

Lab - 04 : 8 Queens Problem

8 Queens Using Hill Climbing Search

Algorithm

Step 1: Take input from User

- Initial positions of queens provided by the user as a list (8 elements, each from 0 to 7)
- Maximum number of iterations.

Step 2: Procedure Hill Climbing 8 Queens

1. Initialize current-state \leftarrow user-provided initial state.
2. Set current-value \leftarrow Calculate Conflicts (current)
3. for each iteration from 1 to max-iteration
 - \rightarrow Generate all neighbors of current state:
 - for each queen in each column:
 - move the queen to another row in the same column to create a new neighbor state.
 - \rightarrow Evaluate each neighbor:
 - Find the neighbor with the minimum number of conflicts (best-neighbor)
 - Set next-value \leftarrow Calculate Conflicts (best-neighbor)
 - \rightarrow If next-value < current-value:
 - move to the best-neighbor (current-state \leftarrow best-neighbor)
 - Update current-value \leftarrow next-value
 - Else: Break (local optimum reached)
4. Output the final current-state and current-value (number of conflicts)

5. If current value == 0 : do - do!
 print "Solution found with no conflicts"
 Else:
 print "Best solution found with conflicts"

Step 3: Procedure calculateConflicts (State):

1. Set conflicts $\leftarrow 0$
2. For each pair of queens in state (queen1, queen2):

If they are in the same row or on the same diagonal:

increment conflicts

conflicts ++;

3. Return conflicts.

End procedure.

Output:

Enter the initial row positions for each queen:

Enter row position for queen in column 0 : 3

1 : 1

2 : 2

3 : 0

Enter maximum iterations : 10

Initial Board:

Final Board

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• Q • •

• Q • •

• • Q •

• • Q •

Q • • •

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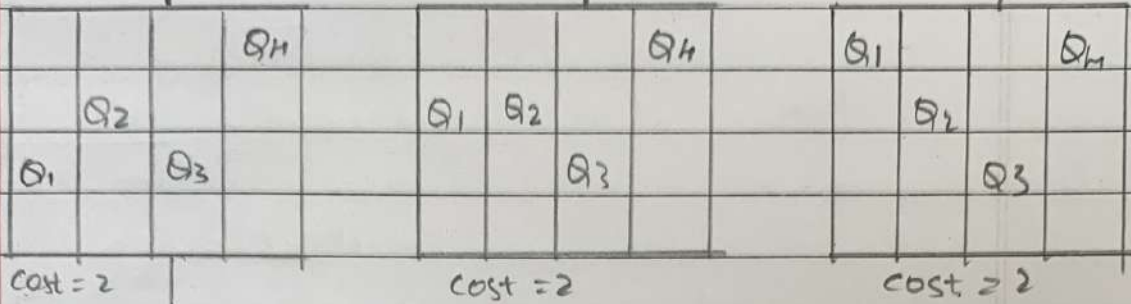
Best solution : [3, 1, 2, 0], Conflicts : 2

Solution found in 1 iteration

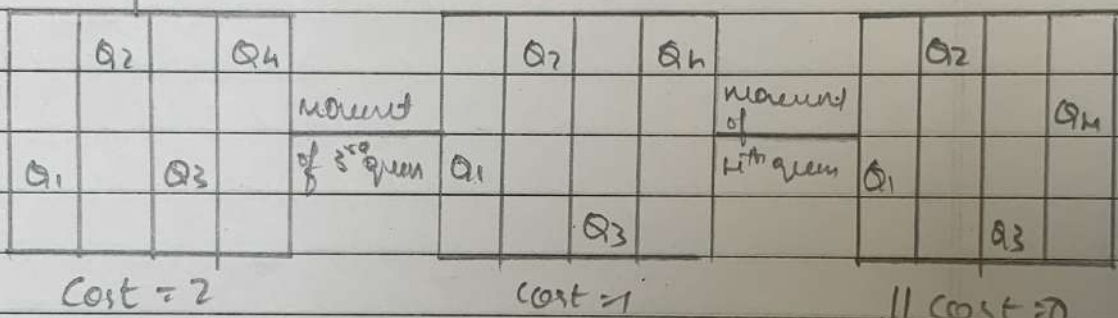
No perfect solution found.

			Q_4
	Q_2		
		Q_3	
Q_1			

moment of
1st queen



moment of
2nd order



↓ Cost \rightarrow
Goal state