

### Question 3 : Exercise 3.15

In the given gridworld example, the signs aren't important but their magnitude difference is what matters.

We need to have higher values for goals as compared to edges and rest so that the agent learns to favor this goal state in order to maximize the overall reward.

Similarly, running to the edge should have the least value and stationary should be somewhere in between.

$$\begin{aligned} V_{\pi}(S) &= E_{\pi} [r_t | S_t = S] \\ &= E_{\pi} [R_{t+1} + \gamma R_{t+2} + \gamma^2 R_{t+3} \dots | S_t = S] \end{aligned}$$



Adding a constant 'c' to every reward gives

$$V_{\pi}^{\text{new}}(S) = E_{\pi} [R_{t+1} + c + V(R_{t+2} + c) + V^2(R_{t+3} + c) + \dots \infty | S_t = S]$$

$$= E_{\pi} [(R_{t+1} + V R_{t+2} + \dots + c + V c + \dots) | S_t = S]$$

$$= E_{\pi} [(R_{t+1} + V R_{t+2} + V^2 R_{t+3} + \dots) | S_t = S]$$

$$+ E_{\pi} [c + V c + V^2 c + \dots | S_t = S]$$

(Using linearity of expectation)

$$= E_{\pi} [R_t | S_t = S] + E_{\pi} [c(1 + V + V^2 + \dots) | S_t = S]$$

$$= V_{\pi}(S) + E_{\pi} [c(1 + V + V^2 + \dots) | S_t = S]$$

We can know that 'c' and gammas are constant, so we can take it out of the expectation.

$$V_{\pi}^{\text{new}}(S) = V_{\pi}(S) + c \times \frac{1}{(1-V)} \quad \left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{Sum to} \\ \text{infinity} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\boxed{V_{\pi}^{\text{new}}(S) = V_{\pi}(S) + W_c} \quad \left[ W_c = \frac{c}{1-V} \right]$$

Hence, proved,



### Question 3: Exercise 3.16

Solving like the previous question, we get

$$V_A^{\text{new}}(s) = E_A \left[ R_{j+1} + V R_{j+2} + \dots + V^{j-k} R_T \mid S_j = s \right]$$

$$+ E_A [C + V C + \dots + V^{j-k} C \mid S_j = s]$$

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$$V_A^{\text{new}}(s) = W_A(s) + E_A [C + V C + \dots + V^{j-k} C \mid S_j = s]$$

Here the sum is not till infinity but only till  $T$ .

$$E_A [C + V C + \dots + V^{j-k} C \mid S_j = s] = C(1 + V + V^2 + \dots + V^{j-k})$$

There are  $(T - j - 1)$  terms.

$$C \left( \frac{1 - V^{T-j}}{1 - V} \right)$$

$$\therefore W_A^{\text{new}}(s) = W_A(s) + C \left( \frac{1 - V^{T-j}}{1 - V} \right)$$

Here, we can see that  $W_c$

depends on a random variable  $T$ .

However, this will not affect the  $V_s$  in one particular episode because  $\frac{1}{T}$  is constant for that episode.

$$\therefore V_c = c \left( \frac{1 - V^{T-d}}{1 - V} \right)$$

### Question 5

We know that

$$V^*(s) = \max_a Q^*(s, a) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

At any state, the optimal value function will be the optimal action value function.



$$v^*(s) = \max_a \sum_{s'} h(s'|s, a) \cdot [E[r|s, a, s'] + V v^*(s')]$$

$x_1 \rightarrow x_2 \rightarrow x_3 \rightarrow 0$

~~From~~ From (1), we have

$$v^*(s) = \max_a \sum_{s'} h(s'|s, a) [E[r|s, a, s'] + V \max_{a'} q^*(s', a')]$$

### Question 1: 3.4

In the table, value of  $h(s'|s, a)$  is mentioned. We need to find the value of  $h(s', r|s, a)$ .

We know that

$$h(r, s'|a, s) = h(s'|s, a) \times h(r|s', a, s)$$

$$E[r|s, a, s'] = \sum_r r \times h(r|s', a, s)$$

This can be done as follows, when  $s = \text{low}$ , and  $a = \text{action search}$ , and next ~~states~~  $s' = 1$ , we can have two rewards, 1 and 0, so we will have to take expectation over both of these.



$s$	$a$	$s'$	$r$	$h(s', r   s, a)$
high	search	high	0	$\alpha(1 - r_{\text{search}})$
high	search	high	1	$\alpha r_{\text{search}}$
high	search	low	0	$(1 - \alpha)(1 - r_{\text{search}})$
high	search	low	1	$(1 - \alpha) r_{\text{search}}$
high	wait	high	0	$1 - r_{\text{wait}}$
high	wait	high	1	$r_{\text{wait}}$
low	search	high	-3	$1 - \beta$
low	search	<del>high</del> low	0	$\beta(1 - r_{\text{search}})$
low	search	low	1	$\beta r_{\text{search}}$
low	wait	low	1	$r_{\text{wait}}$
low	wait	low	0	$1 - r_{\text{wait}}$
low	recharge	high	0	1