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Lecture 4: High-Level Programming
in the Situation Calculus:
Golog and ConGolog

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Lecture Outline

Part 1: Syntax, Informal Semantics, Examples

Part 2: Formal Semantics

Part 3: Implementation

High-level Programming in the Situation Calculus — The Approach

Plan synthesis can be very hard; but often we can sketch what a good plan might look like.

Instead of planning, agent's task is *executing a high-level plan/program*.

But allow *nondeterministic* programs.

Then, can direct interpreter to *search* for a way to execute the program.

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The Approach (cont.)

Can still do planning/deliberation.

Can also completely script agent behaviors when appropriate.

Can control nondeterminism/amount of search done.

Related to work on planning with domain specific search control information.

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The Approach (cont.)

Programs are *high-level*.

Use primitive actions and test conditions that are *domain dependent*.

Programmer specifies preconditions and effects of primitive actions and what is known about initial situation in a logical theory, a *basic action theory* in the situation calculus.

Interpreter uses this in search/lookahead and in updating world model.

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Golog [LRLLS97]

ALGOI in LOGic

Constructs:

α ,	primitive action
$\phi?$,	test a condition
$(\delta_1; \delta_2)$,	sequence
if ϕ then δ_1 else δ_2 endIf ,	conditional
while ϕ do δ endWhile ,	loop
proc $\beta(\vec{x}) \delta$ endProc ,	procedure definition
$\beta(\vec{t})$,	procedure call
$(\delta_1 \mid \delta_2)$,	nondeterministic choice of action
$\pi \vec{x} [\delta]$,	nondeterministic choice of arguments
δ^* ,	nondeterministic iteration

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Golog Semantics

High-level program execution task is a special case of planning:

Program Execution: Given domain theory \mathcal{D} and program δ , the execution task is to find a sequence of actions \vec{a} such that:

$$\mathcal{D} \models Do(\delta, S_0, do(\vec{a}, S_0))$$

where $Do(\delta, s, s')$ means that program δ when executed starting in situation s has s' as a legal terminating situation.

Since Golog programs can be nondeterministic, may be several terminating situations s' .

Will see how Do can be defined later.

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Nondeterminism

A nondeterministic program may have several possible executions. E.g.:

$$ndp_1 = (a \mid b); c$$

Assuming actions are always possible, we have:

$$Do(ndp_1, S_0, s) \equiv s = do([a, c], S_0) \vee s = do([b, c], S_0)$$

Above uses abbreviation $do([a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n-1}, a_n], s)$ meaning $do(a_n, do(a_{n-1}, \dots, do(a_2, do(a_1, s))))$.

Interpreter searches all the way to a final situation of the program, and only then starts executing corresponding sequence of actions.

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Nondeterminism (cont.)

When condition of a test action or action precondition is false, backtrack and try different nondeterministic choices. E.g.:

$$ndp_2 = (a \mid b); c; P?$$

If P is true initially, but becomes false iff a is performed, then

$$Do(ndp_2, S_0, s) \equiv s = do([b, c], S_0)$$

and interpreter will find it by backtracking.

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Using Nondeterminism: A Simple Example

A program to clear blocks from table:

$$(\pi b [OnTable(b)?; putAway(b)])^*; \neg \exists b OnTable(b)?$$

Interpreter will find way to unstack all blocks ($putAway(b)$ is only possible if b is clear).

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Example: Controlling an Elevator

Primitive actions: $up(n)$, $down(n)$, $turnoff(n)$, $open$, $close$.

Fluents: $floor(s) = n$, $on(n, s)$.

Fluent abbreviation: $next_floor(n, s)$.

Action Precondition Axioms:

$$\begin{aligned} Poss(up(n), s) &\equiv floor(s) < n. \\ Poss(down(n), s) &\equiv floor(s) > n. \\ Poss(open, s) &\equiv True. \\ Poss(close, s) &\equiv True. \\ Poss(turnoff(n), s) &\equiv on(n, s). \\ Poss(no_op, s) &\equiv True. \end{aligned}$$

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Elevator Example (cont.)

