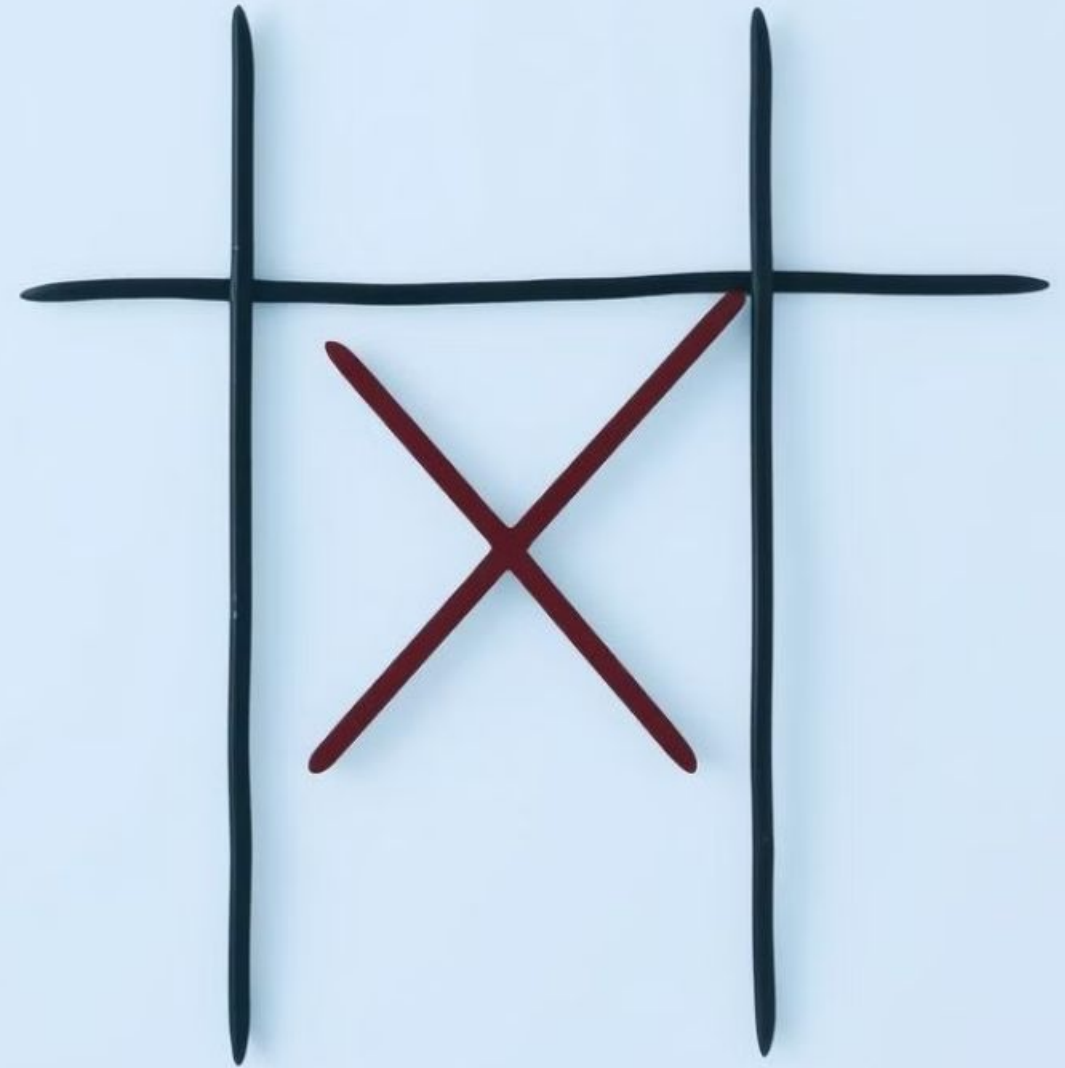


# Build up Tic-tac-toe by Reinforcement Learning

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# Algorithms

## Q-Learning

Q-Learning is an off-policy algorithm that learns the optimal action-value function (Q-value) by maximizing the expected future reward.

## SARSA

SARSA, an on-policy algorithm, learns the Q-value by following the current policy and updating it based on the actual chosen action.



