

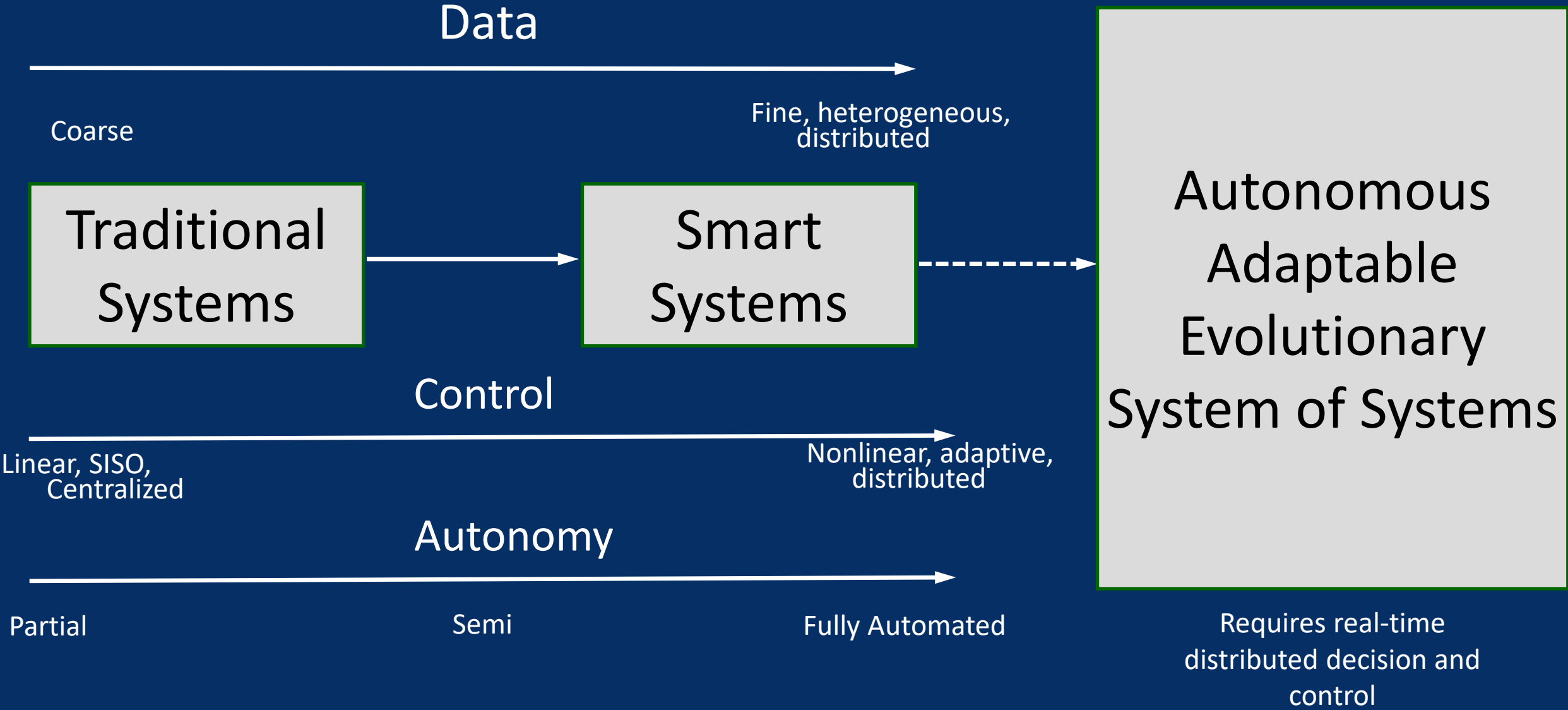
Lessons from Adaptive Control: Towards Real-time Machine Learning

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Evolution of Systems



Safety-Critical Systems: Needs and Tools

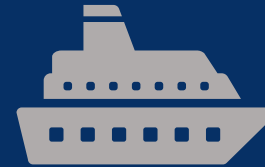
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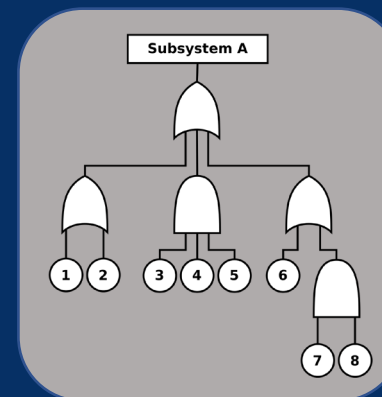


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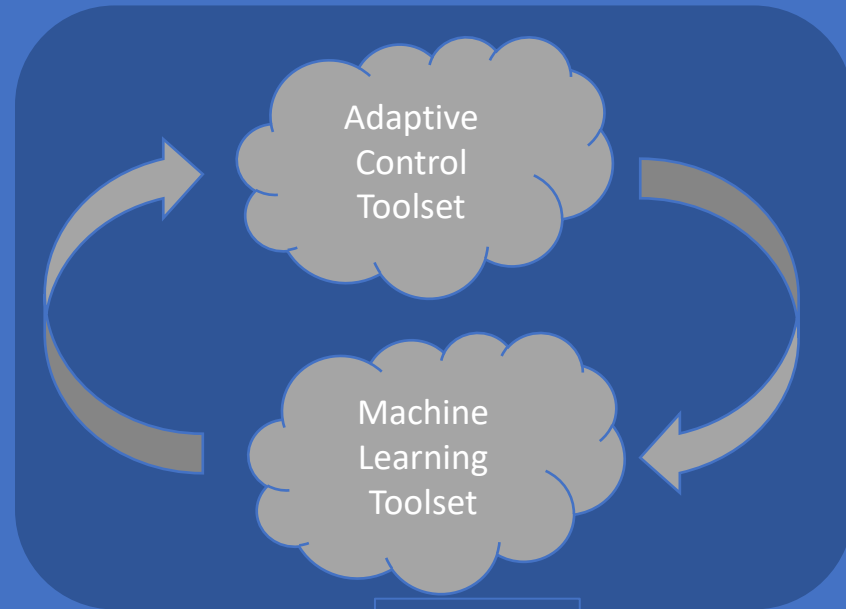
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Boeing 737 crashes raise tough questions on aircraft automation

taipeitimes.com

3 crashes, 3 deaths raise questions about Tesla's Autopilot

TOM KRISHER January 3, 2020

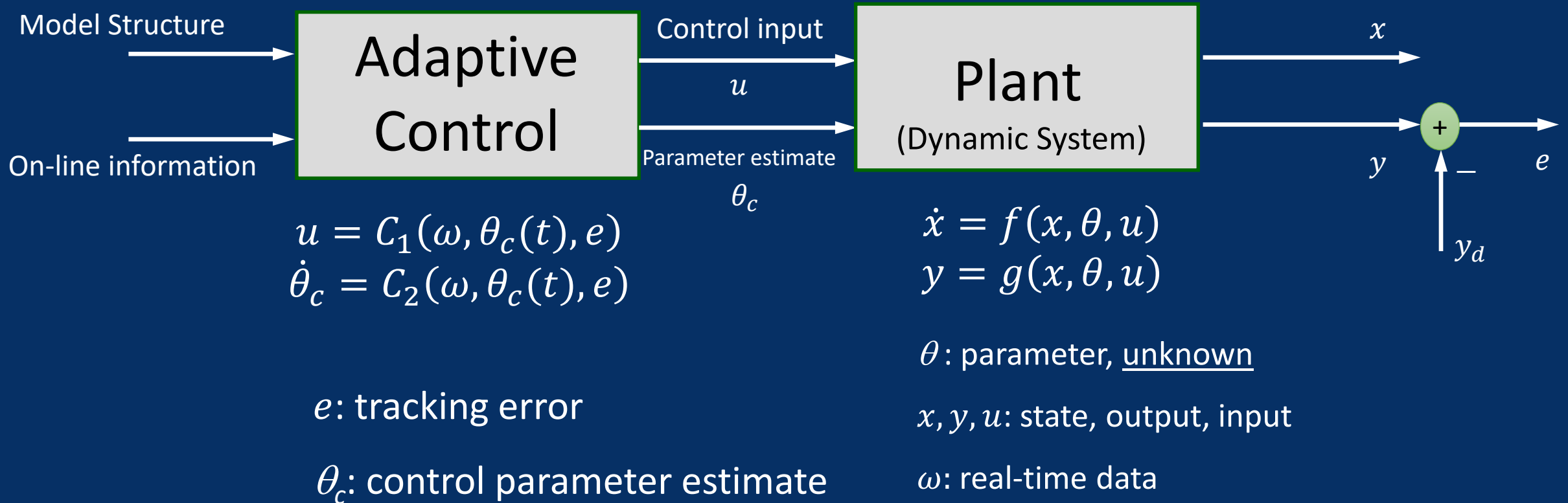
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- Being “just as safe as the current systems”
- Public sentiment is a major barrier to widespread adoption of autonomous transportation to be much safer than the current systems

- Learning in Adaptive Systems
 - Adaptive Estimation and Adaptive Control
 - Error Models & Learning rules
 - Stability framework – Imperfect Learning
 - Persistent Excitation – Learning with guarantees
- Machine Learning
 - Neural Networks
 - Reinforcement Learning
- New Solutions
 - High-order Tuners – towards accelerated performance
 - Sub-Gaussian spectral lines – towards robust learning
 - Integration of RL and Adaptive Control – towards real-time machine learning
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Learning in Adaptive Systems

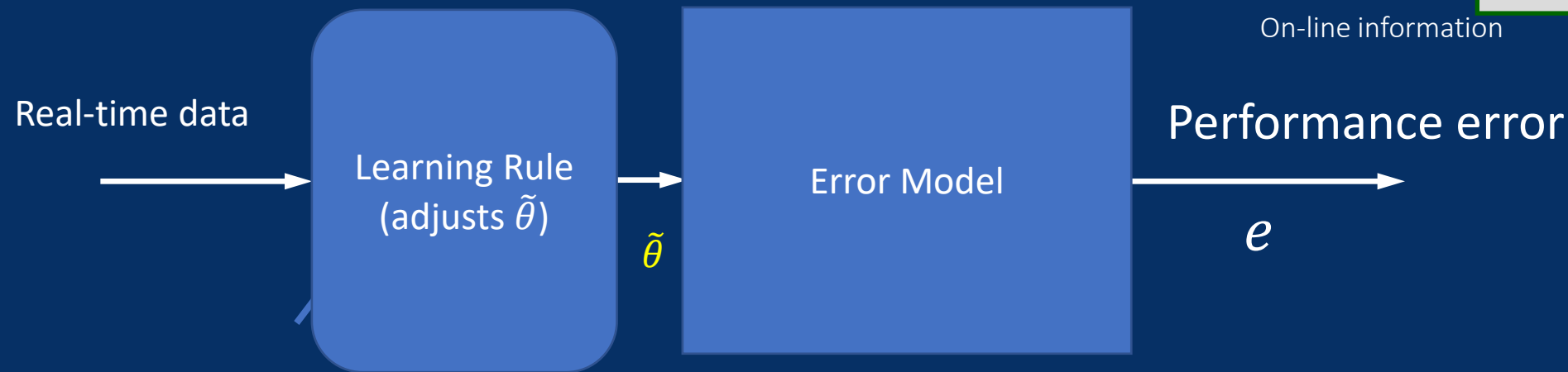
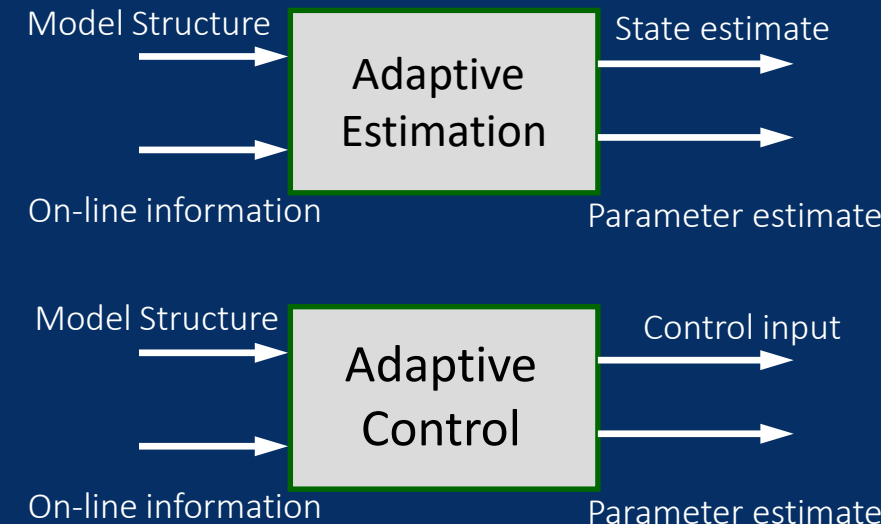
Problem Statement – Adaptive Control



Goal: Find u, C_1, C_2 so that regulation and tracking occur

Error Models – Two types of errors

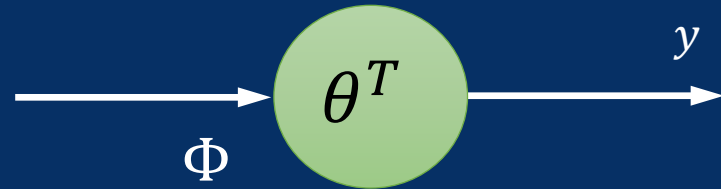
- e : Performance error (ex. $\hat{x} - x$; $x - x_m$)
 - can be measured, needs to be reduced
- $\tilde{\theta}$: Parameter error (ex. $\hat{\theta} - \theta$)
 - Unknown, can be adjusted – Learning Rule



Goal: Determine error models and learning rules

A Simple Error Model

System Model:



$$y = \phi^T \theta$$

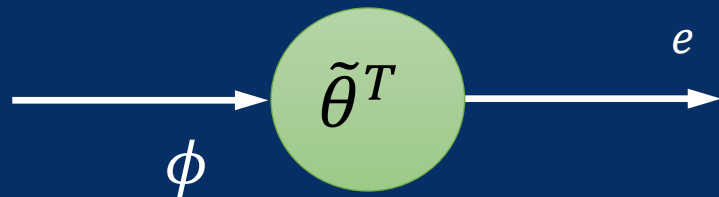
Performance error: $e = \hat{y} - y$

Build an estimator:

$$\hat{y} = \phi^T \hat{\theta}$$

Parameter error: $\tilde{\theta} = \hat{\theta} - \theta$

Error Model:



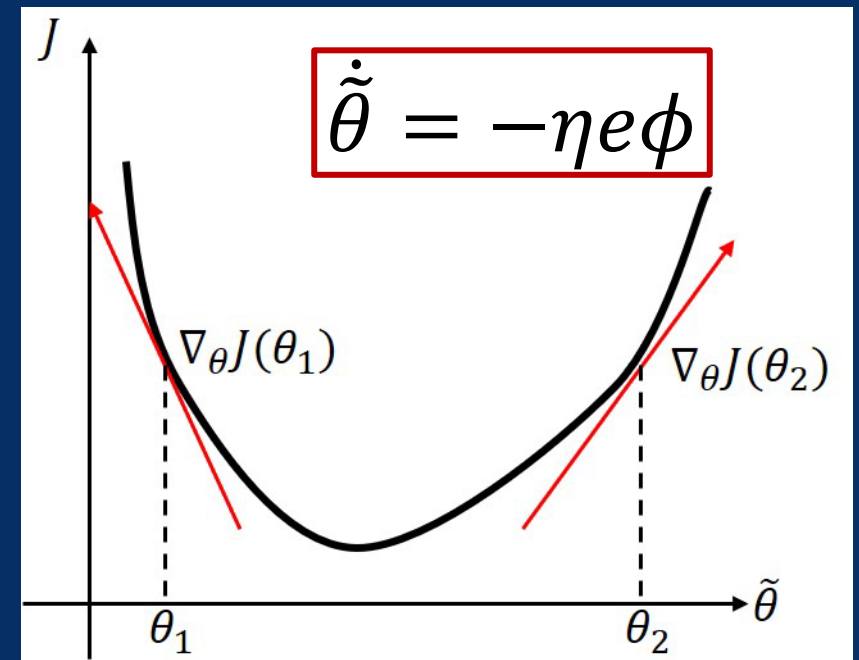
$$J = e^2$$

$$\dot{\tilde{\theta}} = -\eta_t \nabla J$$

Stability Framework:*

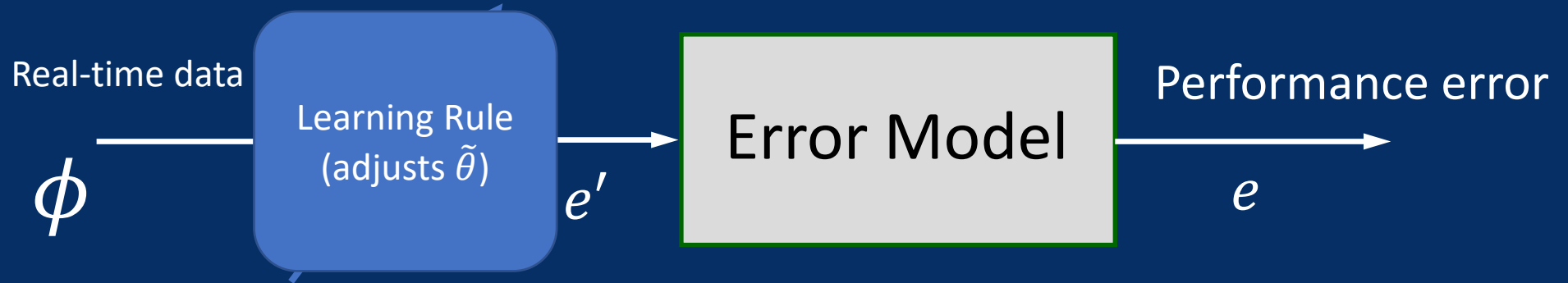
$$V = \|\tilde{\theta}\|^2$$

$$\dot{V} = 2\tilde{\theta}^T \dot{\tilde{\theta}} = -2\eta \tilde{\theta}^T e \phi = -2\eta e^2 \leq 0$$



