Spike: Spike Project

Title: Tactical Analysis with PlanetWars

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Goals / deliverables:

A Spike is an agile software engineering practice used to overcome some gap in knowledge or skills. In these cases, it is difficult to build a plan or design in which you can have much confidence. The aim of the spike is to overcome these issues as quickly as possible.

Technologies, Tools, and Resources used:

List of information needed by someone trying to reproduce this work

- Python 3+
- Built in Python libraries.
- IDE or Code Editor (Visual Studio Code)

Tasks undertaken:

- Install Python: Download and Install Python 3+ via https://www.python.org/downloads/
- Set up a code editor or IDE: Download and install a python compatible ide or code editor such as Visual Studio Code, PyCharm
- Open and familiarize with the code by reading through, paying attention to the comments that had been made.
- Run the code: Execute the code and observing the output.

What we found out:

In this BlankoEXTW5, this is an improvement from the previous week representing A.I strategy for PlanetWars game. Blanko has follows a set of rules to attack, defend, and scout.

- Tactical analysis: Blanko considers the vulnerability and strategic importance of planets when attacking and defending.
- Fog Of War: Blank manages incomplete or incorrect information by tracking the last seen state of enemy plannets and updating its knowledge with new scouting information.
- Symmetrical and asymmetrical maps: Blank detects symmetry and adjust its based on map layout, exploiting choke points or priority some high value planets. However, this method hasn't been applying to Blanko's strategy yet.
- Programming structured: Blanko has been re-structured from its previous code, therefore it looks more organized as well as easier to read/debug.

Code for Blanko Week 4:

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class BlankoEXT:
  def __init__(self):
     self.target_planets = set()
  def update(self, gameinfo):
    if gameinfo.my_fleets:
    # check if we should attack or defend
    if gameinfo.my_planets and gameinfo.not_my_planets:
       src = max(gameinfo.my_planets.values(), key=lambda p: p.num_ships)
       max_distance = 100
       less_ships = filter(lambda x: x.num_ships < round(src.num_ships * 0.75) and x.id not in self.target_planets and
src.distance_to(x) <= max_distance, gameinfo.not_my_planets.values())</pre>
rate, prioritizing weaker planets
       dest = max(less_ships, default=min(gameinfo.not_my_planets.values(), key=lambda p: p.distance_to(src)),
key=lambda p: (2 * p.num_ships + p.growth_rate) / p.distance_to(src))
       # launch new fleet if there's enough ships
       if src.num_ships > 10:
          gameinfo.planet_order(src, dest, int(src.num_ships * 0.75))
          self.target_planets.add(dest.id)
       print("Planet {} attacked Planet {} from a distance of {:.2f} with {} ships".format(src.id, dest.id,
round(src.distance_to(dest)), round(src.num_ships * 0.75)))
       # Defend planets under attack
       for planet in gameinfo.my_planets.values():
          incoming_fleets = []
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for fleets in gameinfo.enemy_fleets:
            fleet = gameinfo.get_fleet_by_id(fleets)
              if fleet.dest.id == planet.id:
                 incoming_fleets.append(fleet)
            except AttributeError as e:
               print(f"AttributeError: {e}")
          # If there is, send fleets for defends or find friendly planet for reinforcement
          if incoming_fleets:
            total_incoming_ships = sum(fleet.num_ships for fleet in incoming_fleets)
            if planet.num_ships < total_incoming_ships:
               # find the nearest friendly planet with enough ships for reinforcement
               planets_with_enough_ships = [p for p in gameinfo.my_planets.values() if p.num_ships >
total_incoming_ships and p.id != planet.id]
               nearest_planet = min(planets_with_enough_ships, default=None, key=lambda p: p.distance_to(planet))
               if nearest_planet:
                 required_ships = total_incoming_ships - planet.num_ships + 1
                 gameinfo.planet_order(nearest_planet, planet, required_ships) # Send reinforcement
                 print("Planet {} sent {} ships to defend Planet {}".format(nearest_planet.id, required_ships, planet.id))
       for planet in gameinfo.enemy_planets.values():
          if planet.id not in self.target_planets:
            scout_src = min(gameinfo.my_planets.values(), key=lambda p: p.distance_to(planet))
            gameinfo.planet_order(scout_src, planet, 1) # Send scouts
            self.target_planets.add(planet.id)
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class BlankoEXTW5:
  def __init__(self):
    self.target_planets = set()
    self.last_seen = {}
    self.is_symetrical = None
    self.turn = 0
  def detect_map_symmetry(self, gameinfo):
    planet_coords = [tuple(p.position) for p in gameinfo.planets.values()]
    planet_coords_reversed = [(x[1], x[0])] for x in planet_coords]
    return set(planet_coords) == set(planet_coords_reversed)
  def get_least_recently_seen(self, gameinfo):
    if not self.last_seen:
       return None
    min_turn = min(self.last_seen.values())
    planet_id = [k for k, v in self.last_seen.items() if v == min_turn][0]
     return gameinfo.get_planet_by_id(planet_id)
  def get_most_recently_seen(self, gameinfo):
    if not self.last seen:
       return None
    min_turn = max(self.last_seen.values())
    planet_id = [k for k, v in self.last_seen.items() if v == min_turn][0]
    return gameinfo.get_planet_by_id(planet_id)
  def attack(self, gameinfo):
    if gameinfo.my_planets and gameinfo.not_my_planets:
       # Always send from the planet with the highest value
       src = max(gameinfo.my_planets.values(), key=lambda p: p.num_ships)
       max_distance = 100
       less_ships = filter(lambda x: x.num_ships < round(src.num_ships * 0.75)
                    and x.id not in self.target_planets
                    and src.distance_to(x) <= max_distance,
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gameinfo.not_my_planets.values())
       # dest = max(less_ships,
       # Choose the most recently seen enemy planet as the destination
       dest = self.get_most_recently_seen(gameinfo)
       if dest is not None:
         # Choose destination based on the highest value that represents the ratio between distance, value, and growth
rate, prioritizing weaker planets
         dest = max(less_ships,
                 default=min(gameinfo.not_my_planets.values(),
                 key=lambda p: p.distance_to(src)),
                 key=lambda p: (2 * p.num_ships + p.growth_rate) / p.distance_to(src))
       # launch new fleet if there's enough ships
       if src.num_ships > 10:
          gameinfo.planet_order(src, dest, int(src.num_ships * 0.75))
          self.target_planets.add(dest.id)
       print("Planet {} attacked Planet {} from a distance of {:.2f} with {} ships".format(src.id, dest.id,
round(src.distance_to(dest)), round(src.num_ships * 0.75)))
  def defend(self, gameinfo):
    for planet in gameinfo.my_planets.values():
       incoming_fleets = []
       for fleets in gameinfo.enemy_fleets:
          fleet = gameinfo.get_fleet_by_id(fleets)
                incoming_fleets.append(fleet)
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             if nearest_planet:
               required_ships = total_incoming_ships - planet.num_ships + 1
               gameinfo.planet_order(nearest_planet, planet, required_ships) # Send reinforcement
               print("Planet {} sent {} ships to defend Planet {}".format(nearest_planet.id, required_ships, planet.id))
def send_scouts(self, gameinfo):
  for planet in gameinfo.enemy_planets.values():
     if planet.id not in self.last_seen and planet.id not in self.target_planets:
       scout_src = min(gameinfo.my_planets.values(), key=lambda p: p.distance_to(planet))
       gameinfo.planet_order(scout_src, planet, 1) # Send scouts (1 ship)
       self.target_planets.add(planet.id)
       #self.last_seen.add(planet.id)
       self.last_seen[planet.id] = self.turn
       print("Planet {} sent {} ships to scout enemy Planet {}".format(scout_src.id, 1, planet.id))
def update(self, gameinfo):
  self.turn += 1
  # Send scouts to unexplored enemy planets
  self.send_scouts(gameinfo)
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# Defend planets under attack
self.defend(gameinfo)

# Only send one fleet at a time
if gameinfo.my_fleets:
    return

# Attack enemy planets
self.attack(gameinfo)
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Here are some main differences between 2 versions:

Additional attributes:

- self.last_seen
- self.is_symmetrical
- self.turn

Additional methods:

- detect_map_symmetryc
- get_least_recently_seen
- get_most_recently_seen

Game logic has been separate into multiple methods making it more modular (attack, defend, send_scouts).

Overall, in the newest version, Blanko has been more organized and modular with improved logic for attack, defend and send scouts, it also adds functionality to keep track of the last seen enemy planets and detect map symmetry which will be applying in the future.