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CSCI E-89c Deep Reinforcement Learning

PART I OF ASSIGNMENT 1

Suppose we run an  $\varepsilon$ -greedy algorithm for the k-armed Bandit problem, where  $\varepsilon \in (0,1)$ . Assuming  $q_*(a_1) \neq q_*(a_2)$  for all  $a_1 \neq a_2$ , where  $a_1, a_2 \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ , please express

$$\lim_{t\to\infty} \mathbf{E}\left[R_t\right]$$

in terms of  $\varepsilon$  and  $q_*(a)$ ,  $a \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ .

SOLUTION:

$$\sum_{i=a}^{k} q_*(a) P(A_t = a) \varepsilon + (1 - \varepsilon) \operatorname{argmax}(A) q_*(a)$$