

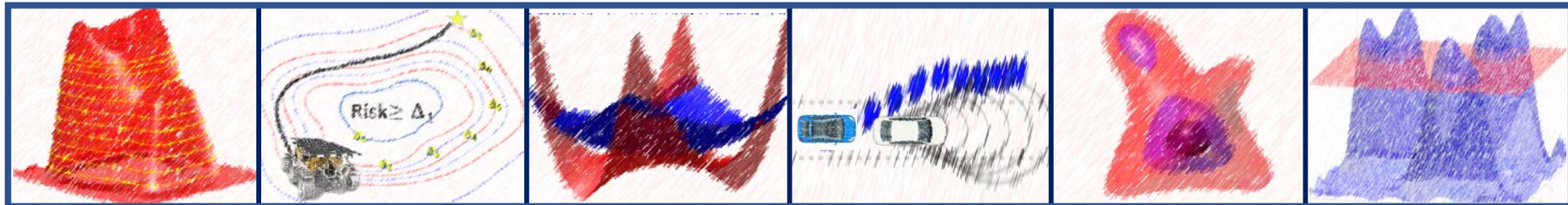
## Lecture 8

# Nonlinear Robust and Distributionally Robust Chance Constrained Optimization

## SOS Based SDP Approach

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## Topics

- Formulation of Robust Optimization
- Challenges
- Robust Sum-of-Squares
- Robust Sets for Robust Optimization
- Robust Games
- Distributionally Robust Chance Constrained Optimization

# Robust Optimization Based Planning

minimize Objective Function(design parameters)  
 subject to satisfy constraints for all possible values of uncertainties

## Mathematical Formulation

$$\begin{array}{ll} \underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\text{minimize}} & p(x) \\ \text{subject to} & g_i(x, \omega) \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_g, \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega \end{array}$$

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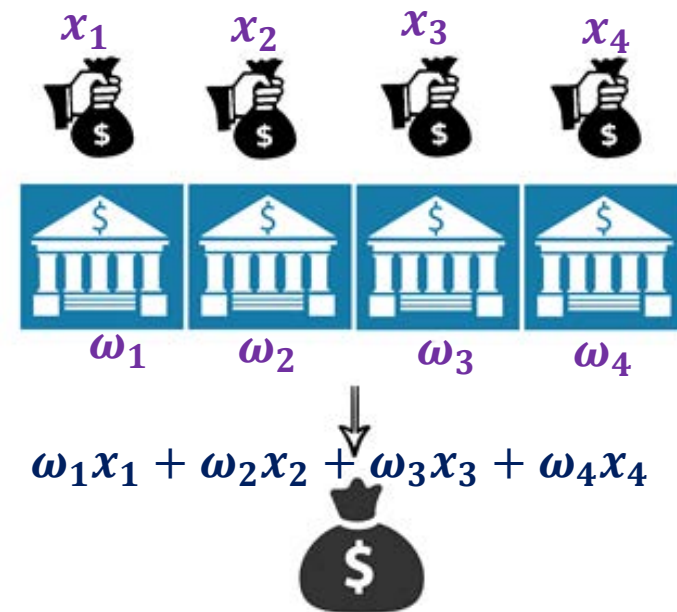
- Assets with uncertain rate of return:

$$\omega_i \in [l_i, u_i], i = 1, \dots, 4$$

- $x_i$  invested money in asset  $i$

- Uncertain Constraints:

Achieve a return higher than " $r^*$ " =  $\{\omega_1 x_1 + \omega_2 x_2 + \omega_3 x_3 + \omega_4 x_4 \geq r^*\}$



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$$\text{subject to} \quad \text{Probability}(\omega_1 x_1 + \omega_2 x_2 + \omega_3 x_3 + \omega_4 x_4 \geq r^*) \geq 1 - \Delta$$

$$\omega_i \sim pr_{\omega_i}(\omega), \quad i = 1, \dots, 4$$

## Example: Safe Control

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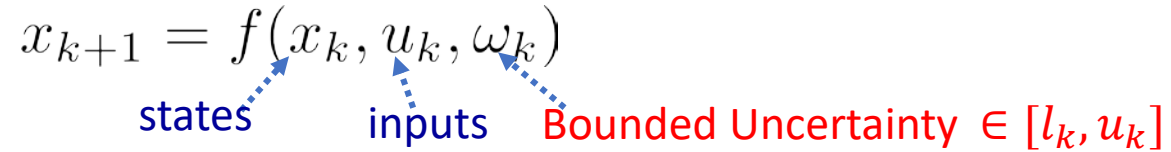
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$$u_k \in \mathcal{U} \quad x_{k+1} = f(x_k, u_k, \omega_k)$$

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## Example: Safe Control

**Examples on safe control of uncertain nonlinear dynamical systems in pages 23, 30, 64, 121**

# Challenges

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$$\underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\text{minimize}} \quad p(x)$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad g_i(x, \omega) \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_g, \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega$$

Objective function and constraints are polynomial functions.



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**In This Lecture:** We use Sums-of-Squares approach to address a general class of Robust Optimizations.



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# Robust Sum-of-Squares

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## Application: Stability Analysis of Uncertain Nonlinear Systems

Given a dynamical system  $\dot{x} = f(x, \omega) \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega$

- **Stability in presence of uncertainties**
- To prove this, we need to find an **energy function**  $V(x)$  with following properties

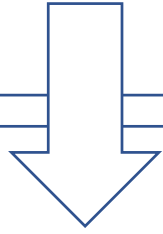
$$V(x) = 0 \text{ on } x = 0 \quad V(x) > 0 \text{ on } x \neq 0 \quad -\dot{V}(x, \omega) = \frac{\partial V(x)}{\partial x} \dot{x} > 0 \quad \forall x \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega \quad (\text{Lyapunov function})$$

## Robust Nonnegative Polynomial

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### SOS Relaxation:

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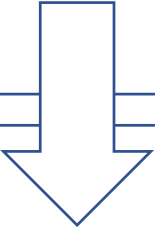
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**Yalmip:**  $SOS(p(x, \omega) - \sum_{i=1}^{n_x} \sigma_i(x, \omega) g_{x_i}(x) - \sum_{i=1}^{n_\omega} \bar{\sigma}_i(x, \omega) g_{\omega_i}(\omega))$

$SOS(\sigma_i(x, \omega)) \quad i = 1, \dots, n_x$

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## Example: Stability Analysis of Uncertain Nonlinear Systems

Uncertain Nonlinear Dynamical System:

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➤ We look for polynomial Lyapunov function  $V(x) = \sum_{\alpha=0}^{2d} c_{\alpha} x^{\alpha}$

Stability Conditions:

$$V(x) = 0 \text{ on } x = 0$$

$$V(x) \gtrsim 0 \quad \forall x \neq 0$$

$$-\dot{V}(x, \omega) \gtrsim 0 \quad \forall x \neq 0 \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega$$

$$\epsilon > 0$$

$$V(x) \gtrsim \epsilon \|x\|_2^2$$

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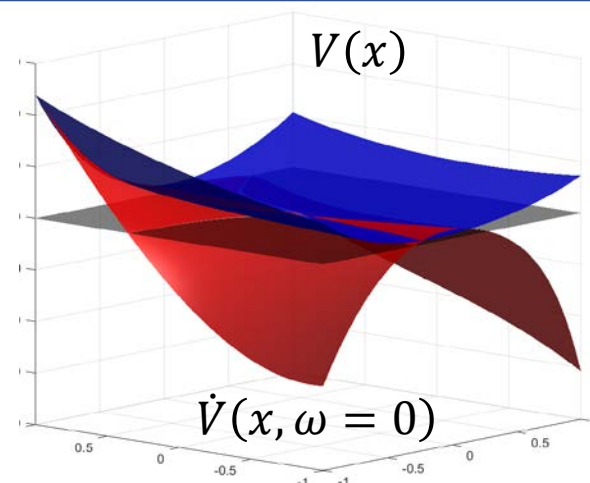
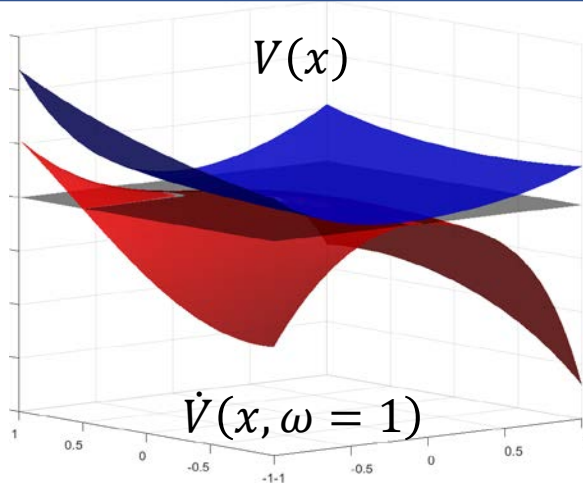
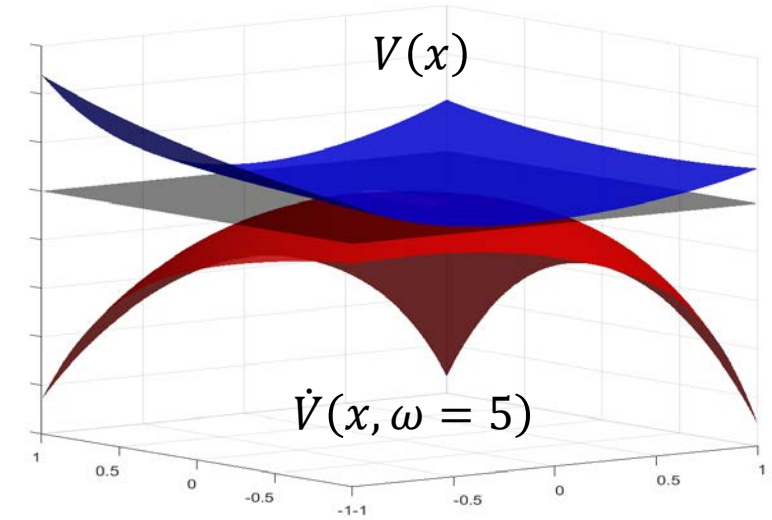
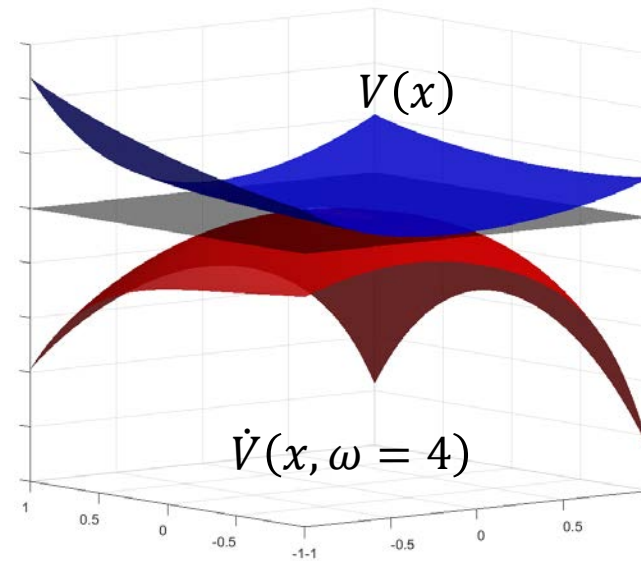
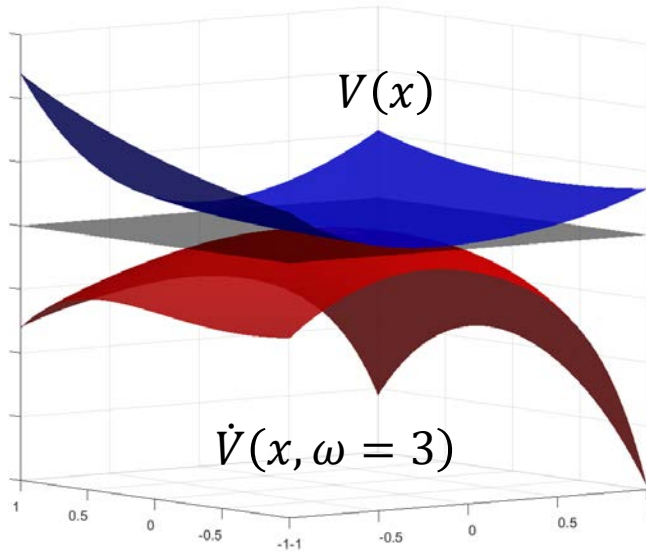
$$V(x) - \epsilon \|x\|_2^2 \in SOS$$

$$-\dot{V}(x) - \epsilon \|x\|_2^2 - \sigma_1(x, \omega)(\omega - 3)(5 - \omega) \in SOS$$

$$\dot{V}(x) = \frac{\partial V(x)}{\partial x_1} \dot{x}_1 + \frac{\partial V(x)}{\partial x_2} \dot{x}_2 = \frac{\partial V(x)}{\partial x_1} \left(-\frac{3}{2}x_1^3 - \frac{1}{2}x_1^2 - x_2\right) + \frac{\partial V(x)}{\partial x_2} (6x_1 - \omega x_2)$$



- Uncertain Nonlinear system is stable for Uncertain Parameter:  $\omega \in [3 \ 5]$



- For :  $\omega \notin [3 \ 5]$   
 $V(x)$  does not satisfy the stability conditions.

