Planning Problems



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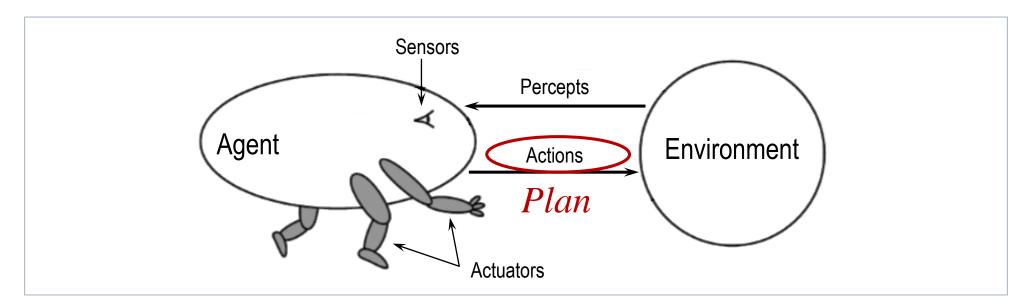
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What is Planning 什么是规划

□ We have defined AI as the study of rational action. Action is a critical part for an intelligent agent.

我们已经把人工智能定义为理性动作的研究。动作是智能体的一个关键部分。

□ Planning means devising a plan of action to achieve one's goals. 规划意味着制定一套行动计划来达到既定的目标。



What are Planning Problems 什么是规划问题

- □ A longer definition 较长的定义
 given the descriptions for a problem in the real world:
 给定现实世界中一个问题的描述:
 - the initial states, the desired goals, and the possible actions, 初始状态、预期目标、和可能的动作,
 - planning is to find a plan that is generating a sequence of actions that leads from any of the initial states to one of the goal states.
 - 规划是找到一个计划:它产生从任何初始状态到达一个目标状态的一系列动作。
- □ A shorter definition 较短的定义
 devising a plan of action to achieve one's goals.
 制定一个达到既定目标的行动计划。

What is Classical Planning 什么是经典规划

Classical planning has following features:

经典规划具有如下特征:

a unique known initial state ■ 唯一已知初始状态

can be taken only one at a time **国** 每次仅一个动作

a single agent ■ 単一智能体

Simplest planning known as Classical Planning

简单规划被称为经典规划

Planning Difficulties 规划的难度

Properties 特性	Questions 问题	
actions 动作	 deterministic or nondeterministic? 确定性还是不确定性 have a duration? 有一段持续时间 can take concurrently or only one at a time? 可并发执行还是串行 	
state variables 状态变量	discrete or continuous? 离散还是连续	
initial states 初始状态	• finite or arbitrarily many? 有限还是任意多	
objective 目标	 to reach a designated goal state? 要达到指定的目标状态 to maximize a reward function? 要最大化回报函数 	
agents 智能体	 only one or several? 仅一个还是多个 cooperative or selfish? 合作还是单干 	

Problem-solving Agent vs. Planning Agent 问题求解智能体与规划智能体

	Problem-solving agent 问题求解智能体	Planning agent 规划智能体
State (Initial / Goal) 状态(初始/目标)	Atomic representation 原子表示	Factored representation 因子表示 collection of variables 变量的集合
Action 动作	Instantiated actions 实例化动作	Actions schemas 动作模式 use Planning Domain Definition Language (PDDL) 使用规划领域定义语言PDDL
Heuristic Domain-specific heuristics		Domain-independent heuristics 领域无关启发法

About PDDL 关于PDDL

- □ PDDL (Planning Domain Definition Language) is an attempt to standardize Al planning languages. First developed in 1998.
 - PDDL(规划领域定义语言)是对AI规划语言标准化的一种尝试。于1998年首次开发。
- ☐ The latest version is PDDL 3.1 (2011), its BNF syntax definition can be found from the IPC-2014 homepage:

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https://helios.hud.ac.uk/scommv/IPC-14/software.html

The PDDL used in this course 本课程使用的PDDL

☐ It select a simple version, and alter its syntax to be consistent with the rest of the course.

选择了最简单的版本,并且修改了其语法,以便与课程的其它部分保持一致。

Three Components to Define a Planning Task 定义规划任务的三个要素

- □ State 状态
 - **represented as a conjunction of fluents** (fluents: a relation that varies from one to next). 表示为变数的合取(fluents: 从一个到另一个变化的关系)。 e.g., $At(Truck_1, Melbourne) \land At(Truck_2, Sydney)$.
- ☐ Actions 动作
 - described by a set of action schemas, implicitly define the functions. 用一组动作模式描述,隐式定义函数。 e.g., ACTION(s), RESULT(s, a).
- □ Goal _{目标}
 - **represented as a conjunction of literals** (literals: an elementary proposition). 表示为文字的合取(literals: 一个基本的命题)。 e.g., $At(p, SFO) \land Plane(p)$.

Example 1: Air cargo transport 航空货物运输

□ Problem: 问题

To load cargo, then fly, and unload it. 装货、然后飞行、再卸货。

- from *SFO* (San Francisco Airport) to *JFK* (New York John Fitzgerald Kennedy Airport). 从SFO(旧金山机场)到JFK(纽约约翰・菲茨杰拉德・肯尼迪机场)。
- ☐ Actions: 动作
 - **■** *Load*(.)
 - \blacksquare *Unload*(.)
 - \blacksquare Fly(.)
- □ Predicates: 谓词
 - In(c, p) -- cargo c is inside plane p, 货物c在飞机p内,
 - At(x, a) -- object x (either plane or cargo) is at airport a. 物体x (飞机或货物) 在机场a.

Example 1: Air cargo transport 航空货物运输

```
Init(At(C_1, SFO) \land At(C_2, JFK) \land At(P_1, SFO) \land At(P_2, JFK) \land Cargo(C_1) \land
        Cargo(C_2) \land Plane(P_1) \land Plane(P_2) \land Airport(JFK) \land Airport(SFO)
Goal(At(C_1, JFK) \land At(C_2, SFO))
Action(Load(c, p, a),
        PRECOND: At(c, a) \land At(p, a) \land Cargo(c) \land Plane(p) \land Airport(a)
        EFFECT: \neg At(c, a) \land In(c, p)
Action(Unload(c, p, a),
        PRECOND: In(c, p) \land At(p, a) \land Cargo(c) \land Plane(p) \land Airport(a)
        EFFECT: At(c, a) \land \neg In(c, p)
Action(Fly(p, from, to),
        PRECOND: At(p, from) \land Plane(p) \land Airport(from) \land Airport(to)
        EFFECT: \neg At(p, from) \land At(p, to)
```

A PDDL description for the air cargo transportation planning problem

针对航空货物运输规划问题的PDDL描述

Example 1: Air cargo transport 航空货物运输

□ Solution 解答

 $[Load(C_1, P_1, SFO), Fly(P_1, SFO, JFK), Unload(C_1, P_1, JFK), Load(C_2, P_2, JFK), Fly(P_2, JFK, SFO), Unload(C_2, P_2, SFO)]$

☐ Spurious action 谬误动作

 $Fly(P_1, JFK, JFK)$

□ Contradictory effect 矛盾作用

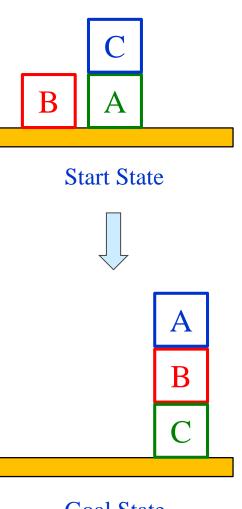
 $At(P_1, JFK) \land \neg At(P_1, JFK)$

Example 2: The blocks world 积木世界

- □ Problem: 问题
 - three blocks sitting on a table, the goal is to get block A on B, and block B on C.

