

CSCI 166 Project Presentation

# A Comparison of DQN and Double DQN

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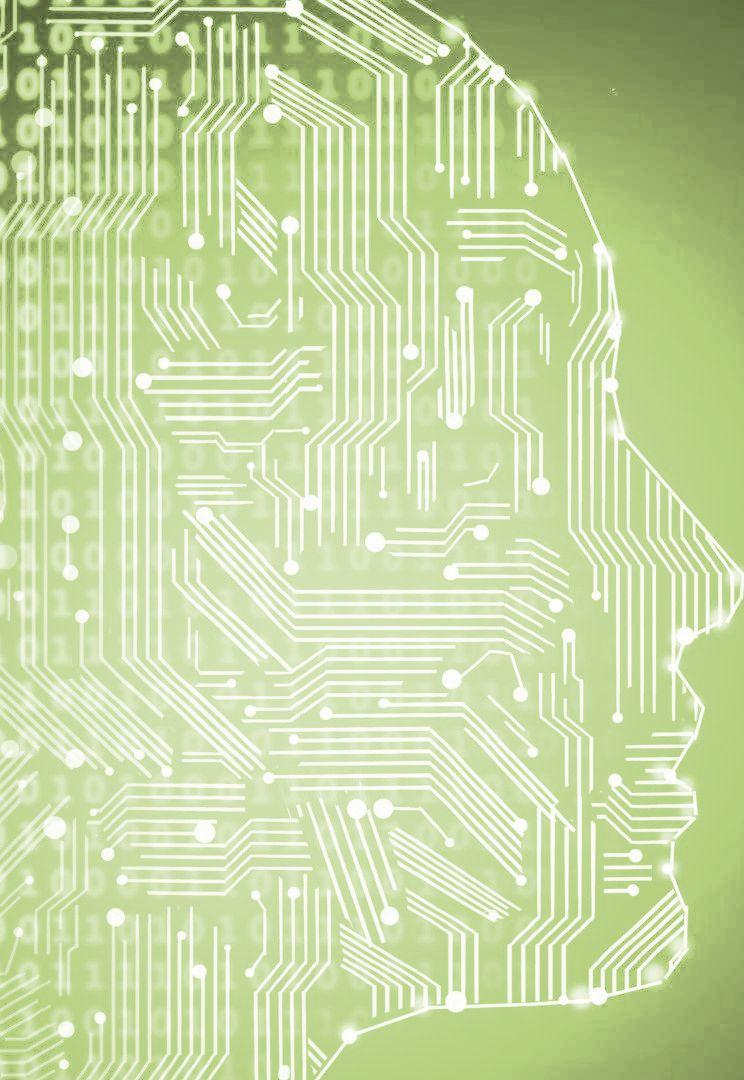
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# Introduction

- Who am I?
- Interest in this topic?
- Why this style of project?
- Any additions made beyond the model?
- Objective?



```
tgt_net = DQN(env.observation_space.shape, env.action_space.n).to(device)
writer = SummaryWriter(comment=f"-{env_name}-{model_comment}")
print(net)

# Experience replay buffer and agent
buffer = ExperienceBuffer(config["REPLAY_SIZE"])
agent = Agent(env, buffer)
epsilon = config["EPSILON_START"]

# Optimizer setup
optimizer = optim.Adam(net.parameters(), lr=config["LEARNING_RATE"])
total_rewards = []
frame_idx = 0
ts_frame = 0
ts = time.time()
best_m_reward = None

if USE_DOUBLE_DQN:
    model_name = "Double_DQN"
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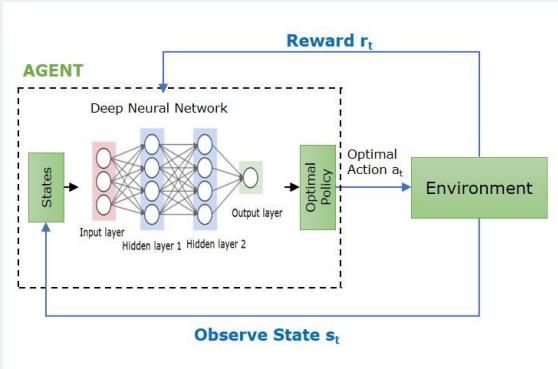
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# Objective

To simply compare and contrast DQN and Double DQN via experiments on two different games with varying complexities. Small changes to hyperparameters was the main focus, with observations on how they affected each variant, positively or negatively.

