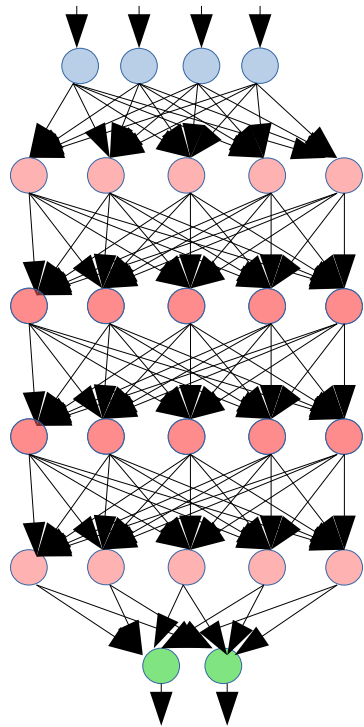


Any Hope for Perceptual DNNs?

$$(r_1, g_1, b_1, \dots, r_N, g_N, b_N)$$

Image (road scene)

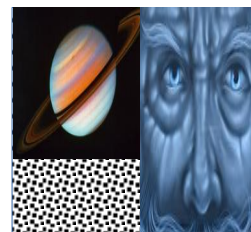
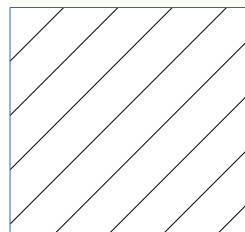


Input is

High dimensional, large input space

| Input Space |

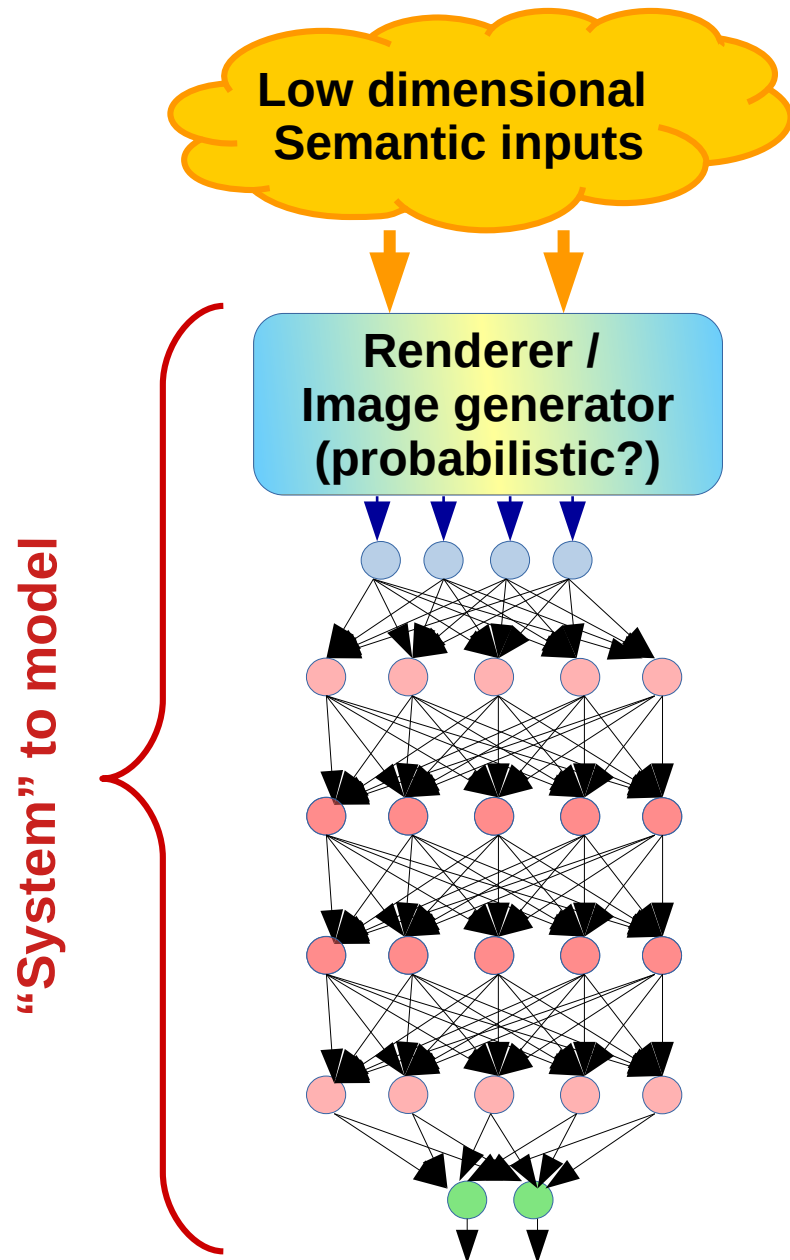
Most images inconsequential, have no semantic similarity to what can possibly arise on a road



