Python code for Artificial Intelligence: Foundations of Computational Agents

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Python for Artificial Intelligence

1.1 Why Python?

We use Python because Python programs can be close to pseudo-code. It is designed for humans to read.

Python is reasonably efficient. Efficiency is usually not a problem for small examples. If your Python code is not efficient enough, a general procedure to improve it is to find out what is taking most the time, and implement just that part more efficiently in some lower-level language. Most of these lower-level languages interoperate with Python nicely. This will result in much less programming and more efficient code (because you will have more time to optimize) than writing everything in a low-level language. You will not have to do that for the code here if you are using it for course projects.

1.2 Getting Python

You need Python 3 (http://python.org/) and matplotlib (http://matplotlib.org/) that runs with Python 3. This code is *not* compatible with Python 2 (e.g., with Python 2.7).

Download and istall the latest Python 3 release from http://python.org/. This should also install *pip*3. You can install matplotlib using

pip3 install matplotlib

in a terminal shell (not in Python). That should "just work". If not, try using pip instead of pip3.

The command python or python3 should then start the interactive python shell. You can quit Python with a control-D or with quit().

To upgrade matplotlib to the latest version (which you should do if you install a new version of Python) do:

```
pip3 install --upgrade matplotlib
```

We recommend using the enhanced interactive python **ipython** (http://ipython.org/). To install ipython after you have installed python do:

```
pip3 install ipython
```

1.3 Running Python

We assume that everything is done with an interactive Python shell. You can either do this with an IDE, such as IDLE that comes with standard Python distributions, or just running ipython3 (or perhaps just ipython) from a shell.

Here we describe the most simple version that uses no IDE. If you download the zip file, and cd to the "aipython" folder where the .py files are, you should be able to do the following, with user input following: . The first ipython3 command is in the operating system shell (note that the -i is important to enter interactive mode), with user input in bold:

```
ipython -i searchGeneric.py
Python 3.6.5 (v3.6.5:f59c0932b4, Mar 28 2018, 05:52:31)
Type 'copyright', 'credits' or 'license' for more information
IPython 6.2.1 -- An enhanced Interactive Python. Type '?' for help.
Testing problem 1:
7 paths have been expanded and 4 paths remain in the frontier
Path found: a --> b --> c --> d --> g
Passed unit test
In [1]: searcher2 = AStarSearcher(searchProblem.acyclic_delivery_problem) #A*
In [2]: searcher2.search() # find first path
16 paths have been expanded and 5 paths remain in the frontier
Out[2]: o103 --> o109 --> o119 --> o123 --> r123
In [3]: searcher2.search() # find next path
21 paths have been expanded and 6 paths remain in the frontier
Out[3]: o103 --> b3 --> b4 --> o109 --> o119 --> o123 --> r123
In [4]: searcher2.search() # find next path
28 paths have been expanded and 5 paths remain in the frontier
Out[4]: o103 --> b3 --> b1 --> b2 --> b4 --> o109 --> o119 --> o123 --> r123
In [5]: searcher2.search() # find next path
No (more) solutions. Total of 33 paths expanded.
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```

1.4. Pitfalls

In [6]:

You can then interact at the last prompt.

There are many textbooks for Python. The best source of information about python is https://www.python.org/. We will be using Python 3; please download the latest release. The documentation is at https://docs.python.org/3/.

The rest of this chapter is about what is special about the code for AI tools. We will only use the Standard Python Library and matplotlib. All of the exercises can be done (and should be done) without using other libraries; the aim is for you to spend your time thinking about how to solve the problem rather than searching for pre-existing solutions.

1.4 Pitfalls

It is important to know when side effects occur. Often AI programs consider what would happen or what may have happened. In many such cases, we don't want side effects. When an agent acts in the world, side effects are appropriate.

In Python, you need to be careful to understand side effects. For example, the inexpensive function to add an element to a list, namely *append*, changes the list. In a functional language like Haskell or Lisp, adding a new element to a list, without changing the original list, is a cheap operation. For example if x is a list containing n elements, adding an extra element to the list in Python (using *append*) is fast, but it has the side effect of changing the list x. To construct a new list that contains the elements of x plus a new element, without changing the value of x, entails copying the list, or using a different representation for lists. In the searching code, we will use a different representation for lists for this reason.

1.5 Features of Python

1.5.1 Lists, Tuples, Sets, Dictionaries and Comprehensions

We make extensive uses of lists, tuples, sets and dictionaries (dicts). See https://docs.python.org/3/library/stdtypes.html

One of the nice features of Python is the use of list comprehensions (and also tuple, set and dictionary comprehensions).

(fe for e in iter if cond)

enumerates the values *fe* for each *e* in *iter* for which *cond* is true. The "if cond" part is optional, but the "for" and "in" are not optional. Here *e* has to be a variable, *iter* is an iterator, which can generate a stream of data, such as a list, a set, a range object (to enumerate integers between ranges) or a file. *cond*

is an expression that evaluates to either True or False for each *e*, and *fe* is an expression that will be evaluated for each value of *e* for which *cond* returns *True*.

The result can go in a list or used in another iteration, or can be called directly using *next*. The procedure *next* takes an iterator returns the next element (advancing the iterator) and raises a StopIteration exception if there is no next element. The following shows a simple example, where user input is prepended with >>>

```
>>> [e*e for e in range(20) if e%2==0]
[0, 4, 16, 36, 64, 100, 144, 196, 256, 324]
>>> a = (e*e for e in range(20) if e%2==0)
>>> next(a)
0
>>> next(a)
4
>>> next(a)
16
>>> list(a)
[36, 64, 100, 144, 196, 256, 324]
>>> next(a)
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "<stdin>", line 1, in <module>
StopIteration
```

Notice how list(a) continued on the enumeration, and got to the end of it.

Comprehensions can also be used for dictionaries. The following code creates an index for list *a*:

```
>>> a = ["a","f","bar","b","a","aaaaa"]
>>> ind = {a[i]:i for i in range(len(a))}
>>> ind
{'a': 4, 'f': 1, 'bar': 2, 'b': 3, 'aaaaa': 5}
>>> ind['b']
3
```

which means that 'b' is the 3rd element of the list.

The assignment of *ind* could have also be written as:

```
>>> ind = {val:i for (i,val) in enumerate(a)}
```

where *enumerate* returns an iterator of (*index*, *value*) pairs.

1.5.2 Functions as first-class objects

Python can create lists and other data structures that contain functions. There is an issue that tricks many newcomers to Python. For a local variable in a function, the function uses the last value of the variable when the function is

called, not the value of the variable when the function was defined (this is called "late binding"). This means if you want to use the value a variable has when the function is created, you need to save the current value of that variable. Whereas Python uses "late binding" by default, the alternative that newcomers often expect is "early binding", where a function uses the value a variable had when the function was defined, can be easily implemented.

Consider the following programs designed to create a list of 5 functions, where the *i*th function in the list is meant to add *i* to its argument:¹

```
_pythonDemo.py — Some tricky examples
   fun_list1 = []
11
   for i in range(5):
12
       def fun1(e):
13
           return e+i
14
       fun_list1.append(fun1)
15
16
   fun_list2 = []
17
   for i in range(5):
18
       def fun2(e,iv=i):
19
20
           return e+iv
       fun_list2.append(fun2)
21
22
   fun_list3 = [lambda e: e+i for i in range(5)]
23
24
   fun_list4 = [lambda e,iv=i: e+iv for i in range(5)]
25
26
27
   i=56
```

Try to predict, and then test to see the output, of the output of the following calls, remembering that the function uses the latest value of any variable that is not bound in the function call:

```
pythonDemo.py — (continued)

# in Shell do

## ipython -i pythonDemo.py

# Try these (copy text after the comment symbol and paste in the Python prompt):

# print([f(10) for f in fun_list1])

# print([f(10) for f in fun_list2])

# print([f(10) for f in fun_list3])

# print([f(10) for f in fun_list4])
```

In the first for-loop, the function *fun* uses *i*, whose value is the last value it was assigned. In the second loop, the function *fun*2 uses *iv*. There is a separate *iv* variable for each function, and its value is the value of *i* when the function was defined. Thus *fun*1 uses late binding, and *fun*2 uses early binding. *fun*1ist3

¹Numbered lines are Python code available in the code-directory, aipython. The name of the file is given in the gray text above the listing. The numbers correspond to the line numbers in that file.

and *fun_list*4 are equivalent to the first two (except *fun_list*4 uses a different *i* variable).

One of the advantages of using the embedded definitions (as in *fun*1 and *fun*2 above) over the lambda is that is it possible to add a __doc__ string, which is the standard for documenting functions in Python, to the embedded definitions.

1.5.3 Generators and Coroutines

Python has generators which can be used for a form of coroutines.

The yield command returns a value that is obtained with next. It is typically used to enumerate the values for a for loop or in generators. (The yield command can also be used for coroutines, but we only us it for genertors in AIPython.)

A version of the built-in *range*, with 2 or 3 arguments (and positive steps) can be implemented as:

```
_pythonDemo.py — (continued)
   def myrange(start, stop, step=1):
37
       """enumerates the values from start in steps of size step that are
38
39
       less than stop.
40
       assert step>0, "only positive steps implemented in myrange"
41
       i = start
42
       while i<stop:
43
           yield i
44
45
           i += step
46
  print("list(myrange(2,30,3)):",list(myrange(2,30,3)))
```

Note that the built-in *range* is unconventional in how it handles a single argument, as the single argument acts as the second argument of the function. Note also that the built-in range also allows for indexing (e.g., range(2,30,3)[2] returns 8), which the above implementation does not. However *myrange* also works for floats, which the built-in range does not.

Exercise 1.1 Implement a version of *myrange* that acts like the built-in version when there is a single argument. (Hint: make the second argument have a default value that can be recognized in the function.)

Yield can be used to generate the same sequence of values as in the example of Section 1.5.1:

```
def ga(n):
"""generates square of even nonnegative integers less than n"""
for e in range(n):
    if e%2==0:
        yield e*e

49 def ga(n):
    """generates square of even nonnegative integers less than n"""

50    if e%2==0:
        yield e*e
```

The sequence of next(a), and list(a) gives exactly the same results as the comprehension in Section 1.5.1.

It is straightforward to write a version of the built-in *enumerate*. Let's call it *myenumerate*:

Exercise 1.2 Write a version of *enumerate* where the only iteration is "for val in enum". Hint: keep track of the index.

1.6 Useful Libraries

1.6.1 Timing Code

In order to compare algorithms, we often want to compute how long a program takes; this is called the **runtime** of the program. The most straightforward way to compute runtime is to use *time.perf_counter()*, as in:

```
import time
start_time = time.perf_counter()
compute_for_a_while()
end_time = time.perf_counter()
print("Time:", end_time - start_time, "seconds")
```

Note that time.perf_counter() measures clock time; so this should be done without user interaction between the calls. On the console, you should do:

```
start_time = time.perf_counter(); compute_for_a_while(); end_time = time.perf_counter()
```

If this time is very small (say less than 0.2 second), it is probably very inaccurate, and it may be better to run your code many times to get a more accurate count. For this you can use *timeit* (https://docs.python.org/3/library/timeit.html). To use timeit to time the call to *foo.bar(aaa)* use:

The setup is needed so that Python can find the meaning of the names in the string that is called. This returns the number of seconds to execute *foo.bar(aaa)* 100 times. The variable *number* should be set so that the runtime is at least 0.2 seconds.

You should not trust a single measurement as that can be confounded by interference from other processes. *timeit.repeat* can be used for running *timit* a few (say 3) times. Usually the minimum time is the one to report, but you should be explicit and explain what you are reporting.

1.6.2 Plotting: Matplotlib

The standard plotting for Python is matplotlib (http://matplotlib.org/). We will use the most basic plotting using the pyplot interface.

Here is a simple example that uses everything we will use.

```
_pythonDemo.py — (continued) _
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
   def myplot(minv,maxv,step,fun1,fun2):
62
       plt.ion() # make it interactive
63
       plt.xlabel("The x axis")
64
       plt.ylabel("The y axis")
65
       plt.xscale('linear') # Makes a 'log' or 'linear' scale
66
       xvalues = range(minv,maxv,step)
67
       plt.plot(xvalues,[fun1(x) for x in xvalues],
68
                  label="The first fun")
69
       plt.plot(xvalues,[fun2(x) for x in xvalues], linestyle='--',color='k',
70
                  label=fun2.__doc__) # use the doc string of the function
71
       plt.legend(loc="upper right") # display the legend
72
73
   def slin(x):
74
       """y=2x+7"""
75
       return 2*x+7
76
77
   def sqfun(x):
       """y=(x-40)^2/10-20"""
78
79
       return (x-40)**2/10-20
80
   # Try the following:
81
   # from pythonDemo import myplot, slin, sqfun
82
   # import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
83
   # myplot(0,100,1,slin,sqfun)
84
   # plt.legend(loc="best")
85
   # import math
86
   \# plt.plot([41+40*math.cos(th/10) for th in range(50)],
             [100+100*math.sin(th/10) for th in range(50)])
88
   # plt.text(40,100,"ellipse?")
89
90 | # plt.xscale('log')
```

At the end of the code are some commented-out commands you should try in interactive mode. Cut from the file and paste into Python (and remember to remove the comments symbol and leading space).

1.7 Utilities

1.7.1 Display

In this distribution, to keep things simple and to only use standard Python, we use a text-oriented tracing of the code. A graphical depiction of the code could

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override the definition of *display* (but we leave it as a project).

The method *self .display* is used to trace the program. Any call

```
self.display(level, to_print . . . )
```

where the level is less than or equal to the value for *max_display_level* will be printed. The *to_print*... can be anything that is accepted by the built-in *print* (including any keyword arguments).

The definition of display is:

```
___display.py — A simple way to trace the intermediate steps of algorithms. ___
   class Displayable(object):
11
       """Class that uses 'display'.
12
       The amount of detail is controlled by max_display_level
13
14
       max_display_level = 1 # can be overridden in subclasses
15
16
       def display(self,level,*args,**nargs):
17
           """print the arguments if level is less than or equal to the
18
19
           current max_display_level.
           level is an integer.
20
           the other arguments are whatever arguments print can take.
21
22
           if level <= self.max_display_level:</pre>
23
               print(*args, **nargs) ##if error you are using Python2 not
                    Python3
```

Note that *args* gets a tuple of the positional arguments, and *nargs* gets a dictionary of the keyword arguments). This will not work in Python 2, and will give an error.

Any class that wants to use *display* can be made a subclass of *Displayable*. To change the maximum display level to say 3, for a class do:

```
Classname.max\_display\_level = 3
```

which will make calls to *display* in that class print when the value of *level* is less than-or-equal to 3. The default display level is 1. It can also be changed for individual objects (the object value overrides the class value).

The value of *max_display_level* by convention is:

- **0** display nothing
- 1 display solutions (nothing that happens repeatedly)
- 2 also display the values as they change (little detail through a loop)
- 3 also display more details
- 4 and above even more detail

In order to implement more sophisticated visualizations of the algorithm, we add a **visualize** "decorator" to the methods to be visualized. The following code ignores the decorator:

```
display.py — (continued)

def visualize(func):

"""A decorator for algorithms that do interactive visualization.

Ignored here.

"""

return func
```

1.7.2 Argmax

Python has a built-in *max* function that takes a generator (or a list or set) and returns the maximum value. The *argmax* method returns the index of an element that has the maximum value. If there are multiple elements with the maximum value, one if the indexes to that value is returned at random. *argmaxe* assumes an enumeration; a generator of (*element*, *value*) pairs, as for example is generated by the built-in *enumerate*(*list*) for lists or *dict.items*() for dicts.

```
_utilities.py — AIPython useful utilities
   import random
11
   import math
12
13
   def argmaxall(gen):
14
       """gen is a generator of (element, value) pairs, where value is a real.
15
       argmaxall returns a list of all of the elements with maximal value.
16
17
       maxv = -math.inf
                              # negative infinity
18
       maxvals = []
                         # list of maximal elements
19
       for (e,v) in gen:
20
           if v>maxv:
21
               maxvals, maxv = [e], v
22
           elif v==maxv:
23
               maxvals.append(e)
24
25
       return maxvals
26
   def argmaxe(gen):
27
       """gen is a generator of (element, value) pairs, where value is a real.
28
       argmaxe returns an element with maximal value.
29
       If there are multiple elements with the max value, one is returned at
30
           random.
31
       return random.choice(argmaxall(gen))
32
33
   def argmax(lst):
       """returns maximum index in a list"""
35
       return argmaxe(enumerate(lst))
36
   # Try:
37
```

```
38  # argmax([1,6,3,77,3,55,23])
39
40  def argmaxd(dct):
    """returns the arx max of a dictionary dct"""
42   return argmaxe(dct.items())
43  # Try:
44  # arxmaxd({2:5,5:9,7:7})
```

Exercise 1.3 Change argmax to have an optional argument that specifies whether you want the "first", "last" or a "random" index of the maximum value returned. If you want the first or the last, you don't need to keep a list of the maximum elements.

1.7.3 Probability

For many of the simulations, we want to make a variable True with some probability. flip(p) returns True with probability p, and otherwise returns False.

```
def flip(prob):
"""return true with probability prob"""
return random.random() < prob
```

1.7.4 Dictionary Union

This is now | in Python 3.9, so will be replaced.

The function $dict_union(d1, d2)$ returns the union of dictionaries d1 and d2. If the values for the keys conflict, the values in d2 are used. This is similar to dict(d1, **d2), but that only works when the keys of d2 are strings.

```
_utilities.py — (continued)
   def dict_union(d1,d2):
49
       """returns a dictionary that contains the keys of d1 and d2.
50
       The value for each key that is in d2 is the value from d2,
51
       otherwise it is the value from d1.
52
       This does not have side effects.
53
       d = dict(d1)
                      # copy d1
55
       d.update(d2)
       return d
57
```

1.8 Testing Code

It is important to test code early and test it often. We include a simple form of **unit test**. The value of the current module is in __name__ and if the module is run at the top-level, it's value is "__main__". See https://docs.python.org/3/library/_main__.html.

The following code tests argmax and dict_union, but only when if utilities is loaded in the top-level. If it is loaded in a module the test code is not run.

In your code you should do more substantial testing than we do here, in particular testing the boundary cases.

```
__utilities.py — (continued) _
   def test():
59
       """Test part of utilities"""
60
       assert argmax(enumerate([1,6,55,3,55,23])) in [2,4]
61
62
       assert dict_union({1:4, 2:5, 3:4},{5:7, 2:9}) == {1:4, 2:9, 3:4, 5:7}
       print("Passed unit test in utilities")
63
64
   if __name__ == "__main__":
65
66
       test()
```

Agents and Control

This implements the controllers described in Chapter 2.

In this version the higher-levels call the lower-levels. A more sophisticated version may have them run concurrently (either as coroutines or in parallel). The higher-levels calling the lower-level works in simulated environments when there is a single agent, and where the lower-level are written to make sure they return (and don't go on forever), and the higher level doesn't take too long (as the lower-levels will wait until called again).

2.1 Representing Agents and Environments

An agent observes the world, and carries out actions in the environment, it also has an internal state that it updates. The environment takes in actions of the agents, updates it internal state and returns the percepts.

In this implementation, the state of the agent and the state of the environment are represented using standard Python variables, which are updated as the state changes. The percepts and the actions are represented as variable-value dictionaries.

An agent implements the go(n) method, where n is an integer. This means that the agent should run for n time steps.

In the following code raise NotImplementedError() is a way to specify an abstract method that needs to be overidden in any implemented agent or environment.

```
"""set up the agent"""
self.env=env

def go(self,n):
    """acts for n time steps"""
raise NotImplementedError("go") # abstract method
```

The environment implements a do(action) method where action is a variable-value dictionary. This returns a percept, which is also a variable-value dictionary. The use of dictionaries allows for structured actions and percepts.

Note that *Environment* is a subclass of *Displayable* so that it can use the *display* method described in Section 1.7.1.

```
_agents.py — (continued)
   from display import Displayable
22
   class Environment(Displayable):
23
       def initial_percepts(self):
24
           """returns the initial percepts for the agent"""
25
           raise NotImplementedError("initial_percepts") # abstract method
26
27
       def do(self,action):
28
           """does the action in the environment
29
           returns the next percept """
30
           raise NotImplementedError("do") # abstract method
31
```

2.2 Paper buying agent and environment

To run the demo, in folder "aipython", load "agents.py", using e.g., ipython -i agents.py, and copy and paste the commented-out commands at the bottom of that file. This requires Python 3 with matplotlib.

This is an implementation of the paper buying example.

2.2.1 The Environment

The environment state is given in terms of the *time* and the amount of paper in *stock*. It also remembers the in-stock history and the price history. The percepts are the price and the amount of paper in stock. The action of the agent is the number to buy.

Here we assume that the prices are obtained from the *prices* list plus a random integer in range [0, max_price_addon) plus a linear "inflation". The agent cannot access the price model; it just observes the prices and the amount in stock.

```
_____agents.py — (continued) ______

33 | class TP_env(Environment):
```

```
prices = [234, 234, 234, 234, 255, 255, 275, 275, 211, 211, 211,
34
35
       234, 234, 234, 234, 199, 199, 275, 275, 234, 234, 234, 234, 255,
       255, 260, 260, 265, 265, 265, 265, 270, 270, 255, 255, 260, 260,
36
       265, 265, 150, 150, 265, 265, 270, 270, 255, 255, 260, 260, 265,
37
       265, 265, 265, 270, 270, 211, 211, 255, 255, 260, 260, 265, 265,
38
       260, 265, 270, 270, 205, 255, 255, 260, 260, 265, 265, 265, 265,
39
40
       270, 270]
       max_price_addon = 20 # maximum of random value added to get price
41
42
       def __init__(self):
43
           """paper buying agent"""
44
           self.time=0
45
           self.stock=20
46
           self.stock_history = [] # memory of the stock history
47
           self.price_history = [] # memory of the price history
48
49
       def initial_percepts(self):
50
           """return initial percepts"""
51
           self.stock_history.append(self.stock)
52
           price = self.prices[0]+random.randrange(self.max_price_addon)
53
           self.price_history.append(price)
54
           return {'price': price,
55
                   'instock': self.stock}
56
57
       def do(self, action):
58
           """does action (buy) and returns percepts (price and instock)"""
59
           used = pick_from_dist({6:0.1, 5:0.1, 4:0.2, 3:0.3, 2:0.2, 1:0.1})
60
           bought = action['buy']
61
           self.stock = self.stock+bought-used
62
           self.stock_history.append(self.stock)
63
           self.time += 1
64
           price = (self.prices[self.time%len(self.prices)] # repeating pattern
65
                   +random.randrange(self.max_price_addon) # plus randomness
66
67
                   +self.time//2)
                                                         # plus inflation
           self.price_history.append(price)
68
           return {'price': price,
69
                  'instock': self.stock}
70
```

The *pick_from_dist* method takes in a *item* : *probability* dictionary, and returns one of the items in proportion to its probability.

```
__agents.py — (continued)
   def pick_from_dist(item_prob_dist):
72
       """ returns a value from a distribution.
73
       item_prob_dist is an item:probability dictionary, where the
74
           probabilities sum to 1.
75
       returns an item chosen in proportion to its probability
76
77
       ranreal = random.random()
78
       for (it,prob) in item_prob_dist.items():
           if ranreal < prob:</pre>
80
```

2.2.2 The Agent

The agent does not have access to the price model but can only observe the current price and the amount in stock. It has to decide how much to buy.

The belief state of the agent is an estimate of the average price of the paper, and the total amount of money the agent has spent.

```
__agents.py — (continued) _
    class TP_agent(Agent):
86
        def __init__(self, env):
87
            self.env = env
88
            self.spent = 0
89
            percepts = env.initial_percepts()
90
            self.ave = self.last_price = percepts['price']
91
            self.instock = percepts['instock']
92
93
        def go(self, n):
94
            """go for n time steps
95
            for i in range(n):
97
                if self.last_price < 0.9*self.ave and self.instock < 60:</pre>
                    tobuy = 48
99
                elif self.instock < 12:</pre>
100
                    tobuy = 12
101
102
                else:
                    tobuy = 0
103
104
                self.spent += tobuy*self.last_price
                percepts = env.do({'buy': tobuy})
105
                self.last_price = percepts['price']
106
                self.ave = self.ave+(self.last_price-self.ave)*0.05
107
108
                self.instock = percepts['instock']
```

Set up an environment and an agent. Uncomment the last lines to run the agent for 90 steps, and determine the average amount spent.

25

2.2.3 Plotting

The following plots the price and number in stock history:

```
_agents.py — (continued)
    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
115
116
    class Plot_prices(object):
117
        """Set up the plot for history of price and number in stock"""
118
        def __init__(self, ag,env):
119
            self.ag = ag
120
            self.env = env
121
            plt.ion()
122
            plt.xlabel("Time")
123
            plt.ylabel("Number in stock.
124
                Price.")
125
        def plot_run(self):
126
            """plot history of price and instock"""
127
            num = len(env.stock_history)
128
            plt.plot(range(num),env.stock_history,label="In stock")
129
            plt.plot(range(num),env.price_history,label="Price")
130
            #plt.legend(loc="upper left")
131
132
            plt.draw()
133
    # pl = Plot_prices(ag,env)
134
   | # ag.go(90); pl.plot_run()
```

2.3 Hierarchical Controller

To run the hierarchical controller, in folder "aipython", load "agentTop.py", using e.g., ipython -i agentTop.py, and copy and paste the commands near the bottom of that file. This requires Python 3 with matplotlib.

In this implementation, each layer, including the top layer, implements the environment class, because each layer is seen as an environment from the layer above.

We arbitrarily divide the environment and the body, so that the environment just defines the walls, and the body includes everything to do with the agent. Note that the named locations are part of the (top-level of the) agent, not part of the environment, although they could have been.

2.3.1 Environment

The environment defines the walls.

2.3.2 Body

The body defines everything about the agent body.

```
____agentEnv.py — (continued) ____
   import math
21
   from agents import Environment
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
23
   import time
24
25
   class Rob_body(Environment):
26
       def __init__(self, env, init_pos=(0,0,90)):
27
           """ env is the current environment
28
           init_pos is a triple of (x-position, y-position, direction)
29
              direction is in degrees; 0 is to right, 90 is straight-up, etc
30
31
           self.env = env
32
           self.rob_x, self.rob_y, self.rob_dir = init_pos
33
           self.turning_angle = 18 # degrees that a left makes
34
           self.whisker_length = 6 # length of the whisker
35
           self.whisker_angle = 30 # angle of whisker relative to robot
36
           self.crashed = False
37
           # The following control how it is plotted
38
           self.plotting = True # whether the trace is being plotted
39
           self.sleep_time = 0.05 # time between actions (for real-time
40
               plotting)
           # The following are data structures maintained:
41
           self.history = [(self.rob_x, self.rob_y)] # history of (x,y)
42
               positions
           self.wall_history = [] # history of hitting the wall
43
44
       def percepts(self):
45
           return {'rob_x_pos':self.rob_x, 'rob_y_pos':self.rob_y,
46
                   'rob_dir':self.rob_dir, 'whisker':self.whisker() ,
47
                       'crashed':self.crashed}
       initial_percepts = percepts # use percept function for initial percepts
48
           too
49
       def do(self,action):
50
           """ action is {'steer':direction}
51
```

```
direction is 'left', 'right' or 'straight'
52
53
           if self.crashed:
54
               return self.percepts()
55
           direction = action['steer']
56
           compass_deriv =
57
               {'left':1, 'straight':0, 'right':-1}[direction]*self.turning_angle
           self.rob_dir = (self.rob_dir + compass_deriv +360)%360 # make in
58
               range [0,360)
           rob_x_new = self.rob_x + math.cos(self.rob_dir*math.pi/180)
59
           rob_y_new = self.rob_y + math.sin(self.rob_dir*math.pi/180)
60
           path = ((self.rob_x,self.rob_y),(rob_x_new,rob_y_new))
61
           if any(line_segments_intersect(path,wall) for wall in
62
               self.env.walls):
               self.crashed = True
63
               if self.plotting:
64
                  plt.plot([self.rob_x],[self.rob_y],"r*",markersize=20.0)
65
                  plt.draw()
66
           self.rob_x, self.rob_y = rob_x_new, rob_y_new
67
           self.history.append((self.rob_x, self.rob_y))
68
           if self.plotting and not self.crashed:
69
70
              plt.plot([self.rob_x],[self.rob_y],"go")
               plt.draw()
71
               plt.pause(self.sleep_time)
72
73
           return self.percepts()
```

This detects if the whisker and the wall intersect. It's value is returned as a percept.

```
_agentEnv.py — (continued) _
       def whisker(self):
75
           """returns true whenever the whisker sensor intersects with a wall
76
77
           whisk_ang_world = (self.rob_dir-self.whisker_angle)*math.pi/180
78
               # angle in radians in world coordinates
79
           wx = self.rob_x + self.whisker_length * math.cos(whisk_ang_world)
80
           wy = self.rob_y + self.whisker_length * math.sin(whisk_ang_world)
81
           whisker_line = ((self.rob_x,self.rob_y),(wx,wy))
82
           hit = any(line_segments_intersect(whisker_line,wall)
83
                      for wall in self.env.walls)
84
           if hit:
85
               self.wall_history.append((self.rob_x, self.rob_y))
               if self.plotting:
87
                  plt.plot([self.rob_x],[self.rob_y],"ro")
88
                  plt.draw()
89
90
           return hit
91
   def line_segments_intersect(linea,lineb):
92
       """returns true if the line segments, linea and lineb intersect.
93
       A line segment is represented as a pair of points.
94
       A point is represented as a (x,y) pair.
95
```

```
96
97
        ((x0a,y0a),(x1a,y1a)) = linea
        ((x0b,y0b),(x1b,y1b)) = lineb
98
        da, db = x1a-x0a, x1b-x0b
99
        ea, eb = y1a-y0a, y1b-y0b
100
        denom = db*ea-eb*da
101
102
        if denom==0: # line segments are parallel
103
           return False
        cb = (da*(y0b-y0a)-ea*(x0b-x0a))/denom # position along line b
104
        if cb<0 or cb>1:
105
           return False
106
        ca = (db*(y0b-y0a)-eb*(x0b-x0a))/denom # position along line a
107
        return 0<=ca<=1
108
109
    # Test cases:
110
   # assert line_segments_intersect(((0,0),(1,1)),((1,0),(0,1)))
111
    # assert not line_segments_intersect(((0,0),(1,1)),((1,0),(0.6,0.4)))
112
# assert line_segments_intersect(((0,0),(1,1)),((1,0),(0.4,0.6)))
```

2.3.3 Middle Layer

The middle layer acts like both a controller (for the environment layer) and an environment for the upper layer. It has to tell the environment how to steer. Thus it calls $env.do(\cdot)$. It also is told the position to go to and the timeout. Thus it also has to implement $do(\cdot)$.

```
_agentMiddle.py — Middle Layer _
   from agents import Environment
11
   import math
12
13
   class Rob_middle_layer(Environment):
14
       def __init__(self,env):
15
           self.env=env
16
           self.percepts = env.initial_percepts()
17
           self.straight_angle = 11 # angle that is close enough to straight
18
               ahead
           self.close_threshold = 2 # distance that is close enough to arrived
19
           self.close_threshold_squared = self.close_threshold**2 # just
20
               compute it once
21
       def initial_percepts(self):
22
23
           return {}
24
       def do(self, action):
25
           """action is {'go_to':target_pos,'timeout':timeout}
26
           target_pos is (x,y) pair
27
           timeout is the number of steps to try
28
           returns {'arrived':True} when arrived is true
29
                or {'arrived':False} if it reached the timeout
30
```

```
31
32
           if 'timeout' in action:
               remaining = action['timeout']
33
           else:
34
               remaining = -1 # will never reach 0
35
           target_pos = action['go_to']
36
37
           arrived = self.close_enough(target_pos)
           while not arrived and remaining != 0:
38
               self.percepts = self.env.do({"steer":self.steer(target_pos)})
39
               remaining -= 1
40
               arrived = self.close_enough(target_pos)
41
           return {'arrived':arrived}
42
```

This determines how to steer depending on whether the goal is to the right or the left of where the robot is facing.

```
___agentMiddle.py — (continued) _
       def steer(self,target_pos):
44
           if self.percepts['whisker']:
45
               self.display(3,'whisker on', self.percepts)
46
               return "left"
47
48
           else:
49
               gx,gy = target_pos
               rx,ry = self.percepts['rob_x_pos'],self.percepts['rob_y_pos']
50
               goal_dir = math.acos((gx-rx)/math.sqrt((gx-rx)*(gx-rx)
51
                                                     +(gy-ry)*(gy-ry)))*180/math.pi
52
53
               if ry>gy:
                   goal_dir = -goal_dir
               goal_from_rob = (goal_dir -
55
                   self.percepts['rob_dir']+540)%360-180
               assert -180 < goal_from_rob <= 180</pre>
56
               if goal_from_rob > self.straight_angle:
57
                   return "left"
58
59
               elif goal_from_rob < -self.straight_angle:</pre>
                   return "right"
60
               else:
61
                   return "straight"
62
63
       def close_enough(self,target_pos):
65
           gx,gy = target_pos
           rx,ry = self.percepts['rob_x_pos'],self.percepts['rob_y_pos']
66
           return (gx-rx)**2 + (gy-ry)**2 <= self.close_threshold_squared</pre>
67
```

2.3.4 Top Layer

The top layer treats the middle layer as its environment. Note that the top layer is an environment for us to tell it what to visit.

```
12
   from agents import Environment
13
   class Rob_top_layer(Environment):
14
       def __init__(self, middle, timeout=200, locations = {'mail':(-5,10),
15
                            'o103':(50,10), 'o109':(100,10), 'storage':(101,51)}
16
                                ):
           """middle is the middle layer
17
           timeout is the number of steps the middle layer goes before giving
18
           locations is a loc:pos dictionary
19
              where loc is a named location, and pos is an (x,y) position.
20
21
           self.middle = middle
22
           self.timeout = timeout # number of steps before the middle layer
23
               should give up
           self.locations = locations
24
25
       def do(self,plan):
26
           """carry out actions.
27
           actions is of the form {'visit':list_of_locations}
28
           It visits the locations in turn.
29
30
           to_do = plan['visit']
31
           for loc in to_do:
32
              position = self.locations[loc]
33
              arrived = self.middle.do({'go_to':position,
                   'timeout':self.timeout})
              self.display(1, "Arrived at", loc, arrived)
35
```

2.3.5 Plotting

The following is used to plot the locations, the walls and (eventually) the movement of the robot. It can either plot the movement if the robot as it is going (with the default env.plotting = True), or not plot it as it is going (setting env.plotting = False; in this case the trace can be plotted using $pl.plot_run()$).

```
\_agent\mathsf{Top.py} — (continued) \_
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
37
38
   class Plot_env(object):
39
        def __init__(self, body,top):
40
            """sets up the plot
41
42
            self.body = body
            plt.ion()
44
            plt.clf()
45
            plt.axes().set_aspect('equal')
46
            for wall in body.env.walls:
47
                ((x0,y0),(x1,y1)) = wall
48
```

```
plt.plot([x0,x1],[y0,y1],"-k",linewidth=3)
49
50
           for loc in top.locations:
               (x,y) = top.locations[loc]
51
               plt.plot([x],[y],"k<")</pre>
52
               plt.text(x+1.0,y+0.5,loc) # print the label above and to the
54
           plt.plot([body.rob_x],[body.rob_y],"go")
55
           plt.draw()
56
       def plot_run(self):
57
           """plots the history after the agent has finished.
58
           This is typically only used if body.plotting==False
59
60
           xs,ys = zip(*self.body.history)
61
           plt.plot(xs,ys,"go")
62
           wxs,wys = zip(*self.body.wall_history)
63
           plt.plot(wxs,wys,"ro")
64
           #plt.draw()
65
```

The following code plots the agent as it acts in the world:

```
___agentTop.py — (continued) _
67
   from agentEnv import Rob_body, Rob_env
68
   env = Rob_env(\{((20,0),(30,20)),((70,-5),(70,25))\})
   body = Rob_body(env)
70
   middle = Rob_middle_layer(body)
   top = Rob_top_layer(middle)
72
73
  # try:
74
75 | # pl=Plot_env(body,top)
76 | # top.do({'visit':['o109','storage','o109','o103']})
77 | # You can directly control the middle layer:
  # middle.do({'go_to':(30,-10), 'timeout':200})
  # Can you make it crash?
```

Exercise 2.1 The following code implements a robot trap. Write a controller that can escape the "trap" and get to the goal. See textbook for hints.

```
\_agentTop.py - (continued) \_
   # Robot Trap for which the current controller cannot escape:
81
   trap_env = Rob_env(\{((10,-21),(10,0)),((10,10),(10,31)),
82
       ((30,-10),(30,0)),
83
                      ((30,10),(30,20)),((50,-21),(50,31)),
                          ((10,-21),(50,-21)),
                      ((10,0),(30,0)),((10,10),(30,10)),((10,31),(50,31)))
   trap_body = Rob_body(trap_env,init_pos=(-1,0,90))
85
   trap_middle = Rob_middle_layer(trap_body)
   trap_top = Rob_top_layer(trap_middle,locations={'goal':(71,0)})
87
  | # Robot trap exercise:
```

```
90 | # pl=Plot_env(trap_body,trap_top)
91 | # trap_top.do({'visit':['goal']})
```

Searching for Solutions

3.1 Representing Search Problems

A search problem consists of:

- a start node
- a neighbors function that given a node, returns an enumeration of the arcs from the node
- a specification of a goal in terms of a Boolean function that takes a node and returns true if the node is a goal
- a (optional) heuristic function that, given a node, returns a non-negative real number. The heuristic function defaults to zero.

As far as the searcher is concerned a node can be anything. If multiple-path pruning is used, a node must be hashable. In the simple examples, it is a string, but in more complicated examples (in later chapters) it can be a tuple, a frozen set, or a Python object.

In the following code raise NotImplementedError() is a way to specify that this is an abstract method that needs to be overridden to define an actual search problem.

```
class Search_problem(object):
"""A search problem consists of:

* a start node

* a neighbors function that gives the neighbors of a node

* a specification of a goal

* a (optional) heuristic function.
```

```
The methods must be overridden to define a search problem."""
17
18
       def start_node(self):
19
           """returns start node"""
20
           raise NotImplementedError("start_node") # abstract method
21
22
23
       def is_goal(self, node):
           """is True if node is a goal"""
24
           raise NotImplementedError("is_goal") # abstract method
25
26
       def neighbors(self, node):
27
           """returns a list of the arcs for the neighbors of node"""
28
           raise NotImplementedError("neighbors") # abstract method
29
30
       def heuristic(self,n):
31
           """Gives the heuristic value of node n.
32
           Returns 0 if not overridden."""
33
           return 0
34
```

The neighbors is a list of arcs. A (directed) arc consists of a *from_node* node and a *to_node* node. The arc is the pair $\langle from_node, to_node \rangle$, but can also contain a non-negative *cost* (which defaults to 1) and can be labeled with an *action*.

```
_searchProblem.py — (continued)
   class Arc(object):
36
       """An arc has a from_node and a to_node node and a (non-negative)
37
           cost"""
       def __init__(self, from_node, to_node, cost=1, action=None):
38
39
           assert cost >= 0, ("Cost cannot be negative for"+
                             str(from_node)+"->"+str(to_node)+", cost:
40
                                  "+str(cost))
           self.from_node = from_node
41
           self.to_node = to_node
42
           self.action = action
43
           self.cost=cost
44
45
       def __repr__(self):
46
           """string representation of an arc"""
47
           if self.action:
48
               return str(self.from_node)+" --"+str(self.action)+"-->
                   "+str(self.to_node)
50
           else:
               return str(self.from_node)+" --> "+str(self.to_node)
51
```

3.1.1 Explicit Representation of Search Graph

The first representation of a search problem is from an explicit graph (as opposed to one that is generated as needed).

An **explicit graph** consists of

- a list or set of nodes
- a list or set of arcs
- a start node
- a list or set of goal nodes
- (optionally) a dictionary that maps a node to a heuristic value for that node

To define a search problem, we need to define the start node, the goal predicate, the neighbors function and the heuristic function.

```
___searchProblem.py — (continued) _
   class Search_problem_from_explicit_graph(Search_problem):
53
       """A search problem consists of:
54
       * a list or set of nodes
55
       * a list or set of arcs
56
57
       * a start node
       * a list or set of goal nodes
58
       * a dictionary that maps each node into its heuristic value.
       \star a dictionary that maps each node into its (x,y) position
60
61
62
       def __init__(self, nodes, arcs, start=None, goals=set(), hmap={},
63
           positions={}):
           self.neighs = {}
64
           self.nodes = nodes
65
           for node in nodes:
66
               self.neighs[node]=[]
67
           self.arcs = arcs
68
           for arc in arcs:
69
               self.neighs[arc.from_node].append(arc)
70
           self.start = start
71
           self.goals = goals
72
           self.hmap = hmap
73
           self.positions = positions
74
75
       def start_node(self):
76
           """returns start node"""
77
           return self.start
78
79
       def is_goal(self,node):
80
           """is True if node is a goal"""
81
           return node in self.goals
83
       def neighbors(self, node):
           """returns the neighbors of node"""
85
           return self.neighs[node]
86
87
```

```
def heuristic(self, node):
88
89
            """Gives the heuristic value of node n.
            Returns 0 if not overridden in the hmap."""
90
            if node in self.hmap:
91
                return self.hmap[node]
92
            else:
93
                return 0
95
        def __repr__(self):
            """returns a string representation of the search problem"""
97
98
            for arc in self.arcs:
99
                res += str(arc)+". "
100
            return res
101
```

The following is used for the depth-first search implementation below.

```
def neighbor_nodes(self,node):

"""returns an iterator over the neighbors of node"""

return (path.to_node for path in self.neighs[node])
```

3.1.2 Paths

A searcher will return a path from the start node to a goal node. A Python list is not a suitable representation for a path, as many search algorithms consider multiple paths at once, and these paths should share initial parts of the path. If we wanted to do this with Python lists, we would need to keep copying the list, which can be expensive if the list is long. An alternative representation is used here in terms of a recursive data structure that can share subparts.

A path is either:

- a node (representing a path of length 0) or
- a path, *initial* and an arc, where the *from_node* of the arc is the node at the end of *initial*.

These cases are distinguished in the following code by having *arc* = *None* if the path has length 0, in which case *initial* is the node of the path. Python yield is used for enumerations only

```
class Path(object):

"""A path is either a node or a path followed by an arc"""

def __init__(self,initial,arc=None):

"""initial is either a node (in which case arc is None) or

a path (in which case arc is an object of type Arc)"""

self.initial = initial
```

```
self.arc=arc
114
115
            if arc is None:
                self.cost=0
116
            else:
117
                self.cost = initial.cost+arc.cost
118
119
120
        def end(self):
            """returns the node at the end of the path"""
121
            if self.arc is None:
122
                return self.initial
123
            else:
124
                return self.arc.to_node
125
126
        def nodes(self):
127
            """enumerates the nodes for the path.
128
            This starts at the end and enumerates nodes in the path
129
                backwards."""
            current = self
130
            while current.arc is not None:
131
                yield current.arc.to_node
132
                current = current.initial
133
            yield current.initial
134
135
        def initial_nodes(self):
136
            """enumerates the nodes for the path before the end node.
137
            This starts at the end and enumerates nodes in the path
138
                backwards."""
139
            if self.arc is not None:
                yield from self.initial.nodes()
140
141
        def __repr__(self):
142
            """returns a string representation of a path"""
143
            if self.arc is None:
144
                return str(self.initial)
145
            elif self.arc.action:
146
                return (str(self.initial)+"\n --"+str(self.arc.action)
147
                       +"--> "+str(self.arc.to_node))
148
            else:
149
                return str(self.initial)+" --> "+str(self.arc.to_node)
150
```

3.1.3 Example Search Problems

The first search problem is one with 5 nodes where the least-cost path is one with many arcs. See Figure 3.1. Note that this example is used for the unit tests, so the test (in searchGeneric) will need to be changed if this is changed.

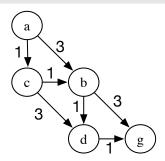


Figure 3.1: problem1

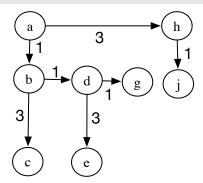


Figure 3.2: problem2

The second search problem is one with 8 nodes where many paths do not lead to the goal. See Figure 3.2.

```
_searchProblem.py — (continued) _
    problem2 = Search_problem_from_explicit_graph(
159
        {'a','b','c','d','e','g','h','j'},
160
        [Arc('a','b',1), Arc('b','c',3), Arc('b','d',1), Arc('d','e',3),
161
            Arc('d', 'g', 1), Arc('a', 'h', 3), Arc('h', 'j', 1)],
162
        start = 'a',
163
164
        goals = \{'g'\},
        positions={'a': (0, 0), 'b': (0, 1), 'c': (0,4), 'd': (1,1), 'e': (1,4),
165
                       'g': (2,1), 'h': (3,0), 'j': (3,1)})
166
```

The third search problem is a disconnected graph (contains no arcs), where the start node is a goal node. This is a boundary case to make sure that weird cases work.

The acyclic_delivery_problem is the delivery problem described in Example 3.4 and shown in Figure 3.2 of the textbook.

```
_searchProblem.py — (continued) .
    acyclic_delivery_problem = Search_problem_from_explicit_graph(
174
        {'mail', 'ts', 'o103', 'o109', 'o111', 'b1', 'b2', 'b3', 'b4', 'c1', 'c2', 'c3',
175
176
          'o125','o123','o119','r123','storage'},
          [Arc('ts', 'mail', 6),
177
             Arc('o103','ts',8),
178
             Arc('o103','b3',4),
179
             Arc('o103','o109',12),
180
             Arc('o109','o119',16),
181
             Arc('o109','o111',4),
182
             Arc('b1','c2',3),
183
             Arc('b1', 'b2', 6),
184
             Arc('b2','b4',3),
185
             Arc('b3','b1',4),
186
187
             Arc('b3','b4',7),
             Arc('b4','o109',7),
188
             Arc('c1','c3',8),
189
             Arc('c2','c3',6),
190
             Arc('c2','c1',4),
191
             Arc('o123','o125',4),
192
             Arc('o123','r123',4),
193
             Arc('o119','o123',9),
194
             Arc('o119','storage',7)],
195
         start = 'o103',
196
        goals = \{'r123'\},\
197
        hmap = {
198
             'mail' : 26,
199
             'ts' : 23,
200
             'o103' : 21,
201
             'o109' : 24,
202
             'o111' : 27,
203
             'o119' : 11,
204
             'o123' : 4,
205
             'o125' : 6,
206
             'r123' : 0,
207
             'b1' : 13,
208
             'b2' : 15,
209
             'b3' : 17,
210
             'b4' : 18,
211
             'c1' : 6,
212
             'c2' : 10,
213
```

The cyclic_delivery_problem is the delivery problem described in Example 3.8 and shown in Figure 3.6 of the textbook. This is the same as acyclic_delivery_problem, but almost every arc also has its inverse.

```
\_searchProblem.py — (continued) \_
    cyclic_delivery_problem = Search_problem_from_explicit_graph(
219
        {'mail','ts','o103','o109','o111','b1','b2','b3','b4','c1','c2','c3',
220
          'o125', 'o123', 'o119', 'r123', 'storage'},
221
222
         [ Arc('ts', 'mail', 6), Arc('mail', 'ts', 6),
            Arc('o103','ts',8), Arc('ts','o103',8),
223
            Arc('o103','b3',4),
224
            Arc('o103','o109',12), Arc('o109','o103',12),
225
            Arc('o109','o119',16), Arc('o119','o109',16),
226
            Arc('o109','o111',4), Arc('o111','o109',4),
227
            Arc('b1','c2',3),
228
            Arc('b1','b2',6), Arc('b2','b1',6),
229
            Arc('b2','b4',3), Arc('b4','b2',3),
230
            Arc('b3','b1',4), Arc('b1','b3',4),
231
            Arc('b3','b4',7), Arc('b4','b3',7),
232
233
            Arc('b4','o109',7),
            Arc('c1','c3',8), Arc('c3','c1',8),
234
            Arc('c2','c3',6), Arc('c3','c2',6),
235
            Arc('c2','c1',4), Arc('c1','c2',4),
236
            Arc('o123','o125',4), Arc('o125','o123',4),
237
            Arc('o123', 'r123', 4), Arc('r123', 'o123', 4),
238
            Arc('o119','o123',9), Arc('o123','o119',9),
239
            Arc('o119','storage',7), Arc('storage','o119',7)],
240
        start = 'o103',
241
        goals = \{'r123'\},
242
        hmap = {
243
            'mail' : 26,
244
            'ts' : 23,
245
            'o103' : 21,
246
            'o109' : 24,
247
            'o111' : 27,
248
            'o119' : 11,
249
            'o123' : 4,
250
            'o125' : 6,
251
            'r123' : 0,
252
            'b1' : 13,
253
            'b2' : 15,
254
            'b3' : 17,
255
            'b4' : 18,
256
            'c1' : 6,
257
            'c2' : 10,
258
            'c3' : 12,
259
```

```
260 'storage': 12
261 }
262 )
```

3.2 Generic Searcher and Variants

To run the search demos, in folder "aipython", load "searchGeneric.py", using e.g., ipython -i searchGeneric.py, and copy and paste the example queries at the bottom of that file. This requires Python 3.

3.2.1 Searcher

A *Searcher* for a problem can be asked repeatedly for the next path. To solve a problem, we can construct a *Searcher* object for the problem and then repeatedly ask for the next path using *search*. If there are no more paths, *None* is returned.

```
_searchGeneric.py — Generic Searcher, including depth-first and A* \_
   from display import Displayable, visualize
11
12
13
   class Searcher(Displayable):
       """returns a searcher for a problem.
14
       Paths can be found by repeatedly calling search().
15
       This does depth-first search unless overridden
16
17
       def __init__(self, problem):
18
           """creates a searcher from a problem
20
           self.problem = problem
21
           self.initialize_frontier()
22
           self.num\_expanded = 0
23
           self.add_to_frontier(Path(problem.start_node()))
24
           super().__init__()
25
26
       def initialize_frontier(self):
27
           self.frontier = []
28
29
       def empty_frontier(self):
30
           return self.frontier == []
31
32
       def add_to_frontier(self,path):
33
           self.frontier.append(path)
34
35
       @visualize
36
       def search(self):
37
           """returns (next) path from the problem's start node
38
           to a goal node.
39
```

```
Returns None if no path exists.
40
41
           while not self.empty_frontier():
42
              path = self.frontier.pop()
43
              self.display(2, "Expanding:",path,"(cost:",path.cost,")")
44
              self.num\_expanded += 1
45
              if self.problem.is_goal(path.end()): # solution found
46
                  self.display(1, self.num_expanded, "paths have been expanded
47
                              len(self.frontier), "paths remain in the
48
                                  frontier")
                  self.solution = path # store the solution found
49
                  return path
50
              else:
51
                  neighs = self.problem.neighbors(path.end())
52
                  self.display(3,"Neighbors are", neighs)
53
                  for arc in reversed(list(neighs)):
54
                      self.add_to_frontier(Path(path,arc))
55
                  self.display(3, "Frontier:", self.frontier)
56
           self.display(1,"No (more) solutions. Total of",
57
                       self.num_expanded,"paths expanded.")
58
```

Note that this reverses the neigbours so that it implements depth-first search in an intutive manner (expanding the first neighbor first), and *list* is needed if the neighboure are generated. Reversing the neighbours might not be required for other methods. The calls to *reversed* and *list* can be removed, and the algothihm still implements depth-fist search.

Exercise 3.1 When it returns a path, the algorithm can be used to find another path by calling search() again. However, it does not find other paths that go through one goal node to another. Explain why, and change the code so that it can find such paths when search() is called again.

3.2.2 Frontier as a Priority Queue

In many of the search algorithms, such as A^* and other best-first searchers, the frontier is implemented as a priority queue. Here we use the Python's built-in priority queue implementations, heapq.

Following the lead of the Python documentation, http://docs.python.org/3.3/library/heapq.html, a frontier is a list of triples. The first element of each triple is the value to be minimized. The second element is a unique index which specifies the order when the first elements are the same, and the third element is the path that is on the queue. The use of the unique index ensures that the priority queue implementation does not compare paths; whether one path is less than another is not defined. It also lets us control what sort of search (e.g., depth-first or breadth-first) occurs when the value to be minimized does not give a unique next path.

The variable *frontier_index* is the total number of elements of the frontier that have been created. As well as being used as a unique index, it is useful for statistics, particularly in conjunction with the current size of the frontier.

```
___searchGeneric.py — (continued) _
   import heapq
                      # part of the Python standard library
60
   from searchProblem import Path
61
62
   class FrontierPQ(object):
63
       """A frontier consists of a priority queue (heap), frontierpq, of
64
65
           (value, index, path) triples, where
       * value is the value we want to minimize (e.g., path cost + h).
66
       * index is a unique index for each element
       * path is the path on the queue
68
       Note that the priority queue always returns the smallest element.
69
70
71
       def __init__(self):
72
           """constructs the frontier, initially an empty priority queue
73
74
           self.frontier_index = 0 # the number of items ever added to the
75
               frontier
           self.frontierpq = [] # the frontier priority queue
76
77
78
       def empty(self):
           """is True if the priority queue is empty"""
79
           return self.frontierpq == []
80
81
       def add(self, path, value):
82
           """add a path to the priority queue
83
           value is the value to be minimized"""
84
           self.frontier_index += 1 # get a new unique index
85
           heapq.heappush(self.frontierpq,(value, -self.frontier_index, path))
86
87
       def pop(self):
88
           """returns and removes the path of the frontier with minimum value.
89
90
           (_,_,path) = heapq.heappop(self.frontierpq)
91
           return path
92
```

The following methods are used for finding and printing information about the frontier.

```
def count(self,val):
"""returns the number of elements of the frontier with value=val"""
return sum(1 for e in self.frontierpq if e[0]==val)

def __repr__(self):
"""string representation of the frontier"""
return str([(n,c,str(p)) for (n,c,p) in self.frontierpq])
```

```
101
102
        def __len__(self):
            """length of the frontier"""
103
            return len(self.frontierpq)
104
105
        def __iter__(self):
106
            """iterate through the paths in the frontier"""
107
            for (_,_,path) in self.frontierpq:
108
109
                yield path
```

3.2.3 A^* Search

For an A^* **Search** the frontier is implemented using the FrontierPQ class.

```
_searchGeneric.py — (continued) _
    class AStarSearcher(Searcher):
111
        """returns a searcher for a problem.
112
        Paths can be found by repeatedly calling search().
113
114
115
        def __init__(self, problem):
116
            super().__init__(problem)
117
118
        def initialize_frontier(self):
119
            self.frontier = FrontierPQ()
120
121
        def empty_frontier(self):
122
123
            return self.frontier.empty()
124
        def add_to_frontier(self,path):
125
            """add path to the frontier with the appropriate cost"""
126
            value = path.cost+self.problem.heuristic(path.end())
127
            self.frontier.add(path, value)
128
```

Code should always be tested. The following provides a simple **unit test**, using problem1 as the default problem.

```
_searchGeneric.py — (continued)
    import searchProblem as searchProblem
130
131
    def test(SearchClass, problem=searchProblem.problem1,
132
        solutions=[['g','d','b','c','a']] ):
        """Unit test for aipython searching algorithms.
133
        SearchClass is a class that takes a problemm and implements search()
134
135
        problem is a search problem
        solutions is a list of optimal solutions
136
137
        print("Testing problem 1:")
138
        schr1 = SearchClass(problem)
139
        path1 = schr1.search()
140
```

```
print("Path found:",path1)
141
142
        assert path1 is not None, "No path is found in problem1"
       assert list(path1.nodes()) in solutions, "Shortest path not found in
143
       print("Passed unit test")
144
145
146
    if __name__ == "__main__":
       #test(Searcher)
147
        test(AStarSearcher)
148
149
    # example queries:
150
    # searcher1 = Searcher(searchProblem.acyclic_delivery_problem) # DFS
151
   |# searcher1.search() # find first path
152
   # searcher1.search() # find next path
153
   # searcher2 = AStarSearcher(searchProblem.acyclic_delivery_problem) # A*
154
   | # searcher2.search() # find first path
155
   # searcher2.search() # find next path
156
    # searcher3 = Searcher(searchProblem.cyclic_delivery_problem) # DFS
157
    # searcher3.search() # find first path with DFS. What do you expect to
158
   # searcher4 = AStarSearcher(searchProblem.cyclic_delivery_problem) # A*
159
   | # searcher4.search() # find first path
```

Exercise 3.2 Change the code so that it implements (i) best-first search and (ii) lowest-cost-first search. For each of these methods compare it to A^* in terms of the number of paths expanded, and the path found.

Exercise 3.3 In the *add* method in *FrontierPQ* what does the "-" in front of *frontier_index* do? When there are multiple paths with the same *f*-value, which search method does this act like? What happens if the "-" is removed? When there are multiple paths with the same value, which search method does this act like? Does it work better with or without the "-"? What evidence did you base your conclusion on?

Exercise 3.4 The searcher acts like a Python iterator, in that it returns one value (here a path) and then returns other values (paths) on demand, but does not implement the iterator interface. Change the code so it implements the iterator interface. What does this enable us to do?

3.2.4 Multiple Path Pruning

To run the multiple-path pruning demo, in folder "aipython", load "searchMPP.py", using e.g., ipython -i searchMPP.py, and copy and paste the example queries at the bottom of that file.

The following implements A^* with multiple-path pruning. It overrides search() in Searcher.

```
13
14
   class SearcherMPP(AStarSearcher):
       """returns a searcher for a problem.
15
       Paths can be found by repeatedly calling search().
16
17
       def __init__(self, problem):
18
19
           super().__init__(problem)
           self.explored = set()
20
21
       @visualize
22
       def search(self):
23
           """returns next path from an element of problem's start nodes
24
           to a goal node.
25
           Returns None if no path exists.
26
27
           while not self.empty_frontier():
28
              path = self.frontier.pop()
29
               if path.end() not in self.explored:
30
                   self.display(2, "Expanding:",path,"(cost:",path.cost,")")
31
                  self.explored.add(path.end())
32
                  self.num_expanded += 1
33
                  if self.problem.is_goal(path.end()):
34
                      self.display(1, self.num_expanded, "paths have been
35
                           expanded and",
                              len(self.frontier), "paths remain in the
36
                                  frontier")
                      self.solution = path # store the solution found
37
38
                      return path
                  else:
39
                      neighs = self.problem.neighbors(path.end())
40
                      self.display(3,"Neighbors are", neighs)
41
                      for arc in neighs:
42
                          self.add_to_frontier(Path(path,arc))
43
                      self.display(3,"Frontier:",self.frontier)
44
           self.display(1, "No (more) solutions. Total of",
45
                       self.num_expanded, "paths expanded.")
46
47
   from searchGeneric import test
48
49
   if __name__ == "__main__":
       test(SearcherMPP)
50
51
   import searchProblem
52
   # searcherMPPcdp = SearcherMPP(searchProblem.cyclic_delivery_problem)
  |# print(searcherMPPcdp.search()) # find first path
```

Exercise 3.5 Implement a searcher that implements cycle pruning instead of multiple-path pruning. You need to decide whether to check for cycles when paths are added to the frontier or when they are removed. (Hint: either method can be implemented by only changing one or two lines in SearcherMPP. Hint: there is a cyle if path.end() in path.initial_nodes()) Compare no pruning, multiple path

pruning and cycle pruning for the cyclic delivery problem. Which works better in terms of number of paths expanded, computational time or space?

3.3 Branch-and-bound Search

```
To run the demo, in folder "aipython", load "searchBranchAndBound.py", and copy and paste the example queries at the bottom of that file.
```

Depth-first search methods do not need an a priority queue, but can use a list as a stack. In this implementation of branch-and-bound search, we call *search* to find an optimal solution with cost less than bound. This uses depth-first search to find a path to a goal that extends *path* with cost less than the bound. Once a path to a goal has been found, that path is remembered as the *best_path*, the bound is reduced, and the search continues.

