

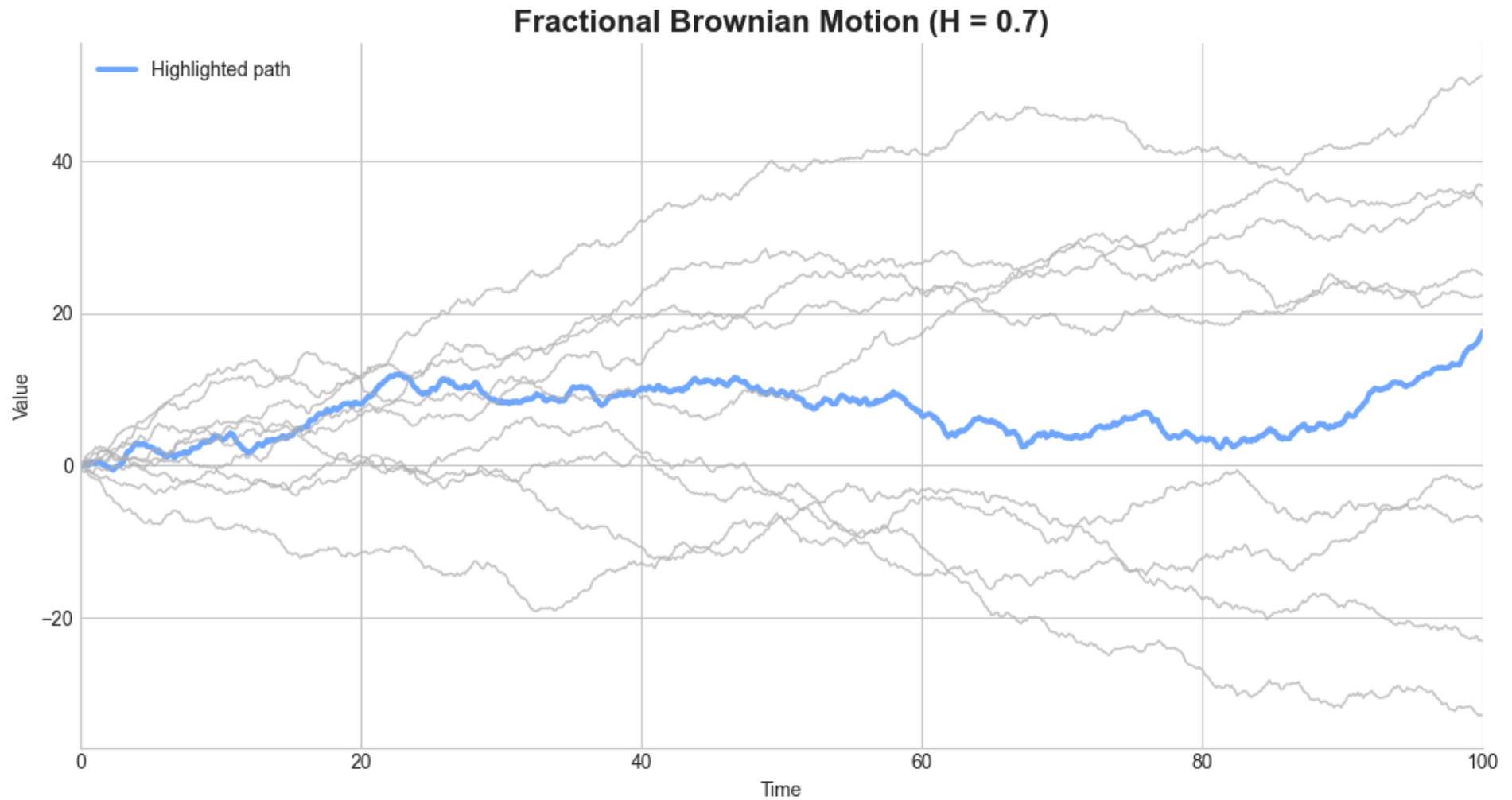
# Algorithmic Trading with Reinforcement Learning

