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In [ ]:
          1 import numpy as np
          2 import gymnasium as gym
          3 from collections import deque
          4 | import random
          6 # Ornstein-Ulhenbeck Process
         7 | # Taken from #https://github.com/vitchyr/rlkit/blob/master/rlkit/exploration_strategies/ou_strategy.py
            class OUNoise(object):
          9
                 def __init__(self, action_space, mu=0.0, theta=0.15, max_sigma=0.3, min_sigma=0.3, decay_period=100000):
         10
                     self.mu
                                       = mu
                                       = theta
         11
                     self.theta
         12
                     self.sigma
                                       = max_sigma
         13
                     self.max_sigma
                                       = max sigma
         14
                                       = min_sigma
                     self.min_sigma
         15
                     self.decay_period = decay_period
         16
                     self.action_dim = action_space.shape[0]
         17
                                       = action space.low
                     self.low
         18
                     self.high
                                       = action_space.high
                     self.reset()
         19
         20
         21
                 def reset(self):
         22
                     self.state = np.ones(self.action_dim) * self.mu
         23
         24
                 def evolve_state(self):
         25
                     x = self.state
         26
                     dx = self.theta * (self.mu - x) + self.sigma * np.random.randn(self.action_dim)
         27
                     self.state = x + dx
         28
                     return self.state
         29
                 def get_action(self, action, t=0):
         30
                     ou_state = self.evolve_state()
         31
         32
                     self.sigma = self.max_sigma - (self.max_sigma - self.min_sigma) * min(1.0, t / self.decay_period)
         33
                     return np.clip(action + ou_state, self.low, self.high)
         34
         35
            # https://github.com/openai/gym/blob/master/gym/core.py
         37
             class NormalizedEnv(gym.ActionWrapper):
                 """ Wrap action """
         38
         39
         40
                 def action(self, action):
         41
                     act_k = (self.action_space.high - self.action_space.low)/ 2.
         42
                     act_b = (self.action_space.high + self.action_space.low)/ 2.
         43
                     return act_k * action + act_b
         44
         45
         46
         47
             class Memory:
         48
                 def __init__(self, max_size):
         49
                     self.max_size = max_size
         50
                     self.buffer = deque(maxlen=max_size)
         51
         52
                 def push(self, state, action, reward, next_state, done):
         53
                     experience = (state, action, np.array([reward]), next_state, done)
         54
                     self.buffer.append(experience)
         55
         56
                 def sample(self, batch_size):
         57
                     state_batch = []
         58
                     action_batch = []
         59
                     reward_batch = []
         60
                     next_state_batch = []
         61
                     done\_batch = []
         62
                     batch = random.sample(self.buffer, batch_size)
         63
         64
                     for experience in batch:
         65
         66
                         state, action, reward, next_state, done = experience
         67
                         state_batch.append(state)
                         action_batch.append(action)
         68
                         reward_batch.append(reward)
         69
         70
                         next_state_batch.append(next_state)
                         done_batch.append(done)
         71
         72
         73
                     return state_batch, action_batch, reward_batch, next_state_batch, done_batch
         74
         75
                 def __len__(self):
                     return len(self.buffer)
         76
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DDPG uses four neural networks: a Q network, a deterministic policy network, a target Q network, and a target policy network.

Parameters:

 $\theta^Q: Q$ network

 θ^{μ} : Deterministic policy function

 $\theta^{Q'}$: target Q network

 $\theta^{\mu'}$: target policy network

The Q network and policy network is very much like simple Advantage Actor-Critic, but in DDPG, the Actor directly maps states to actions instead of

