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Inverse RL

RL: Given samples S, A, P, R, d_0, γ find π^*

IRL: " " $S, A, P, d_0, \gamma, \pi^*$ find R

↳ E.g., learning from demonstration (LFD)

- Abstraction selection

e.g.
 $R_t = W^T \phi(S_t)$

Multiagent RL

Stochastic game generalization of an MDP

$(\mathcal{S}, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n, R_1, R_2, \dots, R_n, d_0, \gamma)$

$P(S_{t+1}, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n, S') = \Pr(S_{t+1} = S' | S_t = s, A_1 = a_1, \dots, A_n = a_n)$

$R_i(S, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n, S')$

- Fully cooperative if $\forall i, j, R_i = R_j$

- otherwise, need to employ Game Theory \rightarrow equilibria

Pareto Frontier + multi-objective optimization

Let f_1, \dots, f_n be n objectives, where each $f_i: \mathcal{X} \Rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

The Pareto frontier is a set of solutions:

$$P \triangleq \{x \in \mathcal{X} : \forall x' \in \mathcal{X} : (\exists i : f_i(x') > f_i(x)) \Rightarrow (\exists j : f_j(x') < f_j(x))\}$$

making f_i better makes f_j worse

RL Theory

PAC-MDP: Probably approximately correct in MDPs

(To probability $1 - \delta$, after a fixed number of time steps less than a polynomial in $|\mathcal{S}|, |\mathcal{A}|, 1/\epsilon, 1/\delta$, and $1/(1-\gamma)$, it returns a policy whose expected return is within ϵ of $J(\pi^*)$.)

- Sample complexity: the polynomial fn. [Kakade 2003]

Hoeffding's Inequality

Let x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n be n i.i.d. random variables
s.t. $\mu = \mathbb{E}[x_i]$ and $x_i \in [a, b]$ (or $\Pr(x_i \in [a, b]) = 1$)

then
$$\Pr\left(\mu \geq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - (b-a) \sqrt{\frac{\ln 1/\delta}{2n}}\right) \geq 1 - \delta$$

↓

Theory: 4x4, 5x5 grid world Lattimore/Hutter 2015
↳ 10^{17} steps to guarantee within 10% to high prob.

Kearns (sp?) + Singh 1998

Regret

The regret of an algorithm over $T = K \cdot L$ time steps
is
$$\text{Regret}(K) \triangleq \sum_{k=1}^K v^*(S_k) - v^{\pi_k}(S_k)$$

some constant ↓ horizon ↙

UCB + Thompson Sampling

Bandit problem: Always choose bandits w/ higher upper bounds (e.g., via Hoeffding's)
↳ Sample according probability distributions that you update as you go. Ian Osband

Lower bound: $\Omega\left(\sqrt{HSAT}\right)$
↳ $L = \text{horizon}$

Azar, Osband, Munos: $\tilde{O}\left(\sqrt{HSAT} + H^2 S^2 A + H\sqrt{T}\right)$
(upper bound, i.e., an algorithm)

Off-policy (policy) evaluation

$D = \{H_i\}_{i=1}^n$ $H: \pi_b \leftarrow$ behavior policy

Goal: estimate $J(\pi_e)$ given D, π_b

Method 1: model-based

Method 2: sampling-based: Importance sampling

$$\hat{J}(\pi_e, D) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\Pr(H_i | \pi_e)}{\Pr(H_i | \pi_b)} g(H_i)$$

discounted sum of rewards

adjusts for likelihood of different histories H_i under different policies.

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{d_0(s_0) \pi_e(a_1 | s_1) P(s_1, a_1, s_2) P(R_1) \dots \cdot g(H_i)}{d_0(s_0) \pi_b(a_1 | s_1) P(s_1, a_1, s_2) P(R_1) \dots} \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\pi_e(a_1 | s_1) \pi_e(a_2 | s_2) \dots \cdot g(H_i)}{\pi_b(a_1 | s_1) \pi_b(a_2 | s_2) \dots} \end{aligned}$$

Batch RL - works from a batch of data from one policy
 \hookrightarrow get a better policy

Safe RL - all policy moves are improvements

Average reward RL - average, not discounted, reward

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Deep Learning RL

DL \rightarrow gives a function approximation space

RL \rightarrow how to train a fu. approx. for sequential decision problems (MDPs)

Q learning + Convolutional neural net + experience replay
 \hookrightarrow tweaked to use target net

Dueling networks 199x Baird's Advantage Updating

\hookrightarrow Atari