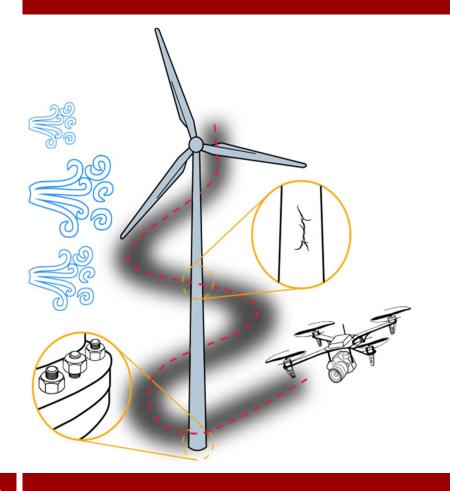
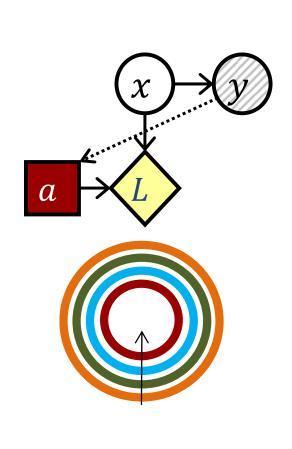
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exploring infrastructure systems: free and constrained sensing optimization





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motivation: crumbling infrastructure systems

Roads: \$101 billion in wasted time and fuel annually, \$170 billion needed to improve conditions and performance.

Bridges: 600,000 bridges, average age 42 years, (1/9: structurally deficient). \$20.5 billion needed, \$12.8 billion currently spent.

[annual estimates by FHWA]

Energy: "America relies on an aging electrical grid and pipeline distribution systems [...] increasing number of failures"

Cyber-physical systems: How to integrate sensors and robotic inspectors in adaptive maintenance strategies for interconnected systems?





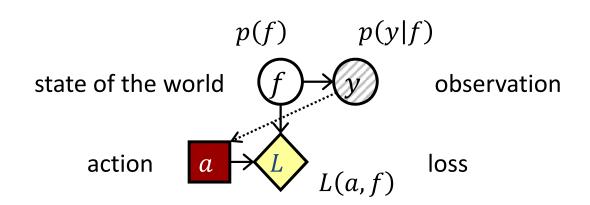
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the value of information

Vol is metric based on Bayesian analysis and utility theory.



Exp. loss w/o
$$Y$$
 $L(\emptyset) = \min_{a} \mathbb{E}_{F} \left[L(a,f) \right]$ Value of information
$$L(Y) = \mathbb{E}_{Y} \min_{a} \mathbb{E}_{F|y} \left[L(a,f) \right]$$
 Value of information
$$Vol(Y) = L(\emptyset) - L(Y) \geq 0$$
 observing Y

[inference $\rightarrow p(f|y)$] [optimization]

[integration using all possible measures: p(y)]



information gathering:
$$Y^* = \underset{a}{\operatorname{argmin}} L(Y) = \underset{a}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mathbb{E}_Y \underset{a}{\min} \mathbb{E}_{F|y}[L(a,f)]$$
[optimization]

why Vol is relevant: applications

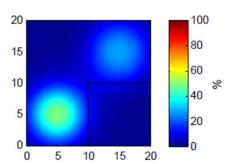
It can be used for assessing the maximum allowable investment for obtaining a piece of information.

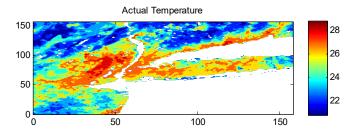
It can be used for comparing exploitative and explorative actions.

It can be used for giving priorities among observations that can be collected.

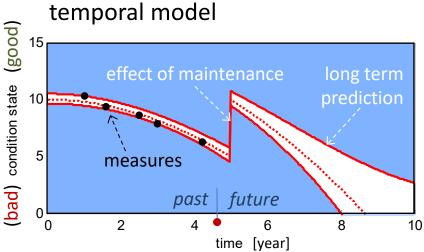
spatial models





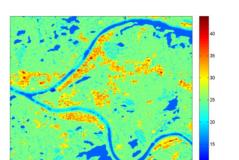






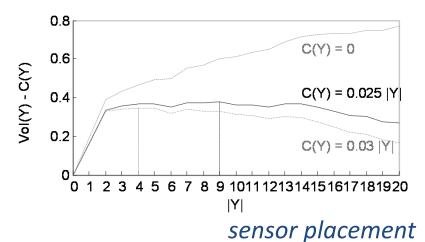
application to Urban Heat Risk

urban heat island effect



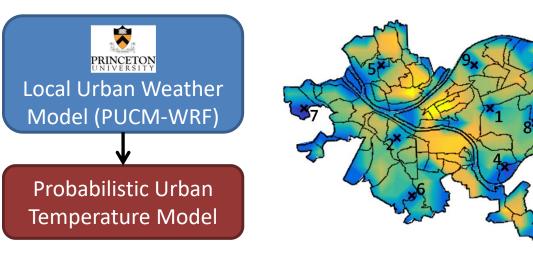
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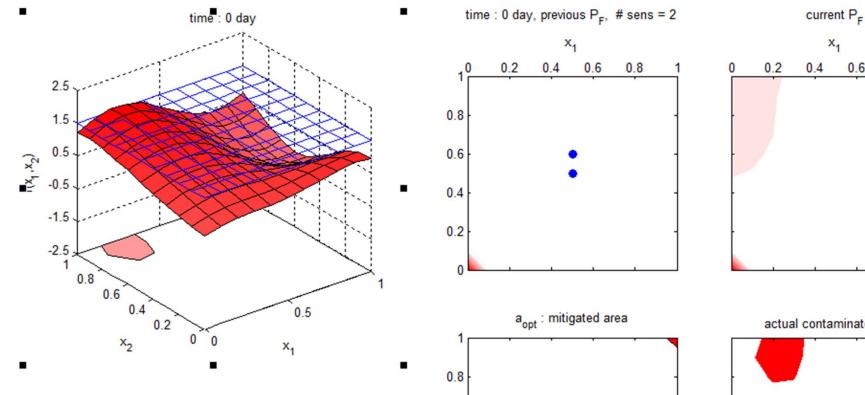
uncertainty in temperature prediction

tasks: modelling temperature, optimizing data collection.



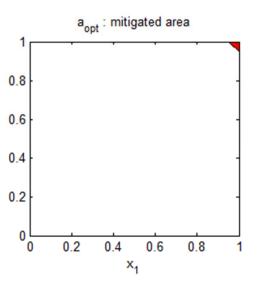
tools: Gaussian Processes, greedy optimization of Value of Information.

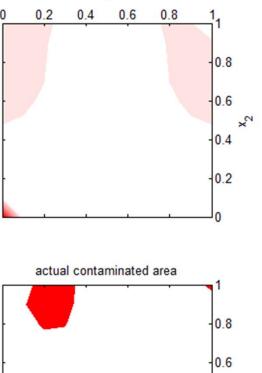
adaptive measurement scheduling



Contamination diffusion: Optimal sensor placement

It is related to Uncertainty, Expected value, Correlation with other locations and with future values.





