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Q-Learning / Reinforcement notes

- Generalization using q tables and machine learning



- here we try to build the table completely, pretty much
- With careful exploration, it seems like we could cover all states
 - this is possible because the states are of a manageable finite #
 - We could predict total number of states ahead of time
 - use our random starting place and work back to goal in the exploration.
 - We could identify non-visited states and start there
 - We could intentionally take less than optimal paths

* Once table is built, how do we generalize our knowledge?

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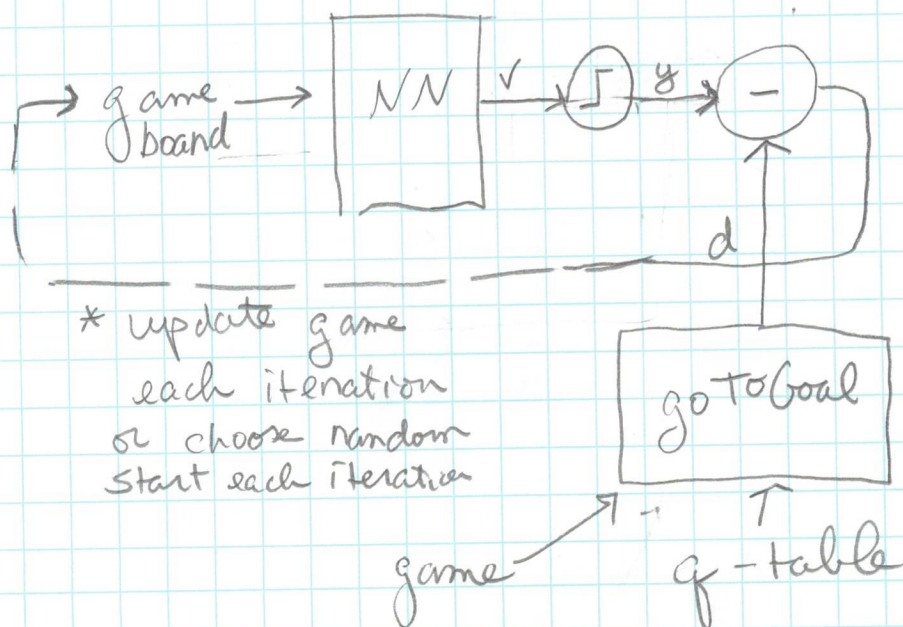
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 1 2 3
 # 0 = = = P = = = = C = #

A table for this board configuration
 will not work for this board configuration

= C = = = = P = = = 0

It would cause a loss every time.

Two approaches - if 'P' has more info maybe
 or if we train a neural network from
 the tables / say we use 6 tables and then
 see if it generalizes

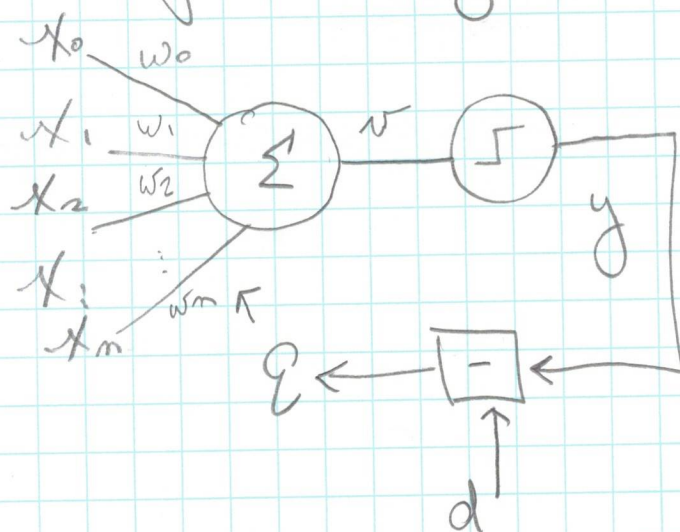


input - game board

output - player direction

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architectures for training the NN



Here we need input / desired value pairs

The next step is to let the q Table and the goToGoal function provide the desired value - d

- We can switch back and forth between 2 or more games and their q tables

$$O = P = C$$

cheese on right

$$C = P = O$$

cheese on left.

Neural net should generalize and always send P to cheese

③ Implementation Details

Step 1

- Develop q-table for cheese on right side of game
- play a game. During the game,
 - record each game board - these ^{will be} inputs
 - each action taken as guided by the q-table - these will become desired values
- Do the above for a game with cheese on the left.

Step 2

- Create an input set with the games played, that is, the recorded steps of the games played, each step has its matching desired value, as directed by the q table.

$$\text{inputs} = \begin{bmatrix} [\text{input}_0] & [\text{input}_1] & \dots \\ & \dots & [\text{input}_{n-1}] \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{desired} = [[d_0], [d_1] \dots [d_{n-1}]]$$

- Using neuro lab, create a perceptron and train it with the inputs and desired values
- use net. sim to test the network