

# **IFT 608 / IFT 702**

# **Planification en intelligence artificielle**

**Méthodes *Policy Gradient***

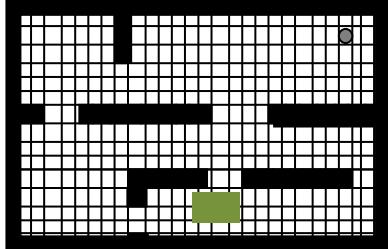
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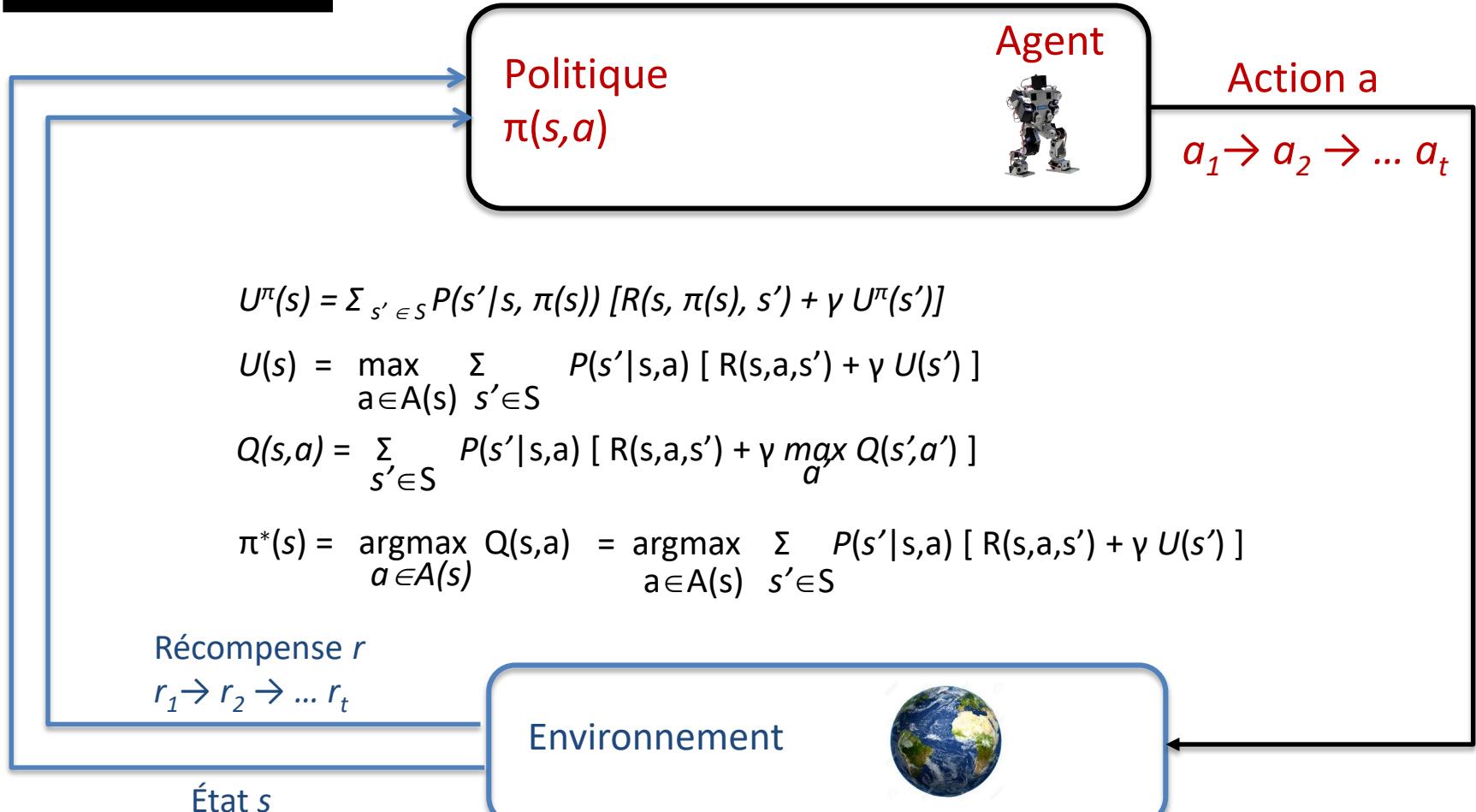
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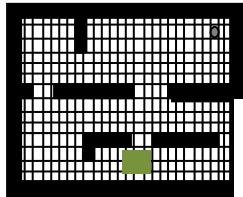
- Policy-gradient
- Reinforce
- Actor-Critic

