

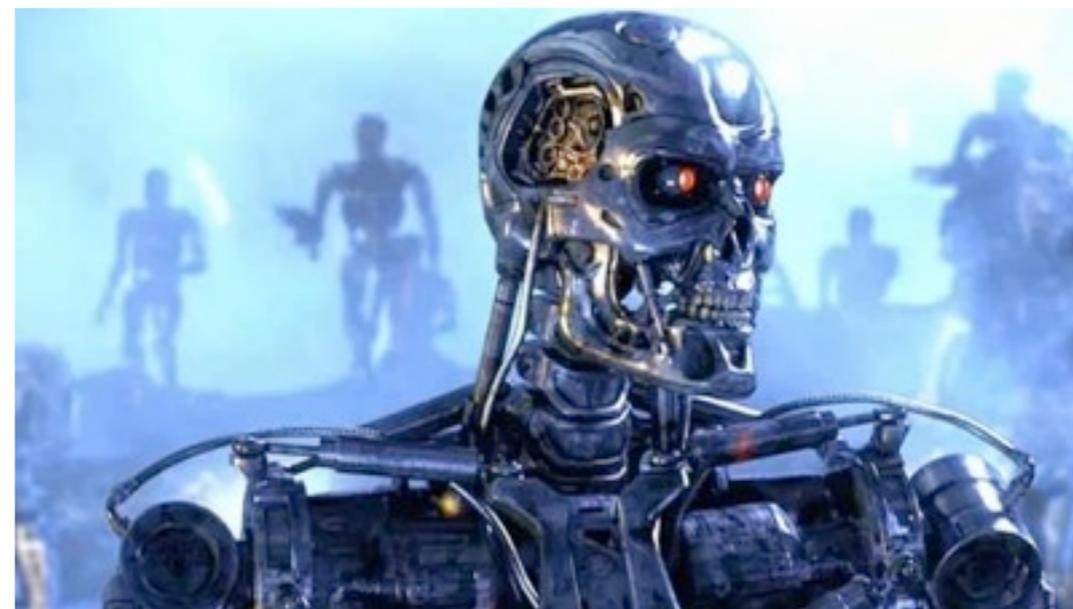
# CSE 473: Artificial Intelligence

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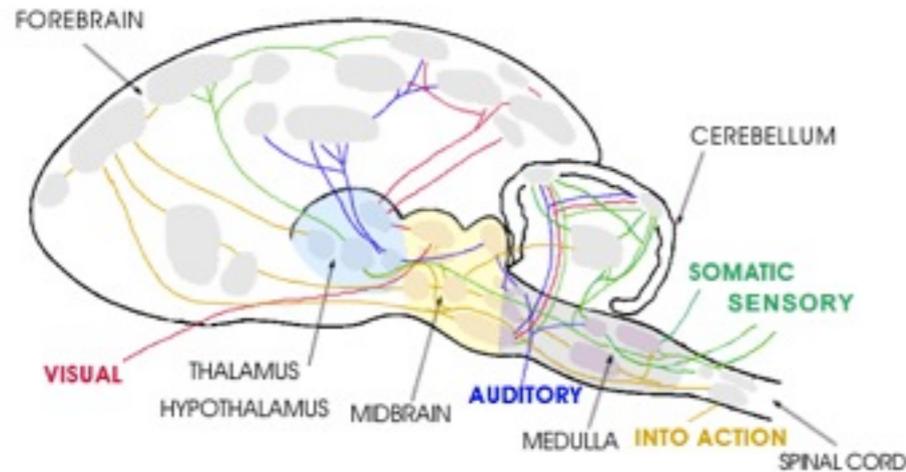
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Slides from Dan Klein, Daniel Weld, Stuart Russell, Andrew Moore

# What is AI?



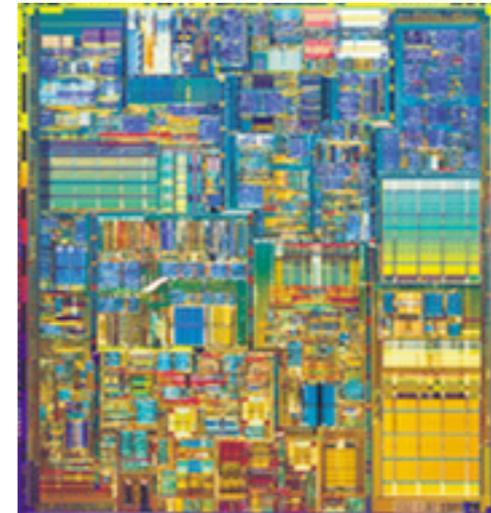
# Could We Build It?



$10^{11}$  neurons  
 $10^{14}$  synapses  
cycle time:  $10^{-3}$  sec

vs.

$10^9$  transistors  
 $10^{12}$  bits of RAM  
cycle time:  $10^{-9}$  sec



# What is CSE 473?

## Textbook:

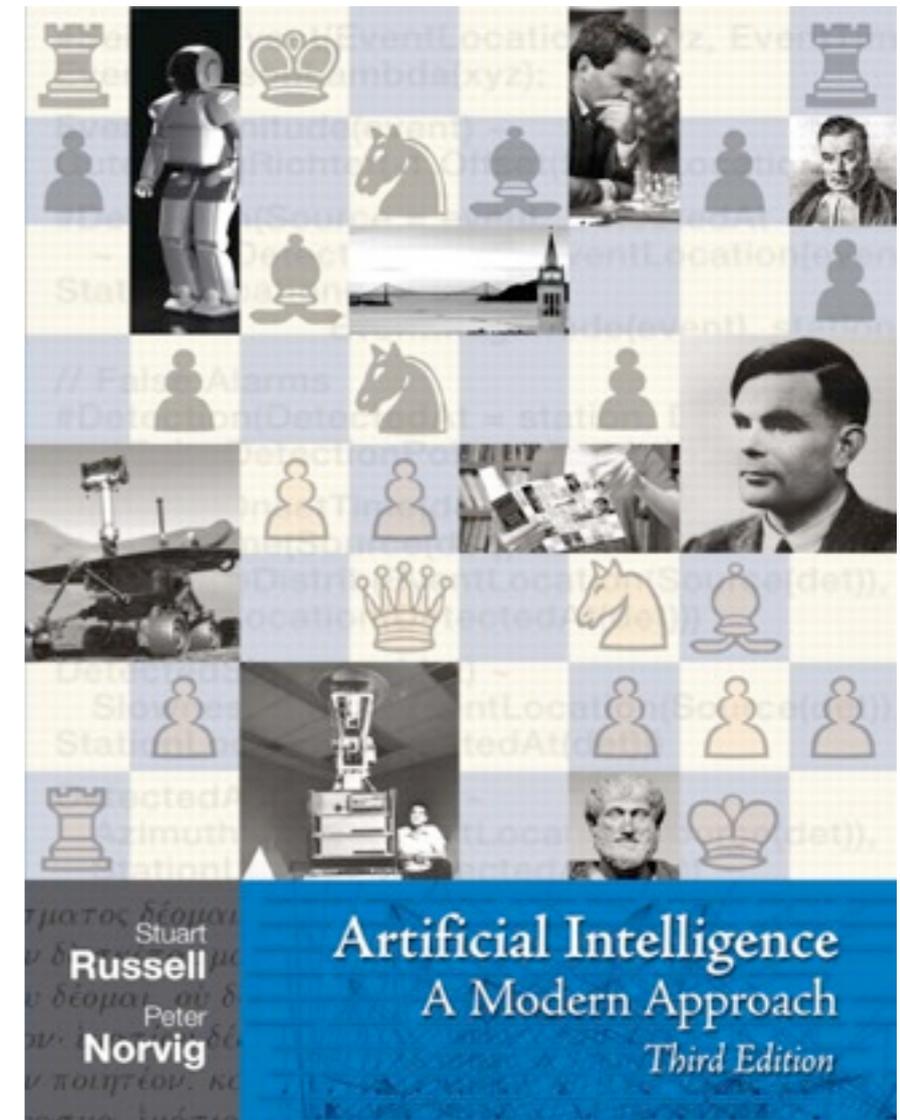
- Artificial Intelligence: A Modern Approach, Russell and Norvig (third edition)

