# Research on Online Game Design Based on Artificial Intelligence Algorithm

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#### 1 INTRODUCTION

background

In today's game industry, AI has become a widely used technology.

Use and improvement of AI technology can further strengthen the role expression and environmental authenticity in the game, making the NPC in the game more intelligent and human.

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Aim

This paper describes the concrete design and detailed implementation of the optimized behavior decision system, and designs the overall architecture of the AI engine.

Game Al Behavior Decision-Making Design

The behavior decision-making system of a game character is the key factor of weather a character can be intelligent.

It needs to be able to analyze the various situations of the role itself and the game environment in which the role is located, and make a reasonable response to it.

Game Al Behavior Decision-Making Design

Deep reinforcement learning

Difference from traditional Q-learning

- The deep convolution network+fully connected network is used as the approximation function.
- The sample is stored in the experience pool.
- The target network is used to get the TD-target separately.

Game Al Behavior Decision-Making Design

The genetic SASarsa algorithm

The genetic SASarsa algorithm takes the value of exploration rate as the solution of chromosomes in the genetic process and also represents the state in the annealing process.

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The iterative formula of the state action pair value of Sarsa algorithm

$$Q(s_t, a_t) = Q(s_t, a_t) + \alpha(r_t + \gamma Q(s_{t+1}, a_{t+1}) - Q(s_t, a_t))$$

Gamma: discount factor St: state of the Agent at the current time t

After performing an action at, the Agent enters the next time t+1 and recieves ab immediate return rt, and enters the state st+1 and Q(st+1,at+1), Q(st,at), both of which are the values of state action pairs.

Game Al Behavior Decision-Making Design

GA(Genetic Algorithm) and SA(Simulated Algorithm)

GA: Poor local search ability and strong ability to grasp the overall search process.

SA: Strong local search ability and can prevent the search process from falling into the local optimal solution.

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Let the optimization room of nonlinear function be entitled as the following minimization problem.

$$\min f(x)$$

$$a(j) \le x(j) \le b(j) \qquad j = 1, 2, \dots, p$$

 $x = \{x(j)\}$ : the set of optimization variables

[a(j),b(j)]: the change interval of x(j)

p: the number of optimization variables

f: the objective function

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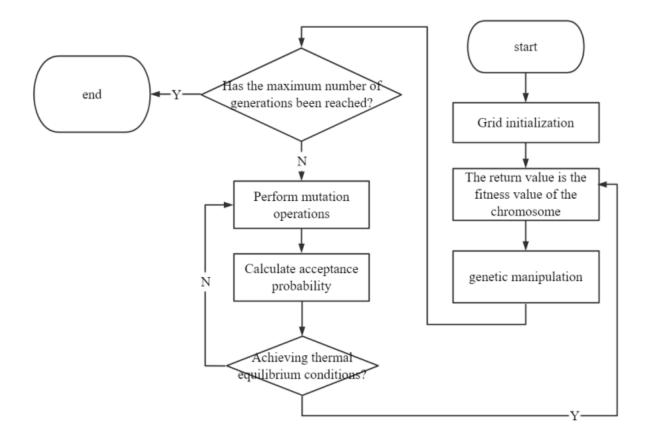


Figure 1: Algorithm training process

Design of Game Al Engine

Decision-making part of AI is designed by game planners, and the logic of each game is completely different.

Game AI Engine of this paper only provides a logical implementation mechanism and a path-finding algorithm with high universality.

Design of Game Al Engine

All needs to coordinate data calculation in the background and animation display in the foreground.

It introduces multithreading mechanism and design pattern of producers and consumers, and uses near-end strategy optimization algorithm to improve search efficiency

#### Design of Game Al Engine

The near-end strategy optimization algorithm

according to the principle of importance sampling

$$J^{\theta^k} = E_{s_t, a_t \sim \pi_{\theta^k}} \left[ \frac{P_{\theta} \left( a_t \mid s_t \right)}{P_{\theta^k} \left( a_t \mid s_t \right)} A^{\theta^k} s_t, a_t \right]$$

Θ(at|st): transition probability of the policy currently being updated Θ^k: the parameter of the policy network used for interaction

#### Design of Game Al Engine

Introduce KL divergence into the objective function

$$J_{PPO}^{\theta^k}\theta = J^{\theta^k}\theta - \beta K L P_{\theta^k} |s_t, P_{\theta}| s_t$$

Beta is used to adjust the constraint strength of KL divergence and ensure it to play a moderate role.