```
_searchBranchAndBound.py — Branch and Bound Search
11
   from searchProblem import Path
   from searchGeneric import Searcher
12
   from display import Displayable, visualize
13
14
   class DF_branch_and_bound(Searcher):
15
       """returns a branch and bound searcher for a problem.
16
       An optimal path with cost less than bound can be found by calling
17
           search()
18
       def __init__(self, problem, bound=float("inf")):
19
           """creates a searcher than can be used with search() to find an
20
               optimal path.
           bound gives the initial bound. By default this is infinite -
21
               meaning there
           is no initial pruning due to depth bound
22
23
           super().__init__(problem)
24
           self.best_path = None
25
           self.bound = bound
26
27
       @visualize
28
29
       def search(self):
           """returns an optimal solution to a problem with cost less than
30
           returns None if there is no solution with cost less than bound."""
31
           self.frontier = [Path(self.problem.start_node())]
32
           self.num\_expanded = 0
33
           while self.frontier:
34
               path = self.frontier.pop()
               if path.cost+self.problem.heuristic(path.end()) < self.bound:</pre>
36
                   # if path.end() not in path.initial_nodes(): # for cycle
37
                       pruning
```

```
self.display(3, "Expanding:",path, "cost:",path.cost)
38
39
                  self.num_expanded += 1
                  if self.problem.is_goal(path.end()):
40
                      self.best_path = path
41
                      self.bound = path.cost
42
                      self.display(2,"New best path:",path," cost:",path.cost)
43
                  else:
                      neighs = self.problem.neighbors(path.end())
45
                      self.display(3,"Neighbors are", neighs)
                      for arc in reversed(list(neighs)):
47
                          self.add_to_frontier(Path(path, arc))
           self.display(1,"Number of paths expanded:",self.num_expanded,
49
                           "(optimal" if self.best_path else "(no", "solution
50
                               found)")
           self.solution = self.best_path
51
           return self.best_path
52
```

Note that this code used *reversed* in order to expand the neighbors of a node in the left-to-right order one might expect. It does this because *pop()* removes the rightmost element of the list. The call to *list* is there because reversed only works on lists and tuples, but the neighbours can be generated.

Here is a unit test and some queries:

```
_searchBranchAndBound.py — (continued)
   from searchGeneric import test
54
   if __name__ == "__main__":
55
       test(DF_branch_and_bound)
56
57
   # Example queries:
58
59
   import searchProblem
   # searcherb1 = DF_branch_and_bound(searchProblem.acyclic_delivery_problem)
                                     # find optimal path
   # print(searcherb1.search())
61
   # searcherb2 = DF_branch_and_bound(searchProblem.cyclic_delivery_problem,
       bound=100)
  # print(searcherb2.search())
                                     # find optimal path
```

Exercise 3.6 Implement a branch-and-bound search uses recursion. Hint: you don't need an explicit frontier, but can do a recursive call for the children.

Exercise 3.7 After the branch-and-bound search found a solution, Sam ran search again, and noticed a different count. Sam hypothesized that this count was related to the number of nodes that an A* search would use (either expand or be added to the frontier). Or maybe, Sam thought, the count for a number of nodes when the bound is slightly above the optimal path case is related to how A* would work. Is there relationship between these counts? Are there different things that it could count so they are related? Try to find the most specific statement that is true, and explain why it is true.

To test the hypothesis, Sam wrote the following code, but isn't sure it is helpful:

```
from searchGeneric import Searcher, AStarSearcher
11
   from searchBranchAndBound import DF_branch_and_bound
   from searchMPP import SearcherMPP
13
14
   DF_branch_and_bound.max_display_level = 1
   Searcher.max_display_level = 1
16
17
   def run(problem,name):
18
       print("\n\n******",name)
19
20
       print("\nA*:")
21
       asearcher = AStarSearcher(problem)
22
       print("Path found:",asearcher.search()," cost=",asearcher.solution.cost)
23
       print("there are", asearcher.frontier.count(asearcher.solution.cost),
24
            "elements remaining on the queue with
25
                f-value=",asearcher.solution.cost)
26
       print("\nA* with MPP:"),
27
       msearcher = SearcherMPP(problem)
28
       print("Path found:",msearcher.search()," cost=",msearcher.solution.cost)
29
       print("there are", msearcher.frontier.count(msearcher.solution.cost),
30
            "elements remaining on the queue with
                f-value=",msearcher.solution.cost)
32
       bound = asearcher.solution.cost+0.01
33
       print("\nBranch and bound (with too-good initial bound of", bound,")")
       tbb = DF_branch_and_bound(problem,bound) # cheating!!!!
35
       print("Path found:",tbb.search()," cost=",tbb.solution.cost)
36
       print("Rerunning B&B")
37
       print("Path found:",tbb.search())
38
39
       bbound = asearcher.solution.cost*2+10
40
       print("\nBranch and bound (with not-very-good initial bound of",
41
       tbb2 = DF_branch_and_bound(problem,bbound) # cheating!!!!
42
       print("Path found:",tbb2.search()," cost=",tbb2.solution.cost)
43
       print("Rerunning B&B")
       print("Path found:",tbb2.search())
45
       print("\nDepth-first search: (Use ^C if it goes on forever)")
47
       tsearcher = Searcher(problem)
48
       print("Path found:",tsearcher.search()," cost=",tsearcher.solution.cost)
49
50
51
   import searchProblem
   from searchTest import run
53
   54
       run(searchProblem.problem1,"Problem 1")
55
       run(searchProblem.acyclic_delivery_problem, "Acyclic Delivery")
56
       run(searchProblem.cyclic_delivery_problem,"Cyclic Delivery")
```

 58 \mid # also test some graphs with cycles, and some with multiple least-cost paths

Reasoning with Constraints

4.1 Constraint Satisfaction Problems

4.1.1 Variables

A **variable** consists of a name, a domain and an optional (x,y) position (for displaying). The domain of a variable is a list or a tuple, as the ordering will matter in the representation of constraints.

```
_cspProblem.py — Representations of a Constraint Satisfaction Problem \_
   import random
11
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
13
   class Variable(object):
14
       """A random variable.
15
       name (string) - name of the variable
16
       domain (list) - a list of the values for the variable.
17
       Variables are ordered according to their name.
18
19
20
       def __init__(self, name, domain, position=None):
21
           """Variable
22
           name a string
23
           domain a list of printable values
24
25
           position of form (x,y)
26
27
           self.name = name # string
           self.domain = domain # list of values
28
           self.position = position if position else (random.random(),
                random.random())
           self.size = len(domain)
30
31
```

```
def __str__(self):
    return self.name

def __repr__(self):
    return self.name # f"Variable({self.name})"
```

4.1.2 Constraints

A **constraint** consists of:

- A tuple (or list) of variables is called the **scope**.
- A condition is a Boolean function that takes the same number of arguments as there are variables in the scope. The condition must have a __name__ property that gives a printable name of the function; built-in functions and functions that are defined using *def* have such a property; for other functions you may need to define this property.
- An optional name
- An optional (x, y) position

```
_cspProblem.py — (continued)
   class Constraint(object):
38
       """A Constraint consists of
39
40
       * scope: a tuple of variables
       * condition: a Boolean function that can applied to a tuple of values
41
           for variables in scope
       * string: a string for printing the constraints. All of the strings
42
           must be unique.
       for the variables
43
44
       def __init__(self, scope, condition, string=None, position=None):
45
           self.scope = scope
46
           self.condition = condition
47
48
           if string is None:
               self.string = self.condition.__name__ + str(self.scope)
49
50
           else:
               self.string = string
51
           self.position = position
52
53
54
       def __repr__(self):
           return self.string
55
```

An **assignment** is a *variable:value* dictionary.

If con is a constraint, con.holds(assignment) returns True or False depending on whether the condition is true or false for that assignment. The assignment assignment must assigns a value to every variable in the scope of the constraint con (and could also assign values other variables); con.holds gives an error if

not all variables in the scope of *con* are assigned in the assignment. It ignores variables in *assignment* that are not in the scope of the constraint.

In Python, the * notation is used for unpacking a tuple. For example, F(*(1,2,3)) is the same as F(1,2,3). So if t has value (1,2,3), then F(*t) is the same as F(1,2,3).

```
____cspProblem.py — (continued) _
       def can_evaluate(self, assignment):
57
58
           assignment is a variable:value dictionary
59
           returns True if the constraint can be evaluated given assignment
60
61
           return all(v in assignment for v in self.scope)
62
63
       def holds(self,assignment):
64
           """returns the value of Constraint con evaluated in assignment.
65
66
           precondition: all variables are assigned in assignment, ie
67
               self.can_evaluate(assignment) is true
68
69
           return self.condition(*tuple(assignment[v] for v in self.scope))
```

4.1.3 CSPs

A constraint satisfaction problem (CSP) requires:

- variables: a list or set of variables
- constraints: a set or list of constraints.

Other properties are inferred from these:

- variables is the set of variables.
- *var_to_const* is a mapping from variables to set of constraints, such that *var_to_const*[*var*] is the set of constraints with *var* in the scope.

```
\_cspProblem.py — (continued)
   class CSP(object):
71
       """A CSP consists of
72
       * a title (a string)
73
       * variables, a set of variables
74
       * constraints, a list of constraints
75
       * var_to_const, a variable to set of constraints dictionary
76
77
       def __init__(self, title, variables, constraints):
           """title is a string
79
           variables is set of variables
80
           constraints is a list of constraints
```

```
82
83
           self.title = title
           self.variables = variables
           self.constraints = constraints
85
           self.var_to_const = {var:set() for var in self.variables}
           for con in constraints:
87
               for var in con.scope:
                  self.var_to_const[var].add(con)
89
90
       def __str__(self):
91
           """string representation of CSP"""
           return str(self.title)
93
94
       def __repr__(self):
95
           """more detailed string representation of CSP"""
96
           return f"CSP({self.title}, {self.variables}, {([str(c) for c in
97
               self.constraints])})"
```

csp.consistent(*assignment*) returns true if the assignment is consistent with each of the constraints in *csp* (i.e., all of the constraints that can be evaluated evaluate to true). Note that this is a local consistency with each constraint; it does *not* imply the CSP is consistent or has a solution.

```
_cspProblem.py — (continued)
        def consistent(self,assignment):
99
            """assignment is a variable:value dictionary
100
            returns True if all of the constraints that can be evaluated
101
                           evaluate to True given assignment.
102
103
            return all(con.holds(assignment)
104
                        for con in self.constraints
105
                        if con.can_evaluate(assignment))
106
```

The **show** method uses matplotlib to show the graphical structure of a constraint network.

```
_cspProblem.py — (continued)
108
        def show(self):
            plt.ion() # interactive
109
            ax = plt.figure().gca()
110
111
            ax.set_axis_off()
            plt.title(self.title)
112
            var_bbox = dict(boxstyle="round4,pad=1.0,rounding_size=0.5")
113
            con_bbox = dict(boxstyle="square,pad=1.0",color="green")
114
            for var in self.variables:
115
116
                if var.position is None:
                   var.position = (random.random(), random.random())
117
            for con in self.constraints:
118
                if con.position is None:
119
                   con.position = tuple(sum(var.position[i] for var in
120
                        con.scope)/len(con.scope)
```

```
121
                                           for i in range(2))
122
                bbox = dict(boxstyle="square,pad=1.0",color="green")
                for var in con.scope:
123
                   ax.annotate(con.string, var.position, xytext=con.position,
124
                                       arrowprops={'arrowstyle':'-'},bbox=con_bbox,
125
                                      ha='center')
126
127
            for var in self.variables:
               x,y = var.position
128
                plt.text(x,y,var.name,bbox=var_bbox,ha='center')
129
```

4.1.4 Examples

In the following code ne_- , when given a number, returns a function that is true when its argument is not that number. For example, if $f = ne_-(3)$, then f(2) is True and f(3) is False. That is, $ne_-(x)(y)$ is true when $x \neq y$. Allowing a function of multiple arguments to use its arguments one at a time is called **currying**, after the logician Haskell Curry. Functions used as conditions in constraints require names (so they can be printed).

```
__cspExamples.py — Example CSPs
   from cspProblem import Variable, CSP, Constraint
11
   from operator import lt,ne,eq,gt
12
13
   def ne_(val):
14
       """not equal value"""
15
       # nev = lambda x: x != val # alternative definition
16
       # nev = partial(neq,val) # another alternative definition
17
18
       def nev(x):
           return val != x
19
       nev.__name__ = str(val)+"!="
                                      # name of the function
20
       return nev
21
```

Similarly $is_{-}(x)(y)$ is true when x = y.

```
_cspExamples.py — (continued)
   def is_(val):
23
       """is a value"""
24
       # isv = lambda x: x == val # alternative definition
25
26
       # isv = partial(eq,val) # another alternative definition
       def isv(x):
27
28
           return val == x
       isv.__name__ = str(val)+"=="
29
       return isv
```

The CSP, csp0 has variables X, Y and Z, each with domain $\{1,2,3\}$. The constraints are X < Y and Y < Z.

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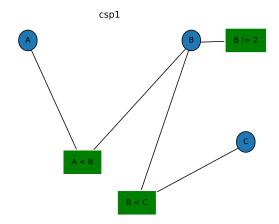


Figure 4.1: csp1.show()

```
34 | Z = Variable('Z', {1,2,3})

35 | csp0 = CSP("csp0", {X,Y,Z},

36 | [ Constraint([X,Y],lt),

37 | Constraint([Y,Z],lt)])
```

The CSP, csp1 has variables A, B and C, each with domain $\{1,2,3,4\}$. The constraints are A < B, $B \ne 2$ and B < C. This is slightly more interesting than csp0 as it has more solutions. This example is used in the unit tests, and so if it is changed, the unit tests need to be changed.

The next CSP, *csp*2 is Example 4.9 of the textbook; the domain consistent network (after applying the unary constraints) is shown in Figure ??. Note that we use the same variables as the previous example and add two more.

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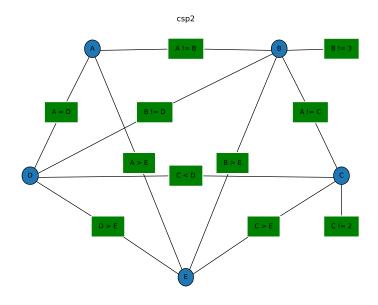


Figure 4.2: csp2.show()

```
Constraint([A,B], ne, "A != B"),
53
               Constraint([B,C], ne, "A != C"),
54
               Constraint([C,D], lt, "C < D"),
55
               Constraint([A,D], eq, "A = D"),
56
               Constraint([A,E], gt, "A > E"),
57
               Constraint([B,E], gt, "B > E"),
58
               Constraint([C,E], gt, "C > E"),
59
               Constraint([D,E], gt, "D > E"),
60
61
               Constraint([B,D], ne, "B != D")])
```

The following example is another scheduling problem (but with multiple answers). This is the same a scheduling 2 in the original Alspace.org consistency app.

```
_cspExamples.py — (continued) .
   csp3 = CSP("csp3", {A,B,C,D,E},
              [Constraint([A,B], ne, "A != B"),
64
               Constraint([A,D], lt, "A < D"),
65
               Constraint([A,E], lambda a,e: (a-e)\%2 == 1, "A-E is odd"), #
66
                   A-E is odd
               Constraint([B,E], lt, "B < E"),
67
               Constraint([D,C], lt, "D < C"),
68
               Constraint([C,E], ne, "C != E"),
69
               Constraint([D,E], ne, "D != E")])
70
```

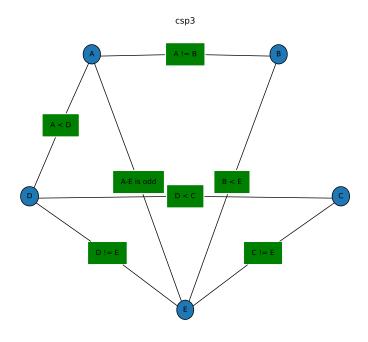


Figure 4.3: csp3.show()

The following example is another abstract scheduling problem. What are the solutions?

```
\_cspExamples.py — (continued)
72
   def adjacent(x,y):
      """True when x and y are adjacent numbers"""
73
      return abs(x-y) == 1
74
75
   csp4 = CSP("csp4", {A,B,C,D,E},
76
              [Constraint([A,B], adjacent, "adjacent(A,B)"),
77
               Constraint([B,C], adjacent, "adjacent(B,C)"),
78
               Constraint([C,D], adjacent, "adjacent(C,D)"),
79
               Constraint([D,E], adjacent, "adjacent(D,E)"),
80
               Constraint([A,C], ne, "A != C"),
81
               Constraint([B,D], ne, "B != D"),
82
83
               Constraint([C,E], ne, "C != E")])
```

The following examples represent the crossword shown in Figure 4.5.

In the first representation, the variables represent words. The constraint imposed by the crossword is that where two words intersect, the letter at the intersection must be the same. The method meet_at is used to test whether two words intersect with the same letter. For example, the constraint meet_at(2,0)

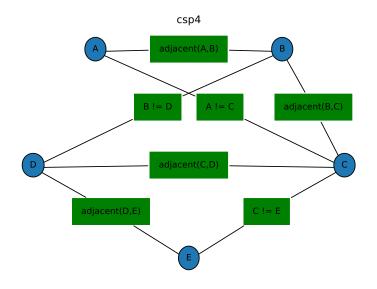
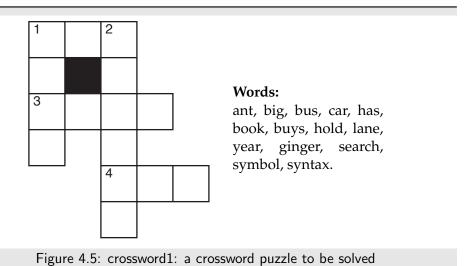


Figure 4.4: csp4.show()



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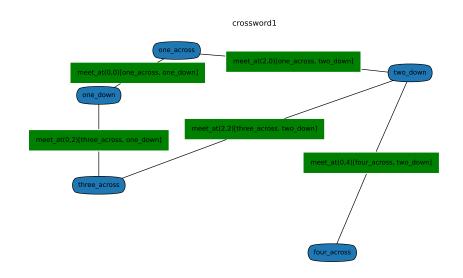


Figure 4.6: crossword1.show()

means that the third letter (at position 2) of the first argument is the same as the first letter of the second argument. This is shown in Figure 4.6.

```
\_cspExamples.py - (continued) \_
   def meet_at(p1,p2):
85
       """returns a function of two words that is true
86
                   when the words intersect at postions p1, p2.
       The positions are relative to the words; starting at position 0.
88
       meet_at(p1,p2)(w1,w2) is true if the same letter is at position p1 of
89
           word w1
           and at position p2 of word w2.
90
91
       def meets(w1,w2):
92
           return w1[p1] == w2[p2]
93
       meets.__name__ = "meet_at("+str(p1)+', '+str(p2)+')'
94
       return meets
95
96
   one_across = Variable('one_across', {'ant', 'big', 'bus', 'car', 'has'},
97
       position=(0.3, 0.9))
   one_down = Variable('one_down', {'book', 'buys', 'hold', 'lane', 'year'},
98
       position=(0.1,0.7))
   two_down = Variable('two_down', {'ginger', 'search', 'symbol', 'syntax'},
99
       position=(0.9,0.8))
   three_across = Variable('three_across', {'book', 'buys', 'hold', 'land',
       'year'}, position=(0.1,0.3))
   four_across = Variable('four_across',{'ant', 'big', 'bus', 'car', 'has'},
       position=(0.7,0.0)
```

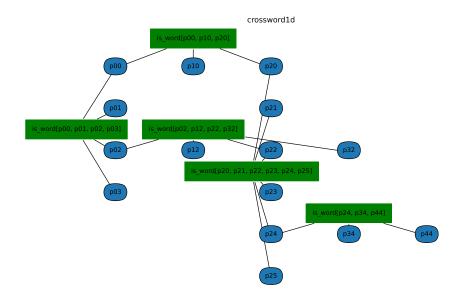


Figure 4.7: crossword1d.show()

In an alternative representation of a crossword (the "dual" representation), the variables represent letters, and the constraints are that adjacent sequences of letters form words. This is shown in Figure 4.7.

```
\_\_cspExamples.py — (continued) \_
    words = {'ant', 'big', 'bus', 'car', 'has', 'book', 'buys', 'hold',
110
             'lane', 'year', 'ginger', 'search', 'symbol', 'syntax'}
111
112
    def is_word(*letters, words=words):
113
        """is true if the letters concatenated form a word in words"""
114
        return "".join(letters) in words
115
116
    letters = {"a", "b", "c", "d", "e", "f", "g", "h", "i", "j", "k", "l",
117
      "m", "n", "o", "p", "q", "r", "s", "t", "u", "v", "w", "x", "y",
118
```

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```
"z"}
119
120
    # pij is the variable representing the letter i from the left and j down
121
        (starting from 0)
    p00 = Variable('p00', letters, position=(0.1,0.85))
122
    p10 = Variable('p10', letters, position=(0.3,0.85))
123
    p20 = Variable('p20', letters, position=(0.5,0.85))
124
    p01 = Variable('p01', letters, position=(0.1,0.7))
125
    p21 = Variable('p21', letters, position=(0.5,0.7))
    p02 = Variable('p02', letters, position=(0.1,0.55))
127
    p12 = Variable('p12', letters, position=(0.3,0.55))
128
    p22 = Variable('p22', letters, position=(0.5,0.55))
129
    p32 = Variable('p32', letters, position=(0.7, 0.55))
130
    p03 = Variable('p03', letters, position=(0.1,0.4))
131
    p23 = Variable('p23', letters, position=(0.5,0.4))
132
    p24 = Variable('p24', letters, position=(0.5,0.25))
133
    p34 = Variable('p34', letters, position=(0.7,0.25))
134
    p44 = Variable('p44', letters, position=(0.9,0.25))
135
    p25 = Variable('p25', letters, position=(0.5,0.1))
136
137
    crossword1d = CSP("crossword1d",
138
139
                     {p00, p10, p20, # first row
                      p01, p21, # second row
140
                      p02, p12, p22, p32, # third row
141
                      p03, p23, #fourth row
142
                      p24, p34, p44, # fifth row
143
                      p25 # sixth row
144
145
                      },
                     [Constraint([p00, p10, p20], is_word,
146
                         position=(0.3,0.95)), #1-across
                      Constraint([p00, p01, p02, p03], is_word,
147
                          position=(0,0.625)), # 1-down
                      Constraint([p02, p12, p22, p32], is_word,
148
                          position=(0.3,0.625)), # 3-across
                      Constraint([p20, p21, p22, p23, p24, p25], is_word,
149
                          position=(0.45, 0.475)), # 2-down
                      Constraint([p24, p34, p44], is_word,
150
                          position=(0.7, 0.325)) # 4-across
151
                      ])
```

Exercise 4.1 How many assignments of a value to each variable are there for each of the representations of the above crossword? Do you think an exhaustive enumeration will work for either one?

The queens problem is a puzzle on a chess board, where the idea is to place a queen on each column so the queens cannot take each other: there are no two queens on the same row, column or diagonal. The **n-queens problem** is a generalization where the size of the board is an $n \times n$, and n queens have to be placed.

Here is a representation of the n-queens problem, where the variables are the columns and the values are the rows in which the queen is placed. The original queens problem on a standard (8×8) chess board is n_queens(8)

```
_cspExamples.py — (continued)
153
    def queens(ri,rj):
        """ri and rj are different rows, return the condition that the queens
154
            cannot take each other"""
        def no_take(ci,cj):
155
            """is true if queen at (ri,ci) cannot take a queen at (rj,cj)"""
156
            return ci != cj and abs(ri-ci) != abs(rj-cj)
157
158
        return no_take
159
    def n_queens(n):
160
        """returns a CSP for n-queens"""
161
        columns = list(range(n))
162
        variables = [Variable(f"R{i}",columns) for i in range(n)]
163
        return CSP("n-queens",
164
                  variables,
165
                    [Constraint([variables[i], variables[j]], queens(i,j))
166
                        for i in range(n) for j in range(n) if i != j])
167
168
    # try the CSP n_queens(8) in one of the solvers.
   # What is the smallest n for which there is a solution?
```

Exercise 4.2 How many constraints does this representation of the n-queens problem produce? Can it be done with fewer constraints? Either explain why it can't be done with fewer constraints, or give a solution using fewer constraints.

Unit tests

The following defines a **unit test** for csp solvers, by default using example csp1.

```
_cspExamples.py — (continued)
    def test_csp(CSP_solver, csp=csp1,
172
173
                 solutions=[{A: 1, B: 3, C: 4}, {A: 2, B: 3, C: 4}]):
174
        """CSP_solver is a solver that takes a csp and returns a solution
        csp is a constraint satisfaction problem
175
        solutions is the list of all solutions to csp
176
        This tests whether the solution returned by CSP_solver is a solution.
177
178
        print("Testing csp with",CSP_solver.__doc__)
179
        sol0 = CSP_solver(csp)
180
        print("Solution found:",sol0)
181
        assert sol0 in solutions, "Solution not correct for "+str(csp)
182
183
        print("Passed unit test")
```

Exercise 4.3 Modify *test* so that instead of taking in a list of solutions, it checks whether the returned solution actually is a solution.

Exercise 4.4 Propose a test that is appropriate for CSPs with no solutions. Assume that the test designer knows there are no solutions. Consider what a CSP solver should return if there are no solutions to the CSP.

Exercise 4.5 Write a unit test that checks whether all solutions (e.g., for the search algorithms that can return multiple solutions) are correct, and whether all solutions can be found.

4.2 A Simple Depth-first Solver

The first solver searches through the space of partial assignments. This takes in a CSP problem and an optional variable ordering, which is a list of the variables in the CSP. It returns a generator of the solutions (see Python documentation on yield for enumerations).

```
_cspDFS.py — Solving a CSP using depth-first search.
   from cspExamples import csp1,csp2,test_csp, crossword1, crossword1d
11
   def dfs_solver(constraints, context, var_order):
13
       """generator for all solutions to csp.
14
       context is an assignment of values to some of the variables.
15
       var_order is a list of the variables in csp that are not in context.
16
17
       to_eval = {c for c in constraints if c.can_evaluate(context)}
18
       if all(c.holds(context) for c in to_eval):
19
           if var_order == []:
20
              yield context
21
           else:
22
              rem_cons = [c for c in constraints if c not in to_eval]
23
              var = var_order[0]
              for val in var.domain:
25
                  yield from dfs_solver(rem_cons, context|{var:val},
26
                      var_order[1:])
27
   def dfs_solve_all(csp, var_order=None):
28
       """depth-first CSP solver to return a list of all solutions to csp.
29
30
       if var_order == None: # use an arbitrary variable order
31
           var_order = list(csp.variables)
32
       return list( dfs_solver(csp.constraints, {}, var_order))
33
   def dfs_solve1(csp, var_order=None):
35
       """depth-first CSP solver to find single solution or None if there are
36
           no solutions.
37
       if var_order == None: # use an arbitrary variable order
38
          var_order = list(csp.variables)
       gen = dfs_solver(csp.constraints, {}, var_order)
40
               # Python generators raise an exception if there are no more
41
           elements.
```

```
42
           return next(gen)
43
       except StopIteration:
           return None
44
45
   if __name__ == "__main__":
46
       test_csp(dfs_solve1)
47
48
   #Try:
49
   # dfs_solve_all(csp1)
  # dfs_solve_all(csp2)
51
  | # dfs_solve_all(crossword1)
  |# dfs_solve_all(crossword1d) # warning: may take a *very* long time!
```

Exercise 4.6 Instead of testing all constraints at every node, change it so each constraint is only tested when all of it variables are assigned. Given an elimination ordering, it is possible to determine when each constraint needs to be tested. Implement this. Hint: create a parallel list of sets of constraints, where at each position i in the list, the constraints at position i can be evaluated when the variable at position i has been assigned.

Exercise 4.7 Estimate how long dfs_solve_all(crossword1d) will take on your computer. To do this, reduce the number of variables that need to be assigned, so that the simplifies problem can be solved in a reasonable time (between 0.1 second and 10 seconds). This can be done by reducing the number of variables in var_order, as the program only splits on these. How much more time will it take if the number of variables is increased by 1? (Try it!) Then extrapolate to all of the variables. See Section 1.6.1 for how to time your code. Would making the code 100 times faster or using a computer 100 times faster help?

4.3 Converting CSPs to Search Problems

To run the demo, in folder "aipython", load "cspSearch.py", and copy and paste the example queries at the bottom of that file.

The next solver constructs a search space that can be solved using the search methods of the previous chapter. This takes in a CSP problem and an optional variable ordering, which is a list of the variables in the CSP. In this search space:

- A node is a *variable*: *value* dictionary which does not violate any constraints (so that dictionaries that violate any conmtratints are not added).
- An arc corresponds to an assignment of a value to the next variable. This
 assumes a static ordering; the next variable chosen to split does not depend on the context. If no variable ordering is given, this makes no attempt to choose a good ordering.

```
_cspSearch.py — Representations of a Search Problem from a CSP. _
   from cspProblem import CSP, Constraint
   from searchProblem import Arc, Search_problem
13
   from utilities import dict_union
14
15
   class Search_from_CSP(Search_problem):
       """A search problem directly from the CSP.
16
17
       A node is a variable:value dictionary"""
18
19
       def __init__(self, csp, variable_order=None):
20
           self.csp=csp
           if variable_order:
21
               assert set(variable_order) == set(csp.variables)
22
               assert len(variable_order) == len(csp.variables)
23
               self.variables = variable_order
24
           else:
25
               self.variables = list(csp.variables)
26
27
       def is_goal(self, node):
28
           """returns whether the current node is a goal for the search
29
30
           return len(node) == len(self.csp.variables)
31
32
       def start_node(self):
33
           """returns the start node for the search
34
35
           return {}
36
```

The *neighbors*(*node*) method uses the fact that the length of the node, which is the number of variables already assigned, is the index of the next variable to split on. Note that we do no need to check whether there are no more variables to split on, as the nodes are all consistent, by construction, and so when there are no more variables we have a solution, and so don't need the neighbours.

```
_cspSearch.py — (continued)
38
       def neighbors(self, node):
           """returns a list of the neighboring nodes of node.
39
40
           var = self.variables[len(node)] # the next variable
41
           res = []
42
43
           for val in var.domain:
               new_env = dict_union(node,{var:val}) #dictionary union
44
               if self.csp.consistent(new_env):
                   res.append(Arc(node, new_env))
46
47
           return res
```

The unit tests relies on a solver. The following procedure creates a solver using search that can be tested.

```
from searchGeneric import Searcher
50
51
   def solver_from_searcher(csp):
52
       """depth-first search solver"""
53
       path = Searcher(Search_from_CSP(csp)).search()
54
       if path is not None:
55
56
           return path.end()
57
       else:
           return None
58
59
   if __name__ == "__main__":
60
       test_csp(solver_from_searcher)
61
62
   ## Test Solving CSPs with Search:
63
   searcher1 = Searcher(Search_from_CSP(csp1))
64
   #print(searcher1.search()) # get next solution
   searcher2 = Searcher(Search_from_CSP(csp2))
66
   #print(searcher2.search()) # get next solution
67
   searcher3 = Searcher(Search_from_CSP(crossword1))
68
69 | #print(searcher3.search()) # get next solution
70 | searcher4 = Searcher(Search_from_CSP(crossword1d))
71 | #print(searcher4.search()) # get next solution (warning: slow)
```

Exercise 4.8 What would happen if we constructed the new assignment by assigning node[var] = val (with side effects) instead of using dictionary union? Give an example of where this could give a wrong answer. How could the algorithm be changed to work with side effects? (Hint: think about what information needs to be in a node).

Exercise 4.9 Change neighbors so that it returns an iterator of values rather than a list. (Hint: use *yield*.)

4.4 Consistency Algorithms

To run the demo, in folder "aipython", load "cspConsistency.py", and copy and paste the commented-out example queries at the bottom of that file.

A Con_solver is used to simplify a CSP using arc consistency.

```
* kwargs is the keyword arguments for Displayable superclass
"""
self.csp = csp
super().__init__(**kwargs) # Or Displayable.__init__(self,**kwargs)
```

The following implementation of arc consistency maintains the set *to_do* of (variable, constraint) pairs that are to be checked. It takes in a domain dictionary and returns a new domain dictionary. It needs to be careful to avoid side effects (by copying the *domains* dictionary and the *to_do* set).

```
_cspConsistency.py — (continued) _
       def make_arc_consistent(self, orig_domains=None, to_do=None):
24
           """Makes this CSP arc-consistent using generalized arc consistency
25
26
           orig_domains is the original domains
           to_do is a set of (variable, constraint) pairs
27
           returns the reduced domains (an arc-consistent variable:domain
28
               dictionary)
29
30
           if orig_domains is None:
              orig_domains = {var:var.domain for var in self.csp.variables}
31
           if to_do is None:
32
              to_do = {(var, const) for const in self.csp.constraints
33
                       for var in const.scope}
34
           else:
35
              to_do = to_do.copy() # use a copy of to_do
36
           domains = orig_domains.copy()
37
           self.display(2,"Performing AC with domains", domains)
           while to_do:
39
              var, const = self.select_arc(to_do)
               self.display(3, "Processing arc (", var, ",", const, ")")
41
              other_vars = [ov for ov in const.scope if ov != var]
              new_domain = {val for val in domains[var]
43
                              if self.any_holds(domains, const, {var: val},
44
                                  other_vars)}
               if new_domain != domains[var]:
45
                  self.display(4, "Arc: (", var, ",", const, ") is
46
                       inconsistent")
                  self.display(3, "Domain pruned", "dom(", var, ") =",
47
                      new_domain,
                                   " due to ", const)
48
49
                  domains[var] = new_domain
                  add_to_do = self.new_to_do(var, const) - to_do
50
                  to_do |= add_to_do
                                        # set union
51
                  self.display(3, " adding", add_to_do if add_to_do else
52
                       "nothing", "to to_do.")
               self.display(4, "Arc: (", var, ",", const, ") now consistent")
53
           self.display(2, "AC done. Reduced domains", domains)
54
           return domains
56
       def new_to_do(self, var, const):
57
           """returns new elements to be added to to_do after assigning
58
```

```
variable var in constraint const.
variable var in constraint const.
variable var in constraint const.
variable var in const.
variable var in const.
variable var in self.csp.var_to_const[var]
variable var in const.
variable var in constraint const.
variable variabl
```

The following selects an arc. Any element of *to_do* can be selected. The selected element needs to be removed from *to_do*. The default implementation just selects which ever element *pop* method for sets returns. A user interface could allow the user to select an arc. Alternatively a more sophisticated selection could be employed (or just a stack or a queue).

```
def select_arc(self, to_do):
"""Selects the arc to be taken from to_do .

* to_do is a set of arcs, where an arc is a (variable,constraint)
pair
the element selected must be removed from to_do.

"""
return to_do.pop()
```

The value of new_domain is the subset of the domain of var that is consistent with the assignment to the other variables. It might be easier to understand the following code, which treats unary (with no other variables in the constraint) and binary (with one other variables in the constraint) constraints as special cases (this can replace the assignment to new_domain in the above code):

any_holds is a recursive function that tries to finds an assignment of values to the other variables (other_vars) that satisfies constraint const given the assignment in env. The integer variable ind specifies which index to other_vars needs to be checked next. As soon as one assignment returns True, the algorithm returns True. Note that it has side effects with respect to env; it changes the values of the variables in other_vars. It should only be called when the side effects have no ill effects.

```
def any_holds(self, domains, const, env, other_vars, ind=0):
73
74
           """returns True if Constraint const holds for an assignment
           that extends env with the variables in other_vars[ind:]
75
           env is a dictionary
76
           Warning: this has side effects and changes the elements of env
77
78
           if ind == len(other_vars):
               return const.holds(env)
80
           else:
              var = other_vars[ind]
               for val in domains[var]:
                  # env = dict_union(env,{var:val}) # no side effects!
84
                  env[var] = val
85
                  if self.any_holds(domains, const, env, other_vars, ind + 1):
86
                      return True
87
              return False
88
```

4.4.1 Direct Implementation of Domain Splitting

The following is a direct implementation of domain splitting with arc consistency that uses recursion. It finds one solution if one exists or returns False if there are no solutions.

```
_cspConsistency.py — (continued)
        def solve_one(self, domains=None, to_do=None):
90
            """return a solution to the current CSP or False if there are no
91
                solutions
            to_do is the list of arcs to check
92
93
            new_domains = self.make_arc_consistent(domains, to_do)
            if any(len(new_domains[var]) == 0 for var in new_domains):
95
               return False
           elif all(len(new_domains[var]) == 1 for var in new_domains):
97
               self.display(2, "solution:", {var: select(
98
                   new_domains[var]) for var in new_domains})
99
               return {var: select(new_domains[var]) for var in new_domains}
100
101
           else:
               var = self.select_var(x for x in self.csp.variables if
102
                   len(new\_domains[x]) > 1)
103
                   dom1, dom2 = partition_domain(new_domains[var])
104
                   self.display(3, "...splitting", var, "into", dom1, "and",
105
                   new_doms1 = copy_with_assign(new_domains, var, dom1)
106
107
                   new_doms2 = copy_with_assign(new_domains, var, dom2)
                   to_do = self.new_to_do(var, None)
108
                   self.display(3, "adding", to_do if to_do else "nothing",
109
                        "to to_do.")
                   return self.solve_one(new_doms1, to_do) or
110
                       self.solve_one(new_doms2, to_do)
```

```
111
112
        def select_var(self, iter_vars):
            """return the next variable to split"""
113
            return select(iter_vars)
114
115
    def partition_domain(dom):
116
        """partitions domain dom into two.
117
118
        split = len(dom) // 2
119
        dom1 = set(list(dom)[:split])
120
        dom2 = dom - dom1
121
        return dom1, dom2
122
```

The domains are implemented as a dictionary that maps each variables to its domain. Assigning a value in Python has side effects which we want to avoid. *copy_with_assign* takes a copy of the domains dictionary, perhaps allowing for a new domain for a variable. It creates a copy of the CSP with an (optional) assignment of a new domain to a variable. Only the domains are copied.

```
_cspConsistency.py — (continued)
    def copy_with_assign(domains, var=None, new_domain={True, False}):
124
        """create a copy of the domains with an assignment var=new_domain
125
        if var==None then it is just a copy.
126
127
128
        newdoms = domains.copy()
        if var is not None:
129
            newdoms[var] = new_domain
130
        return newdoms
131
```

```
.cspConsistency.py — (continued)
    def select(iterable):
133
        """select an element of iterable. Returns None if there is no such
134
            element.
135
        This implementation just picks the first element.
136
        For many of the uses, which element is selected does not affect
137
            correctness,
        but may affect efficiency.
138
139
        for e in iterable:
140
            return e # returns first element found
141
```

Exercise 4.10 Implement of *solve_all* that is like *solve_one* but returns the set of all solutions.

Exercise 4.11 Implement *solve_enum* that enumerates the solutions. It should use Python's *yield* (and perhaps *yield from*).

Unit test:

```
from cspExamples import test_csp

def ac_solver(csp):
    "arc consistency (solve_one)"
    return Con_solver(csp).solve_one()

if __name__ == "__main__":
    test_csp(ac_solver)
```

4.4.2 Domain Splitting as an interface to graph searching

An alternative implementation is to implement domain splitting in terms of the search abstraction of Chapter 3.

A node is domains dictionary.

```
_cspConsistency.py — (continued)
151
    from searchProblem import Arc, Search_problem
152
    class Search_with_AC_from_CSP(Search_problem, Displayable):
153
        """A search problem with arc consistency and domain splitting
154
155
        A node is a CSP """
156
157
        def __init__(self, csp):
            self.cons = Con_solver(csp) #copy of the CSP
158
            self.domains = self.cons.make_arc_consistent()
160
        def is_goal(self, node):
161
            """node is a goal if all domains have 1 element"""
162
            return all(len(node[var])==1 for var in node)
163
164
        def start_node(self):
165
            return self.domains
166
167
        def neighbors(self, node):
168
            """returns the neighboring nodes of node.
169
170
171
            neighs = []
            var = select(x for x in node if len(node[x])>1)
172
173
                dom1, dom2 = partition_domain(node[var])
174
                self.display(2, "Splitting", var, "into", dom1, "and", dom2)
175
                to_do = self.cons.new_to_do(var,None)
176
                for dom in [dom1,dom2]:
177
178
                   newdoms = copy_with_assign(node,var,dom)
                   cons_doms = self.cons.make_arc_consistent(newdoms,to_do)
179
                    if all(len(cons_doms[v])>0 for v in cons_doms):
180
                       # all domains are non-empty
181
                       neighs.append(Arc(node,cons_doms))
182
                   else:
183
```

```
self.display(2,"...",var,"in",dom,"has no solution")
return neighs
```

Exercise 4.12 When splitting a domain, this code splits the domain into half, approximately in half (without any effort to make a sensible choice). Does it work better to split one element from a domain?

Unit test:

```
_cspConsistency.py — (continued)
187
    from cspExamples import test_csp
188
    from searchGeneric import Searcher
189
    def ac_search_solver(csp):
190
        """arc consistency (search interface)"""
191
        sol = Searcher(Search_with_AC_from_CSP(csp)).search()
192
        if sol:
193
            return {v:select(d) for (v,d) in sol.end().items()}
194
195
    if __name__ == "__main__":
196
        test_csp(ac_search_solver)
197
        Testing:
                                 _cspConsistency.py — (continued) _
    from cspExamples import csp1, csp2, csp3, csp4, crossword1, crossword1d
199
200
    ## Test Solving CSPs with Arc consistency and domain splitting:
201
    #Con_solver.max_display_level = 4 # display details of AC (0 turns off)
202
    #Con_solver(csp1).solve_one()
203
    #searcher1d = Searcher(Search_with_AC_from_CSP(csp1))
204
    #print(searcher1d.search())
205
    #Searcher.max_display_level = 2 # display search trace (0 turns off)
206
    #searcher2c = Searcher(Search_with_AC_from_CSP(csp2))
207
    #print(searcher2c.search())
    #searcher3c = Searcher(Search_with_AC_from_CSP(crossword1))
209
    #print(searcher3c.search())
    #searcher4c = Searcher(Search_with_AC_from_CSP(crossword1d))
```

4.5 Solving CSPs using Stochastic Local Search

To run the demo, in folder "aipython", load "cspSLS.py", and copy and paste the commented-out example queries at the bottom of that file. This assumes Python 3. Some of the queries require matplotlib.

This implements both the two-stage choice, the any-conflict algorithm and a random choice of variable (and a probabilistic mix of the three).

#print(searcher4c.search())

Given a CSP, the stochastic local searcher (*SLSearcher*) creates the data structures:

- variables_to_select is the set of all of the variables with domain-size greater than one. For a variable not in this set, we cannot pick another value from that variable.
- *var_to_constraints* maps from a variable into the set of constraints it is involved in. Note that the inverse mapping from constraints into variables is part of the definition of a constraint.

```
_cspSLS.py — Stochastic Local Search for Solving CSPs .
   from cspProblem import CSP, Constraint
   from searchProblem import Arc, Search_problem
   from display import Displayable
   import random
14
   import heapq
15
16
   class SLSearcher(Displayable):
17
       """A search problem directly from the CSP...
18
19
       A node is a variable:value dictionary"""
20
       def __init__(self, csp):
21
           self.csp = csp
22
           self.variables_to_select = {var for var in self.csp.variables
23
                                      if len(var.domain) > 1}
24
           # Create assignment and conflicts set
25
           self.current_assignment = None # this will trigger a random restart
26
           self.number_of_steps = 0 #number of steps after the initialization
27
```

restart creates a new total assignment, and constructs the set of conflicts (the constraints that are false in this assignment).

```
_cspSLS.py — (continued) _
29
       def restart(self):
           """creates a new total assignment and the conflict set
30
31
           self.current_assignment = {var:random_choice(var.domain) for
32
                                     var in self.csp.variables}
33
           self.display(2,"Initial assignment",self.current_assignment)
34
           self.conflicts = set()
35
           for con in self.csp.constraints:
36
               if not con.holds(self.current_assignment):
37
                   self.conflicts.add(con)
38
           self.display(2,"Number of conflicts",len(self.conflicts))
39
           self.variable_pq = None
40
```

The *search* method is the top-level searching algorithm. It can either be used to start the search or to continue searching. If there is no current assignment,

it must create one. Note that, when counting steps, a restart is counted as one step.

This method selects one of two implementations. The argument *pob_best* is the probability of selecting a best variable (one involving the most conflicts). When the value of *prob_best* is positive, the algorithm needs to maintain a priority queue of variables and the number of conflicts (using *search_with_var_pq*). If the probability of selecting a best variable is zero, it does not need to maintain this priority queue (as implemented in *search_with_any_conflict*).

The argument $prob_anycon$ is the probability that the any-conflict strategy is used (which selects a variable at random that is in a conflict), assuming that it is not picking a best variable. Note that for the probability parameters, any value less that zero acts like probability zero and any value greater than 1 acts like probability 1. This means that when $prob_anycon = 1.0$, a best variable is chosen with probability $prob_best$, otherwise a variable in any conflict is chosen. A variable is chosen at random with probability $1 - prob_anycon - prob_best$ as long as that is positive.

This returns the number of steps needed to find a solution, or *None* if no solution is found. If there is a solution, it is in *self.current_assignment*.

```
__cspSLS.py — (continued) __
       def search(self,max_steps, prob_best=0, prob_anycon=1.0):
42
43
           returns the number of steps or None if these is no solution.
44
45
           If there is a solution, it can be found in self.current_assignment
46
           max_steps is the maximum number of steps it will try before giving
47
               up
           prob_best is the probability that a best variable (one in most
48
               conflict) is selected
           prob_anycon is the probability that a variable in any conflict is
49
               selected
           (otherwise a variable is chosen at random)
50
51
52
           if self.current_assignment is None:
              self.restart()
53
               self.number_of_steps += 1
54
              if not self.conflicts:
55
                  self.display(1, "Solution found:", self.current_assignment,
56
                       "after restart")
57
                  return self.number_of_steps
           if prob_best > 0: # we need to maintain a variable priority queue
              return self.search_with_var_pq(max_steps, prob_best,
59
                   prob_anycon)
           else:
60
61
               return self.search_with_any_conflict(max_steps, prob_anycon)
```

Exercise 4.13 This does an initial random assignment but does not do any random restarts. Implement a searcher that takes in the maximum number of walk

steps (corresponding to existing *max_steps*) and the maximum number of restarts, and returns the total number of steps for the first solution found. (As in *search*, the solution found can be extracted from the variable *self.current_assignment*).

4.5.1 Any-conflict

If the probability of picking a best variable is zero, the implementation need to keeps track of which variables are in conflicts.

```
_cspSLS.py — (continued)
       def search_with_any_conflict(self, max_steps, prob_anycon=1.0):
63
           """Searches with the any_conflict heuristic.
64
           This relies on just maintaining the set of conflicts;
65
           it does not maintain a priority queue
66
67
           self.variable_pq = None # we are not maintaining the priority queue.
                                    # This ensures it is regenerated if
69
                                       we call search_with_var_pq.
70
           for i in range(max_steps):
71
               self.number_of_steps +=1
72
73
               if random.random() < prob_anycon:</pre>
74
                  con = random_choice(self.conflicts) # pick random conflict
                  var = random_choice(con.scope) # pick variable in conflict
75
               else:
76
                  var = random_choice(self.variables_to_select)
77
               if len(var.domain) > 1:
78
                  val = random_choice([val for val in var.domain
79
                                      if val is not
80
                                          self.current_assignment[var]])
                  self.display(2,self.number_of_steps,":
81
                       Assigning", var, "=", val)
82
                  self.current_assignment[var]=val
                  for varcon in self.csp.var_to_const[var]:
83
                      if varcon.holds(self.current_assignment):
84
                          if varcon in self.conflicts:
                              self.conflicts.remove(varcon)
86
87
                      else:
                          if varcon not in self.conflicts:
88
                              self.conflicts.add(varcon)
89
                  self.display(2,"
                                      Number of conflicts",len(self.conflicts))
90
               if not self.conflicts:
91
                  self.display(1, "Solution found:", self.current_assignment,
92
                                   "in", self.number_of_steps, "steps")
93
                  return self.number_of_steps
94
           self.display(1,"No solution in", self.number_of_steps,"steps",
95
                      len(self.conflicts), "conflicts remain")
           return None
97
```

Exercise 4.14 This makes no attempt to find the best alternative value for a variable. Modify the code so that after selecting a variable it selects a value the reduces

the number of conflicts by the most. Have a parameter that specifies the probability that the best value is chosen.

4.5.2 Two-Stage Choice

This is the top-level searching algorithm that maintains a priority queue of variables ordered by (the negative of) the number of conflicts, so that the variable with the most conflicts is selected first. If there is no current priority queue of variables, one is created.

The main complexity here is to maintain the priority queue. This uses the dictionary *var_differential* which specifies how much the values of variables should change. This is used with the updatable queue (page 79) to find a variable with the most conflicts.

```
_cspSLS.py — (continued) _
        def search_with_var_pq(self,max_steps, prob_best=1.0, prob_anycon=1.0):
99
            """search with a priority queue of variables.
100
            This is used to select a variable with the most conflicts.
101
102
            if not self.variable_pq:
103
                self.create_pq()
104
            pick_best_or_con = prob_best + prob_anycon
105
            for i in range(max_steps):
106
                self.number_of_steps +=1
107
                randnum = random.random()
108
                ## Pick a variable
109
                if randnum < prob_best: # pick best variable</pre>
110
                    var,oldval = self.variable_pq.top()
111
                elif randnum < pick_best_or_con: # pick a variable in a conflict</pre>
112
                    con = random_choice(self.conflicts)
113
                    var = random_choice(con.scope)
114
                else: #pick any variable that can be selected
115
                    var = random_choice(self.variables_to_select)
116
                if len(var.domain) > 1: # var has other values
117
                    ## Pick a value
118
                    val = random_choice([val for val in var.domain if val is not
119
                                       self.current_assignment[var]])
120
                    self.display(2,"Assigning",var,val)
121
                    ## Update the priority queue
122
                    var_differential = {}
123
                    self.current_assignment[var]=val
124
                    for varcon in self.csp.var_to_const[var]:
125
                       self.display(3, "Checking", varcon)
126
127
                       if varcon.holds(self.current_assignment):
                           if varcon in self.conflicts: #was incons, now consis
128
                               self.display(3, "Became consistent", varcon)
129
                               self.conflicts.remove(varcon)
130
                               for v in varcon.scope: # v is in one fewer
131
                                    conflicts
```

```
var_differential[v] =
132
                                       var\_differential.get(v,0)-1
                       else:
133
                           if varcon not in self.conflicts: # was consis, not now
134
                               self.display(3,"Became inconsistent", varcon)
135
                               self.conflicts.add(varcon)
136
137
                               for v in varcon.scope: # v is in one more
                                   conflicts
                                   var_differential[v] =
138
                                       var_differential.get(v,0)+1
                   self.variable_pq.update_each_priority(var_differential)
139
                   self.display(2,"Number of conflicts",len(self.conflicts))
140
                if not self.conflicts: # no conflicts, so solution found
141
                   self.display(1, "Solution found:",
142
                       self.current_assignment,"in"
                                self.number_of_steps, "steps")
143
                   return self.number_of_steps
144
            self.display(1,"No solution in",self.number_of_steps,"steps",
145
                       len(self.conflicts), "conflicts remain")
146
147
            return None
```

create_pq creates an updatable priority queue of the variables, ordered by the number of conflicts they participate in. The priority queue only includes variables in conflicts and the value of a variable is the *negative* of the number of conflicts the variable is in. This ensures that the priority queue, which picks the minimum value, picks a variable with the most conflicts.

```
_cspSLS.py — (continued) _
149
        def create_pq(self):
            """Create the variable to number-of-conflicts priority queue.
150
            This is needed to select the variable in the most conflicts.
151
152
            The value of a variable in the priority queue is the negative of the
153
            number of conflicts the variable appears in.
154
155
            self.variable_pq = Updatable_priority_queue()
156
            var_to_number_conflicts = {}
157
            for con in self.conflicts:
158
159
                for var in con.scope:
                   var_to_number_conflicts[var] =
160
                        var_to_number_conflicts.get(var,0)+1
            for var,num in var_to_number_conflicts.items():
161
                if num>0:
162
163
                    self.variable_pq.add(var,-num)
                                    .cspSLS.py — (continued)
    def random_choice(st):
165
        """selects a random element from set st.
166
        It will be more efficient to convert to a tuple or list only once."""
167
        return random.choice(tuple(st))
168
```

Exercise 4.15 This makes no attempt to find the best alternative value for a variable. Modify the code so that after selecting a variable it selects a value the reduces the number of conflicts by the most. Have a parameter that specifies the probability that the best value is chosen.

Exercise 4.16 These implementations always select a value for the variable selected that is different from its current value (if that is possible). Change the code so that it does not have this restriction (so it can leave the value the same). Would you expect this code to be faster? Does it work worse (or better)?

4.5.3 Updatable Priority Queues

An **updatable priority queue** is a priority queue, where key-value pairs can be stored, and the pair with the smallest key can be found and removed quickly, and where the values can be updated. This implementation follows the idea of http://docs.python.org/3.5/library/heapq.html, where the updated elements are marked as removed. This means that the priority queue can be used unmodified. However, this might be expensive if changes are more common than popping (as might happen if the probability of choosing the best is close to zero).

In this implementation, the equal values are sorted randomly. This is achieved by having the elements of the heap being [val, rand, elt] triples, where the second element is a random number. Note that Python requires this to be a list, not a tuple, as the tuple cannot be modified.

```
_cspSLS.py — (continued)
    class Updatable_priority_queue(object):
170
        """A priority queue where the values can be updated.
171
        Elements with the same value are ordered randomly.
172
173
        This code is based on the ideas described in
174
        http://docs.python.org/3.3/library/heapq.html
175
        It could probably be done more efficiently by
176
        shuffling the modified element in the heap.
177
178
        def __init__(self):
179
            self.pq = [] # priority queue of [val,rand,elt] triples
180
            self.elt_map = {} # map from elt to [val,rand,elt] triple in pq
181
            self.REMOVED = "*removed*" # a string that won't be a legal element
182
            self.max_size=0
183
184
        def add(self,elt,val):
185
            """adds elt to the priority queue with priority=val.
186
187
            assert val <= 0,val</pre>
188
            assert elt not in self.elt_map, elt
189
            new_triple = [val, random.random(),elt]
190
            heapq.heappush(self.pq, new_triple)
191
            self.elt_map[elt] = new_triple
192
```

```
193
194
        def remove(self,elt):
            """remove the element from the priority queue"""
195
            if elt in self.elt_map:
196
               self.elt_map[elt][2] = self.REMOVED
197
               del self.elt_map[elt]
198
199
        def update_each_priority(self,update_dict):
200
            """update values in the priority queue by subtracting the values in
201
            update_dict from the priority of those elements in priority queue.
202
203
            for elt,incr in update_dict.items():
204
               if incr != 0:
205
                   newval = self.elt_map.get(elt,[0])[0] - incr
206
                   assert newval <= 0,</pre>
207
                        str(elt)+":"+str(newval+incr)+"-"+str(incr)
                   self.remove(elt)
208
                   if newval != 0:
209
                       self.add(elt,newval)
210
211
        def pop(self):
212
            """Removes and returns the (elt, value) pair with minimal value.
213
            If the priority queue is empty, IndexError is raised.
214
215
            self.max_size = max(self.max_size, len(self.pq)) # keep statistics
216
            triple = heapq.heappop(self.pq)
217
            while triple[2] == self.REMOVED:
218
219
                triple = heapq.heappop(self.pq)
            del self.elt_map[triple[2]]
220
            return triple[2], triple[0] # elt, value
221
222
223
        def top(self):
            """Returns the (elt, value) pair with minimal value, without
224
                removing it.
            If the priority queue is empty, IndexError is raised.
225
226
            self.max_size = max(self.max_size, len(self.pq)) # keep statistics
227
            triple = self.pq[0]
228
            while triple[2] == self.REMOVED:
229
               heapq.heappop(self.pq)
230
231
                triple = self.pq[0]
            return triple[2], triple[0] # elt, value
232
233
        def empty(self):
234
            """returns True iff the priority queue is empty"""
235
            return all(triple[2] == self.REMOVED for triple in self.pq)
236
```

4.5.4 Plotting Runtime Distributions

Runtime_distribution uses matplotlib to plot runtime distributions. Here the runtime is a misnomer as we are only plotting the number of steps, not the time. Computing the runtime is non-trivial as many of the runs have a very short runtime. To compute the time accurately would require running the same code, with the same random seed, multiple times to get a good estimate of the runtime. This is left as an exercise.

```
_cspSLS.py — (continued)
    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
238
239
    class Runtime_distribution(object):
240
        def __init__(self, csp, xscale='log'):
241
            """Sets up plotting for csp
242
            xscale is either 'linear' or 'log'
243
244
245
            self.csp = csp
            plt.ion()
246
            plt.xlabel("Number of Steps")
247
            plt.ylabel("Cumulative Number of Runs")
248
            plt.xscale(xscale) # Makes a 'log' or 'linear' scale
249
250
251
        def plot_runs(self,num_runs=100,max_steps=1000, prob_best=1.0,
            prob_anycon=1.0):
            """Plots num_runs of SLS for the given settings.
252
            ,, ,, ,,
253
            stats = []
254
            SLSearcher.max_display_level, temp_mdl = 0,
255
                SLSearcher.max_display_level # no display
            for i in range(num_runs):
256
                searcher = SLSearcher(self.csp)
257
                num_steps = searcher.search(max_steps, prob_best, prob_anycon)
258
                if num_steps:
259
                    stats.append(num_steps)
260
            stats.sort()
261
            if prob_best >= 1.0:
262
                label = "P(best)=1.0"
263
264
            else:
                p_ac = min(prob_anycon, 1-prob_best)
265
                label = "P(best)=%.2f, P(ac)=%.2f" % (prob_best, p_ac)
266
            plt.plot(stats,range(len(stats)),label=label)
267
            plt.legend(loc="upper left")
268
269
            #plt.draw()
            SLSearcher.max_display_level= temp_mdl #restore display
270
```

4.5.5 Testing

```
272
    from cspExamples import test_csp
273
    def sls_solver(csp,prob_best=0.7):
       """stochastic local searcher (prob_best=0.7)"""
274
       se0 = SLSearcher(csp)
275
       se0.search(1000,prob_best)
276
       return se0.current_assignment
277
278
    def any_conflict_solver(csp):
       """stochastic local searcher (any-conflict)"""
279
       return sls_solver(csp,0)
280
281
    if __name__ == "__main__":
282
       test_csp(sls_solver)
283
       test_csp(any_conflict_solver)
284
285
    from cspExamples import csp1, csp2, crossword1, crossword1d
286
287
    ## Test Solving CSPs with Search:
288
    #se1 = SLSearcher(csp1); print(se1.search(100))
289
    #se2 = SLSearcher(csp2); print(se2.search(1000,1.0)) # greedy
290
    #se2 = SLSearcher(csp2); print(se2.search(1000,0)) # any_conflict
291
    #se2 = SLSearcher(csp2); print(se2.search(1000,0.7)) # 70% greedy; 30%
292
        any_conflict
    #SLSearcher.max_display_level=2 #more detailed display
293
    #se3 = SLSearcher(crossword1); print(se3.search(100),0.7)
294
    #p = Runtime_distribution(csp2)
295
    #p.plot_runs(1000,1000,0) # any_conflict
    #p.plot_runs(1000,1000,1.0) # greedy
297
```

Exercise 4.17 Modify this to plot the runtime, instead of the number of steps. To measure runtime use *timeit* (https://docs.python.org/3.5/library/timeit. html). Small runtimes are inaccurate, so timeit can run the same code multiple times. Stochastic local algorithms give different runtimes each time called. To make the timing meaningful, you need to make sure the random seed is the same for each repeated call (see random.getstate and random.setstate in https://docs.python.org/3.5/library/random.html). Because the runtime for different seeds can vary a great deal, for each seed, you should start with 1 iteration and multiplying it by, say 10, until the time is greater than 0.2 seconds. Make sure you plot the average time for each run. Before you start, try to estimate the total runtime, so you will be able to tell if there is a problem with the algorithm stopping.

