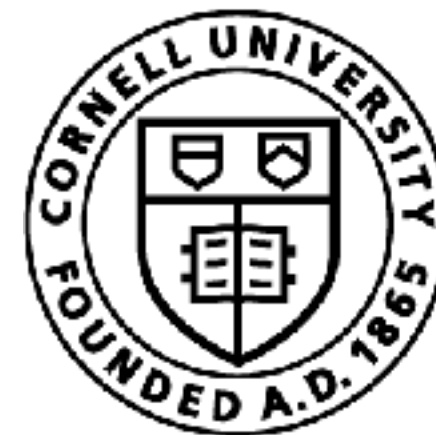




Happy Halloween!

Principle of Maximum Entropy in Decision Making (From IRL to RL and back)

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Maximum Entropy Inverse Reinforcement Learning

How do we imitate noisy / suboptimal experts?



Collect dataset $\mathcal{D} = \{\xi_i^h\}$ of expert trajectories

Update cost / reward function doing gradient descent on :

$$\mathbb{E}_{\xi_i^h \sim \mathcal{D}} \nabla_{\theta} C_{\theta}(\xi_i^h) - \mathbb{E}_{\xi_i \sim \frac{1}{Z} \exp(-C_{\theta}(\xi))} \nabla_{\theta} C_{\theta}(\xi_i)$$

(Push down human cost)

(Push up learner cost)

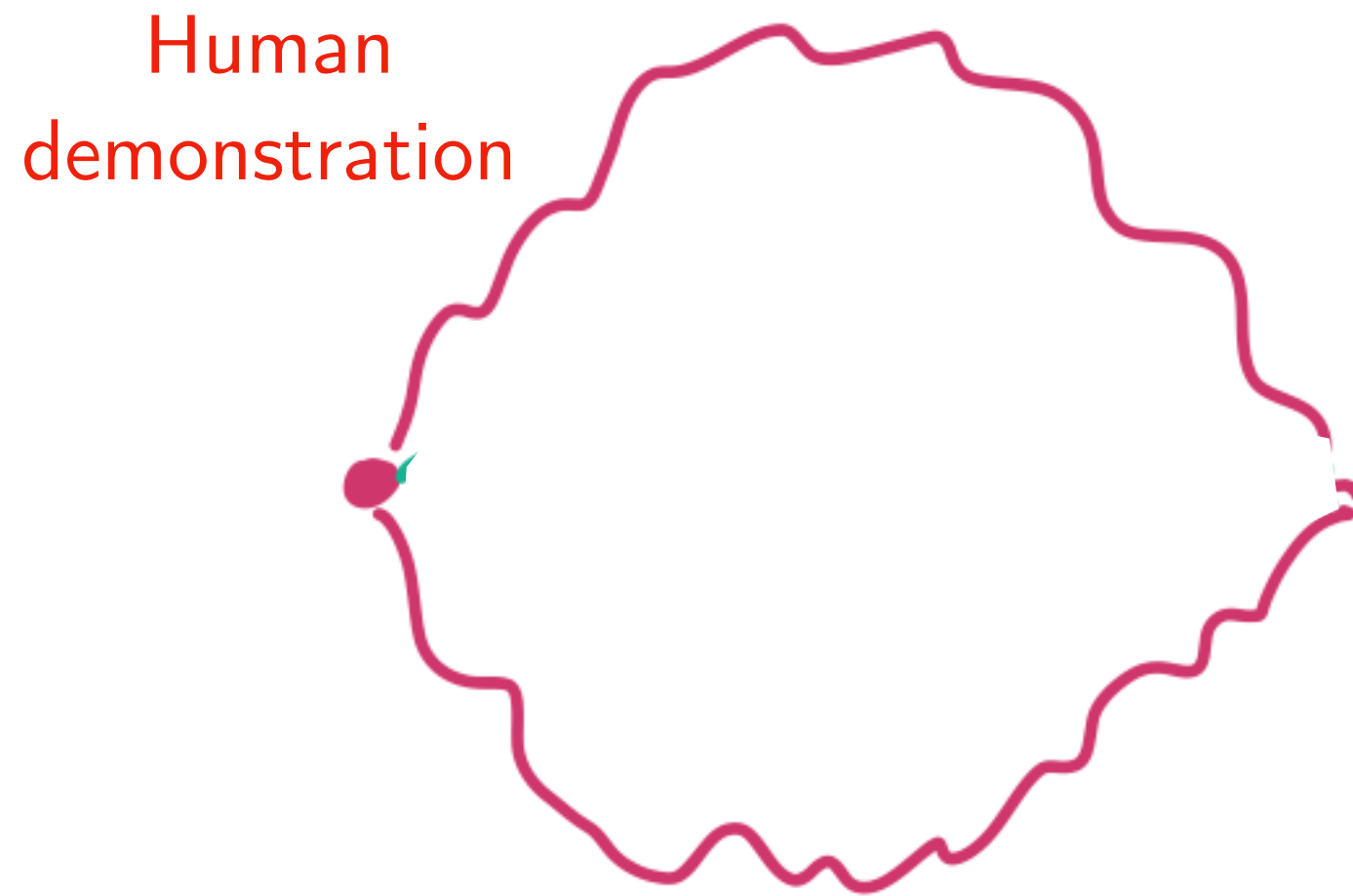
How do we sample from

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

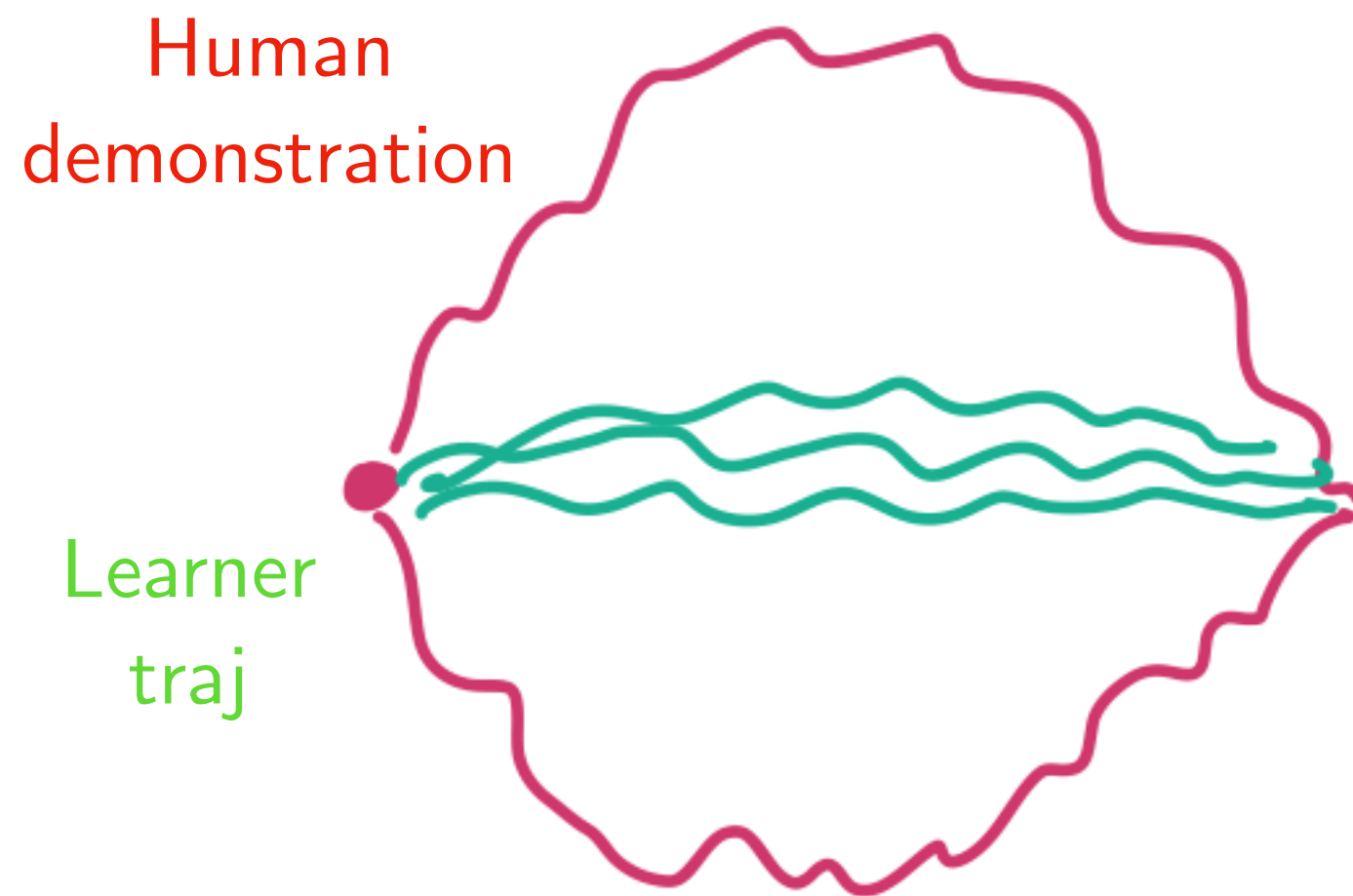
Is it intuitively like calling a planner?



