CS 188: Artificial Intelligence

Advanced Applications: Robotics**



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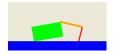
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So Far: Foundational Methods







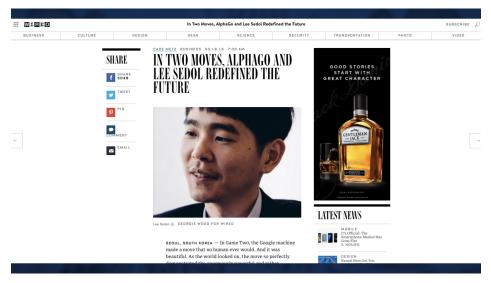


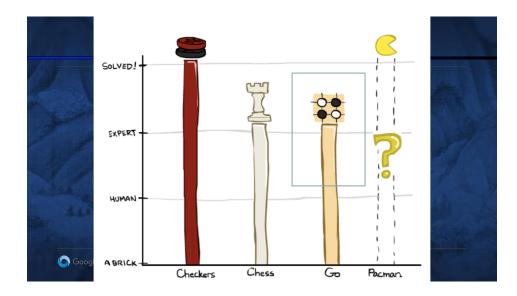
Now: Advanced Applications





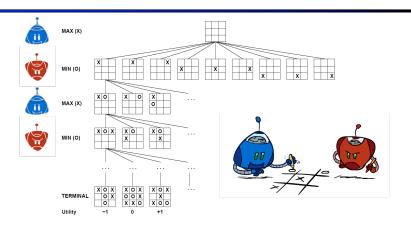






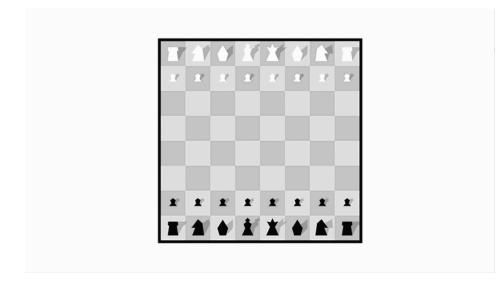
How would you make an AI for Go?

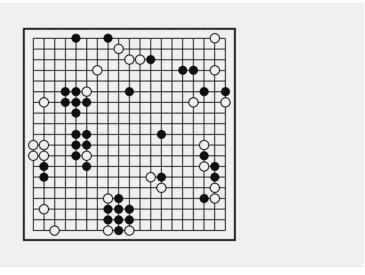
MiniMax!



Why is it hard?

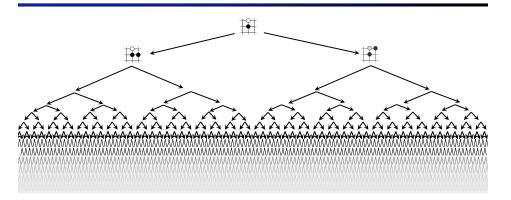
In particular, why is it harder than chess?