## Prerequisites:

- Data Structures ([CSE 326](#) or [CSE 332](#)), or equivalent
- basic exposure to probability, data structures, and logic

## Work:

- Readings (mostly from text), Programming assignment (40%), written assignments (30%), final exam (30%)



# Topics

**CSE 473 - Introduction to Artificial Intelligence - Autumn 2011**  
Mon, Wed, Fri 9:30-10:20 in **MGH 231**

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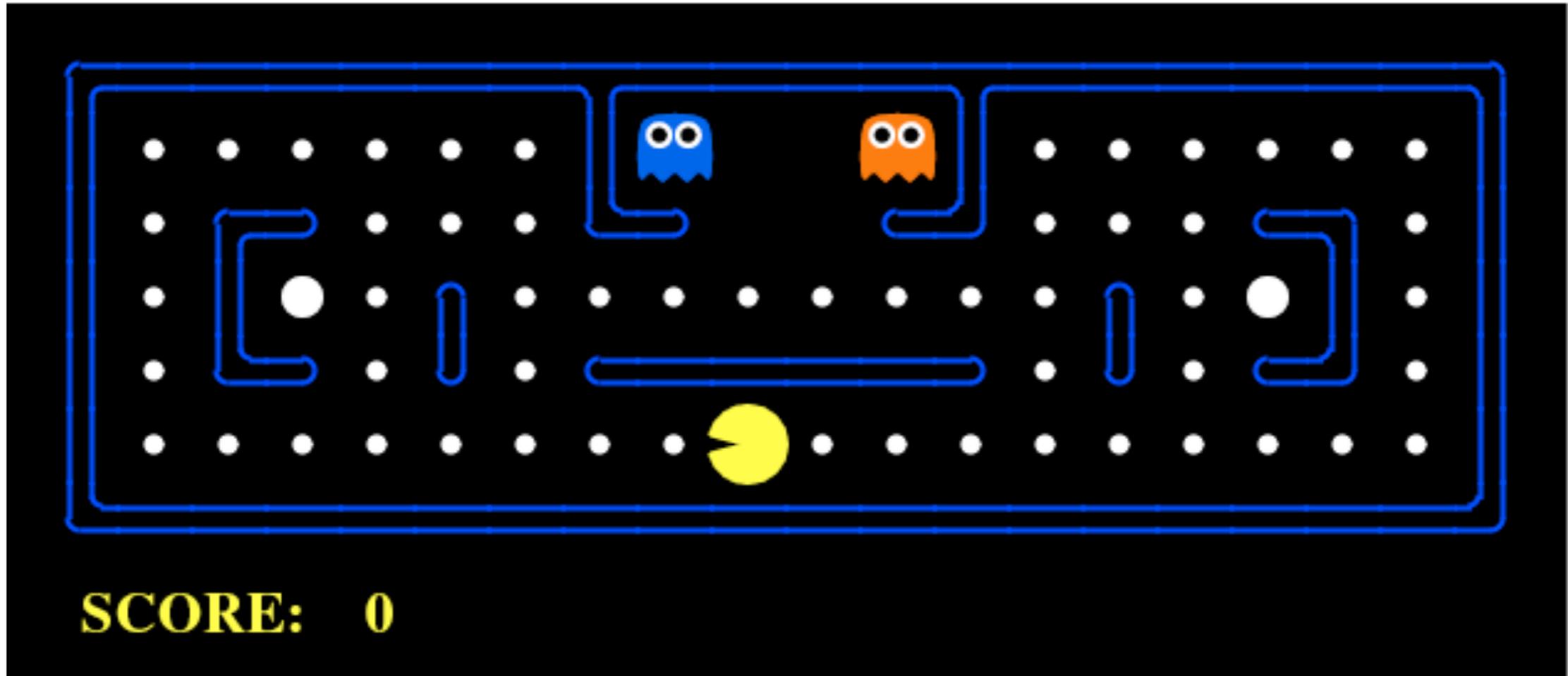
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## Schedule

Week	Dates	Topics & Lecture Notes	Readings
1	September 28, 30	Introduction, Search	R&N, Ch. 1 (Ch. 2 is optional)
2	October 3, 5, 7	Search (cont.), Heuristic Search	R&N, Ch. 3.1-3.7
3	October 10, 12, 14	Game Playing: Minimax and Expectimax	R&N, Ch. 5.1-5.9 (5.6 is optional)
4	October 17, 19, 21	Constraint Satisfaction	R&N, Ch. 6.1-6.5
5	October 24, 26, 28	Logic and Planning	R&N, Ch. 7, 8
6	October 31, November 2, 4	Markov Decision Processes	R&N, Ch. 16.1-16.3, Ch 17.1-17.3; S&B, Ch. 3-4
7	November 7, 9	Reinforcement Learning	R&N, Ch. 17.4 (also, finish previous reading)
8	November 14, 16, 18	Uncertainty, Bayesian Networks	R&N, 14.1-14.5
9	November 21, 23	Bayesian Network Inference, Hidden Markov Models	R&N, Ch. 15.1-15.6
10	November 28, 30, December 2	Machine Learning: Naive Bayes and Perceptron	R&N, Ch. 18.1, 18.4, 18.6
11	December 5, 7, 9	TBD: Advanced Topics	TBD

## Textbooks

# Assignments: Pac-man



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# Today

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- What is artificial intelligence (AI)?
- What can AI do?
- What is this course?

# What is AI?

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The science of making machines that:

Think like humans	Think rationally
Act like humans	Act rationally

# Rational Decisions

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We'll use the term **rational** in a particular way:

- Rational: maximally achieving pre-defined goals
- Rational only concerns what decisions are made  
(not the thought process behind them)
- Goals are expressed in terms of the **utility** of outcomes
- Being rational means **maximizing your expected utility**

A better title for this course would be:

**Computational Rationality**

# A (Short) History of AI

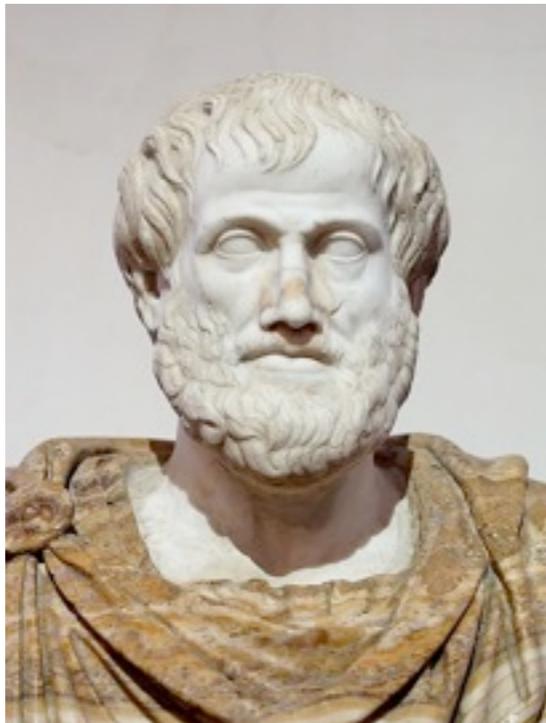
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- Prehistory
- 1940-1950: Early days
- 1950—70: Excitement: Look, Ma, no hands!
- 1970—88: Knowledge-based approaches
- 1988—: Statistical approaches
- 2000—: Where are we now?

