Reinforcement Learning Mini Project

In this mini project, you will implement a reinforcement learning agent to play a game of your choice.

Deliverables

You should hand in a .zip file with the following contents:

- 1. A .py script that I can run to see your agent play the game.
- 2. A .md file with 300-ish words that explains your implementation and the results of your experiments.
- 3. A .pkl file with the trained parameters of your agent.
- 4. A .gif of your agent playing the game.
- 5. A .gif of a random agent playing the game.

You can use any reinforcement learning algorithm you like, but I recommend using DQN.

Submission

Send the .zip file to nobr@itu.dk. The deadline is 23:59 on October 1st.

Constraints

You are allowed to use random, tree, grad, jit, lax and vmap from jax as well as optax, and chex (and of course gymnax), but no other deep learning libraries (so also not jax.nn). You could use lax.scan or a simple for loop to play the game, while storing the transitions in a buffer. The buffer should be a deque from the collections module (store n entries and throw away the oldest when beyond capacity).

Some kind words

Deep Q-learning is a simple and powerful algorithm, but it can be a bit tricky to get right. From a signal processing perspective, it is actually an *infinite impulse response filter*, and there is a recurrent aspect to it that can be a bit tricky to wrap your head around.

Talk to each other, ask questions, make sure your environment is set up correctly.

Bonus

Change out your environment for a different one, to confirm the generality of your implementation.