

IS-ZC444: ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Lecture-08: SA, GA, ALPHA-BETA Pruning



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Simulated Annealing (Metallurgy approach)

- Simulated annealing is hill climbing combined with **random walk**
- Step size is gradually reduced
- First Applied around 1980, for VLSI layout problem

Algorithm 1: Simulated-Annealing(problem, schedule)

```
1 current  $\leftarrow$  Make-Node (problem.Initial-State)
2 for  $t = 1$  to  $\infty$  do
3    $T \leftarrow \text{schedule}(t)$ 
4   if  $T = 0$  then return current
5   next  $\leftarrow$  a randomly selected successor of current
6    $\Delta E \leftarrow \text{next.Value} - \text{current.Value}$ 
7   if  $\Delta E > 0$  then current  $\leftarrow$  next
8   else current  $\leftarrow$  next with probability  $e^{\Delta E/T}$ 
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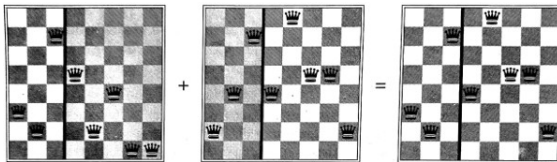
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Evolution

- Recall Darwin's theory of evolution: "*Survival of the fittest*"¹



Is it true? Let's formulate and try..



¹Images taken from various sources on Internet

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Learning approach of Genetic algorithms is based on simulated evolution (appeared in 1975)

- State are represented using fixed length bit strings (chromosome)
- Search for a goal state begins with a population of initial states
 - ▶ Members of the current population give rise to the next generation population using random **mutation** and **crossover**
 - ▶ States are evaluated using some **fitness** measure
 - ▶ Most fit state act as a seeds for producing next generation
- Applied a variety of learning tasks and optimization problems (like robot control and learning parameters for ANN)
- Search can move abruptly. Crowding can happen

Without **guarantee**, GA often finds an object of high fitness

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Algorithm 2: GA (Fitness , F_{th} , p , r , m)

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1  $P \leftarrow$  generate  $p$  states at random
2 while  $\max(\text{Fitness}(h_1), \text{Fitness}(h_2), \dots, \text{Fitness}(h_p)) < F_{th}$ 
  do
3   Select:  $(1 - r)p$  members of  $P$ 
4   Crossover: on  $(r \times p)/2$  pairs to produce two offspring
5   Mutation: randomly invert a bit of  $m$  percentage of population
6 return state  $h_i$  having maximum  $\text{Fitness}(h_i)$ 
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- Fitness function is typically a heuristic
- The fitness function is a criterion for ranking states to select states probabilistically for inclusion in the next generation population

Selection

- **Fitness proportionate.** Probability of selecting a state in next generation is

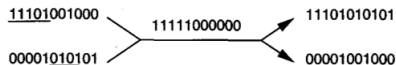
$$Pr(h_i) = \frac{\text{Fitness}(h_i)}{\sum_{j=1}^p \text{Fitness}(h_j)}$$

- **Tournament selection.** randomly pick two states and then with some predefined probability p the more fit of these two is then selected, and with probability $(1 - p)$ the less fit state is selected
- **Rank selection.** states are sorted by fitness and the probability of selection of a state is proportional to its rank in this sorted list, rather than its fitness
- **Elitist Model.** select a small proportion of the fittest candidates in current population intact into the next generation

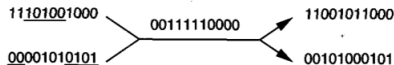
Genetic Operators (crossover and mutation)

Initial strings Crossover Mask Offspring

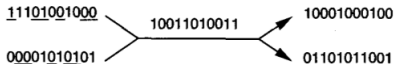
Single-point crossover:



Two-point crossover:



Uniform crossover:



Point mutation:



Does GA works?

