Playful Acquisition of Basic Behavioral Skills

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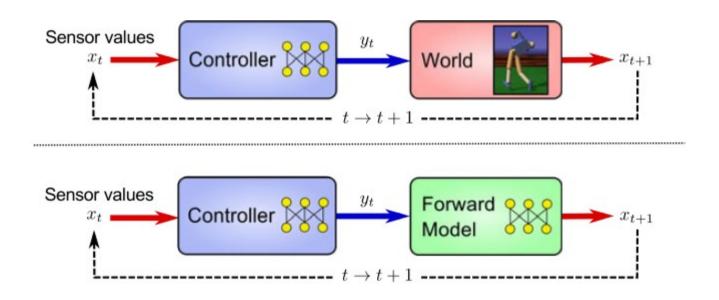
Homeokinesis is trying to actively investigate the perturbations rather than canceling them out

This is an **exploration heuristic**

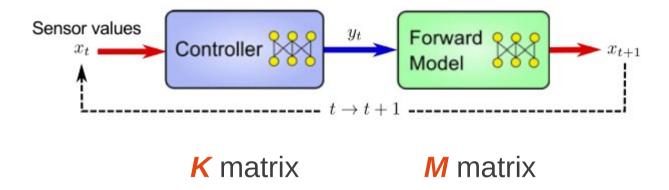
What Ralf showed Monday was not homeokinesis

But it is **close enough** to be considered the same in the context of this presentation

Homeokinesis in 4 slides* and 4 equations



Sensorimotor Loops the **reality**, the **model**



$$\psi(x) = M(x, K(x))$$
 (one)

$$x_{t+1} = \psi(x_t) + \xi_{t+1} \tag{two}$$

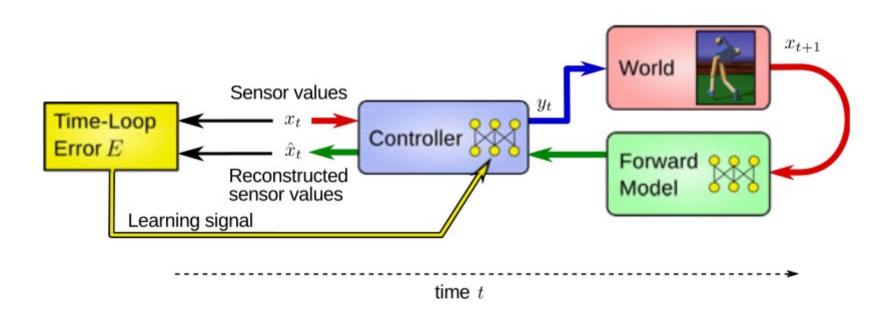
Homeokinesis : find v_t such that

$$x_{t+1} = \psi(x_t) + \xi_{t+1} = \psi(x_t + v_t)$$
 (three)

with the constraint that

$$v_t = \arg\min_{v} ||x_{t+1} - \psi(x_t + v)||$$
 (four)

The norm of v_t is the **time-loop error**



Where to go from there?

Homeokinesis is an exploration heuristic

- A. It does not retain aquired skills
- B. It does not try to learn anything

First idea

Clustering

also known as "the back-up plan"

Learning

- 1. Run a homekinesis simulation
- 2. Capture the state of the controller at regular interval
- 3. Put that in a database
- 4. At the end of the simulation, clusterize.

Reuse

- 1. Deactivate learning
- 2. Pick a cluster center
- 3. Set it as the current controller.
- 4. Observe

Live Demo