

Detour: Q-Value Iteration

- Value iteration: find successive (depth-limited) values
 - Start with $V_0(s) = 0$, which we know is right
 - Given V_k , calculate the depth $k+1$ values for all states:

$$V_{k+1}(s) \leftarrow \max_a \sum_{s'} T(s, a, s') [R(s, a, s') + \gamma V_k(s')]$$

- But Q-values are more useful, so compute them instead
 - Start with $Q_0(s,a) = 0$, which we know is right
 - Given Q_k , calculate the depth $k+1$ q-values for all q-states:

$$Q_{k+1}(s, a) \leftarrow \sum_{s'} T(s, a, s') [R(s, a, s') + \gamma \max_{a'} Q_k(s', a')]$$