Successor State Axioms:

$$\begin{aligned} floor(do(a, s)) = m &\equiv \\ &a = up(m) \vee a = down(m) \vee \\ &floor(s) = m \wedge \neg \exists n a = up(n) \wedge \neg \exists n a = down(n). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} on(m, do(a, s)) &\equiv \\ &a = push(m) \vee on(m, s) \wedge a \neq turnoff(m). \end{aligned}$$

Fluent abbreviation:

$$\begin{aligned} next_floor(n, s) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} on(n, s) \wedge \\ &\forall m. on(m, s) \supset |m - floor(s)| \geq |n - floor(s)|. \end{aligned}$$

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Elevator Example (cont.)

Golog Procedures:

```
proc serve(n)  
  go_floor(n); turnoff(n); open; close  
endProc
```

```
proc go_floor(n)  
  [current_floor = n? | up(n) | down(n)]  
endProc
```

```
proc serve_a_floor  
   $\pi n$  [next_floor(n)?; serve(n)]  
endProc
```

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Elevator Example (cont.)

Golog Procedures (cont.):

```
proc control  
  while  $\exists n$  on(n) do serve_a_floor endWhile;  
  park  
endProc
```

```
proc park  
  if current_floor = 0 then open  
  else down(0); open  
  endIf  
endProc
```

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Elevator Example (cont.)

Initial situation:

$$\text{current_floor}(S_0) = 4, \text{ on}(5, S_0), \text{ on}(3, S_0).$$

Querying the theory:

$$\text{Axioms} \models \exists s \text{ Do}(\text{control}, S_0, s).$$

Successful proof might return

$$s = \text{do}(\text{open}, \text{do}(\text{down}(0), \text{do}(\text{close}, \text{do}(\text{open}, \text{do}(\text{turnoff}(5), \text{do}(\text{up}(5), \text{do}(\text{close}, \text{do}(\text{open}, \text{do}(\text{turnoff}(3), \text{do}(\text{down}(3), S_0)))))))))))).$$

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Using Nondeterminism to Do Planning: A Mail Delivery Example

This control program searches to find a schedule/route that serves all clients and minimizes distance traveled:

```
proc control
  search(minimize_distance(0))
endProc

proc minimize_distance(distance)
  serve_all_clients_within(distance)
  | % or
  minimize_distance(distance + Increment)
endProc
```

minimize_distance does iterative deepening search.

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A Control Program that Plans (cont.)

```
proc serve_all_clients_within(distance)
   $\neg\exists c$  Client_to_serve(c)? % if no clients to serve, we're done
  | % or
   $\pi c, d$  [(Client_to_serve(c)  $\wedge$  % choose a client
     $d = \text{distance\_to}(c) \wedge d \leq \text{distance}?$ );
    go_to(c); % and serve him
    serve_client(c);
    serve_all_clients_within(distance - d)]
endProc
```

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Concurrent Processes and ConGolog: Motivation

A key limitation of Golog is its lack of support for *concurrent processes*.

Can't program several agents within a single Golog program.

Can't specify an agent's behavior using concurrent processes. Inconvenient when you want to program *reactive* or *event-driven* behaviors.

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ConGolog Motivation (cont.)

Address this by developing ConGolog (Concurrent Golog) which handles:

- concurrent processes with possibly different priorities,
- high-level interrupts,
- arbitrary exogenous actions.

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Concurrency

We model concurrent processes as *interleavings* of the primitive actions in the component processes. E.g.:

$$cp_1 = (a; b) \parallel c$$

Assuming actions are always possible, we have:

$$Do(cp_1, S_0, s) \equiv s = do([a, b, c], S_0) \vee s = do([a, c, b], S_0) \vee s = do([c, a, b], S_0)$$

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Concurrency (cont.)

Important notion: process becoming *blocked*. Happens when a process δ reaches a primitive action whose pre-conditions are false or a test action $\phi?$ and ϕ is false.

Then execution need not fail as in Golog. May continue provided another process executes next. The process is blocked. E.g.:

$$cp_2 = (a; P?; b) \parallel c$$

If a makes P false, b does not affect it, and c makes it true, then we have

$$Do(cp_2, S_0, s) \equiv s = do([a, c, b], S_0).$$

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Concurrency (cont.)

If no other process can execute, then backtrack. Interpreter still searches all the way to a final situation of the program before executing any actions.

