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# GETTING STARTED

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MultiTask Environments for Reinforcement Learning.

## 1.1 Introduction

MTEnv is a library to interface with environments for multi-task reinforcement learning. It has two main components:

- A core API/interface that extends the [gym interface](#) and adds first-class support for multi-task RL.
- A [collection of environments](#) that implement the API.

Together, these two components should provide a standard interface for multi-task RL environments and make it easier to reuse components and tools across environments.

You can read more about the difference between MTEnv and single-task environments [here](#).

### 1.1.1 List of publications & submissions using MTEnv (please create a pull request to add the missing entries):

- [Learning Adaptive Exploration Strategies in Dynamic Environments Through Informed Policy Regularization](#)
- [Learning Robust State Abstractions for Hidden-Parameter Block MDPs](#)
- [\*Multi-Task Reinforcement Learning with Context-based Representations\]\* <<https://arxiv.org/abs/2102.06177>>](#)

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### 1.1.2 License

- MTEnv uses [MIT License](#).
- [Terms of Use](#)
- [Privacy Policy](#)

### 1.1.3 Citing MTEnv

If you use MTEnv in your research, please use the following BibTeX entry:

```
@Misc{Sodhani2021MTEnv,
  author = {Shagun Sodhani and Ludovic Denoyer and Pierre-Alexandre Kamienny and Olivier Delalleau},
  title = {MTEnv - Environment interface for multi-task reinforcement learning},
  howpublished = {Github},
  year = {2021},
  url = {https://github.com/facebookresearch/mtenv}
}
```

## 1.2 Installation

MTEnv has two components - a core API and environments that implement the API.

The **Core API** can be installed via `pip install mtenv` or `pip install git+https://github.com/facebookresearch/mtenv.git@main#egg=mtenv`

The **list of environments**, that implement the API, is available [here](#). Any of these environments can be installed via `pip install git+https://github.com/facebookresearch/mtenv.git@main#egg="mtenv[env_name]"`. For example, the `MetaWorld` environment can be installed via `pip install git+https://github.com/facebookresearch/mtenv.git@main#egg="mtenv[metaworld]"`.

All the environments can be installed at once using `pip install git+https://github.com/facebookresearch/mtenv.git@main#egg="mtenv[all]"`. However, note that some environments may have incompatible dependencies.

MTEnv can also be installed from the source by first cloning the repo (`git clone git@github.com:facebookresearch/mtenv.git`), `cd`ing into the directory `cd mtenv`, and then using the `pip` commands as described above. For example, `pip install mtenv` to install the core API, and `pip install "mtenv[env_name]"` to install a particular environment.

## 1.3 Usage

MTEnv provides an interface very similar to the standard gym environments. One key difference between multitask environments (that implement the MTEnv interface and single tasks environments) is in terms of observation that they return.

### 1.3.1 MultiTask Observation

The multitask environments returns a dictionary as the observation. This dictionary has two keys: (i) `env_obs` which maps to the observation from the environment (i.e. the observation that a single task environments return) and (ii) `task_obs` which maps to the task-specific information from the environment. In the simplest case, `task_obs` can be an integer denoting the task index. In other cases, `task_obs` can provide richer information.

```
from mtenv import make
env = make("MT-MetaWorld-MT10-v0")
obs = env.reset()
```

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```

print(obs)
# {'env_obs': array([-0.03265039,  0.51487777,  0.2368754 , -0.06968209,  0.6235982 ,
#   0.01492813,  0.          ,  0.          ,  0.          ,  0.03933976,
#   0.89743189,  0.01492813]), 'task_obs': 1}
action = env.action_space.sample()
print(action)
# array([-0.76422   , -0.15384133,  0.74575615, -0.11724994], dtype=float32)
obs, reward, done, info = env.step(action)
print(obs)
# {'env_obs': array([-0.02583682,  0.54065546,  0.22773503, -0.06968209,  0.6235982 ,
#   0.01494118,  0.          ,  0.          ,  0.          ,  0.03933976,
#   0.89743189,  0.01492813]), 'task_obs': 1}

```

## 1.4 Documentation

<https://mtenv.readthedocs.io>

## 1.5 Contributing to MTEnv

There are several ways to contribute to MTEnv.

1. Use MTEnv in your research.
2. Contribute a new environment. We support [many environments](#) via MTEnv and are looking forward to adding more environments. Contributors will be added as authors of the library. You can learn more about the workflow of adding an environment [here](#).
3. Check out the [good-first-issues](#) on GitHub and contribute to fixing those issues.
4. Check out additional details [here](#).

## 1.6 Community

Ask questions in the chat or github issues:

- [Chat](#)
- [Issues](#)

## 1.7 Glossary

### 1.7.1 Task State

Task State contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.



## SUPPORTED ENVIRONMENTS

The following environments are supported:

### 2.1 Control

#### Installation

```
pip install git+https://github.com/facebookresearch/mtenv.git@main#egg="mtenv[control]  
↔"
```

### 2.2 HiPBMDP

[ZSKP20] create a family of MDPs using the existing environment-task pairs from DeepMind Control Suite [TTM+20] and change one environment parameter to sample different MDPs. For more details, refer [ZSKP20].

#### Installation

```
pip install git+https://github.com/facebookresearch/mtenv.git@main#egg="mtenv[hipbmdp]  
↔"
```

#### Usage

```
from mtenv import make  
env = make("MT-HiPBMDP-Finger-Spin-vary-size-v0")  
env.reset()
```

### 2.3 MetaWorld

[YQH+20] proposed an open-source simulated benchmark for meta-reinforcement learning and multi-task learning consisting of 50 distinct robotic manipulation tasks. For more details, refer [YQH+20]. MTEnv provides a wrapper for the multi-task learning environments.

#### Installation

```
pip install git+https://github.com/facebookresearch/mtenv.git@main#egg=  
↔"mtenv[metaworld]"
```

#### Usage

```
from mtenv import make
env = make("MT-MetaWorld-MT10-v0") # or MT-MetaWorld-MT50-v0 or MT-MetaWorld-MT1-v0
env.reset()
```

## 2.4 MPTE

### Installation

```
pip install git+https://github.com/facebookresearch/mtenv.git@main#egg="mtenv[mpte]"
```

## 2.5 References

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## HOW TO CREATE NEW ENVIRONMENTS

There are two workflows:

1. You have a standard gym environment, which you want to convert into a multitask environment. For example, `examples/bandit.py` implements `BanditEnv` which is a standard multi-arm bandit, without an explicit notion of task. The user has the following options:
  - Write a new subclass, say `MTBanditEnv` (which subclasses `MTEnv`) as shown in `examples/mtenv_bandit.py`.
  - Use the `EnvToMTEnv` wrapper and wrap the existing single task environment. In some cases, the wrapper may have to be extended, as is done in `examples/wrapped_bandit.py`.
2. If you do not have a single-task gym environment to start with, it is recommended that you directly extend the `MTEnv` class. Implementations in `mtenv/envs` can be seen as a reference.

If you want to contribute an environment to the repo, checkout the [Contribution Guide](#).



## 4.1 mtenv package

### 4.1.1 Subpackages

**mtenv.envs** package

Subpackages

**mtenv.envs.control** package

Submodules

**mtenv.envs.control.acrobot** module

```
class mtenv.envs.control.acrobot.Acrobot
Bases: mtenv.envs.control.acrobot.MTAcrobot
```

The original acrobot environment in the MTEnv fashion

Main class for multitask RL Environments.

This abstract class extends the OpenAI Gym environment and adds support for return the task-specific information from the environment. The observation returned from the single task environments is encoded as *env\_obs* (environment observation) while the task specific observation is encoded as the *task\_obs* (task observation). The observation returned by *mtenv* is a dictionary of *env\_obs* and *task\_obs*. Since this class extends the OpenAI gym, the *mtenv* API looks similar to the gym API.

