

Cognitive Robotics

Introduction

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Organizational Issues

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Lectures and Labs: Prof. Hans-Dieter Burkhard

Labs with Framework RoboNewbie

Slides will be provided after lectures on

http://www.naoteamhumboldt.de/projects/RoboNewbie_Plovdiv2014

Programming Exercises

are based on the RoboNewbie Framework
developed by Monika Domańska

Required general resources
(download and install from net)

1. WindowsXP or newer
2. Java Development Kit 7
3. NetBeans (v. 7.1 or later, JavaSE or JavaEE)
4. Java 3D



Programming Exercises

Required special resources, download from

<http://www.naoteamhumboldt.de/projects/robonewbie>

1. RoboNewbie
2. MotionEditor
3. SimSpark RoboCup 3D Soccer Simulation (SimSpark RCSS)

Additional materials for installation on that page.

Programs and related instructions are available on
<http://www.naoteamhumboldt.de/projects/robonewbie/>



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RoboNewbie

RoboNewbie is a basic framework for experiments with simulated humanoid robots. It provides interfaces to the simulated sensors and effectors of the robot, and a simple control structure. The framework and the examples are implemented in JAVA with detailed documentations and explanations. That makes it useful even for beginners in Robotics.

RoboNewbie runs in the soccer simulation environment of the official RoboCup 3D simulator. The simulated soccer players are models of the Humanoid Robot NAO of the French Company Aldebaran. Besides other examples, a simple soccer playing robot demonstrates the architecture and the features. Users are encouraged to extend it by different means.

Thanks are due to the RoboCup community for continuous help and inspiration.

Last updated of project files: June, 14th, 2013.

Resources for Download

- [Installation](#)
- [How to start](#)
- [RoboNewbie_1.0](#) – the framework and example programs. It is programmed in JAVA 7 and prepared for use under Netbeans. The "QuickStartTutorial" gives an introduction to the features and the usage of RoboNewbie.
- The [SimSpark RoboCup 3D Soccer Simulation \(SimSpark RCSS\)](#)-Version r300 for Windows is configured for RoboNewbie. SimSpark RCSS was developed by the RoboCup Soccer Server Maintenance Group. A short overview is given by "[SimSpark/SoccerServer RCSS as used for RoboNewbie](#)", the detailed information can be found on the [SimSpark Wiki](#).
- The [MotionEditor](#) can be used for the design of motions. Installation and usage are described by the "[MotionEditor Tutorial](#)". To use the motion editor you need [JAVA 3D Version 1.5.1](#) on your computer.



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All topics will be explained later in more details.

Decisions Performed by Machines

Examples:

Chess

Search Engines

Computer Aided Design

Language Translation

Industrial Robotics

Photography

Driver assistance systems

Space discovery

Not all of them are “intelligent”

Assistance for humans
Guidance of humans
Autonomous machines

DARPA Grand Challenges

Pictures by DARPA
and Telepolis (H.A. Marsiske)



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|---------------------------------|---------|
| 1. Competition (desert): | 2004 |
| 2. Competition (simple desert): | 2005 |
| Urban Challenge : | 2007 |
| Robotics Challenge: | 2012-14 |

1. DARPA Grand Challenge 2004



2. Grand Challenge 2005



DARPA Urban Challenge 2007



Recent Developments

Google using street view



DARPA Robotics Challenge 2012-14

Robots in disaster response scenario

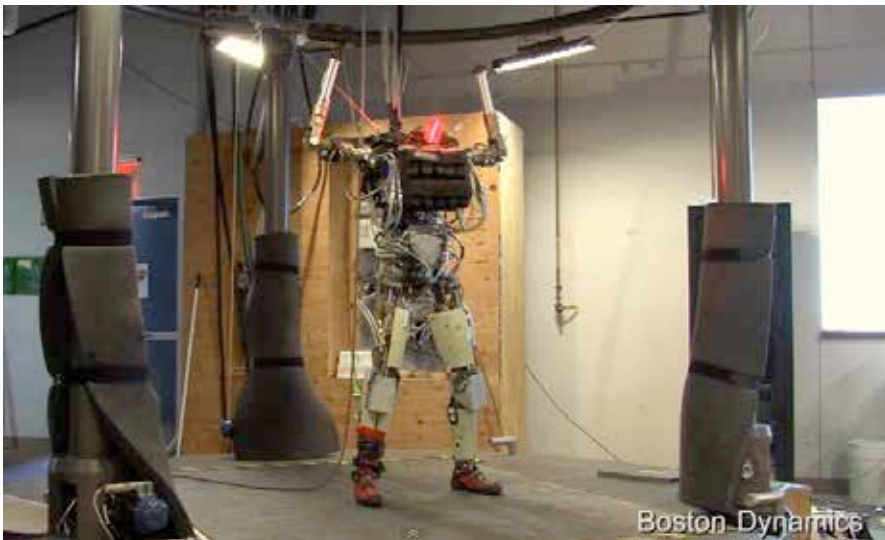


The robot has to

1. use an unmodified vehicle to drive to disaster area
2. traverse through divested area
3. remove debris blocking an entry
4. open a door and enter a building
5. climb a ladder and traverse industrial walkway
6. break through wall using appropriate tools
7. locate and close a valve near a leaking pipeline
8. replace a defect component

DARPA Robotics Challenge

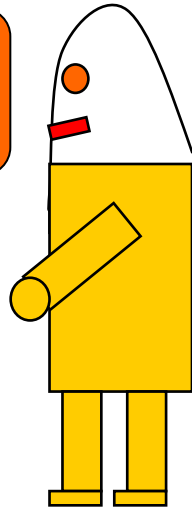
- Semi-autonomy
- Control by non-expert operators
- Acting in normal environment after a catastrophe
- Usage of standard tools
- Extern power supply allowed as far as conform with tasks



A robot platform like PETMAN from Boston Dynamics was provided for selected participants.

Example: Service Robots

Willie, bring
me a water



Alternatives:

- from the refrigerator
- from the cellar
- from the neighbor
- from the shop
- from the internet
- ...

Which alternative to choose?

What else is needed (glass, ...)?

Robot Needs Knowledge about the world

World model:
Part of state in the program

there was a water
in the refrigerator

Facts about the world

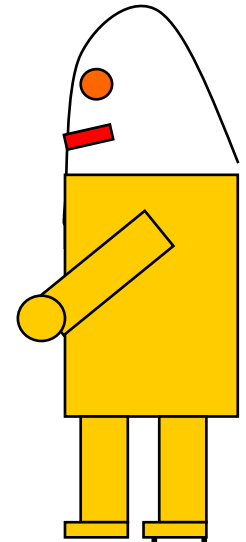
- maps, positions of objects, descriptions, ...

Methods for processing sensory inputs

- language processing, image processing

Methods for integrating sensory data

- new world model from old model and new sensory data



World Model

Problems:

Environment is only partially observable

Observations are insecure and noisy

Scene interpretation with Bayesian methods, e.g.

Probability to be at location s given an observation z :

$$P(s|z) = P(z|s) \cdot P(s) / P(z)$$

World Model

World model need **not** be true knowledge,
only **belief** of the agent.



Commitments

Commitments:
Part of state in the program

Tasks/Goals: Desired world states

Plans: Sequence of actions to reach goals

Rationality: Agents should only pursue goals/plans that can be achieved



How to go to the refrigerator

Commitments

Plans may fail.

Need methods for revision.



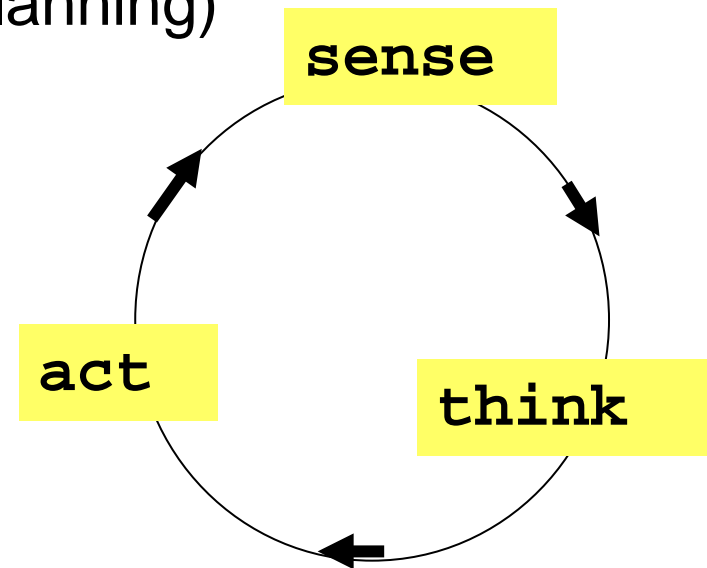
Putting Together: Sense-think-act Cycle

Ordering of intern processing of the agent

1. Sense („input“) + perception (interpretation, world model)
2. Think (“processing”: evaluation, planning)
3. Act („output“)

