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DYNAMIC ALGORITHM CONFIGURATION - A SHORT OVERVIEW

Dynamic Algorithm Configuration (DAC) [Biedenkapp et al., ECAI 2020, Adriaensen et al., CoRR 2022] is a paradigm for hyperparameter optimization that aims to find the best possible configuration of algorithm hyperparameters for *each step* in the algorithm's execution and for *each algorithm instance*.

That means DAC methods configure hyperparameters dynamically over the runtime of an algorithm because the optimal value could be very different at the start than in the end. An example for this is the learning rate in SGD where at first we want to traverse the loss landscape fairly quickly (= high learning rate), but then need to slow down as to not overshoot the optimum (= gradually decreasing learning rate).

Furthermore, as we configure across a set of instances, DAC methods also need to take into account how these factors change between algorithm instances - a learning rate schedule on a very simple image classification problem like MNIST, for example, will likely look different than on a challenging one like ImageNet.

DAC can be solved by a number of different methods, e.g. classical Algorithm Configuration tools or Reinforcement Learning. As the paradigm is still relatively new, there is a lot of space to experiment with new possibilities or combine existing configuration options. In order to stay up to date on the current DAC literature, we recommend our 'DAC literature overview <<https://www.automl.org/automated-algorithm-design/dac/literature-overview/>>`.

CHAPTER
TWO

HOW TO INSTALL DACBENCH

This is a guide on how to install DACBench and its benchmarks. Alternatively, you can also use [pre-built containers](#).

First clone our GitHub repository:

```
git clone https://github.com/automl/DACBench.git
cd DACBench
git submodule update --init --recursive
```

We recommend installing within a virtual environment:

```
conda create -n dacbench python=3.6
conda activate dacbench
```

Now install DACBench with:

```
pip install -e .
```

To also install all dependencies used in the examples, instead run:

```
pip install -e .[example]
```

You should now have DACBench installed in the base version. This includes on the artificial benchmarks, all others have separate installation dependencies. The full list of options is:

- cma - installs the PyCMA step size control benchmark
- modea - installs the ModEA benchmark
- modcma - installs the IOHProfiler versions of CMA step size and CMA algorithm control
- sgd - installs the SGD benchmark
- theory - installs the theory benchmark
- all - installs all benchmark dependencies
- example - installs example dependencies
- docs - installs documentation dependencies
- dev - installs dev dependencies

Please note that in order to use the FastDownward benchmarks, you don't have to select different dependencies, but you have to build the planner. We recommend using cmake 3.10.2 for this:

```
./dacbench/envs/r1-plan/fast-downward/build.py
```

In the top level directory, you will find folders for tests, examples, code coverage reporting and documentation. The code itself can be found in the ‘dacbench’ folder. If you want to take advantage of our pre-run static and random baselines (10 runs each with 1000 episodes), you can download them [here](#).

**CHAPTER
THREE**

USING DACBENCH CONTAINERS

DACBench can run containerized versions of Benchmarks using Singularity containers to isolate their dependencies and make reproducible Singularity images.

To build an existing container, install Singularity and run the following to build the container of your choice. Here is an example for the CMA container:

```
cd dacbench/container/singularity_recipes
sudo singularity build cma cma.def
```

An example on how to use the container can be found in the examples in the repository.

For writing your own recipe to build a Container, you can refer to the recipe template in the repository:
`dacbench/container/singularity_recipes/recipe_template`

CHAPTER
FOUR

BENCHMARK OVERVIEW

DACBench contains a range of benchmarks in different categories and from different domains. There is a range of highly configurable, cheap to run benchmarks that often also include a ground truth solution. We recommend using these as an introduction to DAC, to verify new algorithms and to generate detailed insights. They are both based on artificial functions and real algorithms:

- *Sigmoid* (Artificial Benchmark): Sigmoid function approximation in multiple dimensions.
- *Luby* (Artificial Benchmark): Learning the Luby sequence.
- ToySGD (Artificial Benchmark): Controlling the learning rate in gradient descent.
- *Geometric* (Artificial Benchmark): Approximating several functions at once.
- Toy version of the *FastDownward benchmark*: Heuristic selection for the FastDownward Planner with ground truth.
- *Theory benchmark* with ground truth: RLS algorithm on the LeadingOnes problem.

Beyond these smaller scale problems we know a lot about, DACBench also contains less interpretable algorithms with larger scopes. These are oftentimes noisier, harder to debug and more costly to run and thus present a real challenge for DAC algorithms:

- *FastDownward benchmark*: Heuristic selection for the FastDownward Planner on competition tasks.
- *CMA-ES*: Step-size adaption for CMA-ES.
- *ModEA*: Selection of Algorithm Components for EAs.
- *ModCMA*: Step-size & algorithm component control for EAs backed by IOHProfiler.
- *SGD-DL*: Learning rate adaption for neural networks.

Our benchmarks are based on OpenAI's gym interface for Reinforcement Learning. That means to run a benchmark, you need to create an environment of that benchmark to then interact with it. We include examples of this interaction between environment and DAC methods in our GitHub repository. To instantiate a benchmark environment, run:

```
from dacbench.benchmarks import SigmoidBenchmark
bench = SigmoidBenchmark()
benchmark_env = bench.get_environment()
```

```
class dacbench.abstract_benchmark.AbstractBenchmark(config_path=None, config: Optional[object] = None)
```

Bases: `object`

Abstract template for benchmark classes

get_config()

Return current configuration

Returns

Current config

Return type

dict

get_environment()

Make benchmark environment

Returns

env – Benchmark environment

Return type

gym.Env

process_configspace(*configuration_space*)

This is largely the built-in `cs.json.write` method, but doesn't save the result directly. If this is ever implemented in `cs`, we can replace this method.

read_config_file(*path*)

Read configuration from file

Parameters

path (str) – Path to config file

serialize_config()

Save configuration to json

Parameters

path (str) – File to save config to

set_action_space(*kind, args*)

Change action space

Parameters

- **kind (str)** – Name of action space class
- **args (list)** – List of arguments to pass to action space class

set_observation_space(*kind, args, data_type*)

Change observation_space

Parameters

- **kind (str)** – Name of observation space class
- **args (list)** – List of arguments to pass to observation space class
- **data_type (type)** – Data type of observation space

set_seed(*seed*)

Set environment seed

Parameters

seed (int) – New seed

```
class dacbench.abstract_benchmark.ObjDict
    Bases: dict

    Modified dict to make config changes more flexible
    copy() → a shallow copy of D

class dacbench.abstract_env.AbstractEnv(config)
    Bases: Env

    Abstract template for environments

    get_inst_id()
        Return instance ID

        Returns
            ID of current instance

        Return type
            int

    get_instance()
        Return current instance

        Returns
            Currently used instance

        Return type
            type flexible

    get_instance_set()
        Return instance set

        Returns
            List of instances

        Return type
            list

    reset()
        Reset environment

        Returns
            Environment state

        Return type
            state

    reset_(instance=None, instance_id=None, scheme=None)
        Pre-reset function for progressing through the instance set Will either use round robin, random or no progression scheme

    seed(seed=None, seed_action_space=False)
        Set rng seed

        Parameters
            • seed – seed for rng
            • seed_action_space (bool, default False) – if to seed the action space as well
```

seed_action_space(*seed=None*)

Seeds the action space. :param seed: if None self.initial_seed is be used :type seed: int, default None

set_inst_id(*inst_id*)

Change current instance ID

Parameters

inst_id (*int*) – New instance index

set_instance(*instance*)

Change currently used instance

Parameters

instance – New instance

set_instance_set(*inst_set*)

Change instance set

Parameters

inst_set (*list*) – New instance set

step(*action*)

Execute environment step

Parameters

action – Action to take

Returns

- *state* – Environment state
- *reward* – Environment reward
- **done** (*bool*) – Run finished flag
- **info** (*dict*) – Additional metainfo

step_()

Pre-step function for step count and cutoff

Returns

End of episode

Return type

bool

use_next_instance(*instance=None, instance_id=None, scheme=None*)

Changes instance according to chosen instance progression

Parameters

- **instance** – Instance specification for potential new instances
- **instance_id** – ID of the instance to switch to
- **scheme** – Update scheme for this progression step (either round robin, random or no progression)

use_test_set()

Change to test instance set

use_training_set()

Change to training instance set

CHAPTER
FIVE

THE SIGMOID TOY BENCHMARK

Task: approximate a sigmoid curve at timestep t in each of one or multiple dimensions

Cost: distance between prediction and function

Number of hyperparameters to control: user specified starting at one integer with no fixed upper limit

State Information: Remaining budget, instance descriptions for each dimension (inflection point and slope), last action for each dimension

Noise Level: None

Instance space: one sigmoid curve consisting of inflection point and slope per dimension. Sampling notebook and example datasets in repository.

This benchmark is not built on top of an algorithm, but is simply a function approximation task. In each step until the cutoff, the DAC controller predicts one y-value for a given sigmoid curve per task dimension. The predictions are discrete, that means there is usually some distance between the true function value and the best prediction. This distance is used as a cost function. If multiple task dimensions are used, the total cost is computed by multiplying the costs of all dimensions.

The benchmark is very cheap to run and the instances can be sampled and shaped easily. Therefore it's a good starting point for any new DAC method or to gain specific insights for which fine control over the instance distribution is required.

The Sigmoid benchmark was constructed by Biedenkapp et al. for the paper "Dynamic Algorithm Configuration: Foundation of a New Meta-Algorithmic Framework" <<https://www.tnt.uni-hannover.de/papers/data/1432/20-ECAI-DAC.pdf>>` at ECAI 2020

class dacbench.benchmarks.sigmoid_benchmark.**SigmoidBenchmark**(config_path=None, config=None)

Bases: *AbstractBenchmark*

Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Sigmoid

get_benchmark(dimension=None, seed=0)

Get Benchmark from DAC paper

Parameters

- **dimension** (*int*) – Sigmoid dimension, was 1, 2, 3 or 5 in the paper
- **seed** (*int*) – Environment seed

Returns

env – Sigmoid environment

Return type

SigmoidEnv

get_environment()
Return Sigmoid env with current configuration

Returns
Sigmoid environment

Return type
SigmoidEnv

read_instance_set(*test=False*)

Read instance set from file

set_action_values(*values*)

Adapt action values and update dependencies

Parameters
values (*list*) – A list of possible actions per dimension

Sigmoid environment from “Dynamic Algorithm Configuration:Foundation of a New Meta-Algorithmic Framework” by A. Biedenkapp and H. F. Bozkurt and T. Eimer and F. Hutter and M. Lindauer. Original environment authors: André Biedenkapp, H. Furkan Bozkurt

class dacbench.envs.sigmoid.ContinuousSigmoidEnv(*config*)

Bases: *SigmoidEnv*

Environment for tracing sigmoid curves with a continuous state on the x-axis

step(*action: ndarray*)

Execute environment step. !!NOTE!! The action here is a list of floats and not a single number !!NOTE!!

Parameters
action (*list of floats*) – action(s) to execute

Returns
state, reward, done, info

Return type
np.array, float, bool, dict

class dacbench.envs.sigmoid.ContinuousStateSigmoidEnv(*config*)

Bases: *SigmoidEnv*

Environment for tracing sigmoid curves with a continuous state on the x-axis

step(*action: int*)

Execute environment step

Parameters
action (*int*) – action to execute

Returns
state, reward, done, info

Return type
np.array, float, bool, dict

class dacbench.envs.sigmoid.SigmoidEnv(*config*)

Bases: *AbstractEnv*

Environment for tracing sigmoid curves

close() → bool

Close Env

Returns

Closing confirmation

Return type

bool

render(mode: str) → None

Render env in human mode

Parameters

mode (str) – Execution mode

reset() → List[int]

Resets env

Returns

Environment state

Return type

numpy.array

step(action: int)

Execute environment step

Parameters

action (int) – action to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, info

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

CHAPTER
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THE LUBY TOY BENCHMARK

Task: Learning the Luby sequence with variations

Cost: correctness of sequence element prediction

Number of hyperparameters to control: one integer

State Information: Actions and timesteps of the last three iterations

Noise Level: None

Instance space: the Luby sequence with possibilities to modify the starting point of the series (e.g. element 5 instead of 1) as well as the repetition of each element

This benchmark is not built on top of an algorithm, instead it's a pure sequence learning task. In each step until the cutoff, the DAC controller's task is to predict the next element of the Luby sequence. If the prediction is correct, it is given a reward of 1 and else 0.

The benchmark is very cheap to run, but can be altered to be quite challenging nonetheless. In its basic form, it can serve to validate DAC methods and observe their prowess in learning a series of predictions correctly.

The Luby benchmark was constructed by Biedenkapp et al. for the paper "Dynamic Algorithm Configuration: Foundation of a New Meta-Algorithmic Framework" <<https://www.tnt.uni-hannover.de/papers/data/I432/20-ECAI-DAC.pdf>> at ECAI 2020

class dacbench.benchmarks.luby_benchmark.**LubyBenchmark**(config_path=None, config=None)

Bases: *AbstractBenchmark*

Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Sigmoid

get_benchmark(L=8, fuzziness=1.5, seed=0)

Get Benchmark from DAC paper

Parameters

- **L** (*int*) – Minimum sequence length, was 8, 16 or 32 in the paper
- **fuzziness** (*float*) – Amount of noise applied. Was 1.5 for most of the experiments
- **seed** (*int*) – Environment seed

Returns

env – Luby environment

Return type

LubyEnv

get_environment()

Return Luby env with current configuration

Returns
Luby environment

Return type
LubyEnv

read_instance_set(*test=False*)

Read instance set from file

set_cutoff(*steps*)

Set cutoff and adapt dependencies

Parameters
int – Maximum number of steps

set_history_length(*length*)

Set history length and adapt dependencies

Parameters
int – History length

Luby environment from “Dynamic Algorithm Configuration:Foundation of a New Meta-Algorithmic Framework” by A. Biedenkapp and H. F. Bozkurt and T. Eimer and F. Hutter and M. Lindauer. Original environment authors: André Biedenkapp, H. Furkan Bozkurt

class dacbench.envs.luby.**LubyEnv**(*config*)

Bases: *AbstractEnv*

Environment to learn Luby Sequence

close() → bool

Close Env

Returns
Closing confirmation

Return type
bool

render(*mode: str = 'human'*) → None

Render env in human mode

Parameters
mode (str) – Execution mode

reset() → List[int]

Resets env

Returns
Environment state

Return type
numpy.array

step(*action: int*)

Execute environment step

Parameters
action (int) – action to execute

Returns
state, reward, done, info

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

dacbench.envs.luby.**luby_gen**(*i*)

Generator for the Luby Sequence

THE GEOMETRIC TOY BENCHMARK

Task: approximate values of different functions

Cost: normalized distance to actual values

Number of hyperparameters to control: user specified starting at one float

State Information: remaining budget, derivative of each function in the last step, actual value of each function in the last step

Noise Level: None

Instance space: a number of different function types and their instantiations (e.g. sigmoid or linear), correlation between the functions

This is an artificial benchmark using function approximation only. Its goal is to simulate the control of multiple hyperparameters that behave differently with possible correlations between dimensions. In each step, the DAC controller tries to approximate the true value of the function in each dimension. The difference between this prediction and the true value is the cost. There are different ways to accumulate this cost built into the benchmark, by default it is the normalized sum of costs across all dimensions.

Controlling multiple hyperparameters is a hard problem and thus this fully controllable and cheap to run benchmark aims to provide an easy starting point. Through its flexible instance space and cost functions the difficulty can be scaled up slowly before transitioning to real-world benchmarks with multiple hyperparameters.

class dacbench.benchmarks.geometric_benchmark.**GeometricBenchmark**(*config_path=None*)

Bases: *AbstractBenchmark*

Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Geometric

create_correlation_table()

Create correlation table from Config infos

get_benchmark(*dimension=None, seed=0*)

[summary]

Parameters

- **dimension** (*[type], optional*) – [description], by default None
- **seed** (*int, optional*) – [description], by default 0

Returns

[description]

Return type

[type]

get_environment()

Return Geometric env with current configuration

Returns

Geometric environment

Return type

GeometricEnv

read_instance_set()

Read instance set from file Creates a nested List for every Intance. The List contains all functions with their respective values.

set_action_description()

Add Information about Derivative and Coordinate to Description.

set_action_values()

Adapt action values and update dependencies Number of actions can differ between functions if configured in DefaultDict Set observation space args.

Geometric environment. Original environment authors: Rasmus von Glahn

class dacbench.envs.geometric.GeometricEnv(config)

Bases: *AbstractEnv*

Environment for tracing different curves that are orthogonal to each other Use product approach: $f(t,x,y,z) = X(t,x) * Y(t,y) * Z(t,z)$ Normalize Function Value on a Scale between 0 and 1

- min and max value for normalization over all timesteps

close() → bool

Close Env

Returns

Closing confirmation

Return type

bool

get_default_reward(_) → float

Calculate euclidean distance between action vector and real position of Curve.

Parameters

_ (*self*) – ignore

Returns

Euclidean distance

Return type

float

get_default_state(_) → array

Gather state information.

Parameters

_ – ignore param

Returns

numpy array with state information

Return type

np.array

get_optimal_policy(*instance: Optional[List] = None, vector_action: bool = True*) → List[array]

Calculates the optimal policy for an instance

Parameters

- **instance** (*List, optional*) – instance with information about function config.
- **vector_action** (*bool, optional*) – if True return multidim actions else return onedimensional action, by default True

Returns

List with entry for each timestep that holds all optimal values in an array or as int

Return type

List[np.array]

render(*dimensions: List, absolute_path: str*)

Multiplot for specific dimensions of benchmark with policy actions.

Parameters

dimensions (*List*) – List of dimensions that get plotted

render_3d_dimensions(*dimensions: List, absolute_path: str*)

Plot 2 Dimensions in 3D space

Parameters

dimensions (*List*) – List of dimensions that get plotted. Max 2

reset() → List[int]

Resets env

Returns

Environment state

Return type

numpy.array

step(*action: int*)

Execute environment step

Parameters

action (*int*) – action to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, info

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

CHAPTER
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THE FASTDOWNWARD BENCHMARK

Task: select heuristics for the FastDownward planner

Cost: number of optimization steps

Number of hyperparameters to control: one categorical

State Information: average value, max value, min value, number of open list entries and variance for each heuristic

Noise Level: fairly large

Instance space: either specifically designed easy toy instances with ground truth or common planning competition instance sets

This benchmark is an interface to the Fast Downward AI planner, controlling its heuristic hyperparameter. In each step until the algorithm finishes or is terminated via the cutoff, the DAC controller selects one of either two (toy case) or four heuristics for the planner to use. The goal is to reduce the runtime of the planner, so every step that is taken in the benchmark incurs a cost of 1.

Out of our real-world benchmarks, FastDownward is likely the fastest running and it has been shown to be suitable to dynamic configuration. Though the noise level is fairly high, most DAC controllers should be able to learn functional policies in a comparatively short time frame.

The FastDownward benchmark was constructed by Speck et al. for the paper "Learning Heuristic Selection with Dynamic Algorithm Configuration" <<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2006.08246.pdf>> at ICAPS 2021

```
class dacbench.benchmarks.fast_downward_benchmark.FastDownwardBenchmark(config_path=None,  
config=None)
```

Bases: *AbstractBenchmark*

Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Sigmoid

get_benchmark(seed=0)

Get published benchmark

Parameters

seed (*int*) – Environment seed

Returns

env – FD environment

Return type

FastDownwardEnv

get_environment()

Return Luby env with current configuration

Returns

Luby environment

Return type*LubyEnv***read_instance_set(*test=False*)**

Read paths of instances from config into list

Planning environment from “Learning Heuristic Selection with Dynamic Algorithm Configuration” by David Speck, André Biedenkapp, Frank Hutter, Robert Mattmüller und Marius Lindauer. Original environment authors: David Speck, André Biedenkapp

class dacbench.envs.fast_downward.FastDownwardEnv(*config*)Bases: *AbstractEnv*

Environment to control Solver Heuristics of FastDownward

close()

Close Env

Returns

Closing confirmation

Return type

bool

kill_connection()

Kill the connection

recv_msg()

Recieve a whole message. The message has to be prepended with its total size Based on comment from SO see [1]

Returns

The message as byte

Return type

bytes

recvall(*n: int*)

Given we know the size we want to recieve, we can recieve that amount of bytes. Based on comment from SO see [1]

Parameters**n** (*int*) – Number of bytes to expect in the data**Returns**

The message as byte

Return type

bytes

render(*mode: str = 'human'*) → None

Required by gym.Env but not implemented

Parameters**mode** (*str*) – Rendering mode**reset()**

Reset environment

Returns

State after reset

Return type
np.array

send_msg(msg: bytes)

Send message and prepend the message size

Based on comment from SO see [1] [1] <https://stackoverflow.com/a/17668009>

Parameters

msg (bytes) – The message as byte

step(action: Union[int, List[int]])

Environment step

Parameters

action (Union[int, List[int]]) – Parameter(s) to apply

Returns

state, reward, done, info

Return type
np.array, float, bool, dict

class dacbench.envs.fast_downward.StateType(value)

Bases: Enum

Class to define numbers for state types

THE THEORY BENCHMARK

Task: controlling number of flips in RLS on LeadingOnes

Cost: number of iterations until solution

Number of hyperparameters to control: one float

State Information: user specified, highly flexible

Noise Level: fairly large

Instance space: different instantiations of LeadingOnes

This benchmark is considered one of our highly controllable ones as there is ground truth available. It is also, however, built on top of the RLS algorithm, so not an artificial benchmark. At each step, the DAC controller chooses how many solution bits to flip. We want to optimize how many algorithm steps are taken, so the number of iterations is the reward.

While this is not an easy to solve benchmark, it is cheap to run and interfaces a real EA. Thus it may be a good entry point for harder EA-based benchmarks and also a good benchmark for analyzing controller behavior.

