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Get Started with AWS DeepRacer

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Introduction to Reinforcement Learning

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Introducing AWS DeepRacer



Introducing AWS DeepRacer Evo



How can we put reinforcement learning in the hands of all developers? Literally.

AWS DeepRacer









AWS DeepRacer Evo

3D racing simulator

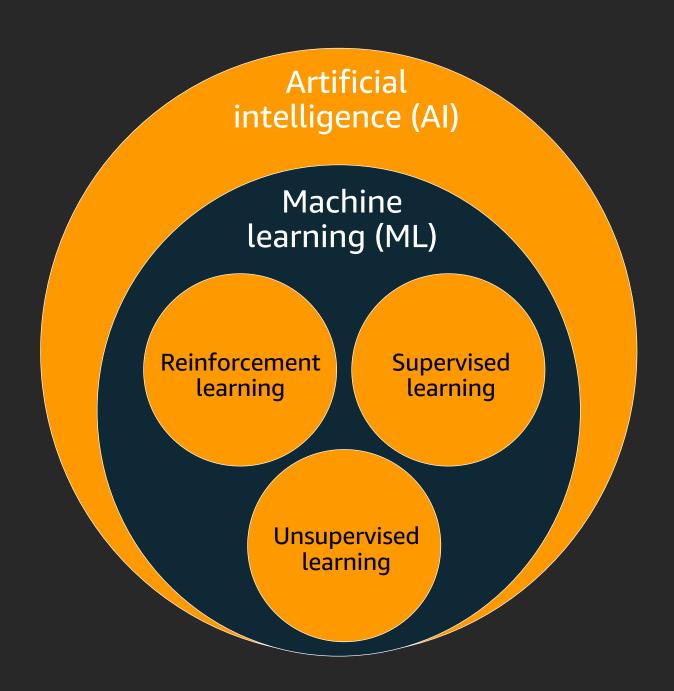
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Community Races

Reinforcement learning for the Sunday driver



Reinforcement learning in the broader AI context

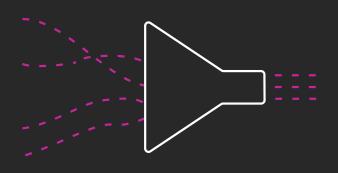


ML overview



Supervised

Example-driven training; every datum has a corresponding label



Unsupervised

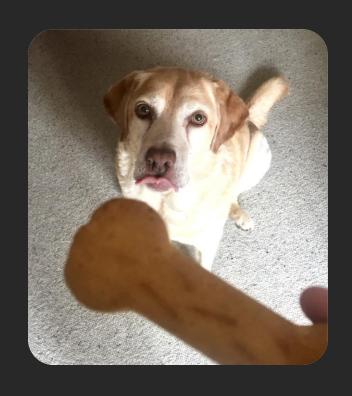
No labels for training data

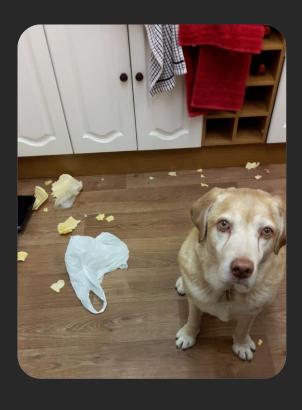


Reinforcement

Learns through consequences of actions in a specific environment

RL in the real world





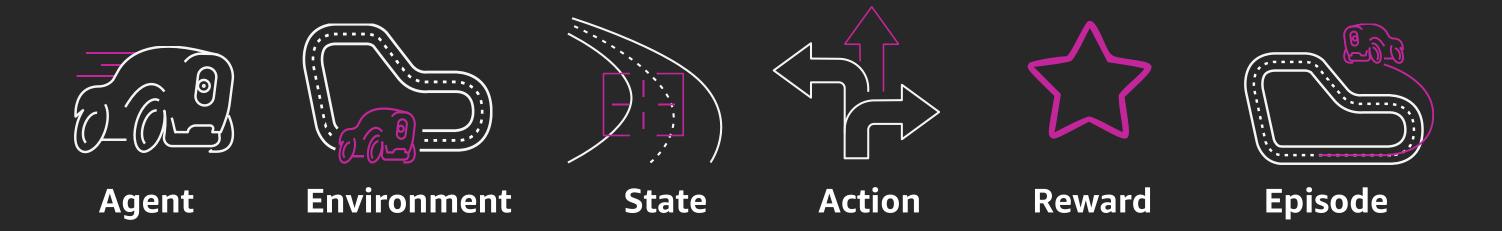


Reward positive behavior

Don't reward negative behavior

The result!

