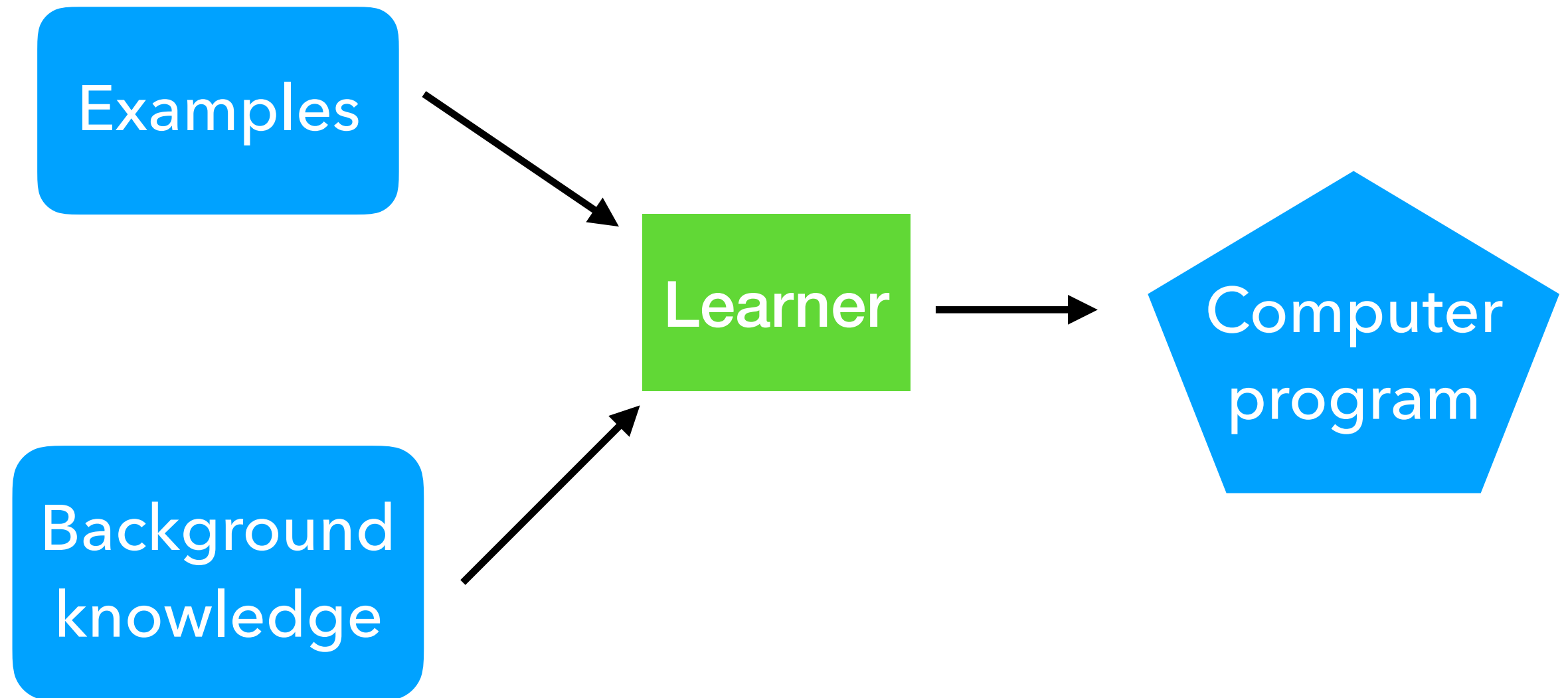


Logical reduction of metarules

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ILP



Mode declarations

Progol

ILASP

Aleph

XHAIL

TILDE

...

Metarules

Metagol

MIL-Hex

∂ ILP

ProPPR

Clint

MOBAL

...

(almost all neural-ILP approaches)

Metarules

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Input

```
% background  
parent(alice,bob).  
parent(bob,charlie).
```

```
% example  
grandparent(alice,charlie).
```

```
% metarule  
P(A,B)  $\leftarrow$  Q(A,C),R(C,B)
```


Output

% subs

Subs = {**P**\grandparent, **Q**\parent, **R**\parent}

% program

grandparent(A,B) \leftarrow parent(A,C), parent(C,B)

Where do we get metarules from?