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1 import torch
In [ ]:
          2 | import torch.nn as nn
            import torch.nn.functional as F
            class Critic(nn.Module):
                 def __init__(self, input_size, hidden_size, output_size):
          7
                     super(Critic, self).__init__()
          8
                     self.linear1 = nn.Linear(input size, hidden size)
          9
                     self.linear2 = nn.Linear(hidden_size, hidden_size)
         10
                     self.linear3 = nn.Linear(hidden_size, output_size)
         11
         12
                 def forward(self, state, action):
         13
                     Params state and actions are torch tensors
         14
         15
         16
                     x = torch.cat([state, action], 1)
         17
                     x = F.relu(self.linear1(x))
                     x = F.relu(self.linear2(x))
         18
         19
                     x = self.linear3(x)
         20
         21
                     return x
         22
         23
             class Actor(nn.Module):
         24
                 def __init__(self, input_size, hidden_size, output_size, learning_rate = 3e-4):
                     super(Actor, self).__init__()
         25
                     self.linear1 = nn.Linear(input_size, hidden_size)
         26
         27
                     self.linear2 = nn.Linear(hidden_size, hidden_size)
                     self.linear3 = nn.Linear(hidden_size, output_size)
         28
         29
         30
                 def forward(self, state):
         31
         32
                     Param state is a torch tensor
         33
         34
                     x = F.relu(self.linear1(state))
         35
                     x = F.relu(self.linear2(x))
                     x = torch.tanh(self.linear3(x))
         36
         37
         38
                     return x
```

Now, let's create the DDPG agent. The agent class has two main functions: "get_action" and "update":

• get_action(): This function runs a forward pass through the actor network to select a determinisitic action. In the DDPG paper, the authors use Ornstein-Uhlenbeck Process to add noise to the action output (Uhlenbeck & Ornstein, 1930), thereby resulting in exploration in the environment. Class OUNoise (in cell 1) implements this.

$$\mu'(s_t) = \mu(s_t|\theta_t^{\mu}) + \mathcal{N}$$

• update(): This function is used for updating the actor and critic networks, and forms the core of the DDPG algorithm. The replay buffer is first sampled to get a batch of experiences of the form <states, actions, rewards, next states>.

The value network is updated using the Bellman equation, similar to Q-learning. However, in DDPG, the next-state Q values are calculated with the target value network and target policy network. Then, we minimize the mean-squared loss between the target Q value and the predicted Q value:

$$y_{i} = r_{i} + \gamma Q'(s_{i+1}, \mu'(s_{i+1}|\theta^{\mu'})|\theta^{Q'})$$

$$Loss = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i} (y_{i} - Q(s_{i}, a_{i}|\theta^{Q}))^{2}$$

For the policy function, our objective is to maximize the expected return. To calculate the policy gradient, we take the derivative of the objective function with respect to the policy parameter. For this, we use the chain rule.

$$\nabla_{\theta^{\mu}} J(\theta) \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i} [\nabla_{a} Q(s, a | \theta^{Q})|_{s=s_{i}, a=\mu(s_{i})} \nabla_{\theta^{\mu}} \mu(s | \theta^{\mu})|_{s=s_{i}}]$$

We make a copy of the target network parameters and have them slowly track those of the learned networks via "soft updates," as illustrated below:

$$\theta^{Q'} \leftarrow \tau \theta^{Q} + (1 - \tau)\theta^{Q'}$$
$$\theta^{\mu'} \leftarrow \tau \theta^{\mu} + (1 - \tau)\theta^{\mu'}$$

where
$$\tau \ll 1$$

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In [ ]:
          1 import torch
          2 import torch.optim as optim
          3 import torch.nn as nn
            class DDPGagent:
          5
                 def __init__(self, env, hidden_size=256, actor_learning_rate=1e-4, critic_learning_rate=1.5e-3, gamma=0.99, tau=
          6
          7
                     # Params
          8
                     self.num states = env.observation space.shape[0]
          9
                     self.num_actions = env.action_space.shape[0]
         10
                     self.gamma = gamma
                     self.tau = tau
         11
         12
         13
                     # Networks
         14
                     self.actor = Actor(self.num_states, hidden_size, self.num_actions)
                     self.actor target = Actor(self.num states, hidden size, self.num actions)
         15
                     self.critic = Critic(self.num states + self.num actions, hidden size, self.num actions)
         16
         17
                     self.critic_target = Critic(self.num_states + self.num_actions, hidden_size, self.num_actions)
         18
         19
         20
                     for target_param, param in zip(self.actor_target.parameters(), self.actor.parameters()):
         21
                         target_param.data.copy_(param.data)
         22
         23
                     for target_param, param in zip(self.critic_target.parameters(), self.critic.parameters()):
         24
                         target_param.data.copy_(param.data)
         25
         26
                     # Training
         27
                     self.memory = Memory(max_memory_size)
         28
                     self.critic_criterion = nn.MSELoss()
         29
                     self.actor_optimizer = optim.Adam(self.actor.parameters(), lr=actor_learning_rate)
         30
                     self.critic_optimizer = optim.Adam(self.critic.parameters(), lr=critic_learning_rate)
         31
         32
                 def get_action(self, state):
         33
                     state = torch.FloatTensor(state).unsqueeze(0)
                     action = self.actor.forward(state)
         34
         35
                     action = action.detach().numpy()[0,0]
         36
                     return action
         37
         38
                 def update(self, batch_size):
                     states, actions, rewards, next_states, _ = self.memory.sample(batch_size)
         39
         40
                     states = torch.FloatTensor(states)
         41
                     actions = torch.FloatTensor(actions)
         42
                     rewards = torch.FloatTensor(rewards)
         43
                     next_states = torch.FloatTensor(next_states)
         44
         45
         46
                     # Implement critic loss and update critic
         47
                     target = rewards + self.gamma * self.critic_target.forward(next_states, self.actor_target.forward(next_state
         48
                     target = target.detach()
         49
         50
                     self.critic_optimizer.zero_grad()
         51
                     critic_loss = self.critic_criterion(self.critic.forward(states, actions), target)
         52
                     critic_loss.backward()
         53
                     self.critic_optimizer.step()
         54
         55
                     # Implement actor loss and update actor
                     self.actor_optimizer.zero_grad()
         56
         57
                     actor_loss = - self.critic.forward(states, self.actor.forward(states)).mean()
         58
                     actor_loss.backward()
                     self.actor_optimizer.step()
         59
         60
         61
                     # update target networks
                     for target_param, param in zip(self.actor_target.parameters(), self.actor.parameters()):
         62
         63
                         target_param.data.copy_(self.tau*param.data + (1 - self.tau)*target_param)
         64
         65
                     for target_param, param in zip(self.critic_target.parameters(), self.critic.parameters()):
                         target_param.data.copy_(self.tau*param.data + (1 - self.tau)*target_param)
         66
         67
         68
```

