Actor-Critic Algorithms

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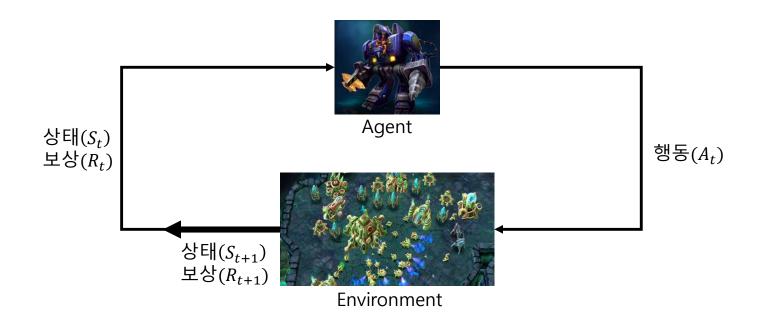
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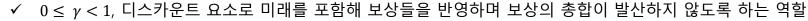
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Reinforcement Learning

❖ 환경과 상호작용하며 목표를 달성하는 에이전트를 다루는 학습 방법





Reinforcement Learning

- - $\pi(a|s)$ 는 에이전트의 행동 함수로써 상태(s)에서 취할 행동(a)을 알려줌



Elements of RL

- ❖ 정책(Policy) $\pi(a|s)$
 - 주어진 상태에 대해 행동을 결정하는 역할

- ❖ 가치 함수(Value Function) $v_{\pi}(s)$, $q_{\pi}(s,a)$
 - 미래 보상의 총합

Value Function

❖ 상태 가치 함수(State-Value Function)

•
$$v_{\pi}(s) = E_{\pi}[G_t|S_t = s]$$

$$= E_{\pi}[R_{t+1} + \gamma G_{t+1}|S_t = s]$$

$$= E_{\pi}[R_{t+1} + \gamma v_{\pi}(S_{t+1})|S_t = s]$$

$$= \sum_{a} \pi(a|s) \sum_{s',r} p(s',r|s,a)[r + \gamma v_{\pi}(s')]$$

❖ 행동 가치 함수(Action-Value Function)

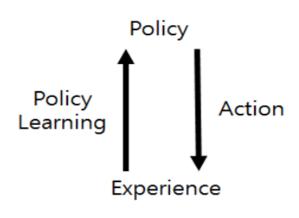
•
$$q_{\pi}(s, a) = E_{\pi}[G_t|S_t = s, A_t = a]$$

 $= E_{\pi}[R_{t+1} + \gamma v_{\pi}(S_{t+1})|S_t = s, A_t = a]$
 $= \sum_{s'r} p(s', r|s, a)[r + \gamma v_{\pi}(s')]$

Q-Leaning

❖ Q-함수(Q Function)

- $Q(s_t, a_t) \leftarrow Q(s_t, a_t) + \alpha [R_{t+1} + \gamma \max_{a} Q(s_{t+1}, a) Q(s_t, a_t)]$
- 에이전트는 특정 상태(s)에서 자신이 취할 수 있는 행동(a) 중 이득이 되는 방향으로 학습하는 방법

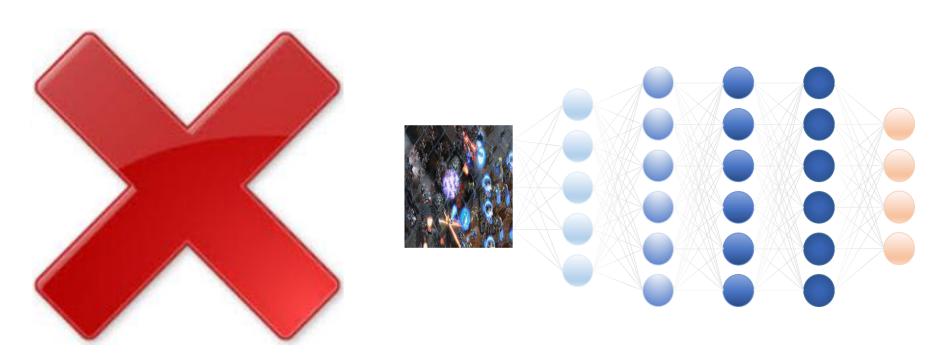




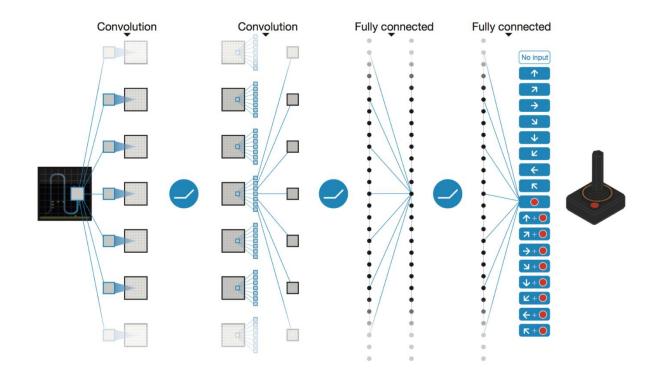


❖ 아이디어

- 딥 러닝을 이용한 강화학습
- Q-table에 저장하지 않고 상태(s)와 행동(a)을 입력으로 하여 보상(r) 출력



- Deep Q-Network(DQN)
 - 상태(s)를 입력으로 여러 개의 Q값을 출력으로 하여 가장 큰 Q값에 대응하는 행동(a)
 를 선택





Issues

- 순차적인 상태(s) 데이터 간의 높은 상관관계(Correlation between samples)
- Target y값이 움직이는 현상(Non-stationary targets)

