



Lecture 03: Monte Carlo Methods

83 plays · 132 players





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Questions (7)

1 - Quiz

For Monte-Carlo Policy Evaluation, we have to...





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-  update only the first time-step that a state is visited. ✗
-  update every time-step that a state is visited. ✗
-  store all returns, we ever observed. ✗
-  use the empirical mean return instead of expected return. ✓

2 - Quiz

Compared to Policy Evaluation, Monte Carlo evaluation...


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-  returns a more accurate value-function. ✗
-  converges faster. ✗
-  does not require a model. ✓
-  needs less exploration in the real world. ✗

3 - True or false

When MC eval. sees each state infinitely often, it converges to the true value-function ind. from the learning rate.

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-  True ✗
-  False ✓

4 - Quiz

If we base our improvement on $Q(s, a)$, we...

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... don't need transition and reward probabilities.



... can ignore exploration.



5 - True or false

MC methods can only be used in on-policy settings.

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True



False



6 - True or false

The IS ratio for MC control only needs to take the current time step of the updated state into account.

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True



False



7 - True or false

By adding the IS ratio, bias and variance are reduced to make learning off-policy possible.

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True



False

