

Adaptive Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Planning



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Charging Infrastructure Deployment Vision

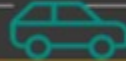
- The number of fast chargers increased by 330,000 globally in 2022¹.



- 60,000 EV Charging Points
- Electrification of half our public bus and taxi fleet



Reducing peak land transport emissions By 80%



- Every HDB Town to be An EV-Ready Town



100% of vehicles to run on cleaner energy

Overview of EV Road Map in Singapore

[1] Global EV Outlook 2023 Catching up with climate ambitions, IEA, 2023

[2] Our EV Vision, LTA, <https://www.lta.gov.sg>

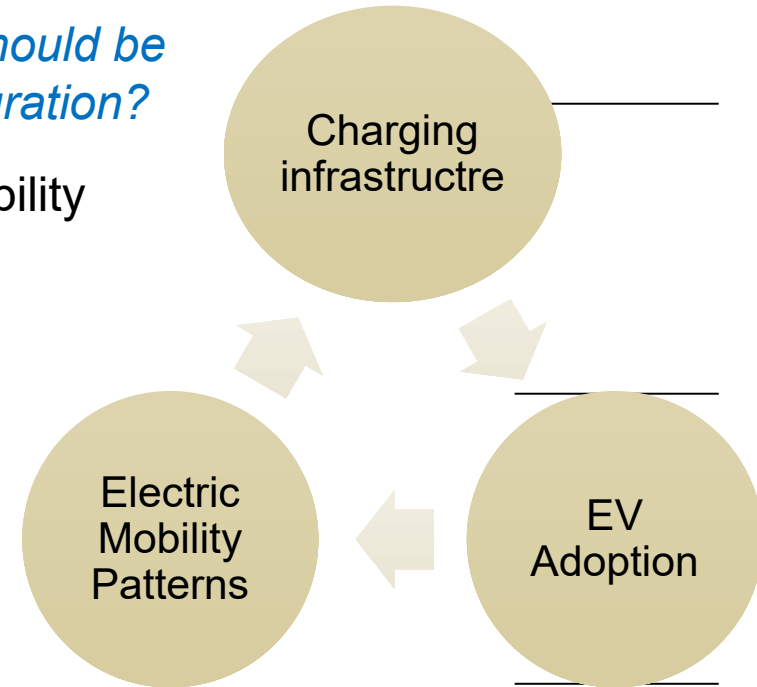
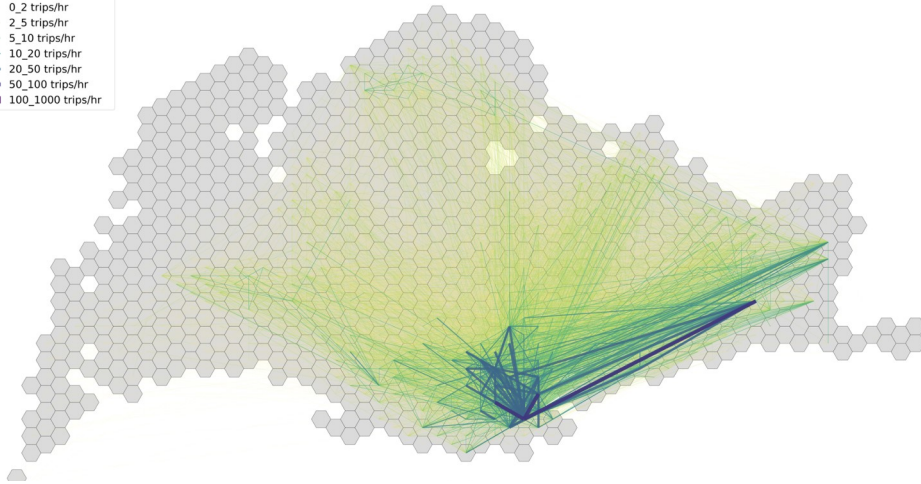
Main Question??

When, where and what capacity/type of chargers should be deployed in future conditional on the existing configuration?

