

Reinforcement Learning and Inverse Optimization for Autonomous Navigation

Special course - Fall 2023

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Week 9 - 27-02-2024:

- Reviewing literature mainly in inverse RL, RL with human feedback and COLREG-compliant collision avoidance.
- Exploring the Data:
 - Question? Land.pickle returning empty list.
 - Question? Depth.pickle vrs depth data in seachart.json.
- Structuring the Python Package:
 - Defining modules and classes for data processing, analysis, and environment implementation.

Week 10 - 04-03-2024:

Imitation library: <https://imitation.readthedocs.io/en/latest/#>



Algorithms:

- Behavioral Cloning (Policy *)
- Generative Adversarial Imitation Learning (Policy *)
- Adversarial Inverse Reinforcement Learning (Policy, recovers reward func *)
- DAgger (Policy similar to BC but online *)
- Density-Based Reward Modeling (Reward function no interpretable *)
- Maximum Causal Entropy Inverse Reinforcement Learning (Reward *)
- Preference Comparison (Reward)
- Soft Q Imitation Learning (Policy DQN)

Topics & next steps

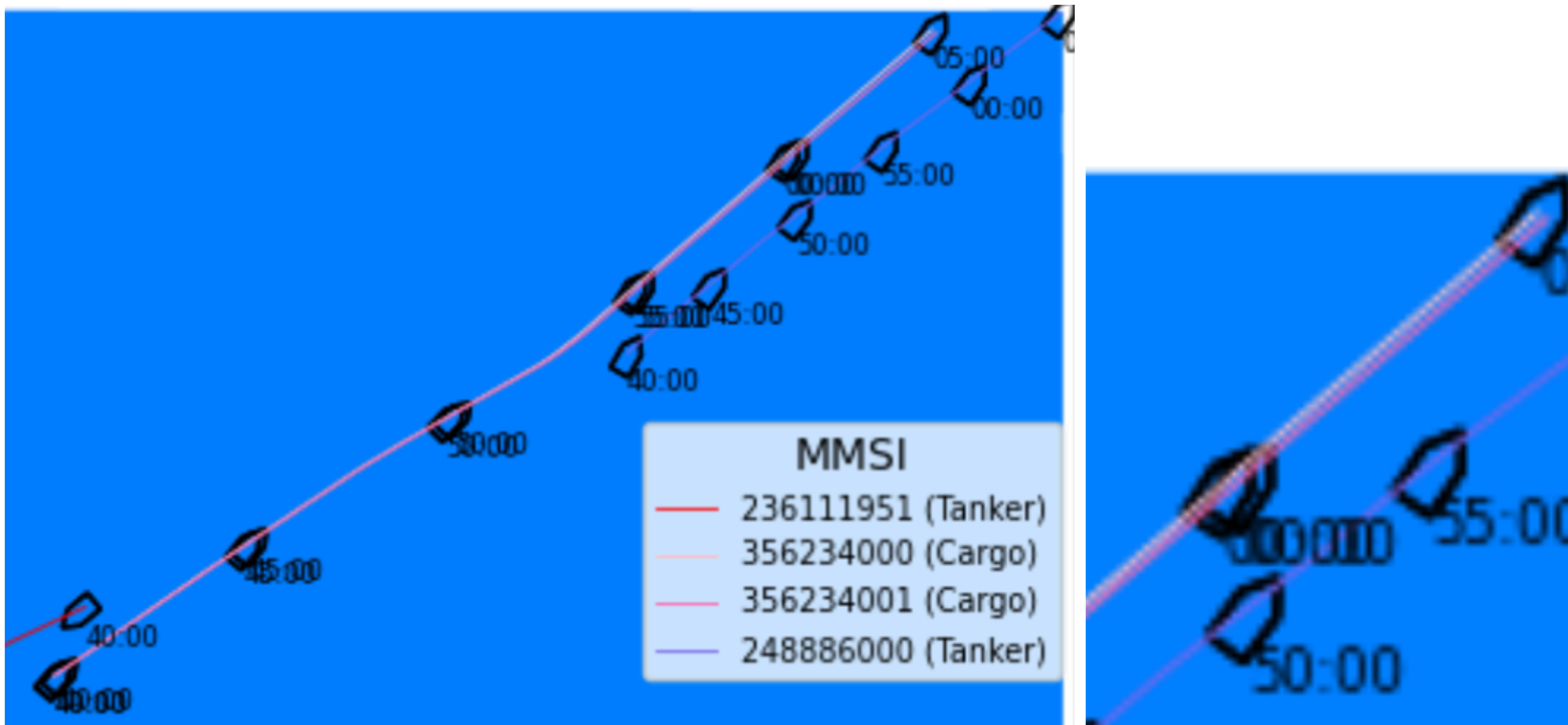
- Create the env with Gymnasium's API
- Actions:
 - Used sog and cog as action vector and keep lon and lat as observations.
 - create the dynamic model.
- Observations:
 - Model as a multiagent systems.
 - Fix number of dynamic objects.
 - observation horizon.
- Limitations on Horizon Length
- Trajectories to Transitions.
- Metrics

