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M2:: Problem Solving Agent using Search

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Course Plan

M1	Introduction to Al
M2	Problem Solving Agent using Search
M3	Game Playing
M4	Knowledge Representation using Logics
M5	Probabilistic Representation and Reasoning
M6	Reasoning over time, Reinforcement Learning
M7	Ethics in Al



Learning Objective

At the end of this class, students Should be able to:

- 1. Compare given heuristics for a problem and analyze which is the best fit
- 2. Design relaxed problem with appropriate heuristic design
- 3. Prove the designed relaxed problem heuristic is admissible
- 4. Differentiate which local search is best suitable for given problem
- 5. Design fitness function for a problem
- 6. Construct a search tree
- Apply appropriate local search and show the working of algorithm at least for first
 iterations with atleast four next level successor generation(if search tree is large)
- 8. Design and show Genetic Algorithm steps for a given problem



Module 2: Problem Solving Agent using Search

- A. Uninformed Search
- B. Informed Search
- C. Heuristic Functions
- D. Local Search Algorithms & Optimization Problems



Design of Heuristics



Heuristic Design

- Effective Branching Factor
- Good Heuristics
- Notion of Relaxed Problems
- Generating Admissible Heuristics

Effective branching factor (b*):

If the algorithm generates N number of nodes and the solution is found at depth d, then

$$N + 1 = 1 + (b^*) + (b^*)^2 + (b^*)^3 + ... + (b^*)^d$$



Heuristic Design

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Simplify the problem

Assume no constraints

Cost of optimal solution to relaxed problem ≤ Cost of optimal solution for real problem



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Q1		innovate	achieve	lead
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Initial State

Construct the search tree by considering one row of the board at a time

> State space graph of relaxed problem is a super graph of original state space because of removal of restrictions