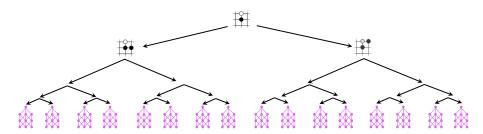




Exhaustive search

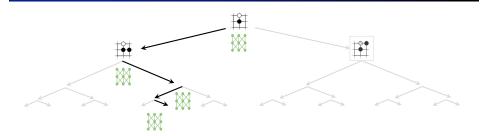
Reducing depth with value network

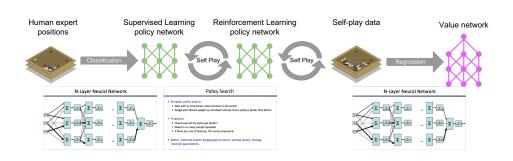




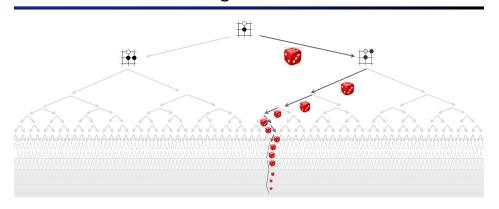
Reducing breadth with policy network

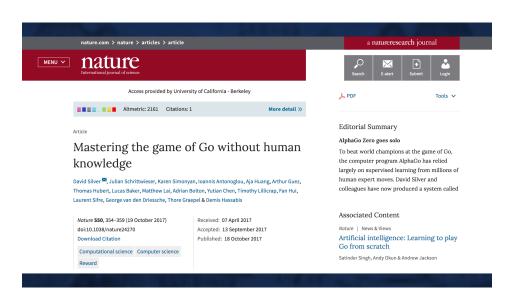
Neural network training pipeline





One more thing: Monte-Carlo rollouts

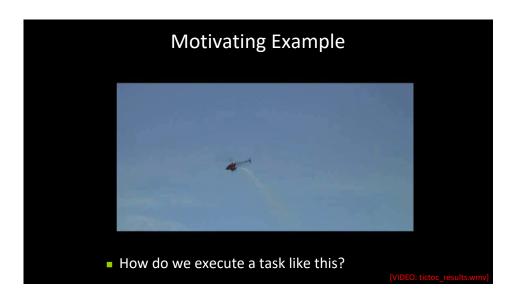






Robotic Helicopters





Autonomous Helicopter Flight

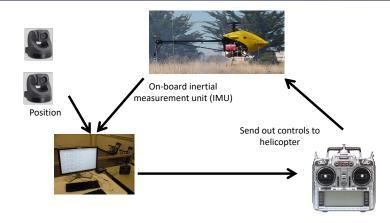




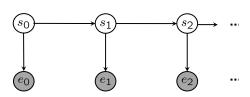
Key challenges:

- Track helicopter position and orientation during flight
- Decide on control inputs to send to helicopter

Autonomous Helicopter Setup



HMM for Tracking the Helicopter



- State: $s=(x,y,z,\phi,\theta,\psi,\dot{x},\dot{y},\dot{z},\dot{\phi},\dot{\theta},\dot{\psi})$
- Measurements: [observation update]
 - 3-D coordinates from vision, 3-axis magnetometer, 3-axis gyro, 3-axis accelerometer
- Transitions (dynamics): [time elapse update]
 - $s_{t+1} = f(s_t, a_t) + w_t$ f: encodes helicopter dynamics, w: noise

Helicopter MDP

• State: $s=(x,y,z,\phi,\theta,\psi,\dot{x},\dot{y},\dot{z},\dot{\phi},\dot{\theta},\dot{\psi})$

- Actions (control inputs):
 - a_{lon}: Main rotor longitudinal cyclic pitch control (affects pitch rate)
 - a_{lat}: Main rotor latitudinal cyclic pitch control (affects roll rate)
 - a_{coll}: Main rotor collective pitch (affects main rotor thrust)
 - a_{rud}: Tail rotor collective pitch (affects tail rotor thrust)



Transitions (dynamics):

s_{t+1} = f (s_t, a_t) + W_t
 [f encodes helicopter dynamics]
 [w is a probabilistic noise model]

Can we solve the MDP yet?



Problem: What's the Reward?

Reward for hovering:

$$R(s) = -\alpha_x (x - x^*)^2$$

$$-\alpha_y (y - y^*)^2$$

$$-\alpha_z (z - z^*)^2$$

$$-\alpha_{\dot{x}} \dot{x}^2$$

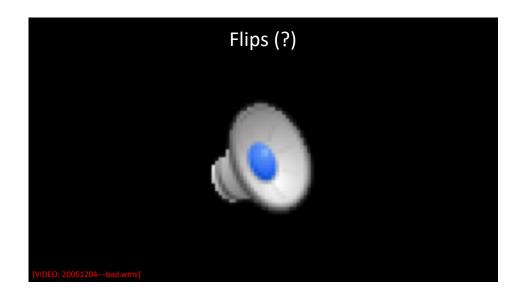
$$-\alpha_{\dot{y}} \dot{y}^2$$

$$-\alpha_{\dot{z}} \dot{z}^2$$

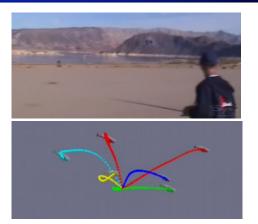
RL: Helicopter Flight [Andrew Ng] RL: Helicopter Flight

Problem for More General Case: What's the Reward?

- Rewards for "Flip"?
 - Problem: what's the target trajectory?
 - Just write it down by hand?



Helicopter Apprenticeship?

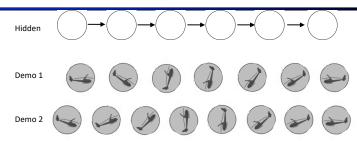


Demonstrations

[VIDEO: airshow_unaligned.wmv]



Learning a Trajectory

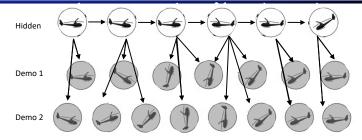


- HMM-like generative model
 - Dynamics model used as HMM transition model
 - Demos are observations of hidden trajectory
- Problem: how do we align observations to hidden trajectory?