“Too congested to accelerate”

Can we restrict specs to a lower dimensional, smaller, meaningful input space?

Any Hope for Perceptual DNNs?



Time of Day: {Morning, Noon, Afternoon, Dusk, Night}
Weather: {Clear, Cloudy, Snowing, Raining}
Lanes: {Wide, Medium, Narrow, None}
Road direction: {Straight, Bending}
Other vehicles within 10m: {0, 1-3, 4-8, 9-15, > 15}
Behaviour of other vehicles: {Lane disciplined, Chaotic}

Dimensions of semantic inp space = 6
|Semantic inp space| = $5 \times 4 \times 4 \times 2 \times 5 \times 2 = 1600$

Dimensions of image inp space = $100 \times 100 \times 3 = 30000$
|Image inp space| = $256^{100 \times 100 \times 3}$

{ Pre-condition on semantic inputs \mathbf{s} }

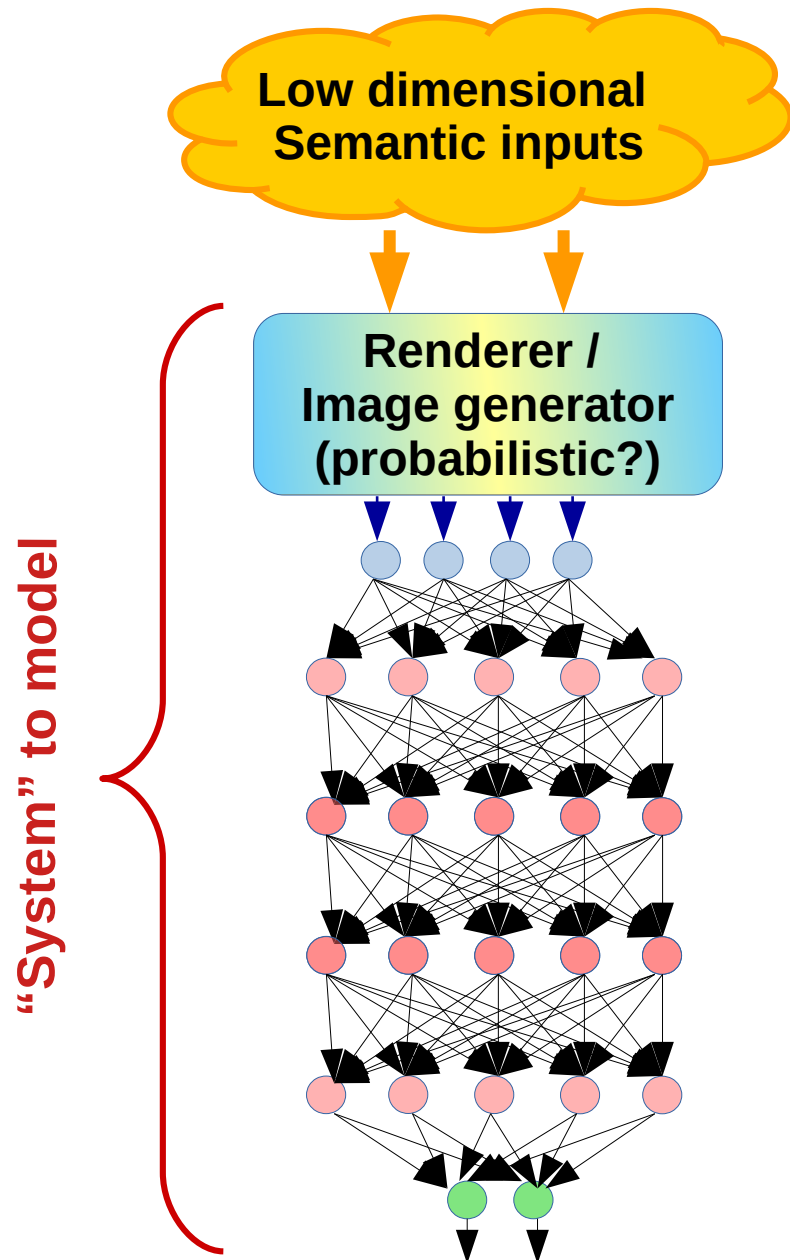
$i \leftarrow \rho(\mathbf{s}); // \rho$: Model of renderer

