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# **mlpy Documentation**

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# CHAPTER 1

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MLPy

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A Machine Learning library for Python

- Free software: MIT license
- Documentation: <https://mlpy.readthedocs.org>.

## Features

- TODO



# CHAPTER 2

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## Installation

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At the command line:

```
$ easy_install mlp
```

Or, if you have virtualenvwrapper installed:

```
$ mkvirtualenv mlp
$ pip install mlp
```



# CHAPTER 3

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## Usage

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To use MLPy in a project:

```
import mlpy
```



# CHAPTER 4

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## Contributing

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Contributions are welcome, and they are greatly appreciated! Every little bit helps, and credit will always be given. You can contribute in many ways:

### Types of Contributions

#### Report Bugs

Report bugs at <https://github.com/evenmarbles/mlpy/issues>.

If you are reporting a bug, please include:

- Your operating system name and version.
- Any details about your local setup that might be helpful in troubleshooting.
- Detailed steps to reproduce the bug.

#### Fix Bugs

Look through the GitHub issues for bugs. Anything tagged with “bug” is open to whoever wants to implement it.

#### Implement Features

Look through the GitHub issues for features. Anything tagged with “feature” is open to whoever wants to implement it.

## Write Documentation

MLPy could always use more documentation, whether as part of the official MLPy docs, in docstrings, or even on the web in blog posts, articles, and such.

## Submit Feedback

The best way to send feedback is to file an issue at <https://github.com/evenmarbles/mlpy/issues>.

If you are proposing a feature:

- Explain in detail how it would work.
- Keep the scope as narrow as possible, to make it easier to implement.
- Remember that this is a volunteer-driven project, and that contributions are welcome :)

## Get Started!

Ready to contribute? Here's how to set up *mlpy* for local development.

1. Fork the *mlpy* repo on GitHub.

2. Clone your fork locally:

```
$ git clone git@github.com:your_name_here/mlpy.git
```

3. Install your local copy into a virtualenv. Assuming you have `virtualenvwrapper` installed, this is how you set up your fork for local development:

```
$ mkvirtualenv mlpy
$ cd mlpy/
$ python setup.py develop
```

4. Create a branch for local development:

```
$ git checkout -b name-of-your-bugfix-or-feature
```

Now you can make your changes locally.

5. When you're done making changes, check that your changes pass flake8 and the tests, including testing other Python versions with tox:

```
$ flake8 mlpy tests
$ python setup.py test
$ tox
```

To get flake8 and tox, just pip install them into your virtualenv.

6. Commit your changes and push your branch to GitHub:

```
$ git add .
$ git commit -m "Your detailed description of your changes."
$ git push origin name-of-your-bugfix-or-feature
```

7. Submit a pull request through the GitHub website.

## Pull Request Guidelines

Before you submit a pull request, check that it meets these guidelines:

1. The pull request should include tests.
2. If the pull request adds functionality, the docs should be updated. Put your new functionality into a function with a docstring, and add the feature to the list in README.rst.
3. The pull request should work for Python 2.6, 2.7, 3.3, and 3.4, and for PyPy. Check [https://travis-ci.org/evenmarbles/mlpy/pull\\_requests](https://travis-ci.org/evenmarbles/mlpy/pull_requests) and make sure that the tests pass for all supported Python versions.

## Tips

To run a subset of tests:

```
$ python -m unittest tests.test_mlpy
```



# CHAPTER 5

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## Credits

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### Development Lead

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### Contributors

None yet. Why not be the first?



# CHAPTER 6

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History

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## CHAPTER 7

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0.1.0 (2015-08-11)

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- First release on PyPI.



# CHAPTER 8

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## Agent design (`mlpy.agents`)

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This module contains functionality for designing agents navigating inside an `Environment`.

Control of the agents is specified by an agent module which is handled by the `Agent` base class.

An agent class deriving from `Agent` can also make use of a finite state machine (FSM) to control the agent's behavior and a world model to maintain a notion of the current state of the world.

## Agents

<code>Agent</code>	The agent base class.
<code>AgentModuleFactory</code>	The agent module factory.
<code>IAGENTModule</code>	Agent module base interface class.
<code>LearningModule</code>	Learning agent module.
<code>FollowPolicyModule</code>	The follow policy agent module.
<code>UserModule</code>	The user agent module.

### `mlpy.agents.Agent`

```
class mlpy.agents.Agent (mid=None, module_type=None, task=None, *args, **kwargs)  
Bases: mlpy.modules.Module
```

The agent base class.

Agents act in an environment (`Environment`) usually performing a task (`Task`). Depending on the agent module they either follow a policy (`FollowPolicyModule`), are user controlled via the keyboard or a PS2 controller (`UserModule`), or learn according to a learner (`LearningModule`). New agent modules can be created by inheriting from the `IAGENTModule` class.

**Parameters** `mid` : str, optional

The agent's unique identifier.

**module\_type** : str

The agent module type, which is the name of the class.

**task**: Task

The task the agent must complete.

**args**: tuple

Positional parameters passed to the agent module.

**kwargs**: dict

Non-positional parameters passed to the agent module.

## Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.agents import Agent
>>> Agent(module_type='learningmodule', learner_type='qlearner', max_steps=10)
>>> Agent(None, 'learningmodule', None, 'qlearner', max_steps=10)
```

This creates an agent with a *LearningModule* agent module that performs qlearning. The parameters are given in the order in which the objects are created. Internally the agent creates the learning agent module and the learning agent module creates the qlearner.

Alternatively, non-positional arguments can be used:

```
>>> Agent(module_type='learningmodule', learner_type='qlearner', max_steps=10)
```

```
>>> from mlpy.experiments.task import Task
>>> task = Task()
>>> Agent(None, 'learningmodule', task, 'qlearner', max_steps=10)
```

This creates an agent that performs the given task. If a task is given, the method *Task.get\_reward* is passed as the reward callback to the learning module to retrieve the reward. By default *Task.get\_reward* returns *None*.

## Attributes

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<i>mid</i>	The module's unique identifier.
<i>module</i>	The agent module controlling the actions of the agent.
<i>task</i>	The task the agent is to perform.

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### mlpy.agents.Agent.mid

**Agent.mid**

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

**mlpy.agents.Agent.module****Agent.module**

The agent module controlling the actions of the agent.

**Returns** IAgentModule :

The agent module instance.

**mlpy.agents.Agent.task****Agent.task**

The task the agent is to perform.

**Returns** Task :

The task to perform.

**Methods**

<code>enter(t)</code>	Enter the agent and the agent module.
<code>exit()</code>	Exit the agent and the agent module.
<code>is_task_complete()</code>	Check if the agent's task is completed.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset the agent's state.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>update(dt)</code>	Update the agent and the agent module.

**mlpy.agents.Agent.enter****Agent.enter (t)**

Enter the agent and the agent module.

Perform initialization tasks here.

**Parameters** t : float

The current time (sec).

**mlpy.agents.Agent.exit****Agent.exit ()**

Exit the agent and the agent module.

Perform cleanup tasks here.

**mlpy.agents.Agent.is\_task\_complete****Agent.is\_task\_complete ()**

Check if the agent's task is completed.

This could be because a terminal state was reached.

**Returns** bool :

The value of the termination flag.

### **mipy.agents.Agent.load**

`Agent .load (filename)`

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to load from.

### **Notes**

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

### **mipy.agents.Agent.reset**

`Agent .reset (t, **kwargs)`

Reset the agent's state.

**Parameters** `t` : float

The current time (sec).

`kwargs` : dict, optional

Non-positional parameters.

### **mipy.agents.Agent.save**

`Agent .save (filename)`

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to save to.

### **mipy.agents.Agent.update**

`Agent .update (dt)`

Update the agent and the agent module.

The agent and the agent module are updated at every time step in the program loop.

**Parameters** `dt` : float

The elapsed time (sec)

## **mipy.agents.modules.AgentModuleFactory**

**class mipy.agents.modules.AgentModuleFactory**  
Bases: `object`

The agent module factory.

An instance of an agent module can be created by passing the agent module type. The module type is the name of the module. The set of agent modules can be extended by inheriting from `IAGENTModule`. However, for the agent module to be registered, the custom module must be imported by the time the agent module factory is called.

## Notes

The agent module factory is being called by the `Agent` during initialization to create the agents controller.

## Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.agents.modules import AgentModuleFactory
>>> AgentModuleFactory.create('learningmodule', 'qlearner', max_steps=10)
```

This creates a `LearningModule` instance performing q-learning with max\_steps set to 10.

```
>>> def get_reward(state, action):
...     return 1.0
...
>>> AgentModuleFactory().create('learningmodule', 'qlearner', get_reward,
...                               max_steps=10)
```

This creates a q-learning learning module instance passing a reward callback function and sets max\_steps to 10.

```
>>> from mlpy.mdp.discrete import DiscreteModel
>>> from mlpy.planners.discrete import ValueIteration
>>>
>>> planner = ValueIteration(DiscreteModel(['out', 'in', 'kick']))
>>>
>>> AgentModuleFactory().create('learningmodule', 'rldtlearner', None, planner,
...                               max_steps=10)
```

This creates a learning module using the `RLDTLearner`. The parameters for the learner are appended to the end of the argument list. Notice that since positional arguments are used to pass the planner, the reward callback must be accounted for by setting it to `None`.

Alternatively non-positional arguments can be used:

```
>>> AgentModuleFactory().create('learningmodule', 'rldtlearner', planner=planner,
...                               max_steps=10)
```

## Methods

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<code>create(_type, *args, **kwargs)</code>	Create an agent module of the given type.
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### `mlpy.agents.modules.AgentModuleFactory.create`

**static** `AgentModuleFactory.create(_type, *args, **kwargs)`  
Create an agent module of the given type.

**Parameters** `_type` : str

The agent module type. Valid agent module types:

**followpolicymodule** The agent follows a given policy: a *FollowPolicyModule* is created.

**learningmodule** The agent learns according to a specified learner: a *LearningModule* is created.

**usermodule** The agent is user controlled via keyboard or PS2 controller: a *UserModule* is created.

**args** : tuple, optional

Positional arguments passed to the class of the given type for initialization.

**kwargs** : dict, optional

Non-positional arguments passed to the class of the given type for initialization.

**Returns** IAgentModule :

Agent model instance of given type.

## mlpy.agents.modules.IAgentModule

**class** mlpy.agents.modules.IAgentModule  
Bases: *mlpy.modules.Module*

Agent module base interface class.

The agent (*Agent*) uses an agent module, which specifies how the agent is controlled. Valid agent module types are:

**followpolicymodule** The agent follows a given policy (*FollowPolicyModule*)

**learningmodule** The agent learns according to a specified learner (*LearningModule*).

**usermodule** The agent is user controlled via keyboard or PS2 controller (*UserModule*).

### Notes

Every class inheriting from IAgentModule must implement *get\_next\_action*.

### Attributes

<i>mid</i>	The module's unique identifier.
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## mlpy.agents.modules.IAgentModule.mid

IAGENTMODULE.**mid**

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

## Methods

<code>enter(t)</code>	Enter the module and perform initialization tasks.
<code>execute(state)</code>	Execute the agent module.
<code>exit()</code>	Exit the module and perform cleanup tasks.
<code>get_next_action()</code>	Return the next action the agent will execute.
<code>is_complete()</code>	Check if the agent module has completed.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset the agent module.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>terminate(value)</code>	Set the termination flag.
<code>update(dt)</code>	Update the module at every delta time step dt.

### `mlpy.agents.modules.IAgentModule.enter`

`IAgentModule.enter(t)`  
Enter the module and perform initialization tasks.

**Parameters** `t` : float

The current time (sec)

### `mlpy.agents.modules.IAgentModule.execute`

`IAgentModule.execute(state)`  
Execute the agent module. This method can optionally be overwritten.

**Parameters** `state` : State

The current state

### `mlpy.agents.modules.IAgentModule.exit`

`IAgentModule.exit()`  
Exit the module and perform cleanup tasks.

### `mlpy.agents.modules.IAgentModule.get_next_action`

`IAgentModule.get_next_action()`  
Return the next action the agent will execute.

**Returns** Action :

The next action

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

If the child class does not implement this function.

## Notes

This is an abstract method and *must* be implemented by its deriving class.

### **mipy.agents.modules.IAgentModule.is\_complete**

`IAgentModule.is_complete()`

Check if the agent module has completed.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the agent module has completed or not.

### **mipy.agents.modules.IAgentModule.load**

`IAgentModule.load(filename)`

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** filename : str

The name of the file to load from.

### **Notes**

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

### **mipy.agents.modules.IAgentModule.reset**

`IAgentModule.reset(t, **kwargs)`

Reset the agent module.

**Parameters** t : float

The current time (sec)

**kwargs** : dict, optional

Non-positional parameters, optional.

### **mipy.agents.modules.IAgentModule.save**

`IAgentModule.save(filename)`

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** filename : str

The name of the file to save to.

### **mipy.agents.modules.IAgentModule.terminate**

`IAgentModule.terminate(value)`

Set the termination flag.

**Parameters** value : bool

The value of the termination flag.

**mlpy.agents.modules.IAgentModule.update**

`IAgentModule.update(dt)`  
Update the module at every delta time step dt.

**Parameters** `dt` : float

The elapsed time (sec)

**mlpy.agents.modules.LearningModule**

```
class mlpy.agents.modules.LearningModule(learner_type,      cb_get_reward=None,      *args,
                                         **kwargs)
```

Bases: `mlpy.agents.modules.IAgentModule`

Learning agent module.

The learning agent module allows the agent to learn from passed experiences.

**Parameters** `learner_type` : str

The learning type. Based on the type the appropriate learner module is created. Valid learning types are:

**qlearner** The learner performs q-learning, a reinforcement learning variant (`QLearner`).

**rldtlearner** The learner performs reinforcement learning with decision trees (RLDT), a method introduced by Hester, Quinlan, and Stone which builds a generalized model for the transitions and rewards of the environment (`RLDTLearner`).

**apprenticeshiplearner** The learner performs apprenticeship learning via inverse reinforcement learning, a method introduced by Abbeel and Ng which strives to imitate the demonstrations given by an expert (`ApprenticeshipLearner`).

**incrapprenticeshiplearner** The learner incrementally performs apprenticeship learning via inverse reinforcement learning. Inverse reinforcement learning assumes knowledge of the underlying model. However, this is not always feasible. The incremental apprenticeship learner updates its model after every iteration by executing the current policy (`IncrApprenticeshipLearner`).

**cb\_get\_reward** : callable, optional

A callback function to retrieve the reward based on the current state and action. Default is `None`.

The function must be of the following format:

```
>>> def callback(state, action):
>>>     pass
```

**learner\_params** : dict, optional

Parameters passed to the learner for initialization. See the appropriate learner type for more information. Default is `None`.

**Attributes**

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<code>mid</code>	The module's unique identifier.
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## **mipy.agents.modules.LearningModule.mid**

`LearningModule.mid`

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

## Methods

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<code>enter(t)</code>	Enter the module and perform initialization tasks.
<code>execute(state)</code>	Execute the learner.
<code>exit()</code>	Exit the module and perform cleanup tasks.
<code>get_next_action()</code>	Return the next action.
<code>is_complete()</code>	Check if the agent module has completed.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset the module for the next iteration.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>terminate(value)</code>	Set the termination flag.
<code>update(dt)</code>	Update the module at every delta time step dt.

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## **mipy.agents.modules.LearningModule.enter**

`LearningModule.enter(t)`

Enter the module and perform initialization tasks.

**Parameters** `t` : float

The current time (sec)

## **mipy.agents.modules.LearningModule.execute**

`LearningModule.execute(state)`

Execute the learner.

Update models with the current experience (*Experience*). Additionally, online learning is performed at this point.

**Parameters** `state` : State

The current state.

## **mipy.agents.modules.LearningModule.exit**

`LearningModule.exit()`

Exit the module and perform cleanup tasks.

## mlpy.agents.modules.LearningModule.get\_next\_action

LearningModule.**get\_next\_action()**  
Return the next action.

The next action the agent will execute is selected based on the current state and the policy that has been derived by the learner so far.

**Returns** Action :

The next action

## mlpy.agents.modules.LearningModule.is\_complete

LearningModule.**is\_complete()**  
Check if the agent module has completed.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the agent module has completed or not.

## mlpy.agents.modules.LearningModule.load

LearningModule.**load(filename)**  
Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** filename : str

The name of the file to load from.

### Notes

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

## mlpy.agents.modules.LearningModule.reset

LearningModule.**reset(t, \*\*kwargs)**  
Reset the module for the next iteration.

Offline learning is performed at the end of the iteration.

**Parameters** t : float

The current time (sec).

**kwargs** : dict, optional

Non-positional parameters.

## mlpy.agents.modules.LearningModule.save

LearningModule.**save(filename)**  
Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** filename : str

The name of the file to save to.

### mlpy.agents.modules.LearningModule.terminate

LearningModule.**terminate** (*value*)

Set the termination flag.

**Parameters** *value* : bool

The value of the termination flag.

### mlpy.agents.modules.LearningModule.update

LearningModule.**update** (*dt*)

Update the module at every delta time step *dt*.

**Parameters** *dt* : float

The elapsed time (sec)

## mlpy.agents.modules.FollowPolicyModule

**class** mlpy.agents.modules.FollowPolicyModule (*policies*, *niter=None*, *start=None*)

Bases: *mlpy.agents.modules.IAgentModule*

The follow policy agent module.

The follow policy agent module follows a given policy choosing the next action based on that policy.

**Parameters** *policies* : array\_like, shape (*n*, *nfeatures*, *ni*)

A list of policies (i.e., action sequences), where *n* is the number of policies, *nfeatures* is the number of action features, and *ni* is the sequence length.

*niter* : int, optional

The number of times each policy is repeated. Default is 1.

*start* : int, optional

The first policy to execute. Default is 0.

### Attributes

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*mid*

The module's unique identifier.

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### mlpy.agents.modules.FollowPolicyModule.mid

FollowPolicyModule.**mid**

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

### Methods

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<code>change_policies(policies)</code>	Exchange the list of policies.
<code>enter(t)</code>	Enter the module and perform initialization tasks.
<code>execute(state)</code>	Execute the agent module.
<code>exit()</code>	Exit the module and perform cleanup tasks.
<code>get_next_action()</code>	Return the next action.
<code>is_complete()</code>	Check if the agent module has completed.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset the module for the next iteration.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>terminate(value)</code>	Set the termination flag.
<code>update(dt)</code>	Update the module at every delta time step dt.

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**mlpy.agents.modules.FollowPolicyModule.change\_policies**`FollowPolicyModule.change_policies (policies)`

Enter the list of policies.

**Parameters** `policies` : array\_like, shape (*n*, *nfeatures*, *ni*)A list of policies (i.e., action sequences), where *n* is the number of policies, *nfeatures* is the number of action features, and *ni* is the sequence length.**Raises** `IndexError`

If the list is empty.

**mlpy.agents.modules.FollowPolicyModule.enter**`FollowPolicyModule.enter (t)`

Enter the module and perform initialization tasks.

**Parameters** `t` : float

The current time (sec)

**mlpy.agents.modules.FollowPolicyModule.execute**`FollowPolicyModule.execute (state)`

Execute the agent module. This method can optionally be overwritten.

**Parameters** `state` : State

The current state

**mlpy.agents.modules.FollowPolicyModule.exit**`FollowPolicyModule.exit ()`

Exit the module and perform cleanup tasks.

### **mipy.agents.modules.FollowPolicyModule.get\_next\_action**

`FollowPolicyModule.get_next_action()`

Return the next action.

The next action the agent will execute is selected based on the current state and the policy that has been derived by the learner so far.

**Returns** Action :

The next action

### **mipy.agents.modules.FollowPolicyModule.is\_complete**

`FollowPolicyModule.is_complete()`

Check if the agent module has completed.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the agent module has completed or not.

### **mipy.agents.modules.FollowPolicyModule.load**

`FollowPolicyModule.load(filename)`

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** filename : str

The name of the file to load from.

### **Notes**

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

### **mipy.agents.modules.FollowPolicyModule.reset**

`FollowPolicyModule.reset(t, **kwargs)`

Reset the module for the next iteration.

Offline learning is performed at the end of the iteration.

**Parameters** t : float

The current time (sec).

**kwargs** : dict, optional

Non-positional parameters.

### **mipy.agents.modules.FollowPolicyModule.save**

`FollowPolicyModule.save(filename)`

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** filename : str

The name of the file to save to.

**mlpy.agents.modules.FollowPolicyModule.terminate**

`FollowPolicyModule.terminate (value)`  
Set the termination flag.

**Parameters** `value` : bool

The value of the termination flag.

**mlpy.agents.modules.FollowPolicyModule.update**

`FollowPolicyModule.update (dt)`  
Update the module at every delta time step dt.

**Parameters** `dt` : float

The elapsed time (sec)

**mlpy.agents.modules.UserModule**

`class mlpy.agents.modules.UserModule (events_map, niter=None)`  
Bases: `mlpy.agents.modules.IAgentModule`

The user agent module.

With the user agent module the agent is controlled by the user via the keyboard or a PS2 controller. The mapping of keyboard/joystick keys to events is given through a configuration file.

**Parameters** `events_map` : ConfigMgr

The configuration mapping keyboard/joystick keys to events that are translated into actions.

**Example**

```
{
    "keyboard": {
        "down": {
            "pygame.K_ESCAPE": "QUIT",
            "pygame.K_SPACE": [-1.0],
            "pygame.K_LEFT": [-0.004],
            "pygame.K_RIGHT": [0.004]
        }
    }
}
```

**niter** : int

The number of episodes to capture..

**Notes**

This agent module is requires the `PyGame` library.

**Attributes**

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<code>mid</code>	The module's unique identifier.
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## **mipy.agents.modules.UserModule.mid**

`UserModule.mid`

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

## Methods

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<code>enter(t)</code>	Enter the module and perform initialization tasks.
<code>execute(state)</code>	Execute the agent module.
<code>exit()</code>	Exit the agent module.
<code>get_next_action()</code>	Return the next action.
<code>is_complete()</code>	Check if the agent module has completed.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset the module for the next iteration.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>terminate(value)</code>	Set the termination flag.
<code>update(dt)</code>	Update the module at every delta time step dt.

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## **mipy.agents.modules.UserModule.enter**

`UserModule.enter(t)`

Enter the module and perform initialization tasks.

**Parameters** t : float

The current time (sec)

## **mipy.agents.modules.UserModule.execute**

`UserModule.execute(state)`

Execute the agent module. This method can optionally be overwritten.

**Parameters** state : State

The current state

## **mipy.agents.modules.UserModule.exit**

`UserModule.exit()`

Exit the agent module.

## **mipy.agents.modules.UserModule.get\_next\_action**

`UserModule.get_next_action()`

Return the next action.

Return the next action the agent will execute depending on the key/button pressed.

**Returns** Action :

The next action

### **mlpy.agents.modules.UserModule.is\_complete**

UserModule.**is\_complete**()

Check if the agent module has completed.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the agent module has completed or not.

### **mlpy.agents.modules.UserModule.load**

UserModule.**load**(*filename*)

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** **filename** : str

The name of the file to load from.

### **Notes**

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

### **mlpy.agents.modules.UserModule.reset**

UserModule.**reset**(*t*, \*\**kwargs*)

Reset the module for the next iteration.

Offline learning is performed at the end of the iteration.

**Parameters** **t** : float

The current time (sec).

**kwargs** : dict, optional

Non-positional parameters.

### **mlpy.agents.modules.UserModule.save**

UserModule.**save**(*filename*)

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** **filename** : str

The name of the file to save to.

### mlpy.agents.modules.UserModule.terminate

UserModule.**terminate** (*value*)

Set the termination flag.

**Parameters** *value* : bool

The value of the termination flag.

### mlpy.agents.modules.UserModule.update

UserModule.**update** (*dt*)

Update the module at every delta time step *dt*.

**Parameters** *dt* : float

The elapsed time (sec)

## World Model

<i>WorldObject</i>	The world object base class.
<i>WorldModel</i>	The world model.

### mlpy.agents.world.WorldObject

**class** mlpy.agents.world.**WorldObject**  
Bases: *mlpy.modules.Module*

The world object base class.

The world object base class keeps track of the location of the object and its level of confidence for the information based on when the object was last seen.

#### Notes

All world objects should derive from this class.

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#### Todo

Update the location based on localization.

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#### Attributes

<i>confidence</i>	The level of confidence of the object's information based on when the object was last seen.
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**mlpy.agents.world.WorldObject.confidence****WorldObject .confidence**

The level of confidence of the object's information based on when the object was last seen.

**Returns** float :

The level of confidence.

location	(Points3D) The objects current location.
timestamp	(float) The timestamp the object was last seen (the image was captured).

**Methods**

<code>enter(t)</code>	Enter the world object.
<code>exit()</code>	Exit the module and perform cleanup tasks.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset the module.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>update(dt)</code>	Update the world object based on the elapsed time.
<code>update_confidence()</code>	Update the level of confidence.

**mlpy.agents.world.WorldObject.enter****WorldObject .enter (t)**

Enter the world object.

**Parameters** t : float

The current time (sec)

**mlpy.agents.world.WorldObject.exit****WorldObject .exit ()**

Exit the module and perform cleanup tasks.

**mlpy.agents.world.WorldObject.load****WorldObject .load (filename)**

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** filename : str

The name of the file to load from.

**Notes**

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

### mlpy.agents.world.WorldObject.reset

`WorldObject.reset (t, **kwargs)`

Reset the module.

**Parameters** `t` : float

The current time (sec)

`kwargs` : dict

Additional non-positional parameters.

### mlpy.agents.world.WorldObject.save

`WorldObject.save (filename)`

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to save to.

### mlpy.agents.world.WorldObject.update

`WorldObject.update (dt)`

Update the world object based on the elapsed time.

**Parameters** `dt` : float

The elapsed time (sec)

### mlpy.agents.world.WorldObject.update\_confidence

`WorldObject.update_confidence ()`

Update the level of confidence.

Based on when the object was last seen, the level of confidence for the information available on the object is updated.

## mlpy.agents.world.WorldModel

`class mlpy.agents.world.WorldModel`  
Bases: `mlpy.modules.Module`

The world model.

The world model manages the world objects of type `WorldObject` by ensuring that the objects are updated with the latest information at every time step of the program loop. Furthermore, information of the world objects can be accessed from the world model.

### Notes

The world module follows the singleton design pattern (`Singleton`), ensuring only one instances of the world module exist. This allows for accessing the information of the world model from anywhere in the program.

## Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.agents.world import WorldModel, WorldObject
>>> WorldModel().add_object("ball", WorldObject)
```

```
>>> from mlpy.agents.world import WorldModel
>>> ball = WorldModel().get_object("ball")
```

## Attributes

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### `mid`

The module's unique identifier.

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## `mlpy.agents.world.WorldModel.mid`

`WorldModel.mid`

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

## Methods

<code>add_object(name, obj)</code>	Add a world object.
<code>enter(t)</code>	Enter the world model.
<code>exit()</code>	Exit the module and perform cleanup tasks.
<code>get_object(name)</code>	Returns the object with the given name.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset the module.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>update(dt)</code>	Update all world objects.

## `mlpy.agents.world.WorldModel.add_object`

`WorldModel.add_object(name, obj)`

Add a world object.

**Parameters** `name` : str

The identifier of the world object.

`obj` : WorldObject

The world object instance.

**Raises** `AttributeError`

If an world object with the given name has already been registered.

### mlpy.agents.world.WorldModel.enter

WorldModel.**enter**(*t*)

Enter the world model.

**Parameters** *t* : float

The current time (sec)

### mlpy.agents.world.WorldModel.exit

WorldModel.**exit**()

Exit the module and perform cleanup tasks.

### mlpy.agents.world.WorldModel.get\_object

WorldModel.**get\_object**(*name*)

Returns the object with the given name.

**Parameters** *name* : str

The identifier of the world object.

**Returns** WorldObject :

The world object

### mlpy.agents.world.WorldModel.load

WorldModel.**load**(*filename*)

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** *filename* : str

The name of the file to load from.

### Notes

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

### mlpy.agents.world.WorldModel.reset

WorldModel.**reset**(*t*, \*\**kwargs*)

Reset the module.

**Parameters** *t* : float

The current time (sec)

**kwargs** : dict

Additional non-positional parameters.

**mlpy.agents.world.WorldModel.save**

`WorldModel.save (filename)`  
Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to save to.

**mlpy.agents.world.WorldModel.update**

`WorldModel.update (dt)`  
Update all world objects.

The world objects are updated at each time step of the program loop.

**Parameters** `dt` : float

The elapsed time (sec)

## Finite State Machine

<code>Event</code>	Transition event definition.
<code>EmptyEvent</code>	A no-op transition event.
<code>FSMState</code>	State base class.
<code>Transition</code>	Transition class.
<code>OnUpdate</code>	OnUpdate class.
<code>StateMachine</code>	The finite state machine.

**mlpy.agents.fsm.Event**

`class mlpy.agents.fsm.Event (name, state=None, machine=None, delay=None, *args, **kwargs)`  
Bases: `object`

Transition event definition.

When transitioning from a source state to a destination state a transition event is fired.

**Parameters** `name` : str

Name of the event.

`state` : FSMState, optional

The current state.

`machine` : StateMachine, optional

Reference to the state machine.

`delay` : int, optional

The amount of time (milliseconds) by which checking this event is delayed. Default is 0.

`args` : tuple, optional

Positional parameters passed to the next state.

**kwargs** : dict, optional

Non-positional parameters passed to the next state.

## Methods

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`ready()`

Check if the event is ready.

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### **mlpy.agents.fsm.Event.ready**

`Event.ready()`

Check if the event is ready.

Check if the event has waited the requested amount of time. If so, the event fires.

## **mlpy.agents.fsm.EmptyEvent**

`class mlpy.agents.fsm.EmptyEvent(state=None, machine=None, delay=None, *args, **kwargs)`  
Bases: `mlpy.agents.fsm.Event`

A no-op transition event.

A no-op transition event does nothing when it is fired; i.e. it stays in the same state without transitioning.

**Parameters** `state` : FSMState, optional

The current state.

`machine` : StateMachine, optional

Reference to the state machine.

`delay` : int, optional

The amount of time (milliseconds) by which checking this event is delayed. Default is 0.

`args` : tuple, optional

Positional parameters passed to the next state.

`kwargs` : dict, optional

Non-positional parameters passed to the next state.

## Methods

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`ready()`

Check if the event is ready.

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### **mlpy.agents.fsm.EmptyEvent.ready**

`EmptyEvent.ready()`

Check if the event is ready.

Check if the event has waited the requested amount of time. If so, the event fires.

## mlpy.agents.fsm.FSMState

**class** `mlpy.agents.fsm.FSMState`  
Bases: `mlpy.modules.Module`

State base class.

A state of the finite state machine.

### Attributes

<code>mid</code>	The module's unique identifier.
<code>name</code>	Name of the state.

#### mlpy.agents.fsm.FSMState.mid

`FSMState.mid`

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

#### mlpy.agents.fsm.FSMState.name

`FSMState.name`

Name of the state.

**Returns** str :

The state's name.

### Methods

<code>enter(t, *args, **kwargs)</code>	State initialization.
<code>exit()</code>	Perform cleanup tasks.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>reset(**kwargs)</code>	Reset the module.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>update(dt)</code>	Update the state.

#### mlpy.agents.fsm.FSMState.enter

`FSMState.enter(t, *args, **kwargs)`  
State initialization.

**Parameters** `t` : float

The current time (sec)

## mlpy.agents.fsm.FSMState.exit

```
FSMState.exit()  
    Perform cleanup tasks.
```

## mlpy.agents.fsm.FSMState.load

```
FSMState.load(filename)  
    Load the state of the module from file.
```

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to load from.

### Notes

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

## mlpy.agents.fsm.FSMState.reset

```
FSMState.reset(t, **kwargs)  
    Reset the module.
```

**Parameters** `t` : float

The current time (sec)

`kwargs` : dict

Additional non-positional parameters.

## mlpy.agents.fsm.FSMState.save

```
FSMState.save(filename)  
    Save the current state of the module to file.
```

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to save to.

## mlpy.agents.fsm.FSMState.update

```
FSMState.update(dt)  
    Update the state.  
  
    Update the state and handle state transitions based on events.
```

**Parameters** `dt` : float

The elapsed time (sec)

**Returns** Event :

The transition event.

## mlpy.agents.fsm.Transition

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**class** mlpy.agents.fsm.**Transition** (*source*, *dest*, *conditions=None*, *before=None*, *after=None*)  
 Bases: `object`

Transition class.

Each transition contains a source and a destination state. Furthermore, conditions for transitioning and callbacks before and after transitioning can be specified.

**Parameters** **source** : str

The source state.

**dest** : str

The destination state.

**conditions** : list[callable]

The transition is only executed once the condition(s) have been met.

**before** : callable

Callback function to be called before exiting the source state.

**after** : callable

Callback function to be called after entering the destination state.

### Methods

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<code>execute(event)</code>	Execute the transition.
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#### mlpy.agents.fsm.Transition.execute

**Transition.execute** (*event*)

Execute the transition.

The transition is only executed, if all conditions are met.

**Parameters** **event** : Event

The transition event.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the transition was executed or not.

## mlpy.agents.fsm.OnUpdate

---

**class** mlpy.agents.fsm.**OnUpdate** (*source*, *onupdate=None*, *conditions=None*)  
 Bases: `object`

OnUpdate class.

On update of the current state, a callback can be specified which will be called if the conditions have been met.

**Parameters** **source** : str

The source state.

**onupdate: callable**

The callback function to be called

**conditions : list[callable]**

The condition(s) which have to be met in order for the callback to be called.

## Methods

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<code>execute(machine)</code>	Execute the callback.
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### **mlpy.agents.fsm.OnUpdate.execute**

`OnUpdate.execute (machine)`

Execute the callback.

The callbacks are only called if all conditions are met.

**Parameters machine : StateMachine**

Reference to the state machine.

## **mlpy.agents.fsm.StateMachine**

`class mlpy.agents.fsm.StateMachine (states=None, initial=None, transitions=None, onupdate=None)`

Bases: `mlpy.modules.Module`

The finite state machine.

The finite state machine handles state transitions, by triggering events. Events can also be fired from outside the state machine to force a transition.

**Parameters states : FSMState | list[FSMState], optional**

A list of states.

**initial : str, optional**

The initial state.

**transitions : list[dict] | list[list], optional**

Transition information.

**onupdate : list[dict] | list[list], optional**

Callback information to be executed on update.

## Attributes

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<code>current_state</code>	The current event.
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<code>mid</code>	The module's unique identifier.
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**mlpy.agents.fsm.StateMachine.current\_state****StateMachine.current\_state**

The current event.

**Returns** FSMState :

the current state.

**mlpy.agents.fsm.StateMachine.mid****StateMachine.mid**

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

**Methods**

<code>add_onupdate(source[, onupdate, conditions])</code>	Add a callback to be called on update.
<code>add_states(states)</code>	Add new state(s) to the managed states.
<code>add_transition(event, source, dest[, ...])</code>	Add a transition from a source state to a destination state.
<code>clear_events([state_name])</code>	Clear all events.
<code>enter(t)</code>	Enter the current state.
<code>exit()</code>	Exit the finite state machine.
<code>get_state(state)</code>	Return the FSMState instance with the given name.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>load_from_file(owner, filename, **kwargs)</code>	Load the FSM from file.
<code>post_event(e, *args, **kwargs)</code>	An event is added to the events list.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset the finite state machine and all registered states.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>set_state(state)</code>	Set the current state.
<code>update(dt)</code>	Update state and handle event transitions.

**mlpy.agents.fsm.StateMachine.add\_onupdate****StateMachine.add\_onupdate (source, onupdate=None, conditions=None)**

Add a callback to be called on update.

**Parameters** `source` : str

The state for which the callback will be triggered.

**onupdate** : callable

The callback function.

**conditions** : list[callable]

The conditions that must be met in order to execute the callback.

**Raises** `ValueError`

If the source is not a registered state.

## Notes

By setting source to \*, the callbacks will be called for all states.

### `mlpy.agents.fsm.StateMachine.add_states`

`StateMachine.add_states(states)`

Add new state(s) to the managed states.

**Parameters** `states` : FSMState | list[FSMState]

The state(s) to be added.

### `mlpy.agents.fsm.StateMachine.add_transition`

`StateMachine.add_transition(event, source, dest, conditions=None, before=None, after=None)`

Add a transition from a source state to a destination state.

**Parameters** `event` : str

The event driving the transition.

`source` : str

The source state.

`dest` : str

The destination state.

`conditions` : list[callable]

The conditions that must be met for transition to execute.

`before` : callable

Callback function to be called before exiting the source state.

`after` : callable

Callback function to be called after entering the source state.

**Raises** `ValueError`

If the source or the destination is not a registered state.

## Notes

By setting source to \*, the callbacks will be called for all states.

### `mlpy.agents.fsm.StateMachine.clear_events`

`StateMachine.clear_events(state_name=None)`

Clear all events.

If state\_name is given, the events are only cleared for the given state.

**Parameters** `state_name` : str

The name of the state for which to clear all events. If *None* all events are removed.  
Default is *None*.

### **mlpy.agents.fsm.StateMachine.enter**

StateMachine.**enter**(*t*)

Enter the current state.

**Parameters** *t* : float

The current time (sec)

### **mlpy.agents.fsm.StateMachine.exit**

StateMachine.**exit**()

Exit the finite state machine.

### **mlpy.agents.fsm.StateMachine.get\_state**

StateMachine.**get\_state**(*state*)

Return the FSMState instance with the given name.

**Parameters** *state* : str

The name of the state to retrieve.

**Returns** FSMState :

The state.

**Raises** ValueError

If the state is not a registered state.

### **mlpy.agents.fsm.StateMachine.load**

StateMachine.**load**(*filename*)

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** *filename* : str

The name of the file to load from.

#### **Notes**

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

### **mlpy.agents.fsm.StateMachine.load\_from\_file**

StateMachine.**load\_from\_file**(*owner*, *filename*, \*\**kwargs*)

Load the FSM from file.

Read the information of the state machine from file. The file contains information of the states, transitions and callback function.

**Parameters** `owner` : object

Reference to the object owning the FSM.

`filename` : str

The name of the file containing the FSM configuration information.

`kwarg`s : dict

Non-positional arguments match with configuration parameters during state creation.

## Notes

The FSM setup can be specified via a configuration file in .json format. The configuration file must follow a specific format.

The configuration file must contain the absolute path to the module containing the implementation of each state. Additionally, the configuration file must contain the name of the initial state, a list of states, their transitions, and information of the *onupdate* callback functions.

**Example** A skeleton configuration with two states named “<initial>” and “<next>” and one simple transition between them named “<event>”. The implementation of the states are defined in the file specified in “Module”.

```
{  
    "Module": "absolute/path/to/the/fsm/states.py",  
    "States": [  
        "<initial>",  
        "<next>"  
    ],  
    "Initial": "<initial>",  
    "Transitions": [  
        {"source": "<initial>", "event": "<event>", "dest": "<next>  
        ↪"},  
        {"source": "<next>", "event": "<event2>", "dest": "<initial>  
        ↪"}  
    ],  
    "OnUpdate": [  
    ]  
}
```

If the states have initialization parameters these can be specified as follows:

```
{  
    "States": [  
        {"<initial>": {  
            "args": "motion",  
            "kwargs": {"support_leg": "right"}  
        } }  
    ]  
}
```

This lets the FSM know that the state “<initial>” has two parameters. The positional arguments (specified in `args`) are compared to non-positional arguments in `kwargs` passed to `load_from_file`. If a match exists, the value of the match is passed as argument. If no match exist the value in “`args`” is send directly to the state. Multiple positional arguments can be specified by adding them in a list: [“`arg1`”, “`arg2`”, ...]. The non-positional arguments are send as is to the state.

To specify callback functions before and after transitioning from a source to the destination the following formats are available:

```
{
    "Transitions": [
        {"source": "<initial>", "event": "<event>", "dest": "<next>",
         "before": {"model": "<ClassName>", "func": "<FuncName>"}
         "after": {"model": "<ClassName>", "func": "<FuncName>"}
        {"source": "<next>", "event": "<event2>", "dest": "<initial>",
         "before": "<FuncName>",
         "after": "<FuncName>"}
    ]
}
```

It is also possible to define conditions on the transitions, such that a transition between states is only performed when the condition(s) are met:

```
{
    "Transitions": [
        {"source": "<initial>", "event": "<event>", "dest": "<next>",
         "conditions": ["lambda x: not x._motion.is_running",
                        "FuncName"]
         "before": {"model": "<ClassName>", "func": "<FuncName>"}
         "after": {"model": "<ClassName>", "func": "<FuncName>"}
        {"source": "<next>", "event": "<event2>", "dest": "<initial>",
         "conditions": "FuncName"
         "before": "<FuncName>",
         "after": "<FuncName>"}
    ]
}
```

It is also possible to add a transition to every state by using \*:

```
{
    "Transitions": [
        {"source": "*", "event": "<event>", "dest": "*"},]
}
```

This statement means that “<event>” is a valid event from every state to every other state.

To identify the *onupdate* callback functions use the following format:

```
{
    "OnUpdate": [
        {"source": "<initial>", "conditions": ["lambda x: not x._",
          "motion.is_running",
          "FuncName"]
        "onupdate": {"model": "<ClassName>", "func": "<FuncName>"}
    ]}
```

```
}
```

This lets the FSM know to call the function specified in “onupdate” when in state “<initial>” when the conditions are met. The conditions are optional. Also, instead of calling a class function a lambda or other function can be called here.

## mlpy.agents.fsm.StateMachine.post\_event

```
StateMachine .post_event (e, *args, **kwargs)
```

An event is added to the events list.

The first event that meets all the conditions will be executed.

**Parameters** `e` : str | Event

The event

`args` : tuple, optional

Positional parameters send to the next state.

`kwargs` : dict, optional

Non-positional parameters send to the next state.

**Raises** `ValueError`

If the event `e` is not a string or an instance of Event.

`ValueError`

If event `e` is not a registered transition event or the event is not registered for the current state.

## mlpy.agents.fsm.StateMachine.reset

```
StateMachine .reset (t, **kwargs)
```

Reset the finite state machine and all registered states.

**Parameters** `t` : float

The current time (sec).

`kwargs` : dict, optional

Non-positional parameters.

## mlpy.agents.fsm.StateMachine.save

```
StateMachine .save (filename)
```

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to save to.

**mlpy.agents.fsm.StateMachine.set\_state**

StateMachine.**set\_state** (*state*)

Set the current state.

**Parameters** *state* : str or FSMState

The (name of the) state.

**Raises** **ValueError**

If the state is not a string or an instance of FSMState.

**mlpy.agents.fsm.StateMachine.update**

StateMachine.**update** (*dt*)

Update state and handle event transitions.

**Parameters** *dt* : float

The elapsed time (sec)



# CHAPTER 9

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## Auxiliary functions (`mlpy. auxiliary`)

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This modules.

### Array

<code>accum</code>	An accumulation function similar to Matlab's <i>accumarray</i> function.
<code>normalize</code>	Normalize the input array to sum to 1.
<code>nunique</code>	Efficiently count the unique elements of <i>x</i> along the given axis.

### `mlpy. auxiliary. array. accum`

`mlpy. auxiliary. array. accum`(*accmap*, *a*, *func=None*, *size=None*, *fill\_value=0*, *dtype=None*)

An accumulation function similar to Matlab's *accumarray* function.

**Parameters** `accmap` : array\_like

This is the “accumulation map”. It maps input (i.e. indices into *a*) to their destination in the output array. The first *a.ndim* dimensions of *accmap* must be the same as *a.shape*. That is, *accmap.shape[:a.ndim]* must equal *a.shape*. For example, if *a* has shape (15,4), then *accmap.shape[:2]* must equal (15,4). In this case *accmap[i,j]* gives the index into the output array where element (i,j) of *a* is to be accumulated. If the output is, say, a 2D, then *accmap* must have shape (15,4,2). The value in the last dimension give indices into the output array. If the output is 1D, then the shape of *accmap* can be either (15,4) or (15,4,1)

`a` : array\_like or float or int

The input data to be accumulated.

`func` : callable or None

The accumulation function. The function will be passed a list of values from  $a$  to be accumulated. If None, numpy.sum is assumed.

**size** : array\_like or tuple

The size of the output array. If None, the size will be determined from  $accmap$ .

**fill\_value** : scalar

The default value for elements of the output array.

**dtype** : dtype

The data type of the output array. If None, the data type of  $a$  is used.

**Returns** array\_like :

The accumulated results.

The shape of  $out$  is  $size$  if  $size$  is given. Otherwise the shape is determined by the (lexicographically) largest indices of the output found in  $accmap$ .

## Examples

```
>>> from numpy import array, prod, float64
>>> a = array([[1,2,3],[4,-1,6],[-1,8,9]])
>>> a
array([[ 1,   2,   3],
       [ 4,  -1,   6],
       [-1,   8,   9]])
```

Sum the diagonals:

```
>>> accmap = array([[0,1,2],[2,0,1],[1,2,0]])
>>> s = accum(accmap, a)
array([9, 7, 15])
```

A 2D output, from sub-arrays with shapes and positions like this:

```
[ (2,2) (2,1)]
[ (1,2) (1,1)]
```

```
>>> accmap = array([
...     [[0,0],[0,0],[0,1]],
...     [[0,0],[0,0],[0,1]],
...     [[1,0],[1,0],[1,1]],
... ])
```

Accumulate using a product:

```
>>> accum(accmap, a, func=prod, dtype=float64)
array([[ -8.,  18.],
       [ -8.,   9.]])
```

Same accmap, but create an array of lists of values:

```
>>> accum(acemap, a, func=lambda x: x, dtype='O')
array([[ [1, 2, 4, -1], [3, 6] ],
       [[-1, 8], [9]]], dtype=object)
```

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**Note:** Adapted from

Project: Code from [SciPy Cookbook](#).

Code author: Warren Weckesser

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## mlpy.auxiliary.array.normalize

`mlpy.auxiliary.array.normalize(a, axis=None, return_scale=False)`

Normalize the input array to sum to 1.

**Parameters** `a` : array\_like, shape (*nsamples*, *nfeatures*)

Non-normalized input data array.

`axis` : int

Dimension along which normalization is performed.

**Returns** array\_like, shape (*nsamples*, *nfeatures*) :

An array with values normalized (summing to 1) along the prescribed axis.

### Examples

```
>>>
```

**Attention:** The input array *a* is modified inplace.

## mlpy.auxiliary.array.nunique

`mlpy.auxiliary.array.nunique(x, axis=None)`

Efficiently count the unique elements of *x* along the given axis.

**Parameters** `x` : array\_like

The array for which to count the unique elements.

`axis` : int

Dimension along which to count the unique elements.

**Returns** int or array\_like :

The number of unique elements along the given axis.

## Examples

```
>>>
```

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**Note:** Ported from Matlab:

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## I/O

<code>import_module_from_path</code>	Import a module from a file path and return the module object.
<code>load_from_file</code>	Load data from file.
<code>save_to_file</code>	Saves data to file.
<code>is_pickle</code>	Check if the file with the given name is <code>pickle</code> encoded.
<code>txt2pickle</code>	Converts a text file into a <code>pickle</code> encoded file.

### mlpy.auxiliary.io.import\_module\_from\_path

`mlpy.auxiliary.io.import_module_from_path(full_path, global_name)`

Import a module from a file path and return the module object.

Allows one to import from anywhere, something `__import__` does not do. The module is added to `sys.modules` as `global_name`.

**Parameters** `full_path` : str

The absolute path to the module .py file

`global_name` : str

The name assigned to the module in `sys.modules`. To avoid confusion, the `global_name` should be the same as the variable to which you're assigning the returned module.

## Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.auxiliary.io import import_module_from_path
```

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**Note:**

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## mlpy.auxiliary.io.load\_from\_file

```
mlpy.auxiliary.io.load_from_file(filename, import_modules=None)
```

Load data from file.