```
import mtenv
env = mtenv.make('xxx')
env.reset()
```

Any multitask RL environment class should extend/implement this class.

Parameters

- **action\_space** (*Space*) –
- **env\_observation\_space** (*Space*) –
- **task\_observation\_space** (*Space*) –

```
sample_task_state()  
    Sample a task_state.
```

*task\_state* contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the task seed is set (by calling *seed(int)*) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking *self.assert\_task\_seed\_is\_set()*.

**Returns** For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**Return type** TaskStateType

```
class mtenv.envs.control.acrobot.MTAcrobot  
    Bases: mtenv.core.MTEnv
```

A acrobot environment with varying characteristics The task descriptor is composed of values between -1 and +1 and mapped to acrobot physical characcteristics in the self.\_mu\_to\_vars function.

Main class for multitask RL Environments.

This abstract class extends the OpenAI Gym environment and adds support for return the task-specific information from the environment. The observation returned from the single task environments is encoded as *env\_obs* (environment observation) while the task specific observation is encoded as the *task\_obs* (task observation). The observation returned by *mtenv* is a dictionary of *env\_obs* and *task\_obs*. Since this class extends the OpenAI gym, the *mtenv* API looks similar to the gym API.

```
import mtenv  
env = mtenv.make('xxx')  
env.reset()
```

Any multitask RL environment class should extend/implement this class.

#### Parameters

- **action\_space** (*Space*) –
- **env\_observation\_space** (*Space*) –
- **task\_observation\_space** (*Space*) –

```
MAX_VEL_1 = 15.707963267948966
```

```
MAX_VEL_2 = 34.55751918948772
```

```
action_arrow = None
```

```
actions_num = 3
```

```
book_or_nips = 'book'
```

use dynamics equations from the nips paper or the book

```
domain_fig = None
```

```
dt = 0.2
```

```
get_task_obs()
```

Get the current value of task observation.

Environment returns task observation everytime we call *step* or *reset*. This function is useful when the user wants to access the task observation without acting in (or resetting) the environment.

**Returns**

**Return type** TaskObsType

**get\_task\_state()**

Return all the information needed to execute the current task again.

This function is useful when we want to set the environment to a previous task.

**Returns** For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**Return type** TaskStateType

```
metadata = {'render.modes': ['human', 'rgb_array'], 'video.frames_per_second': 15}
```

**reset()**

Reset the environment to some initial state and return the observation in the new state.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the environment seed is set (by calling *seed(int)*) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking *self.assert\_env\_seed\_is\_set()*.

**Returns** For more information on *multitask observation* returned by the environment, refer [Multitask Observation](#).

**Return type** ObsType

**sample\_task\_state()**

Sample a *task\_state*.

*task\_state* contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the task seed is set (by calling *seed(int)*) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking *self.assert\_task\_seed\_is\_set()*.

**Returns** For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**Return type** TaskStateType

**seed(*env\_seed*)**

Set the seed for the environment's random number generator.

Invoke *seed\_task* to set the seed for the task's random number generator.

**Parameters** **seed**(*Optional[int]*, *optional*) – Defaults to None.

**Returns** Returns the list of seeds used in the environment's random number generator. The first value in the list should be the seed that should be passed to this method for reproducibility.

**Return type** List[int]

**seed\_task(*task\_seed*)**

Set the seed for the task's random number generator.

Invoke *seed* to set the seed for the environment's random number generator.

**Parameters** **seed**(*Optional[int]*, *optional*) – Defaults to None.

**Returns** Returns the list of seeds used in the task's random number generator. The first value in the list should be the seed that should be passed to this method for reproducibility.

**Return type** List[int]

**set\_task\_state(*task\_state*)**

Reset the environment to a particular task.

*task\_state* contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.

**Parameters** **task\_state**(*TaskStateType*) – For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**step**(*a*)

Execute the action in the environment.

**Parameters** **action**(*ActionType*) –

**Returns** Tuple of *multitask observation*, *reward*, *done*, and *info*. For more information on *multitask observation* returned by the environment, refer [MultiTask Observation](#).

**Return type** StepReturnType

**torque\_noise\_max** = 0.0

mtenv.envs.control.acrobot.**bound**(*x, m, M=None*)

**Parameters** **x** – scalar

Either have *m* as scalar, so *bound(x,m,M)* which returns *m <= x <= M* OR have *m* as length 2 vector, *bound(x,m,<IGNORED>)* returns *m[0] <= x <= m[1]*.

mtenv.envs.control.acrobot.**rk4**(*derivs, y0, t, \*args, \*\*kwargs*)

Integrate 1D or ND system of ODEs using 4-th order Runge-Kutta. This is a toy implementation which may be useful if you find yourself stranded on a system w/o scipy. Otherwise use *scipy.integrate().y0*

initial state vector

**t** sample times

**derivs** returns the derivative of the system and has the signature *dy = derivs(yi, ti)*

**args** additional arguments passed to the derivative function

**kwargs** additional keyword arguments passed to the derivative function

**Example 1 ::** ## 2D system def derivs6(*x,t*):

```
d1 = x[0] + 2*x[1] d2 = -3*x[0] + 4*x[1] return (d1, d2)
```

```
dt = 0.0005 t = arange(0.0, 2.0, dt) y0 = (1,2) yout = rk4(derivs6, y0, t)
```

**Example 2::** ## 1D system alpha = 2 def derivs(*x,t*):

```
return -alpha*x + exp(-t)
```

```
y0 = 1 yout = rk4(derivs, y0, t)
```

If you have access to scipy, you should probably be using the *scipy.integrate* tools rather than this function.

mtenv.envs.control.acrobot.**wrap**(*x, m, M*)

**Parameters**

- **x** – a scalar
- **m** – minimum possible value in range
- **M** – maximum possible value in range

Wraps *x* so *m <= x <= M*; but unlike *bound()* which truncates, *wrap()* wraps *x* around the coordinate system defined by *m,M*.

For example, *m* = -180, *M* = 180 (degrees), *x* = 360 → returns 0.

## mtenv.envs.control.cartpole module

```
class mtenv.envs.control.cartpole.CartPole
Bases: mtenv.envs.control.cartpole.MTCartPole
```

The original cartpole environment in the MTEnv fashion

Main class for multitask RL Environments.

This abstract class extends the OpenAI Gym environment and adds support for return the task-specific information from the environment. The observation returned from the single task environments is encoded as *env\_obs* (environment observation) while the task specific observation is encoded as the *task\_obs* (task observation). The observation returned by *mtenv* is a dictionary of *env\_obs* and *task\_obs*. Since this class extends the OpenAI gym, the *mtenv* API looks similar to the gym API.

