

Adversarial Search:-

Alpha-Beta Pruning →

For a leaf node \Rightarrow

$$\alpha = \beta = \text{utility}$$

At max, $\alpha = \text{largest child utility}$

$$\beta = \beta \text{ of parent}$$

At min, $\alpha = \alpha \text{ of parent}$

$\beta = \text{smallest child utility}$
(children explored till then)

If $\alpha > \beta$, Pruning happens. as this condition fails.

Good move ordering $\equiv O[b^{m/2}]$

improves the effectiveness of pruning

Dynamic move ordering → from historical data (data in the past)

can be used by implementing "Iterative Deepening Search"

Transpositions \equiv different move sequences (multiple paths) end up in same board position [final state]

repeated states

Alpha-Beta algorithm → has to search till terminal states

[though pruning is allowed for large parts of it]

Cut off the search + & use a heuristic function evaluation

minimax
↓
brute force
(searched through all the nodes)



MAX

MIN

MAX

MIN

If M is a better choice, then N won't be searched.

$$\alpha \leq \text{Utility} \leq \beta$$

Heuristic Minimax →

* H-Minimax $(s, d) \equiv$

- EVAL(s) if cut off-Test (s, d)
- $\text{Max} - \{a \text{ in } \text{Action}(s)\} \text{ H-Minimax } (\text{Result}(s, a), d+1)$
if $\text{Player}(s) = \text{MAX}$
- $\text{Min} - \{a \text{ in } \text{Action}(s)\} \text{ Minimax } (\text{Result}(s, a), d+1)$
if $\text{Player}(s) = \text{MIN}$

what should the evaluation function be?

- ordering of terminal states should be in the same way as the true utility function.
- No long computations
- Highly correlated

Features \equiv define categories or equivalence classes of states. i.e. state in each category have same values for all features.

Ex: \downarrow
No. of pawns on board } = 4 (for many no. of sequences of moves)

too many categories } (Not easy to estimate the probabilities of winning)
Weighted Functions

Linear combⁿ of funcⁿ {
$$\text{Eval}(s) = \underbrace{w_1}_{\text{weight}} \cdot \underbrace{f_1(s)}_{\text{feature}} + w_2 f_2(s) \dots$$

low

These features, weights → not part of the rules of chess

→ Domain Experts (Deep learning)

→ weights of evaluation

Machine learning Techniques

Modifying the alpha-beta search →

- * Pick an appropriate depth "d" — allocated time
↳ Iterative Deepening Search [if you run out of time, you still have the best solution for depth "d-1"]
- * Quiescence search — "avoid positions (searching the states) that result in wild swings"
↓
Heuristics
- * Singular extensions — storing the better moves.
- * Forward Pruning — Pruning at that instant without expanding further.
↳ Beam Search → breadth of the tree might be increasing but make sure the breadth "b" is fixed with the best actions and leave the pruned nodes.
disadvantage ↓
a chance of pruning out the best moves

* PROBCUT (Probabilistic cut algorithm) \equiv Alpha beta search

↓

it is a heuristic probability for pruning (prior experience) (large data set of previous games)

"probably" — pruning of nodes outside the window

Shallow search

prune if you guarantee that the solution doesn't lie in the window "probably"

\equiv uses past experience to compute how likely a score of v at depth d would be outside of (α, β)

↓

computed value of the node

node of probability

\equiv For a value " v " — if it results in loss for more no. of games in past

↓

Probcut likely prunes the node " v "

Probability (depends on past data sets)

Good Evaluation function + Reasonable cut off^{test}
+ quiescence search + large transposition table
↓
searching for visibility.

→ Search — you don't want to find every
move using search from scratch
↓ (for every position)

better to do.

Table Lookup (from the database) \equiv mapping from every
possible state to the
best move in that state.

Stochastic Games \equiv involving a random element
for EX: throwing a dice.

DECISION THEORY & PROBABILITY THEORY

Decisions in the face of uncertainty [Don't use ad hoc techniques]

what is
uncertainty?
& how to reason
with it

EX Logical Agent

- slow(Route 1), fast(Route 2)
- slow(x) \Rightarrow Avoid(x)
- Avoid(x) \wedge fast(y) \Rightarrow select(y)

!!
Avoiding the route x
and route y being
fast

lead to
selecting
the path y

- Agent selects Route 2

Not a good way to logically
reason this situation - why?

