

CS 6260 Automated Planning and Learning

PDDL 1.2 Features

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Logistics

Announcements

- Office Hours (in SSB 304)
 - Every Tu/We/Th: For one hour after the class starting March 10.
 - Exception Next Week:
 - Office Hours for 2 hours on Tuesday (12:00 pm – 02:00 pm)
 - No class and no office hours on We/Th.
- No classes from Feb 23 – Mar 06.
 - Will post video material to watch.
 - Q/A session and Quick Recap on March 10 (and March 11, if needed).
- Will release Assignment1 and Practice Quiz over the weekend.
 - Quiz solutions will be released on Monday (Feb 15).

Recap: STRIPS

STRIPS-like PDDL

```
(:predicates (on ?x ?y)
  (ontable ?x)
  (clear ?x)
  (handempty)
  (holding ?x)
)
```



Predicates: Used to define state space of the environment when grounded with objects

```
(:action pick-up
  :parameters (?x)
  :precondition
    (and (clear ?x)
      (ontable ?x)
      (handempty))
  :effect
    (and (not (ontable ?x))
      (not (clear ?x))
      (not (handempty))
      (holding ?x))
)
```



Precondition: This condition must be true for this action to execute



Effect: This is a set of conditions, one of which becomes true when this action is executed (like add/delete effects in STRIPS)

Requirements

```
(define (domain BLOCKS)
  (:requirements :strips)
  (:predicates (on ?x ?y)
               (ontable ?x)
               (clear ?x)
               (handempty)
               (holding ?x)
               )
)
```



Requirements??

Features of PDDL supported by this domain file

PDDL 1.2 Features

Refer to this document for PDDL 1.2 details:

<https://www.cs.cmu.edu/~mmv/planning/readings/98aips-PDDL.pdf>

Additional Info: <https://planning.wiki/ref/pddl>

:typing

```
(:requirements :strips :typing)
(:predicates (on ?x ?y)
              (ontable ?x)
              (clear ?x)
              (handempty)
              (holding ?x)
              )
```

```
(:requirements :strips :typing)
(:types BLOCKS)
(:predicates
  |
  | (on ?x - BLOCKS ?y - BLOCKS)
  | (ontable ?x - BLOCKS)
  | (clear ?x - BLOCKS)
  | (handempty)
  | (holding ?x - BLOCKS)
  )
```

:typing

- Also supports hierarchies of objects.

```
(:requirements :strips :typing)
(:types PACK TRUCK DRIVER - OBJ
         LOCATION)
```

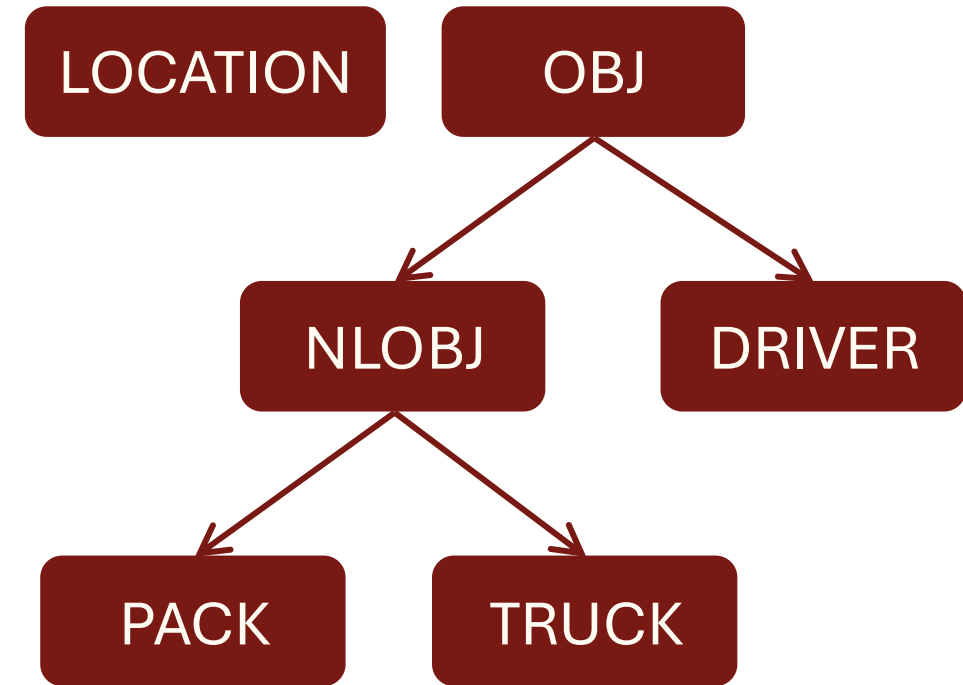
- Advantage of typing?
 - Can define predicates over multiple types.

```
(at ?obj - OBJ ?loc - LOCATION)
```