Different formats are supported.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

Name of the file to load data from.

**import\_modules** : str or list

List of modules that may be required by the data that need to be imported.

**Returns** dict or list :

The loaded data. If any errors occur, None is returned.

## mlpy.auxiliary.io.save\_to\_file

```
mlpy.auxiliary.io.save_to_file(filename, data)
```

Saves data to file.

The data can be a dictionary or an object's state and is saved in `pickle` format.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

Name of the file to which to save the data to.

`data` : dict or object

The data to be saved.

## mlpy.auxiliary.io.is\_pickle

```
mlpy.auxiliary.io.is_pickle(filename)
```

Check if the file with the given name is `pickle` encoded.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to check.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the file is `pickle` encoded or not.

## mlpy.auxiliary.io.txt2pickle

```
mlpy.auxiliary.io.txt2pickle(filename, new_filename=None, func=None)
```

Converts a text file into a `pickle` encoded file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to encode.

`new_filename` : str

New file name to which the encoded data is saved to.

**func** : callable

A data encoding helper function.

**Returns** str :

The name of the file to which the encoded data was saved to.

## Data structures

<i>Array</i>	The managed array class.
<i>Point2D</i>	The 2d-point class.
<i>Point3D</i>	The 3d-point class.
<i>Vector3D</i>	The 3d-vector class.
<i>Queue</i>	The abstract queue base class.
<i>FIFOQueue</i>	The first-in-first-out (FIFO) queue.
<i>PriorityQueue</i>	The priority queue.

### mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.Array

**class** mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.**Array** (*size*)

Bases: *object*

The managed array class.

The managed array class pre-allocates memory to the given size automatically resizing as needed.

**Parameters** *size* : int

The size of the array.

#### Examples

```
>>> a = Array(5)
>>> a[0] = 3
>>> a[1] = 6
```

Retrieving an elements:

```
>>> a[0]
3
>>> a[2]
0
```

Finding the length of the array:

```
>>> len(a)
2
```

## mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.Point2D

**class** `mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.Point2D(x=0.0, y=0.0)`  
 Bases: `object`

The 2d-point class.

The 2d-point class is a container for positions in a 2d-coordinate system.

**Parameters** `x` : float, optional

The x-position in a 2d-coordinate system. Default is 0.0.

`y` : float, optional

The y-position in a 2d-coordinate system. Default is 0.0.

### Attributes

<code>x</code>	(float) The x-position in a 2d-coordinate system.
<code>y</code>	(float) The y-position in a 2d-coordinate system.

## mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.Point3D

**class** `mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.Point3D(x=0.0, y=0.0, z=0.0)`  
 Bases: `object`

The 3d-point class.

The 3d-point class is a container for positions in a 3d-coordinate system.

**Parameters** `x` : float, optional

The x-position in a 2d-coordinate system. Default is 0.0.

`y` : float, optional

The y-position in a 2d-coordinate system. Default is 0.0.

`z` : float, optional

The z-position in a 3d-coordinate system. Default is 0.0.

### Attributes

<code>x</code>	(float) The x-position in a 2d-coordinate system.
<code>y</code>	(float) The y-position in a 2d-coordinate system.
<code>z</code>	(float) The z-position in a 3d-coordinate system.

## mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.Vector3D

**class** `mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.Vector3D(x=0.0, y=0.0, z=0.0)`  
 Bases: `mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.Point3D`

The 3d-vector class.

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### Todo

Implement vector functionality.

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**Parameters** `x` : float, optional

The x-position in a 2d-coordinate system. Default is 0.0.

`y` : float, optional

The y-position in a 2d-coordinate system. Default is 0.0.

`z` : float, optional

The z-position in a 3d-coordinate system. Default is 0.0.

## Attributes

<code>x</code>	(float) The x-position in a 2d-coordinate system.
<code>y</code>	(float) The y-position in a 2d-coordinate system.
<code>z</code>	(float) The z-position in a 3d-coordinate system.

## mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.Queue

**class** `mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.Queue`  
Bases: `object`

The abstract queue base class.

The queue class handles core functionality common for any type of queue. All queues inherit from the queue base class.

**See also:**

*FIFOQueue*, *PriorityQueue*

## Methods

<code>empty()</code>	Check if the queue is empty.
<code>extend(items)</code>	Extend the queue by a number of elements.
<code>get(item)</code>	Return the element in the queue identical to <i>item</i> .
<code>pop()</code>	Pop an element from the queue.
<code>push(item)</code>	Push a new element on the queue
<code>remove(item)</code>	Remove an element from the queue.

## mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.Queue.empty

`Queue.empty()`

Check if the queue is empty.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the queue is empty.

## mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.Queue.extend

`Queue .extend (items)`

Extend the queue by a number of elements.

**Parameters** `items` : list

A list of items.

## mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.Queue.get

`Queue .get (item)`

Return the element in the queue identical to `item`.

**Parameters** `item` :

The element to search for.

**Returns** The element in the queue identical to `item`. If the element was not found, None is returned.

## mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.Queue.pop

`Queue .pop ()`

Pop an element from the queue.

## mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.Queue.push

`Queue .push (item)`

Push a new element on the queue

**Parameters** `item` :

The element to push on the queue

## mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.Queue.remove

`Queue .remove (item)`

Remove an element from the queue.

**Parameters** `item` :

The element to remove.

## mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.FIFOQueue

`class mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.FIFOQueue`

Bases: `mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.Queue`

The first-in-first-out (FIFO) queue.

In a FIFO queue the first element added to the queue is the first element to be removed.

**See also:**

`PriorityQueue`

## Examples

```
>>> q = FIFOQueue()
>>> q.push(5)
>>> q.extend([1, 3, 7])
>>> print q
[5, 1, 3, 7]
```

Retrieving an element:

```
>>> q.pop()
5
```

Removing an element:

```
>>> q.remove(3)
>>> print q
[1, 7]
```

Get the element in the queue identical to the given item:

```
>>> q.get(7)
7
```

Check if the queue is empty:

```
>>> q.empty()
False
```

Loop over the elements in the queue:

```
>>> for x in q:
>>>     print x
1
7
```

Check if an element is in the queue:

```
>>> if 7 in q:
>>>     print "yes"
yes
```

## Methods

<code>empty()</code>	Check if the queue is empty.
<code>extend(items)</code>	Append a list of elements at the end of the queue.
<code>get(item)</code>	Return the element in the queue identical to <i>item</i> .
<code>pop()</code>	Return the element at the front of the queue.
<code>push(item)</code>	Push an element to the end of the queue.
<code>remove(item)</code>	Remove an element from the queue.

**mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.FIFOQueue.empty****FIFOQueue.empty()**

Check if the queue is empty.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the queue is empty.

**mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.FIFOQueue.extend****FIFOQueue.extend(*items*)**

Append a list of elements at the end of the queue.

**Parameters** items : list

List of elements.

**mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.FIFOQueue.get****FIFOQueue.get(*item*)**Return the element in the queue identical to *item*.**Parameters** item :

The element to search for.

**Returns** The element in the queue identical to *item*. If the element

was not found, None is returned.

**mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.FIFOQueue.pop****FIFOQueue.pop()**

Return the element at the front of the queue.

**Returns** The first element in the queue.**mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.FIFOQueue.push****FIFOQueue.push(*item*)**

Push an element to the end of the queue.

**Parameters** item :

The element to append.

**mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.FIFOQueue.remove****FIFOQueue.remove(*item*)**

Remove an element from the queue.

**Parameters** item :

The element to remove.

## mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.PriorityQueue

```
class mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.PriorityQueue(func=<function <lambda>>)
    Bases: mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.Queue
```

The priority queue.

In a priority queue each element has a priority associated with it. An element with high priority (i.e., smallest value) is served before an element with low priority (i.e., largest value). The priority queue is implemented with a heap.

**Parameters** `func` : callable

A callback function handling the priority. By default the priority is the value of the element.

**See also:**

`FIFOQueue`

### Examples

```
>>> q = PriorityQueue()
>>> q.push(5)
>>> q.extend([1, 3, 7])
>>> print q
[(1,1), (5,5), (3,3), (7,7)]
```

Retrieving the element with highest priority:

```
>>> q.pop()
1
```

Removing an element:

```
>>> q.remove((3, 3))
>>> print q
[(5,5), (7,7)]
```

Get the element in the queue identical to the given item:

```
>>> q.get(7)
7
```

Check if the queue is empty:

```
>>> q.empty()
False
```

Loop over the elements in the queue:

```
>>> for x in q:
...     print x
(5, 5)
(7, 7)
```

Check if an element is in the queue:

```
>>> if 7 in q:
>>>     print "yes"
yes
```

## Methods

<code>empty()</code>	Check if the queue is empty.
<code>extend(items)</code>	Extend the queue by a number of elements.
<code>get(item)</code>	Return the element in the queue identical to <i>item</i> .
<code>pop()</code>	Get the element with the highest priority.
<code>push(item)</code>	Push an element on the priority queue.
<code>remove(item)</code>	Remove an element from the queue.

### mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.PriorityQueue.empty

`PriorityQueue.empty()`

Check if the queue is empty.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the queue is empty.

### mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.PriorityQueue.extend

`PriorityQueue.extend(items)`

Extend the queue by a number of elements.

**Parameters** items : list

A list of items.

### mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.PriorityQueue.get

`PriorityQueue.get(item)`

Return the element in the queue identical to *item*.

**Parameters** item :

The element to search for.

**Returns** The element in the queue identical to *item*. If the element

was not found, None is returned.

### mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.PriorityQueue.pop

`PriorityQueue.pop()`

Get the element with the highest priority.

Get the element with the highest priority (i.e., smallest value).

**Returns** The element with the highest priority.

### mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.PriorityQueue.push

PriorityQueue.**push** (*item*)

Push an element on the priority queue.

The element is pushed on the priority queue according to its priority.

**Parameters item :**

The element to push on the queue.

### mlpy.auxiliary.datastructs.PriorityQueue.remove

PriorityQueue.**remove** (*item*)

Remove an element from the queue.

**Parameters item :**

The element to remove.

## Data sets

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*DataSet*

The data set.

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### mlpy.auxiliary.datasets.DataSet

**class** mlpy.auxiliary.datasets.**DataSet** (*capacity=None, filename=None, append=None*)

Bases: *object*

The data set.

The data set class a container for tracked data. Data can be tracked by adding a *field* for the data of interest. A `numpy.ndarray` is created for every field that is added for recording. Optionally a *description* and a `numpy.dtype` can be associated with the field.

**Parameters capacity** : int

The initial capacity of the record. Defaults to 10.

**filename** : str

The name of the file to load from/save to the record.

**append** : bool

Whether to append to the existing records loaded from file or to overwrite data. Defaults to False.

## Examples

Creating a new dataset that stores its records in `my_history.pkl`:

```
>>> history = DataSet(capacity=2, filename="my_history.pkl")
```

Adding a new field:

```
>>> history.add_field("state", 3, dtype=DataSet.DTYPE_FLOAT)
>>> print history
state: dim(2,)
[]
```

Adding a new data record:

```
>>> import numpy as np
>>> history.append("state", np.ones(3))
```

Add a new sequence:

```
>>> history.new_sequence()
```

Save the dataset to file:

```
>>> history.save()
```

## Methods

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DTYPE_FLOAT	
DTYPE_INT	
DTYPE_OBJECT	
<code>add_field(name, dim[, dtype, description])</code>	Add a field with given the specifications.
<code>append(name, data)</code>	Append a new data record.
<code>get_field(name)</code>	Returns the field with the given name.
<code>get_field_names()</code>	Returns all field names.
<code>has_field(name)</code>	Checks if a field with that name exists.
<code>load([filename])</code>	Load the records from file.
<code>new_sequence()</code>	Adds a new sequence.
<code>save([filename])</code>	Save the record to file.

---

### mlpy.auxiliary.datasets.DataSet.add\_field

`DataSet.add_field(name, dim, dtype=None, description=None)`

Add a field with given the specifications.

**Parameters** `name` : str

The name of the field.

`dim` : int

The dimensions of the field

`dtype` : dtype

The `numpy.dtype` for the underlying `numpy.ndarray`.

`description` : str

An optional description of the field.

### **mlpy.auxiliary.datasets.DataSet.append**

`DataSet.append(name, data)`

Append a new data record.

Append a new data record to the current sequence of samples of the field with the given *name*.

**Parameters** `name` : str

The name of the field.

`data` : str or int or float or ndarray

The data record.

### **mlpy.auxiliary.datasets.DataSet.get\_field**

`DataSet.get_field(name)`

Returns the field with the given name.

**Parameters** `name` : str

The name of the field.

**Returns** ndarray :

If a field with that name exists, the field data is returned.

### **mlpy.auxiliary.datasets.DataSet.get\_field\_names**

`DataSet.get_field_names()`

Returns all field names.

**Returns** tuple[str] :

A list of field names.

### **mlpy.auxiliary.datasets.DataSet.has\_field**

`DataSet.has_field(name)`

Checks if a field with that name exists.

**Parameters** `name` : str

The name of the field.

**Returns** bool :

Whether a field with that name exists.

### **mlpy.auxiliary.datasets.DataSet.load**

`DataSet.load(filename=None)`

Load the records from file.

If filename is None, the record is loaded from the class variable filename.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file.

**Raises ValueError**

If no filename is passed to the function and the member variable filename is *None*

**IOError**

If a file with the name does not exist.

**mlpy.auxiliary.datasets.DataSet.new\_sequence**

`DataSet.new_sequence()`

Adds a new sequence.

Adds a new sequence of samples for all fields and increments the sequence counter.

**mlpy.auxiliary.datasets.DataSet.save**

`DataSet.save(filename=None)`

Save the record to file.

If filename is *None*, the record is saved to the class variable filename.

**Parameters filename : str**

The name of the file

**Raises ValueError**

If no filename is passed to the function and the member variable filename is *None*.

**Notes**

If an error occurred during saving, the function fails silently.

## Miscellaneous

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<code>remove_key</code>	Safely remove the <i>key</i> from the dictionary.
<code>listify</code>	Ensure that the object <i>obj</i> is of type list.
<code>stdout_redirected</code>	Preventing a C shared library to print on stdout.

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**mlpy.auxiliary.misc.remove\_key**

`mlpy.auxiliary.misc.remove_key(d, key)`

Safely remove the *key* from the dictionary.

Safely remove the *key* from the dictionary *d* by first making a copy of dictionary. Return the new dictionary together with the value stored for the *key*.

**Parameters d : dict**

The dictionary from which to remove the *key*.

**key :**

The key to remove

**Returns v :**

The value for the key

**r : dict**

The dictionary with the key removed.

## mlpy.auxiliary.misc.listify

`mlpy.auxiliary.misc.listify(obj)`

Ensure that the object *obj* is of type *list*.

If the object is not of type *list*, the object is converted into a list.

**Parameters obj :**

The object.

**Returns list :**

The object inside a list.

## mlpy.auxiliary.misc.stdout\_redirected

`mlpy.auxiliary.misc.stdout_redirected(*args, **kwds)`

Preventing a C shared library to print on stdout.

### Examples

```
>>> import os
>>>
>>> with stdout_redirected(to="filename") :
>>>     print("from Python")
>>>     os.system("echo non-Python applications are also supported")
```

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**Note:**

Project: Code from StackOverflow.

Code author: J.F. Sebastian

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## Plotting

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*Arrow3D*

Create a new *Mock* object.

## mlpy.auxiliary.plotting.Arrow3D

`mlpy.auxiliary.plotting.Arrow3D = <Mock spec='str' id='140284520602512'>`

Create a new *Mock* object. *Mock* takes several optional arguments that specify the behaviour of the *Mock* object:

•*spec*: This can be either a list of strings or an existing object (a class or instance) that acts as the specification for the mock object. If you pass in an object then a list of strings is formed by calling `dir` on the object (excluding unsupported magic attributes and methods). Accessing any attribute not in this list will raise an `AttributeError`.

If *spec* is an object (rather than a list of strings) then `mock.__class__` returns the class of the spec object. This allows mocks to pass `isinstance` tests.

•*spec\_set*: A stricter variant of *spec*. If used, attempting to *set* or get an attribute on the mock that isn't on the object passed as *spec\_set* will raise an `AttributeError`.

•*side\_effect*: A function to be called whenever the Mock is called. See the `side_effect` attribute. Useful for raising exceptions or dynamically changing return values. The function is called with the same arguments as the mock, and unless it returns `DEFAULT`, the return value of this function is used as the return value.

Alternatively *side\_effect* can be an exception class or instance. In this case the exception will be raised when the mock is called.

If *side\_effect* is an iterable then each call to the mock will return the next value from the iterable. If any of the members of the iterable are exceptions they will be raised instead of returned.

•*return\_value*: The value returned when the mock is called. By default this is a new Mock (created on first access). See the `return_value` attribute.

•*wraps*: Item for the mock object to wrap. If *wraps* is not None then calling the Mock will pass the call through to the wrapped object (returning the real result). Attribute access on the mock will return a Mock object that wraps the corresponding attribute of the wrapped object (so attempting to access an attribute that doesn't exist will raise an `AttributeError`).

If the mock has an explicit *return\_value* set then calls are not passed to the wrapped object and the *return\_value* is returned instead.

•*name*: If the mock has a name then it will be used in the `repr` of the mock. This can be useful for debugging. The name is propagated to child mocks.

Mocks can also be called with arbitrary keyword arguments. These will be used to set attributes on the mock after it is created.



# CHAPTER 10

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## Clustering package (`mlpy.cluster`)

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### K-means clustering

`kmeans`

Hard cluster data using kmeans.

#### `mlpy.cluster.vq.kmeans`

`mlpy.cluster.vq.kmeans`(*x*, *k*, *n\_iter=None*, *thresh=None*, *mean=None*, *fn\_plot=None*, *return\_assignment=False*, *return\_err\_hist=False*, *verbose=False*)  
Hard cluster data using kmeans.

**Parameters** **x** : array\_like, shape (*n, dim*)

List of dim-dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single data point.

**k** : int

The number of clusters to fit.

**n\_iter** : int, optional

Number of iterations to perform. Default is 100.

**thresh** : float, optional

Convergence threshold. Default is 1e-3.

**mean** : array\_like, shape (ncomponents,), optional

Initial guess for the cluster centers.

**fn\_plot** : callable, optional

A plotting callback function.

**return\_assignment** : bool, optional

Whether to return the assignments or not. Default is False.

**return\_err\_hist** : bool, optional

Whether to return the error history. Default is False.

**verbose** : bool, optional

Controls if debug information is printed to the console. Default is False.

**Returns** ndarray or tuple :

The cluster centers and optionally the assignments and error history.

## Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.cluster.vq import kmeans
```

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**Note:** Ported from Matlab:

Project: Probabilistic Modeling Toolkit for Matlab/Octave.

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# CHAPTER 11

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## Constants (`mlpy.constants`)

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Mathematical constants and units used in artificial intelligence.

### Mathematical constants

epsilon	$10^{-5}$
infty	$10^{308}$

### Units

#### SI prefixes

micro	$10^{-6}$
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# CHAPTER 12

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## Environments (mlpy.environments)

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*Environment*

The environment base class.

### mlpy.environments.Environment

**class** mlpy.environments.Environment (*agents=None*)  
Bases: mlpy.modules.Module

The environment base class.

The environment specifies the setting in which the agent(s) act. The class is responsible to update the agent(s) at each time step of the program loop and keeps track if the agents' task is complete.

**Parameters** *agents* : Agent or list[Agent], optional

A list of agents that act in the environment.

#### Attributes

*mid*

The module's unique identifier.

### mlpy.environments.Environment.mid

Environment.mid

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

## Methods

<code>add_agents(agent)</code>	Add an agent to the environment.
<code>enter(t)</code>	Enter the environment and all agents.
<code>exit()</code>	Exit the environment and all agents.
<code>get_agent(mid)</code>	Return the agent specified by the id.
<code>is_complete()</code>	Checks if the environment has completed.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Resets the environment.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>update(dt)</code>	Update the environment and all agents.

### mlpy.environments.Environment.add\_agents

`Environment.add_agents (agent)`

Add an agent to the environment.

**Parameters** `agents` : Agent or list[Agent], optional

A list of agents added to the environment.

### mlpy.environments.Environment.enter

`Environment.enter (t)`

Enter the environment and all agents.

**Parameters** `t` : float

The current time (sec).

### mlpy.environments.Environment.exit

`Environment.exit ()`

Exit the environment and all agents.

Perform cleanup tasks here.

### mlpy.environments.Environment.get\_agent

`Environment.get_agent (mid)`

Return the agent specified by the id.

**Returns** Agent :

The agent identified by the id.

### mlpy.environments.Environment.is\_complete

`Environment.is_complete ()`

Checks if the environment has completed.

This is dependent on whether the agent(s) have completed their task.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the environment has reached some end goal.

## mlpy.environments.Environment.load

Environment .**load** (*filename*)

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** *filename* : str

The name of the file to load from.

### Notes

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

## mlpy.environments.Environment.reset

Environment .**reset** (*t*, \*\**kwargs*)

Resets the environment.

The environment and all agents are reset.

**Parameters** *t* : float

The current time (sec)

**kwargs** : dict, optional

Non-positional parameters, optional.

## mlpy.environments.Environment.save

Environment .**save** (*filename*)

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** *filename* : str

The name of the file to save to.

## mlpy.environments.Environment.update

Environment .**update** (*dt*)

Update the environment and all agents.

**Parameters** *dt* : float

The elapsed time (sec)

## Gridworld

<code>Cell</code>	The abstract cell module.
<code>GridWorld</code>	A gridworld consisting of a 2d-grid.

## mlpy.environments.gridworld.Cell

`class mlpy.environments.gridworld.Cell(x, y, func)`  
Bases: `object`

The abstract cell module.

A cell is a base unit in a 2d-grid. The `GridWorld` is composed of cells.

**Parameters** `x` : int

The x-position of the cell.

`y` : int

The y-position of the cell.

`func` : callable

A callback function to find the neighboring cells.

### Notes

Every class inheriting from Cell must implement `is_occupied`.

### Attributes

<code>neighbors</code>	The cell's neighbors.
<code>x</code>	The x-position of the cell.
<code>y</code>	The y-position of the cell.

### mlpy.environments.gridworld.Cell.neighbors

`Cell.neighbors`

The cell's neighbors.

**Returns** list[Point2D] :

A list of neighbors.

### mlpy.environments.gridworld.Cell.x

`Cell.x`

The x-position of the cell.

**Returns** int :

The x-position.

**mlpy.environments.gridworld.Cell.y****Cell.y**

The y-position of the cell.

**Returns** int :

The y-position.

**Methods**[is\\_occupied\(\)](#)

Determines if the cell is occupied.

**mlpy.environments.gridworld.Cell.is\_occupied****Cell.is\_occupied()**

Determines if the cell is occupied.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the cell is occupied.

**Raises NotImplementedError**

If the child class does not implement this function.

**mlpy.environments.gridworld.GridWorld**

```
class mlpy.environments.gridworld.GridWorld(width=20, height=20, agents=None, filename=None)
```

Bases: *mlpy.environments.Environment*

A gridworld consisting of a 2d-grid.

A gridworld's basic unit is a cell. Each cell has four neighbors corresponding to the actions the agent can take in the four compass directions (N, S, E, W).

**Parameters** **width** : int

The number of cells in the x-direction.

**height** : int

The number of cells in the y-direction.

**agents** : Agent or list[Agent]

A list of agents that act in the gridworld.

**filename** : str

The name of the file containing the configuration of the gridworld.

**Notes**Within the gridworld, the agent's location is denoted by *o*.

## Attributes

<code>height</code>	The number of cells in the y-direction.
<code>mid</code>	The module's unique identifier.
<code>width</code>	The number of cells in the x-direction.

### `mlpy.environments.gridworld.GridWorld.height`

`GridWorld.height`

The number of cells in the y-direction.

**Returns** int :

The height.

### `mlpy.environments.gridworld.GridWorld.mid`

`GridWorld.mid`

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

### `mlpy.environments.gridworld.GridWorld.width`

`GridWorld.width`

The number of cells in the x-direction.

**Returns** int :

The width.

## Methods

<code>add_agents(agent)</code>	Add an agent to the environment.
<code>enter(t)</code>	Enter the environment and all agents.
<code>exit()</code>	Exit the environment and all agents.
<code>find_cells(data)</code>	Find the cells containing given data.
<code>get_agent(mid)</code>	Return the agent specified by the id.
<code>get_cell(loc)</code>	Return the cell based on its x/y-coordinates.
<code>is_complete()</code>	Checks if the environment has completed.
<code>load(f)</code>	Loads the world from file.
<code>make_cell(x, y)</code>	Create the new cell.
<code>move_coords(cell, move)</code>	Returns the coordinates of the neighboring cell the agent transitions to following the given move.
<code>random_location()</code>	Find a random unoccupied location within the grid.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset the agent's state.
<code>save([f])</code>	Save the world to file.
<code>set_start_loc(loc)</code>	Set the agent's starting location.
<code>update(dt)</code>	Update the agents.

**mlpy.environments.gridworld.GridWorld.add\_agents**

GridWorld.**add\_agents** (*agent*)

Add an agent to the environment.

**Parameters** *agents* : Agent or list[Agent], optional

A list of agents added to the environment.

**mlpy.environments.gridworld.GridWorld.enter**

GridWorld.**enter** (*t*)

Enter the environment and all agents.

**Parameters** *t* : float

The current time (sec).

**mlpy.environments.gridworld.GridWorld.exit**

GridWorld.**exit** ()

Exit the environment and all agents.

Perform cleanup tasks here.

**mlpy.environments.gridworld.GridWorld.find\_cells**

GridWorld.**find\_cells** (*data*)

Find the cells containing given data.

**Parameters** *data* : str

The data to match the cell to.

**Returns** list[Cell] :

All cells that contain the specified data.

**mlpy.environments.gridworld.GridWorld.get\_agent**

GridWorld.**get\_agent** (*mid*)

Return the agent specified by the id.

**Returns** Agent :

The agent identified by the id.

**mlpy.environments.gridworld.GridWorld.get\_cell**

GridWorld.**get\_cell** (*loc*)

Return the cell based on its x/y-coordinates.

**Parameters** *loc* : Point2D

The x-/y-coordinates of the cell.

**Returns** Cell :

The cell at the specified location.

### **mipy.environments.gridworld.GridWorld.is\_complete**

`GridWorld.is_complete()`

Checks if the environment has completed.

This is dependent on whether the agent(s) have completed their task.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the environment has reached some end goal.

### **mipy.environments.gridworld.GridWorld.load**

`GridWorld.load(f)`

Loads the world from file.

If a `*.cfg` with the same name exists, the configurations are being loaded as well.

**Parameters** `f` : str or file

The file instance or the filename.

### **mipy.environments.gridworld.GridWorld.make\_cell**

`GridWorld.make_cell(x, y)`

Create the new cell.

`x` [int] The x-coordinate within the gridworld.

`y` [int] The y-coordinate within the gridworld.

**Returns** Cell :

The created cell.

### **mipy.environments.gridworld.GridWorld.move\_coords**

`GridWorld.move_coords(cell, move)`

Returns the coordinates of the neighboring cell the agent transitions to following the given move.

**Parameters** `cell` : Cell

The current cell.

`move` : int

The action performed.

**Returns** Point2D :

The x-/y-coordinates of the resulting cell.

**mipy.environments.gridworld.GridWorld.random\_location**`GridWorld.random_location()`

Find a random unoccupied location within the grid.

**Returns** Point2D :

The random x-/y-coordinates.

**mipy.environments.gridworld.GridWorld.reset**`GridWorld.reset(t, **kwargs)`

Reset the agent's state.

**Parameters** `t` : float

The current time (sec).

`kwargs` : dict, optional

Non-positional parameters.

**mipy.environments.gridworld.GridWorld.save**`GridWorld.save(f=None)`

Save the world to file.

**Parameters** `f` : str or file

The file instance or the filename.

**mipy.environments.gridworld.GridWorld.set\_start\_loc**`GridWorld.set_start_loc(loc)`

Set the agent's starting location.

**Parameters** `loc` : Point2D

The x-/y-coordinates the agent starts out in.

**mipy.environments.gridworld.GridWorld.update**`GridWorld.update(dt)`

Update the agents.

**Parameters** `dt` : float

The elapsed time (sec)

## Nao

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*NaoEnvFactory*

The NAO environment factory.

*PhysicalWorld*

The physical (real) environment.

*Webots*

Simulated environment using the Webots simulator.

## mlpy.environments.nao.NaoEnvFactory

```
class mlpy.environments.nao.NaoEnvFactory  
    Bases: object
```

The NAO environment factory.

An instance of a NAO environment can be created by passing the environment type.

### Notes

Currently only soccer related events are handled by the Nao worlds. To be more specific the environment attempts to detect whether a goal was scored. The physical world will prompt the user to reset the experiment while the supervisor in the Webots world is responsible for resetting the environment for the next experiment.

### Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.environments.nao import NaoEnvFactory  
>>> NaoEnvFactory.create('nao.physicalworld')
```

This creates a *PhysicalWorld* instance controlling agents in the real world.

```
>>> NaoEnvFactory.create('nao.webots', 12345)
```

This creates a *Webots* instance controlling simulated agents in Webots. The port ‘12345’ is the port the controller of the supervisor in the Webots world listens to.

### Methods

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<code>create(_type, *args, **kwargs)</code>	Create a Nao environment of the given type.
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#### mlpy.environments.nao.NaoEnvFactory.create

```
static NaoEnvFactory.create(_type, *args, **kwargs)
```

Create a Nao environment of the given type.

**Parameters** `_type` : str

The Nao environment type. Valid environment types:

**nao.physicalworld** This controls the robots in the real world. The environment interacts with the user to inquire about events happening in the real world. A *PhysicalWorld* instance is created.

**nao.webots** This controls the simulated robots in the Webots simulator. The world in the simulator should include a supervisor using a controller to handle the required events. A sample controller can be found in *environments/webots/controllers/serverc*. A *Webots* instance is created.

**args** : tuple, optional

Positional arguments to pass to the class of the given type for initialization.

**kwargvs** : dict, optional

---

Non-positional arguments to pass to the class of the given type for initialization.

**Returns** Environment

A Nao environment instance of the given type.

## mlpy.environments.nao.PhysicalWorld

---

**class** `mlpy.environments.nao.PhysicalWorld(agents=None)`  
 Bases: `mlpy.environments.Environment`

The physical (real) environment.

**Parameters** `agents` : Agent or list[Agent], optional

A list of agents that act in the environment.

### Notes

The agents are acting in the real world. To capture events happening in the real world the user is prompted to provide the information.

### Attributes

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<code>mid</code>	The module's unique identifier.
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## mlpy.environments.nao.PhysicalWorld.mid

`PhysicalWorld.mid`

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

### Methods

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<code>add_agents(agent)</code>	Add an agent to the environment.
<code>check_data(value)</code>	Request to check for data.
<code>enter(t)</code>	Enter the environment and all agents.
<code>exit()</code>	Exit the environment and all agents.
<code>get_agent(mid)</code>	Return the agent specified by the id.
<code>is_complete()</code>	Checks if the environment has completed.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset the environment and all agents.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>update(dt)</code>	Update the environment and all agents.

---

## mlpy.environments.nao.PhysicalWorld.add\_agents

PhysicalWorld.**add\_agents** (*agent*)

Add an agent to the environment.

**Parameters** *agents* : Agent or list[Agent], optional

A list of agents added to the environment.

## mlpy.environments.nao.PhysicalWorld.check\_data

PhysicalWorld.**check\_data** (*value*)

Request to check for data.

**Parameters** *value* : str

The request identifier.

**Returns** The result returned by the user.

### Notes

When checking for data, the user is prompted to provide the information via the console.

## mlpy.environments.nao.PhysicalWorld.enter

PhysicalWorld.**enter** (*t*)

Enter the environment and all agents.

**Parameters** *t* : float

The current time (sec).

## mlpy.environments.nao.PhysicalWorld.exit

PhysicalWorld.**exit** ()

Exit the environment and all agents.

Perform cleanup tasks here.

## mlpy.environments.nao.PhysicalWorld.get\_agent

PhysicalWorld.**get\_agent** (*mid*)

Return the agent specified by the id.

**Returns** Agent :

The agent identified by the id.

### mlpy.environments.nao.PhysicalWorld.is\_complete

`PhysicalWorld.is_complete()`

Checks if the environment has completed.

This is dependent on whether the agent(s) have completed their task.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the environment has reached some end goal.

### mlpy.environments.nao.PhysicalWorld.load

`PhysicalWorld.load(filename)`

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** filename : str

The name of the file to load from.

#### Notes

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

### mlpy.environments.nao.PhysicalWorld.reset

`PhysicalWorld.reset(t, **kwargs)`

Reset the environment and all agents.

The user is prompted to reset the environment (i.e., experiment). Once the user has reset the environment all agents are reset.

**Parameters** t : float

The current time (sec)

**kwargs** : dict, optional

Non-positional parameters, optional.

### mlpy.environments.nao.PhysicalWorld.save

`PhysicalWorld.save(filename)`

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** filename : str

The name of the file to save to.

### mlpy.environments.nao.PhysicalWorld.update

`PhysicalWorld.update(dt)`

Update the environment and all agents.

**Parameters** dt : float

The elapsed time (sec)

## mlpy.environments.nao.Webots

**class** `mlpy.environments.nao.Webots` (*port=12345, agents=None*)

Bases: `mlpy.environments.Environment`

Simulated environment using the Webots simulator.

The Webots environment works in conjunction with a controller specified for a supervisor. A sample controller can be found in *webots/controllers/serverc*. This controller listens on port *12345* for the following events:

**request reset** Requests an environment reset from the controller.

**check goal** Requests from the controller a check whether a goal was scored or not. The result of that check is send back to the client.

**Parameters** `port` : int, optional

The port the controller listens to. If using the environment in conjunction with controller *serverc* the port number is *12345*. Default is 12345.

`agents` : Agent or list[Agent], optional

A list of agents that act in the environment.

### Notes

When requested to reset, the environment will request to reset the simulated environment in Webots from the controller. It is also possible to check if a goal was scored by calling the function `check_data` with the argument ‘check goal’. This sends a request to the controller to check if a goal was scored.

**Attention:** The Webots environment class requires the NAOqi API from Aldebaran be installed on your machine. A separate license is required for the API.

### Attributes

---

`mid`

The module’s unique identifier.

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## mlpy.environments.nao.Webots.mid

`Webots.mid`

The module’s unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module’s unique identifier

### Methods

---

`add_agents(agent)`

Add an agent to the environment.

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`check_data(value)`

Request to check for data.

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`enter(t)`

Enter the environment and all agents.

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<code>exit()</code>	Exit the environment and all agents.
<code>get_agent(mid)</code>	Return the agent specified by the id.
<code>is_complete()</code>	Checks if the environment has completed.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset the environment and all agents.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>update(dt)</code>	Update the environment and all agents.

**mlpy.environments.nao.Webots.add\_agents**`Webots.add_agents(agent)`

Add an agent to the environment.

**Parameters** `agents` : Agent or list[Agent], optional

A list of agents added to the environment.

**mlpy.environments.nao.Webots.check\_data**`Webots.check_data(value)`

Request to check for data.

**Parameters** `value` : str

The request identifier.

**Returns** The result returned by the controller.**Notes**

The Webots environment works in conjunction with a controller specified for a supervisor. When checking for data, a request with the `value` is send to the controller which extracts the information and returns the results.

**mlpy.environments.nao.Webots.enter**`Webots.enter(t)`

Enter the environment and all agents.

**Parameters** `t` : float

The current time (sec).

**mlpy.environments.nao.Webots.exit**`Webots.exit()`

Exit the environment and all agents.

Perform cleanup tasks here.

### **mipy.environments.nao.Webots.get\_agent**

`Webots.get_agent (mid)`

Return the agent specified by the id.

**Returns** Agent :

The agent identified by the id.

### **mipy.environments.nao.Webots.is\_complete**

`Webots.is_complete ()`

Checks if the environment has completed.

This is dependent on whether the agent(s) have completed their task.

**Returns** bool

Whether the environment has reached some end goal.

### **mipy.environments.nao.Webots.load**

`Webots.load (filename)`

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** filename : str

The name of the file to load from.

### **Notes**

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

### **mipy.environments.nao.Webots.reset**

`Webots.reset (t, **kwargs)`

Reset the environment and all agents.

A request is send to the controller to reset the environment. Once the environment is reset all agents acting in the environment are reset.

**Parameters** t : float

The current time (sec)

**kwargs** : dict, optional

Non-positional parameters, optional.

### **mipy.environments.nao.Webots.save**

`Webots.save (filename)`

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** filename : str

The name of the file to save to.

**mlpy.environments.nao.Webots.update**

`Webots.update(dt)`

Update the environment and all agents.

**Parameters** `dt` : float

The elapsed time (sec)



# CHAPTER 13

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## Experiment Infrastructure (`mlpy.experiments`)

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*Experiment*

The experiment class.

### **mlpy.experiments.Experiment**

**class** `mlpy.experiments.Experiment` (*env*)  
Bases: `object`

The experiment class.

An experiment sets up an agent in an environment and runs until the environment is considered to have completed. This can be the case when all agents acting in the environment have reached their goal state.

An experiment can consist of multiple episodes and rests itself at the end of each episode.

**Parameters** `env` : Environment

The environment in which to run the agent(s).

#### Methods

<code>enter()</code>	Enter the experiment.
<code>exit()</code>	Exit the experiment.
<code>reset()</code>	Reset the experiment.
<code>run()</code>	Run the experiment.
<code>update()</code>	Update all modules during the program loop.

#### **mlpy.experiments.Experiment.enter**

`Experiment.enter()`  
Enter the experiment.

## mlpy.experiments.Experiment.exit

```
Experiment.exit()  
    Exit the experiment.
```

## mlpy.experiments.Experiment.reset

```
Experiment.reset()  
    Reset the experiment.
```

## mlpy.experiments.Experiment.run

```
Experiment.run()  
    Run the experiment.
```

The experiment finishes when the environment is considered to have completed. Possible causes for completing the environment is that all agents have reached a goal state.

## mlpy.experiments.Experiment.update

```
Experiment.update()  
    Update all modules during the program loop.
```

# Tasks

<i>Task</i>	The task description base class.
<i>EpisodicTask</i>	The episodic task description base class.
<i>SearchTask</i>	The abstract class for a search task definition.

## mlpy.experiments.task.Task

```
class mlpy.experiments.task.Task(env=None)  
    Bases: object
```

The task description base class.

A task description describes the task the agent is to perform. The task description allows to configure *State* and *Action* by setting the number of features, the description and by overwriting the static functions *is\_valid*, *encode*, and *decode* at runtime.

**Parameters** *env* : Environment, optional

The environment in which the agent performs the task.

**See also:**

*EpisodicTask*, *SearchTask*

## Notes

Any task should inherit from this base class or any class deriving from this class. Every deriving class must overwrite the methods `_configure_state` and `_configure_action` to configure the classes `State` and `Action`, respectively.

For both `State` and `Action` the appropriate class variables can be set by calling the following functions:

- `set_nfeatures`
- `set_dtype`
- `set_description`
- `set_discretized`
- `set_minmax_features`
- `set_states_per_dim`

Overwrite the following `State` and `Action` methods to allow for more readable descriptions:

- `encode`
- `decode`

Additionally, the `State` class provides a method to check a state's validity:

- `is_valid`

## Attributes

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<code>event_delay</code>	Event delay.
<code>is_episodic</code>	Identifies if the task is episodic or not.

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### `mlpy.experiments.task.Task.event_delay`

#### `Task.event_delay`

Event delay.

The time in milliseconds (ms) by which the fsm event is delayed once termination is requested.

**Returns** float :

The time in milliseconds.

### `mlpy.experiments.task.Task.is_episodic`

#### `Task.is_episodic`

Identifies if the task is episodic or not.

**Returns** bool :

Whether this task is episodic or not.

## Methods

<code>get_reward(state, action)</code>	Retrieve the reward.
<code>is_complete()</code>	Check if the task has completed.
<code>request_termination(value)</code>	Request termination of the task.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset the task.
<code>sensation(**kwargs)</code>	Gather the state feature information.
<code>terminate(value)</code>	Set the termination flag.
<code>termination_requested()</code>	Check if termination was requested.

### `mlpy.experiments.task.Task.get_reward`

`Task.get_reward(state, action)`

Retrieve the reward.

Retrieve the reward for the given state and action from the environment.

**Parameters** `state` : State

The current state.

`action` : Action

The current action.

**Returns** float :

The reward.

### `mlpy.experiments.task.Task.is_complete`

`Task.is_complete()`

Check if the task has completed.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the task has completed or not.

### `mlpy.experiments.task.Task.request_termination`

`Task.request_termination(value)`

Request termination of the task.

**Parameters** `value` : bool

The value to set the termination requested flag to.

### `mlpy.experiments.task.Task.reset`

`Task.reset(t, **kwargs)`

Reset the task.

**Parameters** `t` : float

The current time (sec).

`kwargs` : dict, optional

Non-positional parameters.

**mlpy.experiments.task.Task.sensation****Task.sensation**(*\*\*kwargs*)

Gather the state feature information.

Gather the state information (i.e. features) according to the task from the agent's senses.

**Parameters** **kwargs**: dict

Non-positional arguments needed for gathering the information.

**Returns** **features** : array, shape (*nfeatures*,

The sensed features

**Raises** **NotImplementedError**

If the child class does not implement this function.

**mlpy.experiments.task.Task.terminate****Task.terminate**(*value*)

Set the termination flag.

**Parameters** **value** : bool

The value to set the termination flag to.

**mlpy.experiments.task.Task.termination\_requested****Task.termination\_requested**()

Check if termination was requested.

**Returns** bool :

Whether termination was requested or not.

**mlpy.experiments.task.EpisodicTask****class** mlpy.experiments.task.EpisodicTask(*initial\_states*, *terminal\_states*, *env=None*)Bases: [mlpy.experiments.task.Task](#)

The episodic task description base class.

This class automatically identifies the task as an episodic task. An episodic task has a set of actions that transitions the agent into a terminal state. Once a terminal state is reached the task is complete.

**Parameters** **initial\_states** : str or State or list[str or State]

List of possible initial states.

**terminal\_states** : str or State or list[str or State]

List of terminal states.

**env** : Environment, optional

The environment in which the agent performs the task.

## Notes

Every deriving class must overwrite the methods `_configure_state` and `_configure_action` to configure the classes `State` and `Action`, respectively.

For both `State` and `Action` the appropriate class variables can be set by calling the following functions:

- `set_nfeatures`
- `set_dtype`
- `set_description`
- `set_discretized`
- `set_minmax_features`
- `set_states_per_dim`

Overwrite the following `State` and `Action` methods to allow for more readable descriptions:

- `encode`
- `decode`

Additionally, the `State` class provides a method to check a state's validity. Overwrite this function to specify valid states:

- `is_valid`

## Attributes

<code>event_delay</code>	Event delay.
<code>is_episodic</code>	Identifies if the task is episodic or not.

### `mipy.experiments.task.EpisodicTask.event_delay`

`EpisodicTask.event_delay`

Event delay.

The time in milliseconds (ms) by which the fsm event is delayed once termination is requested.

**Returns** float :

The time in milliseconds.

### `mipy.experiments.task.EpisodicTask.is_episodic`

`EpisodicTask.is_episodic`

Identifies if the task is episodic or not.

**Returns** bool :

Whether this task is episodic or not.

## Methods

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<code>get_reward(state, action)</code>	Retrieve the reward.
<code>is_complete()</code>	Check if the task has completed.
<code>random_initial_state()</code>	Return a random initial state.
<code>request_termination(value)</code>	Request termination of the task.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset the task.
<code>sensation(**kwargs)</code>	Gather the state feature information.
<code>terminate(value)</code>	Set the termination flag.
<code>termination_requested()</code>	Check if termination was requested.

---

**mlpy.experiments.task.EpisodicTask.get\_reward**`EpisodicTask.get_reward(state, action)`

Retrieve the reward.

Retrieve the reward for the given state and action from the environment.

**Parameters** `state` : State

The current state.

`action` : Action

The current action.

**Returns** float :

The reward.

**mlpy.experiments.task.EpisodicTask.is\_complete**`EpisodicTask.is_complete()`

Check if the task has completed.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the task has completed or not.

**mlpy.experiments.task.EpisodicTask.random\_initial\_state**`static EpisodicTask.random_initial_state()`

Return a random initial state.

**Returns** str or State :

A random initial state.

**mlpy.experiments.task.EpisodicTask.request\_termination**`EpisodicTask.request_termination(value)`

Request termination of the task.

**Parameters** `value` : bool

The value to set the termination requested flag to.

## mlpy.experiments.task.EpisodicTask.reset

EpisodicTask.**reset** (*t*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Reset the task.

**Parameters** *t* : float

The current time (sec).

**kwarg**s : dict, optional

Non-positional parameters.

## mlpy.experiments.task.EpisodicTask.sensation

EpisodicTask.**sensation** (*\*\*kwargs*)

Gather the state feature information.

Gather the state information (i.e. features) according to the task from the agent's senses.

**Parameters** *kwarg*s: dict

Non-positional arguments needed for gathering the information.

**Returns** *features* : array, shape (*nfeatures*,

The sensed features

**Raises** **NotImplementedError**

If the child class does not implement this function.

## mlpy.experiments.task.EpisodicTask.terminate

EpisodicTask.**terminate** (*value*)

Set the termination flag.

**Parameters** *value* : bool

The value to set the termination flag to.

## mlpy.experiments.task.EpisodicTask.termination\_requested

EpisodicTask.**termination\_requested**()

Check if termination was requested.

**Returns** bool :

Whether termination was requested or not.

## mlpy.experiments.task.SearchTask

**class** mlpy.experiments.task.**SearchTask** (*initial\_states*, *terminal\_states=None*, *env=None*)  
Bases: *mlpy.experiments.task.EpisodicTask*

The abstract class for a search task definition.