First semester report

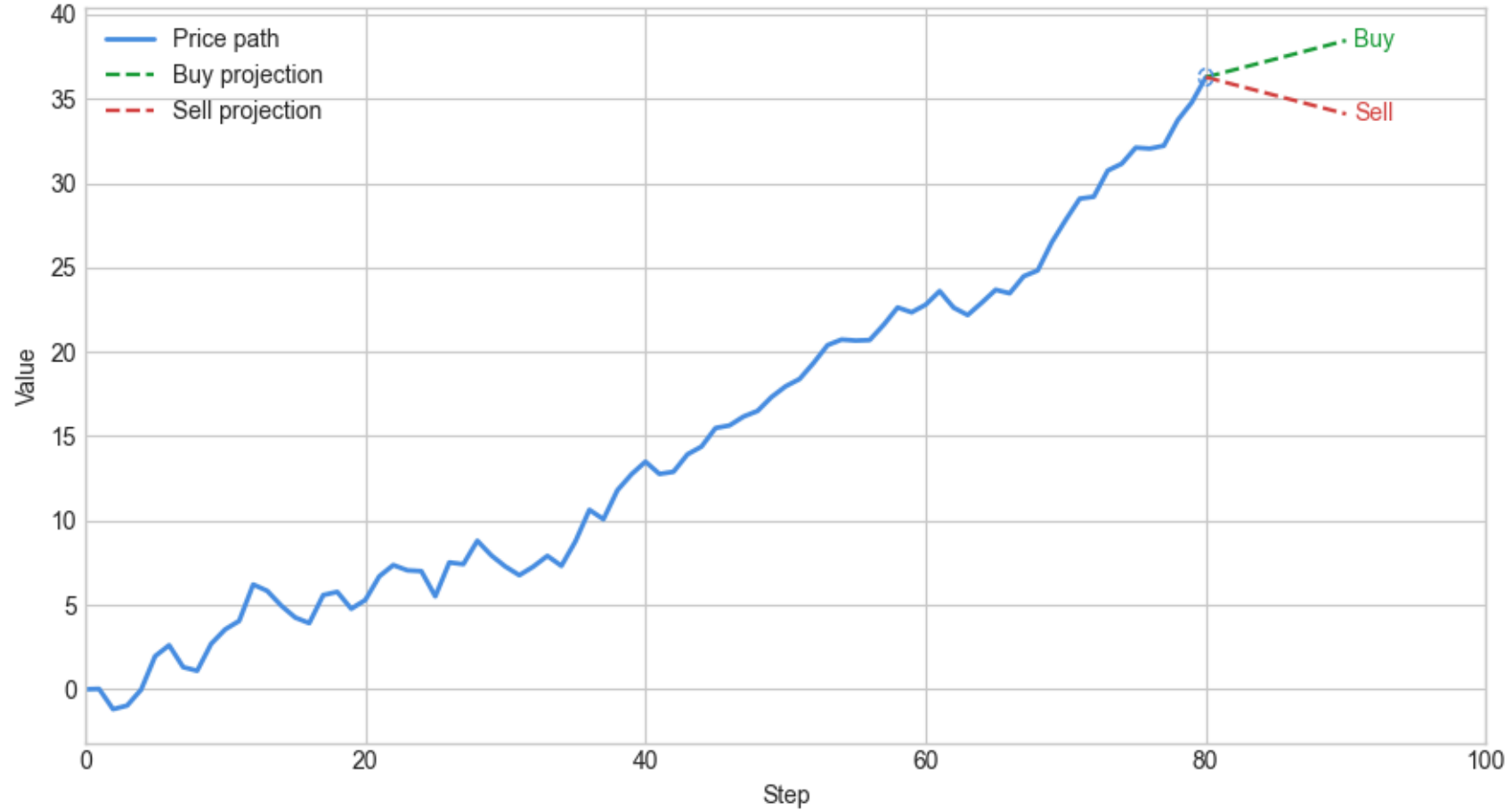
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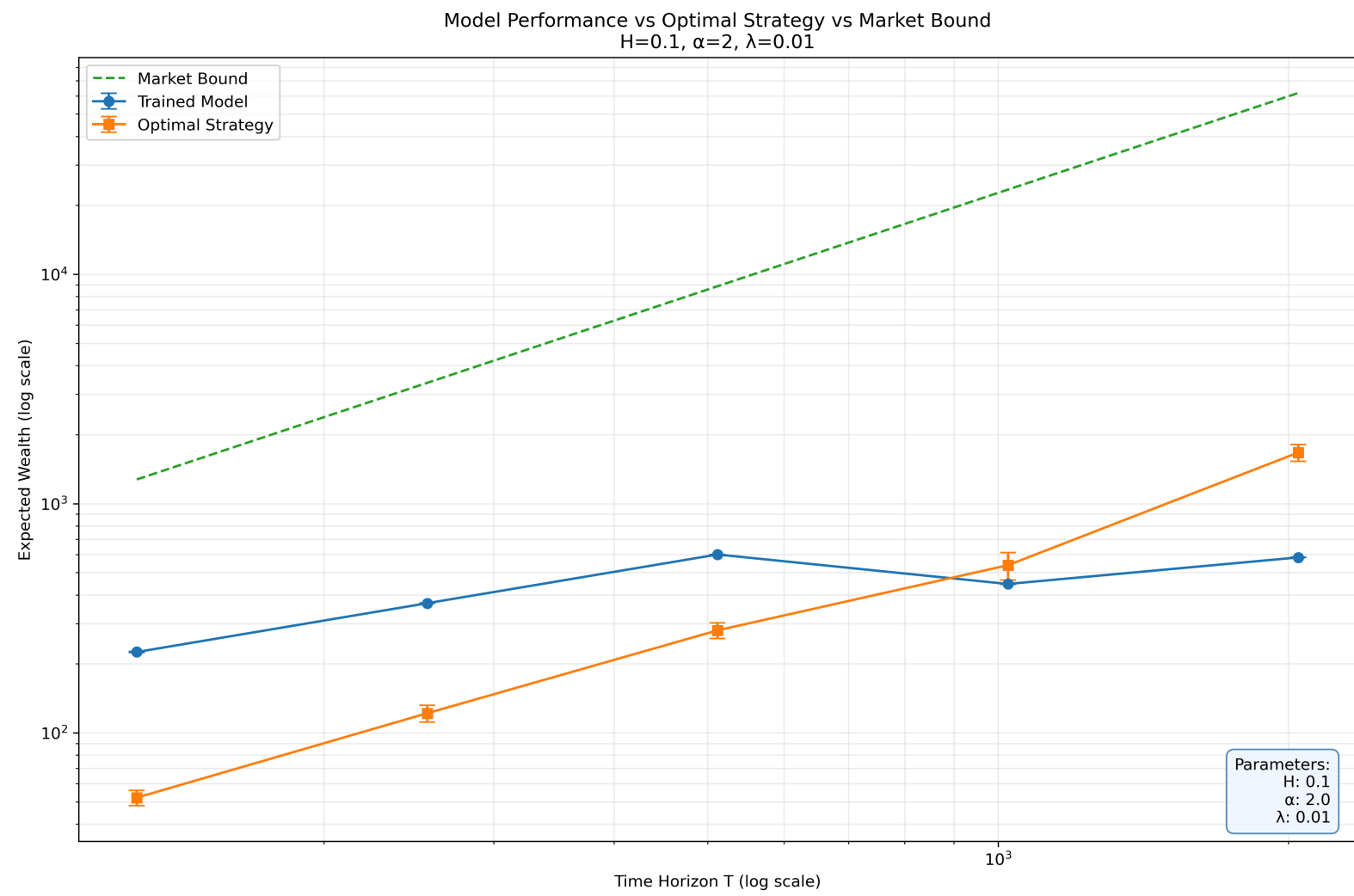
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$$X_t^1(\phi) := z^1 + \int_0^t \phi_u \, du \quad (\text{risky})$$

