

Sheet2

Q1: Explain why problem formulation must follow goal formulation.

Q2: Show that the 8-puzzle states are divided into two disjoint sets, such that any state is reachable from any other state in the same set, while no state is reachable from any state in the other set. (Hint: See Berlekamp et al. (1982).) Devise a procedure to decide which set a given state is in, and explain why this is useful for generating random states.

Q3: Prove each of the following statements, or give a counterexample:

- a. Breadth-first search is a special case of uniform-cost search.**
 - b. Depth-first search is a special case of best-first tree search.**
 - c. Uniform-cost search is a special case of A* search**
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