桌子上放着三块儿积木,目标是使积木A放在B、并且B放在C上。

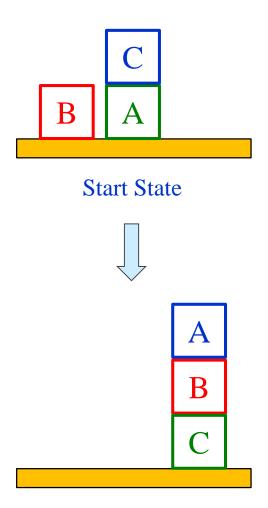
- ☐ Actions: 动作
 - *Move*(.), *MoveToTable*(.)
- ☐ Predicates: 谓词
 - On(b, x) -- block b is on x (either another block or table) 积木b在x上(其它积木或桌子)



Goal State

Example 2: The blocks world 积木世界

```
Init(On(A, Table) \land On(B, Table) \land On(C, A)
         \land Block(A) \land Block(B) \land Block(C) \land Clear(B) \land Clear(C)
Goal(On(A, B) \land On(B, C))
Action(Move(b, x, y),
         PRECOND: On(b, x) \land Clear(b) \land Clear(y) \land
                        Block(b) \land Block(y) \land
                        (b \neq x) \land (b \neq y) \land (x \neq y),
         EFFECT: On(b, y) \land Clear(x) \land \neg On(b, x) \land \neg Clear(y)
Action(MoveToTable(b, x),
         PRECOND: On(b, x) \land Clear(b) \land Block(b) \land (b \neq x),
         EFFECT: On(b, Table) \land Clear(x) \land \neg On(b, x)
```



Goal State

A PDDL description for the blocks world problem 针对积木世界问题的PDDL描述

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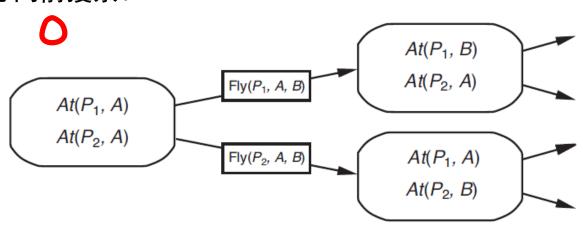
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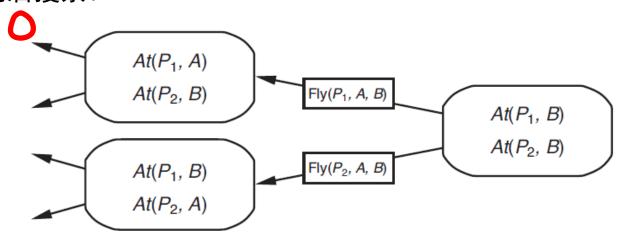
Two approaches to searching for a plan 搜索计划的两种方式

- □ 1) Forward state-space search 前向状态空间搜索
 - starting in the initial state,从初始状态开始,
 - using the problem's actions, 运用该问题的动作,
 - search forward for a member of the goal states. 朝着一个目标状态向前搜索。



Two approaches to searching for a plan 搜索计划的两种方式

- □ 2) Backward relevant-states search 后向状态空间搜索
 - starting at the set of states representing the goal, 从表示该目标的状态集开始。
 - using the inverse of the actions, 运用反向的动作,
 - search backward for the initial state. 朝着初始状态向后搜索。



Heuristics for planning 规划的启发法

- □ Think of a search problem as a graph 将搜索问题视为一个图
 - where the nodes are states and the edges are actions, to find a path connecting the initial state to a goal state.
 - 其中节点表示状态、边为动作,寻找一条连接初始状态至某个目标状态的路径。
- ☐ Two ways to make this problem easier 该问题简化的两种方式
 - adding edges 增加边
 add more edges to the graph, making it easier to find a path.
 在图上增加更多的边,使之容易找到一条路径。
 - state abstraction 状态抽象 group multiple nodes together, form an abstraction of the state space that has fewer states, thus is easier to search.
 - 将多个节点组织在一起,形成具有较少状态的一个状态空间抽象,从而容易搜索。

Two heuristics by adding edges to the graph 图中添加边的两种启发法

- □ 1) Ignore-preconditions heuristic 忽略前提启发法
 - Drop all preconditions from actions. 放弃动作中所有的前提条件。
 - Every action becomes applicable in every state, and any single goal fluent can be achieved in one step. 每个动作变成可作用于每个状态,并且任一目标变数可以用一个步骤实现。

Example: 8-puzzle as a planning problem 8数码难题作为规划问题

```
Action(Slide(t, s_1, s_2),

PRECOND: On(t, s_1) \land Tile(t) \land Blank(s_2) \land Adjacent (s_1, s_2)

EFFECT: On(t, s_2) \land Blank(s_1) \land ¬On(t, s_1) \land ¬Blank(s_2))
```

Removing the two preconditions, any tile can move in one action to any space, and get the number-of-misplaced-tiles heuristic. 去掉两个前提条件后,任何棋子可以用一个动作移动到任意空间,从而得到错放棋子个数的启发法。

Two heuristics by adding edges to the graph 图中添加边的两种启发法

- □ 2) Ignore-delete-lists heuristic 忽略删除表启发法
 - Remove the delete lists from all actions, 从所有动作中移除删除表,
 - i.e., removing all negative literals from effects. 即,从作用中删除所有的否定文字。
 - That makes it possible to make monotonic progress towards goal: 这样就使其可以朝向目标单调进展:
 - no action will ever undo progress made by another action.