Solutions

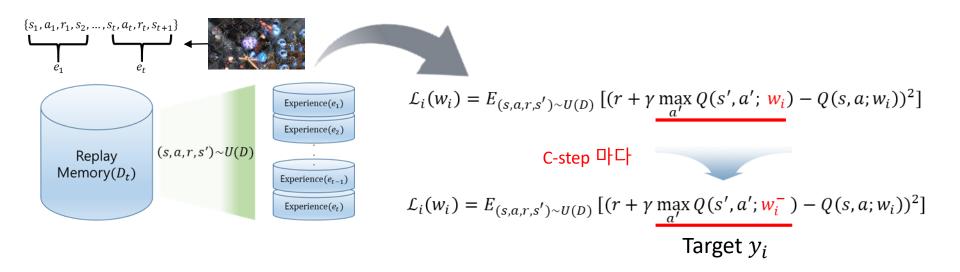
- Experience replay(Replay memory)
- Fixed Q-targets

Experience Replay & Fixed Q-target



- w_i^- 는 매 C Step마다 w_i 로 업데이트(논문에서 C=10000 설정)
- C번의 Iteration동안 Q-Learning 업데이트 시 Target 움직임 방지

$$\nabla_{w_i} \mathcal{L}(w_i) = E[(r + \gamma \max_{a'} Q(s', a', w_{i-1}) - Q(s, a, w_i)) \nabla_{w_i} Q(s, a, w_i)]$$



❖ 단점

- Replay Memory 사용 → 많은 메모리의 사용
- 느린 학습 속도
- 불안정한 학습 과정
- Starcraft II와 같은 수 많은 상태(s)와 행동(a)가 존재하는 게임에는 학습이 어려움

Asynchronous Advantage Actor-Critic(A3C)

- 데이터 사이의 상관관계를 비동기적 업데이트로 해결(Asynchronous)
- 빠른 학습 속도
- Replay Memory를 사용하지 않고, Policy Gradient 알고리즘을 더함
- Starcraft II와 같은 게임에서 학습이 잘 되는 장점



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❖ Policy Gradient

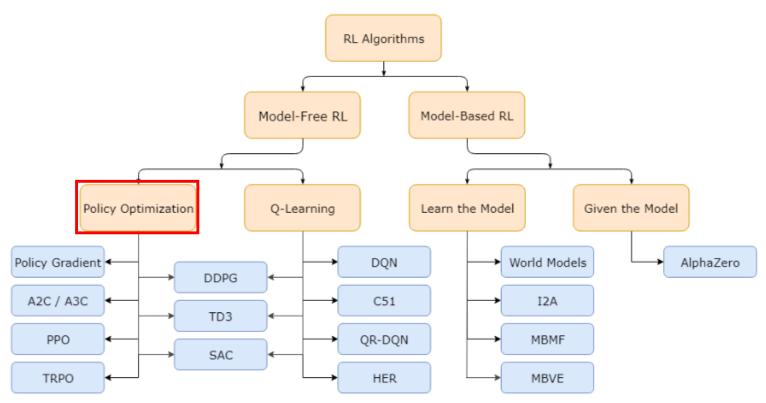
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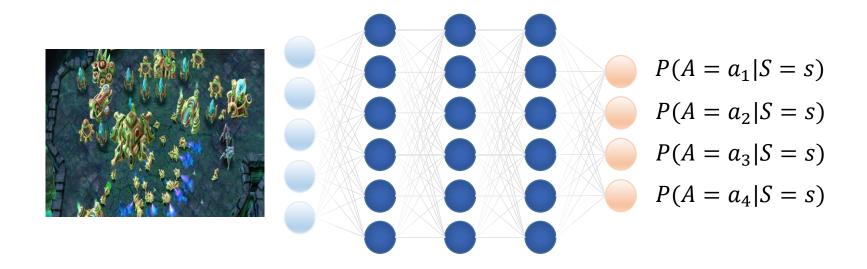
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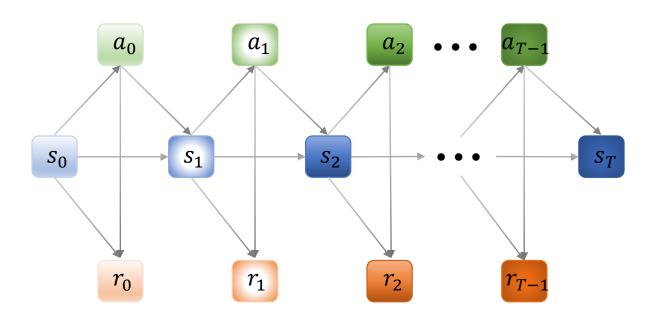
- Policy Gradient
 - 파라미터 θ 에 대한 정책(Policy) $\pi(a|s;\theta)$ 를 직접 학습



Policy Gradient Algorithms

❖ REINFORCE

- Episode(τ) = s_0 , a_0 , r_1 , s_1 , a_1 , r_2 , s_2 , ..., s_T
- $J(\theta) = E[\sum_{t=0}^{T-1} r_{t+1} | \pi_{\theta}] = E[r_1 + r_2 + r_3 + \dots + r_{\tau} | \pi_{\theta}]$



Policy Gradient Algorithms

❖ REINFORCE



- $\theta' = \theta + \alpha \nabla_{\theta} J(\theta)$, $\nabla_{\theta} J(\theta) = \text{Policy Gradient}$

$$\nabla_{\theta} E[\sum_{t=0}^{T-1} r_{t+1} | \pi_{\theta}] = E_{\tau} \nabla_{\theta} [\sum_{t=0}^{T-1} log \pi_{\theta}(a_{t} | s_{t}) r_{t+1}]$$

$$pprox E_{\tau}[\nabla_{\theta} \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} log \pi_{\theta}(a_t|s_t)G_t],$$

where
$$G_t = \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \gamma^t r_{t+1} = r_{t+1} + \gamma r_{t+2} + \gamma^2 r_{t+3} + \dots + \gamma^{T-1} r_T$$

