



Lecture 3:

Deep Reinforcement Learning

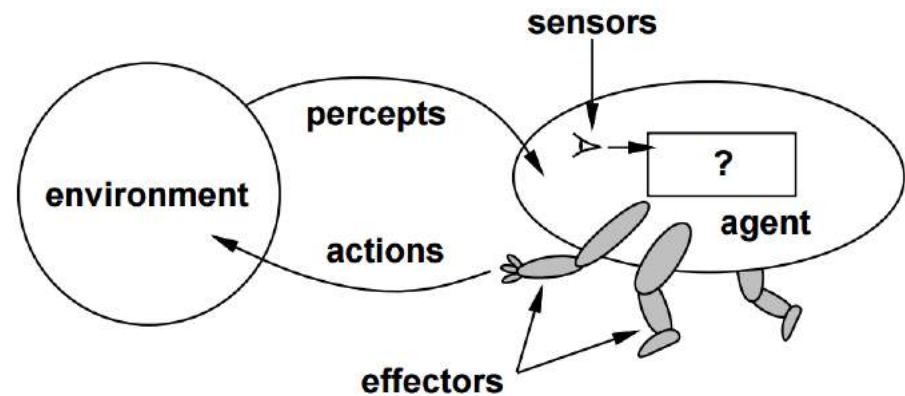
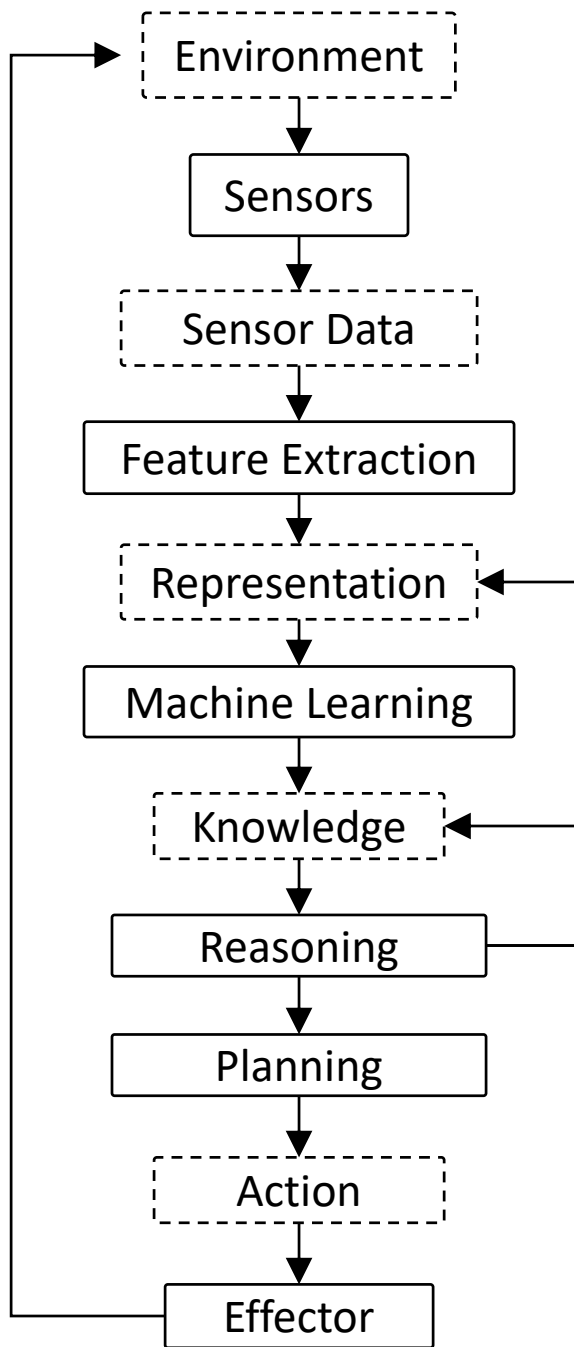
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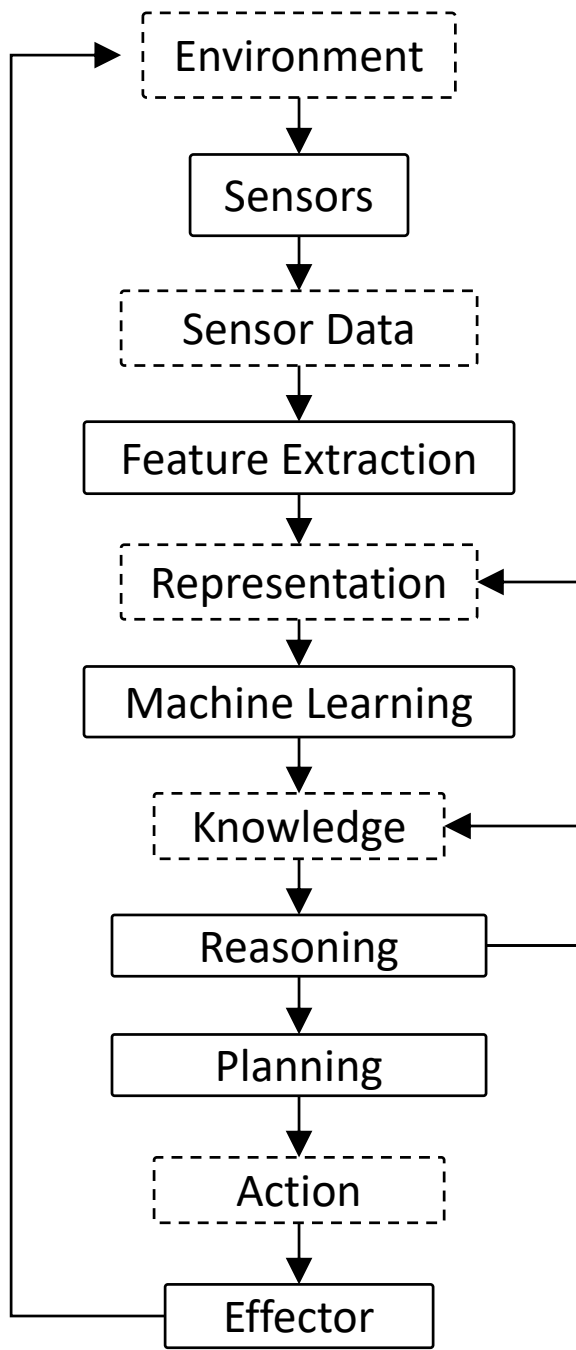
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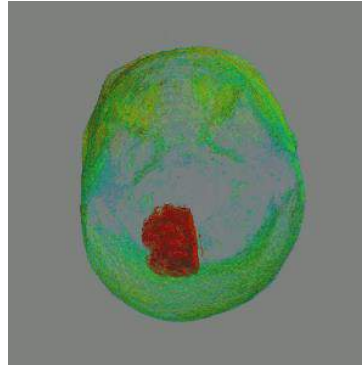


Open Question: What can we **not** do with Deep Learning?





Formal tasks: Playing board games, card games. Solving puzzles, mathematical and logic problems.



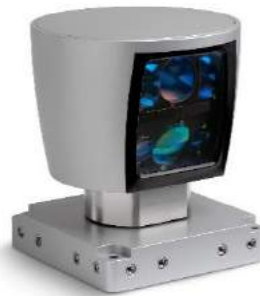
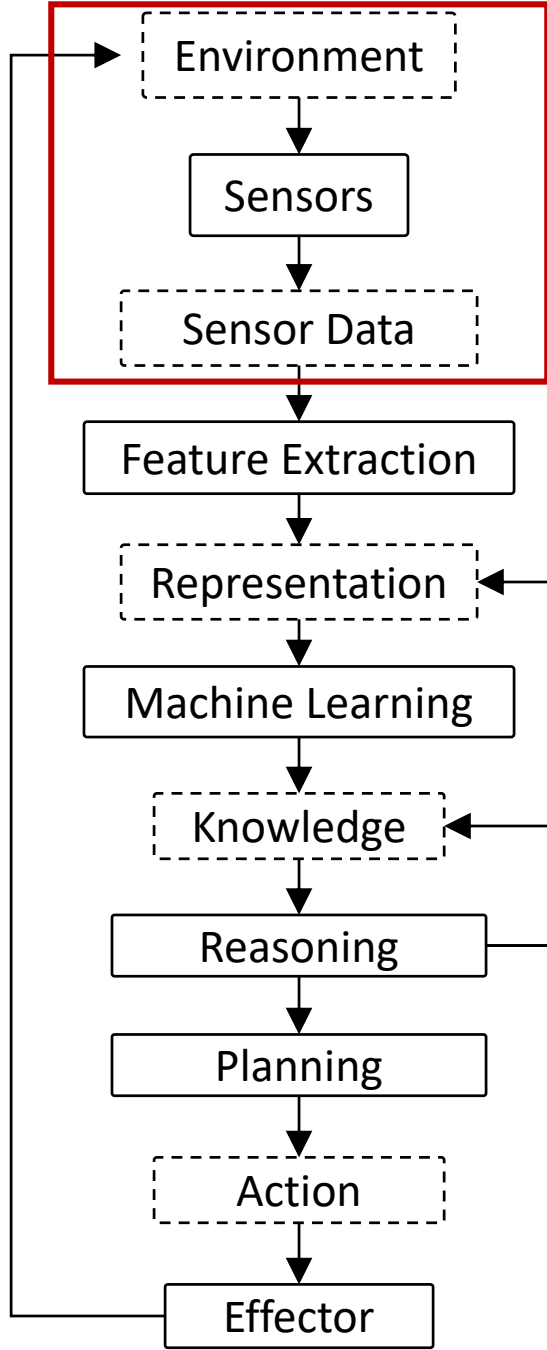
Expert tasks: Medical diagnosis, engineering, scheduling, computer hardware design.



Mundane tasks: Everyday speech, written language, perception, walking, object manipulation.



Human tasks: Awareness of self, emotion, imagination, morality, subjective experience, high-level-reasoning, consciousness.



Lidar



Camera
(Visible, Infrared)



Radar



GPS



Stereo Camera



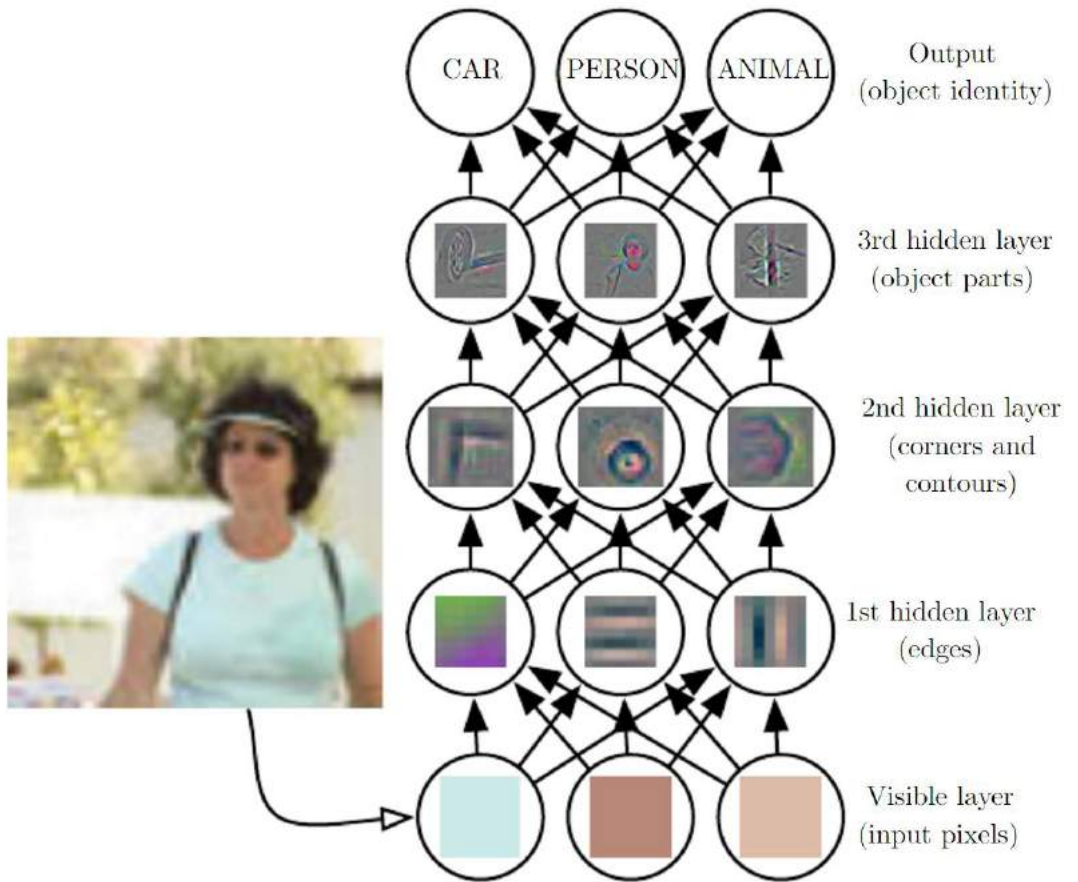
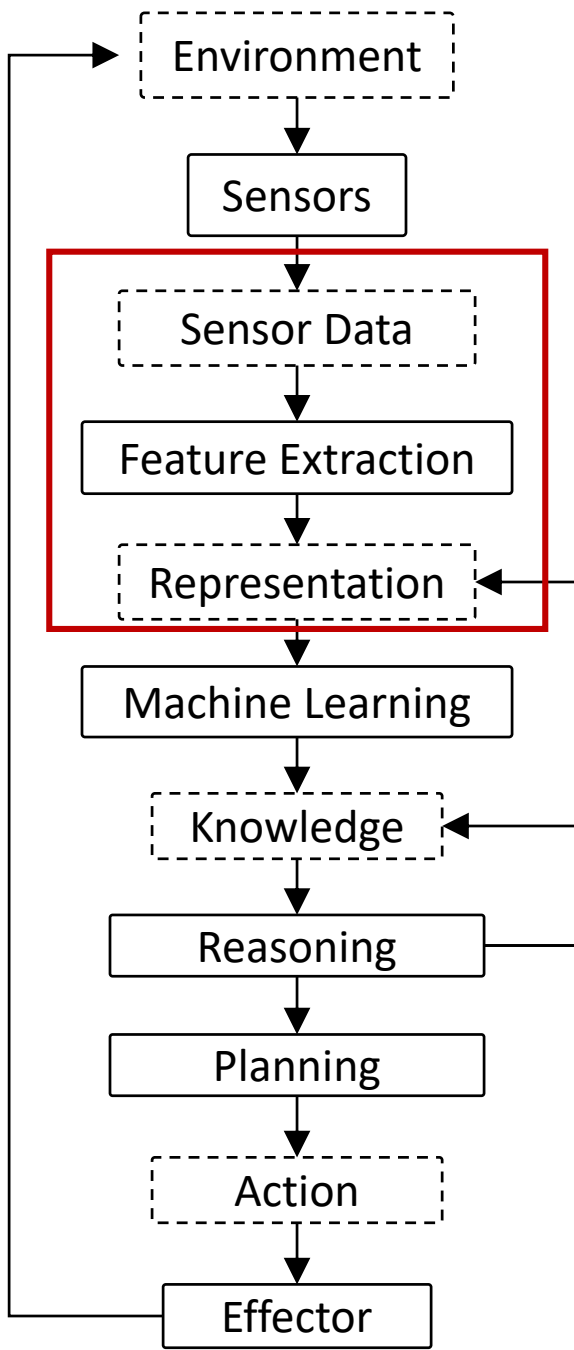
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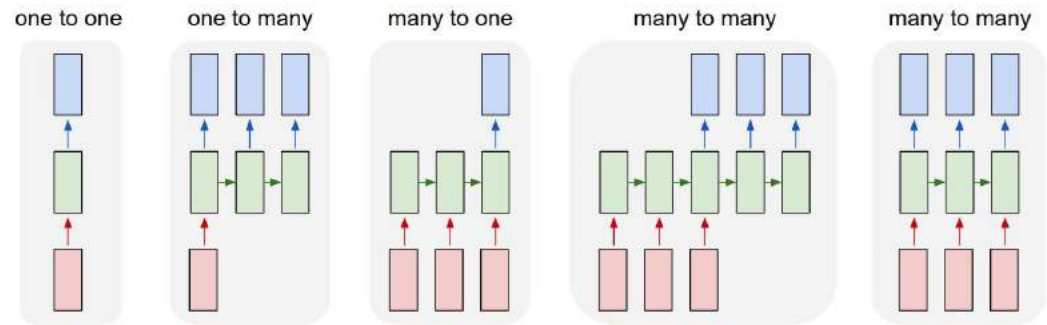
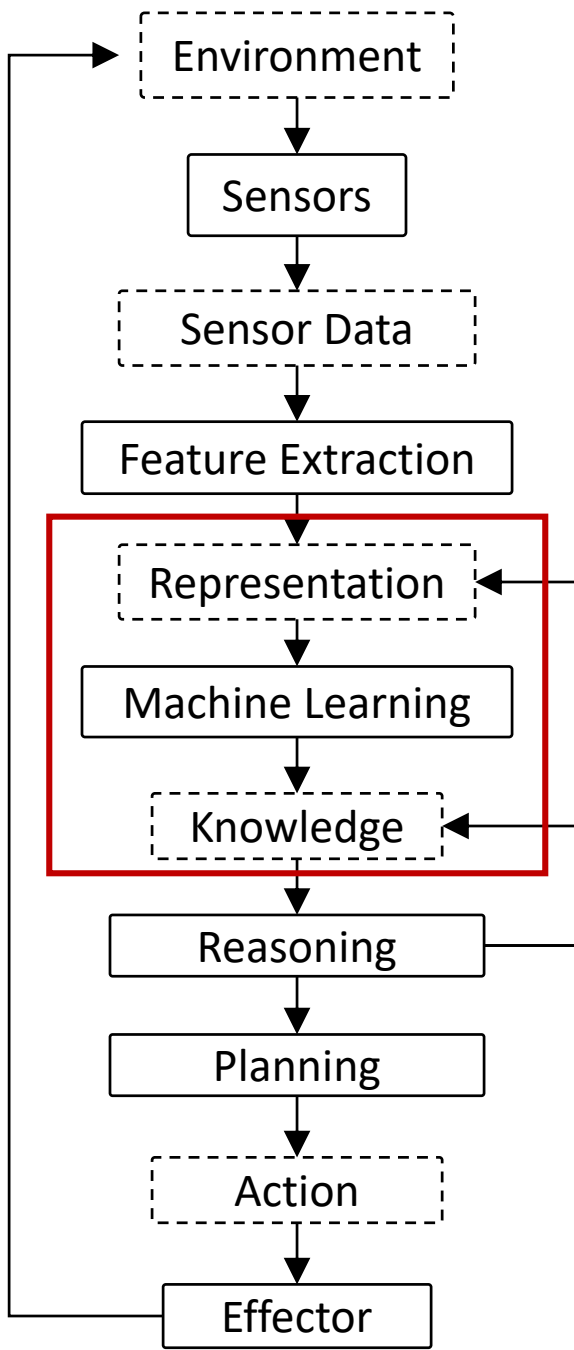