Robbins and Munro, 1951

* Narendra and Annaswamy, 1989



- e' cannot be measured, but only after some latencies as e .
- Performance and Learning are conflicting objectives
- With persistent excitation, $\tilde{\theta}(t) \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$ **Learning!**
- With imperfect learning, guaranteed performance can be ensured: $e(t) \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$ **Control Performance**
- Use a stability (Lyapunov) framework

Goal: Find *learning rules* for adjusting $\tilde{\theta}$ so that $\dot{V} \leq 0$

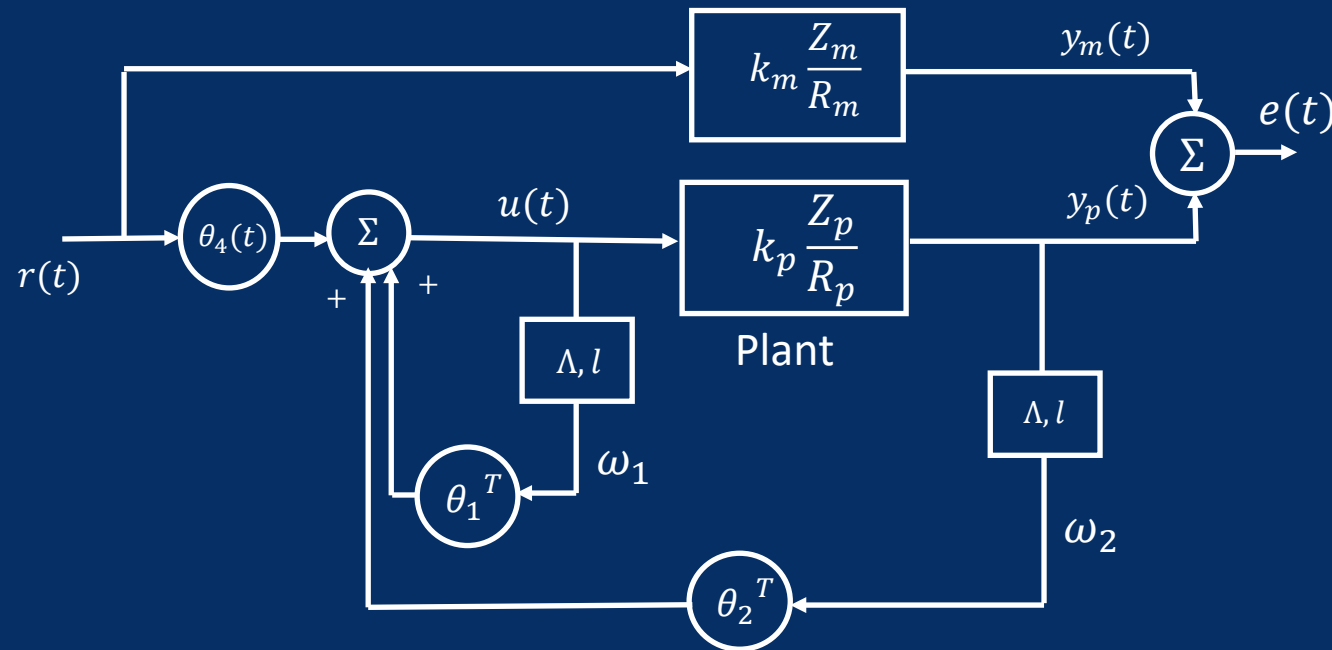
$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= f(x, \theta, u) \\ y &= g(x, \theta, u)\end{aligned}$$

1. f, g : linear. Stability established in 1980.
2. Robustness to disturbances and unmodeled dynamics in the '90s.
3. f, g : nonlinear. Stability and robustness established in 1990-2000.

$$\begin{aligned}u &= C_1(\omega, \theta_c(t), e) \\ \dot{\theta}_c &= C_2(\omega, \theta_c(t), e)\end{aligned}$$

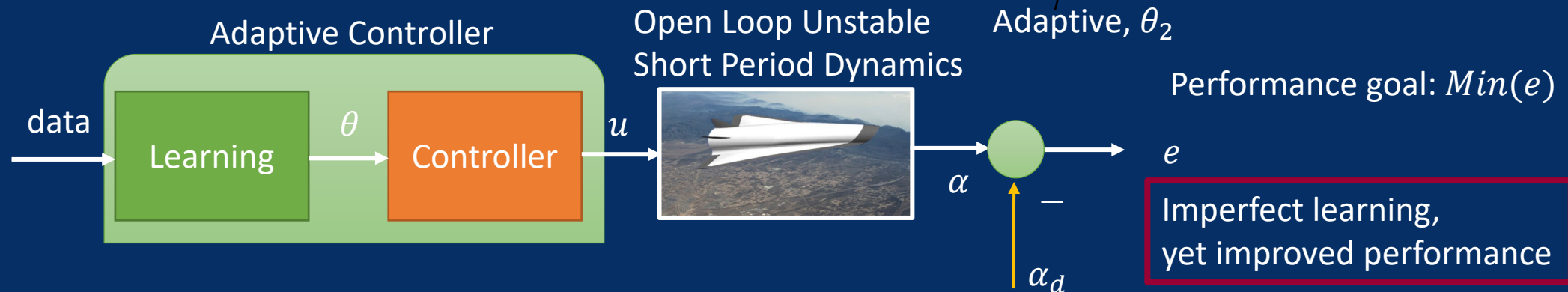
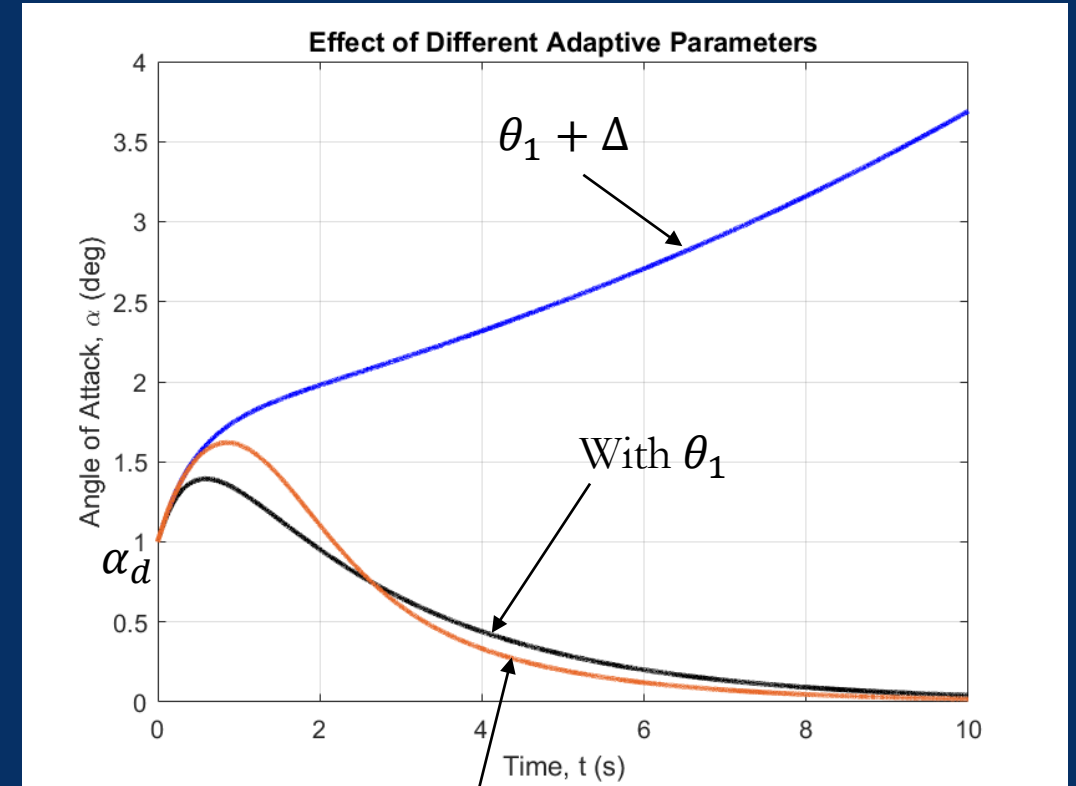
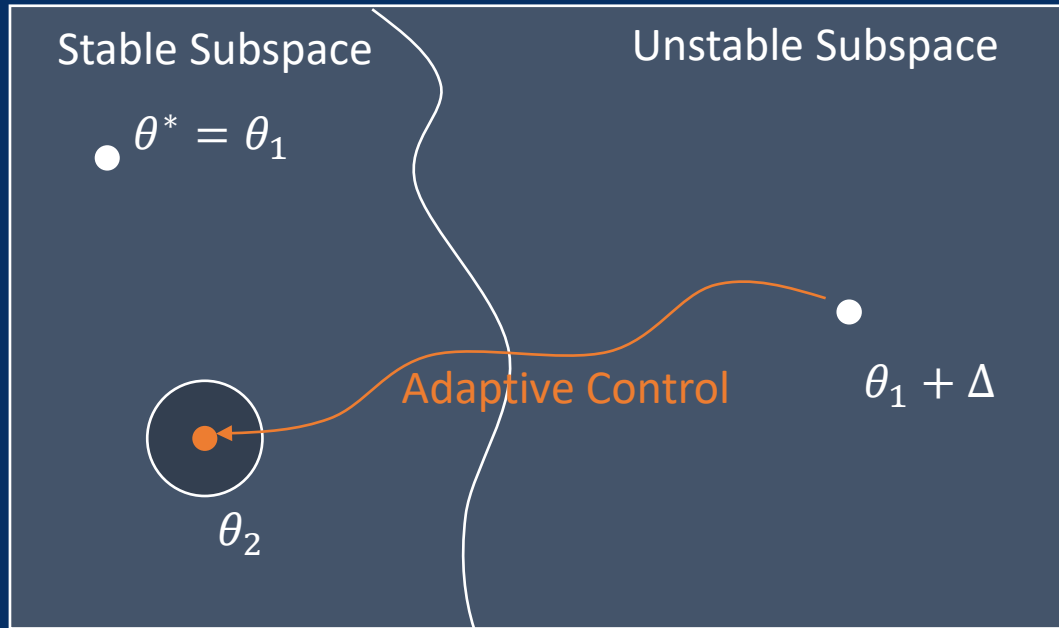
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Adaptive Controller Structure



- $\exists \theta_1, \theta_2, \lambda, \theta_4$ s.t. Plant + Controller = Reference model
- Adaptive law: $\dot{\theta}(t) = -\Gamma e(t)\omega(t)$ ($n^* = 1$); SPR model; Kalman-Yakubovich lemma
- For $n^* \geq 2$: augmented error, high-order tuner, back-stepping

Guarantees with Imperfect Learning



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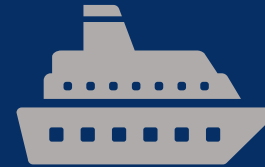
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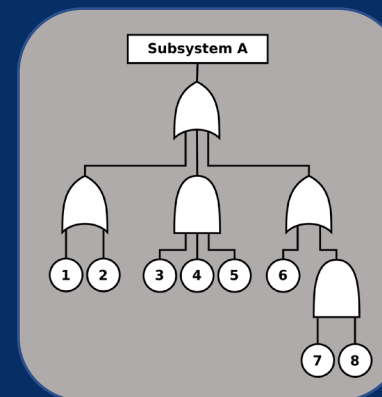


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Adaptive Control

- Model-based
- On-line control
- Integration with cyber
- Integration with human decision-making

Traditional Approaches to Safety Guarantees

Adaptive Control with Learning: Applications



Improved performance and reliability

Unmanned Flight Control Applications



Courtesy Boeing Company

Machine Learning

The ability of a computer to learn using on-line data

- Significant success in image & speech recognition, games

Motivation:

- Complex environment
- Hard to sense
- Difficult to model
- Big-data & Computational complexity

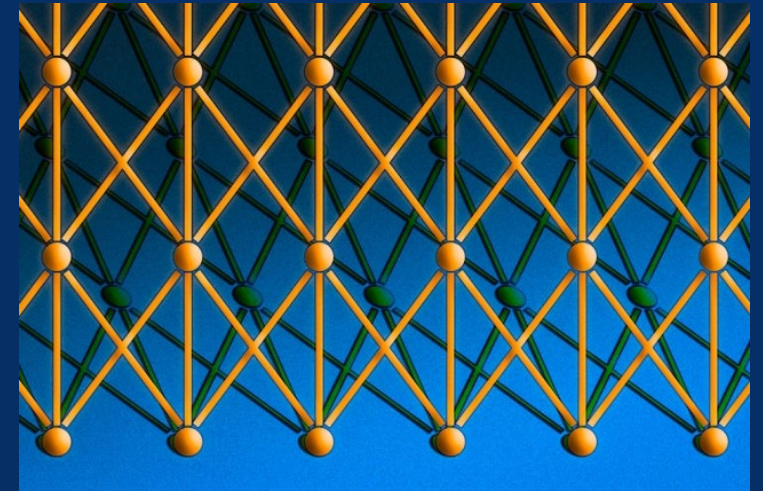
Typical approaches for learning:

1. Approximation of a Nonlinear Mapping
 - *Neural Networks*
2. Optimization of a Cost Function
 - *Reinforcement Learning*

1. Neural Networks: A popular learning methodology

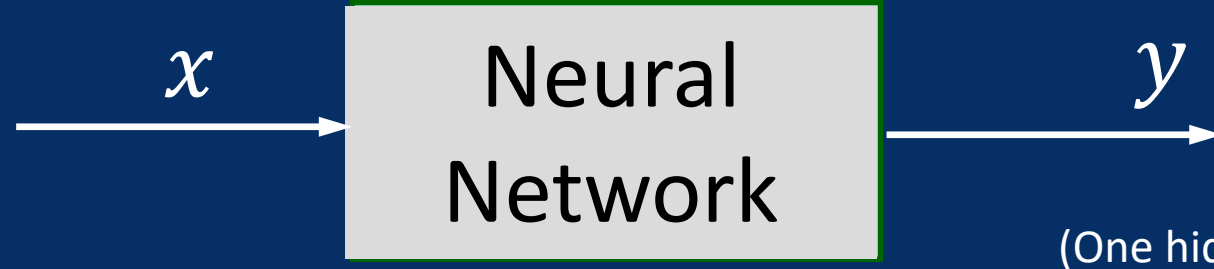
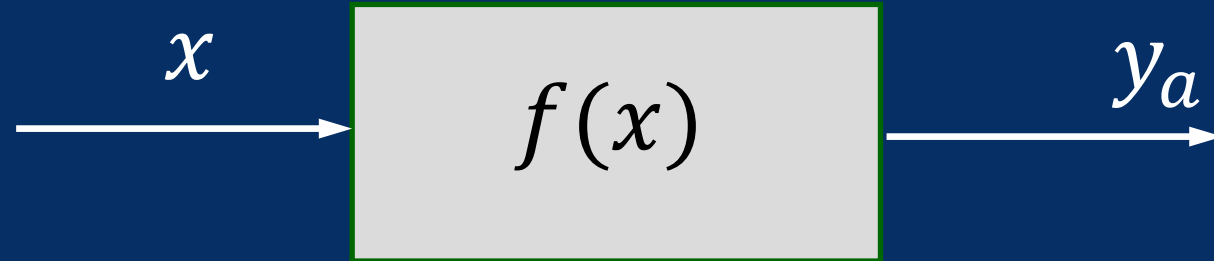
A bit of history

