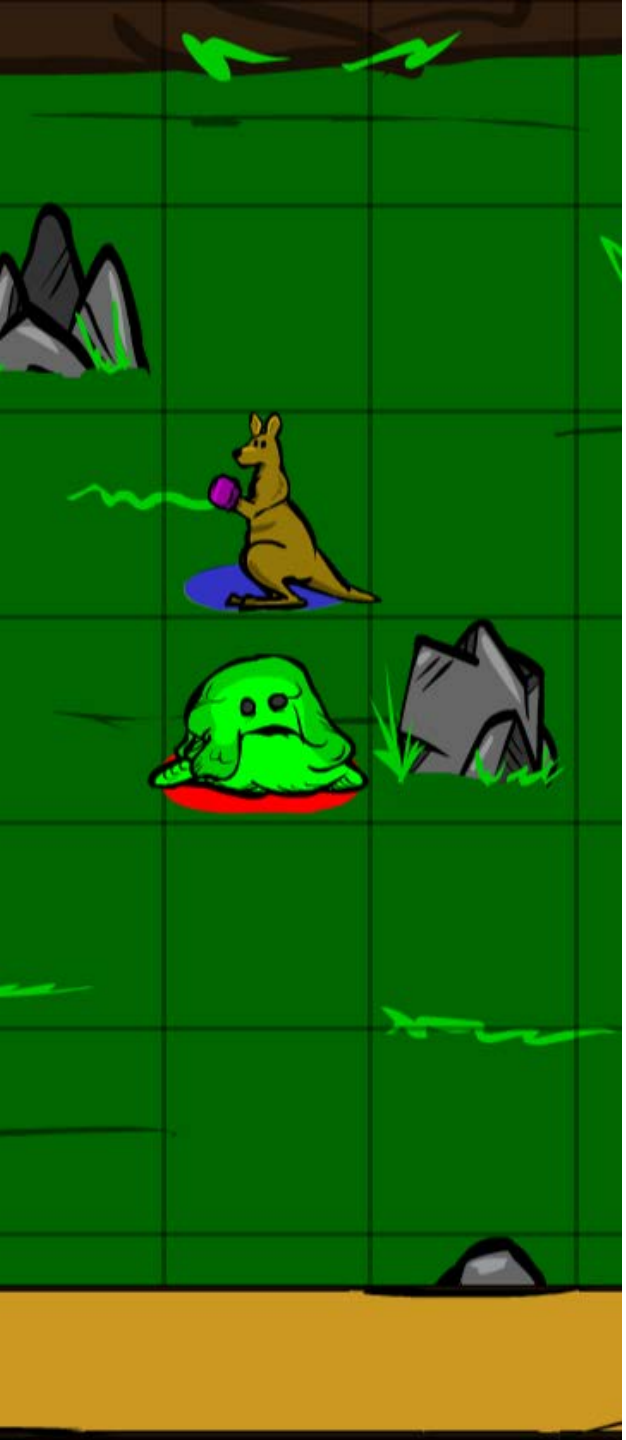

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Analytics-driven Game Design

Lecture 7:

Artificial Intelligence

Alpha Prototype

- Thursday, October 1st
- Three playable levels

Artificial Intelligence!

The Dream

AI

Play games automatically

Procedural Content Generation

Design games automatically

What makes an AI good?

What are examples of good AI?

Today

- Scripts
- Planning
- Pathfinding

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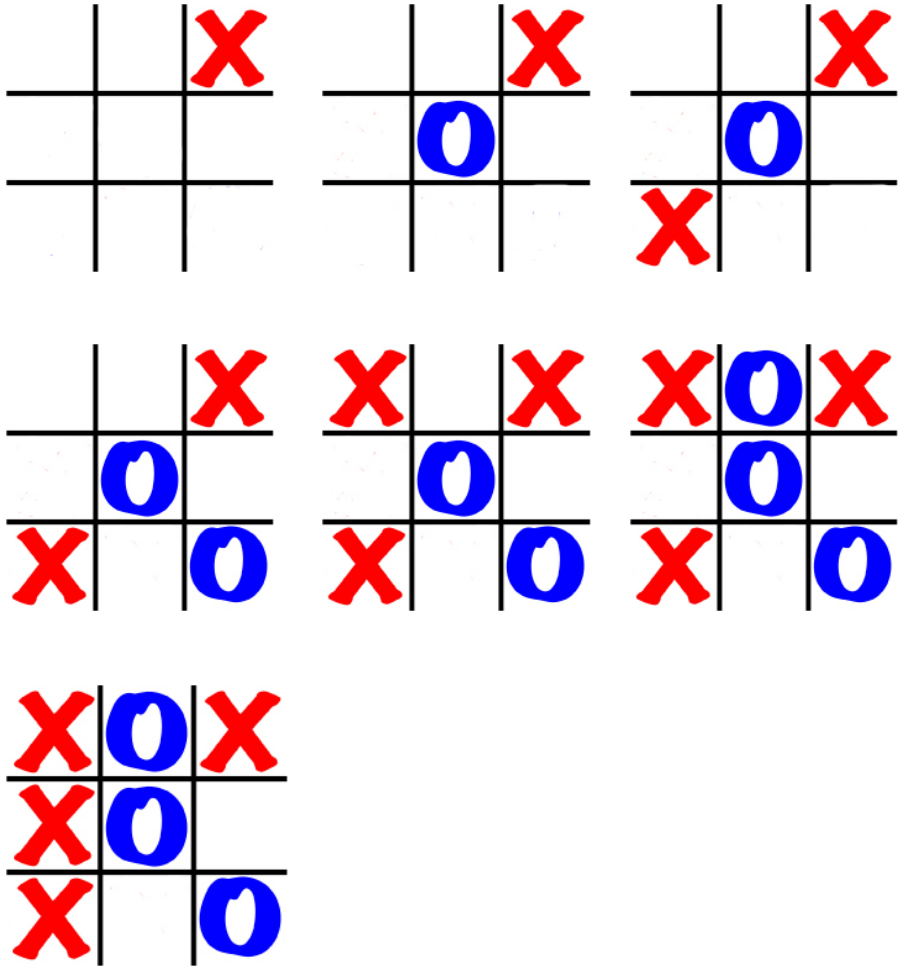
Scripts

1. **IF** <condition is true> **THEN** <perform action>
2. **IF** <condition is true> **THEN** <perform action>
3. **IF** <condition is true> **THEN** <perform action>

Example: Tic Tac Toe

1. If I can win, win
2. If opponent can win, prevent it
3. If center is available, take it
4. If corner is available, take it



Doom II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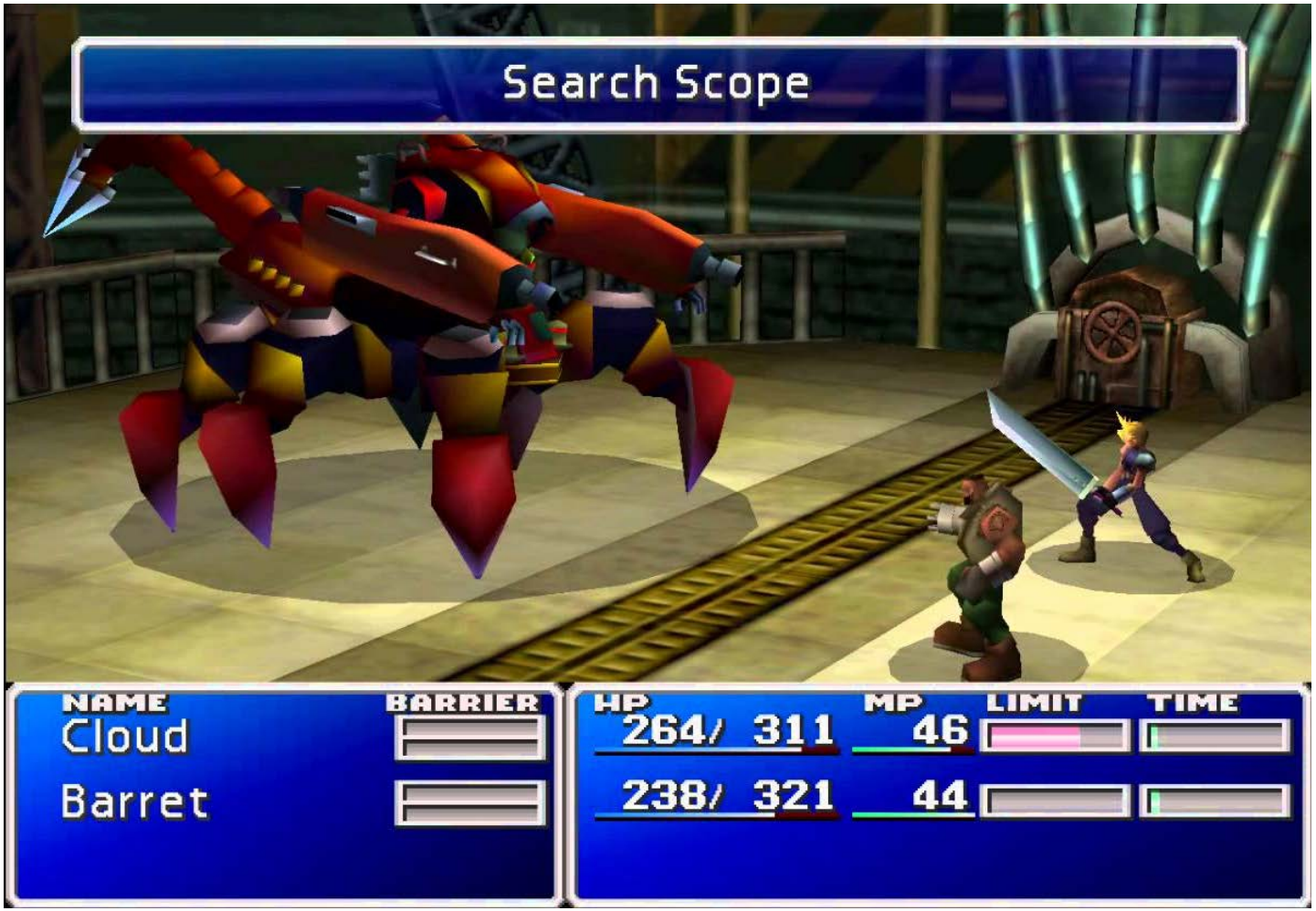
50
AMMO
43%
HEALTH
2 3 4
5 6 7
ARMS
0%
ARMOR
BULL 50 / 200
SHEL 0 / 50
RCKT 0 / 50
CELL 0 / 300

Final Fantasy VII



Final Fantasy VII

- **If (Count == 0 OR Count == 2) Then**
  - SelectedTarget = random opponent
  - Use Search Scope on SelectedTarget
  - Count = Count + 1
- **If (Count == 1 OR Count == 3) Then**
  - With probability 2/3:
    - If Self HP < (Self Max HP / 2) Then
      - Use Scorpion Tail on SelectedTarget
    - Else
      - Use Rifle on SelectedTarget
  - With 1/3 Chance:
    - Use Scorpion Tail on SelectedTarget
  - Count = Count + 1

“Cheating”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170/184
Click: Select Unit
Shift+Click: Deselect Unit
Ctrl+Click: Select Unit Type
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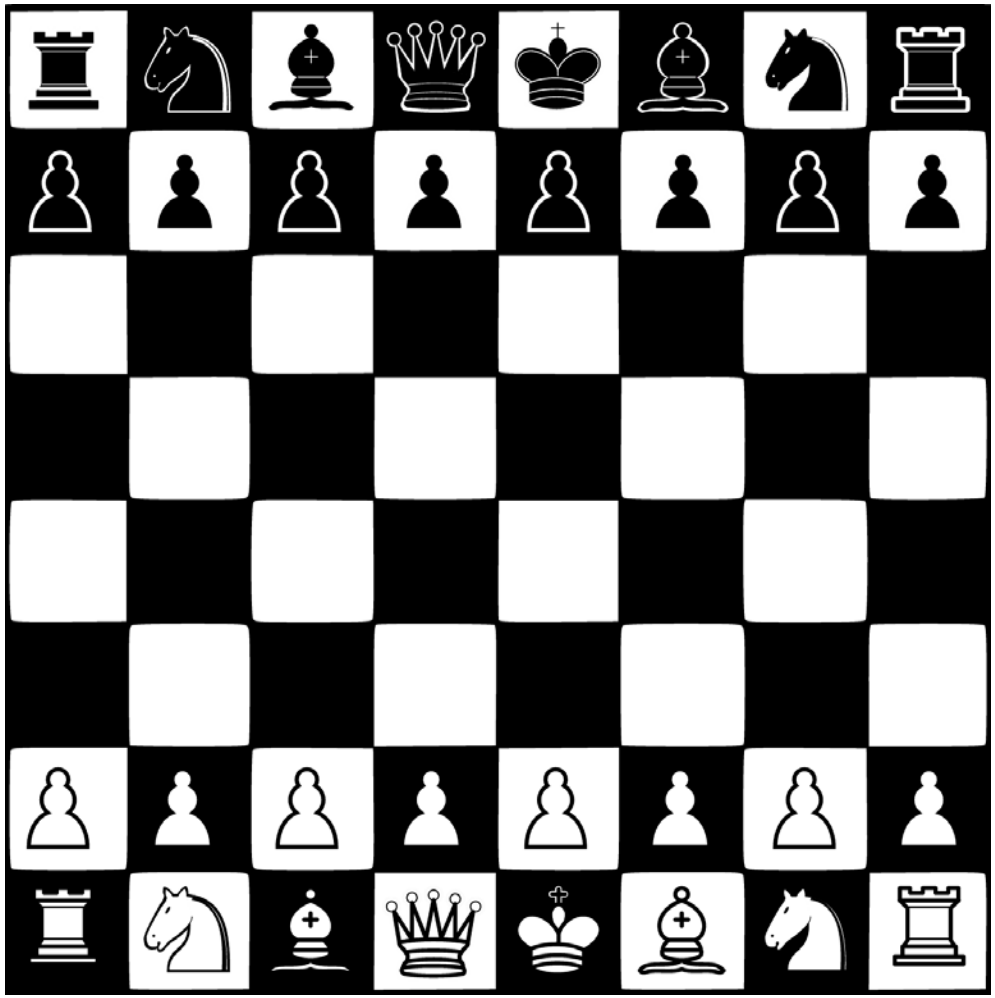
Advantages/Disadvantages

- Easy to implement
- Can express complex behaviors
- “Smart” behavior can be ***very*** complex
- Not so scalable
- No natural way to vary difficulty



