# **Active Learning**

- You havee 'easy to get' unlabeled data.
- The evaluation of data is expensive.
- The task is to select the next data sample to evaluate.

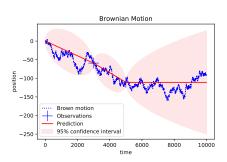
#### scikit-activeml

• Gaussian Processes coupled with Bayesian optimization may be viewed as a special case for active learning.

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### Gaussian Processes

- An infinite (continuous) number of Gaussian variables
- ullet to any value x a new variable  $N(\mu=f(x), \Sigma_{x|rest})$
- we have only a finite number of observations which means a finite number of variables
  - we can marginalize unobserved variables out (the integral is 1, we multiply by 1, we just remove),
- we can predict at any x, continuously.



### Gaussian Processes

C. E. Rasmussen & C. K. I. Williams, Gaussian Processes for Machine Learning, the MIT Press, 2006

### Definition (Gaussian Process)

A Gaussian process is a set of random variables where any finite subset follows multivariate Gaussian distribution.

We define the mean m(x) and the symmetric positive semidefinite covariance function  $k(x, x^{|})$ :

$$m(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbb{E}[f(\mathbf{x})]$$
  
$$k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}^{|}) = \mathbb{E}[(f(\mathbf{x}) - m(\mathbf{x}))(f(\mathbf{x}^{|}) - m(\mathbf{x}^{|}))]$$

a Gaussian process is

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{GP}(m(\mathbf{x}), k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}^{|})).$$

We assume  $m(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}$  it simplifies the formulas.

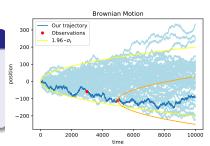
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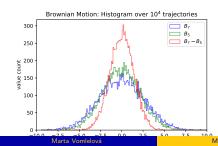
# Brownian Motion (Wiener Process)

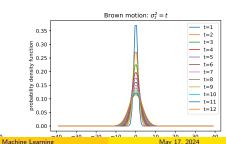
https://www.coursera.org/lecture/stochasticprocesses/week-4-6-two-definitions-of-a-brownian-motion-THRqL

### Definition (Brownian motion 1)

- $B_0 = 0$  for sure
- stationary and independent increments
- $B_s B_t \sim N(0, s t)$







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- $B_0 = 0$  almost surely
- B<sub>t</sub> stationary and independent increments
- $B_s B_t \sim N(0, s t)$

### Definition (Brownian motion 2)

Gaussian process with

- $\bullet$  m=0 and
- k(x, x') = min(x, x').

#### Positive semidefinite:

- $min(t,s) = \int_0^\infty f_t(x) f_s(x) dx$
- $f_t(x)f_s(x) = 1$  iff  $x \in [0, t] \& x \in [0, s]$

#### Lemma $(2\Rightarrow 1)$

- K(0,0) = min(0,0) = 0
- The process has variance 0 at t = 0 and m(0) = 0.
- covariance is linear in both arguments,  $s \ge t$

$$cov(B_s - B_t, B_s - B_t) = cov(B_s, B_s) - cov(B_t, B_s) - cov(B_s, B_t) + cov(B_t)$$
$$= s - 2t + t = s - t$$

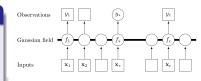
• increments, s > t > b > a # independence skipped, from Gaussian vectors  $cov(B_b - B_a, B_s - B_t) = cov(B_b, B_s) - cov(B_a, B_s) - cov(B_b, B_t) + cov(B_a, B_t)$ 

## Normal Distribution

#### Definition (Brownian motion 2)

Gaussian process with

- $\bullet$  m=0 and
- k(x, x') = min(x, x').