Reinforcement learning terms

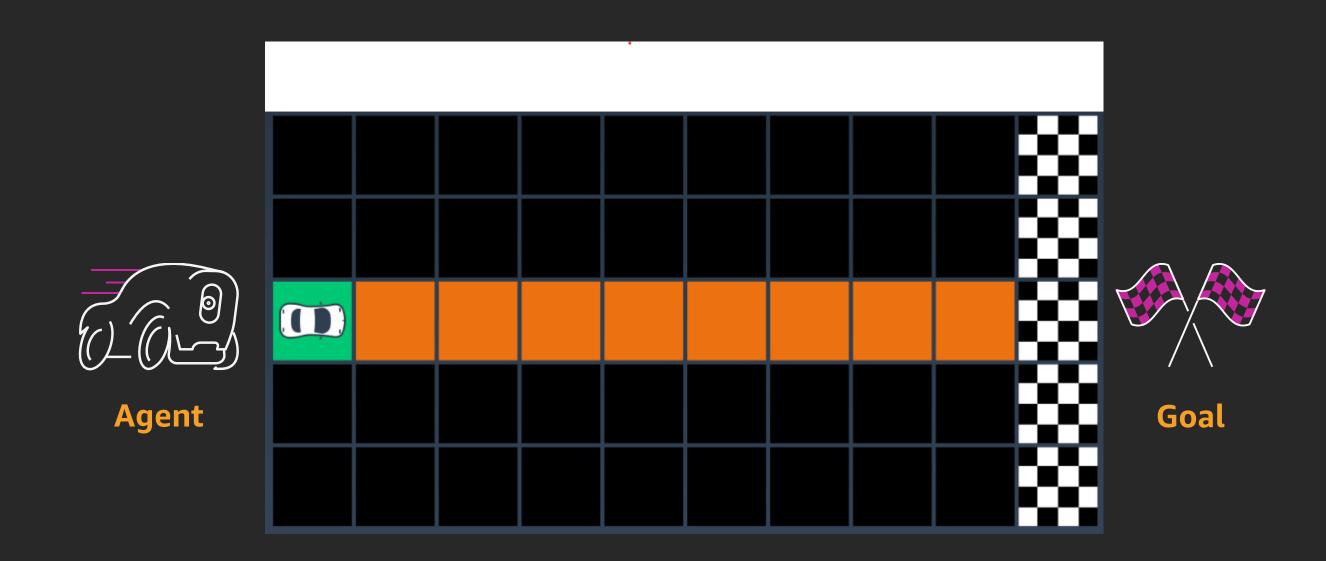


The reward function



The reward function incentivizes particular behaviors and is at the core of reinforcement learning

The reward function in a grid race



Rewards that incentivize center line driving

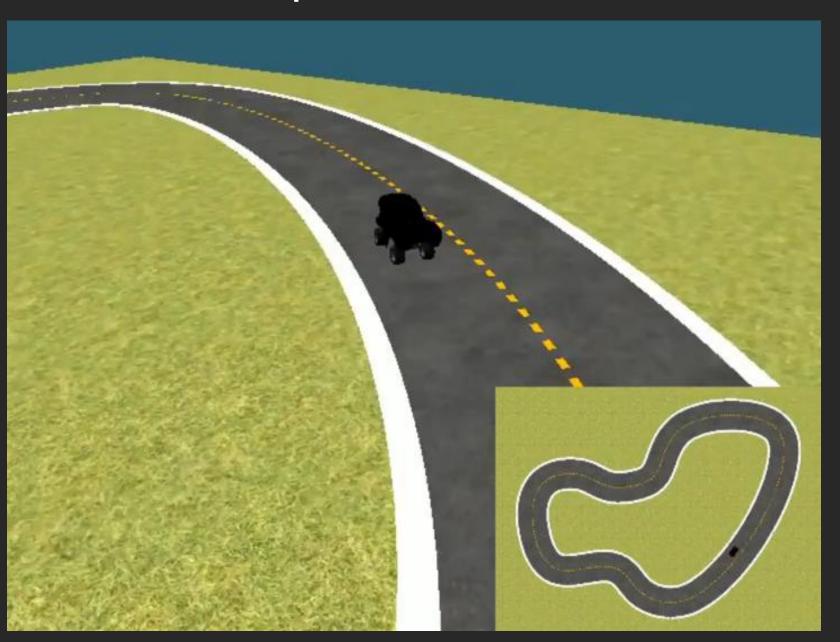
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Iteration and convergence