Discounted $G_t \rightarrow$ 단순 보상의 합 발산 방지



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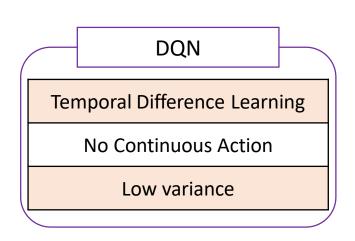
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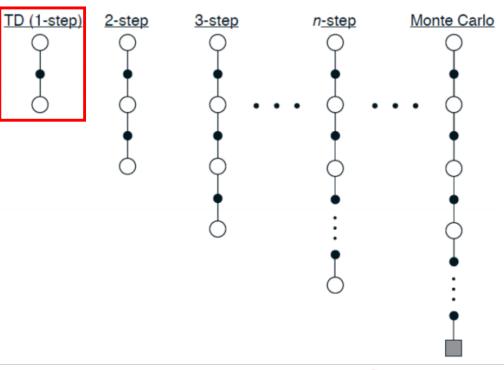
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❖ DQN

- TD: Epsiode(S, A, R, Update, S, A, R, Update, S, A, R, Update, S, A, R, Terminate, Update)
 - → Low Variance, High Bias
- Continuous Action 학습이 어려움

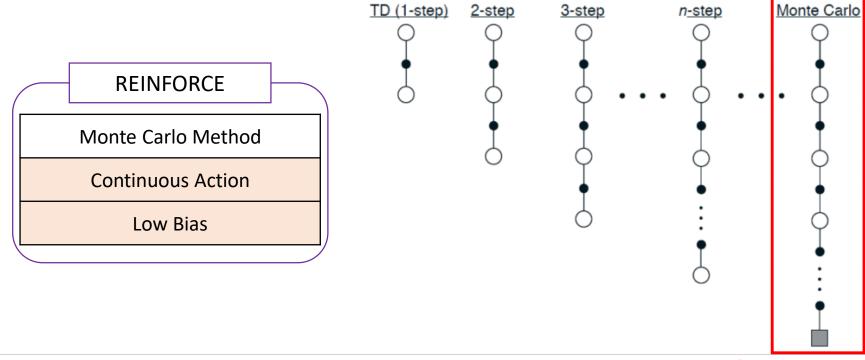




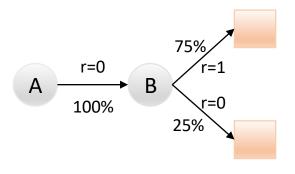


❖ REINFORCE

- MC : Episode(S, A, R, S, A, R, S, A, R, S, A, R, Terminate, Update) → High Variance, Low Bias
- Continuous Action 학습 가능



- MC Method vs TD Learning
 - Example
 - 상태(A, B) ; *γ* = 1 ; 1-Step



$$TD(0): V(A) = V(A) + 1 * (0 + 1 * V(B) - V(A)) = 3/4$$

 $MC: V(A) = V(A) + 1 * (G(A) - V(A)) = 0$

A에서 B로 100%의 확률로 전이되므로 V(A)=V(B)
 임을 알 수 있지만 MC는 하나의 에피소드 단위로
 만 학습되기 때문에 이를 반영하지 못함

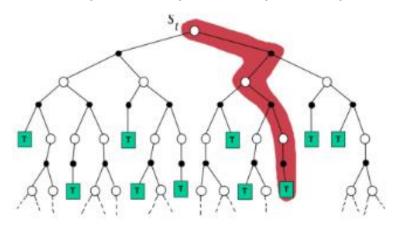
MC Method vs TD Learning



- MC Method는 Episode 단위로 학습 → High Variance, Low Bias
- TD Learning은 Episode내의 1-Step 단위로 학습 → Low Variance, high Bias

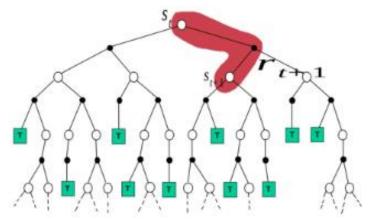
Monte Carlo Method

$$V(s_t) \leftarrow V(s_t) + \alpha [R_t - V(s_t)]$$



Temporal Difference Learning

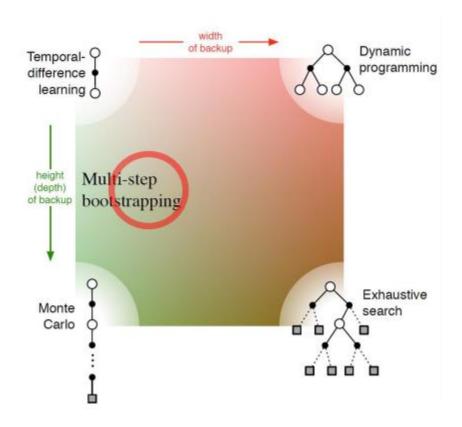
$$V(s_t) \leftarrow V(s_t) + \alpha[r_{t+1} + \gamma V(s_{t+1}) - V(s_t)]$$



출처: https://www.slideshare.net/carpedm20/reinforcement-learning-an-introduction-64037079

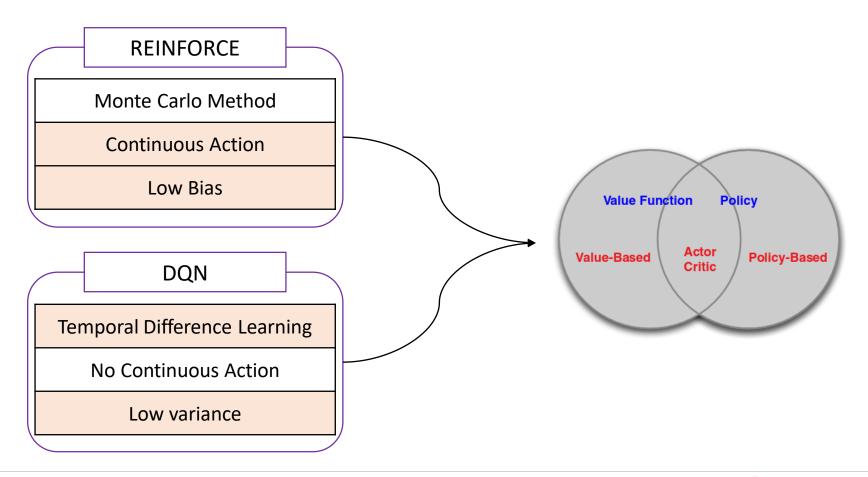


- Multi-Step Bootstrapping
 - 1-Step TD Learning과 Episode단위로 학습하는 MC Method의 중간지점
 - 최선의 지점