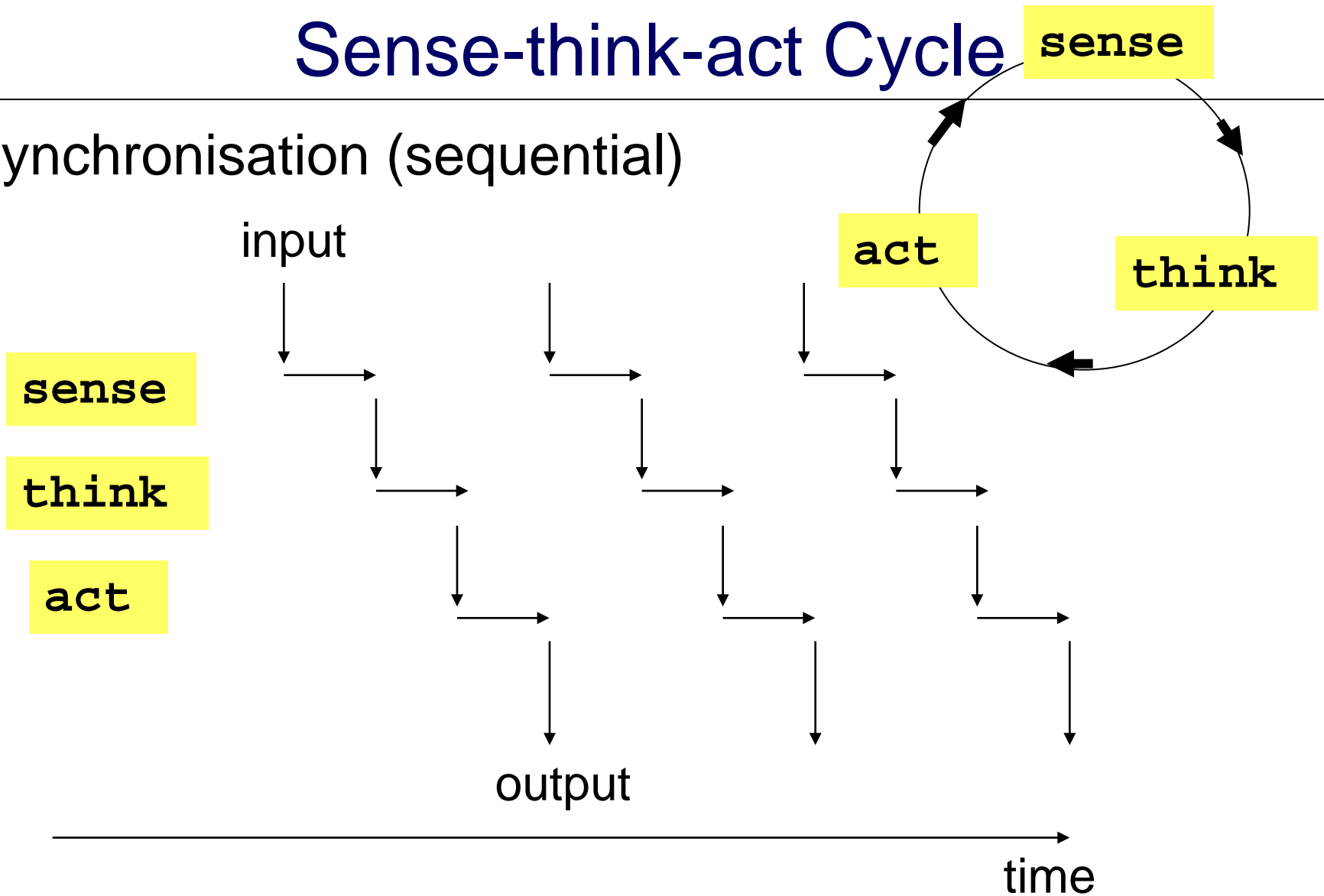
States in the program

- World model
- Commitments



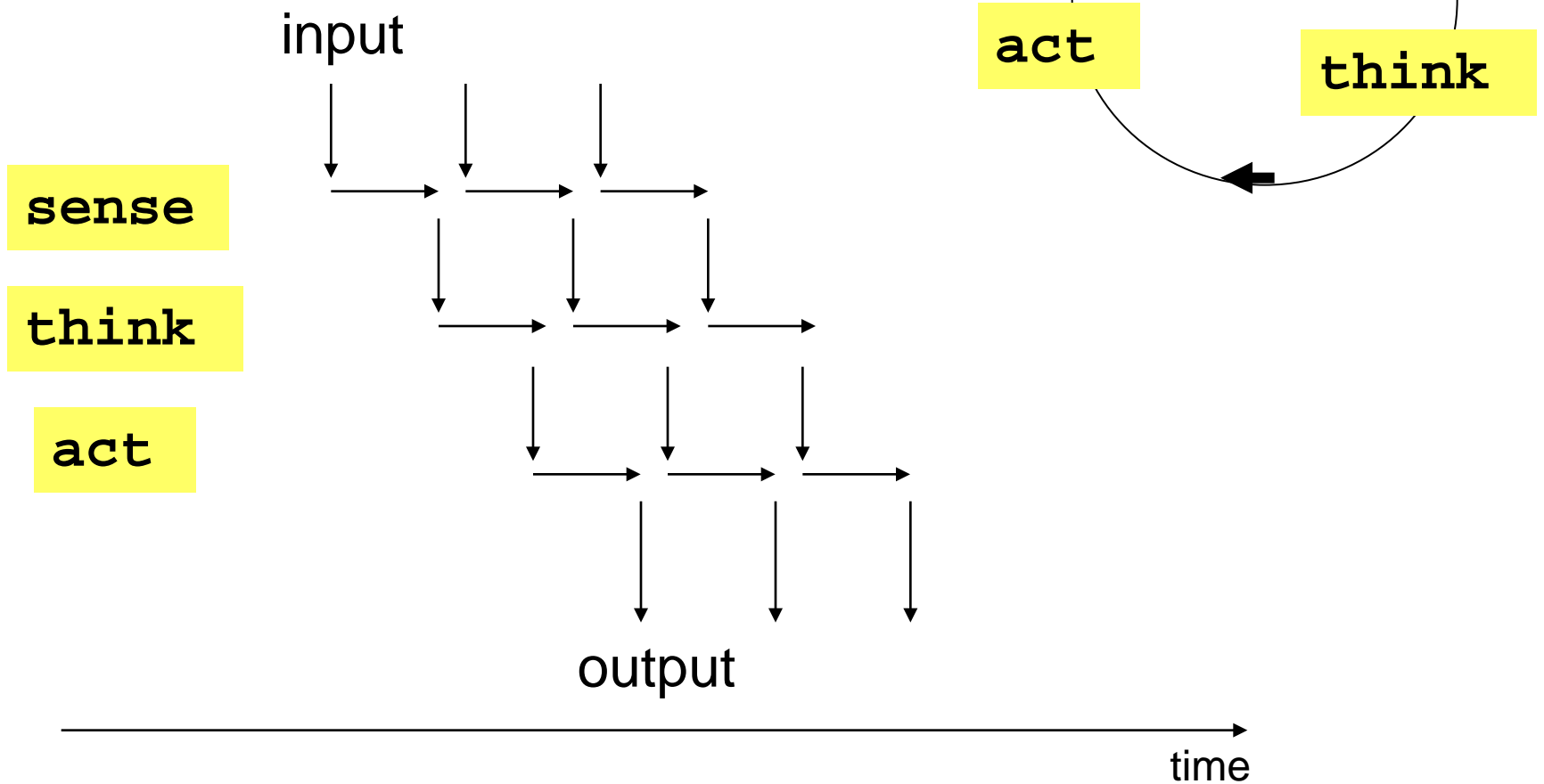
Sense-think-act Cycle

Synchronisation (sequential)



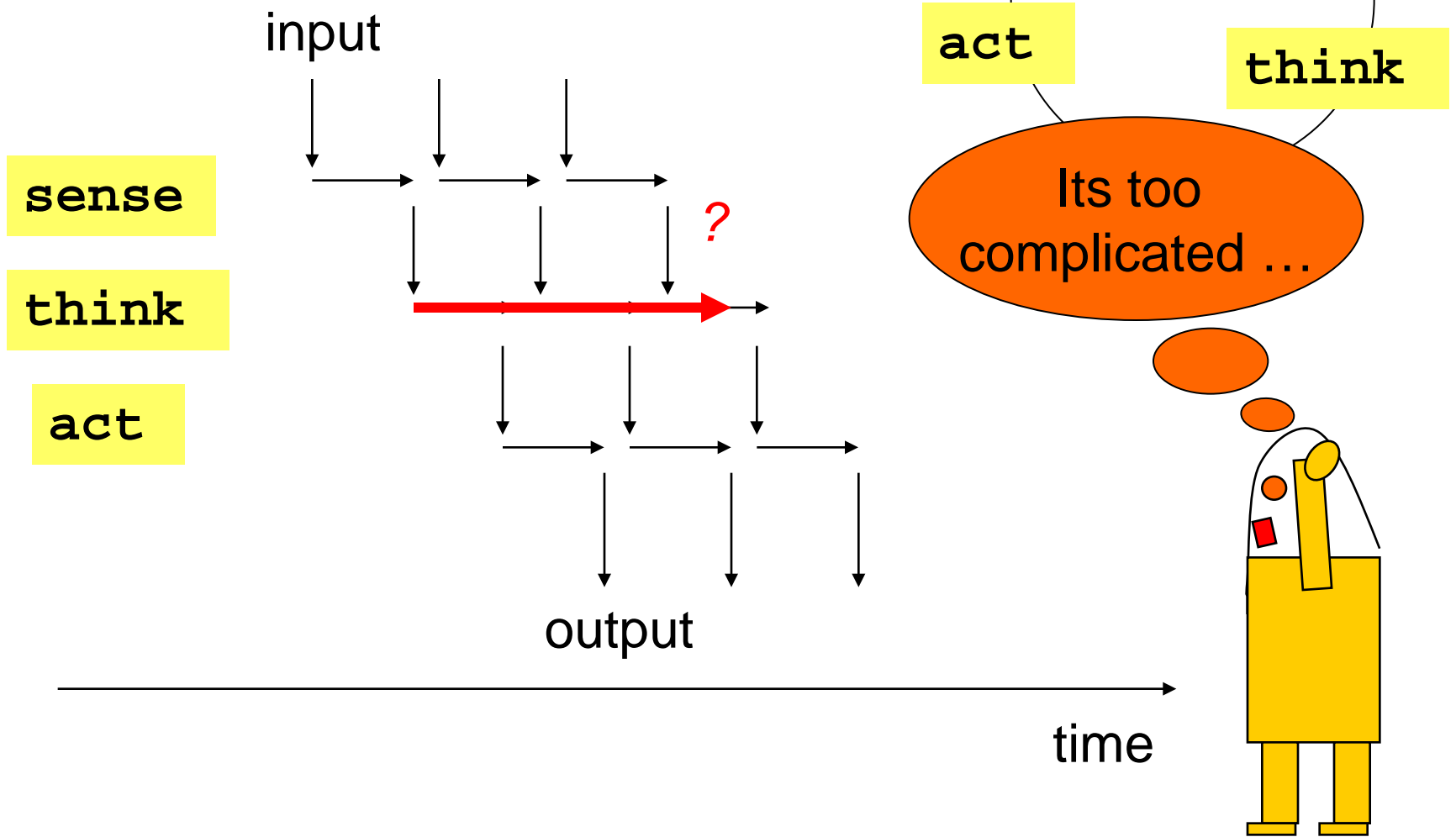
Sense-think-act Cycle

Synchronisation (concurrent)



Sense-think-act Cycle

Synchronisation problems



“Autonomous Agents”

act in a certain environment on behalf of its user

... a long running program, where the work can be meaningfully described as autonomous completion of orders or goals while interacting with the environment.

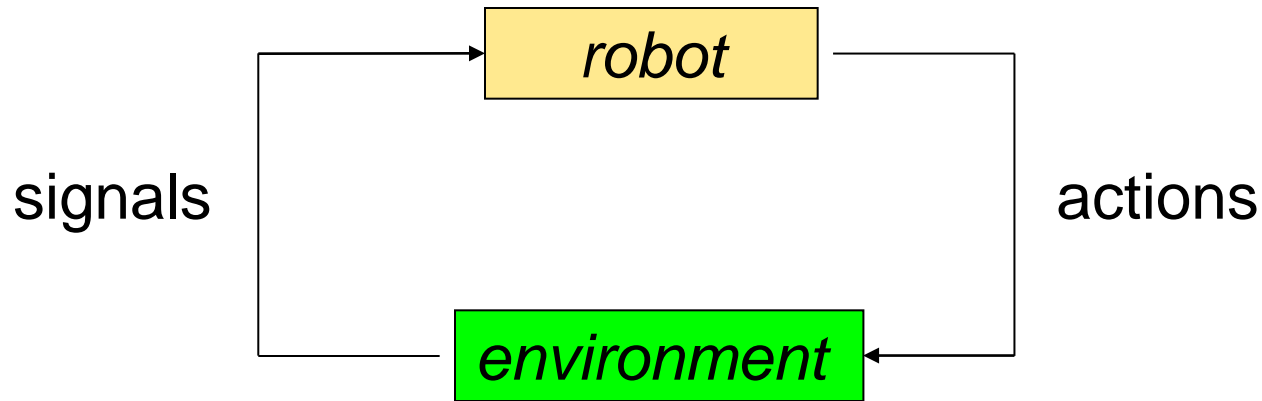
Further attributes may be:

Intelligent, social, reactive, proactive, mobile, ...

adaptive, learning ,...

goal-oriented etc. (modeling human-like attitudes) ...

Acting in the environment



Software agents:

Clearly defined virtual environment

Robots:

Real environment with incomplete and unreliable information



Chess program vs. Soccer robots

1997: Deep Blue wins against human chess champion Kasparov

Chess:

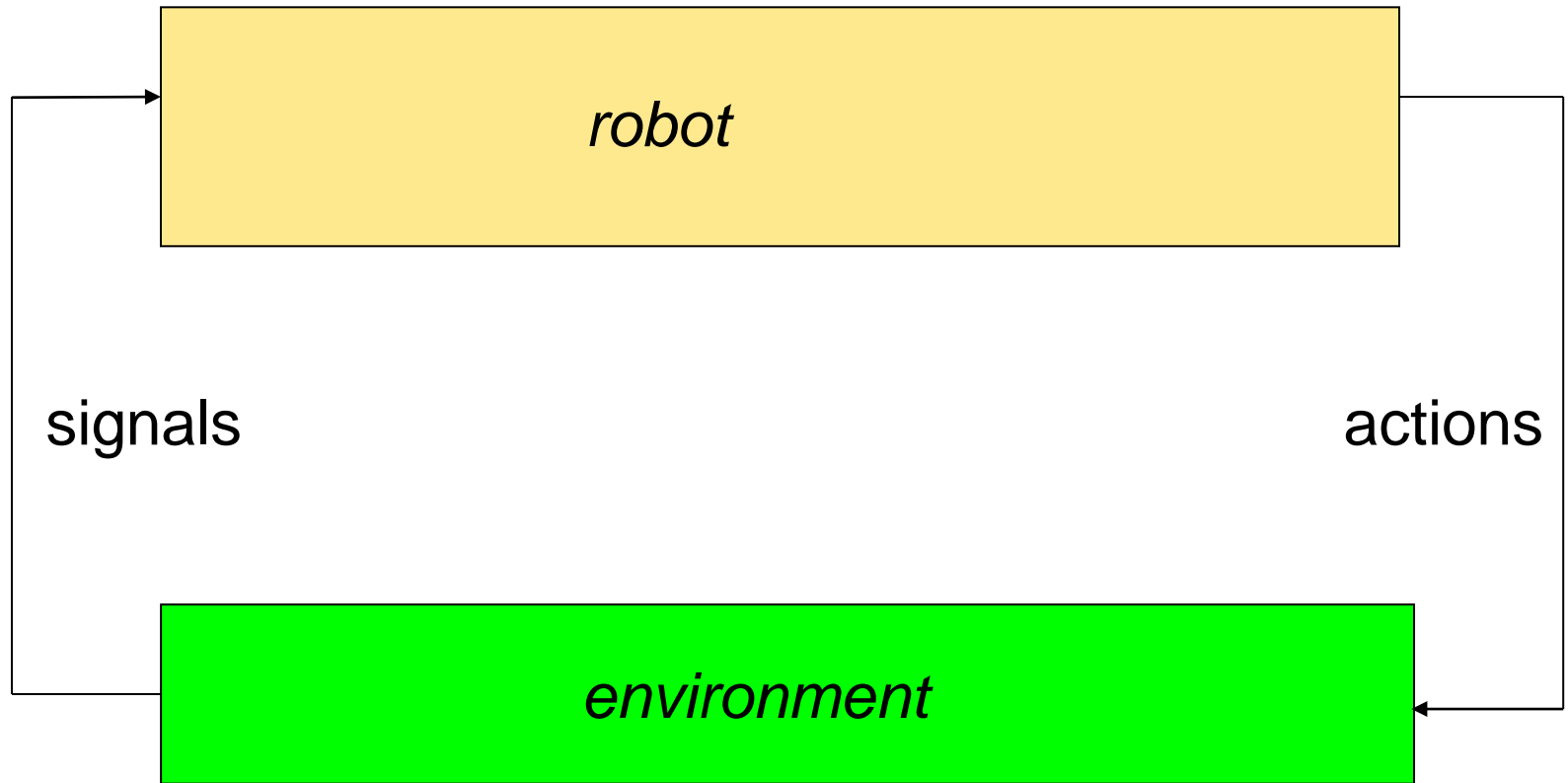
- Static
- 3 Minutes per move
- Single action
- Single player
- Information:
 - reliable
 - complete

Soccer:

