

# On some open points in modelling and model predictive control

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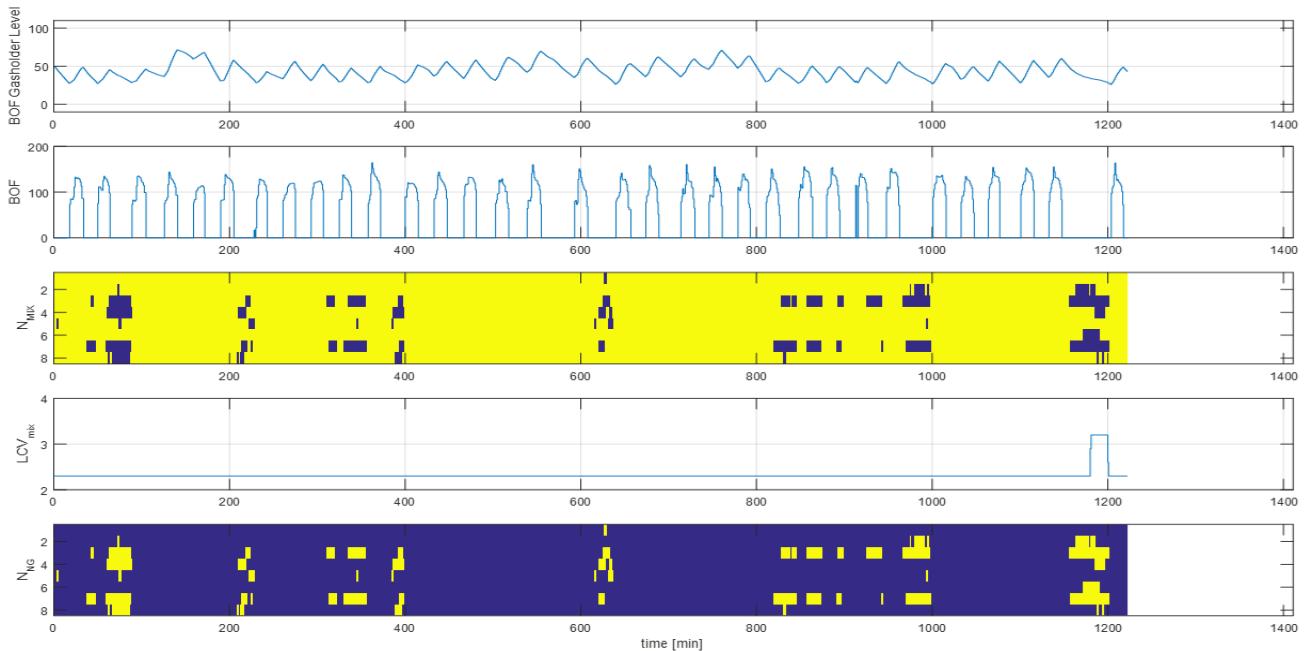
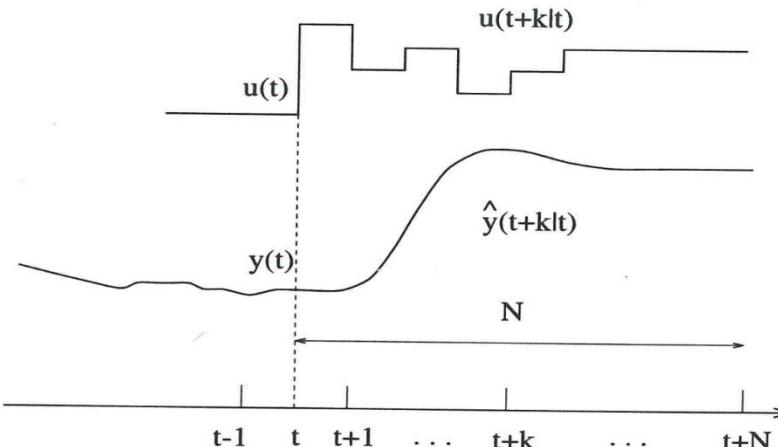
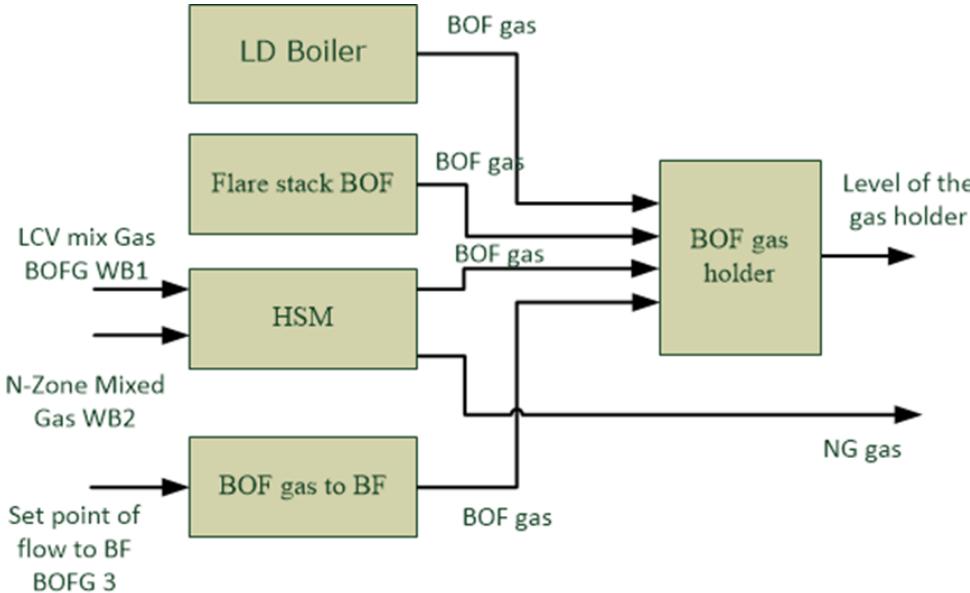
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# Agenda

