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Abstract:

There is an increased need for automation in this ever advancing technological world. Automation reduces time, money, labour, while also reducing manual errors, giving you more time to concentrate on other work. Manual tasks are hectic and boring, sometimes they are dangerous considering the work. Navigation plays a vital role in many industries, some of them are vehicles, drones, transportation, and there are certain cases where navigation might be dangerous like deep forest, underground, underwater, firefighting environments. Visually challenged people have a difficult time navigating unfamiliar places. So there is a necessity for an automatic navigation system to overcome these situations. Hence in our project we will be implementing automatic path navigation simulation using deep Q-learning (a Machine Learning technique). This path navigation system when assigned its destination automatically finds the shortest route and avoid the obstacle in order to reach its destination

Introduction:

A path navigation system using Deep Q learning is presented in this project. Initially an environment is created with the help of Kivy software Then an object is created with 3 sensors .The object will have to avoid obstacles that are created dynamically by the user and reach its destination by taking the shortest path . Here we will be using Deep Q Learning algorithm (Reinforcement Learning) wherein the object will be trained based on reward and penalty mechanism.The main aim of this project is to make an object automatically navigate to its destination by avoiding the obstacles .

Objective:

- To build an environment with an object and 3 sensors(one right sensor, one left sensor and one straight sensor.
- To build an obstacle creator and assign a function to the object (i.e.)The object has to turn left or right in order to avoid the obstacle
- To implement deep Q learning algorithm to train the object in order to avoid the obstacle and find the shortest path to reach its destination

Literature Survey:

S.N	Title of the paper and Published year	Proposed Work and Results	Limitations
1	"Autonomous Vehicle for Obstacle Detection and Avoidance Using Reinforcement	They have developed a static obstacle detection using reinforcement learning for autonomous vehicle	Although their work tells us about an efficient way for static obstacle detection it still doesn't work for a

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	Learning"	navigation in a	dynamic moving
		simulated	obstacles
		environment	
	C.S.Arvind,	MLP-NN will be	
	J.Senthilnath	predicting the next	
		action based on	
		vehicle acceleration,	
		heading angle,	
		distance measure	
		from the ultrasonic	
		sensor.	
2	"An Autonomous	They have	They have adopted
	path finding Robot	implemented a path	a basic method of
	using Q-Learning "	and motion planning	edge detection for
		for a robot were used	tracing obstacles
	Madhu Babu V ,	to make it	on smooth surfaces
	Vamshi Krishna U ,	autonomous in	. However if the
	Shahensha S K	unknown	surface has any
		environment.These	unidentified
		were achieved using	intensity variations
		image processing and	makes it to detect
		reinforcement	as an obstacle
		techniques using Q	
		Learning .They have	
		calculated the hottest	

		path from current	
		state to goal state by	
		analyzing the	
		environment through	
		captured images	
3	"Q-Learning	Q-learning algorithms	A major limitation
	Algorithms: A	are off policy	of Q-learning is that
	Comprehensive	reinforcement	it is only works in
	Classification and	learning	environments with
	Applications"	algorithms that try to	discrete and finite
		perform the most	state and action
	BEAKCHEOL JANG	profitable action	spaces.
	, ,MYEONGHWI KIM	given the current	
	,	state .They covered	Drawbacks or
	GASPARD	all variants of	disadvantages of
	HARERIMANA,	Q-learning algorithms,	Deep Learning
	AND JONG WOOK	which are a	
	KIM	representative	It requires a very
		algorithm under	large amount of
		reinforcement	data in order to
		learning. They have	perform better than
		distinctively	other techniques.
		categorized	
		Q-learning algorithms	
		into single-agent and	

		multi-agent and described them thoroughly. Deep Q learning came as an improved version on basic Q learning	
4	" Path Planning for	They have combined	The system
	Intelligent Robots	deep Q learning with	simulation is hard
	Based on Deep	learning replay and	to satisfy in real
	Q-learning With	heuristic knowledge	life,due to
	Experience Replay	for path detection and	uncertainties in the
	and Heuristic	obstacle avoidance of	environment and
	Knowledge"	intelligent robots.	cannot be applied
			on an dynamic
	Lan Jiang,		moving obstacles
	Hongyun Huang,		
	and Zuohua Ding		
5	" Decision-Making	A DRL enabled	The DQL and
	Strategy on	highway overtaking	DDQN algorithms
	Highway for	driving policy is	are compared and
	Autonomous	constructed for	analyzed
	Vehicles Using	autonomous vehicles.	theoretically but
	Deep	The proposed	practically when

	Reinforcement	decision-making	random increase in
	Learning "	strategy is evaluated	speed could lead to
		and estimated to be	failure.
	JIANGDONG LIAO ,	adaptive to other	
	TENG LIU ,	complicated	
	XIAOLIN TANG,	scenarios.First, the	
	XINGYU MU , BING	studied driving	
	HUANG , DONGPU	environment is	
	CAO	founded on the	
		highway, wherein an	
		ego vehicle aims to	
		run through a	
		particular driving	
		scenario efficiently	
		and safely. Finally, the	
		performance of the	
		proposed control	
		framework is	
		discussed via	
		executing a series of	
		simulation	
		experiments.	
6	Multi-Robot Path	They dealt with	The environment
	Planning Method	information and	where the
	Using	strategy around	generated path is

Reinforcement Learning

Hyansu Bae, Gidong Kim, Jonguk Kim, Dianwei Qian and Sukgyu Lee.

reinforcement learning for multi-robot navigation algorithms where each robot can be considered as a dynamic obstacle or cooperative robot depending on the situation. That is, each robot in the system can perform independent actions and simultaneously collaborate with each other depending on the given mission. After the selected action, the relationship with the target is evaluated, and rewards or penalty is given to

each robot to learn.

simple or without obstacles, an unnecessary movement occurs.and it did not take into account the dynamics of robots and obstacles.