Maximum Entropy Inverse Reinforcement Learning



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for $i = 1, \dots, N$

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

Loop over datapoints

Call "Soft" Planner

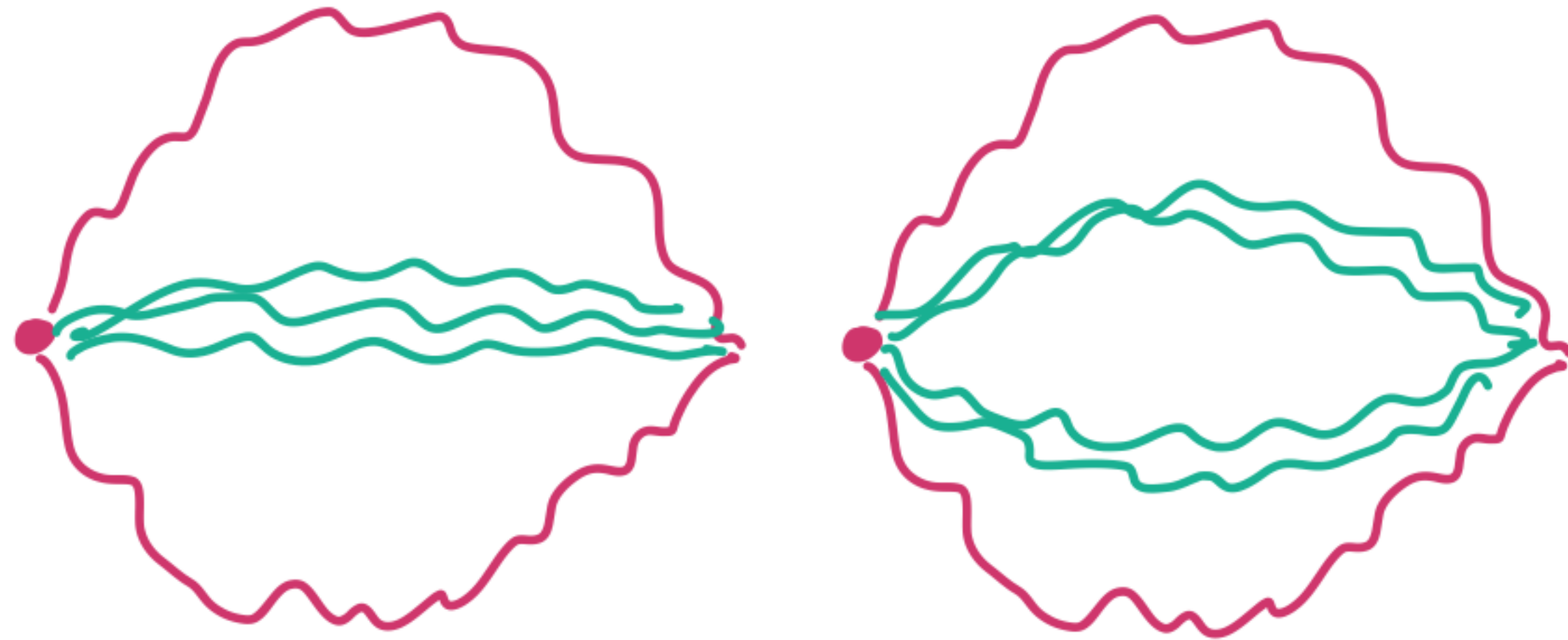
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Update cost

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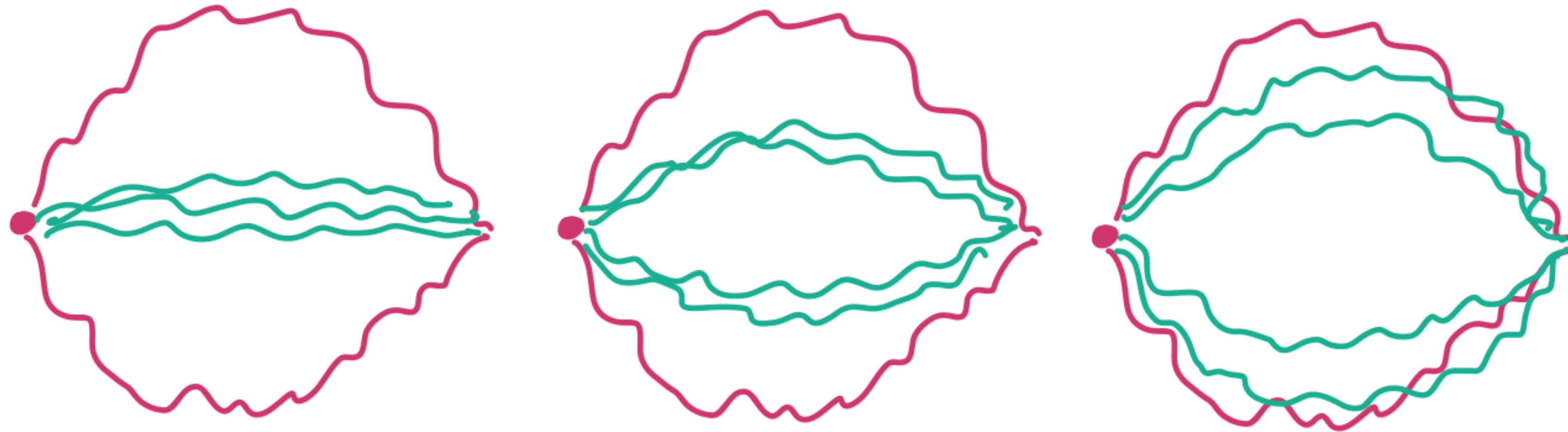
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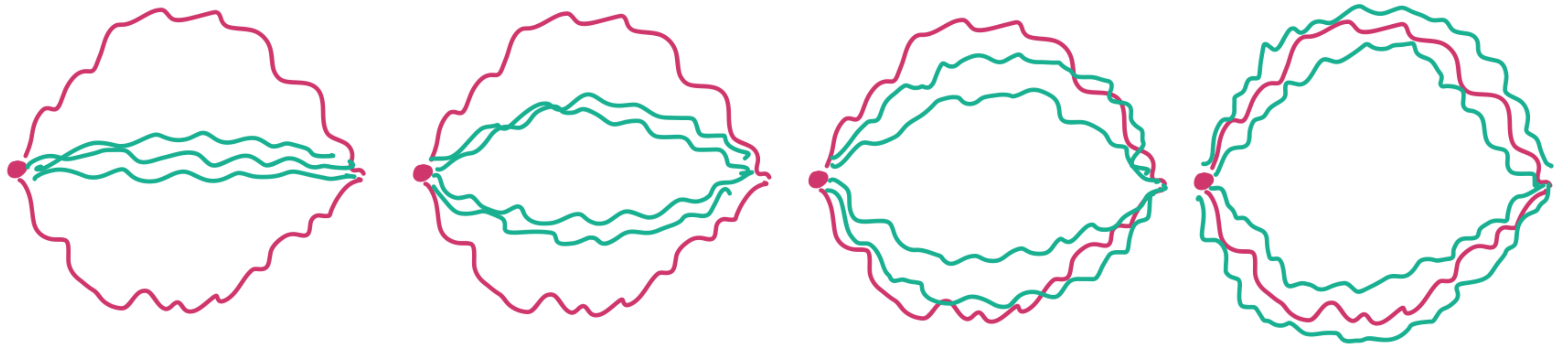
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Activity!

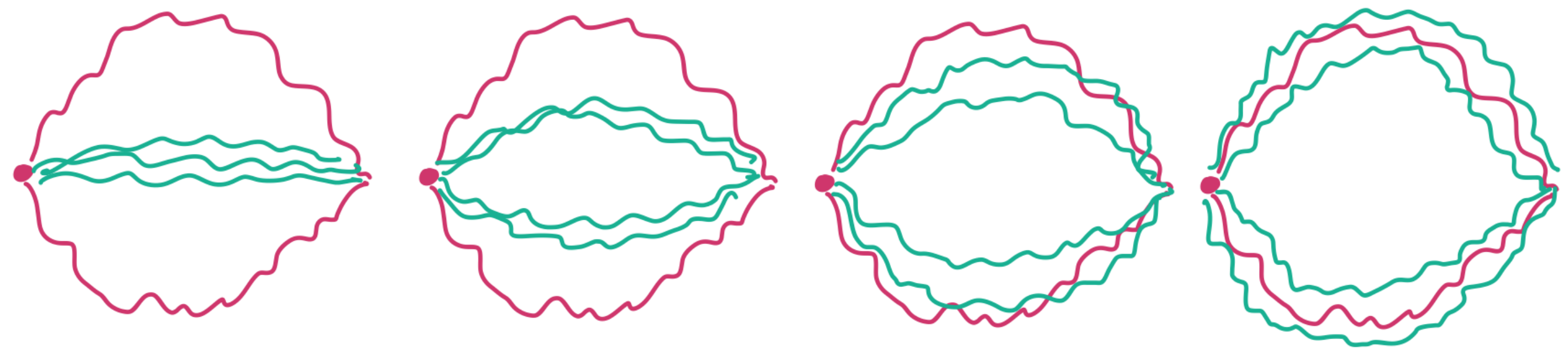


Think-Pair-Share

Think (30 sec): What if we called a hard/optimal planner rather than a soft planner, i.e. $\xi_i = \arg \min C_\theta(\xi)$

Would you converge?

