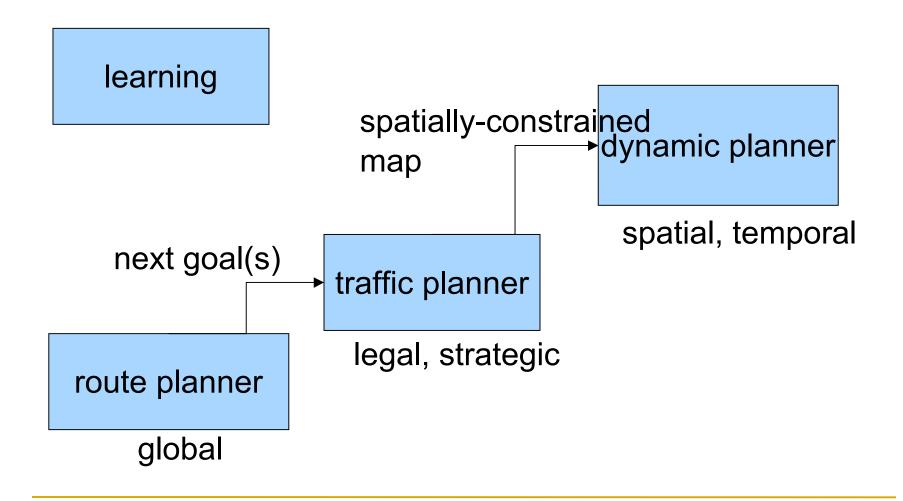
Scope/Mission

- Using input from sensing and mission modules, generate spatial/temporal path through environment.
 - Must avoid collisions
 - Obey traffic rules
 - Complete local missions as quickly as safely possible

- Two concurrent efforts: SURF projects and system architecture evaluation
- Summer team:
 - Joel Burdick, Mark Milam (NGC), Rich Petras (JPL), Ziad Fares, Melvin Flores, Noel duToit
 - SURFs: Jessica Gonzalez, Martin Larson, Dave Knowles, Morlan Liu, Jose Torres
 - Aaron Abugaber (high schooler)



SURF projects

- Route planner and RNDF parser: Morlan Liu
 - Module that converts RNDF file into useable structure
 - A basic route planner based on Dijkstra's Algorithm
 - Now in mission team domain
- Traffic planner: Jessica Gonzalez
 - Account for traffic rules & strategy by spatially constraining map
 - Can handle basic traffic and some advanced
- dplanner: Dave Knowles and Martin Larson
 - Attempted the extension of the previous trajectory planner (for desert challenge) to dynamic environments.
 - Evaluated suitability of stage 1 and 2 planners for urban challenge. (spatial and temporal)

- SURF projects (cont'd)
 - Learning: Jose Tores
 - Investigated what info would be useful to store (such as traversed road geometry) for mission planning.
 - Now in the Sensing/mission domain (global static map)
- Navigation module architecture development
 - Develop and evaluate different module architectures through analysis of scenarios
 - Develop set of unit tests and primitives for urban driving
 - The resulting architecture is what we are starting with now.

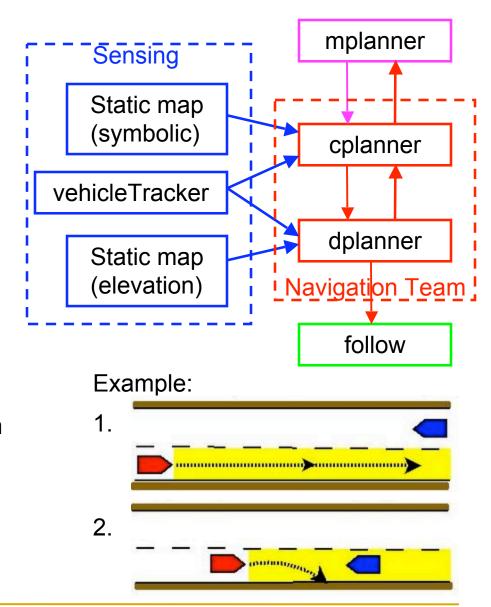
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cplanner

- Receives: plan (mplanner), static map (symbolic); vehicle tracking data
- Function: mask off regions illegal regions, intersection navigation
- Outputs: allowable corridor to dplanner, error signal to mplanner

dplanner

- Receives: corridor (cplanner), vehicle tracking data, elevation map
- Function: plan the "optimal" trajectory through corridor
- Outputs: trajectory to follow, error signal to cplanner



Activities/List of Projects CHECK PROJECTS PAGE

- Linked course projects
 - CDS 110 (controls and trajectory generation)
 - ME/CS 131/132 (planning second/third terms)
- Small projects (building something)
 - RNDF generator utility
 - Transfer current simulator (JPL) to gc computers
- Design studies
 - Literature survey/background info for trade study
 - e.g., is optimization based planning the way to go?
- Other ideas? Let me know...