

# Control of Large Scale Cyberphysical Systems

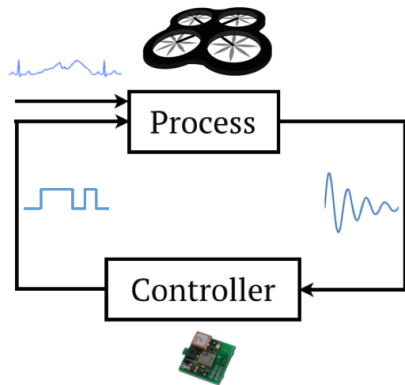
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# Motivation: Drone Traffic Management

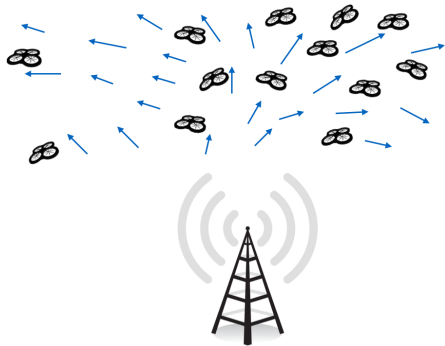
## Controlling A Drone

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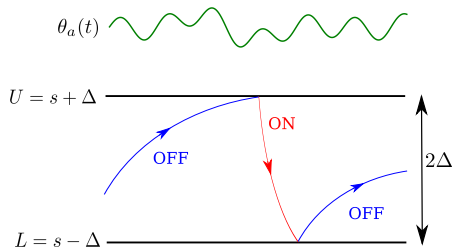
## Controlling Swarm of Drones

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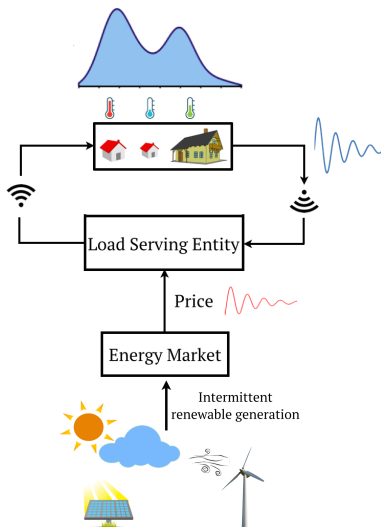


# Motivation: Smart Grid Demand Response

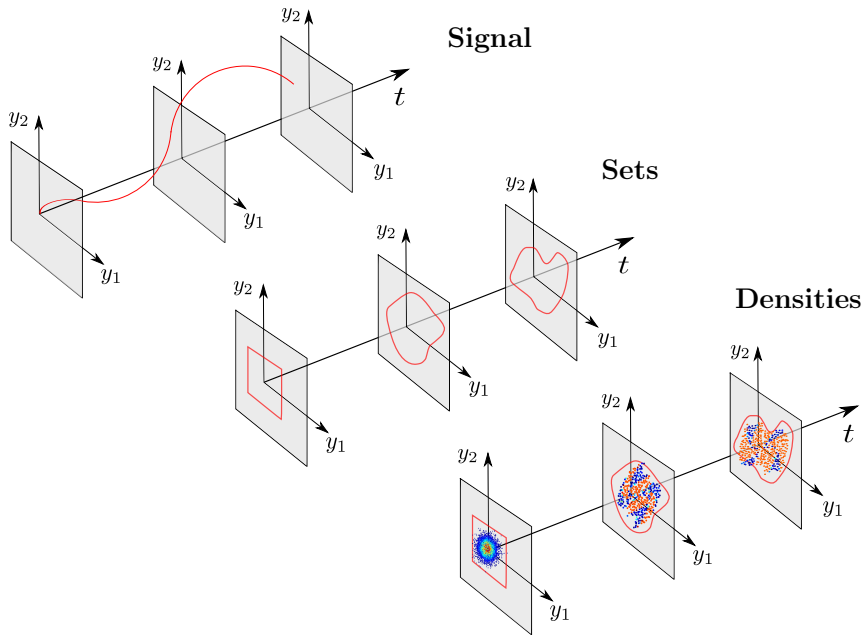
## Controlling An AC



## Controlling Population of ACs



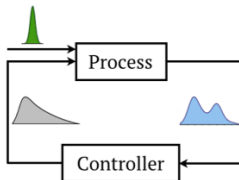
# What to Control



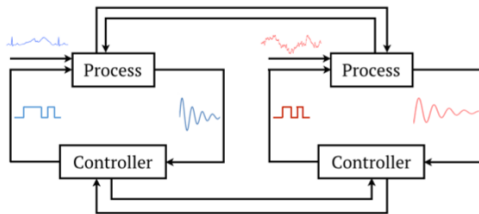


# Outlook

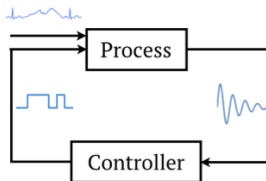
Continuum of systems



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One system



# Outline of Today's Talk

## **Part I: An Application**

Controlling Air Conditioners

## **Part II: A Theory**

Controlling Density

## **Part III: Ongoing and Future Research**

Unmanned Aerial Systems Traffic Management

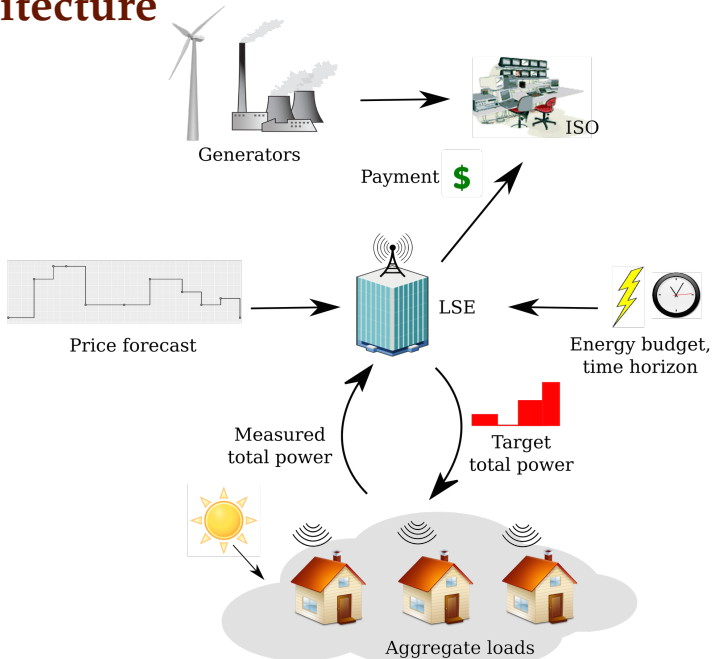
# Part I. An Application

## Controlling Air Conditioners

### Direct Control for Demand Response

Joint work with X. Geng, F.A.C.C. Fontes, P.R. Kumar, and L. Xie

# Architecture



# Research Scope

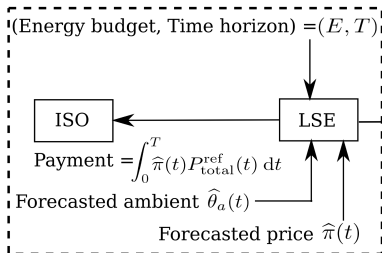
**Objective:** A theory of operation for the LSE

**Challenges:**

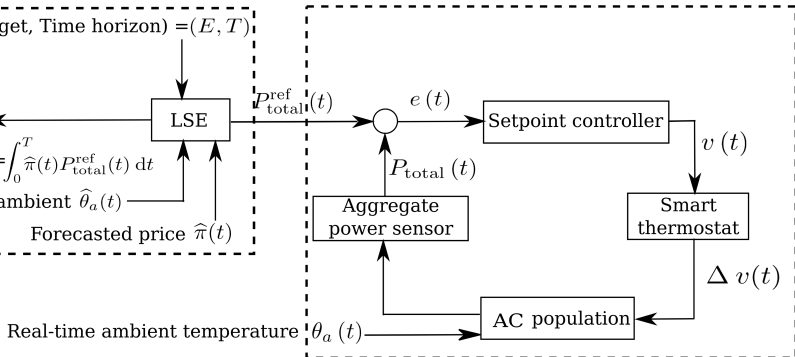
1. How to design the **target consumption as a function of price**?
2. How to control so as to preserve **privacy** of the loads' states?
3. How to respect loads' **contractual obligations** (e.g. comfort range width  $\Delta$ )?