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New ConGolog Constructs

$(\delta_1 \parallel \delta_2),$	concurrent execution
$(\delta_1 \gg \delta_2),$	concurrent execution with different priorities
$\delta \parallel,$	concurrent iteration
$\langle \phi \rightarrow \delta \rangle,$	interrupt.

In $(\delta_1 \gg \delta_2)$, δ_1 has higher priority than δ_2 . δ_2 executes only when δ_1 is done or blocked.

$\delta \parallel$ is like nondeterministic iteration δ^* , but the instances of δ are executed concurrently rather than in sequence.

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ConGolog Constructs (cont.)

An interrupt $\langle \phi \rightarrow \delta \rangle$ has trigger condition ϕ and body δ . If interrupt gets control from higher priority processes and condition ϕ is true, it triggers and body is executed. Once body completes execution, may trigger again.

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ConGolog Constructs (cont.)

In Golog:

if ϕ **then** δ_1 **else** δ_2 **endIf** $\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\phi?; \delta_1) | (\neg\phi?; \delta_2)$

In ConGolog:

if ϕ **then** δ_1 **else** δ_2 **endIf**, synchronized conditional

while ϕ **do** δ **endWhile**, synchronized loop.

if ϕ **then** δ_1 **else** δ_2 **endIf** differs from $(\phi?; \delta_1) | (\neg\phi?; \delta_2)$ in that no action (or test) from an other process can occur between the test and the first action (or test) in the if branch selected (δ_1 or δ_2).

Similarly for **while**.

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Exogenous Actions

One may also specify *exogenous actions* that can occur at random. This is useful for simulation. It is done by defining the *Exo* predicate:

$$Exo(a) \equiv a = a_1 \vee \dots \vee a = a_n$$

Executing a program δ with the above amounts to executing

$$\delta \parallel a_1^* \parallel \dots \parallel a_n^*$$

The current implementation also allows the programmer to specify probability distributions.

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E.g. 2 Robots Lifting Table (cont.)

Goal is to get the table up, but keep it sufficiently level so that nothing falls off.

$TableUp(s) \stackrel{def}{=} vpos(End_1, s) \geq H \wedge vpos(End_2, s) \geq H$
 (both ends of table are higher than some threshold H)

$Level(s) \stackrel{def}{=} |vpos(End_1, s) - vpos(End_2, s)| \leq T$
 (both ends are at same height to within a tolerance T)

$Goal(s) \stackrel{def}{=} TableUp(s) \wedge \forall s^* \leq s Level(s^*)$

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E.g. 2 Robots Lifting Table (cont.)

Goal can be achieved by having Rob_1 and Rob_2 execute the same procedure $ctrl(r)$:

```
proc ctrl(r)
   $\pi e [TableEnd(e)?; grab(r, e)];$ 
  while  $\neg TableUp$  do
     $SafeToLift(r)?; vmove(r, A)$ 
  endWhile
endProc
```

where A is some constant such that $0 < A < T$ and

$SafeToLift(r, s) \stackrel{def}{=} \exists e, e' e \neq e' \wedge TableEnd(e) \wedge TableEnd(e') \wedge Holding(r, e, s) \wedge vpos(e) \leq vpos(e') + T - A$

Proposition

$Ax \models \forall s. Do(ctrl(Rob_1) \parallel ctrl(Rob_2), S_0, s) \supset Goal(s)$

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E.g. A Reactive Elevator Controller

- ordinary primitive actions:

$goDown(e)$	move elevator down one floor
$goUp(e)$	move elevator up one floor
$buttonReset(n)$	turn off call button of floor n
$toggleFan(e)$	change the state of elevator fan
$ringAlarm$	ring the smoke alarm
- exogenous primitive actions:

$reqElevator(n)$	call button on floor n is pushed
$changeTemp(e)$	the elevator temperature changes
$detectSmoke$	the smoke detector first senses smoke
$resetAlarm$	the smoke alarm is reset
- primitive fluents:

$floor(e, s) = n$	the elevator is on floor n , $1 \leq n \leq 6$
$temp(e, s) = t$	the elevator temperature is t
$FanOn(e, s)$	the elevator fan is on
$ButtonOn(n, s)$	call button on floor n is on
$Smoke(s)$	smoke has been detected

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E.g. Reactive Elevator (cont.)

