



AI Klausur

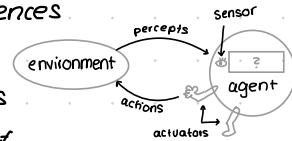
GENERAL

Notions of 'AI'

- Strong AI = Systems thinking / acting like humans
- Weak AI = Systems thinking / acting rationally \Rightarrow Intelligent Agents
- 'Thinking' rationally = Laws of thought / Logic, normative rules of derivation
- 'Acting' rationally = maximise goal achievement based on available info
- \rightarrow computational limits make perfect rationality unachievable
 - \rightarrow we seek rational agent with best performance
- AI \neq machine Learning (ML is part of AI)

INTELLIGENT AGENTS

- Situated agents: humans, robots, thermostat, ...
 - sensors: for perceiving world \rightarrow produce perception sequences
 - actuators: for acting
 - agent function: $f: P^* \rightarrow A$ percept histories \rightarrow actions
 - agent program runs on physical architecture to produce f .



Agent = Architecture + Programm

Architecture = Programming device + sensors + actuators

Programm = gets sensor data \rightarrow returns actions for actuators

- Rationality: defined by... Performance measure (criteria of success) + prior knowledge of env. + percept sequence (history) = agent actions

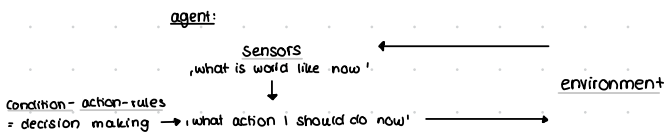
For each possible percept history, select an action that is expected to maximize its performance measure, given the evidence by the percept history and whatever built-in knowledge the agent has.

- Rational agent: does the 'right' thing based on information / knowl.
 - = exploration of world, learning, autonomy
 - \neq perfect, omniscient, clairvoyant
- Agent characteristics: PEAS
 - Performance (efficiency, safety, ...)
 - Environment (to consider)
 - Actuators (I can use)
 - Sensors (input)

- Environment types
 - fully vs. partially observable
 - deterministic vs. stochastic
 - episodic vs. sequential
 - static vs. dynamic
 - discrete vs. continuous
 - known vs. unknown
 - single-agent vs. multi-agent

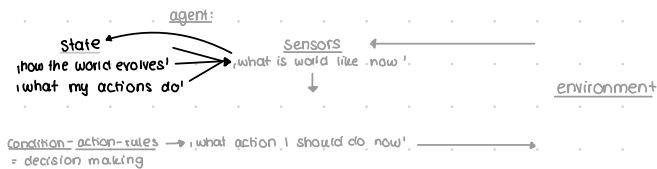
- Agent types : 4 types, hierarchy by capabilities

1. Simple reflex agent



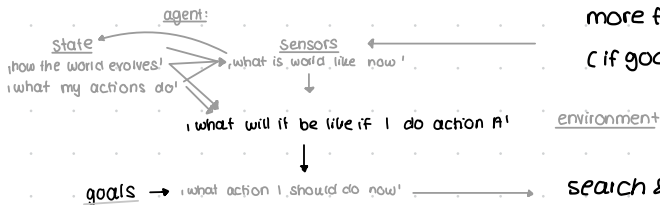
no memory
no sequences of percepts
looping possible

2. Model-based reflex agent with state



memory
update world state
reason about unobservable parts
goals only implicit

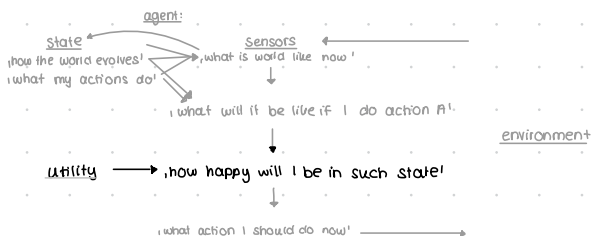
3. goal-based agent



explicit goals, world, actions & effects
more flexible better maintainable
(if goals change don't need to change rules)

search & planning of actions to achieve goal

4. utility based agent



access goals with utility function
resolve conflicting goals
only expected utility

PROBLEM SOLVING & SEARCH

- Search Problem Definition

1. Initial state
2. Successor function = set of action state pairs
3. goal test (implicit: x has..., explicit: $=x$)
4. path cost (additive), $C(x,a,y)$ step cost from x to y with action a

A solution is a sequence of actions leading from the initial state to the goal state

State space must be abstracted (easier than real problem)

- Basic search algorithms: offline = world doesn't change

1. Tree-Like search:

generate successors of already explored states (expanding states)

maintain list of nodes available for expansion (frontier)

function TREE-SEARCH (problem) returns a solution or failure

initialize the frontier using the initial state of problem

loop do

if the frontier is empty then return failure

choose a leaf node and remove it from the frontier

if the node contains a goal state then return the corresponding solution

expand the chosen node, adding the resulting nodes to the frontier

for repeated states

linear problem might turn
into exponential one!

2. Graph-search:

besides frontier maintain explored set

function GRAPH-SEARCH (problem) returns a solution or failure

initialize the frontier using the initial state of problem

initialize the explored set to be empty

loop do

if the frontier is empty then return failure

choose a leaf node and remove it from the frontier

if the node contains a goal state then return the corresponding solution

add the node to the explored set

expand the chosen node, adding the resulting nodes to the frontier

only if not in the frontier or explored set

optimization: reached set: all states with generated nodes

- Implementation

- A node (datastructure) consists of:
state, parent, children, depth, path cost $g(x)$
- Frontier is a queue

