

Bayes-Adaptive Planning for Data-Efficient Verification of Uncertain Markov Decision Processes

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Automated Formal Verification - New Frontiers

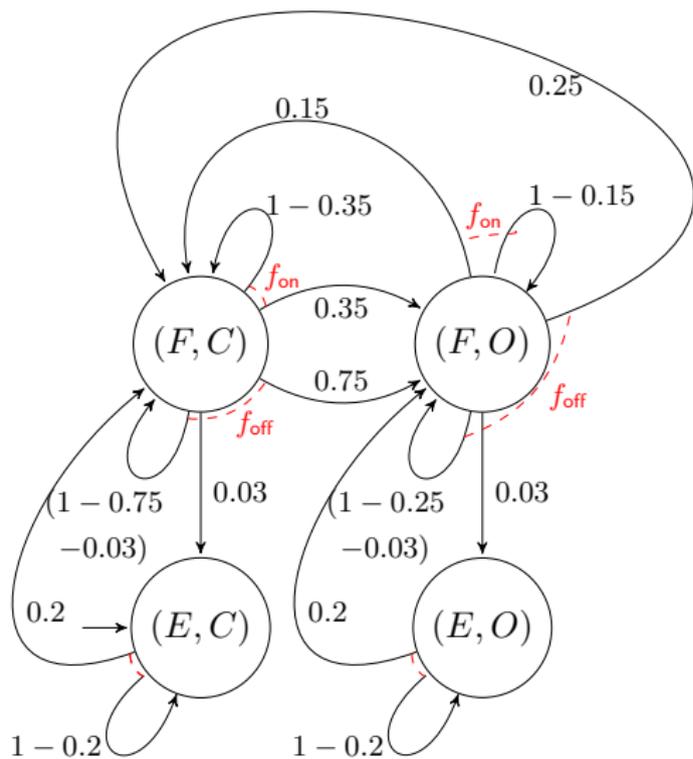
- Verification of **physical systems**
 - ▶ Need to reduce the gap between **data** and **models**
 - ▶ Principled integration of **learning** and **verification**



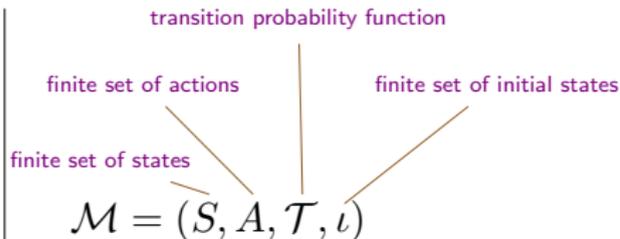
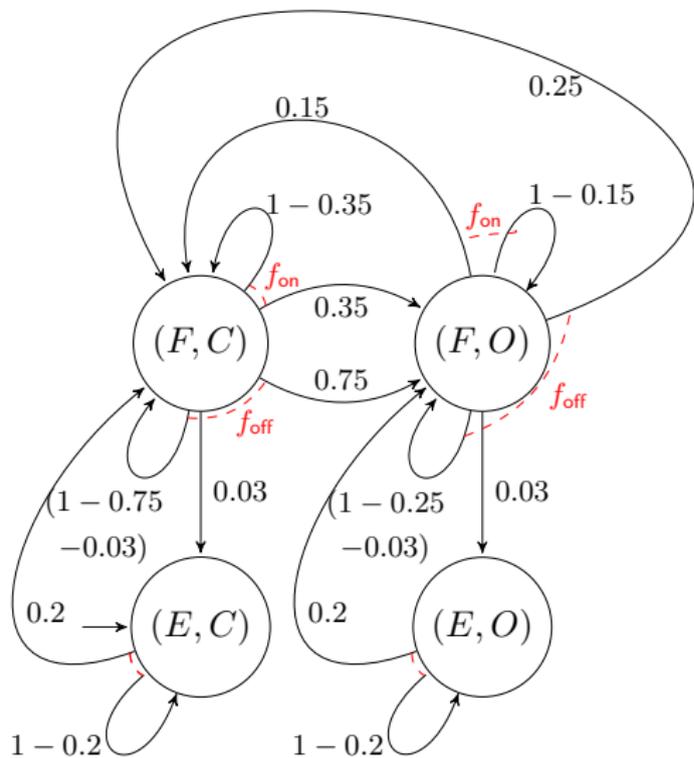
Figure: Advanced modelling for smart buildings: Building automation system setup in rooms 478/9 at Oxford CS with Estate Services at Oxford, Honeywell (CZ), Trend Control (UK)

Applications: control of temperature, humidity, CO₂, model-based predictive maintenance of devices, fault-tolerant certified control, demand-response over smart grids

Discrete-time Markov Decision Process (MDP)



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Windows are **open** (O) or **closed** (C)
 Zone is **occupied** (F) or **not** (E)

$$\mathcal{T}: S \times A \times S \rightarrow [0, 1]$$

$$\mathcal{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 & 0.2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.65 & 0.35 & 0 \\ 0.03 & 0.22 & 0.75 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.15 & 0.85 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.25 & 0.72 & 0.03 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.2 & 0.8 \end{bmatrix}$$

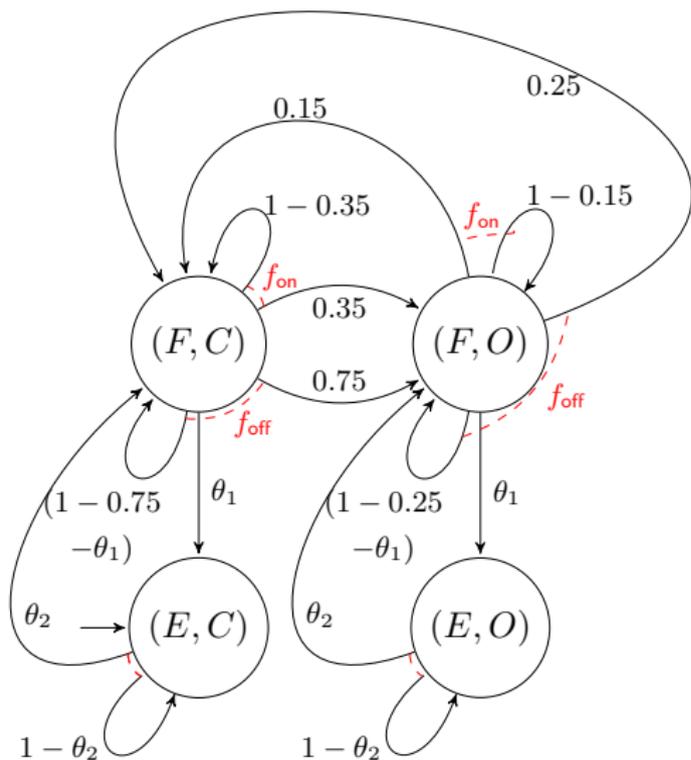
non – nested PCTL properties compatible with Storm

$$\mathbf{P}_{\geq 0.35} \neg (\text{true } \mathcal{U}^{\leq 20} (E, O))$$

$$\mathbf{P}_{\geq 0.5} (\text{true } \mathcal{U} (E, O))$$



Uncertain Markov Decision Process



Parametric Markov Decision Process (pMDP)

finite set of states

finite set of actions

finite set of initial states

$$\mathcal{M}_p = (S, A, \mathcal{T}_p, \iota, \Theta)$$

$$\mathcal{T}_p = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - \theta_2 & \theta_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.65 & 0.35 & 0 \\ \theta_1 & 1 - 0.75 - \theta_1 & 0.75 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.15 & 0.85 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.25 & 1 - 0.25 - \theta_1 & \theta_1 \\ 0 & 0 & \theta_2 & 1 - \theta_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

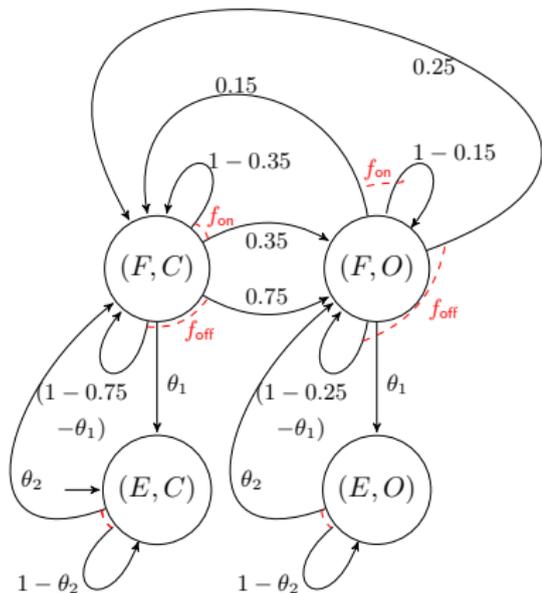
$$\Theta \subseteq [0, 1]^n = [0, 0.25] \times [0, 1]$$

Parameter synthesis: find values for parameters

$\theta \in \Theta$ s.t. induced model $\mathcal{M}(\theta)$ satisfies φ :

$$\Theta_\varphi = \{\theta \in \Theta : \mathcal{M}(\theta) \models \varphi\} \subseteq \Theta$$

We call Θ_φ the *feasible set*.