# Q-Value Update Rules

1

## Q-Learning

$$Q(s, a) = Q(s, a) + \alpha[R + \gamma * \max_{a'} Q(s', a') - Q(s, a)]$$

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## SARSA

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# Implementation

## Methodology

1

### Environment Setup

The Tic-Tac-Toe environment was set up with a 3x3 grid, representing the game board.

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### Agent Training

Both agents were trained over 2000 episodes, with each episode comprising 10 games.

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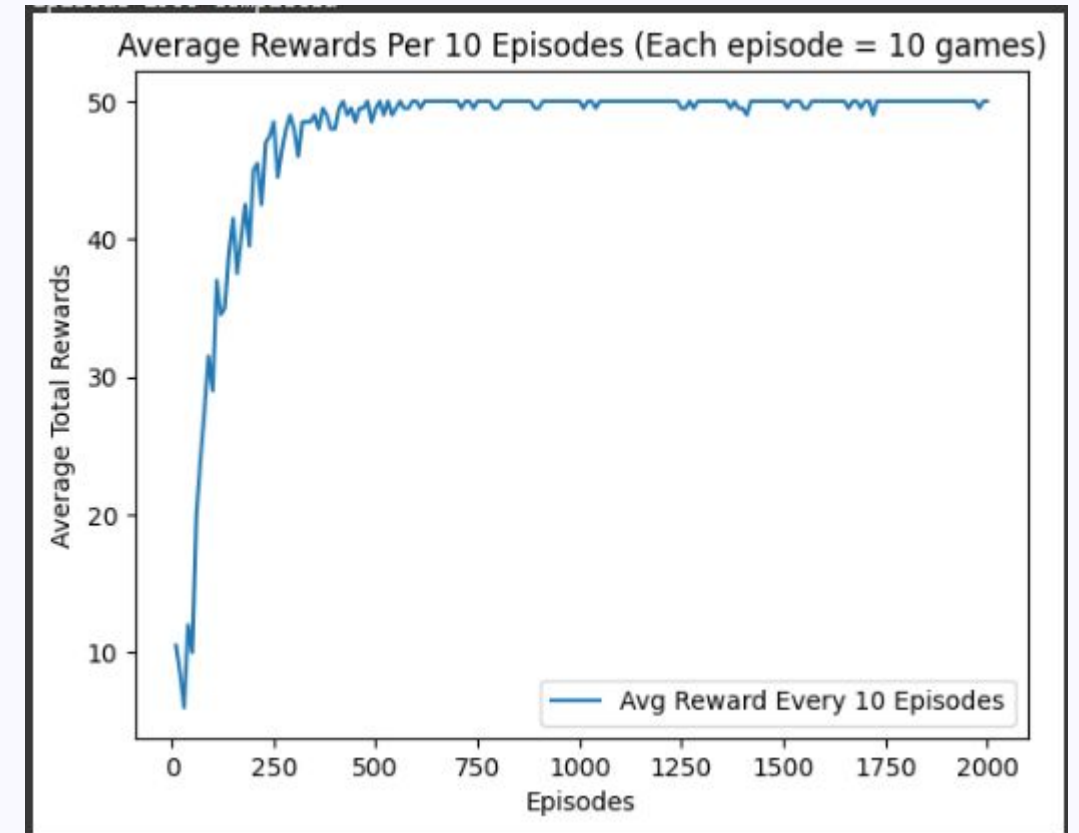
### Reward System

- State: list or array of 9 elements representing all the cells on the board (1:X, -1:O, 0:none).
- Action: represented by an index from 0 to 8.
- A reward system was implemented, with +5 for winning, -5 for losing, 0 for drawing, and -1 for invalid moves.



