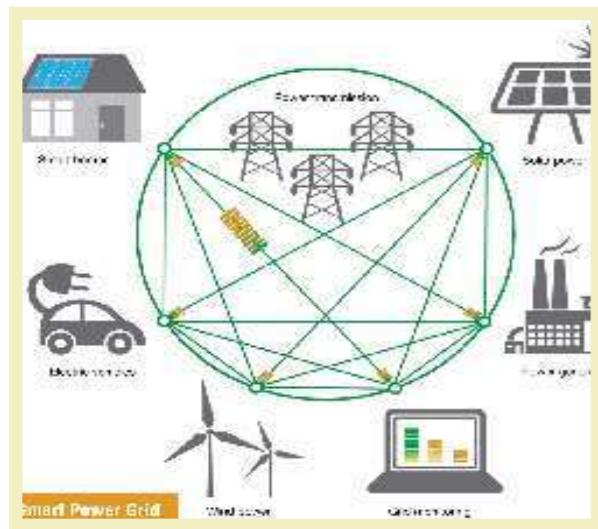


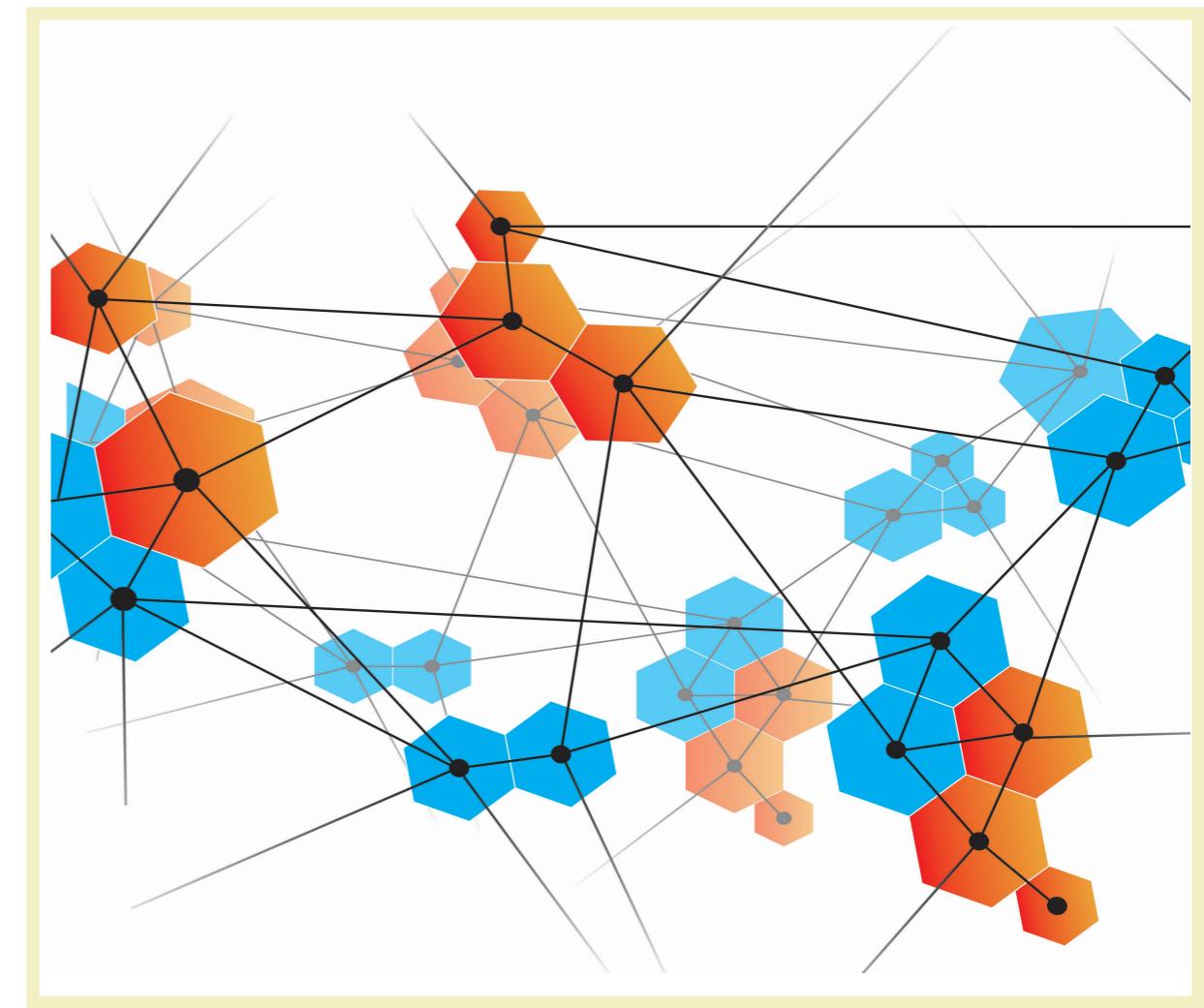
ARCHITECTURES OF MULTI-AGENT SYSTEMS: DYNAMIC PROPERTIES AND INFORMATION EXCHANGE NETWORKS

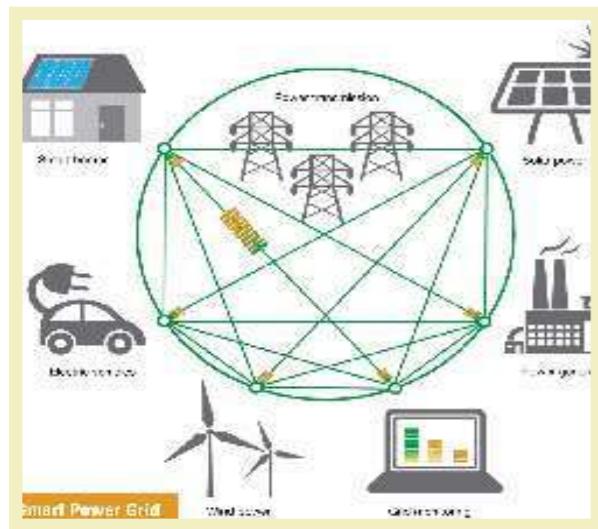
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NETWORKS OF DYNAMICAL SYSTEMS ARE ONE OF THE ENABLING TECHNOLOGIES OF THE FUTURE

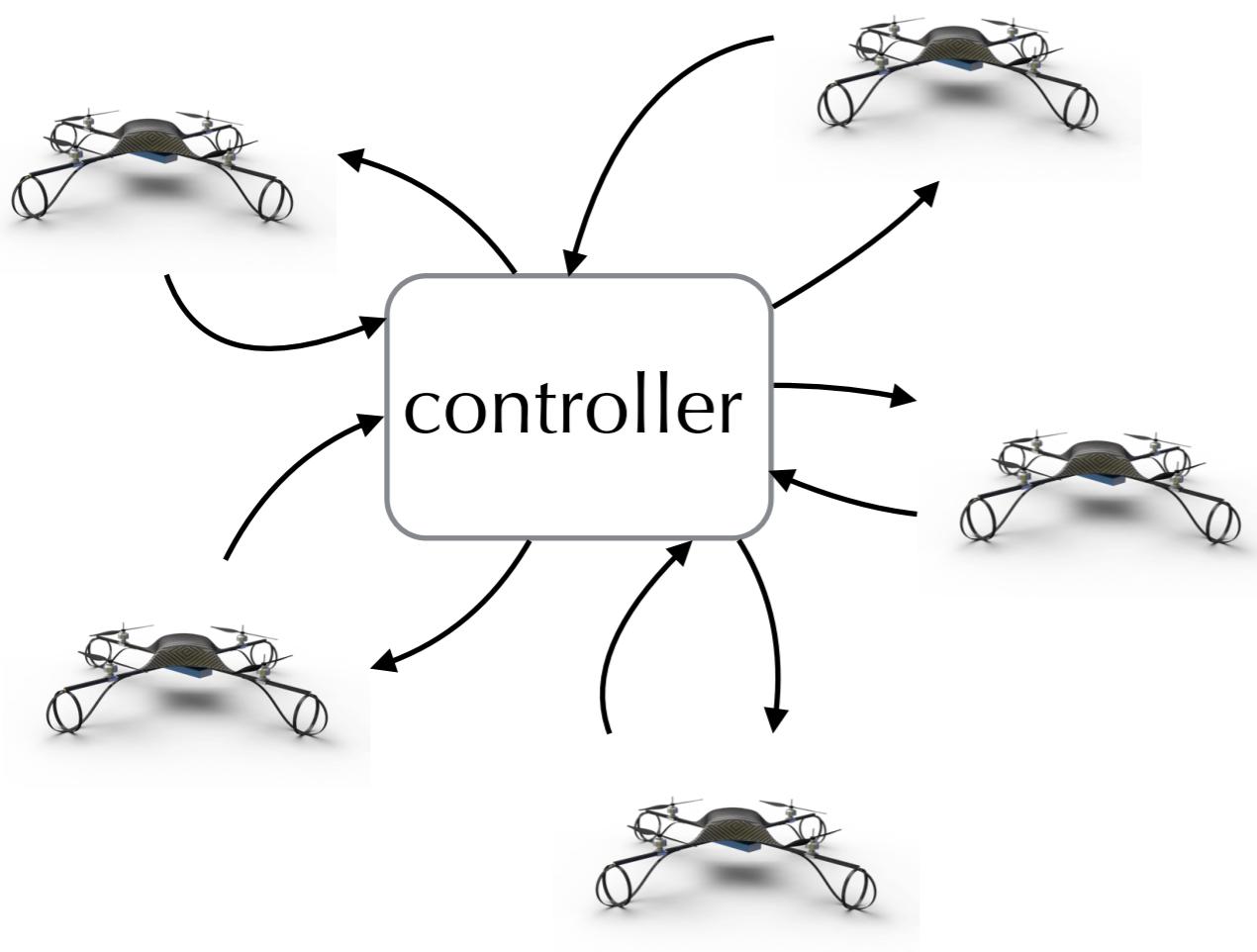




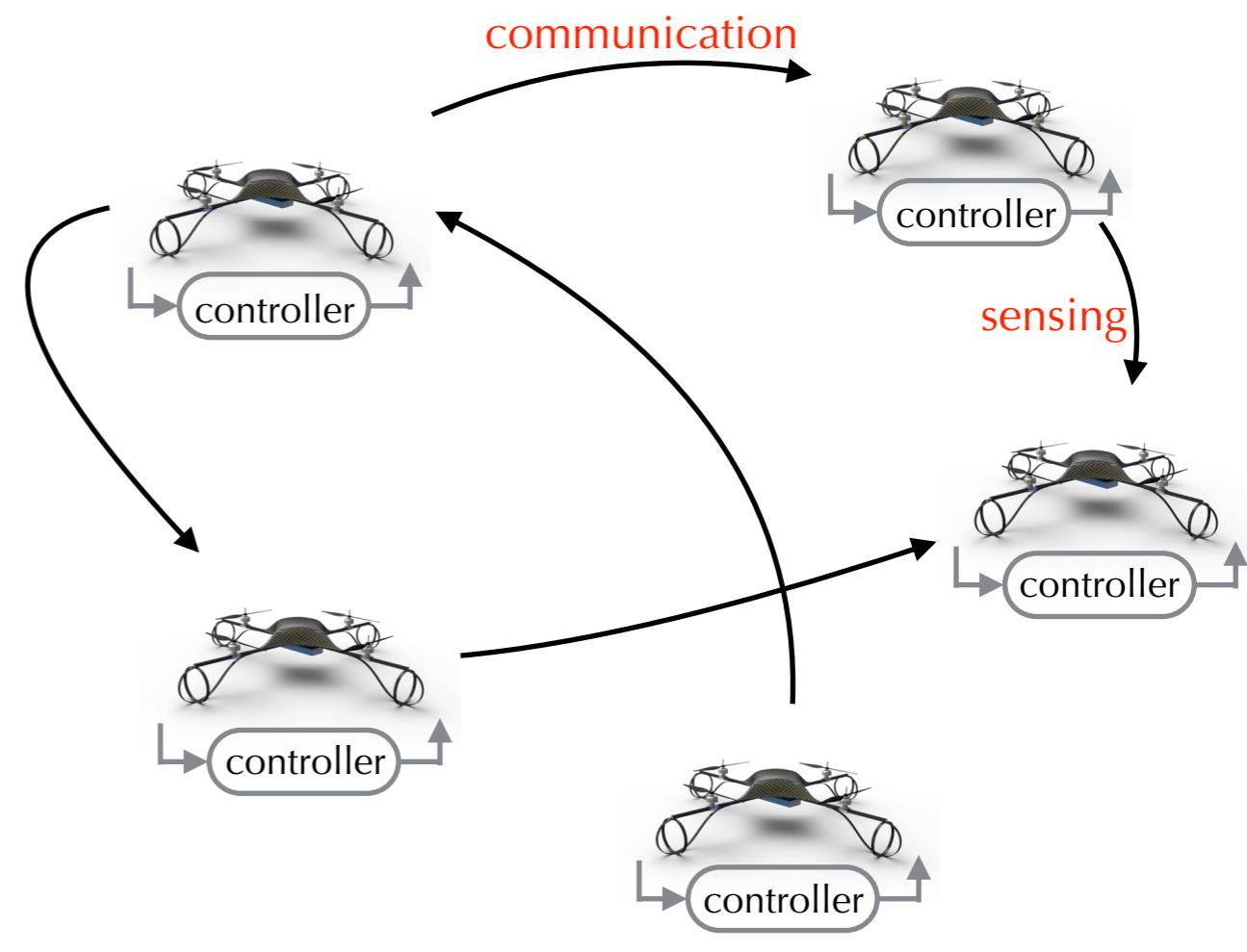
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HOW DO WE CONTROL MULTI-AGENT SYSTEMS?

centralized approach

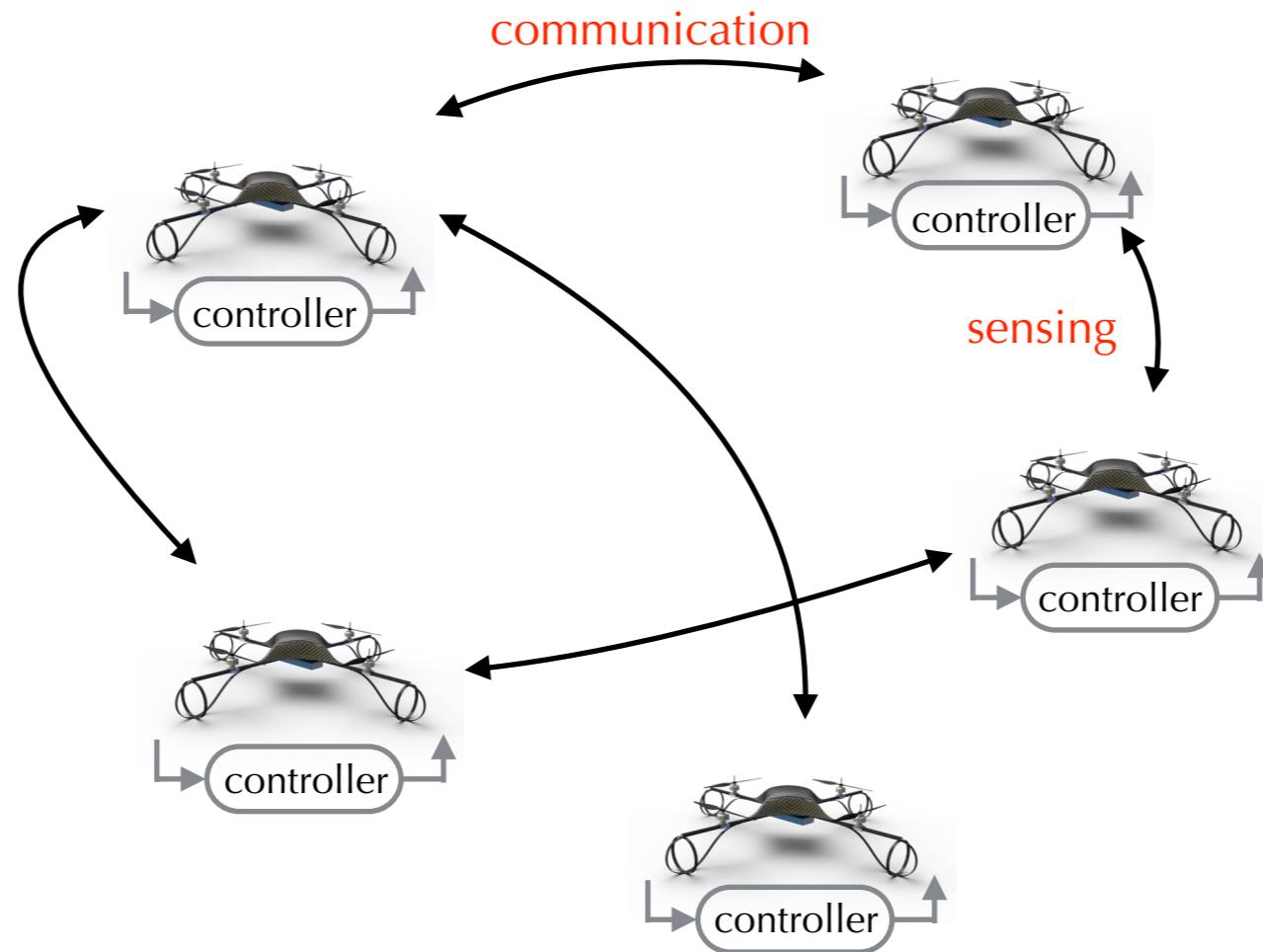


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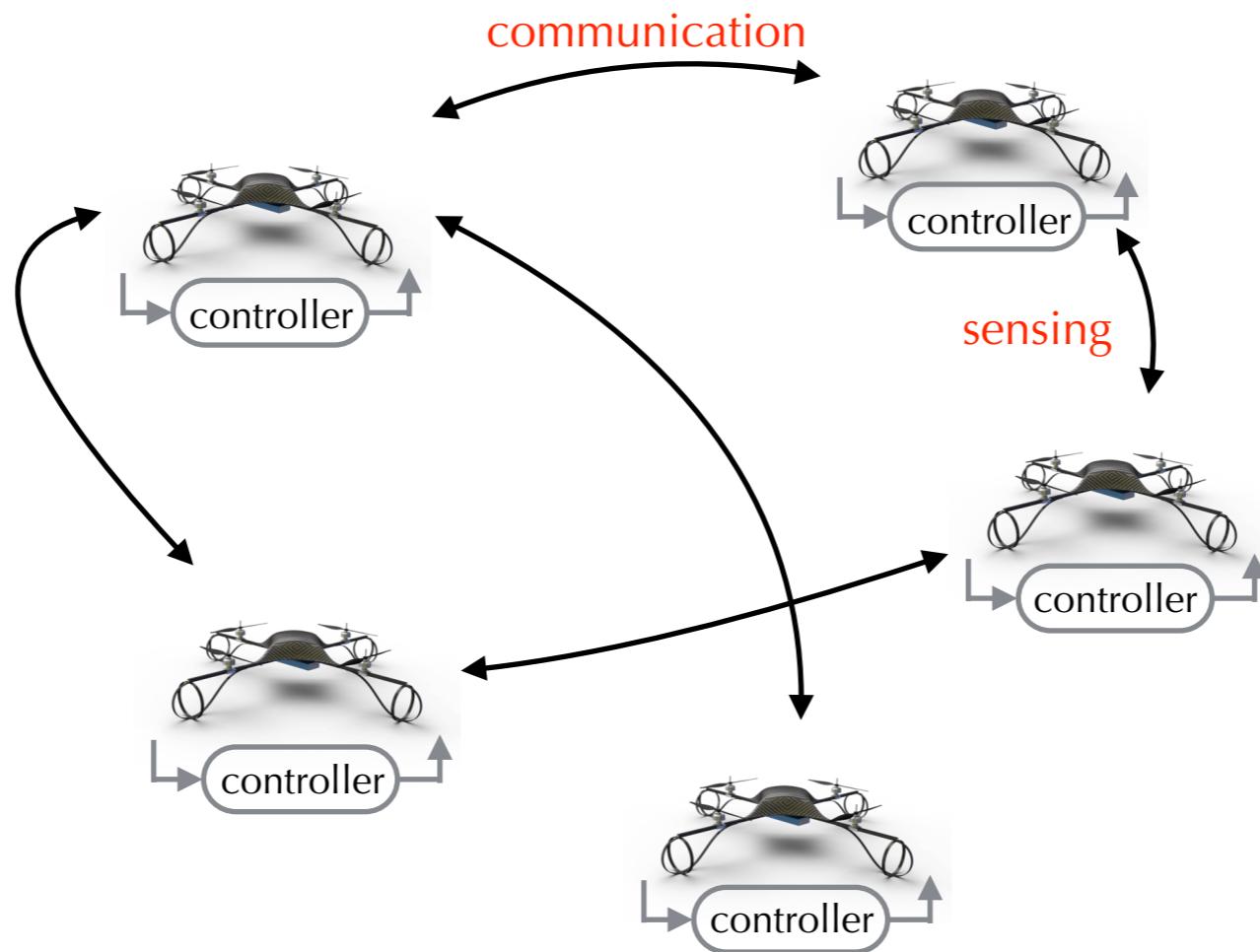
not scalable
not robust

