Homework #4: Chapters 11, 12, 18, and 19

The following exercises are due at the beginning of class on April 25.

- 1. Look at the description of Shakey's world in the book. (pages 360-362). Describe Shakey's six actions in the STRIPS language. Assuming the initial state shown in Figure 11.15, give a total-order plan that Shakey could use to get Box2 into Room2. Represent all of the aspects of the initial state that are relevant to this plan.
- 2. Do exercise 11.1 from the book (p. 364). Make sure that your plan follows the principle of least commitment.
- 3. Look at Figure 12.1 (p. 373). Provide decompositions that correctly implement the Obtain Permit and Hire Builder steps. Assume that Obtain Permit has a precondition of owning land and the effect of having a permit. It involves getting a permit form, filling out the form and getting the form approved. Assume that Hire Builder has a precondition that you can pay and the effect of having a signed contract. It involves interviewing builders, choosing a builder and signing a contract. Show the effect of decomposing Obtain Permit and Hire Builder given the partial-order plan in Figure 12.3 (p. 375).
- 4. Draw a decision tree for the problem of deciding whether or not to drive forward upon reaching a road intersection. Include at least five tests (internal nodes) in your tree.
- 5. Do exercise 19.1 from the book (p. 596).