## Agents

Lab 1

#### **Agenda**

- 1. Table-driven agent
- 2. Simple reflex agent
- 3. Reflex agent with state/memory
- 4. Homework

## Table-driven agent

#### **Table-driven agent**

- Refer to table\_driven\_agent.py
- table\_definition 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: Percept) -> Action: # Determine action based on table and percepts
  total_percepts.append(percept) # Add percept
  return LOOKUP(total_percepts, table_definition) # Lookup appropriate action for percepts
```

#### Exercise 1 – A complicated history

- 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?

## Reflex vacuum agent

using condition-action rules and if statements

#### Reflex vacuum agent

- 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
  - e.g. 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)

#### Simple reflex agent

```
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 evaluate(self) -> Action:
    """:return: The action that the agent has chosen to take. For printing purposes"""
    state = self.sensor()
    action = self.choose_action(state)
    self.actuator(action)
    return action
```

```
@staticmethod
def choose_action(state: LocationState) -> Action:
    if state[1] == States.DIRTY:
        return Action.SUCK
    if state[0] == Location.A:
        return Action.RIGHT
    if state[0] == Location.B:
        return Action.LEFT
```

#### Exercise 2 – Bogus actions

- 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?

#### Exercise 3 – A whole new world

- 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
  - Hint investigate Enums.py



# Reflex agent with state/memory

#### Reflex agent with state

- A 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: Unknown, B: Unknown}
  - Model only used to change action when A == B == 'Clean' if model[A] == model[B] == 'Clean': action= NO\_OP

#### Reflex agent with state

```
def act(self, environment: EnvironmentClass) -> Action:
    percept = self.sensors(environment)
    self.state = percept
    self.update_state(percept)
    action = self.match_rule()
    self.actuators(action, environment)
    return action
```

### Homework

#### Homework 1 – Remembering the whole world

- 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

