

ESCADA: Efficient Safety and Context Aware Dose Recommendation for Precision Medicine

Machine Learning for Healthcare and Diabetes Workshop

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 - why keep playing an arm that is almost certainly suboptimal?

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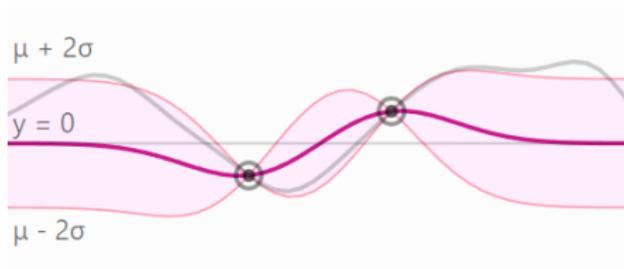


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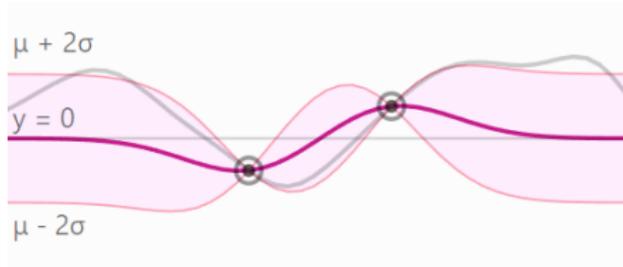


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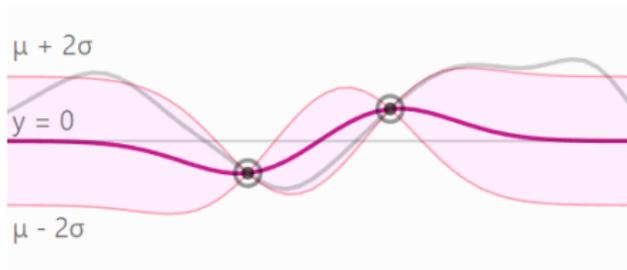


Figure 3: use a GP to learn a mapping from bolus-insulin doses to postprandial BGL

Mathematical Summary

Goal

learn recommending doses which trigger the closest postprandial BGLs to the target BGL

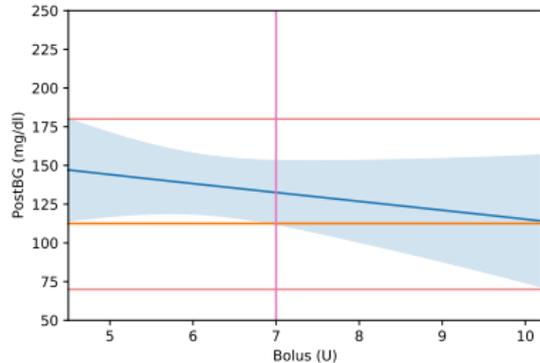
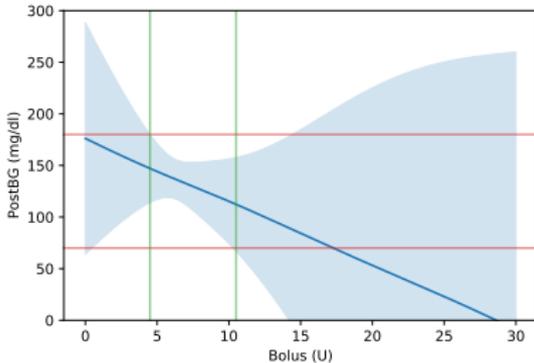
$$\text{minimize } R_N = \sum_{n=1}^N |f(z_n, d_n) - T|$$

Constraint

Safe Exploration: never recommend doses which lead to **hypo-/hyper-glycemia** events

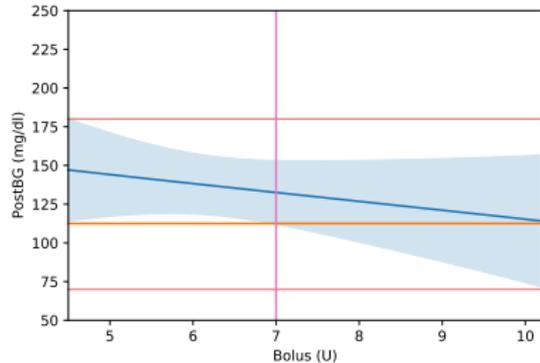
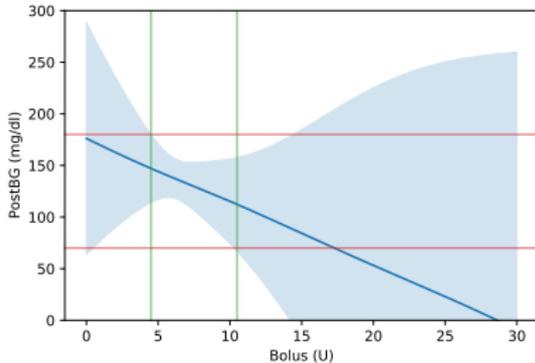
$$\text{subject to } T_{\min} \leq f(z_n, d_n) \leq T_{\max}$$

