



Implementation: MC Control: GLIE

The pseudocode for (first-visit) GLIE MC control can be found below. *(Feel free to implement either the first-visit or every-visit MC method. In the game of Blackjack, both the first-visit and every-visit methods return identical results.)*

GLIE MC Control

Input: positive integer $num_episodes$
Output: policy π ($\approx \pi_*$ if $num_episodes$ is large enough)
 Initialize $Q(s, a) = 0$ for all $s \in \mathcal{S}$ and $a \in \mathcal{A}(s)$
 Initialize $N(s, a) = 0$ for all $s \in \mathcal{S}, a \in \mathcal{A}(s)$
for $i \leftarrow 1$ **to** $num_episodes$ **do**
 $\epsilon \leftarrow \frac{1}{i}$
 $\pi \leftarrow \epsilon\text{-greedy}(Q)$
 Generate an episode $S_0, A_0, R_1, \dots, S_T$ using π
 for $t \leftarrow 0$ **to** $T - 1$ **do**
 if (S_t, A_t) is a first visit (with return G_t) **then**
 $N(S_t, A_t) \leftarrow N(S_t, A_t) + 1$
 $Q(S_t, A_t) \leftarrow Q(S_t, A_t) + \frac{1}{N(S_t, A_t)}(G_t - Q(S_t, A_t))$
 end
 end
end
return π

Please use the next concept to complete **Part 3: MC Control: GLIE** of [Monte_Carlo.ipynb](#). Remember to save your work!

If you'd like to reference the pseudocode while working on the notebook, you are encouraged to open [this sheet](#) in a new window.

Feel free to check your solution by looking at the corresponding section in [Monte_Carlo_Solution.ipynb](#).

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