- defined fluents:

$$TooHot(e, s) \stackrel{def}{=} temp(e, s) > 3$$

$$TooCold(e, s) \stackrel{def}{=} temp(e, s) < -3$$
- initial state:

$$floor(e, S_0) = 1 \quad \neg FanOn(e, S_0) \quad temp(e, S_0) = 0$$

$$ButtonOn(3, S_0) \quad ButtonOn(6, S_0)$$
- exogenous actions:

$$\forall a. Exo(a) \equiv a = detectSmoke \vee a = resetAlarm \vee$$

$$\exists e a = changeTemp(e) \vee \exists n a = reqElevator(n)$$
- precondition axioms:

$$Poss(goDown(e), s) \equiv floor(e, s) \neq 1$$

$$Poss(goUp(e), s) \equiv floor(e, s) \neq 6$$

$$Poss(buttonReset(n), s) \equiv True, \quad Poss(toggleFan(e), s) \equiv True$$

$$Poss(reqElevator(n), s) \equiv (1 \leq n \leq 6) \wedge \neg ButtonOn(n, s)$$

$$Poss(ringAlarm) \equiv True, \quad Poss(changeTemp, s) \equiv True$$

$$Poss(detectSmoke, s) \equiv \neg Smoke(s), \quad Poss(resetAlarm, s) \equiv Smoke(s)$$

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E.g. Reactive Elevator (cont.)

- successor state axioms:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{floor}(e, \text{do}(a, s)) = n &\equiv \\
 &(a = \text{goDown}(e) \wedge n = \text{floor}(e, s) - 1) \vee \\
 &(a = \text{goUp}(e) \wedge n = \text{floor}(e, s) + 1) \vee \\
 &(n = \text{floor}(e, s) \wedge a \neq \text{goDown}(e) \wedge a \neq \text{goUp}(e)) \\
 \text{temp}(e, \text{do}(a, s)) = t &\equiv \\
 &(a = \text{changeTemp}(e) \wedge \text{FanOn}(e, s) \wedge t = \text{temp}(e, s) - 1) \vee \\
 &(a = \text{changeTemp}(e) \wedge \neg \text{FanOn}(e, s) \wedge t = \text{temp}(e, s) + 1) \vee \\
 &(t = \text{temp}(e, s) \wedge a \neq \text{changeTemp}(e)) \\
 \text{FanOn}(e, \text{do}(a, s)) &\equiv \\
 &(a = \text{toggleFan}(e) \wedge \neg \text{FanOn}(e, s)) \vee \\
 &(a \neq \text{toggleFan}(e) \wedge \text{FanOn}(e, s)) \\
 \text{ButtonOn}(n, \text{do}(a, s)) &\equiv \\
 &a = \text{reqElevator}(n) \vee \text{ButtonOn}(n, s) \wedge a \neq \text{buttonReset}(n) \\
 \text{Smoke}(\text{do}(a, s)) &\equiv \\
 &a = \text{detectSmoke} \vee \text{Smoke}(s) \wedge a \neq \text{resetAlarm}
 \end{aligned}$$

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E.g. Reactive Elevator (cont.)

In Golog, might write elevator controller as follows:

```

proc controlG(e)
  while  $\exists n. \text{ButtonOn}(n)$  do
     $\pi n [\text{BestButton}(n)?; \text{serveFloor}(e, n)];$ 
  endWhile
  while  $\text{floor}(e) \neq 1$  do  $\text{goDown}(e)$  endWhile
endProc

proc serveFloor(e, n)
  while  $\text{floor}(e) < n$  do  $\text{goUp}(e)$  endWhile;
  while  $\text{floor}(e) > n$  do  $\text{goDown}(e)$  endWhile;
   $\text{buttonReset}(n)$ 
endProc

```

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E.g. Reactive Elevator (cont.)

Using this controller, get execution traces like:

$$Ax \models Do(controlG(e), S_0, \\ do([u, u, r_3, u, u, u, r_6, d, d, d, d, d], S_0))$$

where $u = goUp(e)$, $d = goDown(e)$, $r_n = buttonReset(n)$
(no exogenous actions in this run).

