

# Learning General and Efficient Representations of Novel Games through Interactive Instruction

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# Extensions to Game Learning

- 1) Expand the diversity and complexity of tasks to seventeen games
- 2) Increase the transfer of knowledge between tasks through **hierarchical compositions of concepts**
- 3) Decrease the processing time required to process instructions, learn new tasks, and execute those tasks through **chunking**
- 4) Allow Rosie to learn many tasks in succession without suffering substantial slowdown as knowledge is acquired

# Old vs. New

## Previous Rosie:

move 1 on 2

*What type of object is parameter 1?*

block

*Please list all the constraints for this parameter.*

it is red

it is not on a location

finished

*what type of object is parameter 2?*

location

*Please list all the constraints for this parameter.*

it is not below a location

finished

## Extended Version:

You can move a free red block onto a clear location.

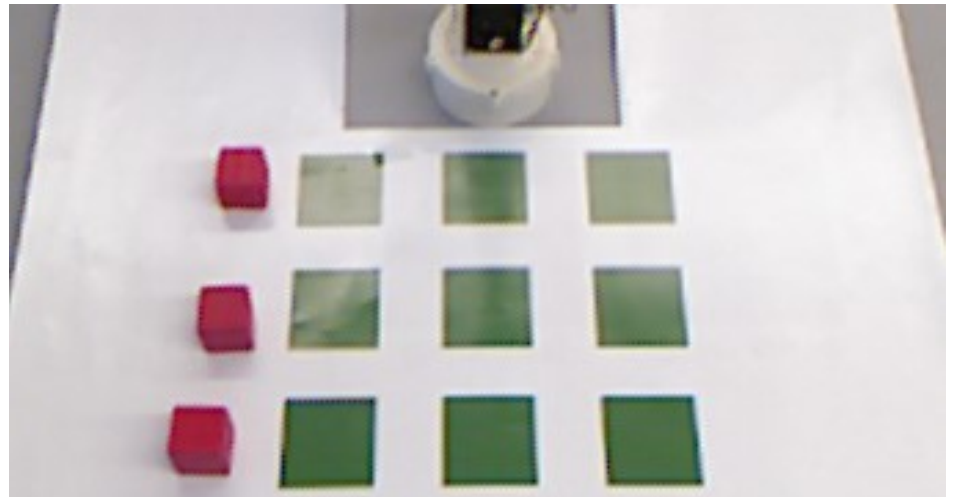
*I don't know the concept 'free'.*

If a block is not on a location then it is free.

*Ok, I've learned the concept free.*

*Does 'clear' mean that it is not below a block?*

Yes.



# Task Concept Representation

- A task concept: action, goal, failure, or new predicate is defined by
  - A linguistic term (“stacked”, “three-in-a-row”, “clear”)
  - A conjunction of predicate tests ( $clear(X) \wedge block(X) \wedge \dots$ )
  - Usage specific to the type (action -> proposal, goal -> success, failure -> terminal state ...)
- Objects
  - Physical objects ( $o_1, o_2, \dots$ )
  - Numbers ( $n_1, n_2, \dots$ )
  - Strings ( $s_1, s_2, \dots$ )
  - Sets of objects ( $O_1, O_2, \dots$ )
- Predicates  $p(x, \dots)$ 
  - Unary features: *red, large, block, location, clear*
  - N-ary relations: *on, behind, between*
- Functions  $y = f(x..)$  represented by predicate  $p(y, x..)$ 
  - *number-of, attribute-of, sum*

# Concept Learning Process

1. Structure Learning
  - a. Natural Language Processing
  - b. Declarative Predicate Structure Construction
2. Interpretation Phase
  - a. Predicate Matching (Grounding)
  - b. Joining (Satisfying)
  - c. Application (Usage Matching)
3. Dynamic Compilation through Chunking

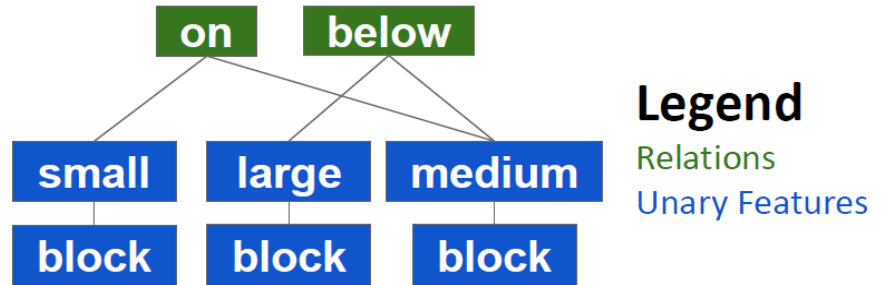
We will illustrate this process on the following goal sentence:

*The goal is that a small block is on a medium block and a large block is below the medium block.*

# Structure Learning

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## Predicate representation:

$$\begin{aligned} &small(x_1) \wedge block(x_1) \wedge \\ &medium(x_2) \wedge block(x_2) \wedge \\ &large(x_3) \wedge block(x_3) \wedge \\ &below(x_3, x_2) \wedge on(x_1, x_2) \end{aligned}$$


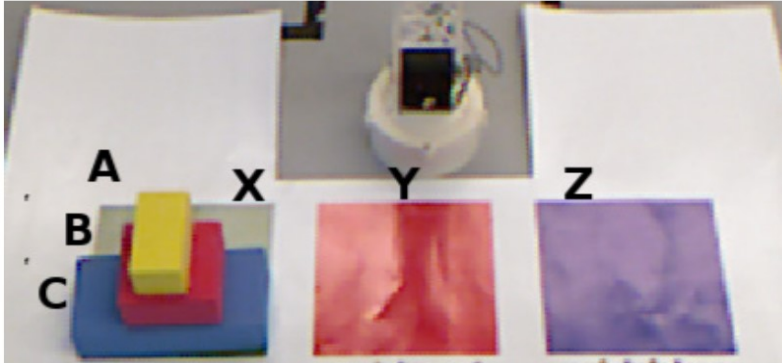
From predicate conjunction a declarative tree structure is built for efficient bottom to top evaluation

For each predicate:

1. Added to structure on top of last reference to tested object
2. Stored as last reference to tested object ( $x_n$ )
3. Leaf nodes (first references) will be evaluated directly against the world

