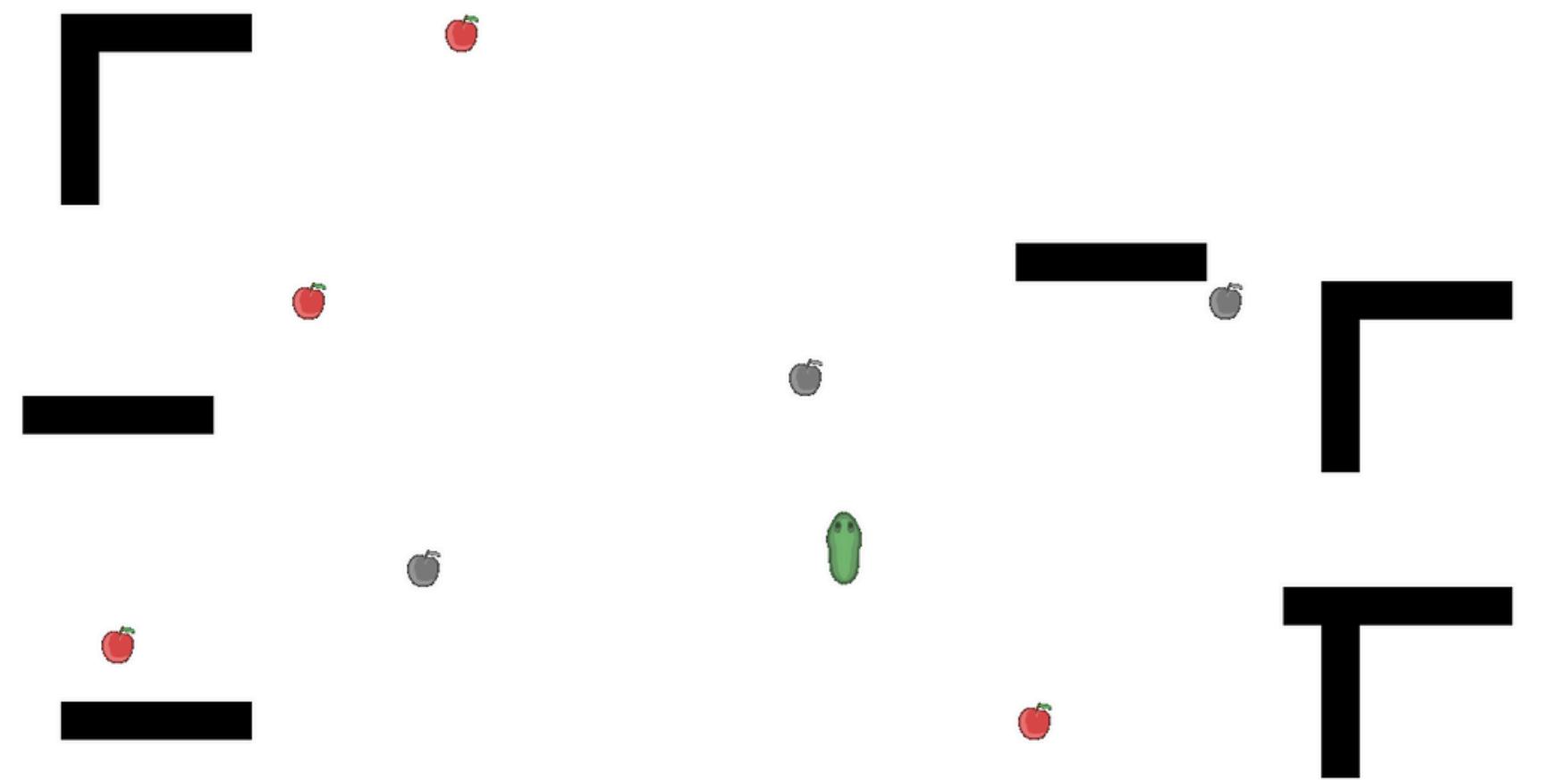




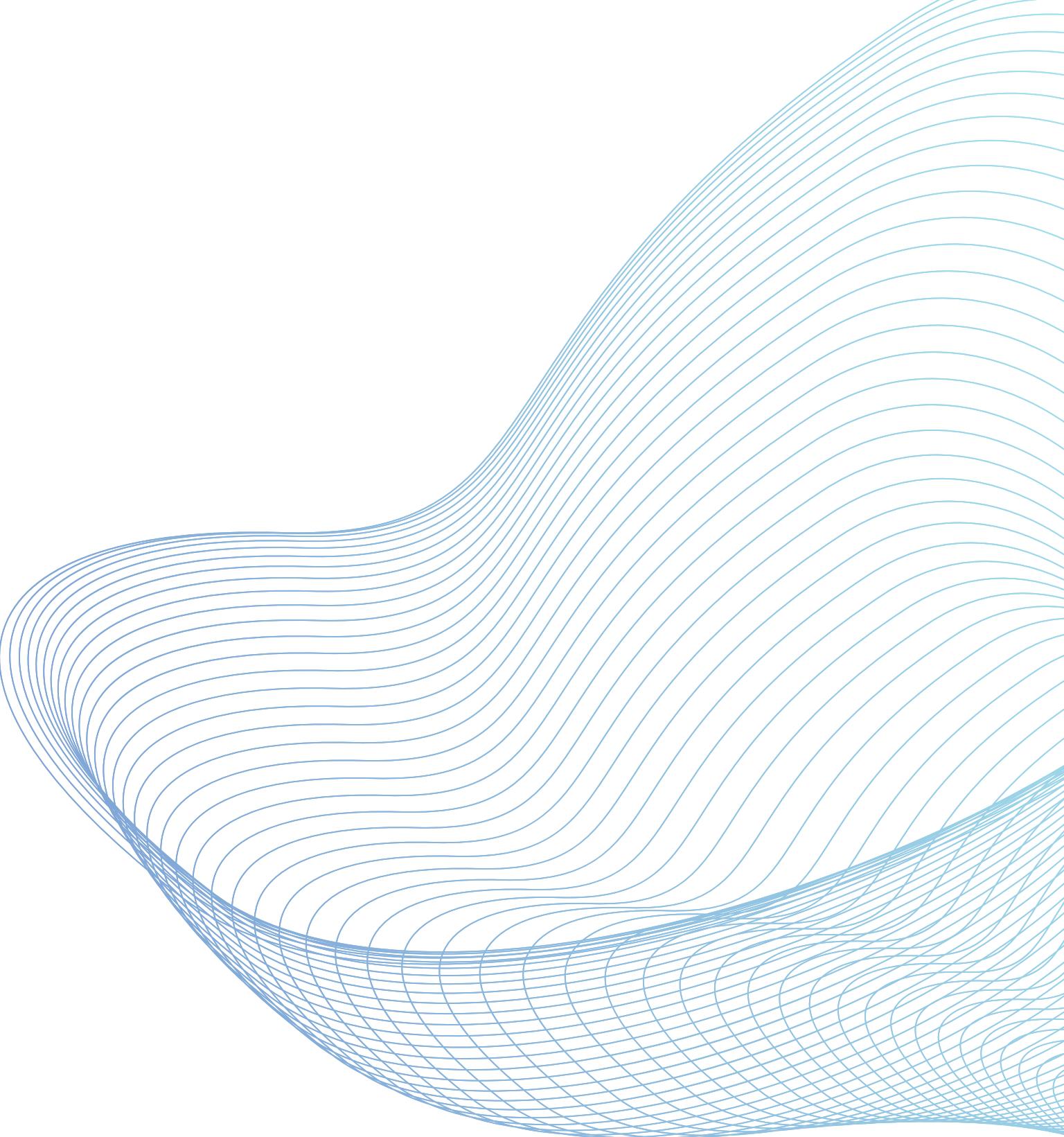
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