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	Q2		

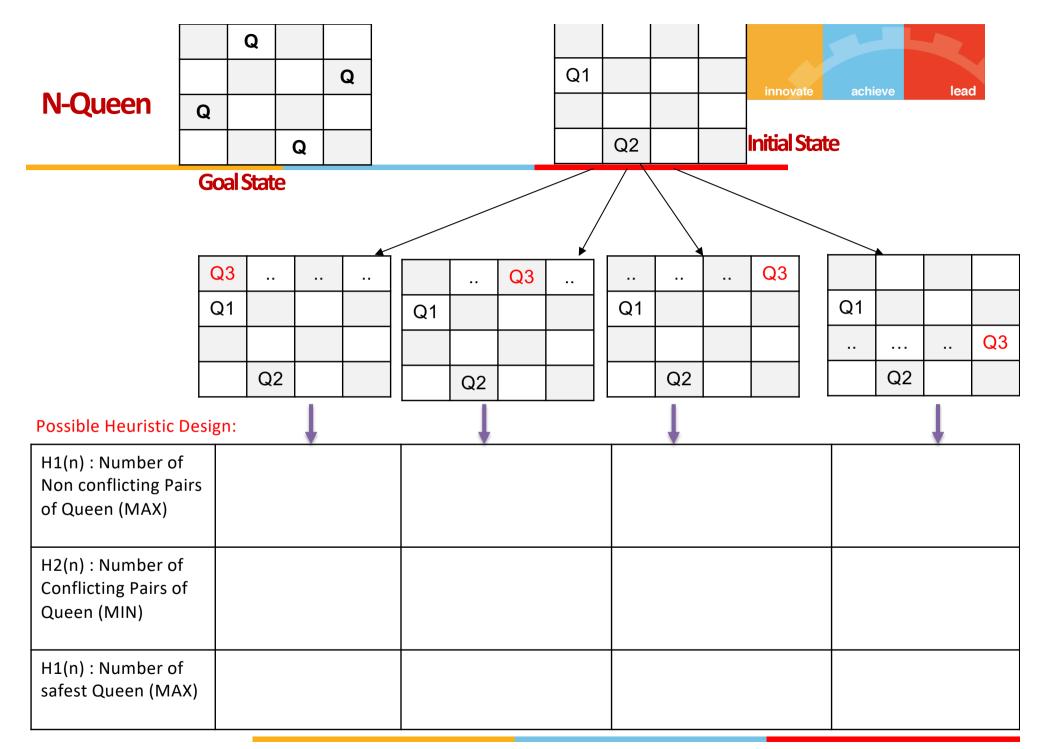
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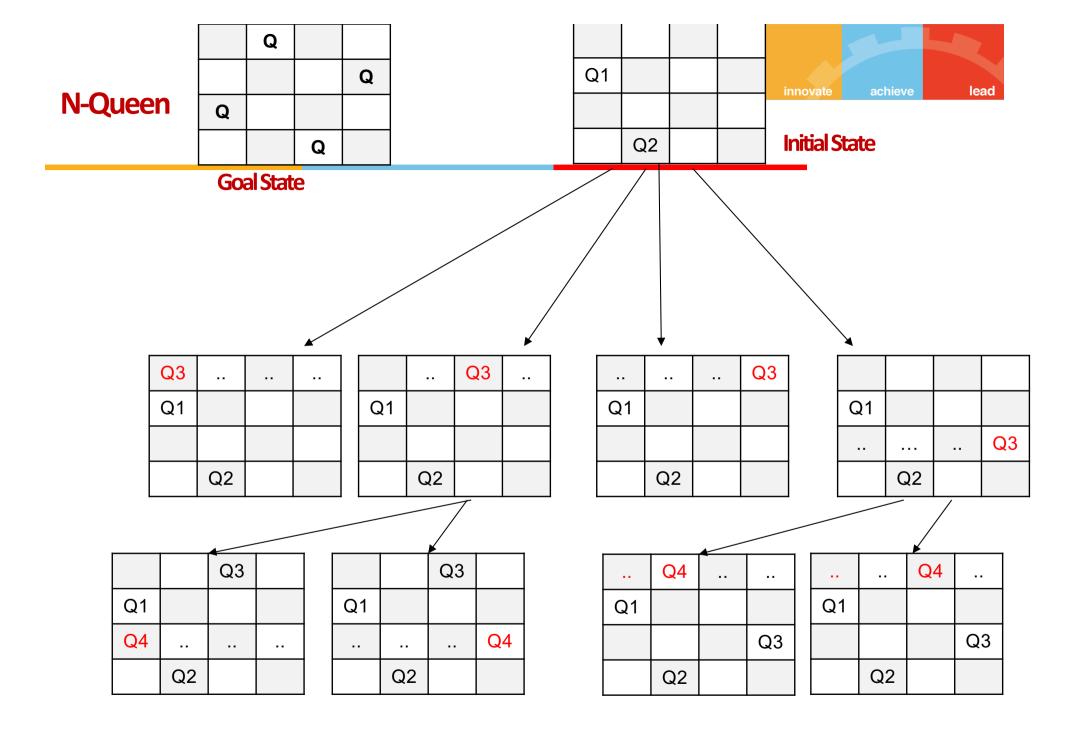
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Q2

Q1			
		:	Q3
	Q2		

	Initial State	Possible Actions	Transition Model	Goal Test	Path Cost	No.Of.States
ı	< Xi , Yi >	Place in any non-occupied row in board		isValid Non-Attacking	Transition + Valid Queens	n!





N-Tile

ı	1	2
3	4	5
6	7	8

1	7	6
4	8	5
-	2	3

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innovate	achieve	lead

Initial State

Goal State

• Effective Branching Factor

: ~3

: Avg.cost = 18

: No.of.States = \sim 3 ¹⁸

Graph states: 9!/2 = 181, 440 states

1	7	6
4	8	5
2	1 1	3

	\rightarrow	
1	7	6
-	8	5
4	2	3

1	7	6
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1	7	6
8	1	5
4	2	3

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Initial State	Possible Actions	Transition Model	Goal Test	Path Cost	No.Of.States
<loc, id=""></loc,>	Move Empty to near by Tile		ID=LOC+1	Transition + Positional + Distance+ Other approaches	9!