# Prehistory

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- **Logical Reasoning:** (4<sup>th</sup> C BC+) Aristotle, George Boole, Gottlob Frege, Alfred Tarski
- **Probabilistic Reasoning:** (16<sup>th</sup> C+) Gerolamo Cardano, Pierre Fermat, James Bernoulli, Thomas Bayes



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# 1940-1950: Early Days

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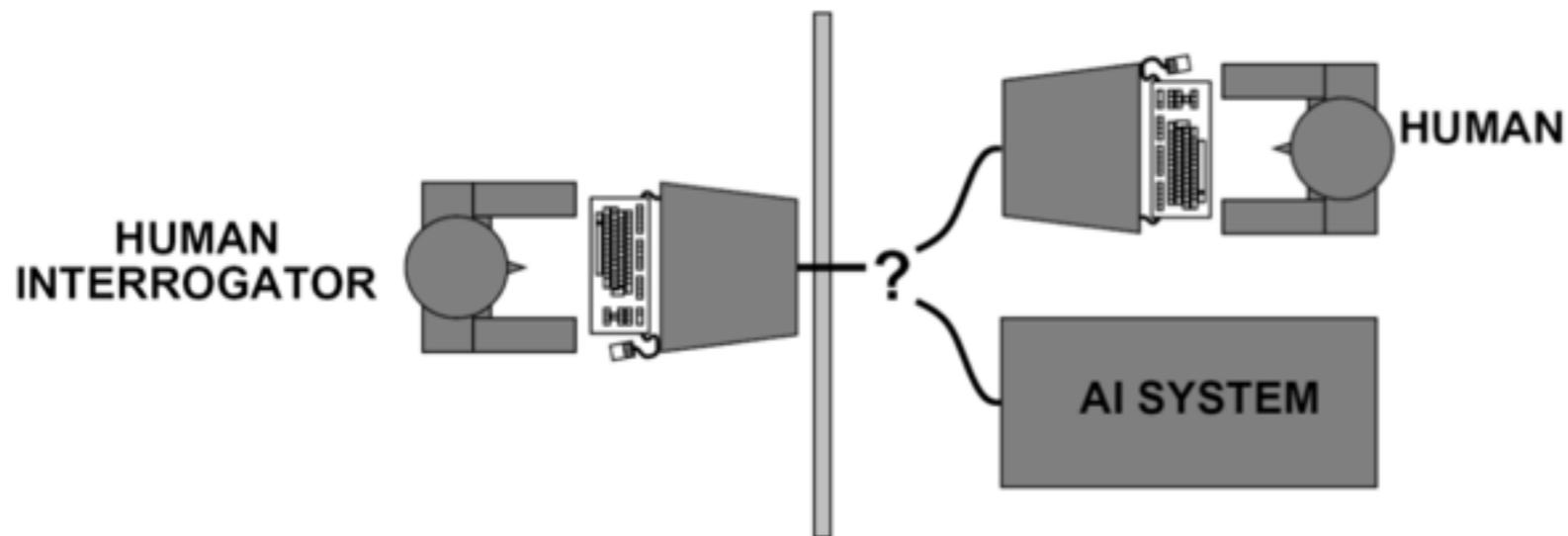
- 1943: McCulloch & Pitts: Boolean circuit model of brain
- 1950: Turing's "Computing Machinery and Intelligence"

I propose to consider the question, "Can machines think?" This should begin with definitions of the meaning of the terms "machine" and "think." The definitions might be framed...

-Alan Turing

# The Turing Test

- Turing (1950) “Computing machinery and intelligence”
  - “Can machines think?” → “Can machines behave intelligently?”
  - The *Imitation Game*:



- Suggested major components of AI: knowledge, reasoning, language understanding, learning

# 1950-1970: Excitement

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- 1950s: Early AI programs, including Samuel's checkers program, Newell & Simon's Logic Theorist, Gelernter's Geometry Engine
- 1956: Dartmouth meeting: “Artificial Intelligence” adopted
- 1965: Robinson's complete algorithm for logical reasoning

“Over Christmas, Allen Newell and I created a thinking machine.”

-Herbert Simon

# 1970-1980: Knowledge Based Systems

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- 1969-79: Early development of knowledge-based systems
- 1980-88: Expert systems industry booms
- 1988-93: Expert systems industry busts: “AI Winter”

The knowledge engineer practices the art of bringing the principles and tools of AI research to bear on difficult applications problems requiring experts' knowledge for their solution.

- Edward Felgenbaum in “The Art of Artificial Intelligence”

# 1988--: Statistical Approaches

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- 1985-1990: Probability and Decision Theory win - Pearl, Bayes Nets
- 1990-2000: Machine learning takes over subfields: Vision, Natural Language, etc.
- Agents, uncertainty, and learning systems... “AI Spring”?

"Every time I fire a linguist, the performance of the speech recognizer goes up"

-Fred Jelinek, IBM Speech Team

# What Can AI Do?

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Quiz: Which of the following can be done at present?

- Play a decent game of soccer?
- Drive safely along a curving mountain road?
- Drive safely along University Way?
- Buy a week's worth of groceries on the web?
- Buy a week's worth of groceries at QFC?
- Make breakfast?
- Discover and prove a new mathematical theorem?
- Converse successfully with another person for an hour?
- Perform a complex surgical operation?
- Unload a dishwasher and put everything away?
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# Robocup



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# Google Car



**LOOK, NO HANDS!**  
INTRODUCING THE DRIVERLESS CAR

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# Pancakes Anyone?