The Theory benchmark was constructed by Biedenkapp et al. for the paper "Theory-Inspired Parameter Control Benchmarks for Dynamic Algorithm Configuration" <<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2202.03259.pdf>>` at GECCO 2022

class dacbench.benchmarks.theory_benchmark.TheoryBenchmark(config=None)

Bases: *AbstractBenchmark*

Benchmark with various settings for (1+(lbd, lbd))-GA and RLS

create_observation_space_from_description(obs_description, env_class=<class 'dacbench.envs.theory.RLSEnvDiscrete'>)

Create a gym observation space (Box only) based on a string containing observation variable names, e.g. "n, f(x), k, k_{t-1}" Return:

A gym.spaces.Box observation space

get_environment(test_env=False)

Return an environment with current configuration

Parameters:

test_env: whether the enviroment is used for train an agent or for testing.

if test_env=False:

cutoff time for an episode is set to $0.8*n^2$ (n: problem size) if an action is out of range, stop the episode immediately and return a large negative reward (see envs/theory.py for more details)

otherwise: benchmark's original cutoff time is used, and out-of-range action will be clipped to nearest valid value and the episode will continue.

read_instance_set()**Read instance set from file**

we look at the current directory first, if the file doesn't exist, we look in
<DACBench>/dacbench/instance_sets/theory/

class dacbench.envs.theory.BinaryProblem(*n*, *rng*=*Generator(PCG64)* at 0x7F9822C538B8)

Bases: object

An abstract class for an individual in binary representation

combine(*xprime*, *locs_xprime*)

combine (crossover) self and xprime by taking xprime's bits at locs_xprime and self's bits at other positions

Parameters

- **xprime** (*1d boolean array*) – the individual to crossover with
- **locs_x** (*1d boolean/integer array*) – positions where we keep current bits of self
- **locs_xprime** (*: 1d boolean/integer array*) – positions where we change to xprime's bits

Returns: the new individual after the crossover

**crossover(*xprime*, *p*, *n_childs*, *include_xprime=True*, *count_different_inds_only=True*,
rng=*Generator(PCG64)* at 0x7F97C2ED16D8)****Crossover operator:**

for each bit, taking value from x with probability p and from self with probability 1-p

Arguments:

x: the individual to crossover with p (float): in [0,1]

flip(*locs*)

flip the bits at position indicated by locs

Parameters

- locs** (*1d-array*) – positions where bits are flipped

Returns: the new individual after the flip

get_fitness_after_crossover(*xprime*, *locs_x*, *locs_xprime*)

Calculate fitness of the child after being crossovered with xprime

Parameters

- **xprime** (*1d boolean array*) – the individual to crossover with
- **locs_x** (*1d boolean/integer array*) – positions where we keep current bits of self
- **locs_xprime** (*: 1d boolean/integer array*) – positions where we change to xprime's bits

get_fitness_after_flipping(*locs*)

Calculate the change in fitness after flipping the bits at positions locs

Parameters

- locs** (*1d-array*) – positions where bits are flipped

objective after flipping

mutate(*p*, *n_childs*, *rng*=*Generator(PCG64)* at 0x7F97C2ED14F8)

Draw $1 \sim \text{binomial}(n, p)$, $l > 0$ Generate *n_childs* children by flipping exactly *l* bits Return: the best child (maximum fitness), its fitness and number of evaluations used

mutate_rls(*l*, *rng*=*Generator(PCG64)* at 0x7F97C2ED15E8)

generate a child by flipping exactly *l* bits Return: child, its fitness

class dacbench.envs.theory.LeadingOne(*n*, *rng*=*Generator(PCG64)* at 0x7F97C2ED17C8, *initObj*=*None*)

Bases: *BinaryProblem*

An individual for LeadingOne problem The aim is to maximise the number of leading (and consecutive) 1 bits in the string

get_fitness_after_crossover(*xprime*, *locs_x*, *locs_xprime*)

Calculate fitness of the child after being crossovered with *xprime*

Parameters

- **xprime** (*1d boolean array*) – the individual to crossover with
- **locs_x** (*1d boolean/integer array*) – positions where we keep current bits of self
- **locs_xprime** (: *1d boolean/integer array*) – positions where we change to *xprime*'s bits

get_fitness_after_flipping(*locs*)

Calculate the change in fitness after flipping the bits at positions *locs*

Parameters

locs (*1d-array*) – positions where bits are flipped

objective after flipping

class dacbench.envs.theory.RLSEnv(*config*, *test_env*=*False*)

Bases: *AbstractEnv*

Environment for RLS with step size Current assumption: we only consider (1+1)-RLS, so there's only one parameter to tune (*r*)

close() → *bool*

Close Env

No additional cleanup necessary

Returns

Closing confirmation

Return type

bool

get_obs_domain_from_name()

Get default lower and upperbound of a observation variable based on its name. The observation space will then be created Return:

Two int values, e.g., 1, np.inf

reset()

Resets env

Returns

Environment state

Return type
numpy.array

step(action)
Execute environment step

Parameters
action (*Box*) – action to execute

Returns

- *state, reward, done, info*
- *np.array, float, bool, dict*

class dacbench.envs.theory.RLSEnvDiscrete(*config, test_env=False*)

Bases: *RLSEnv*

RLS environment where the choices of r is discretised

step(action)
Execute environment step

Parameters
action (*Box*) – action to execute

Returns

- *state, reward, done, info*
- *np.array, float, bool, dict*

THE PYCMA CMA-ES BENCHMARK

Task: control the step size of CMA-ES on BBOB functions

Cost: negative objective value

Number of hyperparameters to control: one float

State Information: current point, the last 40 objective values, population size, current step size, the deltas between the last 80 objective values, the deltas between the last 40 step sizes

Noise Level: fairly large, depends on target function

Instance space: the BBOB functions with ids, starting point and starting sigma as well as population size

This benchmark uses the PyCMA implementation to control the step size of the CMA-ES algorithm on the BBOB function set. The goal in the optimization is to find the global function minimum before the cutoff, so the cost is defined as the current negative objective value.

The BBOB functions provide a varied instance space that is well suited for testing generalization capabilities of DAC methods. Due to this large instance space and very different scales of objective values (and thus cost), the CMA-ES benchmark is one of the more difficult to solve ones in DACBench.

The CMA-ES benchmark was constructed by Shala et al. for the paper "Learning Step-size Adaptation in CMA-ES" <<https://ml.informatik.uni-freiburg.de/wp-content/uploads/papers/20-PPSN-LTO-CMA.pdf>>` at PPSN 2020

class dacbench.benchmarks.cma_benchmark.CMAESBenchmark(*config_path=None, config=None*)

Bases: *AbstractBenchmark*

Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for CMA-ES

get_benchmark(*seed=0*)

Get benchmark from the LTO paper

Parameters

seed (*int*) – Environment seed

Returns

env – CMAES environment

Return type

CMAESEnv

get_environment()

Return CMAESEnv env with current configuration

Returns

CMAES environment

Return type

CMAESEnv

read_instance_set(*test=False*)

Read path of instances from config into list

CMA-ES environment adapted from CMAWorld in “Learning Step-size Adaptation in CMA-ES” by G.Shala and A. Biedenkapp and N.Awad and S. Adriaensen and M.Lindauer and F. Hutter. Original author: Gresa Shala

class dacbench.envs.cma_es.CMAESEnv(*config*)

Bases: *AbstractEnv*

Environment to control the step size of CMA-ES

close()

No additional cleanup necessary

Returns

Cleanup flag

Return type

bool

get_default_reward()

Compute reward

Returns

Reward

Return type

float

get_default_state()

Gather state description

Returns

Environment state

Return type

dict

render(*mode: str = 'human'*)

Render env in human mode

Parameters

mode (str) – Execution mode

reset()

Reset environment

Returns

Environment state

Return type

np.array

step(*action*)

Execute environment step

Parameters

action (list) – action to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, info

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

THE MODEA BENCHMARK

Task: control the algorithm components of CMA-ES on BBOB functions

Cost: negative objective value

Number of hyperparameters to control: 11 categorical

State Information: generation size, step size, remaining budget, function ID, instance ID

Noise Level: fairly large, depends on target function

Instance space: the BBOB functions with ids, starting point and starting sigma as well as population size

This benchmark uses the ModEA package to enable dynamic control of several algorithm components of CMA-ES. The components of the algorithm that can be selected or changed are: sequential execution, active update, elitism, orthogonal sampling, convergence threshold enabled, step size adaption scheme, mirrored sampling, the base sampler, weight option, local restarts and bound correction. The goal in the optimization is to find the global function minimum before the cutoff, so the cost is defined as the current negativ objective value.

Just like the ModCMA benchmark (which provides a very similar problem with a different backend), this benchmark is challenging due to the large configuration space. It is an advanced benchmark that should likely not be the starting point for the development of DAC methods.

class dacbench.benchmarks.modea_benchmark.ModeaBenchmark(config_path=None, config=None)

Bases: *AbstractBenchmark*

Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Modea

get_environment()

Return ModeaEnv env with current configuration

Returns

Modea environment

Return type

ModeaEnv

read_instance_set(test=False)

Read path of instances from config into list

class dacbench.envs.modea.ModeaEnv(config)

Bases: *AbstractEnv*

close()

Override close in your subclass to perform any necessary cleanup.

Environments will automatically close() themselves when garbage collected or when the program exits.

ensureFullLengthRepresentation(*representation*)

Given a (partial) representation, ensure that it is padded to become a full length customizedES representation, consisting of the required number of structure, population and parameter values.

```
>>> ensureFullLengthRepresentation([]) [0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0, None, None]
```

:param *representation*: List representation of a customizedES instance to check and pad if needed :return: Guaranteed full-length version of the representation

reset()

Reset environment

Returns

Environment state

Return type

state

step(*action*)

Execute environment step

Parameters

action – Action to take

Returns

- *state* – Environment state
- *reward* – Environment reward
- **done** (*bool*) – Run finished flag
- **info** (*dict*) – Additional metainfo

CHAPTER
TWELVE

THE IOHPROFILER MODCMA BENCHMARK

Task: control the step size or algorithm components of CMA-ES on BBOB functions

Cost: negative objective value

Number of hyperparameters to control: either one float or up to 11 categoricals

State Information: generation size, step size, remaining budget, function ID, instance ID

Noise Level: fairly large, depends on target function

Instance space: the BBOB functions with ids, starting point and starting sigma as well as population size

This benchmark is based on the IOHProfiler implementation of CMA-ES and enables both step size cool and algorithm component selection on the BBOB function set. The components of the algorithm that can be selected or changed are: sequential execution, active update, elitism, orthogonal sampling, convergence threshold enabled, step size adaption scheme, mirrored sampling, the base sampler, weight option, local restarts and bound correction. The goal in the optimization is to find the global function minimum before the cutoff, so the cost is defined as the current negativ objective value.

Both versions of this benchmark are challenging due to the large instance space, but the algorithm component control adds another layer of difficulty through its many configuration options. It is an advanced benchmark that should likely not be the starting point for the development of DAC methods.

class dacbench.benchmarks.modcma_benchmark.**ModCMABenchmark**(*config_path*: *Optional[str]* = *None*,
step_size=*False*, *config*=*None*)

Bases: *AbstractBenchmark*

get_environment()

Make benchmark environment

Returns

env – Benchmark environment

Return type

gym.Env

class dacbench.envs.modcma.**ModCMAEnv**(*config*)

Bases: *AbstractEnv*

close()

Override close in your subclass to perform any necessary cleanup.

Environments will automatically close() themselves when garbage collected or when the program exits.

reset()

Reset environment

Returns

Environment state

Return type

state

step(*action*)

Execute environment step

Parameters

action – Action to take

Returns

- *state* – Environment state
- *reward* – Environment reward
- **done** (*bool*) – Run finished flag
- **info** (*dict*) – Additional metainfo

CHAPTER
THIRTEEN

THE SGD DEEP LEARNING BENCHMARK

Task: control the learning rate in deep learning

Cost: log differential validation loss

Number of hyperparameters to control: one float

State Information: predictive change variance, predictive change variance, loss variance, loss variance uncertainty, current learning rate, training loss, validation loss, step, alignment, crashed

Noise Level: fairly large

Instance space: dataset, network architecture, optimizer

Built on top of PyTorch, this benchmark allows for dynamic learning rate control in deep learning. At each step until the cutoff, i.e. after each epoch, the DAC controller provides a new learning rate value to the network. Success is measured by decreasing validation loss.

This is a very flexible benchmark, as in principle all kinds of classification datasets and PyTorch compatible architectures can be included in training. The underlying task is not easy, however, so we recommend starting with small networks and datasets and building up to harder tasks.

`class dacbench.benchmarks.sgd_benchmark.SGDBenchmark(config_path=None, config=None)`

Bases: *AbstractBenchmark*

Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for SGD

`get_benchmark(instance_set_path=None, seed=0)`

Get benchmark from the LTO paper

Parameters

`seed (int)` – Environment seed

Returns

`env` – SGD environment

Return type

SGDEnv

`get_environment()`

Return SGDEnv env with current configuration

Returns

SGD environment

Return type

SGDEnv

read_instance_set(*test=False*)

Read path of instances from config into list

class dacbench.envs.sgd.Reward(*value*)Bases: `IntEnum`

An enumeration.

class dacbench.envs.sgd.SGDEnv(*config*)Bases: `AbstractEnv`

Environment to control the learning rate of adam

close()

No additional cleanup necessary

Returns

Cleanup flag

Return type

bool

get_default_state(*_*)

Gather state description

Returns

Environment state

Return type

dict

render(*mode: str = 'human'*)

Render env in human mode

Parameters**mode** (`str`) – Execution mode**reset**(*_*)

Reset environment

Returns

Environment state

Return type

np.array

seed(*seed=None, seed_action_space=False*)

Set rng seed

Parameters

- **seed** – seed for rng
- **seed_action_space** (`bool, default False`) – if to seed the action space as well

step(*action*)

Execute environment step

Parameters**action** (`list`) – action to execute**Returns**

state, reward, done, info

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

val_model

Samuel Mueller (PhD student in our group) also uses backpack and has ran into a similar memory leak. He solved it calling this custom made RECURSIVE memory_cleanup function: # from backpack import memory_cleanup # def recursive_backpack_memory_cleanup(module: torch.nn.Module): # memory_cleanup(module) # for m in module.modules(): # memory_cleanup(m) (calling this after computing the training loss/gradients and after validation loss should suffice)

Type

TODO

CHAPTER
FOURTEEN

SAVING & LOADING BENCHMARK CONFIGURATIONS

While we encourage the use of the default benchmark settings, we recognize that our benchmarks are not perfect and can be improved upon. Therefore, it is possible to modify benchmarks and save these modifications to share with others.

To load a configuration shared with you, read it using the corresponding benchmark class:

```
from dacbench.benchmarks import SigmoidBenchmark

bench = SigmoidBenchmark()
bench.read_config_file("path/to/your/config.json")
modified_benchmark = bench.get_environment()
```

The `get_environment()` method overrides wth default configurations with your changes. That way you can directly modify the benchmarks:

```
from dacbench.benchmarks import SigmoidBenchmark

bench = SigmoidBenchmark()

# Increase episode length
bench.config.cutoff = 20
# Decrease slope multiplier
bench.config.slope_multiplier = 1.5

modified_benchmark = bench.get_environment()
```

To then save this configuration:

```
bench.save_config("your/path/config.json")
```

In case you want to modify state information, reward function or other complex benchmark attributes, be sure to adapt all dependencies in the configuration. Benchmarks have methods to do this for common changes like the number of dimensions in Sigmoid.

If any of your changes pass a function to the configuration, please be sure to provide the code for this function along with the configuration itself. If you want to save wrappers to the config (e.g. an instance sampling wrapper), you need to register them beforehand and also provide any functions that may serve as arguments.

MODIFYING OBSERVATIONS & COST

While all benchmarks in DACBench come with a default option for both the reward function and what observations about the algorithm are shown to the DAC controller, both can be configured individually if needed. The standard way of doing this on most benchmark is to use the config to provide a function. A very simple example could look like this:

```
from dacbench.benchmarks import SigmoidBenchmark

def new_reward(env):
    if env.c_step % 2 == 0:
        return 1
    else:
        return 0

bench = SigmoidBenchmark()
bench.config.reward_function = new_reward
modified_benchmark = bench.get_environment()
```

The environment itself is provided as an argument, so all internal information can be used to get the reward. The same goes for the observations:

```
from dacbench.benchmarks import SigmoidBenchmark

def new_obs(env):
    return env.remaining_budget

bench = SigmoidBenchmark()
bench.config.state_method = new_obs
modified_benchmark = bench.get_environment()
```

If the config is logged, information about the updated functions is saved too, but for reusing this config, the code needs to be provided. That means anyone that want to run a setting with altered rewards and observations needs the config plus the code of the new functions. Therefore we advise to provide a file with only these functions in addition to the config - or make a PR to DACBench!

CHAPTER
SIXTEEN

FUNCTIONALITY THROUGH WRAPPERS

In order to comfortably provide additional functionality to environments without changing the interface, we can use so-called wrappers. They execute environment resets and steps internally, but can either alter the environment behavior (e.g. by adding noise) or record information about the environment. To wrap an existing environment is simple:

```
from dacbench.wrappers import PerformanceTrackingWrapper

wrapped_env = PerformanceTrackingWrapper(env)
```

The provided environments for tracking performance, state and action information are designed to be used with DACBench's logging functionality.

class dacbench.wrappers.ActionFrequencyWrapper(*env*, *action_interval=None*, *logger=None*)

Wrapper to action frequency. Includes interval mode that returns frequencies in lists of len(interval) instead of one long list.

get_actions()

Get state progression

Returns

all states or all states and interval sorted states

Return type

np.array or np.array, np.array

render_action_tracking()

Render action progression

Returns

RBG data of action tracking

Return type

np.array

step(*action*)

Execute environment step and record state

Parameters

action (*int*) – action to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, metainfo

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

```
class dacbench.wrappers.EpisodeTimeWrapper(env, time_interval=None, logger=None)
```

Wrapper to track time spent per episode. Includes interval mode that returns times in lists of len(interval) instead of one long list.

get_times()

Get times

Returns

all times or all times and interval sorted times

Return type

np.array or np.array, np.array

```
render_episode_time()
```

Render episode times

```
render_step_time()
```

Render step times

```
step(action)
```

Execute environment step and record time

Parameters

action (int) – action to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, metainfo

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

```
class dacbench.wrappers.InstanceSamplingWrapper(env, sampling_function=None, instances=None, reset_interval=0)
```

Wrapper to sample a new instance at a given time point. Instances can either be sampled using a given method or a distribution inferred from a given list of instances.

fit_dist(instances)

Approximate instance distribution in given instance set

Parameters

instances (List) – instance set

Returns

sampling method for new instances

Return type

method

reset()

Reset environment and use sampled instance for training

Returns

state

Return type

np.array

```
class dacbench.wrappers.ObservationWrapper(env)
```

Wrapper convert observations spaces to spaces.Box for convenience Currently only supports Dict -> Box

reset()

Execute environment step and record distance

Returns

state

Return type

np.array

step(action)

Execute environment step and record distance

Parameters

action (int) – action to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, metainfo

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

```
class dacbench.wrappers.PerformanceTrackingWrapper(env, performance_interval=None,
                                                    track_instance_performance=True,
                                                    logger=None)
```

Wrapper to track episode performance. Includes interval mode that returns performance in lists of len(interval) instead of one long list.

get_performance()

Get state performance

Returns

all states or all states and interval sorted states

Return type

np.array or np.array, np.array or np.array, dict or np.array, np.array, dict

render_instance_performance()

Plot mean performance for each instance

render_performance()

Plot performance

step(action)

Execute environment step and record performance

Parameters

action (int) – action to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, metainfo

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

```
class dacbench.wrappers.PolicyProgressWrapper(env, compute_optimal)
```

Wrapper to track progress towards optimal policy. Can only be used if a way to obtain the optimal policy given an instance can be obtained

render_policy_progress()

Plot progress

step(*action*)

Execute environment step and record distance

Parameters

action (*int*) – action to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, metainfo

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

class dacbench.wrappers.RewardNoiseWrapper(*env*, *noise_function=None*, *noise_dist='standard_normal'*, *dist_args=None*)

Wrapper to add noise to the reward signal. Noise can be sampled from a custom distribution or any distribution in numpy's random module

add_noise(*dist*, *args*)

Make noise function from distribution name and arguments

Parameters

- **dist** (*str*) – Name of distribution
- **args** (*list*) – List of distribution arguments

Returns

Noise sampling function

Return type

function

step(*action*)

Execute environment step and add noise

Parameters

action (*int*) – action to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, metainfo

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

class dacbench.wrappers.StateTrackingWrapper(*env*, *state_interval=None*, *logger=None*)

Wrapper to track state changed over time Includes interval mode that returns states in lists of len(interval) instead of one long list.

get_states()

Get state progression

Returns

all states or all states and interval sorted states

Return type

np.array or np.array, np.array

render_state_tracking()

Render state progression

Returns

RGB data of state tracking

Return type

np.array

reset()

Reset environment and record starting state

Returns

state

Return type

np.array

step(*action*)

Execute environment step and record state

Parameters

action (*int*) – action to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, metainfo

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

CHAPTER
SEVENTEEN

LOGGING EXPERIMENTS

As there are many potentially interesting metrics involved in the analysis of DAC methods, DACBench includes the possibility to track and store them.

To log information on an environment, you need a logger object:

```
from dacbench.logger import Logger
from pathlib import Path

logger = Logger(experiment_name="example", output_path=Path("your/path"))
```

If you want to use any of our tracking wrappers, you can then create a logging module for them:

```
from dacbench.wrappers import PerformanceTrackingWrapper

performance_logger = logger.add_module(PerformanceTrackingWrapper)
env = PerformanceTrackingWrapper(env, logger=performance_logger)
logger.add_env()
```

Now the logger will store information in the specified directory in .jsonl files. By adding more wrappers, you will also be provided with more information. The stored data can then be loaded into pandas dataframes:

```
from dacbench.logger import load_logs, log2dataframe

logs = load_logs("your/path/PerfomancyTrackingWrapper.jsonl")
df = log2dataframe(logs)
```

```
class dacbench.logger.AbstractLogger(experiment_name: str, output_path: Path, step_write_frequency:  
Optional[int] = None, episode_write_frequency: int = 1)
```

Logger interface.

The logger classes provide a way of writing structured logs as jsonl files and also help to track information like current episode, step, time ...

In the jsonl log file each row corresponds to a step.

abstract close() → None

Makes sure, that all remaining entries in the are written to file and the file is closed.

abstract log_dict(data)

Alternative to log if more the one value should be logged at once.

Parameters

data (dict) – a dict with key-value so that each value is a valid value for log

abstract **log_space**(*key*: str, *value*: Union[ndarray, Dict], *space_info*=None)

Special for logging gym.spaces.

Currently three types are supported:
* Numbers: e.g. samples from Discrete
* Fixed length arrays like MultiDiscrete or Box
* Dict: assuming each key has fixed length array

Parameters

- **key** – see log
- **value** – see log
- **space_info** – a list of column names. The length of this list must equal the resulting number of columns.

abstract **next_episode**() → None

Call at the end of episode.

See next_step

abstract **next_step**() → None

Call at the end of the step. Updates the internal state and dumps the information of the last step into a json

set_env(*env*: AbstractEnv) → None

Needed to infer automatically logged information like the instance id :param env: :type env: AbstractEnv

abstract **write**() → None

Writes buffered logs to file.

Invoke manually if you want to load logs during a run.

class dacbench.logger.Logger(*experiment_name*: str, *output_path*: Path, *step_write_frequency*: Optional[int] = None, *episode_write_frequency*: int = 1)

A logger that manages the creation of the module loggers.

To get a ModuleLogger for your module (e.g. my_wrapper) call module_logger = Logger(...).add_module("my_wrapper"). From now on module_logger.log(...) or logger.log(..., module="my_wrapper") can be used to log.

The logger module takes care of updating information like episode and step in the subloggers. To indicate to the loggers the end of the episode or the next_step simple call logger.next_episode() or logger.next_step().

add_agent(*agent*: AbstractDABCbenchAgent)

Writes information about the agent

Parameters

agent (AbstractDABCbenchAgent) –

add_benchmark(*benchmark*: AbstractBenchmark) → None

Writes the config to the experiment path :param benchmark:

add_module(*module*: Union[str, type]) → ModuleLogger

Creates a sub-logger. For more details see class level documentation :param module: The module name or Wrapper-Type to create a sub-logger for :type module: str or type

Returns

Return type

ModuleLogger

close()

Makes sure, that all remaining entries (from all sublogger) are written to files and the files are closed.

log_dict(data, module)

Alternative to log if more than one value should be logged at once.