N-Tile

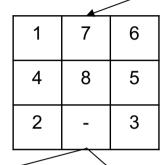
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Initial State

Goal State



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Possible Heuristic Design:

H1(n): Manhattan distance of Empty tile	
H1(n) : Manhattan distance of all labelled tile	
H1(n): Number of Misplaced tile (MAX)	

Learn from experience

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Trail / Puzzle	X1(n) : No.of.Misplac ed Tiles	X2(n): Pair of adjacent tiles that are not in goal	X3(n): Position of the empty tile	h`(n)
Example 1	7	10	7	
Example 2	5	6	6	

-	1	2
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Create a suitable model:

$$h(n) = c1*X1(n) + c2*X2(n) + \dots$$



Local Search & Optimization

Local Search



Optimization Problem

Goal: Navigate through a state space for a given problem such that an optimal solution can be found

Objective: Minimize or Maximize the objective evaluation function value

Scope: Local

Objective Function: Fitness Value evaluates the goodness of current solution

Local Search: Search in the state-space in the neighbourhood of current position until an optimal solution is found

Single Instance Based Multiple Instance Based

Hill Climbing Genetic Algorithm

Simulated Annealing Particle Swarm Optimization

Local Beam Search Ant Colony Optimization

Tabu Search

Local Search



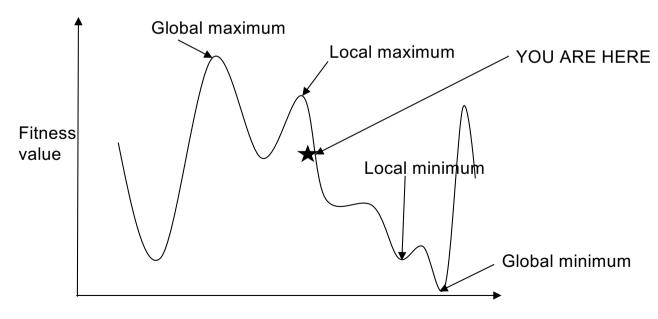
Terminology

Local Search: Search in the state-space in the neighbourhood of current position until an optimal solution is found

Algorithms:

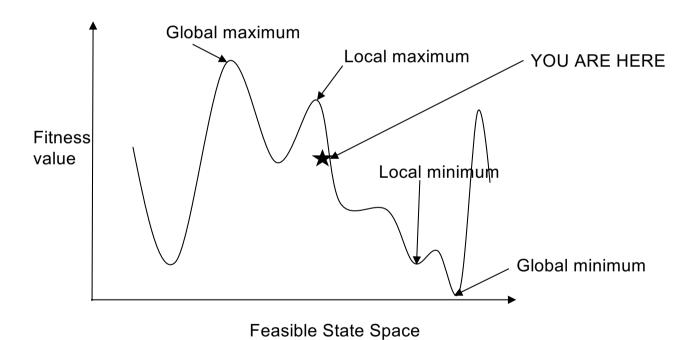
- Choice of Neighbor
- Looping Condition
- Termination Condition

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Feasible State Space

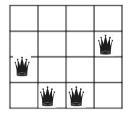






Random Restart

- Select a random state
- 2. Evaluate the fitness scores for all the successors of the state
- 3. Select the next state based on the highest fitness
- 4. Repeat from Step 2



3 4 4 2 3

function HILL-CLIMBING(problem) returns a state that is a local maximum

 $current \leftarrow Make-Node(problem.Initial-State)$

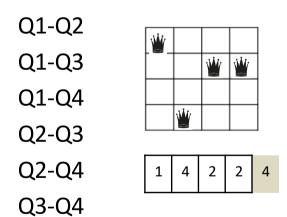
loop do

 $neighbor \leftarrow$ a highest-valued successor of current if neighbor. Value \leq current. Value then return current. State $current \leftarrow neighbor$



