## LAB 6

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No Demo

In this lab,

# Must use sample code, otherwise no credit.

### **Outline**

## Part 1: High-Level Observation

Solve LunarLander-v2 using DQN (30%)

Solve LunarLanderContinuous-v2 using DDPG (30%)

**Bonus: Implement DDQN (5%)** 

**Bonus: Implement TD3 (10%)** 

### **Part 2: Low-Level Observation**

Solve BreakoutNoFrameskip-v4 using DQN (40%)

## **Report:**

**Result (0% but necessary)** 

**Bonus: Questions (10%)** 

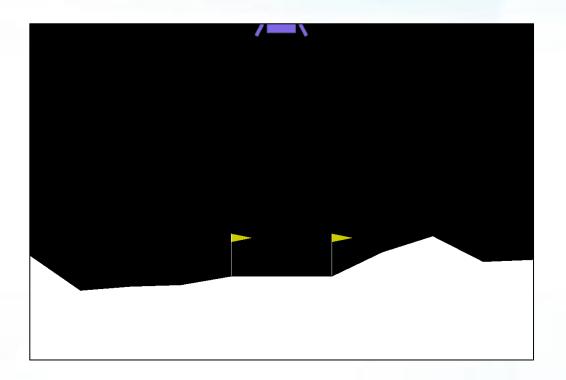
## LunarLander-v2

#### Observation [8]

- Horizontal Coordinate
- 2. Vertical Coordinate
- 3. Horizontal Speed
- 4. Vertical Speed
- 5. Angle
- 6. Angle Speed
- 7. If first leg has contact
- 8. If second leg has contact

#### Action [4]

- No-op
- 2. Fire left engine
- 3. Fire main engine
- 4. Fire right engine



#### Action [2] (Continuous)

- Main engine: -1 to 0 off, 0 to +1 throttle from 50% to 100% power. Engine can't work with less than 50% power
- Left-right: -1.0 to -0.5 fire left engine, +0.5 to
   +1.0 fire right engine, -0.5 to 0.5 off

## **Deep Q-Network (DQN)**

### Target Q:

$$Y_t^Q = r_{t+1} + \gamma \max_{a'} Q(s_{t+1}, a' | \theta)$$

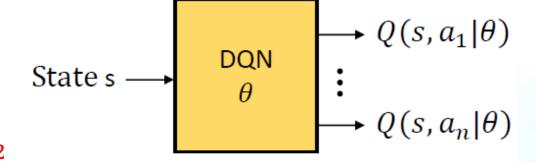
#### Loss function:

$$L_Q(s_t, a_t | \theta) = (Y_t^Q - Q(s_t, a_t | \theta))^2$$



#### **Gradient descent:**

$$\nabla_{\theta} L_Q(s_t, a_t | \theta) = (Y_t^Q - Q(s_t, a_t | \theta)) \nabla_{\theta} Q(s_t, a_t | \theta)$$



## **Deep Q-Network (DQN)**

#### Algorithm 1 – Deep Q-learning with experience replay:

Initialize replay memory D to capacity N

Initialize action-value function Q with random weights  $\theta$ 

Initialize target action-value function  $\hat{Q}$  with weights  $\theta^- = \theta$ 

For episode = 1, M do

Initialize sequence  $s_1 = \{x_1\}$  and preprocessed sequence  $\phi_1 = \phi(s_1)$ 

For t = 1,T do

With probability  $\varepsilon$  select a random action  $a_t$  otherwise select  $a_t = \operatorname{argmax}_a Q(\phi(s_t), a; \theta)$ 

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 D

Sample random minibatch of transitions  $(\phi_j, a_j, r_j, \phi_{j+1})$  from D

Set  $y_j = \begin{cases} r_j & \text{if episode terminates at step } j+1 \\ r_j + \gamma \max_{a'} \hat{Q}(\phi_{j+1}, a'; \theta^-) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ 

Perform a gradient descent step on  $(y_j - Q(\phi_j, a_j; \theta))^2$  with respect to the network parameters  $\theta$ 