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Vol in civil engineering research

Economics:

Howard Raiffa and R. Schlaifer, 1961 Ron Howard, 1966

Computer Science:

Andreas Krause

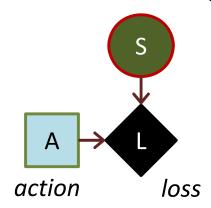
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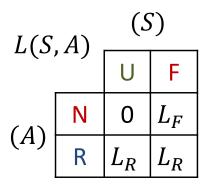
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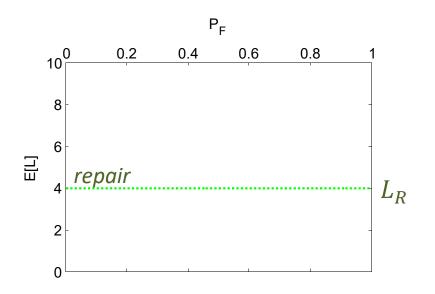


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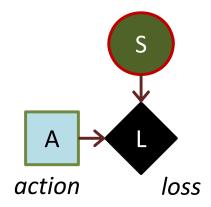


agent's loss matrix



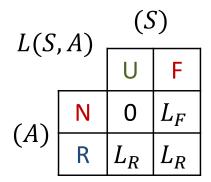
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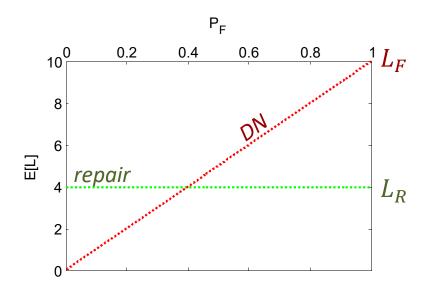


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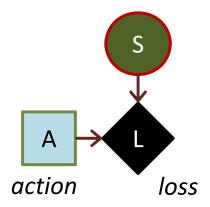


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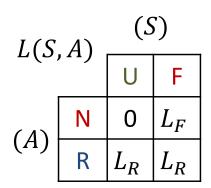
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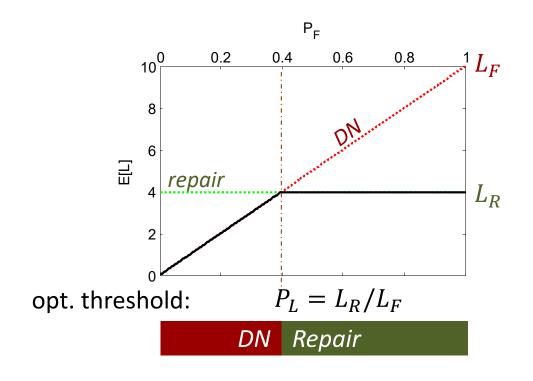


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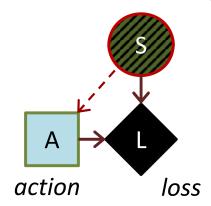


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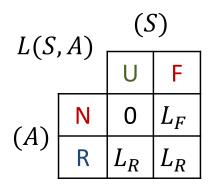
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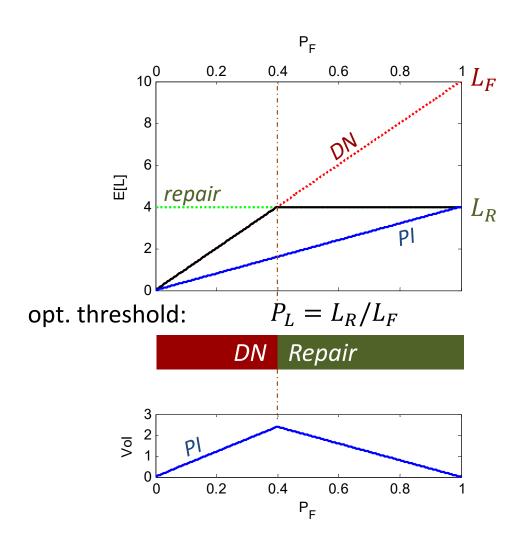


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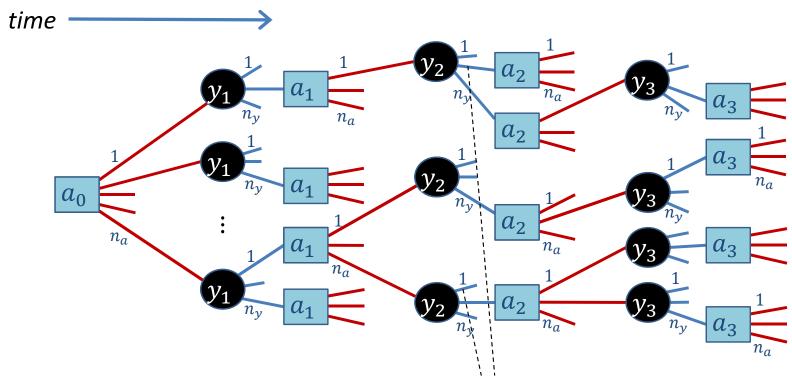
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decision tree and Markov process

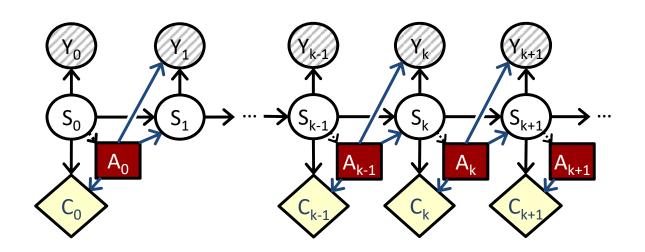


of leaves on a tree grows exponentially with number of steps (depth growth).

if same sufficient statistics: then same optimal action

Bellman's equation: complexity can grow linearly with number of steps.

sequential decision making

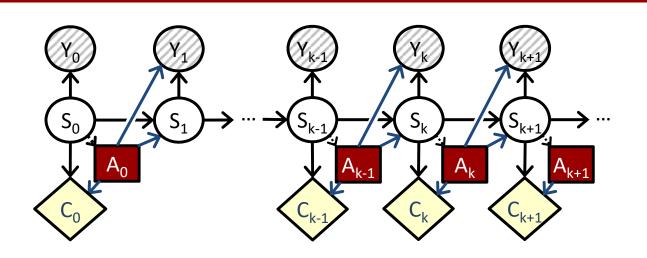


observations

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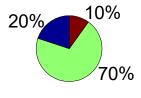
one-stage decision, as before

multi-stage temporal process



observations

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belief *b*:
probability
of current
state

goal: minimize expected discounted sum of long-term costs

example: 3 states: undamaged, damaged, collapsed

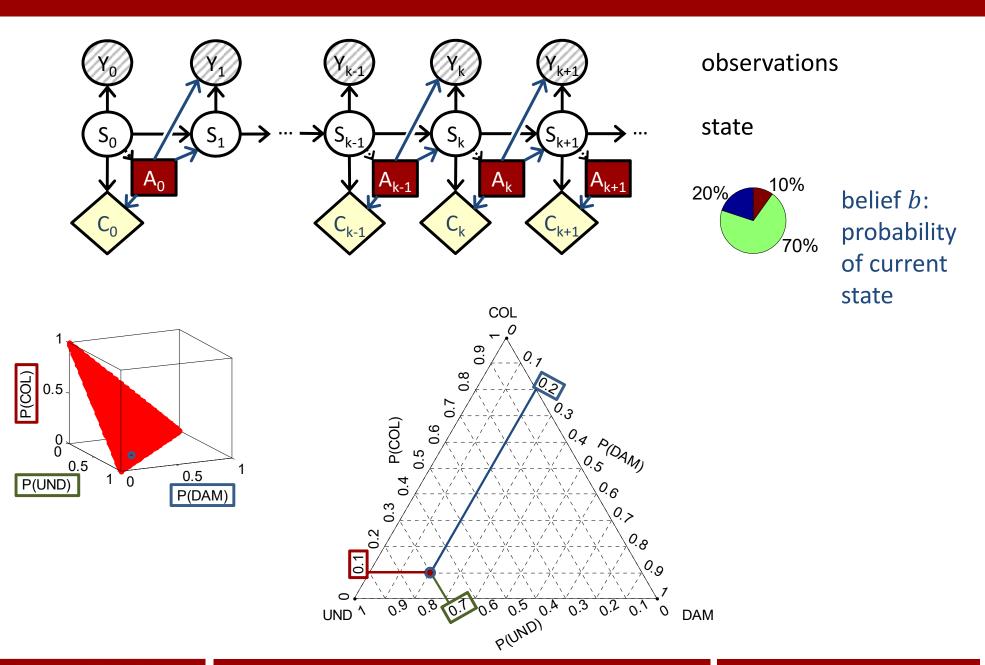
3 actions: do nothing, inspect, repair.

