

From GPT to DeepSeek

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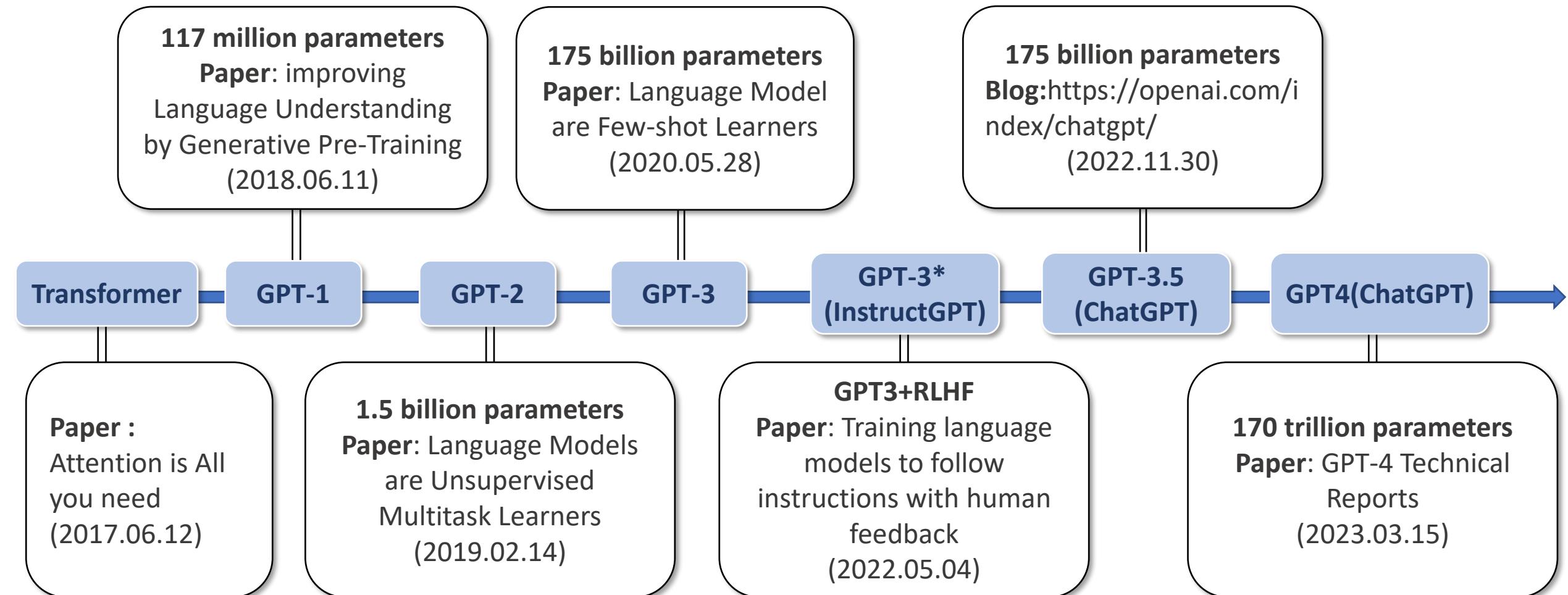
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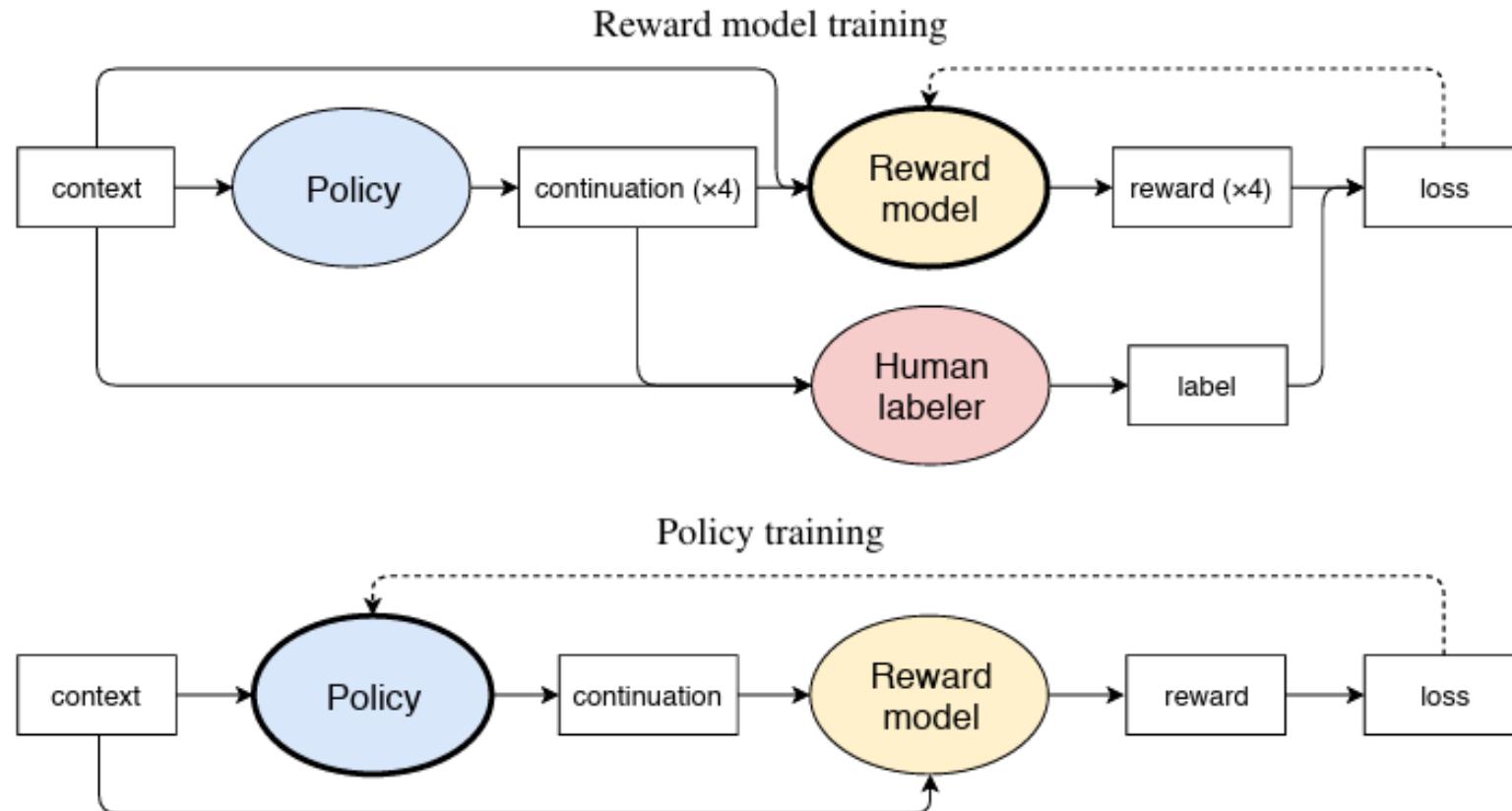
GPT Series



Fine-Tuning Language Models from Human Preferences

(OpenAI, 2019. 09. 18)

