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Abstract

Creating a general purpose AI has been an area of research since the beginning of computers and programming. Reinforcement learning is a major step towards a general purpose AI.

This project is aimed at creating a program that can learn to make decisions in an environment that is defined by a high-dimensional input, and has sparse and time delayed rewards for these actions. Such programs can be useful in problems where decision must be made based on high dimensional sensory input such as camera feed. This project uses Q-learning algorithm to assign a quality value to each action in a state of the environment.

Atari games are used to demonstrate this approach, by training the program to play breakout game for upto 50 epochs and observing performance improvement. The trained neural network was saved and tested at the end of every epoch. The performance parameters like average q-value, average reward, games per epoch were also saved. The performance parameters showed a clear rise in performance for breakout (50 epochs) and space invaders (8 epochs).

The project has applications in the field of IOT, security, gaming, stock market analysis and traffic control systems. Any system that can be modelled as an environment with actions and rewards can be trained using this algorithm.

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Abbreviations

REST Representational State Transfer

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