

Reachability Predictive Control: A Novel Control Method for Systems with Unknown Dynamics

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Preliminary Exam Presentation

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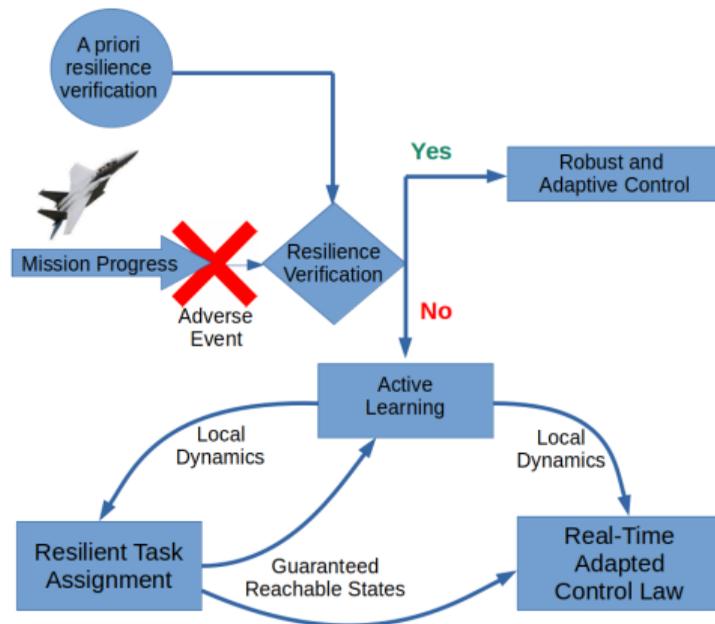
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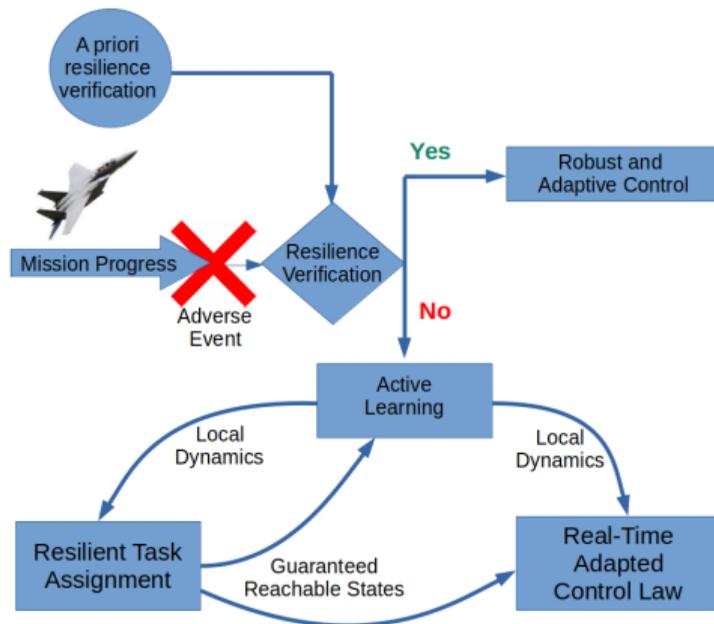
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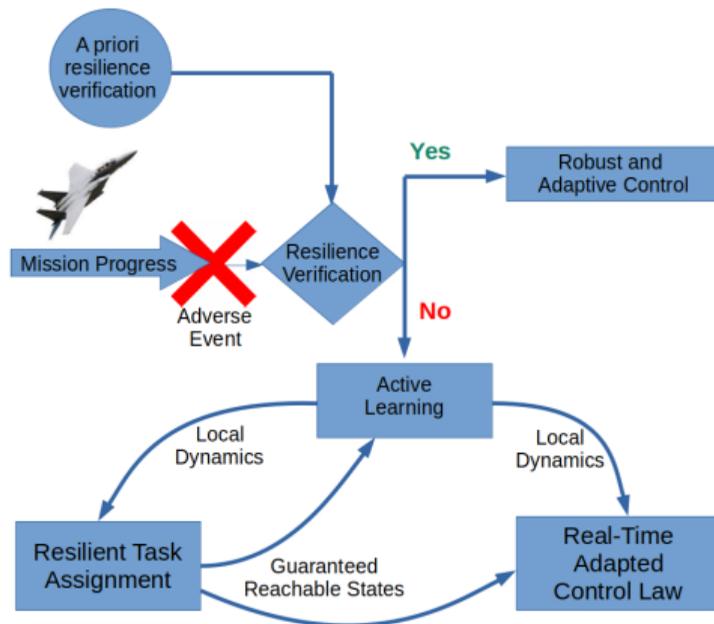
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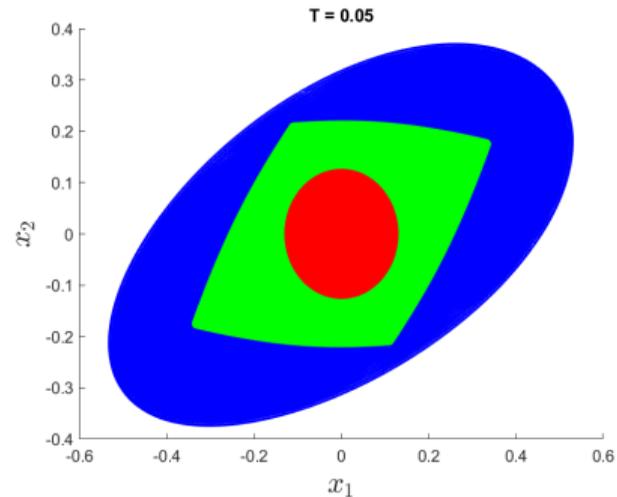
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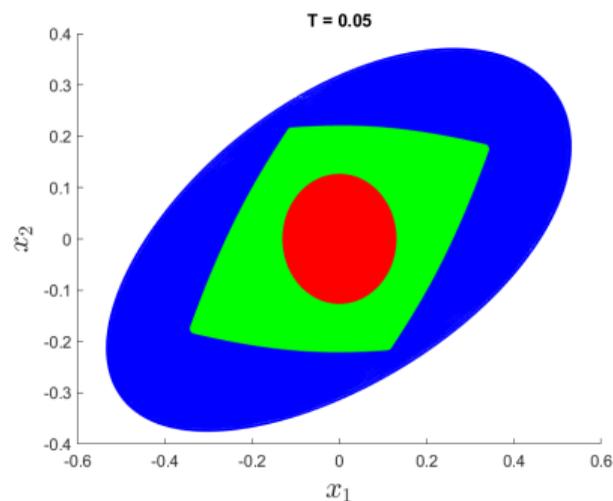


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Proposition

The reachable set of the proxy system is contained in the true reachable set of the unknown system for all time

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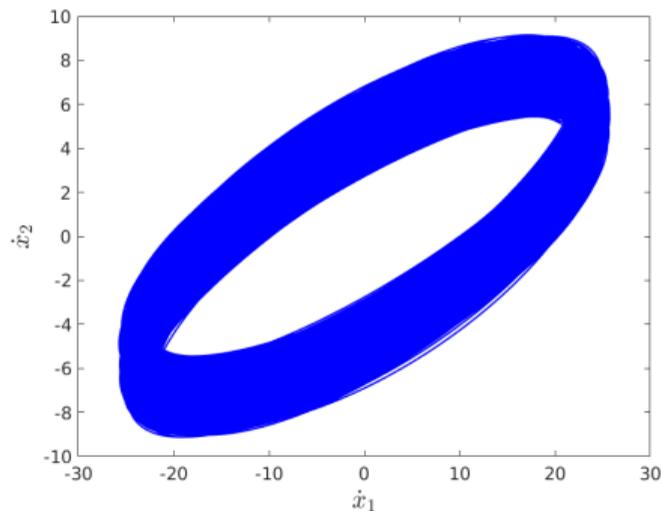
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 - The maximum growth rate of dynamics given by Lipschitz bounds L_f and L_G
 - Determined from known physical laws
 - Uncertainty quantification

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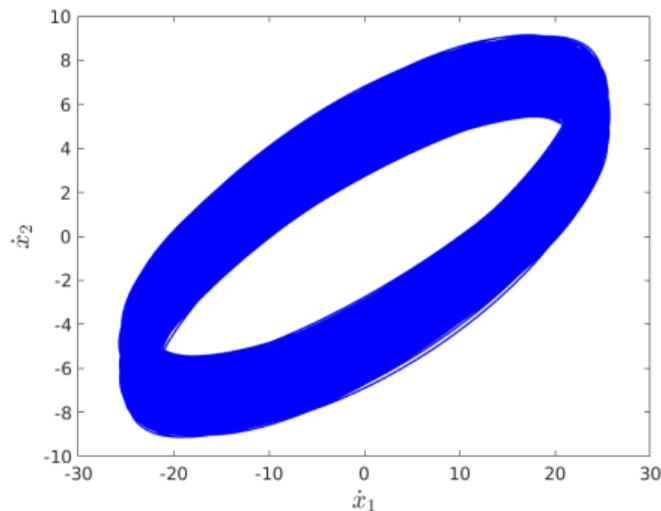
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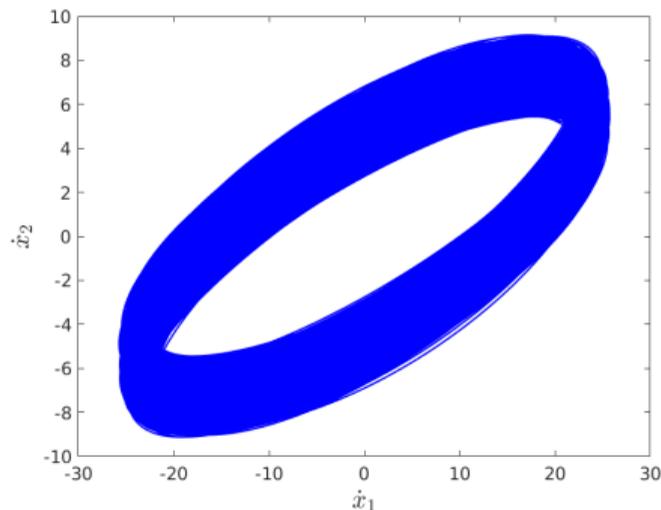
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The intersection of the set of all velocities whose dynamics are consistent with our assumptions:

$$\mathcal{V}_x^{\mathcal{G}} = \bigcap_{(f,G) \in \mathcal{D}_{con}} f(x) + G(x)\mathcal{U} \subset \mathcal{V}_x$$



