Assignment 1 & CLIPS

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- Modeling knowledge by using decision tree
 - Find a SIMPLE problem
 - (e.g. "I can't connect to Internet" or "choosing a mobile phone")
- Implementing the modeled knowledge (decision tree) in CLIPS
 - It is OK to reuse or modify an example CLIP code, but remember to cite the source code.

(e.g. "adapted from auto.clp" or " modified from example.clp")

• Decision tree

 decision node : a symptom needed to be diagnosed (root node, parent/child node)

– consequence node :
 a suggestion outcome
 (leaf node)



- Procedure building decision tree:
 - Decide the perspective from which the diagnosis should be conducted.
 - What is the fundamental symptom (root node) causing the problem from the decided perspective.
 - Define its constraints (e.g. yes/no) and analysis its all possible children nodes
 - Add children nodes of the fundamental symptom into decision tree.
 - - probable symptoms (decision nodes)
 - - conclusions (consequence nodes)
 - If any of children node is decision node, define its constraints and add its children nodes into decision tree.
 - Repeat step 5 until all leaf nodes are consequence nodes.

• Decision tree example



• Obtain CLIPS

Download CLIPS from

http://clipsrules.sourceforge.net/

- For Windows users,
 - download <u>"windows executables 624.zip"</u>
 - decompose the zip file, click "CLIPWin.exe"

• Three basic components

- Fact-list: the data on which inferences are derived
- Knowledge base: all the rules
- Inference engine: control overall execution of rules

- Facts
 - add facts to fact-list with assert (assert (Brian duck)), (assert (duck Brian)), (assert (a) (b) (c)), (assert (hunter-game duck Brian))
 - see facts in fact-list with facts
 - (facts 1), (facts 0 1)
 - retract facts from fact-list with retract

(retract 2), (retract *)

- Types of atoms
 - Symbols: duck, duck1, d!#^
 - String: "duck soup is good!!!"
 - Integer: (assert (number 1))
 - Float: (assert (distance 3.5e5))

(assert (The duck says "Quack.")) (assert (The-duck-says "Quack."))

• Define rules (knowledge)

e.g

(defrule duck "Here comes the quack"	; Rule header
(animal-is duck)	; Pattern
=>	; THEN arrow
(assert (sound-is quack)))	; Action

- Variables
 - general format: ?<variable-name>
 - Explicit binding

(bind ?percent-chance (random 1 100))

• Implicit binding

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(defrule make-quack
  (duck-sound ?sound)
=>
  (assert (sound-is ?sound)))
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CLIPS> (clear)
CLIPS> (defrule whodunit
   (duckshoot ?hunter ?who)
=>
   (printout t ?hunter " shot " ?who crlf))
CLIPS> (reset)
CLIPS> (assert (duckshoot Brian duck))
<Fact-1>
CLIPS> (run)
Brian shot duck ; Duck dinner tonight!
CLIPS> (assert (duckshoot duck Brian))
<Fact-2>
CLIPS> (run)
duck shot Brian ; Brian dinner tonight!
CLIPS> (assert (duckshoot duck)) ; Missing third field
<Fact-3>
CLIPS> (run)
CLIPS>
                    ; Rule doesn't fire, no output
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