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function NODE(problem, parent, action) returns a node
  return a node with
    STATE = problem.RESULT(parent.STATE, action),
    PARENT = parent, ACTION = action,
    PATH-COST = parent.PATH-COST + problem.STEP-COST(parent.STATE, action)
```

python etc.: `yield NODE(STATE = ..., PARENT = ..., ACTION=..., PATH-COST=...)`

- Search strategies:

- uninformed search = basic algorithms, only info in problem definition
- informed search = information about solution cost (heuristic)
- local search = 'history-less', one step changes

- Search strategy evaluations:

- completeness = does it always find solution if one exists?
- optimality = does it find least-cost solution?
- time complexity = number of nodes generated / expanded
- space complexity = max. number of nodes in memory

For time & space:

- b = maximum branching factor
- d = depth of least cost solution
- m = maximum depth of state space (∞ if loop)

A tree has b^m nodes: level 0: 1, level 1: m level 2: $m \cdot m$ level 3: m^3

The root has level 0! $\therefore m=2!$

UNINFORMED SEARCHES

- Breadth-First-Search (BFS): expand shallowest unexpanded node
Frontier is FIFO, successors go at end, reached set for no loops
Goal test at generation time before putting child into frontier

→ complete if b is finite, optimal if step cost = 1,
time & space $O(b^d)$ if goal test gen. time, $O(b^{d+1})$ if exp. time

- Uniform-cost-search: takes past cost into account

≥ Best-First-Search: expand least-cost unexpanded node

Frontier is priority queue sorted by evaluation function f = path cost

Goal test at expansion time → stop at optimal, not any solution

→ complete if step cost ≥ ϵ (lower bound), optimal: yes $O(b^{1 + \lceil c^*/\epsilon \rceil})$

time & space: n with $g(n) \leq c^*$ c^* = cost of optimal solution, if cost = 1 \Leftrightarrow BFS

- Depth First Search (DFS): expand deepest unexpanded node

Frontier is LIFO queue, put successors at front

→ complete: no in infinite spaces / loops, optimal: no, stop at first not best sol

↳ tree like version. keep explored set → complete in finite spaces

time: $O(b^m)$. if solutions are dense may be faster than BFS, space: $O(bm)$

variant: only keep 1 successor node at a time & backtrack ^{store only} 1 branch

- Depth-limited search (DLS)
 - DFS with depth limit $\ell \rightarrow$ report cutoff at limit
- Iterative deepening search (IDS): Increase limit ℓ iterative
 - \rightarrow complete: yes, optimal: if step cost = 1; mildly more expensive th. BFS
 - time: $O(b^d)$, space: $O(bd)$
- Bidirectional search (BDS): needs invertible actions
 - go forward from initial & backward from goal state \rightarrow meet at $d/2$
 - \Rightarrow 2 queues (BFS or UCS) + check whether exp. node in other set
 - \rightarrow complete: if step cost $\geq \epsilon$, optimal: yes, both if b is finite
 - time & space: $O(b^{d/2})$

Criterion	BFS	UCS	DFS	DLS	IDS	BDS
Complete?	Yes ^{α}	Yes ^{α, β}	No	No	Yes ^{α}	Yes ^{α, δ}
Optimal?	Yes ^{γ}	Yes	No	No	Yes ^{γ}	Yes ^{α, δ}
Time	$O(b^d)$	$O(b^{1+(C'/\epsilon)})$	$O(b^m)$	$O(b^d)$	$O(b^d)$	$O(b^{d/2})$
Space	$O(b^d)$	$O(b^{1+(C'/\epsilon)})$	$O(bm)$	$O(b\ell)$	$O(bd)$	$O(b^{d/2})$

All only complete if b finite

^{α} if b is finite

^{β} if step costs $\geq \epsilon$ for positive ϵ

^{γ} optimal if step costs are all identical

^{δ} if both directions are BFS or UCS

- \rightarrow time can be overcome with technical improvements, memory is crucial \Rightarrow IDS with linear space!
- \rightarrow Graph search can be exponentially more efficient than tree-like-S
- Klausurfrage: Is IDS optimal if costs increase with depths?
 - = monoton ansteigende Kosten \Rightarrow ja! (laut Wikipedia)

INFORMED / HEURISTIC SEARCHES

= using problem- / domain specific knowledge

= evaluation function $f(n)$ estimating real-life / optimal function $f^*(n)$

- \rightarrow heuristic function $h(n)$ estimates minimal cost from state n to goal
 - $h(\text{goal}) = 0$ $h(n)$ gets smaller to goal computing $h(n)$ has low cost
- $h(n)$ admissible: for every node: $h(n) \geq 0$ $h(\text{goal}) = 0$
 - $h(n) \leq h^*(n)$, $h^*(n)$ = true costs $\Rightarrow h(n)$ is lower bound = optimistic
- $h(n)$ consistent: for every node n & successor n' & cost $c(n, a, n')$
 - $h(n) \leq c(n, a, n') + h(n') \rightarrow$ then $f(n) = g(n) + h(n)$ is non-decreasing
 - \uparrow spent cost
- how to get admissible heuristics? derive from subproblem or derive from exact resolution cost of relaxed version of problem

consistent: $f(n) = g(n) + h(n) = g(n) + (c(n, a, n) + h(n)) \geq g(n) + h(n) = f(n) \Leftrightarrow f(n) \geq f(n)$

- For admissible heuristics: better the nearer to real cost

• h_1 & h_2 adm. $\rightarrow h_2$ dominates h_1 if $h_2(n) \geq h_1(n)$ for every node n
 \Rightarrow if h_2 dominates h_1 , it's better for search

• h_1 & h_2 adm $\rightarrow h(n) = \max(h_1(n), h_2(n))$ is adm. & dominates h_1 & h_2

- Greedy Search: uses $f(n) = h(n)$, only local info, not already spent costs
Expand node with smallest f -value

\rightarrow complete: yes, if with loop checks, optimal: no, but okay

time & space: $O(b^m)$ bad!

- A*-search: uses $f(n) = g(n) + h(n) \rightarrow$ avoid expanding already expensive paths

$g(n)$: path cost so far from start to n

$h(n)$: estimated costs from n to goal

$f(n)$: estimated total path cost through n to goal

find node via
path that is not
optimal first
 \rightarrow already in frontier/
reached set
 \uparrow

\rightarrow if $h(n)$ is admissible, A*-search (tree search) is optimal

\hookrightarrow A* (graph search) can discard optimal solutions even if $h(n)$ is adm.

\rightarrow if $h(n)$ is consistent, A*-search (graph search) is optimal

\Rightarrow A* search expands nodes in order of increasing f -values:

gradually add ' f -contours': contour f_i has all nodes with $f < f_i$, where $f_i < f_{i+1}$

A* search expands all nodes with $f(n) < C^*$, some nodes with $f(n) = C^*$,

no nodes with $f(n) > C^*$, fewest nodes safely if $h(n)$ consistent

\rightarrow complete: yes, unless infinite number of nodes with $f(n) \leq f(G)$, optimal: yes

time: exponential in $E \times d$ with relative error $\epsilon = \frac{h(n_0) - h^*(n_0)}{h^*(n_0)}$ $h^*(n_0) = C^*$

space: $O(b^d)$ exponential (stores every expanded node)

- Memory bound search: remedies of A* exp memory consumption

• Avoid duplication in reached, frontier

• Iterative deepening A* (IDA*) \approx IDS

\rightarrow with limit cost $C \rightarrow$ next limit: smallest value $f(n) > C \dots$ f -contours = expanding

\rightarrow no storage of nodes beyond optimal cost: space $O(d)$ linear

• Recursive First-Best Search (RFBS)

f -limit = value of best alternative path than current node n

\rightarrow if $f(n) > f$ -limit: unwind back to alternative path

& change f -values of nodes to best f -value of their children (sub-tree)

\rightarrow optimal if $h(n)$ admissible

but more time for regenerating paths
in exchange for saving space!

SEARCH IN COMPLEX ENVIRONMENTS

→ no model of domain / info of heuristics available → generate info locally

LOCAL SEARCH ⇒ suitable for online environment

Path not relevant, only goal state, state space = set of complete configurations

⇒ find optimal configuration (e.g. Traveling Salesmen Problem (TSP))

• Hill climbing (Gradient Descent / Ascent):

try out highest-valued neighbour / successor for better solution

→ problem: might get stuck on local maxima / flat maxima / ridges (sequences of local maxima)

⇒ remedies: random ^{if done often enough}-restart ⇒ complete, side [↓] moves, stochastic neighbor selection

• Simulated annealing:

allow intermediate bad solutions / moves → escape local maxima gradually

start with $t=1$, decrease t gradually "cooling of"

choose random successor of current

The higher t , the more

if successor is better than current, choose successor

accept bad moves

if successor is worse, choose it with a probability depending on t

once $t=0$ return current

→ will find optimal solution if cooling-down slow enough

⇒ 'slow enough' can be worse than exhaustive search!

• Local beam search

keep k states in memory & choose top k of all their successors

→ searches finding good states recruit other searches

→ problem: might all end up on same local hill

→ ~ natural selection

→ remedy: choose k successors randomly, but biased towards good ones

→ problem: states get too close → remedy: use stochastic variant

• Genetic algorithms

= stochastic local beam search + successors from combining

1. Select parents weighted by fitness (quality)

2. Crossover: reproduce child

3. With small probability mutate child

→ do so until an individual is fit enough or time is up

- ⇒ requires states (individuals) encoded as strings / programs / ...
- ⇒ crossover can produce solutions distant from parents
- ⇒ crossover only helps if substrings are meaningful = components / blocks
else no more helpful than shuffling randomly

CONTINUOUS STATE SPACES e.g. minimizing a function $f(x)$

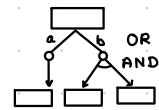
Approaches:

- Constraint optimization: optimize objective function f
convex optimization: linear programming
- Discretization: turn continuous space into finitely many successors
empirical gradient search: steepest ascent hill-climbing
- Gradient method: analytical approach: find optimum $f'(x) = 0$

SEARCH WITH NONDETERMINISTIC ACTIONS = follow-up states not determined

belief-state = set of states the agent is possibly in

→ solution must take belief states into account



• And-Or-Tree:

OR-Nodes = choice of action in some state

AND-Nodes = possible action outcomes

⇒ solution is a subtree that has a goal state at each leaf

→ terminates in finite spaces, can use BFS, UCS, A* with admissible heuristic

- cyclic solutions: if loops at leaf must consider worst case

→ while loop with chance of escape, use labels

→ not applicable if hidden variables prevent loop exit

ONLINE SEARCH: in dynamic world = environment changes

lack of information, action effects unclear → search as you go

Action(s) = set of actions doable in state s learn $RESULT(s, a)$

⇒ reach goal from initial state, local expansion $s \rightarrow s'$, no jumping

→ dead ends: backtrack, consider goal reachable from any space

- Implementation via DFS suitable: From state try all actions (save, untried), until goal or dead-end → backtrack (save, unbacktracked for each state)

- Performance measuring: competitive ratio: cost of path traveled / optimal path
characteristics: size of state space

• Online local search by hill climbing: no random restart, but random walk
= randomly picking actions → in finite spaces complete, but exponential time

LEARNING FROM EXAMPLES

Learning = modifying agent's decision mechanism to improve performance

→ for unknown environments, when programming is not possible

Learning agent architecture:

- Performance element:

select external actions

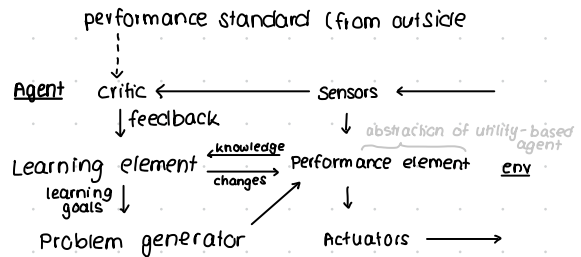
- Critic: performance/result assessment

→ view past outcomes

- Learning element:

make improvements

- Problem generator: suggest actions for new experiences



E.g. taxi: PE = driving, Critic: customer feedback, LE: break softly, Problem gen: try breaks on rain

Learning element (LE) makes changes on knowledge elements

Design depends on: type of performance element, functional component, representation of funct. comp., feedback-type

Performance element	Functional component	Representation	Feedback
Alpha-beta search	Evaluation function	Weighted linear function	Win/loss
Logical agent	Transition model	Successor-state axioms	Outcome
Utility-based agent	Transition model	Dynamic Bayes net	Outcome