Problem with this: at end, elevator goes to ground floor
and stops even if buttons are pushed.

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E.g. Reactive Elevator (cont.)

Better solution in ConGolog, use interrupts:

$$\langle \exists n ButtonOn(n) \rightarrow \\ \pi, n [BestButton(n)?; serveFloor(e, n)] \rangle \\ \rangle \\ \langle floor(e) \neq 1 \rightarrow goDown(e) \rangle$$

Easy to extend to handle emergency requests. Add
following at higher priority:

$$\langle \exists n EButtonOn(n) \rightarrow \\ \pi n [EButtonOn(n)?; serveEFloor(e, n)] \rangle$$

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E.g. Reactive Elevator (cont.)

If we also want to control the fan, as well as ring the alarm and only serve emergency requests when there is smoke, we write:

```
proc control(e)
  (<TooHot(e) ∧ ¬FanOn(e) → toggleFan(e)> ||
   <TooCold(e) ∧ FanOn(e) → toggleFan(e)>) ||
  <∃n EButtonOn(n) →
   π n [EButtonOn(n)?; serveEFloor(e, n)]> ||
  <Smoke → ringAlarm> ||
  <∃n ButtonOn(n) →
   π n [BestButton(n)?; serveFloor(e, n)]> ||
  <floor(e) ≠ 1 → goDown(e)>
endProc
```

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E.g. Reactive Elevator (cont.)

To control a single elevator E_1 , we write $control(E_1)$.

To control n elevators, we can simply write:

$$control(E_1) \parallel \dots \parallel control(E_n)$$

Note that priority ordering over processes is only a partial order.

In some cases, want unbounded number of instances of a process running in parallel. E.g. FTP server with a manager process for each active FTP session. Can be programmed using concurrent iteration δ .

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An Evaluation Semantics for Golog

In [LRLLS97], $Do(\delta, s, s')$ is simply viewed as an abbreviation for a formula of the sit. calc.; defined inductively as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 Do(a, s, s') &\stackrel{def}{=} Poss(a[s], s) \wedge s' = do(a[s], s) \\
 Do(\phi?, s, s') &\stackrel{def}{=} \phi[s] \wedge s = s' \\
 Do(\delta_1; \delta_2, s, s') &\stackrel{def}{=} \exists s''. Do(\delta_1, s, s'') \wedge Do(\delta_2, s'', s') \\
 Do(\delta_1 \mid \delta_2, s, s') &\stackrel{def}{=} Do(\delta_1, s, s') \vee Do(\delta_2, s, s') \\
 Do(\pi x, \delta(x), s, s') &\stackrel{def}{=} \exists x. Do(\delta(x), s, s')
 \end{aligned}$$

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Golog Evaluation Semantics (cont.)

$$\begin{aligned}
 Do(\delta^*, s, s') &\stackrel{def}{=} \forall P. \{ \forall s_1. P(s_1, s_1) \wedge \\
 &\quad \forall s_1, s_2, s_3. [P(s_1, s_2) \wedge Do(\delta, s_2, s_3) \supset P(s_1, s_3)] \} \\
 &\quad \supset P(s, s').
 \end{aligned}$$

i.e., doing action δ zero or more times takes you from s to s' iff (s, s') is in every set (and thus, the smallest set) s.t.:

1. (s_1, s_1) is in the set for all situations s_1 .
2. Whenever (s_1, s_2) is in the set, and doing δ in situation s_2 takes you to situation s_3 , then (s_1, s_3) is in the set.

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Golog Evaluation Semantics (cont.)

The above is the standard 2nd-order way of expressing this set. Must use 2nd-order logic because transitive closure is not 1st-order definable.

For procedures (more complex) see [LRLLS97].

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A Transition Semantics for ConGolog

Can develop Golog-style semantics for ConGolog with $Do(\delta, s, s')$ as a macro, but makes handling prioritized concurrency difficult.

So define a *computational semantics* based on *transition systems*, a fairly standard approach in the theory of programming languages [NN92]. First define relations *Trans* and *Final*.

$Trans(\delta, s, \delta', s')$ means that

$$(\delta, s) \rightarrow (\delta', s')$$

by executing a single primitive action or wait action.