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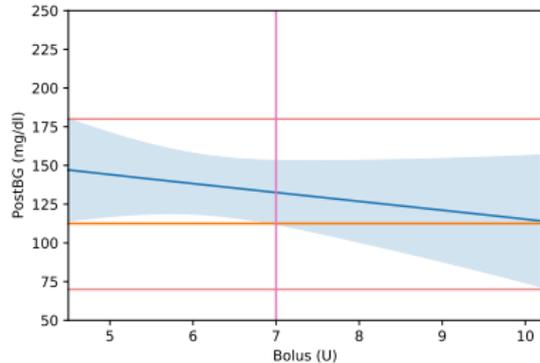
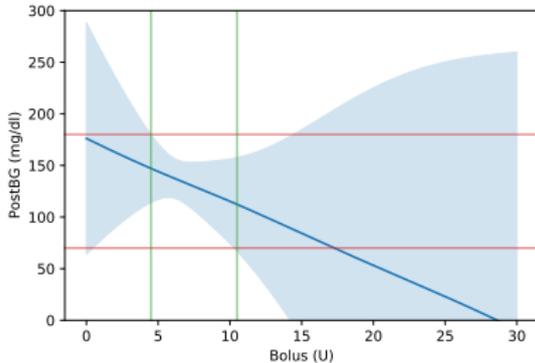
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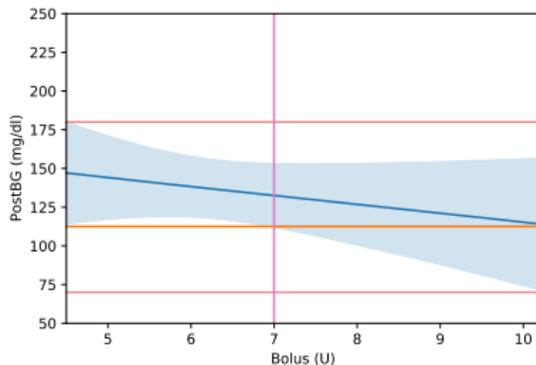
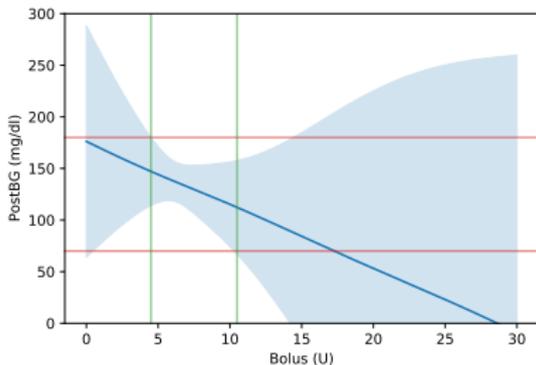
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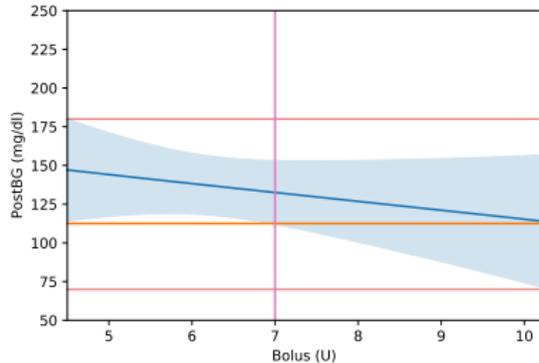
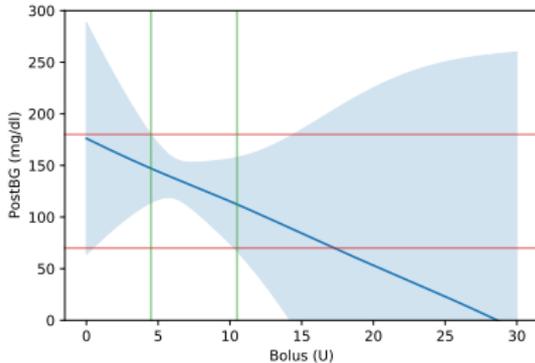
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- if there is no such dose, recommend the most uncertain dose (**exploration**)