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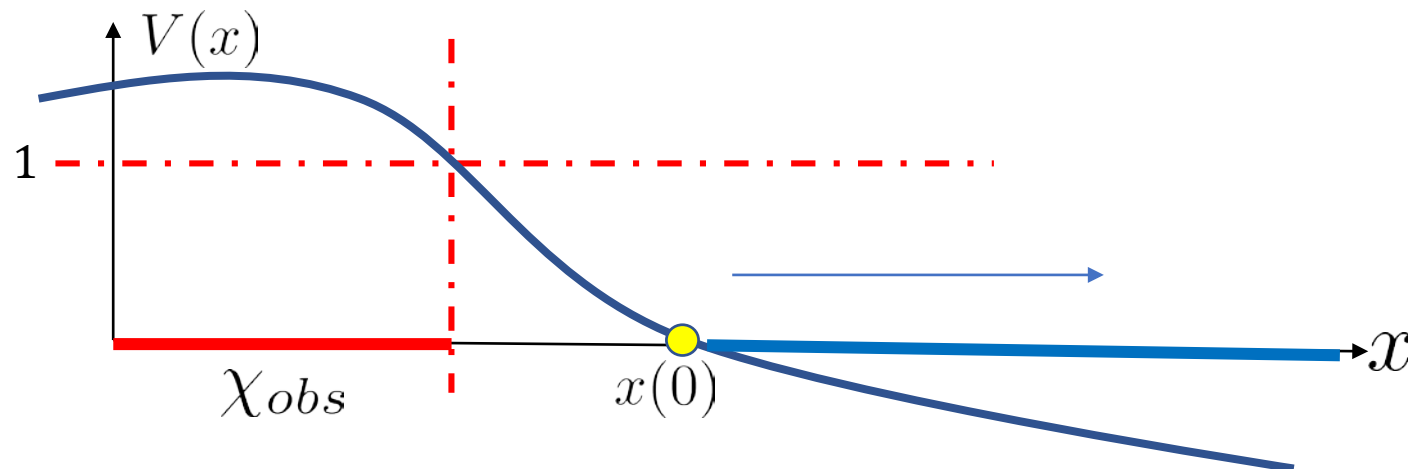
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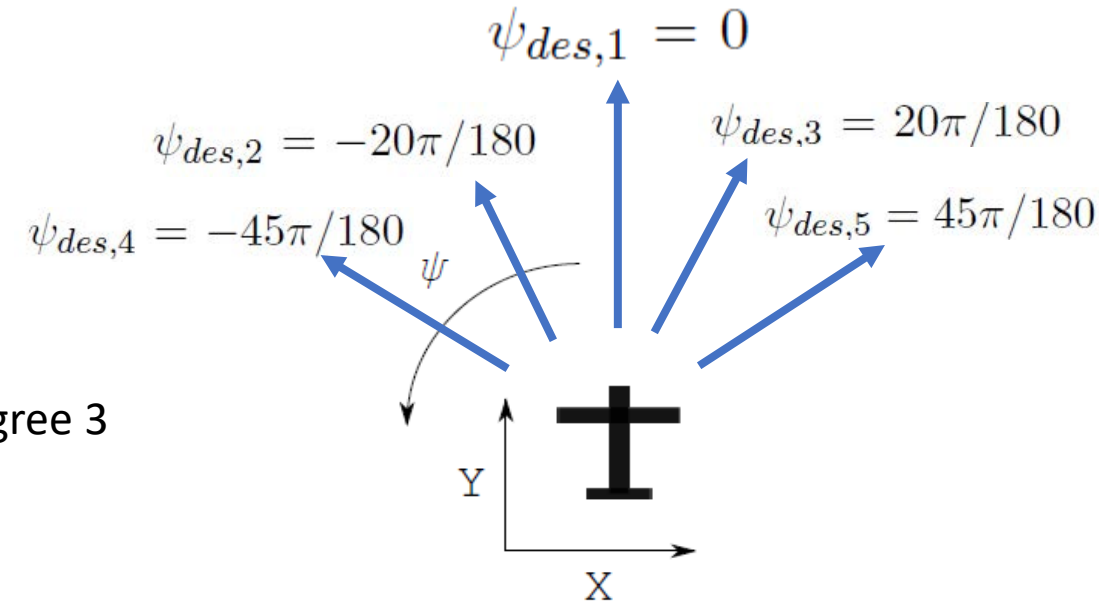
- $x$  is constrained to evolve within the  $\{x: V(x) \leq 0\}$   
(0-level set of the function  $V(x)$ )

- Uncertain nonlinear dynamical system

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- Wind Disturbance:  $\omega \in [-0.05 \ 0.05]$
- Polynomial dynamics: Taylor expansion of nonlinear dynamics to degree 3

- Library of motion primitives



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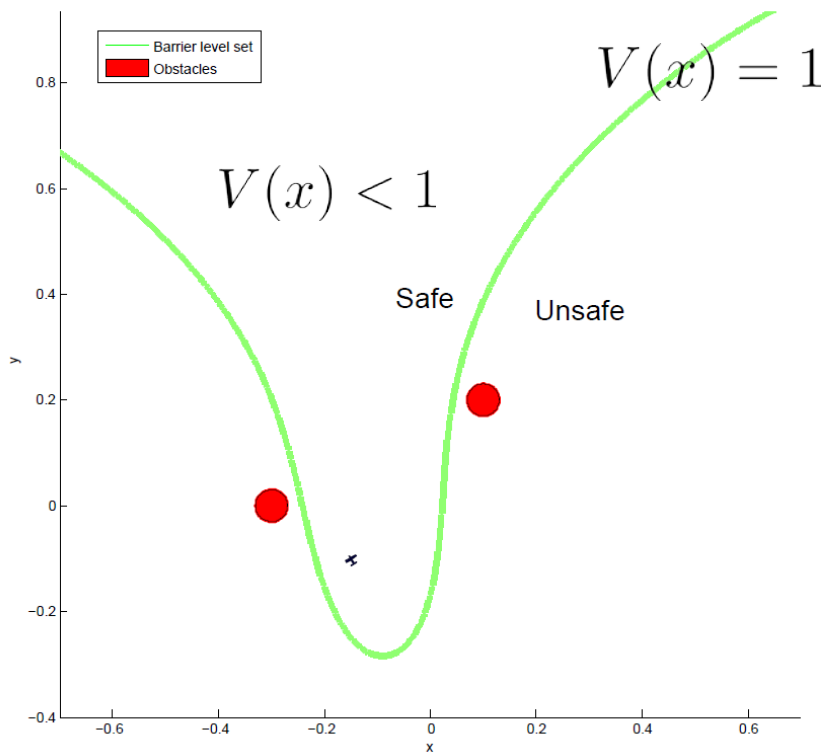
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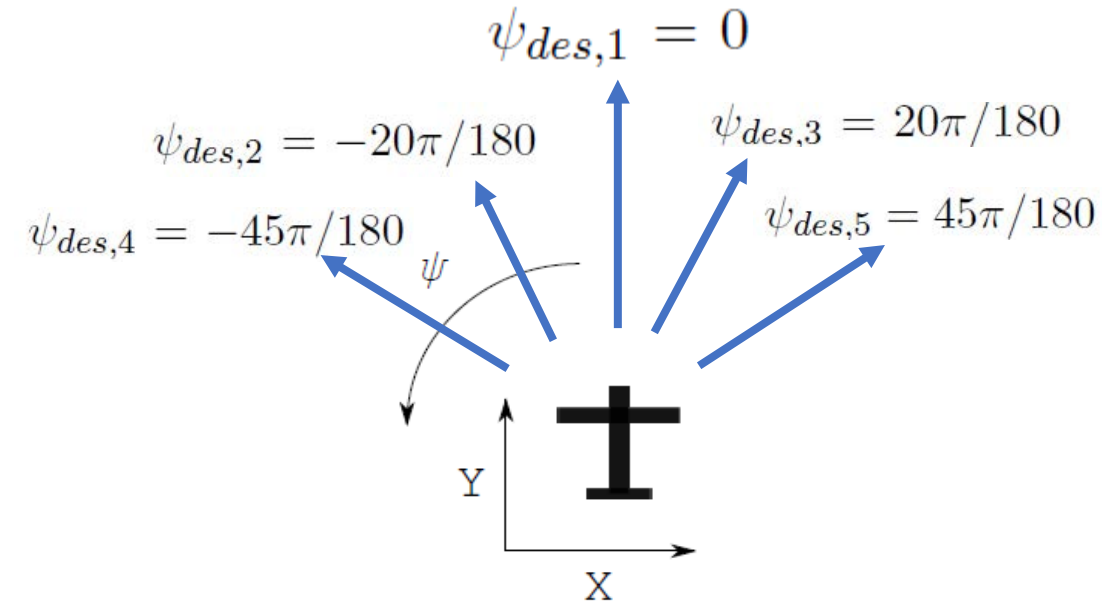
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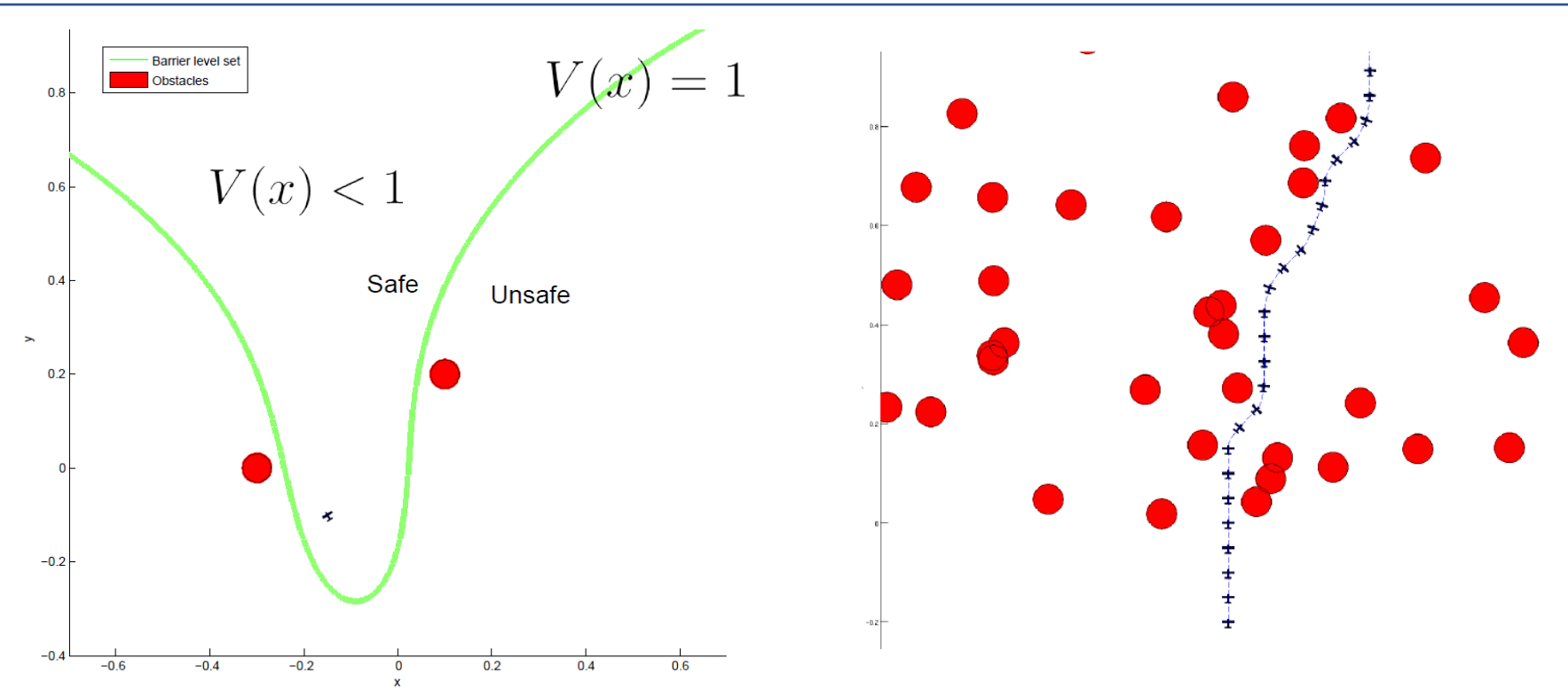
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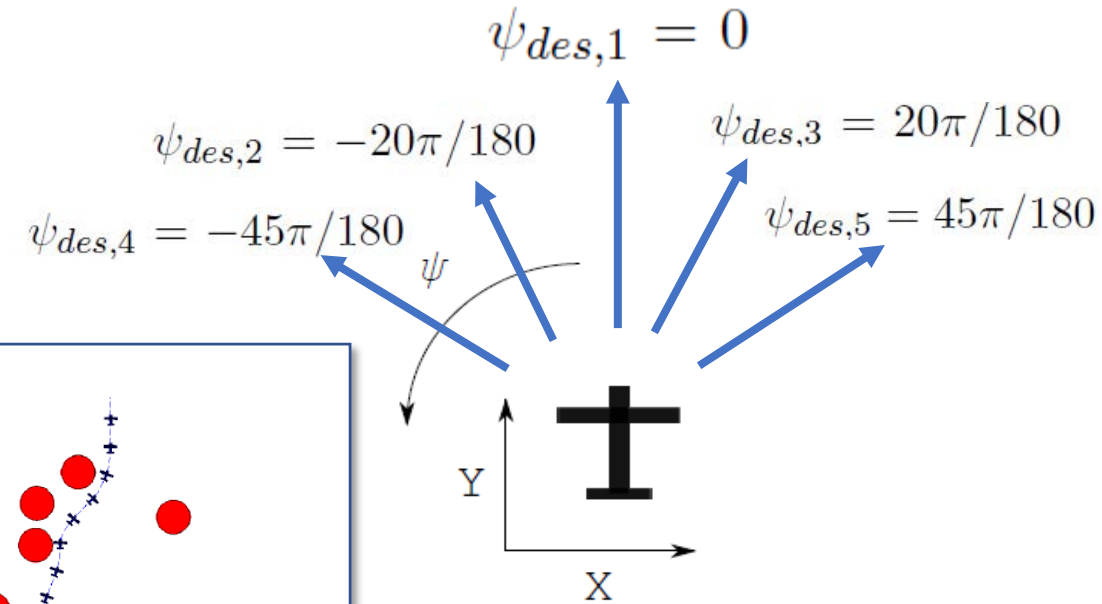
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- Wind Disturbance:  $\omega \in [-0.05 \ 0.05]$



