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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.

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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
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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.

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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
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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
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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 + = 100else Agent1.reward - = 100if Closer(Agent2, Ball) then Agent2.reward + = 100else Agent2.reward - = 100if Ball Moves right then Agent1.reward + = 100if Ball Moves left then Agent2.reward + = 100if Ball goes into right door then Agent1.reward + = 100000Agent2.reward - = 10000if Ball goes into left door then

2.4 Neural Network

Agent2.reward + = 100000Agent1.reward - = 10000

if Agent shoot the ball then

2.5 Measurement of Performance

Agent-shoot-ball.reward - = 1000

3 Result

3.1 Single Player Mode₇

3.2 1v1 Mode

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