

Infinite Horizon MDP

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1 The optimality equation

L'équation d'optimalité : $V^*(s) = max(R(s,a) + \gamma * \sum P(s'|s,a) * V^*(s'))$

$$V^*(0) = max(10 + \gamma * V^*(1), 1 + \gamma * V^*(0))$$

$$\mathbf{V^*}(1) = \max(0 + \gamma * \mathbf{V^*}(1), \, -15 + \gamma * \mathbf{V^*}(0))$$

pour $\gamma = 0$:

$$V^*(0) = 10 + \gamma * V^*(1) \Rightarrow V^*(0) = 10$$

$$V^*(1) = 0 + \gamma * V^*(1) \Rightarrow V^*(1) = 0$$

pour $\gamma = 1$:

$$V^*(0) = 1 + \gamma * V^*(0) \Rightarrow V^*(0) = \frac{1}{1-\gamma}$$

$$V^*(1) = -15 + \gamma * V^*(0) \Rightarrow V^*(1) = -15 + \frac{\gamma}{1-\gamma}$$

Résolution analytique

$$10 = \left(\frac{1}{1-\gamma}\right) \Rightarrow \gamma = 0.9$$

$$0 = -15 + \left(\frac{\gamma}{1-\gamma}\right) \Rightarrow \gamma = 0.9375$$

2 Solving the equation by value iteration

The python code that uses the value iteration:

```
+ Code + Texte
\underset{0.s}{\checkmark} [35] 1 import numpy as np
         3 # This is the function that solves the optimality equation through value iteration.
         4 def iterative_value_evaluation (P, R, discount_factor, epsilon=1e-4):
        5 # Initialize value function V
         6 V = np. zeros (n_states)
        8 # Value iteration
        9 while True:
        10
              V_prev = V. copy ()
            for s in range(n_states):
        11
                 V[s] = max([R[s,a] + discount_factor * np. sum(P[s, :] * V_prev) for a in range(n_states)])
        12
             if np.abs(V - V_prev).max() < epsilon :</pre>
        13
        14
        15
        # Calculate optimal policy
        policy = np.zeros (n_states, dtype=int)
        18
        19 for s in range(n_states):
        20
                policy[s] = np. argmax( [R[s, a] + discount_factor * np.sum(P[s, :] * V) for a in range(n_states)])
        21
        22 return(V,policy)
✓ [37] 1 # Number of states
        2 n_states = 2
        4 # Number of actions
        5 n_actions = 2
        7 # Transition matrix
         8 P = np.array ( [[0, 1], [0.9, 0.1]])
        10 # Reward matrix
        11 R = np. array ( [[10, 1], [-15, 0]])
        12 # Test the function
        13 for discount_factor in [0, 0.9, 0.999]:
               V, policy = iterative_value_evaluation (P, R, discount_factor, epsilon=1e-4)
       14
       15
                print(f"Discount Factor = {discount_factor}: Optimal Policy = {policy}, Values = {V}")
        16
```

Figure 1: A screenshot of our code on python

The results we get:

```
Discount Factor = 0: Optimal Policy = [0 1], Values = [10. 0.]
Discount Factor = 0.9: Optimal Policy = [0 1], Values = [50.27541761 44.75055573]
Discount Factor = 0.999: Optimal Policy = [0 1], Values = [4739.51366834 4734.24801619]
```

Figure 2: A screenshot of the result we get when running the python code

3 Find the optimal policy by Policy Iteration

We implemented this Python code that uses iteration policy to find the optimal policy for different values of γ

```
✓ [77] 1 import numpy as np
         3 # Number of states
         4 n_states = 2
         6 # Number of actions
         7 n_actions = 2
         9 # Transition matrix
        10 P = np.array([[10, 1], [0.9, 0.1]])
        12 # Reward matrix
        13 R = np.array([[10, 1], [-15, 0]])
        15 # Function that evaluates a policy using value iteration.
        16 def iterative_policy_evaluation(P, R, gamma, epsilon=1e-4):
              # Initialization of V
        17
             V = np.zeros(n_states)
        19
        20
             # Value iteration
              while True:
        21
        22
                  V_prev = V.copy()
                  for s in range(n_states):
        23
                    V[s] = sum([policy[s] * (R[s, a] + gamma * np.dot(P[:, s, a], V_prev)) for a in range(n_actions)])
                  if np.abs(V - V_prev).max() < epsilon:</pre>
        26
                      break
        27
              return V
        29 def iterative_policy_improvement(P, R, V, gamma):
             # Function that improves a policy using policy iteration
        30
               # Initialization of the policy
        31
        32
              policy = np.zeros(n_states, dtype=int)
        34
              # Policy improvement
        35
              for s in range(n_states):
                  policy[s] = np.argmax([R[s, a] + gamma * np.dot(P[:, s, a], V)] for a in range(n_states))
        36
        37
               return policy
```

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38
39
40 def iterative_policy_iteration(P, R, gamma, epsilon=1e-4):
      # Function that improves a policy using policy iteration
42 # Initialization of the policy
43
      policy = np.zeros(n_states, dtype=int)
44
45
      # Policy iteration
    while True:
46
        # Policy evaluation
47
48
          V = iterative_policy_evaluation(P, R, gamma, epsilon)
49
50
          # Policy improvement
          policy_prev = policy.copy()
51
          policy = iterative_policy_improvement(P, R, V, gamma)
54
          # Stop if the policy converges
55
          if (policy == policy_prev).all():
56
              break
57
      return V, policy
58
```

Figure 3: A screenshot of the python code