



Deep Learning (Homework 3)

Due date: 2022/6/3 23:55:00 (Hard Deadline)

1 Generative adversarial network (50%)

In this exercise, you will implement a Deep Convolutional Generative Network (DCGAN) [1] to synthesis images by using the provided **anime faces dataset**.



1. Construct a DCGAN with GAN objective, you can refer to the tutorial website provided by PyTorch for implementation.

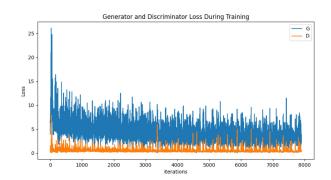
$$\max_{D} \mathcal{L}(D) = \mathbb{E}_{\boldsymbol{x} \sim p_{\text{data}}} \log D(\boldsymbol{x}) + \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p_{\boldsymbol{z}}} \log(1 - D(G(\boldsymbol{z})))$$

$$\min_{G} \mathcal{L}(G) = \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p_{\boldsymbol{x}}} \log(1 - D(G(\boldsymbol{z})))$$

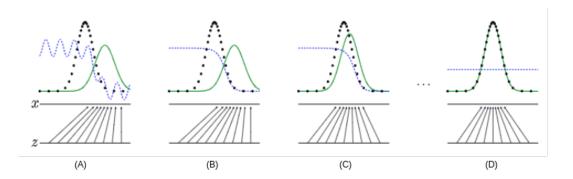
- (a) **Describe** how you preprocess the dataset (such as resize, crop, rotate and flip) and **explain** why. (5%)
- (b) **Plot** the learning curves for both generator and discriminator. (15%)
- (c) **Draw** some samples generated from your generator at different training stages. For example, you may show the results when running at 5th and final epoch. (10%)







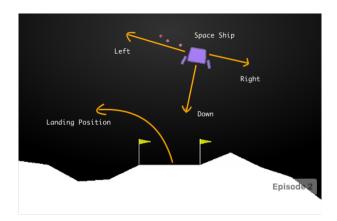
- 2. Please **answer** the following questions in your submission report, you can refer to the paper to answer these questions. (**Note**: If your answer is more complete and precise, you will receive a higher score.)
 - (a) Please **describe** the meaning of the following four pictures during training of GAN, where blue dashed line indicates the discriminator, green solid line indicates the generator. The answer should include the following: (**Note**: Each step should be discussed.)(10%)
 - what is the meaning of black dashed line, x and z
 - which step is to train the generator or discriminator and show the corresponding objective function
 - why D(x) equals to $\frac{1}{2}$ in ideal case when the training is finished



- (b) The Helvetica Scenario often happens during training procedure of GAN. Please explain why this problem occurs and how to avoid it. (5%)
- (c) Both VAE and GAN are generative models. The following figures are random generated results by using VAE (left) and GAN (right). Please compare two results and describe the pros and cons of two models. (5%) (Hint: You can compare the loss function and training method using these two models.)



2 Reinforcement Learning (50%)



In first section, you need to clearly know the meaning of state value $V_{\pi}(s)$ and state-action value $Q_{\pi}(s, a)$ in reinforcement learning. Then you will implement Deep Q Learning (DQN) [2] algorithm to approximate the actual Q value. In second section, you will design a stochastic policy and implement Proximal Policy Optimization (PPO) [3] algorithm to learn the RL agent. In addition, you also need to know how to collect and use trajectories from RL environment.

$$V_{\pi}(s) = \mathbb{E}_{\pi} \left[\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \gamma^{k} R_{t+k+1} \middle| S_{t} = s \right] = \sum_{a} \pi(a \mid s) \sum_{s',r} p\left(s', r \mid s, a\right) \left[r + \gamma V_{\pi}\left(s'\right) \right]$$

$$Q_{\pi}(s, a) = \mathbb{E}_{\pi} \left[\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \gamma^{k} R_{t+k+1} \middle| S_{t} = s, A_{t} = a \right] = \sum_{s'} \sum_{r} p\left(s', r \mid s, a\right) \left[r + \gamma \sum_{a'} \pi\left(a' \mid s'\right) Q_{\pi}\left(s', a'\right) \right]$$

- 1. In this part, you need to implement the Deep Q Network algorithm to estimate the Q value on the openAI gym environment LunarLander-v2. After training, you can use the DQN agent to interact with the environment (choose the action which has the highest Q value).
 - (a) Please follow the algorithm shown below and use ϵ -greedy policy to implement the DQN. (show the result movie) (35%)
 - (b) Please choose some hyper-parameters about collecting and using trajectories and analyze how these hyper-parameters affect the training result or training time. (15%)

