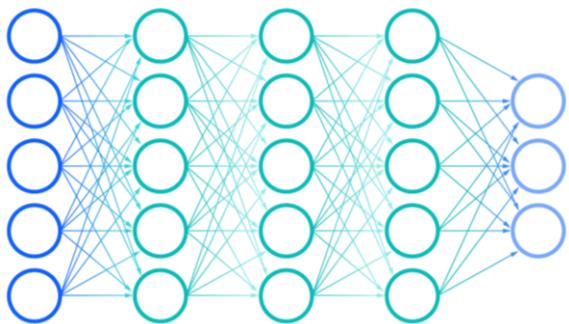


Comparison of Hyperparameter Optimization Approaches for Deep Reinforcement Learning

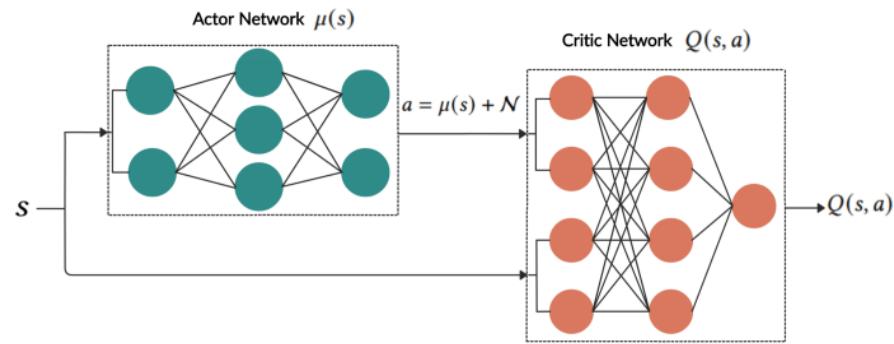
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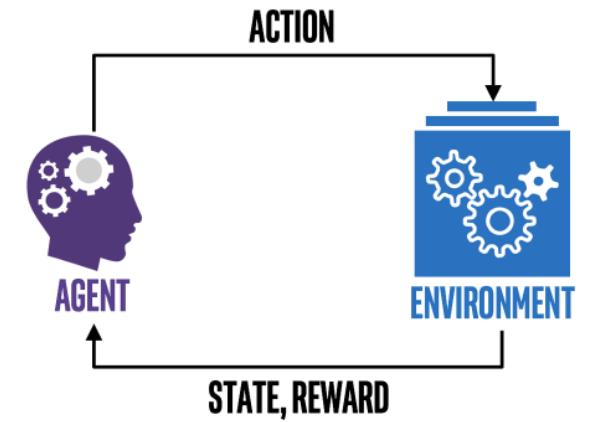
Deep Learning



Actor-Critic Networks



Non-Stationarity



An active area of research...

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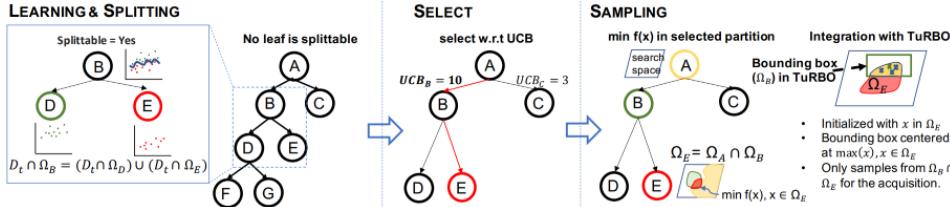
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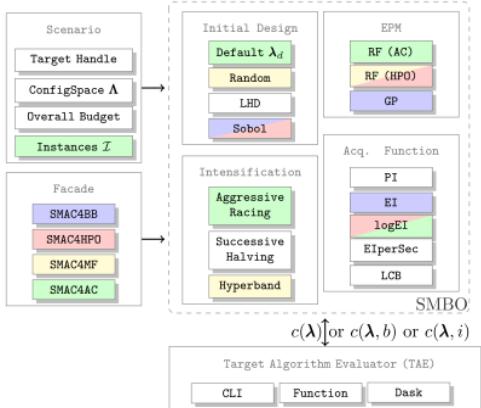
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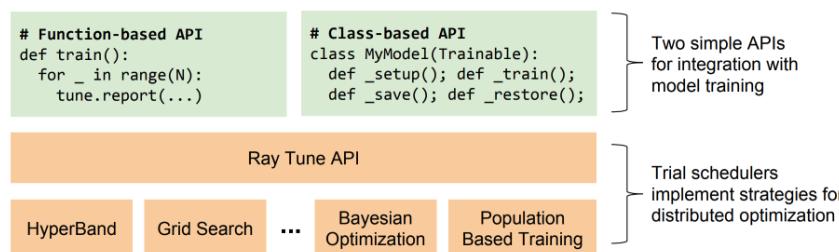
Approaches