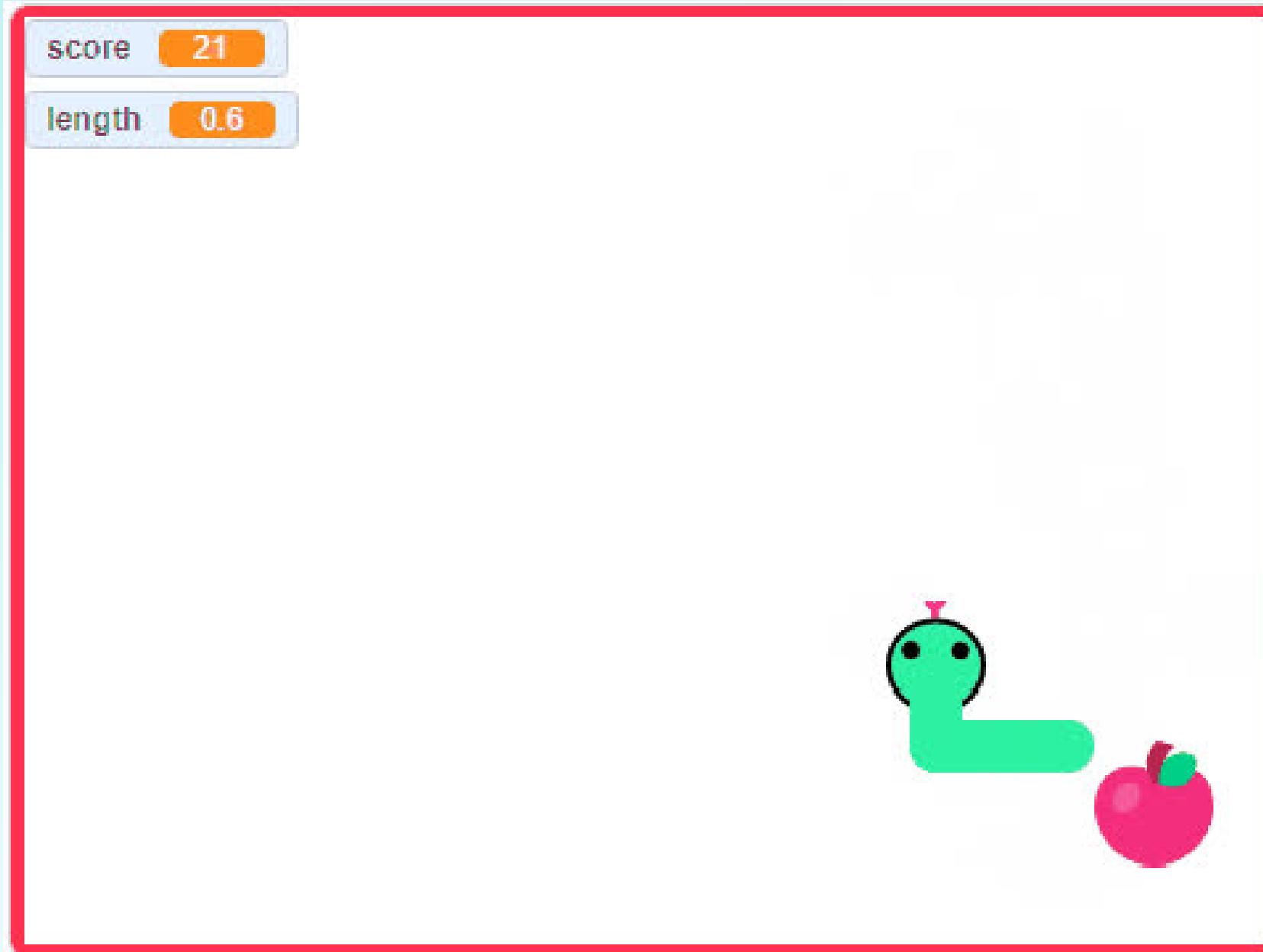
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# INTRODUCTION