Uncertainty \equiv

both qualitative &
quantitative infor-
mation

- take into the distance into the account
- 'speed' of the agent
- look at the trade offs

EX: if we know it is slow,
how slow?

Changes the way an agent makes a decision.

- Can't take each factor/probability into account

may be unknown [cognitive overload]

Rational Decision

- relative importance of various goals (with uncertainties)
- Degree of success of the goals.

there can be ~~goals~~ decisions

with or without
uncertainties.

without uncertainty,
it doesn't mean it is an
ideal choice as it may
be having ^{the} least degree
of success (end up never
reaching the goal)

EX: Being a prime minister (reward = 1000)
(probability = 0.5%)
or a software engineer (reward = 10)
(probability = 99%).

* consider the probability of success also
(understanding the tradeoffs)

Probabilities of each action \Rightarrow can determine the correct decision involving these actions

Ex:	Route 1	P	Route 2	P
Without Accident	20min	80%	25min	70%
when Accident occurs	50min	20%	40min	30%

\rightarrow DECISIONS UNDER UNCERTAINTY

Making a

- choice among actions or plans:
 - \rightarrow chance of success / failure
 - \rightarrow consequence or cost or reward of success or failure.

Decision Theory = Probability Theory + Utility Theory
 (making decisions) (deals with chance) (deals with outcomes)

\rightarrow Maximum Expected Utility (MEU)

- choosing the action that yields the highest expected utility
- weigh the outcome.

Ex: Trading a 100Rs note for a pen.
 (so the value of pen is higher than money at times and viceversa)

* Conditional Probability \equiv if Agent has some evidence.
 $P(A/B) \equiv$ probability of A given that ^{all} we know ~~about~~ about is B.

Joint probability Distribution \Rightarrow table

For ex: $P(\text{Weather}, \text{Gravity}) \Rightarrow P(\text{Weather} \wedge \text{Gravity})$
 \downarrow
 4 values {sunny, rain, cloudy, snow}
 \downarrow
 2 values {true, false}
 \downarrow
 4×2 joint probability distribution table.

$$\Rightarrow P(Y) = \sum_{z \in Z} P(Y, z) = \sum_z P(Y/z) \cdot P(z)$$

\downarrow
Y depending on z

$$P(\text{Cavity}) = \sum_z P(\text{Cavity}, z)$$

\therefore Summing out (or)
Marginalization.

Independent
variable \downarrow

Conditioning cavity on $\{\text{Cavity}, \text{Toothache}\}$

is converted into
a conditioned.

Issue with this: For a domain with n Boolean variables
table size goes up to $[2^n]$

building a table itself is hard.

Full joint distribution in tabular form
— Not a practical tool.

for building reasoning systems.

Independence \rightarrow If variables are independent, you
don't need to build any table

For Ex: x and y variables — dependent $\equiv 10 \times 10$
(10 values each)

$$= 100.$$

$$\text{independent} = 10 + 10$$

$$= 20.$$

Ex:

$$P(\text{toothache}, \text{catch}, \text{cavity}, \text{cloudy}) = 2 \times 2 \times 2 = 8 \text{ entries}$$

$$\downarrow P(\text{cloudy} | \text{toothache}, \text{catch}, \text{cavity}) \times$$

$$P(\text{toothache}, \text{catch}, \text{cavity})$$

$$P(\text{cloudy} | \text{toothache}, \text{catch}, \text{cavity}) = P(\text{cloudy}) = 4 \text{ entries}$$

cloudy doesn't depend on all
these factors.

Instead of modelling all the $2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 4 = 32$ entries
we can just do $2 \times 2 \times 2 + 4 = 12$ entries

due to the
independence.

Bayes's Rule →

- $P(A \wedge B) = P(A|B) * P(B)$
- $P(A \wedge B) = P(B|A) * P(A)$
- $P(B|A) = (P(A|B) * P(B)) / P(A)$

$P(\text{effect/cause})$ — causal Knowledge.



"cause is given"

$P(\text{cause|effect})$ — diagnostic Knowledge.



figuring out cause from
the given effects.

