

# Search strategies & Algorithms

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NOTES

Finding the sequence of actions that help us reach our goal  $P \rightarrow G$

- Input: Problem
- Output: action sequence that help us reach our goal

In search Algorithms, we go from initial state  $\rightarrow$  goal state.  
reaching the goal state will cost us **path costs**.  
Solutions with lowest path cost are **Optimal Solutions**.

## How do I define a problem?

- ① Initial State
- ② possible actions
- ③ Transition Model  
describe what each action does.
- ④ Goal test  
is this final state my goal state?
- ⑤ Path Cost  
we use number to count the cost.

## Ok, and where do I search for solutions for my problem?

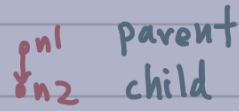
We find solutions in our **Search Space**, it is all the possible states out there for our problem.

Some states lead us nowhere, while others lead to our goal, this is why we need a good Search Strategy

# Lets learn Graph theory! to understand any problem's complexity

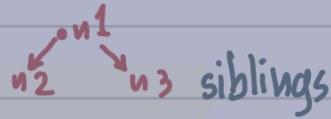
Structure, we can use graph theory.

• node



→ arc

→ Directed graph



↔ Undirected graph

↔ Labeled graph

$n_1$   $n_2$



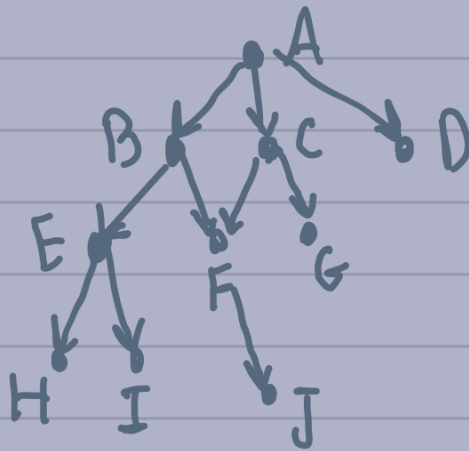
root node: nodes التي يتفرع منها كل الـ nodes

★ If there's a root node, then the graph

is called Rooted Graph

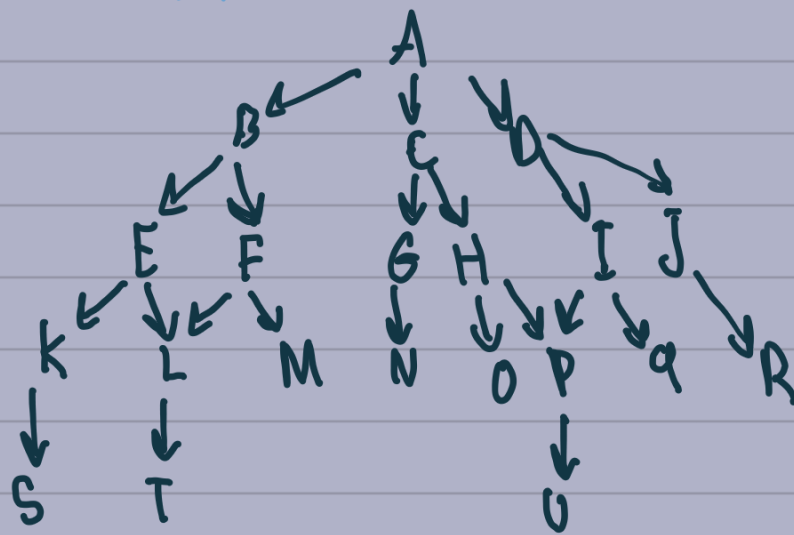
↓ the one node with No children  
is a leaf

# Backtracking Algorithm:



After Iteration	CS	SL	NSL	DE
0	A	[A]	[A]	[]
1	B	[BA]	[BCDA]	[]
2	E	[EBA]	[EFBCDA]	[]
3	H	[HEBA]	[HIEFBCDA]	[]
4	I	[IEBA]	[IEFBCDA]	[H]
5	F	[FBA]	[FBCDA]	[EIH]
6	J	[JFBA]	[JFBCDA]	[EIH]
7	C	[CA]	[GCA]	?
8	G	[GCA]	[GCA]	?

# Depth first



open = [A]

closed = []

[B C D]

[A]

[E F C D]

[B A]

[K L F C D]

[E B A]

[S L F C D]

[K E B A]

[L F C D]

[S K E B A]

[T F C D]

[L S K E B A]

[F C D]

[T L S K E B A]

[M C D]

[F T L S K E B A]

[C D]

[M F T L S K E B A]

[G H D]