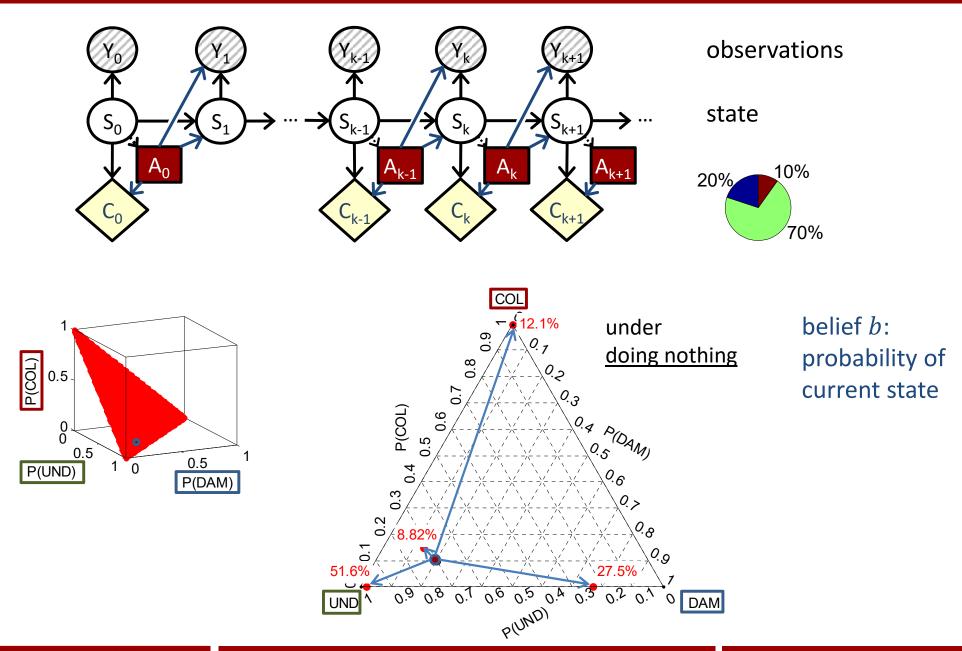
4 observations

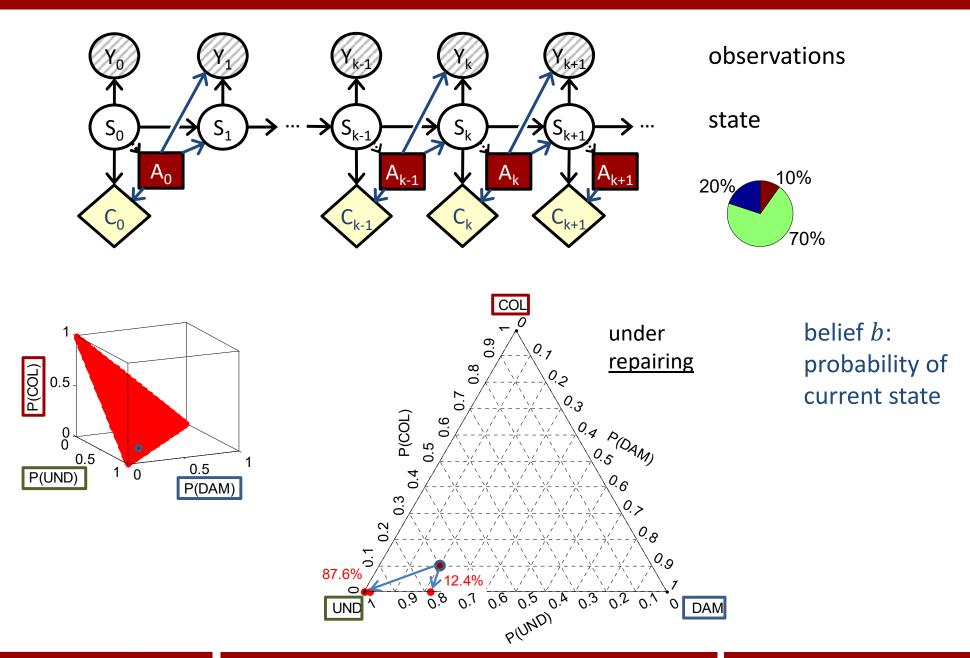
transition probability: "how the system evolves, depending on actions"

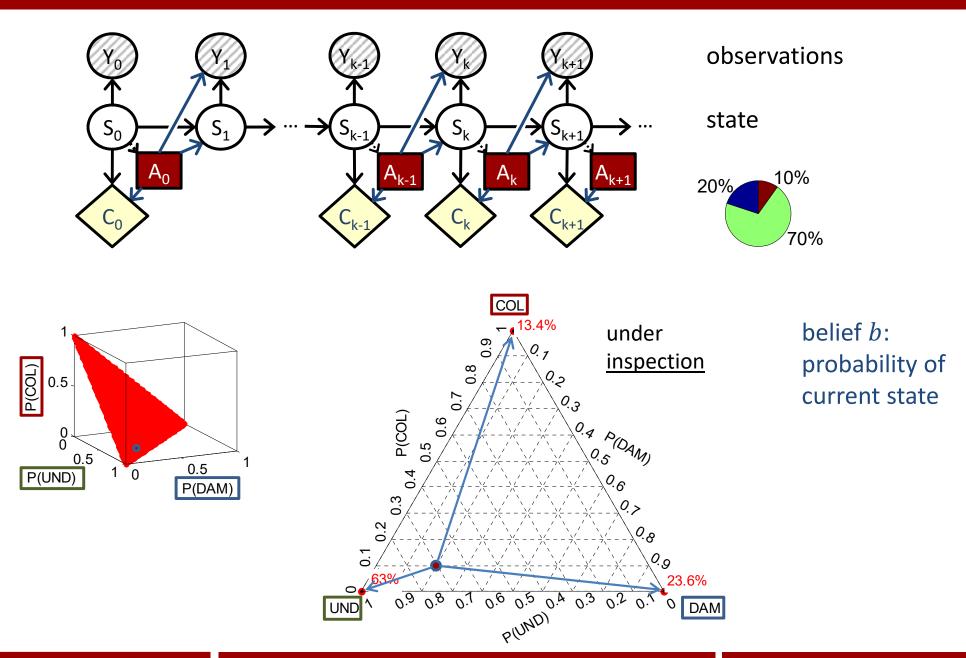
emission probability: "how physical state is related to observations"