**Parameters** *initial\_states* : str or State or list[str or State]

List of possible initial states.

**terminal\_states** : str or State or list[str or State]

List of terminal states.

**env** : Environment, optional

The environment in which the agent performs the task.

## Attributes

<code>event_delay</code>	Event delay.
<code>is_episodic</code>	Identifies if the task is episodic or not.

### **mlpy.experiments.task.SearchTask.event\_delay**

`SearchTask.event_delay`

Event delay.

The time in milliseconds (ms) by which the fsm event is delayed once termination is requested.

**Returns** float :

The time in milliseconds.

### **mlpy.experiments.task.SearchTask.is\_episodic**

`SearchTask.is_episodic`

Identifies if the task is episodic or not.

**Returns** bool :

Whether this task is episodic or not.

## Methods

<code>get_path_cost(c, _)</code>	Returns the cost for the current path.
<code>get_reward(state, action)</code>	Retrieve the reward.
<code>get_successor(state)</code>	Find valid successors.
<code>is_complete()</code>	Check if the task has completed.
<code>random_initial_state()</code>	Return a random initial state.
<code>request_termination(value)</code>	Request termination of the task.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset the task.
<code>sensation(**kwargs)</code>	Gather the state feature information.
<code>terminate(value)</code>	Set the termination flag.
<code>termination_requested()</code>	Check if termination was requested.

### **mlpy.experiments.task.SearchTask.get\_path\_cost**

**static** `SearchTask.get_path_cost(c, _)`

Returns the cost for the current path.

**Parameters** `c` : float

The current cost for the path.

**Returns** float :

The updated cost.

### **mipy.experiments.task.SearchTask.get\_reward**

`SearchTask.get_reward(state, action)`

Retrieve the reward.

Retrieve the reward for the given state and action from the environment.

**Parameters** state : State

The current state.

**action** : Action

The current action.

**Returns** float :

The reward.

### **mipy.experiments.task.SearchTask.get\_successor**

`SearchTask.get_successor(state)`

Find valid successors.

Finds all valid successors (state-action pairs) for the given state.

**Parameters** state : int or tuple[int]

The state from which to find successors.

**Returns** list[tuple(str, str or tuple[str])] :

A list of all successor.

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

If the child class does not implement this function.

### **mipy.experiments.task.SearchTask.is\_complete**

`SearchTask.is_complete()`

Check if the task has completed.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the task has completed or not.

### **mipy.experiments.task.SearchTask.random\_initial\_state**

`SearchTask.random_initial_state()`

Return a random initial state.

**Returns** str or State :

A random initial state.

**mlpy.experiments.task.SearchTask.request\_termination**

SearchTask.**request\_termination**(*value*)

Request termination of the task.

**Parameters** *value* : bool

The value to set the termination requested flag to.

**mlpy.experiments.task.SearchTask.reset**

SearchTask.**reset**(*t*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Reset the task.

**Parameters** *t* : float

The current time (sec).

**kwargs** : dict, optional

Non-positional parameters.

**mlpy.experiments.task.SearchTask.sensation**

SearchTask.**sensation**(*\*\*kwargs*)

Gather the state feature information.

Gather the state information (i.e. features) according to the task from the agent's senses.

**Parameters** *kwargs*: dict

Non-positional arguments needed for gathering the information.

**Returns** *features* : array, shape (*nfeatures*,

The sensed features

**Raises** **NotImplementedError**

If the child class does not implement this function.

**mlpy.experiments.task.SearchTask.terminate**

SearchTask.**terminate**(*value*)

Set the termination flag.

**Parameters** *value* : bool

The value to set the termination flag to.

**mlpy.experiments.task.SearchTask.termination\_requested**

SearchTask.**termination\_requested**()

Check if termination was requested.

**Returns** bool :

Whether termination was requested or not.



# CHAPTER 14

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## Knowledge representations (`mlpy.knowledgerep`)

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### Case base reasoning (`mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr`)

#### Engine

<code>CaseMatch</code>	Case match information.
<code>Case</code>	The representation of a case in the case base.
<code>CaseBaseEntry</code>	The case base entry class.
<code>CaseBase</code>	The case base engine.

#### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseMatch`

`class mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseMatch(case, key, similarity=None)`  
Bases: `object`

Case match information.

**Parameters** `case` : Case

The matching case.

**similarity** :

A measure for the similarity to the query case.

#### Attributes

<code>is_solution</code>	(bool) Whether this case match is a solution to the query case or not.
<code>error</code>	(float) The error of the prediction.
<code>predicted</code>	(bool) Whether the query case could be correctly predicted using this case match.

## Methods

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<code>get_similarity(key)</code>	Retrieve the similarity measure for the feature identified by the key.
<code>set_similarity(key, value)</code>	Set the similarity measure for the feature identified by the key.

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### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseMatch.get_similarity`

`CaseMatch.get_similarity(key)`

Retrieve the similarity measure for the feature identified by the key.

**Returns** float :

The similarity measure.

### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseMatch.set_similarity`

`CaseMatch.set_similarity(key, value)`

Set the similarity measure for the feature identified by the key.

## `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.Case`

**class** `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.Case` (`cid, name=None, description=None, features=None`)  
Bases: `object`

The representation of a case in the case base.

A case is composed of one or more Feature.

**Parameters** `cid` : int

The case's unique identifier.

`name` : str

The name for the case.

`description` : str

Text describing the case, optional.

`features` : dict

A list of features describing the case.

## Attributes

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<code>id</code>	The case's unique identifier.
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### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.Case.id`

`Case.id`

The case's unique identifier.

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**Return type** int

## Methods

<code>add_feature(name, _type, value, **kwargs)</code>	Add a new feature.
<code>compute_similarity(other)</code>	Computes how similar two cases are.
<code>get_features(names)</code>	Return sorted collection of features with the specified name.
<code>get_indexed()</code>	Return sorted collection of all indexed features.
<code>get_retrieval_method(names)</code>	Returns the retrieval method for the given features.
<code>get_retrieval_params(names)</code>	Return the retrieval parameters for the given features.
<code>next()</code>	

### mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.Case.add\_feature

`Case.add_feature(name, _type, value, **kwargs)`

Add a new feature.

**Parameters** `name` : str

The name of the feature (this also serves as the features identifying key).

`_type` : str

The type of the feature. Valid feature types are:

**bool** The feature values are boolean types (*BoolFeature*).

**string** The feature values are of types sting (*StringFeature*).

**int** The feature values are of type integer (*IntFeature*).

**float** The feature values are of type float (*FloatFeature*).

`value` : bool or string or int or float or list

The feature value.

**Other Parameters** `weight` : float or list[float]

The weights given to each feature value.

`is_index` : bool

Flag indicating whether this feature is an index.

`retrieval_method` : str

The similarity model used for retrieval. Refer to *Feature.retrieval\_method* for valid methods.

`retrieval_method_params` : dict

Parameters relevant to the selected retrieval method.

`retrieval_algorithm` : str

The internal indexing structure of the training data. Refer to *Feature.retrieval\_method* for valid algorithms.

`retrieval_metric` : str

The metric used to compute the distances between pairs of points. Refer to `sklearn.neighbors.DistanceMetric` for valid identifiers.

**retrieval\_metric\_params** : dict

Parameters relevant to the specified metric.

### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.Case.compute_similarity`

`Case.compute_similarity(other)`

Computes how similar two cases are.

**Parameters other** : Case

The other case this case is compared to.

**Returns** float :

The similarity measure between the two cases.

### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.Case.get_features`

`Case.get_features(names)`

Return sorted collection of features with the specified name.

**Parameters names** : str or list[str]

The name(s) of the features to retrieve.

**Returns** list or int or str or bool or float :

List of features with the specified names(s)

### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.Case.get_indexed`

`Case.get_indexed()`

Return sorted collection of all indexed features.

**Returns** list :

The names of the indexed features in ascending order.

### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.Case.get_retrieval_method`

`Case.get_retrieval_method(names)`

Returns the retrieval method for the given features.

**Parameters names** : str or list[str]

The name(s) of the feature for which to retrieve the retrieval method.

**Returns** str :

The retrieval method for all feature. Features grouped together for retrieval must use the same retrieval method.

**Raises UserWarning**

If not all features use the same retrieval method.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.Case.get\_retrieval\_params****Case.get\_retrieval\_params**(*names*)

Return the retrieval parameters for the given features.

**Parameters** *names* : str or list[str]

The name(s) of the feature for which to retrieve the retrieval parameters.

**Returns** dict :

The retrieval parameters for the feature(s). Features grouped together for retrieval must use the same retrieval parameters.

**Raises UserWarning**

If not all features use the same retrieval parameters.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.Case.next****Case.next**()**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseBaseEntry****class** mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseBaseEntry(*model*, *validity\_check=True*)  
Bases: object

The case base entry class.

The entry maintains a similarity model from which similar cases can be derived.

Internally the similarity model maintains an indexing structure dependent on the similarity model type for efficient computation of the similarity between cases. The case base is responsible for updating the indexing structure as cases are added and removed.

**Parameters** *model* : ISimilarity

The similarity model.

**validity\_check** : bool

This flag controls whether the dirty flag is being checked before determining whether to rebuild the model or not.

**Attributes**

<b>dirty</b>	(bool) A flag which identifies whether the model needs to be rebuilt. The indexing structure of the similarity model is always rebuilt unless a validity check is required. If a validity check is required the indexing structure is only rebuilt if the entry is considered dirty.
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**Methods***compute\_similarity*(*data\_point*, \*\**kwargs*) Computes the similarity.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseBaseEntry.compute\_similarity

CaseBaseEntry.**compute\_similarity**(*data\_point*, \*\**kwargs*)

Computes the similarity.

Computes the similarity between the data point and each entry in the similarity model's indexing structure.

**Parameters** **data\_point** : list[float]

The data point to each entry in the similarity model is compared to.

**Returns** list[Stat] :

The similarity statistics of all entries in the model's indexing structure.

**Other Parameters** **cases** : dict[int, Case]

The complete case base from which to build the indexing structure used by the similarity model.

**data** : ndarray[ndarray[float]]

If this keyword is set, the cases in the case base are ignored and the data entries specified in this variable are used to build the indexing structure.

**names** : str or list[str]

The feature name(s) relevant for the similarity computation. This field is only required if the cases for building the indexing structure comes from the *cases* field.

**id\_map** : dict[int, int]

The mapping from the data stored in the *data* field to their case ids. This field is only required if the data for building the indexing structure comes from the *data* field.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseBase

```
class mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseBase(case_template, reuse_method=None,
                                              reuse_method_params=None, re-
                                              vision_method=None, revi-
                                              sion_method_params=None, re-
                                              tention_method=None, reten-
                                              tion_method_params=None,
                                              plot_retrieval=None,
                                              plot_retrieval_names=None)
```

Bases: object

The case base engine.

The case base engine maintains the a database of all cases entered into the case base. It manages retrieval, revision, reuse, and retention of cases.

**Parameters** **case\_template**: dict

The template from which to create a new case.

**Example** An example template for a feature named state with the specified feature parameters. *data* is the data from which to extract the case from. In this example it is expected that *data* has a member variable *state*.

```
{
    "state": {
        "type": "float",
        "value": "data.state",
        "is_index": True,
        "retrieval_method": "radius-n",
        "retrieval_method_params": 0.01
    },
    "delta_state": {
        "type": "float",
        "value": "data.next_state - data.state",
        "is_index": False,
    }
}
```

**reuse\_method** : str

The reuse method name to be used during the reuse step. Default is *defaultreusemethod*.

**reuse\_method\_params** : dict

Non-positional initialization parameters for the reuse method instantiation.

**revision\_method** : str

The revision method name to be used during the revision step. Default is *defaultrevisionmethod*.

**revision\_method\_params** : dict

Non-positional initialization parameters for the revision method instantiation.

**retention\_method** : str

The retention method name to be used during the retention step. Default is *defaultretentionmethod*.

**retention\_method\_params** : dict

Non-positional initialization parameters for the retention method instantiation.

**plot\_retrieval** : bool

Whether to plot the result or not. Default is False.

**plot\_retrieval\_names** : str or list[str]

The names of the feature which to plot.

## Examples

Create a case base:

```
>>> from mlpy.auxiliary.io import load_from_file
>>>
>>> template = {}
>>> cb = CaseBase(template)
```

Fill case base with data read from file:

```
>>> from mipy.mdp.stateaction import Experience, State, Action
>>>
>>> data = load_from_file("data/jointsAndActionsData.pkl")
>>> for i in xrange(len(data.itervalues().next())):
...     for j in xrange(len(data.itervalues().next()[0][i]) - 1):
...         if not j == 10: # exclude one experience as test case
...             experience = Experience(State(data["states"][i][:, j]),
...                                     Action(data["actions"][i][:, j]),
...                                     State(data["states"][i][:, j + 1]))
...             cb.run(cb.case_from_data(experience))
```

Loop over all cases in the case base:

```
>>> for i in len(cb):
...     pass
```

Retrieve case with id=0:

```
>>> case = cb[0]
```

## Attributes

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<i>counter</i>	The case counter.
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### mipy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseBase.counter

CaseBase.**counter**

The case counter.

The counter is increased with every case added to the case base.

**Returns** int :

The current count.

## Methods

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<i>add(case)</i>	Add a new case without any checks.
<i>case_from_data(data)</i>	Convert data into a case using the case template.
<i>get_new_id()</i>	Return an unused case id.
<i>load(filename)</i>	
<i>next()</i>	
<i>plot_retention(case, case_matches)</i>	Plot the retention result.
<i>plot_retrieval(case, case_id_list[, names])</i>	Plot the retrieved data.
<i>plot_reuse(case, case_matches, revised_matches)</i>	Plot the reuse result.
<i>plot_revision(case, case_matches)</i>	Plot revision results.
<i>retain(case, case_matches)</i>	Retain new case.
<i>retrieve(case[, names, validity_check])</i>	Retrieve cases similar to the query case.
<i>reuse(case, case_matches)</i>	Performs the reuse step

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<code>revision(case, case_matches)</code>	Evaluate solution provided by problem-solving experience.
<code>run(case)</code>	Run the case base.
<code>save(filename)</code>	

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseBase.add**

`CaseBase.add(case)`  
Add a new case without any checks.

**Parameters** `case` : Case

The case to add to the case base.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseBase.case\_from\_data**

`CaseBase.case_from_data(data)`  
Convert data into a case using the case template.

**Parameters** `data` :

The data from which to extract the case.

**Returns** Case :

The case extracted from the data.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseBase.get\_new\_id**

`CaseBase.get_new_id()`  
Return an unused case id.

**Returns** int :

Unused case ID.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseBase.load**

`CaseBase.load(filename)`

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseBase.next**

`CaseBase.next()`

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseBase.plot\_retention**

`CaseBase.plot_retention(case, case_matches)`  
Plot the retention result.

**Parameters** `case` : Case

The query case.

**case\_matches** : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The corrected solution

### **mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseBase.plot\_retrieval**

CaseBase.**plot\_retrieval** (case, case\_id\_list, names=None)

Plot the retrieved data.

**Parameters** **case** : Case

The query case.

**case\_id\_list** : list[int]

The ids of the cases identified to be similar.

**names** : str or list[str]

The name(s) of the features for which similar cases were retrieve.

### **mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseBase.plot\_reuse**

CaseBase.**plot\_reuse** (case, case\_matches, revised\_matches)

Plot the reuse result.

**Parameters** **case** : Case

The query case.

**case\_matches** : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The solution to the problem-solving experience.

**revised\_matches** : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The revised solution to the problem-solving experience.

### **mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseBase.plot\_revision**

CaseBase.**plot\_revision** (case, case\_matches)

Plot revision results.

**Parameters** **case** : Case

The query case.

**case\_matches** : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The revised solution to the problem-solving experience.

### **mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseBase.retain**

CaseBase.**retain** (case, case\_matches)

Retain new case.

Retain new case depending on the revise outcomes and the CBR policy regarding case retention.

**Parameters** **case** : Case

The query case.

**case\_matches** : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The corrected solution

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseBase.retrieve

CaseBase.**retrieve**(*case*, *names=None*, *validity\_check=True*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Retrieve cases similar to the query case.

**Parameters** *case* : Case

The query case.

**names** : str or list[str]

The name(s) of the features for which to retrieve similar cases.

**validity\_check** : bool

This flag controls whether the dirty flag is being checked before determining whether to rebuild the indexing structure or not.

**Returns** dict[int, CaseMatch] :

The solution to the problem-solving experience.

**Other Parameters** *cases* : dict[int, Case]

The complete case base from which to build the indexing structure used by the similarity model.

**data** : ndarray[ndarray[float]]

If this keyword is set, the cases in the case base are ignored and the data entries specified in this variable are used to build the indexing structure.

**names** : str or list[str]

The feature name(s) relevant for the similarity computation. This field is only required if the cases for building the indexing structure comes from the *cases* field.

**id\_map** : dict[int, int]

The mapping from the data stored in the *data* field to their case ids. This field is only required if the data for building the indexing structure comes from the *data* field.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseBase.reuse

CaseBase.**reuse**(*case*, *case\_matches*)

Performs the reuse step

Performs new generalizations and specializations as a consequence of the solution transformation.

**Parameters** *case* : Case

The query case.

**case\_matches** : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The solution to the problem-solving experience.

**Returns** dict[int, CaseMatch] :

The revised solution to the problem-solving experience.

### **mipy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseBase.revision**

`CaseBase.revision(case, case_matches)`

Evaluate solution provided by problem-solving experience.

**Parameters** `case` : Case

The query case.

`case_matches` : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The revised solution to the problem-solving experience.

**Returns** dict[int, CaseMatch] :

The corrected solution.

### **mipy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseBase.run**

`CaseBase.run(case)`

Run the case base.

Run the case base using the CBR methods retrieve, reuse, revision and retention.

**Parameters** `case` : Case

The query case

**Returns** dict[int, CaseMatch] :

The solution to the problem-solving experience

### **mipy.knowledgerep.cbr.engine.CaseBase.save**

`CaseBase.save(filename)`

## Features

<code>FeatureFactory</code>	The feature factory.
<code>Feature</code>	The abstract feature class.
<code>BoolFeature</code>	The boolean feature.
<code>StringFeature</code>	The string feature.
<code>IntFeature</code>	The integer feature.
<code>FloatFeature</code>	The float feature.

### **mipy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.FeatureFactory**

**class** `mipy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.FeatureFactory`

Bases: `object`

The feature factory.

An instance of a feature can be created by passing the feature type.

## Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features import FeatureFactory
>>> FeatureFactory.create('float', {})
```

## Methods

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<code>create(_type, name, value, **kwargs)</code>	Create a feature of the given type.
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### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.FeatureFactory.create`

**static** `FeatureFactory.create(_type, name, value, **kwargs)`  
Create a feature of the given type.

**Parameters** `_type: str`

The feature type. Valid feature types are:

**bool** The feature values are boolean types (*BoolFeature*).

**string** The feature values are of types sting (*StringFeature*).

**int** The feature values are of type integer (*IntFeature*).

**float** The feature values are of type float (*FloatFeature*).

**kwargs** : dict, optional

Non-positional arguments to pass to the class of the given type for initialization.

**Returns** Feature :

A feature instance of the given type.

### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.Feature`

**class** `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.Feature(name, value, **kwargs)`  
Bases: `object`

The abstract feature class.

A feature consists of one or more feature values.

**Parameters** `name : str`

The name of the feature (this also serves as the features identifying key).

`value : bool or string or int or float or list`

The feature value.

**Other Parameters** `weight : float or list[float]`

The weights given to each feature value.

`is_index : bool`

Flag indicating whether this feature is an index.

`retrieval_method : str`

The similarity model used for retrieval. Refer to `Feature.retrieval_method` for valid methods.

**retrieval\_method\_params** : dict

Parameters relevant to the selected retrieval method.

**retrieval\_algorithm** : str

The internal indexing structure of the training data. Refer to `Feature.retrieval_method` for valid algorithms.

**retrieval\_metric** : str

The metric used to compute the distances between pairs of points. Refer to `sklearn.neighbors.DistanceMetric` for valid identifiers.

**retrieval\_metric\_params** : dict

Parameters relevant to the specified metric.

## Attributes

<code>is_index</code>	Flag indicating whether this feature is an index.
<code>name</code>	The name of the feature (this also serves as the features identifying key).
<code>retrieval_algorithm</code>	The internal indexing structure of the training data.
<code>retrieval_method</code>	The similarity model used during retrieval.
<code>retrieval_method_params</code>	Parameters relevant to the specified retrieval method.
<code>retrieval_metric</code>	The metric used to compute the distances between pairs of points.
<code>retrieval_metric_params</code>	Parameters relevant to the specified metric.
<code>value</code>	The feature value.
<code>weight</code>	The weights given to each feature value

### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.Feature.is_index`

`Feature.is_index`

Flag indicating whether this feature is an index.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the feature is an index.

### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.Feature.name`

`Feature.name`

The name of the feature (this also serves as the features identifying key).

**Returns** str :

The name of the feature.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.Feature.retrieval\_algorithm

Feature.**retrieval\_algorithm**

The internal indexing structure of the training data.

The retrieval algorithm is only relevant for NeighborSimilarity. Valid algorithms are:

**ball\_tree** A ball tree data structure is used for computational efficiency of the calculation of the distances between pairs of points.

**kd\_tree** A K-D Tree data structure is used for computational efficiency of the calculation of the distances between pairs of points.

**brute** The nearest neighbors are determined by brute-force computation of distances between all pairs of points in the dataset.

**auto** When auto is passed, the algorithm attempts to determine the best approach from the training data.

**Returns** str :

The retrieval algorithm.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.Feature.retrieval\_method

Feature.**retrieval\_method**

The similarity model used during retrieval.

Valid models are:

**knn** A k-nearest-neighbor algorithm is used to determine similarity between cases (NeighborSimilarity). The value  $k$  must be specified.

**radius-n** Similarity between cases is determined by the nearest neighbors within a radius (NeighborSimilarity). The radius  $n$  must be specified.

**kmeans** Similarity is determined by a kmeans clustering algorithm (KMeansSimilarity).

**exact-match** Only exact matches are considered similar (ExactMatchSimilarity).

**cosine** A cosine similarity measure is used to determine similarity between cases (CosineSimilarity).

**Returns** str :

The retrieval method.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.Feature.retrieval\_method\_params

Feature.**retrieval\_method\_params**

Parameters relevant to the specified retrieval method.

**Returns** dict :

Retrieval parameters.

### mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.Feature.retrieval\_metric

#### Feature.retrieval\_metric

The metric used to compute the distances between pairs of points.

The retrieval metric is only relevant for NeighborSimilarity. Refer to `sklearn.neighbors.DistanceMetric` for valid metric identifiers.

**Returns** str :

The retrieval metric.

### mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.Feature.retrieval\_metric\_params

#### Feature.retrieval\_metric\_params

Parameters relevant to the specified metric.

**Returns** dict :

The retrieval metric parameters.

### mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.Feature.value

#### Feature.value

The feature value.

**Returns** bool or string or int or float :

The feature value.

### mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.Feature.weight

#### Feature.weight

The weights given to each feature value

**Returns** float or list[float] :

The feature weights.

## Methods

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`compare(other)`

Compare this feature to another feature.

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### mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.Feature.compare

#### Feature.compare (other)

Compare this feature to another feature.

**Parameters** other : Feature

The other feature to compare this feature to.

**Returns** float :

The similarity metric.

**Raises `NotImplementedError`:**

If the child class does not implement this function.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.BoolFeature

```
class mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.BoolFeature(name, value, **kwargs)
Bases: mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.Feature
```

The boolean feature.

The boolean feature is represented by a scalar.

**Parameters** `name` : str

The name of the feature (this also serves as the features identifying key).

`value` : bool or string or int or float or list

The feature value.

**Other Parameters** `weight` : float or list[float]

The weights given to each feature value.

`is_index` : bool

Flag indicating whether this feature is an index.

`retrieval_method` : str

The similarity model used for retrieval. Refer to `Feature.retrieval_method` for valid methods.

`retrieval_method_params` : dict

Parameters relevant to the selected retrieval method.

`retrieval_algorithm` : str

The internal indexing structure of the training data. Refer to `Feature.retrieval_method` for valid algorithms.

`retrieval_metric` : str

The metric used to compute the distances between pairs of points. Refer to `sklearn.neighbors.DistanceMetric` for valid identifiers.

`retrieval_metric_params` : dict

Parameters relevant to the specified metric.

**Raises `ValueError`:**

If the feature values is not of type `boolean`.

## Attributes

<code>is_index</code>	Flag indicating whether this feature is an index.
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<code>name</code>	The name of the feature (this also serves as the features identifying key).
<code>retrieval_algorithm</code>	The internal indexing structure of the training data.
<code>retrieval_method</code>	The similarity model used during retrieval.
<code>retrieval_method_params</code>	Parameters relevant to the specified retrieval method.
<code>retrieval_metric</code>	The metric used to compute the distances between pairs of points.
<code>retrieval_metric_params</code>	Parameters relevant to the specified metric.
<code>value</code>	The feature value.
<code>weight</code>	The weights given to each feature value

### **mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.BoolFeature.is\_index**

`BoolFeature.is_index`

Flag indicating whether this feature is an index.

**Returns** `bool`:

Whether the feature is an index.

### **mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.BoolFeature.name**

`BoolFeature.name`

The name of the feature (this also serves as the features identifying key).

**Returns** `str`:

The name of the feature.

### **mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.BoolFeature.retrieval\_algorithm**

`BoolFeature.retrieval_algorithm`

The internal indexing structure of the training data.

The retrieval algorithm is only relevant for `NeighborSimilarity`. Valid algorithms are:

**ball\_tree** A ball tree data structure is used for computational efficiency of the calculation of the distances between pairs of points.

**kd\_tree** A K-D Tree data structure is used for computational efficiency of the calculation of the distances between pairs of points.

**brute** The nearest neighbors are determined by brute-force computation of distances between all pairs of points in the dataset.

**auto** When `auto` is passed, the algorithm attempts to determine the best approach from the training data.

**Returns** `str`:

The retrieval algorithm.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.BoolFeature.retrieval\_method

BoolFeature.**retrieval\_method**

The similarity model used during retrieval.

Valid models are:

**knn** A k-nearest-neighbor algorithm is used to determine similarity between cases (NeighborSimilarity). The value  $k$  must be specified.

**radius-n** Similarity between cases is determined by the nearest neighbors within a radius (NeighborSimilarity). The radius  $n$  must be specified.

**kmeans** Similarity is determined by a kmeans clustering algorithm (KMeansSimilarity).

**exact-match** Only exact matches are considered similar (ExactMatchSimilarity).

**cosine** A cosine similarity measure is used to determine similarity between cases (CosineSimilarity).

**Returns** str :

The retrieval method.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.BoolFeature.retrieval\_method\_params

BoolFeature.**retrieval\_method\_params**

Parameters relevant to the specified retrieval method.

**Returns** dict :

Retrieval parameters.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.BoolFeature.retrieval\_metric

BoolFeature.**retrieval\_metric**

The metric used to compute the distances between pairs of points.

The retrieval metric is only relevant for NeighborSimilarity. Refer to `sklearn.neighbors.DistanceMetric` for valid metric identifiers.

**Returns** str :

The retrieval metric.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.BoolFeature.retrieval\_metric\_params

BoolFeature.**retrieval\_metric\_params**

Parameters relevant to the specified metric.

**Returns** dict :

The retrieval metric parameters.

### **mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.BoolFeature.value**

`BoolFeature.value`

The feature value.

**Returns** bool or string or int or float :

The feature value.

### **mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.BoolFeature.weight**

`BoolFeature.weight`

The weights given to each feature value

**Returns** float or list[float] :

The feature weights.

## Methods

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`compare(other)`

Compare this feature to another feature.

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### **mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.BoolFeature.compare**

`BoolFeature.compare(other)`

Compare this feature to another feature.

The strings are compared directly and receive a similarity measure of  $1$  if they are the same,  $0$  otherwise.

**Parameters** `other` : Feature

The other feature to compare this feature to.

**Returns** float :

The similarity metric.

### **mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.StringFeature**

`class mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.StringFeature(name, value, **kwargs)`

Bases: `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.Feature`

The string feature.

The string feature is represented by a scalar.

**Parameters** `name` : str

The name of the feature (this also serves as the features identifying key).

`value` : bool or string or int or float or list

The feature value.

**Other Parameters** `weight` : float or list[float]

The weights given to each feature value.

**is\_index** : bool

Flag indicating whether this feature is an index.

**retrieval\_method** : str

The similarity model used for retrieval. Refer to `Feature.retrieval_method` for valid methods.

**retrieval\_method\_params** : dict

Parameters relevant to the selected retrieval method.

**retrieval\_algorithm** : str

The internal indexing structure of the training data. Refer to `Feature.retrieval_method` for valid algorithms.

**retrieval\_metric** : str

The metric used to compute the distances between pairs of points. Refer to `sklearn.neighbors.DistanceMetric` for valid identifiers.

**retrieval\_metric\_params** : dict

Parameters relevant to the specified metric.

**Raises ValueError**

If the feature values is not of type *string*.

**Attributes**

<code>is_index</code>	Flag indicating whether this feature is an index.
<code>name</code>	The name of the feature (this also serves as the features identifying key).
<code>retrieval_algorithm</code>	The internal indexing structure of the training data.
<code>retrieval_method</code>	The similarity model used during retrieval.
<code>retrieval_method_params</code>	Parameters relevant to the specified retrieval method.
<code>retrieval_metric</code>	The metric used to compute the distances between pairs of points.
<code>retrieval_metric_params</code>	Parameters relevant to the specified metric.
<code>value</code>	The feature value.
<code>weight</code>	The weights given to each feature value

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.StringFeature.is\_index**`StringFeature.is_index`

Flag indicating whether this feature is an index.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the feature is an index.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.StringFeature.name**`StringFeature.name`

The name of the feature (this also serves as the features identifying key).

**Returns** str :

The name of the feature.

### **mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.StringFeature.retrieval\_algorithm**

**StringFeature.retrieval\_algorithm**

The internal indexing structure of the training data.

The retrieval algorithm is only relevant for NeighborSimilarity. Valid algorithms are:

**ball\_tree** A ball tree data structure is used for computational efficiency of the calculation of the distances between pairs of points.

**kd\_tree** A K-D Tree data structure is used for computational efficiency of the calculation of the distances between pairs of points.

**brute** The nearest neighbors are determined by brute-force computation of distances between all pairs of points in the dataset.

**auto** When auto is passed, the algorithm attempts to determine the best approach from the training data.

**Returns** str :

The retrieval algorithm.

### **mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.StringFeature.retrieval\_method**

**StringFeature.retrieval\_method**

The similarity model used during retrieval.

Valid models are:

**knn** A k-nearest-neighbor algorithm is used to determine similarity between cases (NeighborSimilarity). The value *k* must be specified.

**radius-n** Similarity between cases is determined by the nearest neighbors within a radius (NeighborSimilarity). The radius *n* must be specified.

**kmeans** Similarity is determined by a kmeans clustering algorithm (KMeansSimilarity).

**exact-match** Only exact matches are considered similar (ExactMatchSimilarity).

**cosine** A cosine similarity measure is used to determine similarity between cases (CosineSimilarity).

**Returns** str :

The retrieval method.

### **mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.StringFeature.retrieval\_method\_params**

**StringFeature.retrieval\_method\_params**

Parameters relevant to the specified retrieval method.

**Returns** dict :

Retrieval parameters.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.StringFeature.retrieval\_metric****StringFeature.retrieval\_metric**

The metric used to compute the distances between pairs of points.

The retrieval metric is only relevant for NeighborSimilarity. Refer to `sklearn.neighbors.DistanceMetric` for valid metric identifiers.

**Returns** str :

The retrieval metric.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.StringFeature.retrieval\_metric\_params****StringFeature.retrieval\_metric\_params**

Parameters relevant to the specified metric.

**Returns** dict :

The retrieval metric parameters.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.StringFeature.value****StringFeature.value**

The feature value.

**Returns** bool or string or int or float :

The feature value.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.StringFeature.weight****StringFeature.weight**

The weights given to each feature value

**Returns** float or list[float] :

The feature weights.

**Methods**


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`compare(other)`

Compare this feature to another feature.

---

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.StringFeature.compare****StringFeature.compare (other)**

Compare this feature to another feature.

The strings are compared directly and receive a similarity measure of  $1$  if they are the same,  $0$  otherwise.

**Parameters** other : Feature

The other feature to compare this feature to.

**Returns** float :

The similarity metric.

### mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.IntFeature

**class** `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.IntFeature(name, value, **kwargs)`

Bases: `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.Feature`

The integer feature.

The integer feature is either represented by a scalar or by a list of values.

**Parameters** `name` : str

The name of the feature (this also serves as the features identifying key).

`value` : bool or string or int or float or list

The feature value.

**Other Parameters** `weight` : float or list[float]

The weights given to each feature value.

`is_index` : bool

Flag indicating whether this feature is an index.

`retrieval_method` : str

The similarity model used for retrieval. Refer to `Feature.retrieval_method` for valid methods.

`retrieval_method_params` : dict

Parameters relevant to the selected retrieval method.

`retrieval_algorithm` : str

The internal indexing structure of the training data. Refer to `Feature.retrieval_method` for valid algorithms.

`retrieval_metric` : str

The metric used to compute the distances between pairs of points. Refer to `sklearn.neighbors.DistanceMetric` for valid identifiers.

`retrieval_metric_params` : dict

Parameters relevant to the specified metric.

**Raises** `ValueError`

If not all feature values are of type *integer*.

### Attributes

<code>is_index</code>	Flag indicating whether this feature is an index.
<code>name</code>	The name of the feature (this also serves as the features identifying key).
<code>retrieval_algorithm</code>	The internal indexing structure of the training data.
<code>retrieval_method</code>	The similarity model used during retrieval.

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<code>retrieval_method_params</code>	Parameters relevant to the specified retrieval method.
<code>retrieval_metric</code>	The metric used to compute the distances between pairs of points.
<code>retrieval_metric_params</code>	Parameters relevant to the specified metric.
<code>value</code>	The feature value.
<code>weight</code>	The weights given to each feature value

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.IntFeature.is\_index****IntFeature.is\_index**

Flag indicating whether this feature is an index.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the feature is an index.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.IntFeature.name****IntFeature.name**

The name of the feature (this also serves as the features identifying key).

**Returns** str :

The name of the feature.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.IntFeature.retrieval\_algorithm****IntFeature.retrieval\_algorithm**

The internal indexing structure of the training data.

The retrieval algorithm is only relevant for NeighborSimilarity. Valid algorithms are:

**ball\_tree** A ball tree data structure is used for computational efficiency of the calculation of the distances between pairs of points.

**kd\_tree** A K-D Tree data structure is used for computational efficiency of the calculation of the distances between pairs of points.

**brute** The nearest neighbors are determined by brute-force computation of distances between all pairs of points in the dataset.

**auto** When auto is passed, the algorithm attempts to determine the best approach from the training data.

**Returns** str :

The retrieval algorithm.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.IntFeature.retrieval\_method****IntFeature.retrieval\_method**

The similarity model used during retrieval.

Valid models are:

**knn** A k-nearest-neighbor algorithm is used to determine similarity between cases (NeighborSimilarity). The value  $k$  must be specified.

**radius-n** Similarity between cases is determined by the nearest neighbors within a radius (NeighborSimilarity). The radius  $n$  must be specified.

**kmeans** Similarity is determined by a kmeans clustering algorithm (KMeansSimilarity).

**exact-match** Only exact matches are considered similar (ExactMatchSimilarity).

**cosine** A cosine similarity measure is used to determine similarity between cases (CosineSimilarity).

**Returns** str :

The retrieval method.

### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.IntFeature.retrieval_method_params`

`IntFeature.retrieval_method_params`

Parameters relevant to the specified retrieval method.

**Returns** dict :

Retrieval parameters.

### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.IntFeature.retrieval_metric`

`IntFeature.retrieval_metric`

The metric used to compute the distances between pairs of points.

The retrieval metric is only relevant for NeighborSimilarity. Refer to `sklearn.neighbors.DistanceMetric` for valid metric identifiers.

**Returns** str :

The retrieval metric.

### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.IntFeature.retrieval_metric_params`

`IntFeature.retrieval_metric_params`

Parameters relevant to the specified metric.

**Returns** dict :

The retrieval metric parameters.

### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.IntFeature.value`

`IntFeature.value`

The feature value.

**Returns** bool or string or int or float :

The feature value.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.IntFeature.weight****IntFeature.weight**

The weights given to each feature value

**Returns** float or list[float] :

The feature weights.

**Methods**[\*compare\*\(other\)](#)

Compare this feature to another feature.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.IntFeature.compare****IntFeature.compare (other)**

Compare this feature to another feature.

If the feature is represented by a list the similarity between the two features is determined by the Euclidean distance of the feature values.

**Parameters** other : Feature

The other feature to compare this feature to.

**Returns** float :

The similarity metric.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.FloatFeature****class** mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.**FloatFeature** (name, value, \*\*kwargs)Bases: [\*mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.Feature\*](#)

The float feature.

The float feature is either represented by a scalar or by a list of values.

**Parameters** name : str

The name of the feature (this also serves as the feature's identifying key).

**value** : bool or string or int or float or list

The feature value.

**Other Parameters** weight : float or list[float]

The weights given to each feature value.

**is\_index** : bool

Flag indicating whether this feature is an index.

**retrieval\_method** : strThe similarity model used for retrieval. Refer to [\*Feature.retrieval\\_method\*](#) for valid methods.**retrieval\_method\_params** : dict

Parameters relevant to the selected retrieval method.

**retrieval\_algorithm** : str

The internal indexing structure of the training data. Refer to [Feature.retrieval\\_method](#) for valid algorithms.

**retrieval\_metric** : str

The metric used to compute the distances between pairs of points. Refer to [sklearn.neighbors.DistanceMetric](#) for valid identifiers.

**retrieval\_metric\_params** : dict

Parameters relevant to the specified metric.

**Raises ValueError**

If not all feature values are of type *float*.

## Attributes

<code>is_index</code>	Flag indicating whether this feature is an index.
<code>name</code>	The name of the feature (this also serves as the features identifying key).
<code>retrieval_algorithm</code>	The internal indexing structure of the training data.
<code>retrieval_method</code>	The similarity model used during retrieval.
<code>retrieval_method_params</code>	Parameters relevant to the specified retrieval method.
<code>retrieval_metric</code>	The metric used to compute the distances between pairs of points.
<code>retrieval_metric_params</code>	Parameters relevant to the specified metric.
<code>value</code>	The feature value.
<code>weight</code>	The weights given to each feature value

### **mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.FloatFeature.is\_index**

`FloatFeature.is_index`

Flag indicating whether this feature is an index.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the feature is an index.

### **mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.FloatFeature.name**

`FloatFeature.name`

The name of the feature (this also serves as the features identifying key).

**Returns** str :

The name of the feature.

## `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.FloatFeature.retrieval_algorithm`

### `FloatFeature.retrieval_algorithm`

The internal indexing structure of the training data.

The retrieval algorithm is only relevant for `NeighborSimilarity`. Valid algorithms are:

**ball\_tree** A ball tree data structure is used for computational efficiency of the calculation of the distances between pairs of points.

**kd\_tree** A K-D Tree data structure is used for computational efficiency of the calculation of the distances between pairs of points.

**brute** The nearest neighbors are determined by brute-force computation of distances between all pairs of points in the dataset.

**auto** When `auto` is passed, the algorithm attempts to determine the best approach from the training data.

**Returns** str :

The retrieval algorithm.

## `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.FloatFeature.retrieval_method`

### `FloatFeature.retrieval_method`

The similarity model used during retrieval.

Valid models are:

**knn** A k-nearest-neighbor algorithm is used to determine similarity between cases (`NeighborSimilarity`). The value  $k$  must be specified.

**radius-n** Similarity between cases is determined by the nearest neighbors within a radius (`NeighborSimilarity`). The radius  $n$  must be specified.

**kmeans** Similarity is determined by a kmeans clustering algorithm (`KMeansSimilarity`).

**exact-match** Only exact matches are considered similar (`ExactMatchSimilarity`).

**cosine** A cosine similarity measure is used to determine similarity between cases (`CosineSimilarity`).

**Returns** str :

The retrieval method.

## `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.FloatFeature.retrieval_method_params`

### `FloatFeature.retrieval_method_params`

Parameters relevant to the specified retrieval method.

**Returns** dict :

Retrieval parameters.

### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.FloatFeature.retrieval_metric`

`FloatFeature.retrieval_metric`

The metric used to compute the distances between pairs of points.

The retrieval metric is only relevant for NeighborSimilarity. Refer to `sklearn.neighbors.DistanceMetric` for valid metric identifiers.

**Returns** str :

The retrieval metric.

### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.FloatFeature.retrieval_metric_params`

`FloatFeature.retrieval_metric_params`

Parameters relevant to the specified metric.

**Returns** dict :

The retrieval metric parameters.

### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.FloatFeature.value`

`FloatFeature.value`

The feature value.

**Returns** bool or string or int or float :

The feature value.

### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.FloatFeature.weight`

`FloatFeature.weight`

The weights given to each feature value

**Returns** float or list[float] :

The feature weights.

## Methods

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`compare(other)`

Compare this feature to another feature.

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### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.features.FloatFeature.compare`

`FloatFeature.compare(other)`

Compare this feature to another feature.

If the feature is represented by a list the similarity between the two features is determined by the Euclidean distance of the feature values.

**Parameters** other : Feature

The other feature to compare this feature to.

**Returns** float :  
The similarity metric.

## Similarity measures

<i>Stat</i>	The similarity statistics container.
<i>SimilarityFactory</i>	The similarity factory.
<i>ISimilarity</i>	The similarity model interface.
<i>NeighborSimilarity</i>	The neighborhood similarity model.
<i>KMeansSimilarity</i>	The KMeans similarity model.
<i>ExactMatchSimilarity</i>	The exact match similarity model.
<i>CosineSimilarity</i>	The cosine similarity model.

### mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.Stat

**class** mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.**Stat** (*case\_id*, *similarity=None*)  
Bases: *object*

The similarity statistics container.

The similarity statistics is a container to pass the calculated measure of similarity between the case identified by the case id and the query case between functions.

**Parameters** *case\_id* : int

The case's id.

**similarity** : float

The similarity measure.

#### Attributes

<i>case_id</i>	The case's id.
<i>similarity</i>	The similarity measure.

#### mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.Stat.case\_id

**Stat.case\_id**  
The case's id.

**Returns** int :

The case's id

#### mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.Stat.similarity

**Stat.similarity**  
The similarity measure.

**Returns** float :

The similarity measure.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.SimilarityFactory

**class** mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.**SimilarityFactory**  
Bases: `object`

The similarity factory.

An instance of a similarity model can be created by passing the similarity model type.

### Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity import SimilarityFactory  
>>> SimilarityFactory.create('float', **{})
```

### Methods

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<code>create(_type, **kwargs)</code>	Create a feature of the given type.
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## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.SimilarityFactory.create

**static** SimilarityFactory.**create** (\_type, \*\*kwargs)  
Create a feature of the given type.

**Parameters** `_type` : str

The feature type. Valid feature types are:

**knn** A k-nearest-neighbor algorithm is used to determine similarity between cases (*NeighborSimilarity*). The value `n_neighbors` must be specified.

**radius-n** Similarity between cases is determined by the nearest neighbors within a radius (*NeighborSimilarity*). The value `radius` must be specified.

**kmeans** Similarity is determined by a KMeans clustering algorithm (*KMeansSimilarity*). The value `n_clusters` must be specified.

**exact-match** Only exact matches are considered similar (*ExactMatchSimilarity*).

**cosine** A cosine similarity measure is used to determine similarity between cases (*CosineSimilarity*).

**kwargs** : dict, optional

Non-positional arguments to pass to the class of the given type for initialization.

**Returns** ISimilarity :

A similarity instance of the given type.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.ISimilarity

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**class** mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.**ISimilarity**  
Bases: `object`

The similarity model interface.

The similarity model keeps an internal indexing structure of the relevant case data to efficiently computing the similarity measure between data points.

### Notes

All similarity models must inherit from this class.

### Methods

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<code>build_indexing_structure(data, id_map)</code>	Build the indexing structure.
<code>compute_similarity(data_point)</code>	Computes the similarity.

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### mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.ISimilarity.build\_indexing\_structure

**ISimilarity.build\_indexing\_structure** (*data*, *id\_map*)  
Build the indexing structure.

**Parameters** `data` : ndarray[ndarray[float]]

The raw data points to be indexed.

`id_map` : dict[int, int]

The mapping from the data points to their case ids.

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

If the child class does not implement this function.

### mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.ISimilarity.compute\_similarity

**ISimilarity.compute\_similarity** (*data\_point*)  
Computes the similarity.

Computes the similarity between the data point and the data in the indexing structure returning the results in a collection of similarity statistics (*Stat*).

**Parameters** `data_point` : list[float]

The raw data point to compare against the data points stored in the indexing structure.

**Returns** list[Stat] :

A collection of similarity statistics.

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

If the child class does not implement this function.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.NeighborSimilarity

```
class mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.NeighborSimilarity(n_neighbors=None,
                                                               radius=None,          algorithm=None,
                                                               metric=None,          metric_params=None)
```

Bases: `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.ISimilarity`

The neighborhood similarity model.

The neighbor similarity model determines similarity between the data in the indexing structure and the query data by using the nearest neighbor algorithm `sklearn.neighbors.NearestNeighbors`.

Both a k-neighbors classifier and a radius-neighbor-classifier are implemented. To choose between the classifiers either `n_neighbors` or `radius` must be specified.

**Parameters** `n_neighbors` : int

The number of data points considered to be closest neighbors.

`radius` : int

The radius around the query data point, within which the data points are considered closest neighbors.

`algorithm` : str

The internal indexing structure of the training data. Defaults to *kd-tree*.

`metric` : str

The metric used to compute the distances between pairs of points. Refer to `sklearn.neighbors.DistanceMetric` for valid identifiers. Default is *euclidean*.

`metric_params` : dict

Parameters relevant to the specified metric.

**Raises UserWarning :**

If the either both or none of `n_neighbors` and `radius` are given.

**See also:**

`sklearn.neighbors.KNeighborsClassifier`,  
`RadiusNeighborsClassifier`

`sklearn.neighbors.`

## Methods

<code>build_indexing_structure(data, id_map)</code>	Build the indexing structure.
<code>compute_similarity(data_point)</code>	Computes the similarity.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.NeighborSimilarity.build\_indexing\_structure

`NeighborSimilarity.build_indexing_structure(data, id_map)`

Build the indexing structure.

Build the indexing structure by fitting the data according to the specified algorithm.

**Parameters** `data` : ndarray[ndarray[float]]

The raw data points to be indexed.

**id\_map** : dict[int, int]

The mapping from the data points to their case ids.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.NeighborSimilarity.compute\_similarity

**NeighborSimilarity.compute\_similarity**(*data\_point*)

Computes the similarity.

