

## ✓ Search Algorithms Analysis

### ✓ Uninformed Search Algorithms

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# Node code
from sys import setrecursionlimit
setrecursionlimit(100000)

class Node:
    def __init__(self, state, parent=None):
        self.state = [row[:] for row in state]
        self.parent = parent # tracing

    def __str__(self):
        return '\n'.join([' '.join(row) for row in self.state])

class PuzzleSolver:
    def __init__(self, start, goal=None):
        self.start = start
        self.goal = goal if goal else Node(['1', '2', '3'], ['4', '5', '6'], ['7', '8', ' '])

    def is_solvable(self, state):
        flat = [tile for row in state.state for tile in row if tile != ' ']
        inversions = 0
        for i in range(len(flat)):
            for j in range(i + 1, len(flat)):
                if flat[i] > flat[j]:
                    inversions += 1
        return inversions % 2 == 0

    def find_space(self, state):
        for i in range(3):
            for j in range(3):
                if state.state[i][j] == ' ':
                    return (i, j)
        return None

    def find_moves(self, pos):
        x, y = pos
        return [(x + 1, y), (x - 1, y), (x, y + 1), (x, y - 1)]

    def is_valid(self, move):
        x, y = move
        return 0 <= x < 3 and 0 <= y < 3

    def play_move(self, state, move, space):
        x, y = space
        new_x, new_y = move
        new_state = [row[:] for row in state.state]
        new_state[x][y], new_state[new_x][new_y] = new_state[new_x][new_y], new_state[x][y]
        return Node(new_state, state)

    def generate_children(self, state):
        children = []
        space = self.find_space(state)
        moves = self.find_moves(space)
        for move in moves:
            if self.is_valid(move):
                child = self.play_move(state, move, space)
                children.append(child)
        return children

    def state_to_string(self, state):
        return '\n'.join([' '.join(row) for row in state.state])
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## 3. Backtracking

**Introduction:** Backtracking is a refined form of DFS that incrementally builds candidates to the solution and abandons a path as soon as it determines it cannot lead to a valid solution.

- **Pros:**
  - Efficient memory usage (only stores the current path).
  - Can prune invalid paths early, reducing unnecessary exploration.
- **Cons:**
  - Not optimal: may not find the shortest solution.
  - Requires careful design of pruning conditions specific to the 8-puzzle.
  - Can still be slow if many paths need exploration.

```
# Backtracking solver
class BacktrackingSolver(PuzzleSolver):
    def solve(self):
        def backtrack(node):
            state_list = [self.state_to_string(self.start)]
            def recursive_backtrack(current):
                if self.state_to_string(current) == self.state_to_string(self.goal):
                    return current
                for child in self.generate_children(current):
                    child_str = self.state_to_string(child)
                    if child_str not in state_list:
                        state_list.append(child_str)
                        result = recursive_backtrack(child)
                        if result:
                            return result
                return None
            return recursive_backtrack(node)
        final_state = backtrack(self.start)
        if final_state:
            print("Backtracking Solution Found:")
            self.disp_solution(final_state)
        else:
            print("No solution found with backtracking.")
    def disp_solution(self, final_state):
        # Display the solution path from start to goal
        if not final_state:
            print("No path to display.")
            return
        path = []
        current = final_state
        while current:
            path.append(current)
            current = current.parent
        path.reverse()
        for i, node in enumerate(path):
            print(f"Step {i}: \n{node}\n")
```

## 2. Depth-First Search (DFS)

**Introduction:** DFS explores as far as possible along each branch before backtracking, using a stack (explicit or via recursion) to manage the search.

- **Pros:**
  - Low memory usage (linear space complexity:  $O(bm)$ , where  $m$  is the maximum depth).
  - Can find a solution quickly if it lies on an early branch.
- **Cons:**
  - Not optimal: may find a longer path than necessary.
  - Not complete in infinite state spaces (can get stuck in loops without cycle detection).
  - Unpredictable performance for the 8-puzzle due to variable depths.