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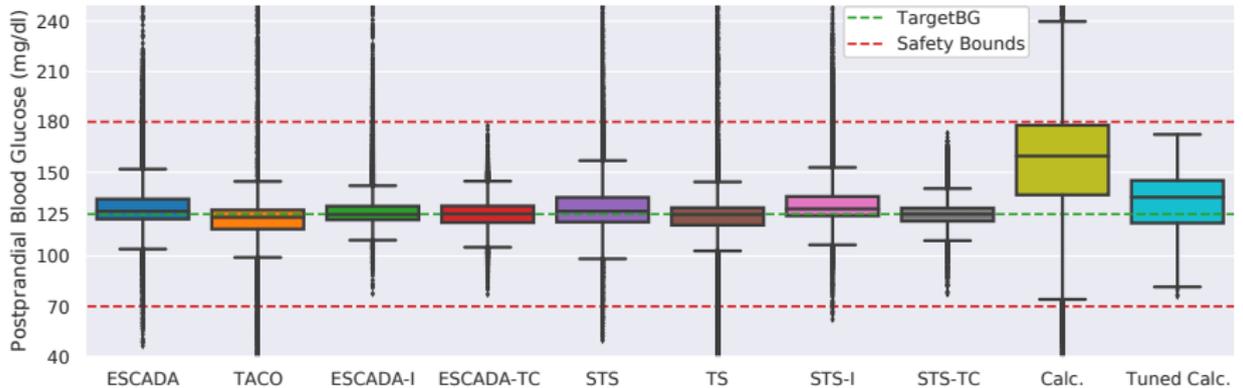
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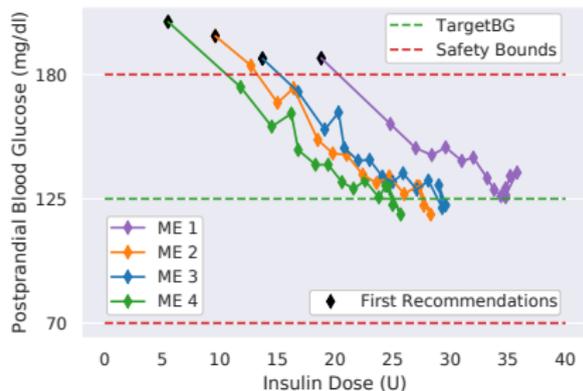
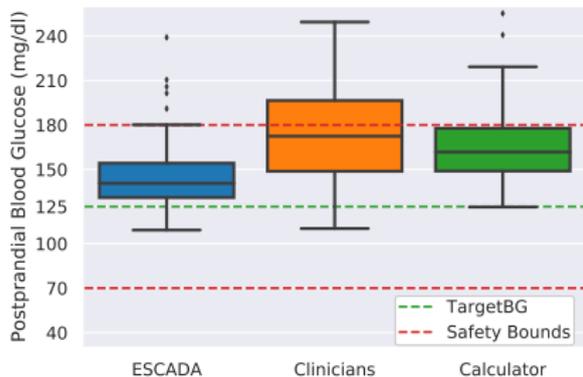
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- BGL response to bolus-insulin dose is modeled via complex **differential equations**
- **U.S. FDA** verified for closed loop hormone controller design

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Clinician Screens

hasta 1

	carb	bolus	min	tmbg	fastbg	postbg
25	30.0	6	480	150	136.0	136.0
27	30.0	6	480	150	171.0	115.0

hasta 2

	carb	bolus	min	tmbg	fastbg	postbg
10	55	6	540	150	119.0	127.0
11	55	6	540	150	90.0	170.0

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Patient: hasta 9, Time: 7:20:00, Carb: 30 g, FastBG: 150 mg/dL, TMBG: 160 mins

Dose: 17.2 U, 95% CI: (0, 229) mg/dL, Safe w.p.: 0.63 (70, 180) mg/dL, Hyper w.p.: 0.13 (>180 mg/dL), Hypo w.p.: 0.24 (<70 mg/dL)

Safest Available Doses:

Dose: 10.3 U, 95% CI: (163, 181) mg/dL, Safe w.p.: 0.95 (70, 180) mg/dL, Hyper w.p.: 0.05 (>180 mg/dL), Hypo w.p.: 0.00 (<70 mg/dL)

Queried Doses:

Dose: 12.0 U, 95% CI: (119, 194) mg/dL, Safe w.p.: 0.89 (70, 180) mg/dL, Hyper w.p.: 0.11 (>180 mg/dL), Hypo w.p.: 0.00 (<70 mg/dL)

Dose: 13.0 U, 95% CI: (93, 202) mg/dL, Safe w.p.: 0.87 (70, 180) mg/dL, Hyper w.p.: 0.13 (>180 mg/dL), Hypo w.p.: 0.00 (<70 mg/dL)

Dose: 14.0 U, 95% CI: (68, 210) mg/dL, Safe w.p.: 0.84 (70, 180) mg/dL, Hyper w.p.: 0.13 (>180 mg/dL), Hypo w.p.: 0.03 (<70 mg/dL)

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