

Knowledge Representation Workshop 4

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Games in Prolog

This workshop will look at writing small game applications in Prolog.

1. Select a simple sorting algorithm (quick sort, bubble sort, heapsort etc), and implment the algorithm in both python and prolog.
 - (a) which implmentation was easier to write?
 - (b) which implmentation ios easier to explain, or prove correct?
2. In the lectures we considered a simple tic-tac-toe application (see below). How would you make the players smarter, so rather than playing legal moves, they look for winning moves and strategies.

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win(Board, Player) :- rowwin(Board, Player).
win(Board, Player) :- colwin(Board, Player).
win(Board, Player) :- diagwin(Board, Player).

rowwin(Board, Player) :- Board = [Player,Player,Player,_,_,_,_,_,_].
rowwin(Board, Player) :- Board = [_,_,_,Player,Player,Player,_,_,_].
rowwin(Board, Player) :- Board = [_,_,_,_,_,_,Player,Player,Player].

colwin(Board, Player) :- Board = [Player,_,_,Player,_,_,Player,_,_].
colwin(Board, Player) :- Board = [_,Player,_,_,Player,_,_,Player,_,_].
colwin(Board, Player) :- Board = [_,_,Player,_,_,Player,_,_,Player].

diagwin(Board, Player) :- Board = [Player,_,_,_,Player,_,_,_,Player].
diagwin(Board, Player) :- Board = [_,_,Player,_,Player,_,_,Player,_,_].

% Helping predicate for alternating play in a "self" game:

other(x,o).
other(o,x).

game(Board, Player) :- win(Board, Player), !, write([player, Player, wins]).
game(Board, Player) :-
    other(Player,Otherplayer),
    move(Board,Player,Newboard),
    !,
    display(Newboard),
    game(Newboard,Otherplayer).

move([b,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I], Player, [Player,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I]).
move([A,b,C,D,E,F,G,H,I], Player, [A,Player,C,D,E,F,G,H,I]).
move([A,B,b,D,E,F,G,H,I], Player, [A,B,Player,D,E,F,G,H,I]).
move([A,B,C,b,E,F,G,H,I], Player, [A,B,C,Player,E,F,G,H,I]).
move([A,B,C,D,b,F,G,H,I], Player, [A,B,C,D,Player,F,G,H,I]).
move([A,B,C,D,E,b,G,H,I], Player, [A,B,C,D,E,Player,G,H,I]).
move([A,B,C,D,E,F,b,H,I], Player, [A,B,C,D,E,F,Player,H,I]).
move([A,B,C,D,E,F,G,b,I], Player, [A,B,C,D,E,F,G,Player,I]).
move([A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,b], Player, [A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,Player]).

display([A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I]) :- write([A,B,C]),nl,write([D,E,F]),nl, write([G,H,I]),nl,nl.

selfgame :- game([b,b,b,b,b,b,b,b],x).
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