

# BFS algorithm

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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
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## Important aspect

- The order of the nodes in fringe **FIFO**
- Should the same state be generated?
  - Same as the EXPANDED states **NO (reached)**
  - Same as the states IN fringe **NO (reached)**
- When to report the goal?
  - When generated? **Yes**
  - When expanded?