

Review of the DeepMind's paper about AlphaGo

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In 2016, the DeepMind's AlphaGo defeated Lee Sedol, one of the world's best players of Go. This ancient game is a board game so complex that computers had not been expected to master it for another decade at least, according to [1]. In their paper "Mastering the Game of Go With Neural Network and Tree Search", [2] described the technical details of the system.

As explained in the Deepmind's blog post¹ about the computer program, due to the enormous search space of Go, traditional AI methods, which construct a search tree over all possible positions, are not suited to this board game.

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¹Source: <https://deepmind.com/research/alphago/>