Week 11 - 12-03-2024:

Status:

- action space: `Box(-1, 1, (2,), float32)` -- normalization (max-speed)
- observation space: `Box(0, 255, (W, H), np.uint8)` and `Box(-1, 1, (n_vessels, 4), np.uint8)`

- Using the agent actions COG (radians) and SOG (m/s) to generate location.



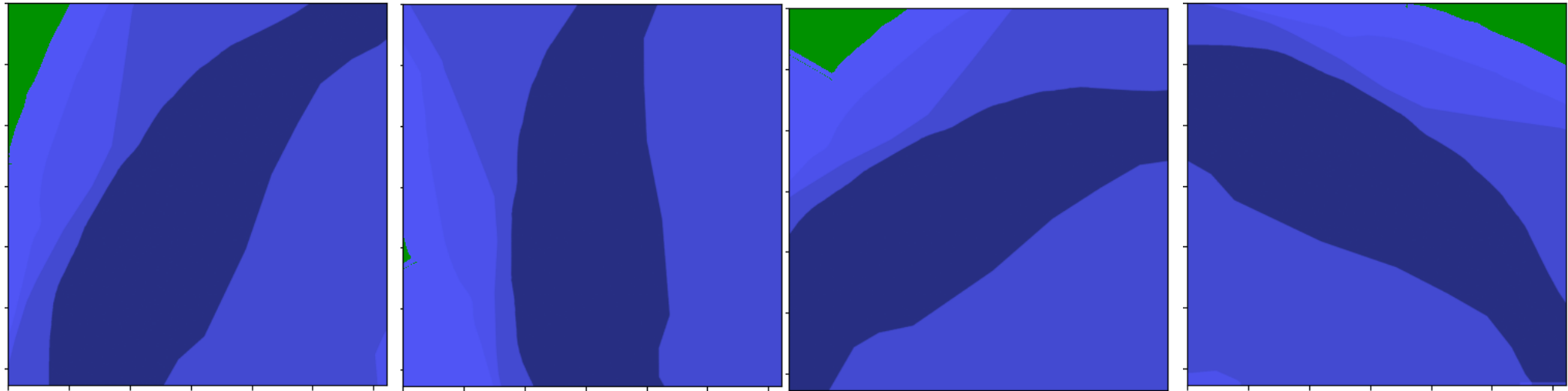
Next steps

- Create Land/Depth observation relative to the agent
- Create trajectory metric.

Week 12 - 19-03-2024:

- Create Land/Depth observation relative to the agent
Scenario 5 meters per pixel.