# Two Layer Block Diagram

First layer: planning optimal consumption



Second layer: setpoint control



# First Layer: Planning Optimal Consumption

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{price} \\ \text{forecast} \\ \downarrow \\ \text{minimize}_{\{u_1(t), \dots, u_N(t)\} \in \{0,1\}^N} \int_0^T \frac{P}{\eta} \hat{\pi}(t) (u_1(t) + u_2(t) + \dots + u_N(t)) \, dt \end{array}$$

subject to

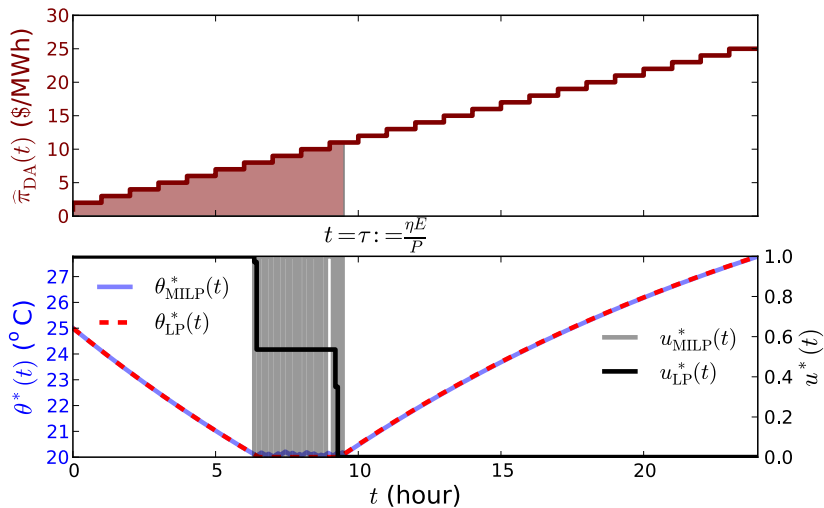
$$(1) \quad \dot{\theta}_i = -\alpha_i \left( \theta_i(t) - \hat{\theta}_a(t) \right) - \beta_i P u_i(t) \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, N,$$

$$(2) \quad \int_0^T (u_1(t) + u_2(t) + \dots + u_N(t)) \, dt = \tau \doteq \frac{\eta E}{NP} (< T, \text{given})$$

$$(3) \quad L_{i0} \leq \theta_i(t) \leq U_{i0} \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, N.$$

**Optimal consumption:**  $P_{\text{ref}}^*(t) = \frac{P}{\eta} \sum_{i=1}^N u_i^*(t)$

# First Layer: Solution



Numerical challenges for MILP and LP

Solution: continuous time  $\rightsquigarrow$  PMP w. state inequality constraints



# Second Layer: Real-time Setpoint Control

optimal  
reference

$$P_{\text{ref}}^*(t) = \frac{P}{\eta} \sum_{i=1}^N u_i^*(t), \rightsquigarrow e(t) = P_{\text{ref}}^*(t) - P_{\text{total}}(t),$$

error

measured

PDE based velocity control

$$v(t) = \gamma_{\text{tracking}}(e(t)),$$

gain

broadcast

$$\frac{ds_i}{dt} = \Delta_i v(t),$$

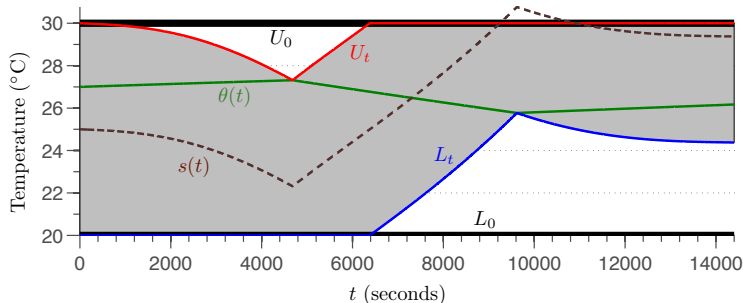
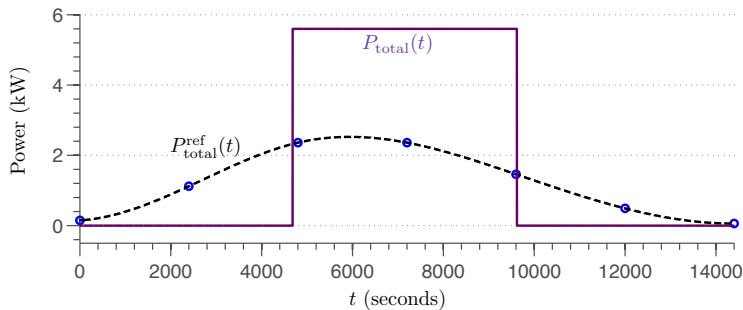
Moving lower boundary