4.6 Discrete Optimization

A SoftConstraint is a constraint, but where the condition is a real-valued function. Because we did not force the condition to be Boolean, we can makejust reuse the Constraint class.

```
class SoftConstraint(Constraint):
12
13
       """A Constraint consists of
       * scope: a tuple of variables
14
       * function: a real-valued function that can applied to a tuple of values
15
       * string: a string for printing the constraints. All of the strings
           must be unique.
17
       for the variables
18
       def __init__(self, scope, function, string=None, position=None):
19
           Constraint.__init__(self, scope, function, string, position)
20
21
       def value(self,assignment):
22
           return self.holds(assignment)
23
                                 _cspSoft.py — (continued)
  |A = Variable('A', \{1,2\}, position=(0.2,0.9))|
   B = Variable('B', {1,2,3}, position=(0.8,0.9))
26
   C = Variable('C', \{1,2\}, position=(0.5,0.5))
27
   D = Variable('D', {1,2}, position=(0.8,0.1))
29
   def c1fun(a,b):
30
       if a==1: return (5 if b==1 else 2)
31
32
       else: return (0 if b==1 else 4 if b==2 else 3)
   c1 = SoftConstraint([A,B],c1fun,"c1")
33
   def c2fun(b,c):
34
       if b==1: return (5 if c==1 else 2)
35
       elif b==2: return (0 if c==1 else 4)
36
       else: return (2 if c==1 else 0)
37
   c2 = SoftConstraint([B,C],c2fun,"c2")
38
   def c3fun(b,d):
39
40
       if b==1: return (3 if d==1 else 0)
       elif b==2: return 2
41
       else: return (2 if d==1 else 4)
42
43
   c3 = SoftConstraint([B,D],c3fun,"c3")
44
45
   def penalty_if_same(pen):
       "returns a function that gives a penalty of pen if the arguments are
46
           the same"
       return lambda x,y: (pen if (x==y) else 0)
47
48
   c4 = SoftConstraint([C,A],penalty_if_same(3),"c4")
49
50
   scsp1 = CSP("scsp1", {A,B,C,D}, [c1,c2,c3,c4])
51
52
   ### The second soft CSP has an extra variable, and 2 constraints
53
54
   E = Variable('E', \{1,2\}, position=(0.1,0.1))
55
   c5 = SoftConstraint([C,E],penalty_if_same(3),"c5")
56
  c6 = SoftConstraint([D,E],penalty_if_same(2),"c6")
  |scsp2 = CSP("scsp1", {A,B,C,D,E}, [c1,c2,c3,c4,c5,c6])|
```

4.6.1 Branch-and-bound Search

Here we specialize the branch-and-bound algorithm (Section 3.3 on page 47).

```
__cspSoft.py — (continued) _
   from display import Displayable, visualize
60
   import math
61
62
   class DF_branch_and_bound_opt(Displayable):
63
       """returns a branch and bound searcher for a problem.
64
       An optimal assignment with cost less than bound can be found by calling
65
           search()
66
       def __init__(self, csp, bound=math.inf):
67
           """creates a searcher than can be used with search() to find an
68
               optimal path.
           bound gives the initial bound. By default this is infinite -
69
               meaning there
           is no initial pruning due to depth bound
70
71
           super().__init__()
72
           self.csp = csp
73
           self.best_asst = None
74
           self.bound = bound
75
76
       def optimize(self):
77
           """returns an optimal solution to a problem with cost less than
78
           returns None if there is no solution with cost less than bound."""
79
           self.num_expanded=0
80
           self.cbsearch({}, 0, self.csp.constraints)
81
           self.display(1,"Number of paths expanded:",self.num_expanded)
82
           return self.best_asst, self.bound
83
84
       def cbsearch(self, asst, cost, constraints):
85
           """finds the optimal solution that extends path and is less the
86
               bound"""
           self.display(2, "cbsearch: ", asst, cost, constraints)
87
           can_eval = [c for c in constraints if c.can_evaluate(asst)]
88
           rem_cons = [c for c in constraints if c not in can_eval]
89
           newcost = cost + sum(c.value(asst) for c in can_eval)
90
           self.display(2,"Evaluaing:",can_eval,"cost:",newcost)
91
           if newcost < self.bound:</pre>
92
93
               self.num_expanded += 1
               if rem_cons==[]:
94
                  self.best_asst = asst
                  self.bound = newcost
96
                  self.display(1,"New best assignment:",asst," cost:",newcost)
97
              else:
98
                  var = next(var for var in self.csp.variables if var not in
99
                       asst)
```

Propositions and Inference

5.1 Representing Knowledge Bases

A clause consists of a head (an atom) and a body. A body is represented as a list of atoms. Atoms are represented as strings.

```
__logicProblem.py — Representations Logics _
   class Clause(object):
11
        """A definite clause"""
12
13
       def __init__(self,head,body=[]):
14
            """clause with atom head and lost of atoms body"""
            self.head=head
16
            self.body = body
17
18
19
       def __str__(self):
            """returns the string representation of a clause.
20
21
            if self.body:
22
               return self.head + " <- " + " & ".join(self.body) + "."</pre>
23
           else:
24
                return self.head + "."
```

An askable atom can be asked of the user. The user can respond in English or French or just with a "y".

```
class Askable(object):
    """An askable atom"""

def __init__(self,atom):
    """clause with atom head and lost of atoms body"""
```

```
self.atom=atom
32
33
       def __str__(self):
34
           """returns the string representation of a clause."""
35
           return "askable " + self.atom + "."
36
37
38
   def yes(ans):
       """returns true if the answer is yes in some form"""
39
       return ans.lower() in ['yes', 'yes.', 'oui', 'oui.', 'y', 'y.'] #
           bilingual
```

A knowledge base is a list of clauses and askables. In order to make top-down inference faster, this creates a dictionary that maps each atoms into the set of clauses with that atom in the head.

```
\_logicProblem.py - (continued) \_
   from display import Displayable
42
43
   class KB(Displayable):
44
       """A knowledge base consists of a set of clauses.
45
       This also creates a dictionary to give fast access to the clauses with
46
           an atom in head.
47
48
       def __init__(self, statements=[]):
           self.statements = statements
49
           self.clauses = [c for c in statements if isinstance(c, Clause)]
           self.askables = [c.atom for c in statements if isinstance(c,
51
               Askable)]
           self.atom_to_clauses = {} # dictionary giving clauses with atom as
52
               head
           for c in self.clauses:
53
               if c.head in self.atom_to_clauses:
54
                  self.atom_to_clauses[c.head].add(c)
55
56
                  self.atom_to_clauses[c.head] = {c}
57
58
       def clauses_for_atom(self,a):
59
           """returns set of clauses with atom a as the head"""
60
           if a in self.atom_to_clauses:
61
               return self.atom_to_clauses[a]
62
           else:
63
               return set()
64
65
       def __str__(self):
66
           """returns a string representation of this knowledge base.
67
68
           return '\n'.join([str(c) for c in self.statements])
```

Here is a trivial example (I think therefore I am) using in the unit tests:

```
_____logicProblem.py — (continued) ______
71 | triv_KB = KB([
```

```
72 | Clause('i_am', ['i_think']),
73 | Clause('i_think'),
74 | Clause('i_smell', ['i_exist'])
75 | ])
```

Here is a representation of the electrical domain of the textbook:

```
logicProblem.py — (continued)
    elect = KB([
77
       Clause('light_l1'),
78
        Clause('light_12'),
79
       Clause('ok_l1'),
80
       Clause('ok_12'),
81
       Clause('ok_cb1'),
82
       Clause('ok_cb2'),
83
       Clause('live_outside'),
       Clause('live_l1', ['live_w0']),
85
       Clause('live_w0', ['up_s2', 'live_w1']),
86
       Clause('live_w0', ['down_s2', 'live_w2']),
87
       Clause('live_w1', ['up_s1', 'live_w3']),
88
       Clause('live_w2', ['down_s1','live_w3']),
89
       Clause('live_12', ['live_w4']),
90
       Clause('live_w4', ['up_s3','live_w3']),
91
       Clause('live_p_1', ['live_w3']),
92
       Clause('live_w3', ['live_w5', 'ok_cb1']),
93
        Clause('live_p_2', ['live_w6']),
94
       Clause('live_w6', ['live_w5', 'ok_cb2']),
95
       Clause('live_w5', ['live_outside']),
96
       Clause('lit_l1', ['light_l1', 'live_l1', 'ok_l1']),
97
       Clause('lit_12', ['light_12', 'live_12', 'ok_12']),
98
       Askable('up_s1'),
99
       Askable('down_s1'),
100
       Askable('up_s2'),
101
102
       Askable('down_s2'),
       Askable('up_s3'),
103
       Askable('down_s2')
104
       ])
105
106
107
   |# print(kb)
```

The following knowledge base is false of the intended interpretation. One of the clauses is wrong; can you see which one? We will show how to debug it.

```
_logicProblem.py — (continued)
108
    elect_bug = KB([
        Clause('light_12'),
109
110
        Clause('ok_l1'),
        Clause('ok_12'),
111
        Clause('ok_cb1'),
112
        Clause('ok_cb2'),
113
        Clause('live_outside'),
114
        Clause('live_p_2', ['live_w6']),
115
```

```
Clause('live_w6', ['live_w5', 'ok_cb2']),
116
117
        Clause('light_l1'),
        Clause('live_w5', ['live_outside']),
118
        Clause('lit_l1', ['light_l1', 'live_l1', 'ok_l1']),
119
        Clause('lit_12', ['light_12', 'live_12', 'ok_12']),
120
        Clause('live_l1', ['live_w0']),
121
        Clause('live_w0', ['up_s2', 'live_w1']),
122
        Clause('live_w0', ['down_s2', 'live_w2']),
123
        Clause('live_w1', ['up_s3', 'live_w3']),
124
        Clause('live_w2', ['down_s1','live_w3']),
125
        Clause('live_l2', ['live_w4']),
126
        Clause('live_w4', ['up_s3','live_w3']),
127
        Clause('live_p_1', ['live_w3']),
128
        Clause('live_w3', ['live_w5', 'ok_cb1']),
129
        Askable('up_s1'),
130
        Askable('down_s1'),
131
        Askable('up_s2'),
132
        Clause('light_12'),
133
134
        Clause('ok_l1'),
        Clause('light_12'),
135
        Clause('ok_l1'),
136
        Clause('ok_12'),
137
        Clause('ok_cb1'),
138
139
        Clause('ok_cb2'),
        Clause('live_outside'),
140
        Clause('live_p_2', ['live_w6']),
141
        Clause('live_w6', ['live_w5', 'ok_cb2']),
142
143
        Clause('ok_12'),
        Clause('ok_cb1'),
144
        Clause('ok_cb2'),
145
        Clause('live_outside'),
146
        Clause('live_p_2', ['live_w6']),
147
        Clause('live_w6', ['live_w5', 'ok_cb2']),
148
        Askable('down_s2'),
149
        Askable('up_s3'),
150
        Askable('down_s2')
151
152
153
   # print(kb)
```

5.2 Bottom-up Proofs (with askables)

fixed_point computes the fixed point of the knowledge base *kb*.

```
logicBottomUp.py — Bottom-up Proof Procedure for Definite Clauses

from logicProblem import yes

def fixed_point(kb):
"""Returns the fixed point of knowledge base kb.
```

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```
15
16
       fp = ask_askables(kb)
       added = True
17
       while added:
18
           added = False # added is true when an atom was added to fp this
19
               iteration
20
           for c in kb.clauses:
               if c.head not in fp and all(b in fp for b in c.body):
21
                   fp.add(c.head)
22
                   added = True
23
                  kb.display(2,c.head, "added to fp due to clause",c)
24
25
       return fp
26
   def ask_askables(kb):
27
       return {at for at in kb.askables if yes(input("Is "+at+" true? "))}
28
```

The following provides a trivial **unit test**, by default using the knowledge base triv_KB:

```
_logicBottomUp.py — (continued)
   from logicProblem import triv_KB
30
   def test(kb=triv_KB, fixedpt = {'i_am', 'i_think'}):
31
       fp = fixed_point(kb)
32
33
       assert fp == fixedpt, "kb gave result "+str(fp)
       print("Passed unit test")
34
   if __name__ == "__main__":
35
       test()
36
37
   from logicProblem import elect
38
   # elect.max_display_level=3 # give detailed trace
39
  # fixed_point(elect)
```

Exercise 5.1 It is not very user-friendly to ask all of the askables up-front. Implement ask-the-user so that questions are only asked if useful, and are not re-asked. For example, if there is a clause $h \leftarrow a \land b \land c \land d \land e$, where c and e are askable, c and e only need to be asked if a,b,d are all in fp and they have not been asked before. Askable e only needs to be asked if the user says "yes" to e. Askable e doesn't need to be asked if the user previously replied "no" to e.

This form of ask-the-user can ask a different set of questions than the topdown interpreter that asks questions when encountered. Give an example where they ask different questions (neither set of questions asked is a subset of the other).

Exercise 5.2 This algorithm runs in time $O(n^2)$, where n is the number of clauses, for a bounded number of elements in the body; each iteration goes through each of the clauses, and in the worst case, it will do an iteration for each clause. It is possible to implement this in time O(n) time by creating an index that maps an atom to the set of clauses with that atom in the body. Implement this. What is its complexity as a function of n and b, the maximum number of atoms in the body of a clause?

Exercise 5.3 It is possible to be asymptotically more efficient (in terms of the number of elements in a body) than the method in the previous question by noticing that each element of the body of clause only needs to be checked once. For example, the clause $a \leftarrow b \land c \land d$, needs only be considered when b is added to fp. Once b is added to fp, if c is already in pf, we know that a can be added as soon as d is added. Implement this. What is its complexity as a function of n and b, the maximum number of atoms in the body of a clause?

5.3 Top-down Proofs (with askables)

prove(kb, goal) is used to prove goal from a knowledge base, kb, where a goal is a list of atoms. It returns True if $kb \vdash goal$. The indent is used when displaying the code (and doesn't need to have a non-default value).

```
__logicTopDown.py — Top-down Proof Procedure for Definite Clauses ___
   from logicProblem import yes
11
12
   def prove(kb, ans_body, indent=""):
13
       """returns True if kb |- ans_body
14
       ans_body is a list of atoms to be proved
15
16
       kb.display(2,indent,'yes <-',' & '.join(ans_body))</pre>
17
       if ans_body:
18
           selected = ans_body[0] # select first atom from ans_body
19
           if selected in kb.askables:
20
               return (yes(input("Is "+selected+" true? "))
21
                       and prove(kb,ans_body[1:],indent+" "))
22
23
           else:
               return any(prove(kb,cl.body+ans_body[1:],indent+" ")
24
                          for cl in kb.clauses_for_atom(selected))
25
       else:
26
           return True # empty body is true
27
```

The following provides a simple **unit test** that is hard wired for triv_KB:

```
_logicTopDown.py — (continued)
   from logicProblem import triv_KB
29
   def test():
30
       a1 = prove(triv_KB,['i_am'])
31
       assert a1, "triv_KB proving i_am gave "+str(a1)
32
       a2 = prove(triv_KB,['i_smell'])
33
       assert not a2, "triv_KB proving i_smell gave "+str(a2)
34
       print("Passed unit tests")
35
   if __name__ == "__main__":
36
37
       test()
   # try
38
   from logicProblem import elect
   # elect.max_display_level=3 # give detailed trace
   # prove(elect,['live_w6'])
41
   |# prove(elect,['lit_l1'])
```

Exercise 5.4 This code can re-ask a question multiple times. Implement this code so that it only asks a question once and remembers the answer. Also implement a function to forget the answers.

Exercise 5.5 What search method is this using? Implement the search interface so that it can use A^* or other searching methods. Define an admissible heuristic that is not always 0.

5.4 Debugging and Explanation

Here we modify the top-down procedure to build a proof tree than can be traversed for explanation and debugging.

prove_atom(kb, atom) returns a proof for *atom* from a knowledge base *kb*, where a proof is a pair of the atom and the proofs for the elements of the body of the clause used to prove the atom. prove_body(kb, body) returns a list of proofs for list *body* from a knowledge base, *kb*. The *indent* is used when displaying the code (and doesn't need to have a non-default value).

```
_logicExplain.py — Explaining Proof Procedure for Definite Clauses _
   from logicProblem import yes # for asking the user
11
12
   def prove_atom(kb, atom, indent=""):
13
       """returns a pair (atom, proofs) where proofs is the list of proofs
14
          of the elements of a body of a clause used to prove atom.
15
16
       kb.display(2,indent,'proving',atom)
17
       if atom in kb.askables:
18
           if yes(input("Is "+atom+" true? ")):
19
               return (atom, "answered")
20
           else:
21
               return "fail"
22
       else:
23
           for cl in kb.clauses_for_atom(atom):
24
               kb.display(2,indent,"trying",atom,'<-',' & '.join(cl.body))</pre>
25
               pr_body = prove_body(kb, cl.body, indent)
26
               if pr_body != "fail":
27
                   return (atom, pr_body)
28
           return "fail"
29
30
   def prove_body(kb, ans_body, indent=""):
31
       """returns proof tree if kb |- ans_body or "fail" if there is no proof
32
33
       ans_body is a list of atoms in a body to be proved
34
35
       proofs = []
       for atom in ans_body:
36
           proof_at = prove_atom(kb, atom, indent+" ")
           if proof_at == "fail":
38
               return "fail" # fail if any proof fails
39
           else:
40
```

```
proofs.append(proof_at)
return proofs
```

The following provides a simple unit test that is hard wired for triv_KB:

```
_logicExplain.py — (continued) ___
   from logicProblem import triv_KB
44
   def test():
45
       a1 = prove_atom(triv_KB, 'i_am')
46
       assert a1, "triv_KB proving i_am gave "+str(a1)
47
       a2 = prove_atom(triv_KB, 'i_smell')
48
       assert a2=="fail", "triv_KB proving i_smell gave "+str(a2)
49
       print("Passed unit tests")
50
   if __name__ == "__main__":
51
52
       test()
   # try
53
   from logicProblem import elect, elect_bug
54
   # elect.max_display_level=3 # give detailed trace
   # prove_atom(elect, 'live_w6')
56
  # prove_atom(elect, 'lit_l1')
```

The interact(kb) provides an interactive interface to explore proofs for knowledge base kb. The user can ask to prove atoms and can ask how an atom was proved.

To ask how, there must be a current atom for which there is a proof. This starts as the atom asked. When the user asks "how n" the current atom becomes the n-th element of the body of the clause used to prove the (previous) current atom. The command "up" makes the current atom the atom in the head of the rule containing the (previous) current atom. Thus "how n" moves down the proof tree and "up" moves up the proof tree, allowing the user to explore the full proof.

```
__logicExplain.py — (continued) ___
   helptext = """Commands are:
               ask is there is a proof for atom (atom should not be in quotes)
   ask atom
   how
               show the clause that was used to prove atom
61
               show the clause used to prove the nth element of the body
62
   how n
               go back up proof tree to explore other parts of the proof tree
63
   up
               print the knowledge base
   kb
               quit this interaction (and go back to Python)
65
   quit
   help
               print this text
67
68
   def interact(kb):
69
70
       going = True
       ups = [] # stack for going up
71
       proof="fail" # there is no proof to start
72
       while going:
73
           inp = input("logicExplain: ")
74
           inps = inp.split(" ")
75
```

```
76
            try:
77
                command = inps[0]
                if command == "quit":
78
                    going = False
79
                elif command == "ask":
80
                    proof = prove_atom(kb, inps[1])
81
                    if proof == "fail":
82
83
                        print("fail")
                    else:
                        print("yes")
85
                elif command == "how":
86
                    if proof=="fail":
87
                        print("there is no proof")
88
                    elif len(inps)==1:
89
                       print_rule(proof)
90
                    else:
91
92
                        try:
                            ups.append(proof)
93
                            proof = proof[1][int(inps[1])] #nth argument of rule
94
                            print_rule(proof)
95
                        except:
96
                            print('In "how n", n must be a number between 0
97
                                and', len(proof[1])-1, "inclusive.")
                elif command == "up":
98
99
                    if ups:
                        proof = ups.pop()
100
                    else:
101
102
                        print("No rule to go up to.")
                    print_rule(proof)
103
                elif command == "kb":
104
                     print(kb)
105
                elif command == "help":
106
                    print(helptext)
107
108
                    print("unknown command:", inp)
109
                    print("use help for help")
110
            except:
111
                print("unknown command:", inp)
112
113
                print("use help for help")
114
    def print_rule(proof):
115
        (head,body) = proof
116
        if body == "answered":
117
            print(head, "was answered yes")
118
119
        elif body == []:
                 print(head, "is a fact")
120
        else:
121
                print(head, "<-")</pre>
122
123
                for i,a in enumerate(body):
                    print(i,":",a[0])
124
```

```
125  |
126  # try
127  # interact(elect)
128  # Which clause is wrong in elect_bug? Try:
129  # interact(elect_bug)
130  # logicExplain: ask lit_l1
```

The following shows an interaction for the knowledge base elect:

```
>>> interact(elect)
logicExplain: ask lit_l1
Is up_s2 true? no
Is down_s2 true? yes
Is down_s1 true? yes
yes
logicExplain: how
lit_l1 <-
0 : light_l1
1 : live_l1
2 : ok_11
logicExplain: how 1
live_l1 <-
0 : live_w0
logicExplain: how 0
live_w0 <-
0 : down_s2
1 : live_w2
logicExplain: how 0
down_s2 was answered yes
logicExplain: up
live_w0 <-
0 : down_s2
1 : live_w2
logicExplain: how 1
live_w2 <-
0 : down_s1
1 : live_w3
logicExplain: quit
>>>
```

Exercise 5.6 The above code only ever explores one proof – the first proof found. Change the code to enumerate the proof trees (by returning a list all proof trees, or preferably using yield). Add the command "retry" to the user interface to try another proof.

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Atom a can be made assumable by including Assumable(a) in the knowledge base. A knowledge base that can include assumables is declared with KBA.

```
_logicAssumables.py — Definite clauses with assumables _
11
   from logicProblem import Clause, Askable, KB, yes
12
   class Assumable(object):
13
       """An askable atom"""
14
15
       def __init__(self,atom):
16
           """clause with atom head and lost of atoms body"""
17
           self.atom = atom
18
19
       def __str__(self):
20
           """returns the string representation of a clause.
21
22
           return "assumable " + self.atom + "."
23
24
   class KBA(KB):
25
       """A knowledge base that can include assumables"""
26
       def __init__(self,statements):
27
           self.assumables = [c.atom for c in statements if isinstance(c,
               Assumable)]
           KB.__init__(self,statements)
29
```

The top-down Horn clause interpreter, *prove_all_ass* returns a list of the sets of assumables that imply *ans_body*. This list will contain all of the minimal sets of assumables, but can also find non-minimal sets, and repeated sets, if they can be generated with separate proofs. The set *assumed* is the set of assumables already assumed.

```
__logicAssumables.py — (continued) _
       def prove_all_ass(self, ans_body, assumed=set()):
31
           """returns a list of sets of assumables that extends assumed
32
           to imply ans_body from self.
33
           ans_body is a list of atoms (it is the body of the answer clause).
34
           assumed is a set of assumables already assumed
35
36
           if ans_body:
37
               selected = ans_body[0] # select first atom from ans_body
38
               if selected in self.askables:
39
                   if yes(input("Is "+selected+" true? ")):
40
                       return self.prove_all_ass(ans_body[1:],assumed)
41
                   else:
                       return [] # no answers
43
               elif selected in self.assumables:
                   return self.prove_all_ass(ans_body[1:],assumed|{selected})
45
               else:
46
                   return [ass
47
```

```
for cl in self.clauses_for_atom(selected)
48
49
                          for ass in
                              self.prove_all_ass(cl.body+ans_body[1:],assumed)
                             ] # union of answers for each clause with
50
                                 head=selected
           else:
                                # empty body
51
               return [assumed] # one answer
53
       def conflicts(self):
54
           """returns a list of minimal conflicts"""
55
           return minsets(self.prove_all_ass(['false']))
56
```

Given a list of sets, *minsets* returns a list of the minimal sets in the list. For example, $minsets([\{2,3,4\},\{2,3\},\{6,2,3\},\{2,4,5\}])$ returns $[\{2,3\},\{2,4,5\}]$.

```
____logicAssumables.py — (continued) ___
   def minsets(ls):
58
       """ls is a list of sets
59
       returns a list of minimal sets in 1s
60
61
62
       ans = []
                    # elements known to be minimal
       for c in ls:
63
            if not any(c1<c for c1 in ls) and not any(c1 <= c for c1 in ans):</pre>
64
               ans.append(c)
       return ans
66
67
   | # minsets([{2, 3, 4}, {2, 3}, {6, 2, 3}, {2, 3}, {2, 4, 5}])
```

Warning: *minsets* works for a list of sets or for a set of (frozen) sets, but it does not work for a generator of sets. For example, try to predict and then test:

```
minsets(e for e in [{2, 3, 4}, {2, 3}, {6, 2, 3}, {2, 3}, {2, 4, 5}])
```

The diagnoses can be constructed from the (minimal) conflicts as follows. This also works if there are non-minimal conflicts, but is not as efficient.

```
___logicAssumables.py — (continued) _
   def diagnoses(cons):
69
       """cons is a list of (minimal) conflicts.
70
       returns a list of diagnoses."""
71
72
       if cons == []:
73
           return [set()]
74
           return minsets([({e}|d)
                                                  # | is set union
75
                          for e in cons[0]
76
                          for d in diagnoses(cons[1:])])
77
```

Test cases:

```
_____logicAssumables.py — (continued) ______
80 | electa = KBA([
81 | Clause('light_l1'),
```

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```
Clause('light_12'),
82
83
        Assumable('ok_l1'),
        Assumable('ok_12'),
84
        Assumable('ok_s1'),
85
        Assumable('ok_s2'),
86
        Assumable('ok_s3'),
87
88
        Assumable('ok_cb1'),
        Assumable('ok_cb2'),
89
90
        Assumable('live_outside'),
        Clause('live_l1', ['live_w0']),
91
        Clause('live_w0', ['up_s2', 'ok_s2', 'live_w1']),
92
        Clause('live_w0', ['down_s2','ok_s2','live_w2']),
93
        Clause('live_w1', ['up_s1', 'ok_s1', 'live_w3']),
94
        Clause('live_w2', ['down_s1', 'ok_s1', 'live_w3']),
95
        Clause('live_l2', ['live_w4']),
96
        Clause('live_w4', ['up_s3', 'ok_s3', 'live_w3']),
97
        Clause('live_p_1', ['live_w3']),
98
        Clause('live_w3', ['live_w5', 'ok_cb1']),
99
        Clause('live_p_2', ['live_w6']),
100
        Clause('live_w6', ['live_w5', 'ok_cb2']),
101
        Clause('live_w5', ['live_outside']),
102
        Clause('lit_l1', ['light_l1', 'live_l1', 'ok_l1']),
103
        Clause('lit_12', ['light_12', 'live_12', 'ok_12']),
104
105
        Askable('up_s1'),
        Askable('down_s1'),
106
        Askable('up_s2'),
107
        Askable('down_s2'),
108
109
        Askable('up_s3'),
        Askable('down_s2'),
110
        Askable('dark_l1'),
111
        Askable('dark_12'),
112
        Clause('false', ['dark_l1', 'lit_l1']),
113
        Clause('false', ['dark_12', 'lit_12'])
114
115
    # electa.prove_all_ass(['false'])
116
    # cs=electa.conflicts()
117
    # print(cs)
118
   # diagnoses(cs)
                          # diagnoses from conflicts
```

Exercise 5.7 To implement a version of *conflicts* that never generates non-minimal conflicts, modify *prove_all_ass* to implement iterative deepening on the number of assumables used in a proof, and prune any set of assumables that is a superset of a conflict.

Exercise 5.8 Implement *explanations*(*self*, *body*), where *body* is a list of atoms, that returns the a list of the minimal explanations of the body. This does not require modification of *prove_all_ass*.

Exercise 5.9 Implement *explanations*, as in the previous question, so that it never generates non-minimal explanations. Hint: modify *prove_all_ass* to implement iter-

ative deepening on the number of assumptions, generating conflicts and explanations together, and pruning as early as possible.

Planning with Certainty

6.1 Representing Actions and Planning Problems

The STRIPS representation of an action consists of:

- the name of the action
- preconditions: a dictionary of *feature:value* pairs that specifies that the feature must have this value for the action to be possible
- effects: a dictionary of *feature:value* pairs that are made true by this action. In particular, a feature in the dictionary has the corresponding value (and not its previous value) after the action, and a feature not in the dictionary keeps its old value.

```
_stripsProblem.py — STRIPS Representations of Actions _
   class Strips(object):
11
       def __init__(self, name, preconds, effects, cost=1):
12
13
           defines the STRIPS representation for an action:
           * name is the name of the action
15
           * preconds, the preconditions, is feature: value dictionary that
               must hold
           for the action to be carried out
17
           * effects is a feature:value map that this action makes
18
           true. The action changes the value of any feature specified
           here, and leaves other features unchanged.
20
           * cost is the cost of the action
21
22
```

```
self.name = name
self.preconds = preconds
self.effects = effects
self.cost = cost

def __repr__(self):
return self.name
```

A STRIPS domain consists of:

- A set of actions.
- A dictionary that maps each feature into a set of possible values for the feature.
- A list of the actions

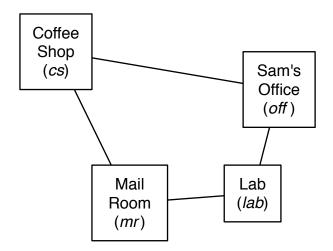
```
__stripsProblem.py — (continued) __
   class STRIPS_domain(object):
31
       def __init__(self, feature_domain_dict, actions):
32
           """Problem domain
33
           feature_domain_dict is a feature:domain dictionary,
34
                   mapping each feature to its domain
35
           actions
36
37
           self.feature_domain_dict = feature_domain_dict
38
            self.actions = actions
39
```

A planning problem consists of a planning domain, an initial state, and a goal. The goal does not need to fully specify the final state.

```
_stripsProblem.py — (continued)
   class Planning_problem(object):
41
       def __init__(self, prob_domain, initial_state, goal):
42
43
           a planning problem consists of
44
           * a planning domain
45
           * the initial state
46
47
           * a goal
48
           self.prob_domain = prob_domain
49
           self.initial_state = initial_state
50
51
           self.goal = goal
```

6.1.1 Robot Delivery Domain

The following specifies the robot delivery domain of Section 6.1, shown in Figure 6.1.



Features to describe states

Actions

<i>RLoc</i> – Rob's location	<i>mc</i> – move clockwise
RHC - Rob has coffee	<i>mcc</i> – move counterclockwise
SWC – Sam wants coffee	<i>puc</i> – pickup coffee
MW - Mail is waiting	<i>dc</i> – deliver coffee
RHM - Rob has mail	<i>pum</i> – pickup mail
	<i>dm</i> – deliver mail

Figure 6.1: Robot Delivery Domain

```
__stripsProblem.py — (continued) _
   boolean = {True, False}
53
   delivery_domain = STRIPS_domain(
54
       {'RLoc':{'cs', 'off', 'lab', 'mr'}, 'RHC':boolean, 'SWC':boolean,
55
        'MW':boolean, 'RHM':boolean},
                                             #feature:values dictionary
56
       { Strips('mc_cs', {'RLoc':'cs'}, {'RLoc':'off'}),
57
        Strips('mc_off', {'RLoc':'off'}, {'RLoc':'lab'}),
58
        Strips('mc_lab', {'RLoc':'lab'}, {'RLoc':'mr'}),
59
60
        Strips('mc_mr', {'RLoc':'mr'}, {'RLoc':'cs'}),
        Strips('mcc_cs', {'RLoc':'cs'}, {'RLoc':'mr'}),
61
        Strips('mcc_off', {'RLoc':'off'}, {'RLoc':'cs'}),
62
        Strips('mcc_lab', {'RLoc':'lab'}, {'RLoc':'off'}),
63
        Strips('mcc_mr', {'RLoc':'mr'}, {'RLoc':'lab'}),
64
65
        Strips('puc', {'RLoc':'cs', 'RHC':False}, {'RHC':True}),
        Strips('dc', {'RLoc':'off', 'RHC':True}, {'RHC':False, 'SWC':False}),
66
        Strips('pum', {'RLoc':'mr','MW':True}, {'RHM':True,'MW':False}),
67
        Strips('dm', {'RLoc':'off', 'RHM':True}, {'RHM':False})
68
      })
69
```

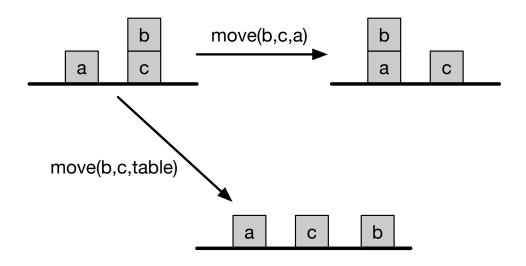


Figure 6.2: Blocks world with two actions

```
problem0 = Planning_problem(delivery_domain,
71
                              {'RLoc':'lab', 'MW':True, 'SWC':True, 'RHC':False,
72
73
                               'RHM':False},
                              {'RLoc':'off'})
74
   problem1 = Planning_problem(delivery_domain,
75
                              {'RLoc':'lab', 'MW':True, 'SWC':True, 'RHC':False,
76
                               'RHM':False},
77
                              {'SWC':False})
78
   problem2 = Planning_problem(delivery_domain,
79
                              {'RLoc':'lab', 'MW':True, 'SWC':True, 'RHC':False,
                               'RHM':False},
81
                              {'SWC':False, 'MW':False, 'RHM':False})
82
```

6.1.2 Blocks World

The blocks world consist of blocks and a table. Each block can be on the table or on another block. A block can only have one other block on top of it. Figure 6.2 shows 3 states with some of the actions between them.

A state is defined by the two features:

- on where on(x) = y when block x is on block or table y
- *clear* where clear(x) = True when block x has nothing on it.

There is one parameterized action

 move(x, y, z) move block x from y to z, where y and z could be a block or the table. To handle parameterized actions (which depend on the blocks involved), the actions and the features are all strings, created for the all combinations of the blocks. Note that we treat moving to a block separately from moving to the table, because the blocks needs to be clear, but the table always has room for another block.

```
_stripsProblem.py — (continued)
    ### blocks world
84
    def move(x,y,z):
85
        """string for the 'move' action"""
86
        return 'move_'+x+'_from_'+y+'_to_'+z
87
    def on(x):
88
        """string for the 'on' feature"""
89
        return x+'_is_on'
90
    def clear(x):
91
        """string for the 'clear' feature"""
92
        return 'clear_'+x
93
    def create_blocks_world(blocks = {'a', 'b', 'c', 'd'}):
94
        blocks_and_table = blocks | {'table'}
95
        stmap = {Strips(move(x,y,z),{on(x):y, clear(x):True, clear(z):True},
96
97
                                    {on(x):z, clear(y):True, clear(z):False})
                       for x in blocks
98
                       for y in blocks_and_table
99
                       for z in blocks
100
                       if x!=y and y!=z and z!=x
101
        stmap.update({Strips(move(x,y,'table'), {on(x):y, clear(x):True},
102
                                    {on(x):'table', clear(y):True})
103
                       for x in blocks
104
                       for y in blocks
105
                       if x!=y})
106
        feature_domain_dict = {on(x):blocks_and_table-{x} for x in blocks}
107
108
        feature_domain_dict.update({clear(x):boolean for x in blocks_and_table})
        return STRIPS_domain(feature_domain_dict, stmap)
109
```

The problem *blocks*1 is a classic example, with 3 blocks, and the goal consists of two conditions. See Figure 6.3. Note that this example is challenging because we can't achieve one of the goals and then the other; whichever one we achieve first has to be undone to achieve the second.

The problem *blocks*2 is one to invert a tower of size 4.

```
_____stripsProblem.py — (continued) ______

118 | blocks2dom = create_blocks_world({'a','b','c','d'})
```

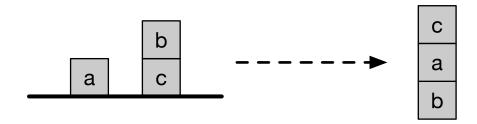


Figure 6.3: Blocks problem blocks1

The problem *blocks*3 is to move the bottom block to the top of a tower of size 4.

Exercise 6.1 Represent the problem of given a tower of 4 blocks (a on b on c on d on table), the goal is to have a tower with the previous top block on the bottom (b on c on d on a). Do not include the table in your goal (the goal does not care whether a is on the table). [Before you run the program, estimate how many steps it will take to solve this.] How many steps does an optimal planner take?

Exercise 6.2 Represent the domain so that on(x, y) is a Boolean feature that is True when x is on y, Does the representation of the state need to not include negative on facts? Why or why not? (Note that this may depend on the planner; write your answer with respect to particular planners.)

Exercise 6.3 It is possible to write the representation of the problem without using clear, where clear(x) means nothing is on x. Change the definition of the blocks world so that it does not use clear but uses on being false instead. Does this work better for any of the planners?

6.2 Forward Planning

To run the demo, in folder "aipython", load "stripsForwardPlanner.py", and copy and paste the commented-out example queries at the bottom of that file.

In a forward planner, a node is a state. A state consists of an assignment, which is a variable:value dictionary. In order to be able to do multiple-path pruning, we need to define a hash function, and equality between states.

```
_stripsForwardPlanner.py — Forward Planner with STRIPS actions _
   from searchProblem import Arc, Search_problem
   from stripsProblem import Strips, STRIPS_domain
12
13
   class State(object):
14
       def __init__(self,assignment):
15
           self.assignment = assignment
16
17
           self.hash_value = None
       def __hash__(self):
18
           if self.hash_value is None:
19
               self.hash_value = hash(frozenset(self.assignment.items()))
20
21
           return self.hash_value
       def __eq__(self,st):
22
23
           return self.assignment == st.assignment
       def __str__(self):
24
           return str(self.assignment)
25
```

In order to define a search problem (page 33), we need to define the goal condition, the start nodes, the neighbours, and (optionally) a heuristic function. Here *zero* is the default heuristic function.

```
_stripsForwardPlanner.py — (continued)
27
   def zero(*args,**nargs):
       """always returns 0"""
28
       return 0
29
30
   class Forward_STRIPS(Search_problem):
31
       """A search problem from a planning problem where:
32
       * a node is a state object.
33
       * the dynamics are specified by the STRIPS representation of actions
34
35
       def __init__(self, planning_problem, heur=zero):
36
           """creates a forward search space from a planning problem.
37
           heur(state, goal) is a heuristic function,
38
              an underestimate of the cost from state to goal, where
39
              both state and goals are feature: value dictionaries.
40
41
           self.prob_domain = planning_problem.prob_domain
42
           self.initial_state = State(planning_problem.initial_state)
43
           self.goal = planning_problem.goal
44
           self.heur = heur
45
46
       def is_goal(self, state):
47
           """is True if node is a goal.
48
49
           Every goal feature has the same value in the state and the goal."""
50
           return all(state.assignment[prop]==self.goal[prop]
51
```

```
for prop in self.goal)
52
53
       def start_node(self):
54
           """returns start node"""
55
           return self.initial_state
56
57
58
       def neighbors(self, state):
59
           """returns neighbors of state in this problem"""
           return [ Arc(state, self.effect(act,state.assignment), act.cost,
               act)
                   for act in self.prob_domain.actions
61
                   if self.possible(act,state.assignment)]
62
63
       def possible(self,act,state_asst):
64
           """True if act is possible in state.
65
           act is possible if all of its preconditions have the same value in
66
               the state"""
           return all(state_asst[pre] == act.preconds[pre]
67
                     for pre in act.preconds)
68
69
       def effect(self,act,state_asst):
70
           """returns the state that is the effect of doing act given
71
               state_asst
          Python 3.9: return state_asst | act.effects"""
72
73
           new_state_asst = state_asst.copy()
           new_state_asst.update(act.effects)
74
           return State(new_state_asst)
75
76
       def heuristic(self, state):
77
           """in the forward planner a node is a state.
78
           the heuristic is an (under)estimate of the cost
79
           of going from the state to the top-level goal.
80
81
82
           return self.heur(state.assignment, self.goal)
```

Here are some test cases to try.

```
stripsForwardPlanner.py — (continued)

from searchBranchAndBound import DF_branch_and_bound
from searchMPP import SearcherMPP
from stripsProblem import problem0, problem1, problem2, blocks1, blocks2, blocks3

# SearcherMPP(Forward_STRIPS(problem1)).search() #A* with MPP
# DF_branch_and_bound(Forward_STRIPS(problem1),10).search() #B&B
# To find more than one plan:
# s1 = SearcherMPP(Forward_STRIPS(problem1)) #A*
# s1.search() #find another plan
```

6.2.1 Defining Heuristics for a Planner

Each planning domain requires its own heuristics. If you change the actions, you will need to reconsider the heuristic function, as there might then be a lower-cost path, which might make the heuristic non-admissible.

Here is an example of defining a (not very good) heuristic for the coffee delivery planning domain.

First we define the distance between two locations, which is used for the heuristics.

```
stripsHeuristic.py — Planner with Heuristic Function
   def dist(loc1, loc2):
11
        """returns the distance from location loc1 to loc2
12
13
        if loc1==loc2:
14
            return 0
15
        if {loc1,loc2} in [{'cs','lab'},{'mr','off'}]:
16
            return 2
17
        else:
18
            return 1
19
```

Note that the current state is a complete description; there is a value for every feature. However the goal need not be complete; it does not need to define a value for every feature. Before checking the value for a feature in the goal, a heuristic needs to define whether the feature is defined in the goal.

```
_stripsHeuristic.py — (continued) .
   def h1(state,goal):
21
       """ the distance to the goal location, if there is one"""
22
       if 'RLoc' in goal:
23
           return dist(state['RLoc'], goal['RLoc'])
24
       else:
25
           return 0
26
27
   def h2(state,goal):
28
       """ the distance to the coffee shop plus getting coffee and delivering
29
       if the robot needs to get coffee
30
31
       if ('SWC' in goal and goal['SWC']==False
32
               and state['SWC']==True
33
               and state['RHC']==False):
34
           return dist(state['RLoc'], 'cs')+3
35
       else:
36
37
           return 0
```

The maximum of the values of a set of admissible heuristics is also an admissible heuristic. The function maxh takes a number of heuristic functions as arguments, and returns a new heuristic function that takes the maximum of the values of the heuristics. For example, h1 and h2 are heuristic functions and so maxh(h1,h2) is also. maxh can take an arbitrary number of arguments.

```
_stripsHeuristic.py — (continued)
39
   def maxh(*heuristics):
       """Returns a new heuristic function that is the maximum of the
40
           functions in heuristics.
       heuristics is the list of arguments which must be heuristic functions.
41
42
       # return lambda state,goal: max(h(state,goal) for h in heuristics)
43
       def newh(state,goal):
44
45
           return max(h(state,goal) for h in heuristics)
       return newh
46
```

The following runs the example with and without the heuristic.

```
_stripsHeuristic.py — (continued)
   ##### Forward Planner #####
48
   from searchMPP import SearcherMPP
49
   from stripsForwardPlanner import Forward_STRIPS
50
51
   from stripsProblem import problem0, problem1, problem2, blocks1, blocks2,
        blocks3
52
   def test_forward_heuristic(thisproblem=problem1):
53
54
       print("\n***** FORWARD NO HEURISTIC")
       print(SearcherMPP(Forward_STRIPS(thisproblem)).search())
55
56
       print("\n***** FORWARD WITH HEURISTIC h1")
57
       print(SearcherMPP(Forward_STRIPS(thisproblem,h1)).search())
58
59
       print("\n***** FORWARD WITH HEURISTIC h2")
60
       print(SearcherMPP(Forward_STRIPS(thisproblem, h2)).search())
62
       print("\n***** FORWARD WITH HEURISTICs h1 and h2")
63
       print(SearcherMPP(Forward_STRIPS(thisproblem, maxh(h1, h2))).search())
64
   if __name__ == "__main__":
66
67
       test_forward_heuristic()
```

Exercise 6.4 Try the forward planner with a heuristic function of just h1, with just h2 and with both. Explain how each one prunes or doesn't prune the search space.

Exercise 6.5 Create a better heuristic than maxh(h1, h2). Try it for a number of different problems. In particular, try and include the following costs:

- i) *h*3 is like *h*2 but also takes into account the case when *Rloc* is in goal.
- ii) *h*4 uses the distance to the mail room plus getting mail and delivering it if the robot needs to get need to deliver mail.
- iii) *h*5 is for getting mail when goal is for the robot to have mail, and then getting to the goal destination (if there is one).

Exercise 6.6 Create an admissible heuristic for the blocks world.

6.3 Regression Planning

To run the demo, in folder "aipython", load "stripsRegressionPlanner.py", and copy and paste the commented-out example queries at the bottom of that file.

In a regression planner a node is a subgoal that need to be achieved.

A *Subgoal* object consists of an assignment, which is *variable:value* dictionary. We make it hashable so that multiple path pruning can work. The hash is only computed when necessary (and only once).

```
_stripsRegressionPlanner.py — Regression Planner with STRIPS actions _
   from searchProblem import Arc, Search_problem
11
12
   class Subgoal(object):
13
       def __init__(self,assignment):
14
           self.assignment = assignment
15
           self.hash_value = None
16
       def __hash__(self):
17
           if self.hash_value is None:
18
               self.hash_value = hash(frozenset(self.assignment.items()))
19
20
           return self.hash_value
       def __eq__(self,st):
21
           return self.assignment == st.assignment
22
       def __str__(self):
23
           return str(self.assignment)
```

A regression search has subgoals as nodes. The initial node is the top-level goal of the planner. The goal for the search (when the search can stop) is a subgoal that holds in the initial state.

```
_stripsRegressionPlanner.py — (continued)
   from stripsForwardPlanner import zero
26
27
   class Regression_STRIPS(Search_problem):
28
       """A search problem where:
29
       * a node is a goal to be achieved, represented by a set of propositions.
30
       * the dynamics are specified by the STRIPS representation of actions
31
32
33
       def __init__(self, planning_problem, heur=zero):
34
           """creates a regression search space from a planning problem.
35
           heur(state, goal) is a heuristic function;
36
              an underestimate of the cost from state to goal, where
37
38
              both state and goals are feature: value dictionaries
39
           self.prob_domain = planning_problem.prob_domain
           self.top_goal = Subgoal(planning_problem.goal)
41
           self.initial_state = planning_problem.initial_state
42
           self.heur = heur
43
```

```
44
45
       def is_goal(self, subgoal):
           """if subgoal is true in the initial state, a path has been found"""
           goal_asst = subgoal.assignment
47
           return all(self.initial_state[g]==goal_asst[g]
48
                     for g in goal_asst)
49
50
       def start_node(self):
51
           """the start node is the top-level goal"""
52
           return self.top_goal
53
       def neighbors(self, subgoal):
55
           """returns a list of the arcs for the neighbors of subgoal in this
56
               problem"""
           goal_asst = subgoal.assignment
57
           return [ Arc(subgoal, self.weakest_precond(act,goal_asst),
58
               act.cost, act)
                   for act in self.prob_domain.actions
59
                   if self.possible(act,goal_asst)]
60
61
       def possible(self,act,goal_asst):
62
           """True if act is possible to achieve goal_asst.
64
           the action achieves an element of the effects and
65
           the action doesn't delete something that needs to be achieved and
66
           the preconditions are consistent with other subgoals that need to
               be achieved
           ,, ,, ,,
68
           return ( any(goal_asst[prop] == act.effects[prop]
69
                      for prop in act.effects if prop in goal_asst)
70
                  and all(goal_asst[prop] == act.effects[prop]
71
                          for prop in act.effects if prop in goal_asst)
72
                  and all(goal_asst[prop] == act.preconds[prop]
73
74
                          for prop in act.preconds if prop not in act.effects
                              and prop in goal_asst)
                  )
75
76
       def weakest_precond(self,act,goal_asst):
77
           """returns the subgoal that must be true so goal_asst holds after
78
               act
           should be: act.preconds | (goal_asst - act.effects)
79
80
           new_asst = act.preconds.copy()
81
           for g in goal_asst:
82
               if g not in act.effects:
                  new_asst[g] = goal_asst[g]
84
           return Subgoal(new_asst)
85
86
       def heuristic(self, subgoal):
87
           """in the regression planner a node is a subgoal.
88
```

```
the heuristic is an (under)estimate of the cost of going from the initial state to subgoal.

"""
return self.heur(self.initial_state, subgoal.assignment)
```

```
from searchBranchAndBound import DF_branch_and_bound
from searchMPP import SearcherMPP
from stripsProblem import problem0, problem1, problem2, blocks1, blocks2, blocks3

# SearcherMPP(Regression_STRIPS(problem1)).search() #A* with MPP
# DF_branch_and_bound(Regression_STRIPS(problem1),10).search() #B&B
```

Exercise 6.7 Multiple path pruning could be used to prune more than the current code. In particular, if the current node contains more conditions than a previously visited node, it can be pruned. For example, if $\{a : True, b : False\}$ has been visited, then any node that is a superset, e.g., $\{a : True, b : False, d : True\}$, need not be expanded. If the simpler subgoal does not lead to a solution, the more complicated one wont either. Implement this more severe pruning. (Hint: This may require modifications to the searcher.)

Exercise 6.8 It is possible that, as knowledge of the domain, that some assignment of values to variables can never be achieved. For example, the robot cannot be holding mail when there is mail waiting (assuming it isn't holding mail initially). An assignment of values to (some of the) variables is incompatible if no possible (reachable) state can include that assignment. For example, {'MW': True,' RHM': True} is an incompatible assignment. This information may be useful information for a planner; there is no point in trying to achieve these together. Define a subclass of STRIPS_domain that can accept a list of incompatible assignments. Modify the regression planner code to use such a list of incompatible assignments. Give an example where the search space is smaller.

Exercise 6.9 After completing the previous exercise, design incompatible assignments for the blocks world. (This should result in dramatic search improvements.)

6.3.1 Defining Heuristics for a Regression Planner

The regression planner can use the same heuristic function as the forward planner. However, just because a heuristic is useful for a forward planner does not mean it is useful for a regression planner, and vice versa. you should experiment with whether the same heuristic works well for both a a regression planner and a forward planner.

The following runs the same example as the forward planner with and without the heuristic defined for the forward planner:

```
stripsHeuristic.py — (continued)

69 ##### Regression Planner

70 from stripsRegressionPlanner import Regression_STRIPS
```

```
def test_regression_heuristic(thisproblem=problem1):
    print("\n**** REGRESSION NO HEURISTIC")
    print(SearcherMPP(Regression_STRIPS(thisproblem)).search())

print("\n**** REGRESSION WITH HEURISTICs h1 and h2")
    print(SearcherMPP(Regression_STRIPS(thisproblem,maxh(h1,h2))).search())

if __name__ == "__main__":
    test_regression_heuristic()
```

Exercise 6.10 Try the regression planner with a heuristic function of just h1 and with just h2 (defined in Section 6.2.1). Explain how each one prunes or doesn't prune the search space.

Exercise 6.11 Create a better heuristic than *heuristic fun* defined in Section 6.2.1.

6.4 Planning as a CSP

To run the demo, in folder "aipython", load "stripsCSPPlanner.py", and copy and paste the commented-out example queries at the bottom of that file. This assumes Python 3.

Here we implement the CSP planner assuming there is a single action at each step. This creates a CSP that can use any of the CSP algorithms to solve (e.g., stochastic local search or arc consistency with domain splitting).

This assumes the same action representation as before; we do not consider factored actions (action features), nor do we implement state constraints.

```
\_stripsCSPPlanner.py — CSP planner where actions are represented using STRIPS
   from cspProblem import Variable, CSP, Constraint
11
12
   class CSP_from_STRIPS(CSP):
13
       """A CSP where:
14
       * CSP variables are constructed for each feature and time, and each
15
           action and time
       * the dynamics are specified by the STRIPS representation of actions
16
17
18
       def __init__(self, planning_problem, number_stages=2):
19
           prob_domain = planning_problem.prob_domain
20
           initial_state = planning_problem.initial_state
21
           goal = planning_problem.goal
22
           # self.action_vars[t] is the action variable for time t
           self.action_vars = [Variable(f"Action{t}", prob_domain.actions)
24
                                  for t in range(number_stages)]
           # feat_time_var[f][t] is the variable for feature f at time t
26
           feat_time_var = {feat: [Variable(f"{feat}_{t}",dom)
27
                                           for t in range(number_stages+1)]
28
```

```
for (feat,dom) in
29
                                 prob_domain.feature_domain_dict.items()}
30
           # initial state constraints:
31
           constraints = [Constraint((feat_time_var[feat][0],), is_(val))
32
                              for (feat,val) in initial_state.items()]
33
34
           # goal constraints on the final state:
35
           constraints += [Constraint((feat_time_var[feat][number_stages],),
36
                                         is_(val))
37
                              for (feat,val) in goal.items()]
38
39
           # precondition constraints:
40
           constraints += [Constraint((feat_time_var[feat][t],
41
               self.action_vars[t]),
                                    if_(val,act)) # feat@t==val if action@t==act
42
                              for act in prob_domain.actions
43
                              for (feat,val) in act.preconds.items()
                              for t in range(number_stages)]
45
46
           # effect constraints:
47
           constraints += [Constraint((feat_time_var[feat][t+1],
               self.action_vars[t]),
                                    if_(val,act)) # feat@t+1==val if
49
                                        action@t==act
                              for act in prob_domain.actions
50
                              for feat,val in act.effects.items()
51
                              for t in range(number_stages)]
52
           # frame constraints:
53
54
           constraints += [Constraint((feat_time_var[feat][t],
55
               self.action_vars[t], feat_time_var[feat][t+1]),
                                    eq_if_not_in_({act for act in
56
                                        prob_domain.actions
                                                  if feat in act.effects}))
57
                              for feat in prob_domain.feature_domain_dict
58
                              for t in range(number_stages) ]
59
           variables = set(self.action_vars) | {feat_time_var[feat][t]
60
                                             for feat in
61
                                                 prob_domain.feature_domain_dict
                                             for t in range(number_stages+1)}
62
           CSP.__init__(self, variables, constraints)
63
64
       def extract_plan(self, soln):
65
           return [soln[a] for a in self.action_vars]
66
```

The following methods return methods which can be applied to the particular environment.

For example, $is_{-}(3)$ returns a function that when applied to 3, returns True and when applied to any other value returns False. So $is_{-}(3)(3)$ returns True

and $is_{-}(3)(7)$ returns *False*.

Note that the underscore ($'_'$) is part of the name; here we use it as the convention that it is a function that returns a function. This uses two different styles to define $is_$ and $if_$; returning a function defined by lambda is equivalent to returning the embedded function, except that the embedded function has a name. The embedded function can also be given a docstring.

```
\_stripsCSPPlanner.py — (continued)
   def is_(val):
68
       """returns a function that is true when it is it applied to val.
69
70
71
       #return lambda x: x == val
       def is_fun(x):
72
73
           return x == val
       is_fun.__name__ = "value_is_"+str(val)
74
       return is_fun
75
76
   def if_(v1, v2):
77
       """if the second argument is v2, the first argument must be v1"""
78
79
       #return lambda x1,x2: x1==v1 if x2==v2 else True
       def if_fun(x1,x2):
80
           return x1==v1 if x2==v2 else True
81
       if_fun.__name__ = "if x2 is "+str(v2)+" then x1 is "+str(v1)
82
       return if_fun
83
   def eq_if_not_in_(actset):
85
       """first and third arguments are equal if action is not in actset"""
       # return lambda x1, a, x2: x1==x2 if a not in actset else True
87
       def eq_if_not_fun(x1, a, x2):
88
           return x1==x2 if a not in actset else True
89
       eq_if_not_fun.__name__ = "first and third arguments are equal if action
           is not in "+str(actset)
       return eq_if_not_fun
91
```

Putting it together, this returns a list of actions that solves the problem *prob* for a given horizon. If you want to do more than just return the list of actions, you might want to get it to return the solution. Or even enumerate the solutions (by using *Search_with_AC_from_CSP*).

```
from stripsProblem import delivery_domain
101
102
    from cspConsistency import Search_with_AC_from_CSP, Con_solver
    from stripsProblem import Planning_problem, problem0, problem1, problem2,
103
        blocks1, blocks2, blocks3
104
    # Problem 0
105
106
   | # con_plan(problem0,1) # should it succeed?
    # con_plan(problem0,2) # should it succeed?
107
   # con_plan(problem0,3) # should it succeed?
    # To use search to enumerate solutions
109
    #searcher0a = Searcher(Search_with_AC_from_CSP(CSP_from_STRIPS(problem0,
        1)))
    #print(searcher0a.search()) # returns path to solution
111
112
    ## Problem 1
113
   # con_plan(problem1,5) # should it succeed?
114
   # con_plan(problem1,4) # should it succeed?
115
    ## To use search to enumerate solutions:
116
    #searcher15a = Searcher(Search_with_AC_from_CSP(CSP_from_STRIPS(problem1,
117
    #print(searcher15a.search()) # returns path to solution
118
119
    ## Problem 2
120
    #con_plan(problem2, 6) # should fail??
121
    #con_plan(problem2, 7) # should succeed???
122
123
    ## Example 6.13
124
    problem3 = Planning_problem(delivery_domain,
125
                              {'SWC':True, 'RHC':False}, {'SWC':False})
126
    #con_plan(problem3,2) # Horizon of 2
127
    #con_plan(problem3,3) # Horizon of 3
128
129
    problem4 = Planning_problem(delivery_domain,{'SWC':True},
130
131
                                 {'SWC':False, 'MW':False, 'RHM':False})
132
    # For the stochastic local search:
133
   #from cspSLS import SLSearcher, Runtime_distribution
134
    # cspplanning15 = CSP_from_STRIPS(problem1, 5) # should succeed
135
   #se0 = SLSearcher(cspplanning15); print(se0.search(100000,0.5))
   | #p = Runtime_distribution(cspplanning15)
137
   | #p.plot_runs(1000,1000,0.7) # warning will take a few minutes
```

6.5 Partial-Order Planning

To run the demo, in folder "aipython", load "stripsPOP.py", and copy and paste the commented-out example queries at the bottom of that file.

A partial order planner maintains a partial order of action instances. An action instance consists of a name and an index. We need action instances because the same action could be carried out at different times.

```
_stripsPOP.py — Partial-order Planner using STRIPS representation _
   from searchProblem import Arc, Search_problem
11
   import random
12
13
   class Action_instance(object):
14
       next_index = 0
15
       def __init__(self,action,index=None):
16
           if index is None:
17
               index = Action_instance.next_index
18
               Action_instance.next_index += 1
19
           self.action = action
20
           self.index = index
21
22
       def __str__(self):
23
           return str(self.action)+"#"+str(self.index)
24
25
       __repr__ = __str__ # __repr__ function is the same as the __str__
26
            function
```

A node (as in the abstraction of search space) in a partial-order planner consists of:

- *actions*: a set of action instances.
- *constraints*: a set of (a_1, a_2) pairs, where a_1 and a_2 are action instances, which represents that a_1 must come before a_2 in the partial order. There are a number of ways that this could be represented. Here we represent the set of pairs that are in transitive closure of the *before* relation. This lets us quickly determine whether some before relation is consistent with the current constraints.
- agenda: a list of (s,a) pairs, where s is a (var, val) pair and a is an action instance. This means that variable var must have value val before a can occur.
- *causal links*: a set of (a0, g, a1) triples, where a_1 and a_2 are action instances and g is a (var, val) pair. This holds when action a_0 makes g true for action a_1 .

```
class POP_node(object):

"""a (partial) partial-order plan. This is a node in the search space."""

def __init__(self, actions, constraints, agenda, causal_links):

"""
```

```
* actions is a set of action instances
32
           * constraints a set of (a0,a1) pairs, representing a0<a1,
33
             closed under transitivity
34
           * agenda list of (subgoal,action) pairs to be achieved, where
35
             subgoal is a (variable, value) pair
           * causal_links is a set of (a0,g,a1) triples,
37
38
            where ai are action instances, and g is a (variable, value) pair
39
           self.actions = actions # a set of action instances
40
           self.constraints = constraints # a set of (a0,a1) pairs
41
           self.agenda = agenda # list of (subgoal,action) pairs to be
42
               achieved
           self.causal_links = causal_links # set of (a0,g,a1) triples
43
44
45
       def __str__(self):
           return ("actions: "+str({str(a) for a in self.actions})+
46
                  "\nconstraints: "+
47
                  str({(str(a1),str(a2)) for (a1,a2) in self.constraints})+
48
49
                  "\nagenda: "+
                  str([(str(s),str(a)) for (s,a) in self.agenda])+
50
                  "\ncausal_links:"+
51
52
                  str({(str(a0), str(g), str(a2))}) for (a0,g,a2) in
                      self.causal_links}) )
```

extract_plan constructs a total order of action instances that is consistent with the partial order.

```
_stripsPOP.py — (continued) _
54
       def extract_plan(self):
           """returns a total ordering of the action instances consistent
55
           with the constraints.
56
           raises IndexError if there is no choice.
57
58
           sorted_acts = []
59
           other_acts = set(self.actions)
60
           while other_acts:
61
               a = random.choice([a for a in other_acts if
62
                        all(((a1,a) not in self.constraints) for a1 in
63
                            other_acts)])
64
               sorted_acts.append(a)
               other_acts.remove(a)
65
           return sorted_acts
66
```

POP_search_from_STRIPS is an instance of a search problem. As such, we need to define the start nodes, the goal, and the neighbors of a node.

```
stripsPOP.py — (continued)

from display import Displayable

class POP_search_from_STRIPS(Search_problem, Displayable):

def __init__(self,planning_problem):
```

```
72
           Search_problem.__init__(self)
73
           self.planning_problem = planning_problem
           self.start = Action_instance("start")
74
           self.finish = Action_instance("finish")
75
76
       def is_goal(self, node):
77
78
           return node.agenda == []
79
       def start_node(self):
           constraints = {(self.start, self.finish)}
81
           agenda = [(g, self.finish) for g in
               self.planning_problem.goal.items()]
           return POP_node([self.start,self.finish], constraints, agenda, [] )
83
```

The *neighbors* method is a coroutine that enumerates the neighbors of a given node.

```
_stripsPOP.py — (continued) _
        def neighbors(self, node):
85
            """enumerates the neighbors of node"""
86
            self.display(3, "finding neighbors of\n", node)
87
            if node.agenda:
88
               subgoal,act1 = node.agenda[0]
                self.display(2, "selecting", subgoal, "for", act1)
90
               new_agenda = node.agenda[1:]
91
               for act0 in node.actions:
92
                   if (self.achieves(act0, subgoal) and
                      self.possible((act0,act1),node.constraints)):
94
                       self.display(2," reusing",act0)
95
                       consts1 =
96
                            self.add_constraint((act0,act1),node.constraints)
                       new_clink = (act0, subgoal, act1)
97
                       new_cls = node.causal_links + [new_clink]
                       for consts2 in
99
                            self.protect_cl_for_actions(node.actions,consts1,new_clink):
                           yield Arc(node,
100
                                     POP_node(node.actions,consts2,new_agenda,new_cls),
101
102
                                     cost=0)
               for a0 in self.planning_problem.prob_domain.actions: #a0 is an
103
                    action
                   if self.achieves(a0, subgoal):
104
                       #a0 acheieves subgoal
105
                       new_a = Action_instance(a0)
106
                       self.display(2," using new action",new_a)
107
                       new_actions = node.actions + [new_a]
108
109
                       consts1 =
                            self.add_constraint((self.start,new_a),node.constraints)
                       consts2 = self.add_constraint((new_a,act1),consts1)
110
                       new_agenda1 = new_agenda + [(pre,new_a) for pre in
111
                            a0.preconds.items()]
                       new_clink = (new_a, subgoal, act1)
112
```

Given a casual link (*a*0, *subgoal*, *a*1), the following method protects the causal link from each action in *actions*. Whenever an action deletes *subgoal*, the action needs to be before *a*0 or after *a*1. This method enumerates all constraints that result from protecting the causal link from all actions.

```
__stripsPOP.py — (continued) __
        def protect_cl_for_actions(self, actions, constrs, clink):
120
            """yields constraints that extend constrs and
121
            protect causal link (a0, subgoal, a1)
122
            for each action in actions
123
            ,, ,, ,,
124
            if actions:
125
                a = actions[0]
126
                rem_actions = actions[1:]
127
                a0, subgoal, a1 = clink
128
                if a != a0 and a != a1 and self.deletes(a, subgoal):
129
                    if self.possible((a,a0),constrs):
130
                        new_const = self.add_constraint((a,a0),constrs)
131
                       for e in
132
                            self.protect_cl_for_actions(rem_actions,new_const,clink):
                            yield e # could be "yield from"
                    if self.possible((a1,a),constrs):
133
                       new_const = self.add_constraint((a1,a),constrs)
134
                        for e in
135
                            self.protect_cl_for_actions(rem_actions,new_const,clink):
                            yield e
                else:
136
                    for e in
137
                        self.protect_cl_for_actions(rem_actions,constrs,clink):
                        yield e
138
            else:
                yield constrs
139
```

Given an action *act*, the following method protects all the causal links in *clinks* from *act*. Whenever *act* deletes *subgoal* from some causal link (*a*0, *subgoal*, *a*1), the action *act* needs to be before *a*0 or after *a*1. This method enumerates all constraints that result from protecting the causal links from *act*.

```
def protect_all_cls(self, clinks, act, constrs):
"""yields constraints that protect all causal links from act"""
if clinks:
```

```
(a0,cond,a1) = clinks[0] # select a causal link
144
145
               rem_clinks = clinks[1:] # remaining causal links
               if act != a0 and act != a1 and self.deletes(act,cond):
146
                   if self.possible((act,a0),constrs):
147
                       new_const = self.add_constraint((act,a0),constrs)
148
                       for e in self.protect_all_cls(rem_clinks,act,new_const):
149
                           yield e
                   if self.possible((a1,act),constrs):
150
                       new_const = self.add_constraint((a1,act),constrs)
151
                       for e in self.protect_all_cls(rem_clinks,act,new_const):
152
                           yield e
               else:
153
                   for e in self.protect_all_cls(rem_clinks,act,constrs): yield
154
155
           else:
               yield constrs
156
```

The following methods check whether an action (or action instance) achieves or deletes some subgoal.

```
_stripsPOP.py — (continued) _
158
        def achieves(self,action,subgoal):
            var,val = subgoal
159
            return var in self.effects(action) and self.effects(action)[var] ==
160
161
        def deletes(self,action,subgoal):
162
            var,val = subgoal
163
            return var in self.effects(action) and self.effects(action)[var] !=
164
165
        def effects(self,action):
166
            """returns the variable:value dictionary of the effects of action.
167
            works for both actions and action instances"""
168
            if isinstance(action, Action_instance):
169
                action = action.action
170
            if action == "start":
171
                return self.planning_problem.initial_state
172
            elif action == "finish":
173
                return {}
174
            else:
175
                return action.effects
176
```

The constraints are represented as a set of pairs closed under transitivity. Thus if (a, b) and (b, c) are the list, then (a, c) must also be in the list. This means that adding a new constraint means adding the implied pairs, but querying whether some order is consistent is quick.

```
def add_constraint(self, pair, const):
    if pair in const:
```

```
180
                return const
181
            todo = [pair]
            newconst = const.copy()
182
            while todo:
183
                x0, x1 = todo.pop()
                newconst.add((x0,x1))
185
186
                for x,y in newconst:
                    if x==x1 and (x0,y) not in newconst:
187
                        todo.append((x0,y))
188
                    if y==x0 and (x,x1) not in newconst:
189
                        todo.append((x,x1))
190
            return newconst
191
192
        def possible(self,pair,constraint):
193
194
            (x,y) = pair
            return (y,x) not in constraint
195
```

Some code for testing:

```
_stripsPOP.py — (continued)
    from searchBranchAndBound import DF_branch_and_bound
197
    from searchMPP import SearcherMPP
198
    from stripsProblem import problem0, problem1, problem2, blocks1, blocks2,
199
        blocks3
200
201
    rplanning0 = POP_search_from_STRIPS(problem0)
    rplanning1 = POP_search_from_STRIPS(problem1)
202
    rplanning2 = POP_search_from_STRIPS(problem2)
203
    searcher0 = DF_branch_and_bound(rplanning0,5)
204
205
    searcher0a = SearcherMPP(rplanning0)
    searcher1 = DF_branch_and_bound(rplanning1,10)
206
    searcher1a = SearcherMPP(rplanning1)
207
    searcher2 = DF_branch_and_bound(rplanning2,10)
208
    searcher2a = SearcherMPP(rplanning2)
209
    # Try one of the following searchers
210
211
    # a = searcher0.search()
   |# a = searcher0a.search()
212
    # a.end().extract_plan() # print a plan found
213
   |# a.end().constraints  # print the constraints
214
   # SearcherMPP.max_display_level = 0 # less detailed display
215
   | # DF_branch_and_bound.max_display_level = 0 # less detailed display
216
217
   | # a = searcher1.search()
218 # a = searcher1a.search()
219 # a = searcher2.search()
220 | # a = searcher2a.search()
```

Supervised Machine Learning

This chapter is the first on machine learning. It covers the following topics:

- Data: how to load it, training and test sets
- Features: many of the features come directly from the data. Sometimes it is useful to construct features, e.g. *height* > 1.9*m* might be a Boolean feature constructed from the real-values feature *height*. The next chapter is about neural networdks and how to learn features; in this chapter we construct explicitly in what is often known a **feature engineering**.
- Learning with no input features: this is the base case of many methods. What should we predict if we have no input features? This provides the base cases for many algorithms (e.g., decision tree algorithm) and baselines that more sophisticated algorithms need to beat. It also provides ways to test various predictors.
- Decision tree learning: one of the classic and simplest learning algorithms, which is the basis of many other algorithms.
- Cross validation and parameter tuning: methods to prevent overfitting.
- Linear regression and classification: other classic and simple techniques that often work well (particularly combined with feature learning or engineering).
- Boosting: combining simpler learning methods to make even better learners

A good source of classic datasets is the UCI Machine Learning Repository [Lichman, 2013] [?]. The SPECT and car datasets are from this repository.

