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1	2	3
4	5	6
7	8	

Goal

State

minimize $\rightarrow \triangle$

maximize $\rightarrow \nabla$

1	3	2
5	4	6
8	7	

1	3	2
5	4	
8	7	6

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This is a state space Tree. Each of the node represents a state. The goal node will also be the leaf node.

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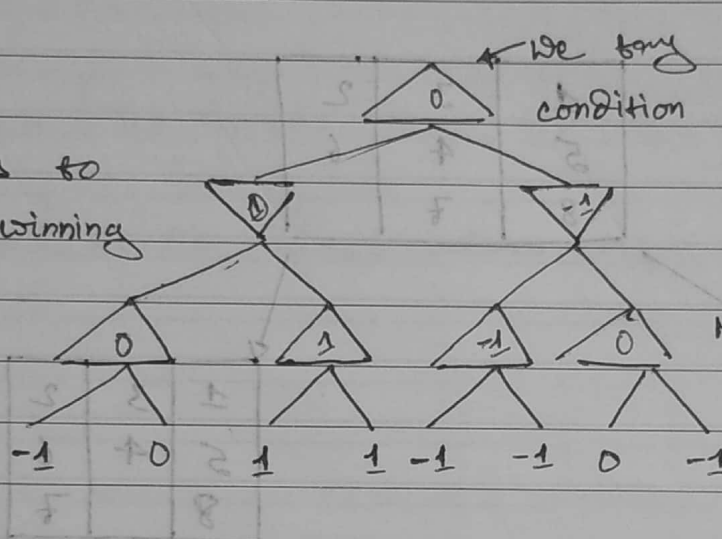


Maximize



Minimize

Opponent tries to minimize our winning condition.



