Deep Reinforcement Learning

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In the last lab, we use the tabular method (Q-learning, SARSA) to train an agent to play Flappy Bird with features in environments. However, it is time-costly and inefficient if more features are added to the environment because the agent can not easily generalize its experience to other states that were not seen before. Furthermore, in realistic environments with large state/action space, it requires a large memory space to store all state-action pairs.

In this lab, we introduce deep reinforcement learning, which utilizes function approximation to estimate value/policy for all unseen states such that given a state, we can estimate its value or action. We can use what we have learned in machine learning (e.g. regression, DNN) to achieve it.

PPO X GAE

Reference: Generalized Advantage Estimation , Proximal Policy Optimization

To use reinforcement learning successfully in situations approaching real-world complexity, however, agents are confronted with a difficult task: they must derive efficient representations of the environment from high-dimensional sensory inputs, and use these to generalize past experience to new situations.

In this lab, we are going to train an agent which takes raw frames as input instead of hand-crafted features.

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In [ ]: import numpy as np
          import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
          import moviepy.editor as mpy
           import skimage.transform
           from IPython.display import Image, display
           import tensorflow as tf
          import tensorflow_probability as tfp
import tensorflow.keras.losses as kls
In [ ]: gpus = tf.config.list_physical_devices("GPU")
           if gpus:
               try:
                     # Restrict TensorFlow to only use the fourth GPU
                     tf.config.set_visible_devices(gpus[0], 'GPU')
                     # Currently, memory growth needs to be the same across GPUs
                     for gpu in gpus:
                          tf.config.experimental.set_memory_growth(gpu, True)
                     logical_gpus = tf.config.list_logical_devices('GPU')
               print(len(gpus), "Physical GPUs,", len(logical_gpus), "Logical GPUs")
except RuntimeError as e:

# Memory growth must be set before GPUs have been initialized
                     print(e)
In [ ]: import os
          os.environ["SDL_VIDEODRIVER"] = "dummy" # this line make pop-out window not appear from ple.games.flappybird import FlappyBird
           from ple import PLE
          game = FlappyBird()
env = PLE(game, fps=30, display_screen=False) # environment interface to game
env.reset_game()
          test_game = FlappyBird()
test_env = PLE(test_game, fps=30, display_screen=False)
          test_env.reset_game()
In [ ]: path = './movie_f'
   if not os.path.exists(path):
               os.makedirs(path)
In [ ]: hparas = {
                 'image_size': 84,
                'num_stack': 4,
'action_dim': len(env.getActionSet()),
'hidden_size': 256,
'lr': 0.0001,
                'gamma': 0.99,
'lambda': 0.95,
                'clip_val': 0.2,
'ppo_epochs': 8,
'test_epochs': 1,
                'num_steps': 512,
                'mini_batch_size': 64,
'target_reward': 200,
                'max_episode': 30000,
In [ ]: # Please do not modify this method
          def make_anim(images, fps=60, true_image=False):
               duration = len(images) / fps
               def make_frame(t):
                    try:
    x = images[int(len(images) / duration * t)]
                          x = images[-1]
                     if true_image:
                          return x.astype(np.uint8)
                          return ((x + 1) / 2 * 255).astype(np.uint8)
               clip = mpy.VideoClip(make_frame, duration=duration)
clip.fps = fps
               return clip
In [ ]: def preprocess_screen(screen):
               screen = skimage.transform.rotate(screen, -90, resize=True)
screen = screen[:400, :]
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screen = skimage.transform.resize(screen, [hparas['image_size'], hparas['image_size'], 1])
                       return screen.astype(np.float32)
                def frames_to_state(input_frames):
                      if(len(input_frames)
                             state = np.concatenate(input frames*4, axis=-1)
                      elif(len(input_frames) == 2):
                            state = np.concatenate(input_frames[0:1]*2 + input_frames[1:]*2, axis=-1)
                      elif(len(input_frames) == 3);
                             state = np.concatenate(input_frames + input_frames[2:], axis=-1)
                      else:
                              state = np.concatenate(input_frames[-4:], axis=-1)
                      return state
In [ ]: class ActorCriticNetwork(tf.keras.Model):
                      def __init__(self, hparas):
                             super().__init__()
                             self.feature_extractor = tf.keras.Sequential([
                                  # Convolutional Laver
                                 tf.keras.layers.Conv2D(filters=32, kernel_size=8, strides=4),
                                 tf.keras.layers.ReLU()
                                 tf.keras.layers.Conv2D(filters=64, kernel_size=4, strides=2),
                                tf.keras.layers.ReLU(),
tf.keras.layers.Conv2D(filters=64, kernel_size=3, strides=1),
                                tf.keras.layers.ReLU(),
                                # Embedding Layers
tf.keras.layers.Flatten(),
                                 tf.keras.layers.Dense(hparas['hidden_size']),
                                tf.keras.layers.ReLU(),
                              # Actor Network
                             self.actor = tf.keras.layers.Dense(hparas['action_dim'], activation='softmax')
                              # Critic Networ
                              self.critic = tf.keras.layers.Dense(1, activation = None)
                      def call(self, input):
                                    self.feature_extractor(input)
                             action_logits = self.actor(x)
value = self.critic(x)
                             return action_logits, value
In [ ]: class Agent():
                      def __init__(self, hparas):
    self.gamma = hparas['gamma']
                             self.optimizer = tf.keras.optimizers.Adam(learning_rate=hparas['lr'])
self.actor critic = ActorCriticNetwork(hparas)
                              self.clip_pram = hparas['clip_val']
                      def ppo iter(self, mini batch size, states, actions, log probs, returns, advantage):
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                                     yield tf.gather(states, rand_ids), tf.gather(actions, rand_ids), tf.gather(log_probs, rand_ids), \
tf.gather(returns, rand_ids), tf.gather(advantage, rand_ids)
                      def ppo_update(self, ppo_epochs, mini_batch_size, states, actions, log_probs, discount_rewards, advantages):
                              total_actor_loss = 0
                              total_critic_loss = 0
                             for _ in range(ppo_epochs):
    for state, action, old_log_probs, reward, advantage in self.ppo_iter(mini_batch_size, states, actions, log_probs, discount_rewards, advantages):
                                           reward = tf.expand_dims(reward, axis=-1)
                                           with tf.GradientTape() as tape:
    prob, value = self.actor_critic(state, training=True)
    dist = tfp.distributions.Categorical(probs=prob, dtype=tf.float32)
                                                   entropy = tf.math.reduce_mean(dist.entropy())
                                                  new_log_probs = dist.log_prob(action)
                                                   # PPO ratio
                                                   ratio = tf.math.exp(new_log_probs - old_log_probs)
                                                  surr1 = ratio * advantage
surr2 = tf.clip_by_value(ratio, 1.0 - self.clip_pram, 1.0 + self.clip_pram) * advantage
                                                  actor_loss = tf.math.negative(tf.math.reduce_mean(tf.math.minimum(surr1, surr2))) - 0.1 * entropy
                                                  critic_loss = 0.5 * tf.math.reduce_mean(kls.mean_squared_error(reward, value))
                                                  total_loss = actor_loss + critic_loss
                                            # single optimizer
                                            grads = tape.gradient(total_loss, self.actor_critic.trainable_variables)
                                            self.optimizer.apply_gradients(zip(grads, self.actor_critic.trainable_variables))
                                           total_actor_loss += actor_loss
total critic loss += critic loss
                             return total_actor_loss, total_critic_loss
In [ ]: # https://arxiv.org/pdf/1506.02438.pdf
                # Equation 16
               def compute_gae(rewards, masks, values, gamma, LAMBDA):
                      gae = 0
                       returns = []
                       for i in reversed(range(len(rewards))):
                            delta = rewards[i] + gamma * values[i + 1] * masks[i] - values[i]
gae = delta + gamma * LAMBDA * masks[i] * gae
                             returns.append(gae + values[i])
                      returns.reverse()
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Testing Environment

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In []: def test_reward(test_env, agent):
    total_reward = 0
    # Reset the environment
    test_env.reset_game()
    input_frames = [preprocess_screen(test_env.getScreenGrayscale())]
    while not test_env.game_over():
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state = frames_to_state(input_frames)
state = tf.expand_dims(state, axis=0)
prob, value = agent.actor_critic(state)

action = np.argmax(prob[0].numpy())
reward = test_env.act(test_env.getActionSet()[action])
total_reward += reward

input_frames.append(preprocess_screen(test_env.getScreenGrayscale()))
return total_reward
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Training

