#### A Guided Tour Through Adversarial Risk Analysis

#### Concepts, Applications and Challenges

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- Motivation
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### **Risk management**

Intervention to be chosen:



Interventions tend to reduce the likelihood of hazard appearance and its gravity... but they also entail a cost

#### Gain through managed risk

Choose the intervention which provides the biggest gain, if it is sufficiently big...

# Which is the best security resource allocation in a city?

City as a map with cells Each cell has a value For each cell, a predictive model of delictive acts Allocate security resources (constraints) For each cell predict the impact of resource allocation Optimal resource allocation

NB: The bad guys also operate intelligent and organisedly!!!

SECONOMICS (Metro Barcelona, UK Grid, Anadolu Airport)

# Which is the best HW/SW maintenance for the university ERP?

Model HW/SW system (interacting HW and SW blocks) Forecast block reliability Forecast system reliability Design maintenance policies Forecast impact on reliability (and costs) Optimal maintenance policy

NB: Again, what happens with the bad guys attacking our system?

RIESGOS (MICINN), RIESGOS-CM (CM)

### Adversarial risk analysis



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### Motivation

- Tradiitonal RA extended to include adversaries ready to increase our risks
- S-11, M-11 lead to large security investments globally, some of them criticised
- Many modelling efforts to efficiently allocate such resources
- Parnell et al (2008) NAS review
  - Standard reliability/risk approaches not take into acocunt intentionality
  - Game theoretic approaches. Common knowledge assumption...
  - Decision analytic approaches. Forecasting the adversary action...
- Merrick, Parnell (2011) review approaches commenting favourably on Adversarial Risk Analysis

### Adversarial Risk Analysis

- A framework to manage risks from actions of intelligent adversaries (DRI, Rios, Banks, JASA 2009)
- One-sided prescriptive support Use a SEU model

  - Treat the adversary's decision as uncertainties
- lacksquare
  - Method to predict adversary's actions We assume the adversary is a *expected utility maximizer* 

    - Model his decision problem
      Assess his probabilities and utilities
      Find his action of maximum expected utility
    - But other *descriptive* models are possible
- Uncertainty in the Attacker's decision stems from
  - our uncertainty about his probabilities and utilities
  - but this leads to a hierarchy of nested decision problems

(random, noninformative, k-level, heuristic, mirroring argument) vs (common knowledge)

### **Adversarial Risk Analysis**

- ARA applications to counterterrorism models (Rios, DRI, 2009, 2012 Risk Analysis)
  - Sequential Defend-Attack
  - Simultaneous Defend-Attack
  - Sequential Defend-Attack-Defend
  - Sequential Defend-Attack with private information
- Somali pirates case (Sevillano, Rios, DRI, 2012 Decision Analysis)
- Routing games (anti IED war) (Wang, Banks, 2011)
- Borel games (Banks, Petralia, Wang, 2011)
- Auctions (DRI, Rios, Banks, 2009; Rothkopf, 2007)
- Kadane, Larkey (1982), Raiffa (1982), Lippman, McCardle (2012)
- Stahl and Wilson (1994,1995) D. Wolpert (2012)
- Rotschild, MacLay, Guikema (2012)

#### Adversarial risk analysis

$u_1 p_1$	$u_2 p_2$	G.T. (Full and common knowledge)	<i>u</i> <sub>1</sub> <i>j</i>	$p_1$	$u_2 p_2$
$\hat{u}_2 \ \hat{p}_2$			$\hat{u}_2$	$\hat{p}_2$	$\hat{u}_1  \hat{p}_1$
Asymmetric prescriptive/descriptive			$\hat{\hat{u}}_1$	$\hat{\hat{p}}_1$	
approach	·		•		Where to stop?

