

Recap

DMU

- Probabilistic Models
- MDPs
- Reinforcement Learning
- POMDPs
- Games

Probabilistic Models

$$\begin{aligned} P(A) \\ P(A, B) \\ P(A|B) \end{aligned}$$

3 Rules

$$1. 0 \leq P(X | Y) \leq 1$$

$$\sum_{x \in X} P(x | Y) = 1$$

$$2. P(X) = \sum_{y \in Y} P(X, y)$$

$$3. P(X | Y) = \frac{P(X, Y)}{P(Y)}$$

Bayes Rule

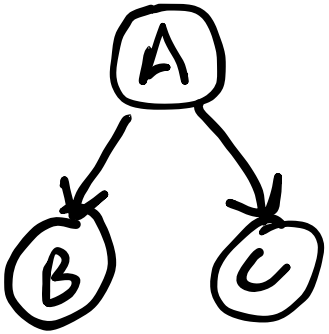
$$P(A | B) = \frac{P(B | A)P(A)}{P(B)}$$

Independence

$$A \perp B \iff P(A, B) = P(A)P(B)$$

$$A \perp B | C \iff P(A, B | C) = P(A | C)P(B | C)$$

Bayesian Networks



Chain Rule

$$P(X_{1:n}) = \prod_i P(X_i \mid Pa(X_i))$$

Sampling

Topological sort, then
sample from each node

Conditional Independence

$X \perp Y \mid \mathcal{C}$ if all paths between X and Y are d-separated by \mathcal{C}

Inference

- Input: BN, evidence values
- Output: Distribution of query variables

Exact: NP-Hard

Approximate via sampling: Direct,
Likelihood Weighted, Gibbs

Learning

- Input: Data
- Output: BN structure and parameters

Markov Decision Processes

$$(S, A, R, T, \gamma)$$

Examples: $S = \{1, 2, 3\}$ or $S = \mathbb{R}^2$

$$s = (x, \dot{x}) \in S = \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$\underset{\pi}{\text{maximize}} \quad E \left[\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \gamma^t R(s_t, a_t) \right]$$

$$Q^{\pi}(s, a) = E \left[\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \gamma^t R(s_t, a_t) \mid s_0 = s, a_0 = a, a_t = \pi(s_t) \right]$$

$$V^{\pi}(s) = Q^{\pi}(s, \pi(s))$$

$$V^{\pi}(s) = R(s, a) + \gamma E[V^{\pi}(s')]$$

Policy Evaluation

$$V^*(s) = \max_a \{ R(s, a) + \gamma E[V^*(s')] \}$$

Bellman's Equation: Certificate of Optimality

$$B[V](s) = \max_a \{ R(s, a) + \gamma E[V(s')] \}$$

Bellman's Operator

Offline MDP Algorithms

Policy Iteration

loop

Evaluate Policy

Improve Policy

Converges because
policy always improves
and there are a finite
number of policies

Value Iteration

loop

$$V \leftarrow B[V]$$

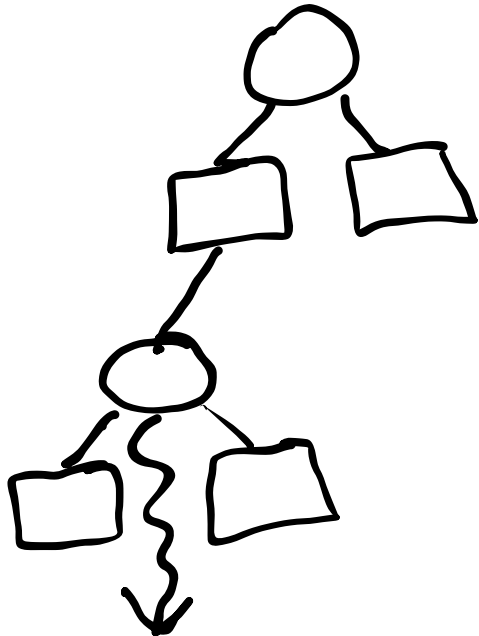
Converges because B is
a contraction mapping