任何动作都不会取消另一个动作的进展。

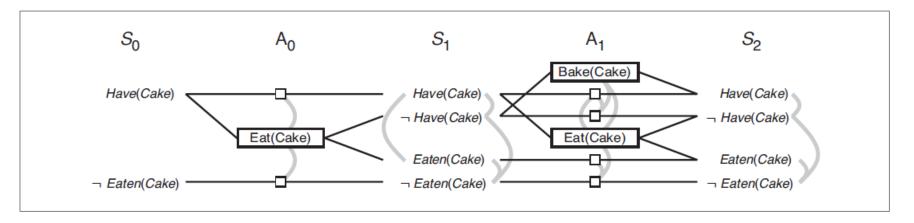
What is a planning graph 什么是规划图

- □ A directed graph organized into levels: 组成层次的有向图:
 - **I** first, a level S_0 for initial state, consisting of nodes representing each fluent; 首先,初始状态的层次 S_0 ,包含 表示每个变数的节点;
 - then, a level A_0 consisting of nodes for each action may be applicable in S_0 ; 然后,层次 A_0 ,包含可能适用于 S_0 的每个动作的节点;
 - then, alternating levels S_i followed by A_i ; 然后,交替进入层次 S_i ,接着是 A_i ;
 - until we reach a termination condition. 直到到达一个结束条件。
- Work only for propositional planning problems 仅适用于命题规划问题
 - ones with no variables.无变量项。

Example 1: Have cake and eat cake too 有蛋糕和吃蛋糕

The "have cake and eat cake too" problem.

"有蛋糕和吃蛋糕"问题



The "have cake and eat cake too" planning graph.

"有蛋糕和吃蛋糕"规划图

GRAPH-PLAN algorithm GRAPH-PLAN算法

```
function GRAPH-PLAN(problem) returns solution or failure graph \leftarrow \text{INITIAL-PLAN-GRAPH} (problem) goals \leftarrow \text{Conjuncts}(problem.\text{GOAL}) nogoods \leftarrow \text{an empty hash table} for tl = 0 to ∞ do if goals all non-mutex in S_t of graph then solution \leftarrow \text{Extract-Solution}(graph, goals, \text{NumLevels}(graph), nogoods) if solution \neq failure then return solution if graph and nogoods have both leveled off then return failure graph \leftarrow \text{Expand-Graph}(graph, problem)
```

It calls Expand-Graph to add a level, until either a solution is found by Extract-Solution, or no solution is possible.

调用EXPAND-GRAPH来增加一层,直到通过调用EXTRACT-SOLUTION找到一个解,或者没有可能存在的解。

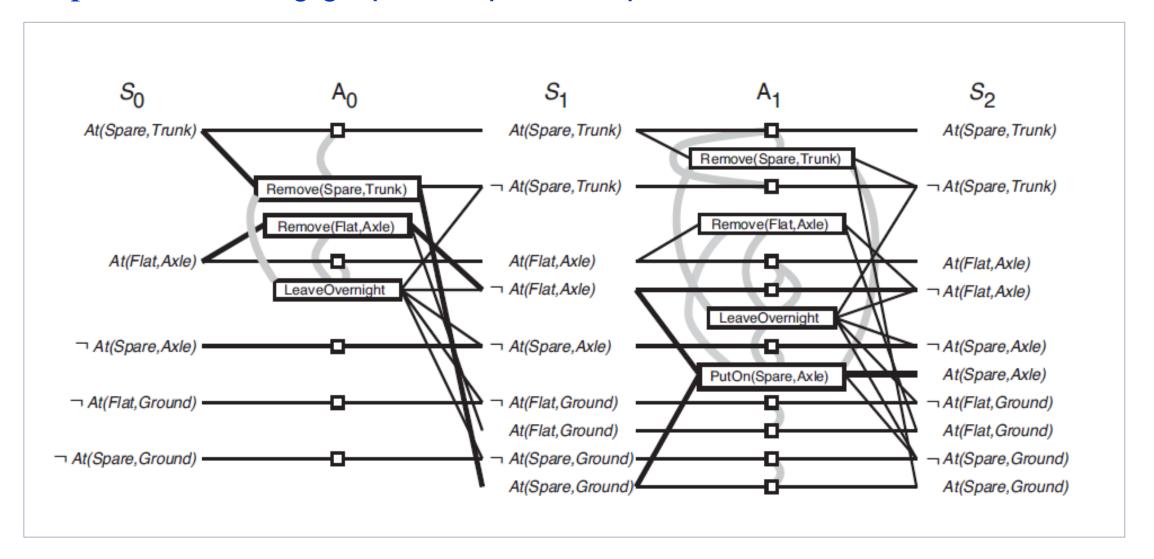
Example 2: Spare tire problem 备用轮胎问题

```
Init(Tire(Flat) \land Tire(Spare) \land At(Flat, Axle) \land At(Spare, Trunk))
Goal(At(Spare, Axle))
Action(Remove(obj, loc),
  PRECOND: At(obj, loc)
   EFFECT: \neg At(obj, loc) \land At(obj, Ground)
Action(PutOn(t, Axle),
  PRECOND: Tire(t) \land At(t, Ground) \land \neg At(Flat, Axle)
   EFFECT: \neg At(t, Ground) \land At(t, Axle)
Action(LeaveOvernight,
   PRECOND:
  EFFECT: \neg At(Spare, Ground) \land \neg At(Spare, Axle) \land \neg At(Spare, Trunk) \land
              \neg At(Flat, Ground) \land \neg At(Flat, Axle) \land \neg At(Flat, Trunk))
```

The initial state has a flat tire on the axle and a good spare tire in the trunk, and the goal is to have the spare tire properly mounted onto the car's axle.

初始状态是车轴上有一个瘪的轮胎并且后备箱里有一个好的备胎,而目标是将这个备胎正确地装在车轴上。

Example 2: Planning graph for spare tire problem 备用轮胎问题的规划图



Other Approaches of Classical Planning 其它经典规划方法

☐ Four other influential approaches:

其它四种有影响力的方法:

- 1) planning as Boolean satisfiability,
 化作布尔可满足性的规划
- 2) planning as first-order logical deduction, 化作一阶逻辑推理的规划
- 3) planning as constraint satisfaction,
 化作约束满足的规划
- 4) planning as plan refinement.化作规划精进的规划

- 1) Planning as Boolean satisfiability 化作布尔可满足性的规划
- □ Boolean Satisfiability (SAT) 布尔可满足性 (SAT)

 It is the problem of determining if there exists an interpretation that satisfies a given Boolean formula.
 - 这是确定是否存在满足给定布尔表达式的解释的问题。
 - Satisfiable formula 可满足表达式 if the variables of a given Boolean formula can be consistently replaced by the values TRUE or FALSE which make the formula evaluates to TRUE. 如果给定布尔表达式的变量可一直被TRUE和FALSE值替换,使得表达式的结果为TRUE。
 - Unsatisfiable formula 不可满足表达式 if no such assignment exists, the function expressed by the formula is identically FALSE for all possible variable assignments.
 - 如果没有这样的赋值存在,即对所有可能的变量赋值,该布尔表达式的结果始终FALSE。

Example: Planning as Boolean satisfiability 化作布尔可满足性的规划

□ Satisfiable formula 可满足表达式 the formula "*a* AND NOT *b*" is satisfiable, because one can find values 表达式 "*a* AND NOT *b*" 是可满足的,因为人们可以找到值

a = TRUE, and b = FALSE

which make "a AND NOT b" to be TRUE. 使得表达式 "a AND NOT b"为TRUE。

□ Unsatisfiable formula 不可满足表达式 the formula "*a* AND NOT *a*" is unsatisfiable. 表达式 "*a* AND NOT *b*" 是不可满足的。

- 2) Planning as first-order logical deduction 化作一阶逻辑推理的规划
- □ PDDL is difficult to express some planning problems: PDDL难以表达某些规划问题:
 - e.g. can't express the goal: "move all the cargo from A to B regardless of how many pieces of cargo there are".