Other uncertain factors: Technology & Land use ↔ Mobility

Peak Hour Travel Demands

- 0_2 trips/hr
- 2_5 trips/hr
- 5_10 trips/hr
- 10_20 trips/hr
- 20_50 trips/hr
- 50_100 trips/hr
- 100_1000 trips/hr

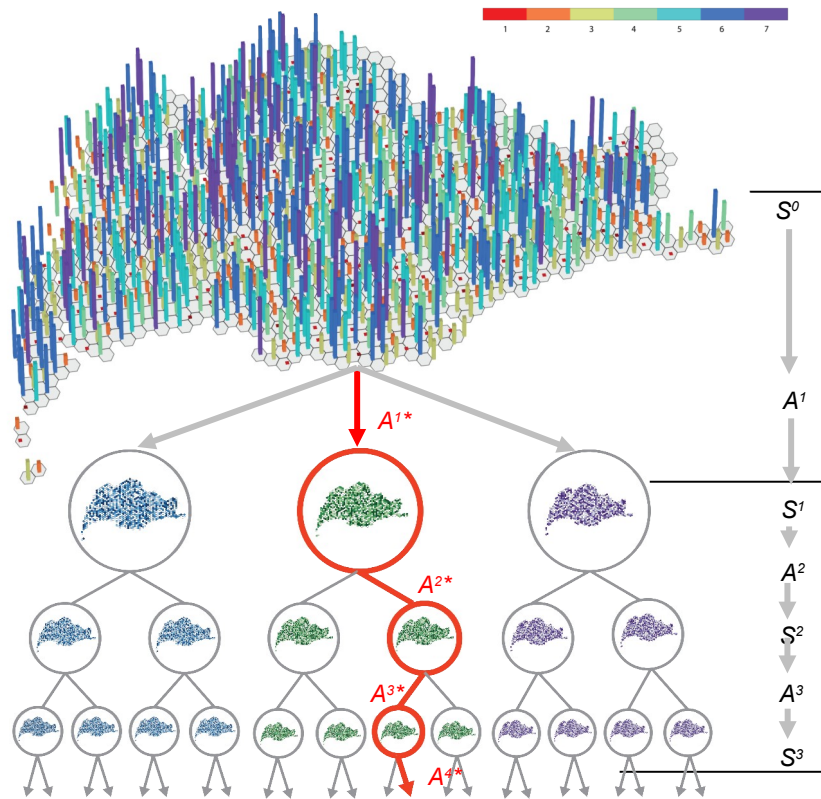
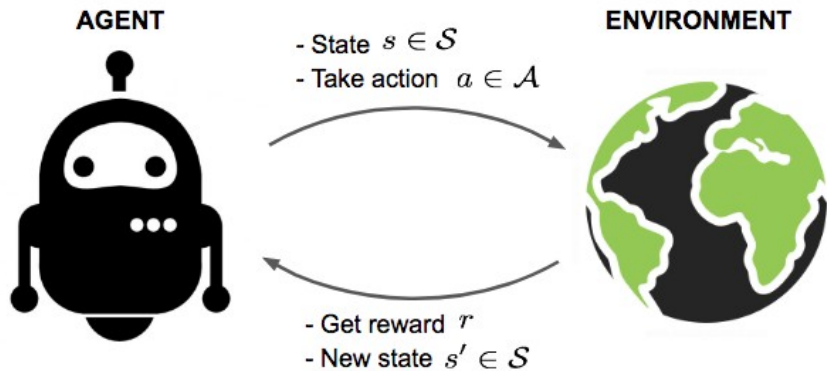


Design **today's** charging infrastructure considering evolving **charging demand**

Proposed Idea

Planning decision support (PDS) tool for a **multi-stage** charging infrastructure planning at an **urban scale** considering