Parameters

data (*dict*) – a dict with key-value so that each value is a valid value for log

log_space(key, value, module, space_info=None)

Special for logging gym.spaces.

Currently three types are supported:
 * Numbers: e.g. samples from Discrete
 * Fixed length arrays like MultiDiscrete or Box
 * Dict: assuming each key has fixed length array

Parameters

- **key** – see log
- **value** – see log
- **space_info** – a list of column names. The length of this list must equal the resulting number of columns.

next_episode()

Call at the end of episode.

See next_step

next_step()

Call at the end of the step. Updates the internal state of all subloggers and dumps the information of the last step into a json

set_env(env: AbstractEnv) → None

Needed to infer automatically logged information like the instance id :param env: :type env: AbstractEnv

write()

Writes buffered logs to file.

Invoke manually if you want to load logs during a run.

```
class dacbench.logger.ModuleLogger(output_path: Path, experiment_name: str, module: str,
                                    step_write_frequency: Optional[int] = None, episode_write_frequency:
                                    int = 1)
```

A logger for handling logging of one module. e.g. a wrapper or toplevel general logging.

Don't create manually use Logger to manage ModuleLoggers

close()

Makes sure, that all remaining entries in the are written to file and the file is closed.

get_logfile() → Path**Returns**

the path to the log file of this logger

Return type

pathlib.Path

log_dict(*data: Dict*) → None

Alternative to log if more than one value should be logged at once.

Parameters

data (*dict*) – a dict with key-value so that each value is a valid value for log

log_space(*key, value, space_info=None*)

Special for logging gym.spaces.

Currently three types are supported:
* Numbers: e.g. samples from Discrete
* Fixed length arrays like MultiDiscrete or Box
* Dict: assuming each key has fixed length array

Parameters

- **key** – see log
- **value** – see log
- **space_info** – a list of column names. The length of this list must equal the resulting number of columns.

next_episode()

Writes buffered logs to file.

Invoke manually if you want to load logs during a run.

next_step()

Call at the end of the step. Updates the internal state and dumps the information of the last step into a json

reset_episode() → None

Resets the episode and step.

Be aware that this can lead to ambitious keys if no instance or seed or other identifying additional info is set

Returns**set_additional_info(**kwargs)**

Can be used to log additional information for each step e.g. for seed, and instance id. :param kwargs:

write()

Writes buffered logs to file.

Invoke manually if you want to load logs during a run.

dacbench.logger.flatten_log_entry(*log_entry: Dict*) → List[Dict]

Transforms a log entry of format like

```
{  
    'step': 0, 'episode': 2, 'some_value': {  
        'values' : [34, 45], 'times':[‘28-12-20 16:20:53’, ‘28-12-20 16:21:30’],  
    }  
} into [  
    { ‘step’: 0,’episode’: 2, ‘value’: 34, ‘time’: ‘28-12-20 16:20:53’}, { ‘step’: 0,’episode’: 2, ‘value’: 45, ‘time’: ‘28-12-20 16:21:30’}  
]
```

Parameters

- **log_entry** (*Dict*) – A log entry

`dacbench.logger.list_to_tuple(list_: List) → Tuple`

Recursively transforms a list of lists into tuples :param **list_** : (nested) list

Returns**Return type**

- (nested) tuple

`dacbench.logger.load_logs(log_file: Path) → List[Dict]`

Loads the logs from a jsonl written by any logger.

The result is the list of dicts in the format: {

```
'instance': 0, 'episode': 0, 'step': 1, 'example_log_val': {
    'values': [val1, val2, ... valn], 'times': [time1, time2, ..., timen],
}
```

} :param **log_file**: The path to the log file :type **log_file**: `pathlib.Path`

Returns**Return type**

- [*Dict*, ...]

`dacbench.logger.log2dataframe(logs: List[dict], wide: bool = False, drop_columns: List[str] = ['time']) → DataFrame`

Converts a list of log entries to a pandas dataframe.

Usually used in combination with `load_dataframe`.

Parameters

- **logs** (*List*) – List of log entries
- **wide** (*bool*) – wide=False (default) produces a dataframe with columns (episode, step, time, name, value) wide=True returns a dataframe (episode, step, time, name_1, name_2, ...) if the variable name_n has not been logged at (episode, step, time) name_n is NaN.
- **drop_columns** (*List[str]*) – List of column names to be dropped (before reshaping the long dataframe) mostly used in combination with wide=True to reduce NaN values

Returns**Return type**

- dataframe

`dacbench.logger.split(predicate: Callable, iterable: Iterable) → Tuple[List, List]`

Splits the iterable into two list depending on the result of predicate.

Parameters

- **predicate** (*Callable*) – A function taking an element of the iterable and return Ture or False
- **iterable** (*Iterable*) –

Returns**Return type**

- (positives, negatives)

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PLOTTING RESULTS

To immediately plot data stored with DACBench wrappers, you can use the built-in plotting functions. They use seaborn and format loaded dataframes automatically (see examples on GitHub).

`dacbench.plotting.add_multi_level_ticks(grid: FacetGrid, plot_index: DataFrame, x_column: str, x_label_columns: str) → None`

Expects a FacetGrid with `global_step` (`x_column`) as x-axis and replaces the tick labels to match format `episode:step`

E.g. Run with 3 episodes, each of 10 steps. This results in 30 global steps. The resulting tick labels could be `['0', '4', '9', '14', '19', '24', '29']`. After applying this method they will look like `['0:0', '0:4', '1:0', '1:4', '2:0', '2:4', '3:0', '3:4']`

Parameters

- **grid** (`sns.FacetGrid`) –
- **plot_index** (`pd.DataFrame`) – The mapping between current tick labels (global step values) and new tick labels joined by `:`. usually the result from `generate_global_step`
- **x_column** (`str`) – column label to use for looking up tick values
- **x_label_columns** (`[str, ...]`) – columns labels of columns to use for new labels (joined by `:`)

`dacbench.plotting.generate_global_step(data: DataFrame, x_column: str = 'global_step', x_label_columns: str = ['episode', 'step']) → Tuple[DataFrame, str, List[str]]`

Add a `global_step` column which enumerate all step over all episodes.

Returns the altered data, a data frame containing mapping between `global_step`, `x_column` and `x_label_columns`.

Often used in combination with `add_multi_level_ticks`.

Parameters

- **data** –
- **x_column** (`str`) – the name of the `global_step` (default ‘`global_step`’)
- **x_label_columns** (`[str, ...]`) – the name and hierarchical order of the columns (default `['episode', 'step']`)

Returns

Return type

`(data, plot_index, x_column, x_label_columns)`

```
dacbench.plotting.plot(plot_function, settings: dict, title: Optional[str] = None, x_label: Optional[str] = None, y_label: Optional[str] = None, **kwargs) → FacetGrid
```

Helper function that: create a FacetGrid 1. Updates settings with kwargs (overwrites values) 2. Plots using plot_function(**settings) 3. Set x and y labels of not provided the columns names will converted to pretty strings using space_sep_upper 4. Sets title (some times has to be readjusted afterwards especially in case of large plots e.g. multiple rows/cols)

Parameters

- **plot_function** – function to generate the FacedGrid. E.g. sns.catplot or sns.catplot
- **settings** (*dict*) – a dicts containing all needed default settings.
- **title** (*str*) – Title of the plot (optional)
- **x_label** (*str*) – Label of the x-axis (optional)
- **y_label** (*str*) – Label of the y-axis (optional)
- **kwargs** – Keyword arguments to overwrite default settings.

Returns

Return type

sns.FacedGrid

```
dacbench.plotting.plot_action(data, show_global_step=False, interval=1, title=None, x_label=None, y_label=None, **kwargs)
```

Create a line plot showing actions over time.

Please be aware that action spaces can be quite large and the plots can become quite messy (and take some time) if you try plot all dimensions at once. It is therefore recommended to select a subset of columns before running the plot method.

Per default the mean performance and one std dev over all instances and seeds is shown if you want to change this specify a property to map those attributes to e.g hue='seed' or/and col='instance'. For more details see: <https://seaborn.pydata.org/generated/seaborn.relplot.html>

For examples refer to examples/plotting/action_plotting.py

Parameters

- **data** (*pd.DataFrame*) – Dataframe resulting from logging and loading using log2dataframe(logs, wide=True)
- **show_global_step** (*bool*) – If to show the global_step (step enumerated over all episodes) or Episode:Step. (False default)
- **interval** (*int*) – Interval in number of steps to average over. (default = 1)
- **title** (*str*) – Title of the plot (optional)
- **x_label** (*str*) – Label of the x-axis (optional)
- **y_label** (*str*) – Label of the y-axis (optional)
- **kwargs** – Keyword arguments to overwrite default settings.

Returns

Return type

sns.FacedGrid

```
dacbench.plotting.plot_episode_time(data, title=None, x_label=None, y_label=None, **kwargs) →
    FacetGrid
```

Create a line plot showing the measured time per episode.

Per default the mean performance and one std dev over all instances and seeds is shown if you want to change this specify a property to map those attributes to e.g hue='seed' or/and col='instance'. For more details see: <https://seaborn.pydata.org/generated/seaborn.relplot.html>

For examples refer to examples/plotting/time_plotting.py

Parameters

- **data** (*pd.DataFrame*) – Dataframe resulting from logging and loading using log2dataframe(logs, wide=True)
- **title** (*str*) – Title of the plot (optional)
- **x_label** (*str*) – Label of the x-axis (optional)
- **y_label** (*str*) – Label of the y-axis (optional)
- **kwargs** – Keyword arguments to overwrite default settings.

Returns

Return type

sns.FacetGrid

```
dacbench.plotting.plot_performance(data, title=None, x_label=None, y_label=None, **kwargs) →
    FacetGrid
```

Create a line plot of the performance over episodes.

Per default the mean performance and one std dev over all instances and seeds is shown if you want to change this specify a property to map those attributes to e.g hue='seed' or/and col='instance'. For more details see: <https://seaborn.pydata.org/generated/seaborn.relplot.html>

For examples refer to examples/plotting/performance_plotting.py

Parameters

- **data** (*pd.DataFrame*) – Dataframe resulting from logging and loading using log2dataframe(logs, wide=True)
- **title** (*str*) – Title of the plot (optional)
- **x_label** (*str*) – Label of the x-axis (optional)
- **y_label** (*str*) – Label of the y-axis (optional)
- **kwargs** – Keyword arguments to overwrite default settings.

Returns

Return type

sns.FacetGrid

```
dacbench.plotting.plot_performance_per_instance(data, title=None, x_label=None, y_label=None,
                                                **args) → FacetGrid
```

Create a bar plot of the mean performance per instance ordered by the performance.

Per default the mean performance seeds is shown if you want to change this specify a property to map seed to e.g. col='seed'. For more details see: <https://seaborn.pydata.org/generated/seaborn.catplot.html>

For examples refer to examples/plotting/performance_plotting.py

Parameters

- **data** (*pd.DataFrame*) – Dataframe resulting from logging and loading using log2dataframe(logs, wide=True)
- **title** (*str*) – Title of the plot (optional)
- **x_label** (*str*) – Label of the x-axis (optional)
- **y_label** (*str*) – Label of the y-axis (optional)
- **kwargs** – Keyword arguments to overwrite default settings.

Returns**Return type**

sns.FacedGrid

```
dacbench.plotting.plot_space(data, space_column_name, show_global_step, interval=1, title=None, x_label=None, y_label=None, **args) → FacetGrid
```

Create a line plot showing sapce over time.

Please be aware that spaces can be quite large and the plots can become quite messy (and take some time) if you try plot all dimensions at once. It is therefore recommended to select a subset of columns before running the plot method. Especially for dict spaces.

Per default the mean performance and one stddev over all instances and seeds is shown if you want to change this specify a property to map those attributes to e.g hue='seed' or/and col='instance'. For more details see: <https://seaborn.pydata.org/generated/seaborn.relplot.html>

For examples refer to

examples/plotting/state_plotting.py or examples/plotting/action_plotting.py

Parameters

- **data** (*pd.DataFrame*) – Dataframe resulting from logging and loading using log2dataframe(logs, wide=True)
- **show_global_step** (*bool*) – If to show the global_step (step enumerated over all episodes) or Episode:Step. (False default)
- **interval** (*int*) – Interval in number of steps to average over. (default = 1)
- **title** (*str*) – Title of the plot (optional)
- **x_label** (*str*) – Label of the x-axis (optional)
- **y_label** (*str*) – Label of the y-axis (optional)
- **kwargs** – Keyword arguments to overwrite default settings.

Returns**Return type**

sns.FacedGrid

```
dacbench.plotting.plot_state(data, show_global_step=False, interval=1, title=None, x_label=None, y_label=None, **kargs)
```

Create a line plot showing state over time.

Please be aware that state can be quite large and the plots can become quite messy (and take some time) if you try plot all dimensions at once. It is therefore recommended to select a subset of columns before running the plot method. Especially for dict state spaces.

Per default the mean performance and one std dev over all instances and seeds is shown if you want to change this specify a property to map those attributes to e.g hue='seed' or/and col='instance'. For more details see: <https://seaborn.pydata.org/generated/seaborn.relplot.html>

For examples refer to examples/plotting/state_plotting.py

Parameters

- **data** (*pd.DataFrame*) – Dataframe resulting from logging and loading using log2dataframe(logs, wide=True)
- **show_global_step** (*bool*) – If to show the global_step (step enumerated over all episodes) or Episode:Step. (False default)
- **interval** (*int*) – Interval in number of steps to average over. (default = 1)
- **title** (*str*) – Title of the plot (optional)
- **x_label** (*str*) – Label of the x-axis (optional)
- **y_label** (*str*) – Label of the y-axis (optional)
- **kwargs** – Keyword arguments to overwrite default settings.

Returns

Return type

`sns.FacedGrid`

`dacbench.plotting.plot_step_time(data, show_global_step=False, interval=1, title=None, x_label=None, y_label=None, **args) → FacetGrid`

Create a line plot showing the measured time per step.

Per default the mean performance and one std dev over all instances and seeds is shown if you want to change this specify a property to map those attributes to e.g hue='seed' or/and col='instance'. For more details see: <https://seaborn.pydata.org/generated/seaborn.relplot.html>

For examples refer to examples/plotting/time_plotting.py

Parameters

- **data** (*pd.DataFrame*) – Dataframe resulting from logging and loading using log2dataframe(logs, wide=True)
- **show_global_step** (*bool*) – If to show the global_step (step enumerated over all episodes) or Episode:Step. (False default)
- **interval** (*int*) – Interval in number of steps to average over. (default = 1)
- **title** (*str*) – Title of the plot (optional)
- **x_label** (*str*) – Label of the x-axis (optional)
- **y_label** (*str*) – Label of the y-axis (optional)
- **kwargs** – Keyword arguments to overwrite default settings.

Returns

Return type

`sns.FacedGrid`

`dacbench.plotting.space_sep_upper(column_name: str) → str`

Separates strings at underscores into headings. Used to generate labels from logging names.

Parameters

`column_name` (*str*) –

Returns

Return type

`str`

CONTRIBUTING TO DACBENCH

DACBench is an open-source collaborative project. Since its conception, we have had several valuable contributions and appreciate everyone who wants to make DACBench bigger and better for the community. This document can be a guide on how to get started contributing to DACBench.

In general, there are many ways you can help improve DACBench, including:

- Contributing new benchmarks
- Extending existing benchmarks (by adding e.g. more hyperparameters, extending the state information or providing interesting instances)
- Maintaining the code & fixing bugs
- Improving the documentation

For most of these, the existing issues should give you an idea where to start. If something is missing or not working for you, consider opening an issue on it, especially if it can't be fixed within a few minutes. Issues are also a good place to request new features and extensions, so don't hesitate to create one.

19.1 Guidelines for Pull-Requests

Code contributions are best made through pull-requests. In order to make the integration as easy as possible, we ask that you follow a few steps:

1. Please describe the changes you made in the PR clearly. This makes reviewing much faster and avoids misunderstandings
2. Run our tests and ideally also test coverage before submitting so your PR doesn't accidentally introduce new errors. You can use pytest for both of these, to only test, run from the top level DACBench dir:

```
pytest tests
```

For tests and test coverage:

```
pytest --cov=dacbench --cov-report html tests
```

3. If you install the ‘dev’ extras of DACBench, you should have flake8 and the code formatting tool black setup in a pre-commit hook. Both ensure consistent code quality, so ensure that the format is correct.
4. If you make larger changes to the docs, please build them locally using Sphinx. If you’re not familiar with the tool, you can find a guide here: <https://docs.readthedocs.io/en/stable/intro/getting-started-with-sphinx.html>

19.2 Adding a Benchmark

Adding a benchmark can be quite the project depending on the algorithms it's based on. Therefore you can always contact us via e-mail or through the issues to get assistance.

In general, there are several steps to take:

- 1. Write an environment file** This is where the functionality of your benchmark goes, in a subclass of "AbstractEnv". Especially the "reset" and "step" functions are important as they start a run and execute the next step respectively. Additionally, you should create a default reward function and a function to get the default observations. We recommend using one of the simple toy environments as a model, e.g. the Sigmoid environment file. Don't forget to enable seeding of as much of the target algorithm as possible! You should be able to use the numpy generators provided in 'dacbench.abstract_env.AbstractEnv' the instead of 'np.random' for source of randomness and the provided seeding function in most cases. If you need custom source of randomness e.g. for pytorch, please override the seeding function in your environment.
- 2. Write a benchmark file** This is where you specify available options for your environment, in a subclass of "AbstractBenchmark". That includes options for the observation_space, reward range and action space. At least one for each of these is mandatory, if you include multiple options please make sure that you also specify how to switch between them in the environment, e.g. by adding a variable for this. Please also make sure to include a maximum number of steps per episode. To use some specific wrappers, additional information is required. An example is the progress tracking wrapper, for which either an optimal policy for each instance or a way to compute it has to be specified. The current benchmark classes should give you an idea how detailed these options should be. We encourage you to provide as many possibilities to modify the benchmark as possible in order to make use of it in different scenarios, but documenting these options is important to keep the benchmark usable for others. Again we recommend you take a look at e.g. the SigmoidBenchmark file to see how such a structure might look.
- 3. Provide an instance set (or a way to sample one)** Instances are of course important for running the benchmark. The standard way of using them in DABCbench is to read an instance set from file. This is not mandatory, however! You can define an instance sampling method to work with our instance sampling wrapper to generate instances every episode or you can sample the instance set once before creating the environment. How exactly you deal with instances should be specified in the benchmark class when creating the environment. An example for the instance sampling wrapper can be found in the SigmoidBenchmark class. Even if you provide an instance set, also making ways of sampling new instance sets possible would of course be helpful to other users. You can furthermore provide more than one instance set, in that case it would be a good idea to label them, e.g. "wide_instance_dist" or "east_instances".
- 4. Add an example use case & test cases** To make the new benchmark accessible to everyone, please provide a small example of training an optimizer on it. It can be short, but it should show any special cases (e.g. CMA uses a dictionary as state representation, therefore the example shows a way to flatten it into an array). Additionally, please provide test cases for your benchmark class to ensure the environment is created properly and methods like reading the instance set work as they should.
- 5. Submit a pull request** Once everything is working, we would be grateful if you want to share the benchmark! Submit a pull request on GitHub in which you briefly describe the benchmark and why it is interesting. The top of the page includes some technical things to pay attention to before submitting. Feel free to include details on how it was modelled and please cite the source if the benchmark uses existing code.

Thank you for your contributions!

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CITING DACBENCH

If you use DACBench your research, please cite us with the following Bibtex file:

```
@inproceedings{eimer-ijcai21,  
    author    = {T. Eimer and A. Biedenkapp and M. Reimer and S. Adriaensen and F. Hutter and M. Lindauer},  
    title     = {DACBench: A Benchmark Library for Dynamic Algorithm Configuration},  
    booktitle = {Proceedings of the Thirtieth International Joint Conference on Artificial Intelligence ({IJCAI}'21)},  
    year      = {2021},  
    month     = aug,  
    publisher = {ijcai.org}  
}
```

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API REFERENCE

This page contains auto-generated API reference documentation¹.