Completeness

Cannot learn grandparent/2 with only $P(X) \leftarrow Q(X)$

Efficiency

More metarules = larger hypothesis space

Idea: find logically minimal sets

Entailment redundant metarules

[Cropper and Muggleton, ILP14]

The clause C is **entailment redundant** in the clausal theory $T \cup \{C\}$ when $T \models C$

Entailment redundancy

$$C1 = p(A,B) \leftarrow q(A,B)$$

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$$\{C1\} \models \{C2, C3\}$$

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father(A,B) \leftarrow parent(A,B), male(A) ✖

Derivation redundancy

[Cropper and Tourret, ILP18, JELIA19]

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SLD-resolution in this work



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$\{C1, C2, C3\} \vdash \{C4\}$

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MLJ Paper

We compare subsumption, entailment, and derivation reduction

We theoretically show whether infinite fragments of metarules can be logically reduced to finite sets

We run the reduction algorithms on finite sets of metarules to identify minimal sets

We experimentally compare the learning performance of Metagol when supplied with reduced sets of metarule

Theoretical questions

Q. Can we reduce M to a fragment with only two body literals?

Q. Can we reduce M to a fragment with finitely many body literals?

Q. If M has a finite reduction, what is that fragment?

Idea

1. Generate big sets of metarules
2. Run the reduction algorithms on the sets
3. Study the results.

H^a_m

maximum arity **a**

maximum body literals **m**

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C^2_∞ cannot be derivationally reduced to C^2_2

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C^2_∞ cannot be derivationally reduced to a finite fragment!

Derivation reduction of connected fragment

$$P(A) \leftarrow Q(B, A)$$

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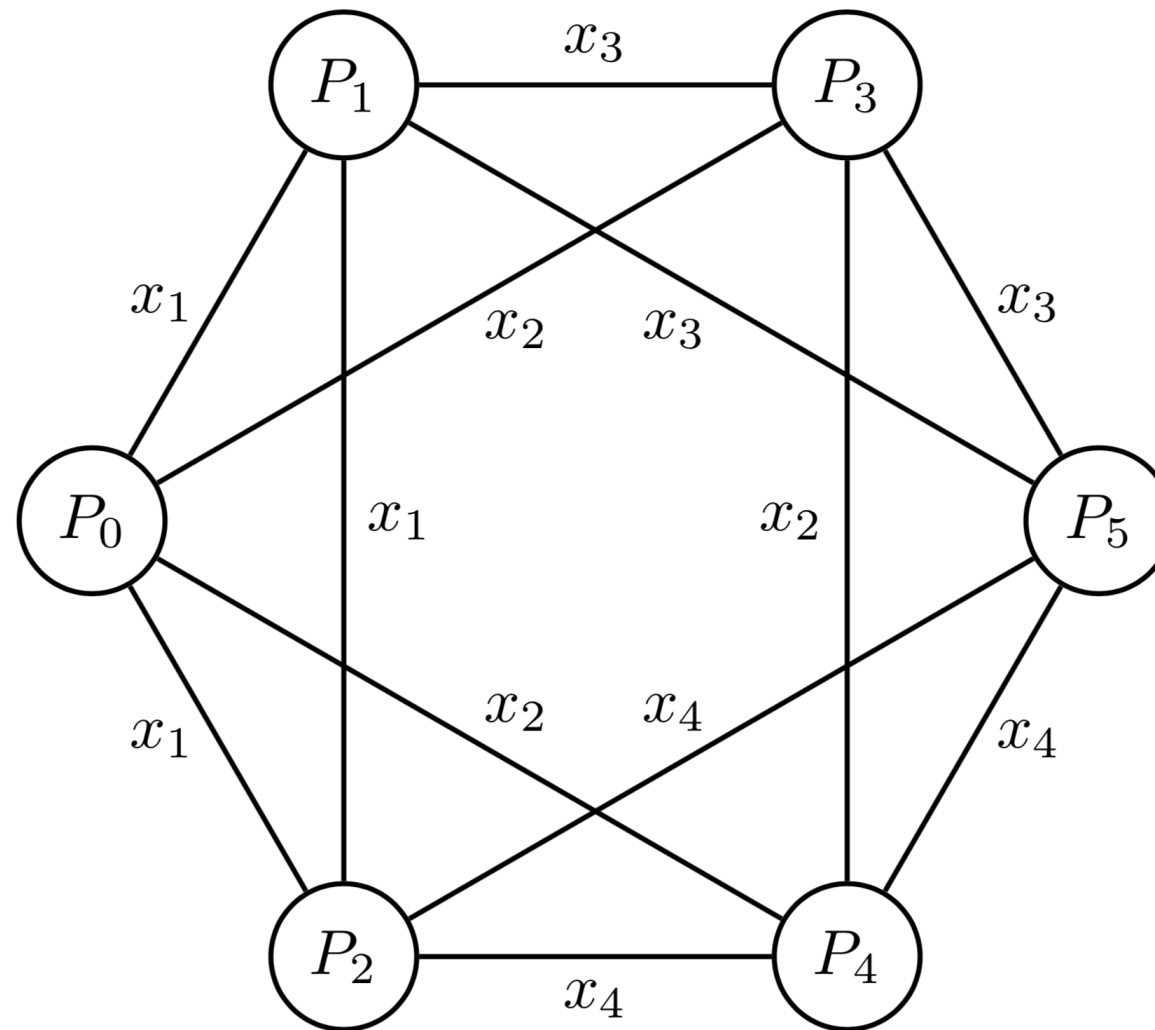
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Why not?



