

# Nanoquiz Week 9

The questions below are due on Thursday April 12, 2018; 09:50:00 AM.

## Nanoquiz Instructions

Nanoquizzes are just like any other tutor exercise, except that they are timed, and that some questions allow a limited number of submissions. When the timer hits zero, you will be prevented from making any further submissions to the nanoquiz, and the answers will be displayed, so **please make sure you have submitted something before that occurs**.

Note that you are free to use any materials you want (electronic or otherwise, including notes, calculators, Python, and Wikipedia) during the nanoquiz, but you are **not** allowed to converse with other humans (including through text message, email, etc).

## Nanoquiz

### 1) STATE MACHINES

For the following state machine, provide the output sequence given the input sequence:

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s0 = (1, 1)
f(s, i) = (s[0] * s[1], s[1] + i)
g(s) = s[0]
Input: [0, 1, 2, 3]
```

Enter a Python list of four numbers.

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### 2) MDP

Consider an MDP with three states, called 0, 1 and 2, arranged in a loop. There are two actions available in each state:

- Move: with probability 0.8, moves to the next state in the loop and with probability 0.2 stays in the same state.
- Stay: with probability 1.0 stays in the state.

The transition function for each action  $x$  is below, where  $T(i, x, j)$  is the  $P(s_{t+1} = j | a = x, s_t = i)$ .

$$T(s_t, \text{Move}, s_{t+1}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.8 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.2 & 0.8 \\ 0.8 & 0.0 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T(s_t, \text{Stay}, s_{t+1}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 1.0 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 & 1.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$R(2, \text{Stay}) = 1$  and all the other rewards are 0.

Assume that the discount factor is 0.9, that is,  $\gamma = 0.9$ .

Show the successive estimates of  $Q * (s, a)$  generated by Q-value iteration in the form of six numbers  $[Q(0, \text{Move}), Q(0, \text{Stay}), Q(1, \text{Move}), Q(1, \text{Stay}), Q(2, \text{Move}), Q(2, \text{Stay})]$

1)

Q at iteration 0:

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2)

Q at iteration 1:

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3)

Q at iteration 2:

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4)

Which  $Q(s,a)$  entries, if any, are identically equal to 0 at the end of iteration 3? Enter a list of indices from 0 to 5; the list can be empty.

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