Networking
(Wired, Wireless)



IMU





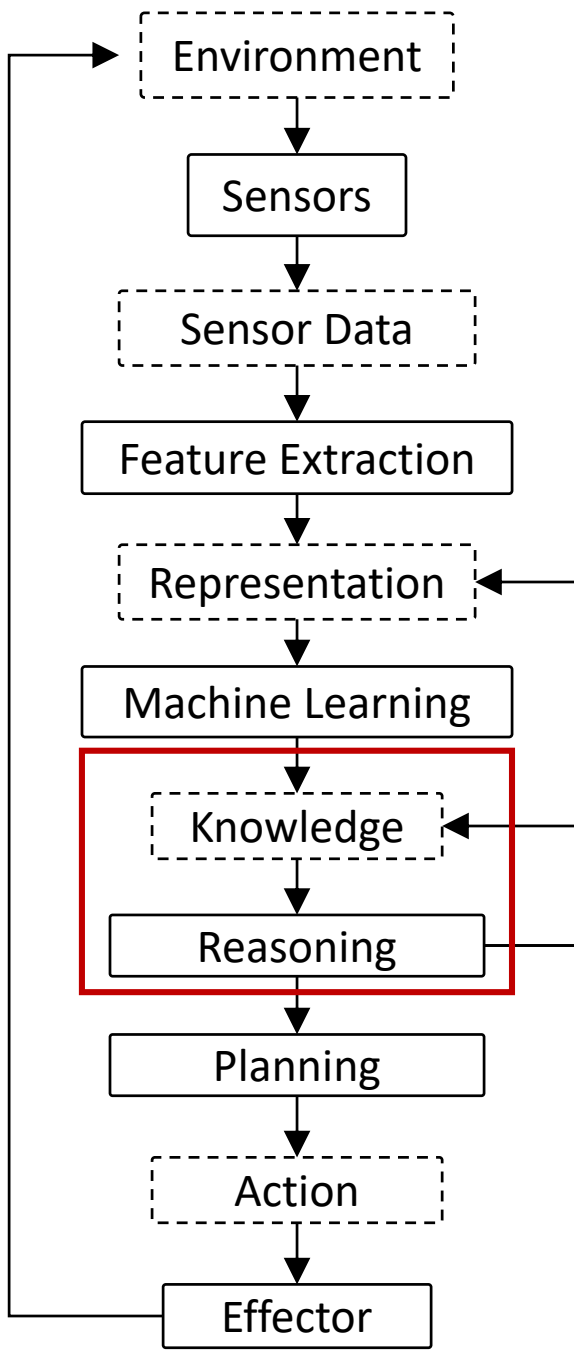


Image Recognition:
If it looks like a duck

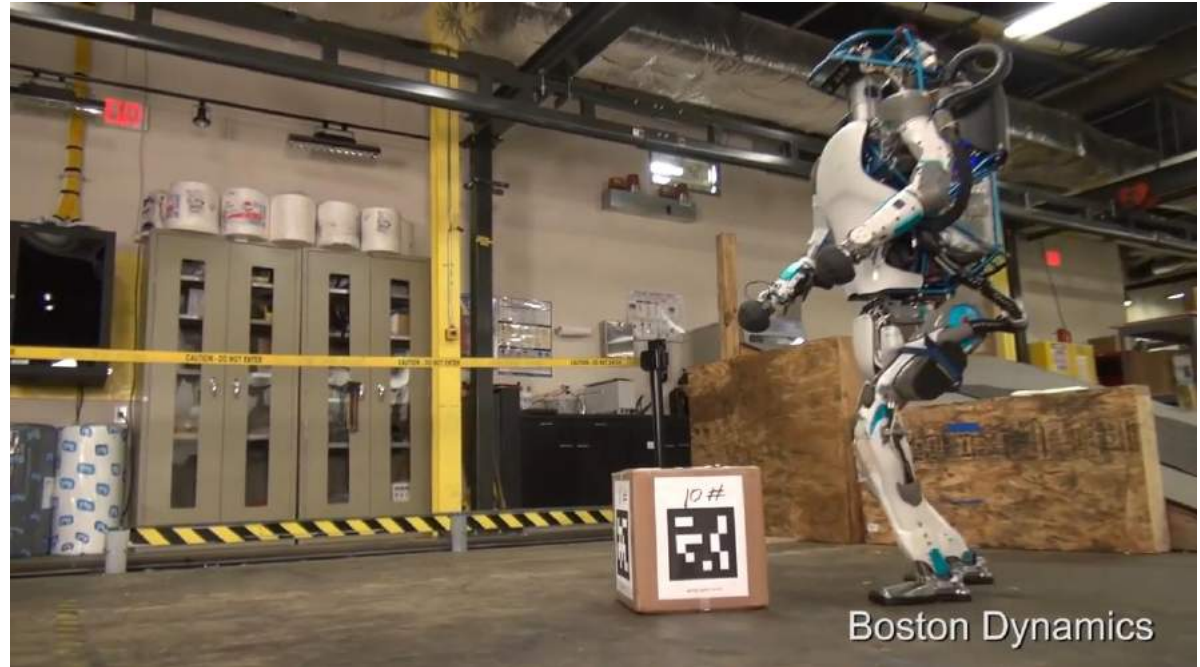
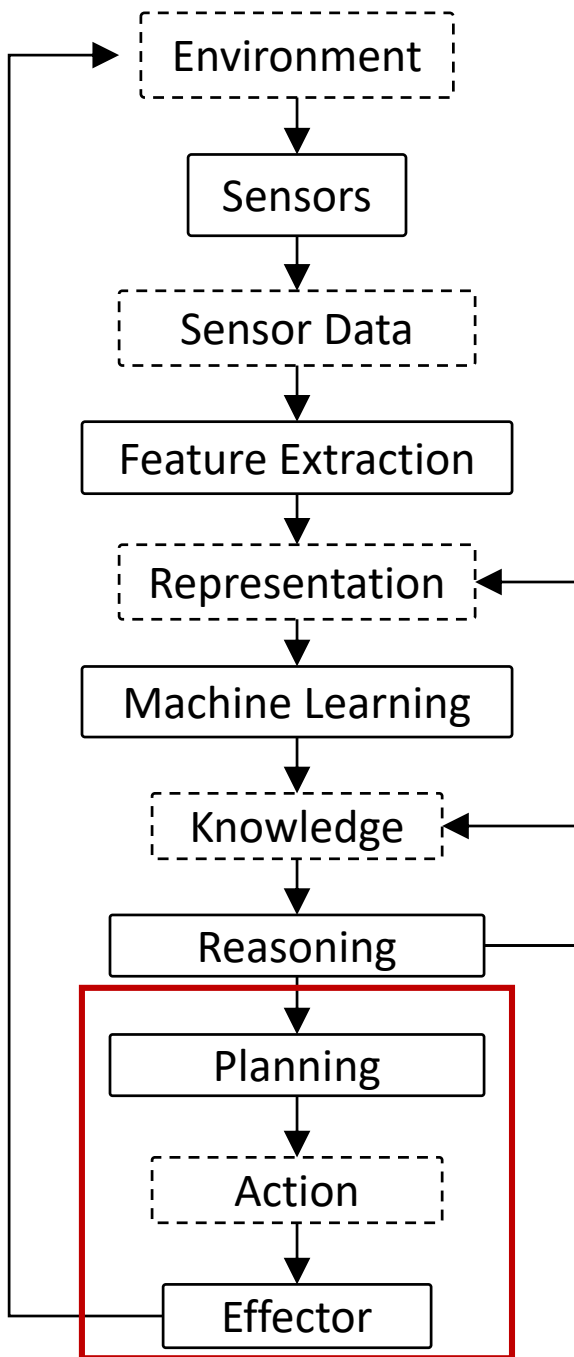


Audio Recognition:
Quacks like a duck

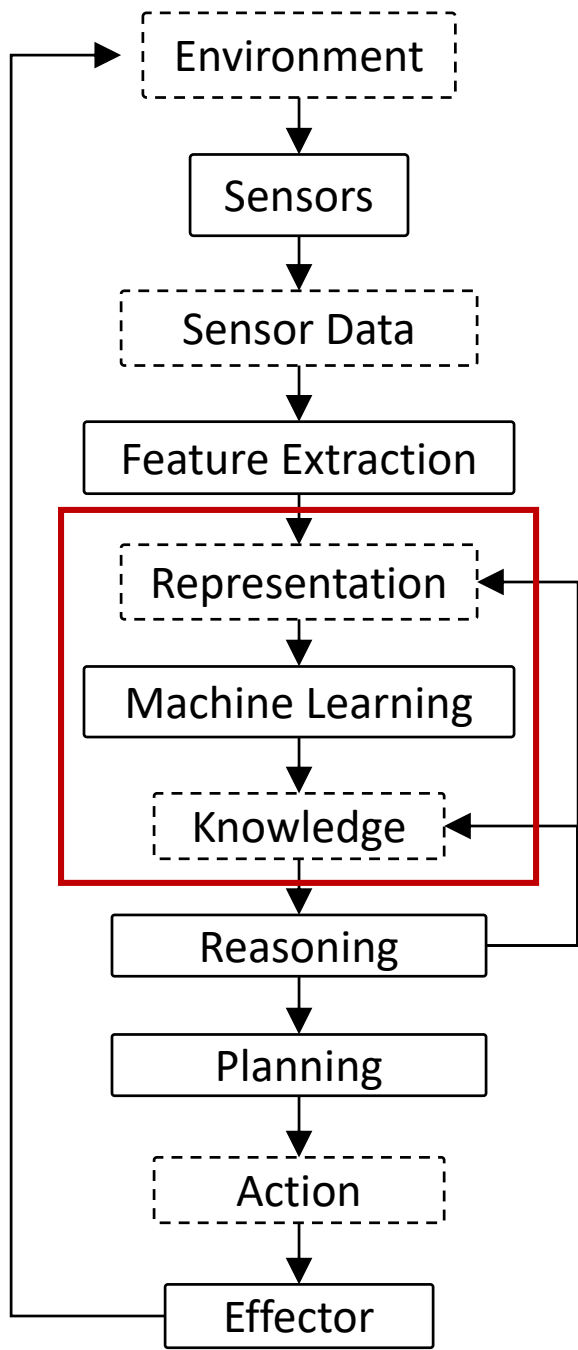


Activity Recognition:
Swims like a duck

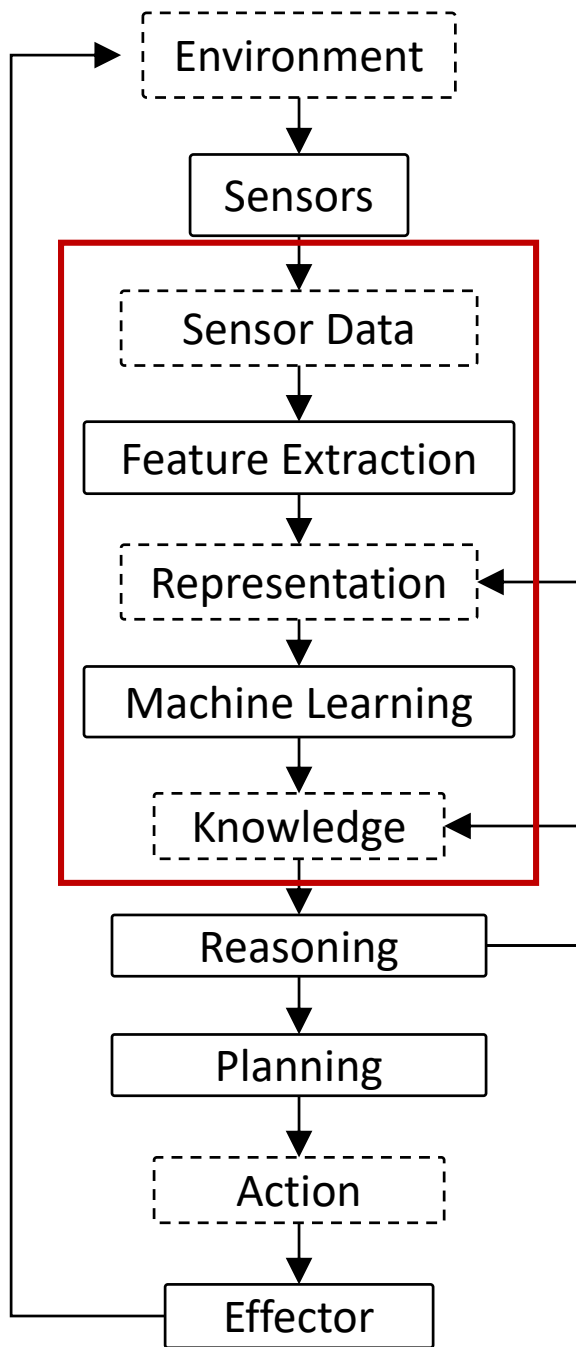




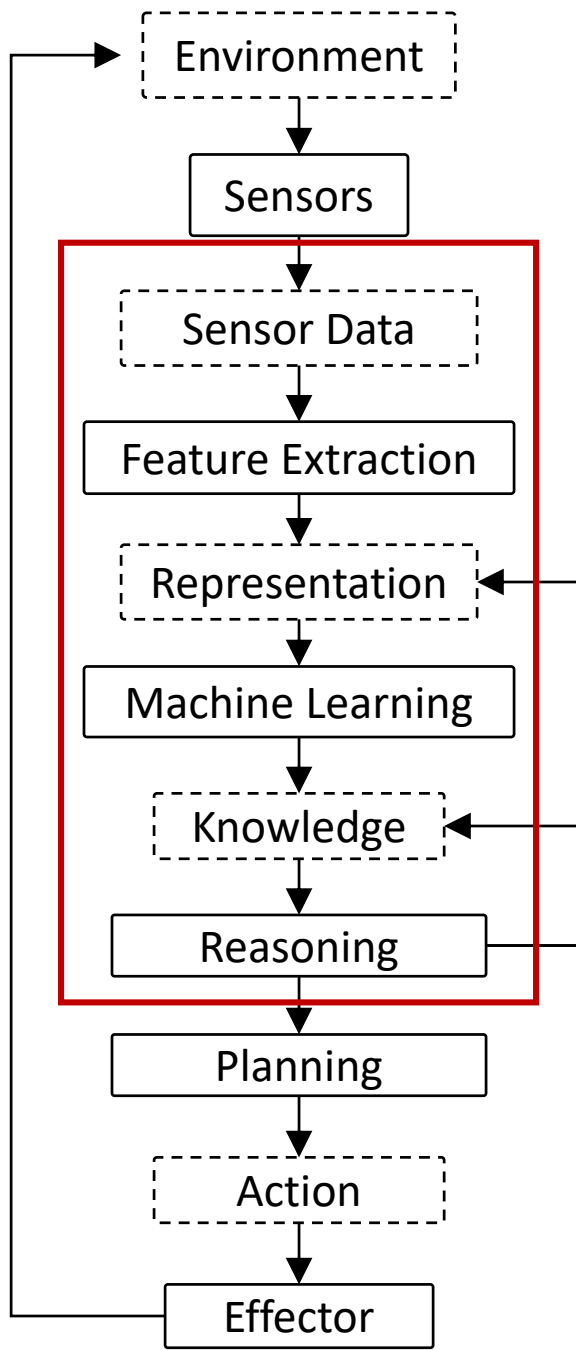
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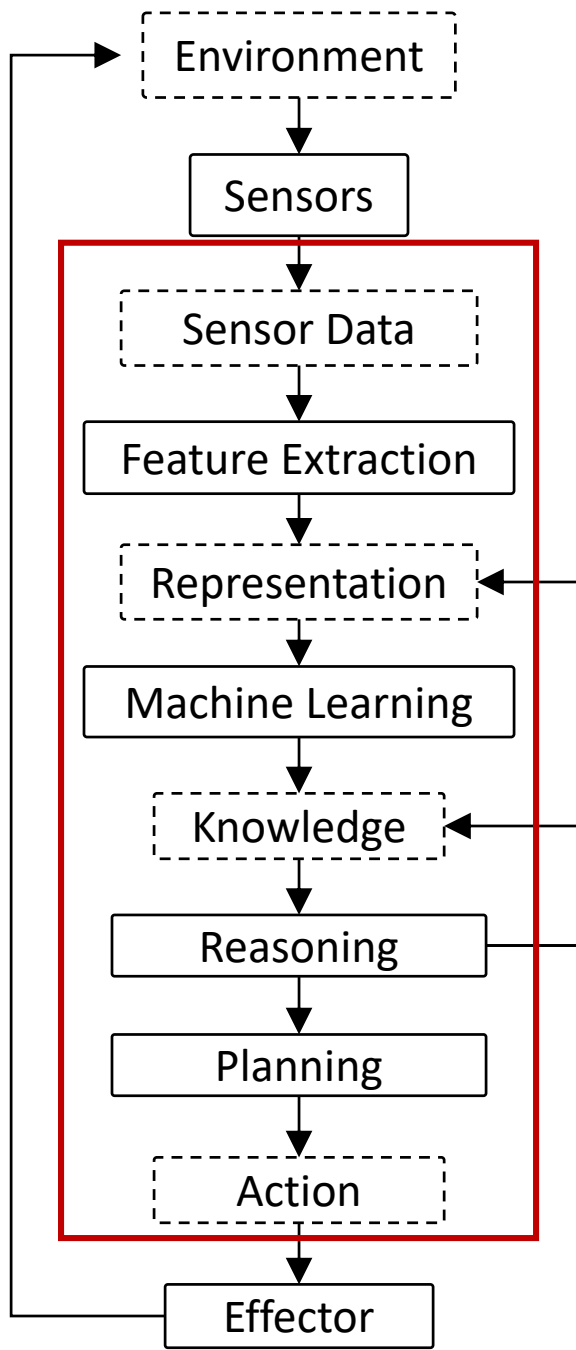


