Navigation

July 31, 2022

1 Navigation

In this notebook, you will learn how to use the Unity ML-Agents environment for the first project of the Deep Reinforcement Learning Nanodegree.

1.0.1 1. Start the Environment

We begin by importing some necessary packages. If the code cell below returns an error, please revisit the project instructions to double-check that you have installed Unity ML-Agents and NumPy.

```
[1]: import random
    from collections import deque

import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
    import numpy as np
    import torch
    from unityagents import UnityEnvironment

from dqn_agent import Agent
    from model import DuelingQNetwork, QNetwork

%matplotlib inline

plt.ion()
```

Next, we will start the environment! **Before running the code cell below**, change the file_name parameter to match the location of the Unity environment that you downloaded.

- Mac: "path/to/Banana.app"
- Windows (x86): "path/to/Banana_Windows_x86/Banana.exe"
- Windows (x86_64): "path/to/Banana_Windows_x86_64/Banana.exe"
- Linux (x86): "path/to/Banana_Linux/Banana.x86"
- Linux (x86_64): "path/to/Banana_Linux/Banana.x86_64"
- Linux (x86, headless): "path/to/Banana_Linux_NoVis/Banana.x86"
- Linux (x86_64, headless): "path/to/Banana_Linux_NoVis/Banana.x86_64"

For instance, if you are using a Mac, then you downloaded Banana.app. If this file is in the same folder as the notebook, then the line below should appear as follows:

```
env = UnityEnvironment(file_name="Banana.app")
[2]: env = UnityEnvironment(file name="Banana Linux/Banana.x86 64")
    INFO:unityagents:
    'Academy' started successfully!
    Unity Academy name: Academy
            Number of Brains: 1
            Number of External Brains: 1
            Lesson number: 0
            Reset Parameters :
    Unity brain name: BananaBrain
            Number of Visual Observations (per agent): 0
            Vector Observation space type: continuous
            Vector Observation space size (per agent): 37
            Number of stacked Vector Observation: 1
            Vector Action space type: discrete
            Vector Action space size (per agent): 4
            Vector Action descriptions: , , ,
```

Environments contain *brains* which are responsible for deciding the actions of their associated agents. Here we check for the first brain available, and set it as the default brain we will be controlling from Python.

```
[3]: # get the default brain
brain_name = env.brain_names[0]
brain = env.brains[brain_name]
```

1.0.2 2. Examine the State and Action Spaces

The simulation contains a single agent that navigates a large environment. At each time step, it has four actions at its disposal: -0 - walk forward -1 - walk backward -2 - turn left -3 - turn right

The state space has 37 dimensions and contains the agent's velocity, along with ray-based perception of objects around agent's forward direction. A reward of +1 is provided for collecting a yellow banana, and a reward of -1 is provided for collecting a blue banana.

Run the code cell below to print some information about the environment.

```
[4]: # reset the environment
    env_info = env.reset(train_mode=True)[brain_name]

# number of agents in the environment
    print("Number of agents:", len(env_info.agents))

# number of actions
    action_size = brain.vector_action_space_size
    print("Number of actions:", action_size)
```

```
# examine the state space
state = env_info.vector_observations[0]
print("States look like:", state)
state_size = len(state)
print("States have length:", state_size)
```

```
Number of agents: 1
Number of actions: 4
States look like: [1.
                                                                 0.84408134 0.
                               0.
                                          0.
                                                      0.
0.
            1.
                                   0.0748472 0.
                       0.
                                                          1.
                       0.25755
 0.
            0.
                                   1.
                                              0.
                                                          0.
            0.74177343 0.
 0.
                                              0.
                                   1.
                                                          0.
0.25854847 0.
                       0.
                                   1.
                                              0.
                                                          0.09355672
 0.
            1.
                       0.
                                   0.
                                              0.31969345 0.
 0.
           1
States have length: 37
```

1.0.3 3. Train the agent

Here, we will use the Deep Q-Network (DQN) algorithm from Mnih et al. (2015). The model (model.py) consists of: * input size is 37 (state size) * 3 fully-connected layers * 64x64 nodes for the first two layers * ReLU activation is used for the output of FC1 and FC2. * ouptut size is 4 (number of possible actions)

