

**TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR Planning and Decision-making in Robotics CLASS**

Fall 2023				
Date	Day	Topic	HW out	HW due
28-Aug	Mon	Introduction; What is Planning?		
30-Aug	Wed	planning representations: explicit vs. implicit graphs, skeletonization, cell decomposition & lattice-based graphs		
4-Sep	Mon	LABOR DAY - NO CLASS		
6-Sep	Wed	search algorithms: A*, Multi-goal A*, Weighted A*, Backward A*	HW1	
11-Sep	Mon	search algorithms: Heuristic functions, Multi-Heuristic A*		
13-Sep	Wed	interleaving planning and execution: Anytime heuristic search, Incremental heuristic search		
18-Sep	Mon	interleaving planning and execution: Real-time heuristic Search		
20-Sep	Wed	case study: planning for autonomous driving		
25-Sep	Mon	planning representations: PRM for continuous spaces		HW1
27-Sep	Wed	planning representations/search algorithms: RRT, RRT-Connect, RRT*	HW2	
2-Oct	Mon	case study: planning for mobile manipulators and legged robots		
4-Oct	Wed	search algorithms: Markov Property, dependent vs. independent variables, Dominance		
9-Oct	Mon	case study: planning for coverage, mapping and surveillance tasks		
11-Oct	Wed	planning representations: state-space vs. symbolic representation for task planning		HW2
16-Oct	Mon	FALL BREAK - NO CLASS		
18-Oct	Wed	FALL BREAK - NO CLASS		
23-Oct	Mon	search algorithms: planning on symbolic representations	HW3	
25-Oct	Wed	planning under uncertainty: Minimax formulation, Minimax Backward A*		
30-Oct	Mon	planning under uncertainty: Markov Decision Processes, Value Iteration, RTDP		
1-Nov	Wed	final project proposal presentations		
6-Nov	Mon	planning under uncertainty: Markov Decision Processes, Value Iteration, RTDP (cont'd)		HW3
8-Nov	Wed	planning under uncertainty: Partially-Observable Markov Decision Processes		
13-Nov	Mon	planning under uncertainty: Partially-Observable Markov Decision Processes (cont'd)		
15-Nov	Wed	exam		
20-Nov	Mon	TBD		
22-Nov	Wed	THANKSGIVING - NO CLASS		
27-Nov	Mon	multi-robot planning		
29-Nov	Wed	multi-robot planning (cont'd)		
4-Dec	Mon	learning in planning		
6-Dec	Wed	final project presentations		