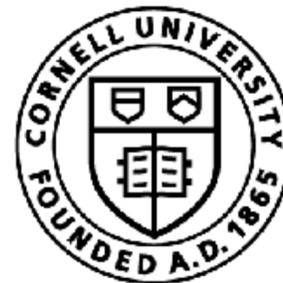
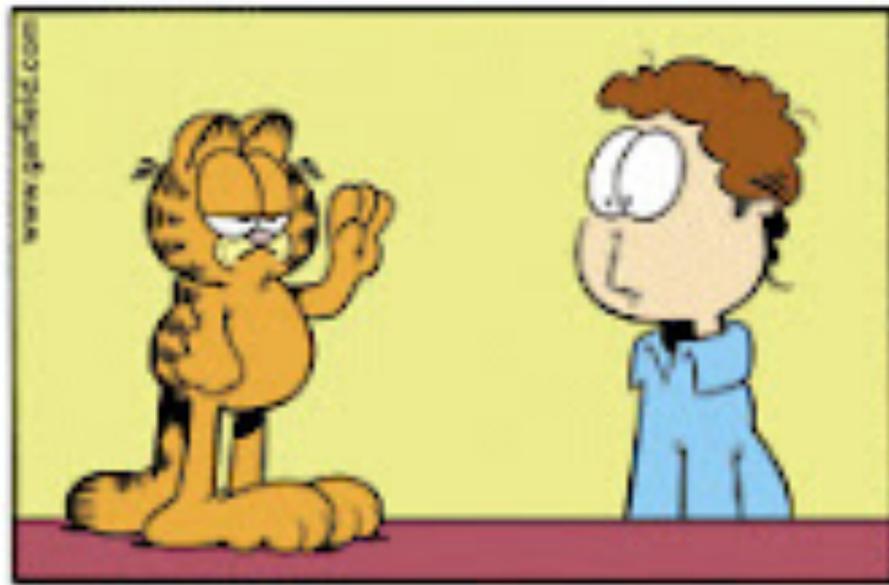


Distribution Matching, Maximum Entropy, GANs, and all that

Sanjiban Choudhury



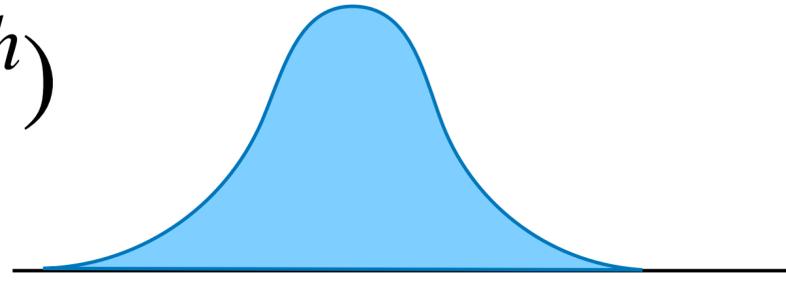
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Imitation Learning is NOT blindly copying the expert's actions

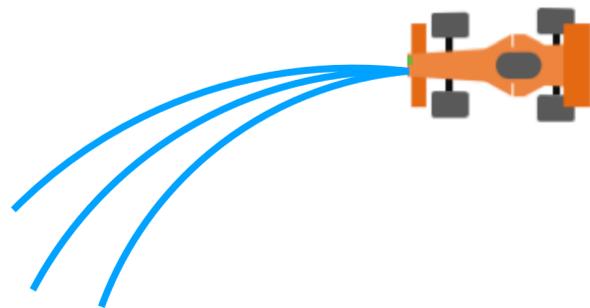
The Distribution Matching Problem

$$P_{expert}(\xi^h)$$



(Unknown) expert distribution

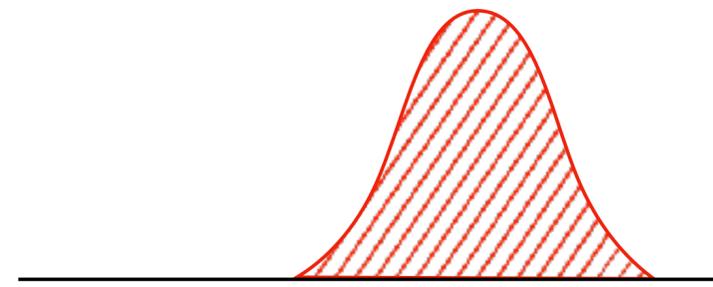
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What loss should we use?

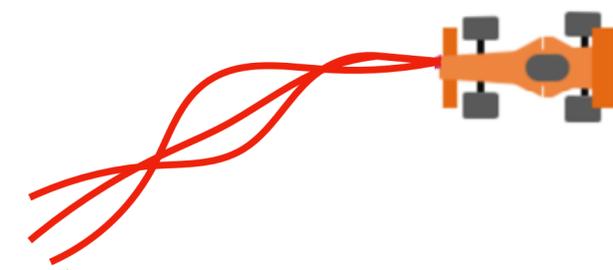


$$P_{\theta}(\xi)$$



Learn distribution over trajectories

Learner can also generate samples



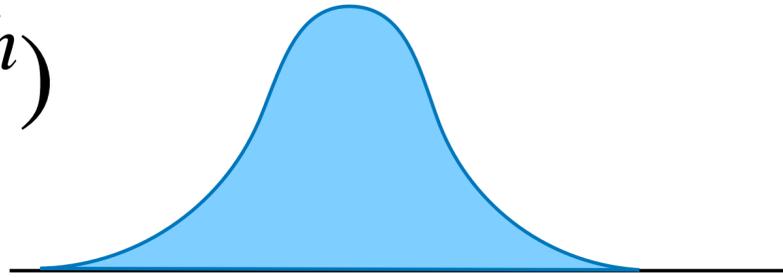
KL Divergence: A common measure!

Given two distributions $P(x)$ and $Q(x)$

$$D_{KL}(P || Q) = \sum_x P(x) \log \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$$

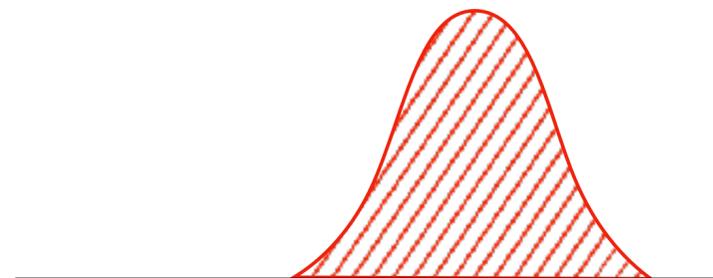
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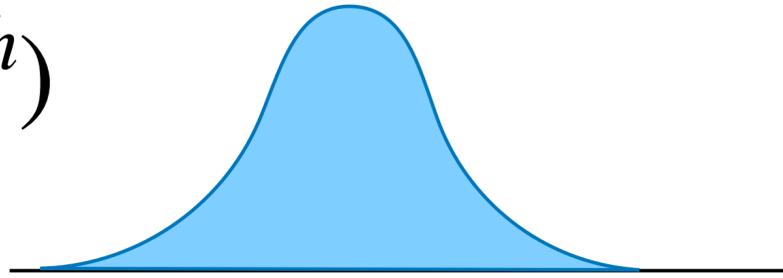
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$$D_{KL}(P_{expert} || P_{\theta}) = \sum_{\xi} P_{expert}(\xi) \log \frac{P_{expert}(\xi)}{P_{\theta}(\xi)}$$

Can we $\min_{\theta} D_{KL}(P_{expert} || P_{\theta})$ if we don't know P_{expert} ?

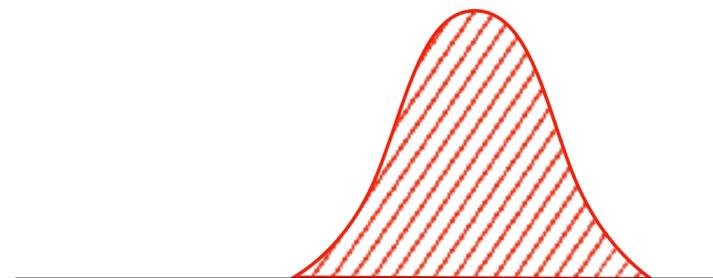
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Learn distribution over trajectories

Yes!

