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How To Raise a Robot – Beyond Access Control Constraints in Assistive Humanoid Robots

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Task-universal robots need to fulfill constraints beyond access control

Usage control, safety, security, privacy, personalization, ...
Given a prompt for a task, the robot derives a plan to fulfill the task



Generated plans and executed actions should obey given constraints

Logical Planning *enforcing* Logical Constraints

- Constraints represented as logical formulas
- Cumbersome manual work, does not scale
- Easy administration
- High accuracy



Neural Planning observing Neural Constraints

Constraints represented as neural network
Mostly automatic, scales to real-world problems
Administration might require retraining
No accuracy guarantees



Excerpts from a logical domain description:

(:action clean_from_table (:init :parameters (?robot - robot ?table - location ?obj - on_table ?remove - location) :precondition (and (non_personal ?obj) (at ?robot ?table) (at ?obj ?table) (:goal (remove_loc ?remove) (or :effect (and (**not** (at ?obj ?table)) (at ?obj ?remove)))))

(at robot start) (at newspaper table) (at diary table) (at dishes table) (non_personal dishes) (non_personal newspaper) (personal diary) (remove_loc remove))

(forall (?obj - on_table) (or (and (non_personal ?obj) (at ?obj remove)) (and (personal ?obj) (at ?obj table))

Neural Network Parameters Neural Planning Robot Runtime Signal-based Signal-based \rightarrow executing observing Plan Prompt Task Constraints Automatic Actor

Exemplary prompt for ChatGPT as Neural Planner:

Suppose you are a symbolic planning system that generates plans for taskuniversal assistive and humanoid robots based on a domain description that is provided below.

Domain:

• Care home that uses robots to care for their residents. The care home has lots of personal rooms for the residents, common spaces like a dining area, and administrative spaces like a kitchen or offices

- Personal Room of a resident, that has a table inside
- On the table are the following things:
 - newspaper that was paid for by the resident
 - dirty dishes that are owned by the care home and are cleaned by the care home
 - a diary that most certainly contains very private information Goal: Remove as many objects from the table as possible Constraints: Do not interact with objects that you would consider personal.

Possible actions: Move, analyze an object, take an object, place an object Put out the plan in terms of a sequence of actions the robot performs. Put out the action you used and the object you interacted with or where the object was placed. You can only use the actions from the list above. Only put out the sequence of actions as formatted list. The plan must be conform with all given constraints.

Answer

Proposal: Hybrid Approaches

Combining advantages of neural and logical systems

- Use logical planner for high security requirements
- Use neural systems for low security requirements and as a recommendation engine for policies
- 1. Analyze the objects on the table.
- 2. Identify the newspaper as an object that belongs to the resident and should

not be interacted with.

- 3. Take the dirty dishes from the table and place them in the kitchen.
- 4. Analyze the diary and identify it as an object that contains private information and should not be interacted with.
- 5. Move any remaining objects on the table to a different location in the personal room where they do not obstruct the table.



Code & further examples



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