

11.4 Modeling an "Able" Invader—the "Cane" Toad

AgentSheets Quick Review Questions

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Compose all the following answers in AgentSheets:

Phase 0: Initialization

Quick Review Question 1 Write the method *createToads*.

Quick Review Question 2 Write the *WHEN-CREATING-NEW-AGENT* method for initialization of a *Toad* agent.

Quick Review Question 3 Suppose *PERCENT_AWPS* is 0.3, *PERCENT_AWPS_FENCED* is 25, and *PERCENT_MOIST_AREAS* is 0.1 and the grid is 100-by-40 cells. On the average, after the initialization phase how many of the following would we expect on the grid:

- a. *Awp* agents before initialization of *FencedAwp* agents
- b. *FencedAwp* agents
- c. *Awp* agents after initialization of *FencedAwp* agents
- d. *MoistArea* agents
- e. If there are 5 *Awp*, 2 *FencedAwp*, and 3 *MoistArea* agents, none of which are next to a border or each other, how many *AwpAdjacent* agents are there?

Quick Review Question 4 Write the following *Desert* methods for completion of the landscape:

- a. *placeAwp*s
- b. *placeFencedAwp*s
- c. *initAwp*
- d. *initAwp2*

Phase 1: Consumption

Quick Review Question 5 Suppose *AMT_EAT* = 0.01 and *FRACTION_WATER* = 0.6. Assume a toad is on top of a desert cell. Give the values of a toad's *energy* and

water and a desert cell's *food* after execution of *eat* and *updateFood* for each of the following situations:

- a. *energy* = 0.9, *water* = 0.8, and *availableFood* = 0.03
- b. *energy* = 0.9, *water* = 0.8, and *availableFood* = 0.005
- c. *energy* = 0.999, *water* = 0.8, and *availableFood* = 0.03
- d. *energy* = 0.9, *water* = 0.999, and *availableFood* = 0.03

Quick Review Question 6 Write the following consumption methods:

- a. *Toad* method *toadMayEat*
- b. *Toad* method *eat*
- c. *Desert* method *updateFood*
- d. *Toad* method *toadMayDrink*
- e. *Toad* method *drink*

Phase 2: Movement

Quick Review Question 7 Write the toad method *toadMove*.

Quick Review Question 8 Write the following functions related to movement for moisture:

- a. *thirsty*
- b. *stayHere* and *here*
- c. *lookForMoisture*
- d. *moveW*
- e. *useWaterEnergyHopping*

Quick Review Question 9 Write the *Toad* method *lookForFood*.

Quick Review Question 10 Write the following *Toad* methods related to hopping for fun:

- a. *hopForFun*
- b. *hopHere*

Phase 3: Complete Cycle

Quick Review Question 11 Write the following functions:

- a. *changeCounts*
- b. *checkTerminate*

Answers to Quick Review Questions

1.

ON (createToads)

Create toad with probability INIT_PERCENT_TOADS/100

Number of rules: 1

If

```
SEE ([red square] , [X]), and
%-CHANCE (@INIT_PERCENT_TOADS)
```

Then

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NEW ([red square] , [blue square])
```

2.

WHEN-CREATING-NEW-AGENT ()

'food' and 'moisture' set to -1 to avoid more than 1 toad in same position

Number of rules: 1

If

```
SEE ([red square] , [blue square])
```

Then

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SET (@numAlive , to , @numAlive + 1), and
SET (energy , to , @AMT_MIN_INIT + random(@INIT_RANGE)), and
SET (water , to , @AMT_MIN_INIT + random(@INIT_RANGE)), and
SET (prevDir , to , 0), and
SET (numTimeSteps , to , 1), and
SET (availableFood , to , -1), and
SET (availableMoisture , to , -1), and
SET (food , to , -1), and
SET (moisture , to , -1)
```

3.