$y \leftarrow \nu(i); // \nu$: Model of perceptual DNN

{ Post-condition on y }

Any Hope for Perceptual DNNs?

T: {Morning, Noon, Afternoon, Dusk, Night}
 W: {Clear, Cloudy, Snowing, Raining}
 L: {Wide, Medium, Narrow, None}
 Rd: {Straight, Bending}
 O: {0, 1-3, 4-8, 9-15, > 15}
 B: {Lane disciplined, Chaotic}



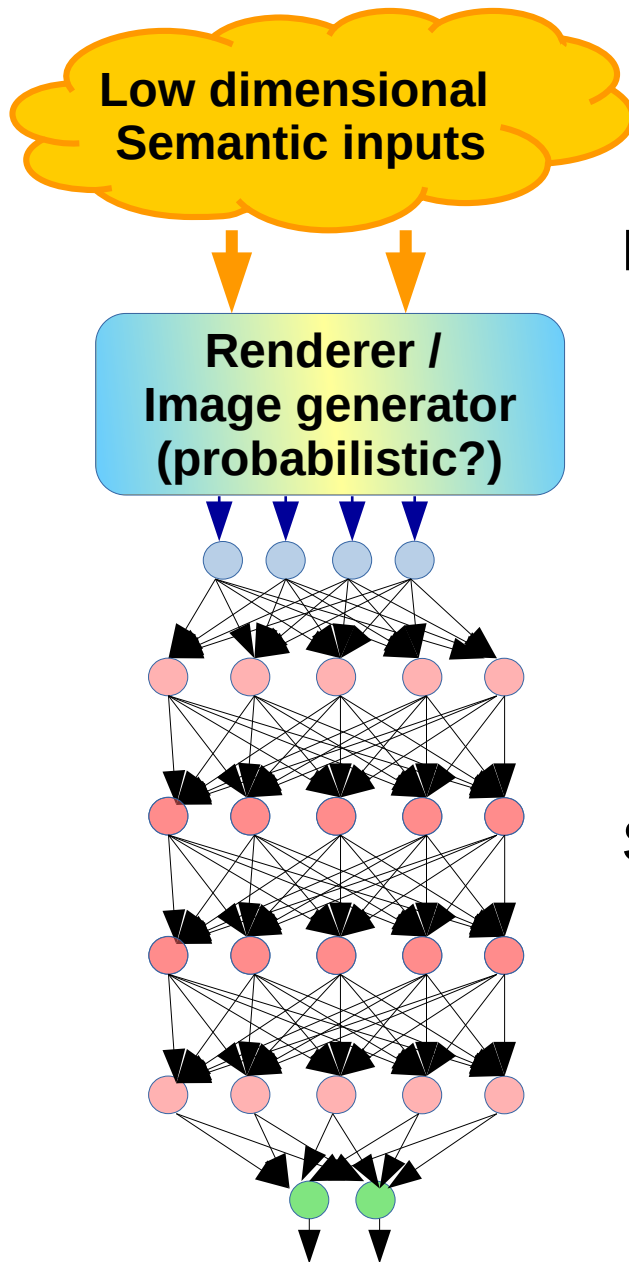
$$\{(O > 15) \vee (L = W) \wedge ((O \geq 9) \wedge (B = \text{Ch})) \vee (L = M) \wedge ((O \geq 9) \vee ((O \geq 4) \wedge (B = \text{Ch}))) \vee ((L = N) \vee (L = \text{None})) \wedge ((O \geq 4) \vee ((O \geq 1) \wedge (B = \text{Ch})))\}$$