Abbeel, Coates, Ng, IJRR 2010

Aligned Demonstrations

Probabilistic Alignment using a Bayes' Net



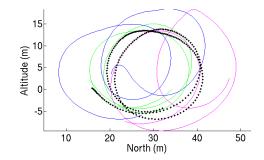
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Dynamic Time Warping (Needleman&Wunsch 1970, Sakoe&Chiba, 1978)

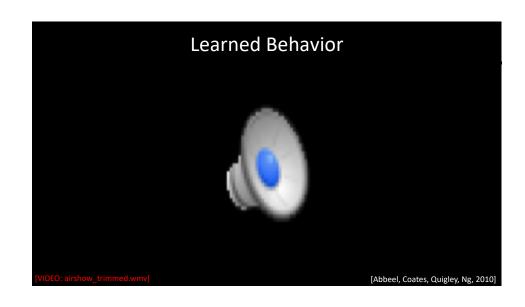
Extended Kalman filter / smoother

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Alignment of Samples



• Result: inferred sequence is much cleaner!





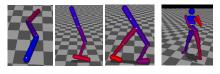
Legged Locomotion

For Perspective: Darpa Robotics Challenge (2015)



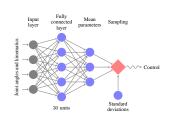
How About Continuous Control, e.g., Locomotion?

Robot models in physics simulator (MuJoCo, from Emo Todorov)

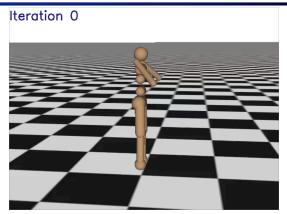


Input: joint angles and velocities Output: joint torques

Neural network architecture:



Learning Locomotion



[Schulman, Moritz, Levine, Jordan, Abbeel, 2015]

Deep RL: Virtual Stuntman



[Peng, Abbeel, Levine, van de Panne, 2018]

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Quadruped



- Low-level control problem: moving a foot into a new location
 → search with successor function ~ moving the motors
- High-level control problem: where should we place the feet?
 - Reward function R(x) = w . f(s) [25 features]

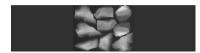
[Kolter, Abbeel & Ng, 2008]

Reward Learning + Reinforcement Learning

Demonstrate path across the "training terrain"



- Learn the reward function
- Receive "testing terrain"---height map.



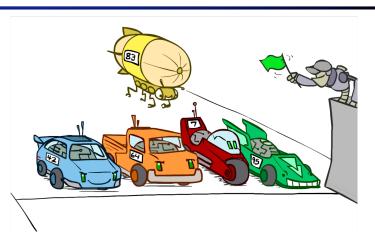
■ Find the optimal policy with respect to the *learned reward*function for crossing the testing terrain.

[Kolter, Abbeel & Ng, 2008]

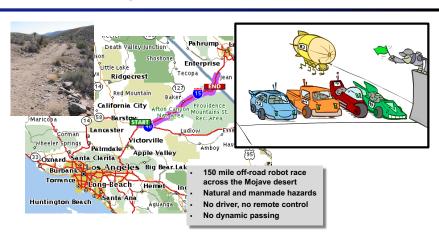




Autonomous Driving



Grand Challenge 2005: Barstow, CA, to Primm, NV



Autonomous Vehicles



Autonomous vehicle slides adapted from Sebastian Thrun

Grand Challenge 2005 Nova Video



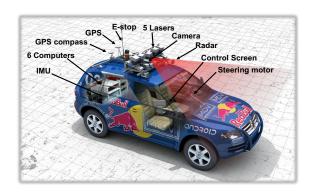
[VIDEO: nova-race-supershort.mp4]

Grand Challenge 2005 – Bad

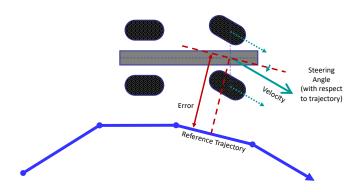


[VIDEO: grand challenge - bad.wmv]

An Autonomous Car

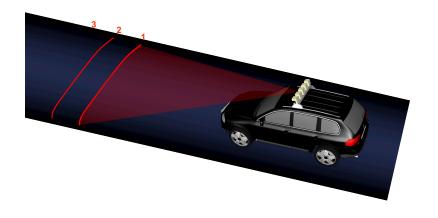


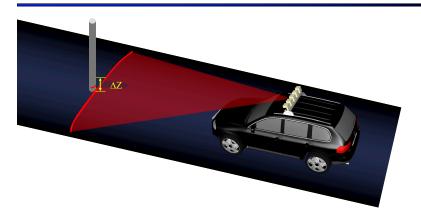
Actions: Steering Control



Laser Readings for Flat / Empty Road

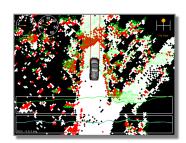
Laser Readings for Road with Obstacle





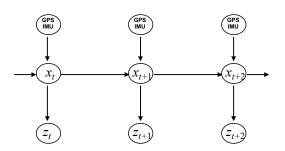
Obstacle Detection

Trigger if $|Z^i-Z^j| \ge 15$ cm for nearby z^i, z^j

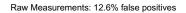


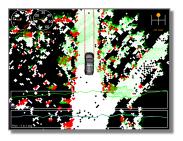
Raw Measurements: 12.6% false positives

Probabilistic Error Model



HMMs for Detection





HMM Inference: 0.02% false positives

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Sensors: Camera

Vision for a Car

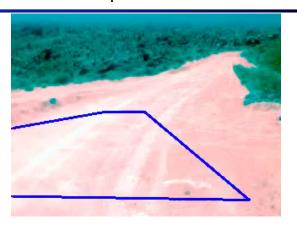


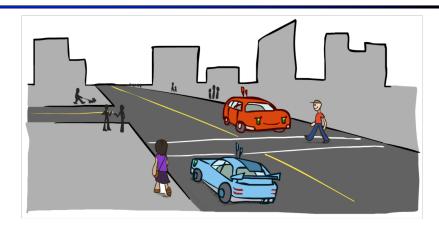
Vision for a Car



[VIDEO: lidar vision for a car]

Urban Environments



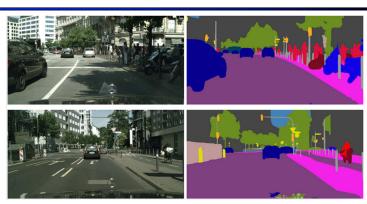


Google Self-Driving Car (2013)



(mostly lidar)

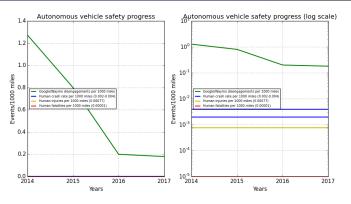
Recent Progress: NN Semantic Scene Segmentation



~ neural net classifies every pixel

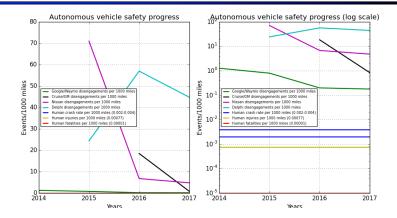
PSPNet50

Self-Driving Cars -- Stats



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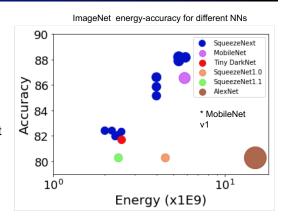
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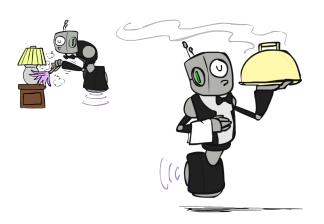
Energy-Inference-Accuracy Landscape on the Squeezelator

SqueezeNext vs SqueezeNet/AlexNet

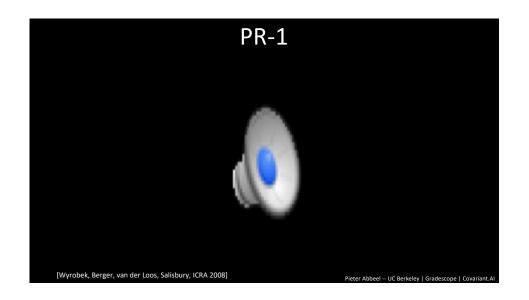
- 8% more accurate
- 2.25x better than SqueezeNet
- 7.5x better than AlexNet



Personal Robotics



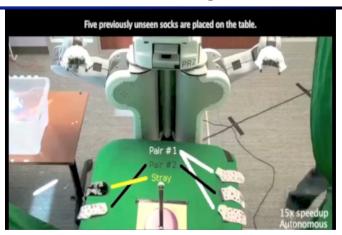
[slide credit: Kurt Keutzer]



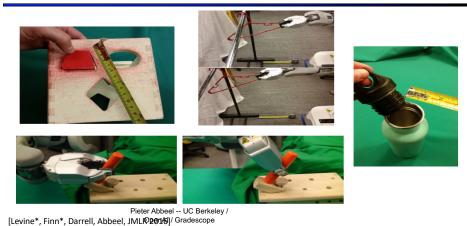
Challenge Task: Robotic Laundry



Sock Sorting



How about a range of skills?



Reinforcement Learning

Learned Skills



[Levine*, Finn*, Darrell, Abbeel, JMLR 2016]



Pieter Abbeel -- UC Berkeley / [Levine*, Finn*, Darrell, Abbeel PINNER 2016]

[Levine et al, 2016]

Next Time:

- Natural language processing
- Final contest
- Course wrap-up
- Where to go next