Online MDP Planning

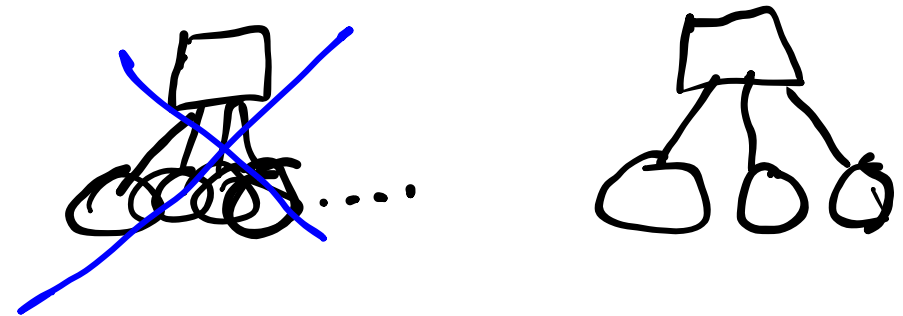
Monte Carlo Tree Search

Search
Expand
Rollout
Backup

$$Q(s,a) + c \sqrt{\frac{\log N(s)}{N(s,a)}}$$

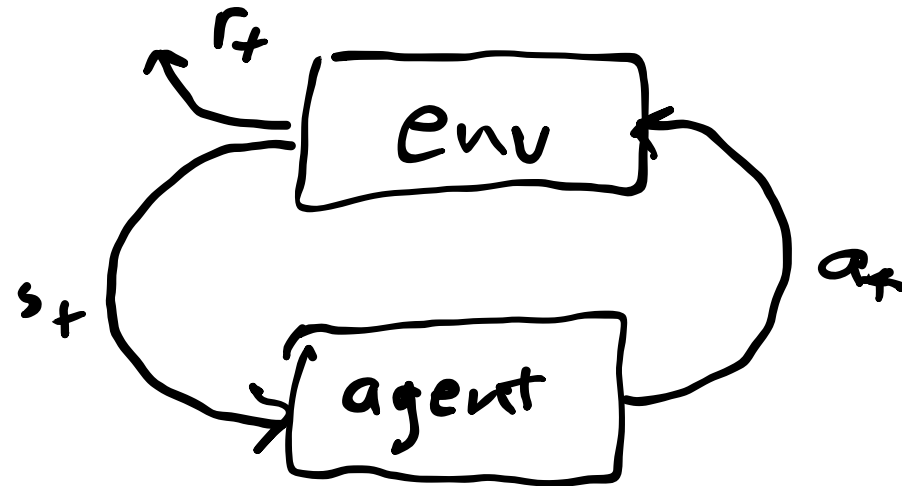


Sparse Sampling



Guarantees *independent* of $|S|!!$

Reinforcement Learning



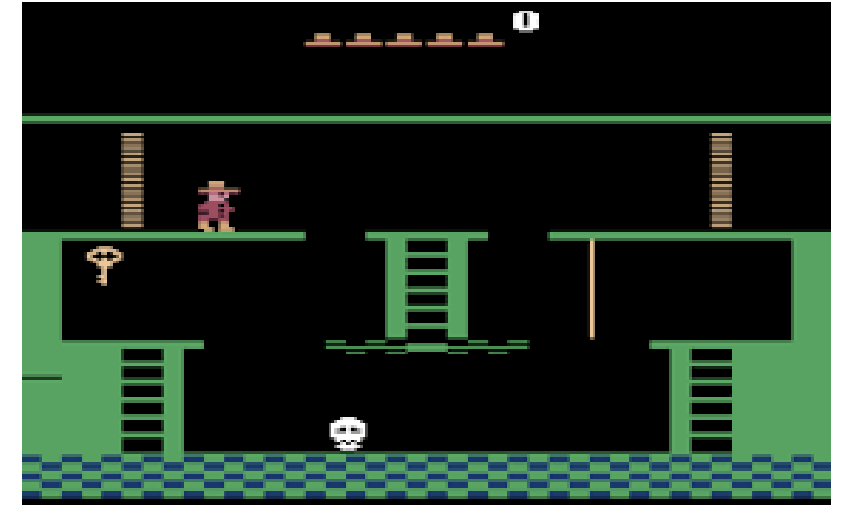
Challenges:

