## Tiered Service Architecture for Remote Patient Monitoring

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Technology enabled healthcare

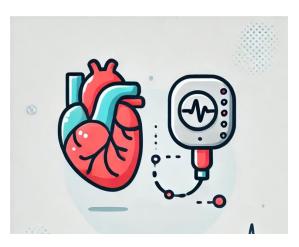
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**Continuous Glucose Monitors** 



Smartwatches



Implantable Devices

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Ordinary



Intensive







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**Critical State** 



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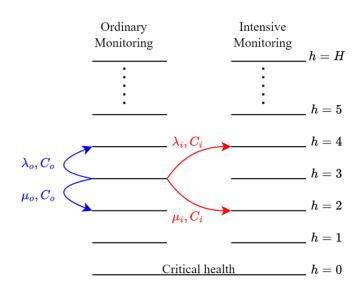
#### Tiered Service Architecture

#### The Model

- Controlled Markov Chain
- Time period:  $t \in \{0,1,2...\}$
- Health states:  $h_t \in \{0,1,2...H\}$ 
  - Critical State:  $h_T = 0$

#### The Model

- Controlled Markov Chain
- Time period:  $t \in \{0,1,2...\}$
- Health states:  $h_t \in \{0,1,2 ... H\}$
- Monitoring state:  $m_t \in M = \{o, i\}$
- Overall State:  $s_t := (m_t, h_t)$
- Action:  $a_t \in A = \{o, i\}$
- Costs:  $C_o$ ,  $C_i$ ,  $C_c$
- Transition Costs



### **Optimal Control**

- Policy  $\pi(s)$
- Value function  $V_{\pi}(s)$

$$V_{\pi}(s) = \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{t=0}^{T} \gamma^{t} c(s_{t}, a_{t}) + \gamma^{T} C_{c} \mid s_{0} = s\right]$$

#### **Optimal Control**

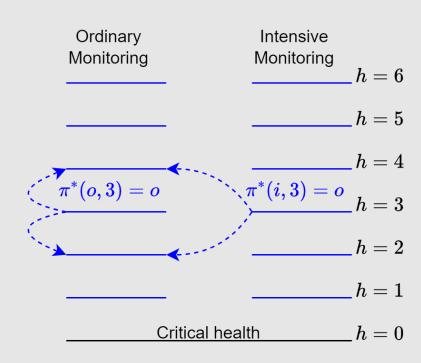
• Want optimal policy  $\pi^*$  that minimizes  $V_{\pi}$ 

$$V_{\pi}^{*}(s) = \min_{a \in \{o,i\}} \left\{ c(s,a) + \gamma \sum_{s' \in S} P(s'|s,a) V_{\pi}^{*}(s') \right\}$$

#### Assumptions

- The transition probabilities satisfy:  $\lambda_i \geq \lambda_o$
- The costs satisfy:  $0 \le C_o \le C_i << C_c$

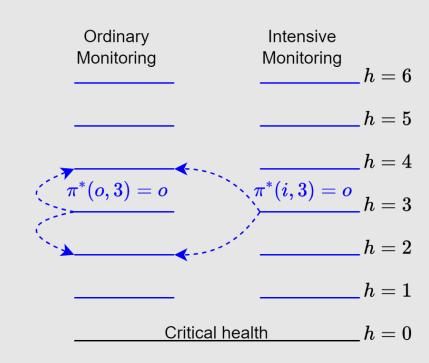
Ordinary monitoring



$$\lambda_{o} = .2, \lambda_{i} = .3, C_{c} = 20, C_{i} = 1, C_{o} = 0, \gamma = .9$$

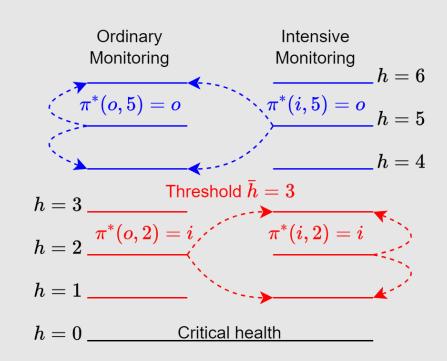
**Theorem 1.** Policy  $\pi_o$  is optimal when

$$\gamma(\lambda_i - \lambda_o)(1 - \phi^2) \le C_i/C_c$$



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 Ordinary monitoring above threshold