Simple reflex agent	Percept-action function	Neural net	Right action

Representation of states of the world:

- atomic = monolithic states (blackbox) with labels → search algorithms

- factored = with attributes with values → planning, CSP

- structured = dependency / relationships betw. attributes → Logic, bayesian network

Learning modes:

- unsupervised: no feedback → clustering, concept formation

- supervised: correct answer for each instance ('label')

→ requires teacher / labelling reward ≠ correct answer

→ In practice: semi-supervised = mix of labelled & unlabelled

- Reinforcement: occasional reward / punishment ≈ payoff

* classification methods (s.b.)

- support vector machines: maximum margin separators

- k-nearest neighbour: the larger k, the less overfitting

INDUCTIVE LEARNING = Learn functions from examples

f is the target function, an example is pair $(x, f(x)) = \text{expected}(\text{input}, \text{output})$

Given an finite training set $(x_1, y_1) \dots (x_n, y_n)$ of examples $y_i = \text{ground truth}$

find a function h that approximates f : $h \approx f$ $h = \text{hypothesis}$

→ if $h = f$, the learning problem is realizable

• types of outputs:

- classification = one of finitely many values $\neq (\text{s.a.})$

- regression = a number

• assumptions (highly simplified):

→ no prior knowledge, deterministic observable environment,
given examples (selection of new hard!), agent wants to learn f

• Inductive learning method:

Construct / adjust h to agree with f on training set (= h consistent)

→ curve fitting linear / quadratic / ^{< degree k for k examples} polynomial / complicated

→ 'Ockham's razor': maximize simplicity under consistency

• complex vs. simple hypotheses:

- semantic: bias-variance trade-off

bias = deviation from expected output over different training sets

variance = change in h by change in training set

$v \uparrow$ → complex h : fit data well \Rightarrow overfitting = too much adjusted to particular data

$b \uparrow$ → simpler h : generalize better \Rightarrow underfitting = no pattern found in data

- computational: issue = computational complexity $h^* = \arg\max_{h \in H} P(\text{data} | h) \cdot P(h)$

trade-off expressiveness h space \leftrightarrow finding a good h in it

• measuring learning performance: Hume's Problem: $h_2 = f$?

- use computational / statistical theorems

- try h on new test set from same distribution as training set

→ Learning curve: $x = \%$ of correct $y = \text{num of examples (training set size)}$

↳ depends on: realizability of f (e.g. missing attributes, h space too restrictive)
redundant expressiveness (loads of irrelevant attributes)
(only linear...)

DECISION TREES = A possible representation of h
 uses attributes = factored representation
 input vector of values of attributes \rightarrow outputs decision
 tree = sequence of tests on attributes (nodes), for each value 1 child-node
 \rightarrow each leaf gives decision

- boolean classification would be only values T/yes, F/no
 \Rightarrow Decision trees can express any function

\Rightarrow There is a trivial consistent decision tree

for any training set: 1 path to leaf per ex

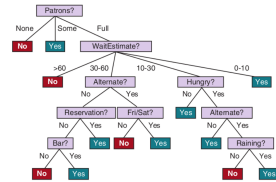
\Rightarrow aim: generalize = find small ^{flat} consistent dt

\Rightarrow recursively choose most 'significant' attribute

\rightarrow if no more examples/attr. before classif., return plurality value

\rightarrow if attr. empty: nondeterministic domain, hidden attributes

The "true" tree for deciding whether to wait:



• Choosing attributes: good attributes split examples into classes

- Greedy approach: pick attribute with most classifications

- Information gain: not only max. classif., consider entropy

The more uncertain the outcome (= the higher the entropy), the more info an attribute contains when classified. For $\frac{1}{2} \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{2}$ max = 1 bit, $0.1 \leftrightarrow 0.9$ low

• Entropy $h(\langle p_1, \dots, p_n \rangle) = -\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \cdot \log_2(p_i)$

for $n=2$ (boolean) $h(\langle p_1, p_2 \rangle) = B(p_1) = -p_1 \cdot \log_2(p_1) - (1-p_1) \cdot \log_2(1-p_1)$

• Remainder $Rem(A) = \sum_k \frac{p_k + n_k}{p + n} \cdot B\left(\frac{p_k}{p_k + p_n}\right)$ bits to classify attr.

• Gain(A) = $B(p/(n+p)) - Rem(A)$ If $Rem(A) = 0 \rightarrow$ all examples classified

Bits to classify example set = entropy - Rem = how much entropy stays

Gain = a lot of unsureness, but few stays

- Broadenings: missing values, continuous att \rightarrow use split points, c. output \rightarrow function

ALTERNATIVE HYPOTHESES

For n attr. there exist 2^{2^n} non-equiv. decision trees, for conj.: 3^n BUT worse
 more expressive h -space = target f better expressed, num of $h \nearrow$ expressions


• Decision Lists = cascaded if statements:


if conj. h_1 then O_1 (yes/no) elif conj. h_2 then $O_2 \dots$

\Rightarrow can express all boolean functions

k -decision list: each conj. max k literals \rightarrow PAC learnable

- = how many examples do we need to learn f ?
- PAC (Probably approximately correct) learnability
seriously wrong h will be identified with high prob. after small num of examples
 \Leftrightarrow a h with high num of examples is probably approx. correct
- \hookrightarrow Error rate $\text{error}(h)$: average error of $h \rightarrow h$ approx correct if $\text{error}(h) < \epsilon$
- \hookrightarrow Probability $P(\text{bad } h \text{ agrees with } N \text{ examples}) \leq (1 - \epsilon)^N$
 $\Leftrightarrow N \geq \frac{1}{\epsilon} (\ln \frac{1}{\epsilon} + \ln |H|)$ examples are sufficient (for k-DL: $|H| = O(n \cdot \log_2(n^k))$)
- model selection: choose h
 - Overfitting: h may consider irrelevant attributes (less likely with more examp) more likely with more attr.
 \Rightarrow remedy: decision tree pruning: split over relev. Attr. using info gain / statistic
 - k-fold-Cross-validation = Testing Training + Validation + Test Set
 use part of indep. & identically distributed data for test & training
 1. split examples E into k equal sized sets F_1, \dots, F_k
 2. do k rounds of learning: use F_i as validation set, $E \setminus F_i$ as training
 3. average scores
- \Rightarrow construct model h by varying params, using a learner & cross-validation
 keep validation error low: Overfitting starts when model capacity gets close to interpolation point (= almost goes through all test points)

 approximation

 interpolation \Rightarrow probably overfitting

LINEAR REGRESSION \rightarrow learning continuous valued functions

$h \approx f$ minimize loss error on examples $h_{a,b}(x) = a \cdot x + b$

square loss of h on (x_i, y) : $\text{Loss}(h; (x_i, y)) = (y - h(x_i))^2$

\rightarrow finding a & b easy, may be computed by gradient search

- univariate linear regression: 1 input, 1 output variable

$$h_w(x) = w_0 + w_1 \cdot x$$

$$\text{Loss}(h_{w_1}, (x_i, y)) = (y - h_w(x_i))^2 \quad \text{Loss}(h_w) = \sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - h_w(x_i))^2$$

\Rightarrow find optimal $w^* = \text{argmin}_w (\text{Loss}(h_w)) \rightarrow \partial \text{Loss} / \partial w_i = \Delta \text{Loss}(h_w) = 0$

\hookrightarrow solution: $w_0 = \dots$ Formel $w_1 = \dots$ Formel

\hookrightarrow instead of Formel

- Gradient descent: compute optimal values w^* incrementally
 = vary parameter w_i minimizing loss $\text{Loss}(w)$ quadr., $\frac{\partial \text{Loss}}{\partial w_i}$ linear
 update rules:

$w_0 \leftarrow w_0 + \alpha(y - h_w(x))$	$w_0 \leftarrow w_0 + \alpha \sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - h_w(x_i))$
$w_1 \leftarrow w_1 + \alpha(y - h_w(x)) \cdot x$	$w_1 \leftarrow w_1 + \alpha \sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - h_w(x_i)) \cdot x_i$
- \rightarrow as long as $\text{loss} \neq 0$ / not converged, update w

- Multi-variable linear regression:

$$f(x), x = x_0, \dots, x_n \quad x_0 = 1 \text{ fixed} \quad h_w(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n w_j \cdot x_j = w \cdot x$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{find optimal } w^* = \operatorname{argmin}_w (\text{Loss}(h_w)) = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y \quad X = (x_{i,j})$$

$$\text{update rule: } w_i \leftarrow w_i + \alpha \sum_j (y_j - h_w(x_j)) \cdot x_{j,i}$$

→ Issue: Overfitting due to multiple attributes → add regulation term $\lambda \cdot \text{complexity}$

- Linear classifiers

- hard threshold: use linear function / separators $h_w(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } w \cdot x \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$

→ does not work with gradient descent ($\partial \text{loss} / \partial w_i$ is always 0 or undet (at 0))
not differentiable

$$\hookrightarrow \text{use update rule: } w_i \leftarrow w_i + \alpha (y - h_w(x)) \cdot x_i$$

⇒ for any linear separable data set this rule converges to a consistent function = can learn any lin. sep. $f(x)$ from sufficient data

⇒ if not lin. sep.: converges for decaying α to min-err solution

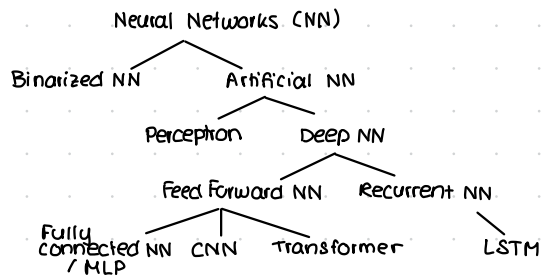
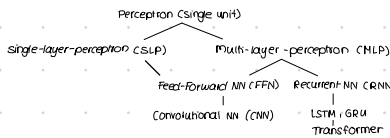
- logistic regression: softened threshold

$$\text{sigmoid function } g(x) = 1 / (1 + e^{-w \cdot x})$$

→ output $h_w(x)$ is probability for class membership

$$\text{update rule: } w_i \leftarrow w_i + \alpha (y - h_w(x)) \cdot h_w(x) \cdot (1 - h_w(x)) \cdot x_i$$

NEURAL NETWORKS



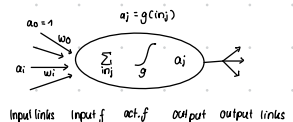
PERCEPTRONS

- Perceptron = 1 unit

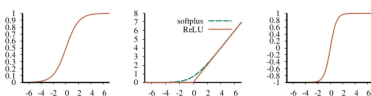
= linear sum of weighted inputs a_i : $\text{in}_j = \sum_i w_{ij} a_i$ a_0 fixed ($\hookrightarrow w_0$)

→ activation function decides whether perceptron is activated / value

⇒ 1 output $a_j = g(\text{in}_j)$



- Activation functions:



Sigmoid

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

ReLU

$$= \max(0, x)$$

tanh

Relu not fully differentiable

→ softplus = glatte Approx v. Relu → derivate is Sigmoid

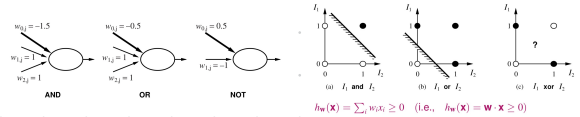
→ changing w_0 shifts the threshold function

→ evaluation discrete o. continuous

- Perceptron Learning: $h_w(x) = g(n)$ where $n = \sum_i w_i x_i = w \cdot x$
Learn $f(x)$ by adjusting w to reduce error on training set (regression)
Err = $y - h_w(x)$ square-loss $\text{loss}(w) = (y - h_w(x))^2 \rightarrow$ search for minimal loss with gradient descent
Perceptron learning rule (update rule):

$$w_i = w_i + \alpha \cdot \text{Err} \cdot g'(n) \cdot x_i \quad \alpha = \text{learning rate (step size)}$$

- Expressiveness of perceptrons:
 - Single perceptron/neuron complete basis of boolean functions (with hard threshold): if linear separable: AND, OR, NOT, not XOR
 - network: arbitrary functions

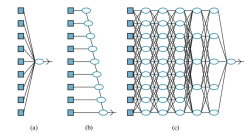


NEURAL NETWORKS (NNs)

- Definition: NN is a function $f(x)$ that maps $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ of u^{in} to $y = (y_1, \dots, y_m)$ of u^{out}
composed of units: input units u^{in} , output units u^{out} , processing (hidden) units
+ links/arcs from u_i to u_j with weight w_{ij}
 $f(x) = h_w(x)$ where $w = (w_{ij})$ is an $N \times N$ matrix

- Network structures

- perceptron (short paths)
- decision list (some long paths)
- deeper network (long paths)



- Feed-Forward Networks (FFN)

= uni-directional = directed acyclic graphs (DAG)

node in layer i is directly connected to nodes in layer $i+1$, $i-1$

\Rightarrow No internal state! = simple reflex agent implementation

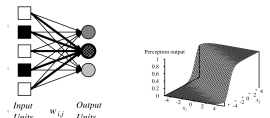
\Rightarrow Types: Single-layer-/multi-layer-perceptrons

- Single-layer-Perceptron (SLP): no hidden units, but multiple outputs

\rightarrow output units operate separately = no shared weights