$i \leftarrow \rho(T, W, L, Rd, O, B)$; // ρ : Model of renderer

$y \leftarrow \nu(i)$; // ν : Model of perceptual DNN

{ $y = \text{"Too congested to accelerate"} \}$

Any Hope for Perceptual DNNs?



Potential **“problems”**:

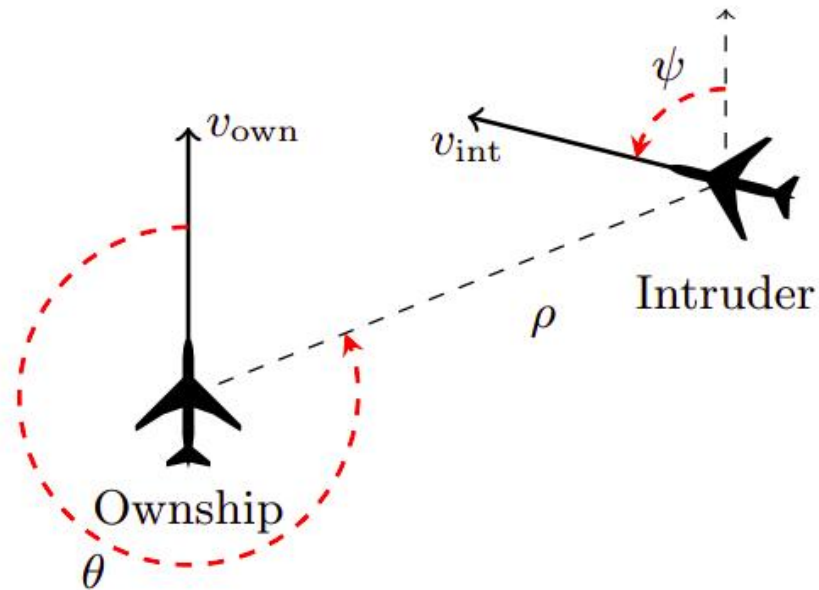
- Doesn't cover entire input space
- Enrich semantic space to cover most/all meaningful inputs
- Use richer rendering modules
- **Need to model renderer**
- Use abstract / non-deterministic / probabilistic models

Significant **“benefits”**:

- Can eliminate large parts of irrelevant/meaningless input space
- Provide guarantees over large parts of meaningful input space

One Spec vs Multiple Sub-specs

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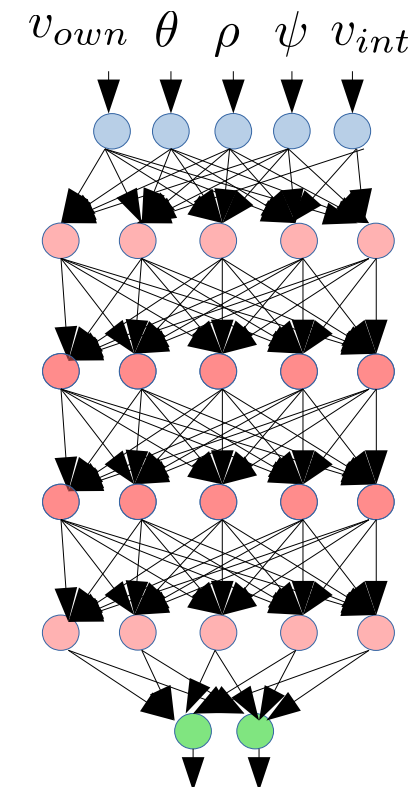
$$\{(\rho \geq 55947.691ft) \wedge (v_{own} \geq 1145ft/s) \wedge (v_{int} \leq 60ft/s)\}$$

