# EMYS: A SOCIAL ROBOT THAT PLAYS "SUECA"

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2. GOALS

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#### Integrate a social robot with aged humans in a card game scenario

- Develop an agent that plays competently *Sueca*
- Develop a socially present embodied agent
- Evaluate the correctness of the system





#### Hidden information?



**Information Set!** 

Monte-Carlo Tree Search

- 1. Selection
- 2. Expansion
- 3. Simulation
- 4. Backpropagation

# 4. RELATED WORK

## 4.1. AI IN GAMES

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- Nash-Equilibrium Strategy
- Belief distributions

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MONTE-CARLO METHODS

#### How to deal with hidden information?



MONTE-CARLO METHODS

#### PIMC

Domains	Pros / Cons	Hidden Information	
Bridge Skat	<ul> <li>Simpler to implement</li> <li>Strategy fusion</li> <li>Non-locality</li> </ul>	Determinization	

MONTE-CARLO METHODS

#### ISMCTS

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Dou Dizhu	<ul> <li>Computational Budget</li> <li>Strategy fusion (less)</li> <li>Non-locality</li> <li>Harder to implement</li> </ul>	Information Set	

MONTE-CARLO METHODS

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#### BELIEF DISTRIBUTIONS

Domain	Technique	Goal	Suitable
Skat	Determine the winning probability of a hand	Improve the bidding	N
Skat	Fastest-cut-first heuristic	Order moves	Y
Skat	Considering similar states equally	Reduce tree exploration	Y
Skat	Calculate the mistake rate of each player	Improve the bidding	~
Poker	Opponent model	Improve MCTS policies	Y

## 4.2. HRI

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Robots in elderly care

Social robots in games

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#### SOCIAL ROBOTS IN GAMES



- Children tutor
- Careful advices
- Long-term interactions

#### SOCIAL ROBOTS IN GAMES

Improved social presence:

- Topology of speeches
- Relevance value of a move
- Power of a player
- Simulation of roles
- Luck perception



5. PROPOSED ARCHITECTURE

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#### AI MODULE

- PIMC
- Opponent model
  - Cards' predictions
  - Actions' predictions



How to collect data?

- Ask for it
- Collect it! (it requires a platform)

# 6. EVALUATION

### EVALUATION

Develop an agent that plays competently Sueca

Performance measures

- Game points
- Offline pre-computation time

- These measures will be compared to different parametrizations and a naive approach
- University community will test it

### EVALUATION

Develop a socially present embodied agent

Two conditions

- Few or nonexisting social behaviours
- Several behaviours from the game state

- The elderly will test it
- Godspeed participants' perception of the robot
- Networked Minds presence perception

## THANK YOU!