Ball Underapproximation

Let \mathcal{U} , L_f , and L_G be defined as above. Let $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfy $(L_f + L_G)\|x\| < \|G^\dagger(x_0)\|^{-1}$. Define

$$\bar{\mathcal{V}}_x^{\mathcal{G}} = \mathbb{B}^n(f(x_0); \|G^\dagger(x_0)\|^{-1} - (L_f + L_G)\|x\|) \cap \text{Im}(G(x_0)).$$

Then, $\bar{\mathcal{V}}_x^{\mathcal{G}} \subseteq \mathcal{V}_x^{\mathcal{G}}$.

Derived Convex Underapproximation

Advanced Convex Underapproximation

Let \mathcal{U} , L_f , and L_G be defined as above. Let $\mu = 1$ if $\text{rank}(G(x_0)) = m = n$, $\mu = \sqrt{2}$ if $\text{rank}(G(x_0)) = \min(m, n)$ and $m \neq n$, $\mu = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$ if $\text{rank}(G(x_0)) < \min(m, n)$, and let x satisfy $(L_f + L_G)\|x\| \leq \|G^\dagger(x_0)\|^{-1}$. If

$$\bar{\mathcal{V}}_x^{\mathcal{G}} = \{f(x_0) + kd \mid \|d\| = 1, d \in \text{Im}(R), 0 \leq k \leq K(d)\}$$

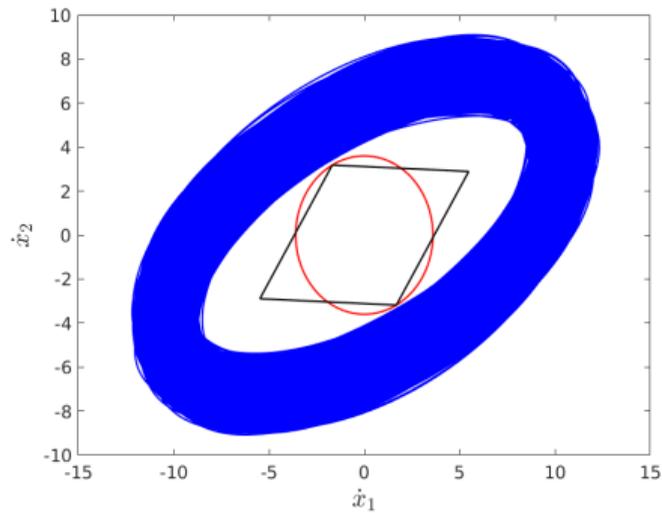
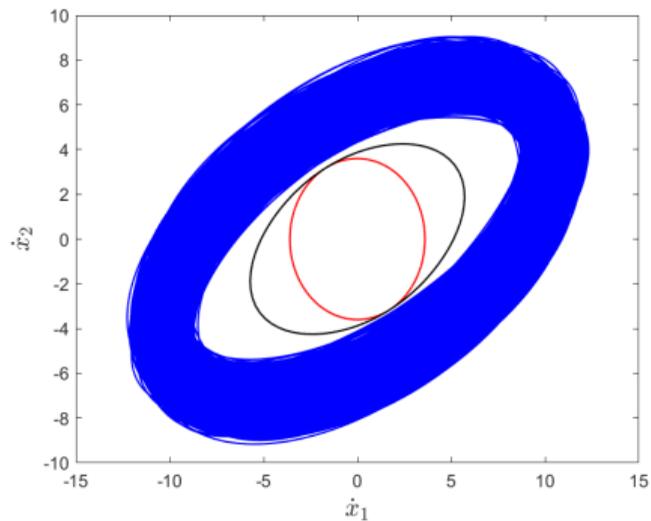
$$\text{s.t. } K(d) = \frac{\|G^\dagger(x_0)\|^{-1} - (L_f + L_G)\|x\|}{\|G^\dagger(x_0)d\|(\|G(x_0)^\dagger\|^{-1} - L_G\|x\|) + \mu\|G(x_0)^\dagger\|L_G\|x\|},$$

then $\bar{\mathcal{V}}_x^{\mathcal{G}} \subseteq \mathcal{V}_x^{\mathcal{G}}$.

Corollary

For invertible matrices $G(x_0)$, $\bar{\mathcal{V}}_x^{\mathcal{G}} \subseteq \bar{\mathcal{V}}_x^{\mathcal{G}}$.

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on $\{x \mid \|x\| \leq \|G^\dagger(x_0)\|/(L_f + L_G)\}$, with $a = f(x_0)$, $\bar{u} \in \mathbb{B}^n(0; 1) \cap \text{Im}(G(x_0))$ and where $g(s) = \|G^\dagger(s_0)\|^{-1} - (L_f + L_G)s$ if $s \leq \|G^\dagger(s_0)\|^{-1}/(L_G + L_f)$. If $\bar{\mathcal{R}}(T, x_0)$ is the reachable set of the control system above, then $\bar{\mathcal{R}}(T, x_0) \subseteq \mathcal{R}^{\mathcal{G}}(T, x_0)$.

