

# Reinforcement Learning, Tutorial 04

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# Outline

1. Announcements

2. Solutions Discussion

3. Outlook

# Announcements

- ▶ Exercise sheet not graded yet
- ▶ Next exercise sheet is available

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- ▶ We want this session to be more interactive, so I will ask for volunteers to present their solutions
- ▶ Solutions presented do not have to be perfect, use the chance to get feedback directly on what you did!

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**Task:** Advantages of Monte Carlo methods over dynamic programming?

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1. No model required
2. Can be used with simulations
3. Can focus on small subset of the state space
4. Less harmed to violations of the Markov property

## 1b

**Task:** Example environment where it could perform better?



## 2

**Task:** Implement Monte Carlo for Blackjack

- a) First-visit Monte Carlo prediction
- b) Monte Carlo ES

## 2b

Optimal policy:

	A	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
21	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
20	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
19	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
18	H	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	H	H
17	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H
16	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H
15	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H
14	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H
13	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H
12	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H

usable ace

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20	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
19	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
18	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
17	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
16	H	S	S	S	S	S	H	H	H	H
15	H	S	S	S	S	S	H	H	H	H
14	H	S	S	S	S	S	H	H	H	H
13	H	S	S	S	S	S	H	H	H	H
12	H	H	H	S	S	S	H	H	H	H

no usable ace

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- ▶ Next exercise sheet available
- ▶ It is about TD methods
- ▶ Programming part is again on the FrozenLake environment
- ▶ Sourcecode on github  
`https://github.com/humans-to-robots-motion/rl-course`