# SOSCON Unity ML-Agents

Development of AI Agents Using Unity ML-Agents

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### **Kyushik Min**

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- Research Topics
  - Self Driving Car, Driver Assistance System, Artificial Intelligence, Reinforcement Learning
- Career
  - Unity Masters
  - Manager of Reinforcement Learning Korea (Facebook Page)
  - Creative Application Award Winner at ML-Agents Challenge
  - Doing Research and writing papers using ML-Agents
  - Conducting numerous seminars and lectures on ML-Agents



**Reinforcement Learning** 



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### **Machine Learning**

Machine Learning

- Research areas that give computers the ability to learn without explicit programming

- Types of Machine Learning
  - Supervised Learning, Unsupervised Learning, Reinforcement Learning



Supervised Learning



Unsupervised Learning



**Reinforcement Learning** 



#### **Reinforcement Learning**

- Learning by Reward
- Perform various experiences through trial and error
- Learn to choose actions in a way that maximizes rewards





### **Reinforcement Learning**

• Training Process of Reinforcement Learning









#### Environment



### AlphaGo (2016)





### AlphaGo Zero (2017)



### **OpenAI Five (2018)**





### AlphaStar (2019)





#### Locomotion



#### DeepMimic

DeepMimic: Example-Guided Deep Reinforcement Learning of Physics-Based Character Skills



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#### **Reinforcement Learning Korea**



https://www.facebook.com/groups/ReinforcementLearningKR/



#### **Reinforcement Learning Korea**

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#### https://github.com/reinforcement-learning-kr/how\_to\_study\_rl

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#### **Reinforcement Learning**

• Training Process of Reinforcement Learning





Action (a)

Jump, forward, backward, run, …



#### Environment



#### **Reinforcement Learning**

Agent



Deep Q Network Rainbow DQN Deep Deterministic Policy Gradient Trust Region Policy Optimization Proximal Policy Optimization

#### Environment



OpenAI GYM Atari Super Mario Mujoco Malmo



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#### If you are using a created environment...



Difficulties modifying the environment



May not have the required environment



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#### Need to create RL environment



Concerns of people who study RL

Create an environment for testing RL

#### Unity

- Game engine that provides the development environment for 2D & 3D video games
- Also applied to various industries such as 3D animation, architectural visualization, VR
- Over 45% of the game engine market, over 5 million registered developers



### Unity





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#### **Agent and Environment**



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#### **Agent and Environment**



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#### **Unity ML-Agents**



Released 2017.09.19 -> Beta 0.10.0



- API to simplify configuration for RL in Unity environments
- Communication between Python and Unity environment (State, Action, Reward)
- Consists of Agent, Brain, Academy
  - Agent: Code for the Agent, configuration for Obs, action, reward
  - Brain: Determine how to control agents (Player, Heuristic, Learning)
  - Academy: Integrated management of brain, various settings for environment



**Unity ML-Agents** 



: Single Agent



: Adversarial Agents





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: Imitation Learning















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Development Case using Unity ML-Agents



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#### Machine Learning Camp Jeju 2017

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#### **Project Proposal**

- Various Advanced Driver Assistance Systems (ADAS) are already commercialized, including lane keeping and lane changes.
- Autonomous driving is possible with a combination of ADAS
- The challenge is to determine which ADAS controls the vehicle in every state



#### **Project Proposal**

- In case of RL, prediction of action selection is hard
- Applying collision avoidance systems such as AEB and lane change prevention
- Use sensors such as cameras, LIDAR, and RADAR that are used in autonomous vehicles
- But there is no simulator that satisfies the desired condition



Collision Avoidance Systems

Camera, LIDAR, RADAR

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#### Simulator





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#### Simulator (Observations)



#### Simulator (Actions)



(5)

#### Simulator (Reward)

$r_{v,max}$	1
$v_{max}$	80km/h
$v_{min}$	40km/h
$r_{collision}$	-10
$r_{lc}$	-0.25
$r_{overtake}$	0.5

$$r_{v}(v) = \frac{v - v_{min}}{v_{max} - v_{min}} r_{v,max}$$
(1)  

$$r_{col} = \begin{cases} -r_{collision} & \text{if host vehicle colides} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(2)  

$$r_{lc} = \begin{cases} -r_{lanechange} & \text{if host vehicle changes lane} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(3)  

$$r_{overtake} = \begin{cases} r_{overtake} & \text{if host vehicle overtake other vehicle} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$
(4)  

$$r_{tot}(v) = r_{v}(v) + r_{col} + r_{lc} + r_{overtake} \end{cases}$$
(5)





