

भारतीय सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान भागलपुर INDIAN INSTITUTE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY BHAGALPUR

An Institute of National Importance Under Act of Parliament





CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the project entitled 8-Puzzle Problem using A* algorithm by the group is a record of their work carried out under my supervision in partial fulfilment of the requirements for the award of the degree of Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science and Engineering.

Dr. Rupam Bhattacharya

Assistant Professor

Department of CSE

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We have taken a lot of deliberations in this venture. But it wouldn't have been conceivable without the help and backing of numerous people. We want to enlarge our true appreciation and thank them.

We take this opportunity to express our profound gratitude and deep regards to our guide Dr. Rupam Bhattacharya sir for his exemplary guidance, monitoring and constant encouragement throughout the course of this project. The blessings, help and guidance given by him time to time shall carry us a long way in the journey of life on which we are about to embark.

We are obliged to all the professors of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering, IIIT Bhagalpur for instilling in us the basic knowledge about the field that greatly benefitted us while carrying out the project and achieving the goal.

ABSTRACT

N-puzzle problem has been one of the basic problem since the beginning of artificial intelligence. The most popular version of n-puzzle among people is 8- puzzle problem. It consists of an area divided into 3x3 grid containing 8 numbered (to identify) tiles and one empty grid. We are given an initial state and we have to reach the goal state which is also specified. Various heuristic involved in the informed search like number of misplaced tiles, Manhattan distance were analysed; Manhattan distance being one of the most popular ones. Drawbacks of the heuristics are mentioned and an improvement in Manhattan distance heuristic is implemented.

TABLE OF CONTENTS

·Certificate
·Acknowledgment
·Abstract
Table of Contents
8 Puzzle Problem by A* using h(n) Manhattan distance
·C- code
·Output
Analysis of A*

8-Puzzzle Problem Using A* Algorithm using h(n) manhattan distance

INITIAL STATE:

4	3	
6	7	2
8	1	5

FINAL STATE:

	1	2
3	4	5
6	7	8

Conditions:

Move can be done only

- Up
- Down
- Left
- Right

Function:

• h(n) = number of misplaced tiles by comparing the current state and the goal state

Initial state

4	3	
6	7	2
8	1	5

Manhattan distance=2+1+2+2+1+1+1+2=12 State 1

4	3	2
6	7	
8	1	5

Manhattan distance = 11

4		3
6	7	2
8	1	5

Manhattan distance = 13

And so, on until goal state is reached

Final state

0	1	2
3	4	5
6	7	8

Manhattan distance = 0

C-CODE:

Some functions used in c code:

- For finding Manhattan distance: manhattan()
- For finding zero and moving zero: alter()
- If we move down, then for finding h(n): diffdown()
- If we move left, then for finding h(n): diffleft()
- If we move right, then for finding h(n): diffright()
- If we move up, then for finding h(n): diffup()
- For finding minimum Manhattan distance: minimum()
- For printing puzzle: display()

```
1 #include <stdio.h>
2 #include <stdlib.h>
3
4 int manhattan(int A[][3], int B[][3]);
5 int alter(int A[][3], int B[][3]);
6 int diffup(int A[][3], int B[][3]);
7 int diffdown(int A[][3], int B[][3]);
8 int diffleft(int A[][3], int B[][3]);
9 int diffright(int A[][3], int B[][3]);
10 int minimum(int a, int b, int c, int d);
11 void display(int A[][3]);
```

