

# FAI LAB 02b

## Uninformed Search

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You can find the **code** of the lab sessions on GitHub:

<https://github.com/paolomorettin/FAI-code>

# Problem-solving agents

- a kind of **goal/utility-oriented** agents
- **atomic** representations of the states
- if the environment is
  - fully observable
  - deterministic
  - static

...we can plan once and execute the actions sequentially without checking their effect on the environment (**open-loop** system)

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- graphical representation of the **search space**:
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  - one or more goal states
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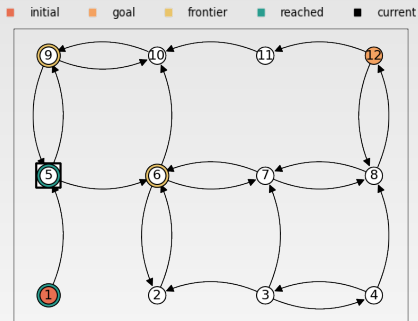
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## Search algorithms:

- computer programs that explore of the search space by building a **search tree/DAG**
- the nodes in this structure is **explicitly** encoded in memory
- **REMEMBER!** **state**  $\neq$  **node** (in the search T/DAG)

# Uninformed search algorithms

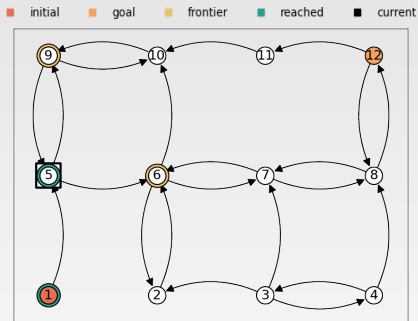
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# Uninformed search algorithms

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- **tree-like vs. graph-like search**: can states be visited multiple times? → extra memory cost!
- **FRONTIER**: partition states into explored/unexplored
- **REACHED**: states that were explored at some point



# Best-first search

```
function BEST-FIRST-SEARCH(problem, f) returns a solution node or failure  
  node  $\leftarrow$  NODE(STATE=problem.INITIAL)  
  frontier  $\leftarrow$  a priority queue ordered by f, with node as an element  
  reached  $\leftarrow$  a lookup table, with one entry with key problem.INITIAL and value node  
  while not IS-EMPTY(frontier) do  
    node  $\leftarrow$  POP(frontier)  
    if problem.IS-GOAL(node.STATE) then return node  
    for each child in EXPAND(problem, node) do  
      s  $\leftarrow$  child.STATE  
      if s is not in reached or child.PATH-COST < reached[s].PATH-COST then  
        reached[s]  $\leftarrow$  child  
        add child to frontier  
  return failure
```

```
function EXPAND(problem, node) yields nodes  
  s  $\leftarrow$  node.STATE  
  for each action in problem.ACTIONS(s) do  
    s'  $\leftarrow$  problem.RESULT(s, action)  
    cost  $\leftarrow$  node.PATH-COST + problem.ACTION-COST(s, action, s')  
    yield NODE(STATE=s', PARENT=node, ACTION=action, PATH-COST=cost)
```

# Best-first search as a template

**function** UNIFORM-COST-SEARCH(*problem*) **returns** a solution node, or *failure*  
**return** BEST-FIRST-SEARCH(*problem*, PATH-COST)

**function** BREADTH-FIRST SEARCH(*problem*) **returns** a solution node, or *failure*  
**return** BEST-FIRST-SEARCH(*problem*, DEPTH )

**function** DEPTH-FIRST SEARCH (*problem*) **returns** a solution node, or *failure*  
**return** BEST-FIRST-SEARCH(*problem*, - DEPTH )

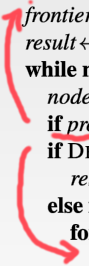
# Breadth-first search

```
function BREADTH-FIRST-SEARCH(problem) returns a solution node or failure  
  node  $\leftarrow$  NODE(problem.INITIAL)  
  if problem.IS-GOAL(node.STATE) then return node  
  frontier  $\leftarrow$  a FIFO queue, with node as an element  
  reached  $\leftarrow$  {problem.INITIAL}  
  while not IS-EMPTY(frontier) do  
    node  $\leftarrow$  POP(frontier)  
    for each child in EXPAND(problem, node) do  
      s  $\leftarrow$  child.STATE  
      if problem.IS-GOAL(s) then return child  
      if s is not in reached then  
        add s to reached  
        add child to frontier  
  return failure
```

# Depth-first and iterative deepening

**function** ITERATIVE-DEEPENING-SEARCH(*problem*) **returns** a solution node or *failure*  
  **for** *depth* = 0 **to**  $\infty$  **do**  
    *result*  $\leftarrow$  DEPTH-LIMITED-SEARCH(*problem*, *depth*)  
    **if** *result*  $\neq$  *cutoff* **then return** *result*

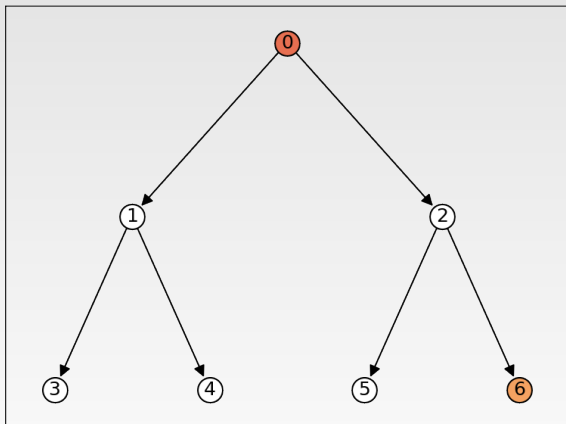
**function** DEPTH-LIMITED-SEARCH(*problem*,  $\ell$ ) **returns** a node or *failure* or *cutoff*  
  *frontier*  $\leftarrow$  a LIFO queue (stack) with NODE(*problem*.INITIAL) as an element  
  *result*  $\leftarrow$  *failure*  
  **while not** IS-EMPTY(*frontier*) **do**  
    *node*  $\leftarrow$  POP(*frontier*)  
    **if** *problem*.IS-GOAL(*node*.STATE) **then return** *node*  
    **if** DEPTH(*node*) >  $\ell$  **then**  
      *result*  $\leftarrow$  *cutoff*  
    **else if not** IS-CYCLE(*node*) **do**  
      **for each** *child* **in** EXPAND(*problem*, *node*) **do**  
        add *child* to *frontier*  
  **return** *result*



R&N 4th ed. check *after* inserting nodes in *frontier*.

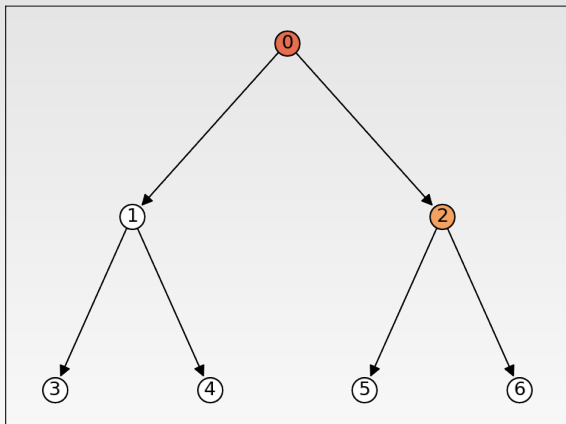
**We stick to the previous version.**

# Quick questions 1



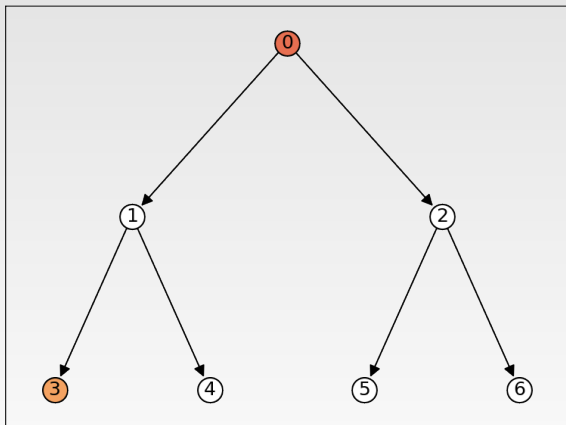
**1.1)** BFS? **1.2)** DFS? **1.3)** Uniform-cost?