- Apply RL to tasks where reward is defined by human judgment





Training language models to follow instructions with human feedback

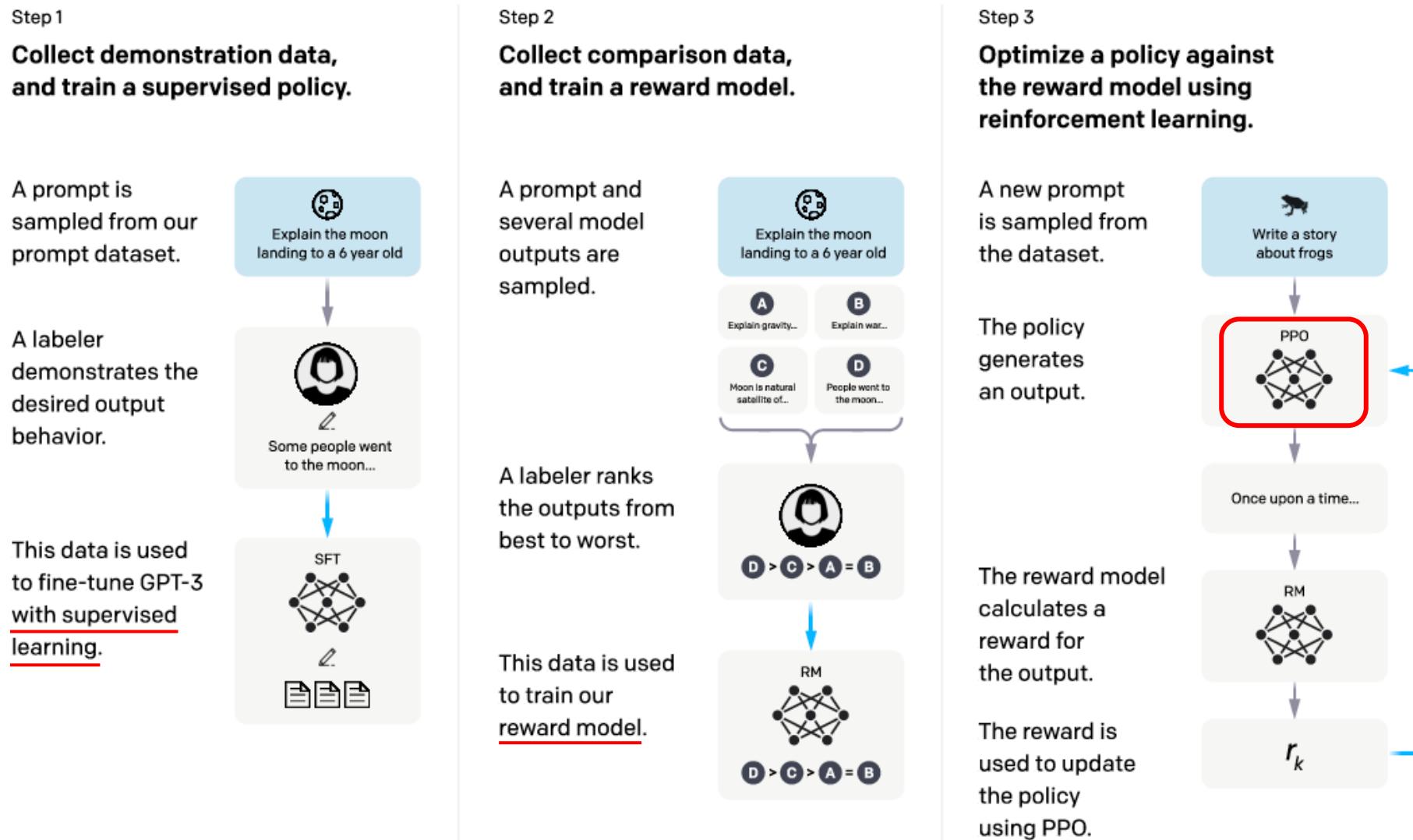
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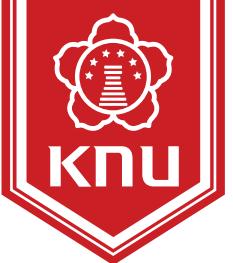
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InstructGPT: Training language models to follow instructions with human feedback

(2022.05.04, OpenAI)





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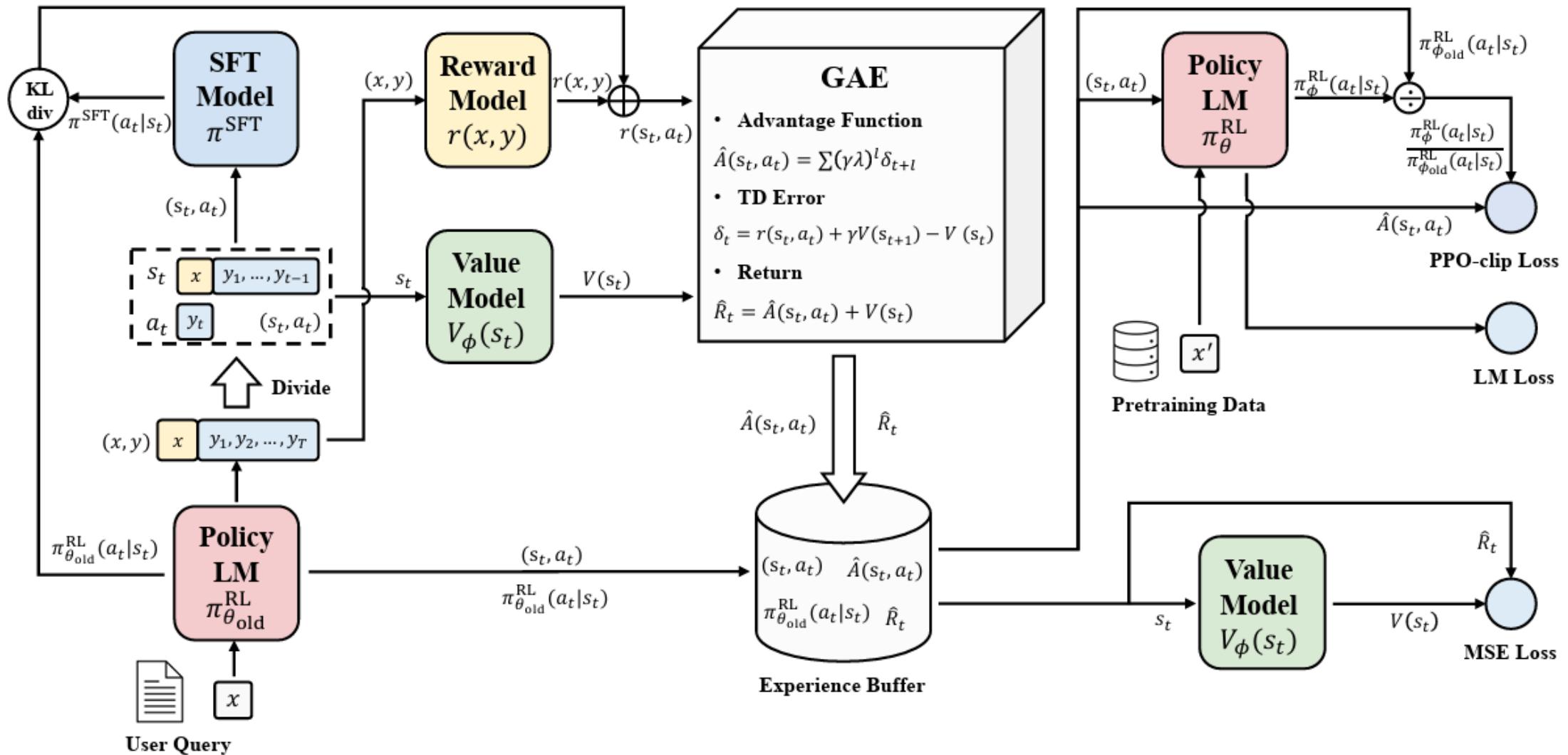
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- **Policy ?**