7 Robot Training and
Navigation through
the Deep
Q-Learning
Algorithm

Madson Rodrigues Lemos; Anne Vitoria Rodrigues de Souza; Renato Souza de Lira; Carlos Alberto Oliveira de Freitas;

They aimed to present the results of an assessment of adherence to the Deep Q-learning algorithm, applied to a vehicular navigation robot. The robot's job was to transport parts through an environment, for this purpose, a decision system was built based on the Deep Q-learning algorithm, with the aid of an artificial neural network that received data from the sensors as input and allowed autonomous navigation in an environment. For the experiments, the mobile

robot-maintained

The research was limited to the use of educational robots. The algorithm does not perform more complex tests with dynamic environments.

		communication via	
		robotic components	
		present in the	
		environment through	
		the MQTT protocol.	
		and man protessi.	
8	Towards Real-Time	They have proposed	Although their
	Path Planning	a Deep	research is highly
	through Deep	Reinforcement	efficient in
	Reinforcement	Learning (DRL)	simulation , it is
	Learning for a UAV	approach for UAV	hard to develop this
	in Dynamic	path planning based	in real life
	Environments	on the global situation	environment and it
		information. They	is not feasible
	Chao Yan, Xiaojia	have chosen the	
	Xiang & Chang	STAGE Scenario	
	Wang	software to provide	
		the simulation	
		environment where a	
		situation assessment	
		model is developed	
		with consideration of	
		the UAV survival	

		probability under enemy radar detection and missile attack.	
9	Path planning of mobile robot in unknown dynamic continuous environment using reward-modified deep Q-network Runnan Huang Chengxuan Qin Jian Ling Li Xuejing	Their research aimed at the path planning of mobile robots in UDE, a continuous dynamic simulation environment is built in this article. Based on DQN, a reward function with reward weight is designed, and the influence of reward weight has been	Their work focused on the performance of DQN on the policy of the robot's moving direction, hence the velocity and the acceleration of the robot are not considered Moreover, this article does not consider the
	Lan	analysed experimentally. Moreover, the abnormal rewards caused by the relative	specific dimension.

	T	T	
		motion between	
		obstacles and robot	
		have been analysed	
		and solved by adding	
		a reward modifier to	
		DQN. The	
		comparative	
		experiment among	
		RMDQN, RMDDQN,	
		dueling RMDQN, and	
		dueling RMDDQN	
		was done, and turns	
		out that the result of	
		RMDDQN is the best.	
10	Autonomous	They aimed to	Their system
	Navigation for	illustrate how the	attempted to find
	Omnidirectional	Omni robot performs	the best route by
	Robot Based on	navigation using	moving around or
	Deep	model-free deep Q	near the obstacle
	Reinforcement	learning to navigate in	several times which
	Learning	unpredicted	is not practical in
		environments. It will	real life scenarios.
	Van Nguyen Thi	also explain how to	

Th	anh , Tien Ngo	obtain the policy	
Ma	anh, Cuong	when such a model is	
Ng	guyen Manh,	unknown in advance	
Du	ıng Pham Tien,	by using a virtual	
Ma	anh Tran Van ,	environment to	
Du	ıyen Ha Thi Kim	conduct in simulation.	
and	d Duy Nguyen		
Du	ıc		

Architecture Diagram:

This architecture diagram clearly depicts our goal and outline structure of our project.

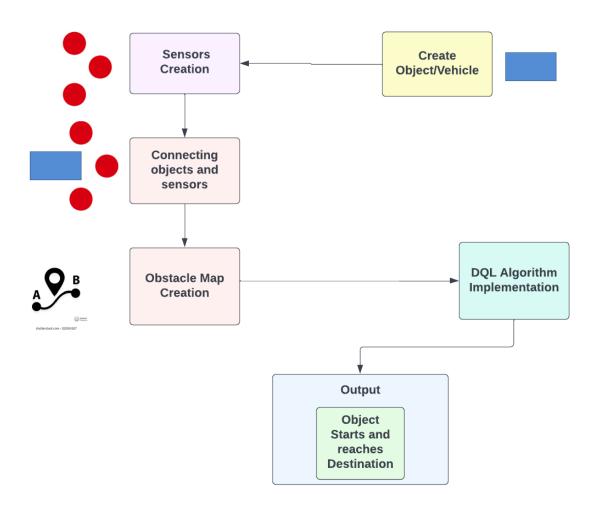


Figure 1 - Architecture Diagram
The project's Architecture diagram in figure 1 has 6 Components ,

1) Create Object/Vehicle:

This module creates the object required, that is the vehicle using Kivy with any desired shape and size .

2) Sensors Creation:

This module creates the 3 sensors ,the left sensor,the right sensor and the straight .The main purpose of these sensors are to detect the obstacles ,if there are any.

3) Connecting objects and sensors:

This module connects the 4 objects into a single entity, that is it connects the object with 3 sensors .

4) Obstacle Map Creation:

In this module, we create an environment/map for the object to navigate from source to destination .We have also added clear(deletes the obstacle) , save (saves the obstacle design) and load (loads the previously saved obstacle design) options .

5) DQL Algorithm Implementation:

This module deals with the DQL Algorithm which is used by the object to learn to avoid obstacles. If the object detects any obstacle from any of the three sensors it turns to the opposite direction by 20 degrees and moves towards its destination. Here reinforcement learning method is used along with deep Q learning where they will be awarded with a reward for every step the move closer to the destination and a penalty will be given when it moves away from the destination and aim of it is to maximise its reward points.

6) Object starts and reaches destination:

This module deals with the object moving from its initial point by dodging all the obstacle and by finding the shortest route to reach to the designated desitination.

Proposed work:

The goal of this simulation is to build an environment with a complex path, an object with 3 sensors which uses Deep Q-Learning to train the object and to assign a destination for the object to reach.

Anaconda is what we'll use to install PyTorch and Kivy. It is a free and open source distribution of Python which offers an easy way to install packages.

We will build this 2D map inside a Kivy webapp. Kivy is a free and open source Python framework with a user interface inside which you can build your games or apps. It will be the container of the whole environment.

PyTorch is the AI framework used to build our Deep Q-Network. PyTorch is great to work with and powerful. It has dynamic graphs which allow fast computations of the gradient of complex functions, needed to train the model.

