

Recent work

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What I can talk about now

- Safety analysis for probabilistic non-linear systems →
 - S. Pruekprasert, T. Takisaka, C. Eberhart, A. Cetinkaya, J. D. Moment Propagation of Discrete-Time Stochastic Polynomial Systems using Truncated Carleman Linearization. IFAC'20
 - S. Pruekprasert, J. D., T. Takisaka, C. Eberhart, A. Cetinkaya. Moment Propagation Through Carleman Linearization with Application to Probabilistic Safety Analysis. Under review (Automatica)
- Self-triggered control synthesis →
 - S. Pruekprasert, C. Eberhart, J. D. Symbolic Self-triggered Control of Continuous-time Non-deterministic Systems without Stability Assumptions for 2-LTL Specifications. ICARCV'20 (best paper finalist)
 - S. Pruekprasert, C. Eberhart, J. D. Fast Synthesis for Symbolic Self-triggered Control under Right-recursive LTL Specifications. CDC'21
- Monotony and optimality properties with KeYmaera X →
 - J. Kolčák, J. D., I. Hasuo, S. Katsumata, D. Sprunger, A. Yamada. Relational Differential Dynamic Logic. TACAS'20
- Decision making using game theory →
 - S. Pruekprasert, X. Zhang, J. D., C. Huang, M. Kishida. Decision Making for Autonomous Vehicles at Unsignalized Intersection in Presence of Malicious Vehicles. ITSC'19
 - S. Pruekprasert, J. D., X. Zhang, C. Huang, M. Kishida. A Game Theoretic Approach to Decision Making for Multiple Vehicles at Roundabout. Preprint

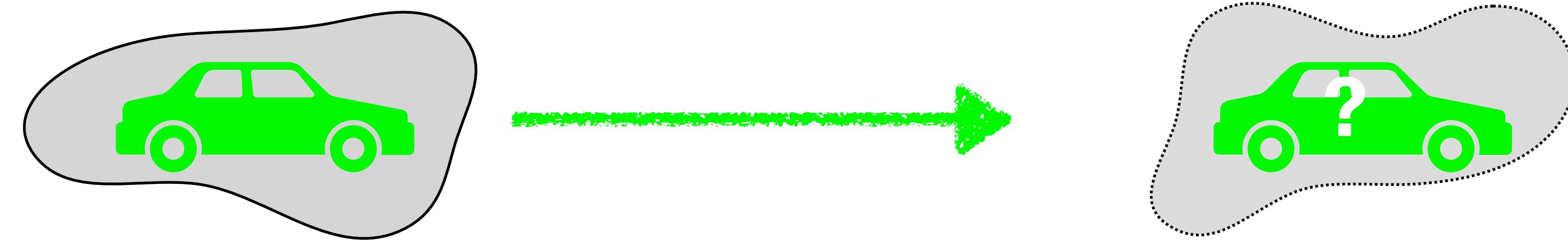
What I can NOT talk about YET

- Spatio-temporal logic to monitor network connectivity (need more time for slides)
- Some work with Mazda (under IP review)
- Category theory and algebraic topology (would need more time)
- Isabelle (I guess Akihisa already talked about it)
- Commonroad (not sure what I can talk about)

Safety analysis for probabilistic non-linear systems

Safety analysis

Goal: Compute a reachability zone for enforcing **safety**



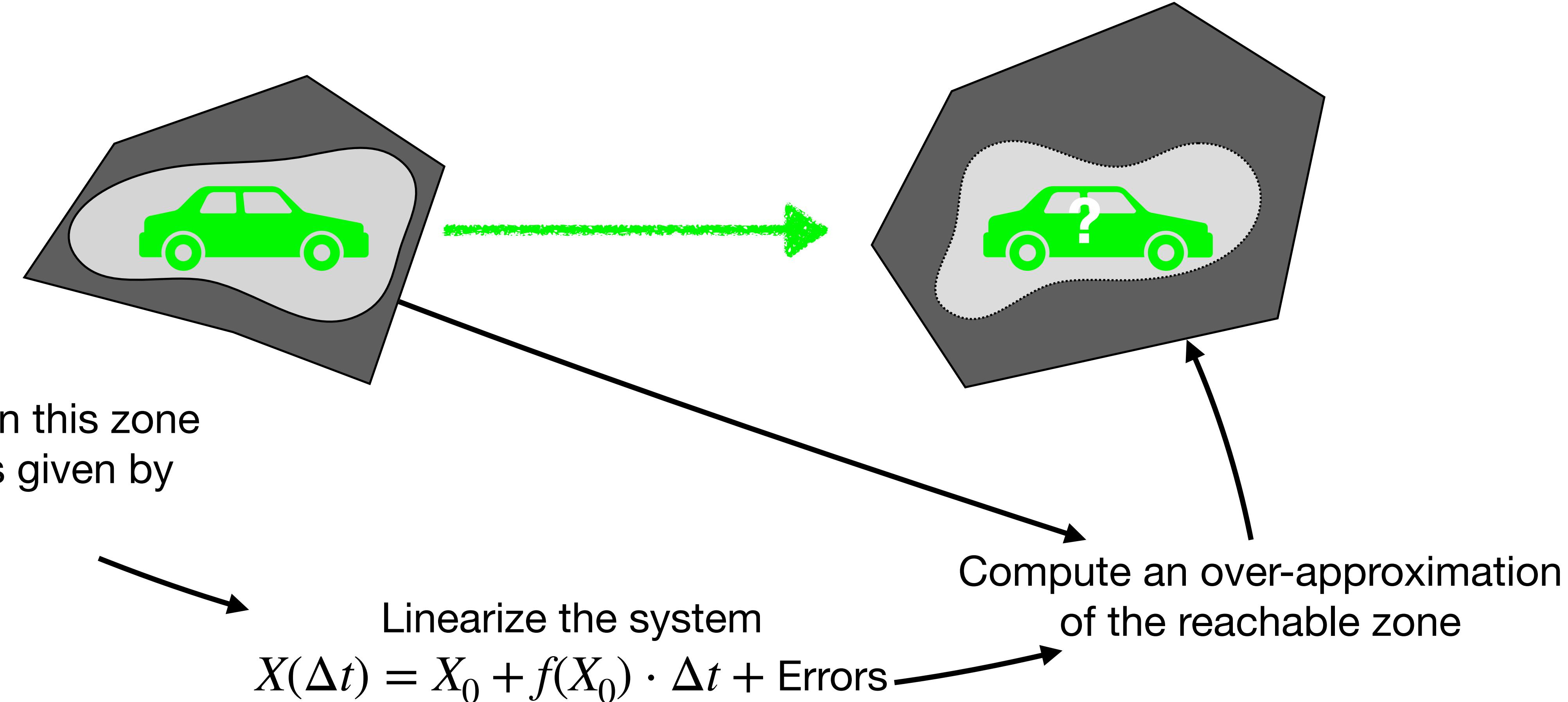
Assume your car is in this zone
and its dynamics is given by

$$\dot{X} = f(X)$$

Compute a zone where the
car is guaranteed to be
in Δt time

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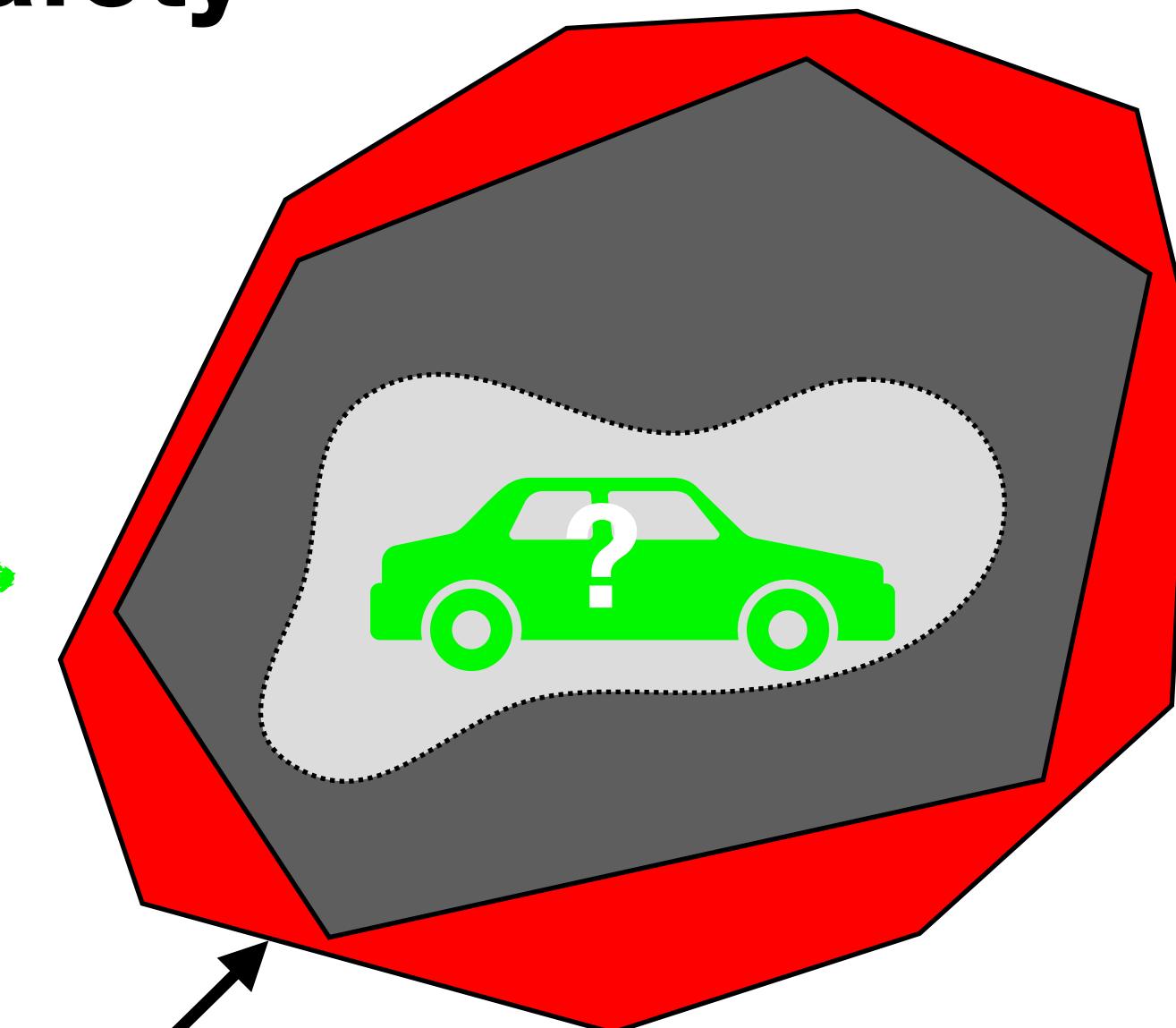
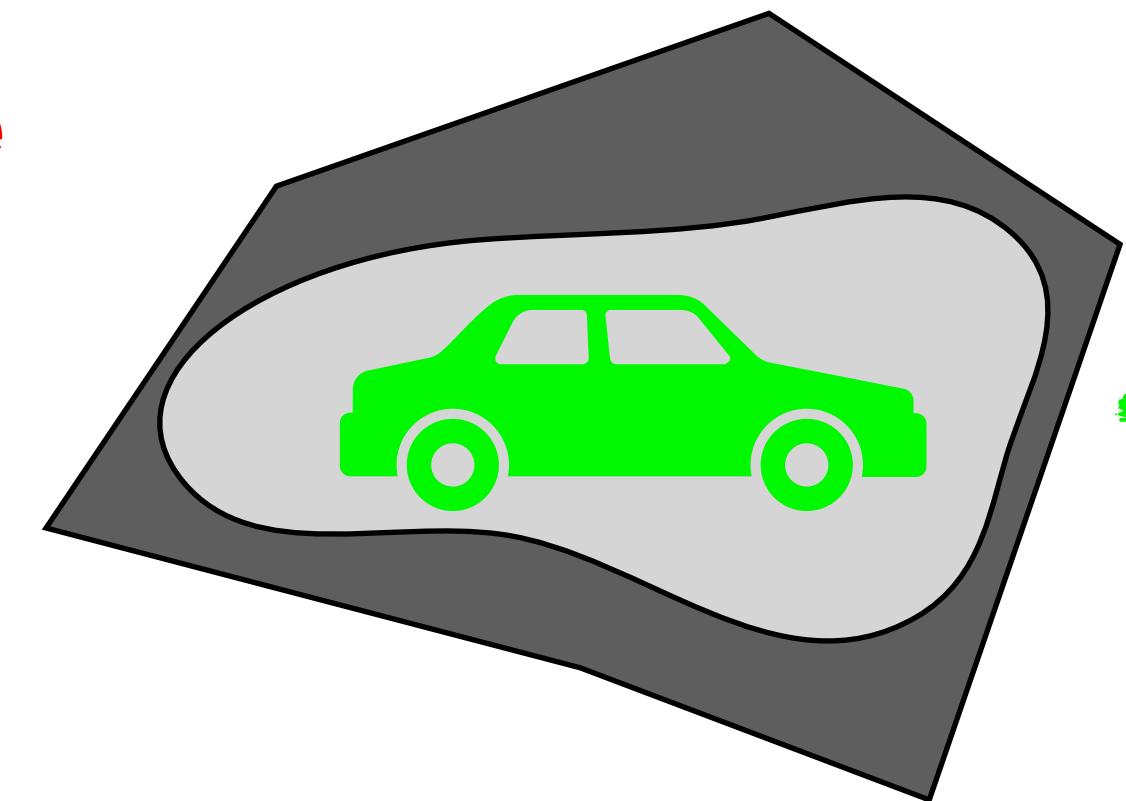
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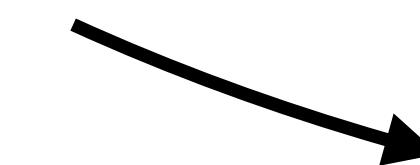
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What about if the system has additive bounded noise?



Assume your car is in this zone and its dynamics is given by

$$\dot{X} = f(X) + \text{Random}$$

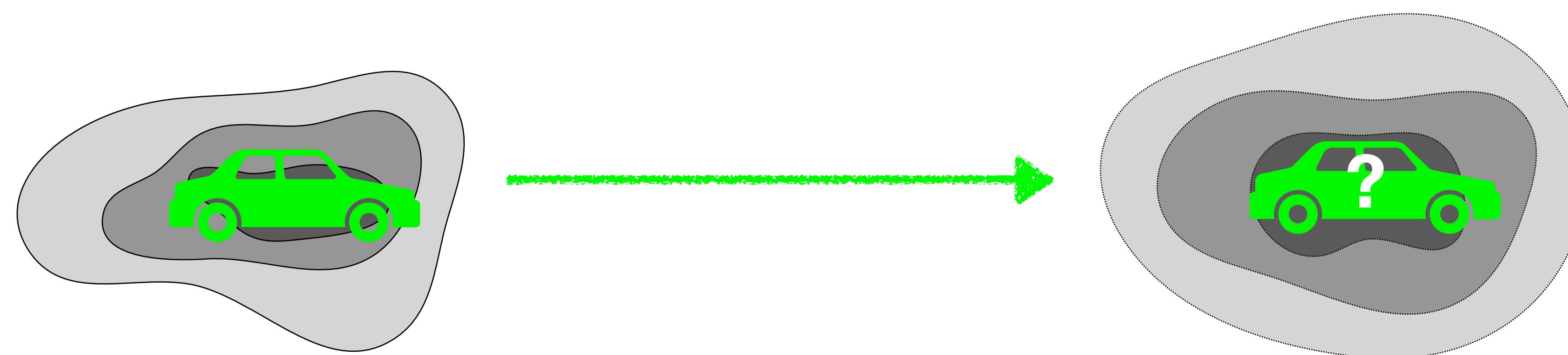


Linearize the system

$$X(\Delta t) = X_0 + f(X_0) \cdot \Delta t + \text{BiggerErrors}$$

Probabilistic safety analysis

Goal: Compute a reachability **probability** for enforcing safety



Assume the initial position follows
this distribution (given by moments)
and the dynamics is given by

$$\dot{X} = f(X)$$

Estimate the distribution after Δt time
(estimate the moments)

Example, a bicycle model

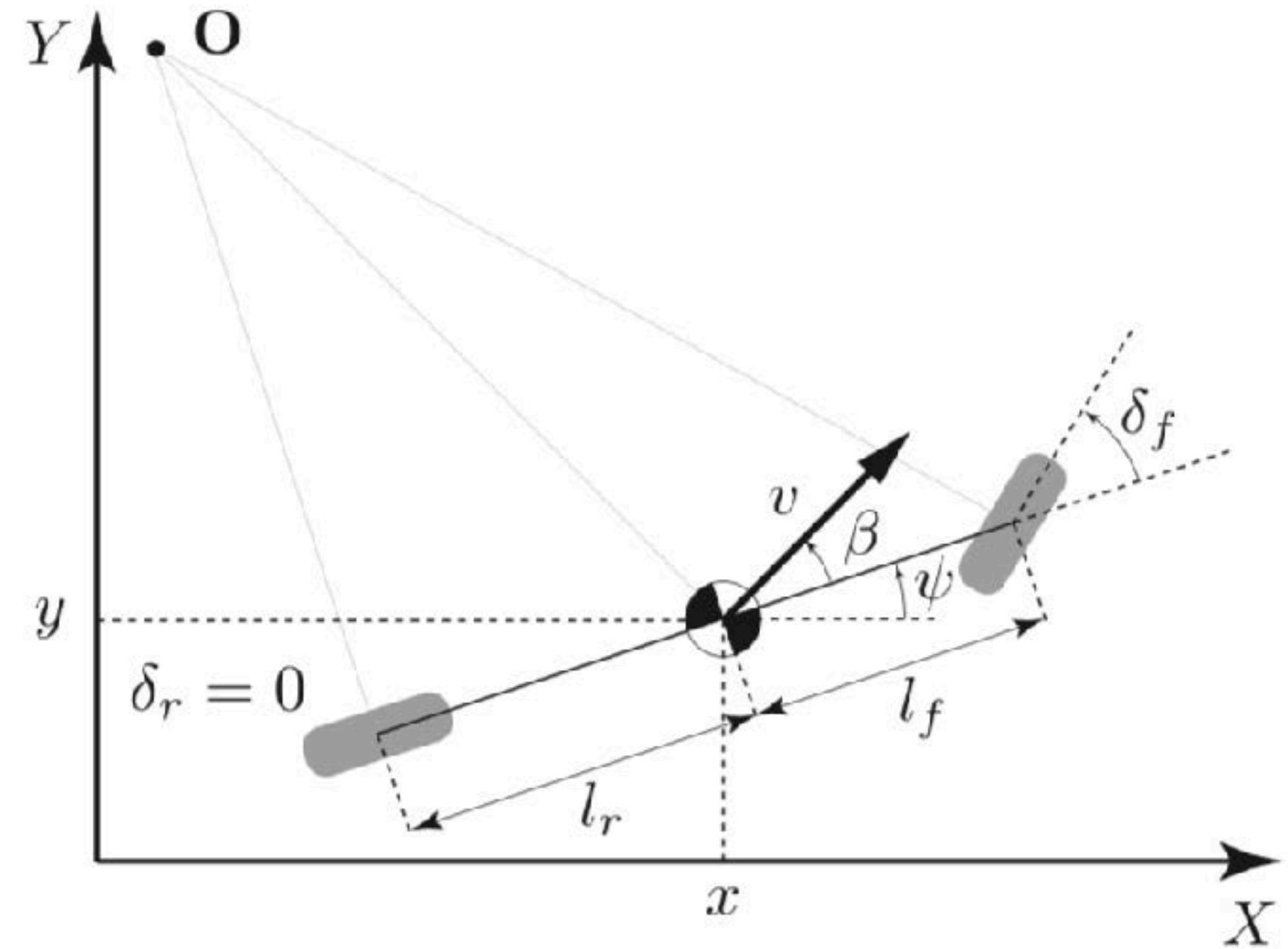


Fig. 1: Kinematic Bicycle Model

$$\dot{x}(t) = v(t) \cdot \cos(\psi(t) + \beta)$$

$$\dot{y}(t) = v(t) \cdot \sin(\psi(t) + \beta)$$

$$\dot{\psi}(t) = \frac{v(t)}{\ell} \cdot \sin \beta$$

$$\dot{v}(t) = a(t)$$

Kong et al., "Kinematic and Dynamic Vehicle Models for Autonomous Driving Control Design", IEEE-IV 2015.

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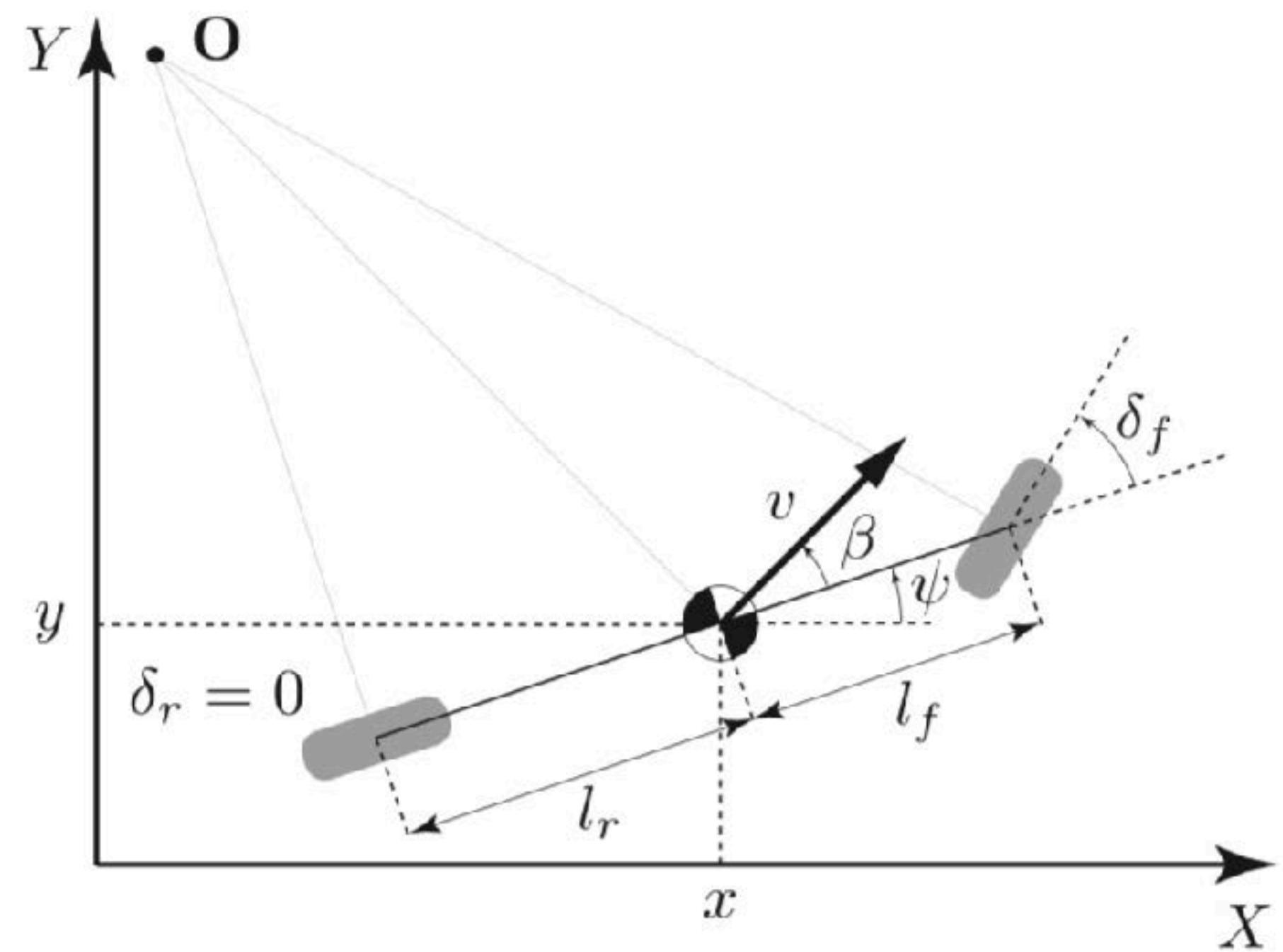