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Algorithm 1 Deep Q-learning with Experience Replay
   Initialize replay memory \mathcal{D} to capacity N
   Initialize action-value function Q with random weights
   for episode = 1, M do
        Initialise sequence s_1 = \{x_1\} and preprocessed sequenced \phi_1 = \phi(s_1)
        for t = 1, T do
            With probability \epsilon select a random action a_t
            otherwise select a_t = \max_a Q^*(\phi(s_t), a; \theta)
            Execute action a_t in emulator and observe reward r_t and image x_{t+1}
            Set s_{t+1} = s_t, a_t, x_{t+1} and preprocess \phi_{t+1} = \phi(s_{t+1})
            Store transition (\phi_t, a_t, r_t, \phi_{t+1}) in \mathcal{D}
            Sample random minibatch of transitions (\phi_j, a_j, r_j, \phi_{j+1}) from \mathcal{D}
            Set y_j = \begin{cases} r_j & \text{for terminal } \phi_{j+1} \\ r_j + \gamma \max_{a'} Q(\phi_{j+1}, a'; \theta) & \text{for non-terminal } \phi_{j+1} \end{cases}
            Perform a gradient descent step on (y_i - Q(\phi_i, a_i; \theta))^2 according to equation 3
        end for
   end for
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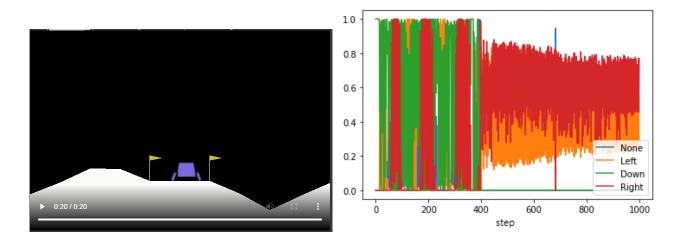
$$\begin{split} \nabla_{\theta}J(\theta) &= E_{\tau \sim p_{\theta_{old}}(a|s)} \left[\frac{p_{\theta}(a \mid s)}{p_{\theta_{old}}(a \mid s)} \; r(s, a) \nabla_{\theta} \log p_{\theta}(a \mid s) \right] \\ &= E_{\tau \sim p_{\theta_{old}}(a|s)} \left[IS(a \mid s) A(s, a) \nabla_{\theta} \log p_{\theta}(a \mid s) \right] \\ where, \; \textbf{Importance Sampling} : IS(a \mid s) &= \frac{p_{\theta}(a \mid s)}{p_{\theta_{old}}(a \mid s)}, \; \textbf{Advantage} : A(s, a) = r(s, a) \\ &= E_{\tau \sim p_{\theta_{old}}(a|s)} \left[PPO(a, s) \nabla_{\theta} \log p_{\theta}(a \mid s) \right] \\ where, \; PPO(a, s) &= \min \left\{ [IS(a \mid s) A(s, a)], [\textbf{clamp}(IS(a \mid s), 1 - \beta, 1 + \beta) A(s, a)] \right\} \\ \beta &= 0.2 \end{split}$$

In Pytorch, you can simplify to use:

$$\mathbf{Loss} = -J(\theta) = -PPO(a, s)$$

and use Loss.backward()

- 2. (Bonus) In this part, you need to implement the PPO algorithm in actor-critic style. In order to simplify the implementation steps, you can use fixed trained DQN model instead of training value function to calculate advantage A(s,a) by follow algorithm:
 - 1. Collect $\{\mathbf{s}_i, \mathbf{a}_i\}$ from $\pi_{\theta}(\mathbf{a} \mid \mathbf{s})$ to buffer.
 - 2. Sample $\{\mathbf{s}_i, \mathbf{a}_i\}$ from the buffer.
 - 3. Evaluate $\hat{A}^{\pi}(\mathbf{s}_i, \mathbf{a}_i) = r(\mathbf{s}_i, \mathbf{a}_i) + \hat{V}^{\pi}_{\phi}(\mathbf{s}'_i) \hat{V}^{\pi}_{\phi}(\mathbf{s}_i) = Q(a_i \mid s_i) mean\{Q(a \mid s_i)\}$
 - 4. Calculate PPO(a, s)
 - 5. $\theta \leftarrow \theta + \alpha \nabla_{\theta} J(\theta)$ (by setting Loss = -PPO(a, s))
 - (a) Please use stochastic policy (categorical distribution)¹ and trained DQN model from previous part to train an agent in LunarLander-v2 environment.(show the result movie) (10%)
 - (b) After training, please draw the probability-step picture for each action during testing and show below the result movie. (10%)



¹Pytorch distributions module: https://pytorch.org/docs/stable/distributions.html

3 Rule

- In your submission, you need to submit two files. And only the following file format is accepted:
 - hw3_<ProblemNumber>_<StudentID>.ipynb file which need to contain all the results, codes and reports for each exercise (e.g. hw3_1_0123456.ipynb).
- Implementation will be graded by
 - Completeness
 - Algorithm correctness
 - Description of model design
 - Discussion and analysis
- Only Python implementation is acceptable.
- DO NOT PLAGIARISM. (We will check program similarity score.)

References

- [1] Alec Radford, Luke Metz, and Soumith Chintala, "Unsupervised representation learning with deep convolutional generative adversarial networks," in *Proc. of International Conference on Learning Representations*, 2016.
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- [3] John Schulman, Filip Wolski, Prafulla Dhariwal, Alec Radford, and Oleg Klimov, "Proximal policy optimization algorithms," arXiv preprint arXiv:1707.06347, 2017.