Pair: Find a partner



Share (45 sec): Partners exchange ideas

Okay...

But how do we *actually*
sample from

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



Let's derive soft value iteration!

How do we do soft value iteration with deep networks?

Soft Actor Critic

1. Q-function update

Update Q-function to evaluate current policy:

$$Q(\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{a}) \leftarrow r(\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{a}) + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{s}' \sim p_{\mathbf{s}}, \mathbf{a}' \sim \pi} [Q(\mathbf{s}', \mathbf{a}') - \log \pi(\mathbf{a}' | \mathbf{s}')]]$$

This converges to Q^π .

2. Update policy

Update the policy with gradient of information projection:

$$\pi_{\text{new}} = \arg \min_{\pi'} D_{\text{KL}} \left(\pi'(\cdot | \mathbf{s}) \parallel \frac{1}{Z} \exp Q^{\pi_{\text{old}}}(\mathbf{s}, \cdot) \right)$$

In practice, only take one gradient step on this objective

3. Interact with the world, collect more data

“Soft”
Critic

Recall
Nightmare!

Back to Inverse Reinforcement Learning

(But with deep networks)

Maximum Entropy Inverse Reinforcement Learning



Roll-out π to collect trajectory $\xi = \{s_0, a_0, \dots\}$

$$\theta^+ = \theta + \eta [\nabla_\theta R_\theta(\xi_i^h) - \nabla_\theta R_\theta(\xi_i)]$$

MaxEntIRL has had many success stories over the years
and been rediscovered a lot of times

Navigate Like a Cabbie: Probabilistic Reasoning from Observed Context-Aware Behavior

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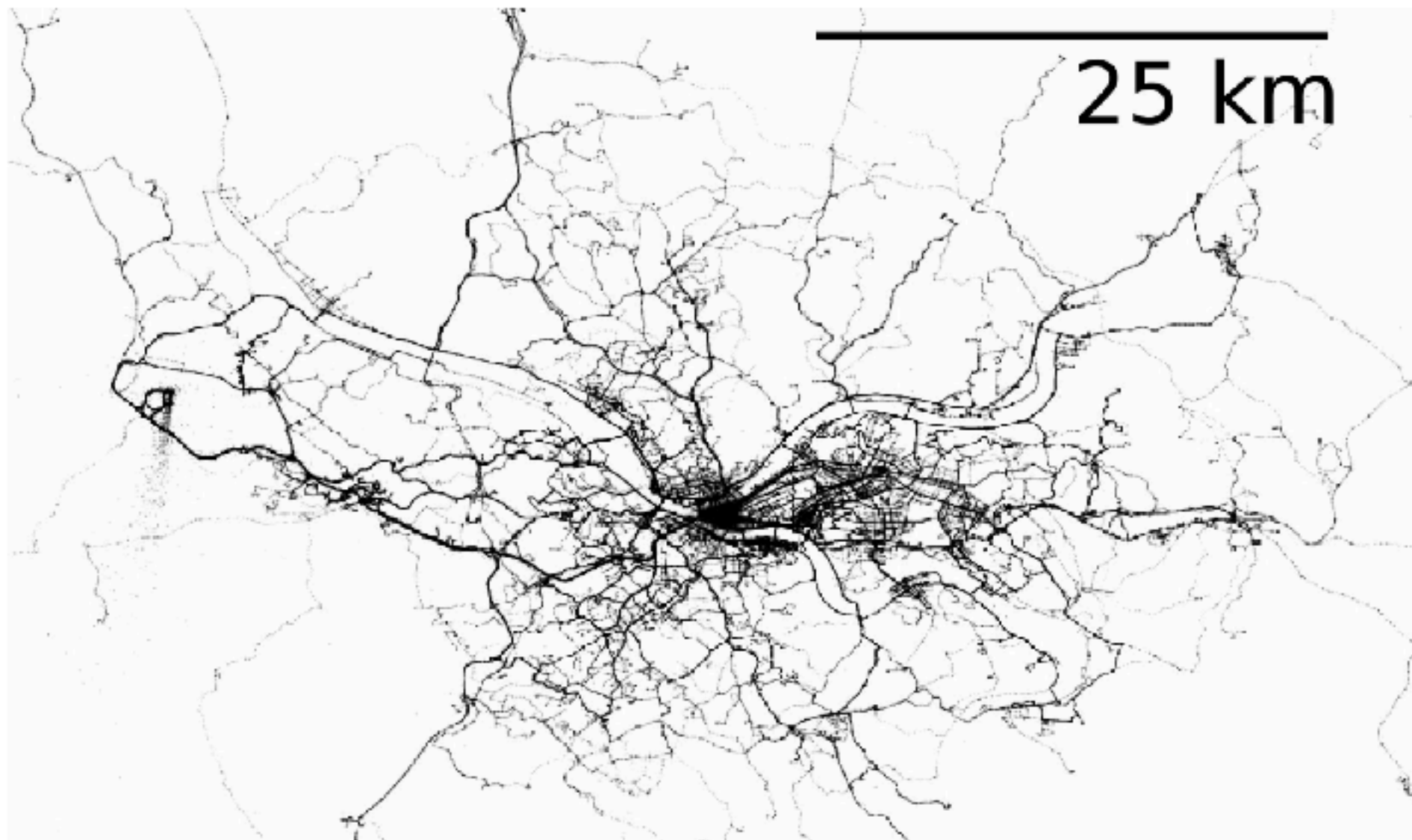


