

DISCOVERING AND LEARNING PREFERRED OPERATORS FOR CLASSICAL PLANNING WITH NEURAL NETWORKS

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Planning has the goal of finding a sequence of actions from a initial state that satisfy the goal condition.

Example: Classical Planning

environment:

- static vs. dynamic
- deterministic vs. non-deterministic vs. stochastic
- fully observable vs. partially observable vs. not observable
- discrete vs. continuous
- single-agent vs. multi-agent

problem solving method:

problem-specific vs. general vs. learning



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Finally, $\pi = a_0, a_1, \dots, a_n$ is called a plan for Π where a_i is an applicable action.

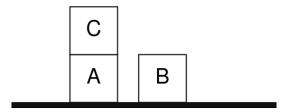


Figura: A task of the Blocksworld domain.

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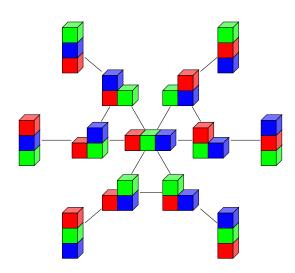
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- O = {move(a,b,c), move(a,c,b), move(b,a,c), move(b,c,a), move(c,a,b), move(c,b,a), to-table(a,b), to-table(a,c), to-table(b,a), to-table(b,c), to-table(c,a), to-table(c,b), from-table(a,b), from-table(a,c), from-table(b,a), from-table(b,c), from-table(c,a), from-table(c,b)}
- $I = \{ on(c,a), on-table(a), on-table(b), clear(c), clear(b) \}$
- $G = \{ on(a,b), on(b,c) \}$

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- move: move a block from one block to another.
 - $Pre(move(a,b,c)) = \{on(a,b), clear(a), clear(c)\}$
 - Add(move(a,b,c)) = $\{on(a,c), clear(b)\}$
 - Del(move(a,b,c)) = $\{on(a,b), clear(c)\}$
 - From the initial state, is this action applicable?
- to-table: move a block from a block to the table.
- from-table: move a block from the table to a block.





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