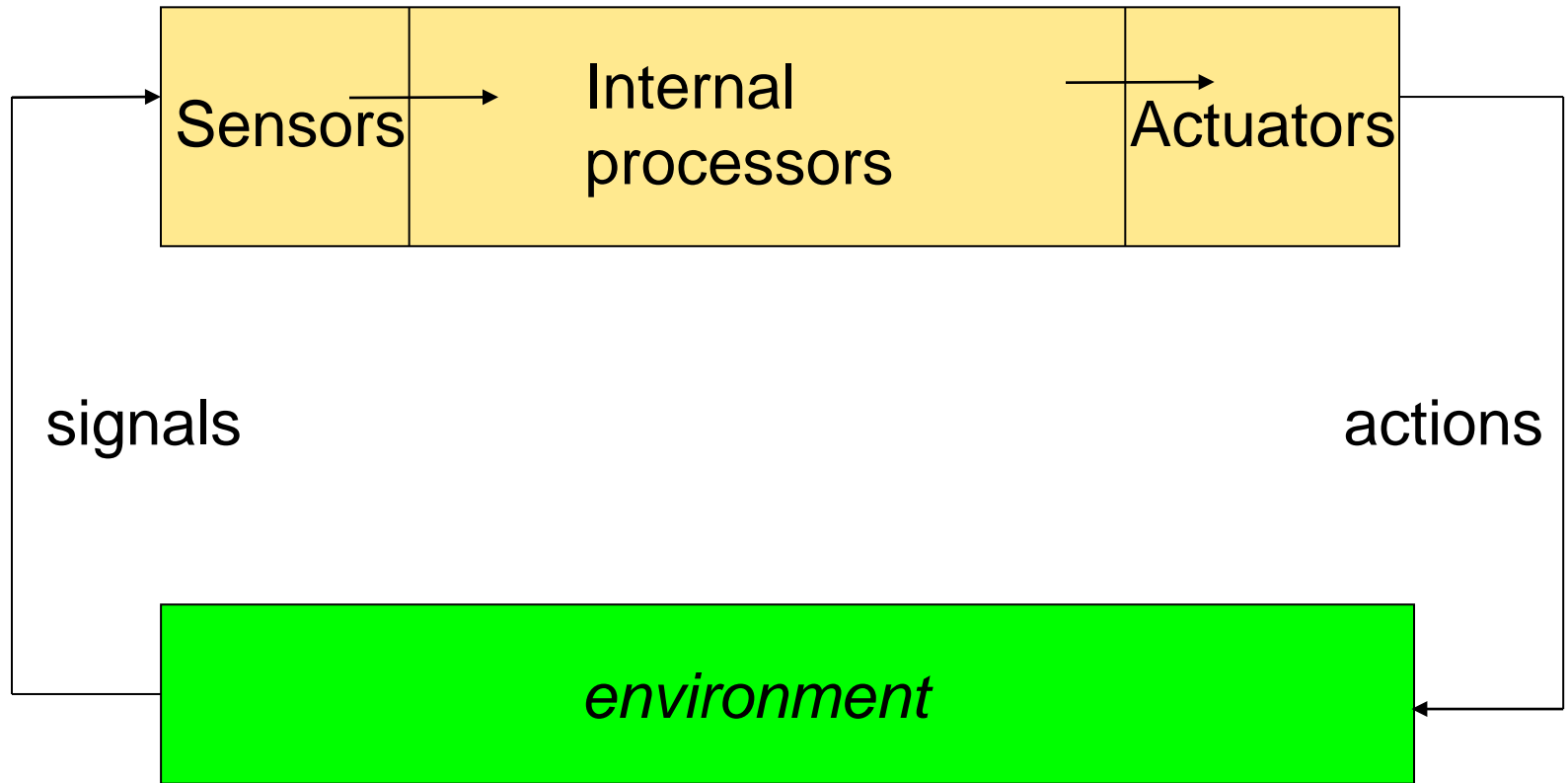
- Dynamic
- Milliseconds
- Sequences of actions
- Team
- Information:
 - unreliable
 - incomplete



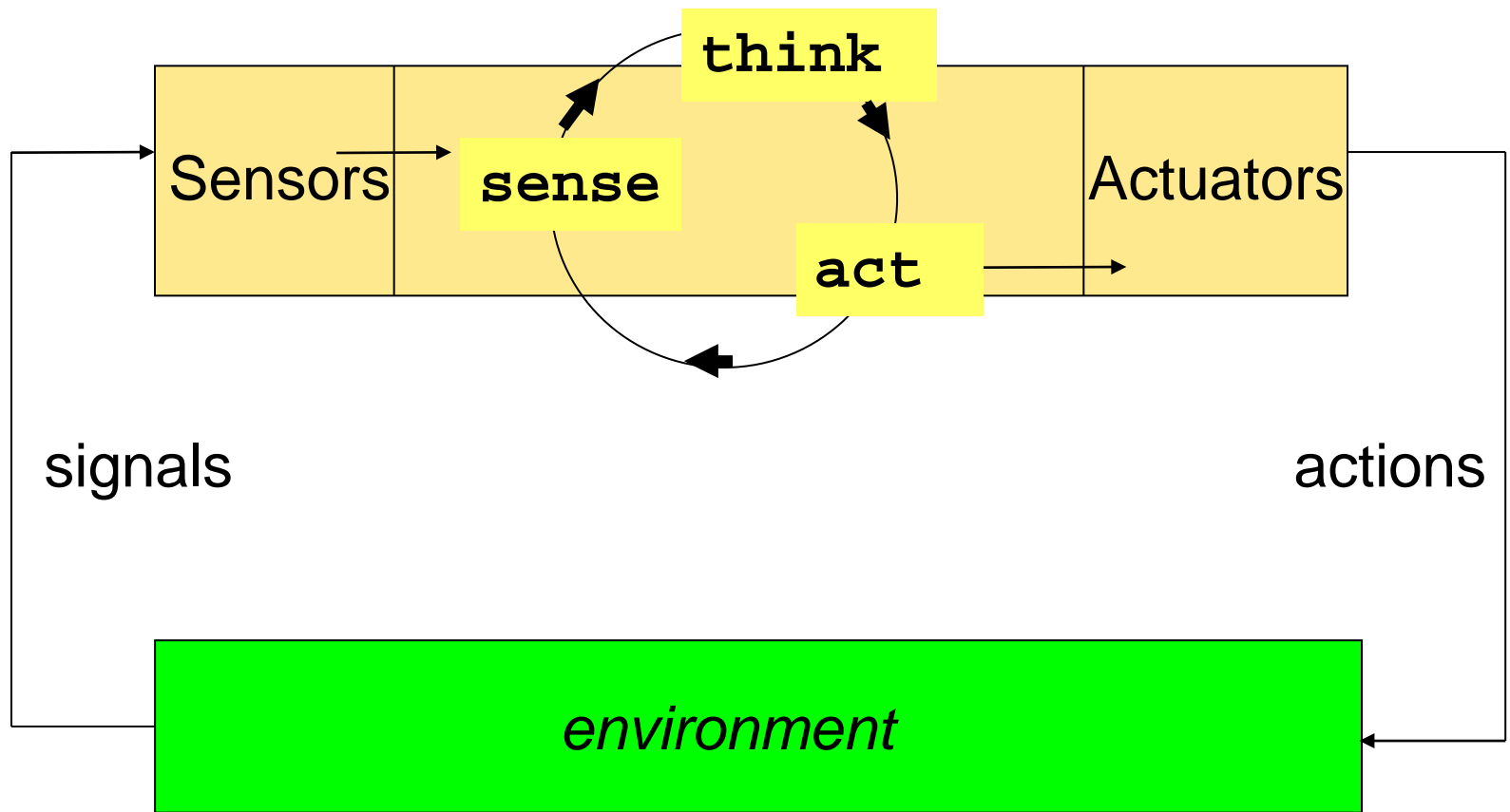
Acting in the environment



Inside the robot



Inside the robot: Sense-think-act cycle



„Conscious“ Acting

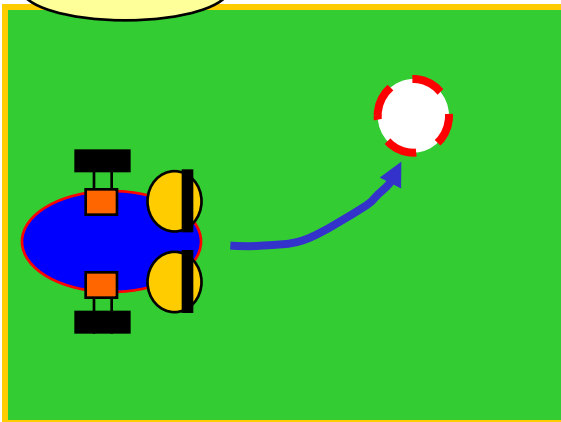
I see the light left in front.

I like the light.

I should go to the left.

I have to turn and walk.

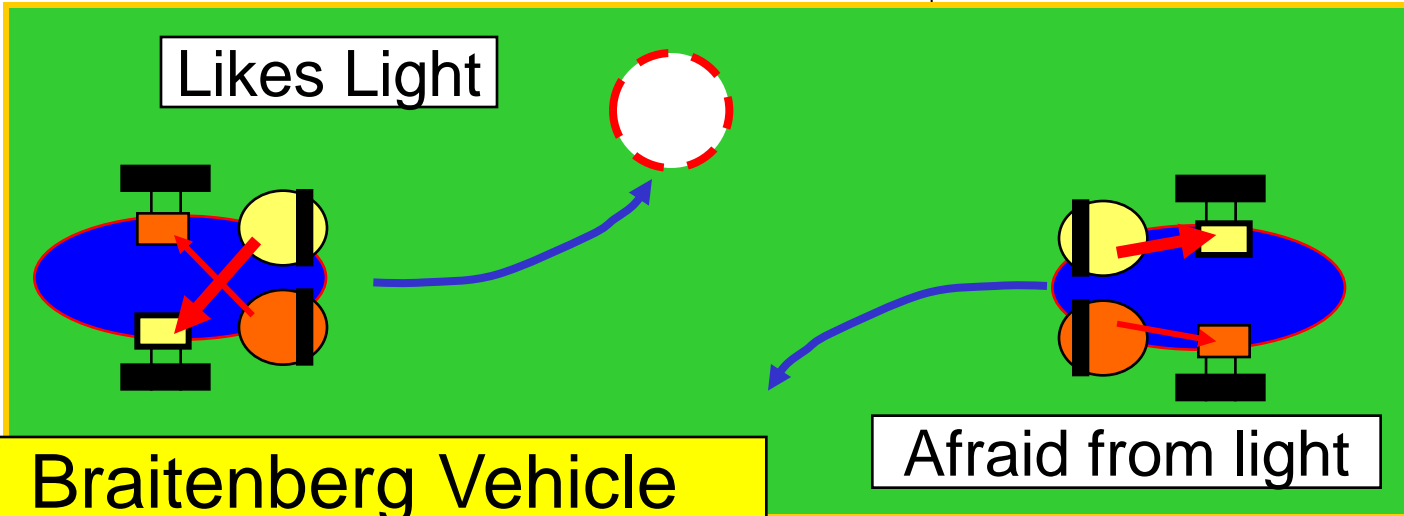
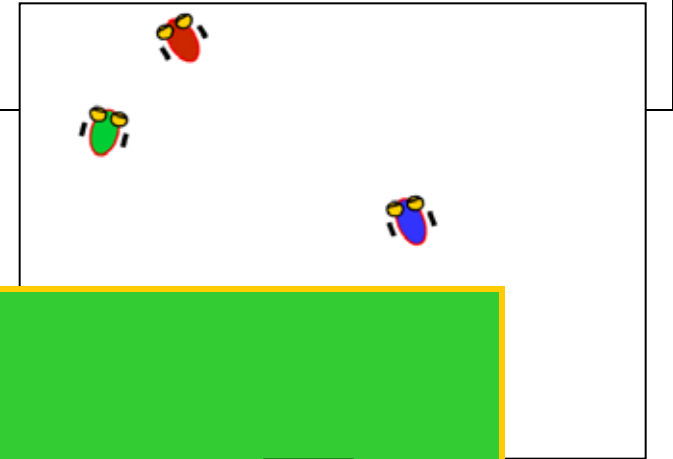
My right wheel should move faster than the left one.
etc.