Iterates through predicates based on arity: unary, binary, n-ary

# Interpretation

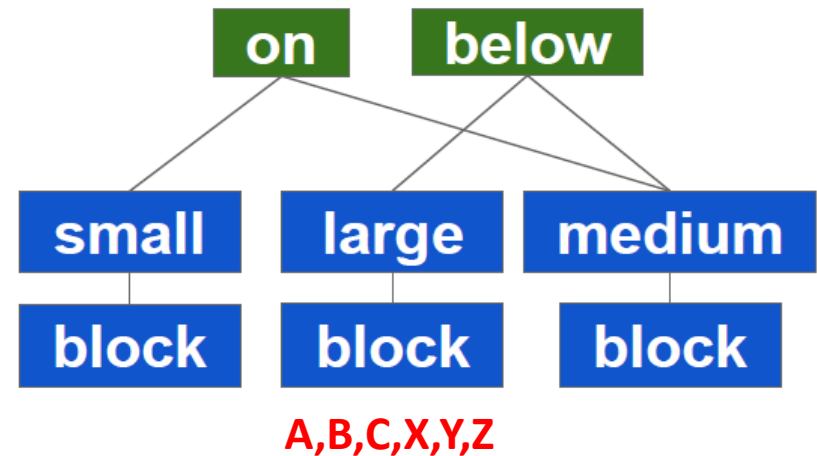


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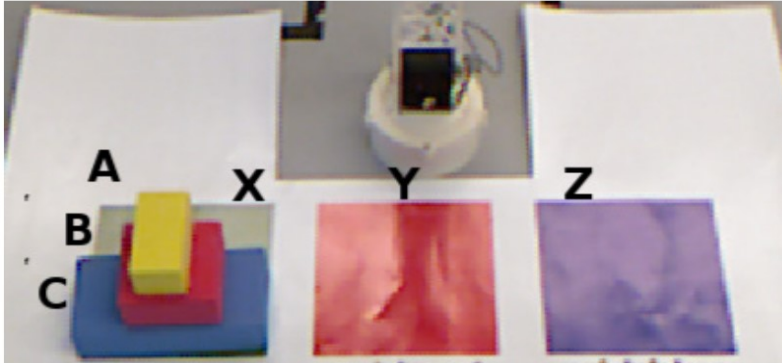
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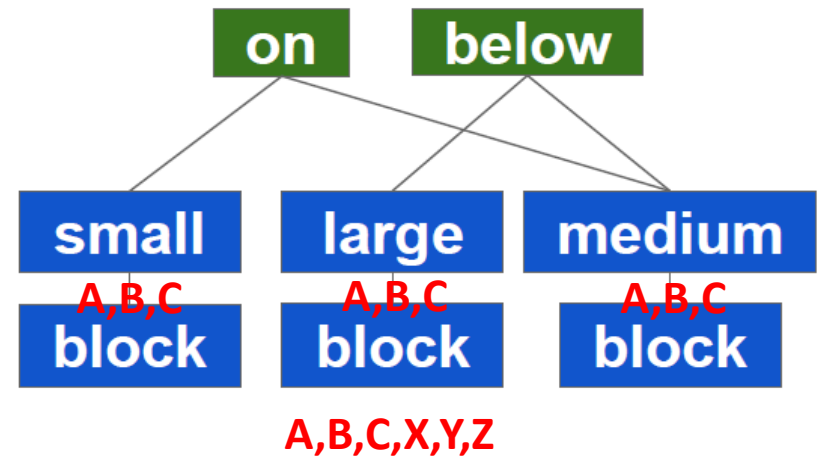


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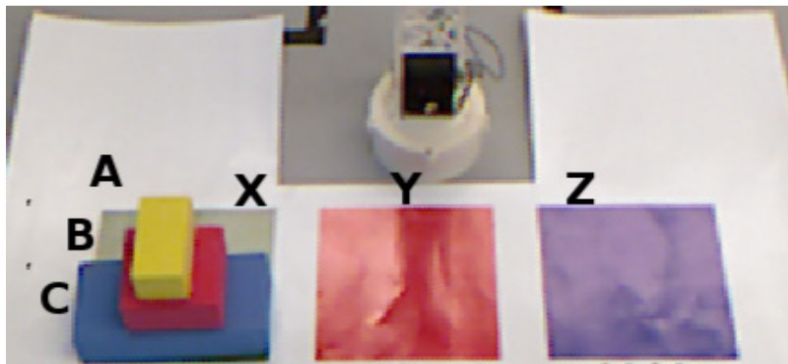
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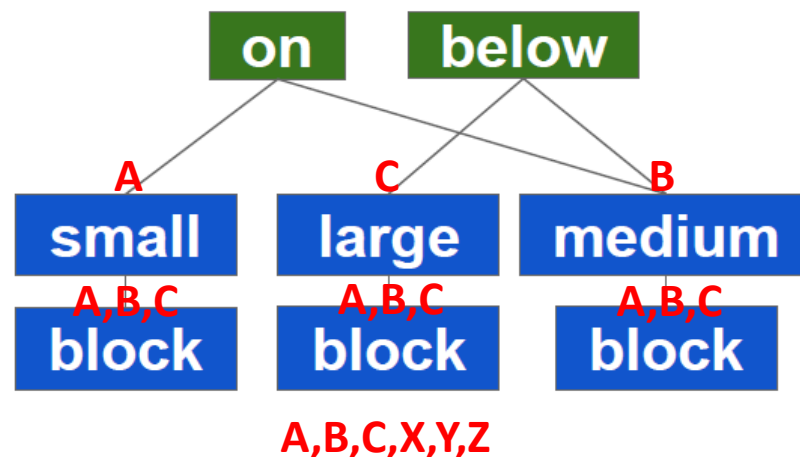
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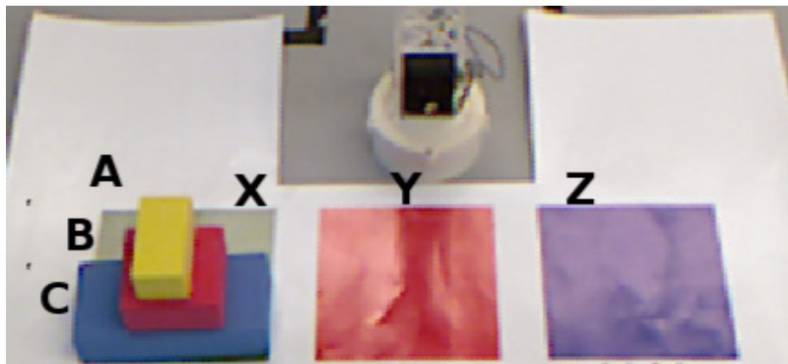
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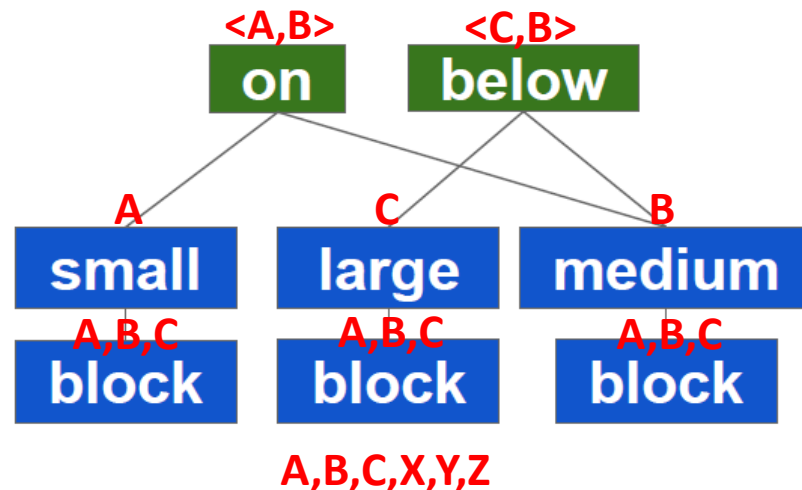
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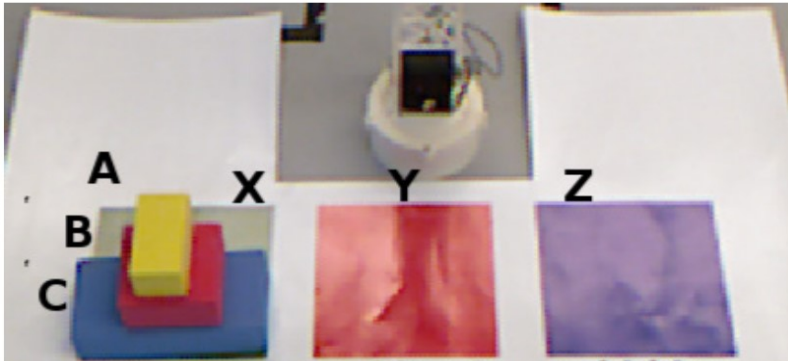
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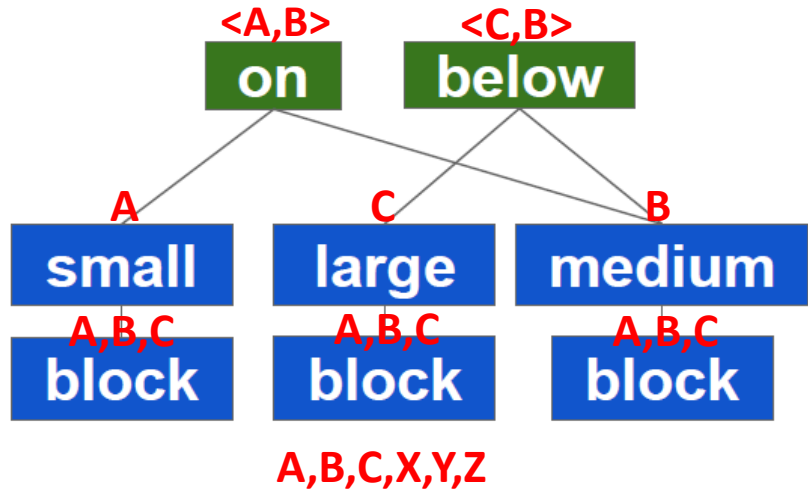
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- Joining, Satisfying