- EV adoption & mobility patterns
- Uncertainty
- Spatial constraints



Sequential Decision-Making Approach

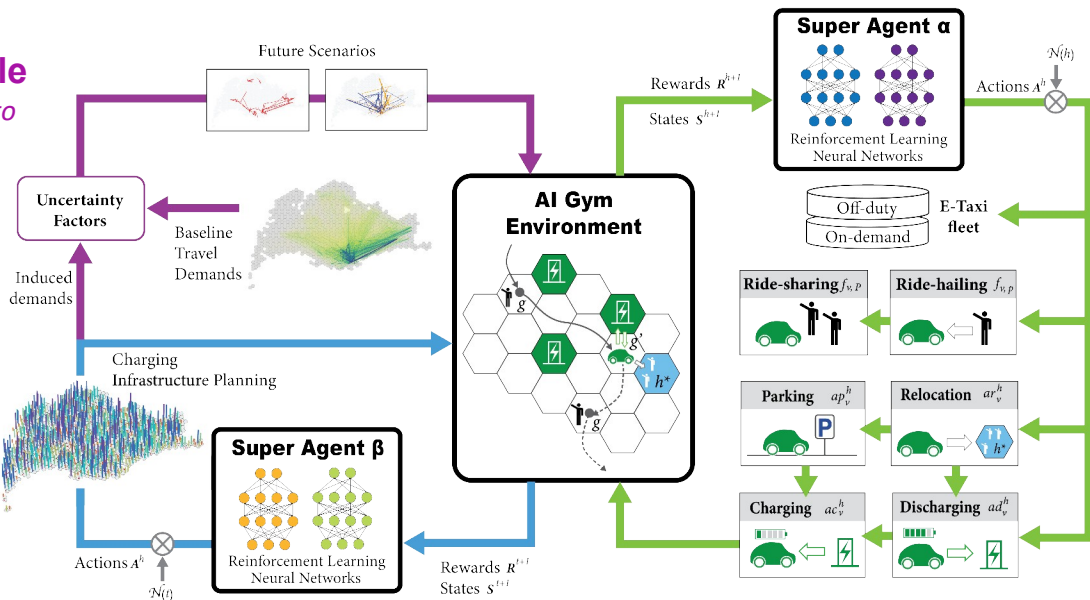
Three modules and *two super agents* optimally controlled at distinctive frequencies, which interact with the system in an *AI gym environment*

Trip Synthesis Module

mapping uncertainty factors to travel demands (include induced demands)

Decision-making Module

Evolving charging infrastructure deployment or dismantle policy (decision frequency $t = 1$ month)



Agent-based Traffic Simulation Module

Model fine-grained multi-behaviours of traffic dynamics of E-taxi (simulation frequency = sec, observation frequency $h = \text{min}$)

Objective Function and Reward

- The **objective function** is composed of *four parts*

$$r_i^t = \underbrace{\eta \sum_{v \in V} \sum_{h \in H^t} \beta_{v,i}^h e^{h,t}}_{\text{Revenue from charging}} - \underbrace{\eta \sum_{v \in V} \sum_{h \in H^t} \beta_{v,i}^h c^{h,t}}_{\text{Electricity cost}} - \underbrace{\sum_{q \in Q} CO_q n_{i,q}^t}_{\text{Maintenance cost (existing chargers)}} - \underbrace{\sum_{q \in Q} CS_q \alpha_{i,q}^t}_{\text{Set-up cost (new chargers)}}$$

- η Time multiplier (=30)
- $\beta_{i,v}^h$ Binary charging state of v at cell i at h
- $e^{h,t}$ Charging fare at time h of t planning step
- $c^{h,t}$ Electricity price at time h of t -period
- $n_{i,q}^t$ Number of installed chargers
- $\alpha_{i,q}^t$ (**decision variable**) number of chargers type q to be deployed

- The **reward** estimates the expectation over all *discounted accumulative reward* of future steps (from t' to the end)

$$\max_{\alpha_{i,q}^t} \mathbb{E}_{i \sim I} \left(\sum_{t=t'}^T \gamma^{t-t'} r_i^t \right)$$

