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Robot Learning





Active learning of constraints

Constraint: $g(\theta) \geq 0$

-  mean function $\mu(\theta)$
-  confidence interval $\mu(\theta) \pm 2\sigma(\theta)$
-  observation $(\theta_i, g(\theta_i))$

acquisition function



$$\phi(\theta) \equiv 2\sigma(\theta) - |n(\theta)|$$

$\phi(\theta)$ has high value if
mean close to 0 or high variance

next: test action with parameter

θ^* \equiv argmax $\phi(\theta)$

#oldservativisms = 5

[Straddle algorithm, Bryan et al, NIPS 2016]

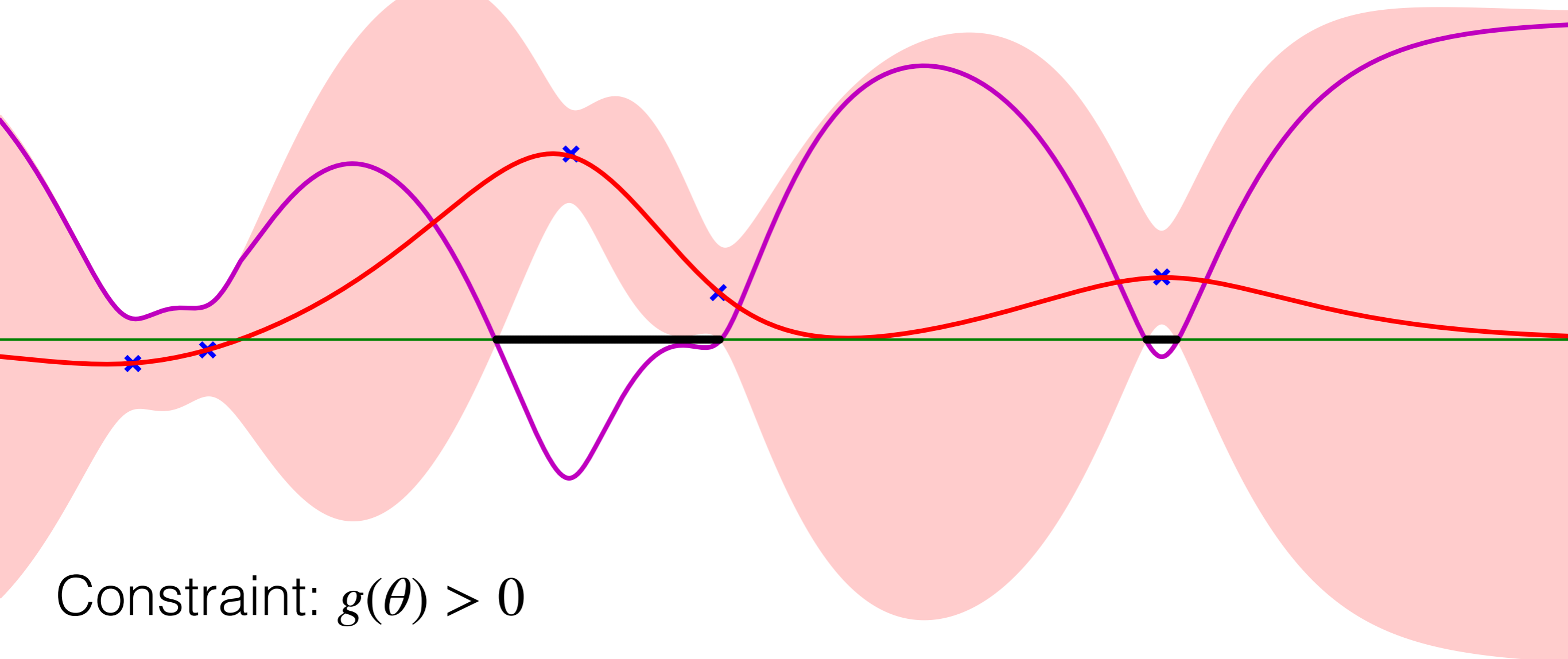
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#observations = 5

- acquisition function
 $\phi(\theta) = 2\sigma(\theta) - |\mu(\theta)|$

next: test action with parameter
 $\theta^* = \operatorname{argmax} \phi(\theta)$



Constraint: $g(\theta) > 0$

Active learning of constraints

- mean function $\mu(\theta)$
- confidence interval $\mu(\theta) \pm 2\sigma(\theta)$
- × observation $(\theta_i, g(\theta_i))$

#observations = 6

- acquisition function
 $\phi(\theta) = 2\sigma(\theta) - |\mu(\theta)|$

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