- Evaluate intersection of results from predicate matching
- Result is the objects and values that satisfy all constraints

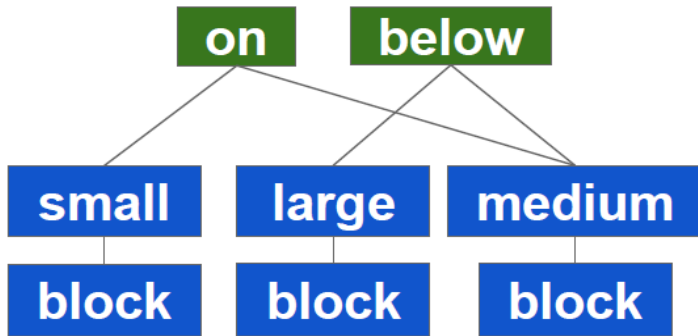


- Application

- Goal: detection of goal/winning
- Action: proposal of available actions
- Failure: detection of terminal state/losing
- New predicates: successful predicate match

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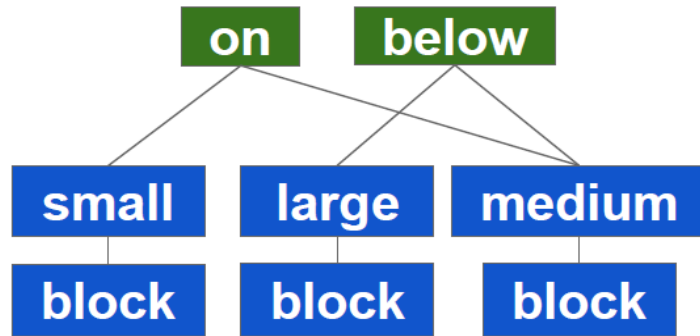
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```
sp {chunk*justification-641*t1279-1
  :chunk
  (state <s1> ^gtype <c2> ^<c2> <a1>)
  (<a1> ^condition <c3>)
  (<c3> ^name <block1> ^attribute <category> ^rtype single
    ^type attribute ^args <a2> ^parameter <p1>
    ^result.set <p2>)
  (<p1> ^num { < 2 <c7> })
  (<a2> ^1 <c8>)
  (<c8> ^result.set <r3>)
  (<r3> ^instance <i1>)
  (<i1> ^1 <n1>)
  (<n1> ^predicates <p3>)
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  -->
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}
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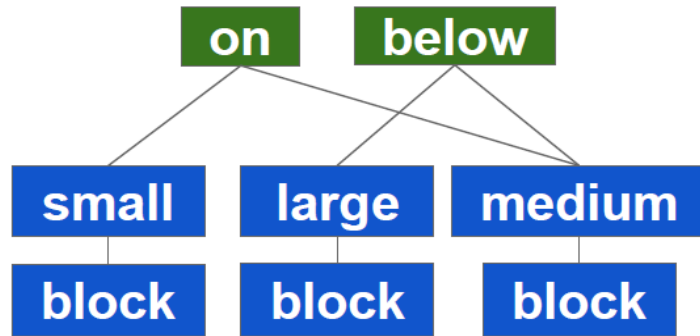
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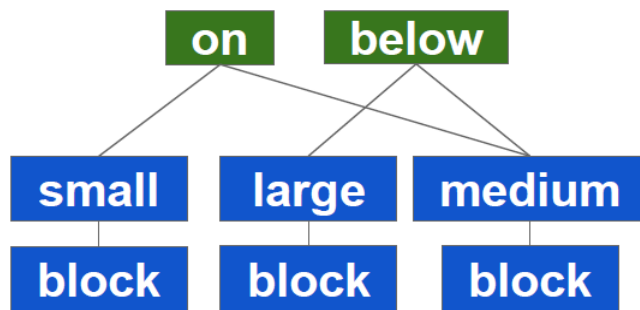
- Predicate Matching



```
sp {chunk*justification-680*t1284-1
:chunk
(state <s1> ^list <l1> ^type <goal> ^<goal> <a1>
^world <n1>)
(<a1> ^condition <n6>)
(<n6> ^name <on1> ^rtype single ^type spatial-preposition ^args <a2>
^negative false ^result.set <p5> ^parameter <p2>)
(<a2> ^num 2 ^2 <c5> ^1 <c6>)
(<p2> ^num 2)
(<c5> -^rtype set ^result.set <p3>)
(<c6> -^rtype set ^result.set <p4>)
(<l1> ^game <g1>)
(<n1> ^predicates <p1>)
(<p1> ^predicate <n2>)
(<n2> ^handle <c2> ^instance <n3>)
(<n3> ^2 <n4> ^1 <n5>)
(<p4> ^instance <i2>)
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(<p3> ^instance <i1>)
(<i1> ^1 <n4>)
-->
(<p5> ^instance <i3> +)
(<i3> ^2 <n4> + ^1 <n5> +)
}
```

