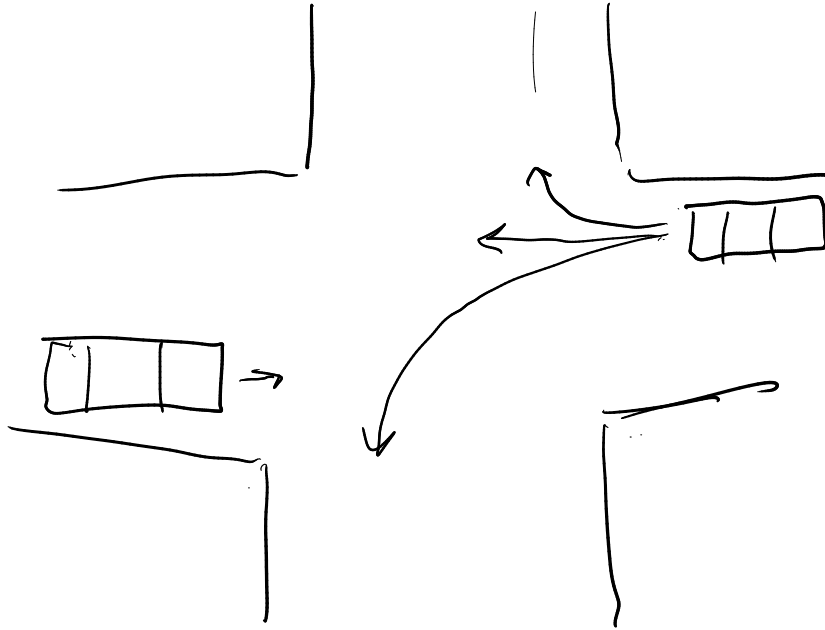


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`s = observe(env)`



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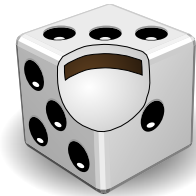


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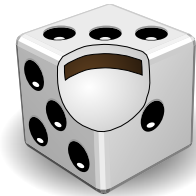


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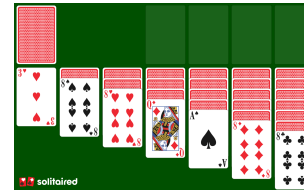
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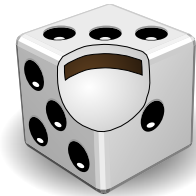