1. Exploration and Exploitation
2. Credit Assignment
3. Generalization

Exploration

Bandits

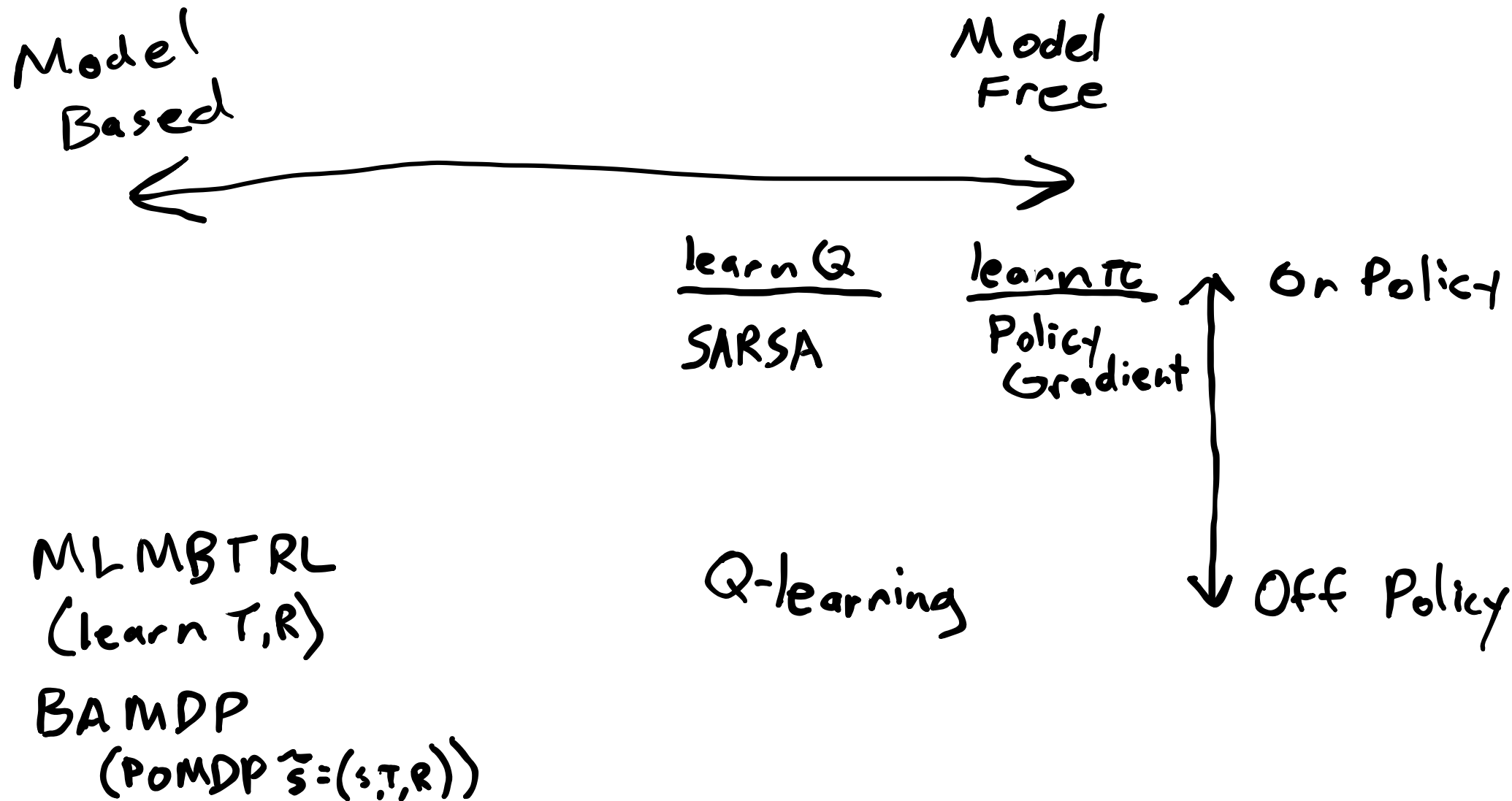
- ϵ -greedy
- softmax
- UCB
- Thompson Sampling
- Optimal DP Solution (solving a POMDP!)



Montezuma's Revenge!

- Pseudocounts
- Curiosity: extra reward for bad prediction
- Random network distillation

RL Algorithms



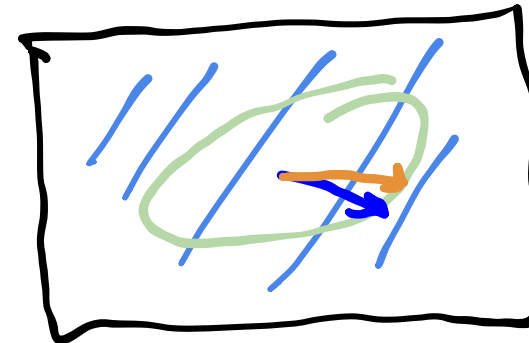
Policy Gradient

- Likelihood ratio trick
- Causality
- Baseline Subtraction

$$\nabla_{\theta} p_{\theta}(\tau) = p_{\theta}(\tau) \nabla_{\theta} \log p_{\theta}(\tau)$$

$$\nabla U(\theta) = \mathbb{E}_{\tau} \left[\sum_{k=1}^d \nabla_{\theta} \log \pi_{\theta}(a^{(k)} | s^{(k)}) \gamma^{k-1} (r_{\text{to-go}}^{(k)} - r_{\text{base}}(s^{(k)})) \right]$$