# Chunking

- Application: Term and structure linking



```
sp {chunk-multi*chunk-game-impasse*apply*complete*snc*t2417-2
:chunk
(state <s1> ^retrieve-game blocks-world)
-->
(<s1> ^retrieve-handle stacked-up2 +)
}

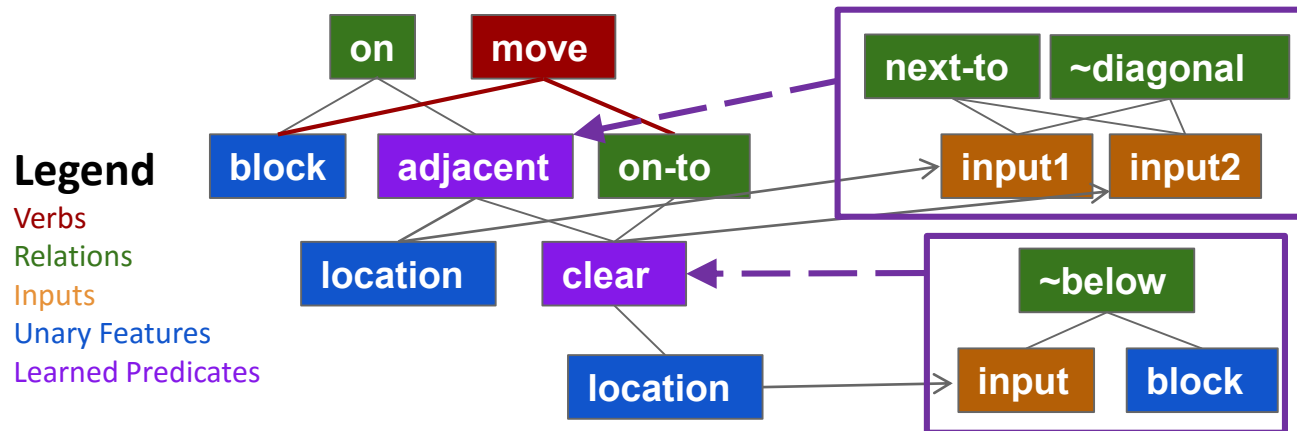
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(<p13> ^conditions <n1> + ^conditions <n2> +)
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^rtype single +)
(<a4> ^1 <c1> + ^2 <c4> + ^num 2 +)
(<c1> ^type attribute + ^name small11 + ^attribute size + ^result <r2> +
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(<a11> ^1 <c8> + ^num 1 +)
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^result <r12> + ^parameter <p26> + ^negative false + ^args <a10> +
^rtype single +)
(<a10> ^1 <c9> + ^num 1 +)
.
.
.
}
```

# Action Example

> If a **block** is **on** a **location** that is **adjacent** to a **clear location** then you can **move** the **block** onto the **clear location**.

*I don't know the concept adjacent.*

> If a **location** is **next to** a **clear location** but it is **not diagonal** with the **clear location** then it is **adjacent** to the **clear location**.





# Learned Predicates

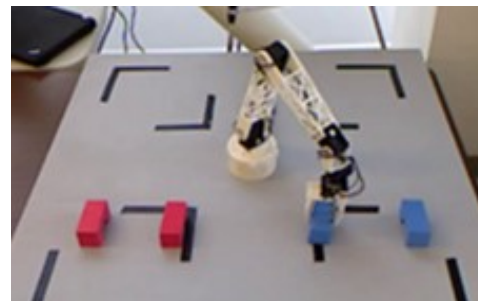
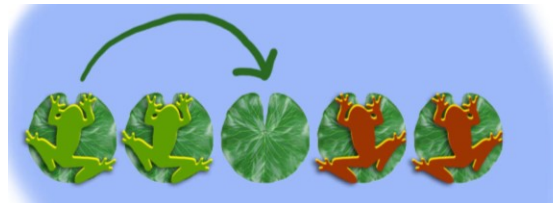
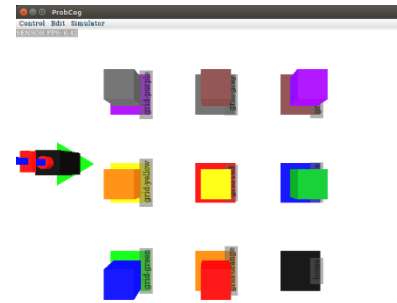
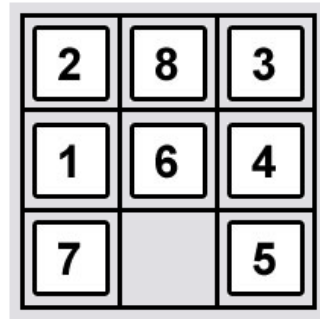
- From composition of primitives can learn many new types of knowledge
  - Learned concepts can be
    - General across domains (clear)
    - Task/domain specific (matched, yours)
    - Mapping is many-to-many
  - Prepositions
    - adjacent
  - Labels
    - captured, your, current
  - Functions
    - passenger-of, husband-of
  - Synonyms, Antonyms, and Homonyms
    - huge, crimson
    - clear and covered
    - matched
- If a location is below your block then it is **captured**.
- If a block is red then it is **your** block.
- If a bank is below the boat then it is the **current** bank.
- If an object is on a boat then it is a **passenger of** the boat.
- If the last-name of a woman is the last-name of a man then the man is the **husband of** the woman.
- If a block is large then it is **huge**.
- If an object is below a block then it is **covered**.
- If the value of a location is the value of the tile that is on the location then the location is **matched**.
- If the color of a location is the color of the block that is on the location then the location is **matched**.

