

## Cost Inference in Smooth Dynamic Games from Noise-Corrupted Partial State Observations

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## Dynamic Games

### Given

- Joint state dynamics

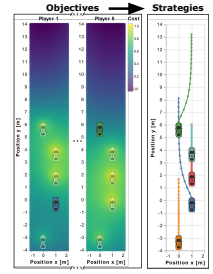
$$x_{t+1} = f(x_t, u_t^1, \dots, u_t^N)$$

- Player objectives

$$J^i := \sum_{t=1}^T g_t^i(x_t, u_t^1, \dots, u_t^N)$$

### Find

- Nash equilibrium strategies



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## Inverse Dynamic Games

### Given

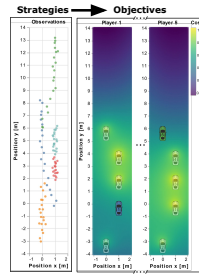
- Observations

$$y \sim p(y | x, u)$$

- Dynamics

$$x_{t+1} = f(x_t, u_t^1, \dots, u_t^N)$$

**Which objectives explain the observed behavior?**



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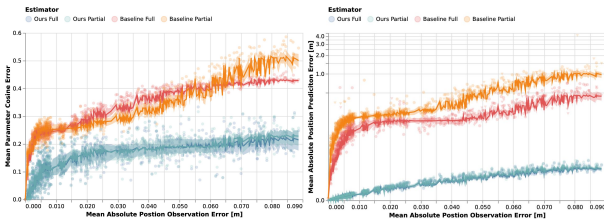
## Objective Inference as Guided Equilibrium Search

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\theta, x, u, \lambda} \quad & \sum_{t \in [T]} \|y_t - h(x_t)\|_2^2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \left[ \begin{array}{c} \nabla_x J^i + \lambda^{i\top} \nabla_x F(x, u) \\ \nabla_u J^i + \lambda^{i\top} \nabla_u F(x, u) \\ F(x, u) \end{array} \right] = 0 \quad \forall i \in [N] \end{aligned}$$

**Can be encoded by existing modeling languages for constrained optimization.**

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## Results



Baseline: Cost inference on pre-filtered states.

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**Code**  
[github.com/PRBonn/PartiallyObservedInverseGames](https://github.com/PRBonn/PartiallyObservedInverseGames)

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