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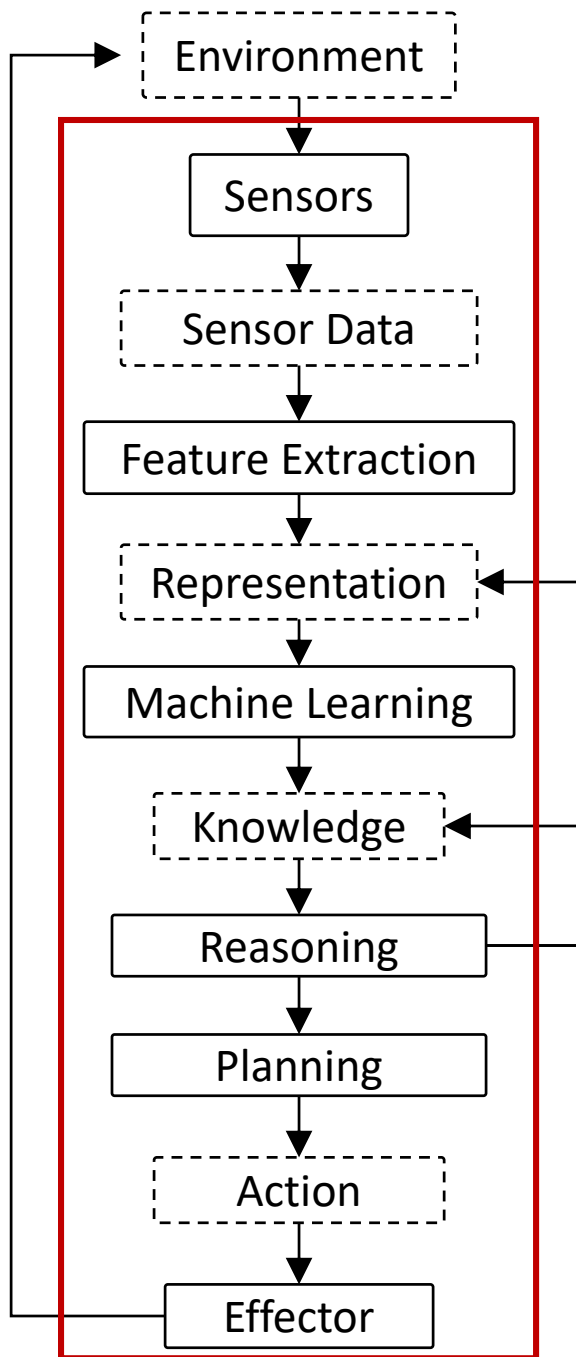


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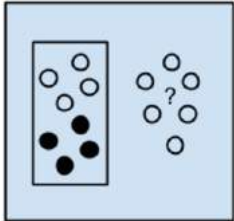


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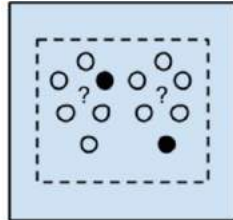


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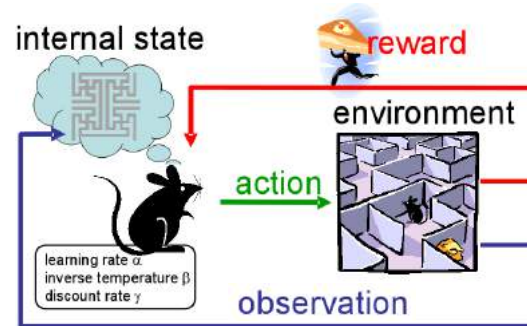
Types of Deep Learning



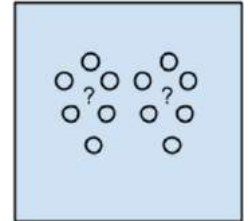
Supervised Learning



Semi-Supervised Learning



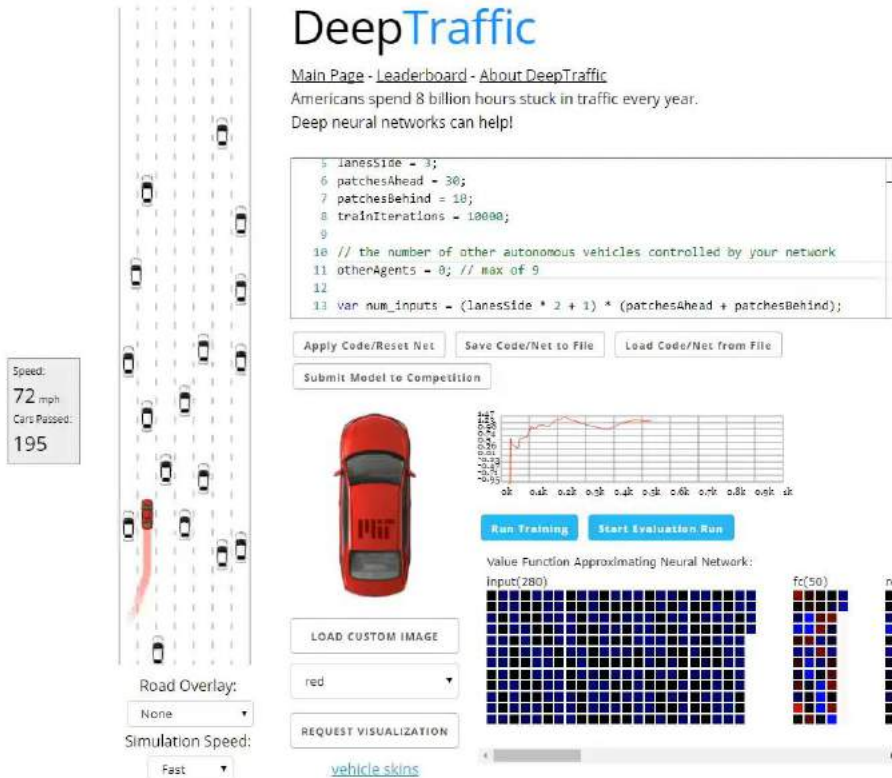
Reinforcement Learning



Unsupervised Learning



DeepTraffic: Deep Reinforcement Learning Competition



DeepTraffic

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Americans spend 8 billion hours stuck in traffic every year.
Deep neural networks can help!

```
1 laneside = 3;  
2 patchesAhead = 30;  
3 patchesBehind = 18;  
4 trainIterations = 10000;  
5  
6 // the number of other autonomous vehicles controlled by your network  
7 otherAgents = 8; // max of 9  
8  
9  
10  
11  
12  
13 var num_inputs = (laneside * 2 + 1) * (patchesAhead + patchesBehind);
```

Speed: 72 mph
Cars Passed: 195

Apply Code/Reset Net Save Code/Net to File Load Code/Net from File
Submit Model to Competition

Run Training Start Evaluation Run

Value Function Approximating Neural Network:
Input(280) fc(50) rel

LOAD CUSTOM IMAGE
red
REQUEST VISUALIZATION
[vehicle skins](#)



<https://selfdrivingcars.mit.edu/deeptraffic>

DeepTraffic: Deep Reinforcement Learning Competition

- **Competition:** <https://github.com/lexfridman/deeptraffic>
- **GitHub:** <https://github.com/lexfridman/deeptraffic>
- **Paper on arXiv:** <https://arxiv.org/abs/1801.02805>

DeepTraffic: Driving Fast through Dense Traffic with Deep Reinforcement Learning

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Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)

Abstract—We present a micro-traffic simulation (named “DeepTraffic”) where the perception, control, and planning systems for one of the cars are all handled by a single neural network as part of a model-free, off-policy reinforcement learning process. The primary goal of DeepTraffic is to make the hands-on study of deep reinforcement learning accessible to thousands of students, educators, and researchers in order to inspire and fuel the exploration and evaluation of DQN variants and hyperparameter configurations through large-scale, open competition. This paper investigates the crowd-sourced hyperparameter tuning of the policy network that resulted from the first iteration of the DeepTraffic competition where thousands of participants actively searched through the hyperparameter space with the objective of their neural network submission to make it onto the top-10 leaderboard.

that world. Moreover, we take a broader look about the impact of that single intelligent agent on the macro-patterns of traffic flow, and show a deep RL agent may in fact alleviate traffic jams and create them despite operating under a purely greedy policy.

The latest statistics on the number of submissions and the extent of crowdsourced network training and simulation are as follows:

- Number of submissions: 13,417
- Students participating in competition: 7,120
- Total network parameters optimized: 168.5 million
- Total duration of RL simulations: 96.6 years

Deep reinforcement learning has shown promise to learn to successfully operate in simulated physics environments like MuJoCo [6], in gaming environments [7], [11], and driving environments [8], [9]. Yet, the question of how so much can be learned from such sparse supervision is not yet well explored. We take steps toward such understanding by drawing

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I. INTRODUCTION

Philosophical Motivation for Reinforcement Learning

Takeaway from Supervised Learning:

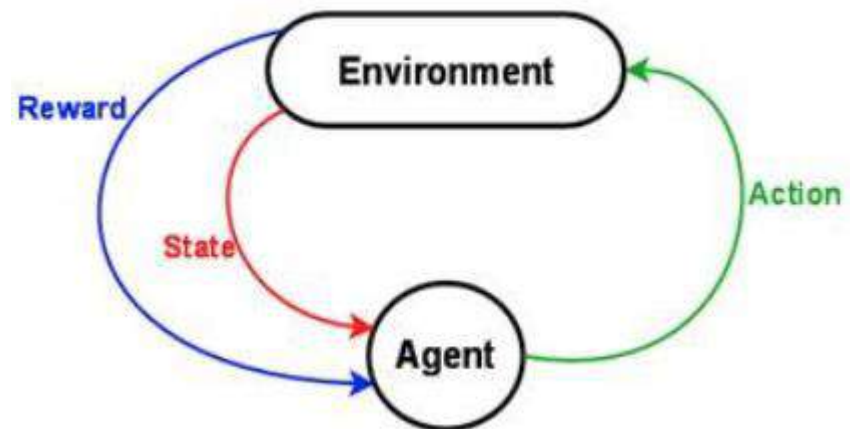
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Hope for Reinforcement Learning:

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Agent and Environment

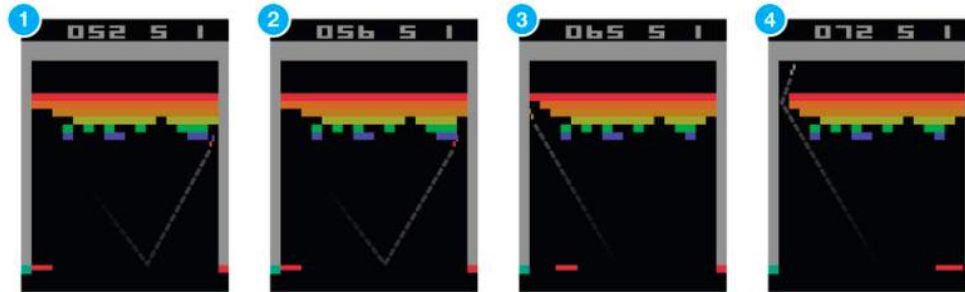
- At each step the agent:
 - Executes action
 - Receives observation (new state)
 - Receives reward
- The environment:
 - Receives action
 - Emits observation (new state)
 - Emits reward



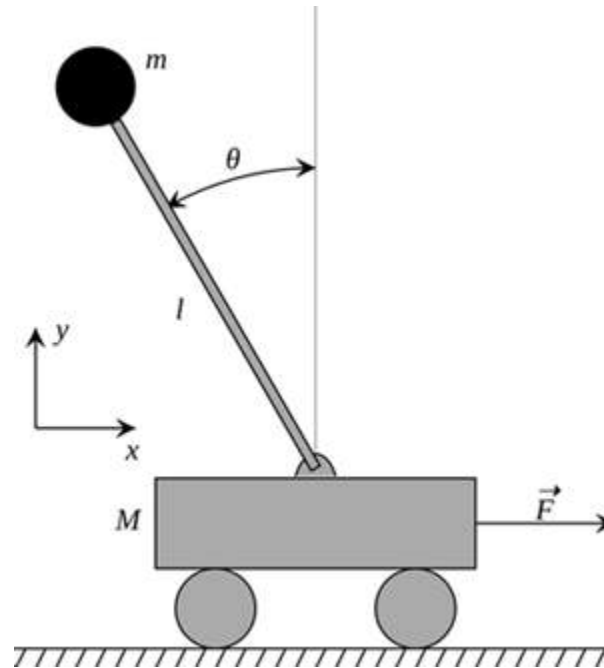
Examples of Reinforcement Learning

Reinforcement learning is a general-purpose framework for decision-making:

- An agent operates in an environment: **Atari Breakout**
- An agent has the capacity to **act**
- Each action influences the agent's **future state**
- Success is measured by a **reward** signal
- **Goal** is to select actions to **maximize future reward**



Examples of Reinforcement Learning



Cart-Pole Balancing

- **Goal** — Balance the pole on top of a moving cart
- **State** — angle, angular speed, position, horizontal velocity
- **Actions** — horizontal force to the cart
- **Reward** — 1 at each time step if the pole is upright

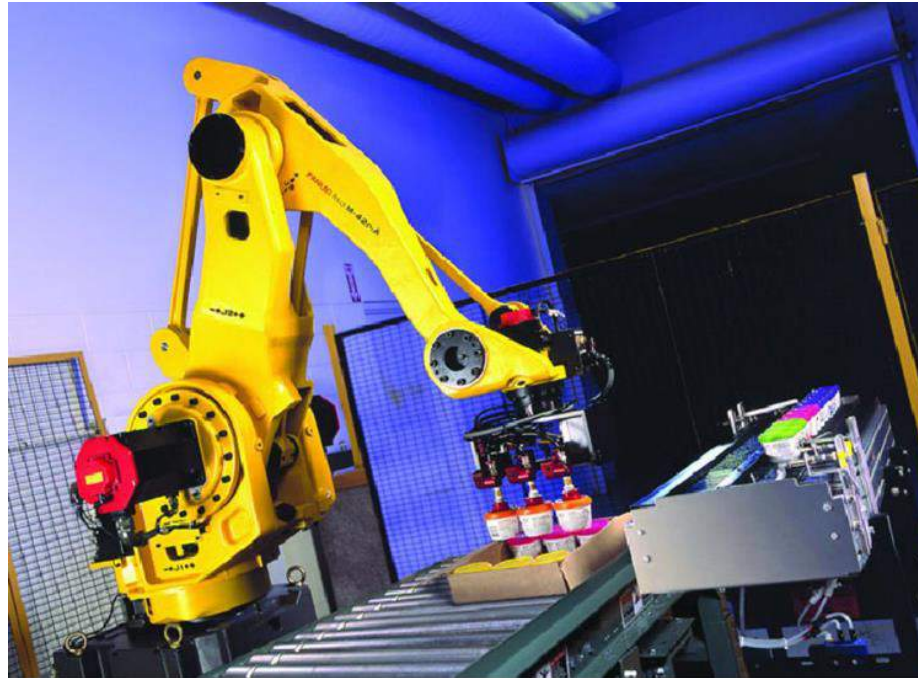
Examples of Reinforcement Learning



Doom

- **Goal** — Eliminate all opponents
- **State** — Raw game pixels of the game
- **Actions** — Up, Down, Left, Right etc
- **Reward** — Positive when eliminating an opponent, negative when the agent is eliminated

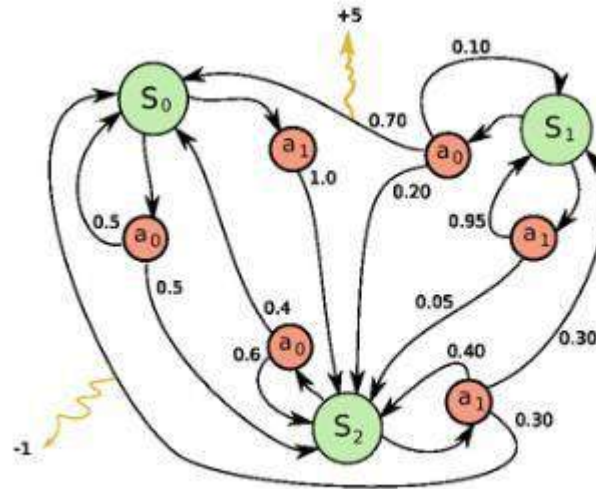
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Bin Packing

- **Goal** - Pick a device from a box and put it into a container
- **State** - Raw pixels of the real world
- **Actions** - Possible actions of the robot
- **Reward** - Positive when placing a device successfully, negative otherwise

Markov Decision Process

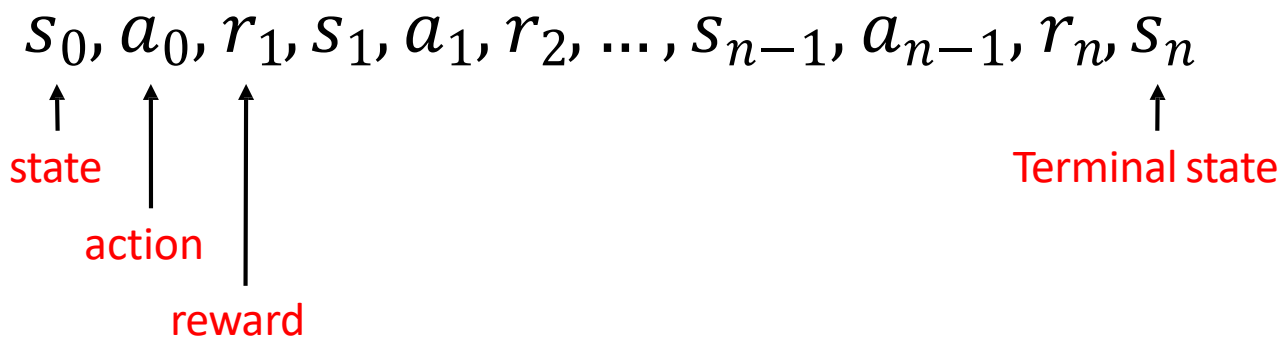


$s_0, a_0, r_1, s_1, a_1, r_2, \dots, s_{n-1}, a_{n-1}, r_n, s_n$
 ↑ state ↑ action ↑ reward ↑ Terminal state

Major Components of an RL Agent

An RL agent may include one or more of these components:

- **Policy:** agent's behavior function
- **Value function:** how good is each state and/or action
- **Model:** agent's representation of the environment



Robot in a Room

			+1
			-1
START			

actions: UP, DOWN, LEFT, RIGHT

UP

80%

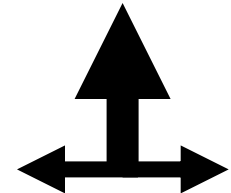
10%

10%

move UP

move LEFT

move RIGHT



- reward +1 at [4,3], -1 at [4,2]
- reward -0.04 for each step
- what's the strategy to achieve max reward?
- what if the actions were deterministic?