- The covariance on y is defined by the covariance on the inputs x.
- the covariance defines also the distribution on functions *f*:

$$\mathbf{f}_* \sim N(\mathbf{0}, K(X_*, X_*)).$$

Without noise, we observe y and we want to predict f<sub>\*</sub>:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{f}_* \end{bmatrix} \sim N \left( \mathbf{0}, \begin{bmatrix} K(X,X) & K(X,X_*) \\ K(X_*,X) & K(X_*,X_*) \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$X=[3,7]$$
  
 $y^T=[0.5, 1.11]$   
 $K(xs,X)=[\min(xs,a) \text{ for a in } X]$ 

$$K(X,X) = \begin{bmatrix} min(3,3) & min(3,7) \\ min(3,7) & min(7,7) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 3 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

### Prediction

• noisy-free observations  $y = f(\mathbf{x})$ 

$$cov(y_p, y_q) = k(\mathbf{x}_p, \mathbf{x}_q)$$

• noisy observations  $y = f(\mathbf{x}) + \epsilon$ ,  $\epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma_n^2)$ 

$$cov(y_p, y_q) = k(\mathbf{x}_p, \mathbf{x}_q) + \sigma_n^2 \delta_{pq}$$
  
 $cov(\mathbf{y}) = K(X, X) + \sigma_n^2 I$ 

• We observe **y** and we want to predict **f**<sub>\*</sub>:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{f}_* \end{bmatrix} \sim N \left( \mathbf{0}, \begin{bmatrix} K(X,X) + \sigma_n^2 I & K(X,X_*) \\ K(X_*,X) & K(X_*,X_*) \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

Predictive distribution

$$\mathbf{f}_{*}|X,\mathbf{y},X_{*} \sim \mathcal{N}(\overline{\mathbf{f}}_{*},cov(\overline{\mathbf{f}}_{*}))$$

$$\overline{\mathbf{f}}_{*} \triangleq \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{f}_{*}|X,\mathbf{y},X_{*}] = \mathcal{K}(X_{*},X)[\mathcal{K}(X,X) + \sigma_{n}^{2}I]^{-1}\mathbf{y}$$

$$cov(\mathbf{f}_{*}) = \mathcal{K}(X_{*},X_{*}) - \mathcal{K}(X_{*},X)[\mathcal{K}(X_{*},X) + \sigma_{n}^{2}I]^{-1}\mathcal{K}(X,X_{*})$$

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$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbf{f}_*|X,\mathbf{y},X_* & \sim & \mathcal{N}(\overline{\mathbf{f}}_*,cov(\overline{\mathbf{f}}_*)) \\ & \overline{\mathbf{f}}_* & \triangleq & \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{f}_*|X,\mathbf{y},X_*] = \mathcal{K}(X_*,X)[\mathcal{K}(X,X) + \sigma_n^2I]^{-1}\mathbf{y} \\ & cov(\mathbf{f}_*) & = & \mathcal{K}(X_*,X_*) - \mathcal{K}(X_*,X)[\mathcal{K}(X_*,X) + \sigma_n^2I]^{-1}\mathcal{K}(X,X_*) \end{array}$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{f}}_{*} \triangleq \mathbb{E}\left[\mathbf{f}_{*} \middle| \begin{bmatrix} 3\\7 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0.5\\11 \end{bmatrix}, [4] \right] = [3,4] \begin{bmatrix} 3+\sigma_{n}^{2} & 3\\3 & 7+\sigma_{n}^{2} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0.5\\11 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$cov(\mathbf{f}_{*}) = min(4,4) - [3,4] \begin{bmatrix} 3+\sigma_{n}^{2} & 3\\3 & 7+\sigma_{n}^{2} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 3\\4 \end{bmatrix}$$

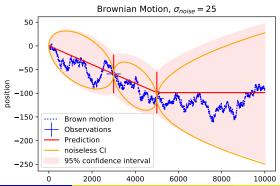


## Predictive distribution

#### Prediction

- is a linear function of observations y
  - for  $\alpha \Leftarrow (K + \sigma_n^2 I)^{-1} \mathbf{y}$
  - we predict  $\overline{f}(\mathbf{x}_*) \Leftarrow \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i k(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_*)$

 The red vertical bars show the variance due to the observation noise.