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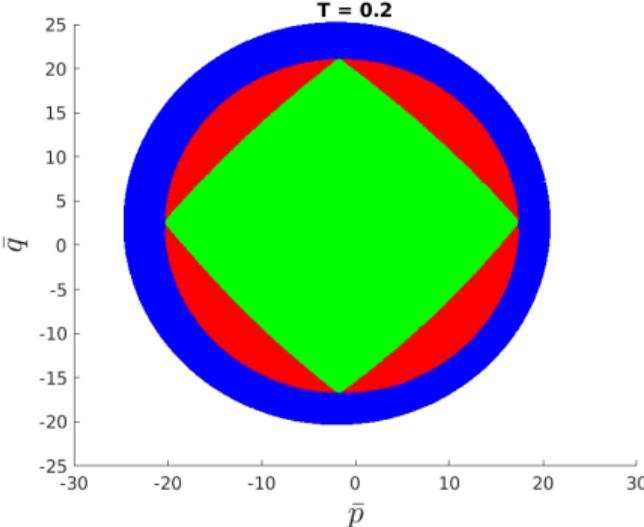
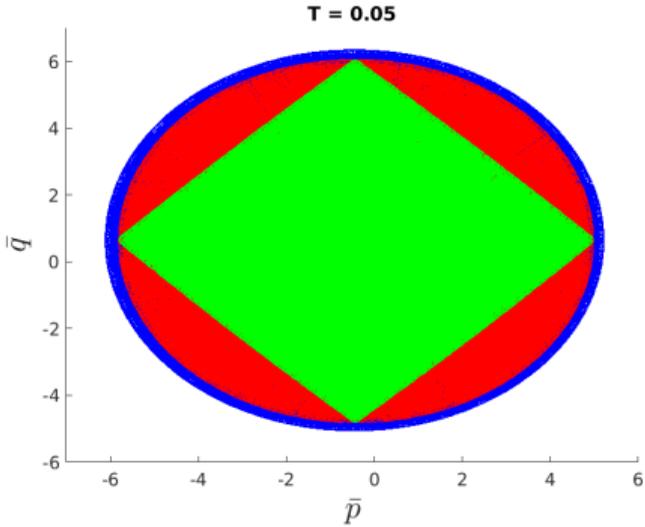
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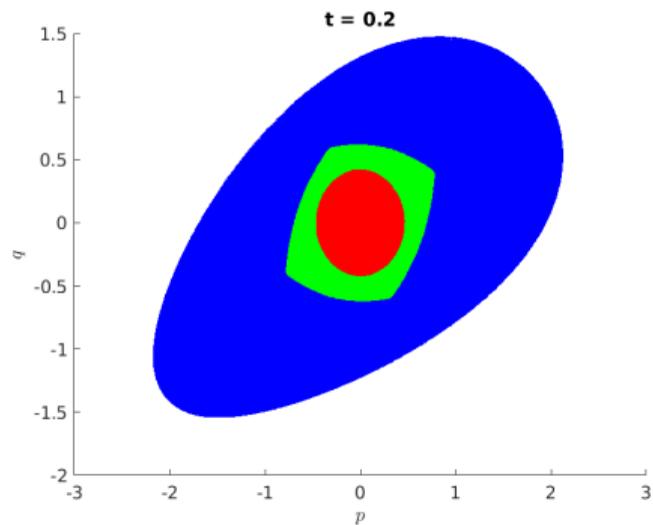
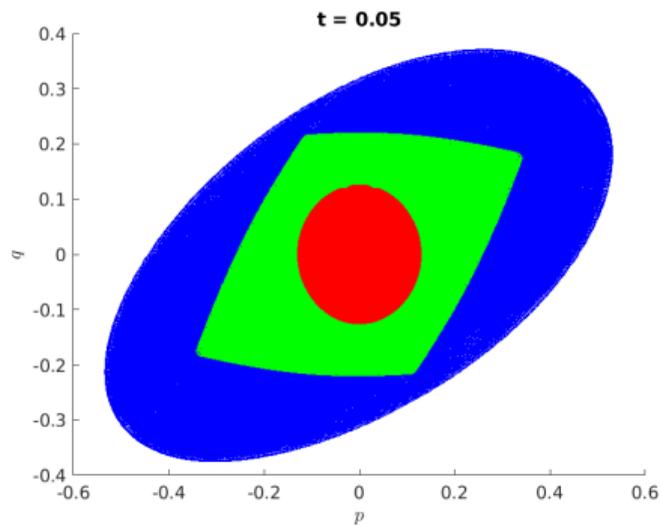
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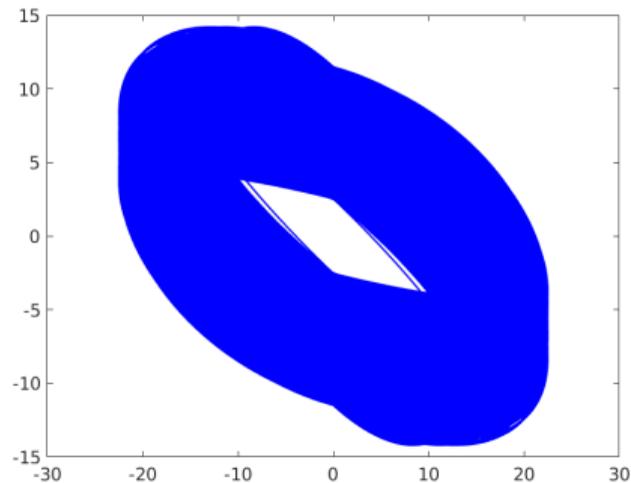
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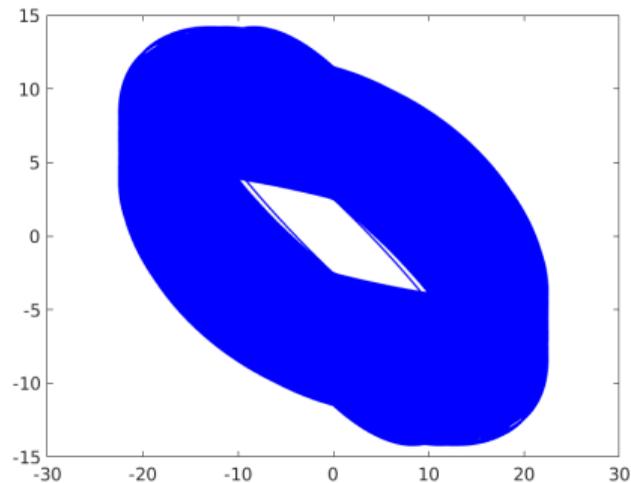
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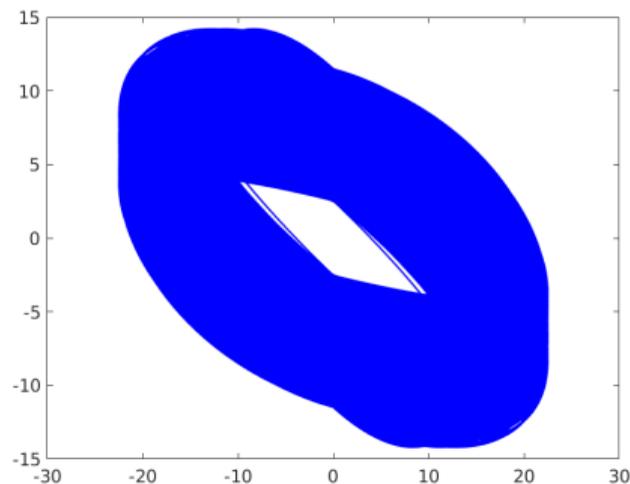
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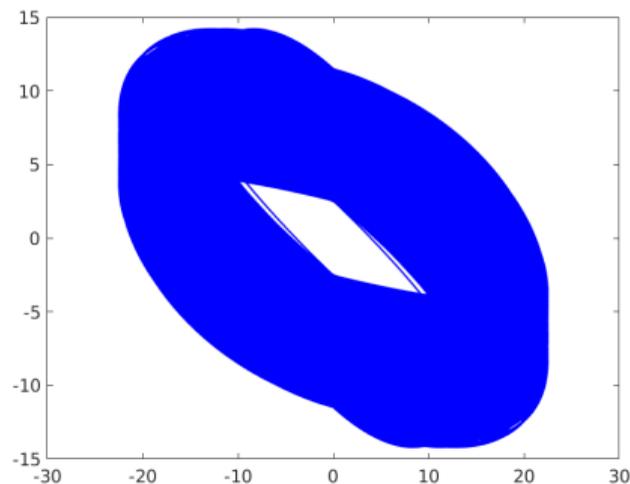


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Within a domain largely consistent with previous derivations, we can reduce the infinite constraint optimization problem to one with finitely many constraints



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- Let δ be the maximum perturbation magnitude for an element of $G(x_0)$
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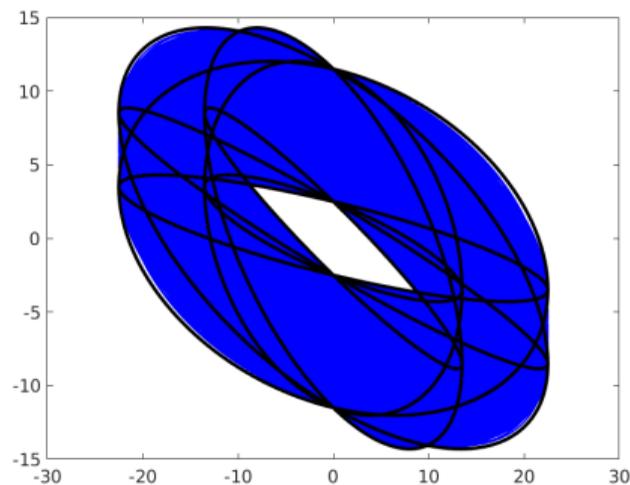
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then $\forall \alpha \in [-1, 1], \exists u^* \in \mathcal{U}$ s.t.

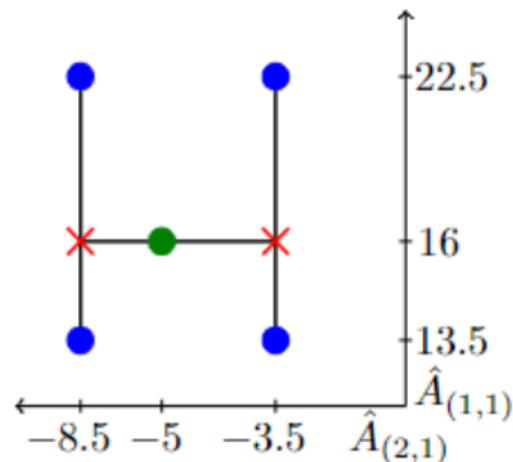
$$v = \left(G(x_0) + \begin{bmatrix} \alpha\delta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) u^*.$$

- Any vector contained in the 2^{n^2} black edges are also contained in the blue



Finite Perturbation Theorem - Example

- Let $\Delta = \begin{bmatrix} 4.5 & 0 \\ 2.5 & 4.5 \end{bmatrix}$ be the matrix of maximal element-wise perturbation magnitudes
- Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 18 & 0 \\ -6 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$
- Let $C_{\Delta}(A)$
$$= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 18 + \alpha_1 4.5 & 0 \\ -6 + \alpha_2 2.5 & 7 + \alpha_3 4.5 \end{bmatrix} \mid \alpha_i \in [-1, 1] \right\}$$
- $\hat{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 16 & 0 \\ -5 & 5.5 \end{bmatrix} \in C_{\Delta}(A)$