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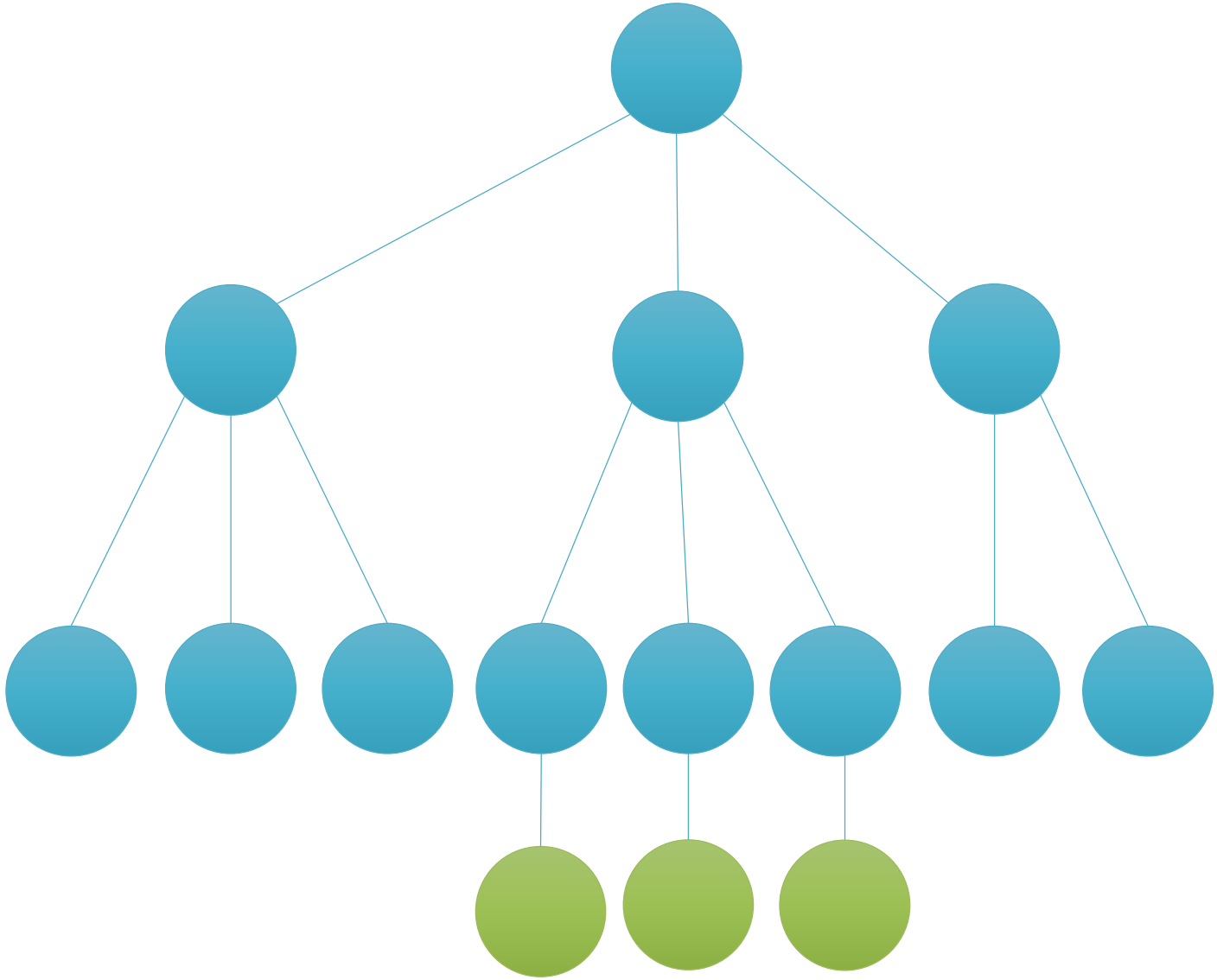
Adversarial Search

Now

I move

Opponent moves

I move



Importance of search depth in Chess

- Novice: ~4
- Master: ~8
- Grandmaster: ~12
- Deep Blue: 6 – 40

Advantages/Disadvantages

- Potentially ***much*** smarter
- Natural way to vary difficulty
- State-space explosion
- Game must have certain properties
- Unclear what to do if you can’t “see” the end

Heuristics: Chess

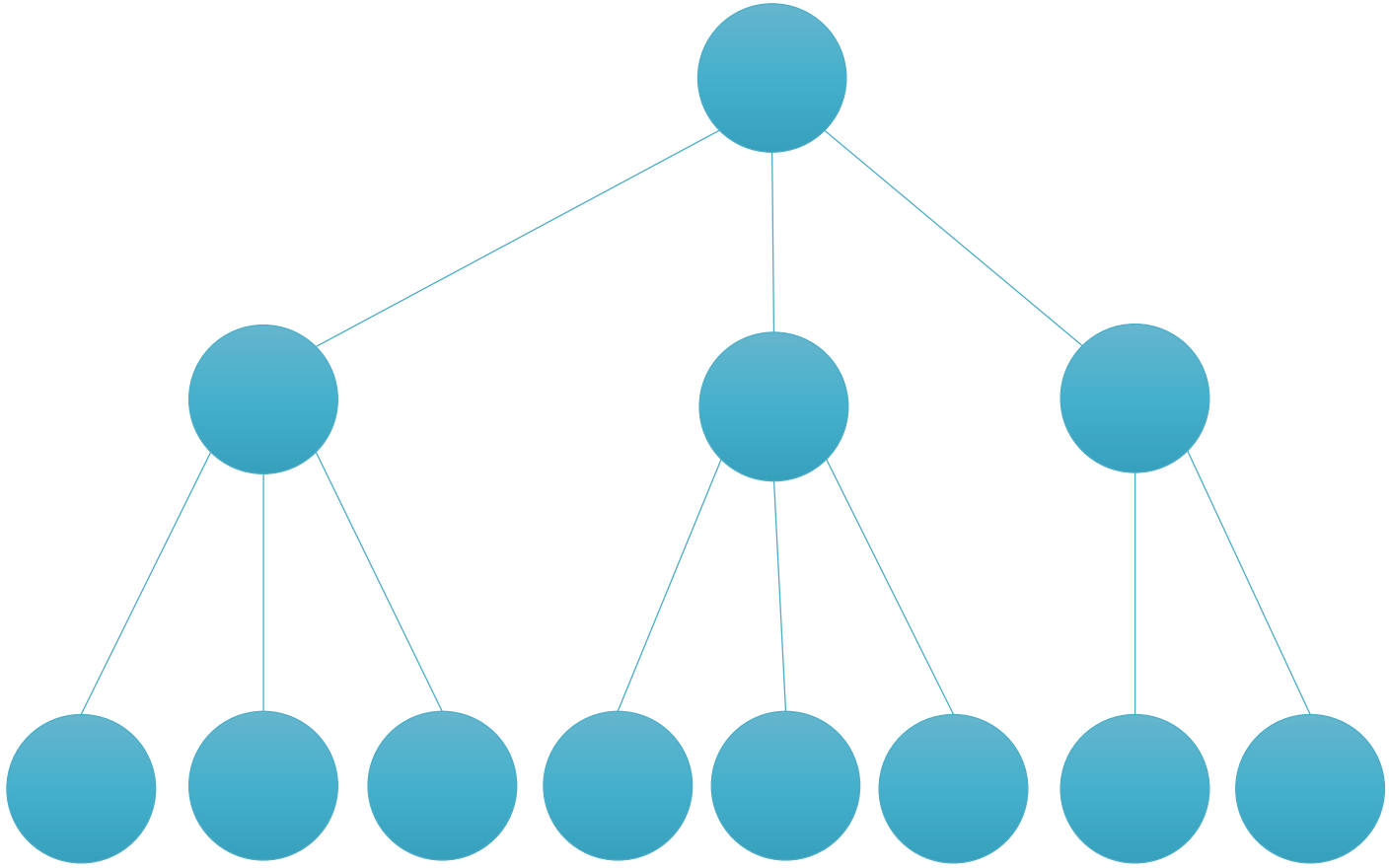
- Pawn: 1 point
- Knight & Bishop: 3 points
- Rook: 5 points
- Queen: 11 points

Heuristic Planning

Now

I move

Opponent moves



Heuristic Planning

Now

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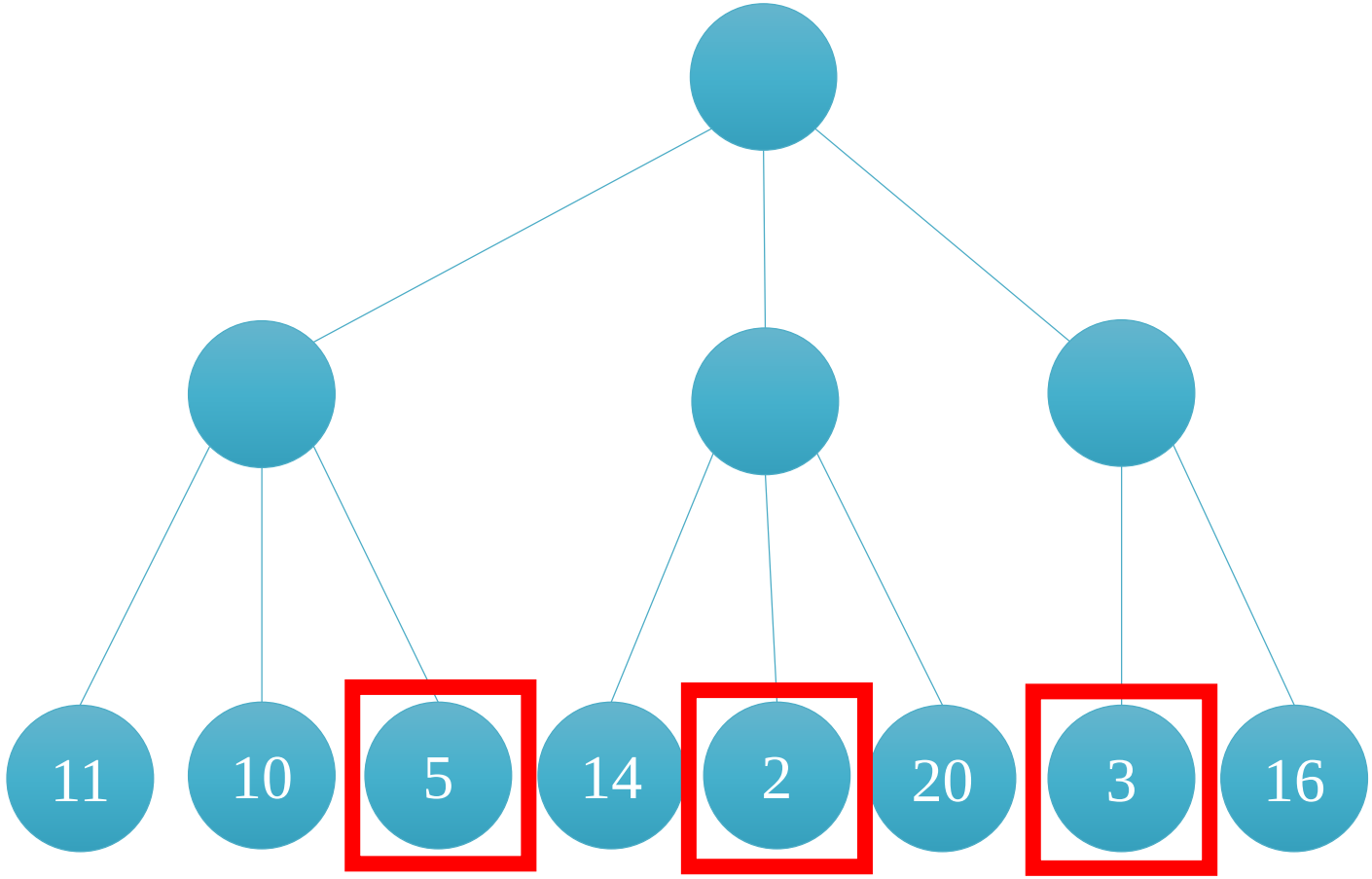
Opponent moves



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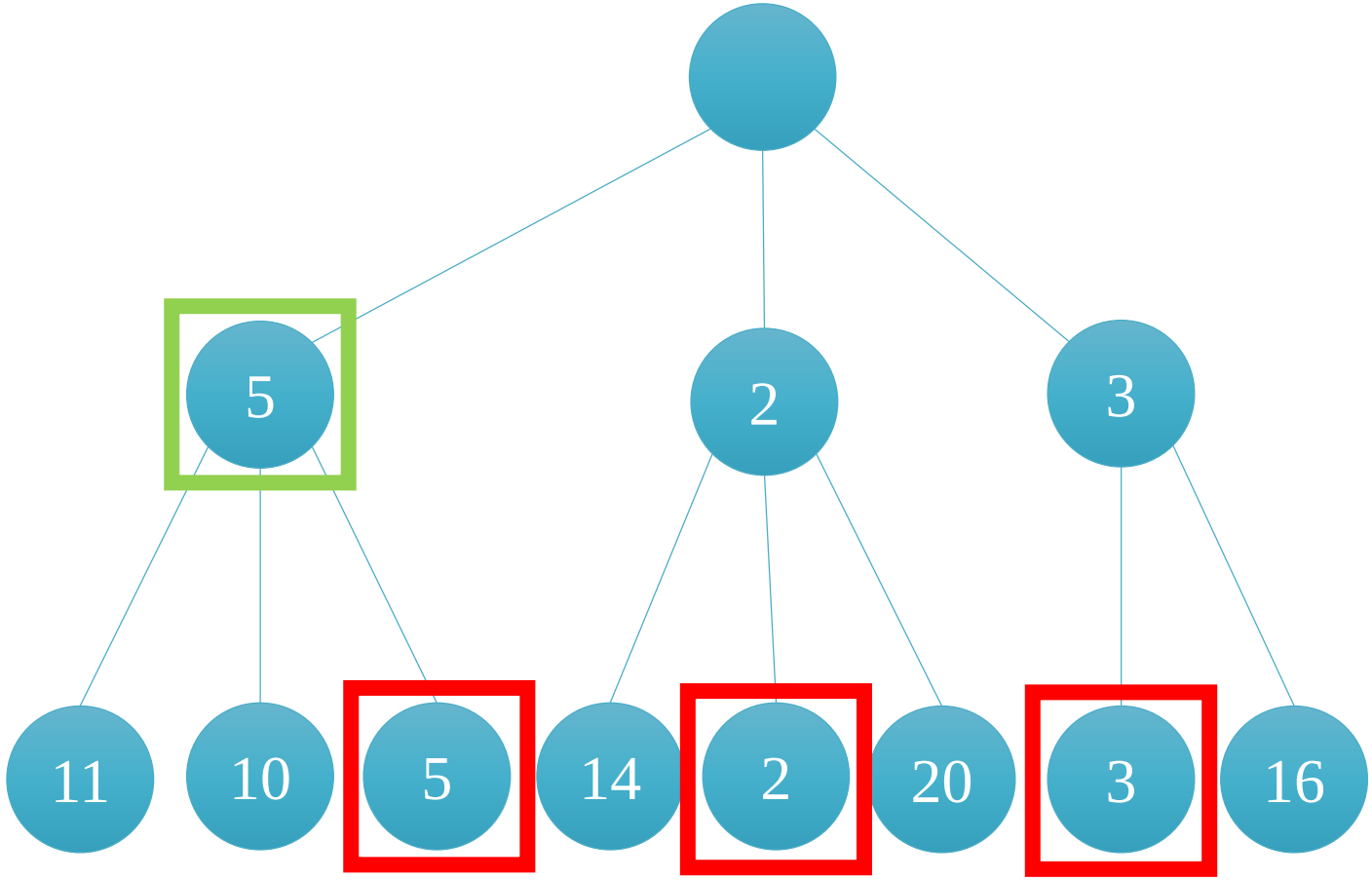

