

DQN

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DQN

- ☐ Is based on an on-policy method.
 - ☐ Neither off-policy nor on-policy method
 - ☒ Is based on an off-policy method.
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2.

How can we speed up the DQN training process?

- ☐ Use upsampling.
 - ☐ Stack 4 last states together.
 - ☒ Parallelize learning.
 - ☐ Stack more layers.
 - ☒ Use smaller input.
 - ☒ Do not use pooling.
 - ☒ Use strides.
 - ☐ Use stacked state and action as input.
 - ☒ Use smaller model.
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Why do we need to stack four last frames while playing Atari games?

- ☐ Without such stacking a neural network will not learn (due to its depth).
 - ☐ It stabilises training.
 - ☐ At least two stacked frames is the only type of input accepted by a convolutional layer.
 - ☒ It makes Atari game fully observable.
 - ☐ It allows to obtain additional training data.
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4.

How can we help an agent to adapt to different scales of a reward signal?

- ☒ Adjust the agent learning rate.
 - ☒ Give the agent more training samples with lower learning rate.
 - ☐ Use moving average of last N rewards as a new reward.
 - ☐ Give the agent more training samples with same learning rate.
 - ☒ Adjust the reward signal gamma.
 - ☐ Give the agent more training samples with higher learning rate.
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5.

Why target networks are commonly used?

- ☒ It is a heuristic against the problem of correlated training data.
- ☐ Target networks use smaller amount of parameters.
- ☐ Target networks work faster.
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☐ They increase training stability in tasks, where the reward scale is not known beforehand.

☒ For training stabilization.

☐ They are mandatory when using an experience replay.

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What are the possible ways to improve experience replay (buffer)?

- ☐ Add more statistics to it, such as gamma, current learning rate, current step/epoch.
 - ☐ Sample whole sessions from an experience replay instead of single experience (S,A,R,S') tuples.
 - ☐ Use smaller buffer (up to 1 thousand).
 - ☒ Use samples more wisely – taking into account their contribution to the training process.
 - ☒ Use larger buffer (up to 1 million).
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