Computes the similarity between the data point and the data in the indexing structure using the `sklearn.neighbors.NearestNeighbors` algorithm. The results are returned in a collection of similarity statistics (*Stat*).

**Parameters** **data\_point** : list[float]

The raw data point to compare against the data points stored in the indexing structure.

**Returns** list[Stat] :

A collection of similarity statistics.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.KMeansSimilarity

**class** mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.KMeansSimilarity(*n\_cluster=None*)

Bases: `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.ISimilarity`

The KMeans similarity model.

The KMeans similarity model determines similarity between the data in the indexing structure and the query data by using the `sklearn.cluster.KMeans` algorithm.

**Parameters** **n\_cluster** : int

The number of clusters to fit the raw data in.

### Methods

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<code>build_indexing_structure</code> ( <i>data, id_map</i> )	Build the indexing structure.
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<code>compute_similarity</code> ( <i>data_point</i> )	Computes the similarity.
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## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.KMeansSimilarity.build\_indexing\_structure

KMeansSimilarity.**build\_indexing\_structure**(*data, id\_map*)

Build the indexing structure.

Build the indexing structure by fitting the data into *n\_cluster* clusters.

**Parameters** **data** : ndarray[ndarray[float]]

The raw data points to be indexed.

**id\_map** : dict[int, int]

The mapping from the data points to their case ids.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.KMeansSimilarity.compute\_similarity

KMeansSimilarity.**compute\_similarity**(*data\_point*)

Computes the similarity.

Computes the similarity between the data point and the data in the indexing structure using the `sklearn.cluster.KMeans` clustering algorithm. The results are returned in a collection of similarity statistics (*Stat*).

**Parameters** `data_point` : list[float]

The raw data point to compare against the data points stored in the indexing structure.

**Returns** list[Stat] :

A collection of similarity statistics.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.ExactMatchSimilarity

**class** mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.**ExactMatchSimilarity**(\*\*kwargs)

Bases: `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.ISimilarity`

The exact match similarity model.

The exact match similarity model considered only exact matches between the data in the indexing structure and the query data as similar.

### Methods

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<code>build_indexing_structure</code> ( <i>data</i> , <i>id_map</i> )	Build the indexing structure.
<code>compute_similarity</code> ( <i>data_point</i> )	Computes the similarity.

---

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.ExactMatchSimilarity.build\_indexing\_structure

ExactMatchSimilarity.**build\_indexing\_structure**(*data*, *id\_map*)

Build the indexing structure.

To determine exact matches a brute-force algorithm is used thus the data remains as is and no special indexing structure is implemented.

**Parameters** `data` : ndarray[ndarray[float]]

The raw data points to be indexed.

`id_map` : dict[int, int]

The mapping from the data points to their case ids.

`.. todo::`

It might be worth looking into a more efficient way of determining exact matches.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.ExactMatchSimilarity.compute\_similarity**

`ExactMatchSimilarity.compute_similarity(data_point)`  
Computes the similarity.

Computes the similarity between the data point and the data in the indexing structure identifying exact matches. The results are returned in a collection of similarity statistics (`Stat`).

**Parameters** `data_point` : list[float]

The raw data point to compare against the data points stored in the indexing structure.

**Returns** list[Stat] :

A collection of similarity statistics.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.CosineSimilarity**

`class mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.CosineSimilarity(**kwargs)`  
Bases: `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.ISimilarity`

The cosine similarity model.

Cosine similarity is a measure of similarity between two vectors of an inner product space that measures the cosine of the angle between them. The cosine of 0 degree is 1, and it is less than 1 for any other angle. It is thus a judgement of orientation and not magnitude: tow vectors with the same orientation have a cosine similarity of 1, two vectors at 90 degrees have a similarity of 0, and two vectors diametrically opposed have a similarity of -1, independent of their magnitude [R1].

The cosine model employs the `cosine_similarity` function from the `sklearn.metrics.pairwise` module to determine similarity.

**See also:**

[Machine Learning::Cosine Similarity for Vector Space Models \(Part III\)](#)

**References**

[R1]

**Methods**

<code>build_indexing_structure(data, id_map)</code>	Build the indexing structure.
<code>compute_similarity(data_point)</code>	Computes the similarity.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.CosineSimilarity.build\_indexing\_structure**

`CosineSimilarity.build_indexing_structure(data, id_map)`  
Build the indexing structure.

The `cosine_similarity` function from `sklearn.metrics.pairwise` takes the raw data as input. Thus the data remains as is and no special indexing structure is implemented.

**Parameters** `data` : ndarray[ndarray[float]]

The raw data points to be indexed.

**id\_map** : dict[int, int]

The mapping from the data points to their case ids.

### mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.similarity.CosineSimilarity.compute\_similarity

`CosineSimilarity.compute_similarity(data_point)`

Computes the similarity.

Computes the similarity between the data point and the data in the indexing structure using the function `cosine_similarity` from `sklearn.metrics.pairwise`.

The resulting similarity ranges from -1 meaning exactly opposite, to 1 meaning exactly the same, with 0 indicating orthogonality (decorrelation), and in-between values indicating intermediate similarity or dissimilarity. The results are returned in a collection of similarity statistics (`Stat`).

**Parameters** `data_point` : list[float]

The raw data point to compare against the data points stored in the indexing structure.

**Returns** list[Stat] :

A collection of similarity statistics.

## Problem solving methods

<code>CBRMethodFactory</code>	The case base reasoning factory.
<code>ICBRMethod</code>	The method interface.
<code>IReuseMethod</code>	The reuse method interface.
<code>IRevisionMethod</code>	The revision method interface.
<code>IRetentionMethod</code>	The retention method interface.
<code>DefaultReuseMethod</code>	The default reuse method implementation.
<code>DefaultRevisionMethod</code>	The default revision method implementation called from the case base.
<code>DefaultRetentionMethod</code>	The default retention method implementation called from the case base.

### mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.CBRMethodFactory

`class mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.CBRMethodFactory`

Bases: `object`

The case base reasoning factory.

An instance of a case base reasoning method can be created by passing the case base reasoning method type. Case base reasoning methods are used to implement task specific reuse, revision, and retention.

## Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods import CBRMethodFactory
>>> CBRMethodFactory.create('defaultreusemethod', **{})
```

## Methods

---

<code>create(_type, *args, **kwargs)</code>	Create an case base reasoning method of the given type.
---	---

---

### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.CBRMethodFactory.create`

**static** `CBRMethodFactory.create(_type, *args, **kwargs)`

Create an case base reasoning method of the given type.

**\_type** [str] The case base reasoning method type. The method type should be equal to the class name of the method.

**args** [tuple, optional] Positional arguments passed to the class of the given type for initialization.

**kwargs** [dict, optional] Non-positional arguments passed to the class of the given type for initialization.

**Returns** `ICBRMethod`:

A case base method instance of the given type.

### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.ICBRMethod`

**class** `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.ICBRMethod`

Bases: `object`

The method interface.

This is the interface for reuse, revision, and retention methods and handles registration of all subclasses.

It uses the `RegistryInterface` ensuring that all subclasses are registered. Therefore, new specialty case base reasoning method classes can be defined and are recognized by the case base reasoning engine.

## Notes

All case base reasoning method must inherit from this class.

## Methods

---

<code>execute(case, case_matches, **kwargs)</code>	Execute reuse step.
<code>plot_data(case, case_matches, **kwargs)</code>	Plot the data.

---

### `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.ICBRMethod.execute`

`ICBRMethod.execute(case, case_matches, **kwargs)`

Execute reuse step.

**Parameters** `case` : Case

The query case.

`case_matches` : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The solution identified through the similarity measure.

**kwargs** : dict, optional

Non-positional arguments passed to the class of the given type for initialization.

**Raises NotImplementedError**

If the child class does not implement this function.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.ICBRMethod.plot\_data

**ICBRMethod.plot\_data(case, case\_matches, \*\*kwargs)**

Plot the data.

**Parameters case** : Case

The query case.

**case\_matches** : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The solution identified through the similarity measure.

**kwargs** : dict, optional

Non-positional arguments passed to the class of the given type for initialization.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.IReuseMethod

**class mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.IReuseMethod**

Bases: [mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.ICBRMethod](#)

The reuse method interface.

The solutions of the best (or set of best) retrieved cases are used to construct the solution for the query case; new generalizations and specializations may occur as a consequence of the solution transformation.

### Notes

All reuse method implementations must inherit from this class.

### Methods

---

**execute(case, case\_matches[, fn\_retrieve])** Execute reuse step.

---

**plot\_data(case, case\_matches[, revised\_matches])** Plot the data.

---

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.IReuseMethod.execute

**IReuseMethod.execute(case, case\_matches, fn\_retrieve=None)**

Execute reuse step.

**Parameters case** : Case

The query case.

**case\_matches** : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The solution identified through the similarity measure.

**fn\_retrieve** : callable

Callback for accessing the case base's 'retrieval' method.

**Returns** dict[int, CaseMatch] :

The revised solution.

**Raises NotImplementedError**

If the child class does not implement this function.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.IReuseMethod.plot\_data

IReuseMethod.**plot\_data** (case, case\_matches, revised\_matches=None)

Plot the data.

**Parameters** **case** : Case

The query case.

**case\_matches** : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The solution identified through the similarity measure.

**revised\_matches** : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The revised solution.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.IRevisionMethod

**class** mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.IRevisionMethod

Bases: *mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.ICBRMethod*

The revision method interface.

The solutions provided by the query case is evaluated and information about whether the solution has or has not provided a desired outcome is gathered.

### Notes

All revision method implementations must inherit from this class.

### Methods

---

<i>execute</i> (case, case_matches, **kwargs)	Execute the revision step.
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<i>plot_data</i> (case, case_matches, **kwargs)	Plot the data.
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## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.IRevisionMethod.execute

IRevisionMethod.**execute** (case, case\_matches, \*\*kwargs)

Execute the revision step.

**Parameters** **case** : Case

The query case.

**case\_matches** : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The solution identified through the similarity measure.

**Returns** dict[int, CaseMatch] :

The corrected solution.

**Raises NotImplementedError**

If the child class does not implement this function.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.IRevisionMethod.plot\_data

IRevisionMethod.**plot\_data** (case, case\_matches, \*\*kwargs)

Plot the data.

**Parameters** **case** : Case

The query case.

**case\_matches** : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The solution identified through the similarity measure.

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.IRetentionMethod

**class** mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.IRetentionMethod

Bases: mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.ICBRMethod

The retention method interface.

When the new problem-solving experience can be stored or not stored in memory, depending on the revision outcomes and the case base reasoning policy regarding case retention.

### Notes

All retention method implementations must inherit from this class.

### Methods

---

<code>execute(case, case_matches[, fn_add])</code>	Execute retention step.
<code>plot_data(case, case_matches, **kwargs)</code>	Plot the data.

---

## mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.IRetentionMethod.execute

IRetentionMethod.**execute** (case, case\_matches, fn\_add=None)

Execute retention step.

**Parameters** **case** : Case

The query case.

**case\_matches** : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The solution identified through the similarity measure.

**fn\_add** : callable

Callback for accessing the case base's 'add' method.

**Raises NotImplementedError**

If the child class does not implement this function.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.IRetentionMethod.plot\_data****IRetentionMethod.plot\_data**(*case*, *case\_matches*, *\*\*kwargs*)  
Plot the data.**Parameters** *case* : Case

The query case.

*case\_matches* : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The solution identified through the similarity measure.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.DefaultReuseMethod****class** mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.**DefaultReuseMethod**  
Bases: *mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.IReuseMethod*

The default reuse method implementation.

The solutions of the best (or set of best) retrieved cases are used to construct the solution for the query case; new generalizations and specializations may occur as a consequence of the solution transformation.

**Notes**

The default reuse method does not perform any solution transformations.

**Methods**


---

<i>execute</i> ( <i>case</i> , <i>case_matches</i> [, <i>fn_retrieve</i> ])	Execute reuse step.
<i>plot_data</i> ( <i>case</i> , <i>case_matches</i> [, <i>revised_matches</i> ])	Plot the data.

---

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.DefaultReuseMethod.execute****DefaultReuseMethod.execute**(*case*, *case\_matches*, *fn\_retrieve=None*)  
Execute reuse step.**Parameters** *case* : Case

The query case.

*case\_matches* : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The solution identified through the similarity measure.

**fn\_retrieve** : callable

Callback for accessing the case base's 'retrieval' method.

**Returns** dict[int, CaseMatch] :

The revised solution.

### mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.DefaultReuseMethod.plot\_data

DefaultReuseMethod.**plot\_data**(case, case\_matches, revised\_matches=None)

Plot the data.

**Parameters** `case` : Case

The query case.

`case_matches` : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The solution identified through the similarity measure.

`revised_matches` : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The revised solution.

### mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.DefaultRevisionMethod

**class** mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.**DefaultRevisionMethod**

Bases: [mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.IRevisionMethod](#)

The default revision method implementation called from the case base.

The solutions provided by the query case is evaluated and information about whether the solution has or has not provided a desired outcome is gathered.

#### Notes

The default revision method returns the original solution without making any modifications.

#### Methods

<code>execute(case, case_matches, **kwargs)</code>	Execute the revision step.
<code>plot_data(case, case_matches, **kwargs)</code>	Plot the data.

### mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.DefaultRevisionMethod.execute

DefaultRevisionMethod.**execute**(case, case\_matches, \*\*kwargs)

Execute the revision step.

**Parameters** `case` : Case

The query case.

`case_matches` : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The solution identified through the similarity measure.

**Returns** dict[int, CaseMatch] :

The corrected solution.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.DefaultRevisionMethod.plot\_data**

```
DefaultRevisionMethod.plot_data(case, case_matches, **kwargs)
    Plot the data.
```

**Parameters** `case` : Case

The query case.

`case_matches` : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The solution identified through the similarity measure.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.DefaultRetentionMethod**

```
class mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.DefaultRetentionMethod(max_error=None)
Bases: mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.IRetentionMethod
```

The default retention method implementation called from the case base.

When the new problem-solving experience can be stored or not stored in memory, depending on the revision outcomes and the case base reasoning policy regarding case retention.

**Parameters** `max_error` : float

The maximum permitted error.

**Notes**

The default retention method adds the new experience only if the query case is within the maximum permitted error of the most similar solution case:

$$d(\text{case}, \text{solution}[0]) < \text{max\_error}.$$

**Methods**


---

<code>execute(case, case_matches[, fn_add])</code>	Execute retention step.
<code>plot_data(case, case_matches, **kwargs)</code>	Plot the data.

---

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.DefaultRetentionMethod.execute**

```
DefaultRetentionMethod.execute(case, case_matches, fn_add=None)
    Execute retention step.
```

**Parameters** `case` : Case

The query case.

`case_matches` : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The solution identified through the similarity measure.

`fn_add` : callable

Callback for accessing the case base's 'add' method.

**mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.DefaultRetentionMethod.plot\_data**

DefaultRetentionMethod.**plot\_data** (*case*, *case\_matches*, *\*\*kwargs*)  
Plot the data.

**Parameters** *case* : Case

The query case.

*case\_matches* : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The solution identified through the similarity measure.

# CHAPTER 15

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## Learning algorithms (mlpy.learners)

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<i>LearnerFactory</i>	The learner factory.
<i>ILearner</i>	The learner interface.

### mlpy.learners.LearnerFactory

```
class mlpy.learners.LearnerFactory
    Bases: object
```

The learner factory.

An instance of a learner can be created by passing the learner type.

#### Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.learners import LearnerFactory
>>> q0 = LearnerFactory.create('qlearner')
```

This creates a *QLearnert* instance with default parameters.

```
>>> q1 = LearnerFactory.create('qlearner', max_steps=10)
```

This creates a *QLearnert* instance with max\_steps set to 10.

#### Methods

<i>create(_type, *args, **kwargs)</i>	Create an learner of the given type.
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## mlpy.learners.LearnerFactory.create

```
static LearnerFactory.create(_type, *args, **kwargs)
    Create an learner of the given type.
```

A new learner of the given type is created. If *progress* is among the keywords in *kwargs*, the factory attempts to recover the learner from the learner state saved to file *filename*. If the factory fails to load the learners state from file, a new learner is created.

**Parameters** `_type` : str

The learner type. Valid learner types:

**qlearner** Performs q-learning, a reinforcement learning variant. A *QLearner* module is created.

**rldtlearner** The learner performs reinforcement learning with decision trees (RLDT), a method introduced by Hester, Quinlan, and Stone which builds a generalized model for the transitions and rewards of the environment. A *RLDTLearner* module is created.

**apprenticeshiplearner** The learner performs apprenticeship learning via inverse reinforcement learning, a method introduced by Abbeel and Ng which strives to imitate the demonstrations given by an expert. A *ApprenticeshipLearner* module is create.

**incrapprenticeshiplearner** The learner incrementally performs apprenticeship learning via inverse reinforcement learning. Inverse reinforcement learning assumes knowledge of the underlying model. However, this is not always feasible. The incremental apprenticeship learner updates its model after every iteration by executing the current policy. A *IncrApprenticeshipLearner* module is create.

`args` : tuple, optional

Positional arguments passed to the class of the given type for initialization.

`kwargs` : dict, optional

Non-positional arguments passed to the class of the given type for initialization.

**Returns** ILearner :

A learner instance of the given type.

## mlpy.learners.ILearner

```
class mlpy.learners.ILearner(filename=None)
Bases: mlpy.modules.UniqueModule
```

The learner interface.

Both online and offline learner inherit from this interface.

**Parameters** `filename` : str, optional

The name of the file to save the learner state to after each iteration. If None is given, the learner state is not saved. Default is None.

## Attributes

<code>mid</code>	The module's unique identifier.
<code>type</code>	The type of the learner (i.e., <i>online</i> and <i>offline</i> ).

### mlpy.learners.ILearner.mid

#### ILearner.`mid`

The module's unique identifier.

#### Returns str :

The module's unique identifier

### mlpy.learners.ILearner.type

#### ILearner.`type`

The type of the learner (i.e., *online* and *offline*).

During online learning the learning is performed during the episode or iteration, while offline learner do not perform the learning step until the end of the episode or iteration.

This property must be overwritten by its deriving class.

#### Returns str :

The type. Values can be either *online* or *offline*.

#### Raises NotImplementedError

If the child class does not implement this function.

## Methods

<code>choose_action(state)</code>	Choose the next action
<code>execute(experience)</code>	Execute learning specific updates.
<code>learn()</code>	Learn a policy from the experience.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset reinforcement learner.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.

### mlpy.learners.ILearner.choose\_action

#### ILearner.`choose_action(state)`

Choose the next action

The next action is chosen according to the current policy and the selected exploration strategy.

#### Parameters state : State

The current state.

#### Returns Action :

The chosen action.

**Raises NotImplementedError**

If the child class does not implement this function.

## mlpy.learners.ILearner.execute

`ILearner.execute(experience)`

Execute learning specific updates.

Learning specific updates are performed, e.g. model updates.

**Parameters experience : Experience**

The actor's current experience consisting of previous state, the action performed in that state, the current state, and the reward awarded.

**Raises NotImplementedError**

If the child class does not implement this function.

## mlpy.learners.ILearner.learn

`ILearner.learn()`

Learn a policy from the experience.

Perform the learning step to derive a new policy taking the latest experience into account.

**Parameters experience : Experience**

The agent's experience consisting of the previous state, the action performed in that state, the current state and the reward awarded.

**Raises NotImplementedError**

If the child class does not implement this function.

## mlpy.learners.ILearner.load

`ILearner.load(filename)`

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters filename : str**

The name of the file to load from.

### Notes

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

## mlpy.learners.ILearner.reset

`ILearner.reset(t, **kwargs)`

Reset reinforcement learner.

Reset the learner before start of a new episode or iteration and save the state of the learner to file.

**Parameters t : float**

The current time (sec)

**kwargs** : dict, optional

Non-positional parameters, optional.

## mlpy.learners.ILearner.save

`ILearner.save(filename)`

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to save to.

# Online learners (mlpy.learners.online)

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`IOnlineLearner`

The online learner base class.

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## mlpy.learners.online.IOnlineLearner

`class mlpy.learners.online.IOnlineLearner(filename=None)`

Bases: `mlpy.learners.ILearner`

The online learner base class.

The learning step is performed during the episode or iteration after each step.

**Parameters** `filename` : str, optional

The name of the file to save the learner state to after each iteration. If None is given, the learner state is not saved. Default is None.

### Attributes

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`mid`

The module's unique identifier.

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`type`

This learner is of type *online*.

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### mlpy.learners.online.IOnlineLearner.mid

`IOnlineLearner.mid`

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

### mlpy.learners.online.IOnlineLearner.type

`IOnlineLearner.type`

This learner is of type *online*.

**Returns** str :

The learner type

**Methods**

<code>choose_action(state)</code>	Choose the next action
<code>execute(experience)</code>	Execute learning specific updates.
<code>learn()</code>	Learn a policy from the experience.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset reinforcement learner.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.

**mipy.learners.online.IOnlineLearner.choose\_action**

IOnlineLearner.**choose\_action** (*state*)

Choose the next action

The next action is chosen according to the current policy and the selected exploration strategy.

**Parameters** *state* : State

The current state.

**Returns** Action :

The chosen action.

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

If the child class does not implement this function.

**mipy.learners.online.IOnlineLearner.execute**

IOnlineLearner.**execute** (*experience*)

Execute learning specific updates.

Learning specific updates are performed, e.g. model updates.

**Parameters** *experience* : Experience

The actor's current experience consisting of previous state, the action performed in that state, the current state, and the reward awarded.

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

If the child class does not implement this function.

**mipy.learners.online.IOnlineLearner.learn**

IOnlineLearner.**learn** ()

Learn a policy from the experience.

Perform the learning step to derive a new policy taking the latest experience into account.

**Parameters** *experience* : Experience

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The agent's experience consisting of the previous state, the action performed in that state, the current state and the reward awarded.

**Raises `NotImplementedError`**

If the child class does not implement this function.

### `mlpy.learners.online.IOnlineLearner.load`

`IOnlineLearner.load(filename)`

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters `filename` : str**

The name of the file to load from.

#### Notes

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

### `mlpy.learners.online.IOnlineLearner.reset`

`IOnlineLearner.reset(t, **kwargs)`

Reset reinforcement learner.

Reset the learner before start of a new episode or iteration and save the state of the learner to file.

**Parameters `t` : float**

The current time (sec)

**kwargs** : dict, optional

Non-positional parameters, optional.

### `mlpy.learners.online.IOnlineLearner.save`

`IOnlineLearner.save(filename)`

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters `filename` : str**

The name of the file to save to.

## Reinforcement learning

<code>RLLearner</code>	The reinforcement learning learner interface.
<code>QLearner</code>	Performs q-learning.
<code>RLDTLearner</code>	Performs reinforcement learning using decision trees.

### `mlpy.learners.online.rl.RLLearner`

`class mlpy.learners.online.rl.RLLearner(max_steps=None, filename=None, profile=False)`

Bases: `mlpy.learners.online.IOnlineLearner`

The reinforcement learning learner interface.

**Parameters** `max_steps` : int, optional

The maximum number of steps in an iteration. Default is 100.

`filename` : str, optional

The name of the file to save the learner state to after each iteration. If None is given, the learner state is not saved. Default is None.

`profile` : bool, optional

Turn on profiling at which point profiling data is collected and saved to a text file. Default is False.

## Attributes

<code>mid</code>	The module's unique identifier.
<code>type</code>	This learner is of type <i>online</i> .

### **mipy.learners.online.rl.RLLearner.mid**

`RLLearner.mid`

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

### **mipy.learners.online.rl.RLLearner.type**

`RLLearner.type`

This learner is of type *online*.

**Returns** str :

The learner type

## Methods

<code>choose_action(state)</code>	Choose the next action
<code>execute(experience)</code>	Execute learning specific updates.
<code>learn([experience])</code>	Learn a policy from the experience.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset reinforcement learner.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the learners state.

### **mipy.learners.online.rl.RLLearner.choose\_action**

`RLLearner.choose_action(state)`

Choose the next action

The next action is chosen according to the current policy and the selected exploration strategy.

**Parameters** `state` : State

The current state.

**Returns** Action :

The chosen action.

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

If the child class does not implement this function.

## **mlpy.learners.online.rl.RLLearner.execute**

`RLLearner.execute` (*experience*)

Execute learning specific updates.

Learning specific updates are performed, e.g. model updates.

**Parameters** `experience` : Experience

The actor's current experience consisting of previous state, the action performed in that state, the current state, and the reward awarded.

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

If the child class does not implement this function.

## **mlpy.learners.online.rl.RLLearner.learn**

`RLLearner.learn` (*experience=None*)

Learn a policy from the experience.

**Parameters** `experience` : Experience

The agent's experience consisting of the previous state, the action performed in that state, the current state and the reward awarded.

## **mlpy.learners.online.rl.RLLearner.load**

`RLLearner.load` (*filename*)

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to load from.

### **Notes**

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

## `mlpy.learners.online.rl.RLLearner.reset`

`RLLearner.reset(t, **kwargs)`

Reset reinforcement learner.

**Parameters** `t` : float

The current time (sec)

`kwargs` : dict, optional

Non-positional parameters, optional.

## `mlpy.learners.online.rl.RLLearner.save`

`RLLearner.save(filename)`

Save the learners state.

If profiling is turned on, profile information is saved to a *txt* file with the same name.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The filename to save the information to.

## `mlpy.learners.online.rl.QLearner`

`class mlpy.learners.online.rl.QLearner(explorer=None, max_steps=None, alpha=None, gamma=None, filename=None, profile=False)`

Bases: `mlpy.learners.online.rl.RLLearner`

Performs q-learning.

Q-learning is a reinforcement learning variant.

**Parameters** `explorer` : Explorer, optional

The exploration strategy used. Default is no exploration.

`max_steps` : int, optional

The maximum number of steps in an iteration. Default is 100

`alpha` : float, optional

The learning rate. Default is 0.5.

`gamma` : float, optional

The discounting factor. Default is 0.9.

`filename` : str, optional

The name of the file to save the learner state to after each iteration. If None is given, the learner state is not saved. Default is None.

`profile` : bool, optional

Turn on profiling at which point profiling data is collected and saved to a text file. Default is False.

## Attributes

<code>mid</code>	The module's unique identifier.
<code>type</code>	This learner is of type <i>online</i> .

### **mlpy.learners.online.rl.QLearner.mid**

`QLearner.mid`

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

### **mlpy.learners.online.rl.QLearner.type**

`QLearner.type`

This learner is of type *online*.

**Returns** str :

The learner type

## Methods

<code>choose_action(state)</code>	Choose the next action
<code>execute(experience)</code>	Execute learning specific updates.
<code>learn([experience])</code>	Learn a policy from the experience.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset reinforcement learner.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the learners state.

### **mlpy.learners.online.rl.QLearner.choose\_action**

`QLearner.choose_action(state)`

Choose the next action

The next action is chosen according to the current policy and the selected exploration strategy.

**Parameters** state : State

The current state.

**Returns** Action :

The chosen action.

### **mlpy.learners.online.rl.QLearner.execute**

`QLearner.execute(experience)`

Execute learning specific updates.

Learning specific updates are performed, e.g. model updates.

**Parameters** experience : Experience

The actor's current experience consisting of previous state, the action performed in that state, the current state, and the reward awarded.

### **mlpy.learners.online.rl.QLearner.learn**

QLearner.**learn** (*experience=None*)

Learn a policy from the experience.

By updating the Q table according to the experience a policy is learned.

**Parameters** **experience** : Experience

The actor's current experience consisting of previous state, the action performed in that state, the current state, and the reward awarded.

### **mlpy.learners.online.rl.QLearner.load**

QLearner.**load** (*filename*)

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** **filename** : str

The name of the file to load from.

### **Notes**

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

### **mlpy.learners.online.rl.QLearner.reset**

QLearner.**reset** (*t, \*\*kwargs*)

Reset reinforcement learner.

**Parameters** **t** : float

The current time (sec)

**kwargs** : dict, optional

Non-positional parameters, optional.

### **mlpy.learners.online.rl.QLearner.save**

QLearner.**save** (*filename*)

Save the learners state.

If profiling is turned on, profile information is saved to a *txt* file with the same name.

**Parameters** **filename** : str

The filename to save the information to.

## mlpy.learners.online.rl.RLDTLearner

**class** `mlpy.learners.online.rl.RLDTLearner` (`planner, max_steps=None, filename=None, profile=False`)

Bases: `mlpy.learners.online.rl.RLLearner`

Performs reinforcement learning using decision trees.

Reinforcement learning using decision trees (RL-DT) use decision trees to build the transition and reward models as described by Todd Hester and Peter Stone [[R3](#)].

**Parameters** `planner` : IPlanner

The planner to use to determine the best action.

`max_steps` : int, optional

The maximum number of steps in an iteration. Default is 100.

`filename` : str, optional

The name of the file to save the learner state to after each iteration. If None is given, the learner state is not saved. Default is None.

`profile` : bool, optional

Turn on profiling at which point profiling data is collected and saved to a text file. Default is False.

## References

[[R3](#)]

## Attributes

<code>mid</code>	The module's unique identifier.
<code>type</code>	This learner is of type <i>online</i> .

### mlpy.learners.online.rl.RLDTLearner.mid

`RLDTLearner.mid`

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

### mlpy.learners.online.rl.RLDTLearner.type

`RLDTLearner.type`

This learner is of type *online*.

**Returns** str :

The learner type

## Methods

<code>choose_action(state)</code>	Choose the next action
<code>execute(experience)</code>	Execute learning specific updates.
<code>learn([experience])</code>	Learn a policy from the experience.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset reinforcement learner.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the learners state.

### mlpy.learners.online.rl.RLDTLearner.choose\_action

`RLDTLearner.choose_action(state)`

Choose the next action

The next action is chosen according to the current policy and the selected exploration strategy.

**Parameters** `state` : State

The current state.

**Returns** Action :

The chosen action.

### mlpy.learners.online.rl.RLDTLearner.execute

`RLDTLearner.execute(experience)`

Execute learning specific updates.

Learning specific updates are performed, e.g. model updates.

**Parameters** `experience` : Experience

The actor's current experience consisting of previous state, the action performed in that state, the current state, and the reward awarded.

### mlpy.learners.online.rl.RLDTLearner.learn

`RLDTLearner.learn(experience=None)`

Learn a policy from the experience.

A policy is learned from the experience by building the MDP model.

**Parameters** `experience` : Experience

The actor's current experience consisting of previous state, the action performed in that state, the current state, and the reward awarded.

### mlpy.learners.online.rl.RLDTLearner.load

`RLDTLearner.load(filename)`

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to load from.

## Notes

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

### `mlpy.learners.online.rl.RLDTLearner.reset`

`RLDTLearner.reset (t, **kwargs)`

Reset reinforcement learner.

**Parameters** `t` : float

The current time (sec)

`kwargs` : dict, optional

Non-positional parameters, optional.

### `mlpy.learners.online.rl.RLDTLearner.save`

`RLDTLearner.save (filename)`

Save the learners state.

If profiling is turned on, profile information is saved to a `txt` file with the same name.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The filename to save the information to.

## Offline learners (`mlpy.learners.offline`)

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`IOfflineLearner`

The offline learner base class.

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### `mlpy.learners.offline.IOfflineLearner`

`class mlpy.learners.offline.IOfflineLearner (filename=None)`

Bases: `mlpy.learners.ILearner`

The offline learner base class.

In offline learning the learning step is performed at the end of the episode or iteration.

**Parameters** `filename` : str, optional

The name of the file to save the learner state to after each iteration. If None is given, the learner state is not saved. Default is None.

### Attributes

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`mid`

The module's unique identifier.

`type`

This learner is of type `offline`.

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**mlpy.learners.offline.IOfflineLearner.mid****IOfflineLearner.mid**

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

**mlpy.learners.offline.IOfflineLearner.type****IOfflineLearner.type**This learner is of type *offline*.**Returns** str :

The learner type

**Methods**

<code>choose_action(state)</code>	Choose the next action
<code>execute(experience)</code>	Execute learning specific updates.
<code>learn()</code>	Learn a policy from the experience.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset reinforcement learner.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.

**mlpy.learners.offline.IOfflineLearner.choose\_action****IOfflineLearner.choose\_action (state)**

Choose the next action

The next action is chosen according to the current policy and the selected exploration strategy.

**Parameters** state : State

The current state.

**Returns** Action :

The chosen action.

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

If the child class does not implement this function.

**mlpy.learners.offline.IOfflineLearner.execute****IOfflineLearner.execute (experience)**

Execute learning specific updates.

Learning specific updates are performed, e.g. model updates.

**Parameters** experience : Experience

The actor's current experience consisting of previous state, the action performed in that state, the current state, and the reward awarded.

**Raises NotImplementedError**

If the child class does not implement this function.

**mipy.learners.offline.IOfflineLearner.learn**

**IOfflineLearner.learn()**

Learn a policy from the experience.

Perform the learning step to derive a new policy taking the latest experience into account.

**Parameters experience : Experience**

The agent's experience consisting of the previous state, the action performed in that state, the current state and the reward awarded.

**Raises NotImplementedError**

If the child class does not implement this function.

**mipy.learners.offline.IOfflineLearner.load**

**IOfflineLearner.load(filename)**

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters filename : str**

The name of the file to load from.

**Notes**

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

**mipy.learners.offline.IOfflineLearner.reset**

**IOfflineLearner.reset(t, \*\*kwargs)**

Reset reinforcement learner.

Reset the learner before start of a new episode or iteration and save the state of the learner to file.

**Parameters t : float**

The current time (sec)

**kwargs : dict, optional**

Non-positional parameters, optional.

**mipy.learners.offline.IOfflineLearner.save**

**IOfflineLearner.save(filename)**

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters filename : str**

The name of the file to save to.

## Inverse reinforcement learning

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<code>ApprenticeshipLearner</code>	The apprenticeship learner.
<code>IncrApprenticeshipLearner</code>	Incremental apprenticeship learner.

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### `mlpy.learners.offline.irl.ApprenticeshipLearner`

```
class mlpy.learners.offline.irl.ApprenticeshipLearner(obs, planner, method=None,
                                         max_iter=None, thresh=None,
                                         gamma=None, nsamples=None,
                                         max_steps=None, file-
                                         name=None, **kwargs)
```

Bases: `mlpy.learners.offline.IOfflineLearner`

The apprenticeship learner.

The apprenticeship learner is an inverse reinforcement learner, a method introduced by Abbeel and Ng [R2] which strives to imitate the demonstrations given by an expert.

**Parameters** `obs` : array\_like, shape ( $n, nfeatures, ni$ )

List of trajectories provided by demonstrator, which the learner is trying to emulate, where  $n$  is the number of sequences,  $ni$  is the length of the  $i$ \_th demonstration, and each demonstration has  $nfeatures$  features.

`planner` : IPlanner

The planner to use to determine the best action.

`method` : {‘projection’, ‘maxmargin’}, optional

The IRL method to employ. Default is *projection*.

`max_iter` : int, optional

The maximum number of iteration after which learning will be terminated. It is assumed that a policy close enough to the experts demonstrations was found. Default is *inf*.

`thresh` : float, optional

The learning is considered having converged to the demonstrations once the threshold has been reach. Default is *eps*.

`gamma` : float, optional

The discount factor. Default is 0.9.

`nsamples` : int, optional

The number of samples taken during Monte Carlo sampling. Default is 100.

`max_steps` : int, optional

The maximum number of steps in an iteration (during MonteCarlo sampling). Default is 100.

`filename` : str, optional

The name of the file to save the learner state to after each iteration. If None is given, the learner state is not saved. Default is None.

**Other Parameters** `mix_policies` : bool

Whether to create a new policy by mixing from policies seen so far or by considering the best valued action. Default is False.

**rescale** : bool

If set to True, the feature expectations are rescaled to be between 0 and 1. Default is False.

**visualize** : bool

Visualize each iteration of the IRL step if set to True. Default is False.

**See also:**

*IncrApprenticeshipLearner*

**Notes**

Method **maxmargin** using a QP solver to solve the following equation:

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{t, w}{\text{maximize}} \quad t \\ & \text{subject to} \quad w^T \mu_E > w^T \mu^{(j)} + t, j = 0, \dots, i-1 \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \|w\|_2 \leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

and mixing policies is realized by solving the quadratic problem:

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\mu}{\text{minimize}} \quad \|\mu_E - \mu\|_2 \\ & \text{subject to} \quad \mu = \sum_i (\lambda_i \mu^{(i)}) \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \lambda_i \geq 0 \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \sum_i \lambda_i = 1 \end{aligned}$$

The QP solver used for the implementation is the IBM ILOG CPLEX Optimizer which requires a separate license. If you are unable to obtain a license, the ‘projection’ method can be used instead.

**References**

[R2]

**Attributes**

---

<i>mid</i>	The module’s unique identifier.
<i>type</i>	This learner is of type <i>offline</i> .

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**mlpy.learners.offline.irl.ApprenticeshipLearner.mid****ApprenticeshipLearner .mid**

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

**mlpy.learners.offline.irl.ApprenticeshipLearner.type****ApprenticeshipLearner .type**This learner is of type *offline*.**Returns** str :

The learner type

**Methods**

<code>choose_action(state)</code>	Choose the next action
<code>execute(experience)</code>	Execute learning specific updates.
<code>learn()</code>	Learn the optimal policy via apprenticeship learning.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset reinforcement learner.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.

**mlpy.learners.offline.irl.ApprenticeshipLearner.choose\_action****ApprenticeshipLearner .choose\_action (state)**

Choose the next action

The next action is chosen according to the current policy and the selected exploration strategy.

**Parameters** state : State

The current state.

**Returns** Action :

The chosen action.

**Raises** NotImplementedError

If the child class does not implement this function.

**mlpy.learners.offline.irl.ApprenticeshipLearner.execute****ApprenticeshipLearner .execute (experience)**

Execute learning specific updates.

Learning specific updates are performed, e.g. model updates.

**Parameters** experience : Experience

The actor's current experience consisting of previous state, the action performed in that state, the current state, and the reward awarded.

**Raises NotImplementedError**

If the child class does not implement this function.

## **mipy.learners.offline.irl.ApprenticeshipLearner.learn**

### **ApprenticeshipLearner.learn()**

Learn the optimal policy via apprenticeship learning.

The apprenticeship learning algorithm for finding a policy  $\tilde{\pi}$ , that induces feature expectations  $\mu(\tilde{\pi})$  close to  $\mu_E$  is as follows:

- 1.Randomly pick some policy  $\pi^{(0)}$ , compute (or approximate via Monte Carlo)  $\mu^{(0)} = \mu(\pi^{(0)})$ , and set  $i = 1$ .
- 2.Compute  $t^{(i)} = \max_{w: \|w\|_2 \leq 1} \min_{j \in 0 \dots (i-1)} w^T (\mu_E - \mu^{(j)})$ , and let  $w^{(i)}$  be the value of  $w$  that attains this maximum. This can be achieved by either the **max-margin** method or by the **projection** method.
- 3.If  $t^{(i)} \leq \epsilon$ , then terminate.
- 4.Using the RL algorithm, compute the optimal policy  $\pi^{(i)}$  for the MDP using rewards  $R = (w^{(i)})^T \phi$ .
- 5.Compute (or estimate)  $\mu^{(i)} = \mu(\pi^{(i)})$ .
- 6.Set  $i = i + 1$ , and go back to step 2.

## **mipy.learners.offline.irl.ApprenticeshipLearner.load**

### **ApprenticeshipLearner.load(filename)**

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters filename : str**

The name of the file to load from.

## **Notes**

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

## **mipy.learners.offline.irl.ApprenticeshipLearner.reset**

### **ApprenticeshipLearner.reset(t, \*\*kwargs)**

Reset reinforcement learner.

Reset the learner before start of a new episode or iteration and save the state of the learner to file.

**Parameters t : float**

The current time (sec)

**kwargs : dict, optional**

Non-positional parameters, optional.

**mlpy.learners.offline.irl.ApprenticeshipLearner.save**

`ApprenticeshipLearner.save(filename)`

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to save to.

**mlpy.learners.offline.irl.IncrApprenticeshipLearner**

```
class mlpy.learners.offline.irl.IncrApprenticeshipLearner(obs,           planner,
                                                       method=None,
                                                       max_iter=None,
                                                       thresh=None,
                                                       gamma=None,
                                                       nsamples=None,
                                                       max_steps=None,    filename=None, **kwargs)
```

Bases: `mlpy.learners.offline.irl.ApprenticeshipLearner`

Incremental apprenticeship learner.

The model under which the apprenticeship is operating is updated incrementally while learning a policy that emulates the expert's demonstrations.

**Parameters** `obs` : array\_like, shape ( $n$ ,  $nfeatures$ ,  $ni$ )

List of trajectories provided by demonstrator, which the learner is trying to emulate, where  $n$  is the number of sequences,  $ni$  is the length of the  $i$ \_th demonstration, and each demonstration has  $nfeatures$  features.

**planner** : IPlanner

The planner to use to determine the best action.

**method** : {‘projection’, ‘maxmargin’}, optional

The IRL method to employ. Default is *projection*.

**max\_iter** : int, optional

The maximum number of iteration after which learning will be terminated. It is assumed that a policy close enough to the experts demonstrations was found. Default is *inf*.

**thresh** : float, optional

The learning is considered having converged to the demonstrations once the threshold has been reach. Default is *eps*.

**gamma** : float, optional

The discount factor. Default is 0.9.

**nsamples** : int, optional

The number of samples taken during Monte Carlo sampling. Default is 100.

**max\_steps** : int, optional

The maximum number of steps in an iteration (during MonteCarlo sampling). Default is 100.

**filename** : str, optional

The name of the file to save the learner state to after each iteration. If None is given, the learner state is not saved. Default is None.

**Other Parameters** **mix\_policies** : bool

Whether to create a new policy by mixing from policies seen so far or by considering the best valued action. Default is False.

**rescale** : bool

If set to True, the feature expectations are rescaled to be between 0 and 1. Default is False.

**visualize** : bool

Visualize each iteration of the IRL step if set to True. Default is False.

**See also:**

[ApprenticeshipLearner](#)

## Notes

Inverse reinforcement learning assumes knowledge of the underlying model. However, this is not always feasible. The incremental apprenticeship learner updates its model after every iteration by executing the current policy. Thus, it provides an extension to the original apprenticeship learner.

## Attributes

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<code>mid</code>	The module's unique identifier.
<code>type</code>	This learner is of type <i>offline</i> .

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### **mipy.learners.offline.irl.IncrApprenticeshipLearner.mid**

`IncrApprenticeshipLearner.mid`

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

### **mipy.learners.offline.irl.IncrApprenticeshipLearner.type**

`IncrApprenticeshipLearner.type`

This learner is of type *offline*.

**Returns** str :

The learner type

## Methods

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<code>choose_action(state)</code>	Choose the next action
<code>execute(experience)</code>	Execute learning specific updates.
<code>learn()</code>	Learn a policy from the experience.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset the apprenticeship learner.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.

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**mlpy.learners.offline.irl.IncrApprenticeshipLearner.choose\_action**`IncrApprenticeshipLearner.choose_action(state)`

Choose the next action

The next action is chosen according to the current policy and the selected exploration strategy.

**Parameters** `state` : State

The current state.

**Returns** Action :

The chosen action.

**mlpy.learners.offline.irl.IncrApprenticeshipLearner.execute**`IncrApprenticeshipLearner.execute(experience)`

Execute learning specific updates.

Learning specific updates are performed, e.g. model updates.

**Parameters** `experience` : Experience

The actor's current experience consisting of previous state, the action performed in that state, the current state, and the reward awarded.

**mlpy.learners.offline.irl.IncrApprenticeshipLearner.learn**`IncrApprenticeshipLearner.learn()`

Learn a policy from the experience.

Learn the optimal policy using an apprenticeship learning algorithm incrementally.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the found policy is considered to have converged. The algorithm is considered to have converged on the optimal policy if either the performance is within a certain threshold or if the maximum number of iterations has been reached.

**mlpy.learners.offline.irl.IncrApprenticeshipLearner.load**`IncrApprenticeshipLearner.load(filename)`

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to load from.

## Notes

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

### `mlpy.learners.offline.irl.IncrApprenticeshipLearner.reset`

`IncrApprenticeshipLearner.reset(t, **kwargs)`  
Reset the apprenticeship learner.

**Parameters** `t` : float

The current time (sec)

`kwargs` : dict, optional

Non-positional parameters, optional.

### `mlpy.learners.offline.irl.IncrApprenticeshipLearner.save`

`IncrApprenticeshipLearner.save(filename)`  
Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to save to.

# CHAPTER 16

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## Markov decision process (MDP) (`mipy.mdp`)

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### Transition and reward models

<code>MDPModelFactory</code>	The Markov decision process (MDP) model factory.
<code>IMDPModel</code>	The Markov decision process interface.

#### `mipy.mdp.MDPModelFactory`

`class mipy.mdp.MDPModelFactory`  
Bases: `object`

The Markov decision process (MDP) model factory.

An instance of an MDP model can be created by passing the MDP model type.

#### Examples

```
>>> from mipy.mdp import MDPModelFactory  
>>> MDPModelFactory.create('discretemodel')
```

This creates a `DiscreteModel` instance with default settings.

```
>>> MDPModelFactory.create('decisiontreemode1', explorer_type=  
    ↪ 'leastvisitedbonusexplorer',  
    ...  
                explorer_params={'rmax': 1.0})
```

This creates a `DecisionTreeModel` instance using `LeastVisitedBonusExplorer` with `rmax` set to 1.0.

#### Methods

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<code>create(_type, *args, **kwargs)</code>	Create an MDP model of the given type.
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## `mlpy.mdp.MDPModelFactory.create`

**static** `MDPModelFactory.create (_type, *args, **kwargs)`

Create an MDP model of the given type.

**Parameters** `_type` : str

The MDP model type. Valid model types:

**discretemodel** A model for discrete state and actions deriving transition and reward information from empirical data. A `DiscreteModel` instance is created.

**decisiontreemodel** A model for discrete state and actions deriving transition and reward information from empirical data generalized using decision trees. A `DecisionTreeModel` instance model is created.

**casml** A model for continuous state and actions deriving transition information from empirical data fit to a case base and a Hidden Markov Model (`HMM`). Rewards are derived from empirical data. A `CASML` instance is created.

**args** : tuple, optional

Positional arguments to pass to the class of the given type for initialization.

**kwargs** : dict, optional

Non-positional arguments to pass to the class of the given type for initialization.

**Returns** IMDPModel :

A MDP model instance of the given type.

## `mlpy.mdp.IMDPModel`

**class** `mlpy.mdp.IMDPModel (proba_calc_method=None)`

Bases: `mlpy.modules.UniqueModule`

The Markov decision process interface.

All Markov decision process (MDP) models are derived from the base class. The base class maintains an initial probability distribution from which the initial state can be sampled.

**Parameters** `proba_calc_method` : str

The method used to calculate the probability distribution for the initial state. Defaults to DefaultProbaCalcMethod.