$Final(\delta, s)$ means that in configuration (δ, s) , the computation may be considered completed.

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ConGolog Transition Semantics (cont.)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Trans}(\text{nil}, s, \delta, s') &\equiv \text{False} \\ \text{Trans}(\alpha, s, \delta, s') &\equiv \\ &\quad \text{Poss}(\alpha[s], s) \wedge \delta = \text{nil} \wedge s' = \text{do}(\alpha[s], s) \\ \text{Trans}(\phi?, s, \delta, s') &\equiv \phi[s] \wedge \delta = \text{nil} \wedge s' = s \\ \text{Trans}([\delta_1; \delta_2], s, \delta, s') &\equiv \\ &\quad \text{Final}(\delta_1, s) \wedge \text{Trans}(\delta_2, s, \delta, s') \quad \vee \\ &\quad \exists \delta'. \delta = (\delta'; \delta_2) \wedge \text{Trans}(\delta_1, s, \delta', s') \\ \text{Trans}([\delta_1 \mid \delta_2], s, \delta, s') &\equiv \\ &\quad \text{Trans}(\delta_1, s, \delta, s') \vee \text{Trans}(\delta_2, s, \delta, s') \\ \text{Trans}(\pi x \delta, s, \delta, s') &\equiv \exists x. \text{Trans}(\delta, s, \delta, s') \end{aligned}$$

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ConGolog Transition Semantics (cont.)

Here, *Trans* and *Final* are predicates that take programs as arguments. So need to introduce terms that denote programs (reify programs). In 3rd axiom, ϕ is term that denotes formula; $\phi[s]$ stands for *Holds*(ϕ, s), which is true iff formula denoted by ϕ is true in s . Details in [DLL00].

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ConGolog Transition Semantics (cont.)

$$\begin{aligned}
Trans(\delta^*, s, \delta, s') &\equiv \exists \delta'. \delta = (\delta'; \delta^*) \wedge Trans(\delta, s, \delta', s') \\
Trans(\mathbf{if} \phi \mathbf{then} \delta_1 \mathbf{else} \delta_2 \mathbf{endIf}, s, \delta, s') &\equiv \\
&\quad \phi(s) \wedge Trans(\delta_1, s, \delta, s') \vee \neg \phi(s) \wedge Trans(\delta_2, s, \delta, s') \\
Trans(\mathbf{while} \phi \mathbf{do} \delta \mathbf{endWhile}, s, \delta', s') &\equiv \phi(s) \wedge \\
&\quad \exists \delta''. \delta' = (\delta''; \mathbf{while} \phi \mathbf{do} \delta \mathbf{endWhile}) \wedge Trans(\delta, s, \delta'', s') \\
Trans([\delta_1 \parallel \delta_2], s, \delta, s') &\equiv \exists \delta'. \\
&\quad \delta = (\delta' \parallel \delta_2) \wedge Trans(\delta_1, s, \delta', s') \vee \\
&\quad \delta = (\delta_1 \parallel \delta') \wedge Trans(\delta_2, s, \delta', s') \\
Trans([\delta_1 \gg \delta_2], s, \delta, s') &\equiv \exists \delta'. \\
&\quad \delta = (\delta' \gg \delta_2) \wedge Trans(\delta_1, s, \delta', s') \vee \\
&\quad \delta = (\delta_1 \gg \delta') \wedge Trans(\delta_2, s, \delta', s') \wedge \\
&\quad \neg \exists \delta'', s''. Trans(\delta_1, s, \delta'', s'') \\
Trans(\delta^\parallel, s, \delta', s') &\equiv \\
&\quad \exists \delta''. \delta' = (\delta'' \parallel \delta^\parallel) \wedge Trans(\delta, s, \delta'', s')
\end{aligned}$$

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ConGolog Transition Semantics (cont.)