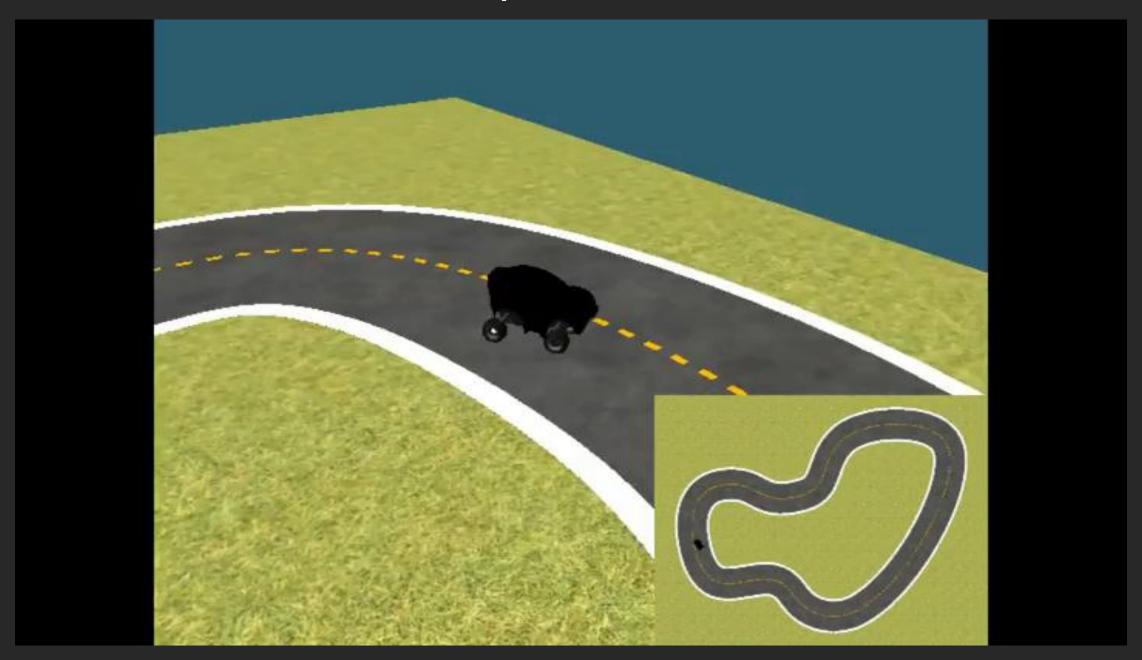
Exploration versus exploitation

Exploration



Exploration versus exploitation

Exploitation



Rewards that incentivize center line driving

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Recap