#### Asymmetric prescriptive/descriptive approach

- Bayesian approach (Raiffa, Kadane, Larkey...)
  - Prescriptive advice to one party conditional on a (probabilistic) description of how others will behave
  - Treat the other participant's decisions as uncertain



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#### Sequential games: First Defender, afterwards Attacker



$$d^* = \arg\max_{d \in X_D} u_A(d, a^*(d))$$

Nash Solution:  $(d^*, a^*(d^*))$ 

Standard Game Theory Analysis

#### The sequential game: Supporting the Defender



#### Supporting the Defender



#### Supporting the Defender: The assessment problem



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#### Simultaneous games

Decisions are made without knowing each other's decisions



### Game Theory Analysis

- Common knowledge
  - Each knows expected utility of every pair (d, a) for both of them
  - Nash equilibrium: (d\*, a\*) satisfying

 $\psi_D(d^*, a^*) \ge \psi_D(d, a^*) \ \forall d \in \mathcal{D}$ 

 $\psi_A(d^*, a^*) \ge \psi_A(d^*, a) \ \forall a \in \mathcal{A}$ 

- When some information is not common knowledge
  - Private information
    - Type of Defender and Attacker

 $\tau_D \in T_D \longrightarrow u_D(d, s, \tau_D) \quad p_D(S \mid d, a, \tau_D)$ 

 $\tau_A \in T_A \longrightarrow u_A(d, s, \tau_D) \quad p_A(S \mid d, a, \tau_D)$ 

- Common prior over private information  $\pi(\tau_D, \tau_A)$
- Model the game as one of incomplete information

#### Bayes Nash Equilibrium

- Strategy functions
  - Defender  $d: \tau_D \to d(\tau_D) \in \mathcal{D}$
  - Attacker  $a: \tau_A \to a(\tau_A) \in \mathcal{A}$
- Expected utility of (d,a)
  - for Defender, given her type  $\psi_D(d(\tau_D), a, \tau_D) =$

$$= \int \left[ \sum_{s \in S} u_D(d(\tau_D), s, \tau_D) p_D(S = s \mid d(\tau_D), a(\tau_A), \tau_D) \right] \pi(\tau_A \mid \tau_D) \, \mathrm{d}\tau_A$$

- Similarly for Attacker, given his type  $\psi_A(d, a(\tau_A), \tau_A)$
- Bayes-Nash Equlibrium (d\*, a\*) satisfying

 $\psi_D(d^*(\tau_D), a^*, \tau_D) \ge \psi_D(d(\tau_D), a^*, \tau_D) \quad \forall d : \tau_D \to d(\tau_D)$ 

 $\psi_A(d^*, a^*(\tau_A), \tau_A) \ge \psi_A(d^*, a(\tau_A), \tau_A) \quad \forall a : \tau_A \to a(\tau_A)$ 

### Supporting the Defender



How to elicit it ??

#### Assessing $\pi_D(A=a)$

• Attacker's decision analysis as seen by the Defender



### The assessment problem

- To predict Attacker's decision The Defender needs to solve Attacker's decision problem She needs to assess  $(u_A, p_A, \pi_A)$
- Her beliefs about  $(u_A, p_A, \pi_A)$  are modeled through a probability distribution  $(U_A, P_A, \Pi_A)$
- The assessment of  $\Pi_A(D = d)$  requires deeper analysis - D's analysis of A's analysis of D's problem
- It leads to an infinite regress thinking-about-what-the-other-is-thinking-about...

#### Hierarchy of nested models

Repeat

Find  $\Pi_{D^{i-1}}(A^i)$  by solving

$$\begin{array}{ll} A^{i} \mid D^{i} & \sim & \mathrm{argmax}_{a \in \mathcal{A}} \, \sum_{d \in \mathcal{D}} \left[ \sum_{s \in \{0,1\}} U^{i}_{A}(a,s) \; P^{i}_{A}(S=s \mid d,a) \, \right] \Pi_{A^{i}}(D^{i}=d) \\ & \quad \mathrm{where} \, \left(U^{i}_{A}, P^{i}_{A}\right) \sim F^{i} \end{array}$$

Find  $\Pi_{A^i}(D^i)$  by solving

$$\begin{split} D^i \mid A^{i+1} &\sim & \operatorname{argmax}_{d \in \mathcal{D}} \sum_{a \in \mathcal{A}} \left[ \sum_{s \in \{0,1\}} U^i_D(d,s) \; P^i_D(S=s \mid d,a) \; \right] \Pi_{D^i}(A^{i+1}=a) \\ & \text{ where } (U^i_D,P^i_D) \sim G^i \end{split}$$

i = i + 1

Stop when the Defender has no more information about utilities and probabilities at some level of the recurs analysis. K-level thinking