- Proposed in 1944 by McCullough and Pitts
- Controversy in the '70s: Multilayered Perceptrons, Minsky and Papert
- Resurgence in the 1980s
- A re-resurgence in the 21st century – fast processing power of graphics



(from MIT News)

Universal Approximation Theorem

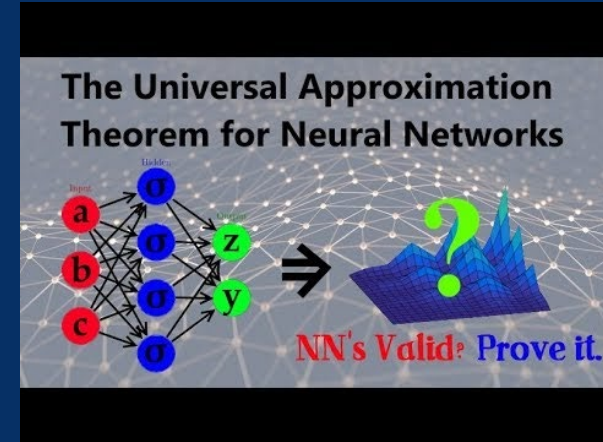


$$y = \sum_{i=1}^N w_{2i}^{*T} \phi(w_{1i}^{*T} x + b_i)$$

(One hidden layer)

$\phi(\cdot)$: activation function

$$\dot{\theta} = -\Gamma \nabla_{\theta} L_t(\theta)$$

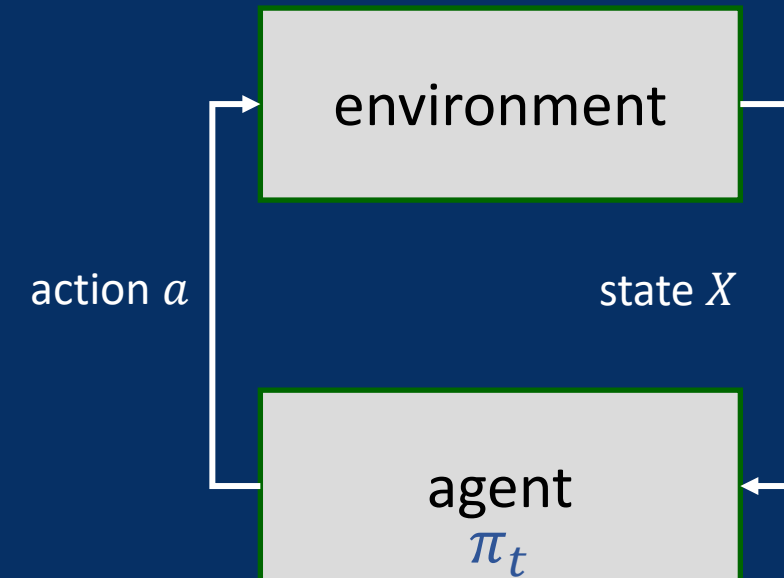


(From YouTube, *Why do Nnets work?*)

For $\epsilon > 0, \exists N, w^*$ s.t. $|y_a - y| \leq \epsilon \quad \forall x \in X$

Estimate weights w_j using back-propagation

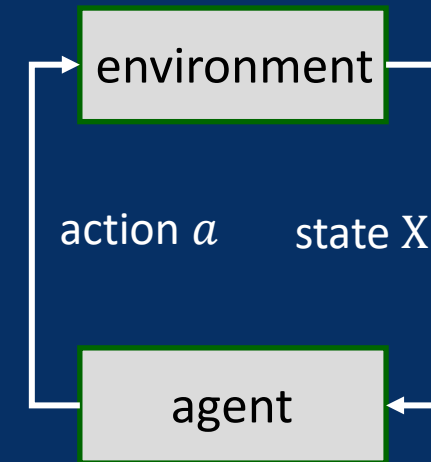
- Model/Environment: Markov Decision Process
- Maximize a Value function $V(x_i) = \mathbb{E}[\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \gamma^t R(X_t) | X_0 = x_i]$; γ : Discount factor
- $R(X_i)$: Reward associated with X_i
- Control/Agent: Policy π_t
- Choose π_t such that $V(x_i)$ is optimized



- Express using a Q -function $Q^*(x_i, u) := R(x_i, u) + \gamma \sum_{j \in [n]} a_{ij}^u V^*(x_j)$

$[n]$: future instants

- Model/Environment: Markov Decision Process
- Maximize $Q(x_i, u)$; Optimal policy: $\pi^*(x_i) = \operatorname{argmax}_{u \in \mathcal{U}} Q^*(x_i, u)$
- Approximate $Q(x_i, u)$ by $Q_\theta(x_i, u)$:
 - Linear regression: $Q_\theta(x_i, u) = \boldsymbol{\theta}^\top \boldsymbol{\psi}(x_i, u)$
 - Neural networks: $Q_\theta = \sum_{i=1}^N \theta_{2i}^{*T} \phi(\theta_{1i}^{*T} x + \theta_{1u}^T u + b_i)$



Estimate the unknown parameters through an iterative algorithm: $\theta_{k+1} = \theta_k - \gamma_k \nabla L_k(\theta_k)$

- Unknown nonlinear system: $\dot{x} = f(x, u)$
- Minimize infinite-horizon cost: $J(u; x_0) = \int_0^{\infty} r(x, u) dt$
- Optimal cost-to-go: $V^*(x_0) = \inf_u J(u; x_0)$
- Hamilton-Jacobi-Bellman Equation: $0 = \inf_a \{ \partial_x V^*(x) f(x, a) + r(x, a) \}$
- Optimal control policy: $\mu^*(x) = \operatorname{arginf}_a \{ \partial_x V^*(x) f(x, a) + r(x, a) \}$
- Reinforcement Learning: Policy/Value Iteration

Approximate Policy Iteration for Optimal Control*

- Use neural networks to approximate H_k, V_k and μ_k
 - $\hat{H}(w_k, w, u) \approx H_k(x, u), \quad \hat{V}(c_k, x) \approx V_k(x), \quad \hat{\mu}(\theta_k, x) \approx \mu_k(x)$
- The iterative procedure of the resulting approximate policy iteration:
 - For a sampling period $[t_k, t_{k+1}]$, collect data (x, u) and cost $r(x, u)$
 - Policy evaluation: Given θ_k , solve for w_k and c_k from HJB equation

$$0 = \int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} \hat{H}(w_k, x, \hat{\mu}(\theta_k, x)) dt, \quad \hat{V}(c_k, x) = \int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} (\hat{H}(w_k, x, u) - r(x, u)) dt$$

- Policy improvement: Update $\theta_{k+1} = \inf_{\theta} \hat{H}(w_k, x, \hat{\mu}(\theta, x))$
- Special case: Single layer network reduces the problem to weight estimation
- Estimation accuracy depends on persistent excitation condition

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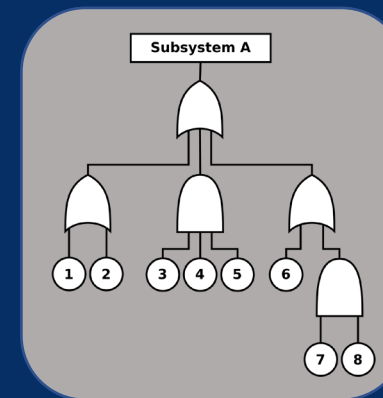
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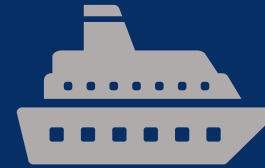
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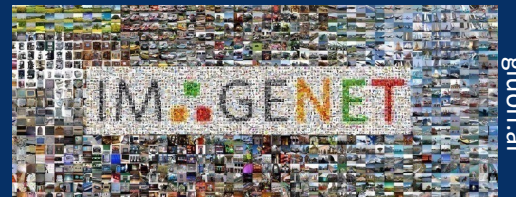


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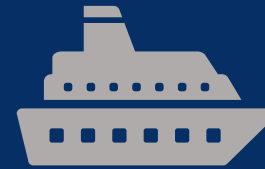
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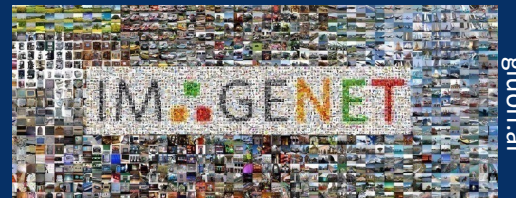


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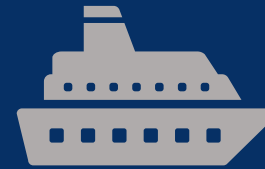
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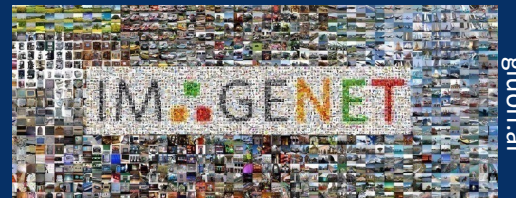


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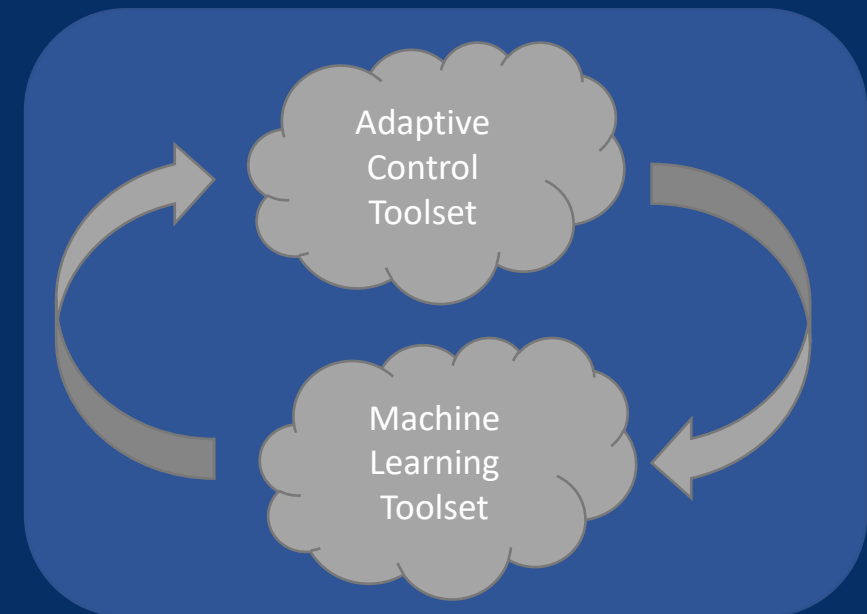
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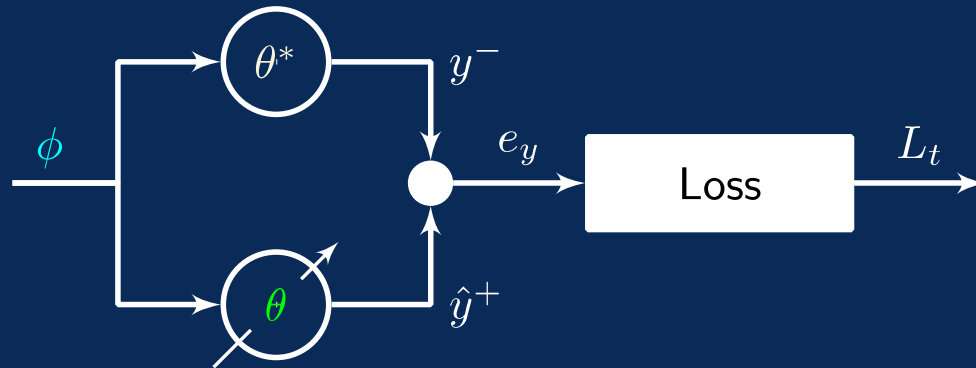
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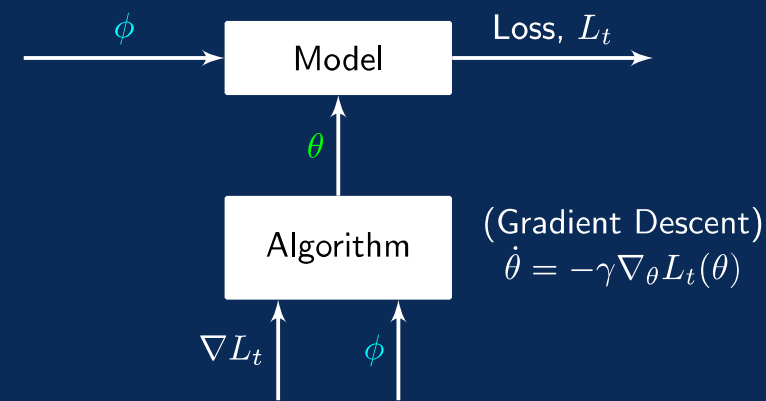
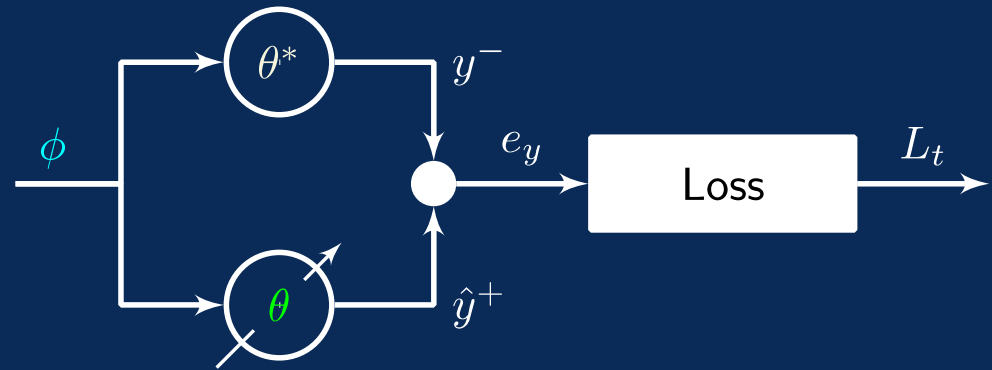
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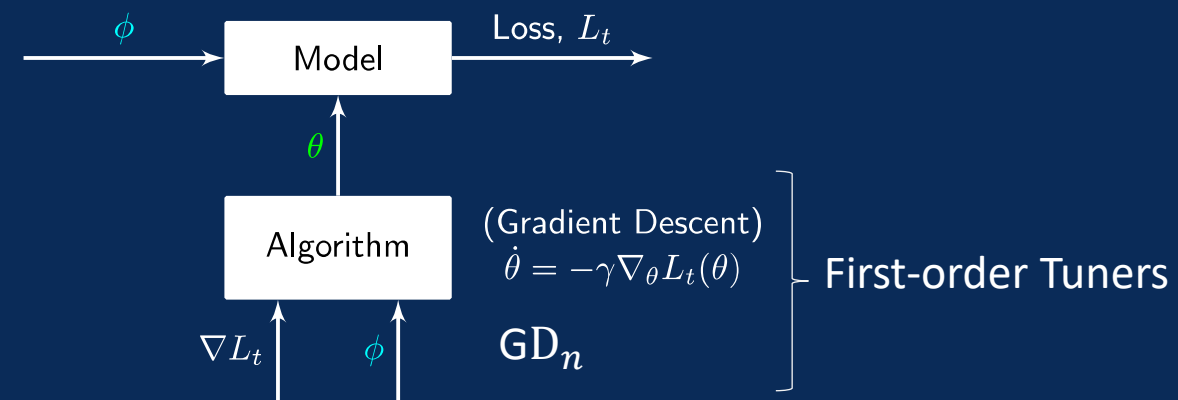
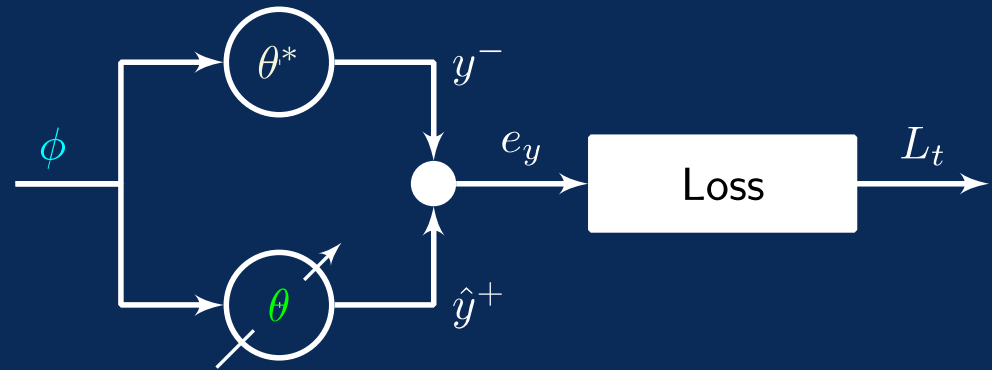
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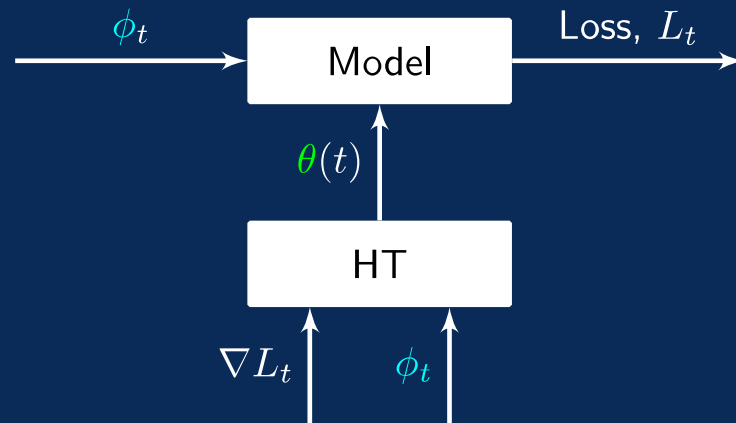
Gradient Descent, Normalized (GD_n):

$$\dot{\theta}(t) = -\frac{\Gamma}{\mathcal{N}_t} \nabla_{\theta} L_t(\theta)$$

Γ : learning rate > 0 ;