Is this a solution?

→	→	→	+1
↑			-1
↑			

- only if actions deterministic
 - not in this case (actions are stochastic)
- solution/policy
 - mapping from each state to an action

Optimal policy

→	→	→	+1
↑		↑	-1
↑	←	←	←

Reward for each step -2

→	→	→	+1
↑		→	-1
→	→	→	↑

Reward for each step: -0.1

→	→	→	+1
↑		↑	-1
↑	→	↑	←

Reward for each step: -0.04

→	→	→	+1
↑		↑	-1
↑	←	←	←

Reward for each step: -0.01

→	→	→	+1
↑		←	-1
↑	←	←	↓

Reward for each step: +0.01

↓	←	←	+1
↓		←	-1
←	←	←	↓

Value Function

- Future reward

$$R = r_1 + r_2 + r_3 + \cdots + r_n$$

$$R_t = r_t + r_{t+1} + r_{t+2} + \cdots + r_n$$

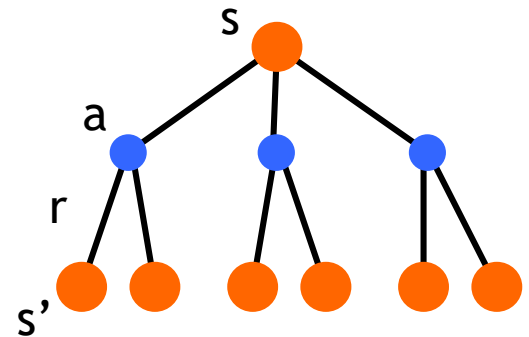
- Discounted future reward (environment is stochastic)

$$\begin{aligned} R_t &= r_t + \gamma r_{t+1} + \gamma^2 r_{t+2} + \cdots + \gamma^{n-t} r_n \\ &= r_t + \gamma(r_{t+1} + \gamma(r_{t+2} + \cdots)) \\ &= r_t + \gamma R_{t+1} \end{aligned}$$

- A good strategy for an agent would be to always choose an action that **maximizes the (discounted) future reward**

Q-Learning

- State-action value function: $Q^\pi(s,a)$
 - Expected return when starting in s , performing a , and following π



- Q-Learning: Use **any policy** to estimate Q that maximizes future reward:
 - Q directly approximates Q^* (Bellman optimality equation)
 - Independent of the policy being followed
 - Only requirement: keep updating each (s,a) pair

$$Q_{t+1}(s_t, a_t) = Q_t(s_t, a_t) + \alpha \left(R_{t+1} + \gamma \max_a Q_t(s_{t+1}, a) - Q_t(s_t, a_t) \right)$$

Learning Rate α Discount Factor γ

New State s_t Old State s_t Reward R_{t+1}

Exploration vs Exploitation

- Key ingredient of Reinforcement Learning
- Deterministic/greedy policy won't explore all actions
 - Don't know anything about the environment at the beginning
 - Need to try all actions to find the optimal one
- Maintain exploration
 - Use *soft* policies instead: $\pi(s,a) > 0$ (for all s,a)
- ϵ -greedy policy
 - With probability $1-\epsilon$ perform the optimal/greedy action
 - With probability ϵ perform a random action
 - Will keep exploring the environment
 - Slowly move it towards greedy policy: $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$

Q-Learning: Value Iteration

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Learning Rate Discount Factor

New State Old State Reward

	A1	A2	A3	A4
S1	+1	+2	-1	0
S2	+2	0	+1	-2
S3	-1	+1	0	-2
S4	-2	0	+1	+1

```
initialize Q[num_states,num_actions] arbitrarily
observe initial state s
repeat
    select and carry out an action a
    observe reward r and new state s'
    Q[s,a] = Q[s,a] + alpha(r + gamma max_a' Q[s',a'] - Q[s,a])
    s = s'
until terminated
```

Q-Learning: Representation Matters

- In practice, Value Iteration is impractical
 - Very limited states/actions
 - Cannot generalize to unobserved states
- Think about the **Breakout** game
 - State: screen pixels
 - Image size: **84 × 84** (resized)
 - Consecutive **4** images
 - Grayscale with **256** gray levels

256^{84×84×4} rows in the Q-table!



Philosophical Motivation for **Deep** Reinforcement Learning

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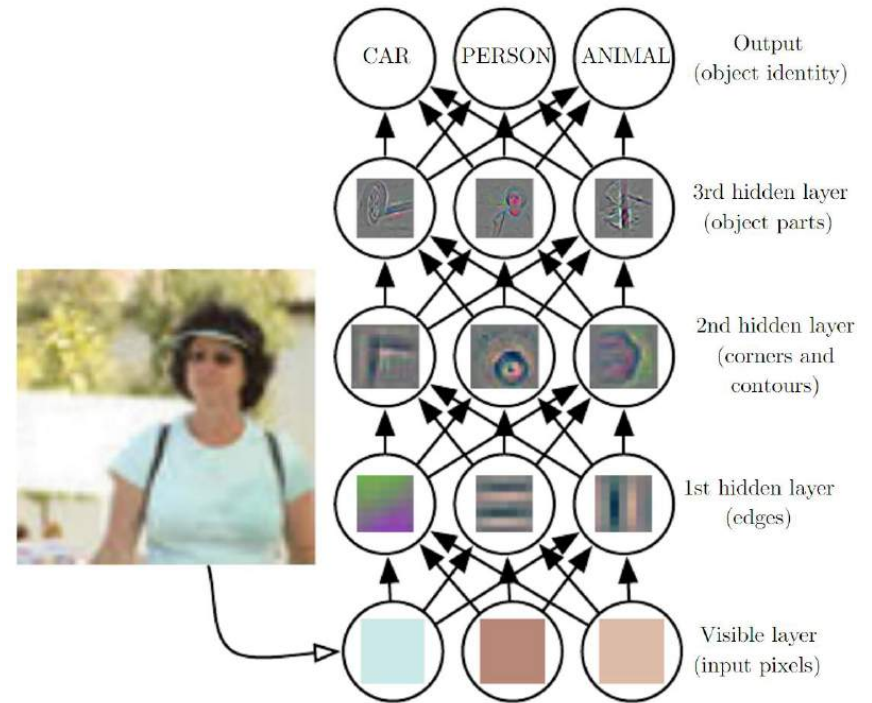
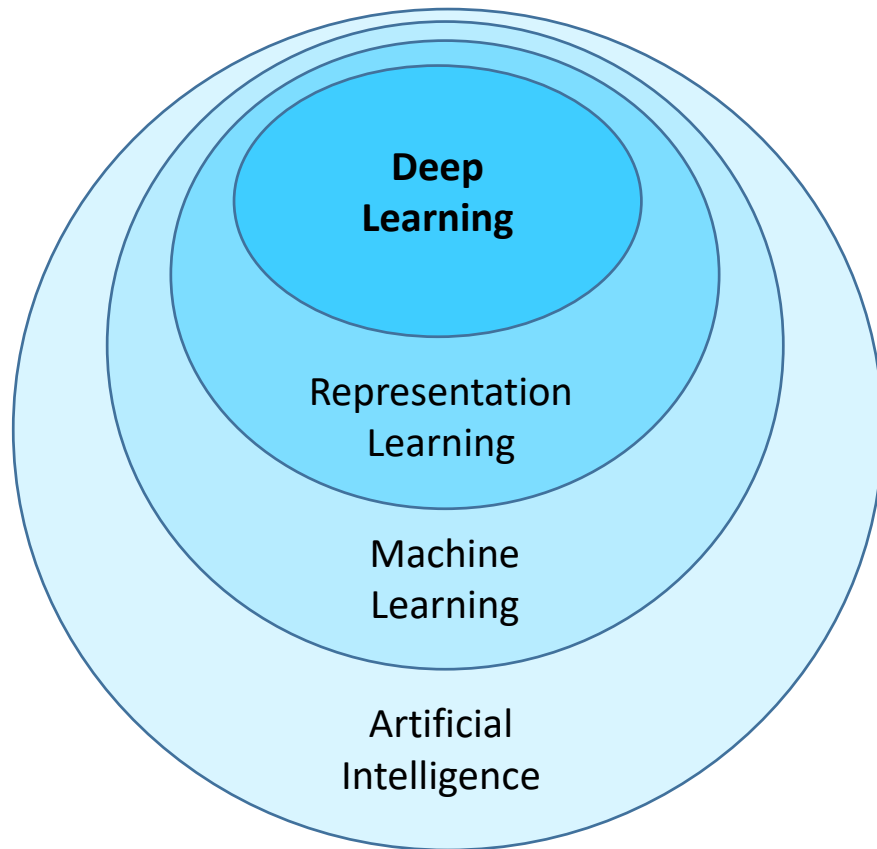
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Hope for Deep Learning + Reinforcement Learning:

General purpose artificial intelligence through efficient generalizable learning of the optimal thing to do given a formalized set of actions and states (possibly huge).

Deep Learning is Representation Learning

(aka Feature Learning)

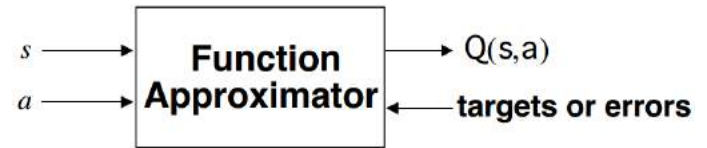


Intelligence: Ability to accomplish **complex goals**.

Understanding: Ability to turn **complex** information to into **simple, useful** information.

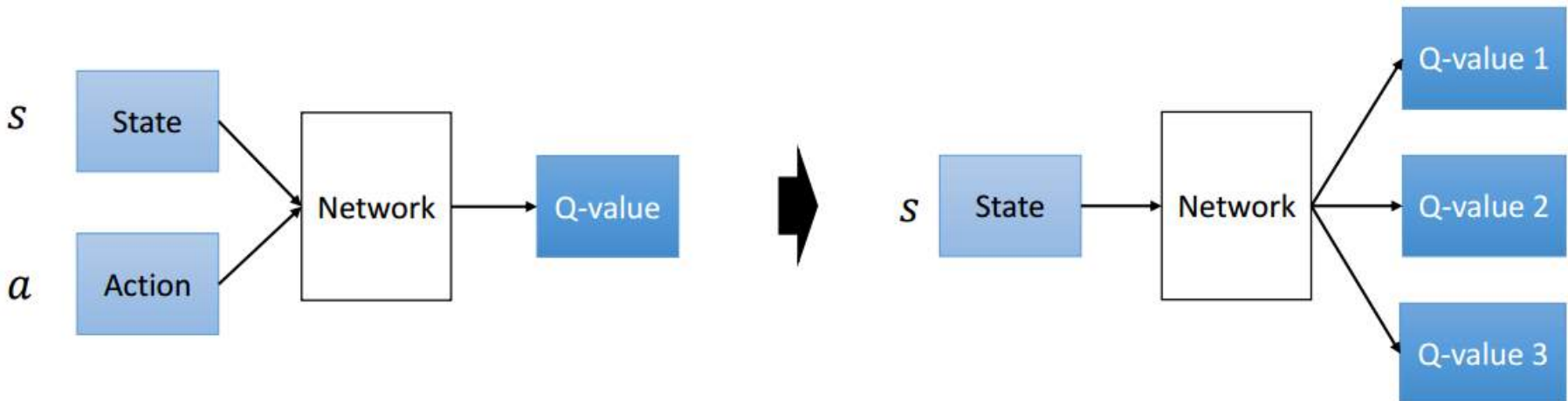
Deep Q-Learning

Use a function (with parameters) to approximate the Q-function

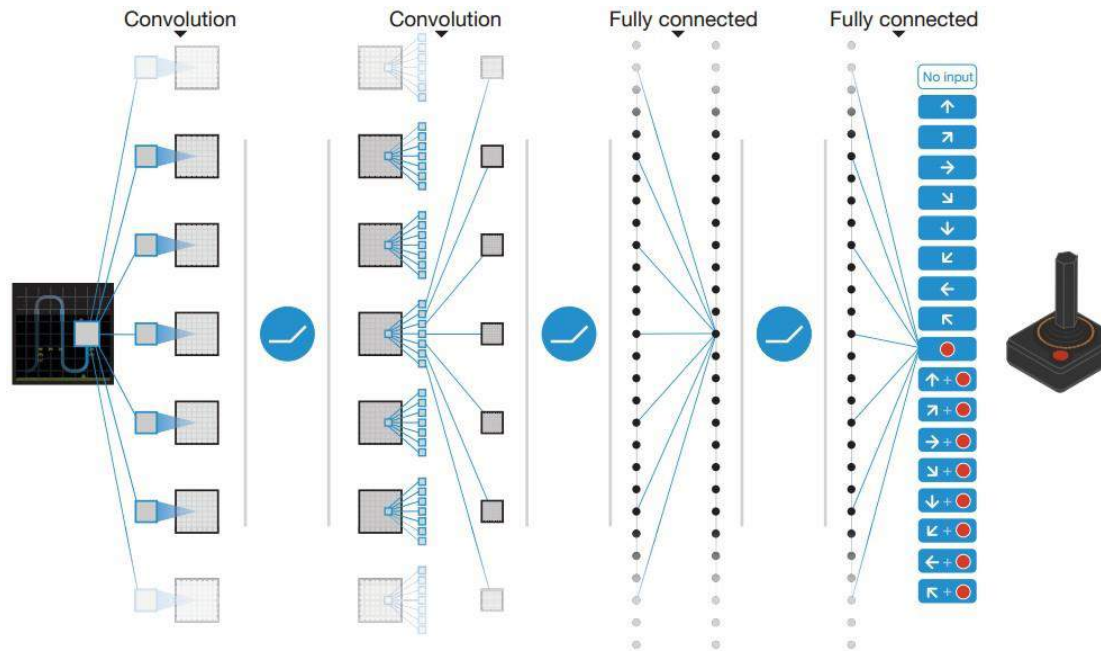


- Linear
- Non-linear: **Q-Network**

$$Q(s, a; \theta) \approx Q^*(s, a)$$



Deep Q-Network (DQN): Atari



Layer	Input	Filter size	Stride	Num filters	Activation	Output
conv1	84x84x4	8x8	4	32	ReLU	20x20x32
conv2	20x20x32	4x4	2	64	ReLU	9x9x64
conv3	9x9x64	3x3	1	64	ReLU	7x7x64
fc4	7x7x64			512	ReLU	512
fc5	512			18	Linear	18

Mnih et al. "Playing atari with deep reinforcement learning." 2013.

Deep Q-Network Training

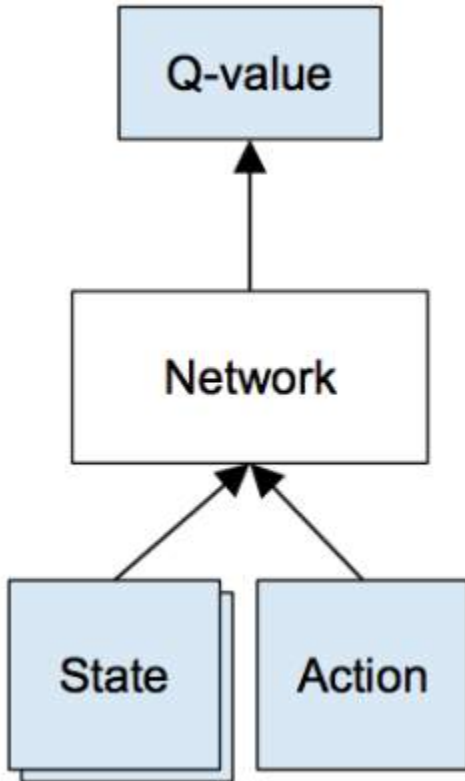
- Bellman Equation:

$$Q(s, a) = r + \gamma \max_{a'} Q(s', a')$$

- Loss function (squared error):

$$L = \mathbb{E}[\underbrace{(r + \gamma \max_{a'} Q(s', a'))}_{\text{target}} - Q(s, a)]^2]$$

DQN Training



Given a transition $\langle s, a, r, s' \rangle$, the Q-table update rule in the previous algorithm must be replaced with the following:

- Do a feedforward pass for the current state s to get **predicted Q-values for all actions**
- Do a feedforward pass for the next state s' and calculate maximum overall network outputs $\max_{a'} Q(s', a')$
- Set Q-value target for action to $r + \gamma \max_{a'} Q(s', a')$ (use the max calculated in step 2).
 - For all other actions, set the Q-value target to the same as originally returned from step 1, making the error 0 for those outputs.
- Update the weights using backpropagation.