## Attributes

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`mid`

The module's unique identifier.

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**mlpy.mdp.IMDPModel.mid****IMDPModel.mid**

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

**Methods**

<code>fit(obs, actions, **kwargs)</code>	Fit the model to the observations and actions of the trajectory.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>predict_proba(state, action)</code>	Predict the probability distribution.
<code>sample([state, action])</code>	Sample from the probability distribution.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>update(experience)</code>	Update the model with the agent's experience.

**mlpy.mdp.IMDPModel.fit****IMDPModel.fit(obs, actions, \*\*kwargs)**

Fit the model to the observations and actions of the trajectory.

**Parameters** **obs** : array\_like, shape (*nfeatures*, *n*)Trajectory of observations, where each observation has *nfeatures* features and *n* is the length of the trajectory.**actions** : array\_like, shape (*nfeatures*, *n*)Trajectory of actions, where each action has *nfeatures* features and *n* is the length of the trajectory.**kwargs: dict, optional**

Non-positional parameters, optional

**Raises** **NotImplementedError**

If the child class does not implement this function.

**Notes**This is an abstract method and *must* be implemented by its deriving class.**mlpy.mdp.IMDPModel.load****IMDPModel.load(filename)**

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** **filename** : str

The name of the file to load from.

## Notes

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

### mlpy.mdp.IMDPModel.predict\_proba

`IMDPModel.predict_proba(state, action)`

Predict the probability distribution.

The probability distribution for state transitions is predicted for the given state and an action.

**Parameters** `state` : State

The current state the robot is in.

`action` : Action

The action perform in state `state`.

**Returns** dict[tuple[float], float] :

The probability distribution for the state-action pair.

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

If the child class does not implement this function.

## Notes

This is an abstract method and *must* be implemented by its deriving class.

### mlpy.mdp.IMDPModel.sample

`IMDPModel.sample(state=None, action=None)`

Sample from the probability distribution.

The next state is sampled for the given state and action from the probability distribution. If either state or action is `None` the next state is sampled from the initial distribution.

**Parameters** `state` : State, optional

The current state the robot is in.

`action` : Action, optional

The action perform in state `state`.

**Returns** State :

The sampled next state.

### mlpy.mdp.IMDPModel.save

`IMDPModel.save(filename)`

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to save to.

## mlpy.mdp.IMDPModel.update

`IMDPModel.update(experience)`

Update the model with the agent's experience.

**Parameters** `experience` : Experience

The agent's experience, consisting of state, action, next state(, and reward).

**Returns** bool :

Return True if the model has changed, False otherwise.

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

If the child class does not implement this function.

### Notes

Optionally this method can be overwritten if the model supports incrementally updating the model.

## Discrete models

<code>DiscreteModel</code>	The MDP model for discrete states and actions.
<code>DecisionTreeModel</code>	The MDP model for discrete states and actions realized with decision trees.

## mlpy.mdp.discrete.DiscreteModel

`class mlpy.mdp.discrete.DiscreteModel(actions=None, **kwargs)`  
Bases: `mlpy.mdp.IMDPModel`

The MDP model for discrete states and actions.

**Parameters** `actions` : list[Action] or dict[State, list[Action]]

The available actions. If not given, the actions are read from the Action description.

### Attributes

<code>mid</code>	The module's unique identifier.
<code>statespace</code>	Collection of states and their state-action information.

## mlpy.mdp.discrete.DiscreteModel.mid

`DiscreteModel.mid`

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

## mlpy.mdp.discrete.DiscreteModel.statespace

DiscreteModel.**statespace**

Collection of states and their state-action information.

**Returns** dict[State, StateData] :

The state space.

### Methods

<code>add_state(state)</code>	Add a new state to the statespace.
<code>fit(obs, actions[, labels])</code>	Fit the model to the observations and actions of the trajectory.
<code>get_actions([state])</code>	Retrieve the available actions for the given state.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>predict_proba(state, action)</code>	Predict the probability distribution.
<code>print_rewards()</code>	Print the state rewards for debugging purposes.
<code>print_transitions()</code>	Print the state transitions for debugging purposes.
<code>sample([state, action])</code>	Sample from the probability distribution.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>update([experience])</code>	Update the model with the agent's experience.

## mlpy.mdp.discrete.DiscreteModel.add\_state

DiscreteModel.**add\_state** (*state*)

Add a new state to the statespace.

Add a new state to the statespace (a collection of states that have already been seen).

**Parameters** *state* : State

The state to add to the state space.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the state was a new state or not.

## mlpy.mdp.discrete.DiscreteModel.fit

DiscreteModel.**fit** (*obs, actions, labels=None*)

Fit the model to the observations and actions of the trajectory.

**Parameters** *obs* : array\_like, shape (*nfeatures, n*)

Trajectory of observations, where each observation has *nfeatures* features and *n* is the length of the trajectory.

**actions** : array\_like, shape (*nfeatures, n*)

Trajectory of actions, where each action has *nfeatures* features and *n* is the length of the trajectory.

**labels** : array\_like, shape (*n,*)

Label identifying each step in the trajectory, where *n* is the length of the trajectory.

**mlpy.mdp.discrete.DiscreteModel.get\_actions**

DiscreteModel.**get\_actions**(*state=None*)

Retrieve the available actions for the given state.

**Parameters** *state* : State

The state for which to get the actions.

**Returns** list :

The actions that can be taken in this state.

**mlpy.mdp.discrete.DiscreteModel.load**

DiscreteModel.**load**(*filename*)

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** *filename* : str

The name of the file to load from.

**Notes**

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

**mlpy.mdp.discrete.DiscreteModel.predict\_proba**

DiscreteModel.**predict\_proba**(*state, action*)

Predict the probability distribution.

Predict the probability distribution for state transitions given a state and an action.

**Parameters** *state* : State

The current state the robot is in.

**action** : Action

The action perform in state *state*.

**Returns** dict[tuple[float]], float :

The probability distribution for the state-action pair.

**mlpy.mdp.discrete.DiscreteModel.print\_rewards**

DiscreteModel.**print\_rewards**()

Print the state rewards for debugging purposes.

**mlpy.mdp.discrete.DiscreteModel.print\_transitions**

DiscreteModel.**print\_transitions**()

Print the state transitions for debugging purposes.

**mlpy.mdp.discrete.DiscreteModel.sample**

DiscreteModel.sample(state=None, action=None)

Sample from the probability distribution.

The next state is sampled for the given state and action from the probability distribution. If either state or action is None the next state is sampled from the initial distribution.

**Parameters** state : State, optional

The current state the robot is in.

**action** : Action, optional

The action perform in state *state*.

**Returns** State :

The sampled next state.

**mlpy.mdp.discrete.DiscreteModel.save**

DiscreteModel.save(filename)

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** filename : str

The name of the file to save to.

**mlpy.mdp.discrete.DiscreteModel.update**

DiscreteModel.update(experience=None)

Update the model with the agent's experience.

**Parameters** experience : Experience

The agent's experience, consisting of state, action, next state(, and reward).

**Returns** bool :

Return True if the model has changed, False otherwise.

**mlpy.mdp.discrete.DecisionTreeModel**

```
class mlpy.mdp.discrete.DecisionTreeModel(actions=None, explorer_type=None,  
                                         use_reward_trees=None, *args, **kwargs)  
Bases: mlpy.mdp.discrete.DiscreteModel
```

The MDP model for discrete states and actions realized with decision trees.

The MDP model with decision trees is implemented as described by Todd Hester and Peter Stone [R4]. Transitions are learned for each feature; i.e. there is a decision tree for each state feature, and the predictions  $P(x_i^r|s, a)$  for the n state features are combined to create a prediction of probabilities of the relative change of the state  $s^r = \langle x_1^r, x_2^r, \dots, x_n^r \rangle$  by calculating:

$$P(s^r|s, a) = \prod_{i=0}^n P(x_i^r|s, a)$$

Optionally, the reward can also be learned by generating a decision tree for it.

The MDP model with decision trees can optionally specify an RMax based exploration model to drive exploration of unseen states.

**Parameters** `actions` : list[Action] | dict[State, list[Action]]

The available actions. If not given, the actions are read from the Action description.

**explorer\_type** : str

The type of exploration policy to perform. Valid explorer types:

**unvisitedbonusexplorer**: In unvisited-bonus exploration mode, if a state is experienced that has not been seen before the decision trees are considered to have changed and thus are being updated, otherwise, the decision trees are only considered to have changed based on the C45Tree algorithm.

**leastvisitedbonusexplorer**: In least-visited-bonus exploration mode, the states that have been visited the least are given a bonus of RMax. A `LeastVisitedBonusExplorer` instance is created.

**unknownbonusexplorer**: In unknown-bonus exploration mode states for which the decision tree was unable to predict a reward are considered unknown and are given a bonus of RMax. A `UnknownBonusExplorer` instance is created.

**use\_reward\_trees** : bool

If True, decision trees are used for the rewards model, otherwise a standard reward function is used.

**args**: tuple

Positional parameters passed to the model explorer.

**kwargs**: dict

Non-positional parameters passed to the model explorer.

**Other Parameters** `explorer_params` : dict

Parameters specific to the given exploration type.

**Raises** `ValueError`

If explorer type is not valid.

## Notes

A C4.5 algorithm is used to generate the decision trees. The implementation of the algorithm that was improved to make the algorithm incremental. This is realized by checking at each node whether the new experience changes the optimal split and only rebuilds the tree from that node if it does.

## References

[R4]

## Attributes

<code>mid</code>	The module's unique identifier.
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<code>statespace</code>	Collection of states and their state-action information.
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### `mlpy.mdp.discrete.DecisionTreeModel.mid`

`DecisionTreeModel .mid`

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

### `mlpy.mdp.discrete.DecisionTreeModel.statespace`

`DecisionTreeModel .statespace`

Collection of states and their state-action information.

**Returns** dict[State, StateData] :

The state space.

## Methods

<code>activate_exploration()</code>	Turn the explorer on.
<code>add_state(state)</code>	Add a new state to the statespace.
<code>deactivate_exploration()</code>	Turn the explorer off.
<code>fit(obs, actions[, rewards])</code>	Fit the model to the trajectory data.
<code>get_actions([state])</code>	Retrieve the available actions for the given state.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>predict_proba(state, action)</code>	Predict the probability distribution.
<code>print_rewards()</code>	Print the state rewards for debugging purposes.
<code>print_transitions()</code>	Print the state transitions for debugging purposes.
<code>sample([state, action])</code>	Sample from the probability distribution.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>update([experience])</code>	Update the model with the agent's experience.

### `mlpy.mdp.discrete.DecisionTreeModel.activate_exploration`

`DecisionTreeModel .activate_exploration()`

Turn the explorer on.

### `mlpy.mdp.discrete.DecisionTreeModel.add_state`

`DecisionTreeModel .add_state (state)`

Add a new state to the statespace.

Add a new state to the statespace (a collection of states that have already been seen).

**Parameters** state : State

The state to add to the state space.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the state was a new state or not.

### mlpy.mdp.discrete.DecisionTreeModel.deactivate\_exploration

DecisionTreeModel.**deactivate\_exploration()**

Turn the explorer off.

### mlpy.mdp.discrete.DecisionTreeModel.fit

DecisionTreeModel.**fit**(*obs, actions, rewards=None*)

Fit the model to the trajectory data.

**Parameters** **obs** : array\_like, shape (*nfeatures*, *n*)

Trajectory of observations, where each observation has *nfeatures* features and *n* is the length of the trajectory.

**actions** : array\_like, shape (*nfeatures*, *n*)

Trajectory of actions, where each action has *nfeatures* features and *n* is the length of the trajectory.

**rewards** : array\_like, shape (*n*,)

List of rewards, a reward is awarded for each observation.

### mlpy.mdp.discrete.DecisionTreeModel.get\_actions

DecisionTreeModel.**get\_actions**(*state=None*)

Retrieve the available actions for the given state.

**Parameters** **state** : State

The state for which to get the actions.

**Returns** list :

The actions that can be taken in this state.

### mlpy.mdp.discrete.DecisionTreeModel.load

DecisionTreeModel.**load**(*filename*)

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** **filename** : str

The name of the file to load from.

### Notes

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

### **mlpy.mdp.discrete.DecisionTreeModel.predict\_proba**

`DecisionTreeModel.predict_proba(state, action)`

Predict the probability distribution.

Predict the probability distribution for state transitions given a state and an action.

**Parameters** `state` : State

The current state the robot is in.

`action` : Action

The action perform in state `state`.

**Returns** dict[tuple[float]], float :

The probability distribution for the state-action pair.

### **mlpy.mdp.discrete.DecisionTreeModel.print\_rewards**

`DecisionTreeModel.print_rewards()`

Print the state rewards for debugging purposes.

### **mlpy.mdp.discrete.DecisionTreeModel.print\_transitions**

`DecisionTreeModel.print_transitions()`

Print the state transitions for debugging purposes.

### **mlpy.mdp.discrete.DecisionTreeModel.sample**

`DecisionTreeModel.sample(state=None, action=None)`

Sample from the probability distribution.

The next state is sampled for the given state and action from the probability distribution. If either state or action is `None` the next state is sampled from the initial distribution.

**Parameters** `state` : State, optional

The current state the robot is in.

`action` : Action, optional

The action perform in state `state`.

**Returns** State :

The sampled next state.

### **mlpy.mdp.discrete.DecisionTreeModel.save**

`DecisionTreeModel.save(filename)`

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to save to.

## mlpy.mdp.discrete.DecisionTreeModel.update

`DecisionTreeModel.update(experience=None)`

Update the model with the agent's experience.

The decision trees for transition and reward functions are being updated.

**Parameters** `experience` : Experience

The agent's experience, consisting of state, action, next state(, and reward).

**Returns** bool :

Return True if the model has changed, False otherwise.

## Model explorer

<code>ExplorerFactory</code>	The model explorer factory.
<code>RMaxExplorer</code>	RMax based exploration base class.
<code>LeastVisitedBonusExplorer</code>	Least visited bonus explorer, a RMax based exploration model.
<code>UnknownBonusExplorer</code>	Unknown bonus explorer, a RMax based exploration model.

## mlpy.mdp.discrete.ExplorerFactory

`class mlpy.mdp.discrete.ExplorerFactory  
Bases: object`

The model explorer factory.

An instance of an explorer can be created by passing the explorer type.

### Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.mdp.discrete import ExplorerFactory  
>>> ExplorerFactory.create('unknownbonusexplorer', 1.0)
```

This creates a `UnknownBonusExplorer` with `rmax` set to 1.0.

### Methods

<code>create(_type, *args, **kwargs)</code>	Create an MDP model of the given type.
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## mlpy.mdp.discrete.ExplorerFactory.create

`static ExplorerFactory.create(_type, *args, **kwargs)`  
Create an MDP model of the given type.

**Parameters** `_type` : str

The model explorer type. Valid model types:

**leastvisitedbonusexplorer:** In least-visited-bonus exploration mode, the states that have been visited the least are given a bonus of RMax. A `LeastVisitedBonusExplorer` instance is created.

**unknownbonusexplorer:** In unknown-bonus exploration mode states for which the decision tree was unable to predict a reward are considered unknown and are given a bonus of RMax. A `UnknownBonusExplorer` instance is created.

**args** : tuple, optional

Positional arguments to pass to the class of the given type for initialization.

**kwargs** : dict, optional

Non-positional arguments to pass to the class of the given type for initialization.

**Returns** `RMaxExplorer` :

An explorer instance of the given type.

## mlpy.mdp.discrete.RMaxExplorer

**class** `mlpy.mdp.discrete.RMaxExplorer(rmax)`

Bases: `mlpy.modules.UniqueModule`

RMax based exploration base class.

**Parameters** `rmax` : float

The maximum achievable reward.

### Attributes

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<code>mid</code>	The module's unique identifier.
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#### mlpy.mdp.discrete.RMaxExplorer.mid

`RMaxExplorer.mid`

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

### Methods

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<code>activate(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Turn on exploration mode.
<code>deactivate()</code>	Turn off exploration mode.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>update(model)</code>	Update the reward model according to a RMax based exploration policy.

---

**mlpy.mdp.discrete.RMaxExplorer.activate**

RMaxExplorer.**activate**(\*args, \*\*kwargs)  
Turn on exploration mode.

**mlpy.mdp.discrete.RMaxExplorer.deactivate**

RMaxExplorer.**deactivate**()  
Turn off exploration mode.

**mlpy.mdp.discrete.RMaxExplorer.load**

RMaxExplorer.**load**(filename)  
Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** filename : str

The name of the file to load from.

**Notes**

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

**mlpy.mdp.discrete.RMaxExplorer.save**

RMaxExplorer.**save**(filename)  
Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** filename : str

The name of the file to save to.

**mlpy.mdp.discrete.RMaxExplorer.update**

RMaxExplorer.**update**(model)  
Update the reward model according to a RMax based exploration policy.

**Parameters** model : StateActionInfo

The state-action information.

**mlpy.mdp.discrete.LeastVisitedBonusExplorer**

**class** mlpy.mdp.discrete.LeastVisitedBonusExplorer(rmax, func, thresh=None)  
Bases: [mlpy.mdp.discrete.RMaxExplorer](#)

Least visited bonus explorer, a RMax based exploration model.

Least visited bonus exploration only goes into exploration mode whether it is predicted that only states with rewards less than a given threshold can be reached. Once in exploration mode, states that have been visited least are given a bonus of RMax to drive exploration.

**Parameters** `rmax` : float

The maximum achievable reward.

`func` : callable

Callback function to retrieve the minimum number of times a state has been visited.

`thresh` : float

If all states that can be reached from the current state have a value less than the threshold, exploration mode is turned on.

## Attributes

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<code>mid</code>	The module's unique identifier.
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### **mipy.mdp.discrete.LeastVisitedBonusExplorer.mid**

`LeastVisitedBonusExplorer.mid`

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

## Methods

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<code>activate([qvalues])</code>	Turn on exploration mode.
<code>deactivate()</code>	Turn off exploration mode.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>update(model)</code>	Update the reward model.

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### **mipy.mdp.discrete.LeastVisitedBonusExplorer.activate**

`LeastVisitedBonusExplorer.activate(qvalues=None, *args, **kwargs)`

Turn on exploration mode.

If it is predicted that only states with rewards less than the threshold can be reached then the agent goes into exploration mode.

**Parameters** `qvalues` : dict

The qvalues for all actions from the current state

### **mipy.mdp.discrete.LeastVisitedBonusExplorer.deactivate**

`LeastVisitedBonusExplorer.deactivate()`

Turn off exploration mode.

**mlpy.mdp.discrete.LeastVisitedBonusExplorer.load**

`LeastVisitedBonusExplorer.load(filename)`  
Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to load from.

**Notes**

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

**mlpy.mdp.discrete.LeastVisitedBonusExplorer.save**

`LeastVisitedBonusExplorer.save(filename)`  
Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to save to.

**mlpy.mdp.discrete.LeastVisitedBonusExplorer.update**

`LeastVisitedBonusExplorer.update(model)`  
Update the reward model.

Update the reward model according to a RMax based exploration policy. To drive exploration a bonus of RMax is given to the least visited states.

**Parameters** `model` : StateActionInfo

The states-action information.

**mlpy.mdp.discrete.UnknownBonusExplorer**

`class mlpy.mdp.discrete.UnknownBonusExplorer(rmax)`  
Bases: `mlpy.mdp.discrete.RMaxExplorer`

Unknown bonus explorer, a RMax based exploration model.

States for which the decision tree was unable to predict a reward are given a bonus of RMax to drive exploration, since these states are considered to be unknown under the model.

**Parameters** `rmax` : float

The maximum achievable reward.

**Attributes**


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`mid`

The module's unique identifier.

## mipy.mdp.discrete.UnknownBonusExplorer.mid

UnknownBonusExplorer.**mid**

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

## Methods

<code>activate(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Turn on exploration mode.
<code>deactivate()</code>	Turn off exploration mode.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>update(model)</code>	Update the reward model.

## mipy.mdp.discrete.UnknownBonusExplorer.activate

UnknownBonusExplorer.**activate**(\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Turn on exploration mode.

## mipy.mdp.discrete.UnknownBonusExplorer.deactivate

UnknownBonusExplorer.**deactivate**()

Turn off exploration mode.

## mipy.mdp.discrete.UnknownBonusExplorer.load

UnknownBonusExplorer.**load**(filename)

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** filename : str

The name of the file to load from.

## Notes

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

## mipy.mdp.discrete.UnknownBonusExplorer.save

UnknownBonusExplorer.**save**(filename)

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** filename : str

The name of the file to save to.

**mlpy.mdp.discrete.UnknownBonusExplorer.update**`UnknownBonusExplorer.update(model)`

Update the reward model.

Update the reward model according to a RMax based exploration policy. States for which the decision tree was unable to predict a reward are considered unknown. These states are given a bonus of RMax to drive exploration.

**Parameters** `model` : StateActionInfo

The states-action information.

**Contiguous models**`casml`

Continuous Action and State Model Learner (CASML)

**mlpy.mdp.continuous.casml****Continuous Action and State Model Learner (CASML)**`CASMLReuseMethod`The reuse method implementation for `CASML`.`CASMLRevisionMethod`The revision method implementation for `CASML`.`CASMLRetentionMethod`The retention method implementation for `CASML`.`CASML`

Continuous Action and State Model Learner (CASML).

**mlpy.mdp.continuous.casml.CASMLReuseMethod**`class mlpy.mdp.continuous.casml.CASMLReuseMethod`

Bases: `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.IReuseMethod`

The reuse method implementation for `CASML`.

The solutions of the best (or set of best) retrieved cases are used to construct the solution for the query case; new generalizations and specializations may occur as a consequence of the solution transformation.

The CASML reuse method further specializes the solution by identifying cases similar in both state and action.

**Methods**`execute(case, case_matches[, fn_retrieve])`

Execute reuse step.

`plot_data(case, case_matches[, revised_matches])`

Plot the data.

**mlpy.mdp.continuous.casml.CASMLReuseMethod.execute**`CASMLReuseMethod.execute(case, case_matches, fn_retrieve=None)`

Execute reuse step.

Take both similarity in state and in actions into account.

**Parameters** `case` : Case

The query case.

**case\_matches** : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The solution identified through the similarity measure.

**fn\_retrieve** : callable

Callback for accessing the case base's 'retrieval' method.

**Returns revised\_matches** : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The revised solution.

## mlpy.mdp.continuous.casml.CASMLReuseMethod.plot\_data

CASMLReuseMethod.**plot\_data** (case, case\_matches, revised\_matches=None)

Plot the data.

**Parameters case** : Case

The query case.

**case\_matches** : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The solution identified through the similarity measure.

**revised\_matches** : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The revised solution.

## mlpy.mdp.continuous.casml.CASMLRevisionMethod

class mlpy.mdp.continuous.casml.CASMLRevisionMethod (rho=None, plot\_revision=None, plot\_revision\_params=None)

Bases: *mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.IRevisionMethod*

The revision method implementation for [CASML](#).

The solutions provided by the query case is evaluated and information about whether the solution has or has not provided a desired outcome is gathered.

**Parameters rho** : float, optional

The permitted error of the similarity measure. Default is 0.99.

**plot\_revision** : bool, optional

Whether to plot the vision step or not. Default is False.

**plot\_revision\_params** : {‘origin\_to\_query’, ‘original\_origin’}

Parameters used for plotting. Valid parameters are:

**origin\_to\_query** Which moves the origins of all actions to the query case's origin.

**original\_origin** The origins remain unchanged and the states are plotted at their original origins.

## Notes

The CASML revision method further narrows down the solutions to the query case by identifying whether the actions are similar by ensuring that the actions are cosine similar within the permitted error  $\rho$ :

$$d(c_q.\text{action}, c.\text{action}) \geq \rho$$

## Methods

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<code>execute(case, case_matches, **kwargs)</code>	Execute the revision step.
<code>plot_data(case, case_matches, **kwargs)</code>	Plot the data during the revision step.

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### `mlpy.mdp.continuous.casml.CASMLRevisionMethod.execute`

`CASMLRevisionMethod.execute(case, case_matches, **kwargs)`  
Execute the revision step.

**Parameters** `case` : Case

The query case.

`case_matches` : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The solution identified through the similarity measure.

**Returns** `case_matches` : dict[int, CaseMatch]

the corrected solution.

### `mlpy.mdp.continuous.casml.CASMLRevisionMethod.plot_data`

`CASMLRevisionMethod.plot_data(case, case_matches, **kwargs)`  
Plot the data during the revision step.

**Parameters** `case` : Case

The query case.

`case_matches` : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The solution identified through the similarity measure.

### `mlpy.mdp.continuous.casml.CASMLRetentionMethod`

```
class mlpy.mdp.continuous.casml.CASMLRetentionMethod(tau=None, sigma=None,
plot_retention=None)
```

Bases: `mlpy.knowledgerep.cbr.methods.IRetentionMethod`

The retention method implementation for `CASML`.

When the new problem-solving experience can be stored or not stored in memory, depending on the revision outcomes and the CBR policy regarding case retention.

**Parameters** `tau` : float, optional

The maximum permitted error when comparing most similar solution. Default is 0.8.

**sigma** : float, optional

The maximum permitted error when comparing actual with estimated transitions. Default is 0.2

**plot\_retention** : bool, optional

Whether to plot the data during the retention step or not. Default is False.

## Notes

The CASML retention method considers query cases as predicted correctly if

1.the query case is within the maximum permitted error  $\tau$  of the most similar solution case:

$$d(\text{case}, \text{1NN}(C_T, \text{case})) < \tau$$

2.the difference between the actual and the estimated transitions are less than the permitted error  $\sigma$ :

$$d(\text{case}.\Delta_{\text{state}}, T(s_{i-1}, a_{i-1})) < \sigma$$

## Methods

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<code>execute(case, case_matches[, fn_add])</code>	Execute the retention step.
<code>plot_data(case, case_matches, **kwargs)</code>	Plot the data during the retention step.

---

### **mipy.mdp.continuous.casml.CASMLRetentionMethod.execute**

CASMLRetentionMethod.**execute** (*case*, *case\_matches*, *fn\_add=None*)  
Execute the retention step.

**Parameters** *case* : Case

The query case

*case\_matches* : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The solution identified through the similarity measure.

*fn\_add* : callable

Callback for accessing the case base's 'add' method.

### **mipy.mdp.continuous.casml.CASMLRetentionMethod.plot\_data**

CASMLRetentionMethod.**plot\_data** (*case*, *case\_matches*, *\*\*kwargs*)  
Plot the data during the retention step.

**Parameters** *case* : Case

The query case.

*case\_matches* : dict[int, CaseMatch]

The solution identified through the similarity measure.

## mlpy.mdp.continuous.casml.CASML

```
class mlpy.mdp.continuous.casml.CASML(case_template, rho=None, tau=None, sigma=None,
                                         ncomponents=1, revision_method_params=None, retention_method_params=None, case_base_params=None,
                                         hmm_params=None, proba_calc_method=None)
```

Bases: [mlpy.mdp.IMPModel](#)

Continuous Action and State Model Learner (CASML).

**Parameters** `case_template` : dict

The template from which to create a new case.

**Example** An example template for a feature named `state` with the specified feature parameters. `data` is the data from which to extract the case from. In this example it is expected that `data` has a member variable `state`.

```
{
    "state": {
        "type": "float",
        "value": "data.state",
        "is_index": True,
        "retrieval_method": "radius-n",
        "retrieval_method_params": 0.01
    },
    "delta_state": {
        "type": "float",
        "value": "data.next_state - data.state",
        "is_index": False,
    }
}
```

**rho** : float, optional

The maximum permitted error when comparing cosine similarity of actions. Default is 0.99.

**tau** : float, optional

The maximum permitted error when comparing most similar solution. Default is 0.8.

**sigma** : float, optional

The maximum permitted error when comparing actual with estimated transitions. Default is 0.2.

**ncomponents** : int, optional

Number of states of the hidden Markov model. Default is 1.

**revision\_method\_params** : dict, optional

Additional initialization parameters for `CASMLRevisionMethod`.

**retention\_method\_params** : dict, optional

Additional initialization parameters for `CASMLRetentionMethod`.

**case\_base\_params** : dict, optional

Initialization parameters for [CaseBase](#).

**hmm\_params** : dict, optional

Additional initialization parameters for [GaussianHMM](#).

**proba\_calc\_method** : str, optional

The method used to calculate the probability distribution for the initial states. Default is DefaultProbaCalcMethod.

## Attributes

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<code>mid</code>	The module's unique identifier.
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### **mipy.mdp.continuous.casml.CASML.mid**

**CASML.mid**

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

## Methods

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<code>fit(obs, actions[, n_init])</code>	Fit the <a href="#">CaseBase</a> and the <a href="#">HMM</a> .
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>predict_proba(state, action)</code>	Predict the probability distribution.
<code>sample([state, action])</code>	Sample from the probability distribution.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>update(experience)</code>	Update the model with the agent's experience.

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### **mipy.mdp.continuous.casml.CASML.fit**

**CASML.fit** (*obs, actions, n\_init=1, \*\*kwargs*)

Fit the [CaseBase](#) and the [HMM](#).

The model is fit to the observations and actions of the trajectory by updating the case base and the HMM.

**Parameters** **obs** : array\_like, shape (*nfeatures, n*)

Trajectory of observations, where each observation has *nfeatures* features and *n* is the length of the trajectory.

**actions** : array\_like, shape (*nfeatures, n*)

Trajectory of actions, where each action has *nfeatures* features and *n* is the length of the trajectory.

**n\_init** : int, optional

Number of restarts to prevent the HMM from getting stuck in a local minimum. Default is 1.

**mlpy.mdp.continuous.casml.CASML.load****CASML.load** (*filename*)

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** **filename** : str

The name of the file to load from.

**Notes**

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

**mlpy.mdp.continuous.casml.CASML.predict\_proba****CASML.predict\_proba** (*state, action*)

Predict the probability distribution.

Predict the probability distribution for state transitions given a state and an action.

**Parameters** **state** : State

The current state the robot is in.

**action** : ActionThe action perform in state *state*.**Returns** dict[tuple[float]], float :

The probability distribution for the state-action pair.

**mlpy.mdp.continuous.casml.CASML.sample****CASML.sample** (*state=None, action=None*)

Sample from the probability distribution.

The next state is sampled for the given state and action from the probability distribution. If either state or action is None the next state is sampled from the initial distribution.

**Parameters** **state** : State, optional

The current state the robot is in.

**action** : Action, optionalThe action perform in state *state*.**Returns** State :

The sampled next state.

**mlpy.mdp.continuous.casml.CASML.save****CASML.save** (*filename*)

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** **filename** : str

The name of the file to save to.

### **mipy.mdp.continuous.casml.CASML.update**

**CASML.update** (*experience*)

Update the model with the agent's experience.

**Parameters** **experience** : Experience

The agent's experience, consisting of state, action, next state(, and reward).

**Returns** bool :

Return True if the model has changed, False otherwise.

**Raises** **NotImplementedError**

If the child class does not implement this function.

#### **Notes**

Optionally this method can be overwritten if the model supports incrementally updating the model.

## **Probability distributions**

<i>ProbaCalcMethodFactory</i>	The probability calculation method factory.
<i>IProbaCalcMethod</i>	The Probability calculation method interface.
<i>DefaultProbaCalcMethod</i>	The default probability calculation method.
<i>ProbabilityDistribution</i>	Probability Distribution.

### **mipy.mdp.distrib.ProbaCalcMethodFactory**

**class** mipy.mdp.distrib.**ProbaCalcMethodFactory**  
Bases: **object**

The probability calculation method factory.

An instance of a probability calculation method can be created by passing the probability calculation method type.

#### **Examples**

```
>>> from mipy.mdp.distrib import ProbaCalcMethodFactory  
>>> ProbaCalcMethodFactory.create('defaultprobacalcmethod')
```

This creates a *DefaultProbaCalcMethod* instance.

#### **Methods**

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<code>create(_type, *args, **kwargs)</code>	Create a probability calculation method of the given type.
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**mlpy.mdp.distrib.ProbaCalcMethodFactory.create**

**static** `ProbaCalcMethodFactory.create (_type, *args, **kwargs)`  
Create a probability calculation method of the given type.

**Parameters** `_type` : str

The probability calculation method type. The method type should be equal to the class name of the method.

`args` : tuple

Positional arguments passed to the class of the given type for initialization.

`kwargs` : dict

Non-positional arguments passed to the class of the given type for initialization.

**Returns** IProbaCalcMethod :

A probability calculation method instance of the given type.

**mlpy.mdp.distrib.IProbaCalcMethod**

**class** `mlpy.mdp.distrib.IProbaCalcMethod`  
Bases: `object`

The Probability calculation method interface.

The probability calculation method is responsible for calculating the probability distribution based on the state transitions seen so far.

**Notes**

To create custom probability calculation methods, derive from this class.

**Methods**


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<code>execute(states)</code>	Execute the calculation.
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**mlpy.mdp.distrib.IProbaCalcMethod.execute**

`IProbaCalcMethod.execute (states)`  
Execute the calculation.

**Parameters** `states` : dict[State, dict[str, int | float]]

The list of next states to consider.

**Returns** dict[State, dict[str, int | float]] :

The updated states information including the probabilities.

**Raises NotImplementedError :**

If the child class does not implement this function.

## mlpy.mdp.distrib.DefaultProbaCalcMethod

**class** mlpy.mdp.distrib.**DefaultProbaCalcMethod**  
Bases: mlpy.mdp.distrib.IProbaCalcMethod

The default probability calculation method.

The default probability calculation method determines the probability distribution by normalizing the state count over all state.

### Methods

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<code>execute(states)</code>	Execute the calculation.
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### mlpy.mdp.distrib.DefaultProbaCalcMethod.execute

DefaultProbaCalcMethod.**execute** (*states*)

Execute the calculation.

Calculate the probability distribution based on the number of times the states have been seen so far.

**Parameters** *states* : dict[State, dict[str, int | float]]

The list of next states to consider.

**Returns** dict[State, dict[str, int | float]] :

The updated states information including the probabilities.

## mlpy.mdp.distrib.ProbabilityDistribution

**class** mlpy.mdp.distrib.**ProbabilityDistribution** (*proba\_calc\_method=None*)  
Bases: object

Probability Distribution.

This class handles evaluation of empirically derived states and calculates the probability distribution from them.

**Parameters** *proba\_calc\_method* : str

The method used to calculate the probability distribution for the initial state. Defaults to ‘defaultprobacalcmethod’.

### Methods

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<code>add_state(state)</code>	Adds a state to the states list.
<code>clear()</code>	Clear the probability distribution.
<code>get()</code>	Retrieve the probability distribution.

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<code>iadd(state, proba)</code>	In-place addition of the probability to the states probability.
<code>sample()</code>	Returns a next state according to the probability distribution.

**mlpy.mdp.distrib.ProbabilityDistribution.add\_state**`ProbabilityDistribution.add_state(state)`

Adds a state to the states list.

Adds a state to the states list in order to build the probability distribution.

**Parameters** `state` : State

An initial state.

**mlpy.mdp.distrib.ProbabilityDistribution.clear**`ProbabilityDistribution.clear()`

Clear the probability distribution.

**mlpy.mdp.distrib.ProbabilityDistribution.get**`ProbabilityDistribution.get()`

Retrieve the probability distribution.

**Returns** dict[State, float] :

A list of probabilities for all possible transitions.

**mlpy.mdp.distrib.ProbabilityDistribution.iadd**`ProbabilityDistribution.iadd(state, proba)`

In-place addition of the probability to the states probability.

If the state does not exist in the list of states, it will be added.

**Parameters** `state` : State

The state for which the probability is updated.

**proba** : float

The probability value to add to the state's probability.

**mlpy.mdp.distrib.ProbabilityDistribution.sample**`ProbabilityDistribution.sample()`

Returns a next state according to the probability distribution.

**Returns** State :

The next state sampled from the probability distribution.

## State and action information

<i>Experience</i>	Experience base class.
<i>RewardFunction</i>	The reward function.
<i>StateActionInfo</i>	The models interface.
<i>StateData</i>	State information interface.
<i>MDPPrimitive</i>	A Markov decision process primitive.
<i>State</i>	Representation of the state.
<i>Action</i>	Representation of an action.

### mlpy.mdp.stateaction.Experience

**class** mlpy.mdp.stateaction.**Experience** (*state*, *action*, *next\_state*, *reward=None*)

Bases: `object`

Experience base class.

Representation of an experience occurring from acting in the environment.

**Parameters** *state* : State

The representation of the current state.

**action** : Action

The executed action.

**next\_state** : State

The representation of the state following from acting with *action* in state *state*.

**reward** : int or float

The reward awarded by the environment for the state-action pair.

#### Attributes

<i>state</i>	(State) The experienced state
<i>action</i>	(Action) The experienced action.
<i>next_state</i>	(State) The experienced next state.
<i>reward</i>	(float) The experienced reward.

### mlpy.mdp.stateaction.RewardFunction

**class** mlpy.mdp.stateaction.**RewardFunction**

Bases: `object`

The reward function.

The reward function is responsible for calculating the proper value of the reward. Callback functions can be specified for custom calculation of the reward value.

## Notes

To ensure that the correct value of the reward is being accessed, the user should not access the class variables directly but instead use the methods `set` and `get` to set and get the reward respectively.

## Examples

```
>>> RewardFunction.cb_get = staticmethod(lambda r, s: np.dot(s, RewardFunction.
  　　reward))
```

In this case the reward function is calculated by taking the dot product of the stored reward and a passed in value.

```
>>> RewardFunction.reward = [0.1, 0.9, 1.0, 0.0]
```

This sets the reward for all instances of the reward function.

```
>>> reward_func = RewardFunction()
>>> print reward_func.get([0.9, 0.5, 0.0, 1.0])
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```

This calculates the reward  $r$  according to previously defined the callback function.

## Attributes

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<i>bonus</i>	The bonus added to the reward to encourage exploration.
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### mlpy.mdp.stateaction.RewardFunction.bonus

RewardFunction.**bonus**

The bonus added to the reward to encourage exploration.

**Returns** float :

The bonus added to the reward.

cb_get	(callable) Callback function to retrieve the reward value.
cb_set	(callable) Callback function to set the reward value.
reward	(float) The reward value.
rmax	(float) The maximum possible reward.
activate_bonus	(bool) Flag activating/deactivating the bonus.

## Methods

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<code>get(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Retrieve the reward value.
<code>set(value, *args, **kwargs)</code>	Set the reward value.

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## mlpy.mdp.stateaction.RewardFunction.get

RewardFunction.**get** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Retrieve the reward value.

If cb\_get is set, the callback will be called to retrieve the value.

**Parameters** args : tuple

Positional arguments passed to the callback.

kwargs : dict

Non-positional arguments passed to the callback.

**Returns** float :

The (calculated) reward value.

## mlpy.mdp.stateaction.RewardFunction.set

RewardFunction.**set** (value, \*args, \*\*kwargs)

Set the reward value.

If cb\_set is set, the callback will be called to set the value.

**Parameters** args : tuple

Positional arguments passed to the callback.

kwargs : dict

Non-positional arguments passed to the callback.

## mlpy.mdp.stateaction.StateActionInfo

class mlpy.mdp.stateaction.StateActionInfo

Bases: object

The models interface.

Contains all relevant information predicted by a model for a given state-action pair. This includes the (predicted) reward and transition probabilities to possible next states.

### Attributes

transition_proba	(ProbabilityDistribution) The transition probability distribution.
reward_func	(RewardFunction) The reward function.
visits	(int) The number of times the state-action pair has been visited.
known	(bool) Flag indicating whether a reward value is known or not.

## mlpy.mdp.stateaction.StateData

class mlpy.mdp.stateaction.StateData (state\_id, actions)

Bases: object

State information interface.

Information about the state can be accessed here.

**Parameters** `state_id` : int

The unique id of the state

`actions` : list[Action]

List of actions that can be taken in this state.

## Attributes

<code>id</code>	(int) The unique id of the state.
<code>models</code>	(dict) The reward and transition models for each action.
<code>q</code>	(dict) The q-table, containing a q-value for each action.
<code>steps_away</code>	(int) The number of steps the state is away from its closest neighbor.

## mlpy.mdp.stateaction.MDPPrimitive

**class** `mlpy.mdp.stateaction.MDPPrimitive` (`features, name=None`)  
**Bases:** `object`

A Markov decision process primitive.

The base class for `State` and `Action`. Primitives are represented by a list of features. They optionally can have a `name`.

**Parameters** `features` : array\_like, shape (`nfeatures,`)

List of features, where `nfeatures` is the number of features identifying the primitive.

`name` : str, optional

The name of the primitive. Default is “”.

**Raises** `ValueError`

If the feature array is not one-dimensional.

## Notes

Use the `description` to encode action information. The information should contain the list of all available feature combinations, the name of each feature.

**Examples** A description of an action with three possible discrete actions:

```
{
    "out": {"value": [-0.004]},
    "in": {"value": [0.004]},
    "kick": {"value": [-1.0]}
}
```

A description of an action with one possible continuous action with name `move`, a value of \* allows to find the action for every feature array. Additional information encodes the feature name together with its index into the feature array are given for each higher level element of feature array:

```
{  
    "move": {  
        "value": "*",  
        "descr": {  
            "LArm": {"dx": 0, "dy": 1, "dz": 2},  
            "RArm": {"dx": 3, "dy": 4, "dz": 5},  
            "LLeg": {"dx": 6, "dy": 7, "dz": 8},  
            "RLeg": {"dx": 9, "dy": 10, "dz": 11},  
            "Torso": {"dx": 12, "dy": 13, "dz": 14}  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Similarly, a continuous state can be encoded as follows, which identifies the name of each feature together with its index into the feature array:

```
{  
    "LArm": {"x": 0, "y": 1, "z": 2},  
    "RArm": {"x": 3, "y": 4, "z": 5},  
    "LLeg": {"x": 6, "y": 7, "z": 8},  
    "RLeg": {"x": 9, "y": 10, "z": 11},  
    "Torso": {"x": 12, "y": 13, "z": 14}  
}
```

A discrete state can be encoded by identifying the position of each feature:

```
{  
    "image x-position": 0,  
    "displacement (mm)": 1  
}
```

Alternatively, the feature can be identified by a list of features, giving the positional description:

```
["image x-position", "displacement (mm)"]
```

Rather than setting the attributes directly, use the methods `set_nfeatures`, `set_dtype`, `set_description`, `set_discretized`, `set_minmax_features`, and `set_states_per_dim` in order to enforce type checking.

## Attributes

<code>name</code>	The name of the MDP primitive.
<code>dtype</code>	

### `mlpy.mdp.stateaction.MDPPrimitive.name`

#### `MDPPrimitive.name`

The name of the MDP primitive.

#### `Returns str :`

The name of the primitive.

**mlpy.mdp.stateaction.MDPPrimitive.dtype**

```
MDPPrimitive.dtype = <Mock name='mock.float64' id='140284520557840'>
```

nfeatures	(int) The number of features.
discretized	(bool) Flag indicating whether the features are discretized or not.
min_features	(list) The minimum value for each feature.
max_features	(list) The maximum value for each feature.
states_per_dim	(list) The number of states per dimension.
description	(dict) A description of the features.

**Methods**

DTYPE_FLOAT	
DTYPE_INT	
DTYPE_OBJECT	
<i>decode</i> ( <i>_repr</i> )	Decodes the state into its original representation.
<i>discretize</i> ()	Discretizes the state.
<i>dtype</i>	
<i>encode</i> ()	Encodes the state into a human readable representation.
<i>get</i> ()	Return the feature array.
<i>key_to_index</i> ( <i>key</i> )	Maps internal name to group index.
<i>next</i> ()	
<i>set</i> ( <i>features</i> )	Sets the feature array to the given array.
<i>set_description</i> ( <i>descr</i> )	Set the feature description.
<i>set_discretized</i> ([ <i>val</i> ])	Sets the <i>discretized</i> flag.
<i>set_dtype</i> ([ <i>value</i> ])	Set the feature's data type.
<i>set_minmax_features</i> ( <i>_min</i> , <i>_max</i> )	Sets the minimum and maximum value for each feature.
<i>set_nfeatures</i> ( <i>n</i> )	Set the number of features.
<i>set_states_per_dim</i> ( <i>nstates</i> )	Sets the number of states per feature.
<i>tolist</i> ()	Returns the feature array as a list.

**mlpy.mdp.stateaction.MDPPrimitive.decode**

**classmethod** MDPPrimitive.*decode* (*\_repr*)  
Decodes the state into its original representation.

**Parameters** *\_repr* : tuple

The readable representation of the primitive.

**Returns** State :

The decoded state.

**Notes**

Optionally this method can be overwritten at runtime.

## Examples

```
>>> def my_decode(cls, _repr)
...     pass
...
>>> MDPPrimitive.decode = classmethod(my_decode)
```

### mlpy.mdp.stateaction.MDPPrimitive.discretize

MDPPrimitive.**discretize**()

Discretizes the state.

Discretize the state using the information from the minimum and maximum values for each feature and the number of states attributed to each feature.

### mlpy.mdp.stateaction.MDPPrimitive.encode

MDPPrimitive.**encode**()

Encodes the state into a human readable representation.

**Returns** ndarray :

The encoded state.

## Notes

Optionally this method can be overwritten at runtime.

## Examples

```
>>> def my_encode(self)
...     pass
...
>>> MDPPrimitive.encode = my_encode
```

### mlpy.mdp.stateaction.MDPPrimitive.get

MDPPrimitive.**get**()

Return the feature array.

**Returns** ndarray :

The feature array.

### mlpy.mdp.stateaction.MDPPrimitive.key\_to\_index

**static** MDPPrimitive.**key\_to\_index** (key)

Maps internal name to group index.

Maps the internal name of a feature to the index of the corresponding feature grouping. For example for a feature vector consisting of the x-y-z position of the left and the right arm, the features for the left and the

right arm can be extracted separately as a group, effectively splitting the feature vector into two vectors with x, y, and z at the positions specified by the the mapping of this function.

**Parameters** `key` : str

The key into the mapping

**Returns** int :

The index in the feature array.

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

If the child class does not implement this function.

## Notes

Optionally this method can be overwritten at runtime.

## Examples

```
>>> def my_key_to_index(key)
...     return {
...         "x": 0,
...         "y": 1,
...         "z": 2
...     }[key]
...
>>> State.description = {'LArm': {'x': 0, 'y': 1, 'z': 2},
...                       'RArm': {'x': 3, 'y': 4, 'z': 5}}
>>> State.key_to_index = staticmethod(my_key_to_index)
```

This specifies the mapping in both direction.

