Adaptive Behavioural Model Learning for Software Product Lines

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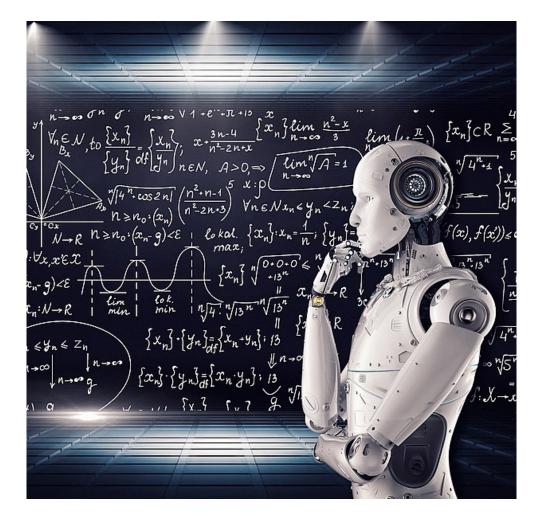


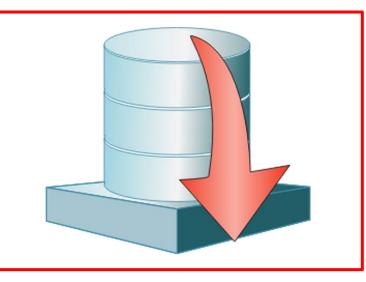
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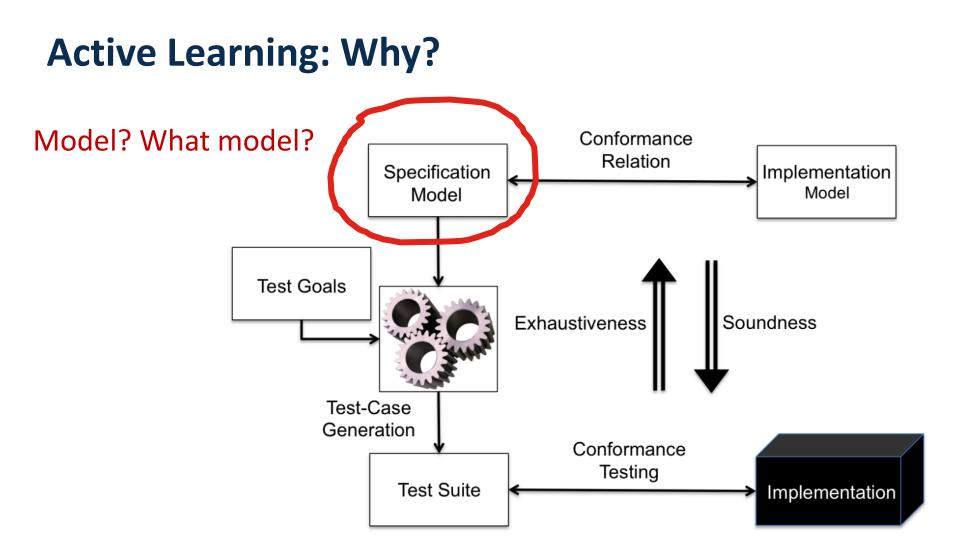
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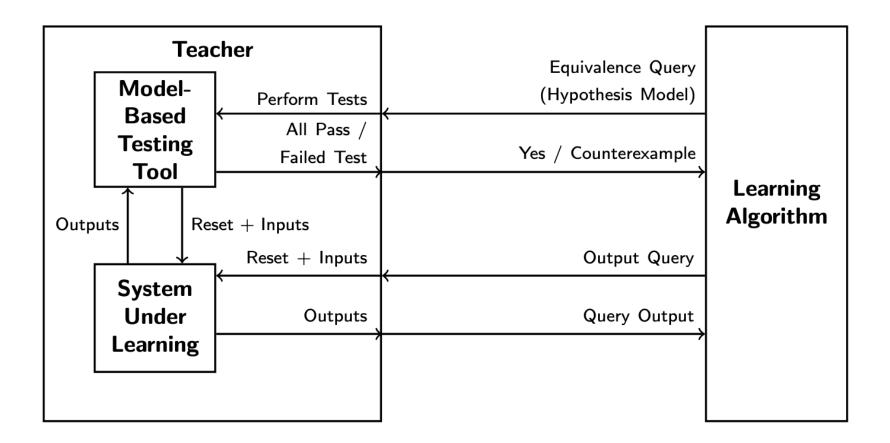
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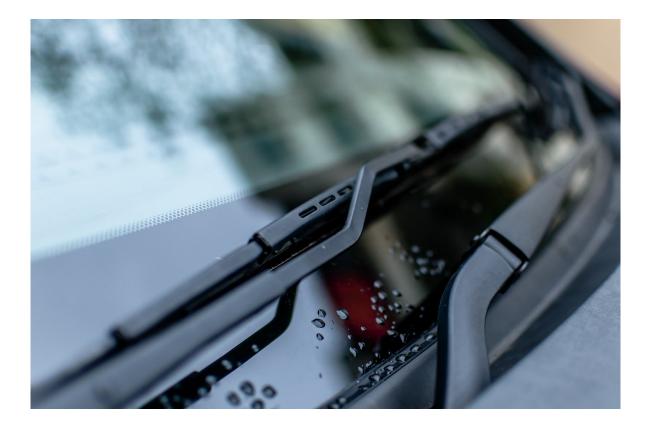