1. On some problems of mixed-integer optimisation
2. Safe Reinforcement Learning

# Example: Economic optimisation of BOF gas supply



## Cost function

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{minimize } J \\
 & = \sum_{k=0}^N \gamma^k (l_{\text{holder}}(k) + l_{\text{NG}}(k) + l_{\text{zone}}(k) + l_{\text{flare}}(k) \\
 & + l_{\text{BOF to BF}}(k))
 \end{aligned}$$

## Mixing station

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## HSM Control Model

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*Bilinear mixed integer system*

## Bilinear Systems

- ›  $\boldsymbol{x}_{k+1} = \boldsymbol{A}\boldsymbol{x}_k + \boldsymbol{B}\boldsymbol{u}_k + \sum_{i=1}^m C_i u_{i,k}$

### Discretisation of the input variables

- ›  $\boldsymbol{x}_{k+1} = \boldsymbol{A}\boldsymbol{x}_k + \boldsymbol{B}\boldsymbol{D}\boldsymbol{\delta}_k + \boldsymbol{\delta}'_k \boldsymbol{D}' \boldsymbol{C} \boldsymbol{x}_k$
- › with
- ›  $\boldsymbol{u}_k = \boldsymbol{D}\boldsymbol{\delta}_k, \boldsymbol{D} \triangleq u_0 [2^0 \quad \dots \quad 2^{r-1}]$

### Big-M Approach

- ›  $y_k = \delta_k f(x_k)$
- ›  $y_k \leq M\delta_k$
- ›  $y_k \geq m\delta_k$
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- › The transformation into a linear mixed-integer system using the Big M approach leads to a high number of logical decision variables
- › In this case