$\mathcal{N}_t = 1 + \|\phi\|_2^2$: Normalization

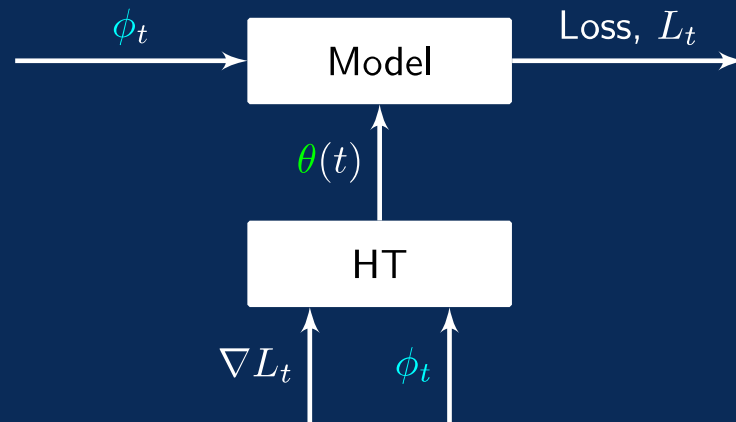
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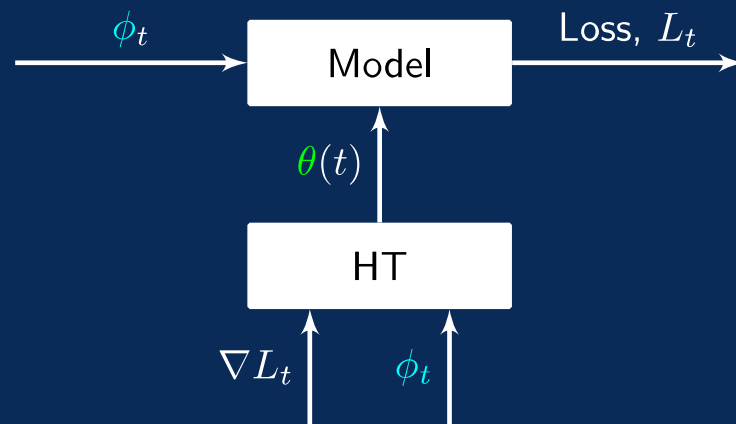
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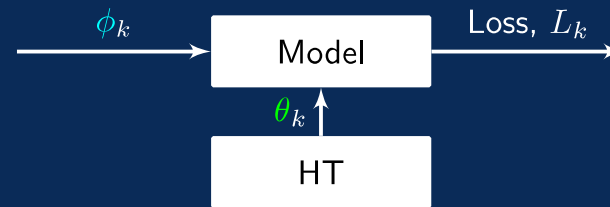
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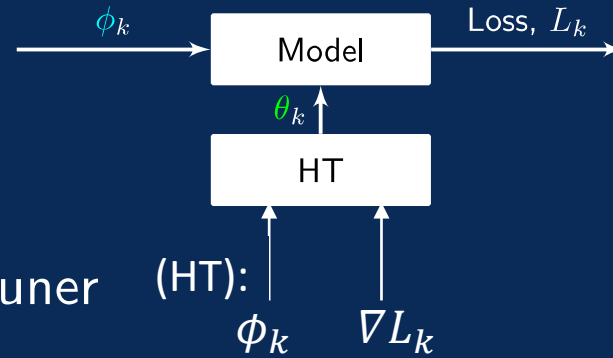
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Current Nnet algorithms:

$$\theta_{k+1} = \theta_k - \gamma_k \nabla_{\theta} L(\theta_k)$$

Discrete and continuous High-Order Tuner (HT):

Proposed Discrete HT

$$\bar{\theta}_k = \theta_k - \gamma\beta \frac{\nabla L_k(\theta_k)}{\mathcal{N}_k}, \quad \mathcal{N}_k = 1 + \|\phi_k\|^2,$$

$$\theta_{k+1} = \bar{\theta}_k - \beta(\bar{\theta}_k - \vartheta_k),$$

$$\vartheta_{k+1} = \vartheta_k - \gamma \frac{\nabla L_k(\theta_{k+1})}{\mathcal{N}_k}$$

Proposed Continuous HT

$$\dot{\vartheta} = -\frac{\gamma}{\mathcal{N}_t} \nabla_{\theta} L_t(\theta),$$

$$\dot{\theta} = -\beta(\theta - \vartheta)$$

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Adaptive Control tools: Convergence of errors to zero.

▷ Asymptotic Tools: $f(\theta_k) - f(\theta^*) \rightarrow 0$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$

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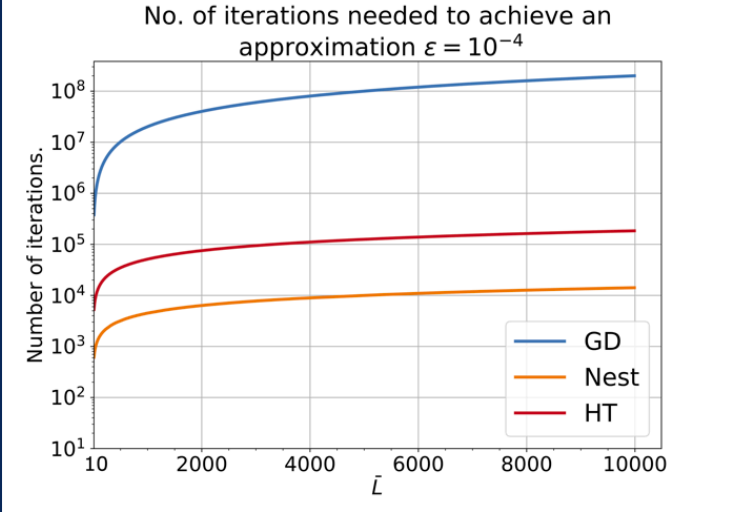
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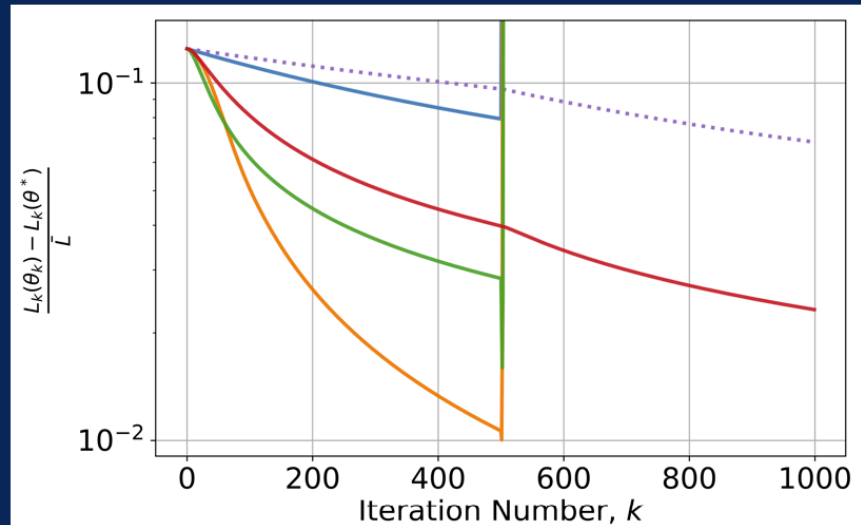
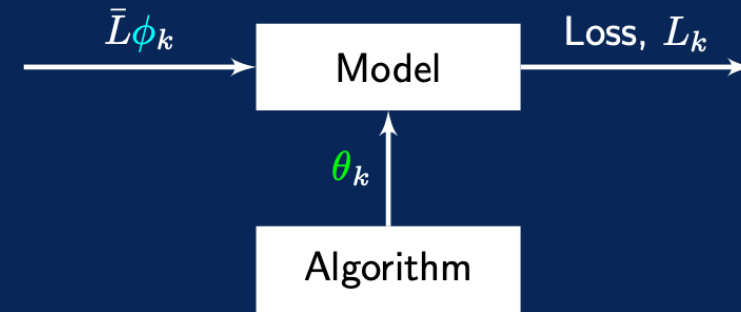
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Non-asymptotic Properties: Example 1*

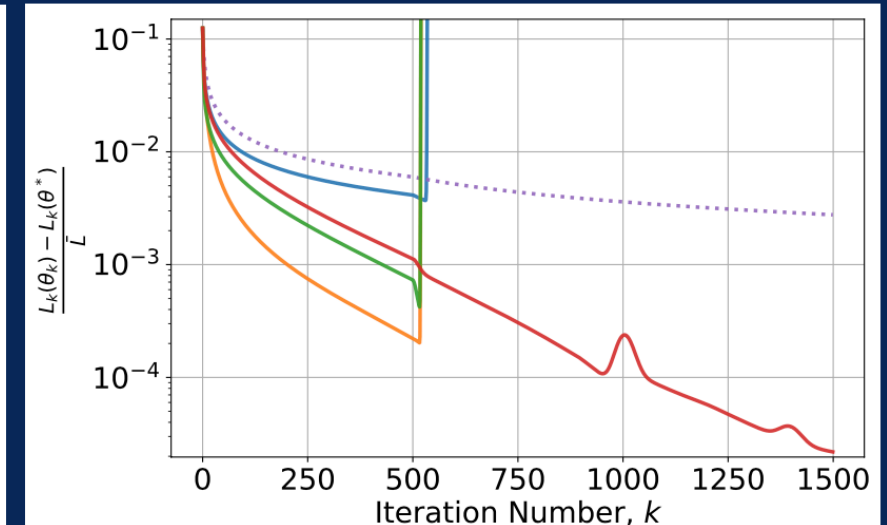
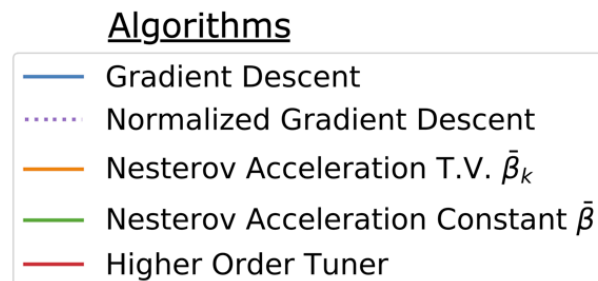
Modified Smooth-Hard Problem, with time-varying regressors*

$$L_k(\theta_k) = \|\phi_k^T \theta_k\|^2 + B_k^T \theta_k$$

(quadratic, non-homogeneous, convex)



(a)



(b)

Figure: (a) At iteration $k = 500$, step change in \bar{L} from 2 to 8000. (b) At iteration $k = 500$, step change in \bar{L} , from 2 to 8.

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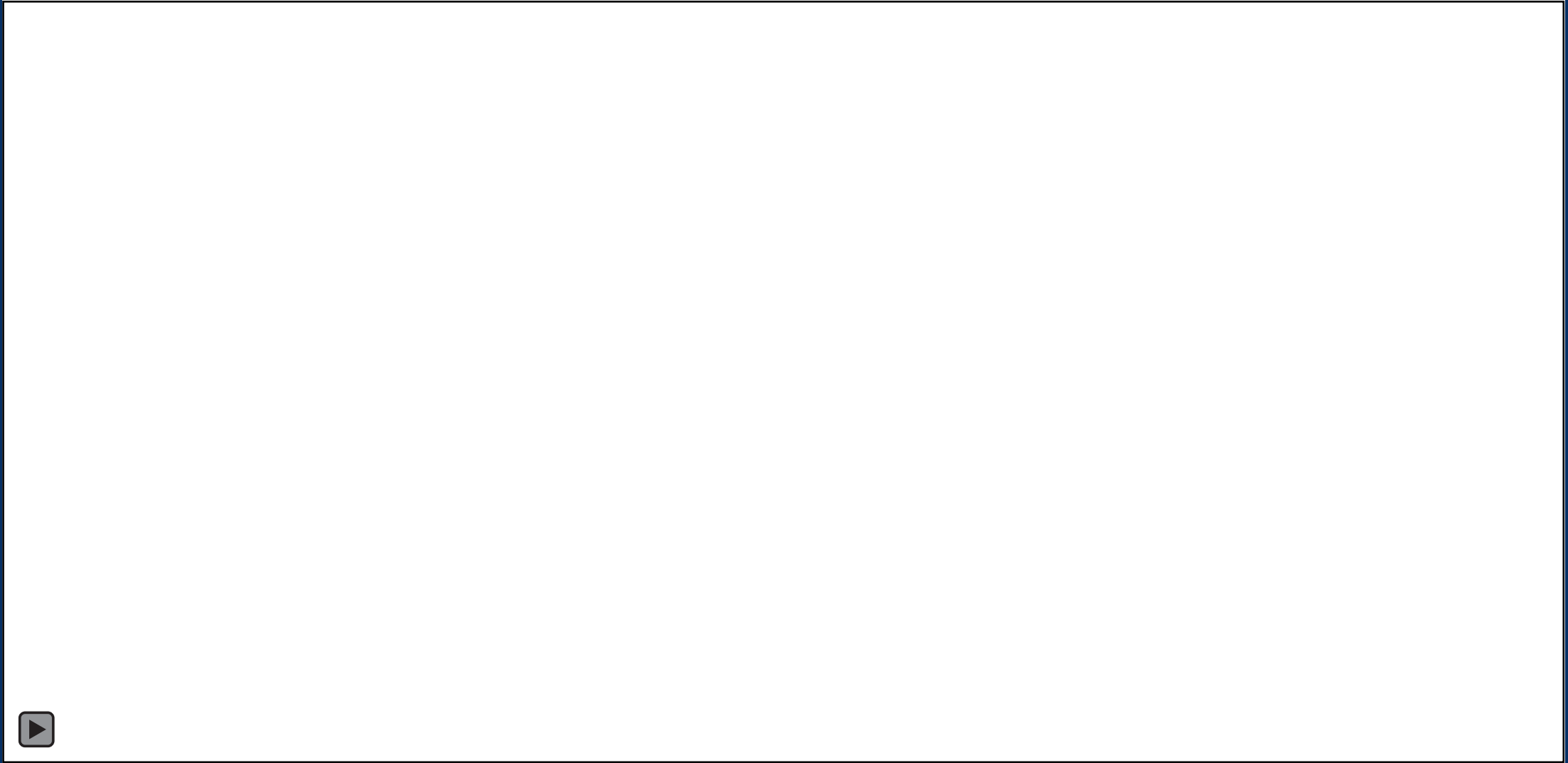
Blurring can be caused by many factors:

- Movement during the image capture process, by the camera or, when long exposure times are used, by the subject
- Out-of-focus optics, use of a wide-angle lens, atmospheric turbulence, or a short exposure time, which reduces the number of photons captured
- Scattered light distortion in confocal microscopy
- Model for blur*:

$$y = \phi^T \theta^* + n$$

* <https://www.mathworks.com/help/images/image-deblurring.html>

De-Blurring an Image with a Time-Varying Blur^{*},^{**}

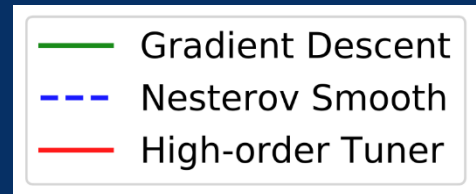


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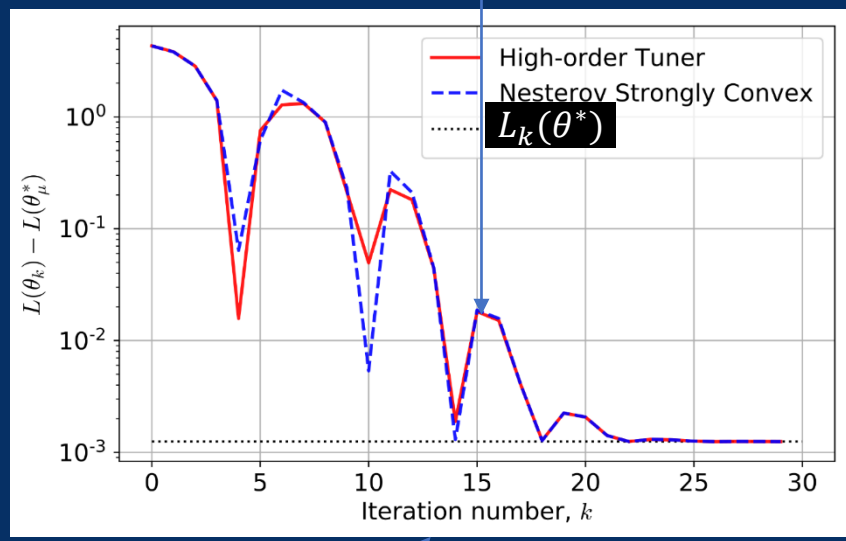
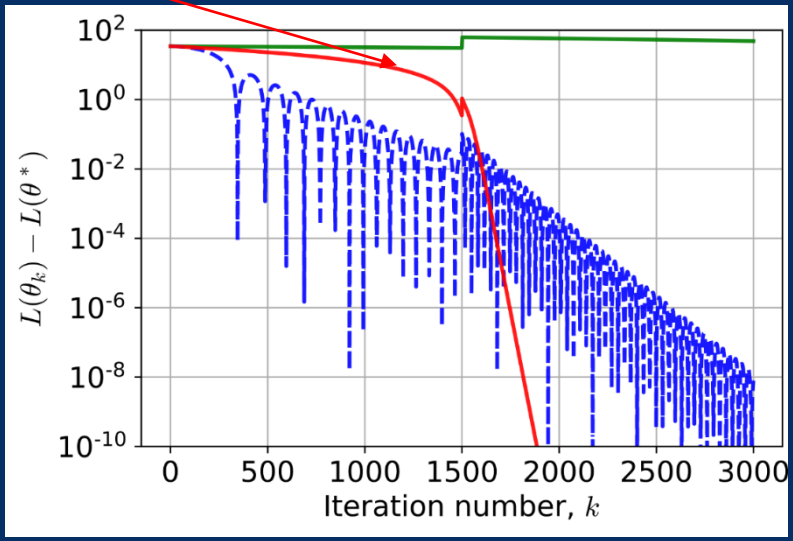
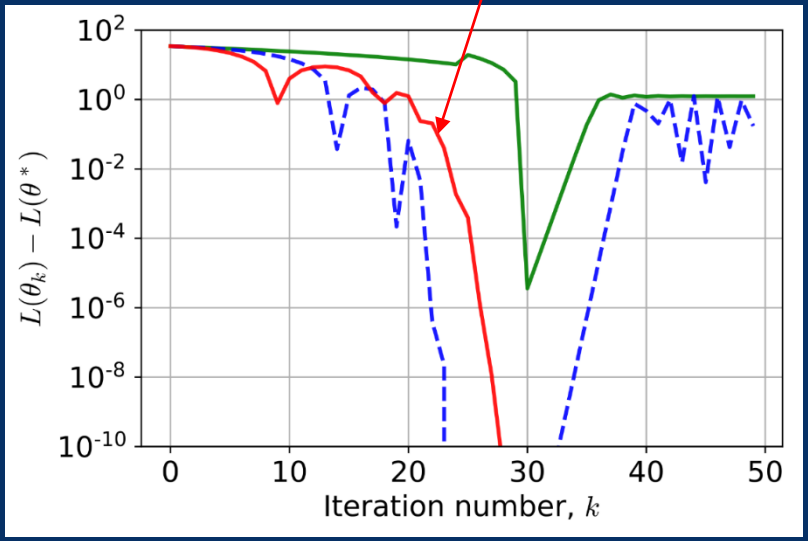
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High-order Tuner for Convex and Dynamic Loss Functions*

Stable performance with dynamics



Accelerated performance



Step change in b_k from 7 to 14 at $k = 25$

Step change in b_k from 7 to 14 at $k = 1500$

No change in b_k

$$\text{Loss: } L_k(\theta) = \log(a_k e^{b_k \theta} + a_k e^{-b_k \theta})$$

$$\text{Loss: } L_k(\theta) = \log(a_k e^{b_k \theta} + a_k e^{-b_k \theta}) + \frac{\mu}{2} \|\theta - \theta_0\|^2$$

* Moreu, José M., and Anuradha M. Annaswamy. "A Stable High-order Tuner for General Convex Functions." *IEEE L-CSS*, 2021.

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*** Gaudio, Joseph E., et al. "A Class of High Order Tuners for Adaptive Systems." *IEEE L-CSS*, 2020.

Summary of High-order Tuners

- ▷ A new algorithm that utilizes a High-order Tuner (HT) has been proposed
- ▷ Leads to stability.
- ▷ Has no Hamiltonian; Lagrangian has similarities to that in Wibisono et al. PNAS, 2015.
- ▷ Has very nice accelerated learning properties.

Algorithm	Constant Regressor # Iterations	Time-Varying Regressor
Gradient Descent Normalized	$\mathcal{O}(1/\epsilon)$	Stable
Gradient Descent Fixed	$\mathcal{O}(1/\epsilon)$	Unstable
Nesterov Acceleration Varying	$\mathcal{O}(1/\sqrt{\epsilon})$	Unstable
Nesterov Acceleration Fixed	$\mathcal{O}(1/\sqrt{\epsilon} \cdot \log(1/\epsilon))$	Unstable
HT	$\mathcal{O}(1/\sqrt{\epsilon} \cdot \log(1/\epsilon))$	Stable

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Consider a standard LQR problem in the presence of unmodeled dynamics:

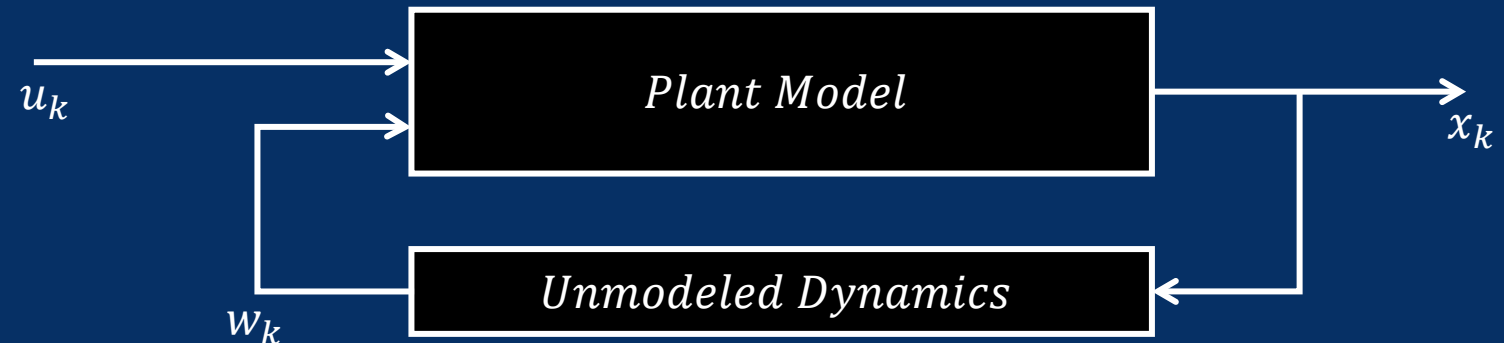
$$x_{k+1} = A_* x_k + B_* u_k + w_k + \eta_k, \quad w_k = g(x_0, w_0, \dots, w_{k-1}, u_0, \dots, u_k)$$

w_k : unmodeled dynamics; η_k : measurement noise

Unknown A_* and B_*

Goal:

- Learn A_* and B_*
- Determine an LQR controller: $\min_{\mathbf{u}} J: \sum_k (x_k^T Q x_k + u_k^T R u_k)$
- **Develop a non-asymptotic approach**



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Definition 1 (Sub-Gaussian Spectral Line).

A stochastic sequence $\{u_k\}_{k \geq k_0}$ is said to have a sub-Gaussian spectral line from i to $i + S$ at a frequency ω_0 of amplitude $\bar{u}(\omega_0)$ and radius R if

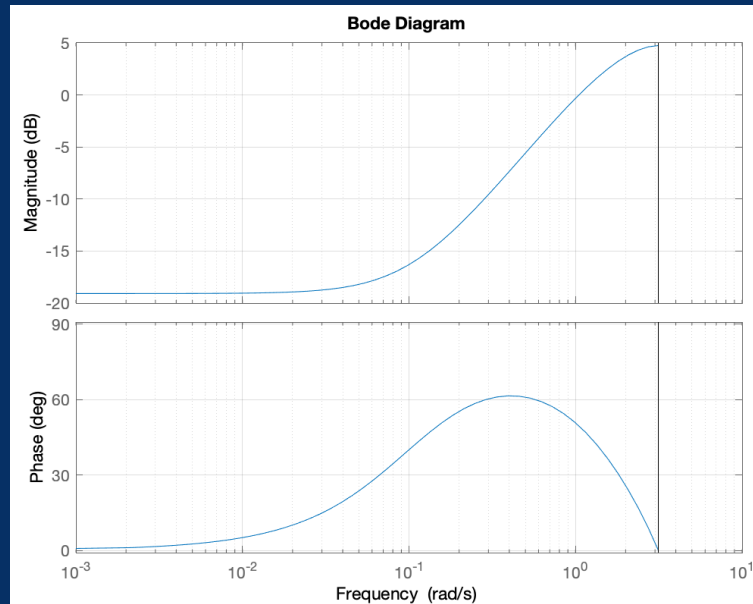
$$\frac{1}{S+1} \sum_{k=i}^{i+S} u_k e^{-j\omega_0 k} - \bar{u}(\omega_0) \sim \text{subG}(R^2 / (S+1)).$$

The definition above admits a natural decoupling by which we can use $\bar{u}(\omega_0)$ to apply tools from adaptive control, and the variance proxy of the sub-Gaussian noise to make claims with high probability.

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A Spectral Lines-Based Algorithm*

- Our approach: learn from a deterministic input with chosen frequency content
- Idea: choose frequency content to keep w_k small



Algorithm 2 Example of LQR Control with Sub-Gaussian Spectral Lines

- 1: **Require:** Frequency Constraint Set \mathcal{F} , Stabilizing Controller $K^{(0)}$, failure probability $\delta \in (0, 1)$, Amplitude Constraint M , Cost Matrices Q, R
- 2: **for** $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ **do**
- 3: **Set** Epoch Time $T_i = C(A_*, B_*, Q, R, \delta) \times 2^i$, where $C(A_*, B_*, Q, R, \delta)$ is a constant function of underlying system parameters,
 Amplitude Constraint $\overline{M}^{(i)} = MT_i^{1/4}$
- 4: **Choose** Distinct $f_1^{(i)}, \dots, f_{\lfloor d/2 \rfloor}^{(i)} \in \mathcal{F}$,
 $M_1^{(i)}, \dots, M_{\lfloor d/2 \rfloor}^{(i)}$,
 such that $\frac{1}{2}\overline{M}^{(i)} \leq M_j^{(i)} \leq \overline{M}^{(i)}$.
- 5: **for** $k = \sum_{\ell=0}^{i-1} T_\ell + 1, \dots, \sum_{\ell=0}^{i-1} T_\ell + T_i$ **do**
- 6: **Define** $u_{spec,k} = \sum_{j=1}^{\lfloor d/2 \rfloor} M_j^{(i)} \cos(2\pi f_j^{(i)} k)$;
- 7: **Assign** $u_k = K^{(i)} x_k + u_{spec,k}$.
- 8: **Receive** $x_{k+1} = A_* x_k + B_* u_k + w_k + \eta_k$
- 9: **end for**
- 10: **Estimate**

$$(\hat{A}, \hat{B}) = \underset{A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{k=\sum_{\ell=0}^{i-1} T_\ell + 1}^{\sum_{\ell=0}^{i-1} T_\ell + T_i} \|x_{k+1} - Ax_k - Bu_k\|_2^2$$

- 11: **Set**

$$K^{(i+1)} = -(R + \hat{B}^\top \hat{P} \hat{B})^{-1} \hat{B}^\top \hat{P} \hat{A}$$

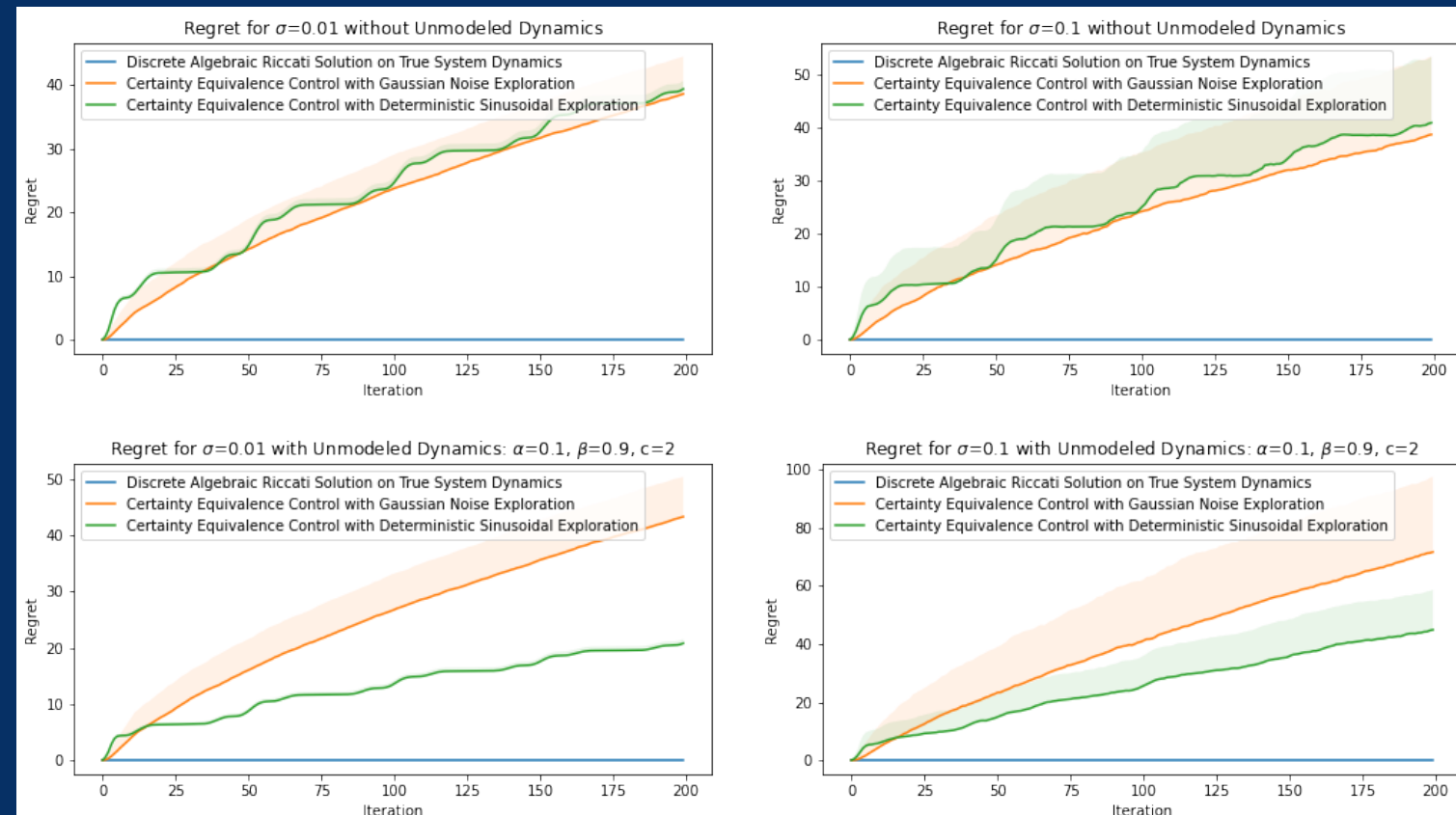
for \hat{P} which satisfies

$$\hat{P} = \hat{A}^\top \hat{P} \hat{A} - \hat{A}^\top \hat{P} \hat{B} (R + \hat{B}^\top \hat{P} \hat{B})^{-1} \hat{B}^\top \hat{P} \hat{A} + Q$$

