

Playing with *Agent_SimpleSoccer*

1. Start the server
2. Start the agent(s) in NetBeans
3. Start the game: press "k" and "b" in the monitor window

(see below for details)

1. Start SimSpark Soccer Server (the simulation of the environment):

goto

 rcssserver3d-0.6.7-win32-release3

start the Server

 rcssmonitor3d.rb

 rcssnet3D.dll

 rcssserver3d.exe

 rcssserver3d.rb



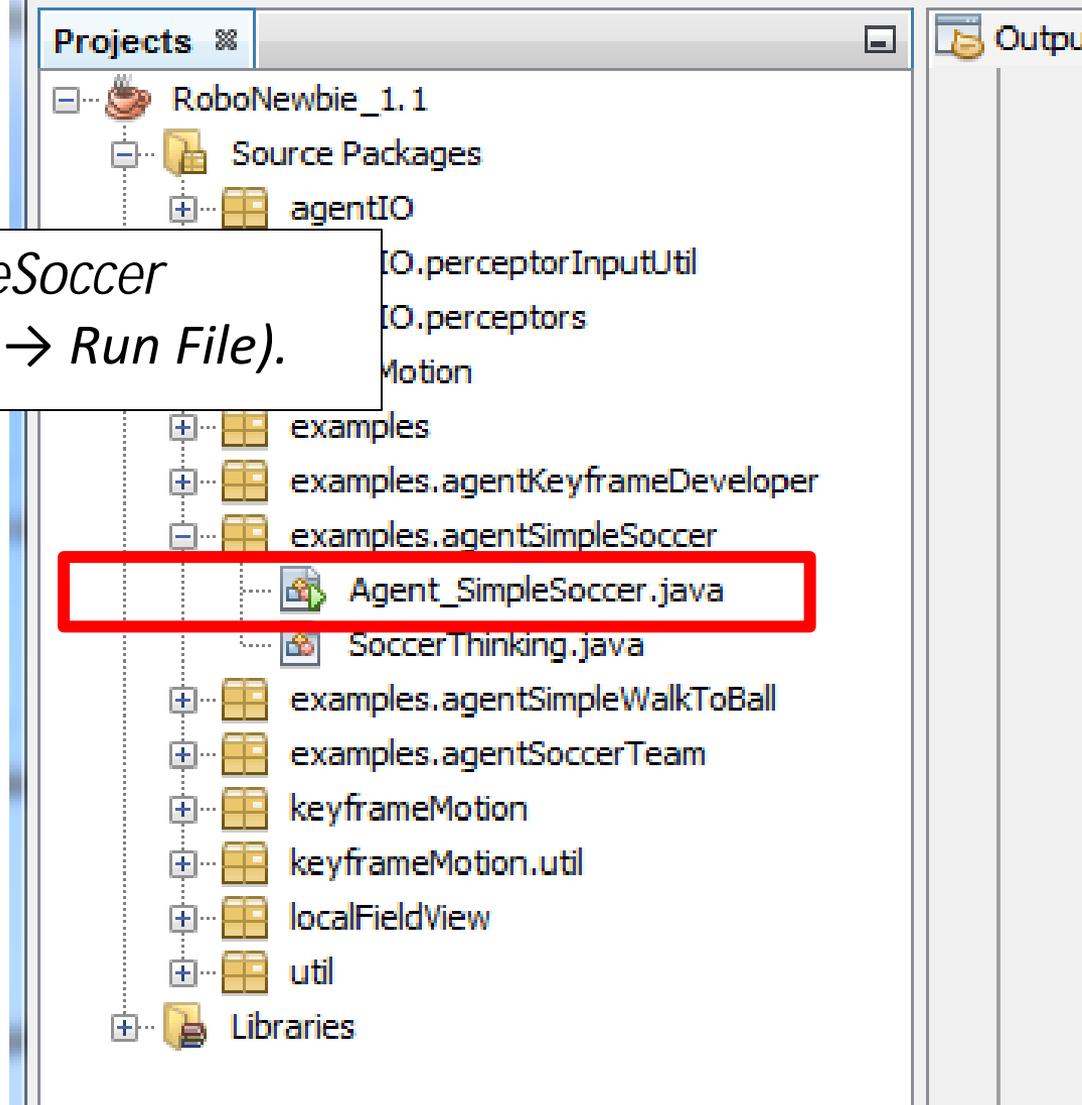
The monitor window with the Soccer field appears.