This can be divided into 3 integral parts to simplify the process,

- 1.To create an environment with the object and sensors.
- 2. To build the obstacle creator and to assign functions for the objects.
- 3.Implementing Deep Q-Learning to train the object.

Modules:

Module 1: To create an environment with the object and sensors.

We create the environment and we use Kivy WebApp to create 4 Kivy objects, a rectangle shape representing the object and three sensors to detect any obstacle and to navigate to the destination.

We set our object to go from the upper left corner of the map, to the bottom right corner.

Create 3 buttons: Clear, Load and Save.

Module 2: To build the obstacle creator and to assign functions for the objects.

We build a system to draw different obstacles in the environment.

We assign functions to the objects to make it go through any path we create from the start to the end point.

Assign function to Clear button.

Module 3: Implementing Deep Q-Learning to train the object.

Using Deep Q-Learning we build and train our object to navigate its way avoiding any obstacles to its destination.

Assign functions for Load and Save buttons.

Algorithm:

Step 1: Importing the libraries and the Kivy packages.

Step 2: Initialising variables to keep the last point in memory when we draw the sand on the map, the total number of points in the last drawing, the length of the last drawing.

Step 3 : Create the brain of our Al, list of actions and the reward variable :

- I.4 inputs, 3 actions, gamma = 0.9.
- II.action = 0 => no rotation, action = 1 => rotate 20 degrees, action = 2 => rotate -20 degrees.
- III. The reward received after reaching a new state.

Step 4: Initialising the map:

- I.Sand is an array that has as many cells as our graphic interface has pixels. Each cell has a one if there is sand, 0 otherwise.
- II.Building x-coordinate and y-coordinate of the goal.
- III.Initializing the sand array with only zeros.
- IV.The goal to reach is at the upper left of the map. (the x-coordinate and y-coordinate)
- V.Initializing the last distance from the object to the goal.

Step 5: Creating the object class:

- I.Initializing the angle of the object.
- II.Initializing the last rotation of the object.
- III.Initializing the x-coordinate and y-coordinate of the velocity vector and the velocity vector.

IV.Initializing the x-coordinate and y-coordinate of all 3 sensors and their respective sensor vectors.

Step 6: Updating the position of the object according to its last position and velocity:

- I.Getting the rotation of the object.
- II. Updating the angle and the position of sensors 1,2 and 3.
- III. Updating the signal received by sensors 1,2 and 3. (density of sand around sensor 1,2,3)
- IV.If any sensor is out of the map (the object is facing one edge of the map) that sensor detects full sand.
- V.Update sensors 1,2 and 3.

Step 7 : Creating the game class :

- I.Getting the object and the sensors 1,2 and 3 from our kivy file.
- II. Starting the object when we launch the application.
- III. The object will start at the center of the map.
- IV. The object will start to go horizontally to the right with a speed of 6.

Step 8: Update function that updates everything that needs to be updated at each discrete time when reaching a new state (getting new signals from the sensors):

- I.Specifying the global variables.
- II. Store width and height of the map (horizontal edge and vertical edge).
- III.Storing the difference of x-coordinates and of y-coordinates between the goal and the object.
- IV.Initializing the direction of the object with respect to the goal (if the object is heading perfectly towards the goal, then orientation = 0)

- V.Initializing our input state vector, composed of the orientation plus the three signals received by the three sensors.
- VI.Updating the weights of the neural network in our ai and playing a new action
- VII.Converting the action played (0, 1 or 2) into the rotation angle (0°, 20° or -20°)
- VIII. Moving the object according to this last rotation angle
 - IX.Getting the new distance between the object and the goal right after the object moved
 - X.Updating the positions of the 3 sensors 1,2 and 3 right after the object moved.

Step 9: Assigning reward system:

- I.If the object is on the sand, it is slowed down (speed = 1) and reward = -1.
- II.Otherwise it gets a bad reward of -0.2.
- III. However if it is getting closer to the goal it still gets a slightly positive reward of 0.1.
- IV.If the object is on any edge of the frame (top,right,bottom,left), it comes back 10 pixels away from the edge and it gets a bad reward of -1.
- V.When the object reaches its goal, the goal becomes the bottom right corner of the map and vice versa (updating of the x and y coordinate of the goal).
- VI. Updating the last distance from the object to the goal.

Step 10: Painting for graphic interface:

- I.Putting some sand when we do a left click.
- II. Put some sand when we move the mouse while pressing left.

Step 11 : API and switches interface :

- I.Building the app.
- II. Creating the clear, save and load buttons.
- III.Running the app.

Step 12: Build and run the application.

Project Code:

1) File Name - car.kv (Kivy File) :

```
<Car>:
  size: 20, 10
  canvas:
     PushMatrix
     Rotate:
       angle: self.angle
       origin: self.center
     Rectangle:
       pos: self.pos
       size: self.size
     PopMatrix
<Ball1>:
  size: 10,10
  canvas:
     Color:
       rgba: 1,0,0,1
     Ellipse:
       pos: self.pos
       size: self.size
<Ball2>:
```

size: 10,10

```
canvas:
     Color:
       rgba: 0,1,1,1
     Ellipse:
       pos: self.pos
       size: self.size
<Ball3>:
  size: 10,10
  canvas:
     Color:
       rgba: 1,1,0,1
     Ellipse:
       pos: self.pos
       size: self.size
<Game>:
  car: game_car
  ball1: game_ball1
  ball2: game_ball2
  ball3: game_ball3
  Car:
     id: game_car
     center: self.parent.center
  Ball1:
     id: game_ball1
     center: self.parent.center
  Ball2:
     id: game_ball2
     center: self.parent.center
  Ball3:
     id: game_ball3
     center: self.parent.center
```