- 12: **end for**

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- 3rd-order LTI system simulated with two noise-to-signal ratios (σ)
- Unmodeled dynamics $g(\cdot)$ were given by a 1st-order nonlinear high-pass filter
- System was modeled with and without unmodeled dynamics
- Regrets of Algorithms 1 and 2 are **comparable** without unmodeled dynamics:
- With unmodeled dynamics, Algorithm 2 **outperforms** Algorithm 1:



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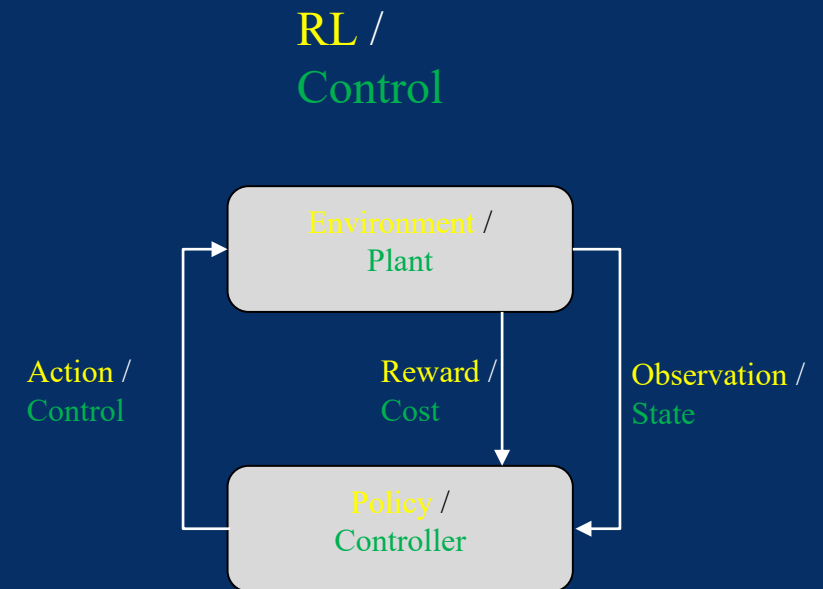
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- Reinforcement Learning
 - Training in Simulation
 - Approximate solutions to difficult optimal control problems
- Adaptive control
 - Online learning
 - Solves constrained class of problems
 - Real time
 - Applicable in continuous and discrete-time



- Idea: Modify the trained policy output $u_r \rightarrow u$ so that the true model tracks the reference model

$$\dot{x}_r = f_r(x_r, u_r); \quad (u_r = \pi(x_r))$$

$$\dot{x} = f(x, u)$$

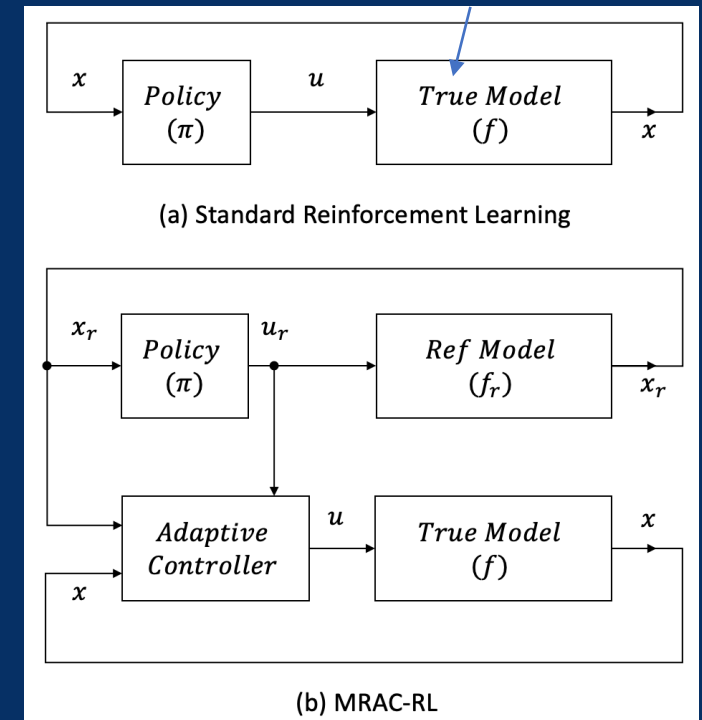
AC-RL:

$$u = u_r + g(e, \hat{\Theta}) \quad e = x - x_r$$

$$\dot{\hat{\Theta}} = \Gamma_\zeta \nabla L(e, \dot{e})$$

- Globally stable for a class of $f(x, u)^*$
- Leads to $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \|e(t)\| = 0$
- Elements of $g(e, \hat{\Theta})$ come from the offline policy and the plant model $f(x, u)$

subjected to parametric changes



Quadrotor: Hover Using Adaptive Control*



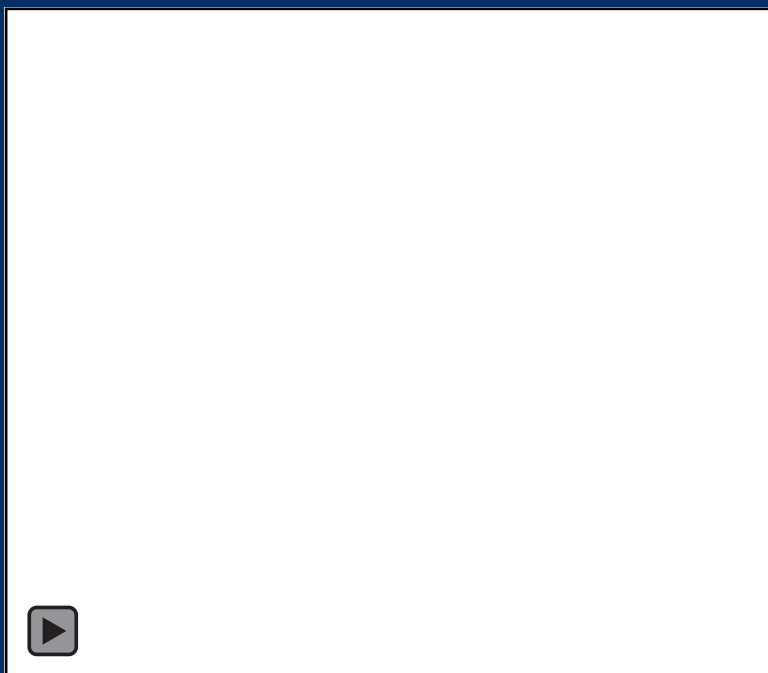
* Dydek, Zachary T., Anuradha M. Annaswamy, and Eugene Lavretsky. "Adaptive control of quadrotor UAVs: A design trade study with flight evaluations." *IEEE Trans. CST*, vol. 21 (2012)

- Autonomous landing of quadrotor on a moving platform
- Parameter uncertainties (25%)
- Loss of Effectiveness (50-75%)
- Success:
 - $|\Delta z| \leq 5cm$ **and**
 - $|\Delta xy| \leq 25cm$ **and**
 - $|\phi|, |\theta| \leq 10^\circ$ **and**
 - $|v_{xy}| \leq 50cm/s$ **and**
 - $|v_z| \leq 10cm/s$
- Failure:
 - $\Delta z \leq 0$ **or**
 - Timeout
- Goal: Succeed ASAP
- Assumptions:
 - Full state feedback
 - Landing pos + vel measurable

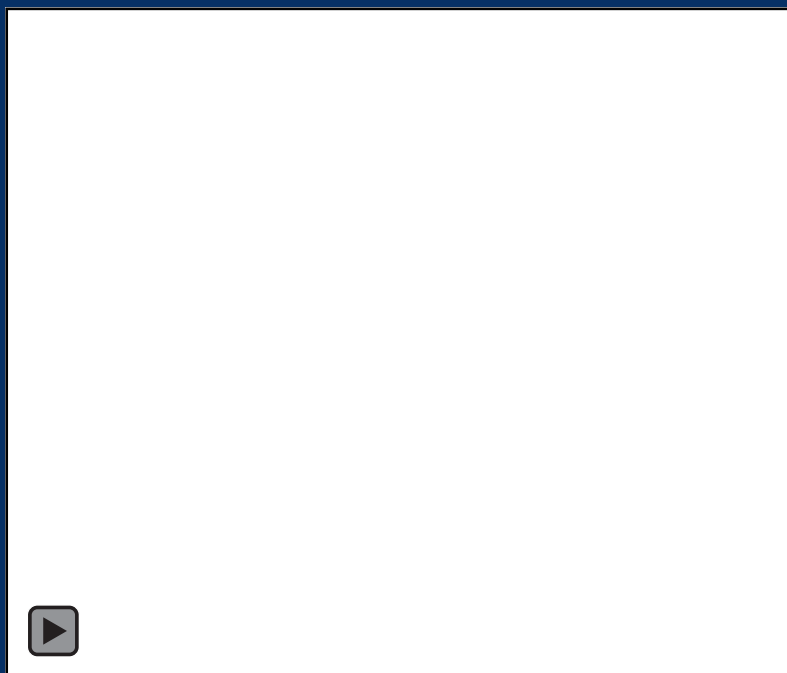


Quadrotor: Land on a moving platform

With 50% Loss of Effectiveness mid-flight



Pure RL



AC-RL

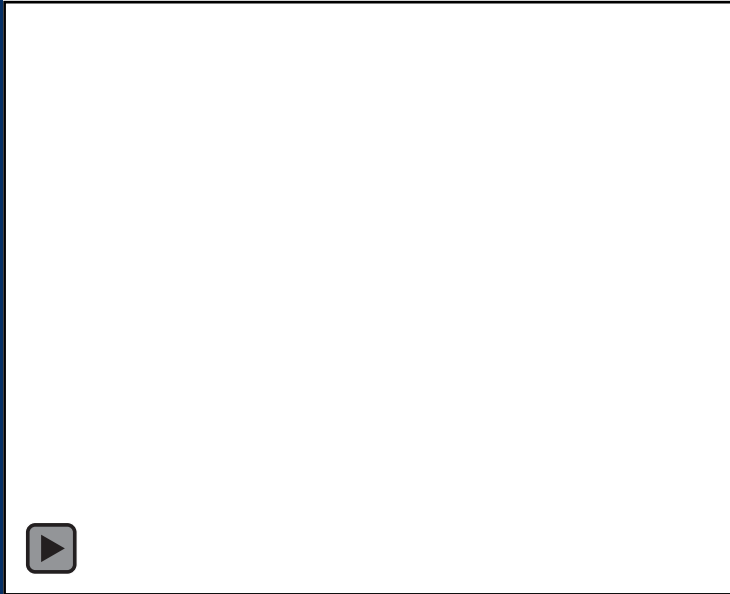
Quadrotor crashes

RL Success Rate	AC-RL Success Rate	LOE
94%	--	0%
71%	95%	10%
28%	81%	25%
4%	47%	50%
0%	11%	75%

Significant
improvement with
AC-RL over pure RL

Quadrotor: Land on a moving platform

With parametric uncertainties mid-flight, comparison with additional training in RL through Domain Randomization (DR-RL)



DR-RL



AC-RL

±25% PARAMETRIC UNCERTAINTY RESULTS

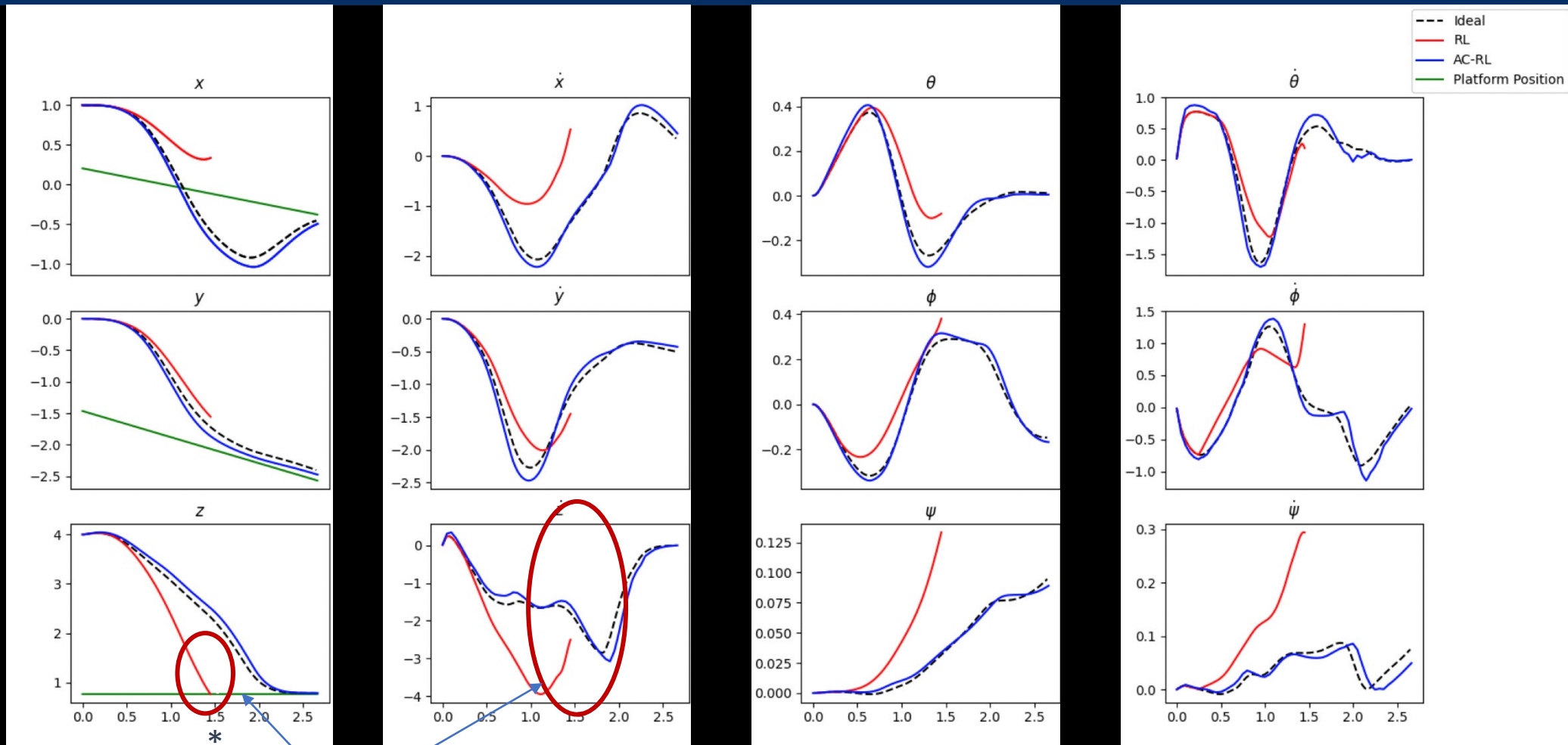
Algorithm	Results	
	Success Rate	Avg. Success Time
<i>RL</i>	48%	7.5s
<i>AC-RL</i>	82%	3.5s
<i>DR-RL</i>	74%	8.9s

- Additional improvement with AC-RL over DR-RL
- Does not require either additional training or computational effort



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Why is AC-RL successful?



