

Reflection report Tinlab Machine Learning

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1 Introduction

This is my reflection on my performance on the 5 competents: advise, analyze, manage, design and realize. In the course: tinlab machine learning.

2 reflection

2.1 advice

The tinlab machine learning does not involve stakeholders or anything else that requires any advice, hence there is no way to reflect on my advising skills.

2.2 analyse

Analysing was a crucial part of this tinlab. I personally had no experience with machine learning before, so I had a lot to learn. There were a lot of opportunities given to learn about machine learning and the important information surrounding it by the teachers like: slides, books and articles. A summary of this can be found in my personal report. Sometimes it was quite difficult to understand the information that the articles tried to convey, because they are written in a very direct and scientific way that assumes you have a lot of foreknowledge about machine learning, which frankly I did not have. That made it very hard to read and the teacher did little to none for making it more understandable, but I could have put in even more effort too. In short I put enough effort in to understand everything that I needed to but not everything. This is mainly because the materials were too hard to understand with my lack of general knowledge and assistance.

2.3 design

Designing was not very present in this project, but I did design most of the neural networks in the ways of how many nodes and hidden layers we use and why that number.

2.4 manage

Alex and I decided to use Agile project management with the help of Trello for the system to manage the project. Almost every day we had a meeting to talk about the progress that was made the day before and to discuss what task we will be working on that day. For version management we used Git for both the reports, code and the neural networks. The Git log can be found in the main report. Using Git was sometimes a bit frustrating but very useful when we needed to go back to an older version.

2.5 realise

We have made a controller that can finish all the road tracks in torcs with -noisy on. This is done with a trained neuralnetwork and a getback on track functions. This functions takes control of the car if it crashes and gets it back on the track before it gives control back too the neural network.

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