Homework 4

Assigned on: Friday February 27, 2015.

Due: Friday, March 6, 2015.

Except for the programming questions (i.e., Exercises 1 and 7), which must be submitted with webhandin as problem#.lisp, you may turn in your homework on paper or type it and submit it to webhandin.

Value: 90 points for ugrads and 95 points for grads.

1 Implementing a simple-reflex agent. Total: 20 points

- Write in Common Lisp a function that ‘models’ the simple-reflex agent for the vacuum-cleaner problem in an environment with two locations, as summarized on page 5 of the Instructor’s notes #4. The function should take as input the percepts of the agent as location of the agent and status of the room.

- Write a Common Lisp function that takes any of the 8 possible states of the vacuum-cleaner of Figure 3.3 of AIMA and runs the simple-reflect agent until the goal is reached.

- Design a performance measure that penalizes the agent for each step and each suck action. Record the agent performance for each one of the above 8 possible states.

2 AIMA, Exercise 3.6, Page 113. Total 10/15 points

- a: for ugrads and grads. 5 points
- b: for ugrads and grads. 5 points
- d: grads (bonus for ugrads). 5 points

3 AIMA, Exercise 3.15, Page 116. Total: 10 points

4 Evaluation function. Total: 6 points

Adapted from AIMA, Edition 1.

With \( g(n) \) being the path length,

1. Suppose that we run a greedy search algorithm with \( h(n) = -g(n) \). What sort of search will the greedy search emulate?
   Explain. 3 points

2. Suppose that we run a search algorithm with \( h(n) = g(n) \). What sort of search will the greedy search emulate?
   Explain. 3 points
5  AIMA, Exercise 3.21, Page 117.  Total: 9 points
6  AIMA, Exercise 3.23, Page 118.  Total: 10 points
7  AIMA, Exercise 3.30, Page 119.  Total: 15 points
   • Question a  10 points
   • Question b  5 points
   • Question c: Optional challenge  15 bonus points
   • Question d: Optional challenge  30 bonus points
8 Adverserial Search 5 points

Consider the following game tree:

MAX

MIN

MAX

MIN

1. Compute the minimax decision. Show your answer by writing the values at the appropriate nodes in the above tree. 4 points

2. What move should Max choose? 1 point
9  Alpha-beta Pruning  5 points

Using the alpha-beta pruning method, with standard left-to-right evaluation of nodes, show what nodes are not examined by alpha-beta.