Maximally Inscribed Ellipsoid

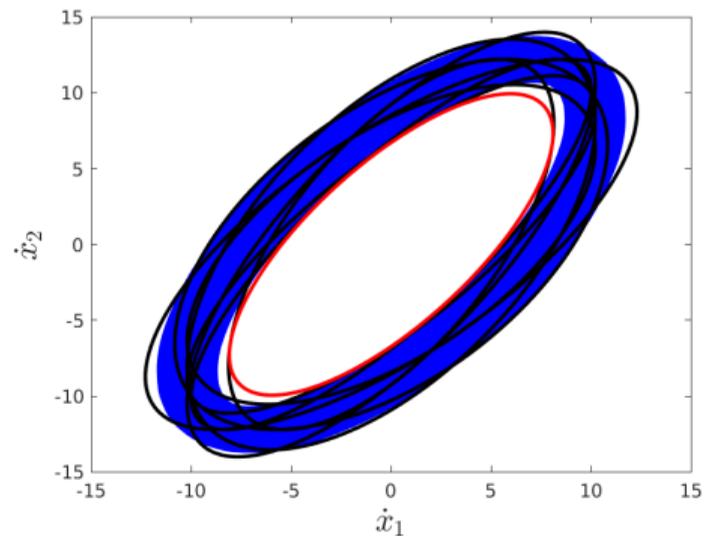
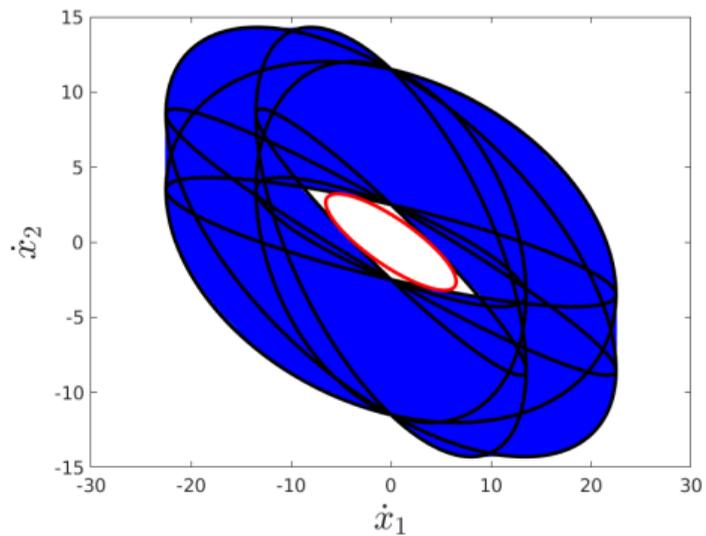
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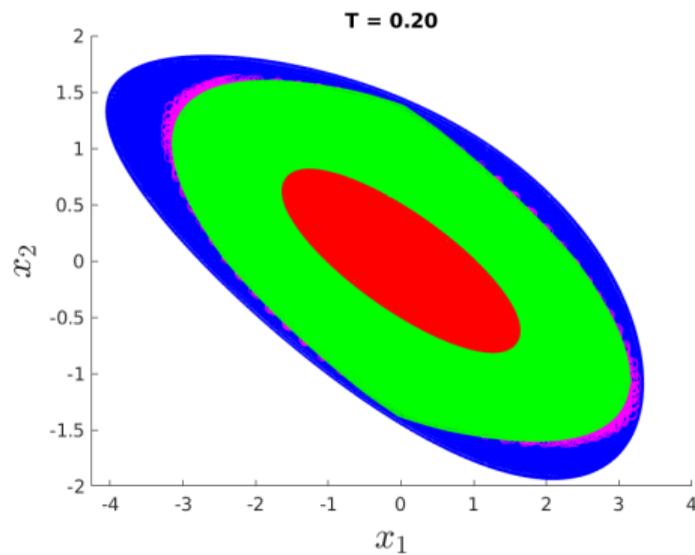
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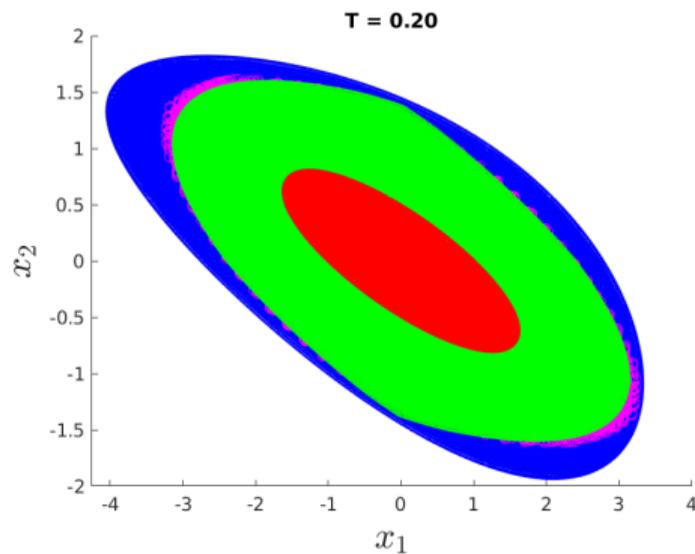
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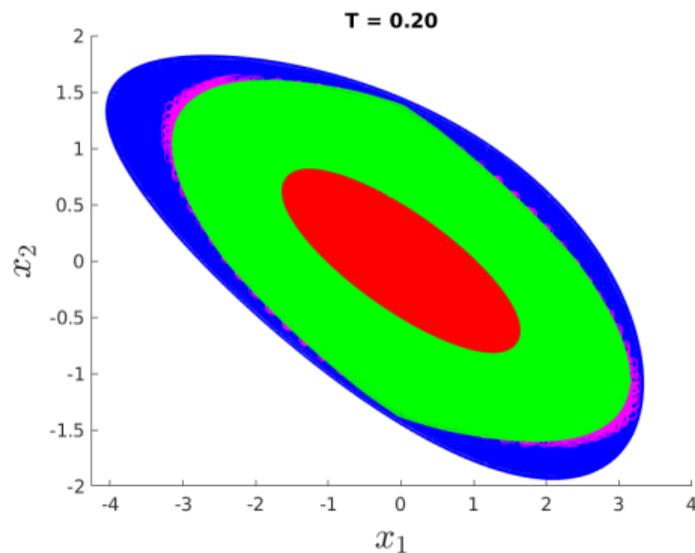
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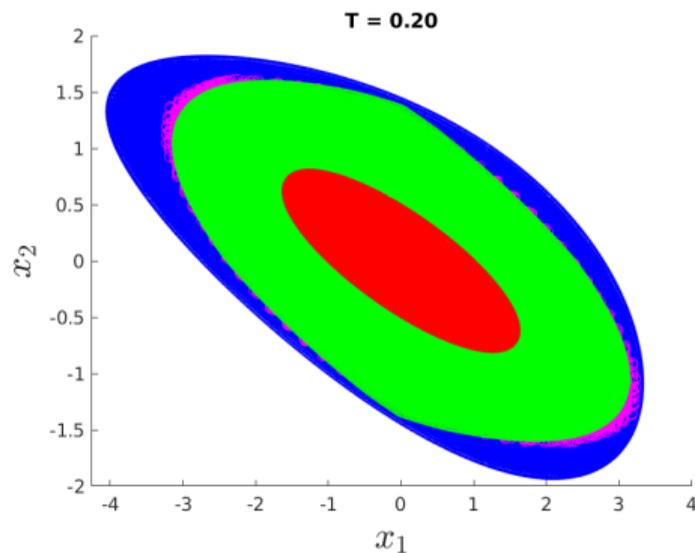
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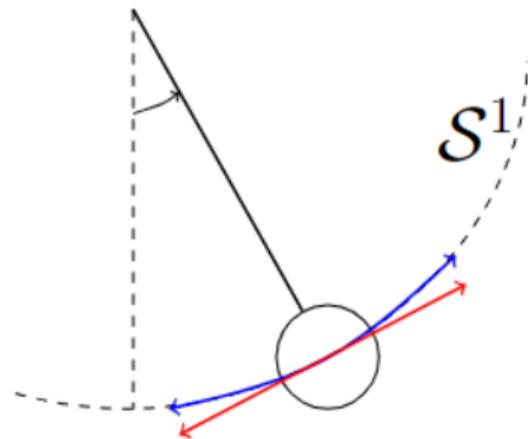
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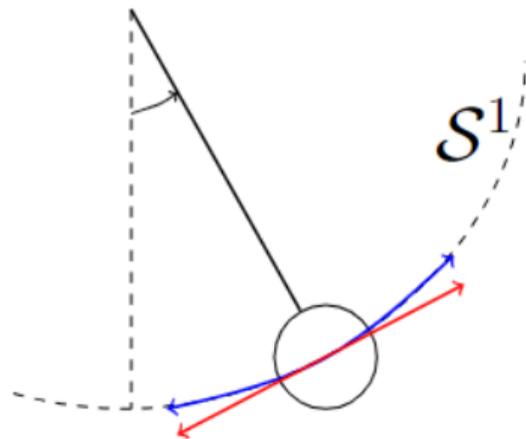
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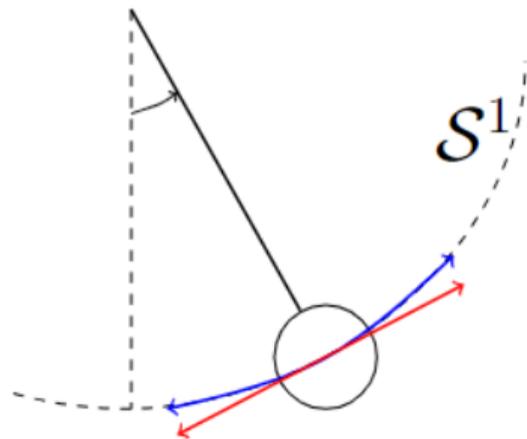
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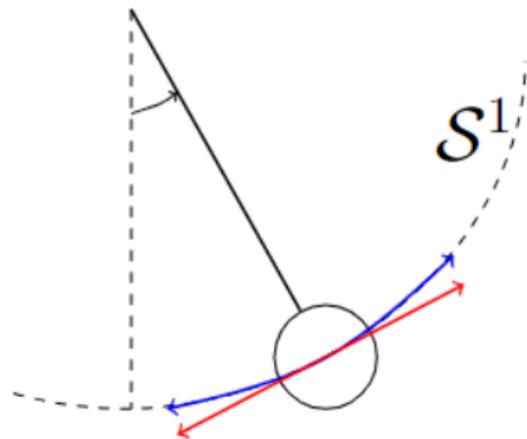
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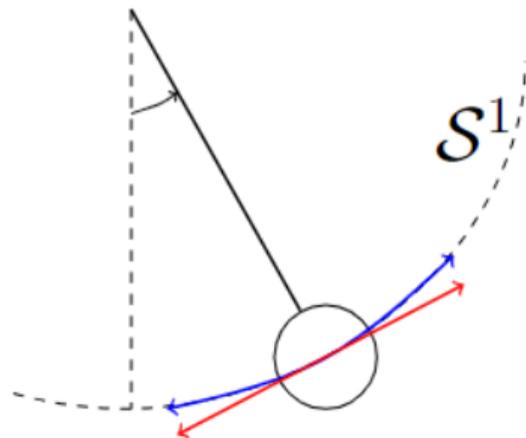
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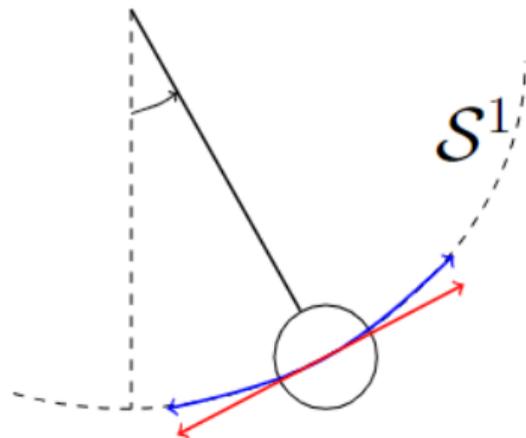
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Formal Problem Statement