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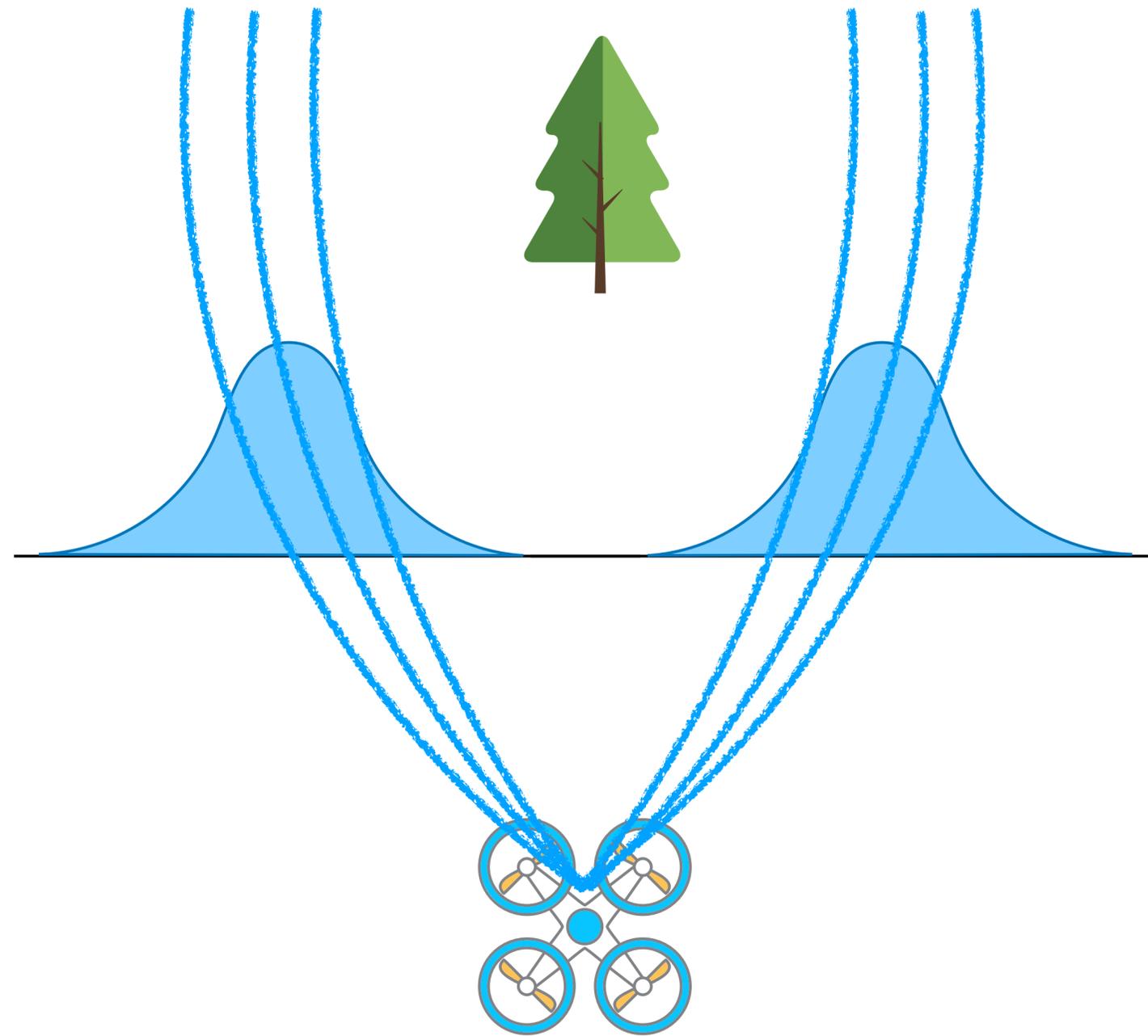
$$\min_{\theta} - \sum_{\xi} P_{expert}(\xi) \log P_{\theta}(\xi)$$

$$\min_{\theta} - \mathbb{E}_{\xi \sim P_{expert}(\xi)} \log P_{\theta}(\xi)$$

Only need samples
from expert!

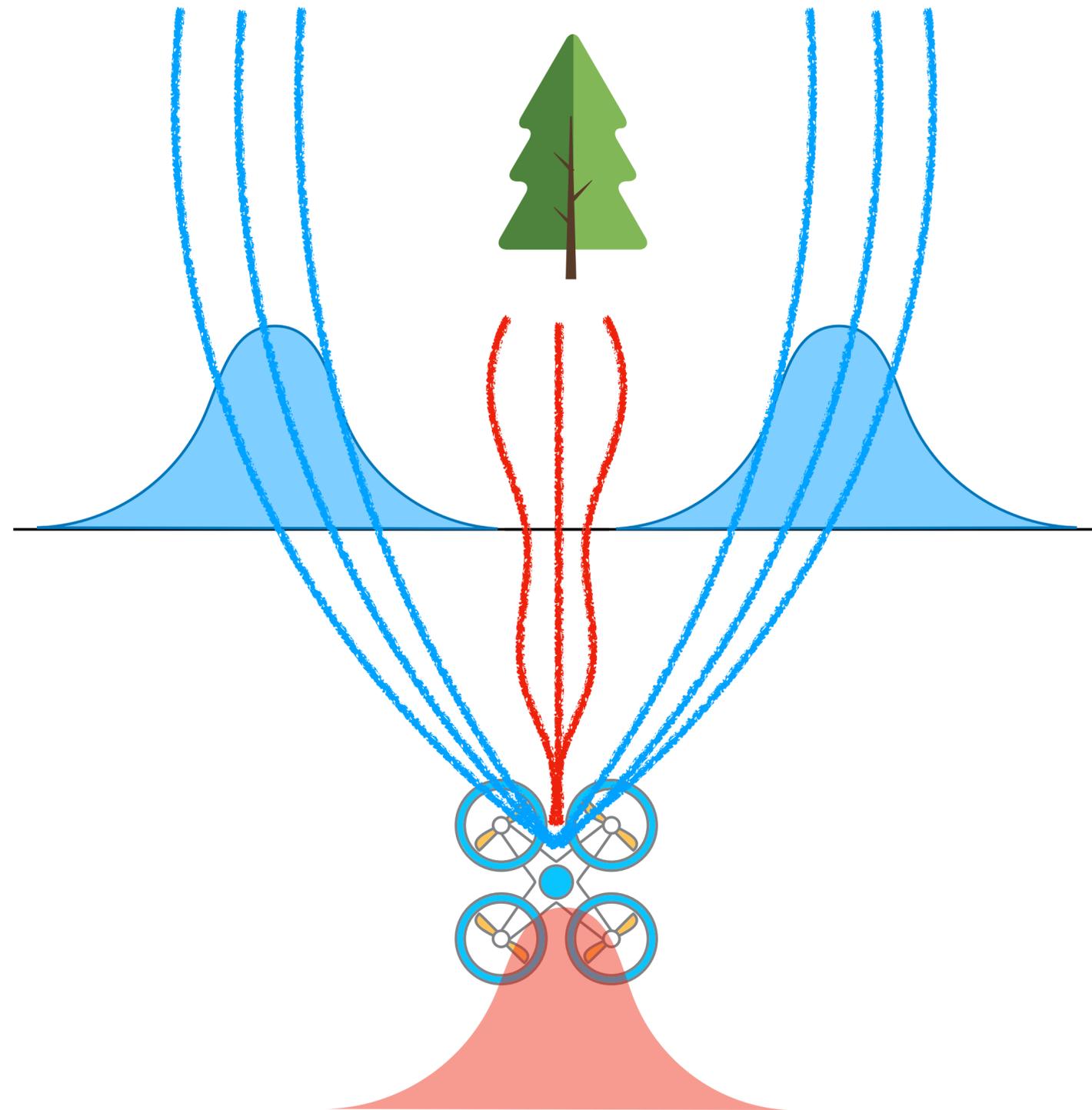


Flying through a forest



Expert flies left
and right of the tree
Given samples from expert

Flying through a forest



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Let's say we want to learn
 $P_{\theta}(\xi)$, a gaussian over traj

$$\min_{\theta} D_{KL}(P_{expert} || P_{\theta})$$

What will we learn?

