

Pogamut 3 Virtual Characters Made Easy!

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Main contribution

Pogamut 3 provides an IDE and an auxiliary library for fast creation of virtual characters behavior in virtual world of Unreal Tournament[™] 2004 and UnrealEngine2 Runtime.

Pogamut uses new version of popular GameBots interface and integrates a reactive planner POSH.

Introduction

We have created a platform for easy prototyping of virtual characters **behavior** in complex virtual world of Unreal Tournament 2004 and Unreal 2 Runtime.

Our goal

To provide platform that enables people interested in virtual characters to get started programming in 5 minutes.

Who is it for?

Students and researchers who are interested in modeling of virtual character's behavior.



An example of a bot from Unreal Tournament 2004™

Pogamut's features

Fast start

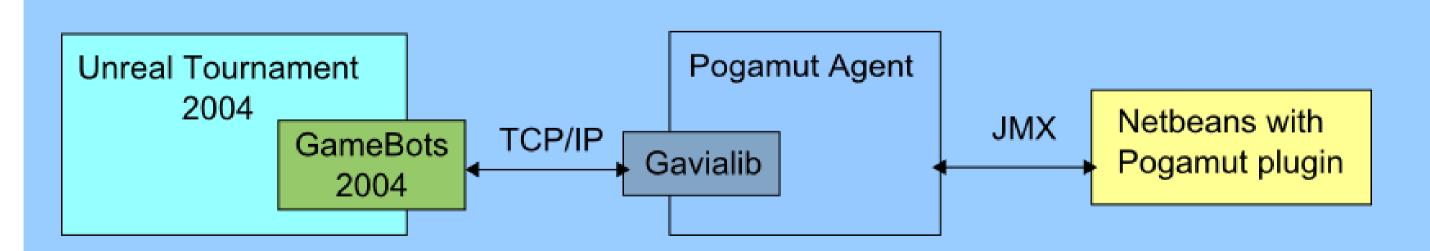
- Installer
- IDE integration, no need for command line magic
- 7 step by step tutorials showing bots of increasing complexity
- Videotutorials
- Online support on forums
- Opensource

Bot's can be implemented in

- Java Java API is 1st choice, it is stable and well documented
- POSH reactive planner with LISP like syntax, don't be afraid of parentheses, visual editor is part of the Netbeans Plugin
- and possibly more languages build on top of JVM or with Java Script API binding (Scala, Groovy, Python, Ruby, Scheme, ...)

