

CISC 6525 Fall 2018 Artificial Intelligence
Topics Covered

1. Computer Vision
 - a. Virtual machine, use of OpenCv and use of ROS
 - b. Image formation, image storage and image manipulation by computer
 - c. Low level image operations: blurring, smoothing, sharpening, kernel operations
 - d. Image segmentation, Cues for 3D structure, Stereovision, Optical flow
 - e. Object Recognition
2. Robotics
 - a. Mobile robot Kinematics
 - b. Motion planning
 - c. Mapping and localization
3. Rationality
 - a. Definition of Agent, Rationality, Autonomy
 - b. PEAS framework – be able to apply to any problem
 - c. Formalization of vacuum cleaner world: State, Actions, etc.
 - d. Types of environment: Observable, deterministic, static, etc.
 - e. The agent function
 - f. Types of agent: table driven, reflex, model-based etc.
4. Problem solving agents
 - a. Search definitions: search tree, node, state, actions, successor fn, etc.
 - b. Pseudo code for tree search
 - c. Different kinds of search: BFS, DFS, uniform cost search, iterative deepening search.
 - d. Time, space complexity, completeness and optimality for each kind (the Table)
5. Heuristic Search
 - a. Defn of best first search, Heuristic
 - b. Greedy best first search
 - c. A* search: $f(x) = g(x) + h(x)$
 - d. Admissible and dominant heuristics, problem relaxation
 - e. Time, space complexity, completeness and optimality for A* and greed search
 - f. Local search – Hill climbing, definition and use limitations
 - g. Local beam search, definition and use
6. Adversarial search
 - a. 2-player game tree, definitions
 - b. utility function, features, evaluation function
 - c. minimax definition, algorithm and properties
 - d. alpha-beta pruning, definition and use

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7. Logical Agents
 - a. Wumpus world, PEAS definition.
 - b. Models and Entailment, KB entails alpha.
 - c. Propositional logic in Wumpus world
 - d. Truth table entailment, definition, algorithm, and use
 - e. Proof methods: model checking and application of inference rules
 - f. Conjunctive normal form and resolution, using resolution
 - g. Horn form, backwards and forward chaining
8. First order logic
 - a. Difference from propositional logic
 - b. Understand the use of quantifiers, etc.
 - c. Be able to phrase constraints in FOL and vice-versa
 - d. Understand substitutions, eg $S = \text{Smarter}(x,y)$ $\sigma = \{x/\text{Hillary}, y/\text{Bill}\}$
 - e. Use in wumpus world: diagnostic and causal rules.

9. Planning
 - a. How different from search
 - b. Representation of actions, states and goals
 - c. Preconditions, effects; add/delete lists
 - d. Definitions: strips assumption, frame problem, closed world assumption
 - e. Be able to read action schemas, states, goals and plans
 - f. Forward/progressive, backward/regressive planning, be able to do both on paper – know where and why a search heuristic applies to these
 - g. Partial order planning – new plan representation and know how to deal with conflicts for simple examples.
 - h. Planning graph
10. Uncertainty
 - a. How is probability used by an agent to account for uncertainty
 - b. Random variables and atomic events
 - c. Basic definitions of probability, probability distribution (or density) and conditional probability
 - d. How to use a joint probability distribution to answer queries about a domain (inference by enumeration), be able to do simple examples on paper
11. Bayes networks
 - a. How to represent a Bayesian network, CPT, nodes, parents, children, Markov blanket, compact calculation
 - b. How to calculate all the joint distribution probabilities
 - c. How to handle hidden variables in a query
 - d. Exact vs. inexact
12. Time
 - a. Filtering a DBN, smoothing and Viterbi algorithm
 - b. HMM modeling – usage, relationship to DBN
 - c. Kalman filter – simple usage
 - d. Particle filter – algorithm
13. MDP
 - a. Definitions and representation
 - b. Bellman equation, value iteration calculation

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