**Objective:**



**Tools:**



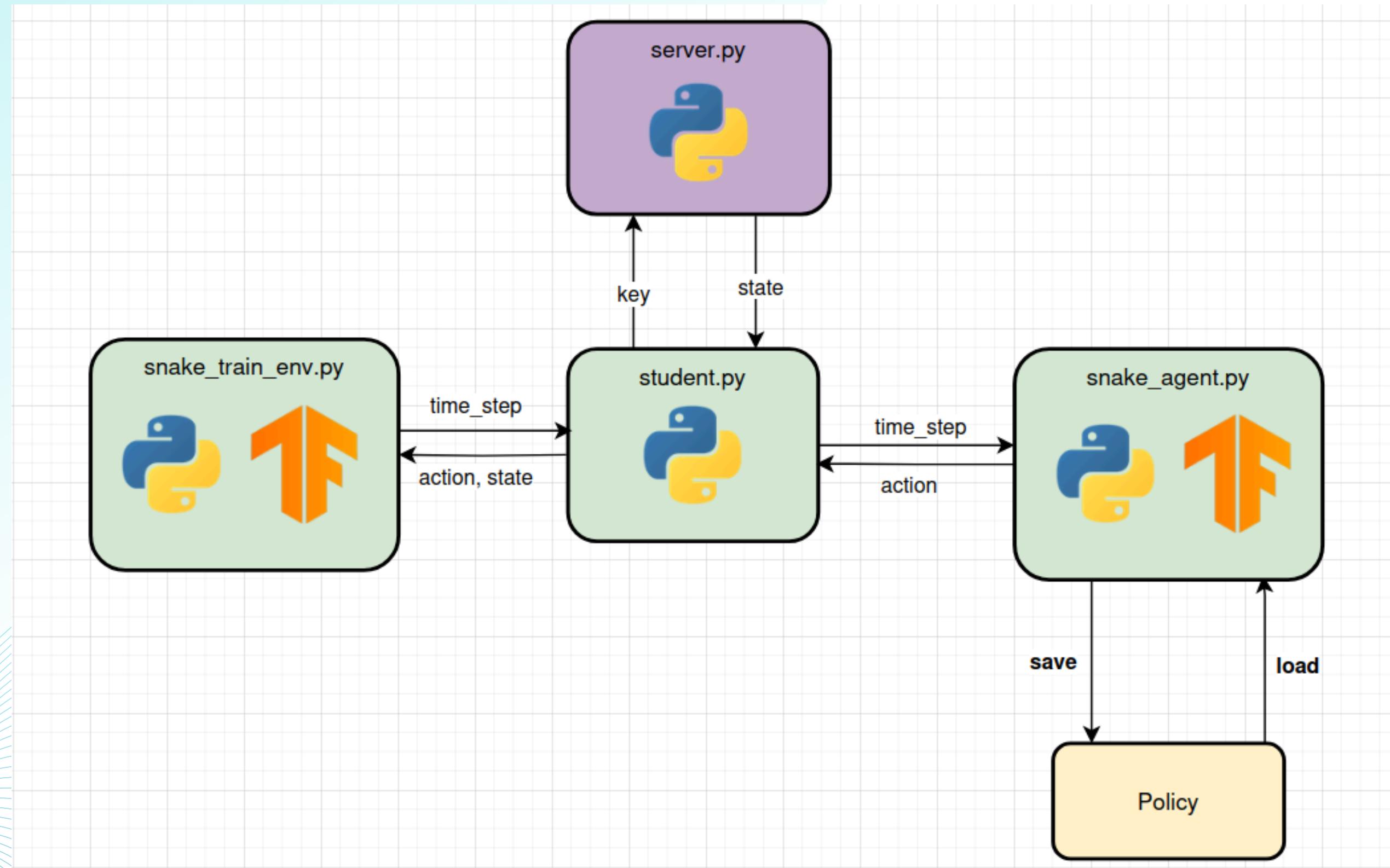
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# OVERVIEW

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- **Environment**
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  - Reward function;
  - Step handling.
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# ARQUITECTURE



# ENVIRONMENT

## State representation

Map:

- 0. Empty
- 1. Wall
- 2. Food
- 3. S\_Food
- 4. Body

	Col1	Col2	Col3	Col4	....
Row1	Arr[0][0]	Arr[0][1]	Arr[0][2]	Arr[0][3]	
Row2	Arr[1][0]	Arr[1][1]	Arr[1][2]	Arr[1][3]	
Row3	Arr[2][0]	Arr[2][1]	Arr[2][2]	Arr[2][3]	
Row4	Arr[3][0]	Arr[3][1]	Arr[3][2]	Arr[3][3]	
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```

# ENVIRONMENT

## Reward function

```
def calculate_reward(self):
    """Cálculo de reward."""
    reward = 0.0

    # 1. Penalidade fim de jogo
    game_over_penalty = self._check_game_over_penalty()
    if game_over_penalty != 0:
        return game_over_penalty

    # 2. Reward por comer comida
    food_reward = self._calculate_food_reward()
    reward += food_reward

    # 3. Reward/penalty baseado na distância
    distance_reward = self._calculate_distance_reward()
    reward += distance_reward

    # 4. Penalty por movimentos perigosos
    danger_penalty = self._calculate_immediate_danger_penalty()
    reward += danger_penalty

    # 5. Reward de sobrevivência
    survival_reward = 0.2 # Mais incentivo para ficar vivo
    reward += survival_reward

    # 6. Penalty de eficiência
    efficiency_penalty = self._calculate_efficiency_penalty()
    reward += efficiency_penalty

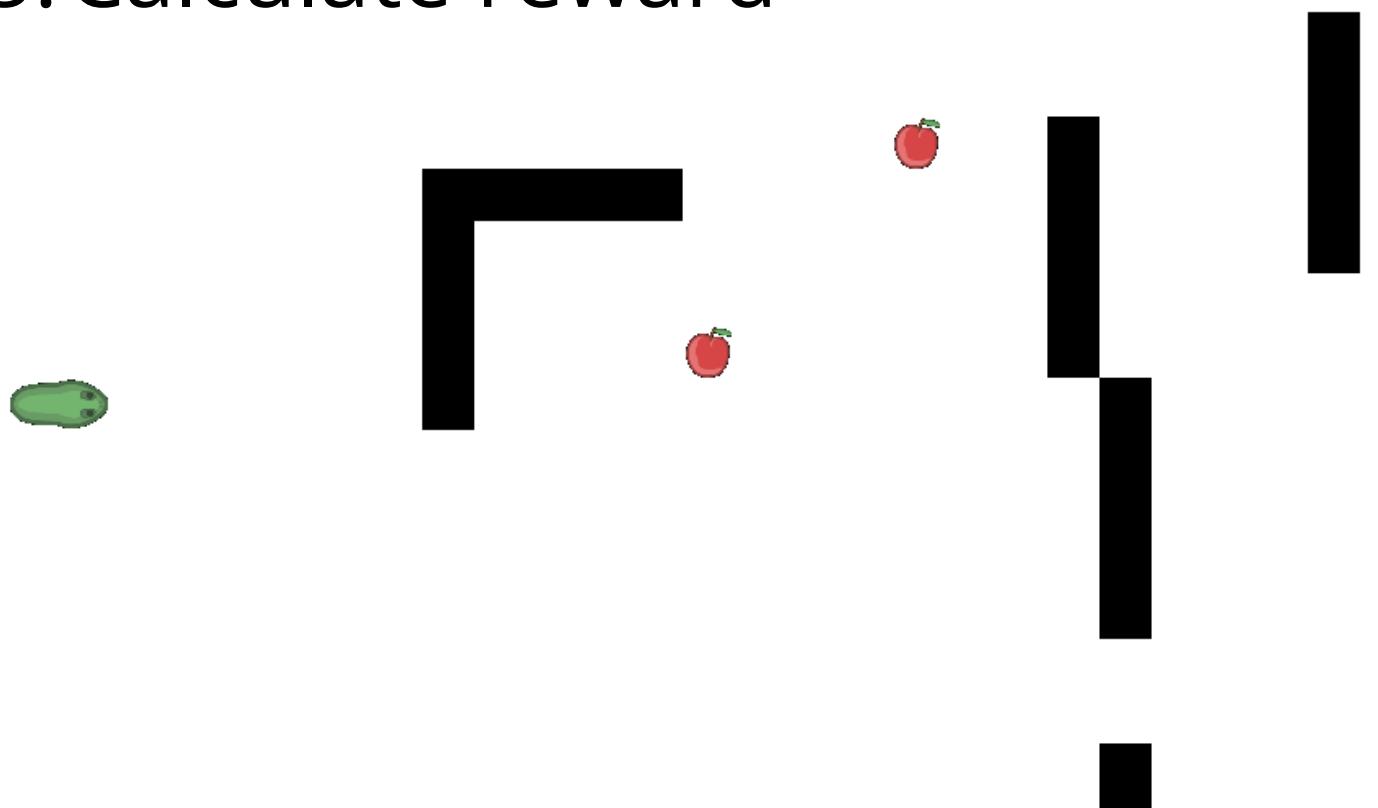
    # Normalizar reward
    reward = max(-100, min(reward, 100))
    return float(reward)
```



# ENVIRONMENT

## Step handling

1. Gameover verification
2. Update scalar observations
3. Update *map* according to sight
4. Update snake position
5. Calculate reward



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call\_step()  
→

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# AGENT

## Type

### Learning Strategy

- Epsilon-Greedy
- Replay Buffer
- Q Network

```
class DQNAgent(SnakeBaseAgent):
    """Deep Q-Network agent for Snake game with dynamic observation handling."""

    def __init__(self, env, learning_rate=0.0005, epsilon=0.95, epsilon_decay=0.9995,
                 epsilon_min=0.05, memory_size=50000, batch_size=64, target_update_freq=500):
        """Initialize the DQN agent with improved hyperparameters."""
        super().__init__(env)

        # Initialize all required attributes
        self.learning_rate = learning_rate
        self.epsilon = epsilon
        self.epsilon_decay = epsilon_decay
        self.epsilon_min = epsilon_min
        self.memory_size = memory_size
        self.batch_size = batch_size
        self.target_update_freq = target_update_freq

        # Experience replay buffer
        self.memory = deque(maxlen=memory_size)

        # Networks - will be initialized on first state
        self.q_network = None
        self.target_network = None
        self.optimizer = None

        # Current network input shape (will be set dynamically)
        self.current_map_shape = None

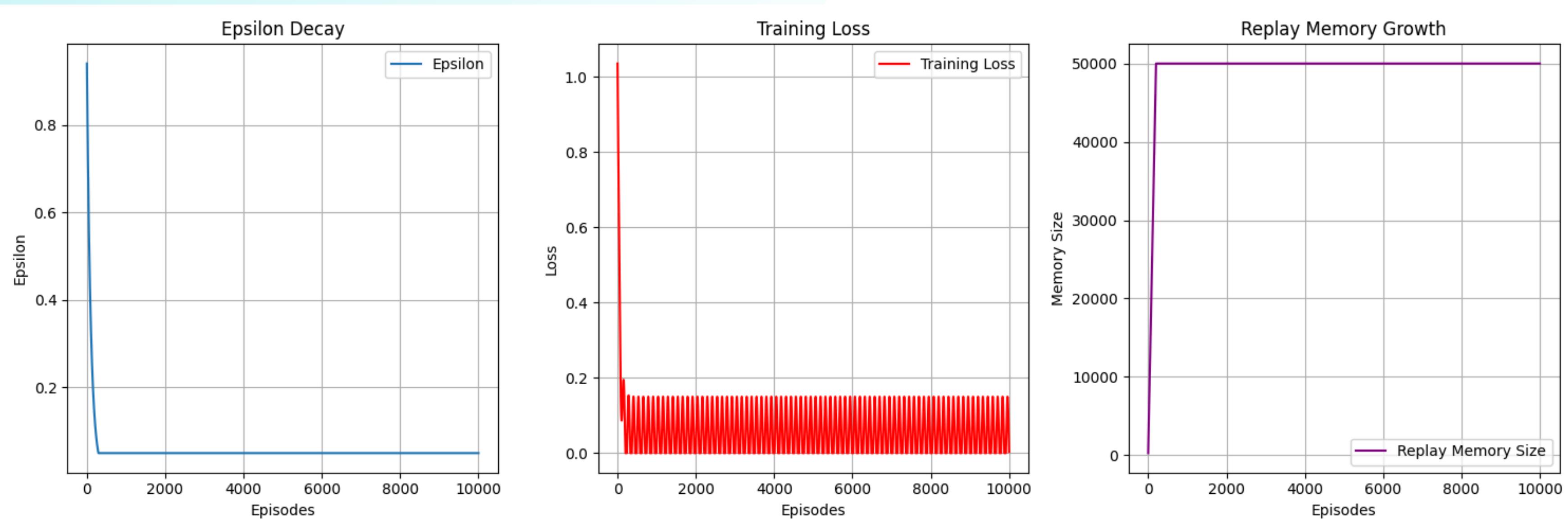
        # Training variables
        self.warmup_steps = 1000 # Steps before training starts
        self.step_count = 0 # Initialize step counter

        # Initialize tracking attributes that might be expected by base class
        self.episode_count = 0
        self.scores = []
        self.training_losses = []

        # Set action size - assuming 4 actions for snake (up, down, left, right)
        self.action_size = 4
```

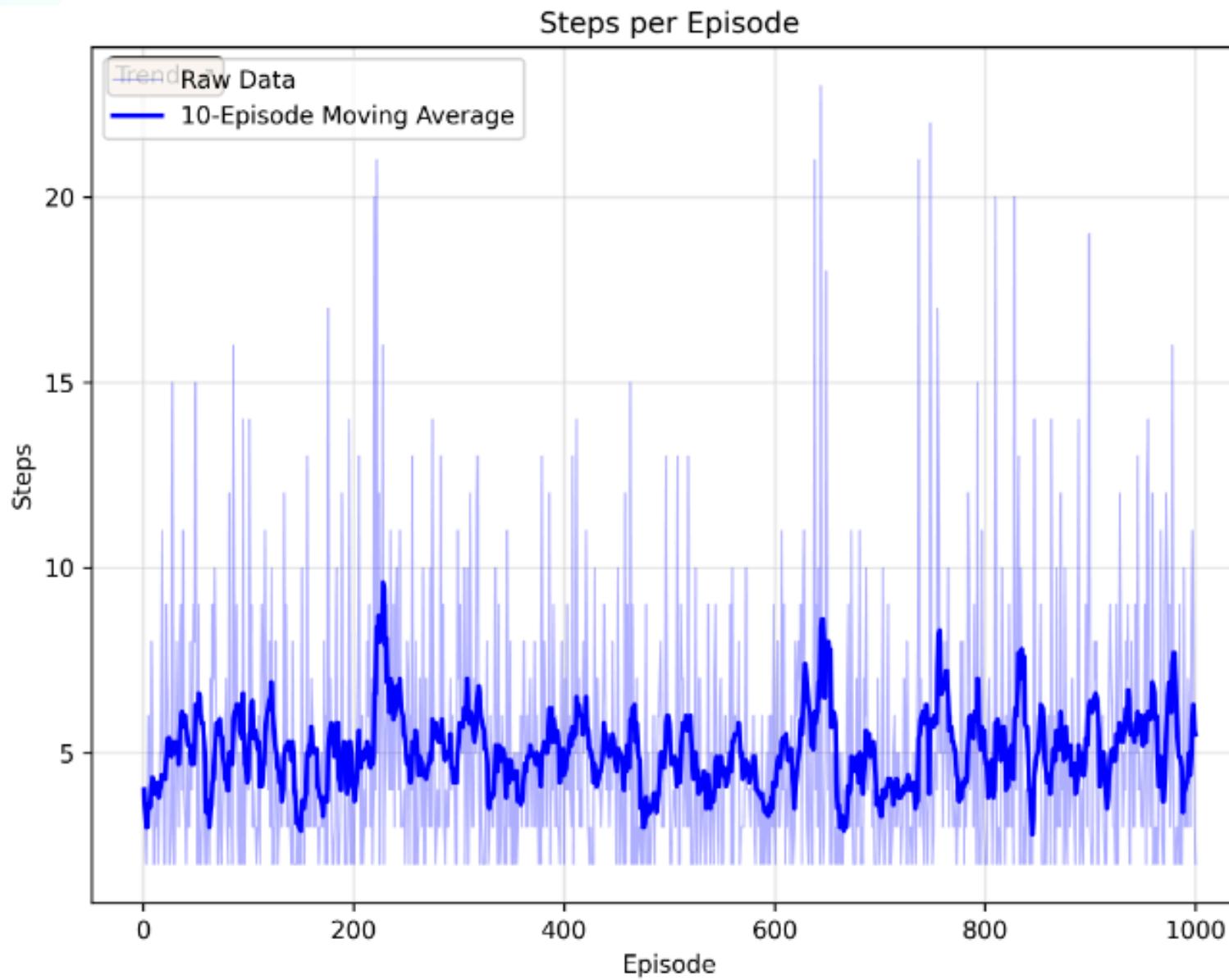
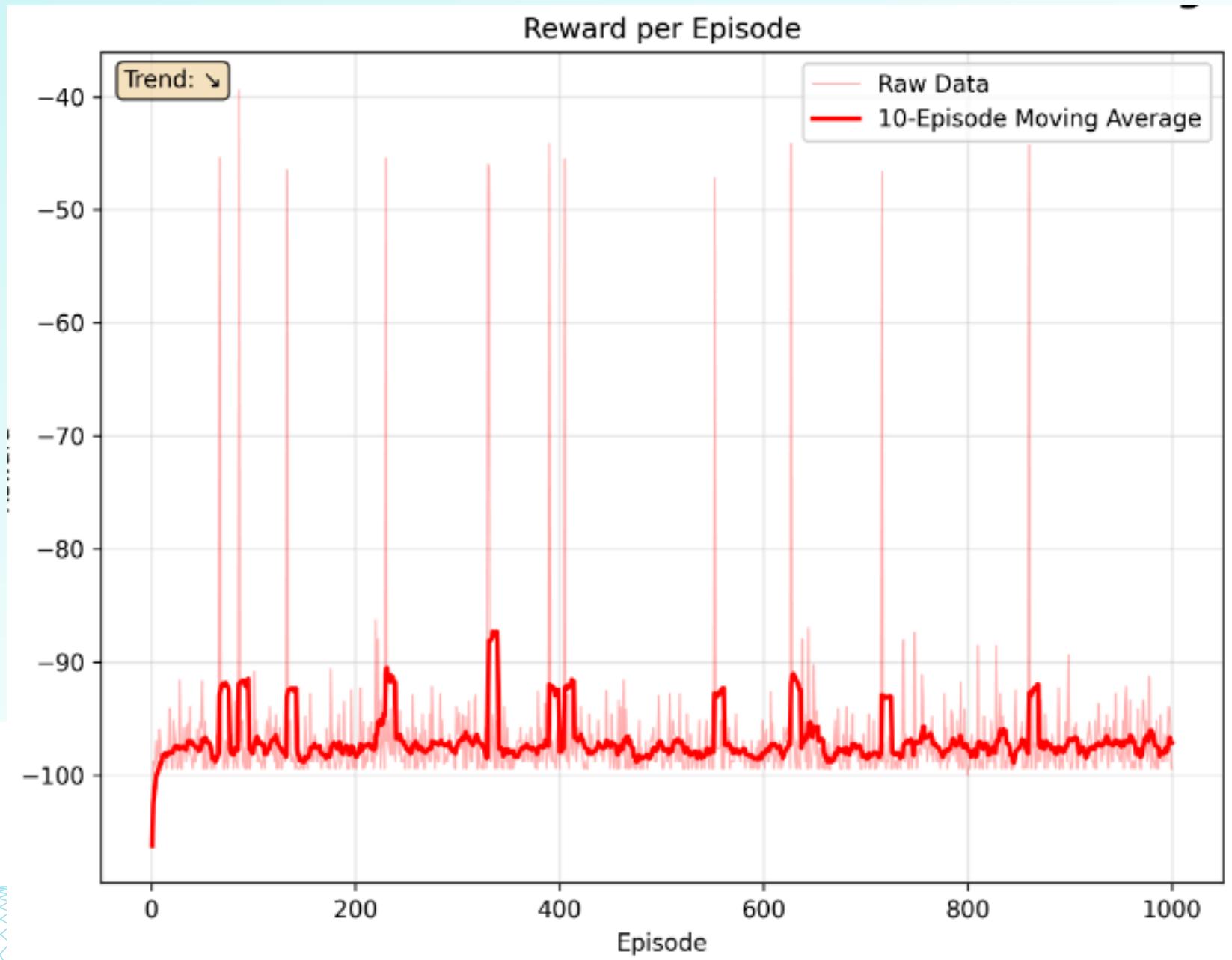
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## Performance and results



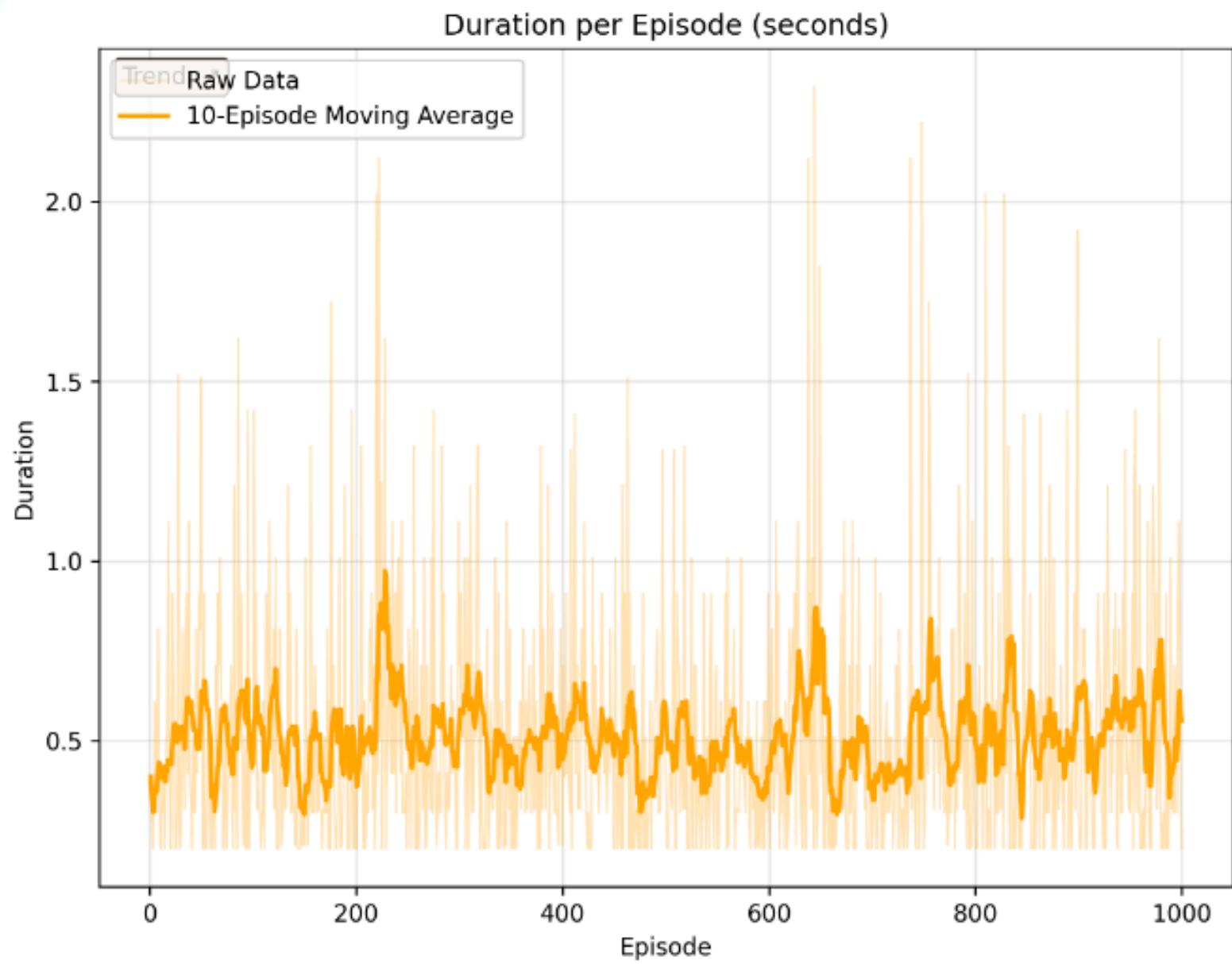
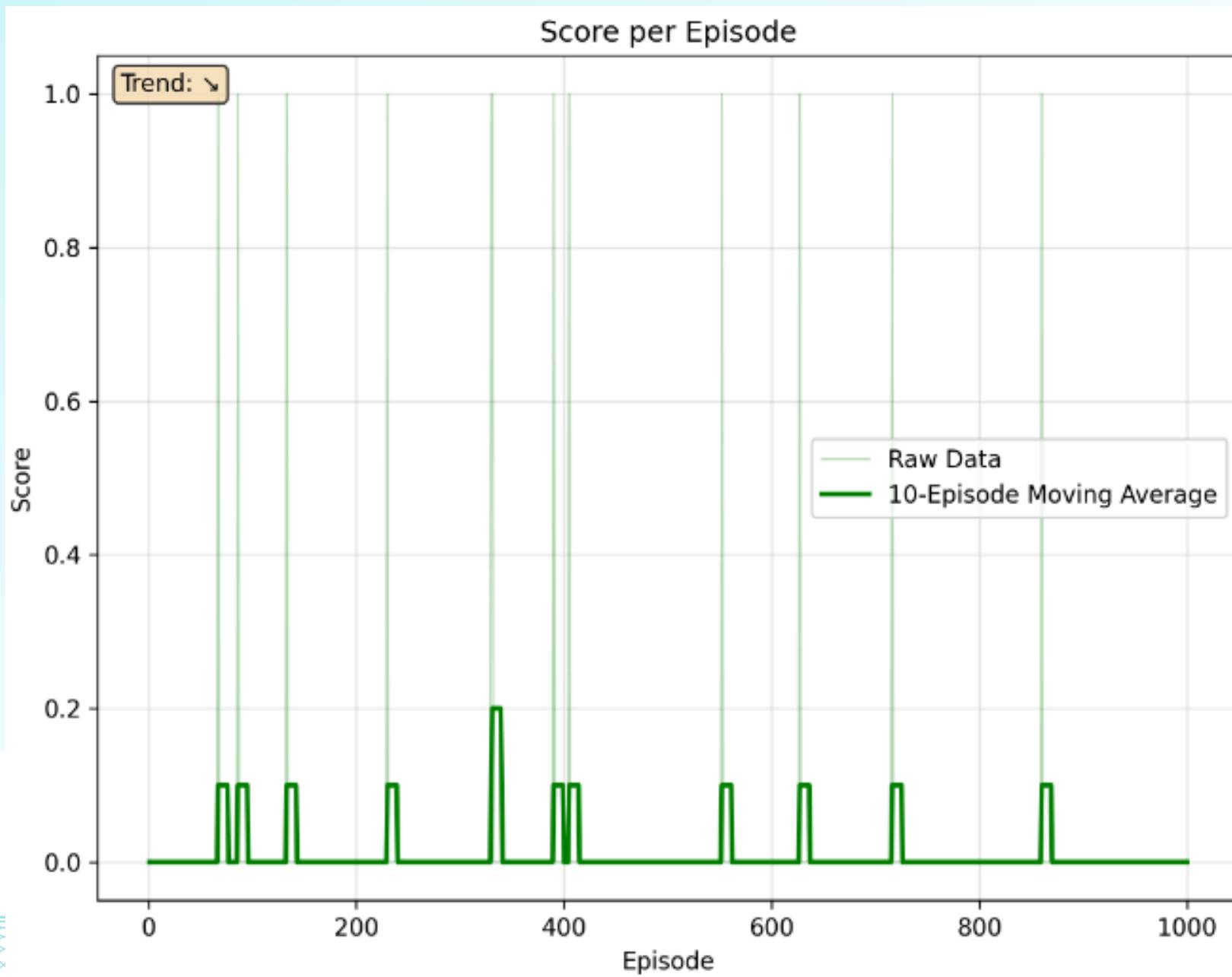
# ANALYSIS

