

Local Search: 8-Queens Problem

Due Oct 5, 2020 by 11:59pm **Points** 35 **Submitting** a file upload

Consider the 8-queens problem as described in the book.

Write a function

hillclimb_sa

That uses hill climbing with steepest-ascent to attempt to solve the problem. Have your code detect a plateau or local maximum and give up if those are encountered.

Next, write a function

hillclimb_fc

That implements first-choice hill climbing for the same problem.

Next, write a function

sim_anneal

That implements simulated annealing for the problem. Choose your temperature and schedule.

Analysis

Generate a large number of random initial states and run each of your algorithms on those states. Calculate the average number of steps overall for each of the algorithms to find a solution. (If an algorithm fails to find a solution, don't count that.) Writeup your results and put them in readme.txt

Grading:

Steepest-ascent - 10

First-choice - 10

Simulated annealing - 10

Analysis - 5

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Criteria	Ratings					Pts
Steepest-ascent - 10 pts	10 pts Full Marks	8 pts Minor mistakes	6 pts Mistakes (code/ output) but idea is correct	3 pts incorrect answer (code is has major mistakes, producing incorrect results)	0 pts No Marks	10 pts
First-choice - 10 pts	10 pts Full Marks	8 pts Minor mistakes	6 pts Mistakes (code/ output) but idea is correct	3 pts incorrect answer (code is has major mistakes, producing incorrect results)	0 pts No Marks	10 pts
Simulated annealing - 10 pts	10 pts Full Marks	8 pts Minor mistakes	6 pts Mistakes (code/ output) but idea is correct	3 pts incorrect answer (code is has major mistakes, producing incorrect results)	0 pts No Marks	10 pts
Analysis - 5 pts	5 pts Full Marks	4 pts Minor mistakes	3 pts Mistakes (code/ output) but idea is correct	2 pts incorrect answer (code is has major mistakes, producing incorrect results)	0 pts No Marks	5 pts
Total Points: 35						