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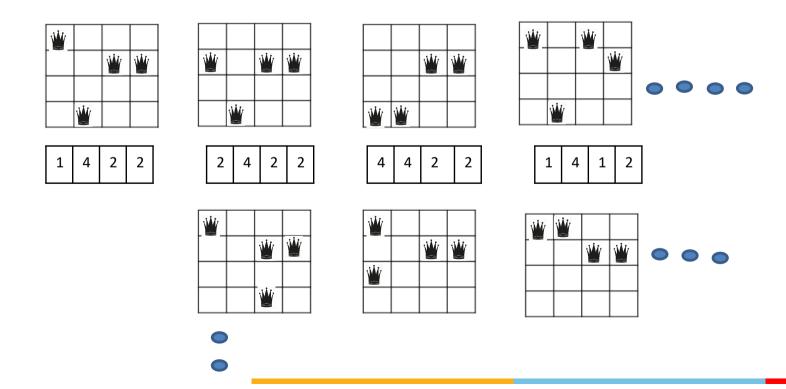
h(n) = No.of non-conflicting pairs of queens in the board.



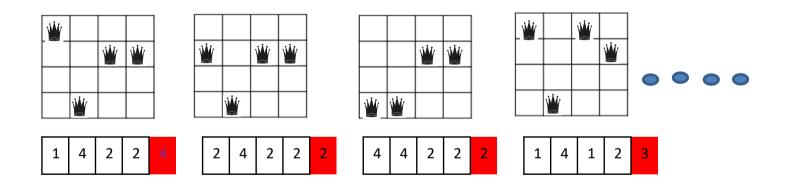
Note: Steps 3 & 4 in the above algorithm will be a part of variation of Hill climbing



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- 2. Evaluate the fitness scores for all the successors of the state





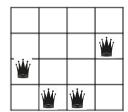


Local Maxima → Random Restart



Random Restart

- 1. Select a random state
- 2. Evaluate the fitness scores for all the successors of the state
- 3. Calculate the probability of selecting a successor based on fitness score
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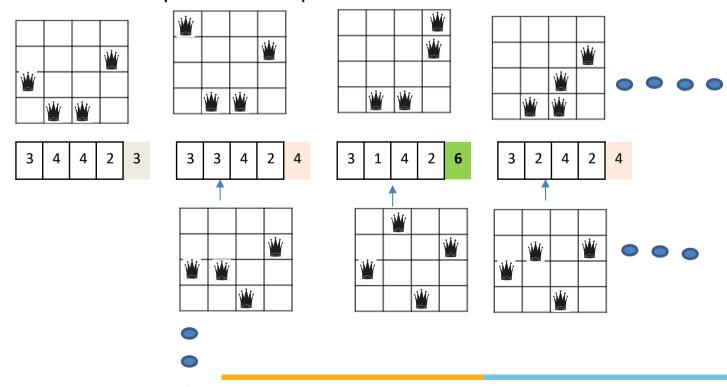
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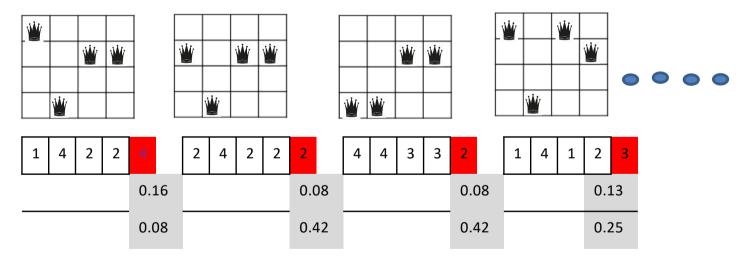
Stochastic Hill Climbing

 $\begin{array}{l} next \leftarrow \text{a randomly selected successor of } current \\ \Delta E \leftarrow next. \text{VALUE} - current. \text{VALUE} \\ \text{if } \Delta E > 0 \text{ then } current \leftarrow next \\ \text{else } current \leftarrow next \text{ only with probability } e^{\Delta E/T} \end{array}$



Stochastic Hill Climbing

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 $12 N = \{4,2,2,3,3,2,1,3,2,1,3,2\}$