Figure 4. The collected GPS datapoints

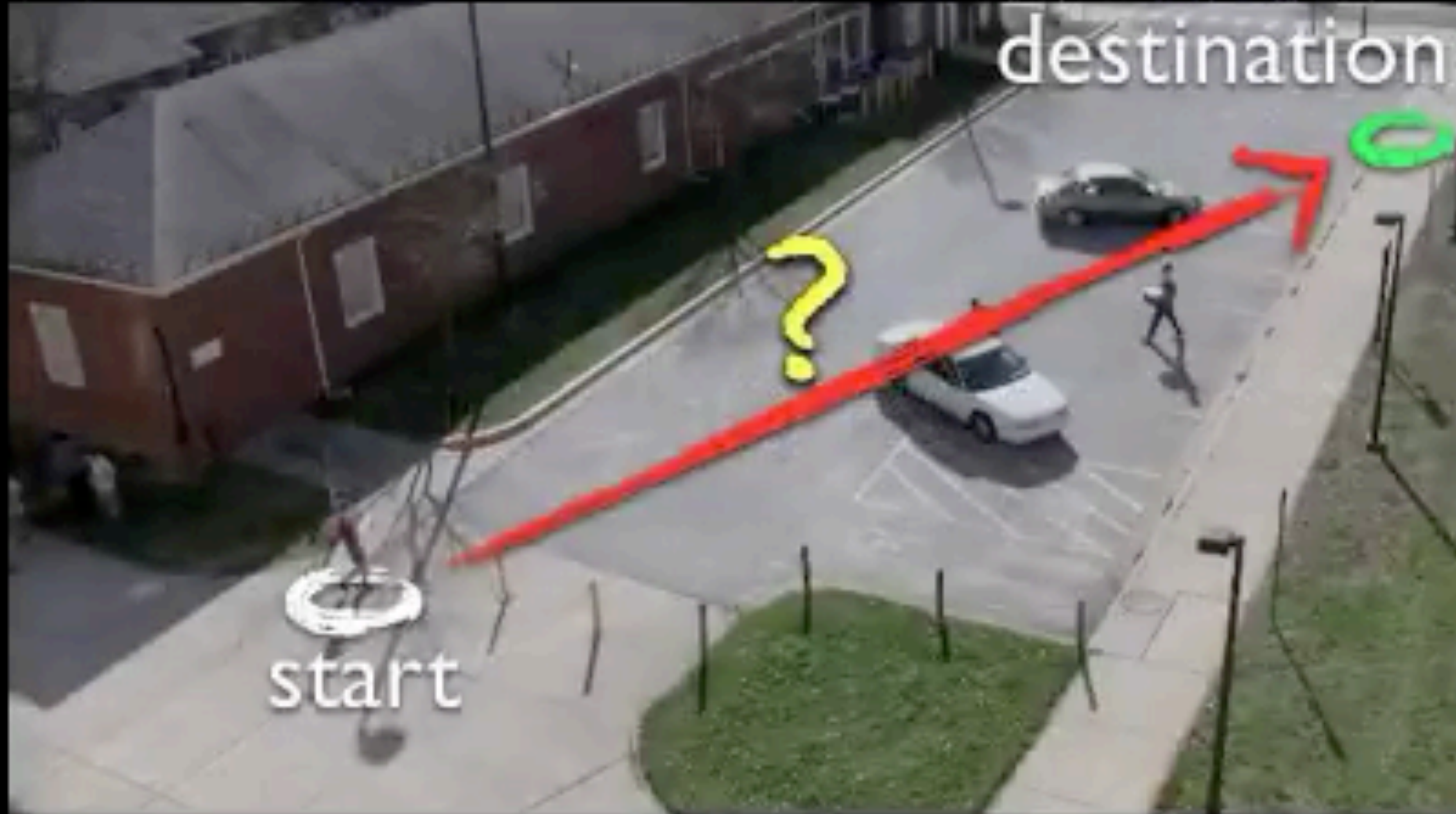
ABSTRACT

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Activity Forecasting

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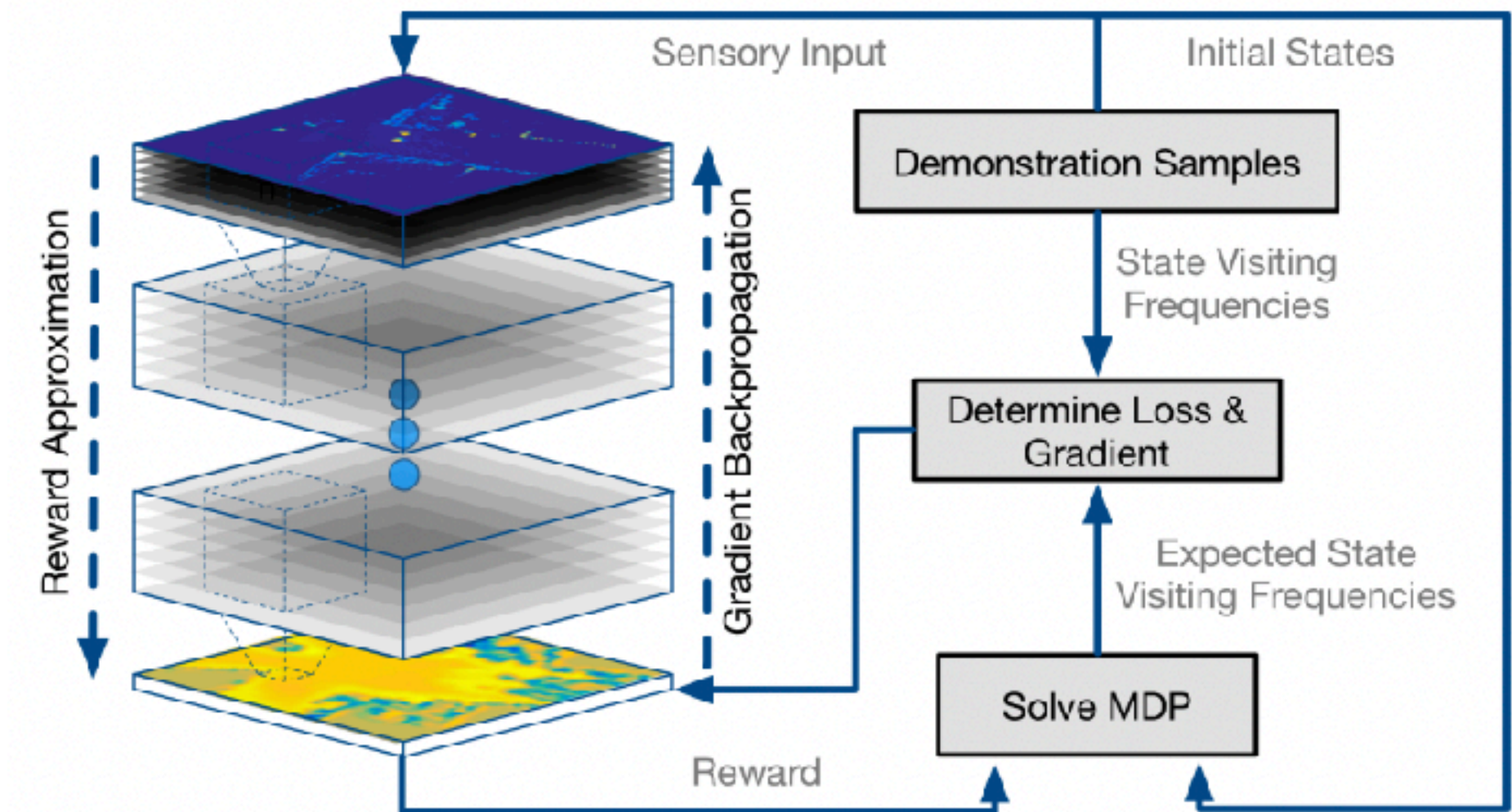


Deep Max Ent



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

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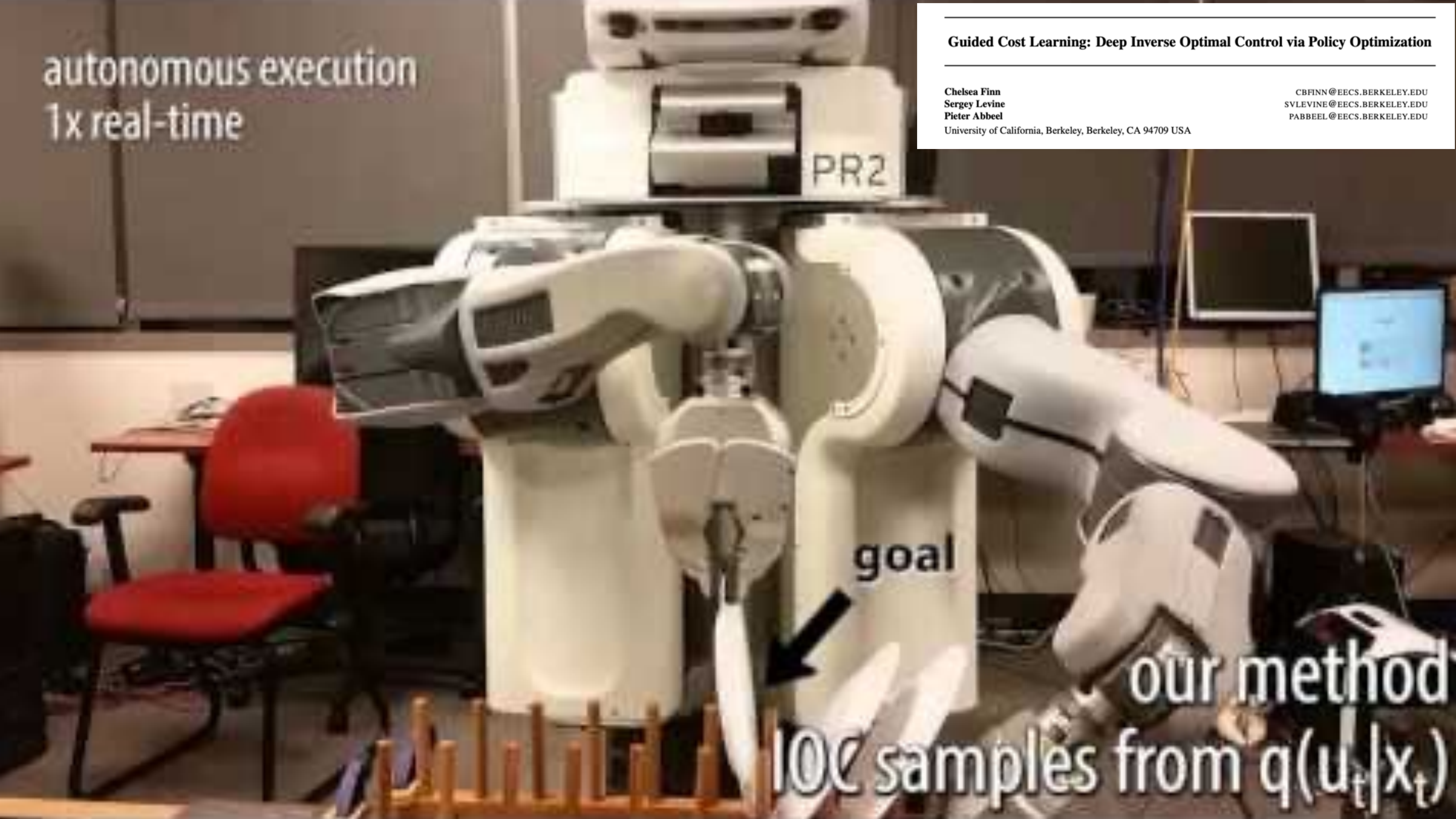
autonomous execution
1x real-time

