

Planification et logique : une longue histoire

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What has planning to do with logic?

- where should I publish my paper on action and planning?
case
 - when** (complex concepts \vee complex models) **then** submit(KR);
 - when** (implemented \wedge fast) **then** submit(ICAPS)**esac**
- two diverging communities
 - logicians and most KR people focus on concepts and models
 - planning community focus on efficient reasoning

What has planning to do with logic? (ctd.)

- since 2012: KR and ICAPS no longer colocated

	ICAPS	KR
2004		Canada
2006		UK
2008		Australia
2010		Canada
2012	Brazil	Italy
2014	USA	Austria
2016	?	South Africa

- since ~2012:
 - the planning community goes multiagent
 - needs more complex concepts and models

The logic engineering perspective

logic = semantics + reasoning

1 semantics

- which language?
 - which concepts?
 - which logical form? (arguments, . . .)
 - has truth values? (facts do, actions don't)
- which models?

2 reasoning

- non-mechanisable (Hilbert-style axiomatisations, natural deduction . . .)
 - ⇒ complete? decidable?
- mechanisable methods: sequent systems, resolution, Davis&Putnam, . . . , semantic tableaux; model checking
 - ⇒ complete? decidable?
 - ⇒ worst/average case complexity? implementations?

The four central concepts in planning

1 initial state(s)

- made up of fluents
- simplest: state = each fluent either true or false
= valuation of classical propositional logic
- alternatively: proba/fuzzy/epistemic/. . . logic

2 goal

- simplest: set of states (alternatively: proba/. . .)
- more challenging:
 - temporal logics
 - logics of goals and intentions (BDI logics)
⇒ beliefs, goals, committed goals (intentions), plans, actions

The four central concepts in planning

3 action (alias planning operator)

- simplest model: action = $\langle \text{precond}, \text{add}, \text{del} \rangle$
- more challenging:
 - conditional effects, sensing
 - nondeterministic effects, probabilistic effects
 - domain laws

⇒ many KR problems: frame problem, ramification problem, qualification problem

4 plan

- simplest: sequence of actions
- more challenging:
 - conditional plans (if-then-else), knowledge-based programs
 - high-level intentions and plans + refinement (BDI model)
 - strategies (coalition against its opponents)

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Theory vs. Practice: 1970-1990

- practice: first steps
 - General Problem Solver
 - classical planning: STRIPS [Fikes&Nilsson 1971]
- theory: many tentatives
 - logics plagued by the frame problem:
 - Algorithmic Logic [Salwicki 1970]
 - Dynamic Logic [Pratt 1976, Segerberg 1977]
 - Linear Temporal Logic [Pnueli 1977, Gabbay 1980]
 - complicated action formalisms:
 - SitCalc [McCarthy 1963]
 - EventCalc [Kowalski&Sergot 1986]
 - FluentCalc [Thielscher 1997]
 - and an UFO: Linear Logic [Girard 1987]

Theory vs. Practice: 1990-2000

- theory: some paradigms emerge
 - Reiter's SitCalc solution to the frame problem [Reiter 1991]
 - successor state axioms model conditional effects
 - requires 2nd-order logic!
 - complicated belief-desire-intention (BDI) logics [Cohen&Levesque 1990; Rao&Georgeff 1990]
 - desires \Rightarrow can be inconsistent
 - intentions commit agent to act \Rightarrow must be consistent
 - Cohen&Levesque require 2nd-order logic!
- practice: successful planners
 - based on boolean SAT solvers
 - based on SMT solvers
 - based on heuristic search
 - ...