- Value based learning, policy based learning

- **Advantage ?**

- GAE, TD Error

- **Important sampling ?**

Reinforcement Learning

s_0	s_1	<i>Fail</i>
s_2	s_3	s_4
s_4	s_5	<i>success</i>

- **상태(State, s)**

- $s = \{s_0, s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4, s_5, s_6, s_7, s_8, success, fail\}$

- **행동(Action, a)**

- $a = \{up, down, left, right\}$

- **Reward**

- *success*: +10
- *fail*: -10
- 이동 : -1

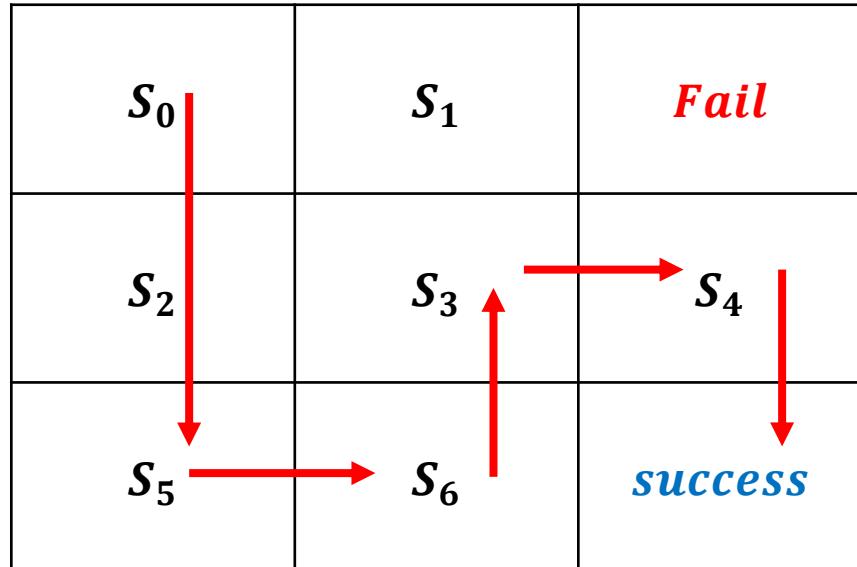
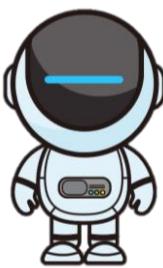
- **Episode**

- $s_0, a_D \rightarrow s_2, a_D \rightarrow s_4, a_R \rightarrow s_5, a_R \rightarrow Success$

Reinforcement Learning

(Q-Value function)

Agent



- Q-value function(state-action value function)

$$Q_{\theta}(s, a) = \mathbb{E}[G_t | s_t = s, a_t = a]$$

G_t : t에서의 Return

$$G_t = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \gamma^k R_{t+k} = r_t + \underbrace{\gamma r_{t+1} + \gamma^2 r_{t+2} + \dots}_{\text{discount factor}}$$

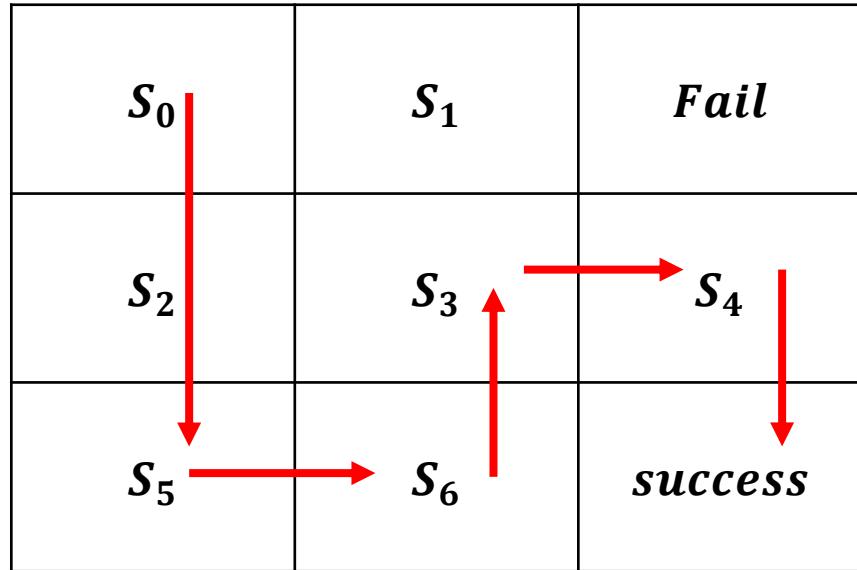
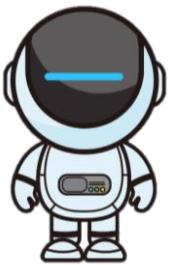
- r_t
 - success: +10
 - fail: -10
 - 이동 : -1

- Policy : $\pi(s) = \arg \max_a Q_{\theta}(s, a)$
- Ex) 초기 Policy 상태

Q-value	s_0	s_1	s_2	s_3	s_4	s_5	s_6
Up	-	-	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.5
Down	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.4	-	-
Right	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.5	-	0.8	0.4
left	-	0.3	-	0.1	0.3	-	0.4

Reinforcement Learning

Agent



$$G_t = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \gamma^k R_{t+k}$$

$$= r_t + \gamma r_{t+1} + \gamma^2 r_{t+2} + \dots$$

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- TD Error: 현재 상태에서 예측된 보상과 미래의 실제 경험한 보상의 차이

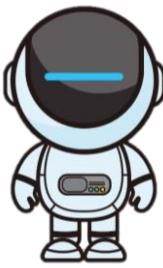
- Ex) $Q(s_6, up)$ 의 TD Error
- $-1(r_t) + 0.9(\gamma) \times 0.5 - 0.5 = -1.05$
- $Q(s_6, up) = 0.5 - \alpha \times 1.05 = -0.55 (\alpha = 1)$

$$\delta_t = r_t + \gamma \max_a Q(s_{t+1}, a) - Q(s_t, a_t)$$

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s_5		s_6	<i>success</i>

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Down	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	-	-
Right	0.2	0.5	0.1	0.5	-	0.8	10
left	-	0.3	-	0.1	0.3	-	0.2

