

# Pseudo Code for Scavenger Hunt Algorithms

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## A Algorithm Pseudocode

The pseudocode for all the solution algorithms described in Section 4 are presented in this section to fully specify our algorithms and to aid replicability.

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**Algorithm 1** Proximity-Based Search

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**Require:** A graph  $G = (N, E)$ , a set of objects  $O$ , a distribution  $D$ , start location node  $n_0$

- 1: Initialize  $n_0$ ,  $Y_0$  and  $\tau_0$  with  $t = 0$
- 2: **while**  $Y_{t,i} \neq 0, \forall i \in [k]$  **do**
- 3:    $n_{t+1} \leftarrow \arg \min_{n \in N} \{e_{n_t, n} | \exists o \in O, p_o^n > 0\}$
- 4:   Travel to  $n_{t+1}$
- 5:   Update  $D$ ,  $Y_{t+1}$  and  $\tau_{t+1}$  based on the occurrence of objects at  $n_{t+1}$
- 6:    $t = t + 1$
- 7: **end while**

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**Algorithm 2** Probability-Based Search

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**Require:** A graph  $G = (N, E)$ , a set of objects  $O$ , a distribution  $D$ , start location node  $n_0$

- 1: Initialize  $n_0$ ,  $Y_0$  and  $\tau_0$  with  $t = 0$
- 2: **while**  $Y_{t,i} \neq 0, \forall i \in [k]$  **do**
- 3:    $n_{t+1} \leftarrow \arg \max_{n \in N} \{1 - \prod_{o \in O} (1 - p_o^n)\}$
- 4:   Travel to  $n_{t+1}$
- 5:   Update  $D$ ,  $Y_{t+1}$  and  $\tau_{t+1}$  based on the occurrence of objects at  $n_{t+1}$
- 6:    $t = t + 1$
- 7: **end while**

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**Algorithm 3** Probability-Proximity Search

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**Require:** A graph  $G = (N, E)$ , a set of objects  $O$ , a distribution  $D$ , start location node  $n_0$

- 1: Initialize  $n_0, Y_0$  and  $\tau_0$  with  $t = 0$
- 2: **while**  $Y_{t,i} \neq 0, \forall i \in [k]$  **do**  
    
$$n_{t+1} \leftarrow \arg \max_{n \in N} \frac{1 - \prod_{o \in O} (1 - p_o^n)}{e_{n_t, n}}$$
- 3:     Travel to  $n_{t+1}$
- 4:     Update  $D, Y_{t+1}$  and  $\tau_{t+1}$  based on the occurrence of objects at  $n_{t+1}$
- 5:      $t = t + 1$
- 6: **end while**

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**Algorithm 4** DQN Algorithm

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**Require:** A graph  $G = (N, E)$ , a set of objects  $O$ , a distribution  $D$ , start location node  $n_0$ , a trained policy  $\pi(a|s)$

- 1: Initialize  $n_0, Y_0$  and  $\tau_0$  with  $t = 0$
- 2: **while**  $Y_{t,i} \neq 0, \forall i \in [k]$  **do**
- 3:      $s \leftarrow \text{build\_observation}(G, D)$
- 4:      $n_{t+1} \leftarrow \arg \max_{a \in N} \pi(a|s)$
- 5:     Travel to  $n_{t+1}$
- 6:     Update  $D, Y_{t+1}$  and  $\tau_{t+1}$  based on the occurrence of objects at  $n_{t+1}$
- 7:      $t = t + 1$
- 8: **end while**

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**Algorithm 5** Exhaustive Bayesian Search

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**Require:** A graph  $G = (N, E)$ , a set of objects  $O$ , a distribution  $D$ , start location node  $n_0$

- 1: Initialize  $n_0, Y_0$  and  $\tau_0$  with  $t = 0$
- 2: **while**  $Y_{t,i} \neq 0, \forall i \in [k]$  **do**
- 3:     best\_path =  $\emptyset$
- 4:     best\_cost =  $\emptyset$
- 5:     **for** path in all the possible paths **do**
- 6:         expected\_cost =  $\sum_{X \in N^m} D(X|\tau_t) * \text{compute\_cost}(\text{path}, X)$
- 7:         **if** expected\_cost < best\_cost **then**
- 8:             best\_path = path
- 9:             best\_cost = expected\_cost
- 10:         **end if**
- 11:     **end for**
- 12:      $n_{t+1} \leftarrow \text{first node in best\_path}$
- 13:     Travel to node  $n_{t+1}$
- 14:     Update  $D, Y_{t+1}$  and  $\tau_{t+1}$  based on the occurrence of objects at  $n_{t+1}$
- 15:      $t = t + 1$
- 16: **end while**

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**Algorithm 6** Salesman Search

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**Require:** A graph  $G = (N, E)$ , a set of objects  $O$ , a distribution  $D$ , start location node  $n_0$

- 1: Initialize  $n_0, Y_0$  and  $\tau_0$  with  $t = 0$
- 2:  $\text{shortest\_path} \leftarrow \text{compute\_shortest\_path}(N, E)$  {shortest path that visits all the nodes in  $N$ }
- 3: **while**  $Y_{t,i} \neq 0, \forall i \in [k]$  **do**
- 4:    $n_{t+1} \leftarrow \text{next\_node\_in\_path}(\text{shortest\_path}, n_t)$
- 5:   Travel to  $n_{t+1}$
- 6:   Update  $D, Y_{t+1}$  and  $\tau_{t+1}$  based on the occurrence of objects at  $n_{t+1}$
- 7:    $t = t + 1$
- 8: **end while**

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**Algorithm 7** Offline Optimal Search

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**Require:** A graph  $G = (N, E)$ , a set of objects  $O$ , objects locations  $X$ , a distribution  $D$ , start location node  $n_0$

- 1: Initialize  $n_0, Y_0$  and  $\tau_0$  with  $t = 0$
- 2:  $\text{shortest\_path} \leftarrow \text{compute\_shortest\_path}(X, E)$  {shortest path that visits all the nodes in  $X$ }
- 3: **while**  $Y_{t,i} \neq 0, \forall i \in [k]$  **do**
- 4:    $n_{t+1} \leftarrow \text{next\_node\_in\_path}(\text{shortest\_path}, n_t)$
- 5:   Travel to  $n_{t+1}$
- 6:   Update  $D, Y_{t+1}$  and  $\tau_{t+1}$  based on the occurrence of objects at  $n_{t+1}$
- 7:    $t = t + 1$
- 8: **end while**

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