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$$\dot{x}(t) = v(t) \cdot c(t)$$

$$\dot{y}(t) = v(t) \cdot s(t)$$

$$\dot{\psi}(t) = a(t)$$

$$\dot{c}(t) = -\frac{s(t) \cdot v(t) \cdot \sin \beta}{\ell}$$

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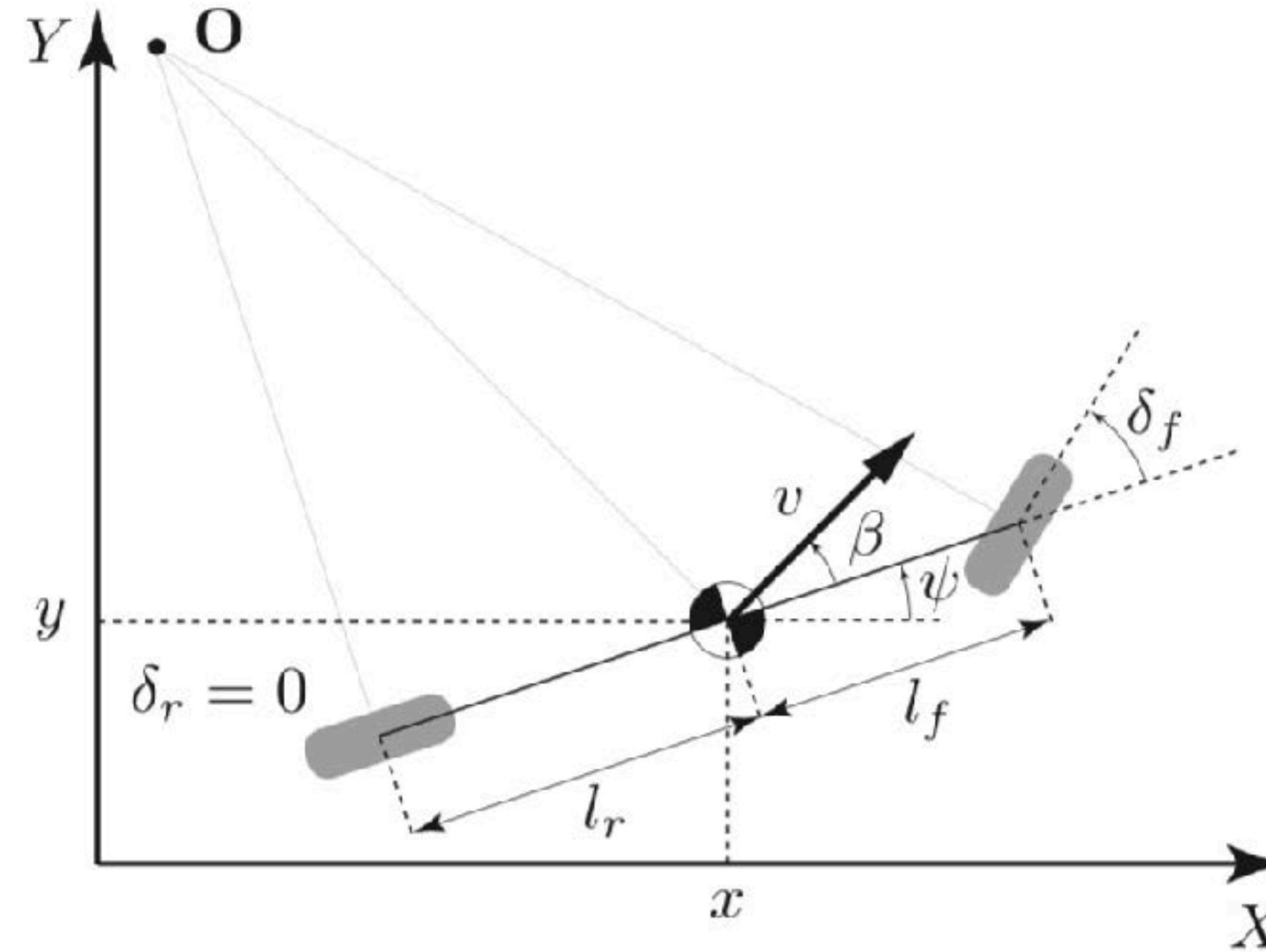


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Discrete time polynomial system

States are given by vectors:

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satisfying an equation of the form:

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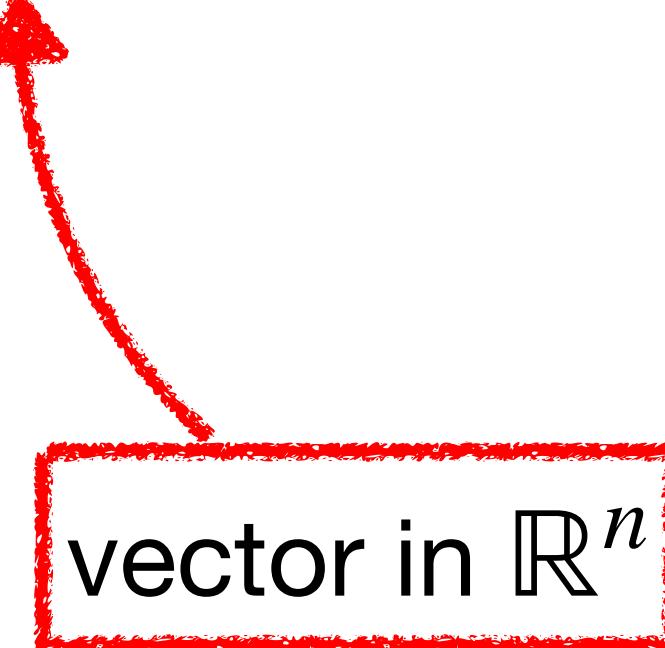
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The diagram shows the state transition equation $x(t+1) = F_0(t) + F_1(t) \cdot x(t) + \dots + F_d(t) \cdot x^{[d]}(t)$. Four components are highlighted with red boxes: $x(0) = x_0$ (top), $F_1(t)$ (second term), $x(t)$ (second term), and $F_0(t)$ (first term). Arrows point from three of these boxes to other components: a blue arrow from $x(0) = x_0$ to $x(t)$, a red arrow from $n \times n$ matrix to $F_0(t)$, and a red arrow from $n \times n$ matrix to $F_1(t)$.

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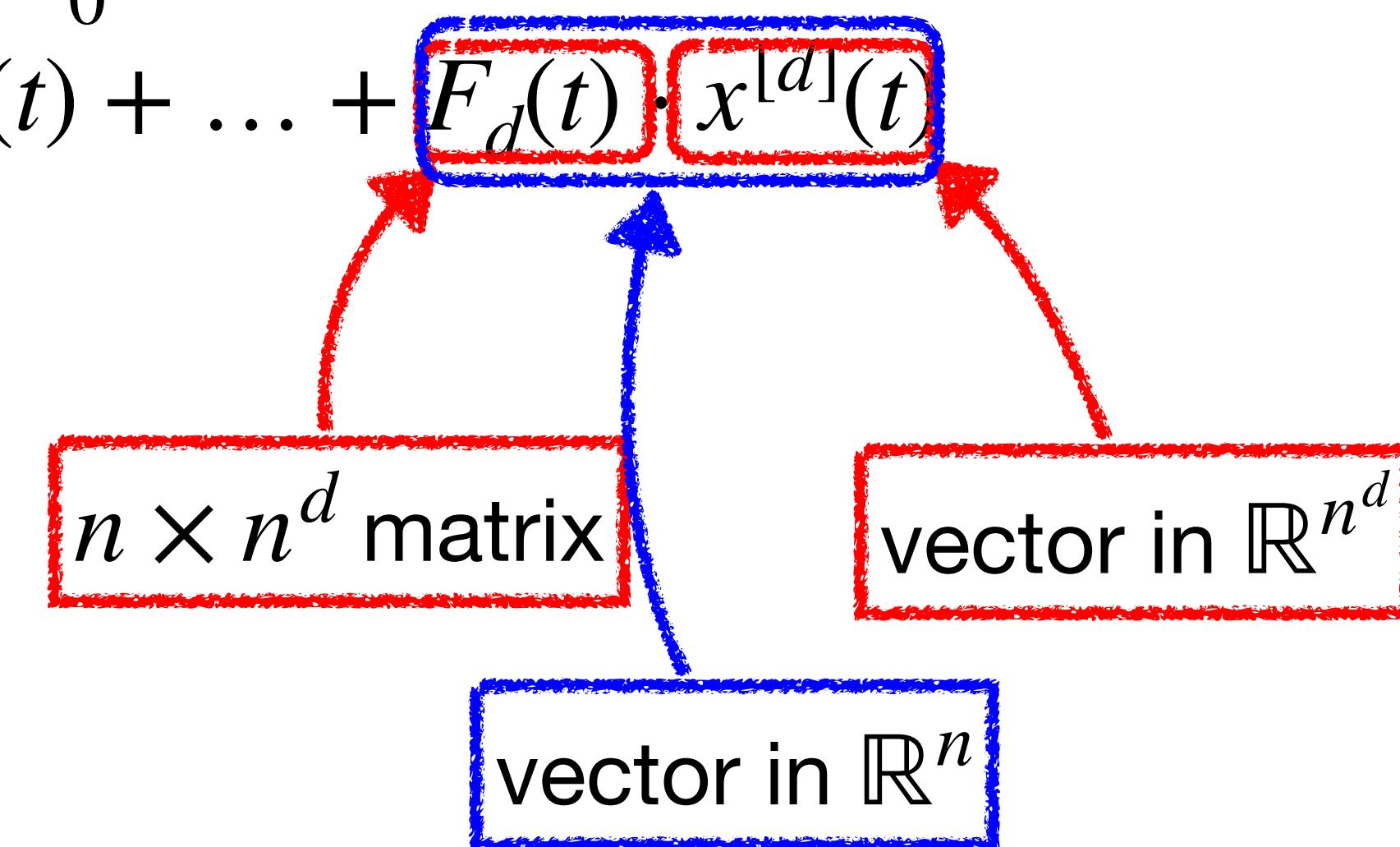
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d -th Kronecker
power of $x(t)$



$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}^{[2]} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 x_1 \\ x_1 x_2 \\ x_1 x_3 \\ x_2 x_1 \\ x_2 x_2 \\ x_2 x_3 \\ x_3 x_1 \\ x_3 x_2 \\ x_3 x_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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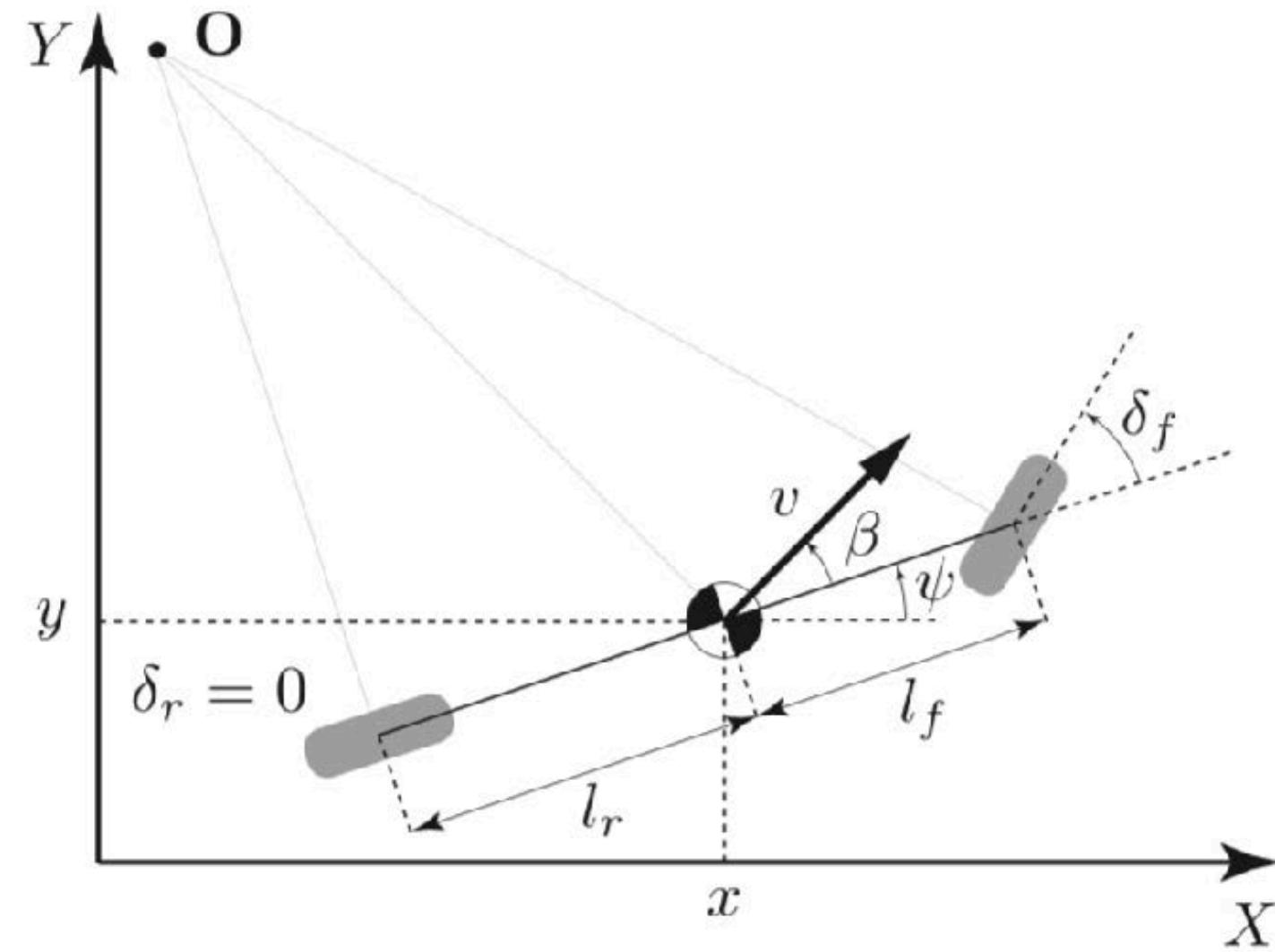


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$$F_0(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \Delta a(t) \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Discrete time polynomial stochastic system

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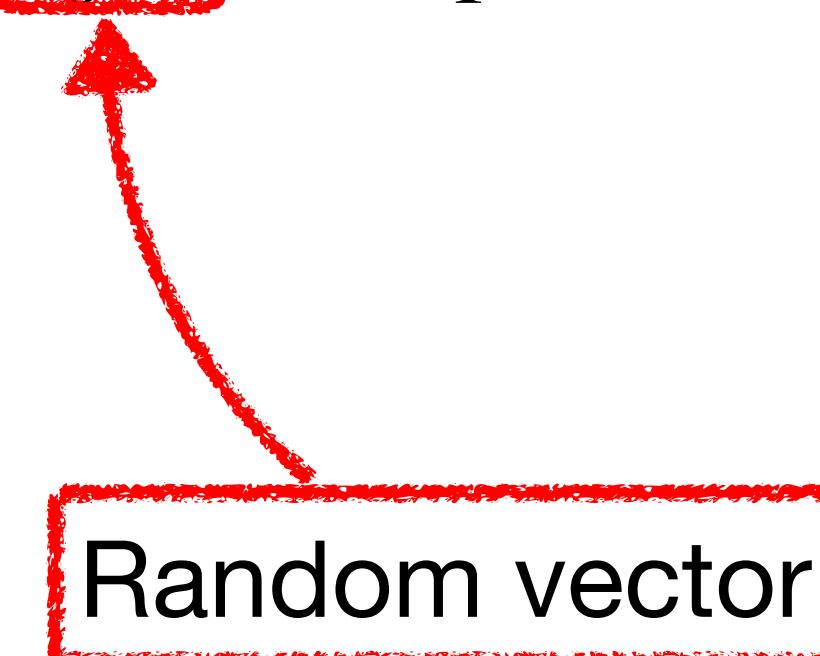
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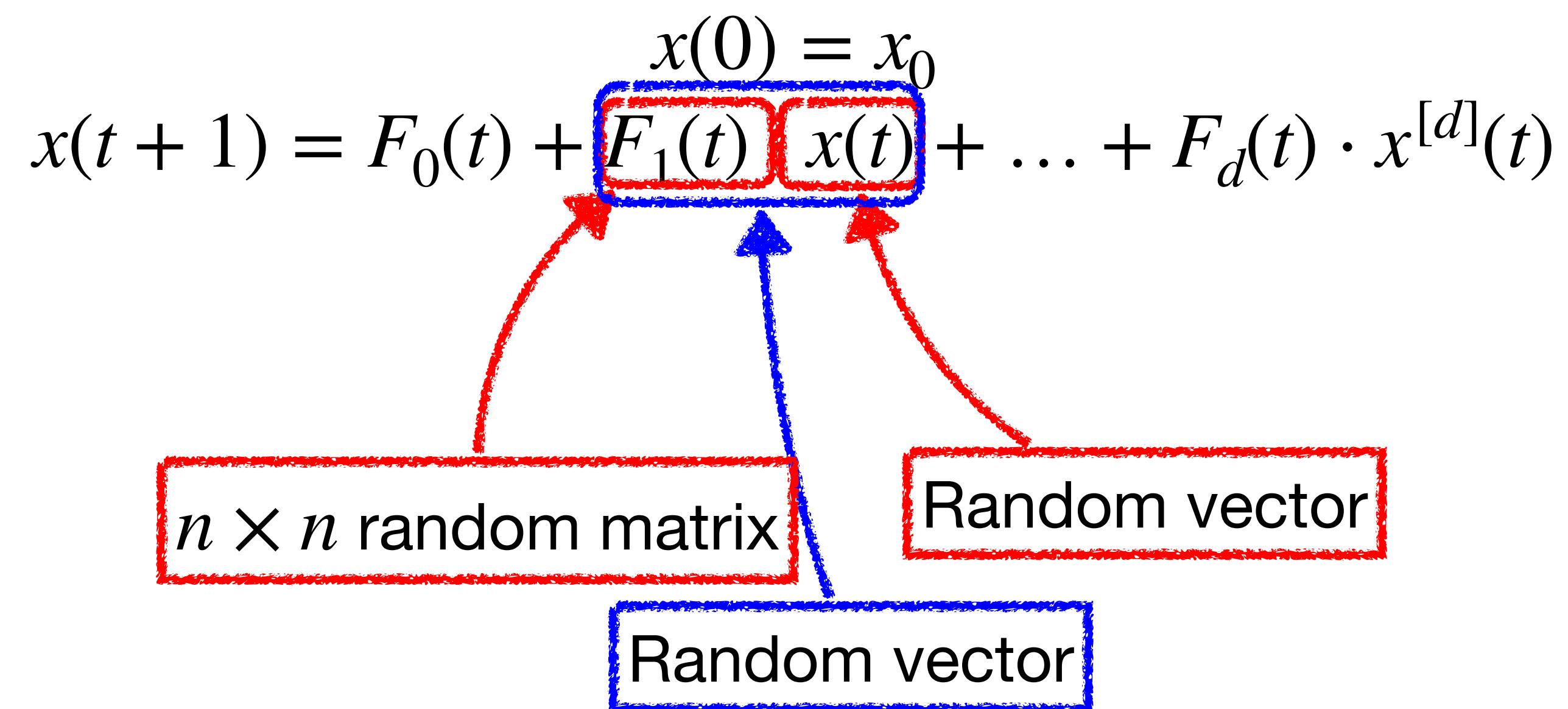


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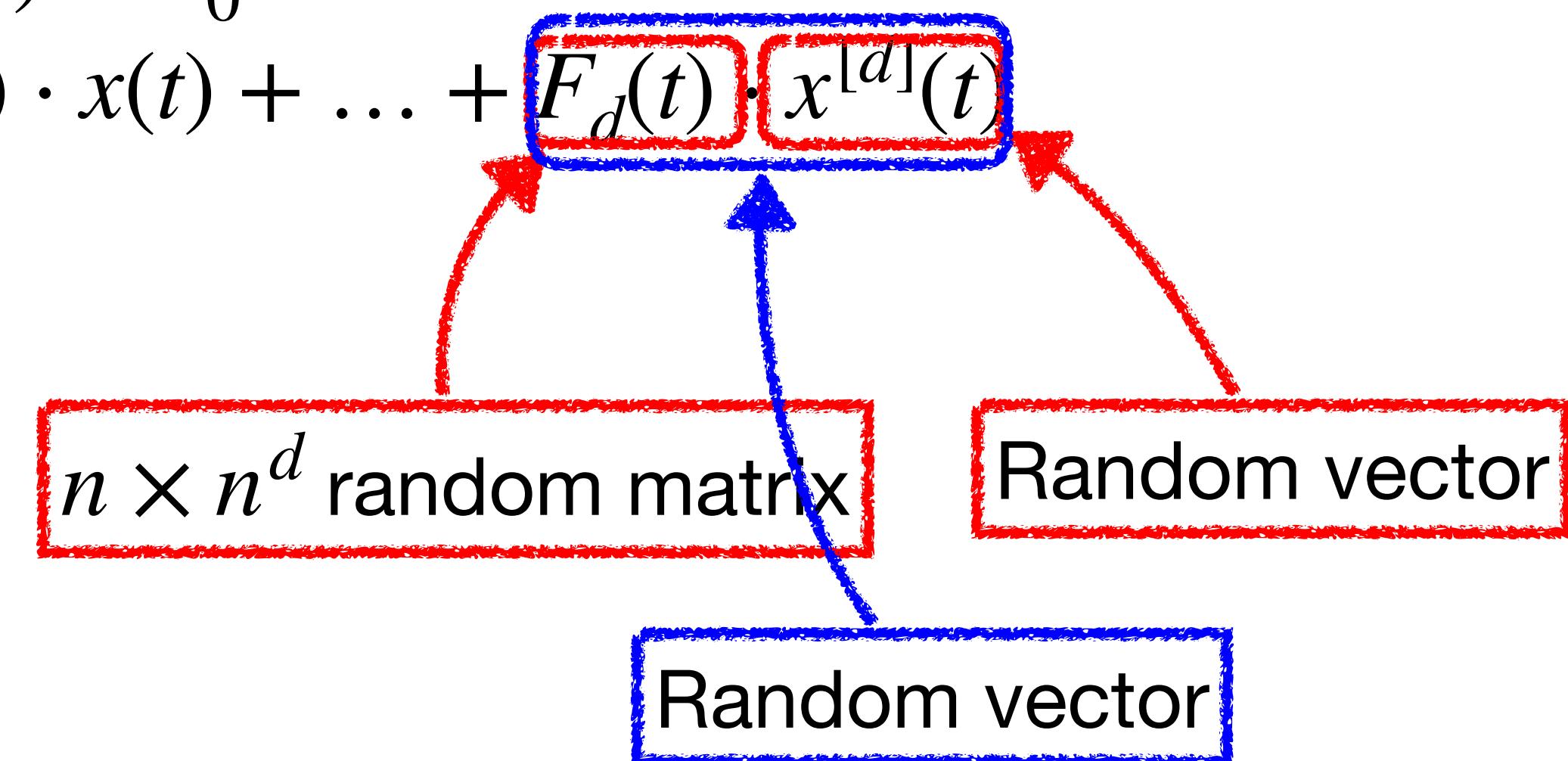
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($F_i(t)$ and $F_j(s)$ are independent for $t \neq s$)

($F_i(t)$ and $F_i(s)$ are identically distributed)

nor on x_0

(x_0 and $F_i(t)$ are independent)

Carleman linearisation

Main idea: transform a finite-dimensional polynomial system into a infinite-dimensional linear system

$$x(t+1) = F_0(t) + F_1(t) \cdot x(t) + \dots + F_d(t) \cdot x^{[d]}(t)$$

Computing the Kronecker products:

$$x^{[j]}(t+1) = \sum_{k=0}^{jd} A_{j,k}(t) \cdot x^{[k]}(t)$$

where $A_{j,k}(t)$ is computed from the $F_i(t)$. Using:

$$y(t) = [1 \ x(t) \ x^{[2]}(t) \ \dots]$$

we obtain the following infinite-dimensional linear system:

$$y(t+1) = A(t) \cdot y(t)$$

where $A(t)$ is computed from the $F_i(t)$.

Moment equations

The j -th moments of $x(t)$ are given by $\mathbb{E}(x^{[j]}(t))$.

Equations between the moments:

$$\mathbb{E}(x^{[j]}(t + 1)) = \sum_{k=0}^{jd} \mathbb{E}(A_{j,k}(t) \cdot x^{[k]}(t))$$

using the assumptions:

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and $\mathbb{E}(A_{j,k}(t))$ is independent of t . We then obtain:

$$\mathbb{E}(y(t + 1)) = E \cdot \mathbb{E}(y(t))$$

where E is computed from the moments of the $F_i(t)$.

Truncated system

M. Forest, A. Pouly, “Explicit error bounds for Carleman linearization”, arXiv:1711.02552, 2017.

Fix N , and define E_N the restriction of E to the $\sum_{k=0}^N n^k$ raws and columns.

Our estimation of the N -th first moments of $x(t)$ is given by the following system:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{y}(0) &= [1 \quad \mathbb{E}(x_0) \quad \dots \quad \mathbb{E}(x_0^{[N]})] \\ \tilde{y}(t+1) &= E_N \cdot \tilde{y}(t)\end{aligned}$$

That is, $\tilde{y}(t)$ is an approximation of $[1 \quad \mathbb{E}(x(t)) \quad \dots \quad \mathbb{E}(x^{[N]}(t))]$.