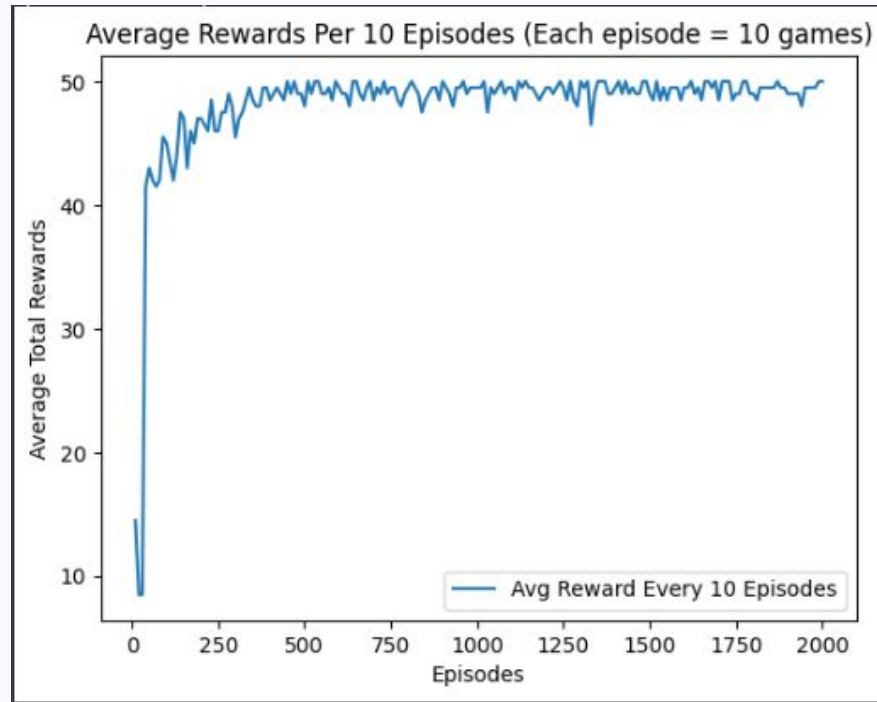
# Averaging for Smoother Results

To mitigate this issue and observe a clearer trend in the learning process, we averaged the rewards over every 10 episodes.