```
>>> state = [0.1, 0.4, 0.3, 4.6, 2.5, 0.9]
>>>
>>> mapping = State.description['LArm']
>>>
>>> larm = np.zeros(len(mapping.keys()))
>>> for key, axis in mapping.iteritems():
...     larm[State.key_to_index(key)] = state[axis]
...
>>> print larm
[0.1, 0.4, 0.3]
```

This extracts the features for the left arm from the *state* vector.

### mlpy.mdp.stateaction.MDPPrimitive.next

`MDPPrimitive.next()`

### mlpy.mdp.stateaction.MDPPrimitive.set

`MDPPrimitive.set(features)`

Sets the feature array to the given array.

**Parameters** `features` : array\_like, shape (*nfeatures*,)

The new feature values.

## mlpy.mdp.stateaction.MDPPrimitive.set\_description

**classmethod** `MDPPrimitive.set_description(descr)`

Set the feature description.

This extracts the number of features from the description and checks that it matches with the *nfeatures*. If *nfeatures* is None, *nfeatures* is set to the extracted value.

**Parameters** `descr` : dict

The feature description.

**Raises** `ValueError`

If the number of features extracted from the description does not match *nfeatures* or if *name* isn't of type string.

## Notes

Use the *description* to encode action information. The information should contain the list of all available feature combinations, the name of each feature.

## Examples

A description of an action with three possible discrete actions:

```
{  
    "out": {"value": [-0.004]},  
    "in": {"value": [0.004]},  
    "kick": {"value": [-1.0]}  
}
```

A description of an action with one possible continuous action with name *move*, a value of \* allows to find the action for every feature array. Additional information encodes the feature name together with its index into the feature array are given for each higher level element of feature array:

```
{  
    "move": {  
        "value": "*",  
        "descr": {  
            "LArm": {"dx": 0, "dy": 1, "dz": 2},  
            "RArm": {"dx": 3, "dy": 4, "dz": 5},  
            "LLeg": {"dx": 6, "dy": 7, "dz": 8},  
            "RLeg": {"dx": 9, "dy": 10, "dz": 11},  
            "Torso": {"dx": 12, "dy": 13, "dz": 14}  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Similarly, a continuous state can be encoded as follows, which identifies the name of each feature together with its index into the feature array:

```
{
    "LArm": { "x": 0, "y": 1, "z": 2 },
    "RArm": { "x": 3, "y": 4, "z": 5 },
    "LLeg": { "x": 6, "y": 7, "z": 8 },
    "RLeg": { "x": 9, "y": 10, "z": 11 },
    "Torso": { "x": 12, "y": 13, "z": 14 }
}
```

A discrete state can be encoded by identifying the position of each feature:

```
"descr": {
    "image x-position": 0,
    "displacement (mm)": 1
}
```

Alternatively, the feature can be identified by a list of features, giving the positional description:

```
["image x-position", "displacement (mm)"]
```

## `mlpy.mdp.stateaction.MDPPrimitive.set_discretized`

**classmethod** `MDPPrimitive.set_discretized(val=False)`

Sets the *discretized* flag.

**Parameters** `val` : bool

Flag identifying whether the features are discretized or not. Default is False.

**Raises** `ValueError`

If `val` is not boolean type.

## `mlpy.mdp.stateaction.MDPPrimitive.set_dtype`

**classmethod** `MDPPrimitive.set_dtype(value=<Mock  
id='140284520557840'>, name='mock.float64')`

Set the feature's data type.

**Parameters** `value` : {DTYPE\_FLOAT, DTYPE\_INT, DTYPE\_OBJECT}

The data type.

**Raises** `ValueError`

If the data type is not one of the allowed types.

## `mlpy.mdp.stateaction.MDPPrimitive.set_minmax_features`

**classmethod** `MDPPrimitive.set_minmax_features(_min, _max)`

Sets the minimum and maximum value for each feature.

This extracts the number of features from the `_min` and `_max` values and ensures that it matches with `nfeatures`. If `nfeatures` is None, the `nfeatures` attribute is set to the extracted value.

**Parameters** `_min` : array\_like, shape(`nfeatures`,

The minimum value for each feature

`_max` : array\_like, shape(*nfeatures*,)

The maximum value for each feature

**Raises ValueError**

If the arrays are not one-dimensional vectors, the shapes of the arrays don't match, or the number of features does not agree with the attribute *nfeatures*.

## mlpy.mdp.stateaction.MDPPrimitive.set\_nfeatures

**classmethod** MDPPrimitive.`set_nfeatures` (*n*)

Set the number of features.

**Parameters n** : int

The number of features.

**Raises ValueError**

If *n* is not of type integer.

## mlpy.mdp.stateaction.MDPPrimitive.set\_states\_per\_dim

**classmethod** MDPPrimitive.`set_states_per_dim` (*nstates*)

Sets the number of states per feature.

This extracts the number of features from *nstates* and compares it to the attribute *nfeatures*. If it doesn't match, an exception is thrown. If the *nfeatures* attribute is None, *nfeatures* is set to the extracted value.

**Parameters nstates** : array\_like, shape (*nfeatures*,)

The number of states per features

**Raises ValueError**

If the array is not a vector of length *nfeatures*.

## mlpy.mdp.stateaction.MDPPrimitive.tolist

MDPPrimitive.`tolist` ()

Returns the feature array as a list.

**Returns** list :

The features list.

## mlpy.mdp.stateaction.State

**class** mlpy.mdp.stateaction.`State` (*features*, *name*=None)

Bases: *mlpy.mdp.stateaction.MDPPrimitive*

Representation of the state.

States are represented by an array of features.

**Parameters features** : array\_like, shape (*nfeatures*,

List of features, where *nfeatures* is the number of features identifying the primitive.

**name** : str, optional

The name of the primitive. Default is “”.

## Notes

Use the *description* to encode action information. The information should contain the list of all available feature combinations, the name of each feature.

**Examples** A description of an action with three possible discrete actions:

```
{
    "out": {"value": [-0.004]},
    "in": {"value": [0.004]},
    "kick": {"value": [-1.0]}
}
```

A description of an action with one possible continuous action with name *move*, a value of \* allows to find the action for every feature array. Additional information encodes the feature name together with its index into the feature array are given for each higher level element of feature array:

```
{
    "move": {
        "value": "*",
        "descr": {
            "LArm": {"dx": 0, "dy": 1, "dz": 2},
            "RArm": {"dx": 3, "dy": 4, "dz": 5},
            "LLeg": {"dx": 6, "dy": 7, "dz": 8},
            "RLeg": {"dx": 9, "dy": 10, "dz": 11},
            "Torso": {"dx": 12, "dy": 13, "dz": 14}
        }
    }
}
```

Similarly, a continuous state can be encoded as follows, which identifies the name of each feature together with its index into the feature array:

```
{
    "LArm": {"x": 0, "y": 1, "z": 2},
    "RArm": {"x": 3, "y": 4, "z": 5},
    "LLeg": {"x": 6, "y": 7, "z": 8},
    "RLeg": {"x": 9, "y": 10, "z": 11},
    "Torso": {"x": 12, "y": 13, "z": 14}
}
```

A discrete state can be encoded by identifying the position of each feature:

```
{
    "image x-position": 0,
    "displacement (mm)": 1
}
```

Alternatively, the feature can be identified by a list of features, giving he positional description:

```
["image x-position", "displacement (mm)"]
```

Rather than setting the attributes directly, use the methods `set_nfeatures`, `set_dtype`, `set_description`, `set_discretized`, `set_minmax_features`, and `set_states_per_dim` in order to enforce type checking.

## Examples

```
>>> State.description = {'LArm': {'x': 0, 'y': 1, 'z': 2}
...                      'RArm': {'x': 3, 'y': 4, 'z': 5}}
```

This description identifies the features to be the x-y-z-position of the left and the right arm. The position into the feature array is given by the integer numbers.

```
>>> def my_key_to_index(key)
...     return {
...         "x": 0,
...         "y": 1,
...         "z": 2
...     }[key]
...
>>> State.key_to_index = staticmethod(my_key_to_index)
```

This defines a mapping for each key.

```
>>> state = [0.1, 0.4, 0.3, 4.6, 2.5, 0.9]
>>>
>>> mapping = State.description['LArm']
>>>
>>> larm = np.zeros(len(mapping.keys()))
>>> for key, axis in mapping.iteritems():
...     larm[State.key_to_index(key)] = state[axis]
...
>>> print larm
[0.1, 0.4, 0.3]
```

This extracts the features for the left arm from the `state` vector.

```
>>> s1 = State([0.1, 0.4, 0.2])
>>> s2 = State([0.5, 0.3, 0.5])
>>> print s1 - s2
[-0.4, 0.1, -0.3]
```

Subtract states from each other.

```
>>> print s1 * s2
[0.05, 0.12, 0.1]
```

Multiplies two states with each other.

```
>>> s1 *= s2
>>> print s1
[0.05, 0.12, 0.1]
```

Multiplies two states in place.

## Attributes

---

<code>name</code>	The name of the MDP primitive.
<code>dtype</code>	

---

**mlpy.mdp.stateaction.State.name**`State.name`

The name of the MDP primitive.

**Returns** str :

The name of the primitive.

**mlpy.mdp.stateaction.State.dtype**`State.dtype = <Mock name='mock.float64' id='140284520557840'>`

<code>nfeatures</code>	(int) The number of features.
<code>discretized</code>	(bool) Flag indicating whether the features are discretized or not.
<code>min_features</code>	(list) The minimum value for each feature.
<code>max_features</code>	(list) The maximum value for each feature.
<code>states_per_dim</code>	(list) The number of states per dimension.
<code>description</code>	(dict) A description of the features.

**Methods**


---

<code>DTYPE_FLOAT</code>	
<code>DTYPE_INT</code>	
<code>DTYPE_OBJECT</code>	
<code>decode(_repr)</code>	Decodes the state into its original representation.
<code>discretize()</code>	Discretizes the state.
<code>dtype</code>	
<code>encode()</code>	Encodes the state into a human readable representation.
<code>get()</code>	Return the feature array.
<code>is_initial()</code>	Checks if the state is an initial state.
<code>is_terminal()</code>	Checks if the state is a terminal state.
<code>is_valid()</code>	Check if this state is a valid state.
<code>key_to_index(key)</code>	Maps internal name to group index.
<code>next()</code>	
<code>set(features)</code>	Sets the feature array to the given array.
<code>set_description(descr)</code>	Set the feature description.
<code>set_discretized([val])</code>	Sets the <i>discretized</i> flag.
<code>set_dtype([value])</code>	Set the feature's data type.
<code>set_minmax_features(_min, _max)</code>	Sets the minimum and maximum value for each feature.
<code>set_nfeatures(n)</code>	Set the number of features.
<code>set_states_per_dim(nstates)</code>	Sets the number of states per feature.
<code>tolist()</code>	Returns the feature array as a list.

---

## mipy.mdp.stateaction.State.decode

```
State.decode (_repr)
Decodes the state into its original representation.

Parameters _repr : tuple
The readable representation of the primitive.

Returns State :
The decoded state.
```

### Notes

Optionally this method can be overwritten at runtime.

### Examples

```
>>> def my_decode(cls, _repr)
...     pass
...
>>> MDPPrimitive.decode = classmethod(my_decode)
```

## mipy.mdp.stateaction.State.discretize

```
State.discretize()
Discretizes the state.

Discretize the state using the information from the minimum and maximum values for each feature and the number of states attributed to each feature.
```

## mipy.mdp.stateaction.State.encode

```
State.encode()
Encodes the state into a human readable representation.

Returns ndarray :
The encoded state.
```

### Notes

Optionally this method can be overwritten at runtime.

### Examples

```
>>> def my_encode(self)
...     pass
...
>>> MDPPrimitive.encode = my_encode
```

**mlpy.mdp.stateaction.State.get****State.get()**

Return the feature array.

**Returns** ndarray :

The feature array.

**mlpy.mdp.stateaction.State.is\_initial****State.is\_initial()**

Checks if the state is an initial state.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the state is an initial state or not.

**mlpy.mdp.stateaction.State.is\_terminal****State.is\_terminal()**

Checks if the state is a terminal state.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the state is a terminal state or not.

**mlpy.mdp.stateaction.State.is\_valid****State.is\_valid()**

Check if this state is a valid state.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the state is valid or not.

**Notes**

Optionally this method can be overwritten at runtime.

**Examples**

```
>>> def my_is_valid(self)
...     pass
...
>>> MDPPrimitive.is_valid = my_is_valid
```

**mlpy.mdp.stateaction.State.key\_to\_index****State.key\_to\_index(key)**

Maps internal name to group index.

Maps the internal name of a feature to the index of the corresponding feature grouping. For example for a feature vector consisting of the x-y-z position of the left and the right arm, the features for the left and the right arm can be extracted separately as a group, effectively splitting the feature vector into two vectors with x, y, and z at the positions specified by the the mapping of this function.

**Parameters** `key` : str

The key into the mapping

**Returns** int :

The index in the feature array.

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

If the child class does not implement this function.

## Notes

Optionally this method can be overwritten at runtime.

## Examples

```
>>> def my_key_to_index(key)
...     return {
...         "x": 0,
...         "y": 1,
...         "z": 2
...     }[key]
...
>>> State.description = {'LArm': {'x': 0, 'y': 1, 'z': 2},
...                       'RArm': {'x': 3, 'y': 4, 'z': 5}}
>>> State.key_to_index = staticmethod(my_key_to_index)
```

This specifies the mapping in both direction.

```
>>> state = [0.1, 0.4, 0.3, 4.6, 2.5, 0.9]
>>>
>>> mapping = State.description['LArm']
>>>
>>> larm = np.zeros(len(mapping.keys()))
>>> for key, axis in mapping.iteritems():
...     larm[State.key_to_index(key)] = state[axis]
...
>>> print larm
[0.1, 0.4, 0.3]
```

This extracts the features for the left arm from the `state` vector.

## **mipy.mdp.stateaction.State.next**

`State.next()`

**mlpy.mdp.stateaction.State.set****State.set** (*features*)

Sets the feature array to the given array.

**Parameters** **features** : array\_like, shape (*nfeatures*,

The new feature values.

**mlpy.mdp.stateaction.State.set\_description****State.set\_description** (*descr*)

Set the feature description.

This extracts the number of features from the description and checks that it matches with the *nfeatures*. If *nfeatures* is None, *nfeatures* is set to the extracted value.**Parameters** **descr** : dict

The feature description.

**Raises** **ValueError**If the number of features extracted from the description does not match *nfeatures* or if *name* isn't of type string.**Notes**Use the *description* to encode action information. The information should contain the list of all available feature combinations, the name of each feature.**Examples**

A description of an action with three possible discrete actions:

```
{
    "out": {"value": [-0.004]},
    "in": {"value": [0.004]},
    "kick": {"value": [-1.0]}
}
```

A description of an action with one possible continuous action with name *move*, a value of \* allows to find the action for every feature array. Additional information encodes the feature name together with its index into the feature array are given for each higher level element of feature array:

```
{
    "move": {
        "value": "*",
        "descr": {
            "LArm": {"dx": 0, "dy": 1, "dz": 2},
            "RArm": {"dx": 3, "dy": 4, "dz": 5},
            "LLeg": {"dx": 6, "dy": 7, "dz": 8},
            "RLeg": {"dx": 9, "dy": 10, "dz": 11},
            "Torso": {"dx": 12, "dy": 13, "dz": 14}
        }
}
```

```
    }
}
```

Similarly, a continuous state can be encoded as follows, which identifies the name of each feature together with its index into the feature array:

```
{
    "LArm": {"x": 0, "y": 1, "z": 2},
    "RArm": {"x": 3, "y": 4, "z": 5},
    "LLeg": {"x": 6, "y": 7, "z": 8},
    "RLeg": {"x": 9, "y": 10, "z": 11},
    "Torso": {"x": 12, "y": 13, "z": 14}
}
```

A discrete state can be encoded by identifying the position of each feature:

```
"descr": {
    "image x-position": 0,
    "displacement (mm)": 1
}
```

Alternatively, the feature can be identified by a list of features, giving the positional description:

```
["image x-position", "displacement (mm)"]
```

## mlpy.mdp.stateaction.State.set\_discretized

`State.set_discretized(val=False)`

Sets the *discretized* flag.

**Parameters** `val` : bool

Flag identifying whether the features are discretized or not. Default is False.

**Raises** `ValueError`

If `val` is not boolean type.

## mlpy.mdp.stateaction.State.set\_dtype

`State.set_dtype(value=<Mock name='mock.float64' id='140284520557840'>)`

Set the feature's data type.

**Parameters** `value` : {DTYPE\_FLOAT, DTYPE\_INT, DTYPE\_OBJECT}

The data type.

**Raises** `ValueError`

If the data type is not one of the allowed types.

## mlpy.mdp.stateaction.State.set\_minmax\_features

`State.set_minmax_features(_min, _max)`

Sets the minimum and maximum value for each feature.

This extracts the number of features from the `_min` and `_max` values and ensures that it matches with `nfeatures`. If `nfeatures` is None, the `nfeatures` attribute is set to the extracted value.

**Parameters** `_min` : array\_like, shape(`nfeatures`,)

The minimum value for each feature

`_max` : array\_like, shape(`nfeatures`,)

The maximum value for each feature

**Raises** `ValueError`

If the arrays are not one-dimensional vectors, the shapes of the arrays don't match, or the number of features does not agree with the attribute `nfeatures`.

### mlpy.mdp.stateaction.State.set\_nfeatures

`State.set_nfeatures(n)`

Set the number of features.

**Parameters** `n` : int

The number of features.

**Raises** `ValueError`

If `n` is not of type integer.

### mlpy.mdp.stateaction.State.set\_states\_per\_dim

`State.set_states_per_dim(nstates)`

Sets the number of states per feature.

This extracts the number of features from `nstates` and compares it to the attribute `nfeatures`. If it doesn't match, an exception is thrown. If the `nfeatures` attribute is None, `nfeatures` is set to the extracted value.

**Parameters** `nstates` : array\_like, shape (`nfeatures`,)

The number of states per features

**Raises** `ValueError`

If the array is not a vector of length `nfeatures`.

### mlpy.mdp.stateaction.State.tolist

`State.tolist()`

Returns the feature array as a list.

**Returns** list :

The features list.

## mlpy.mdp.stateaction.Action

**class** `mlpy.mdp.stateaction.Action(features, name=None)`

Bases: `mlpy.mdp.stateaction.MDPPrimitive`

Representation of an action.

Actions are represented by an array of features.

**Parameters** `features` : array\_like, shape (`nfeatures`,

List of features, where `nfeatures` is the number of features identifying the primitive.

`name` : str, optional

The name of the primitive. Default is ''.

## Notes

Use the *description* to encode action information. The information should contain the list of all available feature combinations, the name of each feature.

**Examples** A description of an action with three possible discrete actions:

```
{  
    "out": {"value": [-0.004]},  
    "in": {"value": [0.004]},  
    "kick": {"value": [-1.0]}  
}
```

A description of an action with one possible continuous action with name *move*, a value of \* allows to find the action for every feature array. Additional information encodes the feature name together with its index into the feature array are given for each higher level element of feature array:

```
{  
    "move": {  
        "value": "*",
        "descr": {  
            "LArm": {"dx": 0, "dy": 1, "dz": 2},  
            "RArm": {"dx": 3, "dy": 4, "dz": 5},  
            "LLeg": {"dx": 6, "dy": 7, "dz": 8},  
            "RLeg": {"dx": 9, "dy": 10, "dz": 11},  
            "Torso": {"dx": 12, "dy": 13, "dz": 14}  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Similarly, a continuous state can be encoded as follows, which identifies the name of each feature together with its index into the feature array:

```
{  
    "LArm": {"x": 0, "y": 1, "z": 2},  
    "RArm": {"x": 3, "y": 4, "z": 5},  
    "LLeg": {"x": 6, "y": 7, "z": 8},  
    "RLeg": {"x": 9, "y": 10, "z": 11},  
    "Torso": {"x": 12, "y": 13, "z": 14}  
}
```

A discrete state can be encoded by identifying the position of each feature:

```
{  
    "image x-position": 0,  
    "displacement (mm)": 1  
}
```

Alternatively, the feature can be identified by a list of features, giving the positional description:

```
[ "image x-position", "displacement (mm) " ]
```

Rather than setting the attributes directly, use the methods `set_nfeatures`, `set_dtype`, `set_description`, `set_discretized`, `set_minmax_features`, and `set_states_per_dim` in order to enforce type checking.

## Examples

```
>>> Action.set_description({ 'LArm': { 'dx': 0, 'dy': 1, 'dz': 2},
...                           'RArm': { 'dx': 3, 'dy': 4, 'dz': 5}})
```

This description identifies the features to be the delta x-y-z-position of the left and the right arm. The position into the feature array is given by the integer numbers.

```
>>> def my_key_to_index(key):
...     return {
...         "dx": 0,
...         "dy": 1,
...         "dz": 2
...     }[key]
...
>>> Action.key_to_index = staticmethod(my_key_to_index)
```

This defines a mapping for each key.

```
>>> action = [0.1, 0.4, 0.3, 4.6, 2.5, 0.9]
>>>
>>> mapping = Action.description['LArm']
>>>
>>> larm = np.zeros(len(mapping.keys()))
>>> for key, axis in mapping.iteritems():
...     larm[Action.key_to_index(key)] = action[axis]
...
>>> print larm
[0.1, 0.4, 0.3]
```

This extracts the features for the left arm from the *action* vector.

```
>>> a1 = Action([0.1, 0.4, 0.2])
>>> a2 = Action([0.5, 0.3, 0.5])
>>> print a1 - a2
[-0.4, 0.1, -0.3]
```

Subtract actions from each other.

```
>>> print a1 * a2
[0.05, 0.12, 0.1]
```

Multiples two actions with each other.

```
>>> a1 *= a2
>>> print a1
[0.05, 0.12, 0.1]
```

Multiples two actions in place.

## Attributes

---

<code>name</code>	The name of the MDP primitive.
<code>dtype</code>	

---

### mlpy.mdp.stateaction.Action.name

`Action.name`

The name of the MDP primitive.

**Returns** str :

The name of the primitive.

### mlpy.mdp.stateaction.Action.dtype

`Action.dtype = <Mock name='mock.float64' id='140284520557840'>`

<code>nfeatures</code>	(int) The number of features.
<code>discretized</code>	(bool) Flag indicating whether the features are discretized or not.
<code>min_features</code>	(list) The minimum value for each feature.
<code>max_features</code>	(list) The maximum value for each feature.
<code>states_per_dim</code>	(list) The number of states per dimension.
<code>description</code>	(dict) A description of the features.

## Methods

---

<code>DTYPE_FLOAT</code>	
<code>DTYPE_INT</code>	
<code>DTYPE_OBJECT</code>	
<code>decode(_repr)</code>	Decodes the state into its original representation.
<code>discretize()</code>	Discretizes the state.
<code>dtype</code>	
<code>encode()</code>	Encodes the state into a human readable representation.
<code>get()</code>	Return the feature array.
<code>get_name(features)</code>	Retrieves the name of the action.
<code>get_noop_action()</code>	Creates a <i>no-op</i> action.
<code>key_to_index(key)</code>	Maps internal name to group index.
<code>next()</code>	
<code>set(features)</code>	Sets the feature array to the given array.
<code>set_description(descr)</code>	Set the feature description.
<code>set_discretized([val])</code>	Sets the <i>discretized</i> flag.
<code>set_dtype([value])</code>	Set the feature's data type.
<code>set_minmax_features(_min, _max)</code>	Sets the minimum and maximum value for each feature.
<code>set_nfeatures(n)</code>	Set the number of features.
<code>set_states_per_dim(nstates)</code>	Sets the number of states per feature.
<code>tolist()</code>	Returns the feature array as a list.

---

## mlpy.mdp.stateaction.Action.decode

`Action.decode(_repr)`  
 Decodes the state into its original representation.

**Parameters** `_repr` : tuple  
 The readable representation of the primitive.

**Returns** State :  
 The decoded state.

### Notes

Optionally this method can be overwritten at runtime.

### Examples

```
>>> def my_decode(cls, _repr)
...     pass
...
>>> MDPPrimitive.decode = classmethod(my_decode)
```

## mlpy.mdp.stateaction.Action.discretize

`Action.discretize()`  
 Discretizes the state.

Discretize the state using the information from the minimum and maximum values for each feature and the number of states attributed to each feature.

## mlpy.mdp.stateaction.Action.encode

`Action.encode()`  
 Encodes the state into a human readable representation.

**Returns** ndarray :  
 The encoded state.

### Notes

Optionally this method can be overwritten at runtime.

### Examples

```
>>> def my_encode(self)
...     pass
...
>>> MDPPrimitive.encode = my_encode
```

## `mipy.mdp.stateaction.Action.get`

`Action.get()`

Return the feature array.

**Returns** ndarray :

The feature array.

## `mipy.mdp.stateaction.Action.get_name`

`classmethod Action.get_name(features)`

Retrieves the name of the action.

Retrieve the name of the action using the action's description. In the case that all features are zero the action is considered a *no-op* action.

**Parameters** `features` : ndarray

A feature array.

**Returns** str :

The name of the action.

## `mipy.mdp.stateaction.Action.get_noop_action`

`classmethod Action.get_noop_action()`

Creates a *no-op* action.

A *no-op* action does not have any effect.

**Returns** Action :

A *no-op* action.

## `mipy.mdp.stateaction.Action.key_to_index`

`Action.key_to_index(key)`

Maps internal name to group index.

Maps the internal name of a feature to the index of the corresponding feature grouping. For example for a feature vector consisting of the x-y-z position of the left and the right arm, the features for the left and the right arm can be extracted separately as a group, effectively splitting the feature vector into two vectors with x, y, and z at the positions specified by the the mapping of this function.

**Parameters** `key` : str

The key into the mapping

**Returns** int :

The index in the feature array.

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

If the child class does not implement this function.

## Notes

Optionally this method can be overwritten at runtime.

## Examples

```
>>> def my_key_to_index(key)
...     return {
...         "x": 0,
...         "y": 1,
...         "z": 2
...     }[key]
...
>>> State.description = {'LArm': {'x': 0, 'y': 1, 'z': 2}
...                         'RArm': {'x': 3, 'y': 4, 'z': 5}}
>>> State.key_to_index = staticmethod(my_key_to_index)
```

This specifies the mapping in both direction.

```
>>> state = [0.1, 0.4, 0.3, 4.6, 2.5, 0.9]
>>>
>>> mapping = State.description['LArm']
>>>
>>> larm = np.zeros(len(mapping.keys()))
>>> for key, axis in mapping.iteritems():
...     larm[State.key_to_index(key)] = state[axis]
...
>>> print larm
[0.1, 0.4, 0.3]
```

This extracts the features for the left arm from the *state* vector.

### mlpy.mdp.stateaction.Action.next

`Action.next()`

### mlpy.mdp.stateaction.Action.set

`Action.set(features)`

Sets the feature array to the given array.

**Parameters** `features` : array\_like, shape (*nfeatures*,

The new feature values.

### mlpy.mdp.stateaction.Action.set\_description

`Action.set_description(descr)`

Set the feature description.

This extracts the number of features from the description and checks that it matches with the *nfeatures*. If *nfeatures* is None, *nfeatures* is set to the extracted value.

**Parameters** `descr` : dict

The feature description.

#### Raises `ValueError`

If the number of features extracted from the description does not match `nfeatures` or if `name` isn't of type string.

### Notes

Use the `description` to encode action information. The information should contain the list of all available feature combinations, the name of each feature.

### Examples

A description of an action with three possible discrete actions:

```
{  
    "out": {"value": [-0.004]},  
    "in": {"value": [0.004]},  
    "kick": {"value": [-1.0]}  
}
```

A description of an action with one possible continuous action with name `move`, a value of `*` allows to find the action for every feature array. Additional information encodes the feature name together with its index into the feature array are given for each higher level element of feature array:

```
{  
    "move": {  
        "value": "*",  
        "descr": {  
            "LArm": {"dx": 0, "dy": 1, "dz": 2},  
            "RArm": {"dx": 3, "dy": 4, "dz": 5},  
            "LLeg": {"dx": 6, "dy": 7, "dz": 8},  
            "RLeg": {"dx": 9, "dy": 10, "dz": 11},  
            "Torso": {"dx": 12, "dy": 13, "dz": 14}  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Similarly, a continuous state can be encoded as follows, which identifies the name of each feature together with its index into the feature array:

```
{  
    "LArm": {"x": 0, "y": 1, "z": 2},  
    "RArm": {"x": 3, "y": 4, "z": 5},  
    "LLeg": {"x": 6, "y": 7, "z": 8},  
    "RLeg": {"x": 9, "y": 10, "z": 11},  
    "Torso": {"x": 12, "y": 13, "z": 14}  
}
```

A discrete state can be encoded by identifying the position of each feature:

```
"descr": {  
    "image x-position": 0,  
    "displacement (mm)": 1  
}
```

Alternatively, the feature can be identified by a list of features, giving the positional description:

```
[ "image x-position", "displacement (mm) " ]
```

## **mlpy.mdp.stateaction.Action.set\_discretized**

Action.**set\_discretized**(*val=False*)

Sets the *discretized* flag.

**Parameters** **val** : bool

Flag identifying whether the features are discretized or not. Default is False.

**Raises** **ValueError**

If *val* is not boolean type.

## **mlpy.mdp.stateaction.Action.set\_dtype**

Action.**set\_dtype**(*value=<Mock name='mock.float64' id='140284520557840'>*)

Set the feature's data type.

**Parameters** **value** : {DTYPE\_FLOAT, DTYPE\_INT, DTYPE\_OBJECT}

The data type.

**Raises** **ValueError**

If the data type is not one of the allowed types.

## **mlpy.mdp.stateaction.Action.set\_minmax\_features**

Action.**set\_minmax\_features**(*\_min*, *\_max*)

Sets the minimum and maximum value for each feature.

This extracts the number of features from the *\_min* and *\_max* values and ensures that it matches with *nfeatures*. If *nfeatures* is None, the *nfeatures* attribute is set to the extracted value.

**Parameters** **\_min** : array\_like, shape(*nfeatures*,)

The minimum value for each feature

**\_max** : array\_like, shape(*nfeatures*,)

The maximum value for each feature

**Raises** **ValueError**

If the arrays are not one-dimensional vectors, the shapes of the arrays don't match, or the number of features does not agree with the attribute *nfeatures*.

## **mlpy.mdp.stateaction.Action.set\_nfeatures**

Action.**set\_nfeatures**(*n*)

Set the number of features.

**Parameters** **n** : int

The number of features.

**Raises ValueError**

If  $n$  is not of type integer.

**mipy.mdp.stateaction.Action.set\_states\_per\_dim**

Action.**set\_states\_per\_dim**( $nstates$ )

Sets the number of states per feature.

This extracts the number of features from  $nstates$  and compares it to the attribute  $nfeatures$ . If it doesn't match, an exception is thrown. If the  $nfeatures$  attribute is None,  $nfeatures$  is set to the extracted value.

**Parameters**  $nstates$  : array\_like, shape ( $nfeatures$ ,)

The number of states per features

**Raises ValueError**

If the array is not a vector of length  $nfeatures$ .

**mipy.mdp.stateaction.Action.tolist**

Action.**tolist**()

Returns the feature array as a list.

**Returns** list :

The features list.

# CHAPTER 17

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## Modules and design patterns (`mlpy.modules`)

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This module contains various modules and design patterns.

### Modules

<code>UniqueModule</code>	Class ensuring each instance has a unique name.
<code>Module</code>	Base module class from which most modules inherit from.

### `mlpy.modules.UniqueModule`

`class mlpy.modules.UniqueModule(mid=None)`  
Bases: `object`

Class ensuring each instance has a unique name.

The unique id can either be passed to the class or if none is passed, it will be generated using the module and class name.

**Parameters** `mid` : str

The module's unique identifier

### Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.modules import UniqueModule
>>> class MyClass(UniqueModule):
>>>
>>>     def __init__(self, mid=None):
>>>         super(MyClass, self).__init__(mid)
```

This creates a unique model.

## Attributes

---

<code>mid</code>	The module's unique identifier.
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---

### **mlpy.modules.UniqueModule.mid**

`UniqueModule.mid`

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

## Methods

---

<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.

---

### **mlpy.modules.UniqueModule.load**

**classmethod** `UniqueModule.load(filename)`

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to load from.

## Notes

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

### **mlpy.modules.UniqueModule.save**

`UniqueModule.save(filename)`

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to save to.

## **mlpy.modules.Module**

**class** `mlpy.modules.Module(mid=None)`

Bases: `mlpy.modules.UniqueModule`

Base module class from which most modules inherit from.

The base module class handles processing of the program loop. A module inherits from the unique module class, thus every module has a unique name.

**Parameters** `mid` : str

---

The module's unique identifier

## Examples

To create a module handling the program loop, write

```
>>> from mlpy.modules import Module
>>> class MyClass(Module):
>>>     pass
```

## Attributes

---

`mid`

The module's unique identifier.

### mlpy.modules.Module.mid

`Module.mid`

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

## Methods

<code>enter(t)</code>	Enter the module and perform initialization tasks.
<code>exit()</code>	Exit the module and perform cleanup tasks.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>reset(t, **kwargs)</code>	Reset the module.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>update(dt)</code>	Update the module at every delta time step dt.

### mlpy.modules.Module.enter

`Module.enter(t)`

Enter the module and perform initialization tasks.

**Parameters** `t` : float

The current time (sec)

### mlpy.modules.Module.exit

`Module.exit()`

Exit the module and perform cleanup tasks.

### **mipy.modules.Module.load**

`Module.load(filename)`

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters filename : str**

The name of the file to load from.

#### **Notes**

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

### **mipy.modules.Module.reset**

`Module.reset(t, **kwargs)`

Reset the module.

**Parameters t : float**

The current time (sec)

**kwargs : dict**

Additional non-positional parameters.

### **mipy.modules.Module.save**

`Module.save(filename)`

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters filename : str**

The name of the file to save to.

### **mipy.modules.Module.update**

`Module.update(dt)`

Update the module at every delta time step dt.

**Parameters dt : float**

The elapsed time (sec)

## **Patterns**

<i>Borg</i>	Class ensuring that all instances share the same state.
<i>Observable</i>	The observable base class.
<i>Listener</i>	The listener interface.

## mlpy.modules.patterns.Borg

**class** mlpy.modules.patterns.**Borg**  
 Bases: `object`

Class ensuring that all instances share the same state.

The borg design pattern ensures that all instances of a class share the same state and provides a global point of access to the shared state.

Rather than enforcing that only ever one instance of a class exists, the borg design pattern ensures that all instances share the same state. That means every the values of the member variables are the same for every instance of the borg class.

The member variables which are to be shared among all instances must be declared as class variables.

**See also:**

*Singleton*

### Notes

One side effect is that if you subclass a borg, the objects all have the same state, whereas subclass objects of a singleton have different states.

### Examples

Create a borg class:

```
>>> from mlpy.modules.patterns import Borg
>>> class MyClass(Borg):
>>>     shared_variable = None
```

---

#### Note:

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## mlpy.modules.patterns.Observable

**class** mlpy.modules.patterns.**Observable** (*mid=None*)  
 Bases: `mlpy.modules.UniqueModule`

The observable base class.

The observable keeps a record of all listeners and notifies them of the events they have subscribed to by calling `Listener.notify`.

The listeners are notified by calling `dispatch`. Listeners are notified if either the event that is being dispatched is None or the listener has subscribed to a None event, or the name of the event the listener has subscribed to is equal to the name of the dispatching event.

An event is an object consisting of the *source*; i.e. the observable, the event *name*, and the event *data* to be passed to the listener.

**Parameters** `mid` : str

The module's unique identifier

## Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.modules.patterns import Observable
>>>
>>> class MyObservable(Observable):
>>>     pass
>>>
>>> o = MyObservable()
```

This defines the observable *MyObservable* and creates an instance of it.

```
>>> from mlpy.modules.patterns import Listener
>>>
>>> class MyListener(Listener):
>>>
>>>     def notify(self, event):
>>>         print "I have been notified!"
>>>
>>> l = MyListener(o, "test")
```

This defines the listener *MyListener* that when notified will print the same text to the console regardless of which event has been thrown (as long as the listener has subscribed to the event). Then an instance of *MyListener* is created that subscribes to the event *test* of *MyObservable*.

When the event *test* is dispatched by the observable, the listener is notified and the text is printed on the stdout:

```
>>> o.dispatch("test", **{})
I have been notified!
```

## Attributes

---

`mid`

The module's unique identifier.

---

### `mlpy.modules.patterns.Observable.mid`

`Observable.mid`

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

## Methods

---

`dispatch(name, **attrs)`

Dispatch the event to all listeners.

---

`load(filename)`

Load the state of the module from file.

---

`save(filename)`

Save the current state of the module to file.

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<code>subscribe(listener[, events])</code>	Subscribe to the observable.
<code>unsubscribe(listener)</code>	Unsubscribe from the observable.

**mlpy.modules.patterns.Observable.dispatch**

`Observable.dispatch(name, **attrs)`  
Dispatch the event to all listeners.

**Parameters** `name` : str

The name of the event to dispatch.

`attrs` : dict

The information send to the listeners.

**mlpy.modules.patterns.Observable.load**

`Observable.load(filename)`  
Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to load from.

**Notes**

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

**mlpy.modules.patterns.Observable.save**

`Observable.save(filename)`  
Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to save to.

**mlpy.modules.patterns.Observable.subscribe**

`Observable.subscribe(listener, events=None)`  
Subscribe to the observable.

**Parameters** `listener` : Listener

The listener instance.

`events` : str or list[str] or tuple[str] or None

The event names the listener wants to be notified about.

## mlpy.modules.patterns.Observable.unsubscribe

`Observable.unsubscribe (listener)`

Unsubscribe from the observable.

The listener is removed from the list of listeners.

**Parameters** `listener` : Listener

The listener instance.

## mlpy.modules.patterns.Listener

```
class mlpy.modules.patterns.Listener (o=None, events=None)
Bases: object
```

The listener interface.

A listener subscribes to an observable identifying the events the listener is interested in. The observable calls `notify` to send relevant event information.

**Parameters** `o` : Observable, optional

The observable instance.

`events` : str or list[str], optional

The event names the listener wants to be notified about.

## Notes

Every class inheriting from Listener must implement `notify`, which defines what to do with the information send by the observable.

## Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.modules.patterns import Observable
>>>
>>> class MyObservable(Observable):
>>>     pass
>>>
>>> o = MyObservable()
```

This defines the observable *MyObservable* and creates an instance of it.

```
>>> from mlpy.modules.patterns import Listener
>>>
>>> class MyListener(Listener):
>>>
>>>     def notify(self, event):
>>>         print "I have been notified!"
>>>
>>> l = MyListener(o, "test")
```

This defines the listener *MyListener* that when notified will print the same text to the console regardless of which event has been thrown (as long as the listener has subscribed to the event). Then an instance of MyListener is created that subscribes to the event *test* of *MyObservable*.

When the event *test* is dispatched by the observable, the listener is notified and the text is printed on the stdout:

```
>>> o.dispatch("test", **{})
I have been notified!
```

## Methods

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<code>notify(event)</code>	Notification from the observable.
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### `mlpy.modules.patterns.Listener.notify`

`Listener.notify(event)`  
Notification from the observable.

**Parameters** `event` : `Observable.Event`

The event object dispatched by the observable consisting of *source*; i.e. the observable, the event *name*, and the event *data*.

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

If the child class does not implement this function.

## Notes

This is an abstract method and *must* be implemented by its deriving class.

## Meta classes

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<code>Singleton</code>	Metaclass ensuring only one instance of the class exists.
<code>RegistryInterface</code>	Metaclass registering all subclasses derived from a given class.

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### `mlpy.modules.patterns.Singleton`

`class mlpy.modules.patterns.Singleton`  
Bases: `type`

Metaclass ensuring only one instance of the class exists.

The singleton pattern ensures that a class has only one instance and provides a global point of access to that instance.

**See also:**

*Borg*

## Notes

To define a class as a singleton include the `__metaclass__` directive.

## Examples

Define a singleton class:

```
>>> from mlpy.modules.patterns import Singleton
>>> class MyClass(object):
...     __metaclass__ = Singleton
```

---

### Note:

Project: Code from StackOverflow.

Code author: theheadofabroom

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## Methods

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<code>__call__(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Returns instance to object.
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### `mlpy.modules.patterns.Singleton.__call__`

`Singleton.__call__(*args, **kwargs)`

Returns instance to object.

## `mlpy.modules.patterns.RegistryInterface`

`class mlpy.modules.patterns.RegistryInterface(name, bases, dct)`  
Bases: `type`

Metaclass registering all subclasses derived from a given class.

The registry interface adds every class derived from a given class to its registry dictionary. The `registry` attribute is a class variable and can be accessed anywhere. Therefore, this interface can be used to find all subclass of a given class.

One use case are factory classes.

## Examples

Create a registry class:

```
>>> from mlpy.modules.patterns import RegistryInterface
>>> class MyRegistryClass(object):
...     __metaclass__ = RegistryInterface
```

---

### Note:

Project: Code from A Primer on Python Metaclasses.

Code author: Jake Vanderplas

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## Attributes

registry	(list) List of all classes deriving from a registry class.
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## Methods

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<code>__init__(name, bases, dct)</code>	Register the deriving class on instantiation.
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# CHAPTER 18

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## Optimization tools (`mlpy.optimize`)

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### Algorithms

*EM*

Expectation-Maximization module base class.

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#### `mlpy.optimize.algorithms.EM`

**class** `mlpy.optimize.algorithms.EM` (*n\_iter=None, thresh=None, verbose=None*)  
Bases: `object`

Expectation-Maximization module base class.

Representation of the expectation-maximization (EM) model. This class allows for the execution of the expectation- maximization algorithm by providing functionality for random restarts and convergence checking.

See the instance documentation for details specific to a particular implementation of the EM algorithm.

**Parameters** `n_iter` : int, optional

The number of iterations to perform. Default is 100.

`thresh` : float, optional

The convergence threshold. Default is 1e-4.

`verbose` : bool, optional

Controls if debug information is printed to the console. Default is False.

**See also:**

`HMM`, `GMM`

## Notes

Classes that deriving from the EM base class must overwrite the following private functions:

**\_initialize(obs, init\_count)** Perform initialization before entering the EM algorithm. The expected parameters are:

**obs** [array\_like, shape ( $n$ ,  $ni$ ,  $nfeatures$ )] List of observation sequences, where  $n$  is the number of sequences,  $ni$  is the length of the  $i$ \_th observation, and each observation has  $nfeatures$  features.

**init\_count** [int] Restart counter.

**\_estep(obs)** Perform the expectation step of the EM algorithm and return the log likelihood of the observation  $obs$ . The expected parameters are:

**obs** [array\_like, shape ( $n$ ,  $ni$ ,  $nfeatures$ )] List of observation sequences, where  $n$  is the number of sequences,  $ni$  is the length of the  $i$ \_th observation, and each observation has  $nfeatures$  features.

**\_mstep()** Perform maximization step of the EM algorithm.

Optionally, the private function `_plot` can be overwritten to visualize the results at each iteration. The `_plot` function is called by the EM algorithm before the maximization step is performed.

The deriving class must call the private method `_em(x, n_init=None)` to initiate the the EM algorithm. Pass the following parameters:

**x** [array\_like, shape ( $n$ ,  $ni$ ,  $ndim$ )] List of data sequences, where  $n$  is the number of sequences,  $ni$  is the length of the  $i$ \_th sequence, and each data point in the sequence has  $ndim$  dimensions.

**n\_init** [int, optional] Number of restarts to prevent getting stuck in a local minimum. Default is 1.

The function returns the log likelihood of the data sequences  $x$ .

## Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.optimize.algorithms import EM
>>>
>>> class MyEM(EM):
...     def _initialize(self, obs, init_count):
...         pass
...
...     def _estep(self, obs):
...         pass
...
...     def _mstep(self):
...         pass
...
...     def _plot(self):
...         pass
...
...     def fit(self, x):
...         return self._em(x, n_init=5)
...
```

This creates a new class capable of performing the expectation-maximization algorithm.

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**Note:** Adapted from:

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Project: Probabilistic Modeling Toolkit for Matlab/Octave.  
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## Utilities

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<code>is_converged</code>	Check if an objective function has converged.
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### `mlpy.optimize.utils.is_converged`

`mlpy.optimize.utils.is_converged(fval, prev_fval, thresh=0.0001, warn=False)`  
 Check if an objective function has converged.

**Parameters** `fval` : float

The current value.

`prev_fval` : float

The previous value.

`thresh` : float

The convergence threshold.

`warn` : bool

Flag indicating whether to warn the user when the fval decreases.

**Returns** bool :

Flag indicating whether the objective function has converged or not.

### Notes

The test returns true if the slope of the function falls below the threshold; i.e.

$$\frac{|f(t) - f(t-1)|}{\text{avg}} < \text{thresh},$$

where

$$\text{avg} = \frac{|f(t)| + |f(t+1)|}{2}$$

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**Note:** Ported from Matlab:

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# CHAPTER 19

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## Planning tools (mlpy.planners)

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### Explorers

<i>ExplorerFactory</i>	The explorer factory.
<i>IExplorer</i>	The explorer interface class.

#### mlpy.planners.explorers.ExplorerFactory

**class** mlpy.planners.explorers.**ExplorerFactory**  
Bases: `object`

The explorer factory.

An instance of an explorer can be created by passing the explorer type.

#### Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.planners.explorers import ExplorerFactory  
>>> ExplorerFactory.create('egreedyexplorer', 0.8)
```

This creates a :class:`EGreedyExplorer` instance with epsilon set to 0.8.

