Homework 4


Due: Monday, October 1st, 2018.

Except for the programming questions (i.e., Exercises 1 and 7), which must be submitted with webhandin as probem#.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-reflex 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:

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