# **Opponent modeling**

- Non strategic
- Nasheq
- Level-k
- Mirroreq
- Prospectmax
- Reconcile them through a mixture

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#### Bidding in a two-person sealed-bid Auction

- Two sealed bids, the highest one wins
  - Simultaneous decision problem
- The standard Game Theory Analysis
  - D knows  $v_D$  but A does not:  $p_A(v_D)$
  - A knows  $v_A$  but D does not:  $p_D(v_A)$
  - Common knowledge assumption –

$$p_A(v_D) = p(v_D)$$
$$p_D(v_A) = p(v_A)$$



- Bayesian Nash Eq. (Harsanyi)
- Is it rational that players' beliefs about the opponent's object value will be disclosed??

Rothkopf (2007)

#### Supporting D



### The assessment problem

- Assessment of  $d \sim \widehat{\pi}_A$
- D's analysis of A's analysis of D's problem
  - It leads to a infinite analysis of previous analysis...
- Avoiding infinite regress
  - Available past statistical data (Capen et al, Keefer et al)
  - Expert knowledge
  - Non-informative distribution
  - Heuristic based elicitation (\*)
- Heuristic elicitation  $\widehat{\pi}_A(d)$ 
  - Identification of relevant variables in which A can base his assessment of D's bid  $d \sim \widehat{\pi}_A$

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# Security

 One of 'The World's (23) Biggest Problems' (Lomborg, 2008)

- Arms proliferation
- Conflicts
- Corruption
- Terrorism
- Drugs
- Money laundering

### Security

- One of FP7 priorities. Horizon 2020
- SECONOMICS (2012-2015)
  - Anadulu Airport
  - Barcelona underground
  - National Grid, UK

#### **Piracy in Somalia**

Jaipu

Laccadi Sea

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### The Defend–Attack–Defend model

- Two intelligent players
  - Defender and Attacker
- Sequential moves
  - First, Defender moves
  - Afterwards, Attacker knowing Defender's move
  - Afterwards, Defender again responding to attack

# The Somali Pirates Case: Problem formulation

- Two players
  - Defender: Ship owner
  - Attacker: Pirates
- Defender first move
  - Do nothing
  - Private protection with an armed person
  - Private protection with a team of two armed persons
  - Go through the Cape of Good Hope avoiding the Somali coast
- Attacker's move
  - Attack or not to attack the Defender's ship
- Defender response to an eventual kidnapping
  - Do nothing
  - Pay the ransom
  - Ask the Navy for support to release the boat and crew





### ARA for Urban Security. Basics

- City divided into cells (i,j)
- Each cell has a value  $v_{ij}$
- Actors
  - 1. Defender, D, Police. Aims at maintaining value

 $\sum a_{ij} \leq A$ 

- 2. Attacker, A, Mob. Aims at gaining value
- D allocates resources to prevent  $\sum_{ij} d_{ij}^{1} \leq D_{1}$
- A performs attacks
- D allocates resources to recover  $\sum_{ij} d_{ij}^2 \le D_2$ Plus other constraints

#### ARA for Urban Security. Basics

At each cell, a coupled influence diagram

Cell decision making coordinated by constraints on resources

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#### ARA for Urban Security. Mob dynamics