例如无法表示如下目标,"把所有的货物从A移到B,不管有多少件货物"。

- □ Propositional logic also has limitations for some planning problems:
 命题逻辑对某些规划问题也有局限性:
 - e.g. no way to say: "the agent would be facing south at time 2 if it executed a right turn at time 1; otherwise it would be facing east."

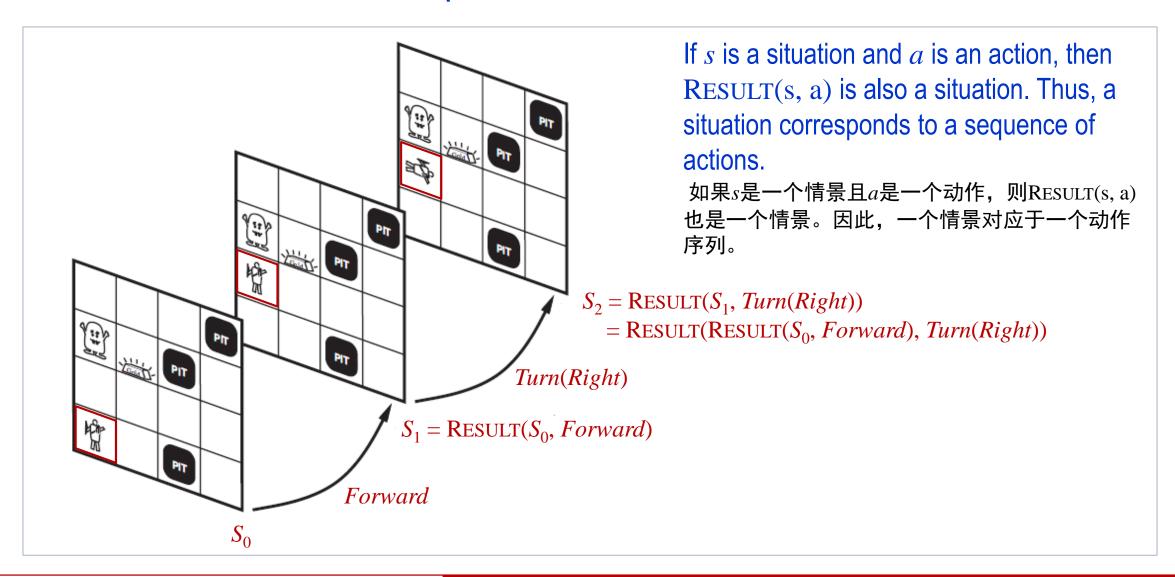
例如无法表达: "智能体若在时间1执行了一个右转则将在时间2时朝南;否则将朝东。

- ☐ First-order logic lets us get around those limitations.
 - 一阶逻辑则让我们摆脱这些局限性。

Situation calculus in first-order logic 一阶逻辑中的情景演算

- □ It is a logic formalism designed for representing and reasoning about dynamical domains. Its main elements are actions, fluents and situations. 是设计用于动态域的表示和推理的一种逻辑形式论。其主要元素是动作、变数和情景。
- Situation calculus in first-order logic: 一阶逻辑中的情景演算:
 - Initial state is called a *situation*. A solution is a situation that satisfies the goal. 初始状态称为一个情景。一个解是满足目标的动作序列。
 - A function or relation that can vary from one situation to the next is a *fluent*. 可将一个情景转变到下一个的函数或关系是变数。
 - Each action's preconditions are described with a possibility axiom.
 每个动作的前提用一个可能性公理来描述。
 - Each fluent is described with a successor-state axiom. 每个变数用一个后记状态公理来描述。
 - Need unique action axioms so that the agent can deduce that. 需要唯一动作公理以便智能体能够对其进行推理。

Situations as actions in Wumpus world 魔兽世界中情景为动作



3) Planning as constraint satisfaction 化作约束满足的规划

- □ We have seen 我们已经知道
 - Constraint satisfaction has a lot in common with Boolean satisfiability. 约束满足与布尔可满足性有许多共性,
 - CSP (constraint satisfaction problem) techniques are effective for scheduling problems.

CSP(约束满足问题)技术对调度问题很有效。

- □ So we can 因此我们可以
 - encode a bounded planning problem as a CSP, i.e., the problem of finding a plan of length k;
 - 将有界规划问题进行编码为CSP,例如,寻找一个长度为k的规划的问题;
 - also encode a planning graph into a CSP.还可以将规划图编码为CSP。

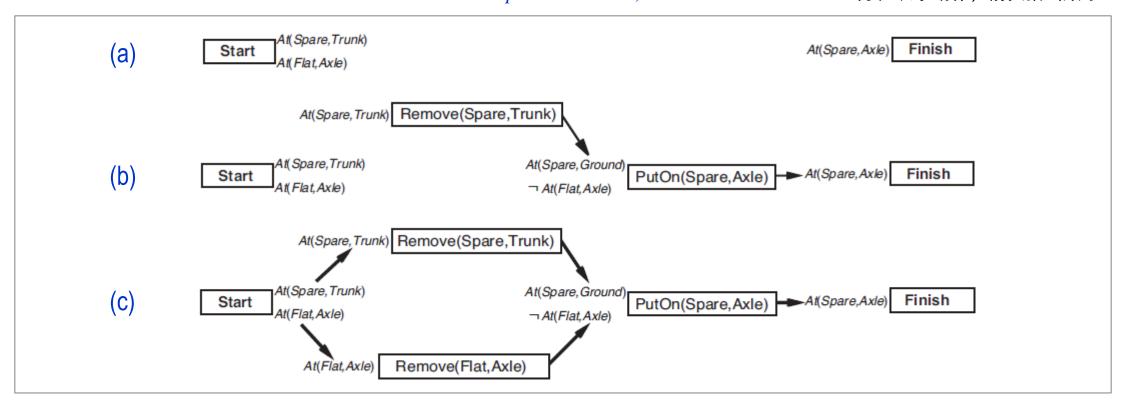
4) Planning as plan refinement 化作规划精进的规划

- Totally ordered plan 全序规划
 - The totally ordered plan is constructed by all the approaches we have seen so far, consisting of a strictly linear sequence of actions.