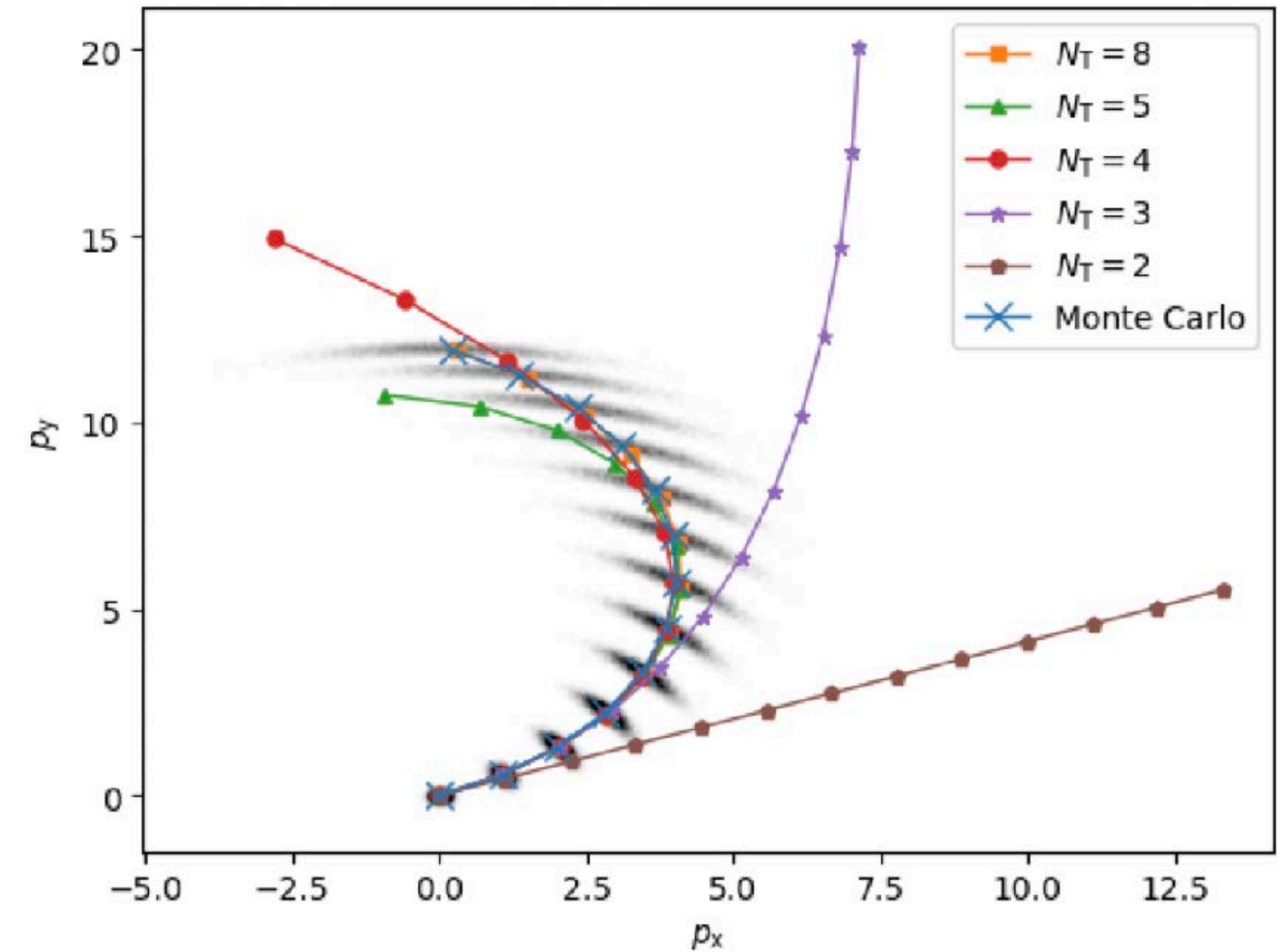
Furthermore, we have efficient ways of computing bounds of the errors.

Computation tasks

- Compute E_N for a fixed N
 - Kronecker product algebra + computing moments
 - Very expensive
 - **OFFLINE**
- Compute the approximations $\tilde{y}(1), \dots, \tilde{y}(h)$
 - Matrix multiplications
 - Very cheap (even cheaper if done on a GPU?)
 - **ONLINE**
- Computing a bound on the error
 - Basic computations
 - Quite cheap
 - **ONLINE**

Our method vs sampling

Method	Monte Carlo		Moment propagation			
Parameters	num. samples		N_T			
	10	10^4	4	16	64	256
Time (μ s)	2.9e10 ³	3.4e10 ⁶	11	14	30	93



Tail probability analysis

Proposition:

If $\| \cdot \|$ is the Euclidian norm:

$$P(\|x(t) - \tilde{x}_1(t)\| \geq \alpha) \leq \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (\tilde{x}_2(t))_{i,i} + \epsilon_{i,i} - \max\{0, (|\tilde{x}_1(t)|_i - \epsilon_i)^2\}}{(\alpha - \epsilon)^2}$$

Proof:

Chebyshev's inequality

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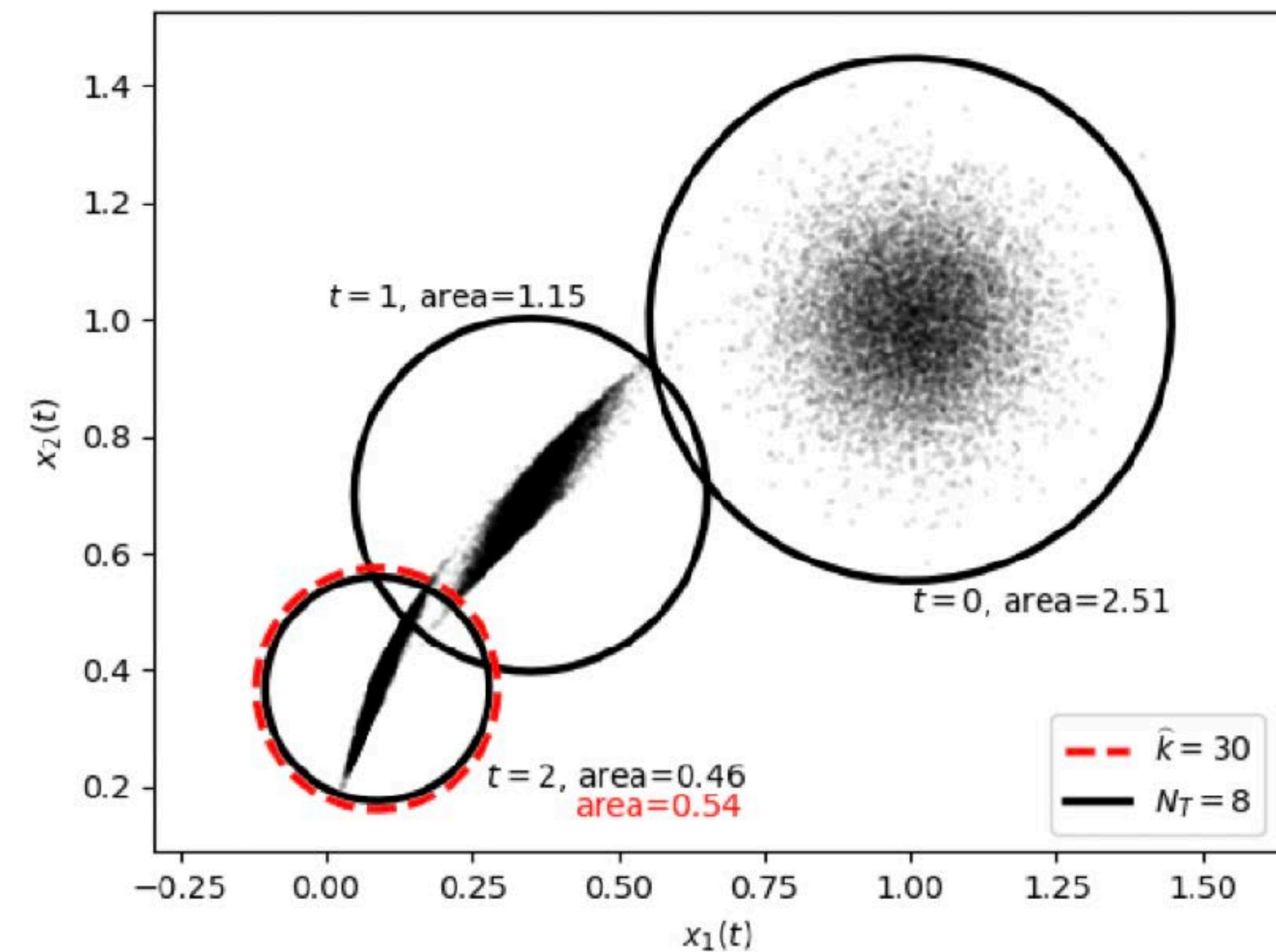
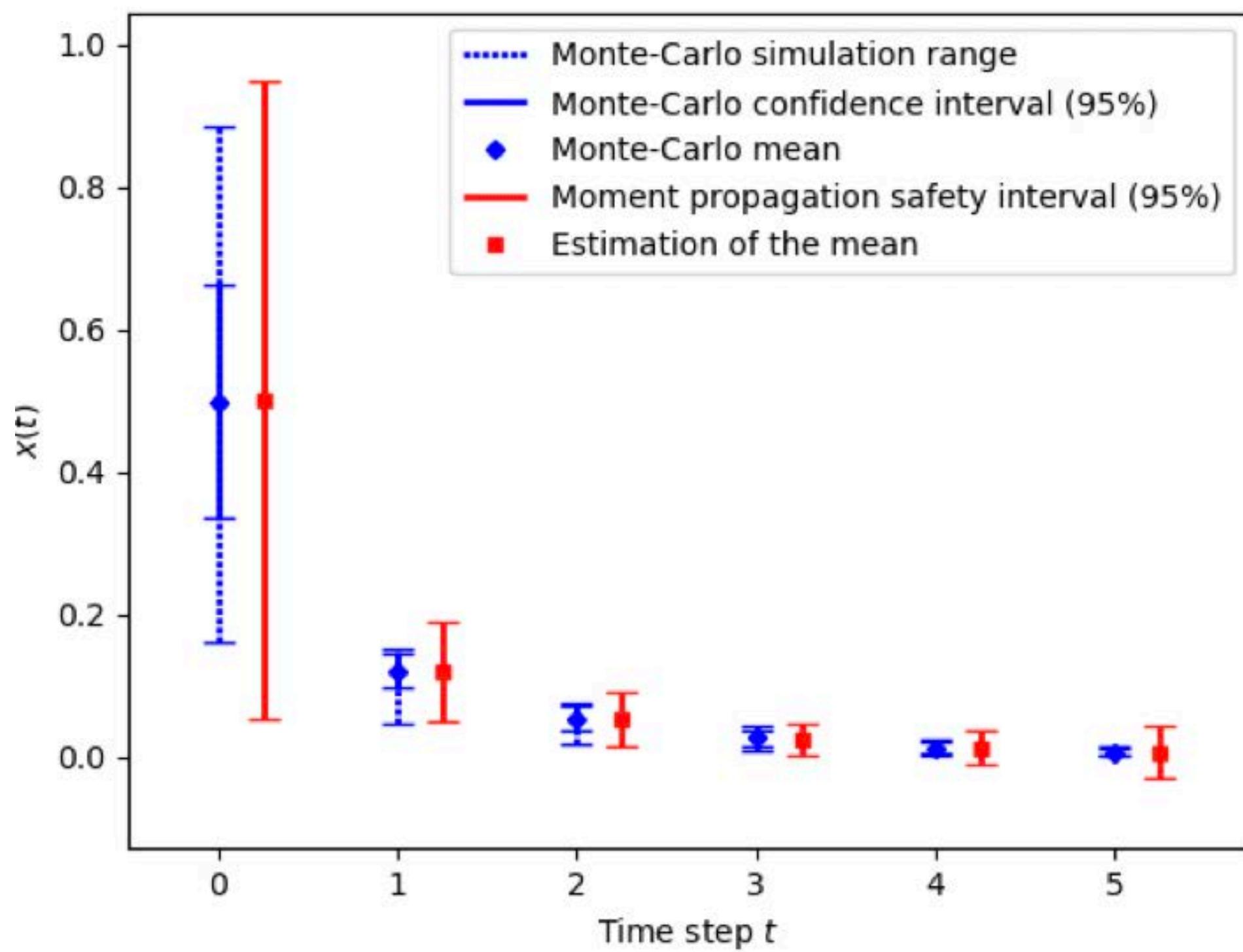
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Experimental results



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when the truncation is big enough.

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How to compute Q ?

- Solve the following convex optimisation problem:

minimise $\det(Q^{-1})$ under

Q is definite-positive

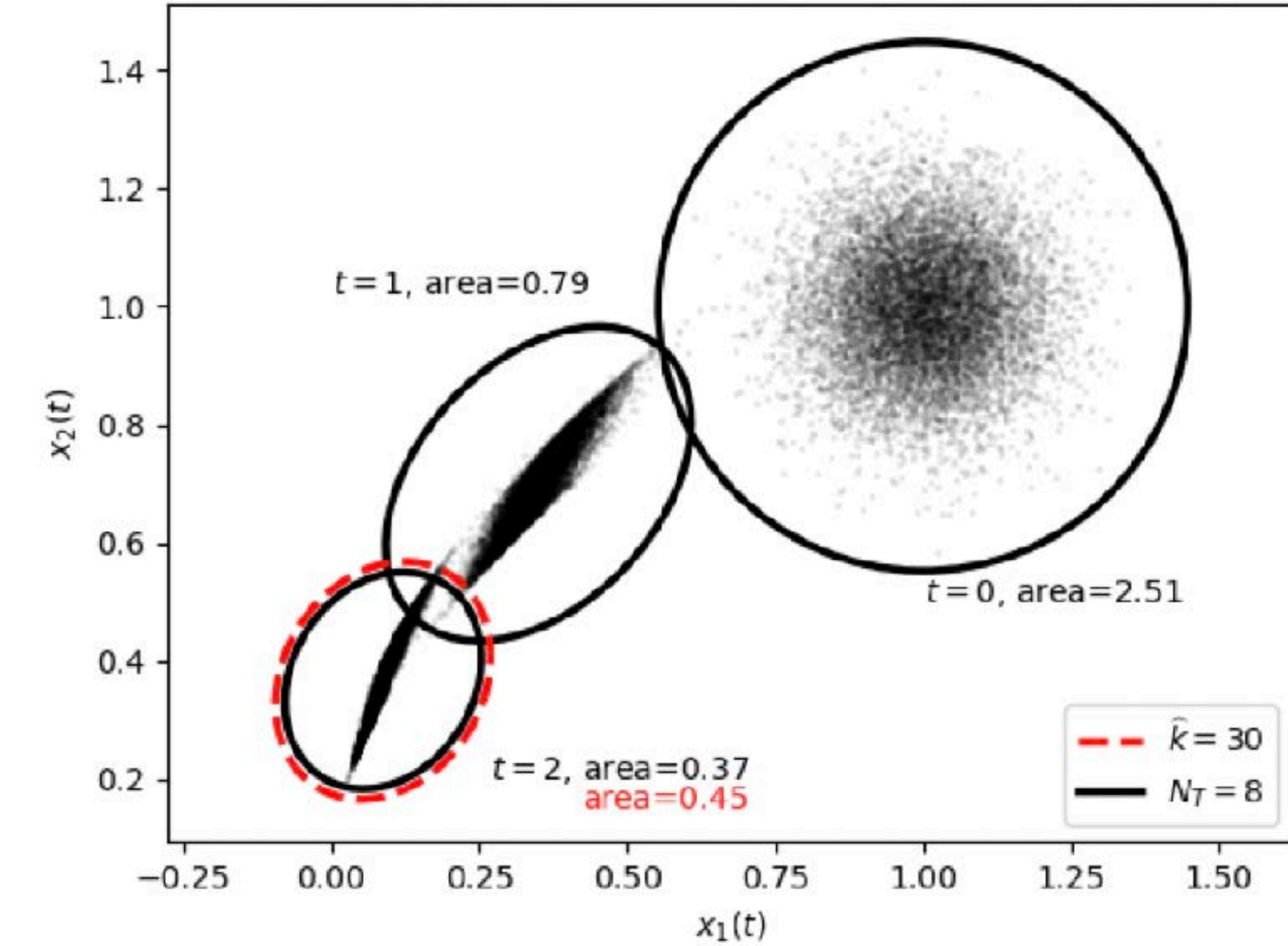
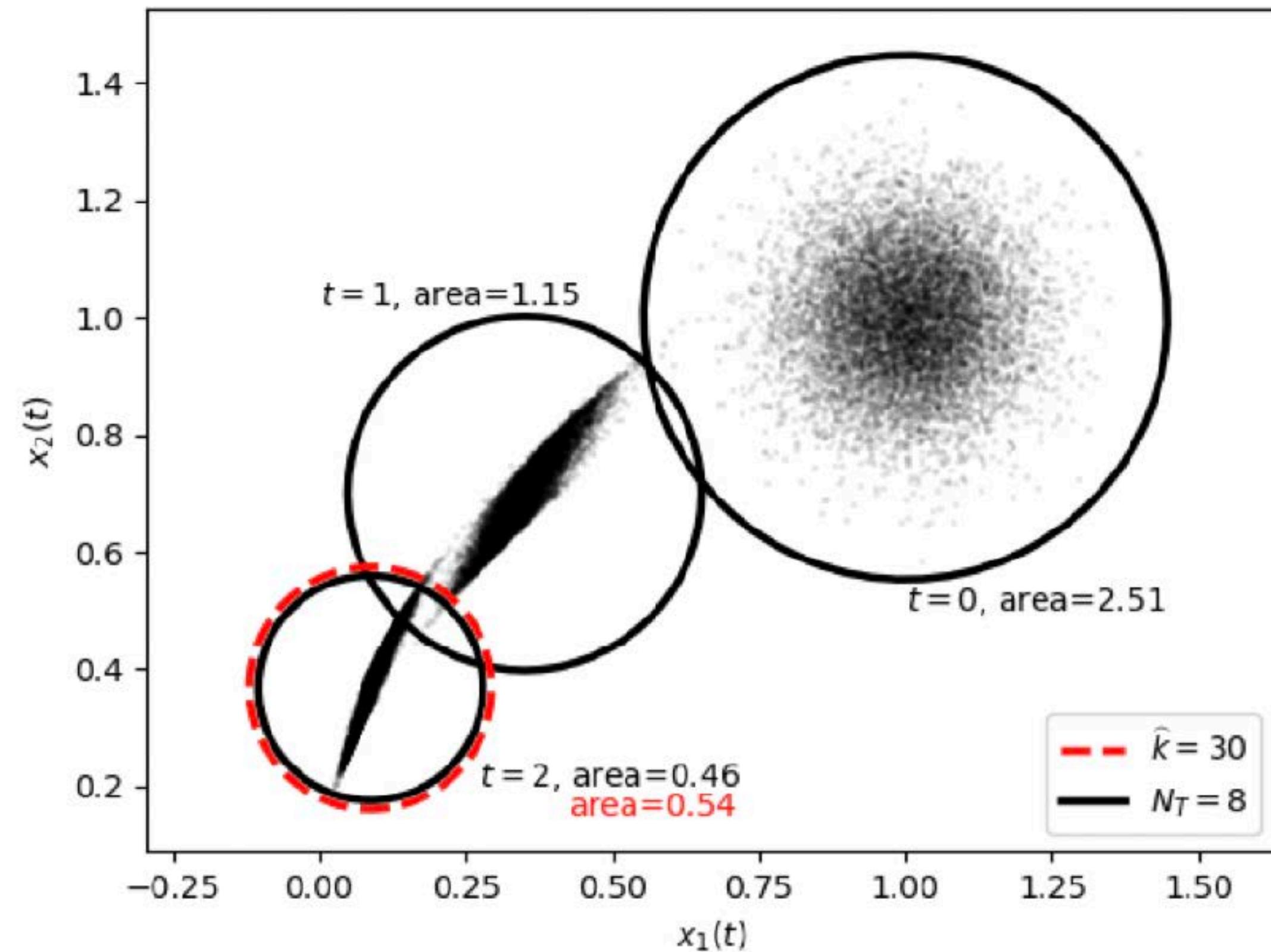
$$\frac{\sum_{i,j=1}^n Q_{i,j}((\tilde{x}_2(t))_{i,j} - (\tilde{x}_1(t))_i(\tilde{x}_1(t))_j)}{\alpha^2} \leq p$$

- Compute ϵ_Q
- Then $x(t)$ is guaranteed to be in the ellipsoid

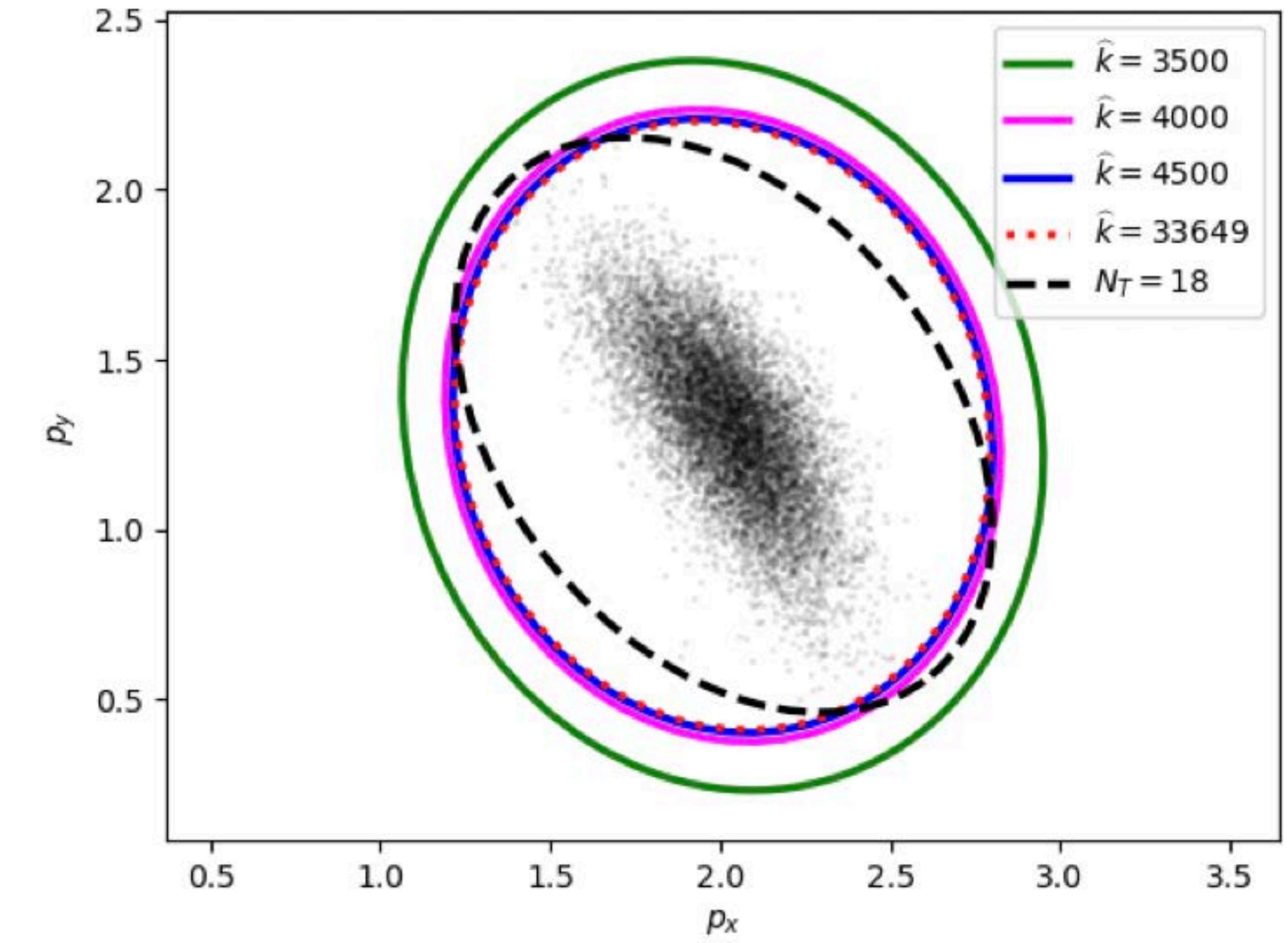
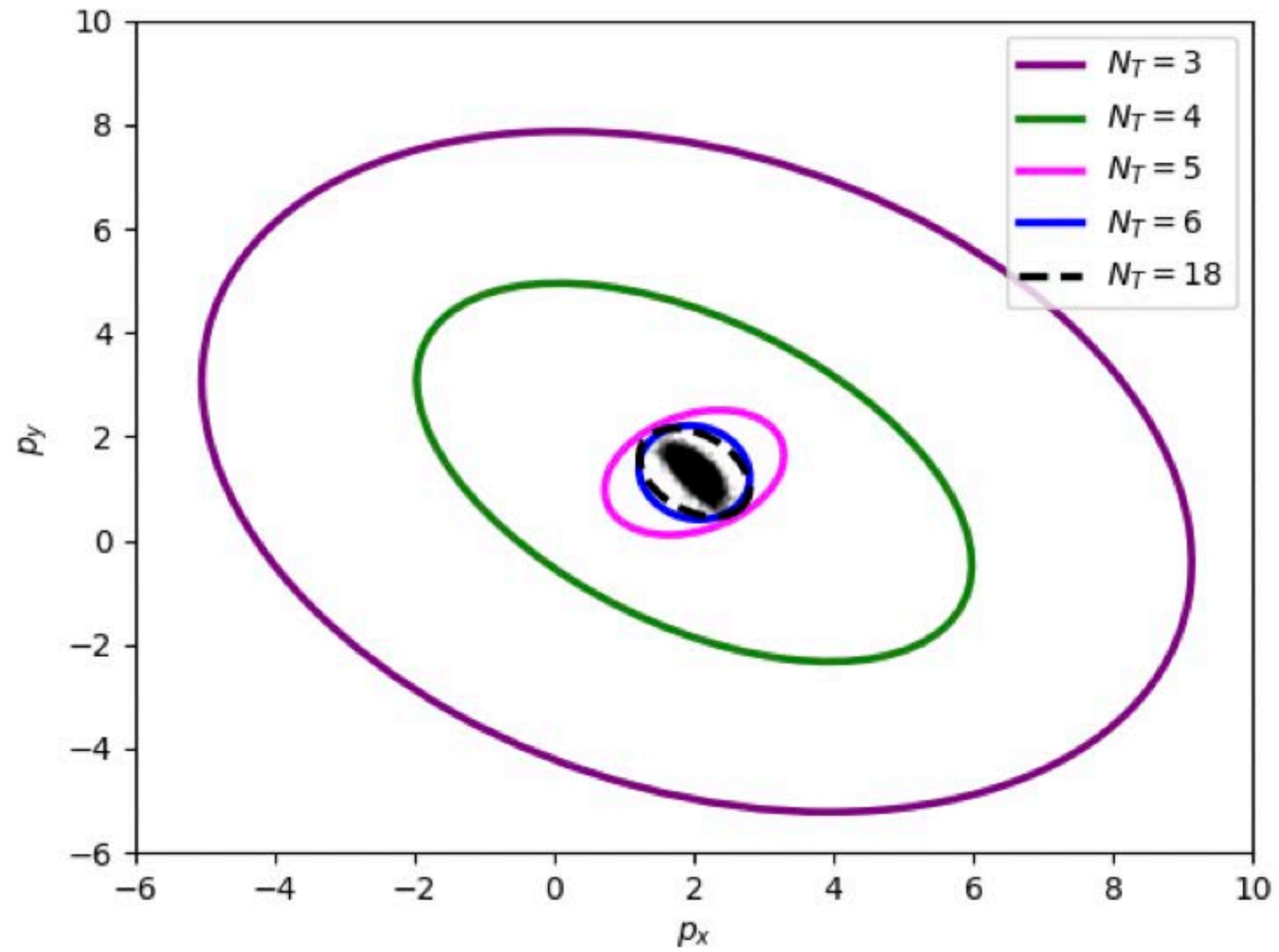
$$\{x \mid \|x - \tilde{x}_1(t)\|_Q \leq \alpha + \epsilon_Q\}$$

With probability at least $1 - p$.