Transformation:



Next steps

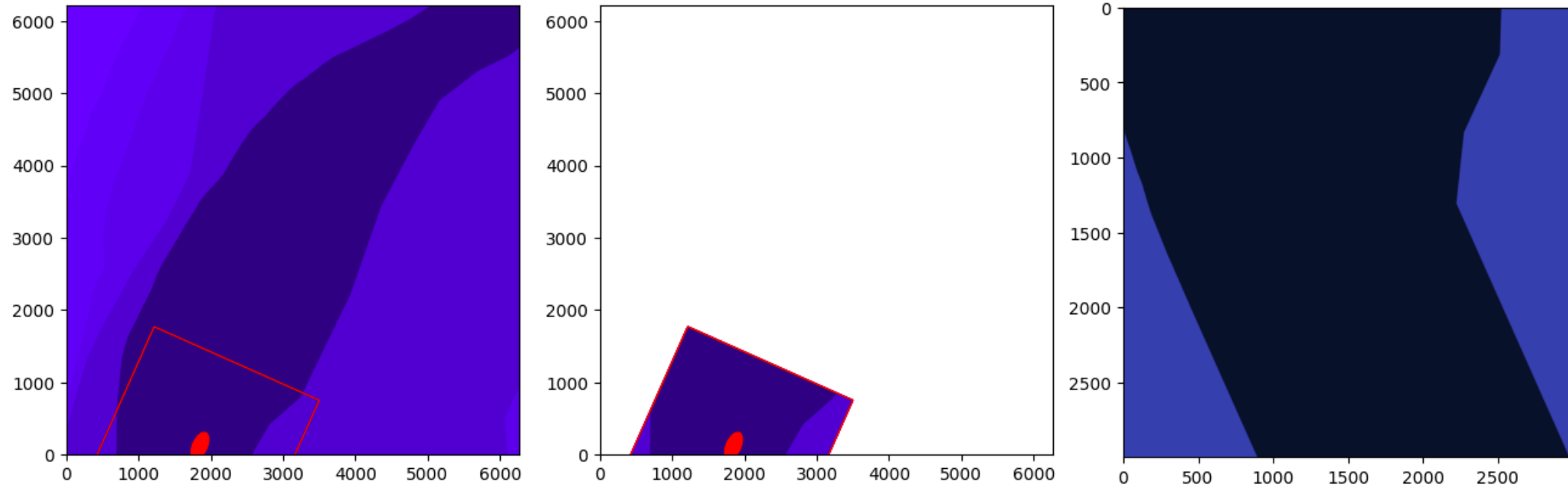
- Create trajectory metric.
- Start the implementation of IRL

Comments:

- along track error
- cross track error
- tracking the frames

Week 14 - 02-04-2024:

Cropping using polygons and then convert to matrix, filling missing areas with nearest pixel value:



Pygame representation:

Renderization with pygame:

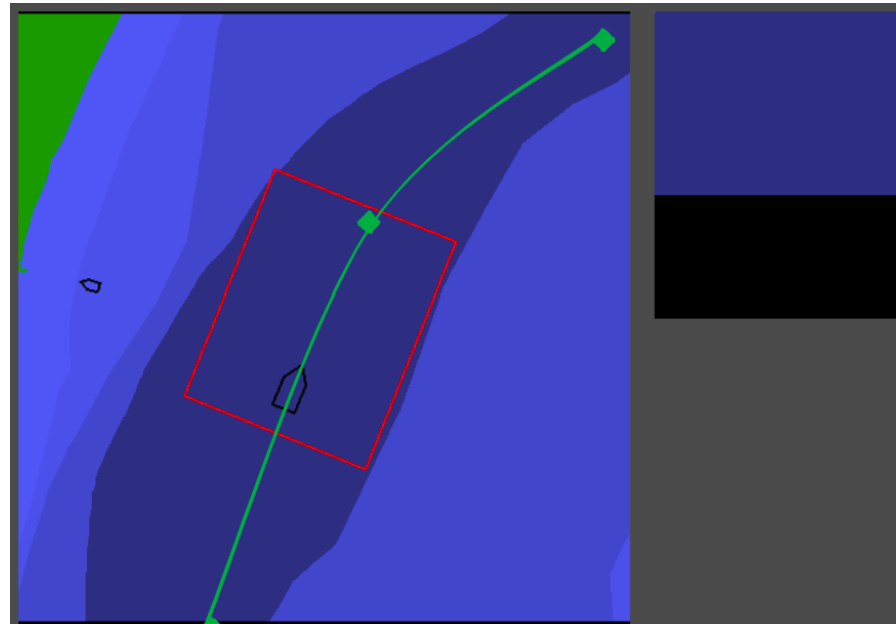


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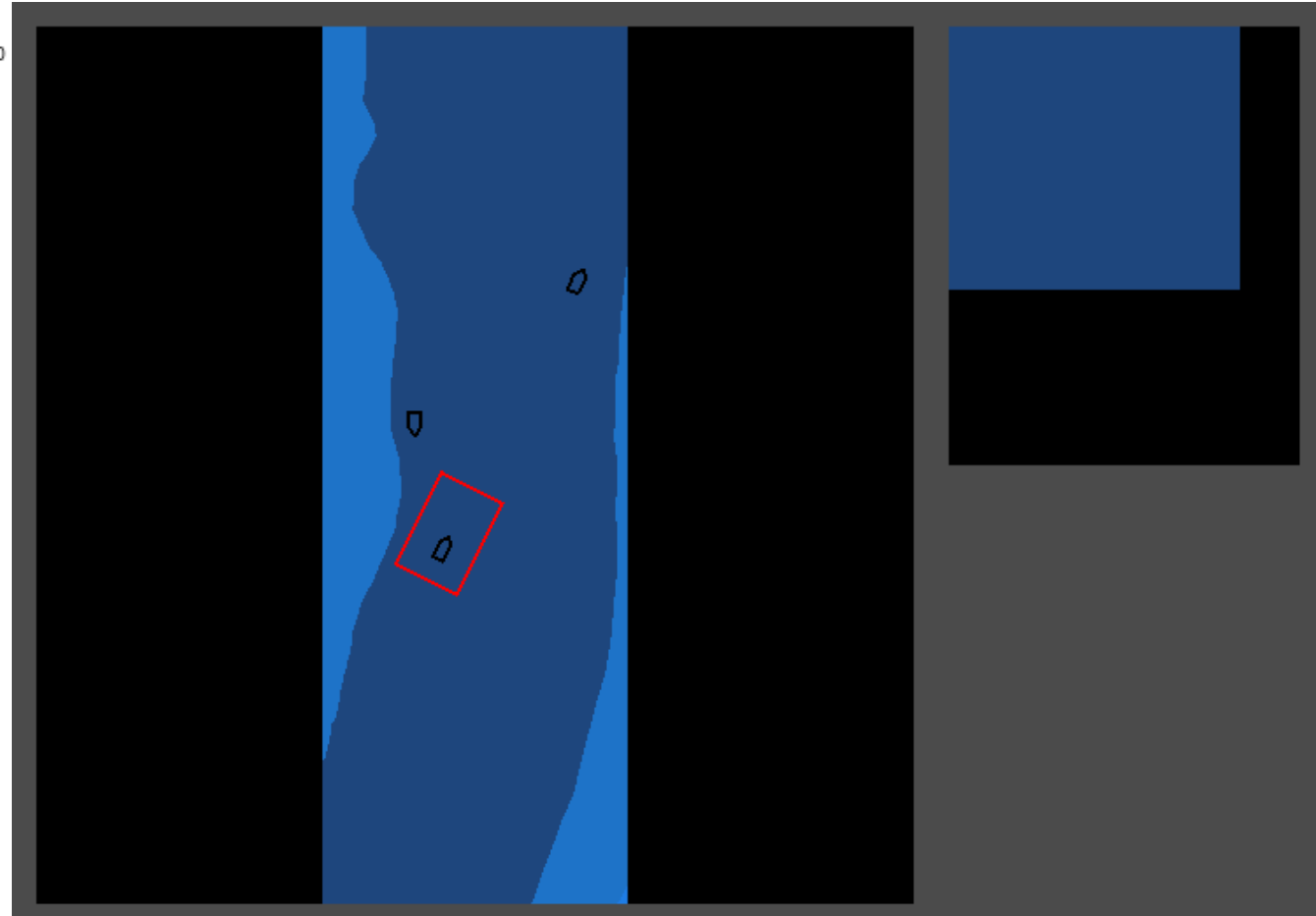
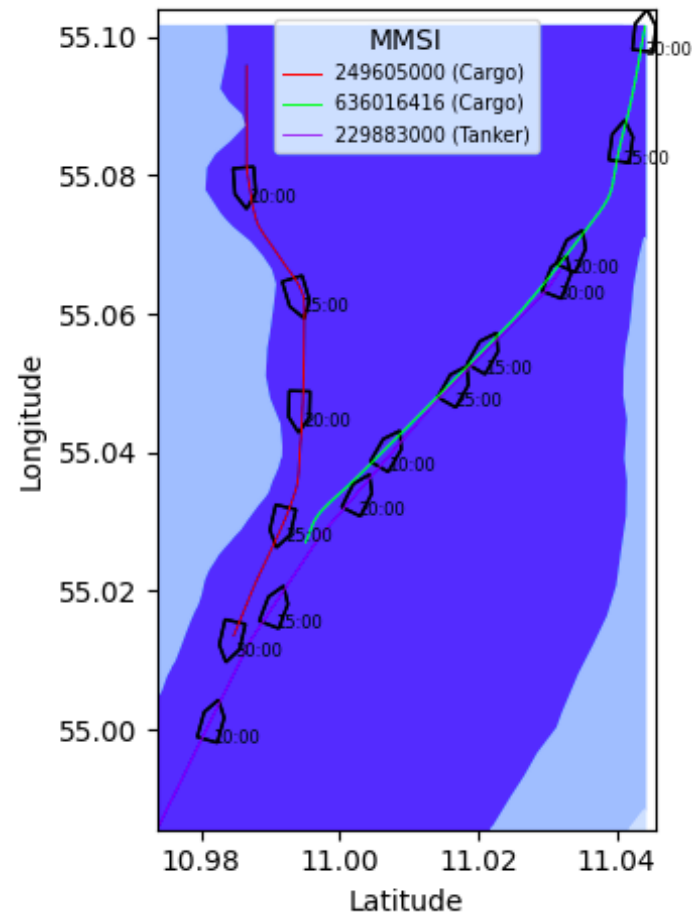
- Fix aspect ratio, some scenarios are not square
- Reading material:
 - DAgger: <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1011.0686.pdf>
 - IRL without RL: <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2303.14623.pdf>
 - Situational Awareness:
https://backend.orbit.dtu.dk/ws/files/338331238/PhD_thesis_260_sider_-_76_farvede.pdf
- Create trajectory metric. **
- Start the implementation of IRL **