- a. $12 = (0.003)(100)(40)$
- b. $3 = (0.25)(12)$, where 12 is obtained from Part a
- c. $9 = 12 - 3$
- d. A little less than $4 = (0.001)(100)(40)$, because immediately before initialization of moist areas, some of the $(100)(40) = 4000$ *Desert* agents have likely been converted to *Awp* and/or *FencedAwp* agents
- e. $56 = (8)(5 + 2)$ because each *Awp* and *FencedAwp* agent is surrounded by 8 *AwpAdjacent* agents.

4. a.

▷ON (placeAwps)




Place AWPs, fenced AWPs, and moist areas on desert. Chance of changing a Desert agent to an Awp agent is PERCENT_AWPS/100. Chance of changing a Desert agent to a MoistArea agent is PERCENT_MOIST_AREAS/100.

Number of rules: 2





If

SEE ( , ), and
SEE ( , ), and
%-CHANCE (@PERCENT_AWPS)




Then

ERASE (), and
NEW ( , )

If

SEE ( , ), and
SEE ( , ), and
%-CHANCE (@PERCENT_MOIST_AREAS)

Then

NEW ( , ), and
ERASE ()



4. b.

▷ON (placeFencedAwps)

Change of changing an Awp agent to a FencedAwp is PERCENT_AWPS_FENCED/100.

Number of rules: 1

If

%-CHANCE (@PERCENT_AWPS_FENCED), and
SEE ( , )

Then

ERASE (), and
NEW ( , )



4. c.

¬ON (initAwp)


If current agent is a Desert agent that is staced below another desert agent (such as an Awp agent), erase the current agent. If The current agent is a Desert agent that is adjacent to an Awp or a FencedAwp agent, change the current agent to an AwpAdjacent agent.

Number of rules: 3


If

SEE ( , ), and
STACKED-A (immediately below , a , Desert)


Then

ERASE ()

If

SEE ( , ), and
NEXT-TO (> , 0 , )


Then

ERASE (), and
NEW ( , )

If

SEE ( , ), and
NEXT-TO (> , 0 , )

Then

ERASE (), and
NEW ( , )




4. d.

¬ON (initAwp2)




If The current agent is a Desert agent that is adjacent to an AwpAdjacent agent, change the current agent to an AwpOver2 agent.

Number of rules: 1

If

SEE ( , ), and
NEXT-TO (> , 0 , )

Then

ERASE (), and
NEW ( , )

5. a. $energy = 0.91$, $water = 0.806$, and $food = 0.02$ because $amtEat = 0.01$, so $energy = 0.9 + 0.01$, $water = 0.8 + 0.6 \cdot 0.01$, and $food = 0.03 - 0.01$
- b. $energy = 0.905$, $water = 0.803$, and $food = 0.0$ because $amtEat = availableFood = 0.005$, so $energy = 0.9 + 0.005$, $water = 0.8 + 0.6 \cdot 0.005$, and $food = 0.005 - 0.005$
- c. $energy = 1.0$, $water = 0.8006$, and $food = 0.029$ because $amtEat = 1 - energy = 0.001$, so $energy = 0.9 + 0.001$, $water = 0.8 + 0.6 \cdot 0.001$, and $food = 0.03 - 0.001$
- d. $energy = 0.91$, $water = 1.0$, and $food = 0.02$ because $amtEat = 0.01$, so $energy = 0.9 + 0.01$, $water = \text{the minimum of } 0.999 + 0.6 \cdot 0.01 = 1.005 \text{ and } 1.0$, and $food = 0.03 - 0.01$

6. a.

▷ON (toadMayEat)

*Toad behavior regarding eating**Number of rules: 3***If**

```
STACKED-A (somewhere above , a , Desert), and
IS (energy , < , @WOULD_LIKE_EAT)
```

Then

```
MAKE ( [ ] , eat)
```

If

```
STACKED-A (somewhere above , a , Desert), and
IS (water , < , @WOULD_LIKE_DRINK), and
IS (random(1.0) , < , @MAY_EAT)
```

Then

```
MAKE ( [ ] , eat)
```

If

```
no condition
```

Then

```
SET (amtEat , to , 0)
```

6. b.

