

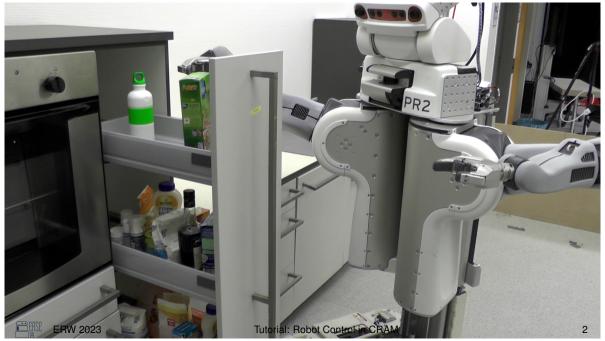
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Robot Control in CRAM

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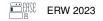




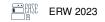


Into the cloud

How to set up a system fast?



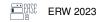




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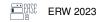




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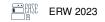


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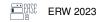






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- Complex and fragile setup takes time
- Documentation has low priority





Into the cloud - Virtualization

How can I make my platform easier accessible?



Available courses









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Applications



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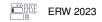
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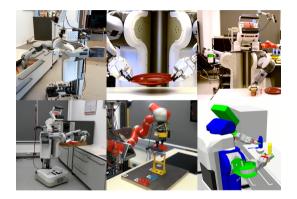
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Motivation



One plan to accomplish all variations of fetch and place:

• different objects, environments, robot platforms, applications.



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Personal robotics	CRAM : Cognitive Robot Abstract Ma- chine	grounding in robot, AI tools, the nuts and bolts of intelligent robotics,	robot application pro- gramming

Raise the conceptual level at which service and personal robot applications are programmed!



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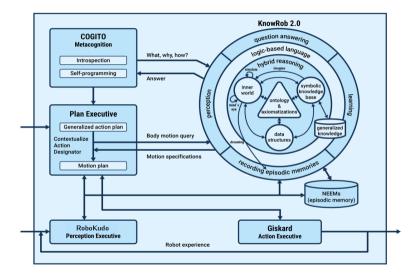
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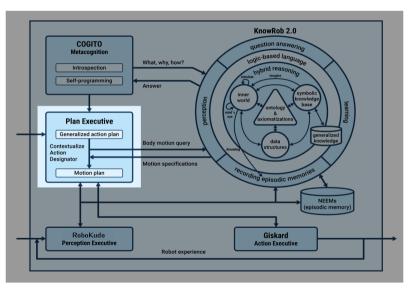


CRAM 2.0 system





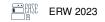
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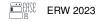


Challenges Tackled by the Plan Executive

- 1 Define which actions to execute to achieve the goal.
- 2 Infer which parameters to use for each action.
- Onitor task execution and react to failures.



Primitives: Motions and Percepts



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Primitives of Mobile Pick and Place for PR2-like Robots

Primitive	Description
moving-base	Move the base to the target pose.
moving-arm	Move the joints of the arm / arms to the target configuration
	in joint, cartesian or constraint space.
moving-finger	Move the joint of the hand / hands to the target joint position.
gripping	Close the hand / hands to grasp an object.
moving-torso	Move the torso joint to the target joint position.
moving-neck	Move the neck to the target configuration or to direct the
	camera gaze to a target pose.
detecting	Detect the described object in the environment and update
	the internal world state with the acquired information.
monitoring-joint-states	Monitor if the joint positions of robot body parts exceed the given threshold.



Parameters of Motion and Perception Primitives

Primitive	Parameters
moving-base	goal_pose,, speed,
moving-arm	goal_pose_for_hand, goal_positions, collisions,
moving-finger	goal_position
gripping	hand, grasping_force, object_properties,
moving-torso	goal_position,
moving-neck	goal_positions, goal_coordinate_to_look_at,
detecting	object_description,
monitoring-joints	joint_name, joint_value, monitoring_function,

Calculating parameter values that maximize success probability: heuristics, learning from experience, imitation learning, ask a human



Choice of Parameter Values is Crucial For Success



• Often very many possible values to choose from

Example: from which side and with which hand to grasp?

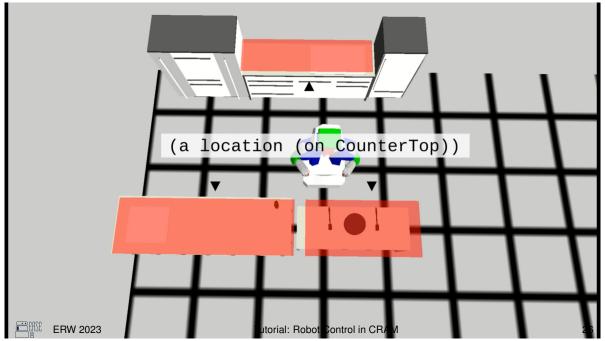


- Effects can be:
 - immediate
 - short-term
 - Iong-term



Designators





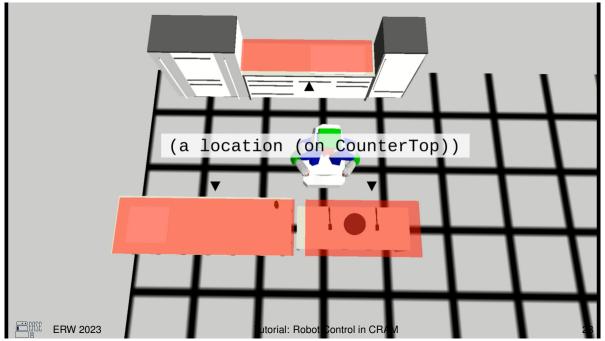
Symbolic entity descriptions

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on-counter-location:
(a location
    (on CounterTop))
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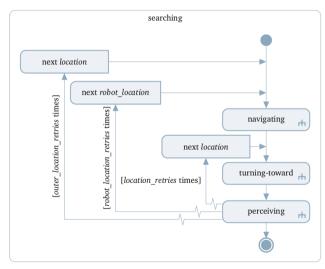
container-object:

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(an object
  (type ContainerBottle)
  (at on-counter-location))
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picking-up-action:
(an action
    (type PickingUp)
    (theme (some stuff (type PancakeMix))
        (object-acted-on container-object))
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Action Designators: Searching



Combining primitives into high-level actions



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Robot Control with PyCRAM

http://cram-system.org/