```
import mtenv
env = mtenv.make('xxx')
env.reset()
```

Any multitask RL environment class should extend/implement this class.

### Parameters

- **action\_space** (*Space*) –
- **env\_observation\_space** (*Space*) –
- **task\_observation\_space** (*Space*) –

**sample\_task\_state()**

Sample a *task\_state*.

*task\_state* contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the task seed is set (by calling *seed(int)*) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking *self.assert\_task\_seed\_is\_set()*.

**Returns** For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**Return type** TaskStateType

```
class mtenv.envs.control.cartpole.MTCartPole
```

Bases: [mtenv.core.MTEnv](#)

A cartpole environment with varying physical values (see the *self.\_mu\_to\_vars* function)

Main class for multitask RL Environments.

This abstract class extends the OpenAI Gym environment and adds support for return the task-specific information from the environment. The observation returned from the single task environments is encoded as *env\_obs* (environment observation) while the task specific observation is encoded as the *task\_obs* (task observation). The observation returned by *mtenv* is a dictionary of *env\_obs* and *task\_obs*. Since this class extends the OpenAI gym, the *mtenv* API looks similar to the gym API.

```
import mtenv
env = mtenv.make('xxx')
env.reset()
```

Any multitask RL environment class should extend/implement this class.

### Parameters

- **action\_space** (*Space*) –

- **env\_observation\_space** (*Space*) –
- **task\_observation\_space** (*Space*) –

**get\_task\_obs()**

Get the current value of task observation.

Environment returns task observation everytime we call *step* or *reset*. This function is useful when the user wants to access the task observation without acting in (or resetting) the environment.

**Returns****Return type** TaskObsType**get\_task\_state()**

Return all the information needed to execute the current task again.

This function is useful when we want to set the environment to a previous task.

**Returns** For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).**Return type** TaskStateType**metadata** = {'render.modes': ['human', 'rgb\_array'], 'video.frames\_per\_second': 50}**reset(\*\*args)**

Reset the environment to some initial state and return the observation in the new state.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the environment seed is set (by calling *seed(int)*) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking *self.assert\_env\_seed\_is\_set()*.

**Returns** For more information on *multitask observation* returned by the environment, refer [Multitask Observation](#).**Return type** ObsType**sample\_task\_state()**

Sample a *task\_state*.

*task\_state* contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the task seed is set (by calling *seed(int)*) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking *self.assert\_task\_seed\_is\_set()*.

**Returns** For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).**Return type** TaskStateType**seed(env\_seed)**

Set the seed for the environment's random number generator.

Invoke *seed\_task* to set the seed for the task's random number generator.

**Parameters** **seed**(*Optional[int]*, *optional*) – Defaults to None.**Returns** Returns the list of seeds used in the environment's random number generator. The first value in the list should be the seed that should be passed to this method for reproducibility.**Return type** List[int]**seed\_task(task\_seed)**

Set the seed for the task's random number generator.

Invoke *seed* to set the seed for the environment's random number generator.

**Parameters** **seed**(*Optional[int]*, *optional*) – Defaults to None.

**Returns** Returns the list of seeds used in the task's random number generator. The first value in the list should be the seed that should be passed to this method for reproducibility.

**Return type** List[int]

**set\_task\_state** (task\_state)

Reset the environment to a particular task.

*task\_state* contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.

**Parameters** **task\_state** (TaskStateType) – For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**step** (action)

Execute the action in the environment.

**Parameters** **action** (ActionType) –

**Returns** Tuple of *multitask observation*, *reward*, *done*, and *info*. For more information on *multitask observation* returned by the environment, refer [MultiTask Observation](#).

**Return type** StepReturnType

## mtenv.envs.control.setup module

### Module contents

#### mtenv.envs.hipbmdp package

##### Subpackages

#### mtenv.envs.hipbmdp.wrappers package

##### Submodules

#### mtenv.envs.hipbmdp.wrappers.dmc\_wrapper module

#### mtenv.envs.hipbmdp.wrappers.framestack module

Wrapper to stack observations for single task environments.

**class** mtenv.envs.hipbmdp.wrappers.framestack.**FrameStack** (*env*: gym.core.Env, *k*: int)  
Bases: gym.core.Wrapper

Wrapper to stack observations for single task environments.

##### Parameters

- **env** (gym.core.Env) – Single Task Environment
- **k** (int) – number of frames to stack.

**reset** () → numpy.ndarray

Resets the environment to an initial state and returns an initial observation.

Note that this function should not reset the environment's random number generator(s); random variables in the environment's state should be sampled independently between multiple calls to *reset()*. In other

words, each call of `reset()` should yield an environment suitable for a new episode, independent of previous episodes.

**Returns** the initial observation.

**Return type** observation (object)

**step** (`action: Union[str, int, float, numpy.ndarray]`) → `Tuple[numpy.ndarray, float, bool, Dict[str, Any]]`

Run one timestep of the environment's dynamics. When end of episode is reached, you are responsible for calling `reset()` to reset this environment's state.

Accepts an action and returns a tuple (observation, reward, done, info).

**Parameters** `action` (`object`) – an action provided by the agent

**Returns** agent's observation of the current environment reward (float) : amount of reward returned after previous action done (bool): whether the episode has ended, in which case further step() calls will return undefined results info (dict): contains auxiliary diagnostic information (helpful for debugging, and sometimes learning)

**Return type** observation (object)

## **mtenv.envs.hipbmdp.wrappers.sticky\_observation module**

Wrapper to enable sticky observations for single task environments.

```
class mtenv.envs.hipbmdp.wrappers.sticky_observation.StickyObservation(env:  
    gym.core.Env,  
    sticky_probability:  
    float,  
    last_k:  
    int)
```

Bases: `gym.core.Wrapper`

Env wrapper that returns a previous observation with probability  $p$  and the current observation with a probability  $1-p$ . `last_k` previous observations are stored.

**Parameters**

- `env` (`gym.Env`) – Single task environment.
- `sticky_probability` (`float`) – Probability  $p$  for returning a previous observation.
- `last_k` (`int`) – Number of previous observations to store.

**Raises** `ValueError` – Raise a ValueError if `sticky_probability` is not in range  $[0, 1]$ .

**reset()**

Resets the environment to an initial state and returns an initial observation.

Note that this function should not reset the environment's random number generator(s); random variables in the environment's state should be sampled independently between multiple calls to `reset()`. In other words, each call of `reset()` should yield an environment suitable for a new episode, independent of previous episodes.

**Returns** the initial observation.

**Return type** observation (object)

**step** (`action`)

Run one timestep of the environment's dynamics. When end of episode is reached, you are responsible for calling `reset()` to reset this environment's state.

Accepts an action and returns a tuple (observation, reward, done, info).

**Parameters** `action` (*object*) – an action provided by the agent

**Returns** agent's observation of the current environment reward (float) : amount of reward returned after previous action done (bool): whether the episode has ended, in which case further step() calls will return undefined results info (dict): contains auxiliary diagnostic information (helpful for debugging, and sometimes learning)

**Return type** observation (*object*)

## Module contents

### Submodules

#### mtenv.envs.hipbmdp.dmc\_env module

