A SEMANTIC SIGNAL PROCESSING

1 | Introduction

FRAMEWORK

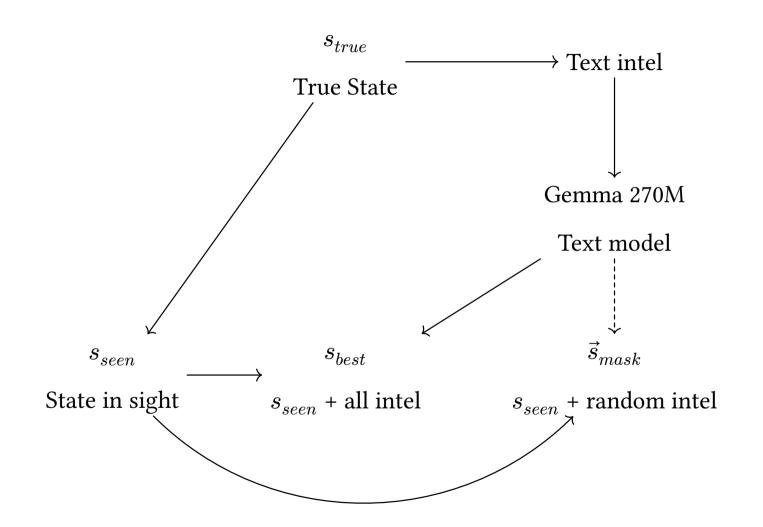
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- ▶ New RNG dimension for each of *k* sim sims
- ▶ Quantization of state (Figure 2) during play
- ► Today: improve masking (uniform in space)

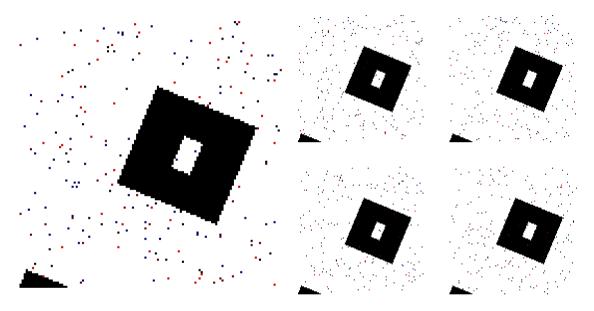


Figure 2: A single base simulation \vec{s}_t (left) and four imagined simulations $\vec{\overline{s}}_t$ (right)

1 | Introduction

Nebellum is a *semantic* signal processing framework. It leverages a multimodal large language model, Gemma [1], to decode pieces of intel, and a vectorized war game, Parabellum, to assign *importance* to those pieces.

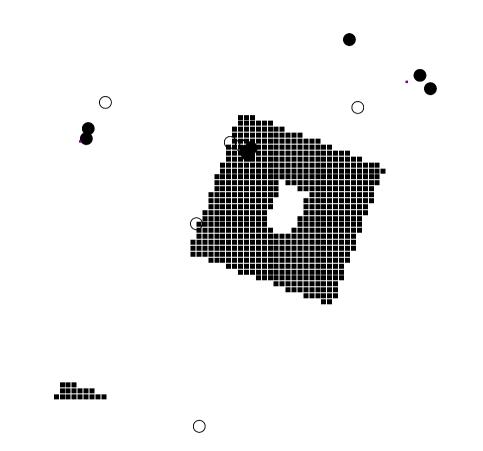


Figure 3: Parabellum simulation of Colosseo

Quadrato in Rome

1.1 | Notation

This is simulation heavy project. We have true game states, various kinds of estimated game states, as well as simulated game states

A true game state at time t s_t s_t' Simulated game state based on s_t \hat{s}_t An intel subset based *estimate* of s_t \hat{s}_t' Simulated game state based on s'_t Estimte of s_t based on all intel \overline{s}_t \overline{s}'_t Simulated state based on \overline{s}_t

- \blacktriangleright Low level behavior is controlled by assigning behavior trees b and target positions
- ▶ Behavior trees map observations (info on units in sight range) to actions (move or shoot vector)
- \blacktriangleright Unit behavior (and target) is assigned by evaluating plan p at time t
- \blacktriangleright Plan evaluation happens m (evenly spaced) times throughout an n step episode

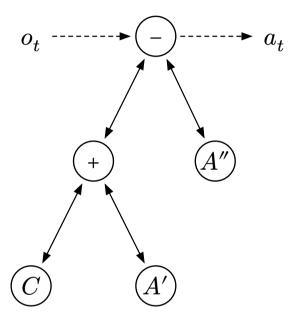


Figure 4: Behavior tree receiving a unit observation

 o_t and returning a unit action a_t

- \blacktriangleright Leafs are conditions (C) or actions (A)
- ► Non-leafs are sequnces (+) or fallbacks (-)
- ► They require all (+) or one (-) child success
- ▶ In Figure 4, if C succeds A' runs else A'' runs
- ▶ "if enemy is in reach shoot enemy else move up"

- ▶ Plan evaluation maps state s_t to behavior b_t
- Figure 5 shows a graph with nodes that contain unit group g, target t and behavior b
- \blacktriangleright Targets can be positional (g shall go near t) ...
- \blacktriangleright ... or adversarial (g shall kill enemies near t)

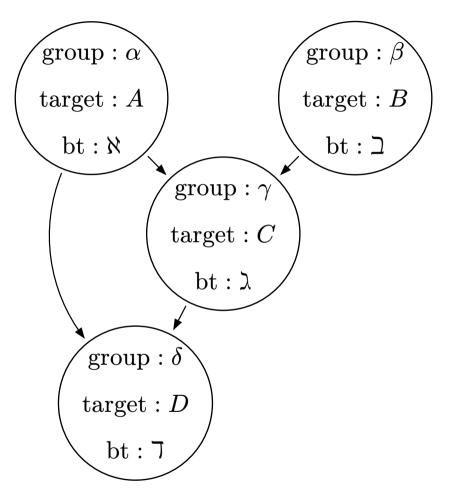


Figure 5: Example of plan data structure

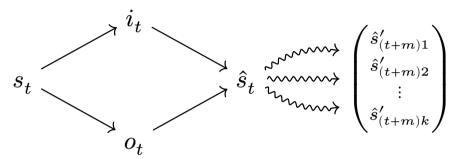


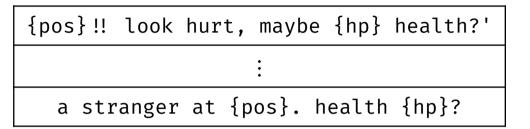
Figure 6: At time t we have state s_t , intel i_t and observation o_t . These are combined into \hat{s}_t , the basis for k different m step trajectories

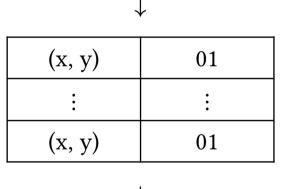
Each of the k plan evaluations consists of:

- 1. Analysis: estimating the state \hat{s}_t by combining unit observation o_t with intel i_t
- 2. Simulation: setting k imagined simulations in motion based on \hat{s}_t

2.1 | Analysis

- ▶ Intel i_t is generated on all units in s_t encoding position and health in natural language
- ► Each piece of intel is fed to Gemma for analysis and combination into state estimate \hat{s}_t
- \blacktriangleright For each team, k intel subsets are made from a random masking of enemy units out of sight
- For each intel subset $i_{tj}: j \in [1, k]$ state \hat{s}_{tj} is made by masking info in \hat{s}_t from intel *not* in i_{tj}





$$\begin{pmatrix} \\ \hat{s}_{t1} & \hat{s}_{t2} & \dots & \hat{s}_{tk} \end{pmatrix}$$

2.2 | Simulation

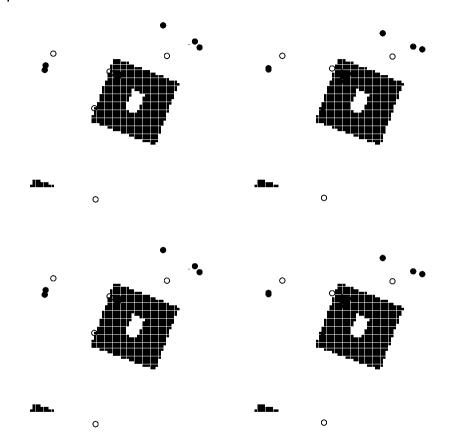


Figure 7: Simulated futures based on would be behaviors based on different pieces of intel

- ▶ The plan p is evaluated for each of the k states $\hat{s}_{tj}: j \in [1,k] \text{ yielding the } k \text{ behaviors } b_j$
- ▶ From s_t or \hat{s}_{tj} , k trajectories (one for each behavior b_j) of length $\left\lfloor \frac{n}{m} \right\rceil$ are run and recorded

2.2 | Simulation

- lacktriangle Using s_t as simulation basis we can assign importance to different aspects of the intel i_{tj}
- lacktriangle Using \hat{s}_{tj} we can assign importance to different aspects of the current state s_t

3 | Evaluation

- ► As expected the delta starts small
- ▶ Divergence occus under some conditions
- ► For a subset of these, it converges again

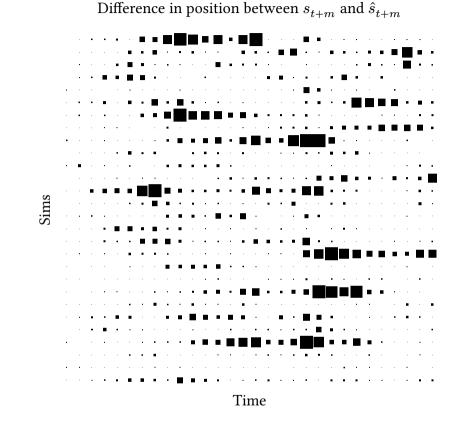


Figure 8: Diverence between true state s_t and simulated states. Simulations are based on s_t (not \hat{s}_t .

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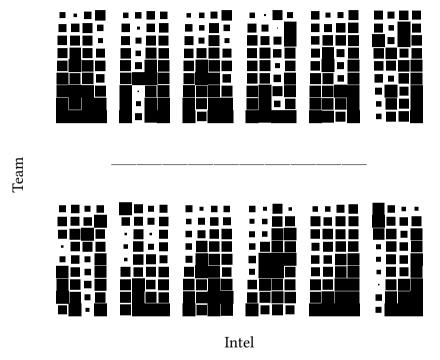


Figure 10: Linear regression β values of importance of different pieces of intel

- ▶ In subplots rows is epoch and cols is time
- ▶ We see that there *is* a pattern
- ► Sometimes somethings predict the future ...
- ▶ ... other times other things predict the future

4 | Future

- ► [x] Compute importance score
- ▶ [] Highlight which intel is important
- ▶ [] Add importance overlay to location on top of map (nice UI)
- ▶ [] Multiple trajectories s' per intel subset (for robustness)
- lacktriangle [] Hide true enemy plan, infering it from o_t and i_t
- ▶ [] Non visible enemy units could be sampled uniformly?

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