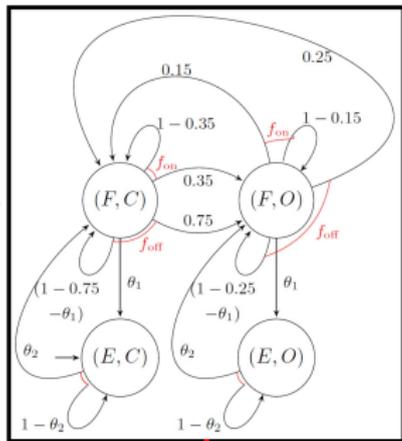
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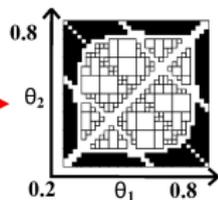


PCTL

$$\varphi = P_{>0.5}[\text{true } \mathcal{U}(E, O)]$$



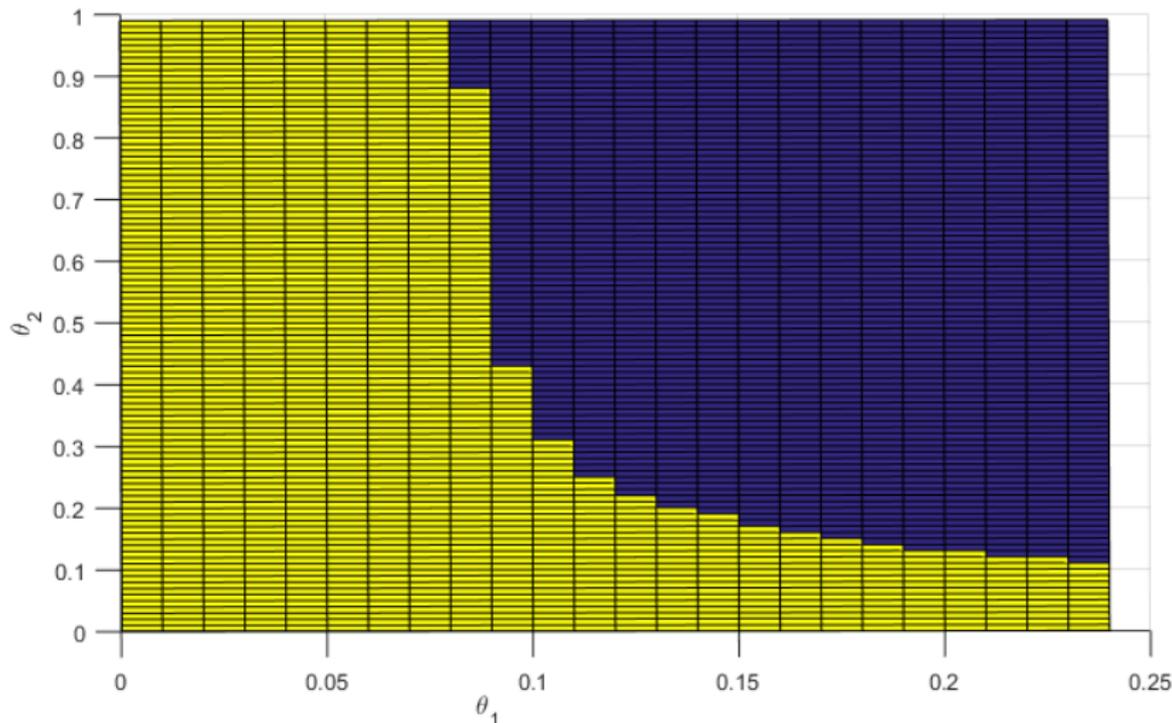
Probabilistic
Model
Checker



Regions \rightarrow Truth Values

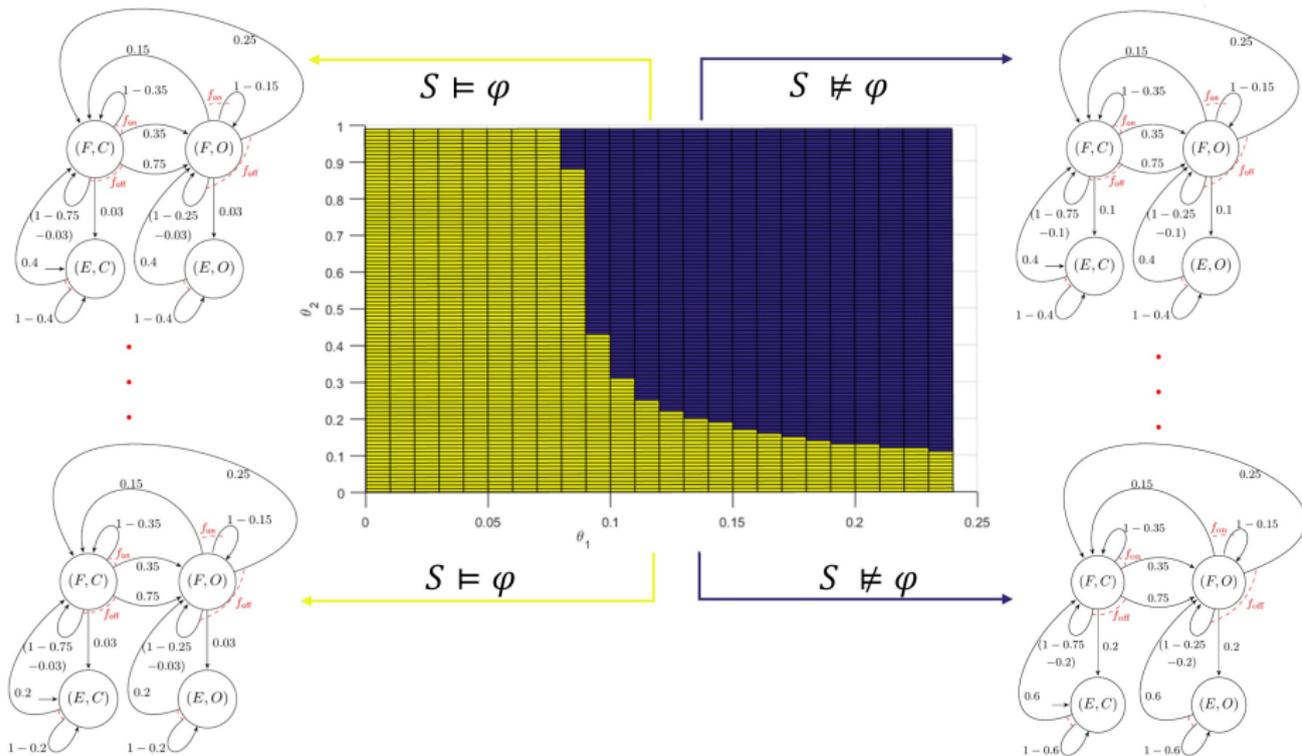
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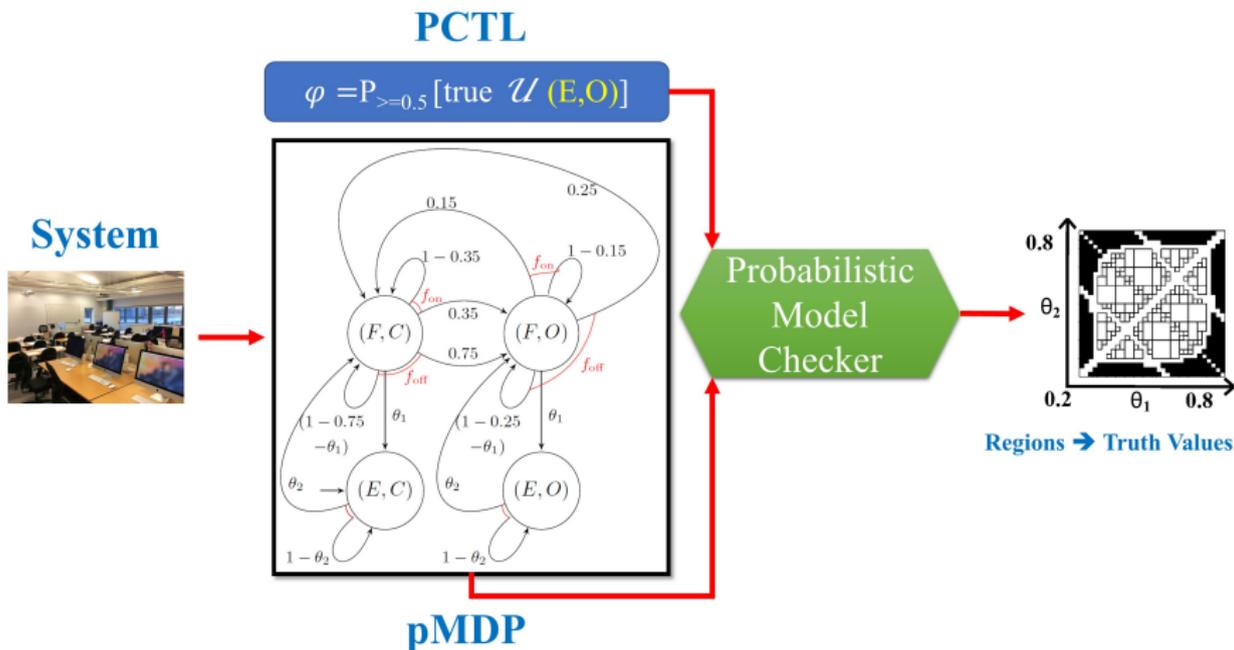


