

## Minimax, Alpha-Beta Pruning, and Expectimax Algorithms

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**Algorithm 1** Minimax Algorithm

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1: function MINIMAX(node, depth, maximizingPlayer)
2:   if depth == 0 or node is a terminal node then
3:     return Evaluate(node)
4:   end if
5:   if maximizingPlayer then
6:     bestValue  $\leftarrow -\infty$ 
7:     for each child in node's children do
8:       value  $\leftarrow$  MINIMAX(child, depth - 1, false)
9:       bestValue  $\leftarrow$  max(bestValue, value)
10:    end for
11:    return bestValue
12:   else
13:     bestValue  $\leftarrow \infty$ 
14:     for each child in node's children do
15:       value  $\leftarrow$  MINIMAX(child, depth - 1, true)
16:       bestValue  $\leftarrow$  min(bestValue, value)
17:     end for
18:     return bestValue
19:   end if
20: end function
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**Algorithm 2** Alpha-Beta Pruning Algorithm

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1: function ALPHABETA(node, depth,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , maximizingPlayer)
2:   if depth == 0 or node is a terminal node then
3:     return Evaluate(node)
4:   end if
5:   if maximizingPlayer then
6:     bestValue  $\leftarrow -\infty$ 
7:     for each child in node's children do
8:       value  $\leftarrow$  ALPHABETA(child, depth - 1,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , false)
9:       bestValue  $\leftarrow$  max(bestValue, value)
10:       $\alpha \leftarrow$  max( $\alpha$ , bestValue)
11:      if  $\beta \leq \alpha$  then
12:        break ▷ Beta cutoff
13:      end if
14:    end for
15:    return bestValue
16:  else
17:    bestValue  $\leftarrow \infty$ 
18:    for each child in node's children do
19:      value  $\leftarrow$  ALPHABETA(child, depth - 1,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , true)
20:      bestValue  $\leftarrow$  min(bestValue, value)
21:       $\beta \leftarrow$  min( $\beta$ , bestValue)
22:      if  $\beta \leq \alpha$  then
23:        break ▷ Alpha cutoff
24:      end if
25:    end for
26:    return bestValue
27:  end if
28: end function
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**Algorithm 3** Expectimax Algorithm

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1: function EXPECTIMAX(node, depth, maximizingPlayer)
2:   if depth == 0 or node is a terminal node then
3:     return Evaluate(node)
4:   end if
5:   if maximizingPlayer then
6:     bestValue  $\leftarrow -\infty$ 
7:     for each child in node's children do
8:       value  $\leftarrow$  EXPECTIMAX(child, depth - 1, false)
9:       bestValue  $\leftarrow$  max(bestValue, value)
10:    end for
11:    return bestValue
12:  else
13:    sumValues  $\leftarrow$  0
14:    numChildren  $\leftarrow$  number of children
15:    for each child in node's children do
16:      value  $\leftarrow$  EXPECTIMAX(child, depth - 1, true)
17:      sumValues  $\leftarrow$  sumValues + value
18:    end for
19:    return sumValues / numChildren ▷ Expected value
20:  end if
21: end function
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