Fundamentals of Artificial Intelligence

Lab 1: Expert Systems

Searching for tourists, expertly

Finally, your dream came true and you've landed a job at "HeinleinAI" – the biggest AI company in the whole Luna-City! You're on a testing period so you will want to make sure that you do your best.

While you are daydreaming about free lunch, the mentor comes and hands you your first task – you'll need to build an expert system. They say that while going through the central library database they stumbled upon this ancient approach that looked like it could solve a particular lunar problem – detecting tourists.

The tourists on Luna-City are a big source of income and while almost every salesman and hotel administrator can easily tell one from a Loonie, our mentor researches a more systematic way of detecting them. While this would prove a trivial task to the city's main computer, resources are scarce these days and so you will be researching alternative, more special approaches.

For starters, research the types of tourists that visit Luna-City and collect a database of at least 5 tourist types and the criteria by which they can be distinguished from Loonies and between themselves (i.e. clothes, accent, gait, height and opinion on politics). After your database is done, create a system that would allow the user to answer some questions about a possible tourist. If the set of given answers matches a type of tourist from the database, this should be the system's answer. If on the other hand, the system determines that the person in question is a Loonie, the answer should be returned accordingly. Make sure to consider the case when the set of answers does not find a match in the database (highly improbable if you've done your research well).

The system that the Luna-City is using is called ELSE. You should upload both the code and a report describing your work in detail on this system.

The Company has a grading policy which is described in the **next page**. If you want to be sure that the company appreciates your work, be sure to follow the guidelines and try to obtain many points.

General guidelines

- Submit your solution as a .zip archive (containing .ipynb and .py code files), and a PDF report uploaded on ELSE.
- For this laboratory you can use the provided code from the archive. Alternatively, you can implement your own code for the Expert System
- Please don't host your solution in public repositories (e.g Github etc). You can use private repositories if you need.
- Plagiarism will not be tolerated.

Grading policy

- Task 1: Define 5 types of tourists. Draw the Goal Tree representing these types of tourists. (1p)
- Task 2: Implement the rules from the defined tree in task 1 in your code (use the IF, AND, OR, THEN etc rules which are already implemented in the code). (1p)
- Task 3: If you are using the provided code, check how the Forward chaining algorithm works and show an example. If you are implementing your own code, implement the Forward chaining algorithm yourself. (0.5p)
- Task 4: Implement the Backward chaining algorithm for the Goal tree. (2p)
- Task 5: Implement a system for generating questions from the goal tree. Have at least 2-3 types of questions (e.g yes/no, multiple choice, etc). (2p)
- Task 6: Wrap up everything in an Interactive Expert System that will dynamically ask questions based on the input from the user. Both forward chaining and backward chaining should be working. (1p)
- Task 7: Format the output and questions to human readable format. (0.5p)
- Report & Presentation of the solution:

Clear explanations, report formatting, code quality, comments in the code, docstrings, visualisations if relevant etc. (2p)

Good Luck!