For the property $\varphi = \mathbf{P}_{>0.3}(\square^{\leq 20} \neg(E, O))$, synthesis yields the **feasible set** Θ_φ (yellow set) which contains all valuations of parameters that satisfy φ

Model Classification



Does the system satisfy the property?



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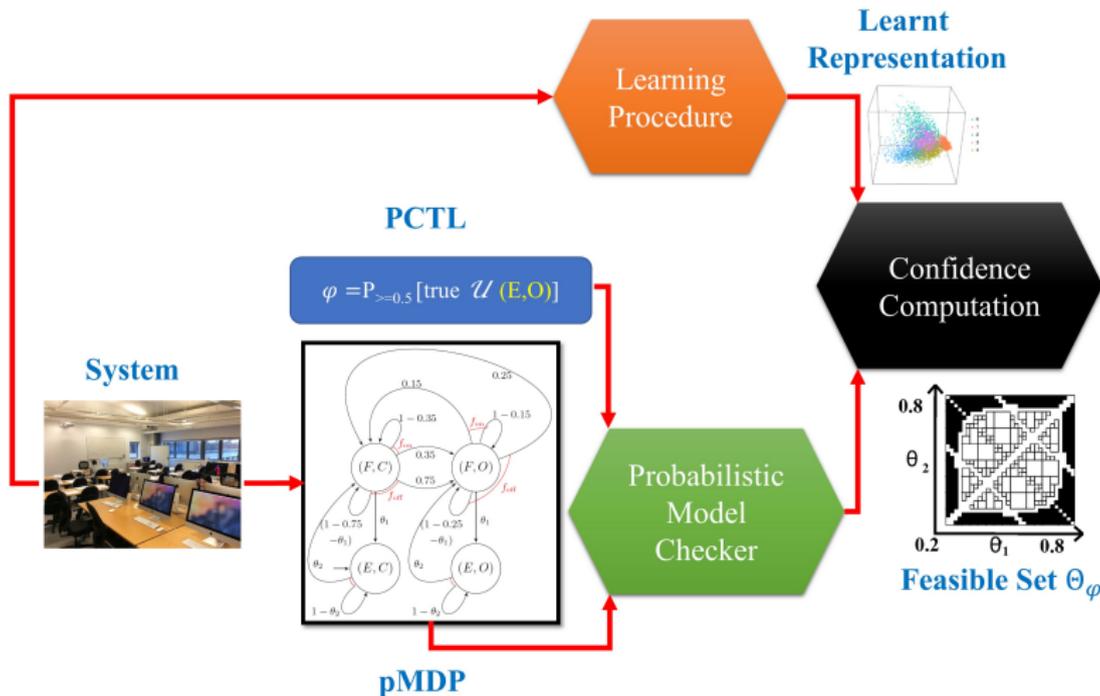
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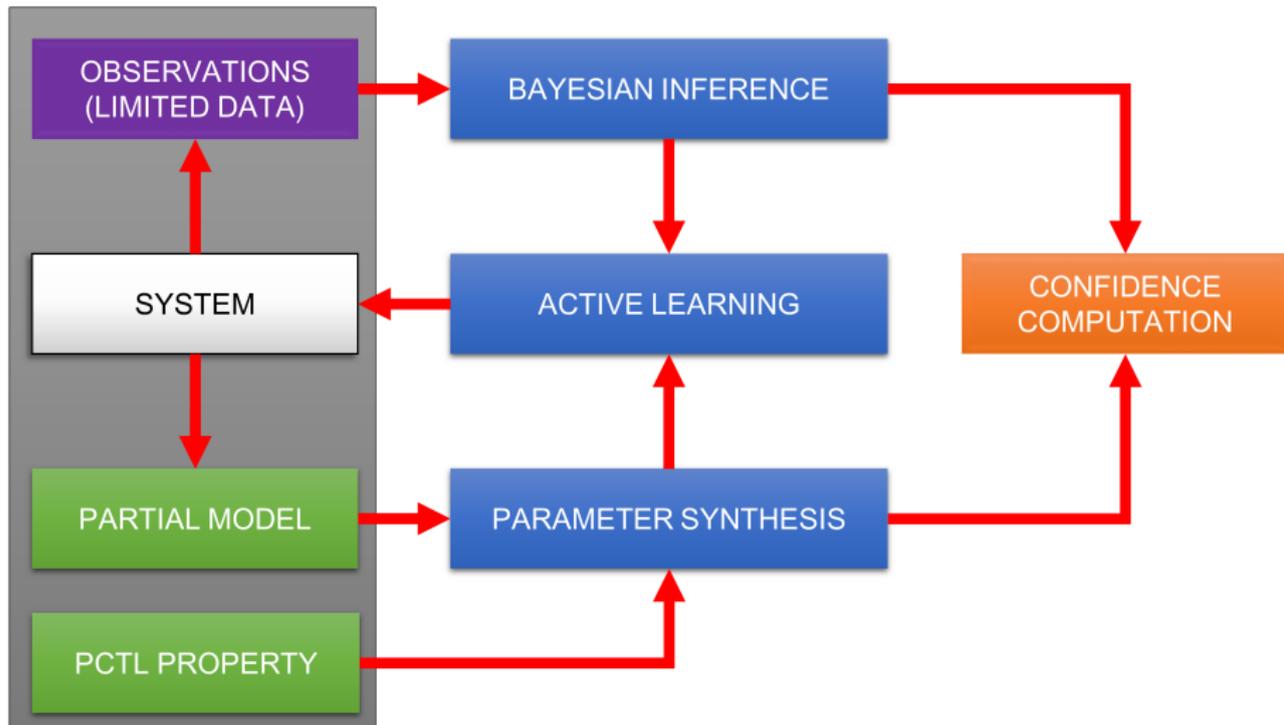
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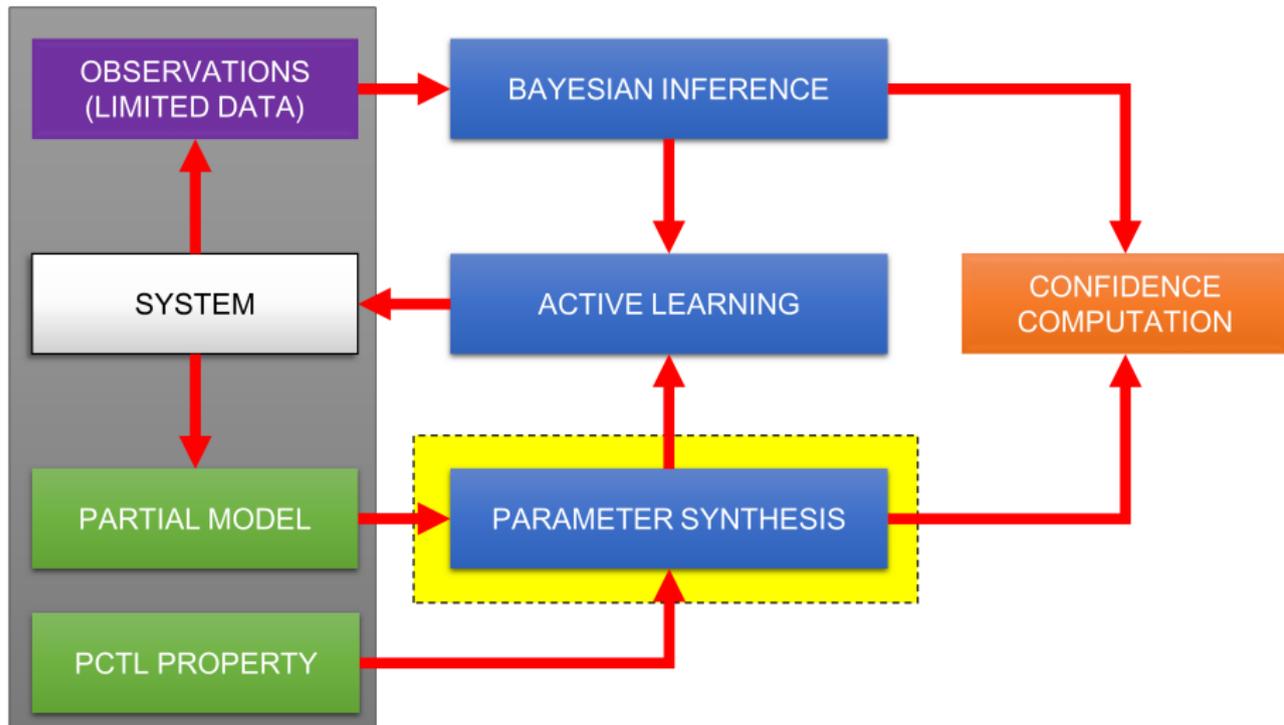
Incomplete knowledge in pMDP can complement the learning process