I have modified the Agent class to accept both DQN and Dueling-DQN algorithm. In addition, the agent class can use Double-DQN to predict its next action state.

```
[5]: def dqn(
         n_episodes=2000,
         \max_{t=1000}
          eps_start=1.0,
          eps_end=0.01,
         eps_decay=0.995,
         score_cutoff=14.0,
          checkpoint_name="dqn.pth",
     ):
          """Deep Q-Learning.
         Params
              n_episodes (int): maximum number of training episodes
              max_t (int): maximum number of timesteps per episode
              eps_start (float): starting value of epsilon, for epsilon-greedy action ⊔
      \hookrightarrow selection
              eps_end (float): minimum value of epsilon
              eps\_decay (float): multiplicative factor (per episode) for decreasing_{\sqcup}
      \hookrightarrow epsilon
```

```
scores = [] # list containing scores from each episode
  scores_window = deque(maxlen=100) # last 100 scores
  eps = eps_start # initialize epsilon
  for i_episode in range(1, n_episodes + 1):
       env_info = env.reset(train_mode=True)[brain_name]
      state = env_info.vector_observations[0]
      score = 0
      for t in range(max_t):
           action = agent.act(state, eps)
           env_info = env.step(action)[brain_name]
          next_state = env_info.vector_observations[0]
          reward = env_info.rewards[0]
           done = env_info.local_done[0]
           agent.step(state, action, reward, next_state, done)
           state = next_state
           score += reward
           if done:
               break
      scores_window.append(score) # save most recent score
      scores.append(score) # save most recent score
      eps = max(eps_end, eps_decay * eps) # decrease epsilon
      print(
           "\rEpisode {}\tAverage Score: {:.2f}".format(
              i_episode, np.mean(scores_window)
           ),
           end="",
       )
       if i_episode % 100 == 0:
          print(
               "\rEpisode {}\tAverage Score: {:.2f}".format(
                   i_episode, np.mean(scores_window)
               )
           )
       if np.mean(scores_window) >= score_cutoff:
           print(
               "\nEnvironment solved in {:d} episodes!\tAverage Score: {:.2f}".
→format(
                   i_episode - 100, np.mean(scores_window)
               )
```

```
)
torch.save(agent.qnetwork_local.state_dict(), checkpoint_name)
break
return scores
```

1.0.4 Initialize Agent

```
[6]: # parameters
    n_episodes = 5000
    max_t = 2000
    eps_start = 1.0
    eps_end = 0.1
    eps_decay = 0.995
```

2 Vanilla DQN

```
[7]: # Initialize Agent
agent = Agent(
    qnetwork=QNetwork,
    update_type="dqn",
    state_size=state_size,
    action_size=action_size,
    seed=0,
)
```

```
Episode 100 Average Score: 1.00

Episode 200 Average Score: 4.23

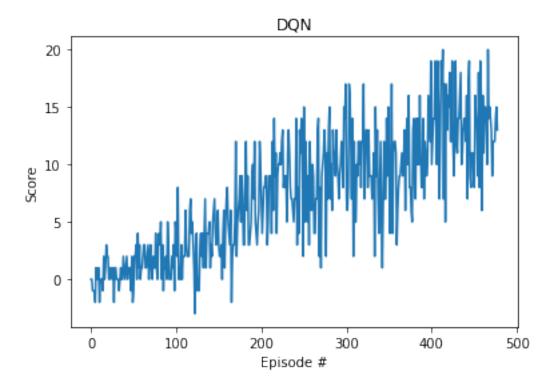
Episode 300 Average Score: 8.88

Episode 400 Average Score: 9.98

Episode 478 Average Score: 13.01

Environment solved in 378 episodes! Average Score: 13.01
```

```
[9]: # plot the scores
fig = plt.figure()
ax = fig.add_subplot(111)
plt.plot(np.arange(len(scores)), scores)
plt.ylabel("Score")
plt.xlabel("Episode #")
plt.title("DQN")
plt.savefig("dqn_scores.png", bbox_inches="tight")
```



```
[10]: agent.qnetwork_local.load_state_dict(torch.load("dqn.pth"))
```

