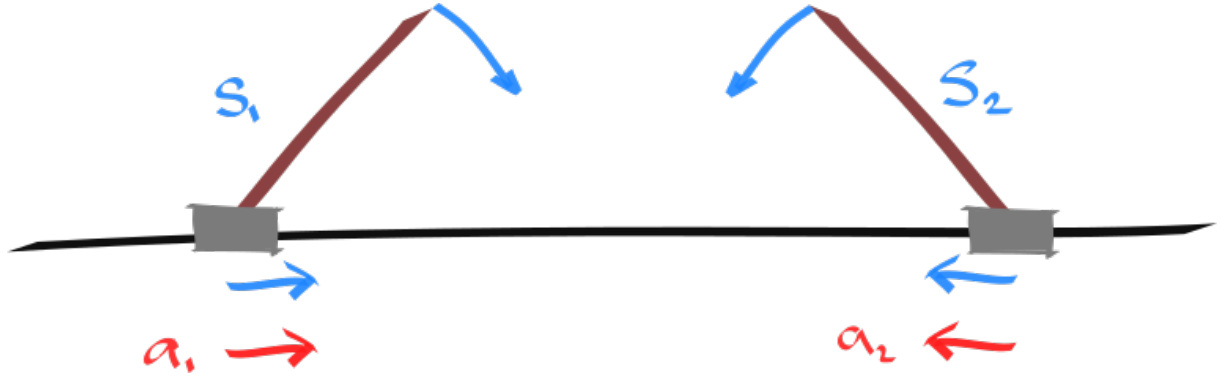

Cart pole

Mirror symmetry



Two indicators of this symmetry. It is reflected in the transition function, and the value function.

The change in state is conserved between the pair.

$$\Delta(s, a) = \mathbb{E}_{s' \sim p(\cdot|s, a)} (s' - s) \quad (1)$$

$$\Delta(s_1, a_1) = -\Delta(s_2, a_2) \quad (2)$$

$$(3)$$

The expected value is conserved between the pair (assuming we have a policy with mirror symmetry).

$$\forall a \text{ set } \pi(a|s_1) = \pi(-a|s_2) \quad (4)$$

$$\forall \gamma : Q_\pi^\gamma(s_1, a_1) = Q_\pi^\gamma(s_2, a_2) \quad (5)$$

$$\forall \gamma : Q_\pi^\gamma(s_1, a_2) = Q_\pi^\gamma(s_2, a_1) \quad (6)$$

$$(7)$$

The (discounted) reachable rewards are conserved between the pair. (!!!)

$$\{r(s, a, s') : \forall s \in \mathcal{R}(s_1, a_1)\} = \{r(s, a, s') : \forall s \in \mathcal{R}(s_2, a_2)\} \quad (8)$$

Translational symmetry

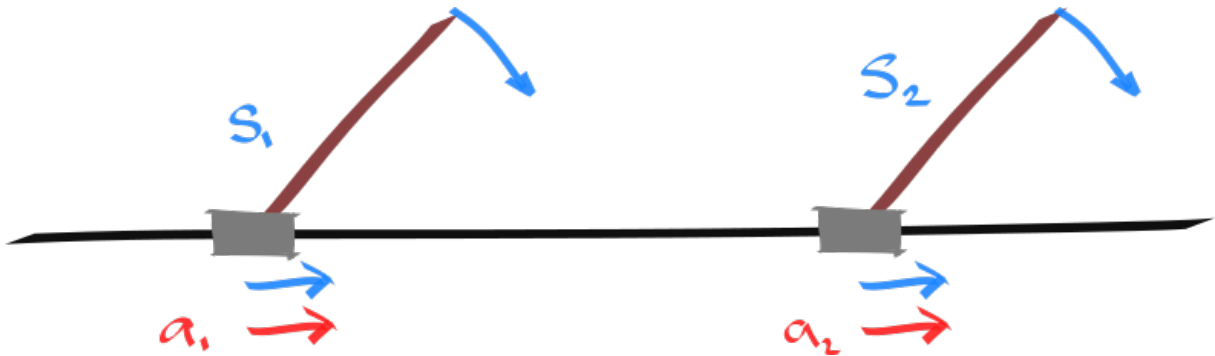


Figure 1: Each pair is similar, in a sense

(special case of regular actions)

$$\Delta(s_1, a_1) = \Delta(s_1, a_2) = \Delta(s_2, a_1) = \Delta(s_2, a_2) \quad (9)$$