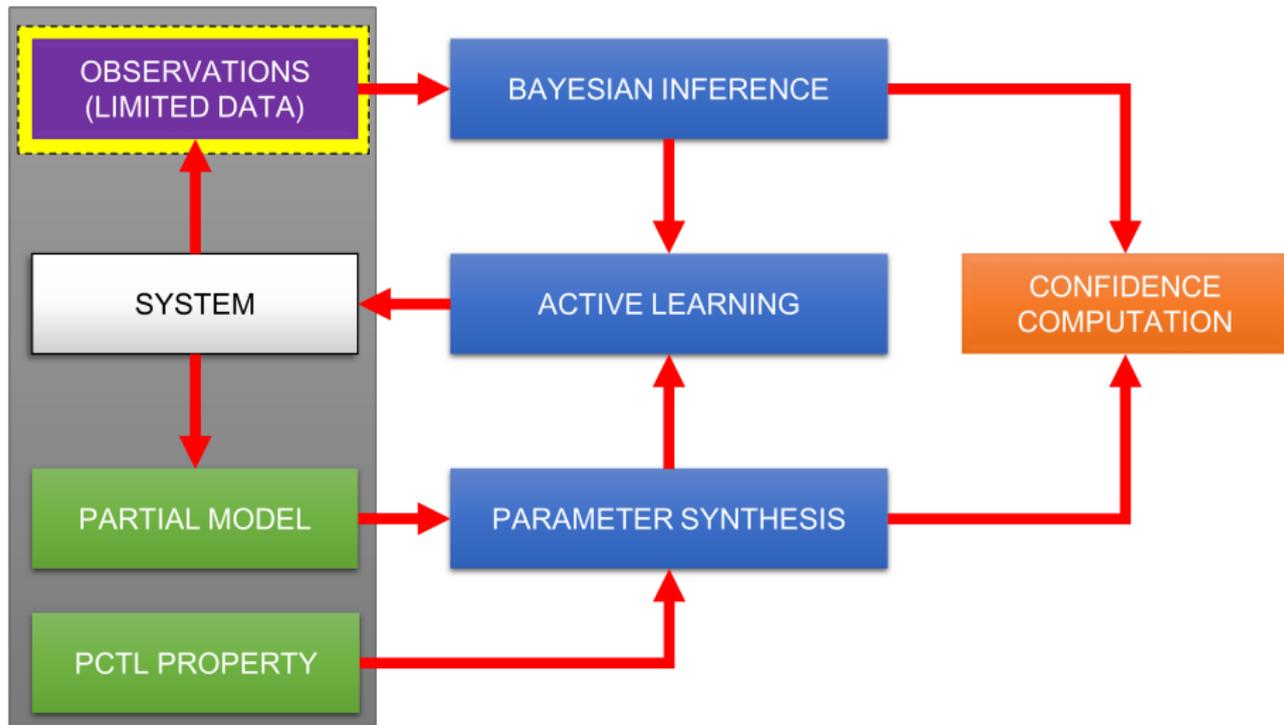
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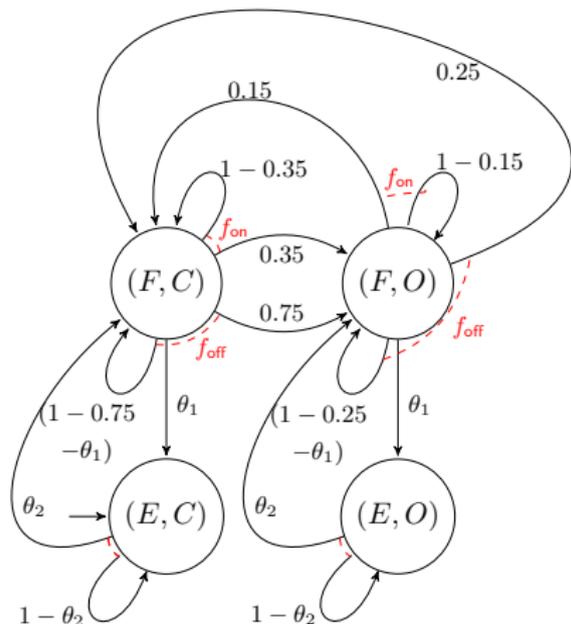


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Trace/Trajectory :

$$\{(E, C), \cdot\} \xrightarrow{\theta_2} \{(F, C), f_{\text{off}}\} \xrightarrow{1 - 0.75 - \theta_1} \{(F, C), f_{\text{off}}\} \xrightarrow{0.75} \{(F, O), f_{\text{off}}\} \xrightarrow{0.25} \{(F, C), f_{\text{off}}\} \xrightarrow{\theta_1} \{(E, C), \cdot\} \xrightarrow{1 - \theta_2} \{(E, C), \cdot\} \dots$$

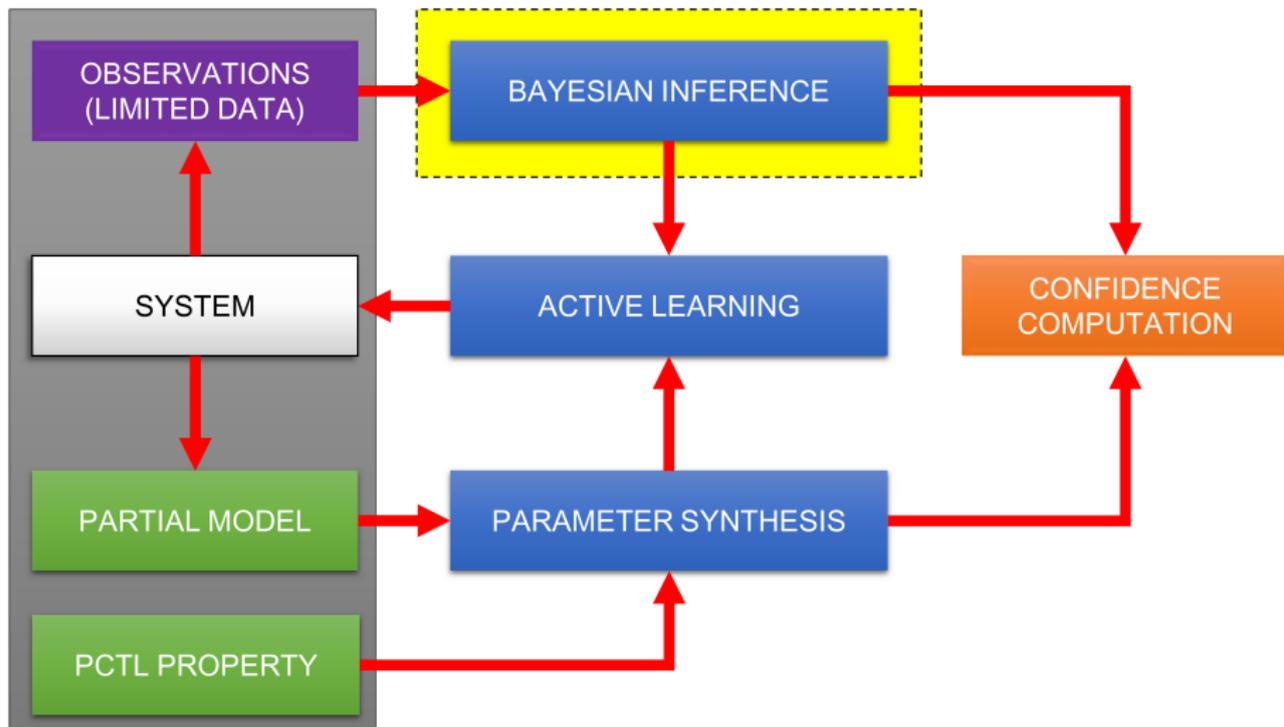
Group **transition counts** by parameter for $\exists \bar{s} \in S : \mathcal{T}_p(s, a, \bar{s}) = \theta_i$