```
mtenv.envs.hipbmdp.dmc_env.build_dmc_env(domain_name: str, task_name: str, seed: int, xml_file_id: str, visualize_reward: bool, from_pixels: bool, height: int, width: int, frame_skip: int, frame_stack: int, sticky_observation_cfg: Dict[str, Any]) → gym.core.Env
```

Build a single DMC environment as described in [TTM+20].

#### Parameters

- `domain_name` (*str*) – name of the domain.
- `task_name` (*str*) – name of the task.
- `seed` (*int*) – environment seed (for reproducibility).
- `xml_file_id` (*str*) – id of the xml file to use.
- `visualize_reward` (*bool*) – should visualize reward ?
- `from_pixels` (*bool*) – return pixel observations?
- `height` (*int*) – height of pixel frames.
- `width` (*int*) – width of pixel frames.
- `frame_skip` (*int*) – should skip frames?
- `frame_stack` (*int*) – should stack frames together?
- `sticky_observation_cfg` (*Dict*[*str*, *Any*]) – Configuration for using sticky observations. It should be a dictionary with three keys, `should_use` which specifies if the config should be used, `sticky_probability` which specifies the probability of choosing a previous task and `last_k` which specifies the number of previous frames to choose from.

#### Returns

**Return type** Env

## **mtenv.envs.hipbmdp.env module**

```
mtenv.envs.hipbmdp.env.build(domain_name: str, task_name: str, seed: int, xml_file_ids:  
    List[str], visualize_reward: bool, from_pixels: bool,  
    height: int, width: int, frame_skip: int, frame_stack: int,  
    sticky_observation_cfg: Dict[str, Any], initial_task_state: int = 1)  
    → mtenv.core.MTEnv
```

Build multitask environment as described in HiPBMDP paper. See [ZSKP20] for more details.

### **Parameters**

- **domain\_name** (str) – name of the domain.
- **task\_name** (str) – name of the task.
- **seed** (int) – environment seed (for reproducibility).
- **xml\_file\_ids** (List[str]) – ids of xml files.
- **visualize\_reward** (bool) – should visualize reward ?
- **from\_pixels** (bool) – return pixel observations?
- **height** (int) – height of pixel frames.
- **width** (int) – width of pixel frames.
- **frame\_skip** (int) – should skip frames?
- **frame\_stack** (int) – should stack frames together?
- **sticky\_observation\_cfg** (Dict[str, Any]) – Configuration for using sticky observations. It should be a dictionary with three keys, *should\_use* which specifies if the config should be used, *sticky\_probability* which specifies the probability of choosing a previous task and *last\_k* which specifies the number of previous frames to choose from.
- **initial\_task\_state** (int, optional) – intial task/environment to select. Defaults to 1.

### **Returns**

**Return type** *MTEnv*

## **mtenv.envs.hipbmdp.setup module**

### **Module contents**

#### **mtenv.envs.metaworld package**

##### **Subpackages**

#### **mtenv.envs.metaworld.wrappers package**

##### **Submodules**

## mtenv.envs.metaworld.wrappers.normalized\_env module

```
class mtenv.envs.metaworld.wrappers.normalized_env.NormalizedEnvWrapper(env,
                           scale_reward=1.0,
                           nor-
                           mal-
                           ize_obs=False,
                           nor-
                           mal-
                           ize_reward=False,
                           ex-
                           pected_action_scale=1.0,
                           flat-
                           ten_obs=True,
                           obs_alpha=0.001,
                           re-
                           ward_alpha=0.001)
```

Bases: gym.core.Wrapper

An environment wrapper for normalization.

This wrapper normalizes action, and optionally observation and reward.

### Parameters

- **env** (*garage.envs.GarageEnv*) – An environment instance.
- **scale\_reward** (*float*) – Scale of environment reward.
- **normalize\_obs** (*bool*) – If True, normalize observation.
- **normalize\_reward** (*bool*) – If True, normalize reward. scale\_reward is applied after normalization.
- **expected\_action\_scale** (*float*) – Assuming action falls in the range of [-expected\_action\_scale, expected\_action\_scale] when normalize it.
- **flatten\_obs** (*bool*) – Flatten observation if True.
- **obs\_alpha** (*float*) – Update rate of moving average when estimating the mean and variance of observations.
- **reward\_alpha** (*float*) – Update rate of moving average when estimating the mean and variance of rewards.

**reset** (\*\*kwargs)

Reset environment.

**Parameters** **\*\*kwargs** – Additional parameters for reset.

### Returns

- observation (*np.ndarray*): The observation of the environment.
- reward (*float*): The reward acquired at this time step.
- **done (boolean): Whether the environment was completed at this time step.**
- infos (*dict*): Environment-dependent additional information.

**Return type** tuple

**step** (*action*)

Feed environment with one step of action and get result.

**Parameters** `action` (`np.ndarray`) – An action fed to the environment.

**Returns**

- `observation` (`np.ndarray`): The observation of the environment.
- `reward` (`float`): The reward acquired at this time step.
- **done (boolean): Whether the environment was completed at this time step.**
- `infos` (`dict`): Environment-dependent additional information.

**Return type** tuple

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### Submodules

[mtenv.envs.metaworld.env module](#)

[mtenv.envs.metaworld.setup module](#)

## Module contents

[mtenv.envs.mpte package](#)

### Submodules

[mtenv.envs.mpte.setup module](#)

[mtenv.envs.mpte.two\\_goal\\_maze\\_env module](#)

## Module contents

[mtenv.envs.shared package](#)

### Subpackages

[mtenv.envs.shared.wrappers package](#)

### Submodules

[mtenv.envs.shared.wrappers.multienv module](#)

Wrapper to (lazily) construct a multitask environment from a list of constructors (list of functions to construct the environments).

