
Load(C3, P1, ATL)
Fly(P1, ATL, JFK)
Unload(C4, P2, SFO)
Unload(C3, P1, JFK)
Unload(C2, P2, SFO)
Unload(C1, P1, JFK)
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