Experiment results

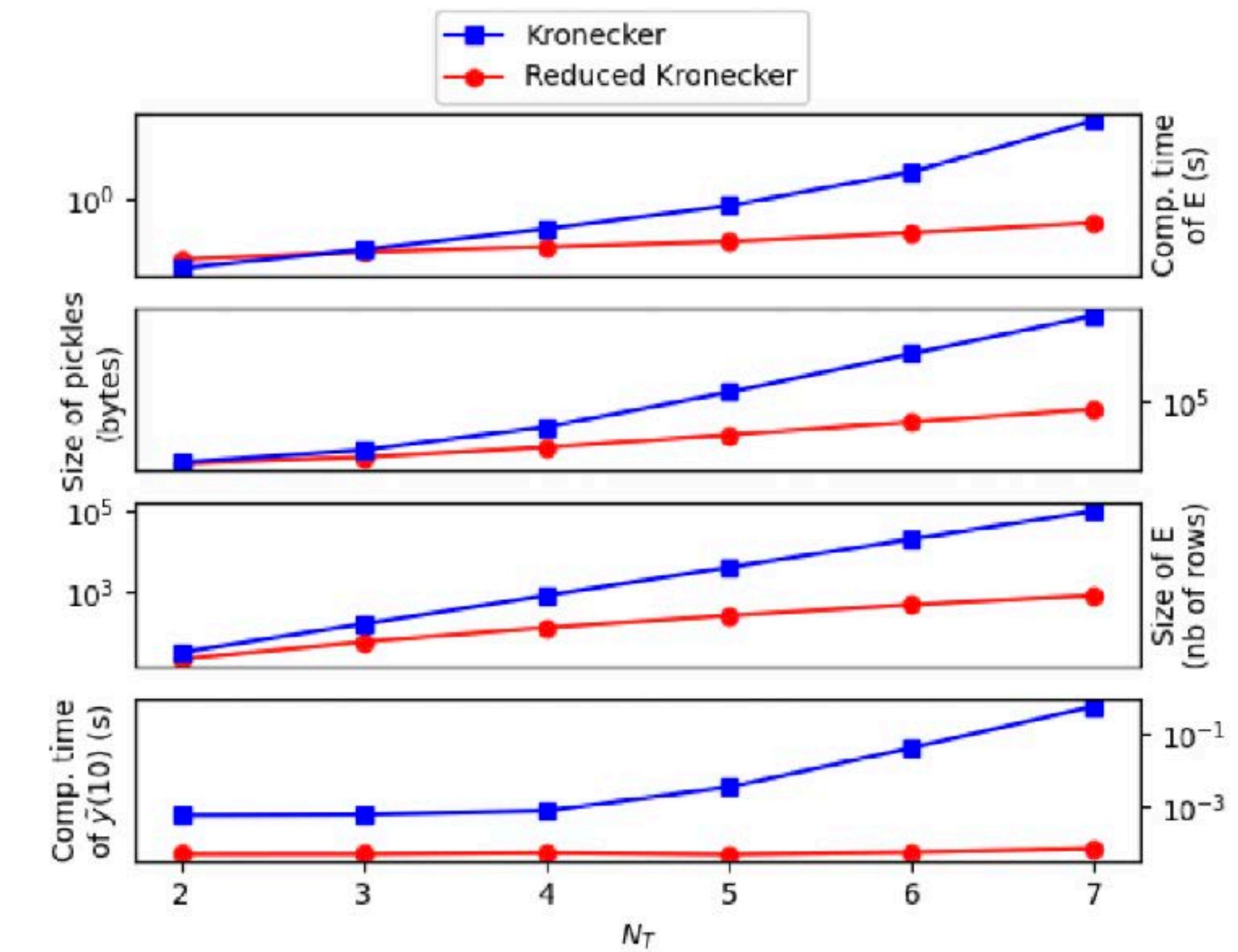


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Optimisations

- Bottleneck: offline computation is slow and too much memory consuming
 - Kronecker algebra is bad (a lot of duplications, slow libraries, ...)
- Optimisation 1: replace Kronecker algebra with something more optimised
 - Basically based on multivariate polynomials
- Optimisation 2: a lot of work can be parallelised

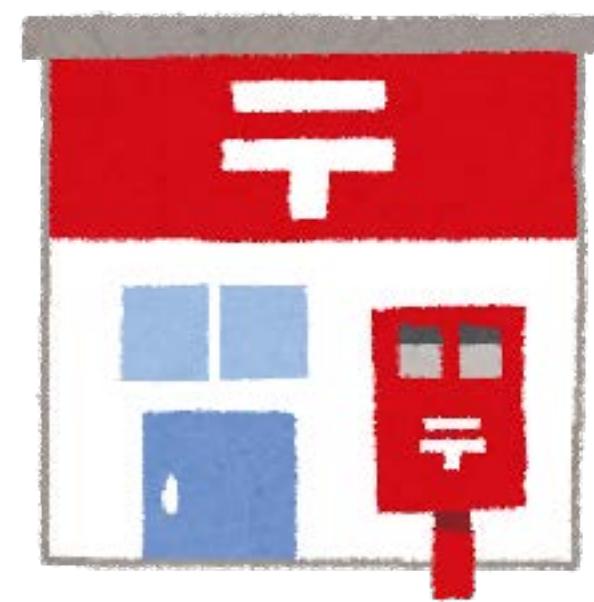
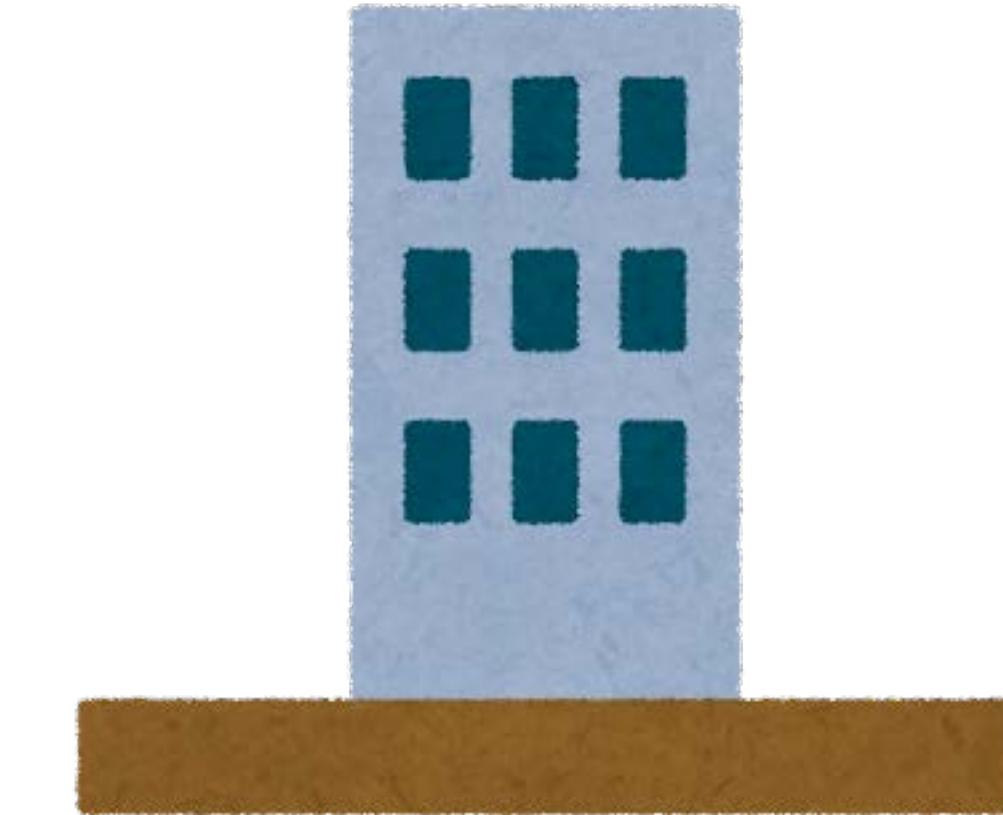
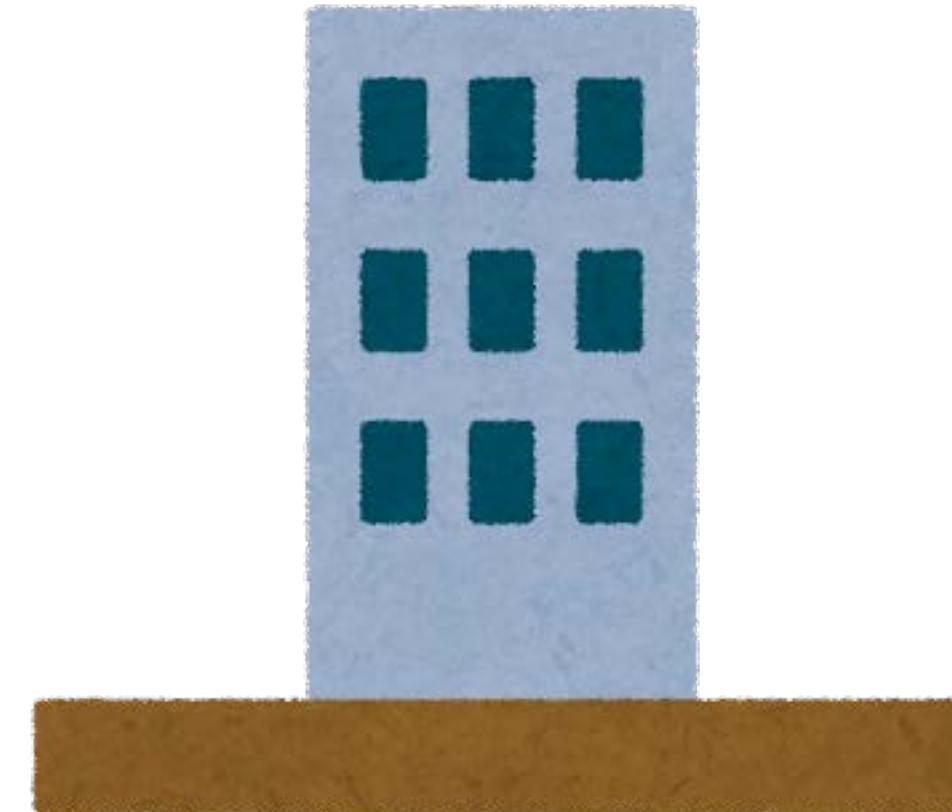
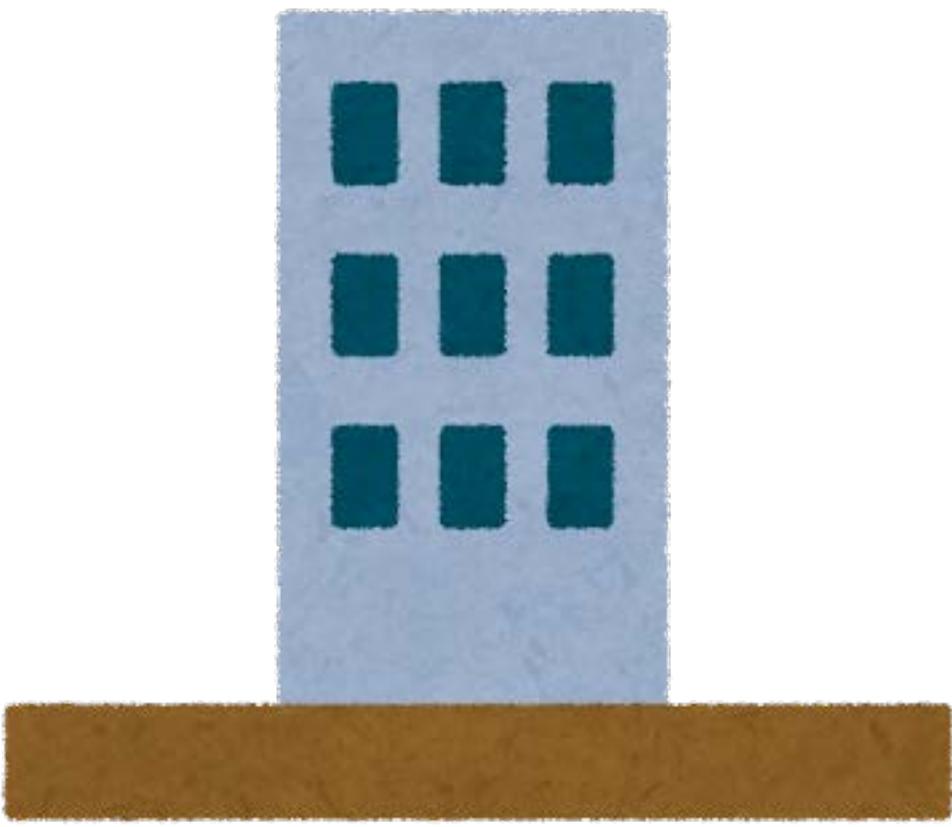
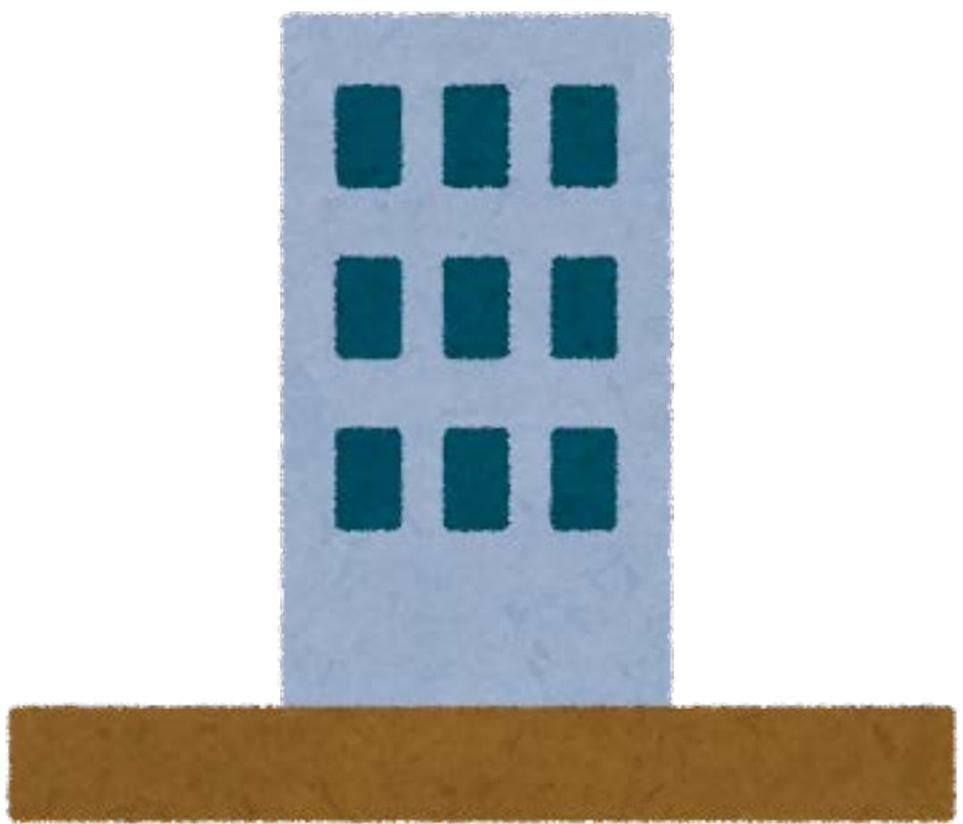