$$L_{it} = U_{i0} \wedge [L_{i0} \vee (s_i(t) - \Delta_i)],$$

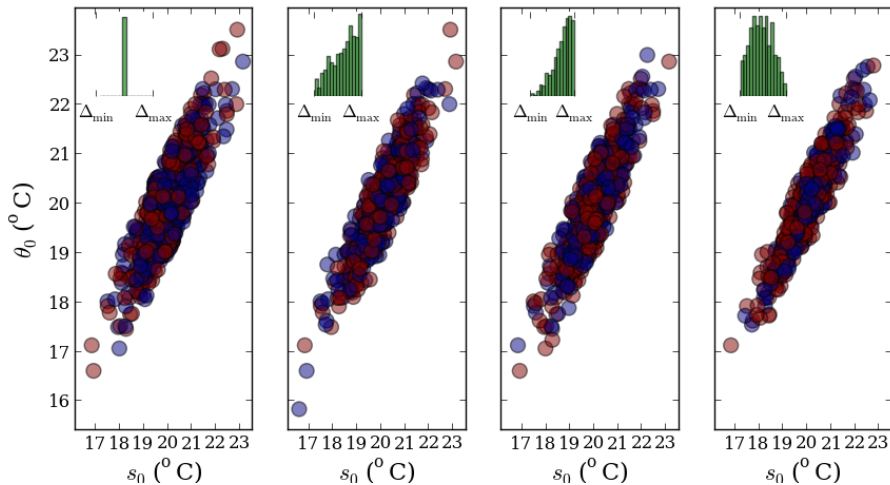
Moving upper boundary

$$U_{it} = L_{i0} \vee [U_{i0} \wedge (s_i(t) + \Delta_i)].$$

# Boundary Control: Deadband $\rightarrow$ Liveband



# Initial Condition and $\Delta$ Distribution for 500 Homes



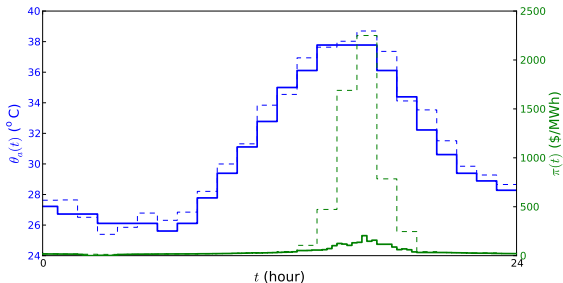
# Houston Temperature + Market Price

--- forecasted ambient

— actual ambient

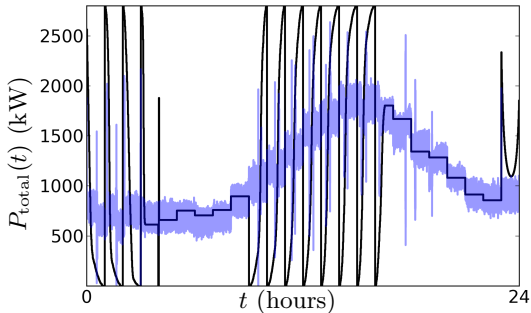
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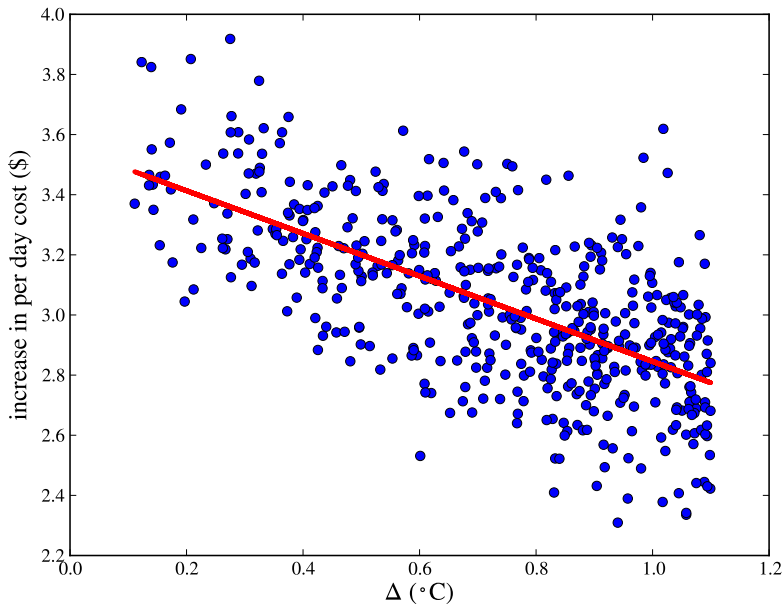


— target consumption

— actual consumption



# How Can the LSE Price A Contract



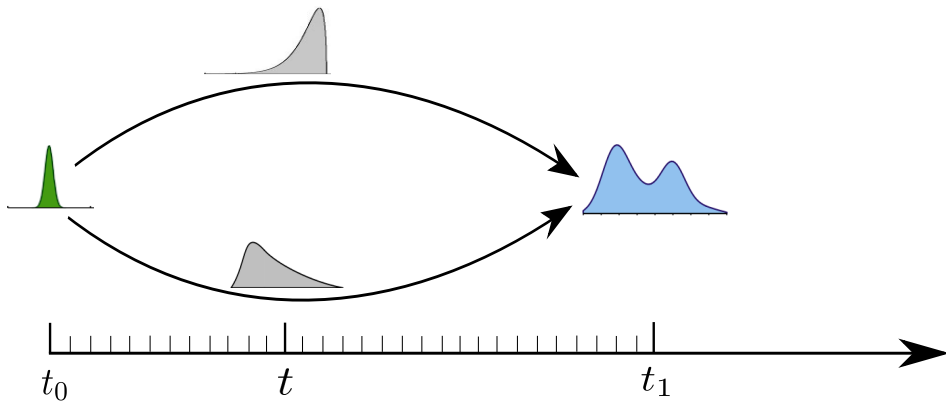
# Part II. A Theory

## Controlling Density

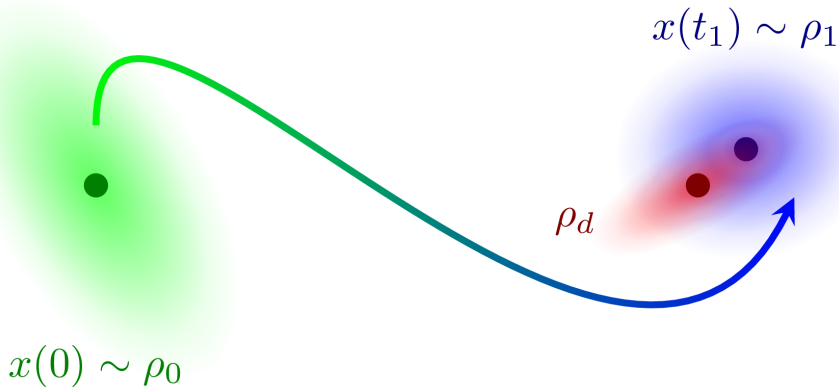
### Finite Horizon LQG Density Regulator

Joint work with E.D.B. Wendel (Draper Laboratory)

# How to Go from One Density to Another



or Close to Another





# LQG State Regulator

$$\min_{u \in \mathcal{U}} \phi(x_1, x_d) + \mathbb{E}_x \left[ \int_0^{t_1} (x^\top Q x + u^\top R u) dt \right]$$

$$dx(t) = Ax(t) dt + Bu(t) dt + F dw(t),$$

$$x(0) = x_0 \text{ given, } x_d \text{ given, } t_1 \text{ fixed,}$$

**Typical terminal cost: MSE**

$$\phi(x_1, x_d) = \mathbb{E}_{x_1} [(x_1 - x_d)^\top M (x_1 - x_d)]$$

# LQG Density Regulator

$$\min_{u \in \mathcal{U}} \varphi(\rho_1, \rho_d) + \mathbb{E}_x \left[ \int_0^{t_1} (x^\top Q x + u^\top R u) dt \right]$$

$$dx(t) = Ax(t) dt + Bu(t) dt + F dw(t),$$

$$x(0) \sim \rho_0 \text{ given, } x_d \sim \rho_d \text{ given, } t_1 \text{ fixed,}$$

**Proposed terminal cost: MMSE**

$$\varphi(x_1, x_d) = \inf_{y \sim \rho \in \mathcal{P}_2(\rho_1, \rho_d)} \mathbb{E}_y \left[ (x_1 - x_d)^\top M (x_1 - x_d) \right],$$

where  $y := (x_1, x_d)^\top$

# Formulation: LQG Density Regulator

$$\min_{u \in \mathcal{U}} \inf_{y \sim \rho \in \mathcal{P}_2(\rho_1, \rho_d)} \mathbb{E}_y \left[ (x_1 - x_d)^\top M (x_1 - x_d) \right] + \mathbb{E}_x \left[ \int_0^{t_1} (x^\top Q x + u^\top R u) \, dt \right]$$