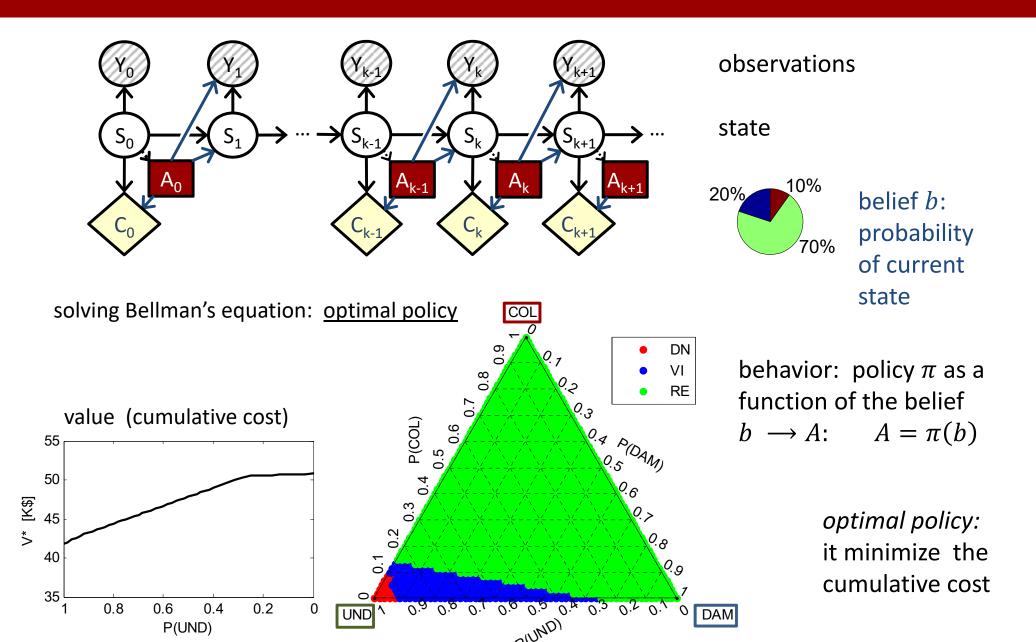
belief: $b_k = P[S_k = i | y_{1,\dots,k}]$

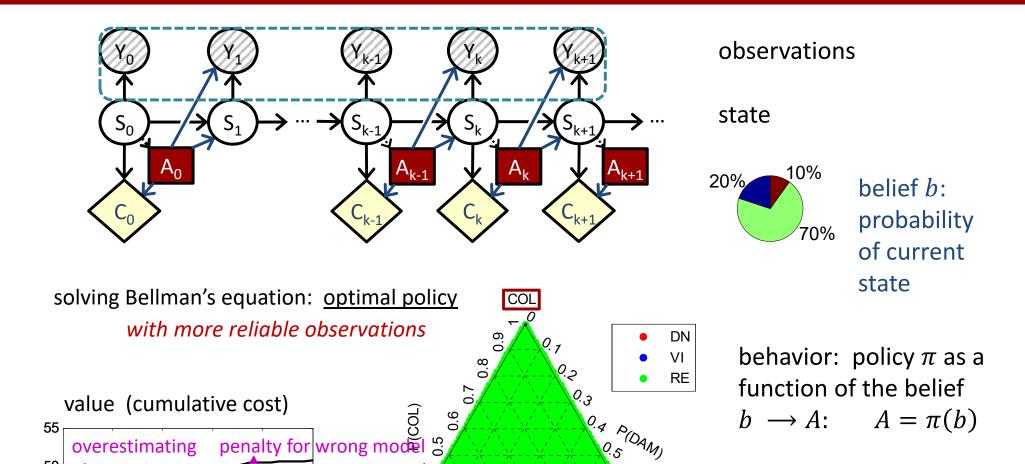


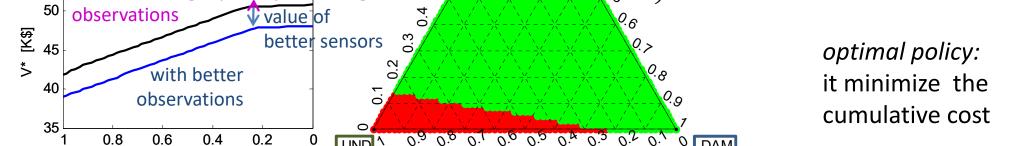








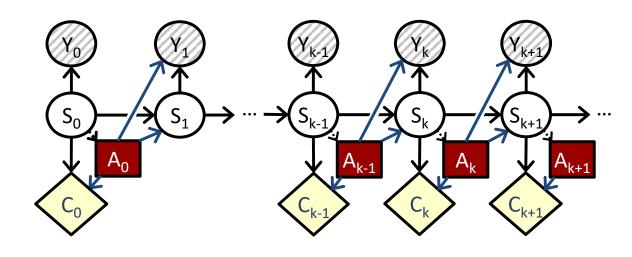




overestimating

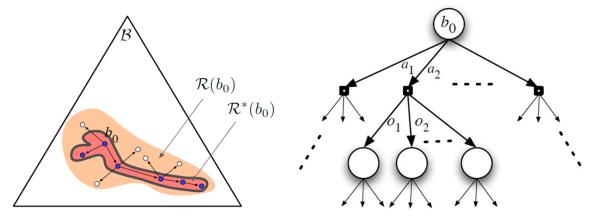
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solving POMDP: SARSOP



observations

state



SARSOP software

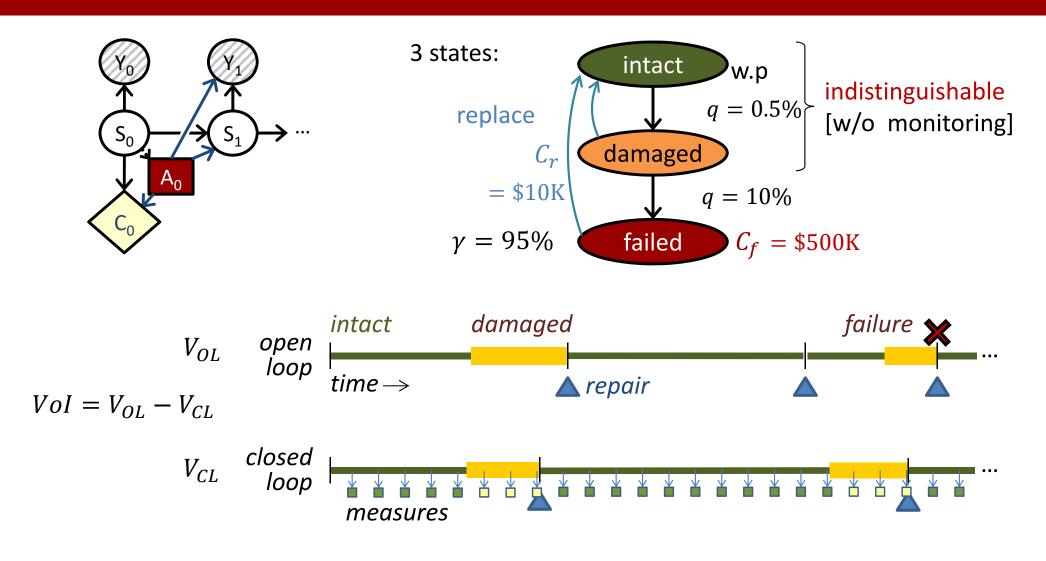
successive approximations of the Reachable Space under Optimal Policies.

http://bigbird.comp.nus.edu.sg/pmwiki/farm/appl/

[pictures taken from:]

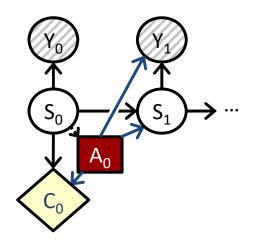
H Kurniawati, D Hsu, WS Lee, (2008), "SARSOP: Efficient Point-Based POMDP Planning by Approximating Optimally Reachable Belief Spaces." *Robotics: Science and Systems*

general setting for parametric analysis



parameters: measure accuracy, measure availability, failure time predictability, repair cost, reaction time, discount factor.

