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Abstract

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1 Background

1.1 Previous Progress

Write something.

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2 Implementation

2.1 Single Player Mode

In the beginning stage of our project in this term, we found that it's hard to train AI to play our game with DQN. So to simplify the issue and solve our prolem better, we first implement a single player mode.

Then with the experience from single player mode, we are finally able to train DQN AI that could play 1v1 mode with logic.

In this mode, we randomize the initialization of our player and ball. They will be put on the soccer field randomly when each episode begins.

```
def reset_random(ball, player):
    ball.rect.centerx = screen_rect.centerx + (np_random.rand() - 0.5) * conf.width * 0.65
    ball.rect.centery = screen_rect.centery + (np_random.rand() - 0.5) * conf.height * 0.65
    ball.if_caught = False
    ball.catcher = -1
    ball.v.x = 0
    ball.v.y = 0
    player.rect.centerx = screen_rect.centerx + (np_random.rand() - 0.5) * conf.width * 0.65
    player.rect.centery = screen_rect.centery + (np_random.rand() - 0.5) * conf.height * 0.65
    player.v.x = 0
    player.v.y = 0
```

Figure 1: implementation of reset_random

2.2 Agent State

The state of agent represent the features sent to neural network. We add one more item into the agent state, which shows if the player is catching the ball or not. In the soccer game, there is cool down time for each player to prevent it to get the ball back as soon as it just shoots the ball. Therefore the coincidence of positions of player and

ball doesn't mean that player could catch and shoot the ball. So one more item in agent state could help AI better understand its situation.

2.3 Reward Function

Reward function is crucial in reinforcement learning. As a soccer game, when a team get a goal, it will get huge reward. Besides, when a player catch a ball, it will also receive reward. Besides, to encourage player to keep the ball longer, once the player shoot the ball, it will get punishment.

However, only these basic rewards are not enough for training. Below are our modification for other part of reward function.

2.3.1 Original Reward Function

In our original reward function, we give reward to the agent if it's closer to the ball than other player. Otherwise, the agent would get punishment. Besides, if the ball get closer to one door, the team attacking this door would get reward, and other team would get punishment.

```
Algorithm 1 Original Reward(Agent1, Agent2, Ball)
  Closer\_Agent(Agent1, Agent2, Ball).reward + = 200
  Further_Agent(Agent1, Agent2, Ball).reward - = 200
  if Ball Moves right then
     Agent1.reward + = 600
     Agent2.reward -=600
  if Ball Moves left then
     Agent2.reward + = 600
     Agent1.reward -=600
  if Ball goes into right door then
     Agent1.reward + = 100000
     Agent2.reward - = 10000
  if Ball goes into left door then
     Agent2.reward + = 100000
     Agent1.reward - = 10000
  if Agent shoot the ball then
```

2.3.2 Reward Function For Single Mode

Agent-shoot-ball.reward - = 1000

With Single Player Mode, we need a new reward function. This one is simple. If the player is moving closer to the ball, it will get reward, otherwise it will get punishment. Also, if the player shoot the ball to the direction to the right door, it will get reward. But if it shoots to wrong direction, it will get punishment. Then to encourage the player to keep the ball, it will also have reward when it keeps the ball.

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Algorithm 2 Single Mode Reward(Agent, Ball)
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if Closer(Agent, Ball) or Keep(Agent, Ball) then
    Agent.reward + = 200
else
    Agent.reward - = 200
if Ball goes into right door then
    Agent.reward + = 100000
if Ball goes into left door then
    Agent.reward - = 10000
if Agent shoot the ball then
    team-of-the-agent.reward - = 1000
```

2.3.3 New Reward Function

Then, with experience from single player mode, we modify our original reward function. We cancel the comparison of distance to ball between two agents, instead we only care if the agent is closer to the ball. Also, we cancel some punishment to avoid agent playing to negatively. And we adjust the amount of reward during our test.

Algorithm 3 Original Reward(Agent1, Agent2, Ball)

if Closer(Agent1, Ball) then

Agent1.reward + = 100

else

Agent1.reward - = 100

if Closer(Agent2, Ball) then

Agent2.reward + = 100

else

Agent2.reward - = 100

if Ball Moves right then

Agent1.reward + = 100

if Ball Moves left then

Agent2.reward + = 100

 ${f if}$ Ball goes into right door ${f then}$

Agent1.reward + = 100000

Agent2.reward - = 10000

if Ball goes into left door then

Agent2.reward + = 100000

Agent1.reward - = 10000

if Agent shoot the ball then

Agent-shoot-ball.reward - = 1000

2.4 Neural Network

In the implementation of our DQN, we look through a good tutorial of MorvanZhou(Zhou), which help us a lot. And we use two DQN implementation in our project, one offered in the tutorial, and another one implemented by us with keras, inspired by previous version, referenced from tutorial. Below we will use the second implementation, to briefly introduce our neural network.

2.4.1 Structrue of Nerual Network

There are two layers in our nerual network. In the first layer, we add a relu activation layer in the end. All variables are initialized with random normal initializers.

Figure 2: structure of nerual network

2.4.2 Update

We randomly pick batch of memory, and calculate their actions from previous state to target network, and after state to eval network. Then we calculate relative q values of target model, and update the parameters in eval network. Also, the parameters in target network will be updated every R rounds of update.(R=300 in our project).

```
def update(self, lr=1):
   if self.step_counter % self.replace_target_iter == 0:
       self.replace_target_params()
   if self.step_counter > self.memory_size:
       sample_index = np.random.choice(self.memory_size, size=self.batch_size)
       sample_index = np.random.choice(self.memory_counter, size=self.batch_size)
   batch_memory = self.memory[sample_index, :]
   q_eval = self.model.predict(batch_memory[:, :self.features])
   q_next = self.target_model.predict(batch_memory[:, -self.features:])
   q_target = q_eval.copy()
   for i, replay in enumerate(batch_memory):
       a = replay[self.features]
       r = replay[self.features+1]
       history = self.model.fit(batch_memory[:, :self.features], q_target, verbose=0)
   self.cost_history.append(history.history['loss'])
   self.epsilon = self.epsilon + \
       self.epsilon_increment if self.epsilon < self.epsilon_max else self.epsilon_max</pre>
   self.step_counter += 1
```

Figure 3: update

2.5 Measurement of Performance

- 3 Result
- 3.1 Single Player Mode
- 3.2 1v1 Mode

4 Discussion

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