Putting it all together: DDPG in action.

The main function below runs 100 episodes of DDPG on the "Pendulum-v0" environment of OpenAI gym. This is the inverted pendulum swingup problem, a classic problem in the control literature. In this version of the problem, the pendulum starts in a random position, and the goal is to swing it up so it stays upright.

Each episode is for a maximum of 200 timesteps. At each step, the agent chooses an action, moves to the next state and updates its parameters according to the DDPG algorithm, repeating this process till the end of the episode.

The DDPG algorithm is as follows:

Algorithm 1 DDPG algorithm

Randomly initialize critic network $Q(s,a|\theta^Q)$ and actor $\mu(s|\theta^\mu)$ with weights θ^Q and θ^μ . Initialize target network Q' and μ' with weights $\theta^{Q'}\leftarrow\theta^Q, \theta^{\mu'}\leftarrow\theta^\mu$

Initialize replay buffer R

for episode = 1, M do Initialize a random process N for action exploration

Receive initial observation state s_1

for t = 1, T do

Select action $a_t = \mu(s_t|\theta^{\mu}) + \mathcal{N}_t$ according to the current policy and exploration noise

Execute action a_t and observe reward r_t and observe new state s_{t+1}

Store transition (s_t, a_t, r_t, s_{t+1}) in R

Sample a random minibatch of N transitions (s_i, a_i, r_i, s_{i+1}) from R

Set $y_i = r_i + \gamma Q'(s_{i+1}, \mu'(s_{i+1}|\theta^{\mu'})|\theta^{Q'})$ Update critic by minimizing the loss: $L = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i (y_i - Q(s_i, a_i|\theta^Q))^2$ Update the actor policy using the sampled policy gradient:

$$\nabla_{\theta^{\mu}} J \approx \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i} \nabla_{a} Q(s, a | \theta^{Q})|_{s=s_{i}, a=\mu(s_{i})} \nabla_{\theta^{\mu}} \mu(s | \theta^{\mu})|_{s_{i}}$$