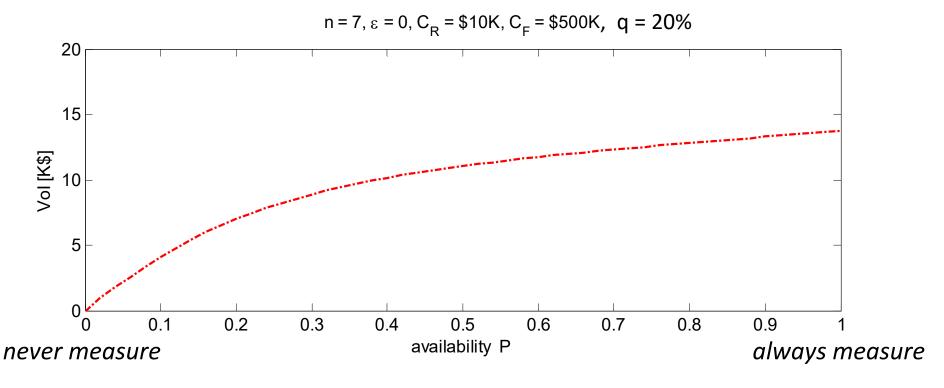
sensitivity of Vol to availability



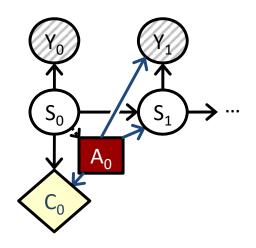
availability: "how frequently you measure"

Vol is monotonically increasing with measure availability.

In this setting, Vol grows faster for low availability and slower for high availability [submodularity]



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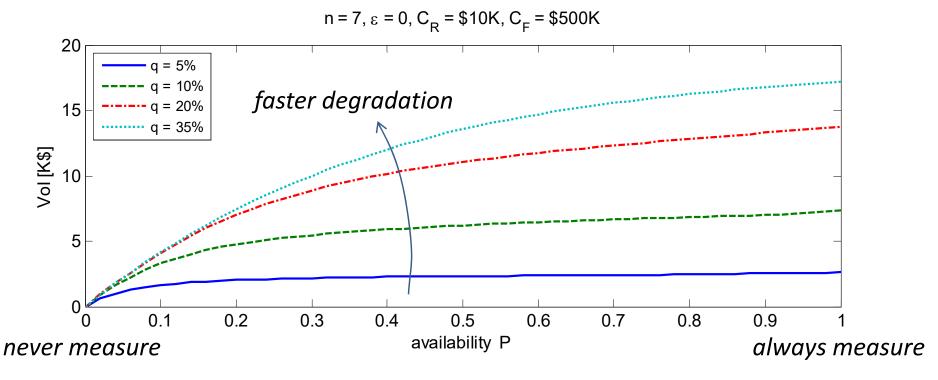


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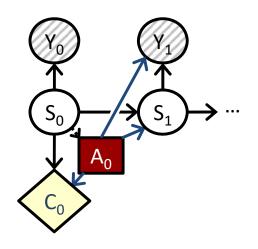
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e.g., if degradation is slow, the additional benefit of monitoring more than 40% of the time is negligible.



sensitivity of Vol to inaccuracy



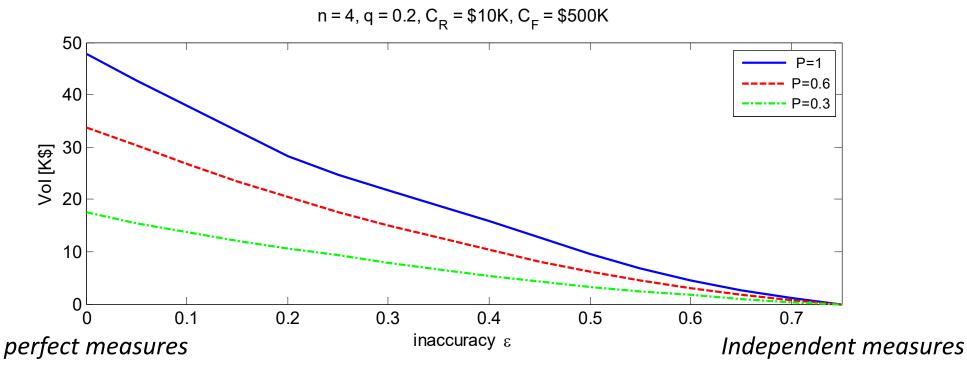
inaccuracy: "probability of incorrect detection"

Vol is monotonically decreasing with inaccuracy.

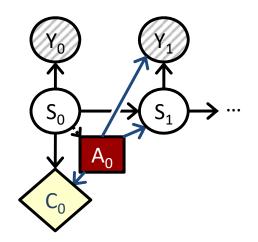
For zero inaccuracy, state observation is perfect.

Too inaccurate measures are useless.

This graph allows for comparing pair availability/inaccuracy.

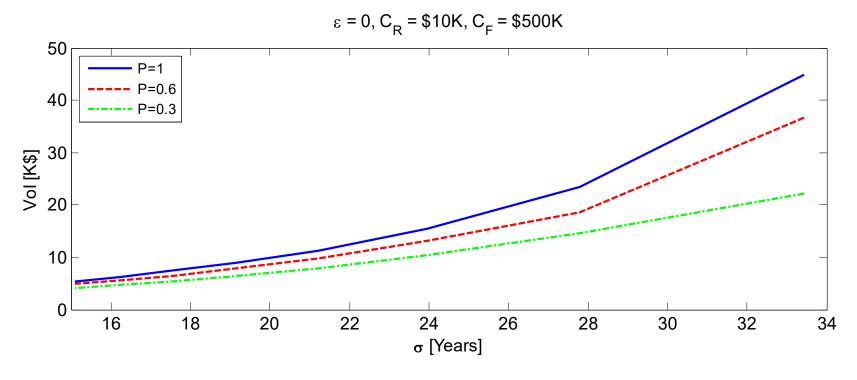


sensitivity of Vol to unpredictability

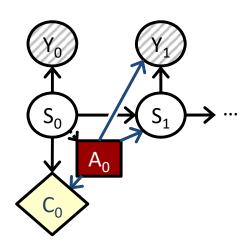


unpredictability: "expected prior error in guessing the time of failure"

Here Vol is monotonically increasing with unpredictability. If the degradation process can be well predicted even without the monitoring support, the Vol is low.



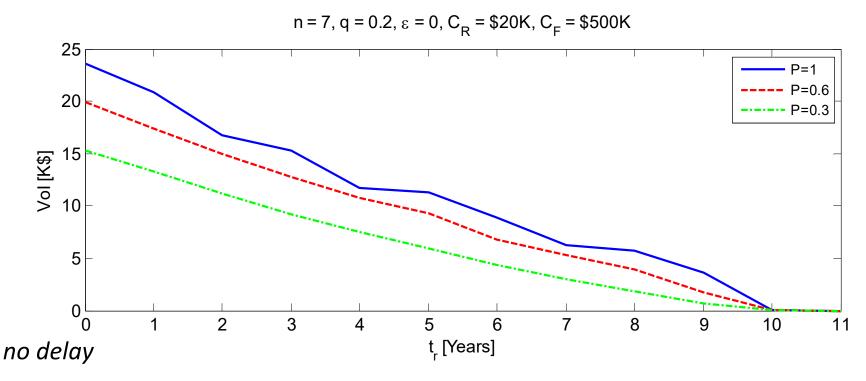
sensitivity of Vol to reaction time



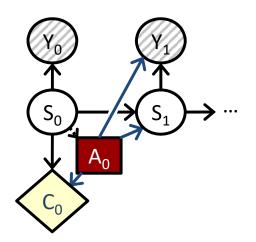
reaction time: "how many steps are needed for implementing a repair"

Vol is monotonically decreasing with reaction time.

Higher reaction times pose stronger constraints in using the information the sensors provides.