21.1 dacbench

DACBench: a benchmark library for Dynamic Algorithm Configuration

21.1.1 Subpackages

`dacbench.agents`

Submodules

`dacbench.agents.dynamic_random_agent`

Module Contents

Classes

<code>DynamicRandomAgent</code>	Abstract class to implement for use with the runner function
<hr/>	
<code>class dacbench.agents.dynamic_random_agent.DynamicRandomAgent(env, switching_interval)</code>	
Bases: <code>dacbench.abstract_agent.AbstractDACBenchAgent</code>	
Abstract class to implement for use with the runner function	
<code>act(self, state, reward)</code>	
Compute and return environment action	
Parameters	
• state – Environment state	
• reward – Environment reward	
Returns	
Action to take	

¹ Created with `sphinx-autoapi`

Return type

action

train(*self*, *next_state*, *reward*)

Train during episode if needed (pass if not)

Parameters

- **next_state** – Environment state after step
- **reward** – Environment reward

end_episode(*self*, *state*, *reward*)

End of episode training if needed (pass if not)

Parameters

- **state** – Environment state
- **reward** – Environment reward

dacbench.agents.generic_agent**Module Contents****Classes****GenericAgent**Abstract class to implement for use with the runner function

class dacbench.agents.generic_agent.**GenericAgent**(*env*, *policy*)Bases: *dacbench.abstract_agent.AbstractDACPenchAgent*

Abstract class to implement for use with the runner function

act(*self*, *state*, *reward*)

Compute and return environment action

Parameters

- **state** – Environment state
- **reward** – Environment reward

Returns

Action to take

Return type

action

train(*self*, *next_state*, *reward*)

Train during episode if needed (pass if not)

Parameters

- **next_state** – Environment state after step
- **reward** – Environment reward

end_episode(self, state, reward)

End of episode training if needed (pass if not)

Parameters

- **state** – Environment state
- **reward** – Environment reward

dacbench.agents.simple_agents**Module Contents****Classes**

<i>RandomAgent</i>	Abstract class to implement for use with the runner function
<i>StaticAgent</i>	Abstract class to implement for use with the runner function

class dacbench.agents.simple_agents.RandomAgent(env)

Bases: *dacbench.abstract_agent.AbstractDACBenchAgent*

Abstract class to implement for use with the runner function

act(self, state, reward)

Compute and return environment action

Parameters

- **state** – Environment state
- **reward** – Environment reward

Returns

Action to take

Return type

action

train(self, next_state, reward)

Train during episode if needed (pass if not)

Parameters

- **next_state** – Environment state after step
- **reward** – Environment reward

end_episode(self, state, reward)

End of episode training if needed (pass if not)

Parameters

- **state** – Environment state
- **reward** – Environment reward

```
class dacbench.agents.simple_agents.StaticAgent(env, action)
```

Bases: *dacbench.abstract_agent.AbstractDACBenchAgent*

Abstract class to implement for use with the runner function

```
act(self, state, reward)
```

Compute and return environment action

Parameters

- **state** – Environment state
- **reward** – Environment reward

Returns

Action to take

Return type

action

```
train(self, next_state, reward)
```

Train during episode if needed (pass if not)

Parameters

- **next_state** – Environment state after step
- **reward** – Environment reward

```
end_episode(self, state, reward)
```

End of episode training if needed (pass if not)

Parameters

- **state** – Environment state
- **reward** – Environment reward

Package Contents

Classes

<i>GenericAgent</i>	Abstract class to implement for use with the runner function
<i>RandomAgent</i>	Abstract class to implement for use with the runner function
<i>StaticAgent</i>	Abstract class to implement for use with the runner function
<i>DynamicRandomAgent</i>	Abstract class to implement for use with the runner function

```
class dacbench.agents.GenericAgent(env, policy)
```

Bases: *dacbench.abstract_agent.AbstractDACBenchAgent*

Abstract class to implement for use with the runner function

act(*self, state, reward*)

Compute and return environment action

Parameters

- **state** – Environment state
- **reward** – Environment reward

Returns

Action to take

Return type

action

train(*self, next_state, reward*)

Train during episode if needed (pass if not)

Parameters

- **next_state** – Environment state after step
- **reward** – Environment reward

end_episode(*self, state, reward*)

End of episode training if needed (pass if not)

Parameters

- **state** – Environment state
- **reward** – Environment reward

class dacbench.agents.RandomAgent(*env*)

Bases: *dacbench.abstract_agent.AbstractDACBenchAgent*

Abstract class to implement for use with the runner function

act(*self, state, reward*)

Compute and return environment action

Parameters

- **state** – Environment state
- **reward** – Environment reward

Returns

Action to take

Return type

action

train(*self, next_state, reward*)

Train during episode if needed (pass if not)

Parameters

- **next_state** – Environment state after step
- **reward** – Environment reward

end_episode(*self, state, reward*)

End of episode training if needed (pass if not)

Parameters

- **state** – Environment state
- **reward** – Environment reward

class dacbench.agents.StaticAgent(*env, action*)
Bases: *dacbench.abstract_agent.AbstractDABCbenchAgent*

Abstract class to implement for use with the runner function

act(*self, state, reward*)
Compute and return environment action

Parameters

- **state** – Environment state
- **reward** – Environment reward

Returns

Action to take

Return type
action

train(*self, next_state, reward*)
Train during episode if needed (pass if not)

Parameters

- **next_state** – Environment state after step
- **reward** – Environment reward

end_episode(*self, state, reward*)
End of episode training if needed (pass if not)

Parameters

- **state** – Environment state
- **reward** – Environment reward

class dacbench.agents.DynamicRandomAgent(*env, switching_interval*)
Bases: *dacbench.abstract_agent.AbstractDABCbenchAgent*

Abstract class to implement for use with the runner function

act(*self, state, reward*)
Compute and return environment action

Parameters

- **state** – Environment state
- **reward** – Environment reward

Returns
Action to take

Return type
action

train(*self, next_state, reward*)
Train during episode if needed (pass if not)

Parameters

- **next_state** – Environment state after step
- **reward** – Environment reward

end_episode(self, state, reward)

End of episode training if needed (pass if not)

Parameters

- **state** – Environment state
- **reward** – Environment reward

`dacbench.benchmarks`

Submodules

`dacbench.benchmarks.cma_benchmark`

Module Contents

Classes

<code>CMAESBenchmark</code>	Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for CMA-ES
<code>dacbench.benchmarks.cma_benchmark.HISTORY_LENGTH = 40</code>	
<code>dacbench.benchmarks.cma_benchmark.INPUT_DIM = 10</code>	
<code>dacbench.benchmarks.cma_benchmark.DEFAULT_CFG_SPACE</code>	
<code>dacbench.benchmarks.cma_benchmark.STEP_SIZE</code>	
<code>dacbench.benchmarks.cma_benchmark.INFO</code>	
<code>dacbench.benchmarks.cma_benchmark.CMAES_DEFAULTS</code>	
class <code>dacbench.benchmarks.cma_benchmark.CMAESBenchmark(config_path=None, config=None)</code>	
Bases: <code>dacbench.abstract_benchmark.AbstractBenchmark</code>	
Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for CMA-ES	
get_environment(self)	
Return CMAESEnv env with current configuration	
Returns	
CMAES environment	
Return type	
<code>CMAESEnv</code>	
read_instance_set(self, test=False)	
Read path of instances from config into list	

```
get_benchmark(self, seed=0)
    Get benchmark from the LTO paper

    Parameters
        seed (int) – Environment seed

    Returns
        env – CMAES environment

    Return type
        CMAESEnv
```

dacbench.benchmarks.fast_downward_benchmark

Module Contents

Classes

<code>FastDownwardBenchmark</code>	Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Sigmoid
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```
dacbench.benchmarks.fast_downward_benchmark.HEURISTICS =
['tiebreaking([pdb(pattern=manual_pattern([0,1])),weight(g(),-1)])',
'tiebreaking([pdb(pattern=manual_pattern([0,2])),weight(g(),-1)])']

dacbench.benchmarks.fast_downward_benchmark.DEFAULT_CFG_SPACE
dacbench.benchmarks.fast_downward_benchmark.HEURISTIC
dacbench.benchmarks.fast_downward_benchmark.INFO
dacbench.benchmarks.fast_downward_benchmark.FD_DEFAULTS

class dacbench.benchmarks.fast_downward_benchmark.FastDownwardBenchmark(config_path=None,
config=None)
```

Bases: `dacbench.abstract_benchmark.AbstractBenchmark`

Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Sigmoid

get_environment(self)

Return Luby env with current configuration

Returns
Luby environment

Return type
`LubyEnv`

read_instance_set(self, test=False)

Read paths of instances from config into list

set_heuristics(self, heuristics)

get_benchmark(*self*, *seed*=0)

Get published benchmark

Parameters

- seed** (*int*) – Environment seed

Returns

- env** – FD environment

Return type

FastDownwardEnv

dacbench.benchmarks.geometric_benchmark

Module Contents

Classes

<i>GeometricBenchmark</i>	Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Geometric
---------------------------	---

dacbench.benchmarks.geometric_benchmark.FILE_PATH

dacbench.benchmarks.geometric_benchmark.ACTION_VALUES = [5, 10]

dacbench.benchmarks.geometric_benchmark.DEFAULT_CFG_SPACE

dacbench.benchmarks.geometric_benchmark.INFO

dacbench.benchmarks.geometric_benchmark.GEOMETRIC_DEFAULTS

class dacbench.benchmarks.geometric_benchmark.GeometricBenchmark(*config_path*=None)

Bases: *dacbench.abstract_benchmark.AbstractBenchmark*

Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Geometric

get_environment(*self*)

Return Geometric env with current configuration

Returns

Geometric environment

Return type

GeometricEnv

read_instance_set(*self*)

Read instance set from file Creates a nested List for every Intance. The List contains all functions with their respective values.

get_benchmark(*self*, *dimension*=None, *seed*=0)

[summary]

Parameters

- **dimension** ([*type*], *optional*) – [description], by default None
- **seed** (*int*, *optional*) – [description], by default 0

Returns

[description]

Return type

[type]

set_action_values(*self*)

Adapt action values and update dependencies Number of actions can differ between functions if configured in DefaultDict Set observation space args.

set_action_description(*self*)

Add Information about Derivative and Coordinate to Description.

create_correlation_table(*self*)

Create correlation table from Config infos

dacbench.benchmarks.geometric_benchmark.**geo_bench**

dacbench.benchmarks.luby_benchmark

Module Contents

Classes

LubyBenchmark

Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Sigmoid

dacbench.benchmarks.luby_benchmark.**MAX_STEPS**

dacbench.benchmarks.luby_benchmark.**LUBY_SEQUENCE**

dacbench.benchmarks.luby_benchmark.**HISTORY_LENGTH** = 5

dacbench.benchmarks.luby_benchmark.**DEFAULT_CFG_SPACE**

dacbench.benchmarks.luby_benchmark.**SEQ**

dacbench.benchmarks.luby_benchmark.**INFO**

dacbench.benchmarks.luby_benchmark.**LUBY_DEFAULTS**

class dacbench.benchmarks.luby_benchmark.**LubyBenchmark**(*config_path=None*, *config=None*)

Bases: *dacbench.abstract_benchmark.AbstractBenchmark*

Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Sigmoid

get_environment(*self*)

Return Luby env with current configuration

Returns

Luby environment

Return type

LubyEnv

`set_cutoff(self, steps)`

Set cutoff and adapt dependencies

Parameters

int – Maximum number of steps

`set_history_length(self, length)`

Set history length and adapt dependencies

Parameters

int – History length

`read_instance_set(self, test=False)`

Read instance set from file

`get_benchmark(self, L=8, fuzziness=1.5, seed=0)`

Get Benchmark from DAC paper

Parameters

- **L** (*int*) – Minimum sequence lenght, was 8, 16 or 32 in the paper
- **fuzziness** (*float*) – Amount of noise applied. Was 1.5 for most of the experiments
- **seed** (*int*) – Environment seed

Returns

env – Luby environment

Return type

LubyEnv

dacbench.benchmarks.modcma_benchmark**Module Contents****Classes****`ModCMABenchmark`**

Abstract template for benchmark classes

`dacbench.benchmarks.modcma_benchmark.DEFAULT_CFG_SPACE`

`dacbench.benchmarks.modcma_benchmark.ACTIVE`

`dacbench.benchmarks.modcma_benchmark.ELITIST`

`dacbench.benchmarks.modcma_benchmark.ORTHOGONAL`

`dacbench.benchmarks.modcma_benchmark.SEQUENTIAL`

`dacbench.benchmarks.modcma_benchmark.THRESHOLD_CONVERGENCE`

`dacbench.benchmarks.modcma_benchmark.STEP_SIZE_ADAPTION`

`dacbench.benchmarks.modcma_benchmark.MIRRORED`

`dacbench.benchmarks.modcma_benchmark.BASE_SAMPLER`

```
dacbench.benchmarks.modcma_benchmark.WEIGHTS_OPTION
dacbench.benchmarks.modcma_benchmark.LOCAL_RESTART
dacbench.benchmarks.modcma_benchmark.BOUND_CORRECTION
dacbench.benchmarks.modcma_benchmark.INFO
dacbench.benchmarks.modcma_benchmark.MODECMA_DEFAULTS

class dacbench.benchmarks.modcma_benchmark.ModCMABenchmark(config_path: str = None,
                                                               step_size=False, config=None)

    Bases: dacbench.abstract_benchmark.AbstractBenchmark

    Abstract template for benchmark classes

    get_environment(self)
        Make benchmark environment

        Returns
            env – Benchmark environment

        Return type
            gym.Env

    read_instance_set(self, test=False)

    get_benchmark(self, seed: int = 0)
```

dacbench.benchmarks.modea_benchmark

Module Contents

Classes

<i>ModeaBenchmark</i>	Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Modea
<pre>dacbench.benchmarks.modea_benchmark.INFO dacbench.benchmarks.modea_benchmark.MODEA_DEFAULTS class dacbench.benchmarks.modea_benchmark.ModeaBenchmark(<i>config_path</i>=None, config=None) Bases: <i>dacbench.abstract_benchmark.AbstractBenchmark</i> Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Modea get_environment(<i>self</i>) Return ModeaEnv env with current configuration Returns Modea environment Return type <i>ModeaEnv</i> read_instance_set(<i>self</i>, test=False) Read path of instances from config into list</pre>	

dacbench.benchmarks.sgd_benchmark**Module Contents****Classes**

<code>SGDBenchmark</code>	Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for SGD
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Functions

`__default_loss_function(**kwargs)`

`dacbench.benchmarks.sgd_benchmark.DEFAULT_CFG_SPACE``dacbench.benchmarks.sgd_benchmark.LR``dacbench.benchmarks.sgd_benchmark.__default_loss_function(**kwargs)``dacbench.benchmarks.sgd_benchmark.INFO``dacbench.benchmarks.sgd_benchmark.SGD_DEFAULTS``dacbench.benchmarks.sgd_benchmark.reward_range``class dacbench.benchmarks.sgd_benchmark.SGDBenchmark(config_path=None, config=None)` Bases: `dacbench.abstract_benchmark.AbstractBenchmark`

Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for SGD

`get_environment(self)`

Return SGDEnv env with current configuration

Returns

SGD environment

Return type`SGDEnv` `read_instance_set(self, test=False)`

Read path of instances from config into list

`get_benchmark(self, instance_set_path=None, seed=0)`

Get benchmark from the LTO paper

Parameters `seed (int)` – Environment seed**Returns** `env` – SGD environment**Return type**`SGDEnv`

dacbench.benchmarks.sigmoid_benchmark**Module Contents****Classes**

<i>SigmoidBenchmark</i>	Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Sigmoid
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`dacbench.benchmarks.sigmoid_benchmark.ACTION_VALUES = [5, 10]`

`dacbench.benchmarks.sigmoid_benchmark.DEFAULT_CFG_SPACE`

`dacbench.benchmarks.sigmoid_benchmark.X`

`dacbench.benchmarks.sigmoid_benchmark.INFO`

`dacbench.benchmarks.sigmoid_benchmark.SIGMOID_DEFAULTS`

class `dacbench.benchmarks.sigmoid_benchmark.SigmoidBenchmark(config_path=None, config=None)`

Bases: `dacbench.abstract_benchmark.AbstractBenchmark`

Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Sigmoid

get_environment(self)

Return Sigmoid env with current configuration

Returns

Sigmoid environment

Return type

SigmoidEnv

set_action_values(self, values)

Adapt action values and update dependencies

Parameters

values (*list*) – A list of possible actions per dimension

read_instance_set(self, test=False)

Read instance set from file

get_benchmark(self, dimension=None, seed=0)

Get Benchmark from DAC paper

Parameters

- **dimension** (*int*) – Sigmoid dimension, was 1, 2, 3 or 5 in the paper
- **seed** (*int*) – Environment seed

Returns

env – Sigmoid environment

Return type

SigmoidEnv

dacbench.benchmarks.theory_benchmark**Module Contents****Classes**

TheoryBenchmark	Benchmark with various settings for (1+(lbd, lbd))-GA and RLS
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dacbench.benchmarks.theory_benchmark.INFO

dacbench.benchmarks.theory_benchmark.THEORY_DEFAULTS

class dacbench.benchmarks.theory_benchmark.TheoryBenchmark(*config=None*) Bases: *dacbench.abstract_benchmark.AbstractBenchmark*

Benchmark with various settings for (1+(lbd, lbd))-GA and RLS

create_observation_space_from_description(*self, obs_description, env_class=RLSEnvDiscrete*)

Create a gym observation space (Box only) based on a string containing observation variable names, e.g. “n, f(x), k, k_{t-1}” Return:

A gym.spaces.Box observation space

get_environment(*self, test_env=False*)

Return an environment with current configuration

Parameters: **test_env: whether the environment is used for train an agent or for testing.** **if test_env=False:**

cutoff time for an episode is set to 0.8*n^2 (n: problem size) if an action is out of range, stop the episode immediately and return a large negative reward (see envs/theory.py for more details)

otherwise: benchmark’s original cutoff time is used, and out-of-range action will be clipped to nearest valid value and the episode will continue.

read_instance_set(*self*)

Read instance set from file we look at the current directory first, if the file doesn’t exist, we look in <DACBench>/dacbench/instance_sets/theory/

dacbench.benchmarks.toysgd_benchmark**Module Contents****Classes**

ToySGDBenchmark	Abstract template for benchmark classes
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dacbench.benchmarks.toysgd_benchmark.DEFAULT_CFG_SPACE

dacbench.benchmarks.toysgd_benchmark.LR

```
dacbench.benchmarks.toysgd_benchmark.MOMENTUM
dacbench.benchmarks.toysgd_benchmark.INFO
dacbench.benchmarks.toysgd_benchmark.DEFAULTS

class dacbench.benchmarks.toysgd_benchmark.ToySGDBenchmark(config_path=None, config=None)
    Bases: dacbench.abstract_benchmark.AbstractBenchmark
    Abstract template for benchmark classes
    get_environment(self)
        Return SGDEnv env with current configuration
        Returns
            SGD environment
        Return type
            SGDEnv
    read_instance_set(self, test=False)
        Read path of instances from config into list
```

Package Contents

Classes

<i>LubyBenchmark</i>	Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Sigmoid
<i>SigmoidBenchmark</i>	Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Sigmoid
<i>ToySGDBenchmark</i>	Abstract template for benchmark classes
<i>GeometricBenchmark</i>	Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Geometric
<i>FastDownwardBenchmark</i>	Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Sigmoid

```
class dacbench.benchmarks.LubyBenchmark(config_path=None, config=None)
    Bases: dacbench.abstract_benchmark.AbstractBenchmark
    Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Sigmoid
    get_environment(self)
        Return Luby env with current configuration
        Returns
            Luby environment
        Return type
            LubyEnv
    set_cutoff(self, steps)
        Set cutoff and adapt dependencies
        Parameters
            int – Maximum number of steps
```

set_history_length(self, length)

Set history length and adapt dependencies

Parameters

int – History length

read_instance_set(self, test=False)

Read instance set from file

get_benchmark(self, L=8, fuzziness=1.5, seed=0)

Get Benchmark from DAC paper

Parameters

- **L (int)** – Minimum sequence lenght, was 8, 16 or 32 in the paper
- **fuzziness (float)** – Amount of noise applied. Was 1.5 for most of the experiments
- **seed (int)** – Environment seed

Returns

env – Luby environment

Return type

LubyEnv

class dacbench.benchmarks.SigmoidBenchmark(config_path=None, config=None)

Bases: *dacbench.abstract_benchmark.AbstractBenchmark*

Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Sigmoid

get_environment(self)

Return Sigmoid env with current configuration

Returns

Sigmoid environment

Return type

SigmoidEnv

set_action_values(self, values)

Adapt action values and update dependencies

Parameters

values (list) – A list of possible actions per dimension

read_instance_set(self, test=False)

Read instance set from file

get_benchmark(self, dimension=None, seed=0)

Get Benchmark from DAC paper

Parameters

- **dimension (int)** – Sigmoid dimension, was 1, 2, 3 or 5 in the paper
- **seed (int)** – Environment seed

Returns

env – Sigmoid environment

Return type

SigmoidEnv

```
class dacbench.benchmarks.ToySGDBenchmark(config_path=None, config=None)
Bases: dacbench.abstract_benchmark.AbstractBenchmark

Abstract template for benchmark classes

get_environment(self)

    Return SGDEnv env with current configuration

Returns
    SGD environment

Return type
    SGDEnv

read_instance_set(self, test=False)

    Read path of instances from config into list

class dacbench.benchmarks.GeometricBenchmark(config_path=None)
Bases: dacbench.abstract_benchmark.AbstractBenchmark

Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Geometric

get_environment(self)

    Return Geometric env with current configuration

Returns
    Geometric environment

Return type
    GeometricEnv

read_instance_set(self)

    Read instance set from file Creates a nested List for every Intance. The List contains all functions with their
    respective values.

get_benchmark(self, dimension=None, seed=0)

    [summary]

Parameters
    • dimension ([type], optional) – [description], by default None
    • seed (int, optional) – [description], by default 0

Returns
    [description]

Return type
    [type]

set_action_values(self)

    Adapt action values and update dependencies Number of actions can differ between functions if configured
    in DefaultDict Set observation space args.

set_action_description(self)

    Add Information about Derivative and Coordinate to Description.

create_correlation_table(self)

    Create correlation table from Config infos
```

```
class dacbench.benchmarks.FastDownwardBenchmark(config_path=None, config=None)
Bases: dacbench.abstract_benchmark.AbstractBenchmark

Benchmark with default configuration & relevant functions for Sigmoid

get_environment(self)
    Return Luby env with current configuration

Returns
    Luby environment

Return type
    LubyEnv

read_instance_set(self, test=False)
    Read paths of instances from config into list

set_heuristics(self, heuristics)

get_benchmark(self, seed=0)
    Get published benchmark

Parameters
    seed (int) – Environment seed

Returns
    env – FD environment

Return type
    FastDownwardEnv
```

dacbench.container**Submodules****dacbench.container.container_utils****Module Contents****Classes**

<i>Encoder</i>	Json Encoder to save tuple and or numpy arrays numpy floats / integer.
<i>Decoder</i>	Adapted from: https://github.com/automl/HPOBench/blob/master/hpobench/util/container_utils.py

Functions

<code>deserialize_random_state(random_state_dict: Dict) → numpy.random.RandomState</code>	
<code>serialize_random_state(random_state: numpy.random.RandomState) → Tuple[int, List, int, int, int]</code>	
<code>wait_for_unixsocket(path: str, timeout: float = 10.0) → None</code>	
<code>wait_for_port(port, host='localhost', timeout=5.0)</code>	
	Taken from https://gist.github.com/butla/2d9a4c0f35ea47b7452156c96a4e7b12

`class dacbench.container.container_utils.Encoder(*, skipkeys=False, ensure_ascii=True,
check_circular=True, allow_nan=True,
sort_keys=False, indent=None, separators=None,
default=None)`

Bases: `json.JSONEncoder`

Json Encoder to save tuple and or numpy arrays | numpy floats / integer. Adapted from: https://github.com/automl/HPOBench/blob/master/hpobench/util/container_utils.py Serializing tuple/numpy array may not work. We need to annotate those types, to reconstruct them correctly.

`static hint(item)`

`encode(self, obj)`

Return a JSON string representation of a Python data structure.