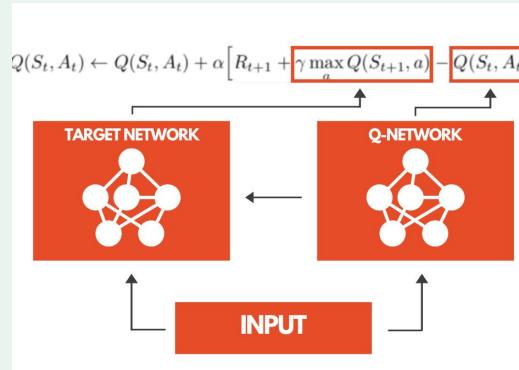
# Models

Selected a variant of DQN to compare.



## Deep Q-Network (DQN)

Original network, where Q states are calculated using a single online network, which is prone to overestimation and instability.



## Double Deep Q-Network

Corrects DQN's over estimated q states by decoupling actions and evaluation. It also removes maximization bias due to these two networks, leading to more stable data

## Comparison:

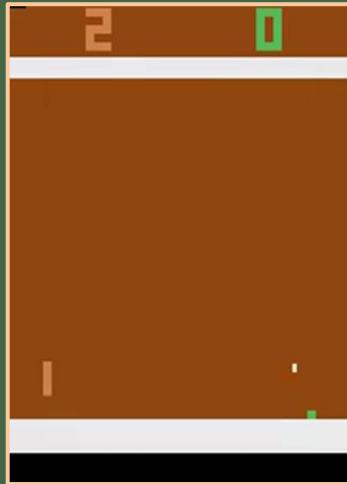
- Stability
- Learning Ability Across Environments
- Convergence capability
- Sensitivity to Hyperparameter changes
- Benefits due to said hyperparameter changes

# Domains



## Game: Pong-v5

Simple game requiring the model to learn how to not only prevent the ball from hitting their side but also deflect it to score a point



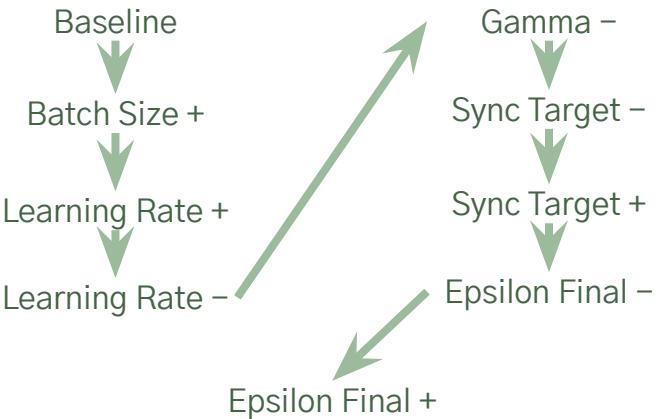
## Game: Breakout-v5

Similar to pong, but more spardict due to ball's movement on broken blocks.  
This game was selected to add challenge.



# Hyper Parameters

During the experiments extra effort was put into helping the two models learn more efficiently and less sporadically. Though it was much harder to find agreeable changes that benefited mutually.