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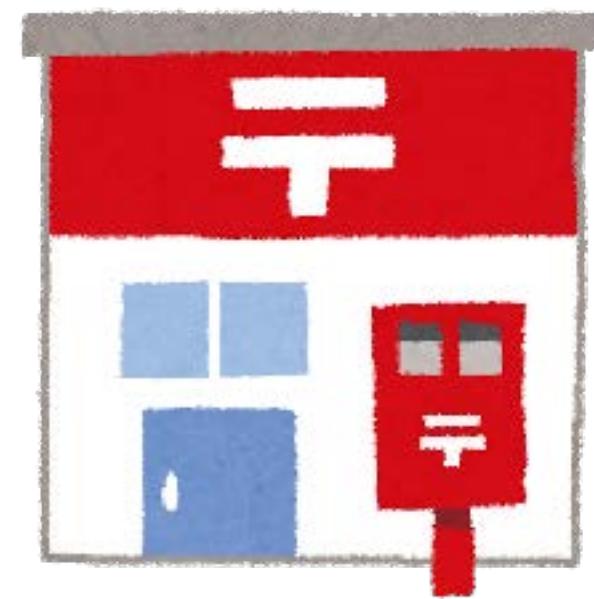
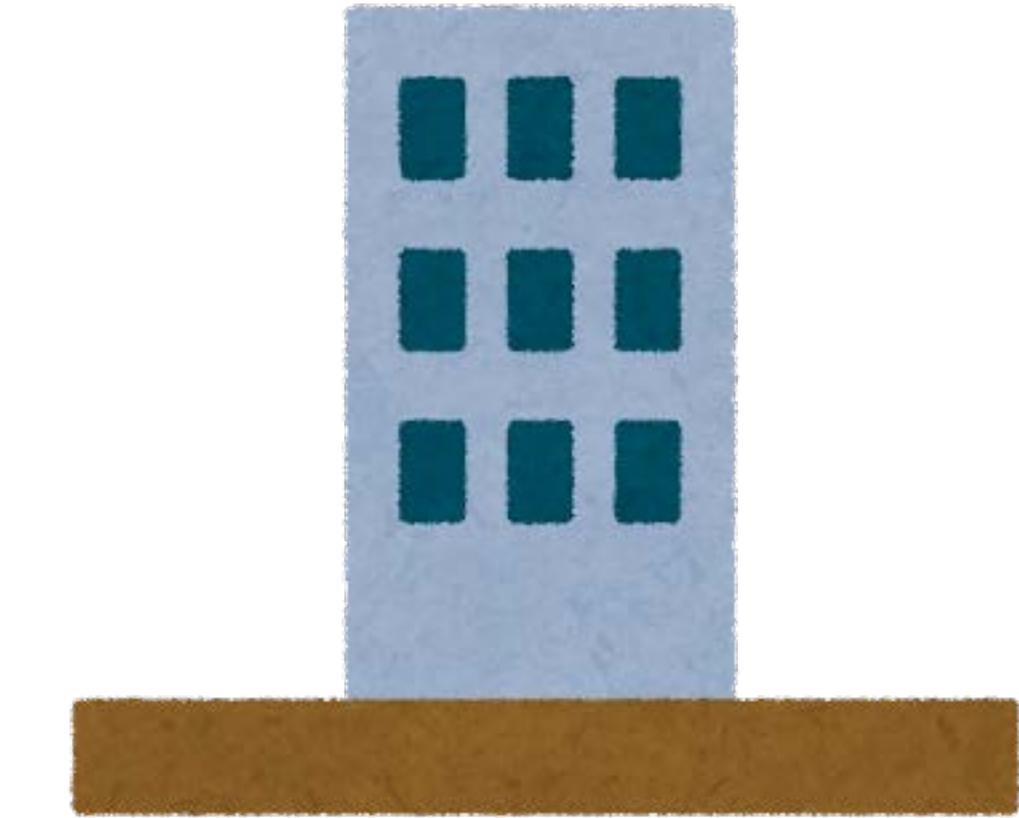
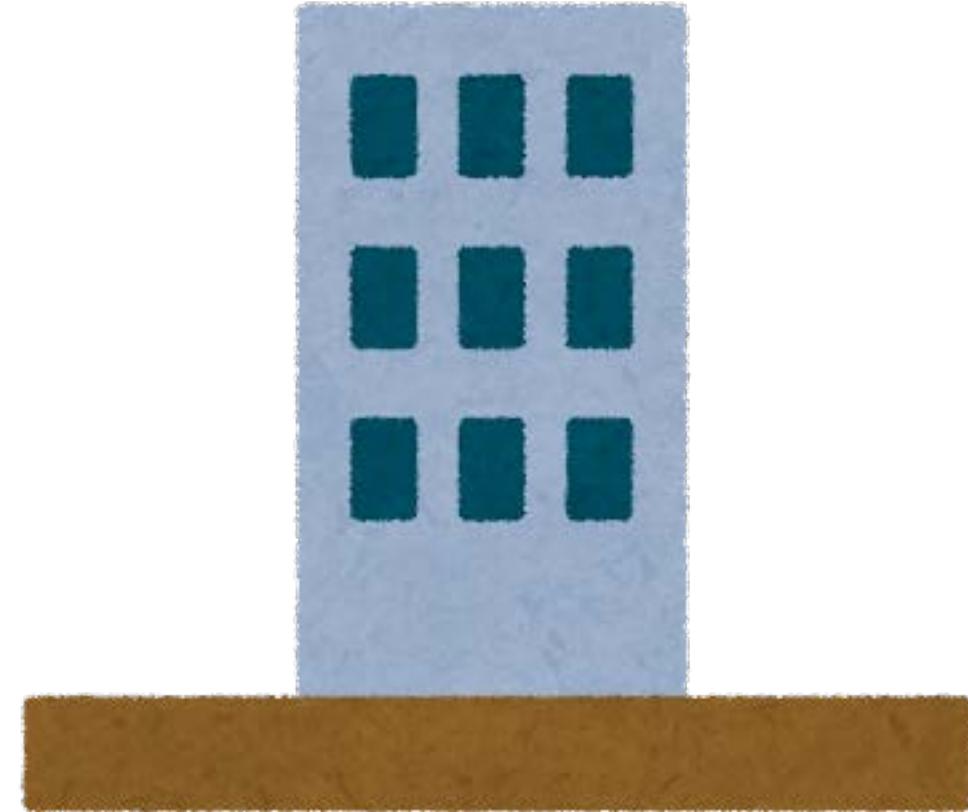
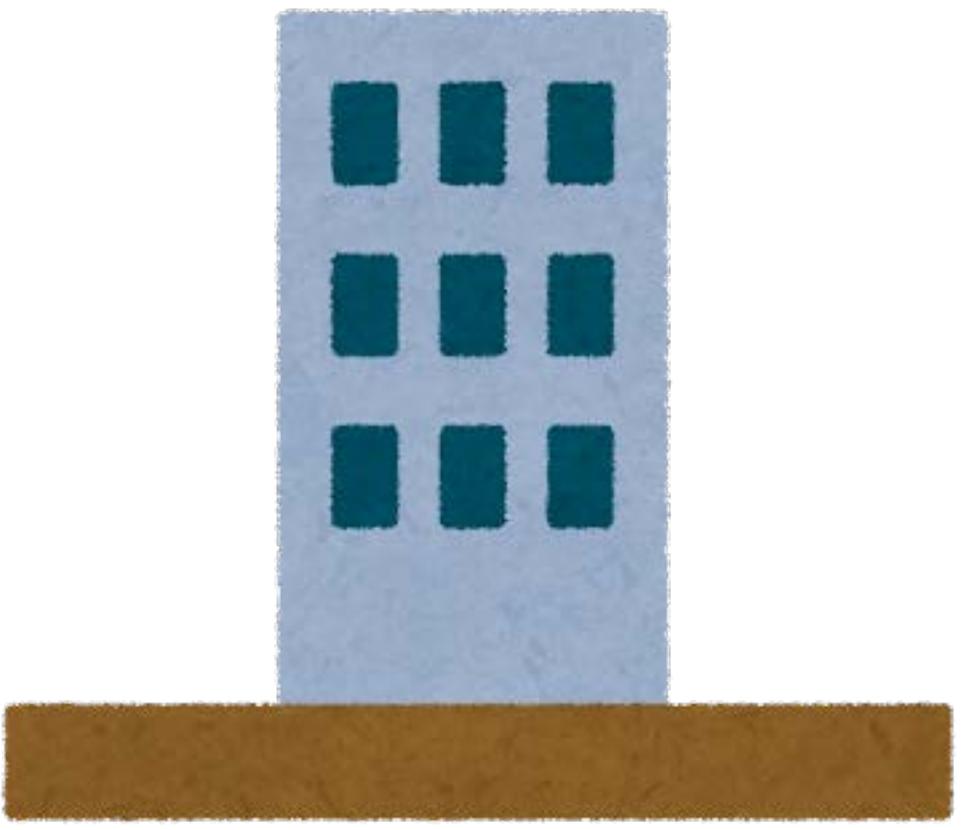
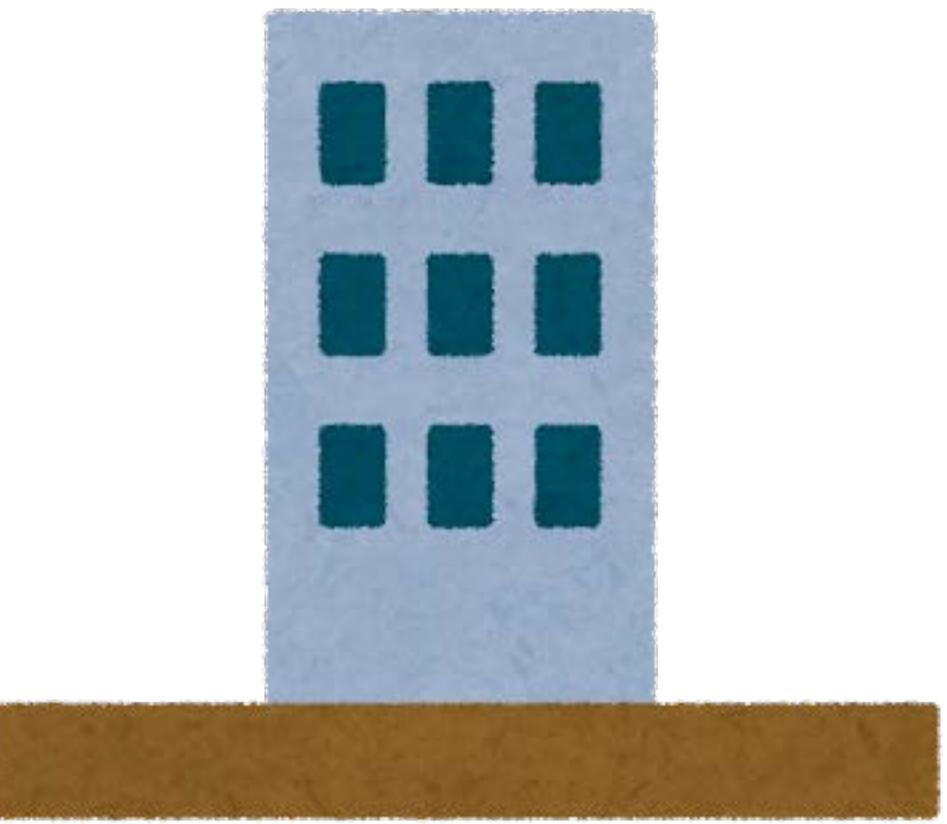
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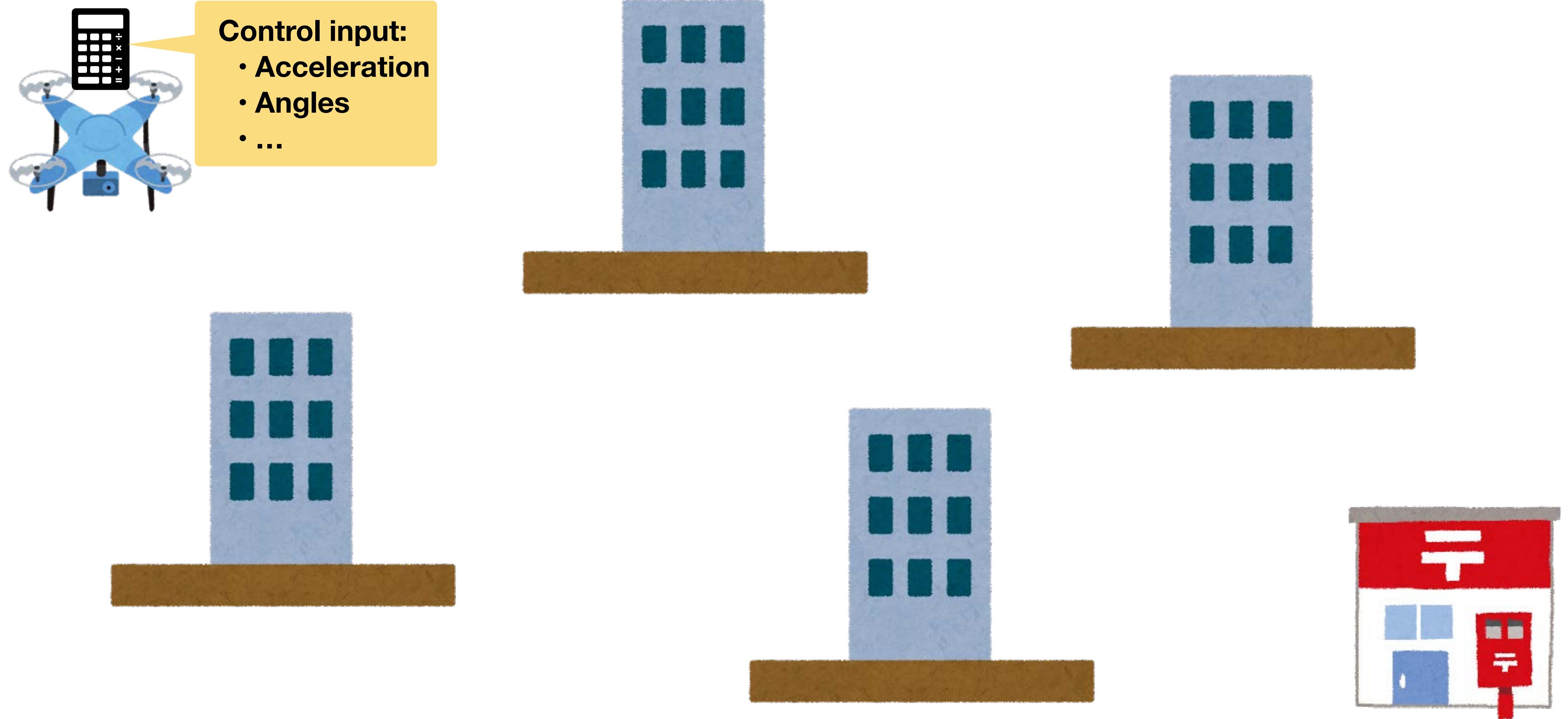
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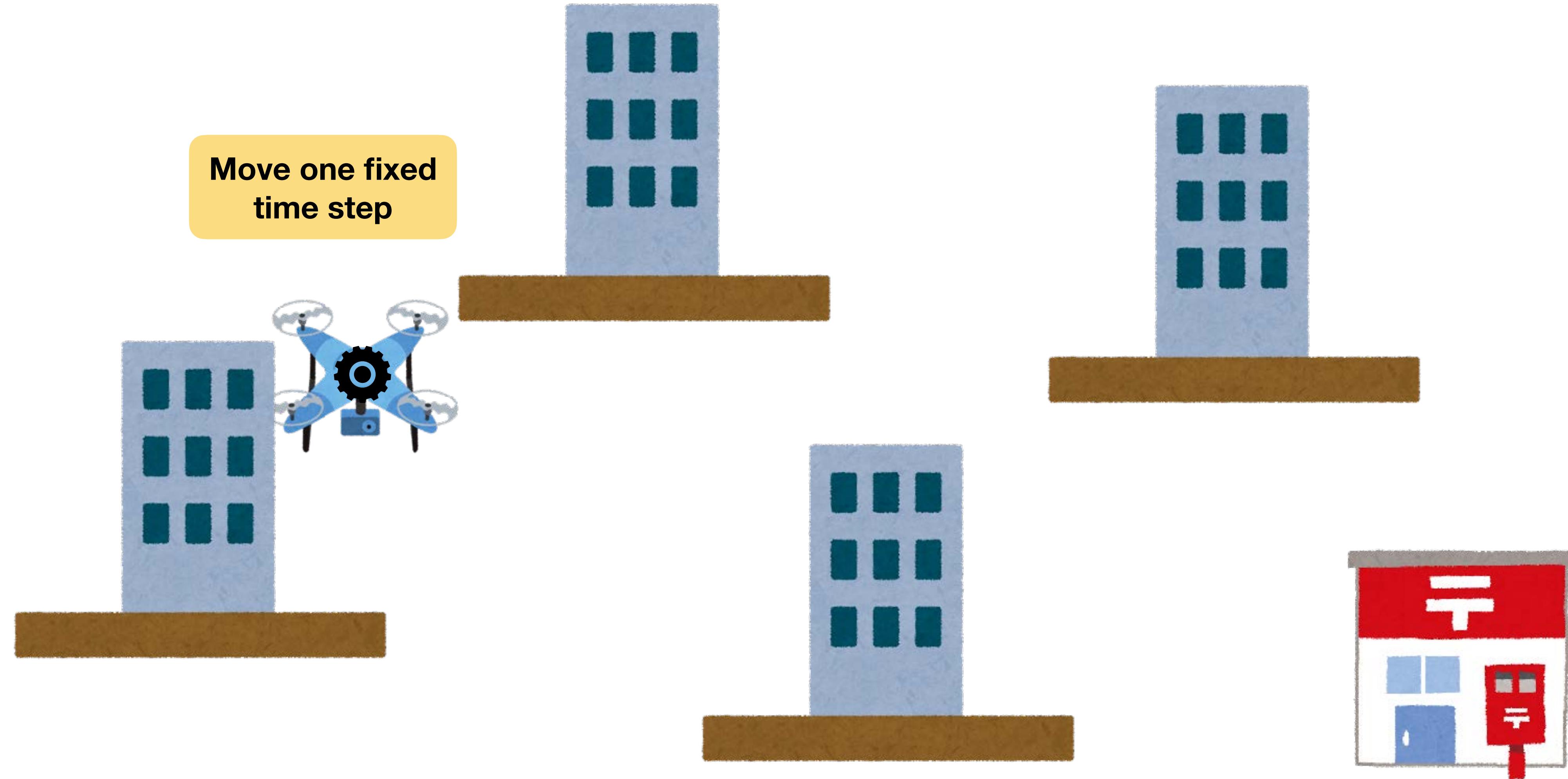
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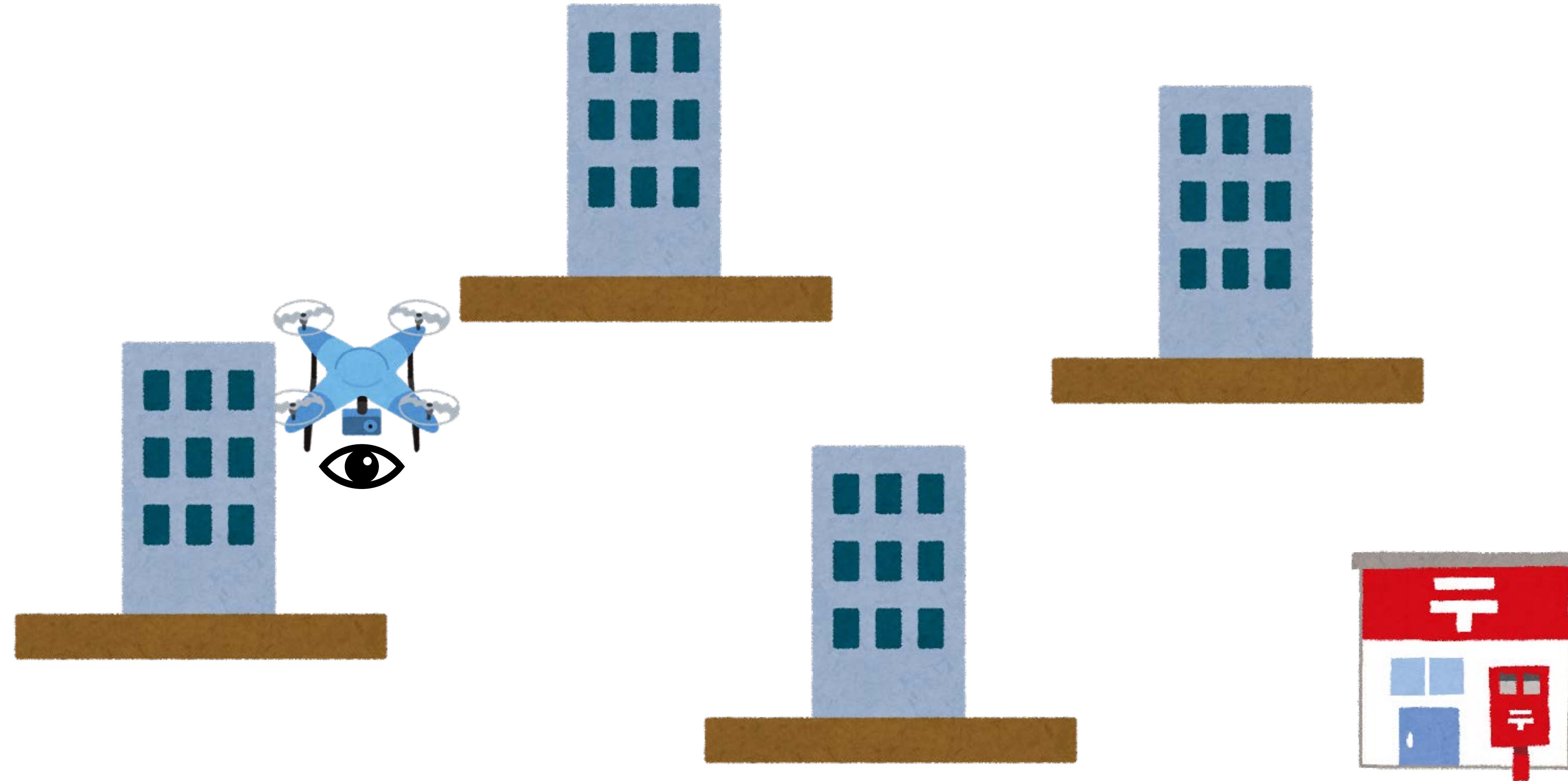
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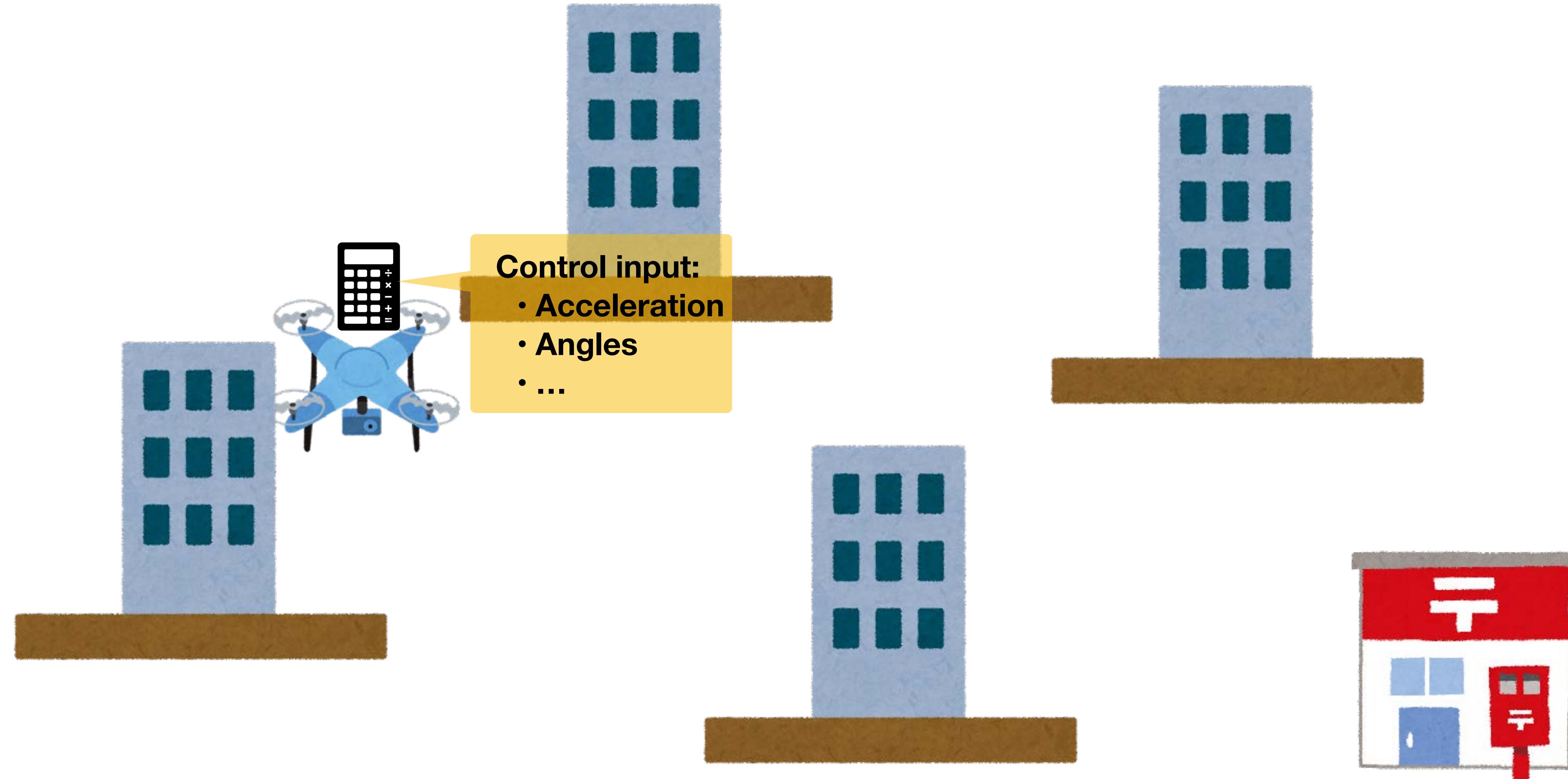
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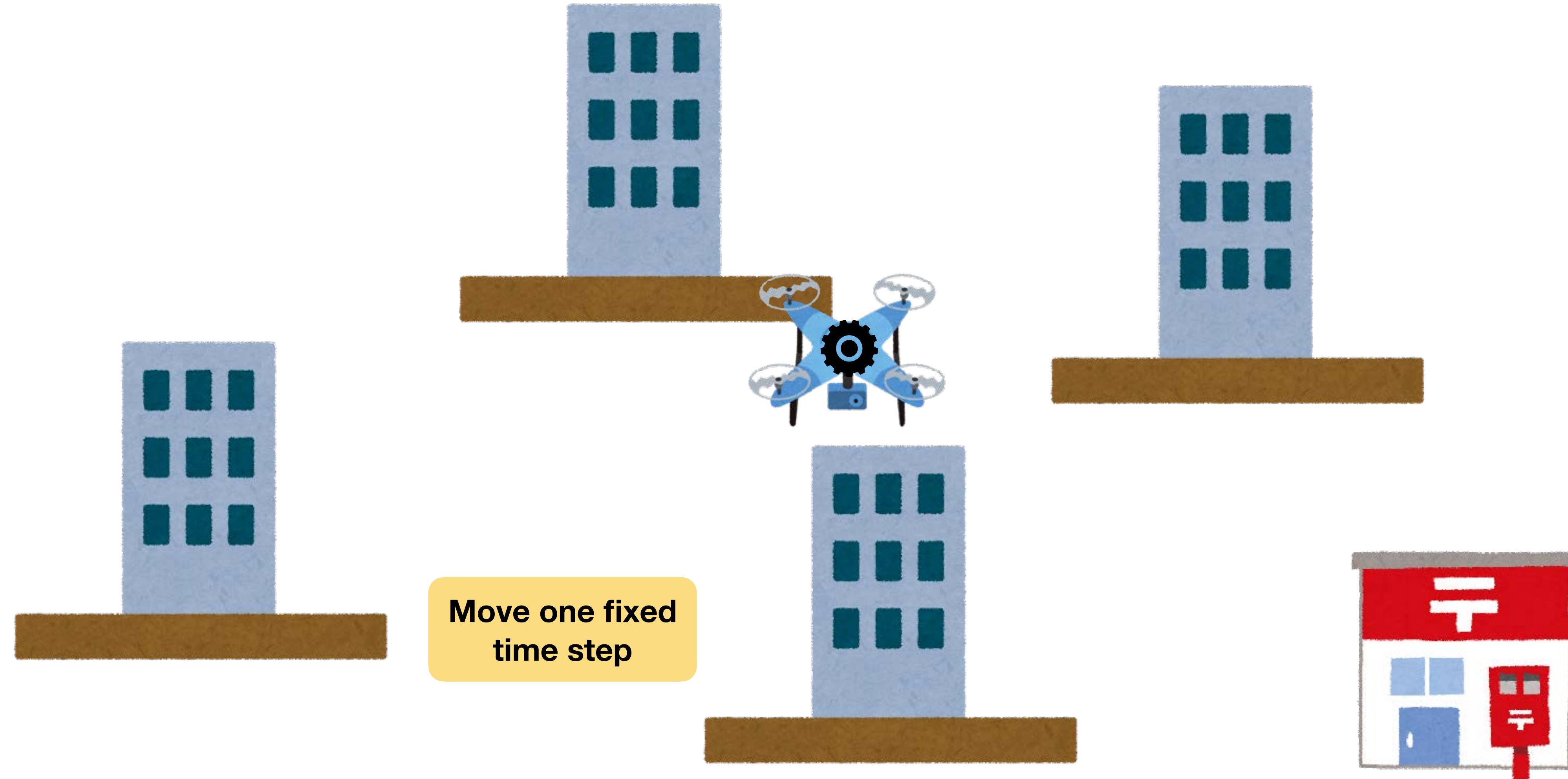
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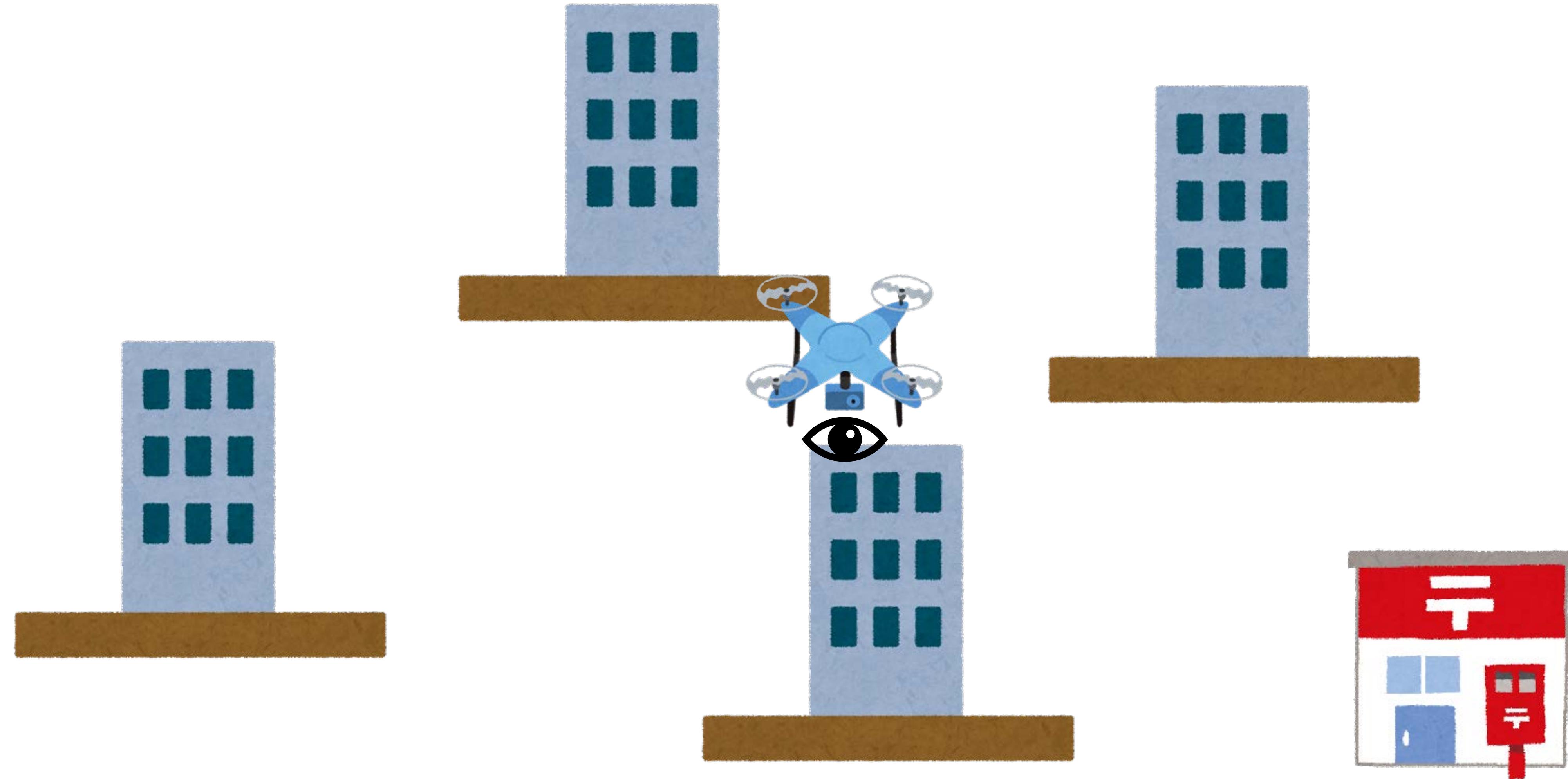
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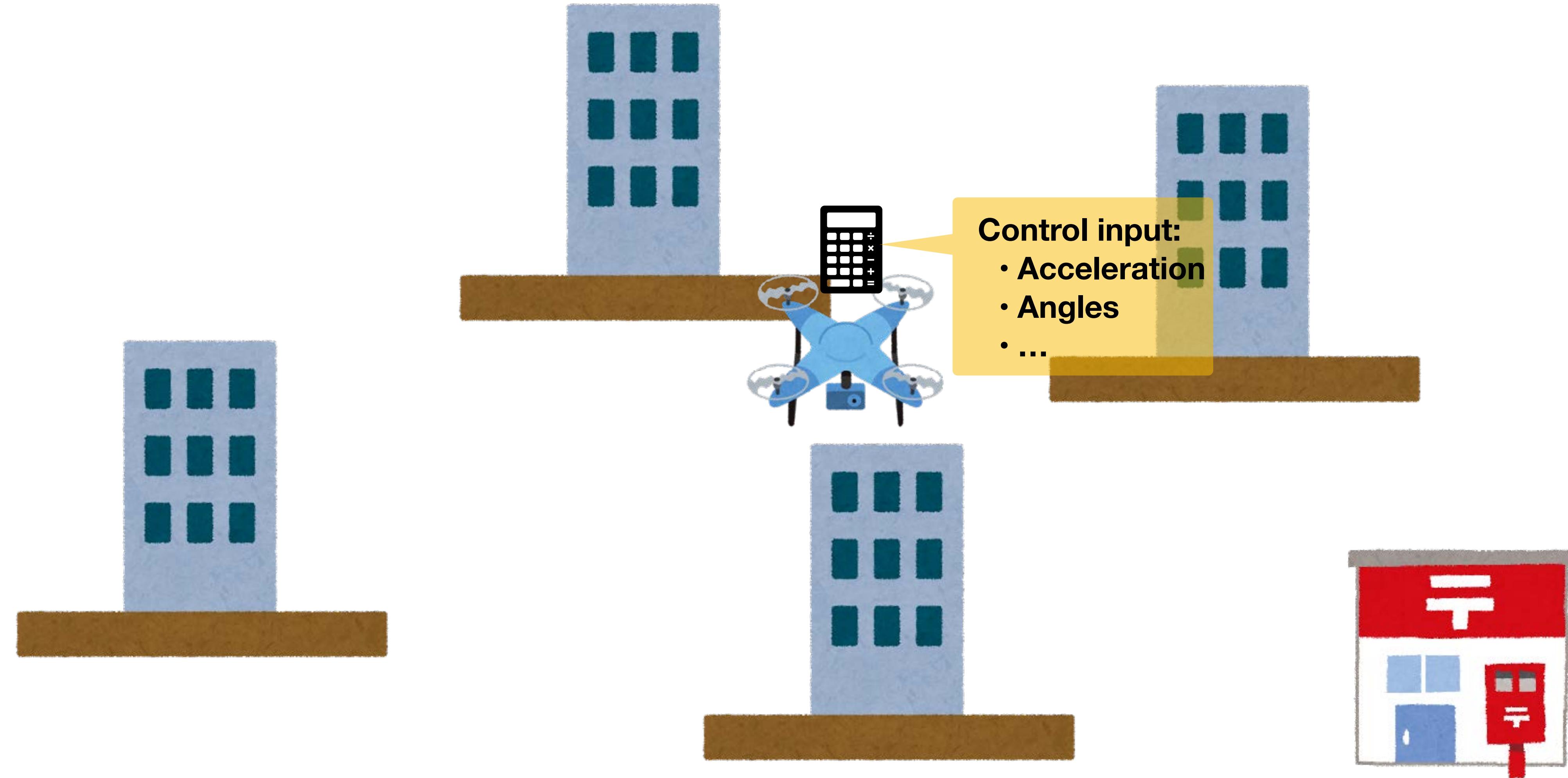
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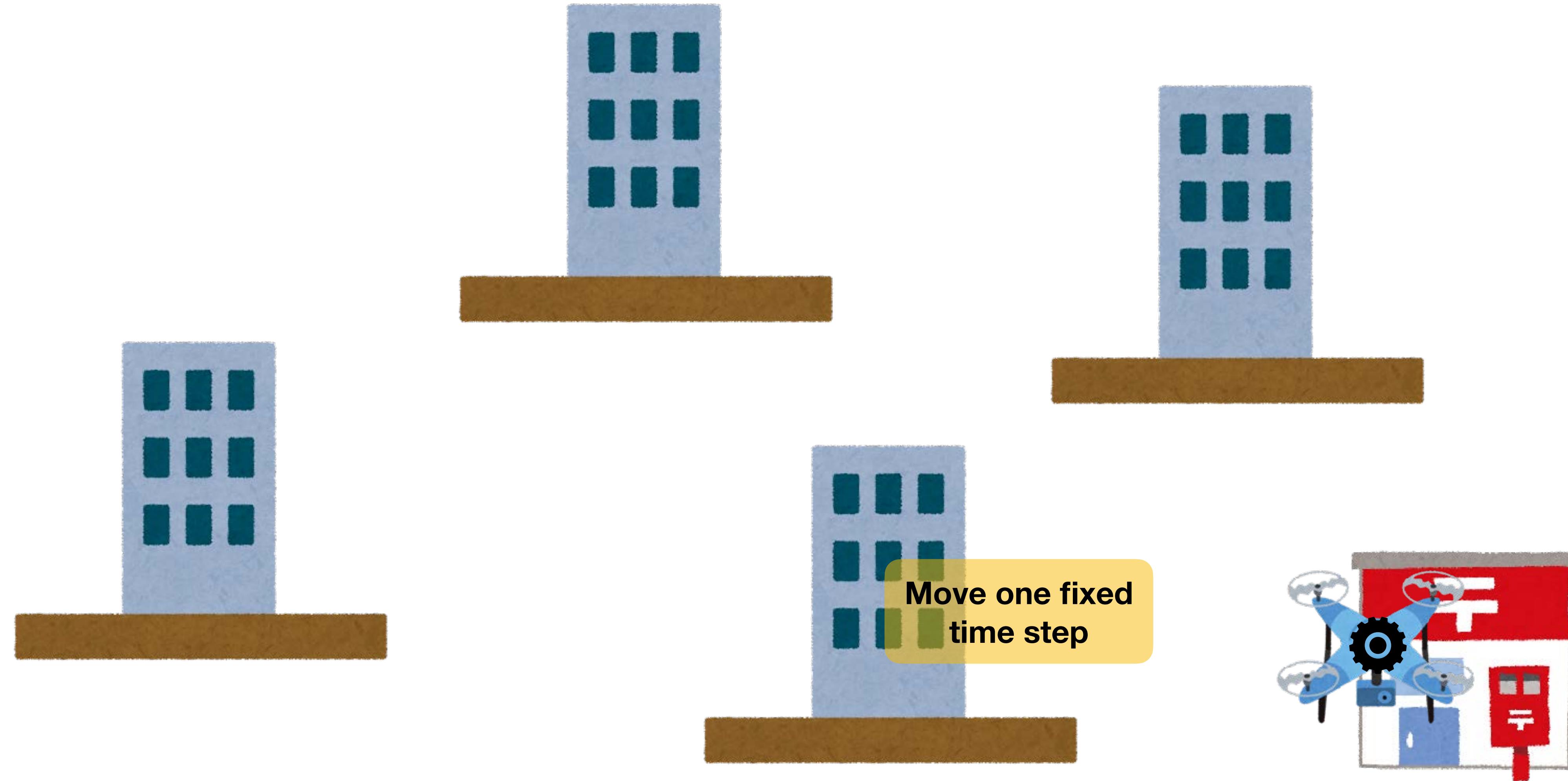