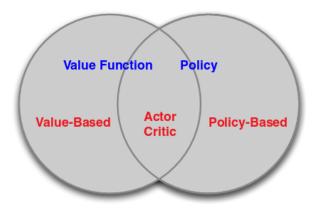
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■ REINFORCE의 장점과 DQN 장점의 조합



❖ Actor-Critic

- Value-Based & Policy-Based
- Actor : Policy Network & Critic : Value Network



$$\begin{split} E_{\tau}[\nabla_{\theta} \sum\nolimits_{t=0}^{T-1} log \pi_{\theta}(a_{t}|s_{t})G_{t}] &\approx \sum\nolimits_{t=0}^{T-1} E_{s_{o},a_{0},\dots,s_{t},a_{t}}[\nabla_{\theta} log \pi_{\theta}(a_{t}|s_{t})] E_{r_{t+1},s_{t+1},\dots,s_{T},r_{T}}[G_{t}] \\ &= \sum\nolimits_{t=0}^{T-1} E_{s_{o},a_{0},\dots,s_{t},a_{t}}[\nabla_{\theta} log \pi_{\theta}(a_{t}|s_{t})] Q_{\pi_{\theta}}(s_{t},a_{t}) \end{split}$$

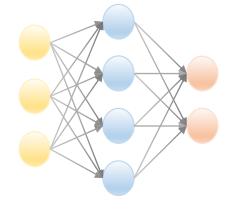


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- Actor : Policy Network & Critic : Value Network
- $Q(s_t, a_t) \sim Q_v(s_t, a_t)$ 이용

Actor

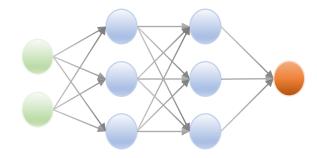




■ Policy Network에서 Action을 선택

Critic





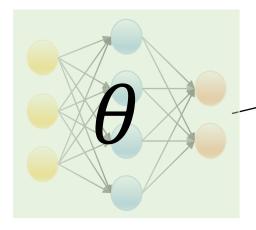
■ 선택된 Action을 평가하는 역할

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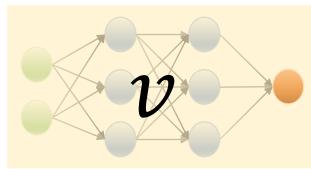


 $\theta \leftarrow \theta + \alpha \nabla_{\theta} \log \pi_{\theta}(a_t | s_t) (Q_v(s_t, a_t))$

 $v \leftarrow v + \beta \big(r_{t+1} + \gamma \, Q_v(s_{t+1}, a_{t+1}) - Q_v(s_t, a_t)\big) \nabla_v Q_v(s_t, a_t)$

Critic





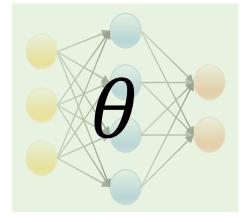


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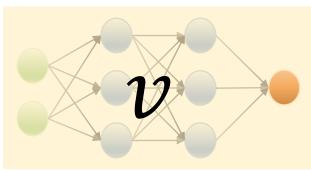


 $\theta \leftarrow \theta + \nabla_{\theta} \log \pi_{\theta}(a_t | s_t) (r_{t+1} + \gamma Q_v(s_{t+1}, a_{t+1}) - Q_v(s_t, a_t))$ score

- Critic에서 파라미터 v를 업데이트
- Critic이 제안하는 방향으로 θ를 업데이트

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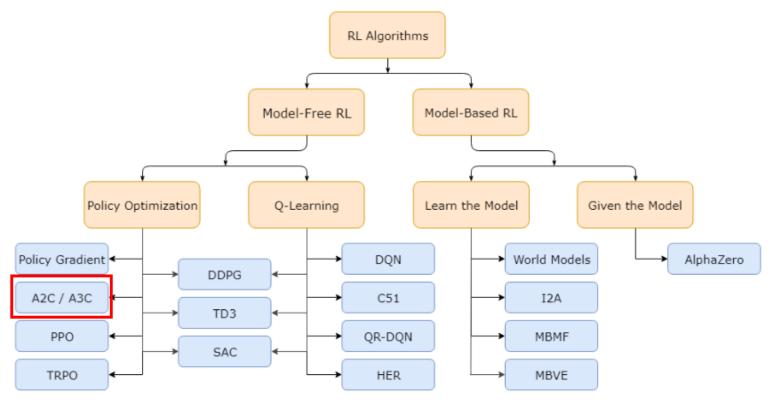
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Asynchronous Methods for Deep Reinforcement Learning

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Abstract

We propose a conceptually simple and lightweight framework for deep reinforcement learning that uses asynchronous gradient descent for optimization of deep neural network controllers. We present asynchronous variants of four standard reinforcement learning algorithms and show that parallel actor-learners have a stabilizing effect on training allowing all four methods to successfully train neural network controllers. The best performing method, an asynchronous variant of actor-critic, surpasses the current state-of-the-art on the Atari domain while training for half the time on a single multi-core CPU instead of a GPU. Furthermore, we show that asynchronous actor-critic succeeds on a wide variety of continuous motor control problems as well as on a new task of navigating random 3D mazes using a visual input.

line RL updates are strongly correlated. By storing the agent's data in an experience replay memory, the data can be batched (Riedmiller, 2005; Schulman et al., 2015a) or randomly sampled (Mnih et al., 2013; 2015; Van Hasselt et al., 2015) from different time-steps. Aggregating over memory in this way reduces non-stationarity and decorrelates updates, but at the same time limits the methods to off-policy reinforcement learning algorithms.