- Library of motion primitives



Control input for motion primitives:

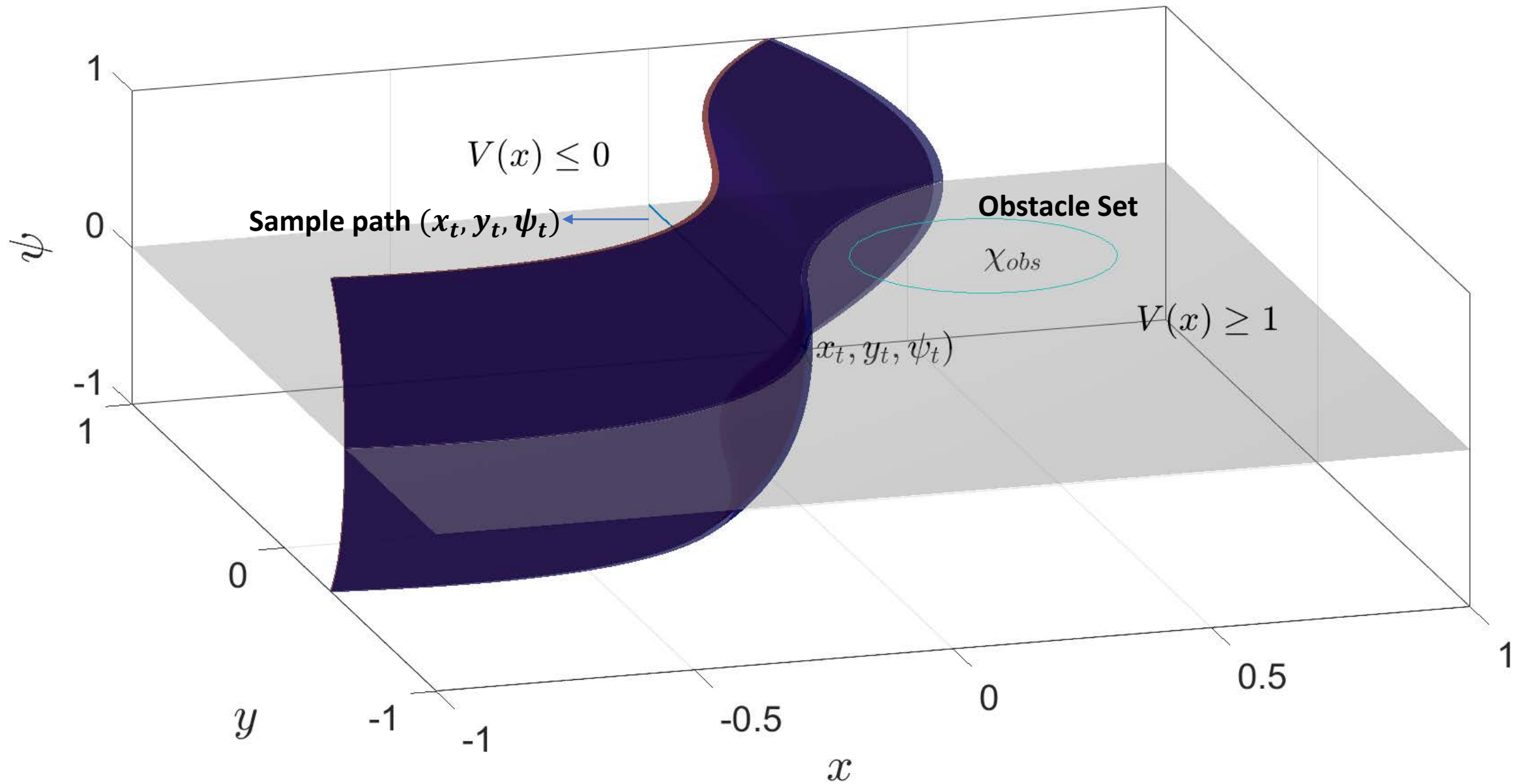
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# Barrier Function



## Topics

- Formulation of Robust Optimization
- Challenges
- Robust Sum-of-Squares
- Robust Sets for Robust Optimization
- Robust Games
- Distributionally Robust Chance Constrained Optimization

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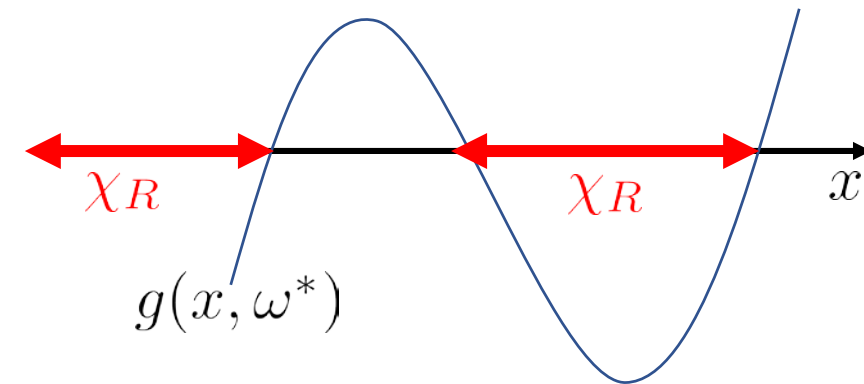
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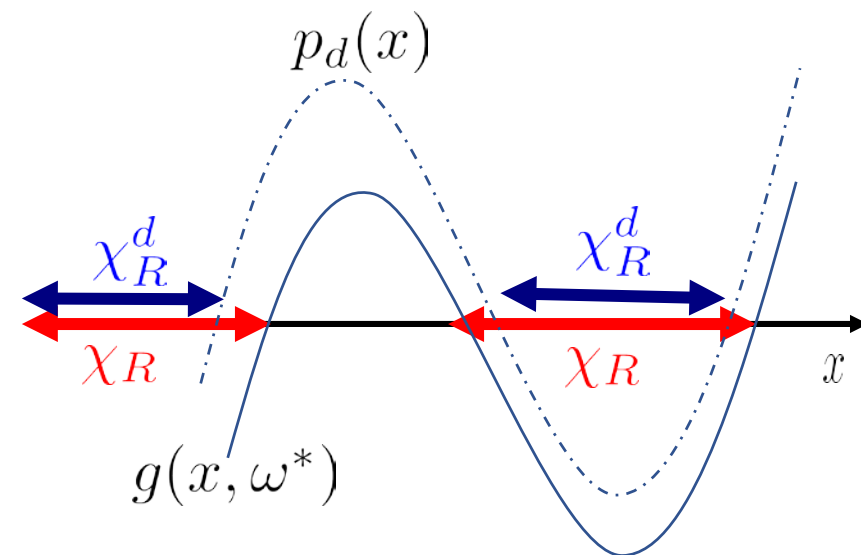
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### SOS Relaxation

$$p_d(x) - g(x, \omega) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \chi, \forall \omega \in \Omega$$

- Look for polynomial  $p_d(x)$  such that polynomial  $p_d(x) - g(x, \omega)$  be a nonnegative polynomials on the sets  $\chi$  and  $\Omega$

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$\chi \subset \mathbf{B}$  : simple box

**Assumption:** After rescaling polynomials  $\mathbf{B} = [-1, 1]^n$

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- Section 3.3, Jean B. Lasserre, , “Tractable approximations of sets defined with quantifiers” Math. Program., Ser. B, 151:507–527, 2015.

# Robust Set

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**Theorem:** Let polynomial  $p_d(x)$  be the solution of SOS program  $(p_d(x) \geq g(x, \omega) \quad \forall x \in \chi, \forall \omega \in \Omega)$

$$d \rightarrow \infty : \chi_R^d \rightarrow \chi_R$$

Because:  $\lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} p_d(x) \rightarrow g(x, \omega^*) = \max_{\omega \in \Omega} g(x, \omega)$

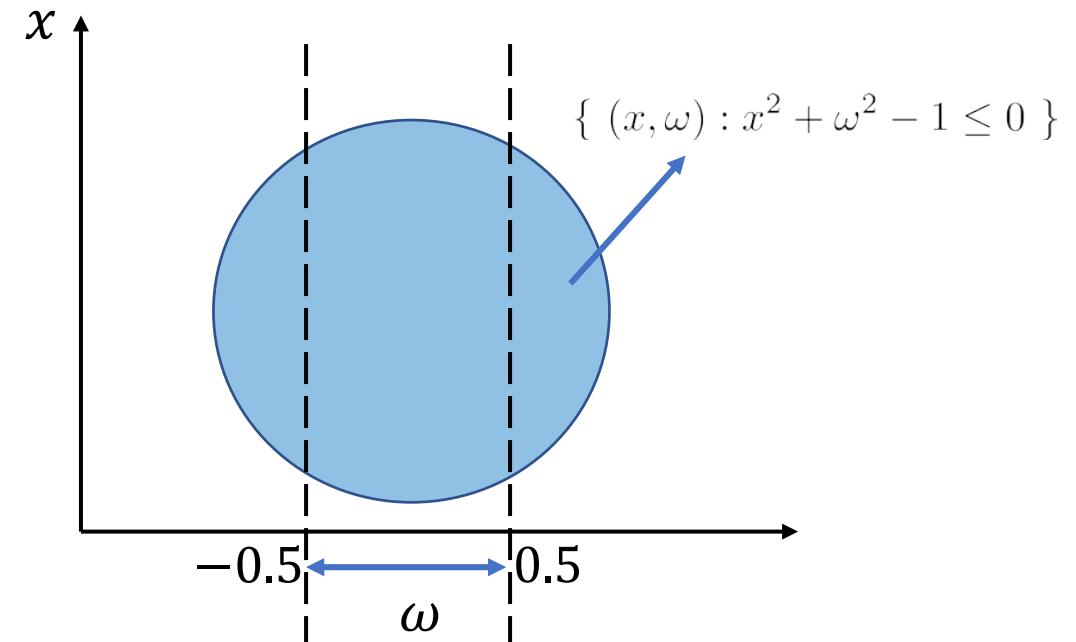
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- $g(x, \omega^*)$  is upper semi-continuous, Lemma 1, Jean B. Lasserre, , “Tractable approximations of sets defined with quantifiers” Math. Program., Ser. B, 151:507–527, 2015.
- $\lim_{d \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbf{B}} |p_d(x) - g(x, \omega^*)| dx = 0$ , Theorem 1, Theorem 3, Corollary 2, Jean B. Lasserre, , “Tractable approximations of sets defined with quantifiers” Math. Program., Ser. B, 151:507–527, 2015.

