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Implement Hill Climbing search algorithm to solve N-Queens problem

Algorithm:

1. Initial State:

Start with a random configuration of 4 Queens on 4x4 board (each Queen in different column)

2. Heuristic function:

The Calculate how many pairs of queens are attacking each other.

3. Generate neighbouring boards:

Move each queen in its column to different rows (one at a time) and calculate new heuristic.

4. Choose the best move:

If any of the new board has lowest heuristic and choose that new board and move on to that board.

5. Repeat the same steps.

6. Termination:

If the newly obtaining board has heuristic value of 0. Then return that board as the goal state.

If no better neighbour, then stop and repeat randomly.

State Space Tree

Initial State

Fourth position

$x_0 = 3$

$x_1 = 1$

$x_2 = 2$

$x_3 = 0$

			Q
	Q		
		Q	
Q			

$h = 2$

swap ( $x_0, x_2$ )

$x_0 = 2$

$x_1 = 1$

$x_2 = 3$

$x_3 = 0$

		Q	
	Q		
			Q
Q			

$h = 1$

Neighbor 1

swap ( $x_0, x_1$ )

$x_0 = 1$

$x_1 = 3$

$x_2 = 2$

$x_3 = 0$

	Q	Q	
Q			Q
		Q	Q
Q	Q		

$h = 0$

neighbour 2

swap ( $x_0, x_3$ )

$x_0 = 0$

$x_1 = 1$

$x_2 = 2$

$x_3 = 3$

Q		Q	
	Q		
		Q	Q
Q			

$h = 1$

neighbour 3

swap ( $x_1, x_2$ )

$x_0 = 3$

$x_1 = 2$

$x_2 = 1$

$x_3 = 0$

			Q
		Q	
	Q		
Q			

$h = 6$

neighbour 4



swap( $x_1, x_3$ )

neighbours

			Q
Q			
		Q	
	Q		

 $h=1$ swap( $x_2, x_3$ )

neighbours

			Q
	Q		
Q			
		Q	

 $h=1$ neighbours (1, 2, 3, 5, 6) has  $h=1$ 

choose neighbour 2.

0 1 2 3

 $x_0 = 1$  $x_1 = 3$  $x_2 = 2$  $x_3 = 0$ 

Q

Q

Q

Q

 $h=1$ Swap( $x_1, x_1$ )  $h=2$ Swap( $x_0, x_2$ )  $h=2$ Swap( $x_0, x_3$ )  $h=4$ 

3		Q	2		Q	0	Q		
1	Q		3		Q	3			Q
2		Q	1	Q		2		Q	
0	Q		0	Q		1	Q		

swap( $x_1, x_2$ )swap( $x_1, x_3$ )swap( $x_2, x_3$ )

1		Q	1		Q	1		Q	
2		Q	0	Q		3			Q
3			Q	2	Q	0	Q		
0	Q		3			Q	2		Q

 $h=0$  $h=4$  $h=2$ 

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Final (goal state).

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