CSE 5525 Artificial Intelligence II Homework #1: A* Search and Minimax Wei Xu, Ohio State University

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- 1. (3 points) Assume we run $\alpha \beta$ pruning expanding successors from left to right on a game with tree as shown in Figure 1 (a). Then we have that:
 - (a) (true or false) For some choice of pay-off values, no pruning will be achieved (shown in Figure 1 (a)).
 - (b) (true or false) For some choice of pay-off values, the pruning shown in Figure 1 (b) will be achieved.
 - (c) (true or false) For some choice of pay-off values, the pruning shown in Figure 1 (c) will be achieved.
 - (d) (true or false) For some choice of pay-off values, the pruning shown in Figure 1 (d) will be achieved.
 - (e) (true or false) For some choice of pay-off values, the pruning shown in Figure 1 (e) will be achieved.
 - (f) (true or false) For some choice of pay-off values, the pruning shown in Figure 1 (f) will be achieved.

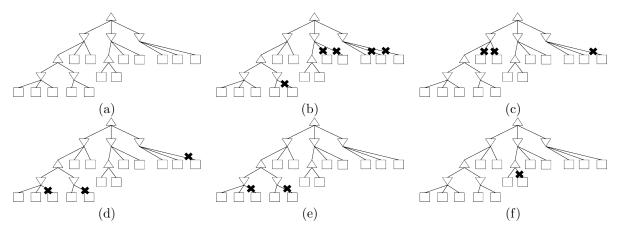


Figure 1: Game trees.

2. The following implementation of graph search may be incorrect. Circle all the problems with the code.

```
function Graph-Search(problem, fringe)
closed \leftarrow \text{an empty set},
fringe \leftarrow \text{Insert}(\text{Make-Node}(\text{Initial-State}[problem]), fringe)
loop
if \ fringe \ \text{is empty then}
return \ \text{failure}
end \ if
node \leftarrow \text{Remove-Front}(fringe)
if \ \text{Goal-Test}(problem, \text{State}[node]) \ \text{then}
return \ node
end \ if
\text{Add State}[node] \ \text{to} \ closed
fringe \leftarrow \text{InsertAll}(\text{Expand}(node, problem), fringe)
end \ loop
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- (a) Nodes may be expanded twice.
- (b) The algorithm is no longer complete.
- (c) The algorithm could return an incorrect solution.
- (d) None of the above.
- 3. (2 points) The following implementation of A* graph search may be incorrect. You may assume that the algorithm is being run with a consistent heuristic. Circle all the problems with the code.

```
function A*-SEARCH(problem, fringe)
   closed \leftarrow an empty set
   fringe \leftarrow Insert(Make-Node(Initial-State[problem]), fringe)
      if fringe is empty then
          return failure
      end if
      node \leftarrow \text{Remove-Front}(fringe)
      if State[node] is not in closed then
          ADD STATE[node] TO closed
          for successor in GetSuccessors(problem, State[node]) do
              fringe \leftarrow Insert(Make-Node(successor), fringe)
              if Goal-Test(problem, successor) then
                 return successor
              end if
          end for
      end if
   end loop
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