Deep RL algorithms based on experience replay have achieved unprecedented success in challenging domains such as Atari 2600. However, experience replay has several drawbacks: it uses more memory and computation per real interaction; and it requires off-policy learning algorithms that can update from data generated by an older policy.

In this paper we provide a very different paradigm for deep reinforcement learning. Instead of experience replay, we asynchronously execute multiple agents in parallel, on multiple instances of the environment. This parallelism also decorrelates the agents' data into a more stationary process,

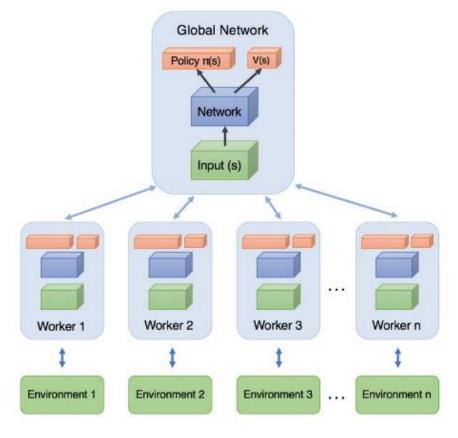


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 - 다수의 Actor-Critic
 - Advantage : A = Q(s, a) V(s)
 - Multi-Core CPU



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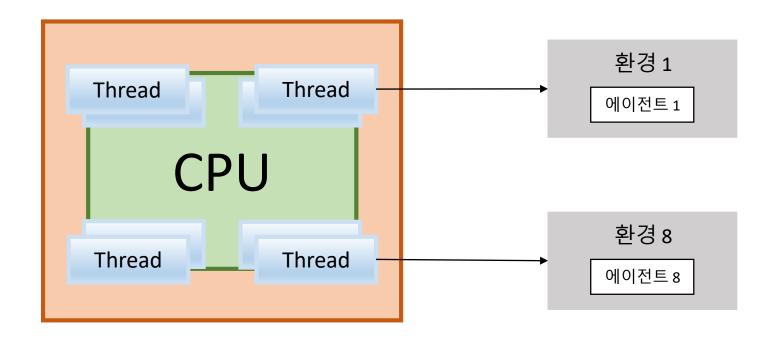
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 - Advantage Estimate : A = R V(s), where $R = r + \gamma V(s')$

Actor-Critic $\theta \leftarrow \theta + \nabla_{\theta} log \pi_{\theta}(a_{t}|s_{t}) \big(r_{t+1} + \gamma Q_{v}(s_{t+1}, a_{t+1}) - Q_{v}(s_{t}, a_{t}) \big)$ $\theta \leftarrow \theta + \nabla_{\theta} log \pi_{\theta}(a_{t}|s_{t}) \big(r_{t+1} + \gamma V_{v}(s_{t+1}) - V_{v}(s_{t}) \big)$



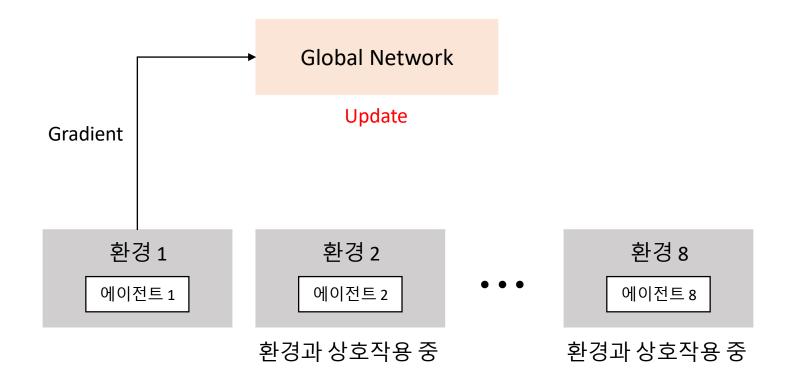
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 - Multi-Core CPU
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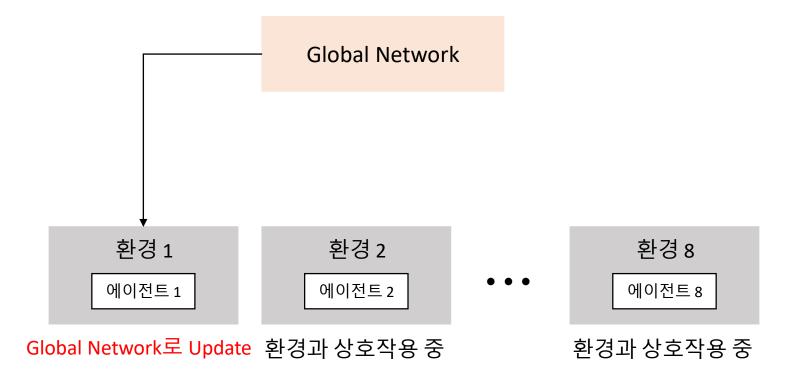
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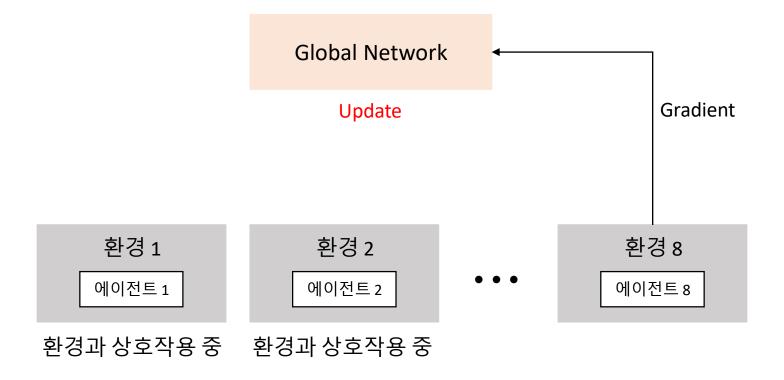