$\varphi(\rho_1, \rho_d)$   
|

$$dx(t) = Ax(t) \, dt + Bu(t) \, dt + F \, dw(t),$$

$$x(0) \sim \rho_0 = \mathcal{N}(\mu_0, S_0), \quad x_d \sim \rho_d = \mathcal{N}(\mu_d, S_d),$$

$$t_1 \text{ fixed, } \mathcal{U} = \{u : u(x, t) = K(t)x + v(t)\}$$

**However,  $\varphi(\mathcal{N}(\mu_1, S_1), \mathcal{N}(\mu_d, S_d))$  equals**

$$(\mu_1 - \mu_d)^\top M (\mu_1 - \mu_d) +$$

$$\min_{C \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}} \text{tr}((S_1 + S_d - 2C)M) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \begin{bmatrix} S_1 & C \\ C^\top & S_d \end{bmatrix} \succeq 0$$

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$$\Leftrightarrow$$

$$\max_{C \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}} \text{tr}(CM) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad S_1 - CS_d^{-1}C^\top \succeq 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow$$

$$C^* = S_1 S_d^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( S_d^{\frac{1}{2}} S_1 S_d^{\frac{1}{2}} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} S_d^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

**This gives**

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(\mathcal{N}(\mu_1, S_1), \mathcal{N}(\mu_d, S_d)) &= (\mu_1 - \mu_d)^\top M (\mu_1 - \mu_d) \\ &+ \text{tr} \left( MS_1 + MS_d - 2 \left[ (\sqrt{S_d}MS_1\sqrt{S_d}) (\sqrt{S_d}S_1\sqrt{S_d})^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right] \right) \end{aligned}$$

**Applying maximum principle:**

$$K^o(t) = R^{-1}B^\top P(t),$$

$$v^o(t) = R^{-1}B^\top (z(t) - P(t)\mu(t))$$

$\infty$  **dim. TPBVP**  $\rightsquigarrow (n^2 + 3n)$  **dim. TPBVP**

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{\mu}(t) \\ \dot{z}(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A & BR^{-1}B^\top \\ Q & -A^\top \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mu(t) \\ z(t) \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\dot{S}(t) = (A + BK^o)S(t) + S(t)(A + BK^o)^\top + FF^\top,$$

$$\dot{P}(t) = -A^\top P(t) - P(t)A - P(t)BR^{-1}B^\top P(t) + Q,$$

**Boundary conditions:**

$$\mu(0) = \mu_0, \quad z(t_1) = M(\mu_d - \mu_1),$$

$$S(0) = S_0, \quad P(t_1) = (S_d \# S_1^{-1} - I_n) M$$

# Matrix Geometric Mean

The **minimal geodesic**  $\gamma^* : [0, 1] \mapsto \mathbf{S}_n^+$  connecting  $\gamma(0) = S_d$  and  $\gamma(1) = S_1^{-1}$ , associated with the Riemannian metric  $g_A(S_d, S_1^{-1}) = \text{tr}(A^{-1}S_d A^{-1}S_1^{-1})$ , is

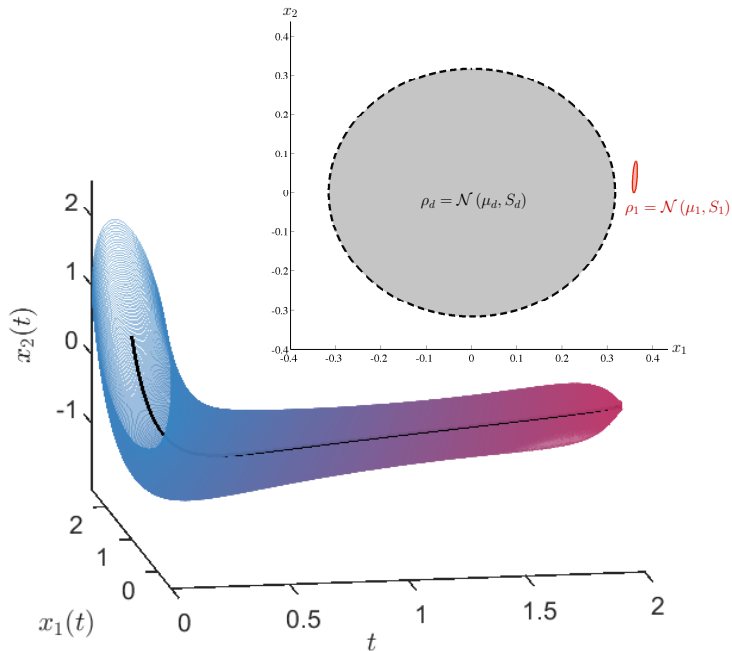
$$\begin{aligned}\gamma^*(t) &= S_d \#_t S_1^{-1} = S_d^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( S_d^{-\frac{1}{2}} S_1^{-1} S_d^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right)^t S_d^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= S_1^{-1} \#_{1-t} S_d = S_1^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left( S_1^{\frac{1}{2}} S_d S_1^{\frac{1}{2}} \right)^{1-t} S_1^{-\frac{1}{2}}\end{aligned}$$

**Geometric Mean:**

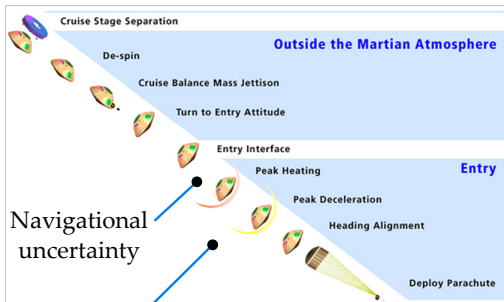
$$\gamma^* \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) = S_d \#_{\frac{1}{2}} S_1^{-1} = S_1^{-1} \#_{\frac{1}{2}} S_d$$



# Controlled State Covariance

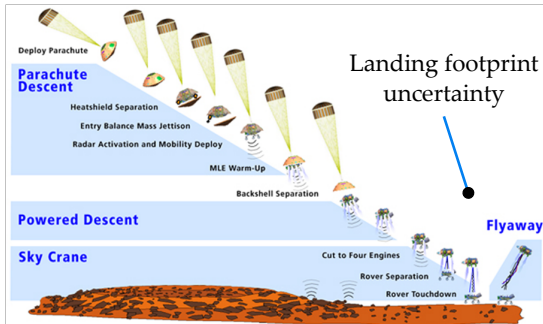


# Application: Control for Mars Landing



Heating  
uncertainty

Chute deployment  
uncertainty



# Part III. Ongoing and Future Research

**UTM**

Unmanned Aerial Systems Traffic Management

# Vision for UAS Traffic Management (UTM)

Class G airspace extends up to 1200 ft AGL

500 ft AGL

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Weight no more than 55 lbs



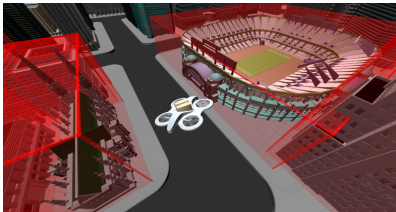
200 ft AGL

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**Requires:** Automated V2V separation management  
Yield manned traffic  
Avoid obstacles (buildings, towers etc.)

