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(yet another) self-driving car simulator

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What

An isolated simulation environment designed to study how autonomous cars could learn to properly drive and coexist without an initial well defined traffic law

With

- a convoluted looped road track
- multiple autonomous cars

Without

- road signs

How the system will work

The autonomous cars should learn to:

Respect

- safety distance
- speed limits
- precedence

Avoid

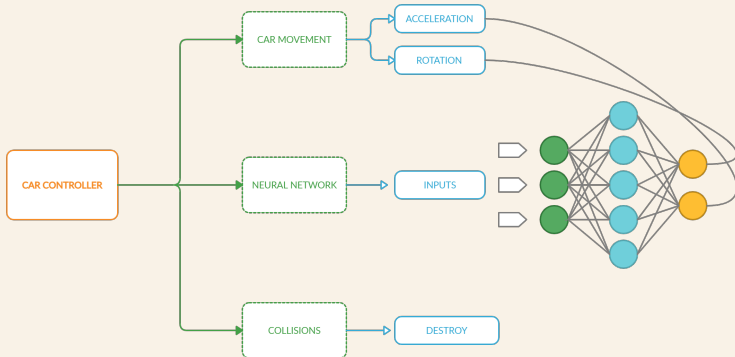
- border collisions
- road accidents
- traffic congestion

Why are we developing it?

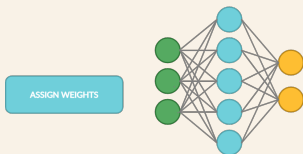
To study how self-driving cars could learn to coexist autonomously following traffic rules not previously defined

- To which side should priority be given to at a crossroad?
- On which side should an overtaking manoeuvre carried out?

Neural Network



Genetic Algorithm



DNA

CAR DNA

0.4 0.8 0.2 0.5 0.7 0.3 0.1 0.9 0.5 0.2 0.4 0.7 0.7 0.8 0.1 0.6 0.5 0.1 0.8 0.9 0.2 0.4 0.3 0.5 0.1 0.3 0.1 0.7 0.6 0.1 0.7 0.4

New epoch cars DNA

CHOICE OF THE BEST DNA'S

BEST SURVIVOR DNA

0.8 0.1 0.3 0.9 0.6 0.2 0.1 0.8 0.4 0.1 0.5 0.2 0.4 0.1 0.7 0.8 0.1 0.2 0.6 0.4 0.2 0.9 0.8 0.3 0.6 0.4 0.5 0.9 0.7 0.1 0.6 0.2

SECOND BEST
SURVIVOR DNA

0.3 0.2 0.6 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.3 0.7 0.4 0.7 0.5 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.8 0.7 0.9 0.2 0.8 0.7 0.1 0.3 0.5 0.6 0.4 0.5 0.9 0.4 0.5 0.4 0.5 0.9

NEW EPOCH CARS DNA MANIPULATION

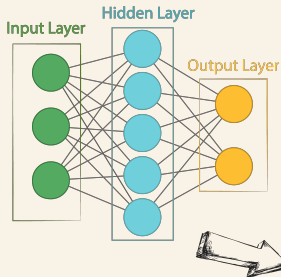
CROSSOVER

0.8 0.1 0.6 0.1 0.2 0.2 0.3 0.8 0.4 0.7 0.5 0.1 0.2 0.1 0.7 0.8 0.1 0.2 0.8 0.4 0.1 0.3 0.5 0.6 0.4 0.5 0.9 0.4 0.7 0.1 0.6 0.9

MUTATION

0.8 0.2 0.6 0.1 0.6 0.9 0.3 0.8 0.4 0.7 0.5 0.1 0.7 0.1 0.7 0.8 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4 0.1 0.3 0.5 0.6 0.4 0.5 0.9 0.4 0.1 0.1 0.6 0.9

Neural Network & Genetic Algorithm



Activation Function = Sigmoid

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$$

Car DNA

0.4 0.8 0.2 0.5 0.7 0.3 0.1 0.9 0.5 0.2 0.4 0.7 0.7 0.8 0.1 0.6 0.5 0.1 0.8 0.9 0.2 0.4 0.3 0.5 0.1 0.3 0.1 0.7 0.6 0.1 0.7 0.4

Activation Function

Adding BIAS

Acceleration

Rotation

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \textcircled{1} \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.3 & 0.4 \\ 0.8 & 0.1 & 0.7 \\ 0.2 & 0.9 & 0.7 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & 0.8 \\ 0.7 & 0.2 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 \\ 0.4 \\ 0.2 \end{bmatrix} = \sigma \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0.48 + b_0 \\ 0.74 + b_1 \\ 0.64 + b_2 \\ 0.71 + b_3 \\ 0.59 + b_4 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 \\ 0.2 \\ 0.3 \\ 0.4 \\ 0.2 \end{bmatrix} \\
 & \textcircled{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 & 0.1 & 0.9 & 0.4 & 0.5 \\ 0.5 & 0.8 & 0.2 & 0.3 & 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 \\ 0.2 \\ 0.3 \\ 0.4 \\ 0.2 \end{bmatrix} = \sigma \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0.97 + b_5 \\ 0.71 + b_6 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.21 \\ 0.34 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

Track generation process

- 1 input track parameters
 - number of crossroads
 - speed limit
 - coefficient of friction
- 2 Lissajous curve algorithm
- 3 track drawing using graphic libraries

Track preferences
Specify preferences about the track.
You can change them later.

No. of crossroads:	<input type="text" value="0"/>	▲ ▼
Speed limit:	<input type="text" value="70 km/h"/>	▲ ▼
Coefficient of friction:	<input type="text" value="Asphalt (clean and dry) - 0.72"/>	

Lissajous

curve algorithm

Use

- simple curves
- good positioning of crossroads

Formulas



$$x = A_x \sin(\omega_x t + \phi_x)$$



$$y = A_y \sin(\omega_y t + \phi_y)$$

Car types

Red car

- driving speed \approx speed limit
- low proximity sensors sensitivity

Green car

- driving speed \leq speed limit
- normal proximity sensors sensitivity

Blue car

- driving speed \ll speed limit
- high proximity sensors sensitivity

Editing preferences

from the second epoch onwards

Yes - Track preferences

- number of crossroads
- speed limit
- coefficient of friction

No - Set of cars

- number of red cars
- number of green cars
- number of blue cars

.yasd file extension

```
{  
  "cars": [{  
    "id": 0,  
    "color": "red",  
    "dna": [0.1,0.6, ... ,0.7]  
  }],  
  "track": {  
    "crossroads": 7,  
    "friction": 0,  
    "limit": 70  
  }  
}
```

Technical details

about the project

Programming language

- C++

GUI

- Qt5 + OpenGL

Building process

- CMake

Source Code

- GitHub
- GPL-3.0

Future developments

- Reinforcement learning (RL)
- Pictures as sensors input