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### Definition (First Set of Kernel Functions)

• Radial Basis Function (RBF) covariance function with the length scale parameter  $\ell$  is defined

$$cov(f(\mathbf{x}_p), f(\mathbf{x}_q)) = RBF(\mathbf{x}_p, \mathbf{x}_q) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\frac{|\mathbf{x}_p - \mathbf{x}_q|^2}{\ell^2}\right).$$

• Constant covariance function with the constant parameter is defined

$$cov(f(\mathbf{x}_p), f(\mathbf{x}_q)) = Constant(\mathbf{x}_p, \mathbf{x}_q) = constant.$$

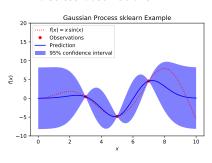
• Squared exponential (SE) covariance function with hyperparameters  $\ell^2$  lengthscale and  $\sigma_f^2$  signal variance

$$k(\mathbf{x}_{p}, \mathbf{x}_{q}) = \sigma_{f}^{2} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} \frac{|\mathbf{x}_{p} - \mathbf{x}_{q}|^{2}}{\ell^{2}}\right)$$
$$= Constant(\mathbf{x}_{p}, \mathbf{x}_{q}) * RBF(\mathbf{x}_{p}, \mathbf{x}_{q})$$

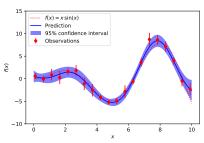
- can be defined as a **product kernel** of the Constant and RBF kernels.
- There is also a **sum kernel** kernel function +.

# Scikitlearn Examples

Noiseless observations.



 The red vertical bars show the variance due to the observation noise.



- The parameters may be fitted by the gradient update.
- The observation noise alpha may be specific for each observation (right), identically 0 (left) or constant.

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\begin{aligned} & \mathsf{kernel} = \mathsf{C}(1.0,\,(1\text{e-3},\,1\text{e3})) * \mathsf{RBF}(10,\,(100\text{e-2},\,100\text{e2})) \\ & \mathsf{gp} = \mathsf{GaussianProcessRegressor}(\mathsf{kernel} = \mathsf{kernel},\,\mathsf{alpha} = \mathsf{dy} ** 2) \\ & \mathsf{gp.fit}(\mathsf{X},\,\mathsf{y}) \end{aligned}
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# Marginal likelihood

- The parameters may be automatically tuned by gradiently maximize the marginal likelihood.
- 'In sample' prediction **f** follows:  $\mathbf{f} \sim N(\mathbf{0}, K(X, X))$ .

#### Lemma

The marginal log likelihood is

• for noisy-free observations  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{f}$ :

$$\log p(\mathbf{y}|X) = \log p(\mathbf{f}|X) = -\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{f}^T K^{-1}\mathbf{f} - \frac{1}{2}\log |K| - \frac{N}{2}\log 2\pi$$

• For noisy observations  $\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{f} \sim N(\mathbf{f}, \sigma_n^2 I)$ ,  $\mathbf{y} \sim N(0, K + \sigma_n^2 I)$ 

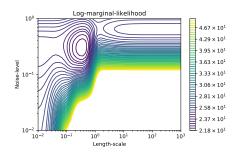
$$\log p(\mathbf{y}|X) = -\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{y}^T(K + \sigma_n^2 I)^{-1}\mathbf{y} - \frac{1}{2}\log|K + \sigma_n^2 I| - \frac{N}{2}\log 2\pi.$$

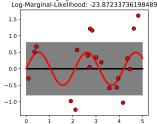
The noise level may be tuned as well by (sum)adding the **WhiteKernel**. **WhiteKernel**= noise\_level iff we address the same variable  $(\mathbf{x}_p, \mathbf{x}_p)$ , otherwise

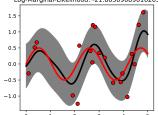
## Hyperparameter Fit

#### Scikitlearn example:

- The log-marginal function has two local maxima.
- The log-marginal maxima corresponds to the two models.







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### Definition (Further Kernel Functions)

• ExpSineSquared kernel function with the parameters length scale  $\ell$  and the periodicity p > 0 (d is the distance) is defined

$$cov(f(\mathbf{x}_q), f(\mathbf{x}_r)) = \exp\left(-\frac{2\sin^2(\pi d(\mathbf{x}_q, \mathbf{x}_r)/p)}{\ell^2}\right).$$

Usefull for periodic functions.