LA-MCTS



SMAC3

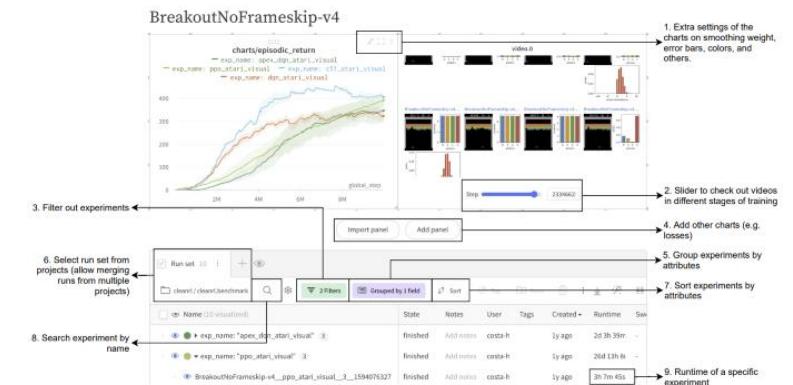


Ray-Tune

Environments: Gymnasium

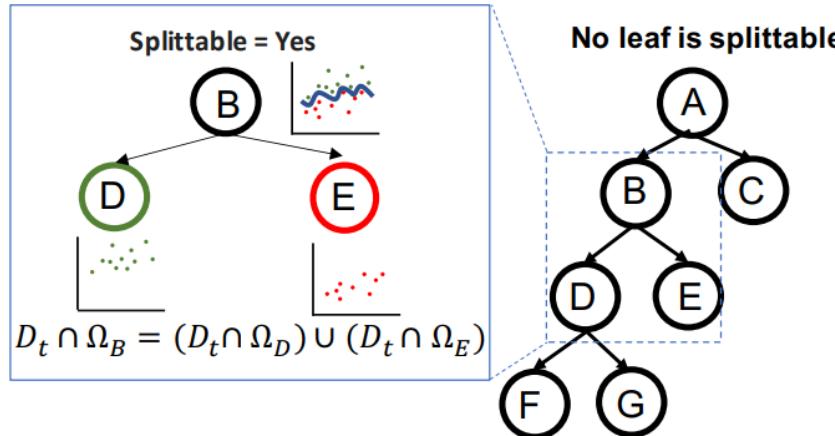


RL Algorithms: CleanRL

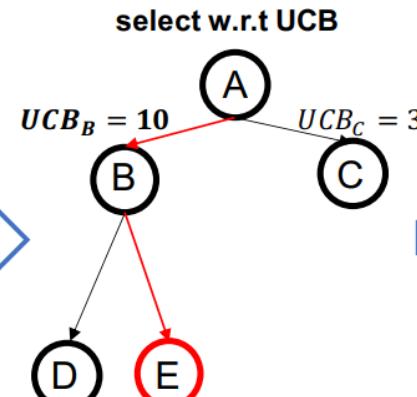


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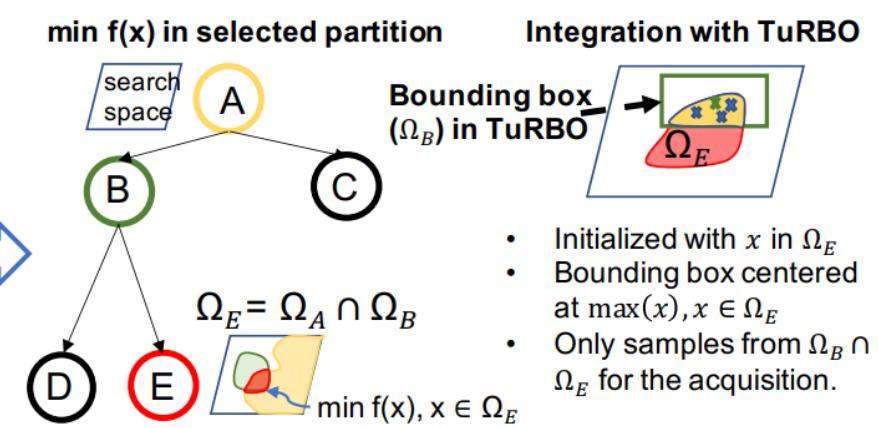
LEARNING & SPLITTING