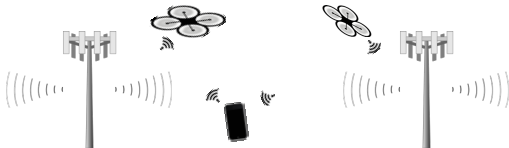
# Technical Challenges

## Dynamic Geofencing

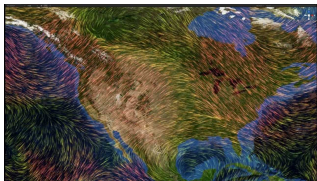


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## Control over LTE



## Wind Uncertainty



## Provable Safety



# Protocols $\equiv$ Laws of the Sky

## Offline Protocol

- How FAA approves a flight path request?

## Motion Protocol

- What does an individual drone do in real time?

## Communication Protocol

- What and how should a drone in flight talk?

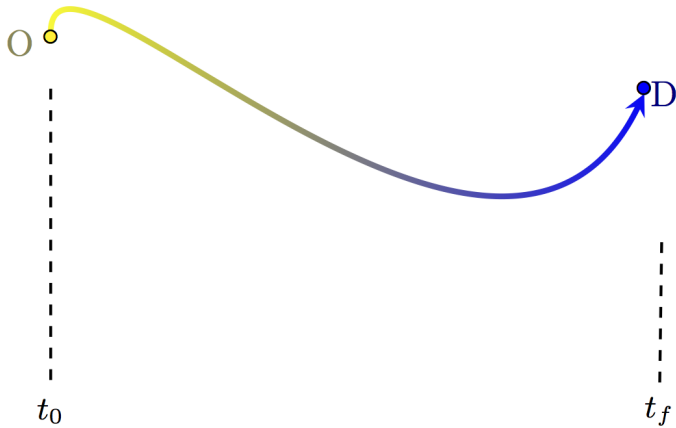
## Database Protocol

- Which other drones to talk with and when?

# **Motion Protocol**

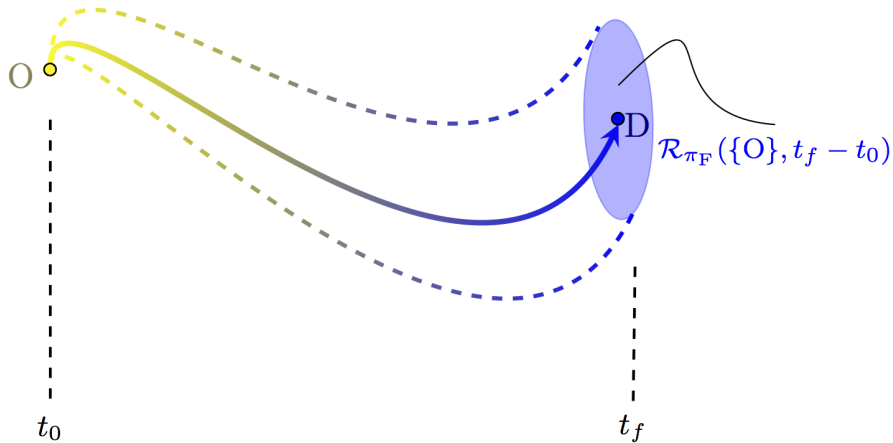
What does an individual drone do in real time?

## Input: Approved Flight Path

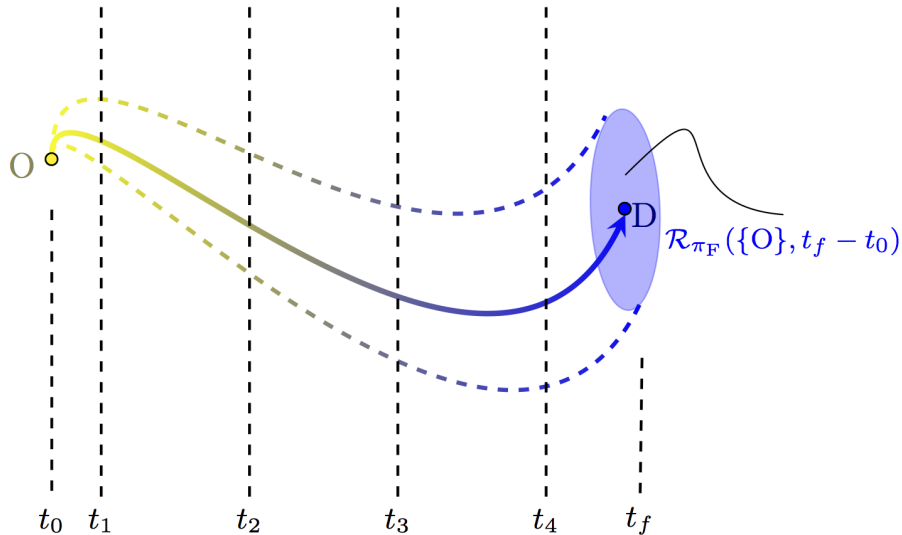




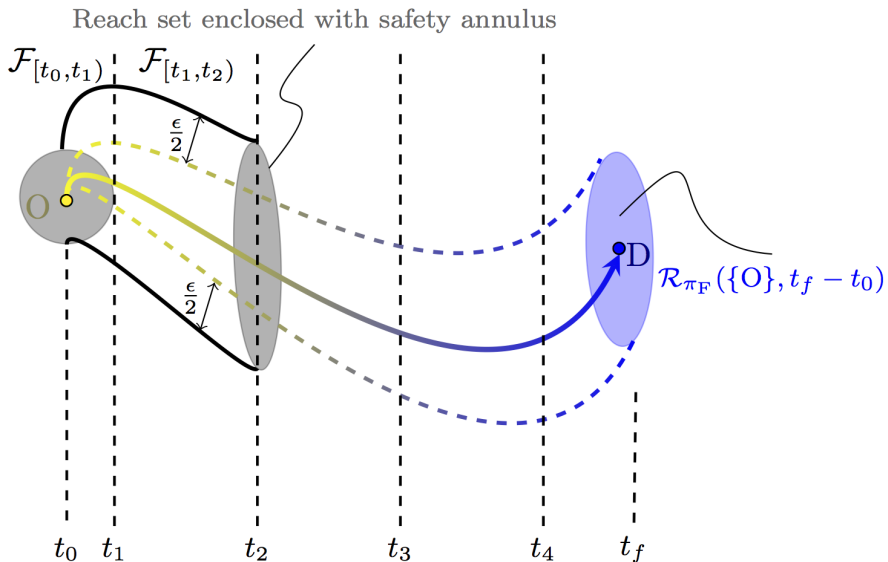
# Reach Set Evolution due to Wind Uncertainty