IN MAIN FUNCTION WE ARE TAKING INPUT OF INITIAL STATE AND GOAL STATE,

WHILE PROCESSING IF PUZZLE OF NODE IS EQUAL GOAL STATE THEN PRINT THE ALL PATH SOLUTION REACHED TO GOAL STATE

```
12
     int main(int argc, char *argv[])
13
14
           int A[3][3] = \{\{4,3,0\}, \{6,7,2\}, \{8,1,5\}\};
15
             int B[3][3] = \{\{0,1,2\}, \{3,4,5\}, \{6,7,8\}\};
16
              int i, j,d;
17
                 int steps =0 ;
18
                 printf("
                           Target: \n");
19
                 display(B);
20
                 printf("
                            Original: \n");
21
                 display(A);
22
                  printf("\ninitial manhattan distance = %d \n", manhattan(B, A));
23
                  while (1)
24
25
                                   d = manhattan(A, B);
26
                                                  if (d==0)
                                                                { printf("\n\n\n puzzle solved in
     steps : %d\n\n", steps);
                                  return ();
27
28
29
                                                   steps++;
30
31
                                                   printf("\nStep: %d \n", steps);
32
33
                                                   alter(A, B, steps);
34
35
                                                   display(A);
36
37
38
39
40
41
                  return 0;
42
```

▶ Printing puzzle

```
void display(int A[][3])
44
45
               int i,j;
46
47
                     for(i=0;i<3;i++)
48
49
                                         for(j=0;j<3;j++)
50
                                                  printf(" %d ", A[i][j]);
51
                                              printf("\n");
52
53
```

► Finding Manhattan distance

```
int manhattan(int A[][3], int B[][3])
56
57
58
         int counter =0 ,i,j,k,l,m,n,p,s=0;
59
         for(i=0;i<3; i++)
60
61
62
             for( j=0; j<3; j++)
63
64
                 if(A[i][j] != B[i][j])
65
66
                      p=A[i][j];
67
68
                         if((p!=0)&&(B!=0))
                                               for (k=0; k<3; k++)</pre>
69
                            for(1=0;1<3;1++)
70
71
                                if (B[k][l]==p) {
72
                                if(k>i)
73
                                    m=k-i;
74
                                else
75
                                    m=i-k;
                                if(1>j)
76
77
                                    n=1-j;
78
                                else
79
                                    n=j-1;
80
                                s=n+m;
81
82
83
84
                            counter=counter+s;
85
86
87
                   return counter;
88
```

Finding in which direction Manhattan is minimum

```
int alter(int A[][3], int B[][3], int steps)
 91
 92
 93
               int dup, ddown, dleft, dright;
 94
                    int temp, i , j, flag=0, serial=0, q=steps-1;
 95
                      char ran[4], kch[9], change;
 96
 97
                             dup = diffup(A, B);
                         ddown = diffdown(A, B);
99
                         dleft = diffleft(A, B);
100
                        dright = diffright(A, B);
101
102
                     int min = minimum (dup, ddown, dleft, dright);
103
                     if (steps==2)
104
                           change ='1';
105
                       else if (steps==3)
106
                           change='d';
107
108
                         else if (steps==9)
109
                             change='r';
110
                       else
111
                           if (min == dright)
112
                                           ran[serial++] = 'r';
113
                            if (min == dleft)
114
                                        ran[serial++] = 'l';
115
                            if (min == dup)
116
                                         ran[serial++] = 'u';
117
                            if (min == ddown)
118
                                                    ran[serial++] = 'd';
119
120
121
                                    int sel = rand() % serial;
122
123
                                     change = ran[sel];
124
125
```

Move right

```
125
126
127
                                       if (change == 'r')
128
                                        {for(i=0;i<3;i++)
129
130
                                            for (j=0;j<2;j++)
131
132
133
                                                 if(A[i][j]==0)
134
                                                { A[i][j] = A[i][j+1]; A[i][j] printf("\n minimum manhattan distance = %d
                                                                                          A[i][j+1] = 0;
135
       \n", manhattan(B, A));
136
                                                 printf(" right\n"); return 0; }
137
138
139
```

Move left

```
139
140
                                 else if(change == '1')
141
142
                                  {for(i=0;i<3;i++)
143
144
                                     for (j=1; j<3; j++)
145
146
                                                              A[i][j] = A[i][j-1];
147
                                          if (A[i][j]==0)
     A[i][j-1] = 0;
148
                                         printf("\n minimum manhattan distance = %d
      \n", manhattan(B, A));
                                           printf(" left\n");return 0; }
149
150
151
152
```