# Cadre général

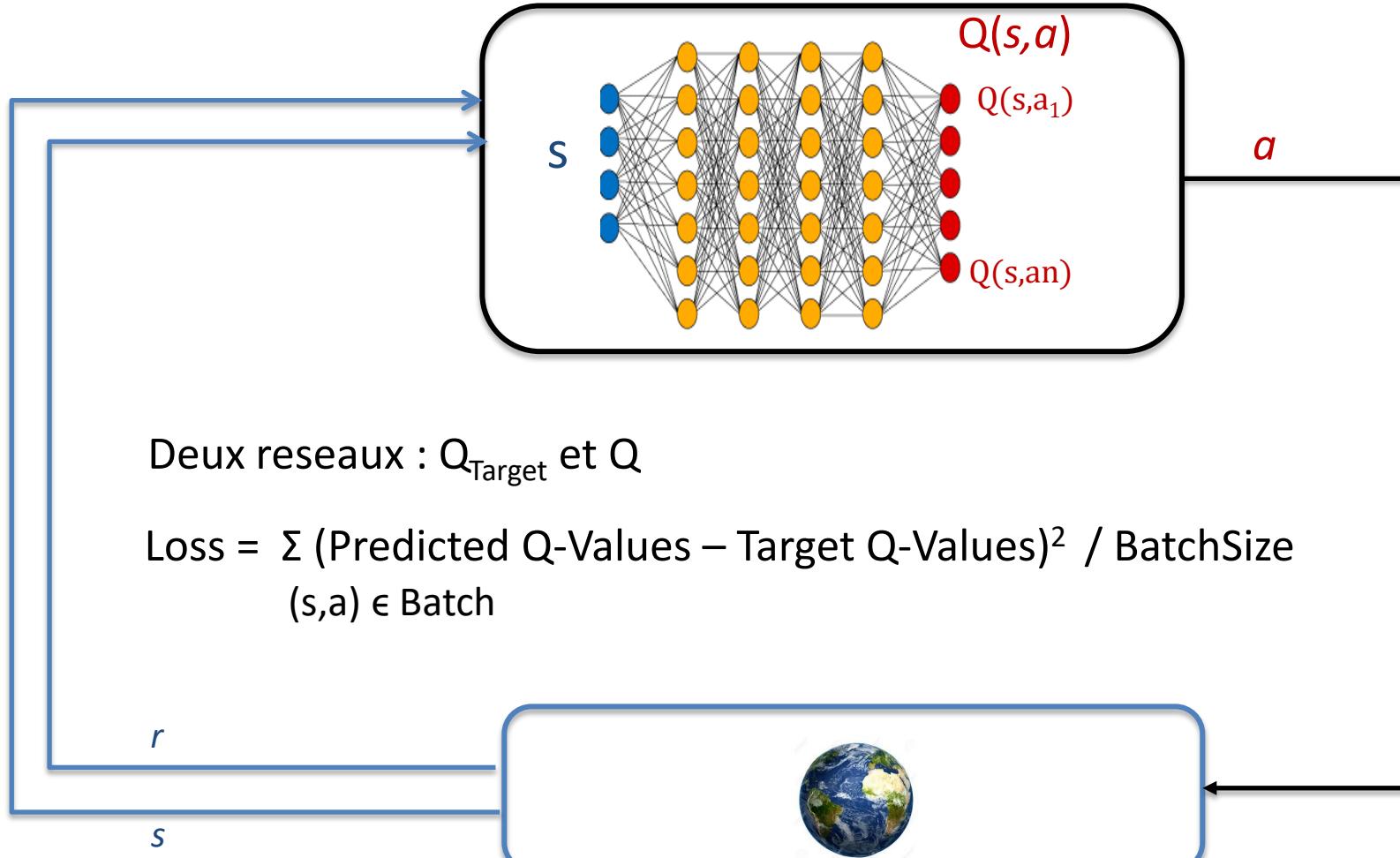
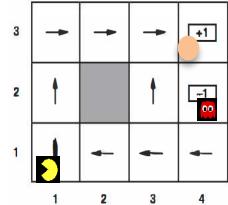


