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# Function to read the maze from filename

def readMaze(filename):

   f = open(filename, "r")

   if f.mode == "r":

       walls = []      ## defines locations of list walls as (row, col)

       foods = []      ## defines locations of list foods as (row, col)

       pacmanPos = 0   ## define pacman position as tuple (row, col)

       y = 10

       while True:

           str = f.readline()      ## read one line from the file

           if str=="": break       ## stop loop if an empty (or end of file)
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string is reached.

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            x = 10

            for k in str:

                if k == '*':    ## star indicate a wall

                    walls.append((x, y))  # append (row, col) to walls list

                if k == '.':    ## period indicates a food

                    foods.append((x, y))    # append (row, col) to foods list

                if k == 'P':    ## letter P indicates player

                    pacmanPos = (x, y)  # set pacman position to (row, col)

                x += Problem.xStep

            y += Problem.yStep

        Problem.xMax = x            # save row in the problem static data class f
later use

        Problem.yMax = y            # save col in the problem static data class f
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        Problem.walls = walls    # save walls in the problem static data class for

later use

        return Problem(foods, pacmanPos)  # declare class Problem with foods and

pacman position

class Problem():

    walls = 0

    xMax = 0

    yMax = 0

    xStep = 40

    yStep = 40

    directions = {'u': (0, -yStep), 'd': (0, yStep), 'l': (-xStep, 0), 'r': (xSte

0)} # direction as dictionary
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   def __init__(self, foods, pacmanPos):

       self.foods = foods

       self.pacmanPos = pacmanPos

   def isGoal (self, currentPos):  ## goal is true when current position of pacm

reaches the food

       if currentPos == self.foods[0]: return True

       return False

   def startState (self):  ## start state is pacman position

       return self.pacmanPos

   def legalActions (self, currentPos):    ## return legal actions for the curre

position

       x, y = currentPos

       actions = []
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        for action in Problem.directions.keys(): ##  select an action: u, d, l, r

            dx, dy = Problem.directions[action]

            newPos  = (x + dx, y + dy)  # compute new position for that action

            x1, y1 = newPos

            # if new position is out of the maze boundaries, then skip that new

position

            if x1 < 10 or y1 > Problem.yMax: continue

            if y1 < 10 or y1 > Problem.yMax: continue

            # if the new position is in the walls list, then skip that new positi

            if newPos in Problem.walls: continue

            # save the action in the actions list.

            actions.append(action)

        return actions
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    # method to compute the next position after applying the action on the curren
position

    def successor (self, action, currentPos):

        dx, dy = Problem.directions[action]

        x, y = currentPos

        newPos = (x + dx, y + dy)

        return newPos
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