PFN Researcher Interview

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Personal Background

- PhD in Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, USA. 2014–2019
  - *"A Multi-DOF Soft Robot Mechanism for Patient Motion Correction and Beam Orientation Selection in Cancer Radiation Therapy."*
- Master of Science in Engineering in Control Systems, The University of Sheffield, Sheffield, United Kingdom. 2012
  - "*Autonomous Navigation of a Rotorcraft Unmanned Aerial Vehicle using Machine Vision*."

Select Publications

- Mechanism and Constitutive Model of a Continuum Robot for Head and Neck Cancer Radiotherapy.
  Olalekan Ogunmolu, Xinmin Liu, Nicholas Gans, and Rodney Wiersma
  Submitted to *Robotics and Automation Letters (ICRA 2020)*, September 2019.
- A Fast Deep Learning Approach for Beam Orientation Selection Using Supervised Learning with Column Generation on IMRT Prostate Cancer Patients
  Azar Sadeghnejad Barkousaraie, **Olalekan Ogunmolu**, Steve Jiang, and Dan Nguyen.
  Submitted to *Medical Physics (An AAPM Journal)*, May 2019.
- More on my online publications page.

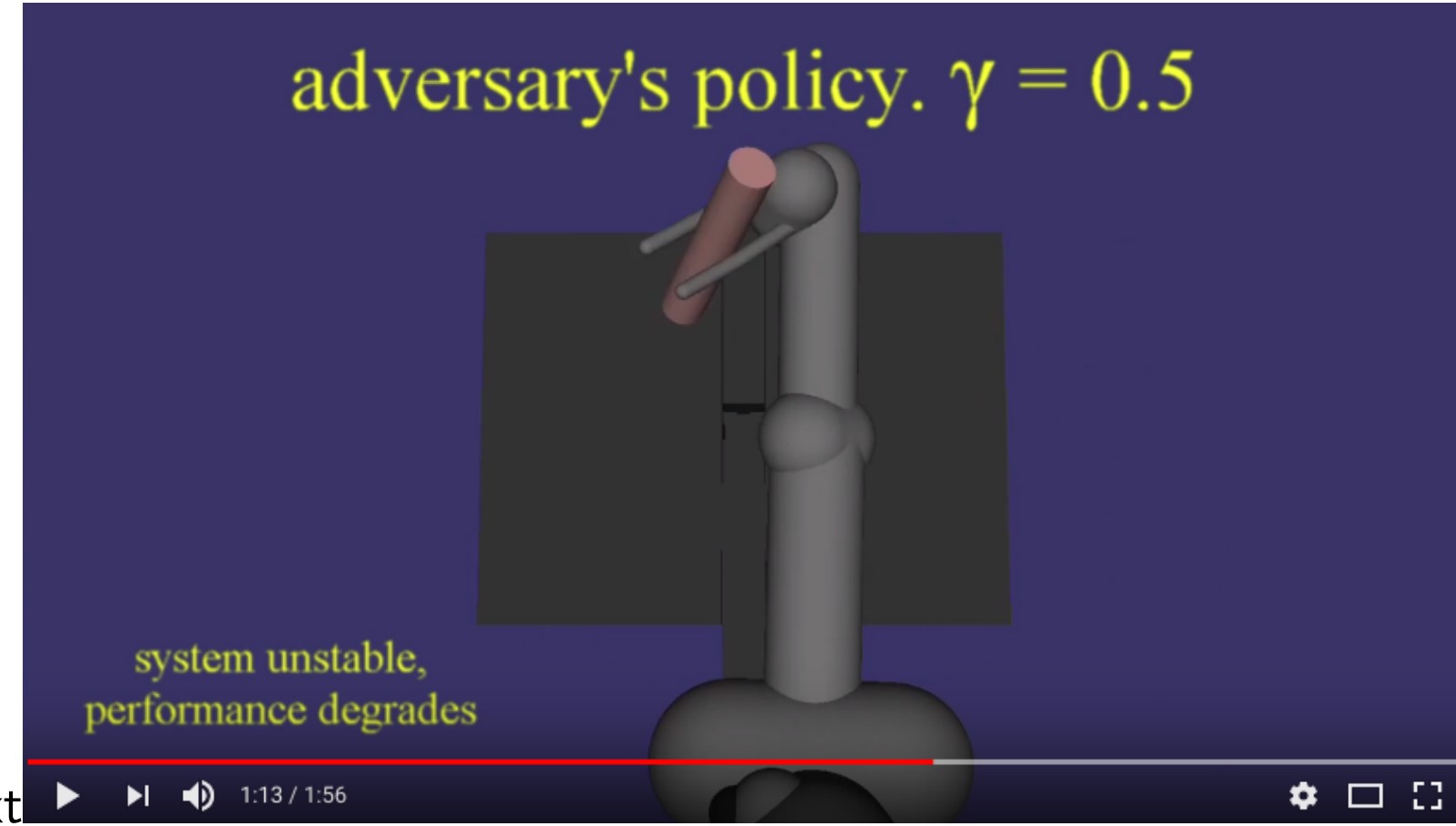
Select Publications

- Deep BOO: Automating Beam Orientation Selection in Intensity Modulated Radiation Therapy
