Introduction to intelligent systems

Symbolic AI

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Overview

1. Logic
2. Expert systems
3. Search
4. Demo: Lunar Lander and 2048
5. Tasks

Feedback group

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Learning objectives

I Symbolic AI.

I Forward and backward chaining.

I Monte carlo search.

II Boolean logic.

II Rule-based systems and expert systems.

I Understand the concepts and definitions, and know their application. Reason about the concepts in the context of an example. Use correct technical terminology.

II As above plus: Read, manipulate, and work with technical definitions and expressions (mathematical and Python code). Carry out practical computations. Interpret and evaluate results.

Logic

Boolean algebra notation

- Variables

True	$x = T$	$x = 1$
False	$x = F$	$x = 0$

- Operators

and	$x \wedge y$	$x \cdot y$
or	$x \vee y$	$x + y$
not	$\neg x$	$\overline{x}$

Boolean algebra

Commutative law	$a + b = b + a$ $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$
Associative law	$a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c$ $a \cdot (b \cdot c) = (a \cdot b) \cdot c$
Distributive law	$(a \cdot b) + (a \cdot c) = a \cdot (b + c)$ $(a + b) \cdot (a + c) = a + (b \cdot c)$
Double negative law	$\overline{\overline{a}} = a$
Identities	$a + 0 = a, \qquad a + 1 = 1$ $a \cdot 1 = a, \qquad a \cdot 0 = 0$
Complement law	$a + \overline{a} = 1$ $a \cdot \overline{a} = 0$
Absorbtion laws	$a + a \cdot b = a$ $a + \overline{a} \cdot b = a + b$
DeMorgan's law	$\overline{a \cdot b} = \overline{a} + \overline{b}$ $\overline{a + b} = \overline{a} \cdot \overline{b}$

Boolean function

$$f(x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n)$$

- Inputs: n Boolean values
- Output: A Boolean value

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2. $f(a, b, c) = b \cdot (\overline{a} + \overline{c} + c) + a \cdot \overline{b} \cdot \overline{c} = b + a \cdot \overline{b} \cdot \overline{c} = b + a \cdot \overline{c}$

Expert systems

Expert systems

- A collection of facts and rules

Facts	Observable / inferred variables
Rules	If-statements
	if <condition>
	then <consequent>

- Rules are created by experts

Example: Will I eat chocolate?

if tired
then eat chocolate

if hungry and not have proper food
then eat chocolate

if have proper food
then dont eat chocolate

if tired and not hungry
then dont eat chocolate

Conflicts and undefined cases

Constructing rule that cover all cases without conflict is difficult

Conflict
- Two or more rules fire with conflicting consequents
- Solution: Prioritize rules

Undefined cases
- No rules fire to generate the consequent we are interested in
- Solution: Add more rules or define defaults

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- Conflict: Rule 1 and 4 fire if *tired* and not *hungry*.
- Undefined: No rule fires if not *tired*, not *hungry*, and not *have proper food*.

Forward and backward chaining

Forward chaining Reasoning from the data

1. Apply the first rule that fires
2. The fired rule generates new facts, influencing which rules may fire
3. Repeat from 1, making sure each rule fires only once

Backward chaining Reasoning to prove an outcome

1. Find the rule(s) that could generate the fact we want to prove
2. Check if the conditions of the rule(s) are true
3. If unknown, find the rule(s) that could generate the facts needed for the condition
4. Continue until the fact is proven or we have failed our attempt

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Consider the example on the right (it has no conflicts)

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then *sing*=True

if *birthday*=True and *diet*=False
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1. *sing*=True follows from rule 1. Nothing more can be inferred
2. No it cannot be proven. Only rule 3 could generate *problem*=True but we need *cake*=True. This could only be generated from rule 2 we then need *birthday*=True which we do not have.

Search

AI by search

Search as an AI strategy

- Observables: State of the environment
- Action: Change environment state
- Goal: Take actions to reach a certain desirable state

Monte Carlo search

Exact search is often not feasible

- Large state space: Search all paths not possible
- Approximate search: Find next step that likely leads to a solution
- Requires measure of reward to rank states/partial paths

Monte Carlo search

1. Explore N random paths from current state
2. Score the explored paths by their reward
3. Take the first step that leads to the highest average score
4. Repeat