Theory vs. Practice: 2000-2010

- theory: mature formalisms
 - game theory-inspired logics for strategic reasoning: Coalition Logic [Pauly 2000], Alternating-time Temporal Logic ATL [Alur et al. 1997], ATL*, Strategy Logic [Mogavero et al. 2010]
 - “coalition of agents $\{i_1, \dots, i_n\}$ has a strategy to achieve φ ”
 - Dynamic Epistemic Logics (DELs): Public Announcement Logic [Plaza 1989], Group Announcement Logic [Ågotnes et al. 2010],...
 - “after the truthful public announcement that φ is true, ψ will hold”
 - “coalition of agents $\{i_1, \dots, i_n\}$ can achieve common knowledge of φ ”
 - SAT problem often in PSpace
 - Separation Logic [Reynolds, O’Hearn et al. 2002]
 - resource logic (successors of linear logic)
 - ‘built-in’ solution to the frame problem
 - practice: consolidation
 - PDDL [McDermott 1998/2000]; benchmarks & competitions
 - implemented BDI agents
 - plan libraries only
- ⇒ remained single-agent & diverged from logic

Theory vs. Practice: 2010-2020

- theory and practice converge
 - Dagstuhl workshops on multiagent planning in 2008, 2014
 - 'ICAPS goes multiagent'
 - ICAPS 2005 and 2008 Multiagent Planning Workshop
 - since ICAPS 2013: workshop series 'Distributed and Multi-Agent Planning' (DMAP)
[Petrick, Geffner, Domshlak, Brafman, Kambhampati, Nebel, . . .]
 - 'DEL goes planning'
[Bolander, van der Hoek, Wooldridge, Aucher, Schwarzentruher, . . .]
 - difficult: plan existence undecidable in general
[Aucher&Bolander 2013], in ExpSpace in some cases
[Bolander et al. 2015]
 - simpler BDI logics get simpler
[Shoham 2009, Icard et al. 2010, van Zee et al. 2015]
 - 'database perspective'

This talk

- propaganda for a simple logic of actions and plans allowing for planning with conditional and nondeterministic effects
 - similar to but more natural than QBF
 - based on propositional assignments
 - decidable
 - SAT/validity/model checking problem: all PSpace complete

⇒ *in the logic!* (cf. Hilbert's program)

- account of visibility-based epistemic reasoning

⇒ v. Faustine's talk

- account of planning problem modification

[Smith, ICAPS 2004; Göbelbecker et al., ICAPS 2010, Herzig et al., ECAI 2014]

⇒ v.i.

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Extending the language of QBF

- boolean formulas: talk about a single valuation (alias a state)

$$s \models p \quad \text{if} \quad p \in s$$

$$s \models \neg\varphi \quad \text{if} \quad s \not\models \varphi$$

...

- quantified boolean formulas (QBF): talk about valuations and their modification

$$s \models \exists p.\varphi \quad \text{if} \quad s \cup \{p\} \models \varphi \quad \text{or} \quad s \setminus \{p\} \models \varphi$$

$$s \models \forall p.\varphi \quad \text{if} \quad s \cup \{p\} \models \varphi \quad \text{and} \quad s \setminus \{p\} \models \varphi$$

- beyond: talk about **programs** modifying valuations
 \Rightarrow **assignments** of propositional variables to truth values

$$s \models \langle p \leftarrow \top \rangle \varphi \quad \text{if} \quad s \cup \{p\} \models \varphi$$

$$s \models \langle p \leftarrow \perp \rangle \varphi \quad \text{if} \quad s \setminus \{p\} \models \varphi$$

Assignments and QBF are equi-expressive

- express assignments in QBF:

$$\langle p \leftarrow \top \rangle \varphi = \exists p. (p \wedge \varphi)$$

$$\langle p \leftarrow \perp \rangle \varphi = \exists p. (\neg p \wedge \varphi)$$

- express propositional quantifiers in DL-PA:

$$\exists p. \varphi = \langle p \leftarrow \top \rangle \varphi \vee \langle p \leftarrow \perp \rangle \varphi$$

$$\forall p. \varphi = \langle p \leftarrow \top \rangle \varphi \wedge \langle p \leftarrow \perp \rangle \varphi$$

