# CS051A <br> INTRO TO COMPUTER SCIENCE WITH TOPICS IN AI 

## 17: Search



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Lectures


## Lecture 17: Search

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## What is AI?

| Think like a human <br> Cognitive Modeling | Think rationally <br> Logic-based Systems |
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| Act like a human <br> Turing Test | Act rationally <br> Rational Agents |

## What is AI?



Next couple of weeks

Solve the maze!


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How did you figure it out?

## Solve the maze!



One approach


What now?

One approach


Three choices

One approach


Pick one!

One approach


What now?

One approach


## Still three options!

One approach


Still three options!
Which would you explore/pick?

One approach


Most people go down a single path until they realize that it's wrong

One approach


Keep exploring

One approach


Keep exploring

One approach


Keep exploring

One approach


Keep exploring

One approach


Keep exploring

One approach


What now?

One approach


Keep exploring

One approach


Are we stuck?

## One approach



Are we stuck?
No. Yellow positions are just possible options we haven't explored

One approach


One approach


How do we know not to go here?

## One approach



We have to be careful and keep track of where we've been in case we loop back to a previously visited location

One approach


What now?

One approach


Keep exploring

One approach


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One approach


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What now?

One approach


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One approach


Search problems


What information do we need to figure out a solution?

Search problems

- Where to start.
- Where to finish (goal).
"What the "world" (in this case a maze) looks like.
- We'll define the world as a collection of discrete states.
- States are connected if we can get from one state to another by taking a particular action.
* The set of all possible states is called the state space.

State space example


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How many more states are there?

State space example


State space example


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## Search algorithm

Keep track of a list of states that we could visit; we'll call it to_visit.
General idea:
| take a state off the to_visit list

- if it's the goal state
- we're done!
- if it's not the goal state
- Add all of the next possible states to the to_visit list
, repeat
- take a state off the to_visit list
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to_visit
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It's a stack! (LIFO)

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## Search algorithms

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## Search algorithms

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- Depth first search (DFS): to_visit is a stack
* Breadth first search (BFS): to_visit is a queue

What order will BFS and DFS visit the states assuming states are added to to_visit left to right?

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- DFS:


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- DFS: 1


What order will BFS and DFS visit the states?

- DFS: 1, 4


What order will BFS and DFS visit the states?

- DFS: 1, 4, 3


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What order will BFS and DFS visit the states?

- DFS: 1, 4, 3, 8


What order will BFS and DFS visit the states?

- DFS: 1, 4, 3, 8, 7


What order will BFS and DFS visit the states?

- DFS: 1, 4, 3, 8, 7, 6


What order will BFS and DFS visit the states?

- DFS: 1, 4, 3, 8, 7, 6


What order will BFS and DFS visit the states?

- DFS: 1, 4, 3, 8, 7, 6, 9


What order will BFS and DFS visit the states?

- DFS: 1, 4, 3, 8, 7, 6, 9, 2


What order will BFS and DFS visit the states?

- DFS: 1, 4, 3, 8, 7, 6, 9, 2


What order will BFS and DFS visit the states?

- DFS: 1, 4, 3, 8, 7, 6, 9, 2, 5


What order will BFS and DFS visit the states?

- DFS: 1, 4, 3, 8, 7, 6, 9, 2, 5

BFS:

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- DFS: 1, 4, 3, 8, 7, 6, 9, 2, 5

BFS: 1


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- DFS: 1, 4, 3, 8, 7, 6, 9, 2, 5

BFS: 1
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What order will BFS and DFS visit the states?

- DFS: 1, 4, 3, 8, 7, 6, 9, 2, 5

BFS: 1, 2

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3 \mid 4
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BFS: 1, 2

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- DFS: 1, 4, 3, 8, 7, 6, 9, 2, 5

BFS: 1, 2, 3

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What order will BFS and DFS visit the states?

- DFS: 1, 4, 3, 8, 7, 6, 9, 2, 5

BFS: 1, 2, 3

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\begin{array}{|l|l|l|l|}
\hline 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 \\
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\end{array}
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QUEUE

What order will BFS and DFS visit the states?

- DFS: 1, 4, 3, 8, 7, 6, 9, 2, 5

BFS: 1, 2, 3, 4

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\hline 5 & 6 & 7 \\
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\end{array}
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QUEUE

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BFS: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
$6|7| 8$


QUEUE

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BFS: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5


## Homework

- Assignment 8

