
BADGER

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A memory-based multi-agent meta-learning architecture and learning procedure

The Badger architecture allows for the learning of a shared communication policy that enables the emergence of rapid adaptation to new and unseen environments by learning to learn learning algorithms through communication. Behavior, adaptation and learning to adapt emerges from the interactions of homogeneous experts inside a single agent.

The architecture should allow for generalization beyond the level seen in existing methods, in part due to the use of a single policy shared by all experts within the agent as well as the inherent modularity of the architecture.

1.1 Installation

1.1.1 Installing from source

To install from the source, clone the project with git:

```
git clone https://github.com/JamesPHoughton/pysd.git
```

1.1.2 Required Dependencies

The required dependencies to run the experiments is available in the file requirements.txt

1.2 Experiments

1.2.1 Attention based: Generalization across dimensions

1.2.2 Attention based: Communication through attention

1.2.3 MARL: Scalable reinforcement learning from local observations

1.3 Architecture

The Badger architecture (Rosa, et.al 2019) consists of an agent containing many experts. Each expert operates on the same fixed policy but has unique internal states.

The class `.. py:class:: MultitaskAgent` defines the architecture of the agent. It consists of the `.. py:class:: BadgerAgent` and `.. py:class:: AttentionLayer` classes.

1.3.1 BadgerAgent

The class `.. py:class:: BadgerAgent` consists of key, value and query networks.

The key network consists of two linear transformations - key1, linear transformation of size `HIDDEN + ID` to `HIDDEN` and key2, a linear transformation of size `HIDDEN` to `KEY`.

The value network consists of a linear transformation of size `HIDDEN + ID` to `HIDDEN` and the query network is a linear transformation from size `HIDDEN + ID` to `KEY`.

The valnet network consists of convolutional transformation of size `HIDDEN + ID + HIDDEN` to `HIDDEN` and `HIDDEN` to `HIDDEN` and another convolutional transformation of size `HIDDEN` to `HIDDEN`.

The htoh network consists of a convolutional transformation of size `HIDDEN + HIDDEN` to `HIDDEN`.

the htog network consists of a convolutional transformation of size `HIDDEN + HIDDEN` to `HIDDEN`.

The BadgerAgent uses the Adam optimizer.

The `h0` parameter is of size `1 * HIDDEN * 1`.

`init_rollout()`

This method initializes the rollout parameters `hid` and `static_id`.

`generate_messages()`

The method `.. py:method:: generate_messages()` returns a key, query and value

key, query and value are different views of the concatenation of the `hid` and `static_id` parameters.

`receive_attention()`

Updates the `hid` parameter by merging into the hidden state with attention information.

CHAPTER 2

Code

The code for this package is available at: <https://github.com/GoodAI/badger-2019>

CHAPTER 3

Indices and tables

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