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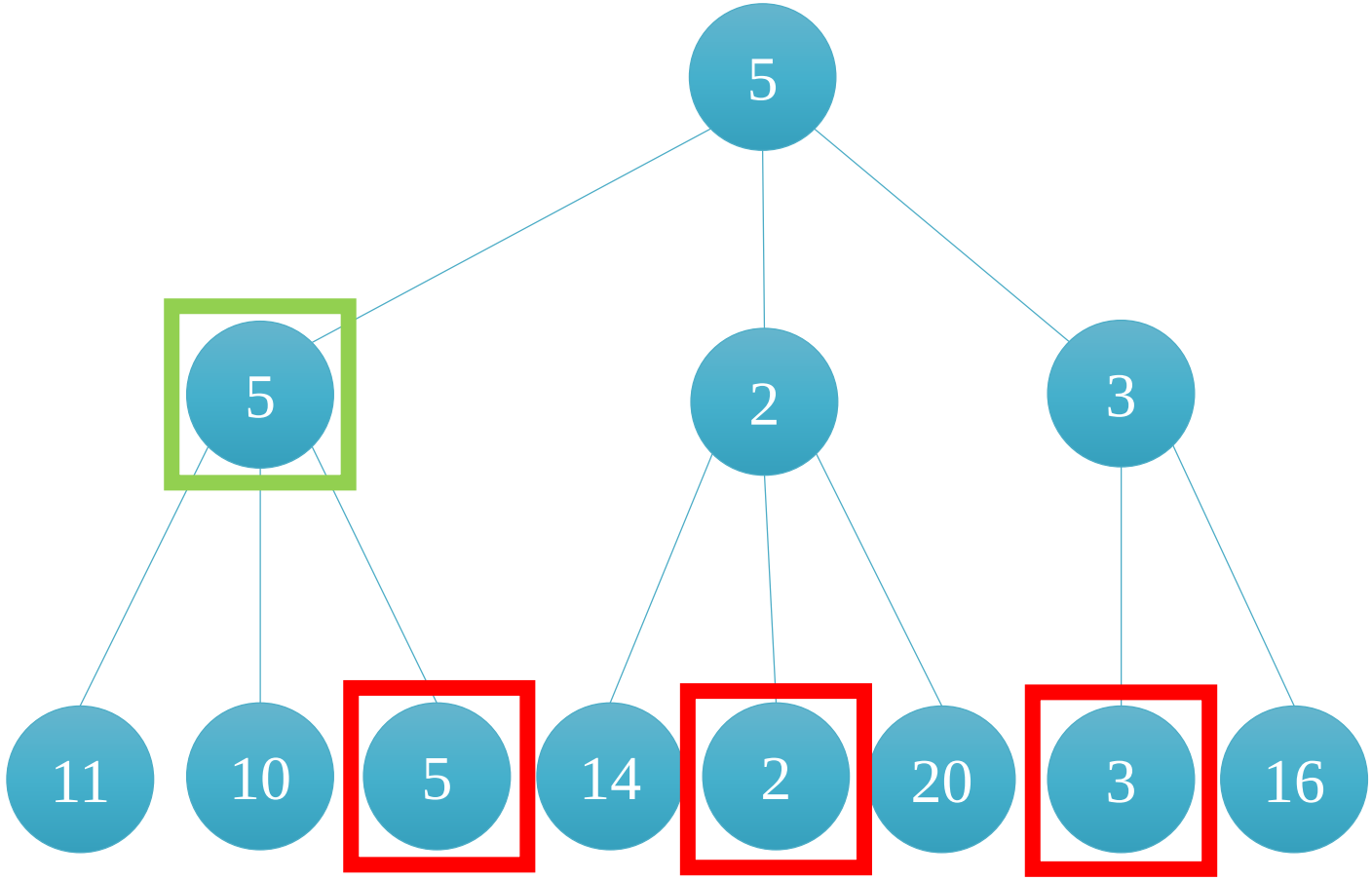
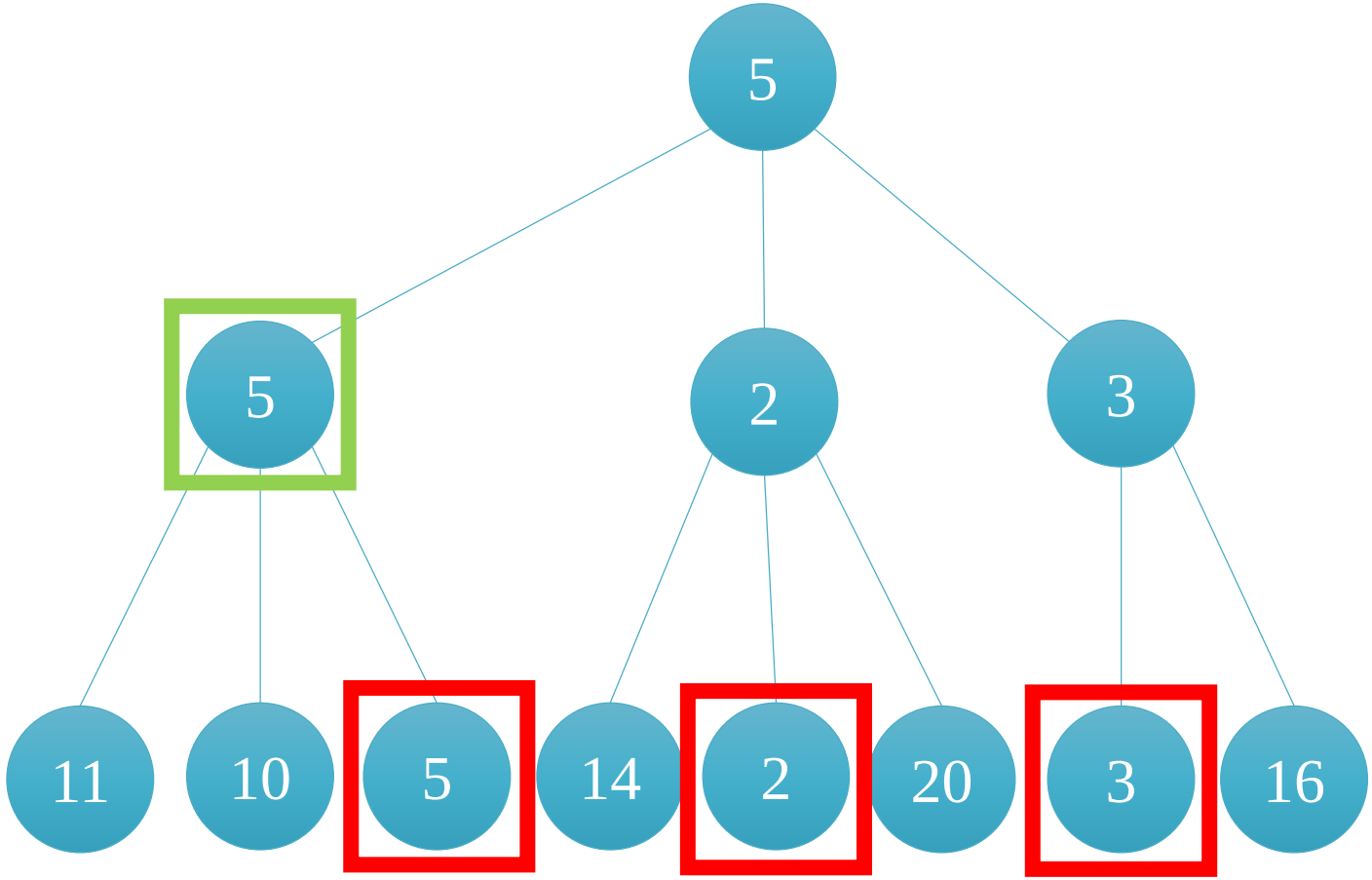


Minimax

MAX

MIN



Advantages/Disadvantages

Scalable

Can be rational without “seeing” the endgame

Strength depends a lot on the heuristic

Still only works for some games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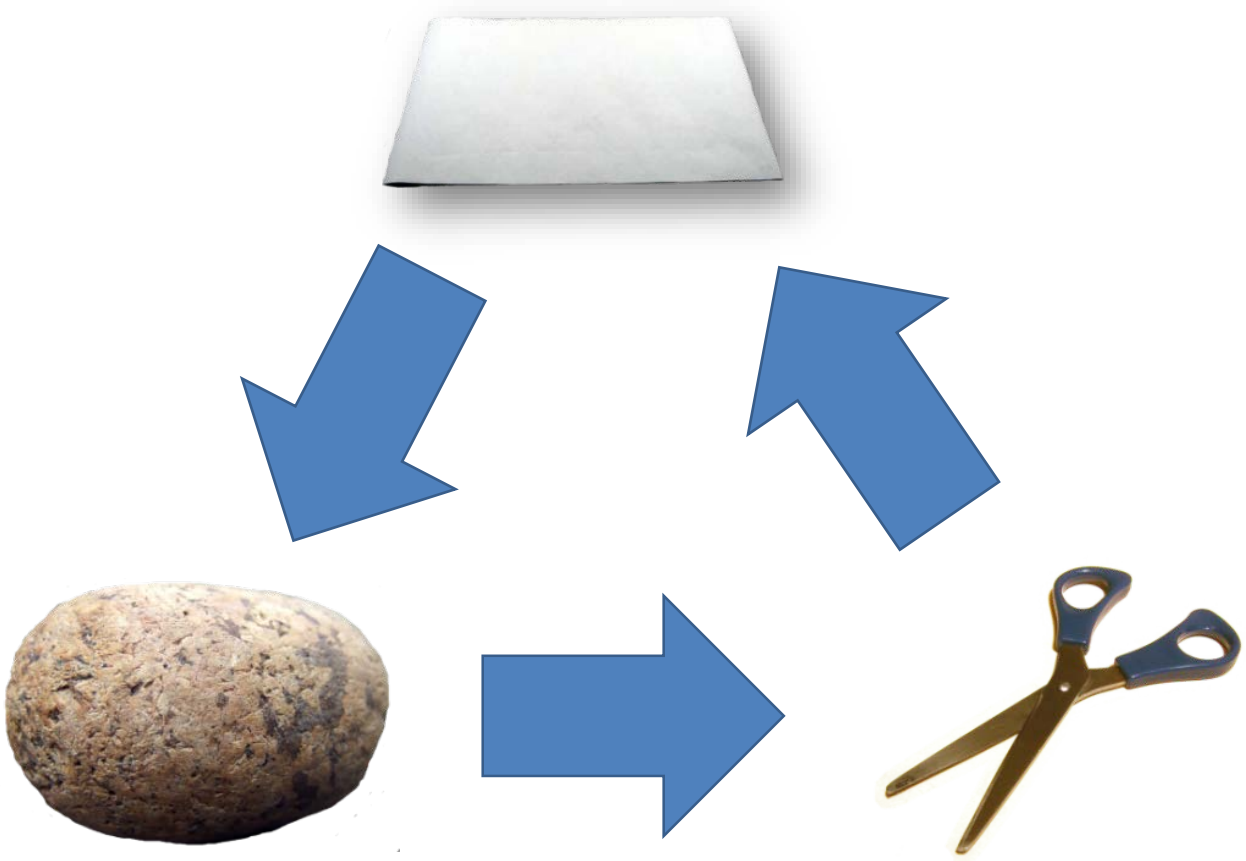
Simultaneous Actions



A beats B beats C beats A

Heimerdinger is Weak Against


Syndra
Mid | 5,806 | 1,597 | 6 Comments | Tips


Ziggs
General | 2,814 | 1,364 | 3 Comments | Tips


Lux
Mid | 2,320 | 1,095 | 2 Comments | Tips


Xerath
Mid | 1,621 | 593 | 2 Comments | Tips


Vel'Koz
General | 1,920 | 958 | 3 Comments | Tips


Malzahar
Mid | 1,264 | 499 | 1 Comments | Tips

Heimerdinger is Strong Against


Kassadin
Mid | 3,518 | 1,413 | 2 Comments | Tips


Katarina
Mid | 3,233 | 1,263 | 2 Comments | Tips


Diana
Mid | 2,573 | 1,294 | 4 Comments | Tips


Fizz
Mid | 1,925 | 1,158 | 0 Comments | Tips

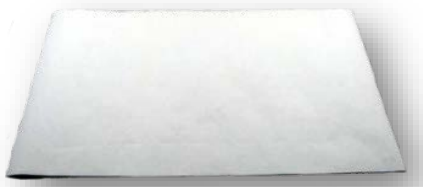

Akali
Mid | 1,608 | 868 | 2 Comments | Tips

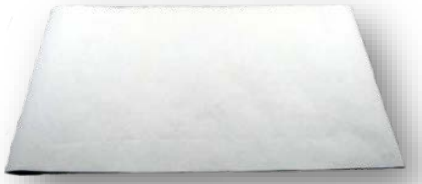

LeBlanc
Mid | 1,522 | 785 | 0 Comments | Tips

A beats B beats C beats A

Opponent always plays rock…

Opponent plays…





Idea: Mixed Strategy

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Idea: Mixed Strategy

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$\frac{1}{3}$

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$\frac{2}{3}$

Idea: Mixed Strategy

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$\frac{2}{3}$ 0

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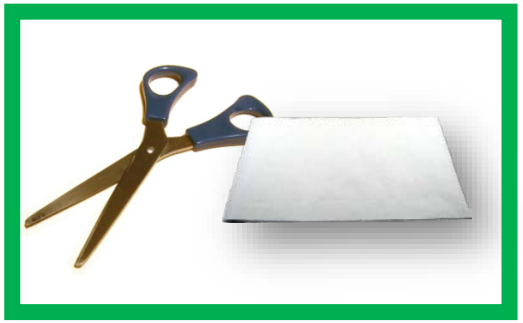
Evaluating a strategy

