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A* algorithm for 8 queens.

- 1) import heap queue.
- 2) create class Node, define a function init with a parameter state, g, h.
- 3) state: current configuration, g: cost from the start node to current node (number of moves made), h: heuristic estimate of the cost to reach the goal (no of attacks), f: total estimated cost (g+h)
- 4) define a function less than operator for priority.

```
def __lt__(self, other):  
    return self.f < other.f
```
- 5) define a function heuristic with parameter state attacks = 0.

```
for i in range(len(state)):  
    for j in range(i+1, len(state)):  
        if state[i] == state[j] or abs(state[i] - state[j]) == j - i:  
            attacks += 1
```
- 6) define a function A_star 8 queens
initial state = tuple([i] * 8)
open set = [] push a open set, initial set, 0, heuristic to the queue.
visited = set()
- It will pop the current node from the priority queue. if node visited it will do the further processing it creates through all columns for each new state calculate g and h
- 7) Define a function display board.

```
for i in range(8):  
    line = "  
    for col in range(8):
```

```
if state[row] == col:
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    line += "Q"
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else line += "."
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```
print(line)
```

```
solution = a_star_8_queens()
```

print the display-board and it will print the solution if it found @ else it will print solution not found.

Hill climbing for 8-queens:

1) Import random

2) Define a function calculate attacks

```
attacks = 0
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```
for i in range(len(state)):
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    for j in range(i+1, len(state)):
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        if state[i] == state[j] or abs(state[i] -
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            state[j]) == j - i:
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            attacks += 1
```

3) Define a function hill-climbing

```
state = [random.randint(0, 7)
```

```
    for _ in range(8)]
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```
current_attacks = calculate_attacks(state)
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for _ in range(10):
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```
    neighbors = [] take a range for rows
```

and columns

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    if state[row] != col:
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        neighbor = state[:]
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        neighbor[row] = col
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        neighbor.append(neighbor)
```

calculate the new state if take a min of the neighbors.

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if next_attacks >= current_attacks
breaks

State = next_state

Current_attacks = new_attacks

Define a function display_board.

for i in range(8):

line = ""

for j in range(8):

if state[row] == col

line += "Q"

else line += "."

print(line)

for i in range(attempts)

solution = hill_climbing

It will check for the best solution and if will print the best solution.

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Import heapq

class Node:

def __init__(self, state, g, h):

self.state = state

self.g = g

self.h = h

self.f = g + h

def __lt__(self, other):

return self.f < other.f

```

def heuristic(state):
    attacks = 0
    for i in range(len(state)):
        for j in range(i+1, len(state)):
            if state[i] == state[j] or abs(state[i] - state[j]) == j - i:
                attacks += 1
    return attacks

```

```

def a_star_8_queens():
    initial_state = tuple([-1] * 8)
    open_set = []
    heapq.heappush(open_set, Node(initial_state, 0, heuristic(initial_state)))
    visited = set()
    while open_set:
        current_node = heapq.heappop(open_set)
        current_state = current_node.state
        if current_node.h == 0 and -1 not in current_state:
            return current_state
        if current_state in visited:
            continue
        visited.add(current_state)
        next_row = current_state.index(-1) if -1 in current_state else len(current_state)
        if next_row < 8:
            for col in range(8):
                new_state = list(current_state)
                new_state[next_row] = col
                new_state = tuple(new_state)
                if new_state not in visited:
                    g = current_node.g + 1

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h = heuristic(new_state)
heapq.heappush(open_set, node(new_state, g, h))
return None

def display_board(state):
    for row in range(8):
        line = ""
        for col in range(8):
            if state[row] == col:
                line += "Q"
            else:
                line += "."
        print(line)
    print()

solution = a_star_8_queens()
if solution:
    print("A* solution:")
    display_board(solution)
else:
    print("no solution found.")

```

Hill climbing

```

import random
def calculate_attacks(state):
    attacks = 0
    for i in range(len(state)):
        for j in range(i+1, len(state)):
            if state[i] == state[j] or abs(state[i] - state[j]) == j - i:
                attacks += 1
    return attacks

```

```

def hill-climbing-8-queens():
    state = [random.randint(0,7) for _ in range(8)]
    current_attacks = calculate_attacks(state)
    for _ in range(10):
        neighbors = []
        for row in range(8):
            for col in range(8):
                if state[row] != col:
                    neighbor = state[:row]
                    neighbor[row] = col
                    neighbors.append(neighbor)
        next_state = min(neighbors, key=calculate_attacks)
        next_attacks = calculate_attacks(next_state)
        if next_attacks <= current_attacks:
            break
        state = next_state
        current_attacks = next_attacks
    return state, current_attacks

```

```

def display_board(state):
    for row in range(8):
        line = ""
        for col in range(8):
            if state[row] == col:
                line += "Q"
            else:
                line += "."
        print(line)
    print()

```

best_solution = None

best_attacks = float('inf')

attempts = 10

for range(Attempts):
 solution, attacks = hill-climbing, 8-queens()

if attacks < best_attacks:

best_solution = solution

best_attacks = attacks

if best_attacks == 0:

break

if best_solution:

print("Best solution found with 0 attacking pairs").

display_board(best_solution)

else:

print("No solution found").

output

Best solution found with 0 attacking pairs:

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