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In [ ]:
          1 import sys
          2 import gymnasium as gym
          3 import numpy as np
          4 import pandas as pd
            import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
          7 # For more info on the Pendulum environment, check out https://www.gymlibrary.dev/environments/classic_control/pendu
          8 env = NormalizedEnv(gym.make("Pendulum-v1", g=9.81))
         10 agent = DDPGagent(env)
         11 noise = OUNoise(env.action_space)
         12 batch_size = 128
         13 rewards = []
         14 avg_rewards = []
         15
         16 for episode in range(100):
         17
                 state, _ = env.reset()
         18
                 noise.reset()
                 episode_reward = 0
         19
         20
                 done = 0
         21
         22
                 for step in range(200):
         23
                     action = agent.get_action(state)
         24
         25
                     #Add noise to action
         26
                     action = noise.get_action(action, step)
         27
         28
                     new_state, reward, terminated, truncated, _ = env.step(action)
         29
                     if terminated or truncated:
         30
                         done = 1 # Ensuring backward compatibility
                     agent.memory.push(state, action, reward, new_state, done)
         31
         32
         33
                     if len(agent.memory) > batch_size:
         34
                         agent.update(batch_size)
         35
         36
                     state = new_state
         37
                     episode_reward += reward
         38
         39
                     if done:
                         sys.stdout.write("episode: {}, reward: {}, average _reward: {} \n".format(episode, np.round(episode_rewa
         40
                         break
         41
         42
         43
                 rewards.append(episode_reward)
         44
                 avg_rewards.append(np.mean(rewards[-10:]))
         45
         46 plt.plot(rewards)
         47 plt.plot(avg_rewards)
         48 plt.plot()
         49 plt.xlabel('Episode')
         50 plt.ylabel('Reward')
         51 plt.show()
```

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/usr/local/lib/python3.11/dist-packages/numpy/_core/fromnumeric.py:3596: RuntimeWarning: Mean of empty slice.
  return _methods._mean(a, axis=axis, dtype=dtype,
/usr/local/lib/python3.11/dist-packages/numpy/_core/_methods.py:138: RuntimeWarning: invalid value encountered in scala
r divide
  ret = ret.dtype.type(ret / rcount)
```

```
episode: 0, reward: -1361.79, average _reward: nan
episode: 1, reward: -1649.11, average _reward: -1361.7929196444409
episode: 2, reward: -1566.21, average _reward: -1505.4507622115516
episode: 3, reward: -1378.96, average _reward: -1525.7037128035056
episode: 4, reward: -1360.95, average _reward: -1489.018864163167
episode: 5, reward: -1220.93, average _reward: -1463.404763496853
episode: 6, reward: -798.88, average reward: -1422.9918552055262
episode: 7, reward: -783.03, average _reward: -1333.8332856681773
episode: 8, reward: -514.08, average _reward: -1264.9834472588589
episode: 9, reward: -509.55, average _reward: -1181.550027188068
episode: 10, reward: -423.07, average _reward: -1114.3496905883676
episode: 11, reward: -652.88, average _reward: -1020.4769979570644
episode: 12, reward: -485.88, average _reward: -920.8545808602912
episode: 13, reward: -775.25, average _reward: -812.821149638496
episode: 14, reward: -516.0, average _reward: -752.450073605027
episode: 15, reward: -376.46, average _reward: -667.9550993371506
episode: 16, reward: -507.54, average reward: -583.5085389380858
episode: 17, reward: -262.17, average _reward: -554.3741184083075
episode: 18, reward: -618.09, average reward: -502.28743924574457
episode: 19, reward: -436.74, average _reward: -512.6884455554484
episode: 20, reward: -258.65, average _reward: -505.40809528752277
episode: 21, reward: -504.32, average _reward: -488.96669449187175
episode: 22, reward: -128.75, average _reward: -474.1101098388766
episode: 23, reward: -359.82, average _reward: -438.397525229038
episode: 24, reward: -491.74, average _reward: -396.8540542430846
episode: 25, reward: -685.0, average _reward: -394.42863066080037
episode: 26, reward: -496.48, average _reward: -425.2820887451726
episode: 27, reward: -748.03, average _reward: -424.17593900289387
episode: 28, reward: -507.22, average _reward: -472.7617108106195
episode: 29, reward: -493.65, average _reward: -461.67419132218737
episode: 30, reward: -494.66, average reward: -467.3650733013001