$$\text{Score} \leftarrow \nu(\rho, v_{own}, v_{int}, \theta, \psi)$$

$$\{\text{Score}[\text{COC}] \leq 1500\}$$

Spec 1

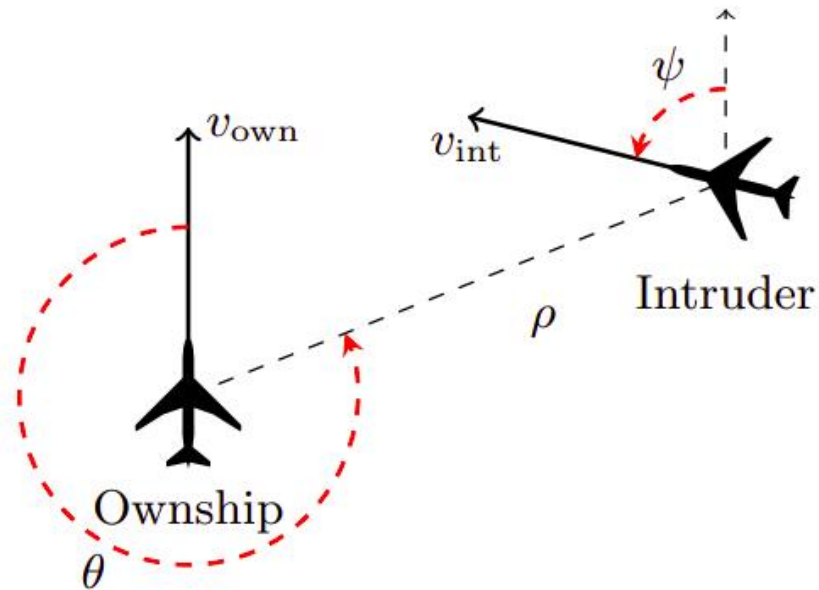
Flight parameters



Score
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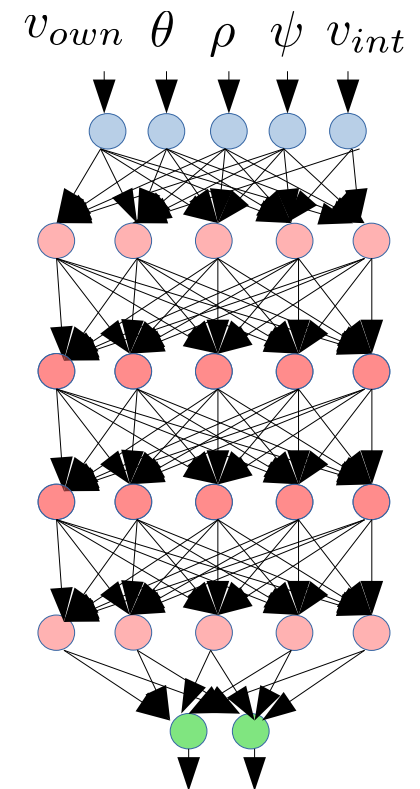
$$\{(0 \leq \rho \leq 60760ft) \wedge (1000 \leq v_{own} \leq 1200ft/s) \wedge (0 \leq v_{int} \leq 1200ft/s) \wedge (-3.141592 \leq \theta, \psi \leq 3.141592)\}$$

$$\mathbf{Score} \leftarrow \nu(\rho, v_{own}, v_{int}, \theta, \psi)$$

Spec 7

$$\{\operatorname{argmin}_x \mathbf{Score}[x] \notin \{\text{StrongRight}, \text{StrongLeft}\}\}$$