# Parameters Used

Version	Timestamp	Mean Reward Bound	Gamma	Batch Size	Replay Size	Learning Rate	Sync Target Frames	Replay Start Size	Save Epsilon	Epsilon Decay Last Frame	Epsilon Start	Epsilon Final	Notes
0	2025-11-24 07:20:24	19	0.99	32	10000	0.0001	1000	10000	0.5	150000	1	0.01	Baseline run
1	2025-11-24 08:46:48	19	0.99	64	10000	0.0001	1000	10000	0.5	150000	1	0.01	Increased stability, try to help the GPU
2	2025-11-24 10:56:18	19	0.99	32	10000	0.0002	1000	10000	0.5	150000	1	0.01	Increased Learning rate to encourage more aggressive learning
3	2025-11-24 15:07:35	19	0.99	32	10000	7e-05	1000	10000	0.5	150000	1	0.01	Decreased Learning rate to encourage more stable learning
4	2025-11-24 21:33:35	19	0.97	32	10000	0.0001	1000	10000	0.5	150000	1	0.01	Decreased gamma to prioritise more immediate rewards
5	2025-11-24 22:59:08	19	0.99	32	10000	0.0001	500	10000	0.5	150000	1	0.01	Decreased sync target frames to encourage more frequent updates
6	2025-11-25 05:17:38	19	0.99	32	10000	0.0001	1500	10000	0.5	150000	1	0.01	Increased sync target frames to encourage less frequent and more stable updates
7	2025-11-25 09:21:56	19	0.99	32	10000	0.0001	1000	10000	0.5	150000	1	0.005	Decrease epsilon final to make the agent greedier and less random
8	2025-11-25 10:46:36	19	0.99	32	10000	0.0001	1000	10000	0.5	150000	1	0.02	Increase epsilon final to make the agent less greedy and more random

# Testing

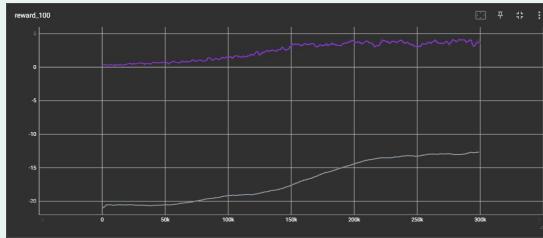
In the following page there will be a lot of data pertaining to Pong's learning process, we'll focus on:

- Benefits
- Losses
- Pitfalls
- The instability of the stable double-DQN

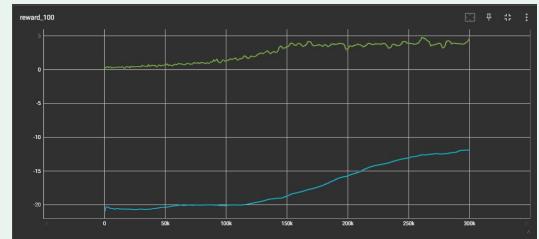
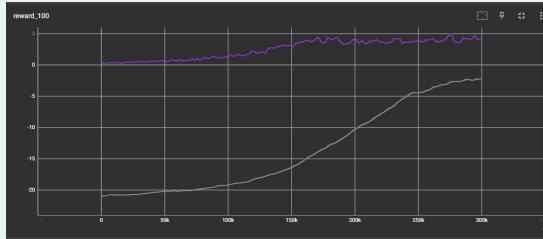
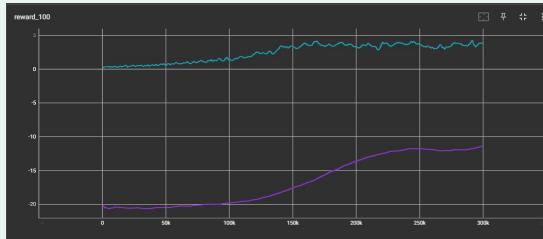
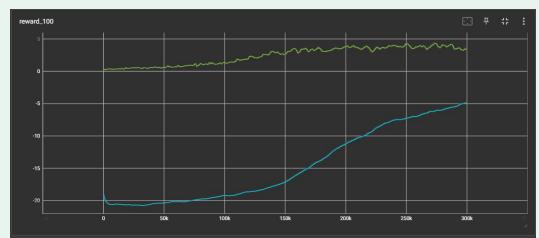
## Curve Graph Comparison

Showing key curve graphs, with the most interesting information

DQN



Double DQN



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Frame Index	model_name	Finished Games	Reward	Epsilon	Speed (f/s)	Elapsed Time (min)	timestamp
194	DQN	1	-21	0.998707	391.363	0.00822846	2025-11-24 07:20:25
4969	DQN	23	-20.4783	0.966873	405.314	0.239127	2025-11-24 07:20:39
74099	DQN	301	-19.97	0.506007	142.369	7.85781	2025-11-24 07:28:16
89857	DQN	351	-19.45	0.400953	140.955	9.70577	2025-11-24 07:30:07