Activity!

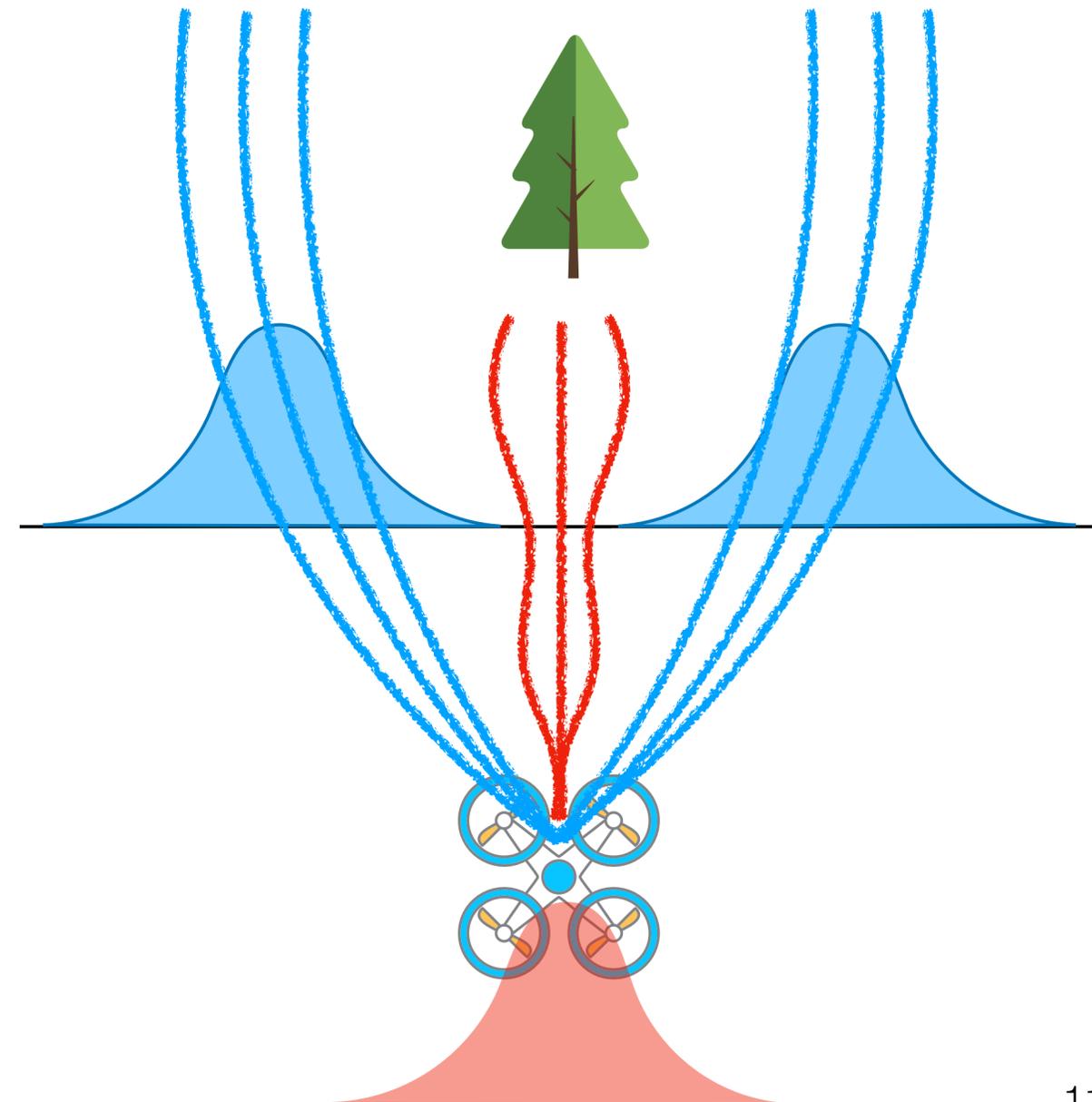


Think-Pair-Share

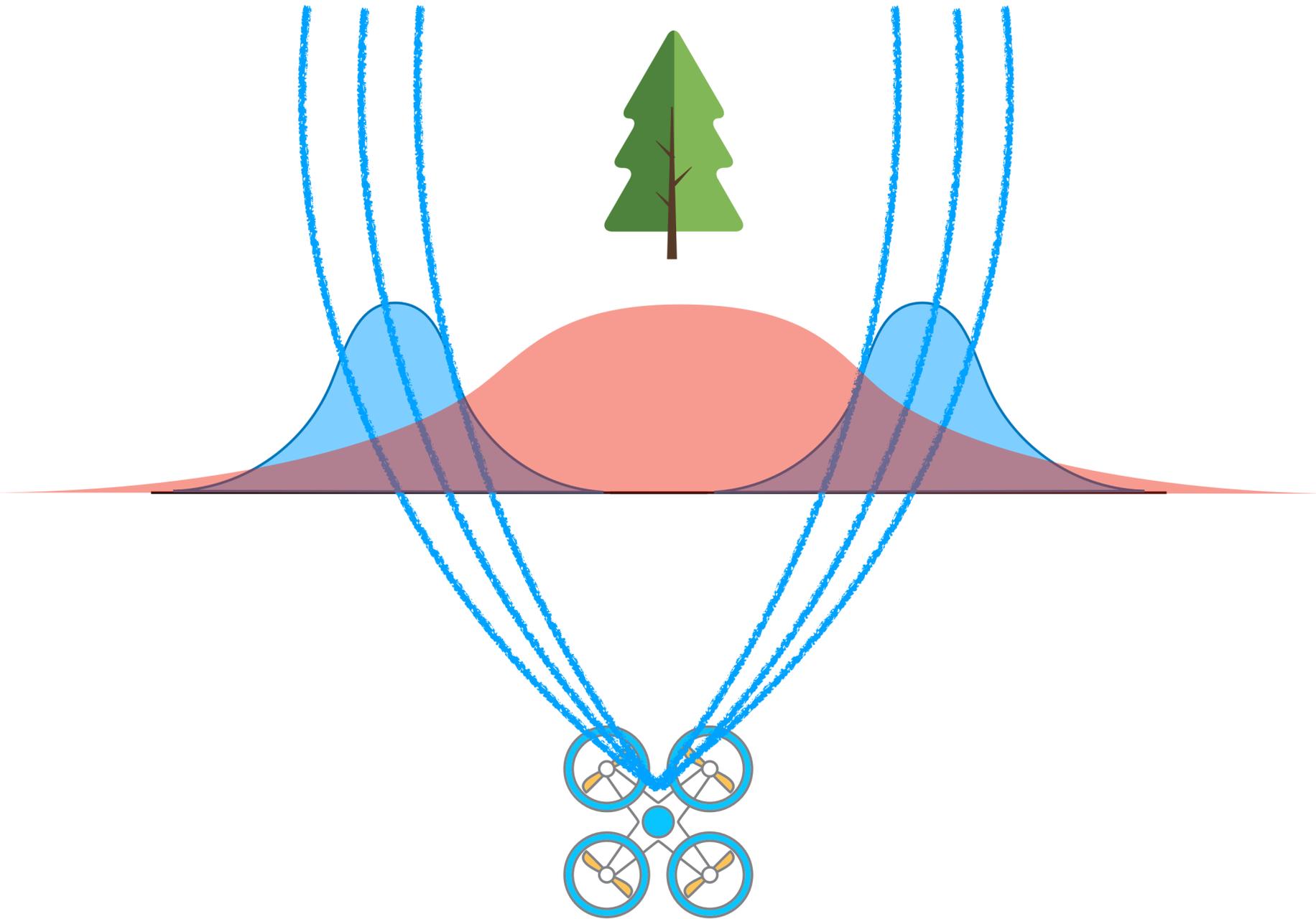
Think (30 sec): What Gaussian will we learn by minimizing KL divergence $\min_{\theta} - \mathbb{E}_{\xi \sim P_{expert}(\xi)} \log P_{\theta}(\xi)$?

Pair: Find a partner

Share (45 sec): Partners exchange ideas



Forward KL is Mode-Covering!