- We have an unknown nonlinear control-affine system operating on a manifold M of the form:
 - $\dot{x} = f(x) + G(x)\mathcal{U} = f(x) + \sum_l g_l(x)u^l, \quad x(0) = x_0$
 - $f(x) \in M$ and $g_l(x) \in M$
- We assume knowledge of:
 - The initial state x_0
 - The input set $\mathcal{U} = \mathbb{B}^m(0; 1)$
 - Local dynamics $f(x_0)$ and $G(x_0)$
 - Learned within an arbitrarily small error from test control inputs
 - The maximum growth rate of dynamics given by *Riemannian Lipschitz* bounds L_f and L_G
 - Determined from known physical laws
 - Uncertainty quantification

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Determine or underapproximate the guaranteed reachable set

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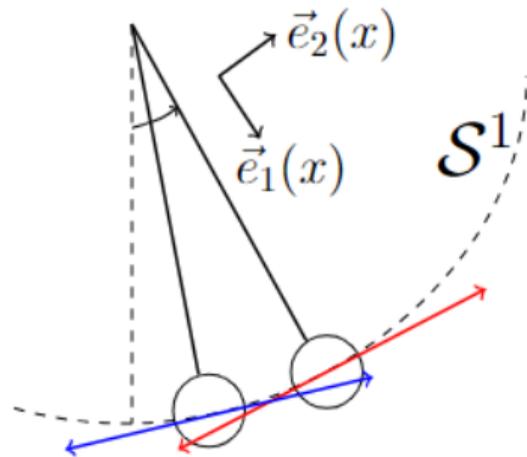
- Operations between vector spaces require connections in the geometric sense

Riemannian Lipschitz

Let V be a continuous vector field on M and τ be the parallel transport. Then L is the *classical Lipschitz constant* on V if

$$L = \sup_{\gamma} \frac{|\tau_{\gamma} V(\gamma(0)) - V(\gamma(1))|_{h_x}}{\text{Length}(\gamma)}$$

where $\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow M$ varies over all \mathcal{C}^1 -paths and τ_{γ} is shorthand for the parallel transport along the curve γ from $\gamma(0)$ to $\gamma(1)$.



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 - Knowledge of Lipschitz constant for general manifolds as reasonable as in the Euclidean case

Guaranteed Underapproximation of GVS

Riemannian Ball Underapproximation

Let $f(x_0)$, $G(x_0)$, L_f , L_G , H_x , Γ_{ij}^k , and g_l^Γ for $l \in [m]$ be defined as above. Let $\gamma : [0, 1] \rightarrow M$ define a geodesic curve from x_0 to x . Let $\tilde{\tau}$ define the parallel transport using the flat connection. If

$$\bar{\mathcal{V}}_x^{\mathcal{G}} = \mathbb{B}^n (\tilde{\tau}_{x_0}^x f(x_0); \alpha(x_0, x)) \cap \text{Im}(\tilde{\tau}_{x_0}^x G(x_0))$$

where $\bar{\mathcal{V}}_x^{\mathcal{G}} \in T_x M$, and

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(x_0, x) = & \|\tilde{\tau}_{x_0}^x G^\dagger(x_0)\|^{-1} - \\ & \left(\|H_x^{-1}\| \|H_x\| \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\|H_x\|^{\frac{1}{2}} \|[g_1^\Gamma \ \dots \ g_m^\Gamma]\| + \right. \\ & \left. \left\| \sum_{i,j,k} \dot{\gamma}^i \Gamma_{ij}^k f^j(x_0) \vec{e}_k \right\| + \left(L_g + \|H_x\|^{-\frac{1}{2}} L_f \right) d(x_0, x) \right), \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

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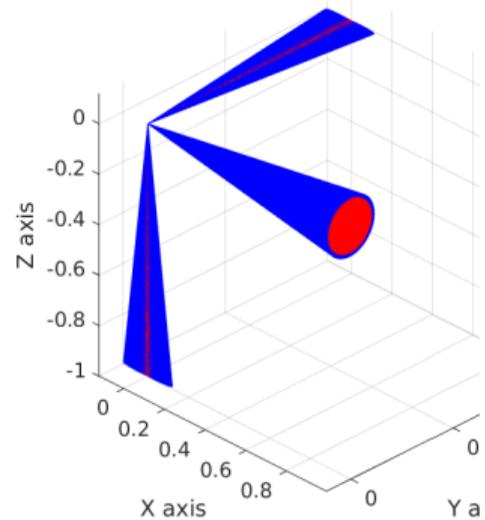
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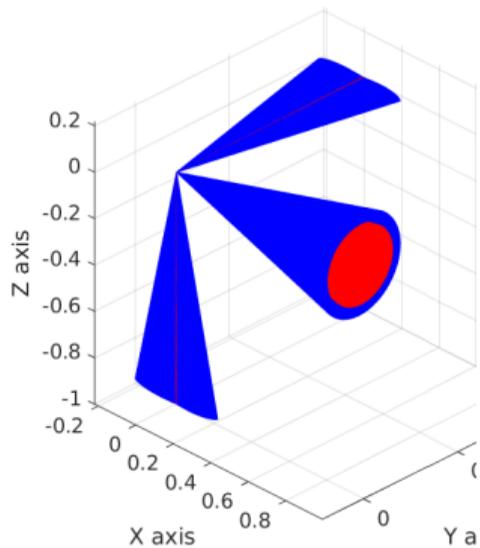
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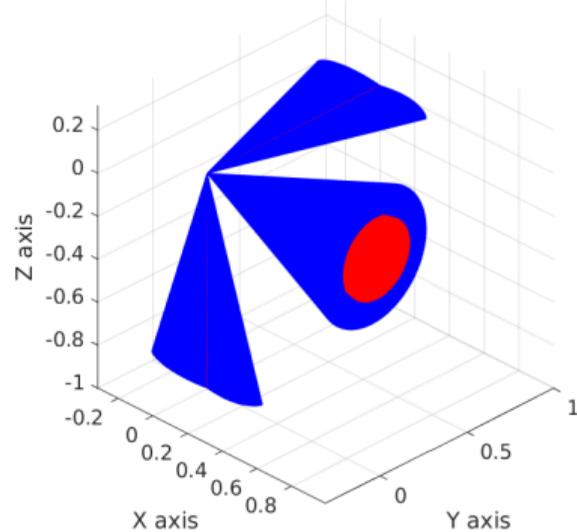
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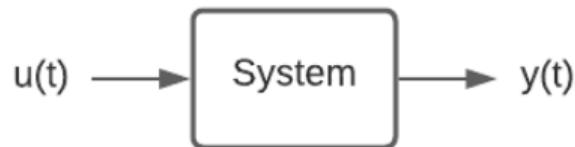
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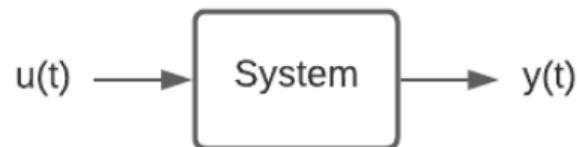
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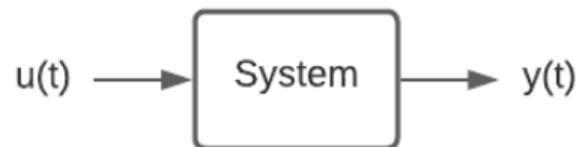
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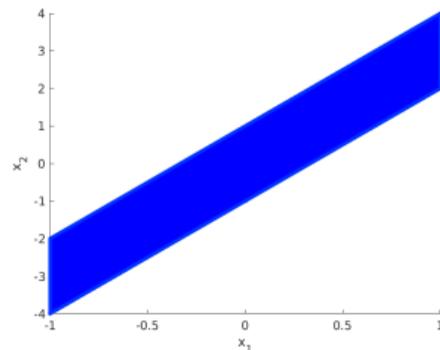
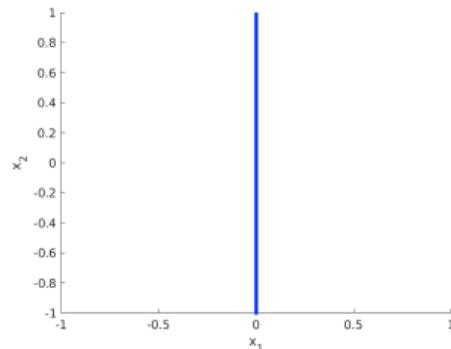
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Reachable Sets