120623	DQN	430	-18.92	0.195847	137.83	13.3607	2025-11-24 07:33:46
133516	DQN	457	-18.41	0.109893	137.586	14.9107	2025-11-24 07:35:19
144804	DQN	477	-17.89	0.03464	137.29	16.2808	2025-11-24 07:36:41
152931	DQN	489	-17.31	0.01	135.987	17.2679	2025-11-24 07:37:40
159799	DQN	499	-16.8	0.01	137.484	18.1032	2025-11-24 07:38:30
168960	DQN	513	-16.28	0.01	138.607	19.2154	2025-11-24 07:39:37
175891	DQN	523	-15.78	0.01	136.143	20.0627	2025-11-24 07:40:28
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194730	DQN	548	-14.67	0.01	137.507	22.363	2025-11-24 07:42:46
204709	DQN	561	-14.12	0.01	136.544	23.5859	2025-11-24 07:43:59
215974	DQN	576	-13.61	0.01	138.854	24.9584	2025-11-24 07:45:22
254909	DQN	625	-13.06	0.01	136.345	29.6918	2025-11-24 07:50:06
249	Double DQN	1	-19	0.99834	377.123	0.0109711	2025-11-24 07:55:38
126678	Double DQN	444	-18.46	0.15548	130.01	15.0331	2025-11-24 08:10:39
136387	Double DQN	463	-17.95	0.0907533	128.879	16.2983	2025-11-24 08:11:55
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160704	Double DQN	497	-15.73	0.01	124.289	19.5559	2025-11-24 08:15:11
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176117	Double DQN	515	-13.96	0.01	124.67	21.6482	2025-11-24 08:17:16
181340	Double DQN	521	-13.39	0.01	124.697	22.3422	2025-11-24 08:17:58
185585	Double DQN	526	-12.83	0.01	125.726	22.907	2025-11-24 08:18:32
188677	Double DQN	530	-12.25	0.01	108.12	23.344	2025-11-24 08:18:58
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130175	DQN	438	-17.56	0.132167	97.2848	18.0522	2025-11-24 09:10:04
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144516	DQN	463	-16.52	0.036356	96.99	20.4849	2025-11-24 09:12:30
151063	DQN	473	-15.99	0.01	88.5635	21.6198	2025-11-24 09:13:38
159526	DQN	486	-15.48	0.01	108.009	23.075	2025-11-24 09:15:05
167856	DQN	496	-14.97	0.01	108.131	24.3649	2025-11-24 09:16:23
177248	DQN	508	-14.44	0.01	105.828	25.8209	2025-11-24 09:17:50
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192463	DQN	527	-13.35	0.01	107.029	28.1999	2025-11-24 09:20:13
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210201	DQN	549	-12.31	0.01	107.339	30.9487	2025-11-24 09:22:58
219762	DQN	561	-11.79	0.01	107.82	32.4306	2025-11-24 09:24:27
226932	DQN	570	-11.27	0.01	107.643	33.5483	2025-11-24 09:25:34