γ discount factor

Uncertainties

- **Battery technology and variations in charging conditions**

Battery size, charging power and charging efficiency affects charging time

$$ct_{v,i,q}^{h,t} = \frac{b_v^t (USOC_v - soc_v^{h,t})}{pow_{i,q} \cdot \mathbf{f}(pow_{i,q})}$$

$ct_{v,i,q}^{h,t}$ charging time

$USOC_v$ upper limit of the state of charge

$\mathbf{f}(\cdot)$ charging efficiency function

b_v^t Battery size of E-taxi at t

$soc_v^{h,t}$ state of charge of v at h

$d_{i,i'}^t$ E-taxi demand between i, i'

$\mathbf{G}(\cdot)$ E-taxi demand forecasting function

- **Induced trip based on EV and E-taxi**

New infrastructure layout affect trips and charging patterns

$$d_{i,i'}^{t+1} = \mathbf{G}(d_{i,i'}^t; \alpha_{i,q}^t)$$

Action (Decision Variable)

Number of type q-chargers to be deployed at a location (cell) i
in planning period t

$$\alpha_{i,q}^t \in \mathbb{N}_{[-n_{i,q}^t, N_{i,q} - n_{i,q}^t]} \quad \forall h \in H^t, t \in T, q \in Q$$

States

Charging demand satisfaction rate: $ss_i^t = \sum_{h \in H^t} \sum_{v \in V} \frac{cha_{i,v}^{h,t}}{req_{i,v}^{h,t}}$

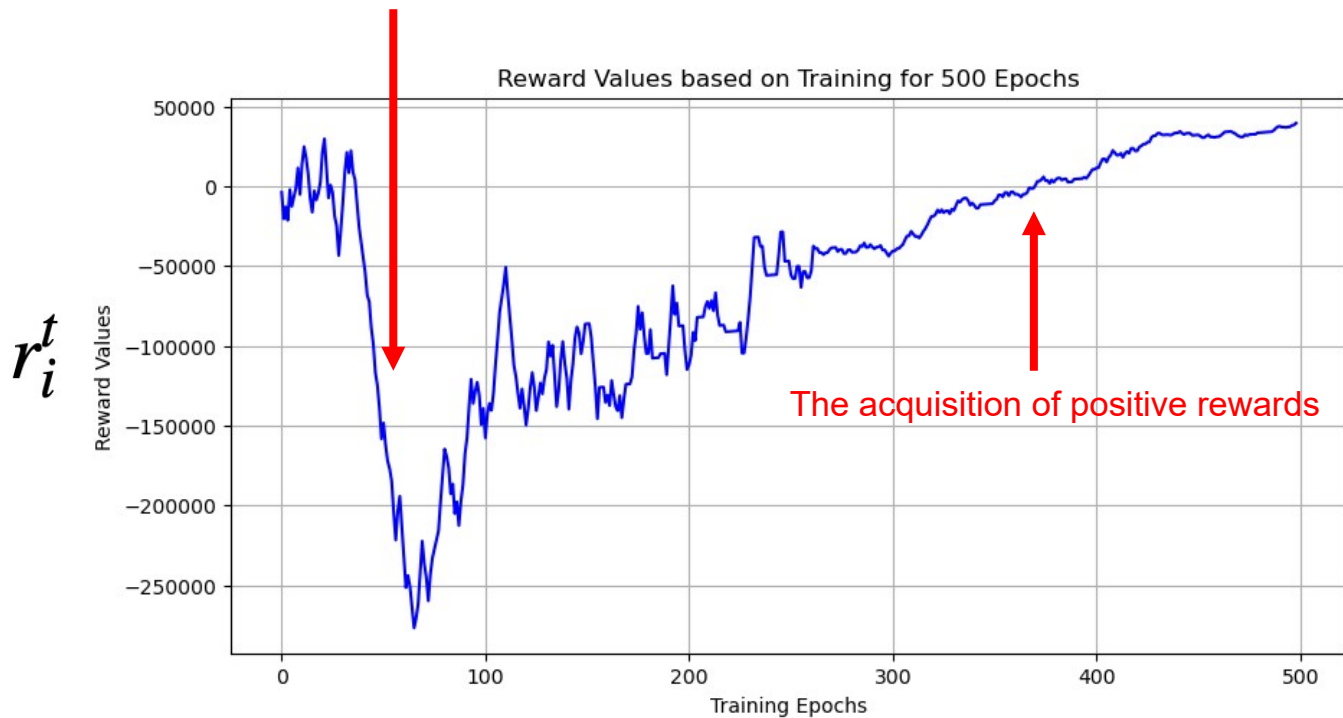
Deployment progress rate: $sd_i^t = \sum_{q \in Q} \frac{n_{i,q}^t}{N_{i,q}^t} \quad t \in T$