[Aichernig, Mostowski, Mousavi, Tappler and Taromirad. Model Learning and Model-Baed Testing]

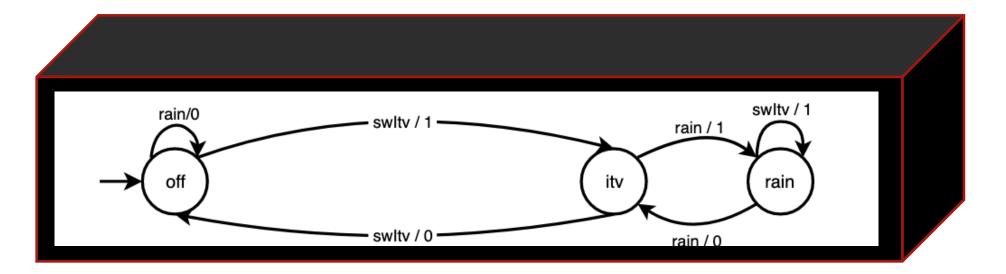
Active Learning: What?



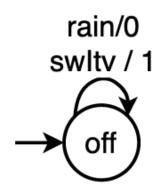
[Dana Angluin. Learning regular sets from queries and counterexamples.]

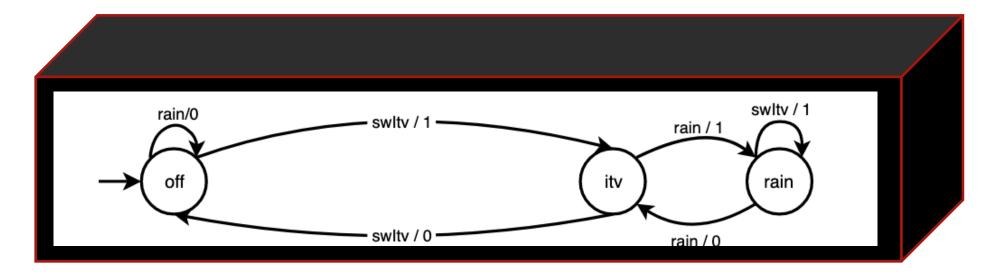


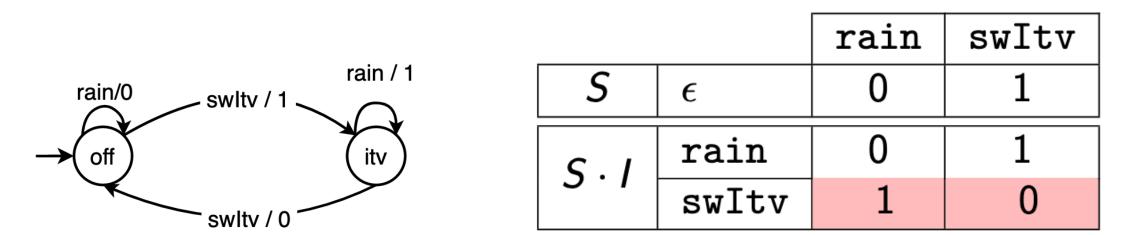
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		rain	swItv
S	ϵ	0	1
5.1	rain	0	1
5.1	swItv	1	0







_	off	swltv / 1		itv	swltv / 1
		swltv / 0	rain		rain / 0
		ϵ	0	1	$0 \cdot 0$
	S_r	swItv	1	0	$1 \cdot 0$
		$swItv \cdot rain$	0	1	$0\cdot 1$
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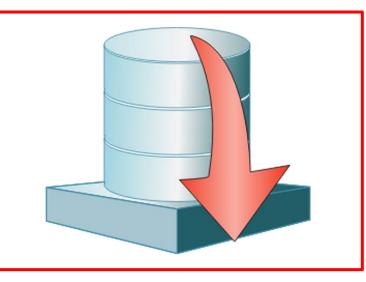
Consistent: $\forall p \in S_r . I_r \exists p' \in S_r \cdot p \cong p'$ Complete: $\forall p, p' \in S_r \cdot p \cong p' \Rightarrow \forall i \in I p.i \cong p'.i$

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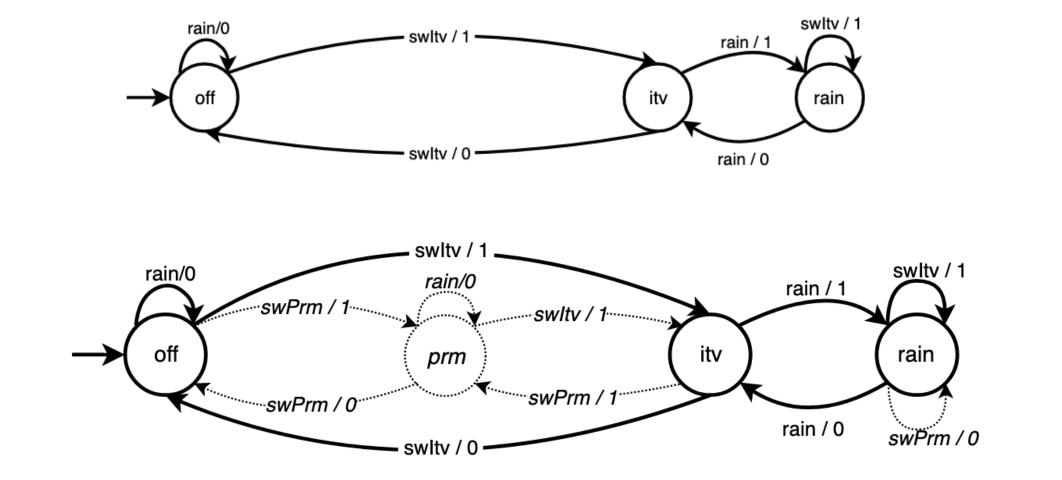


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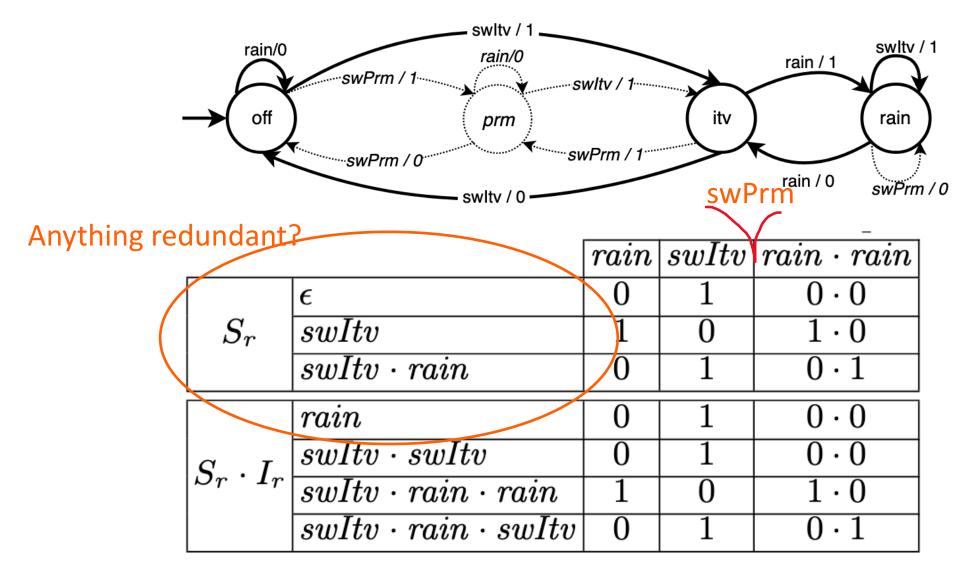


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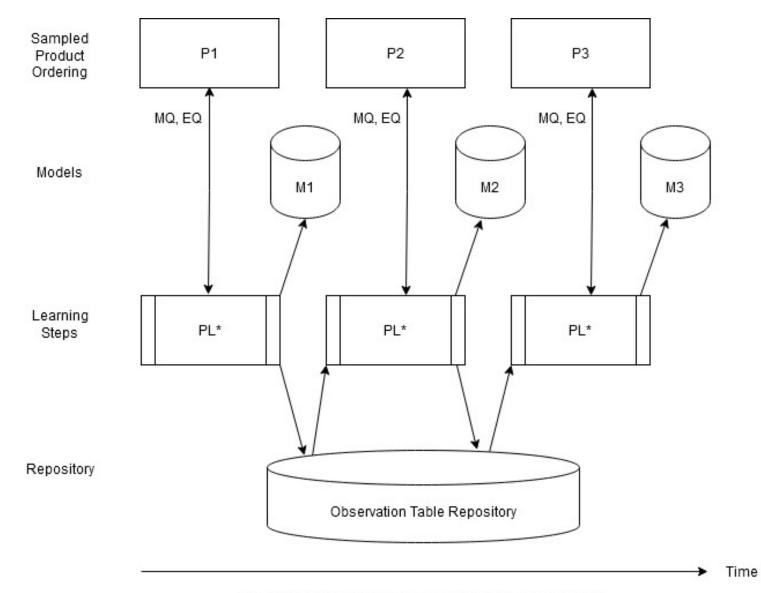
Learning Product Lines



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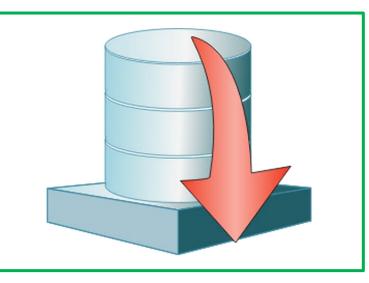
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Adaptive Learning Process, Sequence of PL* Applications



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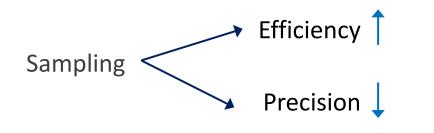
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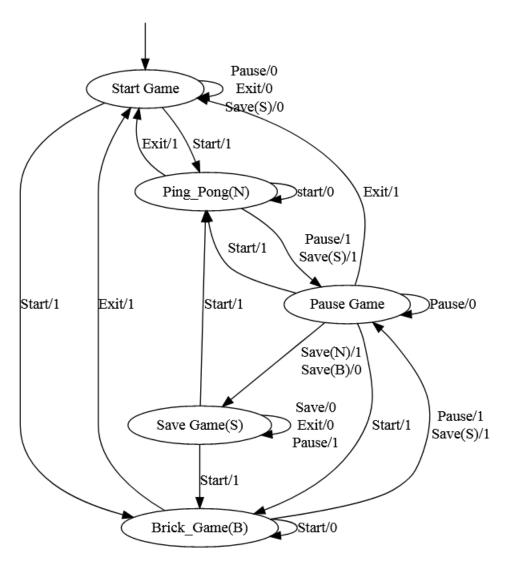
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Efficiency-Precision Trade-Off

- Family model
 - A specification showing the behavior of various products
- Analysis of all products of an SPL is usually costly
- Product sampling:



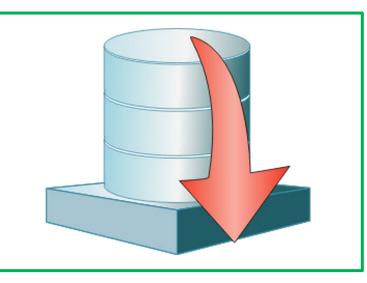


Product Sampling Methods for Software Product Lines

- Sampling algorithms
 - Greedy algorithms
 - Meta-heuristic algorithms
- Coverage criteria
 - Code coverage
 - Feature interaction coverage (T-wise sampling)



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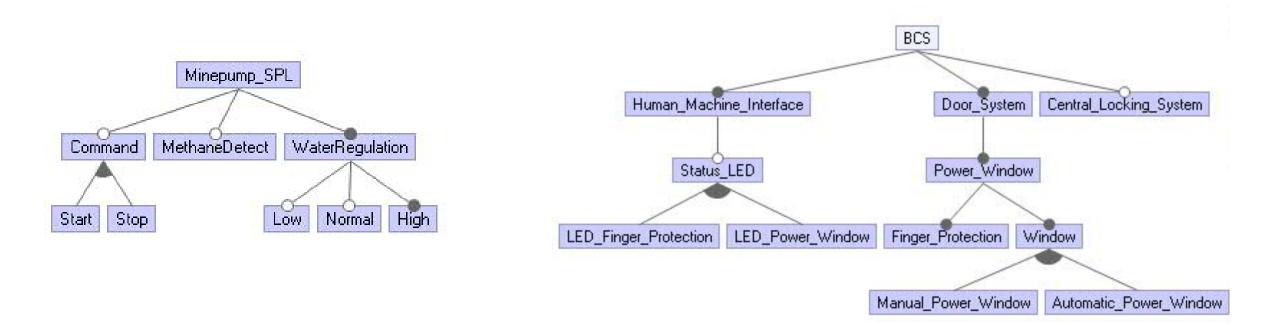


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Subject Systems

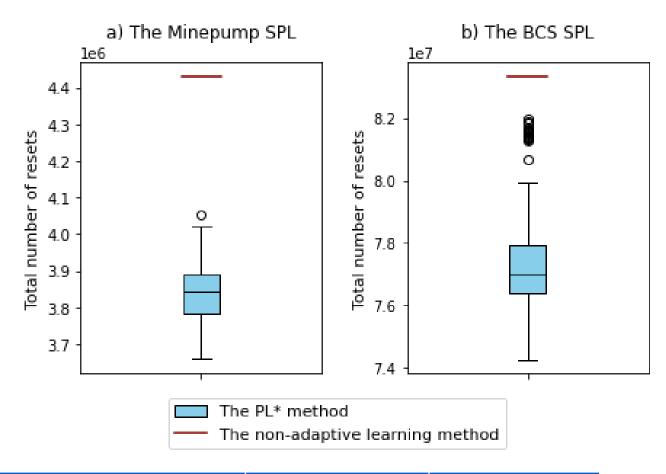


Subject system	Minimum S	Maximum S	Average S
The Minepump SPL	9	21	13.86
The BCS SPL	14	864	117.25

The Total Number of Rounds

SUL	PL* method, average	Non-adaptive learning method, average	Improvement percentage	p-value
The Minepump SPL	18.005	30.000	+39.9%	2.845e-204
The BCS SPL	16.910	22.000	+23.1%	7.034e-145

The Total Number of Resets



SUL	PL* method, average	Non-adaptive learning method, average	Improvement percentage	p-value
The Minepump SPL	3,838,078	4,429,400	+13.3%	1.095e-182
The BCS SPL	77,339,830	83,332,932	+7.1%	7.259e-120