- ... but DL-PA also has **complex assignment programs**

Assignment programs as relations on valuations

- atomic assignment programs

$$s \xrightarrow{p \leftarrow \top} s \cup \{p\}$$

$$s \xrightarrow{p \leftarrow \perp} s \setminus \{p\}$$

- sequential composition

$$s_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_1; \pi_2} s_3 \text{ iff there is } s_2 \text{ such that } s_1 \xrightarrow{\pi_1} s_2 \xrightarrow{\pi_2} s_3$$

- nondeterministic composition

$$s \xrightarrow{\pi_1 \cup \pi_2} s' \text{ iff } s \xrightarrow{\pi_1} s' \text{ or } s \xrightarrow{\pi_2} s'$$

- finite iteration ('Kleene star')

$$s \xrightarrow{\pi^*} s' \text{ iff there is } n \text{ such that } s \xrightarrow{\pi^n} s'$$

- test

$$s \xrightarrow{\varphi?} s' \text{ iff } s = s' \text{ and } s \models \varphi$$

- converse, intersection, ...

Capturing standard programming languages

if φ **then** π_1 **else** $\pi_2 = (\varphi?; \pi_1) \cup (\neg\varphi?; \pi_2)$

while φ **do** $\pi = (\varphi?; \pi)^*; \neg\varphi?$

skip = $\top?$

fail = $\perp?$

Language of DL-PA

- existential and universal modal operators:

$\langle \pi \rangle \varphi$ = “ φ is true after **some** execution of π ”

$[\pi] \varphi$ = “ φ is true after **every** execution of π ”

$$= \neg \langle \pi \rangle \neg \varphi$$

- therefore more compactly:

$$\exists p. \varphi = \langle p \leftarrow \top \cup p \leftarrow \perp \rangle \varphi$$

$$\forall p. \varphi = [p \leftarrow \top \cup p \leftarrow \perp] \varphi$$

- language of DL-PA: programs π and formulas φ

$\varphi ::= p \mid \top \mid \perp \mid \neg \varphi \mid \varphi \vee \varphi \mid \langle \pi \rangle \varphi \mid [\pi] \varphi$

$\pi ::= p \leftarrow \top \mid p \leftarrow \perp \mid \varphi? \mid \pi; \pi \mid \pi \cup \pi \mid \pi^* \mid \pi^{-1}$

where p ranges over set of propositional variables \mathbb{P}

Semantics of DL-PA: (1) formulas

- interpretation of a formula φ = set of valuations $\|\varphi\| \subseteq 2^{\mathbb{P}}$

$$\|p\| = \{s : p \in s\}$$

$$\|\top\| = 2^{\mathbb{P}}$$

$$\|\perp\| = \emptyset$$

$$\|\neg\varphi\| = \dots$$

$$\|\varphi \vee \psi\| = \dots$$

$$\|\langle\pi\rangle\varphi\| = \{s : \text{there is } s' \text{ such that } s \xrightarrow{\pi} s' \ \& \ s' \in \|\varphi\|\}$$

$$\|\llbracket\pi\rrbracket\varphi\| = \{s : \text{for every } s' : s \xrightarrow{\pi} s' \implies s' \in \|\varphi\|\}$$

- write $(s, s') \in \|\llbracket\pi\rrbracket\|$ instead of $s \xrightarrow{\pi} s'$

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Semantics of DL-PA: (2) programs

- interpretation of a program π = relation on the set of valuations $2^{\mathbb{P}}$

$$\|p \leftarrow \top\| = \{(s, s') : s' = s \cup \{p\}\}$$

$$\|p \leftarrow \perp\| = \{(s, s') : s' = s \setminus \{p\}\}$$

$$\|\varphi?\| = \{(s, s) : s \in \|\varphi\|\}$$

$$\|\pi; \pi'\| = \|\pi\| \circ \|\pi'\|$$

$$\|\pi \cup \pi'\| = \|\pi\| \cup \|\pi'\|$$

$$\|\pi^*\| = (\|\pi\|)^* = \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}_0} (\|\pi\|)^k$$

$$\|\pi^{-1}\| = (\|\pi\|)^{-1}$$

DL-PA: eliminating the dynamic operators

1 eliminate the program operators

1 eliminate the Kleene star:

$$\langle \pi^* \rangle \varphi \leftrightarrow \langle \pi^{2^{\leq \text{card}(\mathbb{F}\pi)}} \rangle \varphi$$