Guided Cost Learning: Deep Inverse Optimal Control via Policy Optimization

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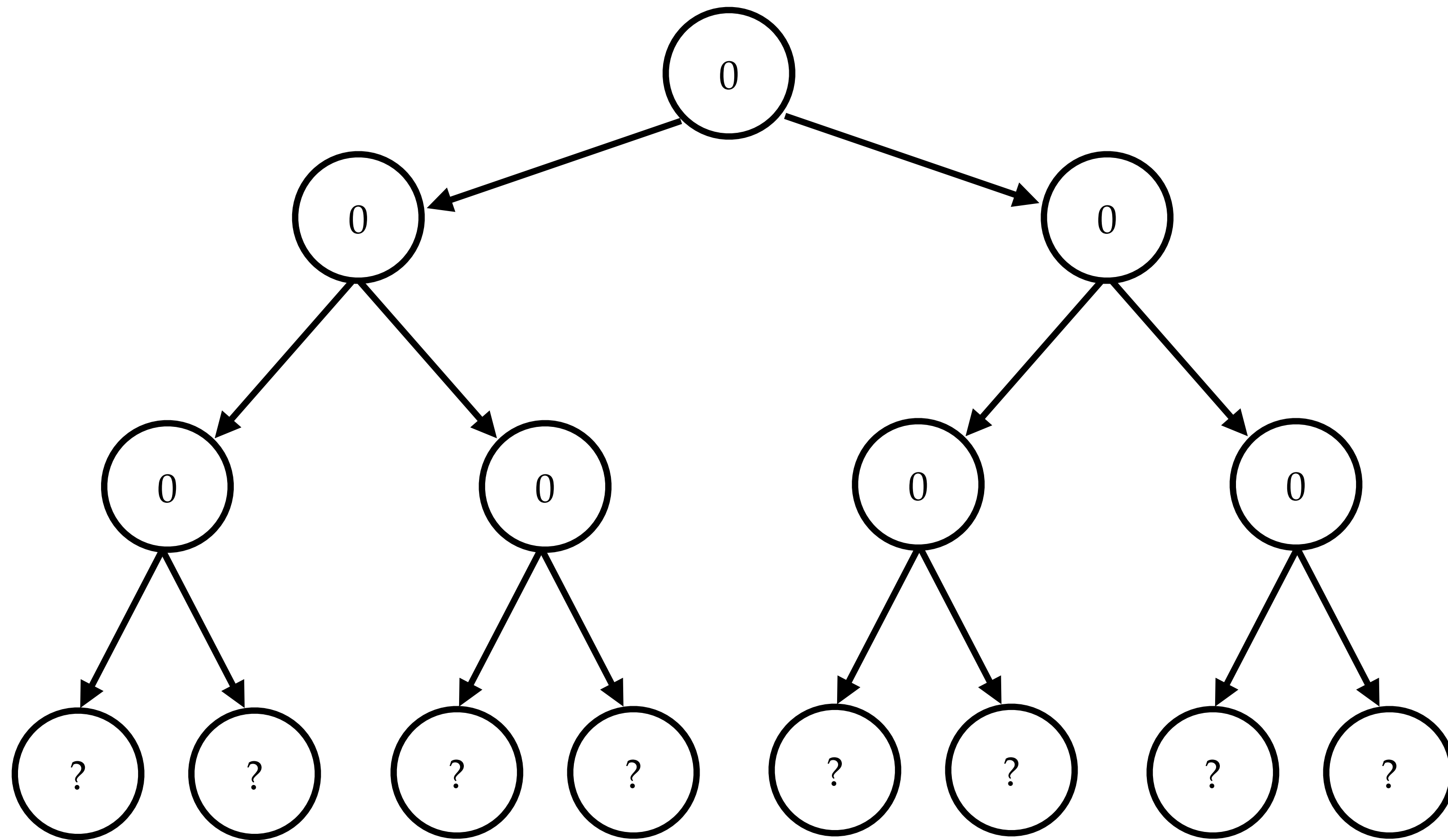
our method
100 samples from $q(u_t|x_t)$

Is IRL running a RL
algorithm in the inner
loop ?!?

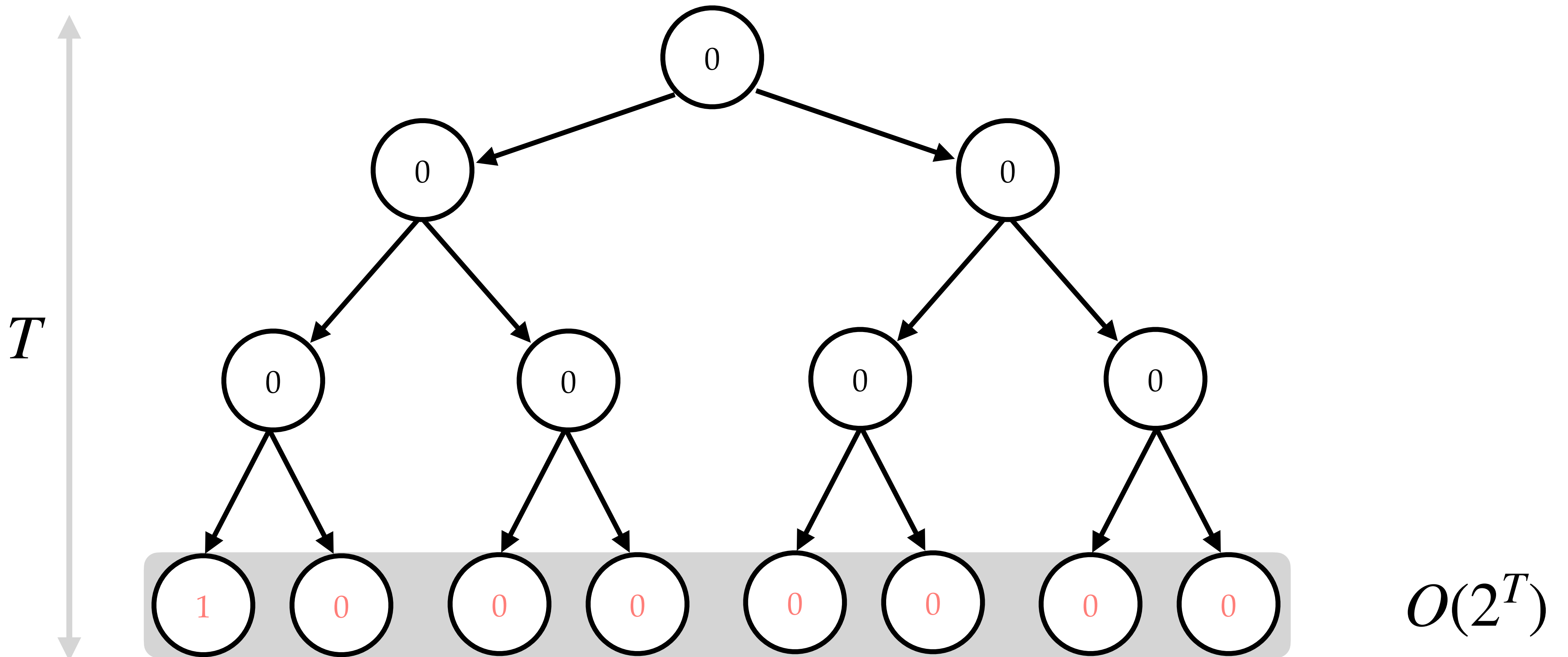
Won't that take very
long??



Complexity of IRL for a tree MDP?



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We have seen this movie
before ...

