Elevator Project Report Target-Based Incremental Approach

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Introduction

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Fig. 1. Snippet of encoding in elevator.lp

- Encoding utilizes target-based incremental approach
- Approach deemed faster over a pure combinatorical approach
- Encoding succeeds on all Yeti cases

Target Assignment

```
% initialize and create targets
targets(elevator(X),Y')
:- holds(at(elevator(X),Y),0), holds(request(deliver(X),Y'),0).
{targets(elevator(X),Y'): holds(at(elevator(X),_),0)}
:- holds(request(call(_),Y'),0),
not holds(request(deliver(_),Y'),0).
% ensure no double targets and all requests targetted
:- targets(elevator(X),Y), targets(elevator(X'),Y), X' != X,
holds(request(call(_),Y),0), not holds(request(deliver(_),Y),0).
:- holds(request(_,Y),0), not targets(_,Y).
```

Distribution Parameter Generation

Introduction

```
% calculate number of tasks per elevator
number(elevator(X),N) :- N = #sum{1,Y:targets(elevator(X),Y)},
holds(at(elevator(X),_),0).
% distribution parameter given multiple targets
param(elevator(X),M,N) :- holds(at(elevator(X),_),0),
M = \#\max\{Y-Y': \text{holds}(\text{at}(\text{elevator}(X), Y), 0),
targets(elevator(X),Y')},
N = \#\min\{Y-Y': holds(at(elevator(X), Y), 0),
targets(elevator(X),Y')}, L > 1, number(elevator(X),L).
```

 Parameters are useful in deciphering position of elevator wrt. corresponding targets Results

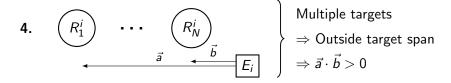
Target Distribution Cases I

1.
$$(R_1^i)$$
 Single targe $\Rightarrow \vec{a} \in \mathbb{R}^1$

2.
$$R_1^i$$
 ... R_N^i \Rightarrow Inside target span $\Rightarrow \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} < 0$

Target Distribution Cases II

3.
$$(R_1^i)$$
 ... (R_N^i) \Rightarrow On target span $\Rightarrow \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$



Case 1 (Single Target):

number(elevator(X),N).

```
target1(elevator(X),Y) :- targets(elevator(X),Y), N = 1,
number(elevator(X),N).
target2(elevator(X),Y) :- target1(elevator(X),Y), N = 1,
```

- End-Targets are defined to be the same for consistency
- Necessary measure to keep end-targets framework

End-Targets Assignment II

Case 2/3 (Inside/On Span):

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target1(elevator(X),Q) := holds(at(elevator(X),Y),0), targets(elevator(X),Q),
N = \#\min\{|M|; |K|\}, \text{ param(elevator(X),M,K), M*K <= 0, Q = Y+N,}
not target2(elevator(X), Q), L > 1, number(elevator(X),L),
#false:targets(elevator(X),Q'), Q'>Q.
target1(elevator(X),Q) :- holds(at(elevator(X),Y),0), targets(elevator(X),Q),
N = \#\min\{|M|; |K|\}, \text{ param(elevator(X),M,K), M*K <= 0, Q = Y-N,}
not target2(elevator(X), Q), L > 1, number(elevator(X),L),
#false:targets(elevator(X),Q'), Q'<Q.
target2(elevator(X),Q) :- holds(at(elevator(X),Y),0), targets(elevator(X),Q),
N = \#\max\{|M|; |K|\}, \text{ param(elevator(X),M,K), M*K <= 0, Q = Y+N,}
target1(elevator(X), Q''), Q''!= Q, L > 1, number(elevator(X),L),
#false:targets(elevator(X),Q'), Q'>Q.
target2(elevator(X),Q) :- holds(at(elevator(X),Y),0), targets(elevator(X),Q),
N = \#\max\{|M|; |K|\}, \text{ param(elevator(X),M,K), M*K <= 0, Q = Y-N,}
target1(elevator(X), Q''), Q''!= Q, L > 1, number(elevator(X),L),
#false:targets(elevator(X),Q'), Q'<Q.</pre>
```

End-Targets Assignment III

Case 4 (Outside Span):

