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Programming organisational agents with $\mathcal{M}OISE^+$ & Jason

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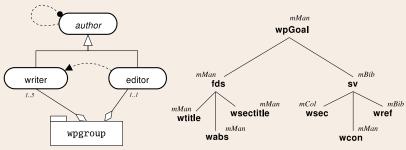


Proposal

- Programming agents with a high abstraction level
 - AgentSpeak
 - BDI agents (reactive planning)
- Enable the programmer to state when the agent should adopt a role, a mission, ...
- Enable the agents to access organisational information
- Use Jason (open-source interpreter of AgentSpeak, developed by Rafael Bordini and Jomi Hübner)



\mathcal{M} OISE $^+$ by example: "writing a paper"



(a) Structural Specification

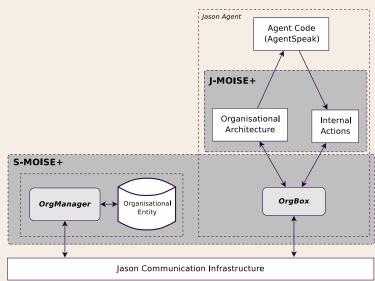
(b) Functional Specification

editor	permission	mMan
writer	obligation	mCol
writer	obligation	mBib

(c) Deontic Specification



General view



Organisational Actions in AgentSpeak 1

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Example (AgentSpeak plan)
+some_event : some_context
<- jmoise.create_group(wpgroup).</pre>
```

Some available Organisational Actions:

- For groups:
 - o create_group(<GrSpecId>[,<GrId>])
 - o remove_group(<GrId>)
- For schemes:
 - o create_scheme(<SchSpecId> [, <responsible
 groups>])
 - o add_responsible_group(<SchId>,<GrId>)
 - o remove_scheme(<SchId>)
 - o set_goal_state(<SchId>,<Goal>,<State>)

Organisational Actions in AgentSpeak II

- For Agents:
 - o adopt_role(<RoleId>,<GrId>)
 - o remove_role(<RoleId>,<GrId>)
 - o commit_mission(<MisId>,<SchId>)
 - o remove_mission([<MisId>,] <SchId>)
- OrgManager will perform those actions in case they are consistent, e.g. the adoption of role is contrained by
 - the cardinality of the role in the group
 - the compatibilities of the roles played by the agent



Handling Organisational Events in AgentSpeak

Whenever something changes in the organisation, the organisation architecture updates the agent belief base accordingly.

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Example (A new group is created)
+group(wpgroup,GId) : true
  <- jmoise.adopt_role(editor,GId).
or
+group(wpgroup,GId)[owner(0)] : my_friend(0)
  <- jmoise.adopt_role(editor,GId).
```

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Example (Some group is destroyed)
-group(wpgroup,GId) <- .print("Group removed!").</pre>
```

Available Organisational Events I

- o +/group(< GrSpecId >,< GrId >)[owner(< AgName >)]:
 perceived by all agents when a group is created (event +) or
 removed (event -) by AgName.
- +/- play(< AgName >, < RoleId >, < GrId >):
 perceived by the agents of GrId when an agent adopts (event +) or remove (event -) a role in group GrId.
- +/- commitment(< AgName >, < Misld >, < SchId >): perceived by the SchId players when an agent commits or removes a commitment to a mission Misld in scheme SchId.



Available Organisational Events II

- +/scheme(< SchSpecId >,< SchId >)[owner(< AgName >)]:
 perceived by all agents when a scheme is created (+) or
 finished (-) by AgName.
- + scheme_group(< Schld >,< Grld >): perceived by Grld players when this group becomes responsible for the scheme Schld.
- + goal_state(< SchId >, < GoalId >, < State >):
 perceived by SchId players when the state of some goal
 changes.

Available Organisational Events III

+ permission(< SchId >, < MisId >)
[role(< RoleId >),group(< GrId >)]:



Achieving Organisational Goals

An achievement goal event (+!g) is create when an organisational goal g is permitted.

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Example (Organisational goal)
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If an agent is committed to a mission with goal wsec, whenever this goal is possible (all its pre-condition goals are satisfied), the following plan may be selected:

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+!wsec[scheme(Sch)]
  : commitment(A, mBib, Sch)
  <- ..... actions to write the section .....;
     .send(A,tell,[references]);
     jmoise.set_goal_state(Sch, wsec, satisfied).
```

The context of this plan uses organisational information to constraint its execution.

Execution sample I

```
jaime action: jmoise.create_group(wpgroup)
   all perception: group(wpgroup,g1)[owner(jaime)]
jaime action: jmoise.adopt_role(editor,g1)
olivier action: jmoise.adopt_role(writer,g1)
 jomi action: jmoise.adopt_role(writer,g1)
   all perception:
       play(jaime,editor,g1)
       play(olivier, writer, g1)
       play(jomi,writer,g1)
```

Execution sample II

```
jaime action: imoise.create_scheme(writePaperSch, [g1])
   all perception: scheme(writePaperSch,s1)[owner(jaime)]
   all perception: scheme_group(s1,g1)
jaime perception:
       permission(s1,mManager)[role(editor),group(wpgroup)]
jaime action: imoise.commit_mission(mManager,s1)
olivier perception:
      obligation(s1,mColaborator)[role(writer),group(wpgroup),
      obligation(s1,mBib)[role(writer),group(wpgroup)
olivier action: jmoise.commit_mission(mColaborator,s1)
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olivier action: jmoise.commit_mission(mBib,s1)

Execution sample III

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jomi perception:
     obligation(s1,mColaborator)[role(writer),group(wpgroup),
     obligation(s1,mBib)[role(writer),group(wpgroup)]
jomi action: jmoise.commit_mission(mColaborator,s1)
     perception:
     commitment(jaime,mManager,s1)
     commitment(olivier, mColaborator, s1)
     commitment(olivier, mBib,s1)
     commitment(jomi, mColaborator, s1)
```

Execution sample IV

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all perception: goal_state(s1,*,unsatisfied)
jaime goal: wtitle
       action: jmoise.set_goal_state(s1,wtitle,satisfied)
       (after each set_goal_state all agents have theirs
       beliefs updated)
jaime goal: wabs
       action: jmoise.set_goal_state(s1,wabs,satisfied)
jaime goal: wsectitles
       action: jmoise.set_goal_state(s1,wsectitles,satisfied)
jaime goal: fdv
       action: jmoise.set_goal_state(s1,fdv,satisfied)
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Execution sample V

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olivier goal: wsecs
       action: imoise.set_goal_state(s1,wsecs,satisfied)
 jomi goal: wsecs
       action: jmoise.set_goal_state(s1,wsecs,satisfied)
jaime goal: wcon
       action: jmoise.set_goal_state(s1,wcon,satisfied)
olivier goal: wref
       action: jmoise.set_goal_state(s1,wref,satisfied)
olivier action: jmoise.set_goal_state(s1,sv,satisfied)
jaime goal: wpGoal
       action: imoise.set_goal_state(s1,wpGoal,satisfied)
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Execution sample VI

all action: jmoise.remove_mission(s1)

jaime action: jmoise.jmoise.remove_scheme(s1)



Demo

- Agents' sources
- Application Execution
- Debugging



Summary

- \circ A tool to program $\mathcal{M}{ ext{OISE}^+}$ agents
 - Logic
 - BDI
 - AgentSpeak
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 - OrgManager
 - Organisational actions
 - Organisational events
- An implementation is available at http://jason.sourceforge.net



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