$$\forall a \text{ set } \pi(a|s_1) = \pi(a|s_2) \quad (10)$$

$$\forall \gamma : Q_\pi^\gamma(s_1, a_1) = Q_\pi^\gamma(s_2, a_2) = Q_\pi^\gamma(s_1, a_2) = Q_\pi^\gamma(s_2, a_1), \quad (11)$$

$$(12)$$

Future translational symmetry

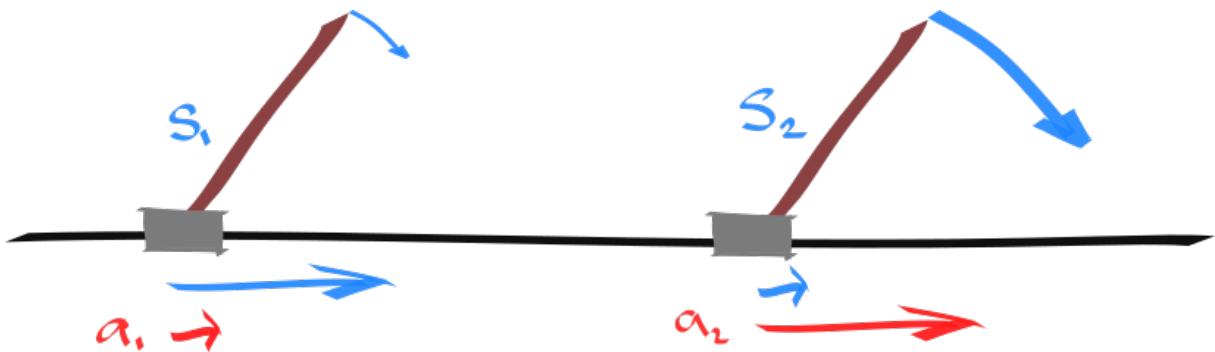


Figure 2: Each pair is similar, in a sense

different states, different actions. but maps into translational symmetry.

After this action. All future actions will have the same effect. In this sense, these two state-actions are similar.

$$\forall a : \mathbb{E}_{s' \sim p(\cdot | s_1, a_1)} [\Delta(s', a)] = \mathbb{E}_{s' \sim p(\cdot | s_2, a_2)} [\Delta(s', a)] \quad (13)$$

$$(14)$$

Temporal mirror symmetry

This is simply a result of the earlier mirror symmetry?!? (want to show this!)

permutations of actions that yield similar outcomes.

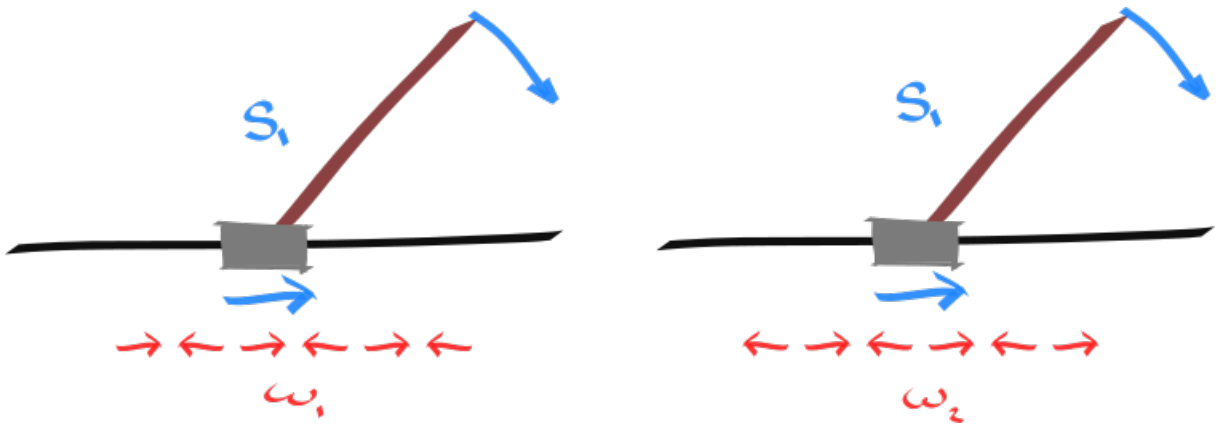


Figure 3: Each pair is similar, in a sense

$$p(s' | s, \omega) = \prod p(s | s, a) \omega(a | s) \quad (15)$$

$$p(\cdot | s_1, \omega_1) = p(\cdot | s_1, \omega_2) \quad (16)$$

$$Q(s_1, \omega_1) = Q(s_1, \omega_2) \quad (17)$$

$$(18)$$