# Interactive response system for crisis management

Project proposal DOAS 2005

Marinus Maris

## Crisis Management. It may be needed any moment



## Gas leaks from a tank, resulting in fire and panic





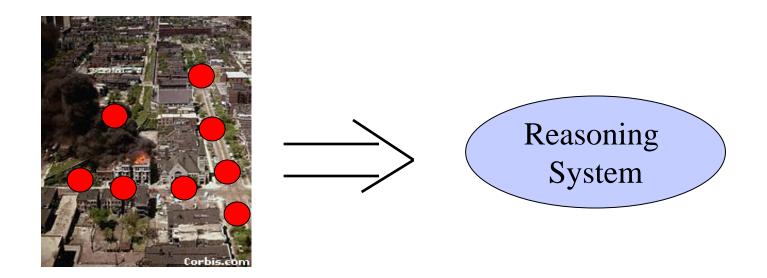


#### Countermeasures



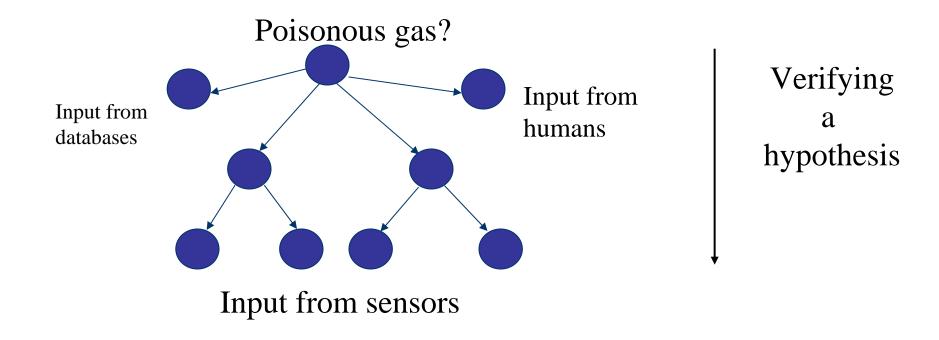
**AND** ......

# Sensors! Measure the gas and report to a reasoning system



The reasoning system must determine which gas is escaping and whether it is dangerous

## An advanced Reasoning System



Distributed Perception System (DPN)

#### What if?

What if the results of the measurements are ambiguous, the **DPN cannot clearly calculate a result**.

In that case, the DPN network needs more information.

It gets that by asking people nearby the area

## Asking help from people



By asking educated questions using a fixed set of possible answers, the DPN can improve its certainty about the hypotheses.

#### Example call by the DPN



*John*: (picks up the phone) Hello, with John.

**DPN**: This is the emergency response system.

*John*: Oh, OK, what can I do for you?

**DPN**: We need your help. Could you please tell

us whether you see people around with a

bleeding nose? Please press "1" if yes or "2" if not.

*John*: In fact I do (he presses "1").

**DPN**: Thanks for your help, please leave the area

as soon as you can!

#### Project Assignments

- 1. Make such a phone-interface (for example by exchanging SMS-messages). It should be a bi-directional link, the user should respond by pressing buttons on the phone.
- 2. Create an example scenario and show the principle functionality of your system based on improving the evidence for a certain hypothesis.
  - 3. Write a report

## Reading more....

#### Backgroundd on DPN:

Pavlin, G., Maris, M., and Nunnink, J. An Agent-Based Approach to Distributed Data and Information Fusion. In Proceedings of Intelligent Agent Technology. Peking, China, 2004.

#### SMS library:

http://javasmslib.sourceforge.net/overview/