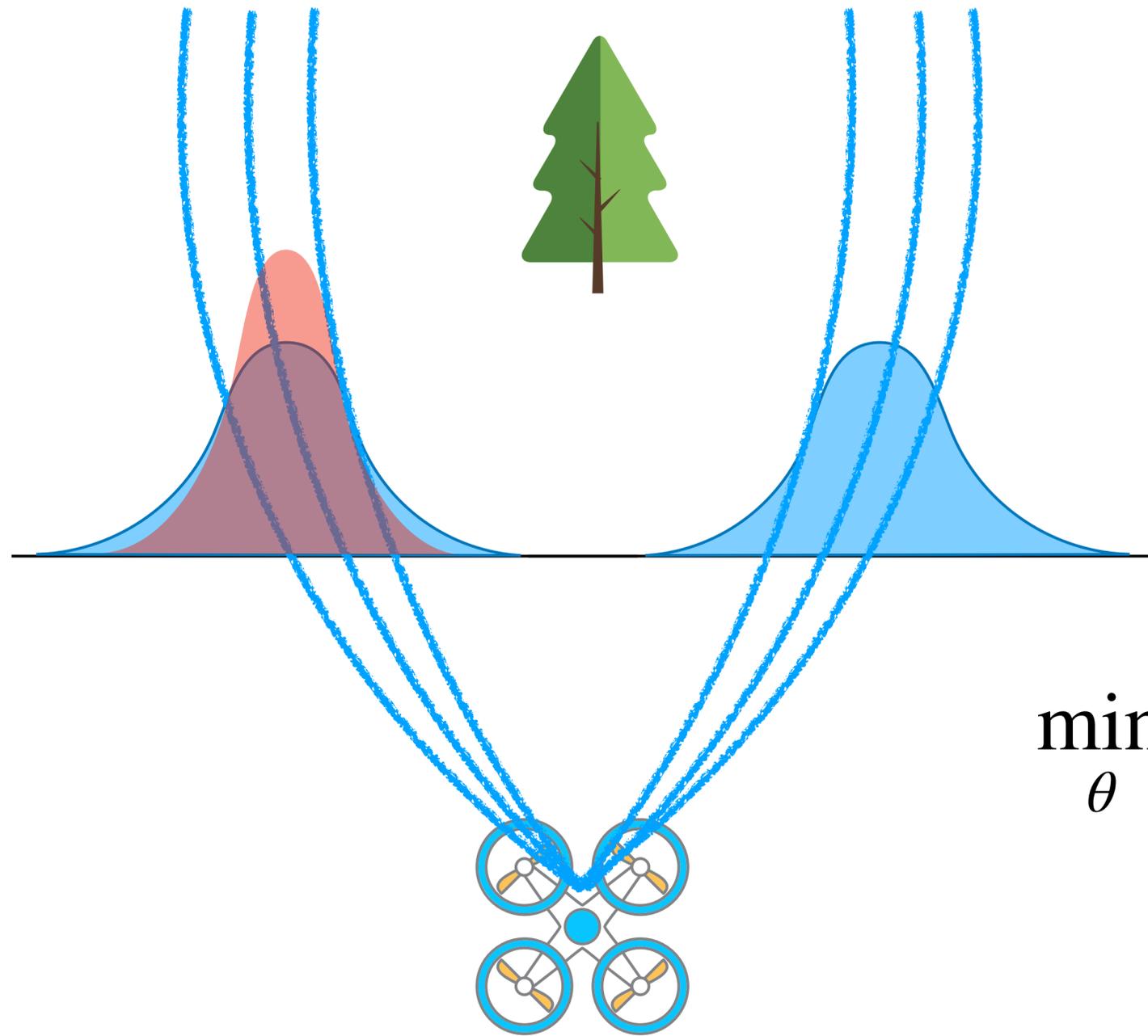


Makes sure probability is non-zero for every action the expert takes

Maximizes recall

But sacrifices precision, i.e. can leave expert support

Well what about Reverse KL?



$$\min_{\theta} D_{KL}(P_{\theta} || P_{expert})$$

$$\min_{\theta} \sum_{\xi} P_{\theta}(\xi) \log \frac{P_{\theta}(\xi)}{P_{expert}(\xi)}$$

$$\min_{\theta} - \sum_{\xi} P_{\theta}(\xi) \log P_{expert}(\xi) - H(P_{\theta}(\cdot))$$

Entropy

Do we
know this?

Estimating Divergences



KL is part of a *spectrum* of divergences

f-divergence: A family of divergences

$$D_f(P || Q) = \sum_x Q(x) f\left(\frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}\right)$$



Where $f()$ is a convex function

Ali and Silvey, 1966

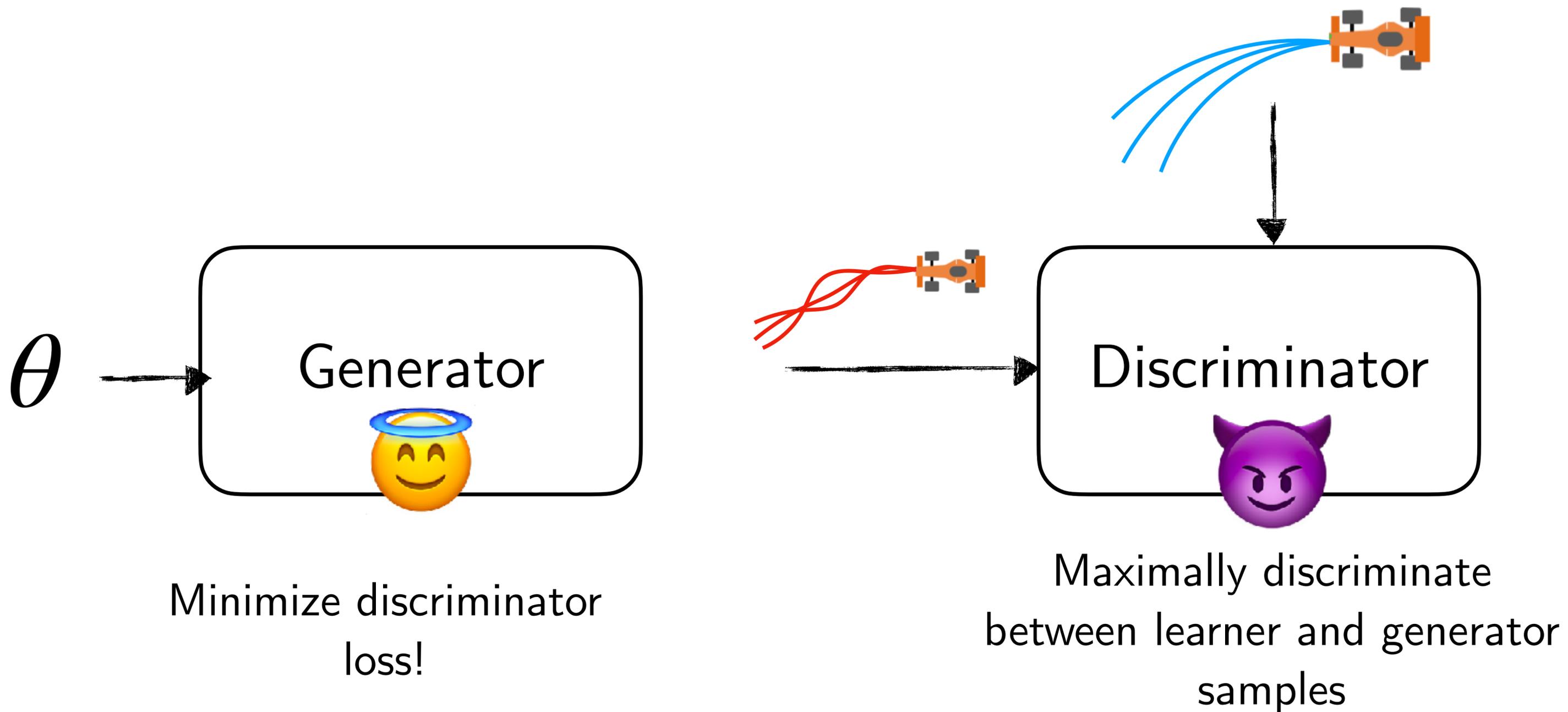
KL is part of a spectrum of divergences

Name	$D_f(P Q)$	Generator $f(u)$
Kullback-Leibler	$\int p(x) \log \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} dx$	$u \log u$
Reverse KL	$\int q(x) \log \frac{q(x)}{p(x)} dx$	$-\log u$
Pearson χ^2	$\int \frac{(q(x)-p(x))^2}{p(x)} dx$	$(u-1)^2$
Squared Hellinger	$\int \left(\sqrt{p(x)} - \sqrt{q(x)} \right)^2 dx$	$(\sqrt{u}-1)^2$
Jensen-Shannon	$\frac{1}{2} \int p(x) \log \frac{2p(x)}{p(x)+q(x)} + q(x) \log \frac{2q(x)}{p(x)+q(x)} dx$	$-(u+1) \log \frac{1+u}{2} + u \log u$
GAN	$\int p(x) \log \frac{2p(x)}{p(x)+q(x)} + q(x) \log \frac{2q(x)}{p(x)+q(x)} dx - \log(4)$	$u \log u - (u+1) \log(u+1)$

Okay fine ... but how do we estimate these divergences when all we have are expert samples?