- We have the system dynamics
 - $x[i + 1] = Ax[i] + bu[i], \quad x[0] = 0$
- For $i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$, the (forward) reachable set for the system at time i is
 - $\mathcal{R}(i, x[0]) = \{\phi_u(i; x[0]) \mid u : \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \rightarrow \mathcal{U}\}$
- Defines the set of states which are reachable at time i for the system using all $u \in \mathcal{U}$
- Calculated through Minkowski sums

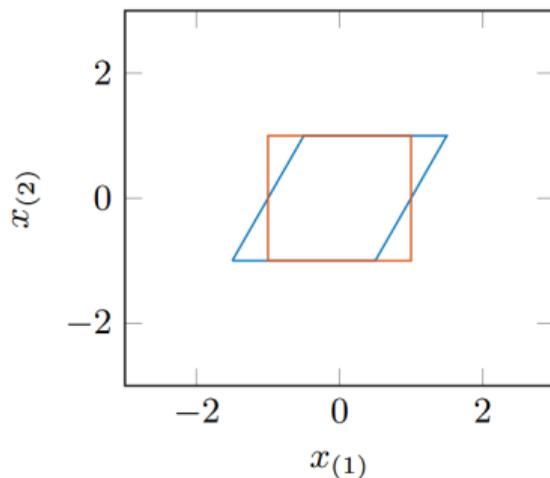


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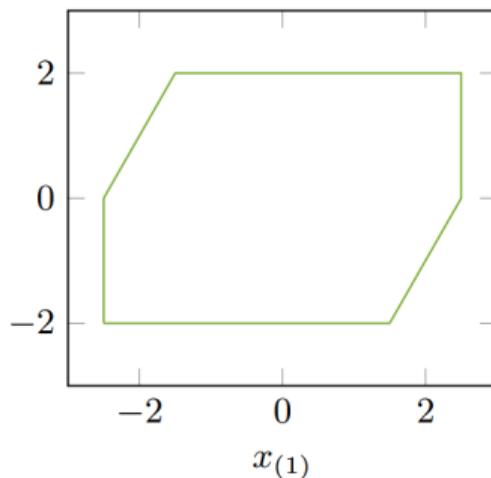
- Given two sets $\mathcal{S}_1, \mathcal{S}_2 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ we denote

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Technical Assumptions

- Uniquely determine system model under the following assumptions:
 - Single-Input System
 - Generic Properties
 - Discrete Linear System
 - $x[i + 1] = Ax[i] + bu[i], \quad x[0] = 0, \quad u \in \mathcal{U}$
 - Consecutive unit-length time steps
 - Fully Controllable System
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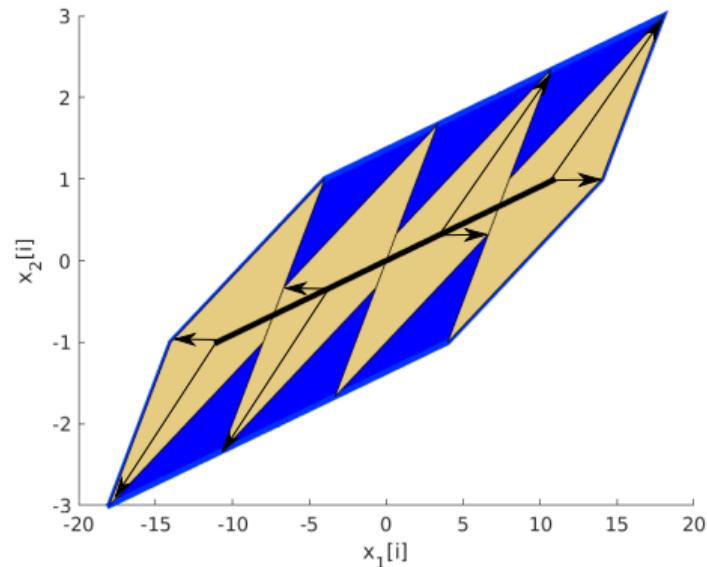
How can we solve for A and b given the assumptions above?

Reachable Sets as Minkowski Sums

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- $x[i] = A^i x[0] + A^{i-1}bu[0] + \dots + bu[i - 1]$
- This implies:
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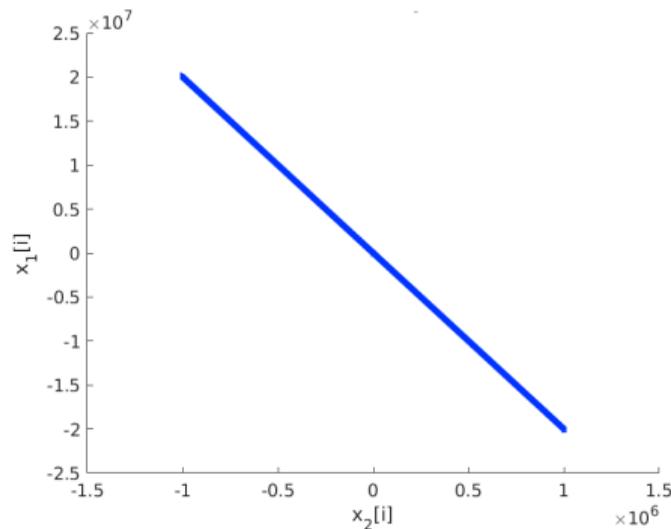
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Solving for Dynamics

- Solving for the vector b with knowledge of \mathcal{U} is trivial
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- Similarly we can solve for $A^i b$ with knowledge of \mathcal{U}
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- If we have a controllable system
 - $C_{A,b} = [b \quad Ab \quad \dots \quad A^{i-1}b]$
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 - $A = AC_{A,b}C_{A,b}^{-1}$



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Analytical Results for Uniqueness

Theorem

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Remark

The theorem above holds for systems with symmetric input sets of dimension 2

Bandpass Filter Circuit Example

- Fourth-order band-pass circuit
 - Controllable canonical representation

$$x[i+1] = Ax[i] + bv_c[i] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -a_0 & -a_1 & -a_2 & -a_3 \end{bmatrix} x[i] + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} v_c[i]$$

- $v_c[i] \in [0, 1]$ for all $i \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$
- If $a_0 \neq 0$ then assumptions are likely satisfied
 - A invertible
 - A diagonalizable
- Want to recover the true parameters
 - $a_0 = 3, a_1 = 2, a_2 = 3, a_3 = 6$

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$$\mathcal{R}(1,0) = \text{conv} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right), \mathcal{R}(2,0) = \text{conv} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