```
>>> from json.encoder import JSONEncoder  
>>> JSONEncoder().encode({"foo": ["bar", "baz"]})  
'{"foo": ["bar", "baz"]}'
```

`static encode_space(space_obj: gym.Space)`

`class dacbench.container.container_utils.Decoder(*args, **kwargs)`

Bases: `json.JSONDecoder`

Adapted from: https://github.com/automl/HPOBench/blob/master/hpobench/util/container_utils.py

`object_hook(self, obj: Any) → Union[Union[tuple, numpy.ndarray, float, float, int], Any]`

`decode_space(self, space_dict: Dict) → gym.Space`

`dacbench.container.container_utils.deserialize_random_state(random_state_dict: Dict) → numpy.random.RandomState`

`dacbench.container.container_utils.serialize_random_state(random_state:
numpy.random.RandomState) → Tuple[int, List, int, int, int]`

`dacbench.container.container_utils.wait_for_unixsocket(path: str, timeout: float = 10.0) → None`

Wait for a UNIX socket to be created.

Parameters

- **path** – path to the socket
- **timeout** – timeout in seconds

Returns

```
dacbench.container.container_utils.wait_for_port(port, host='localhost', timeout=5.0)
```

Taken from <https://gist.github.com/butla/2d9a4c0f35ea47b7452156c96a4e7b12> Wait until a port starts accepting TCP connections.

Parameters

- **port** (*int*) – Port number to check.
- **host** (*str*) – Host to check.
- **timeout** (*float*) – Timeout in seconds.
- **Raises** –
- -----
- **TimeoutError** (The port isn't accepting connection after time specified in *timeout*.) –

```
dacbench.container.remote_env
```

Module Contents**Classes**

RemoteEnvironmentServer

RemoteEnvironmentClient

Functions

json_encode(obj: Jsonable) → str

json_decode(json_str: str) → Jsonable

dacbench.container.remote_env.NumpyTypes

dacbench.container.remote_env.DefaultJsonable

dacbench.container.remote_env.Jsonable

dacbench.container.remote_env.json_encode(*obj*: Jsonable) → str

dacbench.container.remote_env.json_decode(json_str: str) → Jsonable

class dacbench.container.remote_env.RemoteEnvironmentServer(*env*)

step(*self*, *action*: Union[Dict[str, List[numbers.Number]], List[numbers.Number]])

reset(*self*)

```
    render(self, mode='human')

    close(self)

    property action_space(self)

class dacbench.container.remote_env.RemoteEnvironmentClient(env:
                                                               dacbench.container.remote_env.RemoteEnvironmentServ

        step(self, action: Union[Dict[str, numpy.ndarray], numpy.ndarray]) → Tuple[Union[Dict[str,
                                                               numpy.ndarray], numpy.ndarray], numbers.Number, bool, dict]

        reset(self) → Union[Dict[str, numpy.ndarray], numpy.ndarray]

        close(self)

        property action_space(self)

dacbench.container.remote_runner
```

This is strongly guided and partially copy from https://github.com/automl/HPOBench/blob/master/hpobench/container/client_abstract_benchmark.py

Module Contents

Classes

RemoteRunnerServer

RemoteRunner

RemoteRunnerServerFactory

```
dacbench.container.remote_runner.SERVERTYPE = multiplex
```

```
dacbench.container.remote_runner.log_level_str
```

```
dacbench.container.remote_runner.LOG_LEVEL
```

```
dacbench.container.remote_runner.LOG_LEVEL
```

```
dacbench.container.remote_runner.root
```

```
dacbench.container.remote_runner.logger
```

```
dacbench.container.remote_runner.excepthook
```

```
dacbench.container.remote_runner.MAXTRIES = 5
```

```
dacbench.container.remote_runner.SOCKET_PATH
```

```
class dacbench.container.remote_runner.RemoteRunnerServer(pyro_demon)
```

```

start(self, config: str, benchmark: Tuple[str, str])
get_environment(self) → str

class dacbench.container.remote_runner.RemoteRunner(benchmark:
    dacbench.abstract_benchmark.AbstractBenchmark,
    container_name: str = None, container_source:
    Optional[str] = None, container_tag: str =
    'latest', env_str: Optional[str] = "", bind_str:
    Optional[str] = "", gpu: Optional[bool] = False,
    socket_id=None)

FACTORY_NAME :str = RemoteRunnerServerFactory

property socket(self) → pathlib.Path

static id_generator() → str
    Helper function: Creates unique socket ids for the benchmark server

static socket_from_id(socket_id: str) → pathlib.Path

__start_server(self, env_str, bind_str, gpu)
    Starts container and the pyro server

Parameters
    • env_str (str) – Environment string for the container
    • bind_str (str) – Bind string for the container
    • gpu (bool) – True if the container should use gpu, False otherwise

__connect_to_server(self, benchmark: dacbench.abstract_benchmark.AbstractBenchmark)
    Connects to the server and initializes the benchmark

get_environment(self)

run(self, agent: dacbench.abstract_agent.AbstractDABCbenchAgent, number_of_episodes: int)

close(self)

__del__(self)

load_benchmark(self, benchmark: dacbench.abstract_benchmark.AbstractBenchmark, container_name: str,
container_source: Union[str, pathlib.Path], container_tag: str)

class dacbench.container.remote_runner.RemoteRunnerServerFactory(pyro_demon)

create(self)

__call__(self)

dacbench.container.remote_runner.parser

```

dacbench.envs

Subpackages

dacbench.envs.policies

Submodules

dacbench.envs.policies.csa_cma

Module Contents

Functions

`csa`(env, state)

dacbench.envs.policies.csa_cma.`csa`(*env, state*)

dacbench.envs.policies.optimal_fd

Module Contents

Functions

`get_optimum`(env, state)

dacbench.envs.policies.optimal_fd.`get_optimum`(*env, state*)

dacbench.envs.policies.optimal_luby

Module Contents

Functions

`luby_gen`(*i*)

Generator for the Luby Sequence

`get_optimum`(env, state)

dacbench.envs.policies.optimal_luby.`luby_gen`(*i*)

Generator for the Luby Sequence

dacbench.envs.policies.optimal_luby.`get_optimum`(*env, state*)

`dacbench.envs.policies.optimal_sigmoid`**Module Contents****Functions**

<code>sig(x, scaling, inflection)</code>	Simple sigmoid function
<code>get_optimum(env, state)</code>	

`dacbench.envs.policies.optimal_sigmoid.sig(x, scaling, inflection)`

Simple sigmoid function

`dacbench.envs.policies.optimal_sigmoid.get_optimum(env, state)``dacbench.envs.policies.sgd_ca`**Module Contents****Classes**

<code>CosineAnnealingAgent</code>	Abstract class to implement for use with the runner function
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`class dacbench.envs.policies.sgd_ca.CosineAnnealingAgent(env, base_lr=0.1, t_max=1000, eta_min=0)`Bases: `dacbench.abstract_agent.AbstractDABCbenchAgent`

Abstract class to implement for use with the runner function

`act(self, state, reward)`

Compute and return environment action

Parameters

- **state** – Environment state
- **reward** – Environment reward

Returns

Action to take

Return type

action

`train(self, state, reward)`

Train during episode if needed (pass if not)

Parameters

- **next_state** – Environment state after step
- **reward** – Environment reward

`end_episode(self, state, reward)`

End of episode training if needed (pass if not)

Parameters

- **state** – Environment state
- **reward** – Environment reward

Package Contents

Functions

`csa(env, state)`

`optimal_fd`

`optimal_luby`

`optimal_sigmoid(env, state)`

`dacbench.envs.policies.csa(env, state)`

`dacbench.envs.policies.optimal_fd(env, state)`

`dacbench.envs.policies.optimal_luby(env, state)`

`dacbench.envs.policies.optimal_sigmoid(env, state)`

`dacbench.envs.policies.OPTIMAL_POLICIES`

`dacbench.envs.policies.NON_OPTIMAL_POLICIES`

`dacbench.envs.policies.ALL_POLICIES`

Submodules

`dacbench.envs.cma_es`

CMA-ES environment adapted from CMAWorld in “Learning Step-size Adaptation in CMA-ES” by G.Shala and A. Biedenkapp and N.Awad and S. Adriaensen and M.Lindauer and F. Hutter. Original author: Gresa Shala

Module Contents

Classes

CMAESEnv	Environment to control the step size of CMA-ES
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Functions

[_norm\(x\)](#)

dacbench.envs.cma_es.[_norm\(x\)](#)

class dacbench.envs.cma_es.CMAESEnv(*config*)

Bases: *dacbench.AbstractEnv*

Environment to control the step size of CMA-ES

step(self, action)

Execute environment step

Parameters

action (*list*) – action to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, info

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

reset(self)

Reset environment

Returns

Environment state

Return type

np.array

close(self)

No additional cleanup necessary

Returns

Cleanup flag

Return type

bool

render(self, mode: str = 'human')

Render env in human mode

Parameters

mode (*str*) – Execution mode

get_default_reward(*self*, *_*)

Compute reward

Returns

Reward

Return type

float

get_default_state(*self*, *_*)

Gather state description

Returns

Environment state

Return type

dict

`dacbench.envs.cma_step_size`

Module Contents

Classes

`CMAStepSizeEnv`

Abstract template for environments

class `dacbench.envs.cma_step_size.CMAStepSizeEnv`(*config*)

Bases: `dacbench.AbstractEnv`

Abstract template for environments

reset(*self*)

Reset environment

Returns

Environment state

Return type

state

step(*self*, *action*)

Execute environment step

Parameters

action – Action to take

Returns

- *state* – Environment state
- *reward* – Environment reward
- **done** (*bool*) – Run finished flag
- **info** (*dict*) – Additional metainfo

close(self)

Override close in your subclass to perform any necessary cleanup.

Environments will automatically close() themselves when garbage collected or when the program exits.

get_default_reward(self, *_)**get_default_state(self, *_)****dacbench.envs.fast_downward**

Planning environment from “Learning Heuristic Selection with Dynamic Algorithm Configuration” by David Speck, André Biedenkapp, Frank Hutter, Robert Mattmüller und Marius Lindauer. Original environment authors: David Speck, André Biedenkapp

Module Contents**Classes**

<code>StateType</code>	Class to define numbers for state types
<code>FastDownwardEnv</code>	Environment to control Solver Heuristics of FastDownward

class dacbench.envs.fast_downward.StateType

Bases: `enum.Enum`

Class to define numbers for state types

RAW = 1

DIFF = 2

ABSDIFF = 3

NORMAL = 4

NORMDIFF = 5

NORMABSDIFF = 6

class dacbench.envs.fast_downward.FastDownwardEnv(config)

Bases: `dacbench.AbstractEnv`

Environment to control Solver Heuristics of FastDownward

property port(self)**property argstring(self)****static _save_div(a, b)**

Helper method for safe division

Parameters

- `a` (`list` or `np.array`) – values to be divided

- **b** (*list or np.array*) – values to divide by

Returns

Division result

Return type

np.array

send_msg(*self, msg: bytes*)

Send message and prepend the message size

Based on comment from SO see [1] [1] <https://stackoverflow.com/a/17668009>

Parameters

msg (bytes) – The message as byte

recv_msg(*self*)

Recieve a whole message. The message has to be prepended with its total size Based on comment from SO see [1]

Returns

The message as byte

Return type

bytes

recvall(*self, n: int*)

Given we know the size we want to recieve, we can recieve that amount of bytes. Based on comment from SO see [1]

Parameters

n (int) – Number of bytes to expect in the data

Returns

The message as byte

Return type

bytes

_process_data(*self*)

Split received json into state reward and done

Returns

state, reward, done

Return type

np.array, float, bool

step(*self, action: Union[int, List[int]]*)

Environment step

Parameters

action (Union[int, List[int]]) – Parameter(s) to apply

Returns

state, reward, done, info

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

reset(self)

Reset environment

Returns

State after reset

Return type

np.array

kill_connection(self)

Kill the connection

close(self)

Close Env

Returns

Closing confirmation

Return type

bool

render(self, mode: str = 'human') → None

Required by gym.Env but not implemented

Parameters**mode (str)** – Rendering mode**dacbench.envs.geometric**

Geometric environment. Original environment authors: Rasmus von Glahn

Module Contents**Classes****GeometricEnv**

Environment for tracing different curves that are orthogonal to each other

Functions**class dacbench.envs.geometric.GeometricEnv(config)**Bases: *dacbench.AbstractEnv*Environment for tracing different curves that are orthogonal to each other Use product approach: $f(t,x,y,z) = X(t,x) * Y(t,y) * Z(t,z)$ Normalize Function Value on a Scale between 0 and 1

- min and max value for normalization over all timesteps

get_optimal_policy(self, instance: List = None, vector_action: bool = True) → List[numpy.array]

Calculates the optimal policy for an instance

Parameters

- **instance (List, optional)** – instance with information about function config.

- **vector_action** (*bool, optional*) – if True return multidim actions else return onedimensional action, by default True

Returns

List with entry for each timestep that holds all optimal values in an array or as int

Return type

List[np.array]

step(*self, action: int*)

Execute environment step

Parameters

action (*int*) – action to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, info

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

reset(*self*) → List[int]

Resets env

Returns

Environment state

Return type

numpy.array

get_default_reward(*self, _*) → float

Calculate euclidean distance between action vector and real position of Curve.

Parameters

_ (*self*) – ignore

Returns

Euclidean distance

Return type

float

get_default_state(*self, _*) → numpy.array

Gather state information.

Parameters

_ – ignore param

Returns

numpy array with state information

Return type

np.array

close(*self*) → bool

Close Env

Returns

Closing confirmation

Return type

bool

render(*self*, *dimensions*: *List*, *absolute_path*: *str*)

Multiplot for specific dimensions of benchmark with policy actions.

Parameters

dimensions (*List*) – List of dimensions that get plotted

render_3d_dimensions(*self*, *dimensions*: *List*, *absolute_path*: *str*)

Plot 2 Dimensions in 3D space

Parameters

dimensions (*List*) – List of dimensions that get plotted. Max 2

_pre_reward(*self*) → *Tuple*[*numpy.ndarray*, *List*]

Prepare actions and coordinates for reward calculation.

Returns

[description]

Return type

Tuple[*np.ndarray*, *List*]

class dacbench.envs.geometric.**Functions**(*n_steps*: *int*, *n_actions*: *int*, *n_instances*: *int*, *correlation*: *bool*, *correlation_table*: *numpy.ndarray*, *correlation_depth*: *int*, *derivative_interval*: *int*)

set_instance(*self*, *instance*: *List*, *instance_index*)

update instance

get_coordinates(*self*, *instance*: *List* = *None*) → *List*[*numpy.array*]

Calculates coordinates for instance over all time_steps. The values will change if correlation is applied and not optimal actions are taken.

Parameters

instance (*List*, *optional*) – Instance that holds information about functions, by default None

Returns

Index of List refers to time step

Return type

List[*np.array*]

get_coordinates_at_time_step(*self*, *time_step*: *int*) → *numpy.array*

Calculate coordinates at time_step. Apply correlation.

Parameters

- **instance** (*List*) – Instance that holds information about functions
- **time_step** (*int*) – Time step of functions

Returns

array of function values at timestep

Return type

np.array

calculate_derivative(*self*, *trajectory*: *List*, *c_step*: *int*) → *numpy.array*

Calculate derivatives of each dimension, based on trajectories.

Parameters

- **trajectory** (*List*) – List of actions or coordinates already taken

- **c_step** (*int*) – current timestep

Returns

derivatives for each dimension

Return type

np.array

calculate_norm_values(*self*, *instance_set*: *Dict*)

Norm Functions to Intervall between -1 and 1

_calculate_function_value(*self*, *time_step*: *int*, *function_infos*: *List*, *func_idx*: *int*) → *float*

Call different functions with their speicific parameters and norm them.

Parameters

- **function_infos** (*List*) – Consists of function name and the coefficients
- **time_step** (*int*) – time step for each function
- **calculate_norm** (*bool*, *optional*) – True if norm gets calculated, by default False

Returns

coordinate in dimension of function

Return type

float

_add_correlation(*self*, *value_array*: *numpy.ndarray*, *time_step*: *int*)

Adds correlation between dimensions but clips at -1 and 1. Correlation table holds numbers between -1 and 1. e.g. correlation_table[0][2] = 0.5 if dimension 1 changes dimension 3 changes about 50% of dimension one

Parameters

correlation_table (*np.array*) – table that holds all values of correlation between dimensions [n,n]

_apply_correlation_update(*self*, *idx*: *int*, *diff*: *float*, *depth*)

Recursive function for correlation updates Call function recursively till depth is 0 or diff is too small.

_sigmoid(*self*, *t*: *float*, *scaling*: *float*, *inflection*: *float*)

Simple sigmoid function

_linear(*self*, *t*: *float*, *a*: *float*, *b*: *float*)

Linear function

_parabel(*self*, *t*: *float*, *sig*: *int*, *x_int*: *int*, *y_int*: *int*)

Parabel function

_cubic(*self*, *t*: *float*, *sig*: *int*, *x_int*: *int*, *y_int*: *int*)

cubic function

_logarithmic(*self*, *t*: *float*, *a*: *float*)

Logarithmic function

_constant(*self*, *c*: *float*)

Constant function

_sinus(*self*, *t*: *float*, *scale*: *float*)

Sinus function

dacbench.envs.luby

Luby environment from “Dynamic Algorithm Configuration:Foundation of a New Meta-Algorithmic Framework” by A. Biedenkapp and H. F. Bozkurt and T. Eimer and F. Hutter and M. Lindauer. Original environment authors: André Biedenkapp, H. Furkan Bozkurt

Module Contents**Classes**

<i>LubyEnv</i>	Environment to learn Luby Sequence
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Functions

<i>luby_gen</i>(i)	Generator for the Luby Sequence
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class dacbench.envs.luby.**LubyEnv**(*config*)

Bases: *dacbench.AbstractEnv*

Environment to learn Luby Sequence

step(*self, action: int*)

Execute environment step

Parameters

action (*int*) – action to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, info

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

reset(*self*) → List[int]

Resets env

Returns

Environment state

Return type

numpy.array

get_default_reward(*self, _*)

get_default_state(*self, _*)

close(*self*) → bool

Close Env

Returns

Closing confirmation

Return type

bool

render(*self*, *mode*: str = 'human') → None

Render env in human mode

Parameters

mode (*str*) – Execution mode

`dacbench.envs.luby.luby_gen(i)`

Generator for the Luby Sequence

`dacbench.envs.modcma`

Module Contents

Classes

<code>ModCMAEnv</code>	Abstract template for environments
class <code>dacbench.envs.modcma.ModCMAEnv(config)</code>	
Bases: <code>dacbench.AbstractEnv</code>	
Abstract template for environments	
reset (<i>self</i>)	
Reset environment	
Returns	
Environment state	
Return type	
state	
step (<i>self</i> , <i>action</i>)	
Execute environment step	
Parameters	
action – Action to take	
Returns	
• <i>state</i> – Environment state	
• <i>reward</i> – Environment reward	
• done (<i>bool</i>) – Run finished flag	
• info (<i>dict</i>) – Additional metainfo	
close (<i>self</i>)	
Override close in your subclass to perform any necessary cleanup.	
Environments will automatically close() themselves when garbage collected or when the program exits.	
get_default_reward (<i>self</i> , *_)	
get_default_state (<i>self</i> , *_)	

dacbench.envs.modea**Module Contents****Classes**

<code>ModeaEnv</code>	Abstract template for environments
<code>class dacbench.envs.modea.ModeaEnv(config)</code>	
Bases: <code>dacbench.AbstractEnv</code>	
Abstract template for environments	
<code>reset(self)</code>	Reset environment
	Returns
	Environment state
<code>Return type</code>	
	state
<code>step(self, action)</code>	Execute environment step
	Parameters
	<code>action</code> – Action to take
	Returns
	• <code>state</code> – Environment state
	• <code>reward</code> – Environment reward
	• <code>done (bool)</code> – Run finished flag
	• <code>info (dict)</code> – Additional metainfo
<code>update_parameters(self)</code>	
<code>restart(self)</code>	
<code>determineRegime(self)</code>	
<code>get_default_state(self, _)</code>	
<code>get_default_reward(self, _)</code>	
<code>close(self)</code>	Override close in your subclass to perform any necessary cleanup.
	Environments will automatically close() themselves when garbage collected or when the program exits.
<code>switchConfiguration(self, opts)</code>	
<code>setConfigurationParameters(self, functions, parameters)</code>	

ensureFullLengthRepresentation(*self, representation*)

Given a (partial) representation, ensure that it is padded to become a full length customizedES representation, consisting of the required number of structure, population and parameter values.