- Can we mathematically characterize the evolution
- **Schema:** string of 0, 1 or * like $0 * 1$ denoting set $\{001, 011\}$
- String 1011 is **representative** of 2^4 schema
- Let $m(s, t)$ be number of instances of schema s in generation t
- Consider *selection*, let fitness of individual h be $f(h)$ and average fitness of whole n size population at time t be $\bar{f}(t)$
- $h \in s \cup p_t$ means 1) h is representative of s and 2) it is present in the population at time t
- Let $\hat{u}(s, t)$ be average fitness of instances of s at time t

$$\hat{u}(s, t) = \frac{\sum_{h \in s \cup p_t} f(h)}{m(s, t)}$$

- We know $Pr(h) = f(h)/(\sum f(h)) = f(h)/(n\bar{f}(t))$

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- Probability that we will select a representative of schema s is

$$\begin{aligned} Pr(h \in s) &= \sum_{h \in s \cup p_t} Pr(h) = \sum_{h \in s \cup p_t} f(h) / (n\bar{f}(t)) \\ &= \frac{\hat{u}(s, t)}{n\bar{f}(t)} m(s, t) \end{aligned}$$

- Expected number of instances of s resulting from the n independent selection steps that create the entire new generation is just n times this probability. Therefore,

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- 1 Proportional to the average fitness $\hat{u}(s, t)$ of instances of this schema at time t , and
- 2 Inversely proportional to the average fitness $\bar{f}(t)$ of all members of the population at time t

Thus, we can expect schema with above average fitness to be represented with increasing frequency on successive generations

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Also consider negative effects of single point crossover and mutation

- Let p_c represents the probability of **crossover** on an individual. $d(s)$ be the distance between left most and right most defined bit of s and l be the length of individual bit string
- Let p_m represents the probability of **mutation** on an individual and $o(s)$ be number of defined bits in s