SELECT

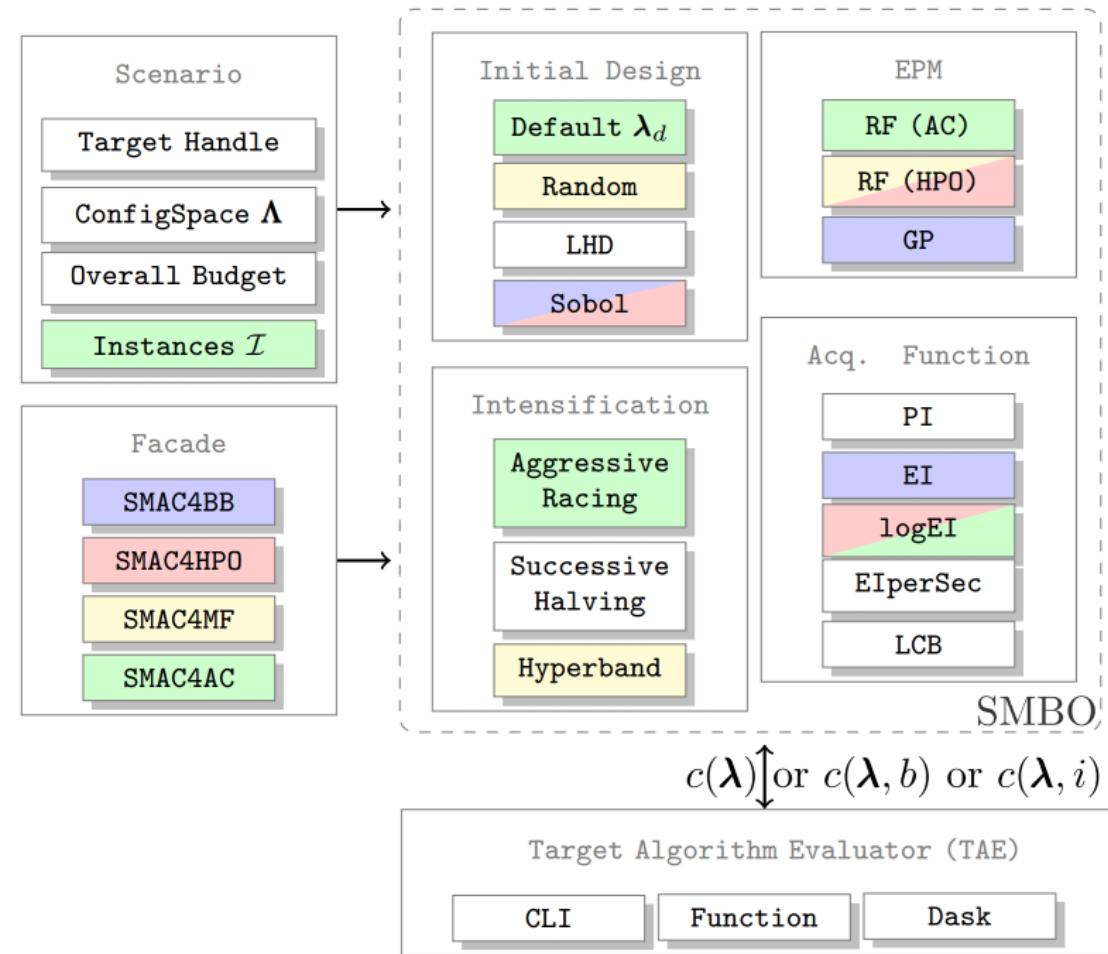


SAMPLING



- Initialized with x in Ω_E
- Bounding box centered at $\max(x), x \in \Omega_E$
- Only samples from $\Omega_B \cap \Omega_E$ for the acquisition.