Horizon = 2 h

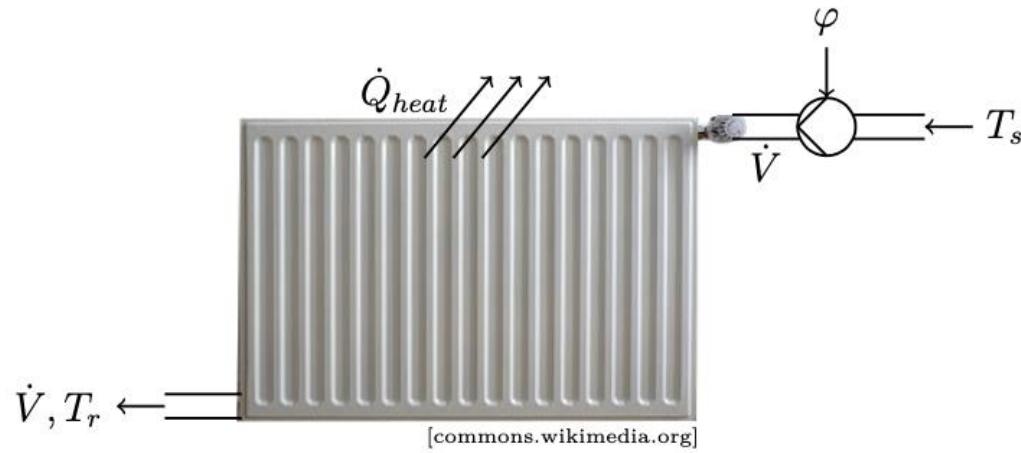
Logical Variables: 7920

Continuous Variables: 360

Constraints: 23208

- › Can it be simplified and accelerated

# Example of an Multi Linear System: Heating system

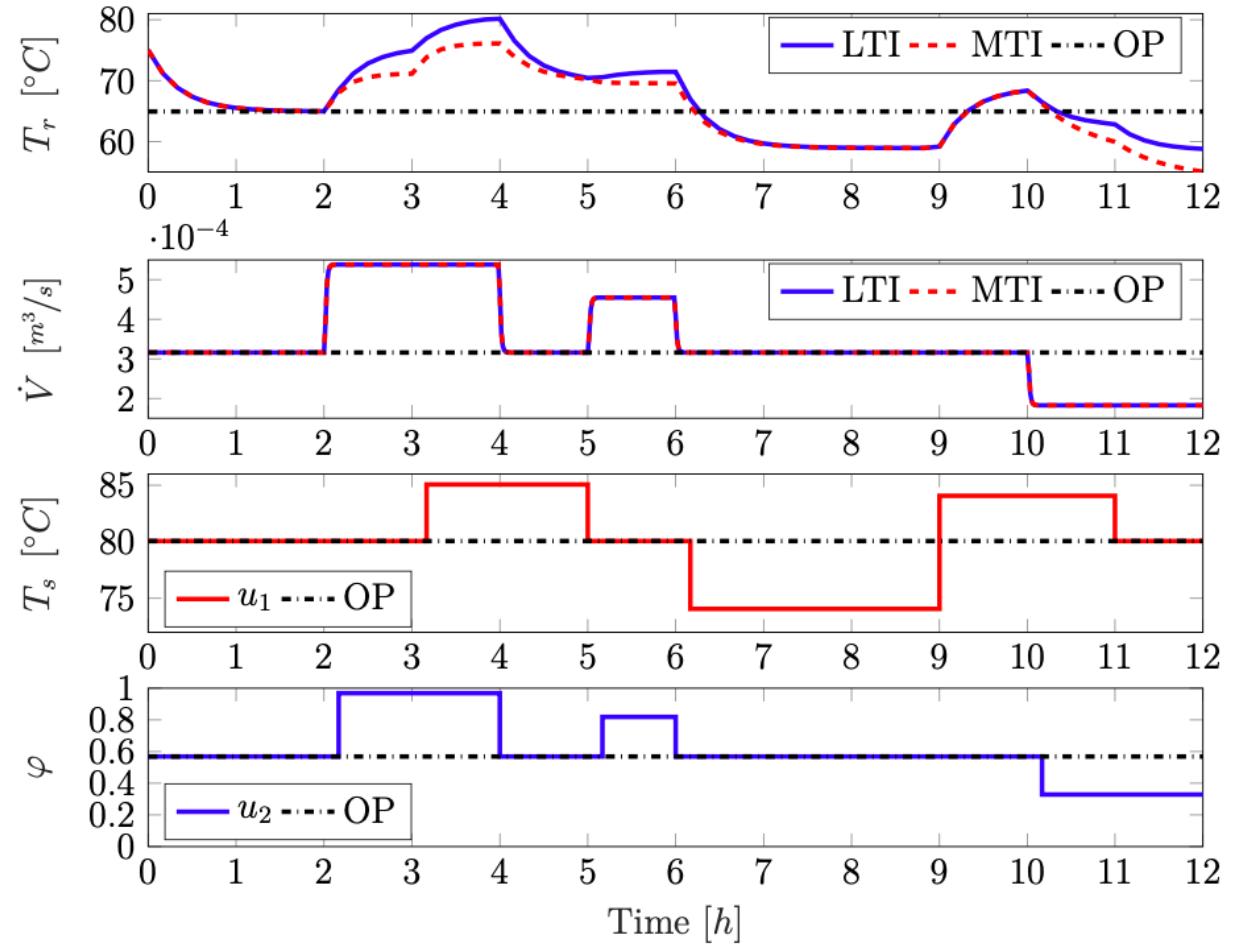


$$\ddot{V} = -\frac{1}{\tau_V} \dot{V} + \frac{\dot{V}_{max}}{\tau_V} \varphi,$$

$$c\rho V_{rad} \dot{T}_r = c\rho \dot{V} T_s - c\rho \dot{V} T_r - \dot{Q}_{heat},$$

$$\dot{x}_1 = p_1 (u_1 x_2 - x_1 x_2) + p_2,$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = p_3 x_2 + p_4 u_2.$$

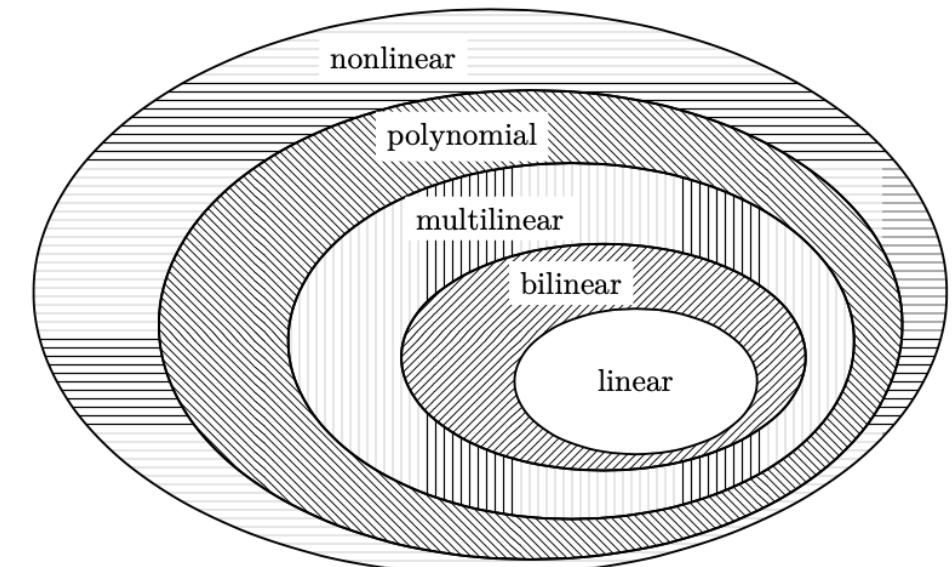


## Observation

- Approximation of bilinear systems by discretisation and Big-M approach leads to very many decision variables.
- Mixed integer for a non-linear process requires a lot of computing time.

Is there another approach ?

- Many procedural processes can be described as multi-linear systems and can be sufficiently approximated in the same way.



## Zhegalikin Polynome

| Boolean function | algebraic function   |
|------------------|----------------------|
| NOT $x_1$        | $1 - x_1$            |
| $x_1$ AND $x_2$  | $x_1x_2$             |
| $x_1$ OR $x_2$   | $x_1 + x_2 - x_1x_2$ |

| $\underline{b}_1$ | $\underline{b}_2$ | XOR( $\underline{b}_1, \underline{b}_2$ ) |
|-------------------|-------------------|---|
| 0                 | 0                 | 0   |
| 0                 | 1                 | 1   |
| 1                 | 0                 | 1   |
| 1                 | 1                 | 0   |

$$f_b(\underline{b}_1, \underline{b}_2) = \underline{b}_1 + \underline{b}_2 - 2\underline{b}_1\underline{b}_2.$$

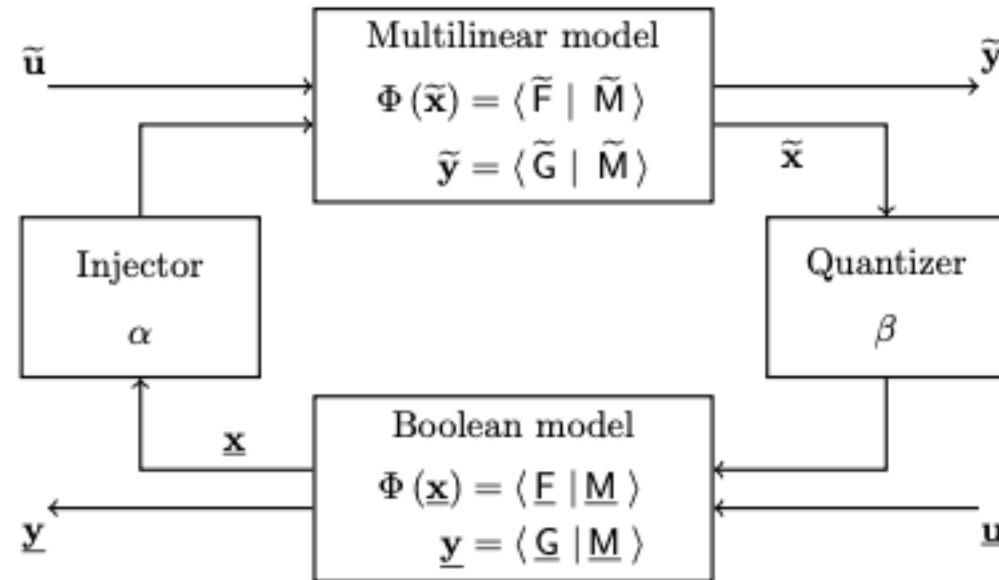
## Boolean state space models

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{\mathbf{x}}(k+1) &= \underline{\mathbf{f}}(\underline{\mathbf{x}}(k)\underline{\mathbf{u}}(k)), \\ \underline{\mathbf{y}}(k) &= \underline{\mathbf{f}}(\underline{\mathbf{x}}(k)\underline{\mathbf{u}}(k)), \\ \underline{\mathbf{x}}(0) &= \underline{\mathbf{x}}_0,\end{aligned}$$

Zhegalikin polynomials are multilinear

# Struktur of multi-linear hybrid model

$$(\alpha(\underline{\mathbf{x}}))_i = \begin{cases} 1 \in \mathbb{R} & \text{if } x_i = \text{TRUE ,} \\ 0 \in \mathbb{R} & \text{if } x_i = \text{FALSE ,} \\ x_i & \text{if } x_i \in \mathbb{R} . \end{cases}$$

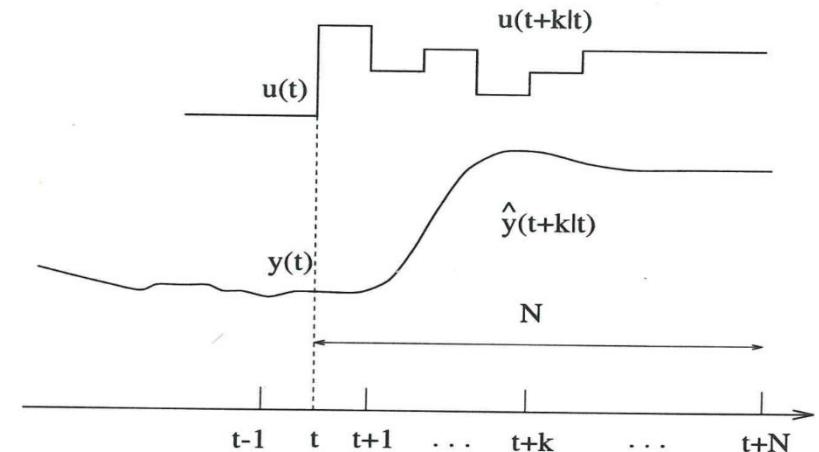


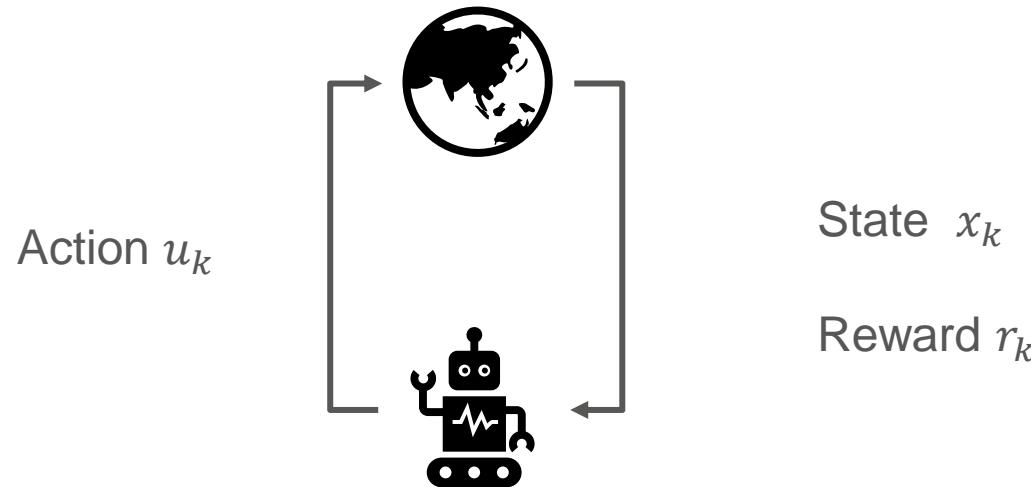
$$(\beta(\mathbf{x}))_i = \sigma(x_i - \frac{1}{2}),$$

$$\sigma(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \geq 0 , \\ 0 & \text{otherwise .} \end{cases}$$

$$J_{x,b}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{\tilde{U}}) = J_x(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{\tilde{U}}) + J_b(\mathbf{\tilde{U}}) .$$

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{\mathbf{x}}_a(k+1) &= \underline{\mathbf{F}}_a \mathbf{L}(\underline{\mathbf{x}}_a(k), \underline{\mathbf{z}}(k)) , \\ \underline{\mathbf{u}}(k) &= \underline{\mathbf{G}}_a \mathbf{L}(\underline{\mathbf{x}}_a(k), \underline{\mathbf{y}}(k))),\end{aligned}$$