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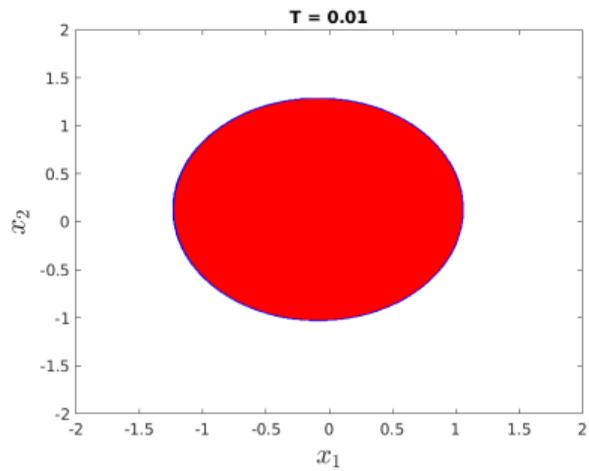
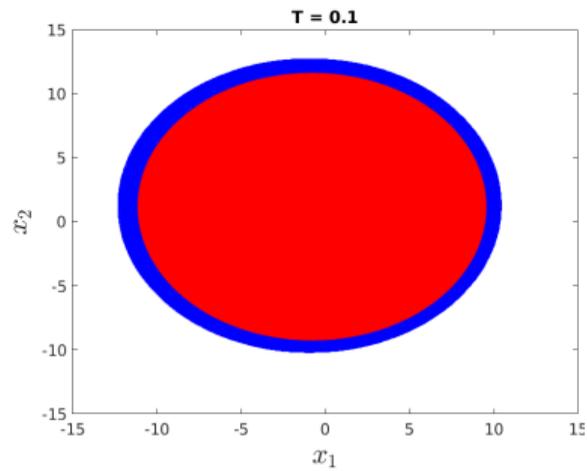
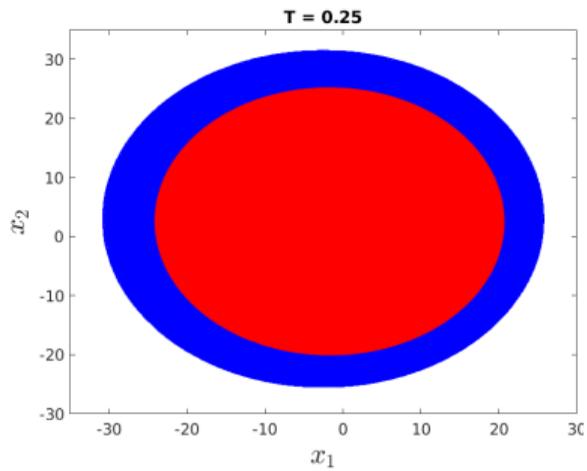
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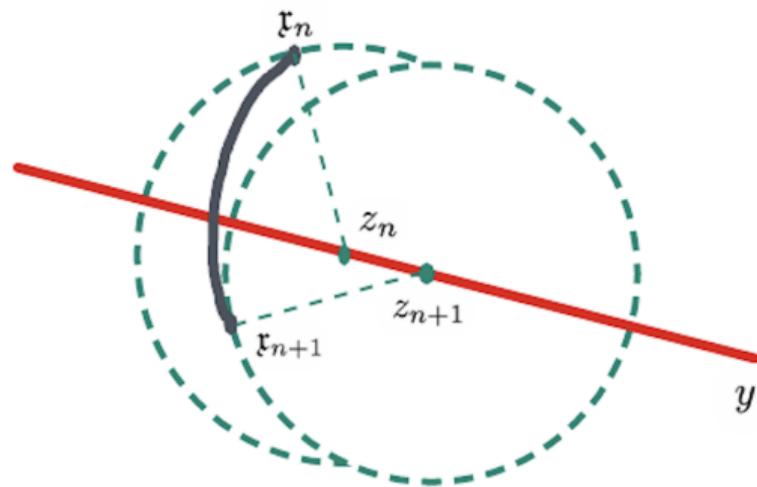
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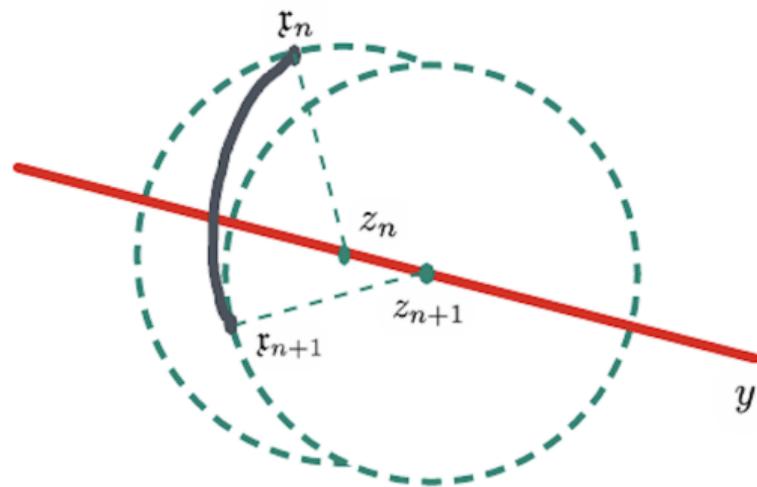
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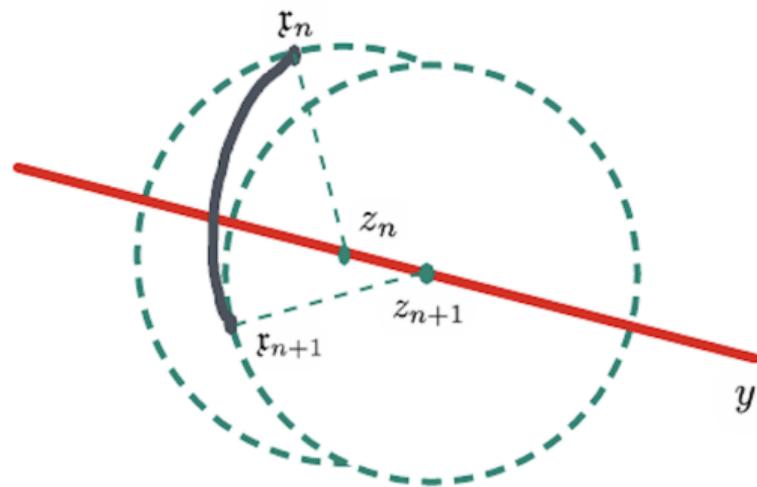
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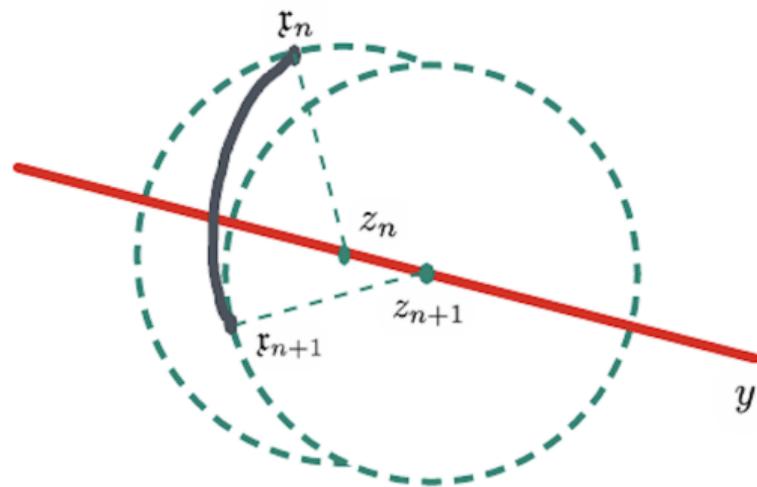
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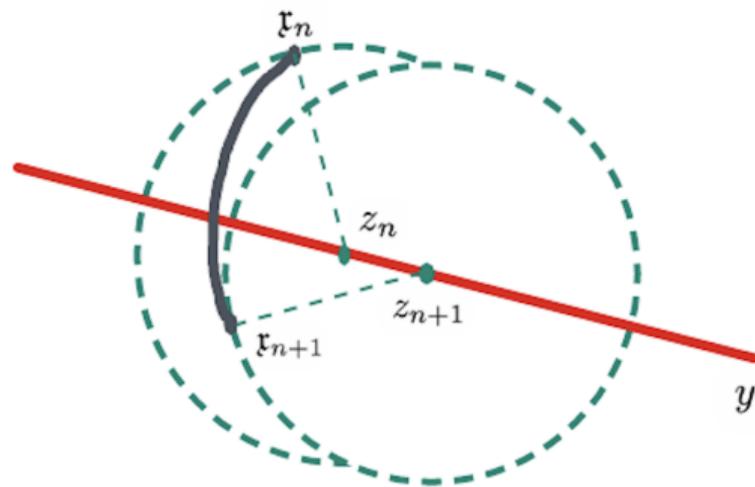
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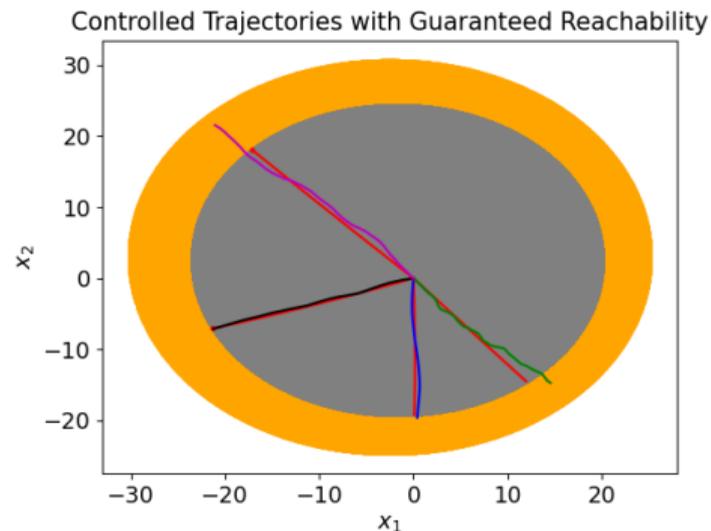
