

Performance Evaluation:

Car behaviour optimization

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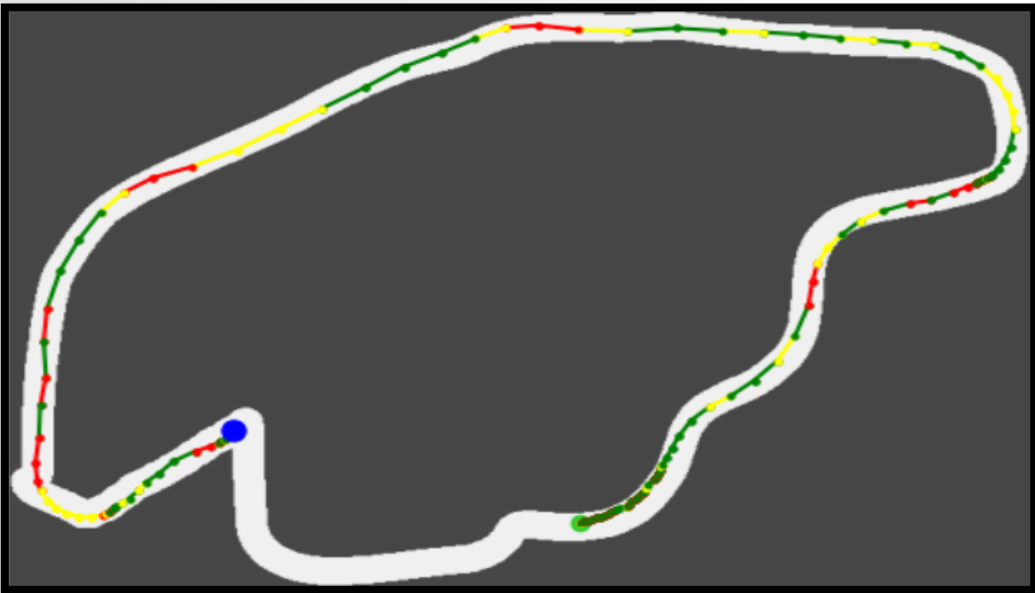
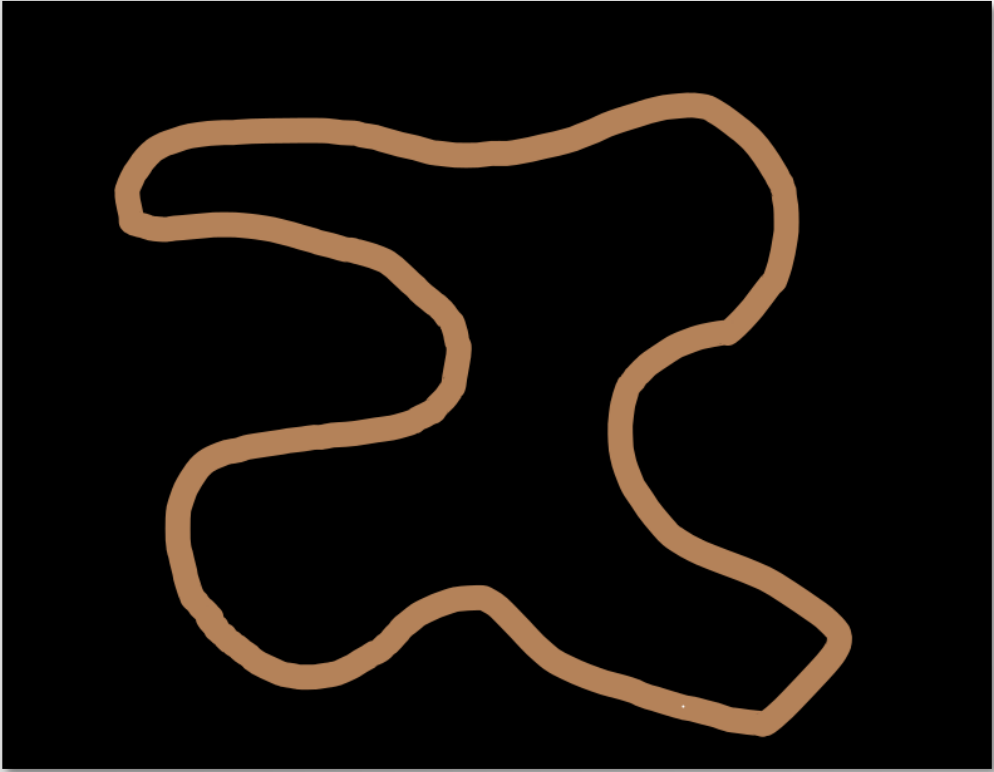


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1) Racing Car Environment

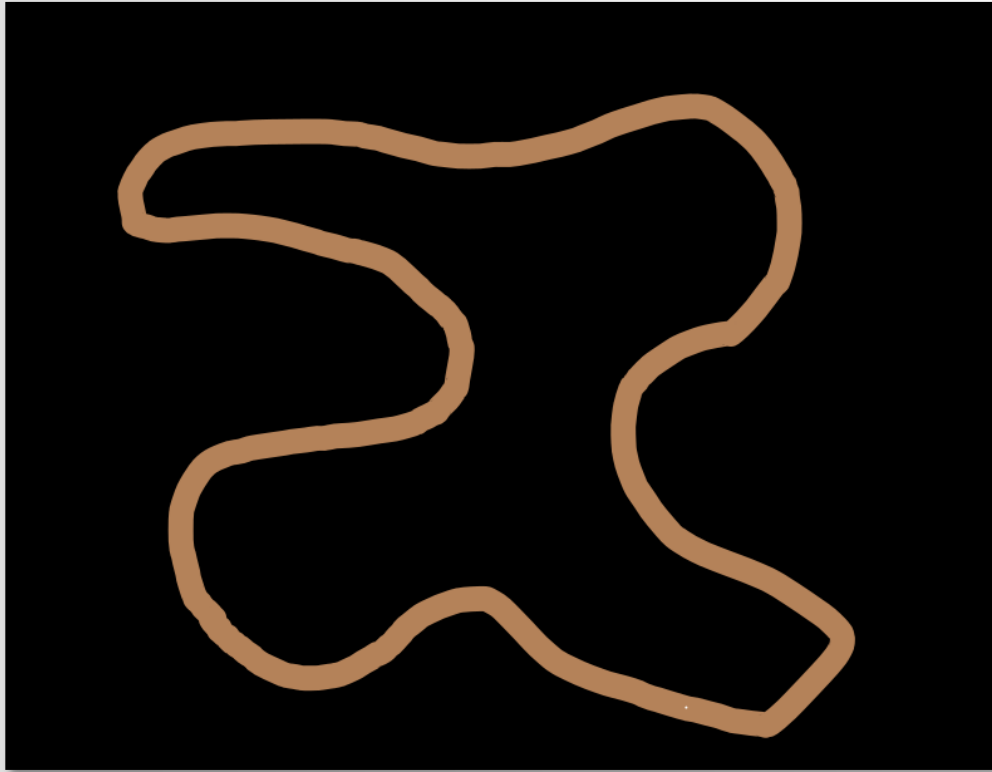
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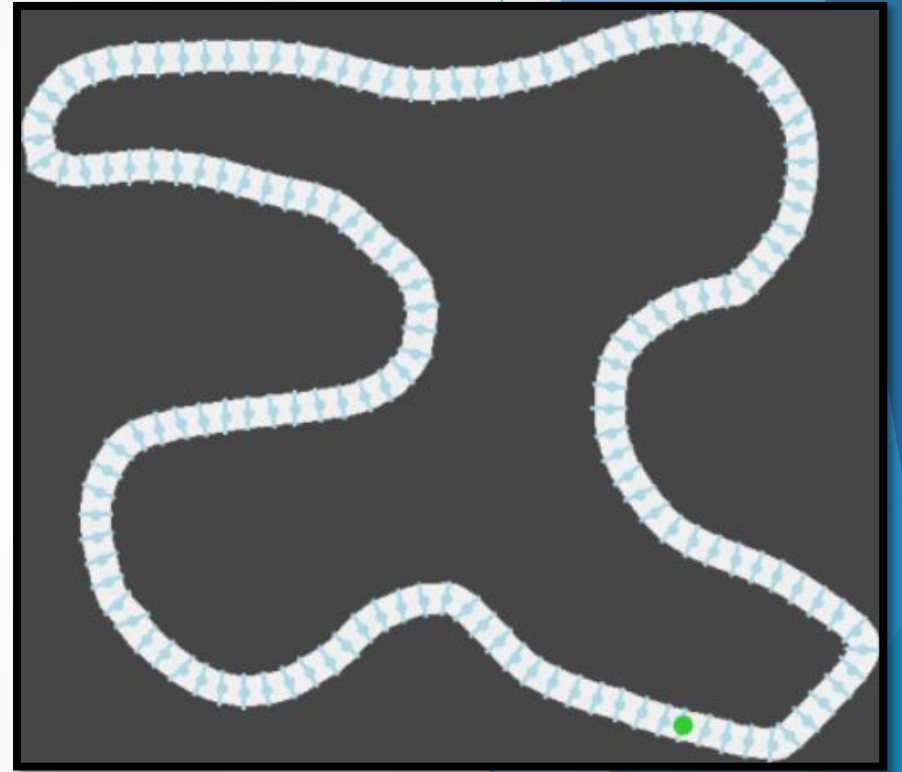
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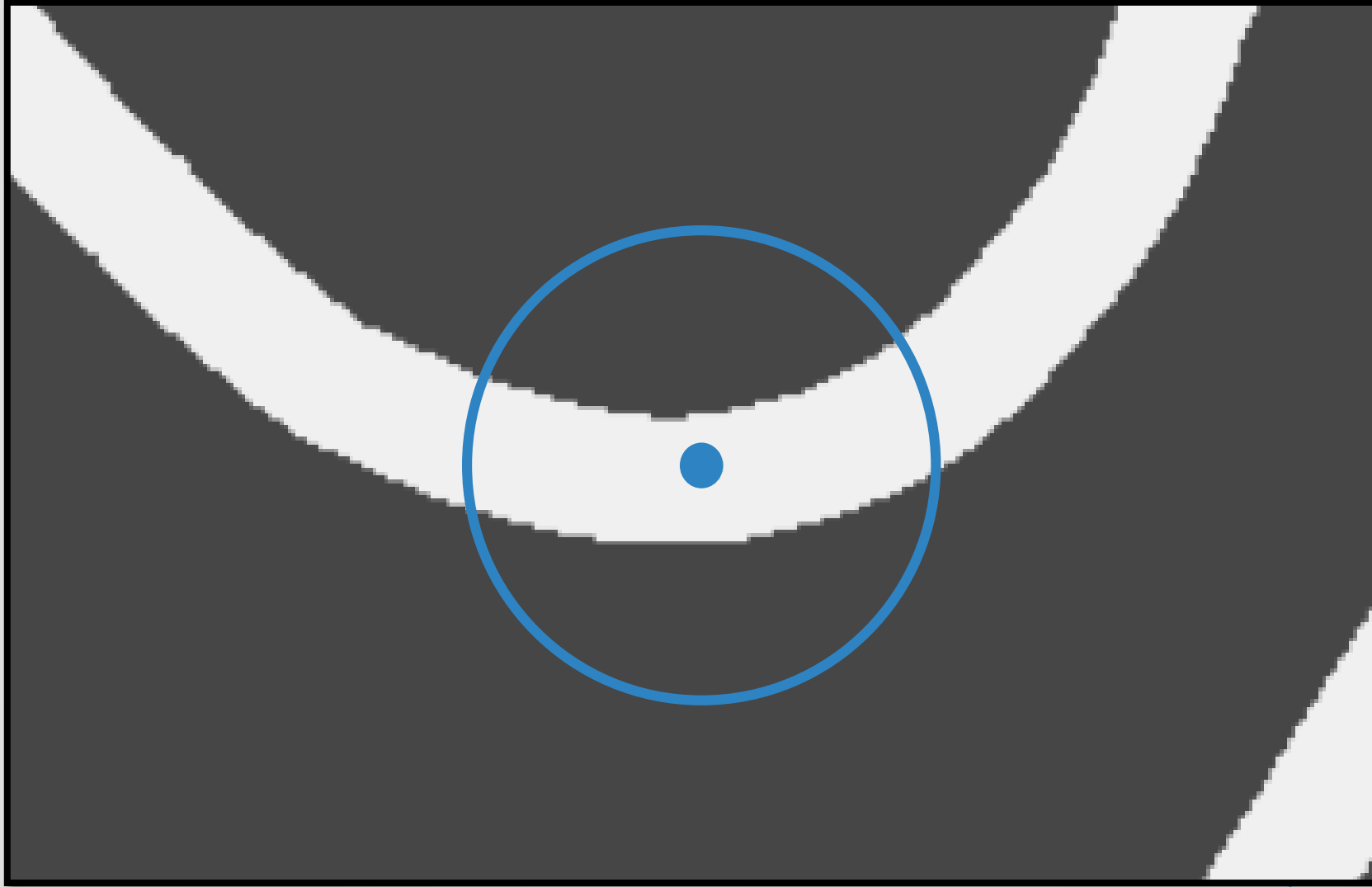
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Track_06_computed