S: Patient has stiff neck

M: Patient has meningitis

→ Meningitis causes stiff-neck, 70% of the time.

$$P(S|M) = 0.7 \quad (\text{causal knowledge, does not change})$$

$$P(M) = 1/50,000$$

$$P(S) = 0.01$$

— "model based"

$$P(M|S) = \frac{(0.7 * 1/50,000) / 0.01 = 0.0014}{(P(S|M) * P(M)) / P(S)}$$

stiff neck causing meningitis.

probability is too low because the probability of meningitis itself is low.
↓
very

Computing
Relative likelihoods —

If meningitis & whiplash are two possible explanations for stiff neck

$$P(M|S) = \frac{P(S|M) * P(M)}{P(S)}$$

$$P(W|S) = \frac{P(S|W) * P(W)}{P(S)}$$

$$P(M|S) / P(W|S) = \frac{P(S|M) * P(M)}{P(S|W) * P(W)}$$

$$P(M/S) + P(N(M/S)) = 1$$

$$P(N(M/S)) = P(S/NM) * P(NM) / P(S)$$

$$\Rightarrow P(S/M) * P(M) + P(S/NM) * P(NM) = P(S)$$

→ ~~Bayes~~ Bayes rule for multi-valued variables

$$\rightarrow P(Y|X, e) = P(X|Y, e) * P(Y|e) / P(X, e)$$

e, background evidence.

→ Conditional Independence:-

variables becoming independent in the presence of ^{other variables}
 - toothache and catch are independent given the presence of cavity

catch is not being performed to check for toothache but for catching cavity

$$\Rightarrow P(\text{toothache} \wedge \text{catch} / \text{cavity}) =$$

$$P(\text{toothache} | \text{catch}, \text{cavity}) P(\text{catch} | \text{cavity})$$

↓ reduces the table size. ↓ presence of information about cavity

Ex:
 S: Patient has stiff neck
 H: Patient has headache
 M: Patient has meningitis

$$P(S/M) = 0.7$$

$$P(H/M) = 0.5$$

$$P(M \wedge S \wedge H) = P(S | M \wedge H) * P(M \wedge H)$$

$$= P(S/M) * P(M \wedge H)$$

$$= P(S/M) * P(H/M) * P(M)$$

↓ P(M) ?
 how to combine both the symptoms

stiff neck and headache
 ↓
 are not related but only over meningitis

→ Conditional Independence

Common

decomposing larger tables → small tables

"they become independent in the presence of other variables"

UTILITY THEORY

Utility Theory \equiv deals with outcomes.

$$EU(\text{plan 1}) = P(\text{home-early} / \text{plan 1}) * U(\text{home-early}) + P(\text{stuck 1} / \text{plan 1}) * U(\text{stuck 1})$$

quantifying the probabilities with "utility"

$$EU(\text{Choice 1}) = 10$$

$$EU(\text{Choice 2}) = 9$$

RISK AVERSE

• Convex function \equiv slope of utility function is continuously decreasing

$$U(x+c) - U(x) < U(x) - U(x-c)$$

why you should not play the game?

$$U(x+c) + U(x-c) < 2U(x)$$

$$[U(x+c) + U(x-c)] / 2 < U(x)$$

$$EU(\text{playing the game}) < EU(\text{not playing the game})$$

RISK SEEKER

[concave]

$$EU(\text{choice 1}) = 10$$

$$EU(\text{choice 2}) = 25$$

(he'll definitely play the game)



Problem Statement

which is a rationally better choice?

Choice 1 \equiv without playing, you'll get 1 million dollars
Choice 2 \equiv on playing, if you get head \equiv 3 million dollars
tail \equiv 0 (nothing)

Markov Decision Process (MDP)

≡ Sequential Decision Making Problems.

→ Making complex Decisions —

$\langle S, A, P, R \rangle$

S — state of the agent

A — Actions of the agent

P — Transition function — $P(s' | s, a)$

R

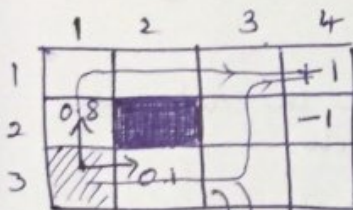
factor the transition uncertainties

probability $q^u s^u$ on performing action a on state s^u

it may not definitely end up.

in "desired state". (probability is present)

might end up in an "undesired state".



$$P(4,3 | (3,3), N) = 0.1$$

$$\rightarrow P((3,2) | (3,3), N) = 0.8$$

Going "N" = North from (3,3) to reach (4,3)

start

How to solve?