## Learning progression



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## Learning progression



# IMPLEMENTATION

## Challenges

Student/Server synchronization:



asyncio

```
class SnakeGame:  
    """Class to manage the Snake game state and communication."""  
  
    def __init__(self, logger=None):  
        self.first_state = None  
        self.message_queue = asyncio.Queue()  
        self.listener_task = None  
        self.first_state_received = asyncio.Event()  
        self.logger = logger or logging.getLogger('SnakeGame')
```

Logging:

```
- SnakeGame - INFO - Logging initialized. Log file: logs/snake_training_20250528_120323.log  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Starting training mode...  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Server: localhost:8000, Agent: daniel, Episode limit: 100  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Pre-trained policy will be loaded: policy/dqn_agent_final_200  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Environment initialized  
- SnakeGame - INFO - DQN Agent initialized  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Pre-trained policy loaded from policy/dqn_agent_final_200  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Starting from episode 200, new limit: 300  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Starting Episode 201  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 201 started successfully  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Step 200, Training Loss: 0.0294  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Step 400, Training Loss: 0.0240  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 201 - Game Over! Final score: 1  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 201 completed - Reward: -25.35, Steps: 453, Score: 1, Duration: 45.93s  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Starting Episode 202  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 202 started successfully  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 202 - Game Over! Final score: 1  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 202 completed - Reward: -5.60, Steps: 132, Score: 1, Duration: 13.46s  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Starting Episode 203  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 203 started successfully  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Step 600, Training Loss: 0.0117  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Step 800, Training Loss: 0.0400  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 203 - Game Over! Final score: 2  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 203 completed - Reward: -3.20, Steps: 218, Score: 2, Duration: 22.04s  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Starting Episode 204  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 204 started successfully  
- SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 204 - Game Over! Final score: 0
```

# IMPLEMENTATION

## Challenges

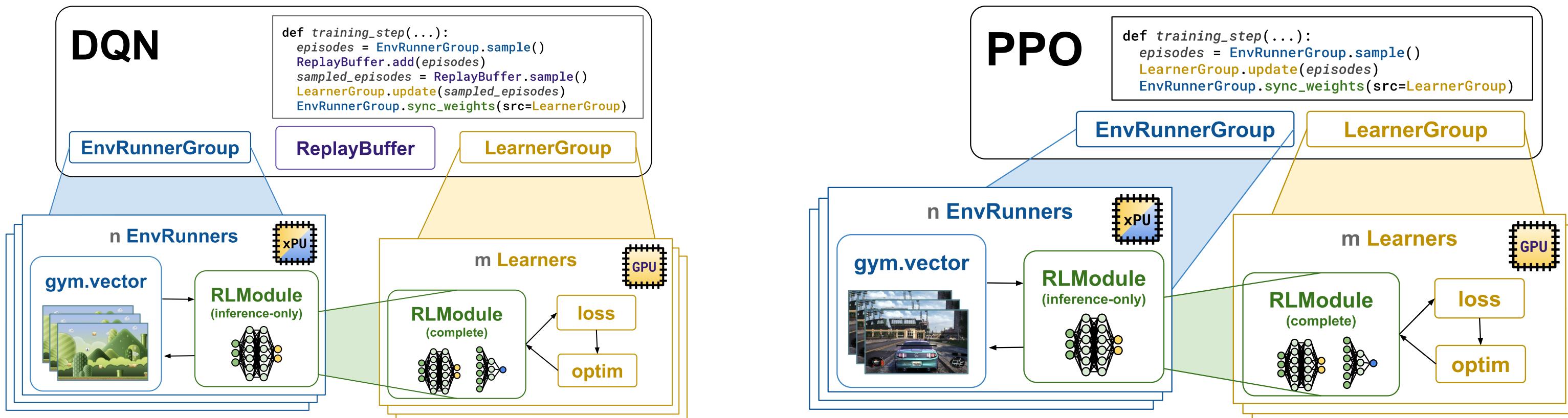
Episode duration:

```
7 - SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 1986 started successfully
5 - SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 1986 - Game Over! Final score: 0
5 - SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 1986 completed - Reward: -47.35, Steps: 549, Score: 0, Duration: 55.43s
6 - SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 1987 started successfully
4 - SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 1987 - Game Over! Final score: 0
5 - SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 1987 completed - Reward: -9.50, Steps: 39, Score: 0, Duration: 3.94s
2 - SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 1988 started successfully
9 - SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 1988 - Game Over! Final score: 3
9 - SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 1988 completed - Reward: -10.10, Steps: 658, Score: 3, Duration: 66.41s
2 - SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 1989 started successfully
3 - SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 1989 - Game Over! Final score: 0
3 - SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 1989 completed - Reward: -11.25, Steps: 22, Score: 0, Duration: 2.22s
3 - SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 1990 started successfully
4 - SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 1990 - Game Over! Final score: 0
4 - SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 1990 completed - Reward: -10.75, Steps: 31, Score: 0, Duration: 3.13s
3 - SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 1991 started successfully
7 - SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 1991 - Game Over! Final score: 0
7 - SnakeGame - INFO - Episode 1991 completed - Reward: -21.60, Steps: 256, Score: 0, Duration: 25.87s
```

# IMPLEMENTATION

## Optimization Attempts

- Reformulated observation\_spec;
- Improve reward function;
- Tested agent using PPO.



# IMPLEMENTATION

## Future work

Implement parallelized training



Try other types of agent algorithms

	DQN	DDPG	C51	TD3	PPO	REINFORCE
Discrete	✓		✓		✓	✓
Continuous		✓		✓	✓	

# **THANKS FOR LISTENING**

Do you have any question?