Main feature that gives AC-RL an edge

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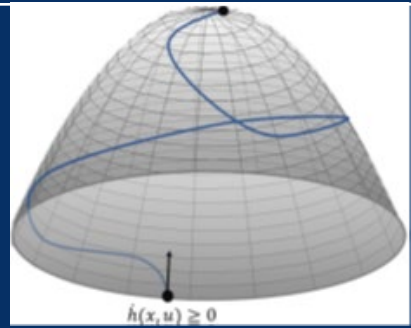
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Performance and Safety in Adaptive Systems

Safety:

Guarantee that $x(t)$ stays within a set \mathcal{C} for any $t \geq 0$.



x_{cmd}

Robust Adaptive Controller

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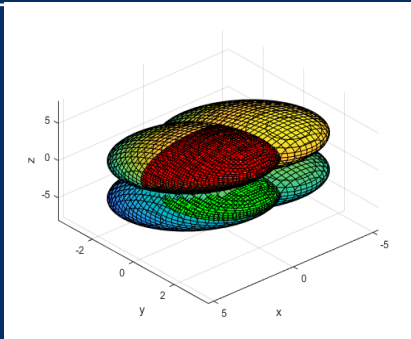
Control surfaces and thrust

Real-time uncertainties, anomalies

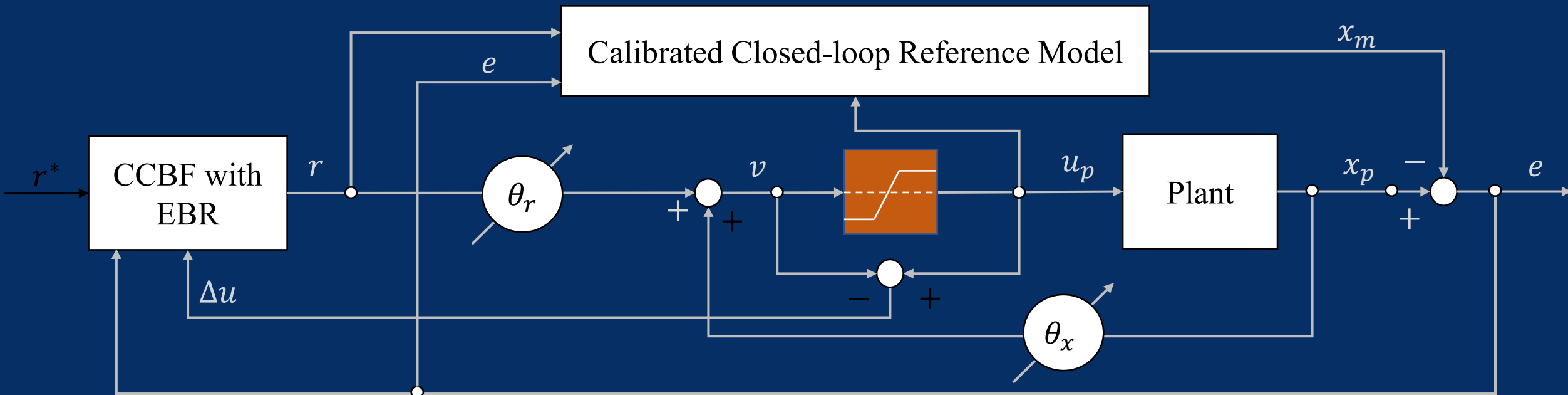


Performance:

Guarantee that $x(t)$ follows a command signal $x_{cmd}(t)$.

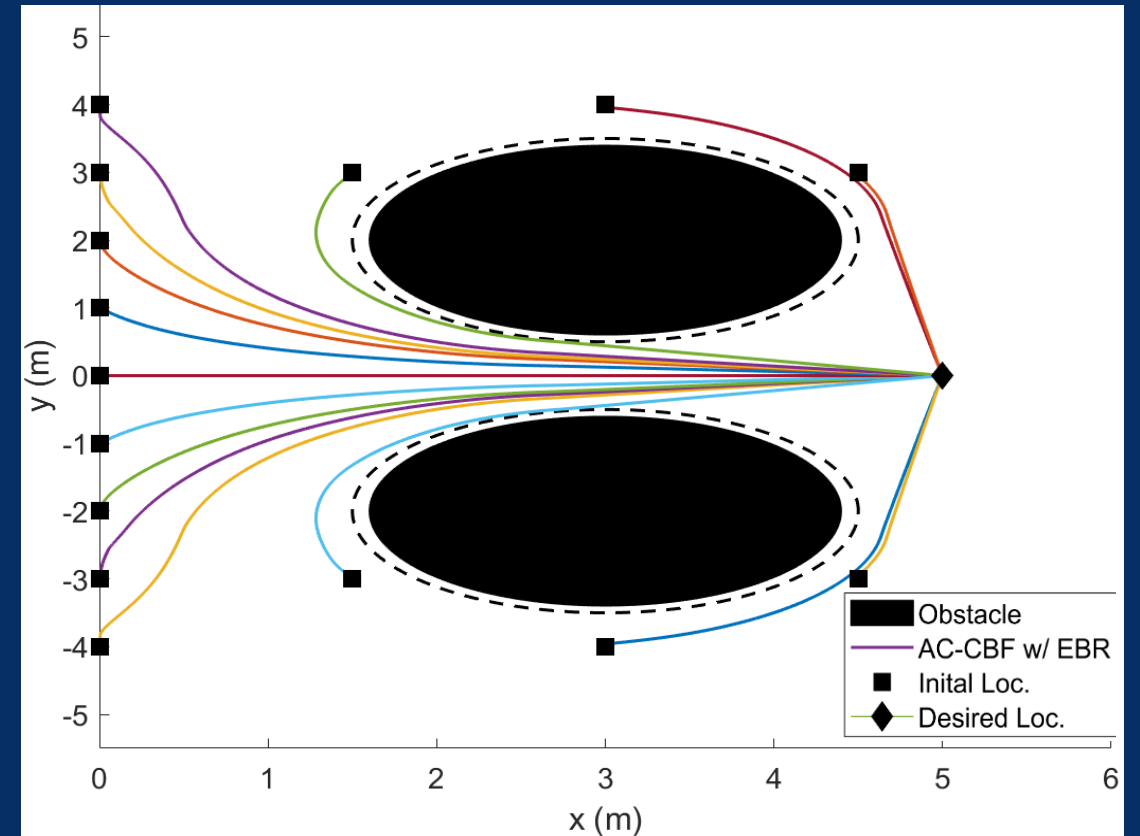
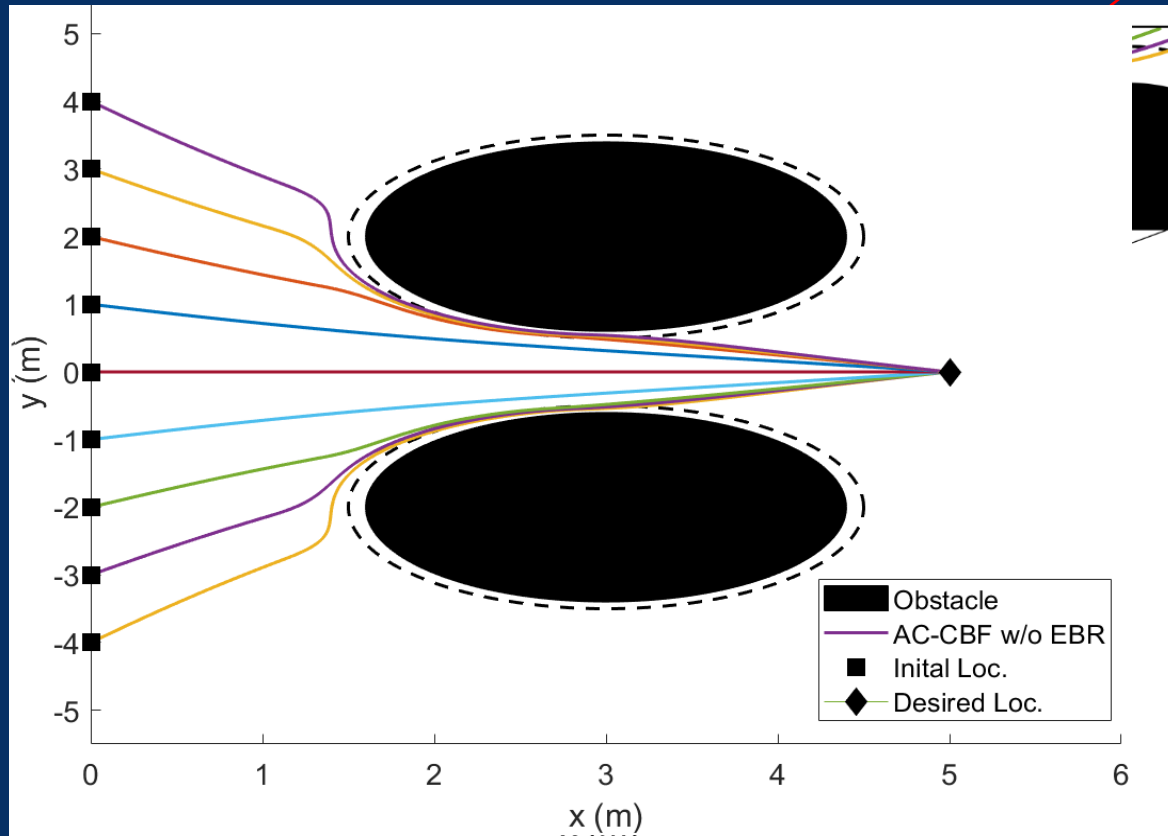


- Adaptive controller accommodates uncertainties and magnitude limits.
- Constraints are met using a calibrated control barrier function (CCBF) for a reference model and an error-based relaxation (EBR).



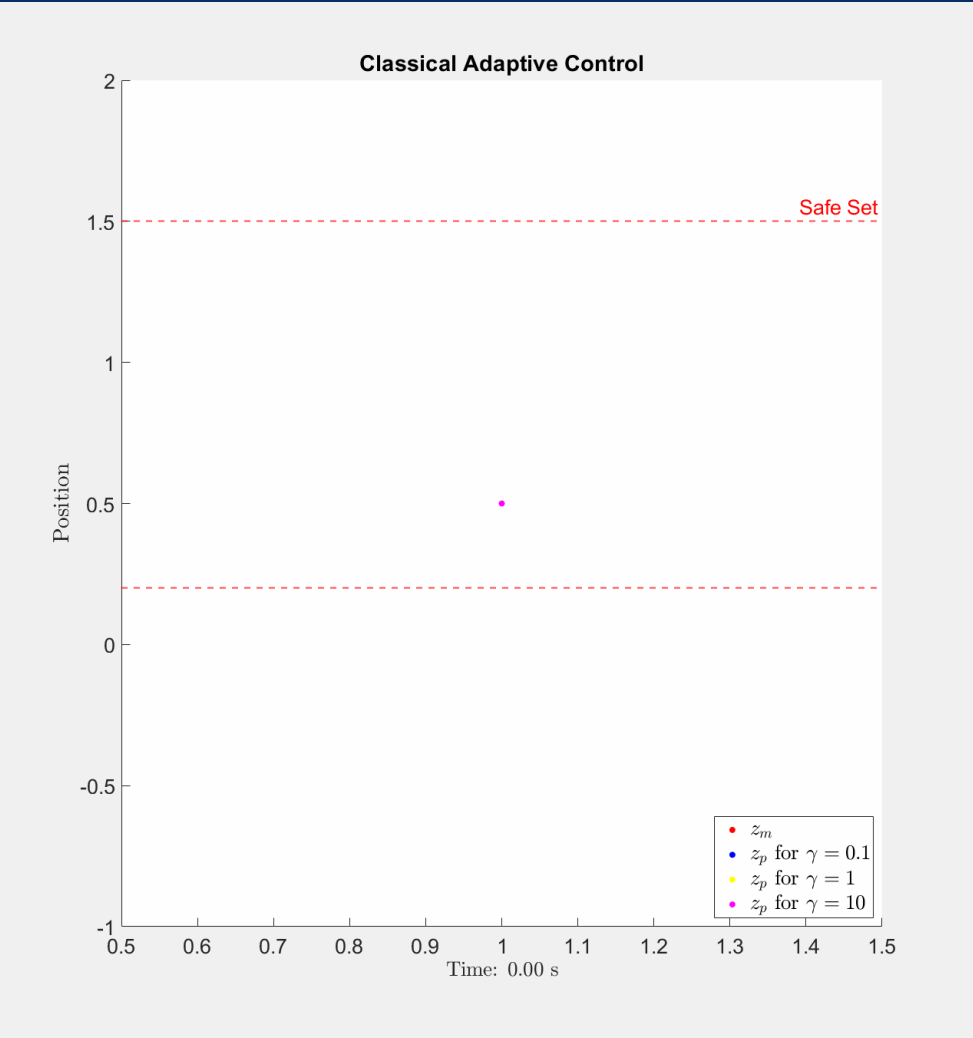
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Example case 1: Obstacle avoidance Constraint violation

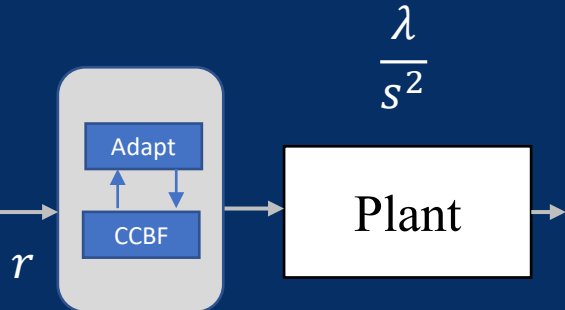


EBR: Error-based Relaxation

Example 2: A double integrator (using Simulink Desktop Real-time Emulator)