2 eliminate converse operators:

$$\begin{aligned} (\pi_1; \pi_2)^{-1} &\equiv \pi_2^{-1}; \pi_1^{-1} & p \leftarrow \top^{-1} &\equiv p?; (\text{skip} \cup p \leftarrow \perp) \\ \dots & & p \leftarrow \perp^{-1} &\equiv \dots \end{aligned}$$

3 eliminate all other program operators:

$$\langle \pi_1 \cup \pi_2 \rangle \varphi \leftrightarrow \langle \pi_1 \rangle \vee \langle \pi_2 \rangle \varphi \quad \langle \psi? \rangle \varphi \leftrightarrow \psi \wedge \varphi \quad \dots$$

2 eliminate atomic programs $\langle p \leftarrow \top \rangle$ and $\langle p \leftarrow \perp \rangle$:

- distribute over \wedge, \vee, \neg
- can be eliminated when facing atomic formulas:

$$\langle p \leftarrow \top \rangle q \leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \top & \text{if } q = p \\ q & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \langle p \leftarrow \perp \rangle q \leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \perp & \text{if } q = p \\ q & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Proposition ('regression')

For every DL-PA formula there is an equivalent boolean formula
(that might be exponentially longer)

DL-PA: eliminating the dynamic operators

Example

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle p \leftarrow \perp^{-1} \rangle (p \wedge q) &\leftrightarrow \langle \neg p? ; (\text{skip} \cup p \leftarrow \top) \rangle (p \wedge q) \\
 &\leftrightarrow \langle \neg p? \rangle \langle (\text{skip} \cup p \leftarrow \top) \rangle (p \wedge q) \\
 &\leftrightarrow \neg p \wedge \langle (\text{skip} \cup p \leftarrow \top) \rangle (p \wedge q) \\
 &\leftrightarrow \neg p \wedge (\langle \text{skip} \rangle (p \wedge q) \vee \langle p \leftarrow \top \rangle (p \wedge q)) \\
 &\leftrightarrow \neg p \wedge (\langle \text{skip} \rangle (p \wedge q) \vee (\langle p \leftarrow \top \rangle p \wedge \langle p \leftarrow \top \rangle q)) \\
 &\leftrightarrow \neg p \wedge ((p \wedge q) \vee (\top \wedge q)) \\
 &\leftrightarrow \neg p \wedge ((p \wedge q) \vee q) \\
 &\leftrightarrow \neg p \wedge q
 \end{aligned}$$

Properties of DL-PA

- compares favourably to PDL:
 - PSPACE complete both for model checking and satisfiability checking [Balbiani et al., ongoing]
 - in [Balbiani et al., LICS 2013] PDL: SAT is EXPTIME complete
 - consequence relation is compact and has interpolation
 - fails for PDL
- rest of talk:
 - how to capture planning and plan task modifications

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Classical planning

- classical planning task:

$\langle \mathbb{P},$	finite set of propositional variables
$s_0,$	initial state
$S_g,$	set of goal states
$\mathbf{A} \rangle$	finite set of STRIPS actions

- interpretation of an action $a \in \mathbf{A} =$ relation on the set of states

$$\|a\| = \{(s, s') : s \in \|\text{pre}_a\| \text{ and } s' = (s \setminus \text{del}_a) \cup \text{add}_a\}$$

(deterministic: each $\|a\|$ is a function)

- s is *reachable* from s_0 via \mathbf{A} iff ...
- planning task is *solvable* iff some state in S_g is reachable from s_0 via \mathbf{A}

Classical planning tasks in DL-PA

- action a with add list $\{p_1, \dots, p_m\}$ and delete list $\{q_1, \dots, q_n\}$:

$$\|a\| = \|\text{pre}_a?; p_1 \leftarrow \top; \dots; p_m \leftarrow \top; q_1 \leftarrow \perp; \dots; q_n \leftarrow \perp\|$$

