

Generative Poker Agent

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1 Introduction

In this article i will try to solve with a geneartive model that describes the world of Poker (Texas Holdm) agent, each step the agent will need to choose the optimal move (given the cards) in way that maximize the expectation value of winning ,due the fact the world is described by generative model , we could point why the agent decdied to play with a particular move, from this implementation we could maybe genralize to the world of decision support system (dss) when proffesionals need to take decision and make actions about the world when there are some hidden information, neural networks approach as a disadvantage because the proffesional can't say why a specific action is the optimal.

2 Draft and directions

2.1 Modeling the world

my hand will be model with variable $mh = mh_1, mh_2$ and the distirbution of each card is $mh_i \sim U(1, 52)$

we can think how we will model the target , the rank of the hands , the update of the state, the money factor, maybe will talk about mdp.

the baysian model is what the distribution to get $P(\text{HandStrength}=X \mid \text{all the visible card})$ and maybe maximize the expectation of this as regards to other hands.

the hands and the probality to get them, the rankings and probalities !add table!

2.2 Stages

the game is compunded by some discrete stages (simplify our problem):

the hole cards -

the flop -

the turn -

the river -

in each stage the marganilization over the cards is decreasing and in end there is only the the evaluation stage

2.3 Goal

from wikipedia - The objective of winning players is not to win every individual hand, but rather to make mathematically and psychologically better decisions regarding when and how much to bet, raise, call or fold. Winning poker players work to enhance their opponents' betting and maximize their own expected gain on each round of betting, to thereby increase their long-term winnings

2.4 Success Measuring

1. expectation of winning with strategy S
2. simplicity of the model

2.5 generalalizations

AI that can "explain" its steps

2.6 Branches and Studies

1. AI - mdp , bayesian analysis , ML? , games and search
2. Game Theory - Nash equilibrium
3. Statistics
4. Texas Holdm game

3 Model

3.1 Approaches

there several approaches we can deal with in this work:

1. learning the strategies of the opponents
2. how to maximize money from each hand
3. how to win most of the hands
4. pre-calculated strategies

will introduce number notations and probability distributions

4 Implemetation

4.1 CardMatrix

the implemenatation framework is

5 Results

the quality of the output of the agent

5.1 PokerWars

we can test our poker bot with pokerwars.io , with competition with other bots.
the api is in <https://www.pokerwars.io/how-to-play.html>

6 Summery

7 Related Work

Cepheus - university of alberta - Computer Poker Research Group (CPRG)
(2015) - "Heads-up limit hold'em poker is solved" - 0.000986 big blinds per game

DeepStack - working with deeplearning.

Pluribus - Facebook with Carnegie Mellon University - "the first bot to beat humans in a complex multiplayer competition"

GTO+ - commercial bot , among many other comercial bots

there is none genearive models that i find that try to solve it

8 Discussion