Use GANs to estimate divergence!



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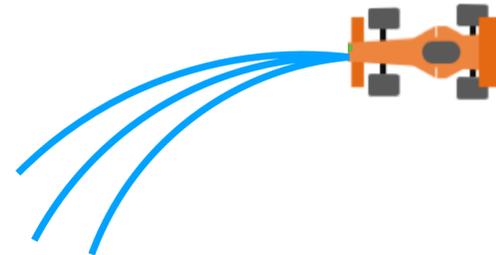
min
 θ



max
 ϕ



$$\mathbb{E}_{\xi \sim P_{\theta}(\xi)} [C_{\phi}(\xi)] - \mathbb{E}_{\xi \sim P_{expert}(\xi)} [f^*(C_{\phi}(\xi))]$$



Imitation Learning as f-Divergence Minimization

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The Rise of Adversarial Imitation Learning



JS-Divergence

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Reverse-KL Divergence

LEARNING ROBUST REWARDS WITH ADVERSARIAL INVERSE REINFORCEMENT LEARNING

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Jeffrey Divergence

R2P2: A Reparameterized Pushforward Policy for Diverse, Precise Generative Path Forecasting

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State-Marginal f -divergence

f -IRL: Inverse Reinforcement Learning via State Marginal Matching

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Which divergence
do we care about?



What divergence do we care about?

f-divergence are great and all, but which one do we actually care about?

What divergence do we care about?

What we actually care about is matching Performance Difference

$$J(\pi) = J(\pi^*)$$

$$\mathbb{E}_{\xi \sim P_{\theta}(\xi)} c(\xi) = \mathbb{E}_{\xi \sim P_{expert}(\xi)} c(\xi)$$

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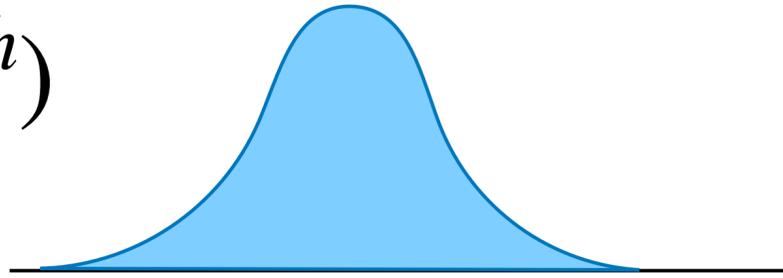
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But we don't know the costs $c(\cdot)$

Costs are just weighted combination of features. What if we just matched all the expected features?

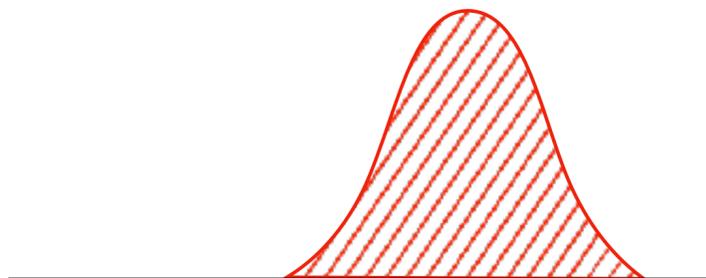
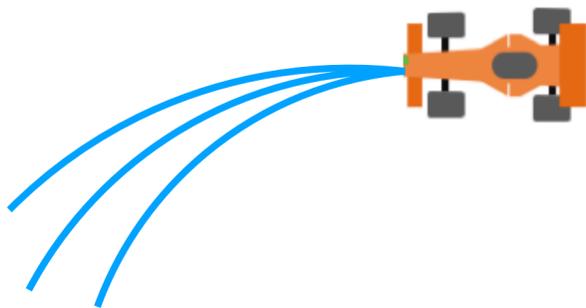
Proposal: Match cost features!

$$P_{expert}(\xi^h)$$



(Unknown) expert distribution

All we see are expert samples



$$P_{\theta}(\xi)$$

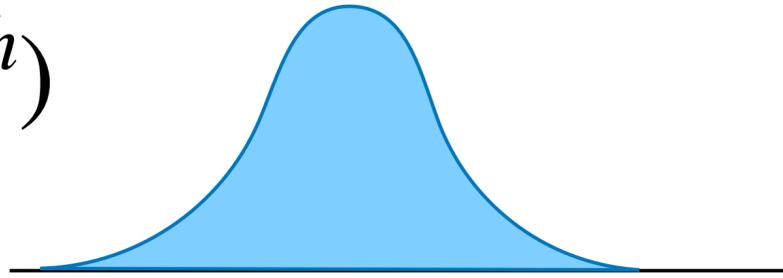
Learn distribution over trajectories

Learner can also generate samples



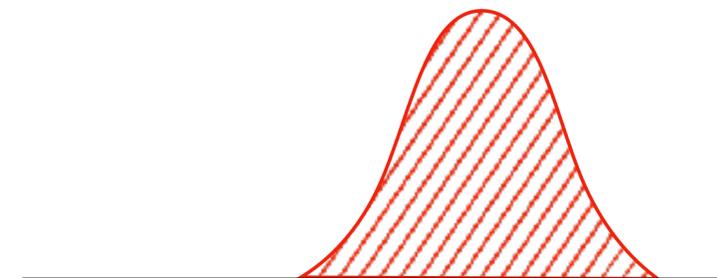
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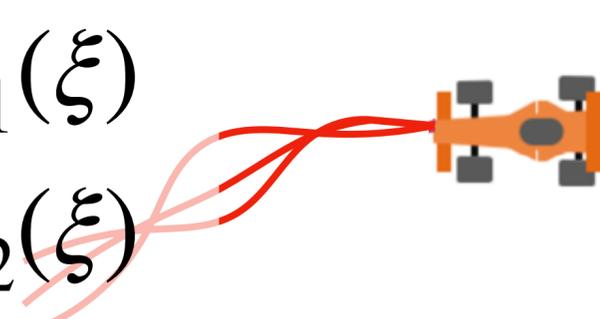
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⋮

$$\mathbb{E}_{\xi^h \sim P_{expert}(\cdot)} f_k(\xi^h) = \mathbb{E}_{\xi \sim P_{\theta}(\cdot)} f_k(\xi)$$

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Let's
formalize!