Architecture

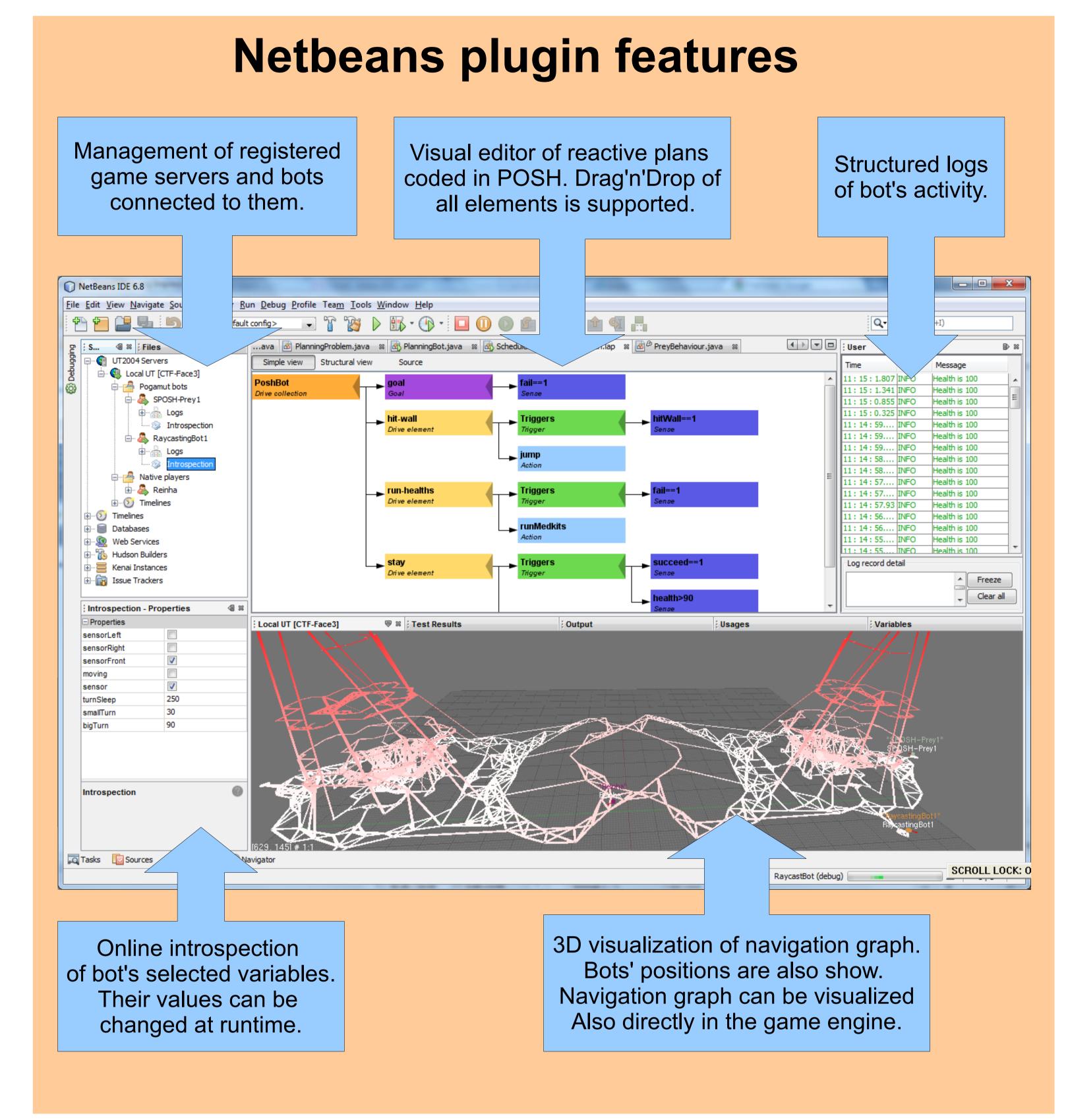
- Unreal Tournament[™] 2004 commercial game used as a virtual world. It is extensible and contains environmental editor.
- Gamebots 2004 built-in server in the UT04, which export information from UT04 for the Agent.
- Gavialib highly abstract library suited for interfacing to virtual worlds.
- Pogamut Agent here goes the user logic.
- Netbeans IDE plug-in for Netbeans[™] development environment.
 Provides support for coding and debugging the agent.



Botprize 2010 competition

- Use Pogamut to code bot that passes modified Turing test
- If your bot passes the test you will win A\$7,000
- If you will be the best of all contenders but the bot doesn't pass the test you will win A\$2,000

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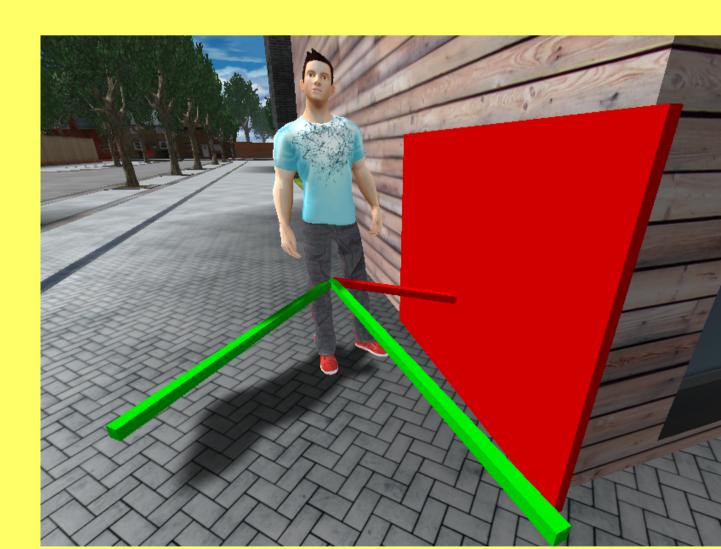


Example usage – Project Emohawk

- Scenario featuring four agents playing out a short story (5-10 minutes) with limited user interaction
- Free 3D content in UnrealEngine 2 Runtime (3D city, six models of characters with animations and a dozen of objects)
- Java GUI application for fast scripting of short stories (work in progress)
- Tutorials and graphical debugging tools









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