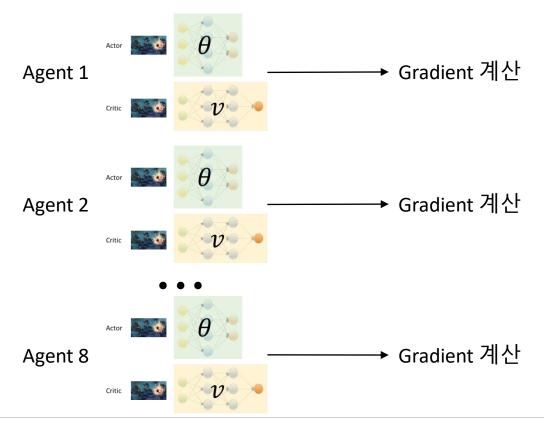
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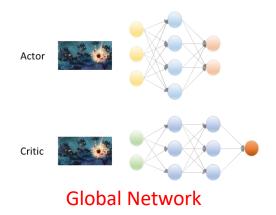


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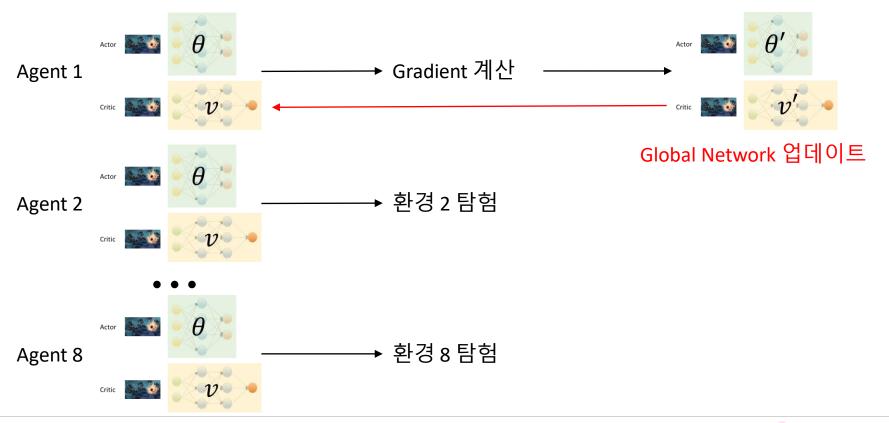
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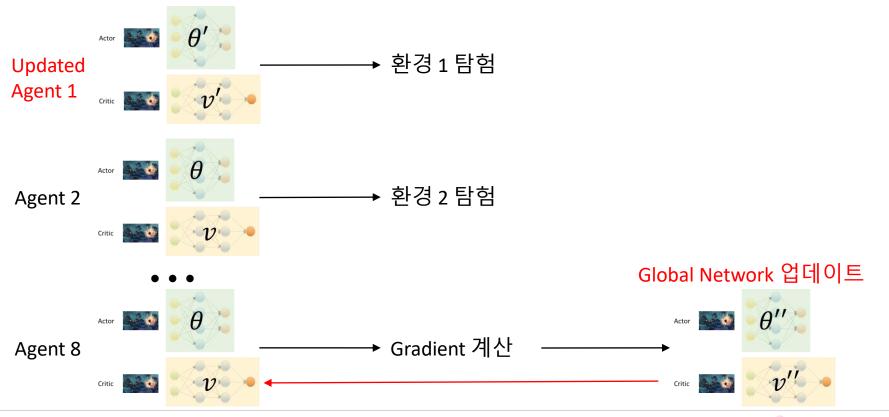




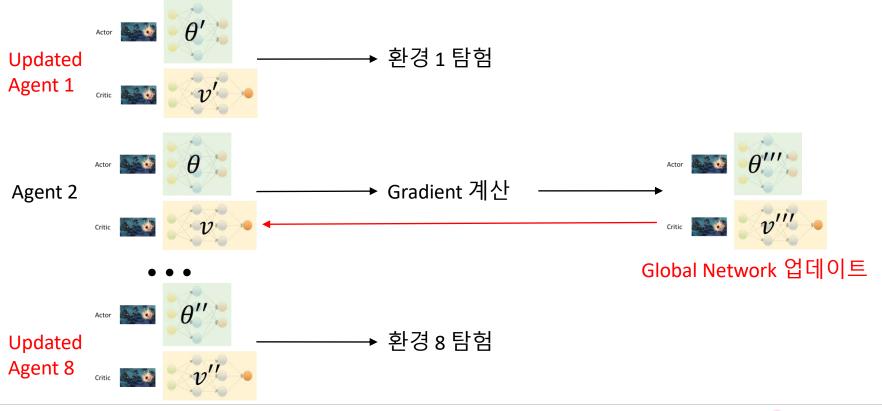
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Results

5 Atari Games

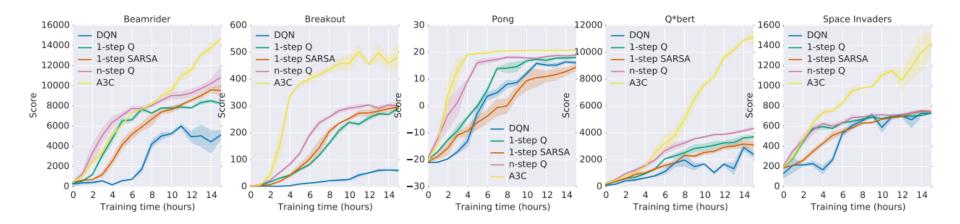


Figure 1. Learning speed comparison for DQN and the new asynchronous algorithms on five Atari 2600 games. DQN was trained on a single Nvidia K40 GPU while the asynchronous methods were trained using 16 CPU cores. The plots are averaged over 5 runs. In the case of DQN the runs were for different seeds with fixed hyperparameters. For asynchronous methods we average over the best 5 models from 50 experiments with learning rates sampled from $LogUniform(10^{-4}, 10^{-2})$ and all other hyperparameters fixed.