Move up

```
153
154
155
                                         else if (change == 'u')
156
157
                                         {for(i=1;i<3;i++)
158
159
                                              for (j=0;j<3;j++)
160
161
                                                   if (A[i][j]==0)
                                                      { A[i][j] = A[i-1][j]; A[i-1][j] = 0; printf("\n minimum manhattan distance = %d
162
163
       \n", manhattan(B, A));
164
                                                  printf(" up\n"); return 0;}
165
166
167
168
```

Move down

```
169
170
                                  else if(change == 'd')
171
172
                                  {for(i=0;i<2;i++)
173
174
                                      for (j=0;j<3;j++)
175
176
                                           if(A[i][j]==0)
177
                                                     A[i][j] = A[i+1][j];
                                                                             A[i+1][j] = 0;
                                           printf("\n minimum manhattan distance = %d
178
      \n", manhattan(B, A));
179
                                            printf(" down\n"); return 0; }
180
181
182
183
184
185
                                  return 0;
186
```

► Check Manhattan distance if we will move up

```
189
190
      int diffup(int A[][3], int B[][3])
191
192
                int temp[3][3], i, j;
193
194
                     for(i=0;i<3;i++)
                            for (j=0;j<3;j++)</pre>
195
196
                                     temp[i][j] = A[i][j];
197
198
                      for(i=1;i<3;i++)
199
                                  for (j=0;j<3;j++)
200
201
                                  if(A[i][j]==0)
202
203
204
205
                                      temp[i-1][j] = 0;
206
207
                                      temp[i][j] = A[i-1][j];
208
209
210
                          return manhattan (temp, B);
211
212
```

► Check Manhattan distance if we will move down

```
212
213
      int diffdown(int A[][3], int B[][3])
214
                int temp[3][3], i, j;
215
216
217
218
                for(i=0;i<3;i++)
219
220
                    for (j=0;j<3;j++)</pre>
221
222
223
                        temp[i][j] = A[i][j];
224
225
226
                for(i=0;i<2;i++)
227
228
229
                    for (j=0;j<3;j++)
230
231
                         if(A[i][j]==0)
232
233
234
235
                             temp[i+1][j] = 0;
236
                             temp[i][j] = A[i+1][j];
237
238
239
240
                           return manhattan (temp, B);
241
242
```

▶ Check Manhattan distance if we will move left

```
242
243
      int diffleft(int A[][3], int B[][3])
244
               int temp[3][3], i, j;
245
               for(i=0;i<3;i++)
246
247
              for (j=0;j<3;j++)
248
249
                        temp[i][j] = A[i][j];
250
               for(i=0;i<3;i++)
251
252
                   for (j=1;j<3;j++)
253
254
255
                        if(A[i][j]==0)
256
257
258
259
                            temp[i][j-1] = 0;
260
261
                            temp[i][j] = A[i][j-1];
262
263
                          return manhattan (temp, B);
264
265
```