2) File Name - ai.py (Python File):

```
# Al for Path Navigation
# Importing the libraries
import numpy as np
import random
import os
import torch
import torch.nn as nn
import torch.nn.functional as F
import torch.optim as optim
import torch autograd as autograd
from torch.autograd import Variable
# Creating the architecture of the Neural Network
class Network(nn.Module):
  def init (self, input size, nb action):
     super(Network, self).__init__()
     self.input size = input size
     self.nb action = nb action
     self.fc1 = nn.Linear(input_size, 30)
     self.fc2 = nn.Linear(30, nb_action)
  def forward(self, state):
     x = F.relu(self.fc1(state))
```

q values = self.fc2(x)

return q_values

```
# Implementing Experience Replay
class ReplayMemory(object):
  def init (self, capacity):
     self.capacity = capacity
    self.memory = []
  def push(self, event):
     self.memory.append(event)
    if len(self.memory) > self.capacity:
       del self.memory[0]
  def sample(self, batch size):
     samples = zip(*random.sample(self.memory, batch_size))
    return map(lambda x: Variable(torch.cat(x, 0)), samples)
# Implementing Deep Q Learning
class Dqn():
  def __init__(self, input_size, nb_action, gamma):
    self.gamma = gamma
    self.reward window = []
    self.model = Network(input_size, nb_action)
     self.memory = ReplayMemory(100000)
    self.optimizer = optim.Adam(self.model.parameters(), Ir = 0.001)
    self.last state = torch.Tensor(input size).unsqueeze(0)
    self.last action = 0
    self.last reward = 0
  def select action(self, state):
      probs = F.softmax(self.model(Variable(state, volatile = True))*100) #
T=100
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action = probs.multinomial(num samples=1)
    return action.data[0,0]
         def learn(self,
                          batch_state,
                                        batch_next_state, batch_reward,
batch action):
                          outputs
                                         self.model(batch state).gather(1,
batch_action.unsqueeze(1)).squeeze(1)
     next outputs = self.model(batch next state).detach().max(1)[0]
    target = self.gamma*next outputs + batch reward
     td loss = F.smooth I1 loss(outputs, target)
     self.optimizer.zero grad()
     td loss.backward(retain graph = True)
    self.optimizer.step()
  def update(self, reward, new signal):
     new state = torch.Tensor(new signal).float().unsqueeze(0)
                           self.memory.push((self.last_state,
                                                               new state,
torch.LongTensor([int(self.last action)]), torch.Tensor([self.last reward])))
     action = self.select action(new state)
    if len(self.memory.memory) > 100:
            batch state, batch next state, batch action, batch reward =
self.memory.sample(100)
                  self.learn(batch state, batch next state, batch reward,
batch action)
     self.last action = action
    self.last_state = new_state
     self.last reward = reward
     self.reward window.append(reward)
    if len(self.reward window) > 1000:
       del self.reward window[0]
     return action
  def score(self):
    return sum(self.reward window)/(len(self.reward window)+1.)
```

3) File Name - map.py (Python File) :

Path Navigation

Importing the libraries import numpy as np from random import random, randint import matplotlib.pyplot as plt import time