```
>>> ExplorerFactory.create('softmaxexplorer', tau=3.0, decay=0.4)
```

This creates a `SoftmaxExplorer` instance with tau set to 3.0 and decay set to 0.4

#### Methods

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<code>create(_type, *args, **kwargs)</code>	Create an explorer of the given type .
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### **mlpy.planners.explorers.ExplorerFactory.create**

**static ExplorerFactory.create (\_type, \*args, \*\*kwargs)**

Create an explorer of the given type .

**Parameters** `_type` : str

The explorer type. Valid explorer types:

**egreedyexplorer** With  $\epsilon$  probability, a random action is chosen, otherwise the action resulting in the highest q-value is selected. An `EGreedyExplorer` is created.

**softmaxexplorer** The softmax explorer varies the action probability as a graded function of estimated value. The greedy action is still given the highest selection probability, but all the others are ranked and weighted according to their value estimates. A `SoftmaxExplorer` is created.

**args** : tuple

Positional arguments passed to the class of the given type for initialization.

**kwargs** : dict

Non-positional arguments passed to the class of the given type for initialization.

**Returns** IExplorer :

An explorer instance of the given type.

## **mlpy.planners.explorers.IExplorer**

**class mlpy.planners.explorers.IExplorer**

Bases: `object`

The explorer interface class.

The explorer class executes the exploration policy.

### **Notes**

All explorers should derive from this class.

### **Methods**

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<code>activate()</code>	Turn on exploration mode.
<code>choose_action(*args, **kwargs)</code>	Choose the next action according to the exploration strategy.
<code>deactivate()</code>	Turn off exploration mode.

---

**mlpy.planners.explorers.IExplorer.activate**

```
IExplorer.activate()
    Turn on exploration mode.
```

**mlpy.planners.explorers.IExplorer.choose\_action**

```
IExplorer.choose_action(*args, **kwargs)
    Choose the next action according to the exploration strategy.
```

**Parameters** `args` : tuple

Positional arguments.

`kwargs` : dict

Non-positional arguments.

**Returns** Action :

The next action to taken.

**Raises NotImplementedError:**

If the child class does not implement this function.

**mlpy.planners.explorers.IExplorer.deactivate**

```
IExplorer.deactivate()
    Turn off exploration mode.
```

## Discrete explorers

<i>DiscreteExplorer</i>	The discrete explorer base class.
<i>EGreedyExplorer</i>	The $\epsilon$ -greedy explorer.
<i>SoftmaxExplorer</i>	The softmax explorer.

**mlpy.planners.explorers.discrete.DiscreteExplorer**

```
class mlpy.planners.explorers.discrete.DiscreteExplorer
Bases: mlpy.planners.explorers.IExplorer
```

The discrete explorer base class.

The explorer class executes the exploration policy by choosing a next action based on the current qvalues of the state-action pairs.

### Notes

All discrete explorers should derive from this class.

### Methods

<code>activate()</code>	Turn on exploration mode.
<code>choose_action(actions, qvalues)</code>	Choose the next action according to the exploration strategy.
<code>deactivate()</code>	Turn off exploration mode.

### **mlpy.planners.explorers.discrete.DiscreteExplorer.activate**

`DiscreteExplorer.activate()`  
Turn on exploration mode.

### **mlpy.planners.explorers.discrete.DiscreteExplorer.choose\_action**

`DiscreteExplorer.choose_action(actions, qvalues)`  
Choose the next action according to the exploration strategy.

**Parameters** `actions` : list[Actions]

The available actions.

`qvalues` : list[float]

The q-value for each action.

**Returns** Action :

The action with maximum q-value that can be taken from the given state.

### **mlpy.planners.explorers.discrete.DiscreteExplorer.deactivate**

`DiscreteExplorer.deactivate()`  
Turn off exploration mode.

## **mlpy.planners.explorers.discrete.EGreedyExplorer**

**class** `mlpy.planners.explorers.discrete.EGreedyExplorer(epsilon=None, decay=None)`  
Bases: `mlpy.planners.explorers.discrete.DiscreteExplorer`

The  $\epsilon$ -greedy explorer.

The  $\epsilon$ -greedy explorer policy chooses as next action the action with the highest q-value, however with  $\epsilon$ -probability a random action is chosen to drive exploration of unknown states.

**Parameters** `epsilon` : float, optional

The  $\epsilon$  probability. Default is 0.5.

`decay` : float, optional

The value by which  $\epsilon$  decays. This value should be between 0 and 1. The probability  $\epsilon$  to decreases over time with a factor of `decay`. Set this value to 1 if  $\epsilon$  should remain the same throughout the experiment. Default is 1.

### **Methods**

---

<code>activate()</code>	Turn on exploration mode.
<code>choose_action(actions, qvalues)</code>	Choose the next action.
<code>deactivate()</code>	Turn off exploration mode.

---

**mlpy.planners.explorers.discrete.EGreedyExplorer.activate**

`EGreedyExplorer.activate()`  
Turn on exploration mode.

**mlpy.planners.explorers.discrete.EGreedyExplorer.choose\_action**

`EGreedyExplorer.choose_action(actions, qvalues)`  
Choose the next action.

With  $\epsilon$  probability, a random action is chosen, otherwise the action resulting in the highest q-value is selected.

**Parameters** `actions` : list[Actions]

The available actions.

`qvalues` : list[float]

The q-value for each action.

**Returns** Action :

The action with maximum qvalue that can be taken from the given state.

**mlpy.planners.explorers.discrete.EGreedyExplorer.deactivate**

`EGreedyExplorer.deactivate()`  
Turn off exploration mode.

**mlpy.planners.explorers.discrete.SoftmaxExplorer**

**class** `mlpy.planners.explorers.discrete.SoftmaxExplorer(tau=None, decay=None)`  
Bases: `mlpy.planners.explorers.discrete.DiscreteExplorer`

The softmax explorer.

The softmax explorer varies the action probability as a graded function of estimated value. The greedy action is still given the highest selection probability, but all the others are ranked and weighted according to their value estimates.

**Parameters** `tau` : float, optional

The temperature value. Default is 2.0.

`decay` : float, optional

The value by which  $\tau$  decays. This value should be between 0 and 1. The temperature  $\tau$  to decrease over time with a factor of `decay`. Set this value to 1 if  $\tau$  should remain the same throughout the experiment. Default is 1.

## Notes

The softmax function implemented uses the Gibbs distribution. It chooses action  $a$  on the  $t$ -th play with probability:

$$\frac{e^{Q_t(a)/\tau}}{\sum_{b=1}^n e^{Q_t(b)/\tau}}$$

where  $\tau$  is a positive parameter called the *temperature*. High temperatures cause all actions to be equiprobable. Low temperatures cause a greater difference in the selection probability. For  $\tau$  close to zero, the action selection becomes the same as greedy.

## Methods

<code>activate()</code>	Turn on exploration mode.
<code>choose_action(actions, qvalues)</code>	Choose the next action.
<code>deactivate()</code>	Turn off exploration mode.

### `mlpy.planners.explorers.discrete.SoftmaxExplorer.activate`

`SoftmaxExplorer.activate()`  
Turn on exploration mode.

### `mlpy.planners.explorers.discrete.SoftmaxExplorer.choose_action`

`SoftmaxExplorer.choose_action(actions, qvalues)`  
Choose the next action.  
Choose the next action according to the Gibbs distribution.

**Parameters** `actions` : list[Actions]

The available actions.

`qvalues` : list[float]

The q-value for each action.

**Returns** Action :

The action with maximum q-value that can be taken from the given state.

### `mlpy.planners.explorers.discrete.SoftmaxExplorer.deactivate`

`SoftmaxExplorer.deactivate()`  
Turn off exploration mode.

## Planners

<code>IPlanner</code>	The planner interface class.
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## mlpy.planners.IPlanner

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**class** `mlpy.planners.IPlanner(explorer=None)`  
Bases: `mlpy.modules.UniqueModule`

The planner interface class.

**Parameters** `explorer` : Explorer

The exploration strategy to employ. Available explorers are:

**EGreedyExplorer** With  $\epsilon$  probability, a random action is chosen, otherwise the action resulting in the highest q-value is selected.

**SoftmaxExplorer** The softmax explorer varies the action probability as a graded function of estimated value. The greedy action is still given the highest selection probability, but all the others are ranked and weighted according to their value estimates.

### Attributes

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<code>mid</code>	The module's unique identifier.
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#### mlpy.planners.IPlanner.mid

`IPlanner.mid`

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

### Methods

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<code>activate_exploration()</code>	Turn the explorer on.
<code>create_policy([func])</code>	Creates a policy (i.e., a state-action association).
<code>deactivate_exploration()</code>	Turn the explorer off.
<code>get_best_action(state)</code>	Choose the best next action for the agent to take.
<code>get_next_action(state[, use_policy])</code>	Returns the optimal action for a state according to the current policy.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>plan()</code>	Plan for the optimal policy.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>visualize()</code>	Visualize of the planning data.

---

#### mlpy.planners.IPlanner.activate\_exploration

`IPlanner.activate_exploration()`

Turn the explorer on.

### **mlpy.planners.IPlanner.create\_policy**

```
IPlanner.create_policy(func=None)
```

Creates a policy (i.e., a state-action association).

**Parameters** `func` : callable, optional

A callback function for mixing policies.

### **mlpy.planners.IPlanner.deactivate\_exploration**

```
IPlanner.deactivate_exploration()
```

Turn the explorer off.

### **mlpy.planners.IPlanner.get\_best\_action**

```
IPlanner.get_best_action(state)
```

Choose the best next action for the agent to take.

**Parameters** `state` : State

The state for which to choose the action for.

**Returns** Action :

The best action.

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

If the child class does not implement this function.

### **mlpy.planners.IPlanner.get\_next\_action**

```
IPlanner.get_next_action(state, use_policy=False)
```

Returns the optimal action for a state according to the current policy.

**Parameters** `state` : State

The state for which to choose the next action for.

`use_policy` : bool, optional

When using a policy the next action is chosen according to the current policy, otherwise the best action is selected. Default is False.

**Returns** Action :

The next action.

### **mlpy.planners.IPlanner.load**

```
IPlanner.load(filename)
```

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to load from.

## Notes

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

### `mlpy.planners.IPlanner.plan`

`IPlanner.plan()`

Plan for the optimal policy.

#### **Raises NotImplementedError**

If the child class does not implement this function.

### `mlpy.planners.IPlanner.save`

`IPlanner.save(filename)`

Save the current state of the module to file.

#### **Parameters filename : str**

The name of the file to save to.

### `mlpy.planners.IPlanner.visualize`

`IPlanner.visualize()`

Visualize of the planning data.

#### **Raises NotImplementedError**

If the child class does not implement this function.

## Discrete planners

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`ValueIteration`

Planning through value Iteration.

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### `mlpy.planners.discrete.ValueIteration`

```
class mlpy.planners.discrete.ValueIteration(model, explorer=None, gamma=None, ignore_unreachable=False)
```

Bases: `mlpy.planners.IPlanner`

Planning through value Iteration.

#### **Parameters model : DiscreteModel**

The Markov decision model.

#### **explorer : Explorer, optional**

The exploration strategy to employ. Available explorers are:

**EGreedyExplorer** With  $\epsilon$  probability, a random action is chosen, otherwise the action resulting in the highest q-value is selected.

**SoftmaxExplorer** The softmax explorer varies the action probability as a graded function of estimated value. The greedy action is still given the high-

est selection probability, but all the others are ranked and weighted according to their value estimates.

By default no explorer is used and the greedy action is chosen.

**gamma** : float, optional

The discount factor. Default is 0.9.

**ignore\_unreachable** : bool, optional

Whether to ignore unreachable states or not. Unreachability is determined by how many steps a state is away from the closest neighboring state. Default is False.

**Raises** **AttributeError**

If both the Markov model and the planner define an explorer. Only one explorer can be specified.

## Attributes

---

<code>mid</code>	The module's unique identifier.
<code>model</code>	The Markov decision process model.

---

### **mipy.planners.discrete.ValueIteration.mid**

`ValueIteration.mid`

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

### **mipy.planners.discrete.ValueIteration.model**

`ValueIteration.model`

The Markov decision process model.

The Markov decision process model contain information about the states, actions, and their transitions and the reward function.

**Returns** IMDPModel :

The model.

## Methods

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<code>activate_exploration()</code>	Turn the explorer on.
<code>create_policy(func)</code>	Creates a policy (i.e., a state-action association).
<code>deactivate_exploration()</code>	Turn the explorer off.
<code>get_best_action(state)</code>	Choose the best next action for the agent to take.
<code>get_next_action(state[, use_policy])</code>	Returns the optimal action for a state according to the current policy.

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<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>plan()</code>	Plan for the optimal policy.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>visualize()</code>	Visualize of the planning data.

**mlpy.planners.discrete.ValueIteration.activate\_exploration**`ValueIteration.activate_exploration()`

Turn the explorer on.

**mlpy.planners.discrete.ValueIteration.create\_policy**`ValueIteration.create_policy(func=None)`

Creates a policy (i.e., a state-action association).

**Parameters** `func` : callable, optional

A callback function for mixing policies.

**mlpy.planners.discrete.ValueIteration.deactivate\_exploration**`ValueIteration.deactivate_exploration()`

Turn the explorer off.

**mlpy.planners.discrete.ValueIteration.get\_best\_action**`ValueIteration.get_best_action(state)`

Choose the best next action for the agent to take.

**Parameters** `state` : State

The state for which to choose the action for.

**Returns** Action :

The best action.

**mlpy.planners.discrete.ValueIteration.get\_next\_action**`ValueIteration.get_next_action(state, use_policy=False)`

Returns the optimal action for a state according to the current policy.

**Parameters** `state` : State

The state for which to choose the next action for.

`use_policy` : bool, optional

When using a policy the next action is chosen according to the current policy, otherwise the best action is selected. Default is False.

**Returns** Action :

The next action.

### **mipy.planners.discrete.ValueIteration.load**

`ValueIteration.load(filename)`

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to load from.

#### **Notes**

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

### **mipy.planners.discrete.ValueIteration.plan**

`ValueIteration.plan()`

Plan for the optimal policy.

Perform value iteration and build the Q-table.

### **mipy.planners.discrete.ValueIteration.save**

`ValueIteration.save(filename)`

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to save to.

### **mipy.planners.discrete.ValueIteration.visualize**

`ValueIteration.visualize()`

Visualize of the planning data.

The results in the Q table are visualized via a heat map.

# CHAPTER 20

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## Search tools (`mlpy.search`)

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<code>Node</code>	The node class.
<code>ISearch</code>	The search class interface.

### `mlpy.search.Node`

```
class mlpy.search.Node(state, parent=None, action=None, cost=0)
Bases: object
```

The node class.

The node within the graph that is being built while searching for the optimal path

**Parameters** `state` : int or tuple[int]

The state.

`parent` : Node

The parent node.

`action` : str

The action performed in the state.

`cost` : float

The path cost to the state.

#### Attributes

<code>depth</code>	The depth of the node.
<code>g</code>	The path cost.
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<i>parent</i>	The node's parent.
<i>state</i>	The state associated the node.

## mlpy.search.Node.depth

**Node . depth**

The depth of the node.

The number of steps between the start node and this node.

**Returns** int :

The depth.

## mlpy.search.Node.g

**Node . g**

The path cost.

**Returns** float :

The cost.

## mlpy.search.Node.parent

**Node . parent**

The node's parent.

**Returns** Node :

The parent node.

## mlpy.search.Node.state

**Node . state**

The state associated the node.

**Returns** int or tuple[int] :

The state.

## Methods

<i>expand</i> (task)	Expands a node's neighbors.
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## mlpy.search.Node.expand

**Node . expand (task)**

Expands a node's neighbors.

**Parameters** task : SearchTask

A search task instance.

## mlpy.search.ISearch

```
class mlpy.search.ISearch(task)
    Bases: mlpy.modules.UniqueModule
    The search class interface.
```

### Attributes

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<code>mid</code>	The module's unique identifier.
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### mlpy.search.ISearch.mid

`ISearch.mid`  
The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :  
The module's unique identifier

### Methods

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<code>get_path()</code>	Return the optimal path from the start to the goal node.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>save_path(path, filename)</code>	Save the path to file.
<code>search()</code>	Search for the optimal path.

---

### mlpy.search.ISearch.get\_path

`ISearch.get_path()`  
Return the optimal path from the start to the goal node.

**Returns** list[int or tuple[int]] :  
The optimal path.

### mlpy.search.ISearch.load

`ISearch.load(filename)`  
Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str  
The name of the file to load from.

### Notes

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

## mlpy.search.ISearch.save

ISearch.**save** (*filename*)

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** **filename** : str

The name of the file to save to.

## mlpy.search.ISearch.save\_path

ISearch.**save\_path** (*path, filename*)

Save the path to file.

**Parameters** **path** : list[int or tuple[int]]

The found path.

**filename** : str

The filename to save the path to.

## mlpy.search.ISearch.search

ISearch.**search** ()

Search for the optimal path.

# Informed Search

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*AStar*

A\* algorithm.

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## mlpy.search.informed.AStar

**class** mlpy.search.informed.**AStar** (*task*)

Bases: *mlpy.search.ISearch*

A\* algorithm.

This class implements the A\* algorithm

**Parameters** **task** : SearchTask

The search task to perform

### Attributes

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*mid*

The module's unique identifier.

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## mlpy.search.informed.AStar.mid

AStar.**mid**

The module's unique identifier.

**Returns** str :

The module's unique identifier

**Methods**

<code>get_path()</code>	Return the optimal path from the start to the goal node.
<code>get_results()</code>	Display the search results visually.
<code>load(filename)</code>	Load the state of the module from file.
<code>save(filename)</code>	Save the current state of the module to file.
<code>save_path(path, filename)</code>	Save the path to file.
<code>search()</code>	Perform the search.

**mlpy.search.informed.AStar.get\_path**`AStar.get_path()`

Return the optimal path from the start to the goal node.

**Returns** list[int or tuple[int]] :

The optimal path.

**mlpy.search.informed.AStar.get\_results**`AStar.get_results()`

Display the search results visually.

**mlpy.search.informed.AStar.load**`AStar.load(filename)`

Load the state of the module from file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to load from.

**Notes**

This is a class method, it can be accessed without instantiation.

**mlpy.search.informed.AStar.save**`AStar.save(filename)`

Save the current state of the module to file.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the file to save to.

### **mlpy.search.informed.AStar.save\_path**

`AStar.save_path(path, filename)`

Save the path to file.

**Parameters** `path` : list[int or tuple[int]]

The found path.

`filename` : str

The filename to save the path to.

### **mlpy.search.informed.AStar.search**

`AStar.search()`

Perform the search.

Performs the actual search for the optimal path using the A\* algorithm

# CHAPTER 21

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## Statistical functions (`mlpy.stats`)

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### Discrete distributions

#### `mlpy.stats.nonuniform`

```
mlpy.stats.nonuniform = <Mock name='mock.rv_discrete' id='140284521135952'>
```

Create a new *Mock* object. *Mock* takes several optional arguments that specify the behaviour of the Mock object:

- spec*: This can be either a list of strings or an existing object (a class or instance) that acts as the specification for the mock object. If you pass in an object then a list of strings is formed by calling `dir` on the object (excluding unsupported magic attributes and methods). Accessing any attribute not in this list will raise an *AttributeError*.

If *spec* is an object (rather than a list of strings) then `mock.__class__` returns the class of the spec object. This allows mocks to pass *isinstance* tests.

- spec\_set*: A stricter variant of *spec*. If used, attempting to *set* or get an attribute on the mock that isn't on the object passed as *spec\_set* will raise an *AttributeError*.

- side\_effect*: A function to be called whenever the Mock is called. See the *side\_effect* attribute. Useful for raising exceptions or dynamically changing return values. The function is called with the same arguments as the mock, and unless it returns *DEFAULT*, the return value of this function is used as the return value.

Alternatively *side\_effect* can be an exception class or instance. In this case the exception will be raised when the mock is called.

If *side\_effect* is an iterable then each call to the mock will return the next value from the iterable. If any of the members of the iterable are exceptions they will be raised instead of returned.

- return\_value*: The value returned when the mock is called. By default this is a new Mock (created on first access). See the *return\_value* attribute.

- wraps*: Item for the mock object to wrap. If *wraps* is not None then calling the Mock will pass the call through to the wrapped object (returning the real result). Attribute access on the mock will return a Mock object that wraps the corresponding attribute of the wrapped object (so attempting to access an attribute that doesn't exist will raise an *AttributeError*).

If the mock has an explicit `return_value` set then calls are not passed to the wrapped object and the `return_value` is returned instead.

- `name`: If the mock has a name then it will be used in the repr of the mock. This can be useful for debugging. The name is propagated to child mocks.

Mocks can also be called with arbitrary keyword arguments. These will be used to set attributes on the mock after it is created.

## mlpy.stats.gibbs

```
mlpy.stats.gibbs = <Mock name='mock.rv_discrete' id='140284521135952'>
```

Create a new `Mock` object. `Mock` takes several optional arguments that specify the behaviour of the Mock object:

- `spec`: This can be either a list of strings or an existing object (a class or instance) that acts as the specification for the mock object. If you pass in an object then a list of strings is formed by calling `dir` on the object (excluding unsupported magic attributes and methods). Accessing any attribute not in this list will raise an `AttributeError`.

If `spec` is an object (rather than a list of strings) then `mock.__class__` returns the class of the spec object. This allows mocks to pass `isinstance` tests.

- `spec_set`: A stricter variant of `spec`. If used, attempting to `set` or get an attribute on the mock that isn't on the object passed as `spec_set` will raise an `AttributeError`.

- `side_effect`: A function to be called whenever the Mock is called. See the `side_effect` attribute. Useful for raising exceptions or dynamically changing return values. The function is called with the same arguments as the mock, and unless it returns `DEFAULT`, the return value of this function is used as the return value.

Alternatively `side_effect` can be an exception class or instance. In this case the exception will be raised when the mock is called.

If `side_effect` is an iterable then each call to the mock will return the next value from the iterable. If any of the members of the iterable are exceptions they will be raised instead of returned.

- `return_value`: The value returned when the mock is called. By default this is a new Mock (created on first access). See the `return_value` attribute.

- `wraps`: Item for the mock object to wrap. If `wraps` is not None then calling the Mock will pass the call through to the wrapped object (returning the real result). Attribute access on the mock will return a Mock object that wraps the corresponding attribute of the wrapped object (so attempting to access an attribute that doesn't exist will raise an `AttributeError`).

If the mock has an explicit `return_value` set then calls are not passed to the wrapped object and the `return_value` is returned instead.

- `name`: If the mock has a name then it will be used in the repr of the mock. This can be useful for debugging. The name is propagated to child mocks.

Mocks can also be called with arbitrary keyword arguments. These will be used to set attributes on the mock after it is created.

<code>nonuniform</code>	A non-uniform discrete random variable.
<code>gibbs</code>	A Gibbs distribution discrete random variable.

## Conditional distributions

### mlpy.stats.conditional\_normal

`mlpy.stats.conditional_normal = <mlpy.stats._conditional.conditional_normal_gen object>`

### mlpy.stats.conditional\_student

`mlpy.stats.conditional_student = <mlpy.stats._conditional.conditional_student_gen object>`

### mlpy.stats.conditional\_mix\_normal

`mlpy.stats.conditional_mix_normal = <mlpy.stats._conditional.conditional_mix_normal_gen object>`

<code>conditional_normal</code>	Conditional Normal random variable.
<code>conditional_student</code>	Conditional Student random variable.
<code>conditional_mix_normal</code>	Conditional Mix-Normal random variable.

## Multivariate distributions

### mlpy.stats.multivariate\_normal

`mlpy.stats.multivariate_normal = <mlpy.stats._multivariate.multivariate_normal_gen object>`

### mlpy.stats.multivariate\_student

`mlpy.stats.multivariate_student = <mlpy.stats._multivariate.multivariate_student_gen object>`

### mlpy.stats.invwishart

`mlpy.stats.invwishart = <mlpy.stats._multivariate.invwishart_gen object>`

### mlpy.stats.normal\_invwishart

`mlpy.stats.normal_invwishart = <mlpy.stats._multivariate.normal_invwishart_gen object>`

<code>multivariate_normal</code>	Multivariate Normal random variable.
<code>multivariate_student</code>	Multivariate Student random variable.
<code>invwishart</code>	Inverse Wishart random variable.
<code>normal_invwishart</code>	Normal-Inverse Wishart random variable.

## Statistical Models

### mlpy.stats.models.markov

`mlpy.stats.models.markov = <mlpy.stats.models._basic.markov_gen object>`

<i>markov</i>	Markov model.
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## Mixture Models

<i>MixtureModel</i>	Mixture model base class.
<i>DiscreteMM</i>	Discrete mixture model class.
<i>GMM</i>	Gaussian mixture model class.
<i>StudentMM</i>	Student mixture model class.

### mlpy.stats.models.mixture.MixtureModel

```
class mlpy.stats.models.mixture.MixtureModel(ncomponents=1, prior=None,
                                              mix_prior=None, mix_weight=None,
                                              n_iter=None, thresh=None, verbose=None)
```

Bases: *mlpy.optimize.algorithms.EM*

Mixture model base class.

Representation of a mixture model probability distribution. This class allows for easy evaluation of, sampling from, and maximum-likelihood estimation of the parameters of a distribution.

**Parameters** **ncomponents** : int, optional

Number of mixture components. Default is 1.

**prior** : normal\_invwishart, optional

A *normal\_invwishart* distribution.

**mix\_prior** : float or array\_like, shape (*ncomponents*,), optional

Prior mixture probabilities.

**mix\_weight** : array\_like, shape (*ncomponents*,), optional

Mixture weights.

**n\_iter** : int, optional

Number of EM iterations to perform. Default is 100.

**thresh** : float, optional

Convergence threshold. EM iterations will stop when average gain in log-likelihood is below this threshold. Default is 1e-4.

**verbose** : bool, optional

Controls if debug information is printed to the console. Default is False.

### Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.stats.models.mixture import GMM
```

```
>>> m = GMM()
```

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**Note:** Adapted from Matlab:

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## Attributes

ncomponents	(int) Number of mixture components.
dim	(int) Dimensionality of the each component.
prior	(normal_invwishart) A <code>normal_invwishart</code> distribution.
mix_prior	(array_like, shape ( <i>ncomponents</i> ,)) Prior mixture probabilities.
mix_weight	(array_like, shape ( <i>ncomponents</i> ,)) Mixture weights.
cond_proba	(cond_rv_frozen) Conditional probability distribution.
n_iter	(int) Number of EM iterations to perform.
thresh	(float) Convergence threshold.
verbose	(bool) Controls if debug information is printed to the console.

## Methods

<code>fit(x[, n_init])</code>	Fit the mixture model from the data <i>x</i> .
<code>predict(x)</code>	Predict label for data.
<code>predict_proba(x)</code>	Predict posterior probability of data under the model.
<code>sample([size])</code>	Generate random samples from the model.
<code>score(x[, y])</code>	Compute the log probability under the model.
<code>score_samples(x)</code>	Return the per-sample likelihood of the data under the model.

### mlpy.stats.models.mixture.MixtureModel.fit

MixtureModel.`fit` (*x*, *n\_init*=1)

Fit the mixture model from the data *x*.

Estimate model parameters with the expectation-maximization algorithm.

**Parameters** *x* : array\_like, shape (*n*, *dim*)

List of *dim*-dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single data point.

*n\_init* : int, optional

Number of random restarts to avoid a local minimum. Default is 1.

### mlpy.stats.models.mixture.MixtureModel.predict

MixtureModel.`predict` (*x*)

Predict label for data.

**Parameters** *x* : array\_like, shape (*size*, *dim*)

**Returns** *C* : array, shape = (*size*,)

### **mlpy.stats.models.mixture.MixtureModel.predict\_proba**

MixtureModel.**predict\_proba**(*x*)

Predict posterior probability of data under the model.

**Parameters** *x* : array\_like, shape (*size, dim*)

**Returns** **responsibilities** : array\_like, shape = (*nsamples, ncomponents*)

Returns the probability of the sample for each Gaussian (state) in the model.

### **mlpy.stats.models.mixture.MixtureModel.sample**

MixtureModel.**sample**(*size=1*)

Generate random samples from the model.

**Parameters** *size* : int, optional

Number of samples to generate. Default is 1.

**Returns** *x* : array\_like, shape (*size, dim*)

List of samples

**Raises** **NotImplementedError**

If the child class does not implement this function.

### **mlpy.stats.models.mixture.MixtureModel.score**

MixtureModel.**score**(*x, y=None*)

Compute the log probability under the model.

**Parameters** *x* : array\_like, shape (*size, dim*)

List of *dim*-dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single data point.

*y* : Not used.

**Returns** **logp** : array\_like, shape (*size,*)

Log probabilities of each data point in *x*.

### **mlpy.stats.models.mixture.MixtureModel.score\_samples**

MixtureModel.**score\_samples**(*x*)

Return the per-sample likelihood of the data under the model.

Compute the log probability of *x* under the model and return the posterior distribution (responsibilities) of each mixture component for each element of *x*.

**Parameters** *x* : array\_like, shape (*size, dim*)

List of *dim*-dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single data point.

**Returns** **responsibilities** : array\_like, shape (*size, ncomponents*)

Posterior probabilities of each mixture component for each observation.

**loglik** : array\_like, shape (*size,*)

Log probabilities of each data point in  $x$ .

**Raises NotImplementedError**

If the child class does not implement this function.

## mlpy.stats.models.mixture.DiscreteMM

```
class mlpy.stats.models.mixture.DiscreteMM(ncomponents=1, prior=None, mix_prior=None,
                                             mix_weight=None, transmat=None, alpha=None,
                                             n_iter=None, thresh=None, verbose=None)
```

Bases: [mlpy.stats.models.mixture.MixtureModel](#)

Discrete mixture model class.

Representation of a discrete mixture model probability distribution. This class allows for easy evaluation of, sampling from, and maximum-likelihood estimation of the parameters of a distribution.

**Parameters** **ncomponents** : int, optional

Number of mixture components. Default is 1.

**prior** : normal\_invwishart, optional

A [normal\\_invwishart](#) distribution.

**mix\_prior** : float or array\_like, shape ( $ncomponents$ ), optional

Prior mixture probabilities.

**mix\_weight** : array\_like, shape ( $ncomponents$ ), optional

Mixture weights.

**transmat** : array\_like, shape ( $ncomponents$ ,  $ncomponents$ ), optional

Matrix of transition probabilities between states.

**alpha** : float

Value of Dirichlet prior on observations. Default is 1.1 (1=MLE)

**n\_iter** : int, optional

Number of EM iterations to perform. Default is 100.

**thresh** : float, optional

Convergence threshold. EM iterations will stop when average gain in log-likelihood is below this threshold. Default is 1e-4.

**verbose** : bool, optional

Controls if debug information is printed to the console. Default is False.

## Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.stats.models.mixture import DiscreteMM
```

```
>>> m = DiscreteMM()
```

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## Attributes

ncomponents	(int) Number of mixture components.
dim	(int) Dimensionality of the each component.
prior	(normal_invwishart) A <code>normal_invwishart</code> distribution.
mix_prior	(array_like, shape ( <code>ncomponents,</code> )) Prior mixture probabilities.
mix_weight	(array_like, shape ( <code>ncomponents,</code> )) Mixture weights.
transmat	(array_like, shape ( <code>ncomponents, ncomponents</code> )) Matrix of transition probabilities between states.
alpha	(float) Value of Dirichlet prior on observations.
cond_proba	(cond_rv_frozen) Conditional probability distribution.
n_iter	(int) Number of EM iterations to perform.
thresh	(float) Convergence threshold.
verbose	(bool) Controls if debug information is printed to the console.

## Methods

<code>fit(x[, n_init])</code>	Fit the mixture model from the data $x$ .
<code>predict(x)</code>	Predict label for data.
<code>predict_proba(x)</code>	Predict posterior probability of data under the model.
<code>sample([size])</code>	Generate random samples from the model.
<code>score(x[, y])</code>	Compute the log probability under the model.
<code>score_samples(x)</code>	Return the per-sample likelihood of the data under the model.

### mlpy.stats.models.mixture.DiscreteMM.fit

`DiscreteMM.fit (x, n_init=1)`

Fit the mixture model from the data  $x$ .

Estimate model parameters with the expectation-maximization algorithm.

**Parameters** `x` : array\_like, shape ( $n, dim$ )

List of  $dim$ -dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single data point.

`n_init` : int, optional

Number of random restarts to avoid a local minimum. Default is 1.

### mlpy.stats.models.mixture.DiscreteMM.predict

`DiscreteMM.predict (x)`

Predict label for data.

**Parameters** `x` : array\_like, shape (*size, dim*)

**Returns** `C` : array, shape = (*size,*)

### mlpy.stats.models.mixture.DiscreteMM.predict\_proba

`DiscreteMM.predict_proba(x)`

Predict posterior probability of data under the model.

**Parameters** `x` : array\_like, shape (*size, dim*)

**Returns** `responsibilities` : array\_like, shape = (*nsamples, ncomponents*)

Returns the probability of the sample for each Gaussian (state) in the model.

### mlpy.stats.models.mixture.DiscreteMM.sample

`DiscreteMM.sample(size=1)`

Generate random samples from the model.

**Parameters** `size` : int, optional

Number of samples to generate. Default is 1.

**Returns** `x` : array\_like, shape (*size, dim*)

List of samples

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

If the child class does not implement this function.

### mlpy.stats.models.mixture.DiscreteMM.score

`DiscreteMM.score(x, y=None)`

Compute the log probability under the model.

**Parameters** `x` : array\_like, shape (*size, dim*)

List of *dim*-dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single data point.

`y` : Not used.

**Returns** `logp` : array\_like, shape (*size,*)

Log probabilities of each data point in *x*.

### mlpy.stats.models.mixture.DiscreteMM.score\_samples

`DiscreteMM.score_samples(x)`

Return the per-sample likelihood of the data under the model.

Compute the log probability of *x* under the model and return the posterior distribution (responsibilities) of each mixture component for each element of *x*.

**Parameters** `x` : array\_like, shape (*size, dim*)

List of *dim*-dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single data point.

**Returns** **responsibilities** : array\_like, shape (*size, ncomponents*)

Posterior probabilities of each mixture component for each observation.

**loglik** : array\_like, shape (size,)

Log probabilities of each data point in *x*.

## mlpy.stats.models.mixture.GMM

```
class mlpy.stats.models.mixture.GMM(ncomponents=1,      prior=None,      mix_prior=None,
                                    mix_weight=None, mean=None, cov=None, n_iter=None,
                                    thresh=None, verbose=None)
```

Bases: *mlpy.stats.models.mixture.MixtureModel*

Gaussian mixture model class.

Representation of a gaussian mixture model probability distribution. This class allows for easy evaluation of, sampling from, and maximum-likelihood estimation of the parameters of a distribution.

**Parameters** **ncomponents** : int, optional

Number of mixture components. Default is 1.

**prior** : normal\_invwishart, optional

A *normal\_invwishart* distribution.

**mix\_prior** : float or array\_like, shape (*ncomponents*,), optional

Prior mixture probabilities.

**mix\_weight** : array\_like, shape (*ncomponents*,), optional

Mixture weights.

**mean** : array, shape (*ncomponents, nfeatures*)

Mean parameters for each state.

**cov** : array, shape (*ncomponents, nfeatures, nfeatures*)

Covariance parameters for each state.

**n\_iter** : int, optional

Number of EM iterations to perform. Default is 100.

**thresh** : float, optional

Convergence threshold. EM iterations will stop when average gain in log-likelihood is below this threshold. Default is 1e-4.

**verbose** : bool, optional

Controls if debug information is printed to the console. Default is False.

## Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.stats.models.mixture import GMM
```

```
>>> m = GMM()
```

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**Note:** Adapted from Matlab:

Project: Probabilistic Modeling Toolkit for Matlab/Octave.

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## Attributes

<code>mean</code>	Mean parameters of the emission.
<code>cov</code>	Covariance parameters of the emission.

### `mlpy.stats.models.mixture.GMM.mean`

#### `GMM.mean`

Mean parameters of the emission.

**Returns** array, shape (*ncomponents*, *nfeatures*) :

The mean parameters.

### `mlpy.stats.models.mixture.GMM.cov`

#### `GMM.cov`

Covariance parameters of the emission.

**array, shape (*ncomponents*, *nfeatures*, *nfeatures*):** Covariance parameters.

<code>ncomponents</code>	(int) Number of mixture components.
<code>dim</code>	(int) Dimensionality of the each component.
<code>prior</code>	(normal_invwishart) A <code>normal_invwishart</code> distribution.
<code>mix_prior</code>	(array_like, shape ( <i>ncomponents</i> ,)) Prior mixture probabilities.
<code>mix_weight</code>	(array_like, shape ( <i>ncomponents</i> ,)) Mixture weights.
<code>cond_proba</code>	(conditional_normal) A <code>conditional_normal</code> probability distribution.
<code>n_iter</code>	(int) Number of EM iterations to perform.
<code>thresh</code>	(float) Convergence threshold.
<code>verbose</code>	(bool) Controls if debug information is printed to the console.

## Methods

<code>fit(x[, n_init])</code>	Fit the mixture model from the data <i>x</i> .
<code>predict(x)</code>	Predict label for data.
<code>predict_proba(x)</code>	Predict posterior probability of data under the model.
<code>sample([size])</code>	Generate random samples from the model.
<code>score(x[, y])</code>	Compute the log probability under the model.

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<code>score_samples(x)</code>	Return the per-sample likelihood of the data under the model.
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### mlpy.stats.models.mixture.GMM.fit

`GMM.fit (x, n_init=1)`

Fit the mixture model from the data  $x$ .

Estimate model parameters with the expectation-maximization algorithm.

**Parameters** `x` : array\_like, shape ( $n, dim$ )

List of  $dim$ -dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single data point.

`n_init` : int, optional

Number of random restarts to avoid a local minimum. Default is 1.

### mlpy.stats.models.mixture.GMM.predict

`GMM.predict (x)`

Predict label for data.

**Parameters** `x` : array\_like, shape ( $size, dim$ )

**Returns** `C` : array, shape = ( $size,$ )

### mlpy.stats.models.mixture.GMM.predict\_proba

`GMM.predict_proba (x)`

Predict posterior probability of data under the model.

**Parameters** `x` : array\_like, shape ( $size, dim$ )

**Returns** `responsibilities` : array\_like, shape = ( $nsamples, ncomponents$ )

Returns the probability of the sample for each Gaussian (state) in the model.

### mlpy.stats.models.mixture.GMM.sample

`GMM.sample (size=1)`

Generate random samples from the model.

**Parameters** `size` : int, optional

Number of samples to generate. Default is 1.

**Returns** `x` : array\_like, shape ( $size, dim$ )

List of samples

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

If the child class does not implement this function.

**mlpy.stats.models.mixture.GMM.score****GMM.score**(*x*, *y=None*)

Compute the log probability under the model.

**Parameters** *x* : array\_like, shape (size, dim)

List of dim-dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single data point.

*y* : Not used.**Returns** *logp* : array\_like, shape (size,)Log probabilities of each data point in *x*.**mlpy.stats.models.mixture.GMM.score\_samples****GMM.score\_samples**(*x*)

Return the per-sample likelihood of the data under the model.

Compute the log probability of *x* under the model and return the posterior distribution (responsibilities) of each mixture component for each element of *x*.**Parameters** *x* : array\_like, shape (size, dim)List of *dim*-dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single data point.**Returns** *responsibilities* : array\_like, shape (size, ncomponents)

Posterior probabilities of each mixture component for each observation.

**loglik** : array\_like, shape (size,)Log probabilities of each data point in *x*.**mlpy.stats.models.mixture.StudentMM**

```
class mlpy.stats.models.mixture.StudentMM(ncomponents=1, prior=None, mix_prior=None,
                                         mix_weight=None, mean=None, cov=None,
                                         df=None, n_iter=None, thresh=None, verbose=None)
```

Bases: *mlpy.stats.models.mixture.GMM*

Student mixture model class.

Representation of a student mixture model probability distribution. This class allows for easy evaluation of, sampling from, and maximum-likelihood estimation of the parameters of a distribution.

**Parameters** *ncomponents* : int, optional

Number of mixture components. Default is 1.

**prior** : normal\_invwishart, optionalA *normal\_invwishart* distribution.**mix\_prior** : float or array\_like, shape (*ncomponents*,), optional

Prior mixture probabilities.

**mix\_weight** : array\_like, shape (*ncomponents*,), optional

Mixture weights.

**mean** : array, shape (*ncomponents*, *nfeatures*)

Mean parameters for each state.

**cov** : array, shape (*ncomponents*, *nfeatures*, *nfeatures*)

Covariance parameters for each state.

**df** : array, shape (*ncomponents*,)

Degrees of freedom.

**n\_iter** : int, optional

Number of EM iterations to perform. Default is 100.

**thresh** : float, optional

Convergence threshold. EM iterations will stop when average gain in log-likelihood is below this threshold. Default is 1e-4.

**verbose** : bool, optional

Controls if debug information is printed to the console. Default is False.

## Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.stats.models.mixture import StudentMM
```

```
>>> m = StudentMM()
```

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## Attributes

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**mean**

Mean parameters of the emission.

**cov**

Covariance parameters of the emission.

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### **mlpy.stats.models.mixture.StudentMM.mean**

**StudentMM.mean**

Mean parameters of the emission.

**Returns** array, shape (*ncomponents*, *nfeatures*) :

The mean parameters.

**mlpy.stats.models.mixture.StudentMM.cov****StudentMM.cov**

Covariance parameters of the emission.

**array, shape (*ncomponents*, *nfeatures*, *nfeatures*):** Covariance parameters.

ncomponents	(int) Number of mixture components.
dim	(int) Dimensionality of the each component.
prior	(normal_invwishart) A <code>normal_invwishart</code> distribution.
mix_prior	(array_like, shape ( <i>ncomponents</i> ,)) Prior mixture probabilities.
mix_weight	(array_like, shape ( <i>ncomponents</i> ,)) Mixture weights.
df	(array, shape ( <i>ncomponents</i> ,)) Degrees of freedom.
cond_proba	(conditional_student) A <code>conditional_student</code> probability distribution.
n_iter	(int) Number of EM iterations to perform.
thresh	(float) Convergence threshold.
verbose	(bool) Controls if debug information is printed to the console.

**Methods**

<code>fit(x[, n_init])</code>	Fit the mixture model from the data <i>x</i> .
<code>predict(x)</code>	Predict label for data.
<code>predict_proba(x)</code>	Predict posterior probability of data under the model.
<code>sample([size])</code>	Generate random samples from the model.
<code>score(x[, y])</code>	Compute the log probability under the model.
<code>score_samples(x)</code>	Return the per-sample likelihood of the data under the model.

**mlpy.stats.models.mixture.StudentMM.fit****StudentMM.fit (*x*, *n\_init*=1)**

Fit the mixture model from the data *x*.

Estimate model parameters with the expectation-maximization algorithm.

**Parameters** *x* : array\_like, shape (*n*, *dim*)

List of *dim*-dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single data point.

**n\_init** : int, optional

Number of random restarts to avoid a local minimum. Default is 1.

**mlpy.stats.models.mixture.StudentMM.predict****StudentMM.predict (*x*)**

Predict label for data.

**Parameters** *x* : array\_like, shape (*size*, *dim*)

**Returns** *C* : array, shape = (*size*,

## **mlpy.stats.models.mixture.StudentMM.predict\_proba**

`StudentMM.predict_proba (x)`

Predict posterior probability of data under the model.

**Parameters** `x` : array\_like, shape (`size, dim`)

**Returns** `responsibilities` : array\_like, shape = (`nsamples, ncomponents`)

Returns the probability of the sample for each Gaussian (state) in the model.

## **mlpy.stats.models.mixture.StudentMM.sample**

`StudentMM.sample (size=1)`

Generate random samples from the model.

**Parameters** `size` : int, optional

Number of samples to generate. Default is 1.

**Returns** `x` : array\_like, shape (`size, dim`)

List of samples

**Raises** `NotImplementedError`

If the child class does not implement this function.

## **mlpy.stats.models.mixture.StudentMM.score**

`StudentMM.score (x, y=None)`

Compute the log probability under the model.

**Parameters** `x` : array\_like, shape (`size, dim`)

List of `dim`-dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single data point.

`y` : Not used.

**Returns** `logp` : array\_like, shape (`size,`)

Log probabilities of each data point in `x`.

## **mlpy.stats.models.mixture.StudentMM.score\_samples**

`StudentMM.score_samples (x)`

Return the per-sample likelihood of the data under the model.

Compute the log probability of `x` under the model and return the posterior distribution (responsibilities) of each mixture component for each element of `x`.

**Parameters** `x` : array\_like, shape (`size, dim`)

List of `dim`-dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single data point.

**Returns** `responsibilities` : array\_like, shape (`size, ncomponents`)

Posterior probabilities of each mixture component for each observation.

`loglik` : array\_like, shape (`size,`)

---

Log probabilities of each data point in  $x$ .

## Statistical functions

### mlpy.stats.canonize\_labels

`mlpy.stats.canonize_labels (labels, support=None)`

Transform labels to 1:k.

The size of canonized is the same as labels but every label is transformed to its corresponding 1:k. If labels does not span the support, specify the support explicitly as the 2nd argument.

**Parameters** `labels` : array\_like  
**support** : optional

**Returns** Transformed labels.

#### Examples

```
>>> canonize_labels()
```

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**Warning:** This is only a stub function. Implementation is still missing

### mlpy.stats.is\_posdef

`mlpy.stats.is_posdef (a)`

Test if matrix  $a$  is positive definite.

The method uses Cholesky decomposition to determine if the matrix is positive definite.

**Parameters** `a` : ndarray

A matrix.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the matrix is positive definite.

## Examples

```
>>> is_posdef()
```

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## mlpy.stats.normalize\_logspace

`mlpy.stats.normalize_logspace(a)`

Normalizes the array  $a$  in the log domain.

Each row of  $a$  is a log discrete distribution. Returns the array normalized in the log domain while minimizing the possibility of numerical underflow.

**Parameters**  $a$  : ndarray

The array to normalize in the log domain.

**Returns**  $a$  : ndarray

The array normalized in the log domain.

**Inorm** : float

log normalization constant.

## Examples

```
>>> normalize_logspace()
```

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## mlpy.stats.partitioned\_cov

`mlpy.stats.partitioned_cov(x, y, c=None)`

Covariance of groups.

Partition the rows of  $x$  according to class labels in  $y$  and take the covariance of each group.

**Parameters**  $x$  : array\_like, shape ( $n, dim$ )

The data to group, where  $n$  is the number of data points and  $dim$  is the dimensionality of each data point.

$y$  : array\_like, shape ( $n,$ )

The class label for each data point.

$c$  : int

The number of components in  $y$ .

**Returns**  $cov$  : array\_like

The covariance of each group.

## Examples

```
>>> partitioned_cov()
```

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**Warning:** Implementation of this function is not finished yet.

## mlpy.stats.partitioned\_mean

mlpy.stats.partitioned\_mean ( $x, y, c=None, return_counts=False$ )

Mean of groups.

Groups the rows of  $x$  according to the class labels in  $y$  and takes the mean of each group.

**Parameters**  $x$  : array\_like, shape ( $n, dim$ )

The data to group, where  $n$  is the number of data points and  $dim$  is the dimensionality of each data point.

$y$  : array\_like, shape ( $n,$ )

The class label for each data point.

**return\_counts** : bool

Whether to return the number of elements in each group or not.

**Returns**  $mean$  : array\_like

The mean of each group.

**counts** : int

The number of elements in each group.

## Examples

```
>>> partitioned_mean()
```

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## mlpy.stats.partitioned\_sum

mlpy.stats.partitioned\_sum(*x*, *y*, *c=None*)

Sums of groups.

Groups the rows of *x* according to the class labels in *y* and sums each group.

**Parameters** *x* : array\_like, shape (*n*, *dim*)

The data to group, where *n* is the number of data points and *dim* is the dimensionality of each data point.

*y* : array\_like, shape (*n*,)

The class label for each data point.

*c* : int

The number of components in *y*.

**Returns** *sums* : array\_like

The sum of each group.

## Examples

```
>>> partitioned_sum()
```

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## mlpy.stats.randpd

```
mlpy.stats.randpd(dim)
```

Create a random positive definite matrix of size *dim*-by-*dim*.

**Parameters** `dim` : int

The dimension of the matrix to create.

**Returns** ndarray :

A *dim*-by-*dim* positive definite matrix.

### Examples

```
>>> randpd()
```

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## mlpy.stats.shrink\_cov

```
mlpy.stats.shrink_cov(x, return_lambda=False, return_estimate=False)
```

Covariance shrinkage estimation.

Ledoit-Wolf optimal shrinkage estimator for cov(X)  $C = \lambda * t + (1 - \lambda) * s$  using the diagonal variance ‘target’ t=np.diag(s) with the unbiased sample cov *s* as the unconstrained estimate.

**Parameters** `x` : array\_like, shape (*n*, *dim*)

The data, where *n* is the number of data points and *dim* is the dimensionality of each data point.

**return\_lambda** : bool

Whether to return lambda or not.

**return\_estimate** : bool

Whether to return the unbiased estimate or not.

**Returns** `C` : array

The shrunk final estimate

**lambda\_** : float, optional

Lambda

**estimate** : array, optional

Unbiased estimate.

## Examples

```
>>> shrink_cov()
```

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## mlpy.stats.sq\_distance

`mlpy.stats.sq_distance(p, q, p_sos=None, q_sos=None)`

Efficiently compute squared Euclidean distances between stats of vectors.

Compute the squared Euclidean distances between every d-dimensional point in *p* to every *d*-dimensional point in *q*. Both *p* and *q* are n-point-by-n-dimensions.

**Parameters** **p** : array\_like, shape (*n*, *dim*)

Array where *n* is the number of points and *dim* is the number of dimensions.

**q** : array\_like, shape (*n*, *dim*)

Array where *n* is the number of points and *dim* is the number of dimensions.

**p\_sos** : array\_like, shape (*dim*,)

**q\_sos** : array\_like, shape (*dim*,)

**Returns** ndarray :

The squared Euclidean distance.

## Examples

```
>>> sq_distance()
```

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## mlpy.stats.stack<sub>ed</sub>\_randpd

`mlpy.stats.stacked_randpd(dim, k, p=0)`

Create stacked positive definite matrices.

Create multiple random positive definite matrices of size dim-by-dim and stack them.

**Parameters** `dim` : int

The dimension of each matrix.

`k` : int

The number of matrices.

`p` : int

The diagonal value of each matrix.

**Returns** ndarray :

Multiple stacked random positive definite matrices.

### Examples

```
>>> stacked_randpd()
```

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<code>is_posdef</code>	Test if matrix $a$ is positive definite.
<code>randpd</code>	Create a random positive definite matrix.
<code>stacked_randpd</code>	Create multiple random positive definite matrices.
<code>normalize_logspace</code>	Normalize in log space while avoiding numerical underflow.
<code>sq_distance</code>	Efficiently compute squared Euclidean distances between stats of vectors.
<code>partitioned_cov</code>	Partition the rows of $x$ according to $y$ and take the covariance of each group.
<code>partitioned_mean</code>	Groups the rows of $x$ according to the class labels in $y$ and takes the mean of each group.
<code>partitioned_sum</code>	Groups the rows of $x$ according to the class labels in $y$ and sums each group.
<code>shrink_cov</code>	Ledoit-Wolf optimal shrinkage estimator.
<code>canonize_labels</code>	Transform labels to 1:k.



# CHAPTER 22

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## Dynamic Bayesian networks (`mlpy.stats.dbn`)

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*hmm*

Hidden Markov Models

### **mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm**

#### Hidden Markov Models

<i>HMM</i>	Hidden Markov Model base class.
<i>DiscreteHMM</i>	Hidden Markov Model with discrete(multinomial) emissions.
<i>GaussianHMM</i>	Hidden Markov Model with Gaussian emissions.
<i>StudentHMM</i>	Hidden Markov Model with Student emissions
<i>GMMHMM</i>	Hidden Markov Model with Gaussian mixture emissions.

#### **mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.HMM**

```
class mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.HMM(ncomponents=1, startprob_prior=None, startprob=None, transmat_prior=None, transmat=None, emission_prior=None, emission=None, n_iter=None, thresh=None, verbose=None)
```

Bases: `mlpy.optimize.algorithms.EM`

Hidden Markov Model base class.

Representation of a hidden Markov model probability distribution. This class allows for easy evaluation of, sampling from, and maximum-likelihood estimation of the parameters of a HMM.

See the instance documentation for details specific to a particular object.

**Parameters** `ncomponents` : int

Number of states in the model.

`startprob_prior` : array, shape (`ncomponents,`

Initial state occupation prior distribution.

**startprob** : array, shape (*ncomponents*,)

Initial state occupation distribution.

**transmat\_prior** : array, shape (*ncomponents*, *ncomponents*)

Matrix of prior transition probabilities between states.

**transmat** : array, shape (*ncomponents*, *ncomponents*)

Matrix of transition probabilities between states.

**emission** : cond\_rv\_frozen

The conditional probability distribution used for the emission.

**emission\_prior** : normal\_invwishart

Initial emission parameters, a normal-inverse Wishart distribution.

**n\_iter** : int

Number of iterations to perform during training, optional.

**thresh** : float

Convergence threshold, optional.

**verbose** : bool

Controls if debug information is printed to the console, optional.

## Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm import GaussianHMM
```

```
>>> model = GaussianHMM(ncomponents=2, startprob_prior=[3, 2])
```

Create a gaussian hidden Markov model

```
>>> import scipy.io
>>> mat = scipy.io.loadmat('data/speechDataDigits4And5.mat')
>>> x = np.hstack([mat['train4'][0], mat['train5'][0]])
```

Load data used for fitting the HMM and fit the HMM:

```
>>> model.fit(x, n_init=3)
```

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## Attributes

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<code>startprob_prior</code>	Vector of initial probabilities for each state.
<code>transmat_prior</code>	Transition probability matrix.