$$X_t^0(\phi) := z^0 - \int_0^t \phi_u S_u \, du - \int_0^t \lambda |\phi_u|^\alpha \, du \quad (\text{riskless})$$

$$\max_{\phi \in S(t)} \mathbb{E}[X_T^0(\phi)]$$

# Previous work



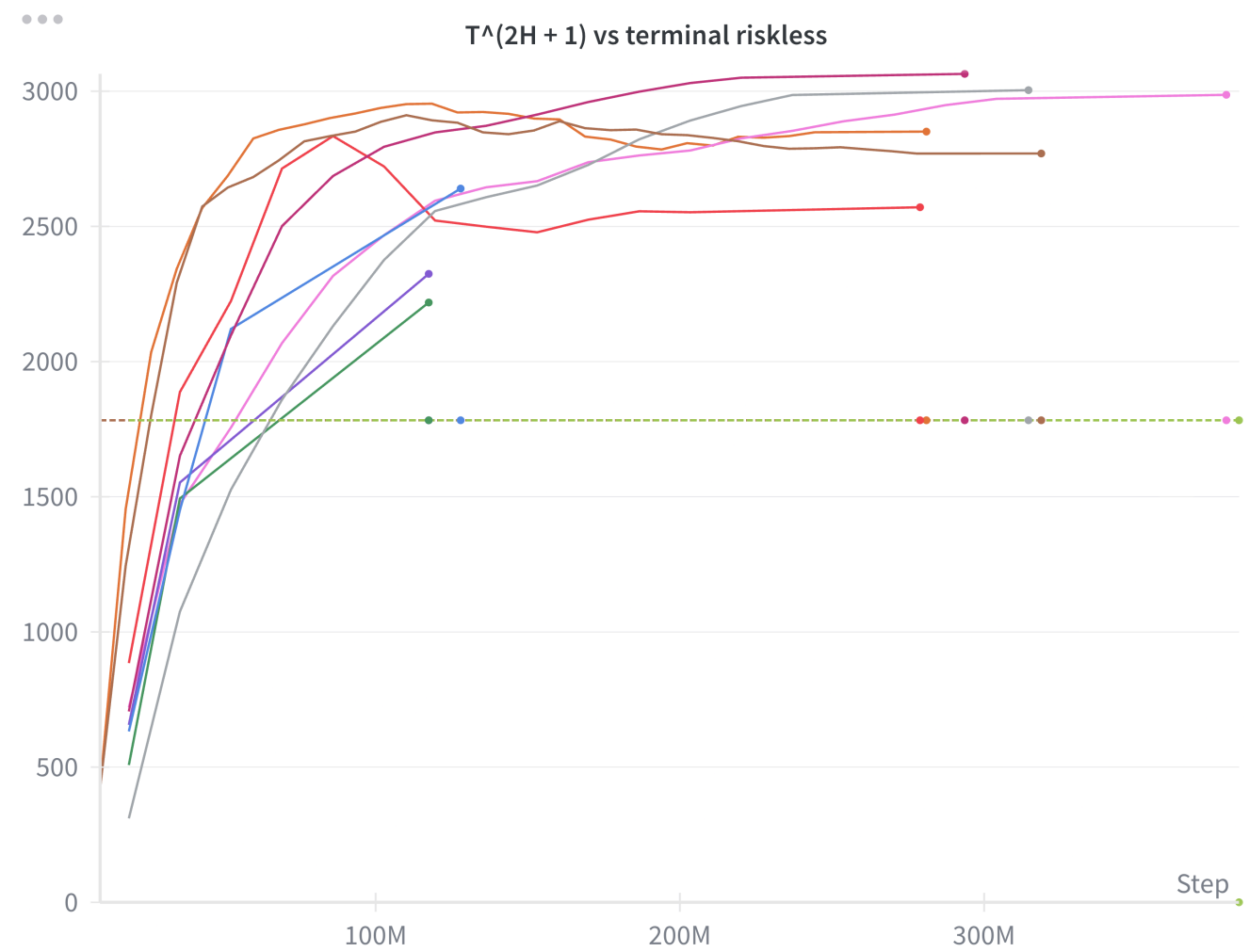
# Current work

- The code base was rewritten in C from Python
- Liquidation strategy is now a linear schedule
- Smarter rewards: anticipating liquidation value

