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Task 1

The formalisation of these (pre-)conditions requires the formal representation of the speaker's:

- beliefs about the task and about the dialogue;
- commitments, willingness and abilities to perform certain actions;
- goals that can be achieved by means of dialogue acts;
- assumptions about what addressees know and do not know; their goals; and their commitments, abilities, and willingness to perform certain actions.

Please study the primitive concepts which are used to formulate the (pre-)conditions of the dialogue acts and corresponding update effects are listed in the Tables 1 for dialogue acts with general-purpose communicative functions.

Concept	Definition
Mental attitudes towards information	
Bel (A, p , σ)	agent A possesses the information represented by the proposition p,
	with belief strength σ ; σ represents A's certainty that p is true
	σ can have the values 'firm' and 'weak'
KnowVal (A,z)	A possesses information which allows him to compute the value of z
$Want(A, \tau)$	agent A has goal $ au$
Mental attitudes towards actions	
CanDo (A, α)	agent A is able to perform action α
WillDo (A, α , C_{α})	agent A is willing to perform action α
	if condition C_{α} is fulfilled; C_{α} may be 'empty', i.e. the universally
	true statement \top
CommitDo (A, α , C_{α})	agent A is committed to perform action α if condition C_{α}
	is fulfilled; C_{α} may be 'empty', i.e. the universally true statement \top
CommitRefrain (A, α , C_{α})	agent A is committed not to perform action α if condition C_{α}
	is fulfilled; C_{α} may be 'empty', i.e. the universally true statement \top
ConsidDo (A, α ,B, C_{α})	agent A is considering action α to be perform by B if condition C_{α}
	is fulfilled; C_{α} may be 'empty', i.e. the universally true statement \top ;
	B may be identical to A
Interest(A, a)	means that action α is of interest to agent A

Tabelle 1: Semantic primitives for formalizing dialogue act (pre-)conditions.

Task 2

Given the primitives in Table 1, specify pre-, goal and expected effect(-s) conditions for the following dialogue acts:

- SET QUESTION expressed in the utterance 'What day in May did you want to travel?'
- SET ANSWER: 'On the 12th of May'
- REQUESTs: 'Book this flight for me' and 'Could you book this flight for me, please?'

Task 3

Using the primitives in Table 1 design a plan for REQUEST to a robot to open a door and robot's

ACCEPT and
DECLINE REQUEST.

Specify, hereby, pre-conditions, goal(-s) and effects for all dialogue acts.