
Algorithm 1 Recursive Best First Search Algorithm

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1: function RECURSIVE-BEST-FIRST-SEARCH(problem) returns a solution, or failure
2:   return RBFS(problem, MAKE-NODE(problem.INITIAL-STATE),  $\infty$ )
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6: function RBFS(problem, node, f_limit) returns a solution, or failure and a new f-cost limit
7:   if problem.GOAL-TEST(node.STATE) then return SOLUTION(node)
8:   successors  $\leftarrow$  [ ]
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10:  for each action in problem.ACTIONS(node.STATE) do
11:    successors.APPEND(CHILD-NODE(problem, node, action))
12:  if successors =  $\emptyset$  then return failure,  $\infty$ 
13:  for each successor in successors do
14:    successor.f  $\leftarrow$  max(successor.g + successor.h, node.f)
15:  loop do
16:    best  $\leftarrow$  the lowest f-value node in successors
17:    if best.f > f_limit then return failure, best.f
18:
19:    alternative  $\leftarrow$  the second lowest f-value among successors
20:    result, best.f  $\leftarrow$  RBFS(problem, best, min(f_limit, alternative))
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22:    if result  $\neq$  failure then return result
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