\rightarrow adjusting weights moves location/orientation/steepness of cliff

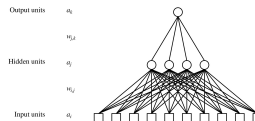
\rightarrow can view this as single perceptron: adjust w_{ij} to w_i



- Multi-Layer-Perceptron (MLP):

Layers usually fully connected

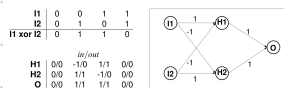
multiple outputs possible



- Expressiveness of MLPs:
 - 1 layer (SLP) = all linear separable functions
 - 2 layers = all continuous functions at arbitrary precision
→ requires exponentially many hidden units ≠ realistic

- XOR with MLP

hard threshold $g(x) = 1 \Leftrightarrow x \geq 1$



- Network learning = constructing weights for NNS

Network structure fixed → adjust weights to learn function

- SLP: use perceptron learning rule for each output
- MLP: weights affect multiple outputs → push error back & adjust weights
 1. Compute loss of whole network = sum up all gradient losses of outputs
 2. Push back error by dividing it on contributing weights

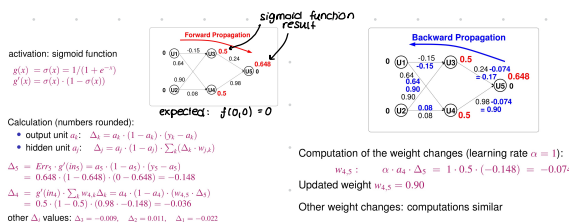
Learning rules:

Output Layer a_k : $w_{jk} \leftarrow w_{jk} + \alpha \cdot a_j \cdot \Delta_k$; $\Delta_k = \text{Err}_k \cdot g'(c_{in_k})$

hidden layer a_j : $w_{ij} \leftarrow w_{ij} + \alpha \cdot a_i \cdot \Delta_j$; $\Delta_j = g'(c_{in_j}) \cdot \sum_k w_{jk} \cdot \Delta_k$

node u_j is responsible for fraction of error Δ_k at output layer

Example:



- Applications: e.g. handwritten digit recognition: error nowadays 0.23%
- Aspects:
 - ⊕ good for complex pattern recognition / unstructured input
 - less need for determining relevant input factors
 - ⊖ choice of NN hard, needs good training material, results not easy to understand

- Training Issues & Solutions:

- Overfitting → improve Generalization:

- choosing right NN architecture: data: CNN → images, RNN → sequential data
- deeper networks better, adversarial examples → robuste Modelle, (kleine Änderung in Eingaben, die NN output verändern)

Anpassungen d. Parameter (Hyperparameter-Tuning)

NAS = Neural Architecture Search sucht gute NN-Strukturen

- weight decay = regularization: add penalty $\lambda \sum_i w_i^2$ to loss function
→ big values will be restricted (≠ Overfitting)
- dropout = at each training step randomly deactivate some neurons
→ NN not dependent on some neuron

- Slow convergence & local maxima: common to gradient descent
 - Stochastic gradient descent: uses minibatch = small set of examples from training set → faster → parallel computing possible
 - Batch normalization: rescale values at internal layers ^{per minibatch}
→ decrease learning rate & increase minibatch size over time
- ⇒ If loss surface is convex: will find global minimum guaranteed else no guaranty

- Exploding & Vanishing gradients → in deeper RNNs when using exp. act. f (softmax, sigmoid) & iterative recursive computations
 - Exploding: when weights $w > 1$ → using clipping possible
 - Vanishing: $w < 1$ → error signal extinguishes → NN degenerates
use: - batch normalization, non-exp. act.f., LSTM for RNN (s.b.), RNs

- Residual Networks (RNs) against vanishing gradients

= perturb, not replace previous' layer representation

Instead of $z_i = f(z_{i-1}) = g_i(w_i \cdot z_{i-1})$ use

$$z_i = g_i(z_{i-1} + f(z_{i-1})) \quad g_i = \text{act. f. of residual layer}$$

→ info is by default propagated → no need to learn all the time

- Computational graphs shows calculations

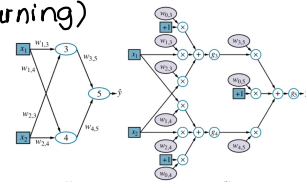
= NN seen as a data flow graph / computation graph w_i

= a circuit with multiplication \times , addition $+$ and activation gates g_i
at layer i : weights $w^{(i)}$, activation function $g^{(i)}$ as nodes

$$\text{eg. } h_w(x) = g^{(2)}(w^{(2)} g^{(1)}(w^{(1)} x))$$

→ computations forward (output) / backwards (weight learning)
using automatic differentiation

⇒ make calculations in NNS easy / efficient
~ basis for NN-Software



- Input layer : Input nodes = Input $x = x_1, \dots, x_n$
Types of data-input:
 - Factored data with attributes: boolean 1/0, integer numbers
 - Images: $x \times y$ RGB image: array-like internal structures (tensors); adjacency matters
 - Categorical data: value range $v_1, \dots, v_d \rightarrow$ One hot encoding: d input bits $\Rightarrow v_i: b^{(i)} = 0, 1, 0, 0, \dots$
pos. i
- Output layer : encoding of output similar to input
Loss function: - square loss
 - negative Likelihood: $w^* = \arg\min_w -\sum_{j=1}^N \log P_w(y_j | x_j)$
 \rightarrow log convenient: sum instead of product; minimizing = maximizing probability
 - cross entropy loss $H(P, Q)$ = dissimilarity between distributions P & Q
 $\rightarrow P :=$ true distribution P^* , $Q :=$ hypothesis $P_w(y|x)$ (y has to be interpretable as probability)
- Multi-class-classification: output is vector of numbers
 \rightarrow Softmax-layer turns these into probability distribution e.g. $(5, 0, 2) \rightarrow (0.97, 0.01, 0.29)$
Sigmoid = P für 2 Klassen e^x accentuates differences in output
- Regression output:
Linear output layer = no activation function, just interpret number as
gaussian prediction \rightarrow = minimizing squared error = linear regression
- Hidden Layer: computed values in layers = diff. representations of x
 \rightarrow complex transformation decomposed into simple learnable transformations
 \rightarrow intermediate representations might be meaningful e.g. edges \rightarrow faces
typically ReLU & Softplus (\neq vanishing gradients), earlier sigmoid, tanh
 \Rightarrow deeper & narrower NNs better than shallow & wide ones
- Gradient computation:
 - usual: $\partial \text{loss} / \partial w_{ij} = -2 a_i \Delta_j$ update $w_{ij} \leftarrow w_{ij} + \alpha \cdot a_i \cdot \Delta_j$
 - in practice: stochastic gradient descent using minibatches
compute derivatives $\partial \text{loss} / \partial h_k$ and backpropagate along nodes
 \rightarrow at node $h_k = w$ $\partial \text{loss} / \partial w$ is computed \hookrightarrow linear in n , but large memory requirement

DEEP LEARNING

- \rightarrow large data sets available crucial, efficient hardware (GPU, chips)
- Choosing NN Architecture: distinction not absolute! e.g. DeepL = CNN
 - CNNs \rightarrow Computer Vision: feature extractors along spatial grid
 - RNNs \rightarrow Natural language processing: update rules in streams of sequential data
 - Transformers \rightarrow everything

Convolutional NNS (CNNs) & Computer Vision (CV)

→ CV: image classification, recognition, formation, ...

- Encoding of images: vector of pixels too big, but

image data has spatial invariance → encode small regions e.g. 3×3 , 5×5

⇒ initial CNN-layer = spacial local connections (regions), not fully connected

⇒ each neuron has a receptive field of e.g. 3×3 , 5×5 , ...

Input image becomes „tensor“ = array of any dimension, e.g. vector, matrix, ...

→ keeps adjacency, allows to describe operations on local regions

→ tensor operations e.g. pooling, convolution, matrix multiplication

↳ described in computation graphs where each operation a node

→ hardware: GPUs, TPUs (tensor processing units) → parallel processing

- Kernel / Filter = pattern of weights replicated across local regions

→ in CNN: multiple (d) kernels e.g. 3×3 matrix

- Convolution $k * r$ = applying kernel k to region r

CNN architecture:

input layer → convolution layers / pooling layers

→ residual layer (to resolve vanishing gradients)

→ output: fully connected layer (with Softmax) to classify

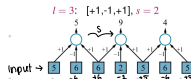
Convolution / Cross-correlation:

= applying kernels to pixels of the image $z = k \cdot x$ $z_i = \sum_{j=1}^L k_j \cdot x_{i+(L+1)/s}$

x = input vector k = vector kernel of size L s = stride (step size)

- 1 layer:

(10 input)



As matrix multipl.: $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 9 \\ 4 \\ 6 \\ 6 \\ 6 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 9 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$

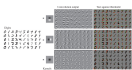
kernel in each row

- Multiple layers: increasing receptive field (input affecting) of neurons

→ For layer 1: kernel size L , layer $m > 1$: $m \cdot (L-1) + 1$ for $s=1$, else $\sim O(Lm^s)$

→ add padding so that hidden layers have same size as input

- Example:



kernel with 3 values: light (1), gray (1), dark (-1)

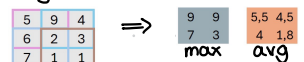
→ colored pixels below threshold: red, above threshold: green

Pooling layers = summarize adjacent units from preceding layer

→ reduce size of matrix to help avoid overfitting, no activation function g

- average pooling: coarsening / downsampling image by factor L if $L=s$

- max pooling: feature distinction e.g. $L=2$ $s=1$:



don't think we need this →

- Weird example: 256×256 RGB image, minibatch size 64

→ input is 4-dimensional tensor of size $256 \times 256 \times 3 \times 64$

Apply 96 kernels of size $5 \times 5 \times 3$ with stride $s=2$ in x-&y-direction:

→ output tensor = feature map of 96 channels: $128 \times 128 \times 96 \times 64$

- FFN can only handle fixed-length input sequences. What if there's more? ↩

- Recurrent NNS (RNNs) & Natural Language Processing (NLP)

RNNs = directed cycles / loops in networks: output of some state = input of other

→ 'Delay' of input (no instant self loop) \approx internal state = short term memory

update process for those 'hidden states': $z_t = f_w(z_{t-1}, x_t)$

- markov assumption: In hidden state z_t all info about previous states

- Training of RNNs: Input layer x , hidden layer z , output layer y

$$z_t = f_w(z_{t-1}, x_t) = g_z(w_{z,z} \cdot z_{t-1} + w_{x,z} \cdot x_t) \equiv g_z(\text{in}_{z,t})$$

⇒ calculated hypothesis output: $\hat{y}_t = g_y(w_{y,z} \cdot z_t) \equiv g_y(\text{in}_{y,t})^*$

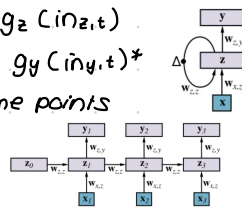
$w_{x,z}$, $w_{z,z}$, $w_{y,z}$ are weighted matrices shared across time points

⇒ this can be unrolled to Feed-Forward - NNS:

⇒ calculate gradients as before:

gradient recursive in time: $\partial z_t / \partial w_{z,z}$ from $\partial z_{t-1} / \partial w_{z,z}$ (backpropagate through time)

→ gradients at final time T might suffer from vanishing ($w_{z,z} < 1$) = short term memory
or exploding ($w_{z,z} > 1$) gradients



- Long Short-Term memory (LSTM) → Longer memory than RNN

- values stored in memory cells c

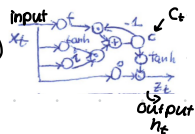
Per iteration: Input vector x_t , last hidden state h_{t-1} , last memory state c_{t-1}

- forget gate g : carry over or forget c_{t-1} (reset to zero)
- input gate i : update (add new info from vector to c_t)
- output gate o : transfer to new hidden state h_t

→ store context, handle time lags of unknown duration

→ well suited for NLP, time-series forecasting

→ more training effort than FFN, less parallelization



- Natural language processing (NLP)

→ Issue: context is sequential data \Rightarrow use RNNs

- Input representation of word sequences:

(one hot encoding: no semantic connections, n-grams: too big)

Word-embeddings: words/tokens represented by autom. learned vectors

\rightarrow similar words are mapped close in vector space \Rightarrow analogies

- using FFNs: e.g. for Part-of-Speech (POS)-Tagging:

= analyzing words = predict (tag (noun, verb, ...)) of word

only in a window size e.g. in context of prev. & next 2 words

1. words embedded in $v \times d$ matrix (v words, d latent variables)

\rightarrow each word a d -size vector

\hookrightarrow learned features of word

2. position of word important: embeddings multiplied by different parts of first hidden layer

3. Softmax output layer: tag-probabilities

4. Weights are learned by gradient descent

- Using RNNs: since context important; FFNs not sufficient

1. word s_i embedded as vector x_i

2. hidden layer z_t passed on as input to next step z_{t+1}