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In [ ]: agent = Agent(hparas)
   max_episode = hparas['max_episode']
            test_per_n_episode = 10
            force save per n episode = 1000
            early_stop_reward = 10
            start_s = 0
            best_reward = -5.0
            checkpoint = tf.train.Checkpoint(
                 actor critic = agent.actor_critic,
                 optimizer = agent.optimizer,
            # Load from old checkpoint
           # checkpoint.restore('ckpt_dir/ckpt-?')
In [ ]: ep_reward = []
           total_avgr = []
early_stop = False
            avg_rewards_list = []
            env.reset_game()
            for s in range(0, max_episode):
                 if early_stop == True:
    break
                 rewards = []
                 states = []
                 actions = []
                 log probs = []
                 masks = []
                 values = []
                 display_frames = [env.getScreenRGB()]
input_frames = [preprocess_screen(env.getScreenGrayscale())]
                 for step in range(hparas['num steps']):
                      state = frames_to_state(input_frames)
state = tf.expand_dims(state, axis=0)
                      prob, value = agent.actor_critic(state)
                      dist = tfp.distributions.Categorical(probs=prob[0], dtype=tf.float32)
                      action = dist.sample(1)
log_prob = dist.log_prob(action)
                      reward = env.act(env.getActionSet()[int(action.numpy())])
                      done = env.game_over()
                      states.append(state)
                      actions.append(action)
values.append(value[0])
                      log_probs.append(log_prob)
                      rewards.append(tf.convert_to_tensor(reward, dtype=tf.float32))
masks.append(tf.convert_to_tensor(1-int(done), dtype=tf.float32))
                      display frames.append(env.getScreenRGB())
                       input_frames.append(preprocess_screen(env.getScreenGrayscale()))
                       if done:
                            env.reset_game()
                            input_frames = [preprocess_screen(env.getScreenGrayscale())]
                 _, next_value = agent.actor_critic(state) values.append(next_value[0])
                 returns = compute_gae(rewards, masks, values, hparas['gamma'], hparas['lambda'])
                 returns = tf.concat(returns, axis=0)
log_probs = tf.concat(log_probs, axis=0)
                 values = tf.concat(values, axis=0)
states = tf.concat(states, axis=0)
                 actions = tf.concat(actions, axis=0)
                 advantage = returns - values[:-1]
                 a_loss, c_loss = agent.ppo_update(hparas['ppo_epochs'], hparas['mini_batch_size'], states, actions, log_probs, returns, advantage)
print('[Episode %d] Actor loss: %.5f, Critic loss: %.5f' % (s, a_loss, c_loss))
                 if s % test_per_n_episode == 0:
    # test agent hparas['test_epochs'] times to get the average reward
                      avg_reward = np.mean([test_reward(test_env, agent) for _ in range(hparas['test_epochs'])])
print("Test average reward is %.1f, Current best average reward is %.1f\n" % (avg_reward, best_reward))
avg_rewards_list.append(avg_reward)
                      if avg reward > best reward
                            best_reward = avg_reward
                            agent.actor_critic.save('./save/Actor/model_actor_{}_{}'.format(s, avg_reward), save_format="tf")
checkpoint.save(file_prefix = './save/checkpoints/ckpt')
                 if s % force save per n episode == 0:
                      agent.actor_critic.save('./save/Actor/model_actor_{}_{}'.'format(s, avg_reward), save_format="tf")
checkpoint.save(file_prefix = './save/checkpoints/ckpt')
clip = make_anim(display_frames, fps=60, true_image=True).rotate(-90)
                       clip.write\_videofile("movie\_f/{}_demo-{}_{}.webm".format('Lab15', s), fps=60)
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display(clip.ipython_display(fps=60, autoplay=1, loop=1, maxduration=120))
if best_reward >= early_stop_reward:
    early_stop = True
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Assignment

What you should do:

- Running the code and comprehense it
- Writing your discovery in this notebook(exempli gratia how many times your birds fly to get more than 10 rewards)

Evaluation metrics:

- Report of this lab (50%).
- The bird is able to fly through at least 1 pipe (50%).

Requirements:

- Upload the notebook to eeclass
 - Lab15_{student_id}.ipynb
- Deadline: 2022-12-22(Thur) 23:59.