$$C(\theta_i) = \sum C_{s,s'}^a \text{ for } \mathcal{T}_p(s, a, s') = \theta_i$$

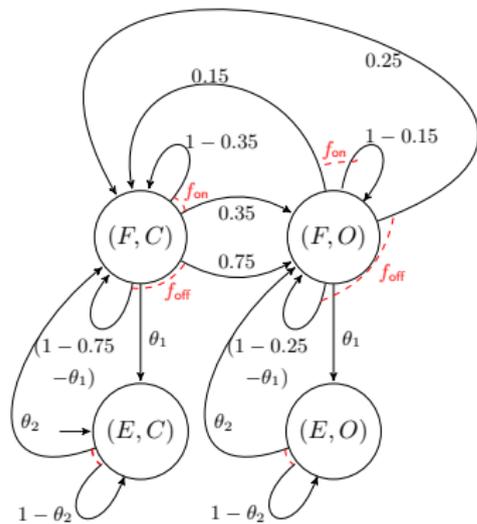
$$C'(\theta_i) = \sum C_{s,s'}^a \text{ for } \mathcal{T}_p(s, a, s') \neq \theta_i$$

$$\bar{C}(\theta_i) = C(\theta_i), C'(\theta_i)$$

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Bayesian Inference



$$P(\theta_i | \mathcal{D}) = \frac{P(\mathcal{D} | \theta_i)P(\theta_i)}{P(\mathcal{D})}$$

observed

$$= \frac{P(\theta_i)\theta_i^{C(\theta_i)}(1 - \theta_i)^{C'(\theta_i)}}{P(\bar{C}(\theta_i))}$$

prior

binomial

Select a conjugate prior - **Beta distribution**:

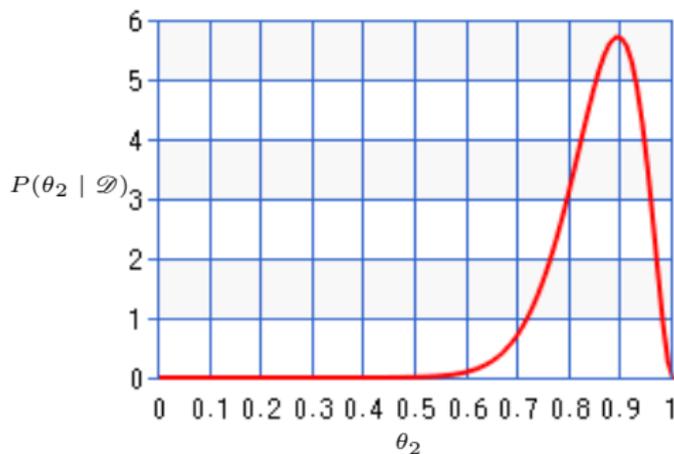
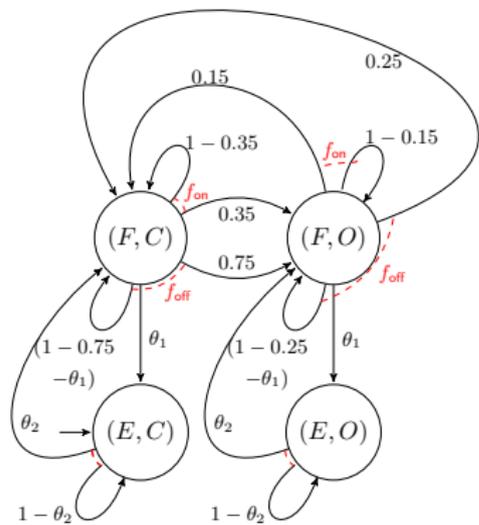
$$P(\theta_i) = \text{Beta}(\theta_i; \omega) \propto \theta_i^{\alpha-1}(1 - \theta_i)^{\beta-1}$$

for pair $(\theta_i, 1 - \theta_i)$, with $\omega = (\alpha, \beta)$ hyperparameters

Under Beta prior, **posterior update is analytic**:

$$P(\theta_i | \mathcal{D}) = \text{Beta}(\theta_i; \bar{C}(\theta_i) + \omega) \propto \theta_i^{C(\theta_i)}(1 - \theta_i)^{C'(\theta_i)}$$

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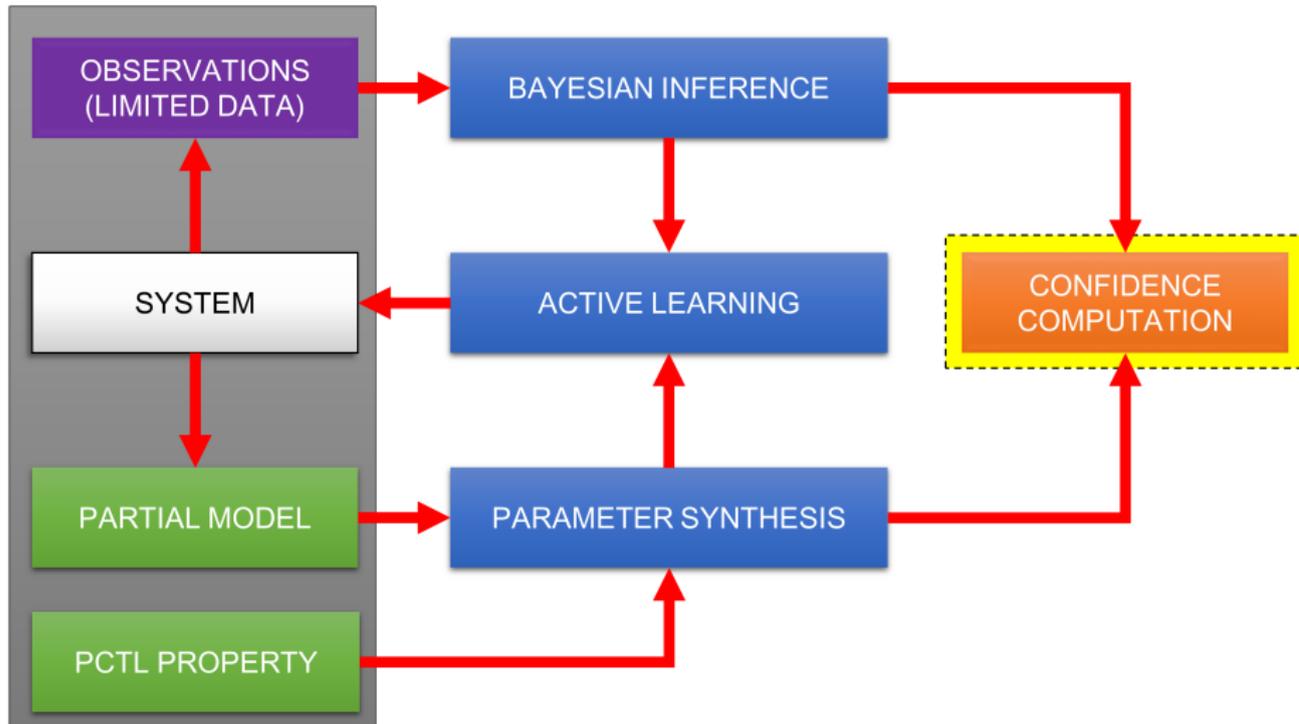
With prior $\alpha = (1, 1)$

$$P(\theta_2 | \mathcal{D}) = \text{Beta}(\theta_2; 18, 3)$$

Consider (E, C) and (E, O)

