Report Project 1 Navigation Project

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REPORT PROJECT 1 NAVIGATION ENVIRONMENT

Description of the Banana Navigation Environment

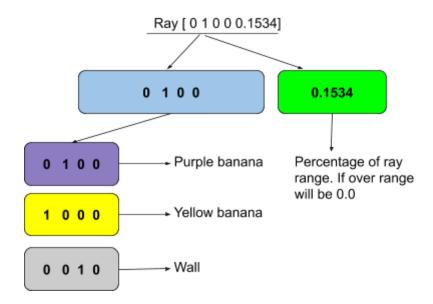
Number of Agent: 1 and moving the planar environment to collect the banana.

Observation: A set of 37 measurement ranges and kinds of objects in the environment.

Action: 4 action [0, 1, 2, 3] with [Move forward, Move Backward, Turn Left, Turn Right]

Reward: +1 when Agent get Yellow Banana and -1 when get Purple Banana

Detail in Observations: 7 ray perceptions with each ray include 5 entries (35 values) and 2 Value agent's velocity



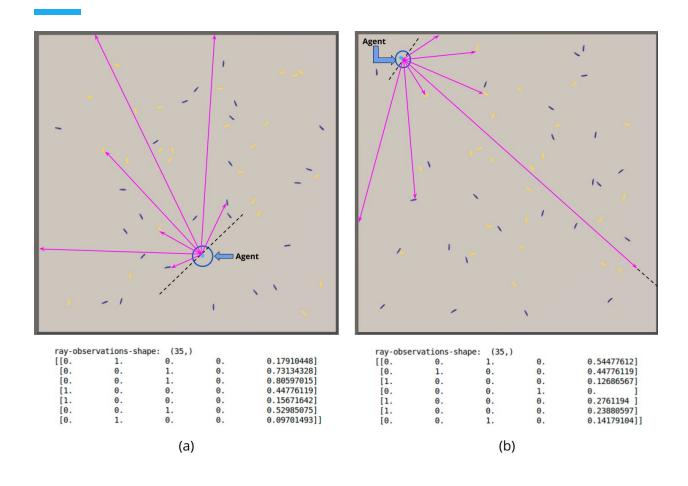
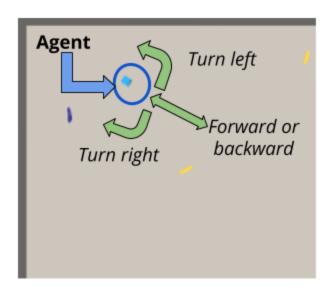


Figure 2. Agent ray-perceptions. a) 7 rays reaching at least one object (banana or wall). b) One ray reaching the max. length before reaching any object (Source)

Detail in Actions:

- Action 0: Move forward.
- Action 1: Move backward.
- Action 2: Turn left.
- Action 3: Turn right.



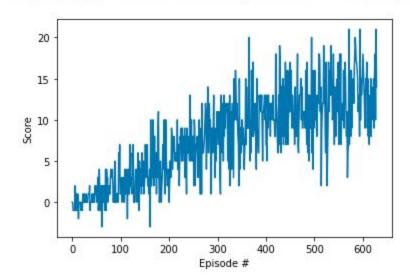
Result: The best result is an environment solved in 529 episodes and get the average score 13.0. All parameters will list below.

Experiment 1. Natural DQN

n_episode	max_t	eps_start	eps_end	eps_decay	Buffer_Size	Batch Size
2000	1000	1.0	0.01	0.995	1e5	100
Gamma	Tau	Learning Rate	Update time	Q_network (fc1)	Q_network (fc2)	Q_network (fc3)
0.98	1e-3	5e-4	4	64	64	64

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Episode 100 Average Score: 0.89
Episode 200 Average Score: 3.39
Episode 300 Average Score: 6.65
Episode 400 Average Score: 9.45
Episode 500 Average Score: 10.92
Episode 600 Average Score: 12.60
Episode 629 Average Score: 13.00
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Environment solved in 529 episodes! Average Score: 13.00