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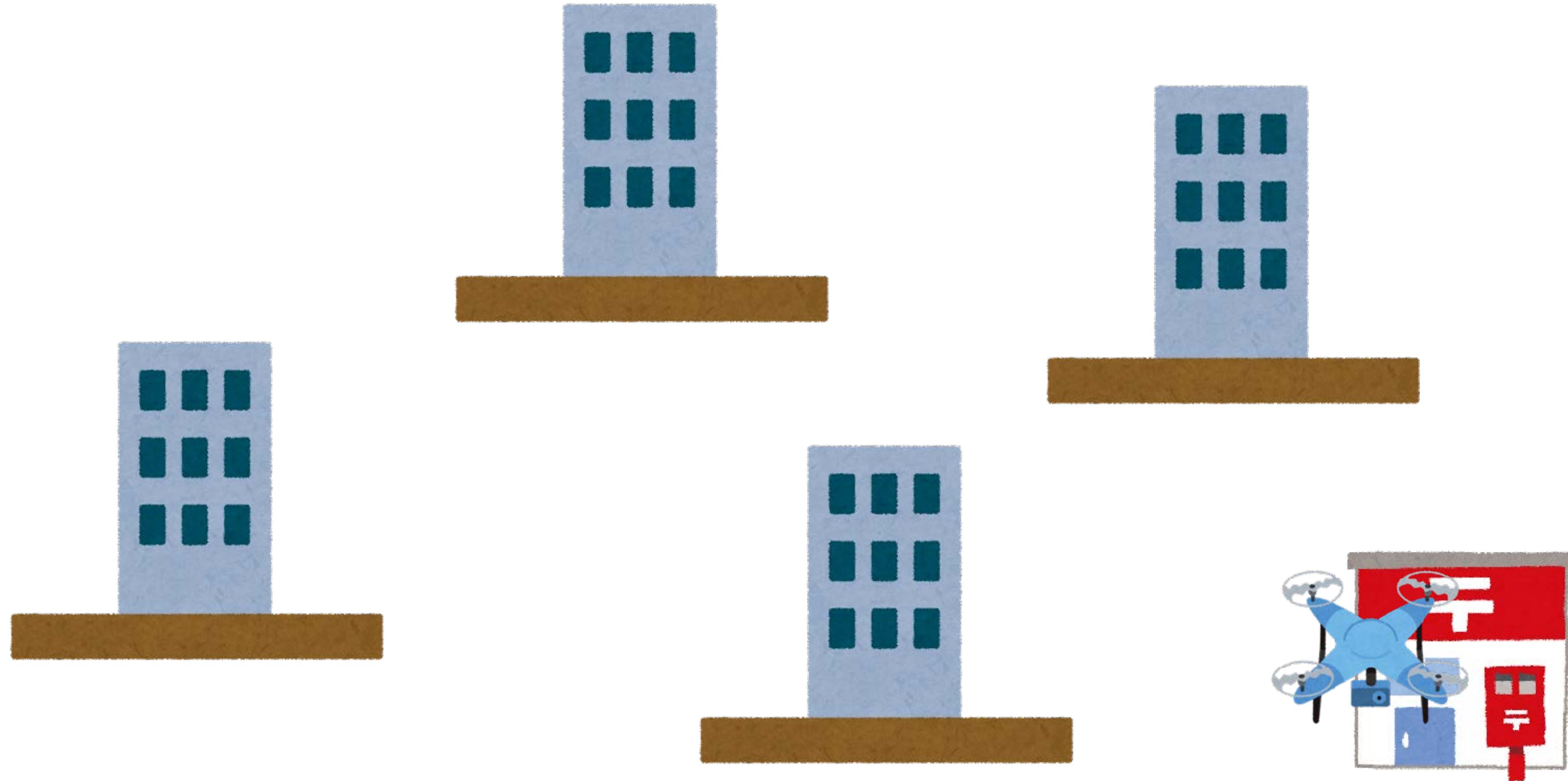
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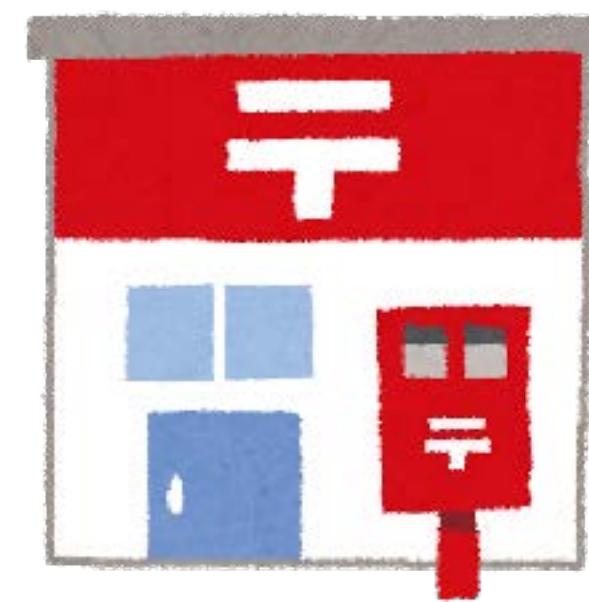
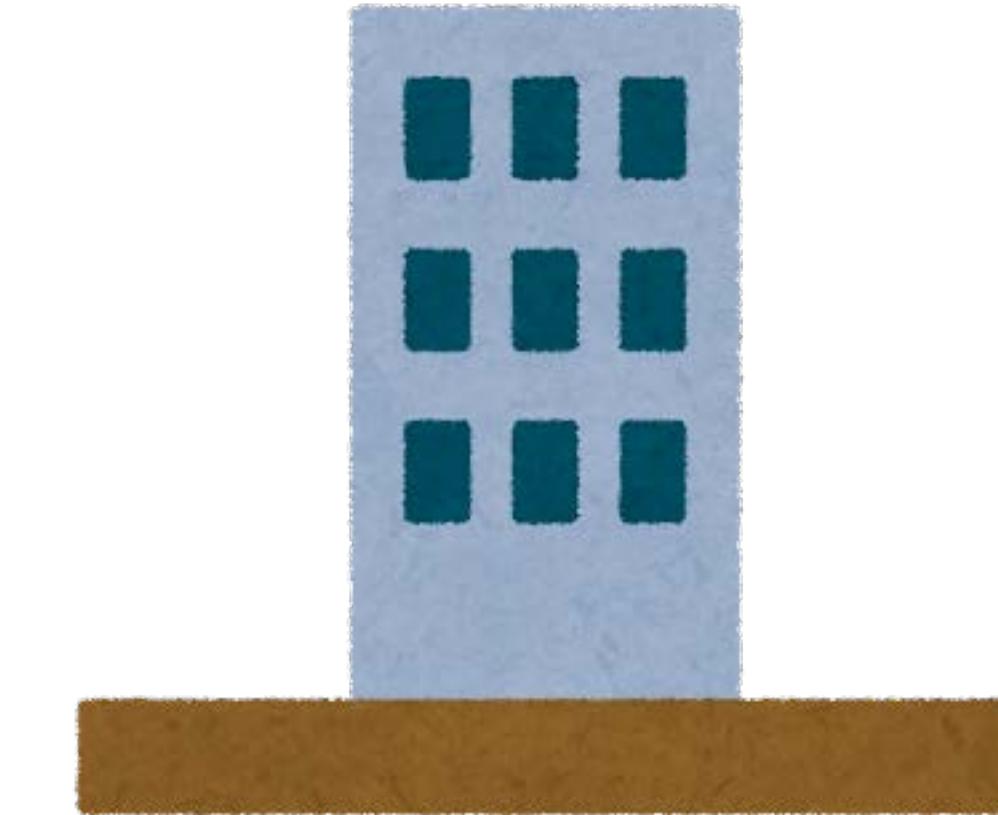
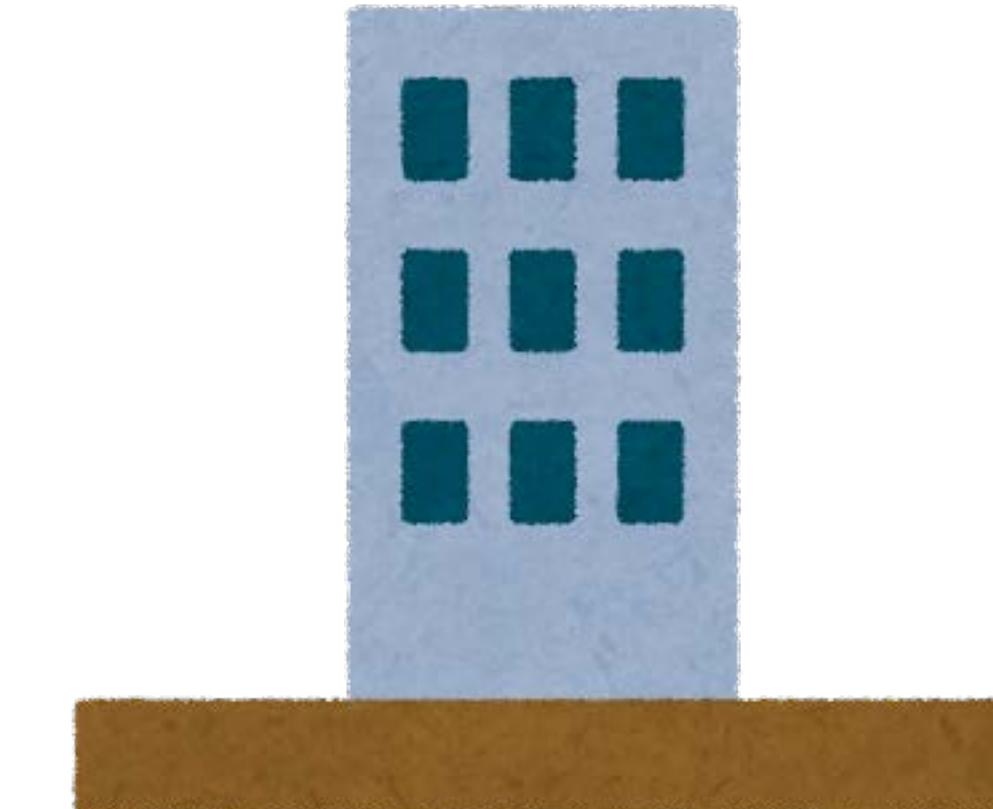
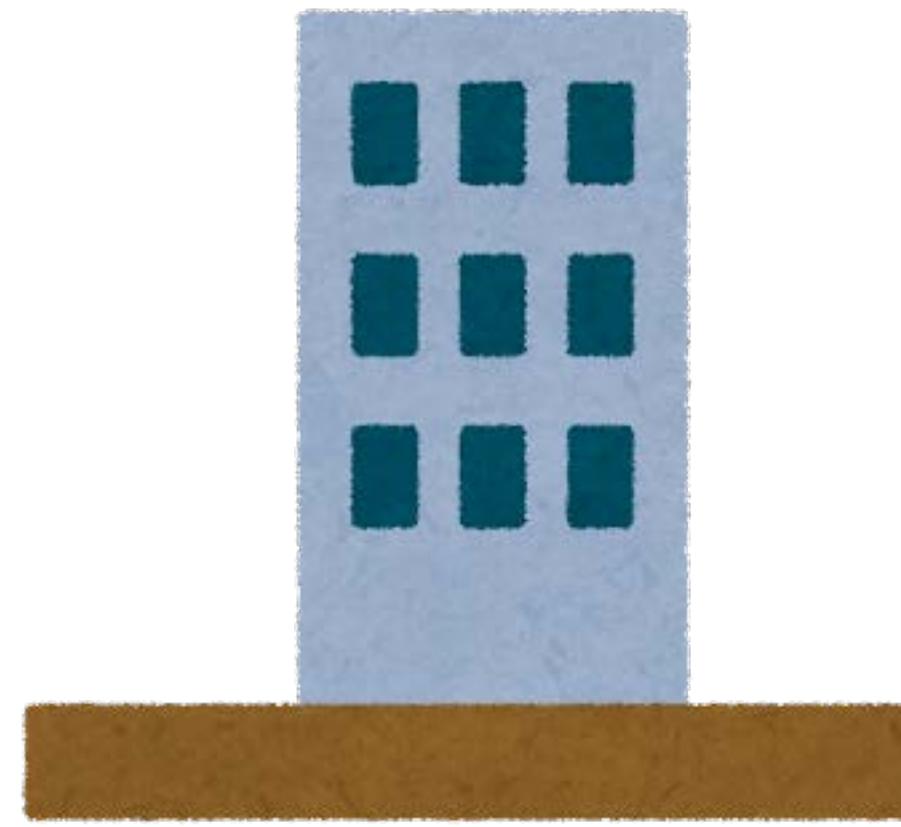
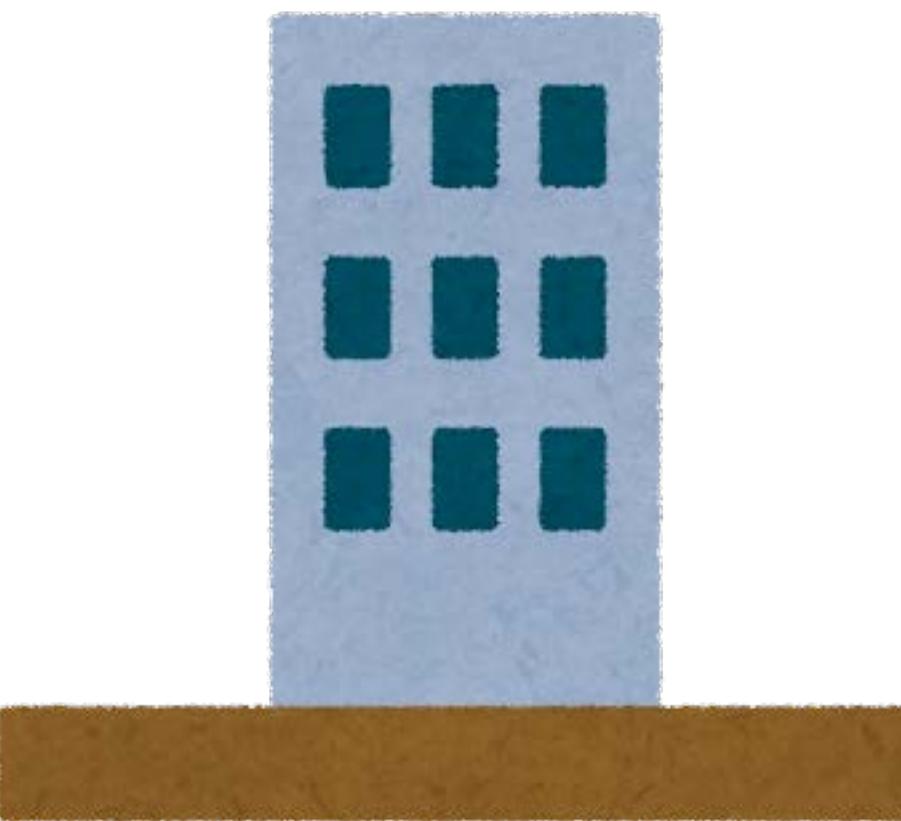
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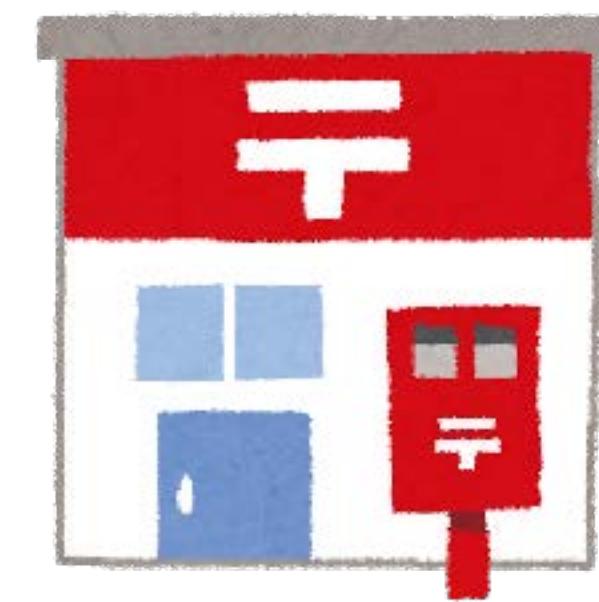
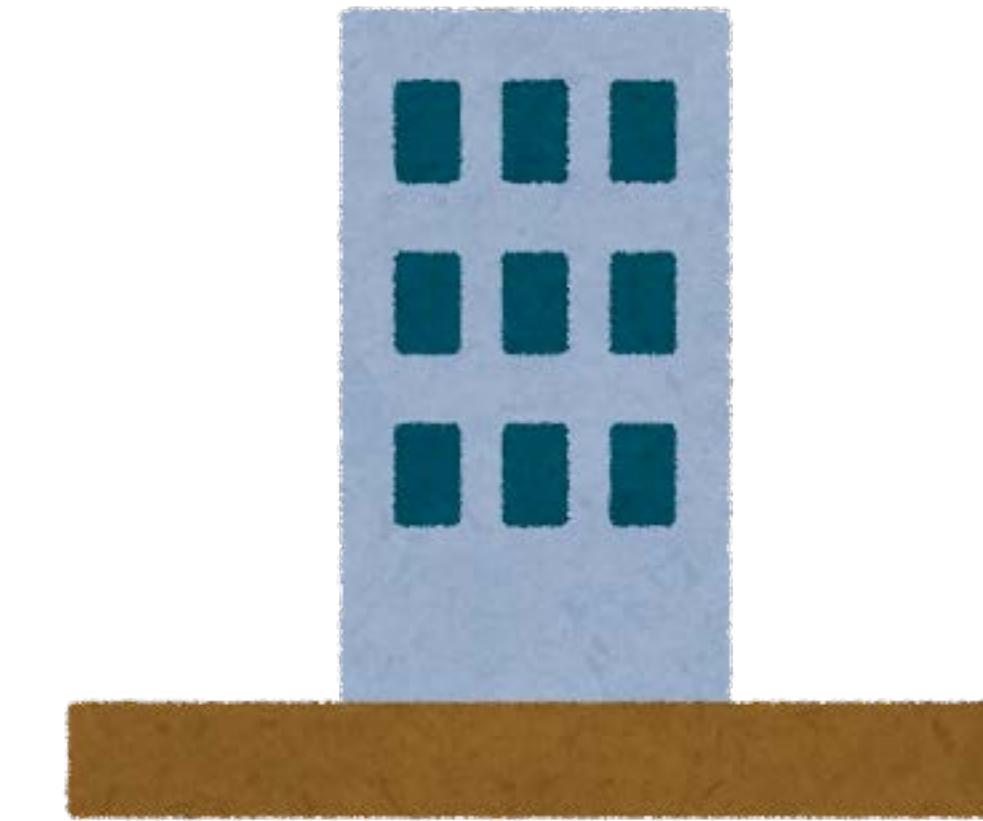
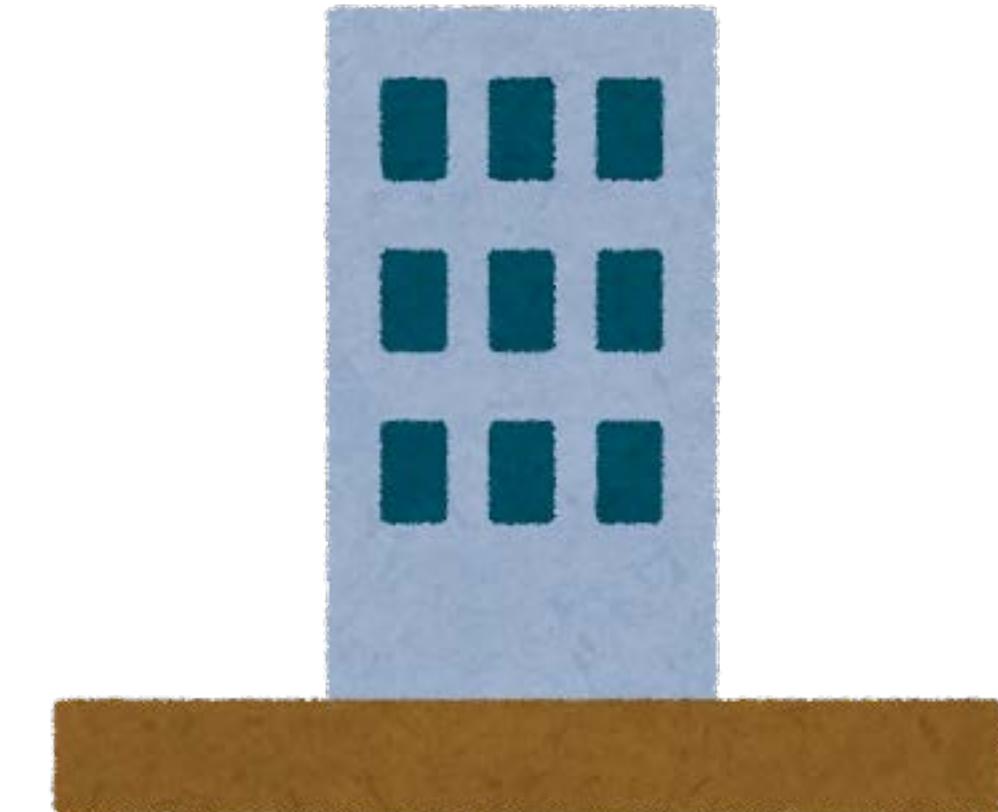
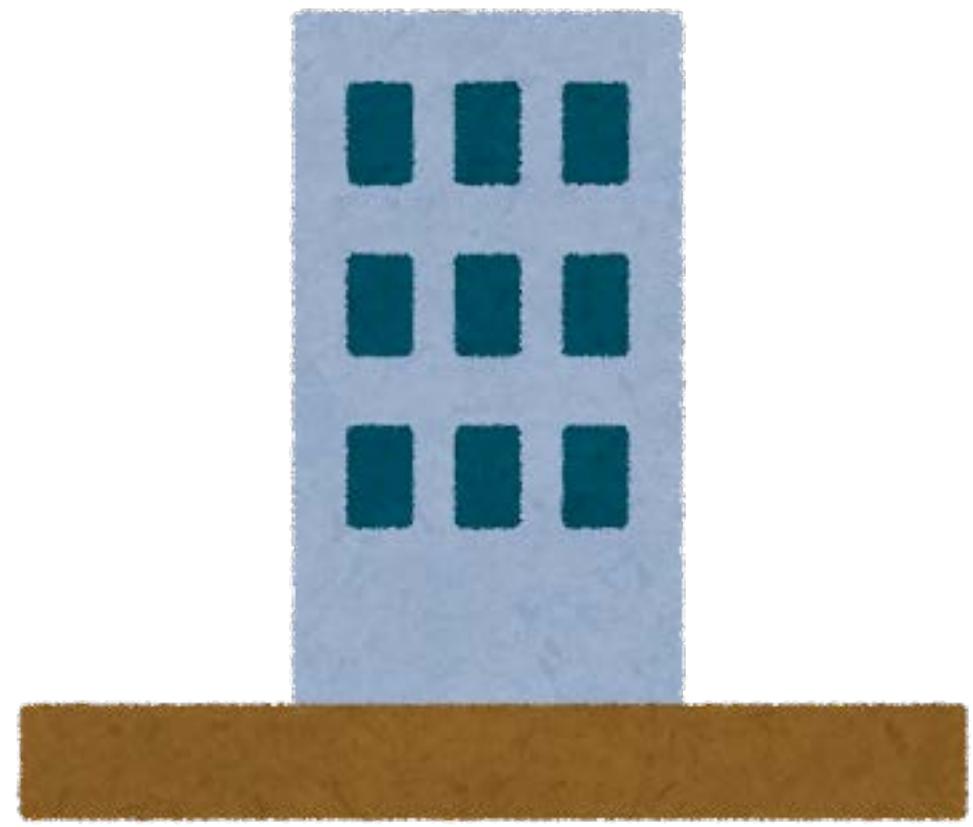
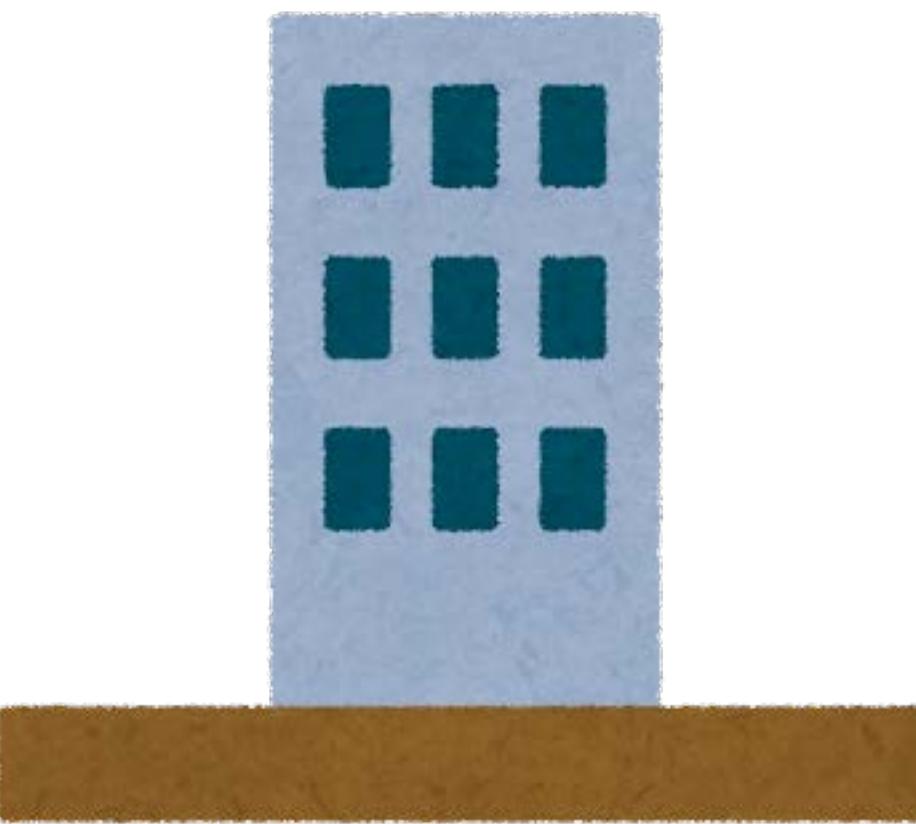
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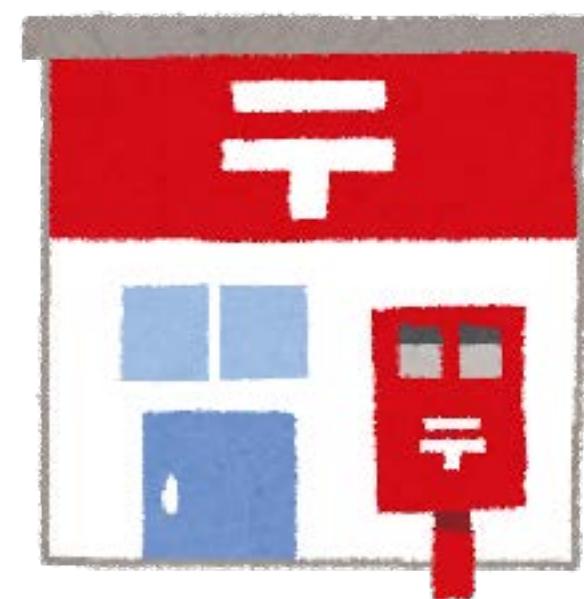
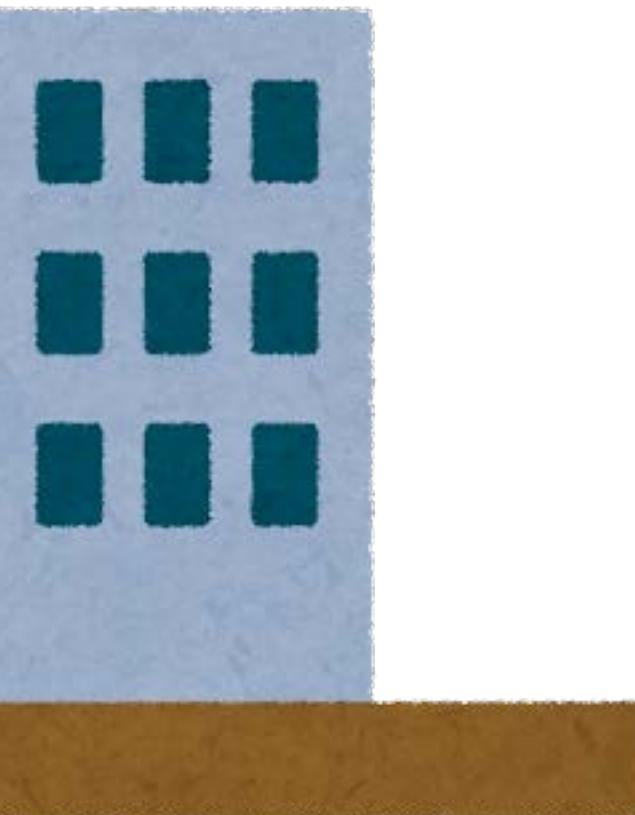
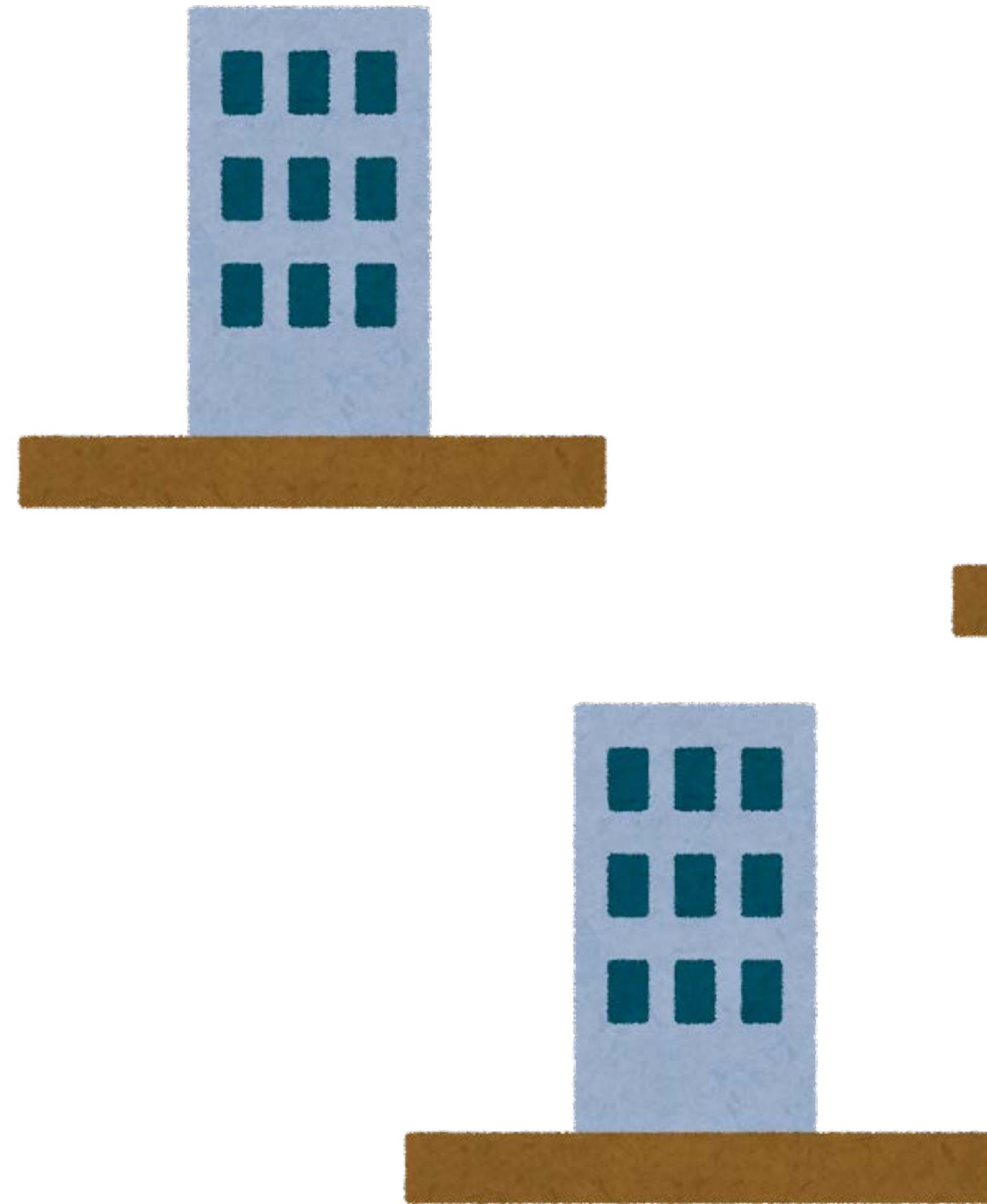
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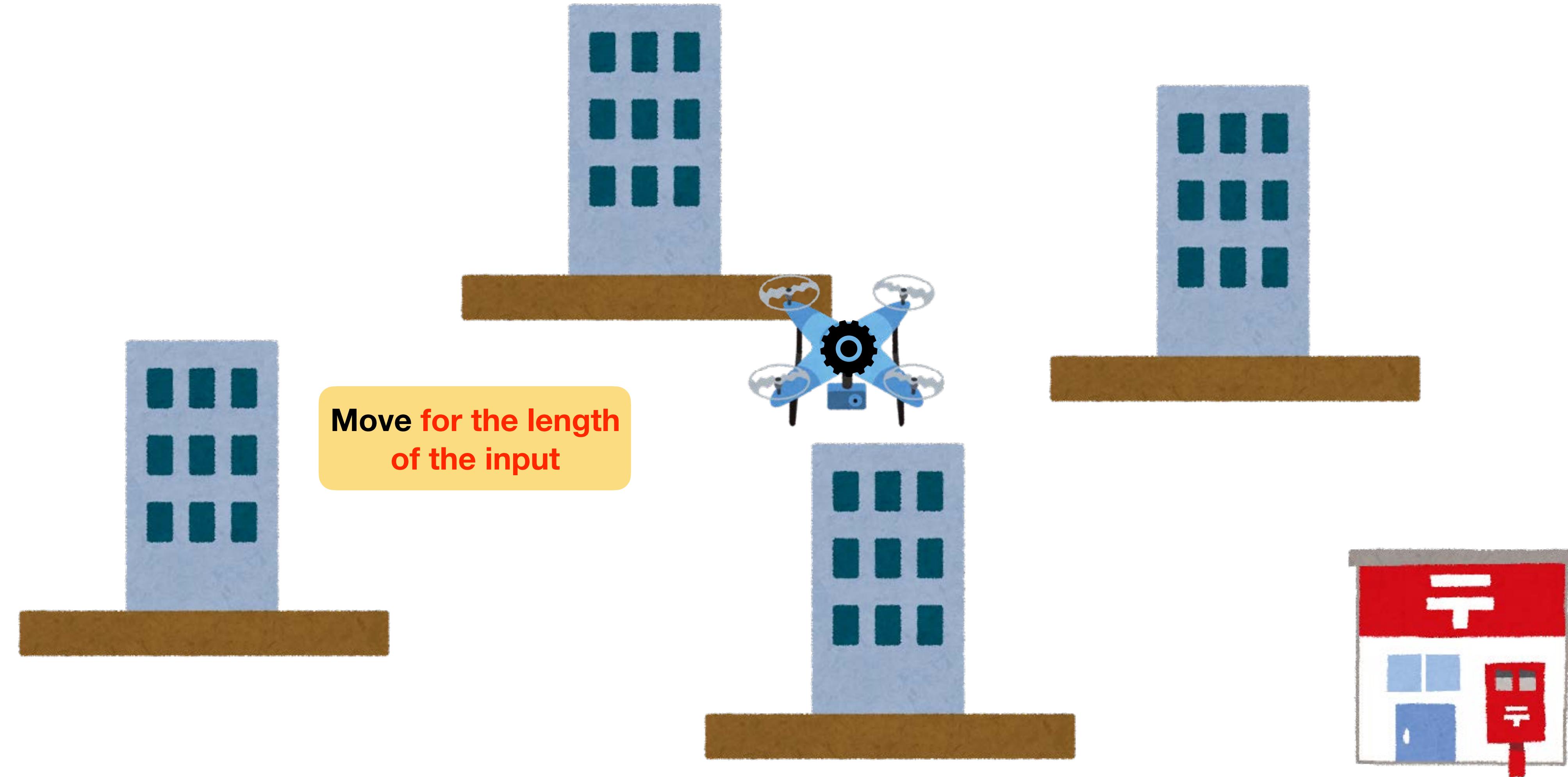
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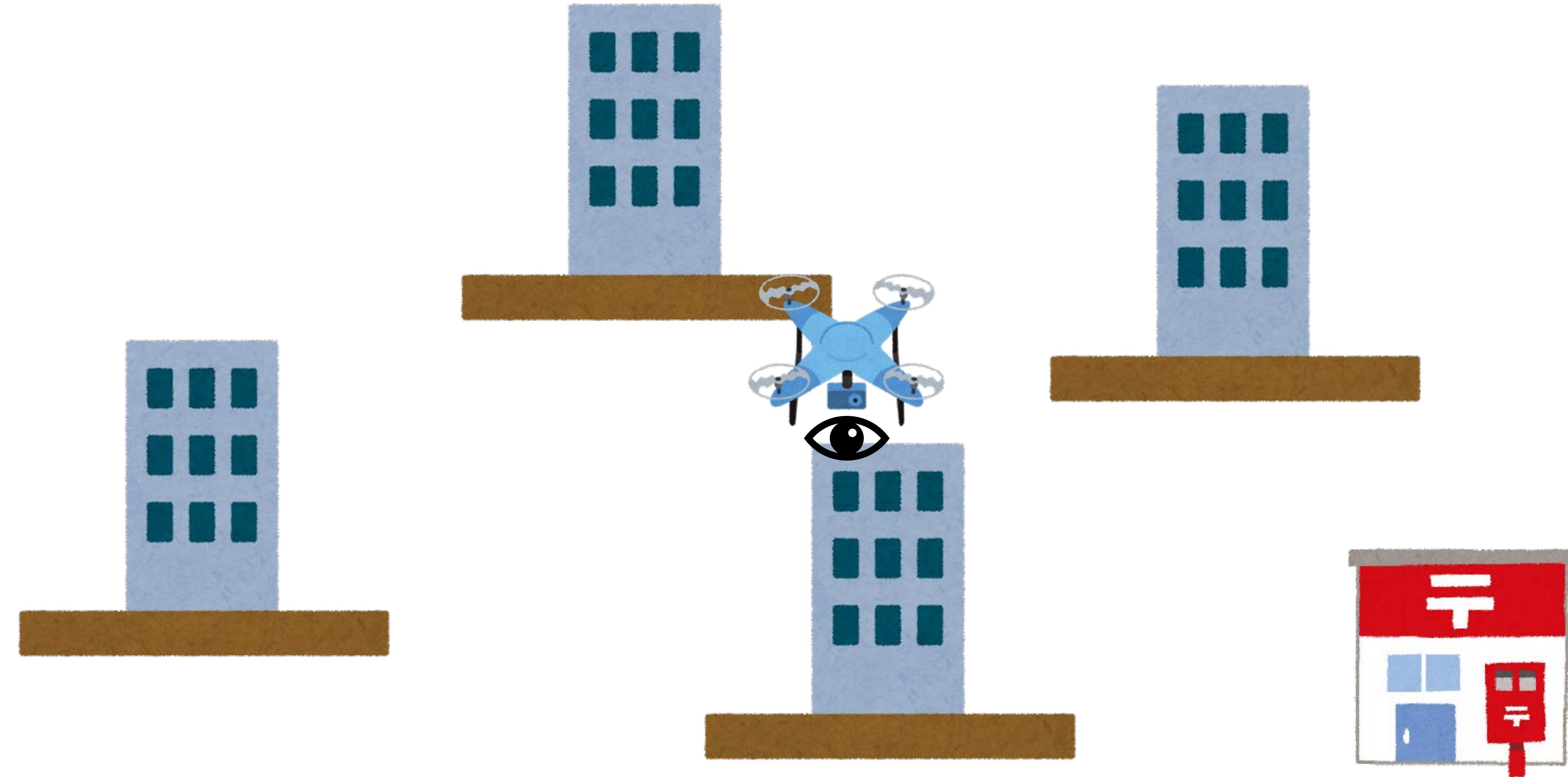
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• Acceleration
• Angles
• **Length of the control input**



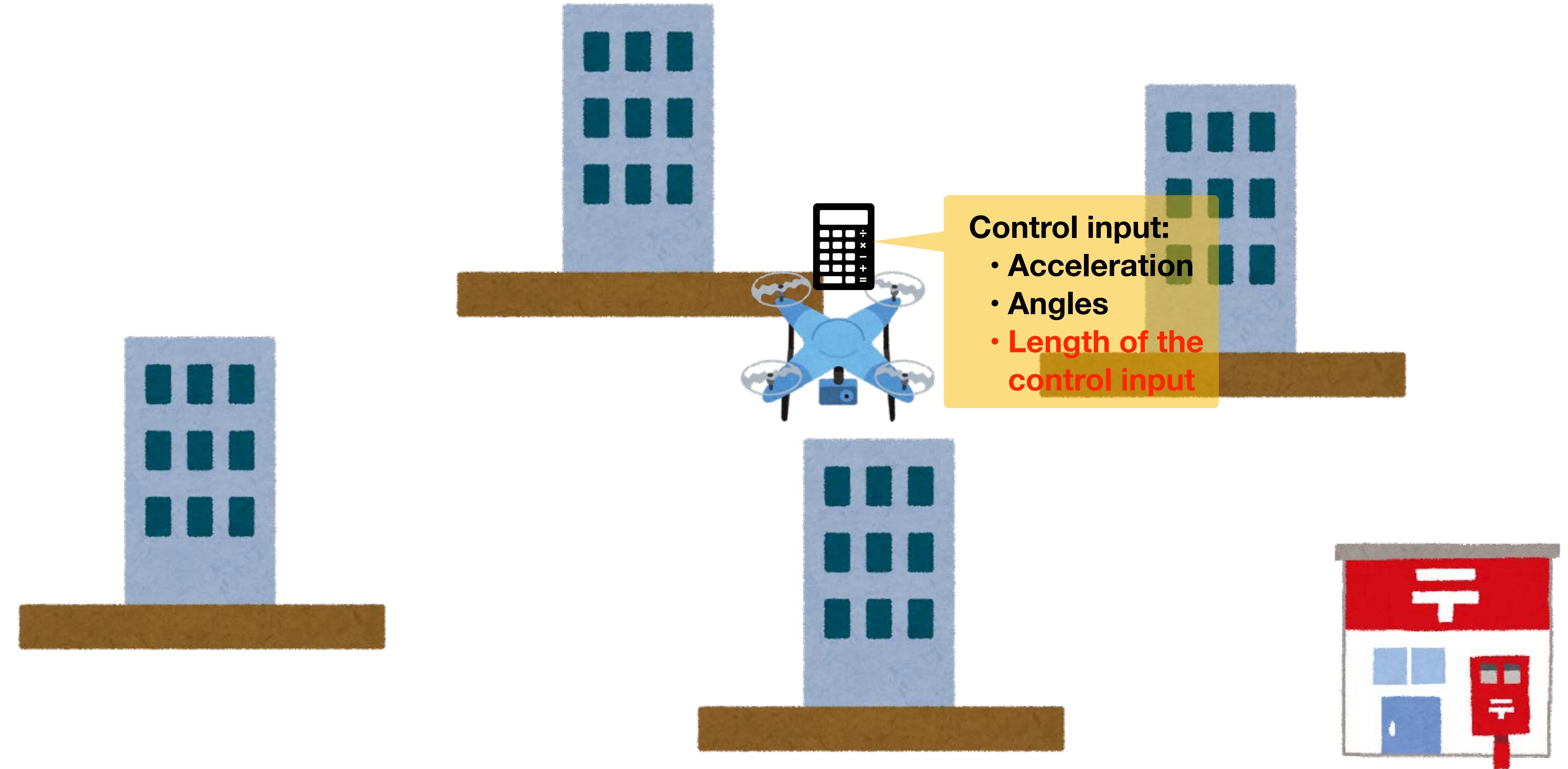
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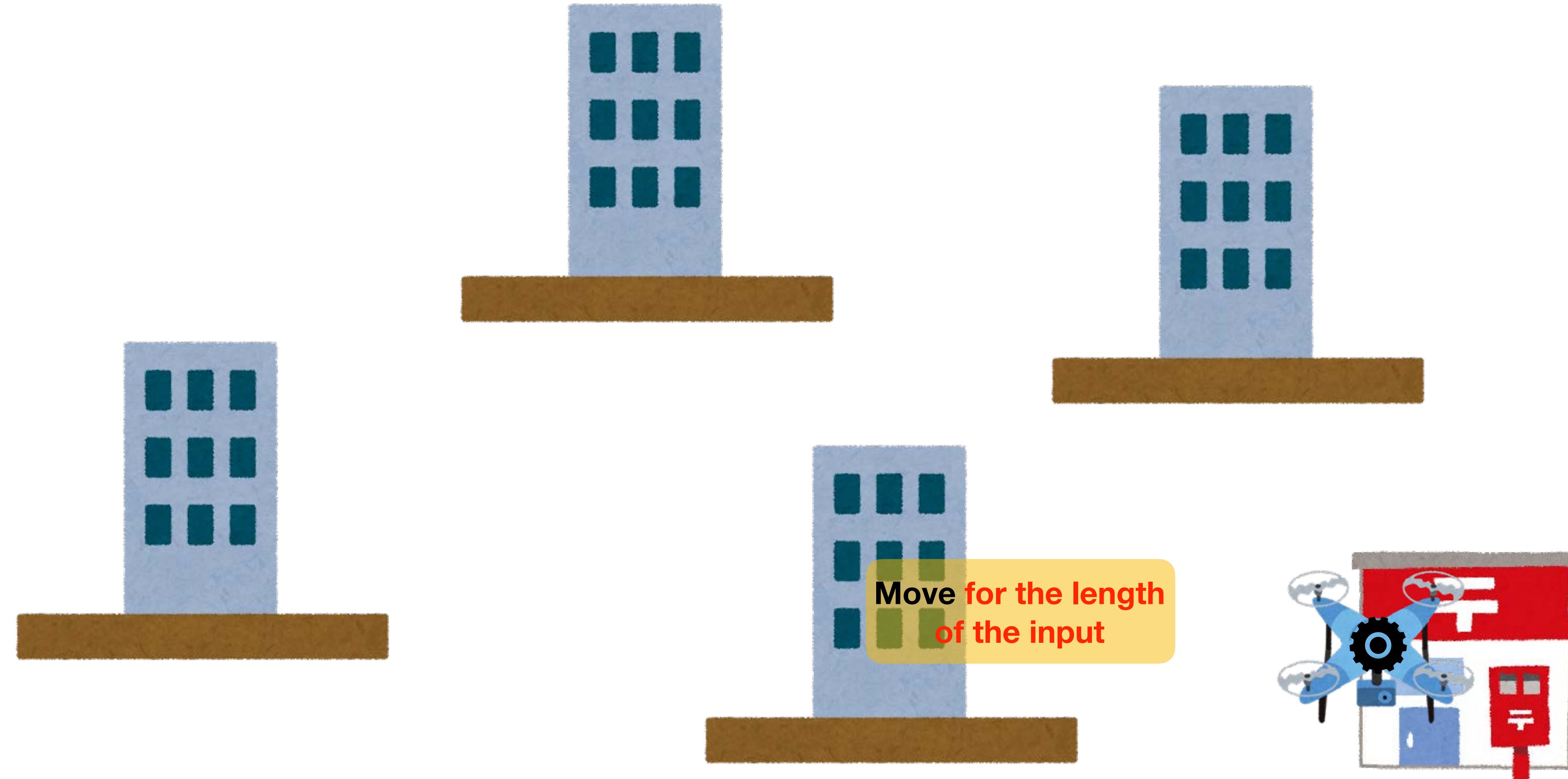
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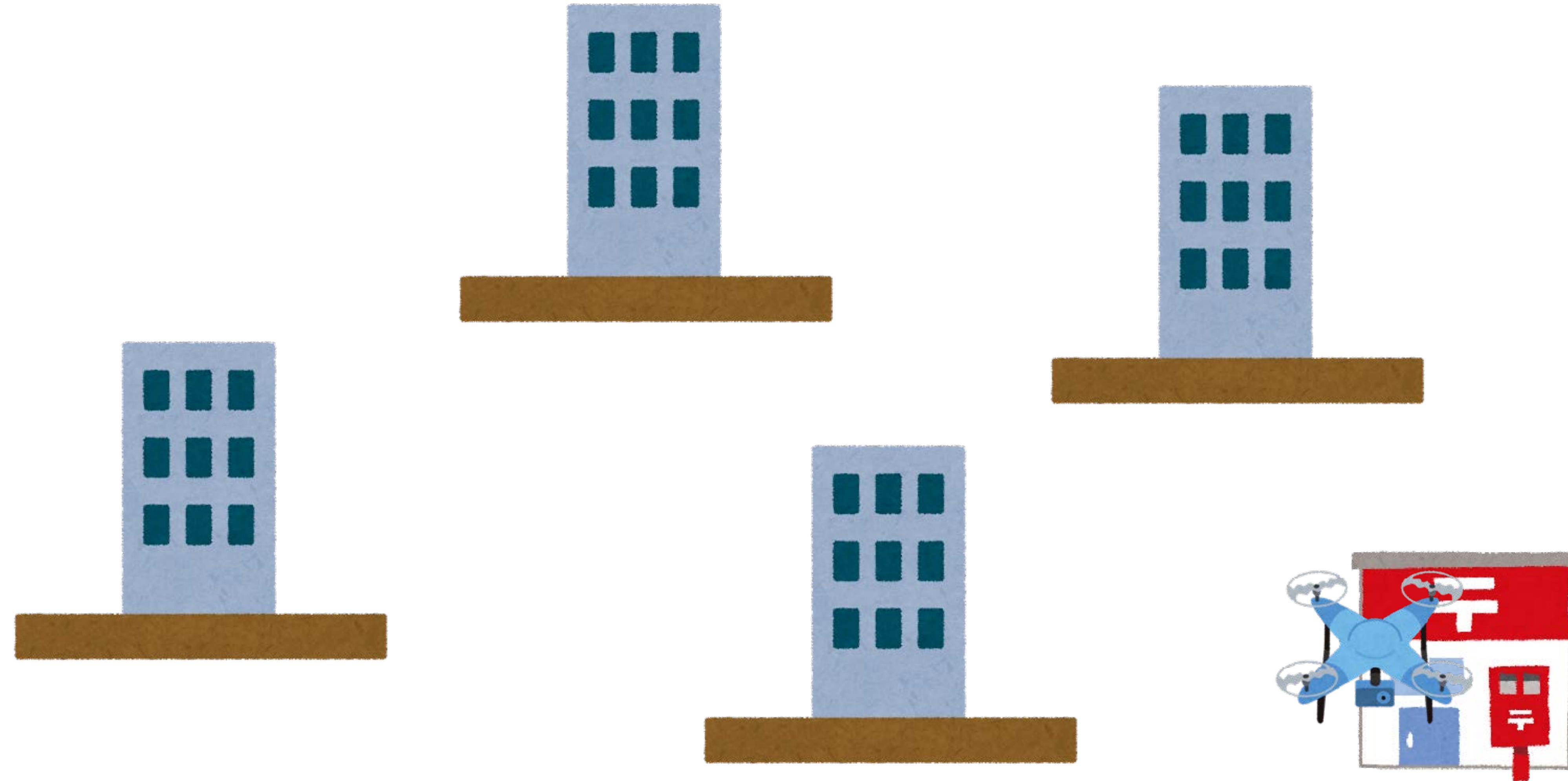
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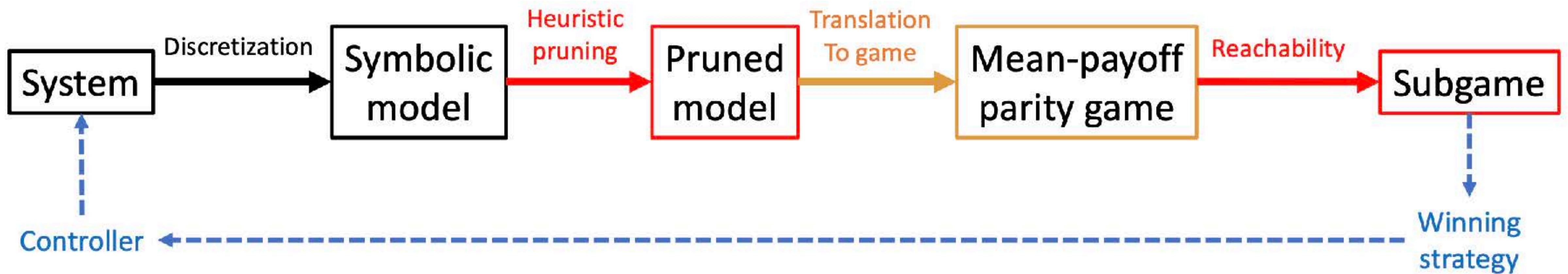
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Overview of the method