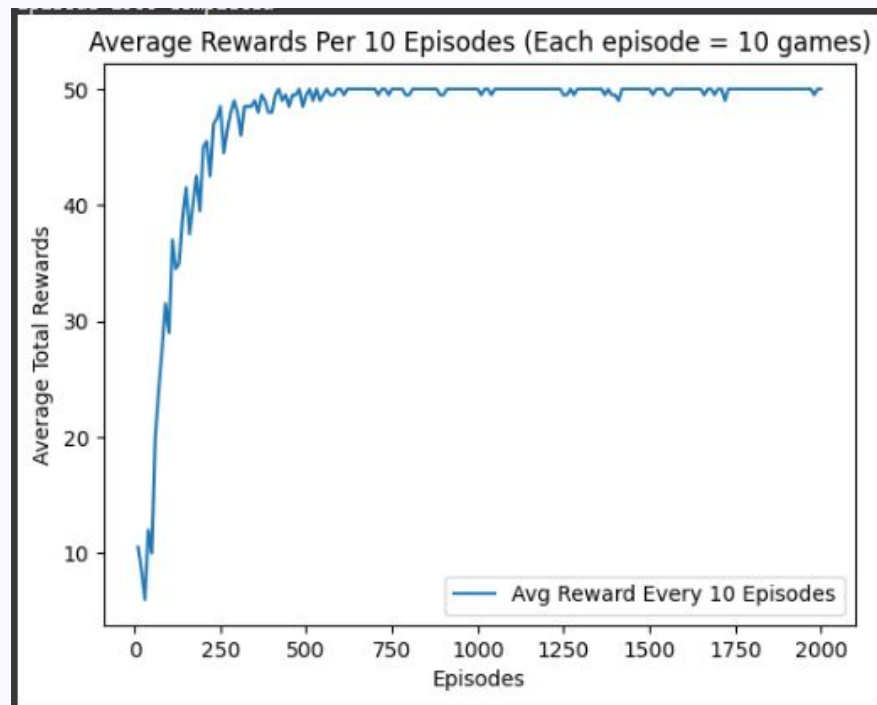


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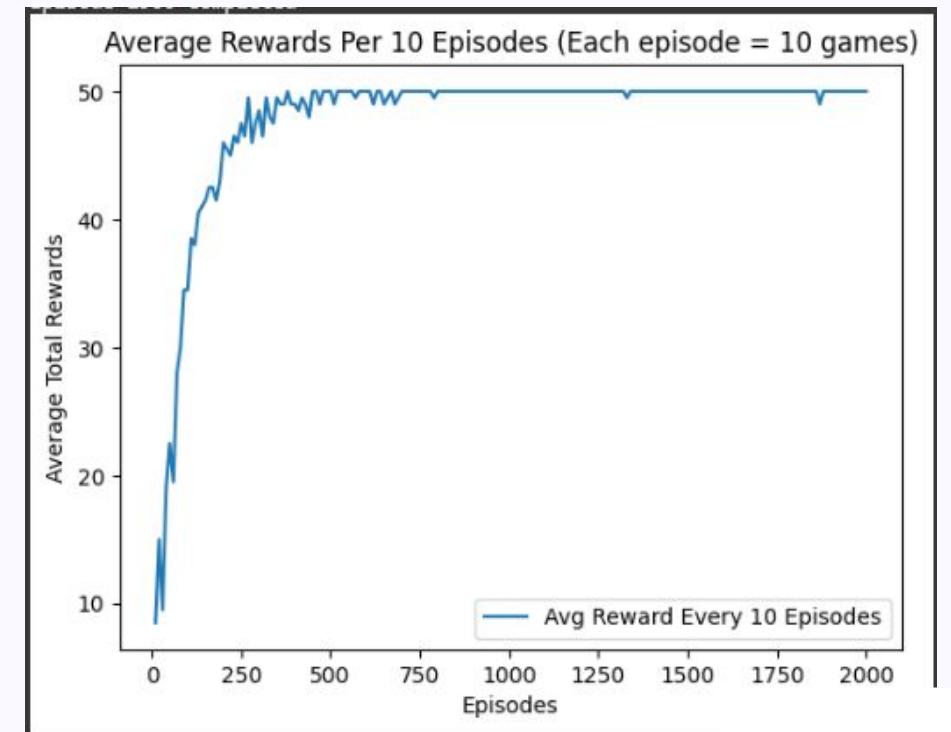
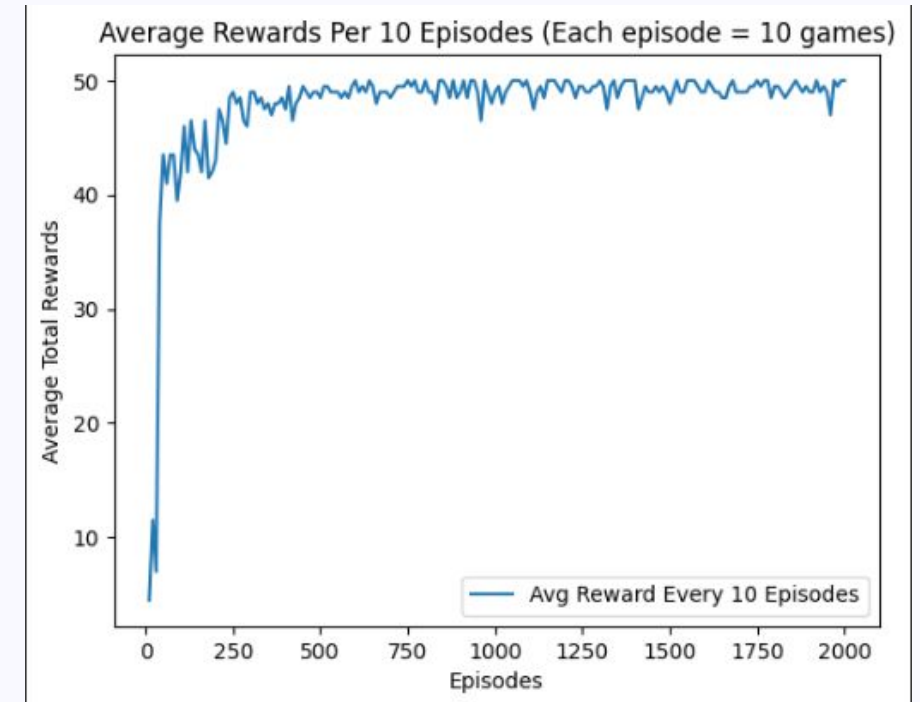
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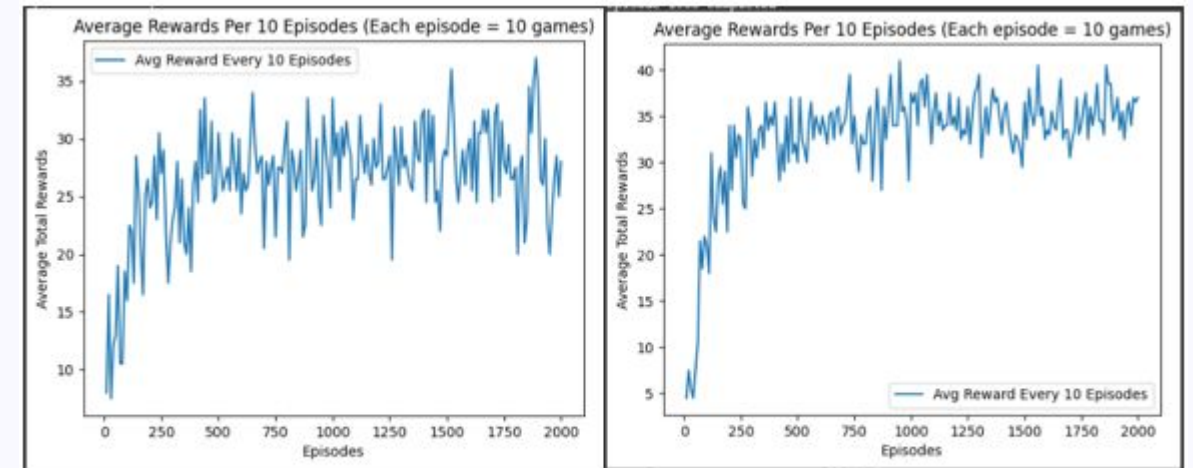
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# Decay Epsilon