\Rightarrow view every a_i in $A = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$ as a DL-PA program

- define DL-PA program $\text{iterate}_A = (a_1 \cup \dots \cup a_n)^*$

$$(\mathbb{P}, A, s_0, S_g) \text{ solvable iff } \text{Fml}(s_0) \rightarrow \langle \text{iterate}_A \rangle \text{Fml}(S_g) \text{ DL-PA valid}$$

Beyond classical planning

- nondeterministic effects:

if pre_a
then $\pi_1 \cup \pi_2$

- conditional effects:

if $\text{pre}_a \wedge C_1$
then π_1
else if $\text{pre}_a \wedge C_2$
then π_2

(precise definition requires copies of variables)

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Belief change operations

$B \circ A$ = modification of belief base B accomodating input A

- many operations \circ in the literature; most prominent:
 - Winslett's possible models approach PMA [Winslett, AAAI 1988]
 - Winslett's standard semantics WSS [Winslett 1995]
 - Forbus's update operation [Forbus, IJCAI 1989]
 - Dalal's revision operation [Dalal, AAAI 1988]
- **concrete** operations: different from parametrised operations à la AGM, KM (built from background ordering or distance)
- **semantical**
 - 1 state = subset of \mathbb{P}
 - 2 interpretation of formula = set of states
 - 3 **result of update/revision = set of states**

$B \circ A$ subset of $2^{\mathbb{P}}$

Forbus's update operation [Forbus, IJCAI 1989]

- Hamming distance between states

$$h(\{p, q\}, \{q, r\}) = \text{card}(\{p, r\}) = 2$$

- update B by $A =$ “for each B -state, find the *closest* A -states w.r.t. $h(., .)$; then collect the resulting states”

- $s \diamond^{\text{forbus}} A = \{s' : s' \in \|A\| \text{ and there is no } s'' \text{ s.th. } h(s, s'') < h(s, s')\}$
- $S \diamond^{\text{forbus}} A = \bigcup_{s \in S} s \diamond^{\text{forbus}} A$

Example

$$\neg p \wedge \neg q \diamond^{\text{forbus}} p \vee q = \|p \oplus q\| \quad (\text{exclusive } \vee)$$

$$p \oplus q \diamond^{\text{forbus}} p = \|p\|$$

Dalal's revision operation [Dalal, AAAI 1988]

- revise B by A = “go to the A -states that are closest w.r.t. Hamming distance to the B -states”

$$B *^{\text{dalal}} A = \{s_A \in \|A\| : \text{there is } s_B \in \|B\| \text{ s.t. there are no } s'_A, s'_B \text{ with } h(s'_A, s'_B) < h(s_A, s_B)\}$$

- update vs. revision:
 - $B *^{\text{dalal}} A = B \diamond^{\text{forbus}} A$ if B is complete
 - $B *^{\text{dalal}} A = \|B \wedge A\|$ if $\|B \wedge A\| \neq \emptyset$

Example

$$\neg p \wedge \neg q *^{\text{dalal}} p \vee q = \|p \oplus q\|$$

$$p \oplus q *^{\text{dalal}} p = \|p \wedge \neg q\|$$

The embeddings in a nutshell

- here: polynomial embeddings into DL-PA
 - object language operators (vs. metalanguage operations)
 - regression \Rightarrow representation of $B \circ A$ in propositional logic
- update by atomic formula is ‘built in’:
 - $p \leftarrow \top$ = “update by p !”
 - $p \leftarrow \perp$ = “update by $\neg p$!”
- update by complex formula A = complex assignment π_A
 - depends on belief change operation:

$$\pi_{\neg p \vee \neg q}^{\text{wss}} = p \leftarrow \perp \cup q \leftarrow \perp \cup (p \leftarrow \perp; q \leftarrow \perp)$$

$$\pi_{\neg p \vee \neg q}^{\text{pma}} = \dots$$

- to be proved for each change operation \circ^{op} :

$$B \circ^{op} A = \|\langle (\pi_A^{op})^{-1} \rangle B\|$$

- details in the next slides

Some useful programs and formulas

- nondeterministically assign truth values to p_1, \dots, p_n :

$$\text{vary}(\{p_1, \dots, p_n\}) = (p_1 \leftarrow \top \cup p_1 \leftarrow \perp) ; \dots ; (p_n \leftarrow \top \cup p_n \leftarrow \perp)$$