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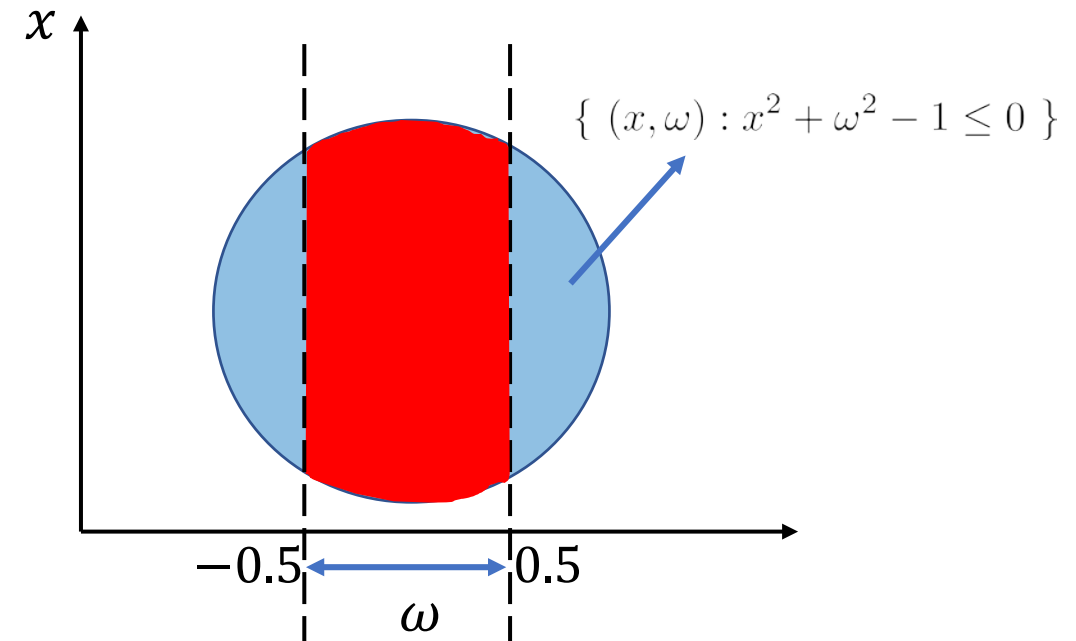