# More Sentence Examples

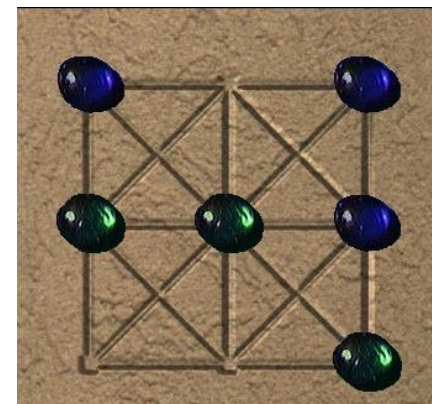
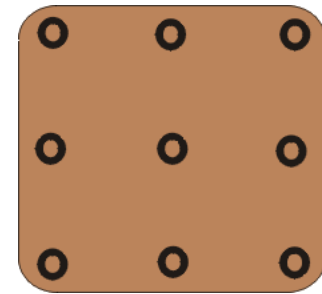
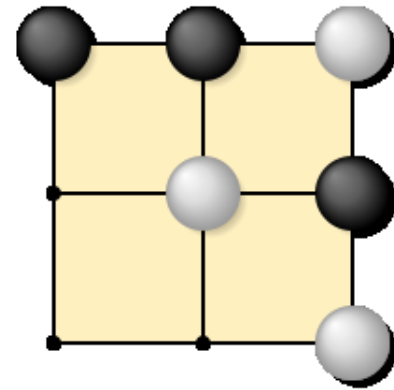
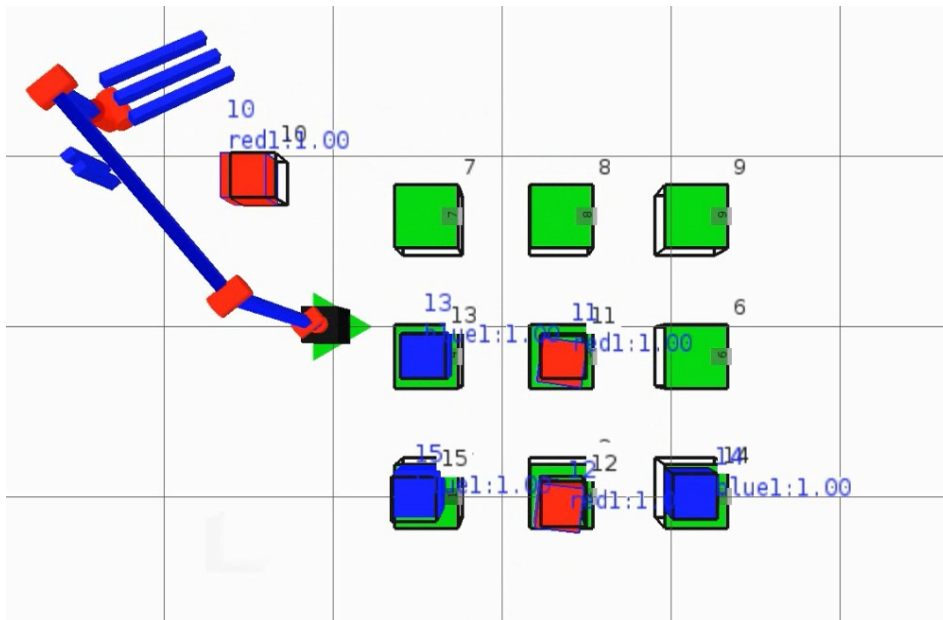
1. You can move a clear block onto a clear location. [Blocks World]
2. The goal is that there are eight matched locations. [Eight Puzzle]
3. If the number of cannibals on a bank is more than the number of missionaries on the bank then you lose. [Missionaries and Cannibals]
4. The goal is that all locations are covered and the number of captured locations is more than the number of occupied locations. [Othello]
5. If the locations between a clear location and a captured location are occupied then you can move a free red block onto the clear location. [Othello]
6. If a woman is on a bank and the husband of the woman is not on the bank and another man is on the bank then you lose. [Jealous Husbands]
7. You can move a passenger of the boat onto the current bank. [Fox Puzzle]
8. The goal is that all the red blocks are on the red locations and all the blue blocks are on the blue locations. [Frogs and Toads]

# 17 Games

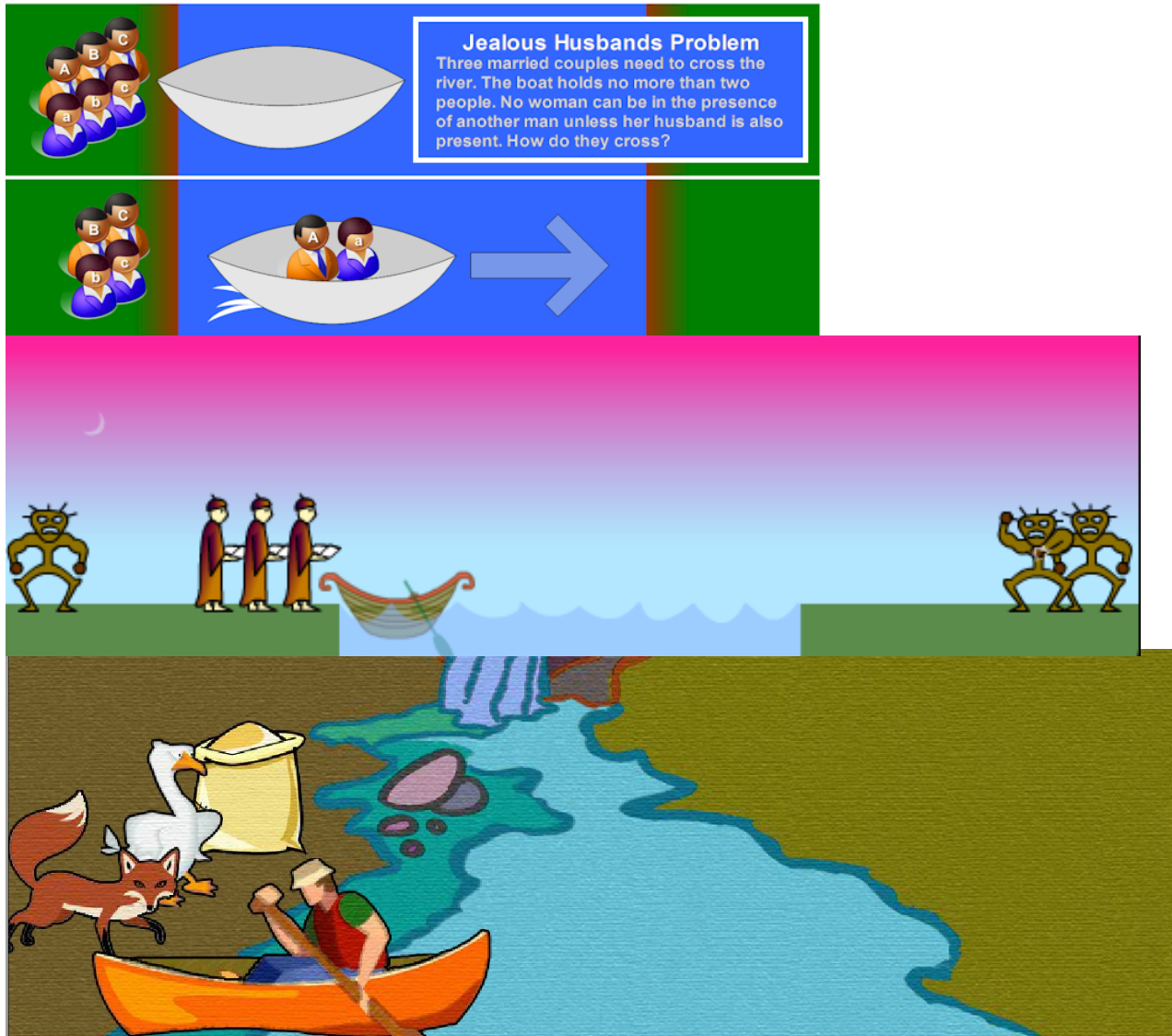
- Missionaries and Cannibals
- Jealous Husbands problem
- Frogs and Toads puzzle
- Eight Puzzle
- Five Puzzle
- Tower of Hanoi (3 blocks)
- Tower of Hanoi (4 blocks)
- Fox Puzzle
- Tic-Tac-Toe
- Othello
- Three Men's Morris
- Picaria
- Nine Holes
- Simplified Risk
- Mahjong Solitaire
- Simple Maze
- Blocks World