$$\begin{aligned}
Final(nil, s) &\equiv True \\
Final(\alpha, s) &\equiv False \\
Final(\phi?, s) &\equiv False \\
Final([\delta_1; \delta_2], s) &\equiv Final(\delta_1, s) \wedge Final(\delta_2, s) \\
Final([\delta_1 \mid \delta_2], s) &\equiv Final(\delta_1, s) \vee Final(\delta_2, s) \\
Final(\pi x \delta, s) &\equiv \exists x. Final(\delta, s) \\
Final(\delta^*, s) &\equiv True \\
Final(\mathbf{if} \phi \mathbf{then} \delta_1 \mathbf{else} \delta_2 \mathbf{endIf}, s) &\equiv \\
&\quad \phi(s) \wedge Final(\delta_1, s) \vee \neg \phi(s) \wedge Final(\delta_2, s) \\
Final(\mathbf{while} \phi \mathbf{do} \delta \mathbf{endWhile}, s) &\equiv \\
&\quad \phi(s) \wedge Final(\delta, s) \vee \neg \phi(s) \\
Final([\delta_1 \parallel \delta_2], s) &\equiv Final(\delta_1, s) \wedge Final(\delta_2, s) \\
Final([\delta_1 \gg \delta_2], s) &\equiv Final(\delta_1, s) \wedge Final(\delta_2, s) \\
Final(\delta^\parallel, s) &\equiv True
\end{aligned}$$

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ConGolog Transition Semantics (cont.)

Then, define relation $Do(\delta, s, s')$ meaning that process δ , when executed starting in situation s , has s' as a legal terminating situation:

$$Do(\delta, s, s') \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \exists \delta'. Trans^*(\delta, s, \delta', s') \wedge Final(\delta', s')$$

where $Trans^*$ is the transitive closure of $Trans$.

That is, $Do(\delta, s, s')$ holds iff the starting configuration (δ, s) can evolve into a configuration (δ, s') by doing a finite number of transitions and $Final(\delta, s')$.

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ConGolog Transition Semantics (cont.)

$$Trans^*(\delta, s, \delta', s') \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \forall T[\dots \supset T(\delta, s, \delta', s')]$$

where the ellipsis stands for:

$$\begin{aligned} & \forall s. T(\delta, s, \delta, s) \quad \wedge \\ & \forall s, \delta', s', \delta'', s''. T(\delta, s, \delta', s') \wedge \\ & \quad Trans(\delta', s', \delta'', s'') \supset T(\delta, s, \delta'', s''). \end{aligned}$$

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Interrupts

Interrupts can be defined in terms of other constructs:

$$\langle \phi \rightarrow \delta \rangle \stackrel{def}{=} \text{while } \textit{Interrupts_running} \text{ do} \\ \text{if } \phi \text{ then } \delta \text{ else } \textit{False?} \text{ endIf} \\ \text{endWhile}$$

Uses special fluent *Interrupts_running*.

To execute a program δ containing interrupts, actually execute:

$$\textit{start_interrupts}; (\delta \gg) \textit{stop_interrupts}$$

This stops blocked interrupt loops in δ at lowest priority, i.e., when there are no more actions in δ that can be executed.

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Implementation in Prolog

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trans(act(A),S,nil,do(AS,S)) :- sub(now,S,A,AS), poss(AS,S).

trans(test(C),S,nil,S) :- holds(C,S).

trans(seq(P1,P2),S,P2r,Sr) :- final(P1,S),trans(P2,S,P2r,Sr).
trans(seq(P1,P2),S,seq(P1r,P2),Sr) :- trans(P1,S,P1r,Sr).

trans(choice(P1,P2),S,Pr,Sr) :- trans(P1,S,Pr,Sr) ; trans(P2,S,Pr,Sr).

trans(conc(P1,P2),S,conc(P1r,P2),Sr) :- trans(P1,S,P1r,Sr).
trans(conc(P1,P2),S,conc(P1,P2r),Sr) :- trans(P2,S,P2r,Sr).
...
final(seq(P1,P2),S) :- final(P1,S),final(P2,S).
...

trans*(P,S,P,S).
trans*(P,S,Pr,Sr) :- trans(P,S,PP,SS), trans*(PP,SS,Pr,Sr).

do(P,S,Sr) :- trans*(P,S,Pr,Sr),final(Pr,Sr).
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Prolog Implementation (cont.)