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# DFS solver
class DFSSolver(PuzzleSolver):
    def solve(self):
        open_list = [self.start]
        closed_list = set()

        while open_list:
            current = open_list.pop()
            current_str = self.state_to_string(current)
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        if current_str == self.state_to_string(self.goal):
            print("DFS Solution Found:")
            self.disp_solution(current)
            return

        if current_str not in closed_list:
            closed_list.add(current_str)
            children = self.generate_children(current)
            open_list.extend(children)
    print("No solution found with DFS.")
def disp_solution(self, final_state):
    # Display the solution path from start to goal
    if not final_state:
        print("No path to display.")
        return
    path = []
    current = final_state
    while current:
        path.append(current)
        current = current.parent
    path.reverse()
    for i, node in enumerate(path):
        print(f"Step {i}:\n{node}\n")

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## 1. Breadth-First Search (BFS)

**Introduction:** BFS explores all nodes at the present depth level before moving to nodes at the next depth level, using a queue to maintain the frontier of nodes to be explored.

- **Pros:**

- Guarantees the shortest path to the solution (optimal) in terms of moves.
- Complete: will find a solution if one exists.

- **Cons:**

- High memory usage due to storing all nodes at each level (exponential space complexity:  $O(b^d)$ ).
- Can be slow for deep solutions in large state spaces.

```

# BFS solver
class BFSSolver(PuzzleSolver):
    def solve(self):
        open_list = [self.start]
        closed_list = set()

        while open_list:
            current = open_list.pop(0)
            current_str = self.state_to_string(current)

            if current_str == self.state_to_string(self.goal):
                print("BFS Solution Found:")
                self.disp_solution(current)
                return

            if current_str not in closed_list:
                closed_list.add(current_str)
                children = self.generate_children(current)
                open_list.extend(children)
    print("No solution found with BFS.")
def disp_solution(self, final_state):
    # Display the solution path from start to goal
    if not final_state:
        print("No path to display.")
        return
    path = []
    current = final_state
    while current:
        path.append(current)
        current = current.parent
    path.reverse()
    for i, node in enumerate(path):
        print(f"Step {i}:\n{node}\n")

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## 4. Depth-First Iterative Deepening (DFID)

**Introduction:** DFID combines BFS's optimality with DFS's space efficiency by running DFS with increasing depth limits until a solution is found.

- **Pros:**
  - Optimal: finds the shortest solution like BFS.
  - Memory-efficient ( $O(bd)$  space, where  $d$  is the solution depth).
  - Complete if a solution exists.
- **Cons:**
  - Redundant computation: re-explores shallower nodes multiple times.
  - Slower than BFS in terms of time due to repeated exploration.

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# DFID solver
class DFIDSolver(PuzzleSolver):
    def solve(self):
        def dls(node, depth, visited):
            if depth < 0:
                return None
            current_str = self.state_to_string(node)
            if current_str == self.state_to_string(self.goal):
                return node
            if current_str in visited:
                return None
            visited.add(current_str)
            for child in self.generate_children(node):
                result = dls(child, depth - 1, visited.copy())
                if result:
                    return result
            return None
        depth = 0
        while True:
            visited = set()
            result = dls(self.start, depth, visited)
            if result:
                print("DFID Solution Found:")
                self.disp_solution(result)
                return
            depth += 1
            if depth > 50:
                print("No solution found with DFID within depth limit.")
                return
        def disp_solution(self, final_state):
            # Display the solution path from start to goal
            if not final_state:
                print("No path to display.")
                return
            path = []
            current = final_state
            while current:
                path.append(current)
                current = current.parent
            path.reverse()
            for i, node in enumerate(path):
                print(f"Step {i}: {node}")

def main():

    start = Node([[ '1', '2', '3'], [ ' ', '5', '6'], [ '4', '7', '8']])

    print("Starting State:")
    print(start)

    print("\nGoal State:")
    goal = Node([[ '1', '2', '3'], [ '4', '5', '6'], [ '7', '8', ' ']])
    print(goal)

    print("\nSolving with Backtracking:")