$$P_0(x_1, x_2) \leftarrow P_1(x_1, x_3), P_2(x_1, x_4), P_3(x_2, x_3), P_4(x_2, x_4), P_5(x_3, x_4)$$

**Can the Datalog D^2_∞ fragment be reduced to
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2	✓	✓	×
>2	×	✓	×

D^2_∞ cannot be derivationally reduced to a finite fragment

Reduction summary

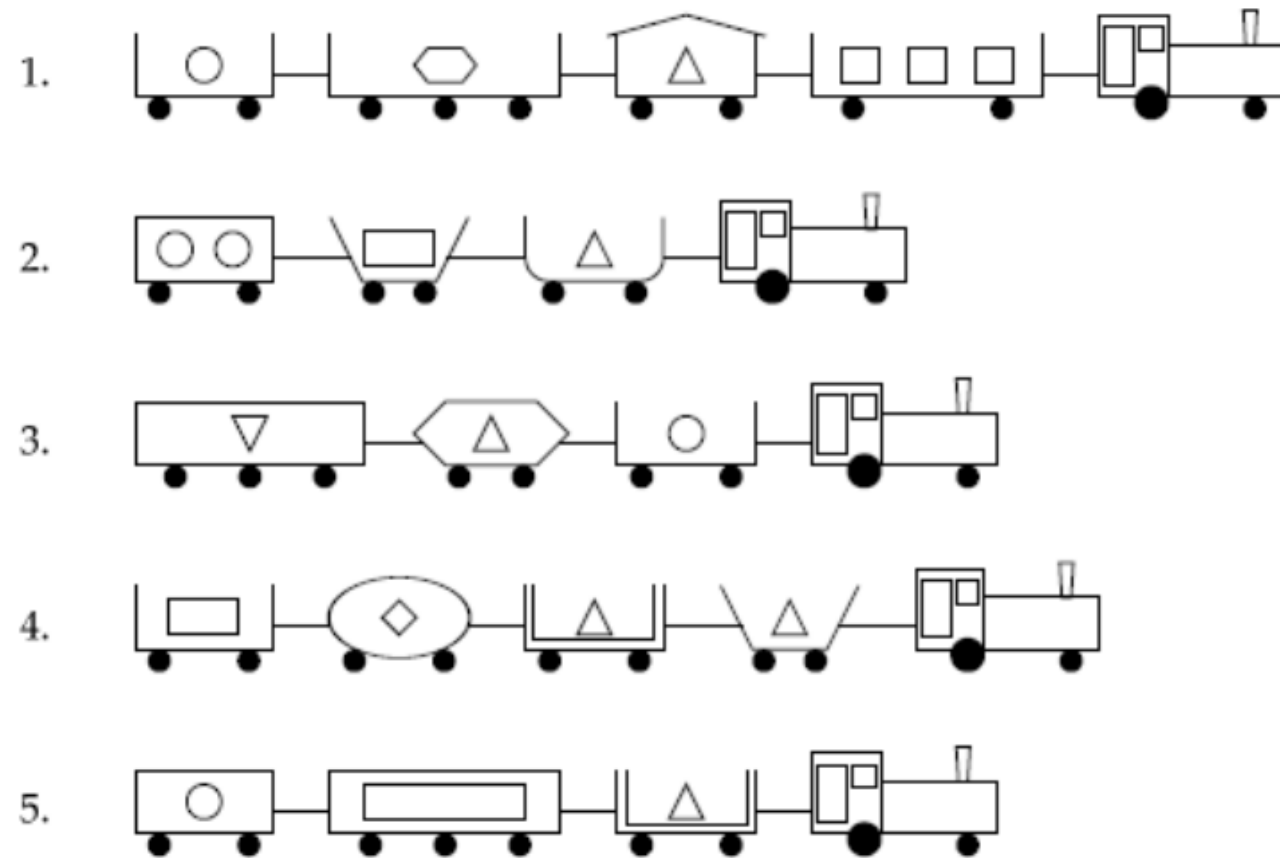
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a	S	E	D	S	E	D	S	E	D	S	E	D
1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
2	✓	✓	×	✓	✓	×	×	✓	×	×	✓	×
>2	✓	✓	×	×	✓	×	×	✓	×	×	✓	×