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- $-1(r_t) + 0.9(\gamma) \times 0.5 - 0.5 = -1.05$
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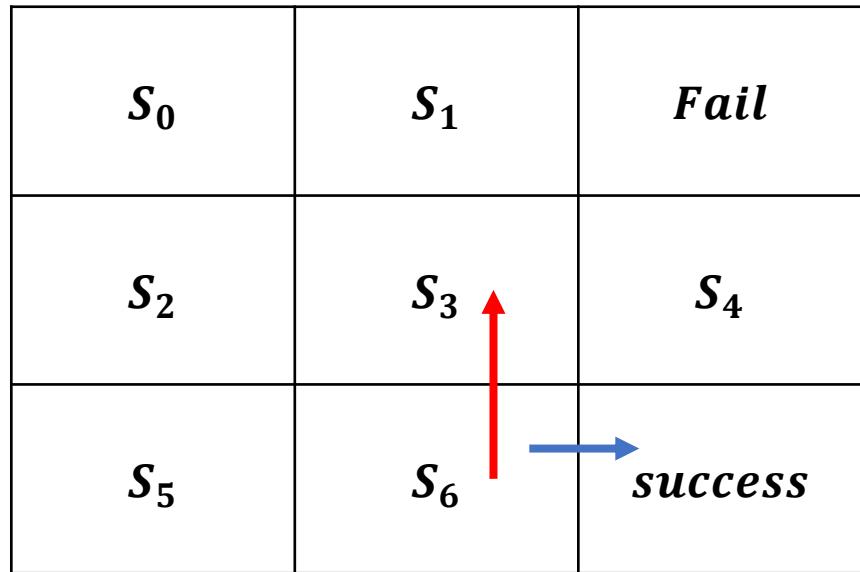
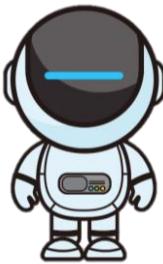
- TD Error:

- Ex) $Q(s_6, right)$ 의 TD Error
- $10(r_t) + 0.9(\gamma) \times 0 - 0.5 = 9.5$
- $Q(s_6, right) = 0.5 + \alpha \times 9.5 = 10$ ($\alpha = 1$)

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- **TD Error:**

- Ex) $V(s_{t=6}) \text{ 외 } V(s_{t+1=3})$ 의 TD Error
- $-1 + 0.9 \times 0.25 - 0.4 = 0.275$
- $0.4 + 0.275 = 0.675$

- Value function(state-action value function)

$$V_\theta(s) = \mathbb{E}[G_t \mid s_t = s]$$

$$\pi(s) = \operatorname{argmax}_a [r(s, a) + \gamma V(s')]$$

Value	s_0	s_1	s_2	s_3	s_4	s_5	s_6
Up	-	-	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.6
Down	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	-	-
Right	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.5	-	0.8	0.4
left	-	0.3	-	0.1	0.3	-	0.2
AVG	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.25	0.3	0.6	0.4

- **TD Error:** $\delta_t = r_t + \gamma V(s_{t+1}) - V(s_t)$

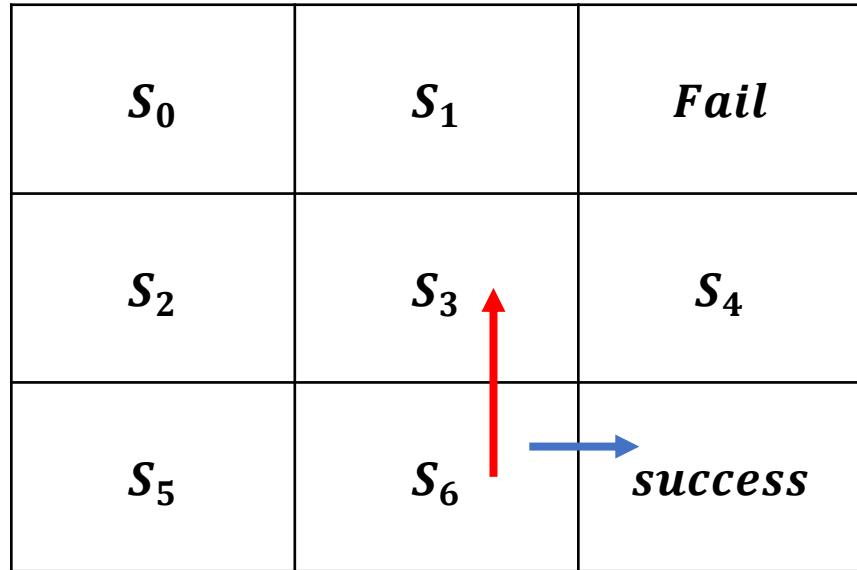
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- $0.4 + 7.6 = 8$

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Right	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.5	-	0.8	10
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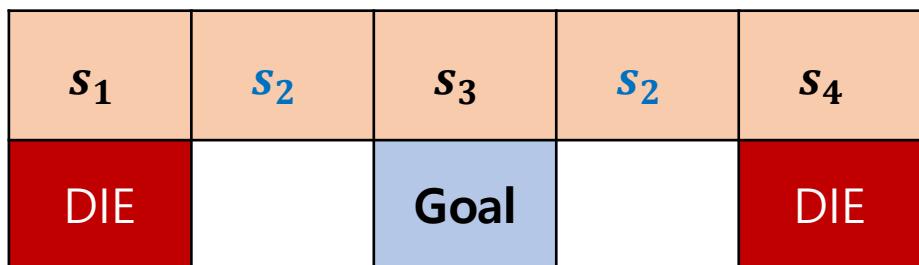
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Reinforcement Learning

But!

- Value-based 학습처럼 특정 상태에서 즉각적인 보상을 학습하면 연속적인 행동 공간(Continuous action)이나 확률적 정책(Stochastic policy)을 다루기 어려움

EX) 조금 극단적인 상황을 가정 (왼쪽 s_2 와 오른쪽 s_2 같음):



$$\begin{aligned}s_t &= \{L, R, U, D\} \\s_1 &= \{0, 1, 0, 1\} \\s_2 &= \{1, 1, 0, 0\} \\s_3 &= \{1, 1, 0, 1\} \\s_4 &= \{1, 0, 0, 1\}\end{aligned}$$

Value	s_1	s_2	s_3	s_4
Down	0.0	-	1.0	0.0
Right	1.0	1.0	0.0	-
left	-	0.0	0.0	1.0

문제점 :
 s_2 일 때,
 $Q(s_2, R) > Q(s_2, L)$ 이면, 반복이 발생.
다시 학습하면
 $Q(s_2, R) < Q(s_2, L)$, 또 반복...

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- **Policy-based Learning**
 - **목표**: 장기적인 보상(Expected Return) 최적화
 - 강화학습의 궁극적인 목표는 단기 보상이 아니라 **장기적인 성과를 높이는 것입니다.**
 - 즉, 단순히 **현재 상태에서 가장 높은 보상을 받는 행동을 선택하는 것이 아니라, 미래까지 고려한 최적의 행동을 학습해야 합니다.**

Reinforcement Learning

(Policy-based Learning)



s_0	s_1	<i>Fail</i>
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- **에피소드 예제** ($\gamma = 1, \hat{A}_t \approx G_t$):

$(s_0, a_R \rightarrow s_1, a_D \rightarrow s_3, a_D \rightarrow s_6, a_R \rightarrow s_S), G_t = (-1)^4 + 10$

$(s_0, a_R \rightarrow s_1, a_R \rightarrow s_F), G_t = (-1)^2 - 10$

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...

- **Policy based learning**

- $\pi_\theta(a|s)$ 를 직접 학습, 즉 확률적 선택 (sampling)이 가능.