Results

57 Atari Games

Method	Training Time	Mean	Median
DQN	8 days on GPU	121.9%	47.5%
Gorila	4 days, 100 machines	215.2%	71.3%
D-DQN	8 days on GPU	332.9%	110.9%
Dueling D-DQN	8 days on GPU	343.8%	117.1%
Prioritized DQN	8 days on GPU	463.6%	127.6%
A3C, FF	1 day on CPU	344.1%	68.2%
A3C, FF	4 days on CPU	496.8%	116.6%
A3C, LSTM	4 days on CPU	623.0%	112.6%

Table 1. Mean and median human-normalized scores on 57 Atari games using the human starts evaluation metric. Supplementary Table SS3 shows the raw scores for all games.

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■ DQN의 단점을 보완하기 위해 고안된 알고리즘

■ A3C는 수 많은 상태, 행동이 존재하는 게임 환경에 적합

■ 다양한 에이전트를 활용하여 비동기적 업데이트 진행

■ 하나의 에이전트인 DQN보다 단축된 시간과 학습 성능이 뛰어남



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- ❖ 미래에 받을 보상의 합
 - γ : 미래에 받을 보상에 대한 디스카운트 요소(발산 방지)

$$v(s_t) = E[r_{t+1}|s_t]$$



$$v(s_t) = E[r_{t+1} + \gamma v(s_{t+1})|s_t]$$

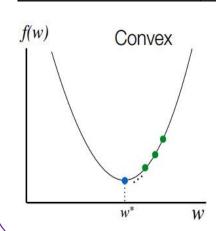




- ❖ Fixed Q-Target
 - 지도학습 vs 강화학습

지도학습

Training Data	(x, y)	
Model	$\hat{y} = f(x)$	
Objective Function	$Loss = E[(y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2]$	

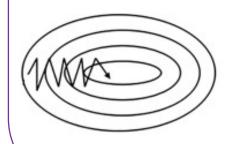


- 고정된 Target y 값
- 수렴 보장(O)

강화학습

Training Data	S, A, R, S, A, R,	
Model	$\pi(a s)$	
Objective Function		

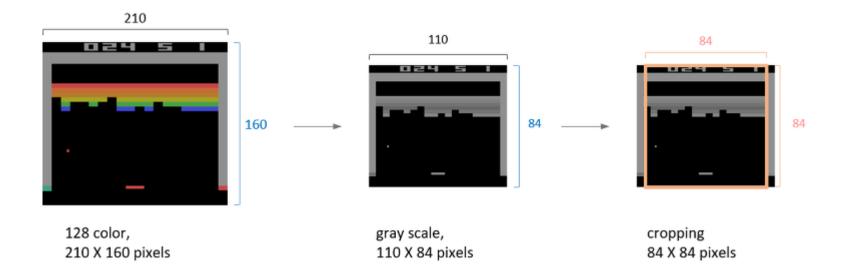
$$Loss = E[(r + \gamma \max_{a'} Q(s', a', w^{-}) - Q(s, a, w_{i}))^{2}]$$



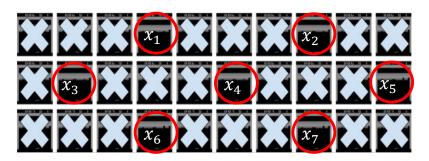
- 학습 시 Target y값 이 움직임 (Oscillation 현상)
- 수렴 보장(X)



- Preprocessing(DQN)
 - Atari 게임에서 down-sizing과 gray scale함
 - 정사각형 이미지로 변환 후, 4개의 프레임을 쌓음(RGB 채널 개념)



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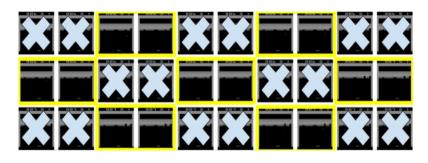


K번째 위치한 이미지만 선택

$$s_1 = (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)$$

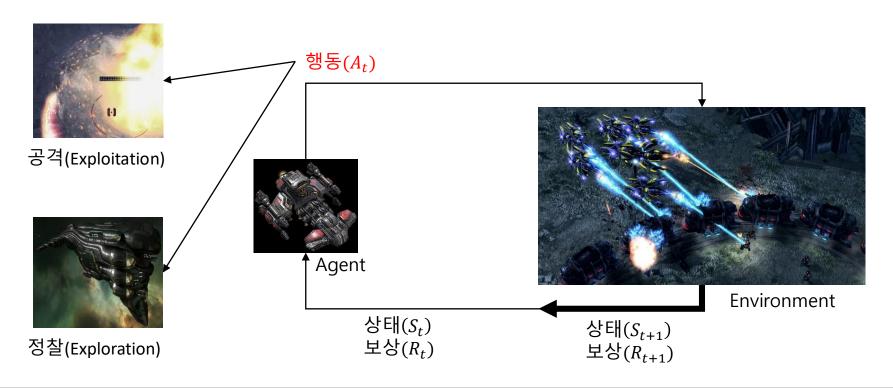
 $s_2 = (x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5)$

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선택된 이미지 앞의 이미지와 pixel-wise maximum

- ❖ 탐험(Exploration)과 착취(Exploitation)
 - 더 높은 보상을 받기 위해서는 주어진 상황에서 더 적절한 행동을 선택(Exploitation)
 - 각 행동들의 가치에 대해 알기 위해서는 사전에 탐험이 필요(Exploration)