Successful in the field of computer games  
Alpha GO



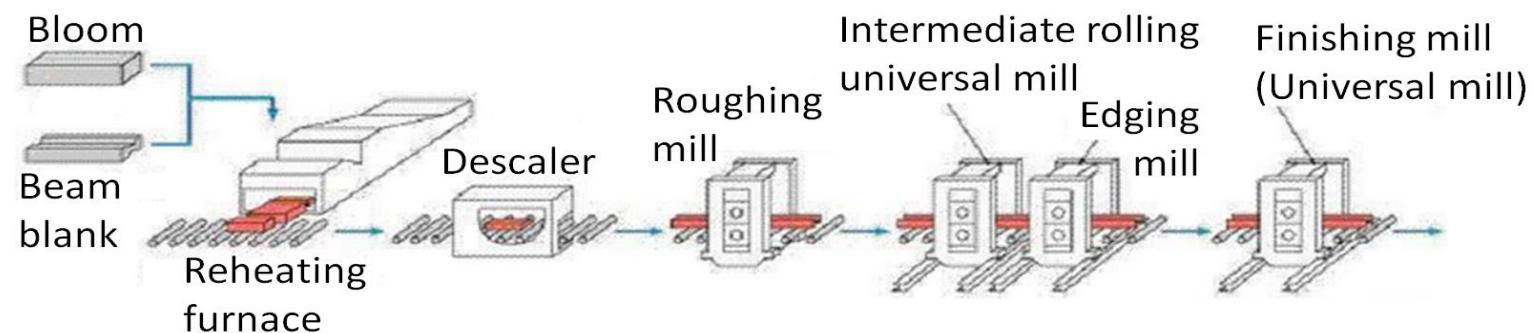
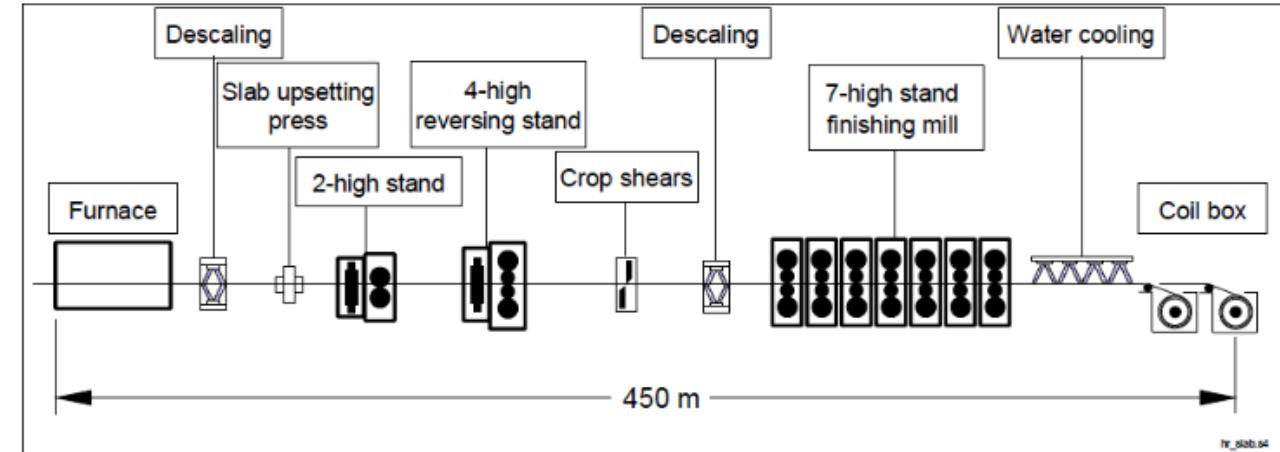
Connection to adaptive control

Is it safe in industriell environment?

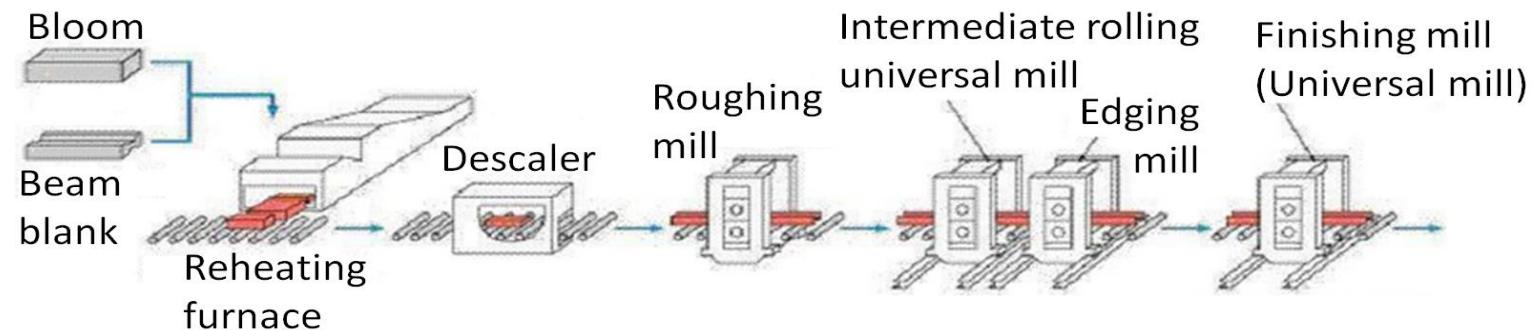
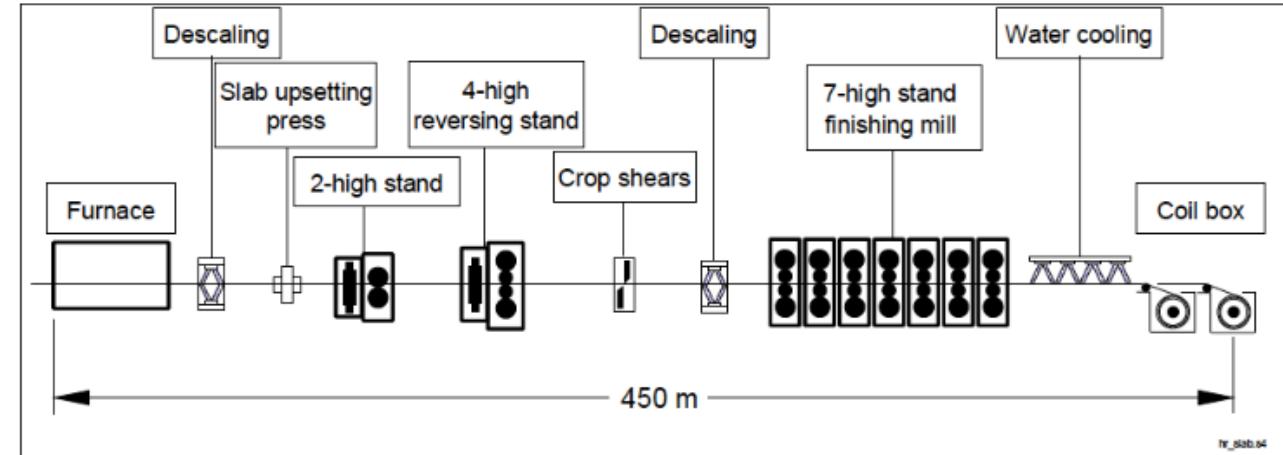
# Reinforcement Learning beyond the simulated environment

