

# Z-learning in problems of energy systems

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# Problem of energy ensemble

## Goal of research

We want to solve the problem in energy. For our problem there are classic methods for solving. We want to try not such known modifications and see how they will work compared to conventional methods.

## Problem

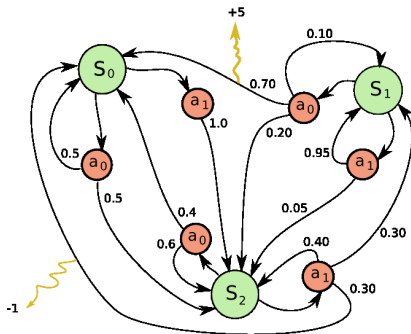
The problem occurs when the ensemble of devices for some reason turns out to be in an abnormal state. The challenge is to transfer devices to their normal state, using as less extra energy.

## Method

We propose to use the classic Q-learning and its linear modification Z - learning.

# Representation of energy system

$(S, A, P, R)$



**S** — state in which devices can operate  
**A** — actions  
 $P$  — all kinds of transition matrix (the desired matrix is selected depending on the action)  
**R** — "reward" for the transition

Picture from <https://ru.wikipedia.org>

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$$\min_{\rho, \bar{\rho}} \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \sum_j \rho_j(t) \left( \sum_i p_{ij}(t) \left( U_i(t+1) + \gamma_{ij} \log \frac{p_{ij}}{\bar{p}_{ij}} \right) \right) \quad (1)$$

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_i p_{ij}(t) = 1, \quad \forall t, \quad \forall j \quad (2)$$

$$\rho_i(t+1) = \sum_j p_{ij}(t) \rho_j(t) = 1, \quad \forall t, \quad \forall i \quad (3)$$

$$\text{initial conditions: } \rho_i(0), \quad \forall i \quad (4)$$

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**Algorithm 1** Z - learning

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1: Initialize:  $Z$ 
2: Input:  $\mathfrak{G} = (i_k, j_k, u_k)$ 
3: for  $t = 0, 1, 2, \dots, k - 1$ 
4:    $Z(s_k) := (1 - \alpha_t)Z(i_k) + \alpha_k \exp(-u_k)Z(j_k)$ 
5: return  $Z$ 
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**Algorithm 3** Q - learning

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1: Initialize:  $Q$ 
2: Input:  $\mathfrak{G} = (i_k, j_k, u_k)$ 
3: for  $t = 0, 1, 2, \dots, k - 1$ 
4:    $Q(i_k, p_k) := (1 - \alpha_k)Q(i_k, p_k) + \alpha_k \min_{p'}(l_k + Q(j_k, p'))$ 
5: return  $Q$ 
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# Results