Simulated Annealing

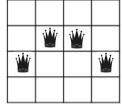


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function SIMULATED-ANNEALING(problem, schedule) returns a solution state inputs: problem, a problem schedule, \text{ a mapping from time to "temperature"} current \leftarrow \text{MAKE-NODE}(problem.\text{INITIAL-STATE}) \textbf{for } t = 1 \textbf{ to} \propto \textbf{do} T \leftarrow schedule(t) \textbf{if } T = 0 \textbf{ then return } current next \leftarrow \textbf{ a randomly selected successor of } current \Delta E \leftarrow next.\text{VALUE} - current.\text{VALUE} \textbf{if } \Delta E > 0 \textbf{ then } current \leftarrow next \textbf{else } current \leftarrow next \textbf{ only with probability } e^{\Delta E/T}
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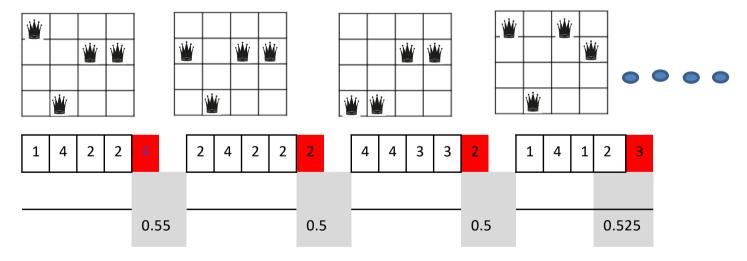


Simulated Annealing

- 1. Select a random state
- 2. Evaluate the fitness scores for all the successors of the state
- 3. Calculate the probability of selecting a successor based on fitness score



- 4. Select the next state based on the highest probability
- 5. Repeat from Step 2





Simulated Annealing

Current Value = 4 (Local Maxima)

Global Maxima = 6

Next Value	ΔΕ	ΔE/t	$e^{\Delta E/t}$	$\frac{1}{1 + e^{\Delta E/t}}$	ΔE/t	$e^{\Delta E/t}$	$\frac{1}{1+e^{\Delta E/t}}$
2	2	0.1	1.12	0.47	0.4	1.49	0.40
3	1	0.05	1.05	0.49	0.2	1.22	0.45
5	-1	-0.05	0.95	0.51	-0.2	0.82	0.55





Maximization problem design to achieve global minima

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Set Temp to very high temp t
Set n as number of iteration to be performed at a particular t
L1: Randomly select a random neighbour
Calculate Energy barrier E = f(N)-f(C)
If E > 0 then its a good move
    Move ahead for next tree search level
Else
    Create a random number r:[0-1]
    If r < e^{-E/t}
           Choose this bad state & move downhill
    Else
           Go to L1.
If Goal is reached or {acceptable goal(set criteria to check )node is reached & t is small END}
Else
    If no.of.neighbors explored has reached a threshold >=n
           then Lower t and go to L1.
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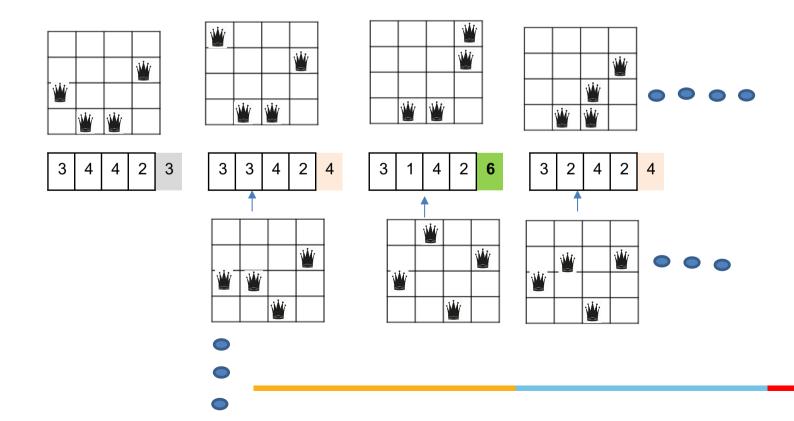


