Model-Based Reinforcement Learning for Static Point Source Localization in a 3D Simulation.*

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Index Terms—reinforcement learning, q-learning, source localization.

I. INTRODUCTION

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Demonstrated methods of source localization such as local search and optimization problems guided by chemotaxis are not efficient for large search environments or remote isolated sources due to their affinity for local minima and maxima. The contribution of this work aims to implement an RL method that balances the trade-off between exploration and exploitation to efficiently locate and navigate toward the "source" in a relatively large static environment

II. RELATED WORKS

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III. METHODS

A python interface was implemented to simulate an agent and a three-dimensional environment. A uniform concentration gradient

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was applied around a source point which the agents goal was to locate. The agent was trained using Direct Utility Estimation

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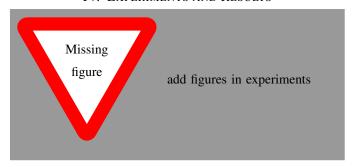


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