Full schema theorem thus provides a lower bound on the expected frequency of schema s , as follows

$$E[m(s, t + 1)] \geq \frac{\hat{u}(s, t)}{\bar{f}(t)} m(s, t) \left(1 - p_c \frac{d(s)}{l - 1}\right) (1 - p_m)^{o(s)}$$

Similar expression. More fit schemas will tend to grow in influence.

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- Given **locally** correct values of $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} = 2 \sum_{c \in C_1} (x_i - x_c)$ one can perform steepest-ascent using $x \leftarrow x + \alpha \nabla f$

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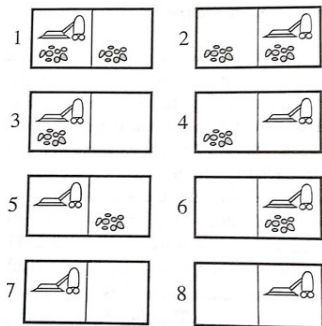
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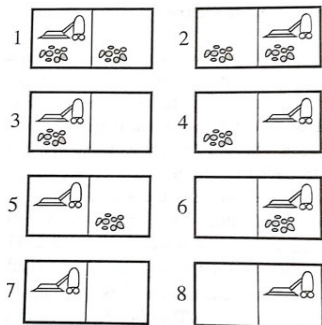
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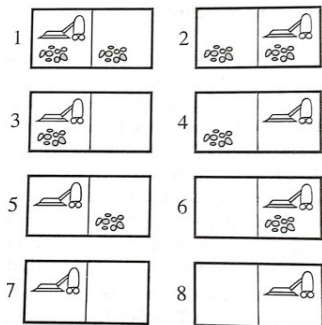
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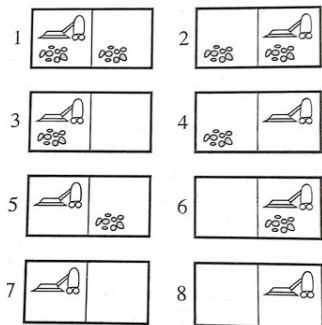
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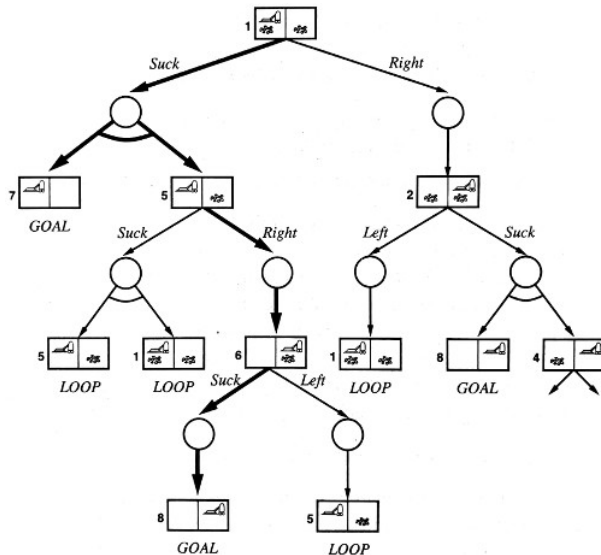
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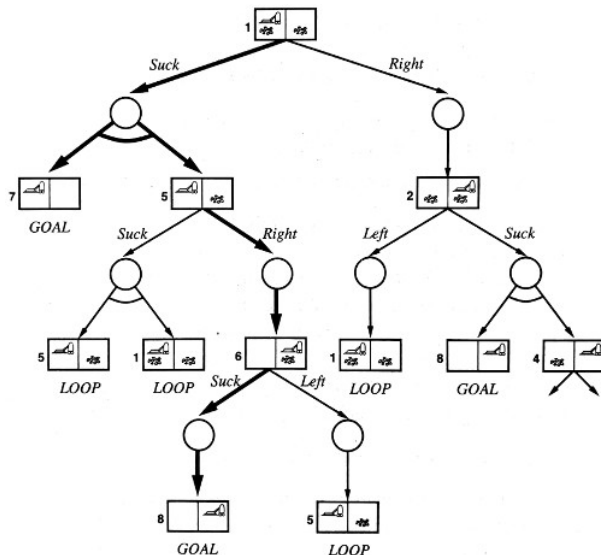
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Solution

- 1 has goal node at every leaf
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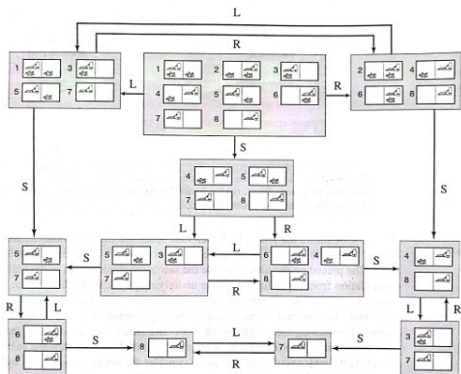
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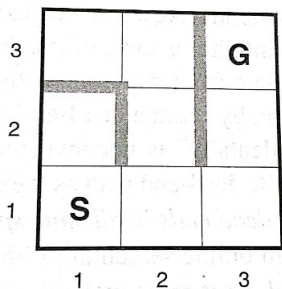
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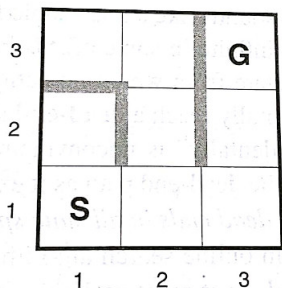
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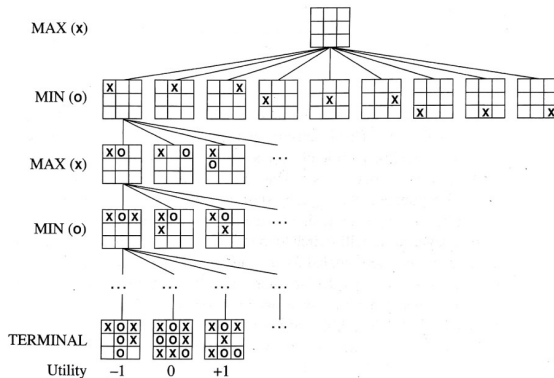
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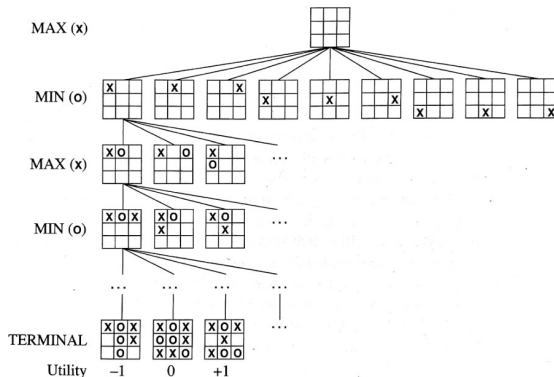
- S_0 : the initial state
- $\text{PLAYER}(s)$: defines which player has move to start
- $\text{ACTIONS}(s)$: returns set of legal moves in a state
- $\text{RESULT}(s, a)$: termination model defining result of a move
- $\text{TERMINAL_TEST}(s)$: is true when game is over
- $\text{UTILITY}(s, p)$: utility function defining reward (for chess +1,0,1/2)