```
class mtenv.envs.shared.wrappers.multienv.MultiEnvWrapper(funcs_to_make_envs:  
    List[Callable[]],  
    gym.core.Env[], initial_task_state: int)
```

Bases: `mtenv.core.MTEnv`

Wrapper to (lazily) construct a multitask environment from a list of constructors (list of functions to construct the environments).

The wrapper enables activating/selecting any environment (from the list of environments that can be created) and that environment is treated as the current task. The environments are created lazily.

Note that this wrapper is experimental and may change in the future.

### Parameters

- **funcs\_to\_make\_envs** (*List[EnvBuilderType]*) – list of constructor functions to make the environments.
- **initial\_task\_state** (*TaskStateType*) – initial task/environment to select.

**assert\_env\_seed\_is\_set()** → None

The seed is set during the call to the constructor of self.env

**assert\_task\_seed\_is\_set()** → None

Check that seed (for the task) is set.

*sample\_task\_state* function should invoke this function before sampling a new task state (for reproducibility).

**get\_task\_state()** → int

Return all the information needed to execute the current task again.

This function is useful when we want to set the environment to a previous task.

**Returns** For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**Return type** TaskStateType

**reset()** → Dict[str, Union[numpy.ndarray, str, int, float]]

Reset the environment to some initial state and return the observation in the new state.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the environment seed is set (by calling *seed(int)*) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking *self.assert\_env\_seed\_is\_set()*.

**Returns** For more information on *multitask observation* returned by the environment, refer [Multitask Observation](#).

**Return type** ObsType

**reset\_task\_state()** → None

Sample a new task\_state and set the environment to that *task\_state*.

For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**sample\_task\_state()** → int

Sample a *task\_state*.

*task\_state* contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the task seed is set (by calling *seed(int)*) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking *self.assert\_task\_seed\_is\_set()*.

**Returns** For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**Return type** TaskStateType

**seed(*seed: Optional[int] = None*)** → List[int]

Set the seed for the environment's random number generator.

Invoke *seed\_task* to set the seed for the task's random number generator.

**Parameters** **seed** (*Optional[int], optional*) – Defaults to None.

**Returns** Returns the list of seeds used in the environment's random number generator. The first value in the list should be the seed that should be passed to this method for reproducibility.

**Return type** List[int]

**set\_task\_state** (task\_state: int) → None

Reset the environment to a particular task.

*task\_state* contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.

**Parameters** **task\_state** (TaskStateType) – For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**step** (action: Union[str, int, float, numpy.ndarray]) → Tuple[Dict[str, Union[numpy.ndarray, str, int, float]], float, bool, Dict[str, Any]]

Execute the action in the environment.

**Parameters** **action** (ActionType) –

**Returns** Tuple of *multitask observation*, *reward*, *done*, and *info*. For more information on *multitask observation* returned by the environment, refer [MultiTask Observation](#).

**Return type** StepReturnType

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#### mtenv.envs.tabular\_mdp package

##### Submodules

###### mtenv.envs.tabular\_mdp.setup module

###### mtenv.envs.tabular\_mdp.tmdp module

**class** mtenv.envs.tabular\_mdp.tmdp.TMDP (n\_states, n\_actions)  
Bases: [mtenv.core.MTEnv](#)

**Defines a Tabular MDP where task\_state is the reward matrix, transition matrix** reward\_matrix is n\_states\*n\_actions and gies the probability of having a reward = +1 when choosing action a in state s (matrix[s,a]) transition\_matrix is n\_states\*n\_actions\*n\_states and gives the probability of moving to state s' when choosing action a in state s (matrix[s,a,s'])

**Parameters** **MTEnv** ([type]) – [description]

Main class for multitask RL Environments.

This abstract class extends the OpenAI Gym environment and adds support for return the task-specific information from the environment. The observation returned from the single task environments is encoded as *env\_obs* (environment observation) while the task specific observation is encoded as the *task\_obs* (task observation). The observation returned by *mtenv* is a dictionary of *env\_obs* and *task\_obs*. Since this class extends the OpenAI gym, the *mtenv* API looks similar to the gym API.

```
import mtenv
env = mtenv.make('xxx')
env.reset()
```

Any multitask RL environment class should extend/implement this class.

#### Parameters

- **action\_space** (*Space*) –
- **env\_observation\_space** (*Space*) –
- **task\_observation\_space** (*Space*) –

#### **get\_task\_obs()**

Get the current value of task observation.

Environment returns task observation everytime we call *step* or *reset*. This function is useful when the user wants to access the task observation without acting in (or resetting) the environment.

#### >Returns

**Return type** TaskObsType

#### **get\_task\_state()**

Return all the information needed to execute the current task again.

This function is useful when we want to set the environment to a previous task.

**Returns** For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**Return type** TaskStateType

#### **reset()**

Reset the environment to some initial state and return the observation in the new state.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the environment seed is set (by calling *seed(int)*) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking *self.assert\_env\_seed\_is\_set()*.

**Returns** For more information on *multitask observation* returned by the environment, refer [Multitask Observation](#).

**Return type** ObsType

#### **sample\_task\_state()**

Sample a *task\_state*.

*task\_state* contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the task seed is set (by calling *seed(int)*) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking *self.assert\_task\_seed\_is\_set()*.

**Returns** For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**Return type** TaskStateType

#### **seed(env\_seed)**

Set the seed for the environment's random number generator.

Invoke *seed\_task* to set the seed for the task's random number generator.

**Parameters** **seed** (*Optional[int]*, *optional*) – Defaults to None.

**Returns** Returns the list of seeds used in the environment's random number generator. The first value in the list should be the seed that should be passed to this method for reproducibility.

**Return type** List[int]

**seed\_task** (*task\_seed*)

Set the seed for the task's random number generator.

Invoke *seed* to set the seed for the environment's random number generator.

**Parameters** **seed** (*Optional[int]*, *optional*) – Defaults to None.

**Returns** Returns the list of seeds used in the task's random number generator. The first value in the list should be the seed that should be passed to this method for reproducibility.

**Return type** List[int]

**set\_task\_state** (*task\_state*)

Reset the environment to a particular task.

*task\_state* contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.

**Parameters** **task\_state** (*TaskStateType*) – For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**step** (*action*)

Execute the action in the environment.

**Parameters** **action** (*ActionType*) –

**Returns** Tuple of *multitask observation*, *reward*, *done*, and *info*. For more information on *multitask observation* returned by the environment, refer [MultiTask Observation](#).

**Return type** StepReturnType

**class** mtenv.envs.tabular\_mdp.tmdp.UniformTMDP (*n\_states*, *n\_actions*)

Bases: [mtenv.envs.tabular\\_mdp.tmdp.TMDP](#)

Main class for multitask RL Environments.

This abstract class extends the OpenAI Gym environment and adds support for return the task-specific information from the environment. The observation returned from the single task environments is encoded as *env\_obs* (environment observation) while the task specific observation is encoded as the *task\_obs* (task observation). The observation returned by *mtenv* is a dictionary of *env\_obs* and *task\_obs*. Since this class extends the OpenAI gym, the *mtenv* API looks similar to the gym API.

