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The International Conference on Case-Based Reasoning (ICCBR) is an international meeting on case-based reasoning (CBR) and related research. The conference is organized by the CBR community. The first ICCBR conference was held in Belfast, Northern Ireland, UK, during August 1994. The second ICCBR followed a series of six successful conferences: Sesimbra, Portugal (1995); Providence, Rhode Island, USA (1996); Vancouver, Canada (2001); Chicago, Illinois, USA (2005). The European Conference on Case-Based Reasoning (ECCBR) were held as European workshops in France (1994); Lausanne, Switzerland (1995); and as European conferences in Italy (2000); and as European conferences in Lykia World, Turkey (2004); and Lykia World, Turkey (2005).

Days one, two, and four comprised the main conference. Day three was an applied CBR research. In order to emphasize the importance of CBR in the international industry day was converted into an international industry day in the middle of the conference. Day four was devoted to Reasoning and Context-Awareness, Textual Case-Based Reasoning, Beyond Case-Based Reasoning, and Knowledge-Based Reasoning.

There were four distinguished invited speakers: David W. Aha (Naval Research Laboratory, USA), Hans-Dieter Burkhard (University of Hamburg, Germany) in CBR. Hans-Dieter Burkhard (University of Hamburg, Germany) presented cases in robotic soccer, and Larry Rasmussen (University of Texas at Dallas, USA) presented the role of XML databases in CBR.

The presentations and posters covered a wide range of topics: planning, learning, similarity, maintenance, and diagnosis. This volume includes 15 papers from the conference. The papers were chosen from a total of 64 submitted papers. In addition, the volume contains three invited papers. The papers were chosen based on a thorough and rigorous review and discussed by four reviewers.

There were many people who participated in the conference. David W. Patterson (University of Colorado, USA) was the Chair who had the initiative to propose the conference. The program was diverse, having David C. Wilson (University of Texas at Dallas, USA), Khemani (IIT Madras, India) as co-chair, and Hans-Dieter Burkhard (DFKI, Germany) as the program chair. The program that included Kareem S.

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Intelligent Guidance and Suggestions Using Case-Based Planning

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Abstract. This paper presents a multiagent system that provides guidance on leisure facilities and suggestions for shopping in malls. This paper presents a deliberative agent which incorporates a case based planner that provides suggestions in execution time. This agent is described together with its guidance and suggestion mechanism. The multiagent system has been tested, and the results obtained are presented in this paper.

Keywords: Planning; Learning; Shopping mall multiagent system; RFID.

1 Introduction

A shopping centre is a dynamic environment, in which shops change, promotions appear and disappear continuously, etc. This paper presents a multiagent system, developed for guiding and advising users in Shopping Centres (also known as shopping malls). The proposed system, SHopping MulitAgent System (SHOMAS), helps users to identify a shopping or leisure plan as well as to identify other users within a given shopping mall. SHOMAS is an open wireless multiagent system and users require a wireless device (mobile or PDA) to download their own agent and to interact with the multiagent system. The user agents interact directly with a deliberative Case-Based Planning - Beliefs Desires Intentions (CBP-BDI) guiding agent which uses a case-based reasoning (CBR) [1], [21] architecture, that allows it to respond to events, to take the initiative according to its goals, to communicate with other agents, to interact with users, and to make use of past experiences to find the best plans to achieve goals. Moreover, SHOMAS incorporates Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) [28] technology to ascertain users' location in order to provide security and to optimize their time in the mall.

The core of SHOMAS is the CBP-BDI guiding agent. This particular agent uses a special type of CBR systems which we call Case-Base Planning (CBP) [12] system, specially designed for planning construction. CBP-BDI agent is a deliberative agent that works at a high level with the concepts of Believe, Desire, Intention (BDI) [7].

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