  Olalekan Ogunmolu, Michael Folkerts, Dan Nguyen, Nicholas Gans, and Steve Jiang.
  Algorithmic Foundations of Robotics XIII, International Workshop (*WAFR*), Mérida, Mexico. December 2018.
- Minimax Iterative Dynamic Game: Application to Nonlinear Robot Control Tasks
  Olalekan Ogunmolu, Nicholas Gans, and Tyler Summers.
  IEEE/RSJ International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (*IROS*), Madrid, Spain. October 2018. DOI: 10.1109/IROS.2018.8594037.

Select Experience

- **Visiting Postdoctoral Scholar**, Department of Radiation and Cellular Oncology, Pritzker School of Medicine, The University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, USA. Summer 2019.
- **Postdoctoral Scholar**, Perelman School of Medicine, The University of Pennsylvania, Philadelpia, PA, USA. 2019 - Present.
- **Hardware Integration Intern**, Amazon Robotics LLC, North Reading, MA, USA. 2016.

Technical Presentation Overview



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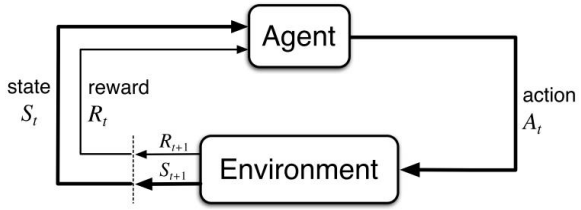
The robustness conundrum

- How to know *a priori* a policy's robustness limits?



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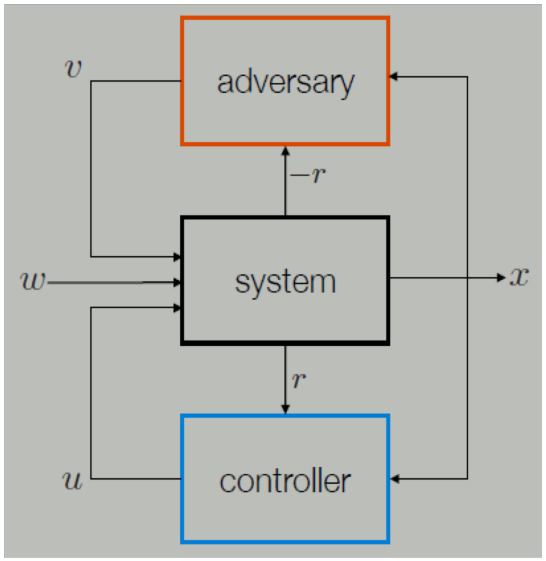
- How to inculcate robustness into multistage decision policies?



