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# Artificial Intelligence & Natural Language Processing

## Properties of Environments in AI

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# Properties of Environments in AI

An environment in AI is defined based on several key properties that impact how an agent interacts with it:

## 1. Fully Observable vs. Partially Observable

**Fully Observable:** The agent has complete access to the environment's state at all times.

**Partially Observable:** The agent receives limited, noisy, or incomplete information about the environment.

## 2. Deterministic vs. Stochastic

**Deterministic:** The next state is fully determined by the current state and the agent's action.

**Stochastic:** The next state has uncertainty, meaning multiple outcomes are possible.



# Properties of Environments in AI

## 3.Episodic vs. Sequential

**Episodic:** Each action is independent, with no impact on future decisions.

**Sequential:** The outcome of one action affects future actions

## 4.Static vs. Dynamic

**Static:** The environment does not change while the agent is deciding.

**Dynamic:** The environment can change over time, even without the agent's intervention.



# Properties of Environments in AI

## 5. Discrete vs. Continuous

**Discrete:** The environment consists of a finite number of distinct states.

**Continuous:** The state and actions can have infinite possible values.

## 6. Single-Agent vs. Multi-Agent

**Single-Agent:** The agent operates independently in the environment.

**Multi-Agent:** Multiple agents interact, either cooperatively or competitively.

These properties help define the complexity and challenges an AI agent faces when operating in different environments.



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