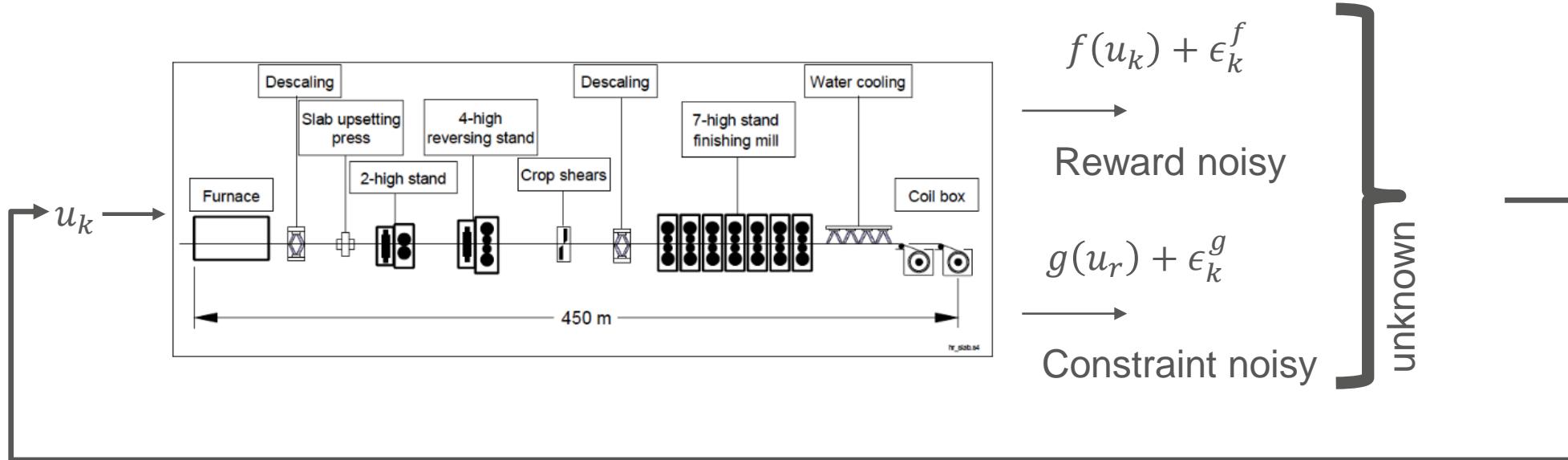


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- › How can a learning system explore efficiently while ensuring safety?