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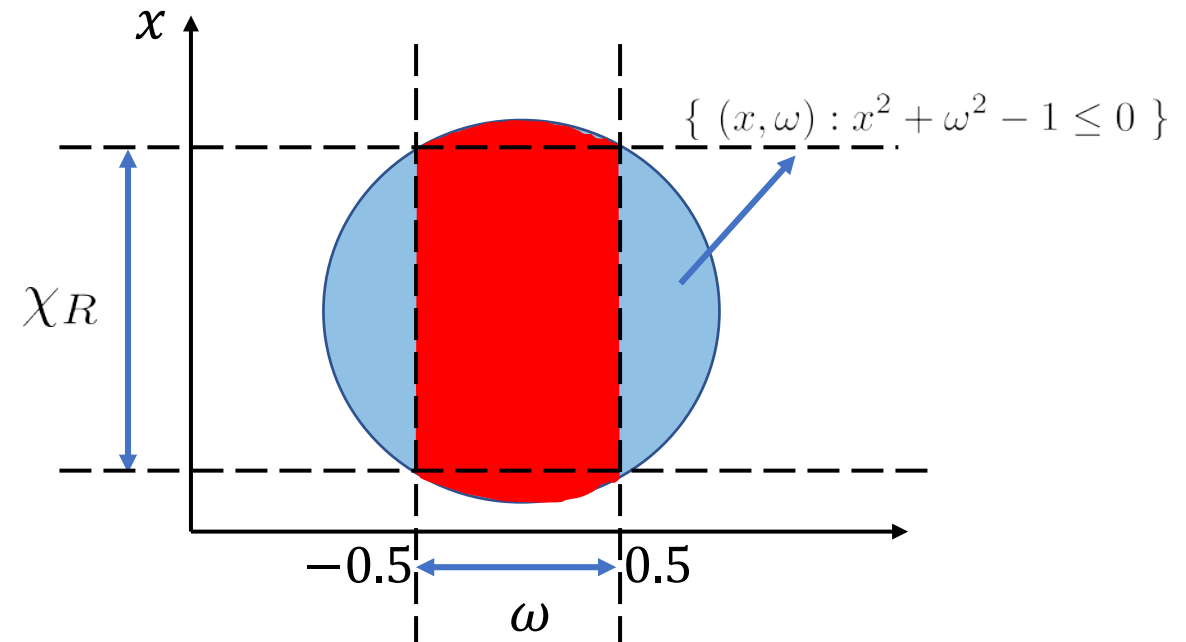
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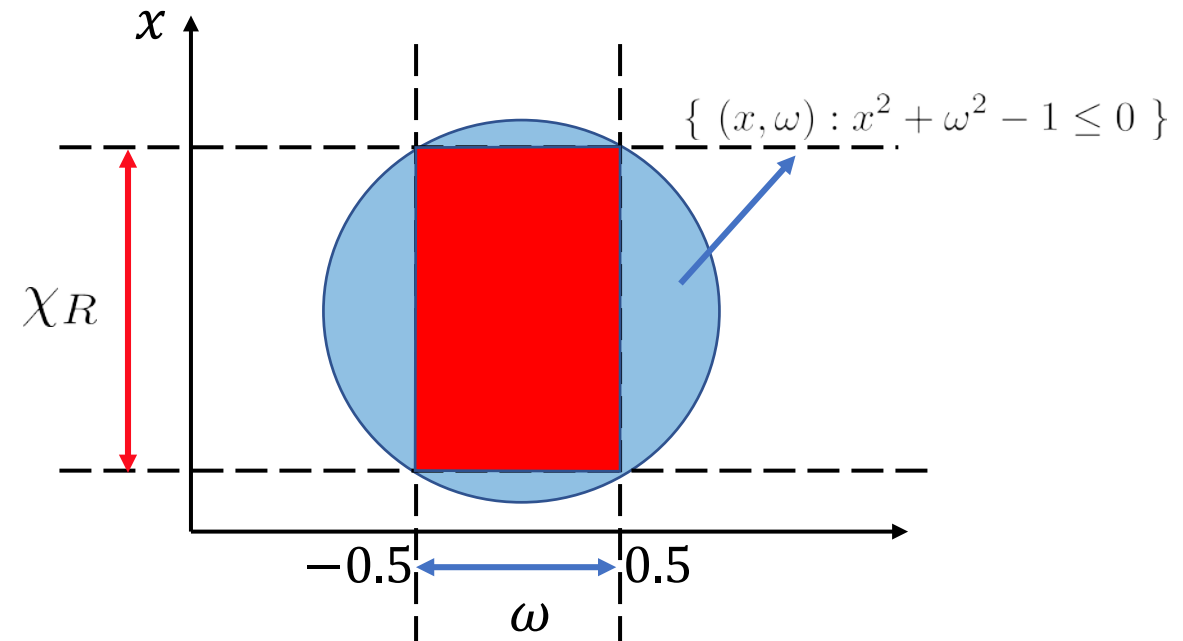
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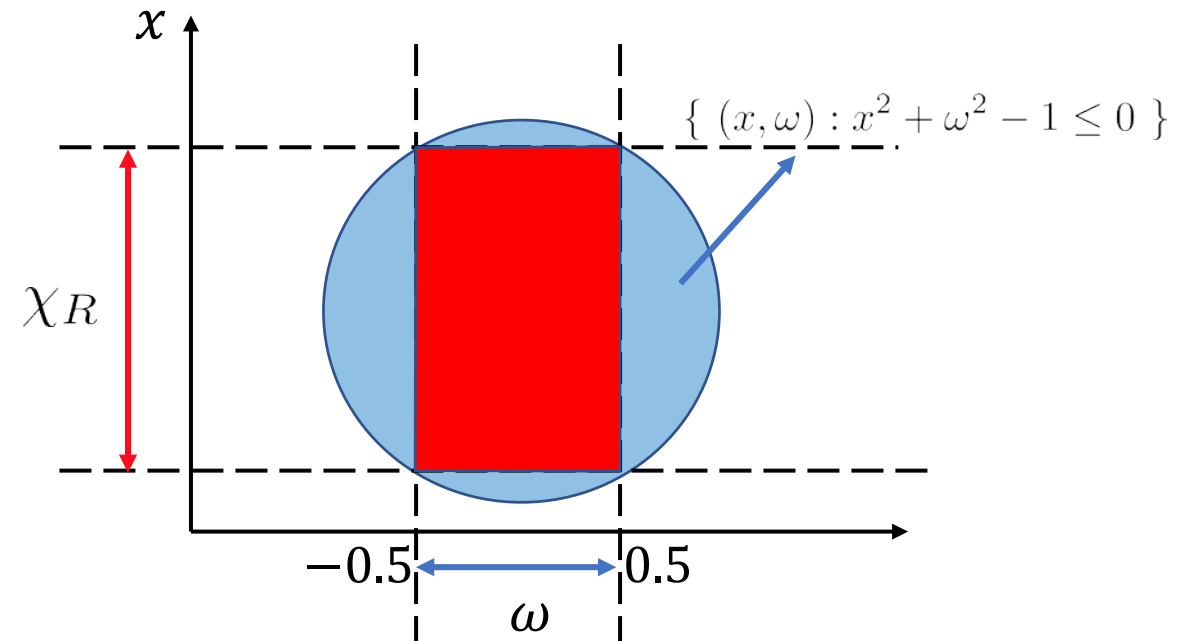
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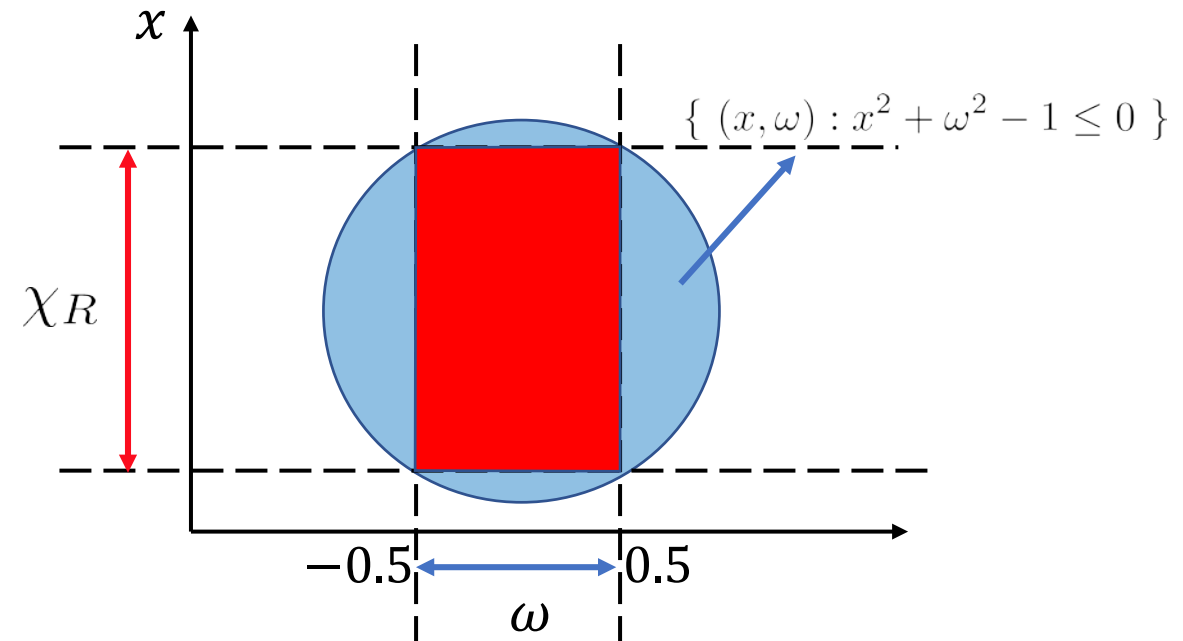
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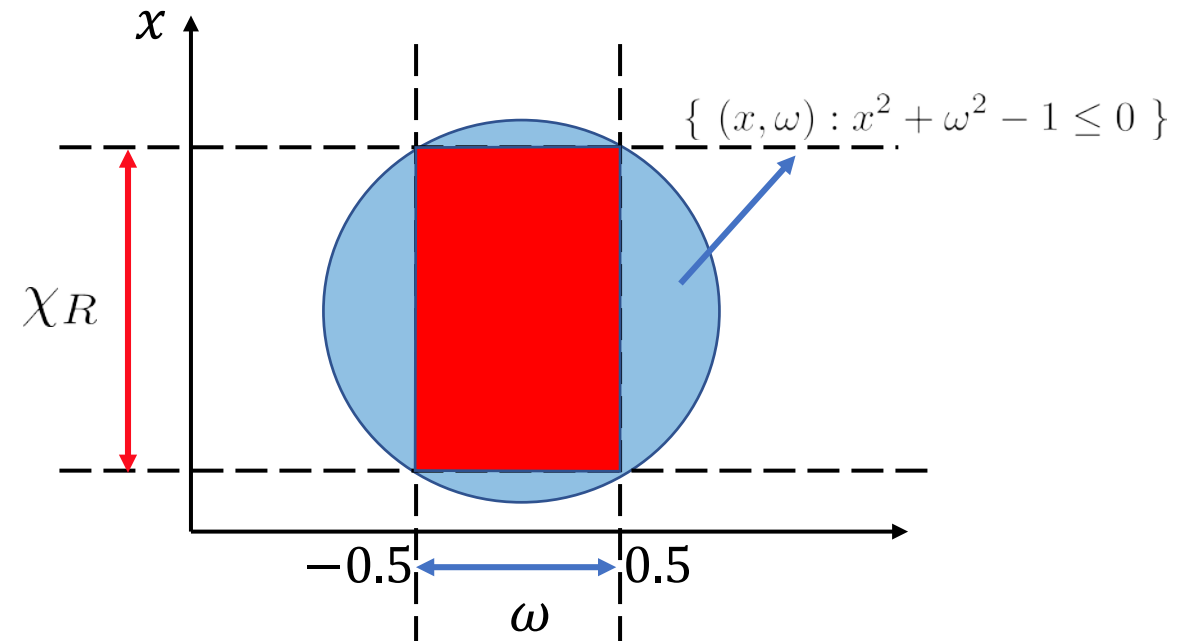
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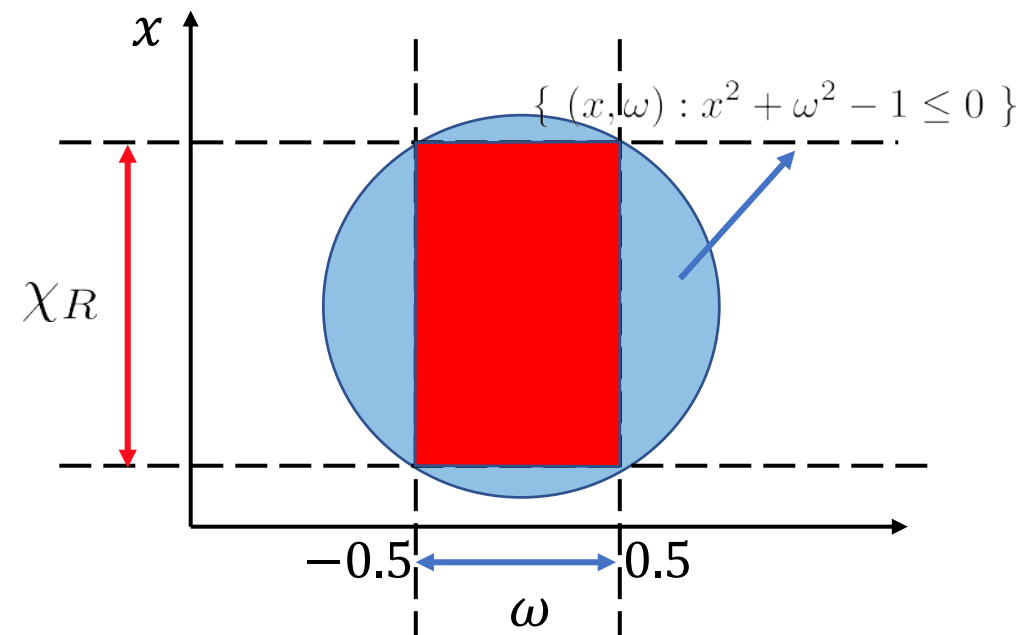
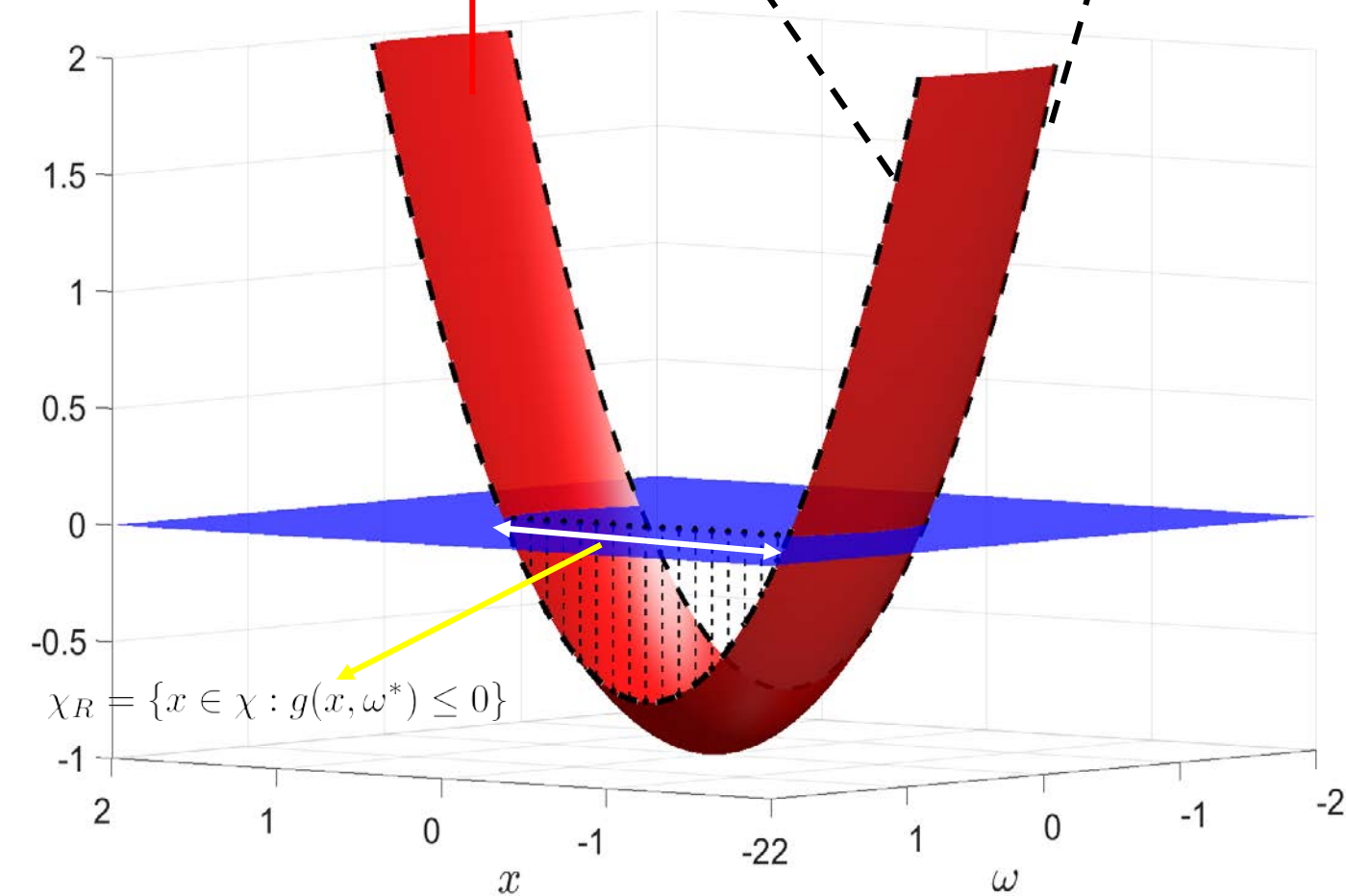
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$$x \in \chi = [-2 \ 2]$$