\rightarrow can use context info of a bounded number $z_{t'} , t' < t$ (still limited context)

3. output y_i is softmax distribution over possible next word s_i

Training RNNs for NLP: compute difference between observed output & actual data and backpropagate in time

- LSTM for longer-term input memory

- RNNs for text-generation:

1. give input x_t , produce output y_t = softmax probability for next word

2. Take 1 word from y_t as output for t and use it as x_{t+1}

3. Repeat step 2 choosing randomly from y_t to generate varying outputs

- Classification with RNNs: needs labelled data & look-ahead $t+1$ (not only look back $t-1$)

\rightarrow bidirectional RNNs: concatenate right-to-left & left-to-right model

\Rightarrow hidden z_t is a concatenation of vectors of both models

→ use e.g. for POS-tagging, document-classification (sentiment analysis)

⇒ since for every word a hidden state z_t (context) is generated, these need to be aggregated to 1 single output

- use last hidden state ← biased
- use average pooling of input z_t s before FF-layer

- Sequence-to-sequence-models: not sentence → tag/word but → sentence
Process whole sentence first:

1 RNN for source sentence S , 1 RNN for target sentence T

1. Run RNNs, make its final hidden state C (= context, relations, meaning) the first hidden state of RNN T

2. Run RNN T as text-generation RNN, feed output t as input for $t+1$

↳ choice of O_t learned e.g. via greedy / beam search

⇒ issue: nearby context bias, fixed context limit (dim. of z_t), slow (sequ. ≠ parall.)



= concatenation = increasing num. of weights

- Attention = using all hidden vectors from RNNs & per word s_i pay attention only to for s_i relevant parts

⇒ make a 'context-based summarization' of sentence S into vector c_t

feed c_t concatenated with RNNs output for x_t to RNN T

⇒ c_t has attention scores $a_{t,i}$ between target state t and i th word
output pos input pos

- Attention component:

- weights not directly 'learned' but calculated by function
- attention is entirely learned automatically (latent)

(including itself)

- Transformer: uses self-attention: each word attends to each other word
↳ asymmetric, can be calculated simultaneously

↳ naive realization as dot product biased to self-attention

⇒ Project input into 3 representations:

q_t = query vector: attended from (~target)

k_t = key vector: attended to (~source)

v_t = value vector: generated context (~ k)

Attention(Q, K, V) =

$$\text{softmax}\left(\frac{QK^T}{\sqrt{d_k}}\right)V$$

$\sqrt{d_k}$ improves numerical stability

d = dimension, usually 512
 $d_k = d_q = d_v$

1.

		w_i	w_k	w_v
Ich	0.9	0	0.2	0.1
bin	0.9	0.1	0.3	0.3
eine	0.2	0.3	0.6	2.2
Studentin	0.2	0.4	0.9	

Input learned weight-matrices
usually $w_k = w_v$, here $d=2$

	Q	K	V
Ich	0.53	0.71	1.35
bin	0.78	1.10	1.88
eine	1.43	1.43	2.17
Studentin	2.12	1.99	2.92

$$Q = x \cdot w_q$$

$$K = x \cdot w_k$$

$$V = x \cdot w_v$$

↳ softmax:

attention - percentages
↳ human-readable

	Ich	bin	eine	Studentin
Ich	0.15	0.21	0.25	0.39
bin	0.11	0.18	0.24	0.46
eine	0.08	0.13	0.20	0.60
Studentin	0.03	0.08	0.15	0.73

multiplied with V :

	Ich	bin	eine	Studentin
Ich	2.28	1.04		
bin	2.37	1.08		
eine	2.54	1.15		
Studentin	2.68	1.21		

contextualized
Attention(Q, K, V)

- Transformer-Architecture:

uses multi-head attention & positional encoding
based solely on attention mechanisms, no recurrence / convolution

- Transf. = Encoder + Decoder

GPT = Generative Pre-Trained Transf.

but there are E-only (BERT = understanding) & D-only (ChatGPT = generating) models

- Transformer layer: ~ 6+ layers in practice

1. Self-attention: for every word generate attention, using hidden layers

2. Simple Feed-Forward-Layer: for each word-vector separately (same weights, ReLU)

3. Residual connections: add inputs of each layer to output to avoid vanishing gradients

+ Position embedding: model learns position vector for each word

because self-att global \rightarrow give first-layer word emb + pos emb.

- Transformer for Translation: Enc. + Decoder (only left-to-right + 2nd module attending to encoder output)

- Transformer & Generative AI (GAI): wide range

- Large Language Models (LLMs): trillion params, passed turing test

- Vision Transformers (ViT) e.g. BERT: global view on images via patches

\rightarrow Limitations: data amount, comp. resources, biases, ...

• Unsupervised learning:

supervised = high test accuracy, but lots of labeled data needed

unsupervised = only unlabeled data

\rightarrow learn new representation (features) or generative model

e.g. a probability distribution $P_W(x, z)$ with latent variables z

\hookrightarrow change z to generate new samples

\hookrightarrow integrating z gives $P_W(x)$

some feature
in image
e.g. glasses

- Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs) \rightarrow implicit model

generates samples
but no readable
probabilities

1. generator maps values from x to z to produce samples

2. discriminator classifies whether real / generated

\rightarrow Application: improve robustness of NNs, deepfakes

- Reinforcement Learning (RL)

= learn outcomes = learn how to act

- Traditional: maximize reward (model-based: utility, model-free: policies, ...)

- Deep RL: DNNs as function approximators

- RLHF (RL from human feedback): Actor, Reward, Critic, reference, PPO-algorithm

- DL \oplus easy development,
capabilities
on unstructured data
parallelism

\ominus choice of param
data needed
implicit knowledge
difficult to predict

challenges: \nearrow logic
combine symbolic &
unsymbolic approaches
 \rightarrow AI

CONSTRAINT SATISFACTION PROBLEMS

→ states = black-box

Standard search problems: problem specific routines: succ.f., heuristic f., goal test

CSP: general purpose algorithms using standard structured / simple representation

→ take advantage of state structure

- a state = defined by variables with values from an associated domain

- goal test = set of constraints of allowable combinations of values for variables

≈ a simple formal representation language

CSP Definition:

- finite set V of variables, each with associated non-empty domain

- finite set C of constraints (or for $C(v_i)$ just values)

→ a constraint between variables v_i, v_j is a subset of tuples $D_i \times D_j$

→ limits the values a variable can take, unary, binary, ..., n-ary

- a state of a CSP is an assignment of values to some/all variables

⇒ An assignment that does not violate any constraints is consistent / legal

⇒ An assignment is complete iff it assigns every variable

⇒ A solution to a CSP is a complete and consistent assignment

- A constrained optimization problem also maximises an objective function

Example: map colouring as CSP:

There are many possible solutions, e.g.,
 $\{WA = red, NT = green, Q = red, NSW = green, V = red, SA = blue, T = green\}$



We can formulate this problem as the following CSP:

► Variables: $V = \{WA, NT, Q, NSW, V, SA, T\}$

► Domains: $D_i = \{red, green, blue\}, i \in V$

► Constraints: adjacent regions must have different colors

• e.g. the allowable combinations of WA and NT are

$C(WA, NT) = \{(red, green), (red, blue), (green, red), (green, blue), (blue, red), (blue, green)\}$

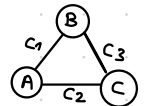
• or simply written as $WA \neq NT$ (if the language allows this).

Constraint graphs:

- For binary constraints: nodes = vars, edges = constraints

- For higher-order constraints: pair (x, E) x = set of nodes, E = hyperedges

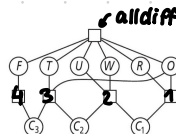
algorithms can use graph structure



Cryptarithmic puzzles = example of higher-order constraints

Example:

$$\begin{array}{r} T W O \\ + T W O \\ \hline F O U R \end{array}$$



► This is formulated as the following CSP:

• Variables: $F, T, U, W, R, O, C_1, C_2, C_3$

• Domains: $\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$

• Constraints:

- AllDiff(F, T, U, W, R, O);

- addition constraints:

1 $O + O = R + 10 \cdot C_1$,

2 $C_1 + W + W = U + 10 \cdot C_2$,

3 $C_2 + T + T = O + 10 \cdot C_3$,

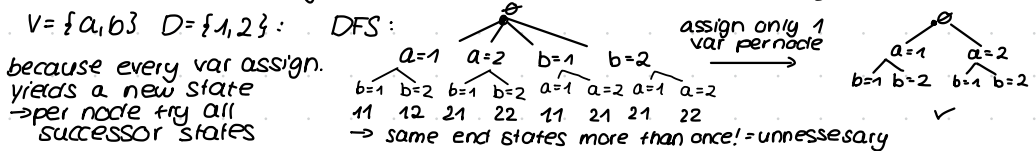
4 $C_3 = F$.

► A solution for this CSP is, e.g., $938 + 938 = 1876$.

- Types of CSP: what kind of domains & constraints
 - n discrete variables with finite domains size $d \rightarrow 0(d^n)$ possible assignments
 - Boolean CSP: e.g. 3SAT \rightarrow np-complete & exp!, but in practice often faster
 - discrete variables with infinite domains (e.g. \mathbb{Z})
 - \rightarrow need constraint language instead of just enumerating tuples
 - \Rightarrow there are solution alg. for linear constraints; non-linear constr. undecidable
 - continuous domains: real world problems \rightarrow linear c. solvable in polyn. time

- CSP as standard search problem: uses incremental formulation of CSP
 - Initial state: empty assignment \emptyset
 - States: values assigned so far
 - Successor function: assign unassigned var with non-conflicting value ^{= consistent}
 - goal-test: is assignment complete?

\Rightarrow since this is the same for all CSPs, standard search algorithms can be used
 \rightarrow need only consider 1 variable at a time, since var ass. is commutative
 e.g. Depth-First-Search generates $n!d^n$ leaves for d^n assignments



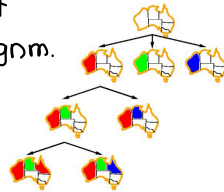
- Backtracking = DFS for CSP with single-variable assignment

\Rightarrow assign 1 var at a time & if path fails jump back to last assignment.

use general purpose algorithms to improve performance:

\rightarrow what var to assign next? which value? implications on other var?

- minimum-remaining-values-heuristic (MRV): (\neq first assignment.)
 choose variable with fewest legal values; if for some $x=0$ report failure
- Degree-heuristic: choose variable with largest num of constraints to unass. var
- Least-constraining-value-heuristic: for choosing value, not variable
 choose value that rules out fewest choices for neighbouring variables
- Forward-checking: mightier \rightarrow considers constraints before a var is chosen
 reduce search space: when x is assigned remove every inconsistent value from by constraint connected $y \rightarrow$ if D_y empty report failure (^{does not detect} all failures)
- Arc-consistency: even mightier \rightarrow uses constrain propagation:
 Arc $x \rightarrow y$ in constraint-graph is consistent iff for every value $x \in D_x$ there is some allowed value $y \in D_y$ of y . Else delete value. Same for $y \rightarrow x$



constraint propagation = Propagating implications of constraints between vars

- Further techniques:

- Intelligent backtracking: when failure jump back to set of vars that caused failure (conflict set), to most recent var in that set
- Local search algorithms very effective for CSP
- Structures of graph e.g. subgraphs can be taken into account

KNOWLEDGE REPRESENTATION

Knowledge and reasoning crucial for dealing with partially observable env

→ knowl. based agent can combine general knowledge with current percepts to infer hidden aspects of the current state prior to selecting actions

⇒ represent implicit knowl. in suitable datastr. / algorithms for computation

- Logic = formal structures & rules
- Ontology = defines kinds of objects
- Computer Science

Agents often combine: (now also subsymbolic ≈ neurosymbolic approaches)

- Declarative approaches: express knowledge explicit, separated from processing
→ flexibility, changes incorporated easily (modularity)
- Procedural approaches: knowl. manifested implicit in execution of operations
→ minimizing role of expl. rept., more efficient systems

- Knowledge based agents

- Components: - knowledge base = set of sentences in formal language
- methods to add new sentences & query: TELL & ASK

- Agent program:

```
function KB-AGENT(percept) returns an action
static: KB, a knowledge base
        t, a counter, initially 0, indicating time
  TELL(KB, MAKE-PERCEPT-SENTENCE(percept, t))
  action ← ASK(KB, MAKE-ACTION-QUERY(t))
  TELL(KB, MAKE-ACTION-SENTENCE(action, t))
  t ← t + 1
  return action
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1. TELL knowledge base what it perceives

2. ASK kb what action to perform

3. Record choice with TELL & perform action

→ details of inference mechanisms inside TELL & ASK

LOGIC = formal languages, represent info & draw conclusions

- Syntax define sentences, semantics meaning

- Entailment means one thing follows from another: $KB \models \alpha$ iff α true whenever KB true

KB : premiss, α : conclusion, KB s are sets of sentences = „theories“ $m \models m(KB)$
 $\models m(\alpha)$

Entailment: semantics → models, inference: syntax → derivations

- models: Interpretation I where $I(\alpha) = \text{true}$, $M(\alpha) = \text{set of all models of } \alpha$
- equivalence $\alpha \equiv \beta$ iff $\alpha \models \beta$ and $\beta \models \alpha$
- valid = sentence always true, satisfiable = at least 1 model, unsat = no model
 $\rightarrow \alpha$ is valid if $\neg \alpha$ is unsat, $KB \models \alpha$ if $KB \cup \{\neg \alpha\}$ is unsat
- inference (syntactical relation): $KB \vdash \alpha$ iff there exists a proof system
 = axioms + inference rules \rightarrow derivation from KB / of α over elements of KB
- soundness: $KB \vdash \alpha \Rightarrow KB \models \alpha$, completeness: $KB \models \alpha \Rightarrow KB \vdash \alpha$

- Propositional logic: connectives $\neg \vee \wedge \rightarrow \Leftrightarrow$
 \Rightarrow truth tables, logical equivalences

$(\alpha \wedge \beta) \equiv (\beta \wedge \alpha)$	commutativity of \wedge
$(\alpha \vee \beta) \equiv (\beta \vee \alpha)$	commutativity of \vee
$((\alpha \wedge \beta) \wedge \gamma) \equiv (\alpha \wedge (\beta \wedge \gamma))$	associativity of \wedge
$((\alpha \vee \beta) \vee \gamma) \equiv (\alpha \vee (\beta \vee \gamma))$	associativity of \vee
$\neg(\neg \alpha) \equiv \alpha$	double-negation elimination
$(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \equiv (\neg \beta \Rightarrow \neg \alpha)$	contraposition
$(\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \equiv (\neg \alpha \vee \beta)$	implication elimination
$(\alpha \Leftrightarrow \beta) \equiv ((\alpha \Rightarrow \beta) \wedge (\beta \Rightarrow \alpha))$	biconditional elimination
$\neg(\alpha \wedge \beta) \equiv (\neg \alpha \vee \neg \beta)$	De Morgan
$\neg(\alpha \vee \beta) \equiv (\neg \alpha \wedge \neg \beta)$	De Morgan
$(\alpha \wedge (\beta \vee \gamma)) \equiv ((\alpha \wedge \beta) \vee (\alpha \wedge \gamma))$	distributivity of \wedge over \vee
$(\alpha \vee (\beta \wedge \gamma)) \equiv ((\alpha \vee \beta) \wedge (\alpha \vee \gamma))$	distributivity of \vee over \wedge

- First order logic
 constants, predicates, functions, variables,
 connectives, equality, quantifiers \exists, \forall
 atomic sentences = $p(\dots)$ = truth value
 terms = function / constant / var = object
 \rightarrow Sentences are true w.r.t. a domain & an interpretation: $M = (D, I)$
 domain D^M = objects, Interpr: constants c^M , predicates $P^M = \{ \dots \}$, funct. $f^M = \{ \dots \}$
 - "all S are P": $\forall x (S(x) \Rightarrow P(x))$ "some S are P": $\exists x (S(x) \wedge P(x))$

- Theorem proving: without models

- Inference rules: $\frac{\alpha \Rightarrow \beta \quad \alpha}{\beta}$ $\frac{\alpha \wedge \beta}{\alpha}$ $\frac{\alpha \wedge \beta}{\beta}$ $\frac{\alpha \Rightarrow \beta \quad \neg \beta}{\neg \alpha}$ Demorgan ...

- monotonicity: $KB \vdash \alpha$ and $KB \subseteq KB'$ then $KB' \vdash \alpha$ (additional knowledge can't invalidate inferences)
- If $KB \cup \{\alpha\} \vdash \beta$ and $KB \cup \{\alpha\} \vdash \neg \beta$ then $KB \vdash \neg \alpha$
- Resolution: on formulas in CNF = conj. of clauses (disj. of literals)


$$\frac{\dots a \dots \quad \dots \neg a \dots}{\dots} \quad \frac{P \vee Q \quad \neg Q}{P} \quad \text{to show } KB \vdash \alpha$$

show $KB \cup \{\neg \alpha\}$ unsat

\rightarrow unsat if we derive empty clause \square

- Conversion to CNF: 1. Eliminate $a \Leftrightarrow b$ by $(a \Rightarrow b) \wedge (b \Rightarrow a)$
 2. Eliminate $a \Rightarrow b$ by $\neg a \vee b$
 3. move \neg inwards
 4. Distribute $\wedge \vee$ to CNF (Demorgans laws)

• Aspects of knowledge representation:

- Ontological engineering: how to represent facts about the world. \Rightarrow e.g. FOL
 \rightarrow create representations of actions / time / physical objects...
 - General concept: upper ontology: graphs with general concept on top
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- Organization of objects into categories = classifications
 \rightarrow via predicates „Ball(x)“ or functions: inheritance \rightarrow taxonomy hierarchy
 - categories disjoint if they have no members in common
 - exhaustive decomposition: all subcategories together constitute category
 - partition = disjoint exhaustive decomposition
 - Physical composition: objects part of other objects $\text{partOf}(x, y)$
composite objects define part but no particular structure $\text{bunchOf}(\dots)$
 - Substances & Objects: categories vs. individual objects
things = count nouns, stuff = mass noun
 \rightarrow intrinsic properties belong to substance = stay same under subdivision
extrinsic properties to objects (weight, length, ...)
 \Rightarrow physical objects belong to both categories = coextensive

PLANNING

= coming up with sequence of actions that achieve some goal

\Rightarrow reasoning about results of actions either via FOL: $t \rightarrow t+1$
or using states: state action result state

• Problems with states:

- frame problem: how to represent things that stay unchanged
- ramification problem: representation of implicit effects
- qualification problem: required preconditions ("qualifications")
ensuring that an action succeeds

• Search vs. planning:

Applying standard search algorithms for large real-world planning problems yield to enormous search spaces due to irrelevant actions

+ finding good heuristic function difficult

+ can't take advantage of problem decomposition (subproblems)

- Planning environments:

fully observable, deterministic, finite, static, discrete

→ expressive enough for good description, restrictive enough for efficient algor.

