

The basic premise is that you teach the algorithm to take certain actions based on prior experience by rewarding or punishing actions.

actions that lead to less reward are shunned / looked down upon.

Very bad!

So, how it does that

3	4	100	5
0	0	0	100
0	0	90	100
0	1	2	0

If this is not punishing actions, I don't know what is.

Exploration

from state 2 and 4,
goes to state 5,
very rewarding. (100)

Now, from state 2, say
take left action (to state 1)
get immediate reward, 0,
 $0 + 0.9 \cdot \text{biggest reward available from any action in state 1}$

$$0 + 0.9 \cdot 100$$

90

Exploitation

Just use whatever learned. (Record is kept track in q-table), use that stuff.