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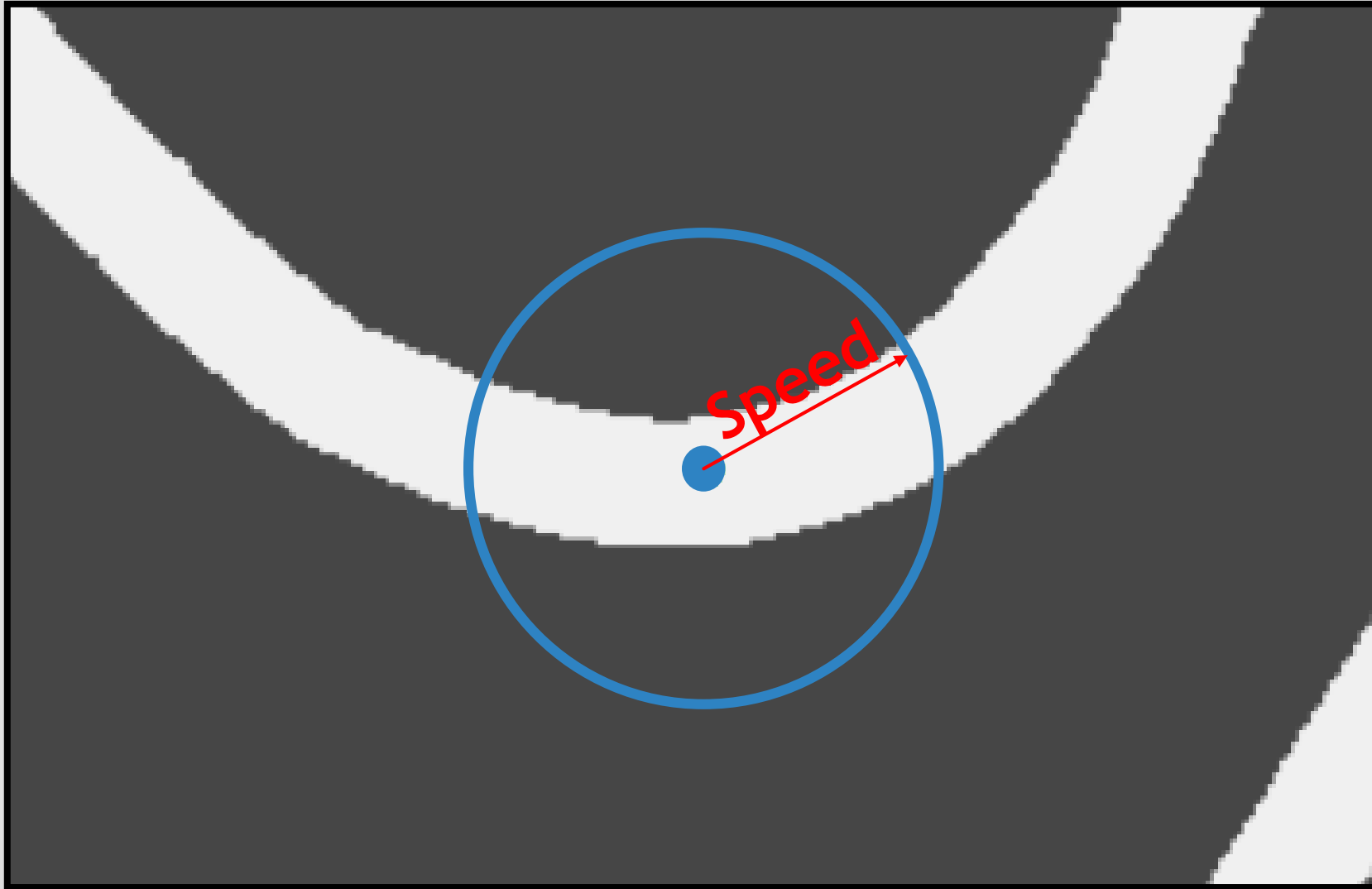
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Attributes:

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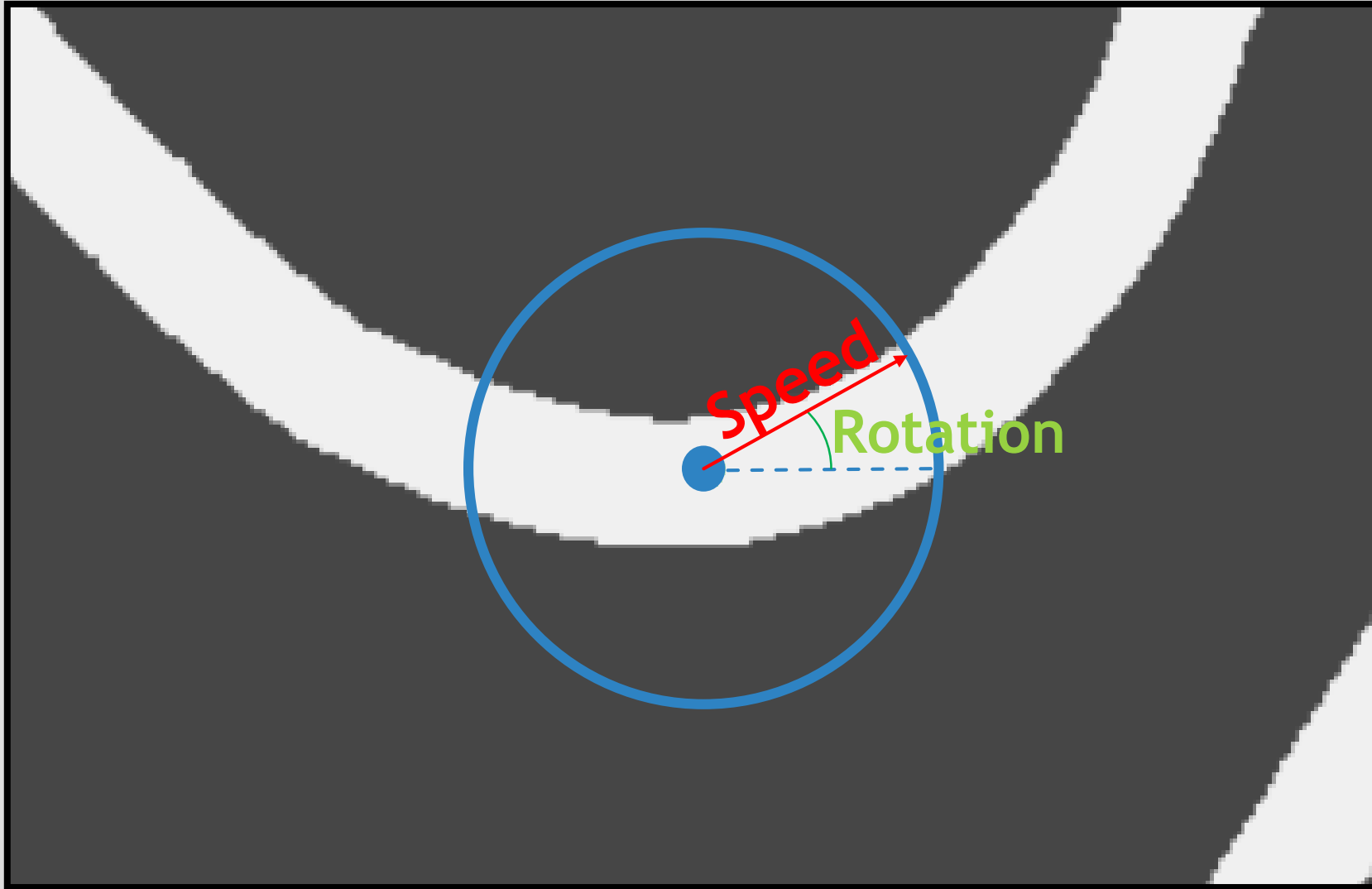