#### **Network Architecture**



#### **Communication between Python & Unity**



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#### Result





#### **Communication between Python & Unity**

- Implemented using Socket communication, but there are many unstable parts and bugs
  - Problem with communication interruption
  - Lots of coding is required for small changes in the environment
  - Synchronization Problems Between Communications
  - Issue with speed differences between Unity and Python code
- Trying to solve problems for about 1~2 months
  - About 70% of all problems were solved
  - It was scheduled for release on Github



#### ML-Agents released (2017.09.19)





#### **ML-Agents Challenge**



### **ML-Agents Challenge**

- Apply ML-Agents to the environment created in Jeju Camp
- Made with a simpler environment (static obstacles)





#### **ML-Agents Challenge**





#### **ML-Agents Challenge**





#### 2018 IEEE IV Conference





Overtake

Average Overtake / 5 Episodes of DRL algorithms

Multi Input

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 Image Sensor

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# of Average Overtaking

#### **2018 IEEE IV Conference**



Camera Only	71.0776	15	35.2667
LIDAR Only	71.3758	14.2667	38.0667
Multi-Input	75.0212	19.4	44.8

#### 2018 IEEE IV Conference





#### 2018 IEEE IV Conference

2018 IEEE Intelligent Vehicles Symposium (IV) Changshu, Suzhou, China, June 26-30, 2018

#### Deep Q Learning Based High Level Driving Policy Determination

Kyushik Min, Hayoung Kim and Kunsoo Huh, Member, IEEE





### IEEE T-IV

- Driving situation is stochastic environment
- Even the same action in the same state can have different results!
- General RL: predicting the value as one scalar value





#### IEEE T-IV

- Distributional RL
  - Predict the value which agent will receive in the future as a probability distribution
  - Better performance in stochastic environments





#### IEEE T-IV

- Simulation Environment
  - Add fog and sensor noise to verify the robustness of Distributional RL
  - Sensor noise equation:  $d=d+\alpha * Random.Range(-d, d)$  ( $\alpha$ : noise weight)
  - Add sensor noise and fog only when performing post-training algorithm validation





#### IEEE T-IV

- Network Architecture
  - Use QR-DQN, one of the Distributional RL algorithms



TABLE II Hyperparameters of Driving Policy Network									
Data	Туре	Actuation	Hyperparameters						
	Convolution	ReLU	patch size = (8x8) stride = 4 # of filters = 32						
Camera data	Convolution	ReLU	patch size = $(4x4)$ stride = 2 # of filters = 64						
	Convolution	ReLU	patch size = (3x3) stride = 1 # of filters = 64						
Sensor data	LSTM	-	time steps = 4 # of cell states = 256						
Concatenated data	Fully Connected	ReLU	# of units = 512						



#### IEEE T-IV

- Result
  - Fast average speed, minimum unnecessary lane changes







#### IEEE T-IV





#### IEEE T-IV

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# Deep Distributional Reinforcement Learning Based High-Level Driving Policy Determination

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### Github

- Upload the following items to Github!
  - RL Algorithms
  - Built Unity Environment
  - Unity Files

MLJejuCamp2017 / DRL_based_SelfDrivingCarControl						O Unwat	tch ▼ 19	🖈 Unstar	200	¥ Fork	63
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Deep Reinforcement Learning (DQN) based Self Driving Car Control with Vehicle Simulator									Edit		

https://github.com/MLJejuCamp2017/DRL\_based\_SelfDrivingCarControl



### **2019 IEEE ISPACS**

- Multi-Agent Traffic Control Environment
  - Difficult to change lanes to desired lane in complex road situations
  - Overall traffic may slow down during lane changes
  - Lane changes in complex situations can lead to accidents
- Goal
  - Control multiple vehicles at the same time to move a specific vehicle to the target lane!
  - Minimize the overall vehicle speed reduction
  - => Multi-Agent Reinforcement Learning



### **2019 IEEE ISPACS**

Predator-Prey Environment

- Predators are learned to hunt the prey and Prey are leaned to runs away from the predators





### **2019 IEEE ISPACS**

• Zombie Defense Environment





### **2019 IEEE ISPACS**

Multi-Agent Traffic Control Environment





### **2019 IEEE ISPACS**





### **2019 IEEE ISPACS**

### Multi-Agent Deep Reinforcement Learning for Cooperative Driving in Crowded Traffic Scenarios

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# ISPACS 2019

Beitou, Taipei Dec. 3-6, 2019



#### **Extra Research**



#### Conclusion

- Are you curious about reinforcement learning? Come to RLKorea!
- Unity ML-Agents make it easy to create RL environments!
  - Easy environment creation using Unity
  - Stable communication between Unity environment and Python code
  - Support for creating a variety of RL environments (Multi-Agent, Curriculum,...)
- Perform various studies using ML-Agents
  - Create a variety of game and vehicle environments
  - RL performance verification using ML-Agents



# THANK YOU



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