- **Policy Gradient Objective :**

- 정책이 이득이 큰 행동에는 더 높은 확률을 부여하도록 학습

$$L^{PG}(\theta) = \mathbb{E}_t [\log \pi_\theta(a_t | s_t) \hat{A}_t]$$

- \hat{A}_t : Advantage Function

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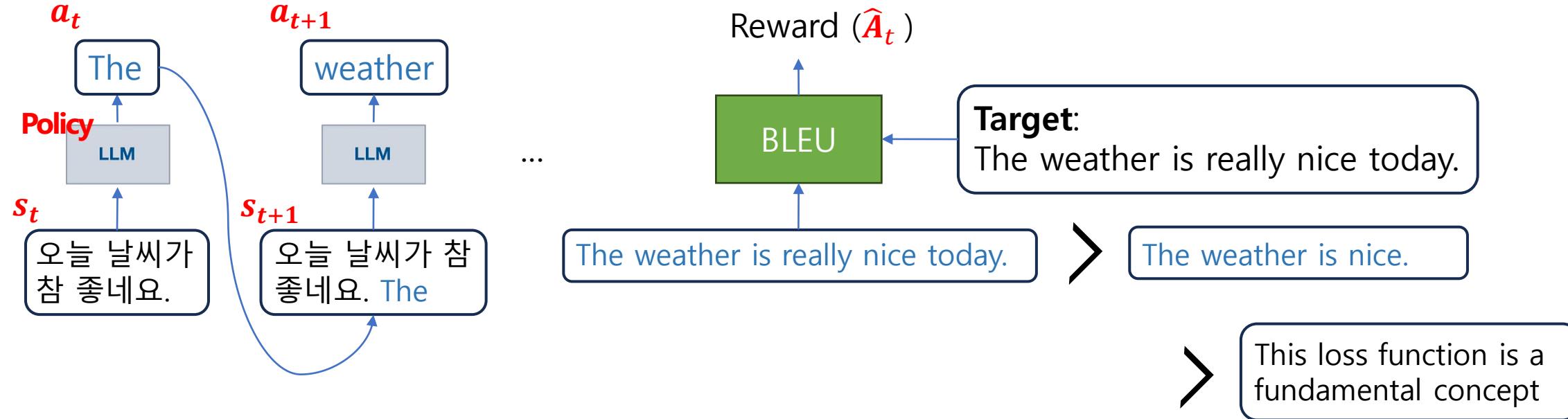
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- **학습의 어려움**

1. 에피소드에 대한 경우의 수가 많아 학습이 어려움.

2. G_t 에 대한 variance가 높음

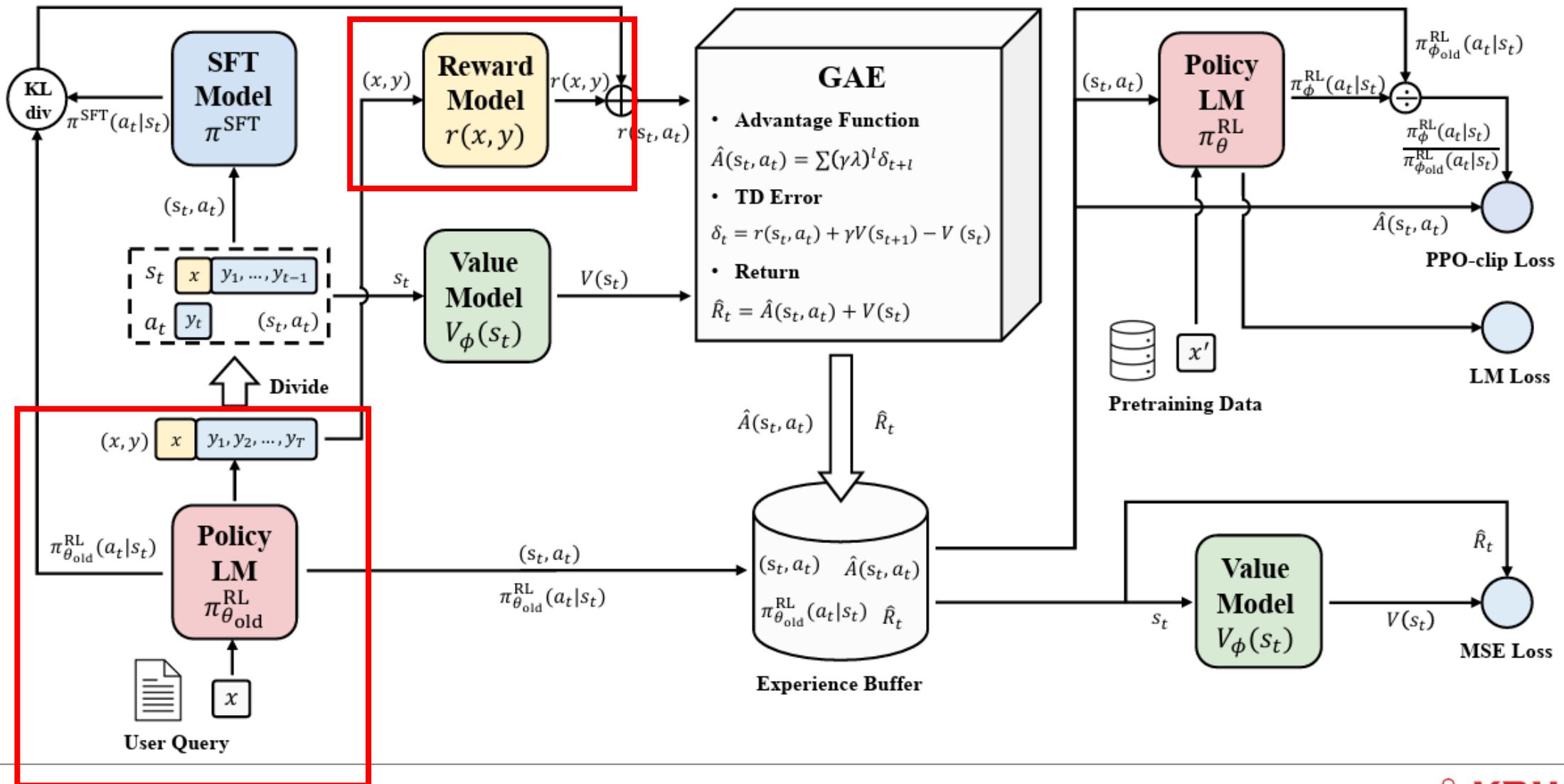
Reinforcement Learning (Policy based text generation)



Policy based RL

- *state* : 토큰 시퀀스(Token Sequence) 또는 이전 문장이 상태
- *action* : 다음 단어(Token)
- BLEU : BLEU 점수

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Reinforcement Learning (Policy-based Learning)

- **GAE**(Generalized Advantage Estimation)

- 강화학습에서 **Advantage Function**(\hat{A}_t)의 Variance를 줄이기 위해 사용됩니다.

기존의 Advantage Function(Ex: G_t)은 Variance가 높아서 학습이 불안정할 수 있는데, GAE는 **TD Error**를 시간에 따라 감소시켜 더 안정적이고 효율적으로 학습합니다.