```
import mtenv
env = mtenv.make('xxx')
env.reset()
```

Any multitask RL environment class should extend/implement this class.

**Parameters**

- **action\_space** (*Space*) –
- **env\_observation\_space** (*Space*) –
- **task\_observation\_space** (*Space*) –

**sample\_task\_state** ()

Sample a *task\_state*.

*task\_state* contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the task seed is set (by calling *seed(int)*) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking *self.assert\_task\_seed\_is\_set()*.

**Returns** For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**Return type** TaskStateType

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### Submodules

#### mtenv.envs.registration module

```
class mtenv.envs.registration.MultiEnvRegistry
    Bases: gym.envs.registration.EnvRegistry

    register(id: str, **kwargs: Any) → None

class mtenv.envs.registration.MultitaskEnvSpec(id: str, entry_point: Optional[str] = None, reward_threshold: Optional[int] = None, kwargs: Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None, nondeterministic: bool = False, max_episode_steps: Optional[int] = None, test_kwargs: Optional[Dict[str, Any]] = None)
    Bases: gym.envs.registration.EnvSpec
```

A specification for a particular instance of the environment. Used to register the parameters for official evaluations.

#### Parameters

- ***id*** (str) – The official environment ID
- ***entry\_point*** (*Optional*[str]) – The Python entrypoint of the environment class (e.g. module.name:Class)
- ***reward\_threshold*** (*Optional*[int]) – The reward threshold before the task is considered solved
- ***kwargs*** (*dict*) – The kwargs to pass to the environment class
- ***nondeterministic*** (*bool*) – Whether this environment is non-deterministic even after seeding
- ***max\_episode\_steps*** (*Optional*[int]) – The maximum number of steps that an episode can consist of
- ***test\_kwargs*** (*Optional*[*Dict*[str, Any]], *optional*) – Dictionary to specify parameters for automated testing. Defaults to None.

#### property ***kwargs***

```
mtenv.envs.registration.make(id: str, **kwargs: Any) → gym.core.Env
mtenv.envs.registration.register(id: str, **kwargs: Any) → None
mtenv.envs.registration.spec(id: str) → mtenv.envs.registration.MultitaskEnvSpec
```

## Module contents

### **mtenv.utils package**

#### Submodules

##### **mtenv.utils.seedng module**

```
mtenv.utils.seedng.np_random(seed: Optional[int]) → Tuple[numpy.random.mtrand.RandomState, int]  
Set the seed for numpy's random generator.
```

**Parameters** **seed** (*Optional[int]*) –

**Returns** Returns a tuple of random state and seed.

**Return type** Tuple[RandomState, int]

##### **mtenv.utils.setup\_utils module**

```
mtenv.utils.setup_utils.parse_dependency(filepath: pathlib.Path) → List[str]  
Parse python dependencies from a file.
```

The list of dependencies is used by *setup.py* files. Lines starting with “#” are ingored (useful for writing comments). In case the dependency is host using git, the url is parsed and modified to make suitable for *setup.py* files.

**Parameters** **filepath** (*Path*) –

**Returns** List of dependencies

**Return type** List[str]

### **mtenv.utils.types module**

#### Module contents

### **mtenv.wrappers package**

#### Submodules

##### **mtenv.wrappers.env\_to\_mtenv module**

Wrapper to convert an environment into multitask environment.