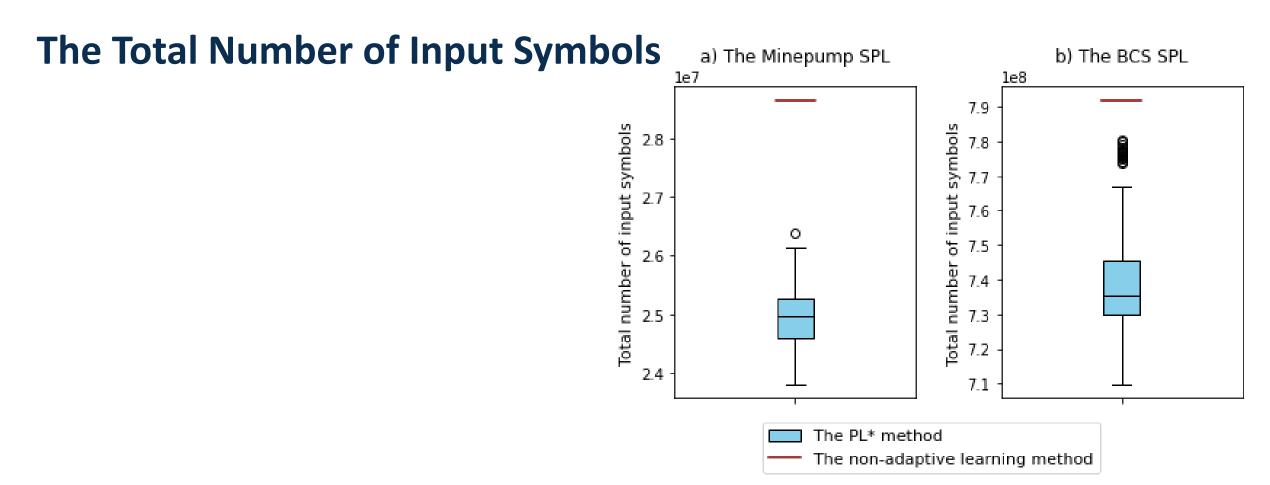
The Number of Resets in MQs and EQs

MQ resets:

SUL	PL* method, average	Non-adaptive learning method, average	Improvement percentage
The Minepump SPL	78,846	73,937	-6.7%
The BCS SPL	757,186	642,412	-17.9%

EQ resets:

SUL	PL* method, average	Non-adaptive learning method, average	Improvement percentage
The Minepump SPL	3,759,232	4,355,463	+13.6%
The BCS SPL	76,582,644	82,690,520	+7.3%



SUL	PL* method, average	Non-adaptive learning method, average	Improvement percentage	p-value
The Minepump SPL	24,950,092	28,637,112	+12.8%	5.103e-182
The BCS SPL	739,258,253	791,674,093	+6.6%	7.150e-115

The Number of Input Symbols in MQs and EQs

MQ input symbols:

SUL	PL* method, average	Non-adaptive learning method, average	Improvement percentage
The Minepump SPL	433,967	401,613	-8.1%
The BCS SPL	5,826,720	4,804,082	-21.3%

EQ input symbols:

SUL	PL* method, average	Non-adaptive learning method, average	Improvement percentage
The Minepump SPL	24,516,124	28,235,499	+13.1%
The BCS SPL	733,431,533	786,870,011	+6.7%

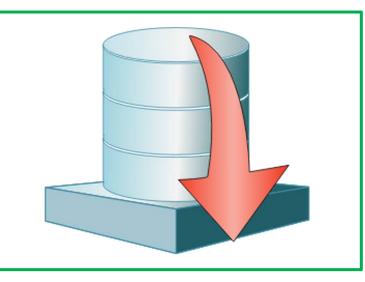
Comparing the Learning Methods

- PL* can improve the learning efficiency in terms of:
 - The total number of learning rounds
 - The total number of resets
 - The total number of input symbols
- PL* increases the number of MQs.
- PL* reduces the total cost of learning by reducing the number of EQs.

The number of EQ resets > 10 \times the number of MQ resets



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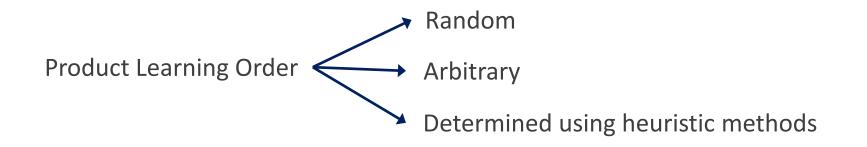




BACK UP SLIDES

The Product Learning Order

• Observation: the product learning order can affect the efficiency of the PL* method.



• Based on the results of the experiments, a heuristic is presented to determine the desired learning orders.