- **TD Error** : 현재 상태에서 예측된 보상과 미래의 실제 경험한 보상의 차이

$$\bullet \delta_t = r(s_t, a_t) + \gamma V(s_{t+1}) - V(s_t)$$

$$\bullet \hat{A}_t(s_t, a_t) = \sum (\gamma \lambda)^l \delta_{t+l} \text{ 미래의 보상} \quad \text{현재 상태}$$

- γ : 미래의 보상에 대한 가치를 얼마나 중요하게 생각할지를 결정($0 \leq \gamma \leq 1$)

- λ : TD Error의 누적을 제어 ($0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$)

$$\bullet \widehat{A}_t(s_t, a_t) = \delta_t + (\gamma\lambda)^1 \delta_{t+1} + (\gamma\lambda)^2 \delta_{t+2} + \dots$$

$$= [r(s_t, q_t) + \gamma V(s_{t+1}) - V(s_t)] + [r(s_{t+1}, q_{t+1}) + \gamma V(s_{t+2}) - V(s_{t+1})] + \dots$$

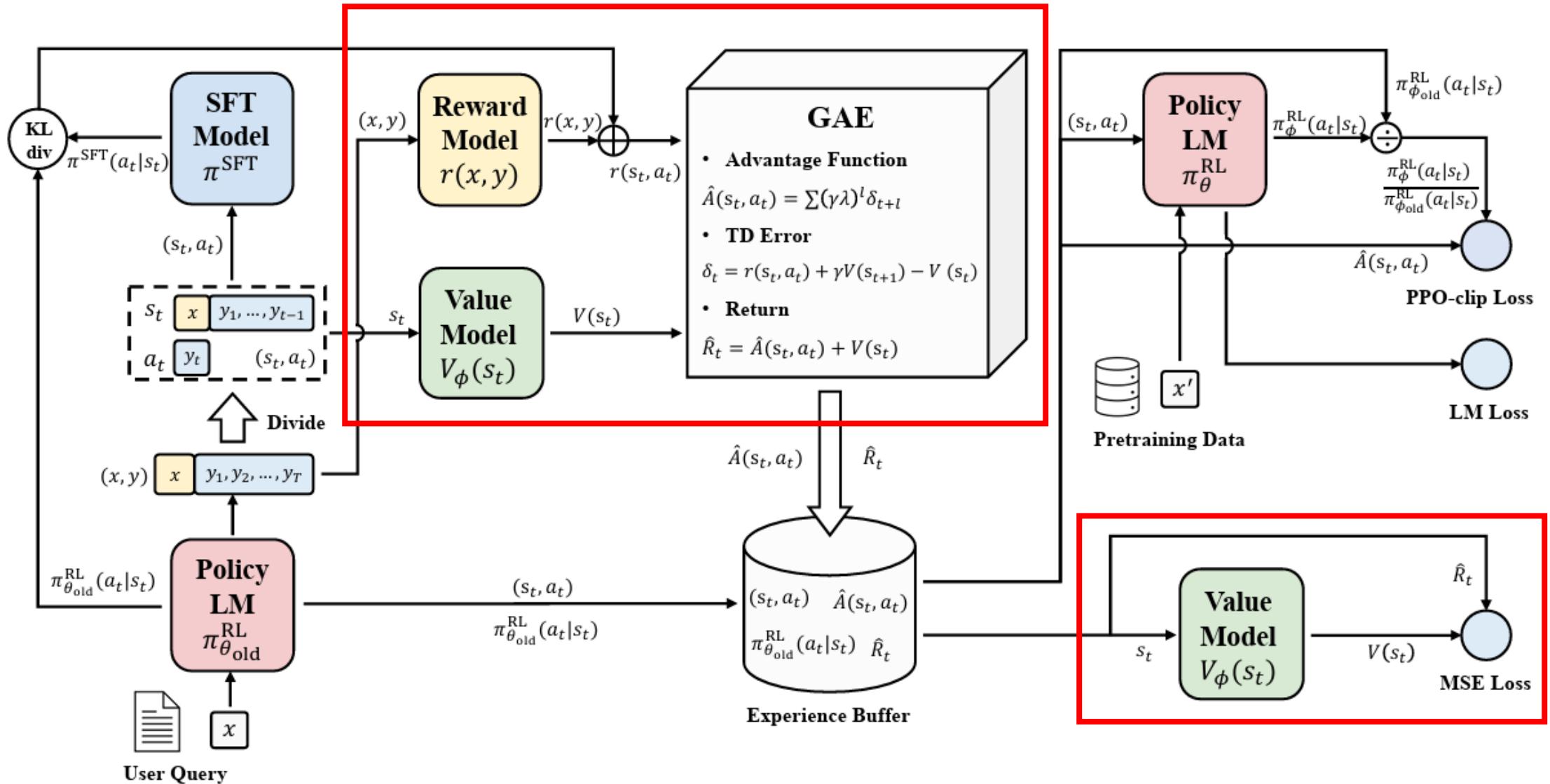
★ 즉... 현재 상태 예측된 보상에서 여러 누적 TD Error를 합쳐서(GAE) Return값을 만든다

GAE

- **Advantage Function**
 $\hat{A}(s_t, a_t) = \sum (\gamma \lambda)^t \delta_{t+l}$
 - **TD Error**
 $\delta_t = r(s_t, a_t) + \gamma V(s_{t+1}) - V(s_t)$
 - **Return**
 $\hat{R}_t = \hat{A}(s_t, a_t) + V(s_t)$

- $R(s_t, a_t) = -1, V(s_{t+1}) = 6, V(s_t) = 5$
 - $\delta_t = 0$ 예측이 정확함.
 - $R(s_t, a_t) = -1, V(s_{t+1}) = 8, V(s_t) = 5$
 - $\delta_t > 0$: 예측보다 좋음 \rightarrow Value function 증가
 - $R(s_t, a_t) = -1, V(s_{t+1}) = 4, V(s_t) = 5,$
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Problems in Policy-based RL for Text Learning

- **Sample**
 - 학습을 위해 sampling 해야 할 $\text{Text}(s_t, a_t)$ 가 너무 많음
 - 업데이트 후 새로운 Policy(π_θ)에서 sampling을 해야함
- **Reward(Advantage)**
 - Reward의 입력인 sampling text의 특성으로 인해 variance가 높음

Solving with PPO

- Sample variance → Importance sampling
- Clipping
- Reward variance → GAE

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- **Importance sampling**

- 확률분포 $P(x)$ 에서 sampling하기 어렵지만, 유사한 분포 $Q(x)$ 에서는 샘플링이 쉽고, 이를 통해 $P(x)$ 에 대한 기댓값을 추정할 때 사용됩니다.
- $Q(x)$ 에서 sampling한 후 비율 $\frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$ 를 곱해 보정합니다.

$$\mathbb{E}_P[f(x)] = \sum_x f(x) \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)} Q(x)$$

$$= \int f(x) \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)} Q(x) dx$$

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- **Importance sampling** : 주사위 예제

- 6면 주사위를 던질 때, 나오는 숫자가 4 이상일 확률을 계산한다고 가정합니다.