    backtracking_solver = BacktrackingSolver(start=start, goal=goal)
    backtracking_solver.solve()
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print("\nSolving with DFS:")
dfs_solver = DFSSolver(start=start, goal=goal)
dfs_solver.solve()

print("\nSolving with BFS:")
bfs_solver = BFSSolver(start=start, goal=goal)
bfs_solver.solve()

print("\nSolving with DFID:")
dfid_solver = DFIDSolver(start=start, goal=goal)
dfid_solver.solve()

main()

import timeit
from memory_profiler import memory_usage

# Main function
def profile_solver(solver_class, start, goal):
    solver = solver_class(start=start, goal=goal)
    start_time = timeit.default_timer()
    mem_usage = memory_usage((solver.solve,))
    end_time = timeit.default_timer()
    return end_time - start_time, max(mem_usage) - min(mem_usage)

start = Node([[ '1', '2', '3'], [ ' ', '5', '6'], [ '4', '7', '8']])
goal = Node([[ '1', '2', '3'], [ '4', '5', '6'], [ '7', '8', ' ']])

print("Starting State:")
print(start)

print("\nGoal State:")
print(goal)

print("\nProfiling Backtracking Solver:")
time_bt, mem_bt = profile_solver(BacktrackingSolver, start, goal)
print(f"Time: {time_bt} seconds, Memory: {mem_bt} MiB")
print("\nProfiling DFS Solver:")
time_dfs, mem_dfs = profile_solver(DFSSolver, start, goal)
print(f"Time: {time_dfs} seconds, Memory: {mem_dfs} MiB")
print("\nProfiling BFS Solver:")
time_bfs, mem_bfs = profile_solver(BFSSolver, start, goal)
print(f"Time: {time_bfs} seconds, Memory: {mem_bfs} MiB")

print("\nProfiling DFID Solver:")
time_dfid, mem_dfid = profile_solver(DFIDSolver, start, goal)
print(f"Time: {time_dfid} seconds, Memory: {mem_dfid} MiB")

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import heapq
import timeit
from memory_profiler import memory_usage

# Priority Queue for managing nodes
class PriorityQueue:
    def __init__(self):
        self.heap = []

    def enqueue(self, x):
        heapq.heappush(self.heap, x)

    def dequeue(self):
        return heapq.heappop(self.heap)

    def is_empty(self):
        return len(self.heap) == 0

# Node class for representing puzzle states
class Node:

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def __init__(self, state, parent=None):
    self.state = tuple(tuple(row) for row in state) # Immutable state
    self.parent = parent
    self.g = 0 # Cost from start
    self.h = 0 # Heuristic estimate
    self.f = 0 # Total estimated cost (g + h)

def __lt__(self, other):
    return self.f < other.f

def heuristic(self, goal):
    """Manhattan distance heuristic"""
    distance = 0
    goal = tuple(tuple(row) for row in goal)
    for r in range(3):
        for c in range(3):
            val = self.state[r][c]
            if val != 0:
                goal_row, goal_col = divmod(val - 1, 3)
                distance += abs(r - goal_row) + abs(c - goal_col)
    return distance

def out_place(self, goal):
    """Out-of-place heuristic"""
    distance = 0
    goal = tuple(tuple(row) for row in goal)
    for r in range(3):
        for c in range(3):
            val = self.state[r][c]
            if val != 0:
                goal_row, goal_col = divmod(val - 1, 3)
                if r != goal_row or c != goal_col:
                    distance += 1
    return distance

def to_list(self):
    """Convert tuple state to list of lists"""
    return [list(row) for row in self.state]

# Base Puzzle Solver class
class PuzzleSolver:
    def __init__(self, start, goal):
        self.start = start # List of lists
        self.goal = goal # List of lists

    def is_solvable(self):
        """Check if the puzzle is solvable based on inversions"""
        flat = [x for row in self.start for x in row if x != 0]
        inversions = 0
        for i in range(len(flat)):
            for j in range(i + 1, len(flat)):
                if flat[i] > flat[j]:
                    inversions += 1
        return inversions % 2 == 0

    def find_space(self, state):
        """Find the position of the blank tile (0)"""
        for r in range(3):
            for c in range(3):
                if state[r][c] == 0:
                    return (r, c)
        return None

    def find_moves(self, pos):
        """Possible moves from the blank tile position"""
        (r, c) = pos
        return [(r-1, c), (r+1, c), (r, c-1), (r, c+1)]

    def is_valid(self, move):
        """Check if a move is within the 3x3 grid"""
        (r, c) = move
        return 0 <= r < 3 and 0 <= c < 3

    def play_move(self, state, move, space):
        """Execute a move by swapping the blank tile"""
        (r, c) = space
        (new_r, new_c) = move

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new_state = [row[:] for row in state]
new_state[r][c], new_state[new_r][new_c] = new_state[new_r][new_c], new_state[r][c]
return new_state

def find_children(self, state):
    """Generate all possible child states"""
    children = []
    space = self.find_space(state)
    for move in self.find_moves(space):
        if self.is_valid(move):
            child_state = self.play_move(state, move, space)
            children.append(child_state)
    return children