before we continue

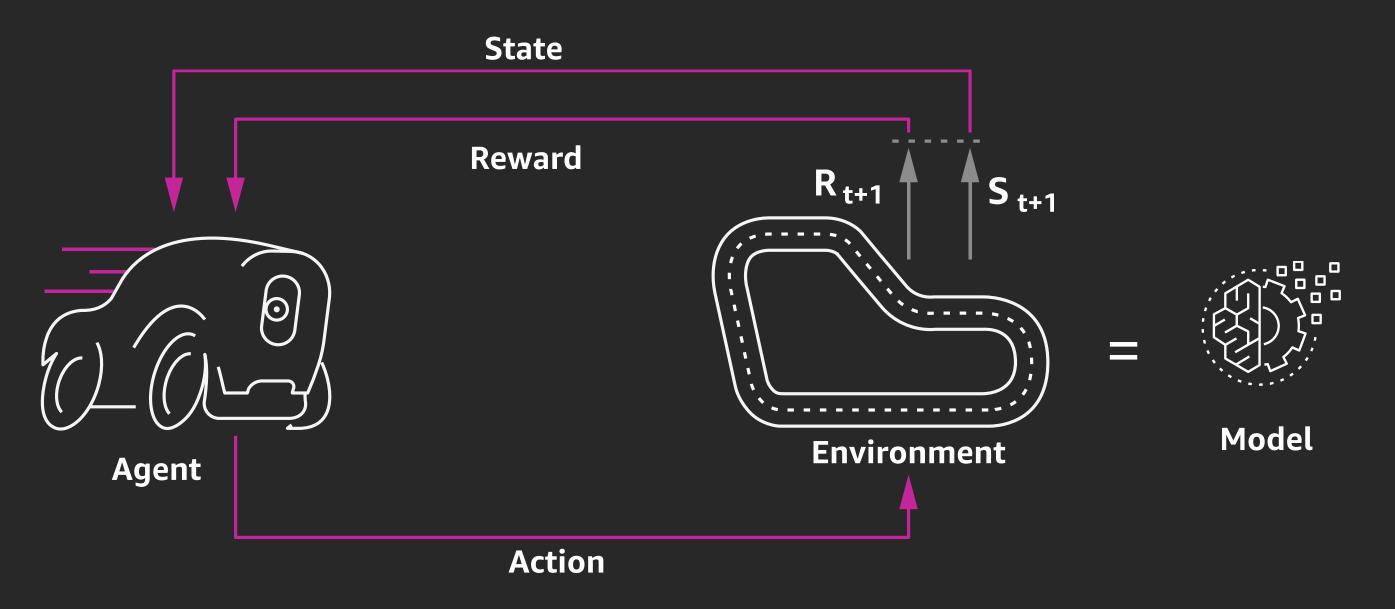
Reinforcement learning



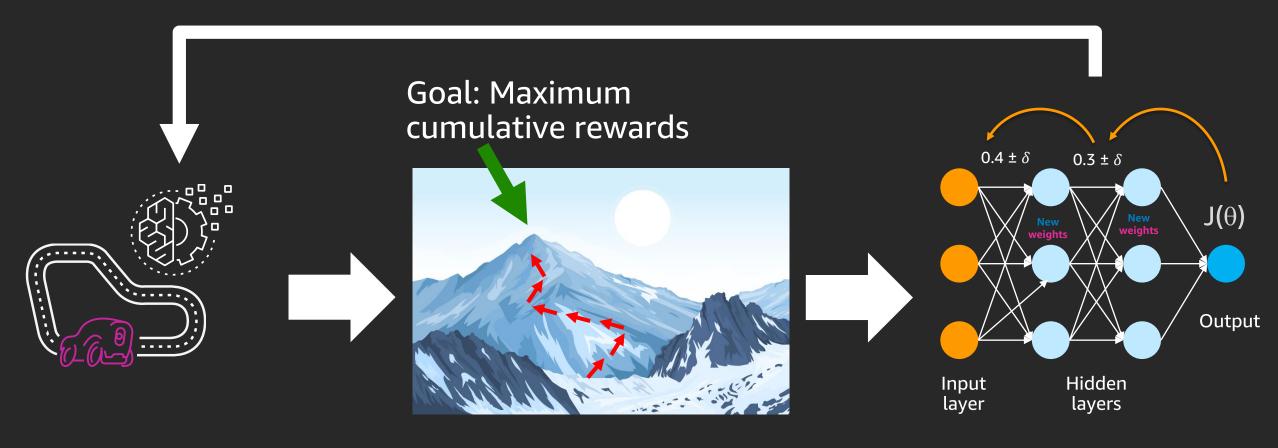


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How does learning happen?