```
target1(elevator(X),Q) :- holds(at(elevator(X),Y),0), targets(elevator(X),Q),
N = \#\min\{|M|; |K|\}, param(elevator(X), M, K), M*K > 0, Q = Y+N, L > 1,
number(elevator(X),L).
target1(elevator(X),Q) :- holds(at(elevator(X),Y),0), targets(elevator(X),Q),
N = \#\min\{|M|, |K|\}, \text{ param(elevator(X), M, K), M*K > 0, Q = Y-N, L > 1,}
number(elevator(X).L).
target2(elevator(X),Q) :- holds(at(elevator(X),Y),0), targets(elevator(X),Q),
N = \#\max\{|M|; |K|\}, param(elevator(X), M, K), M*K > 0, Q = Y+N,
target1(elevator(X), Q''), Q''!= Q, L > 1, number(elevator(X),L),
#false:targets(elevator(X),Q'), Q'>Q.
target2(elevator(X),Q) :- holds(at(elevator(X),Y),0), targets(elevator(X),Q),
N = \#\max\{|M|; |K|\}, param(elevator(X), M, K), M*K > 0, Q = Y-N,
target1(elevator(X), Q''), Q''!= Q, L > 1, number(elevator(X),L),
#false:targets(elevator(X),Q'), Q'<Q.</pre>
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Results

Move Calculation

Introduction

```
% calculate per-elevator moves
moves(elevator(X),N) :- N = #sum{|Y-Y'|;|Y'-Y''|},
holds(at(elevator(X),Y),0), target1(elevator(X),Y'),
target2(elevator(X),Y'').
% calculate cumulative moves
allmoves(N) :- N = #sum{M:moves(elevator(_),M)}.
```

- Deterministic (pre-iterative) approach to quantify moves
- Useful for optimization/minimization purposes

```
% moving to target1
do(elevator(X),move(V),t) :- holds(at(elevator(X),Y),t-1),
target1(elevator(X),Y'), holds(request(deliver(X),Y'),t), move(V),
|Y+V-Y'|<|Y-Y'|, not do(elevator(X), serve,t).
do(elevator(X),move(V),t) :- holds(at(elevator(X),Y),t-1),
target1(elevator(X),Y'), holds(request(call(_),Y'),t), move(V),
|Y+V-Y'|<|Y-Y'|, not do(elevator(X), serve,t).
% moving to target2
do(elevator(X),move(V),t) :- holds(at(elevator(X),Y),t-1),
target2(elevator(X),Y'), holds(request(deliver(X),Y'),t),
target1(elevator(X),Y''), move(V), |Y+V-Y'| < |Y-Y'|,
not holds(request(deliver(X),Y''),t), not holds(request(call(_),Y''),t),
not do(elevator(X), serve,t).
do(elevator(X),move(V),t) :- holds(at(elevator(X),Y),t-1),
target2(elevator(X),Y'), holds(request(call(_),Y'),t),
target1(elevator(X),Y''), move(V), |Y+V-Y'|<|Y-Y'|,</pre>
not holds(request(deliver(X),Y''),t), not holds(request(call(_),Y''),t),
not do(elevator(X), serve,t).
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Target Actions: Serving

```
% serving delivery request
do(elevator(X), serve,t) :- holds(request(deliver(X),Y),t-1),
holds(at(elevator(X),Y),t-1), targets(elevator(X),Y).
% serving call request
do(elevator(X),serve,t) :- holds(request(call(_),Y),t-1),
holds(at(elevator(X),Y),t-1), targets(elevator(X),Y).
% serving floor
serving(Y,t) :- do(elevator(X), serve,t),
holds(at(elevator(X),Y),t-1).
```

Target Actions: Transfer Positions/Requests

```
% transfer elevator positions
holds(at(elevator(X),Y+V),t) :- holds(at(elevator(X),Y),t-1),
do(elevator(X),move(V),t).
holds(at(elevator(X),Y),t) :- holds(at(elevator(X),Y),t-1),
do(elevator(X),serve,t).
holds(at(elevator(X),Y),t) :- holds(at(elevator(X),Y),t-1),
not do(elevator(X),_,t).
% transfer requests
holds(request(call(V),Y),t) :- holds(request(call(V),Y),t-1),
not serving(Y,t).
holds(request(deliver(X),Y),t) :- holds(request(deliver(X),Y),t-1),
not holds(at(elevator(X),Y),t-1).
```

Optimizations

```
% minimize deterministic cumulative moves #minimize{N:allmoves(N)}.
```

- Pre-iterative calculation of allmoves(N) makes minimization more efficient
- Reduction of target search-space in pre-solving phase
- Overall target assignment methodology more efficient than pure combinatorical approach

Results

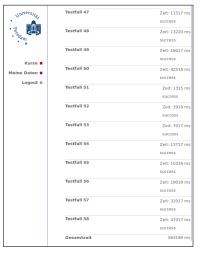


Fig. 2. Snippet of Yeti performance for encoding

- Encoding succeeds on all 58
 Yeti test-cases
- Total runtime $\approx 560s$
- Longest runtime on instance $31 \approx 85$ s
- This was due to a large search space, resulting in 2048 optimal solutions