Proximal Policy Optimization Algorithms

From AutoAugment

Overview

Algorithm 1 PPO, Actor-Critic Style for iteration=1,2,... do for actor=1,2,..., N do Run policy $\pi_{\theta_{\text{old}}}$ in environment for T timesteps Compute advantage estimates $\hat{A}_1, \ldots, \hat{A}_T$ end for Optimize surrogate L wrt θ , with K epochs and minibatch size $M \leq NT$ $\theta_{\text{old}} \leftarrow \theta$ end for

Pi - Actor

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Pi – N parallel Actors

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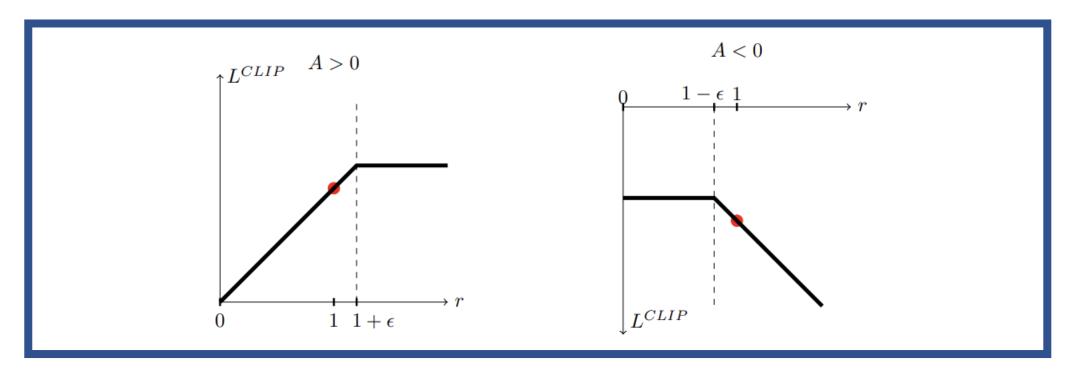
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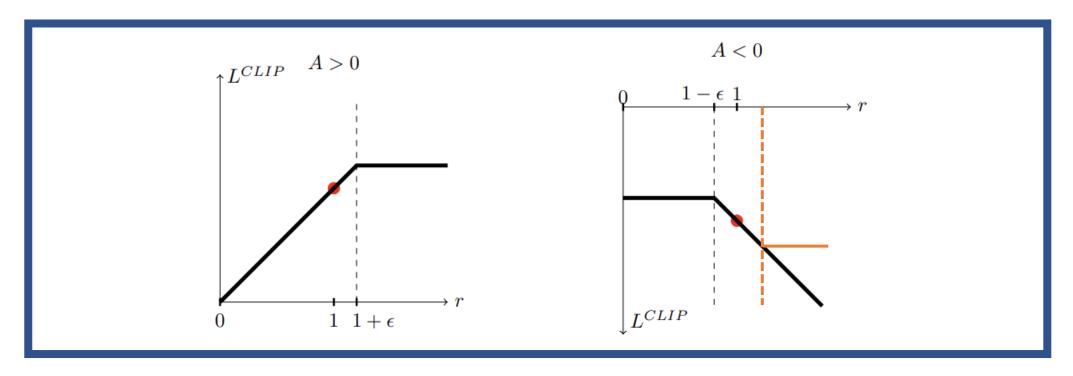
$$\hat{A}_t = \delta_t + (\gamma \lambda)\delta_{t+1} + \dots + (\gamma \lambda)^{T-t+1}\delta_{T-1}, \tag{11}$$

where
$$\delta_t = r_t + \gamma V(s_{t+1}) - V(s_t)$$
 (12)



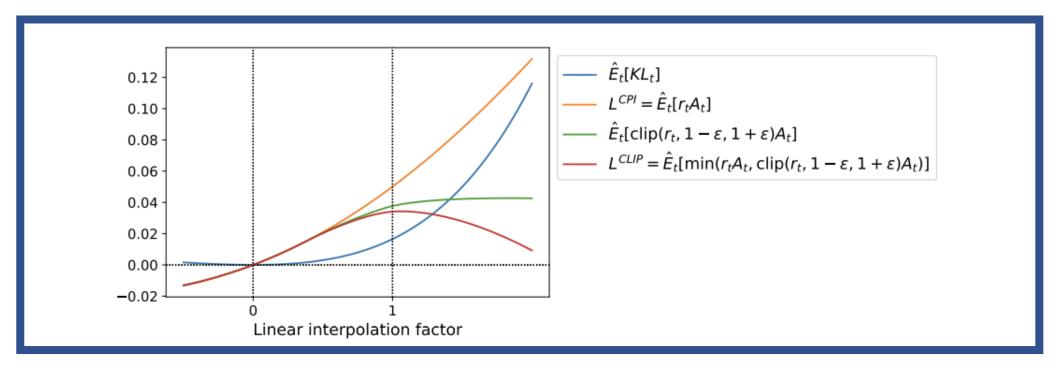
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$$L_t^{CLIP+VF+S}(\theta) = \hat{\mathbb{E}}_t \left[L_t^{CLIP}(\theta) - c_1 L_t^{VF}(\theta) + c_2 S[\pi_{\theta}](s_t) \right], \tag{9}$$

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Test Results on Atari Domain ??

	A2C	ACER	PPO	Tie
(1) avg. episode reward over all of training	1	18	30	0
(2) avg. episode reward over last 100 episodes	1	28	19	1