```
class mtenv.wrappers.env_to_mtenv.EnvToMTEnv(env: gym.core.Env,  
                                                 task_observation_space:  
                                                 gym.spaces.space.Space)  
Bases: mtenv.core.MTEnv
```

Wrapper to convert an environment into a multitask environment.

**Parameters**

- **env** (*Env*) – Environment to wrap over.

- **task\_observation\_space** (*Space*) – Task observation space for the resulting multitask environment.

**classmethod class\_name()** → str

**close()** → Any

Override close in your subclass to perform any necessary cleanup.

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

**get\_task\_obs()** → Union[str, int, float, numpy.ndarray]

Get the current value of task observation.

Environment returns task observation everytime we call *step* or *reset*. This function is useful when the user wants to access the task observation without acting in (or resetting) the environment.

#### Returns

**Return type** TaskObsType

**get\_task\_state()** → Any

Return all the information needed to execute the current task again.

This function is useful when we want to set the environment to a previous task.

**Returns** For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**Return type** TaskStateType

**render** (*mode: str = 'human'*, *\*\*kwargs: Dict[str, Any]*) → Any

Renders the environment.

**reset** (*\*\*kwargs: Dict[str, Any]*) → Dict[str, Union[numpy.ndarray, str, int, float]]

Reset the environment to some initial state and return the observation in the new state.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the environment seed is set (by calling *seed(int)*) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking *self.assert\_env\_seed\_is\_set()*.

**Returns** For more information on *multitask observation* returned by the environment, refer [Multitask Observation](#).

**Return type** ObsType

**reset\_task\_state()** → None

Sample a new task\_state and set the environment to that *task\_state*.

For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**sample\_task\_state()** → Any

Sample a *task\_state*.

*task\_state* contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the task seed is set (by calling *seed(int)*) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking *self.assert\_task\_seed\_is\_set()*.

**Returns** For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**Return type** TaskStateType

**seed** (*seed: Optional[int] = None*) → List[int]

Set the seed for the environment's random number generator.

Invoke *seed\_task* to set the seed for the task's random number generator.

**Parameters** **seed** (*Optional[int], optional*) – Defaults to None.

**Returns** Returns the list of seeds used in the environment's random number generator. The first value in the list should be the seed that should be passed to this method for reproducibility.

**Return type** List[int]

**set\_task\_state** (task\_state: Any) → None

Reset the environment to a particular task.

*task\_state* contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.

**Parameters** **task\_state** (TaskStateType) – For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**property spec**

**step** (action: Union[str, int, float, numpy.ndarray]) → Tuple[Dict[str, Union[numpy.ndarray, str, int, float]], float, bool, Dict[str, Any]]

Execute the action in the environment.

**Parameters** **action** (ActionType) –

**Returns** Tuple of *multitask observation*, *reward*, *done*, and *info*. For more information on *multitask observation* returned by the environment, refer [MultiTask Observation](#).

**Return type** StepReturnType

**property unwrapped**

Completely unwrap this env.

**Returns** The base non-wrapped gym.Env instance

**Return type** gym.Env

## mtenv.wrappers.multitask module

Wrapper to change the behaviour of an existing multitask environment.

**class** mtenv.wrappers.multitask.**MultiTask** (env: mtenv.core.MTEEnv)

Bases: [mtenv.core.MTEEnv](#)

Wrapper to change the behaviour of an existing multitask environment

**Parameters** **env** (MTEEnv) – Multitask environment to wrap over.

**assert\_env\_seed\_is\_set** () → None

Check that the env seed is set.

**assert\_task\_seed\_is\_set** () → None

Check that the task seed is set.

**get\_task\_obs** () → Union[str, int, float, numpy.ndarray]

Get the current value of task observation.

Environment returns task observation everytime we call *step* or *reset*. This function is useful when the user wants to access the task observation without acting in (or resetting) the environment.

**Returns**

**Return type** TaskObsType

**get\_task\_state** () → Any

Return all the information needed to execute the current task again.

This function is useful when we want to set the environment to a previous task.

**Returns** For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**Return type** TaskStateType

**reset ()** → Dict[str, Union[numpy.ndarray, str, int, float]]

Reset the environment to some initial state and return the observation in the new state.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the environment seed is set (by calling *seed(int)*) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking *self.assert\_env\_seed\_is\_set()*.

**Returns** For more information on *multitask observation* returned by the environment, refer [Multitask Observation](#).

**Return type** ObsType

**reset\_task\_state ()** → None

Sample a new task\_state and set the environment to that *task\_state*.

For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**sample\_task\_state ()** → Any

Sample a *task\_state*.

*task\_state* contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the task seed is set (by calling *seed(int)*) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking *self.assert\_task\_seed\_is\_set()*.

**Returns** For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**Return type** TaskStateType

**seed (seed: Optional[int] = None)** → List[int]

Set the seed for the environment's random number generator.

Invoke *seed\_task* to set the seed for the task's random number generator.

**Parameters** **seed** (Optional[int], optional) – Defaults to None.

**Returns** Returns the list of seeds used in the environment's random number generator. The first value in the list should be the seed that should be passed to this method for reproducibility.

**Return type** List[int]

**seed\_task (seed: Optional[int] = None)** → List[int]

Set the seed for the task's random number generator.

Invoke *seed* to set the seed for the environment's random number generator.

**Parameters** **seed** (Optional[int], optional) – Defaults to None.

**Returns** Returns the list of seeds used in the task's random number generator. The first value in the list should be the seed that should be passed to this method for reproducibility.

**Return type** List[int]

**set\_task\_state (task\_state: Any)** → None

Reset the environment to a particular task.

*task\_state* contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.

**Parameters** **task\_state** (TaskStateType) – For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**step (action: Union[str, int, float, numpy.ndarray])** → Tuple[Dict[str, Union[numpy.ndarray, str, int, float]], float, bool, Dict[str, Any]]

Execute the action in the environment.

**Parameters** `action` (`ActionType`) –

**Returns** Tuple of *multitask observation*, *reward*, *done*, and *info*. For more information on *multitask observation* returned by the environment, refer [MultiTask Observation](#).

**Return type** `StepReturnType`

## **mtenv.wrappers.ntasks module**

Wrapper to fix the number of tasks in an existing multitask environment.

**class** `mtenv.wrappers.ntasks.NTasks` (`env: mtenv.core.MTEnv, n_tasks: int`)  
Bases: `mtenv.wrappers.multitask.MultiTask`

Wrapper to fix the number of tasks in an existing multitask environment to *n\_tasks*.

Each task is sampled in this fixed set of *n\_tasks*.

### **Parameters**

- `env` (`MTEnv`) – Multitask environment to wrap over.
- `n_tasks` (`int`) – Number of tasks to sample.

`reset_task_state()` → None

Sample a new task\_state from the set of *n\_tasks* tasks and set the environment to that *task\_state*.

For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

`sample_task_state()` → Any

Sample a *task\_state* from the set of *n\_tasks* tasks.

*task\_state* contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the task seed is set (by calling `seed(int)`) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking `self.assert_task_seed_is_set()`.

**Returns** For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**Return type** `TaskStateType`

## **mtenv.wrappers.ntasks\_id module**

Wrapper to fix the number of tasks in an existing multitask environment and return the id of the task as part of the observation.

**class** `mtenv.wrappers.ntasks_id.NTasksId` (`env: mtenv.core.MTEnv, n_tasks: int`)  
Bases: `mtenv.wrappers.ntasks.NTasks`

Wrapper to fix the number of tasks in an existing multitask environment to *n\_tasks*.

Each task is sampled in this fixed set of *n\_tasks*. The agent observes the id of the task.

### **Parameters**

- `env` (`MTEnv`) – Multitask environment to wrap over.
- `n_tasks` (`int`) – Number of tasks to sample.

`get_task_obs()` → Any

Get the current value of task observation.

Environment returns task observation everytime we call *step* or *reset*. This function is useful when the user wants to access the task observation without acting in (or resetting) the environment.

### Returns

**Return type** TaskObsType

**get\_task\_state()** → Any

Return all the information needed to execute the current task again.

This function is useful when we want to set the environment to a previous task.

**Returns** For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**Return type** TaskStateType

**reset()** → Dict[str, Union[numpy.ndarray, str, int, float]]

Reset the environment to some initial state and return the observation in the new state.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the environment seed is set (by calling *seed(int)*) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking *self.assert\_env\_seed\_is\_set()*.

**Returns** For more information on *multitask observation* returned by the environment, refer [MultiTask Observation](#).

**Return type** ObsType

**sample\_task\_state()** → Any

Sample a *task\_state* from the set of *n\_tasks* tasks.

*task\_state* contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the task seed is set (by calling *seed(int)*) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking *self.assert\_task\_seed\_is\_set()*.

**Returns** For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**Return type** TaskStateType

**set\_task\_state(task\_state: Any)** → None

Reset the environment to a particular task.

*task\_state* contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.

**Parameters** **task\_state** (TaskStateType) – For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**step(action: Union[str, int, float, numpy.ndarray])** → Tuple[Dict[str, Union[numpy.ndarray, str, int, float]], float, bool, Dict[str, Any]]

Execute the action in the environment.

**Parameters** **action** (ActionType) –

**Returns** Tuple of *multitask observation*, *reward*, *done*, and *info*. For more information on *multitask observation* returned by the environment, refer [MultiTask Observation](#).

**Return type** StepReturnType

## **mtenv.wrappers.sample\_random\_task module**

Wrapper that samples a new task everytime the environment is reset.

**class** mtenv.wrappers.sample\_random\_task.**SampleRandomTask** (*env*: mtenv.core.MTEnv)

Bases: mtenv.wrappers.multitask.*Multitask*

Wrapper that samples a new task everytime the environment is reset.

**Parameters** **env** (MTEnv) – Multitask environment to wrap over.

**reset** () → Dict[str, Union[numpy.ndarray, str, int, float]]

Reset the environment to some initial state and return the observation in the new state.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the environment seed is set (by calling *seed(int)*) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking *self.assert\_env\_seed\_is\_set()*.

**Returns** For more information on *multitask observation* returned by the environment, refer [Multitask Observation](#).

**Return type** ObsType

## Module contents

### 4.1.2 Submodules

### 4.1.3 mtenv.core module

Core API of MultiTask Environments for Reinforcement Learning.

**class** mtenv.core.**MTEnv** (*action\_space*: gym.spaces.space.Space, *env\_observation\_space*: gym.spaces.space.Space, *task\_observation\_space*: gym.spaces.space.Space)

Bases: gym.core.Env, abc.ABC

Main class for multitask RL Environments.

This abstract class extends the OpenAI Gym environment and adds support for return the task-specific information from the environment. The observation returned from the single task environments is encoded as *env\_obs* (environment observation) while the task specific observation is encoded as the *task\_obs* (task observation). The observation returned by *mtenv* is a dictionary of *env\_obs* and *task\_obs*. Since this class extends the OpenAI gym, the *mtenv* API looks similar to the gym API.