- Observe $\theta_2 \rightarrow C(\theta_2) = 17$
- Observe $(1 - \theta_2) \rightarrow C'(\theta_2) = 2$

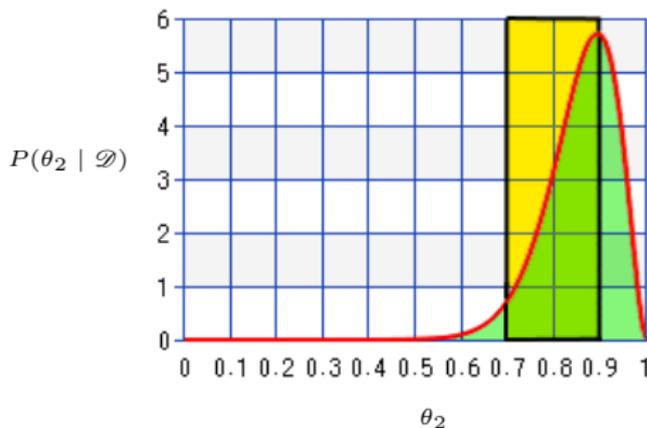
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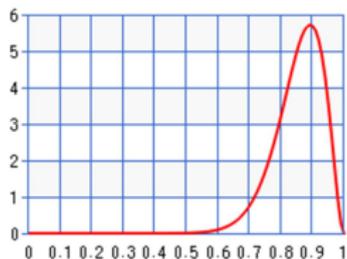
Confidence \mathcal{C} on whether the system S satisfies the property φ :

$$\mathcal{C} = \mathbb{P}(S \models \varphi \mid \mathcal{D}) = \int_{\Theta_\varphi} P(\theta \mid \mathcal{D}) d\theta$$

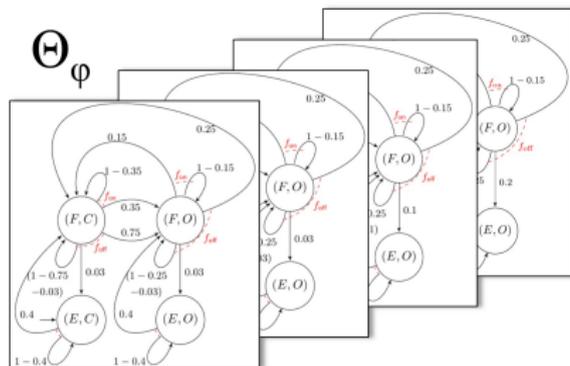


Confidence Computation

$P(\theta | D)$



Confidence



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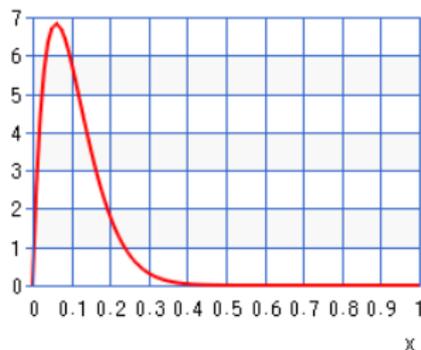
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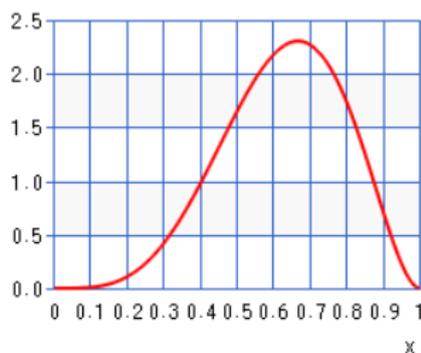
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Employs the joint space of states and information

Information State (Memory) $\mathbf{m} = s_0 a_0 s_1 a_1 s_2 a_2 \dots$

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finite set of actions

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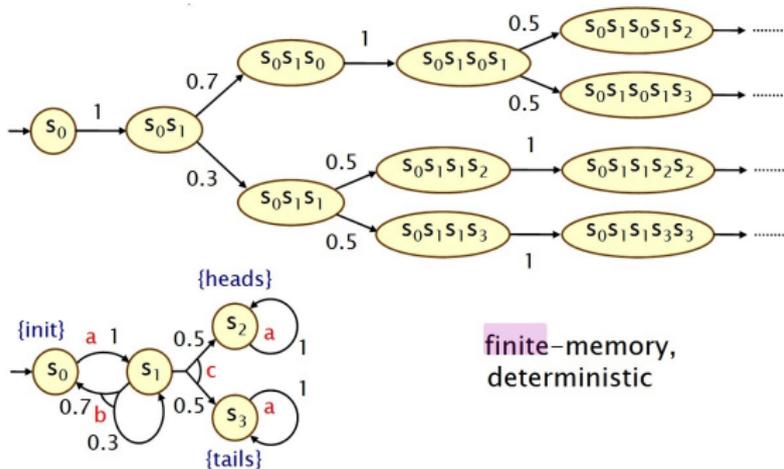
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Classification of Strategies

Memoryless strategy: $a_t = \pi(s_t), \forall t > 0$

Finite-memory strategy: There are finitely many **modes** M s.t. $a_t = \hat{\pi}(s_t, m_t), \forall t > 0$ where $m_t \in M$ is the current mode



Choose b then c in s_1

Figure courtesy of Marta Kwiatkowska

Reward Function

Data-Efficiency: want to **maximise** the **information content** of the observations

Need **immediate rewards**:- **immediate confidence gain**:

$$r_{t+1} = |0.5 - \mathcal{C}_{t+1}| - |0.5 - \mathcal{C}_t|$$

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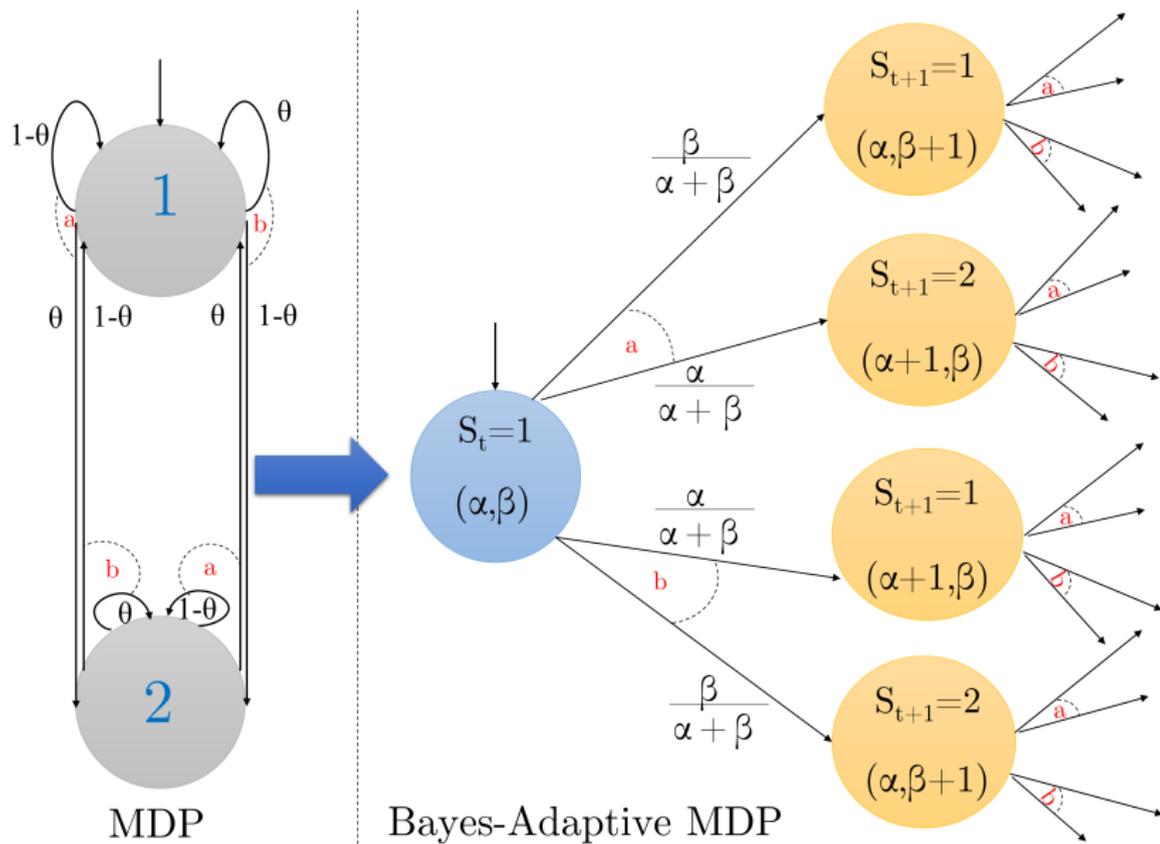
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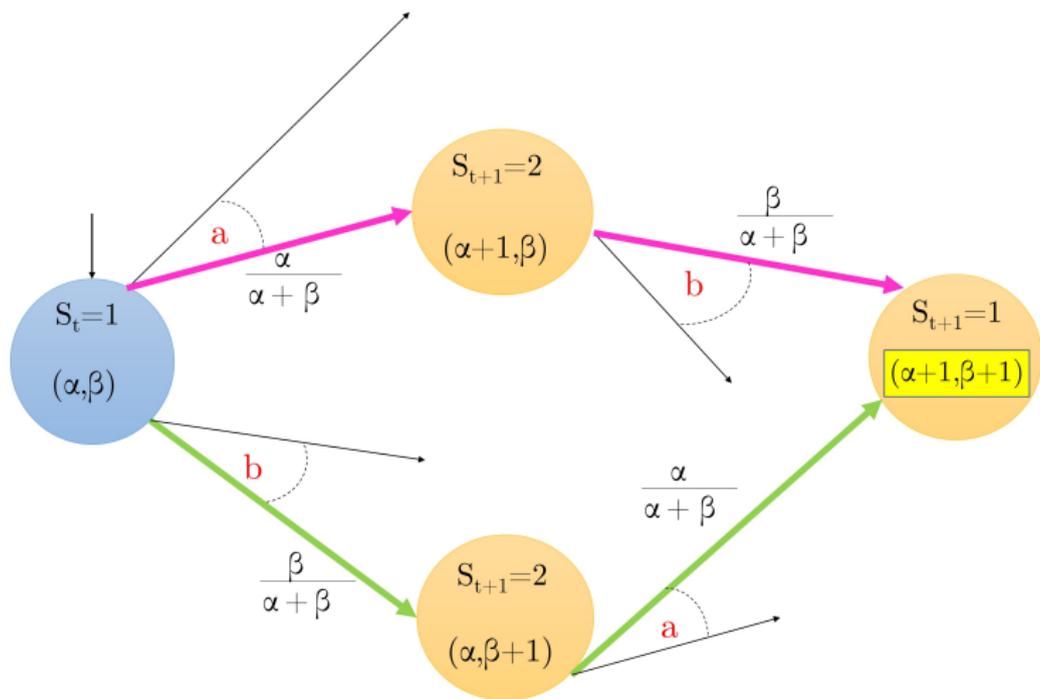
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System Verification

Integrated Learning and Verification Framework

Active Learning

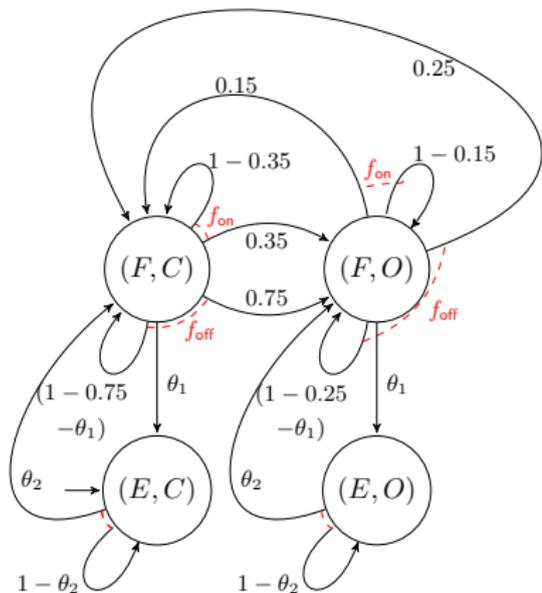
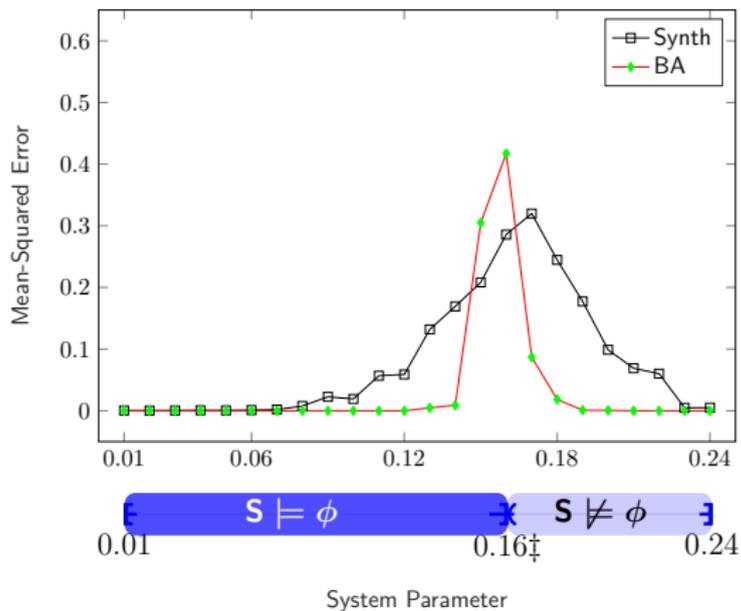
Bayes-Adaptive Reinforcement Learning

Evaluation and Conclusions

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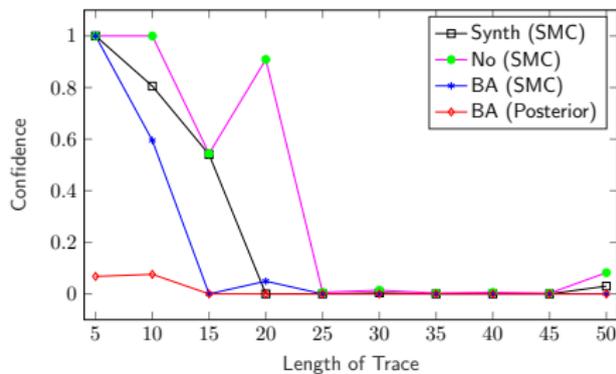
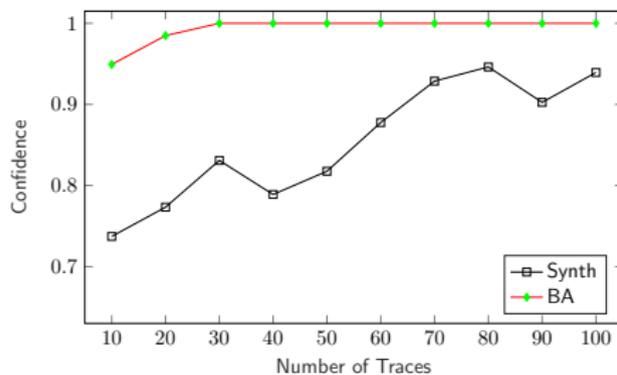
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System Parameter $\theta_* = (\theta_1 = \theta_2)$