Importing the Kivy packages from kivy.app import App from kivy.uix.widget import Widget from kivy.uix.button import Button from kivy.graphics import Color, Ellipse, Line from kivy.config import Config

```
from
       kivy.properties
                        import NumericProperty, ReferenceListProperty,
ObjectProperty
from kivy.vector import Vector
from kivy.clock import Clock
# Importing the Dqn object from our AI in ai.py
from ai import Dqn
# Adding this line if we don't want the right click to put a red point
Config.set('input', 'mouse', 'mouse, multitouch on demand')
# Introducing last x and last y, used to keep the last point in memory when
we draw the sand on the map
last x = 0
last y = 0
n points = 0
length = 0
# Getting our AI, which we call "brain", and that contains our neural network
that represents our Q-function
brain = Dqn(5,3,0.9)
action2rotation = [0,20,-20]
last_reward = 0
scores = []
# Initializing the map
first update = True
def init():
  global sand
  global goal x
  global goal y
  global first update
  sand = np.zeros((longueur,largeur))
  goal x = 20
  goal y = largeur - 20
```

```
first_update = False
# Initializing the last distance
last distance = 0
# Creating the car class
class Car(Widget):
  angle = NumericProperty(0)
  rotation = NumericProperty(0)
  velocity x = NumericProperty(0)
  velocity y = NumericProperty(0)
  velocity = ReferenceListProperty(velocity x, velocity y)
  sensor1 x = NumericProperty(0)
  sensor1 y = NumericProperty(0)
  sensor1 = ReferenceListProperty(sensor1 x, sensor1 y)
  sensor2 x = NumericProperty(0)
  sensor2 y = NumericProperty(0)
  sensor2 = ReferenceListProperty(sensor2 x, sensor2 y)
  sensor3 x = NumericProperty(0)
  sensor3 y = NumericProperty(0)
  sensor3 = ReferenceListProperty(sensor3_x, sensor3_y)
  signal1 = NumericProperty(0)
  signal2 = NumericProperty(0)
  signal3 = NumericProperty(0)
  def move(self, rotation):
     self.pos = Vector(*self.velocity) + self.pos
     self.rotation = rotation
     self.angle = self.angle + self.rotation
     self.sensor1 = Vector(30, 0).rotate(self.angle) + self.pos
     self.sensor2 = Vector(30, 0).rotate((self.angle+30)%360) + self.pos
    self.sensor3 = Vector(30, 0).rotate((self.angle-30)%360) + self.pos
```

```
self.signal1
                                                                         =
int(np.sum(sand[int(self.sensor1_x)-10:int(self.sensor1_x)+10,
int(self.sensor1 y)-10:int(self.sensor1 y)+10])/400.
                                                       self.signal2
                                                                         =
int(np.sum(sand[int(self.sensor2 x)-10:int(self.sensor2 x)+10,
int(self.sensor2 y)-10:int(self.sensor2 y)+10])/400.
                                                       self.signal3
                                                                         =
int(np.sum(sand[int(self.sensor3 x)-10:int(self.sensor3 x)+10,
int(self.sensor3 y)-10:int(self.sensor3 y)+10]))/400.
                if self.sensor1 x>longueur-10 or self.sensor1 x<10 or
self.sensor1 y>largeur-10 or self.sensor1 y<10:
       self.signal1 = 1.
                if self.sensor2 x>longueur-10 or self.sensor2 x<10
self.sensor2 y>largeur-10 or self.sensor2 y<10:
       self.signal2 = 1.
                if self.sensor3 x>longueur-10 or self.sensor3 x<10 or
self.sensor3 y>largeur-10 or self.sensor3 y<10:
       self.signal3 = 1.
class Ball1(Widget):
  pass
class Ball2(Widget):
  pass
class Ball3(Widget):
  pass
# Creating the game class
class Game(Widget):
  car = ObjectProperty(None)
  ball1 = ObjectProperty(None)
  ball2 = ObjectProperty(None)
  ball3 = ObjectProperty(None)
```

```
def serve car(self):
     self.car.center = self.center
     self.car.velocity = Vector(6, 0)
  def update(self, dt):
     global brain
     global last reward
     global scores
     global last distance
     global goal_x
     global goal_y
     global longueur
     global largeur
     longueur = self.width
     largeur = self.height
     if first update:
       init()
     xx = goal x - self.car.x
     yy = goal y - self.car.y
     orientation = Vector(*self.car.velocity).angle((xx,yy))/180.
           last signal = [self.car.signal1, self.car.signal2, self.car.signal3,
orientation, -orientation]
     action = brain.update(last_reward, last_signal)
     scores.append(brain.score())
     rotation = action2rotation[action]
     self.car.move(rotation)
     distance = np.sqrt((self.car.x - goal_x)**2 + (self.car.y - goal_y)**2)
     self.ball1.pos = self.car.sensor1
     self.ball2.pos = self.car.sensor2
     self.ball3.pos = self.car.sensor3
     if sand[int(self.car.x),int(self.car.y)] > 0:
```

```
self.car.velocity = Vector(1, 0).rotate(self.car.angle)
       last reward = -1
     else: # otherwise
        self.car.velocity = Vector(6, 0).rotate(self.car.angle)
       last reward = -0.2
       if distance < last distance:
          last reward = 0.1
     if self.car.x < 10:
        self.car.x = 10
       last reward = -1
     if self.car.x > self.width - 10:
        self.car.x = self.width - 10
       last reward = -1
     if self.car.y < 10:
       self.car.y = 10
       last reward = -1
     if self.car.y > self.height - 10:
        self.car.y = self.height - 10
       last reward = -1
     if distance < 100:
        goal_x = self.width-goal_x
        goal y = self.height-goal y
     last distance = distance
# Adding the painting tools
class MyPaintWidget(Widget):
  def on touch down(self, touch):
     global length, n points, last x, last y
     with self.canvas:
       Color(0.8,0.7,0)
        d = 10.
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touch.ud['line'] = Line(points = (touch.x, touch.y), width = 10)
        last x = int(touch.x)
       last y = int(touch.y)
        n points = 0
       length = 0
        sand[int(touch.x),int(touch.y)] = 1
  def on touch move(self, touch):
     global length, n points, last x, last y
     if touch.button == 'left':
       touch.ud['line'].points += [touch.x, touch.y]
       x = int(touch.x)
       y = int(touch.y)
       length += np.sqrt(max((x - last_x)**2 + (y - last_y)**2, 2))
       n points += 1.
       density = n points/(length)
       touch.ud['line'].width = int(20 * density + 1)
              sand[int(touch.x) - 10 : int(touch.x) + 10, int(touch.y) - 10 :
int(touch.y) + 10] = 1
       last x = x
       last y = y
# Adding the API Buttons (clear, save and load)
class CarApp(App):
  def build(self):
     parent = Game()
     parent.serve car()
     Clock.schedule interval(parent.update, 1.0/60.0)
     self.painter = MyPaintWidget()
     clearbtn = Button(text = 'clear')
     savebtn = Button(text = 'save', pos = (parent.width, 0))
     loadbtn = Button(text = 'load', pos = (2 * parent.width, 0))
     clearbtn.bind(on release = self.clear canvas)
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savebtn.bind(on_release = self.save)
     loadbtn.bind(on release = self.load)
     parent.add widget(self.painter)
     parent.add_widget(clearbtn)
     parent.add widget(savebtn)
     parent.add widget(loadbtn)
     return parent
  def clear_canvas(self, obj):
     global sand
     self.painter.canvas.clear()
     sand = np.zeros((longueur,largeur))
  def save(self, obj):
     print("saving brain...")
     brain.save()
     plt.plot(scores)
     plt.show()
  def load(self, obj):
     print("loading last saved brain...")
     brain.load()
# Running the whole thing
if __name__ == '__main__':
  CarApp().run()
```

Tools Used:

Kivy - To create the environment and the objects.

Kivy is an open source multi-platform GUI development library for Python and can run on iOS, Android, Windows, OS X, and GNU/Linux. It helps develop applications that make use of innovative, multi-touch UI. The fundamental idea behind Kivy is to enable the developer to build an app once and use it across all devices, making the code reusable and deployable, allowing for quick and easy interaction design and rapid prototyping.

• **PyTorch Framework** - To implement the Deep Q Learning algorithm and to build the Path Navigating System.

PyTorch is an open source machine learning (ML) framework based on the Python programming language and the Torch library. It is one of the preferred platforms for deep learning research. The framework is built to speed up the process between research prototyping and deployment.

PyTorch is similar to NumPy and computes using tensors that are accelerated by graphics processing units (GPU). Tensors are arrays, a type of multidimensional data structure, that can be operated on and manipulated with APIs. The PyTorch framework supports over 200 different mathematical operations.

The popularity of PyTorch continues to rise as it simplifies the creation of artificial neural network (ANN) models. PyTorch is mainly used for applications of research, data science and artificial intelligence (AI).

Implementation:

Module 1: To create an environment with the object and sensors.

The environment with objects are created, the object is set to go from the upper left corner of the map to the bottom right corner.