DQN Tricks

- Experience Replay
 - Stores experiences (actions, state transitions, and rewards) and creates mini-batches from them for the training process
- Fixed Target Network
 - Error calculation includes the target function depends on network parameters and thus changes quickly. Updating it only every 1,000 steps increases stability of training process.

$$Q(s_t, a) \leftarrow Q(s_t, a) + \alpha \left[r_{t+1} + \gamma \max_p Q(s_{t+1}, p) - Q(s_t, a) \right]$$

target Q function in the red rectangular is fixed

- Reward Clipping
 - To standardize rewards across games by setting all positive rewards to +1 and all negative to -1.
- Skipping Frames
 - Skip every 4 frames to take action

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Replay	○	○	×	×
Target	○	×	○	×
Breakout	316.8	240.7	10.2	3.2
River Raid	7446.6	4102.8	2867.7	1453.0
Seaquest	2894.4	822.6	1003.0	275.8
Space Invaders	1088.9	826.3	373.2	302.0

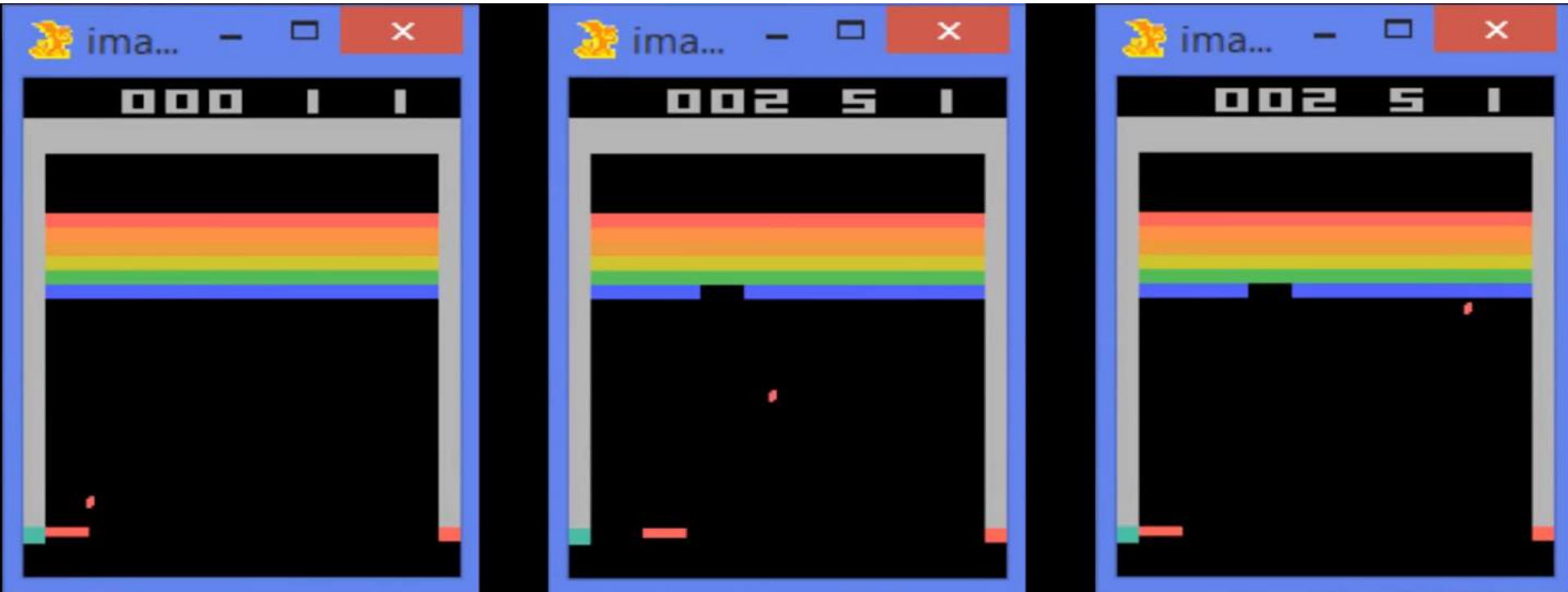
Deep Q-Learning Algorithm

```
initialize replay memory  $D$ 
initialize action-value function  $Q$  with random weights
observe initial state  $s$ 
repeat
    select an action  $a$ 
        with probability  $\epsilon$  select a random action
        otherwise select  $a = \operatorname{argmax}_{a'} Q(s, a')$ 
    carry out action  $a$ 
    observe reward  $r$  and new state  $s'$ 
    store experience  $\langle s, a, r, s' \rangle$  in replay memory  $D$ 

    sample random transitions  $\langle ss, aa, rr, ss' \rangle$  from replay memory  $D$ 
    calculate target for each minibatch transition
        if  $ss'$  is terminal state then  $tt = rr$ 
        otherwise  $tt = rr + \gamma \max_{a'} Q(ss', aa')$ 
    train the  $Q$  network using  $(tt - Q(ss, aa))^2$  as loss

     $s = s'$ 
until terminated
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Atari Breakout

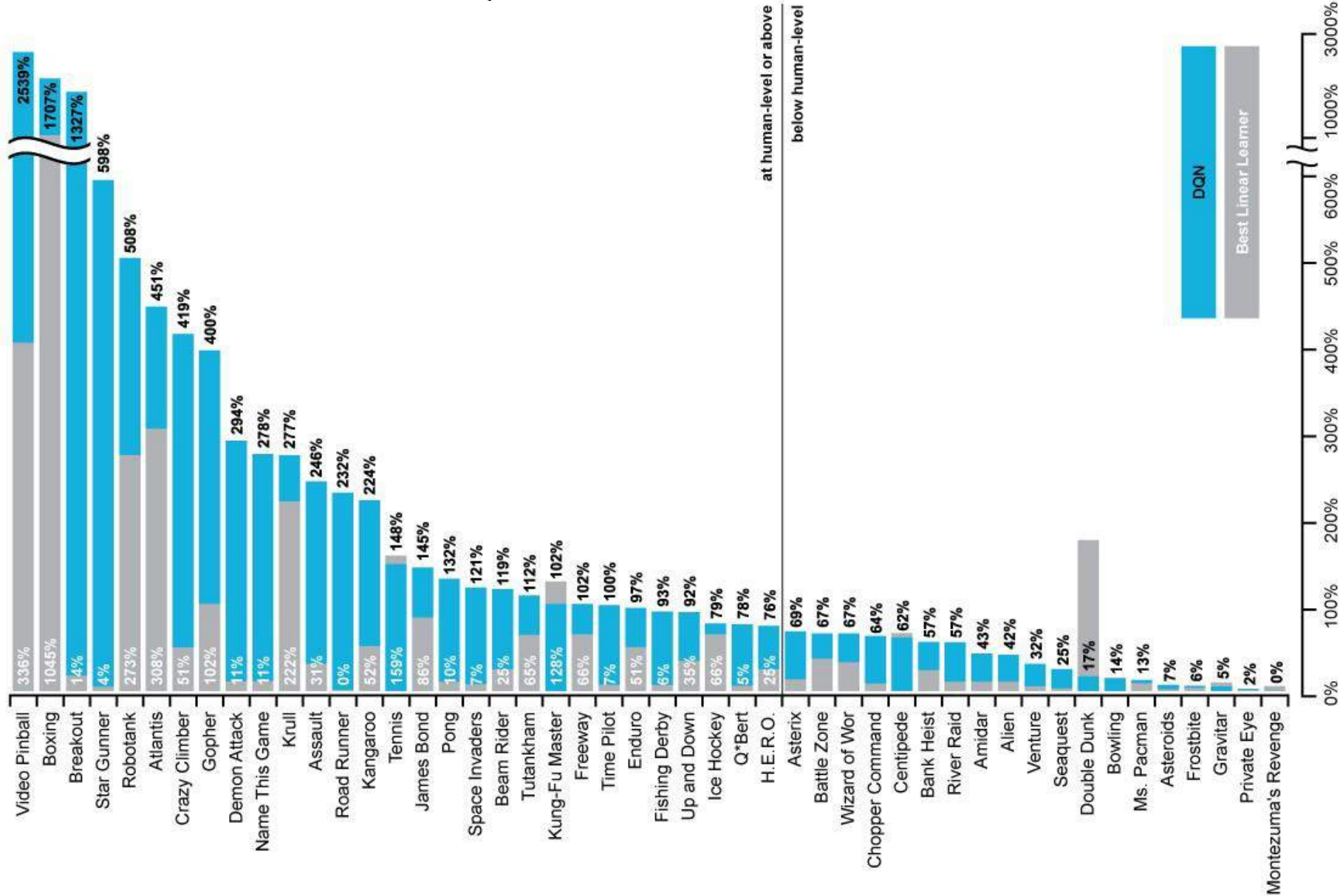


After
10 Minutes
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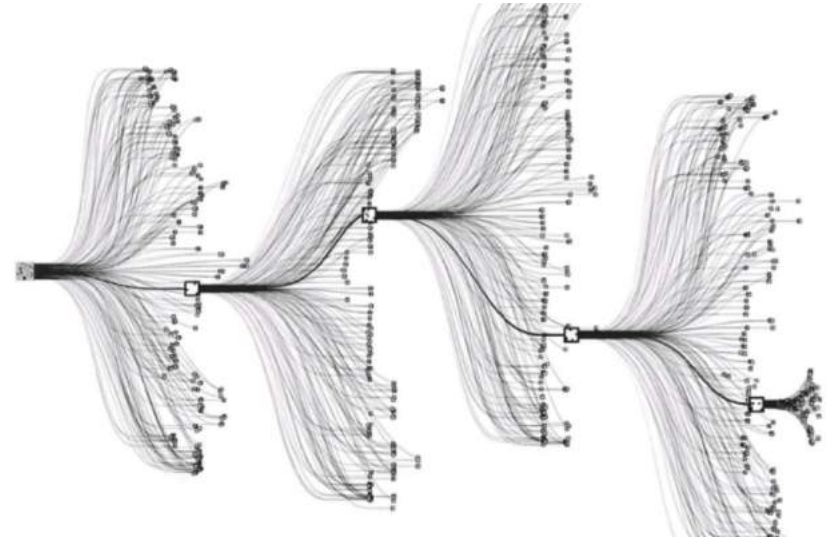
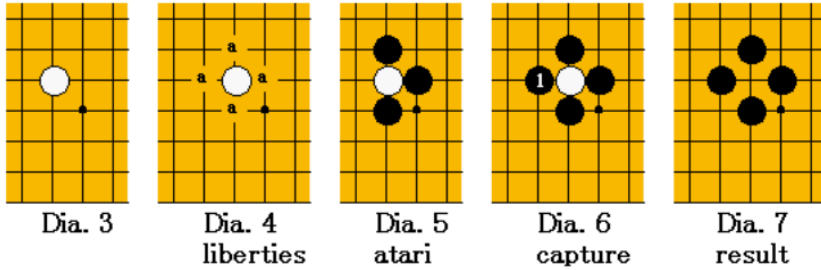
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DQN Results in Atari

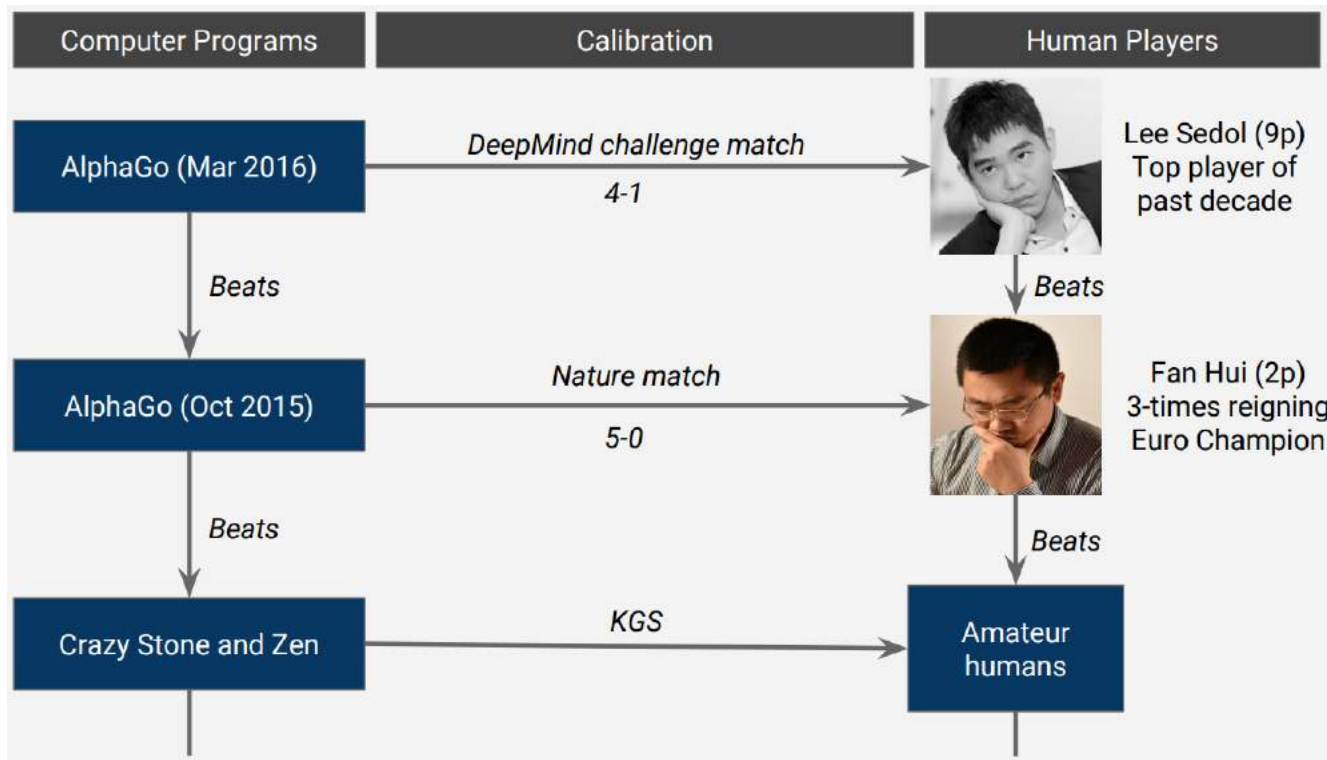
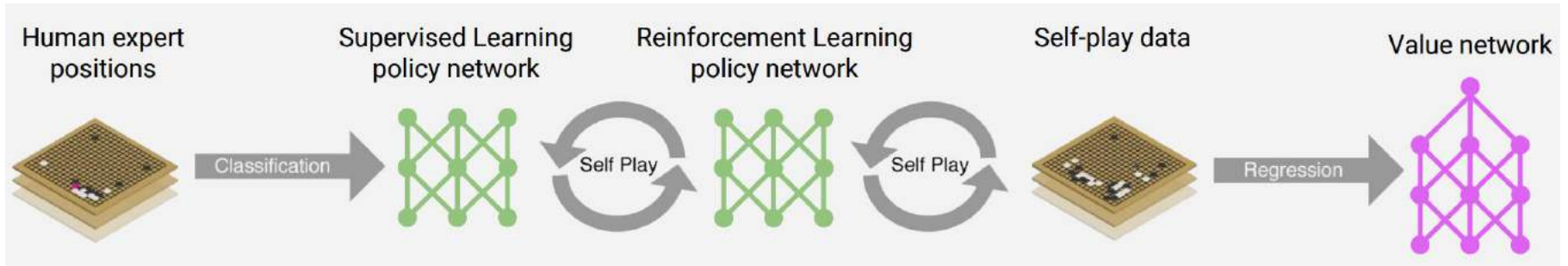


Game of Go

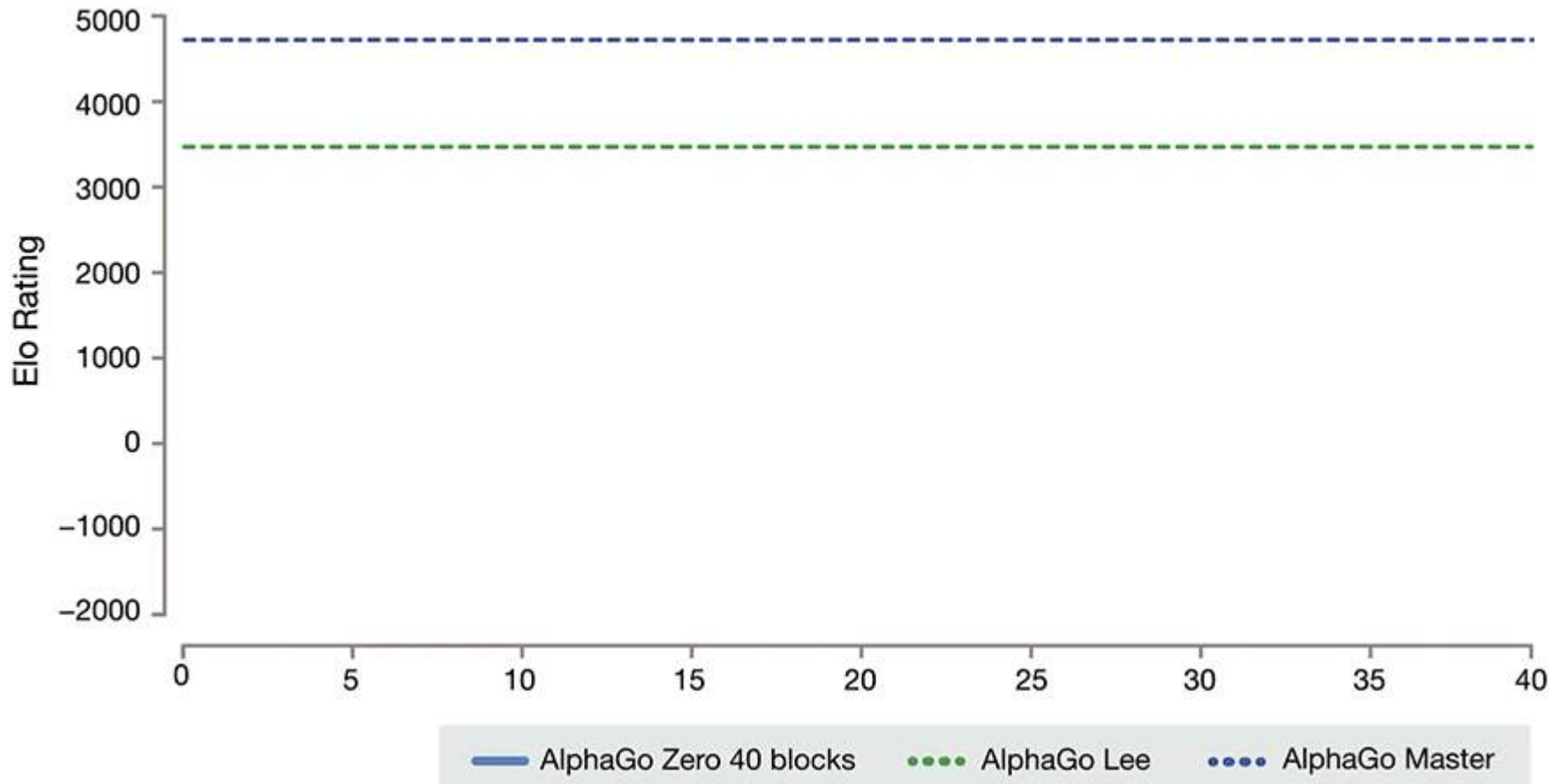


Game size	Board size N	3^N	Percent legal	legal game positions (A094777) ^[11]
1×1	1	3	33%	1
2×2	4	81	70%	57
3×3	9	19,683	64%	12,675
4×4	16	43,046,721	56%	24,318,165
5×5	25	8.47×10^{11}	49%	4.1×10^{11}
9×9	81	4.4×10^{38}	23.4%	1.039×10^{38}
13×13	169	4.3×10^{80}	8.66%	$3.72497923 \times 10^{79}$
19×19	361	1.74×10^{172}	1.196%	$2.08168199382 \times 10^{170}$

AlphaGo (2016) Beat Top Human at Go

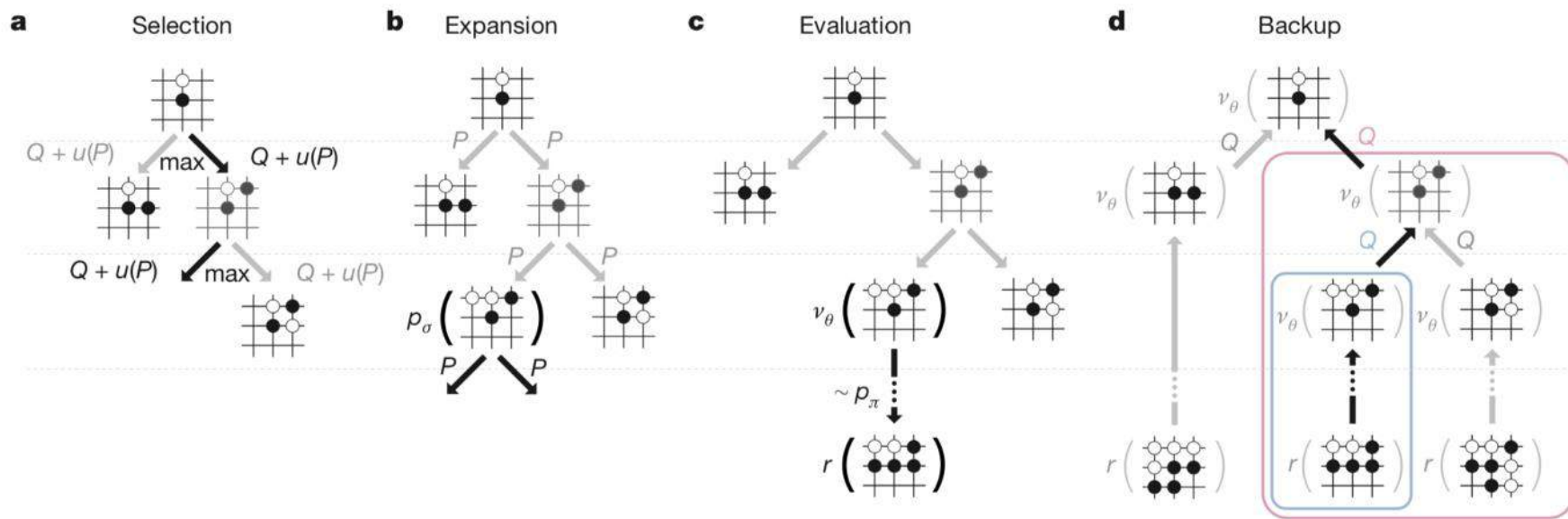


AlphaGo Zero (2017): Beats AlphaGo



AlphaGo Zero Approach

- Same as the best before: Monte Carlo Tree Search (MCTS)
 - Balance exploitation/exploration (going deep on promising positions or exploring new underplayed positions)
- Use a neural network as “intuition” for which positions to expand as part of MCTS (same as AlphaGo)



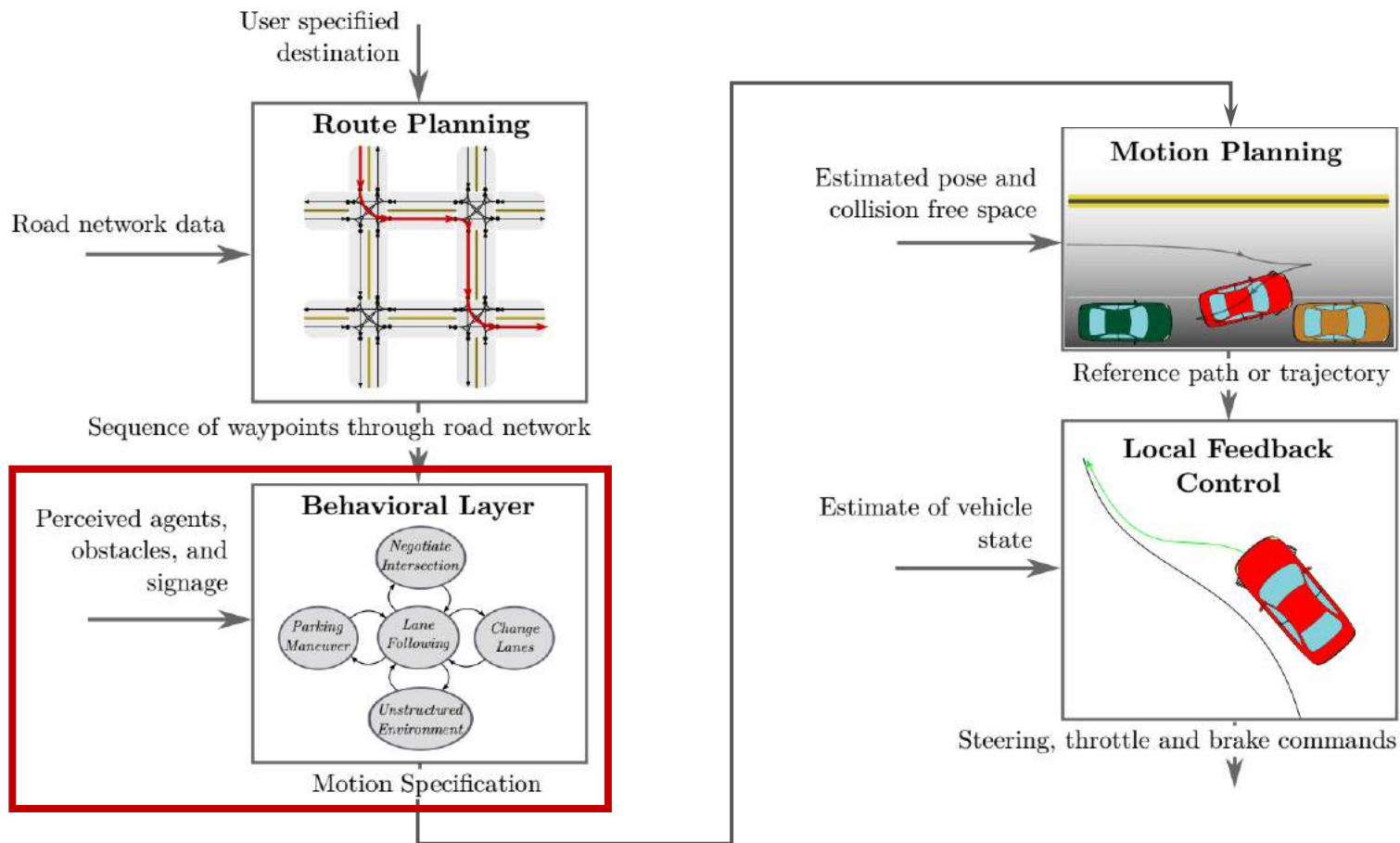
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- “Tricks”
 - Use MCTS intelligent look-ahead (instead of human games) to improve value estimates of play options
 - Multi-task learning: “two-headed” network that outputs (1) move probability and (2) probability of winning.
 - Updated architecture: use residual networks

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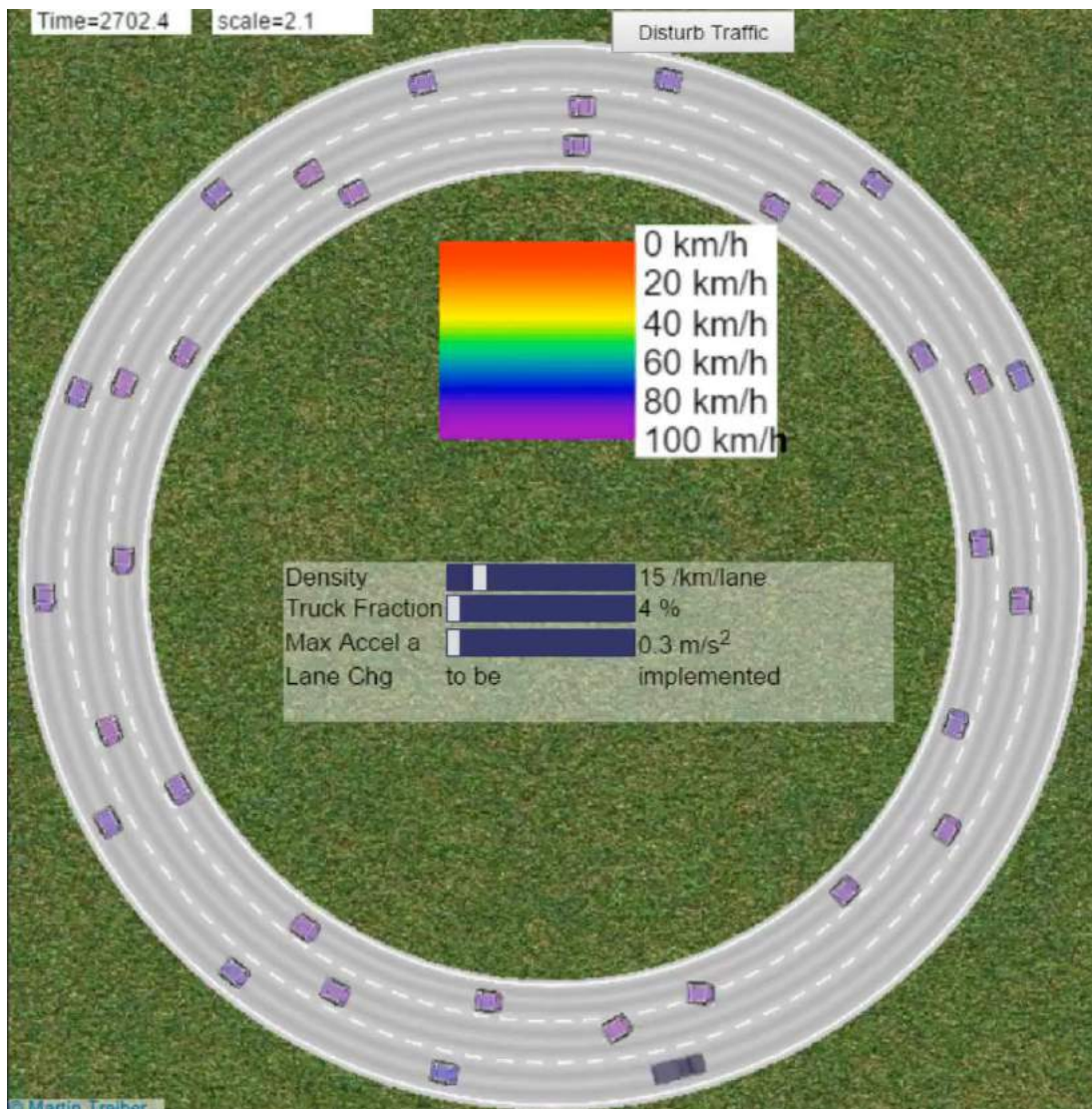