Inicializar parámetros

Generar la estructura del ataque  $\{d_1, a, s_1, d_2\}$  y  $P_A^i(d_2 \mid d_1, a, s_1)$ 1. Para el Atacante, desde i = 1,2,...,N repetir En el nodo S, y  $\forall d_1, a, s_1, d_2$  factibles Generar  $P_4^i(s_2 \mid s_1, d_2)$ Obtener  $\Psi'_{A}(a, s_{1}, d_{2}, v) = \sum_{i} U'_{A}(a, s_{2}, v) \prod_{i} P'_{A}(s_{j}^{2} | s_{j}^{1}, d_{j}^{2})$ En el nodo  $D_2$  y  $\forall d_1, a, S_1$  factibles Obtener  $\Psi_{A}^{i}(d_{1}, a, s_{1}, v) = \sum_{i} \Psi_{A}^{i}(a, s_{1}, d_{2}, v) P_{A}^{i}(d_{2}|, d_{1}, a, s_{1})$ En el nodo  $S_i$  y  $\forall d_1, a$  factibles Generar  $P_{A}^{i}(s_{1} \mid d_{1}, a)$ Obtener  $\Psi_{\mathcal{A}}^{i}(d_{1}, a, v) = \sum_{i} \Psi_{\mathcal{A}}^{i}(d_{1}, a, s_{1}, v) \prod_{i} P_{\mathcal{A}}^{i}(s_{j}^{1} \mid d_{j}^{1}, a_{j})$ En el nodo A y  $\forall d_1$  factible Obtener  $(d_1, v) \rightarrow A_i^*(d_1, v) = \operatorname*{arg\,max}_{a \in A} \Psi_A^i(d_1, a, v)$ 2. Aproximar  $P_D(a \mid d_1)$  mediante  $\hat{P}_{D}(a \mid d_{1,}) = \frac{\# \left\{ A_{i}^{*}(d_{1}, v) = a \right\}}{v}$ 3. Para el Defensor, hacer En el nodo  $S_{1}, \forall d_{1}, a, s_{1}, d_{2}$ Obtener  $\Psi_D(d_1, s_1, d_2, v) = \sum_{s_1} u_D(s_2, v) \prod_j p_D(s_j^2 | s_j^1, d_j^2)$ En el nodo  $D_2$ ,  $\forall d_1, a, s_1$ Obtener  $\Psi_D(d_1, s_1, v) = \underset{d_2}{\operatorname{arg\,max}} \Psi_D(d_1, s_1, d_2, v)$  y guardar  $d_2^*(d_1, a, s_1)$ En el nodo  $S_{i}, \forall d_{i}, a$ Obtener  $\Psi_D(d_1, a, v) = \sum_{s_1} \Psi_D(s_1, d_2, v) \prod_j p_D(s_j^1 | d_j^1, a_j)$ En el nodo A, obtener  $\forall d$ , Obtener  $\Psi_A(d_1, v) = \sum_{a} \Psi_D(d_1, a, v) p_D(a \mid d_1)$ En el nodo  $D_1$ Obtener  $\psi_D(v) = \arg \max \psi_D(d_1, v)$  y guardar  $d_1^*$ 

# Security

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### Problem

- · An agent makes decisions in a finite set
- · Has sensors providing information around it
- It relates with a user which makes decisions
- They're both within an environment which evolves (under the control of the user)

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### **Basic framework**

$$\max_{a_t \in \mathcal{A}} \psi(a_t) = \sum_{b_t, e_t} u(a_t, b_t, e_t) \times p(b_t, e_t \mid a_t, (a_{t-1}, b_{t-1}, e_{t-1}), (a_{t-2}, b_{t-2}, e_{t-2}))$$

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### **Basic framework**

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### Challenges

- DA vs GT
  - A Bayesian prescriptive approach to support Defender against Attacker
  - Weaken common (prior) knowledge assumption
  - Analysis and assessment of Attacker' thinking to anticipate their actions assuming Attacker is a expected utility maximizer
  - Computation of her defense of maximum expected utility
  - What if the other not EU maximiser? Prospect theory, concept uncertainty
- Several simple but illustrative models
  - sequential D-A, simultaneous D-A, D-A-D, sequential DA with private information decision problems
  - What if
    - more complex dynamic interactions? (coupled IDs with shared nodes9
    - against more than one Attacker?
    - an uncertain number of Attackers?
    - several defenders? (risk sharing negotiations)

### Challenges

- Implementation issues
  - Elicitation of a valuable judgmental input from Defender
  - Computational issues (optimization + simulation)
    - Augmented simulation
  - Parallel
  - Portfolio theory
  - Templates
  - K.level. The value of information
  - Computational environment
- Other applications
  - Revisiting Auctions
  - Revisiting Games
  - Cybersecurity
  - Adversarial signal processing
  - Network security

# Discussion

- Multiple Defenders to be coordinated (risk sharing).
- Private security
- Multiple Attackers, possibly coordinated
- Various types of resources
- Various types of delinquency
- Multivalued cells. The perception of security (concern analysis)
- Multiperiod planning
- Time and space effects (Displacement of delicts)
- Insurance
- Networks with value only at nodes
- Networks with value at nodes and arcs

# Discussion

- Educational environments
- Emotions and cooperativeness
- Multiperiod planning
- Mobility

### Thanks!!!

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