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### `mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.HMM.startprob_prior`

#### HMM.`startprob_prior`

Vector of initial probabilities for each state.

**Returns** `startprob_prior` : array, shape (*ncomponents*,

The initial probabilities.

### `mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.HMM.transmat_prior`

#### HMM.`transmat_prior`

Transition probability matrix.

**Returns** `transmat_prior` : array, shape (*ncomponents*, *ncomponents*)

Matrix of transition probabilities from each state to every other state.

<code>ncomponents</code>	(int) The number of hidden states.
<code>nfeatures</code>	(int) Dimensionality of the Gaussian emission.
<code>startprob</code>	(array, shape ( <i>ncomponents</i> ,)) Initial state occupation distribution.
<code>transmat</code>	(array, shape ( <i>ncomponents</i> , <i>ncomponents</i> )) Matrix of transition probabilities between states.
<code>emis-</code> <code>sion_prior</code>	(normal_invwishart) Initial emission parameters, a normal-inverse Wishart distribution.
<code>emission</code>	(cond_rv_frozen) The conditional probability distribution used for the emission.

## Methods

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<code>decode(obs[, algorithm])</code>	Find the most likely state sequence.
<code>fit(obs[, n_init])</code>	Estimate model parameters.
<code>predict_proba(obs)</code>	Compute the posterior probability for each state in the model.
<code>sample(length[, size])</code>	Generates random samples from the model.
<code>score(obs)</code>	Compute log probability of the evidence (likelihood) under the model.
<code>score_samples(obs)</code>	Compute the log probability of the evidence.

---

### `mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.HMM.decode`

#### HMM.`decode` (*obs*, *algorithm*=’viterbi’)

Find the most likely state sequence.

Find the most likely state sequence corresponding to the observation *obs*. Uses the given algorithm for decoding.

**Parameters** `obs` : array\_like, shape (*nfeatures*, *T*)

The local evidence vector.

**algorithm** : {‘viterbi’, ‘map’}

Decoder algorithm to be used.

**Returns** `best_path` : array\_like, shape (*n*,

The most likely states for each observation

**loglik** : float

Log probability of the maximum likelihood path through the HMM

## **mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.HMM.fit**

`HMM.fit(obs, n_init=1)`

Estimate model parameters.

**Parameters** `obs` : array\_like, shape (*n*, *ni*, *nfeatures*)

List of observation sequences, where *n* is the number of sequences, *ni* is the length of the *i*\_th observation, and each observation has *nfeatures* features.

**Returns** float :

log likelihood of the sequence *obs*

## **mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.HMM.predict\_proba**

`HMM.predict_proba(obs)`

Compute the posterior probability for each state in the model.

**Parameters** `obs` : array\_like, shape (*n*, *len*, *nfeatures*)

Sequence of *nfeatures*-dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single point in the sequence.

**Returns** `posteriors` : array\_like, shape (*n*, *ncomponents*)

Posterior probabilities of each state for each observation

## **mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.HMM.sample**

`HMM.sample(length, size=1)`

Generates random samples from the model.

**Parameters** `length` : int or ndarray[int]

Length of a sample

`size` : int, optional

Number of samples to generate. Default is 1.

**Returns** `obs` : array\_like, shape (*n*, *ni*, *nfeatures*)

List of samples, where *n* is the number of samples, *ni* is the length of the *i*-th sample, and each observation has *nfeatures*.

**hidden\_states** : array\_like, shape ( $n$ ,  $ni$ )

List of hidden states, where  $n$  is the number of samples,  $ni$  is the i-th hidden state.

## mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.HMM.score

HMM. **score** ( $obs$ )

Compute log probability of the evidence (likelihood) under the model.

**Parameters** **obs** : array\_like, shape ( $n$ ,  $len$ ,  $nfeatures$ )

Sequence of  $nfeatures$ -dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single point in the sequence.

**Returns** **logp** : float

Log likelihood of the sequence  $obs$ .

## mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.HMM.score\_samples

HMM. **score\_samples** ( $obs$ )

Compute the log probability of the evidence.

Compute the log probability of the evidence (likelihood) under the model and the posteriors.

**Parameters** **obs** : array\_like, shape ( $n$ ,  $len$ ,  $nfeatures$ )

Sequence of  $nfeatures$ -dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single point in the sequence.

**Returns** **logp** : float

Log likelihood of the sequence  $obs$ .

**posteriors** : array\_like, shape ( $n$ ,  $ncomponents$ )

Posterior probabilities of each state for each observation

## mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.DiscreteHMM

```
class mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.DiscreteHMM(ncomponents=1, startprob_prior=None, startprob=None, transmat_prior=None, transmat=None, emission_prior=None, emission=None, n_iter=None, thresh=None, verbose=None)
```

Bases: [mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.HMM](#)

Hidden Markov Model with discrete(multinomial) emissions.

Representation of a hidden Markov model probability distribution. This class allows for easy evaluation of, sampling from, and maximum-likelihood estimation of the parameters of a HMM.

**Parameters** **ncomponents** : int

Number of states in the model.

**startprob\_prior** : array, shape ( $ncomponents$ ,

Initial state occupation prior distribution.

**startprob** : array, shape ( $ncomponents$ ,

Initial state occupation distribution.

**transmat\_prior** : array, shape (*ncomponents*, *ncomponents*)

Matrix of prior transition probabilities between states.

**transmat** : array, shape (*ncomponents*, *ncomponents*)

Matrix of transition probabilities between states.

**emission** : cond\_rv\_frozen

The conditional probability distribution used for the emission.

**emission\_prior** : normal\_invwishart

Initial emission parameters, a normal-inverse Wishart distribution.

**n\_iter** : int

Number of iterations to perform during training, optional.

**thresh** : float

Convergence threshold, optional.

**verbose** : bool

Controls if debug information is printed to the console, optional.

## Examples

```
>>> from mipy.stats.dbn.hmm import DiscreteHMM  
>>> DiscreteHMM(ncomponents=2)  
...
```

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## Attributes

---

<code>startprob_prior</code>	Vector of initial probabilities for each state.
<code>transmat_prior</code>	Transition probability matrix.

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### `mipy.stats.dbn.hmm.DiscreteHMM.startprob_prior`

`DiscreteHMM.startprob_prior`

Vector of initial probabilities for each state.

**Returns** `startprob_prior` : array, shape (*ncomponents*,

The initial probabilities.

### `mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.DiscreteHMM.transmat_prior`

#### `DiscreteHMM.transmat_prior`

Transition probability matrix.

**Returns** `transmat_prior` : array, shape (*ncomponents*, *ncomponents*)

Matrix of transition probabilities from each state to every other state.

<code>ncomponents</code>	(int) The number of hidden states.
<code>nfeatures</code>	(int) Dimensionality of the Gaussian emission.
<code>startprob</code>	(array, shape ( <i>ncomponents</i> ,)) Initial state occupation distribution.
<code>transmat</code>	(array, shape ( <i>ncomponents</i> , <i>ncomponents</i> )) Matrix of transition probabilities between states.
<code>emis-</code> <code>sion_prior</code>	(normal_invwishart) Initial emission parameters, a normal-inverse Wishart distribution.
<code>emission</code>	(cond_rv_frozen) The conditional probability distribution used for the emission.

## Methods

<code>decode(obs[, algorithm])</code>	Find the most likely state sequence.
<code>fit(obs[, n_init])</code>	Estimate model parameters.
<code>predict_proba(obs)</code>	Compute the posterior probability for each state in the model.
<code>sample(length[, size])</code>	Generates random samples from the model.
<code>score(obs)</code>	Compute log probability of the evidence (likelihood) under the model.
<code>score_samples(obs)</code>	Compute the log probability of the evidence.

### `mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.DiscreteHMM.decode`

#### `DiscreteHMM.decode (obs, algorithm='viterbi')`

Find the most likely state sequence.

Find the most likely state sequence corresponding to the observation *obs*. Uses the given algorithm for decoding.

**Parameters** `obs` : array\_like, shape (*nfeatures*, *T*)

The local evidence vector.

`algorithm` : {‘viterbi’, ‘map’}

Decoder algorithm to be used.

**Returns** `best_path` : array\_like, shape (*n*,

The most likely states for each observation

`loglik` : float

Log probability of the maximum likelihood path through the HMM

## **mipy.stats.dbn.hmm.DiscreteHMM.fit**

`DiscreteHMM.fit(obs, n_init=1)`

Estimate model parameters.

**Parameters** `obs` : array\_like, shape ( $n$ ,  $ni$ ,  $nfeatures$ )

List of observation sequences, where  $n$  is the number of sequences,  $ni$  is the length of the  $i$ \_th observation, and each observation has  $nfeatures$  features.

**Returns** float :

log likelihood of the sequence `obs`

## **mipy.stats.dbn.hmm.DiscreteHMM.predict\_proba**

`DiscreteHMM.predict_proba(obs)`

Compute the posterior probability for each state in the model.

**Parameters** `obs` : array\_like, shape ( $n$ ,  $len$ ,  $nfeatures$ )

Sequence of  $nfeatures$ -dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single point in the sequence.

**Returns** `postentials` : array\_like, shape ( $n$ ,  $ncomponents$ )

Posterior probabilities of each state for each observation

## **mipy.stats.dbn.hmm.DiscreteHMM.sample**

`DiscreteHMM.sample(length, size=1)`

Generates random samples from the model.

**Parameters** `length` : int or ndarray[int]

Length of a sample

`size` : int, optional

Number of samples to generate. Default is 1.

**Returns** `obs` : array\_like, shape ( $n$ ,  $ni$ ,  $nfeatures$ )

List of samples, where  $n$  is the number of samples,  $ni$  is the length of the  $i$ -th sample, and each observation has  $nfeatures$ .

`hidden_states` : array\_like, shape ( $n$ ,  $ni$ )

List of hidden states, where  $n$  is the number of samples,  $ni$  is the  $i$ -th hidden state.

## **mipy.stats.dbn.hmm.DiscreteHMM.score**

`DiscreteHMM.score(obs)`

Compute log probability of the evidence (likelihood) under the model.

**Parameters** `obs` : array\_like, shape ( $n$ ,  $len$ ,  $nfeatures$ )

Sequence of  $nfeatures$ -dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single point in the sequence.

**Returns** `logp` : float

Log likelihood of the sequence *obs*.

### `mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.DiscreteHMM.score_samples`

`DiscreteHMM.score_samples(obs)`

Compute the log probability of the evidence.

Compute the log probability of the evidence (likelihood) under the model and the posteriors.

**Parameters** `obs` : array\_like, shape (*n*, *len*, *nfeatures*)

Sequence of *nfeatures*-dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single point in the sequence.

**Returns** `logp` : float

Log likelihood of the sequence *obs*.

`posteriors` : array\_like, shape (*n*, *ncomponents*)

Posterior probabilities of each state for each observation

### `mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.GaussianHMM`

```
class mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.GaussianHMM(ncomponents=1, startprob_prior=None, startprob=None, transmat_prior=None, transmat=None, emission_prior=None, emission=None, n_iter=None, thresh=None, verbose=None)
```

Bases: `mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.HMM`

Hidden Markov Model with Gaussian emissions.

Representation of a hidden Markov model probability distribution. This class allows for easy evaluation of, sampling from, and maximum-likelihood estimation of the parameters of a HMM.

**Parameters** `ncomponents` : int

Number of states in the model.

`startprob_prior` : array, shape (*ncomponents*,

Initial state occupation prior distribution.

`startprob` : array, shape (*ncomponents*,

Initial state occupation distribution.

`transmat_prior` : array, shape (*ncomponents*, *ncomponents*)

Matrix of prior transition probabilities between states.

`transmat` : array, shape (*ncomponents*, *ncomponents*)

Matrix of transition probabilities between states.

`emission` : conditional\_normal\_frozen

The conditional probability distribution used for the emission.

`emission_prior` : normal\_invwishart

Initial emission parameters, a normal-inverse Wishart distribution.

**n\_iter** : int  
Number of iterations to perform during training, optional.

**thresh** : float  
Convergence threshold, optional.

**verbose** : bool  
Controls if debug information is printed to the console, optional.

## Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm import GaussianHMM  
>>> GaussianHMM(ncomponents=2)  
...
```

---

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## Attributes

<code>startprob_prior</code>	Vector of initial probabilities for each state.
<code>transmat_prior</code>	Transition probability matrix.
<code>mean</code>	The mean parameters for each state
<code>cov</code>	Covariance parameters for each state.

### **mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.GaussianHMM.startprob\_prior**

`GaussianHMM.startprob_prior`

Vector of initial probabilities for each state.

**Returns** `startprob_prior` : array, shape (*ncomponents*,

The initial probabilities.

### **mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.GaussianHMM.transmat\_prior**

`GaussianHMM.transmat_prior`

Transition probability matrix.

**Returns** `transmat_prior` : array, shape (*ncomponents*, *ncomponents*)

Matrix of transition probabilities from each state to every other state.

**mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.GaussianHMM.mean****GaussianHMM.mean**

The mean parameters for each state

**Returns** array, shape (*ncomponents*, *nfeatures*) :

Mean parameters for each state.

**mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.GaussianHMM.cov****GaussianHMM.cov**

Covariance parameters for each state.

**Returns** array, shape (*ncomponents*, *nfeatures*, *nfeatures*) :

Covariance parameters for each state as a full matrix

<code>ncomponents</code>	(int) The number of hidden states.
<code>nfeatures</code>	(int) Dimensionality of the Gaussian emission.
<code>startprob</code>	(array, shape ( <i>ncomponents</i> ,)) Initial state occupation distribution.
<code>transmat</code>	(array, shape ( <i>ncomponents</i> , <i>ncomponents</i> )) Matrix of transition probabilities between states.
<code>emission_prior</code>	(normal_invwishart) Initial emission parameters, a normal-inverse Wishart distribution.
<code>emission</code>	(cond_rv_frozen) The conditional probability distribution used for the emission.

**Methods**

<code>decode(obs[, algorithm])</code>	Find the most likely state sequence.
<code>fit(obs[, n_init])</code>	Estimate model parameters.
<code>predict_proba(obs)</code>	Compute the posterior probability for each state in the model.
<code>sample(length[, size])</code>	Generates random samples from the model.
<code>score(obs)</code>	Compute log probability of the evidence (likelihood) under the model.
<code>score_samples(obs)</code>	Compute the log probability of the evidence.

**mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.GaussianHMM.decode****GaussianHMM.decode** (*obs*, *algorithm*=’viterbi’)

Find the most likely state sequence.

Find the most likely state sequence corresponding to the observation *obs*. Uses the given algorithm for decoding.**Parameters** `obs` : array\_like, shape (*nfeatures*, *T*)

The local evidence vector.

`algorithm` : {‘viterbi’, ‘map’}

Decoder algorithm to be used.

**Returns** `best_path` : array\_like, shape (*n*,)

The most likely states for each observation

**loglik** : float

Log probability of the maximum likelihood path through the HMM

### **mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.GaussianHMM.fit**

GaussianHMM.**fit** (*obs*, *n\_init*=1)

Estimate model parameters.

**Parameters** **obs** : array\_like, shape (*n*, *ni*, *nfeatures*)

List of observation sequences, where *n* is the number of sequences, *ni* is the length of the *i*\_th observation, and each observation has *nfeatures* features.

**Returns** float :

log likelihood of the sequence *obs*

### **mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.GaussianHMM.predict\_proba**

GaussianHMM.**predict\_proba** (*obs*)

Compute the posterior probability for each state in the model.

**Parameters** **obs** : array\_like, shape (*n*, *len*, *nfeatures*)

Sequence of *nfeatures*-dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single point in the sequence.

**Returns** **posteriors** : array\_like, shape (*n*, *ncomponents*)

Posterior probabilities of each state for each observation

### **mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.GaussianHMM.sample**

GaussianHMM.**sample** (*length*, *size*=1)

Generates random samples from the model.

**Parameters** **length** : int or ndarray[int]

Length of a sample

**size** : int, optional

Number of samples to generate. Default is 1.

**Returns** **obs** : array\_like, shape (*n*, *ni*, *nfeatures*)

List of samples, where *n* is the number of samples, *ni* is the length of the *i*-th sample, and each observation has *nfeatures*.

**hidden\_states** : array\_like, shape (*n*, *ni*)

List of hidden states, where *n* is the number of samples, *ni* is the *i*-th hidden state.

**mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.GaussianHMM.score****GaussianHMM.score**(*obs*)

Compute log probability of the evidence (likelihood) under the model.

**Parameters** **obs** : array\_like, shape (*n, len, nfeatures*)Sequence of *nfeatures*-dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single point in the sequence.**Returns** **logp** : floatLog likelihood of the sequence *obs*.**mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.GaussianHMM.score\_samples****GaussianHMM.score\_samples**(*obs*)

Compute the log probability of the evidence.

Compute the log probability of the evidence (likelihood) under the model and the posteriors.

**Parameters** **obs** : array\_like, shape (*n, len, nfeatures*)Sequence of *nfeatures*-dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single point in the sequence.**Returns** **logp** : floatLog likelihood of the sequence *obs*.**posteriors** : array\_like, shape (*n, ncomponents*)

Posterior probabilities of each state for each observation

**mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.StudentHMM**

```
class mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.StudentHMM(ncomponents=1, startprob_prior=None, startprob=None, transmat_prior=None, transmat=None, emission_prior=None, emission=None, n_iter=None, thresh=None, verbose=None)
```

Bases: *mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.HMM*

Hidden Markov Model with Student emissions

Representation of a hidden Markov model probability distribution. This class allows for easy evaluation of, sampling from, and maximum-likelihood estimation of the parameters of a HMM.

**Parameters** **ncomponents** : int

Number of states in the model.

**startprob\_prior** : array, shape (*ncomponents,*)

Initial state occupation prior distribution.

**startprob** : array, shape (*ncomponents,*)

Initial state occupation distribution.

**transmat\_prior** : array, shape (*ncomponents, ncomponents*)

Matrix of prior transition probabilities between states.

**transmat** : array, shape (*ncomponents*, *ncomponents*)  
Matrix of transition probabilities between states.

**emission** : conditional\_student\_frozen  
The conditional probability distribution used for the emission.

**emission\_prior** : normal\_invwishart  
Initial emission parameters, a normal-inverse Wishart distribution.

**n\_iter** : int  
Number of iterations to perform during training, optional.

**thresh** : float  
Convergence threshold, optional.

**verbose** : bool  
Controls if debug information is printed to the console, optional.

## Examples

```
>>> from mipy.stats.dbn.hmm import StudentHMM
>>> StudentHMM(ncomponents=2)
...
```

---

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## Attributes

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<code>startprob_prior</code>	Vector of initial probabilities for each state.
<code>transmat_prior</code>	Transition probability matrix.

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### **mipy.stats.dbn.hmm.StudentHMM.startprob\_prior**

`StudentHMM.startprob_prior`  
Vector of initial probabilities for each state.

**Returns** `startprob_prior` : array, shape (*ncomponents*,

The initial probabilities.

**mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.StudentHMM.transmat\_prior****StudentHMM.transmat\_prior**

Transition probability matrix.

**Returns transmat\_prior** : array, shape (*ncomponents*, *ncomponents*)

Matrix of transition probabilities from each state to every other state.

<i>ncomponents</i>	(int) The number of hidden states.
<i>nfeatures</i>	(int) Dimensionality of the Gaussian emission.
<i>startprob</i>	(array, shape ( <i>ncomponents</i> ,)) Initial state occupation distribution.
<i>transmat</i>	(array, shape ( <i>ncomponents</i> , <i>ncomponents</i> )) Matrix of transition probabilities between states.
<i>emis-sion_prior</i>	(normal_invwishart) Initial emission parameters, a normal-inverse Wishart distribution.
<i>emission</i>	(cond_rv_frozen) The conditional probability distribution used for the emission.

**Methods**

<code>decode(obs[, algorithm])</code>	Find the most likely state sequence.
<code>fit(obs[, n_init])</code>	Estimate model parameters.
<code>predict_proba(obs)</code>	Compute the posterior probability for each state in the model.
<code>sample(length[, size])</code>	Generates random samples from the model.
<code>score(obs)</code>	Compute log probability of the evidence (likelihood) under the model.
<code>score_samples(obs)</code>	Compute the log probability of the evidence.

**mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.StudentHMM.decode****StudentHMM.decode** (*obs*, *algorithm*='viterbi')

Find the most likely state sequence.

Find the most likely state sequence corresponding to the observation *obs*. Uses the given algorithm for decoding.**Parameters obs** : array\_like, shape (*nfeatures*, *T*)

The local evidence vector.

**algorithm** : {‘viterbi’, ‘map’}

Decoder algorithm to be used.

**Returns best\_path** : array\_like, shape (*n*,

The most likely states for each observation

**loglik** : float

Log probability of the maximum likelihood path through the HMM

## mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.StudentHMM.fit

StudentHMM.**fit** (*obs*, *n\_init*=1)

Estimate model parameters.

**Parameters** *obs* : array\_like, shape (*n*, *ni*, *nfeatures*)

List of observation sequences, where *n* is the number of sequences, *ni* is the length of the *i*\_th observation, and each observation has *nfeatures* features.

**Returns** float :

log likelihood of the sequence *obs*

## mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.StudentHMM.predict\_proba

StudentHMM.**predict\_proba** (*obs*)

Compute the posterior probability for each state in the model.

**Parameters** *obs* : array\_like, shape (*n*, *len*, *nfeatures*)

Sequence of *nfeatures*-dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single point in the sequence.

**Returns** *postentials* : array\_like, shape (*n*, *ncomponents*)

Posterior probabilities of each state for each observation

## mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.StudentHMM.sample

StudentHMM.**sample** (*length*, *size*=1)

Generates random samples from the model.

**Parameters** *length* : int or ndarray[int]

Length of a sample

*size* : int, optional

Number of samples to generate. Default is 1.

**Returns** *obs* : array\_like, shape (*n*, *ni*, *nfeatures*)

List of samples, where *n* is the number of samples, *ni* is the length of the *i*-th sample, and each observation has *nfeatures*.

**hidden\_states** : array\_like, shape (*n*, *ni*)

List of hidden states, where *n* is the number of samples, *ni* is the *i*-th hidden state.

## mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.StudentHMM.score

StudentHMM.**score** (*obs*)

Compute log probability of the evidence (likelihood) under the model.

**Parameters** *obs* : array\_like, shape (*n*, *len*, *nfeatures*)

Sequence of *nfeatures*-dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single point in the sequence.

**Returns** **logp** : float

Log likelihood of the sequence *obs*.

### mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.StudentHMM.score\_samples

**StudentHMM.score\_samples** (*obs*)

Compute the log probability of the evidence.

Compute the log probability of the evidence (likelihood) under the model and the posteriors.

**Parameters** **obs** : array\_like, shape (*n*, *len*, *nfeatures*)

Sequence of *nfeatures*-dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single point in the sequence.

**Returns** **logp** : float

Log likelihood of the sequence *obs*.

**posteriors** : array\_like, shape (*n*, *ncomponents*)

Posterior probabilities of each state for each observation

### mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.GMMHMM

```
class mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.GMMHMM(ncomponents=1, nmix=1, startprob_prior=None, startprob=None, transmat_prior=None, transmat=None, emission_prior=None, emission=None, n_iter=None, thresh=None, verbose=None)
```

Bases: *mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.HMM*

Hidden Markov Model with Gaussian mixture emissions.

Representation of a hidden Markov model probability distribution. This class allows for easy evaluation of, sampling from, and maximum-likelihood estimation of the parameters of a HMM.

**Parameters** **ncomponents** : int

Number of states in the model.

**nmix** : int

Number of mixtures.

**startprob\_prior** : array, shape (*ncomponents*,

Initial state occupation prior distribution.

**startprob** : array, shape (*ncomponents*,

Initial state occupation distribution.

**transmat\_prior** : array, shape (*ncomponents*, *ncomponents*)

Matrix of prior transition probabilities between states.

**transmat** : array, shape (*ncomponents*, *ncomponents*)

Matrix of transition probabilities between states.

**emission** : conditional\_mix\_normal\_frozen

The conditional probability distribution used for the emission.

**emission\_prior** : normal\_invwishart  
Initial emission parameters, a normal-inverse Wishart distribution.

**n\_iter** : int  
Number of iterations to perform during training, optional.

**thresh** : float  
Convergence threshold, optional.

**verbose** : bool  
Controls if debug information is printed to the console, optional.

## Examples

```
>>> from mipy.stats.dbn.hmm import GMMHMM
>>> GMMHMM(ncomponents=2)
...
```

---

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## Attributes

<code>startprob_prior</code>	Vector of initial probabilities for each state.
<code>transmat_prior</code>	Transition probability matrix.

### `mipy.stats.dbn.hmm.GMMHMM.startprob_prior`

`GMMHMM.startprob_prior`  
Vector of initial probabilities for each state.

**Returns** `startprob_prior` : array, shape (*ncomponents*,)  
The initial probabilities.

### `mipy.stats.dbn.hmm.GMMHMM.transmat_prior`

`GMMHMM.transmat_prior`  
Transition probability matrix.

**Returns** `transmat_prior` : array, shape (*ncomponents*, *ncomponents*)  
Matrix of transition probabilities from each state to every other state.

ncomponents	(int) The number of hidden states.
nmix	(int) Number of mixtures.
nfeatures	(int) Dimensionality of the Gaussian emission.
startprob	(array, shape ( <i>ncomponents</i> ,)) Initial state occupation distribution.
transmat	(array, shape ( <i>ncomponents</i> , <i>ncomponents</i> )) Matrix of transition probabilities between states.
emission_prior	(normal_invwishart) Initial emission parameters, a normal-inverse Wishart distribution.
emission	(cond_rv_frozen) The conditional probability distribution used for the emission.

## Methods

<code>decode(obs[, algorithm])</code>	Find the most likely state sequence.
<code>fit(obs[, n_init])</code>	Estimate model parameters.
<code>predict_proba(obs)</code>	Compute the posterior probability for each state in the model.
<code>sample(length[, size])</code>	Generates random samples from the model.
<code>score(obs)</code>	Compute log probability of the evidence (likelihood) under the model.
<code>score_samples(obs)</code>	Compute the log probability of the evidence.

### mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.GMMHMM.decode

`GMMHMM.decode (obs, algorithm='viterbi')`

Find the most likely state sequence.

Find the most likely state sequence corresponding to the observation *obs*. Uses the given algorithm for decoding.

**Parameters** `obs` : array\_like, shape (*nfeatures*, *T*)

The local evidence vector.

`algorithm` : {‘viterbi’, ‘map’}

Decoder algorithm to be used.

**Returns** `best_path` : array\_like, shape (*n*,)

The most likely states for each observation

`loglik` : float

Log probability of the maximum likelihood path through the HMM

### mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.GMMHMM.fit

`GMMHMM.fit (obs, n_init=1)`

Estimate model parameters.

**Parameters** `obs` : array\_like, shape (*n*, *ni*, *nfeatures*)

List of observation sequences, where *n* is the number of sequences, *ni* is the length of the *i*\_th observation, and each observation has *nfeatures* features.

**Returns** float :

log likelihood of the sequence *obs*

### `mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.GMMHMM.predict_proba`

`GMMHMM.predict_proba(obs)`

Compute the posterior probability for each state in the model.

**Parameters** `obs` : array\_like, shape (*n*, *len*, *nfeatures*)

Sequence of *nfeatures*-dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single point in the sequence.

**Returns** `postentials` : array\_like, shape (*n*, *ncomponents*)

Posterior probabilities of each state for each observation

### `mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.GMMHMM.sample`

`GMMHMM.sample(length, size=1)`

Generates random samples from the model.

**Parameters** `length` : int or ndarray[int]

Length of a sample

`size` : int, optional

Number of samples to generate. Default is 1.

**Returns** `obs` : array\_like, shape (*n*, *ni*, *nfeatures*)

List of samples, where *n* is the number of samples, *ni* is the length of the *i*-th sample, and each observation has *nfeatures*.

`hidden_states` : array\_like, shape (*n*, *ni*)

List of hidden states, where *n* is the number of samples, *ni* is the *i*-th hidden state.

### `mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.GMMHMM.score`

`GMMHMM.score(obs)`

Compute log probability of the evidence (likelihood) under the model.

**Parameters** `obs` : array\_like, shape (*n*, *len*, *nfeatures*)

Sequence of *nfeatures*-dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single point in the sequence.

**Returns** `logp` : float

Log likelihood of the sequence *obs*.

### `mlpy.stats.dbn.hmm.GMMHMM.score_samples`

`GMMHMM.score_samples(obs)`

Compute the log probability of the evidence.

Compute the log probability of the evidence (likelihood) under the model and the posteriors.

**Parameters** `obs` : array\_like, shape ( $n$ ,  $len$ ,  $nfeatures$ )

Sequence of  $nfeatures$ -dimensional data points. Each row corresponds to a single point in the sequence.

**Returns** `logp` : float

Log likelihood of the sequence `obs`.

`posteriors` : array\_like, shape ( $n$ ,  $ncomponents$ )

Posterior probabilities of each state for each observation

<code>is_posdef</code>	Test if matrix $a$ is positive definite.
<code>randpd</code>	Create a random positive definite matrix of size $dim$ -by- $dim$ .
<code>stacked_randpd</code>	Create stacked positive definite matrices.
<code>normalize_logspace</code>	Normalizes the array $a$ in the log domain.
<code>sq_distance</code>	Efficiently compute squared Euclidean distances between stats of vectors.
<code>partitioned_cov</code>	Covariance of groups.
<code>partitioned_mean</code>	Mean of groups.
<code>partitioned_sum</code>	Sums of groups.
<code>shrink_cov</code>	Covariance shrinkage estimation.
<code>canonize_labels</code>	Transform labels to 1:k.
<code>nonuniform</code>	Create a new <i>Mock</i> object.
<code>gibbs</code>	Create a new <i>Mock</i> object.
<code>conditional_normal</code>	
<code>conditional_student</code>	
<code>conditional_mix_normal</code>	
<code>multivariate_normal</code>	
<code>multivariate_student</code>	
<code>invwishart</code>	
<code>normal_invwishart</code>	
<code>models.markov</code>	



# CHAPTER 23

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## Tools (mlpy.tools)

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<i>ConfigMgr</i>	The configuration manager.
<i>LoggingMgr</i>	The logging manager <i>Singleton</i> class.

### mlpy.tools.configuration.ConfigMgr

```
class mlpy.tools.configuration.ConfigMgr (filename, import_modules=None, eval_key=None)  
Bases: object
```

The configuration manager.

The configuration manager provides access to configuration files (usually in **JSON** format) for client applications.

**Parameters** `filename` : str

The name of the configuration file.

`import_modules` : str or list[str]

Modules required by the configuration file that must be imported first.

`eval_key` : bool

Whether to evaluate the key. If this is *True*, the key will be evaluated as a statement by a call to `eval`.

**Raises** `TypeError`

If the configuration file is not read in a dictionary

### Examples

Assuming there exists a file `events_map.json` containing the following configuration:

```
{
    "keyboard": {
        "down": {
            "pygame.K_ESCAPE": "QUIT",
            "pygame.K_SPACE": [-1.0],
            "pygame.K_LEFT": [-0.004],
            "pygame.K_RIGHT": [0.004]
        }
    }
}
```

The keys can be mapped to the PyGame keyboard constants, when the file is loaded by the configuration manager as follows:

```
>>> cfg = ConfigMgr("events_map.json", "pygame", eval_key=True)
```

This allows to retrieve the values for the keys in the configuration file by using the PyGame keyboard constants, which are returned in the *key* attribute of the PyGame event:

```
>>> import pygame
>>> for event in pygame.event.get():
>>>     print cfg.get("keyboard.down." + str(event.key))
```

## Methods

<code>get(key)</code>	Return the value for the given key.
<code>has_config(key)</code>	Checks if the given key exists in the configuration.

### mlpy.tools.configuration.ConfigMgr.get

`ConfigMgr.get(key)`

Return the value for the given key.

**Parameters** `key` : str

The key for the configuration. Concatenate keys by dots (.) to access keys at deeper levels in the configuration.

**Raises** `KeyError`

If the key does not exist in the configuration

### mlpy.tools.configuration.ConfigMgr.has\_config

`ConfigMgr.has_config(key)`

Checks if the given key exists in the configuration.

**Parameters** `key` : str

The key for the configuration. Concatenate keys by dots (.) to access keys at deeper levels in the configuration.

**Returns** bool :

Whether the key exists or not.

## mlpy.tools.log.LoggingMgr

```
class mlpy.tools.log.LoggingMgr
    Bases: object
```

The logging manager *Singleton* class.

The logger manager can be included as a member to any class to manager logging of information. Each logger is identified by the module id (*mid*), with which the logger settings can be changed.

By default a logger with log level LOG\_INFO that is output to the stdout is created.

**See also:**

[logging](#)

### Examples

```
>>> from mlpy.tools.log import LoggingMgr
>>> logger = LoggingMgr().get_logger('my_id')
>>> logger.info('This is a useful information.')
```

This gets a new logger. If a logger with the module id *my\_id* already exists that logger will be returned, otherwise a logger with the default settings is created.

```
>>> LoggingMgr().add_handler('my_id', htype=LoggingMgr.LOG_TYPE_FILE)
```

This adds a new handler for the logger with module id *my\_id* writing the logs to a file.

```
>>> LoggingMgr().remove_handler('my_id', htype=LoggingMgr.LOG_TYPE_STREAM)
```

This removes the stream handler from the logger with module id *my\_id*.

```
>>> LoggingMgr().change_level('my_id', LoggingMgr.LOG_TYPE_ALL, LoggingMgr.LOG_
    -> DEBUG)
```

This changes the log level for all attached handlers of the logger identified by *my\_id* to LOG\_DEBUG.

### Attributes

LOG_TYPE_STREAM	Only to output stream (stdout).
LOG_TYPE_FILE	Log only to an output file.
LOG_TYPE_ALL	Log to both output stream (stdout) and file.
LOG_DEBUG=10	Detailed information, typically of interest only when diagnosing problems.
LOG_INFO=20	Confirmation that things are working as expected.
LOG_WARNING=30	An indication that something unexpected happened, or indicative of some problem in the near future. The software is still working as expected.
LOG_ERROR=40	Due to a more serious problem, the software has not been able to perform some function.
LOG_CRITICAL=50	serious error, indicating that the problem itself may be unable to continue running.

### Methods

<code>add_handler(mid[, htype, hlevel, fmt, filename])</code>	Add a handler to the logger.
<code>change_level(mid, hlevel[, htype])</code>	Set the log level for a handler.
<code>get_logger(mid[, level, htype, fmt, ...])</code>	Get the logger instance with the identified <i>mid</i> .
<code>get_verbosity(mid)</code>	Gets the verbosity.
<code>remove_handler(mid, htype)</code>	Remove handlers.
<code>set_verbosity(mid, value)</code>	Sets the verbosity.

## mlpy.tools.log.LoggingMgr.add\_handler

`LoggingMgr.add_handler(mid, htype=0, hlevel=20, fmt=None, filename=None)`

Add a handler to the logger.

**Parameters** `mid` : str

The module id of the logger

`htype` : int, optional

The logging type to add to the handler. Default is LOG\_TYPE\_STREAM.

`hlevel` : int, optional

The logging level. Default is LOG\_INFO.

`fmt` : str, optional

The format in which the information is presented. Default is “[%(levelname)-8s  
] %(name)s: %(funcName)s: %(message)s”

`filename` : str, optional

The name of the file the file handler writes the logs to. Default is a generated filename.

## mlpy.tools.log.LoggingMgr.change\_level

`LoggingMgr.change_level(mid, hlevel, htype=2)`

Set the log level for a handler.

**Parameters** `mid` : str

The module id of the logger

`hlevel` : int

The logging level.

`htype` : int, optional

The logging type of handler for which to change the log level. Default is LOG\_TYPE\_ALL.

## mlpy.tools.log.LoggingMgr.get\_logger

`LoggingMgr.get_logger(mid, level=20, htype=0, fmt=None, verbose=True, filename=None)`

Get the logger instance with the identified *mid*.

If a logger with the *mid* does not exist, a new logger will be created with the given settings. By default only a stream handler is attached to the logger.

**Parameters** **mid** : str

The module id of the logger.

**level** : int, optional

The top level logging level. Default is LOG\_INFO.

**htype** : int, optional

The logging type of handler. Default is LOG\_TYPE\_STREAM.

**fmt** : str, optional

The format in which the information is presented. Default is “[%(levelname)-8s ] %(name)s: %(funcName)s: %(message)s”

**verbose** : bool, optional

The verbosity setting of the logger. Default is True

**filename** : str, optional

The name of the file the file handler writes the logs to. Default is a generated filename.

**Returns** The logging instance.

## mlpy.tools.log.LoggingMgr.get\_verbosity

LoggingMgr.**get\_verbosity**(*mid*)

Gets the verbosity.

The current setting of the verbosity of the logger identified by *mid* is returned.

**Parameters** **mid** : str

The module id of the logger to change the verbosity of.

**Returns** bool :

Whether to turn the verbosity on or off.

## mlpy.tools.log.LoggingMgr.remove\_handler

LoggingMgr.**remove\_handler**(*mid*, *htype*)

Remove handlers.

Removes all handlers of the given handler type from the logger.

**Parameters** **mid** : str

The module id of the logger

**htype** : int

The logging type to remove from the handler.

## mlpy.tools.log.LoggingMgr.set\_verbosity

LoggingMgr.**set\_verbosity**(*mid*, *value*)

Sets the verbosity.

Turn logging on/off for logger identified by *mid*.

**Parameters** *mid* : str

The module id of the logger to change the verbosity of.

**value** : bool

Whether to turn the verbosity on or off.

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*Waiting*

The waiting class.

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## mlpy.tools.misc.Waiting

class mlpy.tools.misc.Waiting(*text=None*)

Bases: `threading.Thread`

The waiting class.

The waiting class prints dots (.) on stdout to indicate that a process is running. The waiting process runs on a different thread to not disturbed the running process.

### Examples

```
>>> def long_process():
...     for i in xrange(20):
...         pass
...
>>> w = Waiting("processing")
>>>
>>> w.start()
>>> long_process()
>>> w.stop()
processing .....
```

### Attributes

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<i>daemon</i>	A boolean value indicating whether this thread is a daemon thread (True) or not (False).
<i>ident</i>	Thread identifier of this thread or None if it has not been started.
<i>name</i>	A string used for identification purposes only.

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## mlpy.tools.misc.Waiting.daemon

Waiting.**daemon**

A boolean value indicating whether this thread is a daemon thread (True) or not (False).

This must be set before start() is called, otherwise RuntimeError is raised. Its initial value is inherited from the creating thread; the main thread is not a daemon thread and therefore all threads created in the main thread default to daemon = False.

The entire Python program exits when no alive non-daemon threads are left.

## mlpy.tools.misc.Waiting.ident

### `Waiting.ident`

Thread identifier of this thread or None if it has not been started.

This is a nonzero integer. See the `thread.get_ident()` function. Thread identifiers may be recycled when a thread exits and another thread is created. The identifier is available even after the thread has exited.

## mlpy.tools.misc.Waiting.name

### `Waiting.name`

A string used for identification purposes only.

It has no semantics. Multiple threads may be given the same name. The initial name is set by the constructor.

## Methods

<code>getName()</code>	
<code>isAlive()</code>	Return whether the thread is alive.
<code>isDaemon()</code>	
<code>is_alive()</code>	Return whether the thread is alive.
<code>join([timeout])</code>	Wait until the thread terminates.
<code>run()</code>	Run the process.
<code>setDaemon(daemonic)</code>	
<code>setName(name)</code>	
<code>start()</code>	Start the process.
<code>stop()</code>	End the process.

## mlpy.tools.misc.Waiting.getName

### `Waiting.getName()`

## mlpy.tools.misc.Waiting.isAlive

### `Waiting.isAlive()`

Return whether the thread is alive.

This method returns True just before the run() method starts until just after the run() method terminates. The module function enumerate() returns a list of all alive threads.

## mlpy.tools.misc.Waiting.isDaemon

### `Waiting.isDaemon()`

## mlpy.tools.misc.Waiting.is\_alive

`Waiting.is_alive()`

Return whether the thread is alive.

This method returns True just before the run() method starts until just after the run() method terminates. The module function enumerate() returns a list of all alive threads.

## mlpy.tools.misc.Waiting.join

`Waiting.join(timeout=None)`

Wait until the thread terminates.

This blocks the calling thread until the thread whose join() method is called terminates – either normally or through an unhandled exception or until the optional timeout occurs.

When the timeout argument is present and not None, it should be a floating point number specifying a timeout for the operation in seconds (or fractions thereof). As join() always returns None, you must call isAlive() after join() to decide whether a timeout happened – if the thread is still alive, the join() call timed out.

When the timeout argument is not present or None, the operation will block until the thread terminates.

A thread can be joined many times.

join() raises a RuntimeError if an attempt is made to join the current thread as that would cause a deadlock. It is also an error to join() a thread before it has been started and attempts to do so raises the same exception.

## mlpy.tools.misc.Waiting.run

`Waiting.run()`

Run the process.

This method is automatically called by the thread.

## mlpy.tools.misc.Waiting.setDaemon

`Waiting.setDaemon(daemonic)`

## mlpy.tools.misc.Waiting.setName

`Waiting.setName(name)`

## mlpy.tools.misc.Waiting.start

`Waiting.start()`

Start the process.

## mlpy.tools.misc.Waiting.stop

Waiting.**stop**()  
End the process.



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