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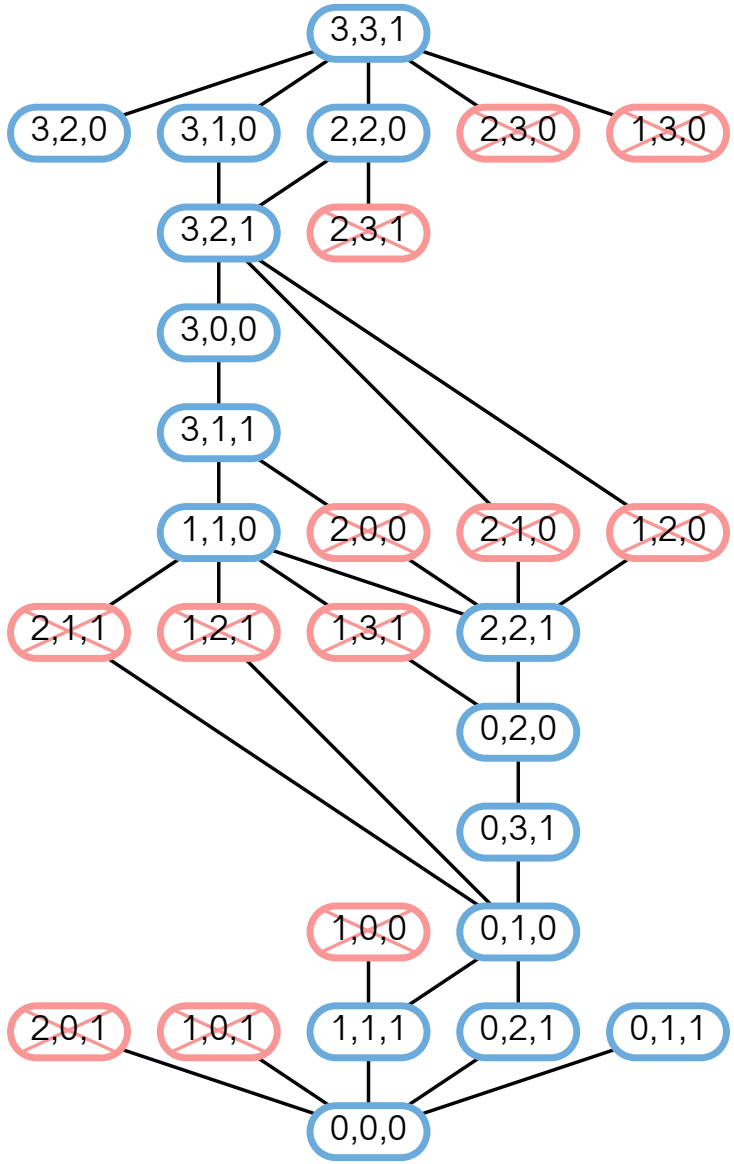

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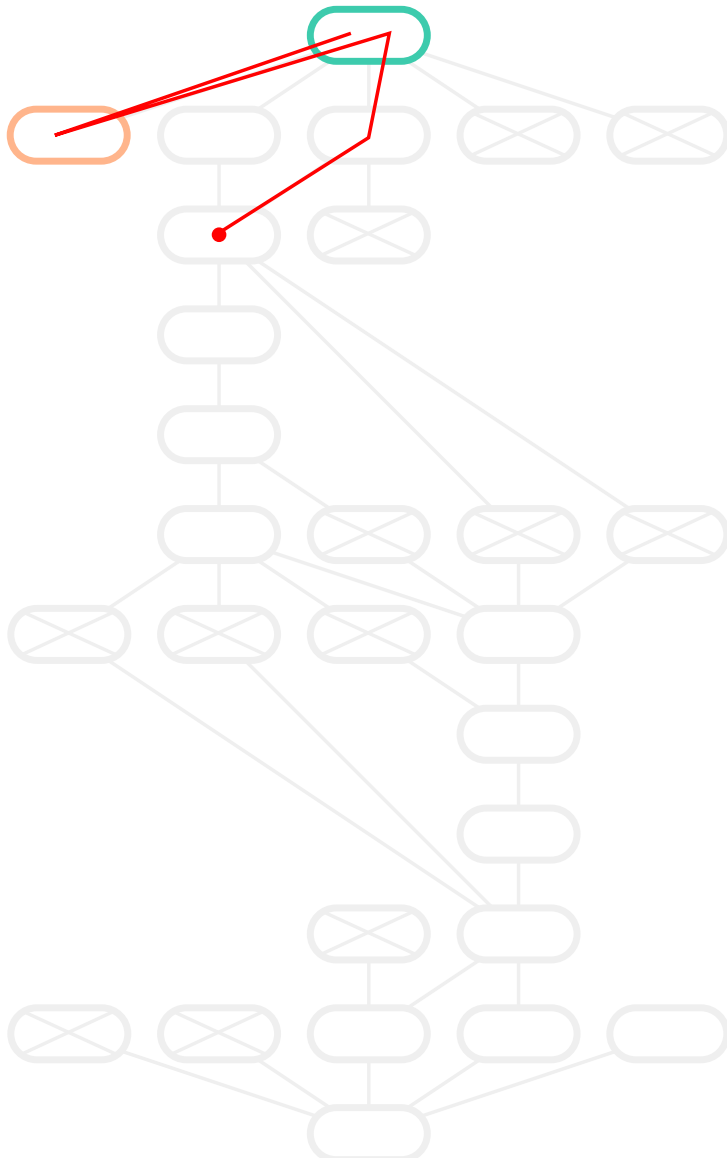

