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#### **Reinforcement Learning**



# Planning



# Planning

# RL

- Search through space of states
- Relies on an explicit model of the environment
- Search through space of policies
- Relies on trial & error by interaction







Köhler (1948)



# Integrating Planning and RL







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#### **Decomposing GRMDP**



### Irrelevant variables



Factored MDP represented as Dynamic Bayesian Network (DBN)

#### Model-agnostic Abstraction

A model-agnostic abstraction  $\phi(s)$  is such that for any action *a* and an abstract state  $\bar{s}$ ,  $\phi(s_1)=\phi(s_2)$  if and only if

$$\sum_{\{s'_1 \mid \phi(s'_1) = \bar{s}\}} R_o(s_1, a, s'_1) = \sum_{\{s'_2 \mid \phi(s'_2) = \bar{s}\}} R_o(s_2, a, s'_2)$$
$$\sum_{\{s'_1 \mid \phi(s'_1) = \bar{s}\}} P_o(s_1, a, s'_1) = \sum_{\{s'_2 \mid \phi(s'_2) = \bar{s}\}} P_o(s_2, a, s'_2)$$



Dietterich NeurIPS 2000; Ravindran and Barto IJCAI 2003; Givan, Dean, and Greig AI 2003; Li, Walsh, and Littman ISAIM 2006

#### Graphical models



First Order Conditional Influence (FOCI) statements

if (condition) then (influents) QINF (resultant)

Dynamic FOCI statements

$$[\langle subgoal \rangle]: \langle influents \rangle \xrightarrow{[+1]} \langle resultant \rangle$$

Natarajan, Tadepalli, Dietterich, and Fern 2008

#### D-FOCI



d2 p1 d1 p2

#### Experiments

#### Domains

- Office World
- Minecraft World
- Relational Taxi
- Relational Box World
- Craft World
- Robotic Fetch domain

#### Baselines

- HRL (options framework)
- Tabular Q-learning
- Deep RL (DDQN, HDQN, SAC)
- Deep Relational RL
- Planning+RL (Taskable RL)



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#### Experiments

#### Office World



#### Sample efficiency

Transfer across task



#### Deep Relational RL



<sup>2</sup>Li et al. ICRA 2022





## Planning

RL

- Search through space of states
- Relies on an explicit model of the environment
- PDDL Task

- Search through space of policies
- Relies on trial & error by interaction
- MDP

**PDDL** Task  $\langle \mathcal{L}, \mathcal{O}, I, G \rangle$ 

#### Lifted Action Models ${\cal O}$



 $\begin{array}{c} \mathsf{MDP} \\ \langle S, A, T, R, \gamma \rangle \end{array}$ 

#### Actions

#### [east, west, north, south]





Long and Fox (2002)

"Two actions that are applicable in the same state cannot have the same label"

```
(:action pickup
  :parameters (?k - key ?r - room)
  :precondition (and (at ?k ?r)
     (at-agent?r)
      (empty-hand))
  :effect (and (not (at ?k ?r))
     (not (empty-hand))
     (carry ?k))
# of grounding = #of keys * # of rooms
```

# Are all the parameters of LAM relevant?\*

\*Do they define different grounded actions that can be applied in a single state?

#### Relevant parameters

#### Know,

(at key1 room1)  $\oplus$  (at key1 room2)

#### So,

(pickup key1 room1) ⊕

(pickup key1 room2) ⊕: Mutually exclusive (:action pickup **:parameters** (?k - key ?r - room) :precondition (and (at ?k ?r) (at-agent?r) (empty-hand)) :effect (and (not (at ?k ?r)) (**not** (empty-hand)) (carry ?k))

#### Applicable Action Mutex Group (AAMG)



#### **Action Space Reduction**



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#### Impact on learning RL policies



Figure 3: Learning curve in the (a) ferry, (b) gripper, (c) blocks, and (d) logistics; with and without action label reduction.



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# Questions?