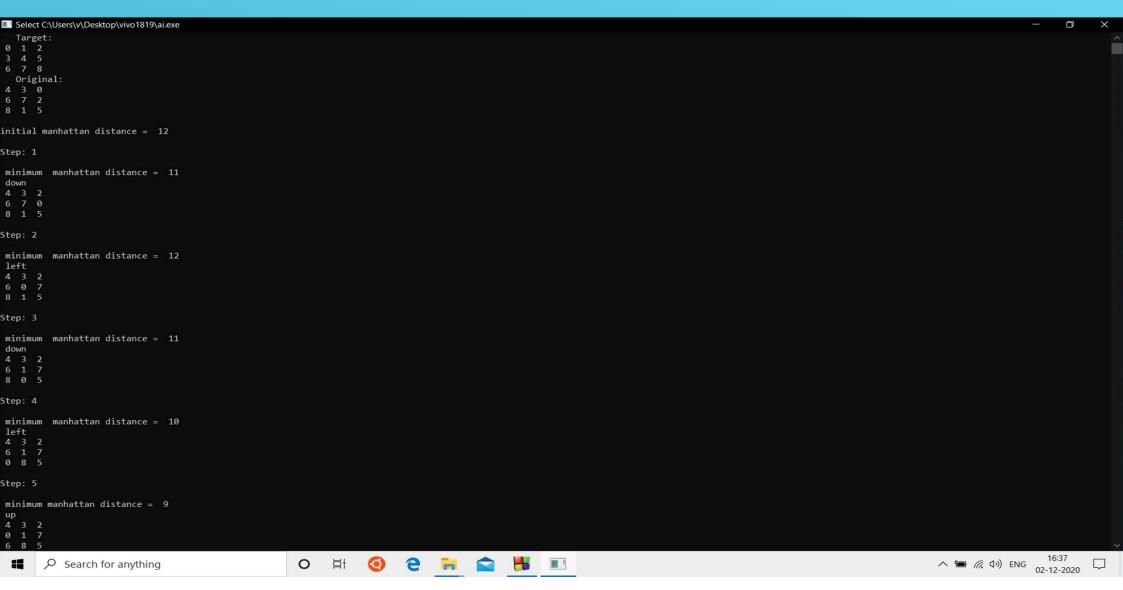
► Check Manhattan distance if we will move right

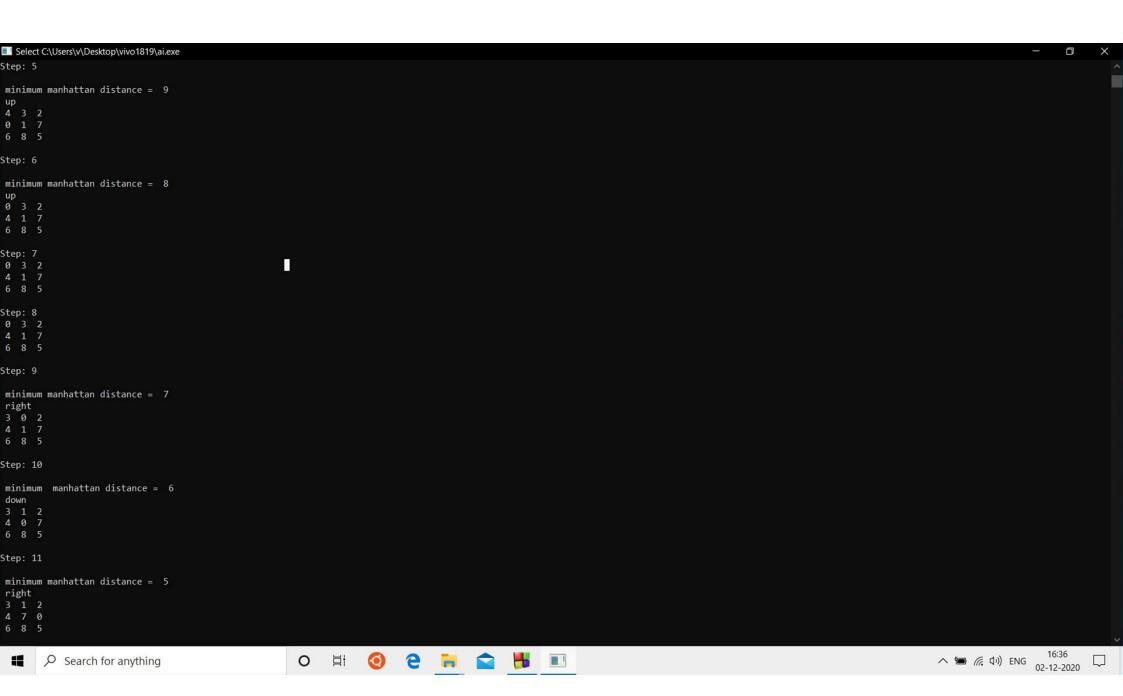
```
266
      int diffright(int A[][3], int B[][3])
267
268
                int temp[3][3], i, j;
269
                for(i=0;i<3;i++)
270
271
                    for (j=0;j<3;j++)
272
                        temp[i][j] = A[i][j];
273
274
                for(i=0;i<3;i++)
275
                    for (j=0;j<2;j++)
276
                        if(A[i][j]==0)
277
278
279
                             temp[i][j+1] = 0;
280
                            temp[i][j] = A[i][j+1];
281
282
283
                return manhattan (temp, B);
284
285
286
```

