Deep Reinforcement Learning for Computer Games

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Motivation / Goal

Motivation

Neural Networks + Reinforcement learning → DQN, A2C

The first deep reinforcement learning is to play Atari game.

Playing Atari with Deep Reinforcement Learning, Volodymyr Mnih, Koray Kavukcuoglu, David Silver, Alex Graves, Ioannis Antonoglou, Daan Wierstra, Martin Riedmiller

Goal

Implement the code from scratch: build and train DNN based on Atari game



Deep Reinforcement Learning

On-Policy	Off-Policy
Policy Gradient, Actor Critic (AC)	DQN, Double DQN Proximal Policy Gradient

Off-policy: can train NN based on data collected from different policy.



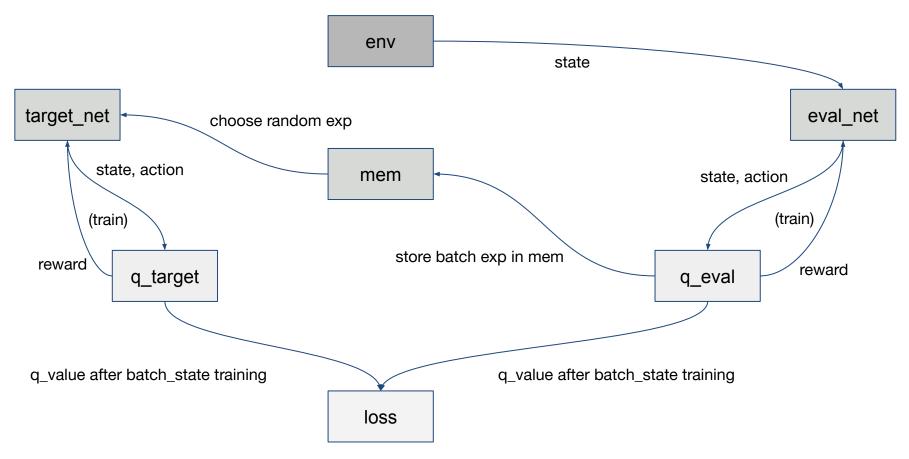
Double DQN



Approach/Solution

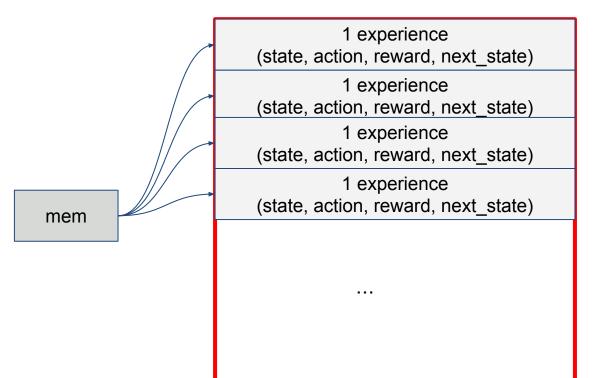
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Pseudo Code : DQN Algorithm
   1. Create 2 DQN networks : [1] target net [2] eval net
   2. Episode loop:
   3.
          Loop:
   4.
              - Extract image features ( obs space, act space )
   5.
              - Choose an action from the current state
   6.
              - Do the action, and observe the next state and reward
   7.
              - Store the experience (observation) to the memory bank
   8.
              - Accumulate the reward
              - If the memory bank is full:
  10.
                  = Target net learns(trains) from the memory
  11.
                  = End loop, start a new episode
```





^{*} **exp** includes: state, action, reward





a batch of experience

^{*} **experience** = 'transition' variable in the code 1 experience is a 1D array



AC



Actor Critic

- Critic:
 - Value Function served as a baseline to reduce the variance.
- Shared Common features map between actor and critic to reduce the bias of the critic.



```
PolicyNetwork(
  (features): Sequential(
    (0): Conv2d(3, 32, kernel size=(5, 5), stride=(1, 1))
    (1): ReLU()
    (2): MaxPool2d(kernel size=3, stride=3, padding=0, dilation=1, ceil mode=False)
    (3): Conv2d(32, 16, kernel size=(3, 3), stride=(1, 1))
    (4): ReLU()
    (5): MaxPool2d(kernel size=3, stride=3, padding=0, dilation=1, ceil mode=False)
    (6): ReLU()
    (7): Flatten(start dim=1, end dim=-1)
    (8): Linear(in features=11664, out features=128, bias=True)
    (9): ReLU()
    (10): Linear(in features=128, out features=64, bias=True)
    (11): ReLU()
  (actor): Linear(in features=64, out features=2, bias=True)
  (critic): Linear(in features=64, out features=1, bias=True)
```



Simulation Setups



Atari - Assault v4



0: NOOP

1: FIRE,

2: UP

3: RIGHT

4: LEFT

5: RIGHTFIRE

6: LEFTFIRE

State	Image (210 x 160) x RGB (3)
Action	Discrete (7)
Reward	Score



Results



Results - Double DQN vs. A2C



Double-DQN



AC

Resources: RTX 3080 10 G



Conclusion



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Project novelty and difficulty:

We built and trained two of the most popular deep reinforcement learning algorithm from scratch.

Demo:

Two type of agents are trained to learn the optimal policy.

Q&A





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