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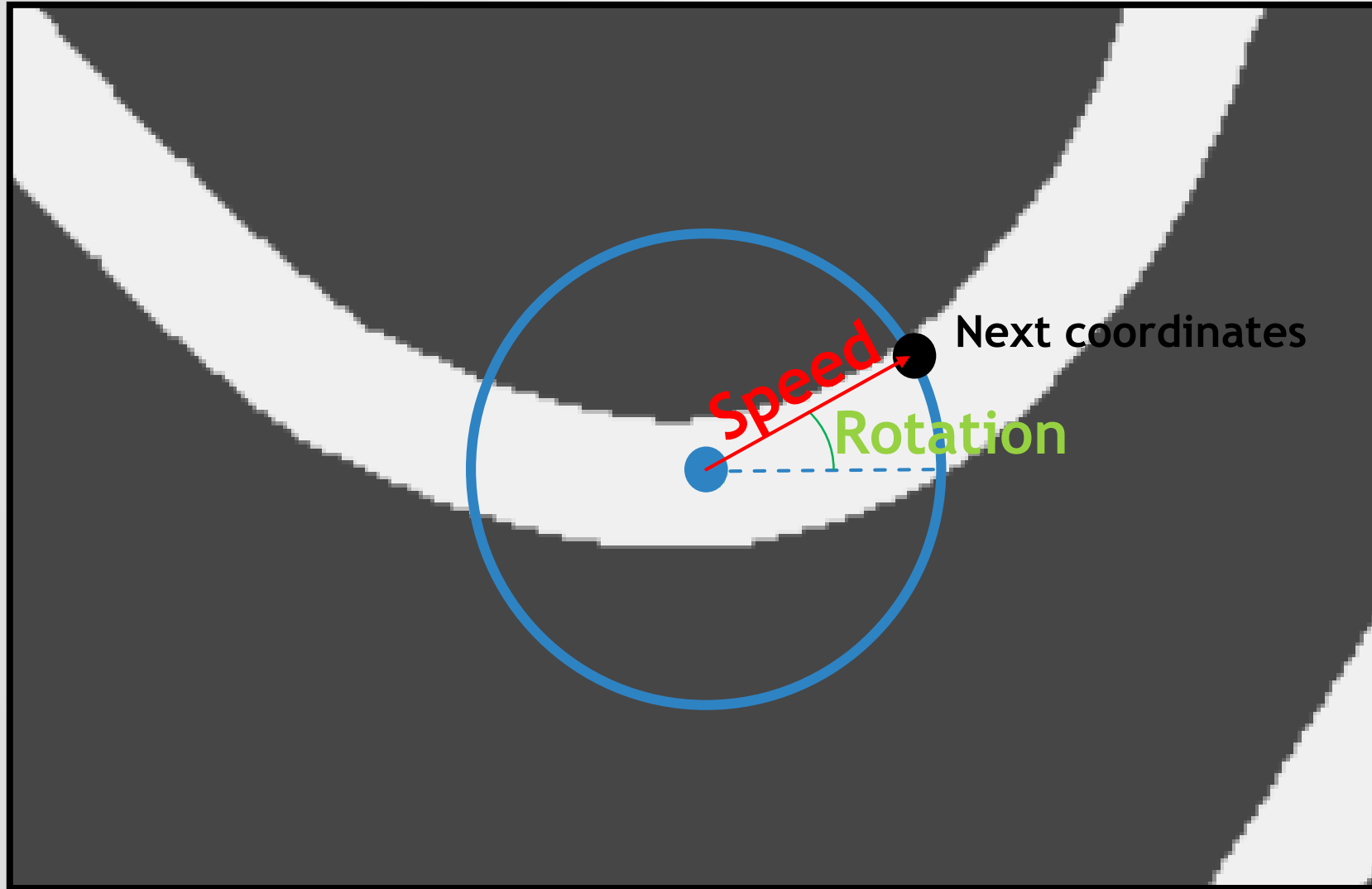


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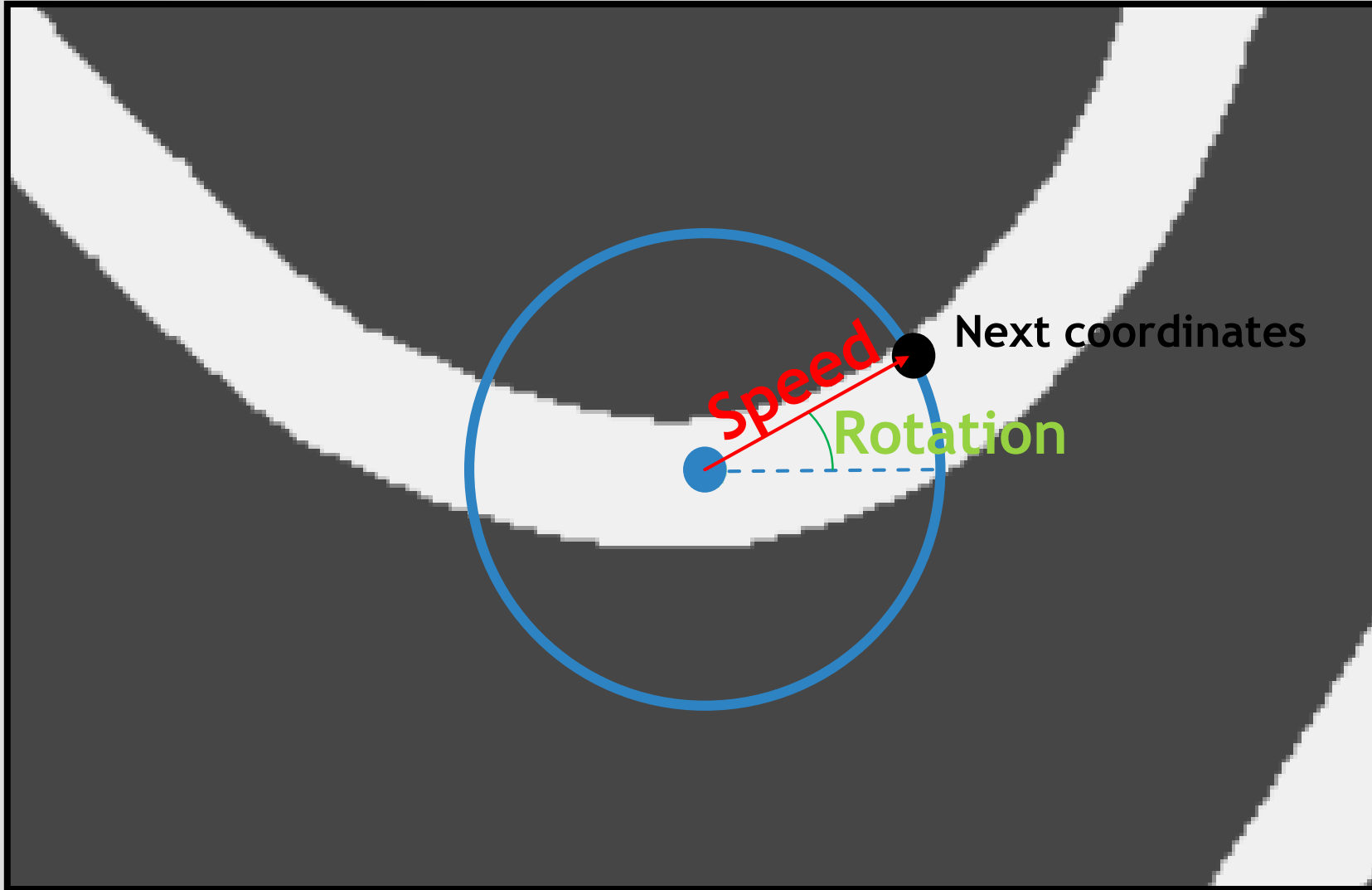