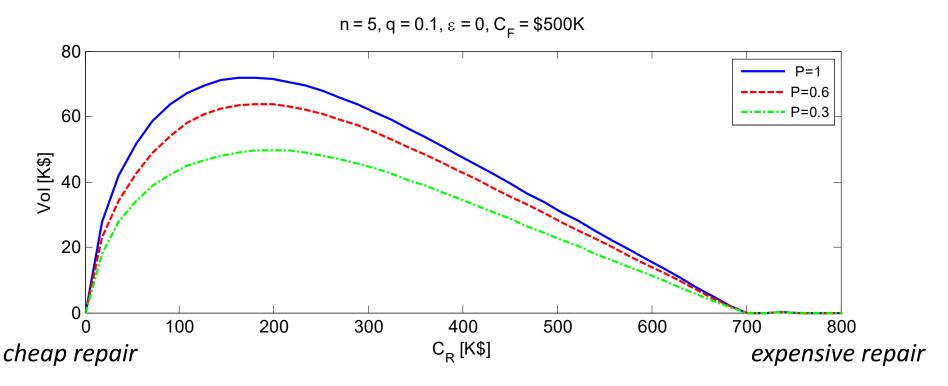
sensitivity of Vol to repair cost



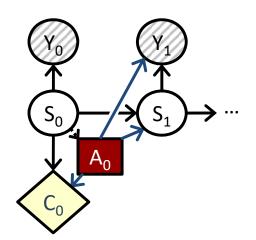
Vol is monotonically decreasing with reaction time.

It cannot be monotonic:

it needs to be zero when the cost of repair is zero and when it is infinite.



sensitivity of Vol to discount factor

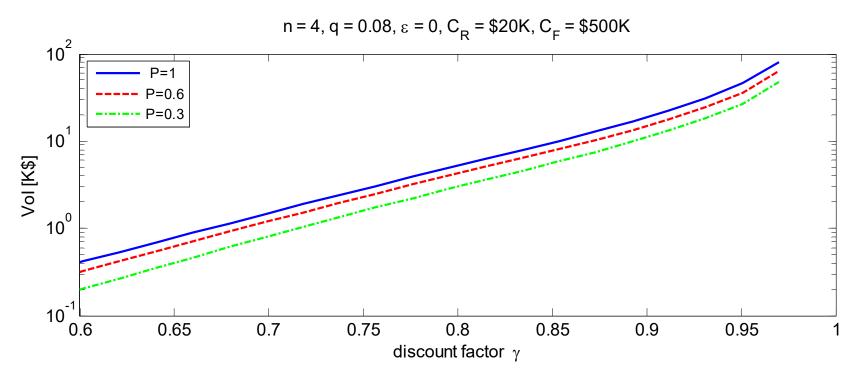


discount factor: "value of a dollar at next step"

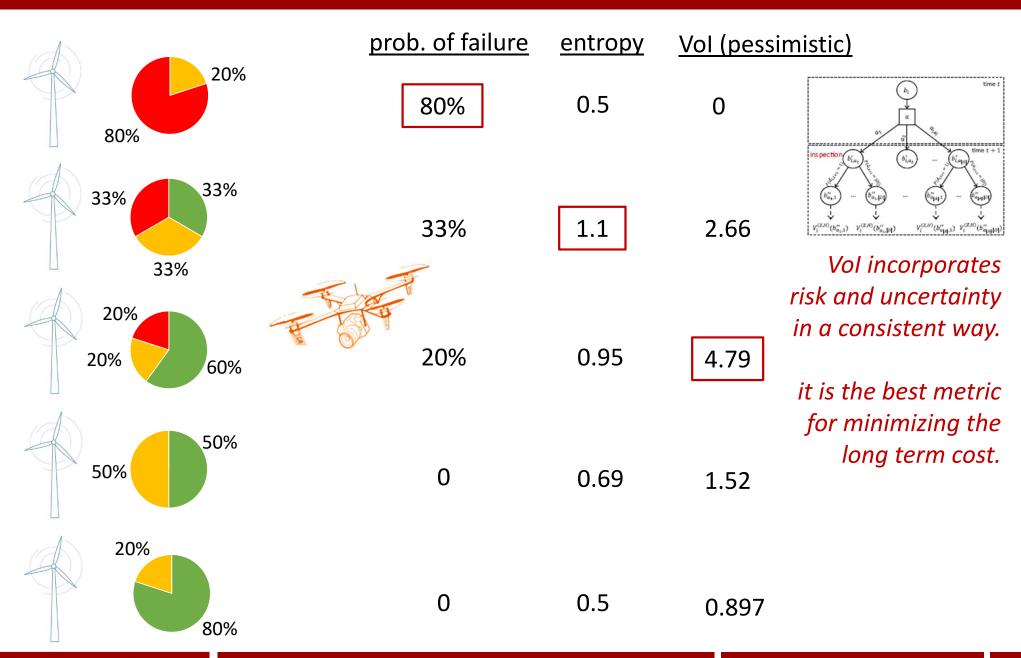
Vol is monotonically increasing with discount factor. [?]

As initial state is intact, the VoI is negligible when γ <60%.

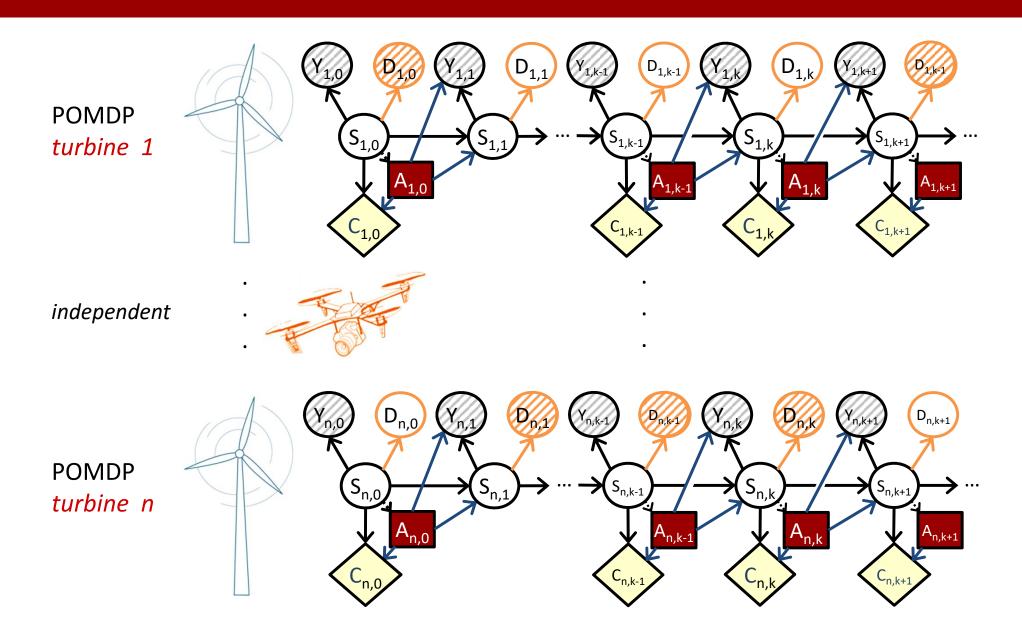
For factor going to one, the value goes to infinite.