Score: 16.0

3 Dueling DQN

```
Episode 100 Average Score: 0.51

Episode 200 Average Score: 3.88

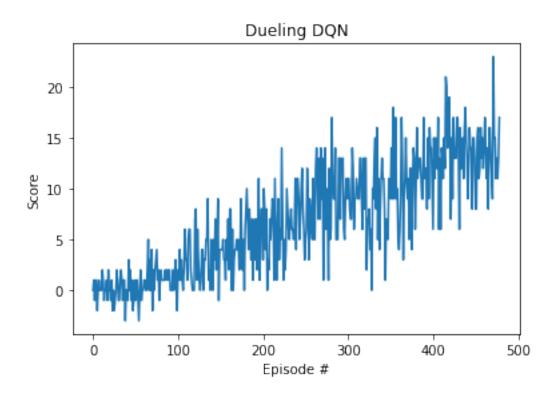
Episode 300 Average Score: 7.61

Episode 400 Average Score: 9.97

Episode 479 Average Score: 13.02

Environment solved in 379 episodes! Average Score: 13.02
```

```
[14]: # plot the scores
    fig = plt.figure()
    ax = fig.add_subplot(111)
    plt.plot(np.arange(len(scores)), scores)
    plt.ylabel("Score")
    plt.xlabel("Episode #")
    plt.title("Dueling DQN")
    plt.savefig("dueling_dqn_scores.png", bbox_inches="tight")
```



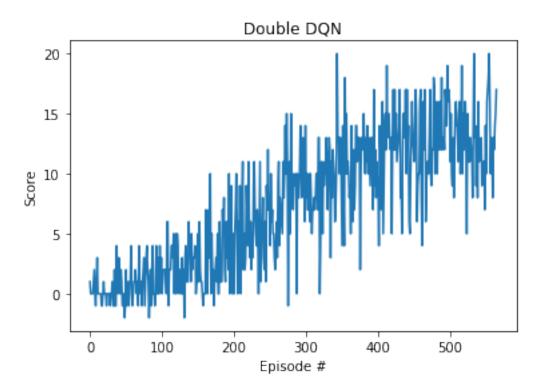
```
[15]: agent.qnetwork_local.load_state_dict(torch.load("dueling-dqn.pth"))
```

```
[16]: # Watch trained Agent
      env_info = env.reset(train_mode=False)[brain_name] # reset the environment
      state = env_info.vector_observations[0] # get the current state
      score = 0 # initialize the score
      while True:
          action = agent.act(state) # select an action
          env_info = env.step(action)[brain_name] # send the action to the_
      \rightarrow environment
          next_state = env_info.vector_observations[0] # get the next state
          reward = env_info.rewards[0] # get the reward
          done = env_info.local_done[0] # see if episode has finished
          score += reward # update the score
          state = next_state # roll over the state to next time step
          if done: # exit loop if episode finished
             break
      print("Score: {}".format(score))
```

Score: 19.0

4 Double DQN

```
[17]: # Initialize Agent
      agent = Agent(
          qnetwork=QNetwork,
          update_type="double-dqn",
          state_size=state_size,
          action_size=action_size,
          seed=0,
[18]: # train the agent
      scores = dqn(
          n_episodes,
          max_t,
          eps_start,
          eps_end,
          eps_decay,
          score_cutoff=13.0,
          checkpoint_name="double-dqn.pth",
      )
     Episode 100
                     Average Score: 0.62
     Episode 200
                     Average Score: 2.65
     Episode 300
                     Average Score: 6.83
     Episode 400
                     Average Score: 10.04
                     Average Score: 12.54
     Episode 500
     Episode 565
                     Average Score: 13.00
     Environment solved in 465 episodes!
                                              Average Score: 13.00
[19]: # plot the scores
      fig = plt.figure()
      ax = fig.add_subplot(111)
      plt.plot(np.arange(len(scores)), scores)
      plt.ylabel("Score")
      plt.xlabel("Episode #")
      plt.title("Double DQN")
      plt.savefig("double-dqn_scores.png", bbox_inches="tight")
```