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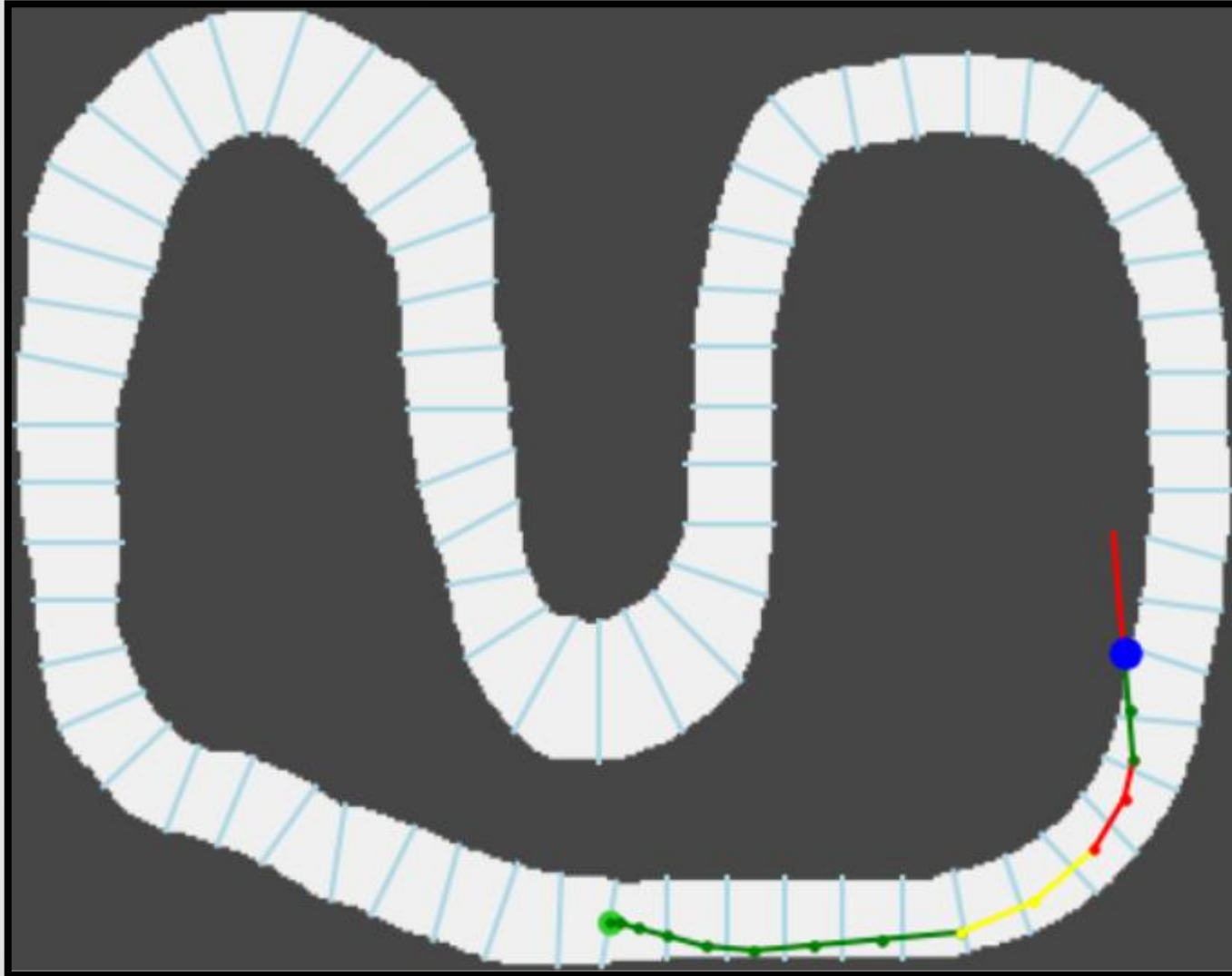
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Actions:

- Accelerate
- Brake
- Turn

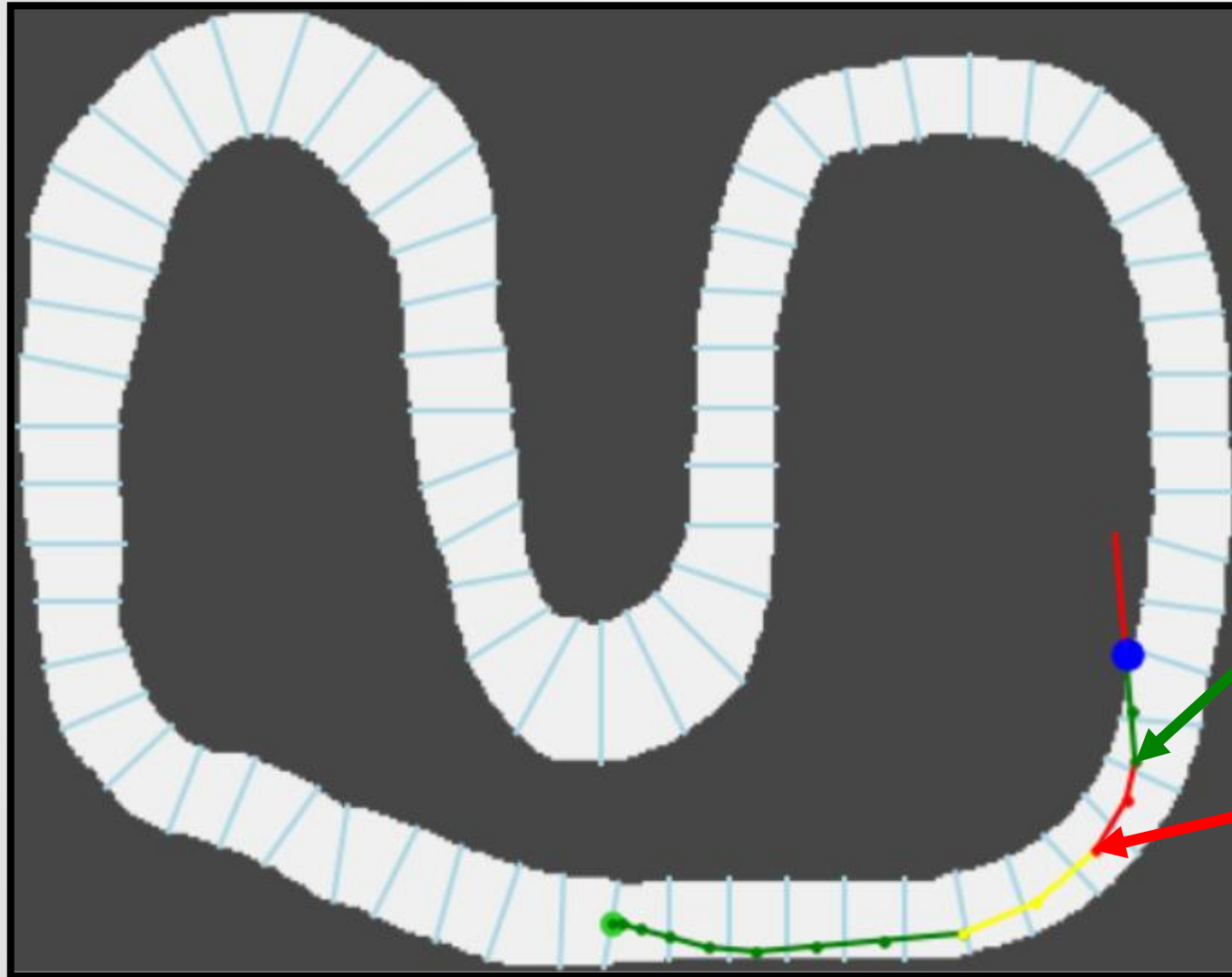
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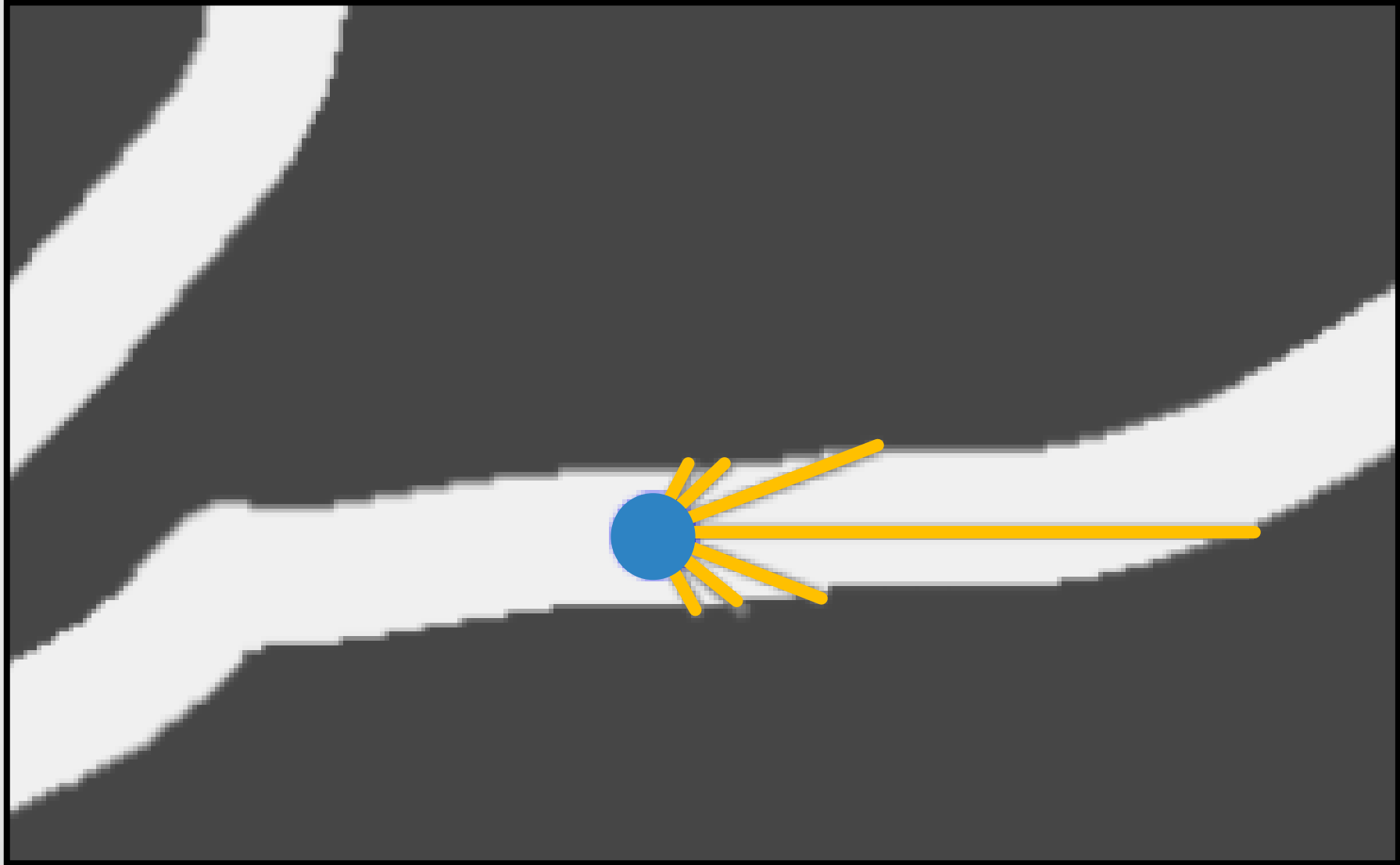