You can navigate at the monitor window with left mouse button, arrow keys, keys a,s,d,w, page up, page down.

2. *Start a Player:*
Open the RoboNewbie-Project in NetBeans.

*Run the class Agent_SimpleSoccer
(right click on the filename → Run File).*



A player appears on the field. Its team name is seen at the top. It starts moving. But it is not allowed to cross the middle line by the soccer rules before kick off (it leads to a crash of the server).

*Hence, you
(as the human referee)
have to start the game:*

**Press "k" and "b"
in the monitor window**

*Then the game state at
the top of the monitor
changes to "Play On"
and time starts running.*



The identity of a player is defined by player number and team name.

```
70     the robots on the field have either red  
71     robot has grey parts. */  
72     final String id = "1";  
73     final String team = "simpleSoccer";  
74     /** The "beam" coordinates specify the
```

*Its initial pose is defined
by the beam coordinates.*

Position: (beamX, beamY)
Orientation: beamRot

```
78     half. The robot can be placed  
79     variable beamRot, in degrees,  
80     final double beamX = -0.5;  
81     final double beamY = 0.4;  
82     final double beamRot = -40;  
83
```

beamX < 0 is required (since players start in their own half)

You can change all these values to make further programs for further players and teams.

Whenever you start the server, the first started team becomes the left team with color blue. The second team must have a different name. It becomes the right team and gets color red.

The implementation of *Agent_SimpleSoccer*

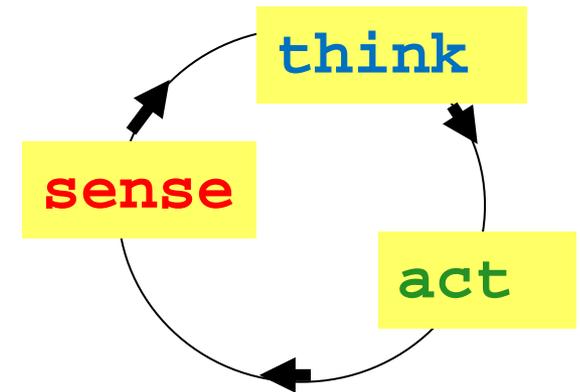
- Player identity (as described above)
- Method init: Initialization: Connect to the server
- Method run: Sense-think-act loop
- Method sense: Get perceptor data via IO-packages
Synchronize with the 20msec server cycle
- Method think: Decide for next motions
Implemented in class SoccerThinking
- Method act: Continue with active motion
Send effector message via IO-packages

```
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();  
}
```



The implementation of *SoccerThinking*

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?

```

public void decide() {
    if (motion.ready()) // decide for new motion only if last motion completed
    if (perIn.getAcc().getZ() < 2) { ... stand up ... } // robot has fallen down
    else if ((serverTime - ball.getTimeStamp()) < lookTime) // robot has ball coordinates
        if (Math.abs(ballCoords.getAlpha()) > TOLLERATED_DEVIATION)
            { .... turn towards the ball ....} // ball not in front of robot
        else if (ballCoords.getNorm() > TOLLERATED_DISTANCE)
            { ... walk towards the ball ... } // robot far away from ball
        else if ((serverTime - oppGoalPost.getTimeStamp() < lookTime) && ....)
            // robot has goal coordinates
            if ((oppGoalPost.getCoords().getAlpha() <= ballCoords.getAlpha()) || ....)
                { ... sidestep for better position .... } // ball not between robot and goal
            else { ... walk forward ... } // robot in good dribbling position

        else { ... turn to see goal ...} // robot does not have goal coordinates
    else { ... turn to see ball ...} // robot does not have ball coordinates
}

```

Playing with *Agent_SoccerTeam*

`Agent_SoccerTeam` allows you to have only one program for players with different roles and different initial positions.