RL algorithms: Vanilla policy gradient

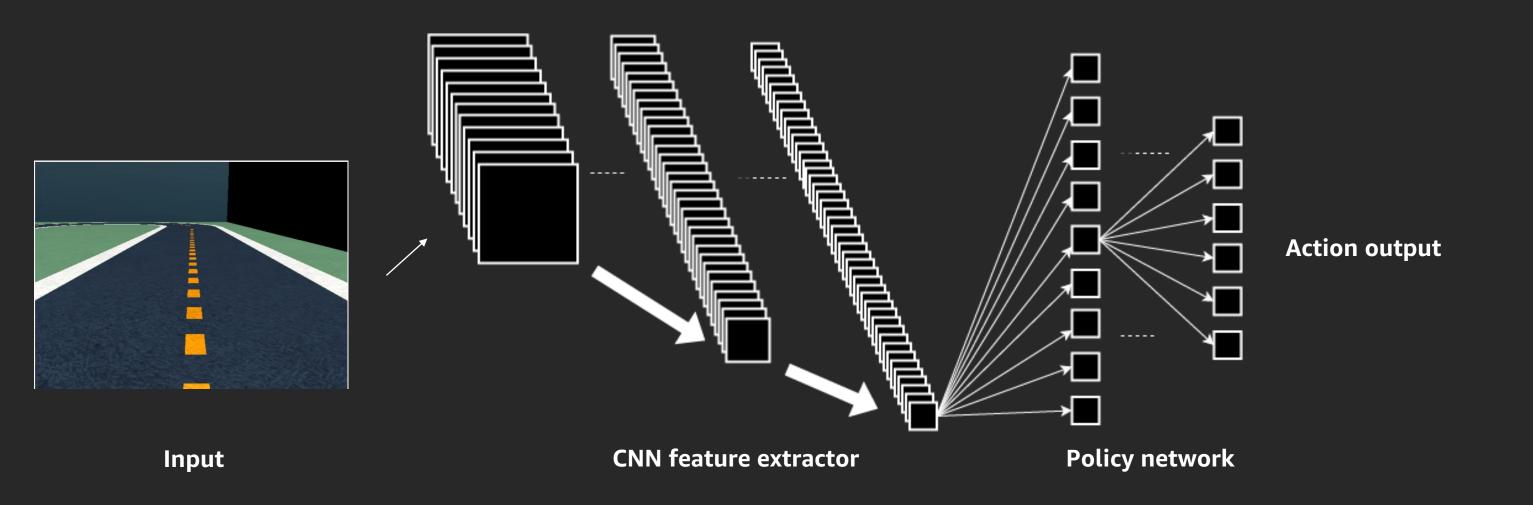


Gather episode using current policy

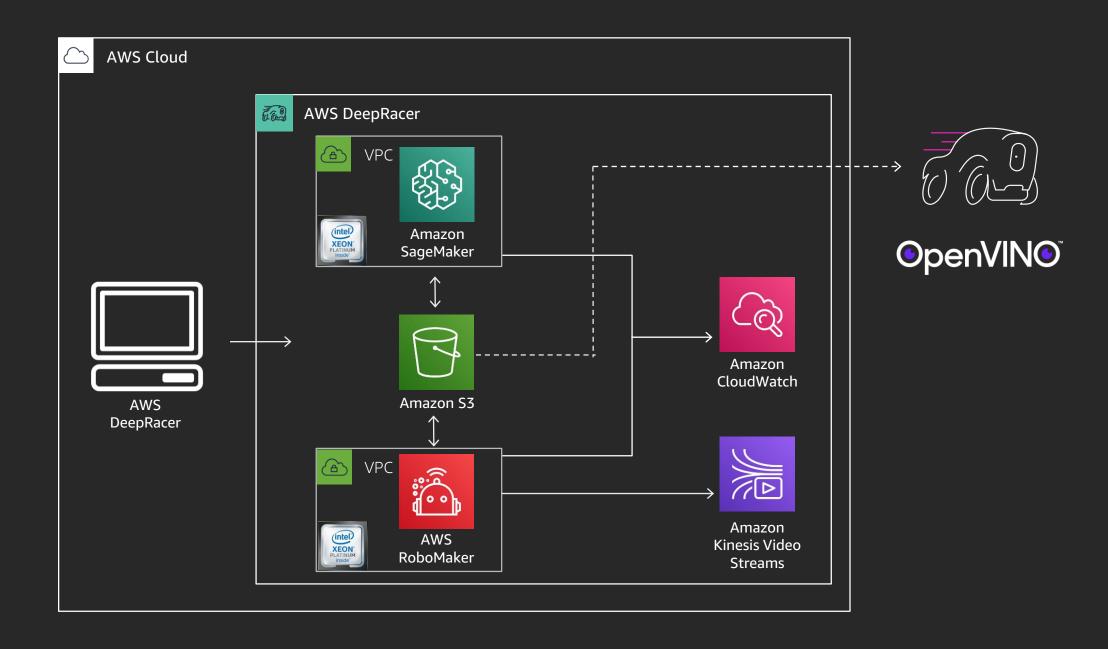
Calculate the gradient of est. cumulative reward