## **Robot Motor Skill Coordination with EM-based Reinforcement Learning**

**Petar Kormushev, Sylvain Calinon,  
and Darwin G. Caldwell**

**Italian Institute of Technology**

# Cookies?

## BakeBot: Motion Planning for Cooking

Mario Bollini and Daniela Rus

CSAIL, MIT



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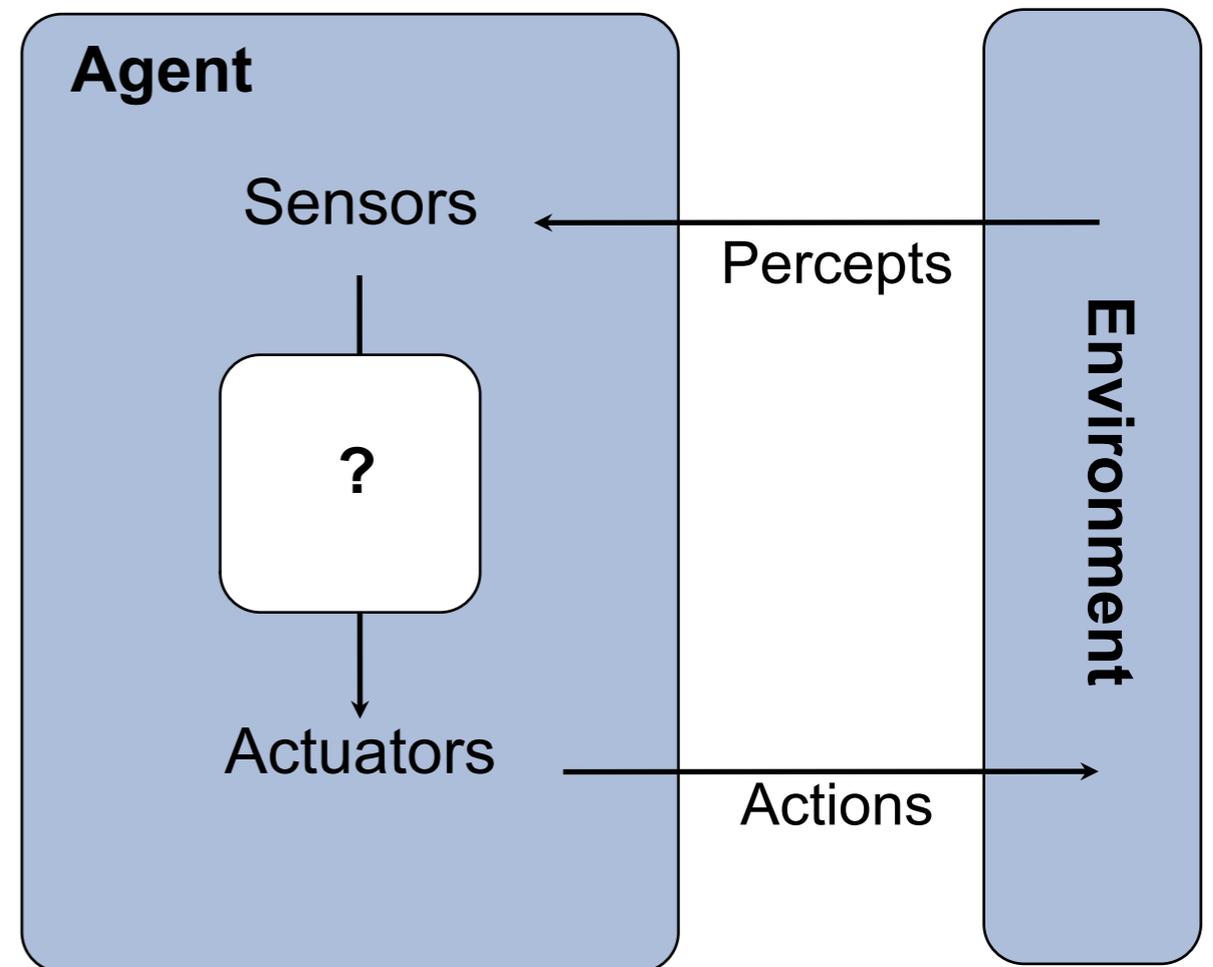
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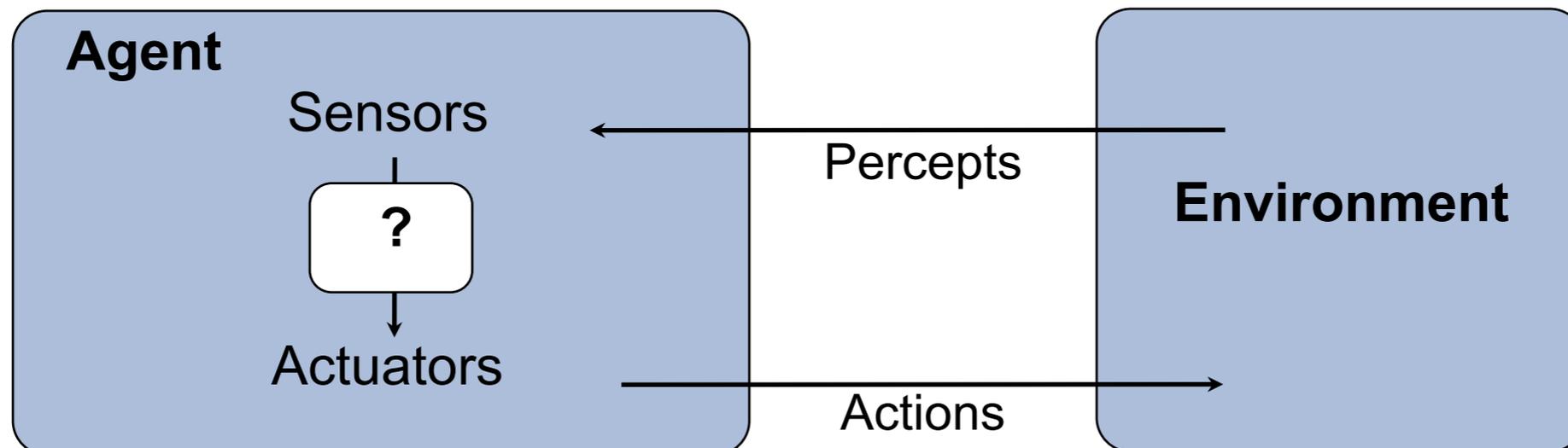
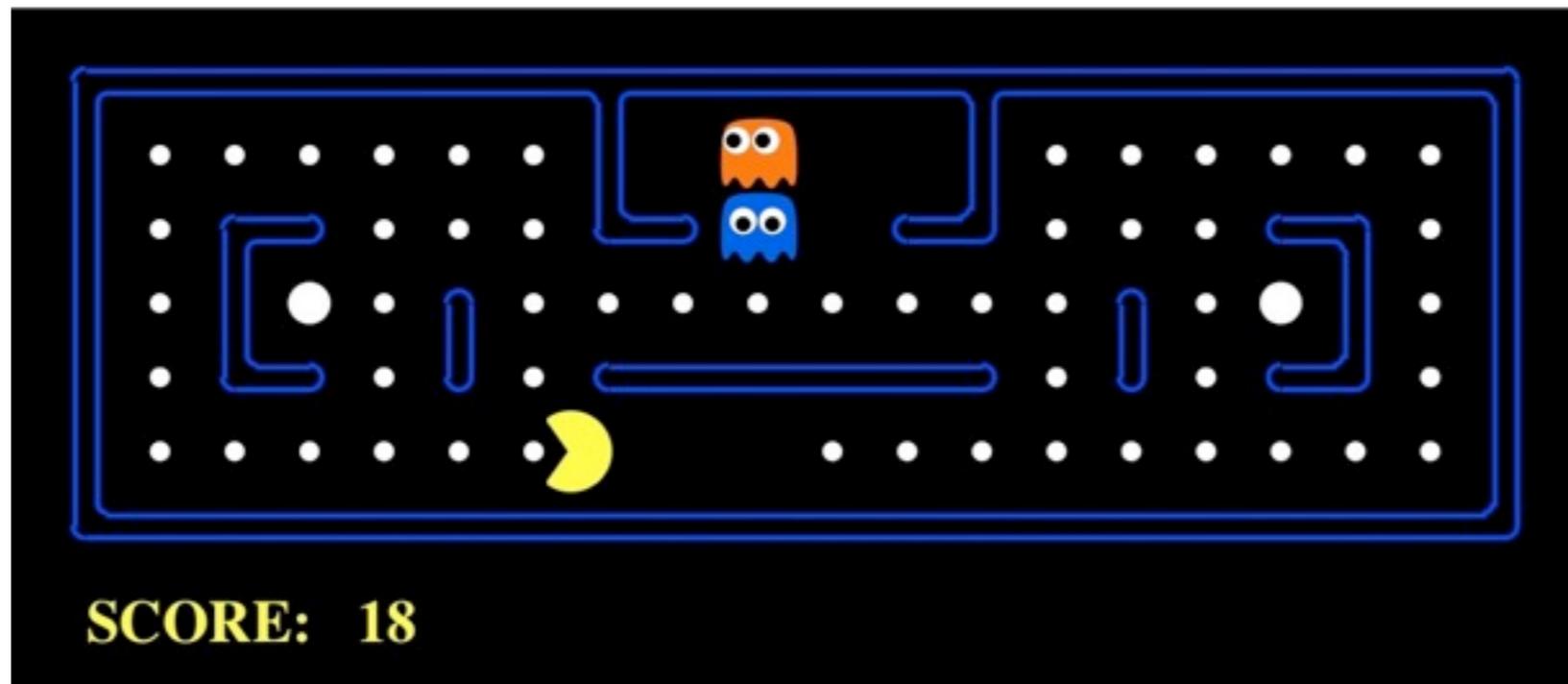
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# Designing Rational Agents