```
>>> ensureFullLengthRepresentation([]) [0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0, None, None]
```

:param representation: List representation of a customizedES instance to check and pad if needed :return: Guaranteed full-length version of the representation

dacbench.envs.sgd**Module Contents****Classes**

<i>Reward</i>	Enum where members are also (and must be) ints
<i>SGDEnv</i>	Environment to control the learning rate of adam

Functions***reward_range*(frange)****dacbench.envs.sgd.*reward_range*(frange)****class dacbench.envs.sgd.Reward**

Bases: `enum.IntEnum`

Enum where members are also (and must be) ints

TrainingLoss**ValidationLoss****LogTrainingLoss****LogValidationLoss****DiffTraining****DiffValidation****LogDiffTraining****LogDiffValidation****FullTraining*****__call__*(*self, f*)****class dacbench.envs.sgd.SGDEnv(*config*)**

Bases: `dacbench.AbstractEnv`

Environment to control the learning rate of adam

val_model

Samuel Mueller (PhD student in our group) also uses backpack and has ran into a similar memory leak. He solved it calling this custom made RECURSIVE memory_cleanup function: # from backpack import memory_cleanup # def recursive_backpack_memory_cleanup(module: torch.nn.Module): # memory_cleanup(module) # for m in module.modules(): # memory_cleanup(m) (calling this after computing the training loss/gradients and after validation loss should suffice)

Type

TODO

get_reward(self)**get_training_reward(self)****get_validation_reward(self)****get_log_training_reward(self)****get_log_validation_reward(self)****get_log_diff_training_reward(self)****get_log_diff_validation_reward(self)****get_diff_training_reward(self)****get_diff_validation_reward(self)****get_full_training_reward(self)****get_full_training_loss(self)****property crash(self)****seed(self, seed=None, seed_action_space=False)**

Set rng seed

Parameters

- **seed** – seed for rng
- **seed_action_space (bool, default False)** – if to seed the action space as well

step(self, action)

Execute environment step

Parameters**action (list)** – action to execute**Returns**

state, reward, done, info

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

_architecture_constructor(self, arch_str)**reset(self)**

Reset environment

Returns

Environment state

Return type
np.array

set_writer(*self*, *writer*)

close(*self*)

No additional cleanup necessary

Returns
Cleanup flag

Return type
bool

render(*self*, *mode*: str = 'human')

Render env in human mode

Parameters
mode (str) – Execution mode

get_default_state(*self*, *_*)

Gather state description

Returns
Environment state

Return type
dict

_train_batch_(*self*)

train_network(*self*)

_get_full_training_loss(*self*, *loader*)

property current_validation_loss(*self*)

_get_validation_loss_(*self*)

_get_validation_loss(*self*)

_get_gradients(*self*)

_get_momentum(*self*, *gradients*)

get_adam_direction(*self*)

get_rmsprop_direction(*self*)

get_momentum_direction(*self*)

_get_loss_features(*self*)

_get_predictive_change_features(*self*, *lr*)

_get_alignment(*self*)

generate_instance_file(*self*, *file_name*, *mode='test'*, *n=100*)

dacbench.envs.sigmoid

Sigmoid environment from “Dynamic Algorithm Configuration:Foundation of a New Meta-Algorithmic Framework” by A. Biedenkapp and H. F. Bozkurt and T. Eimer and F. Hutter and M. Lindauer. Original environment authors: André Biedenkapp, H. Furkan Bozkurt

Module Contents**Classes**

<i>SigmoidEnv</i>	Environment for tracing sigmoid curves
<i>ContinuousStateSigmoidEnv</i>	Environment for tracing sigmoid curves with a continuous state on the x-axis
<i>ContinuousSigmoidEnv</i>	Environment for tracing sigmoid curves with a continuous state on the x-axis

class dacbench.envs.sigmoid.SigmoidEnv(config)

Bases: *dacbench.AbstractEnv*

Environment for tracing sigmoid curves

_sig(self, x, scaling, inflection)

Simple sigmoid function

step(self, action: int)

Execute environment step

Parameters

action (int) – action to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, info

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

reset(self) → List[int]

Resets env

Returns

Environment state

Return type

numpy.array

get_default_reward(self, _)

get_default_state(self, _)

close(self) → bool

Close Env

Returns

Closing confirmation

Return type

bool

render(*self, mode: str*) → None

Render env in human mode

Parameters

mode (str) – Execution mode

class dacbench.envs.sigmoid.ContinuousStateSigmoidEnv(*config*)

Bases: *dacbench.envs.sigmoid.SigmoidEnv*

Environment for tracing sigmoid curves with a continuous state on the x-axis

step(*self, action: int*)

Execute environment step

Parameters

action (int) – action to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, info

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

class dacbench.envs.sigmoid.ContinuousSigmoidEnv(*config*)

Bases: *dacbench.envs.sigmoid.SigmoidEnv*

Environment for tracing sigmoid curves with a continuous state on the x-axis

step(*self, action: numpy.ndarray*)

Execute environment step. !!NOTE!! The action here is a list of floats and not a single number !!NOTE!!

Parameters

action (list of floats) – action(s) to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, info

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

dacbench.envs.sigmoid.config

dacbench.envs.theory

Module Contents

Classes

<i>BinaryProblem</i>	An abstract class for an individual in binary representation
<i>LeadingOne</i>	An individual for LeadingOne problem
<i>RLSEnv</i>	Environment for RLS with step size
<i>RLSEnvDiscrete</i>	RLS environment where the choices of r is discretised

class dacbench.envs.theory.BinaryProblem(*n, rng=np.random.default_rng()*)

An abstract class for an individual in binary representation

initialise_with_fixed_number_of_bits(*self*, *k*, *rng*=*np.random.default_rng()*)

is_optimal(*self*)

get_optimal(*self*)

eval(*self*)

abstract get_fitness_after_flipping(*self*, *locs*)

Calculate the change in fitness after flipping the bits at positions *locs*

Parameters

locs (*1d-array*) – positions where bits are flipped

objective after flipping

abstract get_fitness_after_crossover(*self*, *xprime*, *locs_x*, *locs_xprime*)

Calculate fitness of the child after being crossovered with *xprime*

Parameters

- **xprime** (*1d boolean array*) – the individual to crossover with
- **locs_x** (*1d boolean/integer array*) – positions where we keep current bits of *self*
- **locs_xprime** (: *1d boolean/integer array*) – positions where we change to *xprime*'s bits

flip(*self*, *locs*)

flip the bits at position indicated by *locs*

Parameters

locs (*1d-array*) – positions where bits are flipped

Returns: the new individual after the flip

combine(*self*, *xprime*, *locs_xprime*)

combine (crossover) *self* and *xprime* by taking *xprime*'s bits at *locs_xprime* and *self*'s bits at other positions

Parameters

- **xprime** (*1d boolean array*) – the individual to crossover with
- **locs_x** (*1d boolean/integer array*) – positions where we keep current bits of *self*
- **locs_xprime** (: *1d boolean/integer array*) – positions where we change to *xprime*'s bits

Returns: the new individual after the crossover

mutate(*self*, *p*, *n_childs*, *rng*=*np.random.default_rng()*)

Draw $l \sim \text{binomial}(n, p)$, $l > 0$ Generate *n_childs* children by flipping exactly *l* bits Return: the best child (maximum fitness), its fitness and number of evaluations used

mutate_rls(*self*, *l*, *rng*=*np.random.default_rng()*)

generate a child by flipping exactly *l* bits Return: child, its fitness

crossover(*self*, *xprime*, *p*, *n_childs*, *include_xprime=True*, *count_different_inds_only=True*, *rng*=*np.random.default_rng()*)

Crossover operator:

for each bit, taking value from *x* with probability *p* and from *self* with probability $1-p$

Arguments:

x: the individual to crossover with p (float): in [0,1]

class dacbench.envs.theory.LeadingOne(*n*, *rng*=*np.random.default_rng()*, *initObj*=*None*)

Bases: *dacbench.envs.theory.BinaryProblem*

An individual for LeadingOne problem The aim is to maximise the number of leading (and consecutive) 1 bits in the string

eval(*self*)

is_optimal(*self*)

get_optimal(*self*)

get_fitness_after_flipping(*self*, *locs*)

Calculate the change in fitness after flipping the bits at positions locs

Parameters

locs (*1d-array*) – positions where bits are flipped

objective after flipping

get_fitness_after_crossover(*self*, *xprime*, *locs_x*, *locs_xprime*)

Calculate fitness of the child after being crossovered with xprime

Parameters

- **xprime** (*1d boolean array*) – the individual to crossover with
- **locs_x** (*1d boolean/integer array*) – positions where we keep current bits of self
- **locs_xprime** (*: 1d boolean/integer array*) – positions where we change to xprime's bits

dacbench.envs.theory.MAX_INT = **100000000.0**

dacbench.envs.theory.HISTORY_LENGTH = 5

class dacbench.envs.theory.RLSEnv(*config*, *test_env=False*)

Bases: *dacbench.AbstractEnv*

Environment for RLS with step size Current assumption: we only consider (1+1)-RLS, so there's only one parameter to tune (r)

get_obs_domain_from_name(*var_name*)

Get default lower and upperbound of a observation variable based on its name. The observation space will then be created Return:

Two int values, e.g., 1, np.inf

reset(*self*)

Resets env

Returns

Environment state

Return type

numpy.array

get_state(*self*)

step(*self, action*)

Execute environment step

Parameters

action (*Box*) – action to execute

Returns

- *state, reward, done, info*
- *np.array, float, bool, dict*

close(*self*) → bool

Close Env

No additional cleanup necessary

Returns

Closing confirmation

Return type

bool

class dacbench.envs.theory.RLSEnvDiscrete(*config, test_env=False*)

Bases: *dacbench.envs.theory.RLSEnv*

RLS environment where the choices of r is discretised

step(*self, action*)

Execute environment step

Parameters

action (*Box*) – action to execute

Returns

- *state, reward, done, info*
- *np.array, float, bool, dict*

dacbench.envs.toysgd**Module Contents****Classes***ToySGDEnv*

Optimize toy functions with SGD + Momentum.

Functions

```
create_polynomial_instance_set(out_fname: str,  
n_samples: int = 100, order: int = 2, low: float = -10,  
high: float = 10)
```

```
sample_coefficients(order: int = 2, low: float = -10,  
high: float = 10)
```

```
dacbench.envs.toysgd.create_polynomial_instance_set(out_fname: str, n_samples: int = 100, order: int  
= 2, low: float = -10, high: float = 10)
```

```
dacbench.envs.toysgd.sample_coefficients(order: int = 2, low: float = -10, high: float = 10)
```

```
class dacbench.envs.toysgd.ToySGDEnv(config)
```

Bases: `dacbench.AbstractEnv`

Optimize toy functions with SGD + Momentum.

Action: [log_learning_rate, log_momentum] (log base 10) State: Dict with entries remaining_budget, gradient, learning_rate, momentum Reward: negative log regret of current and true function value

An instance can look as follows: ID 0 family polynomial order 2 low -2 high 2 coefficients [1.40501053 - 0.59899755 1.43337392]

```
build_objective_function(self)
```

```
get_initial_position(self)
```

```
step(self, action: Union[float, Tuple[float, float]]) → Tuple[Dict[str, float], float, bool, Dict]
```

Take one step with SGD

Parameters

`action` (`Tuple[float, Tuple[float, float]]`) – If scalar, action = (log_learning_rate) If tuple, action = (log_learning_rate, log_momentum)

Returns

- `state`

[`Dict[str, float]`] State with entries “remaining_budget”, “gradient”, “learning_rate”, “momentum”

- `reward` : float

- `done` : bool

- `info` : Dict

Return type

`Tuple[Dict[str, float], float, bool, Dict]`

```
reset(self)
```

Reset environment

Returns

Environment state

Return type

`np.array`

render(self, **kwargs)

Renders the environment.

The set of supported modes varies per environment. (And some environments do not support rendering at all.) By convention, if mode is:

- `human`: render to the current display or terminal and return nothing. Usually for human consumption.
- `rgb_array`: Return an `numpy.ndarray` with shape `(x, y, 3)`, representing RGB values for an x-by-y pixel image, suitable for turning into a video.
- `ansi`: Return a string (`str`) or `StringIO.StringIO` containing a terminal-style text representation. The text can include newlines and ANSI escape sequences (e.g. for colors).

Note:**Make sure that your class's metadata 'render.modes' key includes**

the list of supported modes. It's recommended to call `super()` in implementations to use the functionality of this method.

Args:

`mode (str)`: the mode to render with

Example:

```
class MyEnv(Env):
    metadata = {'render.modes': ['human', 'rgb_array']}
    def render(self, mode='human'):
        if mode == 'rgb_array':
            return np.array(...) # return RGB frame suitable for video
        elif mode == 'human':
            ... # pop up a window and render
        else:
            super(MyEnv, self).render(mode=mode) # just raise an exception
    close(self)
```

Override `close` in your subclass to perform any necessary cleanup.

Environments will automatically `close()` themselves when garbage collected or when the program exits.

Package Contents

Classes

<code>LubyEnv</code>	Environment to learn Luby Sequence
<code>SigmoidEnv</code>	Environment for tracing sigmoid curves
<code>FastDownwardEnv</code>	Environment to control Solver Heuristics of FastDownward
<code>ToySGDEnv</code>	Optimize toy functions with SGD + Momentum.
<code>GeometricEnv</code>	Environment for tracing different curves that are orthogonal to each other

Functions

<code>luby_gen(i)</code>	Generator for the Luby Sequence
class dacbench.envs. LubyEnv (config)	
Bases: <i>dacbench.AbstractEnv</i>	
Environment to learn Luby Sequence	
step(self, action: int)	Execute environment step
Parameters	
action (int) – action to execute	
Returns	
state, reward, done, info	
Return type	
np.array, float, bool, dict	
reset(self) → List[int]	Resets env
Returns	
Environment state	
Return type	
numpy.array	
get_default_reward(self, _)	
get_default_state(self, _)	
close(self) → bool	Close Env
Returns	
Closing confirmation	
Return type	
bool	
render(self, mode: str = 'human') → None	Render env in human mode
Parameters	
mode (str) – Execution mode	
dacbench.envs.luby_gen(i)	Generator for the Luby Sequence
class dacbench.envs. SigmoidEnv (config)	
Bases: <i>dacbench.AbstractEnv</i>	
Environment for tracing sigmoid curves	
_sig(self, x, scaling, inflection)	Simple sigmoid function

step(*self, action: int*)
Execute environment step

Parameters
action (*int*) – action to execute

Returns
state, reward, done, info

Return type
np.array, float, bool, dict

reset(*self*) → List[int]
Resets env

Returns
Environment state

Return type
numpy.array

get_default_reward(*self, _*)

get_default_state(*self, _*)

close(*self*) → bool
Close Env

Returns
Closing confirmation

Return type
bool

render(*self, mode: str*) → None
Render env in human mode

Parameters
mode (*str*) – Execution mode

class dacbench.envs.FastDownwardEnv(*config*)
Bases: *dacbench.AbstractEnv*

Environment to control Solver Heuristics of FastDownward

property port(*self*)

property argstring(*self*)

static _save_div(*a, b*)
Helper method for safe division

Parameters

- **a** (*list or np.array*) – values to be divided
- **b** (*list or np.array*) – values to divide by

Returns
Division result

Return type
np.array

send_msg(*self*, *msg*: bytes)

Send message and prepend the message size

Based on comment from SO see [1] [1] <https://stackoverflow.com/a/17668009>

Parameters

msg (bytes) – The message as byte

recv_msg(*self*)

Recieve a whole message. The message has to be prepended with its total size Based on comment from SO see [1]

Returns

The message as byte

Return type

bytes

recvall(*self*, *n*: int)

Given we know the size we want to recieve, we can recieve that amount of bytes. Based on comment from SO see [1]

Parameters

n (int) – Number of bytes to expect in the data

Returns

The message as byte

Return type

bytes

_process_data(*self*)

Split received json into state reward and done

Returns

state, reward, done

Return type

np.array, float, bool

step(*self*, *action*: Union[int, List[int]])

Environment step

Parameters

action (Union[int, List[int]]) – Parameter(s) to apply

Returns

state, reward, done, info

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

reset(*self*)

Reset environment

Returns

State after reset

Return type

np.array

kill_connection(self)
Kill the connection

close(self)
Close Env

Returns
Closing confirmation

Return type
bool

render(self, mode: str = 'human') → None
Required by gym.Env but not implemented

Parameters
mode (str) – Rendering mode

class dacbench.envs.ToySGDEnv(config)
Bases: [dacbench.AbstractEnv](#)

Optimize toy functions with SGD + Momentum.

Action: [log_learning_rate, log_momentum] (log base 10) State: Dict with entries remaining_budget, gradient, learning_rate, momentum Reward: negative log regret of current and true function value

An instance can look as follows: ID 0 family polynomial order 2 low -2 high 2 coefficients [1.40501053 -0.59899755 1.43337392]

build_objective_function(self)

get_initial_position(self)

step(self, action: Union[float, Tuple[float, float]]) → Tuple[Dict[str, float], float, bool, Dict]
Take one step with SGD

Parameters
action (Tuple[float, Tuple[float, float]]) – If scalar, action = (log_learning_rate, log_momentum)
If tuple, action = (log_learning_rate, log_momentum)

Returns

- **state**
[Dict[str, float]] State with entries “remaining_budget”, “gradient”, “learning_rate”, “momentum”
- reward : float
- done : bool
- info : Dict

Return type
Tuple[Dict[str, float], float, bool, Dict]

reset(self)
Reset environment

Returns
Environment state

Return type
np.array

render(self, **kwargs)

Renders the environment.

The set of supported modes varies per environment. (And some environments do not support rendering at all.) By convention, if mode is:

- human: render to the current display or terminal and return nothing. Usually for human consumption.
- rgb_array: Return an numpy.ndarray with shape (x, y, 3), representing RGB values for an x-by-y pixel image, suitable for turning into a video.
- ansi: Return a string (str) or StringIO.StringIO containing a terminal-style text representation. The text can include newlines and ANSI escape sequences (e.g. for colors).

Note:

Make sure that your class's metadata 'render.modes' key includes

the list of supported modes. It's recommended to call super() in implementations to use the functionality of this method.

Args:

mode (str): the mode to render with

Example:

class MyEnv(Env):

 metadata = {‘render.modes’: [‘human’, ‘rgb_array’]}

def render(self, mode=’human’):

if mode == ‘rgb_array’:

 return np.array(...) # return RGB frame suitable for video

elif mode == ‘human’:

 ... # pop up a window and render

else:

 super(MyEnv, self).render(mode=mode) # just raise an exception

close(self)

Override close in your subclass to perform any necessary cleanup.

Environments will automatically close() themselves when garbage collected or when the program exits.

class dacbench.envs.GeometricEnv(config)

Bases: *dacbench.AbstractEnv*

Environment for tracing different curves that are orthogonal to each other Use product approach: $f(t,x,y,z) = X(t,x) * Y(t,y) * Z(t,z)$ Normalize Function Value on a Scale between 0 and 1

- min and max value for normalization over all timesteps

get_optimal_policy(self, instance: List = None, vector_action: bool = True) → List[numpy.array]

Calculates the optimal policy for an instance

Parameters

- **instance** (*List*, *optional*) – instance with information about function config.
- **vector_action** (*bool*, *optional*) – if True return multidim actions else return onedimensional action, by default True

Returns

List with entry for each timestep that holds all optimal values in an array or as int

Return type
List[np.array]

step(self, action: int)
Execute environment step

Parameters
action (int) – action to execute

Returns
state, reward, done, info

Return type
np.array, float, bool, dict

reset(self) → List[int]
Resets env

Returns
Environment state

Return type
numpy.array

get_default_reward(self, _) → float
Calculate euclidean distance between action vector and real position of Curve.

Parameters
_ (self) – ignore

Returns
Euclidean distance

Return type
float

get_default_state(self, _) → numpy.array
Gather state information.

Parameters
_ – ignore param

Returns
numpy array with state information

Return type
np.array

close(self) → bool
Close Env

Returns
Closing confirmation

Return type
bool

render(self, dimensions: List, absolute_path: str)
Multiplot for specific dimensions of benchmark with policy actions.

Parameters
dimensions (List) – List of dimensions that get plotted

step(*self, action*)
Execute environment step and record state

Parameters**action** (*int*) – action to execute**Returns**

state, reward, done, metainfo

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

get_actions(*self*)
Get state progression

Returns

all states or all states and interval sorted states

Return type

np.array or np.array, np.array

render_action_tracking(*self*)
Render action progression

Returns

RBG data of action tracking

Return type

np.array

`dacbench.wrappers.episode_time_tracker`

Module Contents**Classes**

<code>EpisodeTimeWrapper</code>	Wrapper to track time spent per episode.
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`dacbench.wrappers.episode_time_tracker.current_palette`

class `dacbench.wrappers.episode_time_tracker.EpisodeTimeWrapper`(*env, time_interval=None, logger=None*)

Bases: `gym.Wrapper`

Wrapper to track time spent per episode. Includes interval mode that returns times in lists of len(interval) instead of one long list.

__setattr__(*self, name, value*)

Set attribute in wrapper if available and in env if not

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – Attribute to set
- **value** – Value to set attribute to

`__getattribute__(self, name)`

Get attribute value of wrapper if available and of env if not

Parameters

`name (str)` – Attribute to get

Returns

Value of given name

Return type

value

`step(self, action)`

Execute environment step and record time

Parameters

`action (int)` – action to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, metainfo

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

`get_times(self)`

Get times

Returns

all times or all times and interval sorted times

Return type

np.array or np.array, np.array

`render_step_time(self)`

Render step times

`render_episode_time(self)`

Render episode times

dacbench.wrappers.instance_sampling_wrapper**Module Contents****Classes**

`InstanceSamplingWrapper`

Wrapper to sample a new instance at a given time point.

`class dacbench.wrappers.instance_sampling_wrapper.InstanceSamplingWrapper(env, sampling_function=None, instances=None, reset_interval=0)`

Bases: `gym.Wrapper`

Wrapper to sample a new instance at a given time point. Instances can either be sampled using a given method or a distribution inferred from a given list of instances.

`__setattr__(self, name, value)`

Set attribute in wrapper if available and in env if not

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – Attribute to set
- **value** – Value to set attribute to

`__getattribute__(self, name)`

Get attribute value of wrapper if available and of env if not

Parameters

name (*str*) – Attribute to get

Returns

Value of given name

Return type

value

`reset(self)`

Reset environment and use sampled instance for training

Returns

state

Return type

np.array

`fit_dist(self, instances)`

Approximate instance distribution in given instance set

Parameters

instances (*List*) – instance set

Returns

sampling method for new instances

Return type

method

dacbench.wrappers.observation_wrapper**Module Contents****Classes****`ObservationWrapper`**

Wrapper covert observations spaces to spaces.Box for convenience

`class dacbench.wrappers.observation_wrapper.ObservationWrapper(env)`

Bases: `gym.Wrapper`

Wrapper covert observations spaces to spaces.Box for convenience Currently only supports Dict -> Box

`__setattr__(self, name, value)`
Set attribute in wrapper if available and in env if not

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – Attribute to set
- **value** – Value to set attribute to

`__getattribute__(self, name)`
Get attribute value of wrapper if available and of env if not

Parameters

name (*str*) – Attribute to get

Returns

Value of given name

Return type

value

`step(self, action)`
Execute environment step and record distance

Parameters

action (*int*) – action to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, metainfo

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

`reset(self)`
Execute environment step and record distance

Returns

state

Return type

np.array

`flatten(self, state_dict)`

dacbench.wrappers.performance_tracking_wrapper

Module Contents

Classes

<i>PerformanceTrackingWrapper</i>	Wrapper to track episode performance.
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<code>dacbench.wrappers.performance_tracking_wrapper.current_palette</code>	
<code>class dacbench.wrappers.performance_tracking_wrapper.PerformanceTrackingWrapper(env, performance_interval=None, track_instance_performance=logger=None)</code>	

Bases: `gym.Wrapper`

Wrapper to track episode performance. Includes interval mode that returns performance in lists of len(interval) instead of one long list.

`__setattr__(self, name, value)`

Set attribute in wrapper if available and in env if not

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – Attribute to set
- **value** – Value to set attribute to

`__getattribute__(self, name)`

Get attribute value of wrapper if available and of env if not

Parameters

name (*str*) – Attribute to get

Returns

Value of given name

Return type

value

`step(self, action)`

Execute environment step and record performance

Parameters

action (*int*) – action to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, metainfo

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

`get_performance(self)`

Get state performance

Returns

all states or all states and interval sorted states

Return type

np.array or np.array, np.array or np.array, dict or np.array, np.array, dict

`render_performance(self)`

Plot performance

`render_instance_performance(self)`

Plot mean performance for each instance

[dacbench.wrappers.policy_progress_wrapper](#)**Module Contents****Classes**

<i>PolicyProgressWrapper</i>	Wrapper to track progress towards optimal policy.
class dacbench.wrappers.policy_progress_wrapper. <i>PolicyProgressWrapper</i> (<i>env, compute_optimal</i>)	
Bases: <code>gym.Wrapper</code>	
Wrapper to track progress towards optimal policy. Can only be used if a way to obtain the optimal policy given an instance can be obtained	
<u>__setattr__</u> (<i>self, name, value</i>)	
Set attribute in wrapper if available and in env if not	
Parameters	
• name (<i>str</i>) – Attribute to set	
• value – Value to set attribute to	
<u>__getattribute__</u> (<i>self, name</i>)	
Get attribute value of wrapper if available and of env if not	
Parameters	
name (<i>str</i>) – Attribute to get	
Returns	
Value of given name	
Return type	
value	
step (<i>self, action</i>)	
Execute environment step and record distance	
Parameters	
action (<i>int</i>) – action to execute	
Returns	
state, reward, done, metainfo	
Return type	
np.array, float, bool, dict	
render_policy_progress (<i>self</i>)	
Plot progress	

`dacbench.wrappers.reward_noise_wrapper`**Module Contents****Classes**

<code>RewardNoiseWrapper</code>	Wrapper to add noise to the reward signal.
class <code>dacbench.wrappers.reward_noise_wrapper.RewardNoiseWrapper</code> (<i>env</i> , <i>noise_function=None</i> , <i>noise_dist='standard_normal'</i> , <i>dist_args=None</i>)	
Bases: <code>gym.Wrapper</code>	
Wrapper to add noise to the reward signal. Noise can be sampled from a custom distribution or any distribution in numpy's random module	
__setattr__(self, name, value)	Set attribute in wrapper if available and in env if not
Parameters	
• name (<i>str</i>) – Attribute to set	
• value – Value to set attribute to	
__getattribute__(self, name)	Get attribute value of wrapper if available and of env if not
Parameters	
name (<i>str</i>) – Attribute to get	
Returns	
Value of given name	
Return type	
value	
step(self, action)	Execute environment step and add noise
Parameters	
action (<i>int</i>) – action to execute	
Returns	
state, reward, done, metainfo	
Return type	
np.array, float, bool, dict	
add_noise(self, dist, args)	Make noise function from distribution name and arguments
Parameters	
• dist (<i>str</i>) – Name of distribution	
• args (<i>list</i>) – List of distribution arguments	
Returns	
Noise sampling function	

Return type
function

dacbench.wrappers.state_tracking_wrapper

Module Contents

Classes

StateTrackingWrapper	Wrapper to track state changed over time
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dacbench.wrappers.state_tracking_wrapper.**current_palette**

class dacbench.wrappers.state_tracking_wrapper.StateTrackingWrapper(*env*, *state_interval=None*, *logger=None*)

Bases: `gym.Wrapper`

Wrapper to track state changed over time Includes interval mode that returns states in lists of len(interval) instead of one long list.

__setattr__(self, name, value)

Set attribute in wrapper if available and in env if not

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – Attribute to set
- **value** – Value to set attribute to

__getattribute__(self, name)

Get attribute value of wrapper if available and of env if not

Parameters

name (*str*) – Attribute to get

Returns

Value of given name

Return type

value

reset(self)

Reset environment and record starting state

Returns

state

Return type

np.array

step(self, action)

Execute environment step and record state

Parameters

action (*int*) – action to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, metainfo

Return type
np.array, float, bool, dict

get_states(*self*)
Get state progression

Returns
all states or all states and interval sorted states

Return type
np.array or np.array, np.array

render_state_tracking(*self*)
Render state progression

Returns
RBG data of state tracking

Return type
np.array

Package Contents

Classes

<i>ActionFrequencyWrapper</i>	Wrapper to action frequency.
<i>EpisodeTimeWrapper</i>	Wrapper to track time spent per episode.
<i>InstanceSamplingWrapper</i>	Wrapper to sample a new instance at a given time point.
<i>PolicyProgressWrapper</i>	Wrapper to track progress towards optimal policy.
<i>RewardNoiseWrapper</i>	Wrapper to add noise to the reward signal.
<i>StateTrackingWrapper</i>	Wrapper to track state changed over time
<i>PerformanceTrackingWrapper</i>	Wrapper to track episode performance.
<i>ObservationWrapper</i>	Wrapper covert observations spaces to spaces.Box for convenience

class dacbench.wrappers.*ActionFrequencyWrapper*(*env*, *action_interval=None*, *logger=None*)
Bases: gym.Wrapper

Wrapper to action frequency. Includes interval mode that returns frequencies in lists of len(interval) instead of one long list.

__setattr__(*self*, *name*, *value*)
Set attribute in wrapper if available and in env if not

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – Attribute to set
- **value** – Value to set attribute to

__getattribute__(*self*, *name*)
Get attribute value of wrapper if available and of env if not

Parameters

name (*str*) – Attribute to get

Returns
Value of given name

Return type
value

step(*self*, *action*)
Execute environment step and record state

Parameters
action (*int*) – action to execute

Returns
state, reward, done, metainfo

Return type
np.array, float, bool, dict

get_actions(*self*)
Get state progression

Returns
all states or all states and interval sorted states

Return type
np.array or np.array, np.array

render_action_tracking(*self*)
Render action progression

Returns
RBG data of action tracking

Return type
np.array

class dacbench.wrappers.EpisodeTimeWrapper(*env*, *time_interval=None*, *logger=None*)
Bases: gym.Wrapper

Wrapper to track time spent per episode. Includes interval mode that returns times in lists of len(interval) instead of one long list.

__setattr__(*self*, *name*, *value*)
Set attribute in wrapper if available and in env if not

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – Attribute to set
- **value** – Value to set attribute to

__getattribute__(*self*, *name*)
Get attribute value of wrapper if available and of env if not

Parameters
name (*str*) – Attribute to get

Returns
Value of given name

Return type
value

step(*self, action*)
Execute environment step and record time

Parameters
action (*int*) – action to execute

Returns
state, reward, done, metainfo

Return type
np.array, float, bool, dict

get_times(*self*)
Get times

Returns
all times or all times and interval sorted times

Return type
np.array or np.array, np.array

render_step_time(*self*)
Render step times

render_episode_time(*self*)
Render episode times

class dacbench.wrappers.InstanceSamplingWrapper(*env, sampling_function=None, instances=None, reset_interval=0*)

Bases: gym.Wrapper

Wrapper to sample a new instance at a given time point. Instances can either be sampled using a given method or a distribution inferred from a given list of instances.

__setattr__(*self, name, value*)
Set attribute in wrapper if available and in env if not

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – Attribute to set
- **value** – Value to set attribute to

__getattribute__(*self, name*)
Get attribute value of wrapper if available and of env if not

Parameters
name (*str*) – Attribute to get

Returns
Value of given name

Return type
value

reset(*self*)
Reset environment and use sampled instance for training

Returns
state

Return type
np.array

fit_dist(*self, instances*)

Approximate instance distribution in given instance set

Parameters

instances (*List*) – instance set

Returns

sampling method for new instances

Return type

method

class dacbench.wrappers.PolicyProgressWrapper(*env, compute_optimal*)

Bases: `gym.Wrapper`

Wrapper to track progress towards optimal policy. Can only be used if a way to obtain the optimal policy given an instance can be obtained

__setattr__(*self, name, value*)

Set attribute in wrapper if available and in env if not

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – Attribute to set
- **value** – Value to set attribute to

__getattribute__(*self, name*)

Get attribute value of wrapper if available and of env if not

Parameters

name (*str*) – Attribute to get

Returns

Value of given name

Return type

value

step(*self, action*)

Execute environment step and record distance

Parameters

action (*int*) – action to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, metainfo

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

render_policy_progress(*self*)

Plot progress

class dacbench.wrappers.RewardNoiseWrapper(*env, noise_function=None, noise_dist='standard_normal', dist_args=None*)

Bases: `gym.Wrapper`

Wrapper to add noise to the reward signal. Noise can be sampled from a custom distribution or any distribution in numpy's random module

`__setattr__(self, name, value)`

Set attribute in wrapper if available and in env if not

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – Attribute to set
- **value** – Value to set attribute to

`__getattribute__(self, name)`

Get attribute value of wrapper if available and of env if not

Parameters

name (*str*) – Attribute to get

Returns

Value of given name

Return type

value

`step(self, action)`

Execute environment step and add noise

Parameters

action (*int*) – action to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, metainfo

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

`add_noise(self, dist, args)`

Make noise function from distribution name and arguments

Parameters

- **dist** (*str*) – Name of distribution
- **args** (*list*) – List of distribution arguments

Returns

Noise sampling function

Return type

function

`class dacbench.wrappers.StateTrackingWrapper(env, state_interval=None, logger=None)`

Bases: `gym.Wrapper`

Wrapper to track state changed over time Includes interval mode that returns states in lists of len(interval) instead of one long list.

`__setattr__(self, name, value)`

Set attribute in wrapper if available and in env if not

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – Attribute to set
- **value** – Value to set attribute to

__getattribute__(self, name)

Get attribute value of wrapper if available and of env if not

Parameters

name (*str*) – Attribute to get

Returns

Value of given name

Return type

value

reset(self)

Reset environment and record starting state

Returns

state

Return type

np.array

step(self, action)

Execute environment step and record state

Parameters

action (*int*) – action to execute

Returns

state, reward, done, metainfo

Return type

np.array, float, bool, dict

get_states(self)

Get state progression

Returns

all states or all states and interval sorted states

Return type

np.array or np.array, np.array

render_state_tracking(self)

Render state progression

Returns

RGB data of state tracking

Return type

np.array

class dacbench.wrappers.PerformanceTrackingWrapper(*env, performance_interval=None, track_instance_performance=True, logger=None*)

Bases: `gym.Wrapper`

Wrapper to track episode performance. Includes interval mode that returns performance in lists of len(interval) instead of one long list.

__setattr__(self, name, value)

Set attribute in wrapper if available and in env if not

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – Attribute to set
- **value** – Value to set attribute to

__getattribute__(*self, name*)

Get attribute value of wrapper if available and of env if not

Parameters

name (*str*) – Attribute to get

Returns

 Value of given name

Return type

 value

step(*self, action*)

Execute environment step and record performance

Parameters

action (*int*) – action to execute

Returns

 state, reward, done, metainfo

Return type

 np.array, float, bool, dict

get_performance(*self*)

Get state performance

Returns

 all states or all states and interval sorted states

Return type

 np.array or np.array, np.array or np.array, dict or np.array, np.array, dict

render_performance(*self*)

Plot performance

render_instance_performance(*self*)

Plot mean performance for each instance

class dacbench.wrappers.ObservationWrapper(*env*)

Bases: `gym.Wrapper`

Wrapper convert observations spaces to spaces.Box for convenience Currently only supports Dict -> Box

__setattr__(*self, name, value*)

Set attribute in wrapper if available and in env if not

Parameters

- **name** (*str*) – Attribute to set
- **value** – Value to set attribute to

__getattribute__(*self, name*)

Get attribute value of wrapper if available and of env if not

Parameters

name (*str*) – Attribute to get

Returns
Value of given name

Return type
value

step(*self*, *action*)
Execute environment step and record distance

Parameters
action (*int*) – action to execute

Returns
state, reward, done, metainfo

Return type
np.array, float, bool, dict

reset(*self*)
Execute environment step and record distance

Returns
state

Return type
np.array

flatten(*self*, *state_dict*)

21.1.2 Submodules

`dacbench.abstract_agent`

Module Contents

Classes

<code>AbstractDABCbenchAgent</code>	Abstract class to implement for use with the runner function
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<code>class dacbench.abstract_agent.AbstractDABCbenchAgent(<i>env</i>)</code>	
	Abstract class to implement for use with the runner function
abstract act (<i>self</i> , <i>state</i> , <i>reward</i>)	
	Compute and return environment action
Parameters	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• state – Environment state• reward – Environment reward
Returns	
	Action to take
Return type	
	action

abstract `train(self, next_state, reward)`

Train during episode if needed (pass if not)

Parameters

- **next_state** – Environment state after step
- **reward** – Environment reward

abstract `end_episode(self, state, reward)`

End of episode training if needed (pass if not)

Parameters

- **state** – Environment state
- **reward** – Environment reward

`dacbench.abstract_benchmark`

Module Contents

Classes

<code>AbstractBenchmark</code>	Abstract template for benchmark classes
<code>objdict</code>	Modified dict to make config changes more flexible

`class dacbench.abstract_benchmark.AbstractBenchmark(config_path=None, config: dacbench.abstract_benchmark.objdict = None)`

Abstract template for benchmark classes

get_config(self)

Return current configuration

Returns

Current config

Return type

dict

serialize_config(self)

Save configuration to json

Parameters

path (str) – File to save config to

process_configspace(self, configuration_space)

This is largely the built-in `cs.json.write` method, but doesn't save the result directly. If this is ever implemented in `cs`, we can replace this method.

classmethod from_json(cls, json_config)

to_json(self)

save_config(self, path)

jsonify_wrappers(self)

dejson_wrappers(*self*, *wrapper_list*)

static __import_from(*module*: str, *name*: str)

Imports the class / function / ... with name from module :param module: :param name:

Returns

Return type

the imported object

classmethod class_to_str(*cls*)

static __decorate_config_with_functions(*conf*: dict)

Replaced the stringified functions with the callable objects :param config:

static __stringify_functions(*conf*: dict) → dict

Replaced all callables in the config with a triple ('function', module_name, function_name)

Parameters

config –

Returns

Return type

modified dict

space_to_list(*self*, *space*)

list_to_space(*self*, *space_list*)

jsonify_dict_space(*self*, *dict_space*)

dictify_json(*self*, *dict_list*)

load_config(*self*, *config*: dacbench.abstract_benchmark.ObjDict)

read_config_file(*self*, *path*)

Read configuration from file

Parameters

path (str) – Path to config file

abstract get_environment(*self*)

Make benchmark environment

Returns

env – Benchmark environment

Return type

gym.Env

set_seed(*self*, *seed*)

Set environment seed

Parameters

seed (int) – New seed

set_action_space(*self*, *kind*, *args*)

Change action space

Parameters

- **kind** (str) – Name of action space class

- **args** (*list*) – List of arguments to pass to action space class

set_observation_space(*self, kind, args, data_type*)

Change observation_space

Parameters

- **kind** (*str*) – Name of observation space class
- **args** (*list*) – List of arguments to pass to observation space class
- **data_type** (*type*) – Data type of observation space

register_wrapper(*self, wrap_func*)

__eq__(*self, other*)

Return self==value.

class dacbench.abstract_benchmark.objdict****

Bases: **dict**

Modified dict to make config changes more flexible

__getattr__(*self, name*)

__setattr__(*self, name, value*)

Implement setattr(self, name, value).

__delattr__(*self, name*)

Implement delattr(self, name).

copy(*self*)

D.copy() -> a shallow copy of D

__eq__(*self, other*)