1. Simple Search — X Not Deterministic "stochastic"

each plan doesn't account all the other states.

2. Apply "Maximum Expected Utility" to an entire sequence of actions.

≡ In the top plan (set of Actions)

but there's uncertainty is present at every step.

— what if we reached east and not ~~east~~ north.

↓ this state is not even present in the (action sequence).

⇒ Markov Assumption ≡ Transition probabilities from any given state depend only on the "current state" and not on previous history. X.

Decision Epoch \rightarrow Points at which decisions are made

\sqrt{d} Finite horizon MDPs \equiv finite, Time Dependent Policy
 \downarrow No. of decision epochs
 \perp Infinite horizon MDPs \equiv infinite, Time Independent Policy
 [agent's gonna live forever]

Absorbing State \equiv Goal state.

Reward Function $\equiv R(S, A)$ \rightarrow Reward associated with a state and an action.
[default] $R(S)$ \rightarrow if all ~~rewards~~ ^{actions} are associated ~~we~~ have same rewards

$R(S, A, J) \equiv$ associated with a state, action and destination-state.

$$\Rightarrow R(S, A) = \sum R(S, A, J) * P(J/S, A)$$

Decision Rule \equiv Procedure to choose action in each state for a given decision epoch.

Policy \equiv Decision Rule to be used at all decision epochs
(Finite Horizon $T=1$)

Ex: (finite horizon, $T=4$) $\{D_1, D_2, D_3, D_4\}$

Stationary and Deterministic Policies \Rightarrow

- Stationary \equiv same [decision rule] in every epoch

Stationary policy $\equiv \{D, D, D, \dots\}$

Non-stationary policy \equiv changes with time of $D_1, D_2, D_3 \dots D_n$

- Deterministic \equiv choosing an action with certainty.

Computing Optimal Policies:

- Value Iteration -

~~Choose such a path~~

- Iterate - update utility of state "i" using old utility of neighbor states "j", given actions "A"

At $(t-1)$ states $\rightarrow A_t(t)$

Reward (step cost).

$$U_{t+1}(i) = \max \left[R(i, A) + \sum P(j|i, A) * U_t(j) \right]$$

[Bellman update equation]

$$U(i) \leftarrow \max_{\substack{A \\ \text{actions possible}}} (A)$$

max of values for all the actions possible (A)

can reach any of the new states with action A. are summed up.

immediate reward

longer term reward

Algorithm \Rightarrow

- $U_0(i) = 0$.

- Iterate: $U_{t+1}(i) = \max_A \left[R(i, A) + \sum_j P(j|i, A) * U_t(j) \right]$

- Until Close Enough (U_{t+1}, U_t)



\rightarrow determine close enough:

- $\delta = \text{max change in utility of any state in an iteration.}$

- $\delta \leq \text{BOUND}$

- At the end of iteration,

$$\text{Policy}(i) = \text{argmax} (R(i, A) + \sum P(j|i, A) * U(j))$$

Linear Programming Model

Model-1 -

Let x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n = decision variables.

Z = objective function or linear function.

$$Z = c_1x_1 + c_2x_2 + c_3x_3 - \dots - c_nx_n.$$

Maximization of the linear function, Z ,
under various constraints.

Model 2: - (Efficient Notation).

Maximize, $Z = \sum_{j=1}^n c_j x_j$

subject to $\sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} x_j \leq b_j$

where $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$

and $x_j \geq 0$.

where $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

Examples of LP Problems →

- * Product Sell
- * Transportation (minimizing the cost of transportation)
- * Flow Capacity (maximizing the flow capacity)

for Ex: Product Sell: $Z = 13x_1 + 11x_2$

Maximize $Z = 13x_1 + 11x_2$

subject to constraints

$$4x_1 + 5x_2 \leq 1500$$

$$5x_1 + 3x_2 \leq 1575$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 \leq 420.$$

$$x_1 \geq 0$$

$$x_2 \geq 0.$$

13 products - x_1

11 products - x_2

$$4x_1 + 5x_2 \leq 1500$$

(other constraints)

$$5x_1 + 3x_2 \leq 1575$$

$$x_1/60 + x_2/30 \leq 7$$

constraint
Table

	I	II	
Storage	4	5	1500
Raw	5	3	1575
Product Rate	60	30	
Selling	13	11	

Linear Programming for MDPs

Maximize, $\sum_{i \in S} V_i$ (S is the set of states, $V_i = \text{cost of state } i$)

such that: $V_i \leq \left[\underbrace{R(i, A)}_{\text{immediate reward}} + \gamma \sum_A P(j|i, A) \underbrace{V_j}_{\sum_A \text{ (all possible actions)}} \right]$

Linear programming polynomial time formulation.