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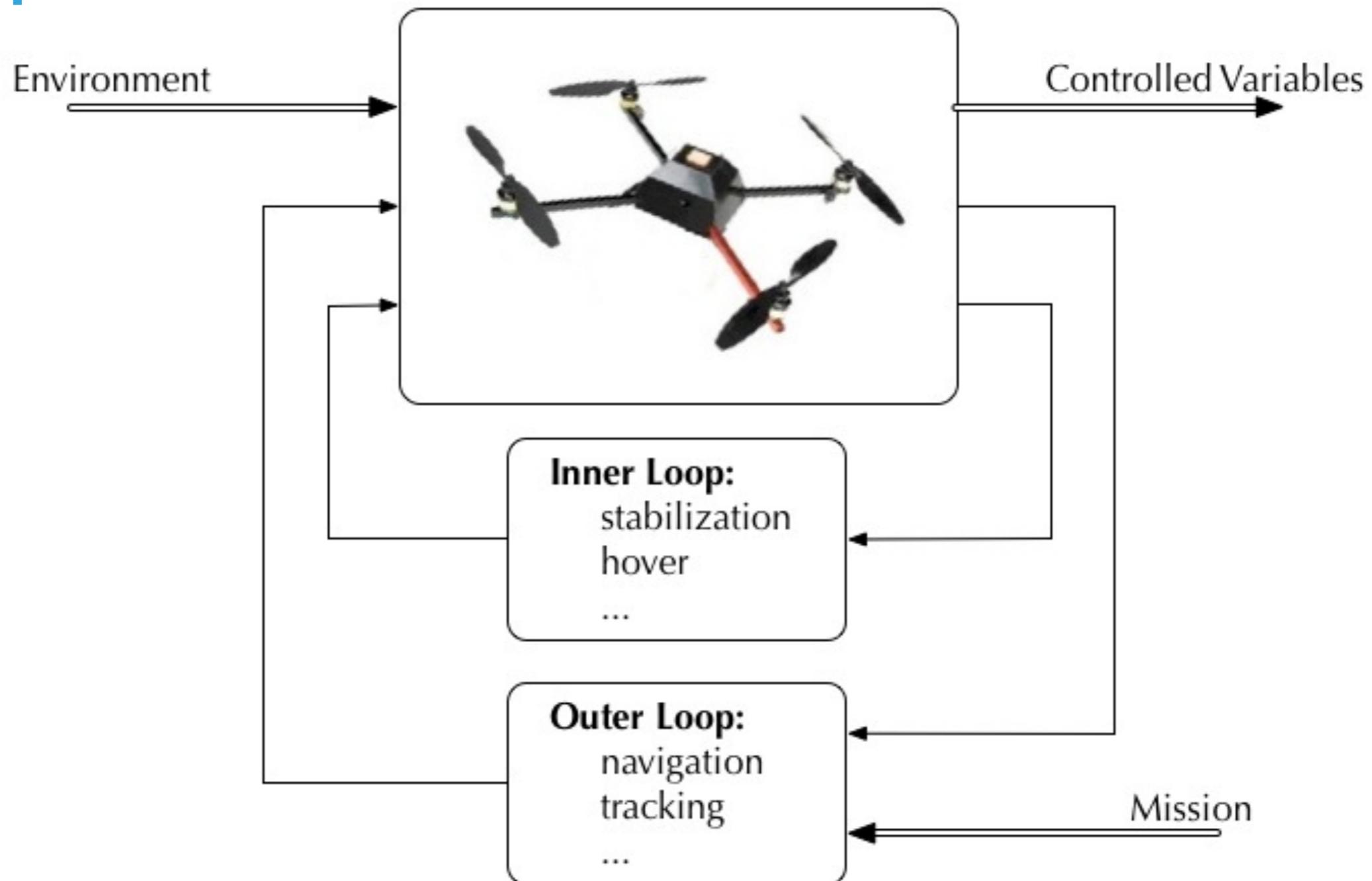
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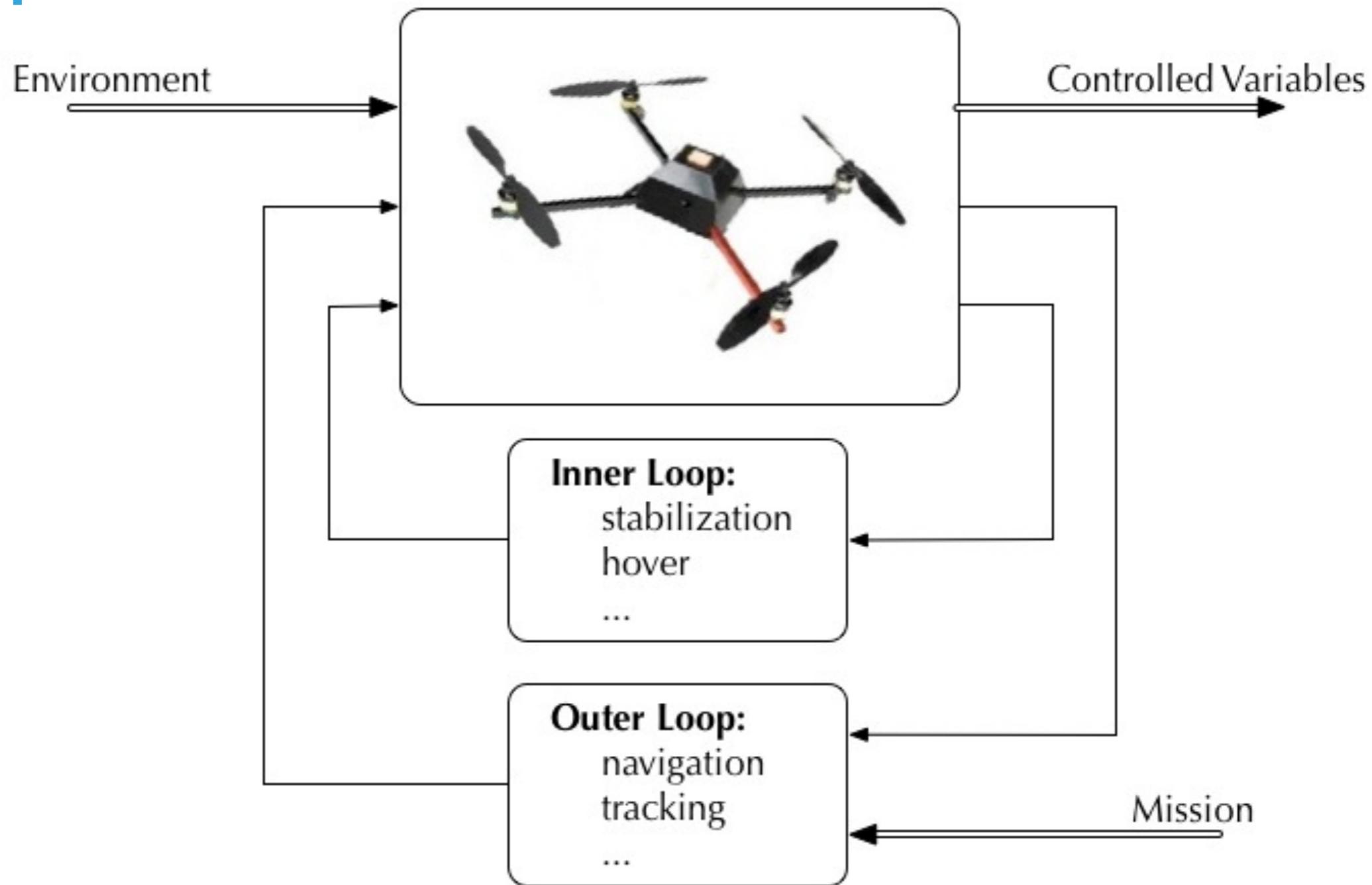
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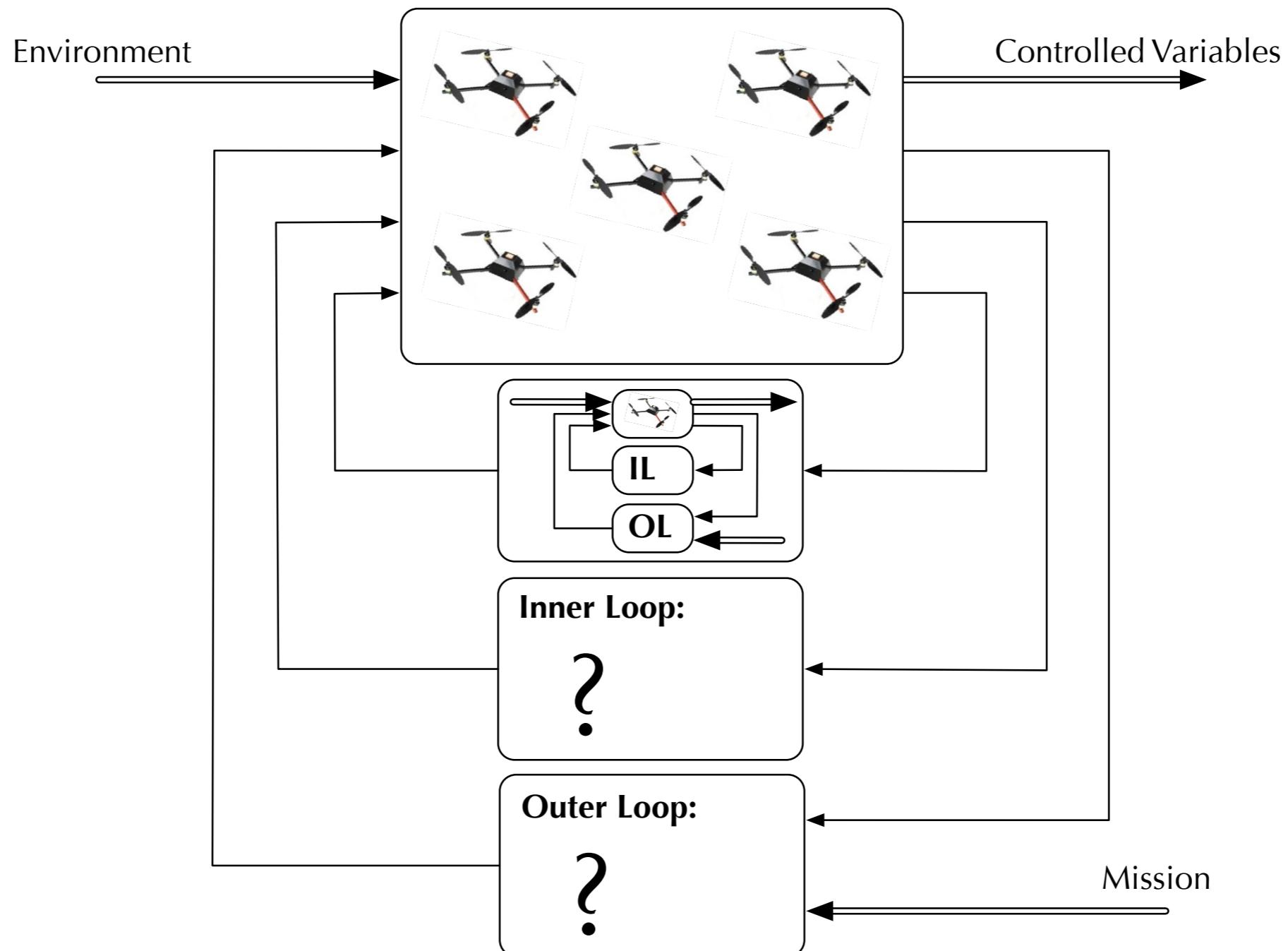


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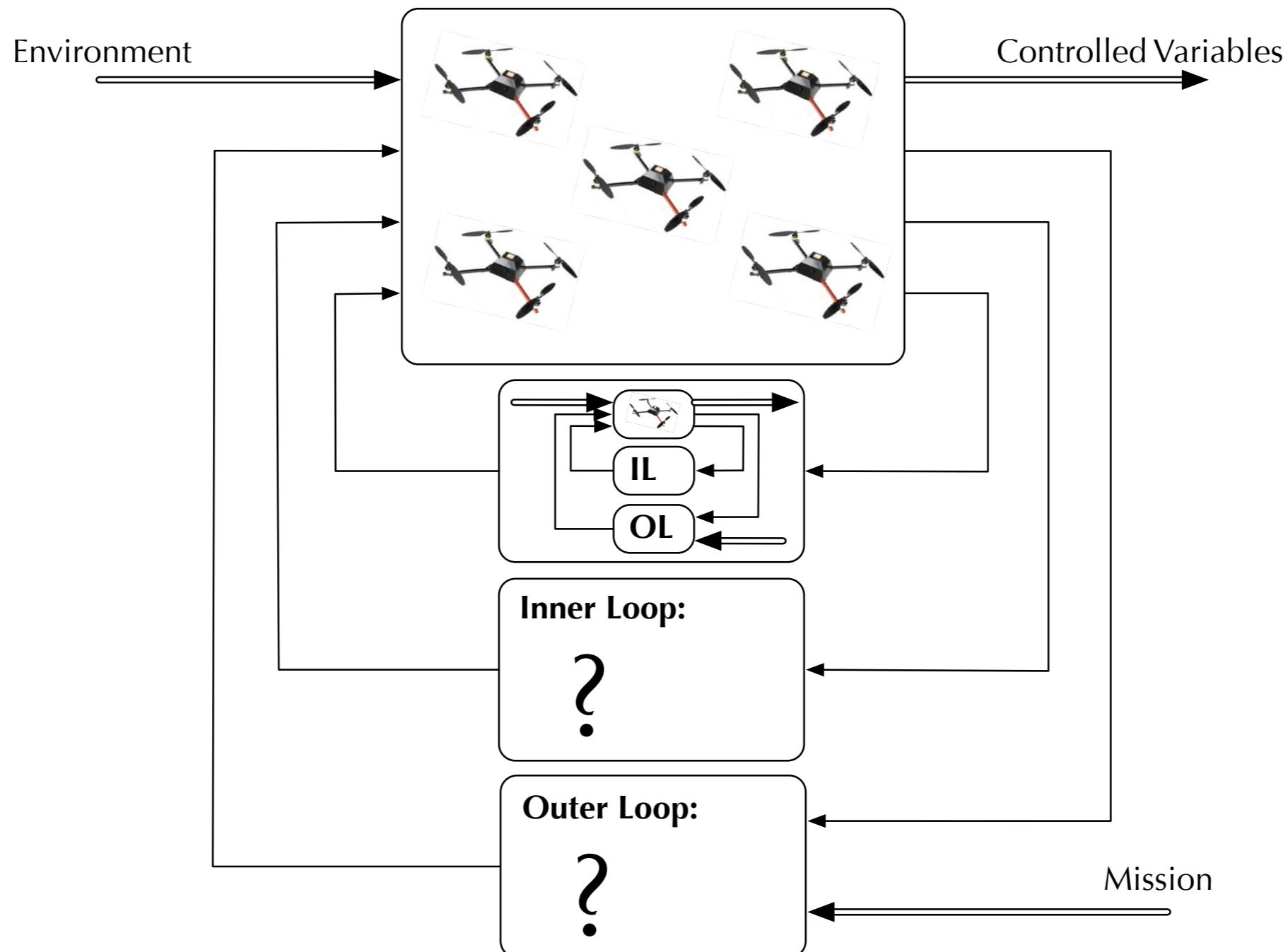


► **dynamics**

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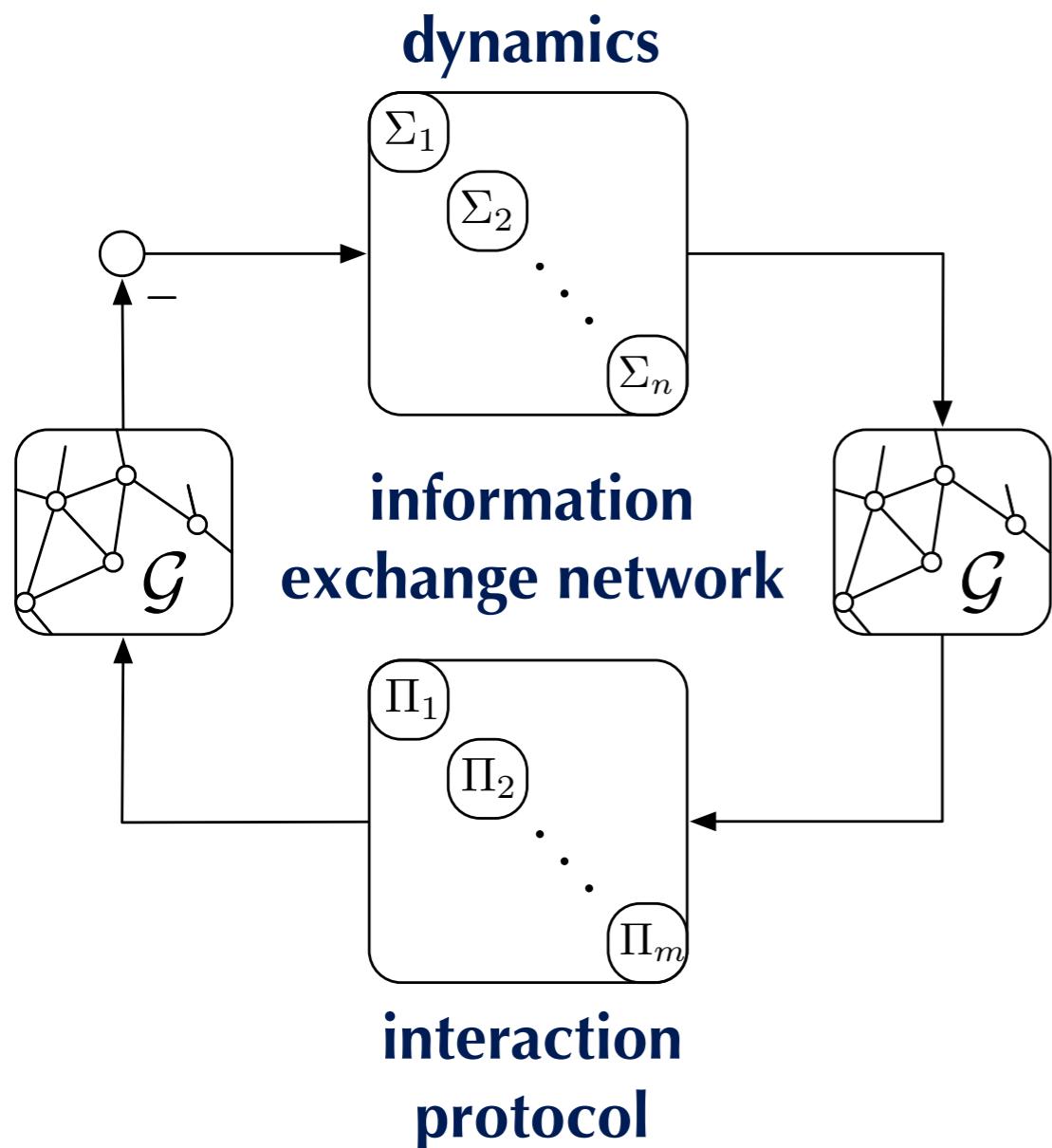


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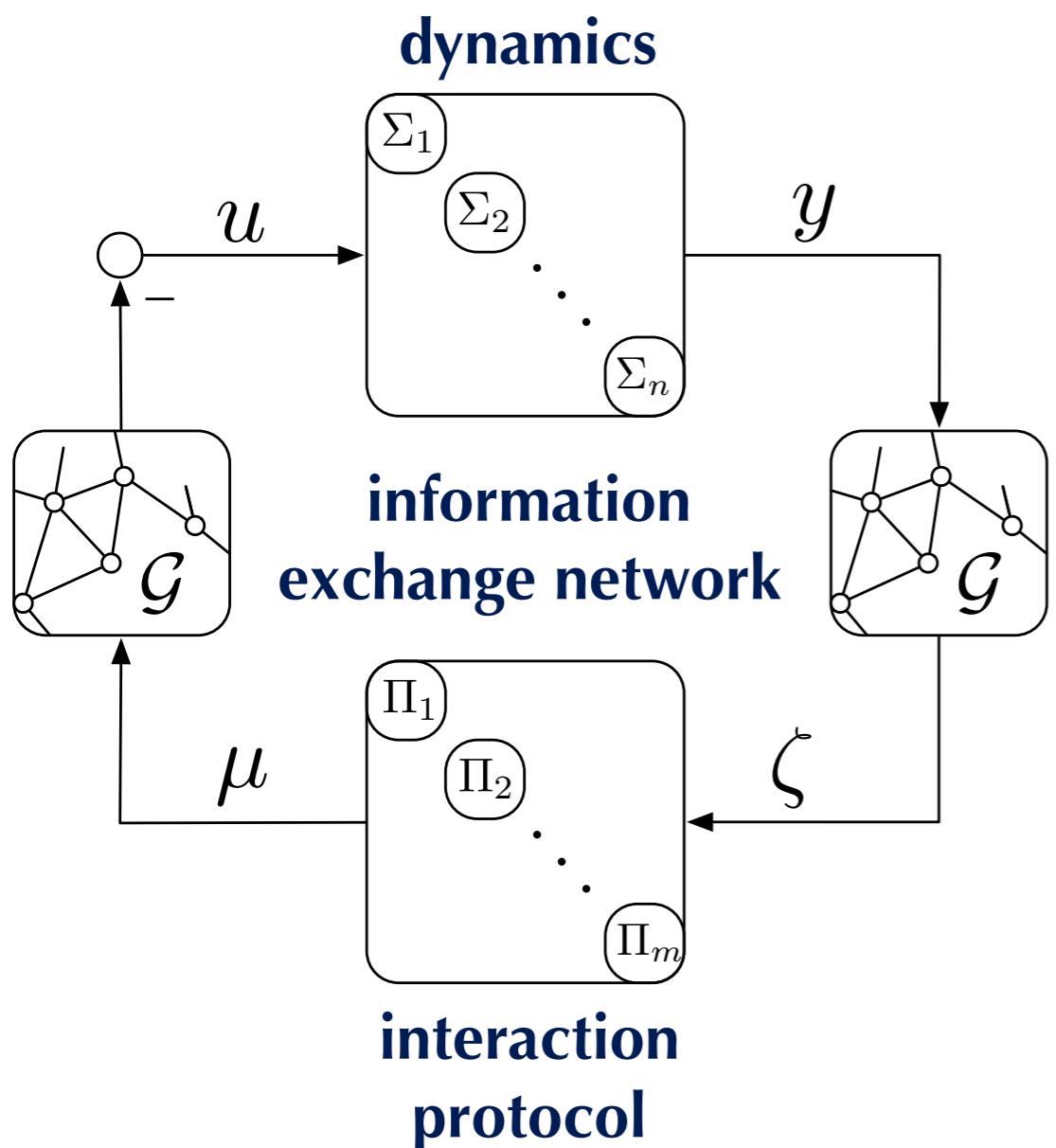
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MULTI-AGENT SYSTEM ARCHITECTURES



- ▶ the networked system
- ▶ dynamics for coordination
- ▶ information exchange architectures

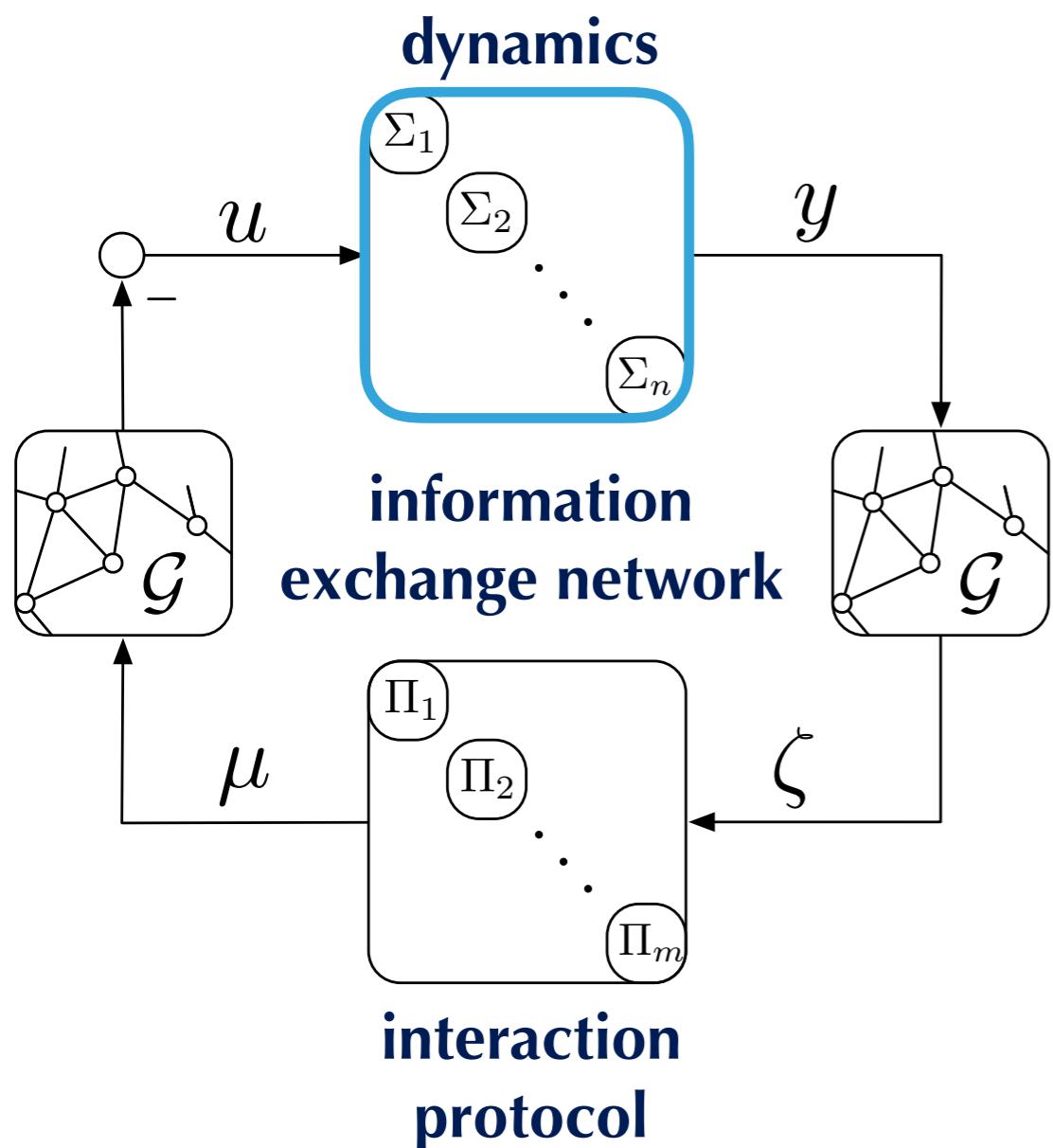
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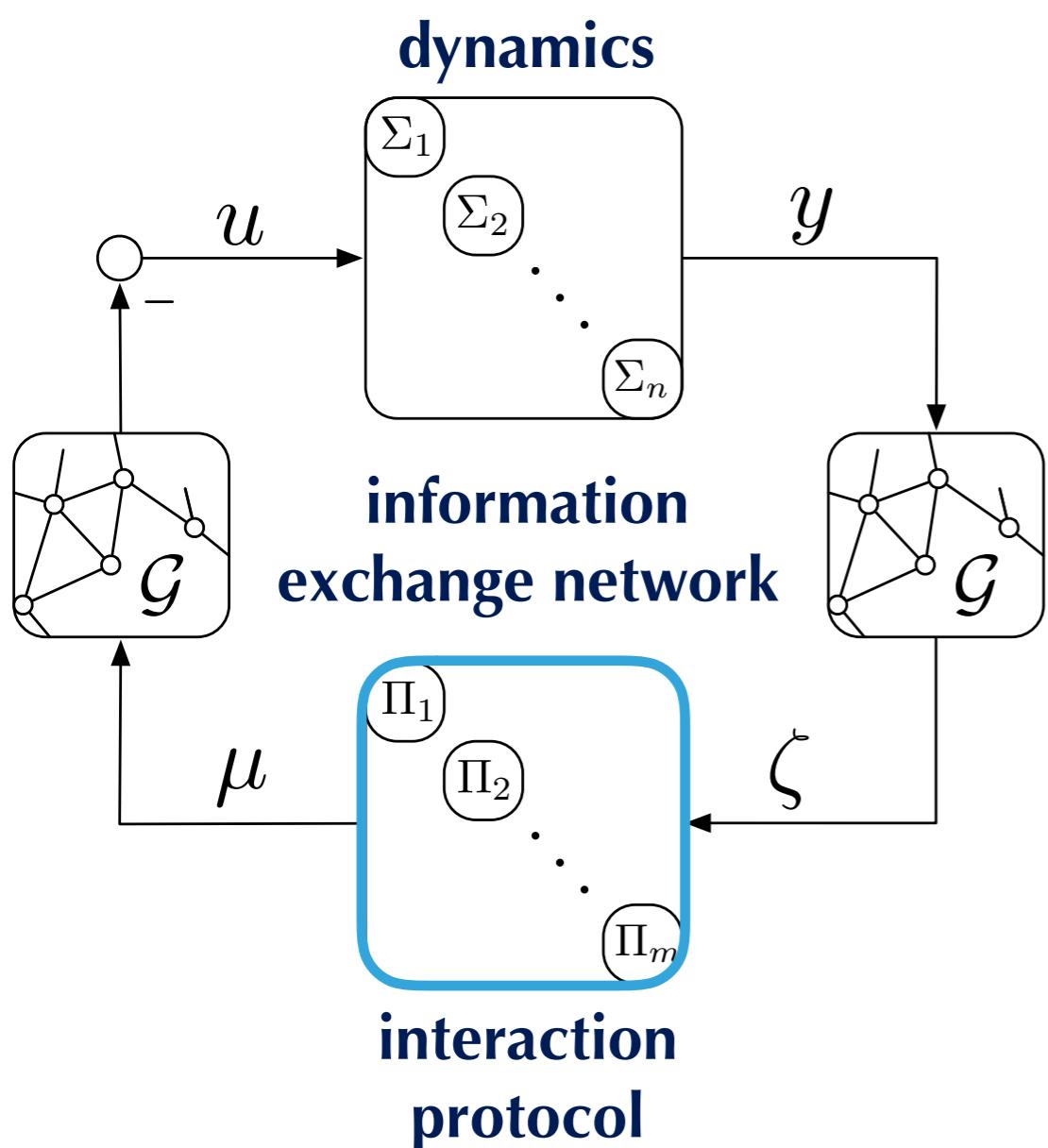
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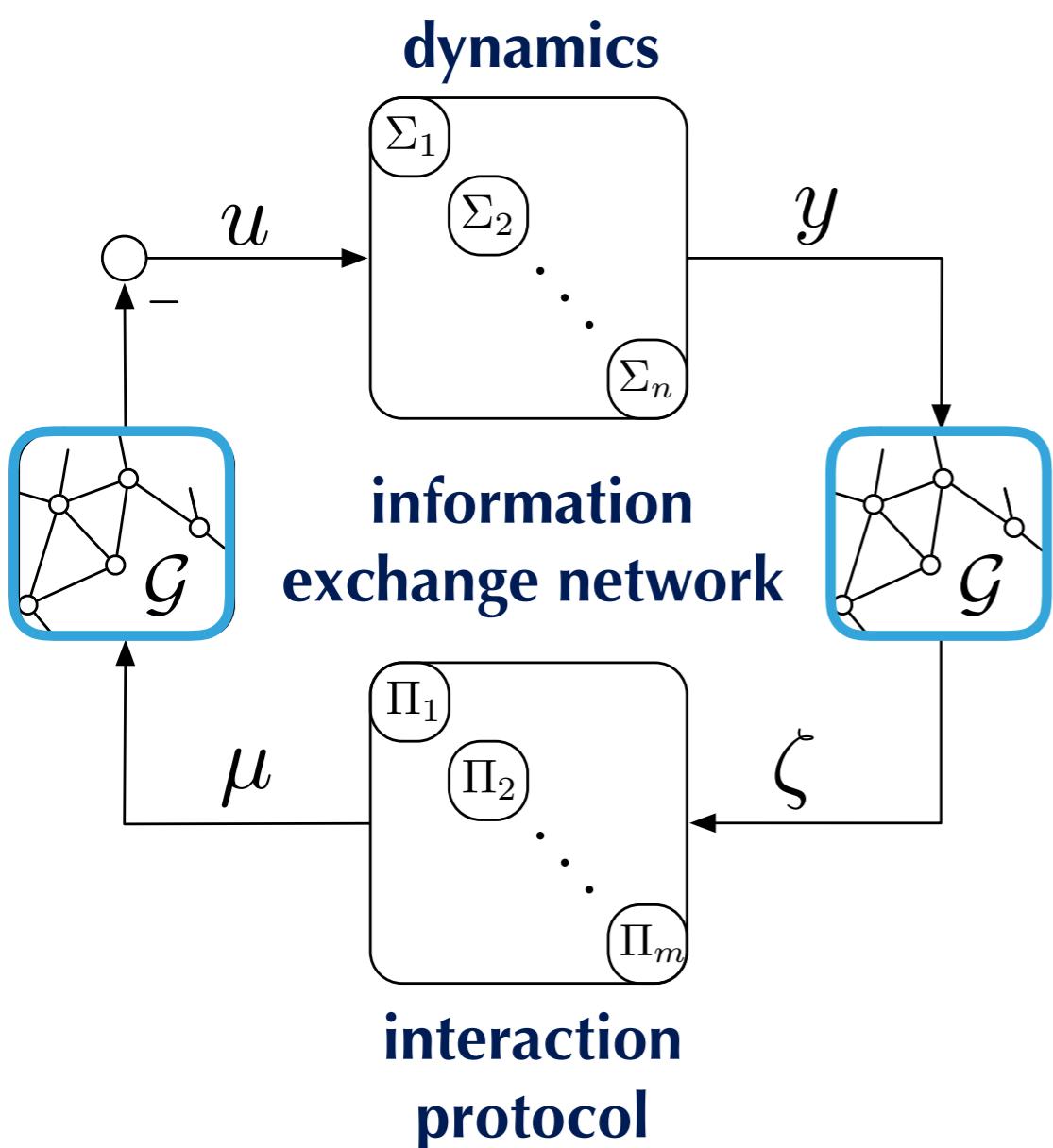
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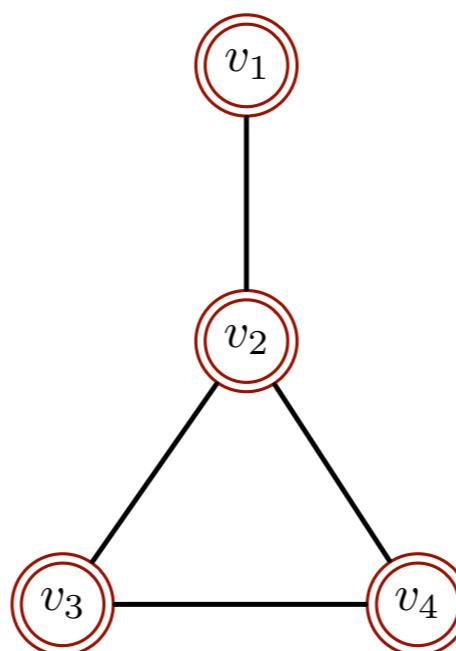
Information Exchange Network

A Graph

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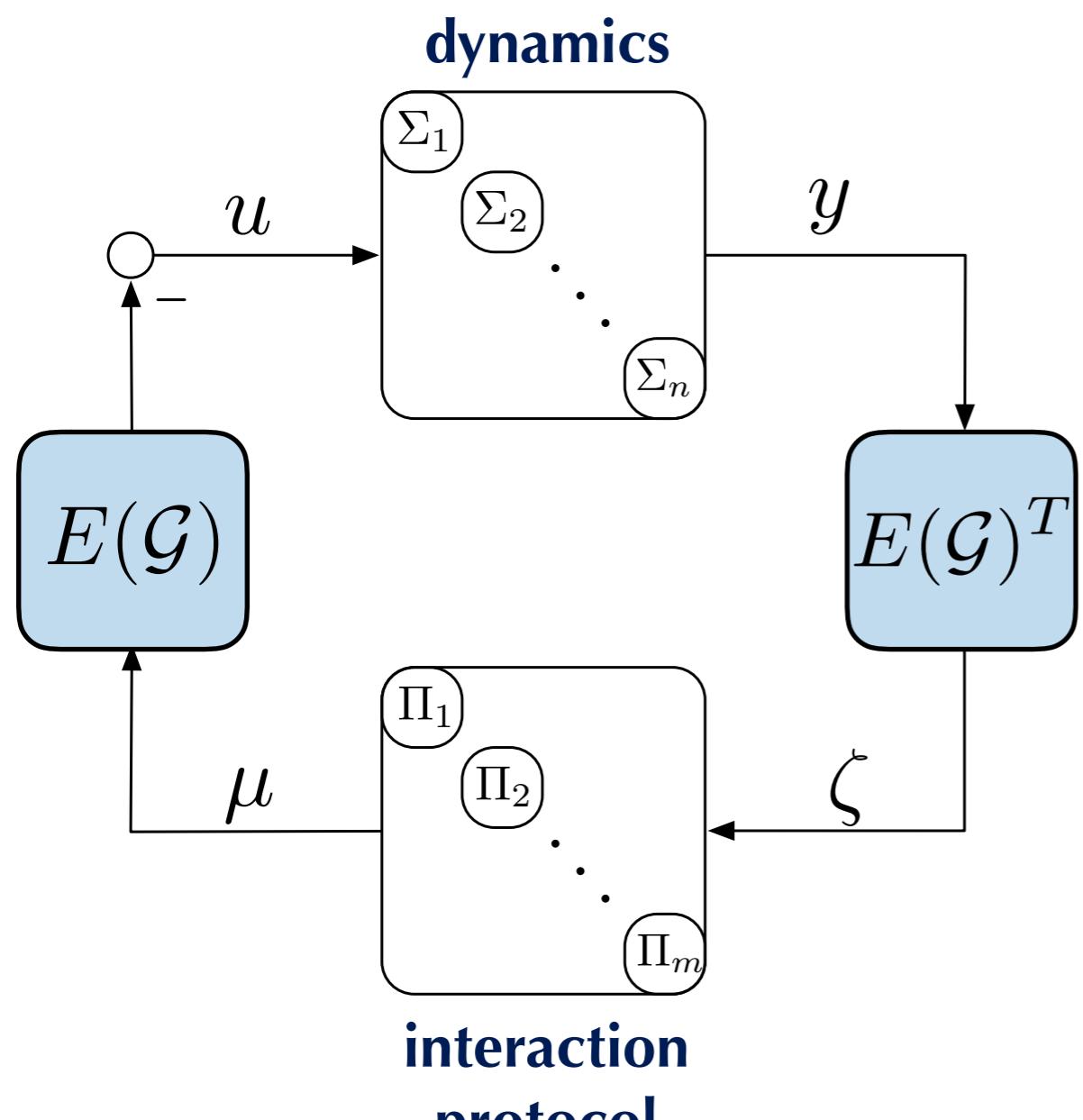
Incidence Matrix

$$E(\mathcal{G}) \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{V}| \times |\mathcal{E}|}$$



$$E(\mathcal{G}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

DIFFUSIVELY COUPLED NETWORKS



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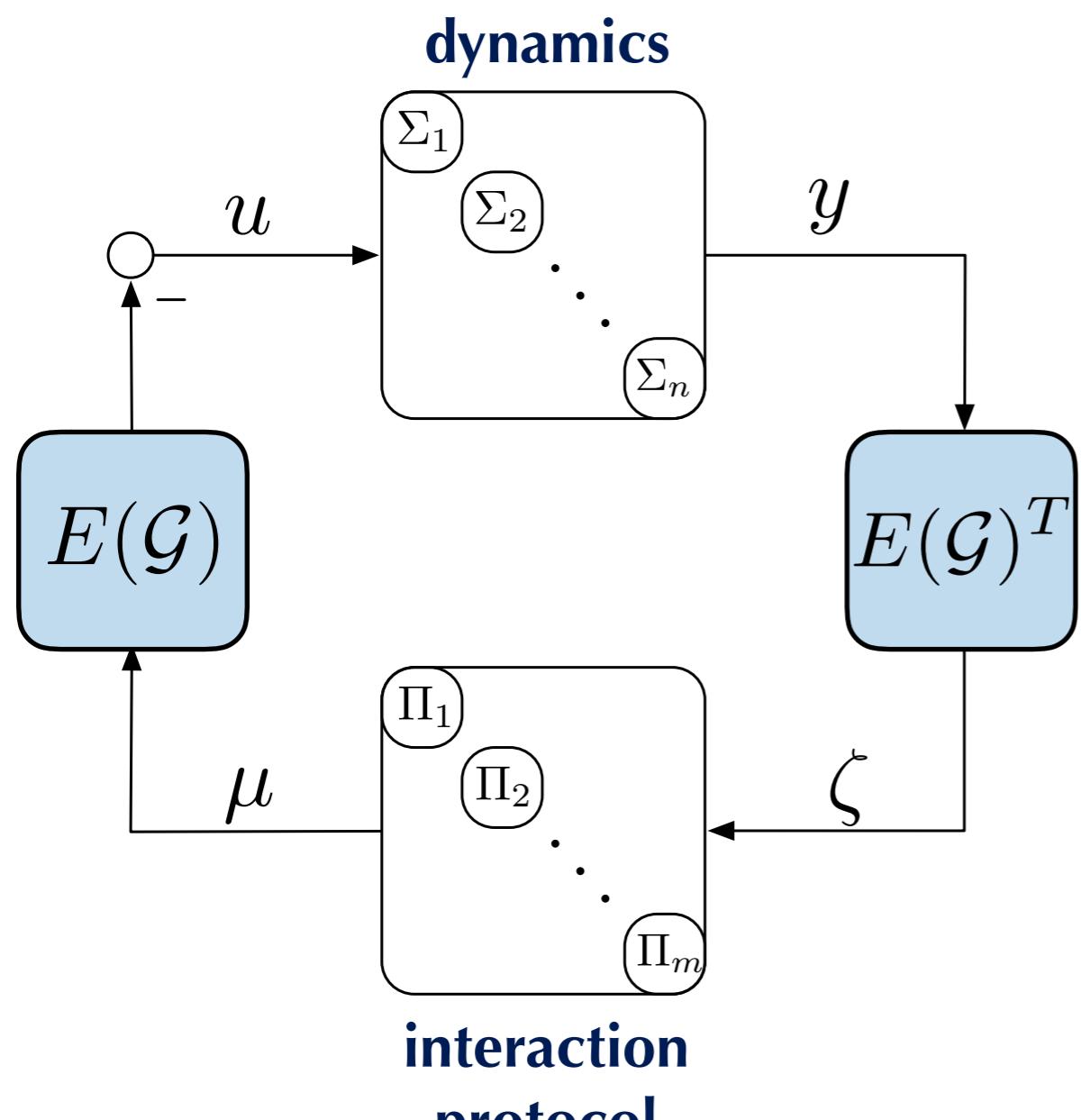
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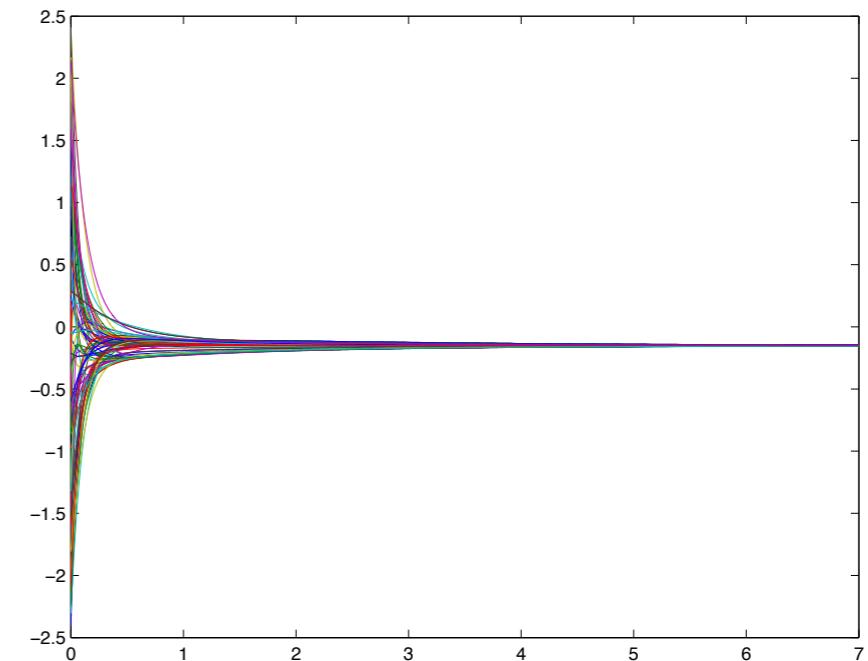
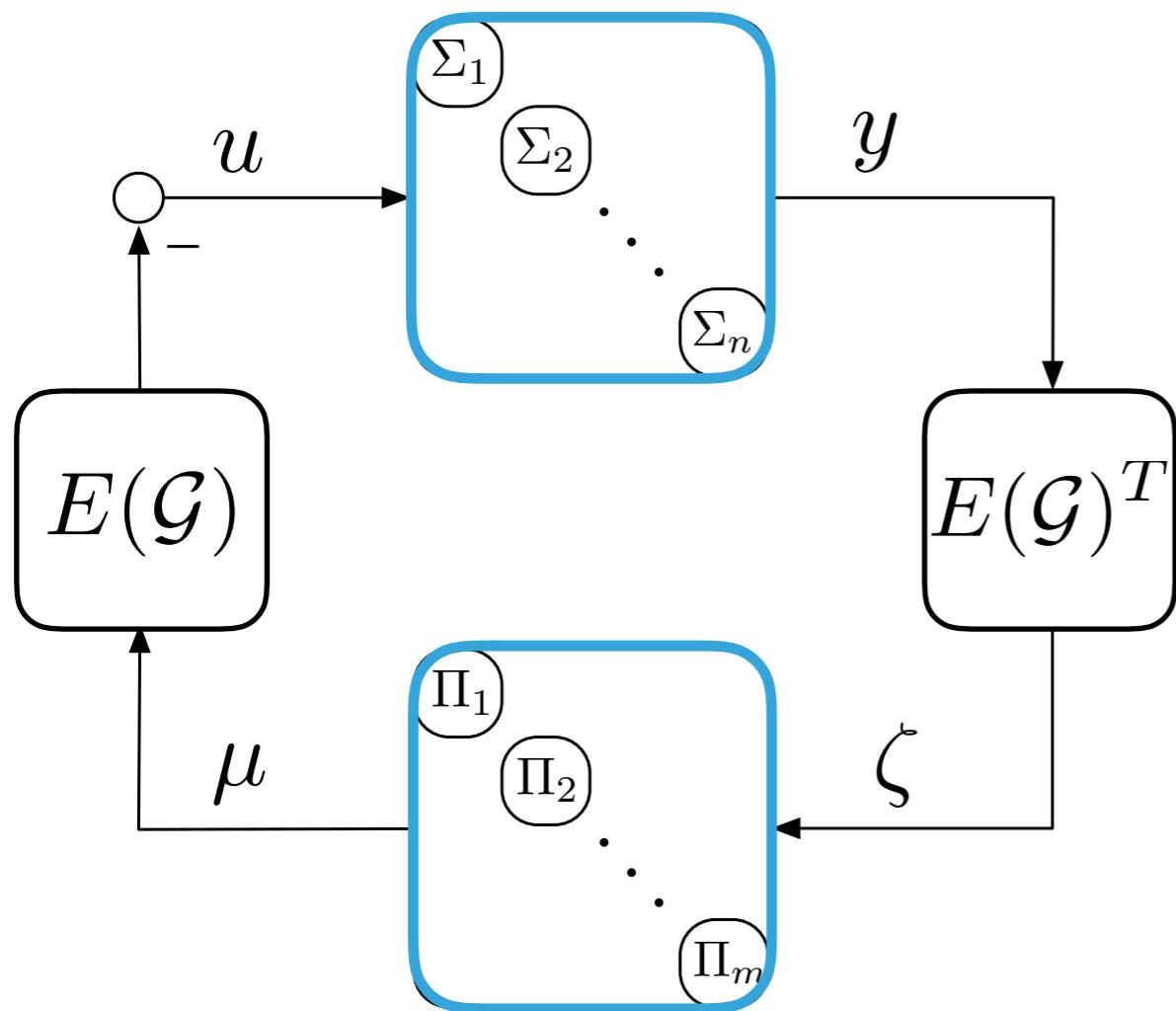
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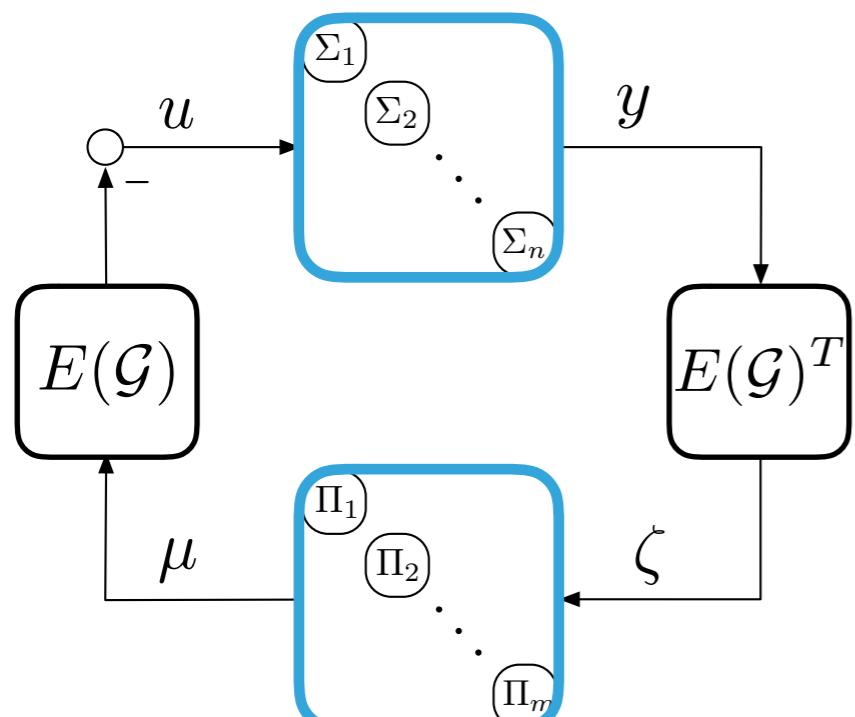
SYNCHRONIZATION - A NETWORK OPTIMIZATION PERSPECTIVE



What properties should the agent and controller dynamics possess to solve the synchronization problem?

SYNCHRONIZATION - A NETWORK OPTIMIZATION PERSPECTIVE

dynamics



interaction
protocol

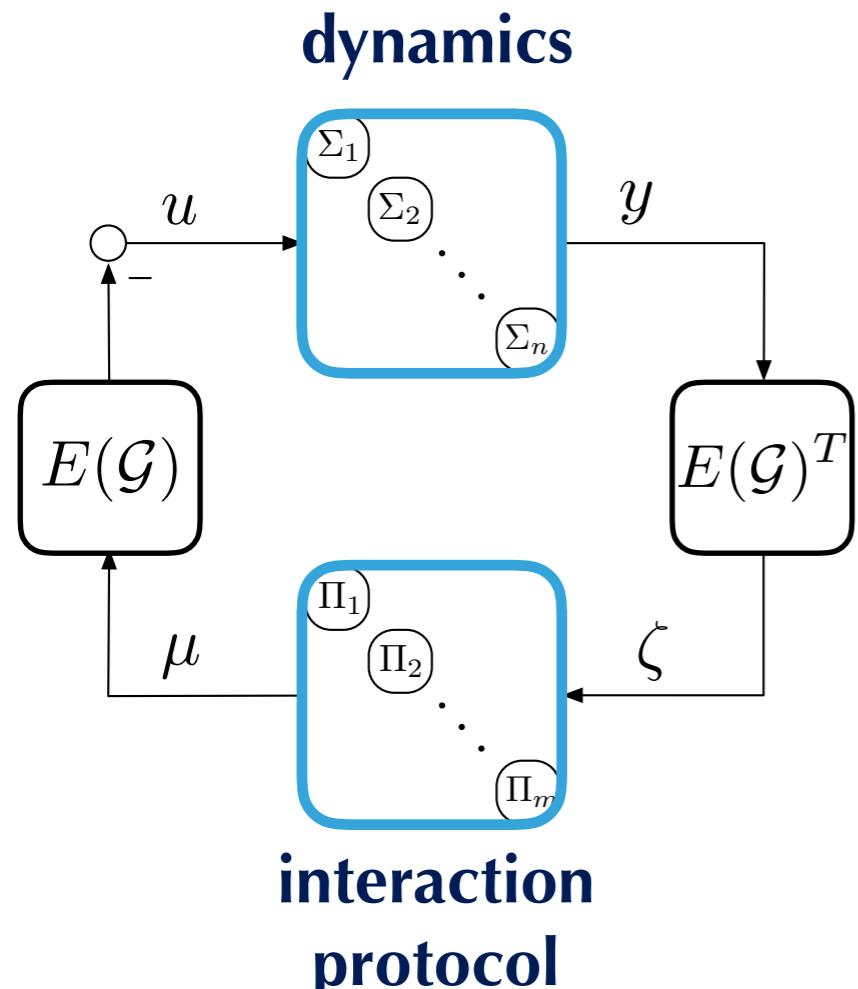
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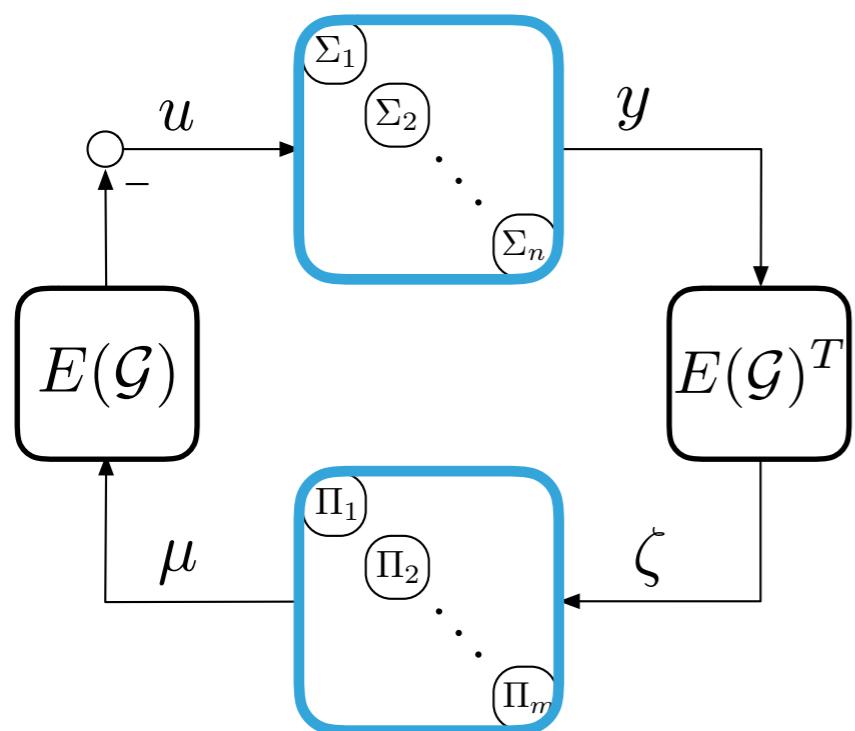
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STEADY-STATE INPUT-OUTPUT RELATIONS

agents

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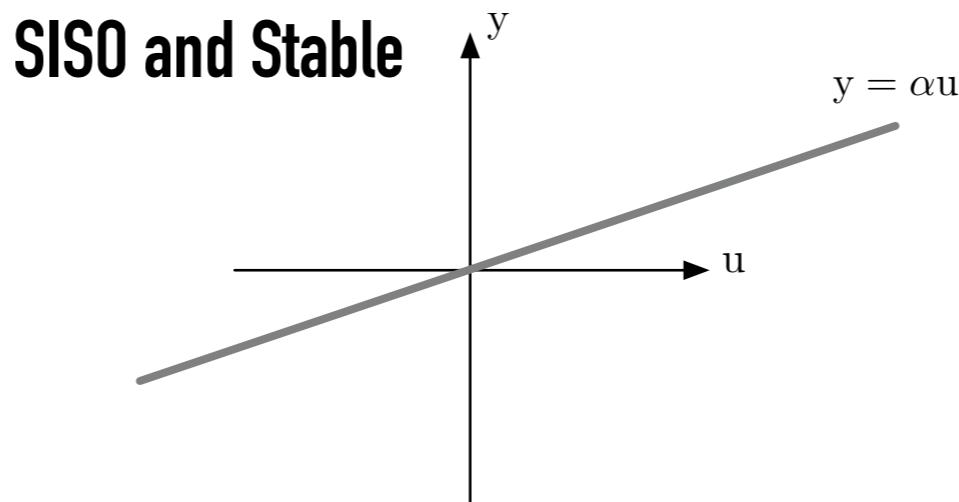
controllers

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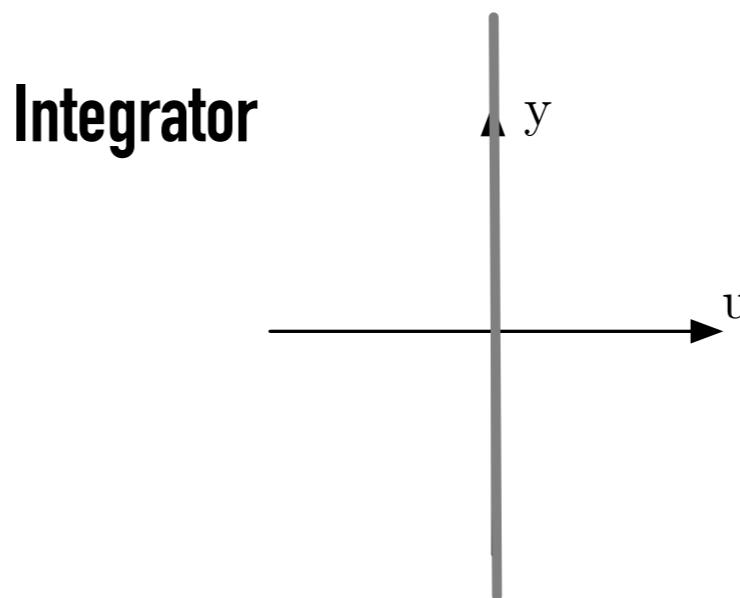
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INPUT-OUTPUT RELATIONS

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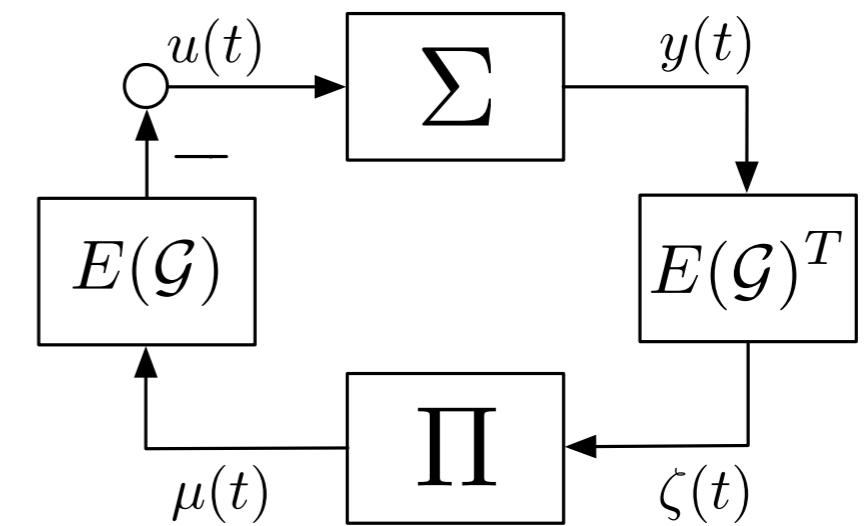


$$\Sigma : \begin{cases} \dot{x} = u \\ y = x \end{cases} \Rightarrow k = \{(0, y), y \in \mathbb{R}\}$$



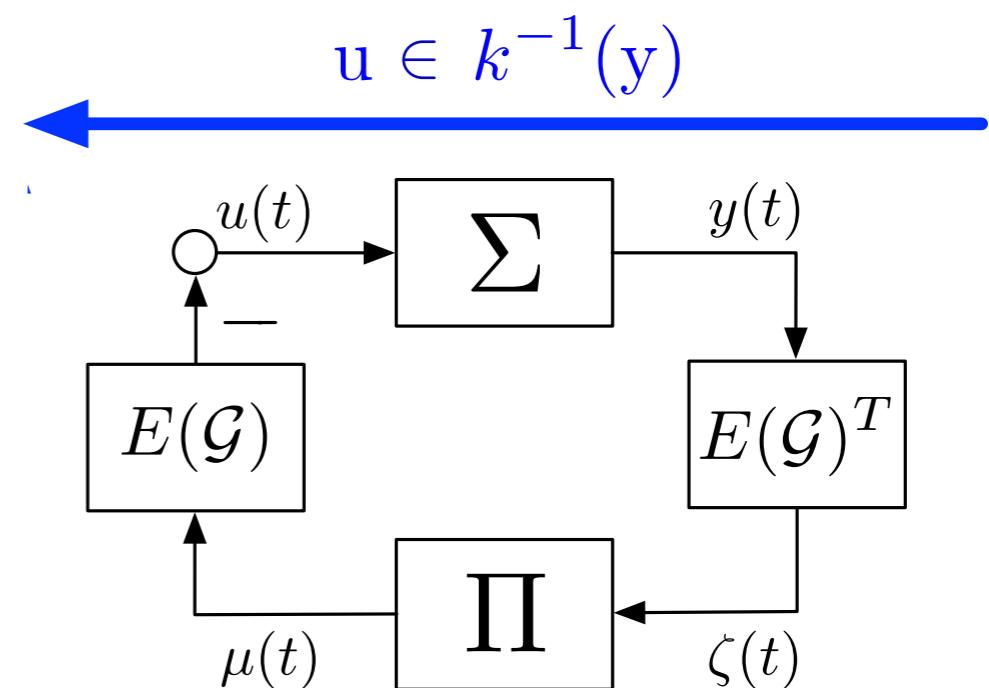
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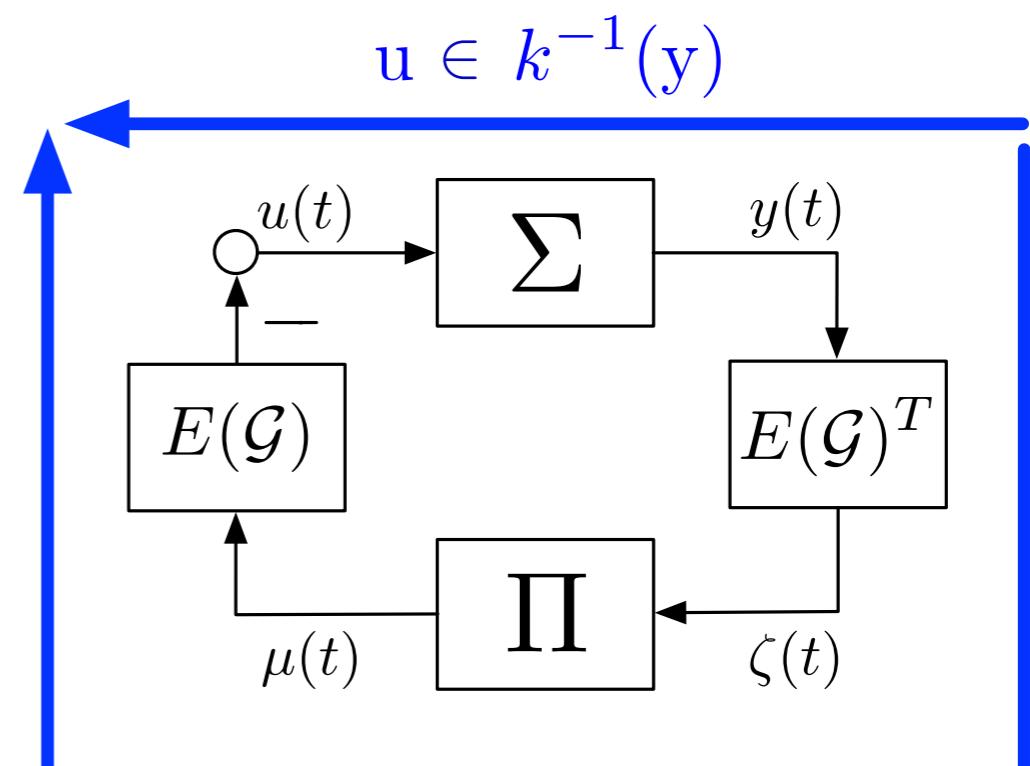
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$$E(\mathcal{G})^T$$

$$\Pi$$

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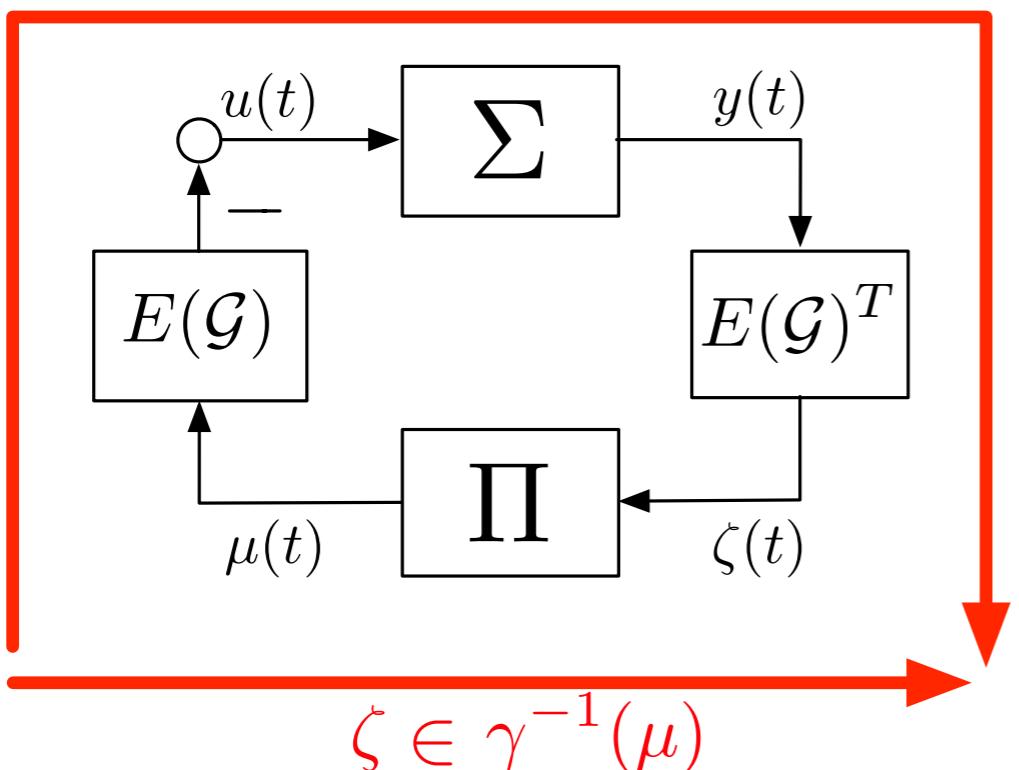
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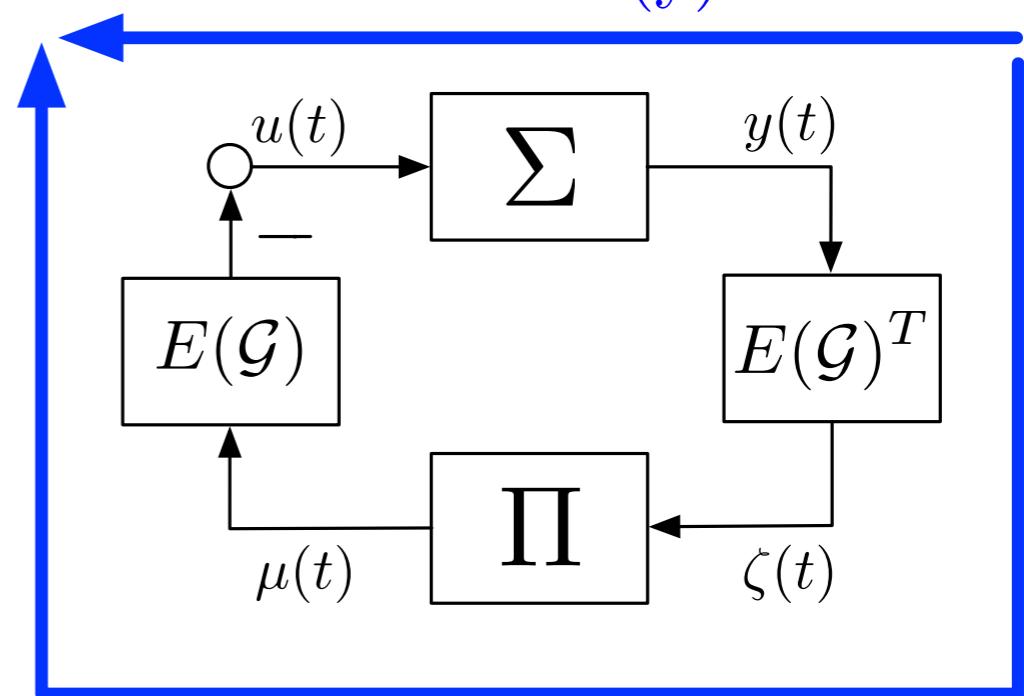
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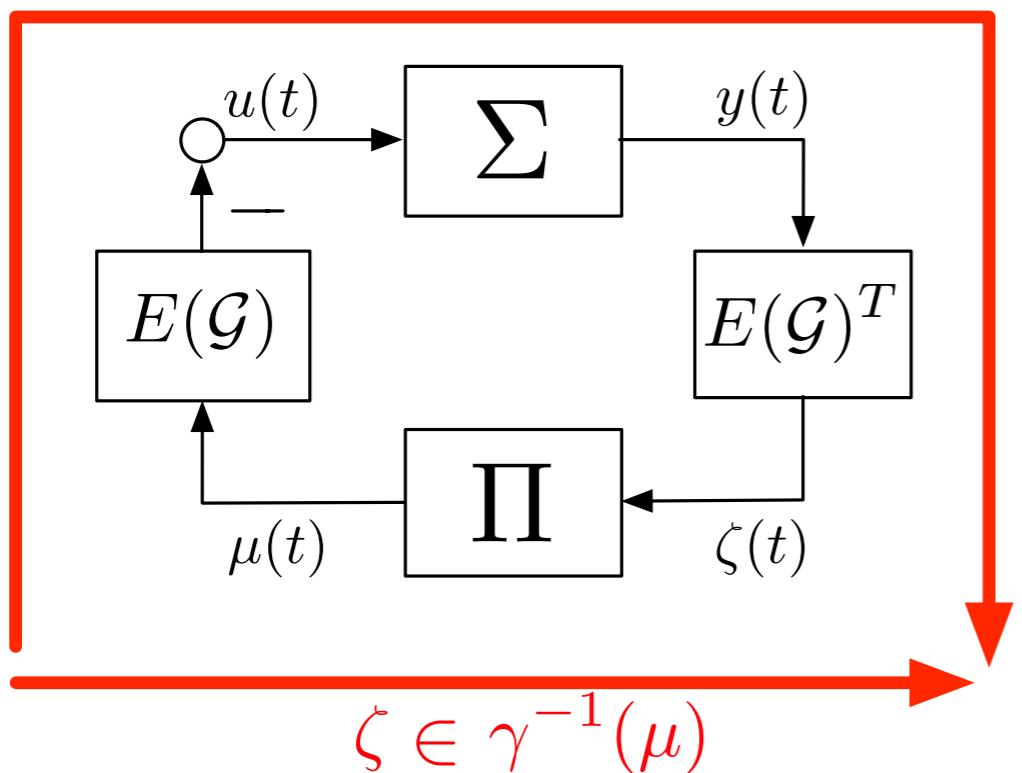
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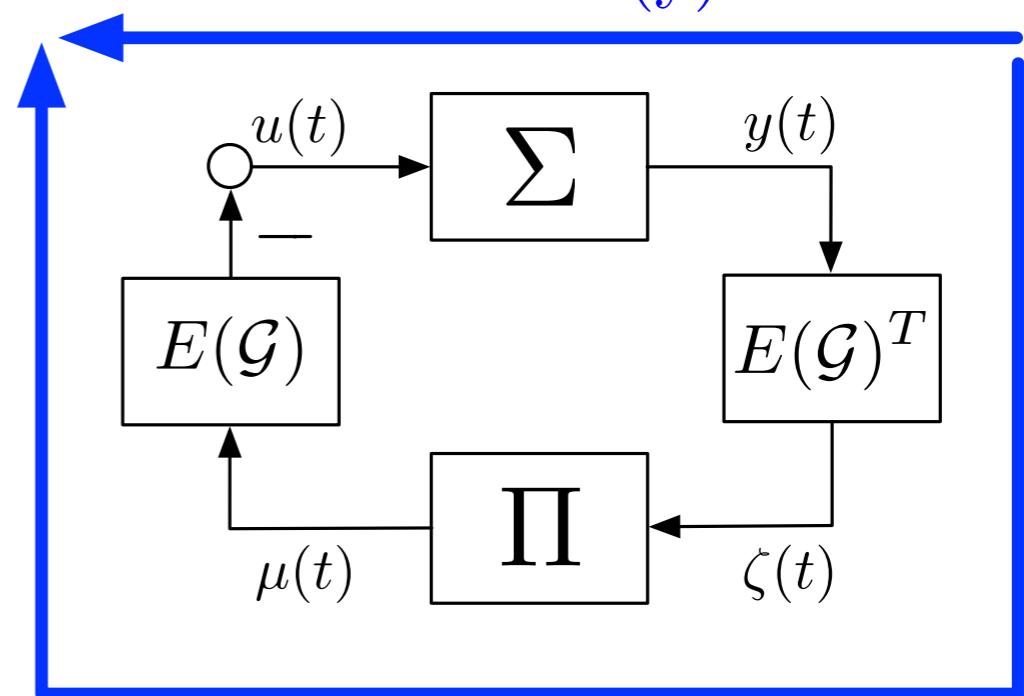
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What are the solutions, if they exist, of this system of non-linear inclusions?

INTEGRATING THE CONSISTENCY EQUATIONS

INTEGRAL FUNCTIONS OF STEADY-STATE I/O RELATIONS

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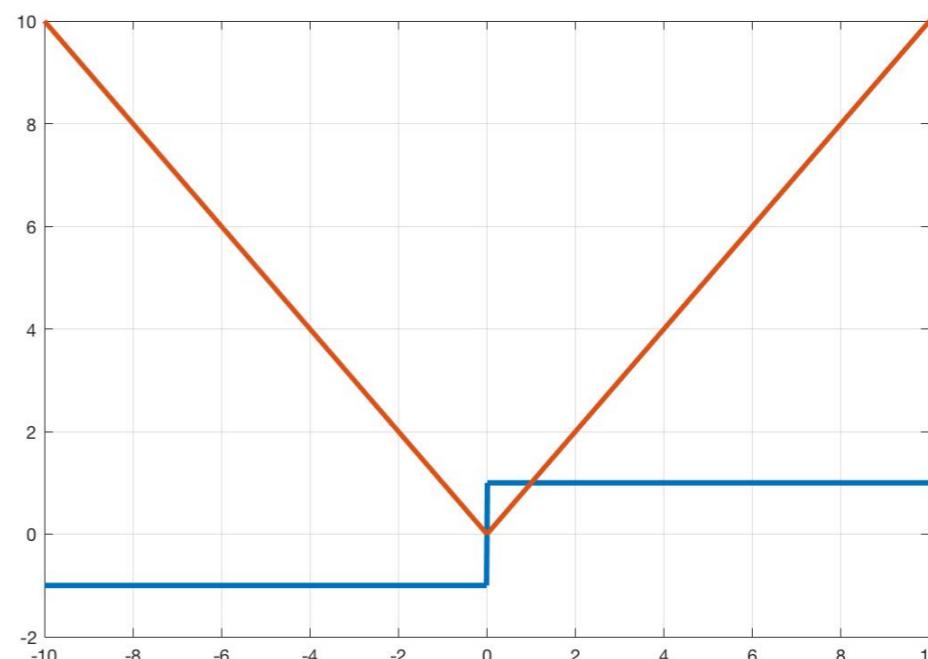
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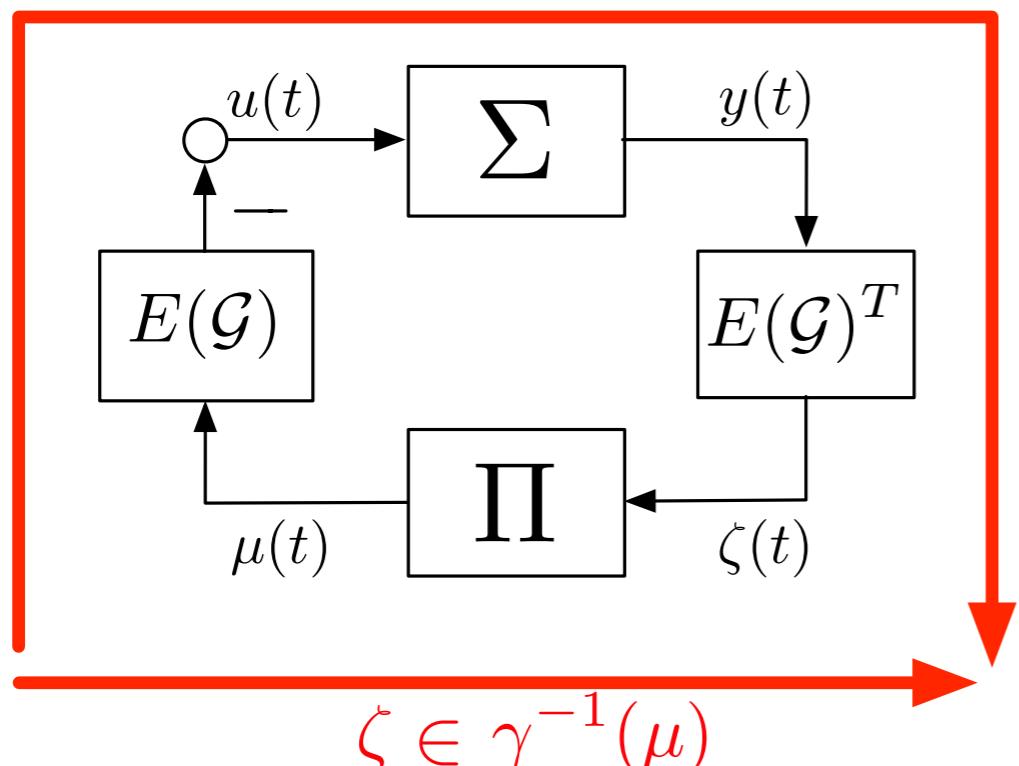
example

- $y = k(u) = \operatorname{sgn}(u)$
- $K(u) = |u|$

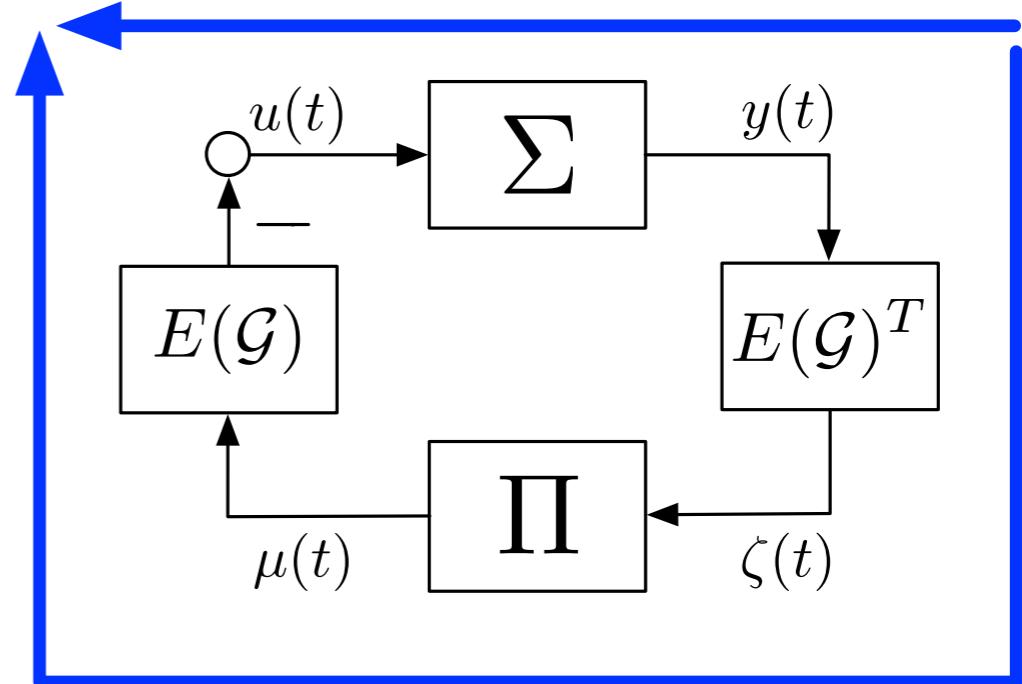


OPTIMIZATION PERSPECTIVE

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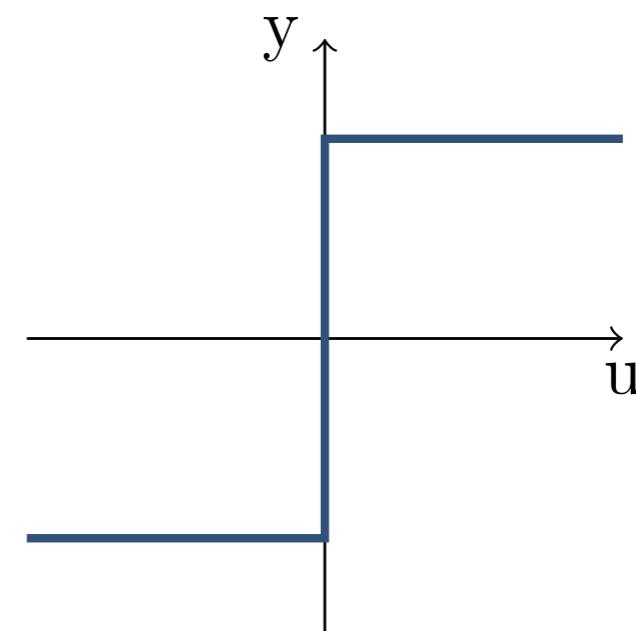
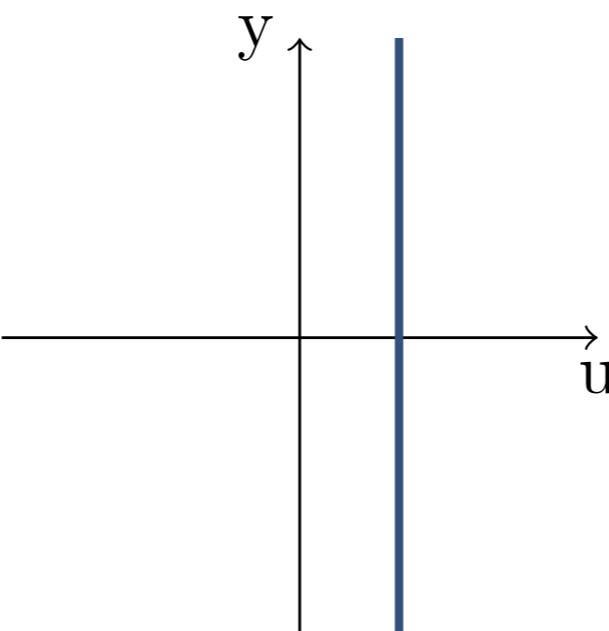
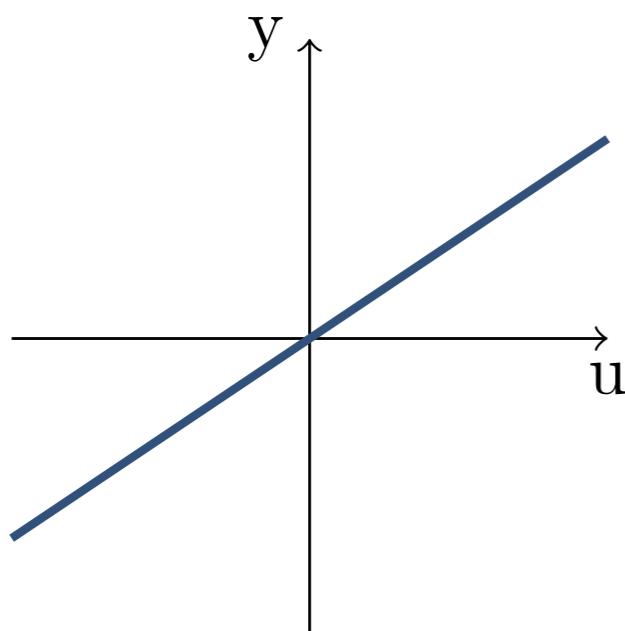
MONOTONE RELATIONS AND CONVEXITY

Theorem [Rockafellar, *Convex Analysis*]

The sub-differential for the closed proper convex functions on \mathbb{R} are the maximal monotone relations from \mathbb{R} to \mathbb{R} .

Maximal Monotone Relations

complete non-decreasing curves in \mathbb{R}^2



“up” and “to the right”

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when steady-state I/O relations are *maximally monotone*, their integral functions are *convex*!

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NETWORK OPTIMIZATION PERSPECTIVE

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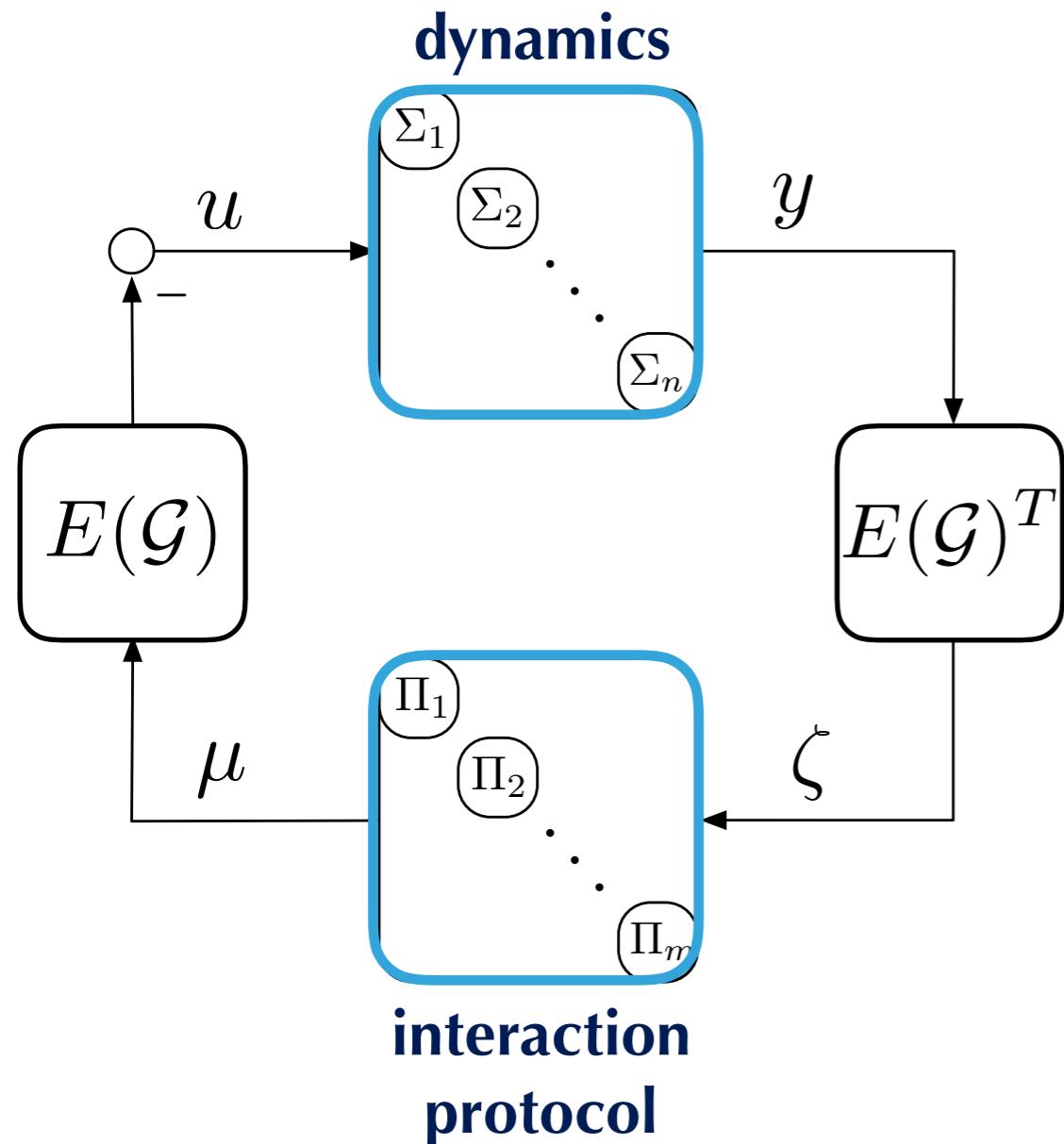
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$$\text{OPP} \quad \underset{\text{convex}}{\Leftrightarrow} \quad \text{OFP}$$

when the steady-state input-output relations are *maximally monotone*, the solutions of network consistency equations are the optimal solutions of the *convex dual network optimization problems!*

SYNCHRONIZATION - A NETWORK OPTIMIZATION PERSPECTIVE



- ▶ assume agents and controllers admit steady-state solutions
- ▶ assume steady-state input-output maps are maximally monotone
- ▶ if the network system has a steady-state, it is an optimal solution of the OPP and OFP problems

Under what conditions does the network system actually converge to these steady states?

PASSIVITY FOR COOPERATIVE CONTROL

a “classic” result...

- assume there exists constant signals $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{y}, \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\zeta}$ s.t. $\mathbf{u} = -E\boldsymbol{\mu}, , \boldsymbol{\zeta} = E^T\mathbf{y}$
- each dynamic system is output strictly passive with respect to $\mathbf{u}_i, \mathbf{y}_i$

$$\frac{d}{dt}S_i(x_i(t)) \leq (y_i(t) - y_i)(u_i(t) - u_i) - \rho_i \|y_i(t) - y_i\|^2$$

- each controller is passive with respect to $\boldsymbol{\zeta}_k, \boldsymbol{\mu}_k$

$$\frac{d}{dt}W_k(\eta_k(t)) \leq (\mu_k(t) - \mu_k)(\zeta_k(t) - \zeta_k)$$

Theorem [Arcak 2007]

Suppose the above assumptions are satisfied. Then the network output converges to the constant value \mathbf{y} , i.e,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y(t) = \mathbf{y}$$

A PASSIVITY REFINEMENT FOR MONOTONE RELATIONS

MEIP Systems

[Burger, Z, Allgower 2014]

The dynamical SISO system

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}(t) &= f(x(t), u(t), w) \\ y(t) &= h(x(t), u(t), w)\end{aligned}$$

is *maximal equilibrium independent passive* if there exists a maximal monotone relation $k_y \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ such that for all $(u, y) \in k_y$ there exists a positive semi-definite storage function $S(x(t))$ satisfying

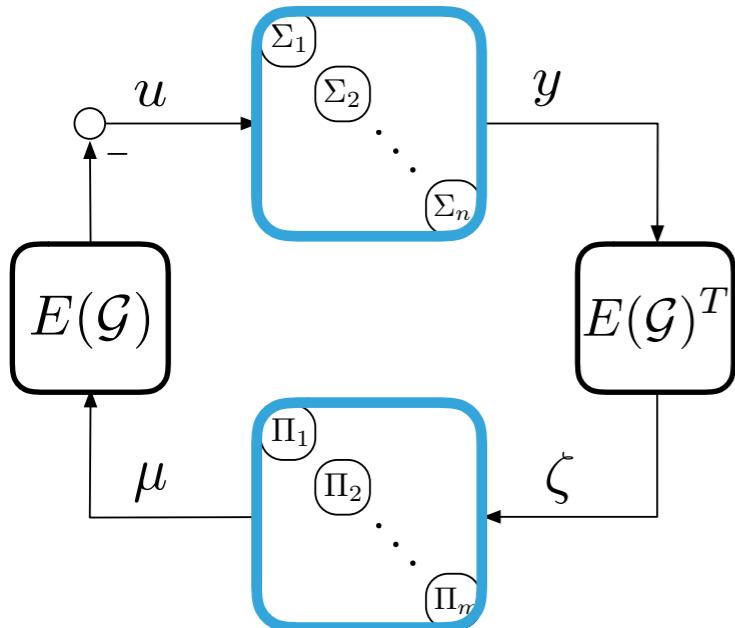
$$\frac{d}{dt}S(x(t)) \leq (y(t) - y)(u(t) - u).$$

Furthermore, it is *output-strictly maximal equilibrium independent passive* if additionally there is a constant $\rho > 0$ such that

$$\frac{d}{dt}S(x(t)) \leq (y(t) - y)(u(t) - u) - \rho \|y(t) - y\|^2.$$

- ▶ an extension of **Equilibrium Independent Passivity** [Hines et. al. Automatica 2011]

NETWORKED MEIP SYSTEMS



- ▶ assume agents are output strictly MEIP
- ▶ assume controllers are MEIP

Theorem

[Burger, Z, Allgower 2014]

Assume the above assumptions hold. Then the signals $u(t), y(t), \zeta(t)$ and $\mu(t)$ converge to the constant signals $\hat{u}, \hat{y}, \hat{\zeta}$ and $\hat{\mu}$ which are optimal solutions to the problems (OFP) and (OPP):

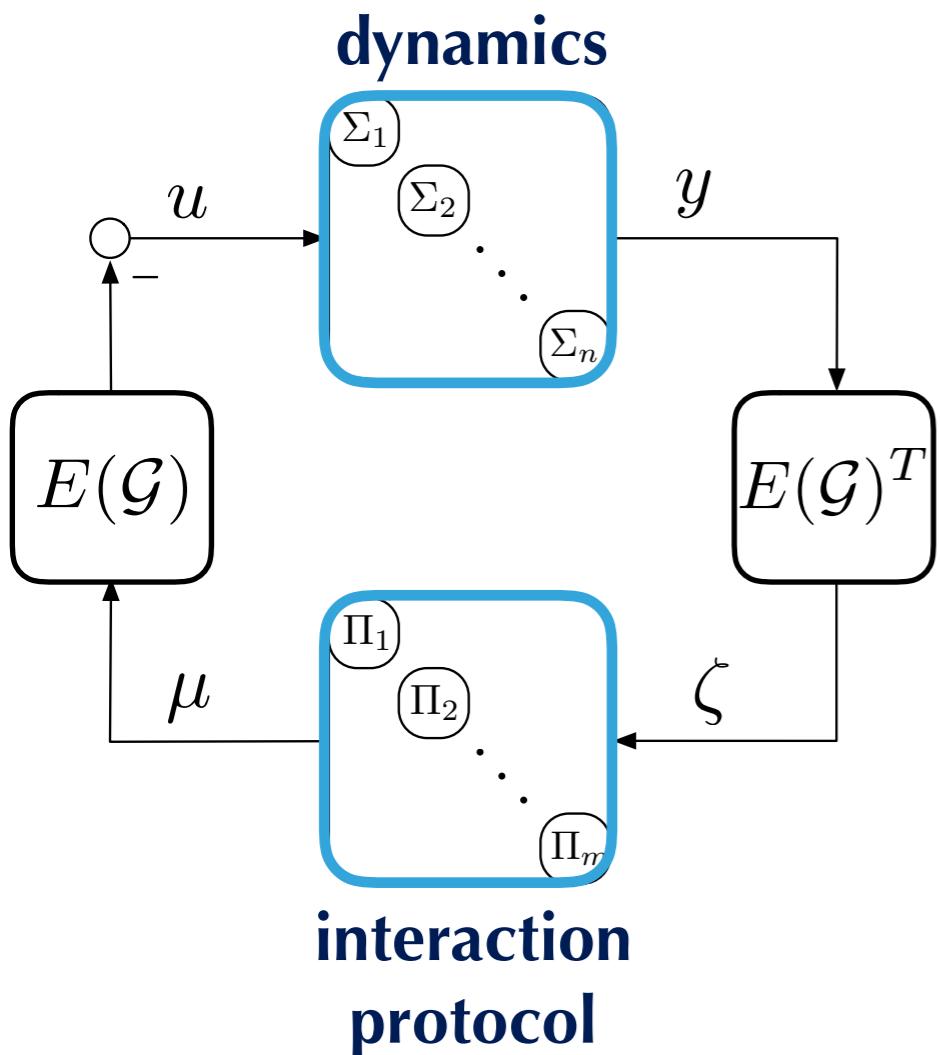
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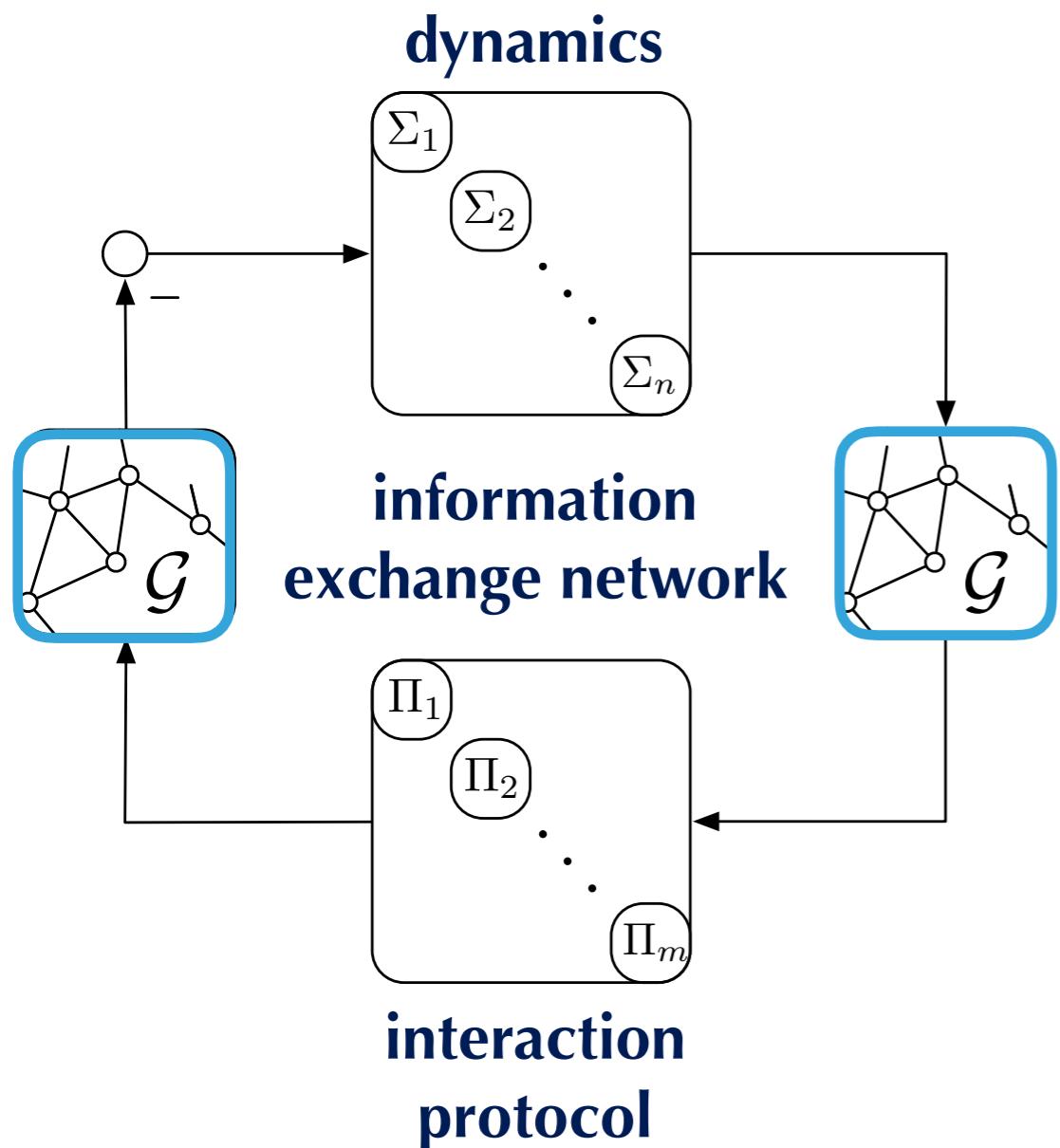
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MONOTONICITY AND PASSIVITY-BASED COOPERATIVE CONTROL



- ▶ **an analysis result - convergence of network system and solutions of a pair of network optimization problems**
[Automatica '14, TAC '17 (under review)]
- ▶ **a synthesis result - it is possible to design the controllers to achieve a desired steady by shaping the network optimization problems**
[L-CSS '17]
- ▶ **cooperative control of passivity-short systems - optimization framework relates regularization to output-feedback passivation of the agents**
[L-CSS '18 (under review)]

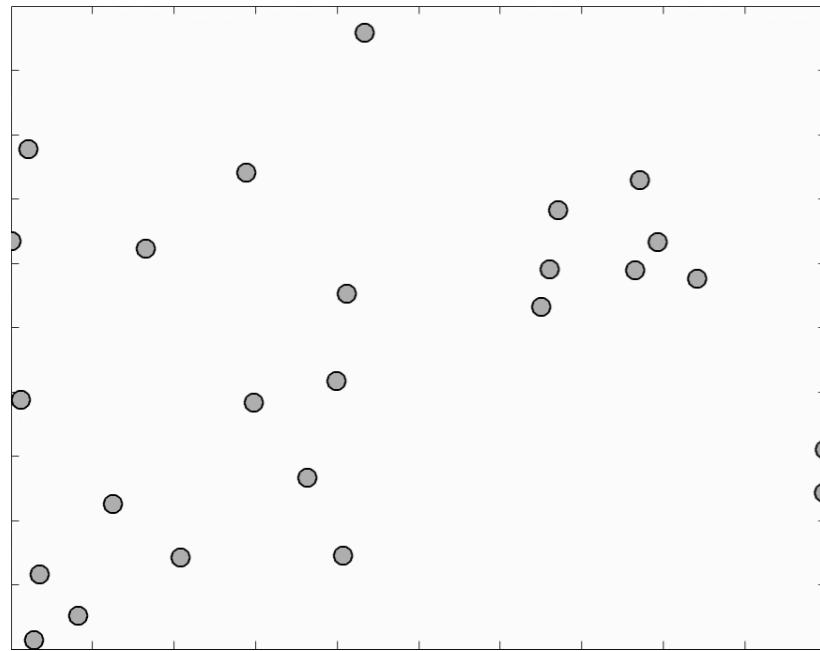
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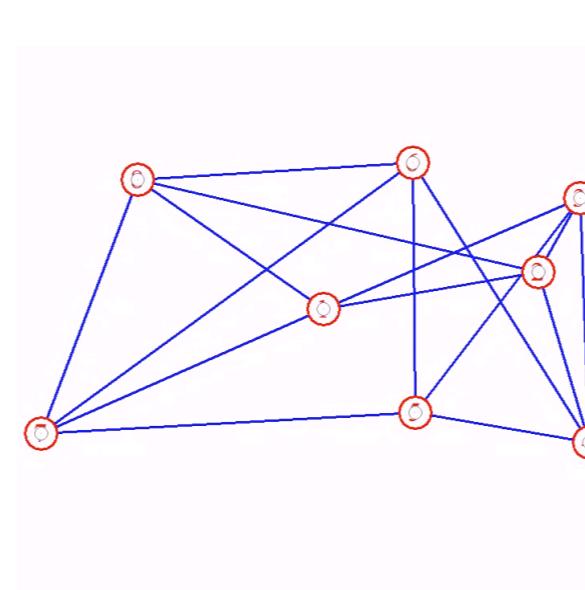
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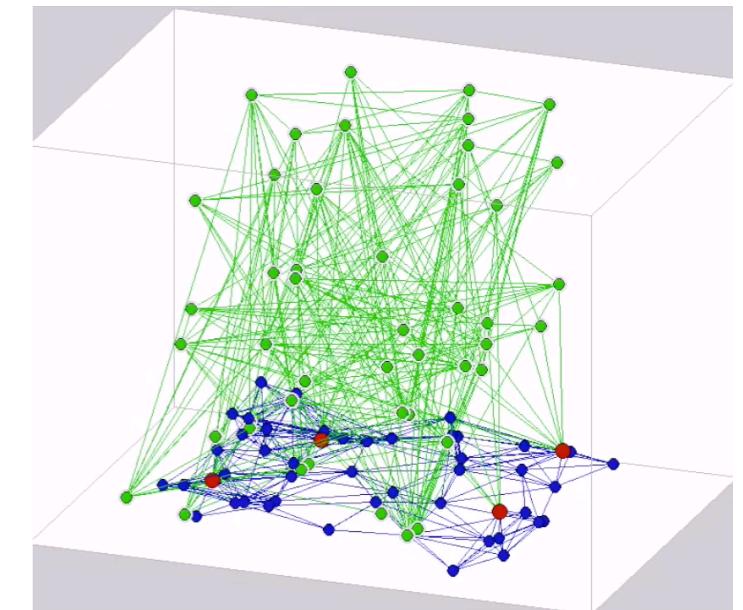
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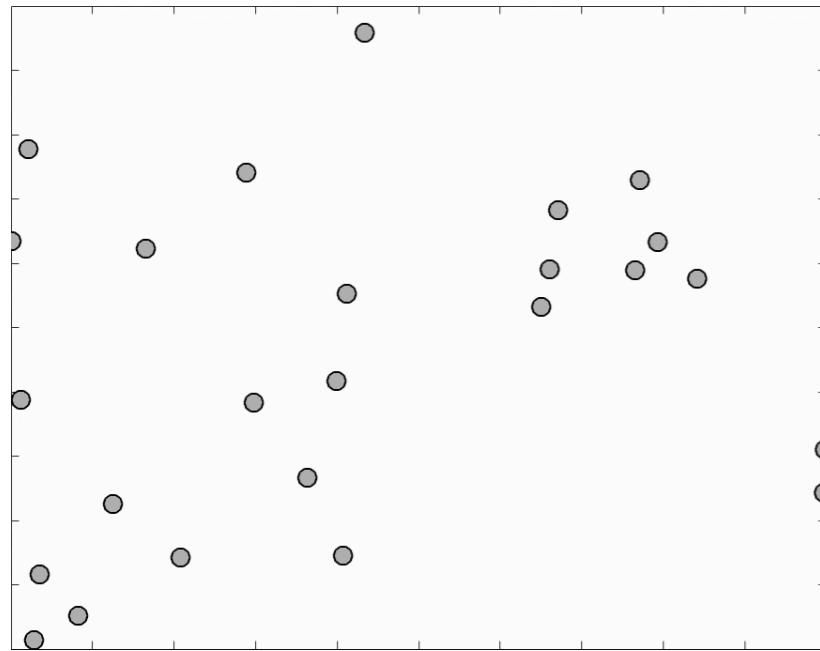


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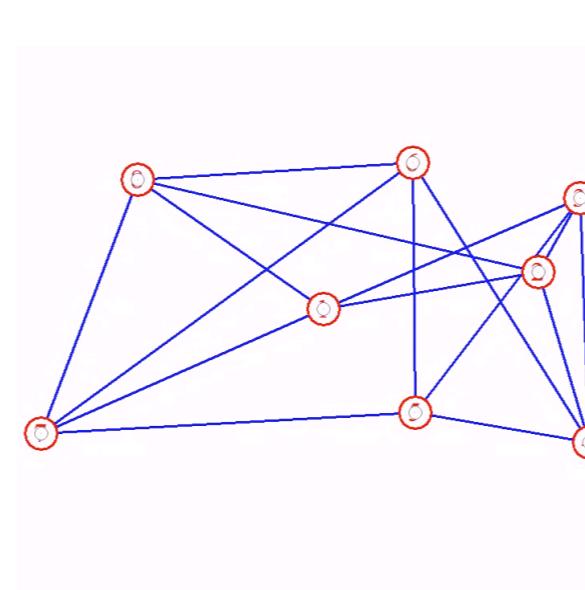
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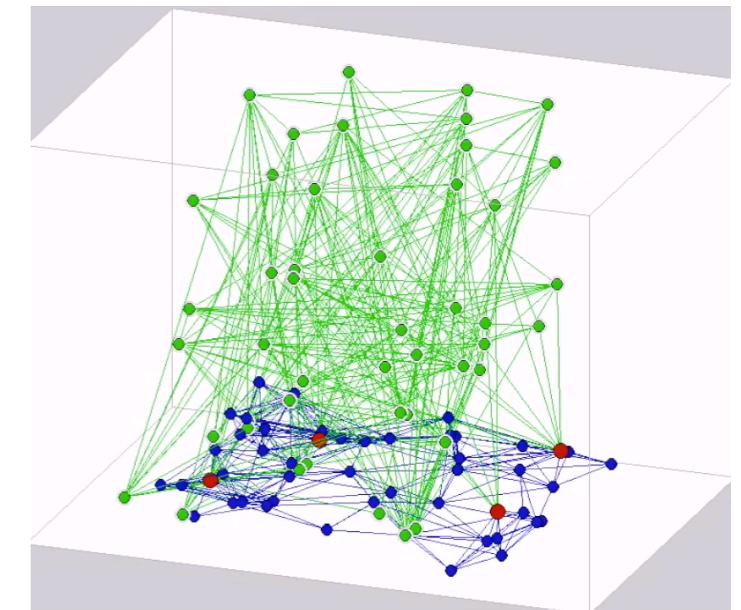
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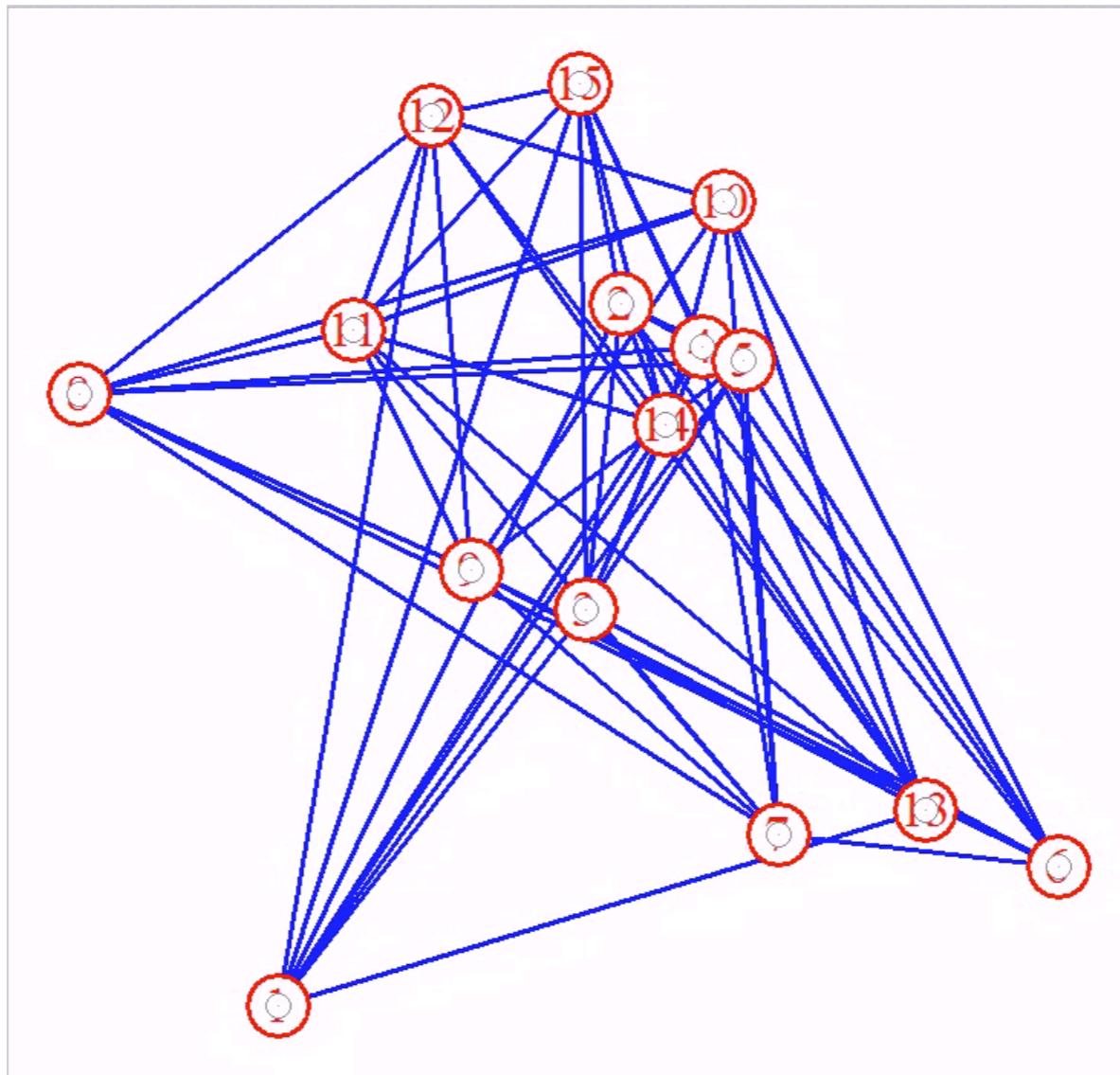


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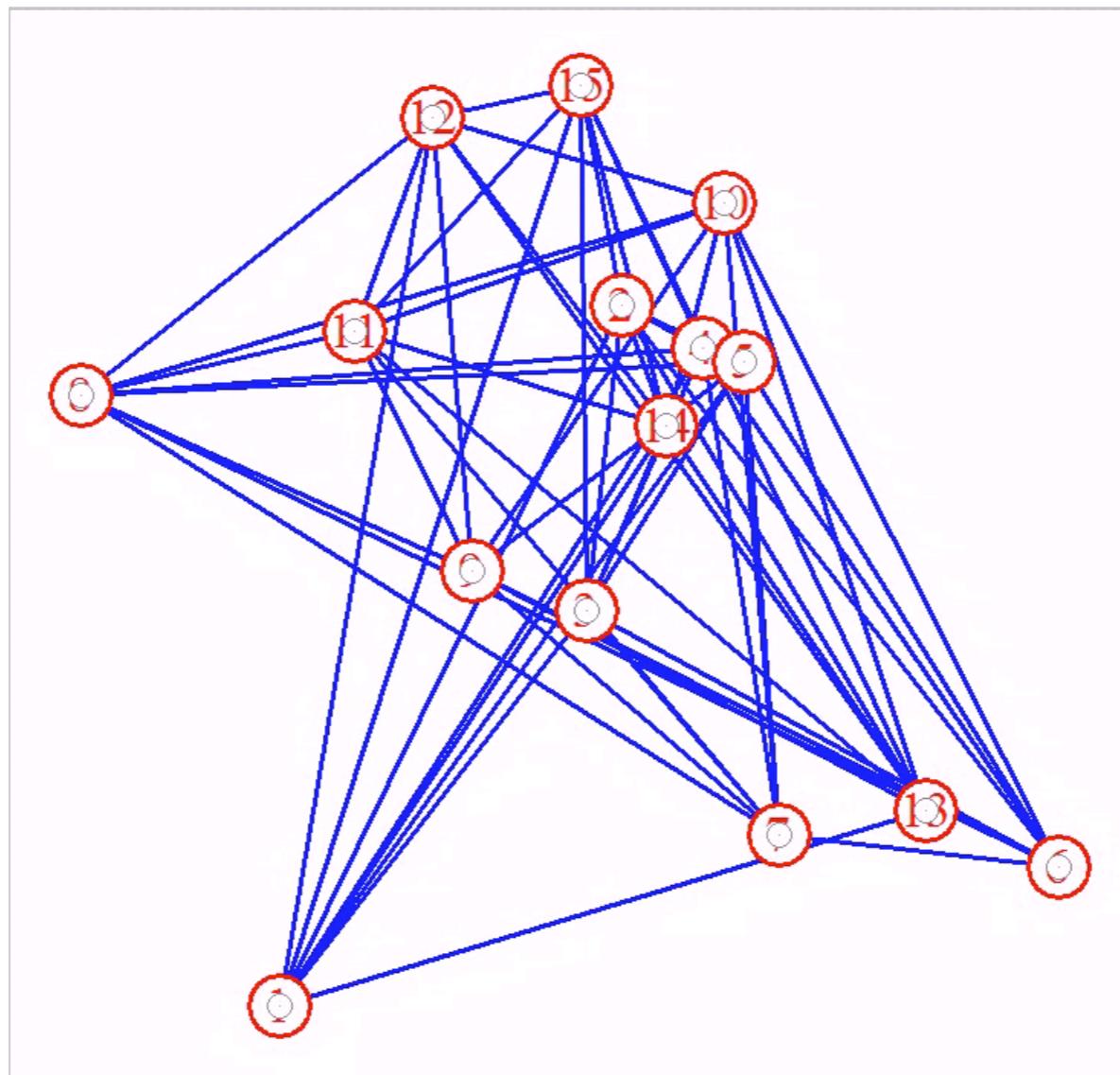
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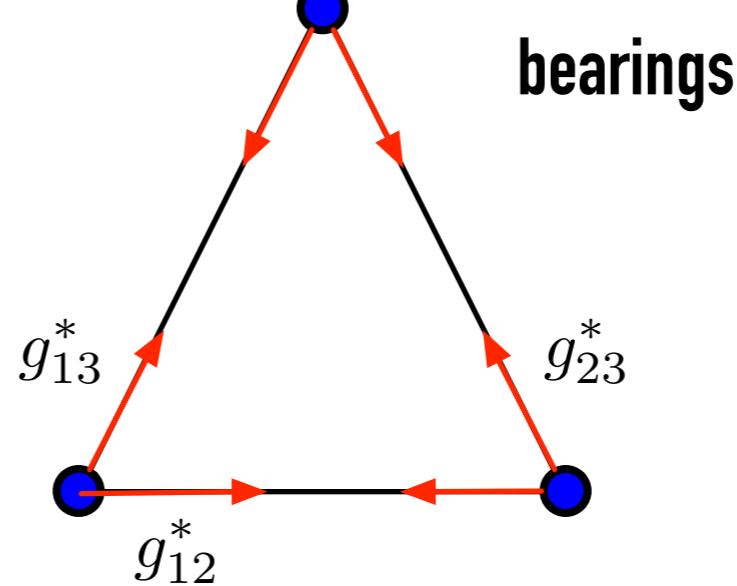
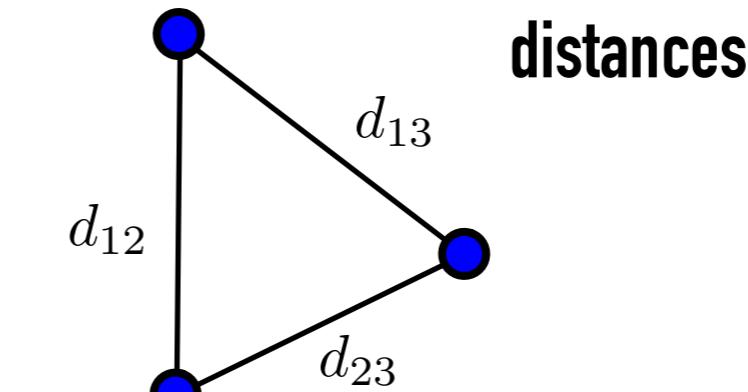
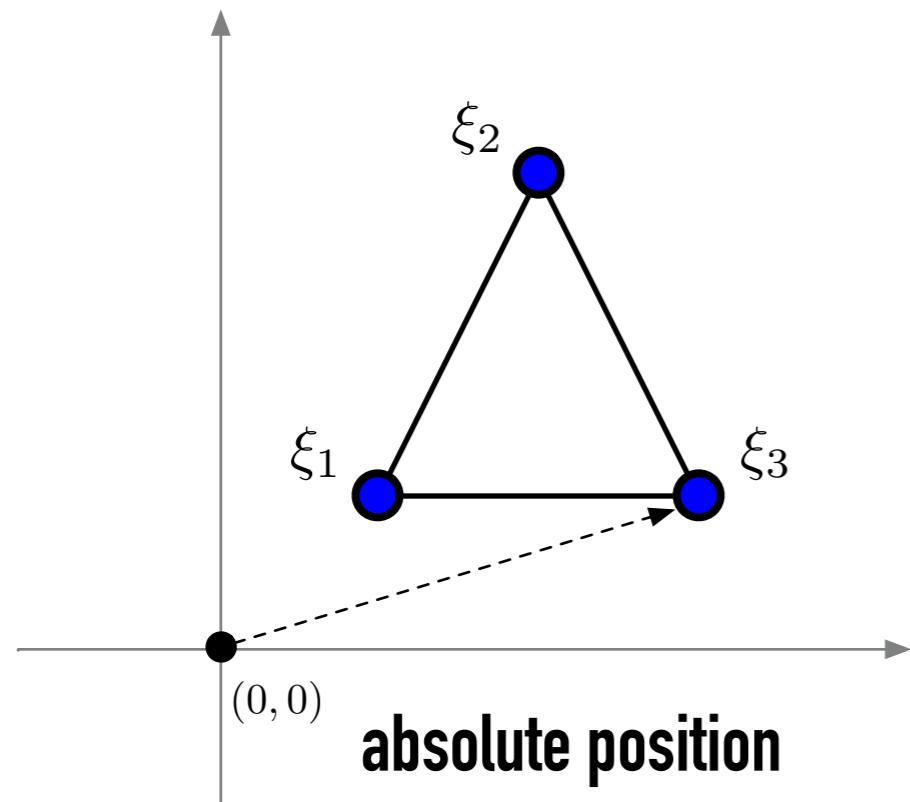
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FORMATION DETERMINATION = SENSOR SELECTION

HOW TO DEFINE A SHAPE



EXAMPLE: FORMATION CONTROL

DISTANCE CONSTRAINED

Formation

- SPECIFIED BY DISTANCES BETWEEN PAIRS OF ROBOTS

$$d_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}$$

Control

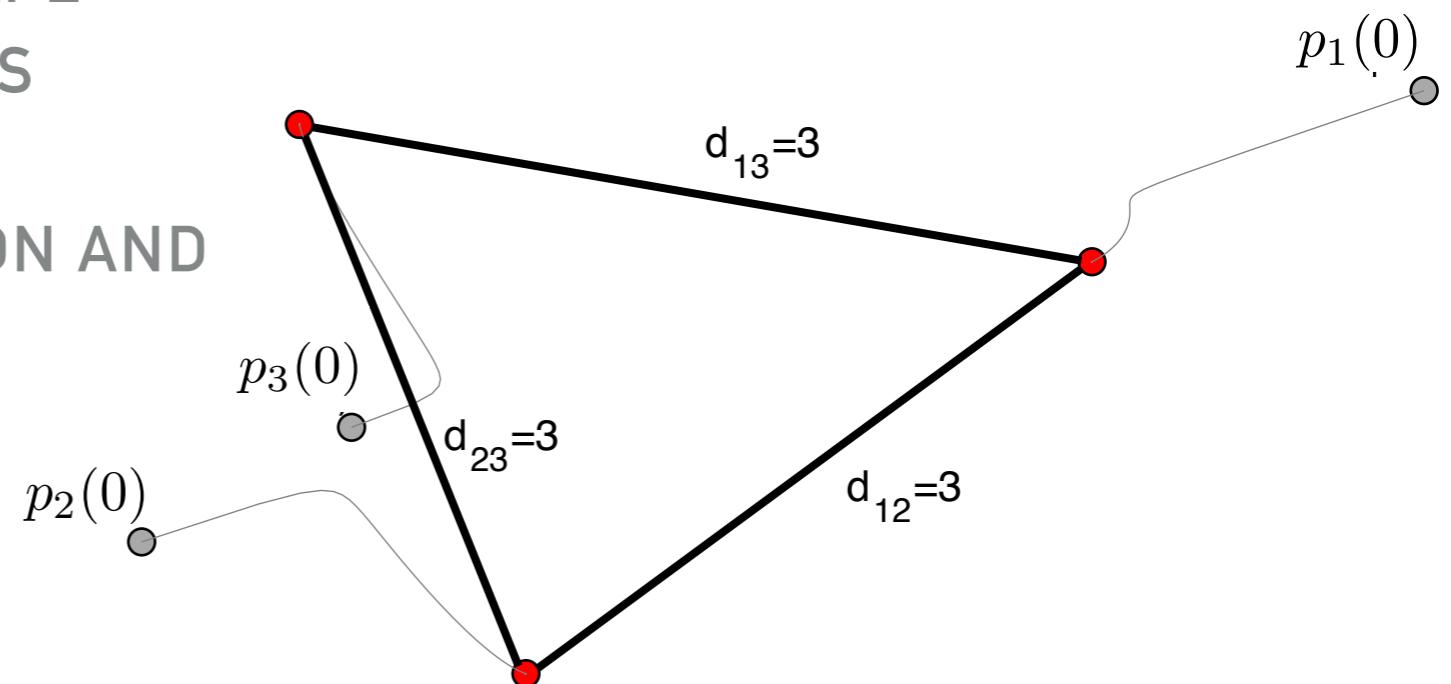
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[Krick2009]

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$$p_j - p_i$$



EXAMPLE: FORMATION CONTROL

BEARING ONLY

Formation

- SPECIFIED BY BEARING VECTORS

$$g_{ij}^* \in \mathbb{R}^2, \|g_{ij}^*\| = 1$$

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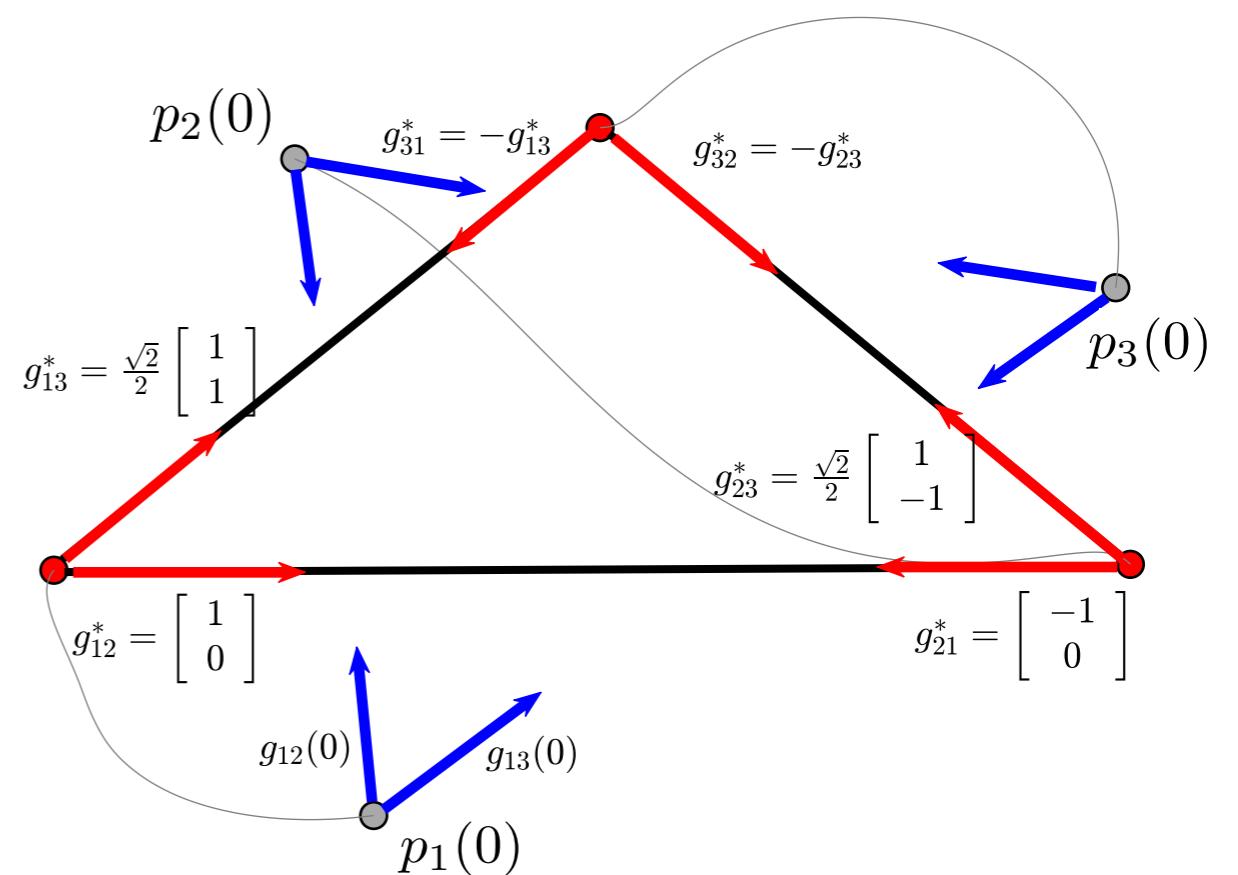
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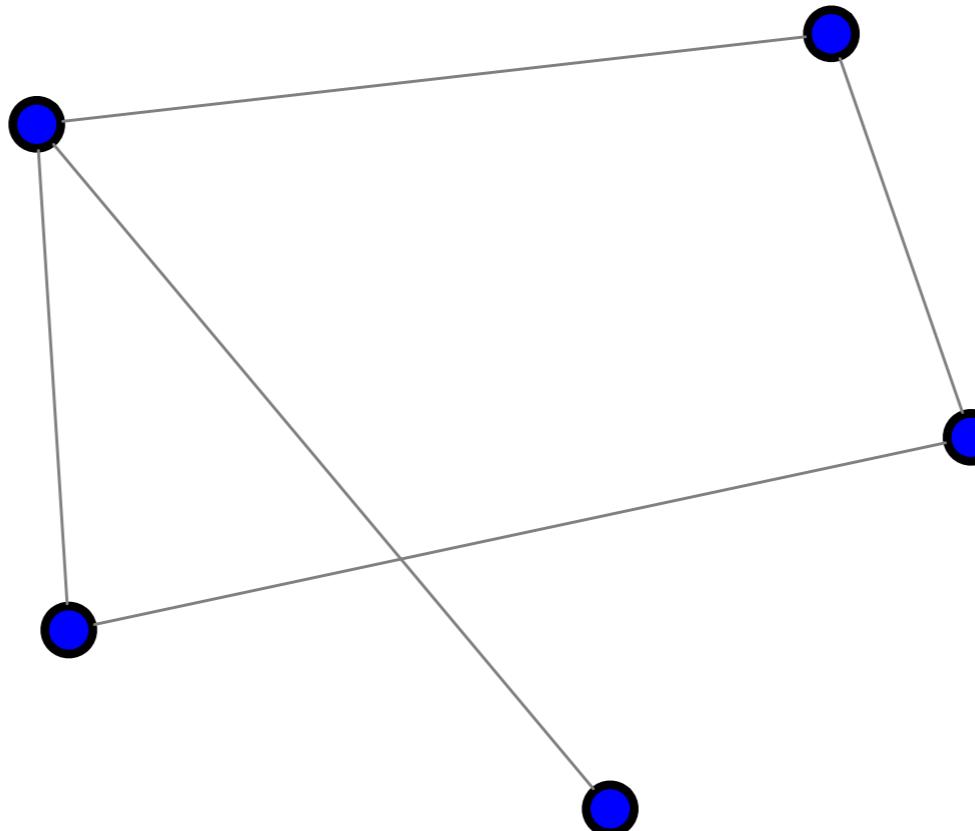
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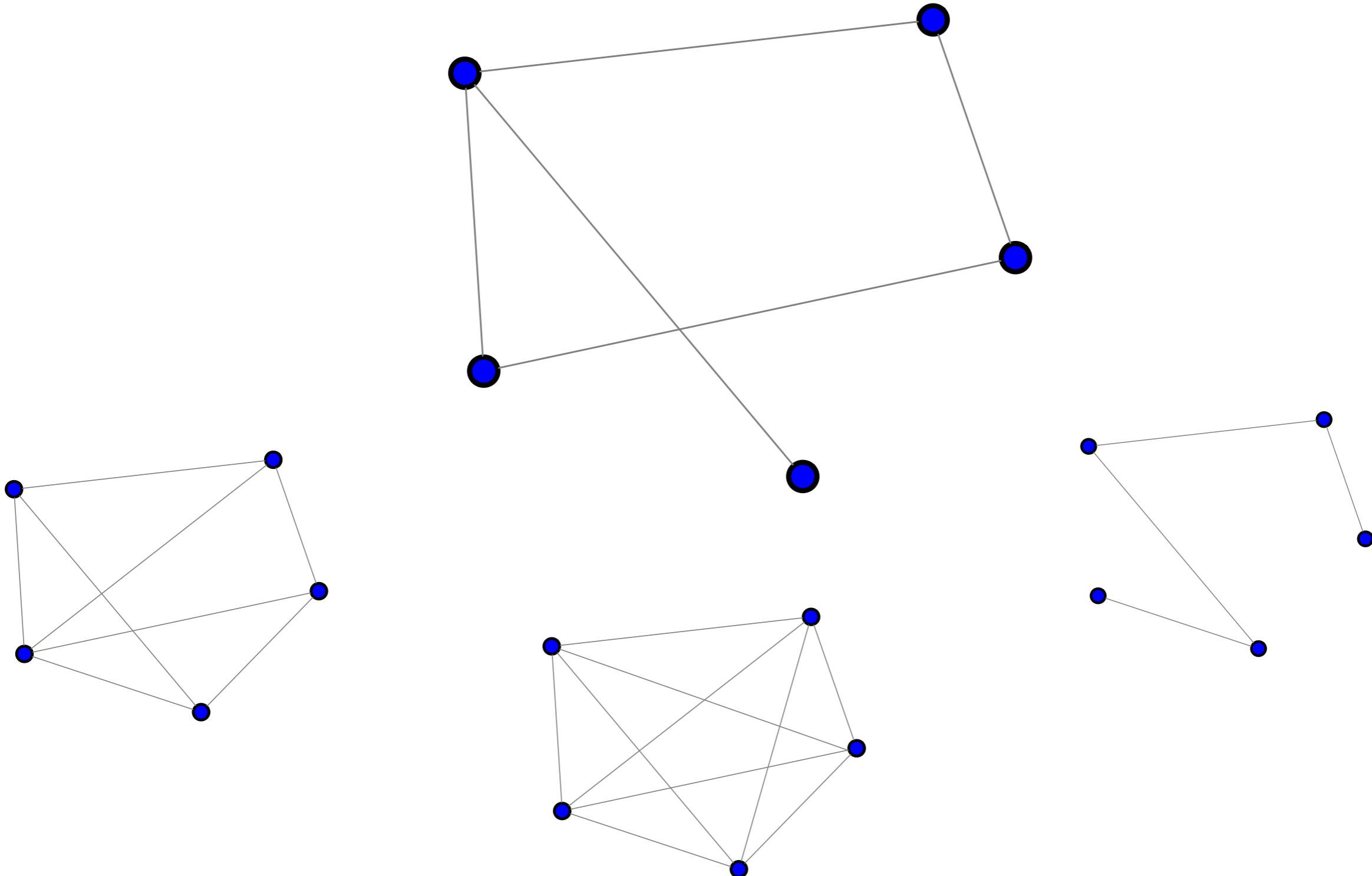
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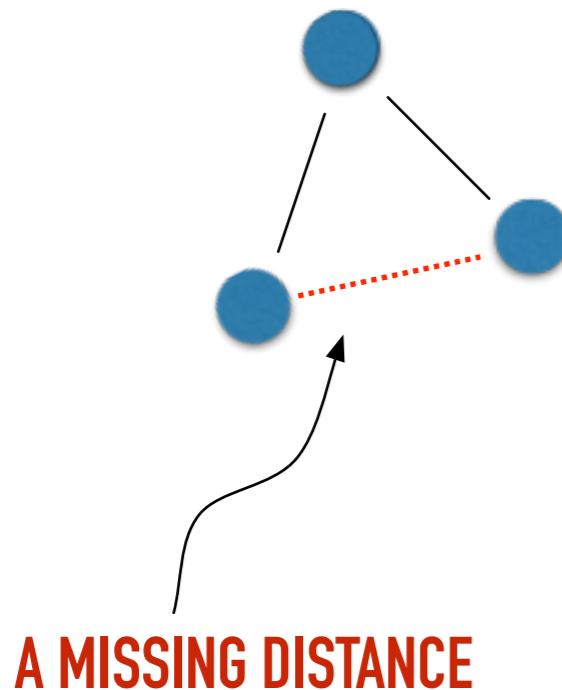
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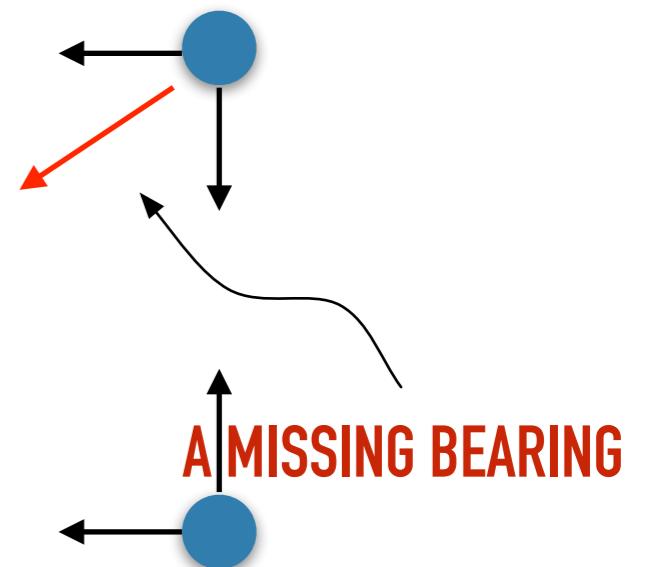
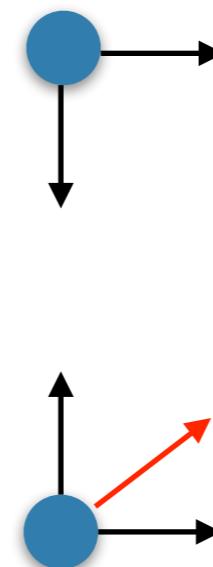
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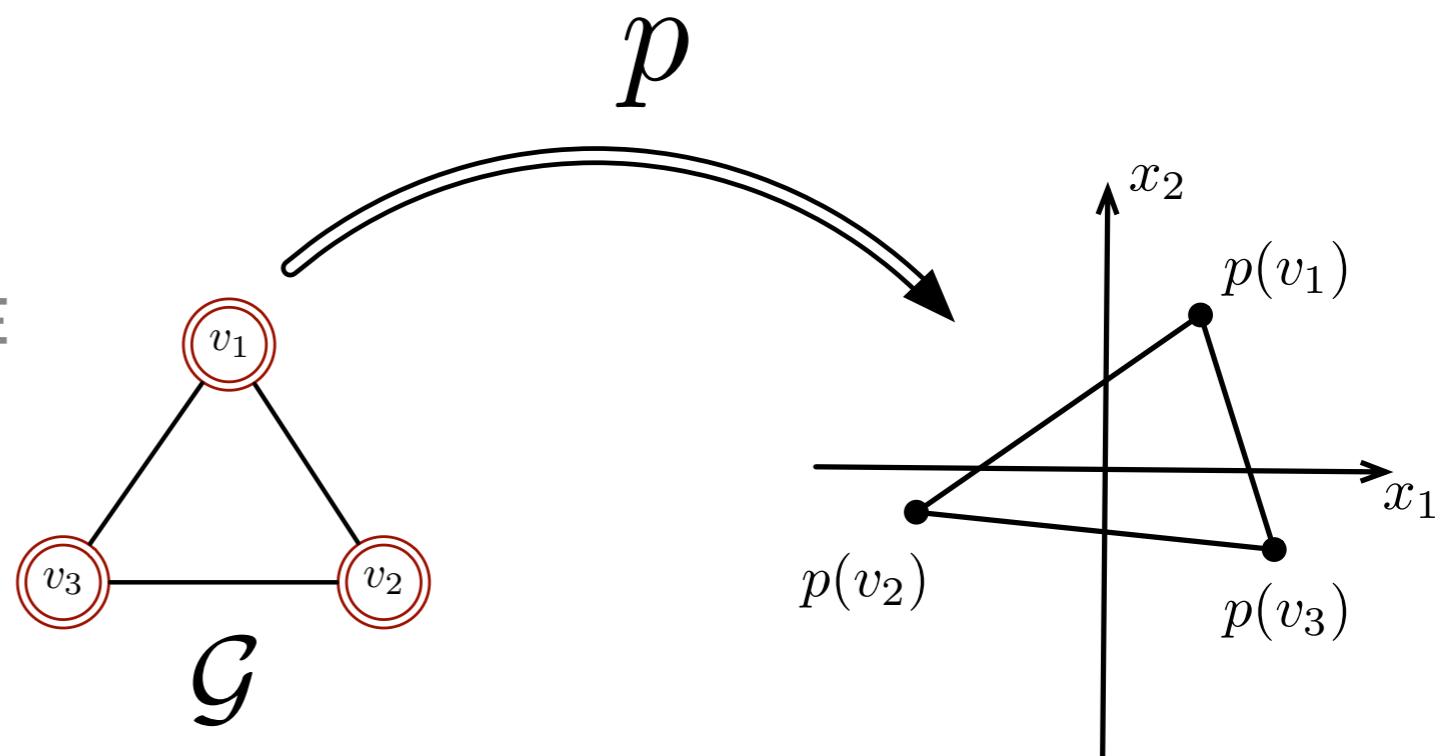
RIGIDITY THEORY

Rigidity is a combinatorial theory for characterizing the “stiffness” or “flexibility” of structures formed by rigid bodies connected by flexible linkages or hinges.

BEARING RIGIDITY THEORY

A framework

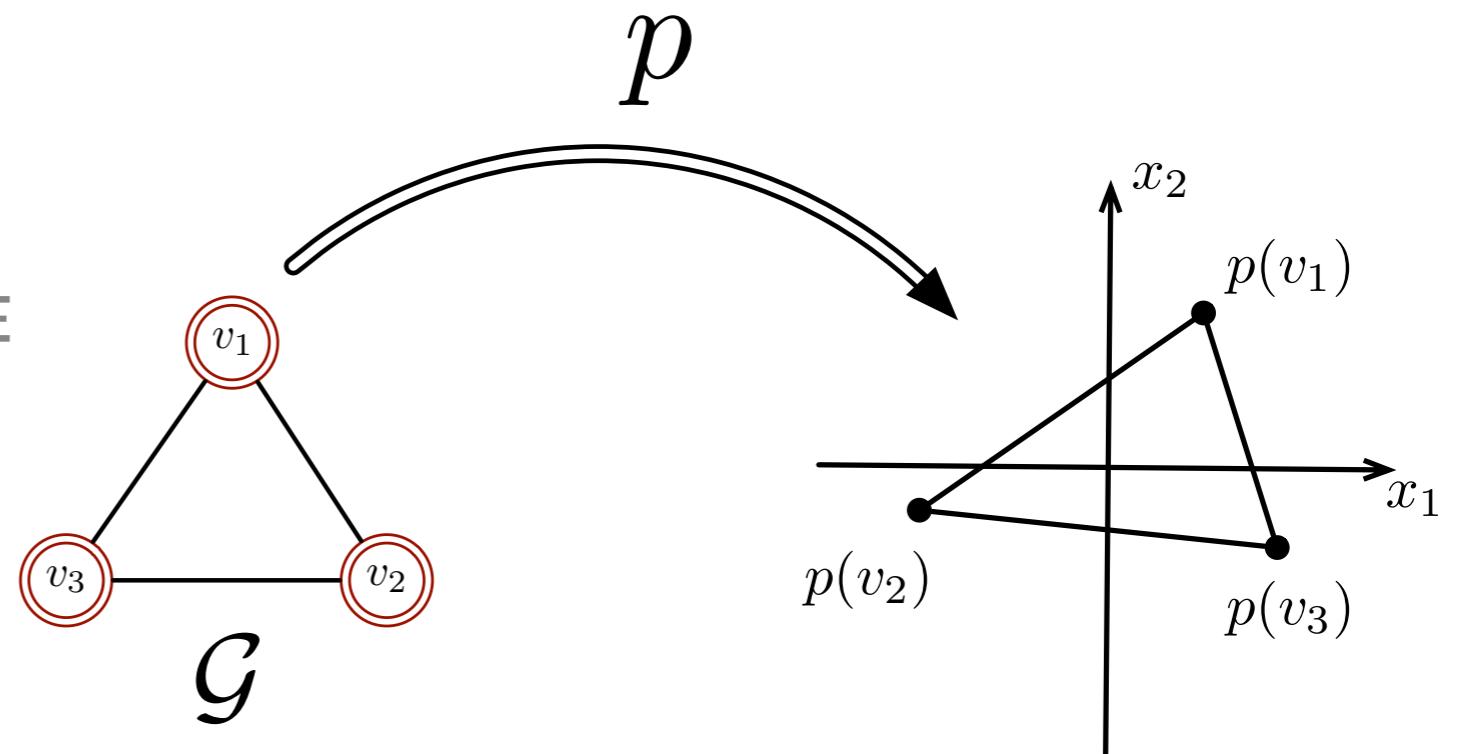
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- A MAPPING TO A METRIC SPACE



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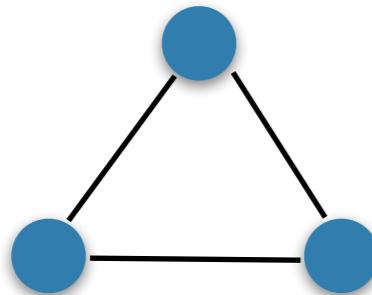
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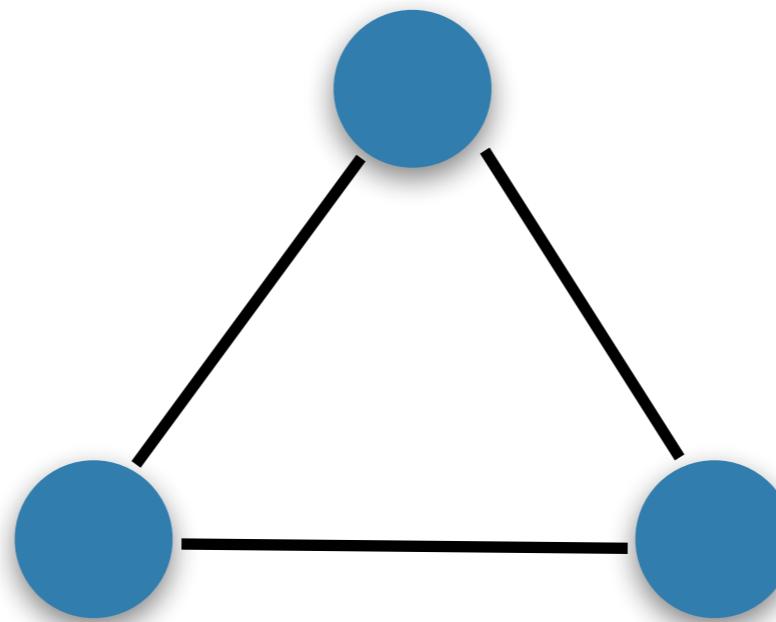
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Rigidity matrix is the linear term in the Taylor series expansion of the Distance/Bearing functions

$$F(p + \delta_p) = F(p) + \frac{\partial F(p)}{\partial p} \delta_p + h.o.t.$$

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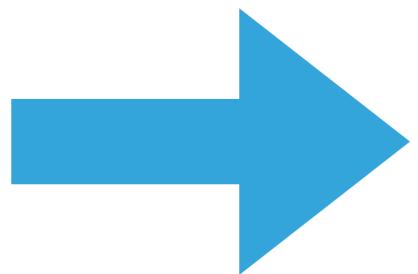
Theorem

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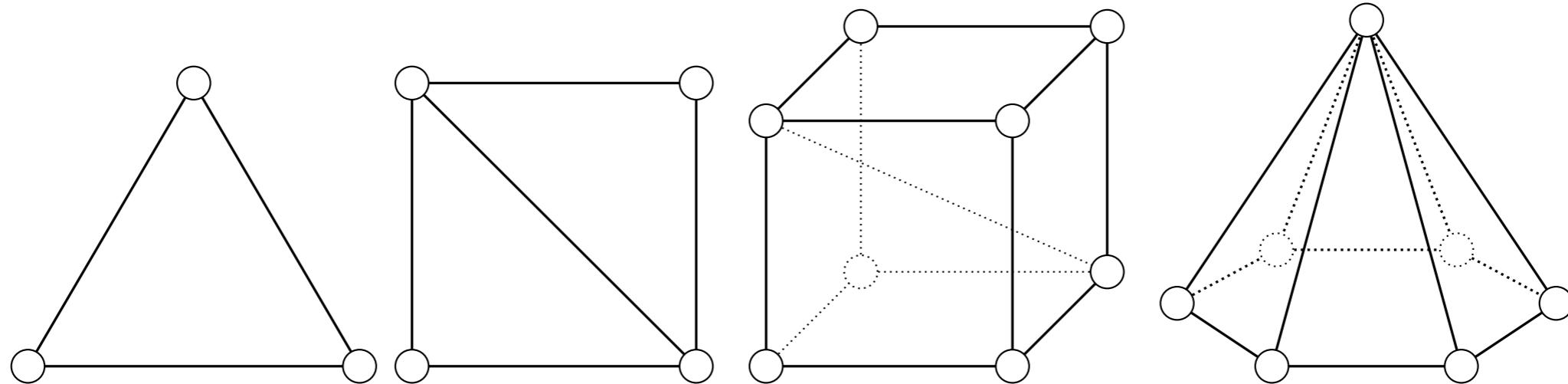
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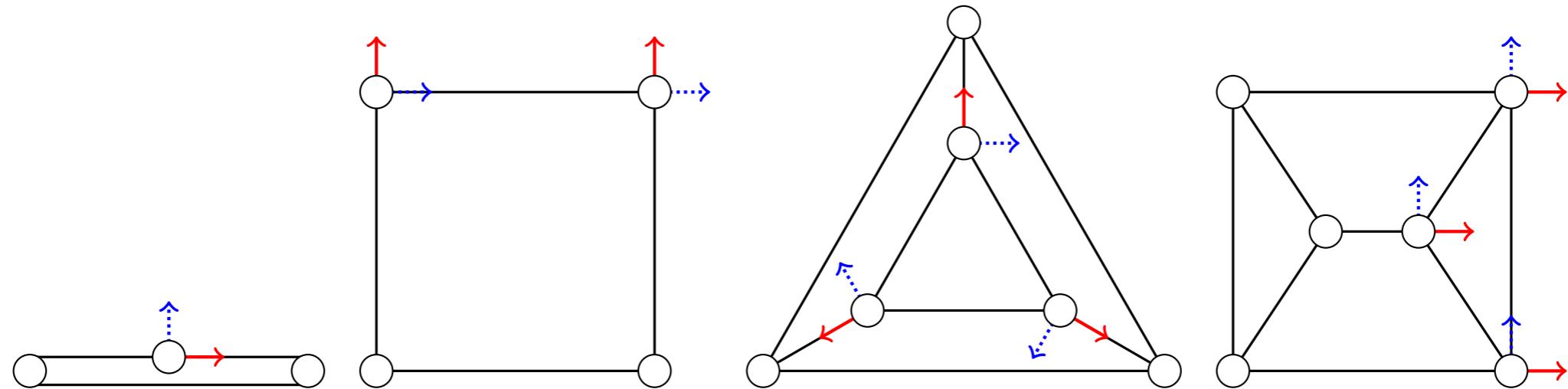
An infinitesimally bearing rigid framework can be *uniquely* determined up to a translation and scaling factor

INFINITESIMAL RIGIDITY

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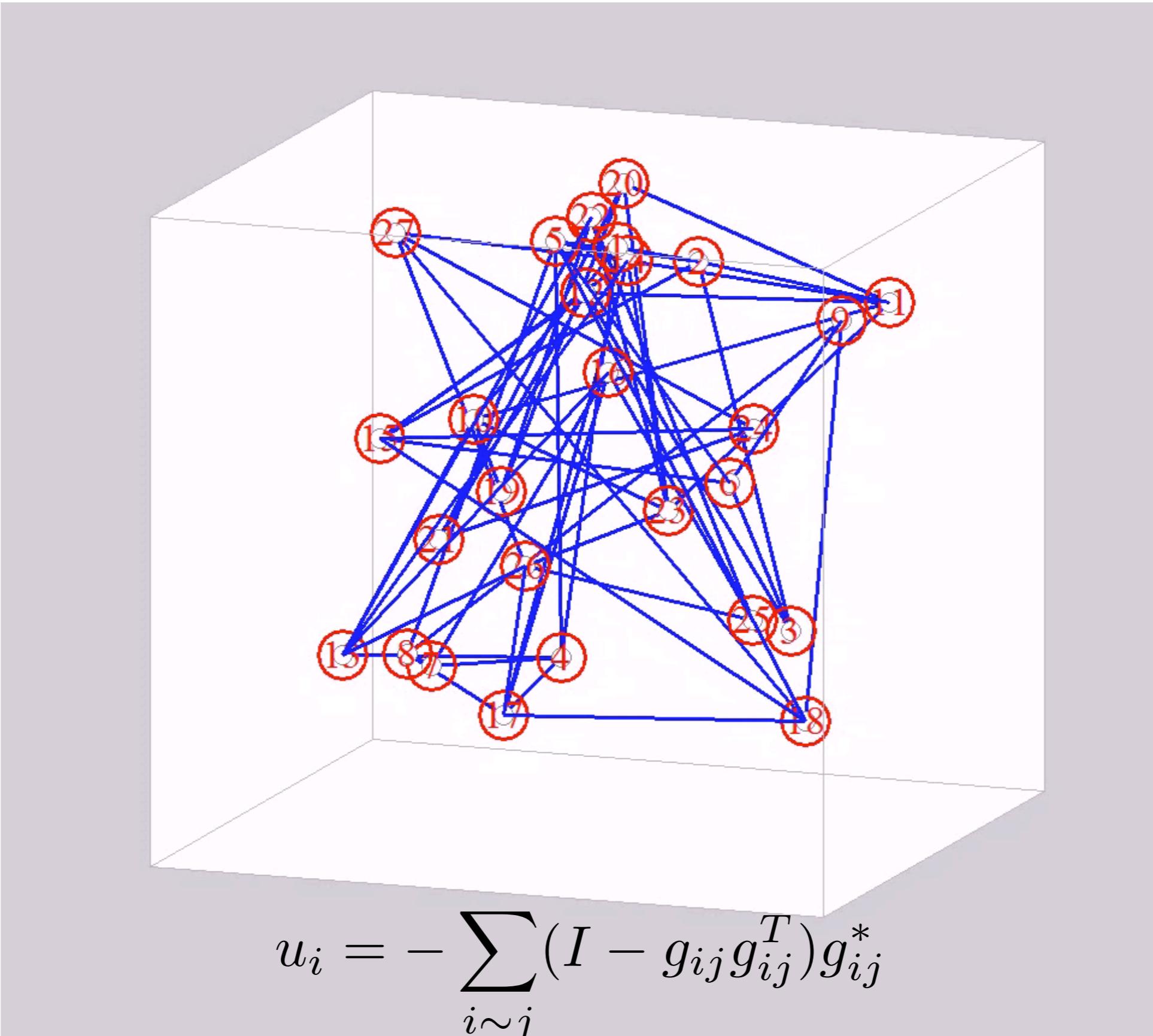
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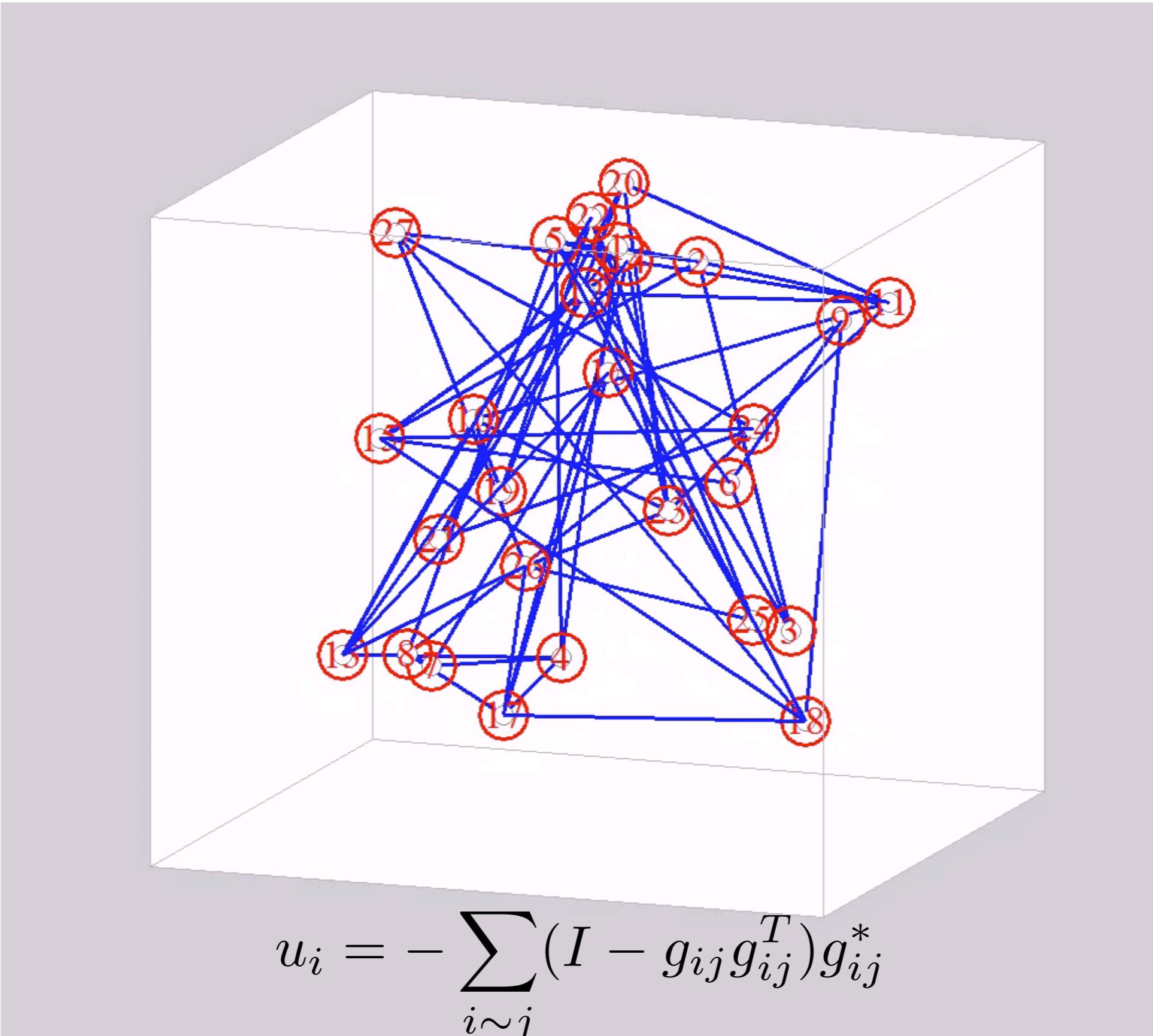
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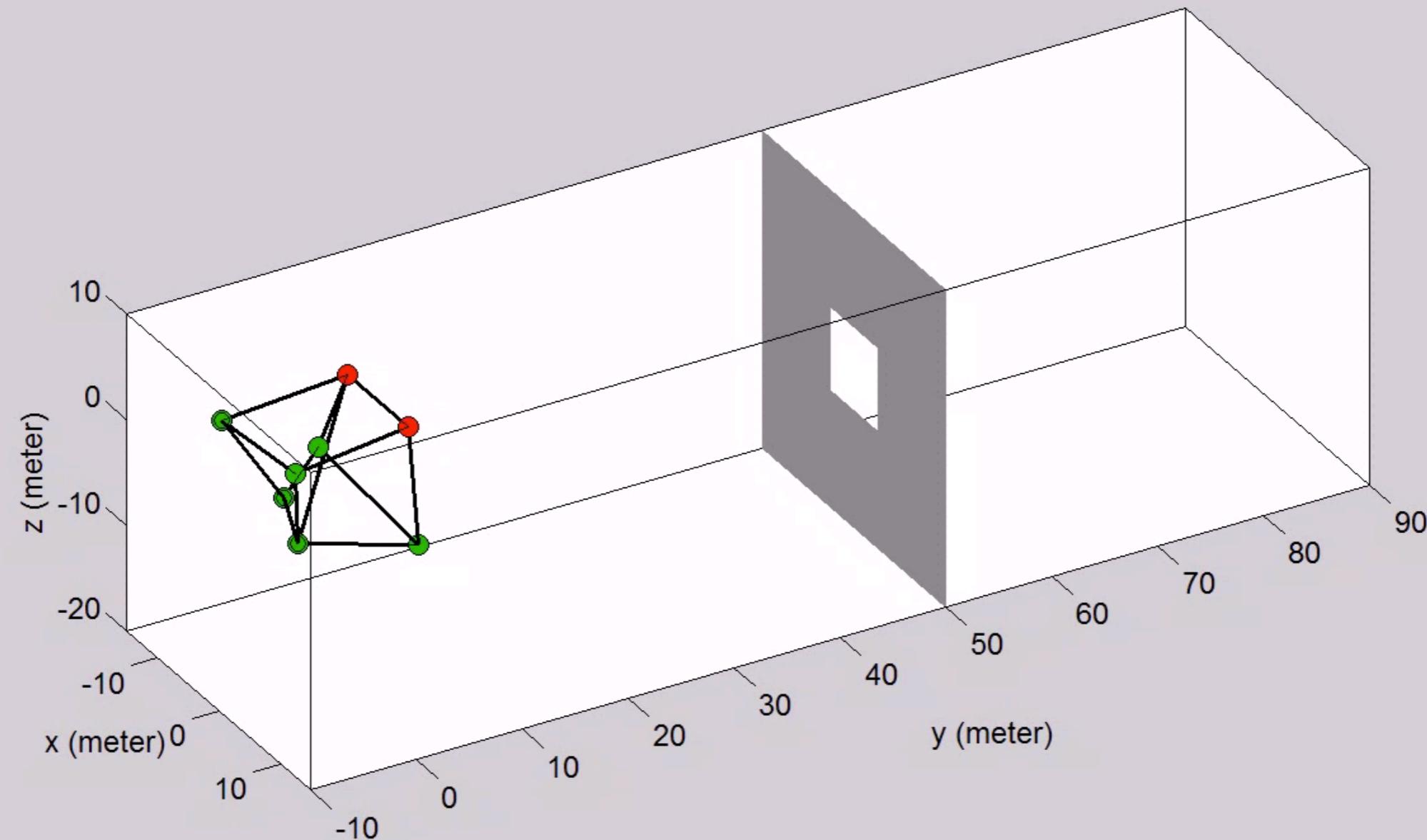
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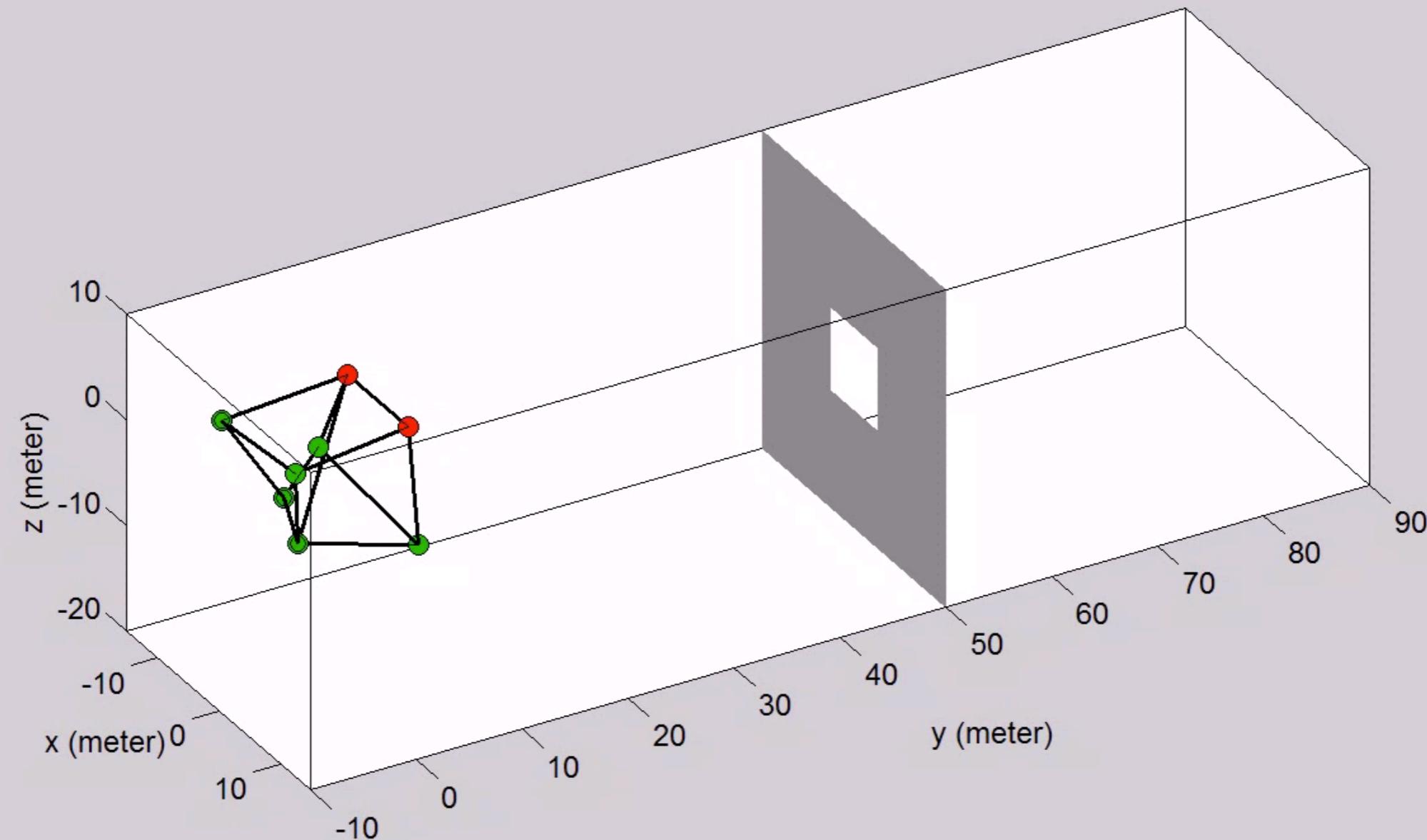
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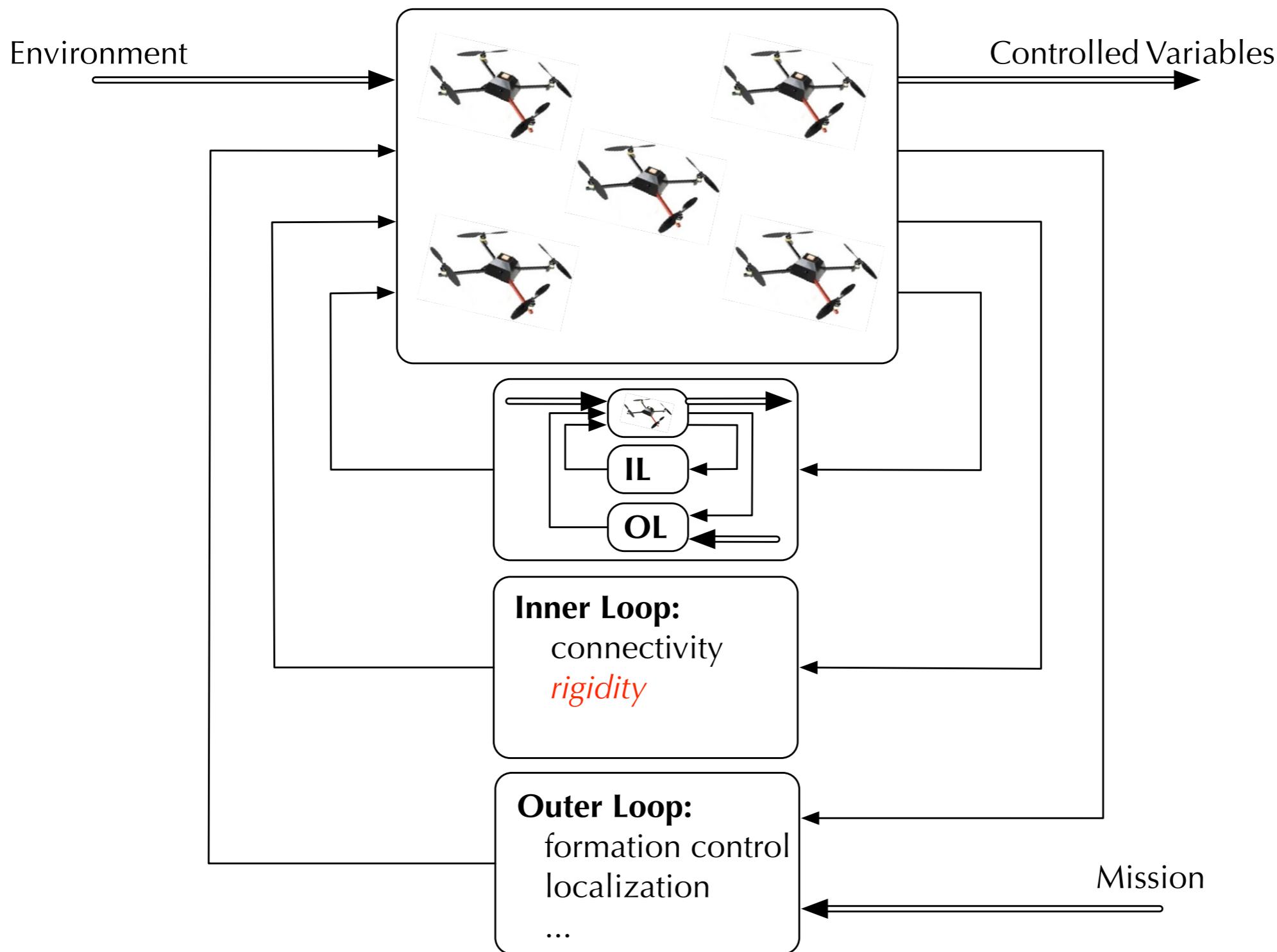
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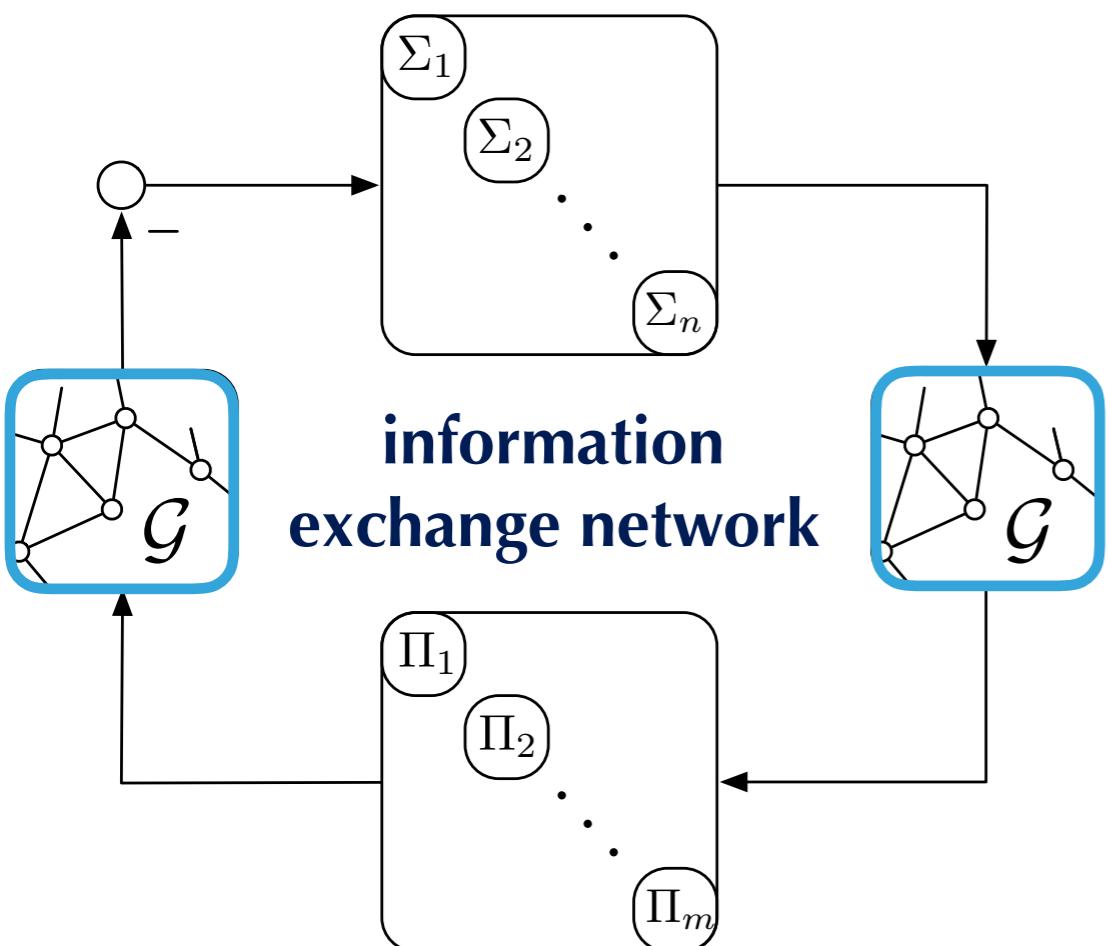
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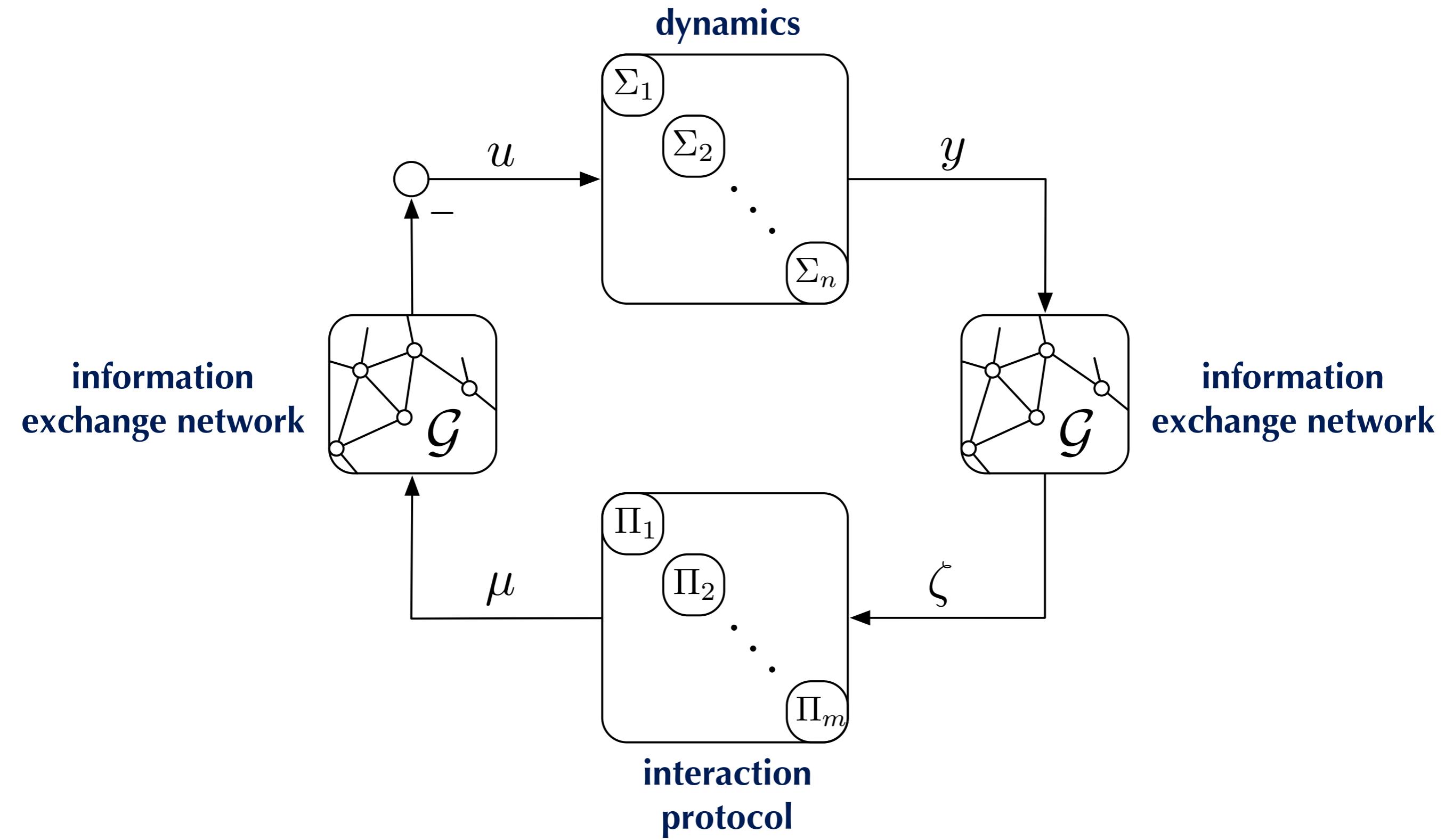