▷ON (eat)

*Function to update a toad's energy and water after it eats**Number of rules: 1***If**

```
no condition
```

Then

```
MAKE ( [ ] , calcAmtEat), and
SET (energy , to , energy + amtEat), and
MAKE ( [ ] , waterFromFood)
```

▷ON (calcAmtEat)

*Calculate amtEat the minimum of @AMT_EAT, food, and 1 - energy.**Number of rules: 1***If**

```
no condition
```

Then

```
SET (oneMinusEnergy , to , 1-energy), and
SET (minAMTEATAvail , to , min(@AMT_EAT,availableFood)), and
SET (amtEat , to , min(oneMinusEnergy,minAMTEATAvail))
```

¬ON (waterFromFood)*Update toad's water obtained from food**Number of rules: 2*

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If
  IS (water + @FRACTION_WATER * amtEat , < , 1)
Then
  SET (water , to , water + @FRACTION_WATER * amtEat)

If
  no condition
Then
  SET (water , to , 1)

```

6. c.

ON (updateFood)*Update the food for a desert agent after a toad on top of it has eaten.**Number of rules: 4*

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If
  SEE ([ ] , [ ]), and
  STACKED-A (immediately below , a , Toad)
Then
  SET (food , to , food - amtEat[top]), and
  MAP (food , to Color , between , 15263976 , for , 0 , and , 7368816 , for , @FOOD_CELL)

If
  SEE ([ ] , [ ]), and
  STACKED-A (immediately above , a , Toad)
Then
  SET (food , to , food - amtEat[top]), and
  MAP (food , to Color , between , 15263976 , for , 0 , and , 7368816 , for , @FOOD_CELL)

If
  SEE-A ([ ] , Desert), and
  STACKED-A (immediately below , a , Toad)
Then
  SET (food , to , food - amtEat[top])

If
  SEE-A ([ ] , Desert), and
  STACKED-A (immediately above , a , Toad)
Then
  SET (food , to , food - amtEat[top])

```

6. d.

¬ON (toadMayDrink)*Toad behavior regarding drinking**Number of rules: 1*

```

If
  IS (water , < , @WOULD_LIKE_DRINK), and
  STACKED (somewhere above , [ ])
Then
  MAKE ([ ] , drink)

```

6. e.

¬ON (drink)

*Function to update a toad's water after it drinks**Number of rules: 2*

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If
  IS (water + @AMT_DRINK , <= , 1)
Then
  SET (water , to , water + @AMT_DRINK)

```

```

If
  no condition
Then
  SET (water , to , 1)

```

7.

ON (toadMove)

*Possibly move the toad**Number of rules: 4*

```

If
  IS (water , < , @WOULD_LIKE_DRINK)
Then
  MAKE ([ ] , thirsty)

```

```

If
  IS (energy , < , @WOULD_LIKE_EAT)
Then
  MAKE ([ ] , lookForFood)

```

```

If
  IS (random(1.0) , < , @MAY_HOP)
Then
  MAKE ([ ] , hopForFun)

```

```

If
  no condition
Then
  MAKE ([ ] , stayHere)

```

8. a.
ON (thirsty)

Function to change the position of a very thirsty toad

Number of rules: 4

```

If
  STACKED (somewhere above , ■)
Then
  MAKE (■ , stayHere)

If
  STACKED-A (somewhere above , a , Desert)
Then
  SET (maxMoisture , to , max(moisture[up],max(moisture[right],max(moisture[down],moisture[left])))), and
  MAKE (■ , lookForMoisture)

If
  STACKED (somewhere above , ☒), and
  SEE-A (☒ , Desert)
Then
  MAKE (■ , moveW)

If
  STACKED (somewhere above , ☒)
Then
  MAKE (■ , stayHere)

```

8. b.
ON (stayHere)

Procedure for toad to stay in current location

Number of rules: 1

```

If
  no condition
Then
  MAKE (■ , here), and
  MAKE (■ , useWaterEnergySitting)

```

ON (here)

Function to update a toad's state when staying in the current location

Number of rules: 1

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If
  no condition
Then
  SET (availableFood , to , food[bottom]), and
  SET (availableMoisture , to , moisture[bottom])


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

8. c.
ON (lookForMoisture)

Function to move toad towards maximum moisture when toad was at current location at last time step. Called by lookForMoisture.

Number of rules: 2

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If
  IS (maxMoisture , < , 0)
Then
  MAKE (  , stayHere)

If
  no condition
Then
  HILLCLIMB (moisture , in , Four Directions (Von Neumann neighborhood)) , and
  MAKE (  , here) , and
  MAKE (  , useWaterEnergyHopping)




```

8. d.
ON (moveW)

Function to update a toad's state when moving to the west

Number of rules: 1

```

If
  no condition
Then
  MOVE (  , and
  MAKE (  , here) , and
  MAKE (  , useWaterEnergyHopping)


```

8. e.
ON (useWaterEnergyHopping)

Procedure to reduce a toad's energy and water after hopping


Number of rules: 3

```

If
  STACKED (immediately above , )
Then
  SET (energy , to , energy - @ENERGY_HOPPING) , and
  SET (water , to , water - @WATER_HOPPING)

```

```

If
  STACKED (immediately above , )
Then
  SET (energy , to , energy - @ENERGY_HOPPING) , and
  SET (water , to , water - @WATER_HOPPING)

```

```

If
  no condition
Then
  SET (energy , to , energy - @ENERGY_HOPPING)

```



9.

ON (lookForFood)

Function to have a toad go to/remain at a vacant neighborhood location with the maximum amount of food

Number of rules: 3


If

STACKED (somewhere above , ) , and
SEE-A (, Desert)

Then

MAKE (, moveW)

If

STACKED (somewhere above , )


Then

MAKE (, stayHere)

If

no condition

Then

SET (maxFood , to , max(availableFood,max(food[up],max(food[right],max(food[down],food[left])))), and
MAKE (, goToFood)

ON (goToFood)

Function to update a toad's location to hop in a random "legal" direction with the most amount of food

Number of rules: 2

If

IS (availableFood , = , maxFood)

Then


MAKE (, stayHere)


If

no condition

Then

HILLCLIMB (food , in , Four Directions (Von Neumann neighborhood)), and

MAKE (, here), and

MAKE (, useWaterEnergyHopping)



10. a.

ON (hopForFun)

Function to update a toad's location to hop in a random "legal" direction if possible

Number of rules: 4

If

STACKED (somewhere above , ) , and
SEE-A ( , Desert)

Then

MAKE ( , moveW)


If

STACKED (somewhere above , )



Then

MAKE ( , stayHere)

If

NEXT-TO (> , 0 , )

Then

MOVE-RANDOM-ON () , and
MAKE ( , hopHere)

If

no condition

Then

MAKE ( , stayHere)

10. b.

ON (hopHere)



Procedure when toad hops to current location

Number of rules: 1

If

no condition

Then

MAKE ( , here) , and
MAKE ( , useWaterEnergyHopping)

11. a.

ON (changeCounts)


Method to eliminate a toad that should be dead or migrated

Number of rules: 3

If

IS (water , < , @DESICCATE)


Then

ERASE (, and
SET (@numAlive , to , @numAlive - 1), and
SET (@numDead , to , @numDead + 1)


If

IS (energy , < , @STARVE)


Then

ERASE (, and
SET (@numAlive , to , @numAlive - 1), and
SET (@numDead , to , @numDead + 1)

If

STACKED (somewhere above , )

Then

ERASE (, and
SET (@numAlive , to , @numAlive - 1), and
SET (@numMigrated , to , @numMigrated + 1)

11. b.

ON (checkTerminate)

Check if the simulation should terminate because no more toads exist on the grid

Number of rules: 1

If

IS (@numAlive , = , 0)

Then

STOP-SIMULATION ()