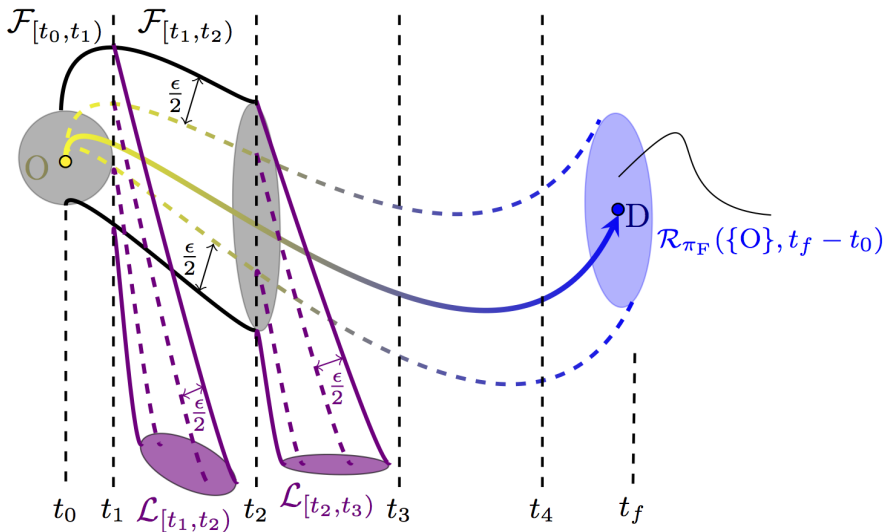
# Discrete Decision Making Instances



# 4D Flight Tubes $\mathcal{F}_{[t_j, t_{j+1})}$

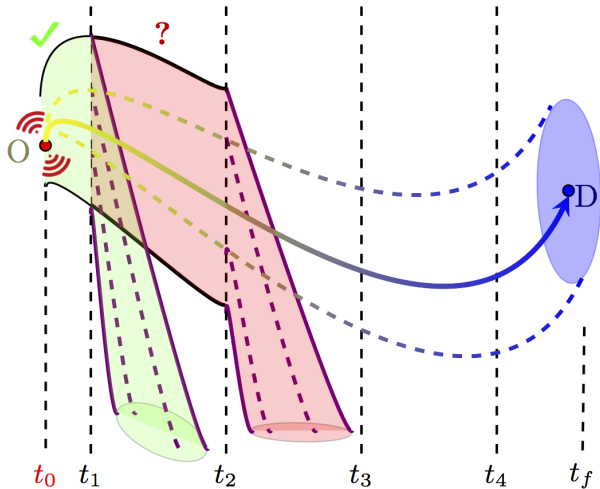


# 4D Flight + Landing Tubes $\{\mathcal{F}_{[t_j, t_{j+1})}, \mathcal{L}_{[t_{j+1}, t_{j+2})}\}$



# Motion Protocol: $t = t_0$

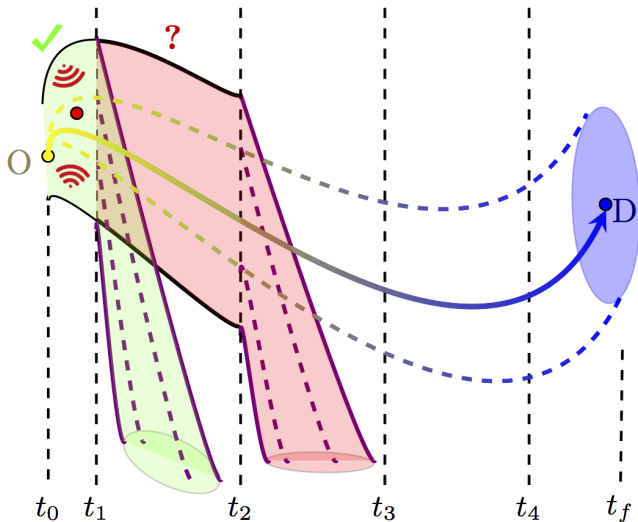
**IF:** Have all + ACKs for  $\{\mathcal{F}_{[t_0, t_1]}, \mathcal{L}_{[t_1, t_2]}\}$  **AND**  $D \in \mathcal{R}_{\pi_F}(\{O\}, t_f - t_0)$



**THEN:** Take-off **AND** broadcast req. for  $\{\mathcal{F}_{[t_1, t_2]}, \mathcal{L}_{[t_2, t_3]}\}$

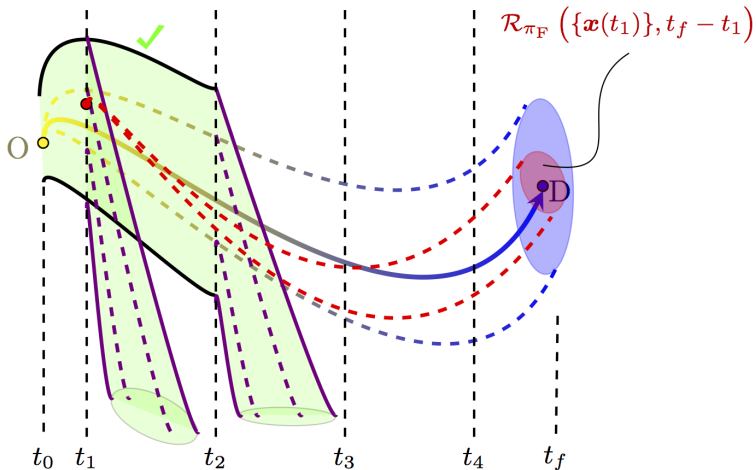
# Motion Protocol: $t \in [t_0, t_1)$

Listening for  $\pm$  ACKs,  $\mathbf{x}(t) \in \mathcal{F}_{[t_0, t_1)}$



# Motion Protocol: $t = t_1$

**IF:** All + ACKs **AND**  $D \in \mathcal{R}_{\pi_F}(\{\mathbf{x}(t_1)\}, t_f - t_1)$

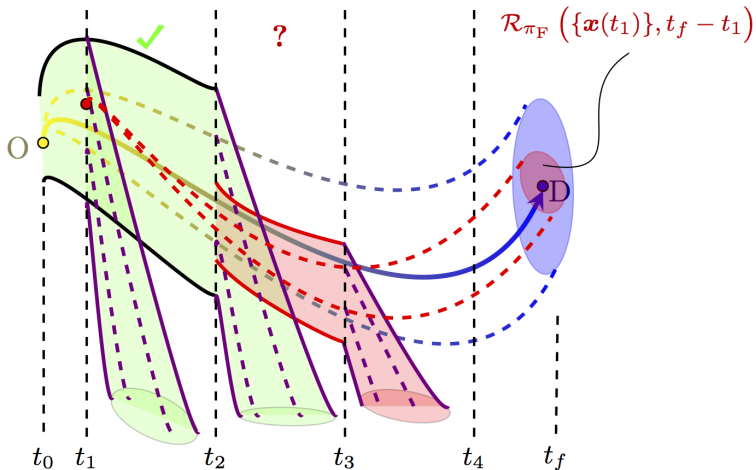


**THEN:** Continue in  $\mathcal{F}_{[t_1, t_2)}$  **AND** broadcast req. for  $\{\mathcal{F}_{[t_2, t_3)}, \mathcal{L}_{[t_3, t_4)}\}$

**ELSE:** Abort mission via  $\mathcal{L}_{[t_1, t_2)}$

# Motion Protocol: $t = t_1$

**IF:** All + ACKs **AND**  $D \in \mathcal{R}_{\pi_F}(\{\mathbf{x}(t_1)\}, t_f - t_1)$



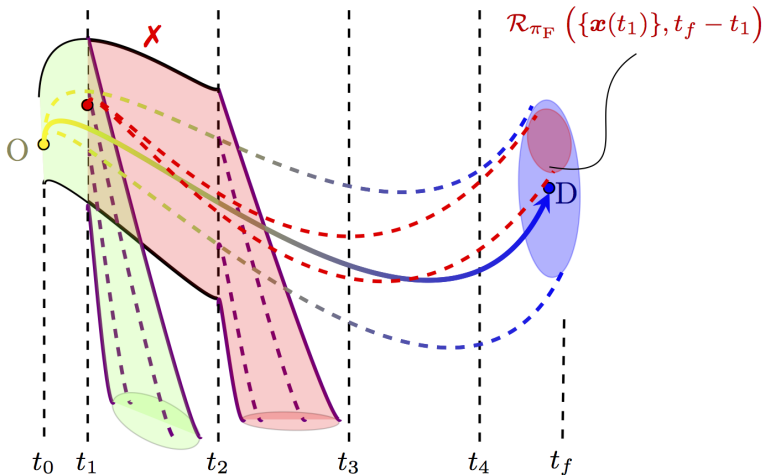
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# Motion Protocol: $t = t_1$

