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States set = $\{S, 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, W\}$

Transition matrix \Rightarrow

$P =$

	S	1	3	5	6	7	8	W
S	0	0.25	0.25	0	0	0.25	0.25	0
1	0	0	0.25	0.25	0	0.25	0.25	0
3	0	0	0	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0
5	0	0.25	0	0	0.25	0.25	0.25	0
6	0	0	0.25	0	0	0.25	0.25	0.25
7	0	0	0.25	0	0	0.25	0.25	0.25
8	0	0	0.25	0	0	0	0.5	0.25
W	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1

② b

$$R(s) = \begin{cases} -1 & s \in \{S, 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8\} \\ 0 & s = W \end{cases}$$

Discount factor $\gamma = 1$

we want to calculate the no. of throws required from states except W to reach W.

Therefore taking states $k \in \{S, 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$

$$R = [-1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1]^T$$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} P & B \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$$

$$V = (I - \gamma P)^{-1} R =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -7.118 \\ -7.050 \\ -6.711 \\ -6.77 \\ -5.35 \\ -5.35 \\ -5.35 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$P^{\pi_1} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} A & B & C & D \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} A \\ B \\ C \\ D \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0.9 & 0.1 & 0 \\ 0.1 & 0 & 0 & 0.9 \\ 0.9 & 0 & 0 & 0.1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$P^{\pi_2} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} A & B & C & D \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} A \\ B \\ C \\ D \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0.1 & 0.9 & 0 \\ 0.9 & 0 & 0 & 0.1 \\ 0.1 & 0 & 0 & 0.9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$P^{\pi_3} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} A & B & C & D \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} A \\ B \\ C \\ D \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0.42 & 0.58 & 0 \\ 0.1 & 0 & 0 & 0.9 \\ 0.1 & 0 & 0 & 0.9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$R = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} a_1 & a_2 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} A \\ B \\ C \\ D \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} -10 & -10 \\ -10 & -10 \\ -10 & -10 \\ 100 & 100 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

$$\gamma = 1$$

$$V^{\pi_1} = (I - \gamma P^{\pi_1})^{-1} R = \begin{bmatrix} -24.39 & -24.39 \\ -12.43 & -12.43 \\ -31.95 & -31.95 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$V^{\pi_2} = (I - \gamma P^{\pi_2})^{-1} R = \begin{bmatrix} -24.39 & -24.39 \\ -12.43 & -12.43 \\ -31.95 & -31.95 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$V^{\pi_3} = \begin{bmatrix} -22 & -22 & -22 & -22 \\ -12 & -22 & -12 & -22 \\ -12 & -22 & -12 & -22 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b)

π_3 is the best policy because all the individual elements / ~~reward~~ values in value matrix with respect to V^{π_1} and V^{π_2} of V^{π_3} is highest.

(c)

No, because if many policy π_1 and π_2 ~~to any two values~~

$$V^{\pi_1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 \\ 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \quad V^{\pi_2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8 \\ 0.7 \end{bmatrix}$$

then $V^{\pi_1}[1] > V^{\pi_2}[1]$

$$V^{\pi_2}[2] < V^{\pi_1}[2]$$

then this two policy are not comparable

(d)

We will take values functions value

corresponding to each policy π_1 and π_2

then we will pick maximum value actions corresponding to each state from

policy π_1 and π_2 and create a new

policy π with this actions (maximum value)

for each state (can have mixture of actions as well)

(This will be similar for the question ~~the~~ MDP π_2 as we have different actions for different states)



(4) (a) for policy π_1 , the agent is preferring close exit and risk the cliff. which means the agent is short sighted that means r will be low (0.1) and not giving importance to future (distant). We will be putting noise η to be zero in the environment so that there is no danger of tripping of the cliff.

for π_3 , the agent is preferring close exit and not risk the cliff. which means the agent is short sighted taking r to be low (0.1) and the noise η to be ~~0.5~~ more (0.5) in the environment so that there is danger of tripping in the cliff.

for π_2 , the agent is preferring ~~close~~ distant exit and risk the cliff. which means the agent is far sighted taking r to be high (0.9) and the noise η to be low (~~0.1~~ 0) in the environment so that the danger of the tripping is none.

for π_4 , the agent is preferring distant exit and not risk the cliff. which means the agent is far sighted taking r to be

high (o's) and the noise to be more (o's) in the environment so that the danger of trapping is exists.