236007	DQN	580	-10.75	0.01	106.976	34.9717	2025-11-24 09:26:59
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151861	DQN	492	-17.36	0.01	62.9092	28.7079	2025-11-24 11:26:55
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186987	DQN	535	-14.52	0.01	74.6161	37.0475	2025-11-24 11:35:55
193865	DQN	543	-14.01	0.01	74.6927	38.5858	2025-11-24 11:36:48
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232	Double DQN	1	-21	0.998453	333.889	0.0115474	2025-11-24 12:03:35

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72966	DQN	310	-19.98	0.51356	70.4083	14.2218	2025-11-24 15:22:31
105711	DQN	415	-19.47	0.29526	65.3976	21.8887	2025-11-24 15:30:11
122817	DQN	463	-18.95	0.18122	126.126	25.8162	2025-11-24 15:34:06
134167	DQN	489	-18.44	0.105553	129.954	27.2892	2025-11-24 15:35:35
148912	DQN	519	-17.89	0.01	128.222	29.1924	2025-11-24 15:37:29
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261223	DQN	672	-11.32	0.01	128.915	43.7344	2025-11-24 15:52:02
273976	DQN	687	-10.73	0.01	129.878	45.3806	2025-11-24 15:53:40
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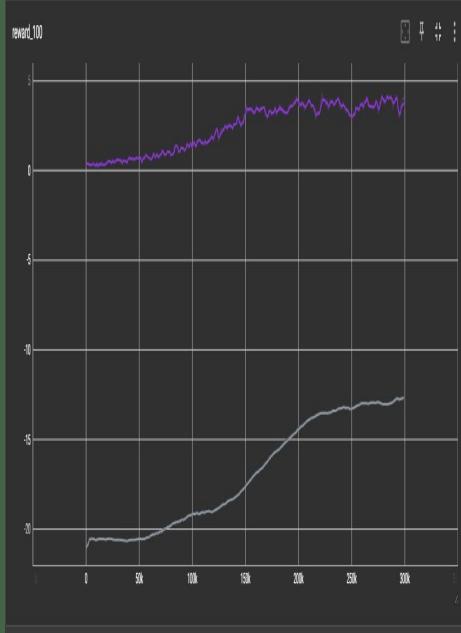
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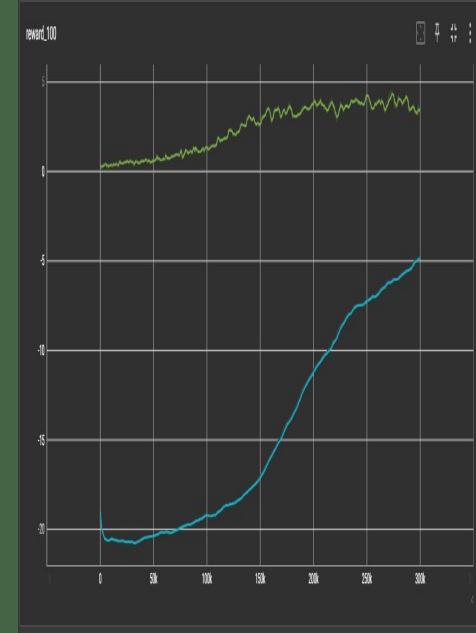
# Results

- DQN's innate instability and ease of adjustment
- Double-DQN's stability, but sensitivity and difficulty improving
  - Wants more data
  - Better suited for this use
- Notable: Double-DQN still learned on configuration 2, but only on breakout



DQN Baseline

Worse off on initial settings,  
comes down to a plateau after  
the 150,000 frame mark



Double-DQN Baseline

Exponential learning, began to  
learn more after the 150,000  
mark.

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# Conclusion

It is important to examine a model's sensitivity and capability when it comes to changes to hyperparameters. It allows one to understand their strengths and weaknesses, and ultimately their place in this changing field.

- Key Takeaway?
- What the results mean
  - Preference for newer variants of DQN
- The specific importance

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# Future Research



If I had more time:

- Run till convergence for each hyperparameter
- Implement Prioritized Replay
- Organize everything more similarly