Flight parameters



Score
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$$\{(v_{own} \geq 1000ft/s) \wedge (0 \leq v_{int} \leq 1200ft/s)\}$$

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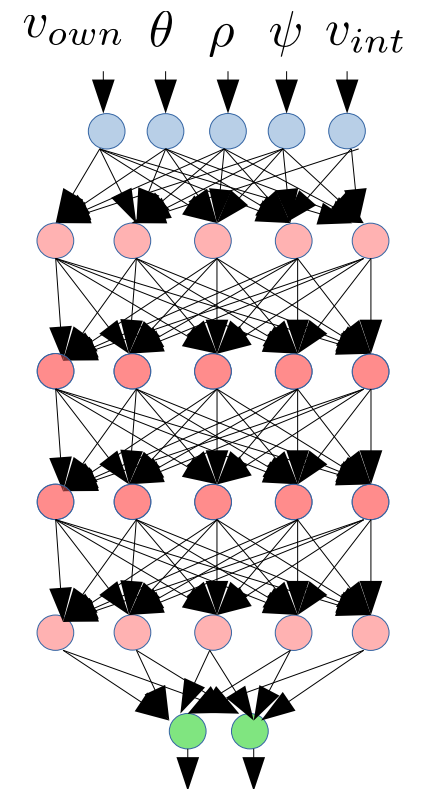
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Specs 1+7

Flight parameters



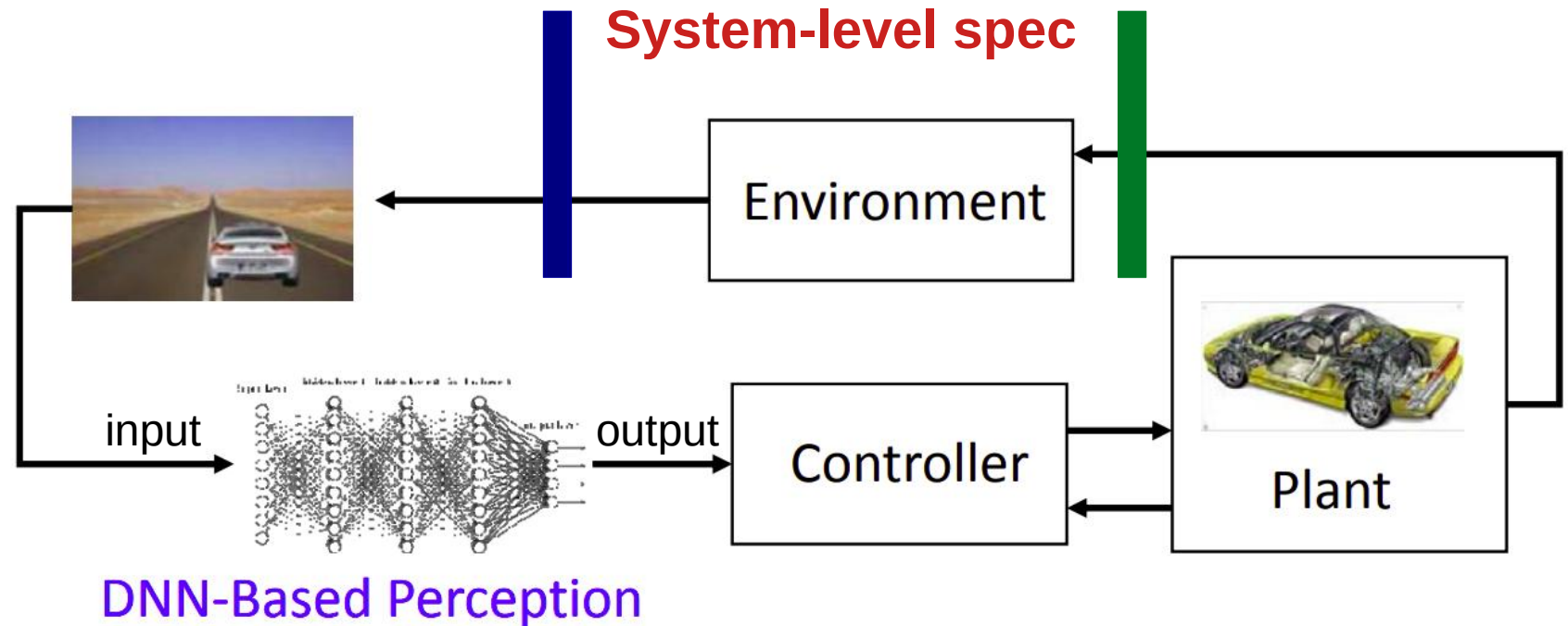
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One Spec vs Multiple Sub-specs