Acceleration

Brake

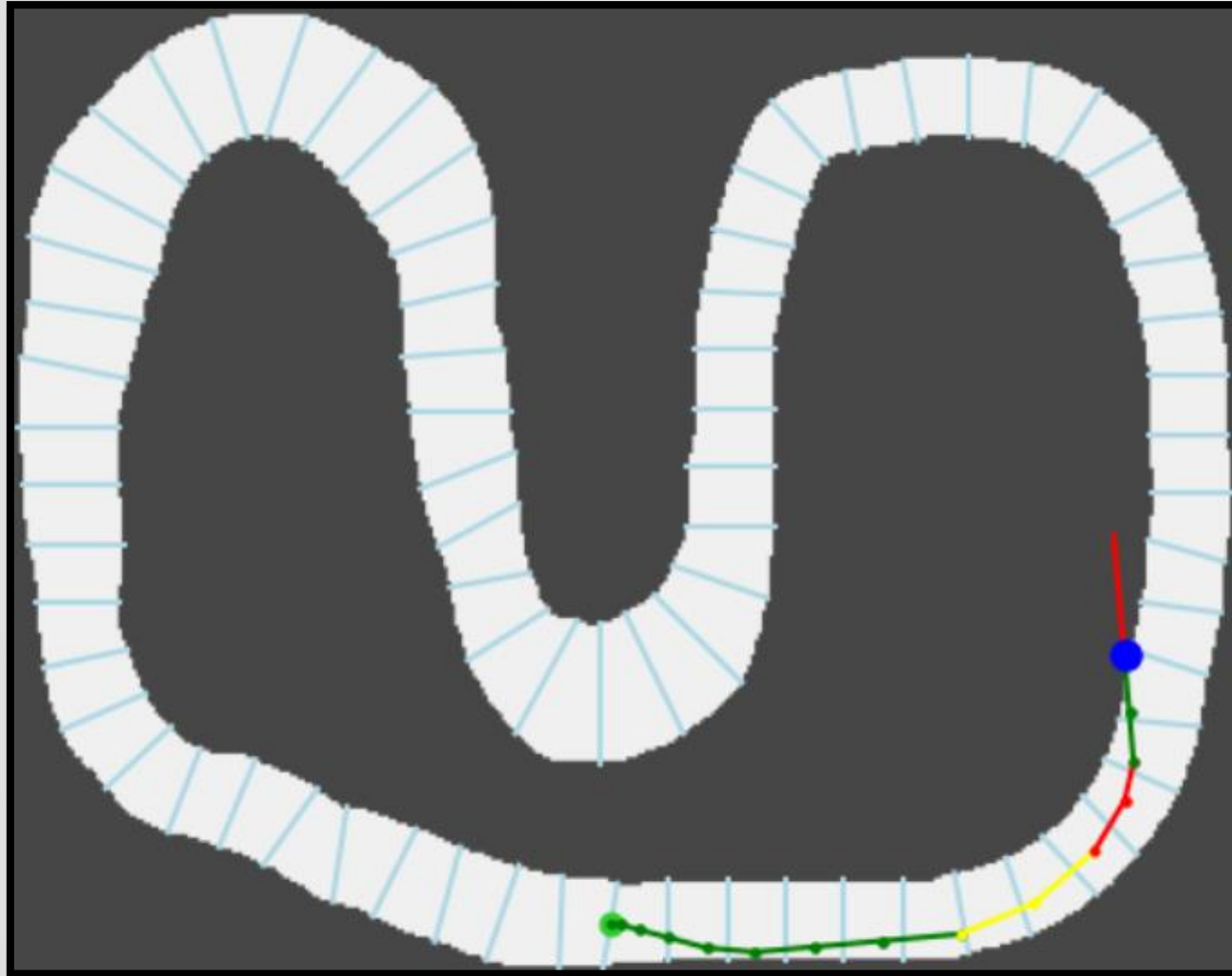
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4) Interaction with the environment



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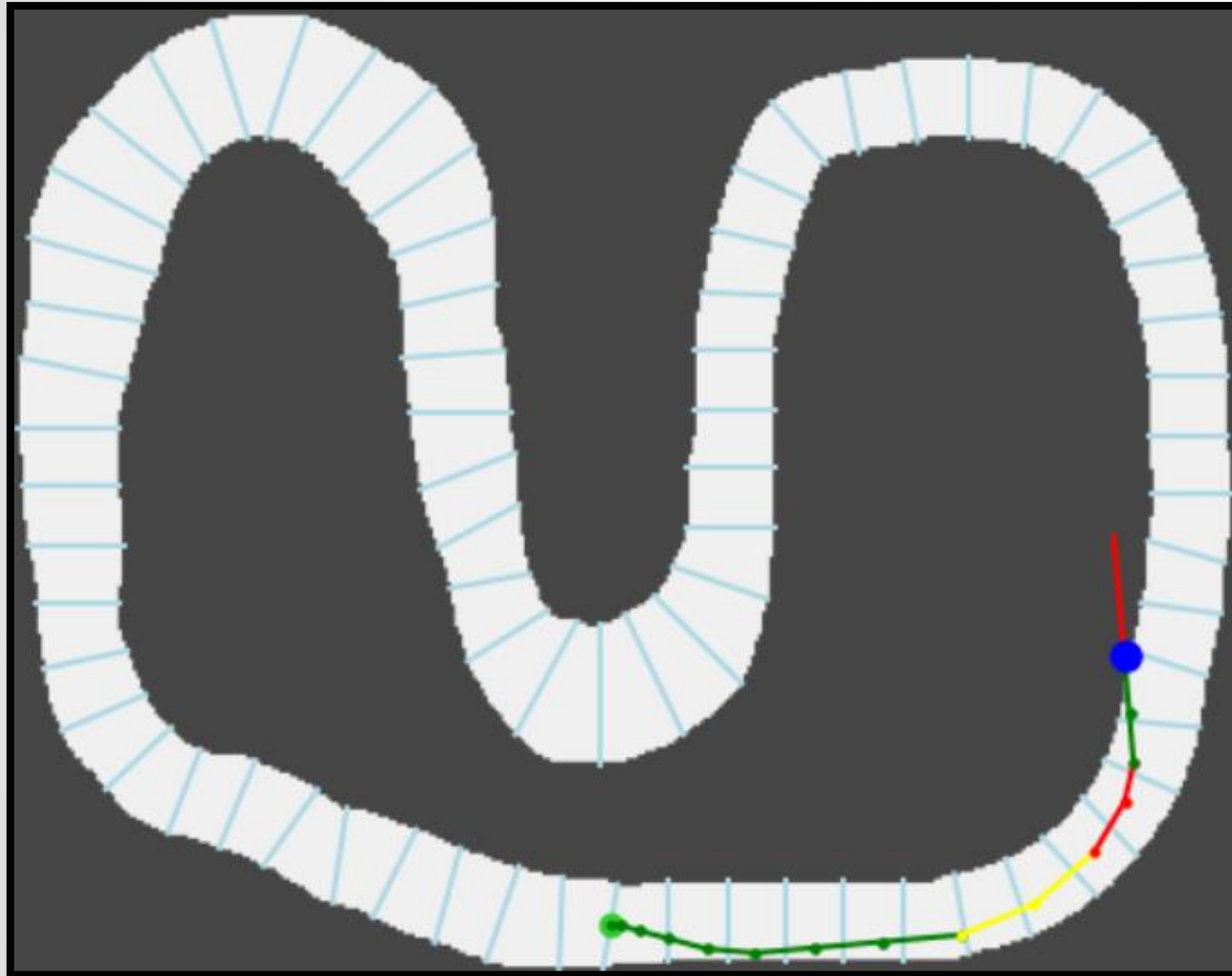
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$R = [10, 1, 2, 12, 13, 13, 13, 14, 24, 14, 13, 12, 13, -497]$

