Adversarial Imitation Learning from State-only Demonstrations*

Extended Abstract

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Motivation

Traditional imitation learning requires demonstrations to contain actions for corresponding states, which makes a large number of valuable learning resources uselesss – e.g online videos.

Example.

We collect some videos of driving, and we would like to train an antonomous driving agent.

Can we learn from state-only demonstrations? Yes, Imitation from observation (IfO) provides solution to such problem.

Approach

Two component

Discrimnator: try to distinguish data generated by expert's policy vs agent's policy. **Agent's policy**: try to confuse discriminator by making data look like it was generated by expert.

Problem formulation

 $\min_{\pi} \max_{D} \mathbb{E}_{\pi}[\log(D(s,s'))] + \mathbb{E}_{\pi_{E}}[\log(1 - D(s,s'))]$ (s, s'): state transition pair-data. π : learned policy π_{E} : expert's policy D: 1- generated data; 0-real data.

Algorithm

Algorithm 1 GAIfO

- 1: Initialize parametric policy π_ϕ with random ϕ
- 2: Initialize parametric discriminator D_{θ} with random θ
- 3: Obtain state-only expert demonstration trajectories $\tau_E = \{(s, s')\}$
- 4: while Policy Improves do
- 5: Execute π_{ϕ} and store the resulting state transitions $\tau = \{(s, s')\}$
- 6: Update D_{θ} using loss

$$-\left(\mathbb{E}_{\tau}[\log(D_{\theta}(s,s'))] + \mathbb{E}_{\tau_{E}}[\log(1 - D_{\theta}(s,s'))]\right)$$

7: Update π_{ϕ} by performing *TRPO* updates with reward function

 $-\left(\mathbb{E}_{\tau_E}[\log(1-D_{\theta}(s,s'))]\right)$

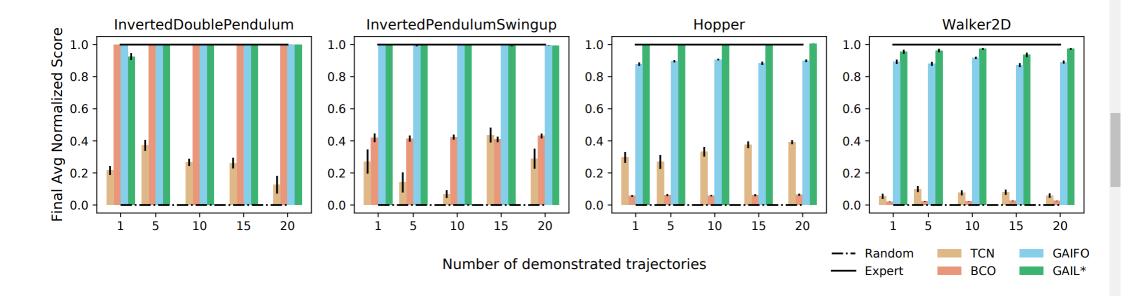
8: end while

7: modify $\mathbb{E}_{\tau_E}[\log(1 - D(s, s'))]$ to $\mathbb{E}_{\tau}[\log(D(s, s'))]$

 $\max_{D} \mathbb{E}_{\pi}[\log(D(s,s'))] + \mathbb{E}_{\pi_{E}}[\log(1 - D(s,s'))]$

 $\min_{\pi} \mathbb{E}_{\pi}[\log(D(s,s'))]$





Baseline

- 1. Behavioral Cloning from Observation
- 2. Time Contrastive Networks (TCN)
- 3. Generative Adversarial Imitation Learning (GAIL)