• **Dot product** kernel function with the **inhomogenicity** parameter  $\sigma_0$  is defined

$$cov(f(\mathbf{x}_p), f(\mathbf{x}_q)) = \sigma_0 + \mathbf{x}_p \cdot \mathbf{x}_q.$$

Useful to capture the trend, often combined with exponential kernel.

 $\bullet$  Rational Quadratic kernel function with hyperparameters  $\ell^2$  lenghtscale and mixture  $\alpha$ 

$$k(\mathbf{x}_p, \mathbf{x}_q) = \left(1 + \frac{d(\mathbf{x}_p, \mathbf{x}_q)^2}{2\alpha\ell^2}\right)^{-\alpha}$$

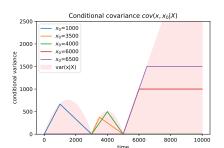
The mixure of many RBF kernel lengthscales.

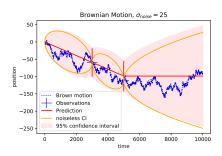
### Conditional Covariance

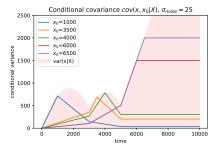
 Consider the conditional covariance, the relation of two unobserved points x and x<sub>0</sub>.

left Noiseless Brown motion example. The covariance is zero outside the  $x_0$  closest observations interval.

right Brown motion with a high noise level.

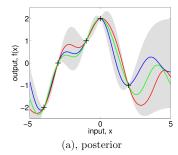


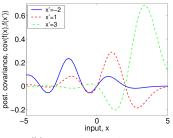




## Conditional Covariance Rassmussen Example

- The conditional covariance may be also negative.
- Most kernels have a continuous first derivative. This makes the conditional covariance negative with points on the other side of the closest observation.





(b), posterior covariance

## Matérn

- Most kernel function have many derivatives.
- The Matérn kernel  $\nu=1.5$  ('nu') has only the first derivative. It is able to model less smooth functions.
- As  $\nu \to \infty$ , it becomes a RBF kernel.

### Definition (Matérn kernel)

The Matérn kernel with parameters  $\nu=k+\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\ell$  is defined

$$k(\mathbf{x}_p, \mathbf{x}_q) = \frac{1}{2^{\nu-1}\Gamma(\nu)} \left( \frac{\sqrt{2\nu}}{\ell} d(\mathbf{x}_p, \mathbf{x}_q) \right)^{\nu} K_{\nu} \left( \frac{\sqrt{2\nu}}{\ell} d(\mathbf{x}_p, \mathbf{x}_q) \right)$$

The **Modified Bessel functions** (for  $\alpha$  not integer, the limit otherwise) are defined

- $I_{\alpha}(x) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m!\Gamma(m+\alpha+1)} \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^{2m+\alpha}$
- $K_{\alpha}(x) = \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{I_{-\alpha}(x) I_{\alpha}(x)}{\sin \alpha \pi}$ .

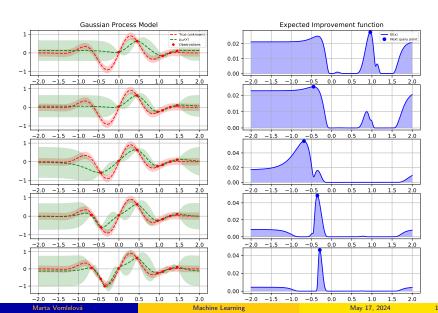
# Bayesian Optimization

- Bayesian Optimization is used when
  - We are solving:  $x^* = \arg\min_x f(x)$
  - f(x) is a black box function
  - f is expensive to evaluate
  - the evaluations may be noisy.
- If any condition is not true, a better algorithm exists.
- We search the point x to observe.
- scikit-optimize = skopt Python package
- we minimize **y** and search the maximal probability of improvement
- 'the chance to improve' is expressed by the **Expected improvement** (EI)

#### Bayesian Optimization Algorithm

- Evaluate **y** on X, let  $\mathbf{y} = y(X)$  and calculate conditional means and covariances
- repeat forever
  - $x^{new} = argmax_x EI(x)$  add x into X
  - Evaluate  $\mathbf{y} = y(x)$  and add y to  $\mathbf{y}$ .
  - re-estimate the Gaussian process (the parameters of the covariance).