Update the policy for gradient ascent

AWS DeepRacer neural network architecture



AWS DeepRacer simulator architecture



Under the hood

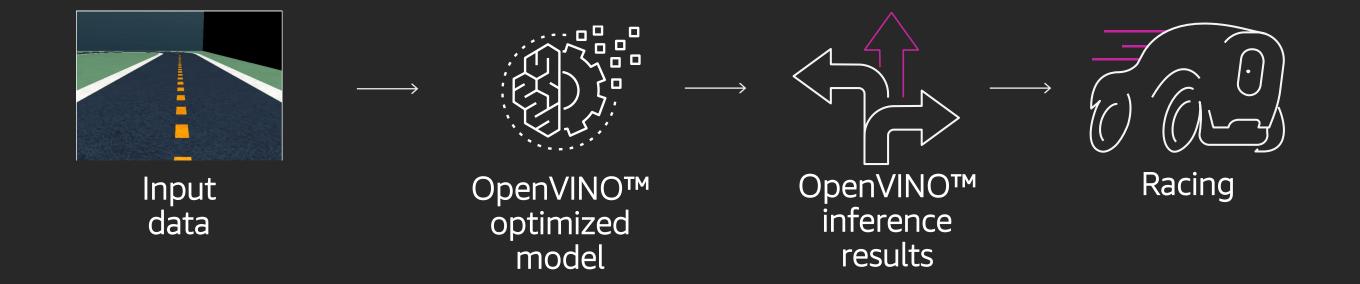
- 1:18 4WD scale car
- Intel Atom processor
- Intel distribution of OpenVINO toolkit
- Stereo Camera (4MP)
- 360 Degree 12 Meters Scanning Radius LIDAR Sensor
- System memory: 4 GB RAM
- 802.11ac Wi-Fi
- Ubuntu 16.04.3 LTS
- ROS Kinetic







Optimizing and inferencing with OpenVINOTM







Demo — Console Walkthrough



AWS DeepRacer League presented by Accenture



AWS DeepRacer League in 2020!



2 ways to race

Online Virtual
Circuit

Summit Circuit

3 race formats

Time trial

Object Avoidance

Head-to-head

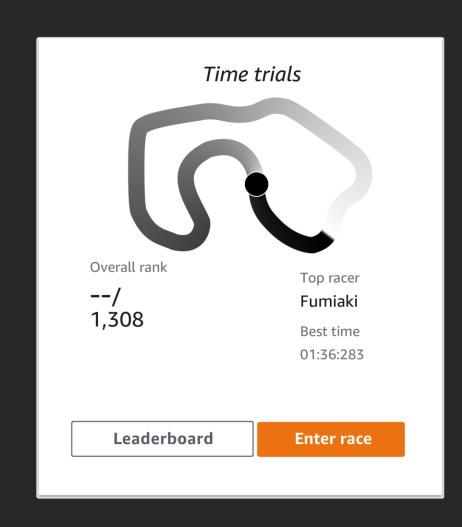
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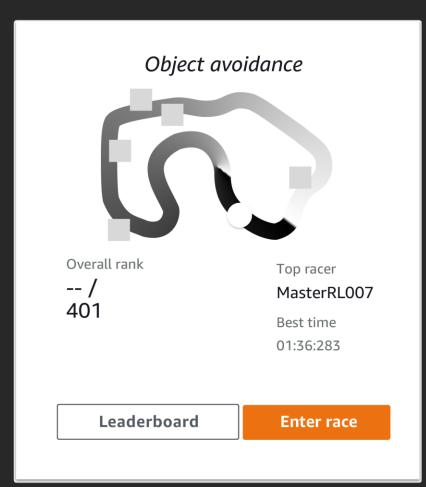
Paid trip to re:Invent!

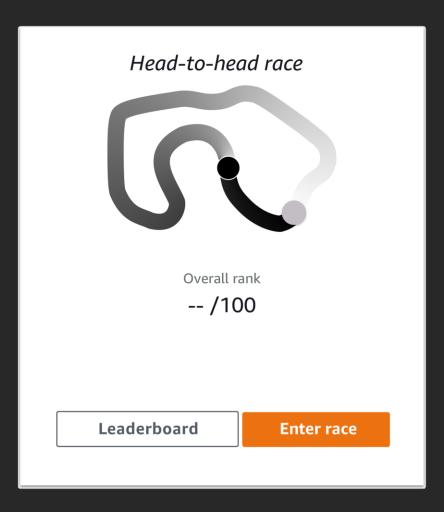
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AWS DeepRacer League 2020: Virtual Circuit







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Additional resources

- DeepRacer Slack Community: http://join.deepracing.io/
- GitHub: https://github.com/aws-samples/aws-deepracer-workshops/
- Free video course: https://www.aws.training/Details/eLearning?id=32143
- Tips: https://aws.amazon.com/deepracer/racing-tips/
- Forum: https://forums.aws.amazon.com/forum.jspa?forumID=318
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