```
return isinstance(other, dict) and set(other.keys()) == set(self.keys()) and all(
    np.array_equal(self[key], other[key]) if any(isinstance(obj[key], np.ndarray) for obj in (self,
        other)) else other[key] == self[key]
    for key in self.keys()
)
```

__ne__(*self, other*)

Return self!=value.

dacbench.abstract_env

Module Contents

Classes

[*AbstractEnv*](#)

Abstract template for environments

```
class dacbench.abstract_env.AbstractEnv(config)
Bases: gym.Env

Abstract template for environments

step_(self)
Pre-step function for step count and cutoff

Returns
    End of episode

Return type
    bool

reset_(self, instance=None, instance_id=None, scheme=None)
Pre-reset function for progressing through the instance set Will either use round robin, random or no progression scheme

use_next_instance(self, instance=None, instance_id=None, scheme=None)
Changes instance according to chosen instance progression

Parameters
    • instance – Instance specification for potential new instances
    • instance_id – ID of the instance to switch to
    • scheme – Update scheme for this progression step (either round robin, random or no progression)

abstract step(self, action)
Execute environment step

Parameters
    action – Action to take

Returns
    • state – Environment state
    • reward – Environment reward
    • done (bool) – Run finished flag
    • info (dict) – Additional metainfo

abstract reset(self)
Reset environment

Returns
    Environment state

Return type
    state

get_inst_id(self)
Return instance ID

Returns
    ID of current instance

Return type
    int
```

get_instance_set(self)
Return instance set

Returns
List of instances

Return type
list

get_instance(self)
Return current instance

Returns
Currently used instance

Return type
type flexible

set_inst_id(self, inst_id)
Change current instance ID

Parameters
inst_id (int) – New instance index

set_instance_set(self, inst_set)
Change instance set

Parameters
inst_set (list) – New instance set

set_instance(self, instance)
Change currently used instance

Parameters
instance – New instance

seed_action_space(self, seed=None)
Seeds the action space. :param seed: if None self.initial_seed is be used :type seed: int, default None

seed(self, seed=None, seed_action_space=False)
Set rng seed

Parameters

- **seed** – seed for rng
- **seed_action_space (bool, default False)** – if to seed the action space as well

use_test_set(self)
Change to test instance set

use_training_set(self)
Change to training instance set

dacbench.argument_parsing**Module Contents****Classes**

<i>PathType</i>	Custom argument type for path validation.
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class dacbench.argument_parsing.PathType(exists=True, type='file', dash_ok=True)

Bases: object

Custom argument type for path validation.

Adapted from: <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/11415570/directory-path-types-with-argparse>

__call__(self, string: str)

dacbench.logger**Module Contents****Classes**

<i>AbstractLogger</i>	Logger interface.
<i>ModuleLogger</i>	A logger for handling logging of one module. e.g. a wrapper or toplevel general logging.
<i>Logger</i>	A logger that manages the creation of the module loggers.

Functions

<i>load_logs(log_file: pathlib.Path) → List[Dict]</i>	Loads the logs from a jsonl written by any logger.
<i>split(predicate: Callable, iterable: Iterable) → Tuple[List, List]</i>	Splits the iterable into two list depending on the result of predicate.
<i>flatten_log_entry(log_entry: Dict) → List[Dict]</i>	Transforms a log entry of format like
<i>list_to_tuple(list_: List) → Tuple</i>	Recursively transforms a list of lists into tuples of tuples
<i>log2dataframe(logs: List[dict], wide: bool = False, drop_columns: List[str] = ['time']) → pandas.DataFrame</i>	Converts a list of log entries to a pandas dataframe.
<i>seed_mapper(self)</i>	
<i>instance_mapper(self)</i>	

dacbench.logger.load_logs(log_file: pathlib.Path) → List[Dict]

Loads the logs from a jsonl written by any logger.

The result is the list of dicts in the format: {

```
'instance': 0, 'episode': 0, 'step': 1, 'example_log_val': {
    'values': [val1, val2, ... valn], 'times': [time1, time2, ..., timen],
}
```

:param log_file: The path to the log file :type log_file: pathlib.Path

Returns**Return type**

[Dict, ...]

dacbench.logger.split(*predicate*: Callable, *iterable*: Iterable) → Tuple[List, List]

Splits the iterable into two list depending on the result of predicate.

Parameters

- ***predicate*** (Callable) – A function taking an element of the iterable and return Ture or False
- ***iterable*** (Iterable) –

Returns**Return type**

(positives, negatives)

dacbench.logger.flatten_log_entry(*log_entry*: Dict) → List[Dict]

Transforms a log entry of format like

```
{
    'step': 0, 'episode': 2, 'some_value': {
        'values' : [34, 45], 'times':[‘28-12-20 16:20:53’, ‘28-12-20 16:21:30’],
    }
}
```

} into [

```
{ ‘step’: 0,’episode’: 2, ‘value’: 34, ‘time’: ‘28-12-20 16:20:53’}, { ‘step’: 0,’episode’: 2, ‘value’: 45, ‘time’: ‘28-12-20 16:21:30’}
```

]

Parameters***log_entry*** (Dict) – A log entrydacbench.logger.list_to_tuple(*list_*: List) → TupleRecursively transforms a list of lists into tuples of tuples :param ***list_***: (nested) list**Returns****Return type**

(nested) tuple

dacbench.logger.log2dataframe(*logs*: List[dict], *wide*: bool = False, *drop_columns*: List[str] = ['time']) → pandas.DataFrame

Converts a list of log entries to a pandas dataframe.

Usually used in combination with load_dataframe.

Parameters

- ***logs*** (List) – List of log entries

- **wide** (*bool*) – wide=False (default) produces a dataframe with columns (episode, step, time, name, value) wide=True returns a dataframe (episode, step, time, name_1, name_2, ...) if the variable name_n has not been logged at (episode, step, time) name_n is NaN.
- **drop_columns** (*List[str]*) – List of column names to be dropped (before reshaping the long dataframe) mostly used in combination with wide=True to reduce NaN values

Returns**Return type**

dataframe

`dacbench.logger.seed_mapper(self)``dacbench.logger.instance_mapper(self)`

```
class dacbench.logger.AbstractLogger(experiment_name: str, output_path: pathlib.Path,
                                      step_write_frequency: int = None, episode_write_frequency: int =
                                      1)
```

Logger interface.

The logger classes provide a way of writing structured logs as jsonl files and also help to track information like current episode, step, time ...

In the jsonl log file each row corresponds to a step.

valid_types`property additional_info(self)``set_env(self, env: dacbench.AbstractEnv) → None`

Needed to infer automatically logged information like the instance id :param env: :type env: AbstractEnv

`static _pretty_valid_types() → str`

Returns a string pretty string representation of the types that can be logged as values

`static _init_logging_dir(log_dir: pathlib.Path) → None`

Prepares the logging directory :param log_dir: :type log_dir: pathlib.Path

Returns**Return type**

None

`is_of_valid_type(self, value: Any) → bool``abstract close(self) → None`

Makes sure, that all remaining entries in the are written to file and the file is closed.

`abstract next_step(self) → None`

Call at the end of the step. Updates the internal state and dumps the information of the last step into a json

`abstract next_episode(self) → None`

Call at the end of episode.

See next_step

`abstract write(self) → None`

Writes buffered logs to file.

Invoke manually if you want to load logs during a run.

abstract `log(self, key: str, value) → None`

abstract `log_dict(self, data)`

Alternative to log if more than one value should be logged at once.

Parameters

`data (dict)` – a dict with key-value so that each value is a valid value for log

abstract `log_space(self, key: str, value: Union[numpy.ndarray, Dict], space_info=None)`

Special for logging gym.spaces.

Currently three types are supported:

- * Numbers: e.g. samples from Discrete
- * Fixed length arrays like MultiDiscrete or Box
- * Dict: assuming each key has fixed length array

Parameters

- `key` – see log
- `value` – see log
- `space_info` – a list of column names. The length of this list must equal the resulting number of columns.

class `dacbench.logger.ModuleLogger(output_path: pathlib.Path, experiment_name: str, module: str, step_write_frequency: int = None, episode_write_frequency: int = 1)`

Bases: `dacbench.logger.AbstractLogger`

A logger for handling logging of one module. e.g. a wrapper or toplevel general logging.

Don't create manually use Logger to manage ModuleLoggers

get_logfile(self) → pathlib.Path

Returns

the path to the log file of this logger

Return type

`pathlib.Path`

close(self)

Makes sure, that all remaining entries in the are written to file and the file is closed.

__del__(self)

static __json_default(object)

Add support for dumping numpy arrays and numbers to json :param object:

__end_step(self)

static __init_dict()

reset_episode(self) → None

Resets the episode and step.

Be aware that this can lead to ambitious keys if no instance or seed or other identifying additional info is set

Returns

__reset_step(self)

next_step(self)

Call at the end of the step. Updates the internal state and dumps the information of the last step into a json

next_episode(self)

Writes buffered logs to file.

Invoke manually if you want to load logs during a run.

write(self)

Writes buffered logs to file.

Invoke manually if you want to load logs during a run.

__buffer_to_file(self)**set_additional_info(self, **kwargs)**

Can be used to log additional information for each step e.g. for seed, and instance id. :param kwargs:

log(self, key: str, value: Union[Dict, List, Tuple, str, int, float, bool]) → None**__log(self, key, value, time)****log_dict(self, data: Dict) → None**

Alternative to log if more than one value should be logged at once.

Parameters

data (dict) – a dict with key-value so that each value is a valid value for log

static __space_dict(key: str, value, space_info)**log_space(self, key, value, space_info=None)**

Special for logging gym.spaces.

Currently three types are supported: * Numbers: e.g. samples from Discrete * Fixed length arrays like MultiDiscrete or Box * Dict: assuming each key has fixed length array

Parameters

- **key** – see log
- **value** – see log
- **space_info** – a list of column names. The length of this list must equal the resulting number of columns.

class dacbench.logger.Logger(experiment_name: str, output_path: pathlib.Path, step_write_frequency: int = None, episode_write_frequency: int = 1)

Bases: *dacbench.logger.AbstractLogger*

A logger that manages the creation of the module loggers.

To get a ModuleLogger for your module (e.g. my_wrapper) call module_logger = Logger(...).add_module("my_wrapper"). From now on module_logger.log(...) or logger.log(..., module="my_wrapper") can be used to log.

The logger module takes care of updating information like episode and step in the subloggers. To indicate to the loggers the end of the episode or the next_step simple call logger.next_episode() or logger.next_step().

set_env(self, env: dacbench.AbstractEnv) → None

Needed to infer automatically logged information like the instance id :param env: :type env: AbstractEnv

close(self)

Makes sure, that all remaining entries (from all sublogger) are written to files and the files are closed.

__del__(self)**next_step(self)**

Call at the end of the step. Updates the internal state of all subloggers and dumps the information of the last step into a json

next_episode(self)

Call at the end of episode.

See next_step

reset_episode(self)**write(self)**

Writes buffered logs to file.

Invoke manually if you want to load logs during a run.

add_module(self, module: Union[str, type]) → dacbench.logger.ModuleLogger

Creates a sub-logger. For more details see class level documentation :param module: The module name or Wrapper-Type to create a sub-logger for :type module: str or type

Returns**Return type**

ModuleLogger

add_agent(self, agent: dacbench.abstract_agent.AbstractDABCbenchAgent)

Writes information about the agent :param agent: :type agent: AbstractDABCbenchAgent

add_benchmark(self, benchmark: dacbench.AbstractBenchmark) → None

Writes the config to the experiment path :param benchmark:

set_additional_info(self, **kwargs)**log(self, key, value, module)****log_space(self, key, value, module, space_info=None)**

Special for logging gym.spaces.

Currently three types are supported: * Numbers: e.g. samples from Discrete * Fixed length arrays like MultiDiscrete or Box * Dict: assuming each key has fixed length array

Parameters

- **key** – see log
- **value** – see log
- **space_info** – a list of column names. The length of this list must equal the resulting number of columns.

log_dict(self, data, module)

Alternative to log if more than one value should be logged at once.

Parameters

data (*dict*) – a dict with key-value so that each value is a valid value for log

dacbench.plotting**Module Contents****Functions**

<code>space_sep_upper(column_name: str) → str</code>	Separates strings at underscores into headings.
<code>generate_global_step(data: pandas.DataFrame, x_column: str = 'global_step', x_label_columns: str = ['episode', 'step']) → Tuple[pandas.DataFrame, str, List[str]]</code>	Add a global_step column which enumerate all step over all episodes.
<code>add_multi_level_ticks(grid: seaborn.FacetGrid, plot_index: pandas.DataFrame, x_column: str, x_label_columns: str) → None</code>	Expects a FacedGrid with global_step (x_column) as x-axis and replaces the tick labels to match format episode:step
<code>plot(plot_function, settings: dict, title: str = None, x_label: str = None, y_label: str = None, **kwargs) → seaborn.FacetGrid</code>	Helper function that: create a FacetGrid
<code>plot_performance(data, title=None, x_label=None, y_label=None, **kwargs) → seaborn.FacetGrid</code>	Create a line plot of the performance over episodes.
<code>plot_performance_per_instance(data, title=None, x_label=None, y_label=None, **args) → seaborn.FacetGrid</code>	Create a bar plot of the mean performance per instance ordered by the performance.
<code>plot_step_time(data, show_global_step=False, interval=1, title=None, x_label=None, y_label=None, **args) → seaborn.FacetGrid</code>	Create a line plot showing the measured time per step.
<code>plot_episode_time(data, title=None, x_label=None, y_label=None, **kargs) → seaborn.FacetGrid</code>	Create a line plot showing the measured time per episode.
<code>plot_action(data, show_global_step=False, interval=1, title=None, x_label=None, y_label=None, **kargs)</code>	Create a line plot showing actions over time.
<code>plot_state(data, show_global_step=False, interval=1, title=None, x_label=None, y_label=None, **kargs)</code>	Create a line plot showing state over time.
<code>plot_space(data, space_column_name, show_global_step, interval=1, title=None, x_label=None, y_label=None, **args) → seaborn.FacetGrid</code>	Create a line plot showing sapce over time.

`dacbench.plotting.space_sep_upper(column_name: str) → str`

Separates strings at underscores into headings. Used to generate labels from logging names.

Parameters`column_name (str) –`**Returns****Return type**`str``dacbench.plotting.generate_global_step(data: pandas.DataFrame, x_column: str = 'global_step', x_label_columns: str = ['episode', 'step']) → Tuple[pandas.DataFrame, str, List[str]]`

Add a global_step column which enumerate all step over all episodes.

Returns the altered data, a data frame containing mapping between global_step, x_column and x_label_columns.
Often used in combination with add_multi_level_ticks.

Parameters

- **data** –
- **x_column** (*str*) – the name of the global_step (default ‘global_step’)
- **x_label_columns** (*[str, ...]*) – the name and hierarchical order of the columns (default [‘episode’, ‘step’])

Returns

Return type

(*data*, *plot_index*, *x_column*, *x_label_columns*)