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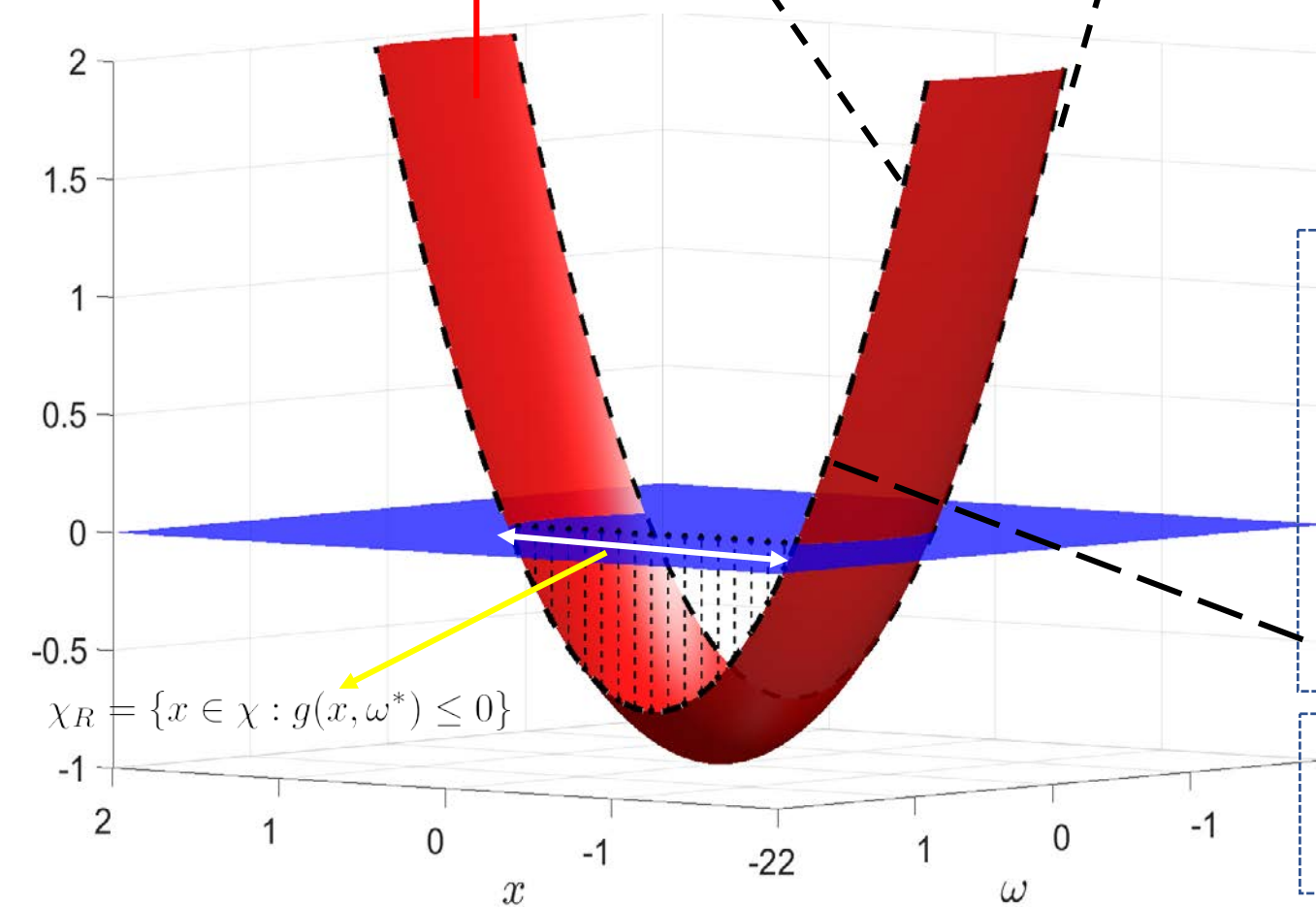
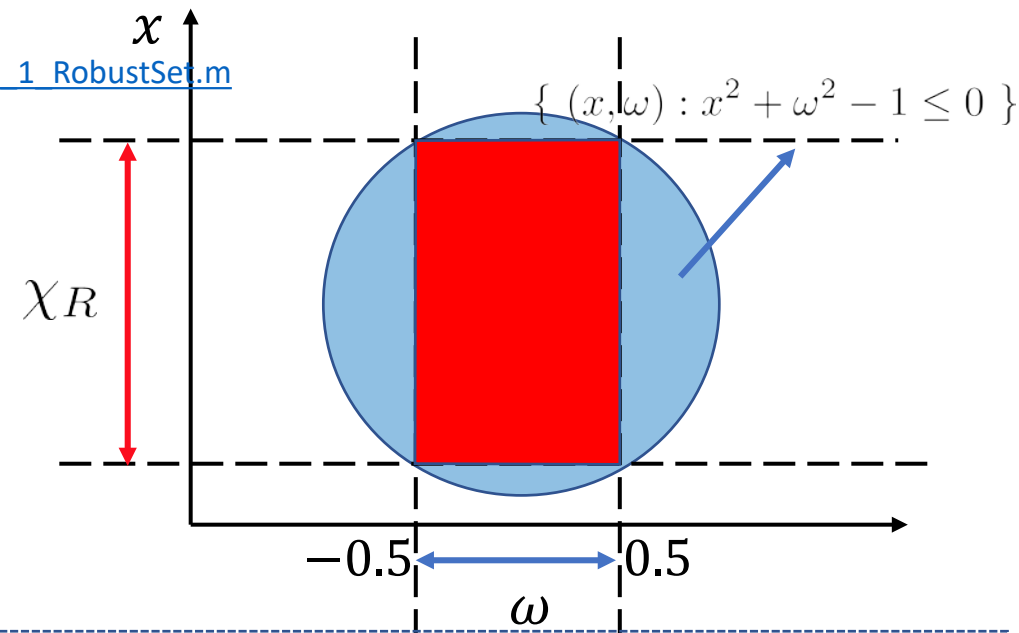
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$$p_{d=1}(x) = -0.75 - x^2 = g(x, \omega^*)$$

$$\chi_R^d = \{x \in \chi : p_d(x) \leq 0\}$$

# Summary

## Robust Optimization

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{x \in \chi}{\text{minimize}} && p(x) \\ & \text{subject to} && g(x, \omega) \leq 0, \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega \end{aligned}$$

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- **Uncertain parameters:**  $\omega \in \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^m$

- **SOS Program**

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- **Based on worst case scenario**

$$p_d(x) \geq g(x, \omega^*) = \max_{\omega \in \Omega} g(x, \omega) \quad \omega^*: \text{worst case uncertainty}$$

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## Extension 1: Coupled Uncertainty

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Let  $\Omega = \{\omega \in \mathbb{R}^m : g_{\omega_i}(\omega) \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, n_\omega\}$

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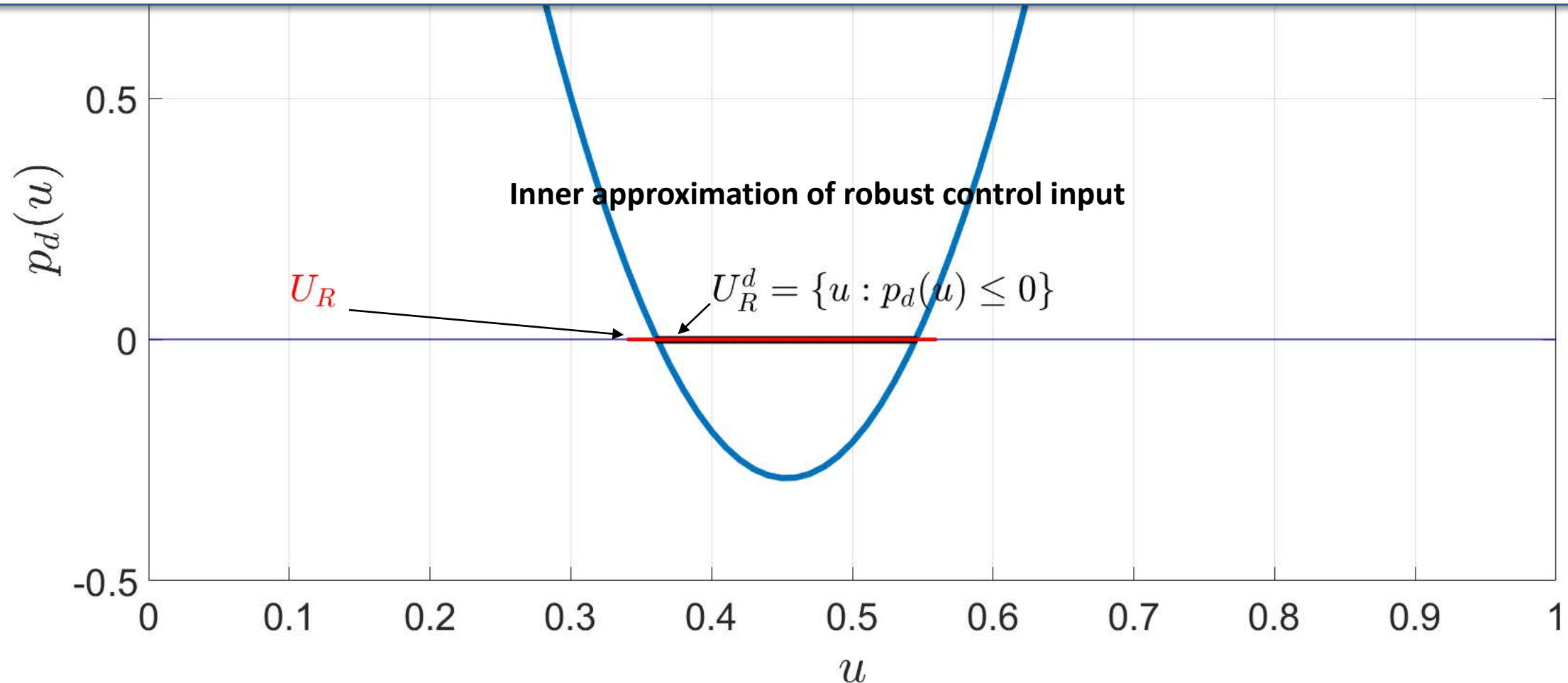
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Result of SOS Program

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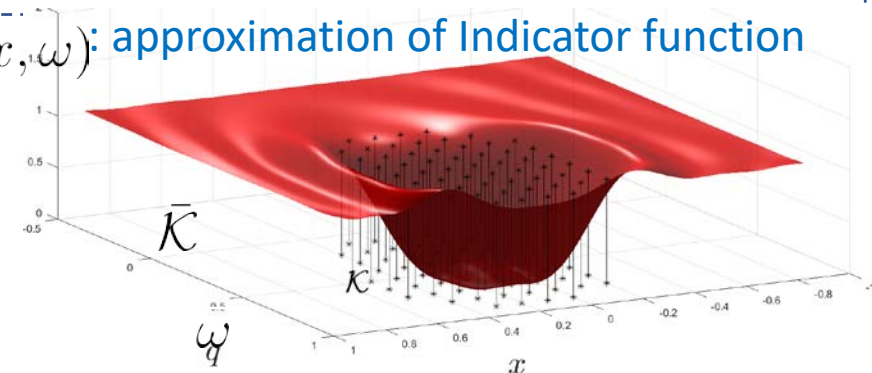
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## Distributionally Robust Chance Constrained Set

- If we apply the same methodology to Distributionally Robust problems, we need moments of probability distributions  $pr_a(\omega)$ .
- Moments of the probability distributions are **unknown**,  
(depend on the parameters of the probability distributions).

$$y_{\omega\beta} = \mathbb{E}[\omega^\beta] = \int \omega^\beta pr_a(\omega) d\omega$$

### Example:

$$pr_a(\omega) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(\omega-m)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \xrightarrow{a=(m,\sigma)} (m,\sigma) \in \mathcal{A} = [\underline{m}, \bar{m}] \times [\underline{\sigma} > 0, \bar{\sigma}] \subset \mathbb{R}^2$$

Uncertain Mean and deviation

Parametric Moments:  $y_\alpha = \mathbb{E}[\omega^\alpha] = \int \omega^\alpha \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(\omega-m)^2}{2\sigma^2}} d\omega$

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**Theorem:**      $d \rightarrow \infty \quad : \quad \bar{\chi}_{DR}^d \rightarrow \chi_{DR}$

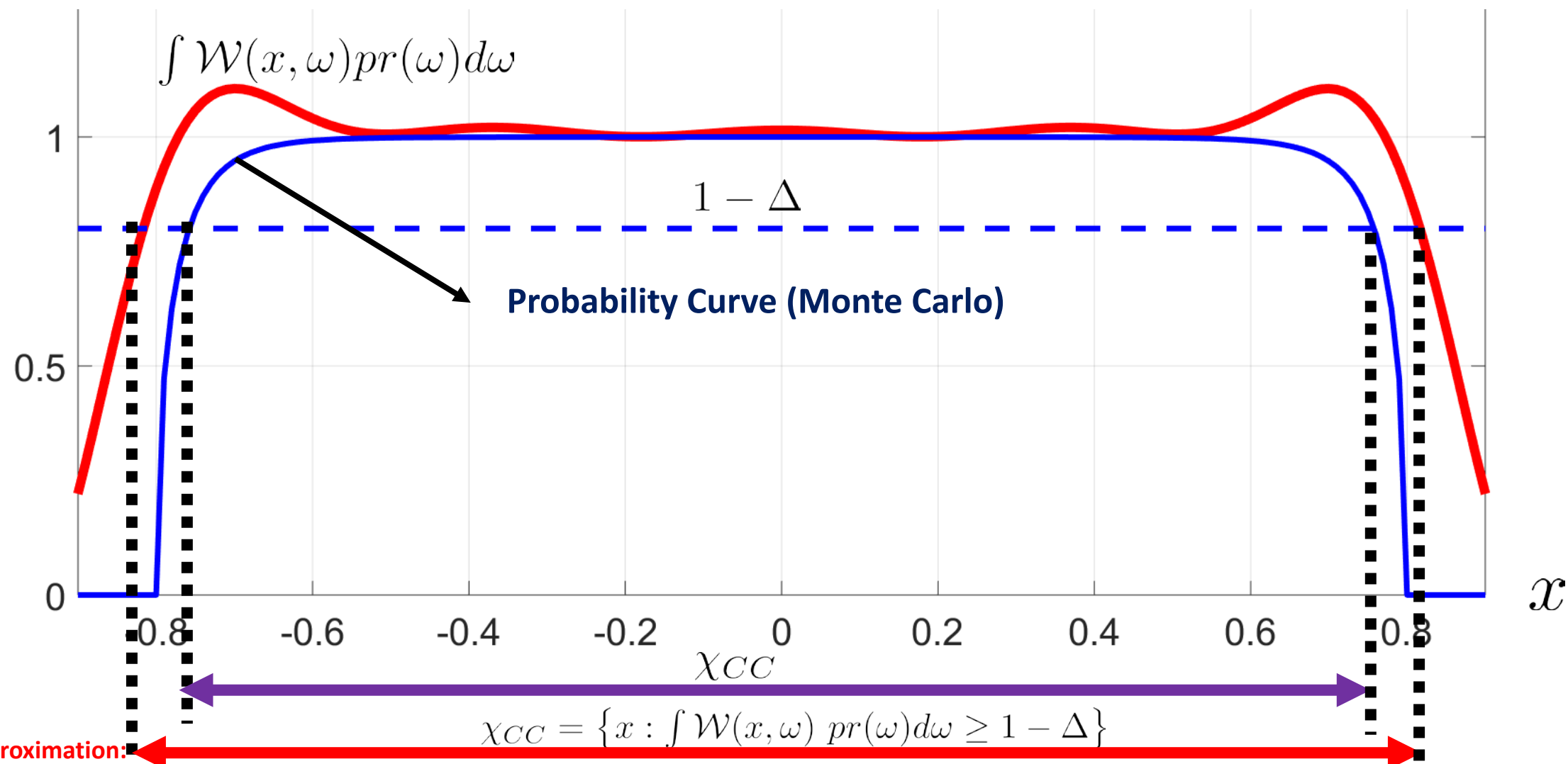
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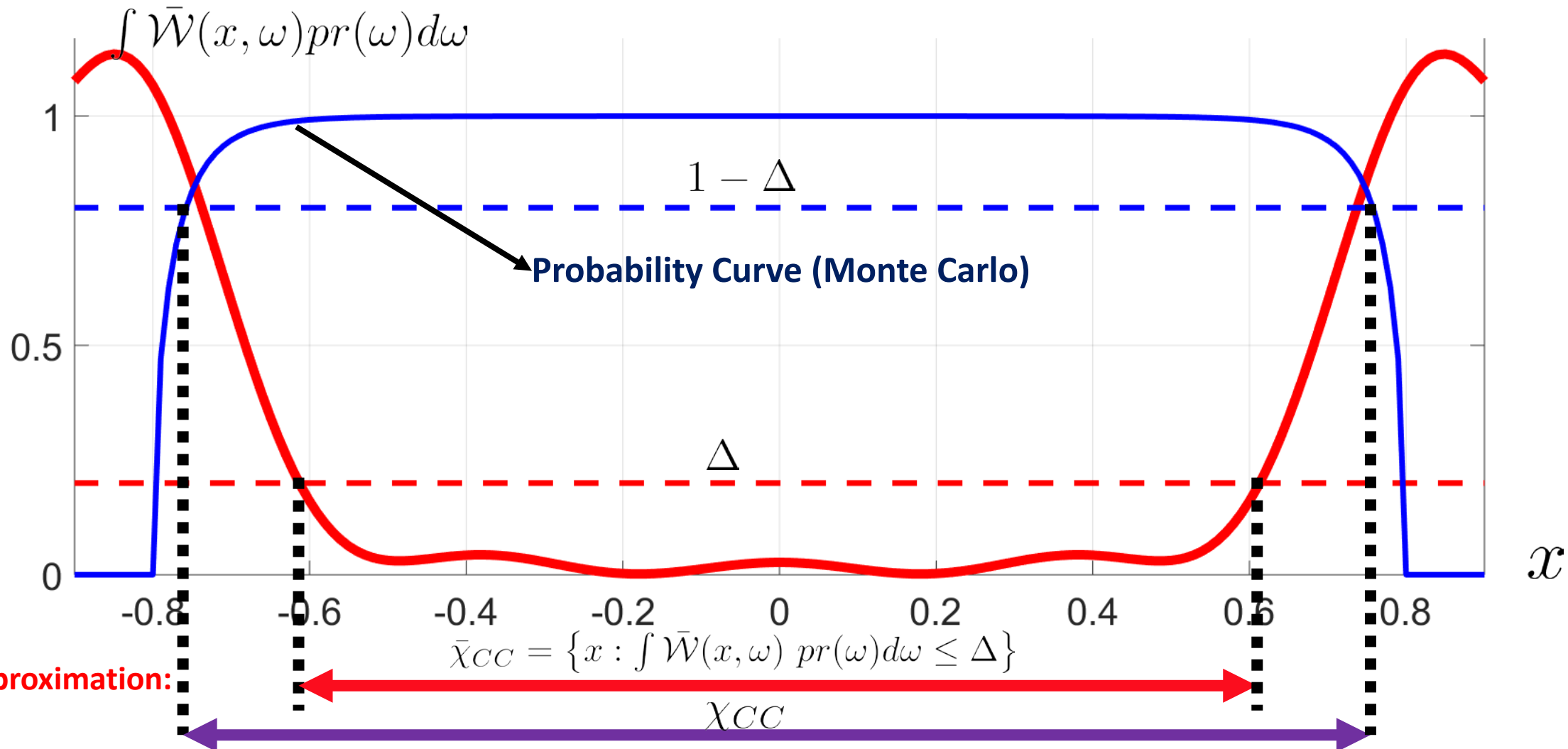
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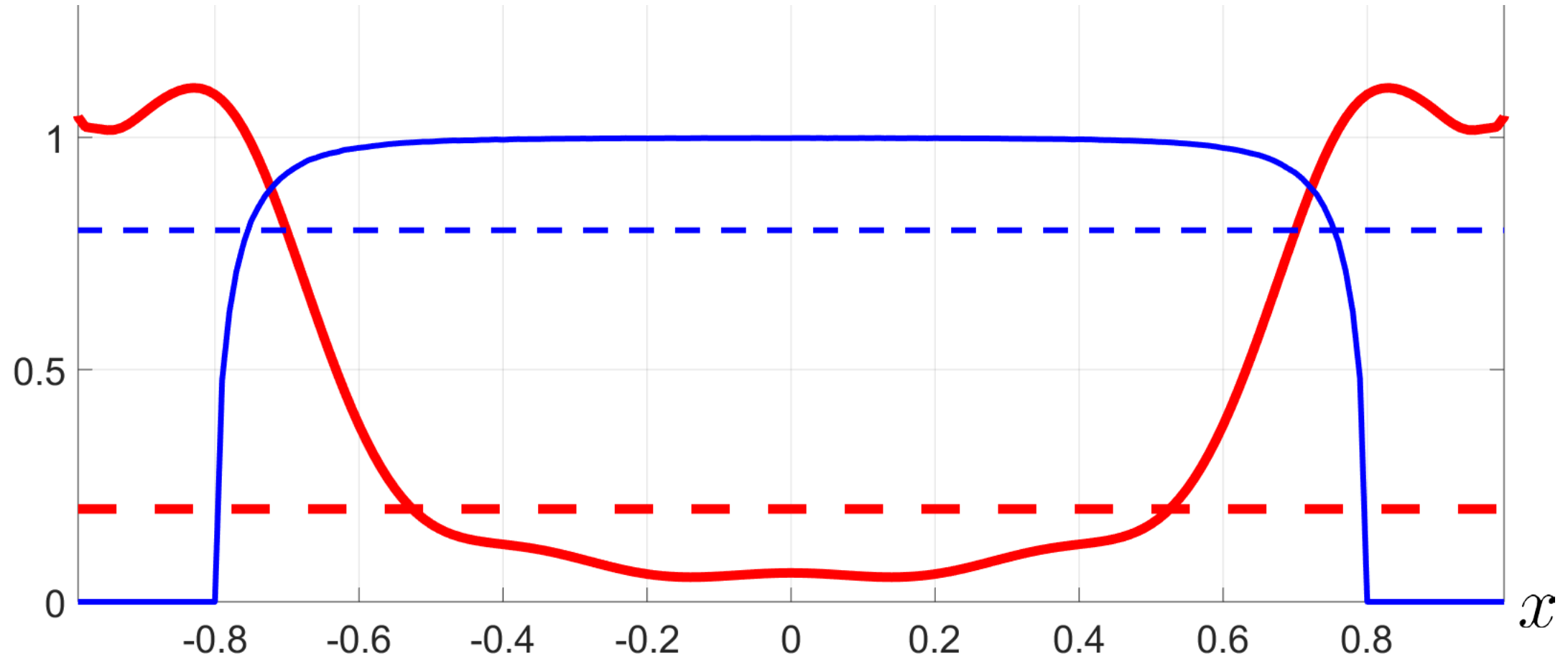
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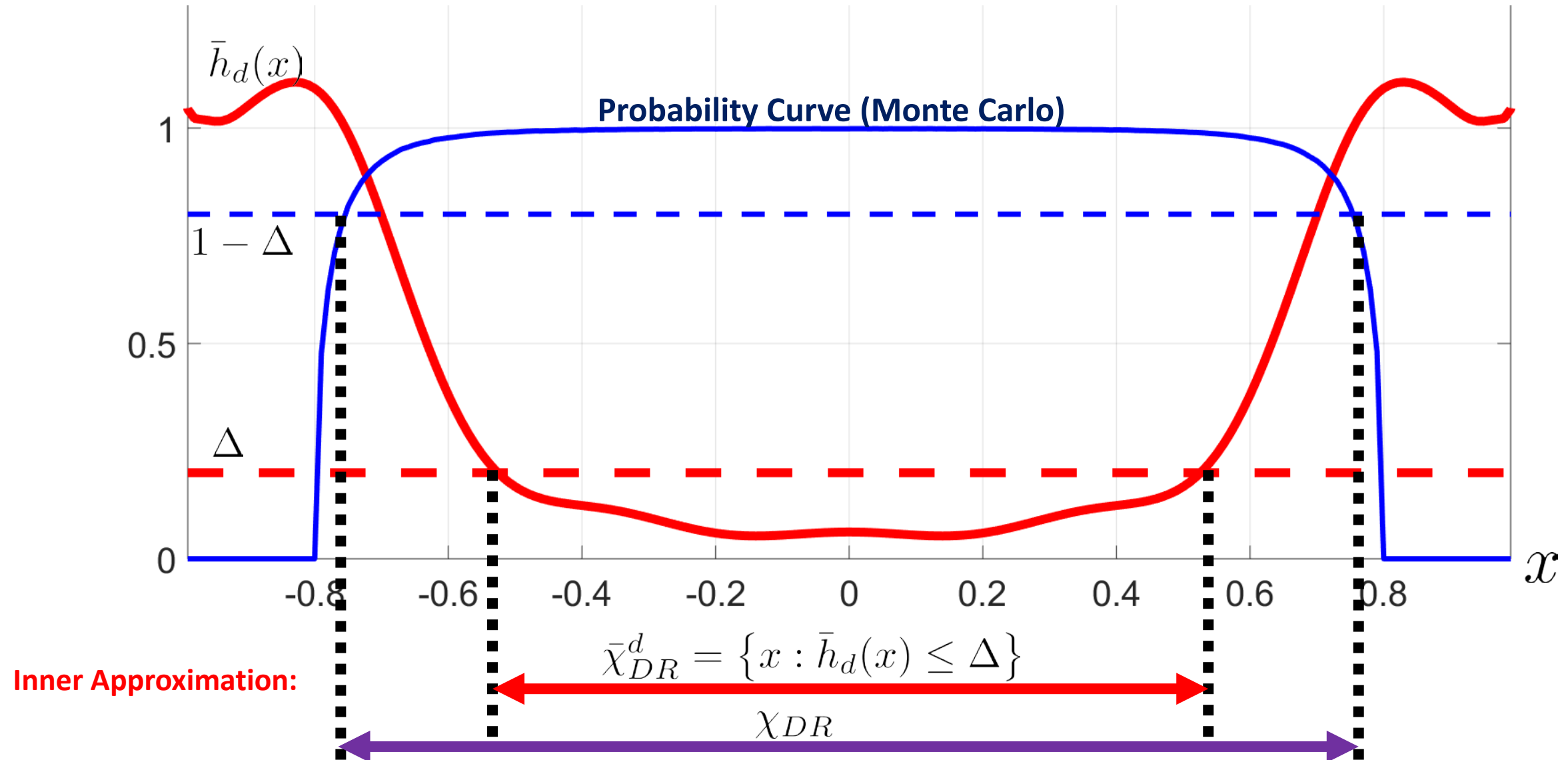
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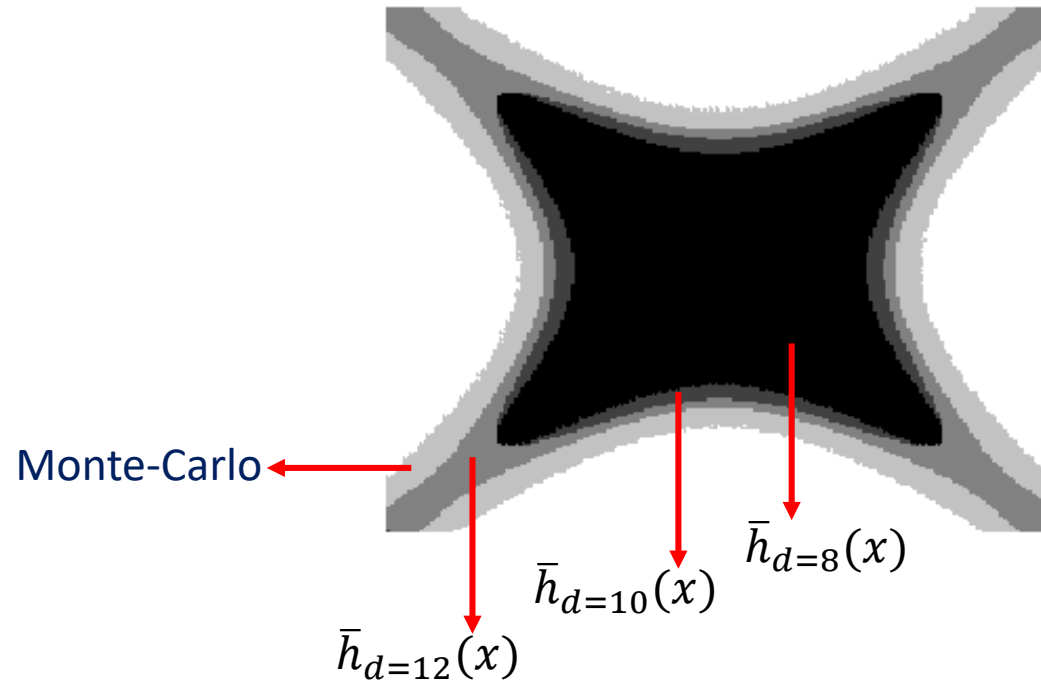
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## Example:

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## Example: Safe Control of Uncertain Nonlinear System

**Uncertain Nonlinear System:**

$$\begin{aligned}x_1(k+1) &= \omega(k)x_2(k) \\x_2(k+1) &= x_1(k)x_3(k) \\x_3(k+1) &= 1.2x_1(k) - 0.5x_2(k) + 2u(k)\end{aligned}$$

**Source of uncertainties:** Initial states  $(x_1(0), x_2(0), x_3(0))$  and disturbance  $\omega(k)$

**Unsafe Set:**

$$X_{obs} = \{ (x_1, x_2, x_3): 1^2 - \left(\frac{x_1 - 0.1}{0.2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{x_2 - 0.1}{0.2}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{x_3 - 0.4}{0.3}\right)^3 \geq 0 \}$$

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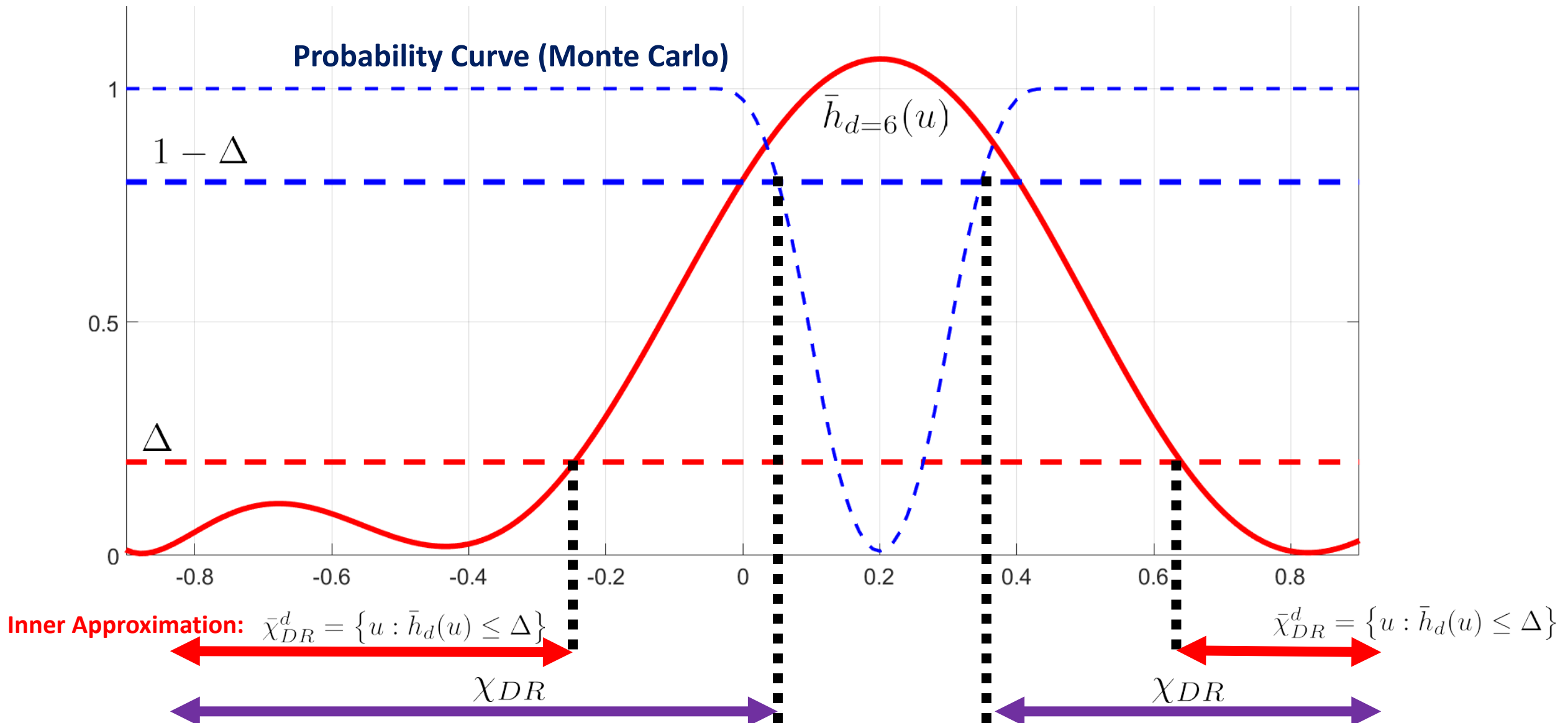
$$\forall u_k : \text{Prob}(x(k+1) \in X_{\text{safe}}) \geq 1 - \Delta$$

- $x(k) \sim \text{Uniform}[-0.1, 0.1]^3$
- For all probability distributions  
 $\omega(k) \sim N(m, \sigma), \quad m \in [-0.1 \ 0.1], \sigma \in [0.1 \ 0.3]$

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## Case 2:

**Coupled Distributionally Robust** Chance constrained set for control input at time  $k$  :

$$\forall u_k : \text{Prob}(x(k+1) \in X_{\text{safe}}) \geq 1 - \Delta$$

- For all probability distributions  
 $x_1(k) \sim N(m_1, \sigma_1),$   
 $x_2(k) \sim N(m_2, \sigma_2),$   
 $x_3(k) \sim N(m_3, \sigma_3),$   
 $\omega(k) \sim N(m_4, \sigma_4),$

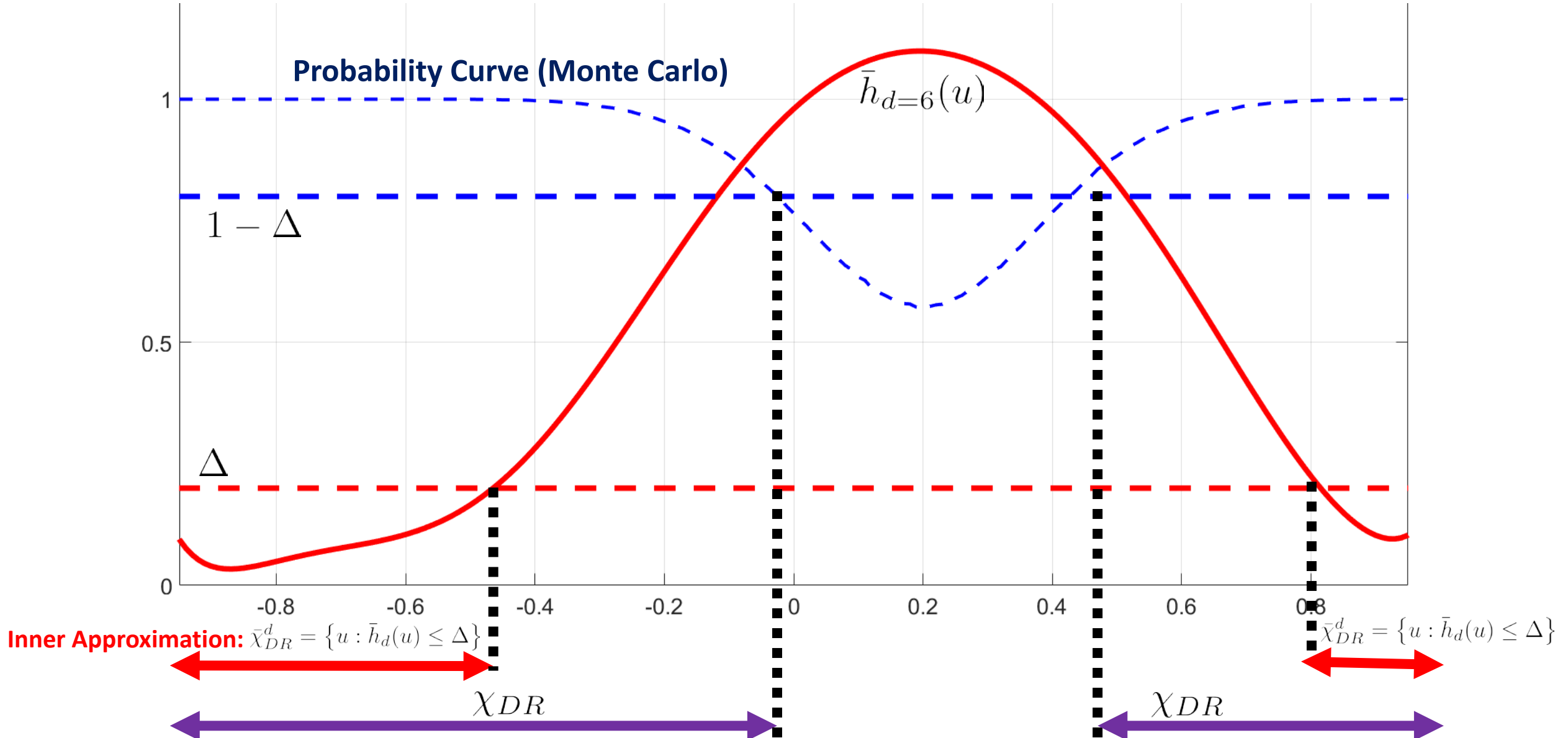
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Mean set:  $\{ (m_1, m_2, m_3, m_4) : 0.1 - m_1^2 - m_2^2 - m_3^2 - m_4^2 \geq 0 \}$

Sigma set:  $\{ (\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3, \sigma_4) : 0.1 - (\sigma_1 - 0.2)^2 - (\sigma_2 - 0.2)^2 - (\sigma_3 - 0.2)^2 - (\sigma_4 - 0.2)^2 \geq 0 \}$

# Example: Safe Control of Uncertain Nonlinear System

**Case 2:**  $\chi_{DR} = \{ \forall u_k \in [-1,1] : Prob(x(k+1) \in X_{safe}) \geq 1 - \Delta \}$



## Summary

### Distributionally Robust Optimization

$$\underset{x \in \mathbb{R}^n}{\text{minimize}} \quad p(x)$$

$$\text{subject to} \quad \omega \sim \text{pr}_a(\omega), \quad a \in \mathcal{A}$$

$$\text{Probability}_{\text{pr}_a(\omega)}(g_i(x, \omega) \geq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, n_g) \geq 1 - \Delta, \quad \forall a \in \mathcal{A}$$

- SOS Program

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- Based on worst case scenario  $\bar{h}_d(x) \geq \bar{h}(x, a) = \int \bar{\mathcal{W}}(x, \omega) \text{pr}_a(\omega) d\omega$  (Worst case probability distribution)

### Deterministic Optimization

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- Robust Games
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