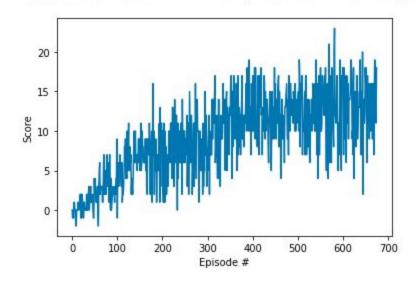


Experiment 2. Natural DQN. Twisting max_t

n_episode	max_t	eps_start	eps_end	eps_decay	Buffer_Size	Batch Size
2000	3000	1.0	0.01	0.995	1e5	100
Gamma	Tau	Learning Rate	Update time	Q_network (fc1)	Q_network (fc2)	Q_network (fc3)
0.98	1e-3	5e-4	4	64	64	64

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Episode 100 Average Score: 1.74
Episode 200 Average Score: 6.32
Episode 300 Average Score: 7.85
Episode 400 Average Score: 11.11
Episode 500 Average Score: 12.23
Episode 600 Average Score: 12.56
Episode 675 Average Score: 13.05
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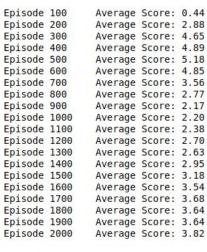
Environment solved in 575 episodes! Average Score: 13.05

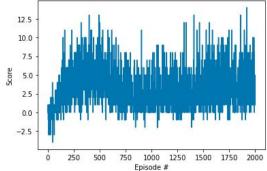


We check other Experiments to check behavior of the Q network dimension, and gamma parameter.

Experiment 3. Natural DQN. Twisting Neural Hidden Layer

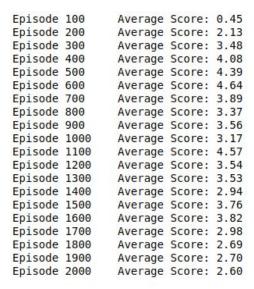
n_episode	max_t	eps_start	eps_end	eps_decay	Buffer_Size	Batch Size
2000	1000	1.0	0.01	0.995	1e5	100
Gamma	Tau	Learning Rate	Update time	Q_network (fc1)	Q_network (fc2)	Q_network (fc3)
0.98	1e-3	5e-4	4	512	512	512

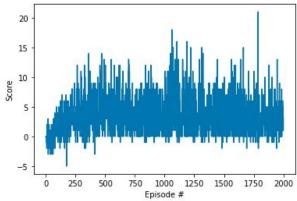




Experiment 4. Natural DQN. Twisting Gamma(Discount rate)

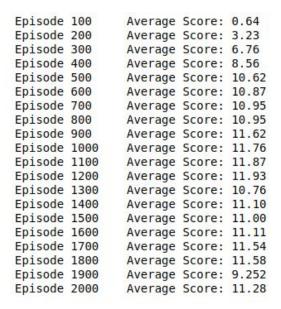
n_episode	max_t	eps_start	eps_end	eps_decay	Buffer_Size	Batch Size
2000	1000	1.0	0.01	0.995	1e5	100
Gamma	Tau	Learning Rate	Update time	Q_network (fc1)	Q_network (fc2)	Q_network (fc3)

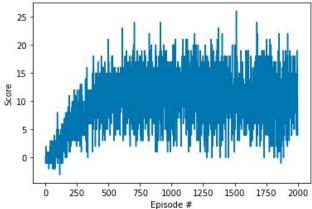




Experiment 5. Natural DQN. Increase Gamma(Discount rate)

n_episode	max_t	eps_start	eps_end	eps_decay	Buffer_Size	Batch Size
2000	1000	1.0	0.01	0.995	1e5	100
Gamma	Tau	Learning Rate	Update time	Q_network (fc1)	Q_network (fc2)	Q_network (fc3)
0.99	1e-3	5e-4	4	64	64	64





Discussion: Some hyperparameters most effective to the DQN Algorithms are: Gamma (discount rate) if the discount rate =0.99 the agent does not get a good result and most depending all the future reward, so the score increases slowly. Otherwise, if the discount rate gamma =0.8 the agent does not get the high scores, may be declined for all of time learning. The best option of the gamma is 0.98. The structure of the DQN network also affects the rewards of the agent, when we increase the number of nodes from 64 to 512, the result is worse. We can do more experiments to get the best result.