State Space Tree of two player game

Win = 1

Lose = -1

Draw = 0

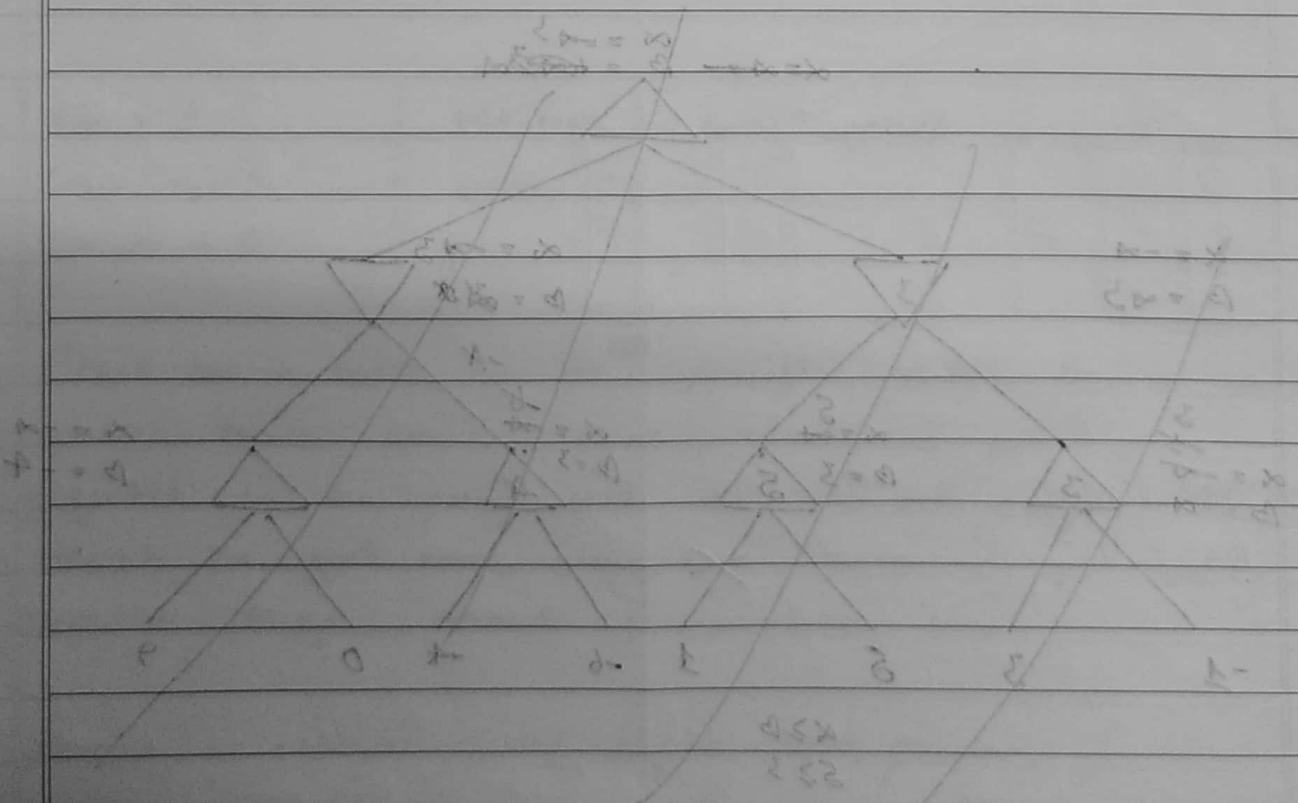
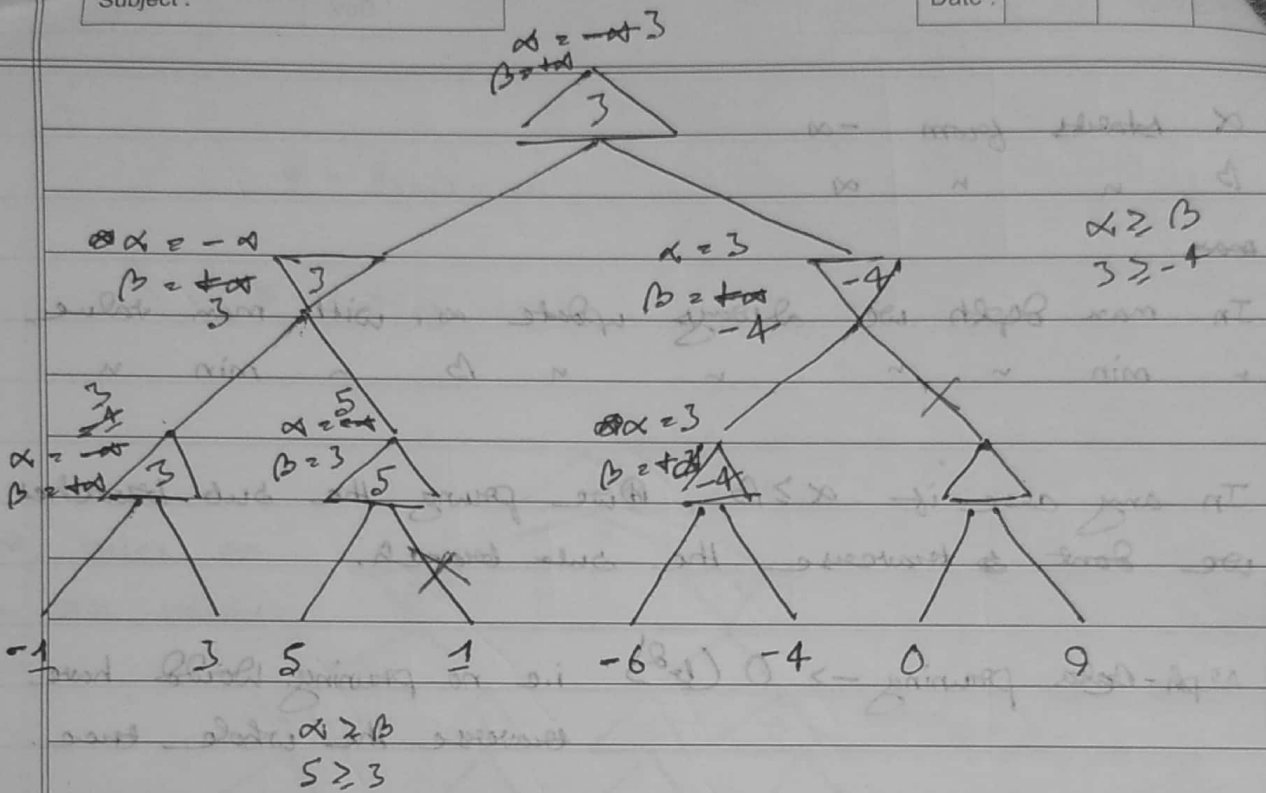
Min-Max is being applied for each computer turn.

Chess has a total of 10^{120} possible states. So, a state space tree for a game of chess would be gigantic to the point that we can not comprehend. To reach the goal node every time, traversing depth would require huge amount of computation time.

Pruning is achieved using alpha-beta pruning.

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MIN MAX, MIN = -1000, MAX = 1000

def minimax (depth, nodeIndex, maximizing Player, values, alpha, beta):

if depth == 3:

return values [nodeIndex]

if maximizing Player:

maxEval = MIN

for i in range (0, 2):

EVal = minimax (depth+1, nodeIndex*2+i, False, values, alpha, beta)

maxEval = max (maxEval, EVal)

alpha = max (alpha, maxEval)

if beta < alpha:

break

return maxEval

else:

maxEval = MAX

for i in range (0, 2):

EVal = minimax (depth+1, nodeIndex*2+i, True, values, alpha, beta)

maxEval = min (maxEval, EVal)

beta = min (beta, maxEval)

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if beta < alpha :

break

return MinEval

values = [-1, 3, 5, 1, -6, -4, 0, 9]

minimax (0, 0, True, values, MIN, MAX)