# Bayesian Optimization Example [Skopt]



## **Expected Improvement Aquisition Function**

- we search the point x to observe
- we minimize y, we already have the training data X,  $\mathbf{y}$
- the search the maximal probability of improvement is expressed by the Expected improvement (EI)

$$EI(x) = \mathbb{E}[(min(Y(X)) - Y(x))^+ | Y(X) = \mathbf{y}]$$
  
= 
$$\mathbb{E}[(min(\mathbf{y}) - Y(x))^+ | Y(X) = \mathbf{y}]$$

this can be solved analytically ( $\Phi$  cummulative df,  $\phi$  pdf Gaussian distribution):

$$El(x) = (\min(\mathbf{y}) - \mu(x))\Phi\left(\frac{\min(\mathbf{y}) - \mu(x)}{\sigma(x)}\right) + \sigma(x)\phi\left(\frac{\min(\mathbf{y}) - \mu(x)}{\sigma(x)}\right)$$

to maximize y:

$$EI(x) = (\mu(x) - \max(\mathbf{y})) \Phi\left(\frac{\mu(x) - \max(\mathbf{y}) - \xi}{\sigma(x)}\right) + \sigma(x) \phi\left(\frac{\mu(x) - \max(\mathbf{y}) - \xi}{\sigma(x)}\right).$$

• if 'xi'  $\xi > 0$  we ignore small improvements.

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## Paralelization: The Constant Liar

$$EI(x) = \mathbb{E}[(\min(Y(X)) - \min(Y(x^{(n+1)}), Y(x^{(n+2)}), \dots, Y(x^{(n+k)})))^{+}|Y(X) = \mathbf{y}$$

$$= \mathbb{E}[(\min(\mathbf{y}) - Y(x))^{+}|Y(X) = \mathbf{y}]$$

it does not have direct formula. It is solved by Markov Chain simulation.

- We estimate the observations y by an estimate (min, max, mean)
- and run the evaluation in parallel.

That means the covariance is correctly estimated, the mean must be corrected later.

ParBayesianOptimization R package

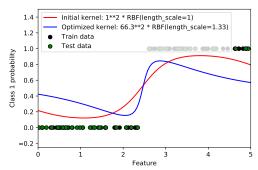
### Definition (Other Aquisition Functions)

- Probability of Improvement:  $PI(f(x_*) < min(\mathbf{y})) = \Phi\left(\frac{min(\mathbf{y}) \mu(x_*)}{\sigma(x_*)}\right)$
- Lower Confidence Bound:  $LCB(x) = \mu(x) \kappa \cdot \sigma(x)$ .

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## **GP** for Classification

- GP for classification are more complex and 'only an approximation'
- still, it is worth to try the sklearn.gaussian\_process.GaussianProcessClassifier .
- We estimate a latent function f as before
- we link it to (0,1) interval by the sigmoid function (or  $\Phi$ ).
- The log-marginal-likelihood does not have a closed analytical form anymore.
- can be approximated by Hessian matrix, the algorithm works in  $O(N^3)$ , not too bad.