Every C steps reset  $\hat{Q} = Q$ 

**End For** 

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Behavior and target network

 $\epsilon$ -greedy based on behavior network

Experience replay

Update behavior and target network

## **Deep Deterministic Policy Gradient (DDPG)**

Consider continuous actions and deterministic policy:  $a = \pi_{\theta}(s)$ 

Deterministic Policy Gradient Theorem:

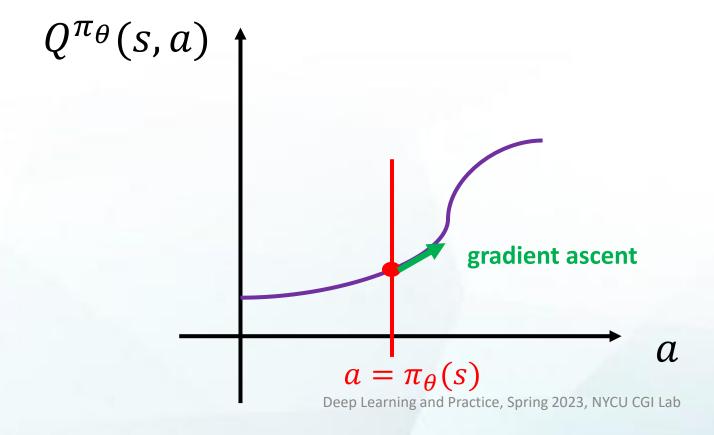
$$\nabla_{\theta} V^{\pi_{\theta}}(\mu) = \frac{1}{1 - \gamma} E_{s \sim d_{\mu}^{\pi_{\theta}}} [\nabla_{\theta} \pi_{\theta}(s) \nabla_{a} Q^{\pi_{\theta}}(s, a)|_{a = \pi_{\theta}(s)}]$$

Off-policy Deterministic Policy Gradient:

$$\nabla_{\theta} J_{\beta}^{\pi_{\theta}} \approx E_{s \sim d_{\mu}^{\beta}} [\nabla_{\theta} \pi_{\theta}(s) \nabla_{a} Q^{\pi_{\theta}}(s, a)|_{a = \pi_{\theta}(s)}]$$

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## Deep Deterministic Policy Gradient (DDPG)

#### **Algorithm 1 – DDPG:**

Randomly initialize critic network  $Q(s, a|\theta^Q)$  and actor  $\mu(s|\theta^\mu)$  with weights  $\theta^Q$  and  $\theta^\mu$ 

Initialize target network Q' and  $\mu'$  with weights  $\theta^{Q'} \leftarrow \theta^{Q}$ ,  $\theta^{\mu\prime} \leftarrow \theta^{\mu}$ 

Initialize replay buffer *R* 

for episode = 1, M do

Initialize a random process N for action exploration

Receive initial observation state  $s_1$ 

for t = 1, T do

Select action  $a_t = \mu(s_t|\theta^{\mu}) + N_t$  according to the current policy and exploration noise

Execute action  $a_t$  and observe reward  $r_t$  and observe new state  $s_{t+1}$ 

Store transition  $(s_t, a_t, r_t, s_{t+1})$  in R

Sample random minibatch of N transitions  $(s_i, a_i, r_i, s_{i+1})$  from R

Set  $y_i = r_i + \gamma Q'(s_{t+1}, \mu'(s_{t+1}|\theta^{\mu'})|\theta^{Q'})$ 

Update critic by minimizing the loss:  $L = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i} (y_i - Q(s_i, a_i | \theta^Q))^2$ 

Update the actor policy using the sampled gradient:

 $\nabla_{\theta}^{\mu}\mu|s_i \approx \frac{1}{N}\sum_i \nabla_a Q(s,a|\theta^Q)|_{s=s_i,a=\mu(s_i)} \nabla_{\theta}^{\mu}\mu(s|\theta^\mu)|s_i|$ 