Average occupancy rate of chargers: $so_i^t = \mathbb{E}_{h \in H^t} \left(\frac{nop_{i,q}^h}{n_{i,q}^t} \right)$

Average waiting time ratio: $sw_i^t = \mathbb{E}_{v \in V} \left(\frac{tim'_{i,v} - tim_{i,v}}{|H^t|} \right)$

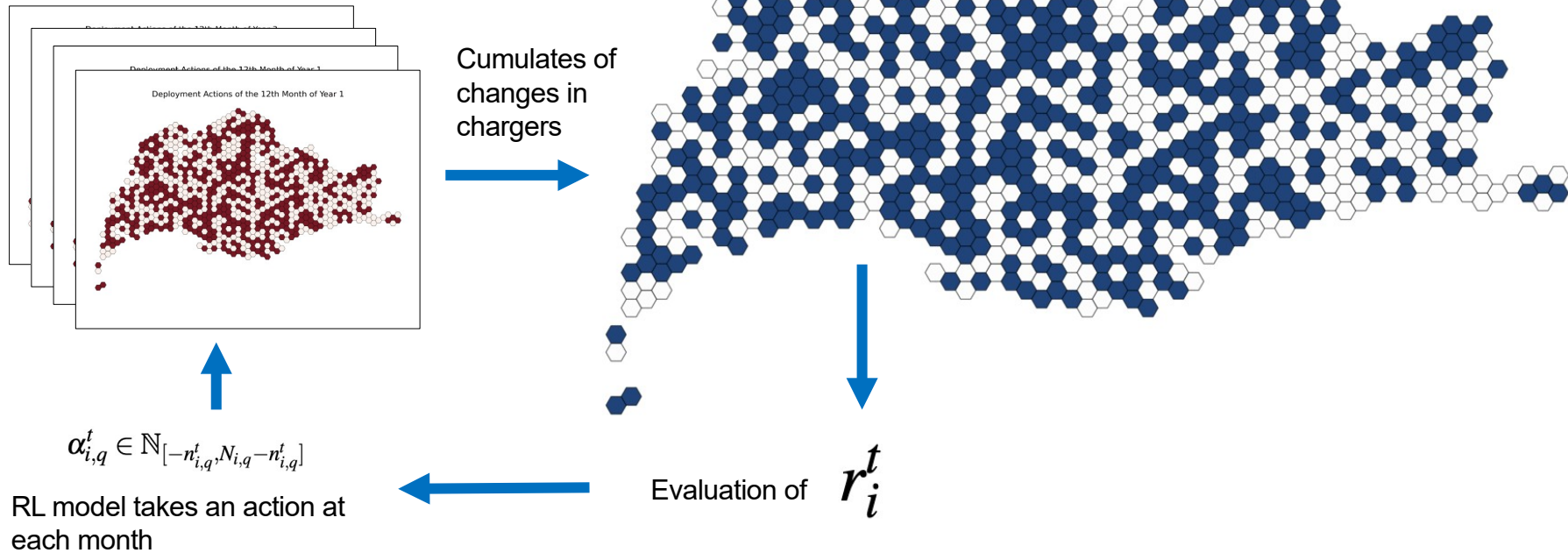
Results

Exploration phase for all possible layout
(with large noise in action values)



Results

Accumulative Chargers of the 12th Month of Year 1





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