 全序规划是由迄今为止我们学到的所有方法所构建的,由严格的线性动作序列组成。
 - This representation ignores the fact that many sub-problems are independent. 这种表示忽视了许多子问题是独立的这个事实。
- □ Partially ordered plan 偏序规划
 - An alternative is to represent plans as *partially ordered* structures. 替代方式是将规划表示为偏序结构。
 - This representation is a set of actions and a set of constraints of the form $Before(a_i, a_j)$, saying that one action occurs before another. 这种表示是一组动作和一组形式为 $Before(a_i, a_j)$ 的约束,表示一个动作在另一个之前发生。

Example: spare tire problem 备用轮胎问题

Boxes represent actions, arrows indicate orders. 方框表示动作,箭头指出顺序



- (a) the tire problem expressed as an empty plan. 将轮胎问题表示为一个空的规划
- (b) an incomplete partially ordered plan for the tire problem. 轮胎问题的一个不完全偏序规划
- (c) a complete partially-ordered solution. 一个完整的偏序解决方案

Thank you for your affeation!



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Planning and Scheduling 规划与调度

- ☐ The previous chapter introduced the most basic concepts, representations, and algorithms for planning.
 - 上一章我们介绍了规划最基本的概念、表示、以及算法。
- □ The planning and scheduling in the real world are more complex, e.g., 现实世界中的规划和调度更为复杂,例如
 - spacecraft, factories, and military campaigns. 航天器、工厂、以及军事行动。
- □ They should extend both 它们需要扩展
 - the representation language, and 表示语言,以及
 - the way the planner interacts with the environment. 规划者与外部环境交互的方式。

Classical Planning and Its Limitation 经典规划及其局限性

☐ Classical planning can represent:

经典规划可以表示:

- what to do, 做什么
- in what order. 按什么顺序
- ☐ Classical planning cannot represent:

经典规划无法表示:

- how long an action takes,
 动作持续多长时间
- when it occurs.什么时候发生

Plan First and Schedule Later 先规划后调度

☐ Divide problem into planning phase and scheduling phase.

将问题分为规划阶段和调度阶段

- Planning phase 规划阶段
 - > select actions with some ordering constraints, 选择具有某种有序约束的动作,
 - ➤ to meet the goals of the problem. 去满足问题的目标。
- Scheduling phase 调度阶段
 - add temporal information to the plan, 在规划中增加时间信息,
 - ➤ to meet resource and deadline constraints. 去满足资源和期限的约束。

Representing Temporal and Resource Constraints 表征时间和资源约束

- □ A scheduling problem, consists of a set of jobs, each of which consists a collection of actions with ordering constraints.
 - 调度问题包含一系列作业,每个作业包含一组具有顺序约束的动作。
- □ Each action has a duration and a set of resource constraints. 每个动作有一段持续时间和一组资源约束。
- □ Each resource constraint specifies: type, number, consumable or reusable. 每个资源约束指定:类型、数量、可消费或可重用。
- □ Actions can produce resources, including manufacturing, growing, and resupply. 动作可以产生资源,包括制造、增产、以及供给动作。
- ☐ A solution must specify the start times for each action, and must satisfy all the temporal ordering constraints and resource constraints.
 - 解决方案需要对每个动作指定起始时间,并且要满足所有的时间顺序约束和资源约束。