```
import mtenv
env = mtenv.make('xxx')
env.reset()
```

Any multitask RL environment class should extend/implement this class.

#### Parameters

- **action\_space** (Space) –
- **env\_observation\_space** (Space) –
- **task\_observation\_space** (Space) –

**assert\_env\_seed\_is\_set** () → None

Check that seed (for the environment) is set.

*reset* function should invoke this function before resetting the environment (for reproducibility).

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**assert\_task\_seed\_is\_set()** → None

Check that seed (for the task) is set.

*sample\_task\_state* function should invoke this function before sampling a new task state (for reproducibility).

**get\_task\_obs()** → Union[str, int, float, numpy.ndarray]

Get the current value of task observation.

Environment returns task observation everytime we call *step* or *reset*. This function is useful when the user wants to access the task observation without acting in (or resetting) the environment.

#### Returns

**Return type** TaskObsType

**abstract get\_task\_state()** → Any

Return all the information needed to execute the current task again.

This function is useful when we want to set the environment to a previous task.

**Returns** For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**Return type** TaskStateType

**abstract reset()** → Dict[str, Union[numpy.ndarray, str, int, float]]

Reset the environment to some initial state and return the observation in the new state.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the environment seed is set (by calling *seed(int)*) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking *self.assert\_env\_seed\_is\_set()*.

**Returns** For more information on *multitask observation* returned by the environment, refer [Multitask Observation](#).

**Return type** ObsType

**reset\_task\_state()** → None

Sample a new task\_state and set the environment to that *task\_state*.

For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**abstract sample\_task\_state()** → Any

Sample a *task\_state*.

*task\_state* contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the task seed is set (by calling *seed(int)*) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking *self.assert\_task\_seed\_is\_set()*.

**Returns** For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**Return type** TaskStateType

**seed(seed: Optional[int] = None)** → List[int]

Set the seed for the environment's random number generator.

Invoke *seed\_task* to set the seed for the task's random number generator.

**Parameters** **seed**(*Optional[int]*, *optional*) – Defaults to None.

**Returns** Returns the list of seeds used in the environment's random number generator. The first value in the list should be the seed that should be passed to this method for reproducibility.

**Return type** List[int]

**seed\_task** (*seed: Optional[int] = None*) → List[int]

Set the seed for the task's random number generator.

Invoke *seed* to set the seed for the environment's random number generator.

**Parameters** **seed** (*Optional[int], optional*) – Defaults to None.

**Returns** Returns the list of seeds used in the task's random number generator. The first value in the list should be the seed that should be passed to this method for reproducibility.

**Return type** List[int]

**abstract set\_task\_state** (*task\_state: Any*) → None

Reset the environment to a particular task.

*task\_state* contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.

**Parameters** **task\_state** (*TaskStateType*) – For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**abstract step** (*action: Union[str, int, float, numpy.ndarray]*) → Tuple[Dict[str, Union[numpy.ndarray, str, int, float]], float, bool, Dict[str, Any]]

Execute the action in the environment.

**Parameters** **action** (*ActionType*) –

**Returns** Tuple of *multitask observation, reward, done*, and *info*. For more information on *multitask observation* returned by the environment, refer [MultiTask Observation](#).

**Return type** StepReturnType

#### 4.1.4 Module contents

```
class mtenv.MTEEnv(action_space: gym.spaces.space.Space, env_observation_space: gym.spaces.space.Space, task_observation_space: gym.spaces.space.Space)
```

Bases: gym.core.Env, abc.ABC

Main class for multitask RL Environments.

This abstract class extends the OpenAI Gym environment and adds support for return the task-specific information from the environment. The observation returned from the single task environments is encoded as *env\_obs* (environment observation) while the task specific observation is encoded as the *task\_obs* (task observation). The observation returned by *mtenv* is a dictionary of *env\_obs* and *task\_obs*. Since this class extends the OpenAI gym, the *mtenv* API looks similar to the gym API.

```
import mtenv
env = mtenv.make('xxx')
env.reset()
```

Any multitask RL environment class should extend/implement this class.

##### Parameters

- **action\_space** (*Space*) –
- **env\_observation\_space** (*Space*) –
- **task\_observation\_space** (*Space*) –

**assert\_env\_seed\_is\_set** () → None

Check that seed (for the environment) is set.

*reset* function should invoke this function before resetting the environment (for reproducibility).

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**assert\_task\_seed\_is\_set()** → None

Check that seed (for the task) is set.

*sample\_task\_state* function should invoke this function before sampling a new task state (for reproducibility).

**get\_task\_obs()** → Union[str, int, float, numpy.ndarray]

Get the current value of task observation.

Environment returns task observation everytime we call *step* or *reset*. This function is useful when the user wants to access the task observation without acting in (or resetting) the environment.

#### Returns

**Return type** TaskObsType

**abstract get\_task\_state()** → Any

Return all the information needed to execute the current task again.

This function is useful when we want to set the environment to a previous task.

**Returns** For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**Return type** TaskStateType

**abstract reset()** → Dict[str, Union[numpy.ndarray, str, int, float]]

Reset the environment to some initial state and return the observation in the new state.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the environment seed is set (by calling *seed(int)*) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking *self.assert\_env\_seed\_is\_set()*.

**Returns** For more information on *multitask observation* returned by the environment, refer [Multitask Observation](#).

**Return type** ObsType

**reset\_task\_state()** → None

Sample a new task\_state and set the environment to that *task\_state*.

For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**abstract sample\_task\_state()** → Any

Sample a *task\_state*.

*task\_state* contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.

The subclasses, extending this class, should ensure that the task seed is set (by calling *seed(int)*) before invoking this method (for reproducibility). It can be done by invoking *self.assert\_task\_seed\_is\_set()*.

**Returns** For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**Return type** TaskStateType

**seed(seed: Optional[int] = None)** → List[int]

Set the seed for the environment's random number generator.

Invoke *seed\_task* to set the seed for the task's random number generator.

**Parameters** **seed**(*Optional[int]*, *optional*) – Defaults to None.

**Returns** Returns the list of seeds used in the environment's random number generator. The first value in the list should be the seed that should be passed to this method for reproducibility.

**Return type** List[int]

**seed\_task** (*seed: Optional[int] = None*) → List[int]

Set the seed for the task's random number generator.

Invoke *seed* to set the seed for the environment's random number generator.

**Parameters** **seed** (*Optional[int], optional*) – Defaults to None.

**Returns** Returns the list of seeds used in the task's random number generator. The first value in the list should be the seed that should be passed to this method for reproducibility.

**Return type** List[int]

**abstract set\_task\_state** (*task\_state: Any*) → None

Reset the environment to a particular task.

*task\_state* contains all the information that the environment needs to switch to any other task.

**Parameters** **task\_state** (*TaskStateType*) – For more information on *task\_state*, refer [Task State](#).

**abstract step** (*action: Union[str, int, float, numpy.ndarray]*) → Tuple[Dict[str,

*Union[numpy.ndarray, str, int, float]], float, bool, Dict[str, Any]]*

Execute the action in the environment.

**Parameters** **action** (*ActionType*) –

**Returns** Tuple of *multitask observation, reward, done*, and *info*. For more information on *multitask observation* returned by the environment, refer [MultiTask Observation](#).

**Return type** StepReturnType

mtenv.**make** (*id: str, \*\*kwargs: Any*) → gym.core.Env

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