COMP3411 Week 02 Tutorial

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https://github.com/hharryyf/COMP3411-24T1-tutoring

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Solve the following Cryptarithmetic puzzle. State the heuristics and strategies used. The same character represents the same digit and different characters represent different dights.



Recall CSP variable/value selection heuristics

- Minimum Remaining Values
 - Choose the variable with the fewest legal values
- Degree heuristics (Tie-break MRV)
 - Choose the variable with the most constraints on the remaining variables.
- Least Constraining Value
 - Value selection heuristic: choose the value that rules out the fewest values in the remaining variables

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SEND +MORE MONEY

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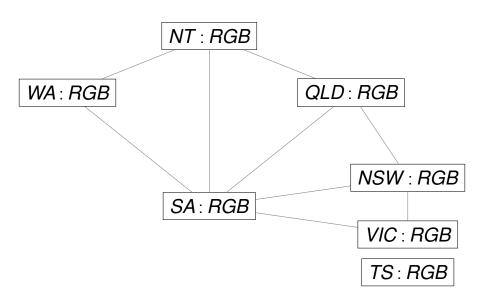
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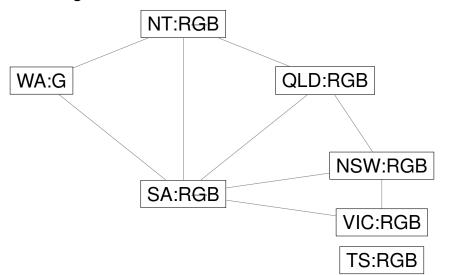
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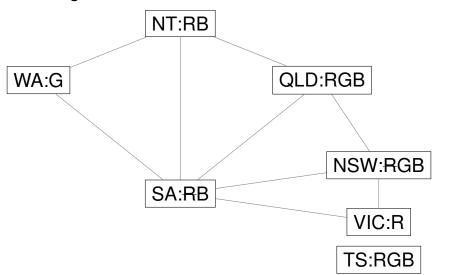
- Forward Checking (FC)
- Maintain Arc consistency (MAC)



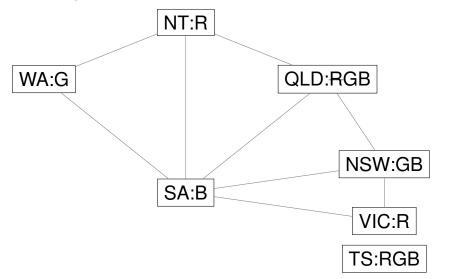
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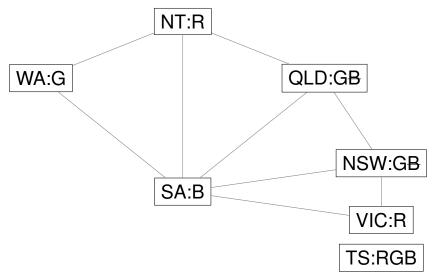
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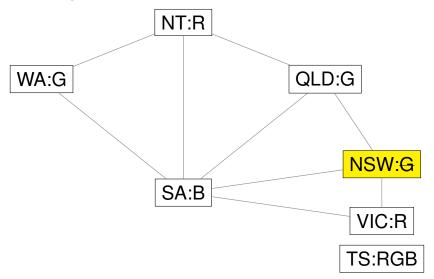
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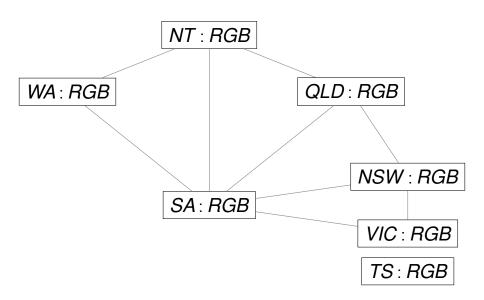


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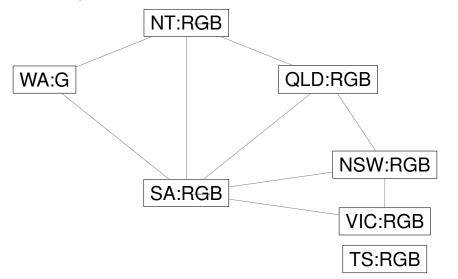


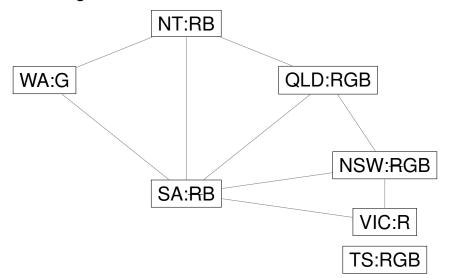
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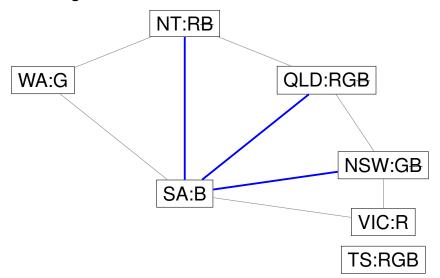


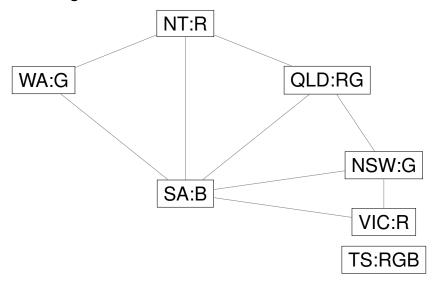


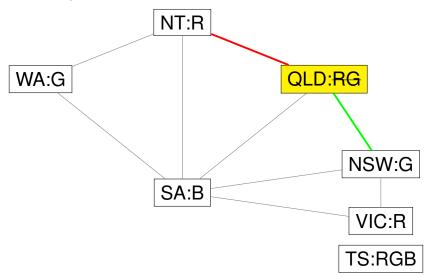
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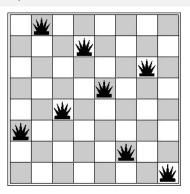


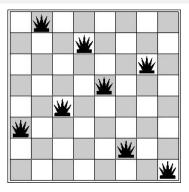




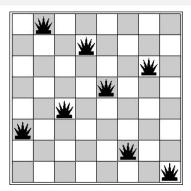




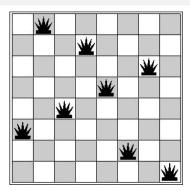




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- Step 1-3 of the algorithm is just hill-climbing, step 4 might help us to escape the local minimum

- If you want to read more about local search, the paper "General local search methods" is highly recommended ¹
- It contains 3 very popular local search methods:
 - Simulated Annealing
 - Tabu Search
 - Genetic Algorithm

¹https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/ 0377221796000070

- We'll skip the problem, you can solve it in your free time
- If you know Prolog or ASP, it is a good exercise