⇒ Standard Syntax: Planning Domain Definition Language = PDDL

⇒ Basis of most languages within PDDL: STRIPS

- STRIPS:

- States: Decompose world into logical conditions = conj. of pos. literals

→ instantiated state must be variable-free (ground) & function-free (finite domain)

e.g. $At(me, lake) \vee At(x, y) \wedge president(USA) \wedge$

→ closed world assumption: everything not mentioned is assumed false

- Goals: state with conjunction of positive literals (= partially specified)

- Actions: Precondition + effect; action schemata with variables = parameters

⇒ concrete action instantiates variables with constants

Action Schemata: 1. name & parameter list e.g. $Fly(p, from, to)$

2. precondition = conj. of function-free pos. literals ^{what must be true before}

3. effect = conj. of f-free pos. & neg literals ^{how state changes}

→ Semantics: action is applicable if state satisfies preconds, else no effect

result state s' : add pos. literals from effect, delete literals where effect $\neg p$

→ every literal not mentioned in effect stays unchanged ⇒ frame problem

- solution = action sequence when executed in initial state results

in a state that satisfies goal

bzw. \approx partially ordered sets (\neq sequence) that respect order (s.b.)

- Action description language: E.g. Action($Fly(p: plane, Airport: to) \dots$

STRIPS	ADL
Only positive literals in states: $Rich \wedge InJail$	Positive and negative literals in states: $\neg Poor \wedge \neg Free$
Closed-World Assumption: Unmentioned literals are false	Open-World Assumption Unmentioned literals are unknown
Effect $P \wedge \neg Q$ means add P and delete Q	Effect $P \wedge \neg Q$ means add P and $\neg Q$ and delete $\neg P$ and Q
Only ground atoms in goals: $Rich \wedge InJail$	Quantified variables in goals: $\exists x (At(P_1, x) \wedge At(P_2, x))$ is the goal of having P_1 and P_2 in the same place
Goals are conjunctions: $Rich \wedge Famous$	Goals allow conjunction and disjunction: $\neg Poor \wedge (Famous \vee Smart)$
Effects are conjunctions	Conditional effects are allowed: when $P: E$ means E is an effect only if P is satisfied
No support for equality	Equality is built in
No support for types	Variables can have types, as in $(p: Plane)$

has = and \neq
has typing

⇒ both: ramifications not naturally represented: implicit effects as explicit effects
no addressing of qualification problem (only finite prec, not every possibility)

• STRIPS example:

$Init(At(C_1, SFO) \wedge At(C_2, JFK) \wedge At(P_1, SFO) \wedge At(P_2, JFK) \wedge Cargo(C_1) \wedge$
 $Cargo(C_2) \wedge Plane(P_1) \wedge Plane(P_2) \wedge Airport(SFO) \wedge Airport(JFK))$
 $Goal(At(C_1, JFK) \wedge At(C_2, SFO))$
 $Action(Load(c, p, a))$
 $PRECOND: At(c, p) \wedge At(p, a) \wedge Cargo(c) \wedge Plane(p) \wedge Airport(a),$
 $EFFECT: \neg At(c, a) \wedge In(c, p)$
 $Action(Unload(c, p, a))$
 $PRECOND: In(c, p) \wedge At(p, a) \wedge Cargo(c) \wedge Plane(p) \wedge Airport(a),$
 $EFFECT: At(c, a) \wedge \neg In(c, p)$
 $Action(Fly(p, from, to))$
 $PRECOND: At(p, from) \wedge Plane(p) \wedge Airport(from) \wedge Airport(to),$
 $EFFECT: \neg At(p, from) \wedge At(p, to)$

► The following plan is a solution to the problem:

$[Load(C_1, P_1, SFO), Fly(P_1, SFO, JFK), Unload(C_1, P_1, JFK),$
 $Load(C_2, P_2, JFK), Fly(P_2, JFK, SFO), Unload(C_2, P_2, SFO)]$

Init	$At(C_1, SFO) \wedge At(C_2, JFK) \wedge At(P_1, SFO) \wedge At(P_2, JFK) \wedge Cargo(C_1) \wedge$ $Cargo(C_2) \wedge Plane(P_1) \wedge Plane(P_2) \wedge Airport(SFO) \wedge Airport(JFK)$
↓	$Action(Load(C_1, P_1, SFO))$ PRECOND: $At(C_1, SFO) \wedge At(P_1, SFO) \wedge Cargo(C_1) \wedge Plane(P_1) \wedge Airport(SFO)$, EFFECT: $\neg At(C_1, SFO) \wedge In(C_1, P_1)$
S ₁	$In(C_1, P_1) \wedge At(C_2, JFK) \wedge At(P_1, SFO) \wedge At(P_2, JFK) \wedge Cargo(C_1) \wedge$ $Cargo(C_2) \wedge Plane(P_1) \wedge Plane(P_2) \wedge Airport(SFO) \wedge Airport(JFK)$
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- Planning with state-space-search: how to find plans
 - forward sss: initial state \rightarrow goal = progression planning
 - backward sss: goal \rightarrow initial state = regression planning
- Progression planning: initial state \rightarrow consider action until reaching goal
 - initial state = initial state of problem
 - each state = set of pos. ground literals, literals not appearing = false
 - actions are applicable if precondition satisfied, successor: add pos, delete neg. literals
 - goal test checks whether state satisfies goal
 - \rightarrow step cost typically 1
 - \rightarrow absence of function symbols: state space finite
 - \rightarrow any complete search algorithm (e.g. A*-search) yields complete planning alg.
- Regression planning: consider only relevant actions that achieve conjunct of goal & don't undo desired literals = ,consistent' actions

Process: Given goal G let A be a relevant & consistent action

 - \rightarrow predecessor: Delete pos. effects that appear in A from G
 - Add precondition literals from A (unless already there)
 - \Rightarrow any standard search alg. can be used

Example: ► Consider the cargo problem with 20 pieces of cargo, having the goal:

$$At(C_1, B) \wedge At(C_2, B) \wedge \dots \wedge At(C_{20}, B).$$

► Seeking actions having, e.g., the first conjunct as effect, we find $Unload(C_1, p, B)$ as relevant.

- This action will work only if its preconditions are satisfied.
 \Rightarrow any predecessor state must include the preconditions $In(C_1, p) \wedge At(p, B)$.

- Moreover, the subgoal $At(C_1, B)$ should not be true in the predecessor state.
 \Rightarrow The predecessor state description is

$$In(C_1, p) \wedge At(p, B) \wedge At(C_2, B) \wedge \dots \wedge At(C_{20}, B).$$

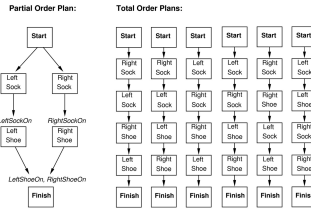
\Rightarrow Forward & Backward SSS are totally ordered plans
 = strict sequences of actions \rightarrow don't take adv. of pr. decomposition

- Partial-order-Planning (POP) → deal with sub problems indep.
= place actions into plan without (for all) specifying which one comes first