Maximum Entropy Inverse Optimal Control

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Maximum Entropy Inverse Optimal Control



LEO: Learning Energy-based Models in Factor Graph Optimization

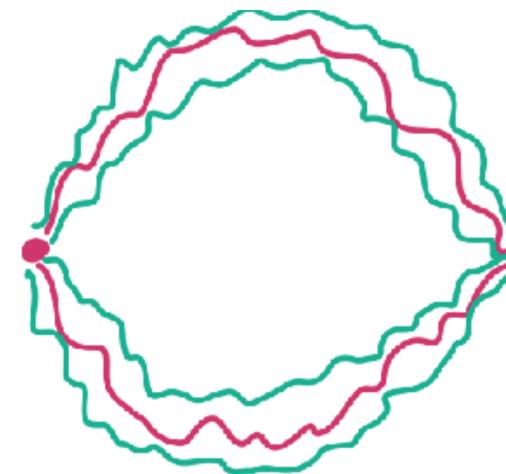
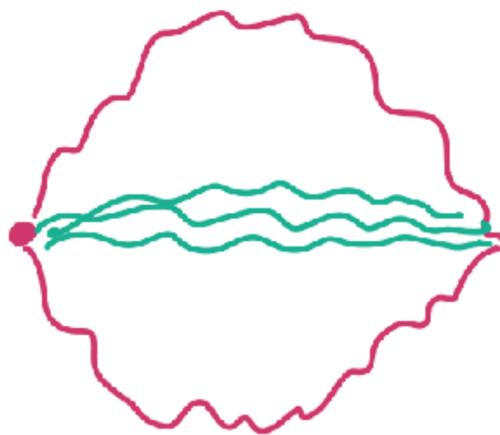
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Maximum Entropy Inverse Optimal Control

Human demonstration

Learner traj



Given dataset: $\left\{ \underset{\text{(Human demo)}}{\xi_i^h}, \underset{\text{(Map)}}{\phi_i} \right\}_{i=1}^N$

Solve for cost $C_\theta(\xi)$

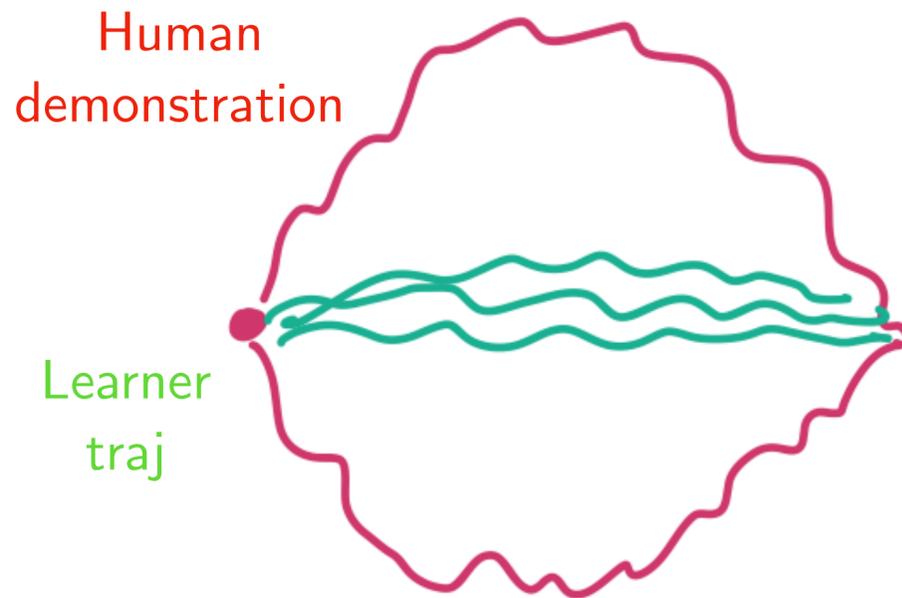
$$\min_{\theta} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N -\log P_{\theta}(\xi_i^h | \phi_i)$$

Max lik. of human traj

$$P_{\theta}(\xi | \phi) = \frac{1}{Z(\theta, \phi)} \exp(-C_{\theta}(\xi, \phi))$$

More costly traj, less likely

Maximum Entropy Inverse Optimal Control



for $i = 1, \dots, N$

Loop over datapoints

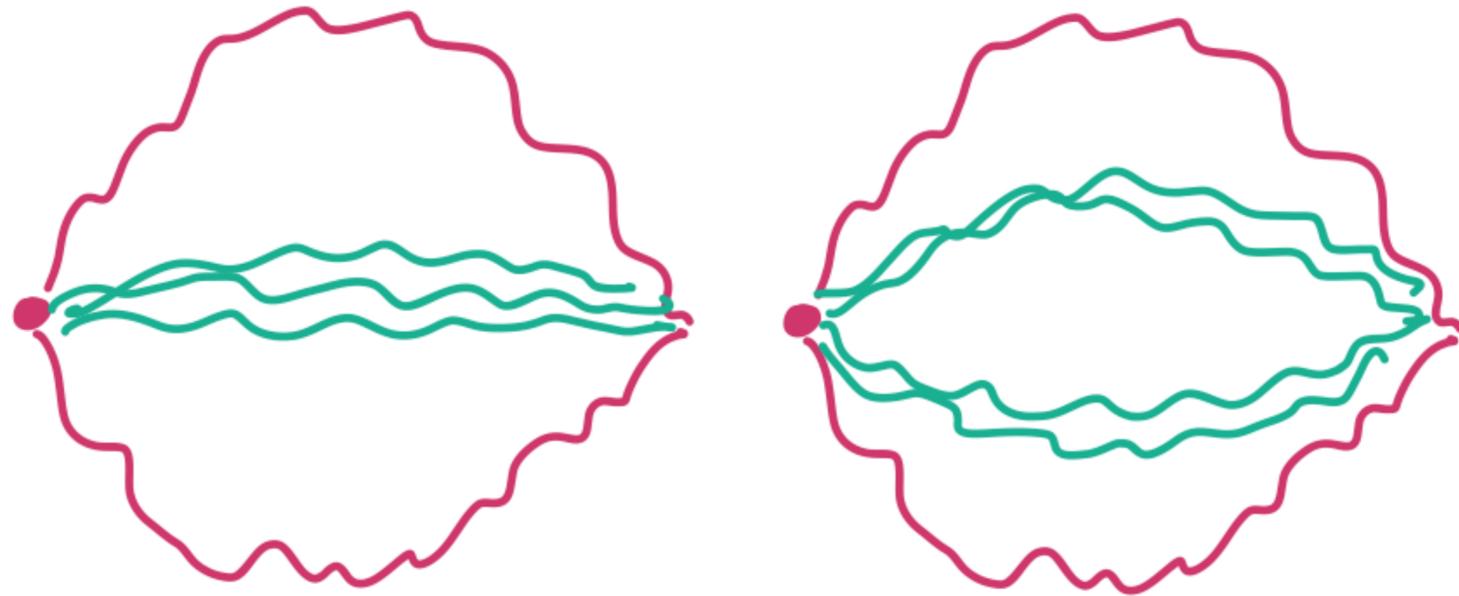
$$\xi_i \sim \frac{1}{Z} \exp(-C_\theta(\xi, \phi_i))$$

Call planner!

$$\theta^+ = \theta - \eta \left[\underbrace{\nabla_\theta C_\theta(\xi_i^h, \phi_i)}_{\text{(Push down human cost)}} - \underbrace{\nabla_\theta C_\theta(\xi_i, \phi_i)}_{\text{(Push up planner cost)}} \right]$$

