

# CSE 5525 Artificial Intelligence II

## Homework #1: A\* Search and Minimax

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1. **(3 points)** Assume we run  $\alpha - \beta$  pruning expanding successors from left to right on a game with tree as shown in Figure 1 (a). Then we have that:

- (a) (*true or false*) For some choice of pay-off values, no pruning will be achieved (shown in Figure 1 (a)).
- (b) (*true or false*) For some choice of pay-off values, the pruning shown in Figure 1 (b) will be achieved.
- (c) (*true or false*) For some choice of pay-off values, the pruning shown in Figure 1 (c) will be achieved.
- (d) (*true or false*) For some choice of pay-off values, the pruning shown in Figure 1 (d) will be achieved.
- (e) (*true or false*) For some choice of pay-off values, the pruning shown in Figure 1 (e) will be achieved.
- (f) (*true or false*) For some choice of pay-off values, the pruning shown in Figure 1 (f) will be achieved.

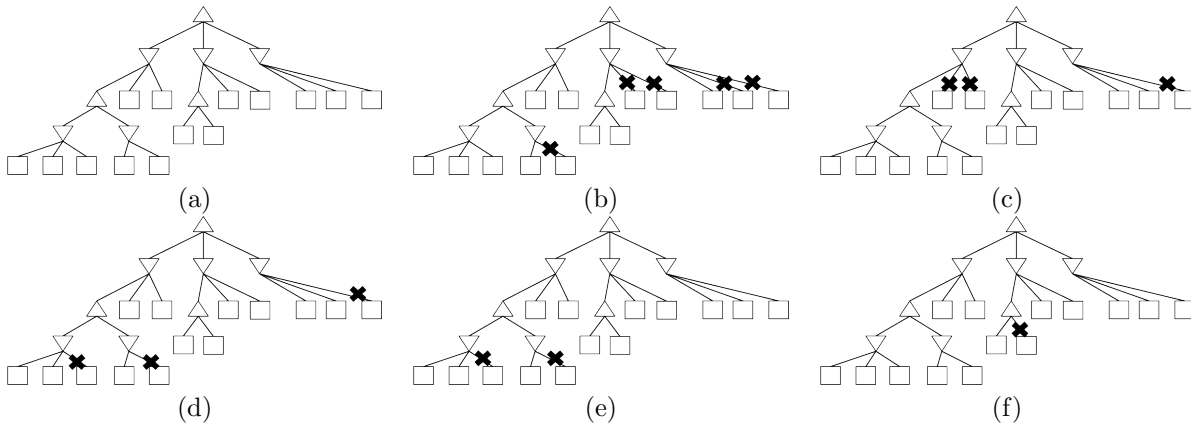


Figure 1: Game trees.

2. The following implementation of graph search may be incorrect. Circle all the problems with the code.

```

function GRAPH-SEARCH(problem, fringe)
  closed  $\leftarrow$  an empty set,
  fringe  $\leftarrow$  INSERT(MAKE-NODE(INITIAL-STATE[problem]), fringe)
  loop
    if fringe is empty then
      return failure
    end if
    node  $\leftarrow$  REMOVE-FRONT(fringe)
    if GOAL-TEST(problem, STATE[node]) then
      return node
    end if
    ADD STATE[node] TO closed
    fringe  $\leftarrow$  INSERTALL(EXPAND(node, problem), fringe)
  end loop
end function

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- (a) Nodes may be expanded twice.
  - (b) The algorithm is no longer complete.
  - (c) The algorithm could return an incorrect solution.
  - (d) None of the above.
3. (2 points) The following implementation of A\* graph search may be incorrect. You may assume that the algorithm is being run with a consistent heuristic. Circle all the problems with the code.

```

function A*-SEARCH(problem, fringe)
  closed  $\leftarrow$  an empty set
  fringe  $\leftarrow$  INSERT(MAKE-NODE(INITIAL-STATE[problem]), fringe)
  loop
    if fringe is empty then
      return failure
    end if
    node  $\leftarrow$  REMOVE-FRONT(fringe)
    if STATE[node] IS NOT IN closed then
      ADD STATE[node] TO closed
      for successor IN GETSUCCESSORS(problem, STATE[node]) do
        fringe  $\leftarrow$  INSERT(MAKE-NODE(successor), fringe)
        if GOAL-TEST(problem, successor) then
          return successor
        end if
      end for
    end if
  end loop
end function

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