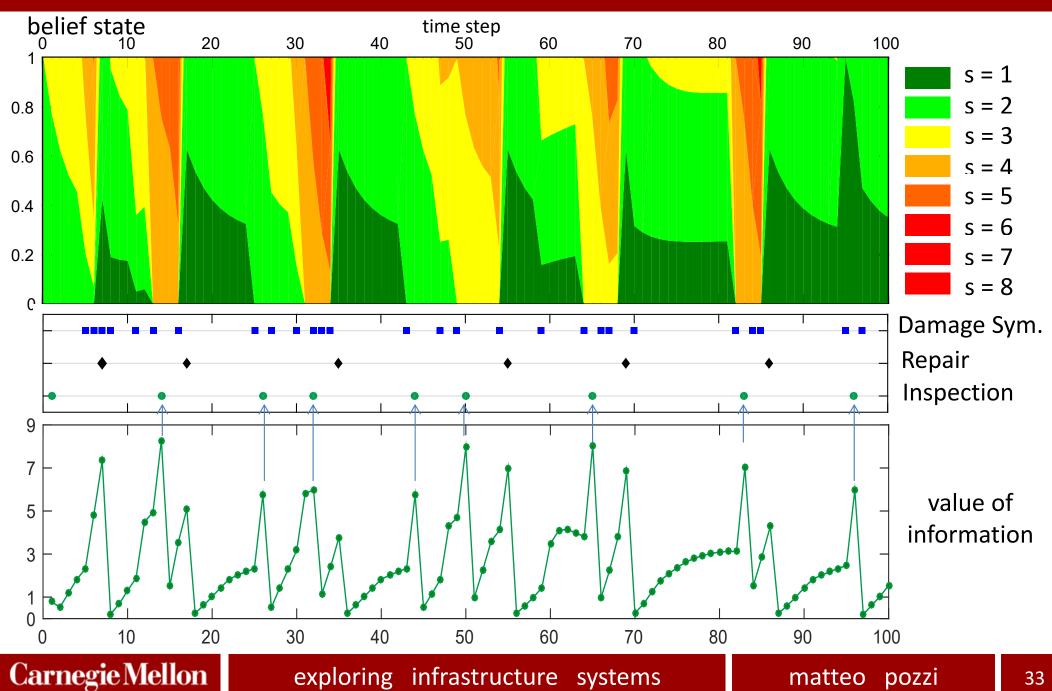
how to allocate inspectors across components?



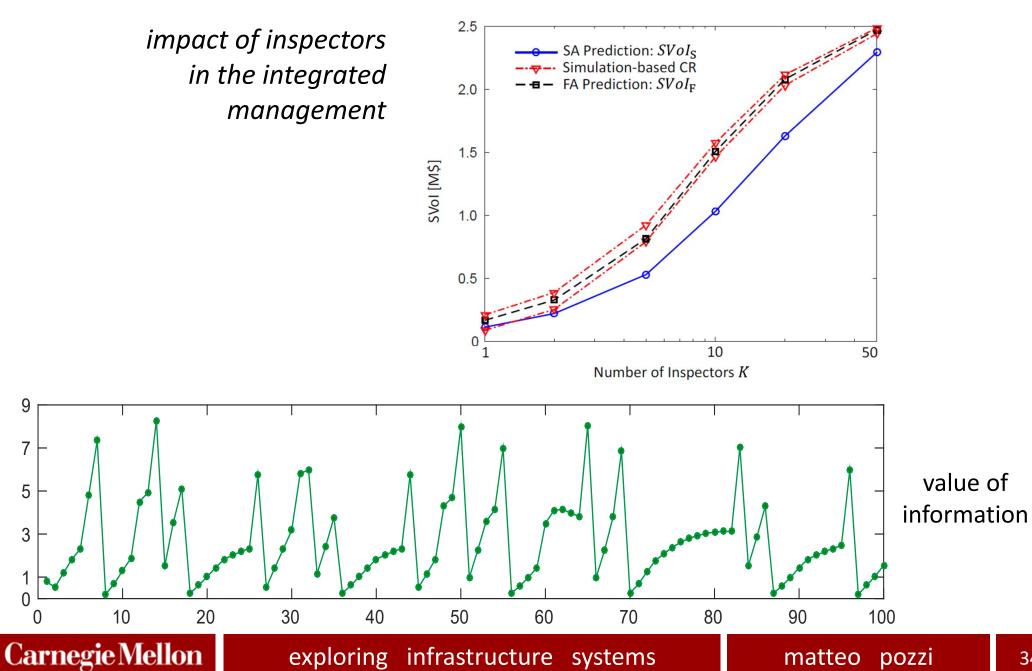
a system made by parallel POMDPs



multi-state example: with Inspectors



multi-state example: with Inspectors



summary on Vol in sequential decision making

The Value of Information is a concept related to pre-posterior analysis, i.e. to decision theory and Bayesian analysis.

In sequential decision making, Vol can be computed by differentiating the Values in POMDPs.

Vol can be used for evaluating the impact of long-term monitoring.

Also, for inspection scheduling but, at system level, approximating the interaction between current and future observations, for avoiding curse of dimensionality.

To include model uncertainty into the Vol analysis is a challenging task still to be covered...

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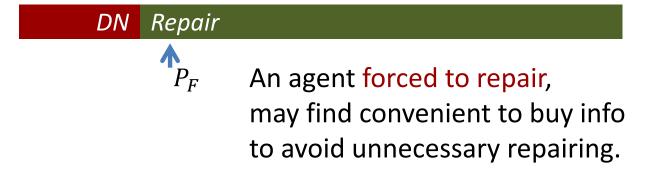
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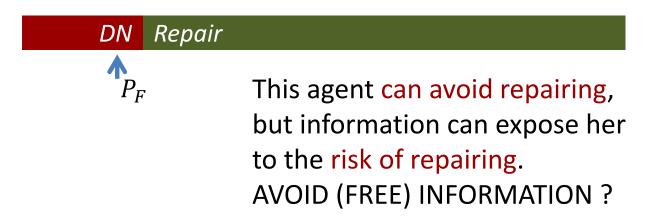
information avoidance

Vol is guarantee to be non-negative.

Suppose society (say a building code) assigns a policy, unwelcomed by the agent:



But now consider another case:



simplest maintenance problem: imperfect info

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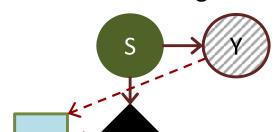
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U: Undamaged state

outcome

 $P_{FS} = P(S|F)$



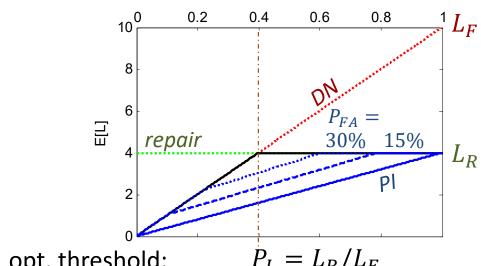
loss

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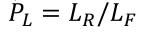
A: Alarm

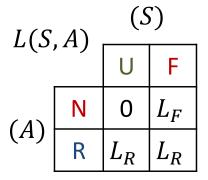
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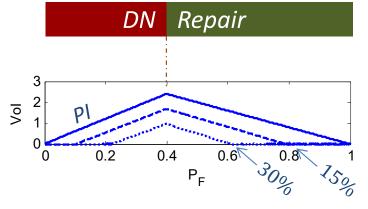


opt. threshold:









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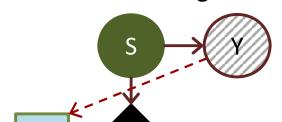
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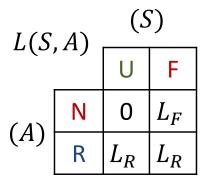
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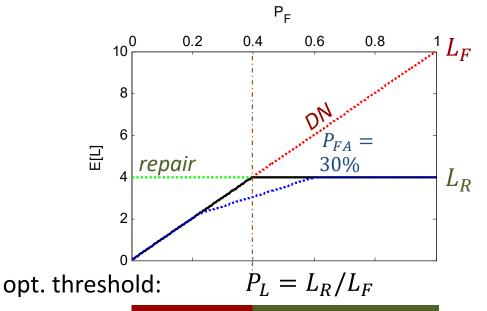
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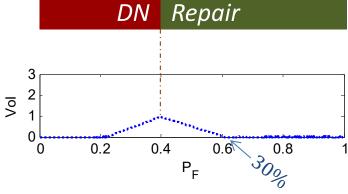
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agent's loss matrix