## Quick questions 2



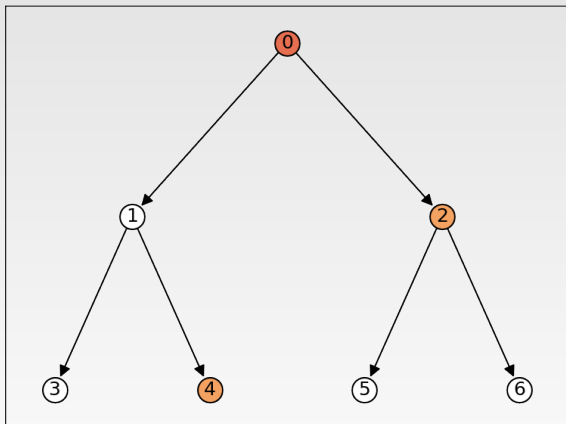
2.1) BFS? 2.2) DFS? 2.3) Uniform-cost?

## Quick questions 3



**3.1)** BFS? **3.2)** DFS? **3.3)** Uniform-cost?

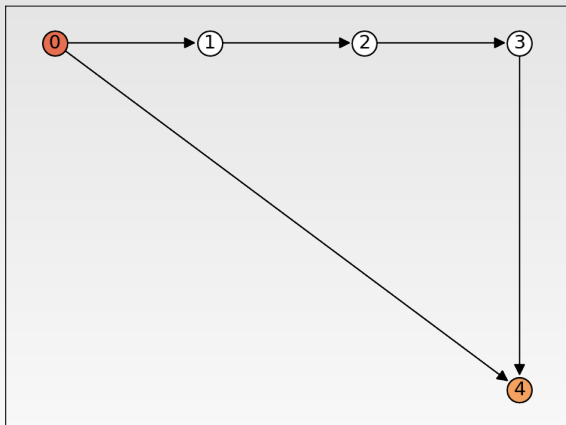
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4.1) BFS? 4.2) DFS? 4.3) Uniform-cost?

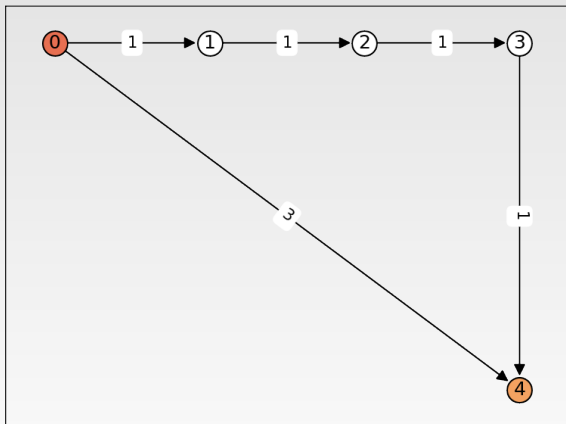


## Quick questions 5



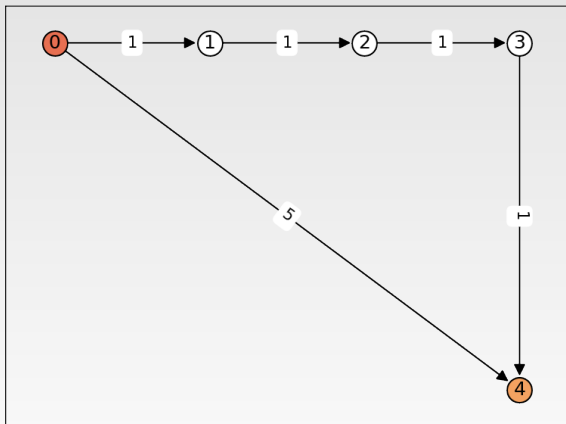
**5.1)** BFS? **5.2)** DFS? **5.3)** Uniform-cost?

## Quick questions 6



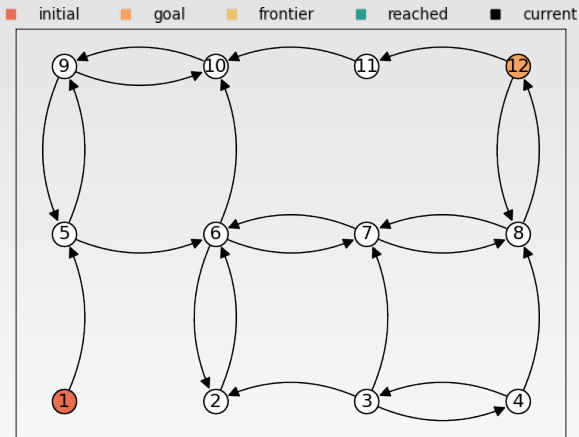
**6.1)** BFS? **6.2)** DFS? **6.3)** Uniform-cost?

## Quick questions 7



7.1) BFS? 7.2) DFS? 7.3) Uniform-cost?

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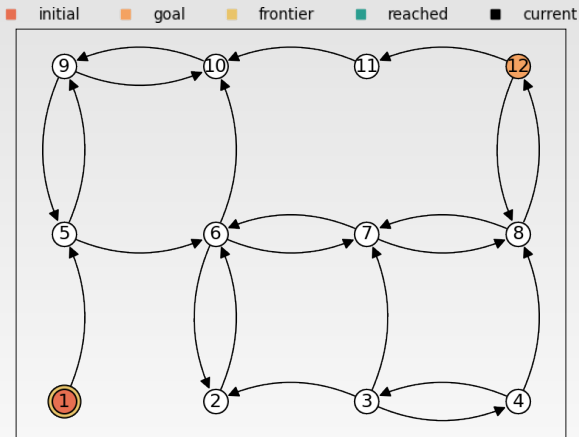


Iteration: -, Current:

Frontier: 

Reached:  $\{\}$

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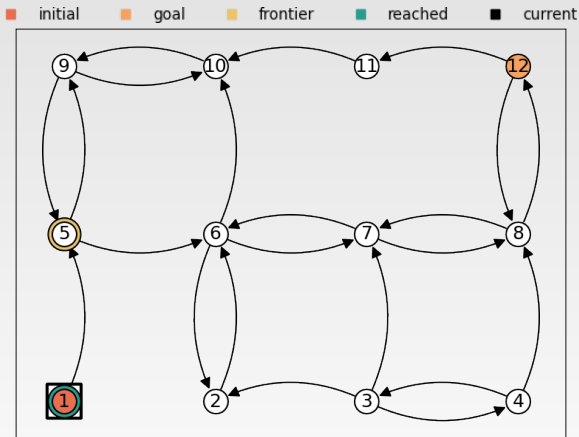


Iteration: 1, Current:

Frontier: [1]

Reached:  $\{1\}$

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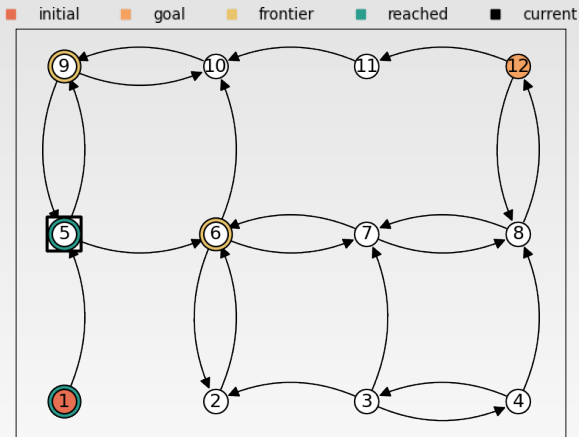


Iteration: 2, Current: 1

Frontier: [5]

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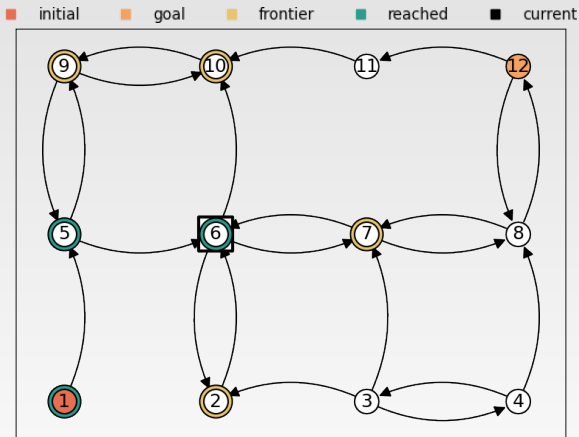


Iteration: 3, Current: 5

Frontier: [6, 9]