# Results

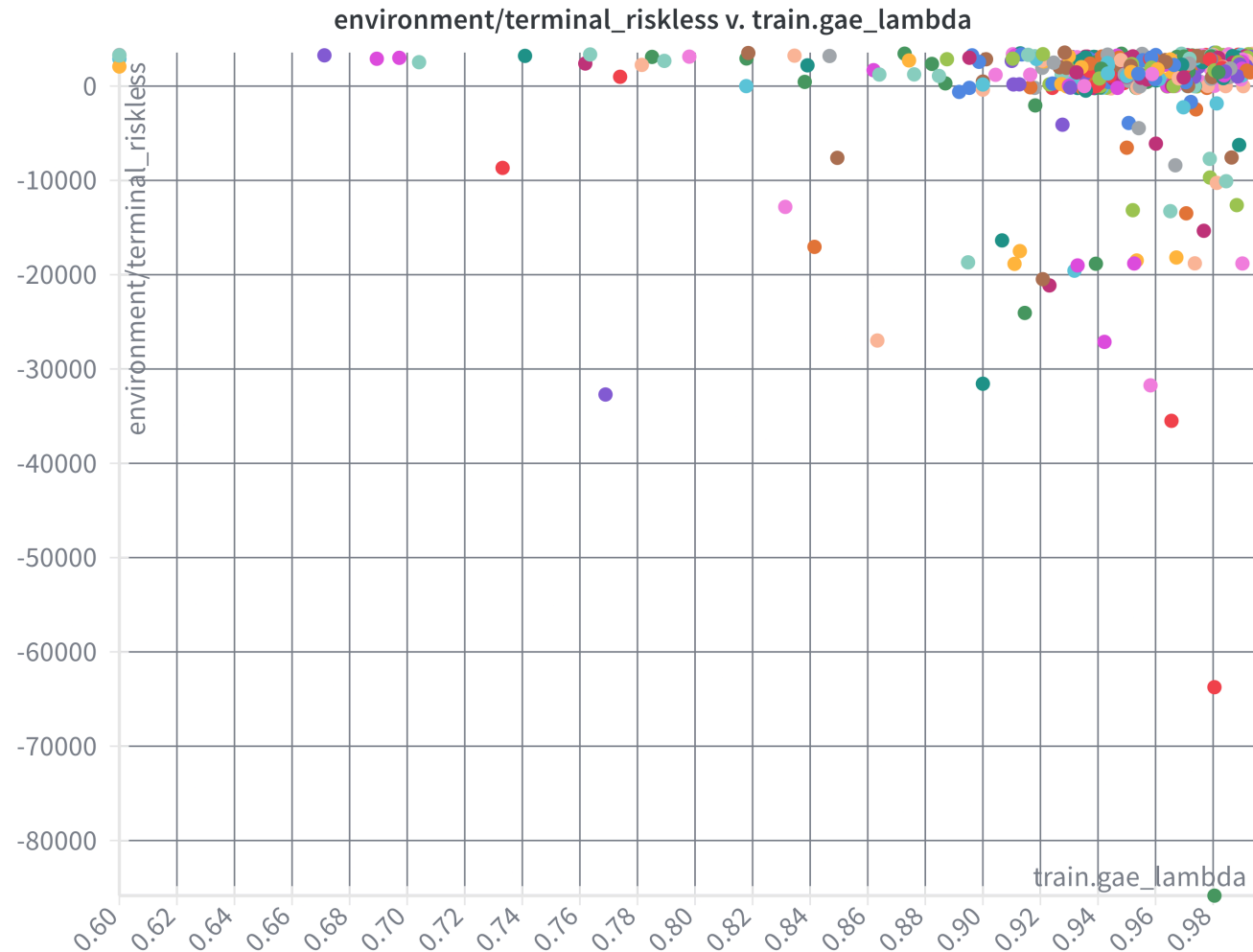
- Three orders of magnitude speedup (1.5k  $\Rightarrow$  1.5M SPS)
- Large-scale hyperparameter search with CARBS
- So far better performance for fix time horizons

# Example hyperparameter sweep (T = 512)





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# Usage of AI tools

- Perplexity – Research
- Cursor – Programming