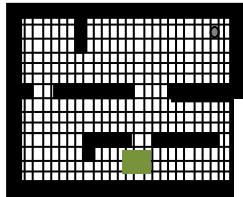
Maximiser  $r_0 + \gamma r_1 + \gamma^2 r_2 + \dots$ , avec  $0 \leq \gamma \leq 1$



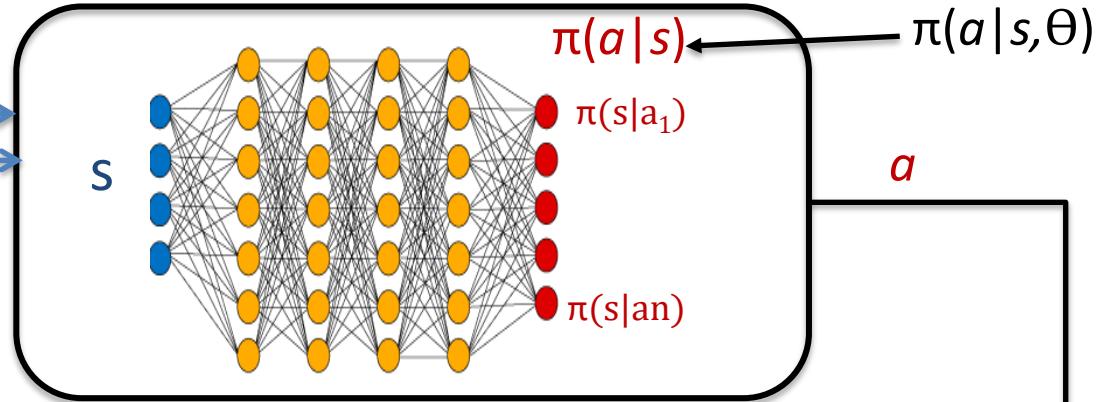
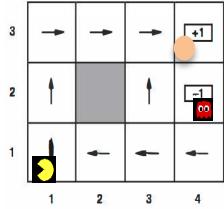


# DQN (Deep Q-Network)





# Méthodes *Policy-Gradient*



Politique  $\pi$

- Probabiliste (mixte)
- Approximée par un réseau de neurones

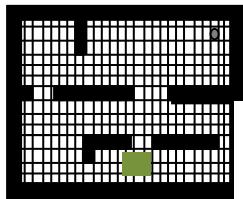
Une famille de méthodes

- *Reinforce*
- *Actor-Critic*

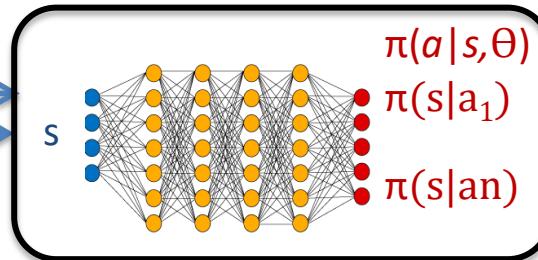
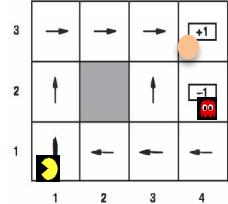
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# Algorithme Reinforce Monte-Carlo Policy Gradient



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Input: a differentiable policy parameterization  $\pi(a|s, \theta)$

Algorithm parameter: step size  $\alpha > 0$

Initialize policy parameter  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^{d'}$  (e.g., to **0**)

Loop forever (for each episode):

Generate an episode  $S_0, A_0, R_1, \dots, S_{T-1}, A_{T-1}, R_T$ , following  $\pi(\cdot|\cdot, \theta)$

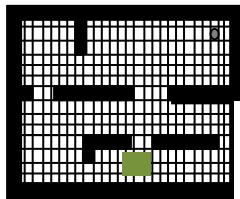
Loop for each step of the episode  $t = 0, 1, \dots, T - 1$ :

$$G \leftarrow \sum_{k=t+1}^T \gamma^{k-t-1} R_k \quad (G_t)$$

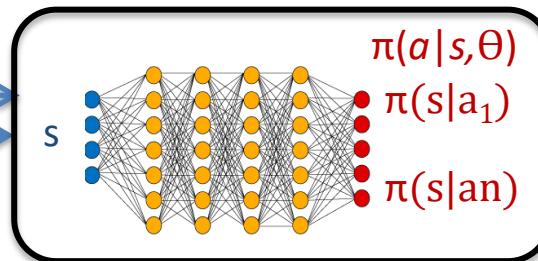
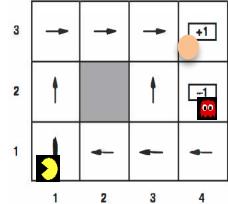
$$\theta \leftarrow \theta + \alpha \gamma^t G \nabla \ln \pi(A_t | S_t, \theta)$$