→ Simplex Method - Dantzig's

↓
slower than
Value Iteration.

Popular Formulation \equiv

$\max \sum_i \sum_a x_{ia} r_{ia} \rightarrow$ performing flow out of state i on action a → reward for taking action a in state i

$$\sum_a x_{ia} - \sum_i \sum_a x_{ia} p_{ij}^a = \alpha_j$$

j - destination
 i - origin

$$\underline{x_{ia} \geq 0}$$

probability of reaching state j when action a is taken in state i

Flow generated by the system \equiv initial probability of being in state j (except for the start states)

$$\sum_i \sum_a (\delta_{ij} - p_{ij}^a) x_{ia} = \alpha_j, x_{ia} \geq 0.$$

↓
Kronecker delta, $\delta_{ij} = 1$ ($j=i$), else 0.

Artificial Intelligence →

$Ax = b$ (Solving MDP using LP)

building "A" matrix

flowing out = +ve for the state
whereas
flowing in = -ve for that state.

CMDDP → to model constraints

↓
Addition of such constraints result in "Constrained MDP"

to include a constraint → very easy when done using LP.

→ goal: OPTIMISE THE TEAM REWARD

CMDDP

MMDP → extension over MDPs for multiple agents.

↓
joint action set, $M = \langle S, \{A_i\}_{i \in m}, T, R \rangle$

↑ team reward function

↓
state is fully observable by each agent.

↓
set of joint action

$\langle a_1, a_2, \dots, a_m \rangle$ where

$a_i \in A_i$

→ Dec-MDP — you may not view your team mate's state,

↓
exponentially harder than MMDP. you will be knowing only your local state

→ goal: OPTIMISE THE TEAM REWARD, but now we need to think through all the possibilities of your team mate [considering all conditions]

Policy Notation:

Policy denoted by π

optimal policy denoted by π^*

$\pi^*(s)$ = optimal policy, state s .

Some (Memory | user)

A B C D

Markov Chain $\rightarrow (U_{t+1}(I) = \underset{\substack{\downarrow \\ \text{no max}}}{R(I, A)} + \gamma \sum_J \underset{\substack{\downarrow \\ \text{2.569} \\ \text{2.000}}}{P(J|I, A)} * U_t(J))$

\rightarrow we can use value iteration algorithm, but with fixed action

\downarrow you are not deciding the action, the policy has already done that for you.

In value iteration, argmax is not needed

\downarrow No need to pick the best action.

Comparing two policies.

\rightarrow if agents continue to live forever, rewards ^{window [1, 4]} accumulated would be infinite

\downarrow how to compare policies? &

Discounting \downarrow Introducing $\gamma = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \gamma^i$

$$U_{t+1}^{(1)} = \max_A [R(I, A) + \gamma \sum_J P(J|I, A) * U_t(J)]$$

POMDP - Partially observable MDP

\downarrow observation uncertainty (vision sensors)

!!
interpreting the world.

\downarrow transition uncertainty.
[can have unintended consequences]
 \downarrow locomotion sensors, your actions

\rightarrow we need to have additional details.

Searching with Partial Observations \rightarrow Action can lead to several possible outcomes.

\rightarrow if agent's percepts provide no information at all \rightarrow "sensorless problem".

searching in belief states \equiv Every possible set of physical states $N \Rightarrow 2^N$ belief states.

Initial state \equiv Set of all states in P unless additional information is provided.

Action sets $\Rightarrow P \equiv$ physical problem

- * All the states in belief state lead same action ^A in P ,
 $A \equiv$ action set.
- * Some state lead different actions, ^{if} non defined actions do not have any effect then new action set,
UNION SETS of All states.
- * Non defined action \equiv end of the world
 \downarrow
Intersection of all states