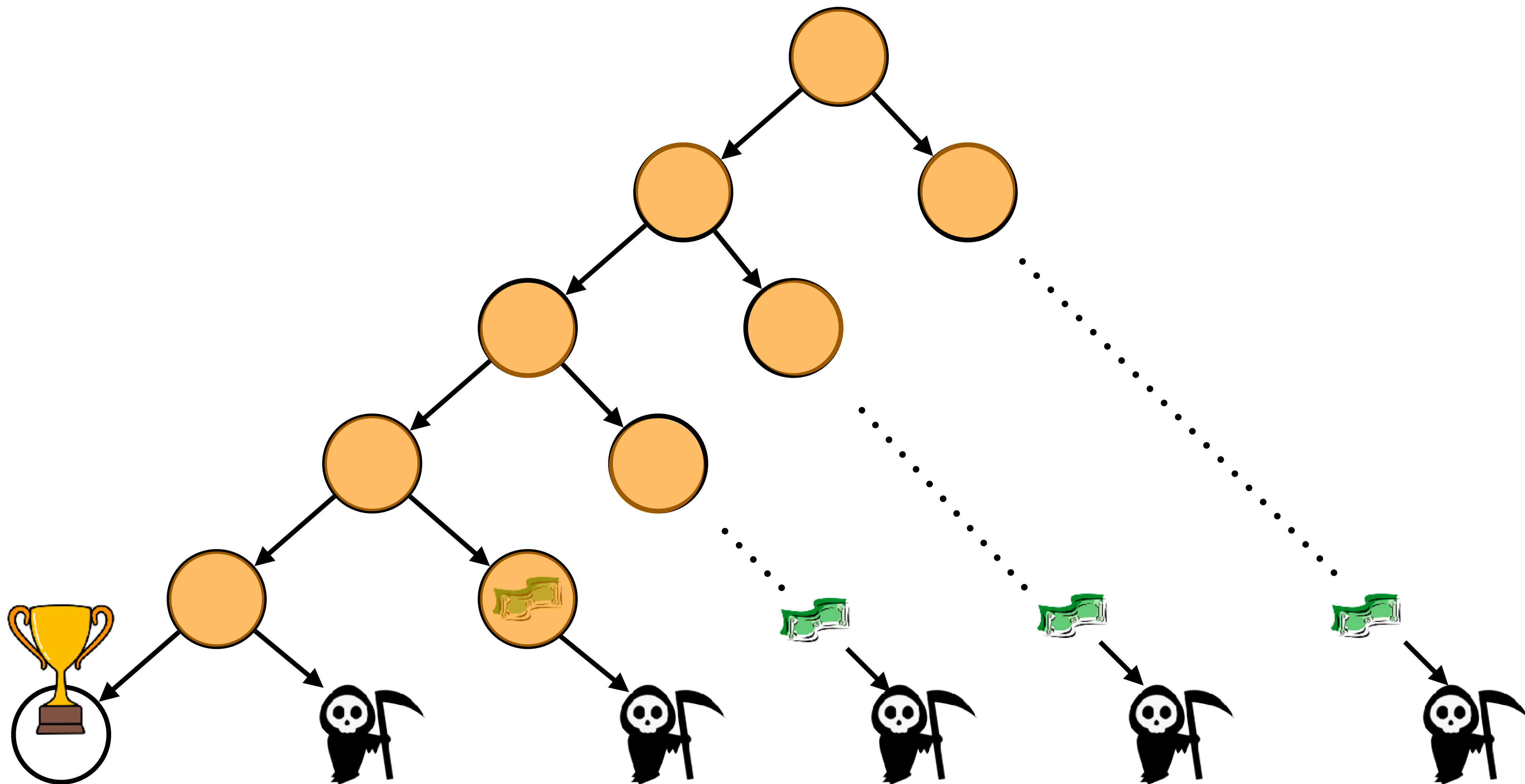




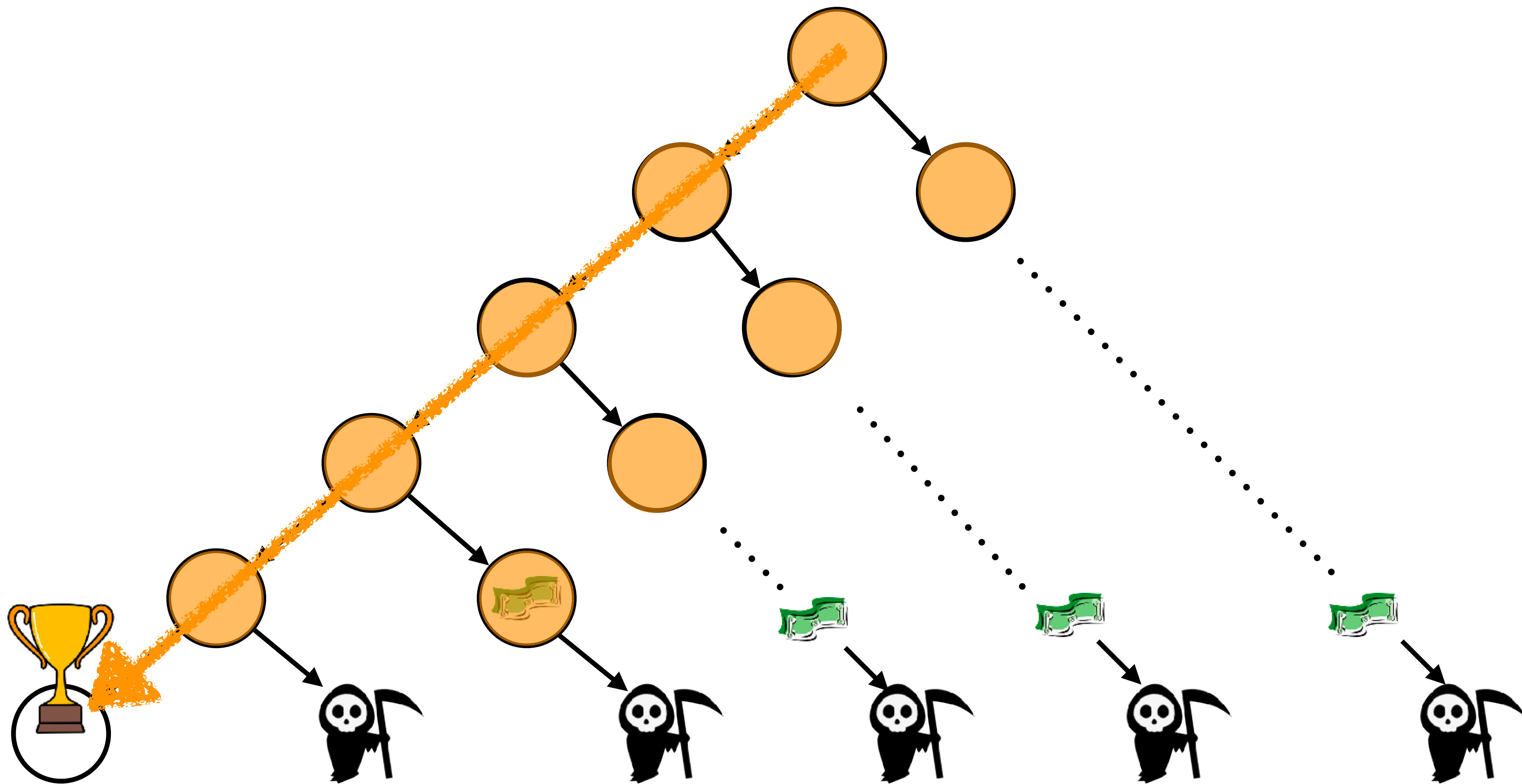
RL is like finding a


needle in an exponential haystack

RL is $\exp(T)$!



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 *Insight: We can reset the learner to states from the expert demonstrations to reduce unnecessary exploration.*

