# 1. Introduction to Production Systems: Smart Home Automation

**Use Case:** Develop a rule-based system for automating tasks in a smart home, such as controlling lights, adjusting thermostats, and locking doors based on specific conditions (e.g., time of day, presence of people).

**Objective:** Implement a basic production system using if-then rules to automate decision-making in a simulated smart home environment.

## **Experiment Outline:**

# 1. Introduction and Background

• Brief on Production Systems: A production system is a type of computational model used for decision-making and automation, based on a set of condition-action rules. Each rule follows an "if-then" structure, where certain actions are triggered when specific conditions are met. These systems are foundational in artificial intelligence and automation, particularly for creating rule-based behaviors.

**Overview of Smart Home Automation:** In the context of smart homes, a production system enables automated workflows by defining a set of rules that govern the behavior of devices. For example, in a smart home, a production system could be used to automatically adjust lighting, thermostats, and security systems based on real-time conditions like time of day, occupancy, and temperature.

#### For instance:

- o If it's evening and someone is home, then turn on the lights.
- o If no one is home, then lock all doors.
- o If the temperature is below a certain threshold, then increase the thermostat.

This rule-based approach allows smart homes to respond dynamically to various conditions, improving energy efficiency, security, and comfort without needing manual control.

### 2. Experiment Setup

- **Simulated Environment:** Use Python code to create a simulated environment with virtual devices that students will control.
- Define a dictionary to represent the current state of each device:

```
# Initial state of the smart home devices
smart_home = {
   "lights": "off",
```

```
"thermostat": 22, # in Celsius
"door_lock": "unlocked",
"time_of_day": "morning",
"presence": False # True if someone is home, False if not
}
```

### 3. Defining Automation Rules

- Introduction to Rule-Based Logic: Rule-based logic is a system of decision-making that uses a set of explicit "if-then" rules to determine actions based on given conditions. Each rule defines a specific condition and a corresponding action that should be executed when that condition is met. This approach allows for predictable, consistent responses to a wide range of situations without complex calculations or deep learning.
- Example Rules: Provide a few initial rules, such as:
  - Rule 1: If the time of day is evening and presence is True, turn on the lights.
  - Rule 2: If the temperature is below 20°C and presence is True, increase the thermostat to 22°C.
  - Rule 3: If the presence is False, ensure doors are locked.
  - Rule 4: If it's morning and presence is True, set the thermostat to 20°C.

### 4. Code Implementation of Rules

• **Function to Apply Rules:** Implement a function to apply these rules to the simulated environment. The function should update the device states based on conditions.

```
def apply_rules(home):
    # Rule 1: Turn on lights in the evening if someone is home
    if home["time_of_day"] == "evening" and home["presence"]:
        home["lights"] = "on"

# Rule 2: Adjust thermostat if it's cold and someone is home
    if home["thermostat"] < 20 and home["presence"]:
        home["thermostat"] = 22

# Rule 3: Lock doors if no one is home
    if not home["presence"]:
        home["door_lock"] = "locked"

# Rule 4: Set morning thermostat if someone is home
    if home["time_of_day"] == "morning" and home["presence"]:
        home["thermostat"] = 20

return home</pre>
```

• **Testing the Rules:** Allow students to change the environment conditions (e.g., time of day, presence) and test how the rules affect the state of each device.

## 5. Visualization using Grid

- 1. **Grid Layout**: Each device is represented as a rectangle in a grid layout, with the device name and its current state displayed beside it.
- 2. **Color Coding**: Colors are mapped to states (green for active/secure states, yellow for inactive/insecure states, and blue for neutral states like the time of day).
- 3. **Rectangle Patches**: Each device's state is represented by a colored rectangle with text labels for the device name and current state.

This design mimics a dashboard and provides an organized view of the smart home's state before and after applying the automation rules.

## 6. Analysis and Questions (to be completed by students)

# • Reflection Questions:

- o How would you modify rules to handle conflicting conditions?
- o How could this rule-based approach scale to more complex systems?
- o Summarize the learning outcomes and discuss how rule-based systems are foundational to more complex automation and AI systems.

# **Lab Program 1: Smart Home Automation**

```
In [1]: # Import necessary libraries
        import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
        from matplotlib.patches import Rectangle
In [2]: | # Define the initial state of the smart home devices
        smart home = {
            "lights": "off",
            "thermostat": 22, # in Celsius
            "door lock": "unlocked",
            "time_of_day": "morning",
            "presence": False # True if someone is home, False if not
        }
        # Function to visualize the smart home state as a dashboard grid
In [3]:
        def visualize_state_grid(home_state, title="Smart Home State"):
            # Set up the plot
            fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(8, 6))
            ax.set_xlim(0, 3)
            ax.set_ylim(0, len(home_state))
            ax.set title(title, fontsize=16, fontweight='bold')
            ax.axis("off")
            # Define colors for each state based on device type
            color_map = {
                "on": "green", "off": "yellow",
                 "locked": "green", "unlocked": "yellow",
                True: "green", False: "yellow",
                 "morning": "aqua", "evening": "aqua",
                 "thermostat": "green"
            }
            # Place each device state as a colored rectangle in the grid
            for i, (device, state) in enumerate(home_state.items()):
                # Define the color based on the state
                color = color_map.get(state, "green")
                rect = Rectangle((0.5, i), 2, 1, color=color, edgecolor="black")
                ax.add_patch(rect)
                # Add device name and state text
                 ax.text(1, i + 0.5, device.capitalize(), va="center", ha="center",
        fontweight="bold", color="black")
                ax.text(2, i + 0.5, str(state), va="center", ha="center", fontweigh
        t="bold", color="black")
            plt.show()
```

```
In [4]: # Display the initial state of the smart home
    print("Initial State:", smart_home)
    visualize_state_grid(smart_home, title="Initial Smart Home State")

Initial State: {'lights': 'off', 'thermostat': 22, 'door_lock': 'unlocke
    d', 'time_of_day': 'morning', 'presence': False}

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    ty will override the edgecolor or facecolor properties.
    rect = Rectangle((0.5, i), 2, 1, color=color, edgecolor="black")
```

### **Initial Smart Home State**



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In [5]: # Define the function to apply rules
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        home["lights"] = "on"

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    if home["thermostat"] < 20 and home["presence"]:
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In [6]: # Update smart home conditions for testing (e.g., presence and time of day)
smart_home["time_of_day"] = "evening"
smart_home["presence"] = True
smart_home["thermostat"] = 18 # Set thermostat to test adjustment rule
```

```
In [7]: # Apply rules and show updated state
    updated_home = apply_rules(smart_home)
    print("Updated State:", updated_home)
    visualize_state_grid(updated_home, title="Updated Smart Home State After Ap
    plying Rules")

Updated State: {'lights': 'on', 'thermostat': 22, 'door_lock': 'unlocked',
    'time_of_day': 'evening', 'presence': True}

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    ty will override the edgecolor or facecolor properties.
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# Updated Smart Home State After Applying Rules



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