```

## 6. Best-First Search

**Introduction:** Best-First Search is a greedy, informed search that prioritizes nodes based solely on a heuristic function ( $h(n)$ ), without considering the cost from the start ( $g(n)$ ).

- **Pros:**

- Can be fast if the heuristic closely aligns with the solution path.
- Simple to implement with a priority queue.

- **Cons:**

- Not optimal: may find a suboptimal solution due to greediness.
- Not complete: can get trapped in local optima or infinite branches.
- Memory usage can still be high ( $O(b^d)$ ).

```

# Best-First Search Solver
class PuzzleSolverWithBestFS(PuzzleSolver):
    def solve_puzzle(self):
        if not self.is_solvable():
            return None, "Puzzle is not solvable"
        pq = PriorityQueue()
        start_node = Node(self.start)
        start_node.h = start_node.out_place(self.goal)
        start_node.f = start_node.h
        pq.enqueue(start_node)
        explored = set()
        while not pq.is_empty():
            current_node = pq.dequeue()
            if current_node.state == tuple(tuple(row) for row in self.goal):
                return self.reconstruct_path(current_node), f"Solution found in {current_node.g} moves"
            state_str = current_node.state
            if state_str in explored:
                continue
            explored.add(state_str)
            for child_state in self.find_children(current_node.to_list()):
                child_tuple = tuple(tuple(row) for row in child_state)
                if child_tuple not in explored:
                    child_node = Node(child_state, current_node)
                    child_node.g = current_node.g + 1
                    child_node.h = child_node.out_place(self.goal)
                    child_node.f = child_node.h
                    pq.enqueue(child_node)
        return None, "No solution found"

    def reconstruct_path(self, node):
        """Reconstruct the solution path"""
        path = []
        while node is not None:
            path.append(node.to_list())
            node = node.parent
        path.reverse()
        return path

```

## 5. A\* Search

**Introduction:** A\* is an informed search algorithm that uses a heuristic function (e.g., Manhattan distance) to guide the search toward the goal, combining the cost to reach a node ( $g(n)$ ) and the estimated cost to the goal ( $h(n)$ ).

- **Pros:**

- Optimal: finds the shortest solution if the heuristic is admissible (e.g., Manhattan distance).
- Efficient: heuristic reduces the number of nodes explored.
- Complete with a good heuristic.

