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Hill Climbing Algorithm for N-Queens

Algorithm

i) Initialize a variable N (no of queens)

ii) Consider $N \times N$ square board with initial generate (1), where each queen is placed randomly.

state $[i] = j \rightarrow i^{\text{th}}$ queen (column) is placed in j^{th} row.

iii) cal. attack()

\rightarrow The heuristic function $h(n)$ calculates the attacking (collision) from all the 8 directions (initially, attacking = 0)

iv) objective (1)

generate new state(), Based on new neighbours optimize the best state, until attacking = 0

func $h(\text{state})$:

$h = 0$

for i in range(len(state))

for j in range($i+1$, len(state))

if abs(state[i] - state[j]) == abs(i - j)

or

state[i] == state[j]

$h += 1$

return h

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func generateNew():
    best = state
    for i in range(len(state)):
        for j in range(8):
            new = state[:i] + j + state[i+1:]
            if h(new) < h(best):
                best = new
    return best

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func hillClimb():
    int cur = random.randint(0, 8)
    c_h = h(cur)
    cur = generateNew(cur)
    if h(cur) == 0:
        return cur
    if h(cur) >= c_h:
        cur = random.randint(1, 8)

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func h(state):
    h = 0
    for i in range(len(state)):
        for j in range(i+1, len(state)):
            if abs(state[i] - state[j])
                == abs(i - j):
                    state[i] = state[j]
            h++
    return h

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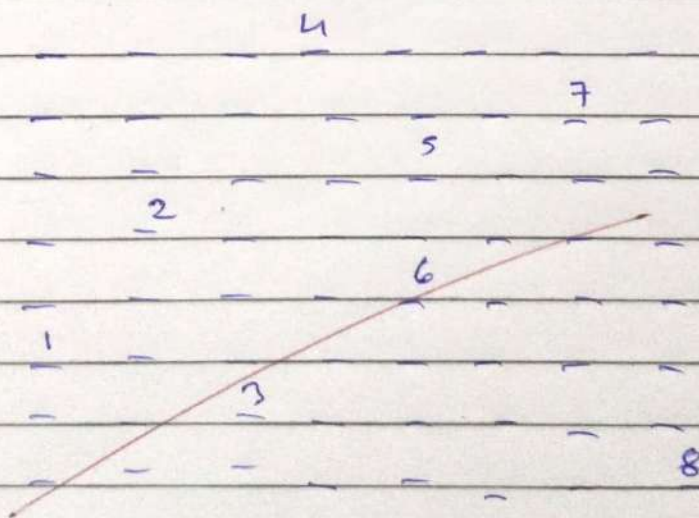
func aStar():
    initial [ ]
    h = [ ], g = 0
    heap.push [h; (heuristic (initial) + g,
    while h:
        c = heap.pop()
        if h(c[1]) + c[2] == 0:
            return c
        if len(c[1]) == 8:
            continue
        for i in range(1, 9):
            n = c[1] + [i]
            heap.push (g, h(n) + c[2] - 1, n, g - 1)

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proceed

Output:

[4 7 5 2 6 1 3 8]



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