- An **agent** is an entity that *perceives* and *acts*.
- A **rational agent** selects actions that maximize its **utility function**.
- Characteristics of the **percepts**, **environment**, and **action space** dictate techniques for selecting rational actions.
- This course is about:
  - General AI techniques for a variety of problem types
  - Learning to recognize when and how a new problem can be solved with an existing technique



# Pacman as an Agent



# Types of Environments

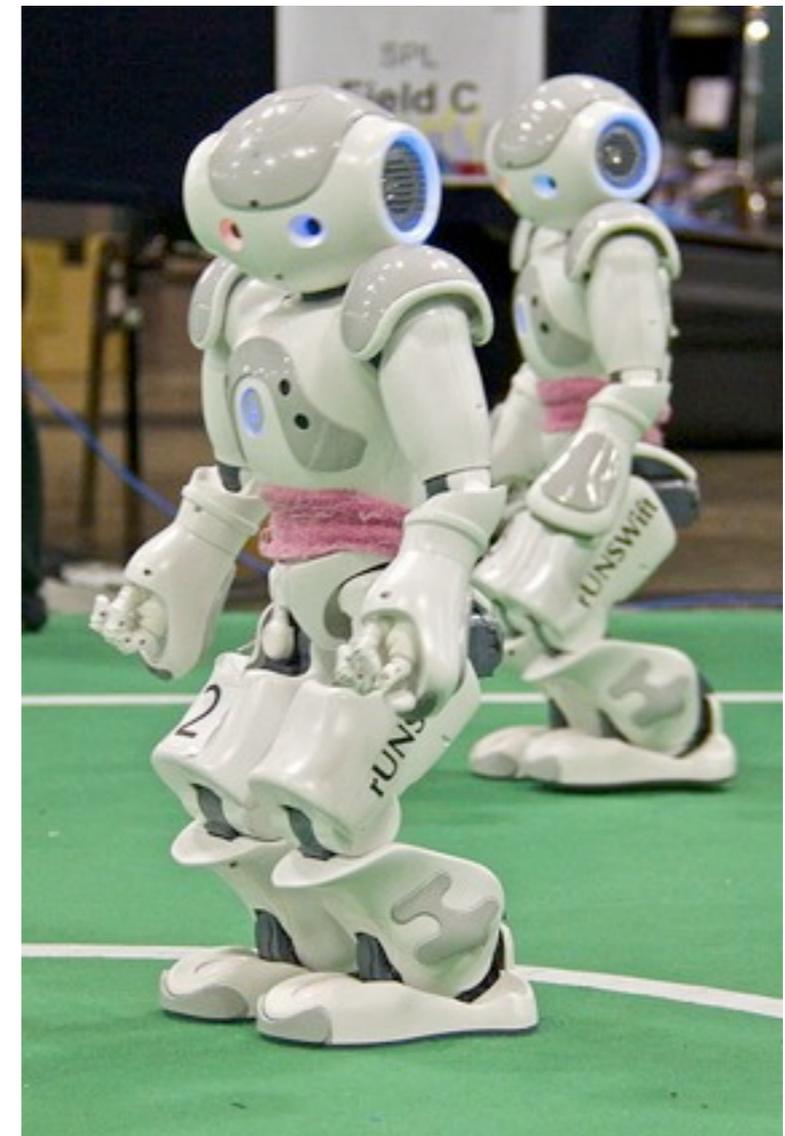
- Fully observable vs. partially observable
- Single agent vs. multiagent
- Deterministic vs. stochastic
- Episodic vs. sequential
- Discrete vs. continuous

# Fully observable vs. Partially observable

Can the agent observe the complete state of the environment?



vs.



# Single agent vs. Multiagent

Is the agent the only thing acting in the world?



vs.



# Deterministic vs. Stochastic

Is there uncertainty in how the world works?

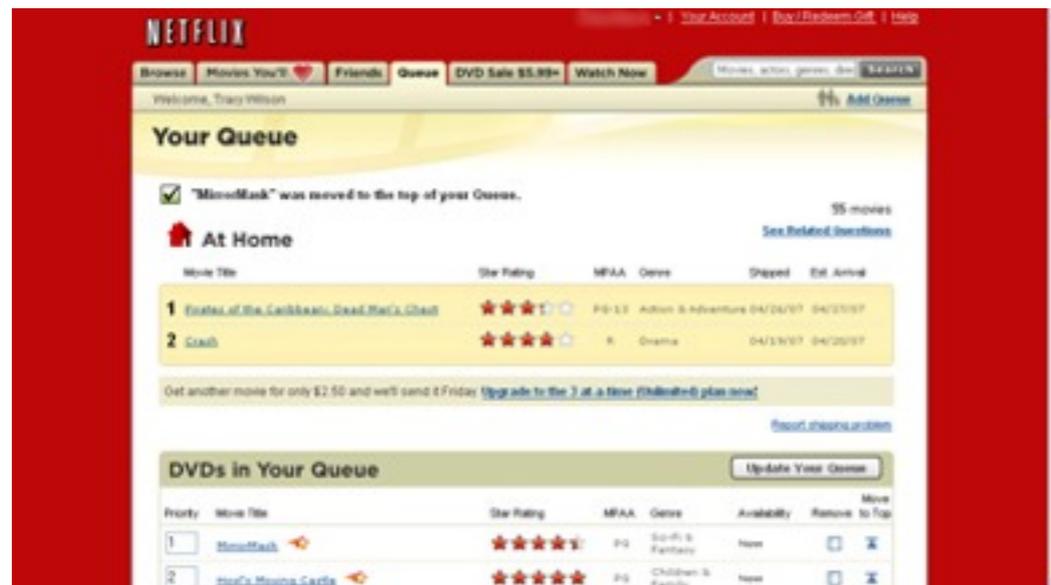


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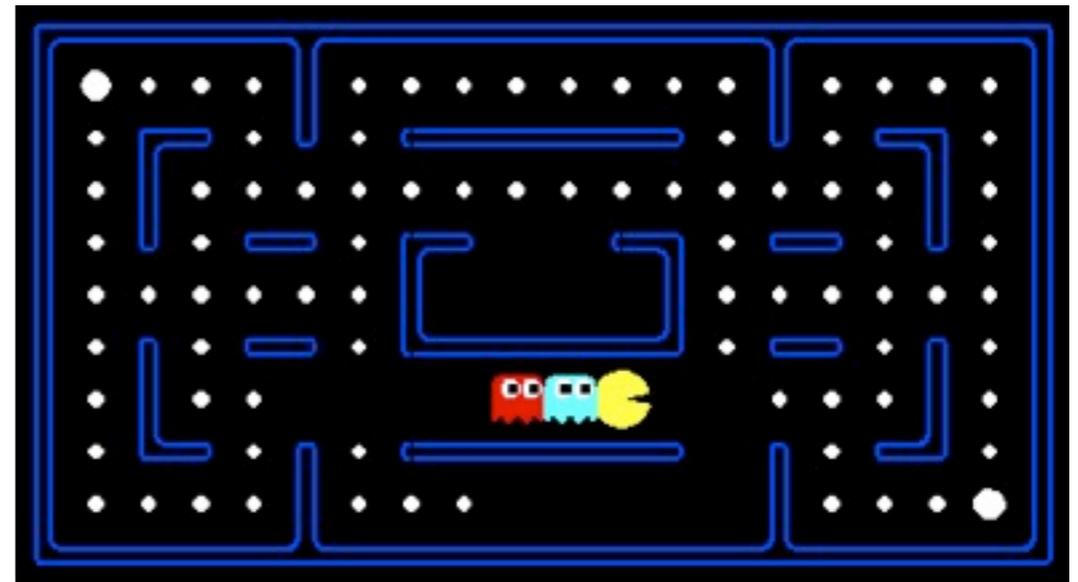


# Episodic vs. Sequential

Does the agent take more than one action?

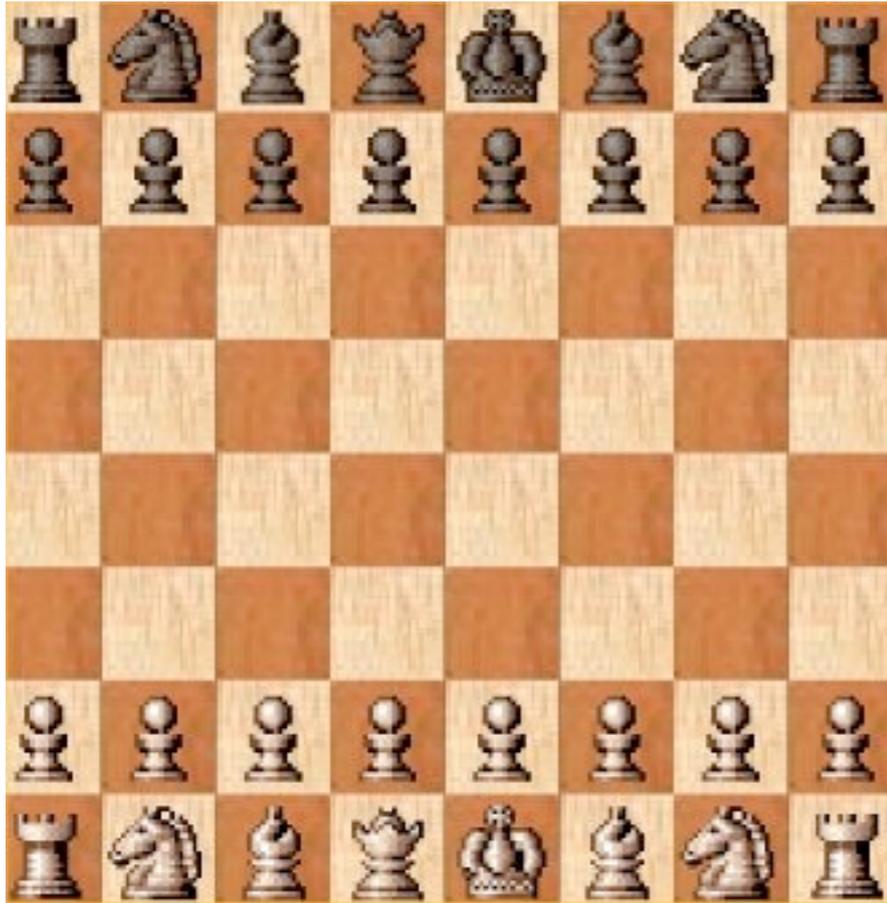


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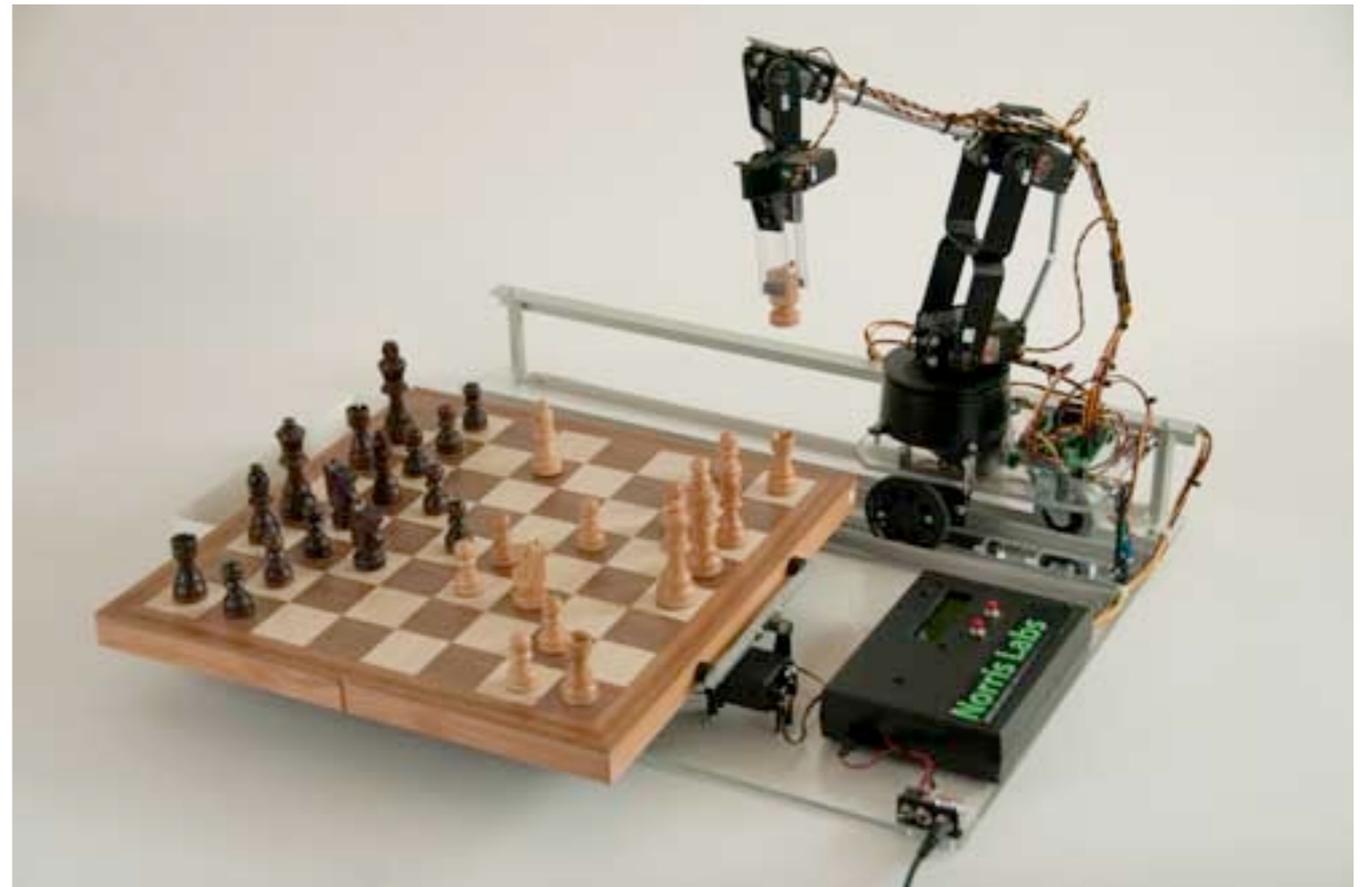


# Discrete vs. Continuous

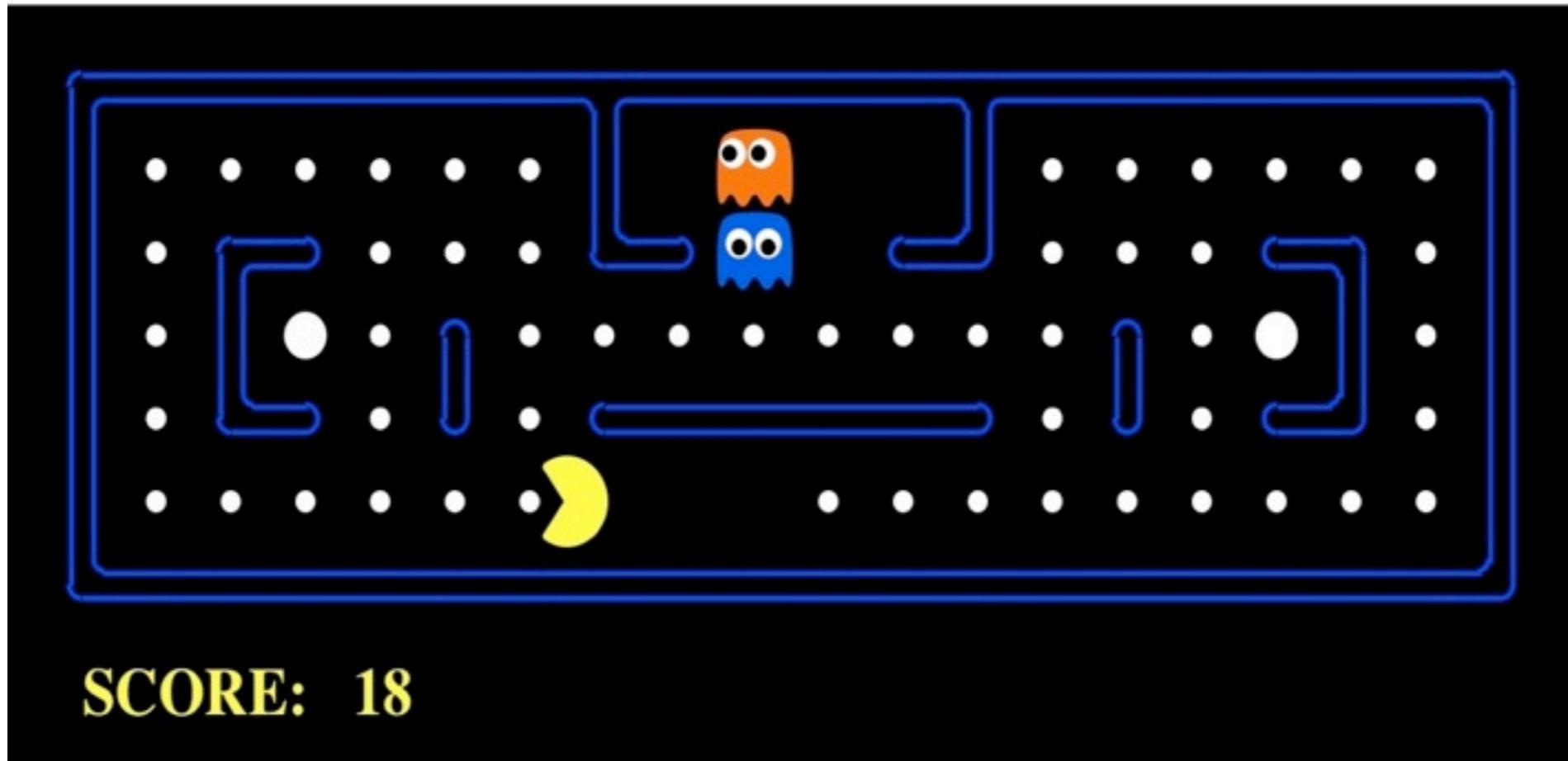
Is there a finite (or countable) number of possible environment states?



vs.



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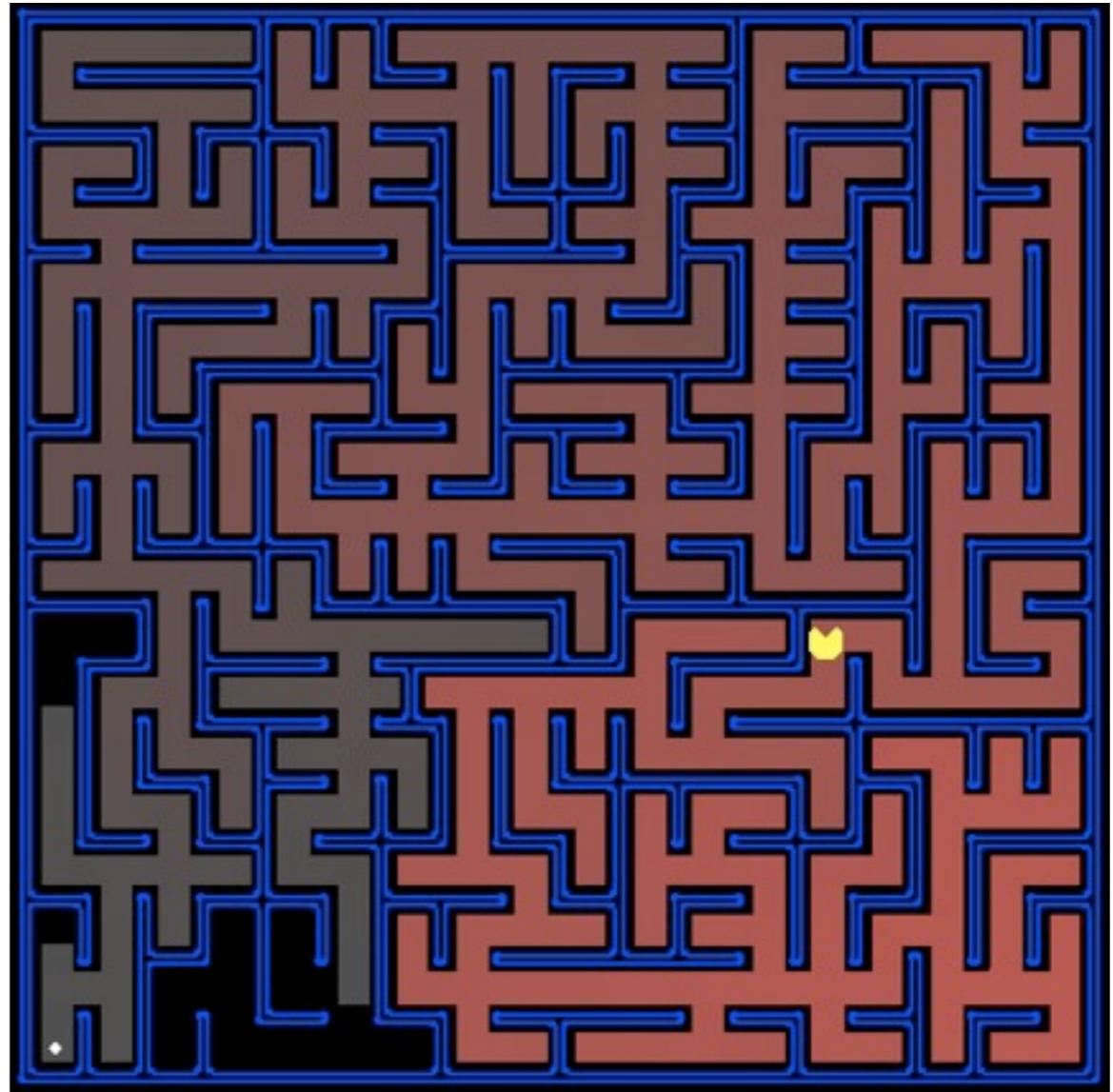
# PS I : Search

## Goal:

- Help Pac-man find his way through the maze

## Techniques:

- Search: breadth-first, depth-first, etc.
- Heuristic Search: Best-first,  $A^*$ , etc.



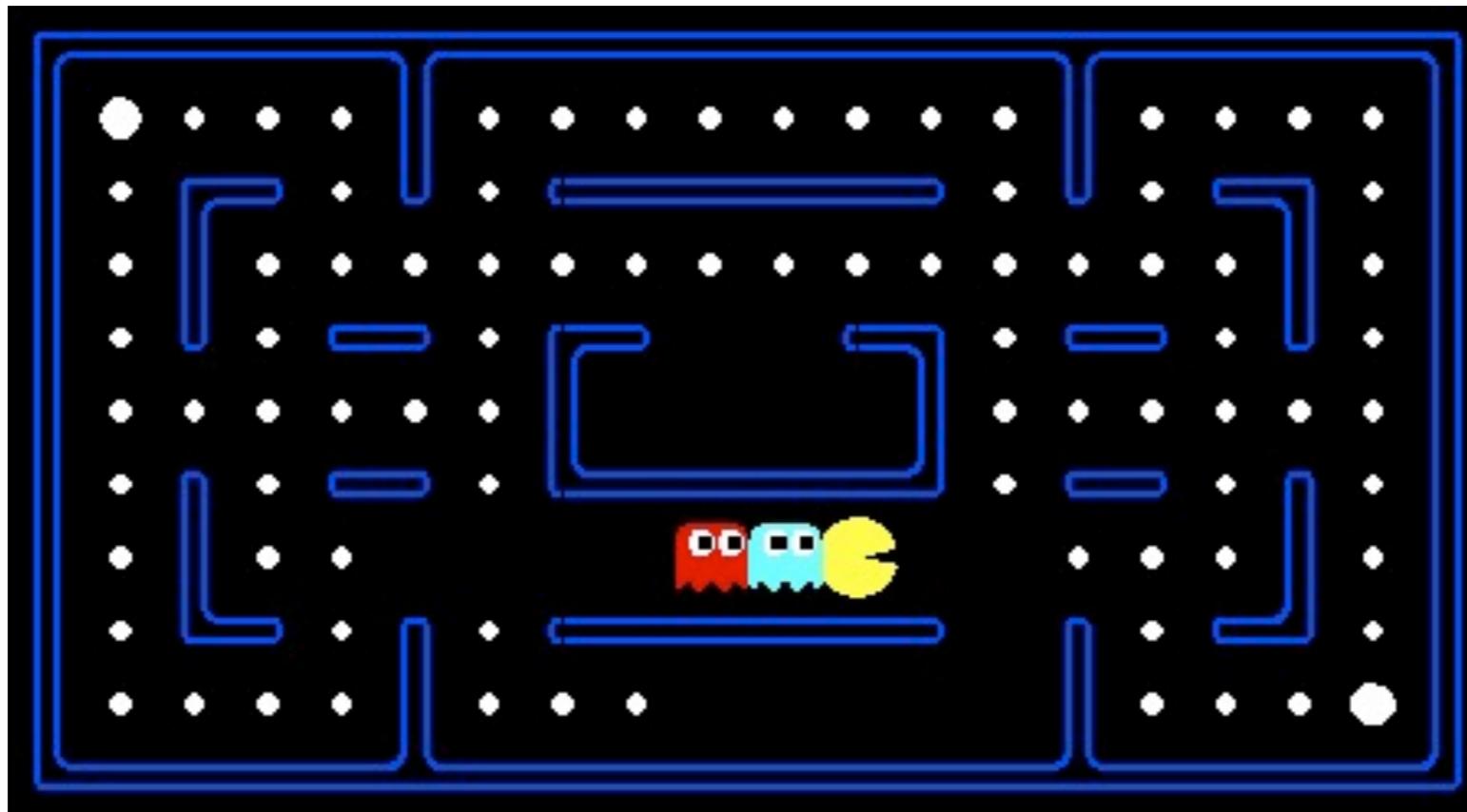
# PS2: Game Playing

Goal:

- Play Pac-man!

Techniques:

- Adversarial Search: minimax, alpha-beta, expectimax, etc.



# PS3: Planning and Learning

## Goal:

- Help Pac-man learn about the world

## Techniques:

- Planning: MDPs, Value Iterations
- Learning: Reinforcement Learning



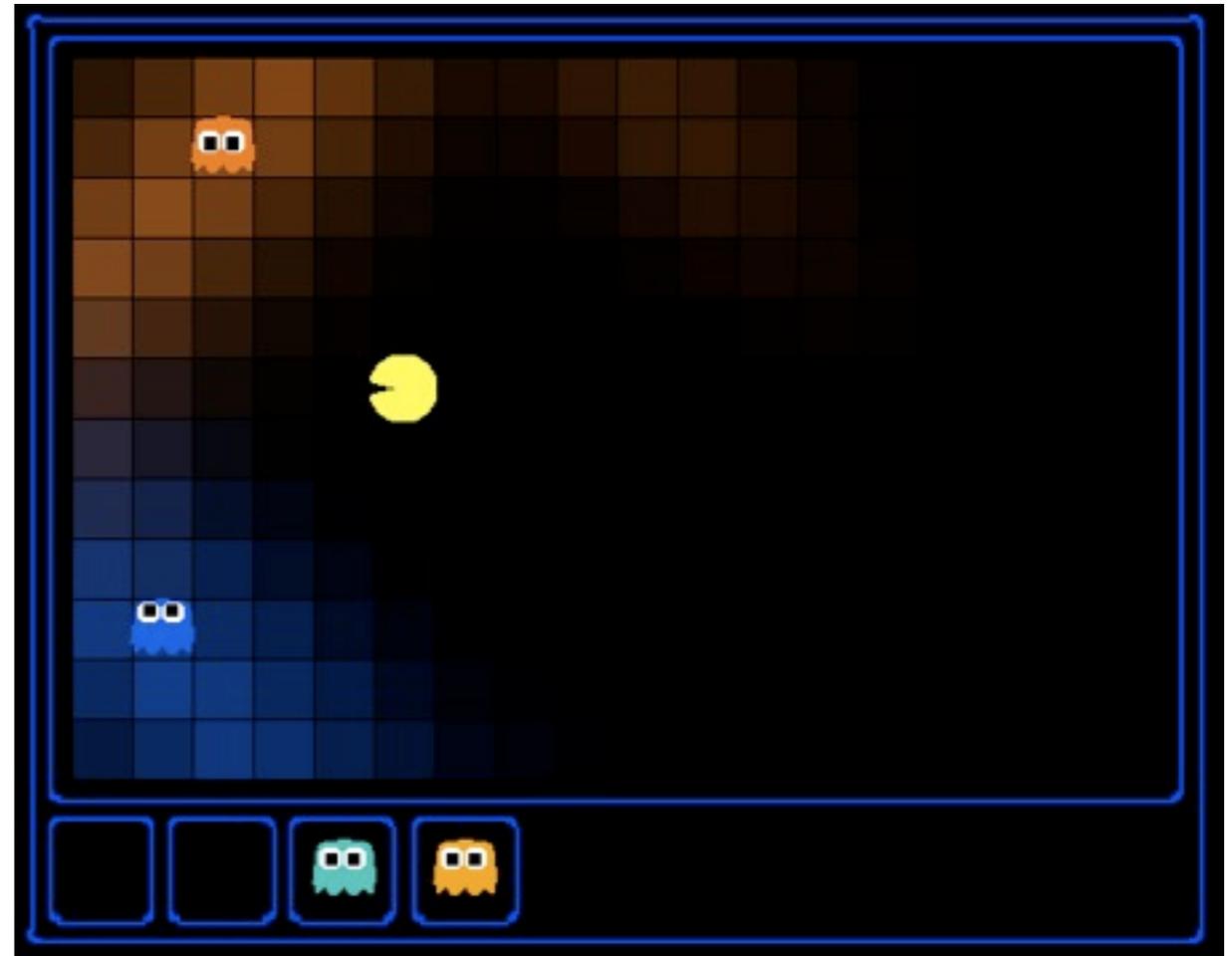
# PS4: Ghostbusters

## Goal:

- Help Pac-man hunt down the ghosts

## Techniques:

- Probabilistic models: HMMS, Bayes Nets
- Inference: State estimation and particle filtering



# To Do:

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- Look at the course website:
  - <http://www.cs.washington.edu/cse473/10au/>
- Do the readings
- Do the python tutorial