- nondeterministically flip one of p_1, \dots, p_n :

$$\text{flip1}(\{p_1, \dots, p_n\}) = p_1 \leftarrow \neg p_1 \cup \dots \cup p_n \leftarrow \neg p_n$$

- Hamming distance to closest A -state at least m :

$$H(A, \geq m) = \begin{cases} \top & \text{if } m = 0 \\ \neg \langle \text{flip1}^{\leq m-1}(\mathbb{P}_A) \rangle A & \text{if } m \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

Expressing Forbus's operation in DL-PA

Theorem ([H, KR 2014])

Let $\pi^{\text{forbus}}(A)$ be the DL-PA program

$$\left(\bigcup_{0 \leq m \leq \text{card}(\mathbb{P}_A)} H(A, \geq m)?; \text{flip}1^m(\mathbb{P}_A) \right); A?$$

Then $B \diamond^{\text{forbus}} A = \|\langle (\pi^{\text{forbus}}(A))^{-1} \rangle B\|.$

- program length cubic in length of A

Expressing Dalal's operation in DL-PA

Theorem ([H, KR 2014])

Let $\pi^{\text{dalal}}(A, B)$ be the DL-PA program

$\text{vary}(\mathbb{P}_B); B?;$

$\left(\bigcup_{0 \leq m \leq \text{card}(\mathbb{P}_A)} ([\text{vary}(\mathbb{P}_B); B?]H(A, \geq m))? ; \text{flip}1^m(\mathbb{P}_A) \right); A?$

Then for satisfiable B : $B *^{\text{dalal}} A = \|\langle (\pi^{\text{dalal}}(A, B))^{-1} \rangle_{\top}\|$.

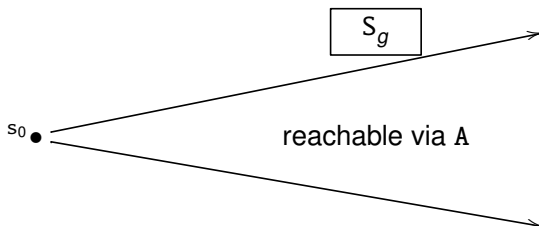
- program length cubic in length of A + length of B

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Planning task modification

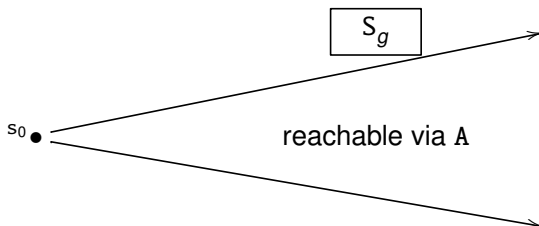
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- modify task [Smith, ICAPS 2004; Göbelbecker et al., ICAPS 2010]:
 - ① increase or decrease the set of objects of the domain
 - ② augment the set of actions \mathbf{A}
 - ③ change the initial state s_0 ('find good excuses')
 - ④ change the goal description S_g ('over-subscription planning')
- here: 2, 3 and 4

Planning task modification

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Changing the initial state

- candidate initial states:

$$S'_0 = \{s'_0 : \text{there is a goal state that is reachable from } s'_0 \text{ via } A\}$$

- candidate initial states **closest to s_0** :

$$s_0 \diamond^{\text{forbus}} \text{Fml}(S'_0)$$

- alternative: $s_0 \diamond^{\text{pma}} \text{Fml}(S'_0)$ [Göbelbecker et al., ICAPS 2010]