- Idea: compute the ***expected reward*** for a strategy



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-1

-1

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0	1	-1
-1	0	1
1	-1	0

Reward Matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

0

1

0

$\frac{2}{3}$

$\frac{1}{3}$

0

Expected Reward

= probability of event_1 * reward of event_1

+ probability of event_2 * reward of event_2

+ probability of event_3 * reward of event_3

…

Expected Reward

$=p_{me}(\text{rock})\times p_{you}(\text{rock})\times R(\text{rock, rock})$

$+p_{me}(\text{rock})\times p_{you}(\text{paper})\times R(\text{rock, paper})$

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0

1

0

$\frac{2}{3}$

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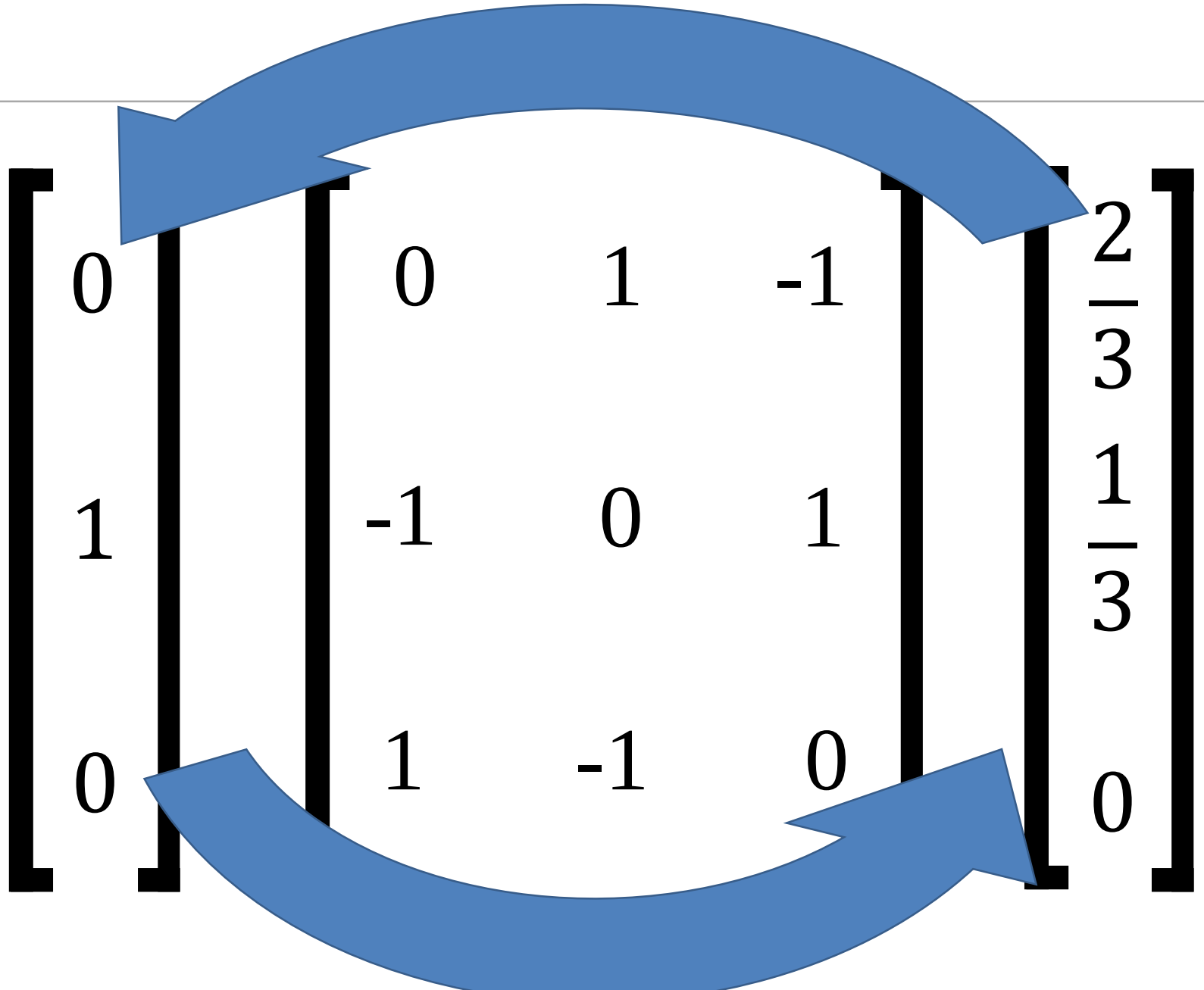
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1/3
0

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$$\pi_{you}{}^{T}$$

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$$\pi_{me}$$

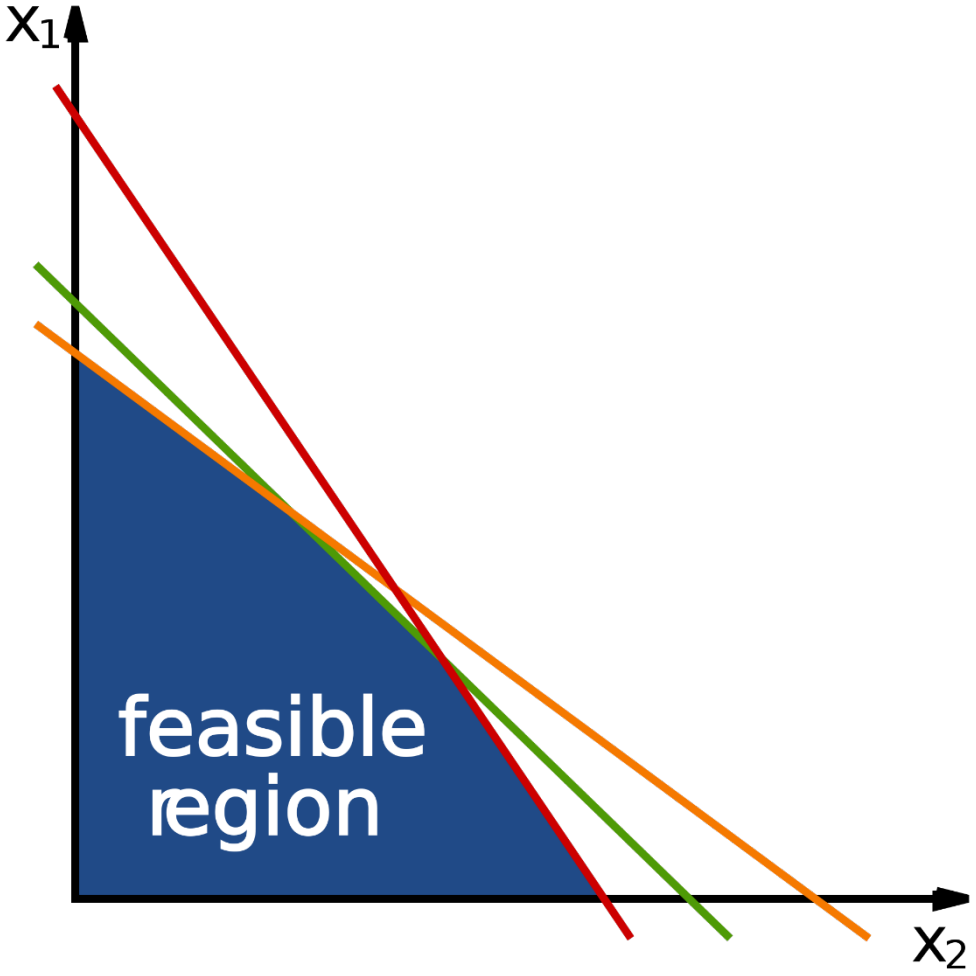
Expected Reward

$$reward = \pi_{you}{}^{T} \boldsymbol{R} \pi_{me}$$

Minimax!

$$\max_{\pi_{me}} \left(\min_{\pi_{you}} \pi_{you}{}^{T} \boldsymbol{R} \pi_{me} \right)$$

Linear Programming



Calculating Reward

$$\max_{v,\pi} v \quad \text{such that}$$

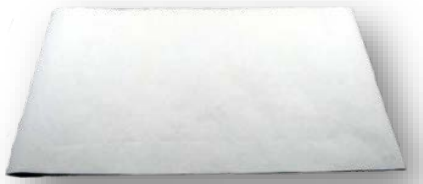
$$\sum_i \pi_i = 1$$

$$\pi \geq \mathbf{0}$$

$$v \leq \boldsymbol{R}\,\pi$$

Optimal Strategy

$\frac{1}{3}$



$\frac{1}{3}$

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Rock Paper Scissors

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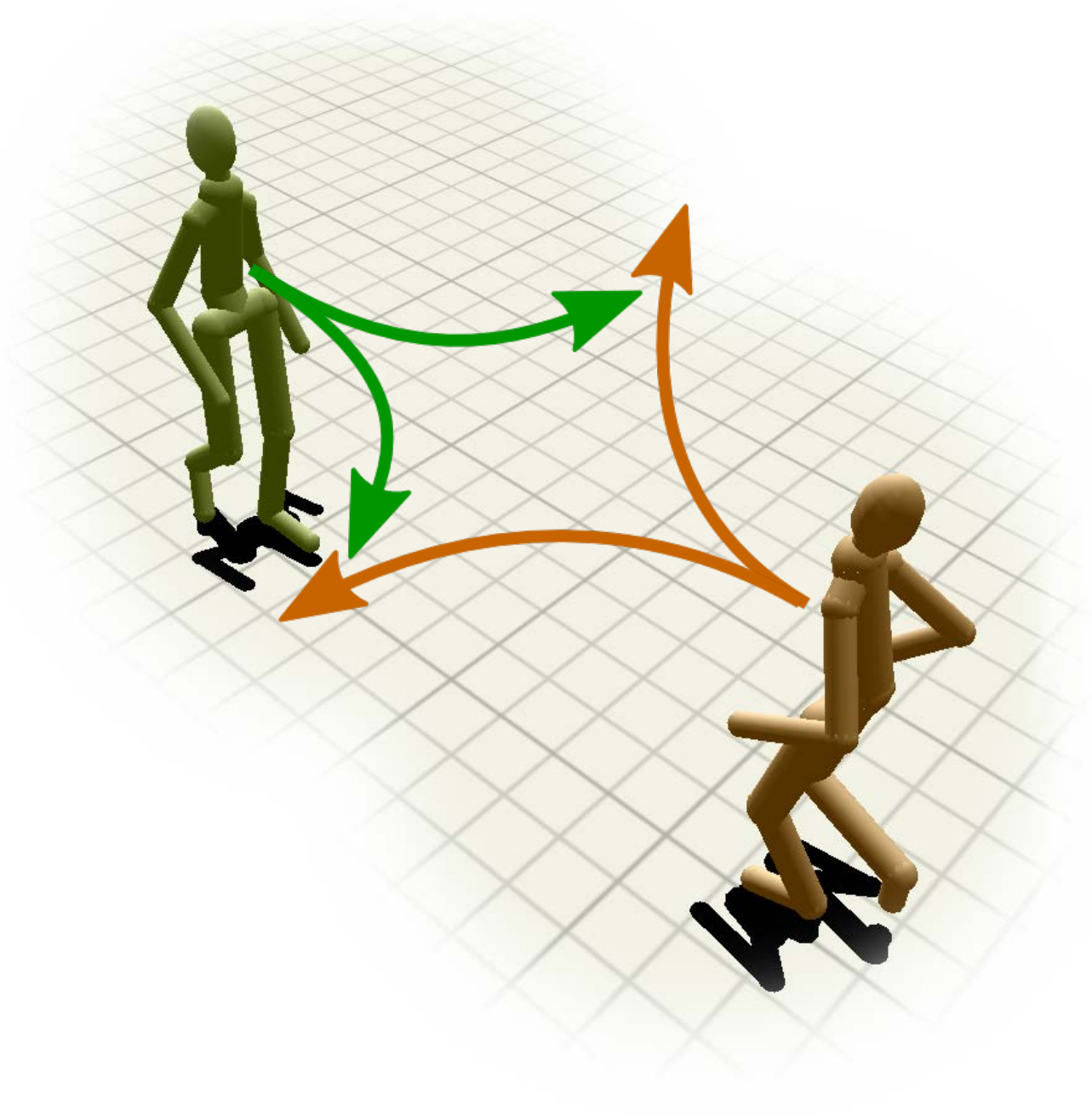

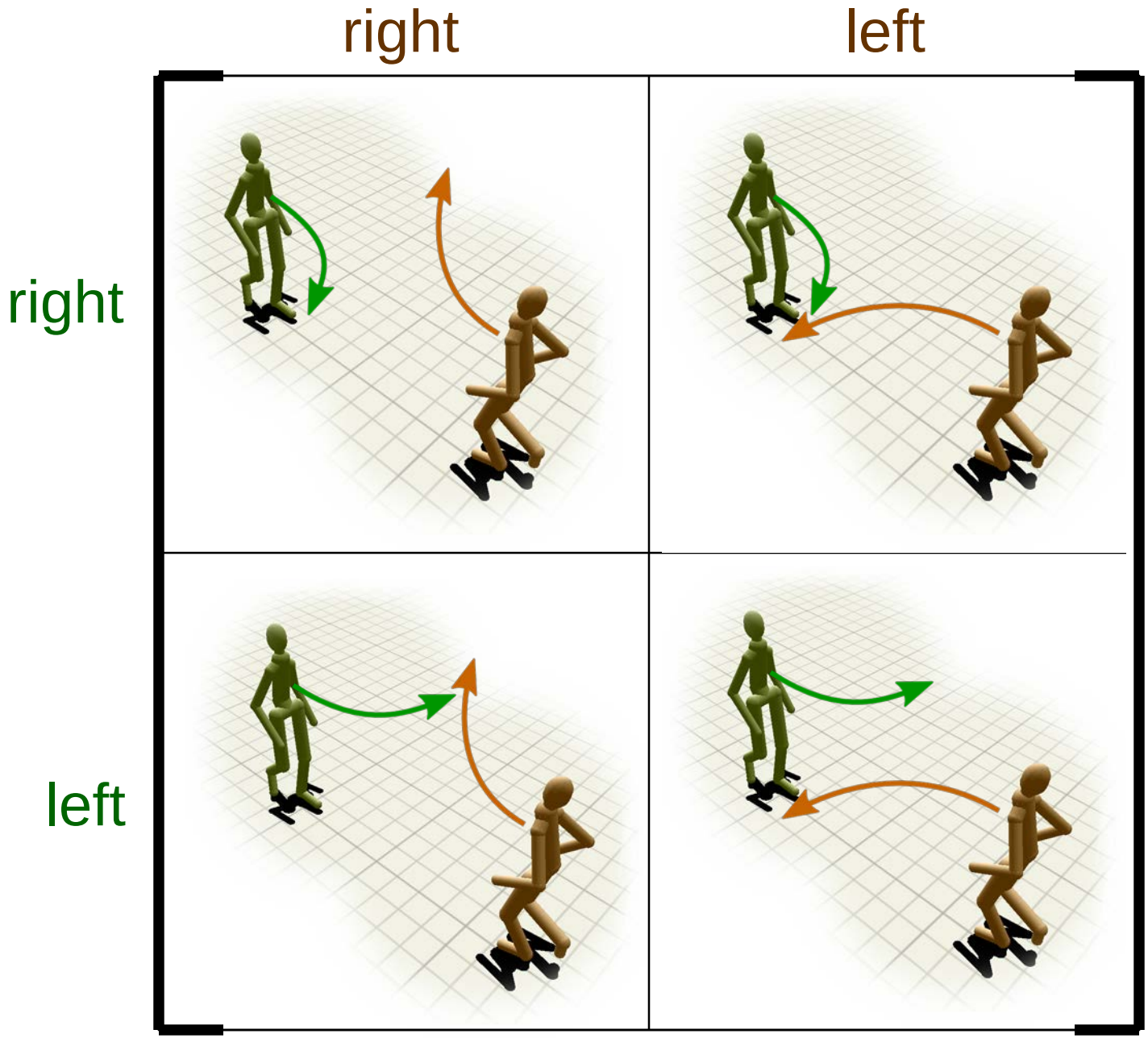
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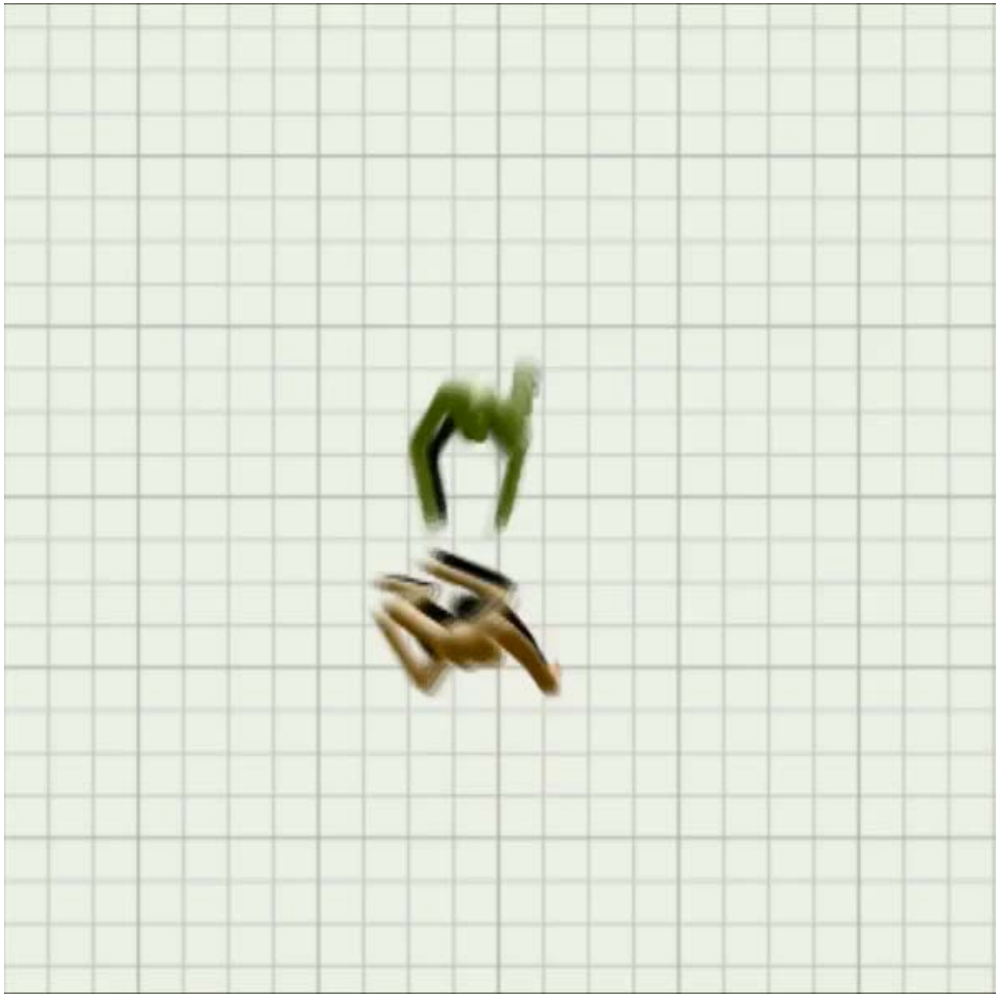
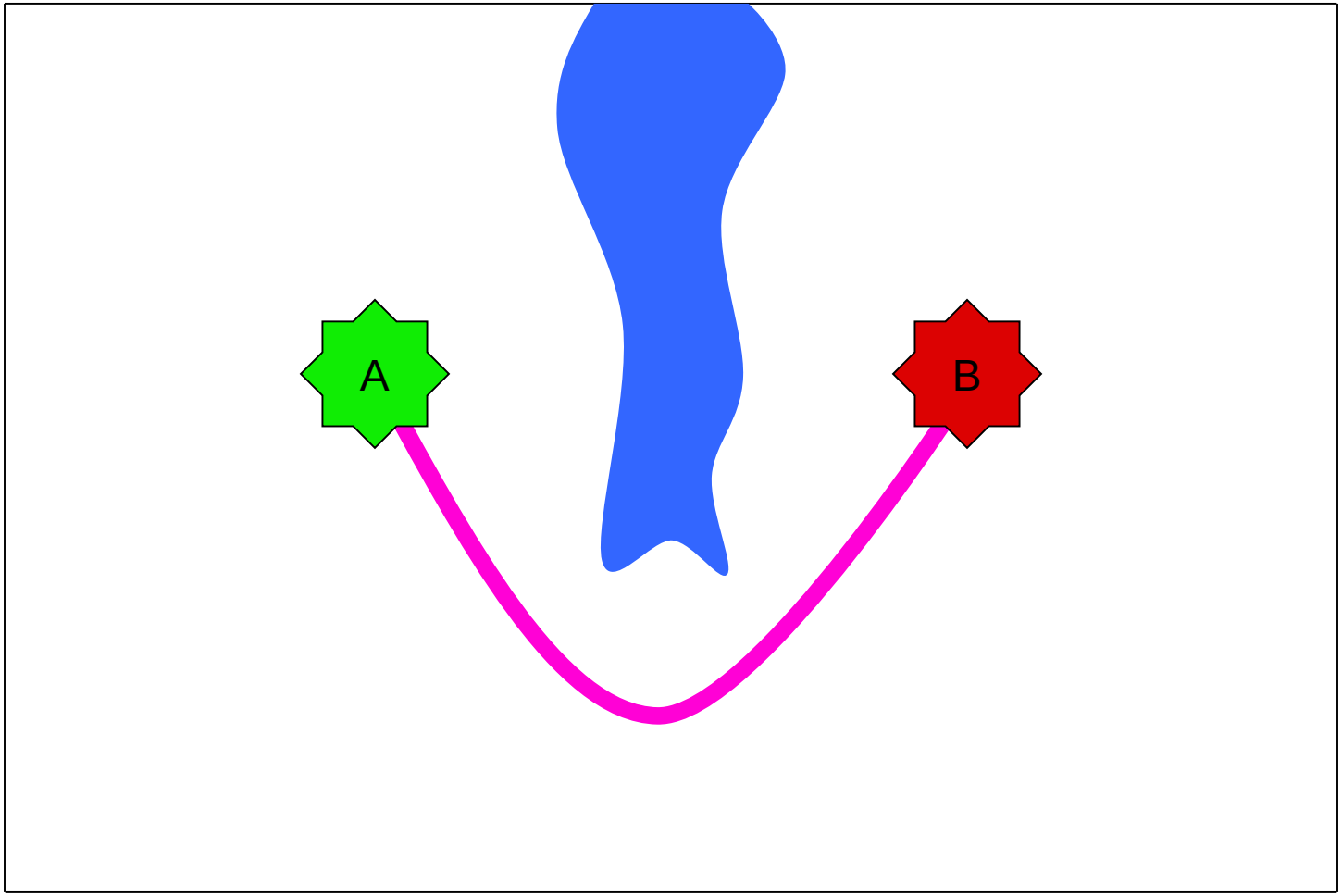
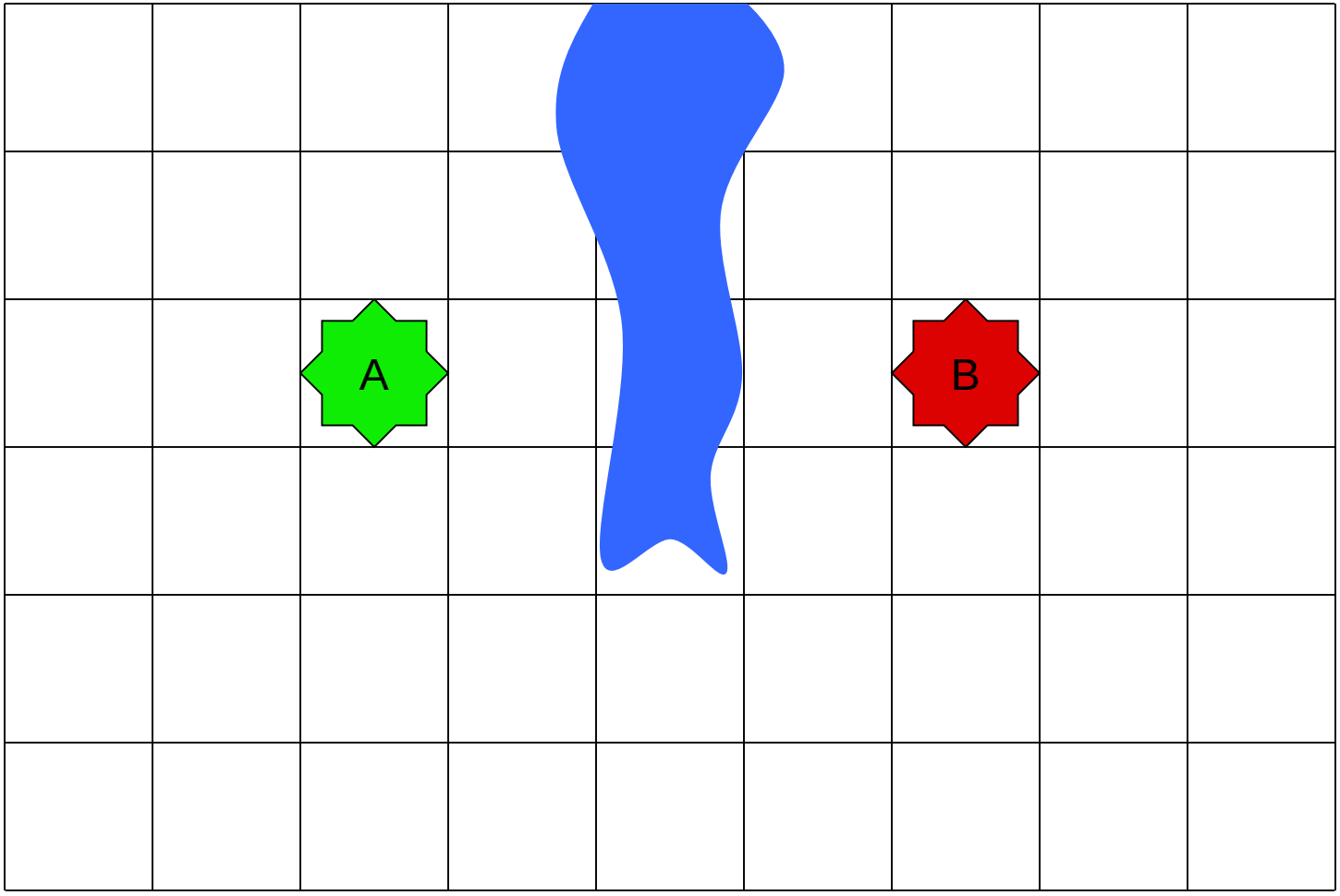


Pathfinding



Make a grid!



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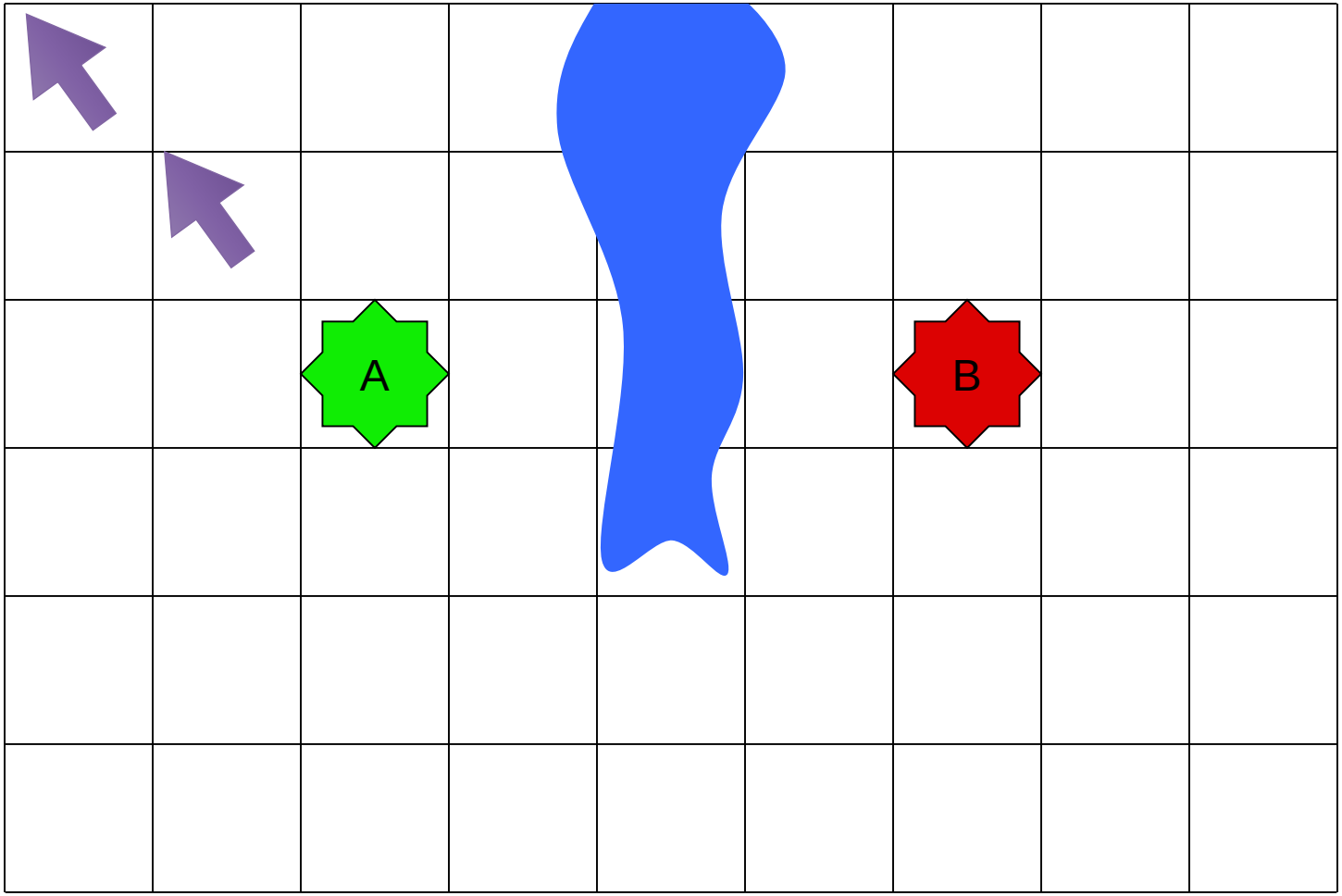
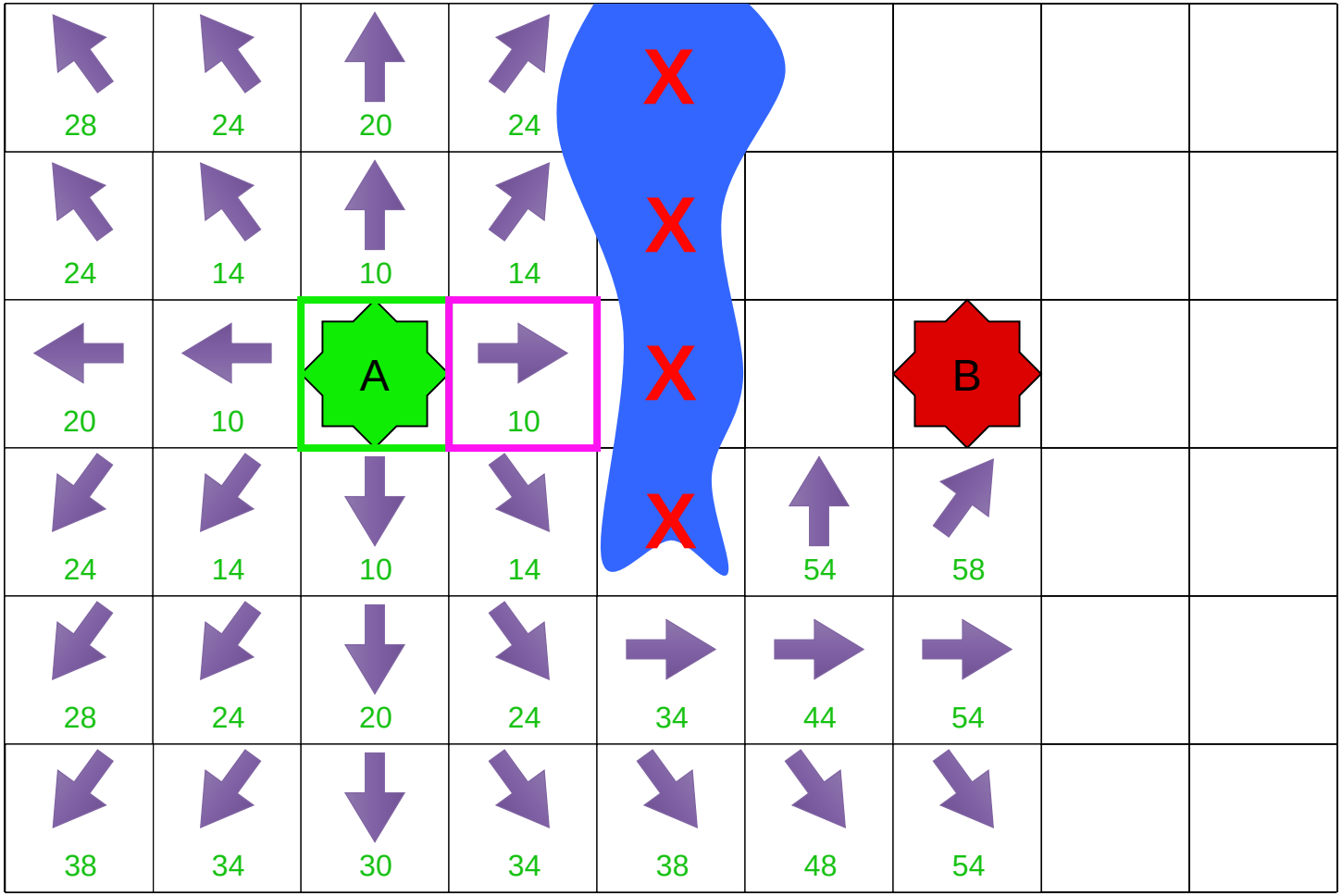


Pathfinding: Breadth-First



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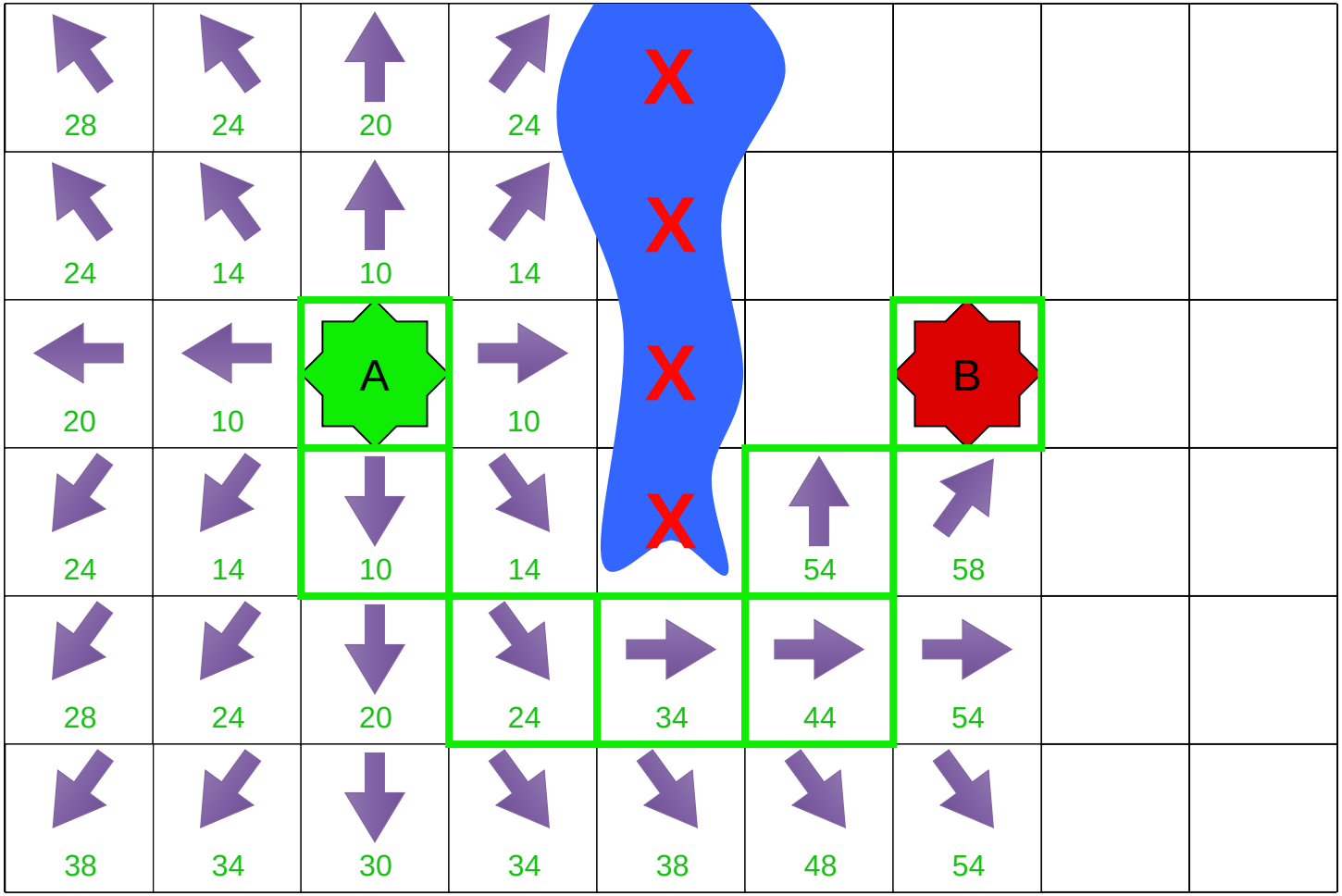
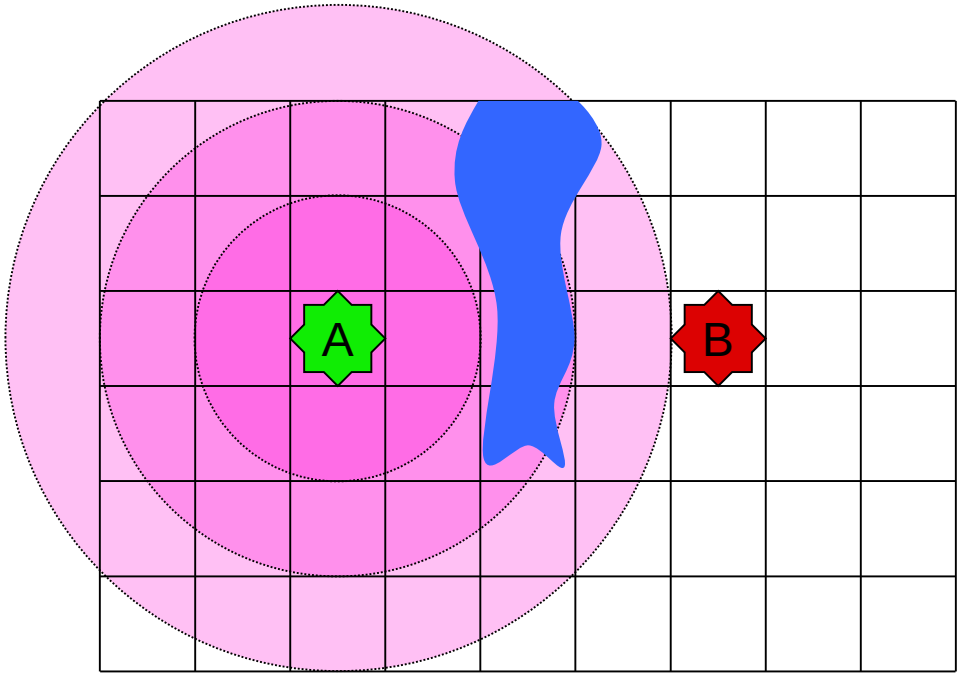


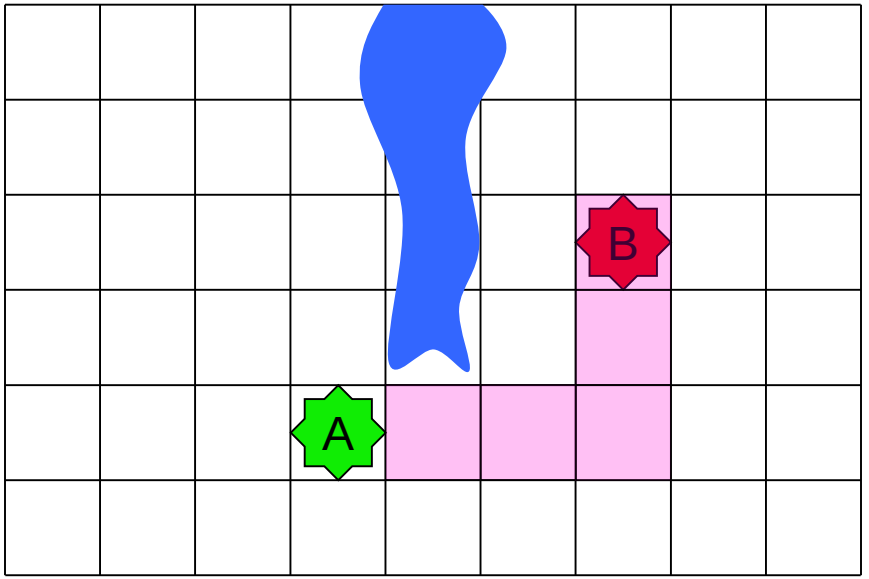
Breadth-First is Slow!



