

COUNTER-EXAMPLE BASED PLANNING

My algorithm continuously searches counter-examples until finding a plan that no counter-example exists.

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CONFORMANT PLANNING

Quiz: How To Reach The Goal In Figure 1?

- Walls: The robot remains in place when hits the wall.
- Swamp: The robot cannot leave the swamp (red cell).
- Goal: The destination robot must reach.
- Robot: No observation and initially at anywhere except for the swamp cell.

Answer: $\rightarrow^*4, \uparrow^*4, \rightarrow^*2, \downarrow^*2, \leftarrow^*2$

No matter where the initial robot's location is, this plan can always lead the robot to arrive at the destination (purple and blue examples in Figure 2).

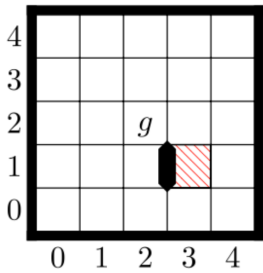


Figure 1

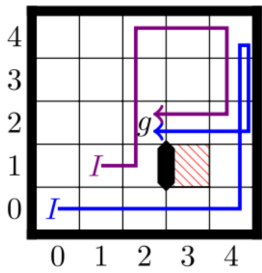


Figure 2

CPCES

Iteration 1	Iteration 2	Iteration 3	...	Iteration N
$B = \{\}$	$B = \{(0,2)\}$	$B = \{(0,2), (0,1)\}$...	$B = \{(0,2), (0,1), (2,1), \dots\}$
$\pi = \rightarrow$	$\pi = \leftarrow \rightarrow$	$\pi = \leftarrow \downarrow \uparrow \rightarrow$...	$\pi = \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \downarrow \downarrow \leftarrow \leftarrow$
$q = (0,2)$	$q = (0,1)$	$q = (2,1)$...	$q = \text{None}$

B: Counter-Example Set
 π : Candidate Plan
q: Counter-Example from Candidate Plan

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Algorithm 1: The conformant planner CPCES.
1: input: conformant planning problem  $P$ 
2: output: a conformant plan, or no plan
3:  $B := \{\}$ 
4: loop
5:    $\pi := \text{produce-candidate-plan}(P, B)$ 
6:   if there is no such  $\pi$  then
7:     return no plan
8:   end if
9:    $q := \text{generate-counter-example}(P, \pi)$ 
10:  if there is no such  $q$  then
11:    return  $\pi$ 
12:  end if
13:   $B := B \cup \{q\}$ 
14: end loop
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FAST DOWNWARD SYSTEM (FD)

Structure

Translation: From PDDL file to SAS+ file
Searching: Searching a plan from SAS+ file

Advantages

Many search engine options
Multi-Valued encoding (SAS+ file)

USING FAST DOWNWARD SYSTEM IN CPCES

Using FD Directly?

No! Early experiments have shown us that the translation from PDDL to SAS+ file is time consuming and leads to poor SAS+ representations.

My Idea

Translating each classical planning problem (P_i) separately to SAS+ (S_i), and merging them into one SAS+ file.

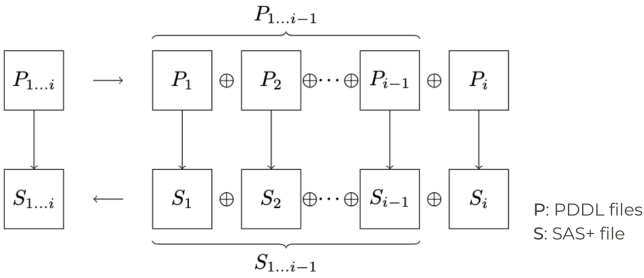
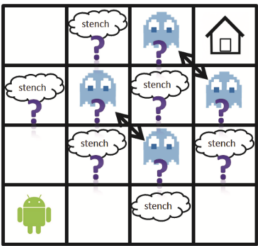


Figure 3

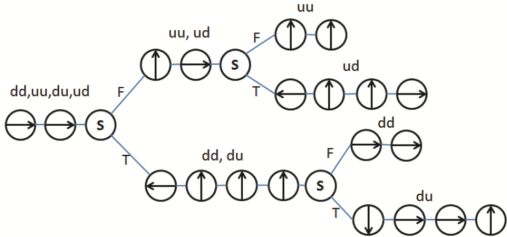
FUTURE WORKS

CONTINGENT PLANNING



The robot knows that each Wumpus is hiding in one of two possible locations, but must observe its stench, which carries to all adjacent locations, in order to deduce its whereabouts.

Komarnitsky, R., & Shani, G. (2016, March).



A plan tree, with arrows denoting movement actions, S for sensing a stench, and outgoing edges marked by T or F (stench was observed or not). Branches are associated with a belief — the set of possible states.

CPCES WEBSITE

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