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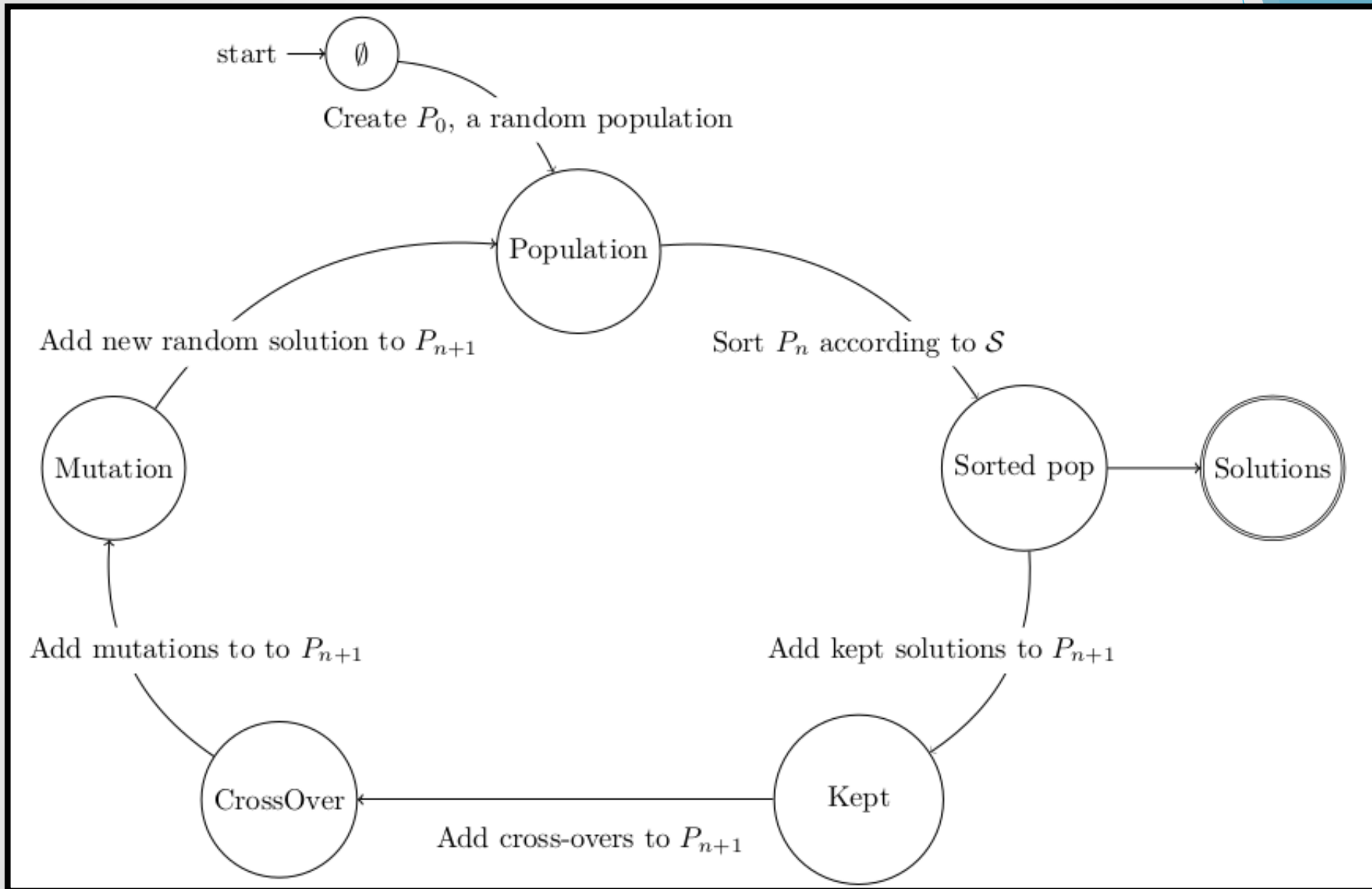
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Total reward: $\sum_{r \in R} r = -343$

2) Genetic Algorithm



3) Q-Learning

1) Formula

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Error:

$$|Q_{\pi}(s, a) - (r + \gamma \max_{a' \in A} Q_{\pi}(s', a))|^2$$

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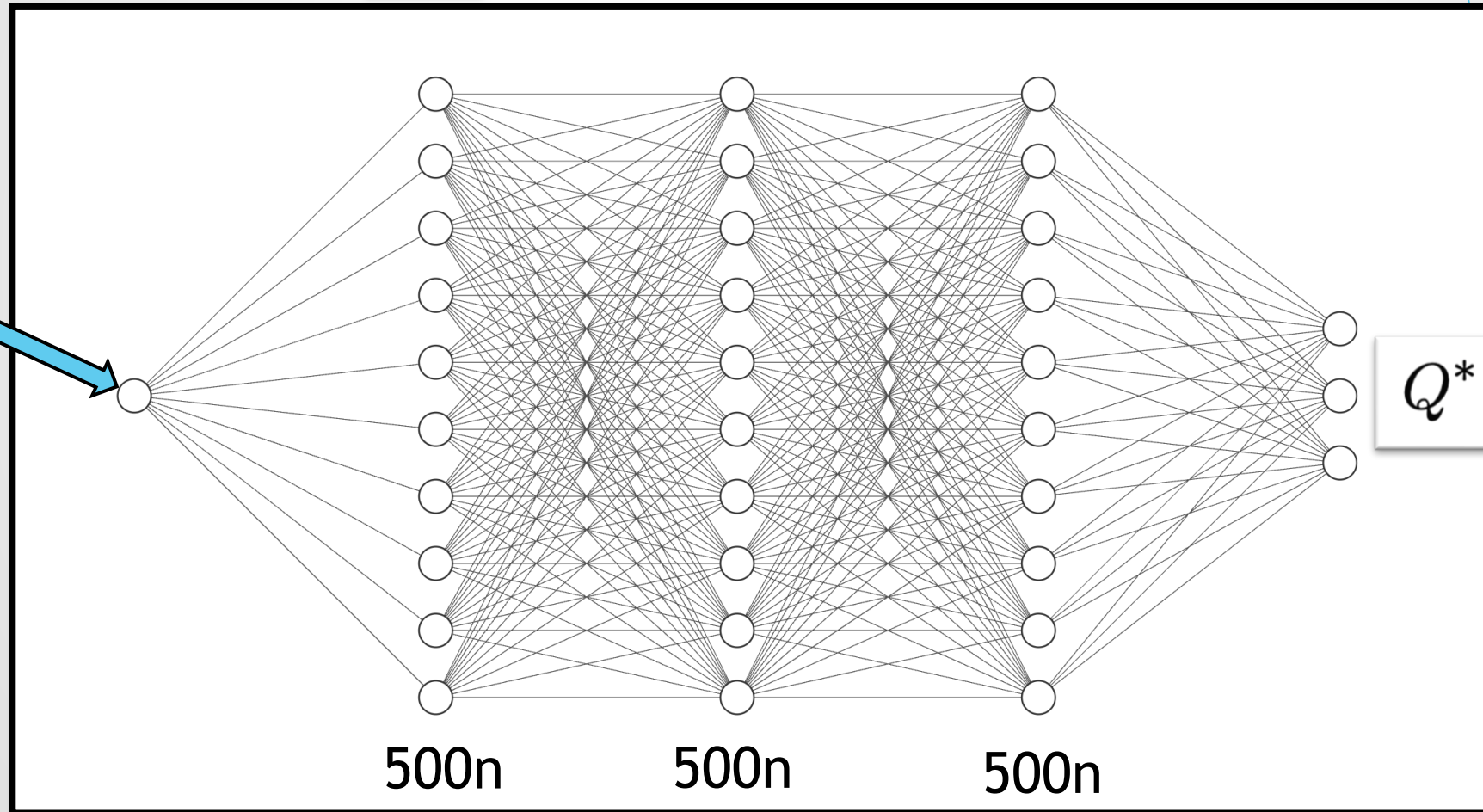
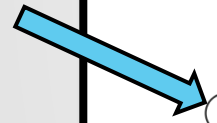
2) Neural network

- Goal : Approximate

$$Q^*$$

300000 Parameters

State of
the Car



$$Q^*(s, a)$$

3) Q-Learning

3) High level workflow

- Choose an action
 - Observe the reward
 - Compute the error given by the Bellman equation.
 - Change the model's parameters to minimize this error.
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- Remark: We use techniques to stabilize the training
(mini-batches, ReplayBuffer, epsilon-greedy policy)

4) Simulation

1) Objectives

- Compare the different models used to train the car
- Evaluate the best hyper-parameters for the Deep Q model.
- Analyse the performance of the best train.

4) Simulation

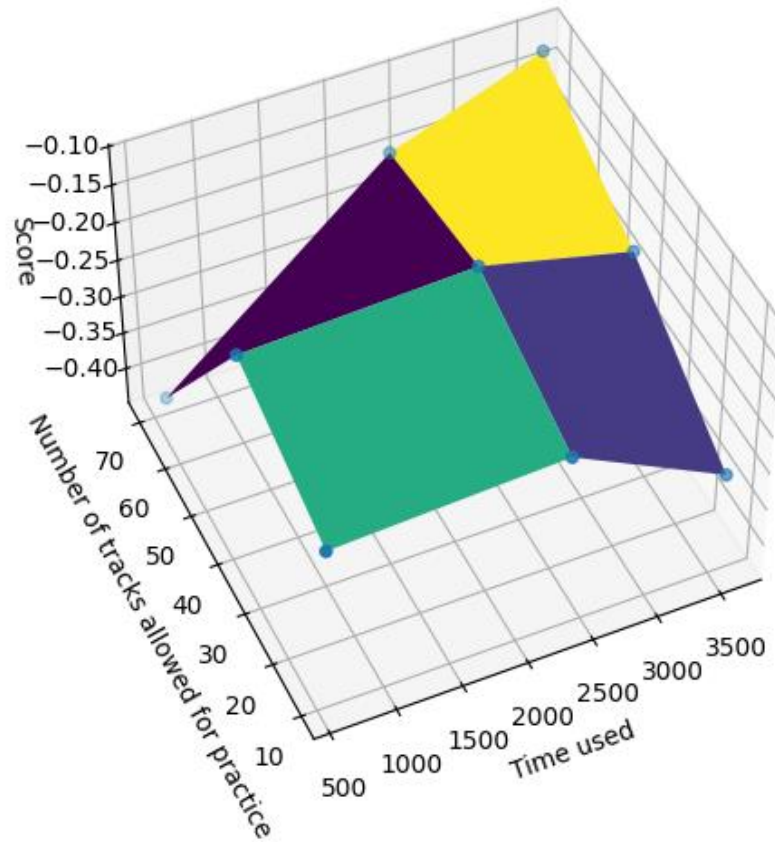
2) How to compares the models?