Dataset	# Examples	#Columns	Input Types	Target Type
SPECT	267	23	Boolean	Boolean
IRIS	150	5	real	categorical
carbool	1728	7	categorical/real	real
holiday	32	6	Boolean	Boolean
mail_reading	28	5	Boolean	Boolean
simp_regr	7	2	numerical	numerical

Figure 7.1: Some of the datasets used here. MLR is UCI Machine Learning Repository.

7.1 Representations of Data and Predictions

The code uses the following definitions and conventions:

- A data set is an enumeration of examples.
- An example is a list (or tuple) of values. The values can be numbers or strings.
- A **feature** is a function from examples into the range of the feature. Each feature f also has the following attributes:
 - f.ftype the type of f; one of: "boolean", "categorical", "numeric"
 - f. frange the range of f, represented as a list
 - f.__doc__ the docstring, a string description of f (for printing).

Thus for example, a **Boolean feature** is a function from the examples into $\{False, True\}$. So, if f is a Boolean feature, f. frange == [False, True], and if e is an example, f(e) is either True or False.

```
import math, random, statistics
import csv
from display import Displayable
from utilities import argmax

boolean = [False, True]
```

When creating a data set, we partition the data into a training set (*train*) and a test set (*test*). The target feature is the feature that we are making a prediction of. A dataset ds has the following attributes

- ds. train a list of the training examples
- ds. test a list of the test examples
- ds.target_index the index of the target

- ds.target the feature corresponding to the target (a function as described above)
- ds.input_features a list of the input features

```
\_learnProblem.py — (continued)
   class Data_set(Displayable):
18
       """ A data set consists of a list of training data and a list of test
19
           data.
20
21
       def __init__(self, train, test=None, prob_test=0.30, target_index=0,
22
23
                       header=None, target_type= None, seed=None): #12345):
           """A dataset for learning.
24
           train is a list of tuples representing the training examples
25
           test is the list of tuples representing the test examples
26
           if test is None, a test set is created by selecting each
27
               example with probability prob_test
28
           target_index is the index of the target.
29
               If negative, it counts from right.
30
               If target_index is larger than the number of properties,
31
               there is no target (for unsupervised learning)
32
           header is a list of names for the features
33
           target_type is either None for automatic detection of target type
34
               or one of "numerical", "boolean", "cartegorical"
35
           seed is for random number; None gives a different test set each time
36
37
           if seed: # given seed makes partition consistent from run-to-run
38
              random.seed(seed)
39
           if test is None:
40
               train,test = partition_data(train, prob_test)
41
           self.train = train
42
           self.test = test
43
44
           self.display(1,"Training set has",len(train),"examples. Number of
45
               columns: ",{len(e) for e in train})
           self.display(1, "Test set has", len(test), "examples. Number of
46
               columns: ",{len(e) for e in test})
           self.prob_test = prob_test
47
           self.num_properties = len(self.train[0])
48
           if target_index < 0: #allows for -1, -2, etc.</pre>
49
               self.target_index = self.num_properties + target_index
50
           else:
51
               self.target_index = target_index
52
53
           self.header = header
           self.domains = [set() for i in range(self.num_properties)]
54
           for example in self.train:
               for ind,val in enumerate(example):
56
                   self.domains[ind].add(val)
57
           self.conditions_cache = {} # cache for computed conditions
58
```

```
self.create_features()
59
60
           if target_type:
               self.target.ftype = target_type
           self.display(1,"There are",len(self.input_features),"input
62
               features")
63
64
       def __str__(self):
           if self.train and len(self.train)>0:
65
              return ("Data: "+str(len(self.train))+" training examples, "
66
                      +str(len(self.test))+" test examples, "
                      +str(len(self.train[0]))+" features.")
68
           else:
69
               return ("Data: "+str(len(self.train))+" training examples, "
70
                      +str(len(self.test))+" test examples.")
71
```

A **feature** is a function that takes an example and returns a value in the range of the feature. Each feature has a **frange**, which gives the range of the feature, and an **ftype** that gives the type, one of "boolean", "numeric" or "categorical".

```
\_learnProblem.py — (continued) \_
73
       def create_features(self):
           """create the set of features
74
75
           self.target = None
76
           self.input_features = []
77
           for i in range(self.num_properties):
78
               def feat(e,index=i):
79
                   return e[index]
80
               if self.header:
81
                   feat.__doc__ = self.header[i]
               else:
83
                   feat.__doc__ = "e["+str(i)+"]"
84
               feat.frange = list(self.domains[i])
85
               feat.ftype = self.infer_type(feat.frange)
86
               if i == self.target_index:
87
                   self.target = feat
88
               else:
89
                   self.input_features.append(feat)
90
```

We try to infer the type of each feature. Sometimes this can be wrong, (e.g., when the numbers are really categorical) and so needs to be set explicitly.

```
def infer_type(self,domain):
"""Infers the type of a feature with domain
"""

if all(v in {True,False} for v in domain):
    return "boolean"

if all(isinstance(v,(float,int)) for v in domain):
    return "numeric"
```

```
99 else:
100 return "categorical"
```

7.1.1 Creating Boolean Conditions from Features

Some of the algorithms require Boolean input features or features with range $\{0,1\}$. In order to be able to use these algorithms on datasets that allow for arbitrary domains of input variables, we construct Boolean conditions from the attributes.

There are 3 cases:

- When the range only has two values, we designate one to be the "true" value.
- When the values are all numeric, we assume they are ordered (as opposed to just being some classes that happen to be labelled with numbers) and construct Boolean features for splits of the data. That is, the feature is e[ind] < cut for some value cut. We choose a number of cut values, up to a maximum number of cuts, given by max_num_cuts .
- When the values are not all numeric, we create an indicator function for each value. An indicator function for a value returns true when that value is given and false otherwise. Note that we can't create an indicator function for values that appear in the test set but not in the training set because we haven't seen the test set. For the examples in the test set with a value that doesn't appear in the training set for that feature, the indicator functions all return false.

There is also an option to only create Boolean features from categorical input features.

```
\_learnProblem.py - (continued) \_
        def conditions(self, max_num_cuts=8, categorical_only = False):
102
            """returns a set of boolean conditions from the input features
103
            max_num_cuts is the maximum number of cute for numerical features
104
            categorical_only is true if only categorical features are made
105
                binary
106
            if (max_num_cuts, categorical_only) in self.conditions_cache:
107
                return self.conditions_cache[(max_num_cuts, categorical_only)]
108
            conds = []
109
            for ind,frange in enumerate(self.domains):
110
111
                if ind != self.target_index and len(frange)>1:
                   if len(frange) == 2:
112
                       # two values, the feature is equality to one of them.
113
                       true_val = list(frange)[1] # choose one as true
114
                       def feat(e, i=ind, tv=true_val):
115
                           return e[i]==tv
116
```

```
if self.header:
117
118
                            feat.__doc__ = f"{self.header[ind]}=={true_val}"
                        else:
119
                            feat.__doc__ = f"e[{ind}]=={true_val}"
120
                        feat.frange = boolean
121
                        feat.ftype = "boolean"
122
123
                        conds.append(feat)
                    elif all(isinstance(val,(int,float)) for val in frange):
124
                        if categorical_only: # numerical, don't make cuts
125
                           def feat(e, i=ind):
126
                                return e[i]
127
                            feat.__doc__ = f"e[{ind}]"
128
                           conds.append(feat)
129
                        else:
130
                            # all numeric, create cuts of the data
131
                            sorted_frange = sorted(frange)
132
                            num_cuts = min(max_num_cuts,len(frange))
133
                            cut_positions = [len(frange)*i//num_cuts for i in
134
                                range(1,num_cuts)]
                            for cut in cut_positions:
135
                               cutat = sorted_frange[cut]
136
                                def feat(e, ind_=ind, cutat=cutat):
137
                                   return e[ind_] < cutat</pre>
138
139
                                if self.header:
140
                                    feat.__doc__ = self.header[ind]+"<"+str(cutat)</pre>
141
                                else:
142
                                    feat.__doc__ = "e["+str(ind)+"]<"+str(cutat)</pre>
143
                                feat.frange = boolean
144
                                feat.ftype = "boolean"
145
                               conds.append(feat)
146
                    else:
147
                        # create an indicator function for every value
148
                        for val in frange:
149
                           def feat(e, ind_=ind, val_=val):
150
                                return e[ind_] == val_
151
                            if self.header:
152
                                feat.__doc__ = self.header[ind]+"=="+str(val)
153
                            else:
154
                                feat.__doc__= "e["+str(ind)+"]=="+str(val)
155
                            feat.frange = boolean
156
                            feat.ftype = "boolean"
157
                           conds.append(feat)
158
            self.conditions_cache[(max_num_cuts, categorical_only)] = conds
159
            return conds
160
```

Exercise 7.1 Change the code so that it splits using $e[ind] \le cut$ instead of e[ind] < cut. Check boundary cases, such as 3 elements with 2 cuts. As a test case, make sure that when the range is the 30 integers from 100 to 129, and you want 2 cuts, the resulting Boolean features should be $e[ind] \le 109$ and $e[ind] \le 119$ to make

sure that each of the resulting domains is of equal size.

Exercise 7.2 This splits on whether the feature is less than one of the values in the training set. Sam suggested it might be better to split between the values in the training set, and suggested using

```
cutat = (sorted\_frange[cut] + sorted\_frange[cut - 1])/2
```

Why might Sam have suggested this? Does this work better? (Try it on a few data sets).

7.1.2 Evaluating Predictions

A **predictor** is a function that takes an example and makes a prediction on the values of the target features.

A **loss** takes a prediction and the actual value and returns a non-negative real number; lower is better. The **error** for a dataset is either the mean loss, or sometimes the sum of the losses. When reporting results the mean is usually used. When it is the sum, this will be made explicit.

The function *evaluate_dataset* returns the average error for each example, where the error for each example depends on the evaluation criteria. Here we consider three evaluation criteria, the squared error (average of the square of the difference between the actual and predicted values), absolute errors(average of the absolute difference between the actual and predicted values) and the log loss (the a average negative log-likelihood, which can be interpreted as the number of bits to describe an example using a code based on the prediction treated as a probability).

```
_learnProblem.py — (continued)
        def evaluate_dataset(self, data, predictor, error_measure):
162
            """Evaluates predictor on data according to the error_measure
163
164
            predictor is a function that takes an example and returns a
                    prediction for the target features.
165
            error_measure(prediction,actual) -> non-negative real
166
167
            if data:
168
169
                try:
170
                    value = statistics.mean(error_measure(predictor(e),
                        self.target(e))
                               for e in data)
171
                except ValueError: # if error_measure gives an error
172
                    return float("inf") # infinity
173
                return value
174
175
            else:
                return math.nan # not a number
176
```

The following evaluation criteria are defined. This is defined using a class, Evaluate but no instances will be created. Just use Evaluate.squared_loss etc. (Please keep the __doc__ strings a consistent length as they are used in tables.)

The prediction is either a real value or a {value : probability} dictionary or a list. The actual is either a real number or a key of the prediction.

```
__learnProblem.py — (continued)
    class Evaluate(object):
178
        """A container for the evaluation measures"""
179
180
        def squared_loss(prediction, actual):
181
            "squared loss "
182
            if isinstance(prediction, (list, dict)):
183
                 return (1-prediction[actual])**2 # the correct value is 1
184
            else:
185
                 return (prediction-actual)**2
186
187
        def absolute_loss(prediction, actual):
188
            "absolute loss "
189
            if isinstance(prediction, (list,dict)):
190
                 return abs(1-prediction[actual]) # the correct value is 1
191
192
            else:
                return abs(prediction-actual)
193
194
        def log_loss(prediction, actual):
195
            "log loss (bits)"
196
            try:
197
                if isinstance(prediction, (list, dict)):
198
                     return -math.log2(prediction[actual])
199
200
                    return -math.log2(prediction) if actual==1 else
201
                        -math.log2(1-prediction)
            except ValueError:
202
                return float("inf") # infinity
203
204
        def accuracy(prediction, actual):
205
            "accuracy
206
            if isinstance(prediction, dict):
207
               prev_val = prediction[actual]
208
                return 1 if all(prev_val >= v for v in prediction.values())
209
                    else 0
            if isinstance(prediction, list):
210
               prev_val = prediction[actual]
211
                return 1 if all(prev_val >= v for v in prediction) else 0
212
            else:
213
                return 1 if abs(actual-prediction) <= 0.5 else 0
214
215
        all_criteria = [accuracy, absolute_loss, squared_loss, log_loss]
216
```

7.1.3 Creating Test and Training Sets

The following method partitions the data into a training set and a test set. Note that this does not guarantee that the test set will contain exactly a proportion

of the data equal to *prob_test*.

[An alternative is to use *random.sample()* which can guarantee that the test set will contain exactly a particular proportion of the data. However this would require knowing how many elements are in the data set, which we may not know, as *data* may just be a generator of the data (e.g., when reading the data from a file).]

```
_learnProblem.py — (continued)
    def partition_data(data, prob_test=0.30):
218
         """partitions the data into a training set and a test set, where
219
220
        prob_test is the probability of each example being in the test set.
221
        train = []
222
        test = []
223
        for example in data:
224
225
            if random.random() < prob_test:</pre>
                test.append(example)
226
            else:
227
                train.append(example)
228
        return train, test
229
```

7.1.4 Importing Data From File

A data set is typically loaded from a file. The default here is that it loaded from a CSV (comma separated values) file, although the separator can be changed. This assumes that all lines that contain the separator are valid data (so we only include those data items that contain more than one element). This allows for blank lines and comment lines that do not contain the separator. However, it means that this method is not suitable for cases where there is only one feature.

Note that <code>data_all</code> and <code>data_tuples</code> are generators. <code>data_all</code> is a generator of a list of list of strings. This version assumes that CSV files are simple. The standard <code>csv</code> package, that allows quoted arguments, can be used by uncommenting the line for <code>data_all</code> and commenting out the following line. <code>data_tuples</code> contains only those lines that contain the delimiter (others lines are assumed to be empty or comments), and tries to convert the elements to numbers whenever possible.

This allows for some of the columns to be included; specified by *include_only*. Note that if *include_only* is specified, the target index is the index for the included columns, not the original columns.

```
"""create a dataset from a file
235
236
           separator is the character that separates the attributes
           num_train is a number specifying the first num_train tuples are
237
                training, or None
           prob_test is the probability an example should in the test set (if
238
               num_train is None)
           has_header is True if the first line of file is a header
           target_index specifies which feature is the target
240
           boolean_features specifies whether we want to create Boolean
241
                features
               (if False, it uses the original features).
           categorical is a set (or list) of features that should be treated
243
               as categorical
           target_type is either None for automatic detection of target type
244
                or one of "numerical", "boolean", "cartegorical"
245
           include_only is a list or set of indexes of columns to include
246
247
           self.boolean_features = boolean_features
248
           with open(file_name,'r',newline='') as csvfile:
249
               self.display(1, "Loading", file_name)
250
               # data_all = csv.reader(csvfile,delimiter=separator) # for more
251
                   complicated CSV files
               data_all = (line.strip().split(separator) for line in csvfile)
252
               if include_only is not None:
253
                   data_all = ([v for (i,v) in enumerate(line) if i in
254
                       include_only]
                                  for line in data_all)
255
256
               if has_header:
                   header = next(data_all)
257
               else:
258
                   header = None
259
               data_tuples = (interpret_elements(d) for d in data_all if
260
                   len(d)>1)
               if num_train is not None:
261
                   # training set is divided into training then text examples
262
                   # the file is only read once, and the data is placed in
263
                       appropriate list
                   train = []
264
                   for i in range(num_train): # will give an error if
265
                       insufficient examples
                       train.append(next(data_tuples))
266
                   test = list(data_tuples)
267
                   Data_set.__init__(self, train, test=test,
268
                       target_index=target_index,header=header)
                        # randomly assign training and test examples
269
                   Data_set.__init__(self,data_tuples, test=None,
270
                       prob_test=prob_test,
                                    target_index=target_index, header=header,
271
                                        seed=seed, target_type=target_type)
```

The following class is used for datasets where the training and test are in dif-

ferent files

```
_learnProblem.py — (continued)
273
    class Data_from_files(Data_set):
        def __init__(self, train_file_name, test_file_name, separator=',',
274
                    has_header=False, target_index=0, boolean_features=True,
275
                    categorical=[], target_type= None, include_only=None):
276
            """create a dataset from separate training and file
277
            separator is the character that separates the attributes
278
            num_train is a number specifying the first num_train tuples are
279
                training, or None
            prob_test is the probability an example should in the test set (if
280
                num_train is None)
            has_header is True if the first line of file is a header
281
            target_index specifies which feature is the target
282
            boolean_features specifies whether we want to create Boolean
283
                features
               (if False, it uses the original features).
284
            categorical is a set (or list) of features that should be treated
285
                as categorical
            target_type is either None for automatic detection of target type
286
                or one of "numerical", "boolean", "cartegorical"
287
            include_only is a list or set of indexes of columns to include
288
289
            self.boolean_features = boolean_features
290
            with open(train_file_name, 'r', newline='') as train_file:
291
             with open(test_file_name,'r',newline='') as test_file:
292
               # data_all = csv.reader(csvfile,delimiter=separator) # for more
293
                    complicated CSV files
               train_data = (line.strip().split(separator) for line in
294
                    train_file)
               test_data = (line.strip().split(separator) for line in
295
                    test_file)
               if include_only is not None:
296
                   train_data = ([v for (i,v) in enumerate(line) if i in
297
                       include_only]
                                  for line in train_data)
298
                   test_data = ([v for (i,v) in enumerate(line) if i in
299
                       include_only]
                                  for line in test_data)
300
               if has_header: # this assumes the training file has a header
301
                   and the test file doesn't
                   header = next(train_data)
302
               else:
303
                   header = None
304
305
               train_tuples = [interpret_elements(d) for d in train_data if
                   len(d)>1
               test_tuples = [interpret_elements(d) for d in test_data if
306
                   len(d)>1]
               Data_set.__init__(self,train_tuples, test_tuples,
307
                                    target_index=target_index, header=header)
308
```

When reading from a file all of the values are strings. This next method tries to convert each values into a number (an int or a float) or Boolean, if it is possible.

```
_learnProblem.py — (continued)
    def interpret_elements(str_list):
310
        """make the elements of string list str_list numerical if possible.
311
        Otherwise remove initial and trailing spaces.
312
313
        res = []
314
        for e in str_list:
315
316
            try:
                res.append(int(e))
317
            except ValueError:
318
                try:
319
                    res.append(float(e))
320
                except ValueError:
321
322
                    se = e.strip()
                    if se in ["True","true","TRUE"]:
323
                        res.append[True]
324
                    if se in ["False", "false", "FALSE"]:
325
                        res.append[False]
326
327
                    else:
                        res.append(e.strip())
328
329
        return res
```

7.1.5 Augmented Features

Sometimes we want to augment the features with new features computed from the old features (eg. the product of features). Here we allow the creation of a new dataset from an old dataset but with new features. Note that special cases of these are **kernel**s; mapping the original feature space into a new space, which allow a neat way to do learning in the augmented space (the "kernel trick"). This is beyond the scope of AIPython; those interested should read about support vector machines.

A feature is a function of examples. A unary feature constructor takes a feature and returns a new feature. A binary feature combiner takes two features and returns a new feature.

```
337
338
            self.orig_dataset = dataset
            self.unary_functions = unary_functions
339
            self.binary_functions = binary_functions
340
            self.include_orig = include_orig
341
            self.target = dataset.target
342
343
            Data_set.__init__(self,dataset.train, test=dataset.test,
                             target_index = dataset.target_index)
344
345
        def create_features(self):
346
            if self.include_orig:
347
                self.input_features = self.orig_dataset.input_features.copy()
348
            else:
349
                self.input_features = []
350
            for u in self.unary_functions:
351
                for f in self.orig_dataset.input_features:
352
                   self.input_features.append(u(f))
353
            for b in self.binary_functions:
354
                for f1 in self.orig_dataset.input_features:
355
                   for f2 in self.orig_dataset.input_features:
356
                       if f1 != f2:
357
                           self.input_features.append(b(f1,f2))
358
```

The following are useful unary feature constructors and binary feature combiner.

```
_learnProblem.py — (continued) _
    def square(f):
360
        """a unary feature constructor to construct the square of a feature
361
362
        def sq(e):
363
            return f(e)**2
364
        sq.\_doc\_= f.\_doc\_+"**2"
365
        return sq
366
367
    def power_feat(n):
368
        """given n returns a unary feature constructor to construct the nth
369
            power of a feature.
        e.g., power_feat(2) is the same as square, defined above
370
371
        def fn(f,n=n):
372
            def pow(e,n=n):
373
                return f(e)**n
374
            pow.__doc__ = f.__doc__+"**"+str(n)
375
            return pow
376
377
        return fn
378
    def prod_feat(f1,f2):
379
        """a new feature that is the product of features f1 and f2
380
381
        def feat(e):
382
```

```
383
            return f1(e)*f2(e)
        feat.__doc__ = f1.__doc__+"*"+f2.__doc__
384
        return feat
385
386
    def eq_feat(f1,f2):
387
        """a new feature that is 1 if f1 and f2 give same value
388
389
        def feat(e):
390
            return 1 if f1(e)==f2(e) else 0
391
        feat.__doc__ = f1.__doc__+"=="+f2.__doc__
392
        return feat
393
394
    def neq_feat(f1,f2):
395
        """a new feature that is 1 if f1 and f2 give different values
396
397
        def feat(e):
398
            return 1 if f1(e)!=f2(e) else 0
399
        feat.__doc__ = f1.__doc__+"!="+f2.__doc__
400
        return feat
401
```

Example:

```
# from learnProblem import Data_set_augmented,prod_feat
# data = Data_from_file('data/holiday.csv', num_train=19, target_index=-1)
# data = Data_from_file('data/iris.data', prob_test=1/3, target_index=-1)
# Data = Data_from_file('data/SPECT.csv', prob_test=0.5, target_index=0)
# dataplus = Data_set_augmented(data,[],[prod_feat])
# dataplus = Data_set_augmented(data,[],[prod_feat,neq_feat])
```

Exercise 7.3 For symmetric properties, such as product, we don't need both f1 * f2 as well as f2 * f1 as extra properties. Allow the user to be able to declare feature constructors as symmetric (by associating a Boolean feature with them). Change *construct_features* so that it does not create both versions for symmetric combiners.

7.2 Generic Learner Interface

A **learner** takes a dataset (and possibly other arguments specific to the method). To get it to learn, we call the *learn*() method. This implements *Displayable* so that we can display traces at multiple levels of detail (and perhaps with a GUI).

```
def learn(self):
    """returns a predictor, a function from a tuple to a value for the
    target feature
    """
raise NotImplementedError("learn") # abstract method
```

7.3 Learning With No Input Features

If we make the same prediction for each example, what prediction should we make? This can be used as a naive baseline; if a more sophisticated method does not do better than this, it is not useful. This also provides the base case for some methods, such as decision-tree learning.

To run demo to compare different prediction methods on various evaluation criteria, in folder "aipython", load "learnNoInputs.py", using e.g., ipython -i learnNoInputs.py, and it prints some test results.

There are a few alternatives as to what could be allowed in a prediction:

- a point prediction, where we are only allowed to predict one of the values of the feature. For example, if the values of the feature are {0,1} we are only allowed to predict 0 or 1 or of the values are ratings in {1,2,3,4,5}, we can only predict one of these integers.
- a point prediction, where we are allowed to predict any value. For example, if the values of the feature are {0,1} we may be allowed to predict 0.3, 1, or even 1.7. For all of the criteria we can imagine, there is no point in predicting a value greater than 1 or less that zero (but that doesn't mean we can't), but it is often useful to predict a value between 0 and 1. If the values are ratings in {1,2,3,4,5}, we may want to predict 3.4.
- a probability distribution over the values of the feature. For each value v, we predict a non-negative number p_v , such that the sum over all predictions is 1.

For regression, we do the first of these. For classification, we do the second. The third can be implemented by having multiple indicator functions for the target.

Here are some prediction functions that take in an enumeration of values, a domain, and returns a value or dictionary of {value : prediction}. Note that cmedian returns one of middle values when there are an even number of examples, whereas median gives the average of them (and so cmedian is applicable for ordinals that cannot be considered cardinal values). Similarly, cmode picks one of the values when more than one value has the maximum number of elements.

```
___learnNoInputs.py — Learning ignoring all input features _
   from learnProblem import Evaluate
   import math, random, collections, statistics
13
   import utilities # argmax for (element, value) pairs
14
15
   class Predict(object):
       """The class of prediction methods for a list of values.
16
       Please make the doc strings the same length, because they are used in
17
       Note that we don't need self argument, as we are creating Predict
18
           objects,
       To use call Predict.laplace(data) etc."""
19
20
       ### The following return a distribution over values (for classification)
21
       def empirical(data, domain=[0,1], icount=0):
22
           "empirical dist "
23
           # returns a distribution over values
24
           counts = {v:icount for v in domain}
25
           for e in data:
26
               counts[e] += 1
27
           s = sum(counts.values())
28
           return {k:v/s for (k,v) in counts.items()}
29
30
       def bounded_empirical(data, domain=[0,1], bound=0.01):
31
           "bounded empirical"
32
           return \{k: min(max(v, bound), 1-bound) \text{ for } (k, v) \text{ in }
33
               Predict.empirical(data, domain).items()}
34
       def laplace(data, domain=[0,1]):
35
                           " # for categorical data
           "Laplace
36
           return Predict.empirical(data, domain, icount=1)
37
38
       def cmode(data, domain=[0,1]):
39
                           " # for categorical data
40
           md = statistics.mode(data)
41
42
           return {v: 1 if v==md else 0 for v in domain}
43
       def cmedian(data, domain=[0,1]):
44
                           " # for categorical data
45
46
           md = statistics.median_low(data) # always return one of the values
           return {v: 1 if v==md else 0 for v in domain}
47
48
       ### The following return a single prediction (for regression). domain
49
           is ignored.
50
       def mean(data, domain=[0,1]):
51
           "mean
52
53
           # returns a real number
           return statistics.mean(data)
54
55
```

```
def rmean(data, domain=[0,1], mean0=0, pseudo_count=1):
56
57
           "regularized mean"
           # returns a real number.
58
           # mean0 is the mean to be used for 0 data points
59
           # With mean0=0.5, pseudo_count=2, same as laplace for [0,1] data
60
           # this works for enumerations as well as lists
61
62
           sum = mean0 * pseudo_count
           count = pseudo_count
63
           for e in data:
64
              sum += e
65
               count += 1
66
           return sum/count
67
68
       def mode(data, domain=[0,1]):
69
           "mode
70
           return statistics.mode(data)
71
72
       def median(data, domain=[0,1]):
73
           "median
74
           return statistics.median(data)
75
76
       all = [empirical, mean, rmean, bounded_empirical, laplace, cmode, mode,
77
           median,cmedian]
78
       # The following suggests appropriate predictions as a function of the
79
           target type
       select = {"boolean": [empirical, bounded_empirical, laplace, cmode,
80
           cmedian],
                 "categorical": [empirical, bounded_empirical, laplace, cmode,
81
                     cmedian],
                 "numeric": [mean, rmean, mode, median]}
82
```

7.3.1 Evaluation

To evaluate a point prediction, we first generate some data from a simple (Bernoulli) distribution, where there are two possible values, 0 and 1 for the target feature. Given *prob*, a number in the range [0,1], this generate some training and test data where *prob* is the probability of each example being 1. To generate a 1 with probability *prob*, we generate a random number in range [0,1] and return 1 if that number is less than *prob*. A prediction is computed by applying the predictor to the training data, which is evaluated on the test set. This is repeated num_samples times.

Let's evaluate the predictions of the possible selections according to the different evaluation criteria, for various training sizes.

```
| def test_no_inputs(error_measures = Evaluate.all_criteria, num_samples=10000, test_size=10 ):
| for train_size in [1,2,3,4,5,10,20,100,1000]:
```

```
results = {predictor: {error_measure: 0 for error_measure in
85
               error_measures}
                          for predictor in Predict.all}
           for sample in range(num_samples):
87
                prob = random.random()
                training = [1 if random.random()prob else 0 for i in
89
                    range(train_size)]
                test = [1 if random.random()prob else 0 for i in
90
                    range(test_size)]
                for predictor in Predict.all:
91
                    prediction = predictor(training)
92
                    for error_measure in error_measures:
93
                        results[predictor][error_measure] += sum(
94
                            error_measure(prediction,actual) for actual in
                            test)/test_size
           print(f"For training size {train_size}:")
95
           print(" Predictor\t","\t".join(error_measure.__doc__ for
96
                                            error_measure in
97
                                                error_measures), sep="\t")
           for predictor in Predict.all:
98
               print(f"
                         {predictor.__doc__}",
99
                         "\t".join("{:.7f}".format(results[predictor][error\_measure]/num\_samples)
100
                                      for error_measure in
101
                                          error_measures), sep="\t")
102
    if __name__ == "__main__":
103
       test_no_inputs()
104
```

Exercise 7.4 Which predictor works best for low counts when the error is

- (a) Squared error
- (b) Absolute error
- (c) Log loss

You may need to try this a few times to make sure your answer is supported by the evidence. Does the difference from the other methods get more or less as the number of examples grow?

Exercise 7.5 Suggest some other predictions that only take the training data. Does your method do better than the given methods? A simple way to get other predictors is to vary the threshold of bounded average, or to change the pseodocounts of the Laplace method (use other numbers instead of 1 and 2).

7.4 Decision Tree Learning

To run the decision tree learning demo, in folder "aipython", load "learnDT.py", using e.g., ipython -i learnDT.py, and it prints some test results. To try more examples, copy and paste the commented-out commands at the bottom of that file. This requires Python 3 with matplotlib.

The decision tree algorithm does binary splits, and assumes that all input features are binary functions of the examples. It stops splitting if there are no input features, the number of examples is less than a specified number of examples or all of the examples agree on the target feature.

```
__learnDT.py — Learning a binary decision tree _
   from learnProblem import Learner, Evaluate
   from learnNoInputs import Predict
13
   import math
14
   class DT_learner(Learner):
15
       def __init__(self,
16
                   dataset,
17
                   split_to_optimize=Evaluate.log_loss, # to minimize for at
18
                        each split
                    leaf_prediction=Predict.empirical, # what to use for value
19
                        at leaves
                    train=None,
                                                  # used for cross validation
20
                   max_num_cuts=8, # maximum number of conditions to split a
21
                        numerical feature into
                    gamma=1e-7 , # minimum improvement needed to expand a node
22
                   min_child_weight=10):
23
           self.dataset = dataset
24
           self.target = dataset.target
25
           self.split_to_optimize = split_to_optimize
26
           self.leaf_prediction = leaf_prediction
27
           self.max_num_cuts = max_num_cuts
28
           self.gamma = gamma
29
           self.min_child_weight = min_child_weight
30
           if train is None:
31
               self.train = self.dataset.train
32
33
               self.train = train
34
35
       def learn(self, max_num_cuts=8):
36
           """learn a decision tree"""
37
           return self.learn_tree(self.dataset.conditions(self.max_num_cuts),
               self.train)
```

The main recursive algorithm, takes in a set of input features and a set of training data. It first decides whether to split. If it doesn't split, it makes a point prediction, ignoring the input features.

It splits unless:

- there are no more input features
- there are fewer examples than min_number_examples,
- all the examples agree on the value of the target, or
- the best split makes all examples in the same partition.

If it splits, it selects the best split according to the evaluation criterion (assuming that is the only split it gets to do), and returns the condition to split on (in the variable *split*) and the corresponding partition of the examples.

```
_learnDT.py — (continued) _
       def learn_tree(self, conditions, data_subset):
40
           """returns a decision tree
41
           conditions is a set of possible conditions
42
           data_subset is a subset of the data used to build this (sub)tree
43
44
           where a decision tree is a function that takes an example and
45
           makes a prediction on the target feature
46
47
           self.display(2,f"learn_tree with {len(conditions)} features and
48
               {len(data_subset)} examples")
           split, partn = self.select_split(conditions, data_subset)
49
           if split is None: # no split; return a point prediction
              prediction = self.leaf_value(data_subset, self.target.frange)
51
               self.display(2,f"leaf prediction for {len(data_subset)}
                  examples is {prediction}")
              def leaf_fun(e):
53
                  return prediction
54
              leaf_fun.__doc__ = str(prediction)
55
              leaf_fun.num_leaves = 1
56
               return leaf_fun
57
           else: # a split succeeded
58
              false_examples, true_examples = partn
59
               rem_features = [fe for fe in conditions if fe != split]
               self.display(2,"Splitting on",split.__doc__,"with examples
61
                  split",
                            len(true_examples),":",len(false_examples))
62
              true_tree = self.learn_tree(rem_features,true_examples)
              false_tree = self.learn_tree(rem_features,false_examples)
64
              def fun(e):
                  if split(e):
66
                      return true_tree(e)
                  else:
68
                      return false_tree(e)
              #fun = lambda e: true_tree(e) if split(e) else false_tree(e)
70
               fun.__doc__ = ("if "+split.__doc__+" then ("+true_tree.__doc__+
71
                             ") else ("+false_tree.__doc__+")")
72
```

```
fun.num_leaves = true_tree.num_leaves + false_tree.num_leaves
return fun
```

```
_learnDT.py — (continued)
        def leaf_value(self, egs, domain):
76
            return self.leaf_prediction((self.target(e) for e in egs), domain)
77
78
79
        def select_split(self, conditions, data_subset):
            """finds best feature to split on.
80
81
            conditions is a non-empty list of features.
            returns feature, partition
83
            where feature is an input feature with the smallest error as
                 judged by split_to_optimize or
85
                 feature==None if there are no splits that improve the error
86
            partition is a pair (false_examples, true_examples) if feature is
87
88
            best_feat = None # best feature
89
            # best_error = float("inf") # infinity - more than any error
90
            best_error = self.training_error(data_subset)
91
            self.display(3," no split has
92
                error=",best_error,"with",len(conditions),"conditions")
93
            best_partition = None
            for feat in conditions:
94
               false_examples, true_examples = partition(data_subset,feat)
               if
96
                   min(len(false_examples),len(true_examples))>=self.min_child_weight:
                   err = (self.training_error(false_examples)
97
                          + self.training_error(true_examples) + self.gamma)
                   self.display(3," split on",feat.__doc__,"has error=",err,
99
                             "splits
100
                                 into",len(true_examples),":",len(false_examples),"gamma=",self.gamma)
                   if err < best_error:</pre>
101
                       best_feat = feat
102
                       best_error=err
103
104
                       best_partition = false_examples, true_examples
            self.display(2,"best split is on",best_feat.__doc__,
105
                                 "with err=",best_error)
106
107
            return best_feat, best_partition
108
        def training_error(self, data_subset):
109
            """returns sum of losses for dataset (with no more splits)
110
            There a single prediction for all leaves using leaf_prediction
111
112
            It is evaluated using split_to_optimize
113
            prediction = self.leaf_value(data_subset, self.target.frange)
114
            error = sum(self.split_to_optimize(prediction, self.target(e))
115
                        for e in data_subset)
116
117
            return error
```

```
118
119
    def partition(data_subset, feature):
        """partitions the data_subset by the feature"""
120
        true_examples = []
121
        false_examples = []
122
        for example in data_subset:
123
124
            if feature(example):
                true_examples.append(example)
125
            else:
126
                false_examples.append(example)
127
        return false_examples, true_examples
128
```

Test cases:

```
_learnDT.py — (continued) _
    from learnProblem import Data_set, Data_from_file
131
132
    def testDT(data, print_tree=True, selections = None, **tree_args):
133
        """Prints errors and the trees for various evaluation criteria and ways
134
            to select leaves.
        ,, ,, ,,
135
        if selections == None: # use selections suitable for target type
136
           selections = Predict.select[data.target.ftype]
137
        evaluation_criteria = Evaluate.all_criteria
138
        print("Split Choice","Leaf Choice\t","#leaves",'\t'.join(ecrit.__doc__
139
                                                   for ecrit in
140
                                                       evaluation_criteria), sep="\t")
        for crit in evaluation criteria:
141
            for leaf in selections:
142
               tree = DT_learner(data, split_to_optimize=crit,
143
                   leaf_prediction=leaf,
                                     **tree_args).learn()
144
               print(crit.__doc__, leaf.__doc__, tree.num_leaves,
145
                       "\t".join("{:.7f}".format(data.evaluate_dataset(data.test,
146
                           tree, ecrit))
                                    for ecrit in evaluation_criteria), sep="\t")
147
               if print_tree:
148
149
                   print(tree.__doc__)
150
    #DT_learner.max_display_level = 4
151
    if __name__ == "__main__":
152
        # Choose one of the data files
153
        #data=Data_from_file('data/SPECT.csv', target_index=0);
154
            print("SPECT.csv")
        #data=Data_from_file('data/iris.data', target_index=-1);
155
            print("iris.data")
        data = Data_from_file('data/carbool.csv', target_index=-1, seed=123)
156
        #data = Data_from_file('data/mail_reading.csv', target_index=-1);
157
            print("mail_reading.csv")
        #data = Data_from_file('data/holiday.csv', num_train=19,
158
            target_index=-1); print("holiday.csv")
```

testDT(data, print_tree=False)

159

Note that different runs may provide different values as they split the training and test sets differently. So if you have a hypothesis about what works better, make sure it is true for different runs.

Exercise 7.6 The current algorithm does not have a very sophisticated stopping criterion. What is the current stopping criterion? (Hint: you need to look at both *learn_tree* and *select_split*.)

Exercise 7.7 Extend the current algorithm to include in the stopping criterion

- (a) A minimum child size; don't use a split if one of the children has fewer elements that this.
- (b) A depth-bound on the depth of the tree.
- (c) An improvement bound such that a split is only carried out if error with the split is better than the error without the split by at least the improvement bound.

Which values for these parameters make the prediction errors on the test set the smallest? Try it on more than one dataset.

Exercise 7.8 Without any input features, it is often better to include a pseudocount that is added to the counts from the training data. Modify the code so that it includes a pseudo-count for the predictions. When evaluating a split, including pseudo counts can make the split worse than no split. Does pruning with an improvement bound and pseudo-counts make the algorithm work better than with an improvement bound by itself?

Exercise 7.9 Some people have suggested using information gain (which is equivalent to greedy optimization of log loss) as the measure of improvement when building the tree, even in they want to have non-probabilistic predictions in the final tree. Does this work better than myopically choosing the split that is best for the evaluation criteria we will use to judge the final prediction?

7.5 Cross Validation and Parameter Tuning

To run the cross validation demo, in folder "aipython", load "learnCrossValidation.py", using e.g., ipython -i learnCrossValidation.py. Run the examples at the end to produce a graph like Figure 7.15. Note that different runs will produce different graphs, so your graph will not look like the one in the textbook. To try more examples, copy and paste the commented-out commands at the bottom of that file. This requires Python 3 with matplotlib.

The above decision tree overfits the data. One way to determine whether the prediction is overfitting is by cross validation. The code below implements k-fold cross validation, which can be used to choose the value of parameters

to best fit the training data. If we want to use parameter tuning to improve predictions on a particular data set, we can only use the training data (and not the test data) to tune the parameter.

In k-fold cross validation, we partition the training set into k approximately equal-sized folds (each fold is an enumeration of examples). For each fold, we train on the other examples, and determine the error of the prediction on that fold. For example, if there are 10 folds, we train on 90% of the data, and then test on remaining 10% of the data. We do this 10 times, so that each example gets used as a test set once, and in the training set 9 times.

The code below creates one copy of the data, and multiple views of the data. For each fold, *fold* enumerates the examples in the fold, and *fold_complement* enumerates the examples not in the fold.

```
_learnCrossValidation.py — Cross Validation for Parameter Tuning .
   from learnProblem import Data_set, Data_from_file, Evaluate
11
   from learnNoInputs import Predict
   from learnDT import DT_learner
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
14
   import random
15
16
   class K_fold_dataset(object):
17
       def __init__(self, training_set, num_folds):
18
           self.data = training_set.train.copy()
19
           self.target = training_set.target
20
           self.input_features = training_set.input_features
21
22
           self.num_folds = num_folds
           self.conditions = training_set.conditions
23
24
           random.shuffle(self.data)
25
           self.fold_boundaries = [(len(self.data)*i)//num_folds
26
                                  for i in range(0,num_folds+1)]
27
28
       def fold(self, fold_num):
29
           for i in range(self.fold_boundaries[fold_num],
30
                          self.fold_boundaries[fold_num+1]):
31
               yield self.data[i]
32
33
34
       def fold_complement(self, fold_num):
           for i in range(0, self.fold_boundaries[fold_num]):
35
               yield self.data[i]
36
           for i in range(self.fold_boundaries[fold_num+1],len(self.data)):
37
               yield self.data[i]
```

The validation error is the average error for each example, where we test on each fold, and learn on the other folds.

```
def validation_error(self, learner, error_measure, **other_params):
error = 0
try:
```

```
for i in range(self.num_folds):
43
44
                  predictor = learner(self,
                       train=list(self.fold_complement(i)),
                                     **other_params).learn()
45
                  error += sum( error_measure(predictor(e), self.target(e))
46
                                for e in self.fold(i))
47
48
           except ValueError:
               return float("inf") #infinity
49
           return error/len(self.data)
```

The *plot_error* method plots the average error as a function of a the minimum number of examples in decision-tree search, both for the validation set and for the test set. The error on the validation set can be used to tune the parameter — choose the value of the parameter that minimizes the error. The error on the test set cannot be used to tune the parameters; if is were to be used this way then it cannot be used to test.

```
\_learnCrossValidation.py — (continued) \_
        def plot_error(data, criterion=Evaluate.squared_loss,
52
                  leaf_prediction=Predict.empirical, num_folds=5, xscale='linear'):
                 """Plots the error on the validation set and the test set
53
                 with respect to settings of the minimum number of examples.
54
                xscale should be 'log' or 'linear'
55
56
57
                plt.ion()
                plt.xscale(xscale) # change between log and linear scale
58
                plt.xlabel("min_child_weight")
59
                plt.ylabel("average "+criterion.__doc__)
60
                 folded_data = K_fold_dataset(data, num_folds)
61
                verrors = [] # validation errors
62
                 terrors = [] # test set errors
                 for mcw in range(1,len(data.train)+2):
64
                          verrors.append(folded_data.validation_error(DT_learner,criterion,leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction=leaf_predicti
65
                                                                                                                          min_child_weight=mcw))
66
                          tree = DT_learner(data, criterion, leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction,
67
                                   min_child_weight=mcw).learn()
                          terrors.append(data.evaluate_dataset(data.test,tree,criterion))
68
                plt.plot(range(1,len(data.train)+2), verrors, ls='-',color='k',
69
                                             label="validation for "+criterion.__doc__)
70
                plt.plot(range(1,len(data.train)+2), terrors, ls='--',color='r',
71
                                             label="test set for "+criterion.__doc__)
72
                plt.legend()
73
                plt.draw()
74
75
      # The following produces Figure 7.15 of Poole and Mackworth [2017]
76
       # Different runs produce different plots, because folds change.
77
        # data = Data_from_file('data/SPECT.csv',target_index=0)
78
        # plot_error(data) # warning, may take a long time depending on the
                 dataset
     #also try:
```

Note that different runs for the same data will have the same test error, but different validation error. If you rerun the Data_from_file, you will get the new test and training sets, and so the graph will change.

Exercise 7.10 Change the error plot so that it can evaluate the stopping criteria of the exercise of Section 7.6. Which criteria makes the most difference?

7.6 Linear Regression and Classification

Here we give a gradient descent searcher for linear regression and classification.

```
_learnLinear.py — Linear Regression and Classification
   from learnProblem import Learner
   import random, math
13
   class Linear_learner(Learner):
14
       def __init__(self, dataset, train=None,
15
                   learning_rate=0.1, max_init = 0.2,
16
                   squashed=True):
17
           """Creates a gradient descent searcher for a linear classifier.
18
19
           The main learning is carried out by learn()
20
21
           dataset provides the target and the input features
           train provides a subset of the training data to use
22
           number_iterations is the default number of steps of gradient descent
23
           learning_rate is the gradient descent step size
24
           max_init is the maximum absolute value of the initial weights
25
           squashed specifies whether the output is a squashed linear function
26
27
           self.dataset = dataset
           self.target = dataset.target
29
30
           if train==None:
               self.train = self.dataset.train
31
           else:
32
              self.train = train
33
           self.learning_rate = learning_rate
           self.squashed = squashed
35
36
           self.input_features = [one]+dataset.input_features # one is defined
           self.weights = {feat:random.uniform(-max_init,max_init)
37
                          for feat in self.input_features}
38
```

predictor predicts the value of an example from the current parameter settings. *predictor_string* gives a string representation of the predictor.

```
_learnLinear.py — (continued)
40
       def predictor(self,e):
41
           """returns the prediction of the learner on example e"""
42
           linpred = sum(w*f(e) for f,w in self.weights.items())
43
           if self.squashed:
44
               return sigmoid(linpred)
45
           else:
46
47
               return linpred
48
49
       def predictor_string(self, sig_dig=3):
           """returns the doc string for the current prediction function
50
           sig_dig is the number of significant digits in the numbers"""
51
           doc = "+".join(str(round(val,sig_dig))+"*"+feat.__doc__
52
                           for feat,val in self.weights.items())
53
           if self.squashed:
54
               return "sigmoid("+ doc+")"
55
           else:
56
               return doc
57
```

learn is the main algorithm of the learner. It does *num_iter* steps of stochastic gradient descent with batch size = 1. The other parameters it gets from the class.

```
_learnLinear.py — (continued)
       def learn(self,num_iter=100):
59
           for it in range(num_iter):
60
               self.display(2, "prediction=", self.predictor_string())
61
               for e in self.train:
62
                   predicted = self.predictor(e)
63
                   error = self.target(e) - predicted
64
                   update = self.learning_rate*error
65
                   for feat in self.weights:
66
67
                       self.weights[feat] += update*feat(e)
           return self.predictor
68
```

one is a function that always returns 1. This is used for one of the input properties.

$$\frac{1}{1+e^{-x}}$$

The inverse of *sigmoid* is the *logit* function

```
_____learnLinear.py — (continued) _____
```

```
74 def sigmoid(x):
    return 1/(1+math.exp(-x))

75 def logit(x):
    return -math.log(1/x-1)
    sigmoid([x_0, v_2, ...]) returns [v_0, v_2, ...] where
v_i = \frac{exp(x_i)}{\sum_i exp(x_i)}
```

The inverse of *sigmoid* is the *logit* function

```
__learnLinear.py — (continued)
80
   def softmax(xs,domain=None):
       """xs is a list of values, and
81
       domain is the domain (a list) or None if the list should be returned
82
       returns a distribution over the domain (a dict)
83
84
       m = max(xs) # use of m prevents overflow (and all values underflowing)
85
       exps = [math.exp(x-m) for x in xs]
86
       s = sum(exps)
87
       if domain:
88
           return {d:v/s for (d,v) in zip(domain,exps)}
89
90
           return [v/s for v in exps]
91
92
   def indicator(v, domain):
93
       return [1 if v==dv else 0 for dv in domain]
94
```

The following tests the learner on a data sets. Uncomment the other data sets for different examples.

```
____learnLinear.py — (continued) _
    from learnProblem import Data_set, Data_from_file, Evaluate
    from learnProblem import Evaluate
97
    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
98
99
    def test(**args):
100
        data = Data_from_file('data/SPECT.csv', target_index=0)
101
        # data = Data_from_file('data/mail_reading.csv', target_index=-1)
102
        # data = Data_from_file('data/carbool.csv', target_index=-1)
103
104
        learner = Linear_learner(data,**args)
        learner.learn()
105
        print("function learned is", learner.predictor_string())
106
        for ecrit in Evaluate.all_criteria:
107
            test_error = data.evaluate_dataset(data.test, learner.predictor,
108
                ecrit)
                      Average", ecrit.__doc__, "is", test_error)
109
```

The following plots the errors on the training and test sets as a function of the number of steps of gradient descent.

153

```
_learnLinear.py — (continued)
    def plot_steps(learner=None,
111
                  data = None,
112
                  criterion=Evaluate.squared_loss,
113
114
                  step=1,
115
                  num_steps=1000,
                  log_scale=True,
116
                  legend_label=""):
117
        ,, ,, ,,
118
        plots the training and test error for a learner.
119
        data is the
120
        learner_class is the class of the learning algorithm
121
        criterion gives the evaluation criterion plotted on the y-axis
122
        step specifies how many steps are run for each point on the plot
123
        num_steps is the number of points to plot
124
125
126
        if legend_label != "": legend_label+=" "
127
        plt.ion()
128
        plt.xlabel("step")
129
        plt.ylabel("Average "+criterion.__doc__)
130
        if log_scale:
131
132
            plt.xscale('log') #plt.semilogx() #Makes a log scale
        else:
133
134
            plt.xscale('linear')
        if data is None:
135
            data = Data_from_file('data/holiday.csv', num_train=19,
136
                target_index=-1)
            #data = Data_from_file('data/SPECT.csv', target_index=0)
137
            # data = Data_from_file('data/mail_reading.csv', target_index=-1)
138
            # data = Data_from_file('data/carbool.csv', target_index=-1)
139
        #random.seed(None) # reset seed
140
        if learner is None:
141
            learner = Linear_learner(data)
142
        train_errors = []
143
        test_errors = []
144
        for i in range(1,num_steps+1,step):
145
            test_errors.append(data.evaluate_dataset(data.test,
146
                learner.predictor, criterion))
147
            train_errors.append(data.evaluate_dataset(data.train,
                learner.predictor, criterion))
            learner.display(2, "Train error:",train_errors[-1],
148
                             "Test error:",test_errors[-1])
149
            learner.learn(num_iter=step)
150
        plt.plot(range(1,num_steps+1,step),train_errors,ls='-',label=legend_label+"training")
151
        plt.plot(range(1,num_steps+1,step),test_errors,ls='--',label=legend_label+"test")
152
153
        plt.legend()
        plt.draw()
154
        learner.display(1, "Train error:",train_errors[-1],
155
                             "Test error:",test_errors[-1])
156
```

```
157
158
    if __name__ == "__main__":
        test()
159
160
    # This generates the figure
161
    # from learnProblem import Data_set_augmented,prod_feat
162
163
    # data = Data_from_file('data/SPECT.csv', prob_test=0.5, target_index=0)
    # dataplus = Data_set_augmented(data,[],[prod_feat])
164
    # plot_steps(data=data,num_steps=1000)
   | # plot_steps(data=dataplus,num_steps=1000) # warning very slow
166
```

Exercise 7.11 The squashed learner only makes predictions in the range (0,1). If the output values are $\{1,2,3,4\}$ there is no use prediction less than 1 or greater than 4. Change the squashed learner so that it can learn values in the range (1,4). Test it on the file 'data/car.csv'.

The following plots the prediction as a function of the function of the number of steps of gradient descent. We first define a version of *range* that allows for real numbers (integers and floats).

```
_learnLinear.py — (continued)
167
    def arange(start, stop, step):
        """returns enumeration of values in the range [start,stop) separated by
168
            step.
169
        like the built-in range(start, stop, step) but allows for integers and
        Note that rounding errors are expected with real numbers. (or use
170
            numpy.arange)
171
        while start<stop:</pre>
172
            vield start
173
            start += step
174
175
    def plot_prediction(data,
176
                   learner = None,
177
                   minx = 0,
178
179
                   maxx = 5,
                   step_size = 0.01, # for plotting
180
                   label = "function"):
181
        plt.ion()
182
        plt.xlabel("x")
183
        plt.ylabel("y")
184
        if learner is None:
185
            learner = Linear_learner(data, squashed=False)
186
        learner.learning_rate=0.001
187
188
        learner.learn(100)
        learner.learning_rate=0.0001
189
        learner.learn(1000)
190
        learner.learning_rate=0.00001
191
        learner.learn(10000)
192
        learner.display(1, "function learned is", learner.predictor_string(),
193
```

```
"error=",data.evaluate_dataset(data.train, learner.predictor,
194
                      Evaluate.squared_loss))
        plt.plot([e[0] for e in data.train],[e[-1] for e in
195
            data.train], "bo", label="data")
        plt.plot(list(arange(minx,maxx,step_size)),[learner.predictor([x])
196
                                            for x in
197
                                                 arange(minx, maxx, step_size)],
                                           label=label)
198
        plt.legend()
199
        plt.draw()
200
```

```
_learnLinear.py — (continued) _
    from learnProblem import Data_set_augmented, power_feat
202
    def plot_polynomials(data,
203
                   learner_class = Linear_learner,
204
                   max_degree = 5,
205
                   minx = 0,
206
                   maxx = 5,
207
                   num_iter = 100000,
208
                   learning_rate = 0.0001,
209
                   step_size = 0.01, # for plotting
210
211
        plt.ion()
212
        plt.xlabel("x")
213
        plt.ylabel("y")
214
215
        plt.plot([e[0] for e in data.train],[e[-1] for e in
            data.train], "ko", label="data")
        x_values = list(arange(minx, maxx, step_size))
216
        line_styles = ['-','--','-.',':']
217
        colors = ['0.5','k','k','k','k']
218
        for degree in range(max_degree):
219
            data_aug = Data_set_augmented(data,[power_feat(n) for n in
220
                range(1,degree+1)],
                                             include_orig=False)
221
            learner = learner_class(data_aug, squashed=False)
222
            learner.learning_rate = learning_rate
223
            learner.learn(num_iter)
224
            learner.display(1, "For degree", degree,
225
                         "function learned is", learner.predictor_string(),
226
                         "error=",data.evaluate_dataset(data.train,
227
                             learner.predictor, Evaluate.squared_loss))
            ls = line_styles[degree % len(line_styles)]
228
229
            col = colors[degree % len(colors)]
            plt.plot(x_values,[learner.predictor([x]) for x in x_values],
230
                linestyle=ls, color=col,
                             label="degree="+str(degree))
231
            plt.legend(loc='upper left')
232
            plt.draw()
233
234
   # Try:
235
```

7.6.1 Batched Stochastic Gradient Descent

This implements batched stochastic gradient descent. If the batch size is 1, it can be simplified by not storing the differences in *d*, but applying them directly; this would the be equivalent to the original code!

This overrides the learner *Linear Learner*. Note that the comparison with regular gradient descent is unfair as the number of updates per step is not the same. (How could it me made more fair?)

```
__learnLinearBSGD.py — Linear Learner with Batched Stochastic Gradient Descent _
   from learnLinear import Linear_learner
11
   import random, math
12
13
   class Linear_learner_bsgd(Linear_learner):
14
       def __init__(self, *args, batch_size=10, **kargs):
15
           Linear_learner.__init__(self, *args, **kargs)
16
           self.batch_size = batch_size
17
18
       def learn(self,num_iter=None):
19
           if num_iter is None:
20
               num_iter = self.number_iterations
21
           batch_size = min(self.batch_size, len(self.train))
22
           d = {feat:0 for feat in self.weights}
23
           for it in range(num_iter):
24
               self.display(2,"prediction=",self.predictor_string())
25
               for e in random.sample(self.train, batch_size):
26
                  predicted = self.predictor(e)
27
                  error = self.target(e) - predicted
28
                  update = self.learning_rate*error
29
                  for feat in self.weights:
30
                       d[feat] += update*feat(e)
31
               for feat in self.weights:
32
                  self.weights[feat] += d[feat]
33
                  dΓfeat]=0
34
35
           return self.predictor
36
37
   # from learnLinear import plot_steps
   # from learnProblem import Data_from_file
38
   # data = Data_from_file('data/holiday.csv', target_index=-1)
   # learner = Linear_learner_bsgd(data)
   # plot_steps(learner = learner, data=data)
41
42
```

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```
43  # to plot polynomials with batching (compare to SGD)
44  # from learnLinear import plot_polynomials
45  # plot_polynomials(learner_class = Linear_learner_bsgd)
```

7.7 Boosting

The following code implements functional gradient boosting for regression.

A Boosted dataset is created from a base dataset by subtracting the prediction of the offset function from each example. This does not save the new dataset, but generates it as needed. The amount of space used is constant, independent on the size of the data set.

```
_learnBoosting.py — Functional Gradient Boosting
   from learnProblem import Data_set, Learner, Evaluate
   from learnNoInputs import Predict
   from learnLinear import sigmoid
13
   import statistics
14
15
   class Boosted_dataset(Data_set):
16
       def __init__(self, base_dataset, offset_fun):
17
           """new dataset which is like base_dataset,
18
             but offset_fun(e) is subtracted from the target of each example e
19
20
           self.base_dataset = base_dataset
21
           self.offset fun = offset fun
22
           self.train = base_dataset.train
23
           self.test = base_dataset.test
24
           #Data_set.__init__(self, base_dataset.train, base_dataset.test,
25
                             base_dataset.prob_test, base_dataset.target_index)
26
27
           #def create_features(self):
28
           """creates new features - called at end of Data_set.init()
29
           defines a new target
30
31
           self.input_features = self.base_dataset.input_features
32
           def newout(e):
33
               return self.base_dataset.target(e) - self.offset_fun(e)
34
35
           newout.frange = self.base_dataset.target.frange
           newout.ftype = self.infer_type(newout.frange)
36
37
           self.target = newout
38
       def conditions(self,*args,**nargs):
39
           return self.base_dataset.conditions(*args, **nargs)
40
```

A boosting learner takes in a dataset and a base learner, and returns a new predictor. The base learner, takes a dataset, and returns a Learner object.