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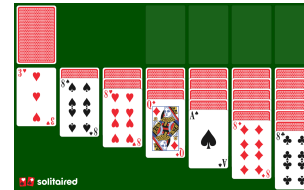
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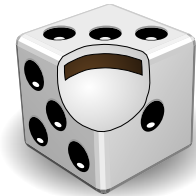
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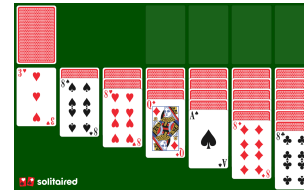
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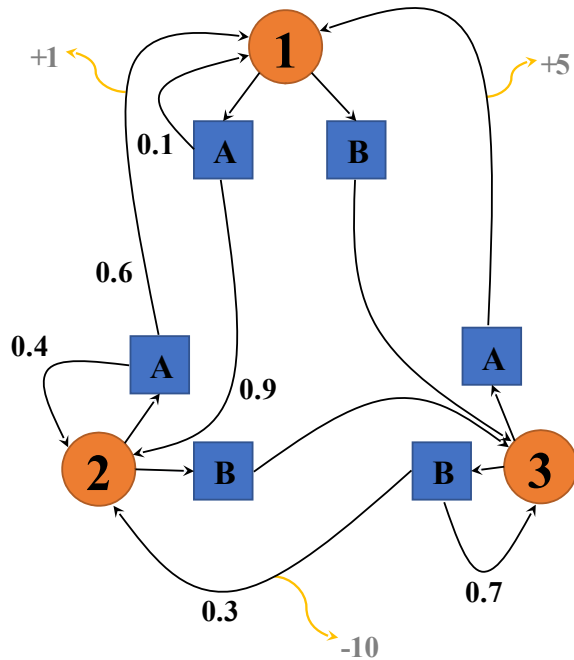
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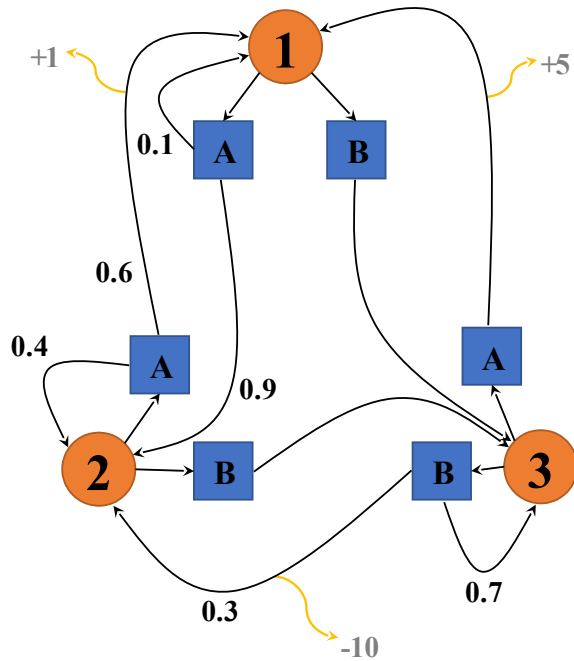
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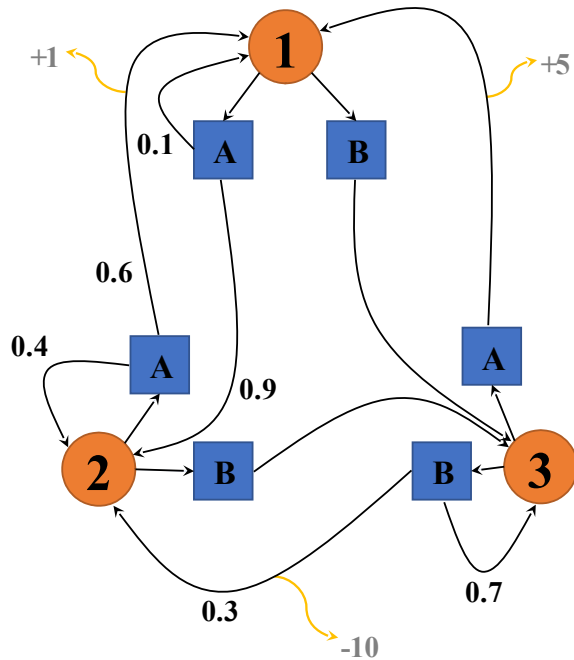
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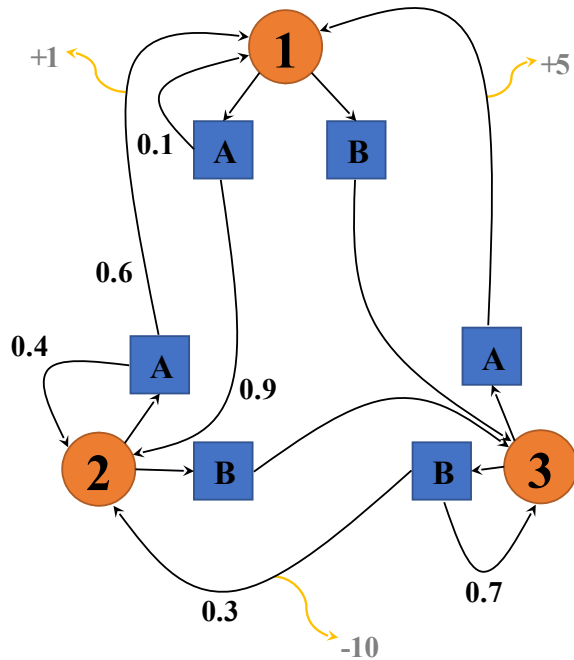