Alternatively:
Stimulus Response



Stimulus Response



Likes Light

Afraid from light

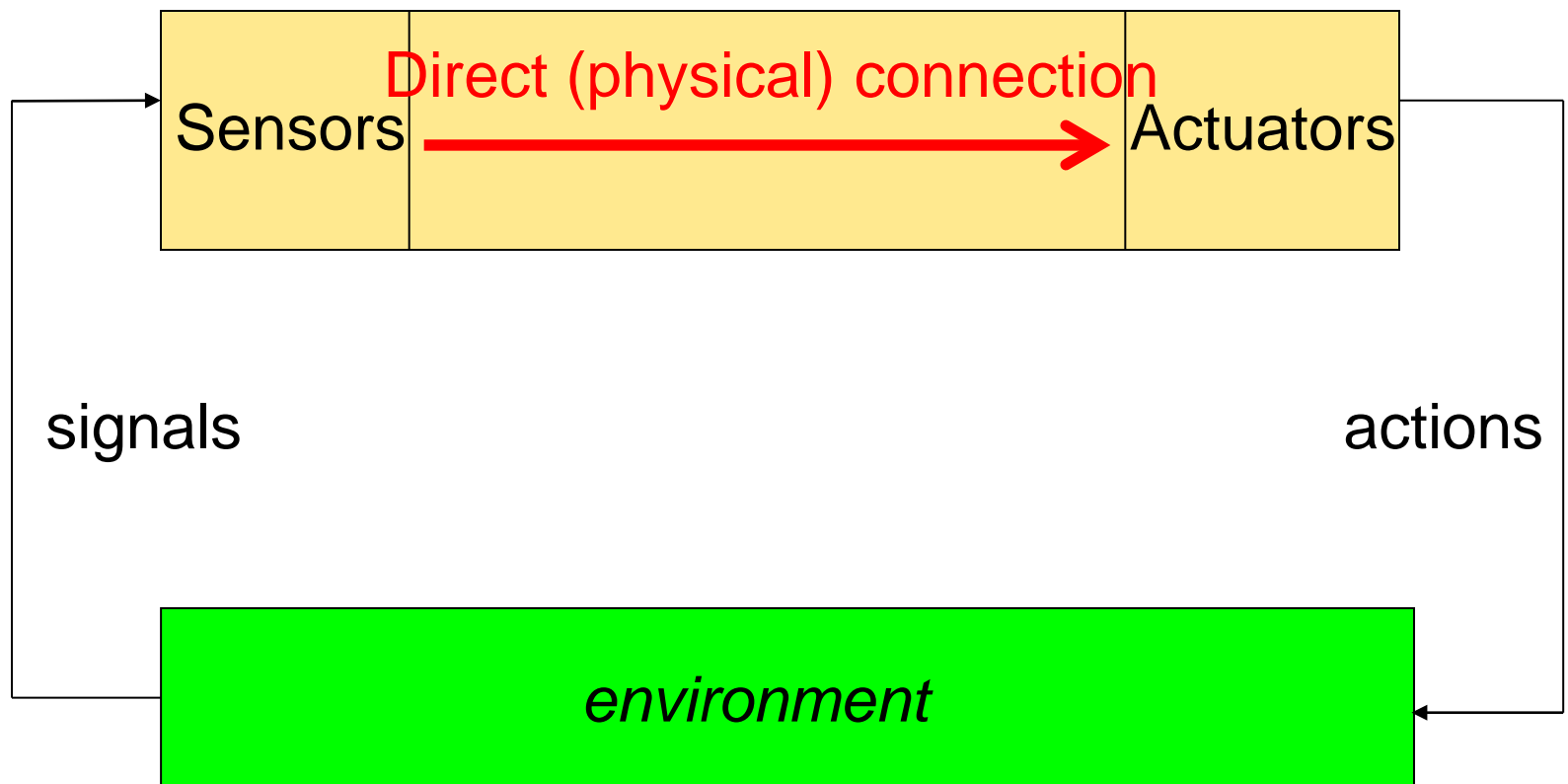
Braitenberg Vehicle
Cybernetic Turtle

Alternatively: „Conscious“ Acting



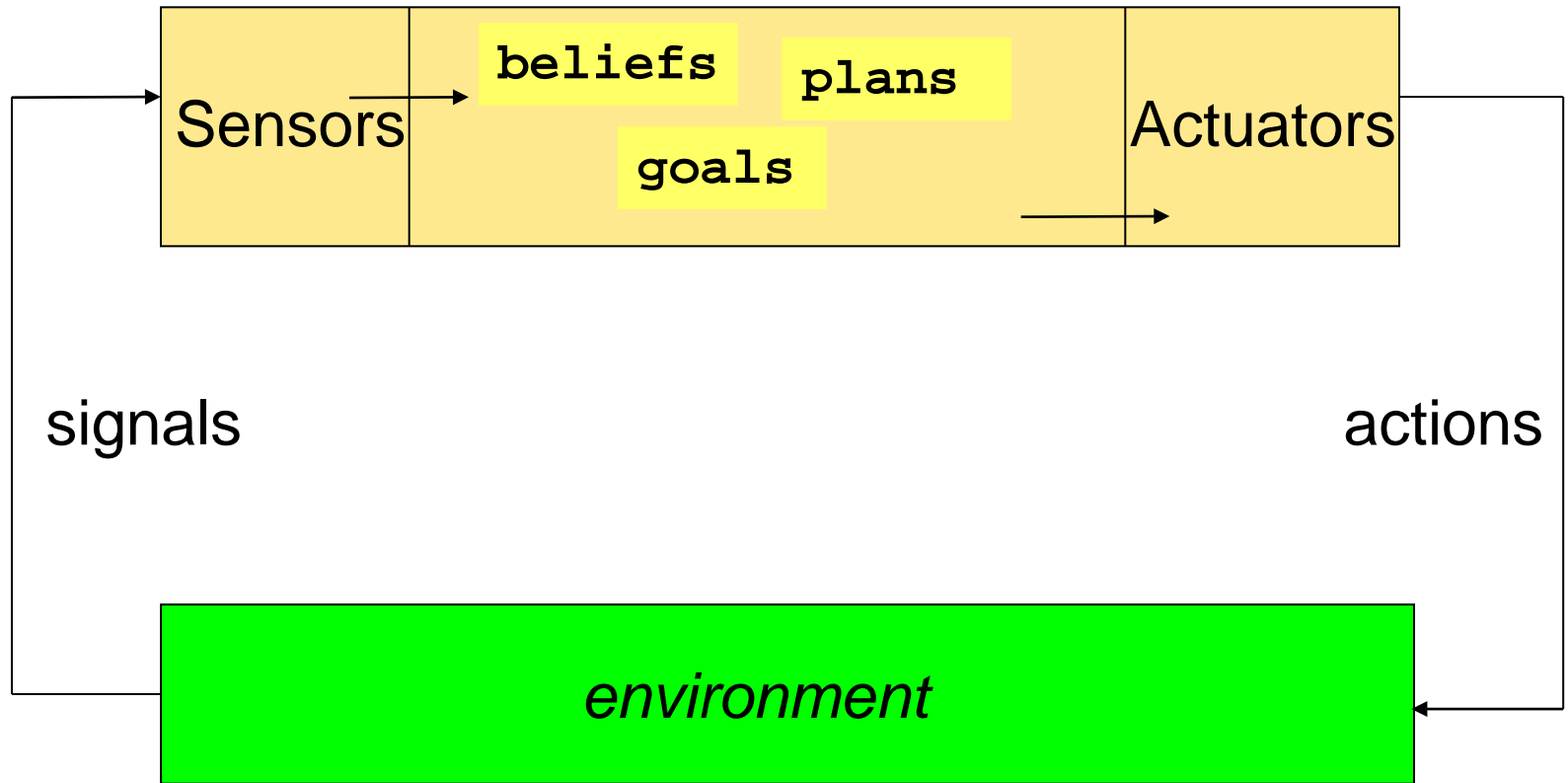
Sensor-Actor Coupling

- Simple design
- Immediate reaction



Deliberative Agents

- Complex design
- Long term planning



Robots

Robota = work (Czech, Karel Capek 1921)

- Artificial humans
- Manufacturing automata
- Mobile robots
- Science Fiction

Applications

- Industry (Mining, Architecture, ...)
- Agriculture
- Service (Transportation, Security, Cleaning, ...)
- Medicine
- Entertainment
- Military
- ...

Environments

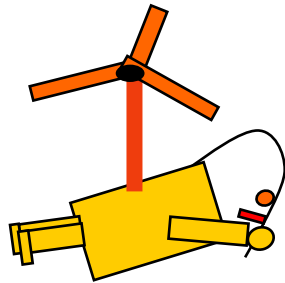
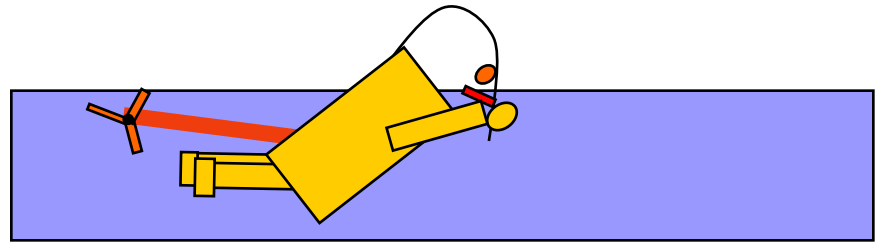
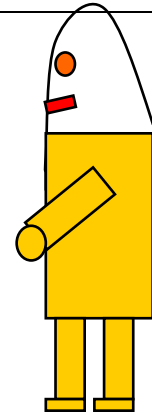
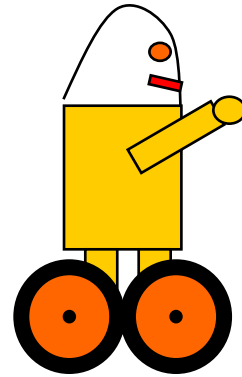
Indoor

Earth (surface, subsurface)

Water (surface, submarine)

Air

Space



- Special interest for Applications in
- Dangerous environments
 - Non-accessible environments

Hardware

Sensors

Effectors/Actuators

Drives

Energy

Materials

Design

Processors

Communication

...

Software

Perception

Representations

Behaviors

Planning

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Coordination

Adaptation

Learning

...

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A Simple Example from RoboCup

1. search for the ball
2. approach to ball
3. kick the ball

Agent_SimpleSoccer in Simulation

Idea of the program:

Repeat (whenever a motion is complete):

- If robot has fallen down: Stand up

- If position of ball is not known:

 - Search for ball by turning head (and body)

 - else if ball is far away: turn to ball, walk to ball

 - else if ball not between player and goal: turn around ball

 - else walk forward („dribbling“)

The implementation is very simple – what happens?

What could be improved?

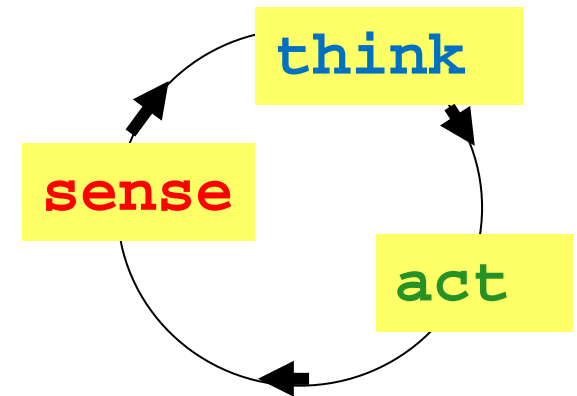
Implementation of sense-think-act

```
public void run(){ ....  
  for (int i = 0; i < totalServerCycles; i++)  
  {  sense(); think(); act();  
  }  
}
```

```
private void sense() {  
  perIn.update(); localView.update();  
}
```

```
private void think(){  
  soccerThinking.decide();  
}
```

```
private void act(){  
  kfMotion.executeKeyframeSequence(); lookAround.look(); effOut.sendAgentMessage();  
}
```



Example
class Agent_SimpleSoccer
from program
agentSimpleSoccer

Implementation of think

```
public void decide() {  
    if (motion.ready()) {  
        // if the robot has fallen down ...  
        // if the robot has the actual ball coordinates ...  
            // if the ball is not in front of the robot ...  
            // if the robot is far away from the ball ...  
            // if the robot has the actual goal coordinates ...  
                // if the ball does not lie between the robot and the goal ...  
                // if the robot is in a good dribbling position ...  
            // if the robot cannot sense the goal coordinates from its actual position ...  
        // if the robot cannot sense the ball coordinates from its actual position ...
```

Example
class SoccerThinking
from program
agentSimpleSoccer

Competition

Task:

Become the Soccer Champion of the Fast Scoring Competition!

The task is to score as soon as possible (as described below).

The example agent SimpleSoccer pushes the ball towards the goal. During 10 minutes it almost reaches the goal with the ball. You can use this program as an inspiration for your task.

You can modify and extend it with new motions, better perception and more intelligent behavior. You can even program a team of up to 4 robots which cooperatively perform the task.

Workshop Competition

Become the Soccer Champion of the Fast Scoring Competition!

Task continued:

- You have only one trial to score into the opponents goal.
- The Fast Scoring Competition ends if
 - the team has scored or
 - the ball is outside the playground or
 - 3 minutes have elapsed after start.

Final ranking by lowest scoring times followed by lowest distances.

Workshop Competition

Become the Soccer Champion of the Fast Scoring Competition!

- Competition between student groups.
- About 3-4 members per group
- Groups constituted on Thursday, June 19th

Finals will be on Wednesday, June 25th

- Each group gives 3-minutes explanation on trials and achievements.

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Robot Soccer as Testbed



Annual world championships and conference

Long term goal: Play like FIFA champion in 2050

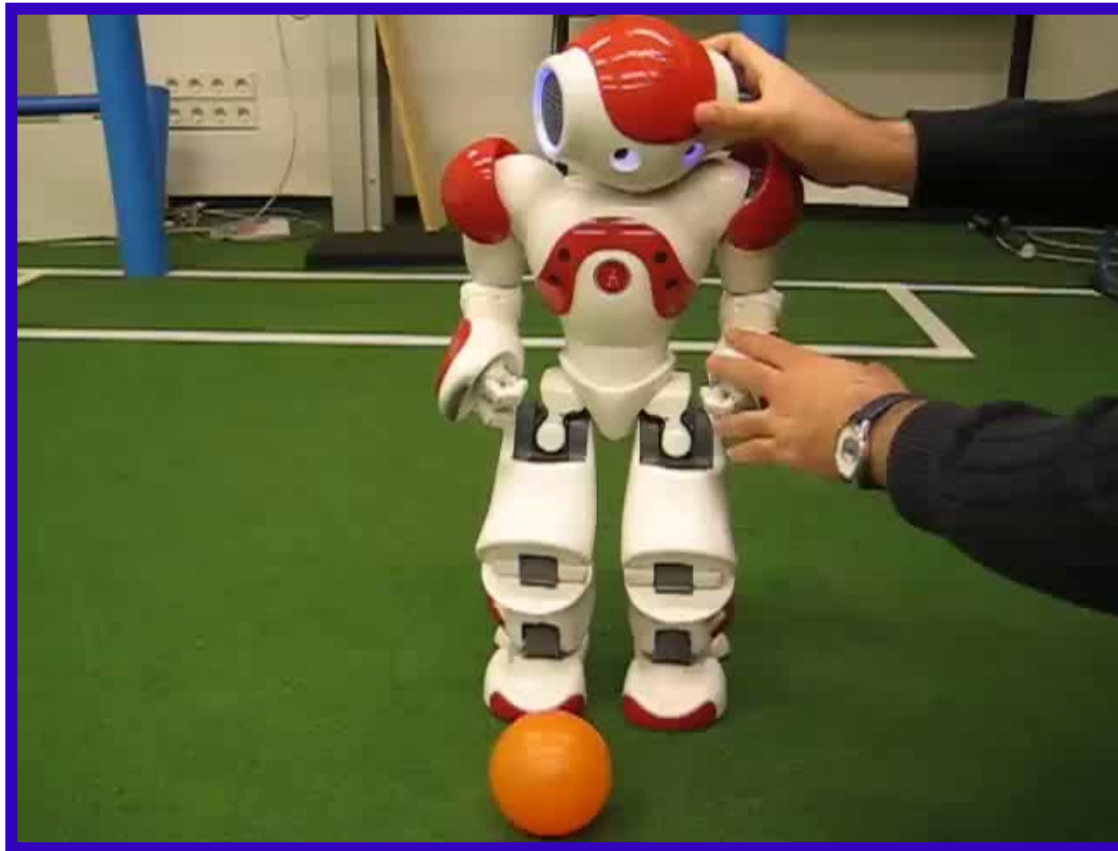
RoboCup

Different leagues with different real or simulated robots for different challenges, e.g. human walking, coordinated play



„Standard Platform“: Robot Nao

Produced by the French Company Aldebaran



Real and Simulated Nao Robots

- Standard Platform League with NAO from Aldebaran



- **3D Simulation League** with simulated NAO robots
- Webots Simulation from Swiss Company Cyberbotics
- Simulation in our development tool Robot Control



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Communication
via protocols (TCP)

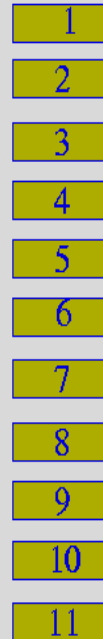
Effector messages

Motor commands
similar to real robot

Perceptor messages

Vision, acoustic, inertial,
....