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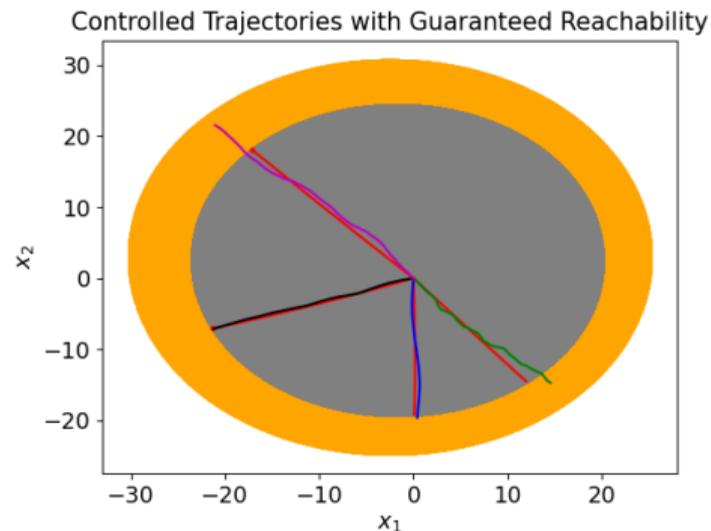
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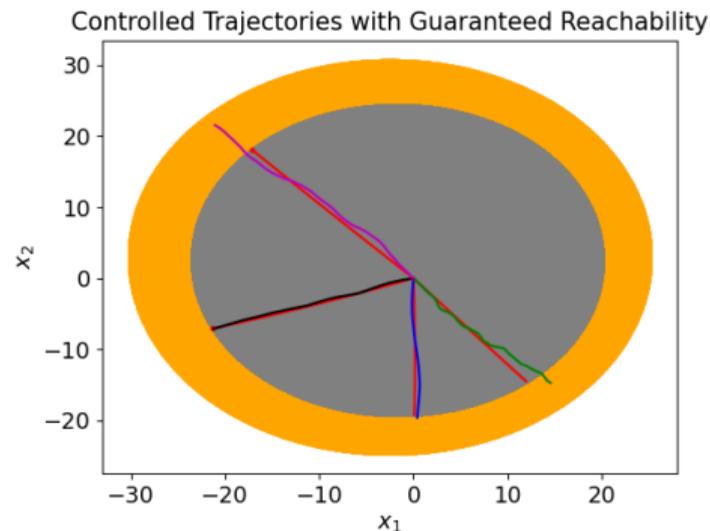
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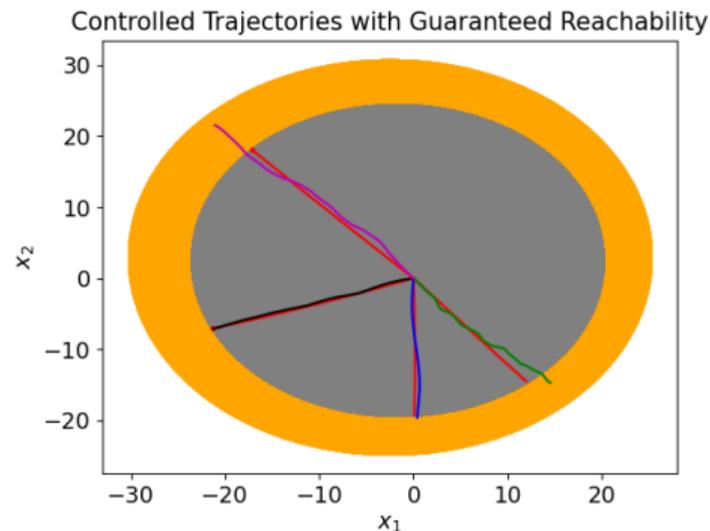
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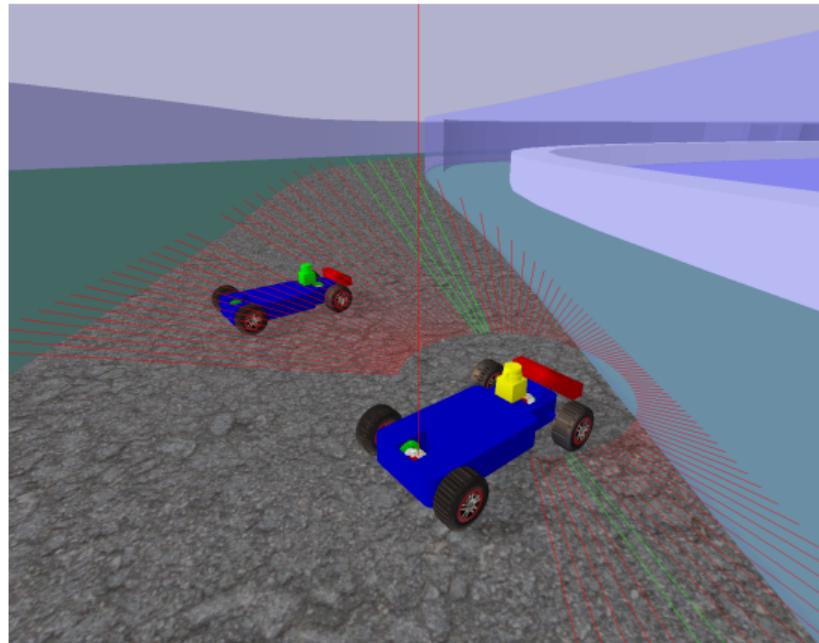
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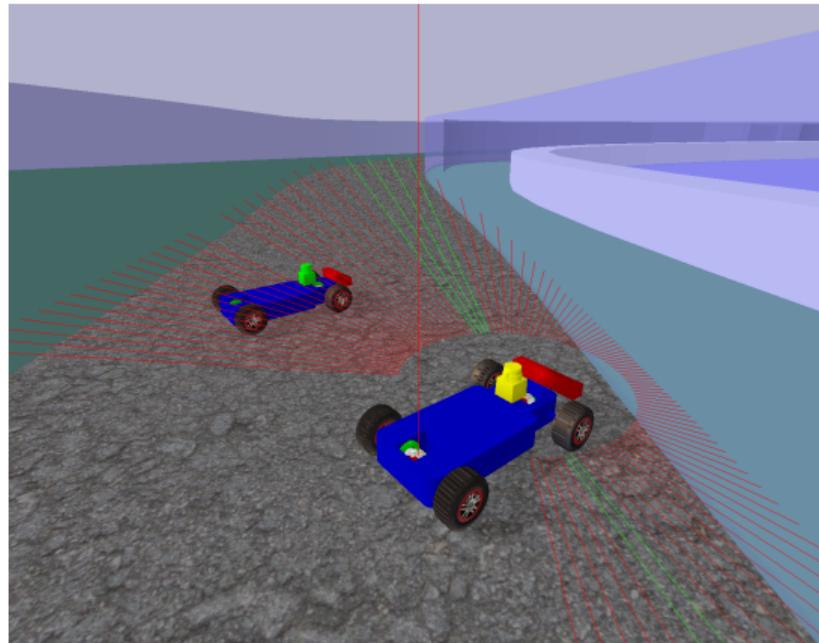
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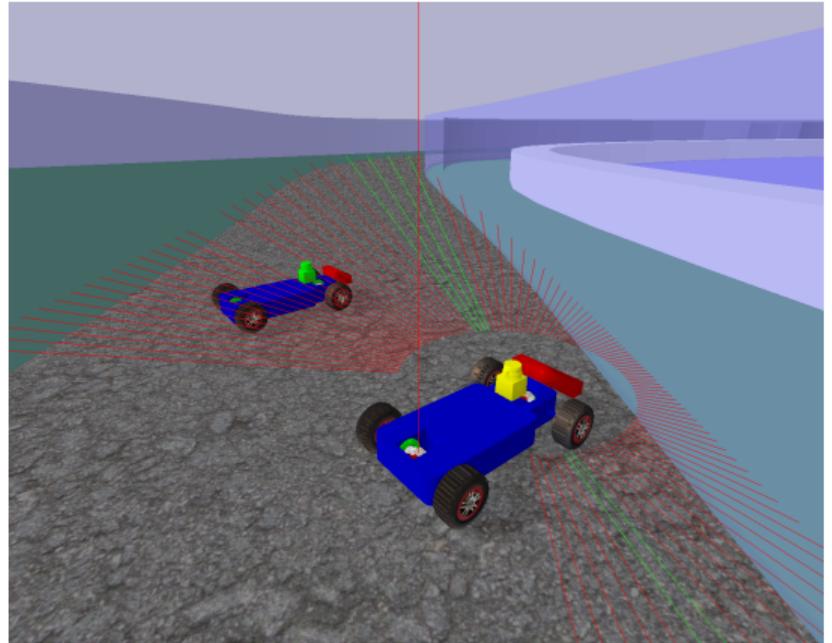
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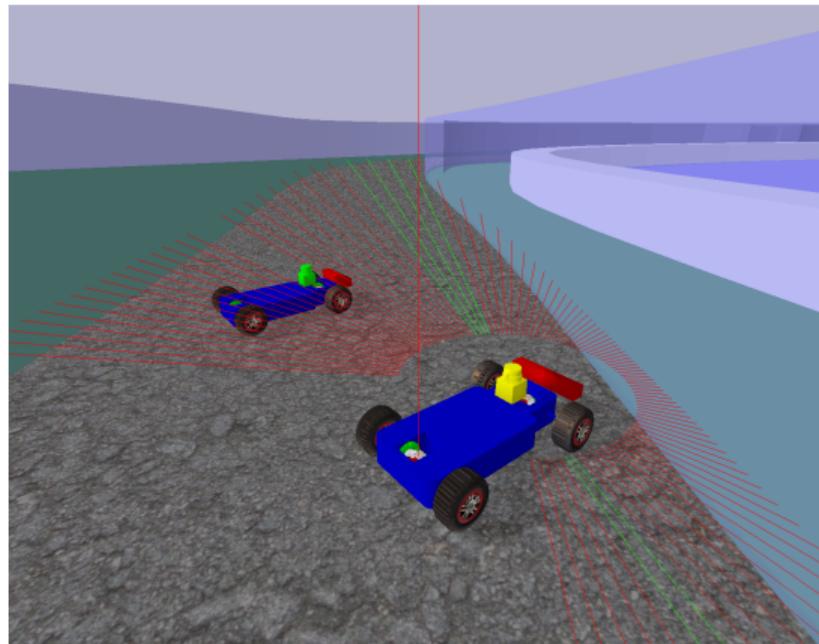
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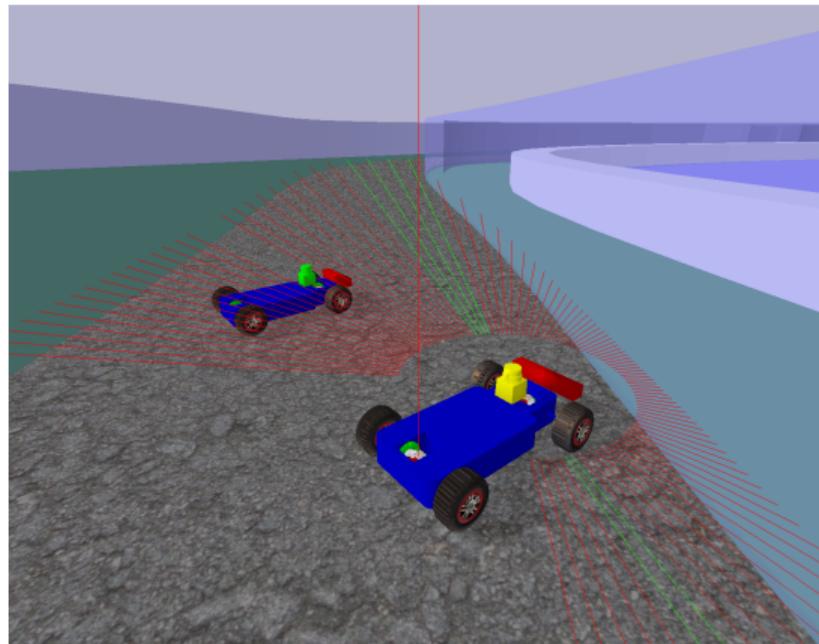
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