```
def __init__(self, dataset, base_learner_class):
43
44
           self.dataset = dataset
           self.base_learner_class = base_learner_class
45
           mean = sum(self.dataset.target(e)
46
                     for e in self.dataset.train)/len(self.dataset.train)
47
           self.predictor = lambda e:mean # function that returns mean for
48
               each example
           self.predictor.__doc__ = "lambda e:"+str(mean)
49
           self.offsets = [self.predictor] # list of base learners
50
           self.predictors = [self.predictor] # list of predictors
51
           self.errors = [data.evaluate_dataset(data.test, self.predictor,
               Evaluate.squared_loss)]
           self.display(1,"Predict mean test set mean squared loss=",
53
               self.errors[0] )
54
55
       def learn(self, num_ensembles=10):
56
           """adds num_ensemble learners to the ensemble.
57
           returns a new predictor.
58
59
           for i in range(num_ensembles):
60
              train_subset = Boosted_dataset(self.dataset, self.predictor)
              learner = self.base_learner_class(train_subset)
62
              new_offset = learner.learn()
63
              self.offsets.append(new_offset)
64
              def new_pred(e, old_pred=self.predictor, off=new_offset):
                  return old_pred(e)+off(e)
66
              self.predictor = new_pred
67
              self.predictors.append(new_pred)
              self.errors.append(data.evaluate_dataset(data.test,
69
                   self.predictor, Evaluate.squared_loss))
              self.display(1, "After Iteration", len(self.offsets)-1, "test set
70
                  mean squared loss=", self.errors[-1])
71
           return self.predictor
```

For testing, *sp_DT_learner* returns a learner that predicts the mean at the leaves and is evaluated using squared loss. It can also take arguments to change the default arguments for the trees.

```
_learnBoosting.py — (continued)
73
   # Testing
74
   from learnDT import DT learner
75
   from learnProblem import Data_set, Data_from_file
76
77
   def sp_DT_learner(split_to_optimize=Evaluate.squared_loss,
78
79
                               leaf_prediction=Predict.mean,**nargs):
       """Creates a learner with different default arguments replaced by
           **nargs
81
       def new_learner(dataset):
82
```

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```
return DT_learner(dataset,split_to_optimize=split_to_optimize,
83
84
                                  leaf_prediction=leaf_prediction, **nargs)
        return new_learner
85
86
    data = Data_from_file('data/car.csv', target_index=-1)
   #data = Data_from_file('data/SPECT.csv', target_index=0, seed=62) #123)
88
    #data = Data_from_file('data/mail_reading.csv', target_index=-1)
    #data = Data_from_file('data/holiday.csv', num_train=19, target_index=-1)
    learner10 = Boosting_learner(data,
        sp_DT_learner(split_to_optimize=Evaluate.squared_loss,
        leaf_prediction=Predict.mean, min_child_weight=10))
    #learner7 = Boosting_learner(data, sp_DT_learner(0.7))
92
    #learner5 = Boosting_learner(data, sp_DT_learner(0.5))
   #predictor9 =learner9.learn(10)
    #for i in learner9.offsets: print(i.__doc__)
95
    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
96
97
    def plot_boosting_trees(data, steps=10, mcws=[40,20,10,5,2,1], gammas=
98
        [0.01, 0.1, 1, 10]:
        # to reduce clutter uncomment one of following two lines
99
        #mcws=[10]
100
        gammas=[0.01]
        learners = [(mcw, gamma, Boosting_learner(data,
102
            sp_DT_learner(min_child_weight=mcw, gamma=gamma)))
103
                       for mcw in mcws
                       for gamma in gammas]
104
        plt.ion()
105
        plt.xscale('linear') # change between log and linear scale
106
        plt.xlabel("number of trees")
107
        plt.ylabel("mean squared loss")
108
        markers = (m+c for c in ['k', 'g', 'r', 'b', 'm', 'c', 'y'] for m in
109
            ['-','--','-.',':'])
        for (mcw,gamma,learner) in learners:
110
111
           learner.learn(steps)
           plt.plot(range(steps+1), learner.errors, next(markers),
112
                        label=f"min_child_weight={mcw}, gamma={gamma}")
113
        plt.legend()
114
        plt.draw()
115
    # plot_boosting_trees(data)
117
```

7.7.1 Gradient Tree Boosting

The following implements gradient Boosted trees for classification. If you want to use this gradient tree boosting for a real problem, we recommend using **XGBoost** [Chen and Guestrin, 2016].

GTB_learner subclasses DT-learner. The method learn_tree is used unchanged. DT-learner assumes that the value at the leaf is the prediction of the leaf, thus leaf_value needs to be overridden. It also assumes that all nodes

at a leaf have the same prediction, but in GBT the elements of a leaf can have different values, depending on the previous trees. Thus training_error also needs to be overridden.

```
_learnBoosting.py — (continued)
    class GTB_learner(DT_learner):
119
        def __init__(self, dataset, number_trees, lambda_reg=1, gamma=0,
120
            **dtargs):
            DT_learner.__init__(self, dataset,
121
                split_to_optimize=Evaluate.log_loss, **dtargs)
            self.number_trees = number_trees
            self.lambda_reg = lambda_reg
123
124
            self.gamma = gamma
            self.trees = []
125
126
        def learn(self):
127
            for i in range(self.number_trees):
128
                tree =
129
                    self.learn_tree(self.dataset.conditions(self.max_num_cuts),
                    self.train)
               self.trees.append(tree)
130
               self.display(1,f"""Iteration {i} treesize = {tree.num_leaves}
131
                    train logloss={
132
                   self.dataset.evaluate_dataset(self.dataset.train,
                       self.gtb_predictor, Evaluate.log_loss)
                       } test logloss={
133
                   self.dataset.evaluate_dataset(self.dataset.test,
134
                       self.gtb_predictor, Evaluate.log_loss)}""")
            return self.gtb_predictor
135
136
        def gtb_predictor(self, example, extra=0):
137
            """prediction for example,
138
            extras is an extra contribution for this example being considered
139
140
            return sigmoid(sum(t(example) for t in self.trees)+extra)
141
142
        def leaf_value(self, egs, domain=[0,1]):
143
            """value at the leaves for examples egs
144
            domain argument is ignored"""
145
            pred_acts = [(self.gtb_predictor(e), self.target(e)) for e in egs]
146
            return sum(a-p for (p,a) in pred_acts) /(sum(p*(1-p) for (p,a) in
147
                pred_acts)+self.lambda_reg)
148
149
        def training_error(self, data_subset):
150
            """returns sum of losses for dataset (with no more splits)
151
152
            leaf_val = self.leaf_value(data_subset)
153
            error = sum(Evaluate.log_loss(self.gtb_predictor(e,leaf_val),
154
                self.target(e))
```

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```
for e in data_subset) + self.gamma
return error

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learnBoosting.py — (continued)

# data = Data_from_file('data/carbool.csv', target_index=-1, seed=123)
# gtb_learner = GTB_learner(data, 10)
# gtb_learner.learn()
```

Neural Networks and Deep Learning

Warning: this is not meant to be an efficient implementation of deep learning. If you want to do serious machine learning on meduim-sized or large data, we would recommend Keras (https://keras.io) [Chollet, 2021] or PyTorch (https://pytorch.org), which are very efficient, particularly on GPUs. They are, however, black boxes. The AIPython neural network code should be seen like a car engine made of glass; you can see exactly how it works, even if it is not fast.

We have made parameters that are the same as in Keras have the same names.

8.1 Layers

A neural network is built from layers.

This provides a modular implementation of layers. Layers can easily be stacked in many configurations. A layer needs to implement a function to compute the output values from the inputs, a way to back-propagate the error, and perhaps update its parameters.

```
| Items | Item
```

```
"""Given a list of inputs, outputs will produce a list of length
17
               num_outputs.
           nn is the neural network this layer is part of
18
           num outputs is the number of outputs for this layer.
19
           ,, ,, ,,
20
           self.nn = nn
21
22
           self.num_inputs = nn.num_outputs # output of nn is the input to
               this layer
           if num_outputs:
23
              self.num_outputs = num_outputs
24
           else:
25
               self.num_outputs = nn.num_outputs # same as the inputs
26
27
       def output_values(self,input_values):
28
           """Return the outputs for this layer for the given input values.
29
           input_values is a list of the inputs to this layer (of length
30
               num_inputs)
           returns a list of length self.num_outputs
31
32
           raise NotImplementedError("output_values") # abstract method
33
34
       def backprop(self,errors):
35
           """Backpropagate the errors on the outputs
36
           errors is a list of errors for the outputs (of length
37
               self.num_outputs).
           Returns the errors for the inputs to this layer (of length
               self.num_inputs).
39
           You can assume that this is only called after corresponding
40
               output_values,
              which can remember information information required for the
41
                  back-propagation.
42
43
           raise NotImplementedError("backprop") # abstract method
44
45
       def update(self):
           """updates parameters after a batch.
46
           overridden by layers that have parameters
47
48
49
           pass
```

A linear layer maintains an array of weights. self.weights[o][i] is the weight between input i and output o. A 1 is added to the end of the inputs. The default initialization is the Glorot uniform initializer [Glorot and Bengio, 2010], which is the default in Keras. An alternative is to provide a limit, in which case the values are selected uniformly in the range [-limit, limit]. Keras treats the bias separately, and defaults to zero.

```
class Linear_complete_layer(Layer):

"""a completely connected layer"""
```

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```
def __init__(self, nn, num_outputs, limit=None):
53
54
           """A completely connected linear layer.
           nn is a neural network that the inputs come from
55
           num_outputs is the number of outputs
56
           the random initialization of parameters is in range [-limit,limit]
57
58
59
           Layer.__init__(self, nn, num_outputs)
           if limit is None:
60
              limit =math.sqrt(6/(self.num_inputs+self.num_outputs))
61
           # self.weights[o][i] is the weight between input i and output o
62
           self.weights = [[random.uniform(-limit, limit) if inf <</pre>
63
               self.num_inputs else 0
                            for inf in range(self.num_inputs+1)]
64
                          for outf in range(self.num_outputs)]
65
           self.delta = [[0 for inf in range(self.num_inputs+1)]
66
                          for outf in range(self.num_outputs)]
67
68
       def output_values(self,input_values):
69
           """Returns the outputs for the input values.
70
           It remembers the values for the backprop.
71
72
73
           Note in self.weights there is a weight list for every output,
           so wts in self.weights loops over the outputs.
74
           The bias is the *last* value of each list in self.weights.
75
76
77
           self.inputs = input_values + [1]
           return [sum(w*val for (w,val) in zip(wts,self.inputs))
78
79
                      for wts in self.weights]
80
       def backprop(self,errors):
81
           """Backpropagate the errors, updating the weights and returning the
82
               error in its inputs.
83
           input_errors = [0]*(self.num_inputs+1)
84
           for out in range(self.num_outputs):
85
86
              for inp in range(self.num_inputs+1):
                  input_errors[inp] += self.weights[out][inp] * errors[out]
87
                  self.delta[out][inp] += self.inputs[inp] * errors[out]
88
           return input_errors[:-1] # remove the error for the "1"
89
90
       def update(self):
91
           """updates parameters after a batch"""
92
           batch_step_size = self.nn.learning_rate / self.nn.batch_size
93
           for out in range(self.num_outputs):
94
              for inp in range(self.num_inputs+1):
                  self.weights[out][inp] -= batch_step_size *
96
                       self.delta[out][inp]
97
                  self.delta[out][inp] = 0
```

The standard activation function for hidden nodes is the **ReLU**.

```
_learnNN.py — (continued)
    class ReLU_layer(Layer):
99
        """Rectified linear unit (ReLU) f(z) = max(0, z).
100
101
        The number of outputs is equal to the number of inputs.
102
103
        def __init__(self, nn):
           Layer.__init__(self, nn)
104
105
106
        def output_values(self,input_values):
            """Returns the outputs for the input values.
107
108
            It remembers the input values for the backprop.
109
            self.input_values = input_values
110
            self.outputs= [max(0,inp) for inp in input_values]
111
            return self.outputs
112
113
114
        def backprop(self,errors):
            """Returns the derivative of the errors"""
115
            return [e if inp>0 else 0 for e,inp in zip(errors,
116
                self.input_values)]
```

One of the old standards for the activation function for hidden layers is the sigmoid. It is included here to experiment with.

```
_learnNN.py — (continued)
    class Sigmoid_layer(Layer):
118
        """sigmoids of the inputs.
119
120
        The number of outputs is equal to the number of inputs.
        Each output is the sigmoid of its corresponding input.
121
122
        def __init__(self, nn):
123
            Layer.__init__(self, nn)
124
125
        def output_values(self,input_values):
126
            """Returns the outputs for the input values.
127
            It remembers the output values for the backprop.
128
129
            self.outputs= [sigmoid(inp) for inp in input_values]
130
            return self.outputs
131
132
        def backprop(self,errors):
133
            """Returns the derivative of the errors"""
134
            return [e*out*(1-out) for e,out in zip(errors, self.outputs)]
135
```

8.2 Feedforward Networks

```
def __init__(self, dataset, validation_proportion = 0.1,
138
            learning_rate=0.001):
            """Creates a neural network for a dataset,
139
            layers is the list of layers
140
141
            self.dataset = dataset
142
143
            self.output_type = dataset.target.ftype
            self.learning_rate = learning_rate
144
            self.input_features = dataset.input_features
145
            self.num_outputs = len(self.input_features)
146
            validation_num = int(len(self.dataset.train)*validation_proportion)
147
            if validation num > 0:
148
               random.shuffle(self.dataset.train)
149
                self.validation_set = self.dataset.train[-validation_num:]
150
                self.training_set = self.dataset.train[:-validation_num]
151
            else:
152
                self.validation_set = []
153
                self.training_set = self.dataset.train
154
            self.layers = []
155
            self.bn = 0 # number of batches run
156
157
        def add_layer(self,layer):
158
            """add a layer to the network.
159
            Each layer gets number of inputs from the previous layers outputs.
160
161
            self.layers.append(layer)
162
            self.num_outputs = layer.num_outputs
163
164
        def predictor(self,ex):
165
            """Predicts the value of the first output for example ex.
166
167
            values = [f(ex) for f in self.input_features]
168
            for layer in self.layers:
169
170
                values = layer.output_values(values)
            return sigmoid(values[0]) if self.output_type =="boolean" \
171
                  else softmax(values, self.dataset.target.frange) if
172
                       self.output_type == "categorical" \
                  else values[0]
173
174
        def predictor_string(self):
175
            return "not implemented"
176
```

The *learn* method learns a network.

```
def learn(self, epochs=5, batch_size=32, num_iter = None):
"""Learns parameters for a neural network using stochastic gradient decent.

epochs is the number of times through the data (on average)
batch_size is the maximum size of each batch
num_iter is the number of iterations over the batches
```

```
- overrides epochs if provided (allows for fractions of epochs)
183
184
            self.batch_size = min(batch_size, len(self.training_set)) # don't
185
                have batches bigger than training size
            if num_iter is None:
186
                num_iter = (epochs * len(self.training_set)) // self.batch_size
187
            \verb|#self.display(0,"Batch\t","\t".join(criterion.\_doc\_\_ for criterion)|
188
                in Evaluate.all_criteria))
            for i in range(num_iter):
189
               batch = random.sample(self.training_set, self.batch_size)
190
                for e in batch:
191
                   # compute all outputs
192
                   values = [f(e) for f in self.input_features]
193
                   for layer in self.layers:
194
                       values = layer.output_values(values)
195
                   # backpropagate
196
                   predicted = [sigmoid(v) for v in values] if self.output_type
197
                       == "boolean"\
                                else softmax(values) if self.output_type ==
198
                                    "categorical"\
                                else values
199
                   actuals = indicator(self.dataset.target(e),
200
                       self.dataset.target.frange) \
                               if self.output_type == "categorical"\
201
202
                               else [self.dataset.target(e)]
                   errors = [pred-obsd for (obsd,pred) in
203
                       zip(actuals,predicted)]
204
                   for layer in reversed(self.layers):
                       errors = layer.backprop(errors)
205
               # Update all parameters in batch
206
               for layer in self.layers:
207
                   layer.update()
208
                self.bn+=1
209
            self.display(0,self.bn,"\t",
210
                           "\t\t".join("{:.4f}".format(
211
                                  self.dataset.evaluate_dataset(self.validation_set,
212
                                       self.predictor, criterion))
                                  for criterion in Evaluate.all_criteria),
213
                                      sep="")
```

8.3 Improved Optimization

8.3.1 Momentum

```
nn is a neural network that the inputs come from
219
220
            num_outputs is the number of outputs
            max_init is the maximum value for random initialization of
221
                parameters
            vel0 is the initial velocity for each parameter
222
223
224
            Linear_complete_layer.__init__(self, nn, num_outputs, limit=limit)
            # self.weights[o][i] is the weight between input i and output o
225
            self.velocity = [[vel0 for inf in range(self.num_inputs+1)]
226
                           for outf in range(self.num_outputs)]
227
            self.alpha = alpha
228
            self.epsilon = epsilon
229
230
        def update(self):
231
            """updates parameters after a batch"""
232
            batch_step_size = self.nn.learning_rate / self.nn.batch_size
233
            for out in range(self.num_outputs):
234
               for inp in range(self.num_inputs+1):
235
                   self.velocity[out][inp] = self.alpha*self.velocity[out][inp]
236
                       - batch_step_size * self.delta[out][inp]
                   self.weights[out][inp] += self.velocity[out][inp]
237
238
                   self.delta[out][inp] = 0
```

8.3.2 RMS-Prop

```
__learnNN.py — (continued) _
    class Linear_complete_layer_RMS_Prop(Linear_complete_layer):
240
        """a completely connected layer"""
241
        def __init__(self, nn, num_outputs, limit=None, rho=0.9, epsilon =
242
            1e-07):
            """A completely connected linear layer.
243
            nn is a neural network that the inputs come from
244
            num_outputs is the number of outputs
245
            max_init is the maximum value for random initialization of
246
                parameters
247
248
            Linear_complete_layer.__init__(self, nn, num_outputs, limit=limit)
            # self.weights[o][i] is the weight between input i and output o
249
            self.ms = [[0 for inf in range(self.num_inputs+1)]
250
                           for outf in range(self.num_outputs)]
251
            self.rho = rho
252
            self.epsilon = epsilon
253
254
        def update(self):
255
            """updates parameters after a batch"""
256
            for out in range(self.num_outputs):
257
               for inp in range(self.num_inputs+1):
258
                   gradient = self.delta[out][inp] / self.nn.batch_size
259
                   self.ms[out][inp] = self.rho*self.ms[out][inp]+ (1-self.rho)
260
                       * gradient**2
```

8.3.3 Examples

The following constructs a neural network with one hidden layer. The hidden layer has width 2 with a ReLU activation function. The output layer used a sigmoid

```
___learnNN.py — (continued) __
    #data = Data_from_file('data/mail_reading.csv', target_index=-1)
264
    #data = Data_from_file('data/mail_reading_consis.csv', target_index=-1)
    data = Data_from_file('data/SPECT.csv', prob_test=0.5, target_index=0)
266
    #data = Data_from_file('data/iris.data', prob_test=0.2, target_index=-1) #
267
        150 examples approx 120 test + 30 test
    #data = Data_from_file('data/if_x_then_y_else_z.csv', num_train=8,
268
        target_index=-1) # not linearly sep
    #data = Data_from_file('data/holiday.csv', target_index=-1) #,
269
        num_train=19)
    #data = Data_from_file('data/processed.cleveland.data', target_index=-1)
270
    random.seed(None)
271
272
273
    nn1 = NN(data)
    nn1.add_layer(Linear_complete_layer(nn1,3))
274
    #nn1.add_layer(Sigmoid_layer(nn1)) # comment this or the next
275
    nn1.add_layer(ReLU_layer(nn1))
276
    #nn1.add_layer(Linear_complete_layer(nn1,1)) # when using
277
        output_type="boolean"
    nn1.add_layer(Linear_complete_layer(nn1,1)) # when using
278
        output_type="categorical"
    #nn1.learn(epochs = 100)
279
280
    nn_r1 = NN(data)
281
    nn_r1.add_layer(Linear_complete_layer_RMS_Prop(nn_r1,3))
282
    #nn_r1.add_layer(Sigmoid_layer(nn_r1)) # comment this or the next
283
    nn_r1.add_layer(ReLU_layer(nn_r1))
284
    #nn_r1.add_layer(Linear_complete_layer(nn_r1,1)) # when using
285
        output_type="boolean"
    nn_r1.add_layer(Linear_complete_layer_RMS_Prop(nn_r1,1)) # when using
286
        output_type="categorical"
    \#nn_r1.learn(epochs = 100)
287
288
289
290
    nnm1 = NN(data)
    nnm1.add_layer(Linear_complete_layer_momentum(nnm1,3))
291
    #nnm1.add_layer(Sigmoid_layer(nnm1)) # comment this or the next
    nnm1.add_layer(ReLU_layer(nnm1))
293
    #nnm1.add_layer(Linear_complete_layer(nnm1,1)) # when using
        output_type="boolean"
```

```
nnm1.add_layer(Linear_complete_layer_momentum(nnm1,1)) # when using
295
        output_type="categorical"
    #nnm1.learn(epochs = 100)
296
297
298
    nn2 = NN(data) #"boolean") #
299
300
    nn2.add_layer(Linear_complete_layer_RMS_Prop(nn2,2))
    nn2.add_layer(ReLU_layer(nn2))
301
    nn2.add_layer(Linear_complete_layer_RMS_Prop(nn2,1)) # when using
        output_type="categorical"
303
    nn3 = NN(data) #"boolean") #
304
    nn3.add_layer(Linear_complete_layer_RMS_Prop(nn3,5))
305
    nn3.add_layer(ReLU_layer(nn3))
306
    nn3.add_layer(Linear_complete_layer_RMS_Prop(nn3,1)) # when using
307
        output_type="categorical"
308
    nn0 = NN(data,learning_rate=0.05)
309
    nn0.add_layer(Linear_complete_layer(nn0,1)) # categorical linear regression
310
    #nn0.add_layer(Linear_complete_layer_RMS_Prop(nn0,1)) # categorical linear
311
        regression
```

Plotting.

```
_learnNN.py — (continued)
    from learnLinear import plot_steps
    from learnProblem import Evaluate
314
315
    # To show plots:
316
    # plot_steps(learner = nn1, data = data, criterion=Evaluate.log_loss,
317
        num_steps=10000, log_scale=False, legend_label="nn1")
    # plot_steps(learner = nn2, data = data, criterion=Evaluate.log_loss,
318
        num_steps=10000, log_scale=False, legend_label="nn2")
    # plot_steps(learner = nn3, data = data, criterion=Evaluate.log_loss,
319
        num_steps=100000, log_scale=False, legend_label="nn3")
    # plot_steps(learner = nn0, data = data, criterion=Evaluate.log_loss,
320
        num_steps=10000, log_scale=False, legend_label="nn0")
321
    # plot_steps(learner = nn0, data = data, criterion=Evaluate.accuracy,
322
        num_steps=10000, log_scale=False, legend_label="nn0")
    # plot_steps(learner = nn1, data = data, criterion=Evaluate.accuracy,
323
        num_steps=10000, log_scale=False, legend_label="nn1")
    # plot_steps(learner = nn2, data = data, criterion=Evaluate.accuracy,
324
        num_steps=10000, log_scale=False, legend_label="nn2")
    # plot_steps(learner = nn3, data = data, criterion=Evaluate.accuracy,
325
        num_steps=10000, log_scale=False, legend_label="nn3")
326
327
    # Print some training examples
328
    #for eg in random.sample(data.train,10): print(eg,nn1.predictor(eg))
329
330
```

```
331
    # Print some test examples
332
    #for eg in random.sample(data.test,10): print(eg,nn1.predictor(eg))
333
    # To see the weights learned in linear layers
334
    # nn1.layers[0].weights
335
    # nn1.layers[2].weights
336
337
    # Print test:
338
    # for e in data.train: print(e,nn0.predictor(e))
339
340
    def test(data, hidden_widths = [5], epochs=100,
341
                optimizers = [Linear_complete_layer,
342
                           Linear_complete_layer_momentum,
343
                               Linear_complete_layer_RMS_Prop]):
        data.display(0, "Batch\t", "\t".join(criterion.__doc__ for criterion in
344
            Evaluate.all_criteria))
        for optimizer in optimizers:
345
            nn = NN(data)
346
            for width in hidden_widths:
347
               nn.add_layer(optimizer(nn,width))
348
               nn.add_layer(ReLU_layer(nn))
349
            if data.target.ftype == "boolean":
350
               nn.add_layer(optimizer(nn,1))
351
            else:
352
               error(f"Not implemented: {data.output_type}")
353
            nn.learn(epochs)
354
```

The following tests on MNIST. The original files are from http://yann.lecun.com/exdb/mnist/. This code assumes you use the csv files from https://pjreddie.com/projects/mnist-in-csv/, and put them in the directory ../MNIST/. Note that this is **very** inefficient; you would be better to use Keras or Pytorch. There are 28*28 = input units and 512 hidden units, which makes 401,408 parameters for the lowest linear layer. So don't be surprised when it takes many hours.

```
__learnNN.py — (continued)
358
    # Simplified version: (6000 training instances)
    # data_mnist = Data_from_file('../MNIST/mnist_train.csv', prob_test=0.9,
359
        target_index=0, boolean_features=False, target_type="categorical")
360
    # Full version:
361
    # data_mnist = Data_from_files('../MNIST/mnist_train.csv',
362
        '../MNIST/mnist_test.csv', target_index=0, boolean_features=False,
        target_type="categorical")
363
    # nn_mnist = NN(data_mnist, validation_proportion = 0.02,
364
        learning_rate=0.001) #validation set = 1200
    # nn_mnist.add_layer(Linear_complete_layer_RMS_Prop(nn_mnist,512));
365
        nn_mnist.add_layer(ReLU_layer(nn_mnist));
        nn_mnist.add_layer(Linear_complete_layer_RMS_Prop(nn_mnist,10))
    # start_time = time.perf_counter();nn_mnist.learn(epochs=1,
366
        batch_size=128);end_time = time.perf_counter();print("Time:", end_time
```

```
- start_time, "seconds") #1 epoch

# determine test error:

# data_mnist.evaluate_dataset(data_mnist.test, nn_mnist.predictor,

Evaluate.accuracy)

# Print some random predictions:

# for eg in random.sample(data_mnist.test,10):

print(data_mnist.target(eg),nn_mnist.predictor(eg),nn_mnist.predictor(eg)[data_mnist.target(eg)]
```

Exercise 8.1 In the definition of *nn*1 above, for each of the following, first hypothesize what will happen, then test your hypothesis, then explain whether you testing confirms your hypothesis or not. Test it for more than one data set, and use more than one run for each data set.

- (a) Which fits the data better, having a sigmoid layer or a ReLU layer after the first linear layer?
- (b) Which is faster, having a sigmoid layer or a ReLU layer after the first linear layer?
- (c) What happens if you have both the sigmoid layer and then a ReLU layer after the first linear layer and before the second linear layer?
- (d) What happens if you have neither the sigmoid layer nor a ReLU layer after the first linear layer?
- (e) What happens if you have a ReLU layer then a sigmoid layer after the first linear layer and before the second linear layer?

Exercise 8.2 Do some

Reasoning Under Uncertainty

9.1 Representing Probabilistic Models

A variable consists of a name, a domain and an optional (x,y) position (for displaying). The domain of a variable is a list or a tuple, as the ordering will matter in the representation of factors.

```
__probVariables.py — Probabilistic Variables _
   import random
11
12
   class Variable(object):
13
       """A random variable.
14
       name (string) - name of the variable
15
       domain (list) - a list of the values for the variable.
16
       Variables are ordered according to their name.
17
18
19
       def __init__(self, name, domain, position=None):
20
           """Variable
21
           name a string
22
           domain a list of printable values
23
           position of form (x,y)
24
25
           self.name = name # string
26
           self.domain = domain # list of values
27
           self.position = position if position else (random.random(),
28
                random.random())
           self.size = len(domain)
29
       def __str__(self):
31
           return self.name
32
33
```

```
def __repr__(self):
    return self.name # f"Variable({self.name})"
```

9.2 Representing Factors

A factor is, mathematically, a function from variables into a number; that is given a value for each of its variable, it gives a number. Factors are used for conditional probabilities, utilities in the next chapter, and are explicitly constructed by some algorithms (in particular variable elimination).

A variable assignment, or just **assignment**, is represented as a {variable : value} dictionary. A factor can be evaluated when all of its variables are assigned. The method get_value evaluates the factor for an assignment. The assignment can include extra variables not in the factor. This method needs to be defined for every subclass.

```
__probFactors.py — Factors for graphical models
   from display import Displayable
11
   import math
12
13
   class Factor(Displayable):
14
       nextid=0 # each factor has a unique identifier; for printing
15
16
       def __init__(self,variables):
17
           self.variables = variables # ordered list of variables
18
           self.id = Factor.nextid
19
           self.name = f"f{self.id}"
20
           Factor.nextid += 1
21
22
       def can_evaluate(self,assignment):
23
           """True when the factor can be evaluated in the assignment
24
           assignment is a {variable:value} dict
25
26
           return all(v in assignment for v in self.variables)
27
28
       def get_value(self,assignment):
29
           """Returns the value of the factor given the assignment of values
30
               to variables.
           Needs to be defined for each subclass.
31
           assert self.can_evaluate(assignment)
33
           raise NotImplementedError("get_value") # abstract method
34
```

The method __str__ returns a brief definition (like "f7(X,Y,Z)"). The method to_table returns string representations of a table showing all of the assignments of values to variables, and the corresponding value.

```
"""returns a string representing a summary of the factor"""
37
38
           return f"{self.name}({','.join(str(var) for var in
               self.variables)})"
39
       def to_table(self, variables=None, given={}):
40
           """returns a string representation of the factor.
41
42
           Allows for an arbitrary variable ordering.
           variables is a list of the variables in the factor
43
           (can contain other variables)"""
           if variables==None:
45
              variables = [v for v in self.variables if v not in given]
46
           else: #enforce ordering and allow for extra variables in ordering
47
              variables = [v for v in variables if v in self.variables and v
48
                   not in given]
           head = "\t".join(str(v) for v in variables)
49
           return head+"\n"+self.ass_to_str(variables, given, variables)
50
51
       def ass_to_str(self, vars, asst, allvars):
52
           #print(f"ass_to_str({vars}, {asst}, {allvars})")
53
           if vars:
54
              return "\n".join(self.ass_to_str(vars[1:], {**asst,
55
                   vars[0]:val}, allvars)
                             for val in vars[0].domain)
56
           else:
57
              return ("\t".join(str(asst[var]) for var in allvars)
58
                          + "\t"+"{:.6f}".format(self.get_value(asst)) )
60
61
       __repr__ = __str__
```

9.3 Conditional Probability Distributions

A **conditional probability distribution (CPD)** is a type of factor that represents a conditional probability. A CPD representing $P(X \mid Y_1...Y_k)$ is a type of factor, where given values for X and each Y_i returns a number.

```
_probFactors.py — (continued)
   class CPD(Factor):
63
       def __init__(self, child, parents):
64
           """represents P(variable | parents)
65
           self.parents = parents
67
           self.child = child
68
           Factor.__init__(self, parents+[child])
69
70
       def __str__(self):
71
           """A brief description of a factor using in tracing"""
           if self.parents:
73
               return f"P({self.child}|{','.join(str(p) for p in
                   self.parents)})"
```

```
75 | else:

76 | return f"P({self.child})"

77 |

78 | __repr__ = __str__
```

The simplest CPD is the constant that has probability 1 when the child has the value specified.

9.3.1 Logistic Regression

A **logistic regression** CPD, for Boolean variable *X* represents $P(X=True \mid Y_1 ... Y_k)$, using k+1 real-values weights so

$$P(X=True \mid Y_1 \dots Y_k) = sigmoid(w_0 + \sum_i w_i Y_i)$$

where for Boolean Y_i , True is represented as 1 and False as 0.

```
probFactors.py - (continued)
    from learnLinear import sigmoid, logit
87
88
    class LogisticRegression(CPD):
89
90
        def __init__(self, child, parents, weights):
            """A logistic regression representation of a conditional
91
                probability.
            child is the Boolean (or 0/1) variable whose CPD is being defined
92
93
            parents is the list of parents
            weights is list of parameters, such that weights[i+1] is the weight
94
                for parents[i]
95
            assert len(weights) == 1+len(parents)
96
            CPD.__init__(self, child, parents)
97
            self.weights = weights
98
99
        def get_value(self,assignment):
100
            assert self.can_evaluate(assignment)
101
            prob = sigmoid(self.weights[0]
102
                           + sum(self.weights[i+1]*assignment[self.parents[i]]
103
104
                                     for i in range(len(self.parents))))
            if assignment[self.child]: #child is true
105
                return prob
106
107
            else:
                return (1-prob)
108
```

9.3.2 Noisy-or

A **noisy-or**, for Boolean variable X with Boolean parents $Y_1 \dots Y_k$ is parametrized by k+1 parameters p_0, p_1, \dots, p_k , where each $0 \le p_i \le 1$. The sematics is defined as though there are k+1 hidden variables $Z_0, Z_1 \dots Z_k$, where $P(Z_0) = p_0$ and $P(Z_i \mid Y_i) = p_i$ for $i \ge 1$, and where X is true if and only if $Z_0 \vee Z_1 \vee \dots \vee Z_k$ (where V is "or"). Thus X is false if all of the Z_i are false. Intuitively, Z_0 is the probability of X when all Y_i are false and each Z_i is a noisy (probabilistic) measure that Y_i makes X true, and X only needs one to make it true.

```
_probFactors.py — (continued)
    class NoisyOR(CPD):
110
        def __init__(self, child, parents, weights):
111
            """A noisy representation of a conditional probability.
112
            variable is the Boolean (or 0/1) child variable whose CPD is being
113
            parents is the list of Boolean (or 0/1) parents
114
115
            weights is list of parameters, such that weights[i+1] is the weight
                for parents[i]
116
117
            assert len(weights) == 1+len(parents)
            CPD.__init__(self, child, parents)
118
            self.weights = weights
119
120
        def get_value(self,assignment):
121
            assert self.can_evaluate(assignment)
122
            probfalse = (1-self.weights[0])*math.prod(1-self.weights[i+1]
123
                                                       for i in
124
                                                           range(len(self.parents))
                                                       if
125
                                                           assignment[self.parents[i]])
            if assignment[self.child]:
126
                return 1-probfalse
127
            else:
128
                return probfalse
129
```

9.3.3 Tabular Factors

A **tabular factor** is a factor that represents each assignment of values to variables separately. It is represented by a Python array (or python dict). If the variables are V_1, V_2, \ldots, V_k , the value of $f(V_1 = v_1, V_2 = v_1, \ldots, V_k = v_k)$ is stored in $f[v_1][v_2] \ldots [v_k]$.

If the domain of V_i is $[0, ..., n_i - 1]$ this can be represented as an array. Otherwise we can use a dictionary. Python is nice in that it doesn't care, whether an array or dict is used **except when enumerating the values**; enumerating a dict gives the keys (the variables) but enumerating an array gives the values. So we have to be careful not to do this.

```
from functools import reduce
131
132
    class TabFactor(Factor):
133
134
        def __init__(self, variables, values):
135
            Factor.__init__(self, variables)
136
137
            self.values = values
138
        def get_value(self, assignment):
139
            return self.get_val_rec(self.values, self.variables, assignment)
140
141
        def get_val_rec(self, value, variables, assignment):
142
            if variables == []:
143
              return value
144
            else:
145
                return self.get_val_rec(value[assignment[variables[0]]],
146
                                           variables[1:],assignment)
147
```

Prob is a factor that represents a conditional probability by enumerating all of the values.

```
_probFactors.py — (continued) ___
    class Prob(CPD, TabFactor):
        """A factor defined by a conditional probability table"""
150
        def __init__(self,var,pars,cpt):
151
            """Creates a factor from a conditional probability table, cpt
152
            The cpt values are assumed to be for the ordering par+[var]
153
154
155
            TabFactor.__init__(self,pars+[var],cpt)
            self.child = var
156
            self.parents = pars
157
```

9.4 Graphical Models

A graphical model consists of a set of variables and a set of factors. A belief network is a graphical model where all of the factors represent conditional probabilities. There are some operations (such as pruning variables) which are applicable to belief networks, but are not applicable to more general models. At the moment, we will treat them as the same.

```
probGraphicalModels.py — Graphical Models and Belief Networks

from display import Displayable
from probFactors import CPD
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

class GraphicalModel(Displayable):
"""The class of graphical models.
A graphical model consists of a title, a set of variables and a set of factors.
```

```
vars is a set of variables
factors is a set of factors

def __init__(self, title, variables=None, factors=None):
self.title = title
self.variables = variables
self.factors = factors
```

A **belief network** (also known as a **Bayesian network**) is a graphical model where all of the factors are conditional probabilities, and every variable has a conditional probability of it given its parents. This only checks the first condition, and builds some useful data structures.

```
\_probGraphicalModels.py — (continued) .
   class BeliefNetwork(GraphicalModel):
27
       """The class of belief networks."""
28
29
       def __init__(self, title, variables, factors):
30
           """vars is a set of variables
31
           factors is a set of factors. All of the factors are instances of
32
               CPD (e.g., Prob).
33
           GraphicalModel.__init__(self, title, variables, factors)
34
           assert all(isinstance(f,CPD) for f in factors)
35
           self.var2cpt = {f.child:f for f in factors}
36
           self.var2parents = {f.child:f.parents for f in factors}
37
38
           self.children = {n:[] for n in self.variables}
           for v in self.var2parents:
39
               for par in self.var2parents[v]:
40
                   self.children[par].append(v)
41
           self.topological_sort_saved = None
42
```

The following creates a topological sort of the nodes, where the parents of a node come before the node in the resulting order. This is based on Kahn's algorithm from 1962.

```
___probGraphicalModels.py — (continued)
       def topological_sort(self):
44
           """creates a topological ordering of variables such that the
45
               parents of
           a node are before the node.
46
47
           if self.topological_sort_saved:
48
               return self.topological_sort_saved
49
           next_vars = {n for n in self.var2parents if not self.var2parents[n]
50
           self.display(3,'topological_sort: next_vars',next_vars)
51
           top_order=[]
52
           while next_vars:
53
               var = next_vars.pop()
54
```

```
self.display(3,'select variable',var)
55
              top_order.append(var)
56
              next_vars |= {ch for ch in self.children[var]
57
                                if all(p in top_order for p in
58
                                    self.var2parents[ch])}
              self.display(3,'var_with_no_parents_left',next_vars)
59
60
           self.display(3,"top_order",top_order)
           assert
61
               set(top_order) == set(self.var2parents),(top_order,self.var2parents)
           self.topologicalsort_saved=top_order
62
           return top_order
```

The **show** method uses matplotlib to show the graphical structure of a belief network.

```
_probGraphicalModels.py — (continued) _
       def show(self):
65
           plt.ion() # interactive
66
           ax = plt.figure().gca()
67
           ax.set_axis_off()
69
           plt.title(self.title)
70
           bbox = dict(boxstyle="round4,pad=1.0,rounding_size=0.5")
           for var in reversed(self.topological_sort()):
71
               if self.var2parents[var]:
                   for par in self.var2parents[var]:
73
                       ax.annotate(var.name, par.position, xytext=var.position,
                                       arrowprops={'arrowstyle':'<-'},bbox=bbox,</pre>
75
                                       ha='center')
76
               else:
77
                   x,y = var.position
78
                   plt.text(x,y,var.name,bbox=bbox,ha='center')
79
```

9.4.1 Example Belief Networks

A Chain of 4 Variables

The first example belief network is a simple chain $A \longrightarrow B \longrightarrow C \longrightarrow D$. Please do not change this, as it is the example used for testing.

```
### ProbGraphicalModels.py — (continued)

### From probVariables import Variable

### from probFactors import Prob, LogisticRegression, NoisyOR

### boolean = [False, True]

### A = Variable("A", boolean, position=(0,0.8))

### B = Variable("B", boolean, position=(0.333,0.6))

### C = Variable("C", boolean, position=(0.666,0.4))

### D = Variable("D", boolean, position=(1,0.2))

### ### Prob(A,[],[0.4,0.6])
```

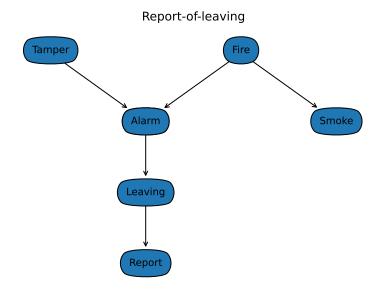


Figure 9.1: The report-of-leaving belief network

```
91 | f_b = Prob(B,[A],[[0.9,0.1],[0.2,0.8]])

92 | f_c = Prob(C,[B],[[0.6,0.4],[0.3,0.7]])

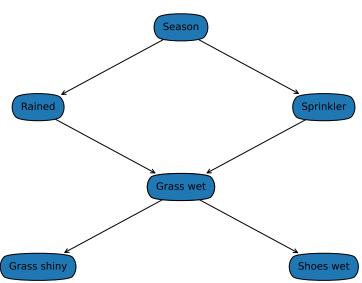
93 | f_d = Prob(D,[C],[[0.1,0.9],[0.75,0.25]])

94 | 95 | bn_4ch = BeliefNetwork("4-chain", {A,B,C,D}, {f_a,f_b,f_c,f_d})
```

Report-of-Leaving Example

The second belief network, bn_report, is Example 8.15 of Poole and Mackworth [2017] (http://artint.info). The output of bn_report.show() is shown in Figure 9.1 of this document.

```
\_probGraphicalModels.py — (continued)
    # Belief network report-of-leaving example (Example 8.15 shown in Figure
        8.3) of
    # Poole and Mackworth, Artificial Intelligence, 2017 http://artint.info
98
99
   Alarm = Variable("Alarm", boolean, position=(0.366,0.633))
100
             Variable("Fire", boolean, position=(0.633,0.9))
101
    Leaving = Variable("Leaving", boolean, position=(0.366,0.366))
102
    Report = Variable("Report", boolean, position=(0.366,0.1))
    Smoke = Variable("Smoke", boolean, position=(0.9,0.633))
104
    Tamper = Variable("Tamper", boolean, position=(0.1,0.9))
105
106
```



Pearl's Sprinkler Example

Figure 9.2: The sprinkler belief network

```
|f_ta = Prob(Tamper,[],[0.98,0.02])
107
   f_fi = Prob(Fire,[],[0.99,0.01])
   f_sm = Prob(Smoke,[Fire],[[0.99,0.01],[0.1,0.9]])
109
    f_al = Prob(Alarm, [Fire, Tamper], [[[0.9999, 0.0001], [0.15, 0.85]], [[0.01,
        0.99], [0.5, 0.5]]])
    f_{1v} = Prob(Leaving, [Alarm], [[0.999, 0.001], [0.12, 0.88]])
111
    f_re = Prob(Report, [Leaving], [[0.99, 0.01], [0.25, 0.75]])
112
113
    bn_report = BeliefNetwork("Report-of-leaving",
114
        {Tamper, Fire, Smoke, Alarm, Leaving, Report},
                                  \{f_{ta}, f_{fi}, f_{sm}, f_{al}, f_{lv}, f_{re}\}
115
```

Sprinkler Example

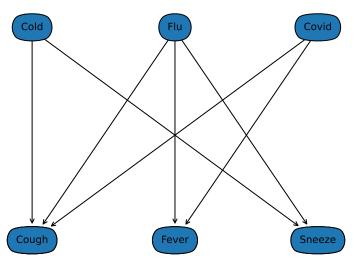
The third belief network is the sprinkler example from Pearl. The output of bn_sprinkler.show() is shown in Figure 9.2 of this document.

```
123
124
    f_season = Prob(Season,[],{'summer':0.5, 'winter':0.5})
    f_sprinkler = Prob(Sprinkler,[Season],{'summer':{'on':0.9,'off':0.1},
125
                                         'winter':{'on':0.01,'off':0.99}})
126
    f_rained = Prob(Rained, [Season], {'summer': [0.9,0.1], 'winter': [0.2,0.8]})
127
    f_wet = Prob(Grass_wet,[Sprinkler,Rained], {'on': [[0.1,0.9],[0.01,0.99]],
128
129
                                              'off':[[0.99,0.01],[0.3,0.7]]})
    f_shiny = Prob(Grass_shiny, [Grass_wet], [[0.95,0.05], [0.3,0.7]])
130
    f_shoes = Prob(Shoes_wet, [Grass_wet], [[0.98,0.02], [0.35,0.65]])
131
132
    bn_sprinkler = BeliefNetwork("Pearl's Sprinkler Example",
133
                            {Season, Sprinkler, Rained, Grass_wet, Grass_shiny,
134
                                Shoes_wet},
                            {f_season, f_sprinkler, f_rained, f_wet, f_shiny,
135
                                f_shoes})
136
    bn_sprinkler_soff = BeliefNetwork("Pearl's Sprinkler Example
137
        (do(Sprinkler=off))",
138
                            {Season, Sprinkler, Rained, Grass_wet, Grass_shiny,
                                Shoes_wet},
                            {f_season, f_rained, f_wet, f_shiny, f_shoes,
139
140
                                Prob(Sprinkler,[],{'on':0,'off':1})})
```

Bipartite Diagnostic Model with Noisy-or

The belief network bn_no1 is a bipartite diagnostic model, with independent diseases, and the symtoms depend on the diseases, where the CPDs are defined using noisy-or. Bipartite means it is in two parts; the diseases are only connected to the symptoms and the symptoms are only connected to the diseases. The output of bn_no1.show() is shown in Figure 9.3 of this document.

```
\_probGraphicalModels.py - (continued) \_
    Cough = Variable("Cough", boolean, (0.1,0.1))
142
    Fever = Variable("Fever", boolean, (0.5,0.1))
143
    Sneeze = Variable("Sneeze", boolean, (0.9,0.1))
    Cold = Variable("Cold", boolean, (0.1,0.9))
145
    Flu = Variable("Flu", boolean, (0.5,0.9))
146
    Covid = Variable("Covid", boolean, (0.9,0.9))
147
148
    p_{cold_{no}} = Prob(Cold, [], [0.9, 0.1])
149
    p_{flu_no} = Prob(Flu, [], [0.95, 0.05])
150
    p_covid_no = Prob(Covid,[],[0.99,0.01])
151
152
    p_cough_no = NoisyOR(Cough, [Cold,Flu,Covid], [0.1, 0.3, 0.2, 0.7])
153
    p_fever_no = NoisyOR(Fever, [
                                       Flu,Covid], [0.01,
154
    p_sneeze_no = NoisyOR(Sneeze, [Cold,Flu ], [0.05, 0.5, 0.2
155
156
    bn_no1 = BeliefNetwork("Bipartite Diagnostic Network (noisy-or)",
157
```



Bipartite Diagnostic Network (noisy-or)

Figure 9.3: A bipartite diagnostic network

```
158
                           {Cough, Fever, Sneeze, Cold, Flu, Covid},
                            {p_cold_no, p_flu_no, p_covid_no, p_cough_no,
159
                                p_fever_no, p_sneeze_no})
160
    # to see the conditional probability of Noisy-or do:
161
    # print(p_cough_no.to_table())
162
163
    # example from box "Noisy-or compared to logistic regression"
164
    # X = Variable("X",boolean)
165
    # w0 = 0.01
166
    # print(NoisyOR(X,[A,B,C,D],[w0, 1-(1-0.05)/(1-w0), 1-(1-0.1)/(1-w0),
167
        1-(1-0.2)/(1-w0), 1-(1-0.2)/(1-w0), ]).to_table(given={X:True}))
```

Bipartite Diagnostic Model with Logistic Regression

The belief network bn_1r1 is a bipartite diagnostic model, with independent diseases, and the symtoms depend on the diseases, where the CPDs are defined using logistic regression. It has the same graphical structure as the previous example (see Figure 9.3). This has the (approximately) the same conditional probabilities as the previous example when zero or one diseases are present. Note that $sigmoid(-2.2) \approx 0.1$

```
_____probGraphicalModels.py — (continued) _____
```

```
169
170
    p_{cold_1r} = Prob(Cold,[],[0.9,0.1])
    p_{flu_1r} = Prob(Flu,[],[0.95,0.05])
171
    p_covid_lr = Prob(Covid,[],[0.99,0.01])
172
173
    p_cough_lr = LogisticRegression(Cough, [Cold,Flu,Covid], [-2.2, 1.67,
174
        1.26, 3.19
    p_fever_lr = LogisticRegression(Fever, [ Flu,Covid], [-4.6,
                                                                          5.02.
175
    p_sneeze_lr = LogisticRegression(Sneeze, [Cold,Flu ], [-2.94, 3.04, 1.79
176
177
    bn_lr1 = BeliefNetwork("Bipartite Diagnostic Network - logistic
178
        regression",
                            {Cough, Fever, Sneeze, Cold, Flu, Covid},
179
                            {p_cold_lr, p_flu_lr, p_covid_lr, p_cough_lr,
180
                                 p_fever_lr, p_sneeze_lr})
181
    # to see the conditional probability of Noisy-or do:
182
    #print(p_cough_lr.to_table())
183
184
    # example from box "Noisy-or compared to logistic regression"
185
    # from learnLinear import sigmoid, logit
186
    # w0=logit(0.01)
187
    # X = Variable("X",boolean)
188
    # print(LogisticRegression(X,[A,B,C,D],[w0, logit(0.05)-w0, logit(0.1)-w0,
        logit(0.2)-w0, logit(0.2)-w0]).to_table(given={X:True}))
    # try to predict what would happen (and then test) if we had
190
   # w0=logit(0.01)
191
```

9.5 Inference Methods

Each of the inference methods implements the query method that computes the posterior probability of a variable given a dictionary of {variable : value} observations. The methods are Displayable because they implement the display method which is currently text-based.

```
_probGraphicalModels.py — (continued)
    from display import Displayable
193
194
    class InferenceMethod(Displayable):
195
        """The abstract class of graphical model inference methods"""
196
        method name = "unnamed" # each method should have a method name
197
198
        def __init__(self,gm=None):
199
            self.gm = gm
200
201
        def query(self, qvar, obs={}):
202
            """returns a {value:prob} dictionary for the query variable"""
203
```

```
raise NotImplementedError("InferenceMethod query") # abstract method
```

We use bn_4ch as the test case, in particular $P(B \mid D = true)$. This needs an error threshold, particularly for the approximate methods, where the default threshold is much too accurate.

```
_probGraphicalModels.py — (continued)
        def testIM(self, threshold=0.0000000001):
206
207
            solver = self(bn_4ch)
            res = solver.query(B,{D:True})
208
            correct_answer = 0.429632380245
209
            assert correct_answer-threshold < res[True] <</pre>
210
                correct_answer+threshold, \
211
                    f"value {res[True]} not in desired range for
                        {self.method_name}"
            print(f"Unit test passed for {self.method_name}.")
212
```

9.6 Recursive Conditioning

An instance of a *RC* object takes in a graphical model. The query method uses recursive conditioning to compute the probability of a query variable given observations on other variables.

```
_probRC.py — Recursive Conditioning for Graphical Models
   import math
   from probGraphicalModels import GraphicalModel, InferenceMethod
   from probFactors import Factor
   from utilities import dict_union
14
15
   class ProbSearch(InferenceMethod):
16
       """The class that queries graphical models using recursive conditioning
17
18
       gm is graphical model to query
19
20
       method_name = "recursive conditioning"
21
22
       def __init__(self,gm=None):
23
           InferenceMethod.__init__(self, gm)
24
           ## self.max_display_level = 3
25
26
       def query(self, qvar, obs={}, split_order=None):
27
           """computes P(qvar | obs) where
28
           qvar is the query variable
29
           obs is a variable:value dictionary
           split_order is a list of the non-observed non-query variables in gm
31
           if qvar in obs:
33
               return {val:(1 if val == obs[qvar] else 0) for val in
34
                   qvar.domain}
```

```
else:
35
             if split_order == None:
36
                  split_order = [v for v in self.gm.variables if (v not in
37
                      obs) and v != qvar]
             unnorm = [self.prob_search(dict_union({qvar:val},obs),
38
                  self.gm.factors, split_order)
39
                           for val in qvar.domain]
             p_obs = sum(unnorm)
40
             return {val:pr/p_obs for val,pr in zip(qvar.domain, unnorm)}
41
```

The following is the naive search-based algorithm. It is exponential in the number of variables, so is not very useful. However, it is simple, and useful to understand before looking at the more complicated algorithm used in the subclass.

```
_probRC.py — (continued) _
       def prob_search(self, context, factors, split_order):
43
           """simple search algorithm
44
           context is a variable: value dictionary
45
           factors is a set of factors
46
           split_order is a list of variables in factors not assigned in
47
               context
           returns sum over variable assignments to variables in split order
48
               or product of factors """
           self.display(2,"calling prob_search,",(context,factors))
49
           if not factors:
50
               return 1
51
           elif to_eval := {fac for fac in factors if
52
               fac.can_evaluate(context)}:
               # evaluate factors when all variables are assigned
53
              self.display(3,"prob_search evaluating factors",to_eval)
54
              val = math.prod(fac.get_value(context) for fac in to_eval)
55
               return val * self.prob_search(context, factors-to_eval,
56
                   split_order)
           else:
57
               total = 0
58
               var = split_order[0]
59
               self.display(3, "prob_search branching on", var)
60
               for val in var.domain:
61
                   total += self.prob_search(dict_union({var:val},context),
62
                       factors, split_order[1:])
               self.display(3, "prob_search branching on", var, "returning",
63
                   total)
              return total
```

The **recursive conditioning** algorithm adds forgetting and caching and recognizing disconnected components. We do this by adding a cache and redefining the recursive search algorithm. In inherits the query method.

```
_____probRC.py — (continued) _____
66 | class ProbRC(ProbSearch):
```

```
def __init__(self,gm=None):
67
68
           self.cache = {(frozenset(), frozenset()):1}
           ProbSearch.__init__(self,gm)
69
70
        def prob_search(self, context, factors, split_order):
71
            """ returns the number \sum_{split_order} \prod_{factors} given
72
                assignments in context
           context is a variable: value dictionary
73
           factors is a set of factors
74
           split_order is a list of variables in factors that are not assigned
75
                in context
           returns sum over variable assignments to variables in split_order
76
                       of the product of factors
77
            ,, ,, ,,
78
           self.display(3,"calling rc,",(context,factors))
79
           ce = (frozenset(context.items()), frozenset(factors)) # key for the
80
                cache entry
           if ce in self.cache:
81
               self.display(3,"rc cache lookup",(context,factors))
82
               return self.cache[ce]
83
            if not factors: # no factors; needed if you don't have forgetting
    #
84
        and caching
                return 1
    #
85
           elif vars_not_in_factors := {var for var in context
86
                                           if not any(var in fac.variables for
87
                                               fac in factors)}:
                # forget variables not in any factor
88
               self.display(3,"rc forgetting variables", vars_not_in_factors)
               return self.prob_search({key:val for (key,val) in
90
                   context.items()
                                  if key not in vars_not_in_factors},
91
                               factors, split_order)
92
           elif to_eval := {fac for fac in factors if
93
                fac.can_evaluate(context)):
               # evaluate factors when all variables are assigned
94
               self.display(3,"rc evaluating factors",to_eval)
95
               val = math.prod(fac.get_value(context) for fac in to_eval)
               if val == 0:
97
                   return 0
98
               else:
99
                return val * self.prob_search(context, {fac for fac in factors
100
                                                      if fac not in to_eval},
101
                                                          split_order)
           elif len(comp := connected_components(context, factors,
102
                split_order)) > 1:
               # there are disconnected components
103
               self.display(3, "splitting into connected components", comp, "in
104
                   context",context)
               return(math.prod(self.prob_search(context,f,eo) for (f,eo) in
105
                   comp))
```

```
106
            else:
107
                assert split_order, "split_order should not be empty to get
                    here"
                total = 0
108
                var = split_order[0]
109
                self.display(3, "rc branching on", var)
110
111
                for val in var.domain:
                    total += self.prob_search(dict_union({var:val},context),
112
                        factors, split_order[1:])
                self.cache[ce] = total
113
                self.display(2, "rc branching on", var, "returning", total)
114
                return total
115
```

connected_components returns a list of connected components, where a connected component is a set of factors and a set of variables, where the graph that connects variables and factors that involve them is connected. The connected components are built one at a time; with a current connected component. At all times factors is partitioned into 3 disjoint sets:

- component_factors containing factors in the current connected component where all factors that share a variable are already in the component
- factors_to_check containing factors in the current connected component where potentially some factors that share a variable are not in the component; these need to be checked
- other_factors the other factors that are not (yet) in the connected component

```
_probRC.py — (continued)
    def connected_components(context, factors, split_order):
117
        """returns a list of (f,e) where f is a subset of factors and e is a
118
            subset of split_order
        such that each element shares the same variables that are disjoint from
119
            other elements.
120
        other_factors = set(factors) #copies factors
121
        factors_to_check = {other_factors.pop()} # factors in connected
122
            component still to be checked
        component_factors = set() # factors in first connected component
123
            already checked
        component_variables = set() # variables in first connected component
124
        while factors_to_check:
125
126
            next_fac = factors_to_check.pop()
            component_factors.add(next_fac)
127
            new_vars = set(next_fac.variables) - component_variables -
                context.keys()
            component_variables |= new_vars
129
            for var in new_vars:
130
```

```
factors_to_check |= {f for f in other_factors if var in
131
                    f.variables}
               other_factors -= factors_to_check # set difference
132
        if other_factors:
133
            return ( [(component_factors,[e for e in split_order if e in
134
                component_variables])]
135
                   + connected_components(context, other_factors, [e for e in
                       split_order
                                                                      if e not in
136
                                                                          component_variables])
        else:
137
            return [(component_factors, split_order)]
138
       Testing:
                                   \_probRC.py — (continued) \_
    from probGraphicalModels import bn_4ch, A,B,C,D,f_a,f_b,f_c,f_d
    bn_4chv = ProbRC(bn_4ch)
```

```
140
141
    ## bn_4chv.query(A,{})
142
    ## bn_4chv.query(D,{})
143
    ## InferenceMethod.max_display_level = 3 # show more detail in displaying
144
    ## InferenceMethod.max_display_level = 1 # show less detail in displaying
145
    ## bn_4chv.query(A,{D:True},[C,B])
146
    ## bn_4chv.query(B,{A:True,D:False})
147
148
    from probGraphicalModels import
149
        bn_report,Alarm,Fire,Leaving,Report,Smoke,Tamper
    bn_reportRC = ProbRC(bn_report) # answers queries using recursive
150
        conditioning
    ## bn_reportRC.query(Tamper,{})
151
    ## InferenceMethod.max_display_level = 0 # show no detail in displaying
152
    ## bn_reportRC.query(Leaving,{})
153
    ## bn_reportRC.query(Tamper,{},
154
        split_order=[Smoke,Fire,Alarm,Leaving,Report])
    ## bn_reportRC.query(Tamper, {Report:True})
155
    ## bn_reportRC.query(Tamper,{Report:True,Smoke:False})
156
    ## Note what happens to the cache when these are called in turn:
157
    ## bn_reportRC.query(Tamper,{Report:True},
158
        split_order=[Smoke,Fire,Alarm,Leaving])
    ## bn_reportRC.query(Smoke,{Report:True},
159
        split_order=[Tamper,Fire,Alarm,Leaving])
160
    from probGraphicalModels import bn_sprinkler, Season, Sprinkler, Rained,
161
        Grass_wet, Grass_shiny, Shoes_wet
    bn_sprinklerv = ProbRC(bn_sprinkler)
162
    ## bn_sprinklerv.query(Shoes_wet,{})
163
    ## bn_sprinklerv.query(Shoes_wet,{Rained:True})
164
    ## bn_sprinklerv.query(Shoes_wet,{Grass_shiny:True})
165
    ## bn_sprinklerv.query(Shoes_wet,{Grass_shiny:False,Rained:True})
166
167
```

```
from probGraphicalModels import bn_no1, bn_lr1, Cough, Fever, Sneeze,
168
        Cold, Flu, Covid
    bn_no1v = ProbRC(bn_no1)
169
    bn_1r1v = ProbRC(bn_1r1)
170
   ## bn_no1v.query(Flu, {Fever:1, Sneeze:1})
   | ## bn_lr1v.query(Flu, {Fever:1, Sneeze:1})
172
173
   |## bn_lr1v.query(Cough,{})
   ## bn_lr1v.query(Cold,{Cough:1,Sneeze:0,Fever:1})
174
   ## bn_lr1v.query(Flu,{Cough:0,Sneeze:1,Fever:1})
    ## bn_lr1v.query(Covid,{Cough:1,Sneeze:0,Fever:1})
176
    ## bn_lr1v.query(Covid,{Cough:1,Sneeze:0,Fever:1,Flu:0})
177
    ## bn_lr1v.query(Covid,{Cough:1,Sneeze:0,Fever:1,Flu:1})
178
179
   180
       InferenceMethod.testIM(ProbRC)
181
```

9.7 Variable Elimination

An instance of a *VE* object takes in a graphical model. The query method uses variable elimination to compute the probability of a variable given observations on some other variables.

```
_probVE.py — Variable Elimination for Graphical Models _
   from probFactors import Factor, FactorObserved, FactorSum, factor_times
   from probGraphicalModels import GraphicalModel, InferenceMethod
12
13
   class VE(InferenceMethod):
14
       """The class that queries Graphical Models using variable elimination.
15
16
       gm is graphical model to query
17
18
       method_name = "variable elimination"
19
20
       def __init__(self,gm=None):
21
           InferenceMethod.__init__(self, gm)
22
23
       def query(self,var,obs={},elim_order=None):
24
           """computes P(var|obs) where
25
           var is a variable
26
           obs is a {variable:value} dictionary"""
27
           if var in obs:
28
29
               return {var:1 if val == obs[var] else 0 for val in var.domain}
           else:
30
               if elim_order == None:
31
                   elim_order = self.gm.variables
32
               projFactors = [self.project_observations(fact,obs)
                              for fact in self.gm.factors]
34
               for v in elim_order:
35
                   if v != var and v not in obs:
36
```

```
projFactors = self.eliminate_var(projFactors,v)
unnorm = factor_times(var,projFactors)
p_obs=sum(unnorm)
self.display(1,"Unnormalized probs:",unnorm,"Prob obs:",p_obs)
return {val:pr/p_obs for val,pr in zip(var.domain, unnorm)}
```

A *FactorObserved* is a factor that is the result of some observations on another factor. We don't store the values in a list; we just look them up as needed. The observations can include variables that are not in the list, but should have some intersection with the variables in the factor.

```
_probFactors.py — (continued) _
159
    class FactorObserved(Factor):
160
        def __init__(self,factor,obs):
            Factor.__init__(self, [v for v in factor.variables if v not in obs])
161
            self.observed = obs
162
            self.orig_factor = factor
163
164
        def get_value(self,assignment):
165
            ass = assignment.copy()
166
            for ob in self.observed:
167
                ass[ob]=self.observed[ob]
168
            return self.orig_factor.get_value(ass)
169
```

A *FactorSum* is a factor that is the result of summing out a variable from the product of other factors. I.e., it constructs a representation of:

$$\sum_{var} \prod_{f \in factors} f$$

We store the values in a list in a lazy manner; if they are already computed, we used the stored values. If they are not already computed we can compute and store them.

```
_probFactors.py — (continued) _
    class FactorSum(Factor):
171
        def __init__(self,var,factors):
172
            self.var_summed_out = var
173
            self.factors = factors
174
            vars = []
175
            for fac in factors:
176
                for v in fac.variables:
177
                    if v is not var and v not in vars:
178
179
                        vars.append(v)
            Factor.__init__(self,vars)
180
181
            self.values = {}
182
        def get_value(self,assignment):
183
            """lazy implementation: if not saved, compute it. Return saved
184
                value"""
            asst = frozenset(assignment.items())
185
```

```
if asst in self.values:
186
187
                return self.values[asst]
            else:
188
                total = 0
189
                new_asst = assignment.copy()
190
                for val in self.var_summed_out.domain:
191
                    new_asst[self.var_summed_out] = val
192
                    total += math.prod(fac.get_value(new_asst) for fac in
193
                        self.factors)
                self.values[asst] = total
194
                return total
195
```

The method *factor_times* multiples a set of factors that are all factors on the same variable (or on no variables). This is the last step in variable elimination before normalizing. It returns an array giving the product for each value of *variable*.

```
\_probFactors.py - (continued) \_
    def factor_times(variable, factors):
197
        """when factors are factors just on variable (or on no variables)"""
198
199
        facs = [f for f in factors if variable in f.variables]
200
        for val in variable.domain:
201
            ast = {variable:val}
202
            prods.append(math.prod(f.get_value(ast) for f in facs))
203
204
        return prods
```

To project observations onto a factor, for each variable that is observed in the factor, we construct a new factor that is the factor projected onto that variable. *Factor_observed* creates a new factor that is the result is assigning a value to a single variable.

```
_probVE.py — (continued)
       def project_observations(self, factor, obs):
43
           """Returns the resulting factor after observing obs
44
45
           obs is a dictionary of {variable:value} pairs.
46
47
           if any((var in obs) for var in factor.variables):
48
               # a variable in factor is observed
49
               return FactorObserved(factor,obs)
50
           else:
51
               return factor
52
53
       def eliminate_var(self, factors, var):
54
           """Eliminate a variable var from a list of factors.
55
           Returns a new set of factors that has var summed out.
56
57
           self.display(2,"eliminating ",str(var))
           contains_var = []
59
           not_contains_var = []
60
           for fac in factors:
61
```

```
if var in fac.variables:
62
63
                  contains_var.append(fac)
               else:
                  not_contains_var.append(fac)
65
           if contains_var == []:
               return factors
67
           else:
               newFactor = FactorSum(var,contains_var)
69
               self.display(2, "Multiplying:",[str(f) for f in contains_var])
               self.display(2,"Creating factor:", newFactor)
71
               self.display(3, newFactor.to_table()) # factor in detail
72
               not_contains_var.append(newFactor)
73
               return not_contains_var
74
75
    from probGraphicalModels import bn_4ch, A,B,C,D
76
    bn_4chv = VE(bn_4ch)
77
    ## bn_4chv.query(A,{})
78
    ## bn_4chv.query(D,{})
79
    ## InferenceMethod.max_display_level = 3 # show more detail in displaying
80
    ## InferenceMethod.max_display_level = 1 # show less detail in displaying
    ## bn_4chv.query(A,{D:True})
82
    ## bn_4chv.query(B,{A:True,D:False})
84
    from probGraphicalModels import
85
        bn_report,Alarm,Fire,Leaving,Report,Smoke,Tamper
    bn_reportv = VE(bn_report) # answers queries using variable elimination
86
    ## bn_reportv.query(Tamper,{})
87
    ## InferenceMethod.max_display_level = 0 # show no detail in displaying
   | ## bn_reportv.query(Leaving,{})
    ## bn_reportv.query(Tamper,{},elim_order=[Smoke,Report,Leaving,Alarm,Fire])
    ## bn_reportv.query(Tamper,{Report:True})
91
    ## bn_reportv.query(Tamper,{Report:True,Smoke:False})
92
94
    from probGraphicalModels import bn_sprinkler, Season, Sprinkler, Rained,
        Grass_wet, Grass_shiny, Shoes_wet
    bn_sprinklerv = VE(bn_sprinkler)
95
    ## bn_sprinklerv.query(Shoes_wet,{})
    ## bn_sprinklerv.query(Shoes_wet,{Rained:True})
97
    ## bn_sprinklerv.query(Shoes_wet,{Grass_shiny:True})
    ## bn_sprinklerv.query(Shoes_wet,{Grass_shiny:False,Rained:True})
99
100
    from probGraphicalModels import bn_lr1, Cough, Fever, Sneeze, Cold, Flu,
101
        Covid
   vediag = VE(bn_lr1)
102
    ## vediag.query(Cough,{})
103
    ## vediag.query(Cold,{Cough:1,Sneeze:0,Fever:1})
104
    ## vediag.query(Flu,{Cough:0,Sneeze:1,Fever:1})
105
    ## vediag.query(Covid,{Cough:1,Sneeze:0,Fever:1})
106
    ## vediag.query(Covid,{Cough:1,Sneeze:0,Fever:1,Flu:0})
107
## vediag.query(Covid,{Cough:1,Sneeze:0,Fever:1,Flu:1})
```

```
if __name__ == "__main__":
    InferenceMethod.testIM(VE)
```

9.8 Stochastic Simulation

9.8.1 Sampling from a discrete distribution

The method *sample_one* generates a single sample from a (possible unnormalized) distribution. *dist* is a {*value* : weight} dictionary, where $weight \ge 0$. This returns a value with probability in proportion to its weight.

```
_probStochSim.py — Probabilistic inference using stochastic simulation
   import random
11
   from probGraphicalModels import InferenceMethod
12
13
   def sample_one(dist):
14
        """returns the index of a single sample from normalized distribution
15
            dist."""
       rand = random.random()*sum(dist.values())
16
                   # cumulative weights
17
       cum = 0
       for v in dist:
18
19
           cum += dist[v]
            if cum > rand:
20
                return v
21
```

If we want to generate multiple samples, repeatedly calling $sample_one$ may not be efficient. If we want to generate n samples, and the distribution is over m values, $sample_one$ takes time O(mn). If m and n are of the same order of magnitude, we can do better.