# 3x3 Board Games

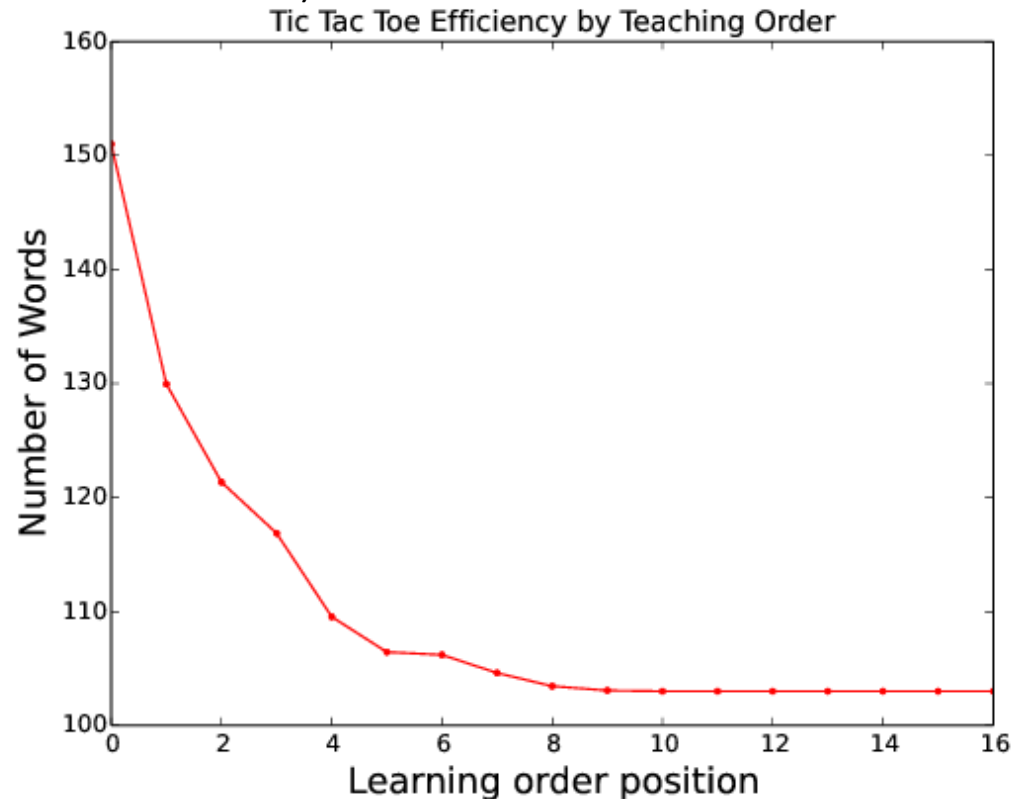


# River Crossing Puzzles

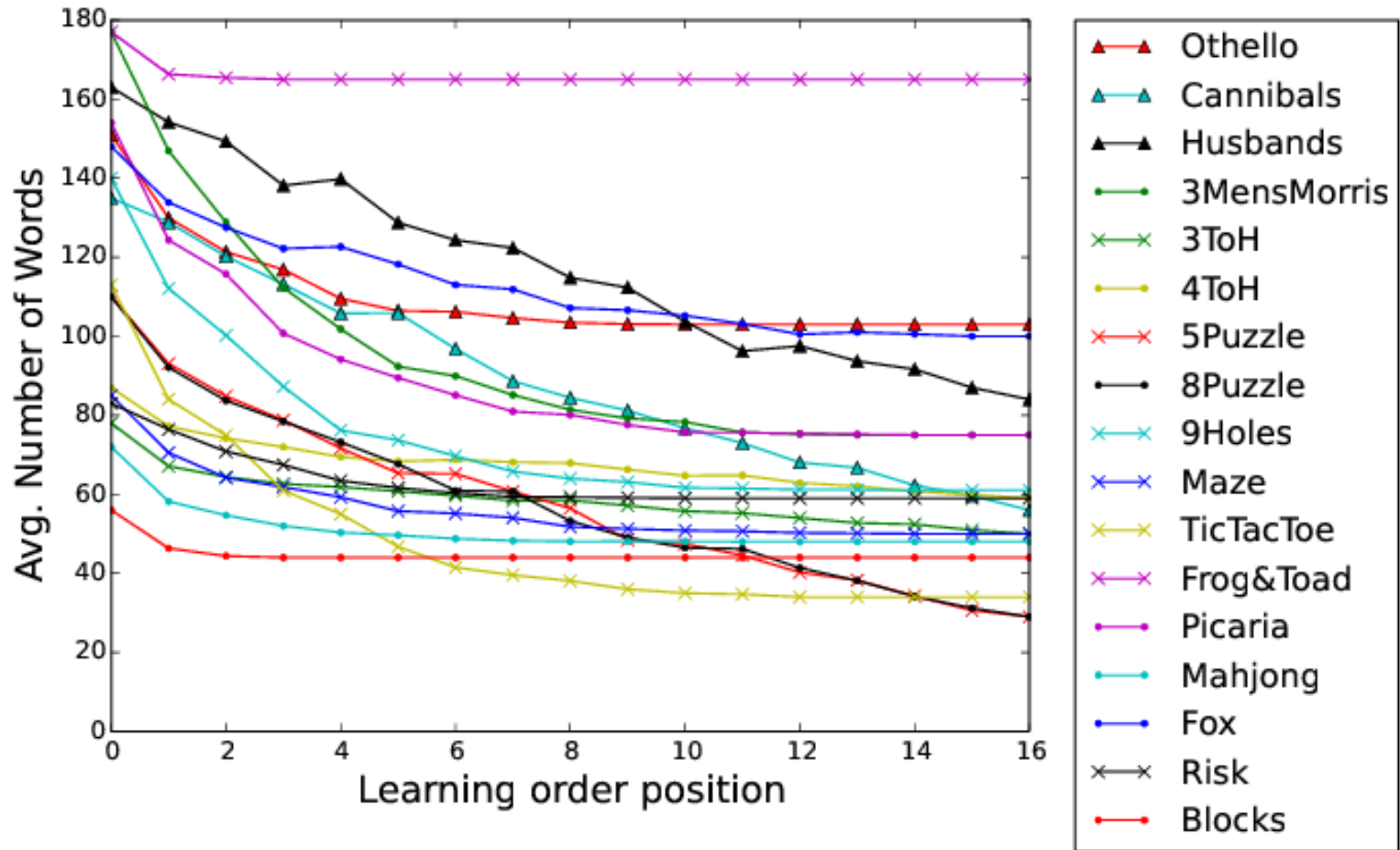


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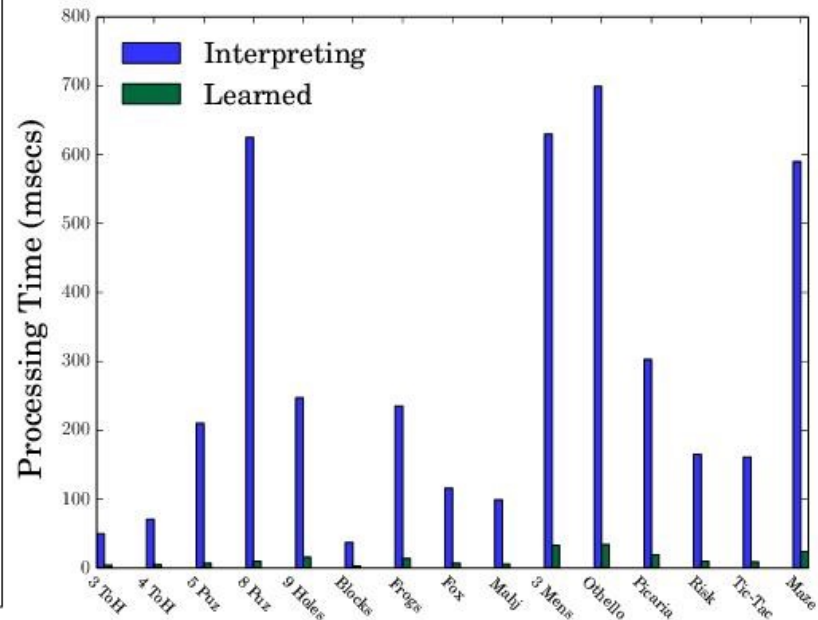
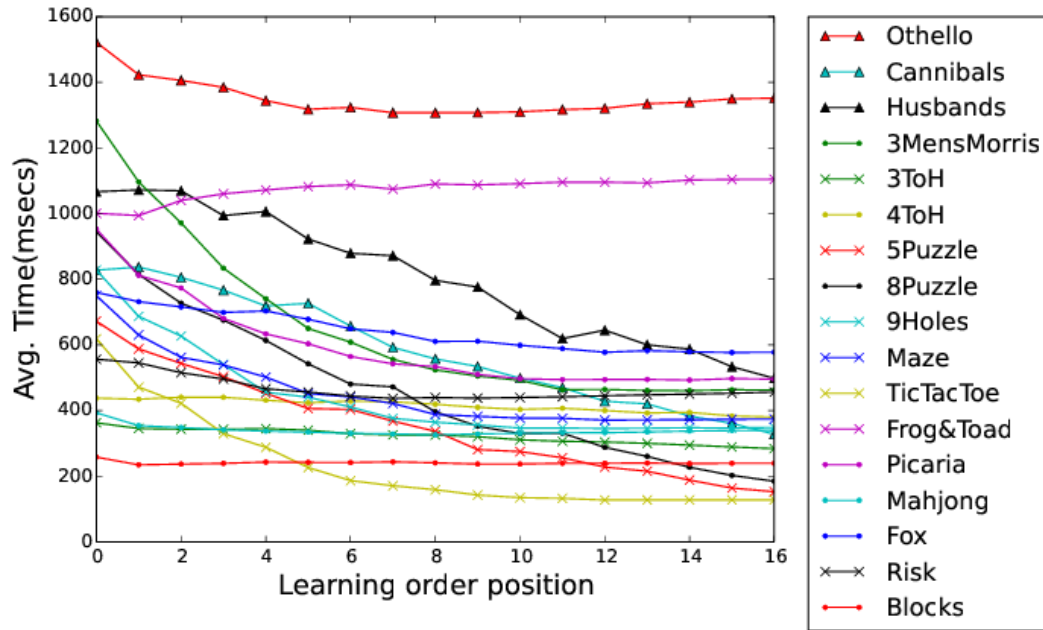
- 3000 randomly generated permutations of 17 games
- Scripted language, simulated symbolic domain
- Analyze efficiency and the affects of order (transfer)
  - Communication time (number of words)
  - Processing time
  - Memory sizes