Inverse Reinforcement Learning **without** Reinforcement Learning

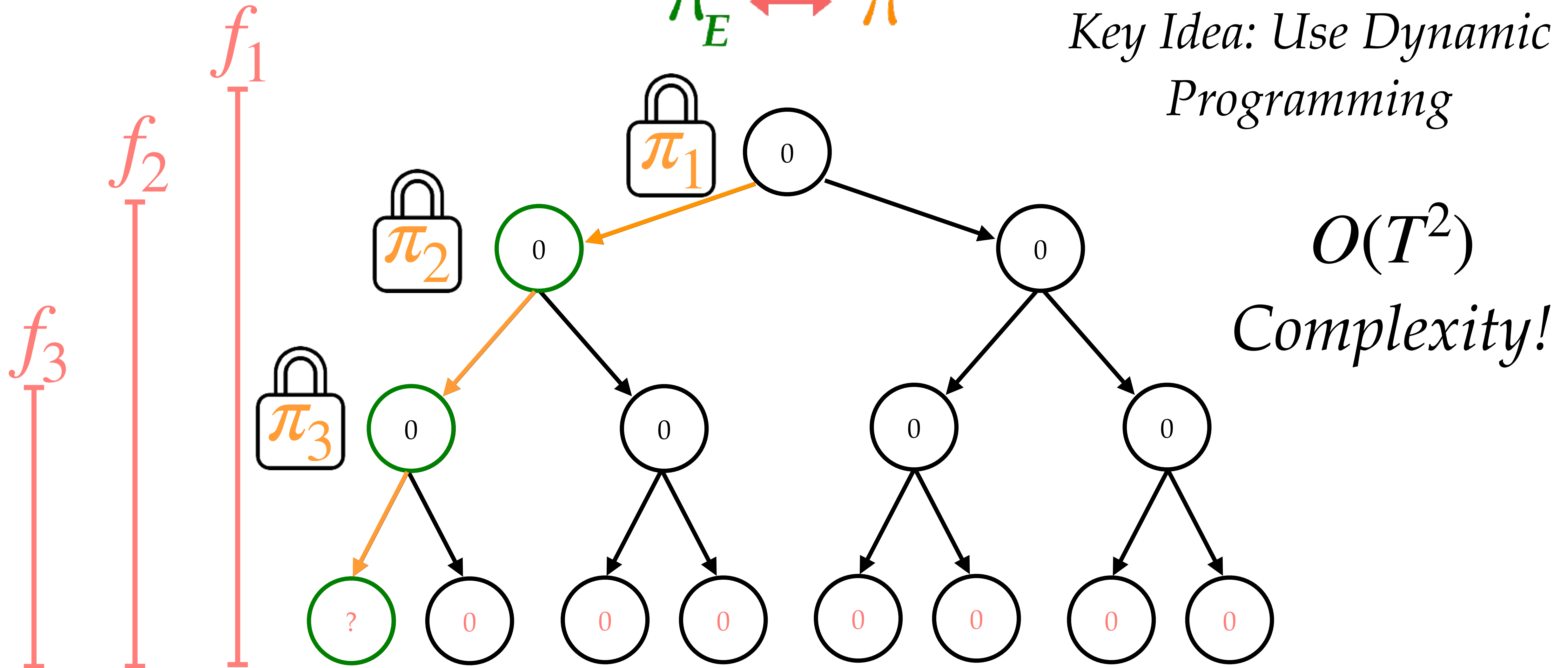


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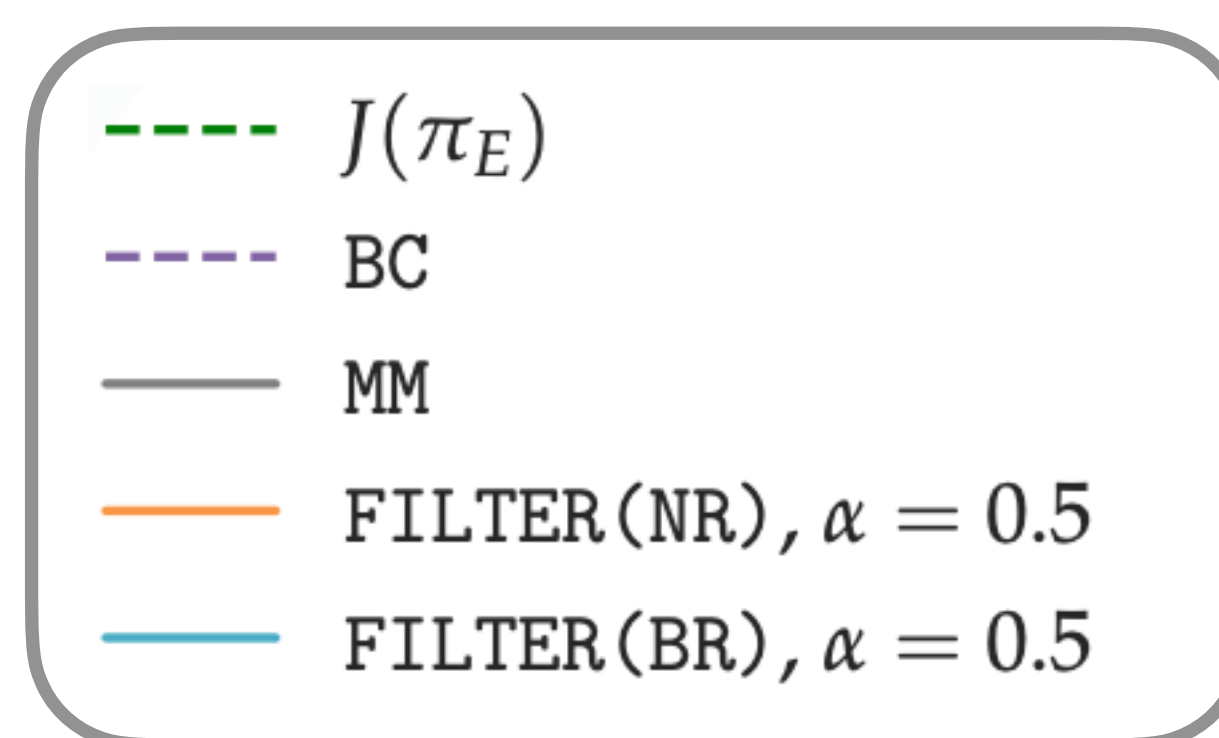
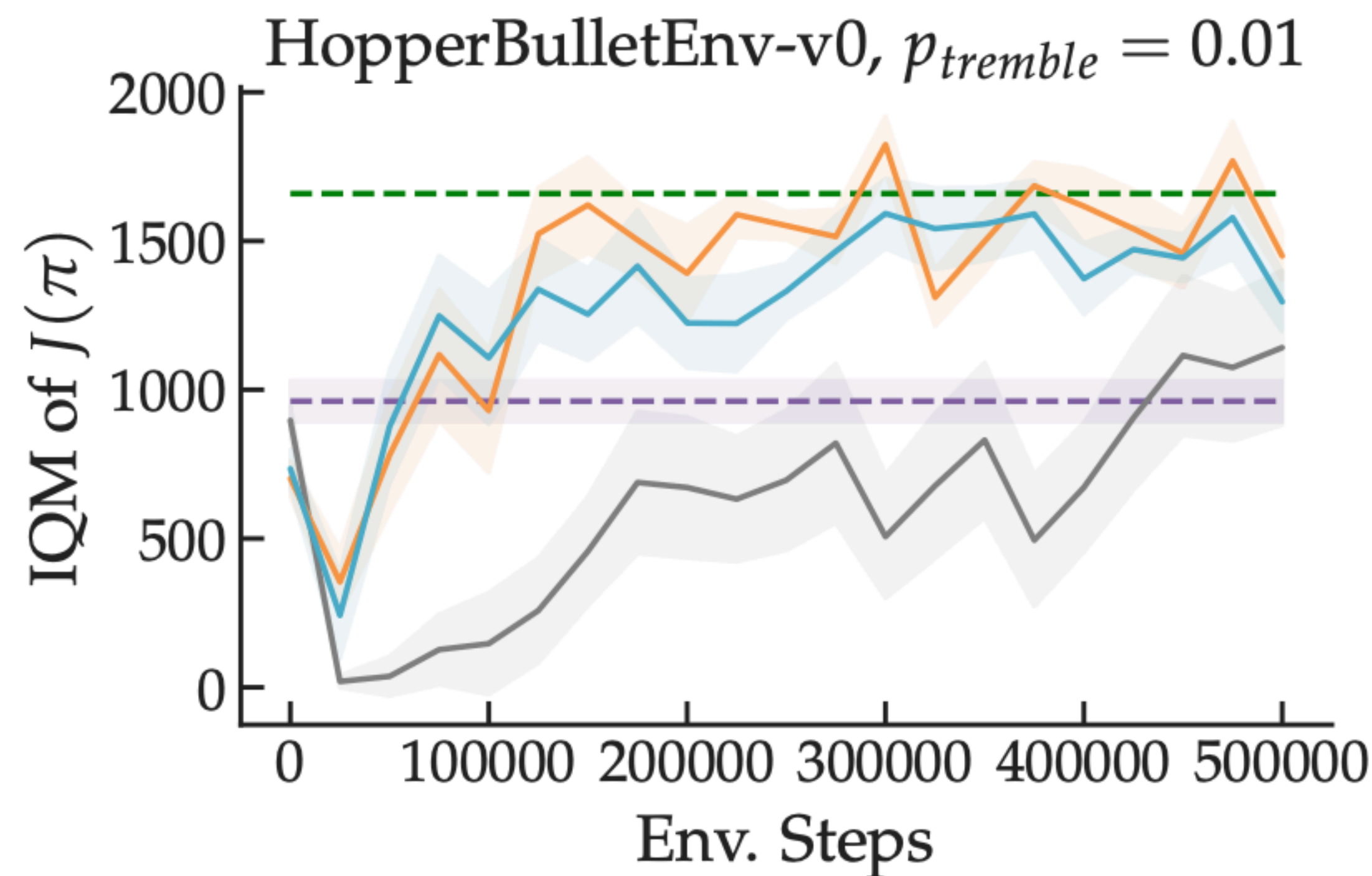
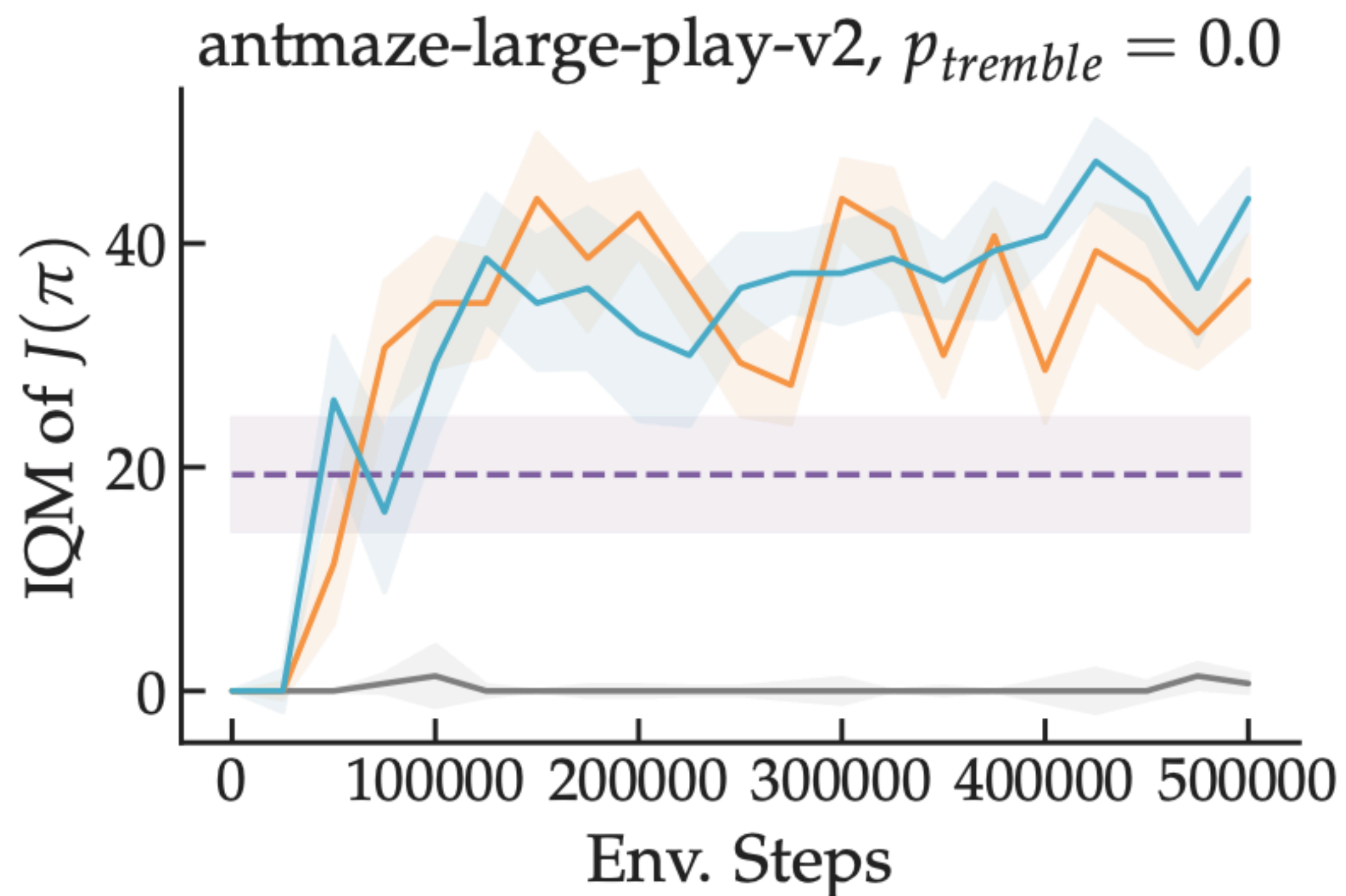
Speeding up IRL with Expert Resets