The method *sample_multiple* generates multiple samples from a distribution defined by *dist*, where *dist* is a $\{value : weight\}$ dictionary, where $weight \ge 0$ and the weights cannot all be zero. This returns a list of values, of length $num_samples$, where each sample is selected with a probability proportional to its weight.

The method generates all of the random numbers, sorts them, and then goes through the distribution once, saving the selected samples.

```
cum = dist_items[0][1] # cumulative sum
index = 0

for r in rands:
    while r>cum:
    index += 1
    cum += dist_items[index][1]
    result.append(dist_items[index][0])

return result
```

Exercise 9.1

What is the time and space complexity the following 4 methods to generate n samples, where m is the length of dist:

- (a) *n* calls to *sample_one*
- (b) sample_multiple
- (c) Create the cumulative distribution (choose how this is represented) and, for each random number, do a binary search to determine the sample associated with the random number.
- (d) Choose a random number in the range [i/n, (i+1)/n) for each $i \in range(n)$, where n is the number of samples. Use these as the random numbers to select the particles. (Does this give random samples?)

For each method suggest when it might be the best method.

The *test_sampling* method can be used to generate the statistics from a number of samples. It is useful to see the variability as a function of the number of samples. Try it for few samples and also for many samples.

```
_probStochSim.py — (continued)
   def test_sampling(dist, num_samples):
40
       """Given a distribution, dist, draw num_samples samples
41
       and return the resulting counts
42
43
       result = {v:0 for v in dist}
       for v in sample_multiple(dist, num_samples):
45
           result[v] += 1
46
       return result
47
   # try the following queries a number of times each:
49
   # test_sampling({1:1,2:2,3:3,4:4}, 100)
  # test_sampling({1:1,2:2,3:3,4:4}, 100000)
```

9.8.2 Sampling Methods for Belief Network Inference

A SamplingInferenceMethod is an InferenceMethod, but the query method also takes arguments for the number of samples and the sample-order (which is an ordering of factors). The first methods assume a belief network (and not an undirected graphical model).

```
__probStochSim.py — (continued)
   class SamplingInferenceMethod(InferenceMethod):
53
       """The abstract class of sampling-based belief network inference
54
           methods"""
55
       def __init__(self,gm=None):
56
           InferenceMethod.__init__(self, gm)
57
58
       def query(self,qvar,obs={},number_samples=1000,sample_order=None):
59
           raise NotImplementedError("SamplingInferenceMethod query") #
60
               abstract
```

9.8.3 Rejection Sampling

```
\_probStochSim.py — (continued)
   class RejectionSampling(SamplingInferenceMethod):
62
       """The class that queries Graphical Models using Rejection Sampling.
63
64
       gm is a belief network to query
65
66
       method_name = "rejection sampling"
67
68
69
       def __init__(self, gm=None):
70
           SamplingInferenceMethod.__init__(self, gm)
71
       def query(self, qvar, obs={}, number_samples=1000, sample_order=None):
72
           """computes P(qvar | obs) where
73
           qvar is a variable.
74
           obs is a {variable:value} dictionary.
75
           sample_order is a list of variables where the parents
76
             come before the variable.
77
78
           if sample_order is None:
79
               sample_order = self.gm.topological_sort()
80
           self.display(2,*sample_order,sep="\t")
81
           counts = {val:0 for val in qvar.domain}
82
           for i in range(number_samples):
83
               rejected = False
84
               sample = {}
85
               for nvar in sample_order:
                   fac = self.gm.var2cpt[nvar] #factor with nvar as child
87
88
                  val = sample_one({v:fac.get_value({**sample, nvar:v}) for v
                       in nvar.domain})
                   self.display(2,val,end="\t")
                   if nvar in obs and obs[nvar] != val:
90
                      rejected = True
91
                      self.display(2, "Rejected")
92
                      break
93
                   sample[nvar] = val
94
```

```
if not rejected:
    counts[sample[qvar]] += 1
    self.display(2,"Accepted")

tot = sum(counts.values())

# As well as the distribution we also include raw counts

dist = {c:v/tot if tot>0 else 1/len(qvar.domain) for (c,v) in
    counts.items()}

dist["raw_counts"] = counts

return dist
```

9.8.4 Likelihood Weighting

Likelihood weighting includes a weight for each sample. Instead of rejecting samples based on observations, likelihood weighting changes the weights of the sample in proportion with the probability of the observation. The weight then becomes the probability that the variable would have been rejected.

```
\_probStochSim.py - (continued)
    class LikelihoodWeighting(SamplingInferenceMethod):
104
        """The class that queries Graphical Models using Likelihood weighting.
105
106
        gm is a belief network to query
107
108
        method_name = "likelihood weighting"
109
110
        def __init__(self, gm=None):
111
            SamplingInferenceMethod.__init__(self, gm)
112
113
        def query(self,qvar,obs={},number_samples=1000,sample_order=None):
114
            """computes P(qvar | obs) where
115
            qvar is a variable.
116
            obs is a {variable:value} dictionary.
117
            sample_order is a list of factors where factors defining the parents
118
              come before the factors for the child.
119
120
            if sample_order is None:
121
                sample_order = self.gm.topological_sort()
122
123
            self.display(2,*[v for v in sample_order
                               if v not in obs], sep="\t")
124
            counts = {val:0 for val in qvar.domain}
125
            for i in range(number_samples):
126
                sample = \{\}
127
               weight = 1.0
128
                for nvar in sample_order:
129
                   fac = self.gm.var2cpt[nvar]
130
131
                    if nvar in obs:
                       sample[nvar] = obs[nvar]
132
                       weight *= fac.get_value(sample)
133
                   else:
134
                       val = sample_one({v:fac.get_value({**sample,nvar:v}) for
135
                            v in nvar.domain})
```

```
self.display(2,val,end="\t")
136
137
                       sample[nvar] = val
               counts[sample[qvar]] += weight
138
               self.display(2,weight)
139
            tot = sum(counts.values())
140
            # as well as the distribution we also include the raw counts
141
142
            dist = {c:v/tot for (c,v) in counts.items()}
            dist["raw_counts"] = counts
143
            return dist
144
```

Exercise 9.2 Change this algorithm so that it does **importance sampling** using a proposal distribution. It needs *sample_one* using a different distribution and then update the weight of the current sample. For testing, use a proposal distribution that only specifies probabilities for some of the variables (and the algorithm uses the probabilities for the network in other cases).

9.8.5 Particle Filtering

In this implementation, a particle is a {variable : value} dictionary. Because adding a new value to dictionary involves a side effect, the dictionaries need to be copied during resampling.

```
_probStochSim.py — (continued)
    class ParticleFiltering(SamplingInferenceMethod):
146
        """The class that queries Graphical Models using Particle Filtering.
147
148
        gm is a belief network to query
149
150
        method_name = "particle filtering"
151
152
        def __init__(self, gm=None):
153
            SamplingInferenceMethod.__init__(self, gm)
154
155
        def query(self, qvar, obs={}, number_samples=1000, sample_order=None):
156
            """computes P(qvar | obs) where
157
            gvar is a variable.
158
159
            obs is a {variable:value} dictionary.
            sample_order is a list of factors where factors defining the parents
160
             come before the factors for the child.
161
162
            if sample_order is None:
163
                sample_order = self.gm.topological_sort()
164
            self.display(2,*[v for v in sample_order
165
                               if v not in obs], sep="\t")
166
167
            particles = [{} for i in range(number_samples)]
            for nvar in sample_order:
168
                fac = self.gm.var2cpt[nvar]
169
                if nvar in obs:
170
                    weights = [fac.get_value({**part, nvar:obs[nvar]}) for part
171
                        in particles]
```

```
particles = [{**p, nvar:obs[nvar]} for p in
172
                        resample(particles, weights, number_samples)]
               else:
173
                   for part in particles:
174
                       part[nvar] = sample_one({v:fac.get_value({**part,} )})
175
                            nvar:v}) for v in nvar.domain})
176
                   self.display(2,part[nvar],end="\t")
            counts = {val:0 for val in qvar.domain}
177
            for part in particles:
178
               counts[part[qvar]] += 1
179
180
            tot = sum(counts.values())
            # as well as the distribution we also include the raw counts
181
            dist = {c:v/tot for (c,v) in counts.items()}
182
            dist["raw_counts"] = counts
183
            return dist
184
```

Resampling

Resample is based on *sample_multiple* but works with an array of particles. (Aside: Python doesn't let us use *sample_multiple* directly as it uses a dictionary, and particles, represented as dictionaries can't be the key of dictionaries).

```
_probStochSim.py — (continued)
    def resample(particles, weights, num_samples):
186
        """returns num_samples copies of particles resampled according to
187
            weights.
188
        particles is a list of particles
        weights is a list of positive numbers, of same length as particles
189
        num_samples is n integer
190
191
        total = sum(weights)
192
        rands = sorted(random.random()*total for i in range(num_samples))
193
        result = []
194
        cum = weights[0]
                            # cumulative sum
195
        index = 0
196
        for r in rands:
197
            while r>cum:
198
199
                index += 1
                cum += weights[index]
200
            result.append(particles[index])
201
        return result
202
```

9.8.6 Examples

```
## InferenceMethod.max_display_level = 2 # detailed tracing for all
207
        inference methods
    ## bn_4chr.query(A,{})
208
    ## bn_4chr.query(C,{})
209
    ## bn_4chr.query(A,{C:True})
    ## bn_4chr.query(B,{A:True,C:False})
211
212
    from probGraphicalModels import
213
        bn_report,Alarm,Fire,Leaving,Report,Smoke,Tamper
    bn_reportr = RejectionSampling(bn_report) # answers queries using
214
        rejection sampling
    bn_reportL = LikelihoodWeighting(bn_report) # answers queries using
215
        likelihood weighting
    bn_reportp = ParticleFiltering(bn_report) # answers queries using particle
216
        filtering
    ## bn_reportr.query(Tamper,{})
217
    ## bn_reportr.query(Tamper,{})
218
    ## bn_reportr.query(Tamper,{Report:True})
219
    ## InferenceMethod.max_display_level = 0 # no detailed tracing for all
220
        inference methods
    ## bn_reportr.query(Tamper,{Report:True},number_samples=100000)
221
    ## bn_reportr.query(Tamper,{Report:True,Smoke:False})
222
    ## bn_reportr.query(Tamper,{Report:True,Smoke:False},number_samples=100)
223
224
    ## bn_reportL.query(Tamper,{Report:True,Smoke:False},number_samples=100)
225
    ## bn_reportL.query(Tamper,{Report:True,Smoke:False},number_samples=100)
226
227
    from probGraphicalModels import bn_sprinkler, Season, Sprinkler
228
    from probGraphicalModels import Rained, Grass_wet, Grass_shiny, Shoes_wet
229
    bn_sprinklerr = RejectionSampling(bn_sprinkler) # answers queries using
230
        rejection sampling
    bn_sprinklerL = LikelihoodWeighting(bn_sprinkler) # answers queries using
231
        rejection sampling
232
    bn_sprinklerp = ParticleFiltering(bn_sprinkler) # answers queries using
        particle filtering
    #bn_sprinklerr.query(Shoes_wet,{Grass_shiny:True,Rained:True})
233
    #bn_sprinklerL.query(Shoes_wet,{Grass_shiny:True,Rained:True})
234
    #bn_sprinklerp.query(Shoes_wet,{Grass_shiny:True,Rained:True})
235
236
    if __name__ == "__main__":
237
       InferenceMethod.testIM(RejectionSampling, threshold=0.1)
238
       InferenceMethod.testIM(LikelihoodWeighting, threshold=0.1)
239
       InferenceMethod.testIM(ParticleFiltering, threshold=0.1)
240
```

Exercise 9.3 This code keeps regenerating the distribution of a variable given its parents. Implement one or both of the following, and compare them to the original. Make *cond_dist* return a slice that corresponds to the distribution, and then use the slice instead of the dictionary (a list slice does not generate new data structures). Make *cond_dist* remember values it has already computed, and only return these.

9.8.7 Gibbs Sampling

The following implements **Gibbs sampling**, a form of **Markov Chain Monte Carlo** MCMC.

```
_probStochSim.py — (continued)
    #import random
242
    #from probGraphicalModels import InferenceMethod
243
244
    #from probStochSim import sample_one, SamplingInferenceMethod
245
246
    class GibbsSampling(SamplingInferenceMethod):
247
        """The class that queries Graphical Models using Gibbs Sampling.
248
249
        bn is a graphical model (e.g., a belief network) to query
250
251
        method_name = "Gibbs sampling"
252
253
        def __init__(self, gm=None):
254
            SamplingInferenceMethod.__init__(self, gm)
255
            self.gm = gm
256
257
        def query(self, qvar, obs={}, number_samples=1000, burn_in=100,
258
            sample_order=None):
            """computes P(qvar | obs) where
259
            qvar is a variable.
260
            obs is a {variable:value} dictionary.
261
            sample_order is a list of non-observed variables in order, or
262
            if sample_order None, the variables are shuffled at each iteration.
263
264
            counts = {val:0 for val in qvar.domain}
265
            if sample_order is not None:
266
               variables = sample_order
267
            else:
268
                variables = [v for v in self.gm.variables if v not in obs]
269
            var_to_factors = {v:set() for v in self.gm.variables}
270
            for fac in self.gm.factors:
271
               for var in fac.variables:
272
                   var_to_factors[var].add(fac)
273
            sample = {var:random.choice(var.domain) for var in variables}
274
            self.display(2, "Sample: ", sample)
275
            sample.update(obs)
276
            for i in range(burn_in + number_samples):
277
               if sample_order == None:
278
                   random.shuffle(variables)
279
               for var in variables:
280
                   # get unnormalized probability distribution of var given its
281
                        neighbours
                   vardist = {val:1 for val in var.domain}
282
                   for val in var.domain:
283
                       sample[var] = val
284
```

```
for fac in var_to_factors[var]: # Markov blanket
285
                           vardist[val] *= fac.get_value(sample)
286
                   sample[var] = sample_one(vardist)
287
               if i >= burn_in:
288
                   counts[sample[qvar]] +=1
            tot = sum(counts.values())
290
291
            # as well as the computed distribution, we also include raw counts
            dist = {c:v/tot for (c,v) in counts.items()}
292
            dist["raw_counts"] = counts
293
            return dist
294
295
    #from probGraphicalModels import bn_4ch, A,B,C,D
296
    bn_4chg = GibbsSampling(bn_4ch)
297
    ## InferenceMethod.max_display_level = 2 # detailed tracing for all
298
        inference methods
    bn_4chg.query(A,{})
299
300
    ## bn_4chg.query(D,{})
    ## bn_4chg.query(B,{D:True})
301
    ## bn_4chg.query(B,{A:True,C:False})
302
303
    from probGraphicalModels import
304
        bn_report,Alarm,Fire,Leaving,Report,Smoke,Tamper
    bn_reportg = GibbsSampling(bn_report)
305
    ## bn_reportg.query(Tamper,{Report:True},number_samples=1000)
306
307
    if __name__ == "__main__":
308
        InferenceMethod.testIM(GibbsSampling, threshold=0.1)
309
```

Exercise 9.4 Change the code so that it can have multiple query variables. Make the list of query variable be an input to the algorithm, so that the default value is the list of all non-observed variables.

Exercise 9.5 In this algorithm, explain where it computes the probability of a variable given its Markov blanket. Instead of returning the average of the samples for the query variable, it is possible to return the average estimate of the probability of the query variable given its Markov blanket. Does this converge to the same answer as the given code? Does it converge faster, slower, or the same?

9.8.8 Plotting Behaviour of Stochastic Simulators

The stochastic simulation runs can give different answers each time they are run. For the algorithms that give the same answer in the limit as the number of samples approaches infinity (as do all of these algorithms), the algorithms can be compared by comparing the accuracy for multiple runs. Summary statistics like the variance may provide some information, but the assumptions behind the variance being appropriate (namely that the distribution is approximately Gaussian) may not hold for cases where the predictions are bounded and often skewed.

It is more appropriate to plot the distribution of predictions over multiple runs. The *plot_stats* method plots the prediction of a particular variable (or for the partition function) for a number of runs of the same algorithm. On the *x*-axis, is the prediction of the algorithm. On the *y*-axis is the number of runs with prediction less than or equal to the *x* value. Thus this is like a cumulative distribution over the predictions, but with counts on the *y*-axis.

Note that for runs where there are no samples that are consistent with the observations (as can happen with rejection sampling), the prediction of probability is 1.0 (as a convention for 0/0).

That variable *what* contains the query variable, or *what* is "*prob_ev*", the probability of evidence.

```
_probStochSim.py — (continued)
           import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
311
312
           def plot_stats(method, qvar, qval, obs, number_runs=1000, **queryargs):
313
                      """Plots a cumulative distribution of the prediction of the model.
314
                     method is a InferenceMethod (that implements appropriate query(.))
315
                     plots P(qvar=qval | obs)
316
                     qvar is the query variable, qval is corresponding value
317
                     obs is the {variable:value} dictionary representing the observations
318
                     number_iterations is the number of runs that are plotted
319
                     **queryargs is the arguments to query (often number_samples for
320
                                 sampling methods)
                     ,, ,, ,,
321
                     plt.ion()
322
                     plt.xlabel("value")
323
                     plt.ylabel("Cumulative Number")
324
                     method.max_display_level, prev_mdl = 0, method.max_display_level #no
325
                                 display
                     answers = [method.query(qvar,obs,**queryargs)
326
                                                  for i in range(number_runs)]
327
                     values = [ans[qval] for ans in answers]
328
                     label = f''\{method\_name\} \ P(\{qvar\}=\{qval\}|\{','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\}','.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val\},'.join(f'\{var\}=\{val
329
                                 for (var,val) in obs.items())})"
                     values.sort()
330
                     plt.plot(values,range(number_runs),label=label)
331
                     plt.legend() #loc="upper left")
332
333
                     method.max_display_level = prev_mdl # restore display level
334
335
           # Try:
336
           #
337
                       plot_stats(bn_reportr,Tamper,True,{Report:True,Smoke:True},number_samples=1000,
                       number_runs=1000)
           #
338
                       plot_stats(bn_reportL, Tamper, True, {Report: True, Smoke: True}, number_samples=1000,
                       number_runs=1000)
339
```

```
plot_stats(bn_reportp, Tamper, True, {Report: True, Smoke: True}, number_samples=1000,
        number_runs=1000)
    #
340
        plot_stats(bn_reportr, Tamper, True, {Report: True, Smoke: True}, number_samples=100,
        number_runs=1000)
    #
341
        plot_stats(bn_reportL, Tamper, True, {Report: True, Smoke: True}, number_samples=100,
        number_runs=1000)
    #
342
        plot_stats(bn_reportg, Tamper, True, {Report: True, Smoke: True}, number_samples=1000,
        number_runs=1000)
343
    def plot_mult(methods, example, qvar, qval, obs, number_samples=1000,
344
        number_runs=1000):
        for method in methods:
345
            solver = method(example)
346
            if isinstance(method, SamplingInferenceMethod):
347
                plot_stats(solver, qvar, qval, obs, number_samples, number_runs)
348
349
            else:
                plot_stats(solver, qvar, qval, obs, number_runs)
350
351
    from probRC import ProbRC
352
    # Try following (but it takes a while..)
353
    methods =
354
        [ProbRC, RejectionSampling, LikelihoodWeighting, ParticleFiltering, GibbsSampling]
    #plot_mult(methods,bn_report,Tamper,True,{Report:True,Smoke:False},number_samples=100,
355
        number_runs=1000)
356
    #
        plot_mult(methods,bn_report,Tamper,True,{Report:False,Smoke:True},number_samples=100,
        number_runs=1000)
357
    # Sprinkler Example:
358
    #
359
        plot_stats(bn_sprinklerr,Shoes_wet,True,{Grass_shiny:True,Rained:True},number_samples=1000)
    #
360
        plot_stats(bn_sprinklerL,Shoes_wet,True,{Grass_shiny:True,Rained:True},number_samples=1000)
```

9.9 Hidden Markov Models

This code for hidden Markov models is independent of the graphical models code, to keep it simple. Section 9.10 gives code that models hidden Markov models, and more generally, dynamic belief networks, using the graphical models code.

This HMM code assumes there are multiple Boolean observation variables that depend on the current state and are independent of each other given the state.

```
11
   import random
12
   from probStochSim import sample_one, sample_multiple
   class HMM(object):
14
       def __init__(self, states, obsvars, pobs, trans, indist):
15
           """A hidden Markov model.
16
17
           states - set of states
           obsvars - set of observation variables
18
           pobs - probability of observations, pobs[i][s] is P(Obs_i=True |
               State=s)
           trans - transition probability - trans[i][j] gives P(State=j |
20
               State=i)
           indist - initial distribution - indist[s] is P(State_0 = s)
21
22
           self.states = states
23
           self.obsvars = obsvars
24
           self.pobs = pobs
25
           self.trans = trans
26
           self.indist = indist
27
```

Consider the following example. Suppose you want to unobtrusively keep track of an animal in a triangular enclosure using sound. Suppose you have 3 microphones that provide unreliable (noisy) binary information at each time step. The animal is either close to one of the 3 points of the triangle or in the middle of the triangle.

The observation model is as follows. If the animal is in a corner, it will be detected by the microphone at that corner with probability 0.6, and will be independently detected by each of the other microphones with a probability of 0.1. If the animal is in the middle, it will be detected by each microphone with a probability of 0.4.

```
# pobs gives the observation model:

#pobs[mi][state] is P(mi=on | state)

closeMic=0.6; farMic=0.1; midMic=0.4

pobs1 = {'m1':{'middle':midMic, 'c1':closeMic, 'c2':farMic, 'c3':farMic},

# mic 1

'm2':{'middle':midMic, 'c1':farMic, 'c2':closeMic, 'c3':farMic}, #

mic 2

'm3':{'middle':midMic, 'c1':farMic, 'c2':farMic, 'c3':closeMic}} #

mic 3
```

The transition model is as follows: If the animal is in a corner it stays in the same corner with probability 0.80, goes to the middle with probability 0.1

or goes to one of the other corners with probability 0.05 each. If it is in the middle, it stays in the middle with probability 0.7, otherwise it moves to one the corners, each with probability 0.1.

```
____probHMM.py — (continued) _
   |# trans specifies the dynamics
41
  |# trans[i] is the distribution over states resulting from state i
   | # trans[i][j] gives P(S=j | S=i)
43
   sm=0.7; mmc=0.1
                                # transition probabilities when in middle
   sc=0.8; mcm=0.1; mcc=0.05 # transition probabilities when in a corner
45
   trans1 = {'middle':{'middle':sm, 'c1':mmc, 'c2':mmc, 'c3':mmc}, # was in
       middle
             'c1':{'middle':mcm, 'c1':sc, 'c2':mcc, 'c3':mcc}, # was in corner
47
             'c2':{'middle':mcm, 'c1':mcc, 'c2':sc, 'c3':mcc}, # was in corner
48
             'c3':{'middle':mcm, 'c1':mcc, 'c2':mcc, 'c3':sc}} # was in corner
49
```

Initially the animal is in one of the four states, with equal probability.

```
probHMM.py — (continued)

# initially we have a uniform distribution over the animal's state
indist1 = {st:1.0/len(states1) for st in states1}

hmm1 = HMM(states1, obs1, pobs1, trans1, indist1)
```

9.9.1 Exact Filtering for HMMs

A *HMMVEfilter* has a current state distribution which can be updated by observing or by advancing to the next time.

```
___probHMM.py — (continued) _
   from display import Displayable
56
57
   class HMMVEfilter(Displayable):
58
       def __init__(self,hmm):
59
           self.hmm = hmm
60
           self.state_dist = hmm.indist
61
62
       def filter(self, obsseq):
63
           """updates and returns the state distribution following the
64
               sequence of
           observations in obsseq using variable elimination.
65
66
           Note that it first advances time.
67
           This is what is required if it is called sequentially.
           If that is not what is wanted initially, do an observe first.
69
70
           for obs in obsseq:
71
```

```
self.advance()
72
                                 # advance time
73
               self.observe(obs) # observe
           return self.state_dist
74
75
       def observe(self, obs):
76
           """updates state conditioned on observations.
77
           obs is a list of values for each observation variable"""
78
           for i in self.hmm.obsvars:
79
              self.state_dist = {st:self.state_dist[st]*(self.hmm.pobs[i][st]
                                                  if obs[i] else
81
                                                       (1-self.hmm.pobs[i][st]))
                                for st in self.hmm.states}
82
           norm = sum(self.state_dist.values()) # normalizing constant
83
           self.state_dist = {st:self.state_dist[st]/norm for st in
               self.hmm.states}
           self.display(2, "After observing", obs, "state
85
               distribution:",self.state_dist)
86
       def advance(self):
87
           """advance to the next time"""
88
           nextstate = {st:0.0 for st in self.hmm.states} # distribution over
89
               next states
           for j in self.hmm.states:
                                         # j ranges over next states
90
              for i in self.hmm.states: # i ranges over previous states
91
92
                  nextstate[j] += self.hmm.trans[i][j]*self.state_dist[i]
           self.state_dist = nextstate
           self.display(2, "After advancing state
94
               distribution:",self.state_dist)
```

The following are some queries for *hmm*1.

```
__probHMM.py — (continued) _
    hmm1f1 = HMMVEfilter(hmm1)
    # hmm1f1.filter([{'m1':0, 'm2':1, 'm3':1}, {'m1':1, 'm2':0, 'm3':1}])
97
    ## HMMVEfilter.max_display_level = 2 # show more detail in displaying
98
    # hmm1f2 = HMMVEfilter(hmm1)
99
    # hmm1f2.filter([{'m1':1, 'm2':0, 'm3':0}, {'m1':0, 'm2':1, 'm3':0},
100
        {'m1':1, 'm2':0, 'm3':0},
                    {'m1':0, 'm2':0, 'm3':0}, {'m1':0, 'm2':0, 'm3':0},
101
        {'m1':0, 'm2':0, 'm3':0},
                    {'m1':0, 'm2':0, 'm3':0}, {'m1':0, 'm2':0, 'm3':1},
102
        {'m1':0, 'm2':0, 'm3':1},
                    {'m1':0, 'm2':0, 'm3':1}])
103
    # hmm1f3 = HMMVEfilter(hmm1)
104
    # hmm1f3.filter([{'m1':1, 'm2':0, 'm3':0}, {'m1':0, 'm2':0, 'm3':0},
105
        {'m1':1, 'm2':0, 'm3':0}, {'m1':1, 'm2':0, 'm3':1}])
106
    # How do the following differ in the resulting state distribution?
107
    # Note they start the same, but have different initial observations.
108
    ## HMMVEfilter.max_display_level = 1 # show less detail in displaying
109
# for i in range(100): hmm1f1.advance()
```

```
# hmm1f1.state_dist
# for i in range(100): hmm1f3.advance()
# hmm1f3.state_dist
```

Exercise 9.6 The representation assumes that there are a list of Boolean observations. Extend the representation so that the each observation variable can have multiple discrete values. You need to choose a representation for the model, and change the algorithm.

9.9.2 Localization

The localization example in the book is a controlled HMM, where there is a given action at each time and the transition depends on the action. In this class, the transition is set to None initially, and needs to be provided with an action to determine the transition probability.

```
___probLocalization.py — Controlled HMM and Localization example _
   from probHMM import HMMVEfilter, HMM
   from display import Displayable
12
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
   from matplotlib.widgets import Button, CheckButtons
14
15
   class HMM_Controlled(HMM):
16
       """A controlled HMM, where the transition probability depends on the
17
          Instead of the transition probability, it has a function act2trans
18
          from action to transition probability.
19
          Any algorithms need to select the transition probability according
20
              to the action.
21
       def __init__(self, states, obsvars, pobs, act2trans, indist):
22
           self.act2trans = act2trans
23
           HMM.__init__(self, states, obsvars, pobs, None, indist)
24
25
26
27
   local_states = list(range(16))
   door_positions = \{2,4,7,11\}
28
   def prob_door(loc): return 0.8 if loc in door_positions else 0.1
29
   local_obs = {'door':[prob_door(i) for i in range(16)]}
30
   act2trans = {'right': [[0.1 if next == current
31
                                   else 0.8 if next == (current+1)%16
32
33
                                   else 0.074 if next == (current+2)%16
                                   else 0.002 for next in range(16)] for
34
                                       current in range(16)],
                          'left': [[0.1 if next == current
35
                                   else 0.8 if next == (current-1)%16
                                   else 0.074 if next == (current-2)%16
37
                                   else 0.002 for next in range(16)] for
38
                                       current in range(16)]}
```

```
hmm_16pos = HMM_Controlled(local_states, {'door'}, local_obs, act2trans, [1/16 for i in range(16)])
```

To change the VE localization code to allow for controlled HMMs, notice that the action selects which transition probability to us.

```
_probLocalization.py — (continued) _
40
   class HMM_Local(HMMVEfilter):
       """VE filter for controlled HMMs
41
42
       def __init__(self, hmm):
43
           HMMVEfilter.__init__(self, hmm)
44
45
       def go(self, action):
46
           self.hmm.trans = self.hmm.act2trans[action]
47
           self.advance()
48
49
   loc_filt = HMM_Local(hmm_16pos)
50
   # loc_filt.observe({'door':True}); loc_filt.go("right");
        loc_filt.observe({'door':False}); loc_filt.go("right");
        loc_filt.observe({'door':True})
52 | # loc_filt.state_dist
```

The following lets us interactively move the agent and provide observations. It shows the distribution over locations.

```
__probLocalization.py — (continued) _
   class Show_Localization(Displayable):
54
       def __init__(self,hmm):
55
           self.hmm = hmm
56
           self.loc_filt = HMM_Local(hmm)
57
           fig,(self.ax) = plt.subplots()
58
           plt.subplots_adjust(bottom=0.2)
59
           left_butt = Button(plt.axes([0.05,0.02,0.1,0.05]), "left")
60
           left_butt.on_clicked(self.left)
61
           right_butt = Button(plt.axes([0.25,0.02,0.1,0.05]), "right")
62
           right_butt.on_clicked(self.right)
63
           door_butt = Button(plt.axes([0.45, 0.02, 0.1, 0.05]), "door")
           door_butt.on_clicked(self.door)
65
           nodoor_butt = Button(plt.axes([0.65, 0.02, 0.1, 0.05]), "no door")
66
           nodoor_butt.on_clicked(self.nodoor)
67
           reset_butt = Button(plt.axes([0.85,0.02,0.1,0.05]), "reset")
           reset_butt.on_clicked(self.reset)
69
70
                  #this makes sure y-axis goes to 1, graph overwritten in
                       draw dist
71
           self.draw_dist()
72
           plt.show()
73
       def draw_dist(self):
74
           self.ax.clear()
75
           plt.ylim(0,1)
76
```

```
self.ax.set_ylabel("Probability")
77
78
           self.ax.set_xlabel("Location")
           self.ax.set_title("Location Probability Distribution")
79
           self.ax.set_xticks(self.hmm.states)
80
           vals = [self.loc_filt.state_dist[i] for i in self.hmm.states]
81
           self.bars = self.ax.bar(self.hmm.states, vals, color='black')
82
           self.ax.bar_label(self.bars,["{v:.2f}".format(v=v) for v in vals],
                padding = 1)
           plt.draw()
85
       def left(self, event):
86
           self.loc_filt.go("left")
87
           self.draw_dist()
88
       def right(self,event):
89
           self.loc_filt.go("right")
90
           self.draw_dist()
91
        def door(self, event):
92
           self.loc_filt.observe({'door':True})
93
           self.draw_dist()
94
        def nodoor(self,event):
95
           self.loc_filt.observe({'door':False})
96
           self.draw_dist()
97
       def reset(self,event):
98
           self.loc_filt.state_dist = {i:1/16 for i in range(16)}
99
100
           self.draw_dist()
101
   # sl = Show_Localization(hmm_16pos)
```

9.9.3 Particle Filtering for HMMs

In this implementation a particle is just a state. If you want to do some form of smoothing, a particle should probably be a history of states. This maintains, particles, an array of states, weights an array of (non-negative) real numbers, such that weights[i] is the weight of particles[i].

```
__probHMM.py — (continued) .
    from display import Displayable
114
    from probStochSim import resample
115
116
    class HMMparticleFilter(Displayable):
117
        def __init__(self,hmm,number_particles=1000):
118
            self.hmm = hmm
119
            self.particles = [sample_one(hmm.indist)
120
121
                             for i in range(number_particles)]
            self.weights = [1 for i in range(number_particles)]
122
123
        def filter(self, obsseq):
124
            """returns the state distribution following the sequence of
125
            observations in obsseq using particle filtering.
126
```

```
127
128
            Note that it first advances time.
            This is what is required if it is called after previous filtering.
129
            If that is not what is wanted initially, do an observe first.
130
131
            for obs in obsseq:
132
133
                self.advance()
                                 # advance time
                self.observe(obs) # observe
134
               self.resample_particles()
135
                self.display(2,"After observing", str(obs),
136
                              "state distribution:",
137
                                  self.histogram(self.particles))
            self.display(1,"Final state distribution:",
138
                self.histogram(self.particles))
            return self.histogram(self.particles)
139
140
        def advance(self):
141
            """advance to the next time.
142
            This assumes that all of the weights are 1."""
143
            self.particles = [sample_one(self.hmm.trans[st])
144
                             for st in self.particles]
145
146
        def observe(self, obs):
147
            """reweighs the particles to incorporate observations obs"""
148
            for i in range(len(self.particles)):
149
                for obv in obs:
150
                   if obs[obv]:
151
152
                       self.weights[i] *= self.hmm.pobs[obv][self.particles[i]]
                   else:
153
                       self.weights[i] *=
154
                           1-self.hmm.pobs[obv][self.particles[i]]
155
        def histogram(self, particles):
156
            """returns list of the probability of each state as represented by
157
            the particles"""
158
159
            hist = {st: 0.0 for st in self.hmm.states}
160
            for (st,wt) in zip(self.particles,self.weights):
161
               hist[st]+=wt
162
                tot += wt
163
            return {st:hist[st]/tot for st in hist}
164
165
        def resample_particles(self):
166
            """resamples to give a new set of particles."""
167
            self.particles = resample(self.particles, self.weights,
168
                len(self.particles))
            self.weights = [1] * len(self.particles)
169
```

The following are some queries for *hmm*1.

```
hmm1pf1 = HMMparticleFilter(hmm1)
171
172
    # HMMparticleFilter.max_display_level = 2 # show each step
    # hmm1pf1.filter([{'m1':0, 'm2':1, 'm3':1}, {'m1':1, 'm2':0, 'm3':1}])
173
    # hmm1pf2 = HMMparticleFilter(hmm1)
174
   # hmm1pf2.filter([{'m1':1, 'm2':0, 'm3':0}, {'m1':0, 'm2':1, 'm3':0},
175
        {'m1':1, 'm2':0, 'm3':0},
                    {'m1':0, 'm2':0, 'm3':0}, {'m1':0, 'm2':0, 'm3':0},
176
        {'m1':0, 'm2':0, 'm3':0},
                    {'m1':0, 'm2':0, 'm3':0}, {'m1':0, 'm2':0, 'm3':1},
177
        {'m1':0, 'm2':0, 'm3':1},
                    {'m1':0, 'm2':0, 'm3':1}])
178
    # hmm1pf3 = HMMparticleFilter(hmm1)
179
    # hmm1pf3.filter([{'m1':1, 'm2':0, 'm3':0}, {'m1':0, 'm2':0, 'm3':0},
180
        {'m1':1, 'm2':0, 'm3':0}, {'m1':1, 'm2':0, 'm3':1}])
```

Exercise 9.7 A form of importance sampling can be obtained by not resampling. Is it better or worse than particle filtering? Hint: you need to think about how they can be compared. Is the comparison different if there are more states than particles?

Exercise 9.8 Extend the particle filtering code to continuous variables and observations. In particular, suppose the state transition is a linear function with Gaussian noise of the previous state, and the observations are linear functions with Gaussian noise of the state. You may need to research how to sample from a Gaussian distribution.

9.9.4 Generating Examples

The following code is useful for generating examples.

```
_probHMM.py — (continued) _
    def simulate(hmm, horizon):
182
        """returns a pair of (state sequence, observation sequence) of length
183
            horizon.
        for each time t, the agent is in state_sequence[t] and
184
        observes observation_sequence[t]
185
186
        state = sample_one(hmm.indist)
187
        obsseq=[]
188
189
        stateseq=[]
        for time in range(horizon):
190
            stateseq.append(state)
191
192
            newobs =
                {obs:sample_one({0:1-hmm.pobs[obs][state],1:hmm.pobs[obs][state]})
193
                      for obs in hmm.obsvars}
            obsseq.append(newobs)
194
            state = sample_one(hmm.trans[state])
195
        return stateseq, obsseq
196
197
    def simobs(hmm, stateseq):
198
```

```
"""returns observation sequence for the state sequence"""
199
200
        for state in stateseq:
201
            newobs =
202
                {obs:sample_one({0:1-hmm.pobs[obs][state],1:hmm.pobs[obs][state]})
                     for obs in hmm.obsvars}
203
204
            obsseq.append(newobs)
        return obsseq
205
    def create_eg(hmm,n):
207
        """Create an annotated example for horizon n"""
208
        seq.obs = simulate(hmm,n)
209
        print("True state sequence:", seq)
210
        print("Sequence of observations:\n",obs)
211
        hmmfilter = HMMVEfilter(hmm)
212
        dist = hmmfilter.filter(obs)
213
        print("Resulting distribution over states:\n",dist)
214
```

9.10 Dynamic Belief Networks

A dynamic belief network (DBN) is a belief network that extends in time.

There are a number of ways that reasoning can be carried out in a DBN, including:

- Rolling out the DBN for some time period, and using standard belief network inference. The latest time that needs to be in the rolled out network is the time of the latest observation or the time of a query (whichever is later). This allows us to observe any variables at any time and query any variables at any time. This is covered in Section 9.10.2.
- An unrolled belief network may be very large, and we might only be interested in asking about "now". In this case we can just representing the variables "now". In this approach we can observe and query the current variables. We can them move to the next time. This does not allow for arbitrary historical queries (about the past or the future), but can be much simpler. This is covered in Section 9.10.3.

9.10.1 Representing Dynamic Belief Networks

To specify a DBN, think about the distribution *now*. *Now* will be represented as time 1. Each variable will have a corresponding previous variable; these will be created together.

A dynamic belief network consists of:

• A set of features. A variable is a feature-time pair.

- An initial distribution over the features "now" (time 1). This is a belief network with all variables being time 1 variables.
- A specification of the dynamics. We define the how the variables *now* (time 1) depend on variables *now* and the previous time (time 0), in such a way that the graph is acyclic.

```
_probDBN.py — Dynamic belief networks .
   from probVariables import Variable
   from probGraphicalModels import GraphicalModel, BeliefNetwork
   from probFactors import Prob, Factor, CPD
   from probVE import VE
14
   from display import Displayable
   from utilities import dict_union
16
17
   class DBNvariable(Variable):
18
       """A random variable that incorporates the stage (time)
19
20
21
       A variable can have both a name and an index. The index defaults to 1.
22
       def __init__(self,name,domain=[False,True],index=1):
23
           Variable.__init__(self,f"{name}_{index}",domain)
24
           self.basename = name
25
26
           self.domain = domain
           self.index = index
27
           self.previous = None
28
29
       def __lt__(self,other):
30
           if self.name != other.name:
31
               return self.name<other.name</pre>
32
           else:
33
               return self.index<other.index</pre>
34
35
       def __gt__(self,other):
36
           return other<self</pre>
37
38
   def variable_pair(name,domain=[False,True]):
39
       """returns a variable and its predecessor. This is used to define
40
           2-stage DBNs
41
       If the name is X, it returns the pair of variables X_prev,X_now"""
42
       var_now = DBNvariable(name,domain,index='now')
43
       var_prev = DBNvariable(name,domain,index='prev')
44
       var_now.previous = var_prev
45
       return var_prev, var_now
```

A *FactorRename* is a factor that is the result renaming the variables in the factor. It takes a factor, *fac*, and a {*new* : *old*} dictionary, where *new* is the name of a variable in the resulting factor and *old* is the corresponding name in *fac*. This assumes that the all variables are renamed.

```
_probDBN.py — (continued) _
   class FactorRename(Factor):
48
       def __init__(self,fac,renaming):
49
           """A renamed factor.
50
           fac is a factor
51
52
           renaming is a dictionary of the form {new:old} where old and new
               var variables,
             where the variables in fac appear exactly once in the renaming
53
54
           Factor.__init__(self,[n for (n,o) in renaming.items() if o in
55
               fac.variables])
           self.orig_fac = fac
56
           self.renaming = renaming
58
       def get_value(self,assignment):
59
           return self.orig_fac.get_value({self.renaming[var]:val
60
61
                                          for (var,val) in assignment.items()
                                         if var in self.variables})
62
```

The following class renames the variables of a conditional probability distribution. It is used for template models (e.g., dynamic decision networks or relational models)

```
___probDBN.py — (continued)
   class CPDrename(FactorRename, CPD):
64
       def __init__(self, cpd, renaming):
65
           renaming_inverse = {old:new for (new,old) in renaming.items()}
66
           CPD.__init__(self,renaming_inverse[cpd.child],[renaming_inverse[p]
67
               for p in cpd.parents])
68
           self.orig_fac = cpd
           self.renaming = renaming
69
                                 \_probDBN.py - (continued) \_
   class DBN(Displayable):
71
       """The class of stationary Dynamic Belief networks.
72
       * name is the DBN name
73
       * vars_now is a list of current variables (each must have
74
       previous variable).
75
       * transition_factors is a list of factors for P(X|parents) where X
76
       is a current variable and parents is a list of current or previous
77
           variables.
       * init_factors is a list of factors for P(X|parents) where X is a
78
79
       current variable and parents can only include current variables
       The graph of transition factors + init factors must be acyclic.
80
81
82
       def __init__(self, title, vars_now, transition_factors=None,
           init_factors=None):
           self.title = title
84
           self.vars_now = vars_now
85
```

```
self.vars_prev = [v.previous for v in vars_now]
self.transition_factors = transition_factors
self.init_factors = init_factors
self.var_index = {} # var_index[v] is the index of variable v
for i,v in enumerate(vars_now):
self.var_index[v]=i
```

Here is a 3 variable DBN:

```
_probDBN.py — (continued)
    A0,A1 = variable_pair("A", domain=[False,True])
    B0,B1 = variable_pair("B", domain=[False,True])
    C0,C1 = variable_pair("C", domain=[False,True])
95
96
    # dynamics
97
    pc = Prob(C1,[B1,C0],[[[0.03,0.97],[0.38,0.62]],[[0.23,0.77],[0.78,0.22]]])
98
    pb = Prob(B1,[A0,A1],[[[0.5,0.5],[0.77,0.23]],[[0.4,0.6],[0.83,0.17]]])
99
    pa = Prob(A1, [A0, B0], [[[0.1, 0.9], [0.65, 0.35]], [[0.3, 0.7], [0.8, 0.2]]])
100
101
    # initial distribution
102
    pa0 = Prob(A1,[],[0.9,0.1])
103
    pb0 = Prob(B1,[A1],[[0.3,0.7],[0.8,0.2]])
104
    pc0 = Prob(C1,[],[0.2,0.8])
105
106
    dbn1 = DBN("Simple DBN",[A1,B1,C1],[pa,pb,pc],[pa0,pb0,pc0])
107
```

Here is the animal example

```
__probDBN.py — (continued) _
    from probHMM import closeMic, farMic, midMic, sm, mmc, sc, mcm, mcc
109
110
    Pos_0,Pos_1 = variable_pair("Position",domain=[0,1,2,3])
111
    Mic1_0,Mic1_1 = variable_pair("Mic1")
112
    Mic2_0,Mic2_1 = variable_pair("Mic2")
113
    Mic3_0,Mic3_1 = variable_pair("Mic3")
114
115
    # conditional probabilities - see hmm for the values of sm,mmc, etc
116
    ppos = Prob(Pos_1, [Pos_0],
117
               [[sm, mmc, mmc], #was in middle
118
                [mcm, sc, mcc, mcc], #was in corner 1
119
                [mcm, mcc, sc, mcc], #was in corner 2
120
                [mcm, mcc, mcc, sc]]) #was in corner 3
121
    pm1 = Prob(Mic1_1, [Pos_1], [[1-midMic, midMic], [1-closeMic, closeMic],
122
                              [1-farMic, farMic], [1-farMic, farMic]])
123
    pm2 = Prob(Mic2_1, [Pos_1], [[1-midMic, midMic], [1-farMic, farMic],
124
                              [1-closeMic, closeMic], [1-farMic, farMic]])
125
    pm3 = Prob(Mic3_1, [Pos_1], [[1-midMic, midMic], [1-farMic, farMic],
126
                              [1-farMic, farMic], [1-closeMic, closeMic]])
127
    ipos = Prob(Pos_1,[], [0.25, 0.25, 0.25, 0.25])
128
    dbn_an =DBN("Animal DBN",[Pos_1,Mic1_1,Mic2_1,Mic3_1],
129
               [ppos, pm1, pm2, pm3],
130
               [ipos, pm1, pm2, pm3])
131
```

9.10.2 Unrolling DBNs

```
_probDBN.py — (continued) _
    class BNfromDBN(BeliefNetwork):
133
        """Belief Network unrolled from a dynamic belief network
134
135
136
        def __init__(self,dbn,horizon):
137
            """dbn is the dynamic belief network being unrolled
138
           horizon>0 is the number of steps (so there will be horizon+1
139
                variables for each DBN variable.
140
            self.name2var = {var.basename:
141
                [DBNvariable(var.basename,var.domain,index) for index in
                range(horizon+1)]
                            for var in dbn.vars_now}
142
            self.display(1,f"name2var={self.name2var}")
143
           variables = {v for vs in self.name2var.values() for v in vs}
144
            self.display(1,f"variables={variables}")
145
           bnfactors = {CPDrename(fac,{self.name2var[var.basename][0]:var
146
                                           for var in fac.variables})
147
                         for fac in dbn.init_factors}
148
           bnfactors |=
149
                {CPDrename(fac,dict_union({self.name2var[var.basename][i]:var
                                           for var in fac.variables if
150
                                               var.index=='prev'}
                                      , {self.name2var[var.basename][i+1]:var
151
                                           for var in fac.variables if
152
                                               var.index=='now'}))
                         for fac in dbn.transition_factors
153
154
                             for i in range(horizon)}
155
            self.display(1,f"bnfactors={bnfactors}")
           BeliefNetwork.__init__(self, dbn.title, variables, bnfactors)
156
```

Here are two examples. Note that we need to use bn.name2var['B'][2] to get the variable B2 (B at time 2).

```
\_probDBN.py — (continued) \_
158
    #from probRC import ProbRC
159
    #bn = BNfromDBN(dbn1,2) # construct belief network
160
    #drc = ProbRC(bn)
                                   # initialize recursive conditioning
161
   #B2 = bn.name2var['B'][2]
162
    #drc.query(B2) #P(B2)
163
    #drc.query(bn.name2var['B'][1],{bn.name2var['B'][0]:True,bn.name2var['C'][1]:False})
164
        #P(B1|B0,C1)
```

9.10.3 DBN Filtering

If we only wanted to ask questions about the current state, we can save space by forgetting the history variables.

```
_probDBN.py — (continued)
    class DBNVEfilter(VE):
165
        def __init__(self,dbn):
166
            self.dbn = dbn
167
            self.current_factors = dbn.init_factors
168
            self.current_obs = {}
169
170
        def observe(self, obs):
171
            """updates the current observations with obs.
172
            obs is a variable: value dictionary where variable is a current
173
174
            variable.
175
            assert all(self.current_obs[var]==obs[var] for var in obs
176
                      if var in self.current_obs), "inconsistent current
177
                           observations"
            self.current_obs.update(obs) # note 'update' is a dict method
178
179
        def query(self,var):
180
            """returns the posterior probability of current variable var"""
181
            return
182
                VE(GraphicalModel(self.dbn.title,self.dbn.vars_now,self.current_factors)).query(var,se
183
184
        def advance(self):
            """advance to the next time"""
185
            prev_factors = [self.make_previous(fac) for fac in
186
                self.current_factors]
            prev_obs = {var.previous:val for var,val in
187
                self.current_obs.items()}
            two_stage_factors = prev_factors + self.dbn.transition_factors
188
            self.current_factors =
189
                self.elim_vars(two_stage_factors, self.dbn.vars_prev,prev_obs)
            self.current_obs = {}
190
191
192
        def make_previous(self,fac):
             """Creates new factor from fac where the current variables in fac
193
194
             are renamed to previous variables.
195
             return FactorRename(fac, {var.previous:var for var in
196
                 fac.variables})
197
        def elim_vars(self, factors, vars, obs):
198
            for var in vars:
199
                if var in obs:
200
                    factors = [self.project_observations(fac,obs) for fac in
201
                        factors]
202
                else:
203
                    factors = self.eliminate_var(factors, var)
            return factors
204
```

Example queries:

```
__probDBN.py — (continued)
    #df = DBNVEfilter(dbn1)
206
    #df.observe({B1:True}); df.advance(); df.observe({C1:False})
207
    #df.guery(B1) #P(B1|B0,C1)
208
    #df.advance(); df.query(B1)
209
    #dfa = DBNVEfilter(dbn_an)
210
   # dfa.observe({Mic1_1:0, Mic2_1:1, Mic3_1:1})
211
   # dfa.advance()
212
    # dfa.observe({Mic1_1:1, Mic2_1:0, Mic3_1:1})
213
214 # dfa.query(Pos_1)
```

9.11 Causal Models

A causal model can answer "do" questions.

The following adds the queryDo method to the InferenceMethod class, so it can be used with any inference method.

```
__probDo.py — Probabilistic inference with the do operator _
   from probGraphicalModels import InferenceMethod, BeliefNetwork
11
   from probFactors import CPD, ConstantCPD
12
   def queryDo(self, qvar, obs={}, do={}):
14
       assert isinstance(self.gm, BeliefNetwork), "Do only applies to belief
15
           networks"
       if do=={}:
16
           return self.query(qvar, obs)
17
       else:
18
           newfacs = ({f for (ch,f) in self.gm.var2cpt.items() if ch not in
19
               do} |
                          {ConstantCPD(v,c) for (v,c) in do.items()})
20
           self.modBN = BeliefNetwork(self.gm.title+"(mod)",
21
               self.gm.variables, newfacs)
           oldBN, self.gm = self.gm, self.modBN
22
           result = self.query(qvar, obs)
23
           self.gm = oldBN # restore original
24
           return result
25
26
  |InferenceMethod.queryDo = queryDo
```

```
## ProbRC(bn_sprinkler_soff).query(Shoes_wet) # should be same as previous
  ## bn_sprinklerv.queryDo(Season, obs={Sprinkler:"off"})
37
38 | ## bn_sprinklerv.queryDo(Season, do={Sprinkler:"off"})
                                 _probDo.py — (continued) _
   from probVariables import Variable
   from probFactors import Prob
41
   from probGraphicalModels import boolean
43
  |Drug_Prone = Variable("Drug_Prone", boolean, position=(0.1,0.5))
   Takes_Marijuana = Variable("Takes_Marijuana", boolean, position=(0.1,0.5))
   Side_Effects = Variable("Side_Effects", boolean, position=(0.1,0.5))
   Takes_Hard_Drugs = Variable("Takes_Hard_Drugs", boolean,
47
       position=(0.9, 0.5))
48
   p_dp = Prob(Drug_Prone, [], [0.8, 0.2])
49
  p_tm = Prob(Takes_Marijuana, [Drug_Prone], [[0.98, 0.02], [0.2, 0.8]])
50
   p_be = Prob(Side_Effects, [Takes_Marijuana], [[1, 0], [0.4, 0.6]])
51
   p_thd = Prob(Takes_Hard_Drugs, [Side_Effects, Drug_Prone],
                   # Drug_Prone=False Drug_Prone=True
53
                   [[[0.999, 0.001], [0.6, 0.4]], # Side_Effects=False
54
                    [[0.99999, 0.00001], [0.995, 0.005]]]) # Side_Effects=True
55
56
   drugs = BeliefNetwork("Gateway Drugs",
57
                      [Drug_Prone, Takes_Marijuana, Side_Effects, Takes_Hard_Drugs],
58
                      [p_dp, p_tm, p_be, p_thd])
59
```

drugsq.queryDo(Takes_Hard_Drugs, obs = {Takes_Marijuana: True})
drugsq.queryDo(Takes_Hard_Drugs, obs = {Takes_Marijuana: False})
drugsq.queryDo(Takes_Hard_Drugs, do = {Takes_Marijuana: True})
drugsq.queryDo(Takes_Hard_Drugs, do = {Takes_Marijuana: False})

drugsq = ProbRC(drugs)

61

drugsq.queryDo(Takes_Hard_Drugs)

Planning with Uncertainty

10.1 Decision Networks

The decision network code builds on the representation for belief networks of Chapter 9.