- ✓ Same number of CPU/GPU (Grid5000)
- ✓ We chose to change the **number of training tracks** and **the training time**
- ✓ We chose to evaluate on **the average reward** and **the volatility** of the trained car

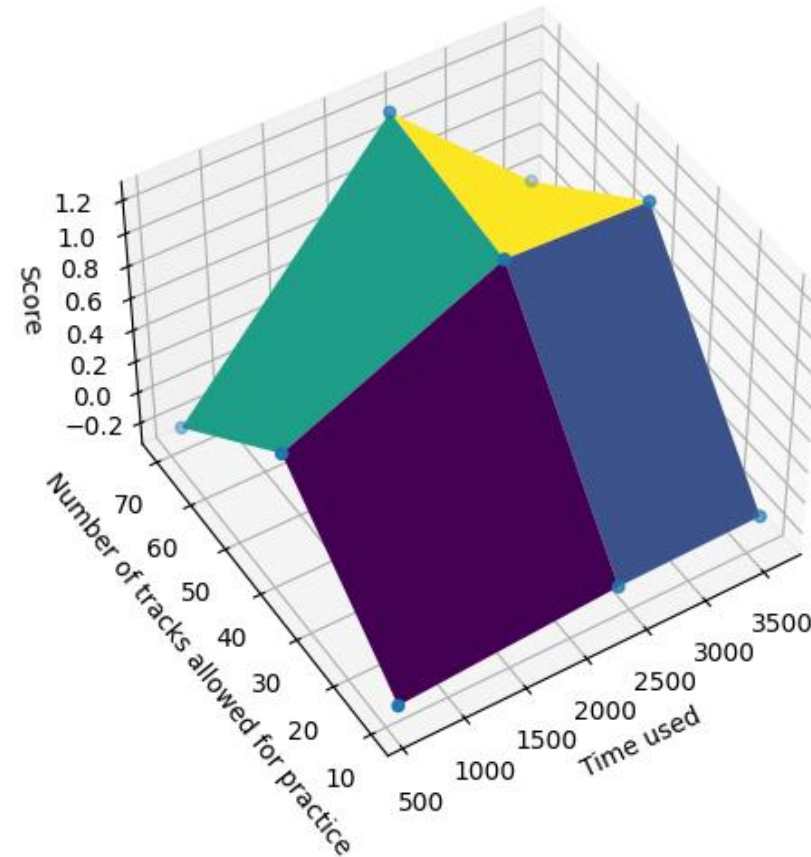
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1) Q-Learning VS Genetic Algorithms: Reward

Score after training for the Genetical algorithm



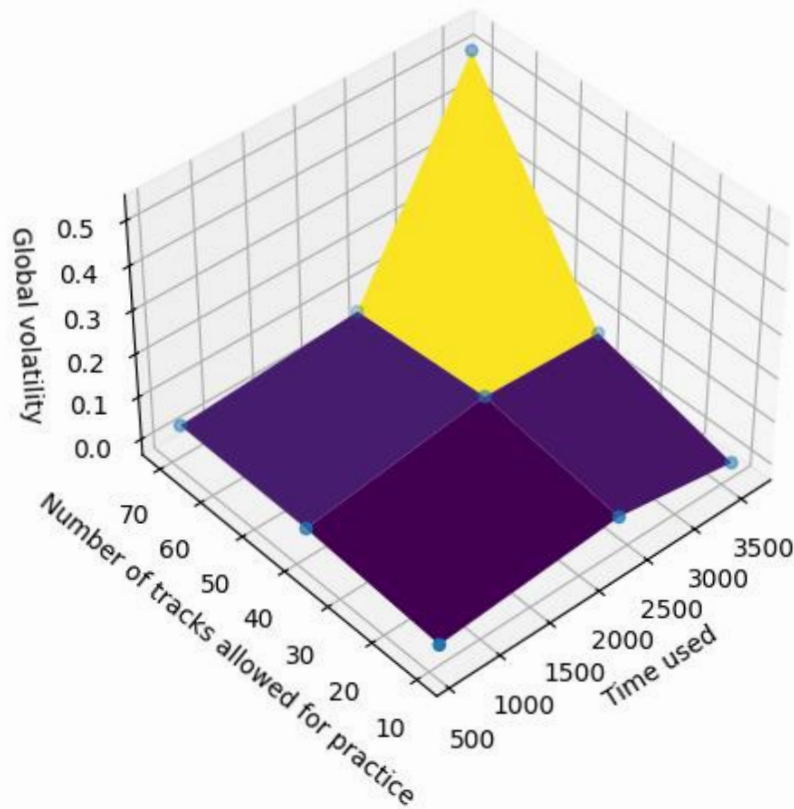
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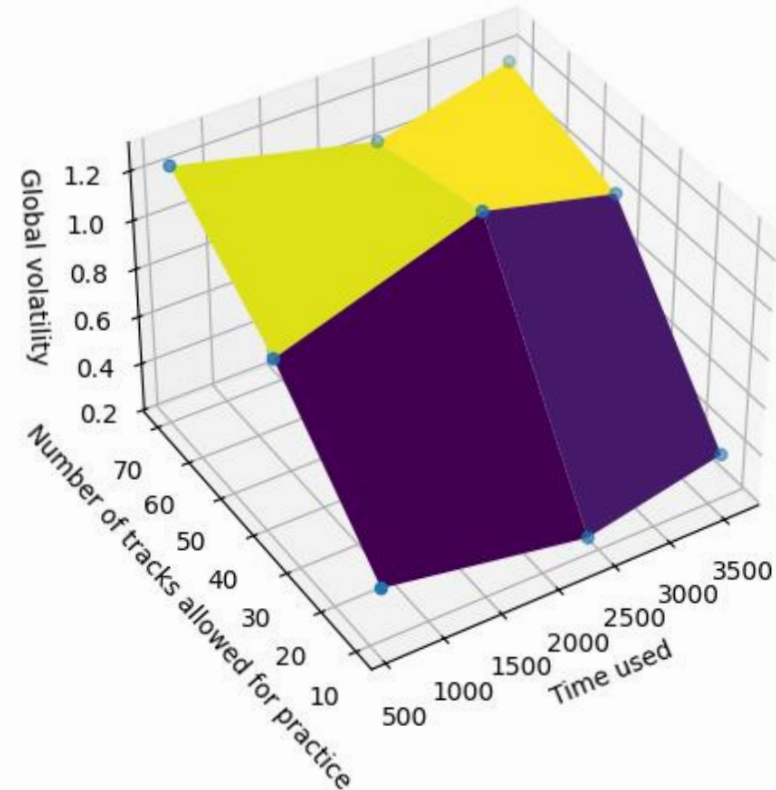
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2) Q-Learning VS Genetic Algorithms: Volatility

