MULTI AGENT SYSTEM

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A multi-agent system (MAS), also known as a *self-organized system*, is a loosely linked network of intelligent agents (software, robots, or even humans) that collaborate to solve issues that are beyond the capacity or knowledge of any single problem solver.

"Cooperative Robotic Logistics and Planning" is one of the numerous industries where multi-agent systems have been integrated.

Amazon Robotics (Amazon Warehouse Robots) is a practical example of robotic logistics and planning. The packages are transported from storage containers to the docking area, where vehicles are loaded for distribution, using these bots.

IMPACTS OF THE AGENTS

An agent, often known as an intelligent agent (IA), is a decision-making entity that enables the implementation of artificial intelligence. The agent's ability to learn while executing tasks has given it the term of "Intelligent Agent" (*Intelligent Agents in Artificial Intelligence*, 2021). Agents employ sensors to sense their surroundings and have some autonomy, allowing them to use actuators to perform specific, predictable, and repeatable tasks for users or applications.

Amazon Warehouse Robots have made a big influence on delivery efficiency, assisting Amazon in distributing its massive sales volume (over 5 billion in 2017) (Early, 2022). These robots use a multi-agent system (MAS), which consists of autonomous agents that carry out operations and communicate with one another via messages, and a multi-vehicle system (MVS), which refers these multiagent systems with autonomous, robotic vehicles.

The agents in the robots' multi-agent systems coordinate activities such as picking up items from storage containers, moving to the docking area, engaging its own conveyor belt, and sliding the package off its back to achieve a system goal of transporting ordered items to the docking area for loading.

COMPARISON TO MULTI-AGENT SYSTEM IN HEALTHCARE

The coordination of agents and their actions to achieve a single aim is the general mentality driving both AI products/applications (Amazon Robotics and Healthcare applications – TeleCARE & MADIP). To deliver the ordered item from container to docking area, Amazon Warehouse Robot uses a combination of resource allocation, task planning, path planning, and motion planning. Healthcare applications contain a variety of goals, such as identifying anomalies and doing health monitoring, but they also use agents to execute specific tasks and collaborate to reach a larger purpose.

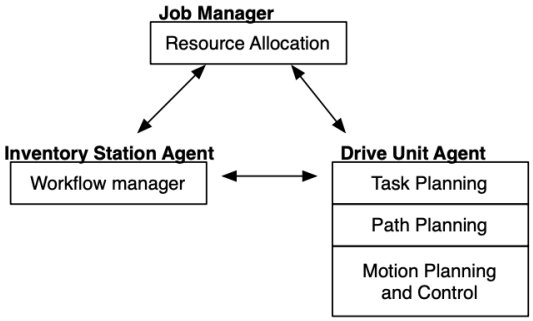

Figure 1: Multi-agent control system in Amazon Robotics

ROLE OF PREDICTIVE MODELS IN SOLUTIONS

Predictive modelling approaches and models used to forecast the activities of themselves or other agents are centralized in the current generation of autonomous agents. These predictive models produce predictions based on a variety of criteria, including but not limited to the modelled agent's previous actions, contextual information, and the outcomes of those acts.

Amazon Robotics uses ‘Amazon SageMaker’ to prepare, build, train, and deploy high-quality machine learning (ML) models. Picking and arranging a huge number of different items in Amazon warehouses and fulfillment centers is not viable to automate without machine learning. These robots are fed photos of fresh parts in order to successfully recognize them and place them in their proper places.

To maintain productivity, predictive models assist robots in learning and achieving dynamic interaction with obstacle avoidance.

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