

XCS221 Assignment 4

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1.a

The recurrence for  $V_{minmax}(s, d)$  is given as:

$$V_{minmax}(s, d) = \begin{cases} \begin{matrix} Utility(s), \\ Eval(s), \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} If IsEnd == True \\ If d == 0 \end{matrix} \\ \max_{a \in Actions(s)} V_{minmax}(Succ(s, a), d), & If Player(s) = a_0 Pacman \\ \min_{a \in Actions(s)} V_{minmax}(Succ(s, a), d), & If Player(s) = a_1 \dots a_{n-1} Ghost \\ \min_{a \in Actions(s)} V_{minmax}(Succ(s, a), d - 1), & If Player(s) = a_n Last Ghost \end{cases}$$

Note that,

- There are a total of  $n+1$  agents labelled as  $a_i$  for  $i=0$  to  $n$ .
- For  $n$  ghosts, recursing through all  $n$  of them is considered a depth of 1. So we need to adjust our  $(d - 1)$  on the last part of the piecewise function.

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The recurrence  $V_{exptmax}(s, d)$  is given as:

$$V_{exptmax}(s, d) = \begin{cases} \begin{matrix} Utility(s), \\ Eval(s), \end{matrix} & \begin{matrix} If IsEnd == True \\ If d == 0 \end{matrix} \\ \max_{a \in Actions(s)} V_{exptmax}(Succ(s, a), d), & If Player(s) = a_0 Pacman \\ \frac{1}{|Actions(s)|} \sum_{a \in Actions(s)} V_{exptmax}(succ(s, a), d), & If Player(s) = a_1 \dots a_{n-1} Ghost \\ \frac{1}{|Actions(s)|} \sum_{a \in Actions(s)} V_{exptmax}(succ(s, a), d-1), & If Player(s) = a_n Last Ghost \end{cases}$$

Note that,

- In this case the ghosts' agents actions are random.
- we take the average motion of the ghosts, uniformly sampling the ghost's agents motion.