11 programs
Team 1

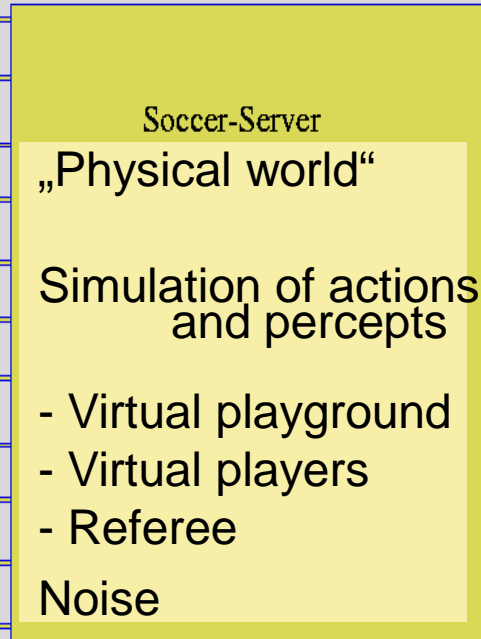


Control of
players

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Team 2

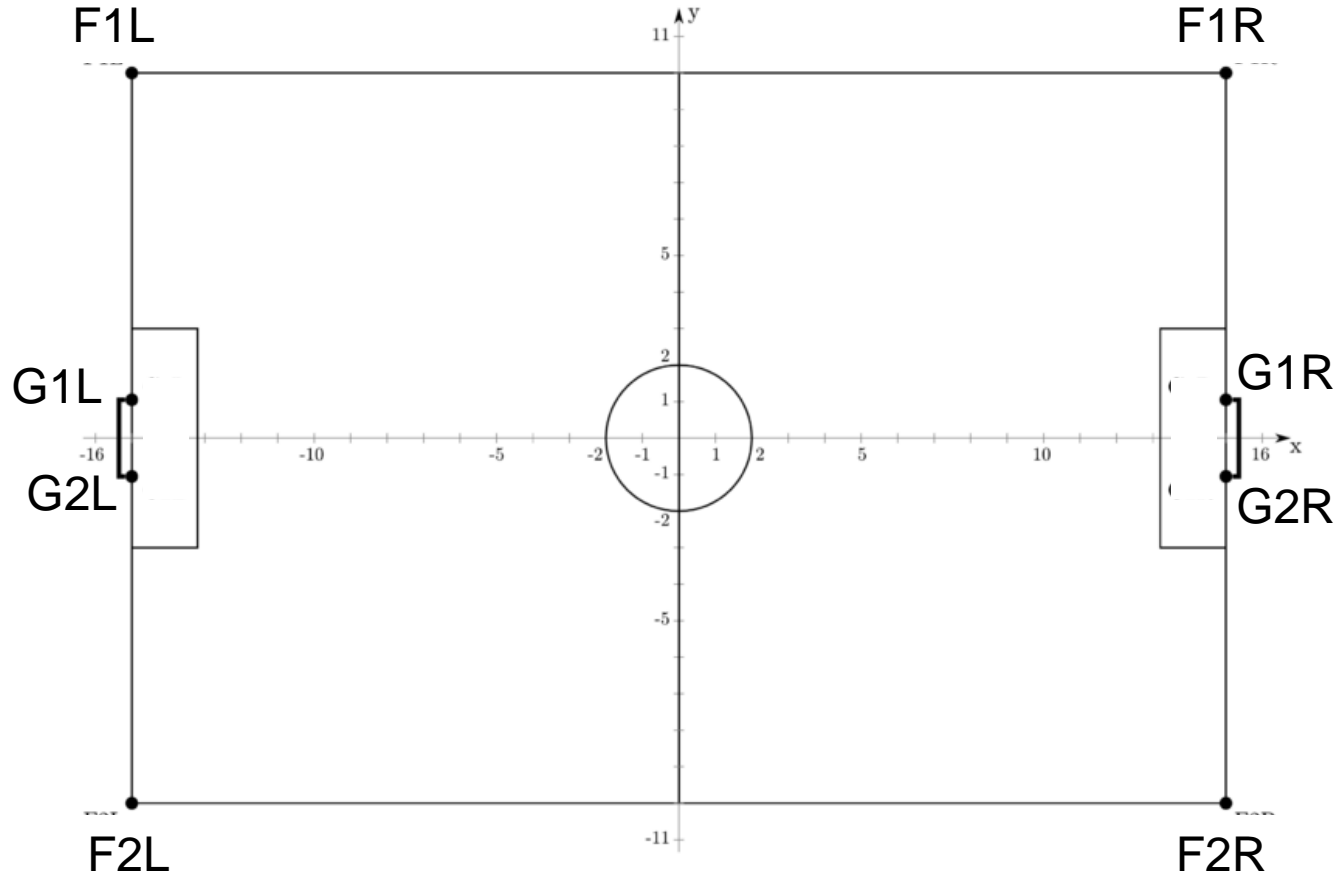


Control of
players



Server and Monitor developed
by volunteers of RoboCup community

Playground of 3D Simulation League



Actual sizes in our distribution are 10x7 m

Components of Simulated Soccer

Environment:

Simulation of real soccer world

- field and ball
- bodies of players

Common for all teams

regarding physical laws (using ODE)

and soccer rules (partially implemented “referee”)

Agents:

Simulation of player control (“brain”)

Individual teams

Open Software

You can make your own experiences by using open software from RoboCup community (explore the internet):

- 3D-Simulation League:
SimSpark (Server + Monitor)

<http://simspark.sourceforge.net/wiki>

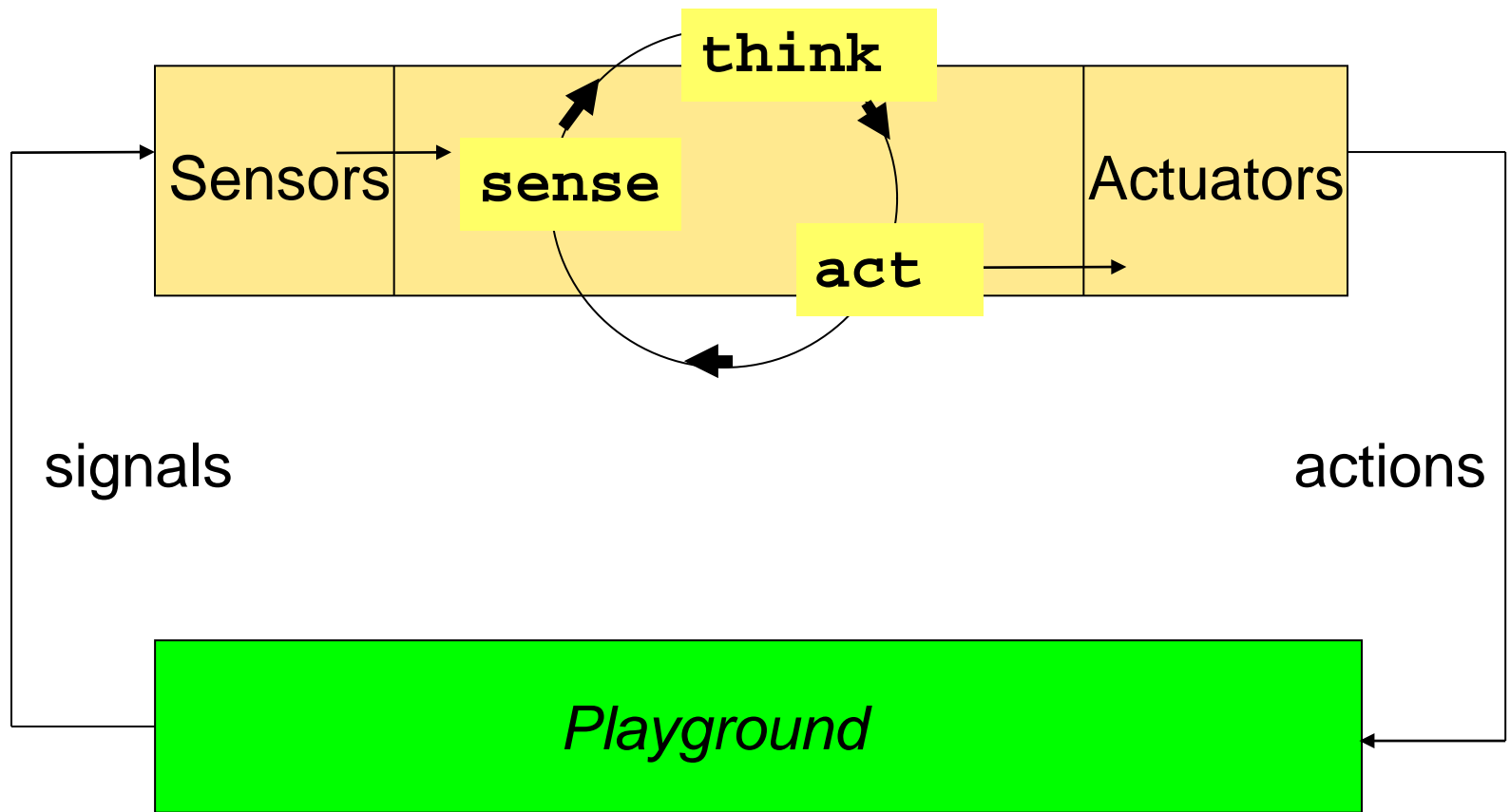
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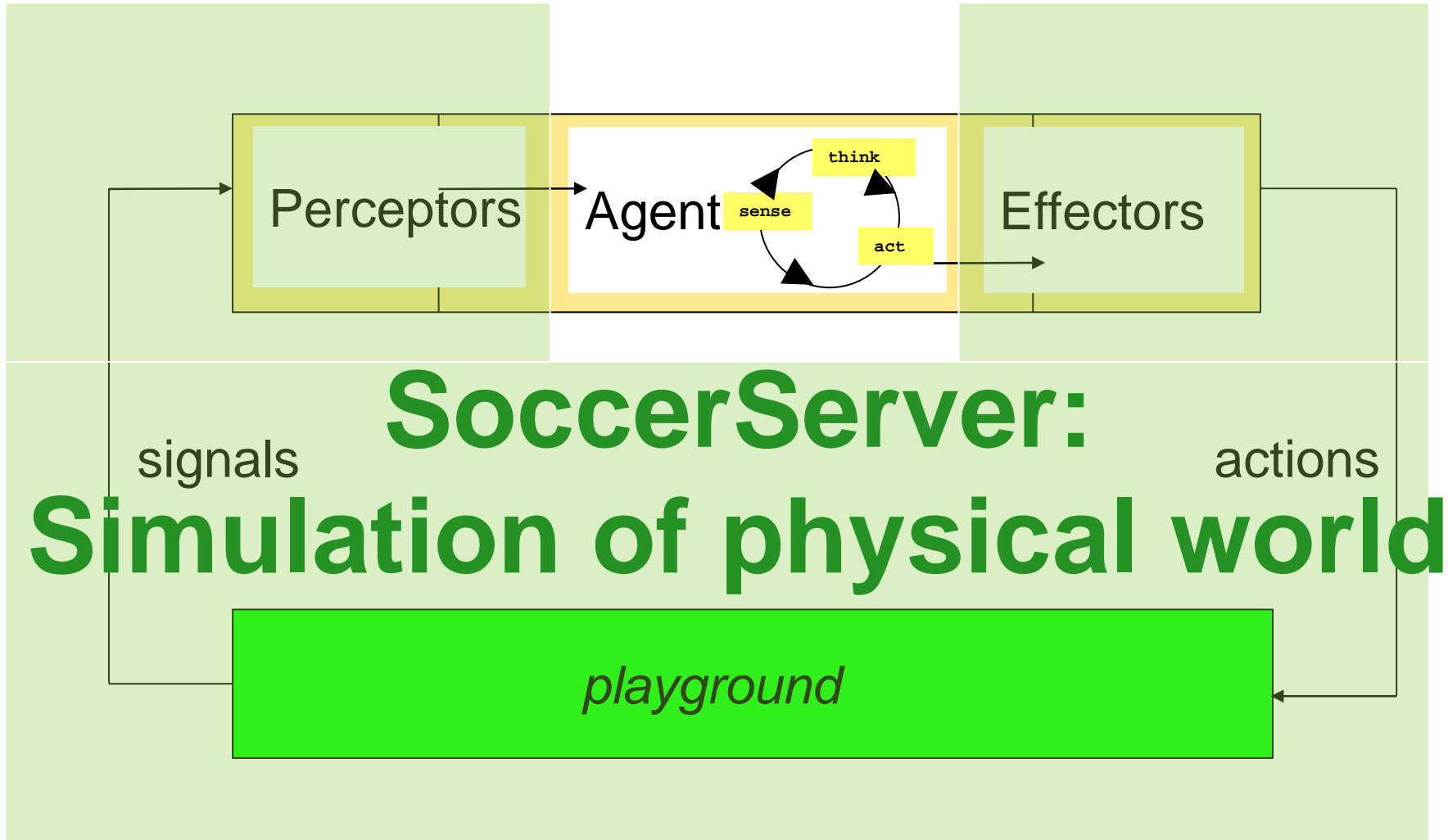
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Inside the robot: Sense-think-act cycle



Agent in Simulation



Simulation Cycle

Cycles (basically 20 msec) with the following steps:

- server sends individual server message with perceptor values (“sensations”) to the agents.
- agents can process perceptor values
- agents can make decisions for next actions
- agent can send agent messages with effector commands
- server collects the effector commands of all agents and calculates resulting new situations

Note that messages are interleaved (next slide)!