Sequential Model Algorithm Configuration (SMAC3)



Ray-Tune

```
# Function-based API
def train():
    for _ in range(N):
        tune.report(...)
```

```
# Class-based API
class MyModel(Trainable):
    def __init__(self); def __setup();
    def __train(); def __save();
    def __restore();
```

Two simple APIs
for integration with
model training

Ray Tune API

HyperBand

Grid Search

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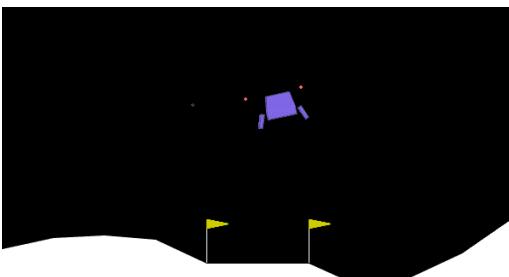
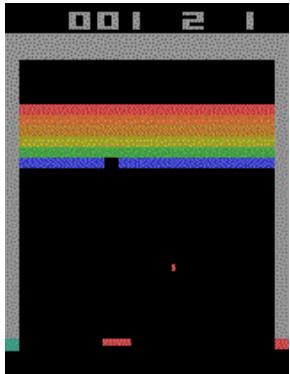
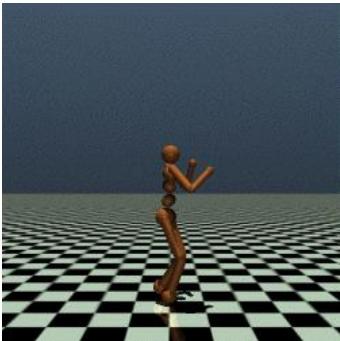
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Optimization

Population
Based Training

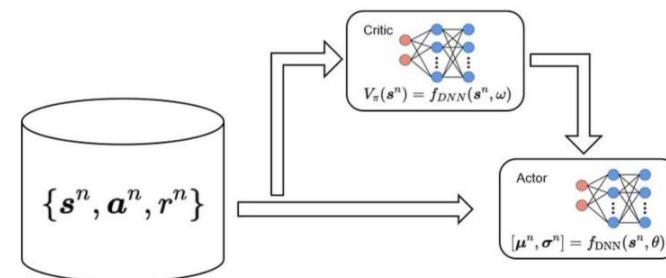
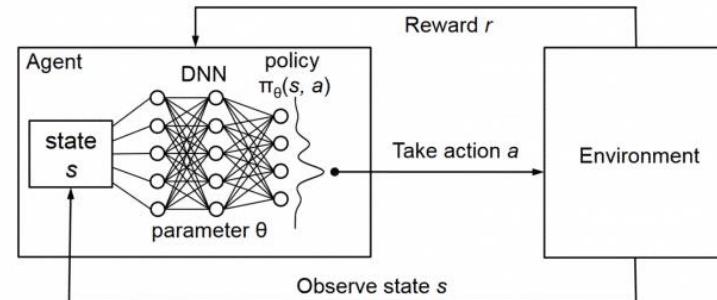
Trial schedulers
implement strategies for
distributed optimization

Comparison

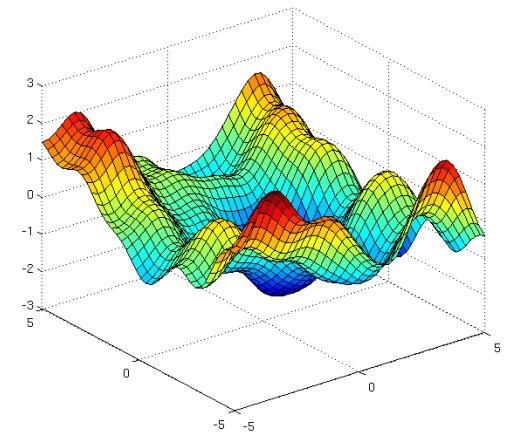
Environments



Algorithms



Scalability



Work Plan

- Experimental design and setup
- Implementation of common optimizer interface
- Run experiments
 - LA-MCTS
 - SMAC3
 - Ray-Tune
- Evaluation on distributed setup
- If time permits, extension to the Meta-World benchmark

Questions / Discussion



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