Update cost

Maximum Entropy Inverse Optimal Control



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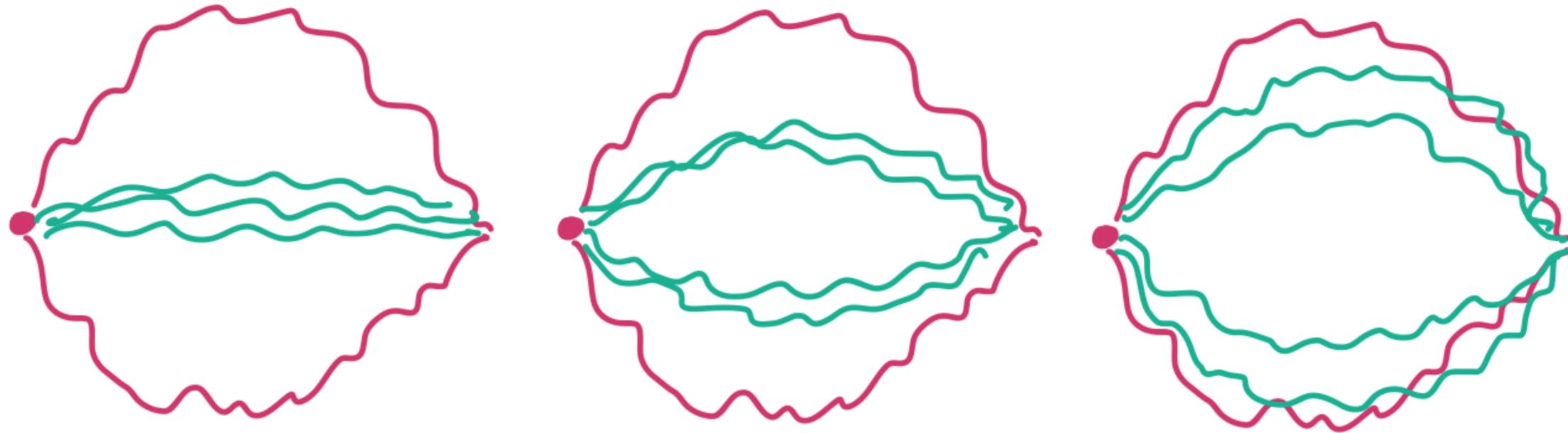
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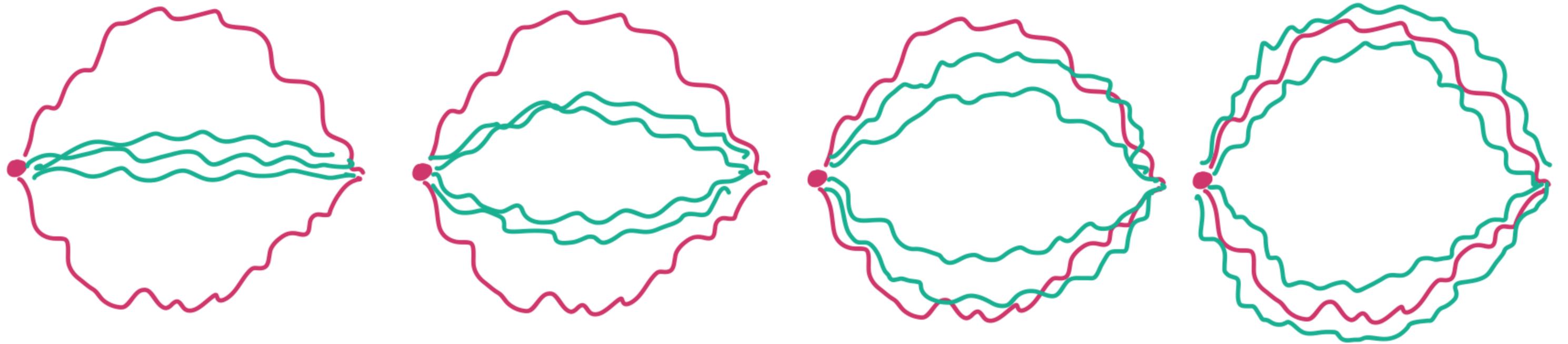
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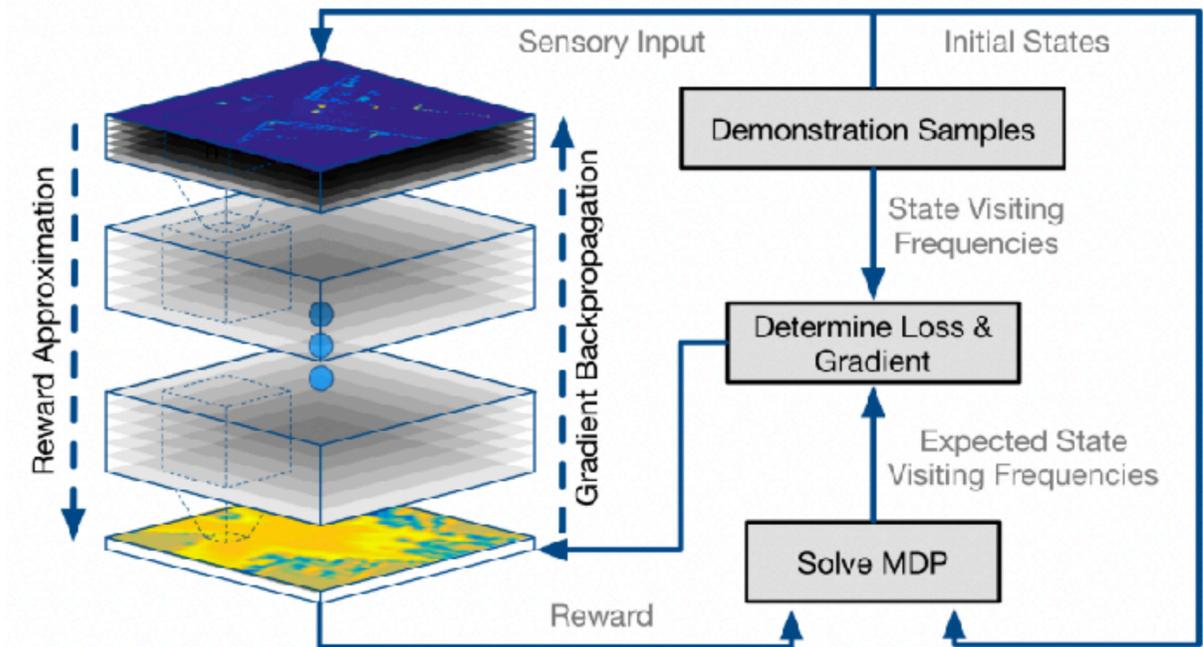
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Deep Max Ent



Watch This: Scalable Cost-Function Learning for Path Planning in Urban Environments

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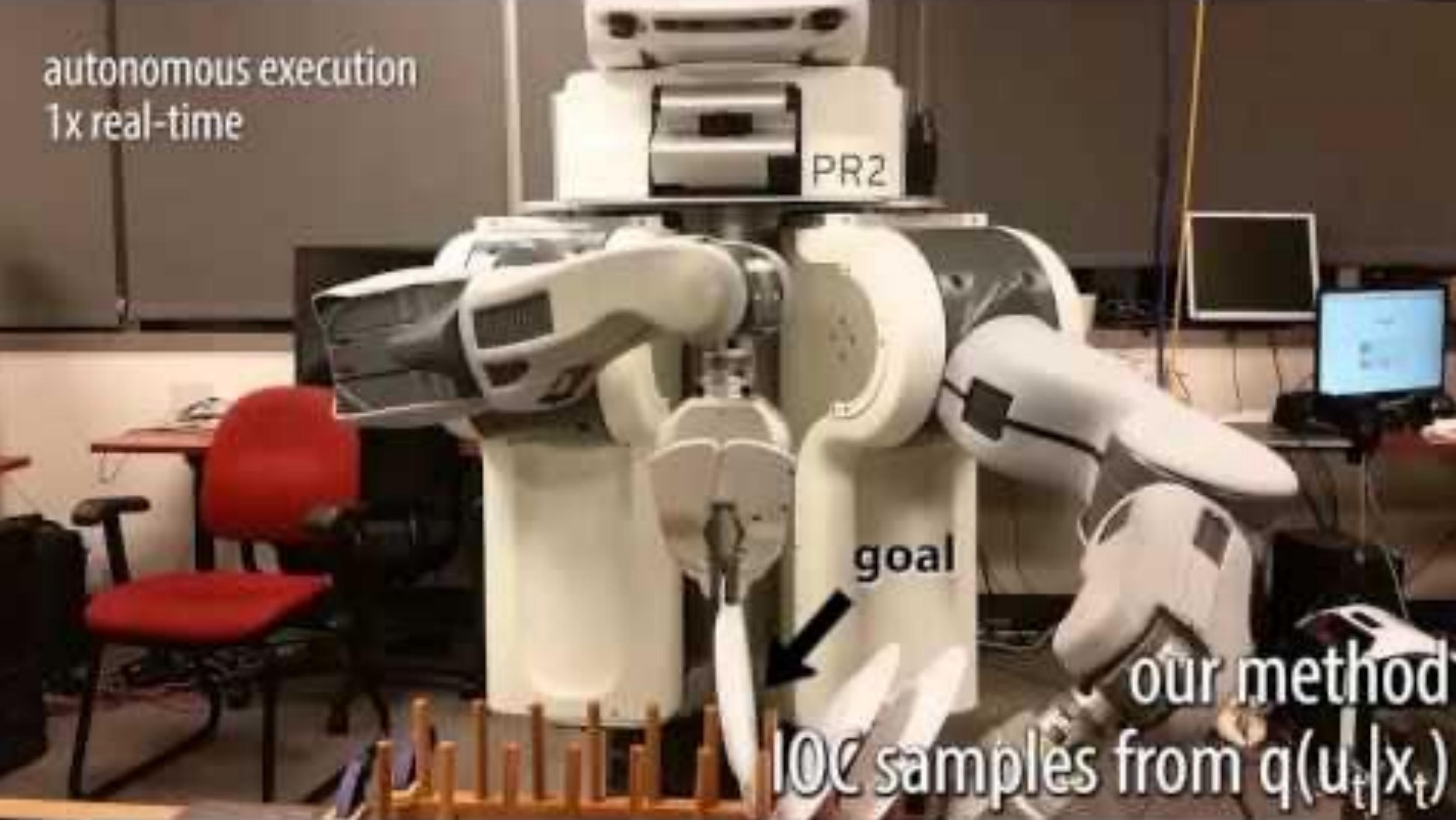