:typing

- Also supports nested hierarchies of objects.

```
(:requirements :strips :typing)  
; NLOBJ stands for "Non-Living Object"  
(:types PACK TRUCK - NLOBJ  
      NLOBJ DRIVER - OBJ  
      LOCATION)
```



:typing

- Hands-on exercise: Convert the **driverlog** domain from non-typed to typed.

- Access the modified domain and problem here:

https://editor.planning.domains/#read_session=miDI920bVw

:disjunctive-preconditions

```
(:action move
  :parameters
    (?robot ?room1 ?room2 ?door1 ?door2)
  :precondition (and
    (in ?robot ?room1)
    (adjacent ?room1 ?room2)
    (or
      (open ?door1)
      (open ?door2)
    ))
  :effect (and
    (in ?robot ?room2)
    (not (in ?robot ?room1)))
)
```

Equivalent to two different actions
(as we saw earlier)

:equality

```
(:action move
  :parameters
    (?robot ?room1 ?room2 ?door1 ?door2)
  :precondition (and
    (not (= ?door1 ?door2))
    (not (= ?room1 ?room2))
    (in ?robot ?room1)
    (adjacent ?room1 ?room2)
    (or
      (open ?door1)
      (open ?door2)
    ))
  :effect (and
    (in ?robot ?room2)
    (not (in ?robot ?room1)))
)
```

:existential-precondition

```
(:action move
  :parameters
    (?robot ?room1 ?room2 ?door1 ?door2)
  :precondition (and
    (not (= ?door1 ?door2))
    (not (= ?room1 ?room2))
    (in ?robot ?room1)
    (adjacent ?room1 ?room2)
    (or
      _____ (open ?door1)
      _____ (open ?door2)
      _____ ))
  :effect (and
    (in ?robot ?room2)
    (not (in ?robot ?room1)))
)
```

Allows **exists** clause in
precondition and goal

:existential-precondition

```
(:action move
  :parameters
    (?robot ?room1 ?room2 ?door1 ?door2)
  :precondition (and
    (in ?robot ?room1)
    (adjacent ?room1 ?room2)
    (exists (?d - DOOR)
      (open ?d)
    ))
  :effect (and
    (in ?robot ?room2)
    (not (in ?robot ?room1)))
)
```

Allows **exists** clause in
precondition and goal

Typically not used in planners.
Better to add additional parameters

:universal-preconditions

```
(:action open-room
  :parameters
    (?robot ?room ?door1 ?door2)
  :precondition (and
    (not (in ?robot ?room))
    (forall (?d - DOOR)
      (closed ?d)
    ))
  :effect (and
    ;; something to do
  )
)
```

Allows **forall** clause in
precondition and goal

:quantified-preconditions

Equivalent to adding both existential and universal preconditions (and goals)

(:requirements :quantified-preconditions)

=

(:requirements :existential-preconditions
:universal-preconditions)

:conditional-effects

```
(:action lock-room
  :parameters
    (?robot ?room ?door1 ?door2)
  :precondition (and
    ;; check something
  )
  :effect (when
    ; Antecedent
    (and
      (is locked ?door1)
      (is locked ?door2)
    )
    ; Consequence
    (and (need-key)))
)
```

:adl

- Stands for “Action Description Language”
- Equivalent to adding a lot of features

```
(:requirements :adl) = (:requirements
                        :strips
                        :typing
                        :equality
                        :disjunctive-preconditions
                        :quantified-preconditions
                        :conditional-effects
                        )
```