Example: A job-shop scheduling 车间作业调度

```
A \prec B ---- action A must precede B
Jobs(\{AddEngine1 \prec AddWheels1 \prec Inspect1\},
                                                                           动作A必须领先于B
     \{AddEngine2 \prec AddWheels2 \prec Inspect2\}
Resources(EngineHoists(1), WheelStations(1), Inspectors(2), LugNuts(500))
Action(AddEngine1, DURATION: 30, USE: EngineHoists(1))
Action(AddEngine2, DURATION: 60, USE: EngineHoists(1))
Action(AddWheels1, DURATION: 30,
      CONSUME: LugNuts(20), USE: WheelStations(1))
Action(AddWheels2, DURATION: 15,
      CONSUME: LugNuts(20), USE: WheelStations(1))
Action(Inspect<sub>i</sub>, DURATION: 10, USE: Inspectors(1))
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A job-shop scheduling for assembling two cars

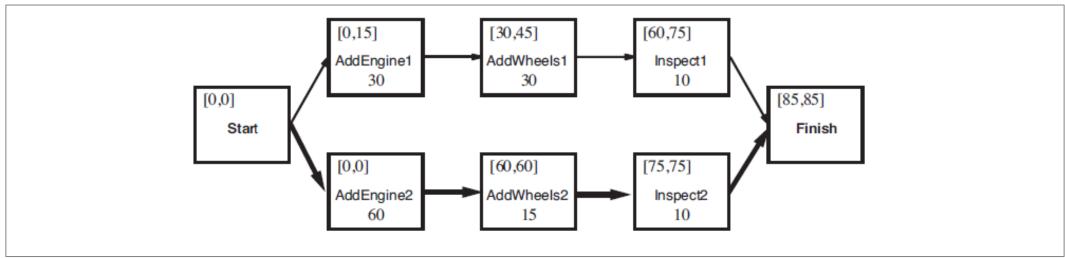
组装两辆汽车的车间作业调度

Solving Scheduling Problems 求解调度问题

☐ To minimize plan duration, must find the earliest start times for all the actions consistent with the ordering constraints.

要使规划持续时间最短,必须找到与排序约束一致的所有动作的最早开始时间。

□ To view these ordering constraints as a directed graph. 将这些排序约束视为一个有向图。



A directed graph of temporal constraints for job-shop scheduling problem

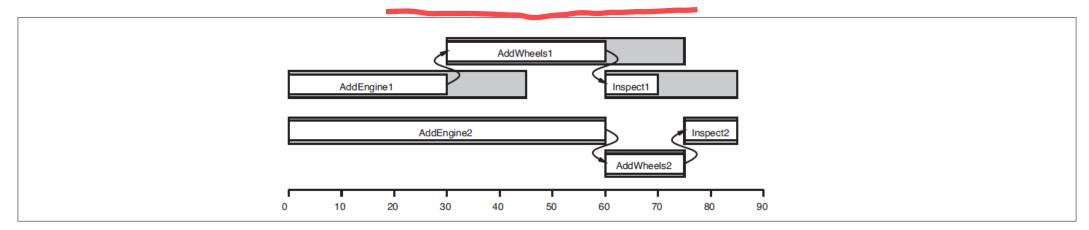
一个车间调度问题的时间约束有向图

Solving Scheduling Problems 求解调度问题

☐ Can apply the critical path method (CPM) to this graph to determine the possible start and end times of each action.

可以将关键路径法 (CPM) 用于该图,来确定每个动作可能的开始与结束时间。

- □ A path through a graph representing a partial-order plan is a linearly ordered sequence of actions.
 - 一个表示偏序计划的图的路径是一个线性排序的动作序列。



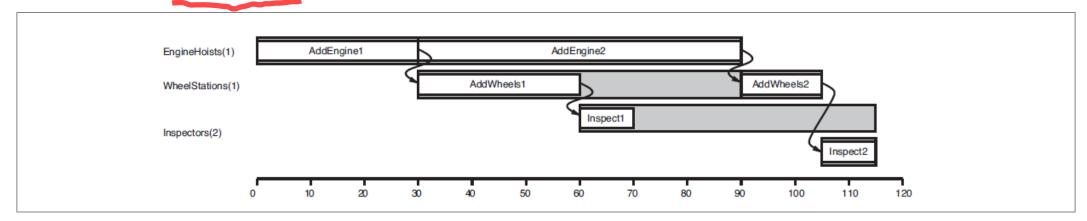
A timeline of temporal constraints for job-shop scheduling problem

一个车间作业调度问题的时间约束的时间表

Solving Scheduling Problems 求解调度问题

☐ If we introduce resource constraints, the resulting constraints on start and end times become more complicated.

如果我们引入资源约束, 所导致的开始和结束时间的约束变得更加复杂。



A timeline of resource constraints for job-shop scheduling problem 一个车间作业调度问题的资源约束的时间表

□ The left-hand margin lists the three reusable resources, and actions are shown aligned horizontally with the resources they use.

左边列出了三个可重用资源,并且,动作与它们所使用的资源水平对齐显示。

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Classical planning vs. Hierarchical planning 经典规划和分层规划

- □ Classical planning 经典规划
 - feature: a fixed set of actions.

特征:一组固定的动作

problem: a state-of-the-art algorithms can generate solutions containing thousands of actions.

问题: 最新式的算法可以生成包含数千个动作的解。

- □ Hierarchical planning 分层规划
 - feature: decompose high-level, abstract tasks into low-level, concrete tasks. 特征:将高层、抽象的任务分解为低层、具象的任务
 - benefit: at each level of the hierarchy, a computational task is reduced to a small number of activities, so the computational cost is small.

益处:在层次结构的每一级,计算任务被缩减为少量活动,因此计算成本也减少。

Primitive action and High-level action 基本动作和高层动作

- □ Primitive action 基本动作
 - Means the actions in classical planning, with standard precondition effect schemas.
 - 指的是经典规划中的动作,具有经典的前提-效用模式。
 - Has no refinements. 没有提炼过程。
- □ High-level action (HLA) 高级动作 (HLA)
 - Key additional concept for hierarchical task networks (HTN) planning. 层次任务网络 (HTN) 规划中的重要概念。
 - Each HLA has one or more possible refinements, each of which may be an HLA, or a primitive action.
 - 每个HLA有一个或多个可能的提炼,每个动作可以是一个HLA、或一个基本动作。

Example: Refinement 提炼

□ The action is "Go to San Francisco airport", represented formally as: 该动作是"去旧金山机场",形式化表示为:

Go(Home, SFO).

■ May have two possible refinements: 1) drive a car to get to the airport, or 2) take a taxi to get to the airport.

可以有两种可能的提炼: 1) 开车去机场, 或 2) 打车去机场。

Refinement(Go(Home, SFO),

STEPS: [Drive(Home, SFOLongTermParking), Shuttle(SFOLongTermParking, SFO)])

Refinement(Go(Home, SFO),

STEPS: [Taxi(Home, SFO)])

What is multi-agent planning 什么是多智能体规划

- □ So far, we have assumed that only one agent is doing the planning.
 迄今为止,我们假设仅有一个智能体在做计划。
- ☐ When there are multiple agents in the environment, each agent faces a multi-agent planning problem in which it tries to achieve its own goals with the help or hindrance of others.

当环境中有多个智能体时,每个面临多智能体规划问题,试图通过其他智能体的帮助或阻碍达到自己的目标。

- □ This planning involves coordinating resources and activities of multiple agents. 这种多智能体规划涉及多个智能体之间协调资源和活动。
- ☐ The topic also involves how agents can do this in real time while executing plans (distributed continual planning).

该主题也涉及到多个智能体在执行计划(分布式连续规划)时如何能够实时动作。

Single-agent vs. Multi-agent problem 单智能体与多智能体问题

- □ Single-agent problem 单智能体问题
 - Multi-effector 多效用器 an agent with multiple effectors that can operate concurrently, e.g., a human who can type and speak at the same time. 一个智能体有多个可以并发运行的效用器。例如,一个人可以同时一边打字一边说话。
 - Multi-body 多躯体
 effectors are physically decoupled into detached units, but act as a single body,
 e.g., a fleet of delivery robots in a factory.
 - 效应器物理分解为独立的单元,但是作为一个躯体动作。例如,工厂里的传送机器人机群。
- □ Multi-agent problem 多智能体问题
 - multiple agents coordinate the resources and actions. 多智能体之间协调资源与动作。

Characteristics of multi-agent 多智能体的特性

- □ Autonomy: 自主性 the agents are at least partially independent, self-aware, autonomous. 这些智能体至少是部分独立、自我意识的、自主的。
- □ Local views: 局部视野 no agent has a full global view of the system, or the system is too complex for an agent to make practical use of such knowledge.

没有智能体对系统具有全局视野,或者系统太复杂,一个智能体无法实际使用这些知识。

□ Decentralization: 分散化 no designated controlling agent, for each agent may need to include communicative actions with other bodies.

不指定控制智能体,每个智能体可能需要包含与其它躯体进行沟通的动作。

■ e.g., multiple reconnaissance robots. 例如: 多机器人侦查。

Issues in Multi-agent Planning 多机器人规划中的问题

- □ The clearest case of a multi-agent problem is when the agents have different goals.
 多智能体问题最明显的案例是这些智能体具有不同目标时。
- □ The issues in multi-agent planning can be divided roughly into two sets: 多智能体规划中的问题可以大致分为两类:
 - 1) involving issues of representing and planning for multiple simultaneous actions.

多同步动作的表示与规划所涉及的问题。

- ➤ these occur in all settings from multi-effector to multi-agent planning. 这些问题从多效应器到多智能体规划的所有状况下都会发生。
- 2) involving issues of cooperation, coordination, and competition arising in true multi-agent settings.

真正的多智能体环境中所发生的合作、协调和竞争的问题。

- 1) Planning with multiple simultaneous actions 具有多同步动作的规划
- □ Actor 行动者
 - a generic term to cover effectors, bodies, and agents.
 - 一个涵盖效用器、躯体和智能体的通用术语。
- □ Multi-actor 多行动者
 - a generic term to treat multi-effector, multi-body, and multi-agent.
 - 一个涉猎多效用器、多躯体、以及多智能体的通用术语。
- Multiple simultaneous actions 多同步动作
 - for multi-actor, to work out how to define:
 - 对于多行动者,要解决如何定义:
 - transition models, correct plans, and efficient planning algorithms. 迁移模型、正确的规划、以及有效的规划算法。

Example: Doubles tennis problem 双打网球问题

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Actors(A, B)

Init(At(A, LeftBaseline) \land At(B, RightNet) \land
Approaching(Ball, RightBaseline)) \land Partner(A, B) \land Partner(B, A)

Goal(Returned(Ball) \land (At(a, RightNet) \lor At(a, LeftNet))

Action(Hit(actor, Ball),
PRECOND: Approaching(Ball, loc) \land At(actor, loc)
EFFECT: Returned(Ball))

Action(Go(actor, to),
PRECOND: At(actor, loc) \land to \neq loc,
EFFECT: At(actor, to) \land \negAt(actor, loc))
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- ightharpoonup Two actors A and B are playing together. 两个行动者A和B—起打球。
- ➤ They can be in one of four locations: 他们可以位于四个位置中的一个: *LeftBaseline*, *RightBaseline*, *LeftNet*, and *RightNet*.
- ➤ The ball can be returned only if a player is in the right place. 只有当球手位于正确的地方时才可以回球。
- Each action must include the actor as an argument. 每个动作必须包含该行动者作为参数。



2) Planning with multiple agents 具有多智能体的规划

Cooperation and coordination are the feature of multiple agents planning. 合作与协调是多智能体规划的特征。

□ Convention 协定

A convention is any constraint on the selection of joint plans. It is an option to adopt a convention before engaging in joint activity. 协定是选择联合计划时的约束。在参与联合行动之前,通过一项协定是一个选项。

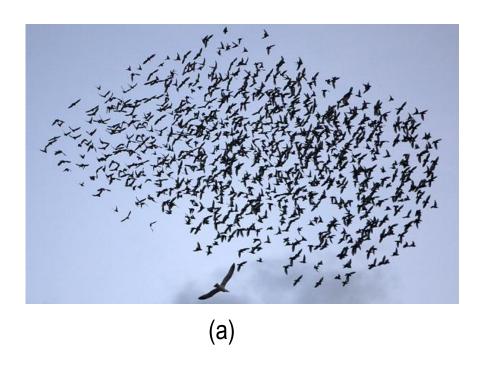
□ Communication 通信

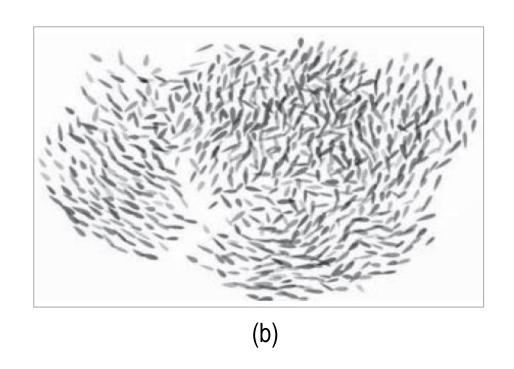
Agents use it to achieve common knowledge of a feasible joint plan. 智能体用它来获得可行的联合计划的共同知识。

□ Plan recognition 规划认可

It is the approach to coordination works to determine a joint plan unambiguously. 是进行协调工作的方法,用来明确地决定一个联合计划。

Example: Cooperative behavior in flock of birds 鸟群中的合作行为





- (a) An actual flock of birds. 一个实际的鸟群。
- (b) A simulated flock of birds using Reynold's boids model. 用Reynold的boids模型模拟的鸟群。

Particle Swarm Optimization 粒子群优化

Reynold's Boids Model 雷诺的Boids模型

- □ Boids is an program, developed by Craig Reynolds in 1986.

 Boids是一个程序,由克雷格·雷诺于1986年研发。
- □ Boids simulates the flocking behavior of birds. The rules in Boids are as follows:

 Boids仿真鸟群的群体行为。Boids中的规则如下:

Rule	Score	Behavior
规则	成绩	行为
Cohesion	a positive one	getting closer to the average position of the neighbors
聚集	正值	接近相邻鸟的平均位置
Separation	a negative one	getting too close to any one neighbor
分离	负值	过于接近任一个相邻的鸟
Alignment	a positive one	getting closer to the average heading of the neighbors
对齐	正值	接近相邻鸟的平均航向

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Decision-theoretic Planning



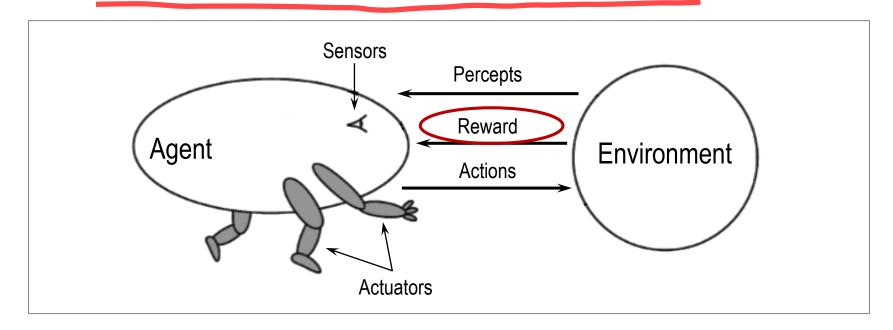
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What is Decision-theoretic Planning 什么是决策理论规划

- □ Classic planning is to find a plan to achieve its goals with lowest cost. 经典规划是寻找一个以最小代价到达其目标的计划。
- Decision-theoretic Planning is to find a plan to achieve its goals with maximum expected utility (MEU).

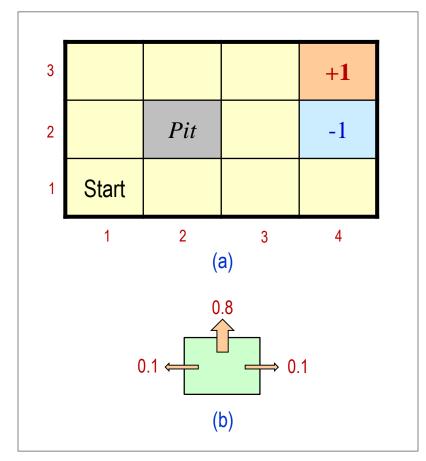
决策理论规划是寻找一个以最大期望效用 (MEU) 到达其目标的规划。



Example: Grid World 方格世界

□ Agent lives in a grid, walls block agent's path. Stochastic movement. 智能体在格子中,围墙挡住了智能体的去路。随机移动。

- □ Transition model: 转换模型
 - probability 0.8: agent moves up; 概率0.8: 智能体上移;
 - probability 0.1: agent moves right or left; 概率0.1: 智能体左移、右移;
 - no movement: if a wall in the direction;不移: 若前方是堵墙;
 - reward +1 and −1: two terminal states;
 回报+1和-1:两个终点状态;
 - reward –0.04: other no-terminal states. 回报-0.04: 其它非终点状态。
- □ Goal: maximize sum of rewards. 目标: 回报值最大化。



How to Formulize and Solve 如何形式化与求解

- □ How to formalize the problems of Decision-theoretic Planning? 如何对决策理论规划问题进行形式化?
 - Markov Decision Process (MDP) 马尔科夫决策过程 (MDP)
- ☐ How to solve the problems of Markov Decision Process?
 如何对马尔科夫决策过程进行求解?
 - Dynamic Programming 动态规划



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Markov Decision Process (MDP) 马柯夫决策过程 (MDP)

- ☐ It is a discrete time stochastic control process, means action outcomes depend only on the current state.
 - 是一种离散时间随机控制过程, 意味着动作结果仅仅依赖于当前状态。
- □ A Markov Decision Process (MDP) is a 5-tuple (S, A, T, R, γ), where 一个马柯夫决策过程是一个5元组(S, A, P, R, γ), 其中
 - **a** set of states, $s \in S$ 一个状态集, $s \in S$
 - **a** set actions, $a \in A$ 一个动作集, $a \in A$
 - a transition model, T(s, a, s') 一个迁移模型, T(s, a, s') Probability that a from s leads to s', i.e., P(s'|s, a) 从s导出s'的概率,即: P(s'|s, a)
 - **a reward function**, R(s, a, s') 一个回报函数, R(s, a, s')
 - **discount**, $\gamma \in [0, 1]$ 衰减, $\gamma \in [0, 1]$

Core Problem 核心问题

- □ The core problem of classical planning: 经典规划的核心问题
 - agent is in a deterministic environment,
 智能体是在一个确定性的环境,
 - solving the problem is to find a plan to achieve its goal. 求解该问题是找到到一个达其目标的计划。
- □ The core problem of Markov Decision Process (MDP): 马尔科夫决策过程的核心问题
 - agent is in a *discrete time stochastic environment*, 智能体处于一个离散时间随机环境,
 - solving the problem is to find a policy to control his process.
 求解该问题是找到一个控制其过程的策略。

Finding policy is the core problem to solve MDPs

Core Problem 核心问题

Given a MDP(S, A, T, R, γ), a policy is a computable function π that outputs for each state s an action a.

给定一个 $MDP(S, A, T, R, \gamma)$,一个策略是一个计算函数 π ,它对每个状态S生成一个动作a.

■ A deterministic policy π is defined as: 一个确定性策略被定义为:

$$\pi: S \to A$$

A *stochastic* policy π can also be defined as: 一个随机策略也可以被定义为:

$$\pi: S \times A \rightarrow [0,1]$$

where $\pi(s, a) \ge 0$ and $\sum_a \pi(s, a) = 1$

Goal is to choose a policy π that will maximize some cumulative function of the random rewards.

目标是选择一个策略π,使随机回报值的一些累积函数最大化。

Utilities and Optimal Policies 效用和优化策略

□ In sequential decision problems, preferences are expressed between sequences of states.

在顺序决策问题中,偏好由状态顺序之间的顺序来表示。

☐ Usually use an additive utility functions:

通常采用一个累加效用函数:

$$U([s_0, s_1, s_2, \ldots]) = R(s_0) + R(s_1) + R(s_2) + \ldots = \sum_i R(s_i)$$

- ☐ Utility of a *state* (a.k.a. its value) is defined to be:
 - 一个状态(亦称其值)的效用被定义为:

 $U(s_i) =$ expected sum of rewards until termination assuming optimal actions. 假设最佳动作结束之前的预期回报值的总和

□ Two optimal policies: Value Iteration and Policy Iteration.
两个优化策略: 值迭代和策略迭代。

1) Value Iteration 值迭代

- □ Basic idea: 基本思想
 - calculate the utility of each state, and then use the state utilities to select an optimal action in each state.

计算每个状态的效用,然后使用该状态效用在每个状态中选择一个最佳动作。

- π function is not used; instead the value of π is calculated within U(s). 不使用 π 函数;而 π 值在U(s)中计算。
- Bellman equation for utilities:

贝尔曼效用等式:

$$U(s) = R(s) + \gamma \max_{\alpha \in A(s)} \sum_{s'} P(s' \mid s, a) U(s')$$

Bellman equation is the basis of value iteration algorithm.

1) Value Iteration 值迭代