- Natural Gradient



KL div.
Bound

Q-Learning

SARSA

$$Q(s, a) \leftarrow Q(s, a) + \alpha(r_t + \gamma Q(s', a') - Q(s, a))$$

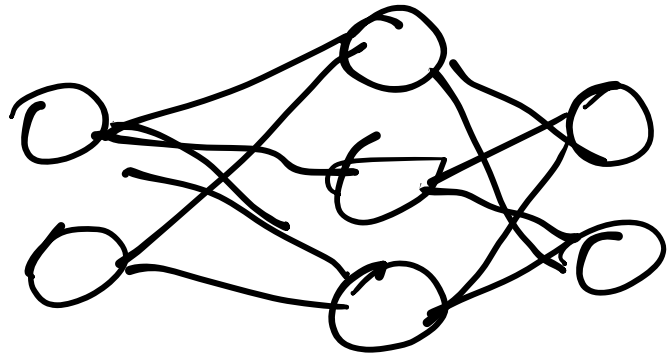
Eligibility Traces

Q-learning

$$Q(s, a) \leftarrow Q(s, a) + \alpha(r_t + \gamma \max_{a'} Q(s', a') - Q(s, a))$$

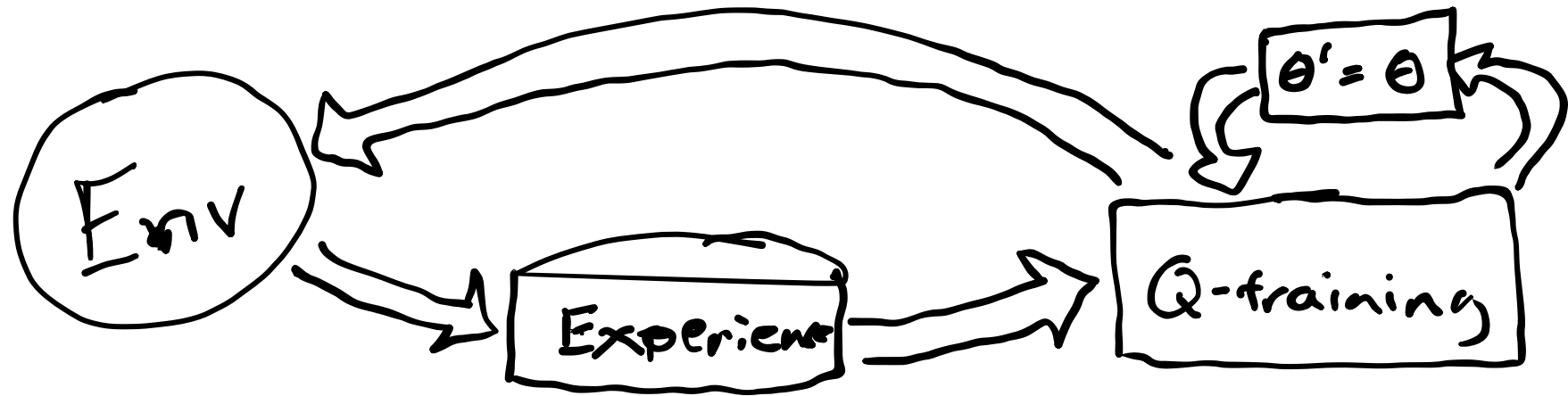
Double Q Learning

Neural Networks and DQN



$$f_{\theta}(x) = \sigma(W_2\sigma(W_1x + b_1) + b_2)$$