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holds(and(F1,F2),S) :- holds(F1,S), holds(F2,S).
holds(or(F1,F2),S) :- holds(F1,S); holds(F2,S).
holds(neg(and(F1,F2)),S) :- holds(or(neg(F1),neg(F2)),S).
holds(neg(or(F1,F2)),S) :- holds(and(neg(F1),neg(F2)),S).
holds(some(V,F),S) :- sub(V,_,F,Fr), holds(Fr,S).
holds(neg(some(V,F)),S) :- not holds(some(V,F),S). /* Negation as failure */
...
holds(P_Xs,S) :-
    P_Xs\=and(_,_),P_Xs\=or(_,_),P_Xs\=neg(_),P_Xs\=all(_,_),P_Xs\=some(_._),
    sub(now,S,P_Xs,P_XsS), P_XsS.
holds(neg(P_Xs),S) :-
    P_Xs\=and(_,_),P_Xs\=or(_,_),P_Xs\=neg(_),P_Xs\=all(_,_),P_Xs\=some(_._),
    sub(now,S,P_Xs,P_XsS), not P_XsS. /* Negation as failure */
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Note: makes closed-world assumption; must have complete knowledge!

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Implemented E.g. 2 Robots Lifting Table

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/* Precondition axioms */

poss(grab(Rob,E),S) :- not holding(_,E,S), not holding(Rob,_,S).
poss(release(Rob,E),S) :- holding(Rob,E,S).
poss(vmove(Rob,Amount),S) :- true.

/* Successor state axioms */

val(vpos(E,do(A,S)),V) :-
    (A=vmove(Rob,Amt), holding(Rob,E,S), val(vpos(E,S),V1), V is V1+Amt);
    (A=release(Rob,E), V=0) ;
    (val(vpos(E,S),V), not((A=vmove(Rob,Amt), holding(Rob,E,S))),
        A\=release(Rob,E)).

holding(Rob,E,do(A,S)) :-
    A=grab(Rob,E) ; (holding(Rob,E,S), A\=release(Rob,E)).
```

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Implemented E.g. 2 Robots (cont.)

```
/* Defined Fluents */

tableUp(S) :- val(vpos(end1,S),V1), V1 >= 3, val(vpos(end2,S),V2), V2 >= 3.

safeToLift(Rob,Amount,Tol,S) :-
    tableEnd(E1), tableEnd(E2), E2\=E1, holding(Rob,E1,S),
    val(vpos(E1,S),V1), val(vpos(E2,S),V2), V1 =< V2+Tol-Amount.

/* Initial state */

val(vpos(end1,s0),0).      /* plus by CWA:      */
val(vpos(end2,s0),0).      /*                    */
tableEnd(end1).           /* not holding(rob1,_,s0) */
tableEnd(end2).           /* not holding(rob2,_,s0) */
```

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Implemented E.g. 2 Robots (cont.)

```
/* Control procedures */

proc(ctrl(Rob,Amount,Tol),
    seq(pick(e,seq(test(tableEnd(e)),act(grab(Rob,e)))),
        while(neg(tableUp(now)),
            seq(test(safeToLift(Rob,Amount,Tol,now)),
                act(vmove(Rob,Amount)))))).

proc(jointLiftTable,
    conc(pcall(ctrl(rob1,1,2)), pcall(ctrl(rob2,1,2)))).
```

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Running 2 Robots E.g.

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?- do(pcall(jointLiftTable),s0,S).
```

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S = do(vmove(rob2,1), do(vmove(rob1,1), do(vmove(rob2,1), do(vmove(rob1,1),  
do(vmove(rob2,1), do(grab(rob2,end2), do(vmove(rob1,1), do(vmove(rob1,1),  
do(grab(rob1,end1), s0)))))))))) ;
```

```
S = do(vmove(rob2,1), do(vmove(rob1,1), do(vmove(rob2,1), do(vmove(rob1,1),  
do(vmove(rob2,1), do(grab(rob2,end2), do(vmove(rob1,1), do(vmove(rob1,1),  
do(grab(rob1,end1), s0)))))))))) ;
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S = do(vmove(rob1,1), do(vmove(rob2,1), do(vmove(rob2,1), do(vmove(rob1,1),  
do(vmove(rob2,1), do(grab(rob2,end2), do(vmove(rob1,1), do(vmove(rob1,1),  
do(grab(rob1,end1), s0))))))))))
```

Yes

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