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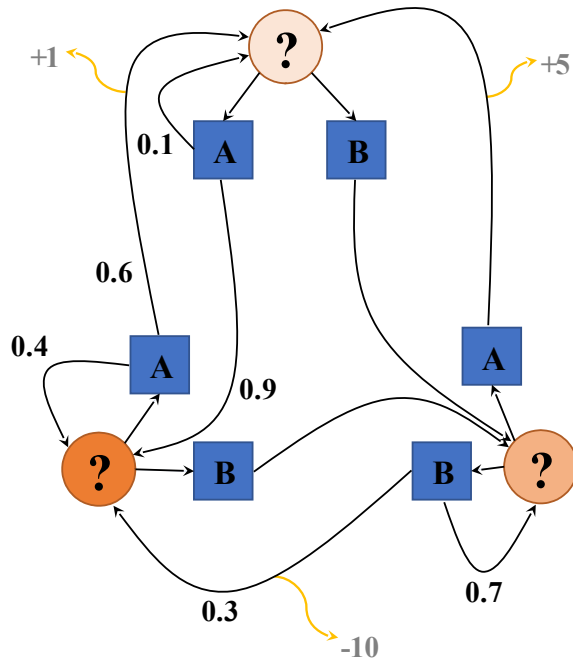
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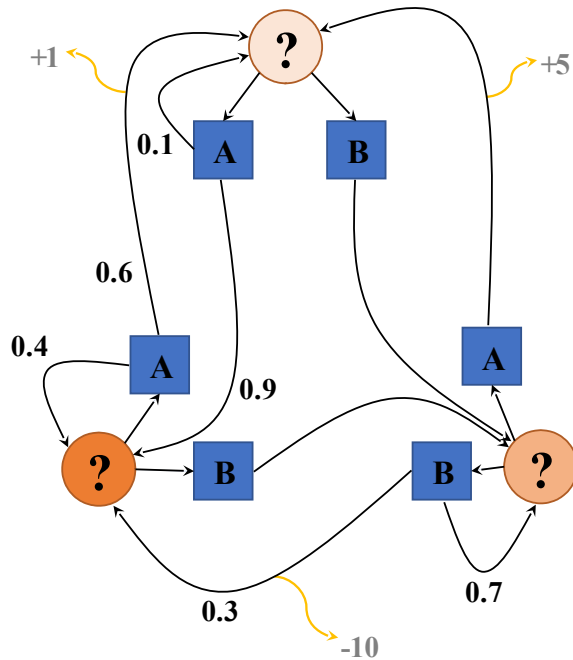
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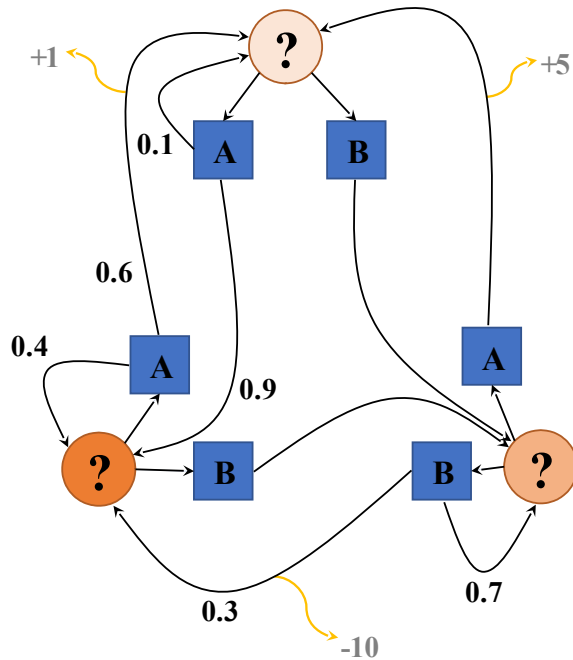
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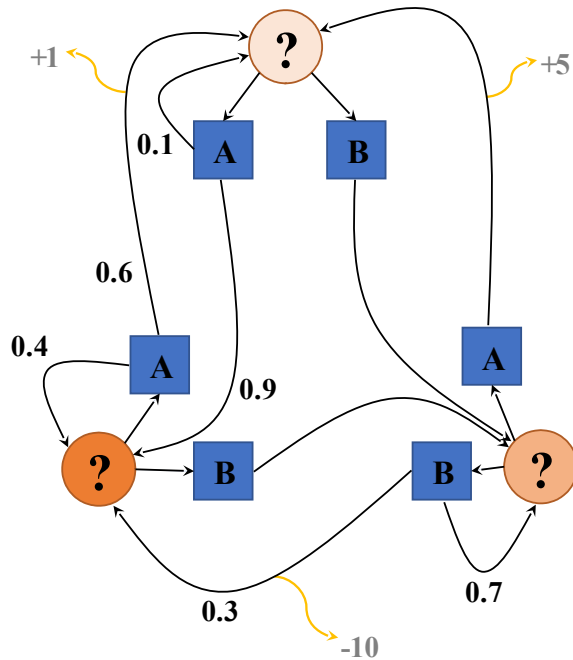
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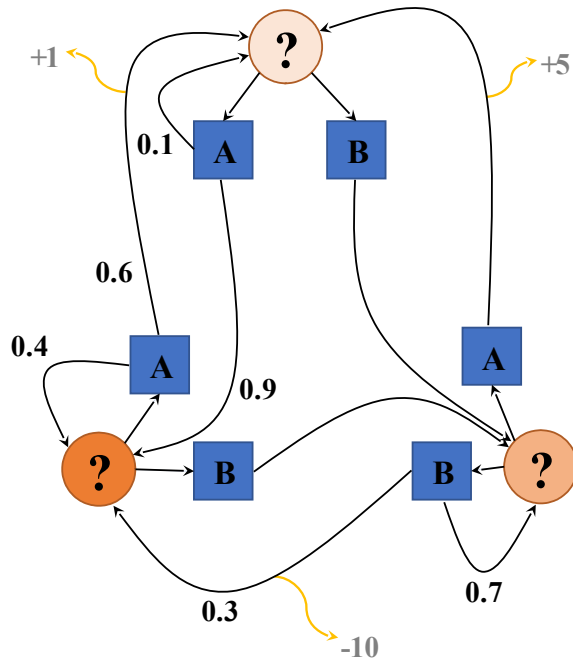
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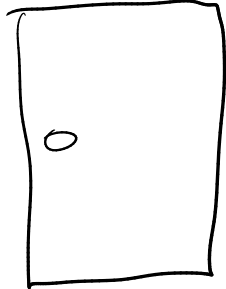
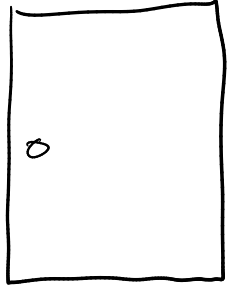
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# Tiger POMDP Definition