Exemple d'échantillon:  $(1,1) \xrightarrow[\text{Up}]{-.04} (1,2) \xrightarrow[\text{Up}]{-.04} (1,3) \xrightarrow[\text{Right}]{-.04} (1,2) \xrightarrow[\text{Up}]{-.04} (1,3) \xrightarrow[\text{Right}]{-.04} (2,3) \xrightarrow[\text{Right}]{-.04} (3,3) \xrightarrow[\text{Right}]{+.1} (4,3)$





# Algorithme Reinforce Monte-Carlo Policy Gradient



Algorithme en texte ...

Répéter sans fin (pour chaque épisode)

Génère un échantillon en utilisant la politique courante

À chaque transition de l'échantillon:

Calcule la récompense cumulée escomptée

$$G \leftarrow \sum_{k=t+1}^T \gamma^{k-t-1} R_k$$

Rétropagation  
du gradient

Calcule le log de la politique probabiliste

$$\ln \pi(A_t | S_t, \theta)$$

Calcule le gradient de la politique

$$\nabla \ln \pi(A_t | S_t, \theta)$$

Mets à jour les poids du réseau

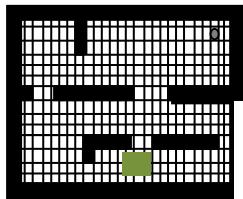
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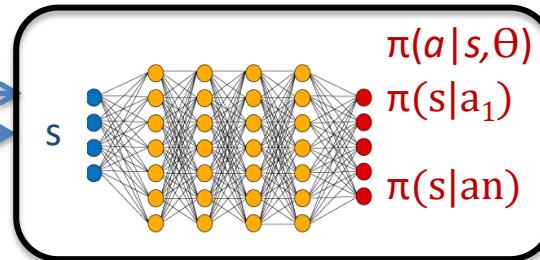
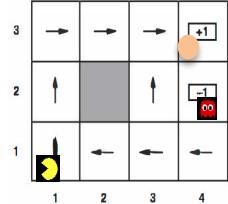
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Dérivation mathématique de la règle d'apprentissage

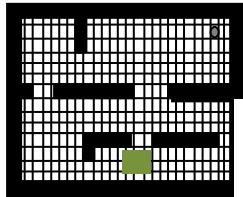
- Sutton & Barto, Sections 13.1 à 13.3
- [Chris Youn, Medium, "Deriving Policy Gradients and Implementing REINFORCE"](#)

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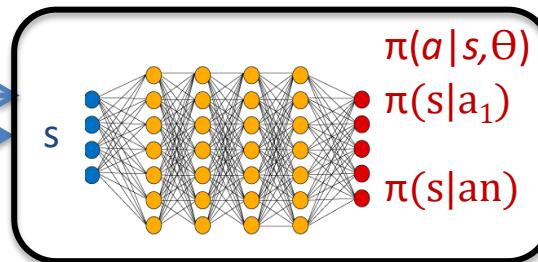
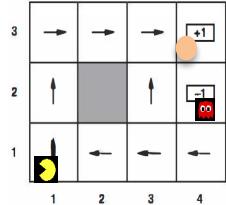
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# Reinforce with Baseline



Input: a differentiable policy parameterization  $\pi(a|s, \theta)$

Input: a differentiable state-value function parameterization  $\hat{v}(s, w)$

Algorithm parameters: step sizes  $\alpha^\theta > 0$ ,  $\alpha^w > 0$

Initialize policy parameter  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^{d'}$  and state-value weights  $w \in \mathbb{R}^d$  (e.g., to 0)

Loop forever (for each episode):