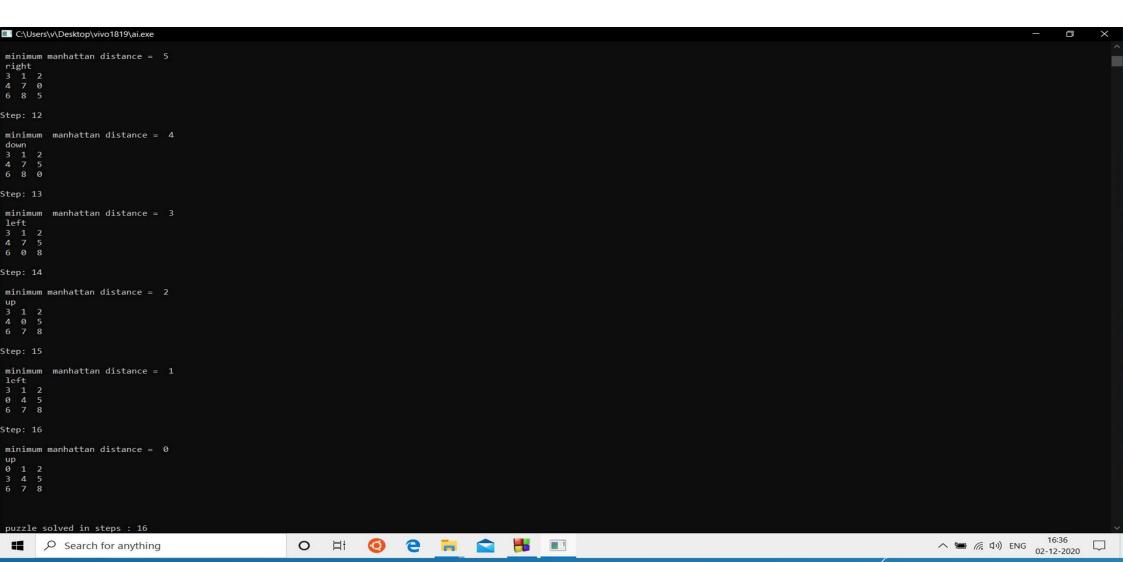
► Finding minimum manhattan

```
200
287
288
      int minimum (int a, int b, int c , int d)
289
290
          int min = a;
291
          if (b<min)
292
               min= b;
293
          if (c<min)
294
               min = c;
295
          if (d<min)</pre>
296
               min = d;
297
298
299
300
          return min;
301
302
```

► OUTPUT:







NO. OF STEPS REQUIRED TO SOLVE THE PUZZLE: 16 STEPS

ANALYSIS OF A*:

- A* is optimally efficient. i.e. if there exists a path from start to goal node then a* guarantees to find the optimal path.
- It is complete i.e., if a solution exists then it is found.
- Complexity-As the algorithm is optimally efficient so other algorithm can guarantee to examine fewer nodes. However
- Time complexity exponential O(b^d)
- where b=branching factor
- d= depth of the tree.
- space complexity- exponential O(b^d)
- It stores all the nodes generated in the open list.