# CSE546 PROJECT: MARL WITH NFSP

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### Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning

- Multi-agent environments where more than 1 agent are present and can interact with each other or can influence the environment.
- In the setup being proposed, each agent has its own policy.



# Simple MARL Environment based on Grid world

- The environment is a simple gird environment, consisting of police and robber agents.
- The police catches the robber when it shares the same block as the robber.
- The robber has a speed that's lower than the police. Safety is ensured by having a max timestep of 25 steps per episode.





# Q-Learning on Gridworld















Seek Reward Dynamics



#### Complex MARL environment - LaserTag

In this environment, two adversarial agents play a zero-sum game where each agent's task is to zap the
opponent to gain a reward. The agents have orientation as well, that is, the agents can zap only in 1
direction at a time. If an agent wins, it gets a reward 1 else 0 for every timestep.



FORWARD	=0
BACKWARD	= 1
STEP_LEFT	= 2
STEP_RIGHT	= 3
TURN_LEFT	= 4
TURN_RIGHT	= 5
FORWARD_LEFT	= 6
FORWARD_RIGHT	= 7
BEAM	= 8
STAY	= 9



### Partial visibility During training

• To ensure proper training, only a partial view of the environment is provided to both the agents during training. If the entire environment was visible, the game would be trivial.







# Neural Fictitious Self Play



Deep Reinforcement Learning from Self-Play in Imperfect-Information Games https://arxiv.org/pdf/1603.01121.pdf

# **Training Procedure**

- We have two networks, where one is trained in the RL framework while the other is trained as a supervised network.
- For the supervised network, the training data is stored in the reservoir buffer. It contains the actions that were performed using the RL network. The task of the supervised model is to predict what action was taken given the state. This can be viewed as an average policy.
- For the DQN network, we sample from replay buffer and predict the qvalues using the trainable model using current state and gather the qvalues for actions taken at current state. The next values are obtained using target network and next state. The max of next values + discounted reward is the expected qvalue. The difference between the qvalues from the trainable model and the expected qvalues is the loss.





# Train Logs





#### **Reward Dynamics**



episodes



### **Episode Duration**







#### Thank You