Reached:  $\{1, 5, 6, 9\}$

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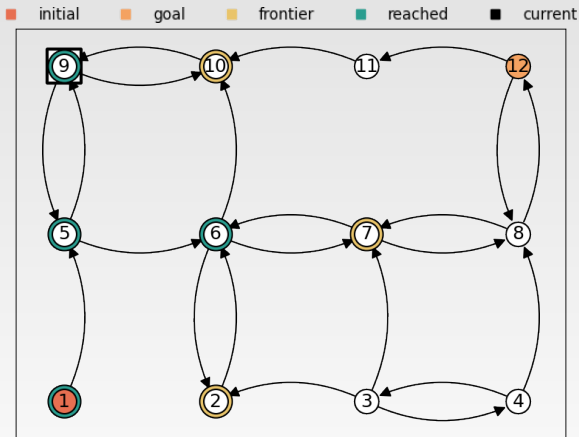
Iteration: 4, Current: 6

Frontier: [9, 2, 7, 10]

Reached: {1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10}



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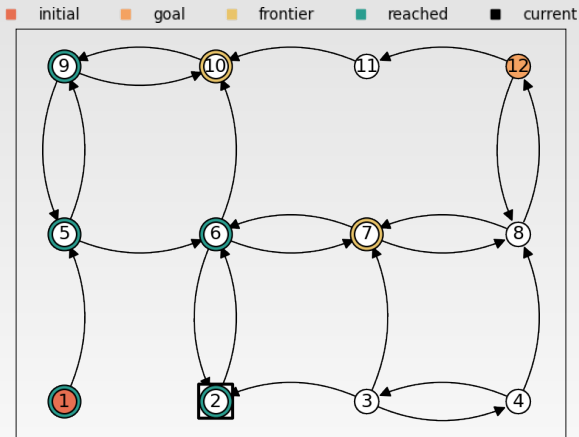


Iteration: 5, Current: 9

Frontier: [2, 7, 10]

Reached:  $\{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10\}$

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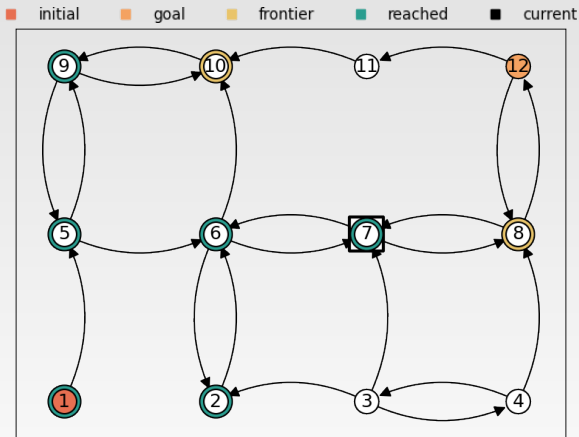


Iteration: 6, Current: 2

Frontier: [7, 10]

Reached:  $\{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10\}$

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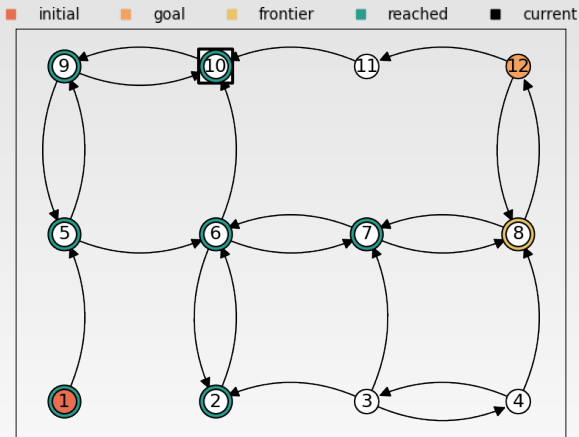


Iteration: 7, Current: 7

Frontier: [10, 8]

Reached: {1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10}

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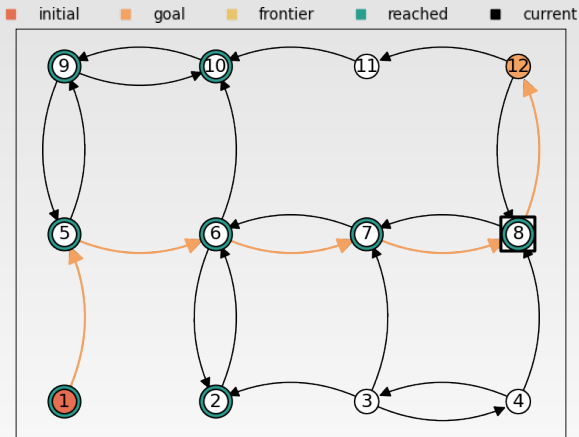


Iteration: 8, Current: 10

Frontier: [8]

Reached:  $\{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$

## Ex. 1 - Breadth-first



Iteration: 9, Current: 8

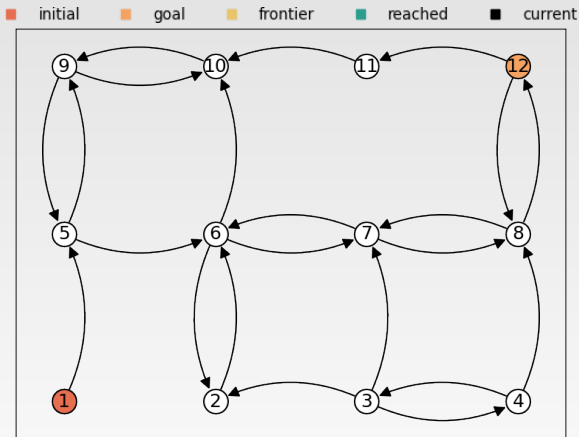
Frontier: ☐

Reached:  $\{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$

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Done! *(we explored all the reachable nodes though..)*

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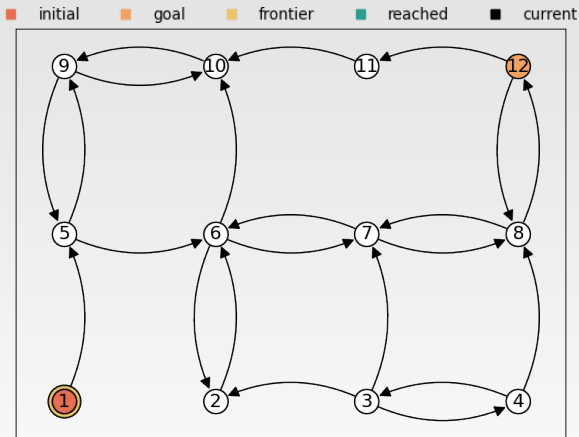


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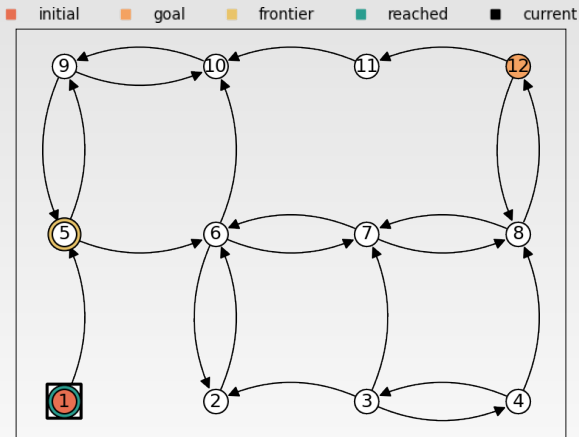
Iteration: 1, Current:

Frontier: [1]

Reached: {1}



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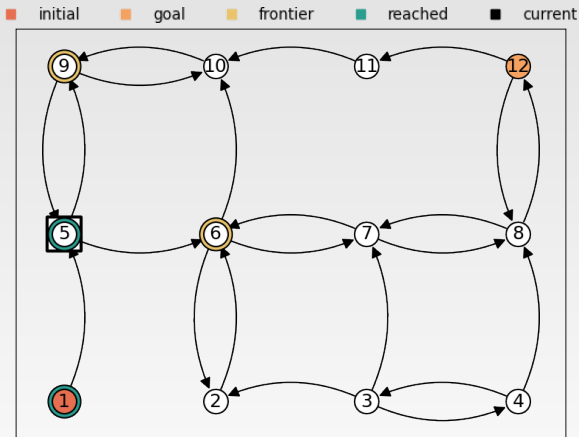


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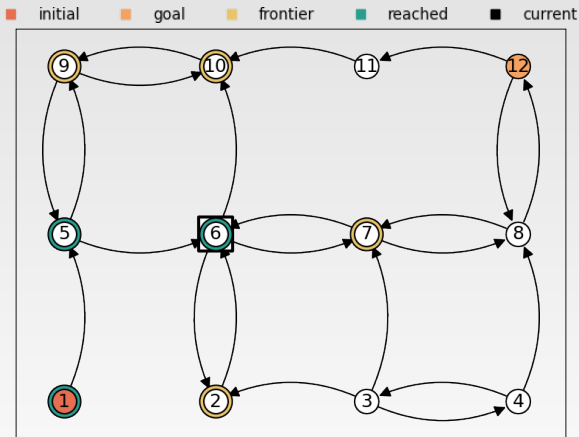


