

Documentation and Test Results

Components in the program

1. **State Representation:** States are represented as lists of constraints like [on, a, b] and [clear, c]
2. **Move Rules:** Three types of moves implemented:
 - Move from block to block
 - Move from block to table
 - Move from table to block
3. **Search Algorithm:** Depth-first search with cycle detection using permutation checking

Stuff implemented in it

- **Permutation-aware state comparison:** Prevents revisiting equivalent states
- **Modular design:** Easy to test with different start/goal states
- **Comprehensive move rules:** Implements all three block movement types

Results from runs (Mac m1) (Windows 11)

Start State:

```
a is on b  
b is on table  
c is on d  
c is clear  
a is clear  
d is on table
```

Goal State:

```
d is on a  
a is on c  
c is on b  
b is on table  
d is clear
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clear(a)
clear(d)
on(d,table)

--- state ---
on(a,c)
on(b,table)
on(c,b)
clear(a)
clear(d)
on(d,table)

--- state ---
on(a,c)
on(b,table)
on(c,b)
clear(d)
on(d,a)

Path = [[[on, a, b], [on, b, table], [on, c, d], [clear, c], [clear, a], [on, d|...]], [...|...], [on, c, a], [clear, c], [clear, d], [on|...]], [[clear, a], [on, a, b], [on, b, table], [clear|...], [...|...]|...], [[clear, a], [on, a, c], [on, b|...], [on|...], [...|...], [on, a|...], [on|...], [...|...]|...], [[clear, d], [clear|...], [...|...]|...], [...]|...], [...|...]|...], [...|...]|...]] []
```

Start State:

```
a is on table
b is on table
c is on a
d is on c
b is clear
d is clear
```

Goal State:

```
a is on b
b is on c
c is on d
d is on table
a is clear
```

Start State:

a is on b
b is on table
c is on table
d is on c
a is clear
d is clear

Goal State:

a is on c
c is on d
d is on b
b is on table
a is clear

Sample Solution Path: The program finds a sequence of moves that transforms the start state into the goal state. The solution demonstrates:

1. Moving clear blocks to temporary positions
2. Building the tower in the correct order (d on a, a on c, c on b)
3. Maintaining clearance constraints throughout

Some notes for testing

To correctly run this implementation please do the following in a terminal with swi-prolog installed

1. run swipl
2. ['BlocksWorld-4-ChrisFarah'].
3. solve(Path), print_path(Path).

These commands should give you the correct output.

Team Contribution

All team members contributed equally to this implementation.

The program successfully solves the Blocks World problem and can be easily adapted for different block configurations by modifying the `blocks/1`, `start/1`, and `goal/1` predicates.