Autonomous Driving: A Hierarchical View

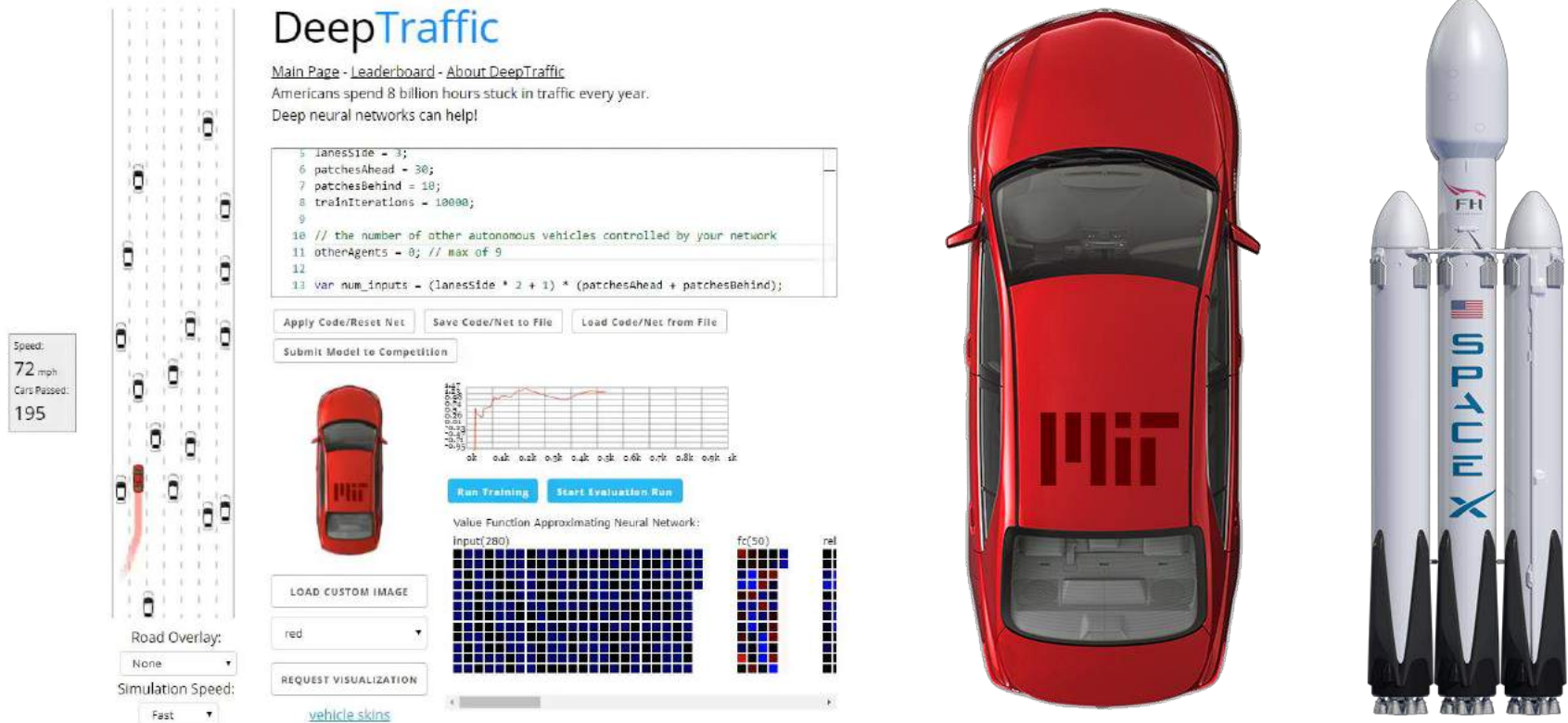


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Applying Deep Reinforcement Learning to Micro-Traffic Simulation



DeepTraffic: Deep Reinforcement Learning Competition



The image shows a screenshot of the DeepTraffic website interface on the left and a rocket on the right. The website interface includes a top navigation bar with links for 'Main Page', 'Leaderboard', and 'About DeepTraffic'. Below this is a text block stating 'Americans spend 8 billion hours stuck in traffic every year. Deep neural networks can help!'. A code editor displays configuration parameters for the simulation, such as 'lanesSide = 3', 'patchesAhead = 30', and 'traIterations = 10000'. Below the code are buttons for 'Apply Code/Reset Net', 'Save Code/Net to File', 'Load Code/Net from File', and 'Submit Model to Competition'. A central area features a red car skin with the MIT logo, a line graph showing 'Average Speed (mph)' over time, and a 'Value Function Approximating Neural Network' visualization with a grid of blue and black squares. On the left side of the interface, a vertical road simulation shows a red car moving through traffic, with a speedometer indicating 72 mph and 'Cars Passed: 195'. A 'Road Overlay' dropdown is set to 'None', and 'Simulation Speed' is set to 'Fast'. A 'vehicle skins' link is visible at the bottom of the interface. To the right of the website screenshot is a large image of a red car with the MIT logo on its hood, and further right is a white SpaceX Falcon Heavy rocket.

<https://selfdrivingcars.mit.edu/deeptraffic>

- **Goal:** Achieve the highest average speed over a long period of time.
- **Requirement for Students:** Follow tutorial to achieve a speed of 65mph

What You Should Do

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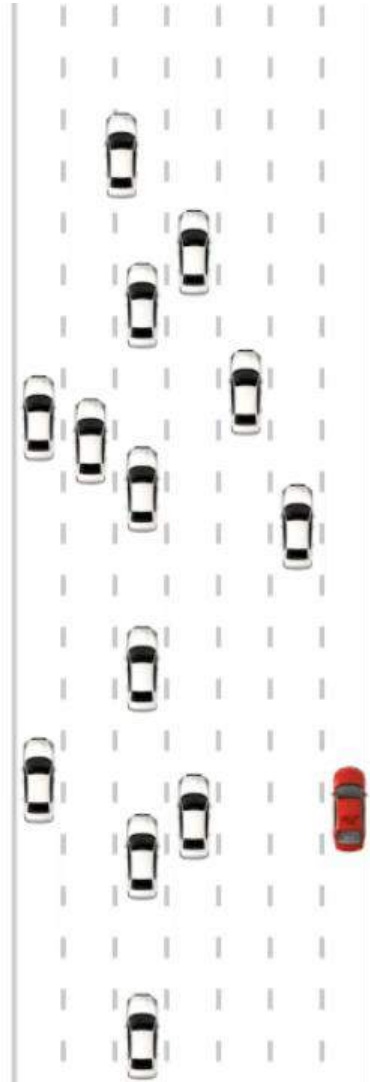
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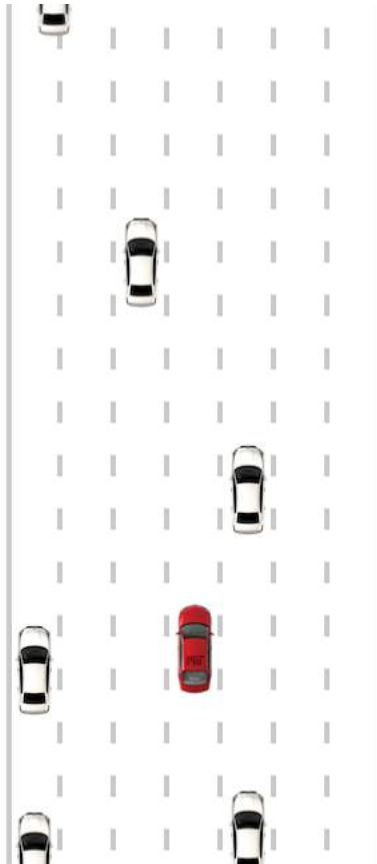
The Road, The Car, The Speed

Speed:
80 mph
Cars Passed:
2142



The Road, The Car, The Speed

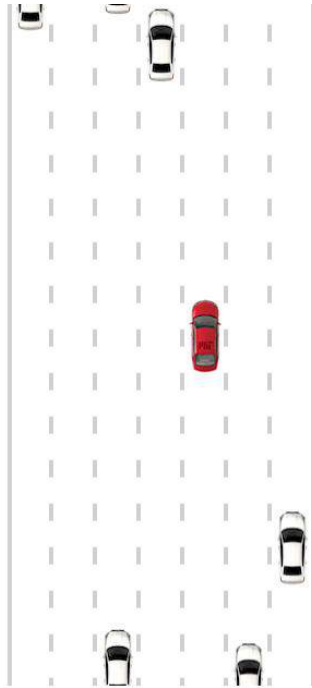
Speed:
47 mph
Cars Passed:
5



State Representation:



Simulation Speed



Road Overlay:

None ▾

Simulation Speed:

Normal ▾



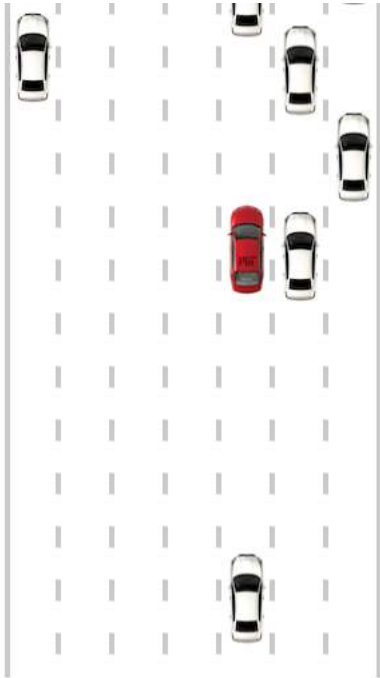
Road Overlay:

None ▾

Simulation Speed:

Fast ▾

Display Options



Road Overlay:

None



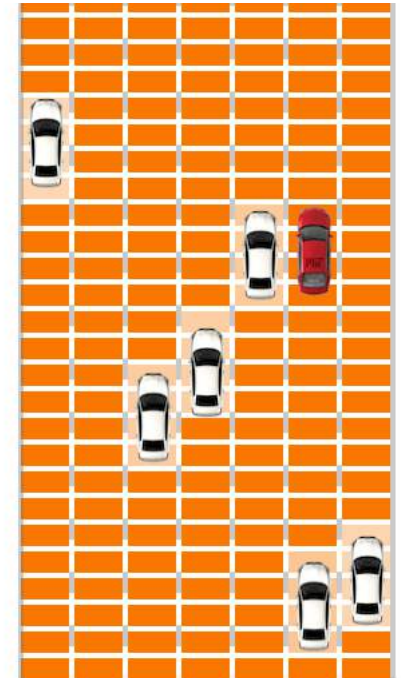
Road Overlay:

Learning Input



Road Overlay:

Safety System



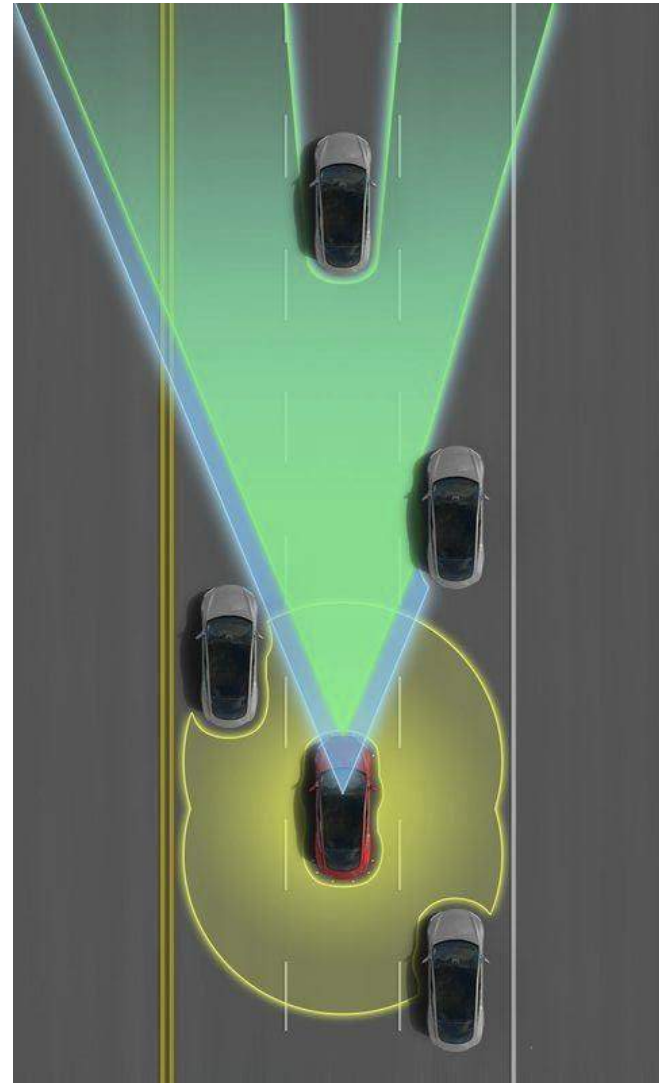
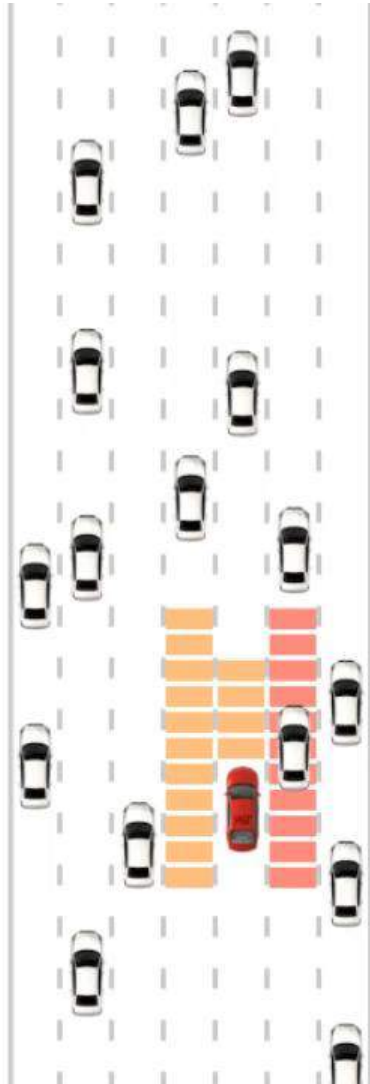
Road Overlay:

Full Map



“Safety System”: Motion and Control are Given

Speed:
68 mph
Cars Passed:
2838



Safety System



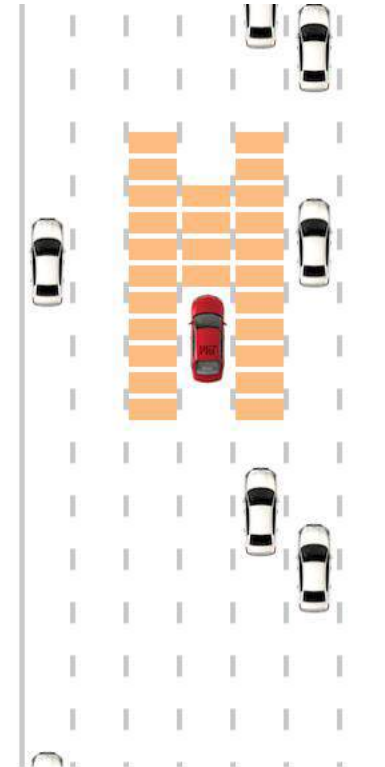
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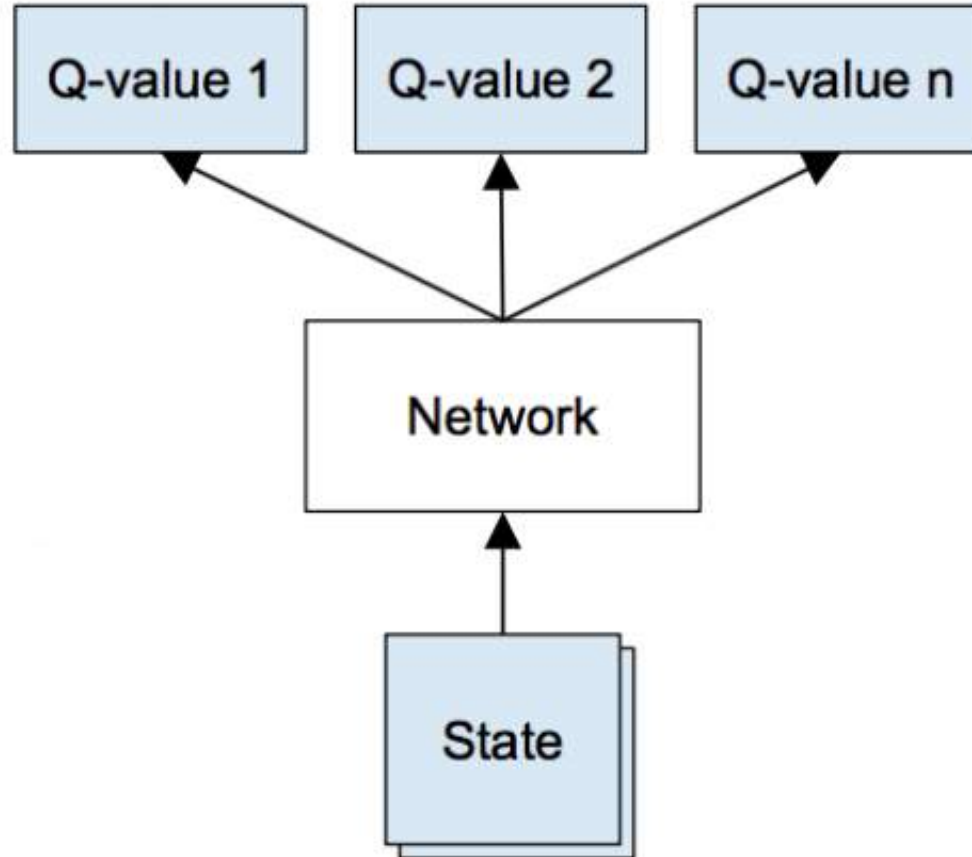
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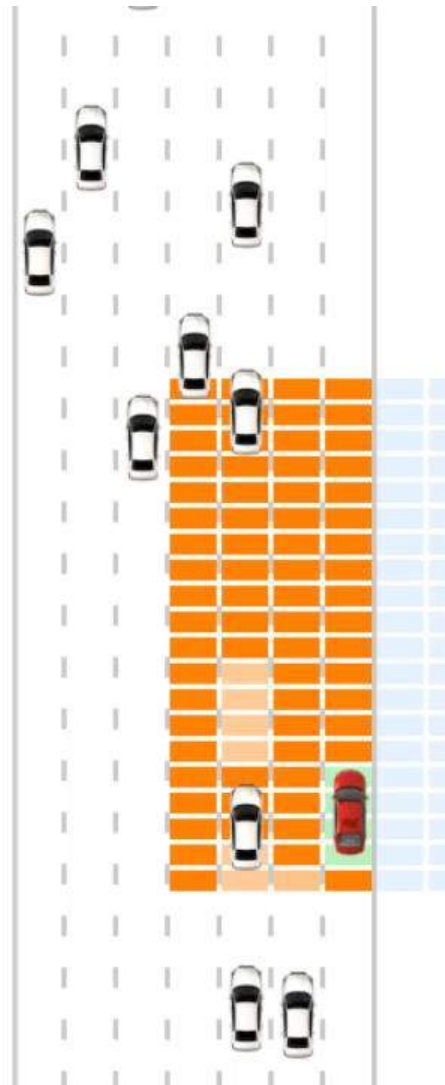
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Learning the “Behavioral Layer” Task



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Speed:

80 mph

Cars Passed:

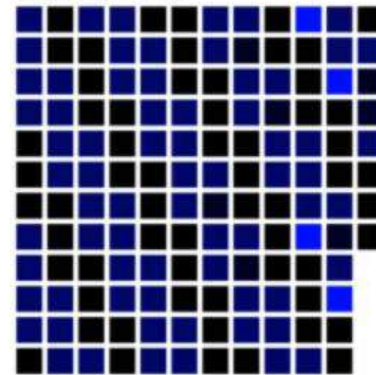
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DeepTraffic

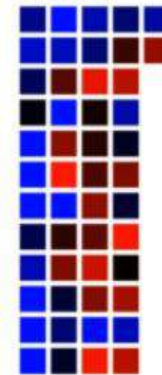
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Value Function Approximating Neural Network:

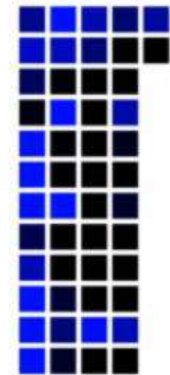
input(140)



fc(50)



relu(50)



fc(5)



Action Space

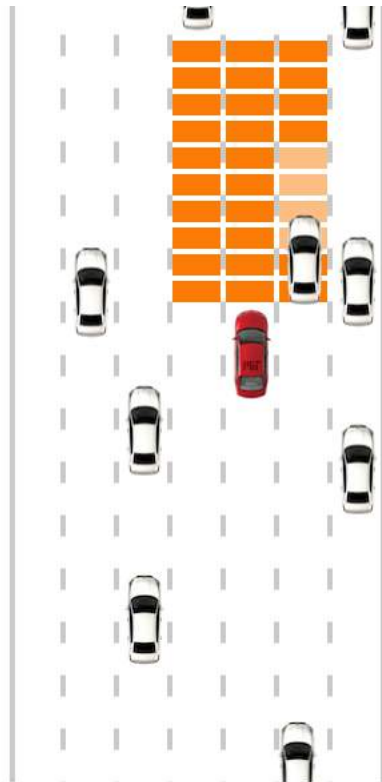


Road Overlay:

Learning Input ↕