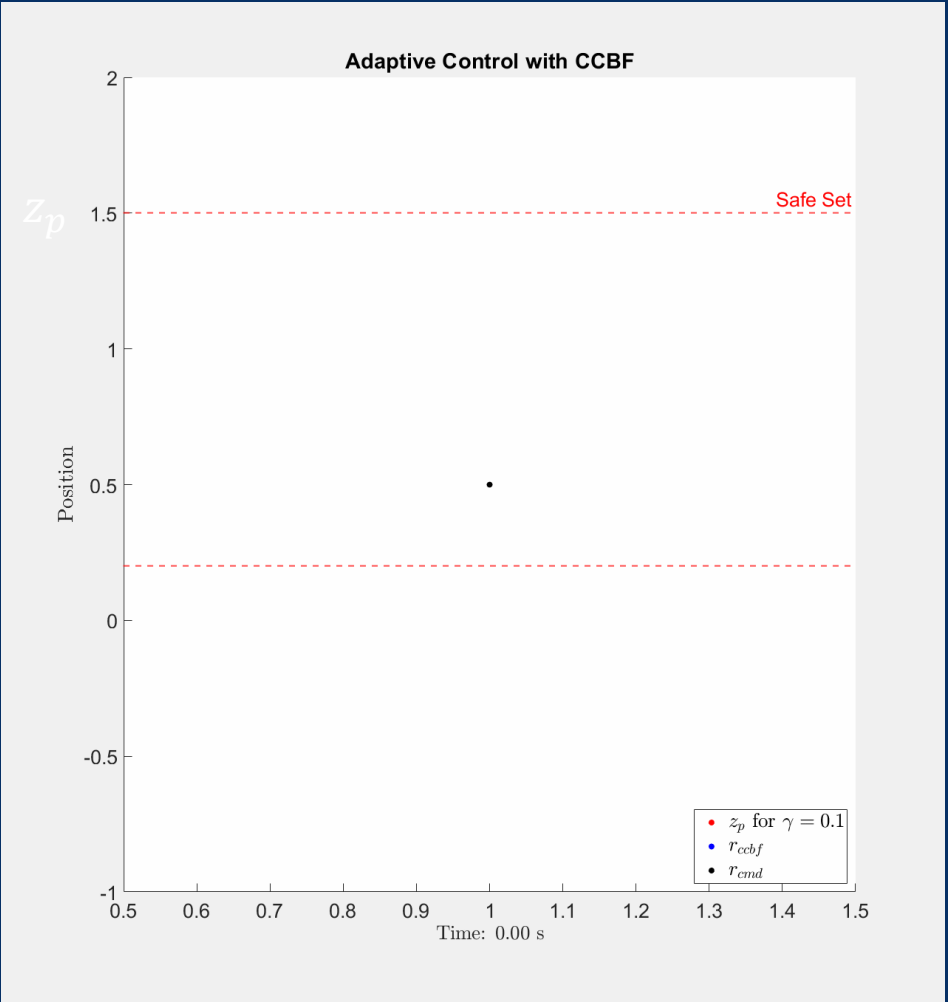
Stability



λ : loss of effectiveness

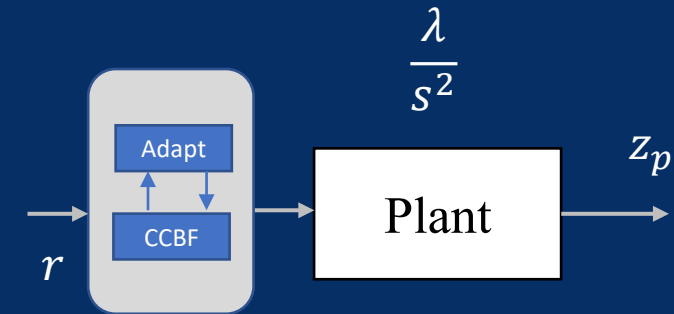
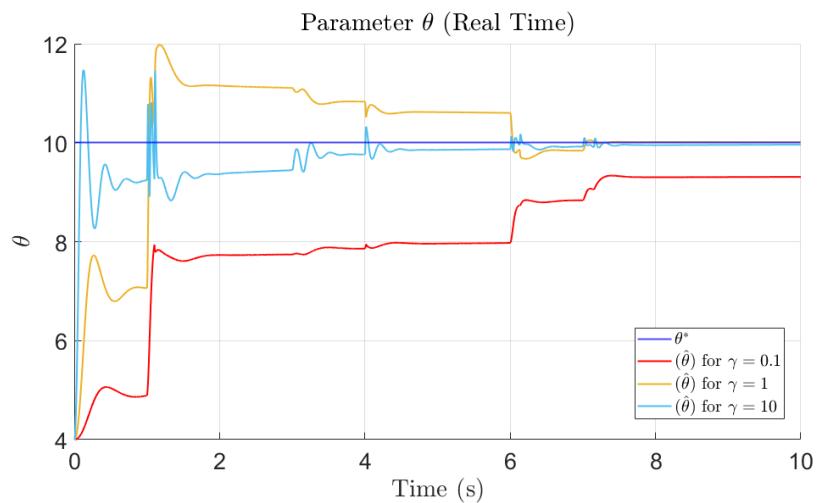
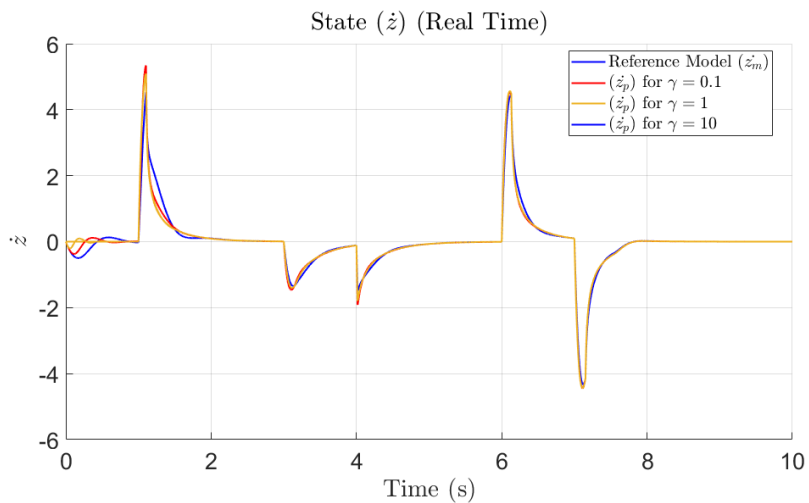
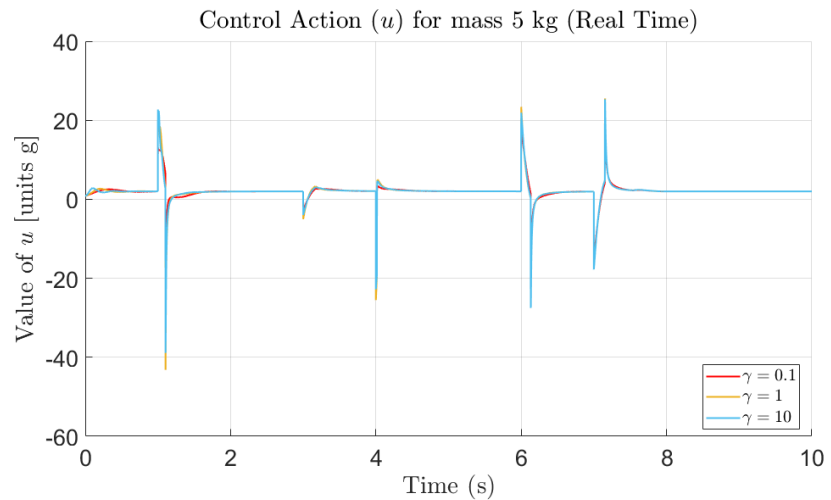
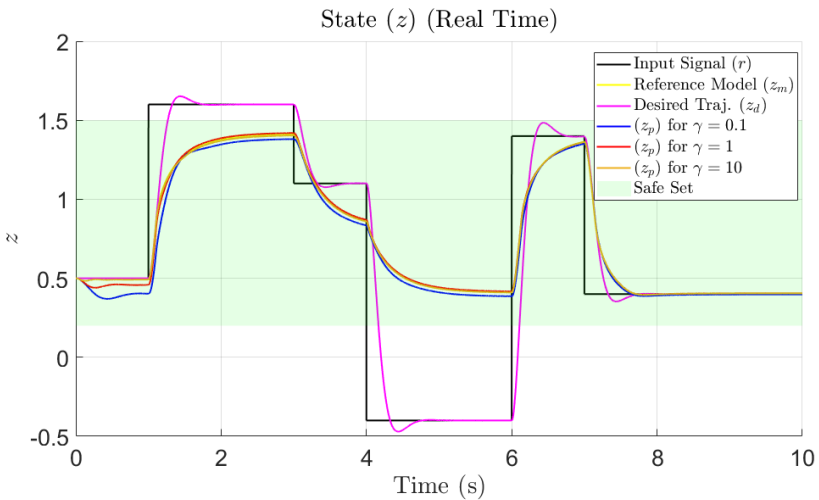
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z_m : safe target



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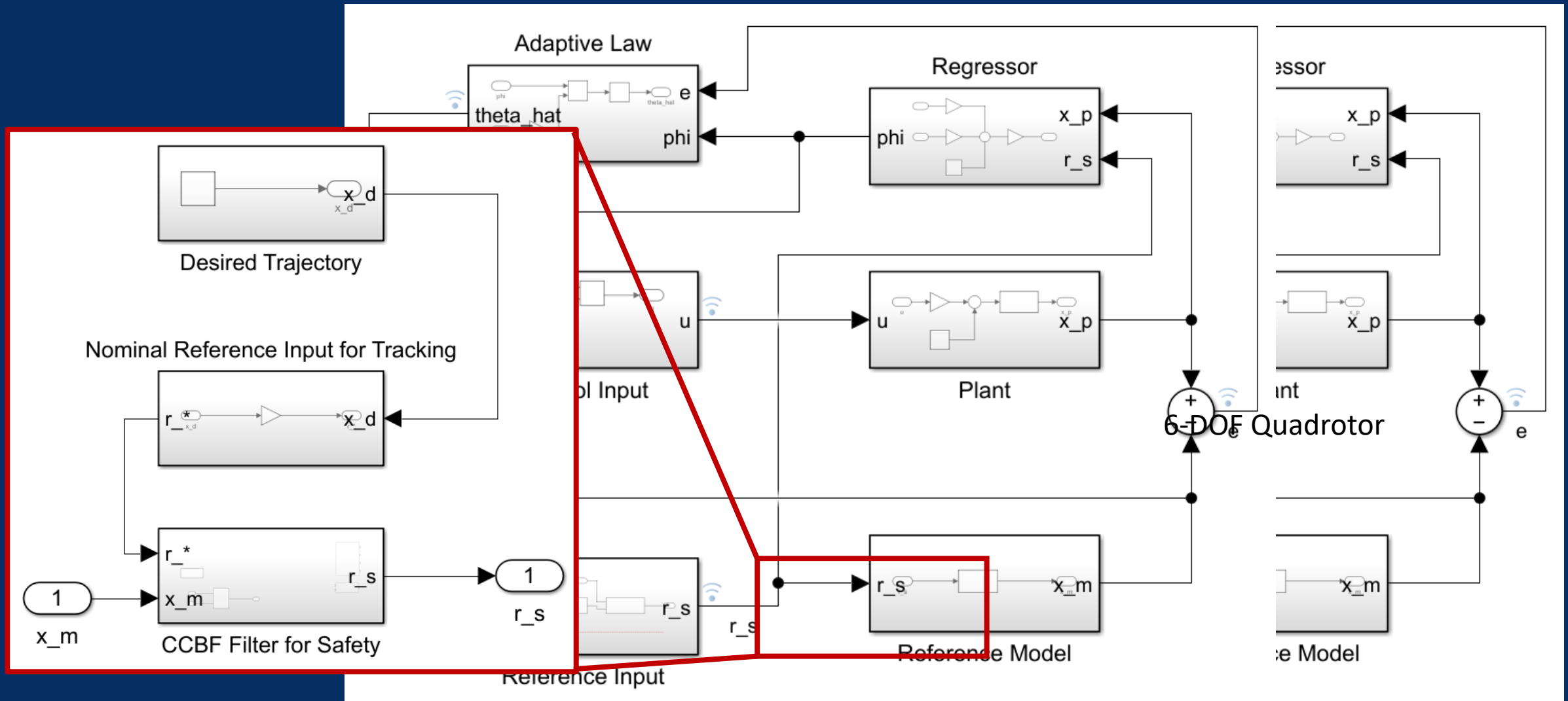


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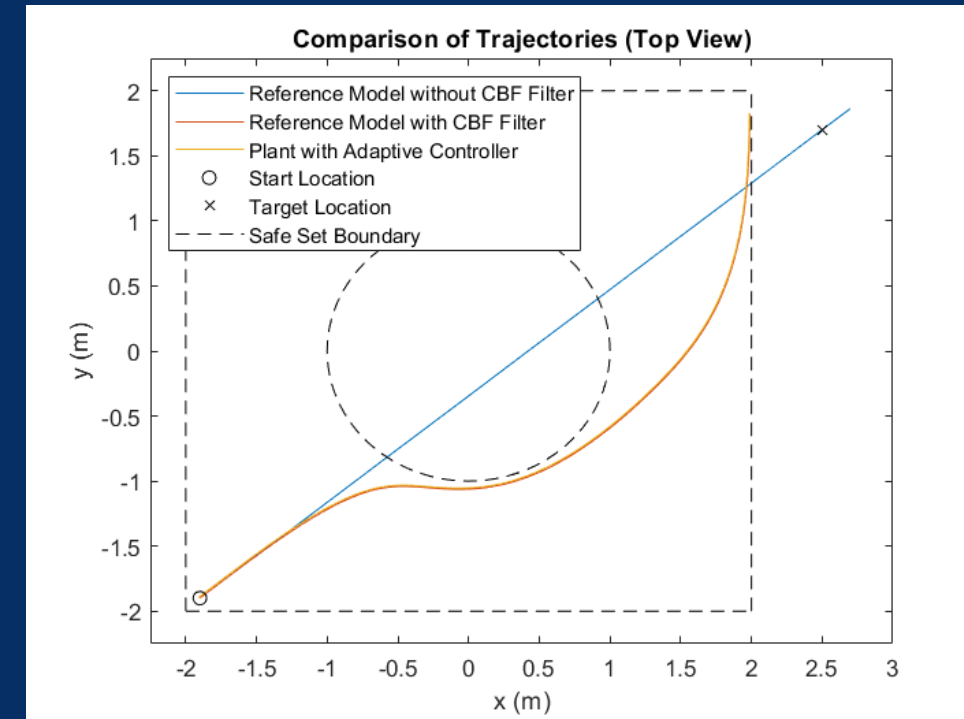
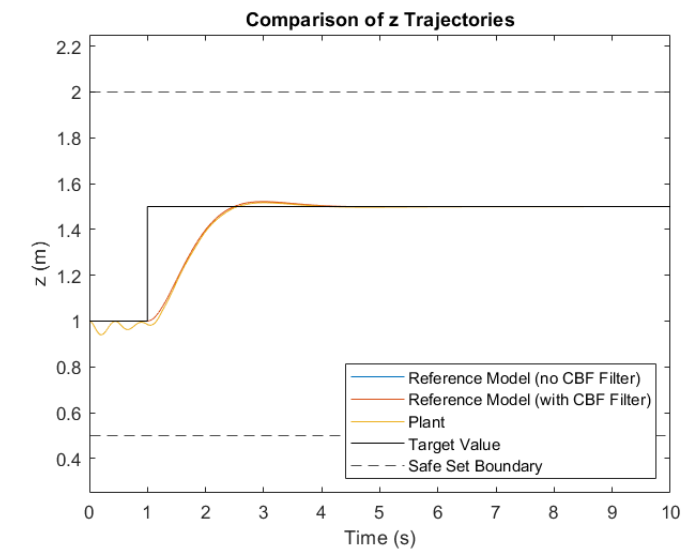
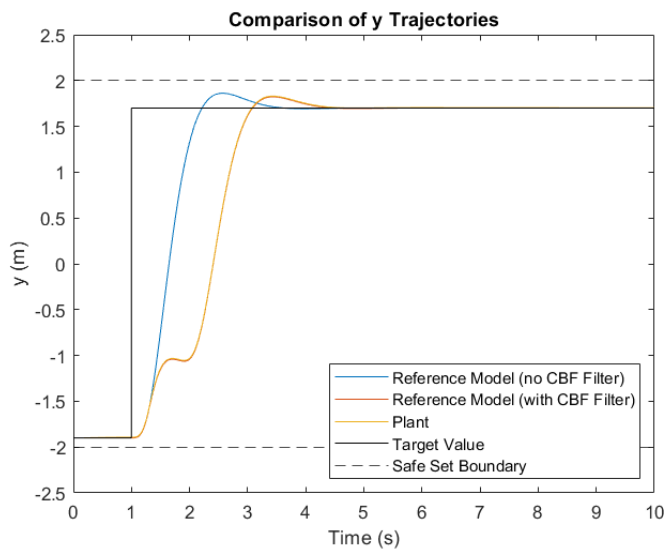
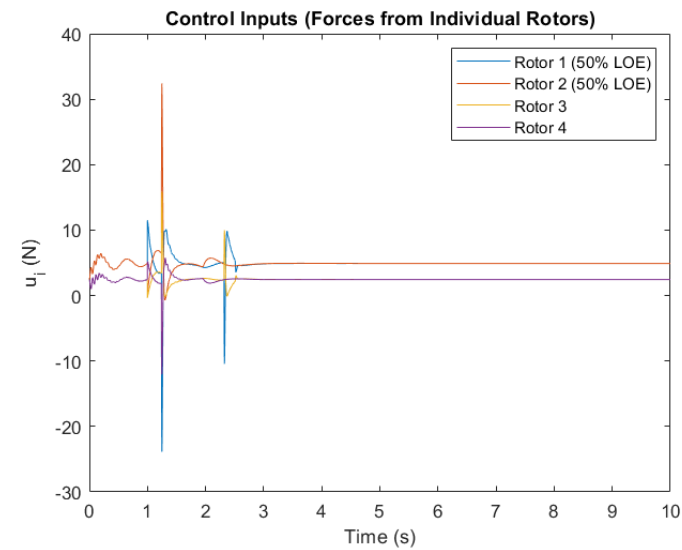
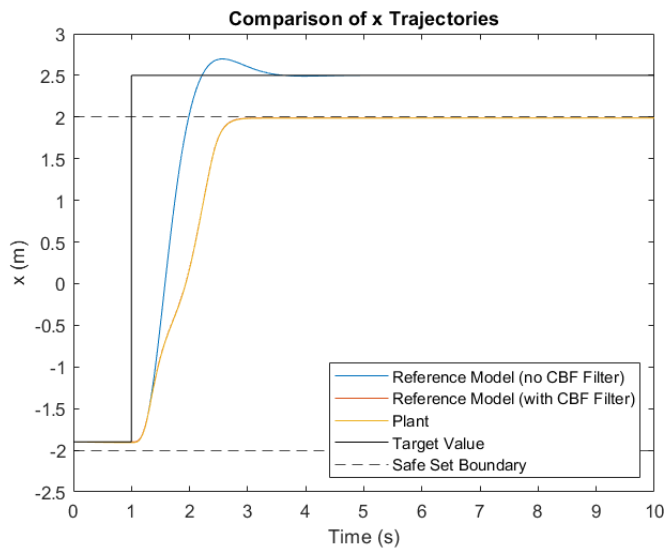
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 - Adaptive Estimation and Adaptive Control
 - Error Models & Learning rules
 - Stability framework – Imperfect Learning
 - Persistent Excitation – Learning with guarantees
- Machine Learning
 - Neural Networks
 - Reinforcement Learning
- New Solutions
 - High-order Tuners – towards accelerated performance
 - Sub-Gaussian spectral lines – towards robust learning
 - Integration of RL and Adaptive Control – towards real-time machine learning
 - Safety and Stability – Adaptation with Calibrated CBF

- Learning
 - Occurs at multiple time-scales
- Safety-critical Systems
 - Adapt first – requires a stability+adaptive control framework
 - Guarantees with imperfect learning are essential
 - Learning comes with hindsight
- Towards fully autonomous systems
 - Real-time decision making tools – with guarantees
 - Combination of adaptive control and ML needed
- “Control for Learning” needs to be addressed
 - For decision-making under fast time-scales

Thank you!

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