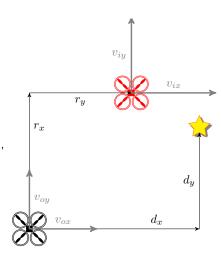


## **POMDP Applications**

- Karkus, Hsu, Lee: QMDP-Net: Deep Learning for Planning under Partial
   Observability
   https://proceedings.neurips.cc/paper/2017/file/e9412ee564384b987d086df32d4
   Paper.pdf
- Eric Mueller and Mykel J. Kochenderfer: Multi-Rotor Aircraft Collision
   Avoidance using Partially Observable Markov Decision Processes,
   American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics
   https://aviationsystemsdivision.arc.nasa.gov/publications/2016/AIAA-2016-3673.pdf

## POMDP Aircraft Collision Avoidance

- the algorithms designed for fixed-wing aircraft analyze
  - turns
  - vertical meneuvers
- multirotor aircraft (drones) and helicopters can also
  - horizontal plane accelerations
- state 2D, (3D)
  - relative range states  $r_x$ ,  $r_y$ ,  $(r_z)$
  - velocities for the ownship  $v_{ox}$ ,  $v_{oy}$ ,  $(v_{oz})$
  - velocities for the intruder v<sub>ix</sub>, v<sub>iv</sub>,  $(v_{iz})$
  - absolute displacement from the desired trajectory  $d_x$ ,  $d_y$ ,  $(d_z)$
  - the desired trajectory is normalized to unit velocity in the xaxis and zero velocity in the y axis.



## **MDP** Transitions

- the prediction horizon is very short
- updates done every 0.1 to 1 seconds
- simple update equation are sufficient
- not a benefit to using more complex dynamic equations.
- $a_x$ ,  $a_y$  acceleration by the ownship
- $N_*$  noise to the ownship, intruder, x and y axis •  $N_o(\mu = 0, 0.30s^{-2})$ ,  $N_i(\mu = 0, 0.45s^{-2})$ ,
- Bellman update transition from s with acceleration a to s<sup>|</sup>

$$Q[s,a] \leftarrow R(s,a) + \gamma \sum_{s|} T(s^{|}|s,a) max_{a^{|}} Q[s^{|},a^{|}].$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \dot{r}_{x} & = & v_{ix} - v_{ox} \\ \dot{r}_{y} & = & v_{iy} - v_{oy} \\ \dot{v}_{ox} & = & a_{x} + N_{ox} \\ \dot{v}_{oy} & = & a_{y} + N_{oy} \\ \dot{v}_{ix} & = & N_{ix} \\ \dot{v}_{iy} & = & N_{iy} \\ \dot{d}_{x} & = & v_{tx} - v_{ox} \\ \dot{d}_{y} & = & v_{ty} - v_{oy} \end{array}$$

### Reward

- Minimum reward R<sub>min</sub>
  - collision
  - physically impossible states
  - keeps the sum finite
- we prefer no acceleration
- we prefer long distance to the intruder
- we prefer short distance to the desired trajectory
- $K_s$ ,  $K_T$ ,  $R_{min}$  weights was learned, k weights was = 1.

$$R(s,a) = \max \left[ R_{min}, -(k_{ax}|a_x| + k_{ay}|a_y|) - K_s \frac{1}{k_{rx}r_x^2 + k_{ry}r_y^2} - K_T(k_{dx}d_x^2 + k_{dy}d_y^2) \right]$$

# **QMDP** Approximation

- offline optimization
  - a few hours for coarse discretization, 1 PC
  - initially stationary intruders
  - intruders moving at uniform velocity with a variety of relative headings angles
  - intruders state and dynamic uncertainty were added to the encounters.
- all values normalized
  - the coarse set contained a total of 765,625 discrete states
  - the finely discretized version contained 9,529,569 states.

State variable	State Description	Discretization
$r_x, r_y$	Intruder range components	-15, [-7, -3], -1, 0, 1, [3, 7], 15
$v_{ox}, v_{oy}$	ownship velocity components	$-5, -3, -1, 0, 1, 3, 5 s^{-1}$
$v_{ix}, v_{iy}$	intruder velocity components	$-5, [-3], -1, 0, 1, [3], 5 s^{-1}$
$d_x, d_y$	desired trajectory distance	-10, [-3], -1, 0, 1, [3], 10

### **Evaluation Function**

- The primary goal is to remain safely separated from the intruder aircraft.
  - r<sub>5%CPA</sub> 'the closest point of approach', we allow 5% trajectories a little bit closer.

- Figure: required 1.5 units, never closer than 1.1 units.
- Mean deviation distance from the desired trajectory  $\mu_{dev}$ .