If the player id is set to "0" in `Agent_SoccerTeam`, each call of the program instantiates a new player. The player numbers are then assigned by the server in the order of starting the programs.

```
80     identity.  
81     */  
82     final String id = "0";  
83     final String team = "SoccerTeam";  
84  
85
```

For a second team you can use the same code if you specify another *final String team = "<name of second team>";*

The different initial poses for players with player id = "0" are defined in the class util.BeamPoses.

```
public class BeamPoses {  
  
    private static final double [][] Poses =  
    {  
        {-5, 0.0, 0.0}, //player 1, take (-5.0, 0, 0) for goalkeeper  
        {-0.5, 0.0, 0.0}, //player 2  
        {-1.0, 2.0, 0.0}, //player 3  
        {-1.0, -2.0, 0.0}, //player 4  
        {-3.0, 0.0, 0.0}, //player 5  
        {-3.0, -1.5, 0.0}, //player 6  
    }  
}
```

-4.5 might be better

Depending on their numbers, the players can have different roles. The different roles are specified in separate classes. They are assigned to players according to the player id (see class *SoccerTeamThinking*):

```
115      * be changed accordingly.
116      */
117      switch (playerNumber) {
118          case "1":
119              role1 = new SimpleGoalie(motion, percIn, log);
120              break;
121          case "2":
122              role2 = new SimpleSoccer_Plovdiv2014(motion, percIn, log);
123              break;
124          case "3":
125              role3 = new SimpleSoccer(motion, percIn, log);
126              break;
127          case "4":
128              role4 = new SimpleSoccer_withKick(motion, percIn, log);
129              break;
```

Implementation of a player with a specific role is done in 3 steps:

1. Implement a class for the intended role
with a related *decide* method.

Examples are found in the package *examples.agentSoccerTeam*

2. Integrate the role in class *SoccerTeamThinking*
(see next slide)

3. Define the start position in class *util.BeamPoses*

2. Integrate the role in class *SoccerTeamThinking* at three places (using the intended player number):

- Declaration

```
SimpleGoalie role1;
```

```
...
```

- Instantiation

```
switch (playerNumber) {  
    case "1":  
        role1 = new SimpleGoalie(motion, percln, log);  
        break;  
    ...  
}
```

- Call of decide method

```
public void decide() {  
    switch (playerNumber) {  
        case "1":  
            role1.decide();  
            break;  
        ...  
    }
```

```
...
```

Game states (play modes):

The actual state of a game is shown in the monitor window.

Possible states are listed in `util.GameStateConsts`:

```
public static enum PlayMode {
    BeforeKickOff,
    KickOff_Left,
    KickOff_Right,
    PlayOn,
    KickIn_Left,
    KickIn_Right,
    CORNER_KICK_LEFT,
    CORNER_KICK_RIGHT,
    GOAL_KICK_LEFT,
    GOAL_KICK_RIGHT,
    OFFSIDE_LEFT,
    OFFSIDE_RIGHT,
    GameOver,
    Goal_Left,
    Goal_Right,
    FREE_KICK_LEFT,
    FREE_KICK_RIGHT,
    NONE }
}
```



- Game states are set by the built-in referee according to the situation (e.g. corner kick). Then players can act according to soccer rules (as far as related behavior is implemented).
- Human referee can set some game states by clicking in the monitor window:
 - k: kick-off
 - b: drop-ball (for play-on in our distribution)
 - l/r: free-kick left/right

For more information see: [SimSpark-long.pdf](#) .

- You can implement related behaviors for different situations (e.g. for corner-kick).
- They must be called in `Agent_SoccerTeam` (cf. method `think` and method `act`) .