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$$Q_1^\pi(s, a) = \mathbb{E}_\pi \left[e'_{t+1} + \gamma e'_{t+2} \dots \mid s_t = s, a_t = a \right]$$

$$Q_2^\pi(s, a) = \mathbb{E}_\pi \left[e^2_{t+1} + \gamma e^2_{t+2} \dots \mid s_t = s, a_t = a \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow Q_1^\pi(s, a) + Q_2^\pi(s, a)$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{E}_\pi \left[e'_{t+1} + \gamma e'_{t+2} \dots \mid s_t = s, a_t = a \right] + \mathbb{E}_\pi \left[e^2_{t+1} + \gamma e^2_{t+2} \dots \mid s_t = s, a_t = a \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{E}_\pi \left[(e'_{t+1} + e'_{t+2}) + \gamma (e'_{t+1} + e^2_{t+2}) \dots \mid s_t = s, a_t = a \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{E}_\pi \left[Q_3^\pi(s, a) \right]$$

$$Q_3^\pi(s, a) = Q_2^\pi(s, a) + Q_1^\pi(s, a)$$

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from a

$$V_3^\pi(s, a) = V_1^\pi(s, a) + V_2^\pi(s, a)$$

when π^* is the optimal policy for ~~$Q_1(s,a)$ and Q~~ MDP M_1 and M_2 then we can say that M_3 will have π^* as the optimal policy

(d)

$$V_1^\pi(s) = \mathbb{E}_\pi \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \gamma^k r'_{t+k+1} \right)$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_\pi \left[\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \gamma^k (r^2_{t+k+1} + \epsilon) \right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_\pi \left[\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \gamma^k r^2_{t+k+1} \right] + \mathbb{E}_\pi \left[\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \gamma^k \epsilon \right]$$

$$V_1^\pi(s) = V_2^\pi(s) + \frac{\epsilon}{1-\gamma}$$

(b)

It's not possible to do so by comparing π_1^* and π_2^* because the rewards for the optimal policies may be totally different and the optimal policy to be obtained ~~with~~ for π_2^* will have totally different reward sums.

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State space = $\{0, 1, \dots, N\}$

= No. of machines working

Action = [Repair, No repair]

Repairing
will be
done

Repairing
will not be
done

Rewards = $\begin{cases} K - \frac{N}{2} \\ K \end{cases}$ (Repairing was done with K working machines)
(working machines count)

Transition

Probability

Transition probability
matrix with
no repair action

$$\Rightarrow \begin{matrix} & 0 & 1 & 2 & \dots & N-1 & N \end{matrix} \left[\begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ N-1 & \frac{1}{N} & \frac{1}{N} & \frac{1}{N} & \dots & \frac{1}{N} & 0 \\ N & \frac{1}{N+1} & \frac{1}{N+1} & \frac{1}{N+1} & \dots & \frac{1}{N+1} & \frac{1}{N+1} \end{matrix} \right]$$

Transition matrix
with repair action

$$\Rightarrow \begin{matrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ \vdots \\ N-1 \\ N \end{matrix} \left[\begin{matrix} 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 1 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 1 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ N-1 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 1 \\ N & \dots & \dots & \dots & 1 \end{matrix} \right]$$

⑥ We are going to use discounted setting with $r < 1$ as we don't have any absorbing states (can be thought as infinite horizon problem)

②

$$\begin{array}{c}
 0 \quad 1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad 4 \quad 5 \\
 \begin{array}{c}
 0 \\
 1 \\
 2 \\
 3 \\
 4 \\
 5
 \end{array}
 \left[\begin{array}{cccccc}
 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
 \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & 0 & 0 \\
 \frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{5} & \frac{1}{5} & 0 \\
 \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6}
 \end{array} \right]
 \end{array}$$

$$V = (I - \gamma P)^{-1} R$$

$$R = [0 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4 \ 5]^T$$

$\pi =$ no repeat policy is chosen

$$V^\pi = [0 \ 1.904 \ 3.783 \ 5.706 \ 7.61 \ 9.302]^T$$