

The Answer of Part4

Set 7

The source code for the Critter class is in the critters directory

1. What methods are implemented in Critter?

Ans: act(), getActors(), processActors(), getMoveLocations(), selectMoveLocation() and makeMove().

2. What are the five basic actions common to all critters when they act?

Ans: getActors(), processActors(), getMoveLocations(), selectMoveLocation() and makeMove().

3. Should subclasses of Critter override the getActors method? Explain.

Ans: Some subclasses should, like the class CrabCriter, which only process the Actors on then front, left and right location.

4. Describe the way that a critter could process actors.

Ans: Find the ArrayList of actors, then call the processActor() method, with the ArrayList as the parameter. The Actors can be processed by calling their methods.

5. What three methods must be invoked to make a critter move? Explain each of these methods.

Ans: getMoveLocations() -> to find the locations to be chosen to make move.

selectMoveLocations() -> to choose a location from the available locations to move.

makeMove() -> to move to the destination.

6. Why is there no Critter constructor?

Ans: Because the Critter class has no special value different from the class Actor.

So it doesn't need constructor to init value.

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The source code for the ChameleonCriticter class is in the critters directory

1. Why does act cause a ChameleonCriticter to act differently from a Critter even though ChameleonCriticter does not override act?

Ans: Beacause the method called by act method are overridden.

2. Why does the makeMove method of ChameleonCriticter call super.makeMove?

Ans: Because super.makeMove is the mothod of the supclass Critter. Excepting direction, the implement of makeMove of ChameleonCriticter is the same of class Critter, so calling super.makeMove.

3. How would you make the ChameleonCriticter drop flowers in its old location when it moves?

Ans: I would override the method makeMove to implement it.

4. Why doesn't ChameleonCriticter override the getActors method?

Ans: Because it get actor in the same way with it super class Critter: All the neighbor actors.

5. Which class contains the getLocation method?

Ans: Actor class.

6. How can a Critter access its own grid?

Ans: Using getGrid() method.

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The source code for the CrabCriticter class is reproduced at the end of this part of GridWorld.

1. Why doesn't CrabCriticter override the processActors method?

Ans: Because it has the same way to process actors. That's eating them, excepting rock and critter.

2. Describe the process a CrabCriticter uses to find and eat other actors. Does it always eat all neighboring actors? Explain.

Ans: First, get the neighbor actors.

Second, from the neighboring actors, choose the actors that are not

flower or rock and remove them from the grid. If the neighboring actor is flower or critter, it will not be eaten.

3. Why is the `getLocationsInDirections` method used in `CrabCritic`?

Ans: To find all the Location in left and right.

4. If a `CrabCritic` has location (3, 4) and faces south, what are the possible locations for actors that are returned by a call to the `getActors` method?

Ans: (4, 3), (4, 5) and (4, 4).

5. What are the similarities and differences between the movements of a `CrabCritic` and a `Critic`?

Ans: Similarities: They both eat actors except critters and rocks. They only move 1 step in each act when they can move. They both randomly select a location to move.

Differences: `Critic` can move in all directions, while `CrabCritic` can only move in left or right.

6. How does a `CrabCritic` determine when it turns instead of moving?

Ans: When the destination location is the location of itself, the `CrabCritic` will turn instead of moving.

7. Why don't the `CrabCritic` objects eat each other?

Ans: Because `CrabCritic` is the extended class of `Critic`, in the `processActor` method from `Critic`, `Critic` can not be eaten, so `CrabCritic` don't eat each other.