```
var noAction = 0;  
var accelerateAction = 1;  
var decelerateAction = 2;  
var goLeftAction = 3;  
var goRightAction = 4;
```

Driving / Learning



Road Overlay:

Learning Input ⇅

```
learn = function (state, lastReward) {  
  brain.backward(lastReward);  
  var action = brain.forward(state);  
  return action;  
}
```

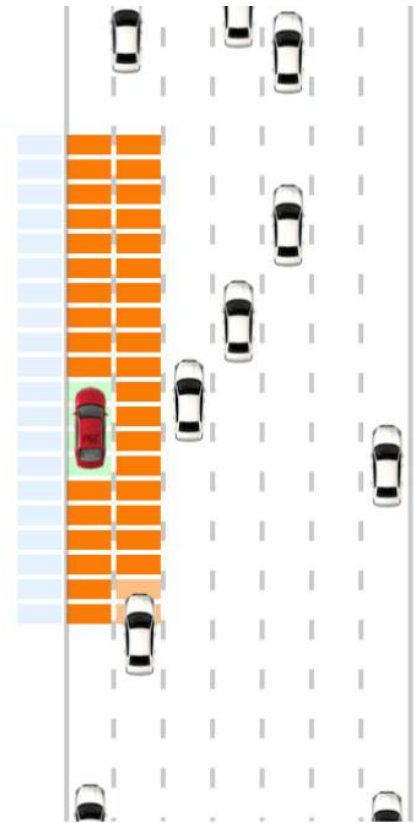
Learning Input



```
lanesSide = 1;  
patchesAhead = 10;  
patchesBehind = 0;
```



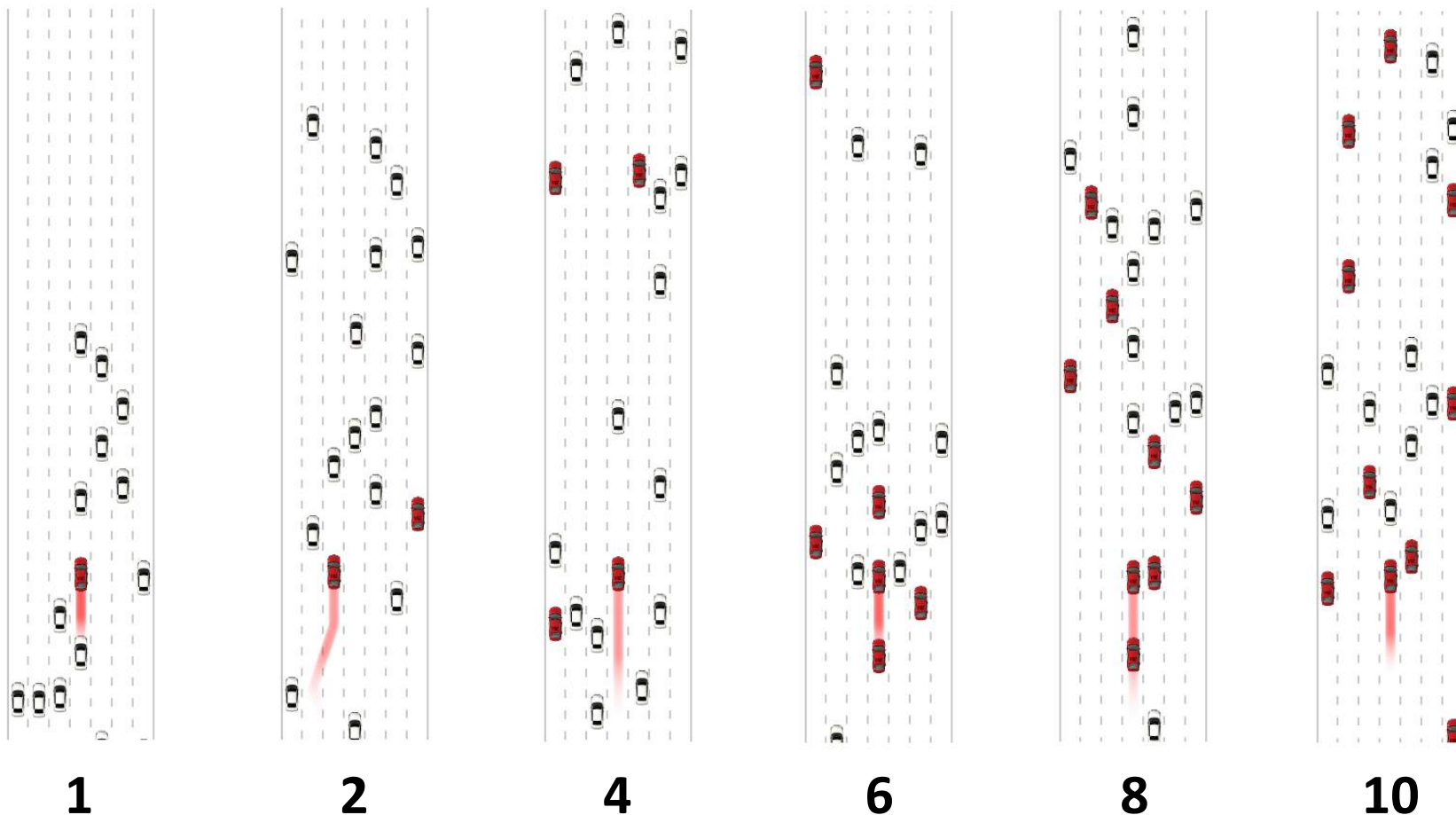
```
lanesSide = 2;  
patchesAhead = 10;  
patchesBehind = 0;
```