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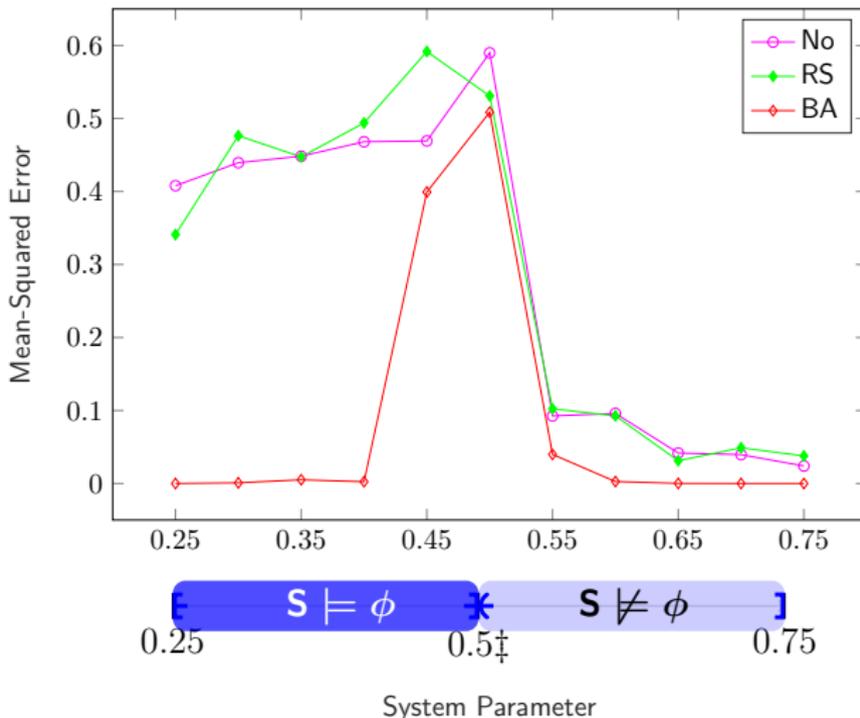
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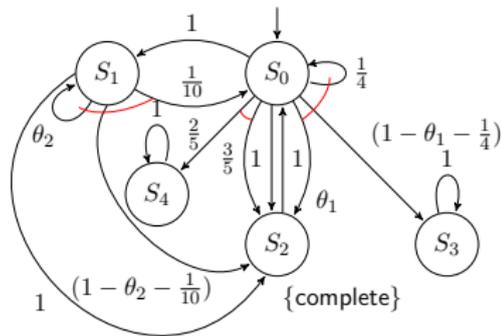
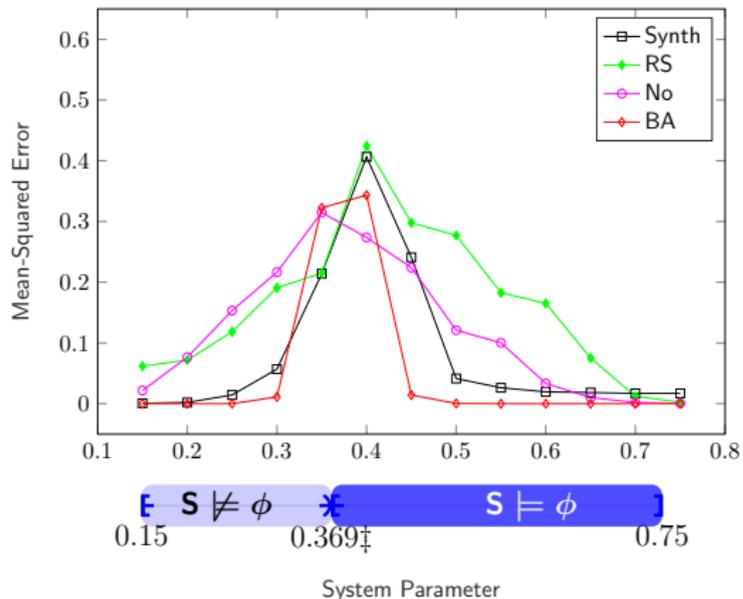
$P_{\geq 0.25}(\text{true } \mathcal{U} \text{ (finished \& allCoinsEqualToOne)})$

4112 states 7692 transitions

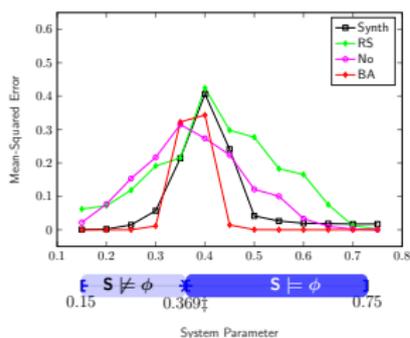


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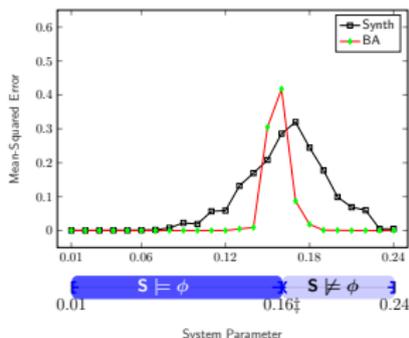
$P_{\geq 0.5}(\text{true } \mathcal{U} \text{ complete})$



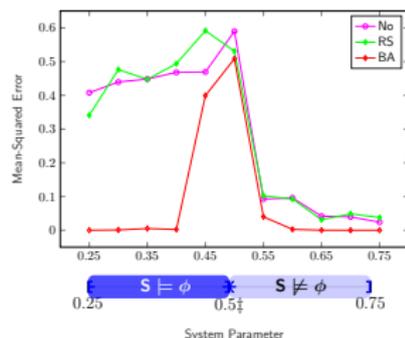
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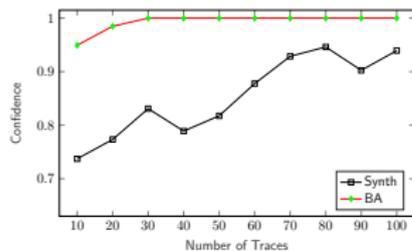
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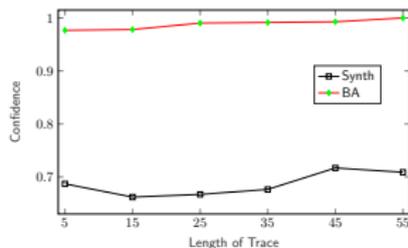
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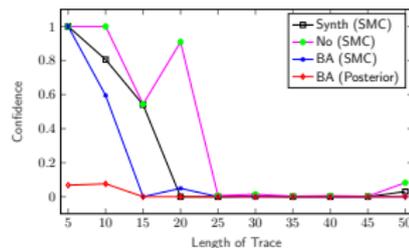
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(d) Case 2 ($\theta_* = 0.13, l_{20}$)



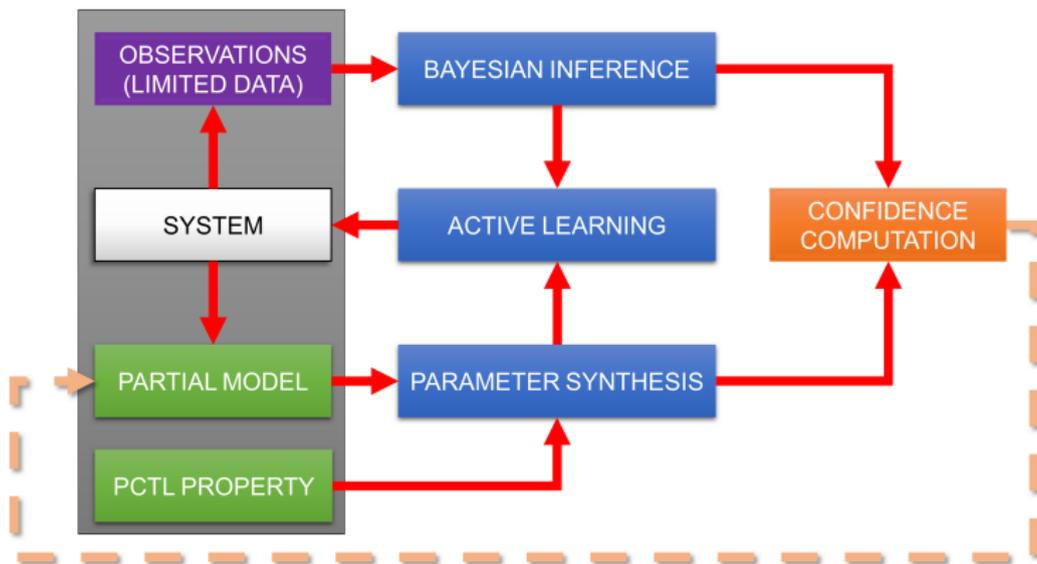
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(f) Case 2 ($\theta_* = 0.24, t_{10}$)

Takeaway Message

Verification of physical systems: **Integrated learning and verification**



Conclusions

- ▶ Our approach is able to gather more **useful data**
- ▶ **Robust** to the amount of data gathered
- ▶ Can work with much **shorter horizons**
- ▶ Can handle **large MDP** models
- ▶ Takes into account **memory** when calculating optimal strategies
- ▶ Actions are **exclusively selected** for learning tasks

Future Work

- ▶ **Tune/repair** model until a decisive confidence is achieved
- ▶ Actions can affect **model classification** as well



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