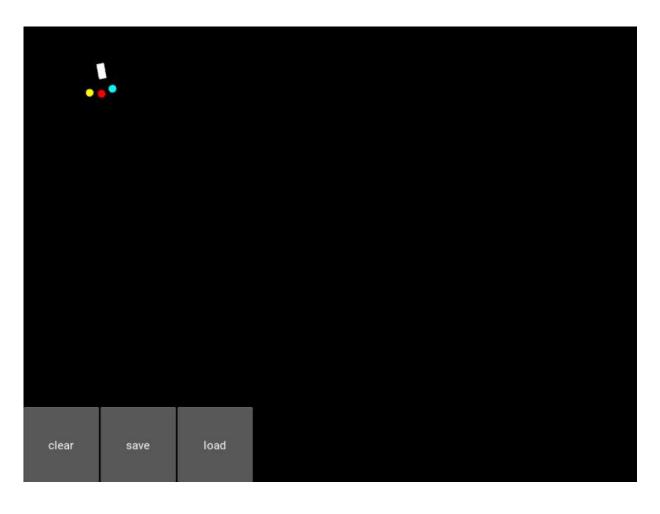


Figure 2 - Random Movement 1

The object starting at the top left of the map(starting point) is shown in Figure 2.

Three buttons are created: Clear, Load and Save.

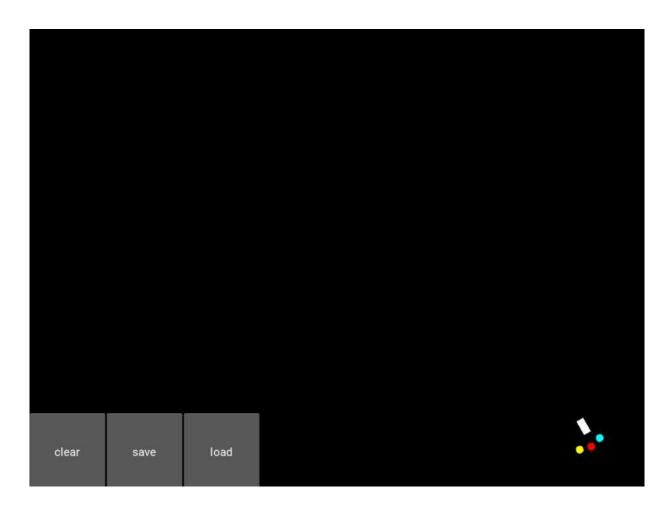


Figure 3 - Random Movement 2

The object reaching the bottom right of the map(destination) is shown in Figure 3.

Module 2: To build the obstacle creator and to assign functions for the objects.

Obstacle creator using mouse pointer is built, It allows us to draw different obstacles in the environment on which the object is tested.

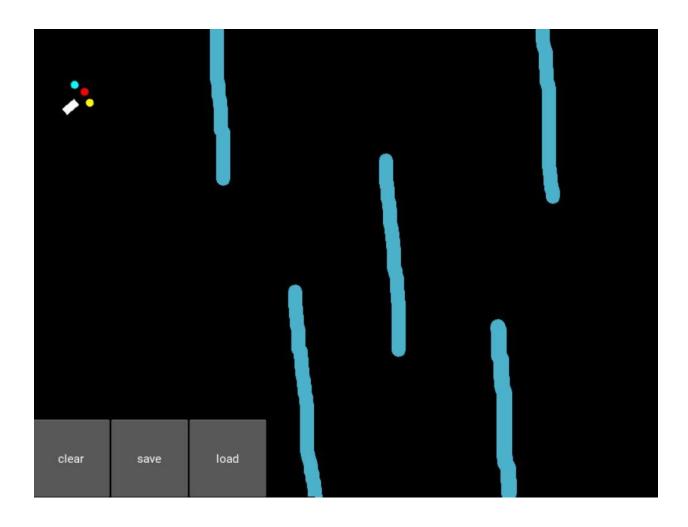


Figure 4 - Obstacle 1 (Object at initial position)

Obstacle is created using the obstacle creator we implemented, it can be hand drawn by us to build various different obstacles as shown in Figure 4.

Functions are assigned to the objects to make it go through any path we create from the start to the end point. The clear can refresh the obstacle.

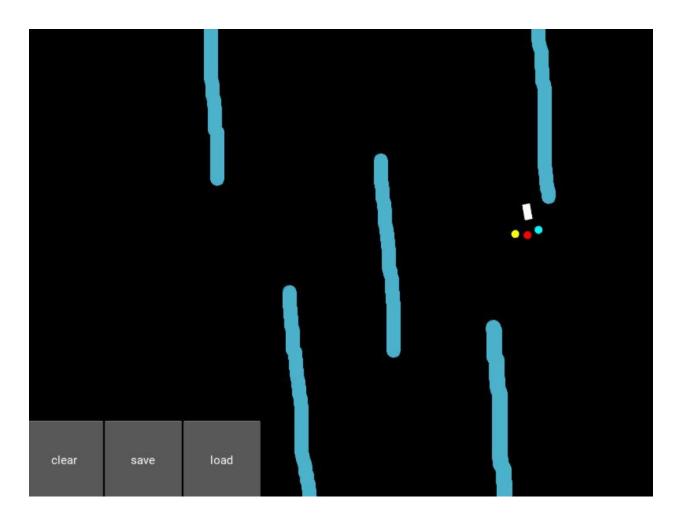


Figure 5 - Obstacle 1(Object traveling through obstacle)

The movement of the object through the obstacle is shown in Figure 5.

Module 3: Implementing Deep Q-Learning to train the object.

We built and trained our object to navigate its way avoiding any obstacles to its destination using Deep Q-Learning.

Assign functions for Load and Save buttons.