Does it matter?

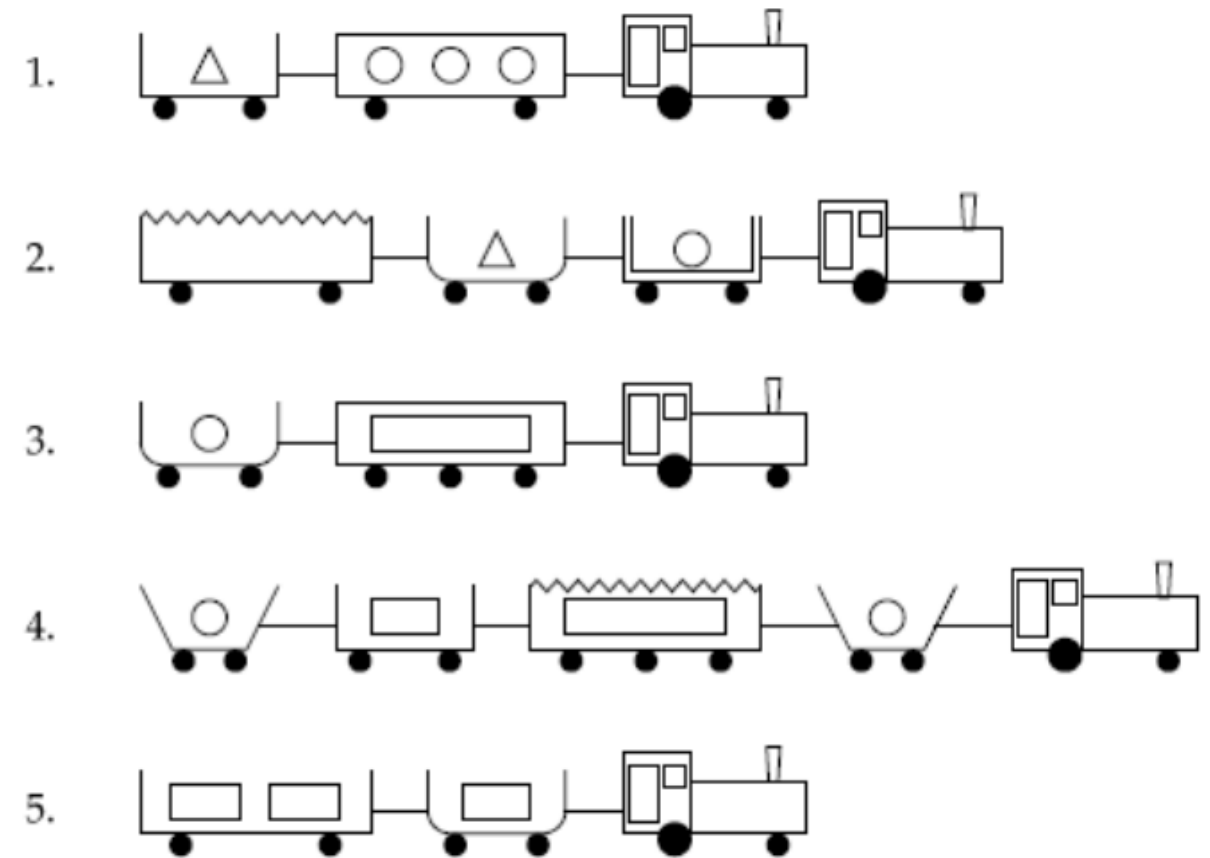
Is there any difference in learning performance when using different reduced sets of metarules?