# Communication Efficiency

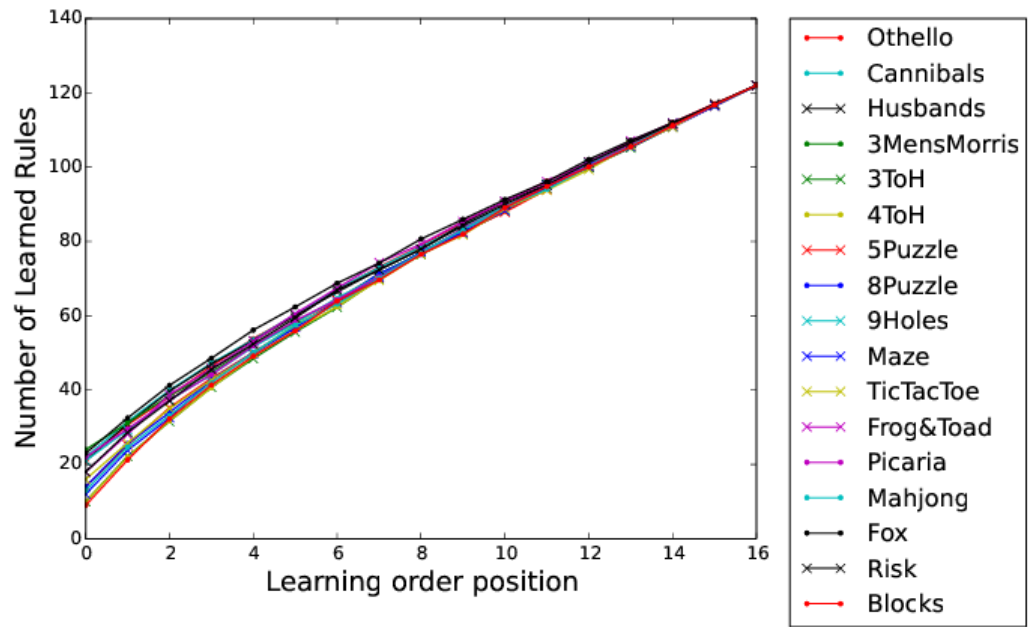
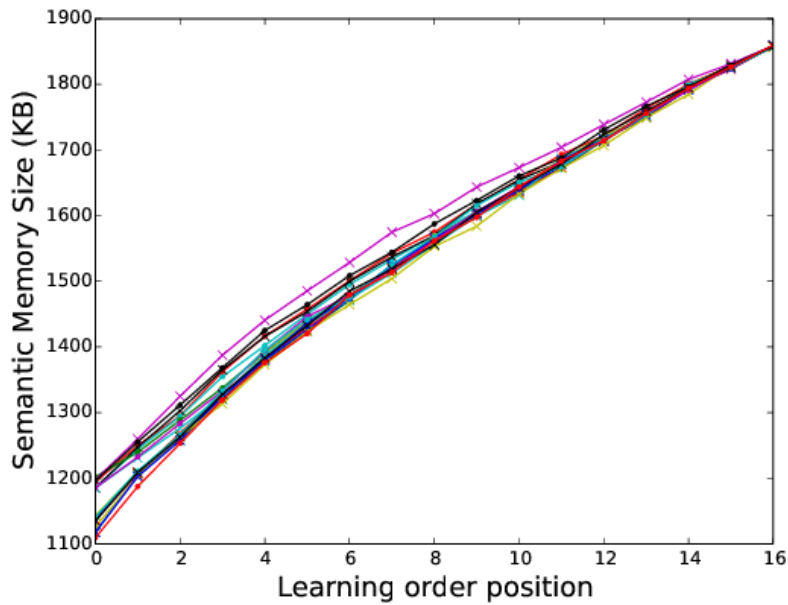


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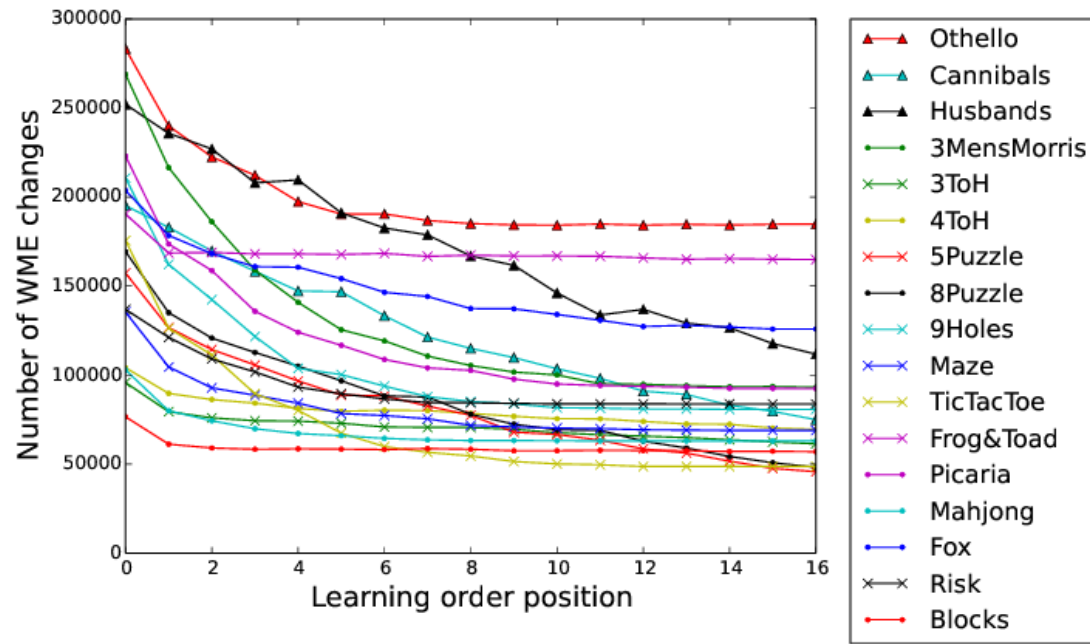
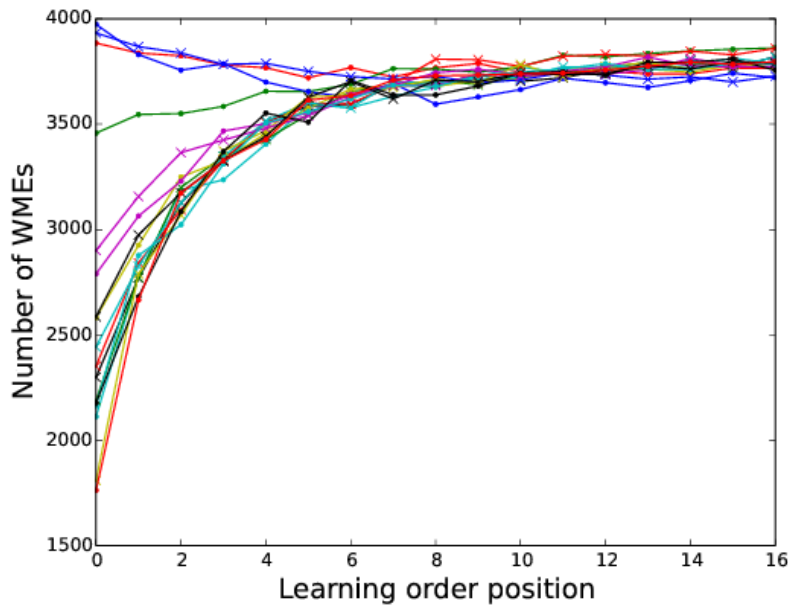




# Semantic and Procedural Memory



# Working Memory



# Nuggets and Coals

## Nuggets

- Demonstrates generality over many games and puzzles
- Hierarchical composition of concepts allows the definition of many new concepts and improves efficiency of communication
- Variablized Chunking drastically improves efficiency of processing
- No substantial slowdown over many successive tasks

## Coals

- Doesn't learn policy or heuristic knowledge, only iterative deepening search
- Does not scale well to handle large number of objects
- Not robust to errors in teaching

# Questions?