We first allow for factors that define the utility. Here the **utility** is a function of the variables in *vars*. In a **utility table** the utility is defined in terms of a, a list that enumerates the values as in Section 9.3.3.

```
_decnNetworks.py — Representations for Decision Networks _
  from probGraphicalModels import GraphicalModel, BeliefNetwork
   from probFactors import Factor, CPD, TabFactor, factor_times, Prob
   from probVariables import Variable
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
14
   class Utility(Factor):
16
        """A factor defining a utility"""
17
18
19
   class UtilityTable(TabFactor, Utility):
20
       """A factor defining a utility using a table"""
21
       def __init__(self, vars, table, position=None):
22
           """Creates a factor on vars from the table.
23
           The table is ordered according to vars.
24
25
           TabFactor.__init__(self,vars,table)
26
           self.position = position
```

A **decision variable** is a like a random variable with a string name, and a domain, which is a list of possible values. The decision variable also includes the parents, a list of the variables whose value will be known when the decision is made. It also includes a potion, which is only used for plotting.

```
class DecisionVariable(Variable):
    def __init__(self, name, domain, parents, position=None):
        Variable.__init__(self, name, domain, position)
        self.parents = parents
        self.all_vars = set(parents) | {self}
```

A decision network is a graphical model where the variables can be random variables or decision variables. Among the factors we assume there is one utility factor.

```
\_decnNetworks.py — (continued) \_
   class DecisionNetwork(BeliefNetwork):
35
36
       def __init__(self, title, vars, factors):
           """vars is a list of variables
37
           factors is a list of factors (instances of CPD and Utility)
38
           GraphicalModel.__init__(self, title, vars, factors) # don't call
40
               init for BeliefNetwork
           self.var2parents = ({v : v.parents for v in vars if
41
               isinstance(v,DecisionVariable)}
                       | {f.child:f.parents for f in factors if
42
                           isinstance(f,CPD)})
           self.children = {n:[] for n in self.variables}
43
           for v in self.var2parents:
44
              for par in self.var2parents[v]:
45
                   self.children[par].append(v)
46
           self.utility_factor = [f for f in factors if
47
               isinstance(f,Utility)][0]
           self.topological_sort_saved = None
48
```

The split order ensures that the parents of a decision node are split before the decision node, and no other variables (if that is possible).

```
_decnNetworks.py — (continued)
50
       def split_order(self):
           so = []
51
           tops = self.topological_sort()
52
            for v in tops:
53
               if isinstance(v,DecisionVariable):
54
                   so += [p for p in v.parents if p not in so]
55
                   so.append(v)
56
            so += [v for v in tops if v not in so]
57
            return so
58
                                  _decnNetworks.py — (continued) _
       def show(self):
60
           plt.ion() # interactive
61
           ax = plt.figure().gca()
62
           ax.set_axis_off()
63
           plt.title(self.title)
64
```

Umbrella Decision Network

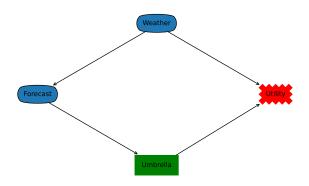


Figure 10.1: The umbrella decision network

```
for par in self.utility_factor.variables:
65
               ax.annotate("Utility", par.position,
66
                   xytext=self.utility_factor.position,
                                      arrowprops={'arrowstyle':'<-'},bbox=dict(boxstyle="sawtooth,pad=1</pre>
67
                                      ha='center')
68
           for var in reversed(self.topological_sort()):
69
               if isinstance(var, DecisionVariable):
70
                   bbox = dict(boxstyle="square,pad=1.0",color="green")
71
               else:
72
                  bbox = dict(boxstyle="round4,pad=1.0,rounding_size=0.5")
73
               if self.var2parents[var]:
74
                   for par in self.var2parents[var]:
75
                       ax.annotate(var.name, par.position, xytext=var.position,
76
                                      arrowprops={'arrowstyle':'<-'},bbox=bbox,</pre>
77
78
                                      ha='center')
               else:
79
                   x,y = var.position
80
                   plt.text(x,y,var.name,bbox=bbox,ha='center')
81
```

10.1.1 Example Decision Networks

Umbrella Decision Network

Here is a simple "umbrella" decision network. The output of umbrella_dn.show() is shown in Figure 10.1.

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The following is a variant with the umbrella decision having 2 parents; nothing else has changed. This is interesting because one of the parents is not needed; if the agent knows the weather, it can ignore the forecast.

```
decnNetworks.py — (continued)

96  Umbrella2p = DecisionVariable("Umbrella", ["Take", "Leave"], {Forecast, Weather}, position=(0.5,0))

97  umb_utility2p = UtilityTable([Weather, Umbrella2p], [[20, 100], [70, 0]], position=(1,0.4))

98  umbrella_dn2p = DecisionNetwork("Umbrella Decision Network (extra arc)",

99  {Weather, Forecast, Umbrella2p},

100  {p_weather, p_forecast, umb_utility2p})
```

Fire Decision Network

The fire decision network of Figure 10.2 (showing the result of fire_dn.show()) is represented as:

```
_decnNetworks.py — (continued) _
    boolean = [False, True]
    Alarm = Variable("Alarm", boolean, position=(0.25,0.633))
103
    Fire = Variable("Fire", boolean, position=(0.5,0.9))
104
    Leaving = Variable("Leaving", boolean, position=(0.25,0.366))
105
    Report = Variable("Report", boolean, position=(0.25,0.1))
106
    Smoke = Variable("Smoke", boolean, position=(0.75,0.633))
107
    Tamper = Variable("Tamper", boolean, position=(0,0.9))
108
109
    See_Sm = Variable("See_Sm", boolean, position=(0.75,0.366) )
110
    Chk_Sm = DecisionVariable("Chk_Sm", boolean, {Report}, position=(0.5,
111
        0.366))
    Call = DecisionVariable("Call", boolean, {See_Sm, Chk_Sm, Report},
112
        position=(0.75, 0.1))
113
    f_ta = Prob(Tamper,[],[0.98,0.02])
114
|f_f| = Prob(Fire,[],[0.99,0.01])
   f_{sm} = Prob(Smoke, [Fire], [[0.99, 0.01], [0.1, 0.9]])
116
    f_{al} = Prob(Alarm, [Fire, Tamper], [[[0.9999, 0.0001], [0.15, 0.85]], [[0.01, 0.001], [0.15, 0.85]])
        0.99], [0.5, 0.5]]])
```

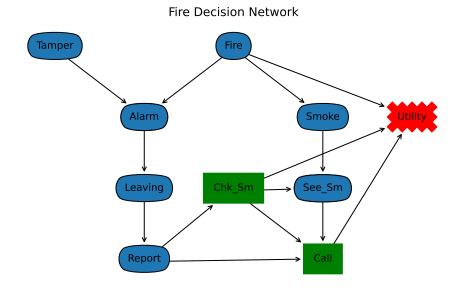


Figure 10.2: Fire Decision Network

```
f_{lv} = Prob(Leaving, [Alarm], [[0.999, 0.001], [0.12, 0.88]])
    f_re = Prob(Report, [Leaving], [[0.99, 0.01], [0.25, 0.75]])
119
    f_ss = Prob(See_Sm,[Chk_Sm,Smoke],[[[1,0],[1,0]],[[1,0],[0,1]]])
120
121
    ut =
122
         UtilityTable([Chk_Sm,Fire,Call],[[[0,-200],[-5000,-200]],[[-20,-220],[-5020,-220]]],
         position=(1,0.633))
123
124
    fire_dn = DecisionNetwork("Fire Decision Network",
125
                              {Tamper, Fire, Alarm, Leaving, Smoke, Call, See_Sm, Chk_Sm, Report},
                              \{f_{ta}, f_{fi}, f_{sm}, f_{al}, f_{lv}, f_{re}, f_{ss}, ut\}
126
```

Cheating Decision Network

The following is the representation of the cheating decision of Figure 10.3. Note that we keep the names of the variables short (less than 8 characters) so that the tables look good when printed.

```
decnNetworks.py — (continued)

128 grades = ['A','B','C','F']

129 Watched = Variable("Watched", boolean, position=(0,0.9))

130 Caught1 = Variable("Caught1", boolean, position=(0.2,0.7))

131 Caught2 = Variable("Caught2", boolean, position=(0.6,0.7))
```

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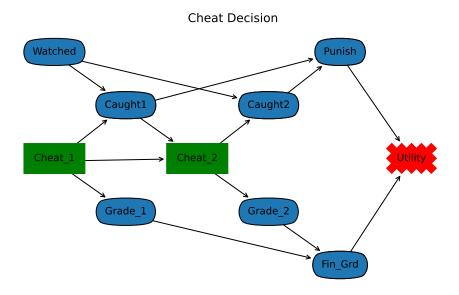


Figure 10.3: Cheating Decision Network

```
Punish = Variable("Punish", ["None", "Suspension", "Recorded"],
132
        position=(0.8, 0.9))
    Grade_1 = Variable("Grade_1", grades, position=(0.2,0.3))
133
    Grade_2 = Variable("Grade_2", grades, position=(0.6,0.3))
    Fin_Grd = Variable("Fin_Grd", grades, position=(0.8,0.1))
135
    Cheat_1 = DecisionVariable("Cheat_1", boolean, set(), position=(0,0.5))
136
        #no parents
    Cheat_2 = DecisionVariable("Cheat_2", boolean, {Cheat_1,Caught1},
137
        position=(0.4,0.5))
138
    p_{wa} = Prob(Watched, [], [0.7, 0.3])
139
    p_cc1 = Prob(Caught1,[Watched,Cheat_1],[[[1.0, 0.0], [0.9, 0.1]], [[1.0,
140
        0.0], [0.5, 0.5]]])
    p_cc2 = Prob(Caught2,[Watched,Cheat_2],[[[1.0, 0.0], [0.9, 0.1]], [[1.0,
141
        0.0], [0.5, 0.5]])
    p_pun = Prob(Punish, [Caught1, Caught2], [[[1.0, 0.0, 0.0], [0.5, 0.4, 0.1]],
142
        [[0.6, 0.2, 0.2], [0.2, 0.5, 0.3]]])
    p_gr1 = Prob(Grade_1,[Cheat_1], [{'A':0.2, 'B':0.3, 'C':0.3, 'D': 0.2},
143
        {'A':0.5, 'B':0.3, 'C':0.2, 'D':0.0}])
    p_gr2 = Prob(Grade_2,[Cheat_2], [{'A':0.2, 'B':0.3, 'C':0.3, 'D': 0.2},
144
        {'A':0.5, 'B':0.3, 'C':0.2, 'D':0.0}])
    p_fg = Prob(Fin_Grd,[Grade_1,Grade_2],
145
           {'A':{'A':{'A':1.0, 'B':0.0, 'C': 0.0, 'D':0.0},
146
                 'B': {'A':0.5, 'B':0.5, 'C': 0.0, 'D':0.0},
147
```

```
'C':{'A':0.25, 'B':0.5, 'C': 0.25, 'D':0.0},
148
149
                  'D':{'A':0.25, 'B':0.25, 'C': 0.25, 'D':0.25}},
             'B':{'A':{'A':0.5, 'B':0.5, 'C': 0.0, 'D':0.0},
150
                  'B': {'A':0.0, 'B':1, 'C': 0.0, 'D':0.0},
151
                  'C':{'A':0.0, 'B':0.5, 'C': 0.5, 'D':0.0},
152
                  'D':{'A':0.0, 'B':0.25, 'C': 0.5, 'D':0.25}},
153
             'C':{'A':{'A':0.25, 'B':0.5, 'C': 0.25, 'D':0.0},
154
                  'B': {'A':0.0, 'B':0.5, 'C': 0.5, 'D':0.0},
155
                  'C':{'A':0.0, 'B':0.0, 'C': 1, 'D':0.0},
156
                  'D':{'A':0.0, 'B':0.0, 'C': 0.5, 'D':0.5}},
157
             'D':{'A':{'A':0.25, 'B':0.25, 'C': 0.25, 'D':0.25},
158
                  'B': {'A':0.0, 'B':0.25, 'C': 0.5, 'D':0.25},
159
                  'C':{'A':0.0, 'B':0.0, 'C': 0.5, 'D':0.5},
160
                  'D':{'A':0.0, 'B':0.0, 'C': 0, 'D':1.0}}})
161
162
    utc = UtilityTable([Punish,Fin_Grd],{'None':{'A':100, 'B':90, 'C': 70,
163
        'D':50},
                                        'Suspension':{'A':40, 'B':20, 'C': 10,
164
                                            'D':0},
                                        'Recorded':{'A':70, 'B':60, 'C': 40,
165
                                            'D':20}}, position=(1,0.5))
166
    cheat_dn = DecisionNetwork("Cheat Decision",
167
                               {Punish, Caught2, Watched, Fin_Grd, Grade_2, Grade_1, Cheat_2, Caught1, Cheat_1}
168
                               {p_wa, p_cc1, p_cc2, p_pun, p_gr1,
169
                                   p_gr2,p_fg,utc})
```

Chain of 3 decisions

The following example is a finite-stage fully-observable Markov decision process with a single reward (utility) at the end. It is interesting because the parents do not include all predecessors. The methods we use will work without change on this, even though the agent does not condition on all of its previous observations and actions. The output of ch3.show() is shown in Figure 10.4.

```
_decnNetworks.py — (continued)
    S0 = Variable('S0', boolean, position=(0,0.5))
171
    D0 = DecisionVariable('D0', boolean, {S0}, position=(1/7,0.1))
172
    S1 = Variable('S1', boolean, position=(2/7,0.5))
173
   D1 = DecisionVariable('D1', boolean, {S1}, position=(3/7,0.1))
174
    S2 = Variable('S2', boolean, position=(4/7,0.5))
175
    D2 = DecisionVariable('D2', boolean, {S2}, position=(5/7,0.1))
176
    S3 = Variable('S3', boolean, position=(6/7,0.5))
177
178
179
    p_s0 = Prob(S0, [], [0.5, 0.5])
    tr = [[[0.1, 0.9], [0.9, 0.1]], [[0.2, 0.8], [0.8, 0.2]]] # 0 is flip, 1
180
        is keep value
   p_s1 = Prob(S1, [D0,S0], tr)
181
    p_s2 = Prob(S2, [D1,S1], tr)
182
p_s3 = Prob(S3, [D2,S2], tr)
```

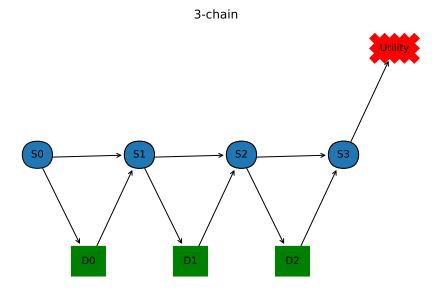


Figure 10.4: A decision network that is a chain of 3 decisions

10.1.2 Recursive Conditioning for decision networks

An instance of a RC_DN object takes in a decision network. The query method uses recursive conditioning to compute the expected utility of the optimal policy. self.opt_policy becomes the optimal policy.

```
_decnNetworks.py — (continued)
    import math
192
    from probGraphicalModels import GraphicalModel, InferenceMethod
193
    from probFactors import Factor
194
    from utilities import dict_union
195
    from probRC import connected_components
196
197
    class RC_DN(InferenceMethod):
198
        """The class that queries graphical models using recursive conditioning
199
```

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```
200
201
        gm is graphical model to query
202
203
        def __init__(self,gm=None):
204
            self.gm = gm
205
206
            self.cache = {(frozenset(), frozenset()):1}
            ## self.max_display_level = 3
207
208
        def optimize(self, split_order=None):
209
            """computes expected utility, and creates optimal decision
210
                functions, where
            elim_order is a list of the non-observed non-query variables in gm
211
212
            if split_order == None:
213
                split_order = self.gm.split_order()
214
            self.opt_policy = {}
215
            return self.rc({}, self.gm.factors, split_order)
216
```

The following us the simplest search-based algorithm. It is exponential in the number of variables, so is not very useful. However, it is simple, and useful to understand before looking at the more complicated algorithm. Note that the above code does not call rc0; you will need to change the self.rc to self.rc0 in above code to use it.

```
_decnNetworks.py — (continued)
218
        def rc0(self, context, factors, split_order):
            """simplest search algorithm"""
219
            self.display(2, "calling rc0,", (context, factors), "with
220
                SO", split_order)
            if not factors:
221
                return 1
222
            elif to_eval := {fac for fac in factors if
223
                fac.can_evaluate(context)}:
                self.display(3,"rc0 evaluating factors",to_eval)
224
                val = math.prod(fac.get_value(context) for fac in to_eval)
225
                return val * self.rc0(context, factors-to_eval, split_order)
226
227
            else:
                var = split_order[0]
228
                self.display(3, "rc0 branching on", var)
229
                if isinstance(var, DecisionVariable):
230
                    assert set(context) <= set(var.parents), f"cannot optimize</pre>
231
                        {var} in context {context}"
                    maxres = -math.inf
232
                    for val in var.domain:
233
                        self.display(3,"In rc0, branching on",var,"=",val)
234
                       newres = self.rc0(dict_union({var:val},context),
235
                            factors, split_order[1:])
                       if newres > maxres:
236
                           maxres = newres
237
                            theval = val
238
```

```
self.opt_policy[frozenset(context.items())] = (var,theval)
239
                   return maxres
240
                else:
241
                   total = 0
242
                   for val in var.domain:
243
                       total += self.rc0(dict_union({var:val},context),
244
                            factors, split_order[1:])
                   self.display(3, "rc0 branching on", var, "returning", total)
245
                   return total
246
```

We can combine the optimization for decision networks above, with the improvements of recursive conditioning used for graphical models (Section 9.6, page 188).

```
__decnNetworks.py — (continued)
        def rc(self, context, factors, split_order):
248
            """ returns the number \sum_{split_order} \prod_{factors} given
249
                assignments in context
            context is a variable: value dictionary
250
            factors is a set of factors
251
            split_order is a list of variables in factors that are not in
252
                context
253
254
            self.display(3, "calling rc,",(context, factors))
            ce = (frozenset(context.items()), frozenset(factors)) # key for the
255
                cache entry
            if ce in self.cache:
256
               self.display(2,"rc cache lookup",(context,factors))
257
                return self.cache[ce]
258
            if not factors: # no factors; needed if you don't have forgetting
259
        and caching
    #
                return 1
260
            elif vars_not_in_factors := {var for var in context
261
                                           if not any(var in fac.variables for
262
                                               fac in factors)}:
                # forget variables not in any factor
263
                self.display(3,"rc forgetting variables", vars_not_in_factors)
264
                return self.rc({key:val for (key,val) in context.items()
265
                                   if key not in vars_not_in_factors},
266
267
                               factors, split_order)
            elif to_eval := {fac for fac in factors if
268
                fac.can_evaluate(context)}:
               # evaluate factors when all variables are assigned
269
               self.display(3,"rc evaluating factors",to_eval)
270
271
               val = math.prod(fac.get_value(context) for fac in to_eval)
                if val == 0:
272
                   return 0
273
               else:
274
                return val * self.rc(context, {fac for fac in factors if fac
275
                    not in to_eval}, split_order)
```

```
elif len(comp := connected_components(context, factors,
276
                split_order)) > 1:
                # there are disconnected components
277
                self.display(2,"splitting into connected components",comp)
278
                return(math.prod(self.rc(context,f,eo) for (f,eo) in comp))
279
            else:
280
281
                assert split_order, f"split_order empty rc({context},{factors})"
                var = split_order[0]
282
               self.display(3, "rc branching on", var)
283
                if isinstance(var, DecisionVariable):
284
                   assert set(context) <= set(var.parents), f"cannot optimize</pre>
285
                       {var} in context {context}"
                   maxres = -math.inf
286
                   for val in var.domain:
287
                       self.display(3,"In rc, branching on",var,"=",val)
288
                       newres = self.rc(dict_union({var:val},context), factors,
289
                           split_order[1:])
                       if newres > maxres:
290
                           maxres = newres
291
                           theval = val
292
                   self.opt_policy[frozenset(context.items())] = (var,theval)
293
                   self.cache[ce] = maxres
294
                   return maxres
295
                else:
296
                   total = 0
297
                   for val in var.domain:
298
                       total += self.rc(dict_union({var:val},context), factors,
299
                           split_order[1:])
                   self.display(3, "rc branching on", var, "returning", total)
300
                   self.cache[ce] = total
301
                   return total
302
```

Here is how to run the optimize the example decision networks:

```
_decnNetworks.py — (continued)
    # Umbrella decision network
304
305
    #urc = RC_DN(umberella_dn)
    #urc.optimize()
306
    #urc.opt_policy
307
308
    #rc_fire = RC_DN(fire_dn)
309
310
    #rc_fire.optimize()
    #rc_fire.opt_policy
311
312
    #rc_cheat = RC_DN(cheat_dn)
313
314
    #rc_cheat.optimize()
315
    #rc_cheat.opt_policy
316
    \#rc\_ch3 = RC\_DN(ch3)
317
   | #rc_ch3.optimize()
   #rc_ch3.opt_policy
319
```

10.1.3 Variable elimination for decision networks

VE_DN is variable elimination for decision networks. The method *optimize* is used to optimize all the decisions. Note that *optimize* requires a legal elimination ordering of the random and decision variables, otherwise it will give an exception. (A decision node can only be maximized if the variables that are not its parents have already been eliminated.)

```
___decnNetworks.py — (continued) __
    from probVE import VE
321
322
    class VE_DN(VE):
323
        """Variable Elimination for Decision Networks"""
324
        def __init__(self,dn=None):
325
            """dn is a decision network"""
326
            VE.__init__(self,dn)
327
            self.dn = dn
328
329
        def optimize(self,elim_order=None,obs={}):
330
            if elim_order == None:
331
                   elim_order = reversed(self.gm.split_order())
332
            policy = []
333
            proj_factors = [self.project_observations(fact,obs)
334
                               for fact in self.dn.factors]
335
            for v in elim_order:
336
                if isinstance(v,DecisionVariable):
337
                    to_max = [fac for fac in proj_factors
338
                             if v in fac.variables and set(fac.variables) <=</pre>
339
                                  v.all_vars]
                    assert len(to_max)==1, "illegal variable order
340
                        "+str(elim_order)+" at "+str(v)
                   newFac = FactorMax(v, to_max[0])
341
                   policy.append(newFac.decision_fun)
342
                   proj_factors = [fac for fac in proj_factors if fac is not
343
                        to_max[0]]+[newFac]
                    self.display(2, "maximizing", v, "resulting
344
                        factor",newFac.brief() )
                   self.display(3,newFac)
345
346
                else:
                    proj_factors = self.eliminate_var(proj_factors, v)
347
            assert len(proj_factors)==1, "Should there be only one element of
348
                proj_factors?"
            value = proj_factors[0].get_value({})
349
350
            return value,policy
                                  _decnNetworks.py — (continued)
    class FactorMax(Factor):
        """A factor obtained by maximizing a variable in a factor.
353
        Also builds a decision_function. This is based on FactorSum.
354
355
```

```
356
357
        def __init__(self, dvar, factor):
            """dvar is a decision variable.
358
            factor is a factor that contains dvar and only parents of dvar
359
360
            self.dvar = dvar
361
362
            self.factor = factor
            vars = [v for v in factor.variables if v is not dvar]
363
            Factor.__init__(self,vars)
364
            self.values = [None]*self.size
365
            self.decision_fun = FactorDF(dvar, vars, [None]*self.size)
366
367
        def get_value(self,assignment):
368
            """lazy implementation: if saved, return saved value, else compute
369
                it"""
            index = self.assignment_to_index(assignment)
370
            if self.values[index]:
371
                return self.values[index]
372
            else:
373
                max_val = float("-inf") # -infinity
374
                new_asst = assignment.copy()
375
                for elt in self.dvar.domain:
376
                   new_asst[self.dvar] = elt
377
                   fac_val = self.factor.get_value(new_asst)
378
                   if fac_val>max_val:
379
                       max_val = fac_val
380
                       best elt = elt
381
382
                self.values[index] = max_val
                self.decision_fun.values[index] = best_elt
383
                return max_val
384
```

A decision function is a stored factor.

```
decnNetworks.py — (continued)

class FactorDF(TabFactor):

"""A decision function"""

def __init__(self,dvar, vars, values):

TabStored.__init__(self,vars,values)

self.dvar = dvar

self.name = str(dvar) # Used in printing
```

Here are some example queries:

```
decnNetworks.py — (continued)

# Example queries:

# v,p = VE_DN(fire_dn).optimize(); print(v)

# for df in p: print(df,"\n")

# VE_DN.max_display_level = 3 # if you want to show lots of detail

# v,p = VE_DN(cheat_dn).optimize(); print(v)

# for df in p: print(df,"\n") # print decision functions
```

10.2 Markov Decision Processes

We will represent a **Markov decision process** (**MDP**) directly, rather than using the recursive conditioning or variable elimination code, as we did for decision networks.

```
___mdpProblem.py — Representations for Markov Decision Processes ____
   from utilities import argmaxd
12
   import random
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
   from matplotlib.widgets import Button, CheckButtons
14
15
   class MDP(object):
16
       """A Markov Decision Process. Must define:
17
       self.states the set (or list) of states
18
       self.actions the set (or list) of actions
19
       self.discount a real-valued discount
20
21
22
       def __init__(self, states, actions, discount, init=0):
23
           self.states = states
24
           self.actions = actions
25
           self.discount = discount
26
27
           self.initv = self.v = {s:init for s in self.states}
           self.initq = self.q = {s: {a: init for a in self.actions} for s in
28
               self.states}
29
       def P(self,s,a):
30
           """Transition probability function
31
           returns a dictionary of \{s1:p1\} such that P(s1 \mid s,a)=p1. Other
32
               probabilities are zero.
33
           raise NotImplementedError("P") # abstract method
34
35
       def R(self,s,a):
36
           """Reward function R(s,a)
37
           returns the expected reward for doing a in state s.
38
39
40
           raise NotImplementedError("R") # abstract method
```

Two state partying example (Example 9.27 in Poole and Mackworth [2017]):

```
___mdpExamples.py — MDP Examples ___
11
   from mdpProblem import MDP, GridMDP
12
13
   class party(MDP):
       """Simple 2-state, 2-Action Partying MDP Example"""
14
       def __init__(self, discount=0.9):
15
           states = {'healthy','sick'}
16
           actions = {'relax', 'party'}
17
           MDP.__init__(self, states, actions, discount)
18
```

```
19
20
       def R(self,s,a):
           "R(s,a)"
21
           return { 'healthy': {'relax': 7, 'party': 10},
22
23
                    'sick': {'relax': 0, 'party': 2 }}[s][a]
24
25
       def P(self,s,a):
           "returns a dictionary of \{s1:p1\} such that P(s1 \mid s,a)=p1. Other
26
               probabilities are zero."
           phealthy = { # P('healthy' | s, a)
27
                       'healthy': {'relax': 0.95, 'party': 0.7},
28
                       'sick': {'relax': 0.5, 'party': 0.1 }}[s][a]
29
           return {'healthy':phealthy, 'sick':1-phealthy}
```

The next example is the tiny game from Example 12.1 and Figure 12.1 of Poole and Mackworth [2017]. The state is represented as (x, y) where x counts from zero from the left, and y counts from zero upwards, so the state (0,0) is on the bottom-left state. The actions are upC for up-careful, and upR for up-risky. (Note that GridMDP is just a type of MDP for which we have methods to show; you can assume it is just MDP here).

```
_{\rm mdpExamples.py} — (continued) _{\rm mdpExamples.py}
   class MDPtiny(GridMDP):
33
       def __init__(self, discount=0.9):
34
35
           actions = ['right', 'upC', 'left', 'upR']
           self.x_dim = 2 # x-dimension
36
           self.y_dim = 3
37
           states = [(x,y) for x in range(self.x_dim) for y in
38
                range(self.y_dim)]
           # for GridMDP
39
           self.xoff = {'right':0.25, 'upC':0, 'left':-0.25, 'upR':0}
40
           self.yoff = {'right':0, 'upC':-0.25, 'left':0, 'upR':0.25}
41
           GridMDP.__init__(self, states, actions, discount)
42
43
       def P(self,s,a):
44
           """return a dictionary of \{s1:p1\} if P(s1 \mid s,a)=p1. Other
45
                probabilities are zero.
46
47
           (x,y) = s
           if a == 'right':
48
49
               return {(1,y):1}
           elif a == 'upC':
50
               return \{(x, min(y+1, 2)):1\}
51
52
           elif a == 'left':
               if (x,y) == (0,2): return \{(0,0):1\}
53
               else: return {(0,y): 1}
           elif a == 'upR':
55
               if x==0:
56
                   if y<2: return \{(x,y):0.1, (x+1,y):0.1, (x,y+1):0.8\}
57
                   else: # at (0,2)
58
                       return {(0,0):0.1, (1,2): 0.1, (0,2): 0.8}
59
```

```
60
               elif y < 2: # x==1
61
                   return {(0,y):0.1, (1,y):0.1, (1,y+1):0.8}
               else: # at (1,2)
62
                  return {(0,2):0.1, (1,2): 0.9}
63
64
       def R(self,s,a):
65
           (x,y) = s
66
           if a == 'right':
67
               return [0,-1][x]
           elif a == 'upC':
69
               return [-1,-1,-2][y]
70
           elif a == 'left':
71
               if x==0:
72
                   return [-1, -100, 10][y]
73
               else: return 0
74
           elif a == 'upR':
75
               return [[-0.1, -10, 0.2],[-0.1, -0.1, -0.9]][x][y]
76
                   # at (0,2) reward is 0.1*10+0.8*-1=0.2
77
```

Here is the domain of Example 9.28 of Poole and Mackworth [2017]. Here the state is represented as (x, y) where x counts from zero from the left, and y counts from zero upwards, so the state (0, 0) is on the bottom-left state.

```
_{\rm mdpExamples.py} — (continued)
79
    class grid(GridMDP):
        """ x_dim * y_dim grid with rewarding states"""
80
        def __init__(self, discount= 0.9, x_dim=10, y_dim=10):
81
            self.x_dim = x_dim # size in x-direction
82
            self.y_dim = y_dim # size in y-direction
            actions = ['up', 'down', 'right', 'left']
84
            states = [(x,y) for x in range(y_dim) for y in range(y_dim)
            self.rewarding_states = \{(3,2):-10, (3,5):-5, (8,2):10, (7,7):3\}
86
            self.fling\_states = \{(8,2), (7,7)\}
87
            self.xoff = {'right':0.25, 'up':0, 'left':-0.25, 'down':0}
88
            self.yoff = {'right':0, 'up':0.25, 'left':0, 'down':-0.25}
89
            GridMDP.__init__(self, states, actions, discount)
90
91
        def intended_next(self,s,a):
92
            """returns the next state in the direction a.
93
            This is where the agent will end up if to goes in its
94
                intended_direction
                 (which it does with probability 0.7).
95
96
97
            (x,y) = s
            if a=='up':
98
                return (x, y+1 if y+1 < self.y_dim else y)</pre>
            if a=='down':
100
                return (x, y-1 \text{ if } y > 0 \text{ else } y)
101
            if a=='right':
102
                return (x+1 if x+1 < self.x_dim else x,y)</pre>
103
            if a=='left':
104
```

```
return (x-1 if x > 0 else x,y)
105
106
        def P(self,s,a):
107
            """return a dictionary of \{s1:p1\} if P(s1 \mid s,a)=p1. Other
108
                probabilities are zero.
            Corners are tricky because different actions result in same state.
109
110
            if s in self.fling_states:
111
                return \{(0,0): 0.25, (self.x_dim-1,0): 0.25,
112
                    (0, self.y_dim-1):0.25, (self.x_dim-1, self.y_dim-1):0.25}
            res = dict()
113
            for ai in self.actions:
114
                s1 = self.intended_next(s,ai)
115
                ps1 = 0.7 if ai == a else 0.1
116
                if s1 in res: # occurs in corners
117
                    res[s1] += ps1
118
                else:
119
                    res[s1] = ps1
120
121
            return res
122
        def R(self,s,a):
123
             if s in self.rewarding_states:
124
                 return self.rewarding_states[s]
125
             else:
126
                 (x,y) = s
127
                 rew = 0
128
                 # rewards from crashing:
129
130
                 if y==0: ## on bottom.
                     rew += -0.7 if a == 'down' else -0.1
131
                 if y==self.y_dim-1: ## on top.
132
                     rew += -0.7 if a == 'up' else -0.1
133
                 if x==0: ## on left
134
                     rew += -0.7 if a == 'left' else -0.1
135
                 if x==self.x_dim-1: ## on right.
136
                     rew += -0.7 if a == 'right' else -0.1
137
138
                 return rew
```

10.2.1 Value Iteration

This implements value iteration.

This uses indexes of the states and actions (not the names). The value function is represented so v[s] is the value of state with index s. A Q function is represented so q[s][a] is the value for doing action with index a state with index s. Similarly a policy π is represented as a list where pi[s], where s is the index of a state, returns the index of the action.

```
_____mdpProblem.py — (continued) ______
42 | def vi(self, n):
```

```
"""carries out n iterations of value iteration, updating value
43
               function self.v
           Returns a Q-function, value function, policy
45
           print("calling vi")
           assert n>0, "You must carry out at least one iteration of vi.
47
               n="+str(n)
           #v = v0 if v0 is not None else {s:0 for s in self.states}
48
           for i in range(n):
49
               self.q = \{s: \{a: self.R(s,a)+self.discount*sum(p1*self.v[s1])\}
50
                                                          for (s1,p1) in
51
                                                              self.P(s,a).items())
                        for a in self.actions}
52
                   for s in self.states}
53
              self.v = {s: max(self.q[s][a] for a in self.actions)
54
                    for s in self.states}
55
           self.pi = {s: argmaxd(self.q[s])
56
                    for s in self.states}
57
           return self.q, self.v, self.pi
58
```

The following shows how this can be used.

```
_{\sf mdpExamples.py} — (continued) _{\sf mdpExamples.py}
140
    ## Testing value iteration
    # Try the following:
141
    # pt = party(discount=0.9)
142
    # pt.vi(1)
143
    # pt.vi(100)
144
145
    # party(discount=0.99).vi(100)
    # party(discount=0.4).vi(100)
146
    # gr = grid()
148
    # gr.show()
149
    |# q,v,pi = gr.vi(100)
150
151 | # q[(7,2)]
```

10.2.2 Showing Grid MDPs

A GridMDP is a type of MDP where we the states are (x,y) positions. It is a special sort of MDP only because we have methods to show it.

```
class GridMDP(MDP):
    def __init__(self, states, actions, discount):
        MDP.__init__(self, states, actions, discount)

def show(self):
    #plt.ion() # interactive
    fig,(self.ax) = plt.subplots()
    plt.subplots_adjust(bottom=0.2)
```

```
stepB = Button(plt.axes([0.8,0.05,0.1,0.075]), "step")
68
69
            stepB.on_clicked(self.on_step)
            resetB = Button(plt.axes([0.6,0.05,0.1,0.075]), "reset")
70
            resetB.on_clicked(self.on_reset)
71
            self.qcheck = CheckButtons(plt.axes([0.2,0.05,0.35,0.075]),
72
                                         ["show q-values", "show policy"])
73
            self.qcheck.on_clicked(self.show_vals)
75
            self.show_vals(None)
            plt.show()
76
77
        def show_vals(self,event):
78
            self.ax.cla()
79
            array = [[self.v[(x,y)] for x in range(self.x_dim)]
80
                                               for y in range(self.y_dim)]
81
            self.ax.pcolormesh([x-0.5 for x in range(self.x_dim+1)],
82
                                 [x-0.5 for x in range(self.y_dim+1)],
83
                                 array, edgecolors='black',cmap='summer')
84
               # for cmap see
85
                    https://matplotlib.org/stable/tutorials/colors/colormaps.html
            if self.qcheck.get_status()[1]: # "show policy"
86
                   for (x,y) in self.q:
87
                      maxv = max(self.q[(x,y)][a] for a in self.actions)
                      for a in self.actions:
89
                          if self.q[(x,y)][a] == maxv:
90
91
                             # draw arrow in appropriate direction
                             self.ax.arrow(x,y,self.xoff[a]*2,self.yoff[a]*2,
92
                                      color='red',width=0.05, head_width=0.2,
93
                                          length_includes_head=True)
            if self.qcheck.get_status()[0]: # "show q-values"
94
               self.show_q(event)
95
            else:
96
               self.show_v(event)
97
            self.ax.set_xticks(range(self.x_dim))
98
99
            self.ax.set_xticklabels(range(self.x_dim))
            self.ax.set_yticks(range(self.y_dim))
100
            self.ax.set_yticklabels(range(self.y_dim))
101
            plt.draw()
102
103
        def on_step(self,event):
104
            self.vi(1)
105
            self.show_vals(event)
106
107
        def show_v(self,event):
108
            """show values"""
109
            for (x,y) in self.v:
110
               self.ax.text(x,y,"{val:.2f}".format(val=self.v[(x,y)]),ha='center')
111
112
        def show_q(self,event):
113
            """show q-values"""
114
115
            for (x,y) in self.q:
```

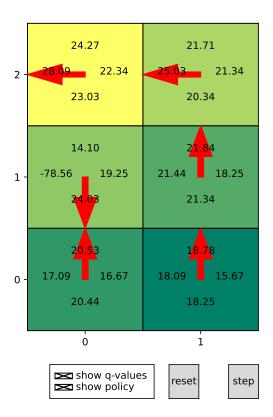


Figure 10.5: Interface for tiny example, after a number of steps. Each rectangle represents a state. In each rectangle are the 4 Q-values for the state. The leftmost number is the for the left action; the rightmost number is for the right action; the upper most is for the upR (up-risky) action and the lowest number is for the upC action. The arrow points to the action(s) with the maximum Q-value.

Figure 10.5 shows the user interface, which can be obtained using tiny().show(), resizing it, checking "show q-values" and "show policy", and clicking "step" a few times.

Figure 10.6 shows the user interface, which can be obtained using grid(). show(),

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resizing it, checking "show q-values" and "show policy", and clicking "step" a few times.

Exercise 10.1 Computing q before v may seem like a waste of space because we don't need to store q in order to compute value function or the policy. Change the algorithm so that it loops through the states and actions once per iteration, and only stores the value function and the policy. Note that to get the same results as before, you would need to make sure that you use the previous value of v in the computation not the current value of v. Does using the current value of v hurt the algorithm or make it better (in approaching the actual value function)?

10.2.3 Asynchronous Value Iteration

This implements asynchronous value iteration, storing *Q*.

A Q function is represented so q[s][a] is the value for doing action with index a state with index s.

```
_{\mathsf{mdpProblem.py}} — (continued)
125
        def avi(self,n):
              states = list(self.states)
126
127
              actions = list(self.actions)
              for i in range(n):
128
                   s = random.choice(states)
129
                   a = random.choice(actions)
130
                   self.q[s][a] = (self.R(s,a) + self.discount *
131
                                       sum(p1 * max(self.q[s1][a1]
132
133
                                                          for a1 in self.actions)
                                             for (s1,p1) in self.P(s,a).items()))
134
              return Q
135
```

The following shows how avi can be used.

```
_{\rm mdpExamples.py} — (continued)
    ## Testing asynchronous value iteration
154
    # Try the following:
155
    # pt = party(discount=0.9)
156
    # pt.avi(10)
157
    # pt.vi(1000)
158
159
    # gr = grid()
160
   | # q = gr.avi(100000)
161
162 | # q[(7,2)]
```

Exercise 10.2 Implement value iteration that stores the V-values rather than the Q-values. Does it work better than storing Q? (What might better mean?)

Exercise 10.3 In asynchronous value iteration, try a number of different ways to choose the states and actions to update (e.g., sweeping through the state-action pairs, choosing them at random). Note that the best way may be to determine

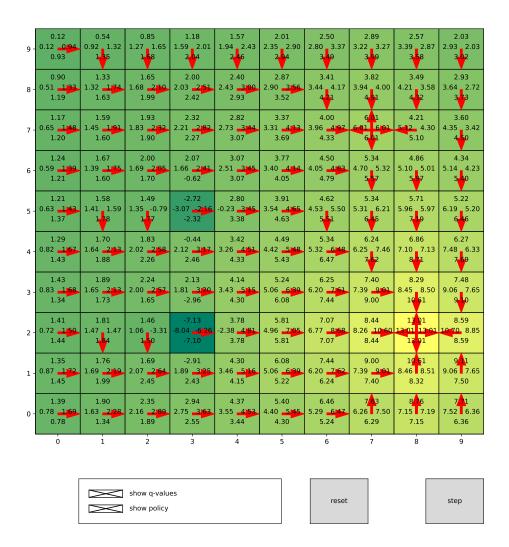


Figure 10.6: Interface for grid example, after a number of steps. Each rectangle represents a state. In each rectangle are the 4 Q-values for the state. The leftmost number is the for the left action; the rightmost number is for the right action; the upper most is for the up action and the lowest number is for the down action. The arrow points to the action(s) with the maximum Q-value.

which states have had their Q-values change the most, and then update the previous ones, but that is not so straightforward to implement, because you need to find those previous states.

Learning with Uncertainty

11.1 K-means

The k-means learner maintains two lists that suffice as sufficient statistics to classify examples, and to learn the classification:

- *class_counts* is a list such that *class_counts*[c] is the number of examples in the training set with class = c.
- *feature_sum* is a list such that *feature_sum*[*i*][*c*] is sum of the values for the *i*′th feature *i* for members of class *c*. The average value of the *i*th feature in class *i* is

```
\frac{feature\_sum[i][c]}{class\_counts[c]}
```

The class is initialized by randomly assigning examples to classes, and updating the statistics for *class_counts* and *feature_sum*.

```
_learnKMeans.py — k-means learning .
   from learnProblem import Data_set, Learner, Data_from_file
   import random
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
13
14
   class K_means_learner(Learner):
15
       def __init__(self,dataset, num_classes):
16
           self.dataset = dataset
17
           self.num_classes = num_classes
           self.random_initialize()
19
20
       def random_initialize(self):
21
```

```
# class_counts[c] is the number of examples with class=c
22
23
           self.class_counts = [0]*self.num_classes
          # feature_sum[i][c] is the sum of the values of feature i for class
24
           self.feature_sum = [[0]*self.num_classes
25
                             for feat in self.dataset.input_features]
26
27
           for eg in self.dataset.train:
              cl = random.randrange(self.num_classes) # assign eg to random
28
              self.class_counts[cl] += 1
29
              for (ind,feat) in enumerate(self.dataset.input_features):
30
                  self.feature_sum[ind][cl] += feat(eg)
31
           self.num_iterations = 0
32
           self.display(1,"Initial class counts: ",self.class_counts)
33
```

The distance from (the mean of) a class to an example is the sum, over all fratures, of the sum-of-squares differences of the class mean and the example value.

```
_learnKMeans.py — (continued) _
       def distance(self,cl,eg):
35
           """distance of the eg from the mean of the class"""
36
           return sum( (self.class_prediction(ind,cl)-feat(eg))**2
37
                           for (ind, feat) in
38
                               enumerate(self.dataset.input_features))
39
       def class_prediction(self, feat_ind, cl):
40
           """prediction of the class cl on the feature with index feat_ind"""
41
           if self.class_counts[cl] == 0:
42
               return 0 # there are no examples so we can choose any value
43
           else:
               return self.feature_sum[feat_ind][cl]/self.class_counts[cl]
45
46
       def class_of_eg(self,eg):
47
           """class to which eg is assigned"""
           return (min((self.distance(cl,eg),cl)
49
                          for cl in range(self.num_classes)))[1]
                 # second element of tuple, which is a class with minimum
51
                      distance
```

One step of k-means updates the *class_counts* and *feature_sum*. It uses the old values to determine the classes, and so the new values for *class_counts* and *feature_sum*. At the end it determines whether the values of these have changes, and then replaces the old ones with the new ones. It returns an indicator of whether the values are stable (have not changed).

```
def k_means_step(self):

"""Updates the model with one step of k-means.

Returns whether the assignment is stable.

"""
```

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```
new_class_counts = [0]*self.num_classes
57
58
           # feature_sum[i][c] is the sum of the values of feature i for class
               С
           new_feature_sum = [[0]*self.num_classes
59
                              for feat in self.dataset.input_features]
60
           for eg in self.dataset.train:
61
62
               cl = self.class_of_eg(eg)
               new_class_counts[cl] += 1
63
               for (ind,feat) in enumerate(self.dataset.input_features):
                   new_feature_sum[ind][cl] += feat(eg)
65
           stable = (new_class_counts == self.class_counts) and
66
                (self.feature_sum == new_feature_sum)
           self.class_counts = new_class_counts
67
           self.feature_sum = new_feature_sum
68
           self.num_iterations += 1
69
           return stable
70
71
72
       def learn(self, n=100):
73
           """do n steps of k-means, or until convergence"""
74
75
           stable = False
76
           while i<n and not stable:
77
               stable = self.k_means_step()
78
79
               self.display(1,"Iteration", self.num_iterations,
                                "class counts: ",self.class_counts,"
81
                                   Stable=", stable)
           return stable
82
83
       def show_classes(self):
84
           """sorts the data by the class and prints in order.
85
           For visualizing small data sets
86
87
           class_examples = [[] for i in range(self.num_classes)]
88
           for eg in self.dataset.train:
89
               class_examples[self.class_of_eg(eg)].append(eg)
90
           print("Class","Example",sep='\t')
91
92
           for cl in range(self.num_classes):
               for eg in class_examples[cl]:
93
                   print(cl,*eg,sep='\t')
94
95
       def plot_error(self, maxstep=20):
96
           """Plots the sum-of-suares error as a function of the number of
97
               steps"""
           plt.ion()
98
           plt.xlabel("step")
           plt.ylabel("Ave sum-of-squares error")
100
           train_errors = []
101
           if self.dataset.test:
102
```

```
103
               test_errors = []
104
            for i in range(maxstep):
               self.learn(1)
105
               train_errors.append( sum(self.distance(self.class_of_eg(eg),eg)
106
                                           for eg in self.dataset.train)
107
                                   /len(self.dataset.train))
108
109
               if self.dataset.test:
                   test_errors.append(
110
                       sum(self.distance(self.class_of_eg(eg),eg)
                                              for eg in self.dataset.test)
111
                                       /len(self.dataset.test))
112
           plt.plot(range(1,maxstep+1),train_errors,
113
                    label=str(self.num_classes)+" classes. Training set")
114
           if self.dataset.test:
115
               plt.plot(range(1, maxstep+1), test_errors,
116
                        label=str(self.num_classes)+" classes. Test set")
117
           plt.legend()
118
           plt.draw()
119
120
    %data = Data_from_file('data/emdata1.csv', num_train=10,
121
        target_index=2000) % trivial example
    data = Data_from_file('data/emdata2.csv', num_train=10, target_index=2000)
122
    %data = Data_from_file('data/emdata0.csv', num_train=14,
123
        target_index=2000) % example from textbook
    kml = K_means_learner(data,2)
124
    num_iter=4
125
    print("Class assignment after", num_iter, "iterations:")
126
    kml.learn(num_iter); kml.show_classes()
127
128
    # Plot the error
129
    # km2=K_means_learner(data,2); km2.plot_error(20) # 2 classes
130
    # km3=K_means_learner(data,3); km3.plot_error(20) # 3 classes
131
    # km13=K_means_learner(data,13); km13.plot_error(20) # 13 classes
132
133
    # data = Data_from_file('data/carbool.csv',
134
        target_index=2000,boolean_features=True)
    # kml = K_means_learner(data,3)
135
    # kml.learn(20); kml.show_classes()
136
    # km3=K_means_learner(data,3); km3.plot_error(20) # 3 classes
   | # km3=K_means_learner(data,30); km3.plot_error(20) # 30 classes
138
```

Exercise 11.1 Change *boolean features* = *True* flag to allow for numerical features. K-means assumes the features are numerical, so we want to make non-numerical features into numerical features (using characteristic functions) but we probably don't want to change numerical features into Boolean.

Exercise 11.2 If there are many classes, some of the classes can become empty (e.g., try 100 classes with carbool.csv). Implement a way to put some examples into a class, if possible. Two ideas are:

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(a) Initialize the classes with actual examples, so that the classes will not start empty. (Do the classes become empty?)

(b) In *class_prediction*, we test whether the code is empty, and make a prediction of 0 for an empty class. It is possible to make a different prediction to "steal" an example (but you should make sure that a class has a consistent value for each feature in a loop).

Make your own suggestions, and compare it with the original, and whichever of these you think may work better.

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In the following definition, a class, c, is a integer in range $[0, num_classes)$. i is an index of a feature, so feat[i] is the ith feature, and a feature is a function from tuples to values. val is a value of a feature.

A model consists of 2 lists, which form the sufficient statistics:

• *class_counts* is a list such that *class_counts*[c] is the number of tuples with class = c, where each tuple is weighted by its probability, i.e.,

$$\mathit{class_counts}[c] = \sum_{t: \mathit{class}(t) = c} P(t)$$

• feature_counts is a list such that feature_counts[i][val][c] is the weighted count of the number of tuples t with feat[i](t) = val and class(t) = c, each tuple is weighted by its probability, i.e.,

$$\textit{feature_counts}[i][\textit{val}][\textit{c}] = \sum_{\textit{t:feat}[i](t) = \textit{val} \ \textit{and} \textit{class}(t) = \textit{c}} P(t)$$

```
__learnEM.py — EM Learning
   |from learnProblem import Data_set, Learner, Data_from_file
12
   import random
   import math
13
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
15
   class EM_learner(Learner):
16
       def __init__(self,dataset, num_classes):
17
           self.dataset = dataset
18
           self.num_classes = num_classes
19
20
           self.class_counts = None
           self.feature_counts = None
21
```

The function *em_step* goes though the training examples, and updates these counts. The first time it is run, when there is no model, it uses random distributions.

```
\_learnEM.py - (continued) _{-}
       def em_step(self, orig_class_counts, orig_feature_counts):
23
           """updates the model."""
24
           class_counts = [0]*self.num_classes
25
           feature_counts = [{val:[0]*self.num_classes
26
27
                                 for val in feat.frange}
                                 for feat in self.dataset.input_features]
28
           for tple in self.dataset.train:
29
               if orig_class_counts: # a model exists
30
                  tpl_class_dist = self.prob(tple, orig_class_counts,
31
                       orig_feature_counts)
              else:
                                     # initially, with no model, return a random
32
                   distribution
                   tpl_class_dist = random_dist(self.num_classes)
33
               for cl in range(self.num_classes):
                  class_counts[cl] += tpl_class_dist[cl]
35
36
                  for (ind, feat) in enumerate(self.dataset.input_features):
                      feature_counts[ind][feat(tple)][cl] += tpl_class_dist[cl]
37
           return class_counts, feature_counts
38
```

prob computes the probability of a class *c* for a tuple *tpl*, given the current statistics.

$$\begin{split} P(c \mid tple) &\propto P(c) * \prod_{i} P(X_i = tple(i) \mid c) \\ &= \frac{class_counts[c]}{len(self.dataset)} * \prod_{i} \frac{feature_counts[i][feat_i(tple)][c]}{class_counts[c]} \\ &\propto \frac{\prod_{i} feature_counts[i][feat_i(tple)][c]}{class_counts[c]^{|feats|-1}} \end{split}$$

The last step is because len(self.dataset) is a constant (independent of c). $class_counts[c]$ can be taken out of the product, but needs to be raised to the power of the number of features, and one of them cancels.

```
_learnEM.py — (continued) _
40
       def prob(self, tple, class_counts, feature_counts):
41
           """returns a distribution over the classes for tuple tple in the
               model defined by the counts
42
           feats = self.dataset.input_features
43
           unnorm = [prod(feature_counts[i][feat(tple)][c]
44
                          for (i,feat) in enumerate(feats))
45
                         /(class_counts[c]**(len(feats)-1))
46
                      for c in range(self.num_classes)]
47
           thesum = sum(unnorm)
48
           return [un/thesum for un in unnorm]
49
```

learn does *n* steps of EM:

```
_____learnEM.py — (continued) _____
```

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The following is for visualizing the classes. It prints the dataset ordered by the probability of class *c*.

```
\_learnEM.py - (continued)
       def show_class(self,c):
57
           """sorts the data by the class and prints in order.
58
           For visualizing small data sets
59
60
           sorted_data =
61
               sorted((self.prob(tpl,self.class_counts,self.feature_counts)[c],
                                ind, # preserve ordering for equal
62
                                     probabilities
                                tpl)
63
                               for (ind,tpl) in enumerate(self.dataset.train))
64
           for cc,r,tpl in sorted_data:
65
               print(cc,*tpl,sep='\t')
66
```

The following are for evaluating the classes.

The probability of a tuple can be evaluated by marginalizing over the classes:

$$P(tple) = \sum_{c} P(c) * \prod_{i} P(X_i = tple(i) \mid c)$$

$$= \sum_{c} \frac{cc[c]}{len(self.dataset)} * \prod_{i} \frac{fc[i][feat_i(tple)][c]}{cc[c]}$$

where cc is the class count and fc is feature count. len(self.dataset) can be distributed out of the sum, and cc[c] can be taken out of the product:

$$= \frac{1}{len(self.dataset)} \sum_{c} \frac{1}{cc[c]^{\#feats-1}} * \prod_{i} fc[i][feat_{i}(tple)][c]$$

Given the probability of each tuple, we can evaluate the logloss, as the negative of the log probability:

```
__learnEM.py — (continued)
       def logloss(self,tple):
68
           """returns the logloss of the prediction on tple, which is
69
                -log(P(tple))
           based on the current class counts and feature counts
70
71
           feats = self.dataset.input_features
72
           res = 0
73
           cc = self.class_counts
74
           fc = self.feature_counts
75
```

```
for c in range(self.num_classes):
76
77
                res += prod(fc[i][feat(tple)][c]
                           for (i,feat) in
78
                               enumerate(feats))/(cc[c]**(len(feats)-1))
            if res>0:
79
               return -math.log2(res/len(self.dataset.train))
80
81
            else:
               return float("inf") #infinity
82
83
        def plot_error(self, maxstep=20):
84
            """Plots the logloss error as a function of the number of steps"""
           plt.ion()
86
            plt.xlabel("step")
87
            plt.ylabel("Ave Logloss (bits)")
88
            train_errors = []
89
            if self.dataset.test:
90
               test_errors = []
91
            for i in range(maxstep):
92
93
               self.learn(1)
               train_errors.append( sum(self.logloss(tple) for tple in
94
                    self.dataset.train)
                                    /len(self.dataset.train))
95
               if self.dataset.test:
96
                   test_errors.append( sum(self.logloss(tple) for tple in
97
                        self.dataset.test)
                                        /len(self.dataset.test))
            plt.plot(range(1, maxstep+1), train_errors,
99
                    label=str(self.num_classes)+" classes. Training set")
100
            if self.dataset.test:
101
               plt.plot(range(1, maxstep+1), test_errors,
102
                        label=str(self.num_classes)+" classes. Test set")
103
            plt.legend()
104
           plt.draw()
105
106
    def prod(L):
107
        """returns the product of the elements of L"""
108
        res = 1
109
        for e in L:
110
            res *= e
111
        return res
112
113
    def random_dist(k):
114
        """generate k random numbers that sum to 1"""
115
        res = [random.random() for i in range(k)]
116
        s = sum(res)
117
        return [v/s for v in res]
118
119
    data = Data_from_file('data/emdata2.csv', num_train=10, target_index=2000)
120
    eml = EM_learner(data,2)
121
122 | num_iter=2
```

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```
print("Class assignment after",num_iter,"iterations:")
123
    eml.learn(num_iter); eml.show_class(0)
124
125
    # Plot the error
126
   # em2=EM_learner(data,2); em2.plot_error(40) # 2 classes
127
   # em3=EM_learner(data,3); em3.plot_error(40) # 3 classes
128
   # em13=EM_learner(data,13); em13.plot_error(40) # 13 classes
129
130
    # data = Data_from_file('data/carbool.csv',
131
        target_index=2000,boolean_features=False)
    # [f.frange for f in data.input_features]
132
   # eml = EM_learner(data,3)
133
   # eml.learn(20); eml.show_class(0)
134
# em3=EM_learner(data,3); em3.plot_error(60) # 3 classes
   # em3=EM_learner(data,30); em3.plot_error(60) # 30 classes
```

Exercise 11.3 For the EM data, where there are naturally 2 classes, 3 classes does better on the training set after a while than 2 classes, but worse on the test set. Explain why. Hint: look what the 3 classes are. Use "em3.show_class(i)" for each of the classes $i \in [0,3)$.

Exercise 11.4 Write code to plot the logloss as a function of the number of classes (from 1 to say 15) for a fixed number of iterations. (From the experience with the existing code, think about how many iterations is appropriate.)

Multiagent Systems

12.1 Minimax

Here we consider two-player zero-sum games. Here a player only wins when another player loses. This can be modeled as where there is a single utility which one agent (the maximizing agent) is trying minimize and the other agent (the minimizing agent) is trying to minimize.

12.1.1 Creating a two-player game

```
_masProblem.py — A Multiagent Problem
   from display import Displayable
11
12
   class Node(Displayable):
13
       """A node in a search tree. It has a
14
15
       name a string
       isMax is True if it is a maximizing node, otherwise it is minimizing
16
       children is the list of children
17
       value is what it evaluates to if it is a leaf.
18
19
       def __init__(self, name, isMax, value, children):
20
21
           self.name = name
           self.isMax = isMax
22
           self.value = value
23
           self.allchildren = children
24
       def isLeaf(self):
26
           """returns true of this is a leaf node"""
27
           return self.allchildren is None
28
```

```
def children(self):
    """returns the list of all children."""
    return self.allchildren

def evaluate(self):
    """returns the evaluation for this node if it is a leaf"""
    return self.value
```

The following gives the tree from Figure 11.5 of the book. Note how 888 is used as a value here, but never appears in the trace.

```
_masProblem.py — (continued)
   fig10_5 = Node("a", True, None, [
38
                Node("b",False,None, [
39
                    Node("d",True,None, [
40
                        Node("h",False,None, [
41
                            Node("h1", True, 7, None),
42
                            Node("h2", True, 9, None)]),
43
                        Node("i",False,None, [
44
                            Node("i1", True, 6, None),
45
                            Node("i2", True, 888, None)])]),
46
                    Node("e", True, None, [
                        Node("j",False,None, [
48
                            Node("j1", True, 11, None),
49
                            Node("j2", True, 12, None)]),
50
                        Node("k",False,None, [
51
                            Node("k1", True, 888, None),
52
                            Node("k2", True, 888, None)])]),
53
                Node("c",False,None, [
54
                    Node("f",True,None, [
55
                        Node("1", False, None, [
56
                            Node("11", True, 5, None),
57
                            Node("12", True, 888, None)]),
58
                        Node("m",False,None, [
59
                            Node("m1", True, 4, None),
60
                            Node("m2", True, 888, None)])]),
61
                    Node("g", True, None, [
62
                        Node("n",False,None, [
63
                            Node("n1", True, 888, None),
64
                            Node("n2", True, 888, None)]),
65
                        Node("o", False, None, [
66
                            Node("o1", True, 888, None),
67
68
                            Node("o2", True, 888, None)])])])])
```

The following is a representation of a **magic-sum game**, where players take turns picking a number in the range [1,9], and the first player to have 3 numbers that sum to 15 wins. Note that this is a syntactic variant of **tic-tac-toe** or **naughts and crosses**. To see this, consider the numbers on a **magic square** (Figure 12.1); 3 numbers that add to 15 correspond exactly to the winning positions

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6	1	8
7	5	3
2	9	4

Figure 12.1: Magic Square

of tic-tac-toe played on the magic square.

Note that we do not remove symmetries. (What are the symmetries? How do the symmetries of tic-tac-toe translate here?)

```
\_masProblem.py — (continued) \_
70
71
    class Magic_sum(Node):
       def __init__(self, xmove=True, last_move=None,
72
                    available=[1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9], x=[], o=[]):
73
           """This is a node in the search for the magic-sum game.
74
           xmove is True if the next move belongs to X.
75
           last_move is the number selected in the last move
76
           available is the list of numbers that are available to be chosen
77
           x is the list of numbers already chosen by x
78
           o is the list of numbers already chosen by o
79
80
           self.isMax = self.xmove = xmove
81
           self.last move = last move
82
           self.available = available
83
           self.x = x
84
           self.o = o
85
           self.allchildren = None #computed on demand
86
           lm = str(last_move)
           self.name = "start" if not last_move else "o="+lm if xmove else
88
                x="+1m
89
       def children(self):
90
           if self.allchildren is None:
91
               if self.xmove:
92
                   self.allchildren = [
93
                       Magic_sum(xmove = not self.xmove,
94
                                last_move = sel,
95
                                available = [e for e in self.available if e is
96
                                     not sel],
                                x = self.x+[sel],
97
                                o = self.o)
98
                               for sel in self.available]
99
               else:
100
                   self.allchildren = [
101
                       Magic_sum(xmove = not self.xmove,
102
                                last_move = sel,
103
104
                                available = [e for e in self.available if e is
                                     not sel],
```

```
x = self.x
105
106
                                 o = self.o+[sel])
                               for sel in self.available]
107
            return self.allchildren
108
109
        def isLeaf(self):
110
            """A leaf has no numbers available or is a win for one of the
111
                players.
            We only need to check for a win for o if it is currently x's turn,
112
            and only check for a win for x if it is o's turn (otherwise it would
113
            have been a win earlier).
114
115
            return (self.available == [] or
116
                   (sum_to_15(self.last_move, self.o)
117
                    if self.xmove
118
                    else sum_to_15(self.last_move, self.x)))
119
120
        def evaluate(self):
121
            if self.xmove and sum_to_15(self.last_move,self.o):
122
                return -1
123
            elif not self.xmove and sum_to_15(self.last_move,self.x):
124
125
                return 1
            else:
126
                return 0
127
128
    def sum_to_15(last, selected):
129
        """is true if last, toegether with two other elements of selected sum
130
            to 15.
131
        return any(last+a+b == 15
132
                  for a in selected if a != last
133
                  for b in selected if b != last and b != a)
134
```

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12.1.2 Minimax and α - β Pruning

This is a naive depth-first **minimax algorithm**:

```
__masMiniMax.py — Minimax search with alpha-beta pruning .
   def minimax(node,depth):
11
       """returns the value of node, and a best path for the agents
12
13
14
       if node.isLeaf():
           return node.evaluate(),None
15
       elif node.isMax:
16
           max_score = float("-inf")
17
           max_path = None
18
19
           for C in node.children():
               score,path = minimax(C,depth+1)
20
               if score > max_score:
21
                   max_score = score
22
                   max_path = C.name,path
23
24
           return max_score,max_path
25
       else:
           min_score = float("inf")
26
           min_path = None
27
           for C in node.children():
28
29
               score,path = minimax(C,depth+1)
               if score < min_score:</pre>
30
                   min_score = score
31
                   min_path = C.name,path
32
           return min_score,min_path
33
```

The following is a depth-first minimax with α - β **pruning**. It returns the value for a node as well as a best path for the agents.