The Product Learning Order

Observation: when the number of new non-mandatory features that are added simultaneously is small, the efficiency of the PL* method increases.

 $0 = \langle p_1, p_2, ..., p_n \rangle$ A product learning order (a sequence of products in a sample)

The FSM of p_i must be learned earlier than the FSM of p_i

$$D_{i} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } F_{i} = 0\\ \frac{1}{F_{i}}, & \text{if } F_{i} \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

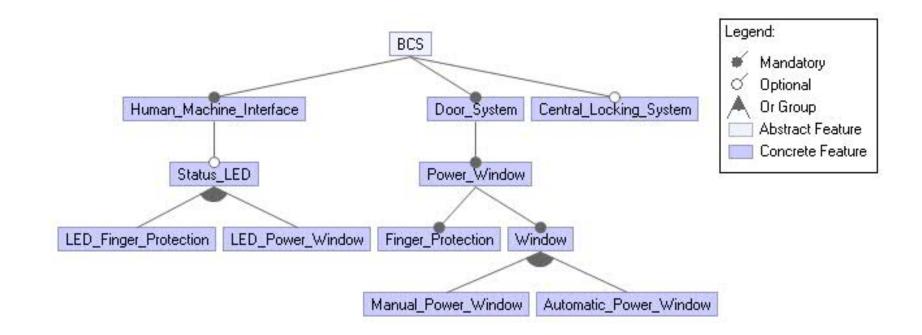
$$D = \sum_{i=1}^{n} D_i \qquad \text{Why} \, \frac{1}{F_i} \text{ is used?}$$

The number of new non-mandatory features added by p_i



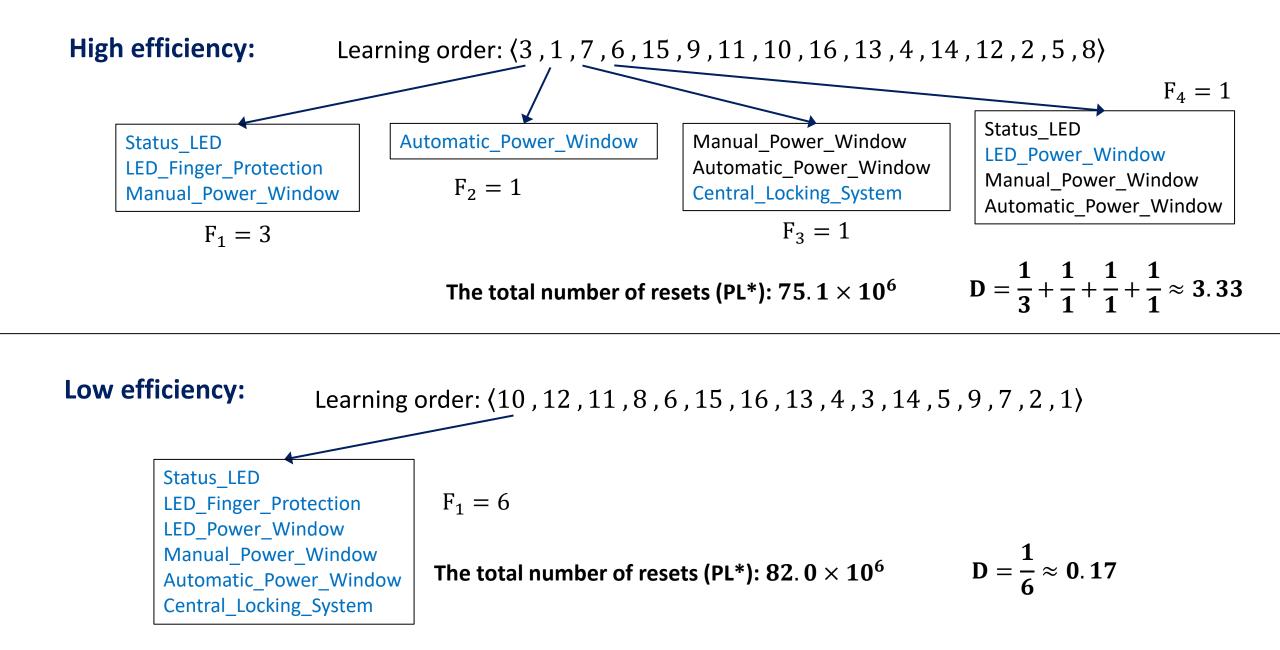
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An Example from BCS SPL



Number of non-mandatory features: 6

16 products are sampled from BCS SPL using 3-wise sampling method.