Local Beam Search

Beam Search



- 1. Initialize k random state
- 2. Evaluate the fitness scores for all the successors of the k states
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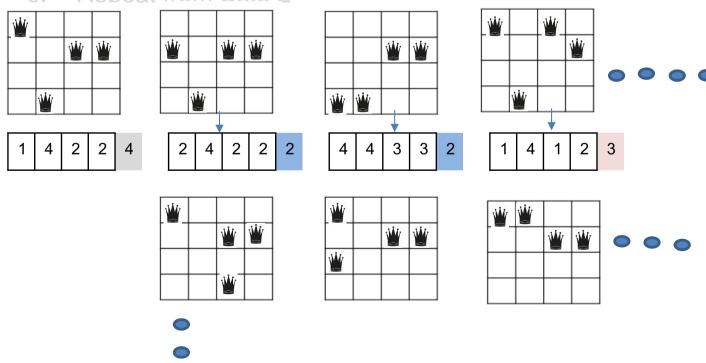
Stochastic Beam Search



Sample from 1st State

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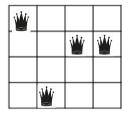
Genetic Algorithm



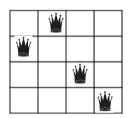
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function GENETIC-ALGORITHM(population, FITNESS-FN) returns an individual
  inputs: population, a set of individuals
           FITNESS-FN, a function that measures the fitness of an individual
  repeat
      new\_population \leftarrow empty set
      for i = 1 to SIZE(population) do
          x \leftarrow \text{RANDOM-SELECTION}(population, FITNESS-FN)
          y \leftarrow RANDOM-SELECTION(population, FITNESS-FN)
          child \leftarrow REPRODUCE(x, y)
          if (small random probability) then child \leftarrow MUTATE(child)
          add child to new_population
      population \leftarrow new\_population
  until some individual is fit enough, or enough time has elapsed
  return the best individual in population, according to FITNESS-FN
function REPRODUCE(x, y) returns an individual
  inputs: x, y, parent individuals
  n \leftarrow \text{LENGTH}(x); c \leftarrow \text{random number from 1 to } n
  return APPEND(SUBSTRING(x, 1, c), SUBSTRING(y, c + 1, n))
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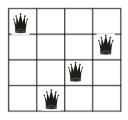
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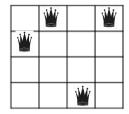
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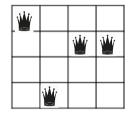
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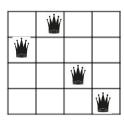
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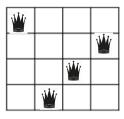
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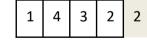


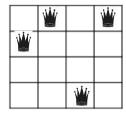
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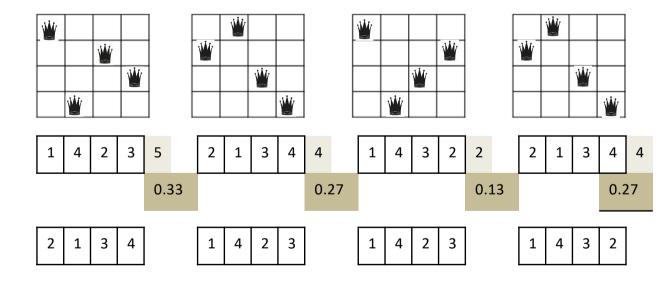