Problem Setup

- To quantify the brittleness, we optimize the stage cost

$$\max_{\mathbf{v}_t \sim \psi \in \Psi} \left[\sum_{t=0}^{T} \underbrace{c(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{u}_t)}_{\text{nominal}} - \gamma \underbrace{g(\mathbf{v}_t)}_{\text{adversarial}} \right]$$

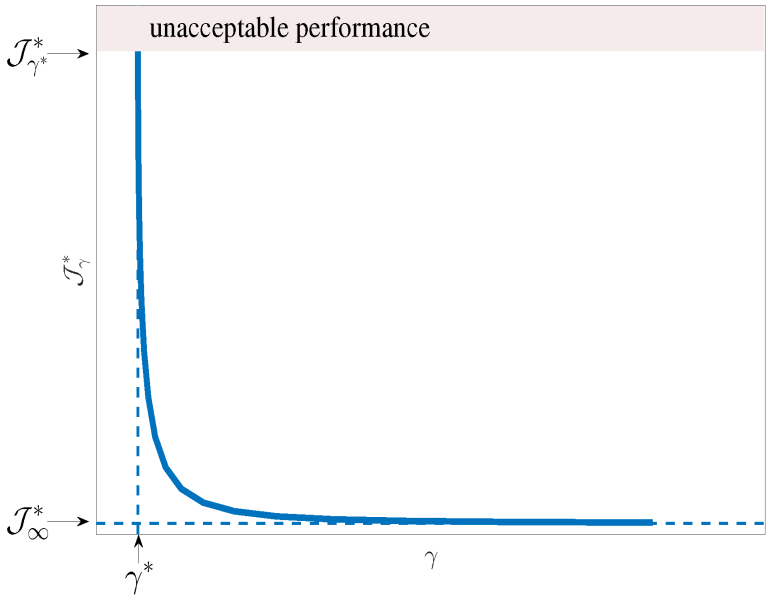
- To mitigate lack of robustness, we optimize the *cost-to-go*

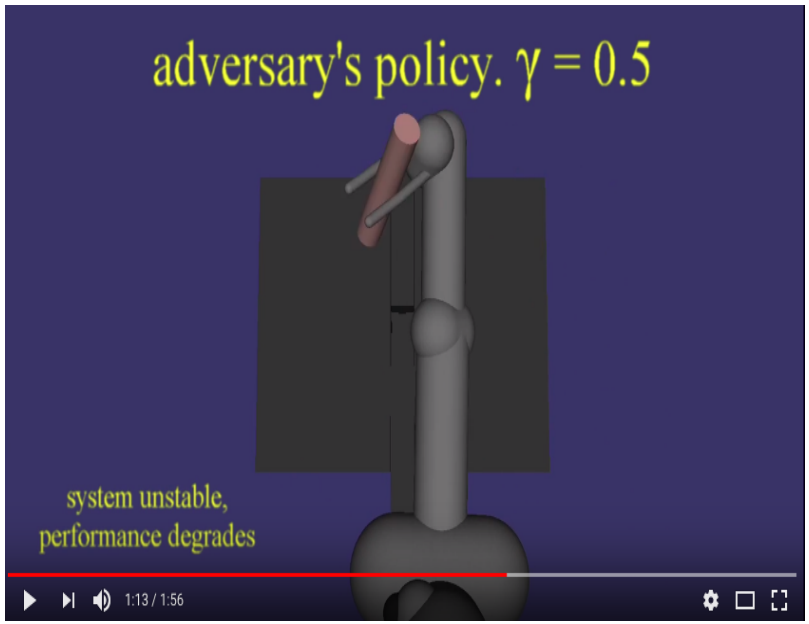
$$\mathcal{J}_t(\mathbf{x}_t, \pi, \psi) = \min_{\mathbf{u}_t \sim \boldsymbol{\pi}} \max_{\mathbf{v}_t \sim \psi} \left(\sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \ell_t(\mathbf{x}_t, \mathbf{u}_t, \mathbf{v}_t) + L_T(\mathbf{x}_T) \right),$$