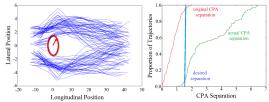
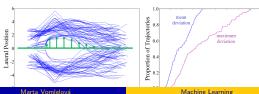


Figure 3: Separation metric used to evaluate the collision avoidance algorithm



# Reward Tuning - Bayesian Optimization

- We tune  $R_P = (K_T, K_s, R_{min})$
- $oldsymbol{\circ}$  eta weights the two objective functions

$$F(R_P) = (\beta \times (r_{5\%CPA})^{-1} + (1-\beta) \times \mu_{dev}).$$

- Gaussian process models  $F(R_P)$ .
- We determine the point at which the objective function is expected to have the largest improvement, E[I(F(R<sub>P</sub>))] over that of the current minimum.
- This set of R<sub>P</sub> is passed to QMDP to evaluate.
- until convergence.

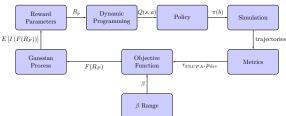
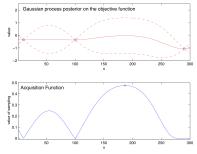


Figure 5: Process for tuning POMDP reward parameters

## Bayesian Optimization

- we know QMDP and F values for one or more  $\mathbf{x} = R_P$  points
- we search the point  $x = R_P^*$  to observe
- we minimize  $y = F(R_P^*)$  and search the maximal probability of improvement
- 'the chance to improve' is expressed by the Expected improvement (EI)

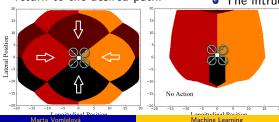


Peter I. Frazier: A Tutorial on Bayesian Optimization, rXiv:1807.02811v1 [stat.ML] 8 Jul 2018

## Value Iteration, QMDP Policies

- considerable improvement in convergence speed by initializing by the value of previously evaluated policy
- the value of maximum negative reward influenced the convergence speed
- $\gamma \leftarrow$  0.99 taking hundred iterations to converge.
- $\bullet$  smaller  $\gamma$  did not ensure the return to the desired path.

- Figures: Owhship at the origin
- different intruder positions
- policies indicated by color: black=up, red=right
- left: both own and intruder velocities are zero, d=0
- right: owhship is moving in the positive v-axis direction at 1  $s^{-1}$  with zero trajectory error and nominal trajectory matches the velocity.
- The intruder is stationary.



### **Beliefs**

- Uncertainty does not increase with time
- State uncertainty is incorporated only when actions are selected
- a set of potential states is calculated from the observations received at each step.
- the potential states become the beliefs used to select an action.

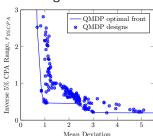
$$\pi(b) = max_a \left[ \sum_k Q(s^{(k)}, a)b^{(k)} \right]$$

- The value  $Q(s^{(k)}, a)b^{(k)}$  approximated from QMDP solutions
  - rectangular interpolation between 2<sup>n</sup> nearest neighbor
  - simplex interpolation between n+1 nearest neighbor
  - prior work has found little benefit to using more sophisticated approaches.

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## Pareto Optimal frontier

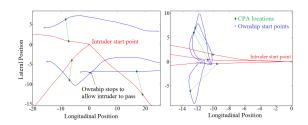
- 194 parameter sets evaluated
- ullet eta between 0.01 and 0.99 .
- resulting in nine non-dominated, Pareto-optimal designs.



# Human Expert Check

- Left: intruder starts at (0,0),
- random heading, fixed velocity of the intruder
- the ownship starts at the blue cross

- Right: The goal is hovering
- the intruder comes from the right with the unknown behaviour.



### State Discretization

#### The fine discretization improves the results.

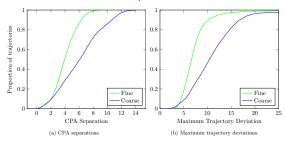


Figure 10: Cumulative distributions of encounter model metrics as a function of state discretization

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