```
function VALUE-ITERATION(mdp, \epsilon) returns a utility function
  inputs: mdp, an MDP with states S, actions A(s), transition model P(s' \mid s, a),
                rewards R(s), discount \gamma
            \epsilon, the maximum error allowed in the utility of any state
  local variables: U, U', vectors of utilities for states in S, initially zero
                       \delta, the maximum change in the utility of any state in an iteration
  repeat
       U \leftarrow U' : \delta \leftarrow 0
       for each state s in S do
           U'[s] \leftarrow R(s) + \gamma \max_{a \in A(s)} \sum_{s'} P(s' \mid s, a) \ U[s']
           if |U'[s] - U[s]| > \delta then \delta \leftarrow |U'[s] - U[s]|
  until \delta < \epsilon(1-\gamma)/\gamma
  return U
```

The value iteration algorithm for calculating utilities of states.

计算状态效用的值迭代算法

2) Policy Iteration 策略迭代

■ Basic idea: alternate the two phases.

基本思想:交替执行如下两个阶段:

Policy evaluation: 策略迭代 given a policy π_i , calculate utility U_i of each state if π_i were to be executed. 给定一个策略 π_i , 如果 π_i 被执行的话,计算每个状态的效用 U_i 。

$$U_i(s) = R(s) + \gamma \sum_{s'} P(s' \mid s, \pi_i(s)) U_i(s')$$

Policy improvement: 策略改善 calculate a new MEU (maximum expected utility) policy π_{i+1} , using one-step look-ahead based on U_i .

使用基于 U_i 的提前看一步法,计算一个新的MEU(最大期待效用)策略 π_{i+1} 。

$$\pi^*(s) = \gamma \underset{\alpha \in A(s)}{\operatorname{argmax}} \sum_{s'} P(s' \mid s, a) U(s')$$

2) Policy Iteration 策略迭代

```
function POLICY-ITERATION(mdp) returns a policy
  inputs: mdp, an MDP with states S, actions A(s), transition model P(s' | s, a)
  local variables: U, a vector of utilities for states in S, initially zero
                     \pi, a policy vector indexed by state, initially random
  repeat
       U \leftarrow \text{POLICY-EVALUATION}(\pi, U, mdp)
       unchanged? \leftarrow true
       for each state s in S do
                          P(s' \mid s, a) \ U[s'] > \sum P(s' \mid s, \pi[s]) \ U[s'] then do
              a \in A(s)
               \pi[s] \leftarrow \operatorname{argmax} \sum P(s' \mid s, a) \ U[s']
               unchanged? \leftarrow false
  until unchanged?
  return \pi
```

The policy iteration algorithm for calculating an optimal policy. 计算最佳策略的值迭代算法

Thank you for your affeation!

