

## Problem Formulation of Missionaries & Cannibals

State Space: All combinations between  $(3,3,1)$  and  $(0,0,0)$  where  $(m, c, b)$

(missionaries left to be transported, cannibals left to be transported, boolean for position of boat)

Initial State:  $(3,3,1)$  which means all 3 cannibals and missionaries are not yet transported and the boat is on the starting side of the river (where all 6 passengers are located)

Goal Test:  $(0,0,0)$  meaning all 6 passengers are transported and the boat is on the end side.

Actions: Alternating arithmetic subtraction and addition with the following combination:

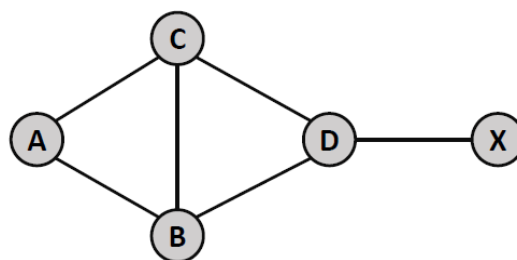
- Subtraction of form  $(m, c, 1)$  from the current state of form  $(m^*, c^*, 1)$ . i.e., the boat crosses the river from start to end side with  $m, c$  passengers where  $1 \leq m + c \leq 2$
- Addition of form  $(m, c, 1)$  to the current state of form  $(m^*, c^*, 0)$ . i.e., the boat crosses the river from ending side back to start side with  $m, c$  passengers where  $1 \leq m + c \leq 2$ .
- Invalid actions are those that result in the resulting form  $(m^*, c^*, b^*)$  where  $m^* < c^*$

Path Cost: Number of actions taken. Each arithmetic operation counts as 1 cost.

## Tree Search vs Graph Search

- a) Graph Search keeps track of explored nodes. Tree Search does not keep track of explored nodes.
- b) State are the representations of the physical configurations of the search problem. Whereas nodes are the data structure that are part of the search tree/graph and it contains, amongst others: the state, parent node, child node action, etc.
- c) It keeps track of nodes that have been expanded and not states. It keeps track of expanded/explored nodes because a node can be reach by more than 1 path, keeping track of these expanded nodes prevent infinite loops.

## BFS & DFS



- a) Run BFS Graph Search:
  1. Frontier: A (Explored: )
  2. Frontier: AB, AC (Explored: A)
  3. Frontier: AC, ABC, ABD (Explored: A, B)
  4. Frontier: ABC, ABD, ACD (Explored: A, B, C)
    - a. Note: C is in explored, ABC skipped. So, expand ABD instead.
  5. Frontier: ACD, **ABDX** (Explored: A, B, C, D)
    - a. Note: ABDX is chosen when goal-tested because X is the solution.
  6. Solution: ABDX

b) Run DFS Graph Search:

1. Frontier: A (Explored: )
2. Frontier: AB, AC (Explored: A)
3. Frontier: AB, ACB, ACD (Explored: A, C)
4. Frontier: AB, ACB, ACDB, **ACDX** (Explored: A, C, D)
  - a. Note: ACDX is chosen when goal-tested because X is the solution.
5. Solution: ACDX

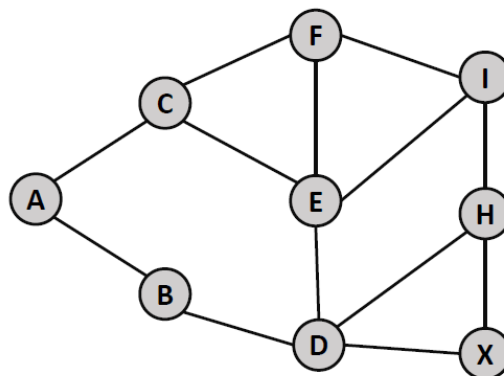
c) BFS Tree Search's additional nodes:

1. ABA when expanding B
2. ACA when expanding C
3. ACB when expanding C

d) DFS Tree Search's additional nodes:

1. ACA when expanding C
2. ACDC when expanding D
3. Nothing else, only the 2 above.

## More BFS/DFS



a) Run BFS Graph Search:

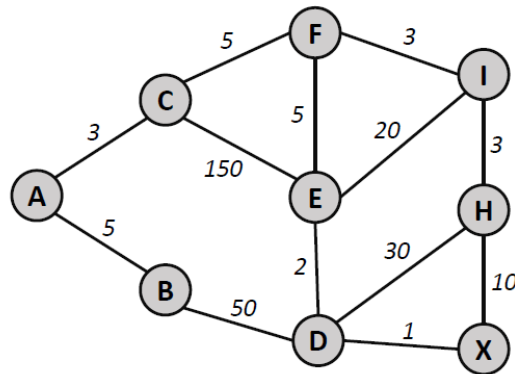
1. Frontier: A (Explored: )
2. Frontier: AB, AC (Explored: A)
3. Frontier: AC, ABD (Explored: A, B)
4. Frontier: ABD, ACE, ACF (Explored: A, B, C)
5. Frontier: ACE, ACF, ABDE, ABDH, **ABDX** (Explored: A, B, C, D)
  - a. Note: ACDX is chosen when goal-tested because X is the solution.
6. Solution: ABDX

b) Run DFS Graph Search:

1. Frontier: A (Explored: )
2. Frontier: AB, AC (Explored: A)
3. Frontier: AB, ACE, ACF (Explored: A, C)
4. Frontier: AB, ACE, ACFE, ACFI (Explored: A, C, F)

5. Frontier: AB, ACE, ACFE, ACFIE, ACFIH (Explored: A, C, F, I)
6. Frontier: AB, ACE, ACFE, ACFIE, ACFIHD, **ACFIHX** (Explored: A, C, F, I, H)
  - a. Note: ACFIHX is when goal-tested chosen because X is the solution.
7. Solution: ACFIHX

## Uniform Cost Search



Run DFS Graph Search:

1. Frontier: A (Explored: )
2. Frontier: AC (3), AB (5) (Explored: A)
3. Frontier: AB (5), ACF (8), ACE (153) (Explored: A, C)
4. Frontier: ACF (8), ABD (55), ACE (153) (Explored: A, C, B)
5. Frontier: ACFI (11), ACFE (13), ABD (55), ACE (153) (Explored: A, C, B, F)
6. Frontier: ACFE (13), ACFIH (14), ACFIE (31), ABD (55), ACE (153) (Explored: A, C, B, F, I)
7. Frontier: ACFIH (14), ACFED (15), ACFIE (31), ABD (55), ACE (153) (Explored: A, C, B, F, I, E)
8. Frontier: ACFED (15), **ACFIHX** (24), ACFIE (31), ACFIHD (44), ABD (55), ACE (153) (Explored: A, C, B, F, I, E, H)
  - Note: although **ACFIHX** is solution, it is not the lowest cost in Priority Queue, so it will not be popped and goal tested. Continue checking.
9. Frontier: **ACFEDX** (16), **ACFIHX** (24), ACFIE (31), ACFIHD (44), ABD (55), ACE (153) (Explored: A, C, B, F, I, E, H, D)
  - Note: **ACFEDX** is lowest cost in Priority Queue, it will be popped in next iteration and goal-tested to be true because X is goal. Thus, making it the optimal solution.
10. Solution: ACFEDX