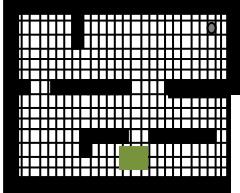
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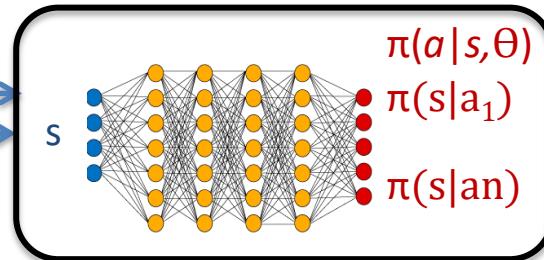
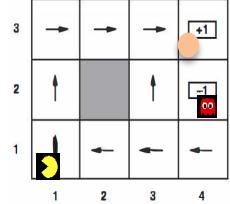
$$\begin{aligned} G &\leftarrow \sum_{k=t+1}^T \gamma^{k-t-1} R_k \quad (G_t) \\ \delta &\leftarrow G - \hat{v}(S_t, w) \\ w &\leftarrow w + \alpha^w \delta \nabla \hat{v}(S_t, w) \\ \theta &\leftarrow \theta + \alpha^\theta \gamma^t \delta \nabla \ln \pi(A_t | S_t, \theta) \end{aligned}$$

Exemple d'échantillon:  $(1,1) \xrightarrow[\text{Up}]{-.04} (1,2) \xrightarrow[\text{Up}]{-.04} (1,3) \xrightarrow[\text{Right}]{-.4} (1,2) \xrightarrow[\text{Up}]{-.04} (1,3) \xrightarrow[\text{Right}]{-.04} (2,3) \xrightarrow[\text{Right}]{-.04} (3,3) \xrightarrow[\text{Right}]{+.1} (4,3)$





# Actor-Critic



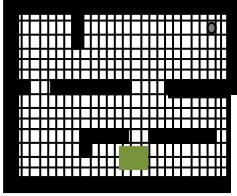
L'idée de Acto-Critic découle de *Reinforce with Baseline*: comme Baseline, estimer la valeur de l'état

Ainsi:

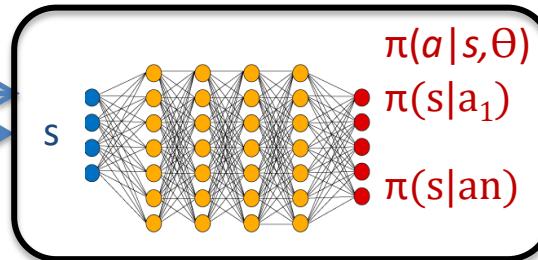
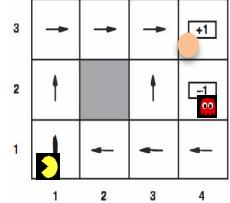
- La “Critique” estime la valeur de l'état (*Q-Value* ou *Value Fonction*) à l'image de Reinforce avec Baseline
- L’ “Acteur” mets à jour les poids de la (distribution de la) politique comme dans Reinforce, en suivant la direction suggérée par la “Critique”

Les deux sont paramétrés par des réseaux de neurones





# Actor-Critic



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## Algorithm 1 Q Actor Critic

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Initialize parameters  $s, \theta, w$  and learning rates  $\alpha_\theta, \alpha_w$ ; sample  $a \sim \pi_\theta(a|s)$ .

**for**  $t = 1 \dots T$ : **do**

    Sample reward  $r_t \sim R(s, a)$  and next state  $s' \sim P(s'|s, a)$

    Then sample the next action  $a' \sim \pi_\theta(a'|s')$

    Update the policy parameters:  $\theta \leftarrow \theta + \alpha_\theta Q_w(s, a) \nabla_\theta \log \pi_\theta(a|s)$ ; Compute the correction (TD error) for action-value at time t:

$$\delta_t = r_t + \gamma Q_w(s', a') - Q_w(s, a)$$

    and use it to update the parameters of Q function:

$$w \leftarrow w + \alpha_w \delta_t \nabla_w Q_w(s, a)$$

    Move to  $a \leftarrow a'$  and  $s \leftarrow s'$

**end for**

[Chris Youn, Towards Data Science](#)  
Understanding Actor-Critic Methods

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# **Vous devriez être capable de...**

- Expliquer et implémenter les algorithmes suivants
  - ◆ Reinforce
  - ◆ Reinforce with Baseline
  - ◆ Actor-Critic