Week 16 - 16-04-2024:

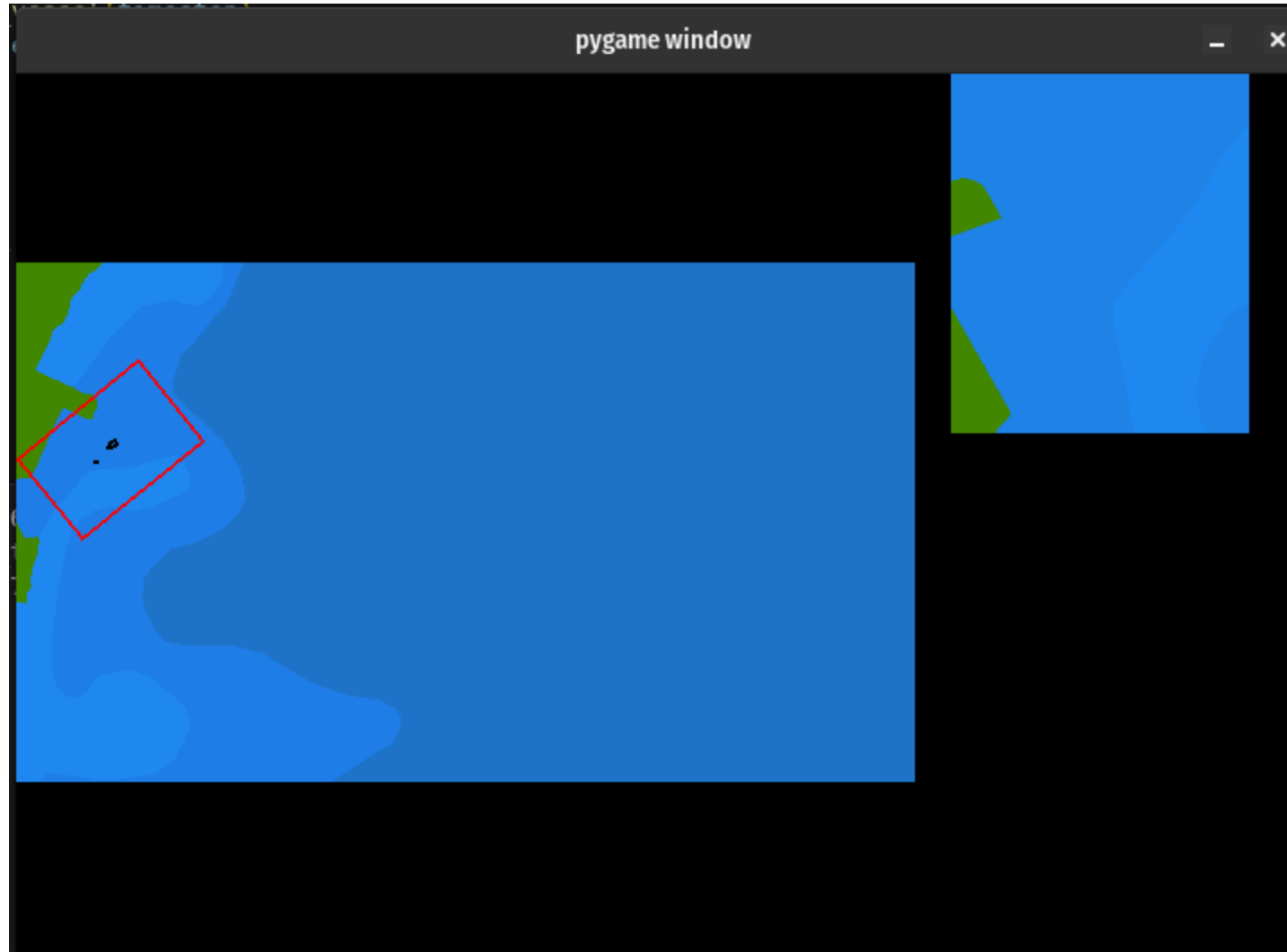
- Observation matrix bug --> the polygons were not property rotated.
- sllib bug lat-long (scenario_to_vessel_states_and_lands_north_east).
- Reading material - GAIL: <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1606.03476.pdf>
- Report: <https://www.overleaf.com/project/6605419761cb289c0b4f724a>



Follow established maritime routes:

