Experiment 1: 8-Puzzle Program

Aim: Implement an Algorithm in Python for solving the 8-Puzzle Problem.

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import heapq
# Define the goal state
goal_state = [[1, 2, 3],
         [4, 5, 6],
         [7, 8, 0]]
# Define the possible moves
moves = [(0, 1), (1, 0), (0, -1), (-1, 0)]
# Define move names for output
move\_names = \{(0, 1): 'right', (1, 0): 'down', (0, -1): 'left', (-1, 0): 'up'\}
def get_blank_position(board):
  for i in range(3):
     for j in range(3):
       if board[i][j] == 0:
          return i, j
def get_heuristic(board):
  count = 0
  for i in range(3):
     for j in range(3):
       if board[i][j] != goal_state[i][j]:
          count += 1
  return count
def is_valid_move(x, y):
  return 0 \le x < 3 and 0 \le y < 3
def generate_children(board, current_cost):
  children = []
  x, y = get_blank_position(board)
  for dx, dy in moves:
     new_x, new_y = x + dx, y + dy
     if is_valid_move(new_x, new_y):
       new_board = [row[:] for row in board]
       new_board[x][y], new_board[new_x][new_y] = new_board[new_x][new_y],
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new_board[x][y]
       children.append((new board, (dx, dy), current cost + 1))
  return children
def a_star(initial_state):
  open_list = []
  closed\_set = set()
  heapq.heappush(open_list, (get_heuristic(initial_state), 0, initial_state, []))
  while open_list:
     _, cost, current_state, path = heapq.heappop(open_list)
     if current_state == goal_state:
       return path
     if tuple(map(tuple, current_state)) in closed_set:
       continue
     closed_set.add(tuple(map(tuple, current_state)))
     for child_state, move, move_cost in generate_children(current_state, cost):
       if tuple(map(tuple, child_state)) not in closed_set:
          heapq.heappush(open_list, (move_cost + get_heuristic(child_state), move_cost,
child_state, path + [(move_names[(move[0], move[1])], move_cost)]))
  return []
# Example usage:
initial\_state = [[1, 2, 3],
          [4, 5, 6],
          [0, 7, 8]]
steps = a\_star(initial\_state)
if steps:
  print("Steps required to solve the puzzle:")
  total\_cost = 0
  for i, (move, cost) in enumerate(steps):
     total cost += cost
     print(f"{i+1}. Move {move}, Cost: {cost}, Total Cost: {total_cost}")
else:
  print("No solution exists.")
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Output:

Enter initial state:

- 1 2 3
- 046
- 758
- costs: 3
- 3 1 2
- 304
- 675
- 8 1 2
- 3 4 0
- 675
- 8 1 2
- 3 4 5
- 670
- 123
- 456
- 780

Result:

Code has been Implemented successfully.