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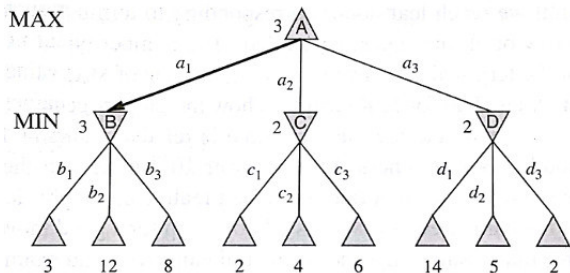


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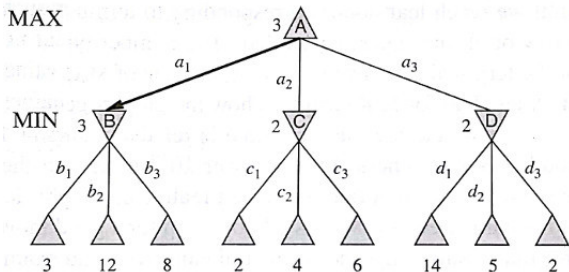
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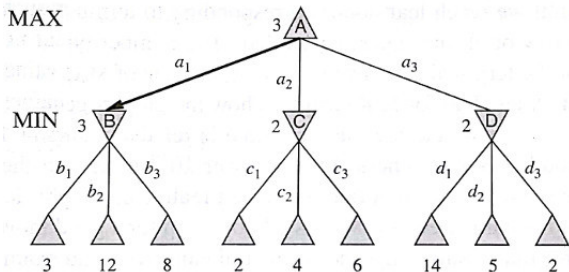
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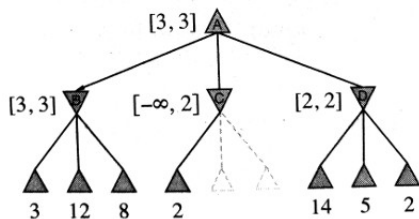
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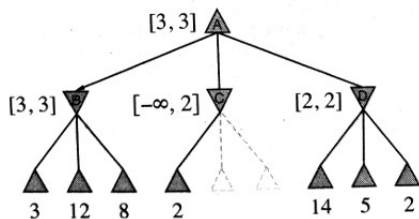
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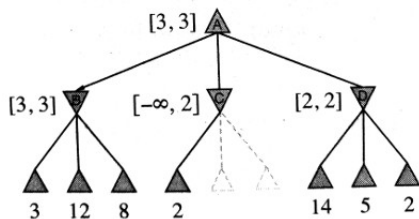


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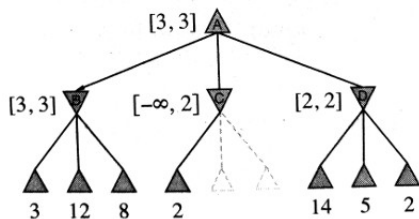


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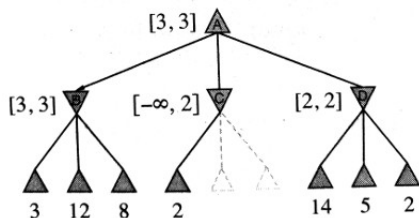


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- When applied to standard minimax tree, it returns the same move as minimax but, prunes away branches that cannot possibly influence the decision.

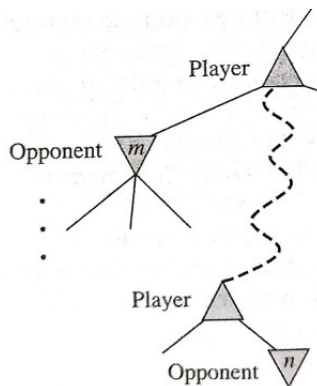


Consider two unevaluated successor of node C have value x and y

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MINIMAX(root)
= max( min(3,12,8), min(2,x,y), min(14,5,2) )
= max( 3, min(2,x,y), 2 )
= max( 3, z )      where  $z = \min(2,x,y) \leq 2$ 
= 3
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ALPHA-BETA Pruning

- Alpha-beta pruning can be applied to trees of any depth, and it is often possible to prune entire subtree rather than just leaves.



If m is better than n for player then we would never go to n in play

α = value of best choice (highest) found so far for MAX

β = value of best choice (lowest) found so far for MIN

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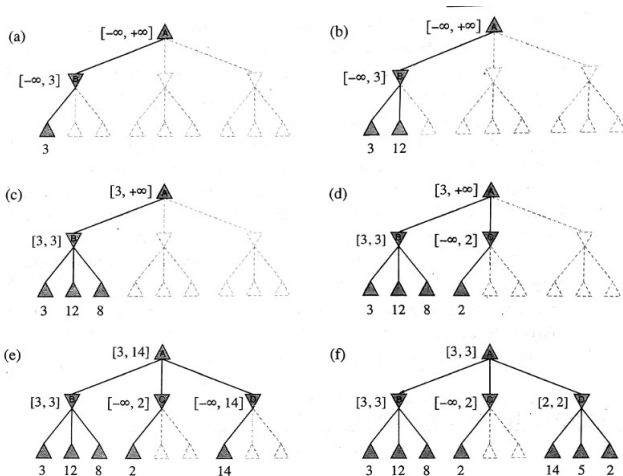
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In-action: ALPHA-BETA Pruning



Thank You!

Thank you very much for your attention!

Queries ?

(Reference⁴)

⁴1) Book - *AIMA*, ch-03+04+05, Russell and Norvig.