Iteration: 3, Current: 5

Frontier:  $[9, 6]$ 

Reached:  $\{1, 5, 9, 6\}$

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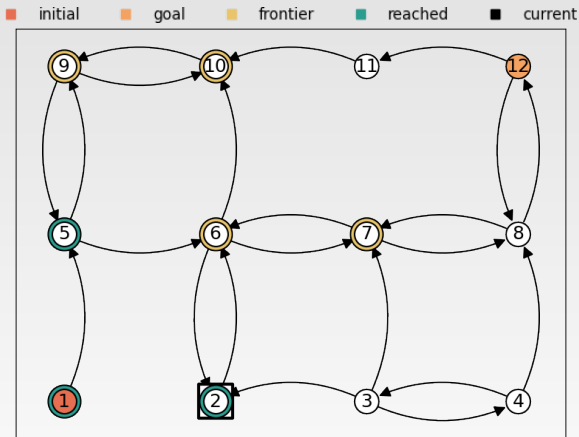


Iteration: 4, Current: 6

Frontier: [9, 10, 7, 2]

Reached: {1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10}

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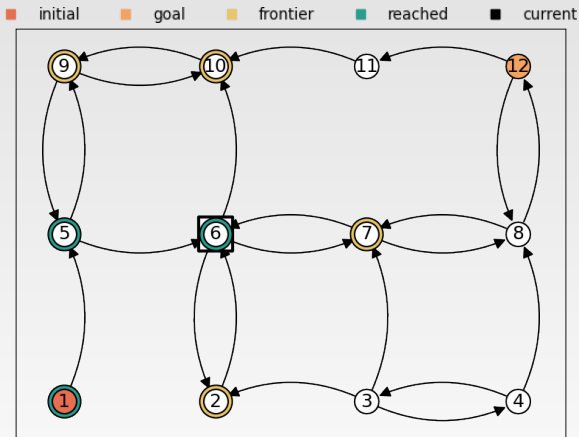


Iteration: 5, Current: 2

Frontier: [9, 10, 7, 6]

Reached:  $\{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10\}$

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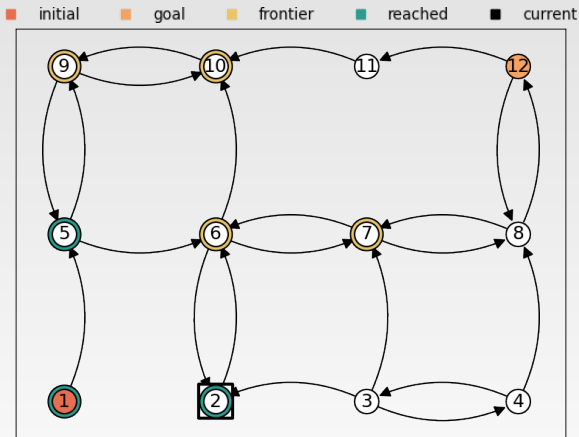


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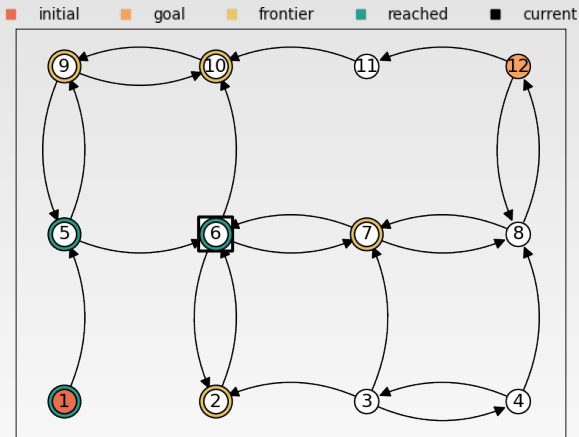


Iteration: 7, Current: 2

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Reached:  $\{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10\}$

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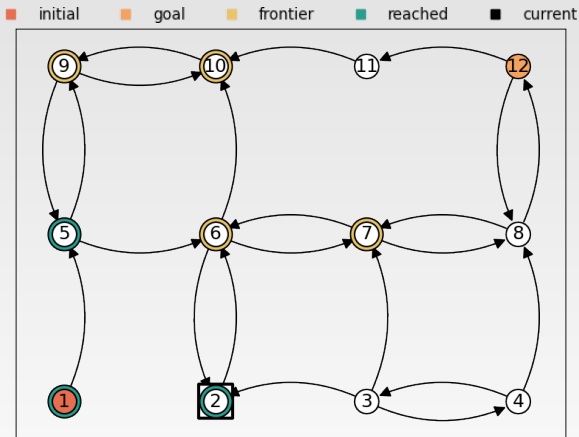


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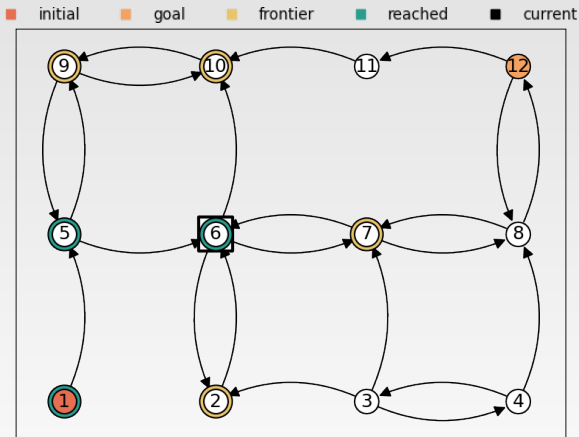
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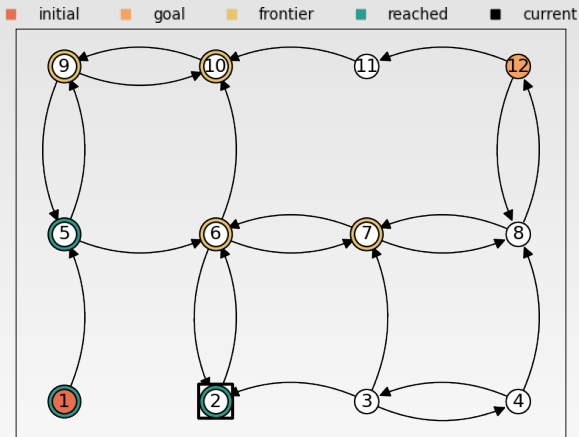


Iteration: 10, Current: 6

Frontier: [9, 10, 7, 10, 7, 10, 7, 10, 7, 2]

Reached:  $\{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10\}$

## Ex. 1 - Depth-first (tree-like)



Iteration: 11, Current: 2

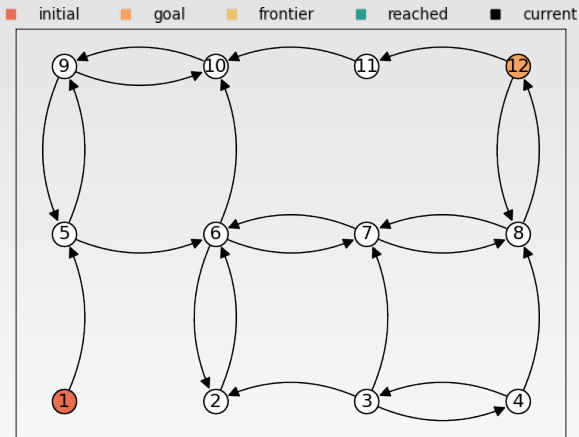
Frontier: [9, 10, 7, 10, 7, 10, 7, 10, 7, 6]

Reached:  $\{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10\}$

## Ex. 1 - Depth-first (tree-like)

Ouch! (*this could have been easily avoided with cycle detection*)

## Ex. 1 - Depth-first (graph-like)

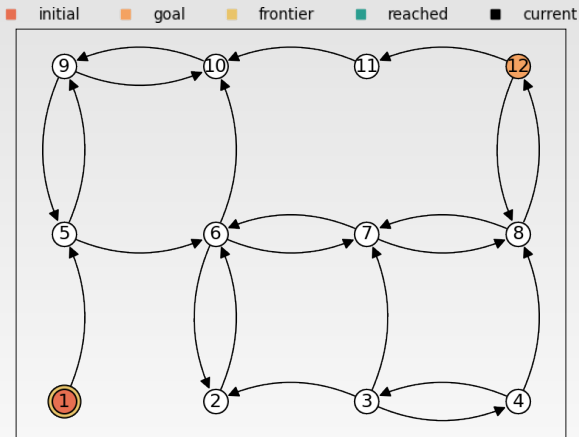


Iteration: -, Current:

Frontier: ☐

Reached:  $\{\}$

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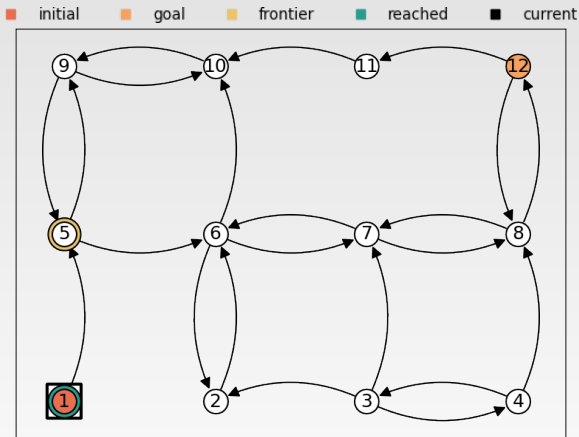


Iteration: 1, Current:

Frontier: [1]

Reached:  $\{1\}$

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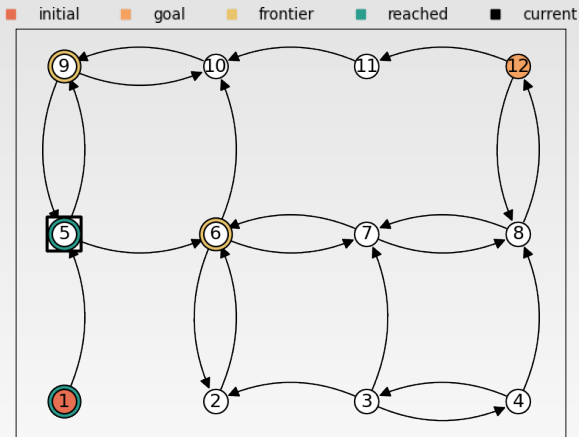


Iteration: 2, Current: 1

Frontier: [5]

Reached:  $\{1, 5\}$

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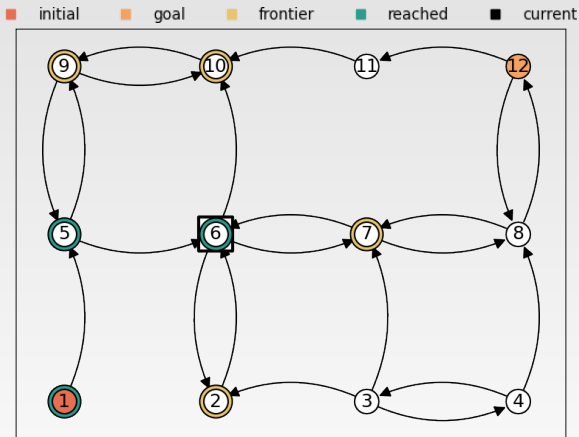


Iteration: 3, Current: 5

Frontier:  $[9, 6]$ 

Reached:  $\{1, 5, 9, 6\}$

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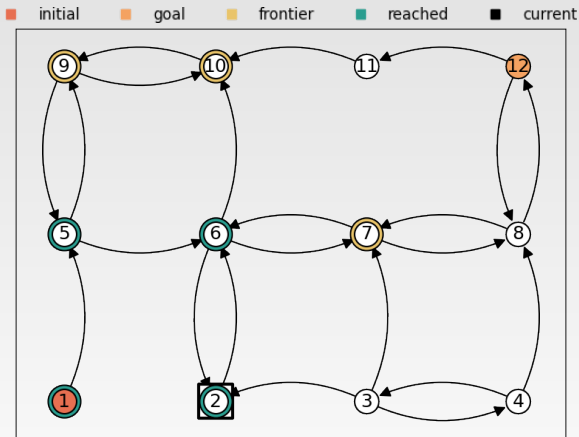
Iteration: 4, Current: 6

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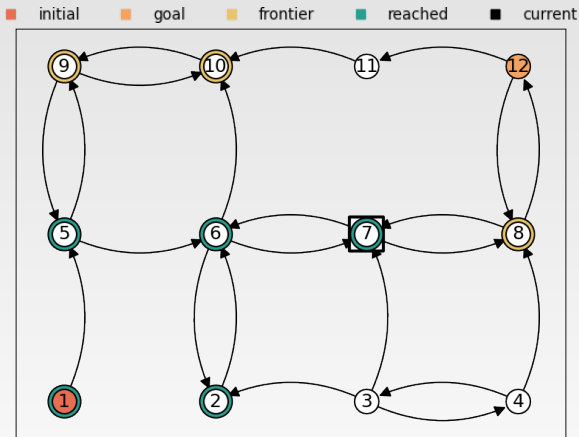


Iteration: 5, Current: 2

Frontier: [9, 10, 7]

Reached:  $\{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10\}$

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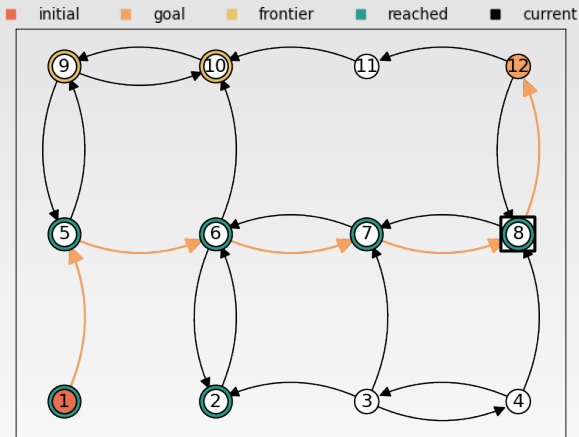


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Iteration: 6, Current: 7
Frontier: [9, 10, 8]
Reached: {1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10}

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## Ex. 1 - Depth-first (graph-like)



Iteration: 7, Current: 8

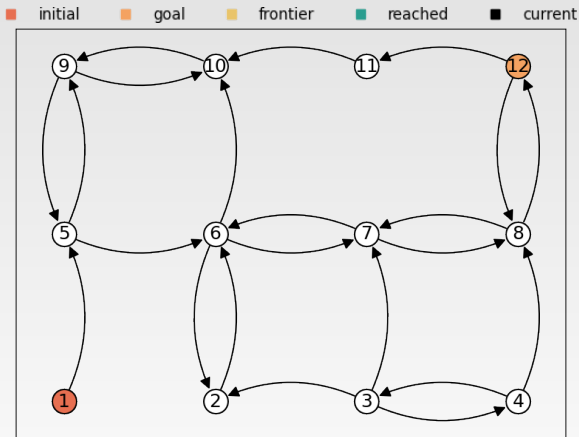
Frontier: [9, 10]

Reached: {1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10}

## Ex. 1 - Depth-first (graph-like)

Done! (*at least we avoided expanding 9, 10*)

## Ex. 1 - Iterative deepening

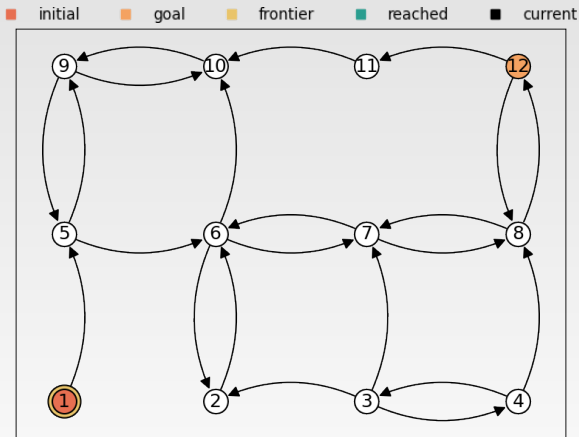


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Frontier: 

Reached:  $\{\}$

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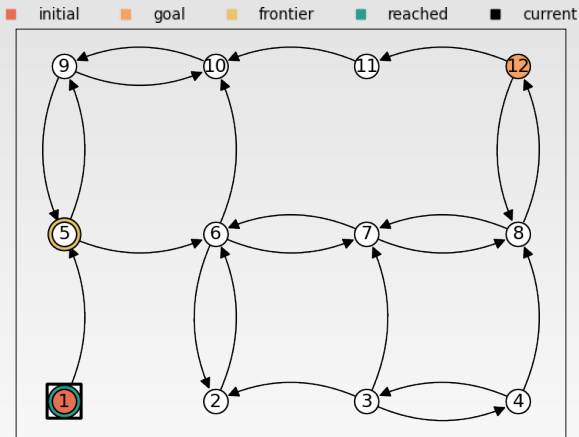