Idea: use heuristics

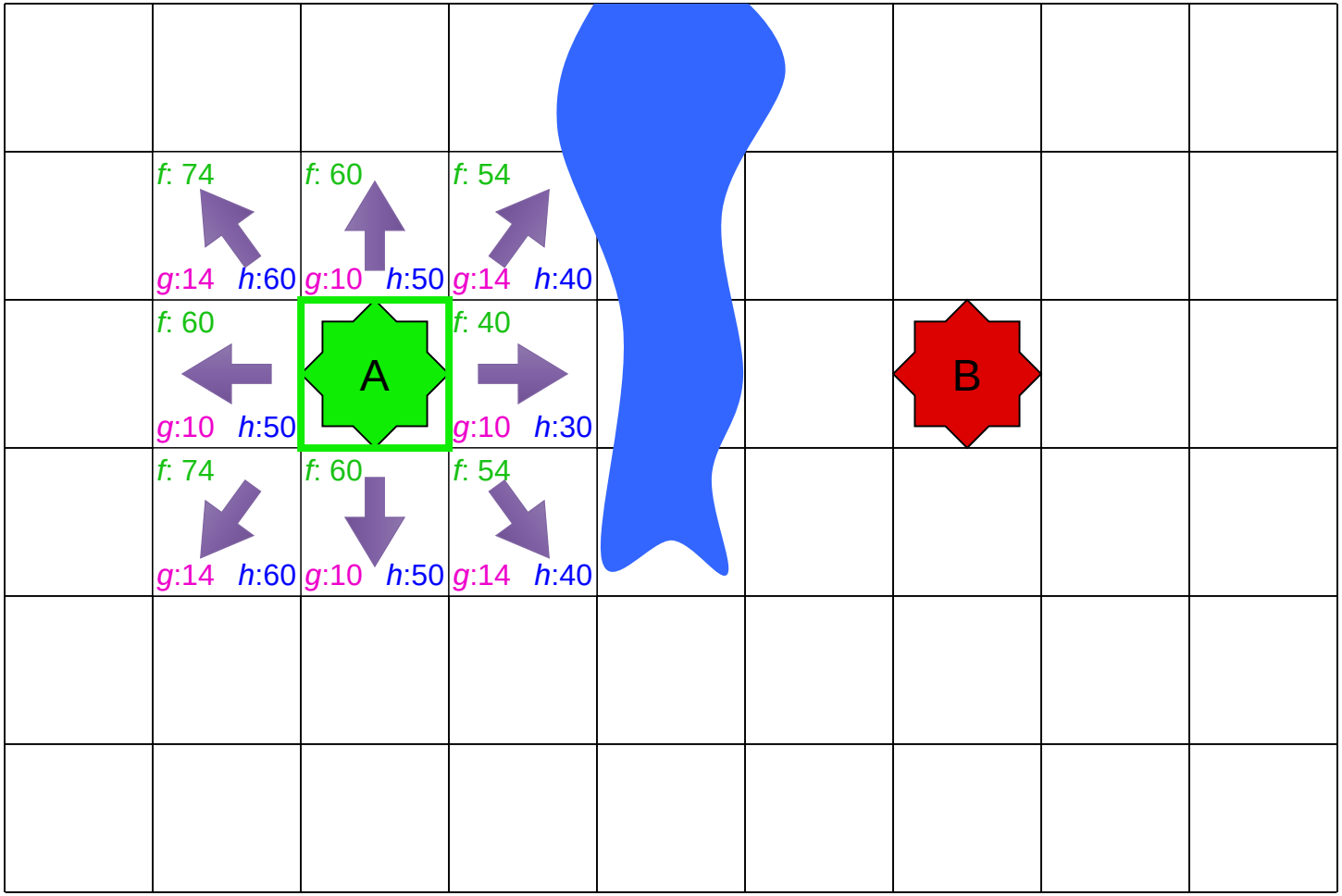
A* Algorithm

- Score $f = g + h$
  - g: distance on **best path**
  - h: naïve distance to **goal**



Manhattan distance = 30+20 = 50

Pathfinding: A* Algorithm



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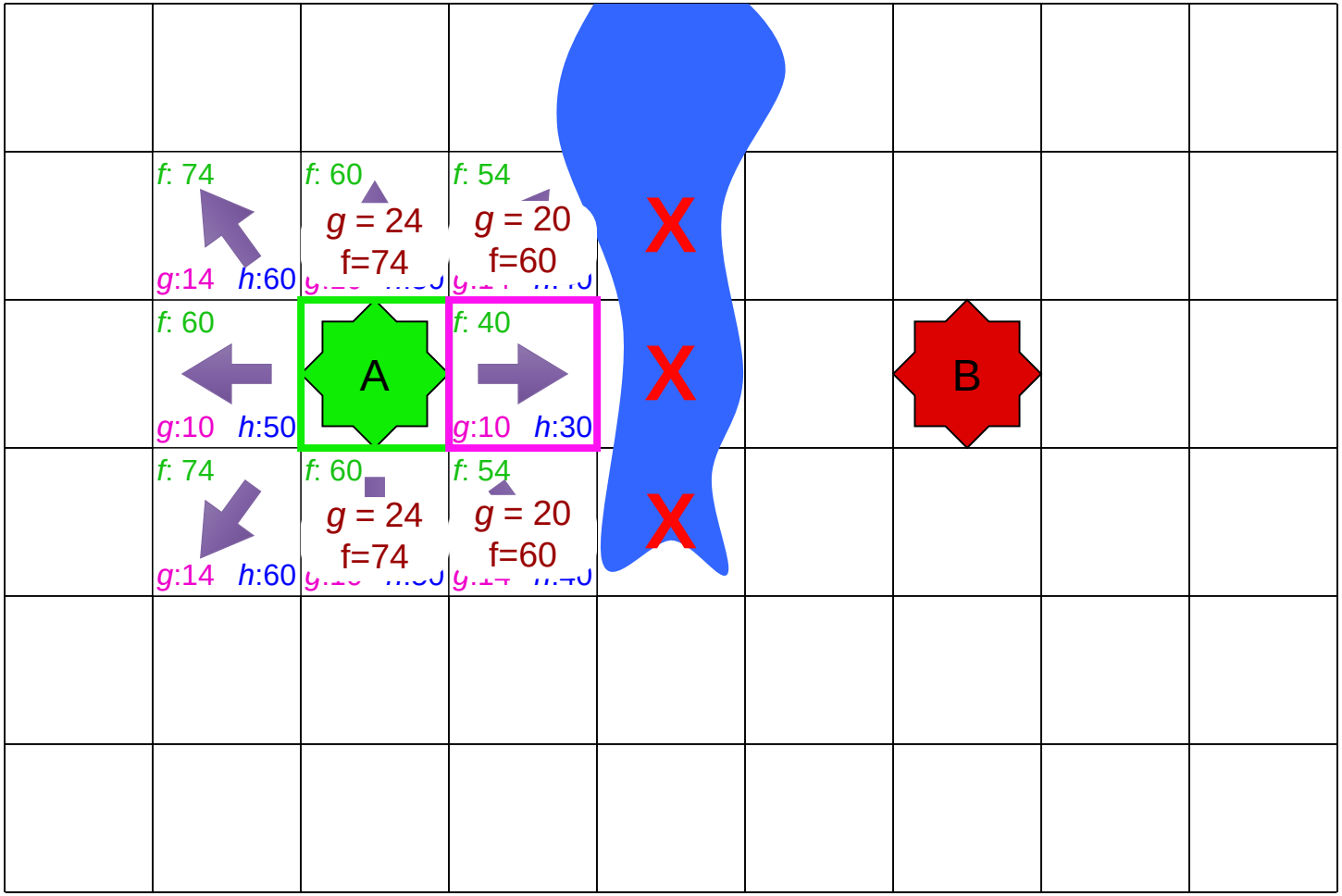

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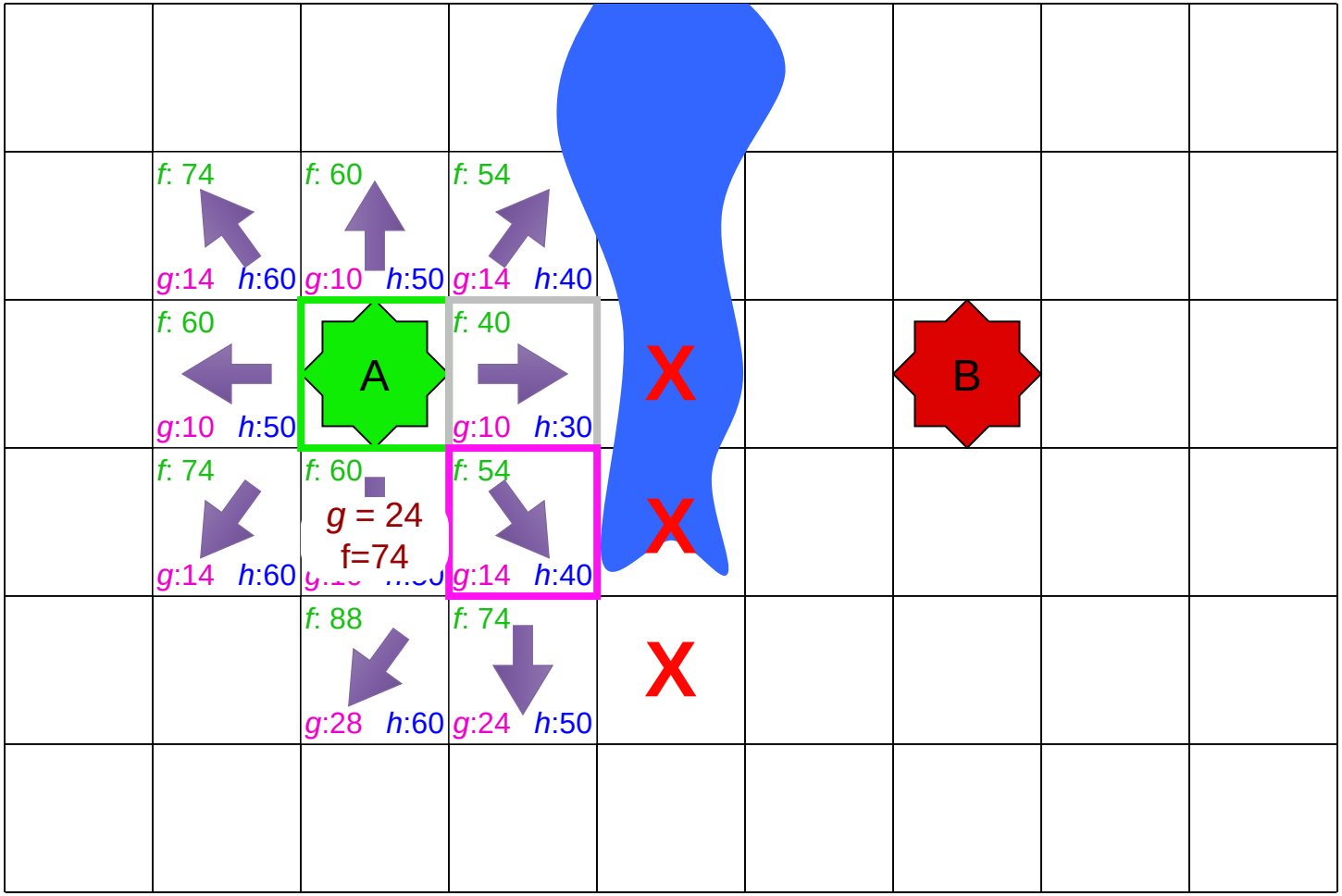

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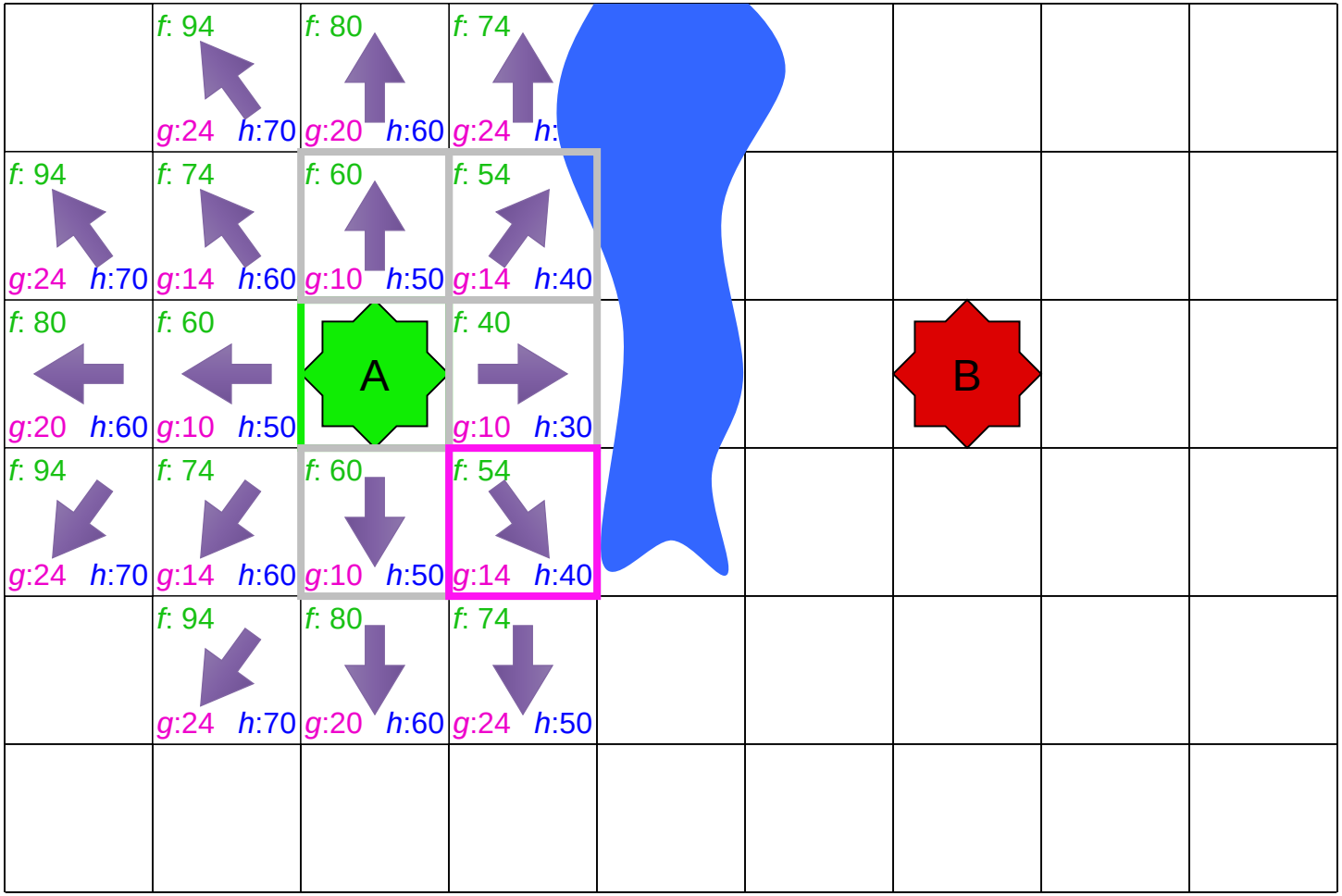

