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# Department of AI &DS

**Course Name - 23ADT201 ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE** 

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UNIT 2 PROBLEM SOLVING **Topic: LOCAL SEARCH AND OPTIMIZATION PROBLEMS** 







Case Study: A local bakery improved their foot traffic by 30% within six months by implementing a localized SEO strategy and optimizing their Google My Business listing.

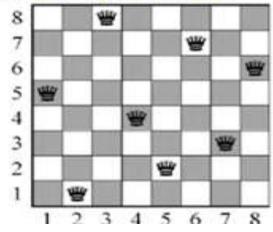






- The Local search algorithm searches only the final state, not the path to get there.
- For example, in the 8-queens problem,
- we care only about finding a valid final configuration of 8 queens (8 queens arranged on chess board, and no queen can attack other queens) and not the path from initial state to final state.

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# Local Search Algorithms

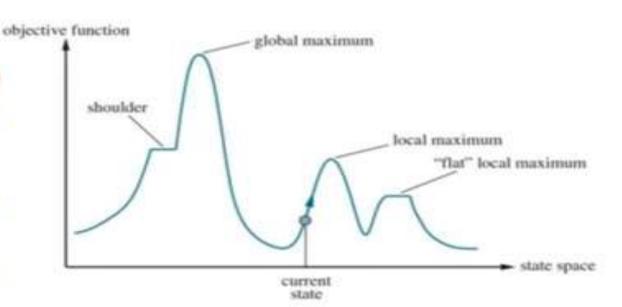
- Local search algorithms operate by searching from a start state to neighboring states,
- without keeping track of the paths, nor the set of states that have been reached.
- They are not systematic—
- they might never explore a portion of the search space where a solution actually resides.
- They searches only the final state





# Hill-climbing Search Algorithm

- Hill climbing algorithm is a Heuristic search algorithm which continuously moves in the direction of increasing value to find the peak of the mountain or best solution to the problem.
- It keeps track of one current state and on each iteration moves to the neighboring state with highest value—that is, it heads in the direction that provides the steepest ascent.







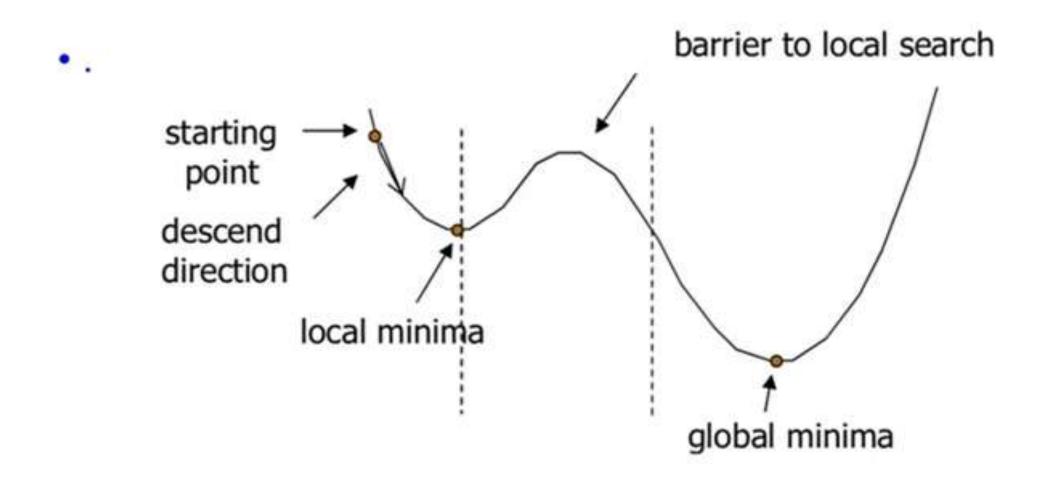
## Simulated Annealing

- Simulated Annealing is a stochastic global search optimization algorithm and it is modified version of stochastic hill climbing.
- This algorithm appropriate for nonlinear objective functions where other local search algorithms do not operate well.
- The simulated-annealing solution is to start by shaking hard (i.e., at a high temperature) and
- then gradually reduce the intensity of the shaking (i.e., lower the temperature).
- Simulated Annealing (SA) is very useful for situations where there are a lot of local minima.





# Simulated Annealing - State Space Diagram

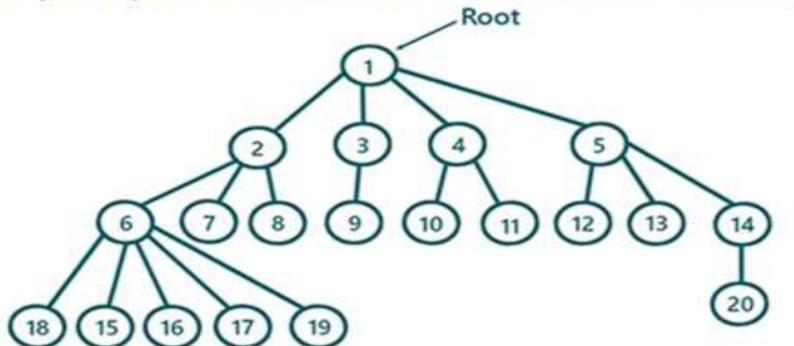






# Beam Search Algorithm

- A heuristic search algorithm that examines a graph by extending the most promising node in a limited set is known as beam search algorithm.
- The number of nodes n represents the beam width.
- This algorithm only keeps the lowest number of nodes on open list,







# Components of Beam Search

- A beam search takes three components as its input:
- 1. The problem usually represented as graph and contains a set of nodes in which one or more of the nodes represents a goal.
- 2. The set of heuristic rules for pruning: are rules specific to the problem domain and prune unfavorable nodes from memory regarding the problem domain.
- 3. A memory with a limited available capacity
- The memory is where the "beam" is stored, memory is full, and a node is to be added to the beam, the most costly node will be deleted, such that the memory limit is not exceeded.





# Genetic Algorithm

- A genetic algorithm (or GA) is a search technique used to find true or approximate solutions.
- Genetic algorithms are categorized as global search heuristics.
- GAs are particular class of evolutionary algorithms that use techniques inspired by evolutionary biology such as inheritance, mutation, selection, and crossover (also called recombination).





## Applications of Local Search Algorithms

- Integrated-circuit design,
- Factory floor layout,
- Job shop scheduling,
- Automatic programming,
- Telecommunications network optimization,
- Crop planning, and
- Portfolio management.





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