On Policy

■ 모델 학습을 하기 위해 Target Policy의 결과들을 직접 사용

❖ Off Policy

- Target Policy와 Behavior Policy로 나뉨
- Target Policy는 더 높은 보상을 받기 위한 행동을 학습(Exploitation)
- Behavior Policy는 행동의 가치를 탐색(Exploration)

❖ 수식 유도

- $J(\theta) = E[\sum_{t=0}^{T-1} r_{t+1} | \pi_{\theta}] = E[r_1 + r_2 + r_3 + \dots + r_{\tau} | \pi_{\theta}]$
- $\theta' = \theta + \alpha \nabla_{\theta} J(\theta)$, $\nabla_{\theta} J(\theta)$ = Policy Gradient

$$\nabla_{\theta} E[\sum_{t=0}^{T-1} r_{t+1} | \pi_{\theta}] = \nabla_{\theta} \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} P(s_t, a_t | \tau) r_{t+1}$$
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미분 불가능

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$$= \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} P(s_{t}, a_{t} | \tau) \frac{\nabla_{\theta} P(s_{t}, a_{t} | \tau)}{P(s_{t}, a_{t} | \tau)} r_{t+1}$$

$$= \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} P(s_{t}, a_{t} | \tau) \nabla_{\theta} log P(s_{t}, a_{t} | \tau) r_{t+1}$$

$$= E_{\tau} \left[\sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \nabla_{\theta} log P(s_{t}, a_{t} | \tau) r_{t+1}\right]$$



❖ 수식 유도

- $P(s_t, a_t | \tau) = P(s_0, a_0, r_1, s_1, a_1, r_2, \dots, s_t, a_t | \theta)$
- $P(s_0)\pi_{\theta}(a_0|s_0)P(s_1|s_0,a_0)\pi_{\theta}(a_1|s_1)P(s_2|s_1,a_1) \dots$
- logAB = logA + logB

$$P(\tau|\theta) = P(s_0) \prod_{t=0}^{T-1} \pi_{\theta}(a_t|s_t) P(s_{t+1}|s_t, a_t)$$

$$logP(\tau|\theta) = logP(s_0) + \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} [log\pi_{\theta}(a_t|s_t) + logP(s_{t+1}|s_t, a_t)]$$

 θ 에 대한 미분 \rightarrow 상태 전이 확률 미분 시 상수 제거

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❖ 수식 유도

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$$\nabla_{\theta} E[\sum_{t=0}^{T-1} r_{t+1} | \pi_{\theta}] = E_{\tau} \nabla_{\theta} [\sum_{t=0}^{T-1} log \pi_{\theta}(a_{t} | s_{t}) r_{t+1}]$$

$$\approx E_{\tau}[\nabla_{\theta} \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} log \pi_{\theta}(a_{t}|s_{t})G_{t}], where G_{t} = \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \gamma^{t} r_{t+1} = r_{t+1} + \gamma r_{t+2} + \gamma^{2} r_{t+3} + \dots + \gamma^{T-1} r_{T}$$

Discounted $G_t \rightarrow 단순 보상의 합 발산 방지$

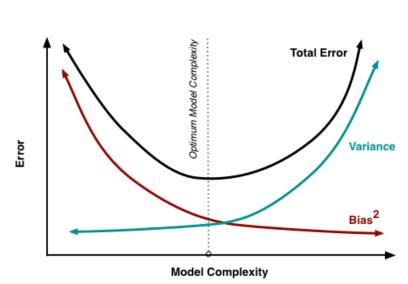




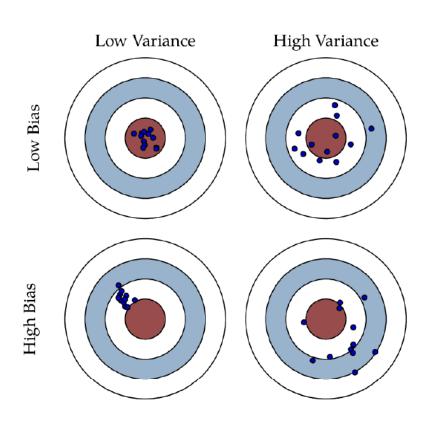
❖ Bias and Variance Tradeoff

■ Bias : 실제 값과 예측 값의 차이

■ Variance : 예측 값과 예측 값들의 평균과의 차이



출처: http://scott.fortmann-roe.com/docs/BiasVariance.html



- ❖ Asynchronous Advantage Actor-Critic(A3C)
 - Pseudo Code

Algorithm S3 Asynchronous advantage actor-critic - pseudocode for each actor-learner thread.

```
// Assume global shared parameter vectors \theta and \theta_v and global shared counter T=0
// Assume thread-specific parameter vectors \theta' and \theta'_v
Initialize thread step counter t \leftarrow 1
repeat
     Reset gradients: d\theta \leftarrow 0 and d\theta_v \leftarrow 0.
     Synchronize thread-specific parameters \theta' = \theta and \theta'_v = \theta_v
     t_{start} = t
     Get state s_t
     repeat
          Perform a_t according to policy \pi(a_t|s_t;\theta')
          Receive reward r_t and new state s_{t+1}
          t \leftarrow t + 1
          T \leftarrow T + 1
     until terminal s_t or t - t_{start} == t_{max}
     R = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for terminal } s_t \\ V(s_t, \theta'_v) & \text{for non-terminal } s_t \text{// Bootstrap from last state} \end{cases}
     for i \in \{t - 1, ..., t_{start}\} do
          R \leftarrow r_i + \gamma R
          Accumulate gradients wrt \theta': d\theta \leftarrow d\theta + \nabla_{\theta'} \log \pi(a_i|s_i;\theta')(R - V(s_i;\theta'_v))
          Accumulate gradients wrt \theta'_v: d\theta_v \leftarrow d\theta_v + \partial (R - V(s_i; \theta'_v))^2 / \partial \theta'_v
     Perform asynchronous update of \theta using d\theta and of \theta_v using d\theta_v.
until T > T_{max}
```