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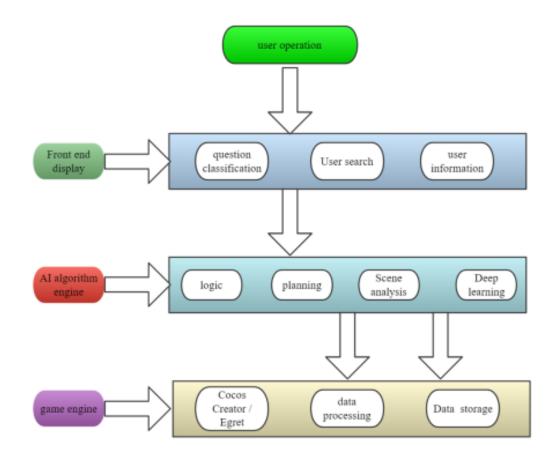


Figure 2: Structural design of game AI engine

This section carries out experiments on the AI algorithm designed in the previous section.

Two different game characters, hunters and prey, are defined and move in the experimental game scene with different behavior patterns.

In this experiment, the damage is directly reflected in the health value of the intelligent agent.

The initial health value is 100 points, and each point of damage is reduced by 1 point. When the health value is 0, death is declared.

Both prey and hunter can use skills and two types of skills exist: control skill and displacement skill(Not explained in detail of these skills).

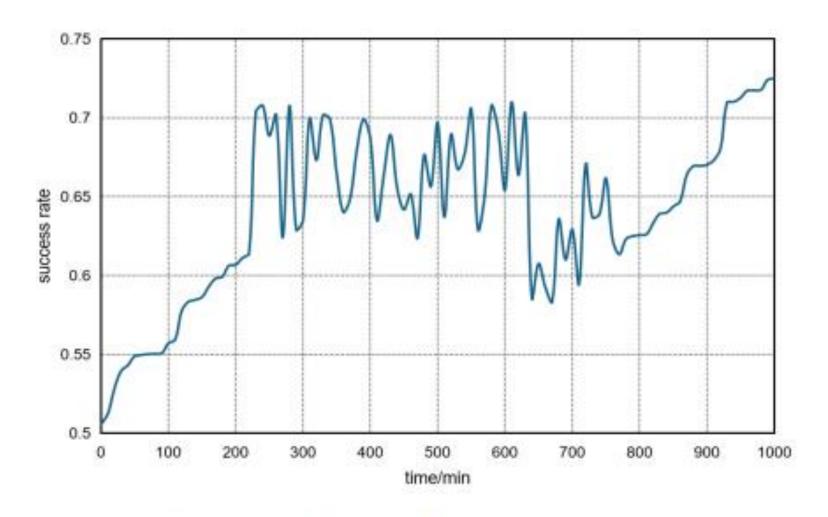


Figure 3: Game AI training results

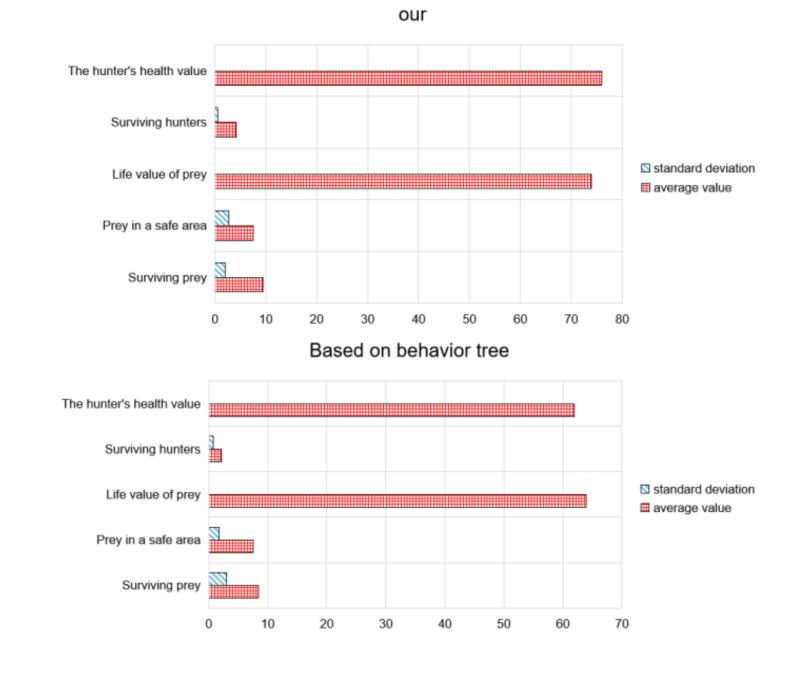


Figure 4: Simulation experiment results

This experiment shows that the strategy method based on Al in this paper can better guide the behavior of prey and improve the survivability of prey characters.

#### 4.CONCLUSION

Experiments show that reinforcement learning method can use the same reward function for similar intelligent agents, so as to achieve action decisions that conform to the game world view and set after training.

It can complete the construction of game AI without reorganizing the decision structure, and improve the intelligence level of intelligent agents in the game.

Thank you for your attention!