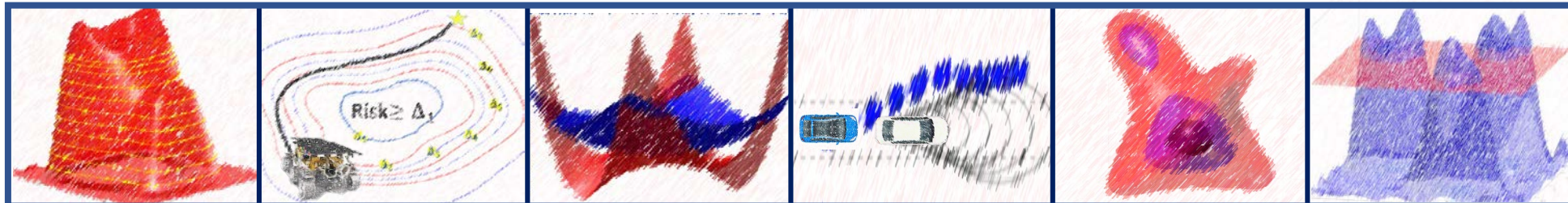


## Lecture 12

# Mean and Covariance Based Control and Safety Verification of Probabilistic Dynamical Systems

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Uncertainty set for second order moments (Covariance Matrix):  $\Sigma \in [\underline{\delta}I \preceq \Sigma \preceq \overline{\delta}I]$  for some given  $\underline{\delta}, \overline{\delta} > 0$

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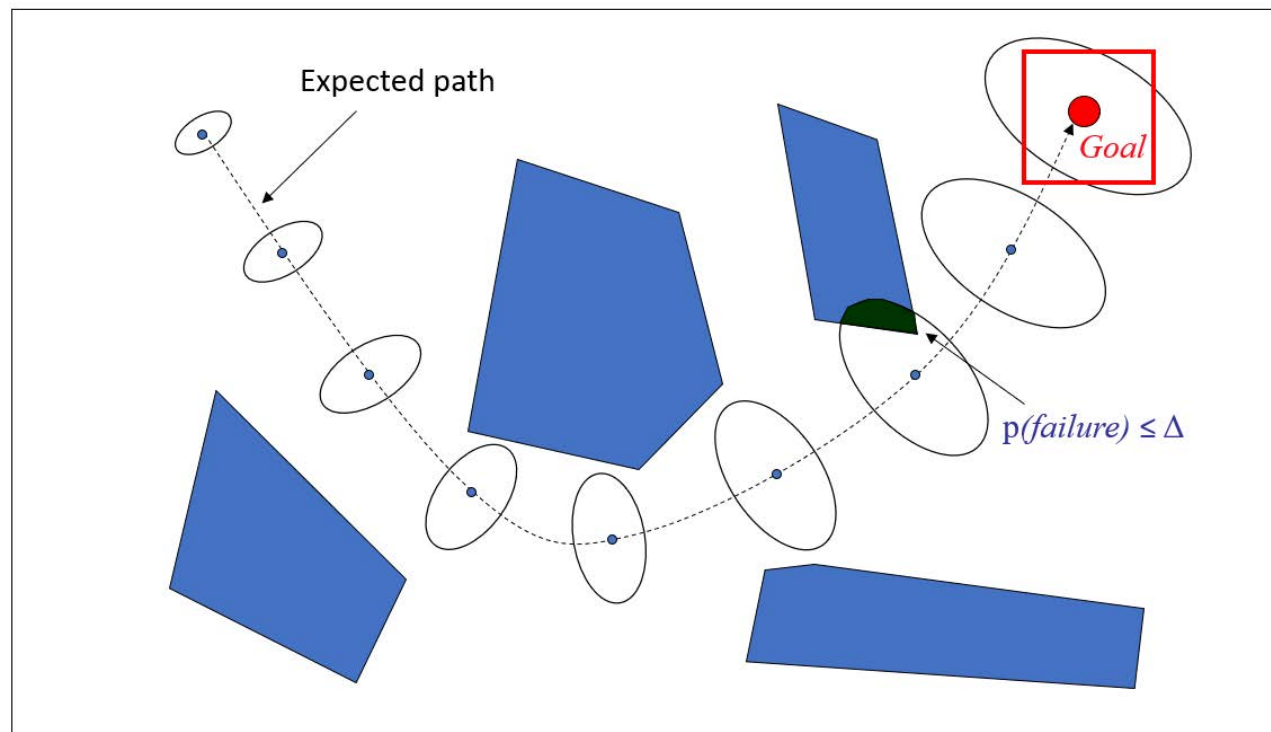
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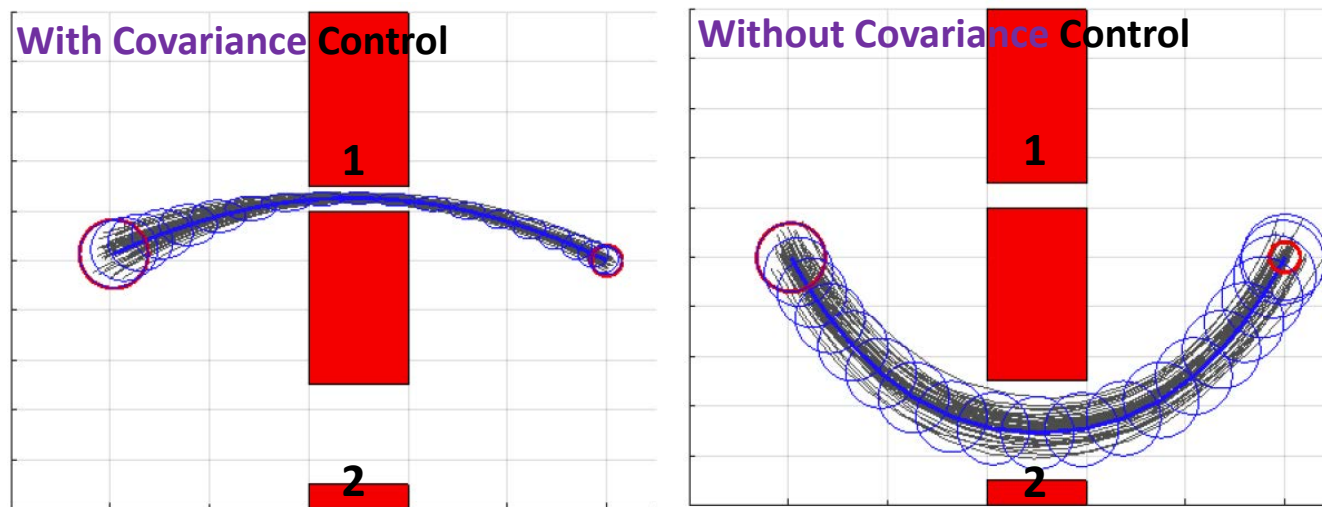
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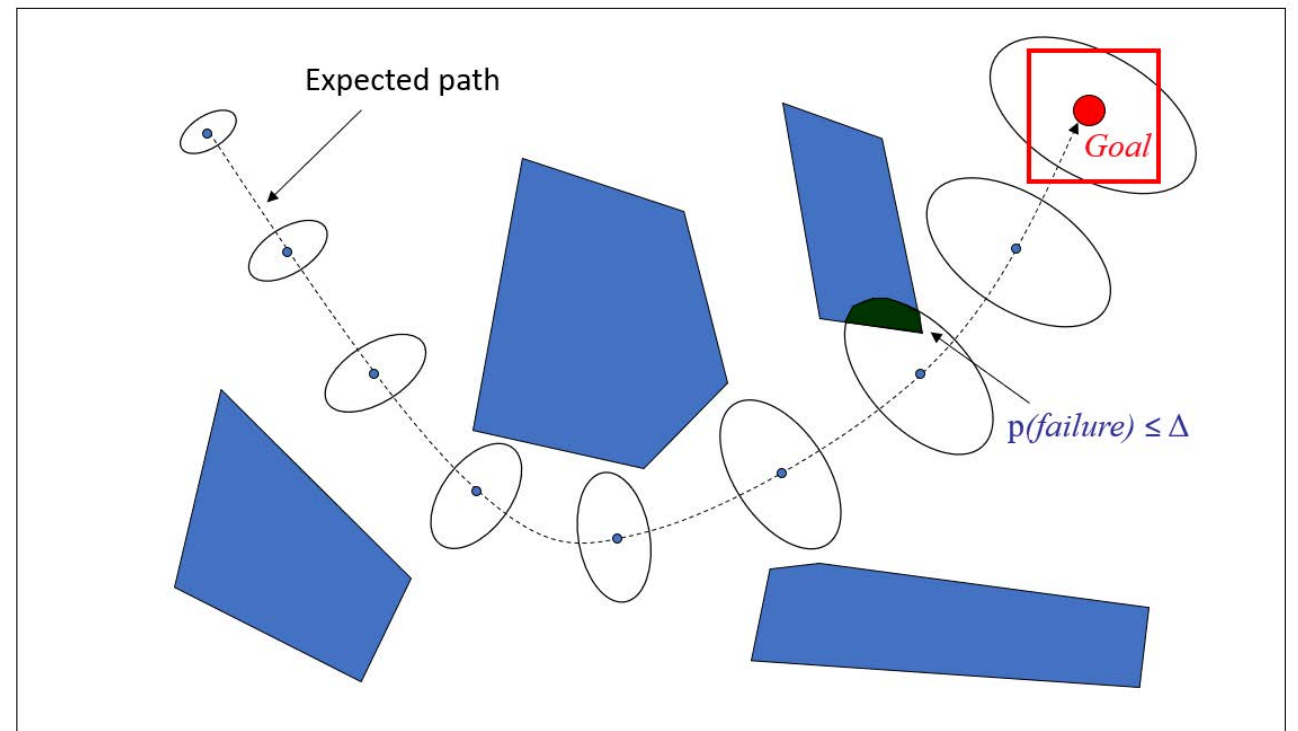
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- To solve the chance constrained control problem:

**Probabilistic Safety Constraints**  **Deterministic Linear Constraints In terms of (Mean & Variance) of  $x_k$**

# Probabilistic Safety Constraints

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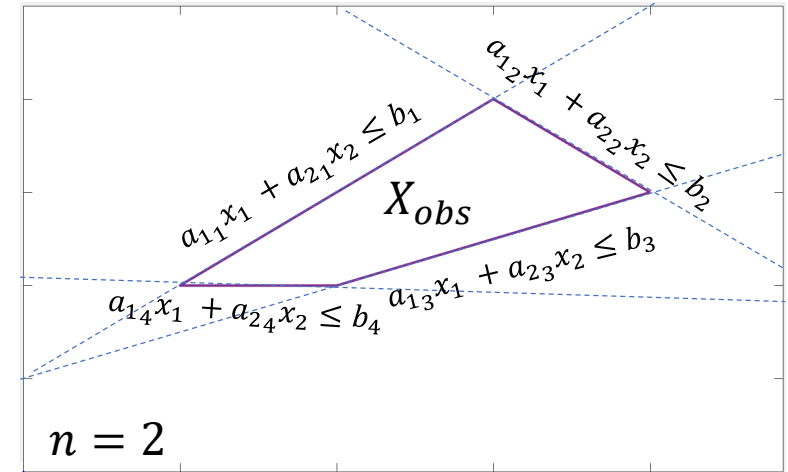
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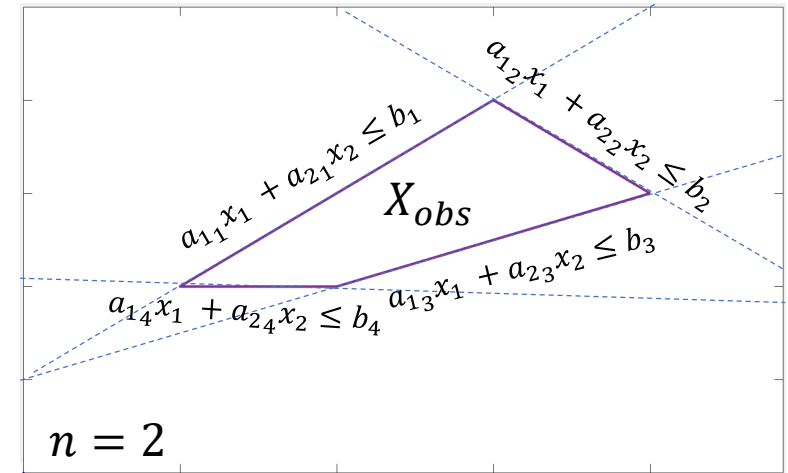
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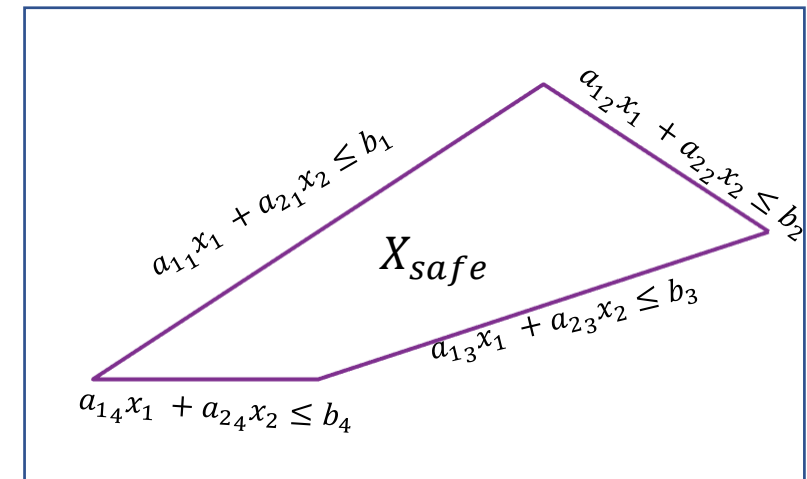
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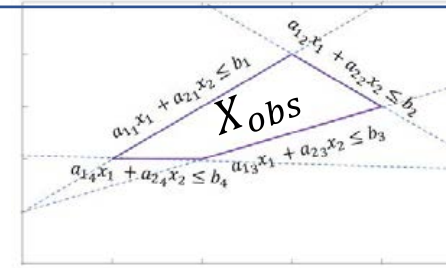


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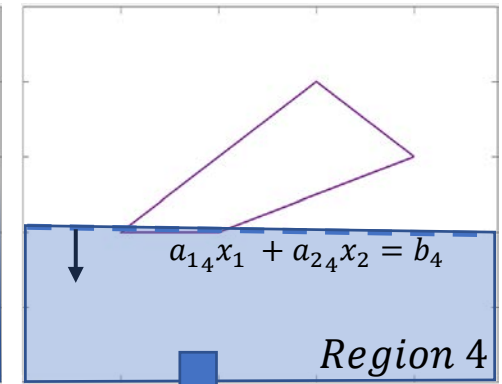
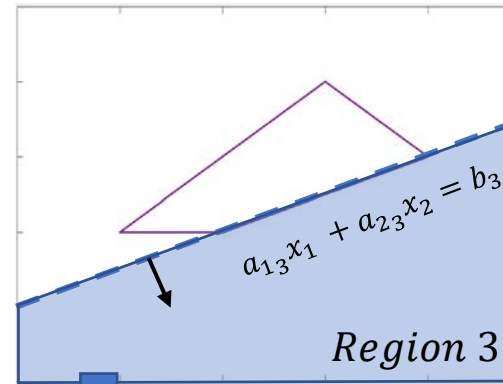
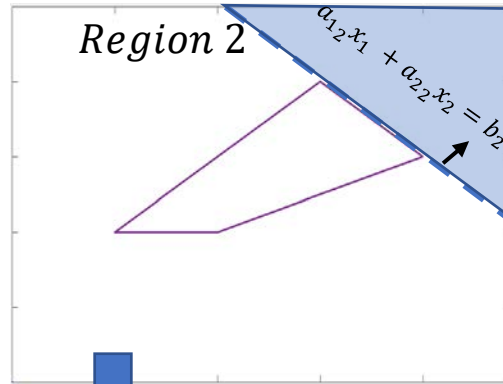
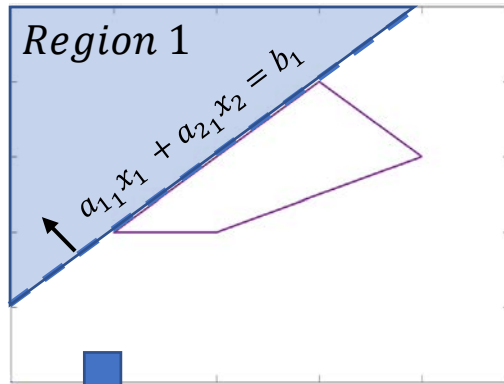
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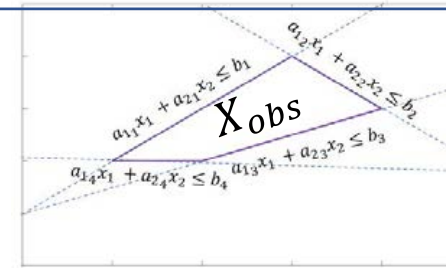
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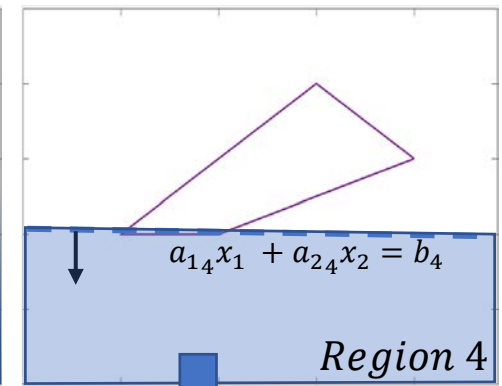
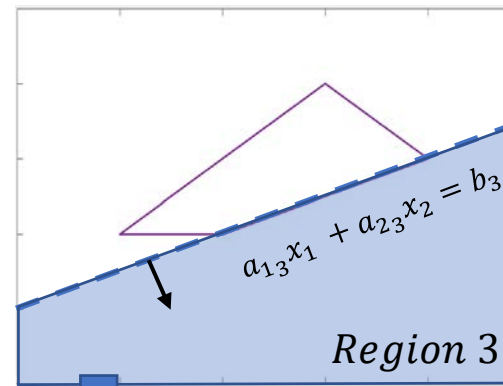
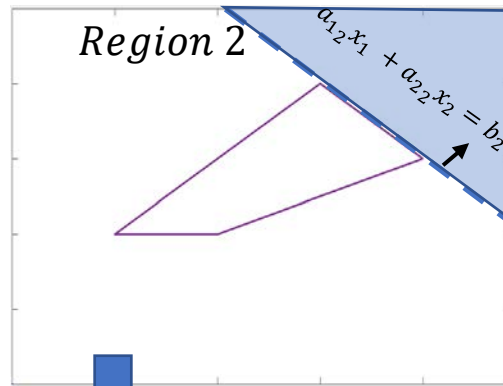
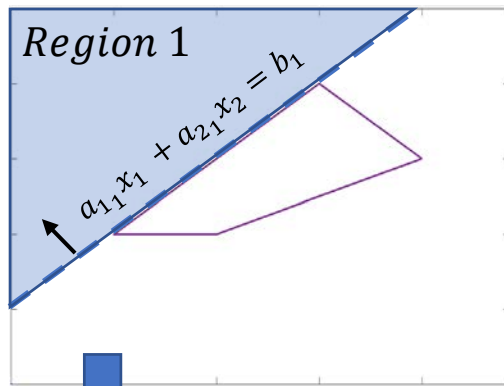
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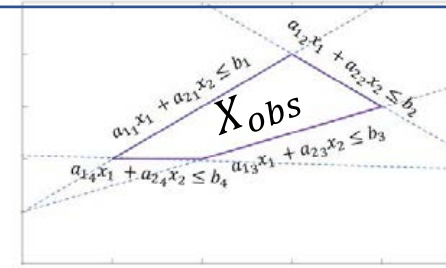
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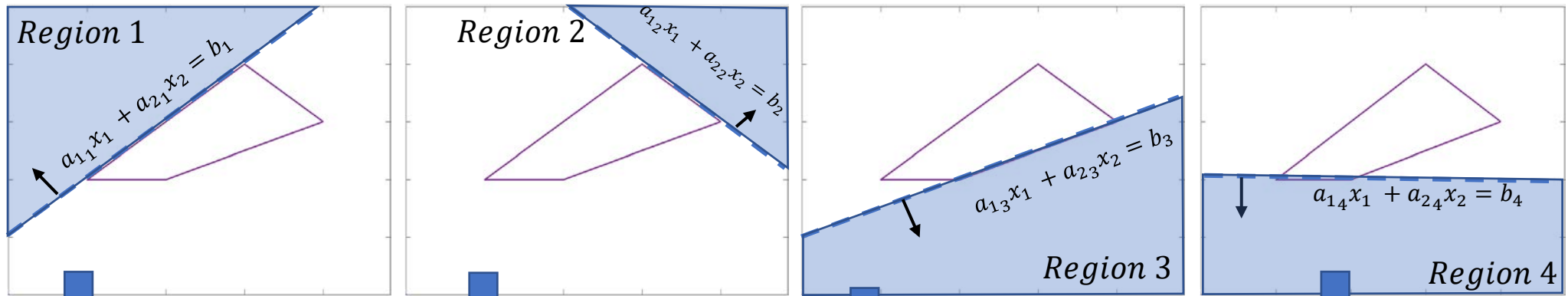
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- Disjunction of chance constraints:

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^{\ell} prob(a_{1i}x_1 + \dots + a_{ni}x_n \geq b_i) \geq 1 - \Delta_k$$

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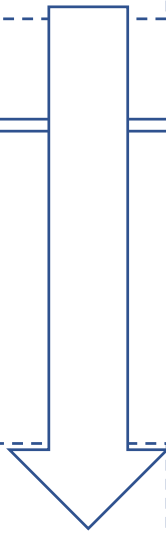
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- $\text{prob}(a_{1i} x_1 + \dots + a_{ni} x_n \geq b_i)$   **Replace**  Deterministic Linear Constraints



➤ To replace  $\text{prob}(a_{1i}x_1 + \dots + a_{ni}x_n \geq b_i)$  with deterministic constraints:

- Uncertainty propagation to obtain mean and variance of the  $x_k$
- Represent  $\text{prob}(a_{1i}x_1 + \dots + a_{ni}x_n \geq b_i)$  in terms of the mean and variance of  $x_k$

# Linear systems and Gaussian Uncertainty Propagation:

$$x_{k+1} = A_k x_k + B_{u_k} u_k + B_{\omega_k} \omega_k \quad x_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{x}_0, \Sigma_{x_0}^2) \quad \omega_k \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{\omega}, \Sigma_{\omega_k}^2)$$

- $x_1$  is a sum of normal distributions  $\omega_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{\omega}_0, \Sigma_{\omega_0}^2)$  and  $x_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{x}_0, \Sigma_{x_0}^2)$  and deterministic input  $u_k$ .  
Hence  $x_1 \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{x}_1, \Sigma_{x_1}^2)$
- At each time step  $k$ , states are normal  $x_k \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{x}_k, \Sigma_{x_k}^2)$

➤ In uncertainty propagation, we just need to obtain mean and variance of the states.

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➤ Mean:  $\bar{x}_{k+1} = E[x_{k+1}] = E[A_k x_k + B_{u_k} u_k + B_{\omega_k} \omega_k]$

- By the assumption that  $u_k$  is deterministic i.e.,  $E[u_k] = u_k$

$$\bar{x}_{k+1} = A_k \bar{x}_k + B_{u_k} u_k + B_{\omega_k} \bar{\omega}_k$$

- Linear in control input
- By recursion we can describe  $\bar{x}_k$  as a linear function of known  $\bar{x}_0, \bar{\omega}_k|_{k=0}^{k-1}$  and unknown  $u_k|_{k=0}^{k-1}$

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➤ **Variance:**  $\Sigma_{x_{k+1}}^2 = \mathbb{E}[(x_{k+1} - \mathbb{E}[x_{k+1}])^2]$

$$\mathbb{E}[x_k - \bar{x}_k] = 0 \quad \mathbb{E}[\omega_k - \bar{\omega}_k] = 0$$

$B_{u_k} u_k$  term in  $x_{k+1}$  and  $\bar{x}_{k+1}$  cancels out

- By the assumption that  $u_k$  is deterministic.

$$\Sigma_{x_{k+1}}^2 = A_k \Sigma_{x_k}^2 A_k^T + B_{\omega_k} \Sigma_{\omega_k}^2 B_{\omega_k}^T$$

- Independent of the **control input**.
- Hence, given **initial state variance** and **disturbance variance**, we can obtain the covariance of states at future time steps beforehand.



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Mean is a linear in function of control input

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Precompute the variance of the states over  $k = 1, \dots, T - 1$

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- At each time step  $k$ , we represent  $\text{prob}(a_{1_i}x_1 + \dots + a_{n_i}x_n \geq b_i)$  in terms of the mean  $\bar{x}_k$  and variance  $\Sigma_{x_k}^2$ .

We leverage on the properties of Gaussian random variables.

# Gaussian Linear Chance Constraints

## Case 1:

- **Univariate** chance constraint

Probability( $x \leq b$ )

$$x \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{x}, \Sigma_x^2)$$

$\bar{x}$  :mean

$\Sigma_x^2$  :variance

## Case 2:

- **Multivariate** chance constraint

Probability( $a_1x_1 + \dots + a_nx_n \leq b$ )  $\leq \Delta$

$$x \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{x}, \Sigma_x^2)$$

$\bar{x}$  :mean vector

$\Sigma_x^2$  :Covariance Matrix

# Univariate Gaussian Linear Chance Constraints

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• Normal random variable:       $x \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{x}, \Sigma_x^2)$       Pdf:  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\Sigma_x^2}} e^{-\frac{(x-\bar{x})^2}{2\Sigma_x^2}}$        $\bar{x}$  :mean       $\Sigma_x^2$  :variance       $\Sigma_x$  :deviation

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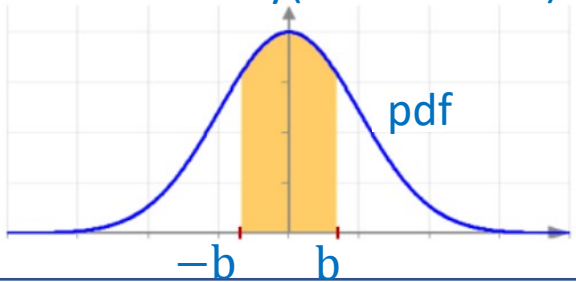
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• Standard Normal random variable:  
 $x \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$       • pdf:  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}$       • CDF:  $\phi(b) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^b e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx$       • error function:  $erf(b) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^b e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx$

• CDF and erf :  
 $\phi(b) = \frac{1}{2} [1 + erf(\frac{b}{\sqrt{2}})]$  =Probability(  $x \leq b$  )

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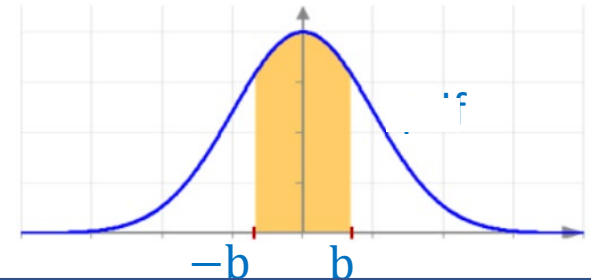
$x \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$  • pdf:  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}$  • CDF:  $\phi(b) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^b e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx$  • error function:  $\text{erf}(b) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^b e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx$

: Probability( $x \leq b$ )

: Probability( $-b \leq x \leq b$ )

- CDF and erf :

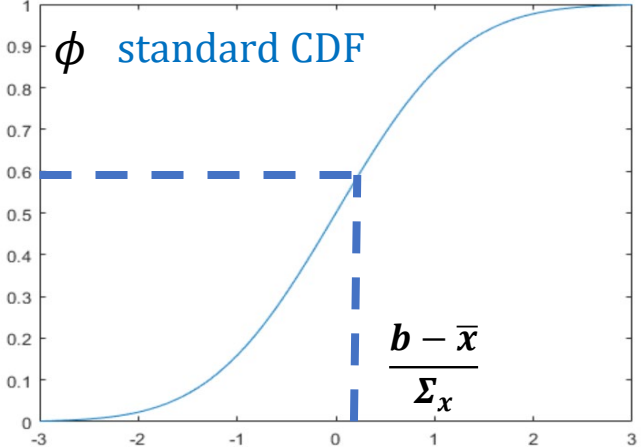
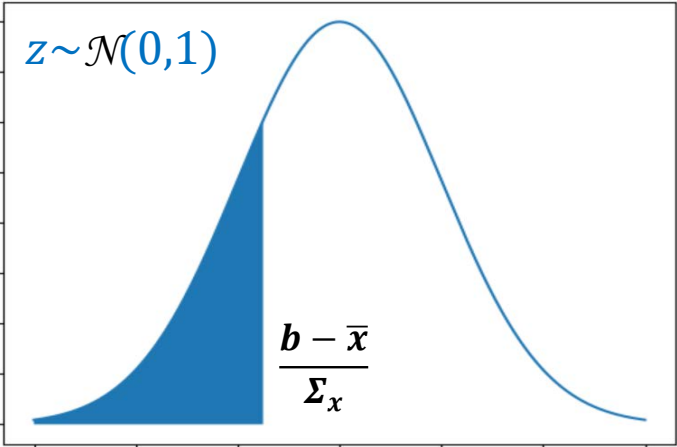
$$\phi(b) = \frac{1}{2} \left[ 1 + \text{erf}\left(\frac{b}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \right] = \text{Probability}(x \leq b)$$



- We can represent any normal distribution in terms of a **standard** Normal distribution  $x \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{x}, \Sigma_x^2) \longrightarrow z = \frac{x - \bar{x}}{\Sigma_x} \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$
- $x = \bar{x} + \Sigma_x z$   $z \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$  deviation

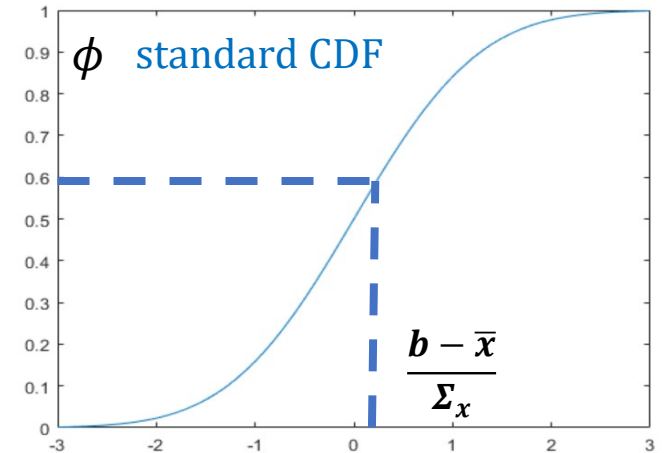
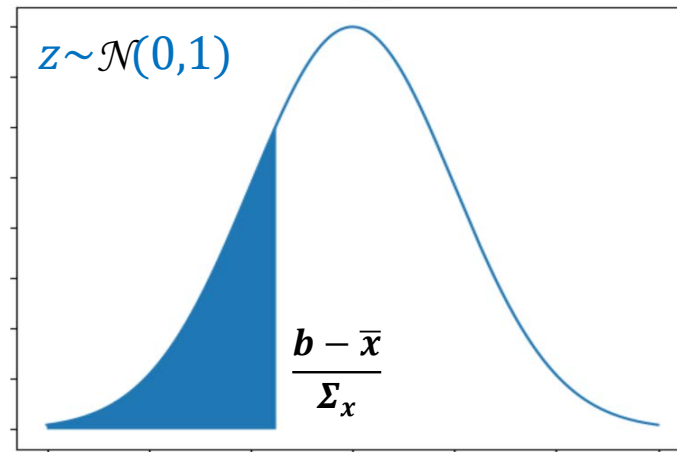
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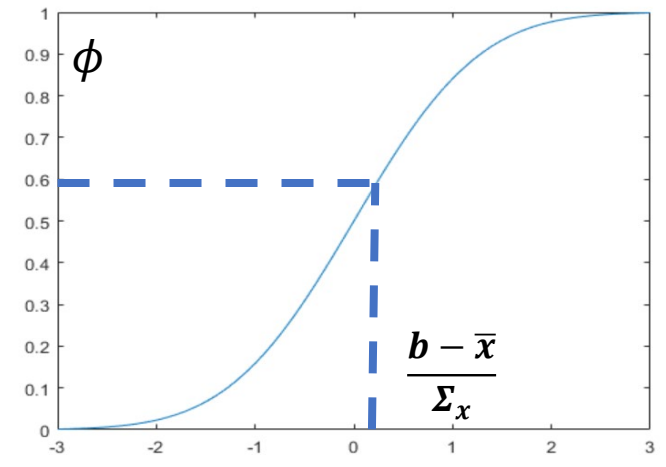
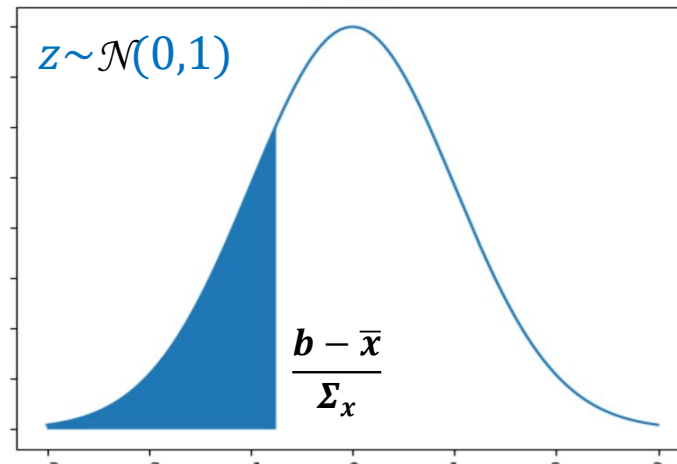
- Probability( $x \leq b$ )  $\leq \Delta$       Chance constraint

•  $\Phi\left(\frac{b - \bar{x}}{\Sigma_x}\right) \leq \Delta \longrightarrow \frac{b - \bar{x}}{\Sigma_x} \leq \Phi^{-1}(\Delta) \longrightarrow \bar{x} \geq b - \Sigma_x \Phi^{-1}(\Delta)$       Chance constraint in terms mean and variance

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- Probability( $x \leq b$ )  $\leq \Delta$       **Chance constraint**

$$\frac{1}{2} \left[1 + \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{b - \bar{x}}{\sqrt{2}\Sigma_x}\right)\right] \leq \Delta \quad \rightarrow \quad \operatorname{erf}\left(\frac{b - \bar{x}}{\sqrt{2}\Sigma_x}\right) \leq 2\Delta - 1 \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{b - \bar{x}}{\sqrt{2}\Sigma_x} \leq \operatorname{erf}^{-1}(2\Delta - 1) \quad \rightarrow \quad \bar{x} \geq b - \sqrt{2}\Sigma_x \operatorname{erf}^{-1}(2\Delta - 1)$$

Chance constraint in terms mean and variance:  $\operatorname{erf}^{-1}(-a) = -\operatorname{erf}^{-1}(a) \rightarrow \bar{x} \geq b + \sqrt{2}\Sigma_x \operatorname{erf}^{-1}(1 - 2\Delta)$

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# Univariate Gaussian Linear Chance Constraints

## Chance constraint

➤ Probability(  $x \leq b$  )  $\leq \Delta$

$$x \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{x}, \Sigma_x^2)$$



## linear constraint

•  $\bar{x} \geq b - \Sigma_x \phi^{-1}(\Delta)$  ( or  $\bar{x} \geq b + \sqrt{2}\Sigma_x \text{erf}^{-1}(1 - 2\Delta)$  )

- For a given risk level  $\Delta$ , constraints

$$\text{“ } \bar{x} \geq b - \Sigma_x \phi^{-1}(\Delta) \text{”}$$

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are linear in  $(\bar{x}, \Sigma_x)$ .

# Multivariate Gaussian Linear Chance Constraints

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• Probability( $a_1x_1 + \dots + a_nx_n \leq b$ ) = Probability( $y \leq b$ )

$y$  is a linear sum of Gaussian random variables       $y \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{y}, \Sigma_y^2)$

Mean       $\bar{y} = a_1\bar{x}_1 + \dots + a_n\bar{x}_n$

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# Multivariate Gaussian Linear Chance Constraints

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$$( \text{ or } a_1\bar{x}_1 + \dots + a_n\bar{x}_n \geq b + \sqrt{2[a_1, \dots, a_n]^T \Sigma_x^2 [a_1, \dots, a_n]} \text{erf}^{-1}(1 - 2\Delta) )$$

- For a given risk level  $\Delta$  and **covariance matrix**  $\Sigma_x^2$ , constraints

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are linear in mean vector  $[\bar{x}_1, \dots, \bar{x}_n]$ .

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$$\phi^{-1}(-a) = -\phi^{-1}(1 - a)$$



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## Chance Constrained Trajectory Optimization

- Given Normal distributions of uncertainties, goal state  $x_G$ , and risk levels  $\Delta_k$ , Find  $u_k, k = 0, \dots, T - 1$

$$\min E[J(x_k, u_k)]$$

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$$\text{prob}(x_k \notin \underbrace{\bigcap_{i=1}^{\ell} (a_{1i}x_1 + \dots + a_{ni}x_n < b_i)}_{X_{obs}}) \geq 1 - \Delta_k \quad k = 1, \dots, T - 1$$

$$E[x_T] = x_G$$

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- $\text{prob}(a_{1i}x_1 + \dots + a_{ni}x_n \geq b_i)$   **Replace**  Deterministic Linear Constraints

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$$\text{prob}(x_k \notin \bigcap_{i=1}^{\ell} (a_{1i} x_1 + \dots + a_{ni} x_n < b_i)) \geq 1 - \Delta_k \quad \longrightarrow \quad \bigcup_{i=1}^{\ell} \text{prob}(a_{1i} x_1 + \dots + a_{ni} x_n \geq b_i) \geq 1 - \Delta_k \quad k = 1, \dots, T - 1$$

### ➤ Disjunctive Linear Program

$$\min_{[u_0, \dots, u_{T-1}]} E[J(x_k, u_k)]$$

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# Chance Constrained Trajectory Optimization

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Linear in control

Precomputed using covariance dynamics

Known

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# Chance Constrained Trajectory Optimization

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$$E[x_T] = x_G$$

Disjunctive  
Linear Program



• Assign integer (0/1) variable  
for each constraint



Mixed Integer Linear Program (MILP)

**solve**



Gurobi solver

## Chance Constrained Trajectory Optimization

Instead of working with  $prob(x_k \notin \underbrace{\bigcap_{i=1}^{\ell} (a_{1i}x_1 + \dots + a_{ni}x_n < b_i)}_{X_{obs}})) \geq 1 - \Delta_k$

we can work with  $prob(x_k \in \underbrace{\bigcap_{i=1}^{\ell} (a_{1i}x_1 + \dots + a_{ni}x_n < b_i)}_{X_{obs}}) \leq \Delta_k$



## Chance Constrained Trajectory Optimization

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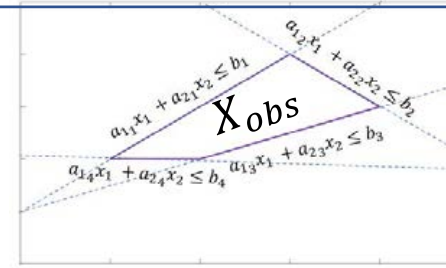
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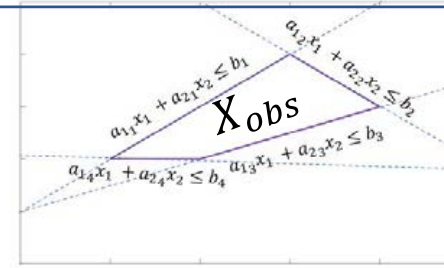
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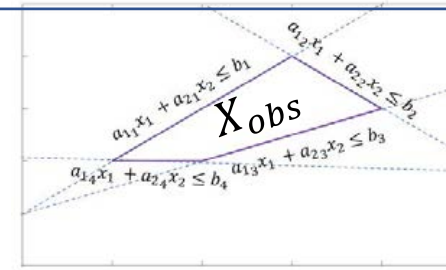
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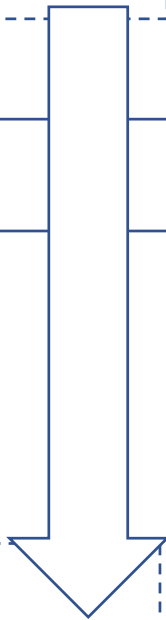
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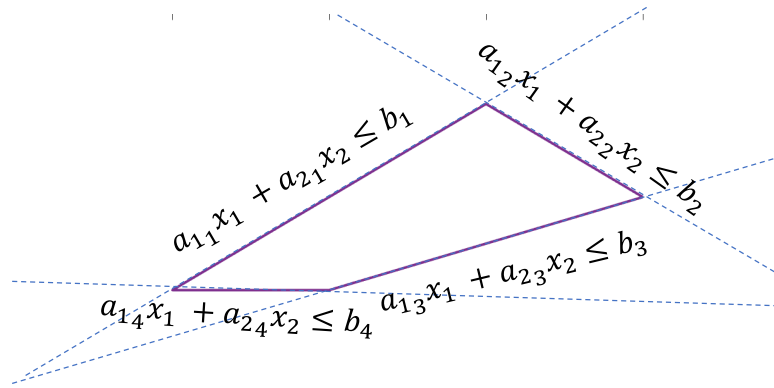
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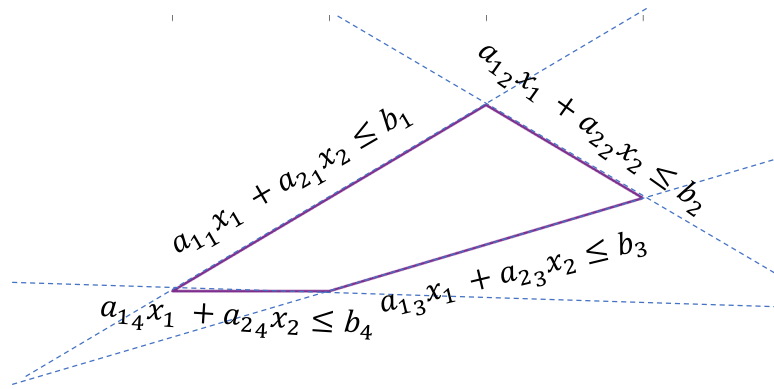


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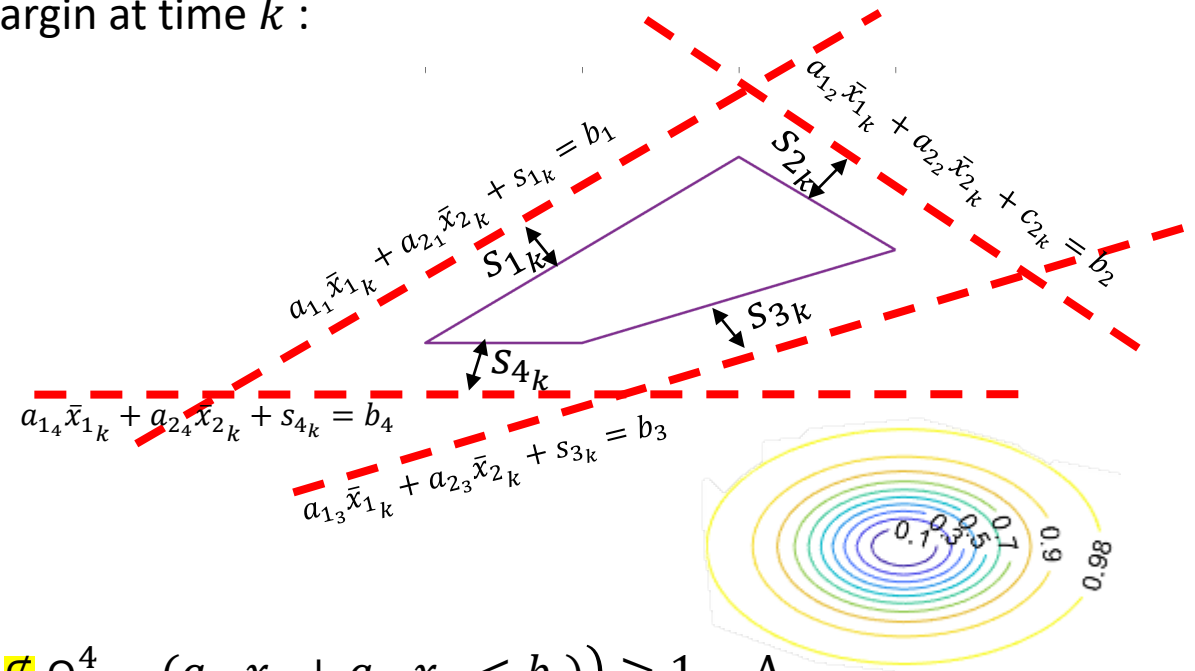
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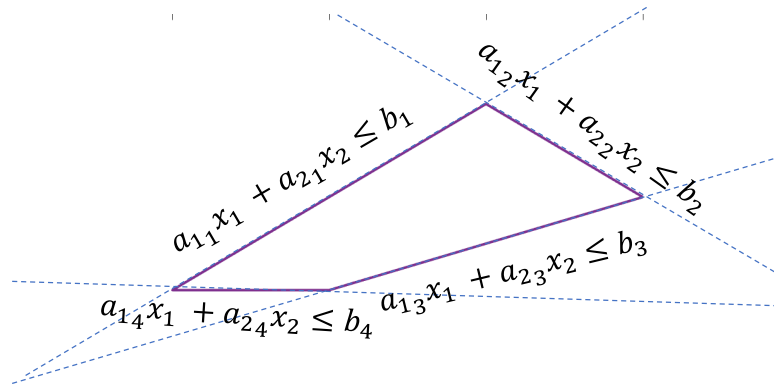
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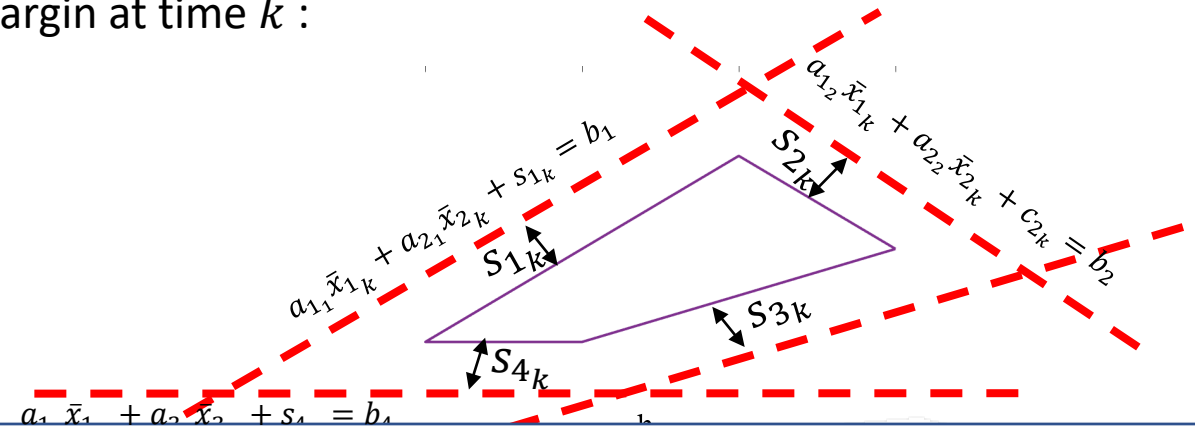
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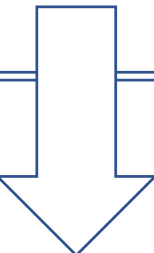


Mixed Integer Linear Program (MILP)

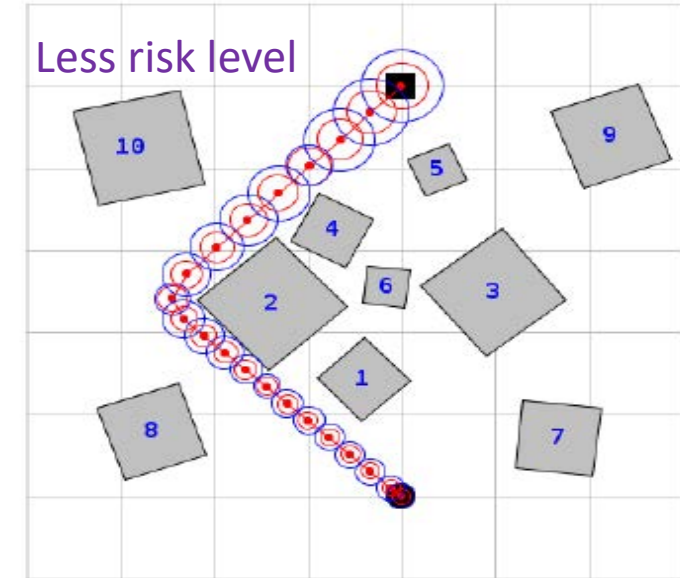
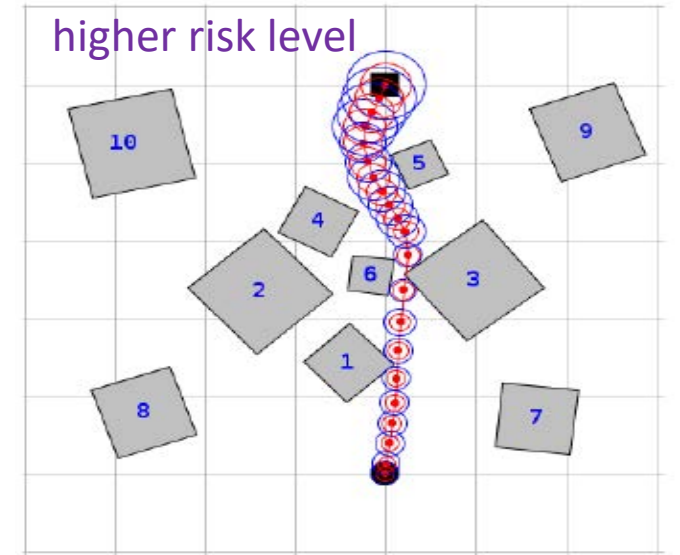
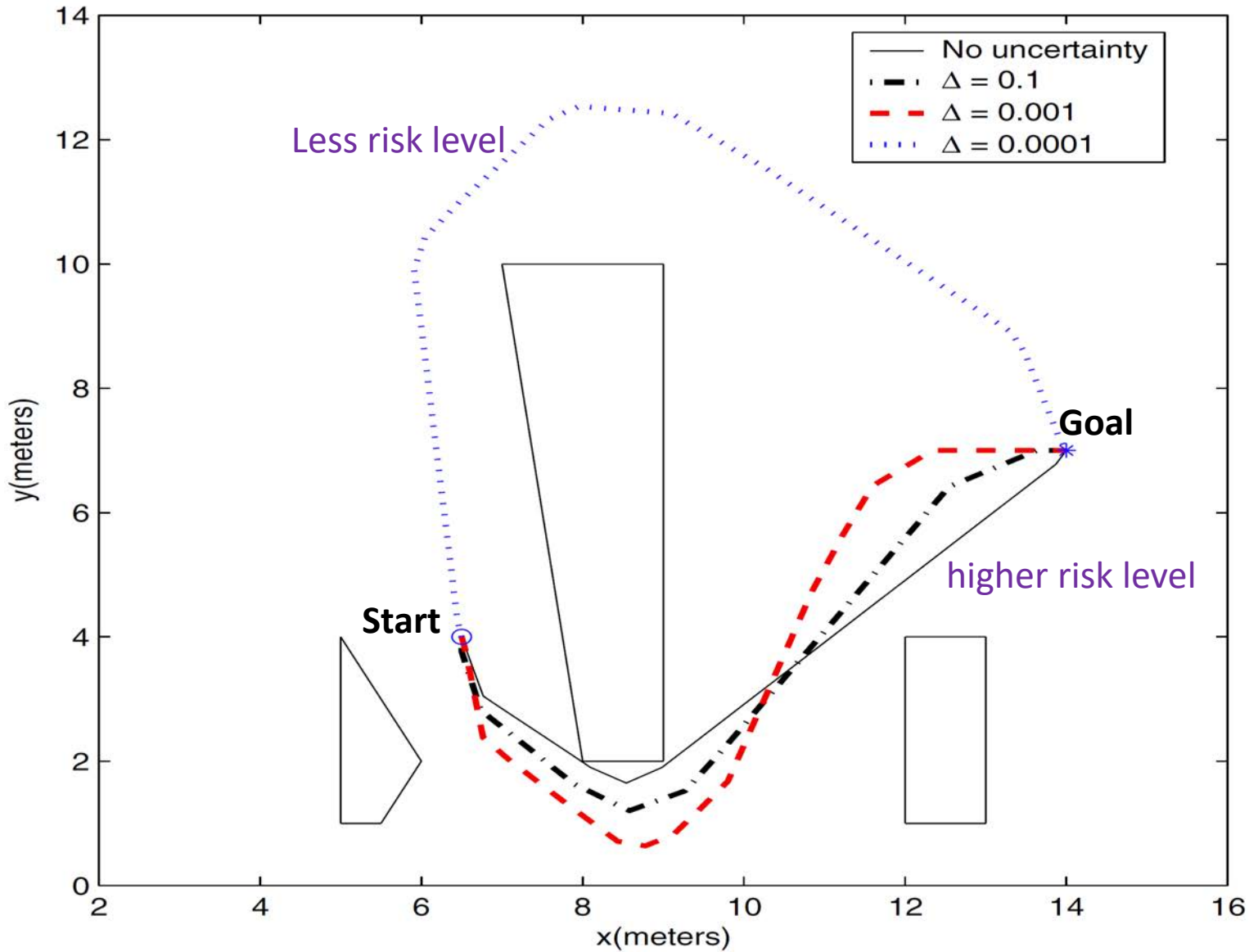
**solve**



Gurobi solver



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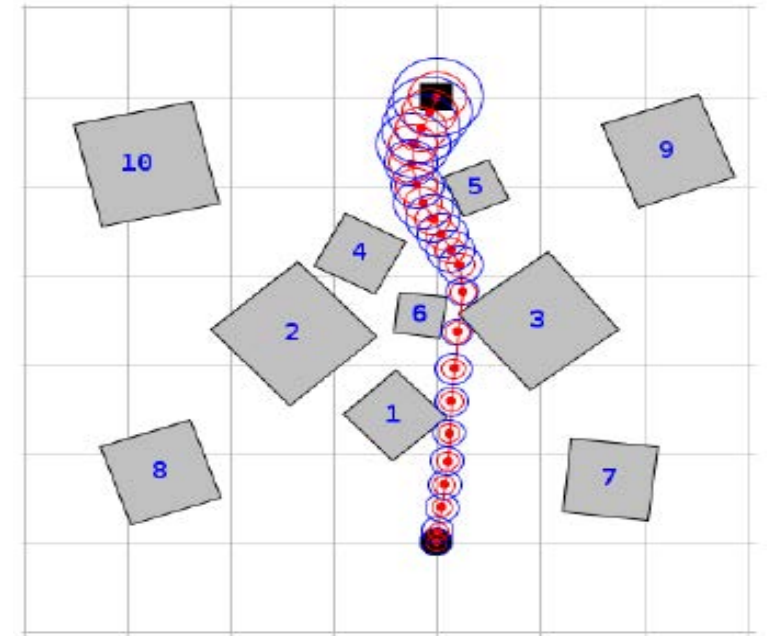
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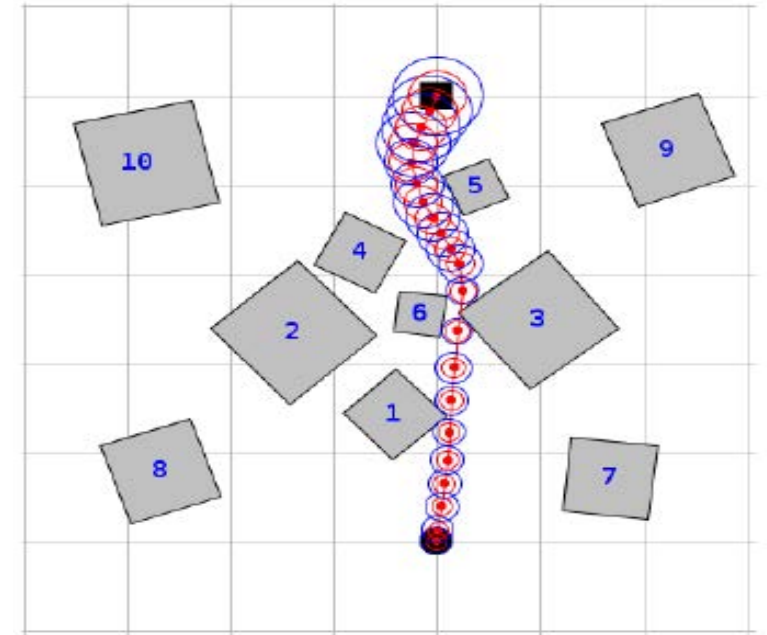


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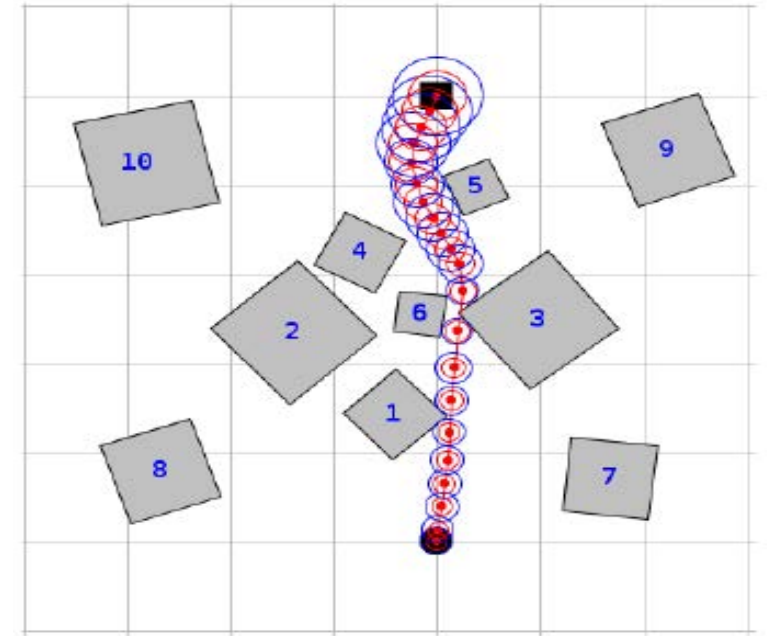


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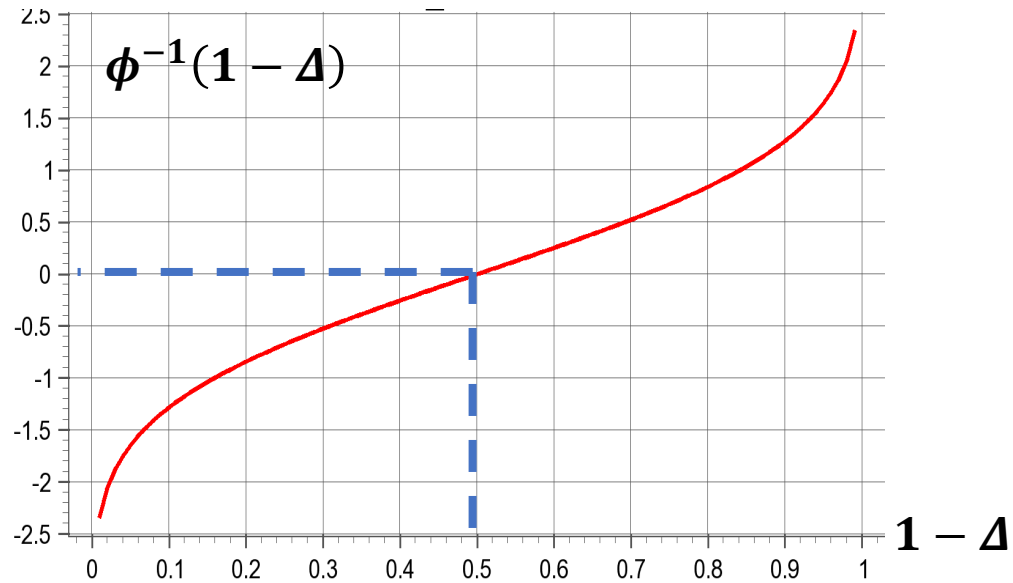
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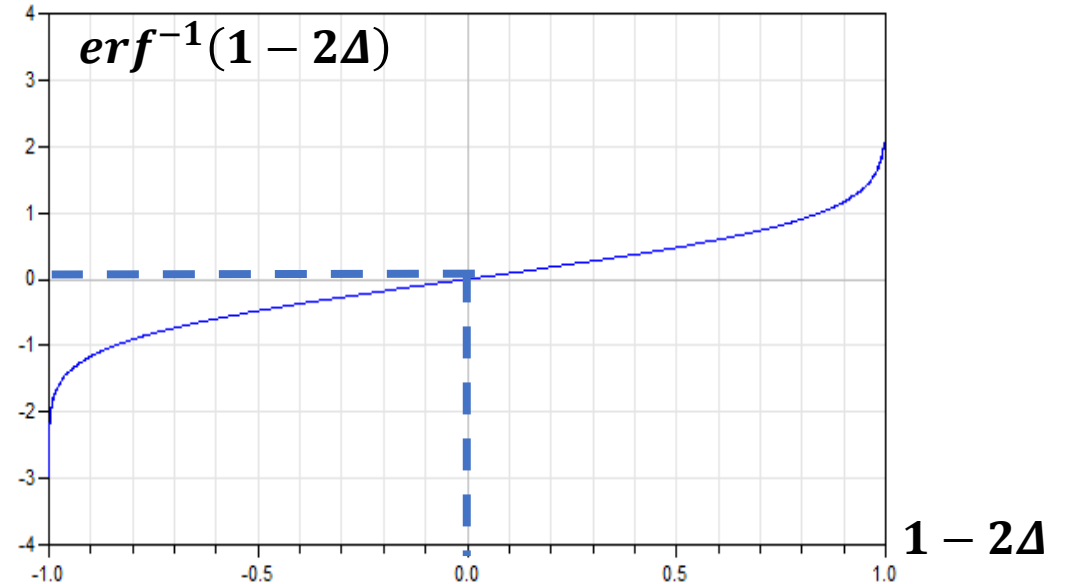
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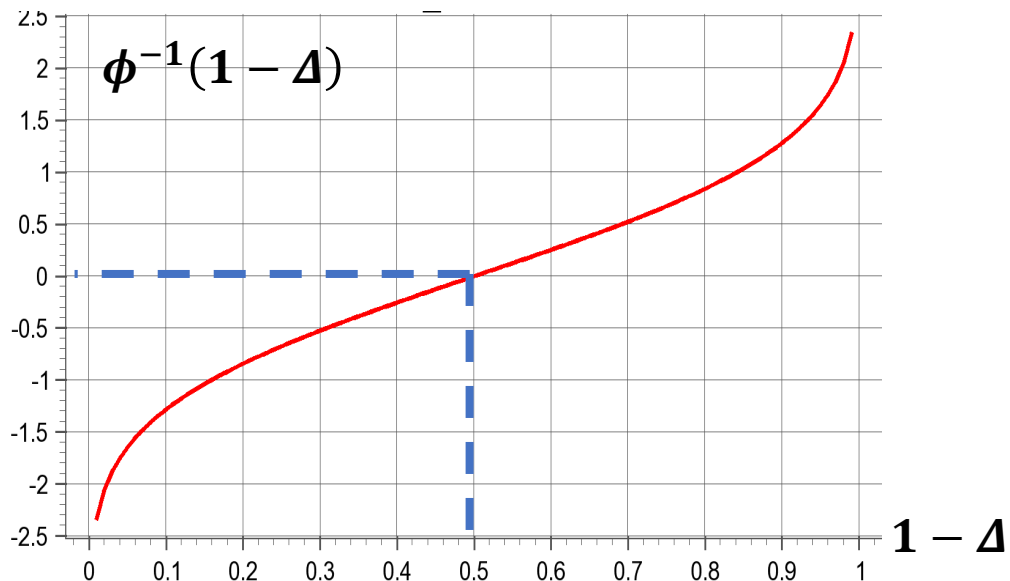
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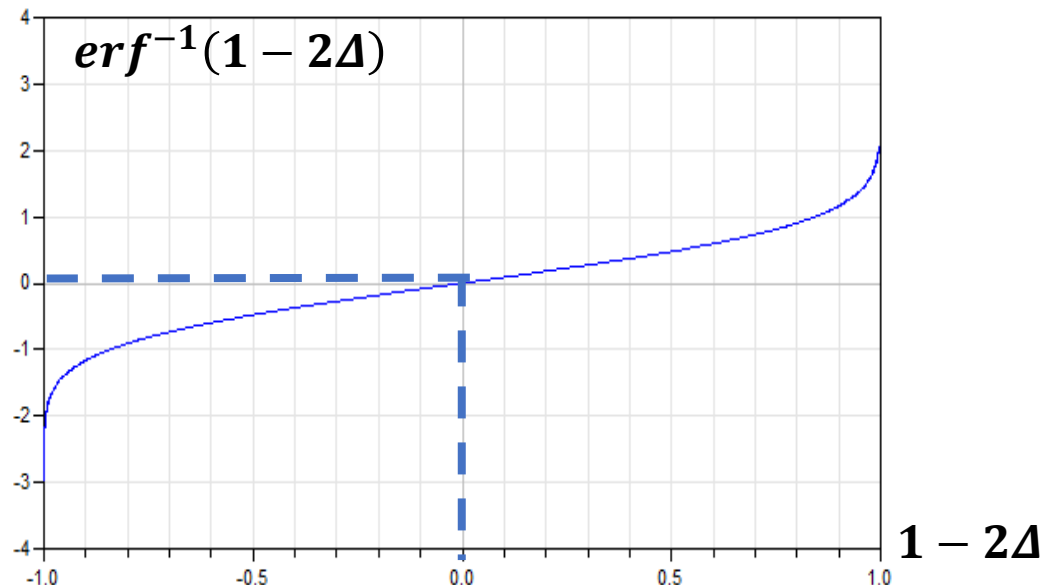
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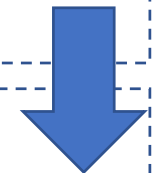
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**Convex** constraints in terms of  $\Delta_k$  and mean  $\bar{x}_k$ :

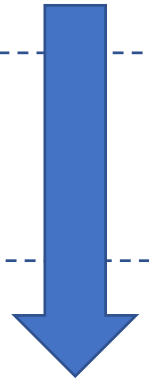
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Time steps

$$\sum_{k=1}^{T-1} \sum_{j=1}^M \Delta_{jk} \leq \Delta$$

$$\Delta_{jk} \leq 0.5$$



# Chance Constrained Trajectory Optimization

## ➤ Disjunctive Linear Program

$$\min E[J(x_k, u_k)]$$

$$[u_0, \dots, u_{T-1}]$$

$$s. t. \quad \bar{x}_{k+1} = A_k \bar{x}_k + B_{u_k} u_k + B_{\omega_k} \bar{\omega}_k \quad \Sigma_{x_{k+1}}^2 = A_k \Sigma_{x_k}^2 A_k^T + B_{\omega_k} \Sigma_{\omega_k}^2 B_{\omega_k}^T \quad E[x_T] = x_G$$

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Disjunctive  
Linear Program



• Assign integer (0/1) variable  
for each constraint



Mixed Integer Linear Program (MILP)

**solve**



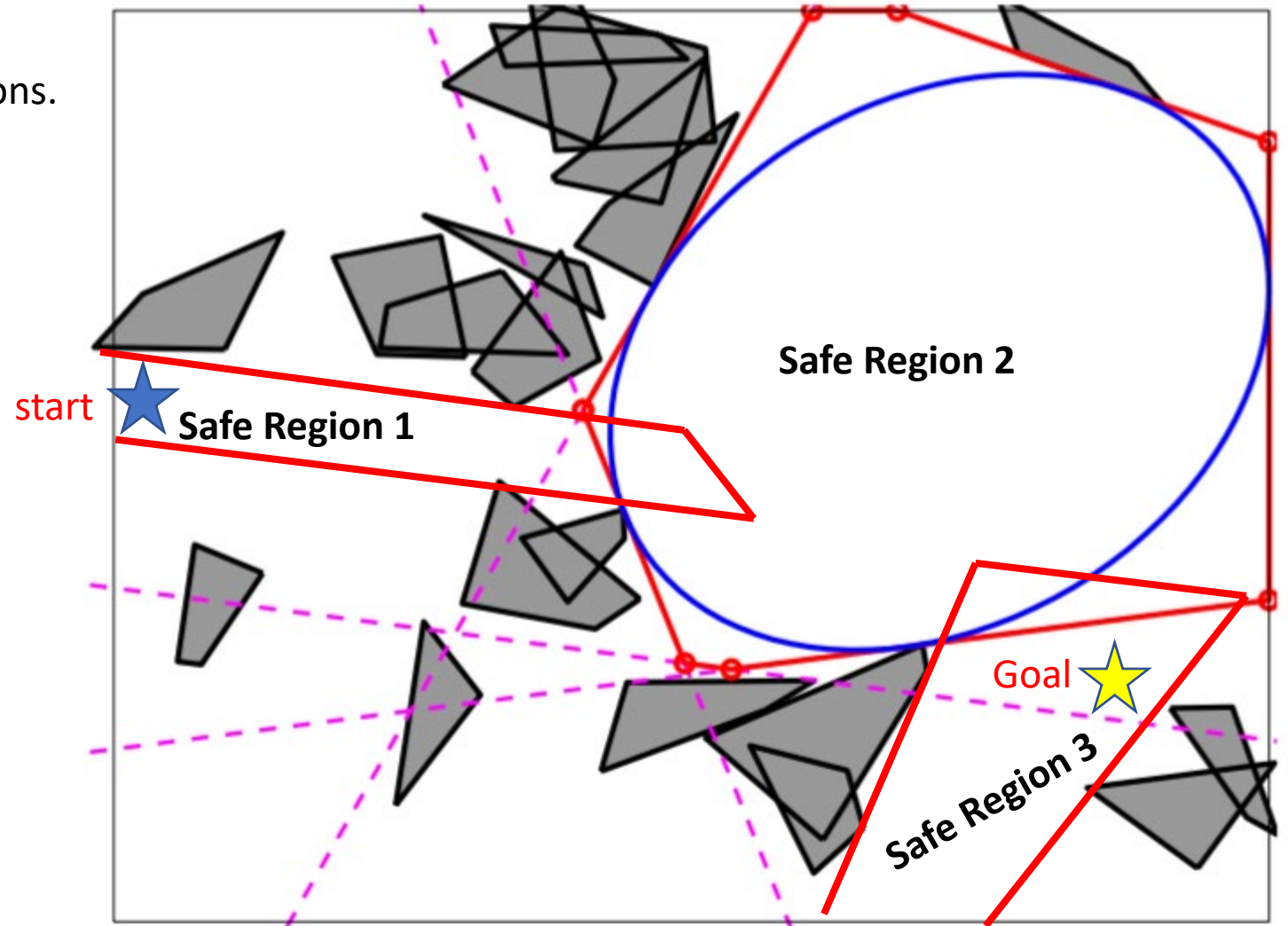
Gurobi solver

## Chance Constrained Trajectory Optimization

- In the presence of large number of obstacles, chance constraints generates large number of constraints.
- To reduce the number of constraints, we can describe the safety in terms of the safe regions.

# A Large Number of Obstacles

Chance constraints on safety in terms of safe regions.



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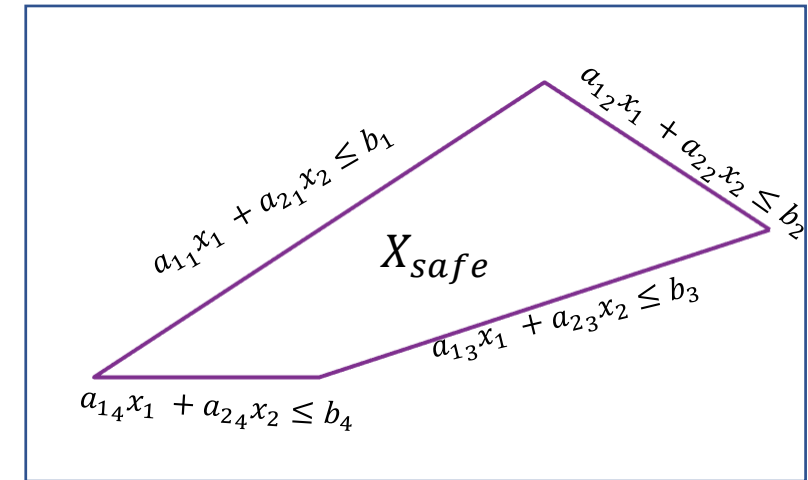
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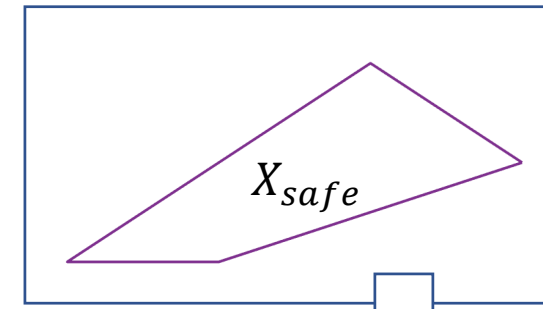


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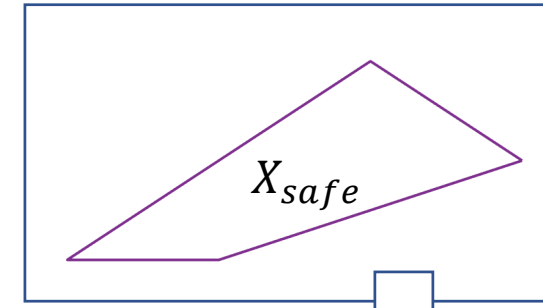
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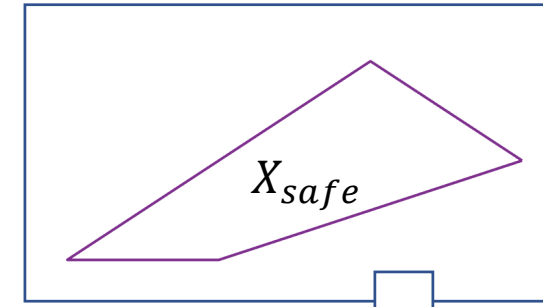
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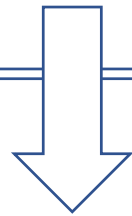
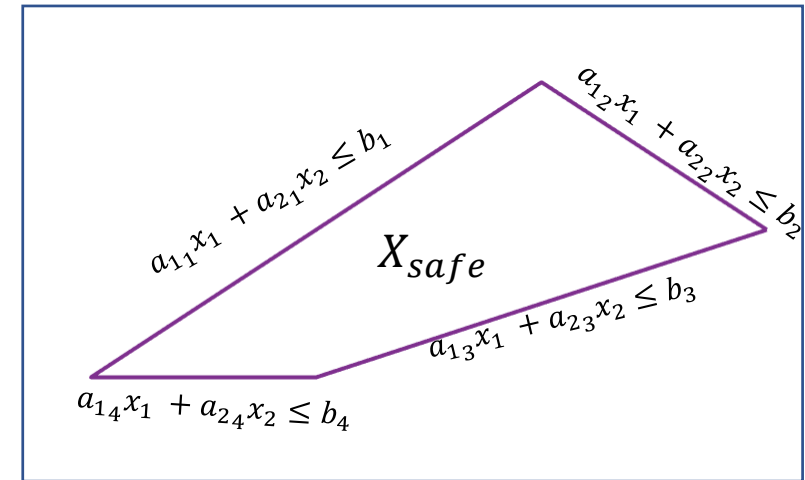


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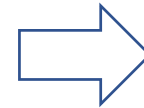
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Set of linear constraints:

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$$a_1\bar{x}_1 + \dots + a_n\bar{x}_n < b + s_k \quad i = 1, \dots, \ell$$

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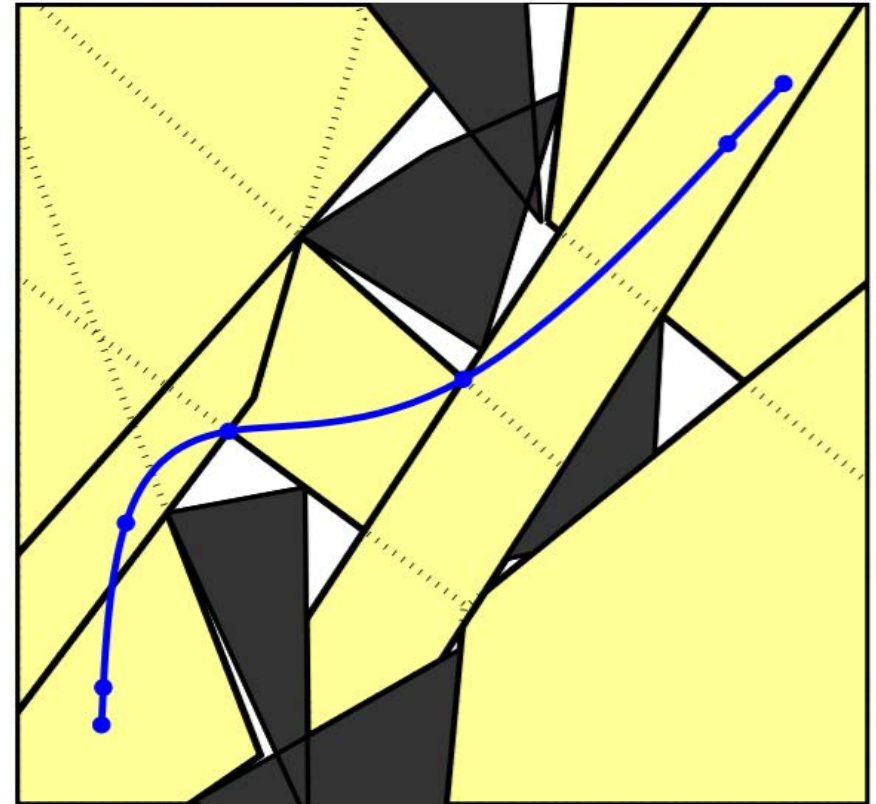
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- Given, i) a set of convex regions that covers the obstacle-free space, and ii) initial and goal point

We can formulate the trajectory planning problem as mixed-integer Convex optimization.

- Integer variable for each convex region to choose the sequence of regions to construct the trajectory.
- Convex optimization for each convex region.



Given convex obstacles, computes set of convex free sets:

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- Replace joint safety chance constraints with disjoint chance constraints
- Replace disjoint chance constraints with deterministic convex constraints in terms of mean and variance of the states.
- Solve Mixed-Integer Convex optimization.
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We can use these results in the different setup:

i) RRT\*, ii) PRM, iii) Motion Primitive

# Chance constrained RRT\*

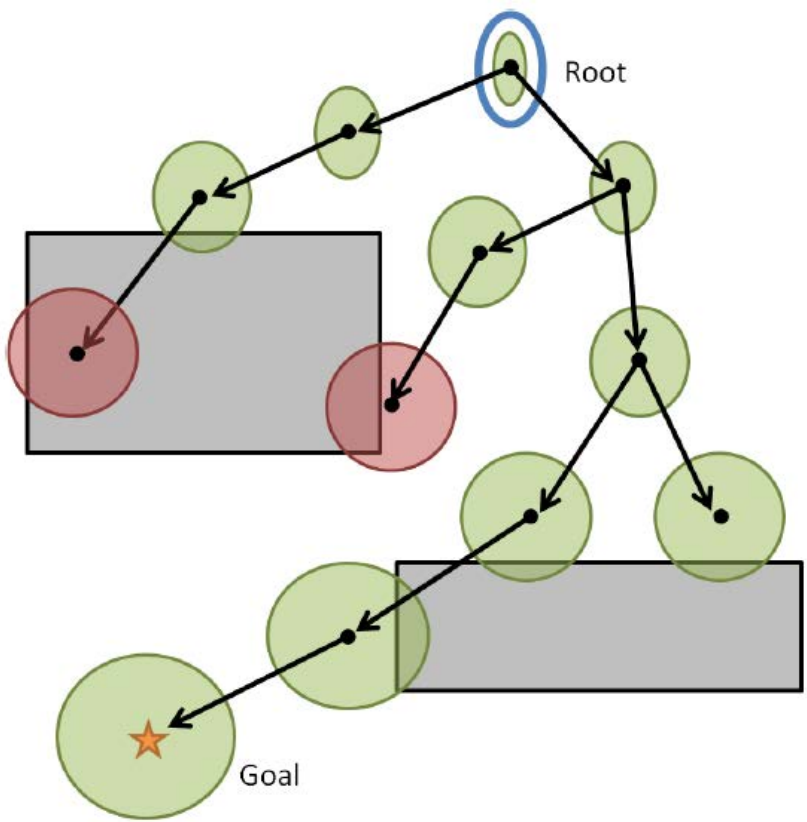
# Chance constrained RRT\*

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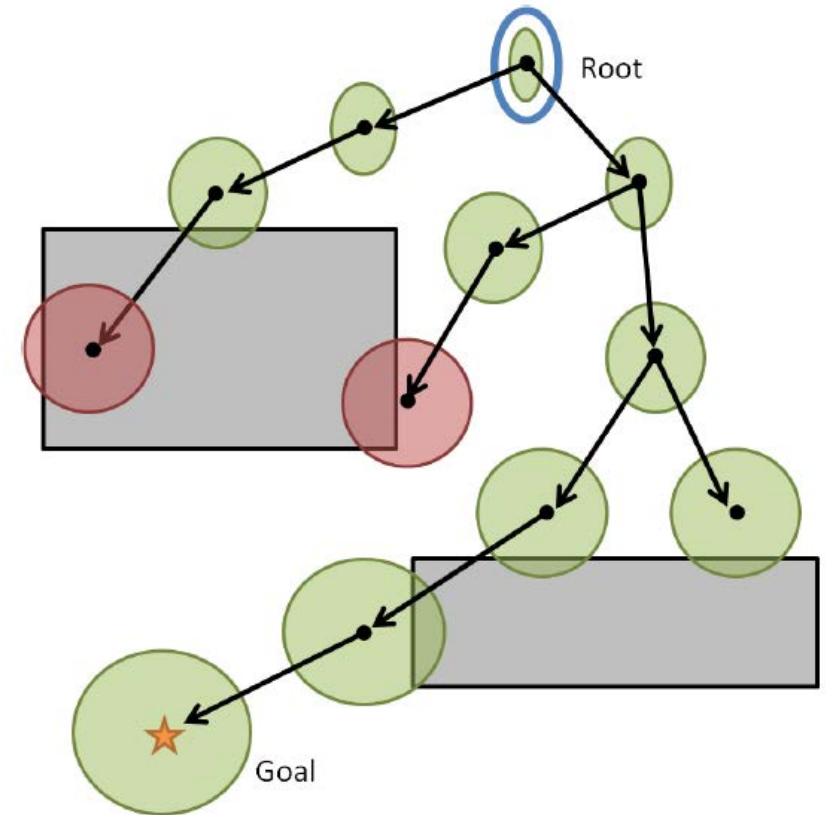
$$\triangleright A_k = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x_k^*, u_k^*, 0)$$

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$$\hat{x}_k = x_k - x_k^* \quad \hat{u}_k = u_k - u_k^*$$

$$\text{Linearized Dynamic: } \hat{x}_{k+1} = A_k \hat{x}_k + B_{u_k} \hat{u}_k + B_{\omega_k} \omega_k$$



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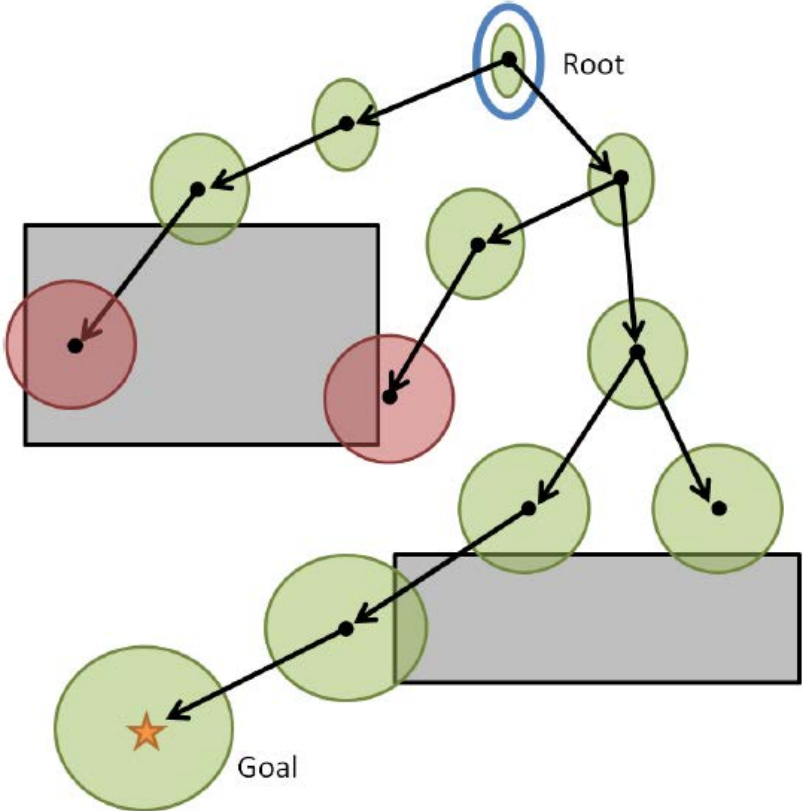
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We model distribution of the states with normal distribution

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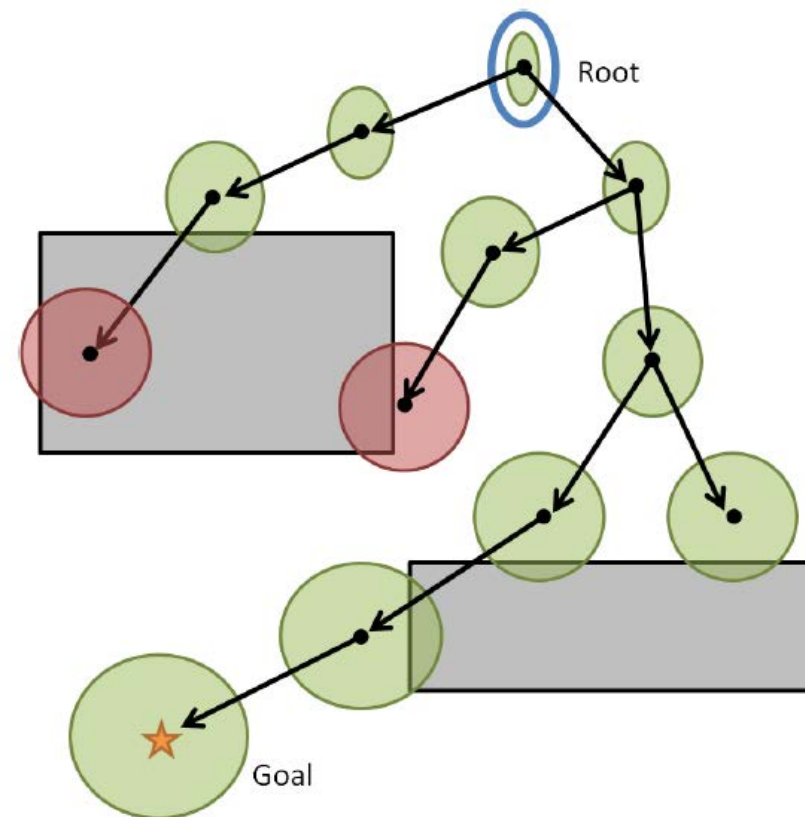
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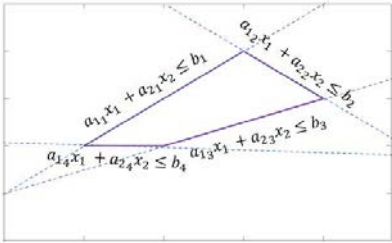
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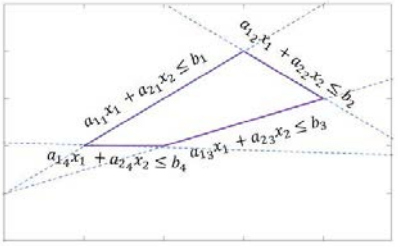


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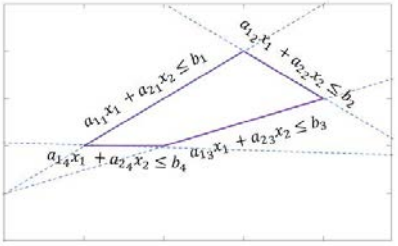
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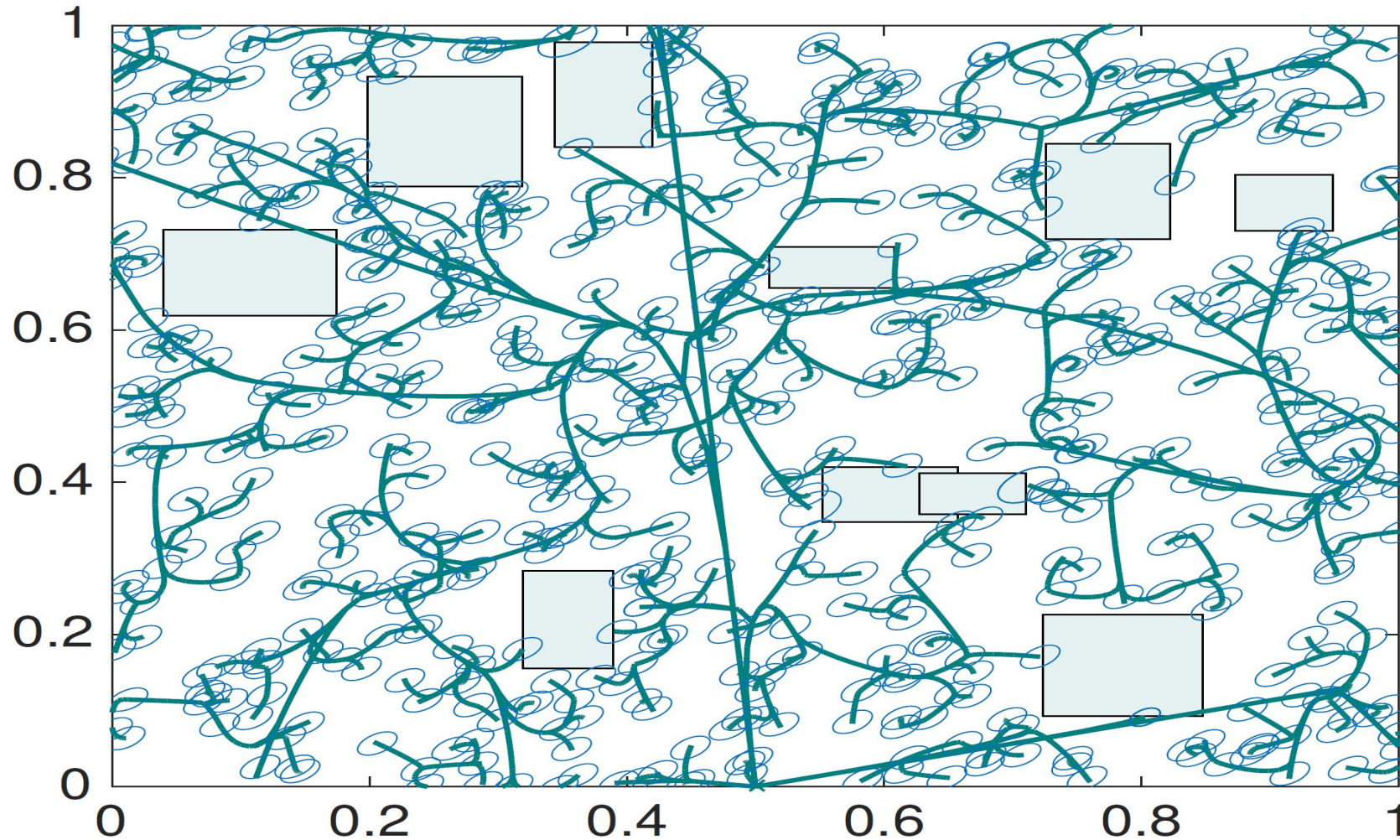
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## Nonlinear Obstacles and Arbitrary Probabilistic Uncertainties

Lecture 10, section 1 on uncertainty propagation and section 2 on risk estimation



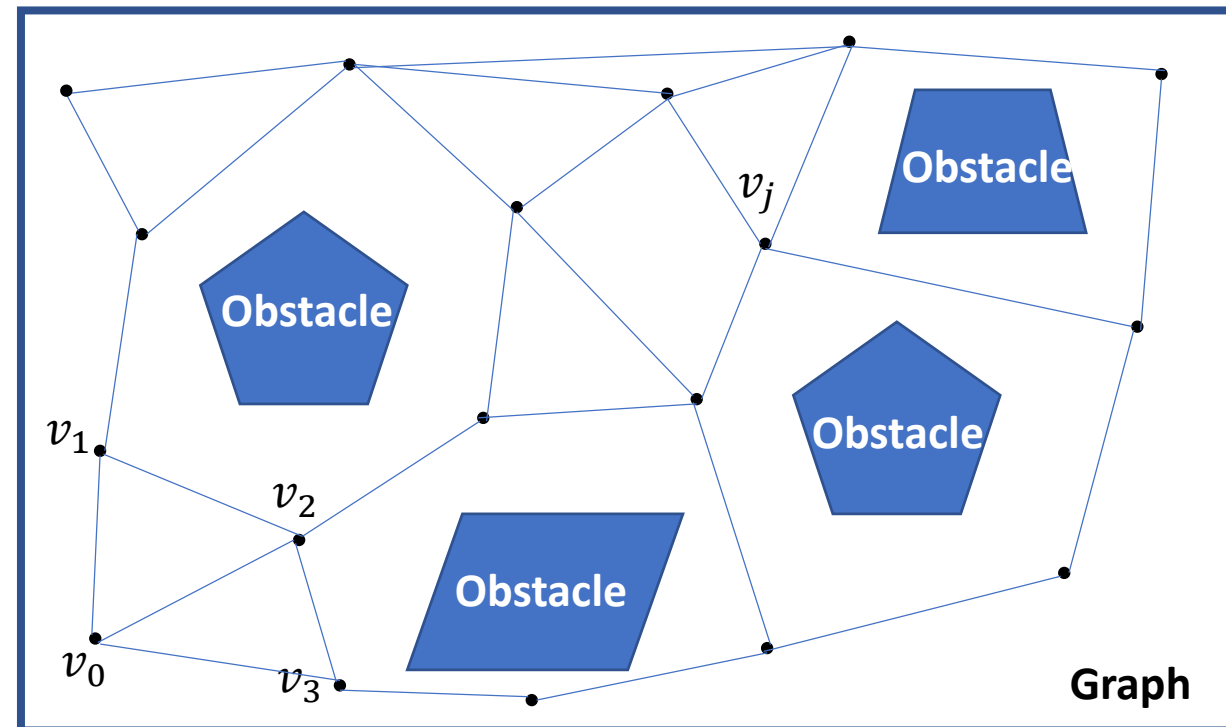
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# Chance constrained PRM

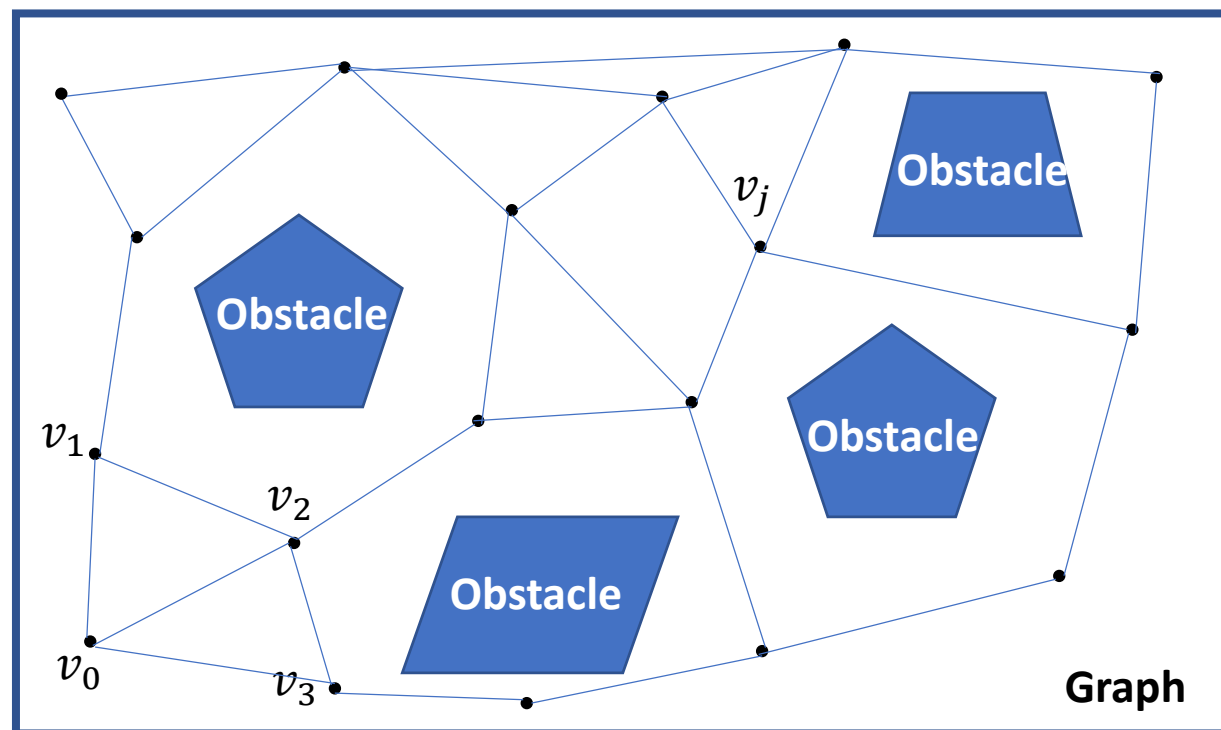
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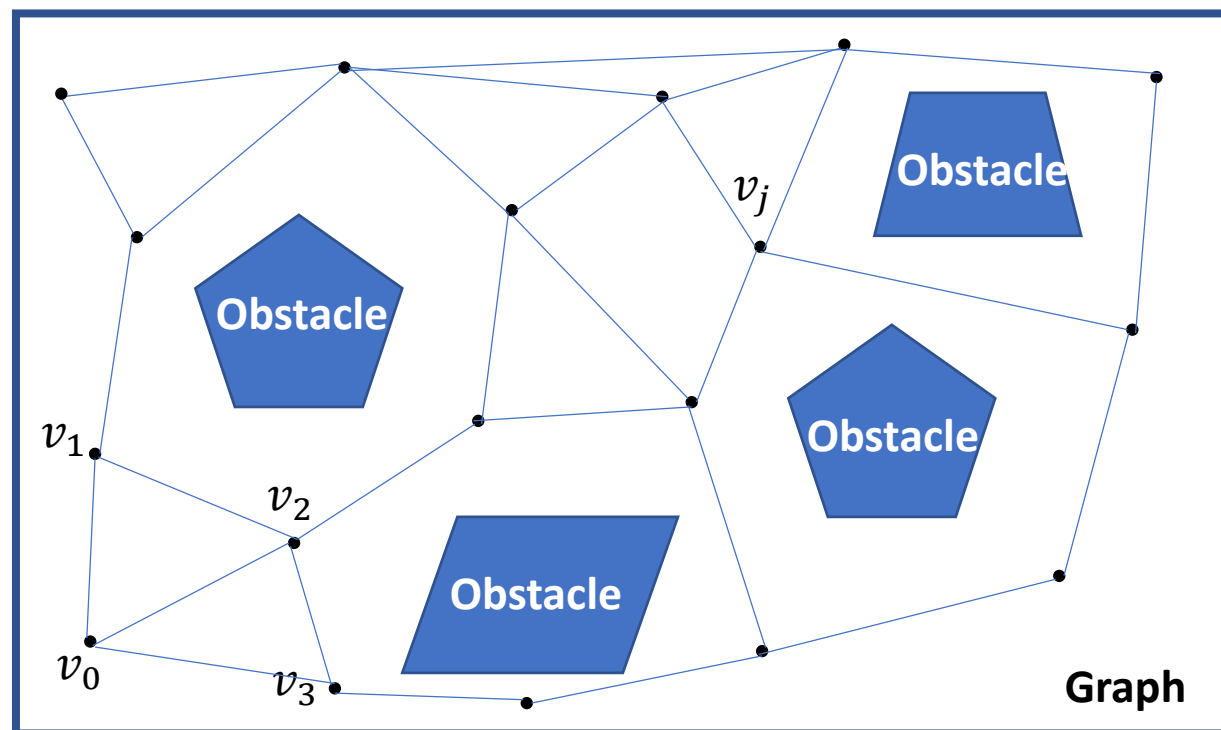
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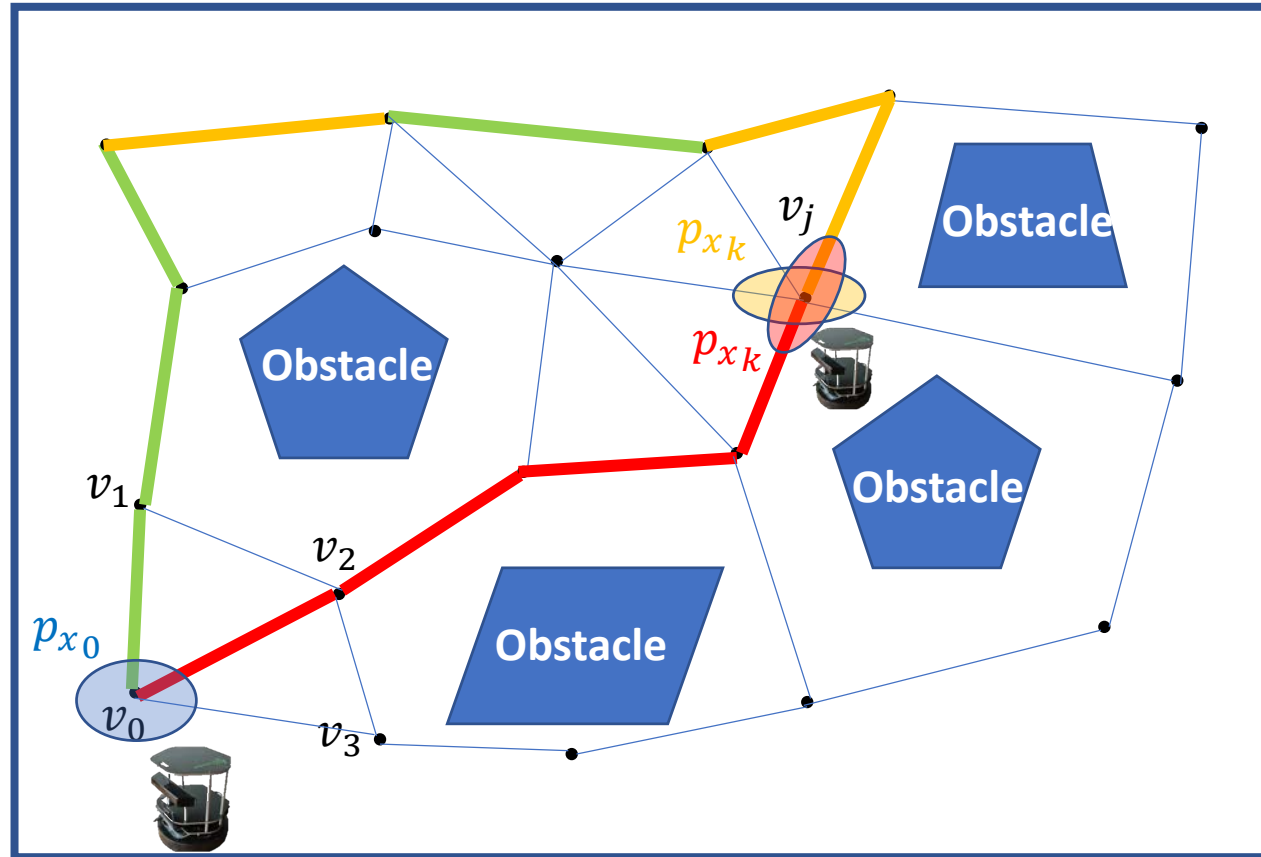
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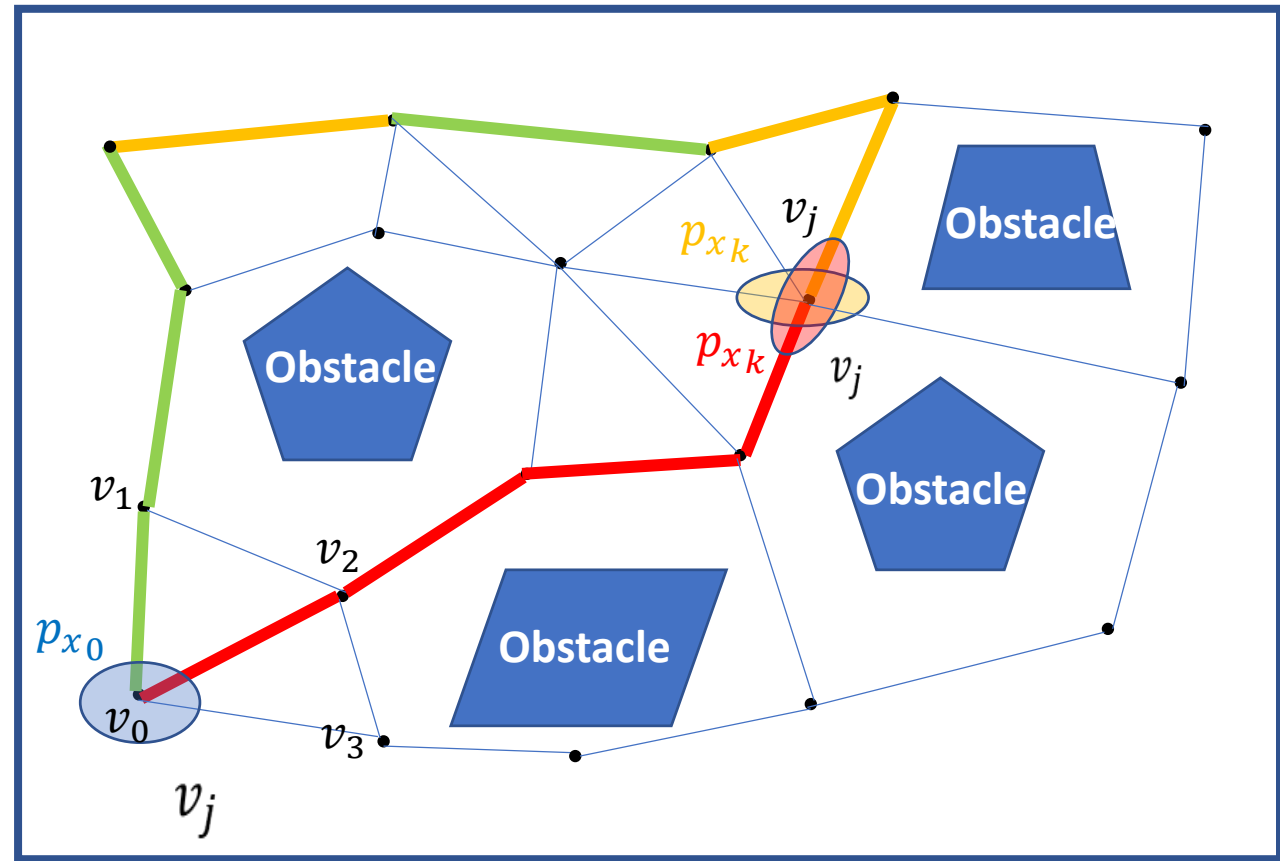
$u_k$ : Given controller to derive the robot between the nodes



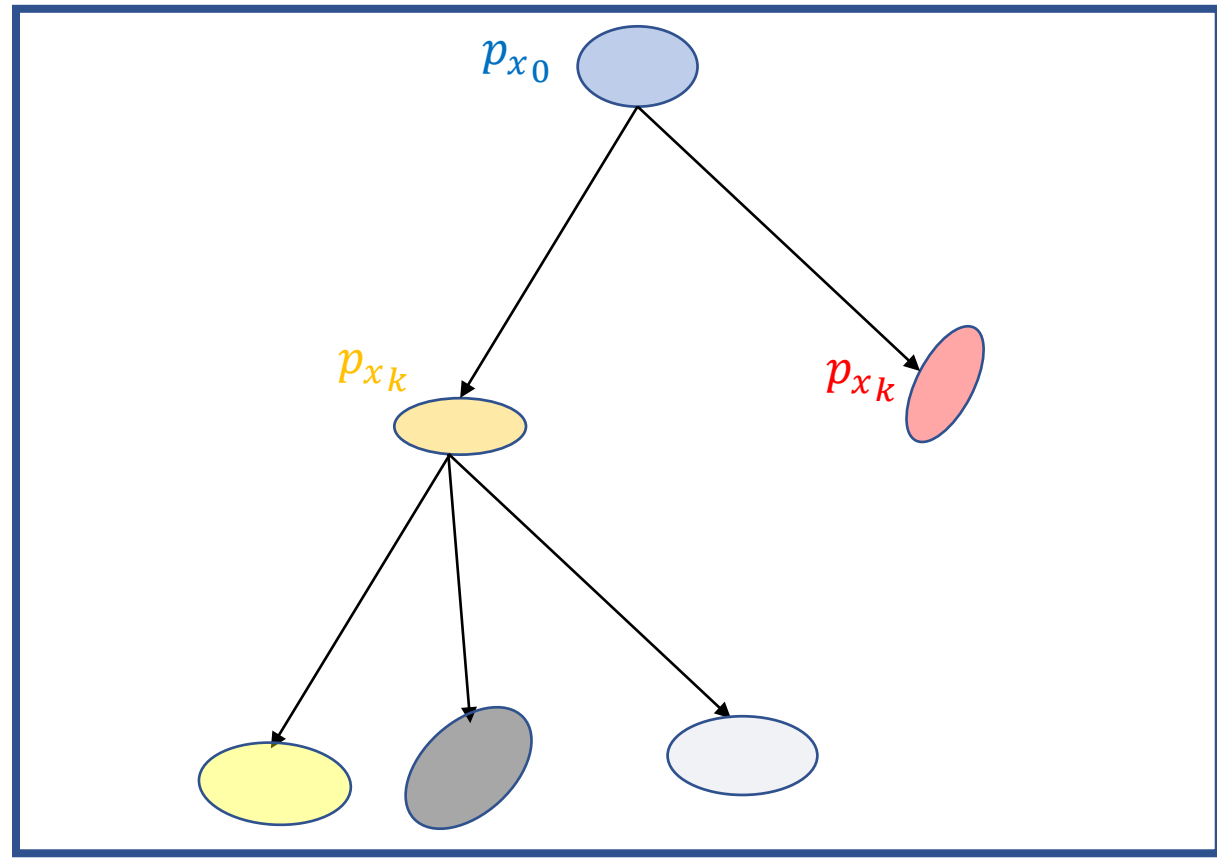


**Graph in the state Space**

Final distribution of the states depends on the traversed path



Graph in the state Space



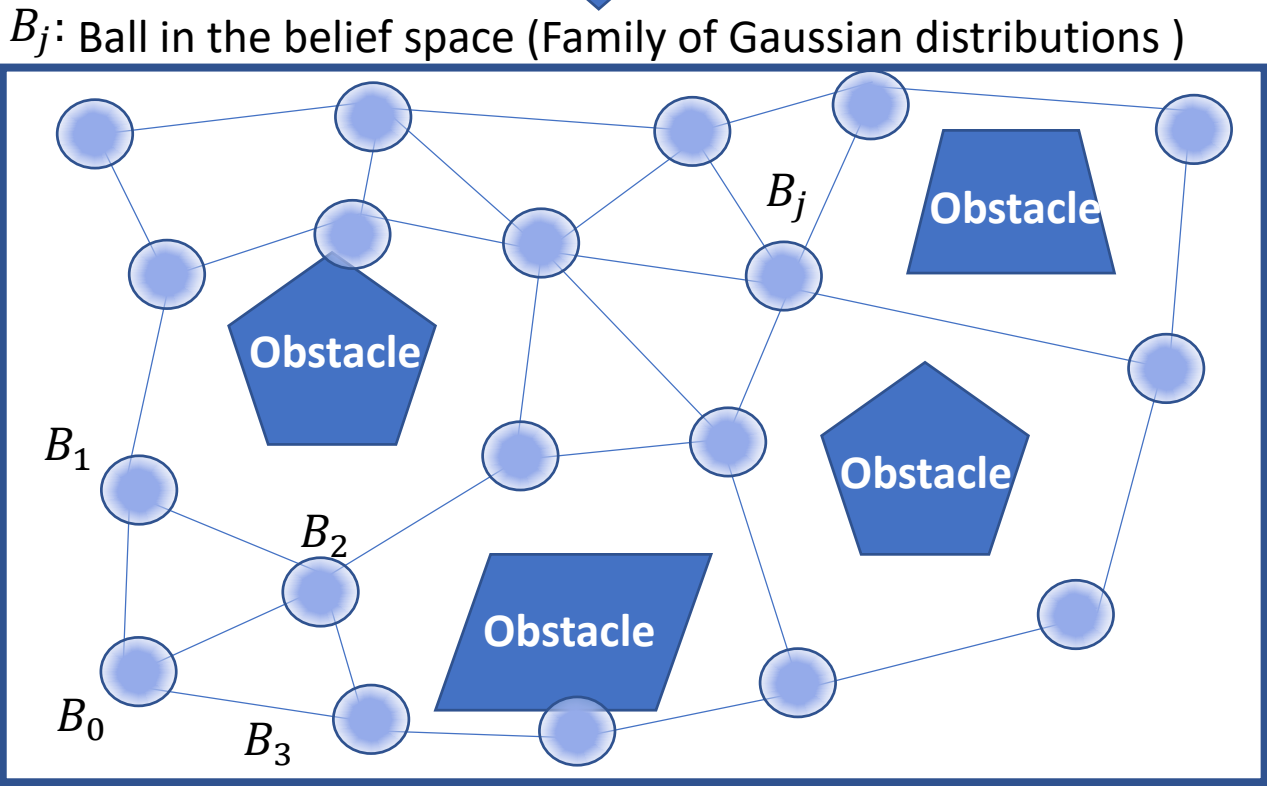
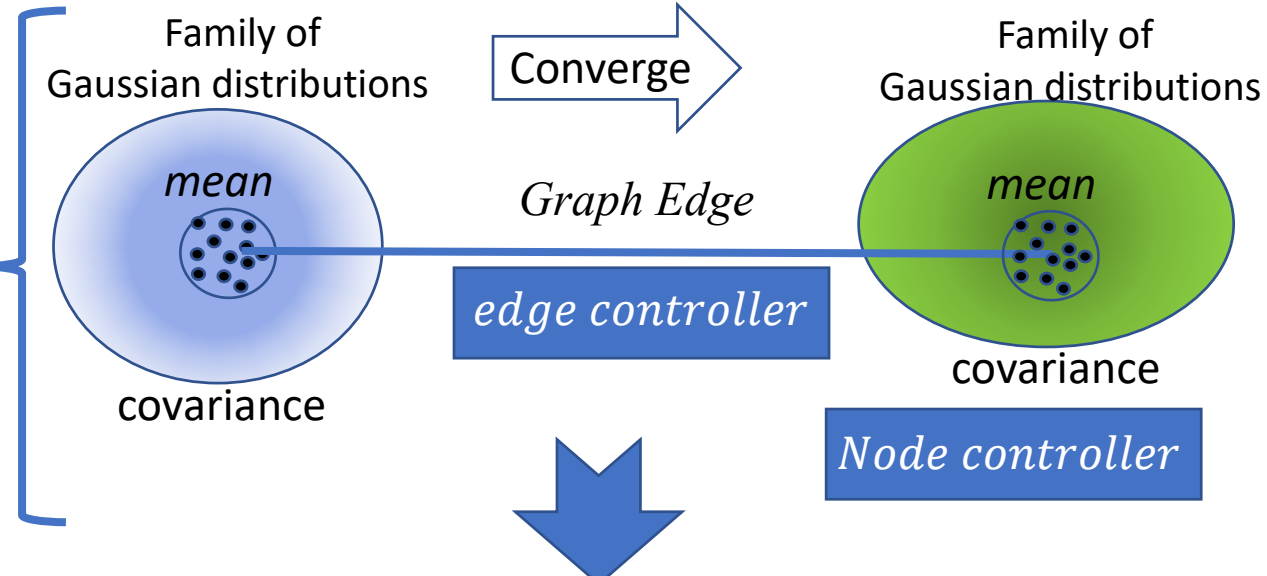
Tree in the belief space

# curse of history

- To construct the graph in the belief space, one can use stabilizing controllers to stabilize the distributions in the nodes.

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Edge Controller: Time varying LQG  
 Node Controller: stationary LQG (belief stabilizer)

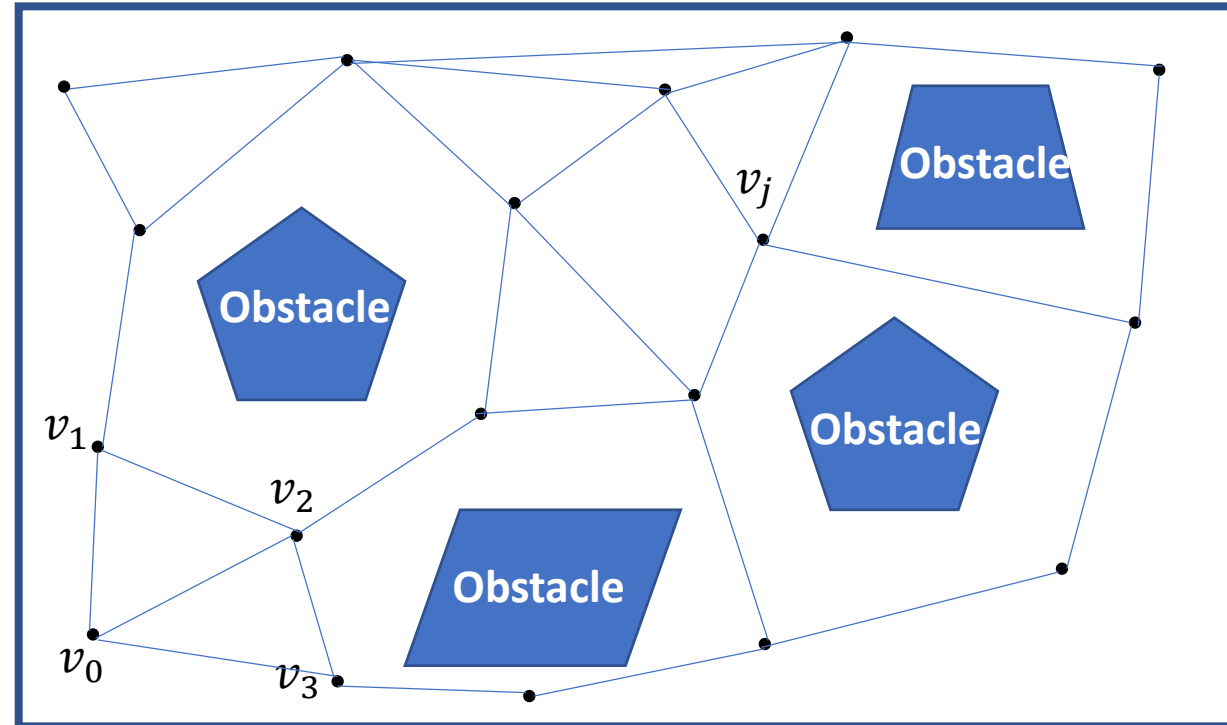


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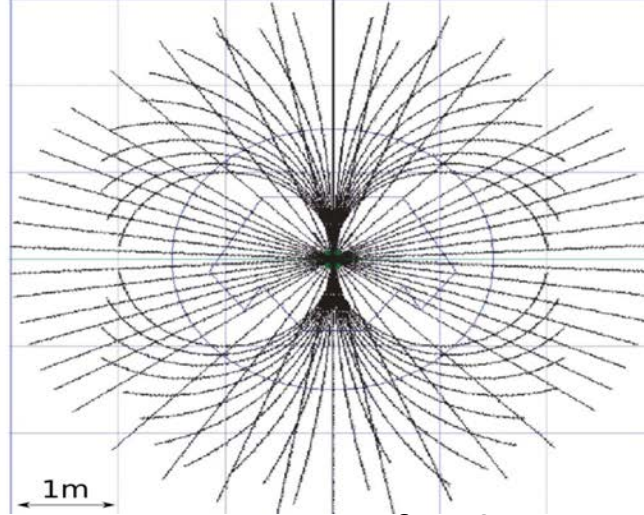
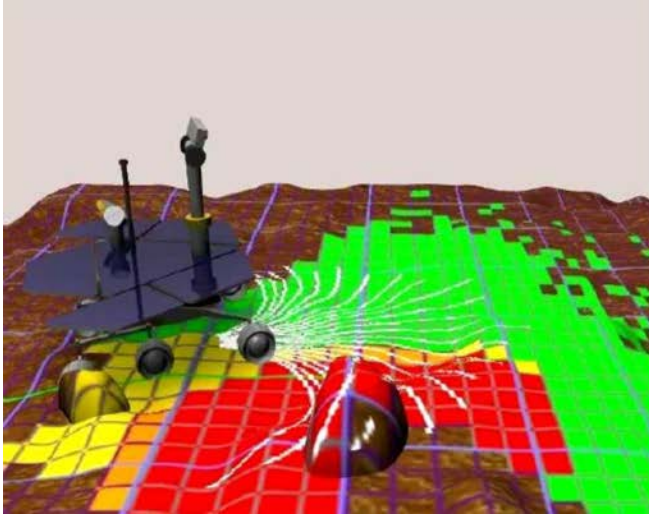
At each planning step:

- Identify the  $k - th$  best paths between the current and goal nodes.
- Propagate the uncertainty along the paths.
- Choose one path that satisfies probabilistic safety constraints and drive the robot to the next node.

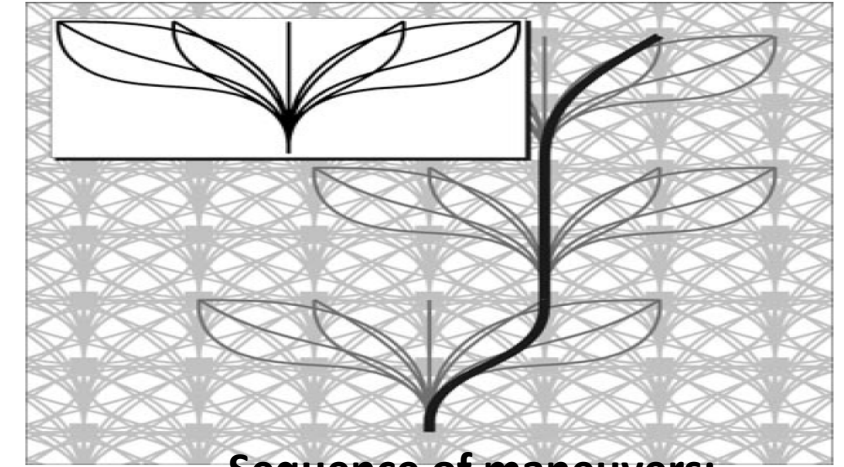


# Chance Constrained Motion Primitive

# State lattice/Motion primitive Based Path Planning



Motion Primitives for the Rover



Sequence of maneuvers:

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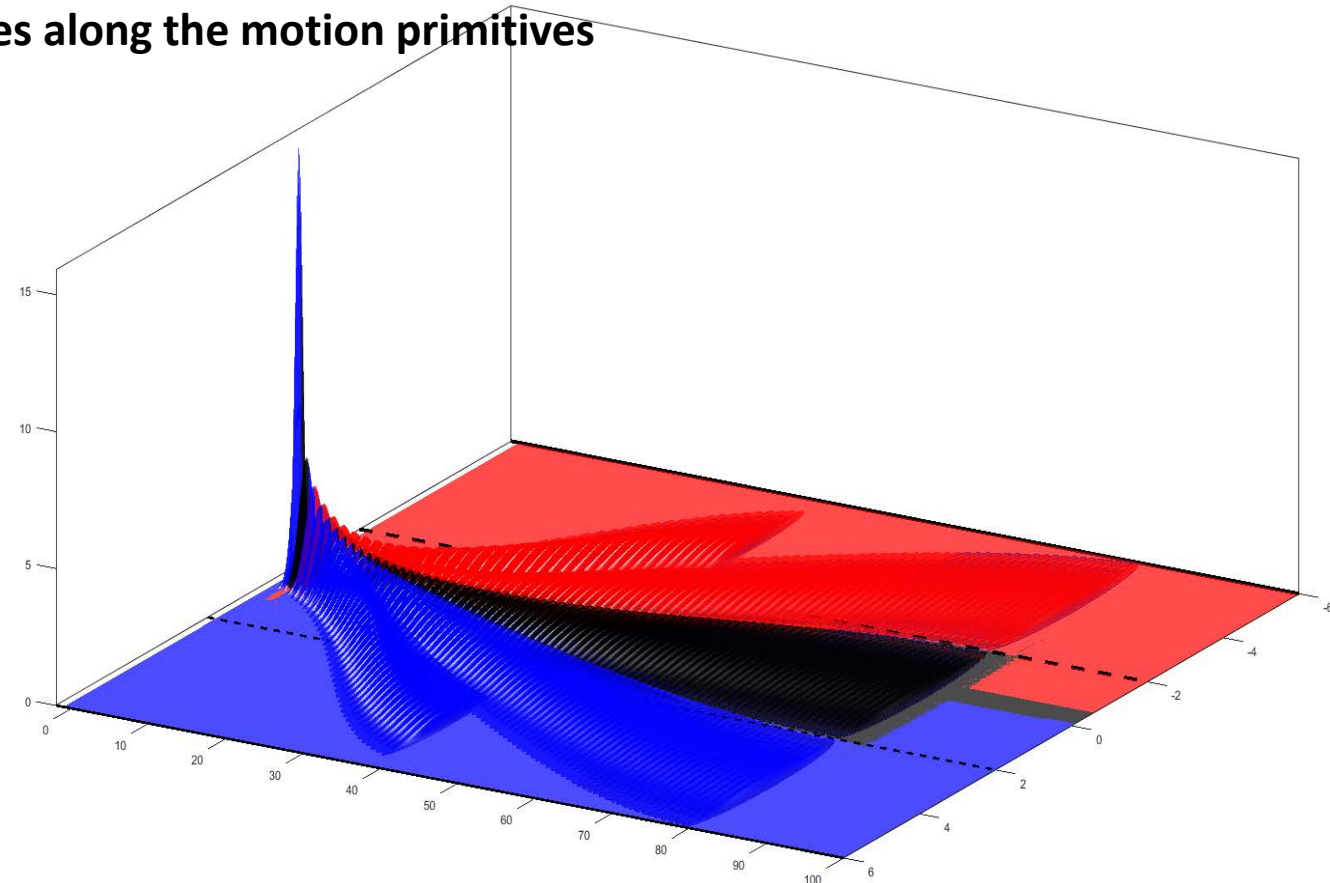
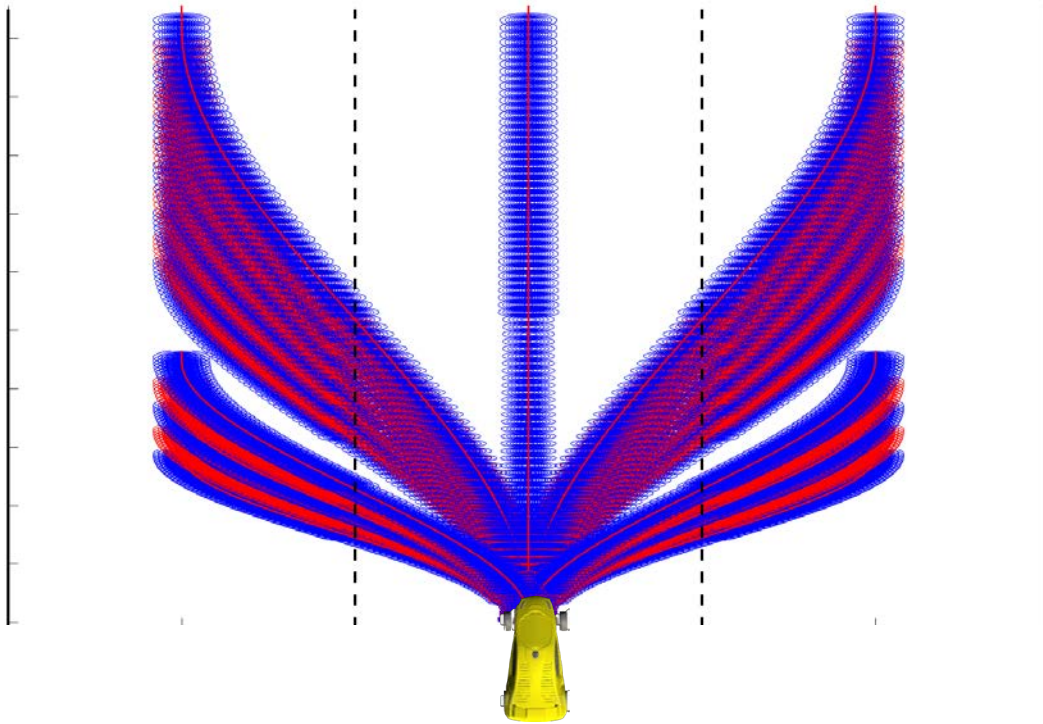
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- Propagate the uncertainty along the maneuvers .
- Choose the maneuver that satisfies probabilistic safety constraints.

### Propagated uncertainties along the motion primitives



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# Continuous-Time Safety Guarantees

## Chance Constrained Trajectory Optimization

- Given Normal distributions of uncertainties, goal state  $x_G$ , and risk levels  $\Delta_k$ , Find  $u_k$ ,  $k = 0, \dots, T - 1$

$$\min_{[u_0, \dots, u_{T-1}]} E[J(x_k, u_k)]$$

$$\text{s.t. } x_{k+1} = A_k x_k + B_{u_k} u_k + B_{\omega_k} \omega_k$$

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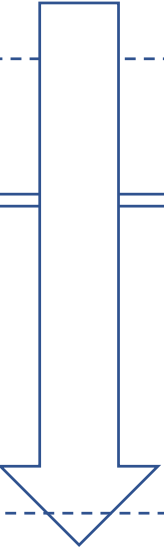
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**Continuous-Time Safety Guarantees**



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**Brownian motion:** is a continuous-time stochastic process

$$W_0 = 0$$

$W_t$  has independent increments

$$W_t - W_s \sim \mathcal{N}(0, t - s) \text{ (for } 0 \leq s \leq t).$$

} Gaussian independent increments

- Since Brownian motion has Gaussian independent increments with mean zero, its time derivative is a **Gaussian stochastic process** with mean zero whose values at different times are independent.
- Brownian motion is the integral of a Gaussian process.

- Ordinary Differential Equation (ODE)

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- **Stochastic Differential Equation (SDE)** to describe probabilistic systems in **continuous-time**

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- $x(t)$  (location of robot) is obtained by integration of continuous-time **linear** differential equation of motion subjected to **Gaussian noise**.
- Hence,  $x(t)$  is assumed to be a **Brownian motion**.



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### Reflection Principle for Brownian Motions:

Let  $w(t) : t(\geq 0)$  be a one-dimensional Brownian motion, and  $a(\geq 0)$  is a threshold value. Then,

$$\text{prob} \left( \sup_{0 \leq s \leq t} w(s) > a \right) = 2P(w(t) > a)$$

This theory can also be relaxed for an arbitrary time segment.

$$\text{prob} \left( \max_{t-1 \leq s \leq t} w(s) \geq a \right) \leq P \left( \max_{0 \leq s \leq t} w(s) \geq a \right) = 2P(w(t) \geq a)$$

- This indicates that the probability of the constraint violation in a single segment and in the continuous time model can be guaranteed **only** by checking the violation probability of the **final point**.

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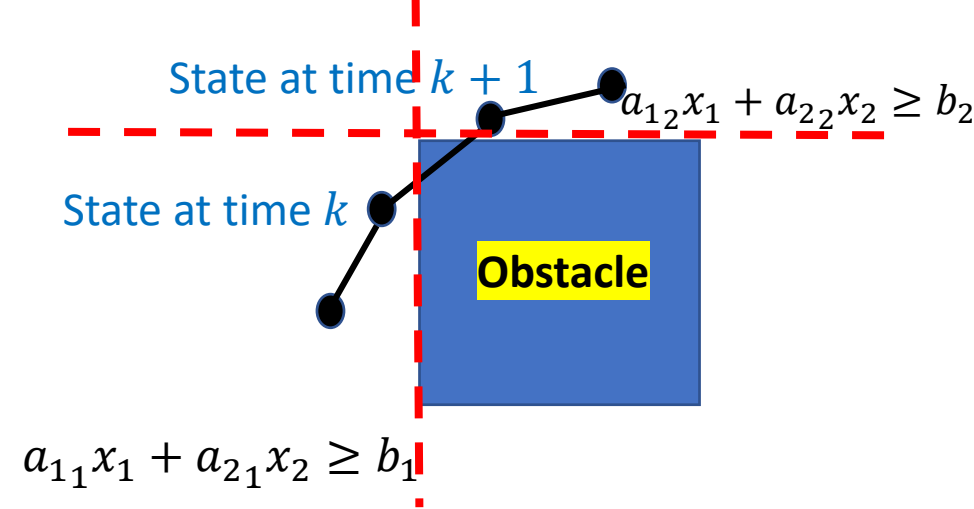


$$\text{prob} \left( x_t \Big|_{k-1 \leq t \leq k} \in \chi_{obs} \right) \leq 2 \text{prob}(x(k) \in \chi_{obs})$$

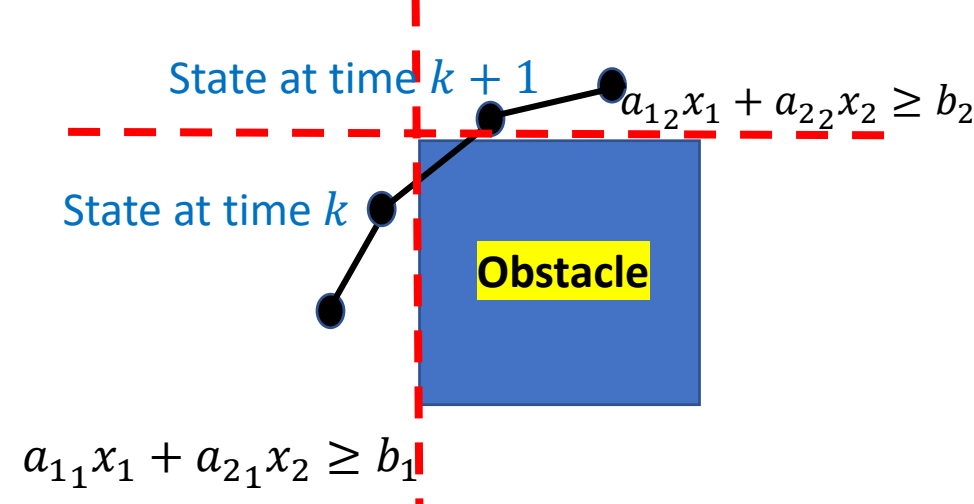
**Chance constraint:**

$$\text{prob} \left( x_t \Big|_{k \leq t \leq k+1} \in \chi_{obs} \right) \leq \Delta_k \quad \rightarrow \quad \text{prob}(x(k) \in \chi_{obs}) \leq \frac{\Delta_k}{2}$$

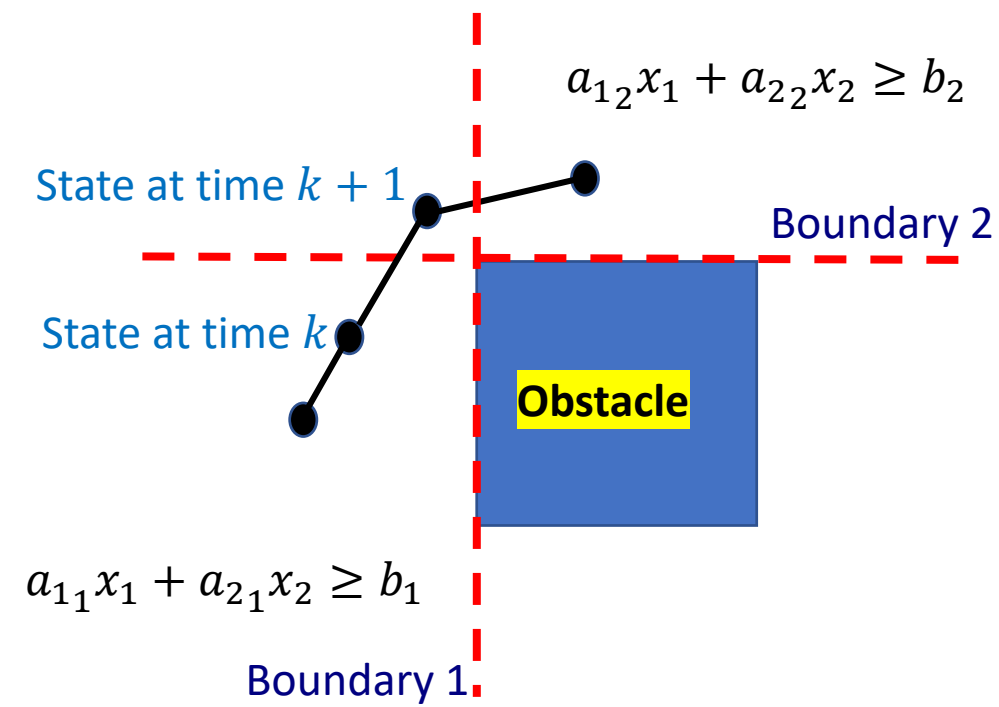
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# Continuous-Time Safety Guarantees

- **Chance constraint:**

$$\text{prob} \left( x_t \Big|_{k \leq t \leq k+1} \in \mathcal{X}_{obs} \right) \leq \Delta_k \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{prob}(x(k) \in \mathcal{X}_{obs}) \leq \frac{\Delta_k}{2}$$

- Probability( Two consecutive time steps share a single active boundary for each obstacle)  $\geq 1 - \Delta_k$

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# Distributionally Robust Chance Constrained



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**Worst-case probability**  $\max_{pr \in \mathcal{M}} \text{Probability}\{x \geq b\} \leq \Delta_k \longrightarrow \bar{x} \leq b + \Sigma_x \sqrt{\frac{1 - \Delta_k}{\Delta_k}}$

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➤  $\text{Probability}(x \geq b) \leq \Delta$   $\longrightarrow \bar{x} \leq b + \Sigma_x \phi^{-1}(\Delta_k)$   
 $x \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{x}, \Sigma_x^2)$

### Gaussian Linear Chance Constraint

$$\text{prob}(a_1 x_{1k} + \dots + a_n x_{nk} \geq b) \geq 1 - \Delta_k$$

#### Hard Constraint

$$a_1 \bar{x}_{1k} + \dots + a_n \bar{x}_{nk} \geq \bar{b} + c$$

Safety Margin

$$c = \sqrt{[a_1, \dots, a_n]' \Sigma_{x_k}^2 [a_1, \dots, a_n]} \phi^{-1}(1 - \Delta_k)$$

$$\Sigma_{x_{k+1}} = A_k \Sigma_{x_k} A_k' + B_{\omega_k} \Sigma_{\omega_k} B_{\omega_k}'$$

### Distributionally Robust Linear Chance Constraints

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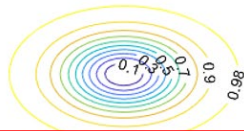
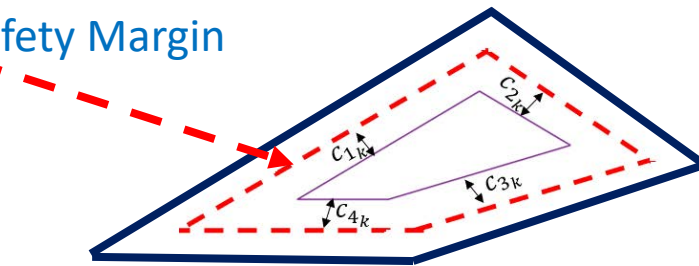
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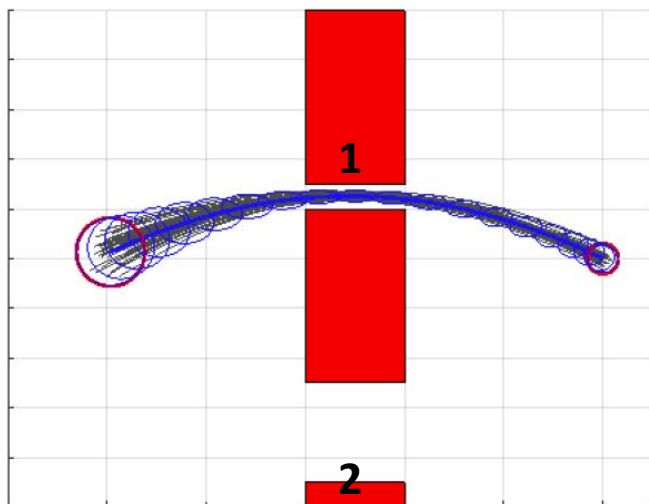
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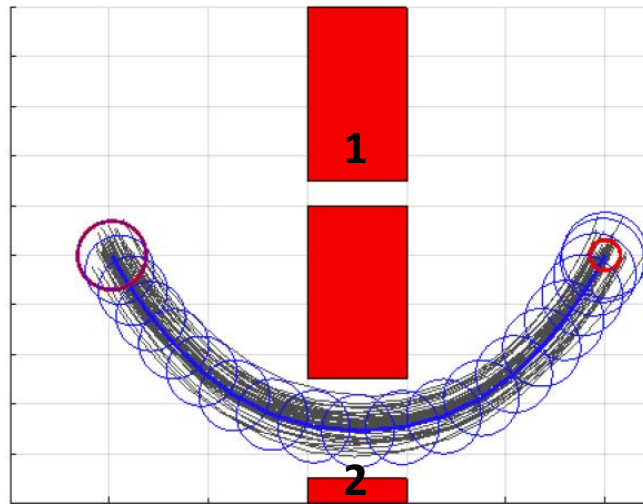
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# Chance Constrained Covariance Control



With Covariance Control



Without Covariance Control

$$\Sigma_{x_{k+1}}^2 = A_k \Sigma_{x_k}^2 A_k^T + B_{\omega_k} \Sigma_{\omega_k}^2 B_{\omega_k}^T$$

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# Linear systems and Gaussian Uncertainty Propagation:

$$x_{k+1} = A_k x_k + B_{u_k} u_k + B_{\omega_k} \omega_k \quad x_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{x}_0, \Sigma_{x_0}^2) \quad \omega_k \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{\omega}, \Sigma_{\omega_k}^2)$$

- By the assumption that  $u_k$  is deterministic i.e.,  $E[u_k] = u_k$

$$\bar{x}_{k+1} = A_k \bar{x}_k + B_{u_k} u_k + B_{\omega_k} \bar{\omega}_k$$

$$\Sigma_{x_{k+1}}^2 = A_k \Sigma_{x_k}^2 A_k^T + B_{\omega_k} \Sigma_{\omega_k}^2 B_{\omega_k}^T$$

$B_{u_k} u_k$  term in  $x_{k+1}$  and  $B_{u_k} E[u_k]$  term in  $\bar{x}_{k+1}$  cancels out

- We can control the covariance using non-deterministic control input  $u_k$ .
- State feedback  $u_k = K_0 + Kx$
- We need to look for a **feedback structure** that results in a **convex optimization**.



➤ **Gaussian Linear System:**

•  $x_{k+1} = A_k x_k + B_k u_k + D_k w_k, \quad x_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_0, \Sigma_0^2) \quad \omega_k \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1) \quad x_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_0, \Sigma_0).$

➤ **Safety Constraints:**

•  $x_k \in \mathcal{X}, \quad \mathcal{X} \triangleq \bigcap_{i=0}^{N_s-1} \{x : \alpha_{x,i}^\top x \leq \beta_{x,i}\},$

•  $u_k \in \mathcal{U}, \quad \mathcal{U} \triangleq \bigcap_{j=0}^{N_c-1} \{u : \alpha_{u,j}^\top u \leq \beta_{u,j}\}$

➤ **Probabilistic Safety Constraints**

•  $\Pr(x_k \in \mathcal{X}) \geq 1 - \epsilon_x \quad \text{where } \epsilon_x \in [0, 0.5)$

➤ **Probabilistic Safety Constraints for Nondeterministic control**

•  $\Pr(u_k \in \mathcal{U}) \geq 1 - \epsilon_u,$

➤ **Chance Constrained Covariance Control**

Given initial and final normal distributions for the states  $x_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_0, \Sigma_0^2)$ ,  $x_f \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_f, \Sigma_f^2)$

Find the sequence of control inputs

$$\min_{u_0, \dots, u_{N-1}} J(u_0, \dots, u_{N-1}) = \mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x_k^\top Q x_k + u_k^\top R u_k \right],$$

subject to

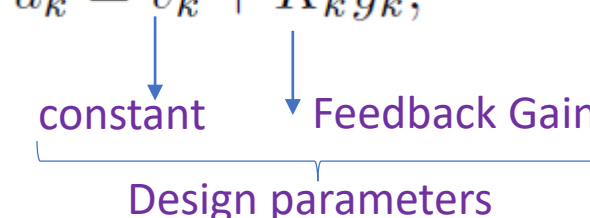
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$$x_N = x_f \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_f, \Sigma_f),$$

we assume that  $\Sigma_0 \succcurlyeq 0$  and  $\Sigma_f \succ 0$ .

$$U = [u_0^\top, u_1^\top, \dots, u_{N-1}^\top]^\top$$

$$u_k = v_k + K_k y_k,$$

  
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Design parameters

where  $v_k \in \mathbb{R}^{n_u}$ ,  $K_k \in \mathbb{R}^{n_u \times n_x}$ , and  $y_k \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x}$  is given by

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## ➤ Probabilistic Safety Constraints

- $\Pr(x_k \in \mathcal{X}) \geq 1 - \epsilon_x$       Using Boole's inequality  $\longrightarrow$

$$\mathcal{X} \triangleq \bigcap_{i=0}^{N_s-1} \{x : \alpha_{x,i}^\top x \leq \beta_{x,i}\},$$
$$\Pr(\alpha_{x,i}^\top x_k \leq \beta_{x,i}) \geq 1 - p_{x,i},$$
$$\sum_{i=0}^{N_s-1} p_{x,i} \leq \epsilon_x.$$

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$$X = \mathcal{A}x_0 + \mathcal{B}U + \mathcal{D}W,$$

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_N \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{(N+1)n_x}, \quad U = \begin{bmatrix} u_0 \\ u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{Nn_u}, \quad W = \begin{bmatrix} w_0 \\ w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_{N-1} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{Nn_w},$$

$$\mathbb{E}[x_0 x_0^\top] = \Sigma_0 + \mu_0 \mu_0^\top,$$

$$\mathbb{E}[x_0 W^\top] = 0,$$

$$\mathbb{E}[W W^\top] = I_{Nn_w}$$

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$$\min_U J(U) = \mathbb{E} [X^\top \bar{Q}X + U^\top \bar{R}U],$$

subject to

$$X = \mathcal{A}x_0 + \mathcal{B}U + \mathcal{D}W, \quad x_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_0, \Sigma_0),$$

$$\Pr(\alpha_{x,i}^\top E_k X \leq \beta_{x,i}) \geq 1 - p_{x,i},$$

$$\Pr(\alpha_{u,j}^\top F_k U \leq \beta_{u,j}) \geq 1 - p_{u,j},$$

$$\mu_f = E_N \mathbb{E}[X],$$

$$\Sigma_f = E_N (\mathbb{E}[X X^\top] - \mathbb{E}[X] \mathbb{E}[X]^\top) E_N^\top,$$

where  $\bar{Q} = \text{blkdiag}(Q, \dots, Q, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^{(N+1)n_x \times (N+1)n_x}$  and  $\bar{R} = \text{blkdiag}(R, \dots, R) \in \mathbb{R}^{Nn_u \times Nn_u}$ ,

$$E_k = [0_{n_x, kn_x}, I_{n_x}, 0_{n_x, (N-k)n_x}] \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x \times (N+1)n_x}, \quad k = 0, \dots, N,$$

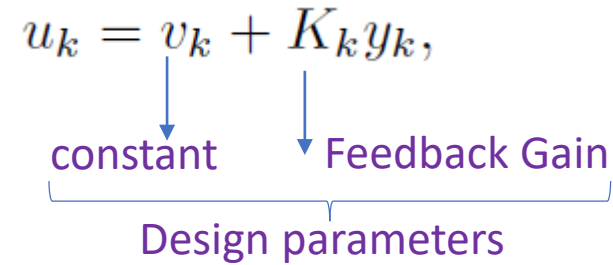
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and thus  $x_k = E_k X$  and  $u_k = F_k U$ .

## Feedback Control:

$$U = [u_0^\top, u_1^\top, \dots, u_{N-1}^\top]^\top$$

$$u_k = v_k + K_k y_k,$$



where  $v_k \in \mathbb{R}^{n_u}$ ,  $K_k \in \mathbb{R}^{n_u \times n_x}$ , and  $y_k \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x}$  is given by

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Vector of Control over planning Horizon

$$U = V + K (\mathcal{A}y_0 + \mathcal{D}W)$$

$$Y = \mathcal{A}y_0 + \mathcal{D}W \quad V = [v_0^\top, \dots, v_{N-1}^\top]^\top$$

$\mathbb{E}[y_0] = 0$  and  $\mathbb{E}[W] = 0$  that  $\mathbb{E}[U] = V$ .

➤ We describe the objective function and variance of the states in terms of the design parameters  $V$  and  $K$ .



- By applying control input  $U = V + K(\mathcal{A}y_0 + \mathcal{D}W)$  to the system  $X = \mathcal{A}x_0 + \mathcal{B}U + \mathcal{D}W$ , the following hold:

$$\bar{X} = \mathbb{E}[X] = \mathcal{A}\mu_0 + \mathcal{B}V,$$

$$\tilde{X} = X - \mathbb{E}[X] = \mathcal{A}(x_0 - \mu_0) + \mathcal{B}(U - V) + \mathcal{D}W = (I + \mathcal{B}K)(\mathcal{A}y_0 + \mathcal{D}W)$$

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- $V$  steers the mean and  $K$  steers the covariance  $U = V + K(\mathcal{A}y_0 + \mathcal{D}W)$

## Final Covariance Constraint:

Relaxation:  $\Sigma_N \succeq E_N(I + BK) \underbrace{(\mathcal{A}\Sigma_0\mathcal{A}^\top + \mathcal{D}\mathcal{D}^\top)}_{\text{covariance of states at time N}} (I + BK)^\top E_N^\top$

↓  
Desired Covariance

covariance of states at time N



$$1 - \|(\mathcal{A}\Sigma_0\mathcal{A}^\top + \mathcal{D}\mathcal{D}^\top)^{1/2}(I + BK)^\top E_N^\top \Sigma_N^{-1/2}\|_2 \geq 0$$

### Chance Constraints:

$$\Pr(\alpha_j^\top E_k X > \beta_j) \leq p_j$$

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➤ Probability( $x > b$ )  $\leq \Delta$   
 $x \sim \mathcal{N}(\bar{x}, \Sigma_x^2)$

$$\bar{x} \leq b + \Sigma_x \phi^{-1}(\Delta_k)$$

$$\bar{x} \leq b - \Sigma_x \phi^{-1}(1 - \Delta_k)$$

$$\underbrace{\alpha_j^\top E_k (\mathcal{A}\mu_0 + \mathcal{B}V)}_{\text{Mean at time k}} + \underbrace{\|(\mathcal{A}\Sigma_0\mathcal{A}^\top + \mathcal{D}\mathcal{D}^\top)^{1/2} (I + \mathcal{B}K)^\top E_k^\top \alpha_j\| \Phi^{-1}(1 - p_{j,\text{fail}})}_{\text{Safety margin at time k}} - \beta_j \leq 0,$$



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$$\Pr(\alpha_j^\top E_k X > \beta_j) \leq p_j \implies \alpha_j^\top E_k (\mathcal{A}\mu_0 + \mathcal{B}V) + \|(\mathcal{A}\Sigma_0\mathcal{A}^\top + \mathcal{D}\mathcal{D}^\top)^{1/2} (\bar{I} + \mathcal{B}K)^\top E_k^\top \alpha_j\| \Phi^{-1}(1 - p_{j,\text{fail}}) - \beta_j \leq 0,$$

### Input Chance Constraint:

$$\Pr(\alpha_{u,j}^\top F_k U \leq \beta_{u,j}) \geq 1 - p_{u,j} \implies \alpha_{u,j}^\top F_k V - \beta_{u,j} + \|\Sigma_y^{1/2} K^\top F_k^\top \alpha_{u,j}\| \Phi^{-1}(1 - p_{u,j}) \leq 0,$$

## Objective function:

$$J(U) = \mathbb{E} [X^\top \bar{Q}X + U^\top \bar{R}U], \quad \text{Using the state and control vectors}$$

$$J(\bar{X}, \tilde{X}, V, \tilde{U}) = \text{tr}(\bar{Q}\mathbb{E}[\tilde{X}\tilde{X}^\top]) + \bar{X}^\top \bar{Q}\bar{X} + \text{tr}(\bar{R}\mathbb{E}[\tilde{U}\tilde{U}^\top]) + V^\top \bar{R}V,$$

where  $\tilde{U} = U - V$

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➤ **Chance Constrained Covariance Control**

**Convex Deterministic Optimization:**

$$\min_{V, K} J(V, K) = \text{tr} \left[ ((I + \mathcal{B}K)^\top \bar{Q}(I + \mathcal{B}K) + K^\top \bar{R}K) \Sigma_y \right] \\ + (\mathcal{A}\mu_0 + \mathcal{B}V)^\top \bar{Q}(\mathcal{A}\mu_0 + \mathcal{B}V) + V^\top \bar{R}V.$$

subject to

$$\alpha_{x,i}^\top E_k(\mathcal{A}\mu_0 + \mathcal{B}V) - \beta_{x,i} + \|\Sigma_y^{1/2}(I + \mathcal{B}K)^\top E_k^\top \alpha_{x,i}\| \Phi^{-1}(1 - p_{x,i}) \leq 0,$$

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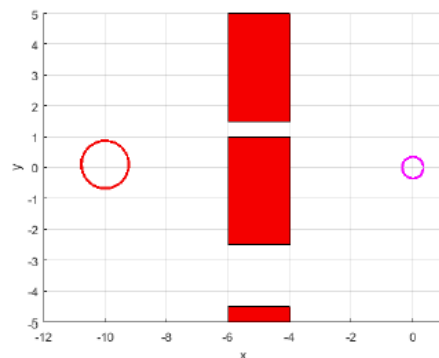
$$\mu_f = E_N(\mathcal{A}\mu_0 + \mathcal{B}V),$$

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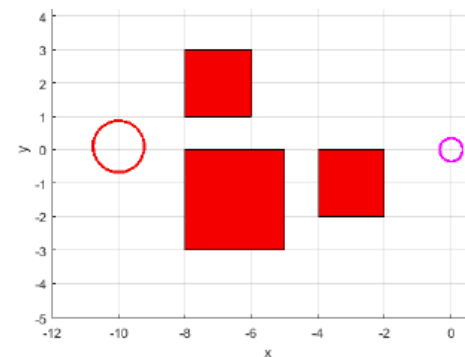
Final Covariance

for  $i = 0, \dots, N_s - 1$  and  $j = 0, \dots, N_c - 1$ , where  $\Sigma_y = \mathcal{A}\Sigma_0\mathcal{A}^\top + \mathcal{D}\mathcal{D}^\top$

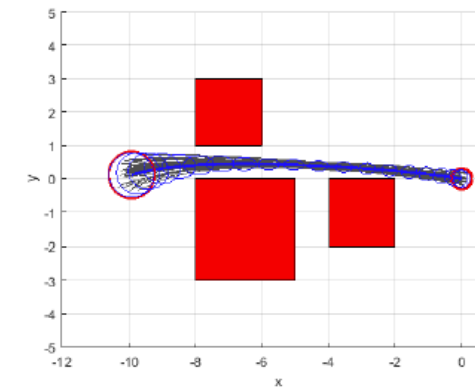
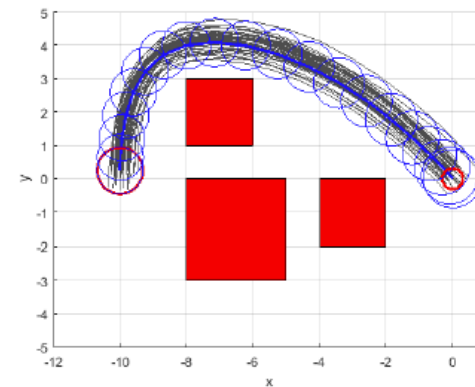
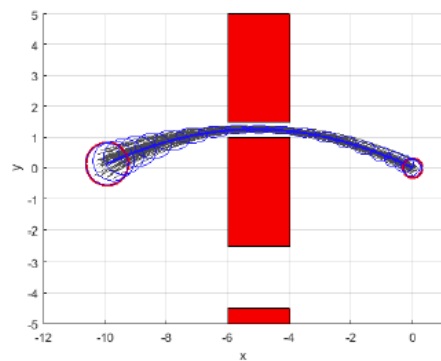
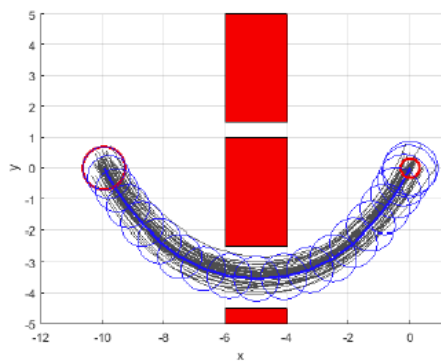
## Example: Receding Horizon



(a) Problem setup.



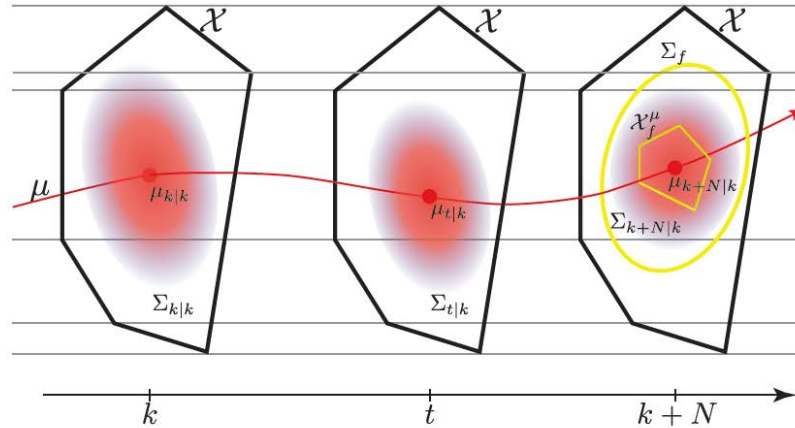
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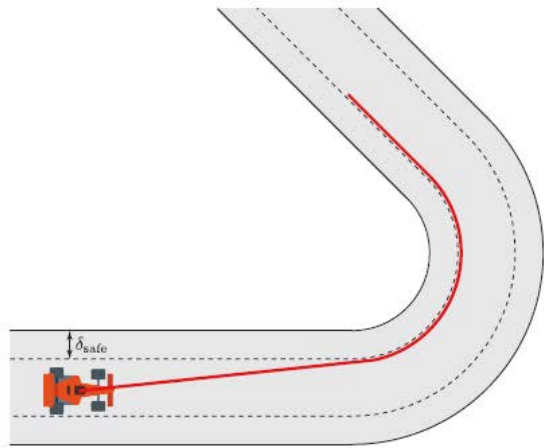
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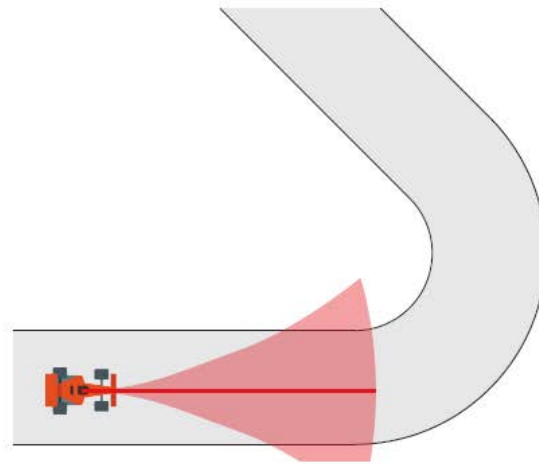
## Example: Tube based Receding Horizon



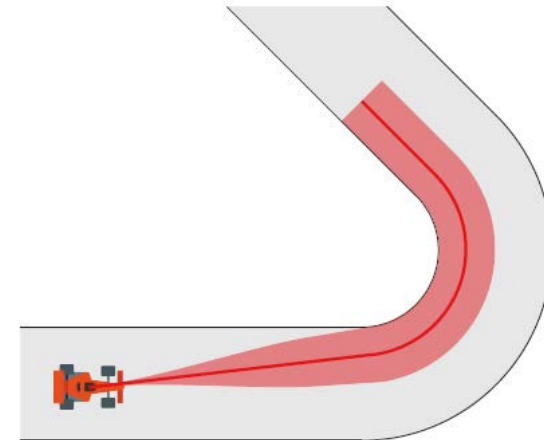
At the end of the horizon, the state **mean** has to be in a **yellow polytope**, and the system **covariance** has to be smaller a **yellow ellipse**.



(a) Deterministic MPC.



(b) Stochastic MPC with open-loop vehicle dynamics.



(c) Stochastic Tube-MPC.

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# Topics:

## ➤ Chane Constrained Control

- i) Trajectory optimization, ii) RRT\*, iii) PRM, iv) Motion Primitive
- v) Continuous-Time Safety Guarantees

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## ➤ Sum-of-Squares based Probabilistic Safety Verification in Continuous-Time

## ➤ Distributionally Robust Chance Constrained Set for Moment Ambiguity Sets

# **Sum-of-Squares based Probabilistic Safety Verification of Continuous-Time Nonlinear Stochastic Systems**

- For safety of probabilistic continuous-time dynamical systems  
We look for **Barrier functions**, similar to robust case ([Lecture 8](#))

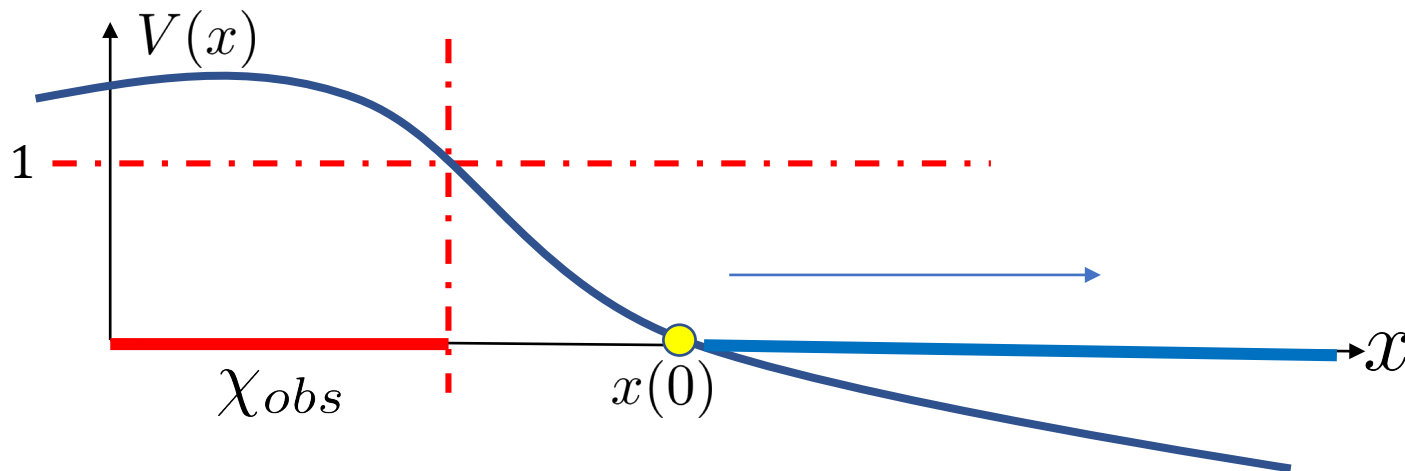
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## ➤ In Safety Verification

- Uncertain nonlinear dynamical system  $\dot{x} = f(x, u, \omega)$
- Bounded Uncertainty  $\omega \in \Omega$
- Unsafe Set  $\chi_{obs}$
- Initial state  $x(0)$
- Policy  $u(x)$

➤ Given policy  $u(x)$  is safe if there exist a function  $V(x)$  (Barrier function)

$$V(x(0)) = 0 \quad V(x) \geq 1 \quad \forall x \in \chi_{obs} \quad \dot{V}(x, \omega) = \frac{\partial V(x)}{\partial x} f(x, u(x), \omega) \leq 0 \quad \forall x, \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega$$



$$u(x) : \dot{V}(x, \omega) \leq 0 \quad \forall x, \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega$$

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

- Ordinary Differential Equation (ODE)

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = f(x(t))$$

- Stochastic Differential Equation (SDE)

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = f(x(t)) + g(x(t))\zeta(t) \rightarrow \text{Gaussian stochastic process}$$

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➤ **Stopped Process**

- In general stochastic process  $x(t)$  is not guaranteed to always remain inside the set  $\chi$
- We define the stopped process with respect to  $x(t)$  and  $\chi$  as follows

$$\tilde{x}(t) = \begin{cases} x(t) & \text{For } t < \tau \\ x(\tau) & \text{For } t \geq \tau \end{cases} \quad \tau: \text{ is the first time of exit of } x(t) \text{ form the set } \chi$$

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### SOS Program

$$\min_{\gamma, B(x)} \gamma$$

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## Example:

$$dx_1(t) = x_2(t)dt,$$

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diffusion coefficient

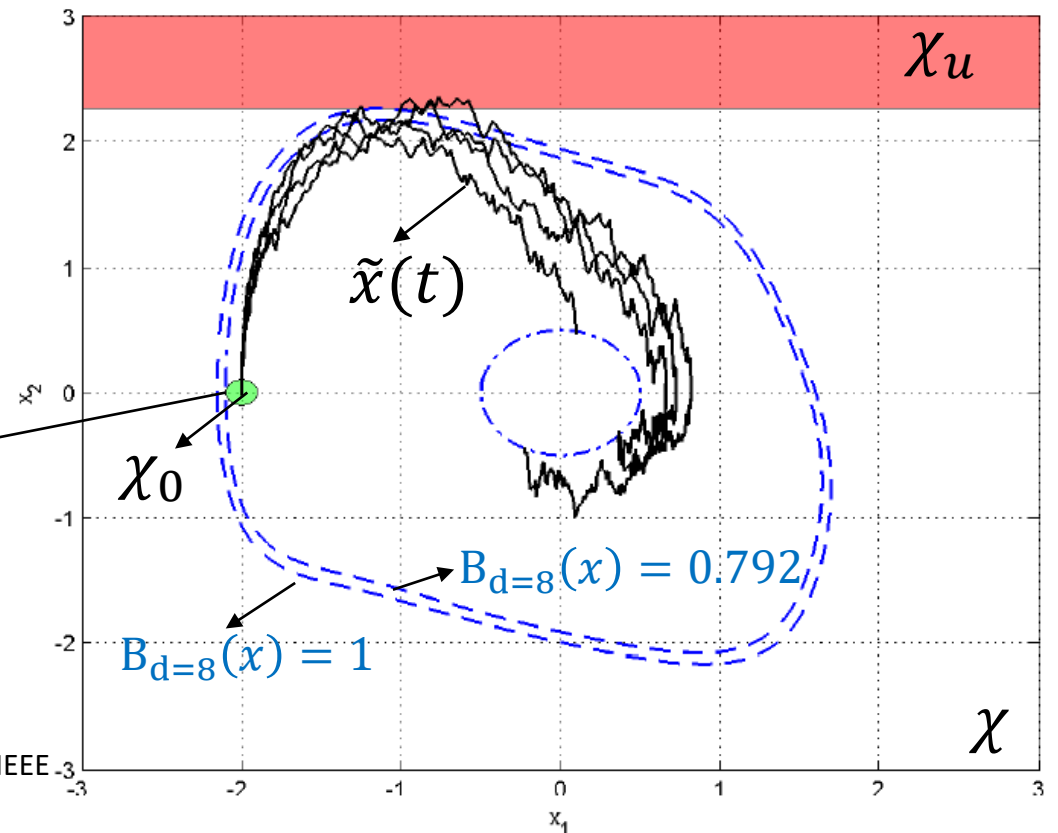
$$\mathcal{X} = \{(x_1, x_2) : -3 \leq x_1 \leq 3, -3 \leq x_2 \leq 3, x_1^2 + x_2^2 \geq 0.5^2\}$$

$$\mathcal{X}_0 = \{(x_1, x_2) : (x_1 + 2)^2 + x_2^2 \leq 0.1^2\}$$

$$\mathcal{X}_u = \{(x_1, x_2) \in \mathcal{X} : x_2 \geq 2.25\}$$

	Degree= 4	Degree= 6	Degree= 8	Degree= 10
$\sigma = 0.5$	$\gamma = 1$	$\gamma = 0.847$	$\gamma = 0.792$	$\gamma = 0.771$
$\sigma = 0.25$	$\gamma = 0.848$	$\gamma = 0.616$	$\gamma = 0.472$	$\gamma = 0.412$
$\sigma = 0.1$	$\gamma = 0.824$	$\gamma = 0.450$	$\gamma = 0.257$	$\gamma = 0.157$

$$B(x) \leq \gamma \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{X}_0$$



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# Distributionally Robust Chance Constrained Set for Moment Ambiguity Sets

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First order moments (mean vector)  $m \in [\underline{m}, \bar{m}]$

Second order moments (Covariance Matrix)  $\Sigma \in [\underline{\delta}I \preceq \Sigma \preceq \bar{\delta}I]$  for some given  $\underline{\delta}, \bar{\delta} > 0$

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- Moment uncertainty set  $\mathcal{A} = [\underline{m}, \bar{m}] \times [\underline{\delta}I \preceq \Sigma \preceq \bar{\delta}I]$

**Probabilistic Safety Constraints:**  $\text{Probability}( g_i(x, \omega) \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, n_g ) \geq 1 - \Delta$   
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**Distributionally Robust Chance Constrained Set:**

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- We leverage on the results of lecture 8 ( Distributionally Robust Chance Constrained Optimization )

In lecture 8: Sum-of-Squares Program to construct the set

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Uncertain Parameters of probability distribution

- In this lecture, Uncertainty set of probability distribution ,i.e.,  $\mathcal{A}$  is defined based on the moments.

$$\mathcal{A} = [\underline{m}, \overline{m}] \times [\underline{\delta I} \preceq \Sigma \preceq \overline{\delta I}]$$

- We will look at dual of SOS program provided in lecture 8. (moment SDP)
- Set  $\mathcal{A}$  will introduce new set of moment constraints to moment SDP.

# Distributionally Robust Chance Constrained Set with Moment Ambiguity Set

- Uncertainty  $\omega$  has unknown probability distribution on uncertainty set  $\Omega$
- We have the uncertain information of the first and second order moments

First order moments (mean vector)

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Example:  $\omega \in \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$       $m = (m_1, m_2); \quad \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} \\ \sigma_{12} & \sigma_{22} \end{bmatrix},$

$$\mathbf{A} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \underline{m}_i \leq m_i \leq \bar{m}_i, \quad i = 1, 2; \quad 2\underline{\delta} \leq \sigma_{11} + \sigma_{22} \leq 2\bar{\delta}; \\ (\bar{\delta} - \sigma_{11})(\bar{\delta} - \sigma_{22}) - \sigma_{12}^2 \geq 0; \quad (\sigma_{11} - \underline{\delta})(\sigma_{22} - \underline{\delta}) - \sigma_{12}^2 \geq 0 \end{array} \right\}.$$

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# Dual of moment SDP

**Primal Conic Program**

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{x}{\text{minimize}} && \langle c, x \rangle_{V_1} \\ & \text{subject to} && A^*(x) = b \\ & && x \in K^*. \end{aligned}$$

**Dual Conic Program**

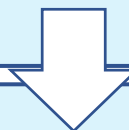
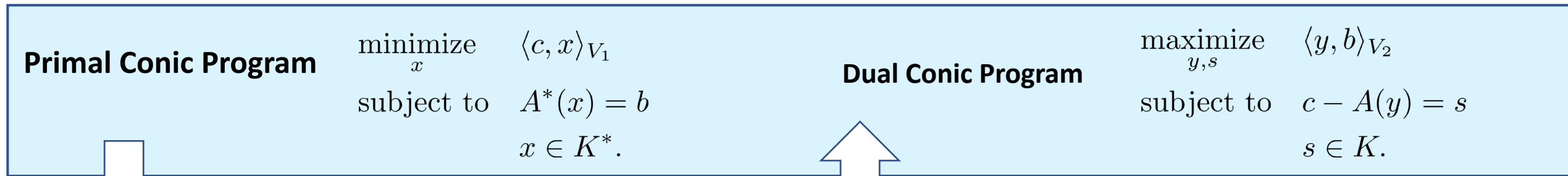
$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{y, s}{\text{maximize}} && \langle y, b \rangle_{V_2} \\ & \text{subject to} && c - A(y) = s \\ & && s \in K. \end{aligned}$$

measure space

continuous function space

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathbf{P}}_{\text{sos}}^{*d} = & \underset{\bar{\mathcal{W}}(x, \omega) \in \mathbb{R}_d[x, \omega]}{\text{minimize}} && \int \bar{\mathcal{W}}(x, \omega) p r(\omega) d\omega dx \\ & \text{subject to} && \bar{\mathcal{W}}(x, \omega) - 1 \geq 0 \quad \forall (x, \omega) \in \bar{\mathcal{K}} \\ & && \bar{\mathcal{W}}(x, \omega) \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

# Dual of moment SDP



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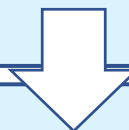
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 & \quad \bar{W}(x,\omega) \geq 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$\mu : \mu_x \times \mu_\omega$  given probability measure of uncertainties



# Dual of moment SDP

<b>Primal Conic Program</b>	minimize $\langle c, x \rangle_{V_1}$ subject to $A^*(x) = b$ $x \in K^*$ .	<b>Dual Conic Program</b>	maximize $\langle y, b \rangle_{V_2}$ subject to $c - A(y) = s$ $s \in K$ .
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$$\begin{aligned}
 &\text{maximize}_{\bar{\mu}} \int d\bar{\mu} \\
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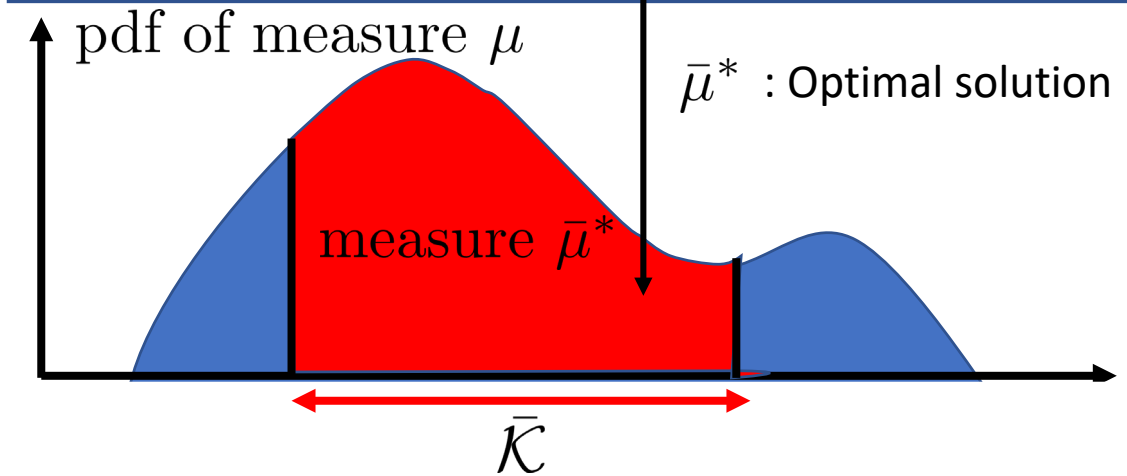
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**Moment Representation**

- Looks for moments of a measure  $\bar{\mu}$  defined in the space of  $(x, \omega)$
- Using duality, we can obtain the coefficient of polynomial  $\bar{W}$  from the solution of moment SDP.

**Polynomial Representation**

- Looks for coefficients of the polynomial  $\bar{W}$  in the space of  $(x, \omega)$

$$h(x) = \int \bar{W}(x, \omega) pr(\omega) d\omega \quad \bar{X}_{CC} = \{x \in \chi : \bar{h}(x) \leq \Delta\}$$

[https://github.com/jasour/rarnop19/blob/master/Lecture11 Probabilistic Nonlinear Control/Risk Contours Map/Example 1 RiskContour Inner.m](https://github.com/jasour/rarnop19/blob/master/Lecture11%20Probabilistic%20Nonlinear%20Control/Risk%20Contours%20Map/Example%201%20RiskContour%20Inner.m)

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- Measure LP for distributionally robust chance constrained optimization is defined in terms of measure  $\mu_x \times \mu_\omega \times \mu_a$  and its marginal measures  $\mu_x \times \mu_\omega$  and  $\mu_x \times \mu_a$  where,  $\mu_a$  is probability measure on  $\mathcal{A}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} & \underset{\bar{\mu}, \psi_{x_a}}{\text{maximize}} && \int d\bar{\mu} \\ & \text{subject to} && \bar{\mu} \preceq \psi_{x_\omega} \\ & && \text{supp}(\bar{\mu}) \subset \bar{\mathcal{K}} \\ & && \text{supp}(\psi_{x_a}) \subset \chi \times \mathcal{A} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\psi_{x_a}, \psi_{x_\omega}$  are marginal measures of  $\psi_{x_\omega a}$  and  $\psi_x$  is the Lebesgue measure on  $\chi$ .

- Measure LP for distributionally robust chance constrained optimization for  $\mathcal{A} = [\underline{m}, \bar{m}] \times [\underline{\delta I} \preceq \Sigma \preceq \bar{\delta I}]$

$$\begin{aligned}
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 & && \text{supp}(\psi_{x\omega}) \subset \chi \times \Omega \\
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 & && \int x^\alpha \omega_i \omega_j d\bar{\mu} + \int x^\alpha \omega_i \omega_j d\phi_{x\omega} = \int x^\alpha \sigma_{ij} d\phi_{xa} \quad 1 \leq i < j \leq p
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