$$\pi_E \xleftrightarrow{f} \pi$$

Key Idea: Use Dynamic Programming



Expert Resets Speed Up IRL



The BIG Picture!



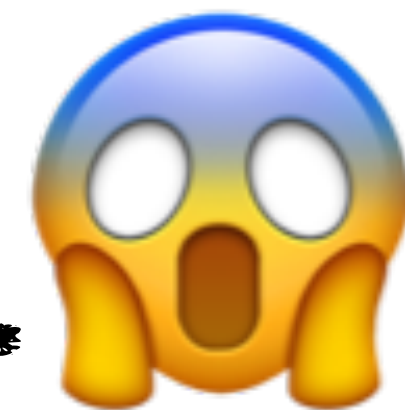
Easy



Medium



Hard



Expert is **realizable**

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

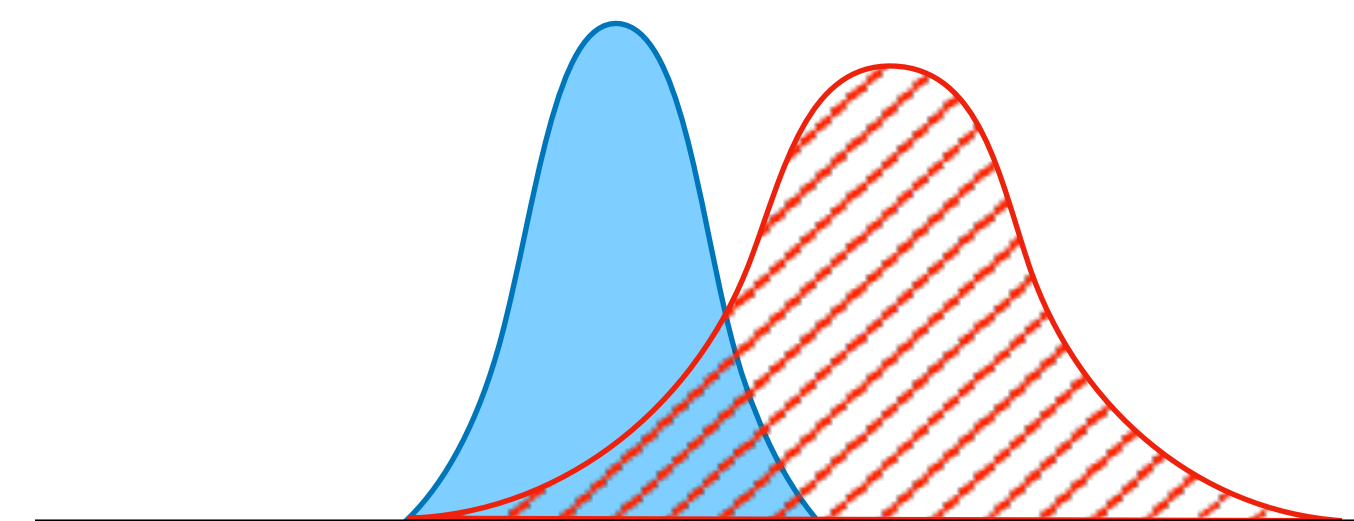
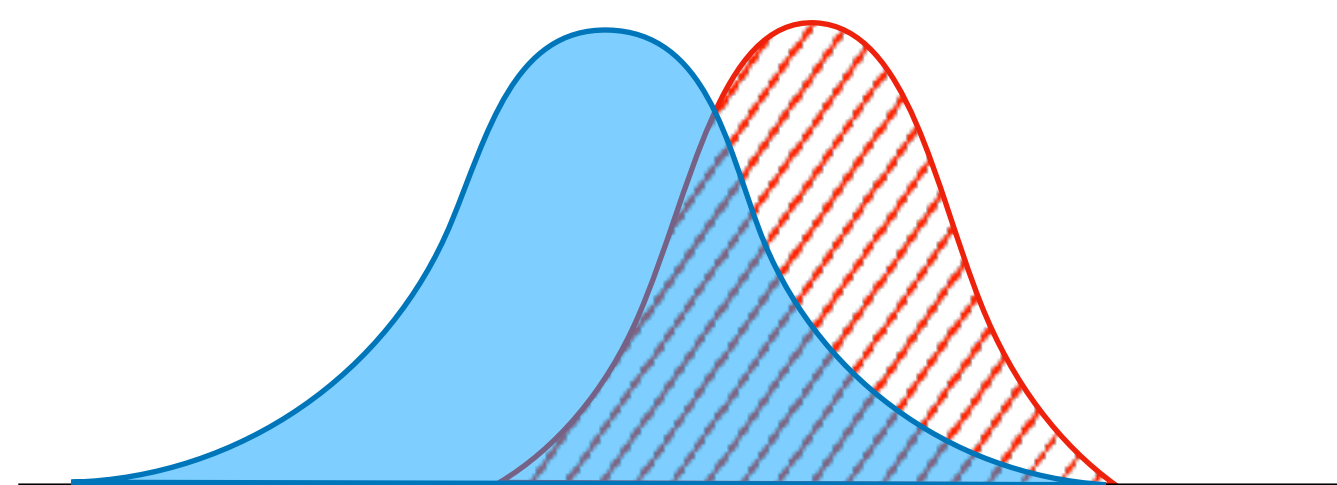
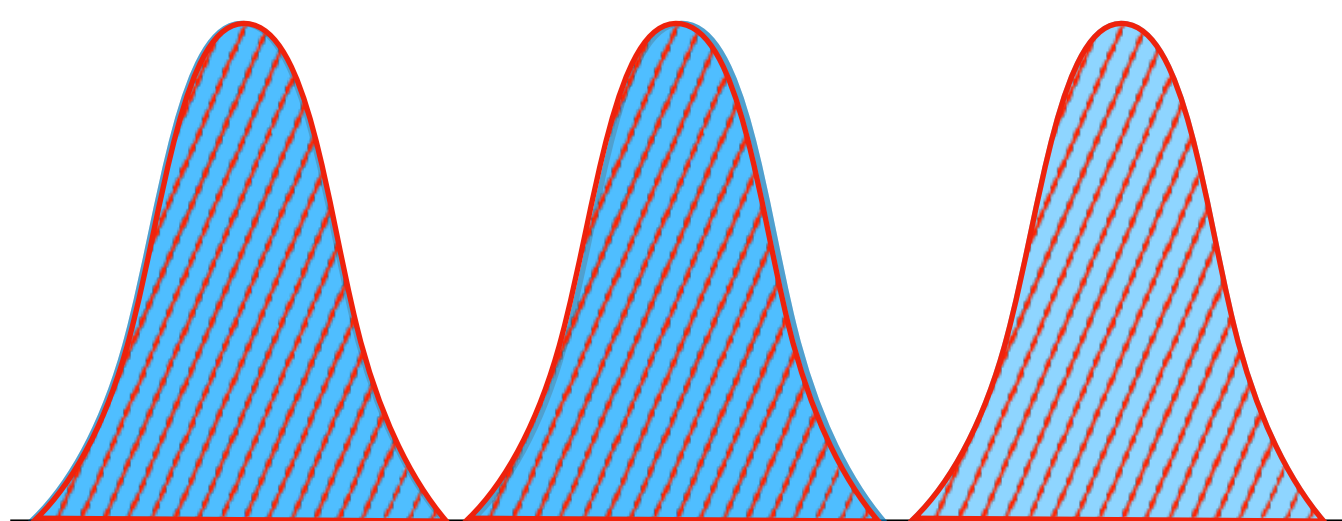
Non-realizable expert
but full expert support

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 $\Rightarrow O(\epsilon T)$