# Reduce Search Space On Competition Policy Learning for Malaria Control

#### 0. Problem Definition

# $S \in \{1,2,3,4,5\}$ Action $A_S = [a_{ITN},a_{IRS}]$ where $a_{ITN} \in [0,1]$ and $a_{IRS} \in [0,1]$ $\mathbf{Reward}$ $R_{\pi} \in (-\infty,\infty)$ Action $\underset{[TN,RS]}{\text{(ITN,RS)}}$ Action $\underset{[TN,RS]}{\text{(ITN,RS)}}$ Pear 1 Year 2 Year 5 Reward

- environment about this competition
  - only 20 opportunities to interact with the environment
  - Unreachable final evaluation environment when submitting final solution

# 1.1 Collect high score strategy - Using Q-learning

Q-learning

State 
$$s \in \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$$
  
Action  $A_s = [a_i, 1 - a_i],$   
 $a_i \in \{0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 1\}$   
epochs Run 1000 epochs  
SARSA SARSA performence better than  
Q-learning

# 1.2 Collect high score strategy - Using GA

Genetic Algotrithm

Initialization 
$$a_i \in \{0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 1\}$$
 epochs Run 200 epochs

Mutate 1. random . 2. change  $x$  to  $1-x$ 

Crossover Set  $A_s = [a_i, b_i]$ ,  $T = A_1, A_2, \cdot, A_5$ , let crossover point is  $A_3$  the operation is  $T = A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, A_5$ 
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 $T = A_3, A_4, A_5, A_1, A_2$ 

## 2. Analyze high performance policy

Collect high score strategy

- $1:[0.6,0.2], 2:[0.0,1.0], \cdots, 5:[0.6,0.8]$
- $1:[0.2,1.0], 2:[1.0,0.0], \dots, 5:[0.0,0.5]$
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- $1:[1.0,0.0], 2:[0.0,0.8], \dots, 5:[0.0,1.0]$

Analyze

- $A_i \approx 1$
- $|a_{i+1} a_i| = 1, |a_{i-1} a_i| = 1$
- $|b_{i+1} b_i| = 1$ ,  $|b_{i-1} b_i| = 1$
- $\sum A_i = 5$
- $a_i + b_i \approx 1$

► Test environment by hands

- when  $A_i = [1, 0], A_i = [1, 0]$ , the reward of  $A_{i+1}$  will be 0
- when  $A_i = [0, 1], A_i = [0, 1]$ , the reward of  $A_{i+1}$  will be 0
- when  $A_i = [1, 0], A_i = [0, 1]$ , the reward  $A_{i+1} \approx 100$
- when  $A_i = [0, 1], A_i = [1, 0]$ , the reward  $A_{i+1} \approx 100$

### 3.1 Reduce search space - Q-learning

Q-learning

Initialization  $a_i + b_i \approx 1$ ,  $|a_{i+1} - a_i| \ge 0.6$ , so as  $b_i$ Action  $A_s = [a_i, 1 - a_i]$ ,  $a_i \in \{0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 1\}$ , Check random policy  $|a_{i+1} - a_i| \ge 0.6$ , so as  $b_i$ 

Random Set more possibility to choose random policy at first epochs

policy For each  $A_i = [a_i, b_i]$ , we can set  $a_i = 0$  or  $b_i = 0$  to reduce search space, So the policy can look like  $[?, 0], [0, ?], \cdots, [?, 0]$ 

## 3.2 Reduce search space - GA

Q-learning

Initialization  $a_i + b_i \approx 1$ ,  $|a_{i+1} - a_i| \geq 0.6$ , so as  $b_i$  use policy like  $[?, 0], [0, ?], \cdots, [?, 0]$  mutate For mutate opertaion, force  $|a_{i+1} - a_i| \approx 1$ , so as  $b_i$ , force  $a_i + b_i \leq 1.4$