```
lanesSide = 1;  
patchesAhead = 10;  
patchesBehind = 10;
```

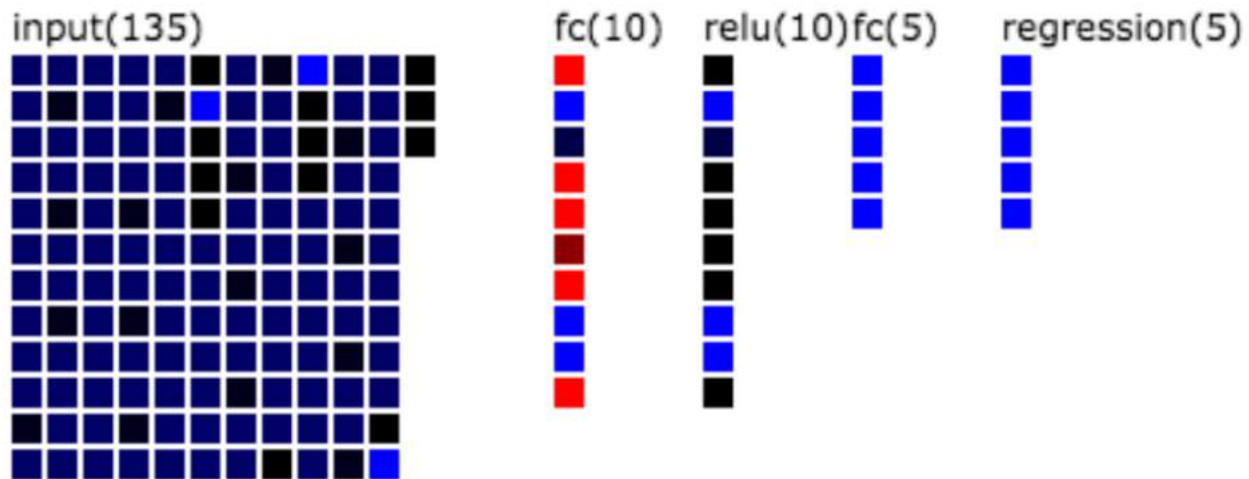
Multiple Agents

```
// the number of other autonomous vehicles controlled by your network  
otherAgents = 0; // max of 9
```



Deep RL: Q-Function Learning Parameters

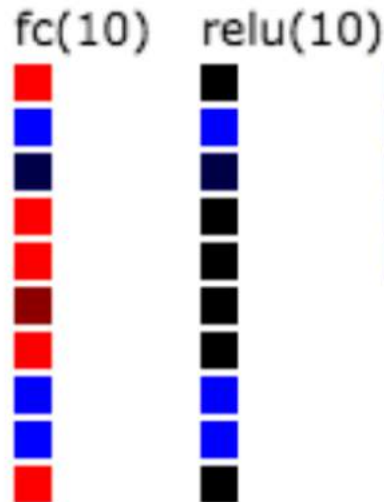
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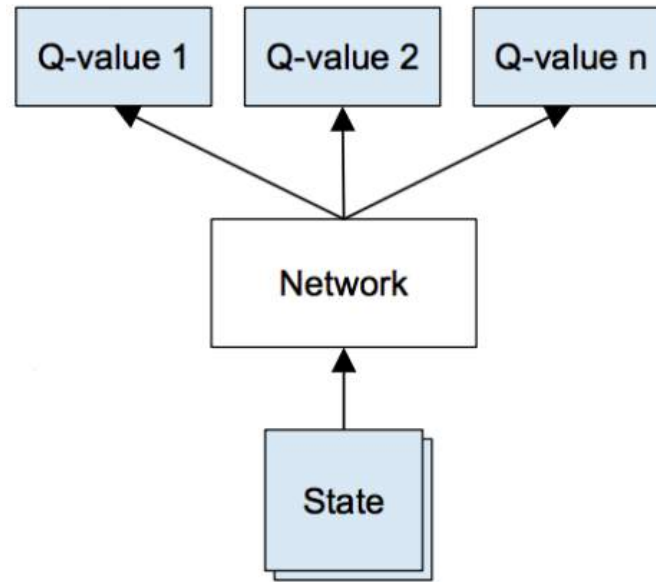
```
var num_inputs = (lanesSide * 2 + 1) * (patchesAhead + patchesBehind);  
var num_actions = 5;  
var temporal_window = 3;  
var network_size = num_inputs * temporal_window + num_actions *  
temporal_window + num_inputs;
```


Deep RL: Layers

```
layer_defs.push({  
  type: 'fc',  
  num_neurons: 10,  
  activation: 'relu'  
});
```



Deep RL: Output (Actions)



```
layer_defs.push({  
  type: 'regression',  
  num_neurons: num_actions  
});
```



ConvNetJS: Options

```
var opt = {};  
opt.temporal_window = temporal_window;  
opt.experience_size = 3000;  
opt.start_learn_threshold = 500;  
opt.gamma = 0.7;  
opt.learning_steps_total = 10000;  
opt.learning_steps_burnin = 1000;  
opt.epsilon_min = 0.0;  
opt.epsilon_test_time = 0.0;  
opt.layer_defs = layer_defs;  
opt.tdtrainer_options = {  
    learning_rate: 0.001, momentum: 0.0, batch_size: 64, l2_decay: 0.01  
};  
  
brain = new deepqlearn.Brain(num_inputs, num_actions, opt);
```

Coding/Changing the Net Layout

```
1
2 //<![CDATA[
3 // a few things don't have var in front of them - they update already
  existing variables the game needs
4 lanesSide = 1;
5 patchesAhead = 10;
6 patchesBehind = 10;
7 trainIterations = 100000;
8
9 // begin from convnetjs example
10 var num_inputs = (lanesSide * 2 + 1) * (patchesAhead + patchesBehind);
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12 var temporal_window = 3; //1 // amount of temporal memory. 0 = agent lives
  in-the-moment :)
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```

Apply Code/Reset Net

Watch out: kills trained state!

Training

trainIterations = 100000;

Run Training

- Done on separate thread (Web Workers)
 - Separate simulation, resets, state, etc.
 - A lot faster (1000 fps +)
- Network state gets shipped to the main simulation from time to time
 - You get to see the improvements/learning live



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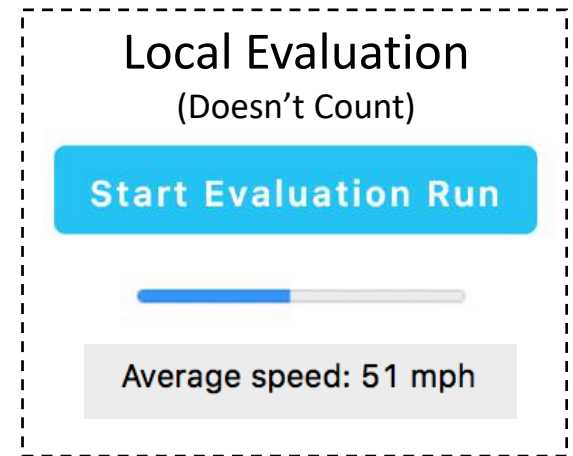
Run Training

...



Evaluation

- Scoring: Average Speed
- Method:
 - Collect average speed
 - Ten runs, about 45 (simulated) minutes of game each
 - Result: median speed of the 500 runs
- Done server side after you submit
- You can try it locally to get an estimate
 - Uses exactly the same evaluation procedure/code
 - DeepTraffic 2.0: Significantly reduced the influence of randomness



Loading/Saving

Save Code/Net to File

- Danger: Overwrites all of your code and the trained net

Load Code/Net from File

Submitting Your Network

Submit Model to Competition

- Submits your code and the trained net state
 - **Make sure you ran training!**
- Adds your code to the end of a queue
 - Gets evaluated some time soon (no promises when)
- You can resubmit as often as you like
 - If your code wasn't evaluated yet it we still remove it from the queue (and move you to the end)
 - The highest score counts.

Customization and Visualization



Load Custom Image

Red ▼

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[Vehicle Skins](#)

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DeepTraffic: Deep Reinforcement Learning Competition

- **Competition:** <https://github.com/lexfridman/deeptraffic>
- **GitHub:** <https://github.com/lexfridman/deeptraffic>
- **Paper on arXiv:** <https://arxiv.org/abs/1801.02805>

DeepTraffic: Driving Fast through Dense Traffic with Deep Reinforcement Learning

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Abstract—We present a micro-traffic simulation (named “DeepTraffic”) where the perception, control, and planning systems for one of the cars are all handled by a single neural network as part of a model-free, off-policy reinforcement learning process. The primary goal of DeepTraffic is to make the hands-on study of deep reinforcement learning accessible to thousands of students, educators, and researchers in order to inspire and fuel the exploration and evaluation of DQN variants and hyperparameter configurations through large-scale, open competition. This paper investigates the crowd-sourced hyperparameter tuning of the policy network that resulted from the first iteration of the DeepTraffic competition where thousands of participants actively searched through the hyperparameter space with the objective of their neural network submission to make it onto the top-10 leaderboard.

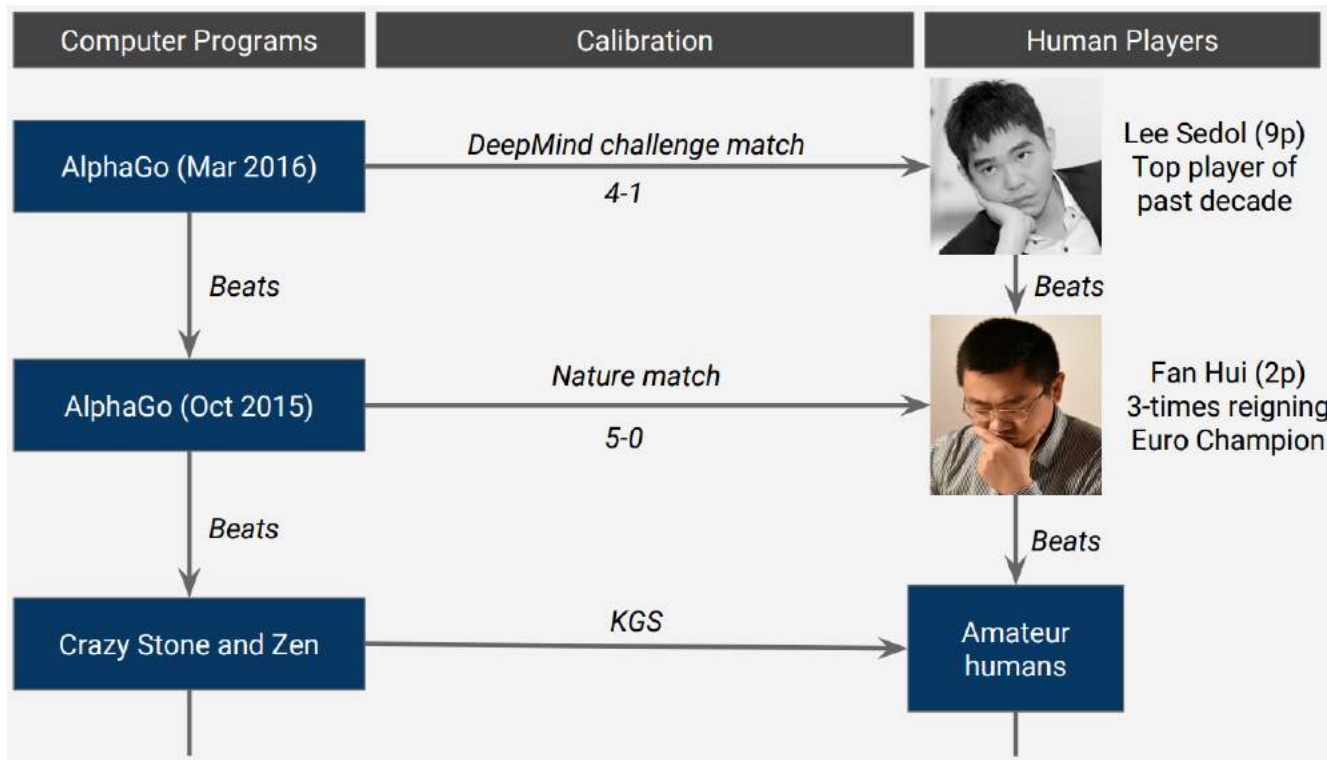
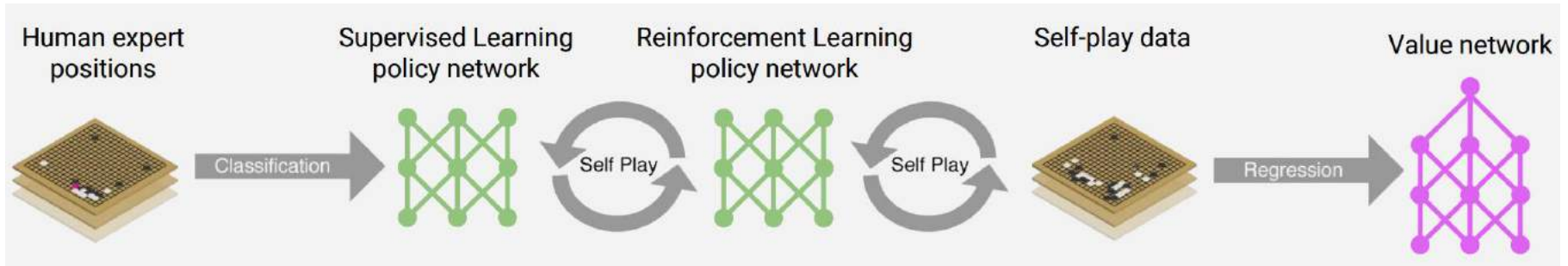
that world. Moreover, we take a broader look about the impact of that single intelligent agent on the macro-patterns of traffic flow, and show a deep RL agent may in fact alleviate traffic jams and create them despite operating under a purely greedy policy.

The latest statistics on the number of submissions and the extent of crowdsourced network training and simulation are as follows:

- Number of submissions: 13,417
- Students participating in competition: 7,120
- Total network parameters optimized: 168.5 million
- Total duration of RL simulations: 96.6 years

Deep reinforcement learning has shown promise to learn to successfully operate in simulated physics environments like MuJoCo [6], in gaming environments [7], [11], and driving environments [8], [9]. Yet, the question of how so much can be learned from such sparse supervision is not yet well explored. We take steps toward such understanding by drawing

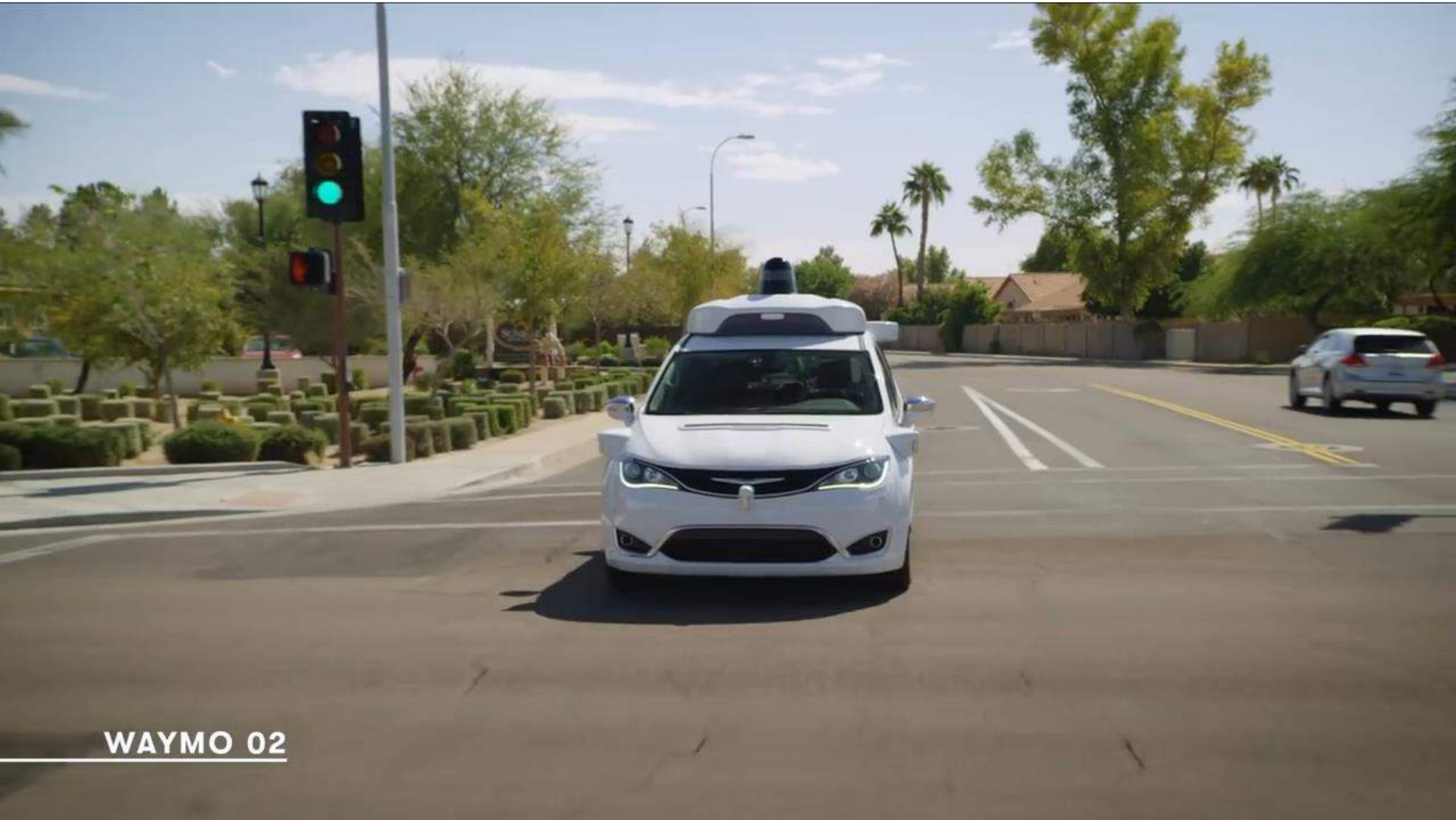
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WAYMO 02

Unexpected Local Pockets of High Reward



AI Safety

Risk (*and thus Human Life*) Part of the Loss Function



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A photograph of an astronaut in a white spacesuit standing on the moon's surface. The astronaut is looking up at the Earth in the sky. The moon's surface is covered in craters and shadows. A large, dark, rectangular structure is visible on the right side of the image.

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Thank You

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