```
_masMiniMax.py — (continued)
   def minimax_alpha_beta(node,alpha,beta,depth=0):
35
       """node is a Node, alpha and beta are cutoffs, depth is the depth
36
       returns value, path
37
       where path is a sequence of nodes that results in the value
38
39
       node.display(2," "*depth,"minimax_alpha_beta(",node.name,", ",alpha, ",
40
           ", beta,")")
41
       best=None
                     # only used if it will be pruned
       if node.isLeaf():
42
           node.display(2," "*depth,"returning leaf value",node.evaluate())
43
44
           return node.evaluate(),None
       elif node.isMax:
45
           for C in node.children():
               score,path = minimax_alpha_beta(C,alpha,beta,depth+1)
47
               if score >= beta: # beta pruning
48
                  node.display(2," "*depth,"pruned due to
49
                       beta=",beta,"C=",C.name)
                  return score, None
50
51
               if score > alpha:
                  alpha = score
52
                  best = C.name, path
53
           node.display(2," "*depth,"returning max alpha",alpha,"best",best)
54
           return alpha, best
55
       else:
56
57
           for C in node.children():
               score,path = minimax_alpha_beta(C,alpha,beta,depth+1)
58
               if score <= alpha: # alpha pruning</pre>
59
                  node.display(2," "*depth,"pruned due to
60
                       alpha=",alpha,"C=",C.name)
                  return score, None
61
              if score < beta:</pre>
62
                  beta=score
                  best = C.name,path
64
           node.display(2," "*depth,"returning min beta",beta,"best=",best)
65
           return beta, best
66
```

Testing:

```
from masProblem import fig10_5, Magic_sum, Node

# Node.max_display_level=2 # print detailed trace
# minimax_alpha_beta(fig10_5, -9999, 9999,0)

# minimax_alpha_beta(Magic_sum(), -9999, 9999,0)

#To see how much time alpha-beta pruning can save over minimax, uncomment the following:
```

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Reinforcement Learning

13.1 Representing Agents and Environments

When the learning agent does an action in the environment, it observes a (*state, reward*) pair from the environment. The *state* is the world state; this is the fully observable assumption.

An RL environment implements a do(action) method that returns a (state, reward) pair.

```
_rlProblem.py — Representations for Reinforcement Learning
   import random
   from display import Displayable
   from utilities import flip
13
14
   class RL_env(Displayable):
15
       def __init__(self,actions,state):
16
           self.actions = actions # set of actions
17
                                  # initial state
           self.state = state
18
19
       def do(self, action):
20
           """do action
21
           returns state, reward
22
23
           raise NotImplementedError("RL_env.do") # abstract method
24
```

Here is the definition of the simple 2-state, 2-action party/relax decision.

```
30
       def do(self, action):
31
           """updates the state based on the agent doing action.
           returns state, reward
32
33
           if self.state=="healthy":
               if action=="party":
35
                  self.state = "healthy" if flip(0.7) else "sick"
36
                   reward = 10
37
               else: # action=="relax"
                  self.state = "healthy" if flip(0.95) else "sick"
39
                  reward = 7
40
           else: # self.state=="sick"
41
               if action=="party":
42
                  self.state = "healthy" if flip(0.1) else "sick"
43
                   reward = 2
44
               else:
45
                  self.state = "healthy" if flip(0.5) else "sick"
46
                  reward = 0
47
           return self.state, reward
48
```

13.1.1 Simulating an environment from an MDP

Given the definition for an MDP (page 238), *Env_from_MDP* takes in an MDP and simulates the environment with those dynamics.

Note that the MDP does not contain enough information to simulate a system, because it loses any dependency between the rewards and the resulting state; here we assume the agent always received the average reward for the state and action.

```
\_rlProblem.py - (continued) \_
   class Env_from_MDP(RL_env):
       def __init__(self, mdp):
51
           initial_state = mdp.states[0]
52
           RL_env.__init__(self,mdp.actions, initial_state)
53
           self.mdp = mdp
54
           self.action_index = {action:index for (index,action) in
55
               enumerate(mdp.actions)}
           self.state_index = {state:index for (index,state) in
56
               enumerate(mdp.states)}
57
       def do(self, action):
58
           """updates the state based on the agent doing action.
59
           returns state, reward
60
61
           action_ind = self.action_index[action]
62
           state_ind = self.state_index[self.state]
           self.state = pick_from_dist(self.mdp.trans[state_ind][action_ind],
               self.mdp.states)
           reward = self.mdp.reward[state_ind][action_ind]
65
```

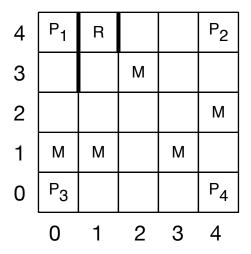


Figure 13.1: Monster game

```
return self.state, reward
66
67
   def pick_from_dist(dist,values):
68
69
       e.g. pick_from_dist([0.3,0.5,0.2],['a','b','c']) should pick 'a' with
70
           probability 0.3, etc.
71
       ran = random.random()
72
73
       i=0
       while ran>dist[i]:
74
           ran -= dist[i]
75
           i += 1
76
       return values[i]
```

13.1.2 Simple Game

This is for the game depicted in Figure 13.1.

```
_rlSimpleEnv.py — Simple game _
   import random
11
   from utilities import flip
   from rlProblem import RL_env
13
14
   class Simple_game_env(RL_env):
15
       xdim = 5
16
       ydim = 5
17
       vwalls = [(0,3), (0,4), (1,4)] # vertical walls right of these locations
19
       hwalls = [] # not implemented
20
       crashed_reward = -1
```

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```
22
23
       prize_{locs} = [(0,0), (0,4), (4,0), (4,4)]
       prize_apears_prob = 0.3
24
       prize_reward = 10
25
26
       monster_locs = [(0,1), (1,1), (2,3), (3,1), (4,2)]
27
28
       monster_appears_prob = 0.4
       monster_reward_when_damaged = -10
29
30
       repair_stations = [(1,4)]
31
       actions = ["up","down","left","right"]
32
33
       def __init__(self):
34
           # State:
35
           self.x = 2
36
           self.y = 2
37
           self.damaged = False
38
           self.prize = None
39
           # Statistics
40
           self.number_steps = 0
41
           self.total_reward = 0
42
           self.min_reward = 0
43
           self.min_step = 0
44
           self.zero_crossing = 0
45
           RL_env.__init__(self, Simple_game_env.actions,
46
                          (self.x, self.y, self.damaged, self.prize))
           self.display(2,"","Step","Tot Rew","Ave Rew",sep="\t")
48
49
       def do(self,action):
50
           """updates the state based on the agent doing action.
51
           returns state, reward
52
53
           reward = 0.0
54
55
           # A prize can appear:
           if self.prize is None and flip(self.prize_apears_prob):
56
                  self.prize = random.choice(self.prize_locs)
57
           # Actions can be noisy
58
           if flip(0.4):
59
              actual_direction = random.choice(self.actions)
           else:
61
               actual_direction = action
           # Modeling the actions given the actual direction
63
           if actual_direction == "right":
               if self.x==self.xdim-1 or (self.x,self.y) in self.vwalls:
65
                  reward += self.crashed_reward
66
              else:
67
                  self.x += 1
68
           elif actual_direction == "left":
69
               if self.x==0 or (self.x-1,self.y) in self.vwalls:
70
                  reward += self.crashed_reward
71
```

```
else:
72
73
                    self.x += -1
            elif actual_direction == "up":
74
                if self.y==self.ydim-1:
75
                    reward += self.crashed_reward
76
                else:
77
78
                    self.y += 1
            elif actual_direction == "down":
79
                if self.y==0:
                   reward += self.crashed_reward
81
                else:
                   self.y += -1
83
            else:
84
                raise RuntimeError("unknown_direction "+str(direction))
85
86
            # Monsters
87
            if (self.x,self.y) in self.monster_locs and
88
                flip(self.monster_appears_prob):
                if self.damaged:
89
                    reward += self.monster_reward_when_damaged
90
                else:
91
                    self.damaged = True
92
            if (self.x,self.y) in self.repair_stations:
93
                self.damaged = False
94
95
            # Prizes
            if (self.x,self.y) == self.prize:
97
                reward += self.prize_reward
                self.prize = None
99
100
            # Statistics
101
            self.number_steps += 1
102
            self.total_reward += reward
103
            if self.total_reward < self.min_reward:</pre>
104
                self.min_reward = self.total_reward
105
                self.min_step = self.number_steps
106
            if self.total_reward>0 and reward>self.total_reward:
107
                self.zero_crossing = self.number_steps
108
            self.display(2,"",self.number_steps,self.total_reward,
109
                         self.total_reward/self.number_steps,sep="\t")
110
111
            return (self.x, self.y, self.damaged, self.prize), reward
112
```

13.1.3 Evaluation and Plotting

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

def plot_rl(ag, label=None, yplot='Total', step_size=None,
```

```
steps_explore=1000, steps_exploit=1000, xscale='linear'):
14
15
       plots the agent ag
16
       label is the label for the plot
17
       yplot is 'Average' or 'Total'
18
       step_size is the number of steps between each point plotted
19
20
       steps_explore is the number of steps the agent spends exploring
       steps_exploit is the number of steps the agent spends exploiting
21
       xscale is 'log' or 'linear'
22
23
       returns total reward when exploring, total reward when exploiting
24
25
       assert yplot in ['Average', 'Total']
26
       if step_size is None:
27
           step_size = max(1,(steps_explore+steps_exploit)//500)
28
       if label is None:
29
           label = ag.label
30
       ag.max_display_level,old_mdl = 1,ag.max_display_level
31
       plt.ion()
32
       plt.xscale(xscale)
33
       plt.xlabel("step")
34
       plt.ylabel(yplot+" reward")
35
       steps = []
                         # steps
36
       rewards = []
                         # return
37
38
       ag.restart()
       step = 0
39
       while step < steps_explore:</pre>
40
41
           ag.do(step_size)
           step += step_size
42
           steps.append(step)
43
           if yplot == "Average":
44
               rewards.append(ag.acc_rewards/step)
45
           else:
46
47
               rewards.append(ag.acc_rewards)
       acc_rewards_exploring = ag.acc_rewards
48
       ag.explore,explore_save = 0,ag.explore
49
       while step < steps_explore+steps_exploit:</pre>
50
           ag.do(step_size)
51
           step += step_size
52
           steps.append(step)
53
           if yplot == "Average":
54
               rewards.append(ag.acc_rewards/step)
55
           else:
56
               rewards.append(ag.acc_rewards)
57
       plt.plot(steps,rewards,label=label)
       plt.legend(loc="upper left")
59
       plt.draw()
60
       ag.max_display_level = old_mdl
61
       ag.explore=explore_save
62
63
       return acc_rewards_exploring, ag.acc_rewards-acc_rewards_exploring
```

13.2 Q Learning

To run the Q-learning demo, in folder "aipython", load "rlQTest.py", and copy and paste the example queries at the bottom of that file. This assumes Python 3.

```
_rlQLearner.py — Q Learning .
   import random
   from display import Displayable
12
   from utilities import argmaxe, flip
13
14
15
   class RL_agent(Displayable):
       """An RL_Agent
16
       has percepts (s, r) for some state s and real reward r
17
18
                                 _rlQLearner.py — (continued) _
   class Q_learner(RL_agent):
20
       """A Q-learning agent has
21
       belief-state consisting of
22
           state is the previous state
23
           q is a {(state,action):value} dict
24
           visits is a {(state,action):n} dict. n is how many times action was
25
               done in state
           acc_rewards is the accumulated reward
26
27
       it observes (s, r) for some world-state s and real reward r
28
29
                                 _rlQLearner.py — (continued)
       def __init__(self, env, discount, explore=0.1, fixed_alpha=True,
31
           alpha=0.2,
                    alpha_fun=lambda k:1/k,
32
                    ginit=0, label="0_learner"):
33
           """env is the environment to interact with.
34
           discount is the discount factor
35
           explore is the proportion of time the agent will explore
36
           fixed_alpha specifies whether alpha is fixed or varies with the
37
               number of visits
           alpha is the weight of new experiences compared to old experiences
38
           alpha_fun is a function that computes alpha from the number of
39
               visits
           qinit is the initial value of the Q's
40
           label is the label for plotting
41
42
           RL_agent.__init__(self)
43
           self.env = env
44
           self.actions = env.actions
45
```

restart is used to make the learner relearn everything. This is used by the plotter to create new plots.

```
def restart(self):
    """make the agent relearn, and reset the accumulated rewards
    """
    self.acc_rewards = 0
    self.state = self.env.state
    self.q = {}
    self.visits = {}
```

do takes in the number of steps.

```
_rlQLearner.py — (continued)
       def do(self,num_steps=100):
63
           """do num_steps of interaction with the environment"""
64
           self.display(2, "s\ta\tr\ts'\tQ")
65
           alpha = self.alpha
66
           for i in range(num_steps):
               action = self.select_action(self.state)
68
              next_state,reward = self.env.do(action)
               if not self.fixed_alpha:
70
                  k = self.visits[(self.state, action)] =
71
                       self.visits.get((self.state, action),0)+1
72
                  alpha = self.alpha_fun(k)
               self.q[(self.state, action)] = (
73
                   (1-alpha) * self.q.get((self.state, action),self.qinit)
74
                  + alpha * (reward + self.discount
75
                                      * max(self.q.get((next_state,
76
                                          next_act),self.qinit)
                                           for next_act in self.actions)))
77
78
               self.display(2,self.state, action, reward, next_state,
                           self.q[(self.state, action)], sep='\t')
79
               self.state = next_state
80
               self.acc_rewards += reward
81
```

select_action us used to select the next action to perform. This can be reimplemented to give a different exploration strategy.

```
def select_action(self, state):

"""returns an action to carry out for the current agent
```

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```
given the state, and the q-function
"""

if flip(self.explore):
    return random.choice(self.actions)

else:
    return argmaxe((next_act, self.q.get((state, next_act),self.qinit))

for next_act in self.actions)
```

Exercise 13.1 Implement a soft-max action selection. Choose a temperature that works well for the domain. Explain how you picked this temperature. Compare the epsilon-greedy, soft-max and optimism in the face of uncertainty.

Exercise 13.2 Implement SARSA. Hint: it does not do a *max* in *do*. Instead it needs to choose *next_act* before it does the update.

13.2.1 Testing Q-learning

The first tests are for the 2-action 2-state

```
_rIQTest.py — RL Q Tester _
  from rlProblem import Healthy_env
   from rlQLearner import Q_learner
12
   from rlPlot import plot_rl
13
14
   env = Healthy_env()
15
   ag = Q_learner(env, 0.7)
   ag_opt = Q_learner(env, 0.7, qinit=100, label="optimistic" ) # optimistic
17
   ag_exp_l = Q_learner(env, 0.7, explore=0.01, label="less explore")
18
   ag_exp_m = Q_learner(env, 0.7, explore=0.5, label="more explore")
   ag_disc = Q_learner(env, 0.9, qinit=100, label="disc 0.9")
20
   ag_va = Q_learner(env, 0.7, qinit=100,fixed_alpha=False,alpha_fun=lambda
       k:10/(9+k),label="alpha=10/(9+k)")
22
   # ag.max_display_level = 2
23
  # ag.do(20)
24
25
  # ag.q
            # get the learned q-values
   |# ag.max_display_level = 1
26
   # ag.do(1000)
27
            # get the learned q-values
28
  # ag.q
  | # plot_rl(ag,yplot="Average")
29
   # plot_rl(ag_opt,yplot="Average")
30
  |# plot_rl(ag_exp_l,yplot="Average")
  # plot_rl(ag_exp_m,yplot="Average")
32
   |# plot_rl(ag_disc,yplot="Average")
33
34
   # plot_rl(ag_va,yplot="Average")
   from mdpExamples import MDPtiny
36
   from rlProblem import Env_from_MDP
37
  envt = Env_from_MDP(MDPtiny())
```

13.3 Q-leaning with Experience Replay

Warning: not properly dubugged

```
___rIQExperienceReplay.py — Linear Reinforcement Learner with Experience Replay ____
  | from rlQLearner import Q_learner
   from utilities import flip
   import random
13
15
   class BoundedBuffer(object):
       def __init__(self, buffer_size=1000):
16
           self.buffer_size = buffer_size
17
           self.buffer = [0]*buffer_size
18
           self.number_added = 0
19
20
       def add(self,experience):
21
           if self.number_added < self.buffer_size:</pre>
22
               self.buffer[self.number_added] = experience
23
           else:
24
               if flip(self.buffer_size/self.number_added):
25
                   position = random.randrange(self.buffer_size)
26
                   self.buffer[position] = experience
27
           self.number_added += 1
28
29
       def get(self):
30
           return self.buffer[random.randrange(min(self.number_added,
31
               self.buffer_size))]
32
   class Q_AR_learner(Q_learner):
       def __init__(self, env, discount, explore=0.1, fixed_alpha=True,
34
           alpha=0.2,
                    alpha_fun=lambda k:1/k, qinit=0, label="Q_AR_learner",
35
                        max_buffer_size=5000,
                    num_updates_per_action=5, burn_in=1000 ):
36
```

```
Q_learner.__init__(self, env, discount, explore, fixed_alpha, alpha,
37
                   alpha_fun, qinit, label)
38
           self.experience_buffer = BoundedBuffer(max_buffer_size)
39
           self.num_updates_per_action = num_updates_per_action
40
           self.burn_in = burn_in
41
42
43
       def do(self,num_steps=100):
44
           """do num_steps of interaction with the environment"""
45
           self.display(2,"s\ta\tr\ts'\tQ")
46
           alpha = self.alpha
47
           for i in range(num_steps):
48
               action = self.select_action(self.state)
49
               next_state,reward = self.env.do(action)
50
               self.experience_buffer.add((self.state,action,reward,next_state))
51
                   #remember experience
               if not self.fixed_alpha:
52
                  k = self.visits[(self.state, action)] =
53
                       self.visits.get((self.state, action),0)+1
                  alpha = self.alpha_fun(k)
54
               self.q[(self.state, action)] = (
55
                   (1-alpha) * self.q.get((self.state, action), self.qinit)
56
                  + alpha * (reward + self.discount
57
                                     * max(self.q.get((next_state,
58
                                          next_act), self.qinit)
                                           for next_act in self.actions)))
59
               self.display(2,self.state, action, reward, next_state,
60
61
                           self.q[(self.state, action)], sep='\t')
               self.state = next_state
62
               self.acc_rewards += reward
63
               # do some updates from experince buffer
64
               if self.experience_buffer.number_added > self.burn_in:
65
                for i in range(self.num_updates_per_action):
66
                   (s,a,r,ns) = self.experience_buffer.get()
67
                  if not self.fixed_alpha:
68
69
                      k = self.visits[(s,a)]
                      alpha = self.alpha_fun(k)
70
                  self.q[(s,a)] = (
71
                      (1-alpha) * self.q[(s,a)]
72
                      + alpha * (reward + self.discount
73
                                     * max(self.q.get((ns,na),self.qinit)
74
                                             for na in self.actions)))
75
                             _rlQExperienceReplay.py — (continued)
```

```
from rlSimpleEnv import Simple_game_env
from rlQTest import sag1, sag2, sag3
from rlPlot import plot_rl

senv = Simple_game_env()
sag1ar = Q_AR_learner(senv,0.9,explore=0.2,fixed_alpha=True,alpha=0.1)
```

13.4 Model-based Reinforcement Learner

To run the demo, in folder "aipython", load "rlModelLearner.py", and copy and paste the example queries at the bottom of that file. This assumes Python 3.

A model-based reinforcement learner builds a Markov decision process model of the domain, simultaneously learns the model and plans with that model.

The model-based reinforcement learner used the following data structures:

- q[s,a] is dictionary that, given a (s,a) pair returns the Q-value, the estimate of the future (discounted) value of being in state s and doing action a.
- r[s,a] is dictionary that, given a (s,a) pair returns the average reward from doing a in state s.
- t[s, a, s'] is dictionary that, given a (s, a, s') tuple returns the number of times a was done in state s, with the result being state s'.
- *visits*[*s*, *a*] is dictionary that, given a (*s*, *a*) pair returns the number of times action *a* was carried out in state *s*.
- res_states[s, a] is dictionary that, given a (s, a) pair returns the list of resulting states that have occurred when action a was carried out in state s. This is used in the asynchronous value iteration to determine the s' states to sum over.
- $visits_list$ is a list of (s,a) pair that have been carried out. This is used to ensure there is no divide-by zero in the asynchronous value iteration. Note that this could be constructed from r, visits or res_states by enumerating the keys, but needs to be a list for random.choice, and we don't want to keep recreating it.

```
_rlModelLearner.py — Model-based Reinforcement Learner _
   import random
   from rlQLearner import RL_agent
   from display import Displayable
   from utilities import argmaxe, flip
14
15
   class Model_based_reinforcement_learner(RL_agent):
16
       """A Model-based reinforcement learner
17
18
19
       def __init__(self, env, discount, explore=0.1, qinit=0,
20
                     updates_per_step=10, label="MBR_learner"):
21
           """env is the environment to interact with.
22
           discount is the discount factor
23
           explore is the proportion of time the agent will explore
24
           ginit is the initial value of the Q's
25
           updates_per_step is the number of AVI updates per action
26
           label is the label for plotting
27
28
           RL_agent.__init__(self)
29
           self.env = env
30
           self.actions = env.actions
31
32
           self.discount = discount
           self.explore = explore
33
           self.qinit = qinit
34
           self.updates_per_step = updates_per_step
35
           self.label = label
36
           self.restart()
37
                                _rlModelLearner.py — (continued) _
39
       def restart(self):
           """make the agent relearn, and reset the accumulated rewards
40
41
           self.acc_rewards = 0
42
           self.state = self.env.state
           self.q = \{\}
                                  # {(st,action):q_value} map
44
           self.r = \{\}
                                  # {(st,action):reward} map
45
                                  # {(st,action,st_next):count} map
           self.t = {}
46
           self.visits = {}
                                # {(st,action):count} map
47
           self.res_states = {} # {(st,action):set_of_states} map
48
49
           self.visits_list = [] # list of (st,action)
           self.previous_action = None
50
                                _rlModelLearner.py — (continued) _
       def do(self,num_steps=100):
52
           """do num_steps of interaction with the environment
53
           for each action, do updates_per_step iterations of asynchronous
               value iteration
55
           for step in range(num_steps):
56
```

```
pst = self.state
57
                                  # previous state
              action = self.select_action(pst)
58
               self.state,reward = self.env.do(action)
               self.acc_rewards += reward
60
               self.t[(pst,action,self.state)] = self.t.get((pst,
61
                   action, self.state),0)+1
62
               if (pst,action) in self.visits:
                  self.visits[(pst,action)] += 1
63
                  self.r[(pst,action)] +=
64
                       (reward-self.r[(pst,action)])/self.visits[(pst,action)]
                  self.res_states[(pst,action)].add(self.state)
65
              else:
66
                  self.visits[(pst,action)] = 1
67
                  self.r[(pst,action)] = reward
68
                  self.res_states[(pst,action)] = {self.state}
69
                  self.visits_list.append((pst,action))
70
               st,act = pst,action
                                      #initial state-action pair for AVI
71
               for update in range(self.updates_per_step):
72
                  self.q[(st,act)] = self.r[(st,act)]+self.discount*(
73
                      sum(self.t[st,act,rst]/self.visits[st,act]*
74
                          max(self.q.get((rst,nact),self.qinit) for nact in
75
                              self.actions)
                          for rst in self.res_states[(st,act)]))
76
                  st,act = random.choice(self.visits_list)
77
                               _rlModelLearner.py — (continued)
       def select_action(self, state):
79
           """returns an action to carry out for the current agent
80
           given the state, and the q-function
81
82
           if flip(self.explore):
83
               return random.choice(self.actions)
84
85
              return argmaxe((next_act, self.q.get((state,
                   next_act), self.qinit))
                                    for next_act in self.actions)
87
                                _rlModelLearner.py — (continued)
   from rlQTest import senv # simple game environment
   mbl1 = Model_based_reinforcement_learner(senv,0.9,updates_per_step=10)
90
91
       plot_rl(mbl1, steps_explore=100000, steps_exploit=100000, label="model-based(10)")
92
   mbl2 = Model_based_reinforcement_learner(senv,0.9,updates_per_step=1)
93
       plot_rl(mbl2,steps_explore=100000,steps_exploit=100000,label="model-based(1)")
```

Exercise 13.3 If there was only one update per step, the algorithm can be made simpler and use less space. Explain how. Does it make it more efficient? Is it worthwhile having more than one update per step for the games implemented here?

Exercise 13.4 It is possible to implement the model-based reinforcement learner by replacing q, r, visits, res_states with a single dictionary that returns a tuple (q, r, v, tm) where q, r and v are numbers, and tm is a map from resulting states into counts. Does this make the algorithm easier to understand? Does this make the algorithm more efficient?

Exercise 13.5 If the states and the actions were mapped into integers, the dictionaries could be implemented more efficiently as arrays. This entails an extra step in specifying problems. Implement this for the simple game. Is it more efficient?

13.5 Reinforcement Learning with Features

To run the demo, in folder "aipython", load "rlFeatures.py", and copy and paste the example queries at the bottom of that file. This assumes Python 3.

13.5.1 Representing Features

A feature is a function from state and action. To construct the features for a domain, we construct a function that takes a state and an action and returns the list of all feature values for that state and action. This feature set is redesigned for each problem.

get_features(*state*, *action*) returns the feature values appropriate for the simple game.

```
_rlSimpleGameFeatures.py — Feature-based Reinforcement Learner
   from rlSimpleEnv import Simple_game_env
   from rlProblem import RL_env
12
13
   def get_features(state,action):
14
       """returns the list of feature values for the state-action pair
15
16
       assert action in Simple_game_env.actions
17
18
       (x,y,d,p) = state
       # f1: would go to a monster
19
       f1 = monster_ahead(x,y,action)
20
       # f2: would crash into wall
21
       f2 = wall_ahead(x,y,action)
22
       # f3: action is towards a prize
23
       f3 = towards_prize(x,y,action,p)
24
       # f4: damaged and action is toward repair station
25
26
       f4 = towards_repair(x,y,action) if d else 0
27
       # f5: damaged and towards monster
       f5 = 1 if d and f1 else 0
       # f6: damaged
29
       f6 = 1 if d else 0
       # f7: not damaged
```

```
f7 = 1-f6
32
33
       # f8: damaged and prize ahead
       f8 = 1 if d and f3 else 0
34
       # f9: not damaged and prize ahead
35
       f9 = 1 if not d and f3 else 0
       features = [1,f1,f2,f3,f4,f5,f6,f7,f8,f9]
37
       # the next 20 features are for 5 prize locations
       # and 4 distances from outside in all directions
39
       for pr in Simple_game_env.prize_locs+[None]:
40
           if p==pr:
41
               features += [x, 4-x, y, 4-y]
           else:
43
               features += [0, 0, 0, 0]
44
       # fp04 feature for y when prize is at 0,4
45
       # this knows about the wall to the right of the prize
46
       if p==(0,4):
47
           if x==0:
48
               fp04 = y
49
           elif y<3:</pre>
50
               fp04 = y
51
           else:
52
53
               fp04 = 4-y
       else:
54
           fp04 = 0
55
       features.append(fp04)
56
       return features
57
58
59
   def monster_ahead(x,y,action):
       """returns 1 if the location expected to get to by doing
60
       action from (x,y) can contain a monster.
61
62
       if action == "right" and (x+1,y) in Simple_game_env.monster_locs:
63
64
           return 1
65
       elif action == "left" and (x-1,y) in Simple_game_env.monster_locs:
           return 1
66
       elif action == "up" and (x,y+1) in Simple_game_env.monster_locs:
67
68
           return 1
       elif action == "down" and (x,y-1) in Simple_game_env.monster_locs:
69
70
           return 1
       else:
71
           return 0
72
73
   def wall_ahead(x,y,action):
74
       """returns 1 if there is a wall in the direction of action from (x,y).
75
       This is complicated by the internal walls.
76
77
       if action == "right" and (x==Simple_game_env.xdim-1 or (x,y) in
           Simple_game_env.vwalls):
           return 1
79
       elif action == "left" and (x==0 or (x-1,y) in Simple_game_env.vwalls):
80
```

```
81
            return 1
82
        elif action == "up" and y==Simple_game_env.ydim-1:
83
            return 1
        elif action == "down" and y==0:
84
85
            return 1
        else:
86
            return 0
88
    def towards_prize(x,y,action,p):
89
         """action goes in the direction of the prize from (x,y)"""
90
        if p is None:
91
            return 0
92
        elif p==(0,4): # take into account the wall near the top-left prize
93
            if action == "left" and (x>1 \text{ or } x==1 \text{ and } y<3):
94
                 return 1
95
            elif action == "down" and (x>0 \text{ and } y>2):
96
97
            elif action == "up" and (x==0 \text{ or } y<2):
98
                 return 1
99
            else:
100
                 return 0
101
        else:
102
103
            px,py = p
            if p==(4,4) and x==0:
104
                if (action=="right" and y<3) or (action=="down" and y>2) or
105
                     (action=="up" and y<2):
                     return 1
106
107
                 else:
                    return 0
108
            if (action == "up" and y<py) or (action == "down" and py<y):</pre>
109
                return 1
110
            elif (action == "left" and px<x) or (action == "right" and x<px):</pre>
111
                 return 1
112
113
            else:
                 return 0
114
115
    def towards_repair(x,y,action):
116
        """returns 1 if action is towards the repair station.
117
118
        if action == "up" and (x>0 and y<4 or x==0 and y<2):
119
120
            return 1
        elif action == "left" and x>1:
121
122
            return 1
        elif action == "right" and x==0 and y<3:</pre>
123
            return 1
124
        elif action == "down" and x==0 and y>2:
125
            return 1
126
127
        else:
            return 0
128
129
```

```
def simp_features(state,action):
130
        """returns a list of feature values for the state-action pair
131
132
        assert action in Simple_game_env.actions
133
        (x,y,d,p) = state
134
        # f1: would go to a monster
135
136
        f1 = monster_ahead(x,y,action)
        # f2: would crash into wall
137
        f2 = wall\_ahead(x,y,action)
138
        # f3: action is towards a prize
139
        f3 = towards_prize(x,y,action,p)
140
        return [1,f1,f2,f3]
141
```

13.5.2 Feature-based RL learner

This learns a linear function approximation of the Q-values. It requires the function *get_features* that given a state and an action returns a list of values for all of the features. Each environment requires this function to be provided.

```
_rlFeatures.py — Feature-based Reinforcement Learner _
   import random
11
   from rlQLearner import RL_agent
   from display import Displayable
13
   from utilities import argmaxe, flip
14
15
   class SARSA_LFA_learner(RL_agent):
16
       """A SARSA_LFA learning agent has
17
       belief-state consisting of
18
           state is the previous state
19
           q is a {(state,action):value} dict
20
           visits is a {(state,action):n} dict. n is how many times action was
21
               done in state
           acc_rewards is the accumulated reward
22
23
       it observes (s, r) for some world-state s and real reward r
24
25
       def __init__(self, env, get_features, discount, explore=0.2,
26
           step_size=0.01,
                   winit=0, label="SARSA_LFA"):
27
           """env is the feature environment to interact with
28
           get_features is a function get_features(state,action) that returns
29
               the list of feature values
30
           discount is the discount factor
           explore is the proportion of time the agent will explore
31
           step_size is gradient descent step size
32
           winit is the initial value of the weights
33
           label is the label for plotting
35
           RL_agent.__init__(self)
36
           self.env = env
37
```

```
self.get_features = get_features
38
39
           self.actions = env.actions
           self.discount = discount
40
           self.explore = explore
41
           self.step_size = step_size
42
           self.winit = winit
43
44
           self.label = label
45
           self.restart()
```

restart() is used to make the learner relearn everything. This is used by the plotter to create new plots.

```
_rlFeatures.py — (continued)
47
       def restart(self):
           """make the agent relearn, and reset the accumulated rewards
48
49
           self.acc_rewards = 0
50
           self.state = self.env.state
51
           self.features = self.get_features(self.state,
               list(self.env.actions)[0])
53
           self.weights = [self.winit for f in self.features]
           self.action = self.select_action(self.state)
54
```

do takes in the number of steps.

```
_rlFeatures.py — (continued)
       def do(self,num_steps=100):
56
           """do num_steps of interaction with the environment"""
57
           self.display(2,"s\ta\tr\ts'\tQ\tdelta")
58
           for i in range(num_steps):
               next_state,reward = self.env.do(self.action)
60
               self.acc_rewards += reward
61
               next_action = self.select_action(next_state)
62
               feature_values = self.get_features(self.state,self.action)
63
               oldQ = dot_product(self.weights, feature_values)
               nextQ = dot_product(self.weights,
65
                   self.get_features(next_state,next_action))
               delta = reward + self.discount * nextQ - oldQ
66
               for i in range(len(self.weights)):
                  self.weights[i] += self.step_size * delta * feature_values[i]
68
               self.display(2,self.state, self.action, reward, next_state,
69
                           dot_product(self.weights, feature_values), delta,
70
                               sep='\t'
               self.state = next state
71
72
               self.action = next_action
73
       def select_action(self, state):
74
           """returns an action to carry out for the current agent
75
           given the state, and the q-function.
           This implements an epsilon-greedy approach
77
           where self.explore is the probability of exploring.
78
           11 11 11
79
```

```
if flip(self.explore):
80
81
               return random.choice(self.actions)
           else:
82
               return argmaxe((next_act, dot_product(self.weights,
83
                                                  self.get_features(state,next_act)))
                                    for next_act in self.actions)
85
86
       def show_actions(self, state=None):
87
           """prints the value for each action in a state.
88
           This may be useful for debugging.
89
90
           if state is None:
91
              state = self.state
92
           for next_act in self.actions:
93
              print(next_act,dot_product(self.weights,
94
                   self.get_features(state,next_act)))
95
   def dot_product(11,12):
96
       return sum(e1*e2 for (e1,e2) in zip(11,12))
97
```

Test code:

```
_rlFeatures.py — (continued)
    from rlQTest import senv # simple game environment
100
    from rlSimpleGameFeatures import get_features, simp_features
101
    from rlPlot import plot_rl
102
103
    fa1 = SARSA_LFA_learner(senv, get_features, 0.9, step_size=0.01)
104
    #fa1.max_display_level = 2
105
    #fa1.do(20)
106
    #plot_rl(fa1,steps_explore=10000,steps_exploit=10000,label="SARSA_LFA(0.01)")
107
    fas1 = SARSA_LFA_learner(senv, simp_features, 0.9, step_size=0.01)
   #plot_rl(fas1,steps_explore=10000,steps_exploit=10000,label="SARSA_LFA(simp)")
```

Exercise 13.6 How does the step-size affect performance? Try different step sizes (e.g., 0.1, 0.001, other sizes in between). Explain the behaviour you observe. Which step size works best for this example. Explain what evidence you are basing your prediction on.

Exercise 13.7 Does having extra features always help? Does it sometime help? Does whether it helps depend on the step size? Give evidence for your claims.

Exercise 13.8 For each of the following first predict, then plot, then explain the behavour you observed:

- (a) SARSA_LFA, Model-based learning (with 1 update per step) and Q-learning for 10,000 steps 20% exploring followed by 10,000 steps 100% exploiting
- (b) SARSA_LFA, model-based learning and Q-learning for
 - i) 100,000 steps 20% exploring followed by 100,000 steps 100% exploit
 - ii) 10,000 steps 20% exploring followed by 190,000 steps 100% exploit

(c) Suppose your goal was to have the best accumulated reward after 200,000 steps. You are allowed to change the exploration rate at a fixed number of steps. For each of the methods, which is the best position to start exploiting more? Which method is better? What if you wanted to have the best reward after 10,000 or 1,000 steps?

Based on this evidence, explain when it is preferable to use SARSA_LFA, Model-based learner, or Q-learning.

Important: you need to run each algorithm more than once. Your explanation should include the variability as well as the typical behavior.

13.5.3 Experience Replay

Here we consider experience replay with a bounded replay buffer for SARSA_LFA. Warning: does not work properly yet.

Should self.env return (reward, state) to be consistent with (S,A,R,S)?

```
__rlLinExperienceReplay.py — Linear Reinforcement Learner with Experience Replay __
   from rlFeatures import SARSA_LFA_learner, dot_product
   from utilities import flip
12
   import random
13
14
   class SARSA_LFA_AR_learner(SARSA_LFA_learner):
15
16
       def __init__(self, env, get_features, discount, explore=0.2,
17
           step_size=0.01,
                    winit=0, label="SARSA_LFA-AR", max_buffer_size=500,
18
                    num_updates_per_action=5, burn_in=100 ):
19
           SARSA_LFA_learner.__init__(self, env, get_features, discount,
20
               explore, step_size,
                                         winit, label)
21
           self. max_buffer_size = max_buffer_size
22
           self.action_buffer = [0]*max_buffer_size
23
           self.number_added = 0
24
           self.num_updates_per_action = num_updates_per_action
25
           self.burn_in = burn_in
26
27
       def add_to_buffer(self,experience):
28
           if self.number_added < self.max_buffer_size:</pre>
29
               self.action_buffer[self.number_added] = experience
30
           else:
31
               if flip(self.max_buffer_size/self.number_added):
32
                   position = random.randrange(self.max_buffer_size)
33
                   self.action_buffer[position] = experience
34
           self.number\_added += 1
35
36
       def do(self,num_steps=100):
37
           """do num_steps of interaction with the environment"""
38
           self.display(2, "s\ta\tr\ts'\tQ\tdelta")
39
           for i in range(num_steps):
40
```

```
next_state,reward = self.env.do(self.action)
41
42
              self.add_to_buffer((self.state,self.action,reward,next_state))
                  #remember experience
              self.acc_rewards += reward
43
              next_action = self.select_action(next_state)
44
              feature_values = self.get_features(self.state,self.action)
45
              oldQ = dot_product(self.weights, feature_values)
46
              nextQ = dot_product(self.weights,
47
                  self.get_features(next_state,next_action))
              delta = reward + self.discount * nextQ - oldQ
48
              for i in range(len(self.weights)):
                  self.weights[i] += self.step_size * delta * feature_values[i]
50
              self.display(2,self.state, self.action, reward, next_state,
51
                          dot_product(self.weights, feature_values), delta,
52
                               sep='\t')
              self.state = next_state
53
              self.action = next_action
54
              if self.number_added > self.burn_in:
55
                for i in range(self.num_updates_per_action):
56
57
                  (s,a,r,ns) =
                      self.action_buffer[random.randrange(min(self.number_added,
                                                                       self.max_buffer_size))]
58
                  na = self.select_action(ns)
59
                  feature_values = self.get_features(s,a)
                  oldQ = dot_product(self.weights, feature_values)
61
                  nextQ = dot_product(self.weights, self.get_features(ns,na))
                  delta = reward + self.discount * nextQ - oldQ
63
64
                  for i in range(len(self.weights)):
                      self.weights[i] += self.step_size * delta *
65
                          feature_values[i]
```

Test code:

```
from rlQTest import senv # simple game environment
from rlSimpleGameFeatures import get_features, simp_features
from rlPlot import plot_rl

fa1 = SARSA_LFA_AR_learner(senv, get_features, 0.9, step_size=0.01)
#fa1.max_display_level = 2
#fa1.do(20)

#plot_rl(fa1,steps_explore=10000,steps_exploit=10000,label="SARSA_LFA_AR(0.01)")
fas1 = SARSA_LFA_AR_learner(senv, simp_features, 0.9, step_size=0.01)
#plot_rl(fas1,steps_explore=10000,steps_exploit=10000,label="SARSA_LFA_AR(simp)")
```

13.6 Multiagent Learning

The next code of for multiple agnets that learn when interacting with other agents. This code is designed to be extended, and as such is restricted to being

two agents, a single state, and the only observation is the reward. Coordinating agents can't easily implement that agent architecture. However, in that architecture, an agent calls the environment. That architecture was chosen because it was simple. However, it does not really work when there are multiple agents, instead we have a controller that tells the egents the percepts (here the percepts are just the reward).

```
_masLearn.py — Simulations of agents learning
11
   from display import Displayable
   import utilities # argmaxall for (element, value) pairs
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
13
   import random
15
   class GameAgent(Displayable):
16
       next_id=0
17
       def __init__(self, actions):
18
19
           Actions is the set of actions the agent can do. It needs to be told
20
               that!
21
           self.actions = actions
22
           self.id = GameAgent.next_id
23
           GameAgent.next_id += 1
24
           self.display(2,f"Agent {self.id} has actions {actions}")
25
           self.dist = {act:1 for act in actions} # unnormalized distibution
26
           self.total_score = 0
27
28
       def init_action(self):
29
           """ The initial action.
30
           Act randomly initially
31
           Could be overridden (but I'm not sure why you would).
32
33
           self.act = random.choice(self.actions)
34
           return self.act
35
36
       def select_action(self, reward):
37
38
           Select the action given the reward.
39
           This implements "Act randomly" and should be overridden!
40
41
42
           self.total_score += reward
           self.act = random.choice(self.actions)
43
           return self.act
44
                                 _masLearn.py — (continued)
   class SimpleCountingAgent(GameAgent):
46
       """This agent just counts the number of times (it thinks) it has won
47
           and does the
       actions it thinks is most likely to win.
48
49
```

```
50
       def __init__(self, actions, prior_count=1):
51
           Actions is the set of actions the agent can do. It needs to be told
52
               that!
           ,, ,, ,,
53
           GameAgent.__init__(self, actions)
54
55
           self.prior_count = prior_count
           self.dist = {a: prior_count for a in self.actions} # unnormalized
56
               distibution
           self.averew = 0
57
           self.num\_steps = 0
58
59
       def select_action(self, reward):
60
           self.total_score += reward
61
           self.num\_steps += 1
62
           self.display(2,f"The reward for agent {self.id} was {reward}")
63
           self.averew = self.averew+(reward-self.averew)/self.num_steps
64
           if reward>self.averew:
65
               self.dist[self.act] += 1
66
           else:
67
               for otheract in self.actions:
68
                  if otheract != self.act:
                      self.dist[otheract] += 1/(len(self.actions))
70
           self.display(2,f"Distribution for agent {self.id} is
71
               {normalize(self.dist)}")
           self.act = select_from_dist(self.dist)
72
           self.display(2,f"Agent {self.id} did {self.act}")
73
           return self.act
74
```

```
__masLearn.py — (continued) _
   class SimpleQAgent(GameAgent):
76
       """This agent maintains the Q-function for each state.
77
       (Or just the average reward as the future state is all the same).
78
       Chooses the best action using
79
80
       def __init__(self, actions, q_init=100, alpha=0.1,
81
           prob_step_size=0.001, min_prob=0.01):
82
           Actions is the set of actions the agent can do. It needs to be told
83
           q_init is the initial q-values
84
           alpha is the step size for action estimate
85
           prob_step_size is the step size for probability change
           min_prob is the minimum a probability should become
87
           GameAgent.__init__(self, actions)
89
           self.Q = {a:q_init for a in self.actions}
           self.dist = normalize({a:0.7+random.random() for a in
91
               self.actions}) # start with random dist but not too close to
               zero
```

```
self.alpha = alpha
92
93
            self.prob_step_size = prob_step_size
            self.min_prob = min_prob
94
            self.num_steps = 1 # (1 because it isonly used after initial step)
95
96
        def select_action(self, reward):
97
            self.total_score += reward
98
            self.display(2,f"The reward for agent {self.id} was {reward}")
99
            self.Q[self.act] += self.alpha*(reward-self.Q[self.act])
100
            a_best = utilities.argmaxall(self.Q.items())
101
            for a in self.actions:
102
                if a in a_best:
103
                   self.dist[a] += self.prob_step_size
104
                else:
105
                   self.dist[a] -= min(self.dist[a], self.prob_step_size)
106
                   self.dist[a] = max(self.dist[a],self.min_prob)
107
            self.dist = normalize(self.dist)
108
            self.display(2,f"Distribution for agent {self.id} is {self.dist}")
109
            self.act = select_from_dist(self.dist)
110
            self.display(2,f"Agent {self.id} did {self.act}")
111
            return self.act
112
113
    def normalize(dist):
114
        """unnorm dict is a {value:number} dictionary, where the numbers are
115
            all non-negative
        returns dict where the numbers sum to one
116
117
118
        tot = sum(dist.values())
        return {var:val/tot for (var,val) in dist.items()}
119
120
    def select_from_dist(dist):
121
        rand = random.random()
122
        for (act,prob) in normalize(dist).items():
123
124
            rand -= prob
            if rand < 0:
125
126
               return act
```

The simulator takes a game and simulates the game:

```
_masLearn.py — (continued)
    class SimulateGame(Displayable):
128
        def __init__(self, game, agents):
129
            self.game = game
130
            self.agents = agents # list of agents
131
            self.action_history = []
132
133
            self.reward_history = []
            self.dist_history = []
134
            self.actions = tuple(ag.init_action() for ag in self.agents)
135
            self.num\_steps = 0
136
137
        def go(self, steps):
138
```

```
for i in range(steps):
139
140
               self.num\_steps += 1
               self.rewards = self.game.play(self.actions)
141
               self.reward_history.append(self.rewards)
142
               self.actions =
143
                    tuple(self.agents[i].select_action(self.rewards[i])
144
                                       for i in range(self.game.num_agents))
               self.action_history.append(self.actions)
145
               self.dist_history.append([normalize(ag.dist) for ag in
146
                    self.agents])
           print("Scores:", ' '.join(f"Agent {ag.id} average
147
                reward={ag.total_score/self.num_steps}" for ag in self.agents))
           #return self.reward_history, self.action_history
148
149
        def action_dist(self,which_actions=[1,1]):
150
            """ which actions is [a0,a1]
151
            returns the empirical disctribition of actions for agents,
152
              where ai specifies the index of the actions for agent i
153
154
            return [sum(1 for a in sim.action_history
155
                           if
156
                               a[i]==gm.actions[i][which_actions[i]])/len(sim.action_history)
                       for i in range(2)]
157
                                  _masLearn.py — (continued) .
        def plot_dynamics(self, x_action=0, y_action=0):
           plt.ion() # make it interactive
           agents = self.agents
```

```
159
160
161
162
           x_act = self.game.actions[0][x_action]
163
           y_act = self.game.actions[1][y_action]
164
           plt.xlabel(f"Action {self.agents[0].actions[x_action]} for Agent
165
                {agents[0].id}")
           plt.ylabel(f"Action {self.agents[1].actions[y_action]} for Agent
166
                {agents[1].id}")
           plt.plot([self.dist_history[t][0][x_act] for t in
167
                range(len(self.dist_history))],
                    [self.dist_history[t][1][y_act] for t in
                        range(len(self.dist_history))])
            #plt.legend()
169
```

The following are some games from Poole and Mackworth [2017].

```
class ShoppingGame(Displayable):

def __init__(self):
    self.num_agents = 2
    self.actions = [['shopping', 'football']]*2

def play(self, actions):
    return {('football', 'football'): (2,1),
```

```
('football', 'shopping'): (0,0),
179
180
                    ('shopping', 'football'): (0,0),
                    ('shopping', 'shopping'): (1,2)}[actions]
181
182
183
    class SoccerGame(Displayable):
184
185
        def __init__(self):
            self.num\_agents = 2
186
            self.actions = [['left', 'right']]*2
187
188
        def play(self, actions):
189
            return {('left', 'left'): (0.6, 0.4),
190
                    ('left', 'right'): (0.2, 0.8),
191
                    ('right', 'left'): (0.3, 0.7),
192
                    ('right', 'right'): (0.9,0.1)
193
                   }[actions]
194
195
    class GameShow(Displayable):
196
        def __init__(self):
197
            self.num\_agents = 2
198
            self.actions = [['take', 'give']]*2
199
200
        def play(self, actions):
201
            return {('take', 'take'): (100, 100),
202
                    ('take', 'give'): (1100, 0),
203
                    ('give', 'take'): (0, 1100),
204
                    ('give', 'give'): (1000,1000)
205
206
                   }[actions]
207
208
    class UniqueNEGameExample(Displayable):
209
        def __init__(self):
210
            self.num\_agents = 2
211
            self.actions = [['a1', 'b1', 'c1'],['d2', 'e2', 'f2']]
212
213
        def play(self, actions):
214
            return {('a1', 'd2'): (3, 5),
215
                    ('a1', 'e2'): (5, 1),
216
                    ('a1', 'f2'): (1, 2),
217
                    ('b1', 'd2'): (1, 1),
218
                    ('b1', 'e2'): (2, 9),
219
                    ('b1', 'f2'): (6, 4),
220
                    ('c1', 'd2'): (2, 6),
221
                    ('c1', 'e2'): (4, 7),
222
                    ('c1', 'f2'): (0, 8)
223
                   }[actions]
224
225
   # Choose one:
226
   | # gm = ShoppingGame()
227
228 # gm = SoccerGame()
```

```
# gm = GameShow()
229
    # gm = UniqueNEGameExample()
230
231
    # Choose one:
232
    # sim=SimulateGame(gm,[SimpleQAgent(gm.actions[0]),
233
        SimpleQAgent(gm.actions[1])]); sim.go(10000)
    # sim= SimulateGame(gm,[SimpleCountingAgent(gm.actions[0]),
234
        SimpleCountingAgent(gm.actions[1])]); sim.go(10000)
    # sim=SimulateGame(gm,[SimpleCountingAgent(gm.actions[0]),
235
        SimpleQAgent(gm.actions[1])]); sim.go(10000)
236
237
238
    # sim.plot_dynamics()
239
    # empirical proportion that agents did their action at index 1:
240
    # sim.action_dist([1,1])
241
242
    # learned distribution for agent 0
243
244 | # sim.agents[0].dist
```

Relational Learning

14.1 Collaborative Filtering

Based on gradient descent algorithm of Koren, Y., Bell, R. and Volinsky, C., Matrix Factorization Techniques for Recommender Systems, IEEE Computer 2009.

This assumes the form of the dataset from movielens (http://grouplens.org/datasets/movielens/). The rating are a set of (user, item, rating, timestamp) tuples.

```
_relnCollFilt.py — Latent Property-based Collaborative Filtering _
   import random
11
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
   import urllib.request
13
   from learnProblem import Learner
14
   from display import Displayable
15
16
   class CF_learner(Learner):
17
       def __init__(self,
18
                                         # a Rating_set object
                    rating_set,
19
                    rating_subset = None, # subset of ratings to be used as
20
                        training ratings
                    test_subset = None, # subset of ratings to be used as test
21
                        ratings
                    step_size = 0.01,  # gradient descent step size
22
                                         # the weight for the regularization
                    reglz = 1.0,
                        terms
                    num_properties = 10, # number of hidden properties
                    property_range = 0.02 # properties are initialized to be
25
                        between
                                         # -property_range and property_range
26
```

```
27
                   ):
28
           self.rating_set = rating_set
           self.ratings = rating_subset or rating_set.training_ratings #
29
               whichever is not empty
           if test_subset is None:
30
              self.test_ratings = self.rating_set.test_ratings
31
32
           else:
              self.test_ratings = test_subset
33
           self.step_size = step_size
34
           self.reglz = reglz
35
           self.num_properties = num_properties
36
           self.num_ratings = len(self.ratings)
37
           self.ave_rating = (sum(r for (u,i,r,t) in self.ratings)
38
                             /self.num_ratings)
39
           self.users = {u for (u,i,r,t) in self.ratings}
40
           self.items = {i for (u,i,r,t) in self.ratings}
41
           self.user_bias = {u:0 for u in self.users}
42
           self.item_bias = {i:0 for i in self.items}
43
           self.user_prop = {u:[random.uniform(-property_range,property_range)
44
                               for p in range(num_properties)]
45
                               for u in self.users}
46
           self.item_prop = {i:[random.uniform(-property_range,property_range)
                                for p in range(num_properties)]
48
                               for i in self.items}
49
           self.zeros = [0 for p in range(num_properties)]
50
           self.iter=0
51
52
       def stats(self):
53
           self.display(1, "ave sumsq error of mean for training=",
54
                    sum((self.ave_rating-rating)**2 for
55
                        (user,item,rating,timestamp)
                        in self.ratings)/len(self.ratings))
56
           self.display(1, "ave sumsq error of mean for test=",
57
                    sum((self.ave_rating-rating)**2 for
58
                        (user,item,rating,timestamp)
                        in self.test_ratings)/len(self.test_ratings))
59
           self.display(1, "error on training set",
60
                       self.evaluate(self.ratings))
61
           self.display(1, "error on test set",
62
                       self.evaluate(self.test_ratings))
63
```

learn carries out *num_iter* steps of gradient descent.

```
+ self.item_bias.get(item,0) #self.item_bias[item]
71
72
                       sum([self.user_prop.get(user,self.zeros)[p]*self.item_prop.get(item,self.zeros)
                          for p in range(self.num_properties)]))
73
74
       def learn(self, num_iter = 50):
75
           """ do num_iter iterations of gradient descent."""
76
77
           for i in range(num_iter):
               self.iter += 1
78
               abs_error=0
79
               sumsq_error=0
80
               for (user,item,rating,timestamp) in
81
                   random.sample(self.ratings, len(self.ratings)):
                   error = self.prediction(user,item) - rating
82
                   abs_error += abs(error)
83
                   sumsq_error += error * error
84
                   self.user_bias[user] -= self.step_size*error
85
                   self.item_bias[item] -= self.step_size*error
86
                   for p in range(self.num_properties):
87
                       self.user_prop[user][p] -=
88
                           self.step_size*error*self.item_prop[item][p]
                      self.item_prop[item][p] -=
89
                           self.step_size*error*self.user_prop[user][p]
               for user in self.users:
90
                    self.user_bias[user] -= self.step_size*self.reglz*
91
                        self.user_bias[user]
                    for p in range(self.num_properties):
92
                        self.user_prop[user][p] -=
93
                            self.step_size*self.reglz*self.user_prop[user][p]
               for item in self.items:
94
                   self.item_bias[item] -=
95
                       self.step_size*self.reglz*self.item_bias[item]
                   for p in range(self.num_properties):
96
97
                       self.item_prop[item][p] -=
                           self.step_size*self.reglz*self.item_prop[item][p]
               self.display(1,"Iteration", self.iter,
98
                     "(Ave Abs, AveSumSq) training
99
                         =", self.evaluate(self.ratings),
100
                     "test =",self.evaluate(self.test_ratings))
```

evaluate evaluates current predictions on the rating set:

```
def evaluate(self,ratings):
    """returns (avergage_absolute_error, average_sum_squares_error) for
        ratings
    """
    abs_error = 0
    sumsq_error = 0
    if not ratings: return (0,0)
    for (user,item,rating,timestamp) in ratings:
```

```
error = self.prediction(user,item) - rating
abs_error += abs(error)
sumsq_error += error * error
return abs_error/len(ratings), sumsq_error/len(ratings)
```

14.1.1 Alternative Formulation

An alternative formulation is to regularize after each update.

14.1.2 Plotting

```
_relnCollFilt.py — (continued)
        def plot_predictions(self, examples="test"):
114
115
            examples is either "test" or "training" or the actual examples
116
117
            if examples == "test":
118
                examples = self.test_ratings
119
120
            elif examples == "training":
               examples = self.ratings
121
            plt.ion()
122
            plt.xlabel("prediction")
123
            plt.ylabel("cumulative proportion")
124
            self.actuals = [[] for r in range(0,6)]
125
            for (user,item,rating,timestamp) in examples:
                self.actuals[rating].append(self.prediction(user,item))
127
            for rating in range(1,6):
128
                self.actuals[rating].sort()
129
               numrat=len(self.actuals[rating])
130
               yvals = [i/numrat for i in range(numrat)]
131
132
               plt.plot(self.actuals[rating], yvals,
                    label="rating="+str(rating))
            plt.legend()
133
            plt.draw()
134
```

This plots a single property. Each (user, item, rating) is plotted where the x-value is the value of the property for the user, the y-value is the value of the property for the item, and the rating is plotted at this (x, y) position. That is, rating is plotted at the (x, y) position (p(user), p(item)).

```
def plot_property(self,

p, # property

plot_all=False, # true if all points should be plotted

num_points=200 # number of random points plotted if not

all

):

"""plot some of the user-movie ratings,
```

```
142
            if plot_all is true
143
            num_points is the number of points selected at random plotted.
144
            the plot has the users on the x-axis sorted by their value on
145
                property p and
            with the items on the y-axis sorted by their value on property p and
146
147
            the ratings plotted at the corresponding x-y position.
148
            plt.ion()
149
            plt.xlabel("users")
150
            plt.ylabel("items")
151
            user_vals = [self.user_prop[u][p]
152
                        for u in self.users]
153
            item_vals = [self.item_prop[i][p]
154
                         for i in self.items]
155
            plt.axis([min(user_vals)-0.02,
156
                      max(user_vals)+0.05,
157
                      min(item_vals)-0.02,
158
                      max(item_vals)+0.05])
159
            if plot_all:
160
                for (u,i,r,t) in self.ratings:
161
162
                    plt.text(self.user_prop[u][p],
                            self.item_prop[i][p],
163
                            str(r))
164
            else:
165
                for i in range(num_points):
166
                    (u,i,r,t) = random.choice(self.ratings)
167
168
                    plt.text(self.user_prop[u][p],
                            self.item_prop[i][p],
169
                            str(r)
170
            plt.show()
171
```

14.1.3 Creating Rating Sets

A rating set can be read from the Internet or read from a local file. The default is to read the Movielens 100K dataset from the Internet. It would be more efficient to save the dataset as a local file, and then set $local_file = True$, as then it will not need to download the dataset every time the program is run.

```
reInCollFilt.py — (continued)
    class Rating_set(Displayable):
173
        def __init__(self,
174
175
                     date_split=892000000,
                     local_file=False,
176
                     url="http://files.grouplens.org/datasets/movielens/ml-100k/u.data",
177
                      file_name="u.data"):
178
            self.display(1, "reading...")
179
            if local_file:
180
                lines = open(file_name,'r')
181
            else:
182
```

```
lines = (line.decode('utf-8') for line in
183
                    urllib.request.urlopen(url))
            all_ratings = (tuple(int(e) for e in line.strip().split('\t'))
                           for line in lines)
185
            self.training_ratings = []
186
            self.training\_stats = \{1:0, 2:0, 3:0, 4:0, 5:0\}
187
188
            self.test_ratings = []
            self.test\_stats = \{1:0, 2:0, 3:0, 4:0, 5:0\}
189
            for rate in all_ratings:
190
                if rate[3] < date_split: # rate[3] is timestamp</pre>
191
                   self.training_ratings.append(rate)
192
                   self.training_stats[rate[2]] += 1
193
               else:
194
                    self.test_ratings.append(rate)
195
                   self.test_stats[rate[2]] += 1
196
            self.display(1,"...read:", len(self.training_ratings),"training
197
                ratings and",
                   len(self.test_ratings), "test ratings")
198
            tr_users = {user for (user, item, rating, timestamp) in
199
                self.training_ratings}
            test_users = {user for (user,item,rating,timestamp) in
200
                self.test_ratings}
            self.display(1, "users: ",len(tr_users), "training,",len(test_users), "test,",
201
                        len(tr_users & test_users), "in common")
202
            tr_items = {item for (user,item,rating,timestamp) in
203
                self.training_ratings}
            test_items = {item for (user,item,rating,timestamp) in
204
                self.test_ratings}
            self.display(1, "items: ", len(tr_items), "training, ", len(test_items), "test,",
205
                        len(tr_items & test_items), "in common")
206
            self.display(1, "Rating statistics for training set:
207
                ", self.training_stats)
            self.display(1,"Rating statistics for test set: ",self.test_stats)
208
```

Sometimes it is useful to plot a property for all (user, item, rating) triples. There are too many such triples in the data set. The method create_top_subset creates a much smaller dataset where this makes sense. It picks the most rated items, then picks the users who have the most ratings on these items. It is designed for depicting the meaning of properties, and may not be useful for other purposes.

```
def create_top_subset(self, num_items = 30, num_users = 30):
"""Returns a subset of the ratings by picking the most rated items, and then the users that have most ratings on these, and then all of the ratings that involve these users and items.
"""
items = {item for (user,item,rating,timestamp) in self.training_ratings}
```

```
item_counts = {i:0 for i in items}
217
218
            for (user,item,rating,timestamp) in self.training_ratings:
               item_counts[item] += 1
219
220
            items_sorted = sorted((item_counts[i],i) for i in items)
221
            top_items = items_sorted[-num_items:]
222
223
            set_top_items = set(item for (count, item) in top_items)
224
            users = {user for (user,item,rating,timestamp) in
225
                self.training_ratings}
            user_counts = {u:0 for u in users}
226
            for (user,item,rating,timestamp) in self.training_ratings:
227
               if item in set_top_items:
228
                   user_counts[user] += 1
229
230
            users_sorted = sorted((user_counts[u],u)
231
                                 for u in users)
232
            top_users = users_sorted[-num_users:]
233
            set_top_users = set(user for (count, user) in top_users)
234
            used_ratings = [ (user,item,rating,timestamp)
235
                           for (user,item,rating,timestamp) in
236
                                self.training_ratings
                           if user in set_top_users and item in set_top_items]
237
            return used_ratings
238
239
    movielens = Rating_set()
240
    learner1 = CF_learner(movielens, num_properties = 1)
241
    #learner1.learn(50)
   # learner1.plot_predictions(examples = "training")
243
    # learner1.plot_predictions(examples = "test")
244
    #learner1.plot_property(0)
245
    #movielens_subset = movielens.create_top_subset(num_items = 20, num_users
246
        = 20)
247
    #learner_s = CF_learner(movielens, rating_subset=movielens_subset,
        test_subset=[], num_properties=1)
    #learner_s.learn(1000)
248
   | #learner_s.plot_property(0,plot_all=True)
```

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- 2021-07-08 Version 0.9.1 updated the CSP code to have the same representation of variables as used by the probability code
- 2021-05-13 Version 0.9.0 Major revisions to chapters 8 and 9. Introduced recursive conditioning, simplified much code. New section on multiagent reinforcement learning.
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