Backprop



Actor-Critic

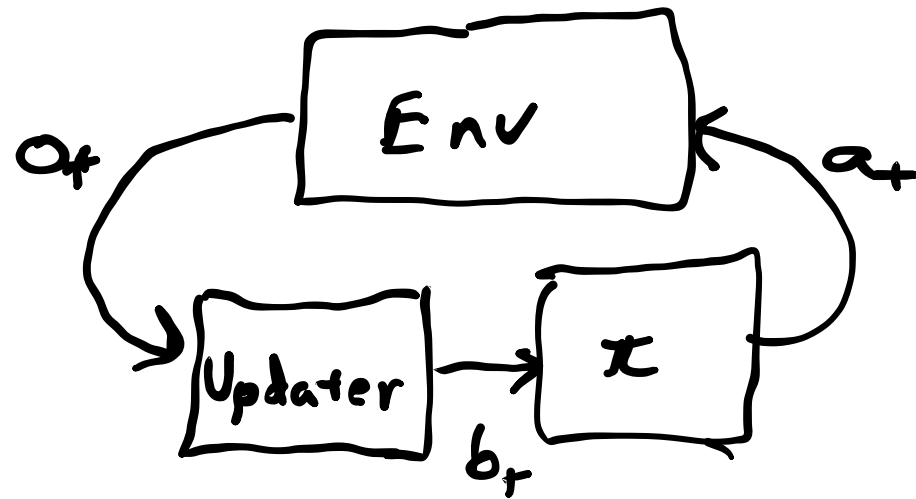
- Actor: π_θ
- Critic: Q_ϕ

Soft Actor Critic

$$J(\pi) = E \left[\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \gamma^t (r_t + \alpha \mathcal{H}(\pi(\cdot | s_t))) \right]$$

POMDPs

$$(S, A, T, R, O, Z, \gamma)$$

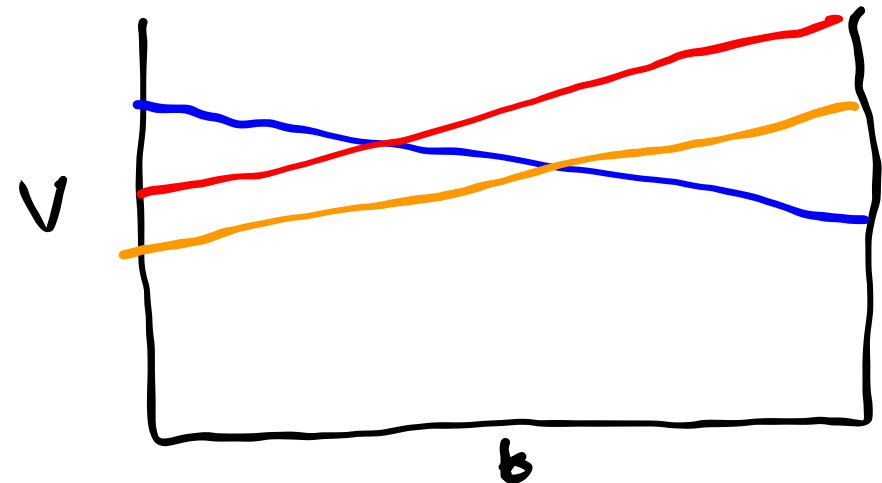


- Each alpha vector corresponds to a conditional plan
- You can prune alpha vectors by solving an LP

