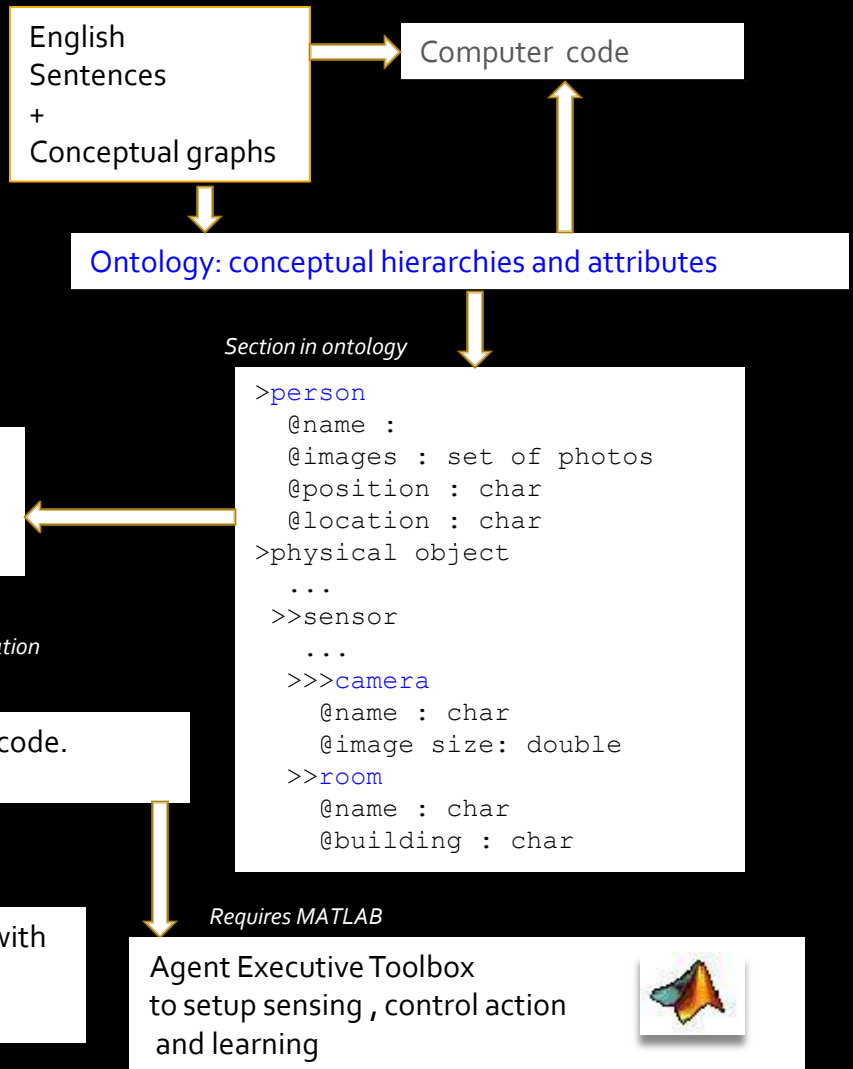


# Why does the use of Cognitive Agent Toolbox results in significant time savings and in more efficient agent programming?

1. Use of system English (sEnglish) connects human concepts of sensing and action to computer code that execute as the robot senses and acts.



This leads to shared knowledge of the world between humans and the machine interpreting sEnglish.

# Why does the use of the Cognitive Agent Toolbox results in significant time savings and in more efficient agent programming and agent operations?

## 2. Belief-desire-intention agents programming in terms of sEnglish sentences

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//c basic rules
^[Analyse message Ms.] :- [ Ms is a new message. ] & [The sender of Ms is trustworthy.].
^[Update world model W by Ms.] :- [Message Ms informs.].
^[Analyse message Ms.] :- [Message Ms requests.].

//c basic plans
+^[Analyse message Ms.]<- [Get the type of message Ms.]; [Interpret message Ms in view of world model W.];
    [Get world change Dws associated with message Ms.];[Update world model W using Ms.];
    [Generate answer Ans to Ms.];
    [Establish whether feasible plan Pla exists to achieve world change Dws using capabilities Cap. ].
//r +^[No plan can achieve Dws.]
//r +^[There is plan Pla to achieve Dws.]
//r +^[World change Dws is desirable.]
...