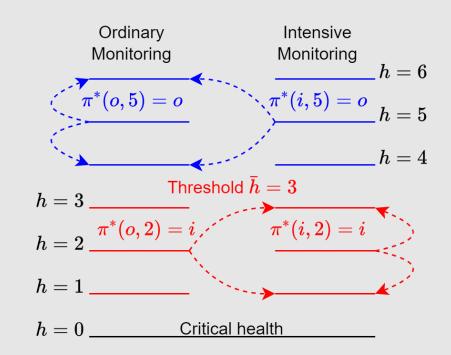
$$\lambda_{o} = .2, \lambda_{i} = .3, C_{c} = 60, C_{i} = 1, C_{o} = 0, \gamma = .9$$

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**Theorem 2.** Policy  $\pi_{t,\bar{h}}$  is optimal for some threshold  $\bar{h}$  when:

$$\gamma(\lambda_i - \lambda_o)(1 - \phi^2) > C_i/C_c$$

$$\frac{\gamma\mu_o(1 + \gamma\mu_o)}{1 - \gamma^2\lambda_o\mu_o} \le 1$$

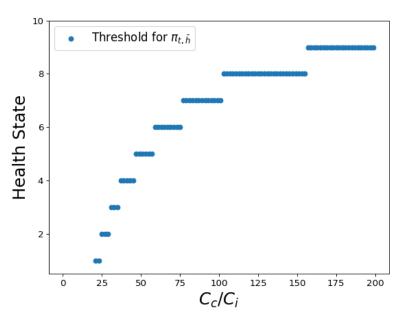


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- Optimal policy is a threshold policy
  - 1. Ordinary monitoring only
  - 2. Intensive monitoring below some health state threshold

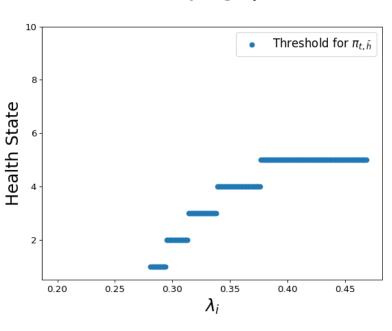
#### Varying Parameters





 $\lambda_o = .2, \lambda_i = .4, C_i = 1, C_o = 0, \gamma = .9$ 

#### Varying $\lambda_i$



$$\lambda_o = .2$$
,  $C_c = 50$ ,  $C_i = 1$ ,  $C_o = 0$ ,  $\gamma = .9$ 

#### Conclusion

- Develop tiered monitoring system
- Theoretical and numerical results for tier assignments
- Identify threshold policy
- Extensions
  - Multidimensional health states
  - State varying parameters



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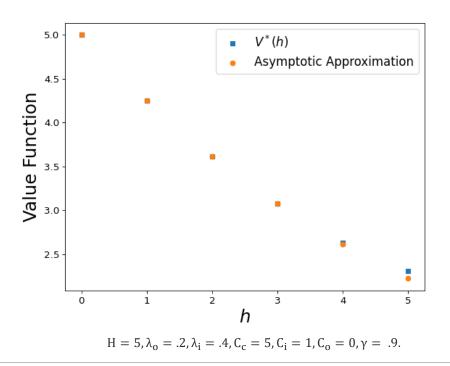
### Appendix

- Assumptions for theoretical results
  - The number of health states is very large  $(H \rightarrow \infty)$
  - Under ordinary monitoring, health drifts downwards

$$\lambda_o < .5, \ \mu_o > .5$$

### Appendix

Asymptotic results closely approximate numerical results



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### Appendix

- Intensive monitoring only
  - Extreme cases when H is very small or gamma close to 1