Synchronization Server/Agent

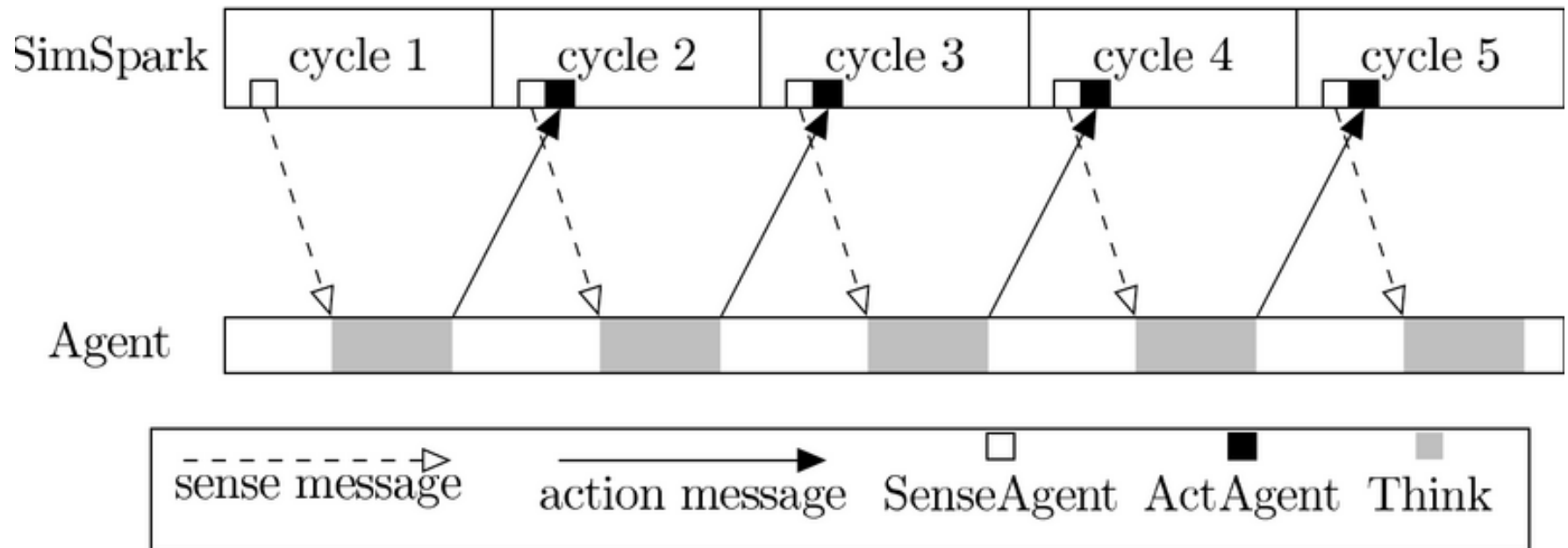


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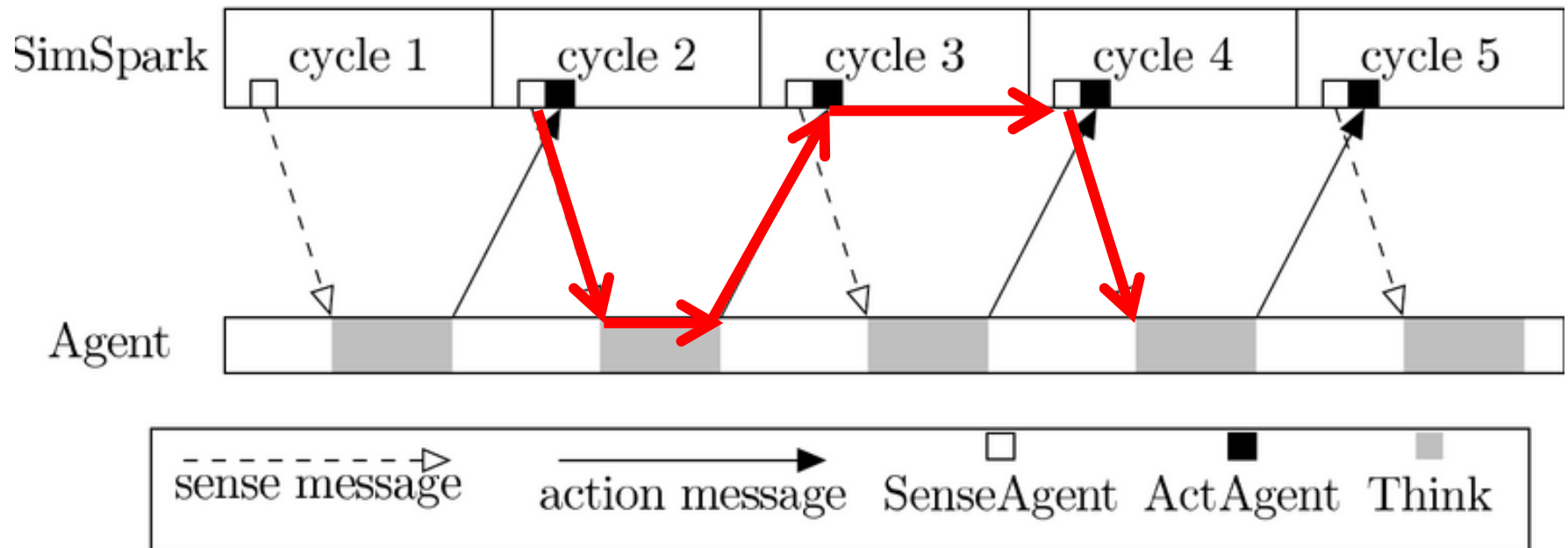


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Unmanned air/surface/underwater vehicles (UAV, USV, UUV):

- Simple design and control (despite obstacles)

Unmanned ground (UGV)

- More complex, depends on the environmental conditions:
 - wheels for (paved) roads
 - tracked vehicles for rough terrain
 - others

Locomotion

Vehicles have simpler actuation than legged robots

Vehicles:

- Accelerate
- Drive
- Turn
- Stop

Legged robots:

- Coordination of limbs
- Complex kinematics
- Stability maintenance (even in stop state)



Special designs

for rolling, snaking, crawling, creeping or jumping



Legged locomotion



Octavio.
Hild, M.: Neurodynamische Module zur
Bewegungssteuerung autonomer mobiler Roboter.
Dissertation 2007 Humboldt Universität zu Berlin

Examples from Boston Dynamics

BigDog



Rhex

Boston Dynamics
<http://www.bostondynamics.com/>

RiSE



Humanoid shape

- for acting in human environments (buildings, using machines, ...)
- for interaction with humans

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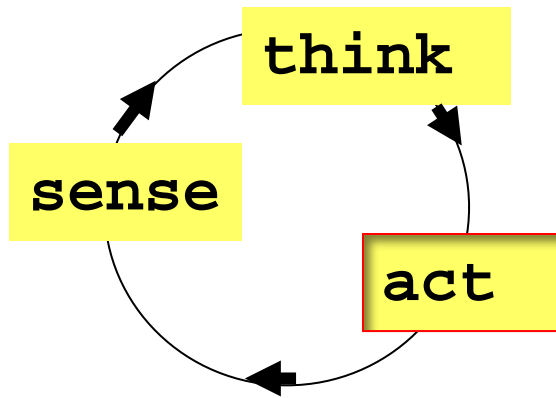
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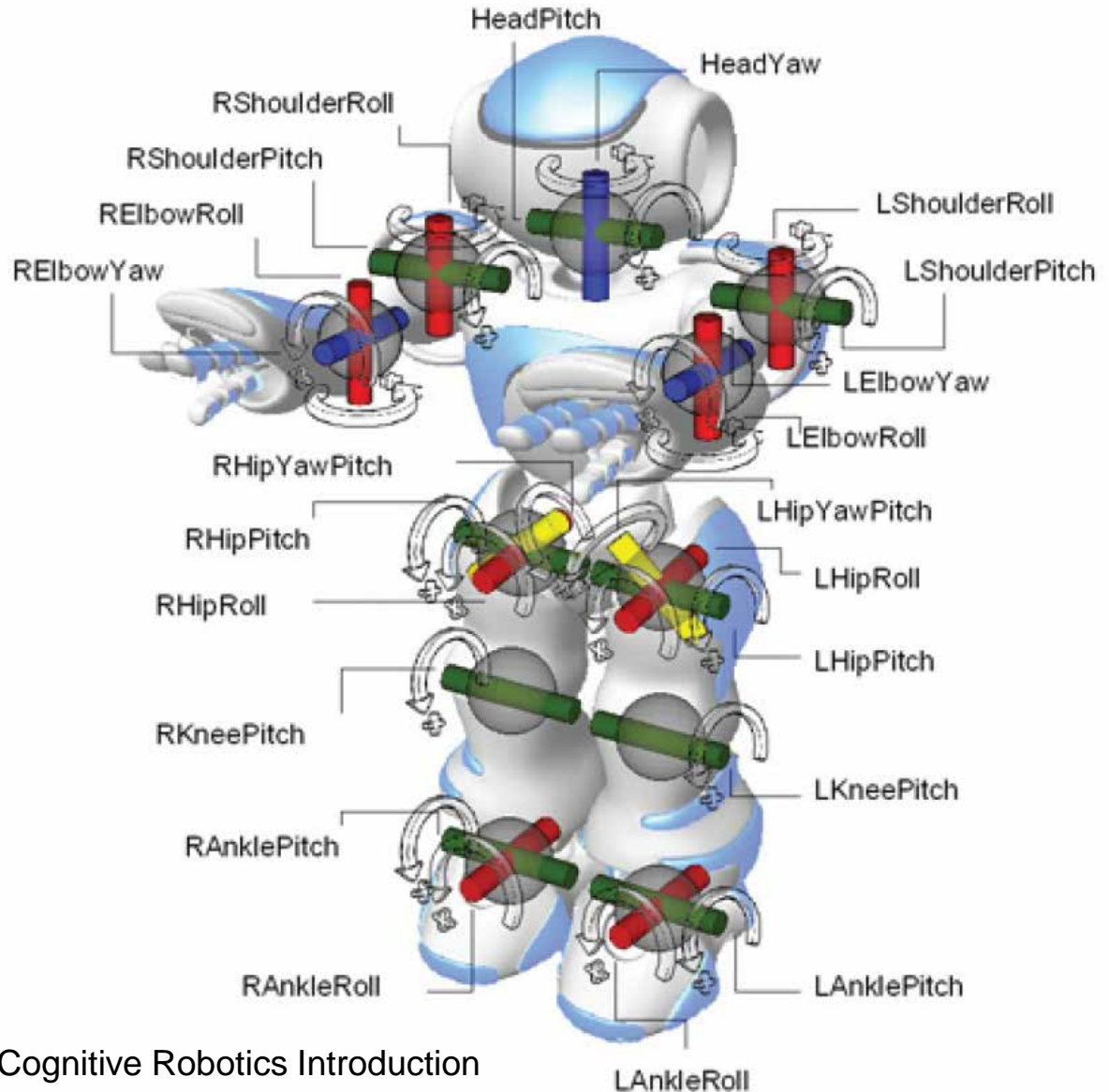
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Effectors for

- Motion
- Speech
- ...

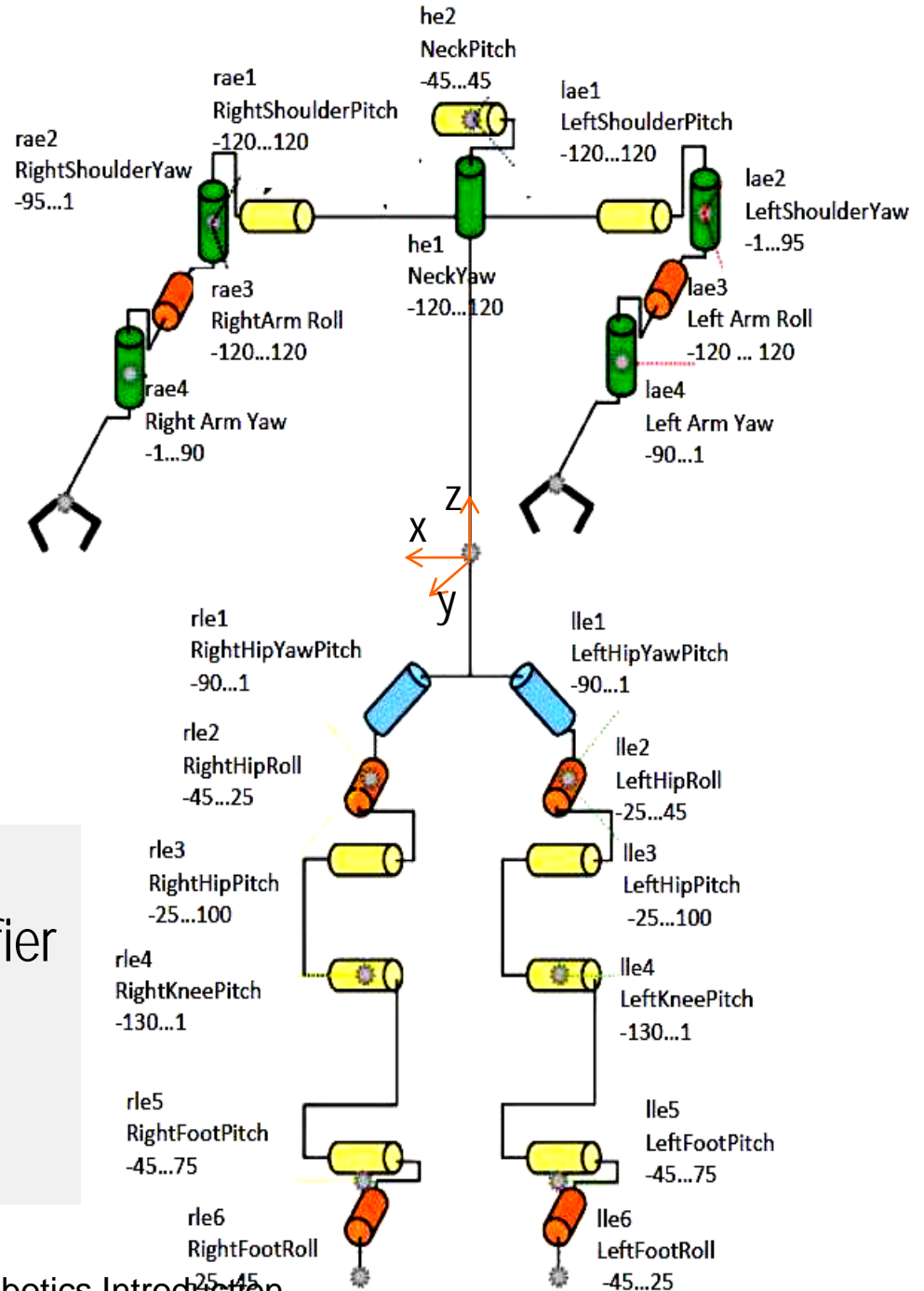
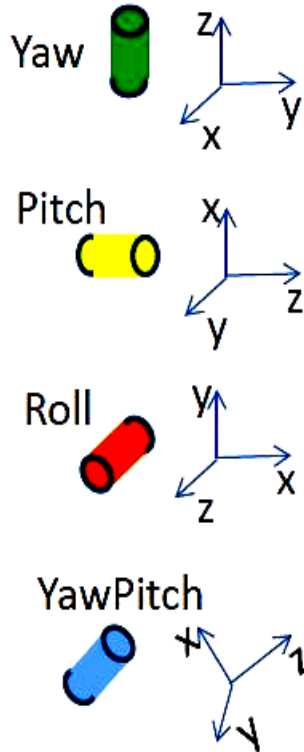
Joints of Nao from Aldebaran