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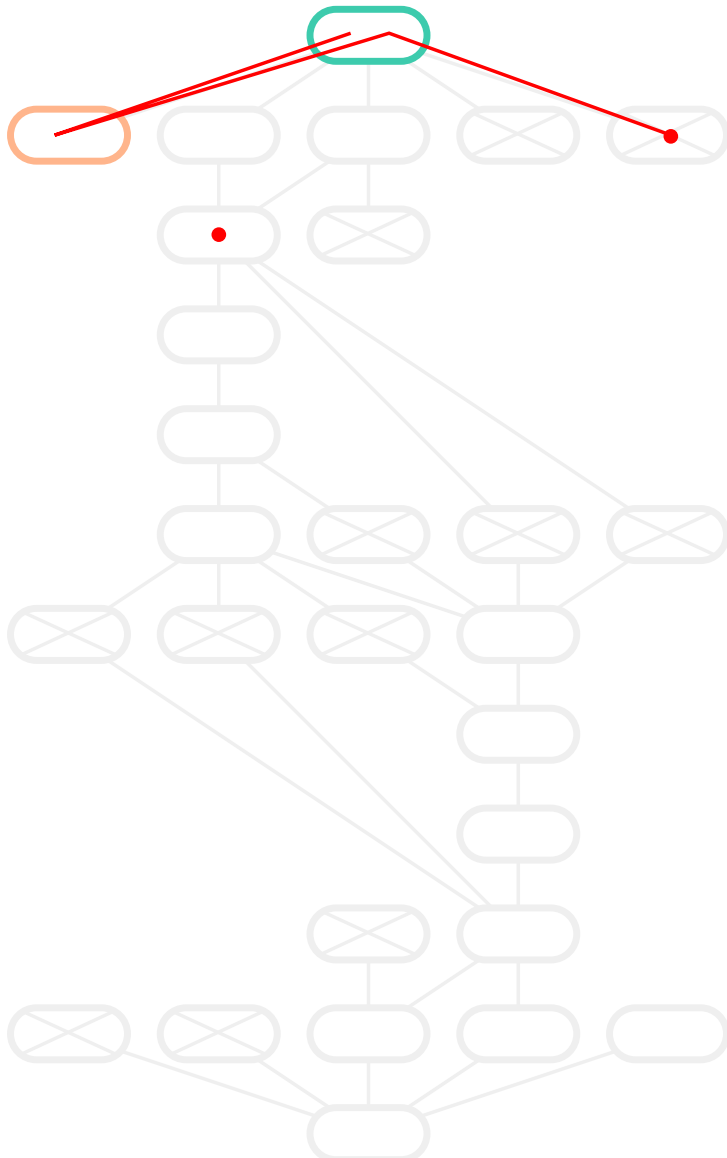