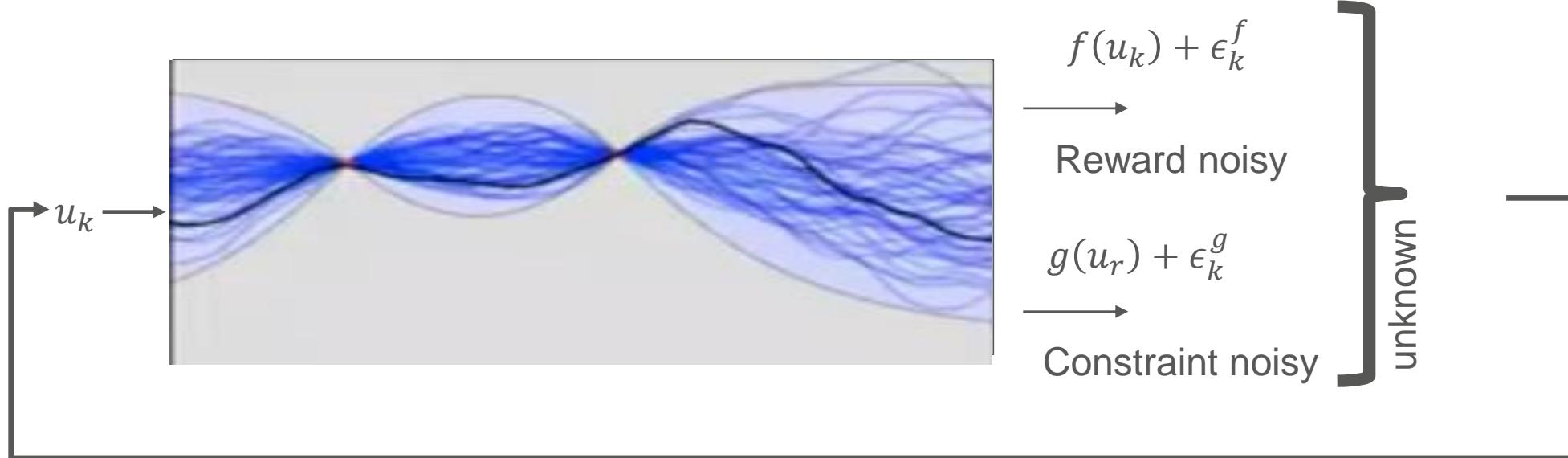




Goal:  $\min_{u_k} f(u_k) \text{ s.t. } g(u_k) \geq 0$

Safety:  $g(u_k) \geq 0 \text{ for all } k$

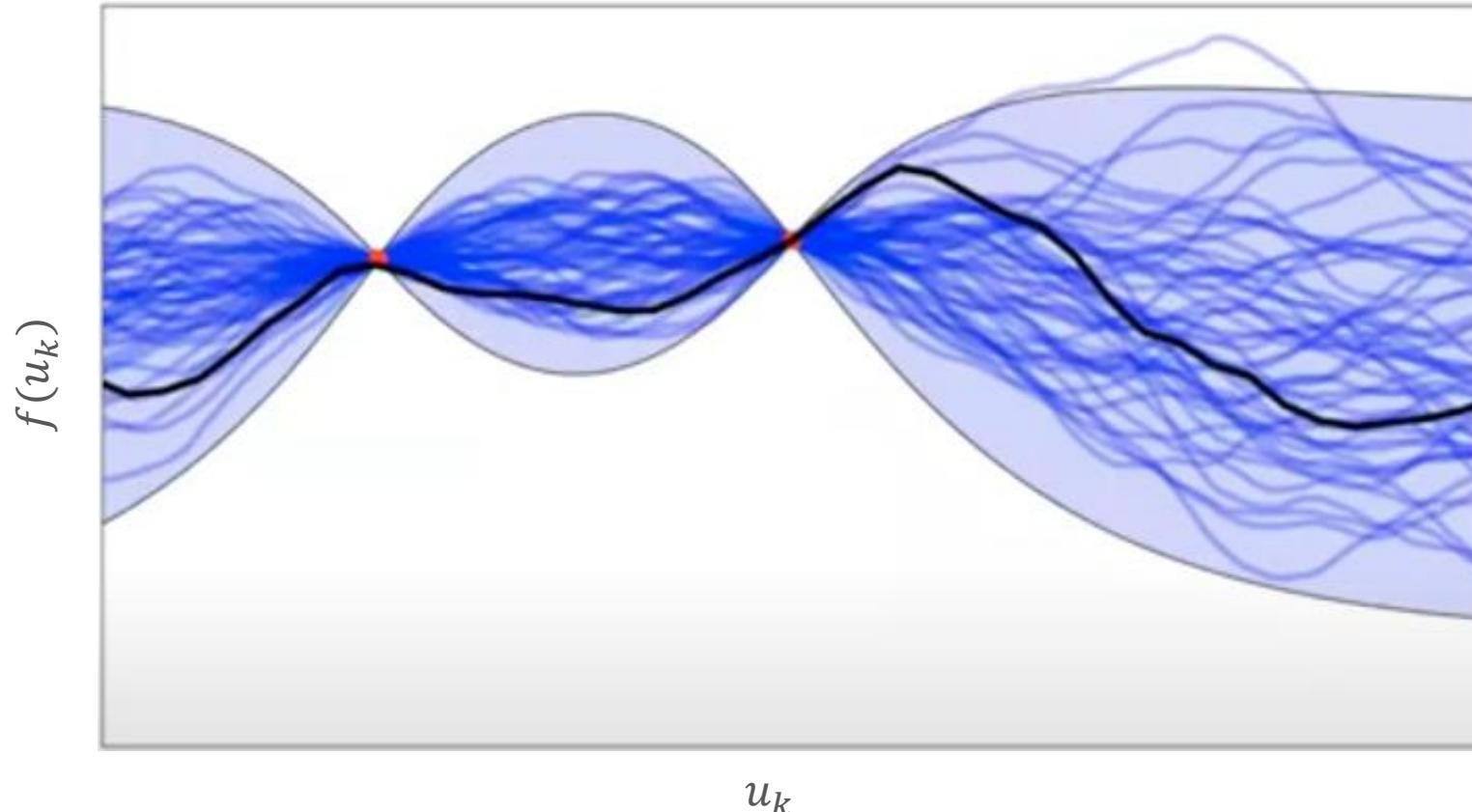