- 실제 분포 $P(x)$: 각 숫자(1~6)는 $\frac{1}{6}$.
- 중요도 분포 $Q(x)$: 예를 들어, $Q(x)$ 를 다음과 같이 설정:
 - $x = 1, 2, 3$: 각각 $\frac{1}{12}$
 - $x = 4, 5, 6$: 각각 $\frac{1}{4}$
(이렇게 하면 $\frac{1}{12} \times 3 + \frac{1}{4} \times 3 = 1$)

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이제 Importance Sampling을 통해 $\mathbb{E}_P[f(x)]$ 를 구해보겠습니다. 여기서:

- $f(x) = 1$ if $x \geq 4$, otherwise $f(x) = 0$. 목표는 $P(x \geq 4)$ 이므로, $f(x) = 1$ 인 경우만 고려합니다. 따라서:

$$\mathbb{E}_P[f(x)] = \sum_{x=4}^6 \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)} Q(x)$$

각 경우를 계산해보면:

- $x = 4: \frac{1/6}{1/4} = \frac{2}{3}$

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- $x = 6: \frac{1/6}{1/4} = \frac{2}{3}$

$$\mathbb{E}_P[f(x)] = \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} + \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{4}$$

각각의 $Q(x)$ 는 $\frac{1}{4}$ 이므로:

$$= 3 \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$$

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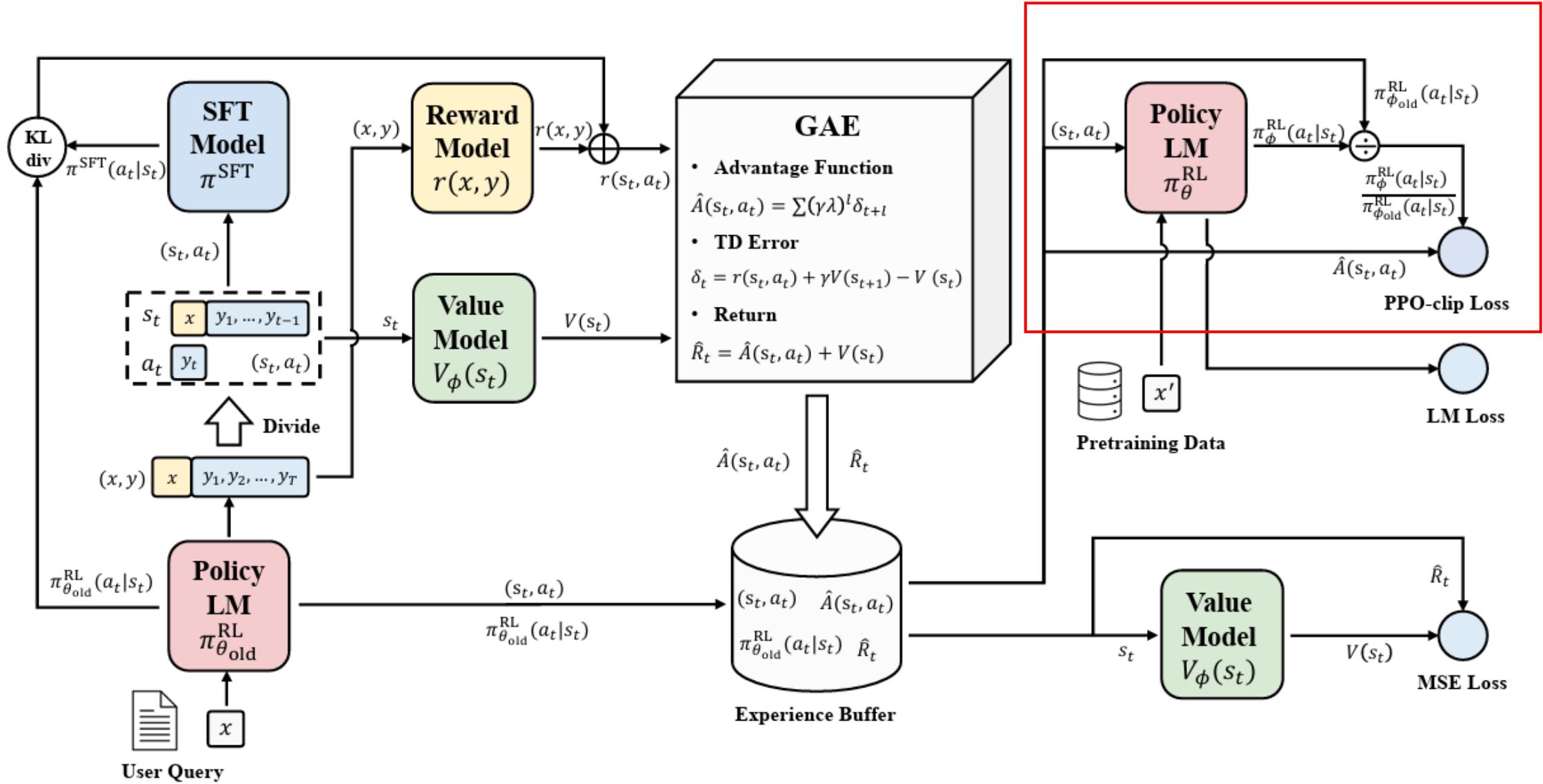
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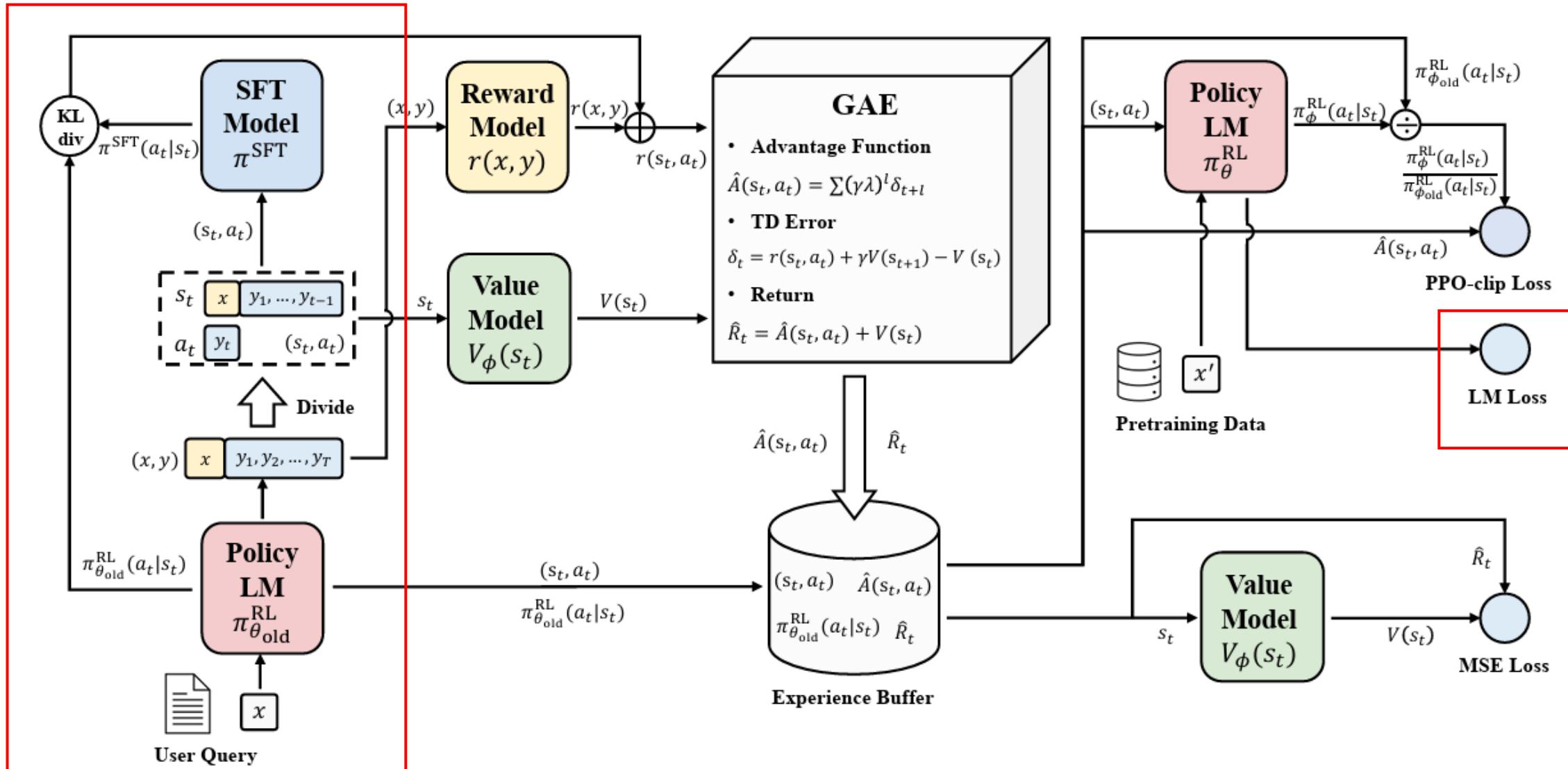
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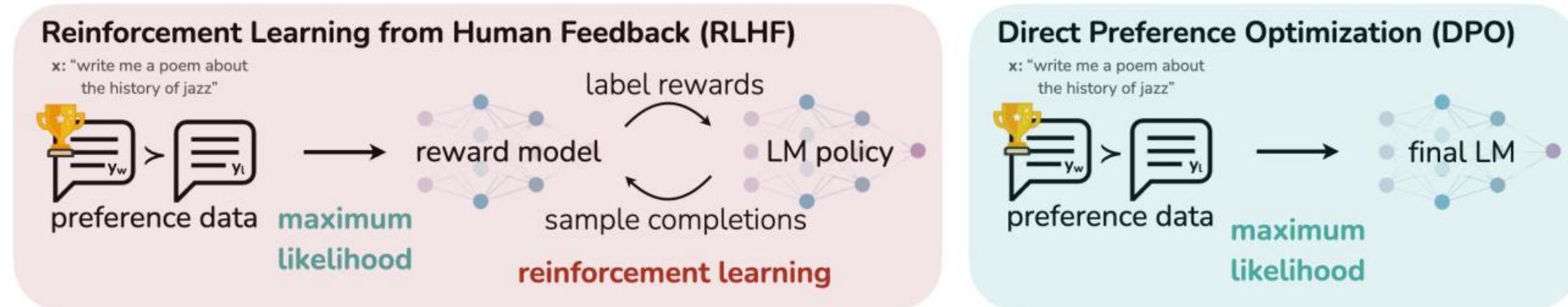