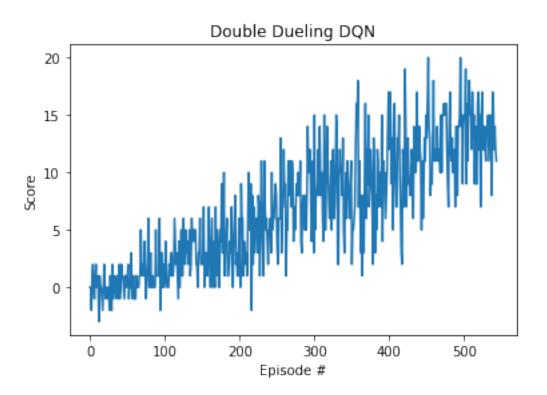
```
[20]: agent.qnetwork_local.load_state_dict(torch.load("double-dqn.pth"))
```

```
[21]: # Watch trained Agent
      env_info = env.reset(train_mode=False)[brain_name] # reset the environment
      state = env_info.vector_observations[0] # get the current state
      score = 0 # initialize the score
      while True:
          action = agent.act(state) # select an action
          env_info = env.step(action)[brain_name] # send the action to the_
      \rightarrow environment
          next_state = env_info.vector_observations[0] # get the next state
          reward = env_info.rewards[0] # get the reward
          done = env_info.local_done[0] # see if episode has finished
          score += reward # update the score
          state = next_state # roll over the state to next time step
          if done: # exit loop if episode finished
             break
      print("Score: {}".format(score))
```

Score: 11.0

5 Double Dueling DQN

```
[22]: # Initialize Agent
      agent = Agent(
          qnetwork=DuelingQNetwork,
          update_type="double-dqn",
          state_size=state_size,
          action_size=action_size,
          seed=0,
[23]: # train the agent
      scores = dqn(
          n_episodes,
          max_t,
          eps_start,
          eps_end,
          eps_decay,
          score_cutoff=13.0,
          checkpoint_name="double-dueling-dqn.pth",
      )
     Episode 100
                     Average Score: 0.58
     Episode 200
                     Average Score: 2.97
     Episode 300
                     Average Score: 6.32
     Episode 400
                     Average Score: 8.87
     Episode 500
                     Average Score: 11.81
     Episode 544
                     Average Score: 13.02
     Environment solved in 444 episodes!
                                              Average Score: 13.02
[24]: # plot the scores
      fig = plt.figure()
      ax = fig.add_subplot(111)
      plt.plot(np.arange(len(scores)), scores)
      plt.ylabel("Score")
      plt.xlabel("Episode #")
      plt.title("Double Dueling DQN")
      plt.savefig("double_dueling_dqn_scores.png", bbox_inches="tight")
```



```
[25]: agent.qnetwork_local.load_state_dict(torch.load("double-dueling-dqn.pth"))
```

```
[26]: # Watch trained Agent
      env_info = env.reset(train_mode=False)[brain_name]
                                                         # reset the environment
      state = env_info.vector_observations[0] # get the current state
      score = 0 # initialize the score
      while True:
          action = agent.act(state) # select an action
          env_info = env.step(action)[brain_name] # send the action to the_
      \rightarrow environment
          next_state = env_info.vector_observations[0] # get the next state
          reward = env_info.rewards[0] # get the reward
          done = env_info.local_done[0] # see if episode has finished
          score += reward # update the score
          state = next_state # roll over the state to next time step
          if done: # exit loop if episode finished
              break
      print("Score: {}".format(score))
```

Score: 15.0

When finished, you can close the environment.

[27]: env.close()

5.0.1 4. Future directions

Possible ideas to experiment to improve learning is to apply other DQN-based algorithms: * Learning from multi-step bootstrap targets * Distributional DQN * Noisy DQN * Rainbow - combines 6 different DQN algorithms

[]: