# Artificial Intelligence BattleGround

## Serpent Showdown

Brought to you by the *Topic team* 





## General overview (1)



#### Players

- Start with a length of 9 on opposite sides of the board facing the center
- Starting score is 1000
- Side is determined randomly upon connection

#### Board

Size is 25 (rows) x 60 (columns)



## General overview (2)



#### Border

- Starts shrinking at move 100
- Shrinks by one horizontally (on each side) every 10 moves
- Shrinks also vertically when aspect ratio 1x1 of board is reached
- Stops shrinking when board size reaches 20x20
- If part of the body gets cut off by the border, the rest of the body turns to apples

Items spawn on mirrored positions on both sides of the board

- Apples spawn every 5 moves
- Other items have a 10% chance of spawning on any move



### Win conditions

Make the other agent collide (with himself/you/wall/border)

Make the other player score a reach of 0

Game ends after 900 moves

- Winner is the agent with a higher score
- If scores are equal, winner is determined by length

## Rewards & Penalties

Rewards & Penalties	Score
Moving towards the center	+ 20
Moving away from the center	+ 10
Playing invalid move	- 50
Move timeout exceeded	- 50
Playing reverse direction move	- 30
Body segment lost	- 30

#### Items

10% chance of spawning on any move (except apple)

Affect "Random" will be changed to self/enemy/both upon spawning

Sprite	Name	Туре	Duration (moves)	Pick up reward	Affect	Spawn weight
	Apple	apple	1	50	Self	Every 5 moves
	Golden apple	golden-apple	5	70	Self	9
	Katana	katana	10	60	Self	7
	Armour	armour	15	60	Self	7
	Shorten	shorten-XX	1	30	Random	4
Ŏ	Tron	tron	15	50	Random	3
	Freeze	freeze	8	30	Enemy	4
	Leap	leap	5	80	Random	5
د.?.٥	Nausea	nausea	1	90	Enemy	7
	Reset borders	reset-borders	1	30	Мар	1

#### Your task

During the next 20 hours, create an AI agent that will go head-to-head against other agents in a 1v1 in our custom-made game

Agent can be coded in ANY programming language

As long as you are able to connect the server via web sockets (topic manual)

You may use any tools (including LLM-s) at your disposal

You may NOT receive any outside help

Battles will be held in a tournament format

3 rounds per matchup

#### Sidenotes

Tomorrow morning, we will come to you to test connecting to the cloud server

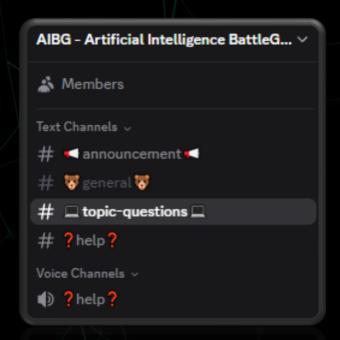
For technical details, consolidate the *Topic manual* 

#### Communication via Discord

Change your username to "First name | Team name"

At least one member of the team must always be present

Otherwise, you will be disqualified





## Questions?