Example:

```
Init()
Goal(RightShoeOn ∧ LeftShoeOn)
Action(RightShoe, PRECOND: RightSockOn, EFFECT: RightShoeOn)
Action(RightSock, EFFECT: RightSockOn)
Action(LeftShoe, PRECOND: LeftSockOn, EFFECT: LeftShoeOn)
Action(LeftSock, EFFECT: LeftSockOn)
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→ Actions can be combined independently



⇒ implement search for plan in POP-space: as instance of a search probl.
start with empty plan, consider ways of refining plan until complete
→ the actions are actions on plans: adding a step, imposing order, ...

- POP-algorithm components:

- set of actions: elements for making up plan

→ empty plan: just start & finish actions

start = no preconds, effect = all initial literals

finish = no effects, precondition = all goal literals

- Ordering constraints: $A \prec B$ „A before B“ = pair of actions

→ not immediately, just at some point, no cycles

- causal links: $A \xrightarrow{p} B$ „A achieves p for B“

p is effect of A & precondition for B

→ plan may not add actions that conflict with causal link:

if effect is $\neg p$ and action can come after A, before B (ordering)

- Open preconditions: that are not satisfied yet

⇒ planners reduce set of open preconditions to empty set

⇒ a consistent plan has no cycles in ordering c. & no conflicts with c.l.

⇒ a solution is a consistent plan with no open preconditions

⇒ every linearisation of a Partial-order solution is a total order sol

⇒ „executing plan“ for POP = repeatedly choosing possible next actions

Example:

For instance, the final plan in the shoe-and-sock example has the following components (omitting the ordering constraints that put every other action after *Start* and before *Finish*):

Actions: {RightSock, RightShoe, LeftSock, LeftShoe, Start, Finish}

Orderings: {RightSock \prec RightShoe, LeftSock \prec LeftShoe}

Links: {RightSock $\xrightarrow{\text{RightSockOn}}$ RightShoe, LeftSock $\xrightarrow{\text{LeftSockOn}}$ LeftShoe,
RightShoe $\xrightarrow{\text{RightShoeOn}}$ Finish, LeftShoe $\xrightarrow{\text{LeftShoeOn}}$ Finish}

Open preconditions: {}

- POP-algorithm:
 - Initial plan: Start & Finish, Start \rightarrow Finish, no causal links
all preconds of Finish = Open preconditions
 - Successor function: pick one open precondition P on any action B
 \rightarrow generate succ for every consistent way of choosing action A that achieves P \rightarrow add $A \xrightarrow{P} B$ and $A \rightarrow B$ to plan
 (+ Start $\rightarrow A$ & $A \rightarrow$ Finish if action A is new)
 \rightarrow resolve conflicts between new action/causal links:
 if action C conflicts with $A \xrightarrow{P} B$ add $C \rightarrow A$ or $B \rightarrow C$
 & add succ states for both if they result in consistent plan
 - goal-test: whether plan is solution = no open preconditions
(planners only generate consistent plans, no need to check)
- Planning as satisfiability = translate planning problem into Prop. Formula \rightarrow models of F are plans of problem

DECISION THEORY

deals with choosing among actions based on desirability of their ^{undetermined,} outcomes

- Decision-theoretic agent:
 - combines utility-theory with probability-theory
 - \rightarrow makes rational decisions in context of uncertainty & conflicting goals
 - \rightarrow continuous measure of outcome quality \Leftrightarrow goal-based: binary (goal \Leftrightarrow non-goal)
 - \Rightarrow preferences = utility function $U(s)$ = numbers for desirability of state
 - environments assumed episodic: not depending on previous actions
 - nondeterministic, partially observable environments
 - Result(a) = possible outcome states for action a
 $P(\text{Result}(a) = s' \mid a, e)$ Probability of Outcome s' of a under observation e
- Expected utility (EU) of action a given evidence e =
 average utility of outcomes weighted by their probability

$$EU(a|e) = \sum_{s'} P(\text{Result}(a) = s' \mid a, e) \cdot U(s')$$
- Principle of maximum expected utility: agent will choose action = $\text{argmax}_{a \in A} EU(a|e)$

Preferences:

$A \succ B$: Agent prefers A over B

$A \sim B$: Agent is indifferent between A and B

$A \succeq B$: Agent prefers A over B or is indifferent

Lottery: Set of outcomes of an action can be seen as a lottery where the action is the ticket

→ Lottery $L = [p_1, s_1; p_2, s_2; \dots; p_n, s_n]$

possible outcomes s_i that occur with probability p_i

s_i is either an atomic state or another lottery

Axioms of utility theory: conditions for reasonable preference relations

⇒ if these are violated, agent would behave irrational (e.g. loop-example)

- **Orderability**: Agent must decide for 2 Lotteries A & B whether \succ, \sim, \succeq

- **Transitivity**: $(A \succ B) \wedge (B \succ C) \Rightarrow (A \succ C)$

- **Continuity**: If lottery B is between A & C in preference, with some probability p agent will be indifferent between B for sure and a lottery with p for A and $1-p$ for C: $A \succ B \succ C: \exists p: [p; A, 1-p; C] \sim B$

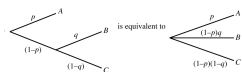
- **Substitutability**: If $A \sim B$ then agent is indifferent between 2 more complex lotteries that differ in $A \Leftrightarrow B$: $A \sim B \Rightarrow [p; A; 1-p; C] \sim [p; B; 1-p; C]$ same for \succeq

- **Monotonicity**: If $A \succ B$: agent prefers lottery with higher probability for A

$$A \succ B \Rightarrow [p; A; 1-p; B] \succ [q; A; 1-q; B]$$

- **Decomposability**: compound lotteries can be reduced to simpler ones:

$$[p; A; 1-p; [q; B; 1-q; C]] \sim [p; A; (1-p)q; B; (1-p)(1-q); C]$$



Existence of utility function:

From preferences that satisfy axioms: $u(A) > u(B) \Leftrightarrow A \succ B$ $u(A) = u(B) \Leftrightarrow A \sim B$

Expected utility of a lottery: sum of utilities * probabilities

$$u([p_1, s_1; \dots; p_n, s_n]) = \sum_i p_i \cdot u(s_i)$$

determined by experiments & observation

agent chooses same

Utility function $u(s)$: determined to linear transf: $u(s) \sim a \cdot u(s) + b$

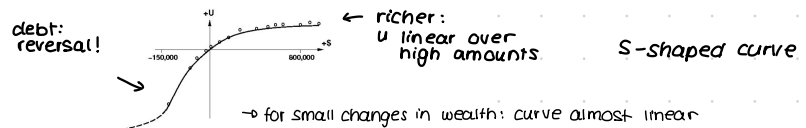
→ behaviour of agent unchanged by applying any monotonic tr. to $u(s)$

⇒ only ordinal function = ranking, actual values do not matter

e.g. 7

- Utility scales \Rightarrow for measurement: no absolute scales
 \rightarrow Fix utility of best prize $U(S_b) = u_T = 1$ and worst $U(S_w) = u_L = 0$
 e.g. '1 micromort' = one in a million chance of death
 QALY = 1 year of perfect health

- Utility of money
 - monotonic preference for more money if other things equal
 - different for lotteries involving money
 - Expected monetary value (EMV) = $\sum \text{prob.} * \text{mon. outcome}$
 - S_n = State of possessing n Dollars, expected utilities $U(S_n)$
 \rightarrow Expected utility $EU = \sum \text{prob.} + U(S_k)$
 \Rightarrow BUT $U(S_n)$ depends on current financial status:
 Utility of money proportional to logarithm of amount



- Risks:
 - $U(SEMV(L)) = \text{being handed } EMV(L) \text{ for } 100\% \text{ sure} > U(L)$
 - \rightarrow people are risk-averse: sure thing with payoff $>$ gamble with higher payoff
 - \rightarrow in large debt: risk seeking behaviour
 - \Rightarrow agent will accept the certainty equivalent of a lottery over that lottery:
 e.g. 400\$ for sure over 50% 1000\$ = 400 $>$ $EMV(500) \Rightarrow$ 100\$ insurance premium
 - \rightarrow if the agent has a linear curve it is 'risk-neutral'
- Human judgement & Irrationality: \rightarrow don't coincide
 Decision theory: how agents should act \leftrightarrow Description: how humans act
- Certainty - Effect (Allais paradox): people are attracted to gain that is certain
 e.g. $\underset{\text{certain}}{100\% \cdot 30\$} > 80\% \cdot 40\$, \text{ but not } 25\% \cdot 30\$ > 20\% \cdot 40\$$
 \rightarrow due to computational burden, mistrust in probabilities, emotions
- Ambiguity aversion (Ellsberg paradox): elect known probability rather than unknown

- Decision networks (Influence Diagrams) (extension of Bayesian networks)

→ info about agents current state, possible actions, results, utility

3 kind of nodes:

- Chance nodes (ovals): random variables with probabilities
- Decision nodes (rectangles): points with choices of actions
- Utility nodes (diamonds): utility function, parents influence outcome



- Evaluating decision networks:

1. Set evidence values for current state

2. For each possible action (= value of decision node):

calculate probabilities of chance nodes that influence utility

calculate utility for the action

3. Choose action with highest utility

- Decision analysis: decision maker states preferences between outcomes

decision analyst: enumerates actions+outcomes+prefs → best action

- Creating a decision network

1. create causal model

2. Simplify to qualitative model

3. Assign probabilities

4. Assign utilities

5. Verify system against gold-standard = correct input-output-pairs

6. Sensitivity analysis (how sensitive decision to changes in p & u)

- The value of Information → when not all info available

→ what info to acquire? ⇒ value of observation derives from potential to affect the agents physical action

→ difference of in expected value before & after information

- Example:

A simple example:

- ▶ An oil company plans to buy one of n indistinguishable blocks of ocean-drilling rights.
- ▶ One of the blocks contains oil worth C dollars, while all other are worthless.
- ▶ The price for each block is C/n Dollars.
- ▶ If the company is risk neutral, then it is indifferent between buying a block and not buying one.
- ▶ Now assume that the company can buy information (results of a survey) that says definitively whether block 3 contains oil or not.
- ▶ How much should the company be willing to pay for this information?

To answer this question, we examine what the company would do if it had the information:

- ▶ With probability $1/n$, the survey will indicate oil in block 3.
 - In this case, the company will buy block 3 for C/n dollars and make a profit of $C - C/n = (n-1)C/n$ dollars.
- ▶ With probability $(n-1)/n$, the survey will show that block 3 contains no oil, hence the company will buy a different one.
 - Now, the probability of finding oil in one of the other blocks changes from $1/n$ to $1/(n-1)$, so the expected profit is $C/(n-1) - \frac{C}{n-1} = 0$ Dollars.
- ▶ Then, the resulting expected profit, given the survey information is

$$\frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{(n-1)C}{n-1} + \frac{n-1}{n} \cdot 0 = \frac{C}{n}$$
- ▶ The company should be willing to pay up to C/n Dollars → the information is worth as much as the block itself!

- Value of perfect information (VPI): evidence e_j about variable E_j

best current action α : $EU(\alpha|e) = \max_{\alpha} \sum_{s'} P(\text{Result}(\alpha) = s' | \alpha, e) \cdot u(s')$

after info e_j : $EU(\alpha|e, e_j) = \max_{\alpha} \sum_{s'} P(\text{Result}(\alpha) = s' | \alpha, e, e_j) \cdot u(s')$

→ since E_j unknown calculate value of obtaining e_j : all possible e_{j_k} :

$$VPI_e(E_j) = \sum_k P(E_j = e_{j_k}) \cdot EU(\alpha_{e_{j_k}} | e, E_j = e_{j_k}) - EU(\alpha | e)$$

⇒ VPI is non-negative, non-additive, order-independent + $VPI(E_j, E_k) = VPI(E_k, E_j)$

PHILOSOPHICAL FOUNDATIONS OF AI

- weak AI hypothesis: machines only act as if they were thinking
- Turing Test: imitation game: machine & human → fool interrogator
 - GPT4. made 70% of people think it's human
- Objections to intelligence of machines:
 - Argument of Disability: „A machine can't do..." ← but some things better!
 - mathematical Objection: some math. questions unanswerable by formal systems
 - e.g. Gödel's incompleteness → self-reference ← only for finite models
 - human understanding goes beyond proof: consciousness ≠ computation
 - Argument of Informality: human behaviour too complex to be captured by set of rules (qualification problem)
 - + no biological body that perceives world (embodied cognition)
- Strong AI hypothesis: machines are thinking by simulating thinking
 - ⇒ Argument of consciousness: emotions, being aware of mental state
 - ↳ but we have no evidence over internal mental state of humans
- mind-Body-Problem:
 - dualist theory: mind & body 2 separate realms: physical ⇔ conscious.
 - monist theory (physicalism): mental states = physical states
 - functionalism: mental state = intermediate repr. betw. in- & output
 - 2 systems with isomorphic causal processes would have same mental state
 - biological naturalism: mental states = higher level features caused by low level processes in neurons = properties of neurons
- Ethics & risks: AI might take over world (when acting irrationally)
 - ⇒ watch 2001: A space odyssey