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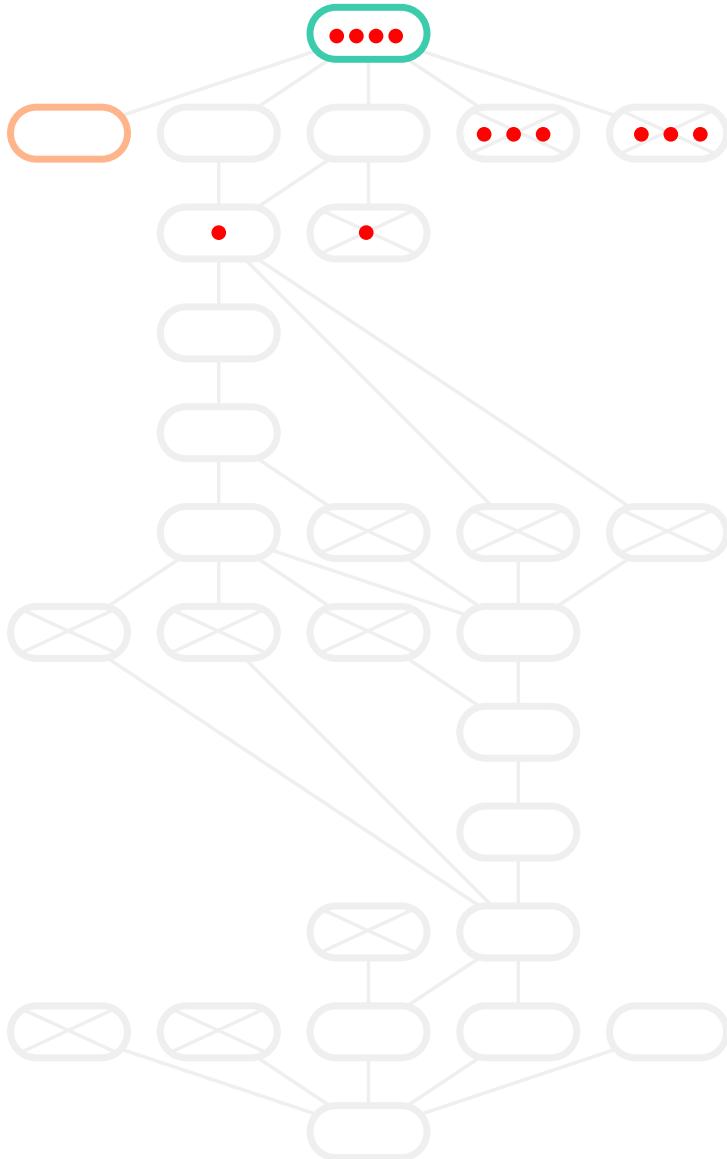

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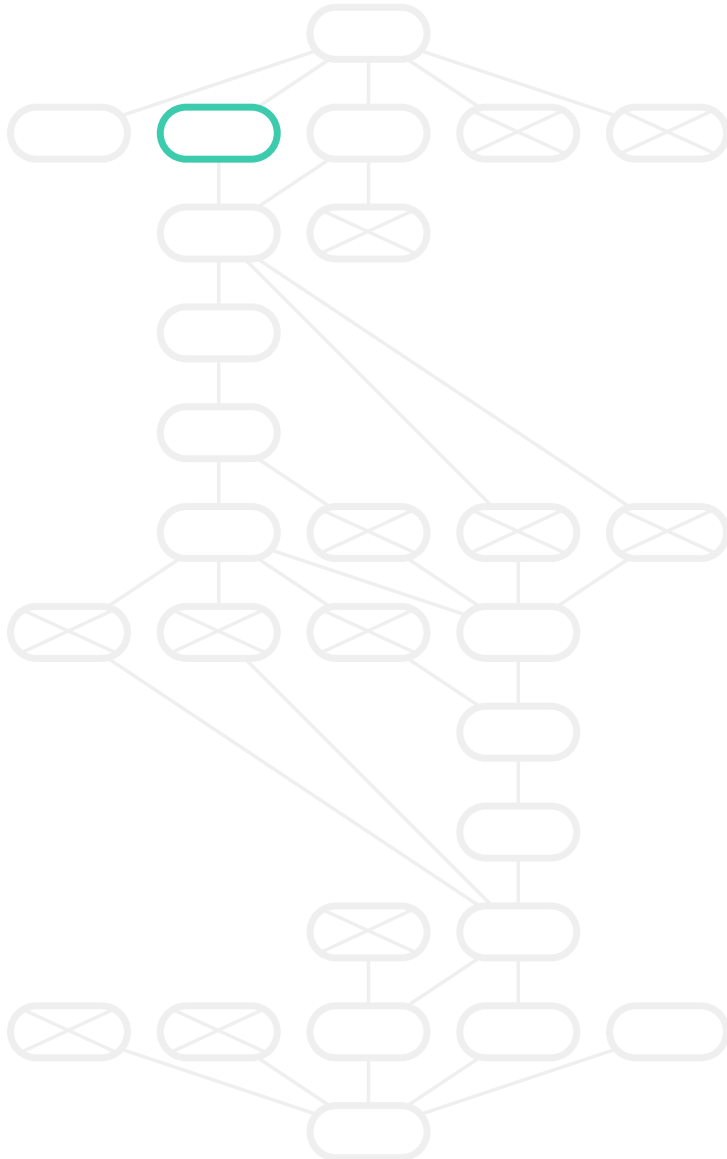

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Tasks

Tasks for today

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- Start working on Lab Report 2: Read description on DTU Learn
- Today's feedback group
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Lab report hand in

- Lab 2: Symbolic AI (Deadline: Thursday 28 September 20:00)

Next time

- Read the notes "Data representation" + Solve all problems