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Belief-desire-intention agents programming in terms of sEnglish/Jason sentences permits definition of behaviour rules in terms of Prolog like rules in sentences. Plans for goal achievement are stated in sentences with Jason syntax in between sentences.

Notations:

**BLUE** = sEnglish sentences defined in associated sEnglish document

**GREEN** = comments

**RED** = annotations for model checking of the agent/environment hybrid system by MCMAS

3. The ontology/sentences based programming permits the programming of agent operations in high complexity environments.
4. Shared understanding of operations is established between human operators of the system and the agent system itself. Apart from ease of operations, the advantage of shared understanding is crucial for fast efficient joint solutions to be found by the agent(s) and human(s).
5. The agents are able to solve highly complex problems that otherwise are only accessible to humans today.

This leads to an easier to setup and to maintain agent system. In addition, the operators of the agents can get day to day insight why the agents made decisions and actions the way they did. Within bounds operators can also redefine the logic of agents.

# How is an agent class defined in the Cognitive Agent Toolbox ?

**Phase 1.** Use the sEnglish Eclipse plug-in to create the core concepts of your agent class for world modelling . An agent class is all the high level code not implemented yet into an agent individual.

*English specific editing, debugging and compilation buttons*

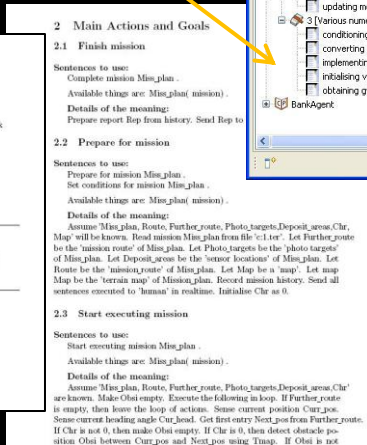
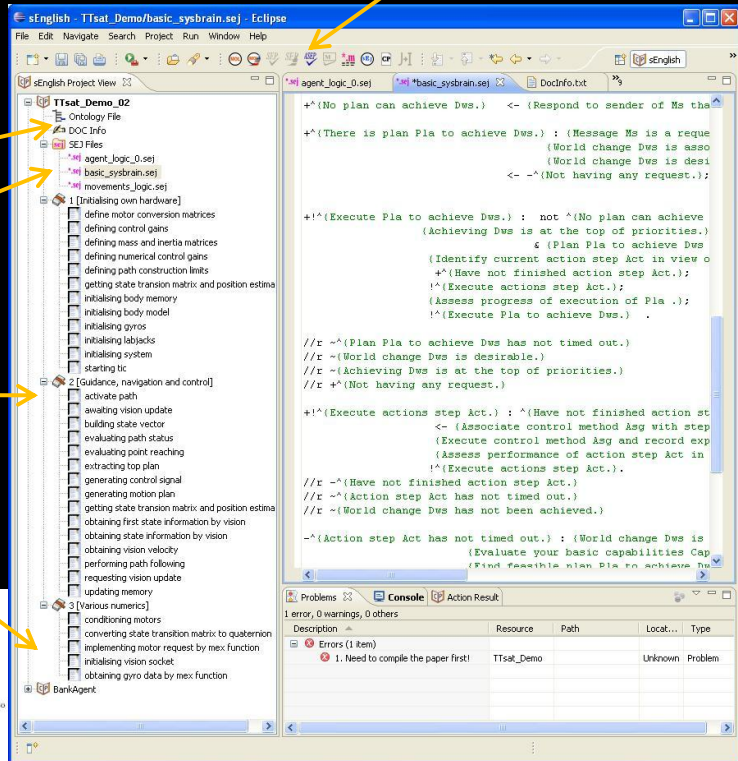
*A single sEnglish document contains all the concepts the agent knows and its logic and physical abilities*

Ontology (.ont file),

sEnglish/Jason logic (.sej files)

and sections/subsections of **sEnglish Document** to store procedural details on sensing and action taking in the physical world in terms of sentence definitions

*Several agents can be edited at the same time*



The edited files compile into .html or .tex LaTeX documents at the click of the CP button in Eclipse.

A first phase of agent-group programming consists of defining the agents in an efficient way in a single document where agent share concepts and some sensing and actions skills executed by sentences (.sep files). This phase also defines the reasoning for goal achievement, planning and execution capabilities of an agent (.sej files).