- and seek a saddle point equilibrium policy that satisfies

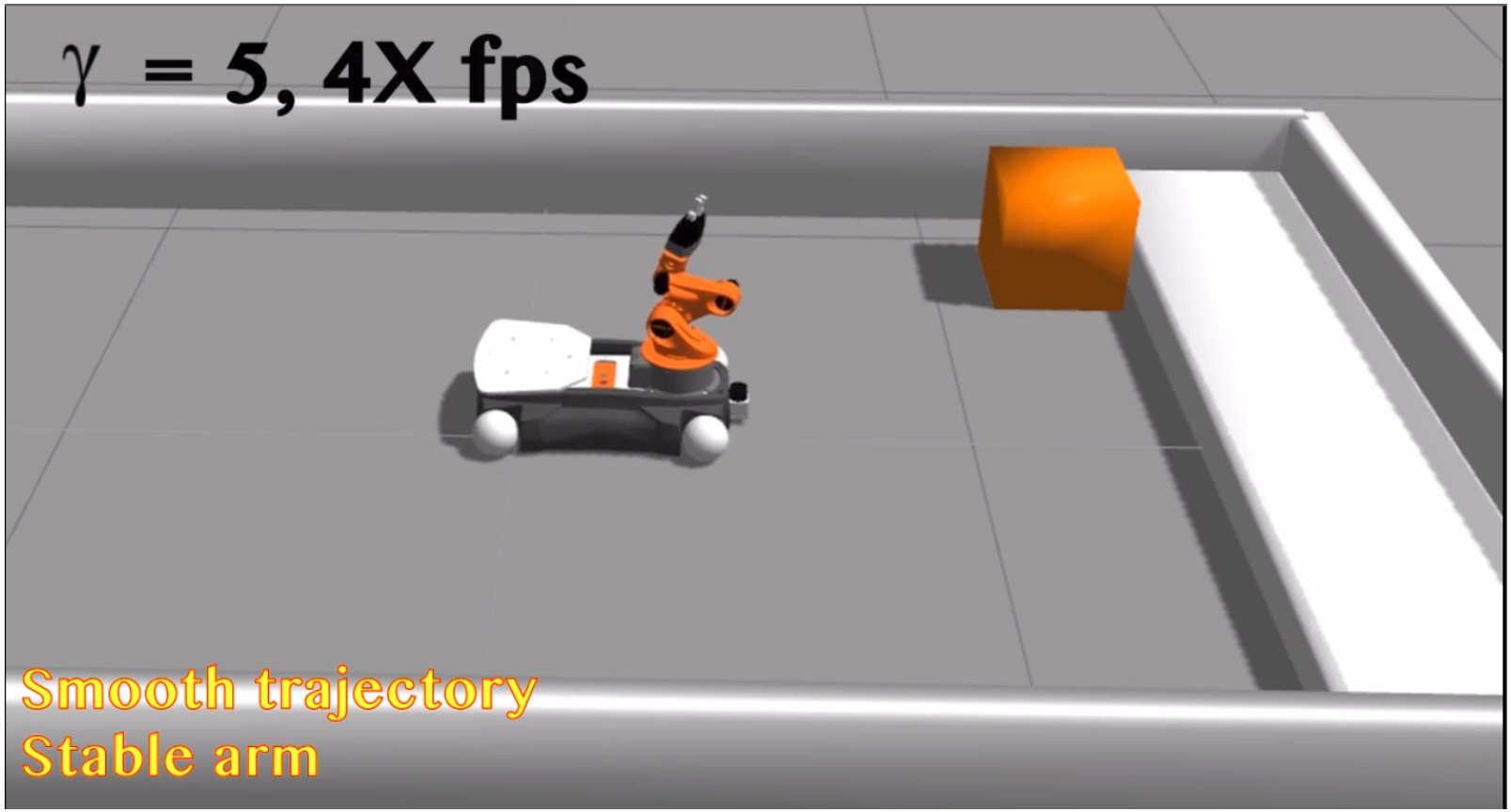
$$\mathcal{J}_t(\mathbf{x}_t, \pi^*, \psi) \leq \mathcal{J}_t(\mathbf{x}_t, \pi^*, \psi^*) \leq \mathcal{J}_t(\mathbf{x}_t, \pi, \psi^*),$$