21 Servo-Motors:

- 2 head
- 4 per arm
- 5 per leg
- 1 hip

Nao in SimSpark Simulation



Joints revolve around the roles.
 Abbreviations like `rae2` are identifier in effector messages.
 Ranges of angles are given below the names of the joints.

Effector messages for Hinge Joints

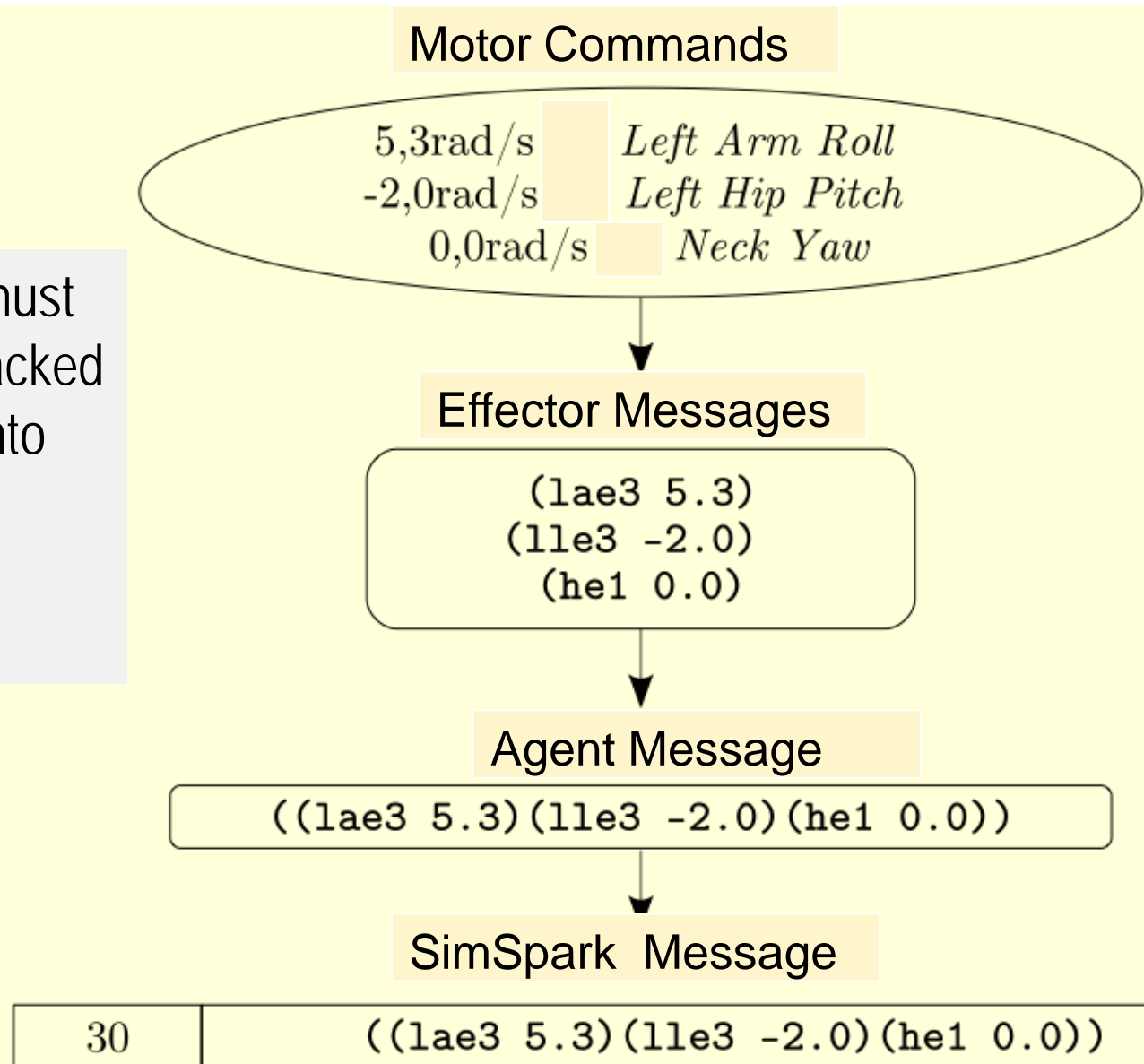
Format: (`<joint> <speed>`) , e.g. (`rae2 2.3`).

speed:

- angular speed in radians per second, range `-p ... +p`
- it is continuously (!) maintained until a new value is set (even if the joint meets its extremity)
- `speed=0`: no movement, joint holds its position.
- robot model has great stiffness, hence effects of other forces (e.g. gravity) have minor influence.

Effector messages for Hinge Joints

Motor commands must be collected and packed as S-expressions into a message. Then they are sent to the simulator.



Effector messages for Hinge Joints

Motor Commands

5,3rad/s *Left Arm Roll*
-2,0rad/s *Left Hip Pitch*
0,0rad/s *Neck Yaw*

Motor commands must

be
as
an
The
to t

```
effOut.setJointCommand(RobotConsts.LeftArmRoll, 5,3);  
effOut.setJointCommand(RobotConsts.RightShoulderPitch, -2.0);  
effOut.setJointCommand(RobotConsts.NeckYaw, 0.0);
```

RoboNewbie provides setter methods for each joint.

Users can address motors just like for real robots and need not to care about messages.

SimSpark Message

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((1ae3 5.3)(11e3 -2.0)(he1 0.0))

Programming Motor Commands

Every cycle (20 msec) new messages can be sent to 22 joints, i.e. 1100 messages have to be determined per second.

Different methods for efficient calculations, e.g.

- Keyframe motions
- Sensor controlled motions
- Model based motions
- Biological principles
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Example: Keyframe Motions

Keyframes:

Characteristic poses during a motion (“like in a comic”).

Originally used in animated movies.

Transition times define speed to reach next pose.

Poses between keyframes are interpolated automatically.

(in our programs by package `keyframeMotion`)

Keyframe

Complete set of joint angles
to be set in given time

Time 1000
HeadPitch HeadYaw 0
RShoulderPitch LShoulderPitch 120
RShoulder RollLShoulderRoll 0
RElbowRoll 90
LElbowRoll -90
RElbowYaw 90
LElbowYaw -90
RHipYawPitch LHipYawPitch 0
RHipPitch LHipPitch -31
RHipRoll LHipRoll 0
RKneePitch LKneePitch 63
RAnklePitch LAnklePitch -31

.....

Motion Skill: Set of Keyframes

```
300 0 -21 -62 32 -69 -59 0 -8 12 -10 -0 12 -11 0 8 12 -0 -3 -11 -110 -32 69 59  
300 -5 -21 -62 46 -69 -59 0 0 18 -0 -9 -4 0 0 -10 -0 17 -5 -62 -46 69 59  
300 0 -21 -62 60 -69 -59 0 8 -10 -0 12 -11 0 8 12 -0 -3 -11 -110 -32 69 59  
300 0 -21 -75 60 -69 -59 0 8 6 -36 27 -11 0 8 12 -15 7 -11 -97 -32 69 59  
300 0 -21 -86 60 -69 -59 0 8 42 -69 13 -11 0 8 12 -30 23 -11 -86 -32 69 59  
300 0 -21 -110 60 -69 -59 0 8 12 -0 -9 -11 0 8 -10 -0 12 -14 -62 -32 69 59  
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300 0 -21 -97 32 -69 -59 0 -8 12 -15 7 11 0 -8 6 -36 27 11 -75 -60 69 59  
300 0 -21 -84 32 -69 -59 0 -8 12 -30 23 11 0 -8 42 -69 13 11 -84 -60 69 59
```

Each line starts with the transition time followed by the target angles of joints in a predefined order.

Keyframe sequences are “played” by class `keyframeMotion`.

Order of Joints in our Keyframes

NeckYaw = 0

NeckPitch = 1

LeftShoulderPitch = 2

LeftShoulderYaw = 3

LeftArmRoll = 4

LeftArmYaw = 5

LeftHipYawPitch = 6

LeftHipRoll = 7

LeftHipPitch = 8

LeftKneePitch = 9

LeftFootPitch = 10

LeftFootRoll = 11

RightHipYawPitch = 12

RightHipRoll = 13

RightHipPitch = 14

RightKneePitch = 15

RightFootPitch = 16

RightFootRoll = 17

RightShoulderPitch = 18

RightShoulderYaw = 19

RightArmRoll = 20

RightArmYaw = 21

Development of Keyframe Motions

You can change the .txt-files of existing motions in directory keyframes.

The new motion will then be used by the program.

You can develop new motions.

- Develop the new motion using MotionEditor for creation and keyframeDeveloper for test.
- Change the program KeyframeMotion as explained there.
- Use the new motion in your program.
(as e.g. in Agent_SimpleWalkToBall)

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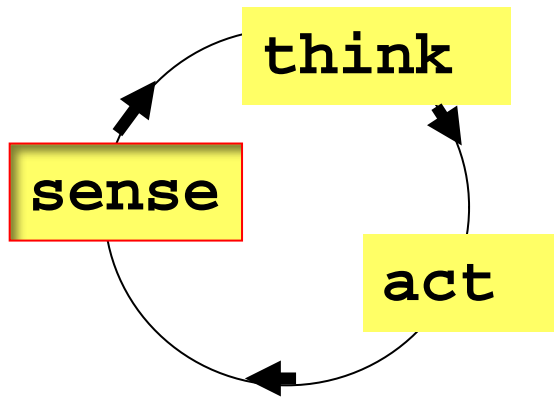
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Perception



Perceptors for

- Vision
- Speech
- Acceleration
- ...

Sensors in Robotics

Other sensor types in technique than in nature.



by Pollinator, by Anthere
(Wikimedia Commons)

But:

Natural systems use more sensors than today robots.

Natural sensors are often more robust.

Technical systems have problems with data interpretation.

Redundancies

Information is usually noisy and incomplete

Much (redundant) information is available

- Vision data
- Audio data
- ...
- Previous data of vision, audio,...
- World knowledge



But it may need extreme efforts to exploit it.

Sensors of Nao (Academic Version 2010)

- 4 Microphones
- 2 CMOS digital cameras
- 32 Hall effect sensors (joints)
- 2 axis gyro
- 3 axis accelerometer
- 2 Bumpers (feet)
- 2 channel sonar
- 2 Infrared
- Tactile Sensor (touch sensor)
- 8 FRS (force sensors, feet)



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SimSpark provides preprocessed information, so called „percepts“, which are received by „perceptor messages“.

The RoboNewbie agents have comfortable access methods for sensor values.

