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1. Define the problem as state space search (initial state, goal states, and operators)

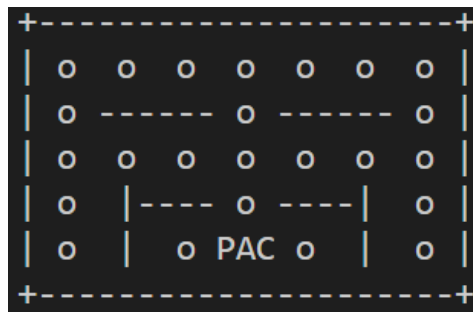
This Pac-Man game is a 5x7 maze consisting of pellets, walls and Pac-Man ofcourse. Pac-Man can move to spaces to eat pellets, but he cannot move to a space without a pellet, he cannot move diagonally and cannot go over walls. The objective of this game is to find a path for Pac-Man to eat as many pellets as possible according to the rules.

States:

A state in this problem represents where the Pac-Man is currently legally positioned and how many pellets have been eaten.

Initial State:

Initial state represents the start of the game where Pac-Man has not moved or ate any pellets.



Goal States:

Goal state represents the state where Pac-Man eats as many pellets as possible legally. There could be multiple goal states in this problem.

Operators:

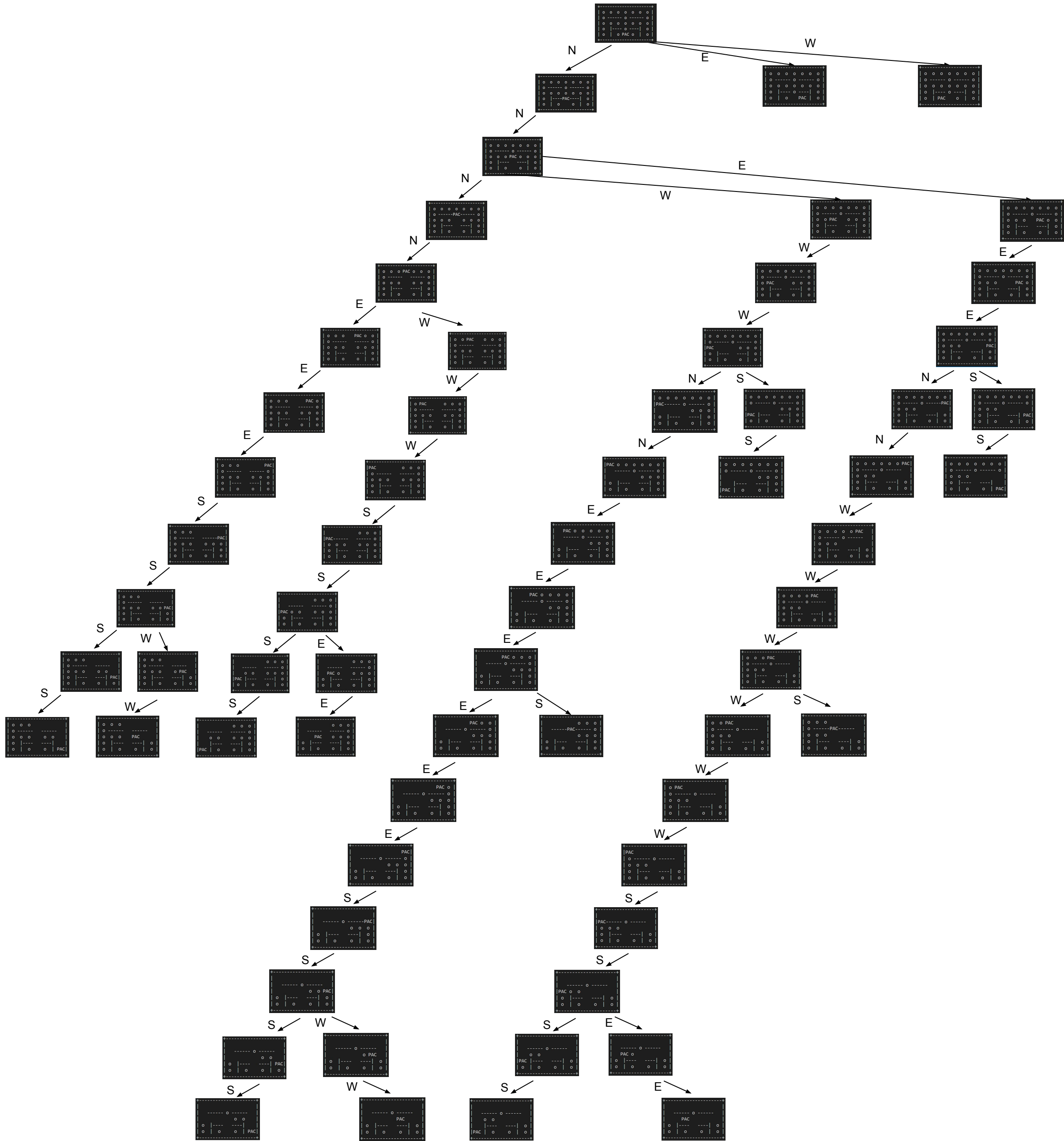
N: Pac-Man moves North/Up to eat a pellet.

E: Pac-Man moves East/Right to eat a pellet.

S: Pac-Man moves South/Down to eat a pellet.