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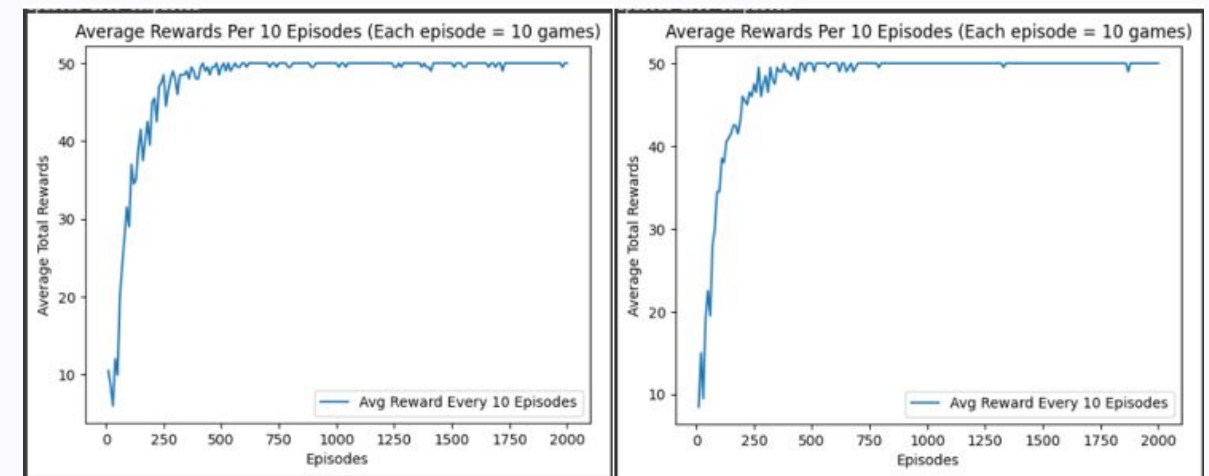
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#epsilon = 0,5  
if agent.epsilon > 0.01:  
    agent.epsilon *= 0.995
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Q-Learning

SARSA

Decay epsilon



Q-Learning

SARSA





# Head-to-Head Comparisons (10 matches)



Q-Learning Wins

5 Matches



SARSA Wins

5 Matches

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Summary of Results:  
Q-Learning wins: 5  
SARSA wins: 5  
Draws: 0  
(5, 5, 0)
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# Future Recommendations

1

## Complex Games

Future work could expand the project to more complex games, such as chess or Go.

2

## Parameter Tuning

Tuning learning parameters like alpha, gamma, and epsilon could provide further insights into the algorithms.

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