## **Artificial Intelligence Lab 10: Value Iteration**

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- Q1) [Chain MDP] The state is given by s=(x,y). There are 2 actions from each state namely  $A=\{left,right\}$ . Each action is successful with probability p, and the other action is made with probability 1-p. There are two terminal states  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  (once in terminal state, the agent is stuck there forever). The reward in the L state is -1 and R state is +1, and every other state it is 0.
  - 1. Generate the chain environment. It should take the following inputs: length of chain and output the model i.e., the reward and transition probabilities (for a given state and action). [25 Marks]
  - 2. Implement the Bellman operator. It takes input as V and outputs TV. [15 Marks]
  - 3. Perform value iteration and output the optimal value function and optimal policy. Start with various values  $V_0$  and plot  $||V_t V_*||_{\infty}$ . [10 Marks]
- Q2) [Grid MDP] The state is given by s=(x,y). There are 4 actions from each state namely  $A=\{up,down,left,right\}$ . Each action is successful with probability p, and with probability  $\frac{1-p}{3}$  other 3 actions are chosen.
  - 1. Generate a grid environment. It should take the following inputs: x-size, y-size, goal state, blocked states, and outputs the model, i.e., the reward and transition probabilities (for a given state and action). [20 Marks]
  - 2. Perform value iteration and output the optimal value function and optimal policy. [10 Marks]
- Q3) [Mountain Car: Deterministic Control] There is an under-powered car stuck in the bottom of a 1-dim valley. It needs to find its way to the top. The car has three actions namely A=-1,0,+1 which means accelerate backward, no acceleration and accelerate forward respectively. The ranges for position and velocity are [-1.2,0.5] and [-0.07,0.07] respectively. The car is needs to reach the top on the right, i.e., position of 0.5. The dynamics is according to the equations:

$$v_{t+1} = v_t + 0.001a_t - 0.0025cos(3p_t)$$
  

$$p_{t+1} = p_t + v_t$$
(1)

1. Perform value iteration and output the optimal value function and optimal policy. [20 Marks] (Hint: Discretise the state space into  $100 \times 100$  grid (i.e., divide the position and velocity co-ordinates into 100 intervals each.)