Trains

1. TRAINS GOING EAST



2. TRAINS GOING WEST



Accuracies

Task	S	E	D	D*
T_1	100 \pm 0	100 \pm 0	100 \pm 0	100 \pm 0
T_2	100 \pm 0	100 \pm 0	100 \pm 0	100 \pm 0
T_3	68 \pm 5	62 \pm 5	100 \pm 0	100 \pm 0
T_4	75 \pm 6	75 \pm 6	100 \pm 0	100 \pm 0
T_5	92 \pm 4	78 \pm 6	78 \pm 6	100 \pm 0
T_6	52 \pm 2	50 \pm 0	70 \pm 6	100 \pm 0
T_7	95 \pm 3	65 \pm 5	82 \pm 5	100 \pm 0
T_8	55 \pm 3	52 \pm 2	72 \pm 6	98 \pm 2
mean	80 \pm 1	73 \pm 2	88 \pm 2	100 \pm 0

Learning times

Task	S	E	D	D*
T1	0 \pm 0	0 \pm 0	0 \pm 0	0 \pm 0
T2	0 \pm 0	0 \pm 0	0 \pm 0	0 \pm 0
T3	424 \pm 59	461 \pm 56	0 \pm 0	0 \pm 0
T4	322 \pm 64	340 \pm 61	0 \pm 0	0 \pm 0
T5	226 \pm 48	320 \pm 59	361 \pm 59	5 \pm 2
T6	583 \pm 17	600 \pm 0	429 \pm 51	7 \pm 2
T7	226 \pm 44	446 \pm 55	243 \pm 61	6 \pm 1
T8	550 \pm 35	570 \pm 30	361 \pm 64	183 \pm 40
mean	292 \pm 16	342 \pm 17	174 \pm 16	25 \pm 5

String transformations

Input	Output
Arthur Joe Juan	AJJ
Jose Larry Scott	JLS
Kevin Jason Matthew	KJM
Donald Steven George	DSG
Raymond Frank Timothy	RFT

String transformations

	S	E	D	D*
Mean predictive accuracy (%)	22 ± 0	22 ± 0	32 ± 0	56 ± 1
Mean learning time (seconds)	467 ± 1	467 ± 1	407 ± 3	270 ± 3

Inducing game rules

GT attrition

GT prisoner

Minimal even

Scissors paper stone

GT chicken

Minimal decay

Multiple buttons and lights

Untwisty corridor

Inducing game rules

	S	E	D	D*
Balanced accuracy (%)	66	66	72	73
Learning time (seconds)	316	316	327	296

Conclusions

New form of logical reduction

Negative theoretical results (especially for MIL)

Little impact on practical performance

Todo

Overcome negative theoretical result

Expand results to higher-arities

Identify domain-specific sets of metarules

Identify optimal sets of metarule

Logically reduce BK