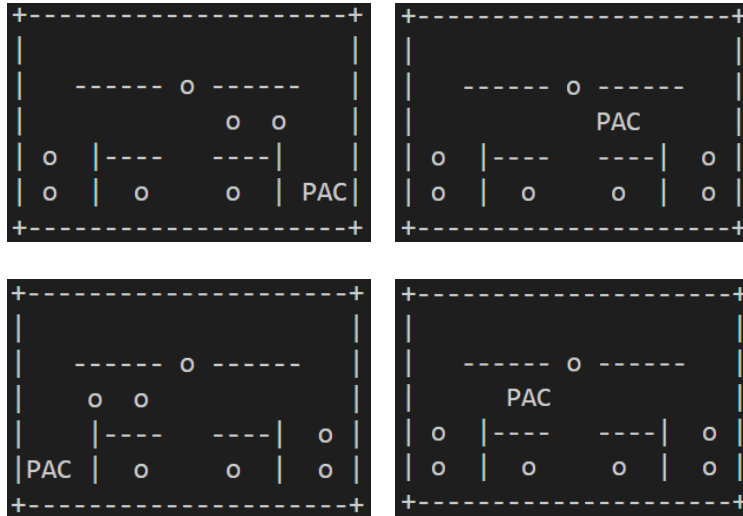
W: Pac-Man moves West/Left to eat a pellet.

2. Draw the complete state space



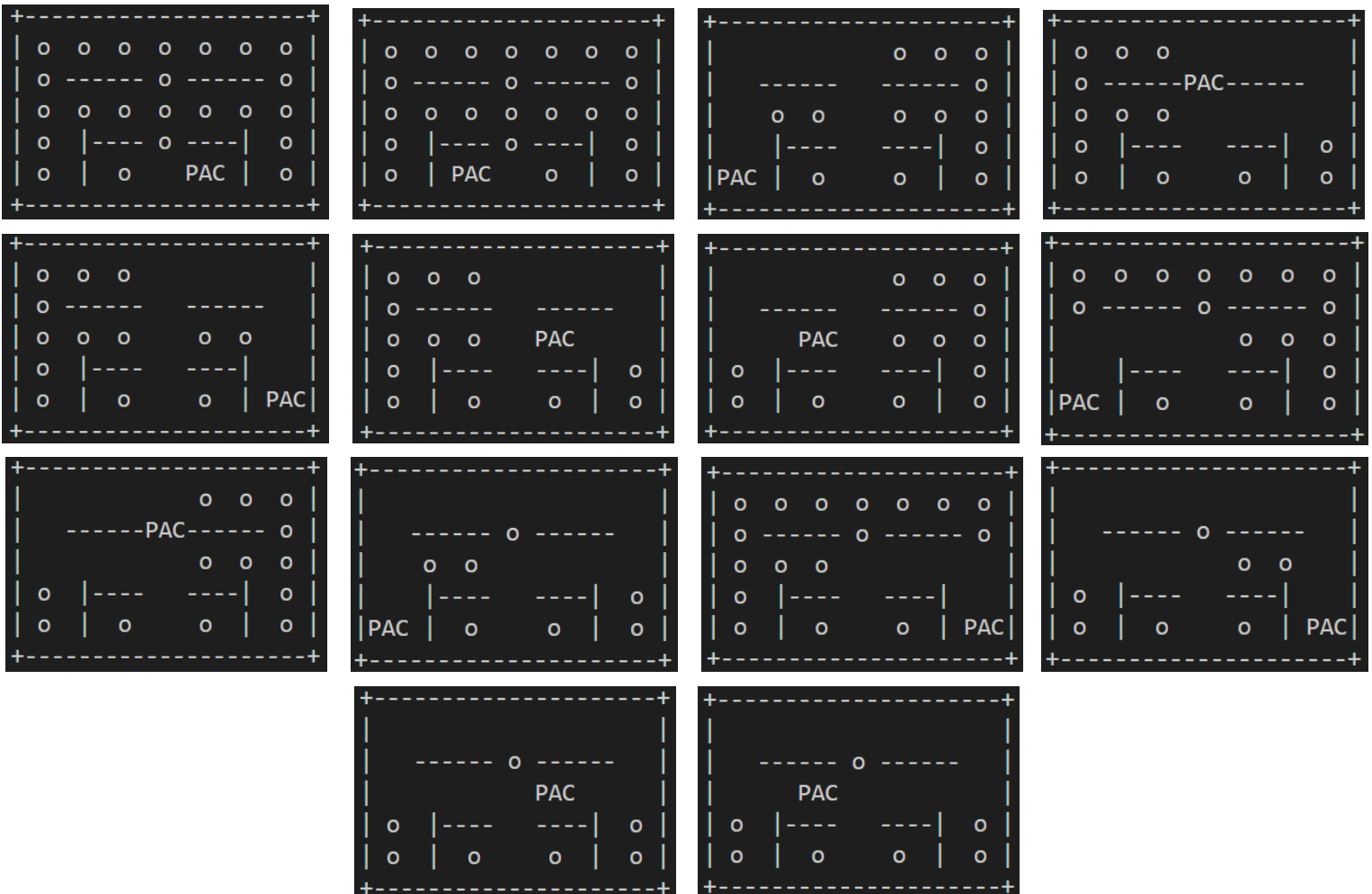
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State Space Numbers:

Size of state space:

- Total number of States: **65**
- Total number of Arcs: **64**

Number of solutions with fewest remaining pellets in the maze: **4**

Number of terminal states: **14**