```
dacbench.plotting.add_multi_level_ticks(grid: seaborn.FacetGrid, plot_index: pandas.DataFrame,
                                         x_column: str, x_label_columns: str) → None
```

Expects a FacedGrid with global_step (*x_column*) as x-axis and replaces the tick labels to match format episode:step

E.g. Run with 3 episodes, each of 10 steps. This results in 30 global steps. The resulting tick labels could be [‘0’, ‘4’, ‘9’, ‘14’, ‘19’, ‘24’, ‘29’]. After applying this method they will look like [‘0:0’, ‘0:4’, ‘1:0’, ‘1:4’, ‘2:0’, ‘2:4’, ‘3:0’, ‘3:4’]

Parameters

- **grid** (*sns.FacesGrid*) –
- **plot_index** (*pd.DataFrame*) – The mapping between current tick labels (global step values) and new tick labels joined by ‘:’. usually the result from generate_global_step
- **x_column** (*str*) – column label to use for looking up tick values
- **x_label_columns** (*[str, ...]*) – columns labels of columns to use for new labels (joined by ‘:’)

```
dacbench.plotting.plot(plot_function, settings: dict, title: str = None, x_label: str = None, y_label: str =
                           None, **kwargs) → seaborn.FacetGrid
```

Helper function that: 1. Creates a FacetGrid 2. Updates settings with kwargs (overwrites values) 3. Plots using plot_function(**settings) 4. Set x and y labels if not provided the column names will be converted to pretty strings using space_sep_upper 5. Sets title (some times has to be readjusted afterwards especially in case of large plots e.g. multiple rows/cols)

Parameters

- **plot_function** – function to generate the FacetGrid. E.g. *sns.catplot* or *sns.catplot*
- **settings** (*dict*) – a dict containing all needed default settings.
- **title** (*str*) – Title of the plot (optional)
- **x_label** (*str*) – Label of the x-axis (optional)
- **y_label** (*str*) – Label of the y-axis (optional)
- **kwargs** – Keyword arguments to overwrite default settings.

Returns

Return type

sns.FacedGrid

```
dacbench.plotting.plot_performance(data, title=None, x_label=None, y_label=None, **kwargs) →  
    seaborn.FacetGrid
```

Create a line plot of the performance over episodes.

Per default the mean performance and one std dev over all instances and seeds is shown if you want to change this specify a property to map those attributes to e.g hue='seed' or/and col='instance'. For more details see: <https://seaborn.pydata.org/generated/seaborn.relplot.html>

For examples refer to examples/plotting/performance_plotting.py

Parameters

- **data** (*pd.DataFrame*) – Dataframe resulting from logging and loading using log2dataframe(logs, wide=True)
- **title** (*str*) – Title of the plot (optional)
- **x_label** (*str*) – Label of the x-axis (optional)
- **y_label** (*str*) – Label of the y-axis (optional)
- **kwargs** – Keyword arguments to overwrite default settings.

Returns

Return type

sns.FacetGrid

```
dacbench.plotting.plot_performance_per_instance(data, title=None, x_label=None, y_label=None,  
                                                **args) → seaborn.FacetGrid
```

Create a bar plot of the mean performance per instance ordered by the performance.

Per default the mean performance seeds is shown if you want to change this specify a property to map seed to e.g. col='seed'. For more details see: <https://seaborn.pydata.org/generated/seaborn.catplot.html>

For examples refer to examples/plotting/performance_plotting.py

Parameters

- **data** (*pd.DataFrame*) – Dataframe resulting from logging and loading using log2dataframe(logs, wide=True)
- **title** (*str*) – Title of the plot (optional)
- **x_label** (*str*) – Label of the x-axis (optional)
- **y_label** (*str*) – Label of the y-axis (optional)
- **kwargs** – Keyword arguments to overwrite default settings.

Returns

Return type

sns.FacetGrid

```
dacbench.plotting.plot_step_time(data, show_global_step=False, interval=1, title=None, x_label=None,  
                                  y_label=None, **args) → seaborn.FacetGrid
```

Create a line plot showing the measured time per step.

Per default the mean performance and one std dev over all instances and seeds is shown if you want to change this specify a property to map those attributes to e.g hue='seed' or/and col='instance'. For more details see: <https://seaborn.pydata.org/generated/seaborn.relplot.html>

For examples refer to examples/plotting/time_plotting.py

Parameters

- **data** (*pd.DataFrame*) – Dataframe resulting from logging and loading using log2dataframe(logs, wide=True)
- **show_global_step** (*bool*) – If to show the global_step (step enumerated over all episodes) or Episode:Step. (False default)
- **interval** (*int*) – Interval in number of steps to average over. (default = 1)
- **title** (*str*) – Title of the plot (optional)
- **x_label** (*str*) – Label of the x-axis (optional)
- **y_label** (*str*) – Label of the y-axis (optional)
- **kwargs** – Keyword arguments to overwrite default settings.

Returns**Return type**

sns.FacedGrid

```
dacbench.plotting.plot_episode_time(data, title=None, x_label=None, y_label=None, **kargs) →
seaborn.FacetGrid
```

Create a line plot showing the measured time per episode.

Per default the mean performance and one stddev over all instances and seeds is shown if you want to change this specify a property to map those attributes to e.g hue='seed' or/and col='instance'. For more details see: <https://seaborn.pydata.org/generated/seaborn.relplot.html>

For examples refer to examples/plotting/time_plotting.py

Parameters

- **data** (*pd.DataFrame*) – Dataframe resulting from logging and loading using log2dataframe(logs, wide=True)
- **title** (*str*) – Title of the plot (optional)
- **x_label** (*str*) – Label of the x-axis (optional)
- **y_label** (*str*) – Label of the y-axis (optional)
- **kwargs** – Keyword arguments to overwrite default settings.

Returns**Return type**

sns.FacedGrid

```
dacbench.plotting.plot_action(data, show_global_step=False, interval=1, title=None, x_label=None,
y_label=None, **kargs)
```

Create a line plot showing actions over time.

Please be aware that action spaces can be quite large and the plots can become quite messy (and take some time) if you try plot all dimensions at once. It is therefore recommended to select a subset of columns before running the plot method.

Per default the mean performance and one stddev over all instances and seeds is shown if you want to change this specify a property to map those attributes to e.g hue='seed' or/and col='instance'. For more details see: <https://seaborn.pydata.org/generated/seaborn.relplot.html>

For examples refer to examples/plotting/action_plotting.py

Parameters

- **data** (*pd.DataFrame*) – Dataframe resulting from logging and loading using log2dataframe(logs, wide=True)
- **show_global_step** (*bool*) – If to show the global_step (step enumerated over all episodes) or Episode:Step. (False default)
- **interval** (*int*) – Interval in number of steps to average over. (default = 1)
- **title** (*str*) – Title of the plot (optional)
- **x_label** (*str*) – Label of the x-axis (optional)
- **y_label** (*str*) – Label of the y-axis (optional)
- **kwarg**s – Keyword arguments to overwrite default settings.

Returns**Return type**

sns.FacedGrid

```
dacbench.plotting.plot_state(data, show_global_step=False, interval=1, title=None, x_label=None, y_label=None, **kargs)
```

Create a line plot showing state over time.

Please be aware that state can be quite large and the plots can become quite messy (and take some time) if you try plot all dimensions at once. It is therefore recommended to select a subset of columns before running the plot method. Especially for dict state spaces.

Per default the mean performance and one std dev over all instances and seeds is shown if you want to change this specify a property to map those attributes to e.g hue='seed' or/and col='instance'. For more details see: <https://seaborn.pydata.org/generated/seaborn.relplot.html>

For examples refer to examples/plotting/state_plotting.py

Parameters

- **data** (*pd.DataFrame*) – Dataframe resulting from logging and loading using log2dataframe(logs, wide=True)
- **show_global_step** (*bool*) – If to show the global_step (step enumerated over all episodes) or Episode:Step. (False default)
- **interval** (*int*) – Interval in number of steps to average over. (default = 1)
- **title** (*str*) – Title of the plot (optional)
- **x_label** (*str*) – Label of the x-axis (optional)
- **y_label** (*str*) – Label of the y-axis (optional)
- **kwarg**s – Keyword arguments to overwrite default settings.

Returns**Return type**

sns.FacedGrid

```
dacbench.plotting.plot_space(data, space_column_name, show_global_step, interval=1, title=None, x_label=None, y_label=None, **args) → seaborn.FacetGrid
```

Create a line plot showing sapce over time.

Please be aware that spaces can be quite large and the plots can become quite messy (and take some time) if you try plot all dimensions at once. It is therefore recommended to select a subset of columns before running the plot method. Especially for dict spaces.

Per default the mean performance and one std dev over all instances and seeds is shown if you want to change this specify a property to map those attributes to e.g hue='seed' or/and col='instance'. For more details see: <https://seaborn.pydata.org/generated/seaborn.relplot.html>

For examples refer to

`examples/plotting/state_plotting.py` or `examples/plotting/action_plotting.py`

Parameters

- **data** (`pd.DataFrame`) – Dataframe resulting from logging and loading using `log2dataframe(logs, wide=True)`
- **show_global_step** (`bool`) – If to show the global_step (step enumerated over all episodes) or Episode:Step. (False default)
- **interval** (`int`) – Interval in number of steps to average over. (default = 1)
- **title** (`str`) – Title of the plot (optional)
- **x_label** (`str`) – Label of the x-axis (optional)
- **y_label** (`str`) – Label of the y-axis (optional)
- **kwargs** – Keyword arguments to overwrite default settings.

Returns

Return type

`sns.FacedGrid`

`dacbench.run_baselines`

Module Contents

Functions

<code>run_random(results_path,</code>	<code>benchmark_name,</code>
<code>num_episodes, seeds, fixed)</code>	

<code>run_static(results_path,</code>	<code>benchmark_name, action,</code>
<code>num_episodes, seeds=np.arange(10))</code>	

<code>run_optimal(results_path,</code>	<code>benchmark_name,</code>
<code>num_episodes, seeds)</code>	

<code>run_dynamic_policy(results_path,</code>	<code>bench-</code>
<code>mark_name, num_episodes, seeds=np.arange(10))</code>	

<code>run_policy(results_path,</code>	<code>benchmark_name,</code>
<code>num_episodes, policy, seeds=np.arange(10))</code>	

<code>main(args)</code>	
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`dacbench.run_baselines.MODEA_ACTIONS`

`dacbench.run_baselines.DISCRETE_ACTIONS`

`dacbench.run_baselines.run_random(results_path, benchmark_name, num_episodes, seeds, fixed)`

```
dacbench.run_baselines.run_static(results_path, benchmark_name, action, num_episodes,  
seeds=np.arange(10))  
  
dacbench.run_baselines.run_optimal(results_path, benchmark_name, num_episodes, seeds)  
  
dacbench.run_baselines.run_dynamic_policy(results_path, benchmark_name, num_episodes,  
seeds=np.arange(10))  
  
dacbench.run_baselines.run_policy(results_path, benchmark_name, num_episodes, policy,  
seeds=np.arange(10))  
  
dacbench.run_baselines.main(args)
```

dacbench.runner

Module Contents

Functions

<code>run_benchmark</code> (env, agent, num_episodes, logger=None)	Run single benchmark env for a given number of episodes with a given agent
<code>run_dacbench</code> (results_path, agent_method, num_episodes, bench=None, seeds=None)	Run all benchmarks for 10 seeds for a given number of episodes with a given agent and save result

dacbench.runner.current_palette

dacbench.runner.run_benchmark(env, agent, num_episodes, logger=None)

Run single benchmark env for a given number of episodes with a given agent

Parameters

- **env** (*gym.Env*) – Benchmark environment
- **agent** – Any agent implementing the methods `act`, `train` and `end_episode` (see Abstract-DACBenchAgent below)
- **num_episodes** (*int*) – Number of episodes to run
- **logger** (*dacbench.logger.Logger*: *logger to use for logging. Not closed automatically like env*) –

dacbench.runner.run_dacbench(results_path, agent_method, num_episodes, bench=None, seeds=None)

Run all benchmarks for 10 seeds for a given number of episodes with a given agent and save result

Parameters

- **bench** –
- **results_path** (*str*) – Path to where results should be saved
- **agent_method** (*function*) – Method that takes an env as input and returns an agent
- **num_episodes** (*int*) – Number of episodes to run for each benchmark
- **seeds** (*list[int]*) – List of seeds to runs all benchmarks for. If None (default) seeds [1, ..., 10] are used.

21.1.3 Package Contents

Classes

<code>AbstractEnv</code>	Abstract template for environments
<code>AbstractBenchmark</code>	Abstract template for benchmark classes

`class dacbench.AbstractEnv(config)`

Bases: `gym.Env`

Abstract template for environments

`step_(self)`

Pre-step function for step count and cutoff

Returns

End of episode

Return type

`bool`

`reset_(self, instance=None, instance_id=None, scheme=None)`

Pre-reset function for progressing through the instance set Will either use round robin, random or no progression scheme

`use_next_instance(self, instance=None, instance_id=None, scheme=None)`

Changes instance according to chosen instance progression

Parameters

- `instance` – Instance specification for potential new instances
- `instance_id` – ID of the instance to switch to
- `scheme` – Update scheme for this progression step (either round robin, random or no progression)

`abstract step(self, action)`

Execute environment step

Parameters

`action` – Action to take

Returns

- `state` – Environment state
- `reward` – Environment reward
- `done (bool)` – Run finished flag
- `info (dict)` – Additional metainfo

`abstract reset(self)`

Reset environment

Returns

Environment state

Return type

`state`

get_inst_id(self)

Return instance ID

Returns

ID of current instance

Return type

int

get_instance_set(self)

Return instance set

Returns

List of instances

Return type

list

get_instance(self)

Return current instance

Returns

Currently used instance

Return type

type flexible

set_inst_id(self, inst_id)

Change current instance ID

Parameters

inst_id (int) – New instance index

set_instance_set(self, inst_set)

Change instance set

Parameters

inst_set (list) – New instance set

set_instance(self, instance)

Change currently used instance

Parameters

instance – New instance

seed_action_space(self, seed=None)

Seeds the action space. :param seed: if None self.initial_seed is be used :type seed: int, default None

seed(self, seed=None, seed_action_space=False)

Set rng seed

Parameters

- **seed** – seed for rng
- **seed_action_space** (bool, default False) – if to seed the action space as well

use_test_set(self)

Change to test instance set

use_training_set(self)

Change to training instance set

```
class dacbench.AbstractBenchmark(config_path=None, config: dacbench.abstract_benchmark.ObjDict = None)
```

Abstract template for benchmark classes

```
get_config(self)
```

Return current configuration

Returns

Current config

Return type

dict

```
serialize_config(self)
```

Save configuration to json

Parameters

path (*str*) – File to save config to

```
process_configspace(self, configuration_space)
```

This is largely the built-in `cs.json.write` method, but doesn't save the result directly. If this is ever implemented in `cs`, we can replace this method.

```
classmethod from_json(cls, json_config)
```

```
to_json(self)
```

```
save_config(self, path)
```

```
jsonify_wrappers(self)
```

```
dejson_wrappers(self, wrapper_list)
```

```
static __import_from(module: str, name: str)
```

Imports the class / function / ... with name from module :param module: :param name:

Returns

Return type

the imported object

```
classmethod class_to_str(cls)
```

```
static __decorate_config_with_functions(conf: dict)
```

Replaced the stringified functions with the callable objects :param config:

```
static __stringify_functions(conf: dict) → dict
```

Replaced all callables in the config with a triple ('function', module_name, function_name)

Parameters

config –

Returns

Return type

modified dict

```
space_to_list(self, space)
```

```
list_to_space(self, space_list)
```

```
jsonify_dict_space(self, dict_space)
dictify_json(self, dict_list)
load_config(self, config: dacbench.abstract_benchmark.ObjDict)
read_config_file(self, path)
    Read configuration from file

Parameters
    path (str) – Path to config file

abstract get_environment(self)
    Make benchmark environment

Returns
    env – Benchmark environment

Return type
    gym.Env

set_seed(self, seed)
    Set environment seed

Parameters
    seed (int) – New seed

set_action_space(self, kind, args)
    Change action space

Parameters
    • kind (str) – Name of action space class
    • args (list) – List of arguments to pass to action space class

set_observation_space(self, kind, args, data_type)
    Change observation_space

Parameters
    • kind (str) – Name of observation space class
    • args (list) – List of arguments to pass to observation space class
    • data_type (type) – Data type of observation space

register_wrapper(self, wrap_func)

__eq__(self, other)
    Return self==value.
```

21.2 random_states

21.2.1 Module Contents

Functions

```
small_random_luby_state(self)
```

```
random_luby_state(self)
```

```
small_random_sigmoid_state(self)
```

```
random_sigmoid_state(self)
```

```
random_states.small_random_luby_state(self)
```

```
random_states.random_luby_state(self)
```

```
random_states.small_random_sigmoid_state(self)
```

```
random_states.random_sigmoid_state(self)
```

21.3 reward_functions

21.3.1 Module Contents

Functions

```
easy_sigmoid(self)
```

```
almost_easy_sigmoid(self)
```

```
sum_reward(self)
```

```
random_reward(self)
```

```
manhattan_distance_reward_geometric(self)
```

```
quadratic_manhattan_distance_reward_geometric(self)
```

```
quadratic_euclidean_distance_reward_geometric(self)
```

```
multiply_reward_geometric(self)
```

```
reward_functions.easy_sigmoid(self)
```

```
reward_functions.almost_easy_sigmoid(self)
reward_functions.sum_reward(self)
reward_functions.random_reward(self)
reward_functions.manhattan_distance_reward_geometric(self)
reward_functions.quadratic_manhattan_distance_reward_geometric(self)
reward_functions.quadratic_euclidean_distance_reward_geometric(self)
reward_functions.multiply_reward_geometric(self)
```

21.4 SampleGeometricInstances

21.4.1 Module Contents

Functions

<code>save_geometric_instances(filename: str, config: Dict = FUNCTION_CONFIG, path: str = "")</code>	First delete old instance_set.
<code>_create_csv_string(index, func_name: str) → str</code>	Create comma separated string with function name and parameter values.
<code>sample_sinus_value()</code>	
<code>sample_sigmoid_value()</code>	
<code>sample_parabel_cubic_value()</code>	

`SampleGeometricInstances.FILE_PATH`

`SampleGeometricInstances.FUNCTION_CONFIG`

`SampleGeometricInstances.FUNCTION_PARAMETER_NUMBERS`

`SampleGeometricInstances.SAMPLE_SIZE = 100`

`SampleGeometricInstances.save_geometric_instances(filename: str, config: Dict = FUNCTION_CONFIG, path: str = "")`

First delete old instance_set. Create new instances based on config.

Parameters

- **filename** (*str*) – name of instance set
- **config** (*Dict, optional*) – config that has info about which functions will get selected, by default `FUNCTION_CONFIG`

`SampleGeometricInstances._create_csv_string(index, func_name: str) → str`

Create comma separated string with function name and parameter values. Set 0 for irrelevant params.

Parameters

- **index** – instance index

- **func_name** (*str*) – name of function

Returns

comma separated string

Return type

str

`SampleGeometricInstances.sample_sinus_value()`

`SampleGeometricInstances.sample_sigmoid_value()`

`SampleGeometricInstances.sample_parabel_cubic_value()`

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