Multiple sub-specs generally preferred over one all-encompassing spec

- Separation of concerns
- Easy understandability
- Proofs often easier
- Modularly build spec over time

Other Ways of Specifying Properties



Source: Seshia et al, Formal Verification of Deep Neural Networks, 2018

{ (own_velocity > 30 km/h) and (road_straight_ahead) and (vehicles_within_5m = 0) }

Model of DNN + Controller + Plant

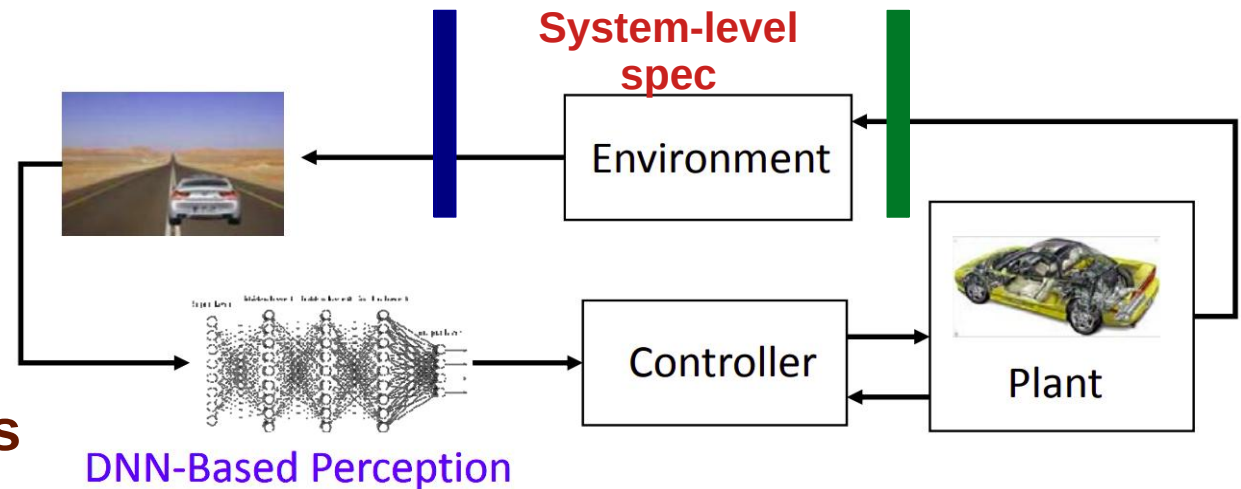
{ Steering = straight }

Other Ways of Specifying Properties

No need for perceptual specs
• Often easier to specify

Require models of other components
• May be harder to verify

Classification errors of DNN may not translate to system level spec violations



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Specifying Properties of Neural Networks



Pause n Reflect

DNNs are intended to mimic human reasoning

Is ideal human reasoning amenable to formal specification?

There are “boundaries” of acceptable/unacceptable human behaviour

Can we specify these boundaries?

Rules, laws, code of conduct

Do they have unique interpretations?

Do they evolve?

Is there a counterpart for neural networks?