

ANALYSIS OF REINFORCED LEARNING APPLIED TO CONNECT FOUR

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Abstract

In late 2017 DeepMind announced a groundbreaking system in a preprint [1] and the results were astonishing. The system was called AlphaZero and utilized *artificial neural networks* in order to teach itself the game chess without any proprietary knowledge, except the rules. After approximately 9 hours it was able to beat the strongest hand-crafted engines, such as Stockfish and it had learned centuries of human knowledge of chess. In this paper we aim to study the effectiveness of different *neural networks* such as the one used in AlphaZero. To be precise, we will analyze the efficiency of those networks in combination with varying *algorithms, optimizations, parameters, hyperparameters* and *architectures* applied to the classic game and variations of connect-four.

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