RIGIDITY THEORY FOR MULTI-ROBOT COORDINATION



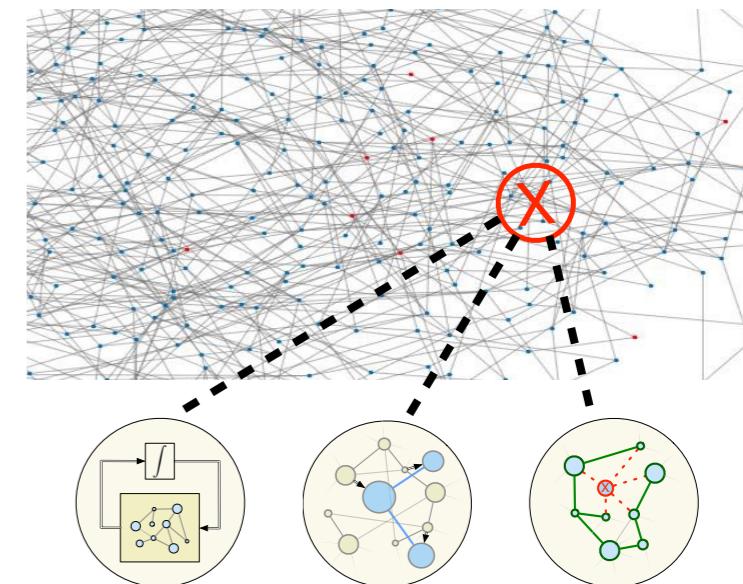
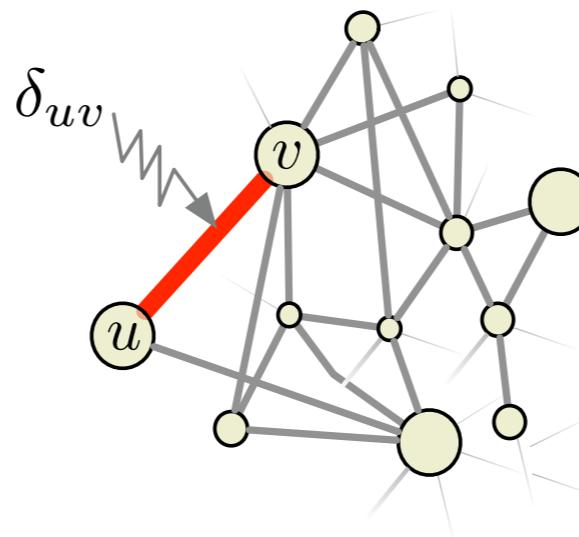
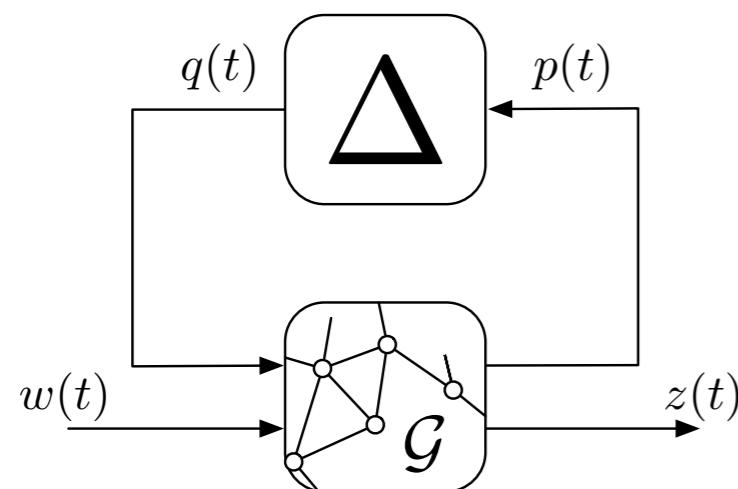
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[Automatica '16, TAC '16, TCNS '17, CSM '18]
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NETWORKED DYNAMIC SYSTEMS



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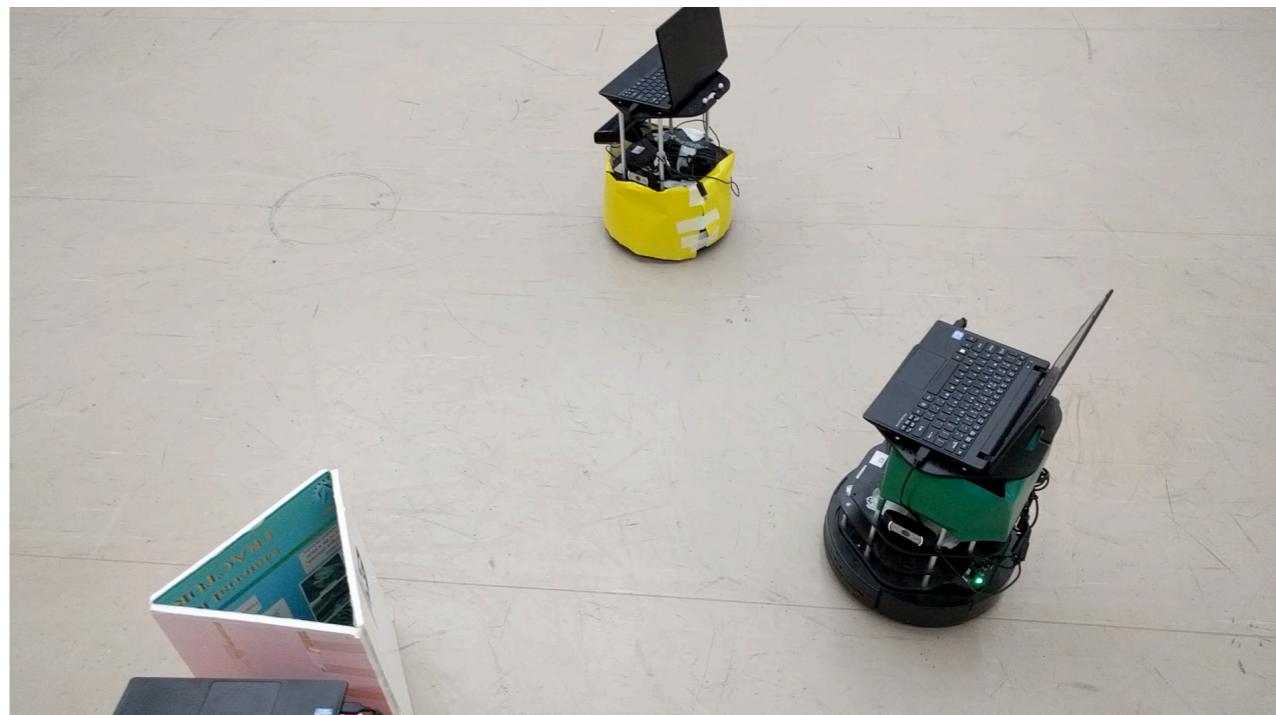
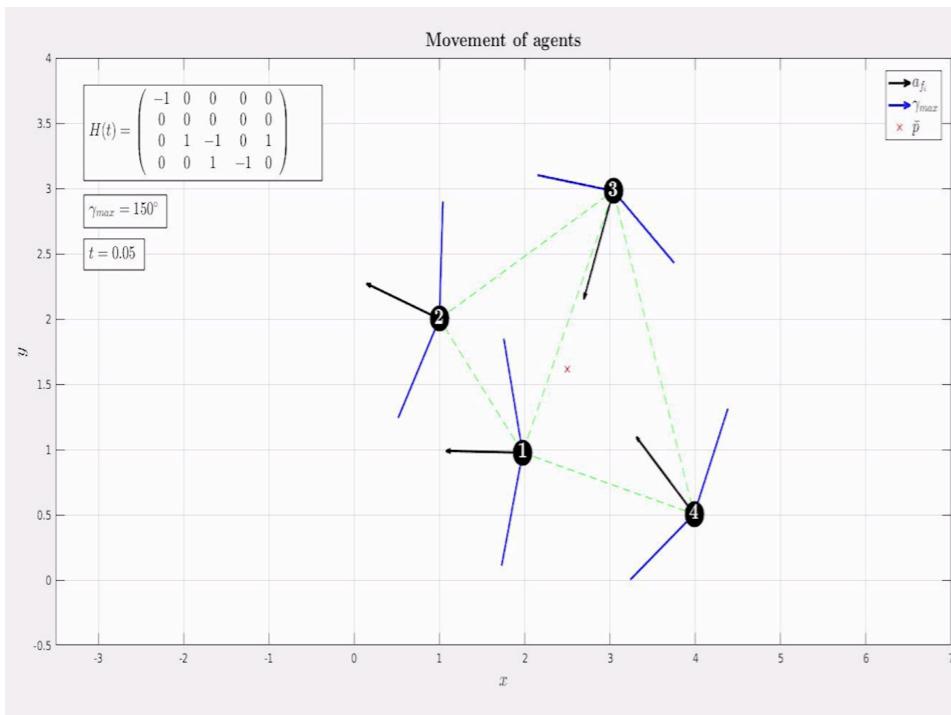
Security, Robustness, and Fault Detection



- ▶ what is the right way to study and design *secure* networked systems?
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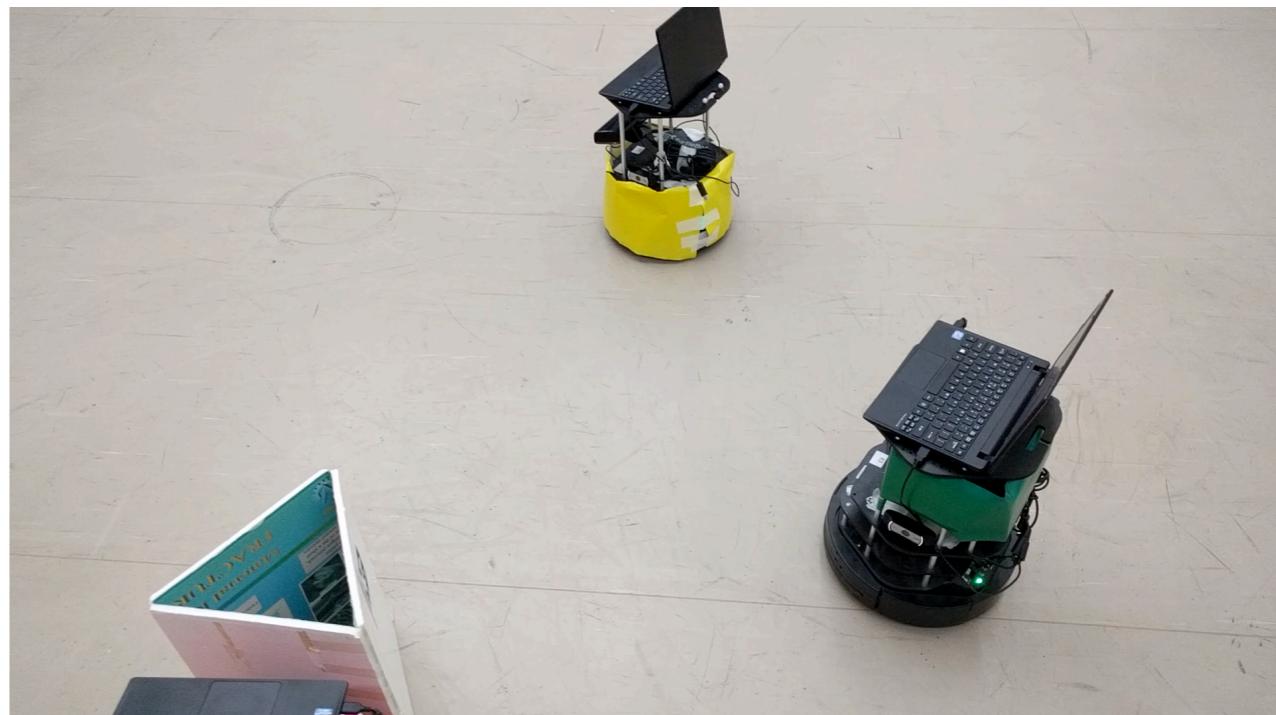
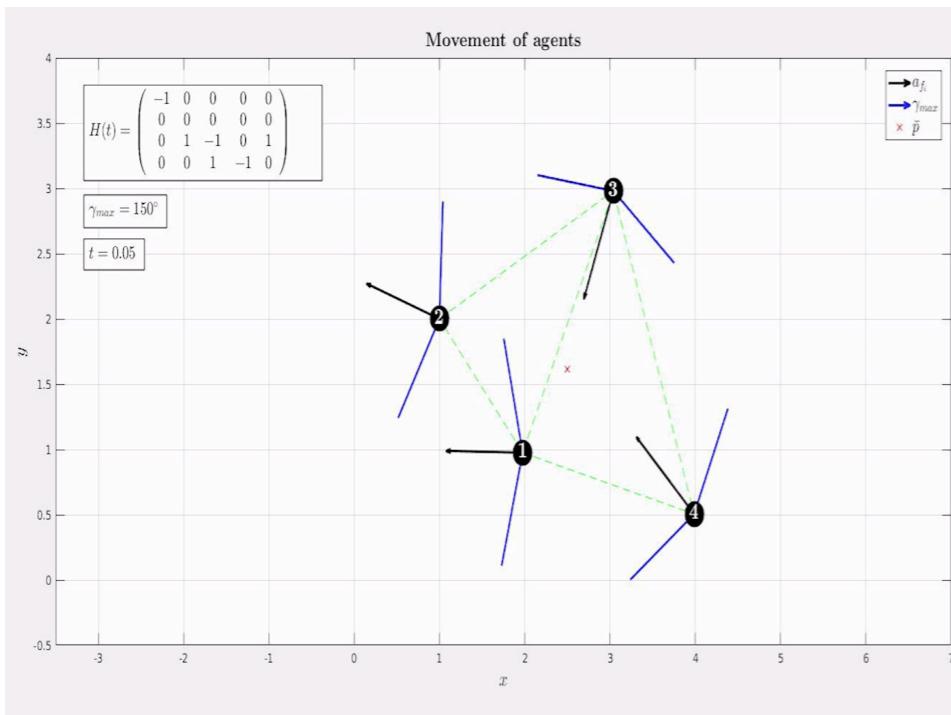
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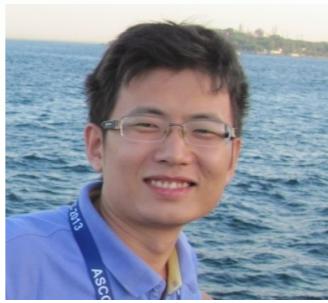
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