Planning Problems



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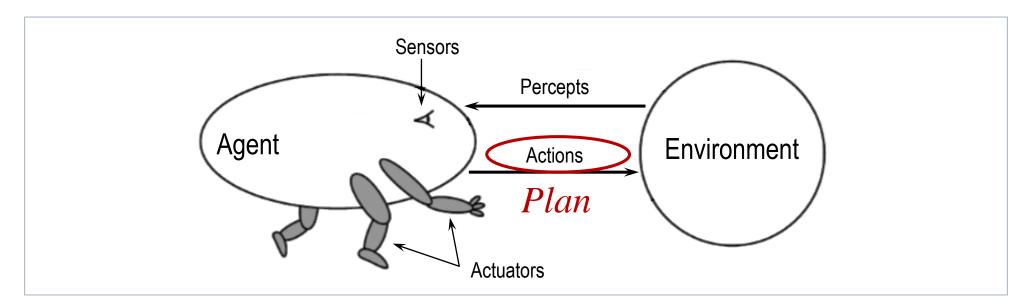
Artificial Intelligence 2

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

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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)
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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

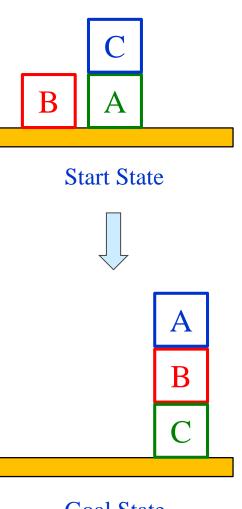
 $At(P_1, JFK) \land \neg At(P_1, JFK)$

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。

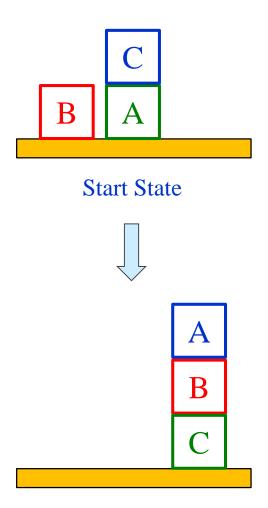
- ☐ Actions: 动作
 - *Move*(.), *MoveToTable*(.)
- □ Predicates: 谓词
 - On(b, x) -- block b is on x (either another block or table) 积木b在x上(其它积木或桌子)



Goal State

Example 2: The blocks world 积木世界

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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)
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Goal State

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

Thank you for your affeation!

