

AI first class

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To formalize or operationalize (informal problem description \rightarrow formal problem description) Initial state to goal state.

8		6
5	4	7
2	3	1

Initial State

	1	2
3	4	5
6	7	8

Goal State

Figure 1: Problem solving state

For Above 8 puzzle problem,

- States:
 - * A state describes loacation of each 8 tiles.
- Operators:
 - *Blank moves left, right up or down.
- Goal test:
 - *State matches goal configuration

- Path cost:
*Each step costs 1.

As one solve the above problem, it is equivalent to view as going down the tree to reach goal state. We first construct a search tree, the branches are actions.

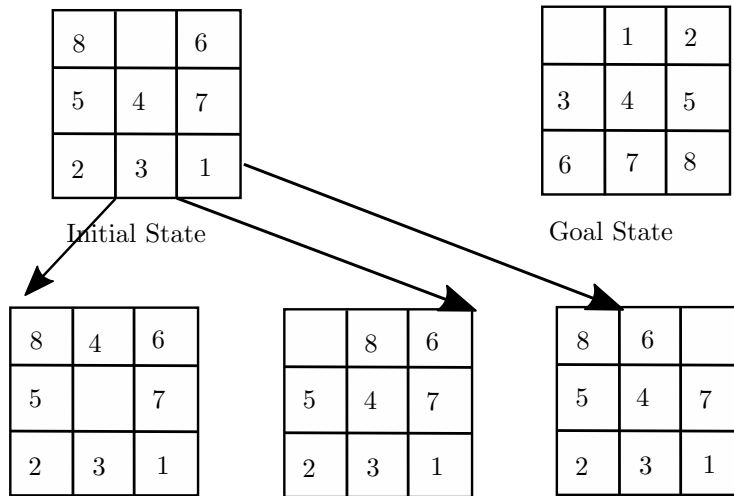


Figure 2: goaltree

In this manner, Traveling Salesman problem can be described formally with above notations. We begin with starting country, and every node is other country visited. However, in Traveling Salesman problem there may be node with same values. In **Graph Search**, we solve this problem by making another data structure that checks visited states. In general, we have Infrastructure for search algorithm

- Child Node: takes parent node and action -> child node
- solution function returns the sequence of actions obtained by following parent pointers back to the
- the frontier is stored in **queue**.
- explored nodes are stored in hash table

For search algorithms, we have : Evaluation criteria

1. Completeness: is it guaranteed to find a solution?
2. Optimality: does it find the optimal solution?
3. Time Complexity: ?
4. Space Complexity: ?

Some expressions to describe graph is:

- b: the branching factor or maximum number of successor of any node
- d: depth (smallest goal node)
- m: maximum length (of search tree)

1 Search

There are about two kind of Search:

- Uninformed search
- Informed search (this is more likely to be seen as "AI")

1.1 Uninformed Search

1.1.1 BFS

Expand the shallowest unexpanded node in frontier.

Time Complexity: $1 + b + b^2 + b^3 + \dots + b^d$

BFS has exponential time complexity!!
very bad.

1.1.2 Uniform cost search

It expands the least-cost unexpanded node on the frontier rather than shallowest node. Make a priority queue, ordered by path cost (allows redundant path if better than old) It finds the least-cost optimal path overall. Time complexity is reduced just by little.

1.1.3 DFS

Expands the deepest unexpanded node in the frontier.

1.1.4 Depth limited search

Equal to the DFS with depth limit l Nodes at depth l has no successors. This does not have the completeness guaranteed, yet, Once one have a idea of diameter, we

1.1.5 Iterative deepening Search

Evaluation: Optimal and complete like breadth-first, and requires modest memory like depth first. however we see that