-100  
+10

Listen: 85% correct  
observation

$$S = \{L, R\}$$

$$A = \{L, R, \text{Listen}\}$$

$$O = \{L, R\}$$

$$T^{\text{listen}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T^L = T^R = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & 0.5 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

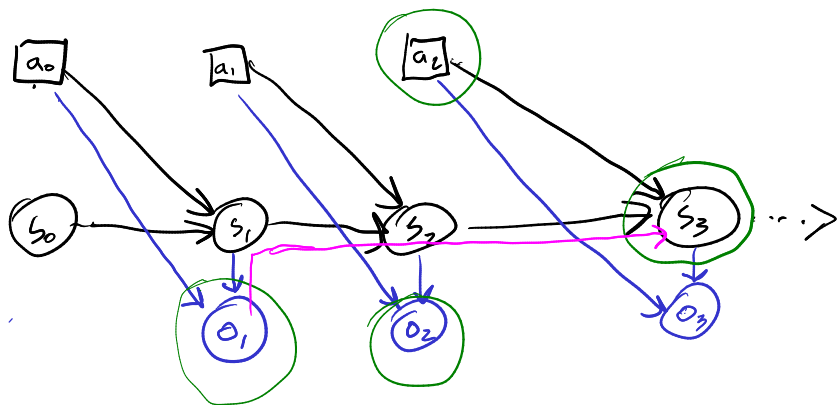
$$Z(o|a, s') = \begin{cases} 0.85 & \text{if } a = \text{Listen and } s' = o \\ 0.15 & \text{if } a = \text{Listen and } s' \neq o \\ 0.5 & \text{if } a \neq \text{Listen} \end{cases}$$

$$R(s, a) = \begin{cases} -100 & \text{if } a = s \\ -1 & \text{if } a = \text{listen} \\ 10 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$\gamma = 0.95$$

# Hidden Markov Models and Beliefs

$z(o|a,s')$



$$P(s_{t+1} | s_0, a_0 \dots s_t, a_t) \stackrel{?}{=} T(s_{t+1} | s_t, a_t)_{\text{true}}$$

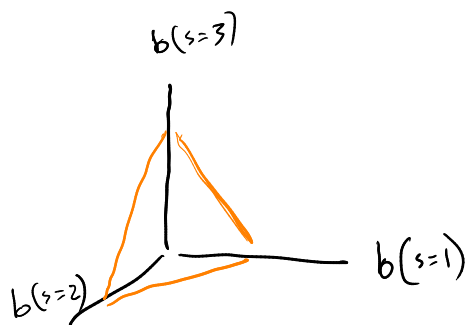
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$$b_0(s) = b(s)$$