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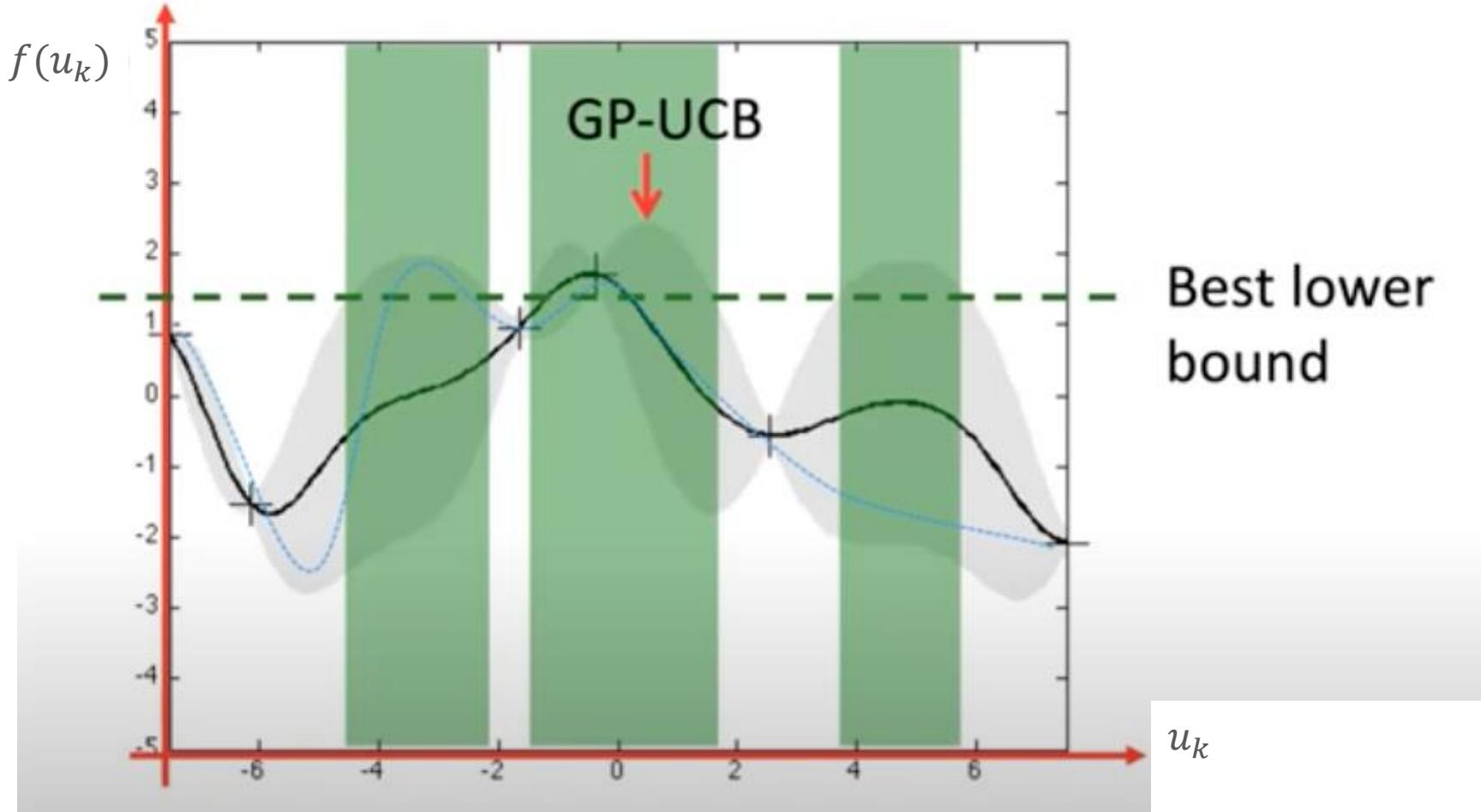
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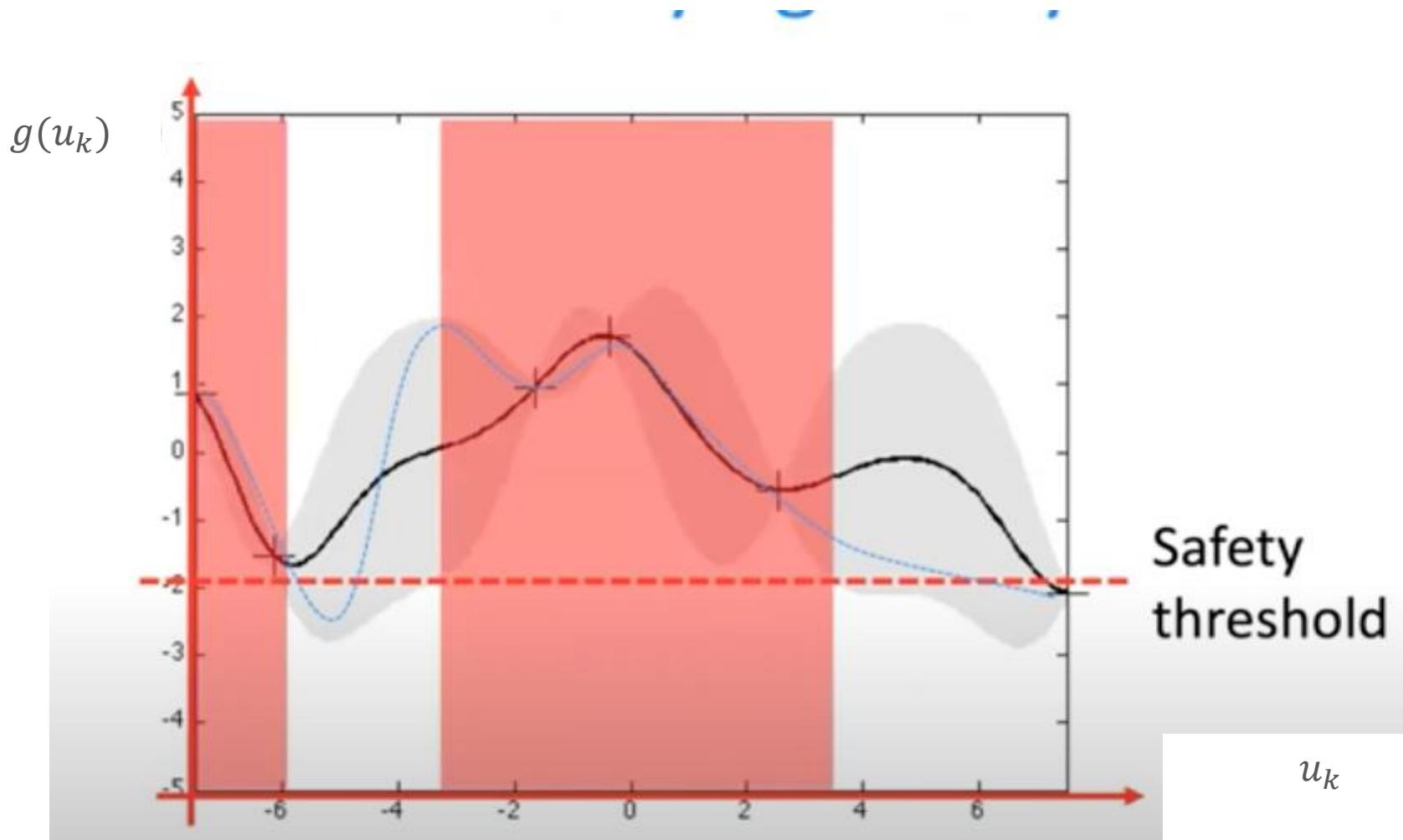
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