- **Cons:**

- Memory-intensive ( $O(b^d)$  space complexity).
- Performance depends heavily on the quality of the heuristic.

```
# A* Search Solver
class PuzzleSolverWithAStar(PuzzleSolver):
    def solve_puzzle(self):
        if not self.is_solvable():
            return None, "Puzzle is not solvable"
        pq = PriorityQueue()
        start_node = Node(self.start)
        start_node.h = start_node.heuristic(self.goal)
        start_node.f = start_node.g + start_node.h
        pq.enqueue(start_node)
        explored = set()
        while not pq.is_empty():
            current_node = pq.dequeue()
            if current_node.state == tuple(row for row in self.goal):
                return self.reconstruct_path(current_node, f"Solution found in {current_node.g} moves")
            state_str = current_node.state
            if state_str in explored:
                continue
            explored.add(state_str)
            for child_state in self.find_children(current_node.to_list()):
                child_tuple = tuple(row for row in child_state)
                if child_tuple not in explored:
                    child_node = Node(child_state, current_node)
                    child_node.g = current_node.g + 1
                    child_node.h = child_node.heuristic(self.goal)
                    child_node.f = child_node.g + child_node.h
                    pq.enqueue(child_node)
        return None, "No solution found"

    def reconstruct_path(self, node):
        """Reconstruct the solution path"""
        path = []
        while node is not None:
            path.append(node.to_list())
            node = node.parent
        path.reverse()
        return path

# Main function

def main():

    start1 = [['1', '2', '3'], ['4', '5', '6'], ['0', '7', '8']]
    ps1 = PuzzleSolverWithAStar(start1)
    solution1, message1 = ps1.solve_puzzle()
    print("Test 1:")
    print(message1)
    if solution1:
        for i, state in enumerate(solution1):
            print(f"Step {i}: {state}")
    print()

    start2 = [['1', '2', '3'], ['4', '5', '6'], ['0', '7', '8']]
    ps2 = PuzzleSolverWithBestFS(start2)
    solution2, message2 = ps2.solve_puzzle()
    print("Test 2:")
    print(message2)
    if solution2:
        for i, state in enumerate(solution2):
            print(f"Step {i}: {state}")
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main()

# Profiling function
def profile_solver(solver_class, start, goal):
    solver = solver_class(start=start, goal=goal)
    start_time = timeit.default_timer()
    mem_usage = memory_usage((solver.solve_puzzle,))
    end_time = timeit.default_timer()
    return end_time - start_time, max(mem_usage) - min(mem_usage)

# Define start and goal states as lists of lists
start_list = [['1', '2', '3'], ['4', '5', '6'], ['0', '7', '8']]
goal_list = [['1', '2', '3'], ['4', '5', '6'], ['7', '8', '0']]

# Print states
print("Starting State:")
for row in start_list:
    print(row)

print("\nGoal State:")
for row in goal_list:
    print(row)

#Profile Best-First Search
print("\nPuzzleSolver With Best First Search:")
time_bfs, mem_bfs = profile_solver(PuzzleSolverWithBestFS, start_list, goal_list)
print(f"Time: {time_bfs} seconds, Memory: {mem_bfs} MiB")

#Profile A* Search
print("\nPuzzleSolver With AStar:")
time_astar, mem_astar = profile_solver(PuzzleSolverWithAStar, start_list, goal_list)
print(f"Time: {time_astar} seconds, Memory: {mem_astar} MiB")

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## Analysis of Uninformed and Informed Algorithms

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|--------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|        | Backtracking     | DFS              | DFID             | BFS              | A*               | Best FS          |
| Steps  | 31               | 431              | 3                | 3                | 3                | 3                |
| Time   | 2.42137599997222 | 2.84015339985489 | 2.67866000020876 | 2.60968510014936 | 3.14628889993764 | 3.02687190007418 |
| Memory | 0.23828125       | 0.5546875        | 0.13671875       | 0.11328125       | 0.0078125        | 0.12109375       |

Note: The A\* and Best Firist Seaarrrch Algorithms worksk nealy same in different heuristics