↑ initial state distribution

$$h_t \equiv (b_0, a_0, o_1, a_1, o_2 \dots a_{t+1}, o_t)$$

$$b_t(s) \equiv P(s_t = s | h_t)$$



$$P(b_{t+1} | b_0, a_0, \dots b_t, a_t) = P(b_{t+1} | b_t, a_t)$$

POMDPs are MDPs on the belief space

$$B = \Delta(S)$$

$$h_t = (b_0, a_0, o_1, \dots, a_{t-1}, o_t)$$

# Bayesian Belief Updates

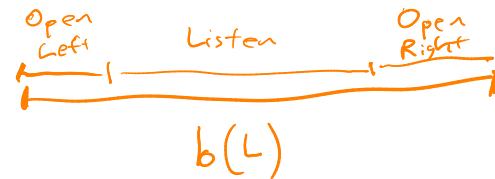
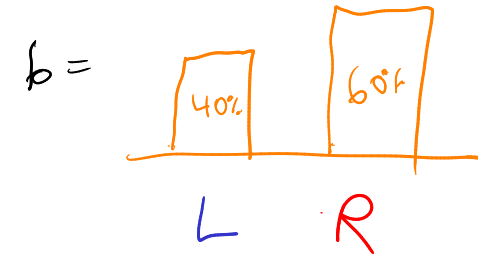
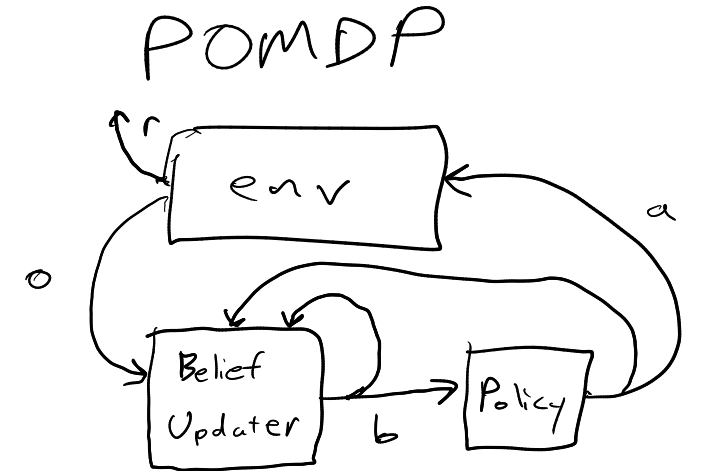
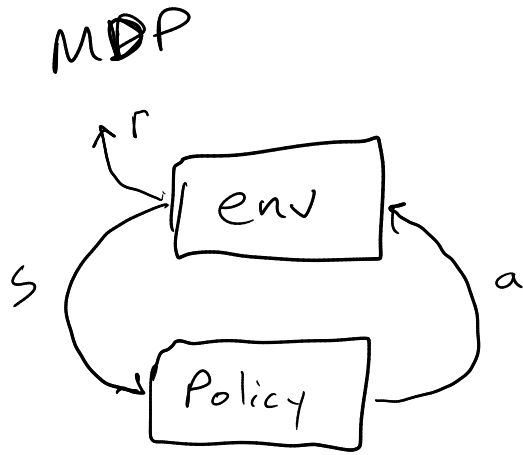
$$\begin{aligned} b_t &\equiv P(s_t | h_t) = P(s_t | h_{t-1}, a_{t-1}, o_t) \\ &= \frac{P(o_t | s_t, h_{t-1}, a_{t-1}) P(s_t | h_{t-1}, a_{t-1})}{P(o_t | h_{t-1}, a_{t-1})} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\propto P(o_t | s_t, h_{t-1}, a_{t-1}) P(s_t | h_{t-1}, a_{t-1}) \\ &= P(o_t | a_{t-1}, s_t) \sum_{s_{t-1}} \underbrace{P(s_t | s_{t-1}, a_{t-1} | h_{t-1})}_{\substack{Z(o|a,s') \\ T(s'|s,a)}} P(s_{t-1} | h_{t-1}, a_{t-1}) \\ &= P(o_t | a_{t-1}, s_t) \sum_{s_{t-1}} P(s_t | s_{t-1}, a_{t-1}) P(s_{t-1} | h_{t-1}) \\ &= Z(o_t | a_{t-1}, s_t) \sum_{s_{t-1}} T(s_t | s_{t-1}, a_{t-1}) b_t(s_{t-1}) \end{aligned}$$

$$b'(s') \propto Z(o | a, s') \sum_s T(s' | s, a) b(s)$$

$$b' \leftarrow \tau(b, a, o)$$

# Filtering Loop





# Tiger Example



# Recap