Autonomous Agents Report

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This report has been written for the Master Artificial Intelligence course Autonomous Agents. The assignments that will be worked out in detail in this report include the following topics: "Single Agent Planning, Single Agent Learning, and Multi-Agent Planning and Learning". In this report motivation will be given for the design choices and specific programming choices that have been made. The explanation and motivation follows the must-have (depicted by \mathbf{M}) and should/could-have (depicted by \mathbf{SC}) structure that has been set up for the assignments. By doing so we hope to make our report easy to read for the teachers/assistants that will be grading this.

1 Assignment 1: Single Agent Planning

1.1 (M) Simulating the Environment

The choice has been made to not encode the positions of the agents as part of a grid, i.e. matrix. Instead the agents both know their own position and on each iteration the position of the other agent is given as input by the environment, as we have stated in the Agent interface. This is needed for prey to see if the predator is next to it, to prevent it moving towards the prey. In the predator's case it might be necessary later on to know the position of the prey although it is not necessary for this particular sub-assignment.

As part of the assignment a mean and a standard deviation was asked for 100 runs with the use of the random policy for the predator's behaviour. The lowest amount of time steps observed was 19 time steps. The optimal amount of time steps given that the prey would remain still throughout the trial run would be 10. The highest amount observed was 1194 steps. The average amount of time steps was 296.93 time steps and the standard deviation was 244.55 time steps (rounded up). This is a clear indication of the inefficiency of the random policy in this particular setting.

- 1.2 (SC) Iterative Policy Evaluation
- 1.3 (SC) State space reduction
- 1.4 (M) Value Iteration

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1.5 (SC) Policy Iteration

2 Appendix

Assignment 1 first \mathbf{M} , 100 runs for the random policy predator.

Timesteps:421

Timesteps:831

Timesteps:476

Timesteps:74

Timesteps:537

Timesteps:40

Timesteps:468

Timesteps:465

Timesteps:105

Timesteps:123

Timesteps:227

Timesteps:658

Timesteps:696

Timesteps:050

Timesteps:426

Timesteps:431

Timesteps. 40.

 ${\bf Timesteps:} 24$

 ${\bf Timesteps:} 197$

Timesteps:517

Timesteps:313

 ${\bf Timesteps:} 492$

 ${\bf Timesteps:} 213$

Timesteps:457

Timesteps: 392

Timesteps:47

Timesteps:178

Timesteps: 459

 ${\bf Timesteps:} 624$

Timesteps: 881

 ${\bf Time steps:} 100$

Timesteps: 244

Timesteps:127 Timesteps:213

Timesteps:145

Timesteps:45

Timesteps:301

Timesteps:628

Timesteps:248

Timesteps: 88

Timesteps:123

Timesteps:82

Timesteps:206

Timesteps: 181

Timesteps: 771

 ${\bf Timesteps:} 114$

Timesteps:238

Timesteps:118

Timesteps:67

Timesteps:41

Timesteps: 662

Timesteps:27

Timesteps:73

Timesteps:217

 ${\bf Timesteps:} 269$

Timesteps:382

Timesteps:60

Timesteps:205

Timesteps:64

Timesteps:133

Timesteps: 232

Timesteps: 148

Timesteps:504

Timesteps:113

Timesteps:316

Timesteps:151

Timesteps:178

Timesteps:53

Timesteps:526

Timesteps:150

Timesteps:690

Timesteps:490

Timesteps:116

Timesteps:288

Timesteps:79

Timesteps:163

Timesteps:266

Timesteps:566

Timesteps:1194

Timesteps:133

Timesteps:690

Timesteps:136

Timesteps: 121

Timesteps:123

Timesteps: 492

Timesteps:288

Timesteps:185

Timesteps:19

Timesteps:78

Timesteps:250

Timesteps:42

Timesteps:268

Timesteps:190

Timesteps:231

Timesteps:393

Timesteps:338

Timesteps:100

Timesteps:49

Timesteps:653

Timesteps:1173

Timesteps:421

Average timesteps over 100 trials: 296.93

Standard deviation over 100 trials: 244.54689754728025