Update the target networks:

$$\theta^{Q'} \leftarrow \tau \theta^{Q} + (1 - \tau)\theta^{Q'}$$
$$\theta^{\mu'} \leftarrow \tau \theta^{Q} + (1 - \tau)\theta^{\mu'}$$

end for

2 Behavior and 2 target networks

Action drawn from deterministic policy with exploration

Experience replay

Update actor and critic

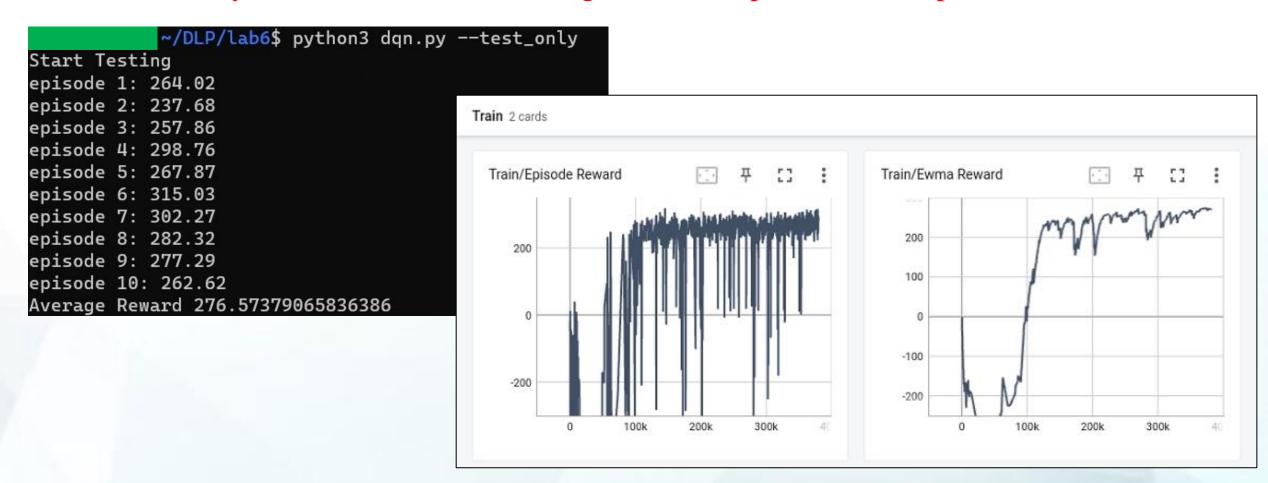
Update target networks (soft update)

## **TODO**

- Solve LunarLander-v2 using DQN.
- Solve LunarLanderContinuous-v2 using DDPG.
- Find the #TODO comments and hints, remove the raise NotImplementedError.
- Screenshot your tensorboard and testing results and put it on the report.

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## **Scoring Criteria**

- DQN performance (30%)
  - Bonus: implement DDQN (5%)
- DDPG performance (30%)
  - Bonus: implement TD3 (10%)
- Run test 10 times, average score:

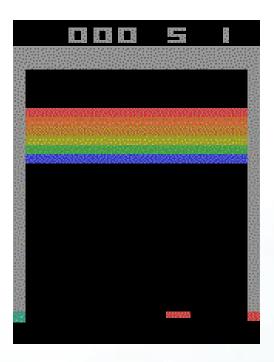
	~/DLP/lab6\$ python3 dqn.pytest_only
Start Te	sting
episode	1: 264.02
episode	2: 237.68
episode	3: 257.86
episode	4: 298.76
episode	5: 267.87
episode	6: 315.03
episode	7: 302.27
episode	8: 282.32
episode	9: 277.29
episode	10: 262.62
Average	Reward 276.57379065836386

average score	points
<= 0	0
0 ~ 100	5
100 ~ 150	10
150 ~ 200	20
>= 200	30

## BreakoutNoFrameskip-v4

- Observation space:
  - The whole image
- Action space:

Num	Action
0	NOOP
1	FIRE
2	RIGHT
3	LEFT

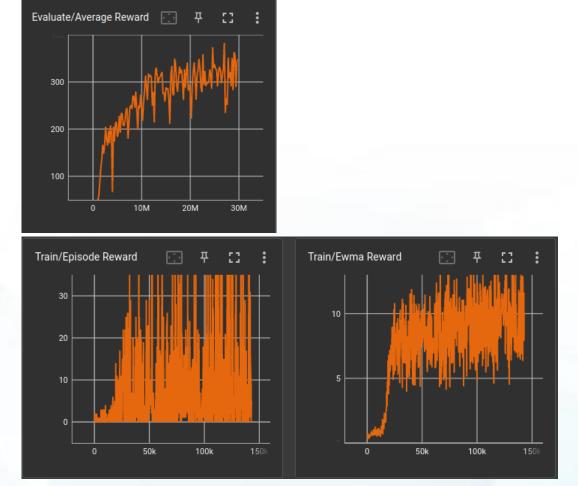


## **TODO**

- Solve BreakoutNoFrameskip-v4 using DQN.
- You can use any trick you want.
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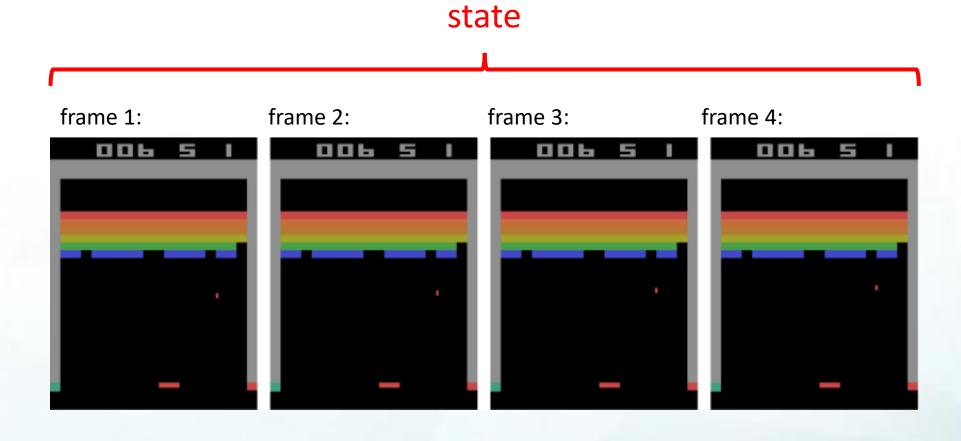
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Start Testing
episode 1: 421.00
episode 2: 414.00
episode 3: 828.00
episode 4: 427.00
episode 5: 396.00
episode 6: 430.00
episode 7: 424.00
episode 8: 798.00
episode 9: 433.00
episode 10: 427.00
Average Reward: 499.80
```

## Hint: Trick 1

- Use make\_Atari() and wrap\_deepmind() provided by OpenAI baselines.
  - atari\_wrappers.py
- Remember to set episode\_life=False, clip\_rewards=False while testing.

## Hint: Trick 2

• Stack a sequence of four frames together.



## **Scoring Criteria**

- Performance (40%)
- Run test 10 times, min(5 \* sqrt(average score), 100).
- For example:

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sqrt(499.8) = 22.35

5 * 22.35 = 111.75

min(111.75, 100) = 100

40 * 100\% = 40 \implies points you get
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### **Tensorboard Remote Server**

- ssh -p [your port] -L 6006:localhost:6006 pp037@140.113.215.196
- tensorboard --logdir log/dqn
- Open your browser locally and input 127.0.0.1:6006

## **Package Version**

- gym 0.15.7
- numpy 1.22.3
- pytorch 1.7.1
- tensorboard 2.10.0

#### Reminders

- Your network architecture and hyper-parameters can differ from the defaults.
- Ensure the shape of tensors all the time especially when calculating the loss.
- with no\_grad(): scope is the same as xxx.detach()
- Be aware of the indentation of hints.
- When testing DDPG, action selection need NOT include the noise.

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