autonomous execution
1x real-time

PR2

goal

our method
100 samples from $q(u_t|x_t)$



Easy



Medium



Hard



Expert is **realizable**

$$\pi^E \in \Pi$$

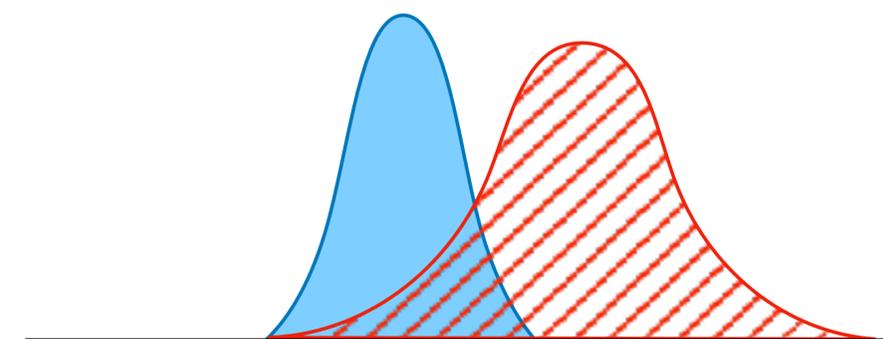
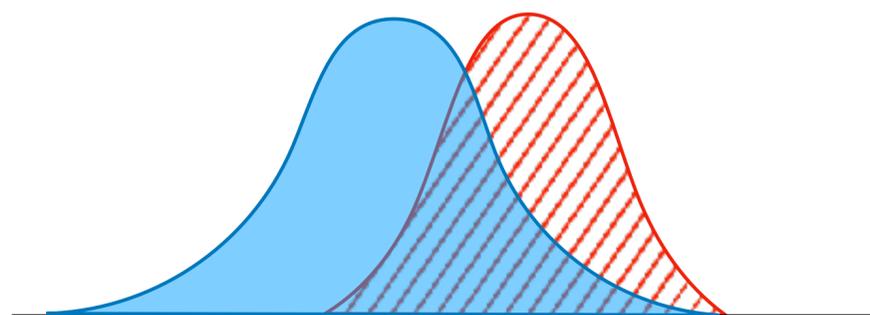
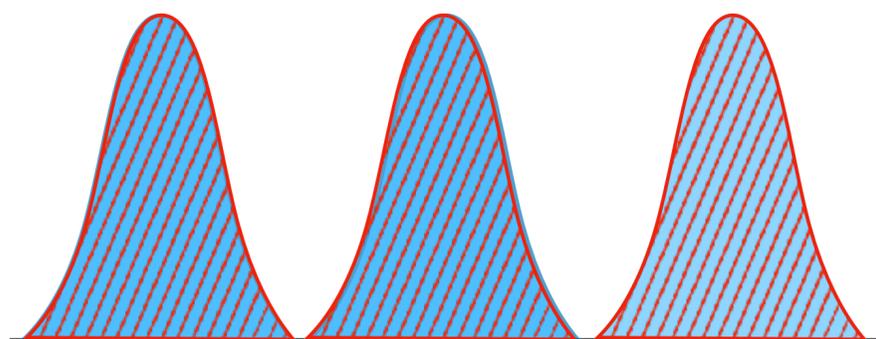
Non-realizable expert
but full expert support

Non-realizable expert +
limited expert support

As $N \rightarrow \infty$, drive down
 $\epsilon = 0$ (or Bayes error)

Even as $N \rightarrow \infty$,
behavior cloning $O(\epsilon CT)$
where C is conc. coeff

Even as $N \rightarrow \infty$,
behavior cloning $O(\epsilon T^2)$



Nothing special.

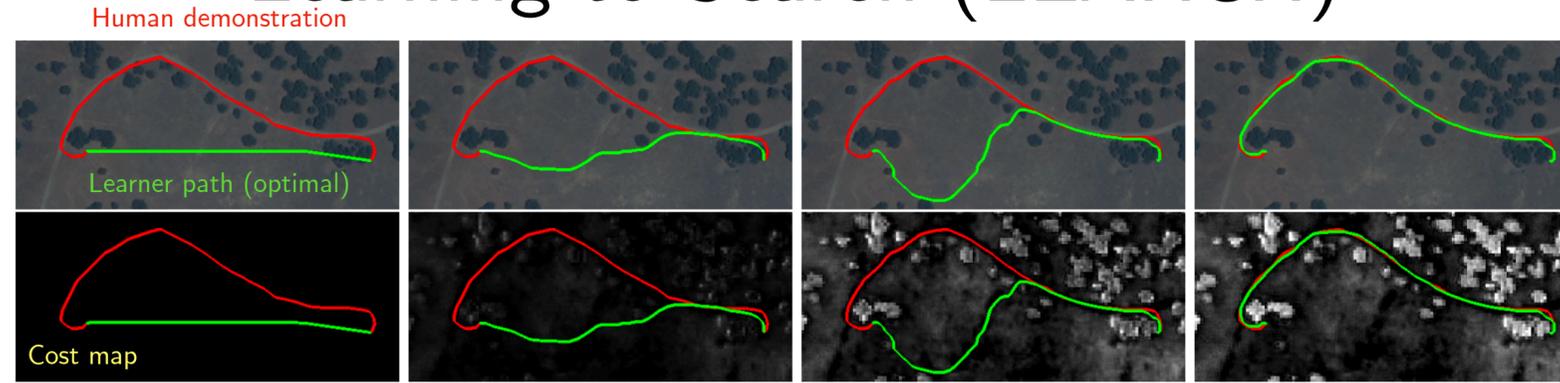
Collect lots of data and
do Behavior Cloning

Requires **interactive** simulator
(MaxEntIRL) to match
distribution $\Rightarrow O(\epsilon T)$

Requires **interactive** expert
(DAGGER / **EIL**) to
provide labels $\Rightarrow O(\epsilon T)$

tl;dr

Learning to Search (LEARCH)



for $i = 1, \dots, N$

Loop over datapoints

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Call planner!

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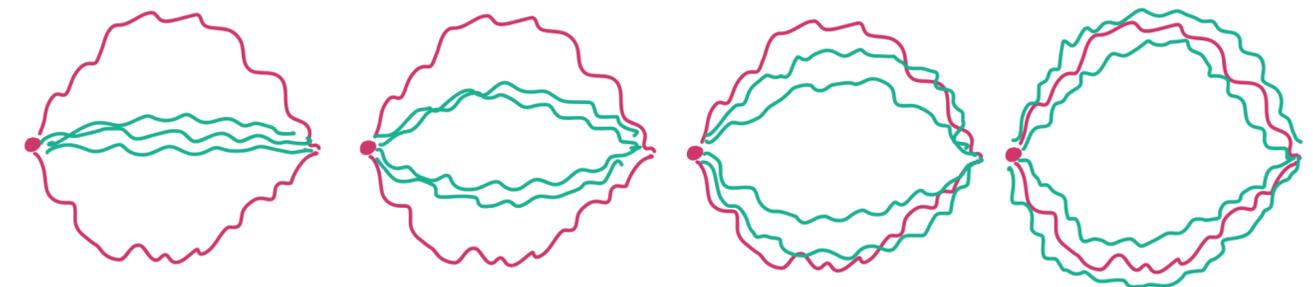
Update cost



When the expert is
Suboptimal
Noisy
Privileged Information

LEARCH does NOT converge!!

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