Iteration: 1, Current:

Frontier: [1]

Reached:  $\{1\}$

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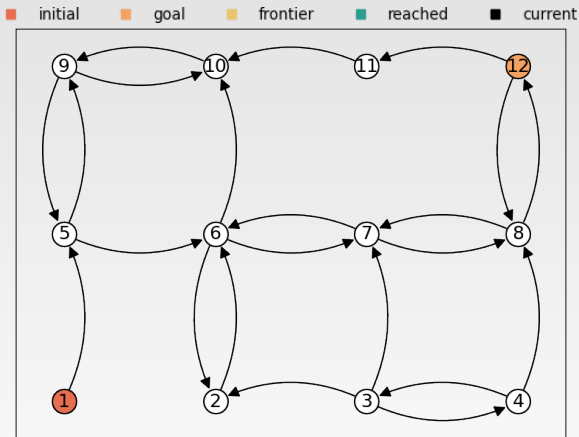


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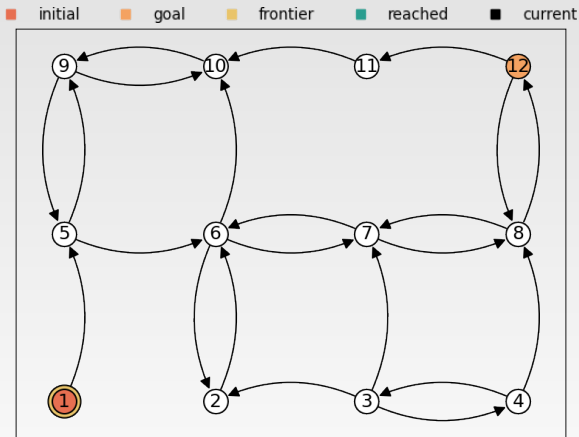
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Frontier: ☐

Reached:  $\{\}$



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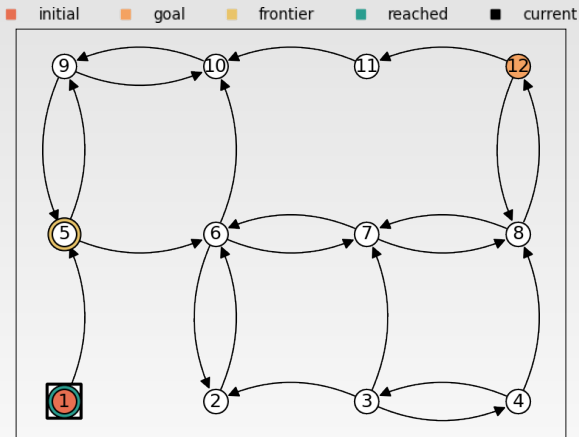


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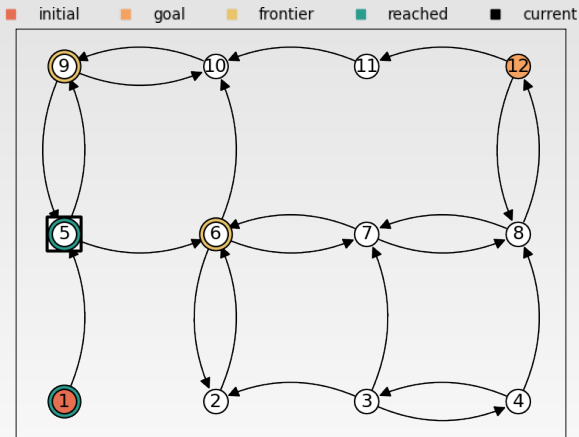


Iteration: 5, Current: 1

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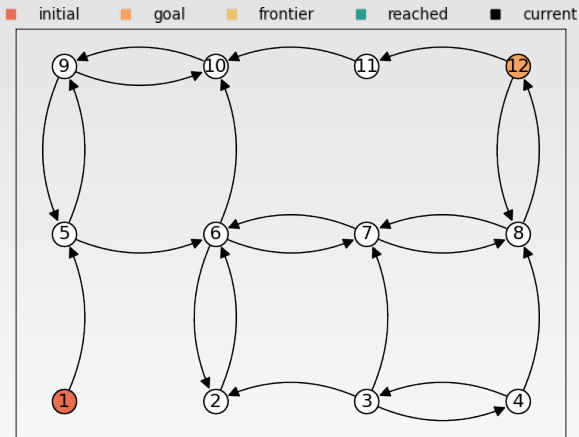


Iteration: 6, Current: 5

Frontier: [9, 6]

Reached:  $\{1, 5, 9, 6\}$

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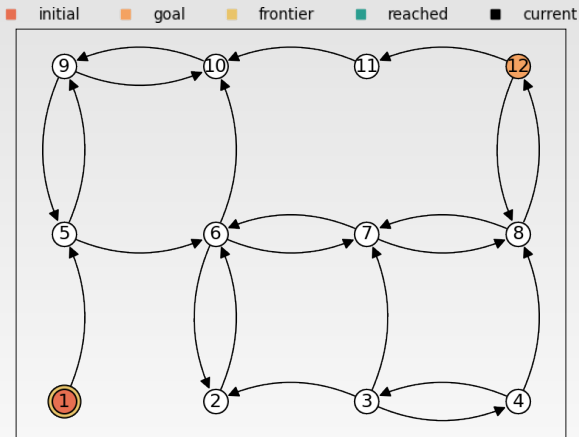


Iteration: 8, Current:

Frontier: []

Reached: {}

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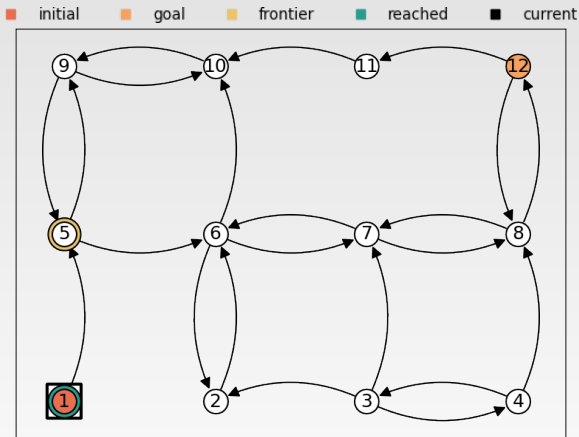


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Reached:  $\{1\}$

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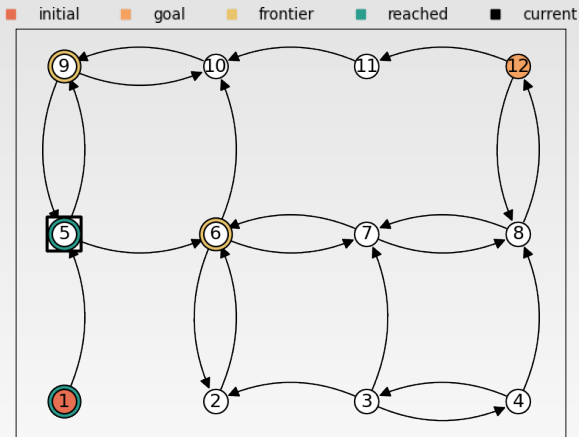


Iteration: 10, Current: 1

Frontier: [5]

Reached: {1, 5}

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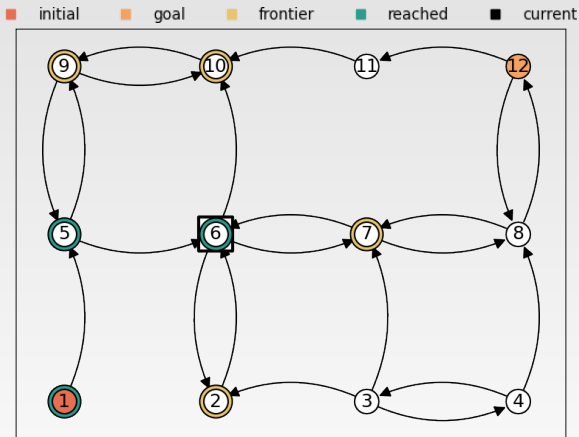


Iteration: 11, Current: 5

Frontier: [9, 6]