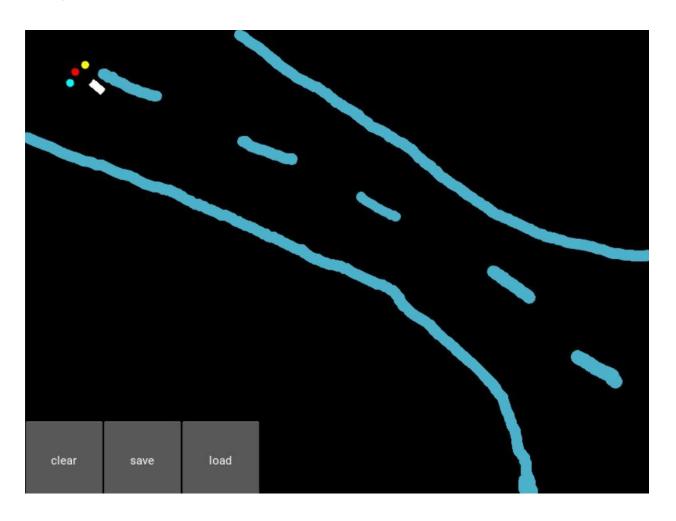


Figure 6 - Obstacle 2 (Object at the initial position)

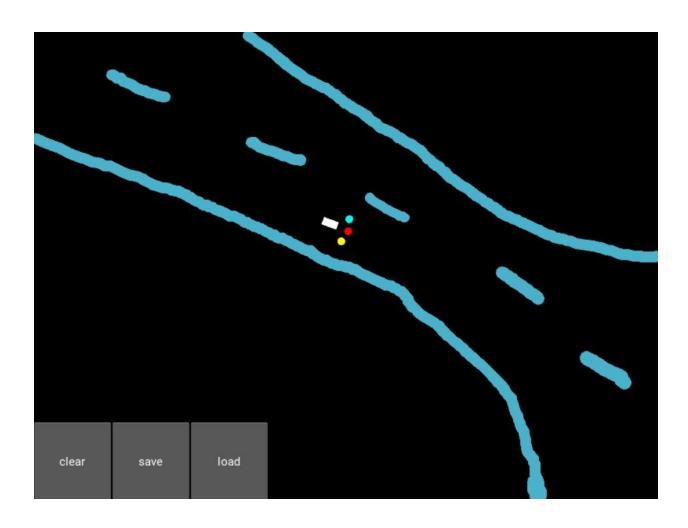


Figure 7- Obstacle 2(Object travelling)

Figure 7 shows the object travelling through the obstacle, to reach the destination.

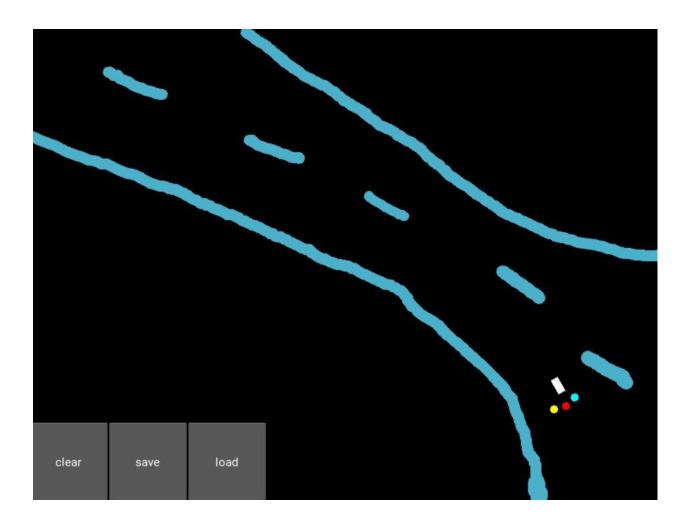


Figure 8 - Obstacle 2(Object reaching the destination)

Deep Q-Learning is used to train the object to learn the best route for the object to reach the destination, it checks all possible routes and then follows the best route, this is shown in figures 6, 7 and 8.

Functions are assigned for the load and save buttons.

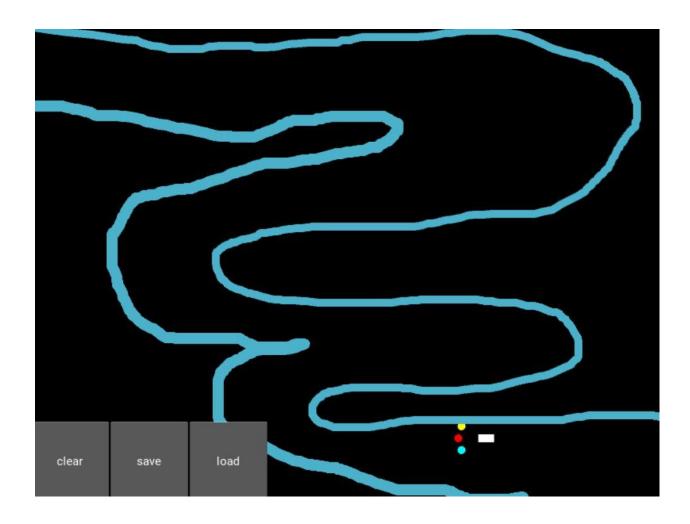


Figure 9 - Obstacle 3(Object starting at destination)

Figure 9 shows an object returning from the destination after reaching it, the program changes or alternates the start and destination points after a travel from start to end is completed.

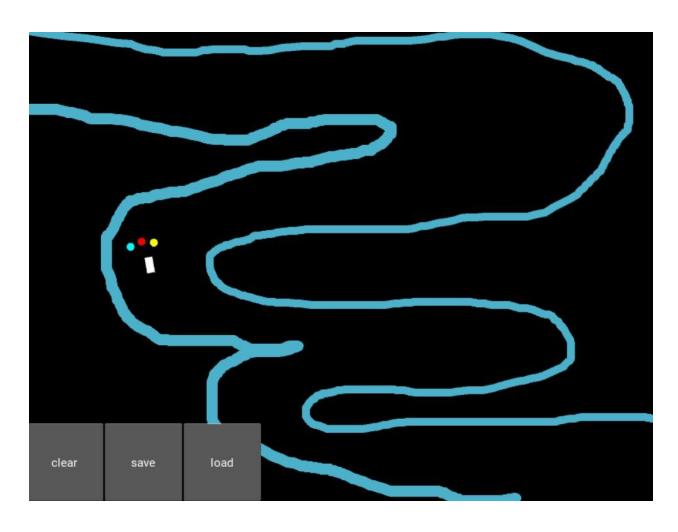


Figure 10 - Obstacle 3(Object Traversing)



Figure 11 - Obstacle 3(Object reaching its destination)

Figures 10 and 11 shows the object learning the environment, and it reaches the starting point back from the destination. This process continues repeatedly as the object learns the environment better and better. Finally the object follows the best path through the obstacle.