episode: 31, reward: -248.85, average _reward: -490.96629281589077
episode: 32, reward: -425.61, average _reward: -465.4193906406011
episode: 33, reward: -494.64, average _reward: -495.1052834253378
episode: 34, reward: -365.48, average _reward: -508.58714612094826
episode: 35, reward: -384.7, average _reward: -495.9608141746477
episode: 36, reward: -244.9, average _reward: -465.9315607403827
episode: 37, reward: -381.09, average _reward: -440.7744165161629
episode: 38, reward: -679.18, average reward: -404.08106435972667
episode: 39, reward: -253.83, average _reward: -421.277403016387
episode: 40, reward: -408.41, average _reward: -397.29557599076304
episode: 41, reward: -381.16, average _reward: -388.6704804471452
episode: 42, reward: -244.77, average _reward: -401.9014736503667
episode: 43, reward: -389.05, average _reward: -383.81722998816997
episode: 44, reward: -722.68, average _reward: -373.2588616060537
episode: 45, reward: -302.24, average _reward: -408.9783163072316
episode: 46, reward: -454.66, average _reward: -400.73199429948113
episode: 47, reward: -503.27, average _reward: -421.7077255875727
episode: 48, reward: -496.07, average _reward: -433.9258305555819
episode: 49, reward: -629.1, average _reward: -415.6144833813032
episode: 50, reward: -493.23, average _reward: -453.141180726308
episode: 51, reward: -500.69, average _reward: -461.6232318489835
episode: 52, reward: -497.66, average _reward: -473.5766004777197
episode: 53, reward: -374.7, average _reward: -498.8663766551566
episode: 54, reward: -501.6, average _reward: -497.43074035867767
episode: 55, reward: -746.5, average _reward: -475.32349152004207
episode: 56, reward: -619.22, average _reward: -519.7491172154988
episode: 57, reward: -733.14, average _reward: -536.2053105287284
episode: 58, reward: -743.59, average _reward: -559.1921496262502
episode: 59, reward: -499.47, average _reward: -583.9446593428314
episode: 60, reward: -218.0, average _reward: -570.9817904411683
episode: 61, reward: -515.02, average _reward: -543.4581523978086
episode: 62, reward: -373.08, average _reward: -544.8911047110428
episode: 63, reward: -288.37, average _reward: -532.4329316129115
episode: 64, reward: -634.72, average _reward: -523.7997730246258
episode: 65, reward: -732.93, average _reward: -537.1110059252669
episode: 66, reward: -500.92, average _reward: -535.7543801985029
episode: 67, reward: -617.59, average _reward: -523.9243011154606
episode: 68, reward: -257.26, average _reward: -512.3694654560917
episode: 69, reward: -385.75, average _reward: -463.73580768071196
episode: 70, reward: -509.78, average _reward: -452.36313165838254
episode: 71, reward: -411.96, average _reward: -481.5416618035735
episode: 72, reward: -313.8, average _reward: -471.2349031832392
episode: 73, reward: -621.63, average _reward: -465.30640762172925
episode: 74, reward: -621.18, average _reward: -498.63290165386417
episode: 75, reward: -742.32, average _reward: -497.2796413387603
episode: 76, reward: -408.05, average reward: -498.2185227267161
episode: 77, reward: -507.73, average reward: -488.9312601105895
episode: 78, reward: -578.5, average _reward: -477.9451309229172
episode: 79, reward: -381.54, average reward: -510.06972064121993
episode: 80, reward: -501.08, average _reward: -509.6491776069894
episode: 81, reward: -378.48, average _reward: -508.77931114179756
episode: 82, reward: -595.09, average _reward: -505.4322746527346
episode: 83, reward: -486.87, average _reward: -533.5611358224885
episode: 84, reward: -489.41, average reward: -520.0854987775871
episode: 85, reward: -381.08, average _reward: -506.90857535313154
episode: 86, reward: -757.74, average _reward: -470.7843137601791
episode: 87, reward: -616.29, average _reward: -505.7527927723139
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episode: 88, reward: -370.21, average _reward: -516.6090882670534 episode: 89, reward: -602.26, average _reward: -495.77947898360236 episode: 90, reward: -602.99, average _reward: -517.8518743740658 episode: 91, reward: -632.51, average _reward: -528.0420585921013 episode: 92, reward: -147.71, average _reward: -553.4448956442254 episode: 93, reward: -624.15, average _reward: -508.7068430080549 episode: 94, reward: -617.34, average _reward: -522.4347020453938 episode: 95, reward: -258.08, average _reward: -535.2269944871384 episode: 96, reward: -506.54, average _reward: -522.9274698822094 episode: 97, reward: -636.45, average _reward: -497.808181803762 episode: 98, reward: -365.54, average _reward: -499.8237831674202 episode: 99, reward: -507.32, average _reward: -499.35746216417147
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