Genetic Algorithm – Example 1

Eg., use roulette wheel mechanism to select pair/s



Proportion

B1 B2 B3 B4

Sample winners of game -1,2,3,4: B4, B1, B1, B3

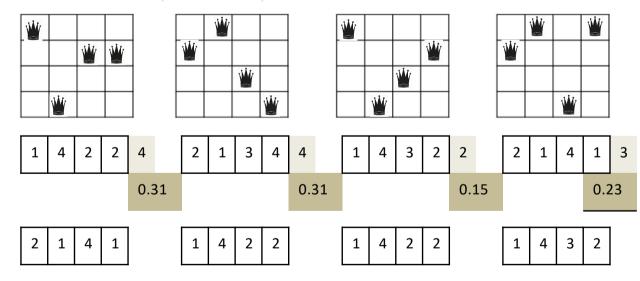




Genetic Algorithm – Example 2

Selection

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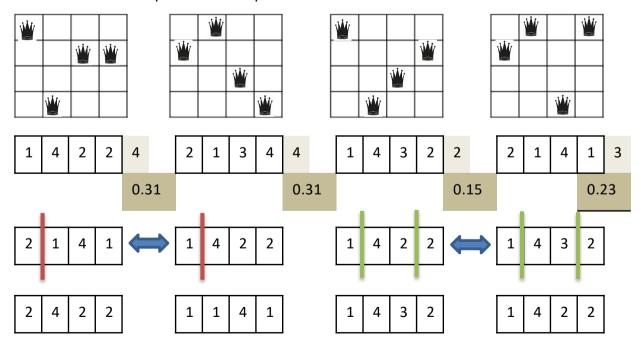
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Genetic Algorithm - Example 2

Crossover



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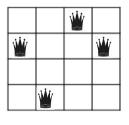


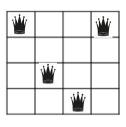
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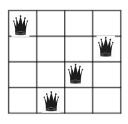
Mutation

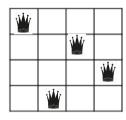


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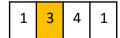








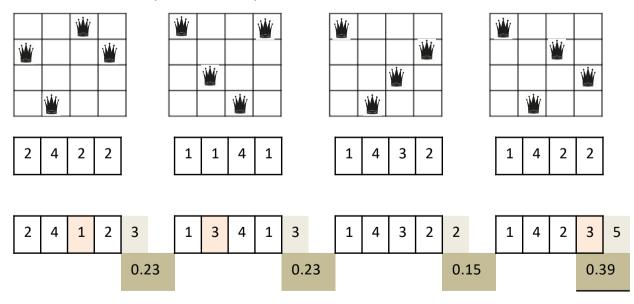






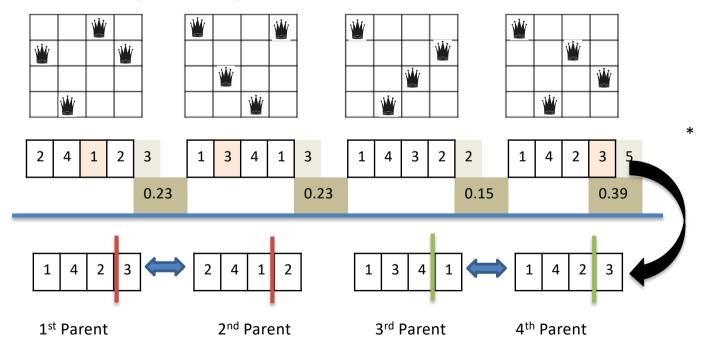
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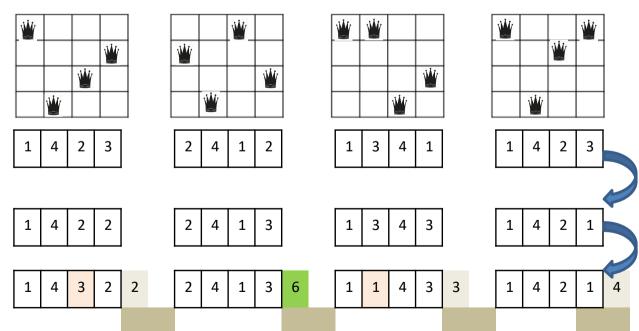
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Other crossover and mutation operators are shared in separate document & uploaded in the elearn portal



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Techniques:

- 1. Design of the fitness function
- 2. Diversity in the population to be accounted
- 3. Randomization

Application:

- Creative tasks
- > Exploratory in nature
- Planning problem
- Static Applications

Required Reading: AIMA - Chapter # 4.1, #4.2

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