Belief Updates

- Discrete Bayesian Filter
- Particle Filter

Alpha Vectors



POMDP Approximations

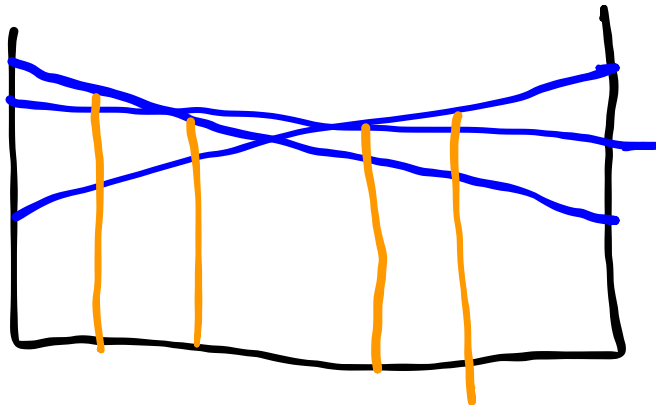
Formulation

- Certainty Equivalence
- QMDP

Numerical

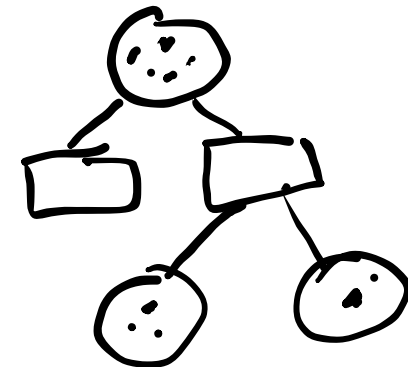
Offline

- Point-Based Value Iteration
- SARSOP



Online

- POMCP
- DESPOT



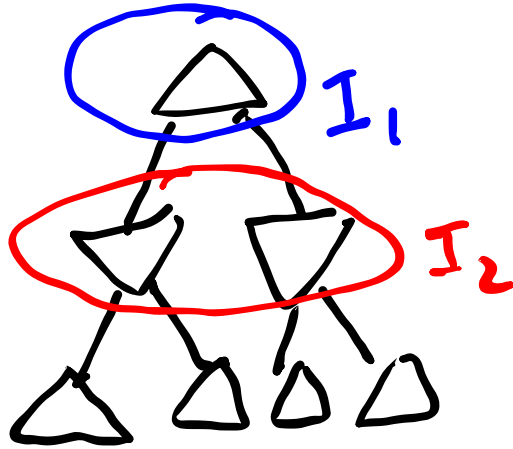
Simple Games

- ~~Optimal Solutions~~ No!
- Equilibria (e.g. Nash Equilibria)

-1,-1	-3,0
0,-3	-2,-2

- Every finite game has at least 1 Nash Equilibrium
- Might be pure or mixed
- Algorithms like fictitious play converge in special cases

Turn Taking Games

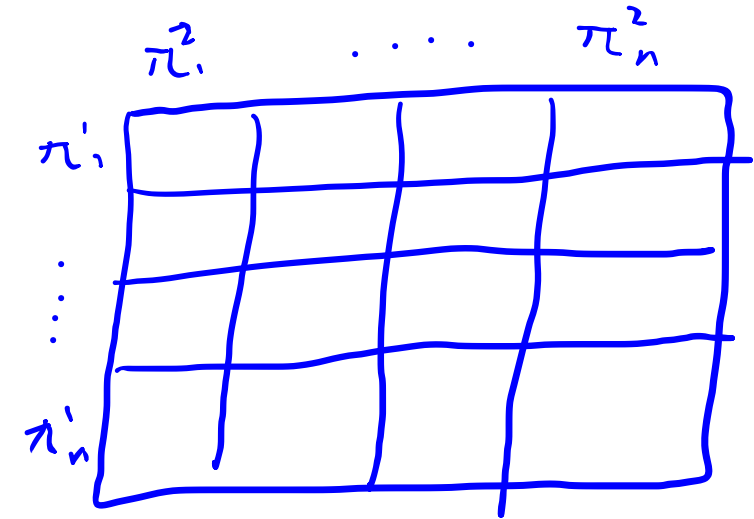


- Value Function Backup
- $\alpha\beta$ Pruning
- Incomplete Information Extensive Form

Markov Games and POMGS

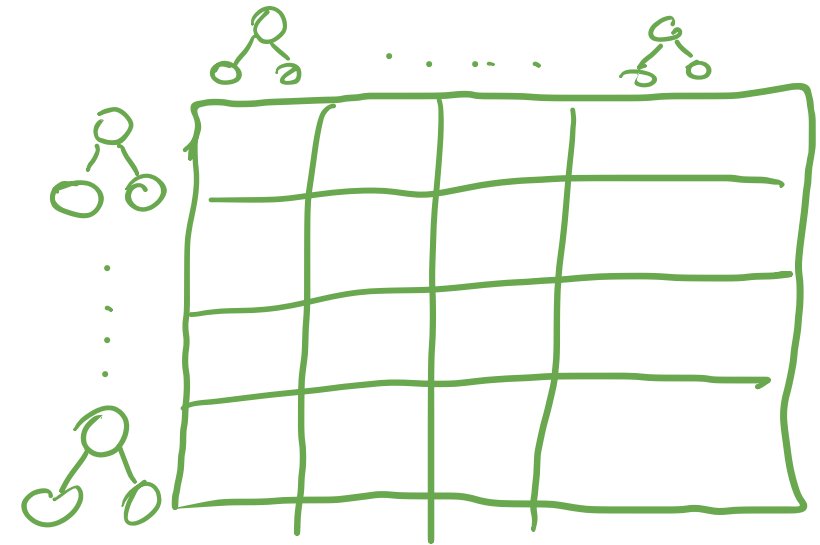
Markov Games

- All players play simultaneously
- Transitions are stochastic
- Best response involves solving an MDP
- Can be reduced to a simple game with policies as actions



Partially Observable Markov Games

- Each player receives a noisy observation at each step
- Beliefs not practical to compute
- Can be reduced to simple game with policies as actions



Recap

**After DMU you have basic tools to deal
with 4 Big Problems:**

1. Immediate and Future Rewards
2. Unknown Models
3. Partial Observability
4. Other Agents