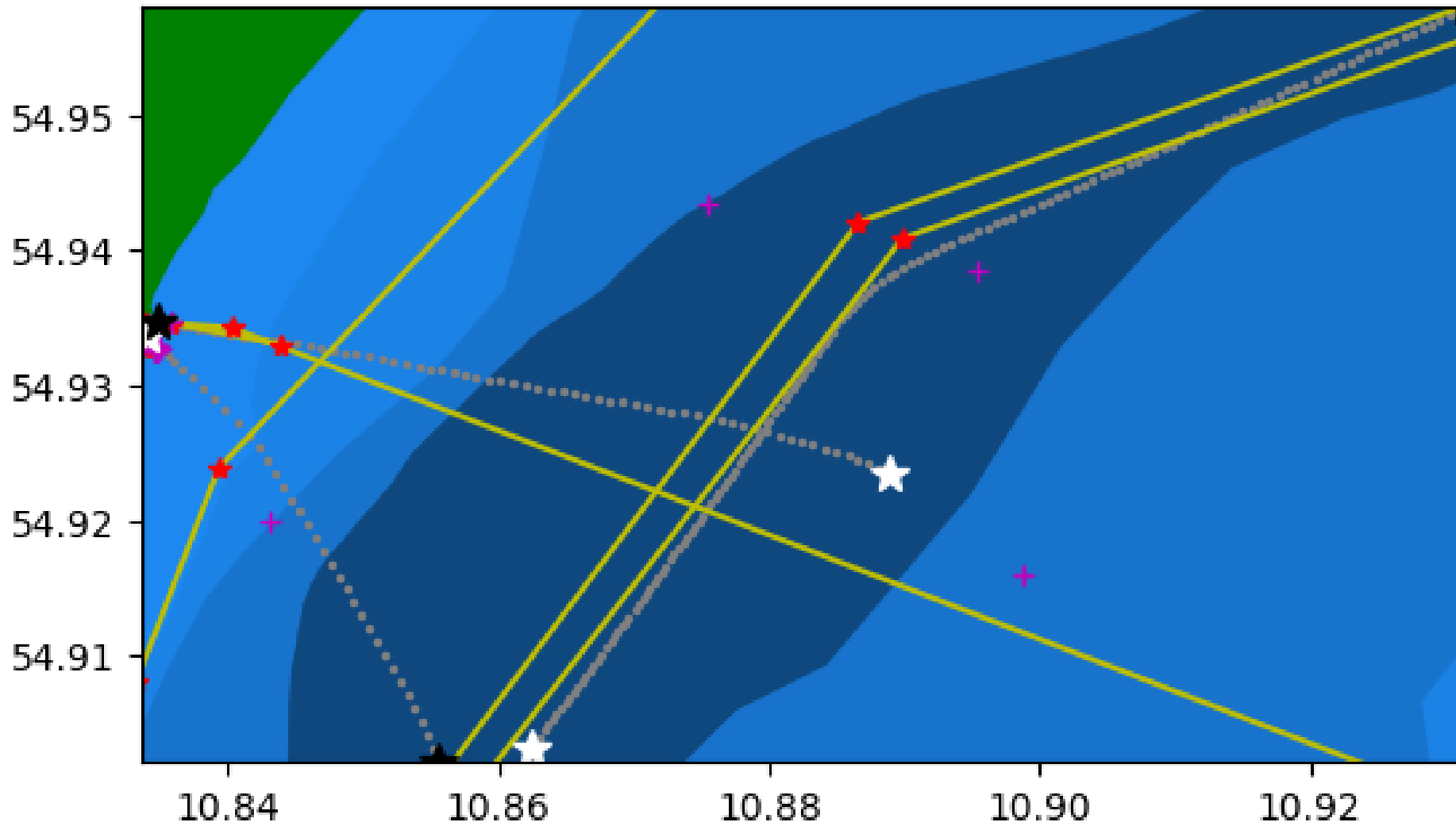


Week 19 - 07-05-2024:



overpy

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api = overpy.Overpass()
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Next steps:

- Use the overpy data (nodes and ways) directly in the observation matrix
- Handle the ships as a fixed list.
- Reading material - AIRL: <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1710.11248>