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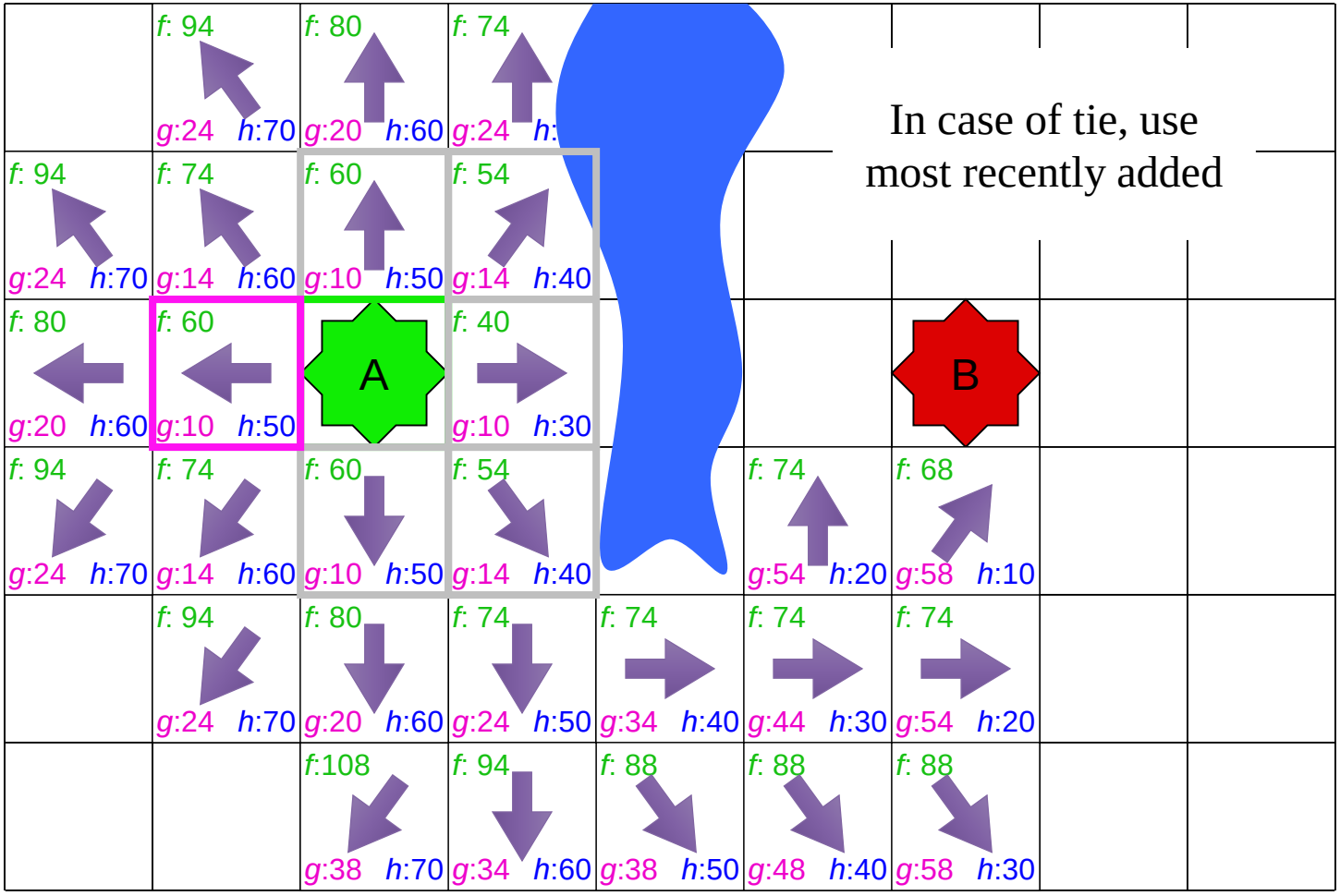

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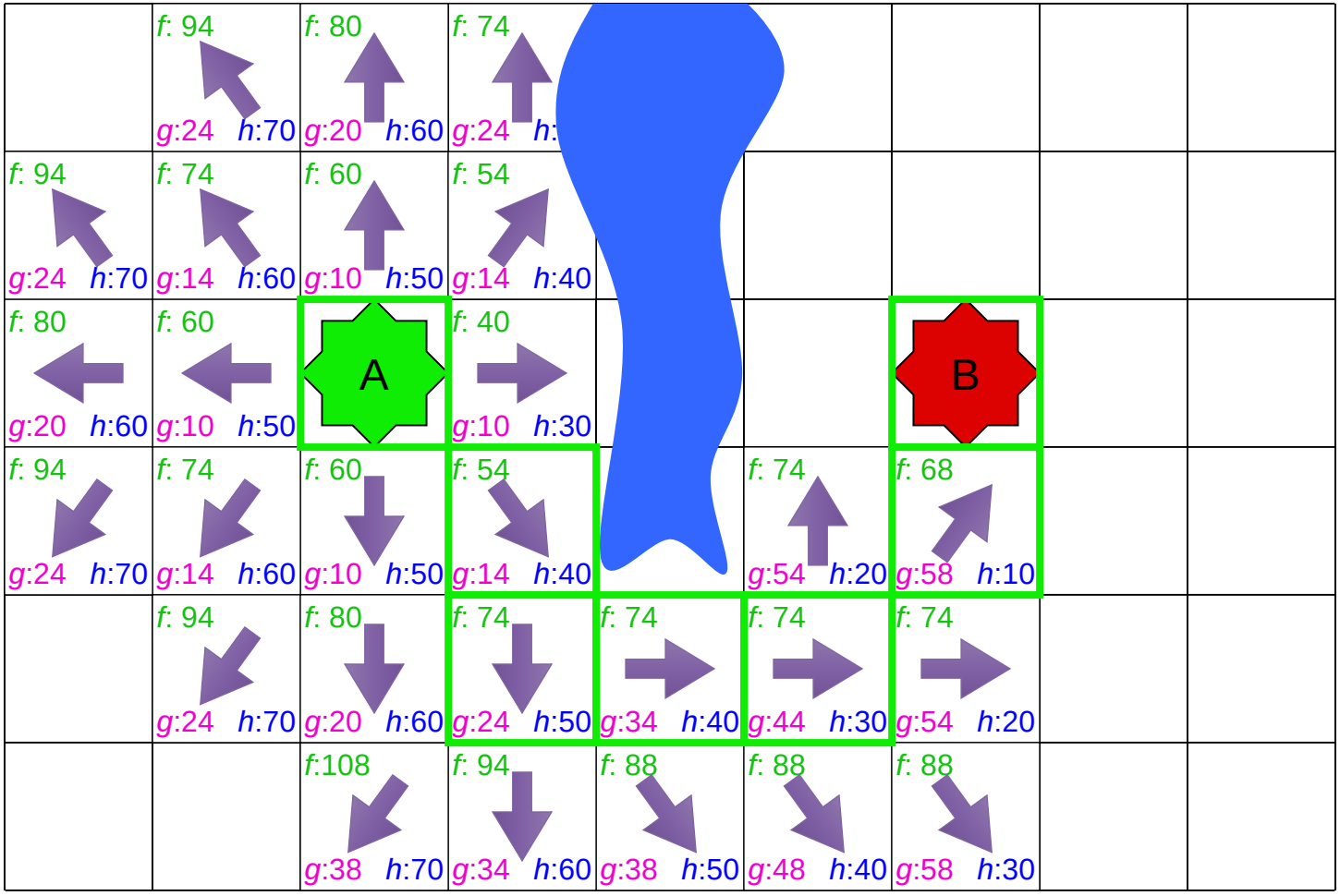

A* Mario


FPS: 24
Attempt: 1 of 1
AStarAgent
Selected Actions:
RIGHT
SPEED


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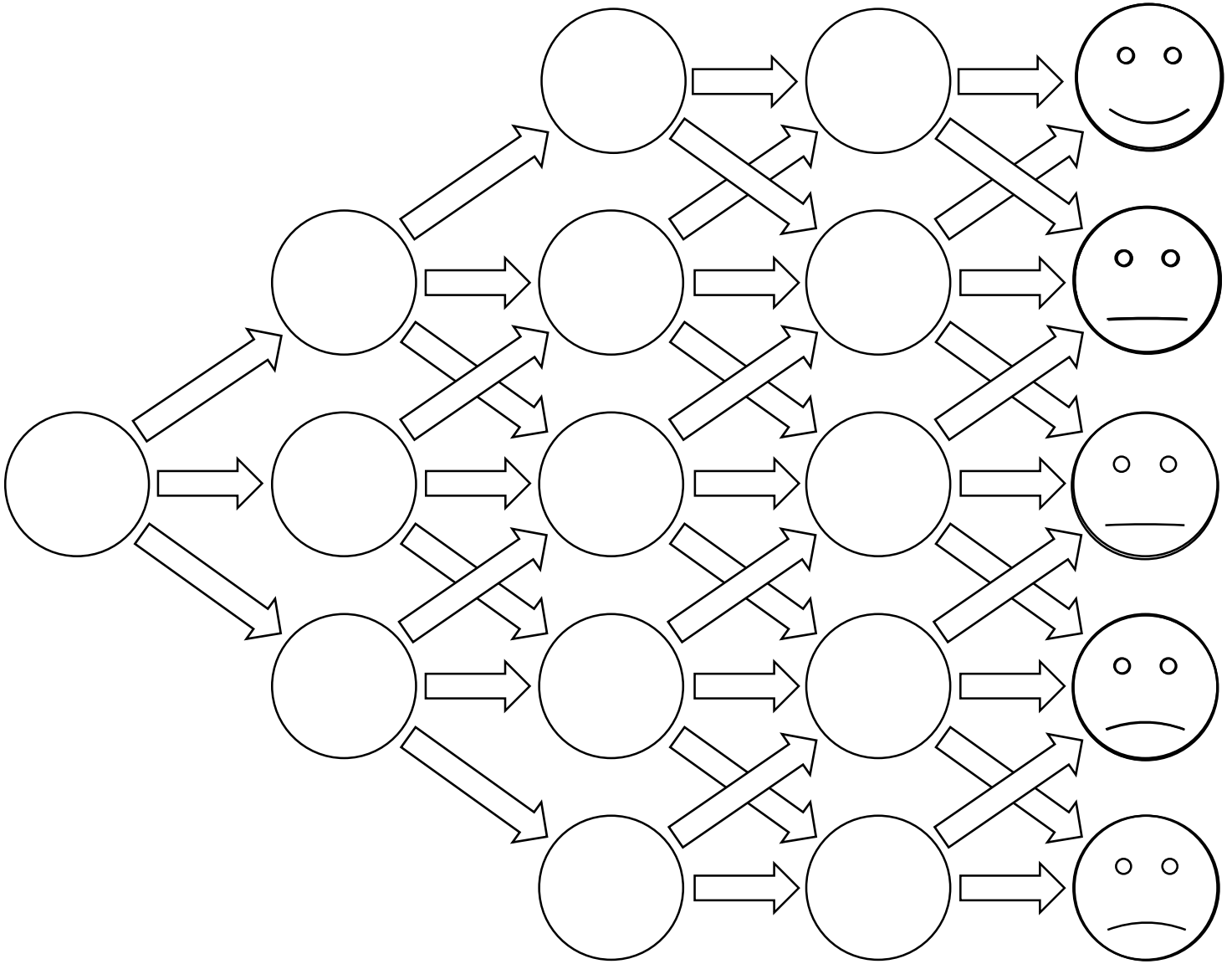
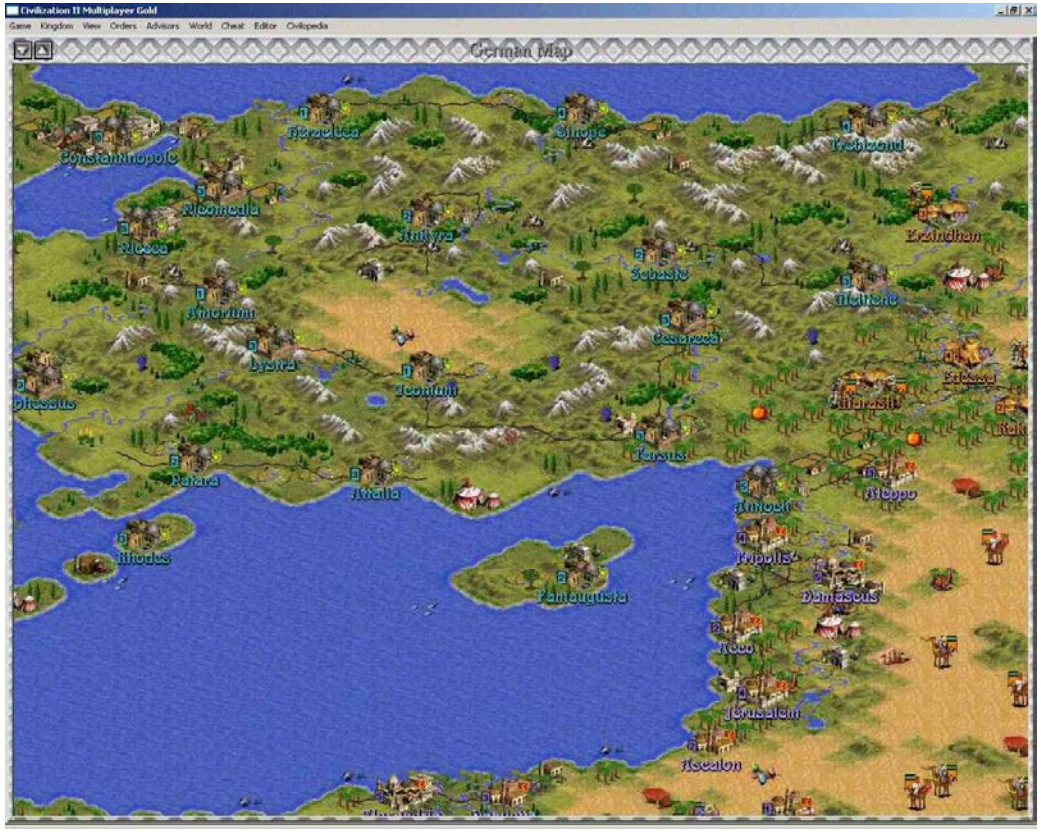
Reinforcement learning



Civilization II



Wins 78% of games!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Group Activity Choice

1. Think about AI and write some scripts
2. Discuss how an AI might solve your game
3. Just work on your games