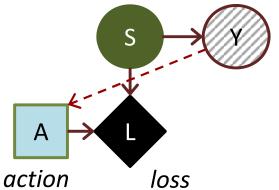


 C_F

F: Failure sensor state U: Undamaged outcome

sensor $P_{FA} = P(A|U)$

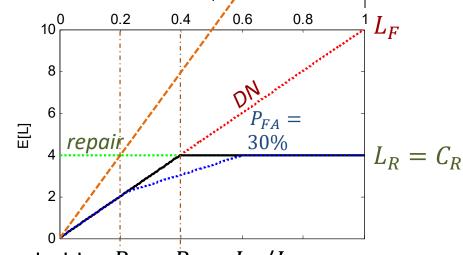
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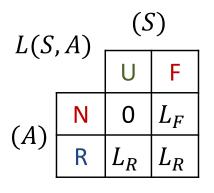
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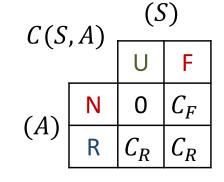
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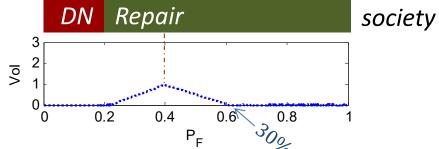
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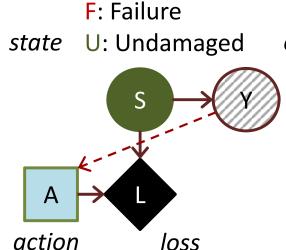


Repair

agent's loss matrix

society's cost matrix

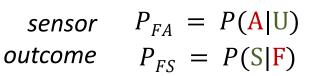
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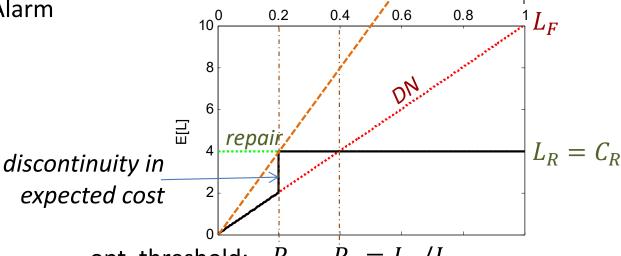
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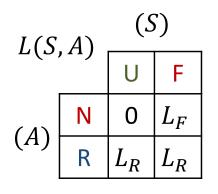


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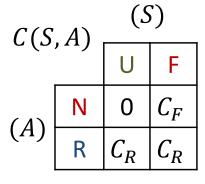
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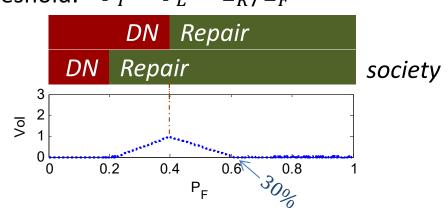
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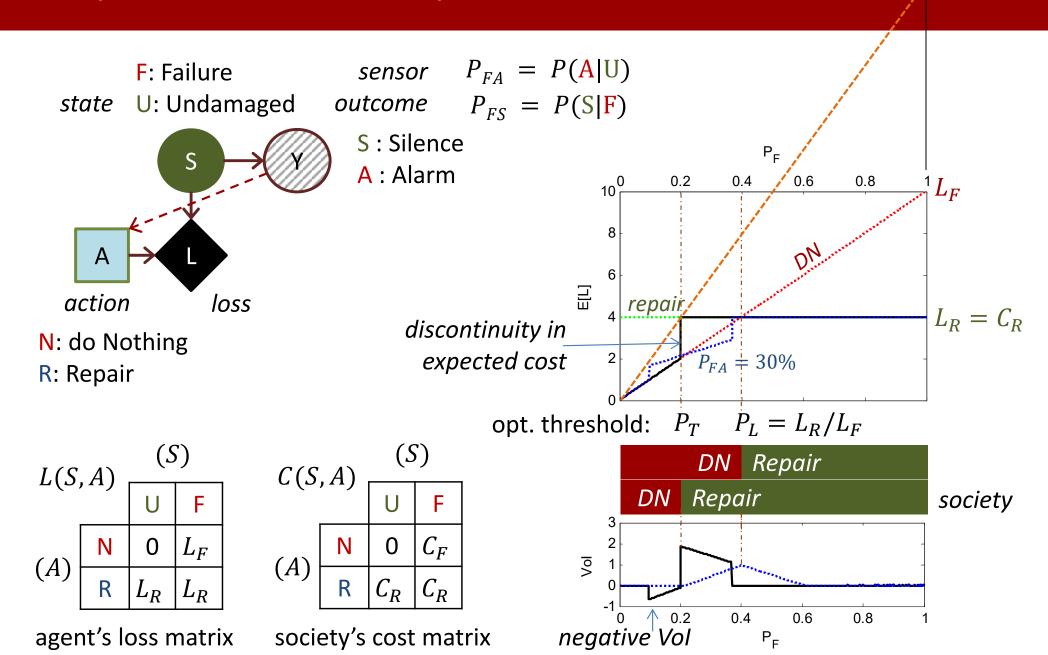
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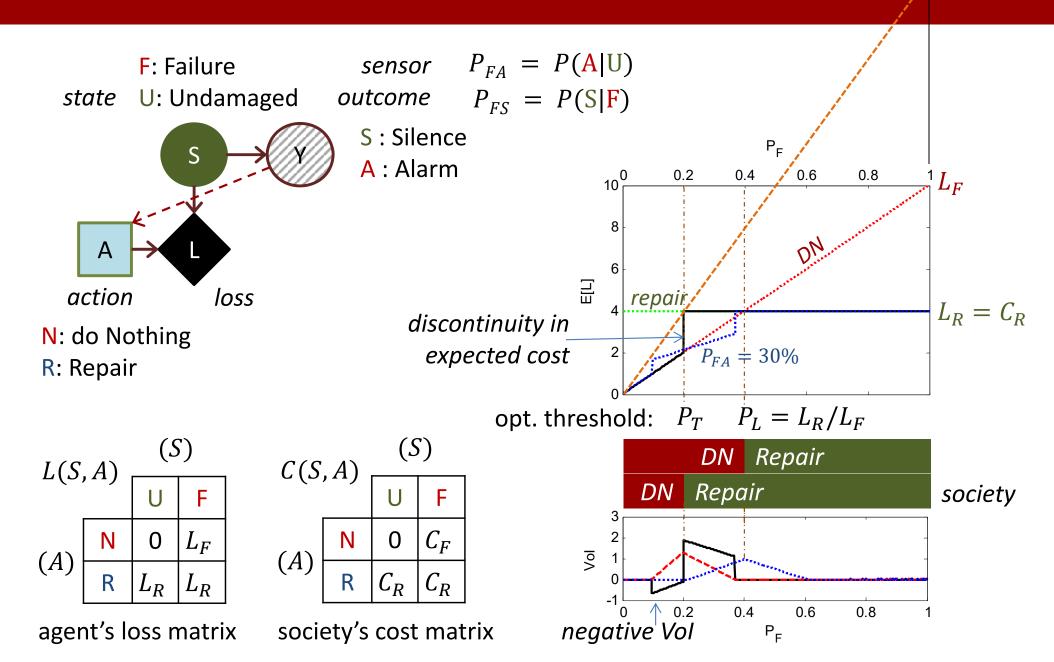
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summary on Vol under external constraint

The constraint is effective in forcing agents to take decisions consistent with society's will.

But it has unwanted second-order effects on information avoidance.

How to solve this?

Codes can require to collect data, prescribing to evaluate Vol according to a given formula: buy if its cost is below that threshold.

Society could remove the constraint, and instead introduce incentives for aligning agents' preferences with societal ones.

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thanks for your attention!

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