Results: Brittleness Quantification





ILQG Algorithm Example



Results: Iterative Dynamic Game

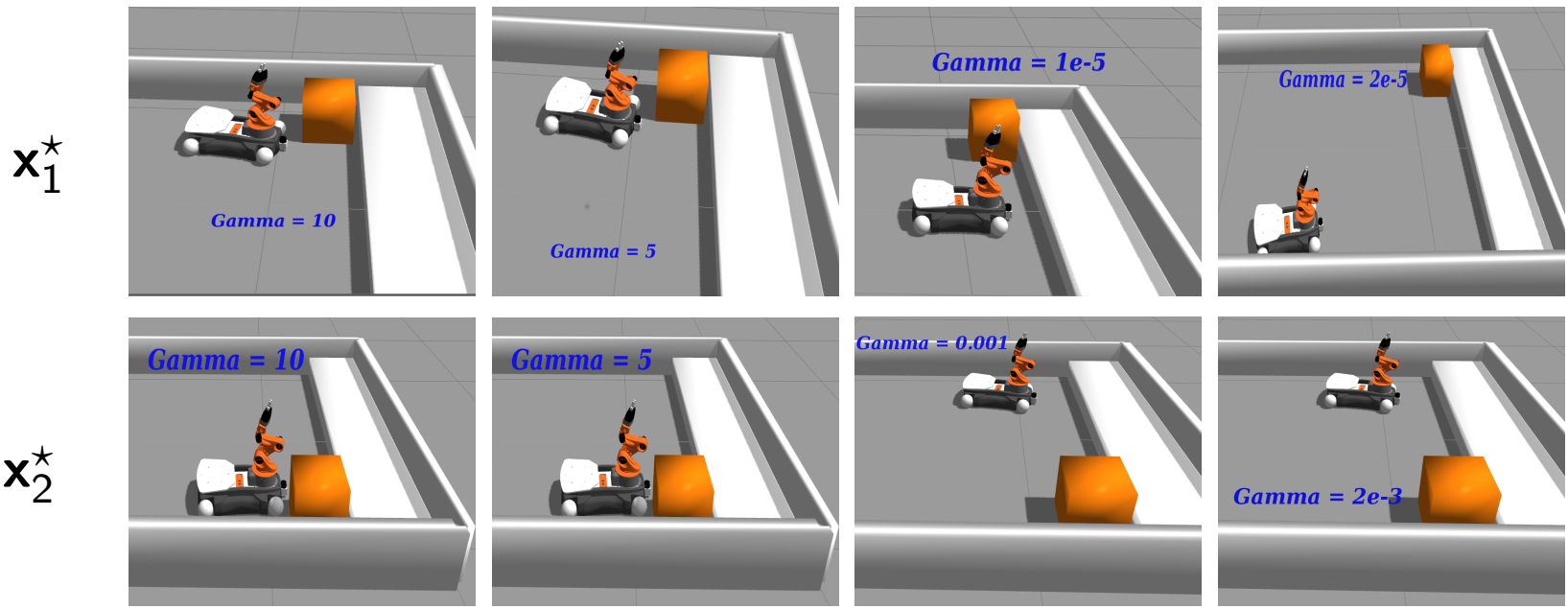


Table: *

End pose of the KUKA platform with our iDG formulation given different goal states and γ-values