Reached:  $\{1, 5, 9, 6\}$

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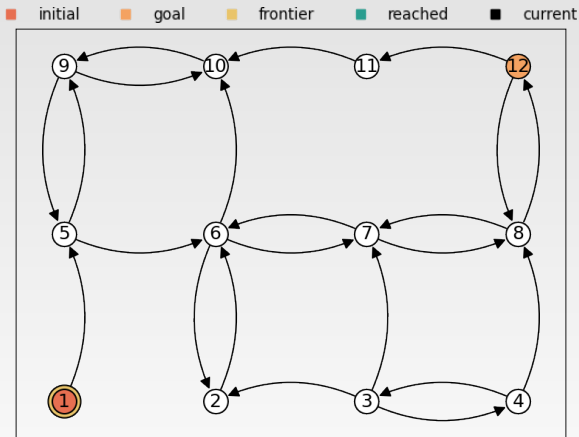
Iteration: 12, Current: 6

Frontier: [9, 10, 7, 2]

Reached: {1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10}



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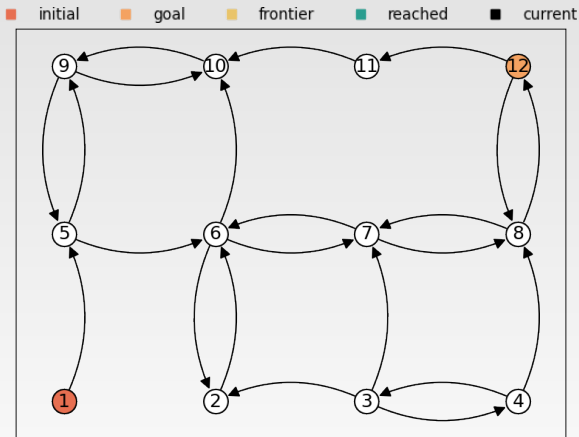


Iteration: 16, Current: 9

Frontier: []

Reached: {1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10}

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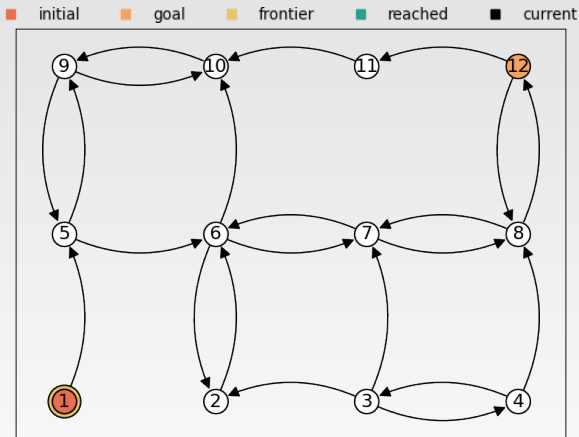


Iteration: 15, Current:

Frontier: 

Reached:  $\{\}$

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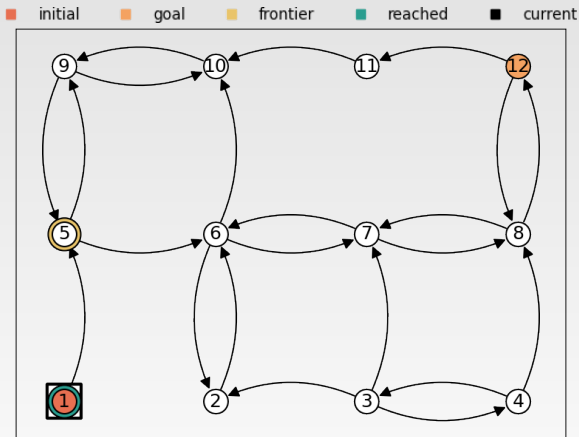


Iteration: 16, Current:

Frontier: [1]

Reached: {1}

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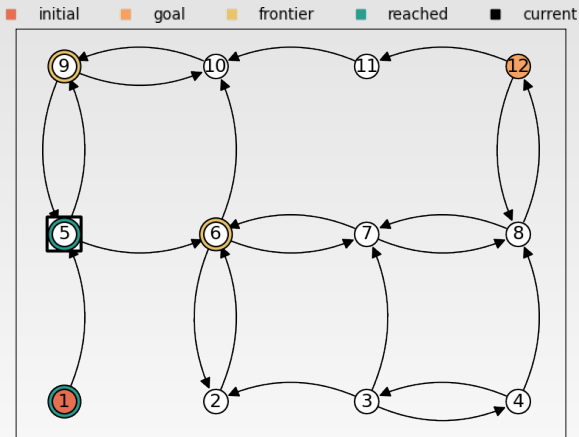


Iteration: 17, Current: 1

Frontier: [5]

Reached:  $\{1, 5\}$

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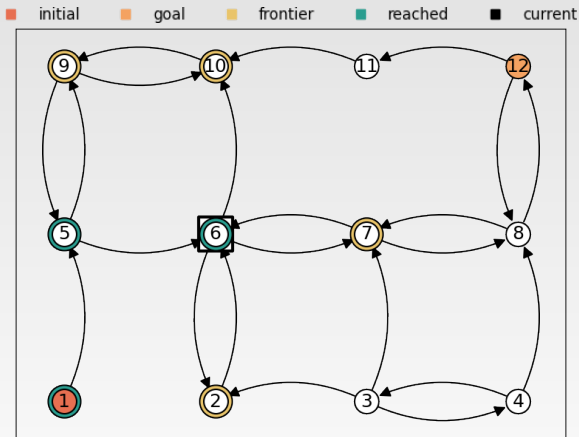


Iteration: 18, Current: 5

Frontier: [9, 6]

Reached:  $\{1, 5, 9, 6\}$

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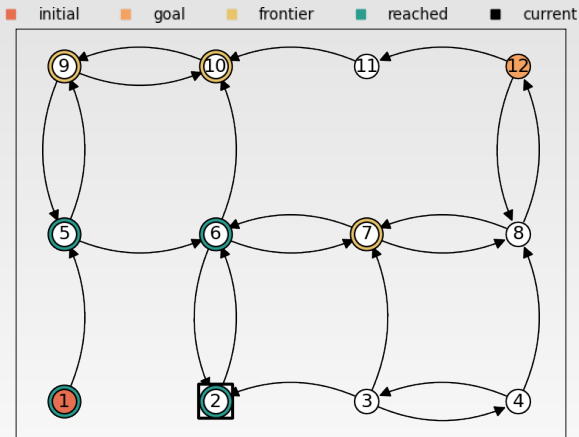


Iteration: 19, Current: 6

Frontier: [9, 10, 7, 2]

Reached:  $\{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10\}$

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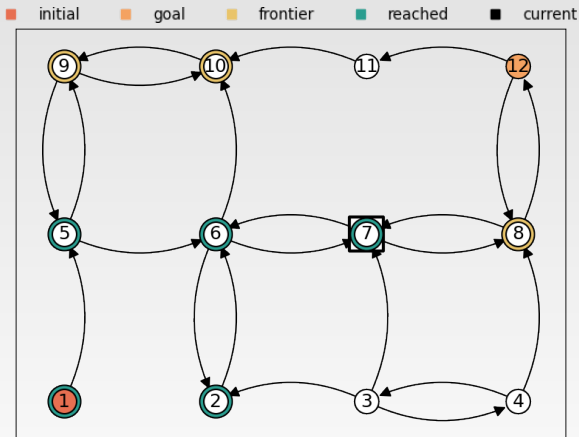


Iteration: 20, Current: 2

Frontier: [9, 10, 7]

Reached:  $\{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10\}$

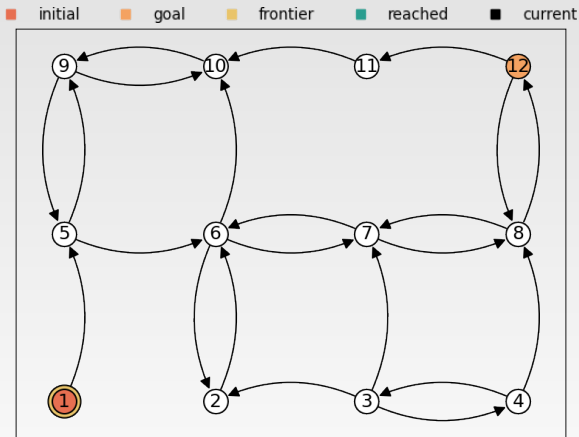
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Iteration: 21, Current: 7  
Frontier: [9, 10, 8]  
Reached: {1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10}