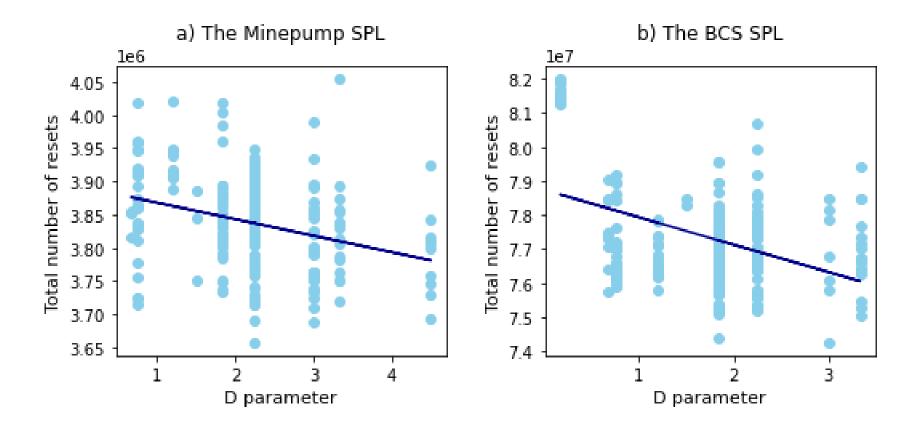


More Examples

Learning order	F ₁	F ₂	F ₃	F ₄	F 5	F ₆	F ₇	Total resets ($ imes 10^6$)	D
(3, 1, 7, 6, 15, 9, 11, 10, 16, 13, 4, 14, 12, 2, 5, 8)	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	75.1	3.33
(2, 11, 12, 3, 16, 6, 10, 5, 14, 8, 1, 7, 15, 9, 4, 13)	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	76.6	2.25
(7, 16, 2, 15, 11, 3, 6, 12, 13, 10, 14, 9, 8, 1, 4, 5)	3	2	0	0	0	1	0	77.3	1.83
(10, 12, 11, 8, 6, 15, 16, 13, 4, 3, 14, 5, 9, 7, 2, 1)	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	82.0	0.16

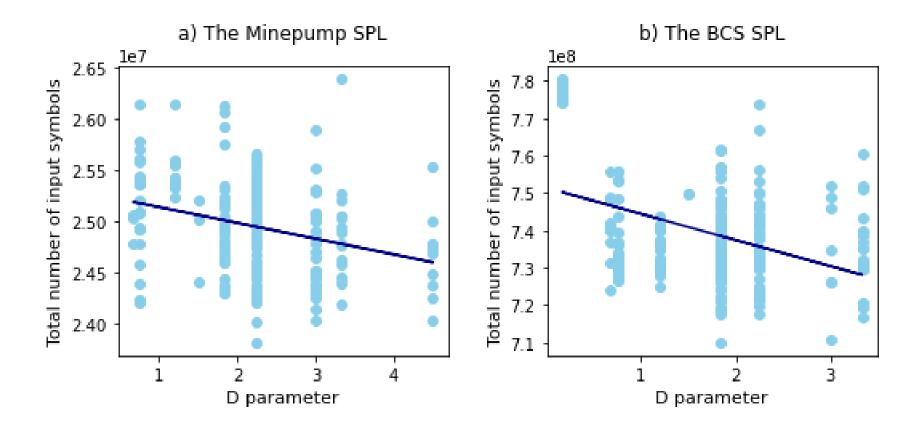
The total number of resets in non-adaptive learning method: 83.0×10^6

Correlation Between Parameter D and the Number of Resets



SUL	r	p-value
The Minepump SPL	-0.305	1.127e-05
The BCS SPL	-0.431	1.963e-10

Correlation Between Parameter D and the Number of Input Symbols



SUL	r	p-value
The Minepump SPL	-0.301	1.484e-05
The BCS SPL	-0.403	3.429e-09