Finding Parallel Regions with Temporal Planning

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Abstract

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Introduction.

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Temporal Plannign

According to (Haslum et al. 2019), actions in temporal planning have a duration. Therefore, the planner will try to find a schedule in which some actions can be executed in parallel.

There are different approaches that can be used to formalize temporal actions with PDDL. In this paper, I used :durative-actions. This action is represented in four sections, as listed below.

- :parameters: parameters needed to execute the action;
- : duration: time the action takes to run;
- : condition: conditions that need to be respected to apply the effects;
- :effect: effects that will be applied to the state;

The sections: condition and: effect are separated in three categories: at start, over all and at end. As described by (Haslum et al. 2019), these categories represent the conditions and effects used at each stage of the action. The at start statements are used when starting the action. The over all statements are used during the time the action is being executed. The at end statements are used at the end of the action.

Fast Downward

I used the Fast Downward planner to find best temporal plan. Originaly, the paper form (Helmert 2006) does not state that Fast Downward planner support temporal planning.

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