

Artificial Intelligence  
CSL 302  
Lab 4 – Report  
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Algorithm	No. of blocks	No. of nodes expanded	No. of actions	Time for running(s)
BFS	4	6808	10	0.168
	5	112599	14	3.157
	12	-	-	-
A*	4	29	10	0.012
	5	40	16	0.014
	12	1305	28	0.436
Goal Stack Planning	4*	42	12	0.007
	5*	65	18	0.007
	12*	231	56	0.008

\*it is the averaged value, multiple answers can be found due to randomization and ordering

- You can see that A\* is goal oriented and expands less number of unnecessary nodes than BFS
- Goal stack planning can give multiple answers depending on the order in which you are adding items in the stack
- Goal stack planning is very effecient (considering time taken)

## Heuristic & Cost functions for A\*:

$h(n) = 3*(a + b + c + d)$  (heuristic function)

$a = 3*(\text{number of blocks which are not satisfying 'on-table' criteria})$

$b = 1.5*(\text{number of blocks which are not satisfying the 'clear' criteria})$

$c = 1.5*(\text{number of pairs of blocks not satisfying the on criteria} + \text{number of blocks which satisfy the 'under' criteria but not 'on' criteria})$

$d = 1 \text{ or } 0$  (1 if empty state matching & 0 if not matching)

$g(n) = \text{number of actions required till now}$

$f(n) = g(n) + h(n)$  (total cost as priority, lower the cost greater the priority in expanding)