Performance Analysis:

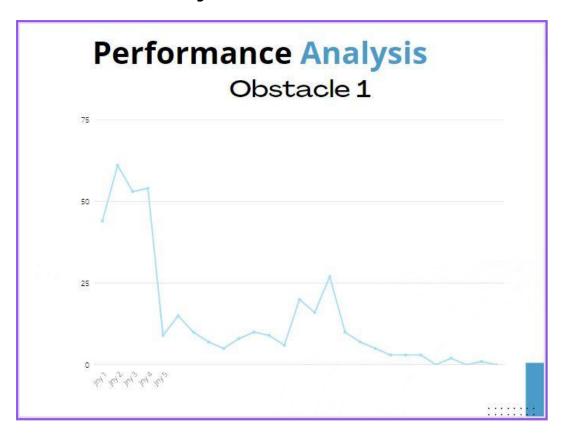


Figure 12 - Performance Analysis for Obstacle 1

Performance analysis is done for the environment in Obstacle-1(fig.5). First we can notice a lot of hits at the obstacle by the object. Once it learnt the environment, we can notice a drastic change in the no.of hits per journey.

Figure 11 - Obstacle 3(Object reaching its destination)

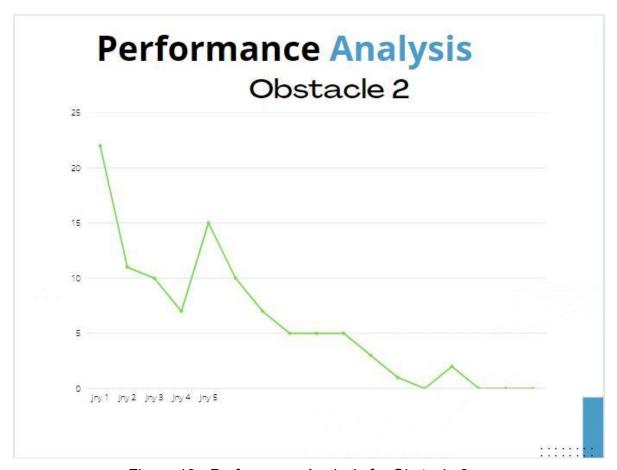


Figure 13 - Performance Analysis for Obstacle 2

Performance analysis is done for the environment in Obstacle-2(fig.6). First we can notice a lot of hits at the obstacle by the object . Once it learnt the environment , we can notice a drastic change in the no.of hits per journey.

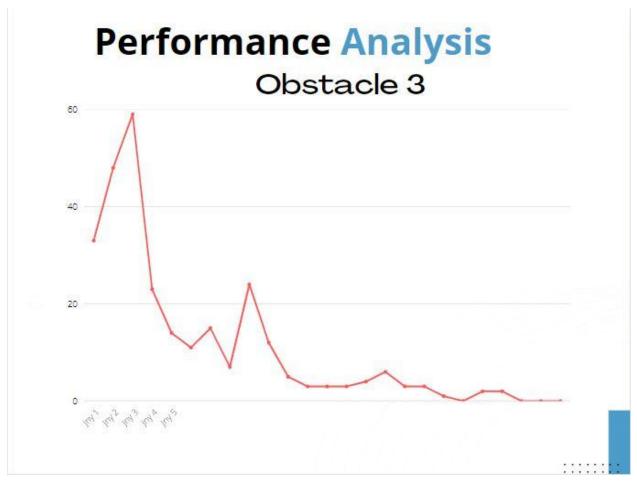


Figure 14 - Performance Analysis for Obstacle 3

Performance analysis is done for the environment in Obstacle-3(fig.9). First we can notice a lot of hits at the obstacle by the object. Once it learnt the environment, we can notice a drastic change in the no.of hits per journey.

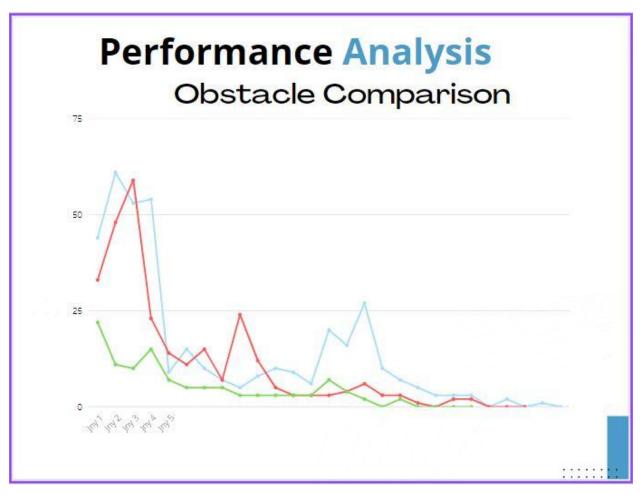


Figure 15 - Performance Analysis Comparison between all obstacle environments

Performance analysis comparison is done for all obstacle environments. This diagram depicts the complexity of each path. More the complexity, more the number of hits at the obstacle at the beginning.

Conclusion:

Thus we have presented a deep Q-learning based model trained in a virtual environment that is able to make decisions for navigation in an adaptive way. As inputs it took the information from the three sensors and its current orientation. As output it decided the Q-values for each of the actions of going straight, turning left or turning right. As for the rewards, we punished it badly for hitting the sand, punished it slightly for going in the wrong direction and rewarded it slightly for going in the right direction.

Kivy was used to emulate the fire environment and PyTorch was used to communicate data and controls between the virtual environment and the deep learning model. The model was successfully able to navigate extreme fires based on its acquired knowledge and experience.

This work serves as the foundation on which to build a deep learning framework that is capable of identifying objects within the environment and incorporating those objects into its decision making process in order to successfully deliver safe, navigable routes to firefighters.

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