Global volatility after training for the Genetical algorithm

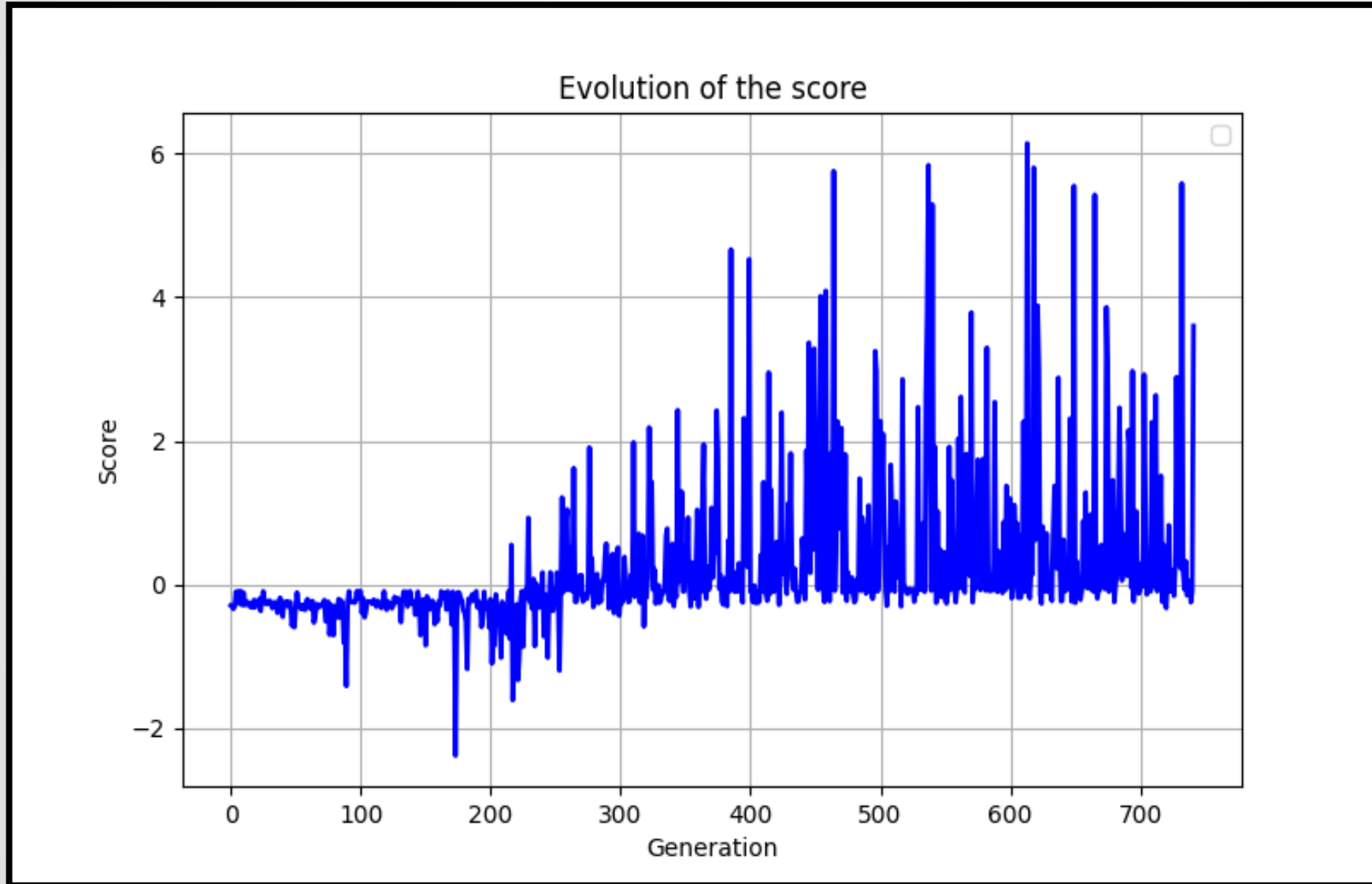


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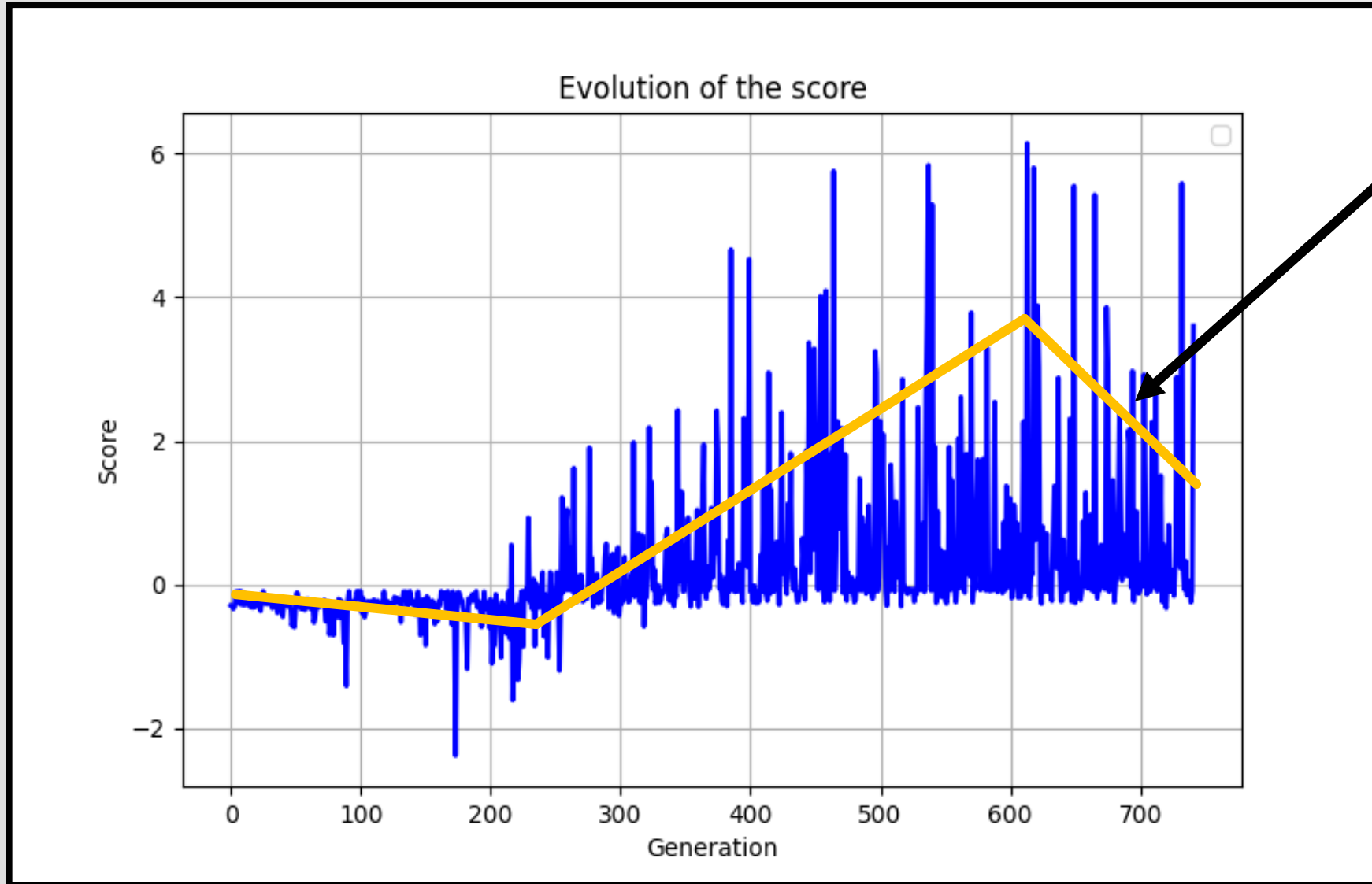
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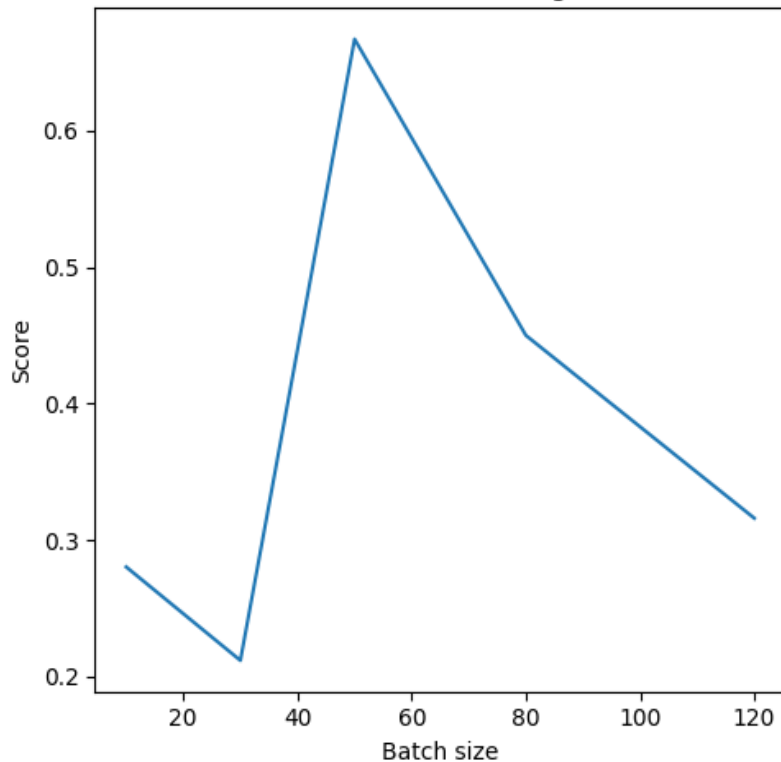


Overfitting

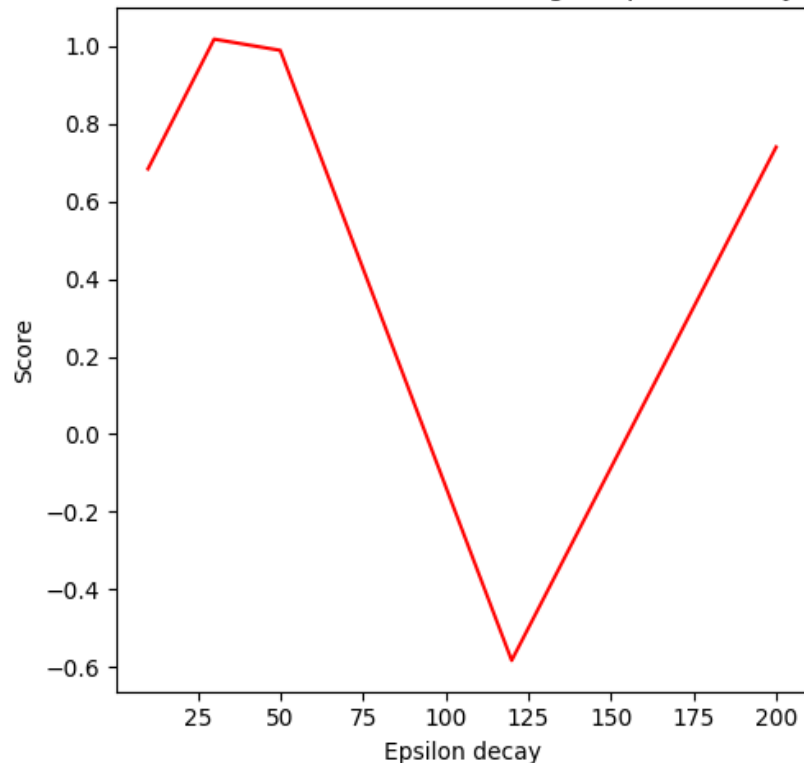
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4) Best hyper-parameters

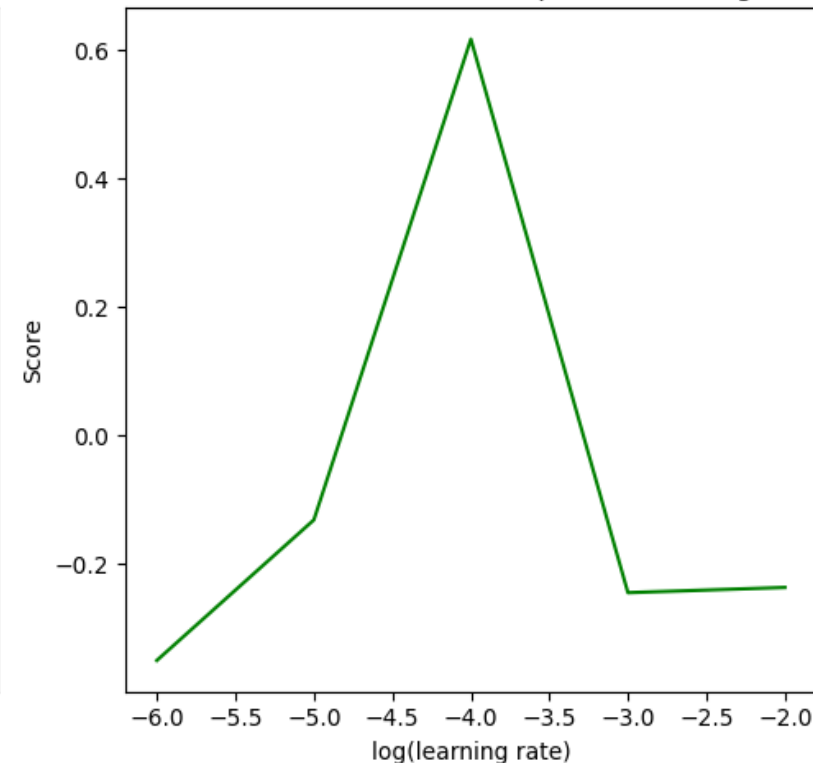
Evolution of the score according to batch size



Evolution of the score according to epsilon decay



Evolution of the score with respect to learning rate



6) Demonstration

7) Conclusion

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Limits, Future Work:

- Explore the dependence on other hyperparameters
- Complexify the physics of the car
- Overfitting

Thanks you for your attention