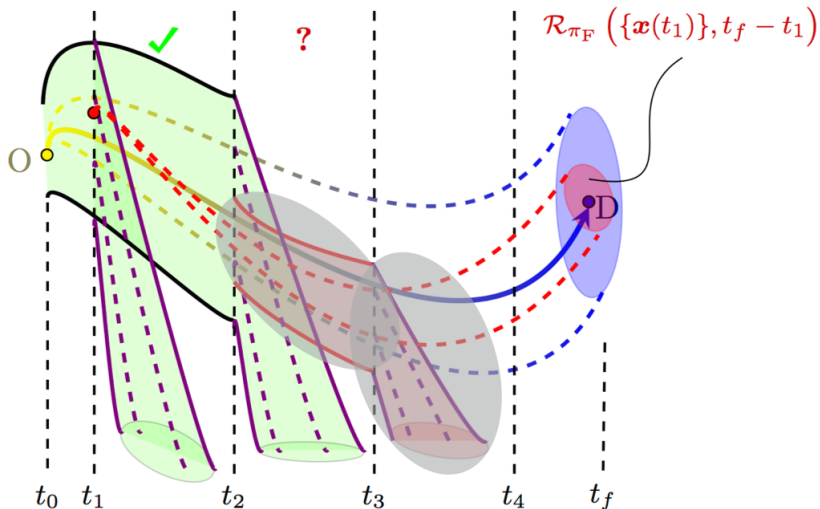
**IF:** All + ACKs **AND**  $D \notin \mathcal{R}_{\pi_F}(\{\mathbf{x}(t_1)\}, t_f - t_1)$



**THEN:** Continue in  $\mathcal{F}_{[t_1, t_2)}$  **AND** broadcast req. for  $\{\mathcal{F}_{[t_2, t_3)}, \mathcal{L}_{[t_3, t_4)}\}$

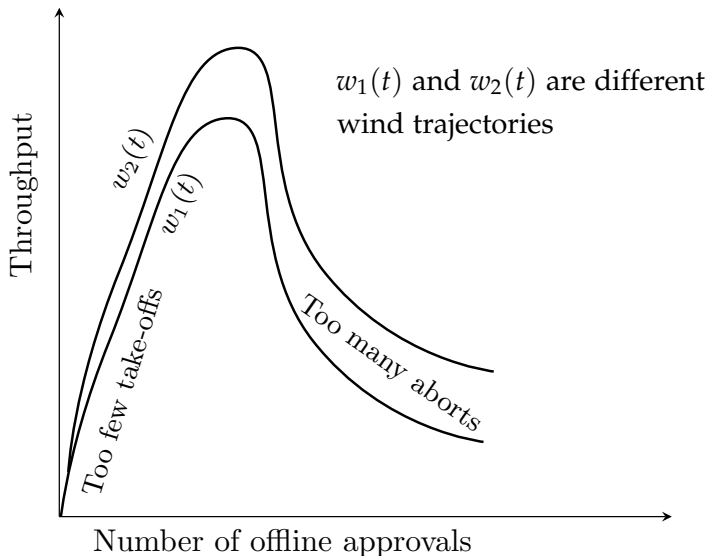
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# Algorithms for Motion Protocol

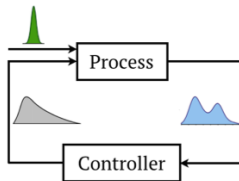


### Compute minimum volume outer ellipsoids: SDP

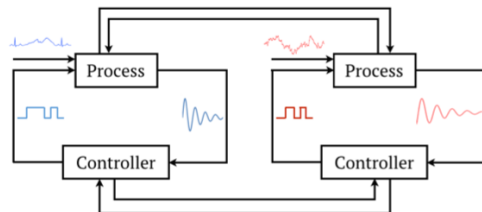
# Proposed Architecture: Performance



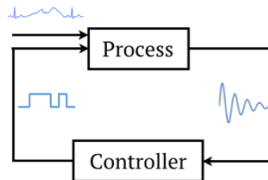
Continuum of systems



Finitely many systems



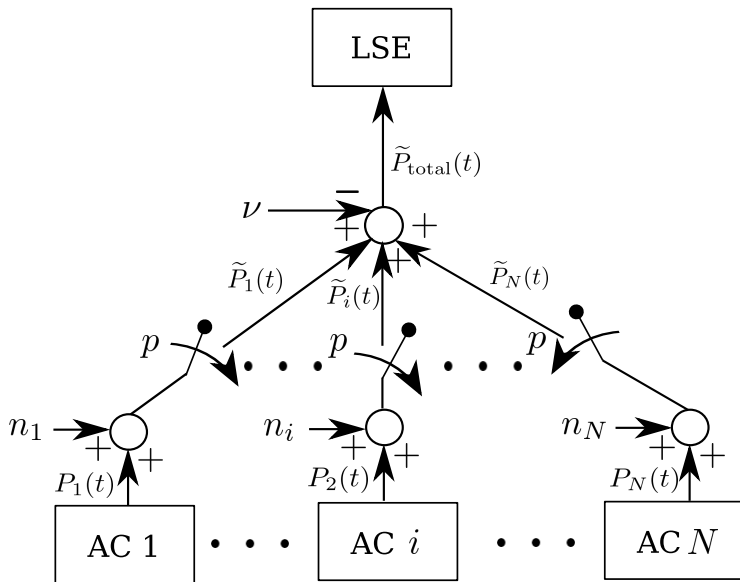
One system



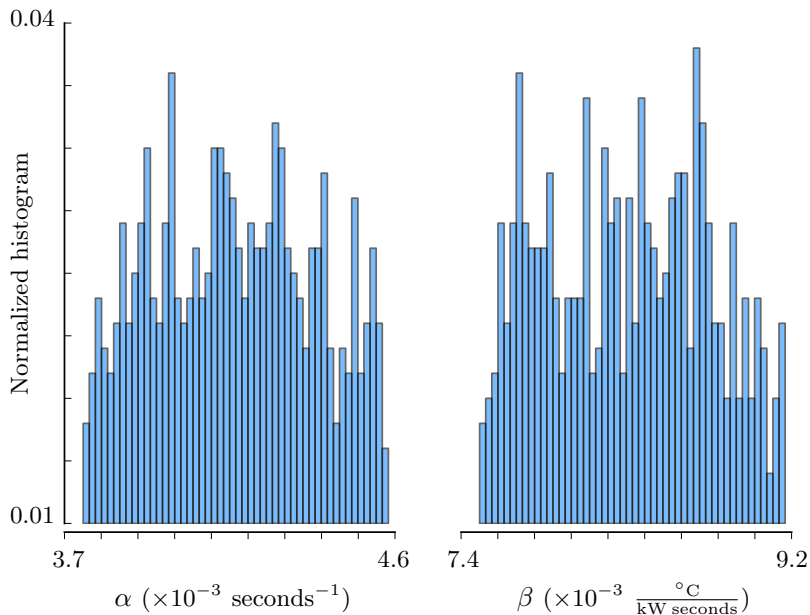
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# **Backup Slides for Part I**