- for both:

- “update s_0 such that S_g becomes reachable”
- problem: counterfactual statement \Rightarrow non-boolean

Changing the goal

- candidate goal states:

$$S'_g = \{s'_g : s'_g \text{ is reachable from initial state via } A\}$$

- candidate goal states **closest to S_g** :

$$S_g *^{\text{dala}} \text{Fml}(S'_g)$$

- “*revise* S_g such that goal becomes reachable from s_0 ”
N.B.: update would be too permissive
- problem: counterfactual statement \Rightarrow non-boolean

Augmenting the set of actions

- given: planning task $(\mathbb{P}, \mathbf{A}, s_0, S_g)$
- set of background actions A_0
- only A is initially *usable*

$$s_0 \models \left(\bigwedge_{a \in A} \mathbf{u}_a \right) \wedge \left(\bigwedge_{a \in A_0 \setminus A} \neg \mathbf{u}_a \right)$$

- add \mathbf{u}_a to the precondition of all actions
- change the \mathbf{u}_a minimally such that S_g gets reachable

Changing the initial state in DL-PA

- set of candidate initial states:

$$S'_0 = \|\langle \text{iterate}_A \rangle \text{Fml}(S_g)\|$$

Theorem

The set of initial states closest to s_0 from which S_g is reachable is

$$\begin{aligned} s_0 \diamond^{\text{forbus}} \text{Fml}(S'_0) &= \|\langle (\pi^{\text{forbus}}(\text{Fml}(S'_0)))^{-1} \rangle \text{Fml}(s_0)\| \\ &= \|\langle (\pi^{\text{forbus}}(\langle \text{iterate}_A \rangle \text{Fml}(S_g)))^{-1} \rangle \text{Fml}(s_0)\| \end{aligned}$$

Changing the goal in DL-PA

- set of candidate goal states:

$$S'_g = \|\langle \text{iterate}_A^{-1} \rangle \text{Fml}(s_0)\|$$

Theorem

The set of goal states closest to S_g that are reachable from s_0 is

$$\begin{aligned} S_g *^{\text{dala}} \text{Fml}(S'_g) &= \|\langle (\pi^{\text{dala}}(\text{Fml}(S'_g), \text{Fml}(S_g)))^{-1} \rangle_{\top}\| \\ &= \|\langle (\pi^{\text{dala}}(\langle \text{iterate}_A^{-1} \rangle \text{Fml}(s_0), \text{Fml}(S_g)))^{-1} \rangle_{\top}\| \end{aligned}$$

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Conclusion

Dynamic Logic of Propositional Assignments DL-PA

[H. et al., IJCAI 2011, Balbiani, H.&Troquard, LICS 2013]

- a sort of Hilbert program for knowledge representation: capture metalinguistic definitions in a logical language
 - update and revision operations [H., KR 2014]
 - merging operations [H. et al., FOIKS 2014]
 - abstract argumentation frameworks and their modification
[Doutre, H.&Perrussel, KR 2014]
 - planning tasks and their modification [H. et al., ECAI 2014]
 - active integrity constraints [H.&Feuillade, JELIA 2014]
 - Dung argumentation frameworks
 - enforce a property on all/some extensions = update by a counterfactual
- planning and planning task modification
 - builds on embedding of update/revision operations into DL-PA
 - modification of initial state = update by a counterfactual
 - modification of goal = revision by a counterfactual

Conclusion, ctd.

- ongoing: epistemic extension
 - action preconditions become *epistemic actions*
 - public/semi-public/private/... \Rightarrow DEL s
 - undecidable in general (due to *) [Miller&Moss, 2004]
 - single agent decidable [Bolander et al. 2012]
 - star-free fragment enough to embed Scherl&Levesque's epistemic extension of the SitCalc
 - [van Ditmarsch, H.&de Lima, JLC 2012]
 - other decidable fragments?
 - grounded versions: cf. Faustine's talk at IAF'2015
- t.b.d.: strategic version
 - based on propositional control (cf. boolean games)