## Ex. 1 - Iterative deepening

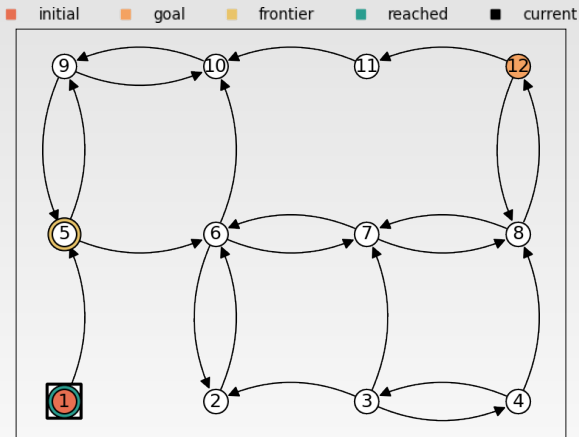


Iteration: 23, Current: 10

Frontier: [9]

Reached:  $\{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$

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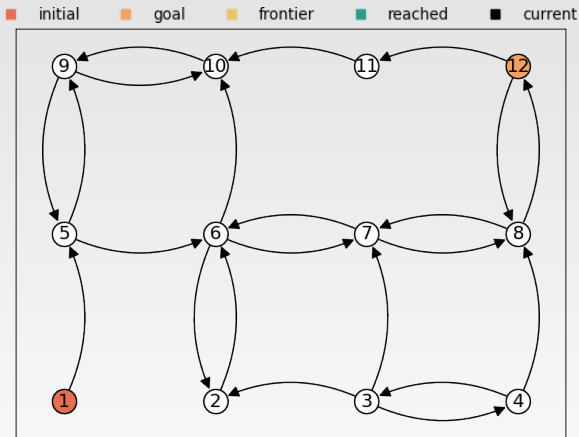


Iteration: 24, Current: 9

Frontier: []

Reached: {1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10}

## Ex. 1 - Iterative deepening

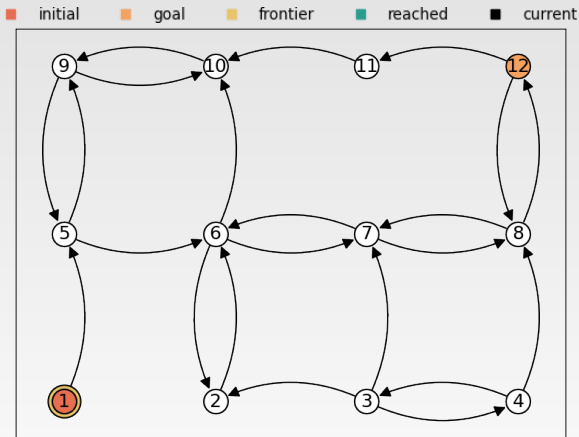


Iteration: 22, Current:

Frontier: 

Reached:  $\{\}$

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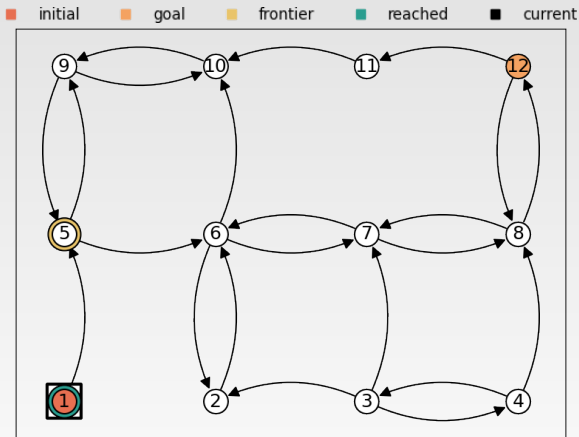


Iteration: 23, Current:

Frontier: [1]

Reached: {1}

# Ex. 1 - Iterative deepening

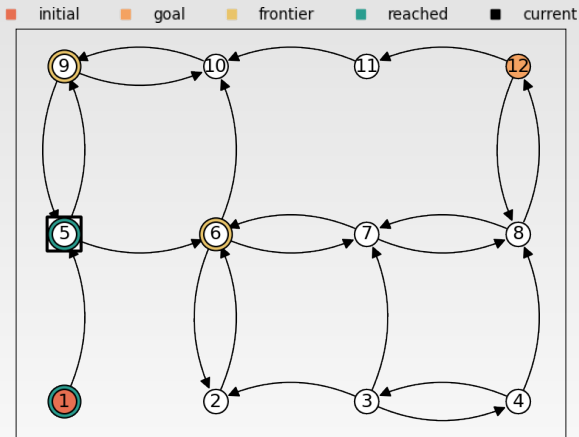


Iteration: 24, Current: 1

Frontier: [5]

Reached: {1, 5}

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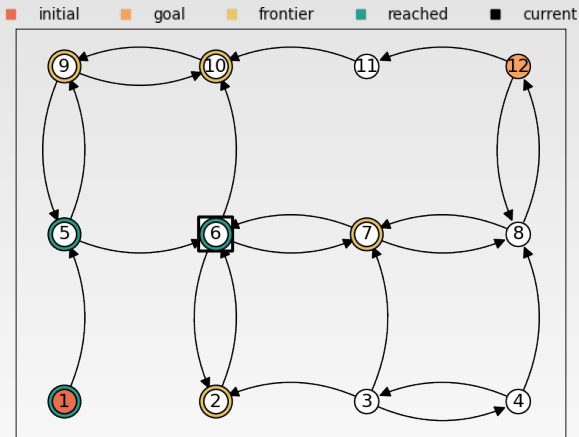


Iteration: 25, Current: 5

Frontier: [9, 6]

Reached:  $\{1, 5, 9, 6\}$

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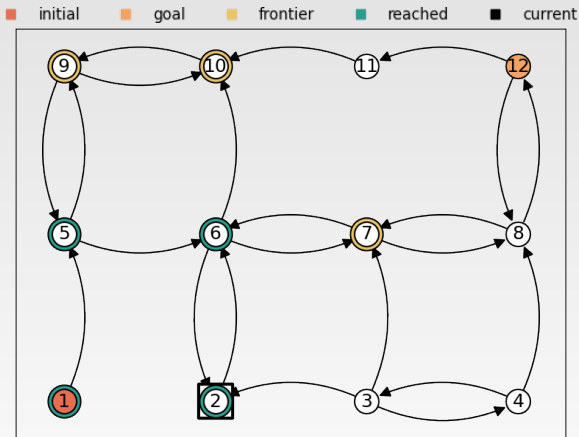


Iteration: 26, Current: 6

Frontier: [9, 10, 7, 2]

Reached:  $\{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10\}$

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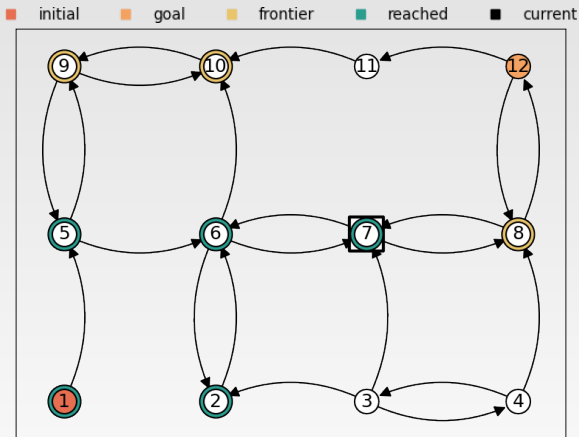
Iteration: 27, Current: 2

Frontier: [9, 10, 7]

Reached:  $\{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10\}$



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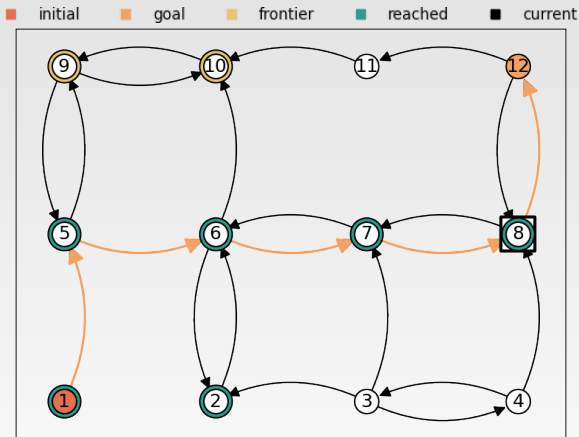


Iteration: 28, Current: 7

Frontier: [9, 10, 8]

Reached:  $\{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$

# Ex. 1 - Iterative deepening



Iteration: 29, Current: 8

Frontier: [9, 10]

Reached: {1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10}

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Done! (*For these problems, not worth it*)