# Differential Privacy Preserving Sensing

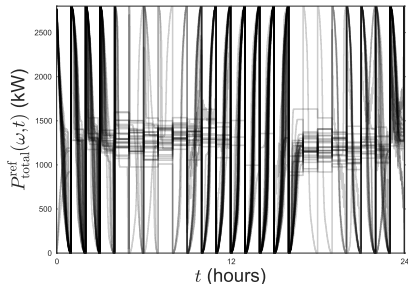
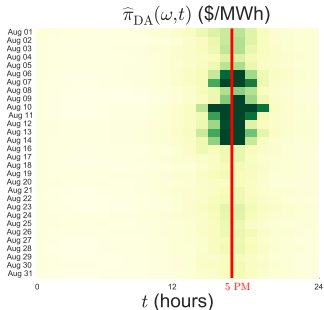
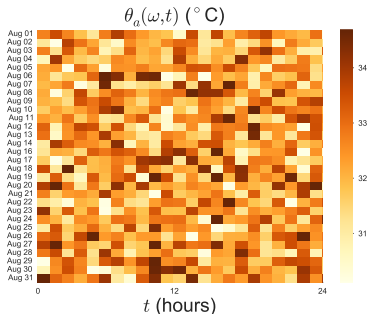
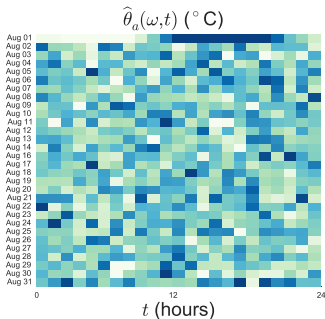


# Distribution of Parameters $\alpha$ and $\beta$

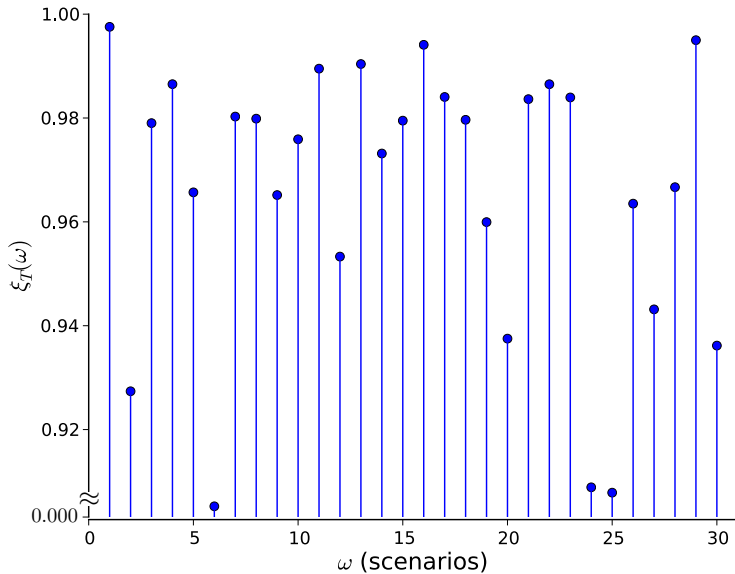




# Houston Data for August 2015



# Limits of Control Performance



# **Backup Slides for Part II**

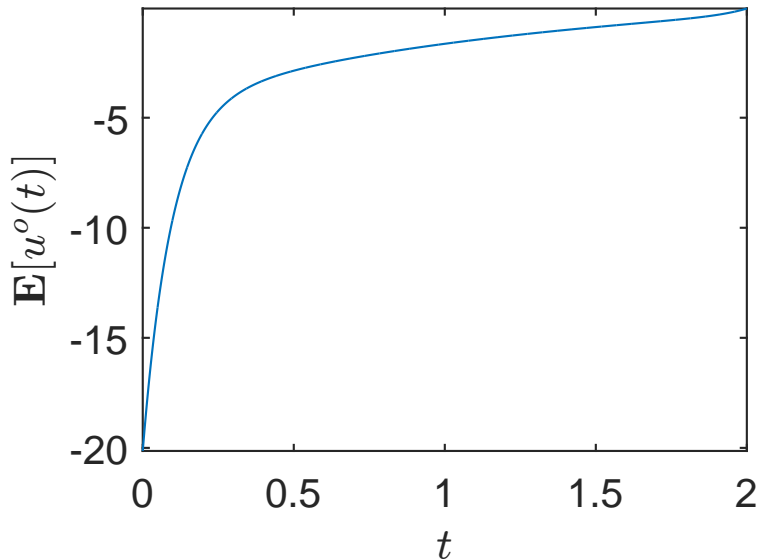
## Example

$$\begin{pmatrix} dx_1 \\ dx_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} dt + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u dt + \begin{bmatrix} 0.01 \\ 0.01 \end{bmatrix} dw$$

$$\rho_0 = \mathcal{N} \left( (1, 1)^\top, I_2 \right), \quad \rho_d = \mathcal{N} \left( (0, 0)^\top, 0.1 I_2 \right),$$

$$Q = 100 I_2, \quad R = 1, \quad M = I_2, \quad t_1 = 2$$

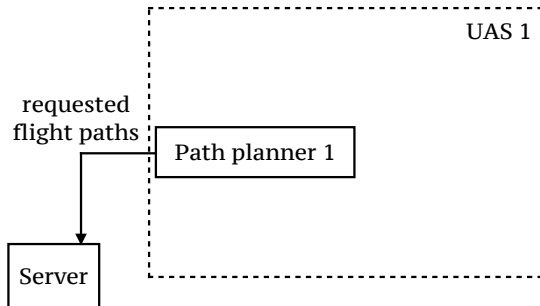
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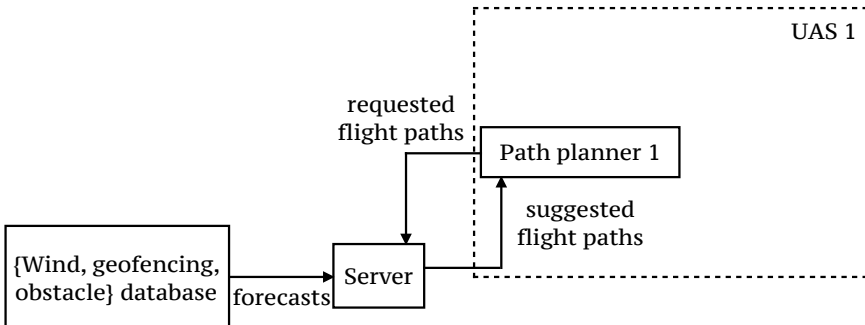
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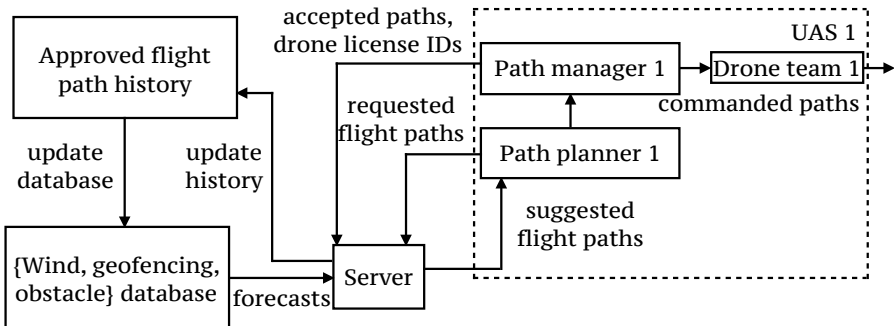
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