After InstructGPT

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- y_l : "losing" response (the less preferred response)

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$$\mathbb{E}_{y \sim \pi_\theta} \left[\beta [\log \pi^*(y | x) - \log \pi_{\text{ref}}(y | x)] - \beta \log \frac{\pi_\theta(y | x)}{\pi_{\text{ref}}(y | x)} \right]$$



$$\mathbb{E}_{y \sim \pi_\theta} [\beta (\log \pi^*(y | x) - \log \pi_\theta(y | x))]$$

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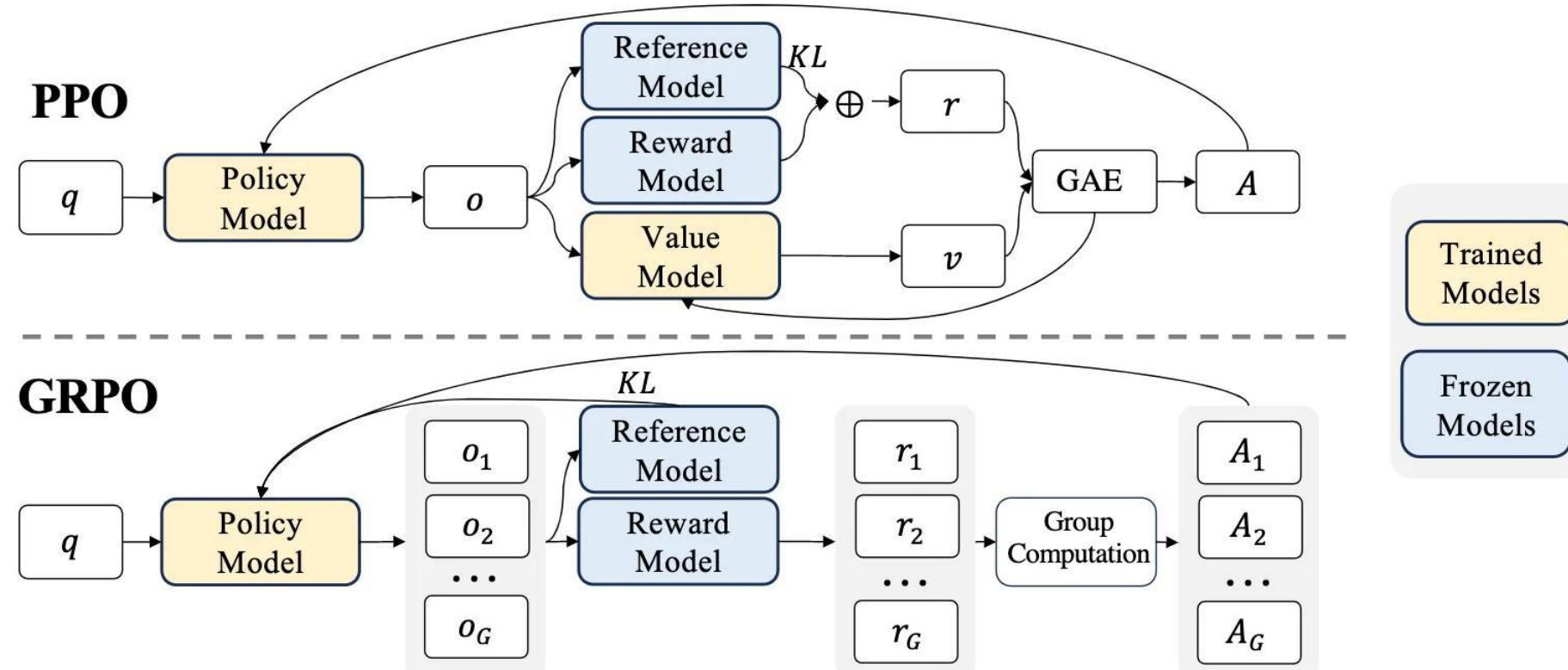


Figure 4 | Demonstration of PPO and our GRPO. GRPO foregoes the value model, instead estimating the baseline from group scores, significantly reducing training resources.

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- **Objective Function:**

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{J}_{GRPO}(\theta) &= \mathbb{E}[q \sim P(Q), \{o_i\}_{i=1}^G \sim \pi_{\theta_{old}}(O|q)] \\ &\quad \frac{1}{G} \sum_{i=1}^G \left(\min \left(\frac{\pi_\theta(o_i|q)}{\pi_{\theta_{old}}(o_i|q)} A_i, \text{clip} \left(\frac{\pi_\theta(o_i|q)}{\pi_{\theta_{old}}(o_i|q)}, 1 - \varepsilon, 1 + \varepsilon \right) A_i \right) - \beta \mathbb{D}_{KL}(\pi_\theta || \pi_{ref}) \right), \\ \mathbb{D}_{KL}(\pi_\theta || \pi_{ref}) &= \frac{\pi_{ref}(o_i|q)}{\pi_\theta(o_i|q)} - \log \frac{\pi_{ref}(o_i|q)}{\pi_\theta(o_i|q)} - 1,\end{aligned}$$

- **Advantage :**

$$A_i = \frac{r_i - \text{mean}(\{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_G\})}{\text{std}(\{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_G\})}.$$