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FMUGym: From Uncertainty-Aware Simulation to Learning-Based Control with FMI and Python

Tutorial @ 16th International Modelica & FMI Conference

Motivation

Some Quotes from Smart People

"All models are wrong, but some are useful"

- George E. P. Box

"Very wrong models, can be very useful"

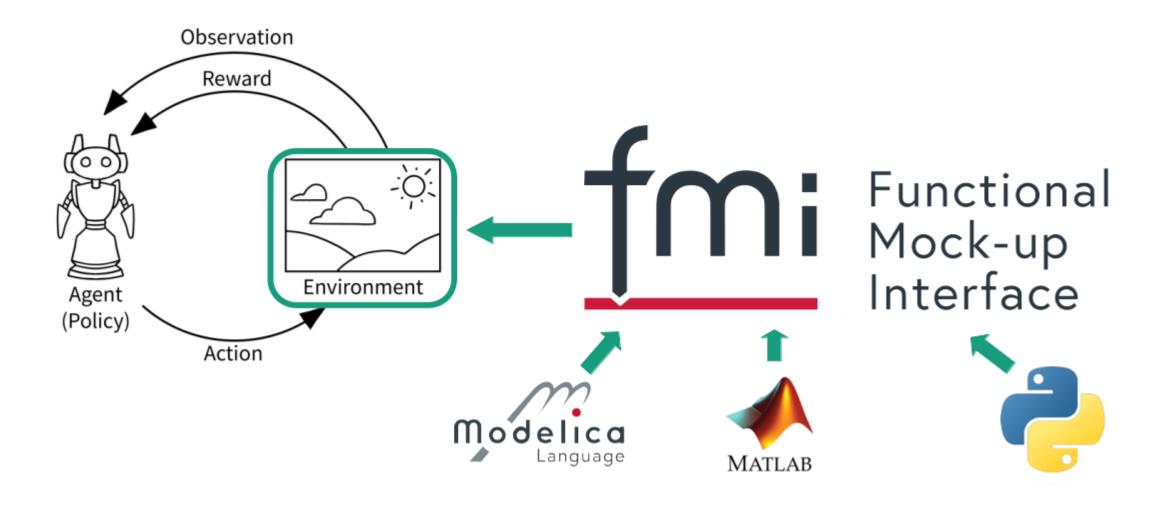
- Roberto Calandra

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Motivation

Self-learning Control Systems: Reinforcement Learning and FMI Standard

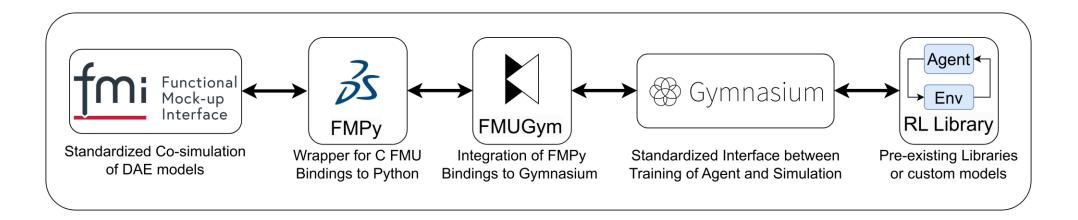


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FMUGym Interface

Connecting FMI with Reinforcement Learning Agents



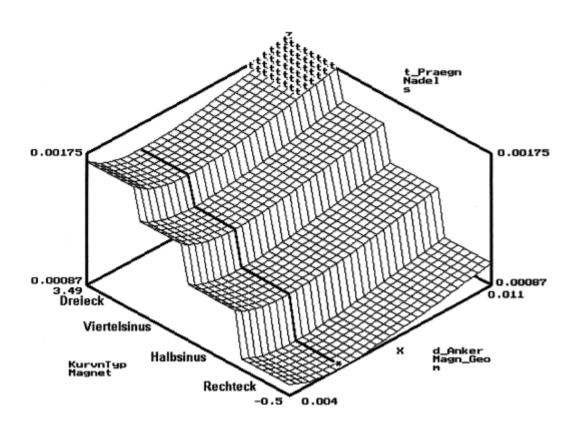
Tutorial Participation:

- **Windows** with Google Account: Colab https://tinyurl.com/fmugym-colab (suggested)
- **Windows** without Google Account: Binder https://tinyurl.com/fmugym-binder (very slow Reinforcement Learning)
- Additional for **Linux**: clone repo and follow local Installation https://github.com/Fraunhofer-IIS/fmugym (best to continue)

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Tuning PID Controller

Evolutionary Algorithm

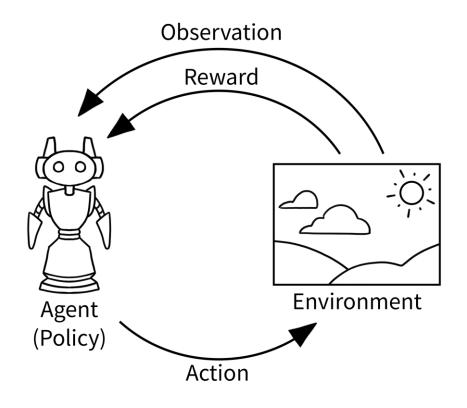


Optimization by differential evolution:

- **Evolutionary algorithms**: Generate child generations via mutation and recombination; selection based on fitness.
- Population-based, real-valued search without gradients
- DE: Offspring via weighted vector differences; selection by fitness
- Configuration aspects: Parent/child ratio, selection type / strategy, recombination method, mutation step-size control.
- Strong on noisy, discontinuous, high-dimensional problems

Reinforcement Learning

Connecting FMI with Reinforcement Learning Agents



Reinforcement learning (RL) as a type of machine learning:

- An agent interacts with its (simulated) environment
- The agent takes actions based on its current policy and observations
- The environment provides a **reward** based on its current state
- The (cumulative) reward is a metric to optimize the agent's policy
- While training, randomized actions for exploration can be selected
- Especially for inference the the experience gained is exploited

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