# Agents

**Lab 01** 

## **Agenda**

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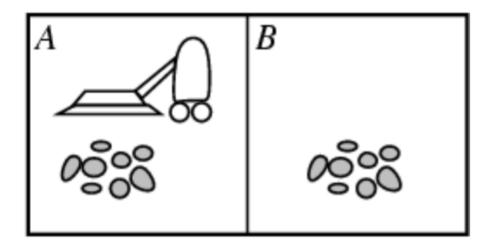
## Vacuum-cleaner world

#### Percepts:

Location, status (e.g., [A, dirty])

#### Actions:

Left, Right, Suck, NoOperation



# Table-driven agent

## **Table-driven agent**

- Refer to table\_driven\_agent.py
- Table contains all possible percepts that can occur
- Each step appends current *percept* to list of *percepts*
- LOOKUP current *percepts* in *table*

## **Table-driven agent**

function TABLE-DRIVEN-AGENT(percept) returns an action
 static: percepts, a sequence, initially empty
 table, a table of actions, indexed by percept sequences, initially fully specified

append percept to the end of percepts action = LOOKUP(percepts, table)
return action



```
def TABLE_DRIVEN_AGENT(percept):
    '''Determine action based on table and percepts'''
    #Append percept
    percepts.append(percept)
    #Lookup appropriate action for percepts return action
    action = LOOKUP(percepts, table)
    return action
```

#### **Exercise 1**

- 1. Run the module (using run())
- 2. The percepts should now be: [('A', 'Clean'), ('A', 'Dirty'), (''B', 'Clean')]
  - The table contains all possible percept sequences to match with the percept history
  - Enter: print(TABLE\_DRIVEN\_AGENT((B, 'Clean')), '\t', percepts)
  - Explain the results
- 3. How many table entries would be required if only the *current* percept was used to select and action rather than the percept history?
- 4. How many table entries are required for an agent lifetime of T steps?

using condition-action rules and if statements

- Refer to reflex\_vacuum\_agent.py
- Only responds to current percept (location and status) ignoring percept history
- Uses condition-action rules rather than a table
  - if condition then return action
  - if status = Dirty then return Suck
- **Sensors()** Function to sense current location and status of environment (i.e., *location* of agent and *status* of square)
- Actuators(action) Function to affect current environment location by some action (i.e., Suck, Left, Right, NoOp)

```
function REFLEX-VACUUM-AGENT( [location, status] )
  returns an action
  if status = Dirty then return Suck
  else if location = A then return Right
  else if location = B then return Left
```



```
def REFLEX_VACUUM_AGENT((location, status)):
    # Determine action
    if status == 'Dirty': return 'Suck'
    elif location == A: return 'Right'
    elif location == B: return 'Left'
```

### **Exercise 2**

- 1. Run the module
- 2. Enter *run(10)*
- 3. Should bogus actions be able to corrupt the environment? Change the REFLEX\_VACUUM\_AGENT to return bogus action, such as *Left* when it should go *Right* etc. Run the agent. Do the Actuators allow bogus actions?

using condition-action rules and dictionaries

- Refer to simple\_reflex\_agent.py
- Condition-action rules
  - rules = { (A,'Dirty'):1, (B,'Dirty'):1, (A,'Clean'):2, (B,'Clean'):3, (A, B, 'Clean'):4 }
    Defines rule for each condition such as: condition == (A,'Dirty') uses rule 1
  - RULE\_ACTION = { 1:'Suck', 2:'Right', 3:'Left', 4:'NoOp' }Defines action for each rule such as: rule 1 produces action 'Suck'

```
function SIMPLE-REFLEX-AGENT( percept ) returns an action
    static: rules, a set of condition-action rules

state = INTERPRET-INPUT( percept )
    rule = RULE-MATCH( state, rules )
    action = RULE-ACTION[ rule ]
    return action
```



```
def SIMPLE_REFLEX_AGENT(percept):
    # Determine action state = INTERPRET_INPUT(percept)
    rule = RULE_MATCH(state,rules)
    action = RULE_ACTION[rule]
    return action
```

### **Exercise 3**

- 1. Run the module
- 2. Enter *run(10)*
- 3. Change the SIMPLE\_REFLEX\_AGENT *condition-action* rules to return bogus actions, such as *Left* when should go *Right*, or *Crash*, etc. Rerun the agent. Do the Actuators allow bogus actions?

# Reflex agent with state/memory

# Reflex agent with state

- Reflex agent only responded to current percepts; no history or knowledge
- Model-based reflex agents:
  - Maintain internal state that depends upon percept history
  - Agent has a model of how the world works
  - The model requires two types of information to update:
    - How environment evolves independent of the agent (e.g., Clean square stays clean)
    - How agent's action affect the environment (e.g., Suck cleans square)

## Reflex agent with state

- Refer to reflex\_agent\_with\_state.py
- Model used to update history
  - History initially empty: model = {A: None, B: None}
  - Model only used to change state when A == B == 'Clean' if model[A] == model[B] == 'Clean': state = (A, B, 'Clean')

```
function REFLEX-AGENT-WITH-STATE( percept ) returns an action
    static: state, a description of the current world state
        rules, a sequence, a set of condition-action rules
        action, the most recent action, initially none
    state = UPDATE-STATE( state, action, percept )
    rule = RULE-MATCH( state, rules )
    action = RULE-ACTION[ rule ]
    return action
```

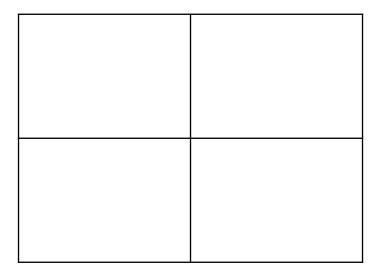
```
def REFLEX_AGENT_WITH_STATE(percept):
    global state, action
    state = UPDATE_STATE(state, action, percept)
    rule = RULE_MATCH(state, rules)
    action = RULE_ACTION[ rule ]
    return action
```

# Homework

## Homework 1 – Simple Reflex Agent

Must be submitted

- Extend the REFLEX\_VACUUM\_AGENT (Exercise 2) program to have 4 locations (4 squares)
  - The agent should only sense and act on the square where it is located
  - Allow any starting square
  - Use run(20) to test and display results



# Homework 2 – Reflex agent with state

#### Must be submitted

- Extend the REFLEX\_AGENT\_WITH\_STATE program to have 4 locations
  - The agent should only sense and act on the square where it is located
  - Allow any starting square
  - Use run(20) to test and display results