Example of Perceptor Message

(time (now 104.87))(GS (t 0.00) (pm BeforeKickOff))(GYR (n torso) (rt 0.24 -0.05 0.02))(ACC (n torso) (a -0.01 0.05 9.80))(HJ (n hj1) (ax -0.00))(HJ (n hj2) (ax -0.00))(See (G2R (pol 20.11 -18.92 0.84)) (G1R (pol 19.53 -13.04 0.90)) (F1R (pol 19.08 4.58 -1.54)) (F2R (pol 22.73 -33.49 -1.47)) (B (pol 10.12 -33.09 -2.94)) (L (pol 15.13 -55.78 -2.03) (pol 8.67 10.24 -3.34)) (L (pol 22.78 -33.20 -1.23) (pol 19.05 4.32 -1.76)) (L (pol 19.08 4.57 -1.55) (pol 1.81 60.14 -17.11)) (L (pol 22.77 -33.23 -1.26) (pol 14.49 -59.60 -1.79)) (L (pol 17.56 -11.77 -1.83) (pol 18.76 -23.38 -1.60)) (L (pol 17.58 -11.67 -1.74) (pol 19.35 -10.53 -1.53)) (L (pol 18.71 -23.82 -1.97) (pol 20.43 -21.36 -1.45)) (L (pol 11.68 -28.23 -2.73) (pol 10.93 -23.90 -2.69)) (L (pol 10.91 -24.22 -2.95) (pol 9.84 -22.59 -3.02)) (L (pol 9.84 -22.64 -3.06) (pol 8.81 -25.74 -3.68)) (L (pol 8.83 -25.33 -3.34) (pol 8.35 -32.24 -3.68)) (L (pol 8.35 -32.20 -3.64) (pol 8.69 -39.32 -3.48)) (L (pol 8.68 -39.59 -3.71) (pol 9.63 -43.18 -3.37)) (L (pol 9.65 -42.85 -3.10) (pol 10.75 -42.17 -2.80)) (L (pol 10.75 -42.28 -2.89) (pol 11.61 -38.36 -2.50)) (L (pol 11.62 -38.15 -2.33) (pol 11.94 -33.38 -2.58)) (L (pol 11.94 -33.31 -2.52) (pol 11.70 -28.03 -2.56)))(HJ (n raj1) (ax -0.00))(HJ (n raj2) (ax 0.00))(HJ (n raj3) (ax 0.00))(HJ (n raj4) (ax 0.00))(HJ (n laj1) (ax -0.01))(HJ (n laj2) (ax 0.00))(HJ (n laj3) (ax -0.00))(HJ (n laj4) (ax -0.00))(HJ (n rlj1) (ax 0.01))(HJ (n rlj2) (ax 0.00))(HJ (n rlj3) (ax 0.01))(HJ (n rlj4) (ax -0.00))(HJ (n rlj5) (ax 0.00))(FRP (n rf) (c -0.02 -0.00 -0.02) (f -0.02 -0.17 22.52))(HJ (n rlj6) (ax -0.00))(HJ (n llj1) (ax -0.01))(HJ (n llj2) (ax 0.01))(HJ (n llj3) (ax 0.00))(HJ (n llj4) (ax -0.00))(HJ (n llj5) (ax 0.00))(FRP (n lf) (c 0.02 -0.01 -0.01) (f -0.08 -0.20 22.63))(HJ (n llj6) (ax 0.00))

Perceptors of SimSpark Soccer Simulator

- Hinge Joint Perceptors
- Vision Perceptor at the head
- Gyrometer in the torso
- Accelerometer in the torso
- Force Resistance Perceptor at the feet
- Hear Perceptor at the head
- Game State Perceptor

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Gyrometer and Accelerometer

Accelerometer (acceleration in m/s^2 of torso relative to free fall).

Format:

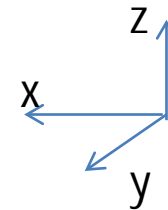
(ACC (n <name>) (a <x> <y> <z>))

Example:

(ACC (n torso) (a 0.00 0.00 9.81))

Orientation:

y-axis in facing direction



Measurements regard motion in last cycle.

Gyrometer (change rates in degrees/s for orientation of torso)

Format:

(GYR (n torso) (rt <x> <y> <z>))

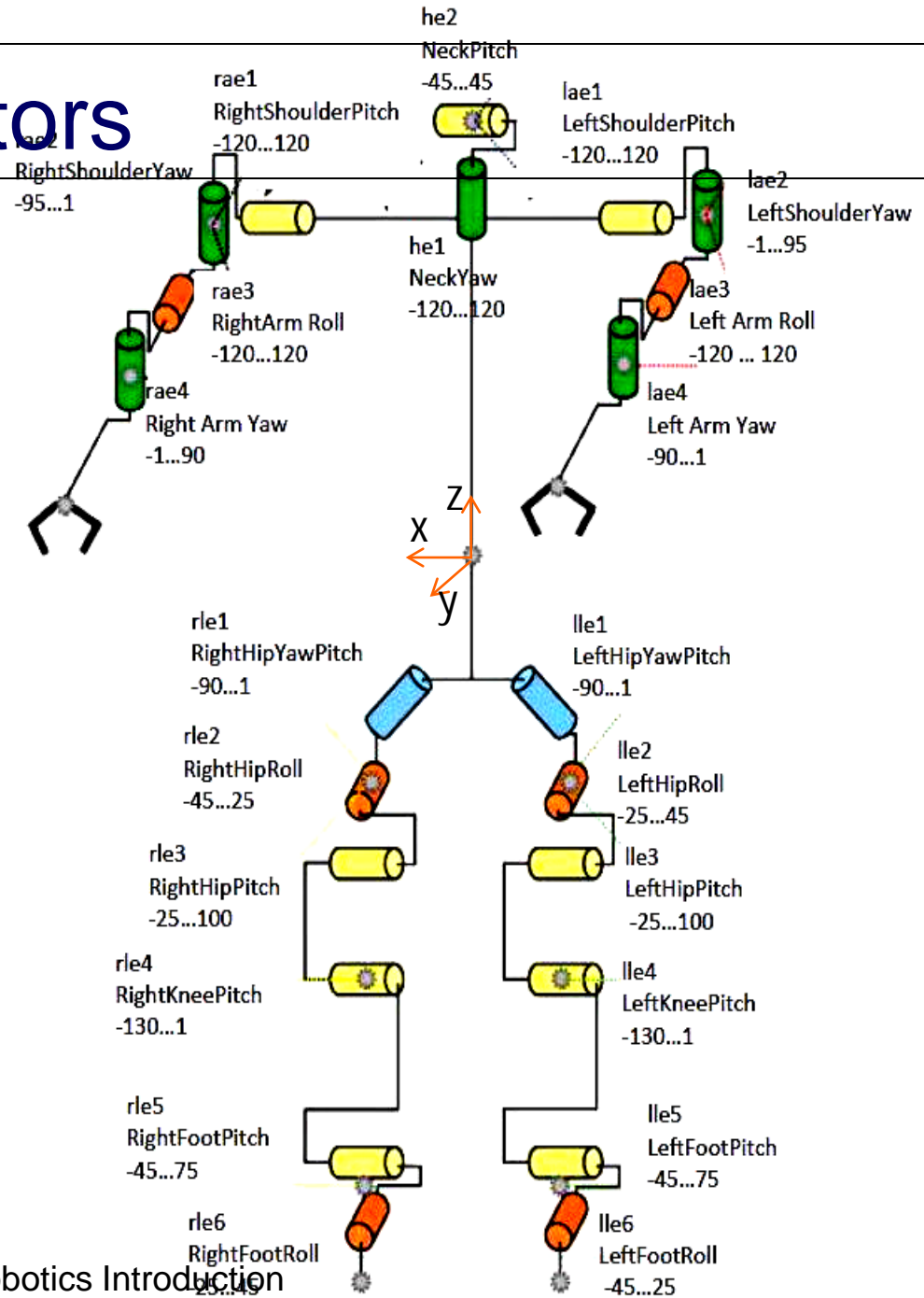
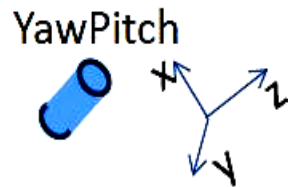
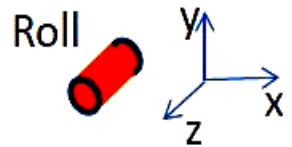
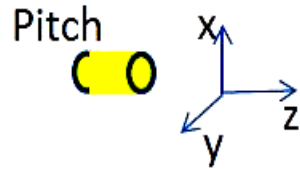
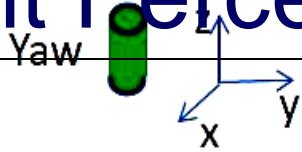
Example:

(GYR (n torso) (rt 0.01 0.07 0.46))

Hinge Joint Perceptors

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Hinge Joint Perceptors



Format:

(HJ (n <name>) (ax <ax>))

Example:

(HJ (n laj3) (ax -1.02))

Vision Perceptor

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Vision Perceptor

Information comes only each 3rd cycle, i.e. each 60 msec.

No image processing.

Simulator provides correct perceptor values

Format:

(See

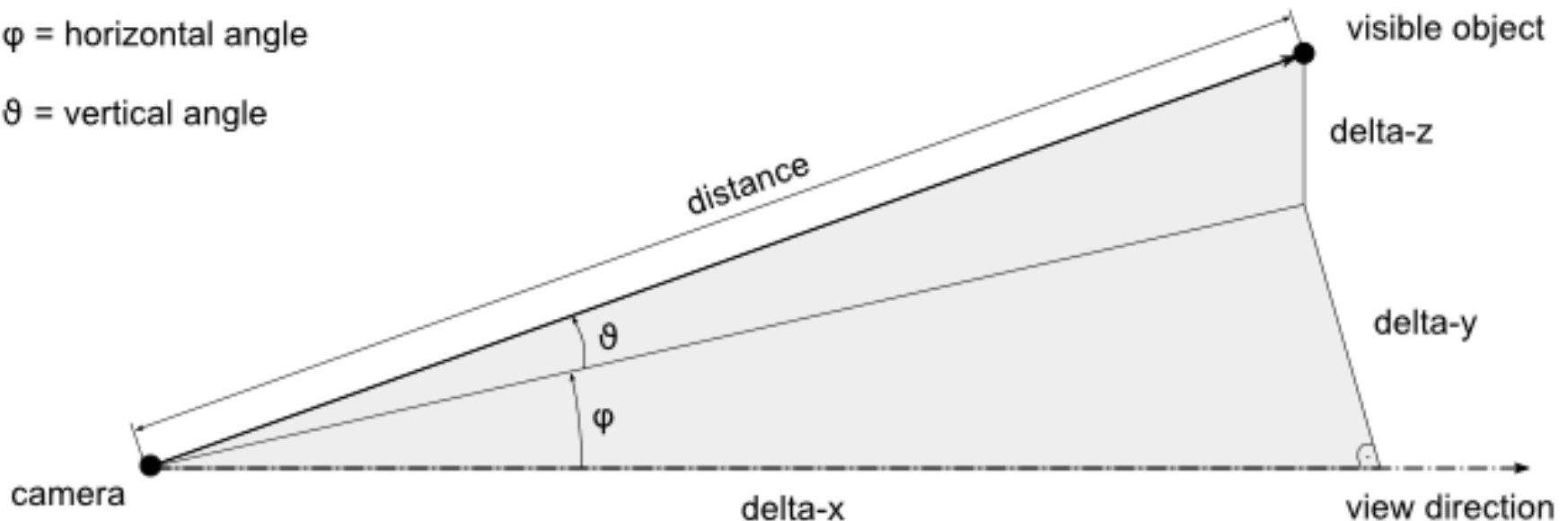
(<name> (pol <distance> <angle1> <angle2>))

(P (team <teamname>) (id <playerID>) (pol <distance> <angle1> <angle2>)))

View angle of camera is 120 degrees horizontally and vertically

φ = horizontal angle

θ = vertical angle



Visual Information SimSpark

Example:

(See (G2R (pol 17.55 -3.33 4.31))

(G1R (pol 17.52 3.27 4.07))

(F1R (pol 18.52 18.94 1.54))

(F2R (pol 18.52 -18.91 1.52))

(B (pol 8.51 -0.21 -0.17))

(P (team teamRed) (id 1) (head (pol 16.98 -0.21 3.19))

(rlowerarm (pol 16.83 -0.06 2.80)) (llowerarm (pol 16.86 -0.36 3.10))

(rfoot (pol 17.00 0.29 1.68)) (lfoot (pol 16.95 -0.51 1.32)))

(P (team teamBlue) (id 3)

(rlowerarm (pol 0.18 -33.55 -20.16)) (llowerarm (pol 0.18 34.29 -19.80))))

(L (pol 12.11 -40.77 -2.40) (pol 12.95 -37.76 -2.41))

(L (pol 12.97 -37.56 -2.24) (pol 13.32 -32.98 -2.20))

SimSpark message
(example data are marked)

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```
((time (now 38.80)) (GS (t 0.00) (pm BeforeKickOff)) (GYR (n torso) (rt 0.01 0.23 0.25)) (ACC (n torso) (a -0.15 0.16 9.82)) (HJ (n hj1) (ax -0.00)) (HJ (n hj2) (ax 0.00)) (See (G1L (pol 1.85 -11.75 8.43)) (G2L (pol 1.85 58.21 8.26)) (F1L (pol 7.18 -55.00 -4.33)) (P (team FHO) (id 1) (rlowerarm (pol 0.19 -35.49 -22.26)) (llowerarm (pol 0.18 36.42 -22.09))) (L (pol 1.95 60.07 -15.90) (pol 7.17 -54.92 -4.27)) (L (pol 7.07 -60.05 -4.37) (pol 7.18 -54.92 -4.26)) (L (pol 2.03 -60.04 -15.30) (pol 2.51 -29.39 -12.25))) (HJ (n raj1) (ax -0.01)) (HJ (n raj2) (ax 0.00)) (HJ (n raj3) (ax 0.00)) (HJ (n raj4) (ax -0.00)) (HJ (n laj1) (ax -0.00)) (HJ (n laj2) (ax 0.00)) (HJ (n laj3) (ax 17.14)) (HJ (n laj4) (ax 0.00)) (HJ (n rlj1) (ax -0.00)) (HJ (n rlj2) (ax -0.02)) (HJ (n rlj3) (ax 0.00)) (HJ (n rlj4) (ax -0.00)) (HJ (n rlj5) (ax 0.01)) (FRP (n rf) (c -0.02 0.02 -0.02) (f -0.60 -0.09 26.08)) (HJ (n rlj6) (ax 0.01)))
```

Semantics of SimSpark Messages

Server message

```
(... (ACC (n torso) (a -0.15 0.16 9.82)) ...  
(HJ (n laj3) (ax 17.14)) ...)
```

Perceptor messages

```
(ACC (n torso) (...  
...  
-0.15 0.16 9.82))  
...  
(HJ (n laj3) (ax 17.14))  
...)
```

Perceptor values

```
...  
Acceleration has values (x,y,z) = (-0.15,0.16,9.82)  
...  
Left Arm Roll has value 17,14°  
....
```

SimSpark message
(example data are marked)

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RoboNewbie provides getter methods for each perceptor data.

Users can read sensor values just like for real robots and need not to care about message parsing and identification.

```
percln.getJoint(RobotConsts.LeftShoulderPitch);  
percln.getAcc();  
percln.getGoalPost(FieldConsts.GoalPostID.G2L);  
percln.getBodyPart(PlayerVisionPerceptor.BodyPart.llowerarm);
```

Data formats are explained in the QuickStart Tutorial examples.

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Left Arm Roll has value 17,14°
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