Comparison with related work

Methods	Systems			Specifications
	Time	Type	Self-Triggered	
Zamani et al., IEEE-TAC 2012	Continuous	Deterministic Non-linear	No	Reach-avoid
Hashimoto et al., L-CSS 2019	Discrete	Deterministic Non-linear	Yes	Reach-avoid
Ours	Continuous	Non-deterministic Non-linear	Yes	Right-recursive LTL

Continuous-time non-deterministic system

$$\Sigma = (X, X_{in}, U, \mathcal{U}, \xi^{\rightarrow}, \xi^{\leftarrow})$$

Where:

- $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ bounded convex (state space)
- $X_{in} \subseteq X$ (initial states)
- $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ bounded convex (input space)
- $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \{(T, u) \mid T > 0 \wedge u : [0, T] \rightarrow U\}$ (signal space)
- $\xi^{\rightarrow} : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{U} \times \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ (forward dynamic)
- $\xi^{\leftarrow} : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{U} \times \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ (backward dynamic)

Example: non-holonomic robot

As a system:

With equations:

$$\dot{x}(t) = (1 + \lambda(t)) \cdot v \cdot \cos(\theta(t))$$

$$\dot{y}(t) = (1 + \lambda(t)) \cdot v \cdot \sin(\theta(t))$$

$$\dot{\theta}(t) = \omega(t)$$

Where:

- v is constant speed
- ω is the control input (steering angle speed)
- λ is non-deterministic ranging over $[-\bar{\lambda}, \bar{\lambda}]$

• $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$ bounded convex

• $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ bounded convex

• $\xi^\rightarrow : \mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathcal{U} \times \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^3)$

$\xi^\rightarrow(x, y, \theta, \omega, t) = \{(x', y', \theta') \mid \exists \lambda : [0, t] \rightarrow [-\bar{\lambda}, \bar{\lambda}] .$

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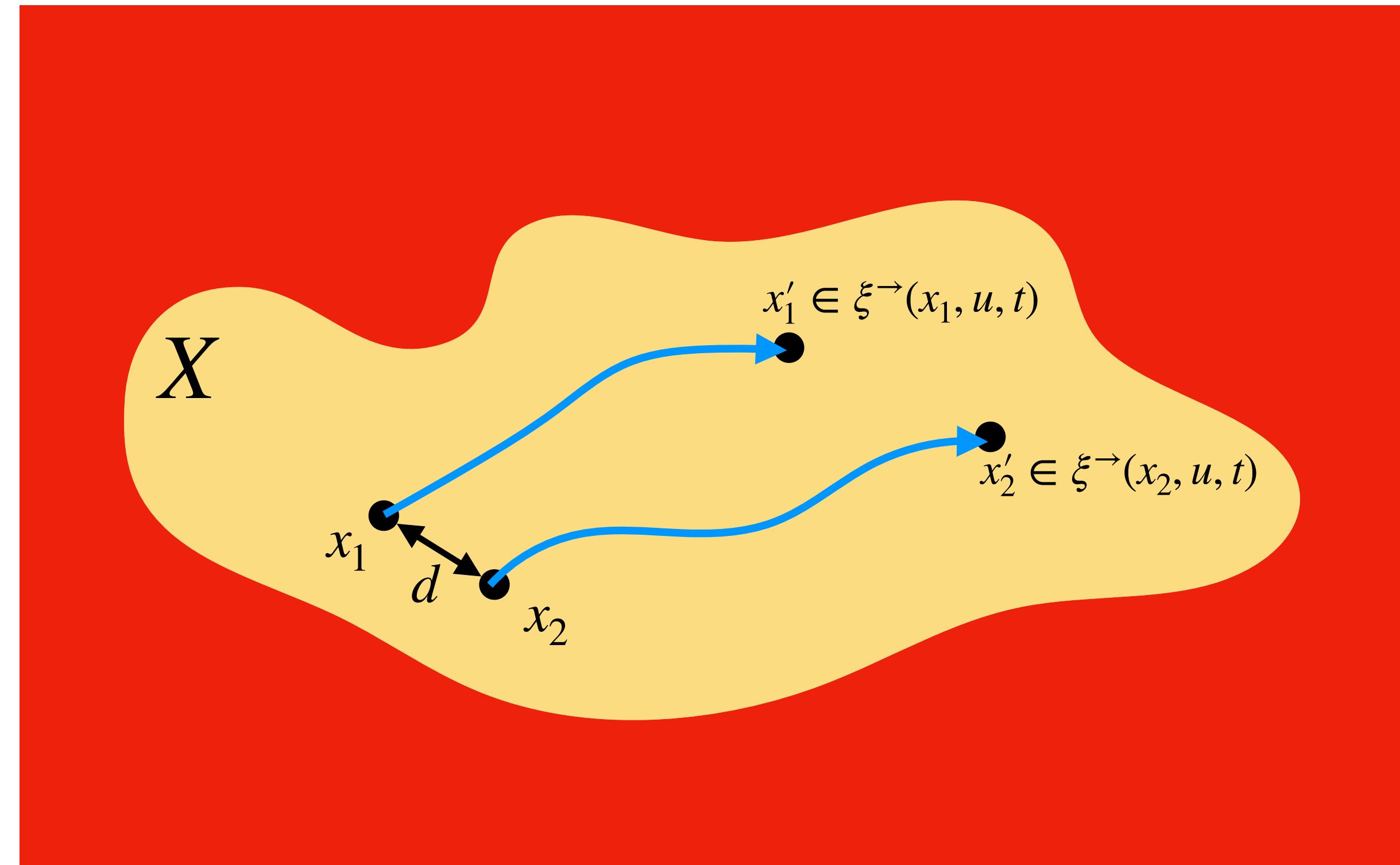
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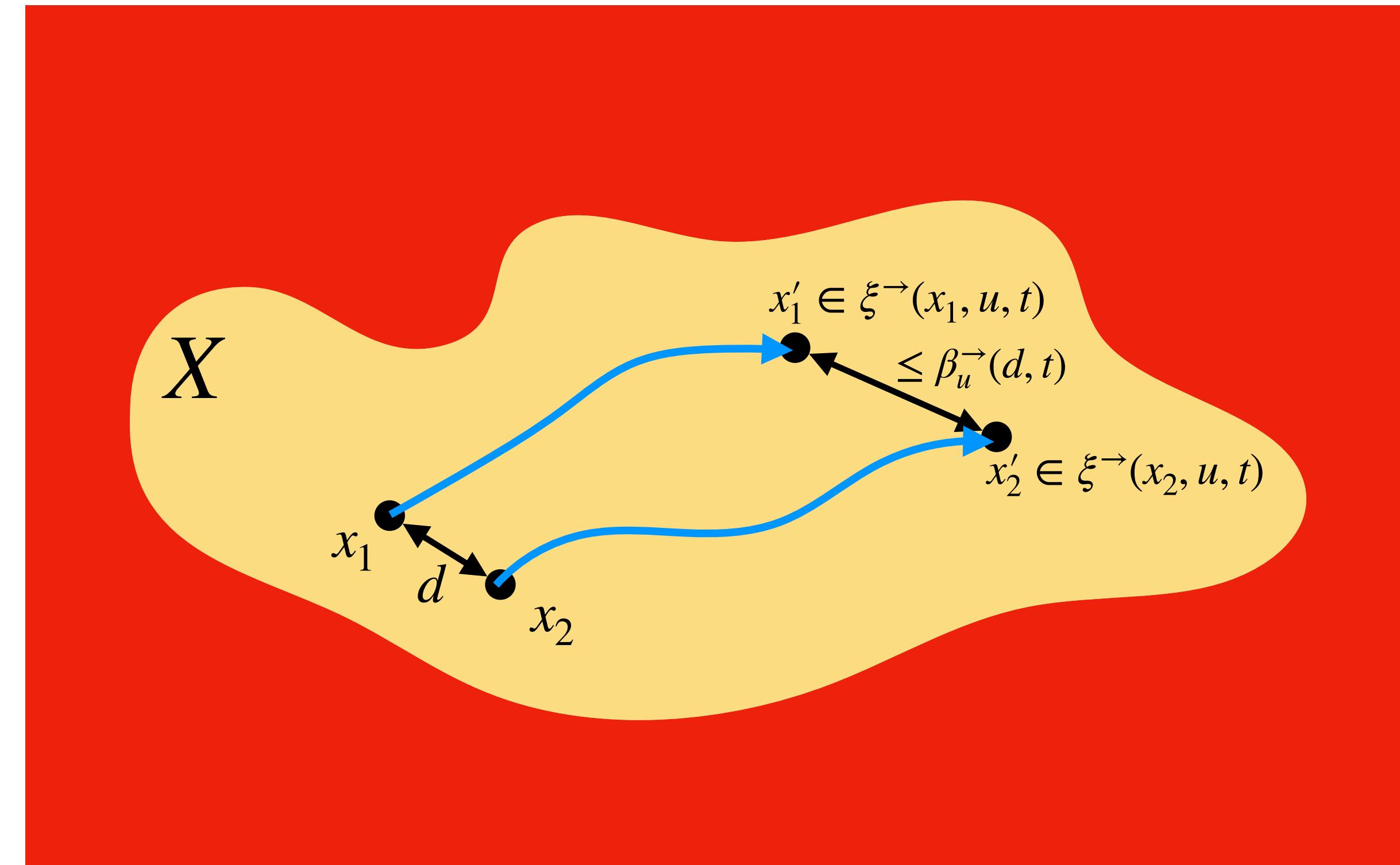
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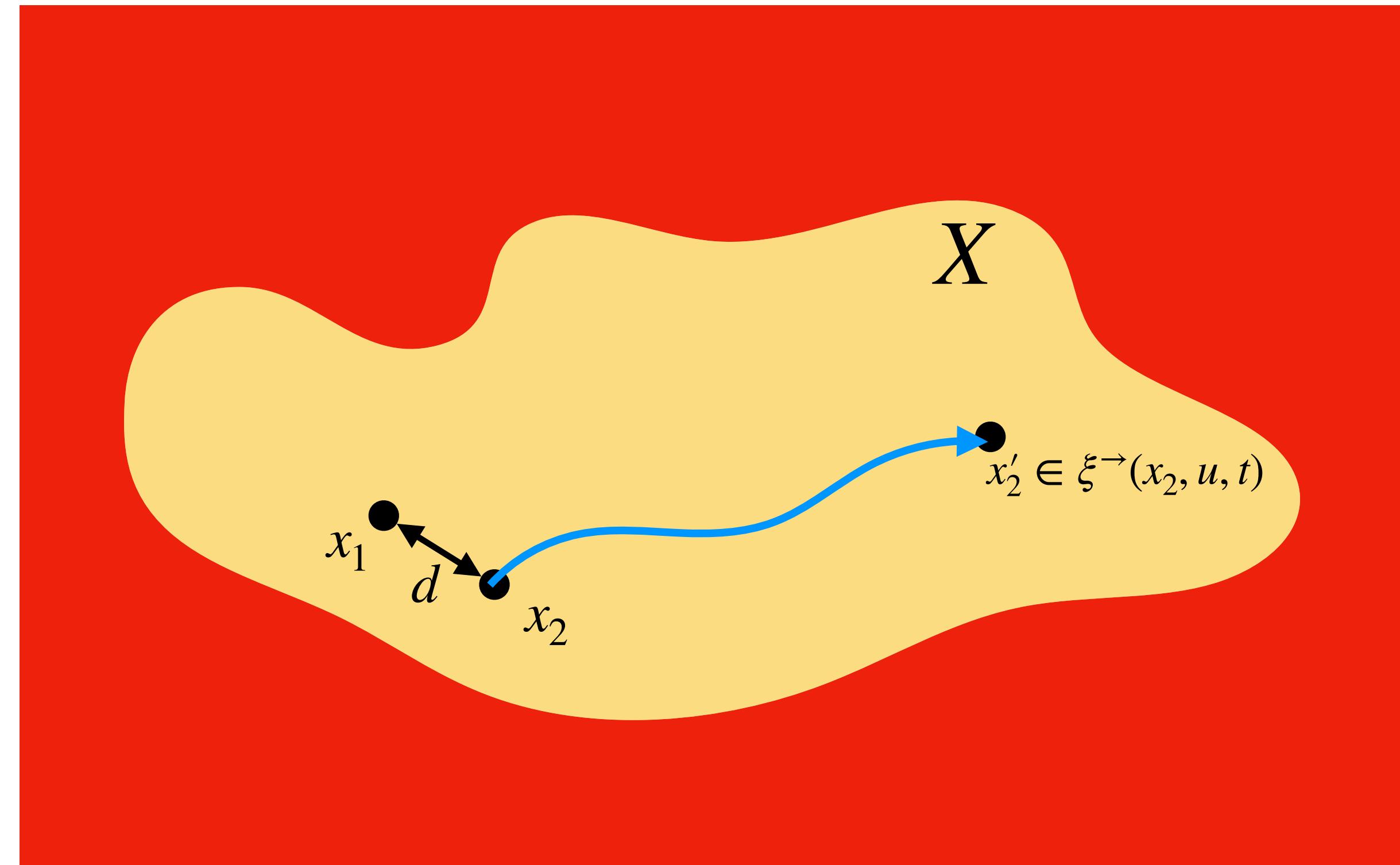
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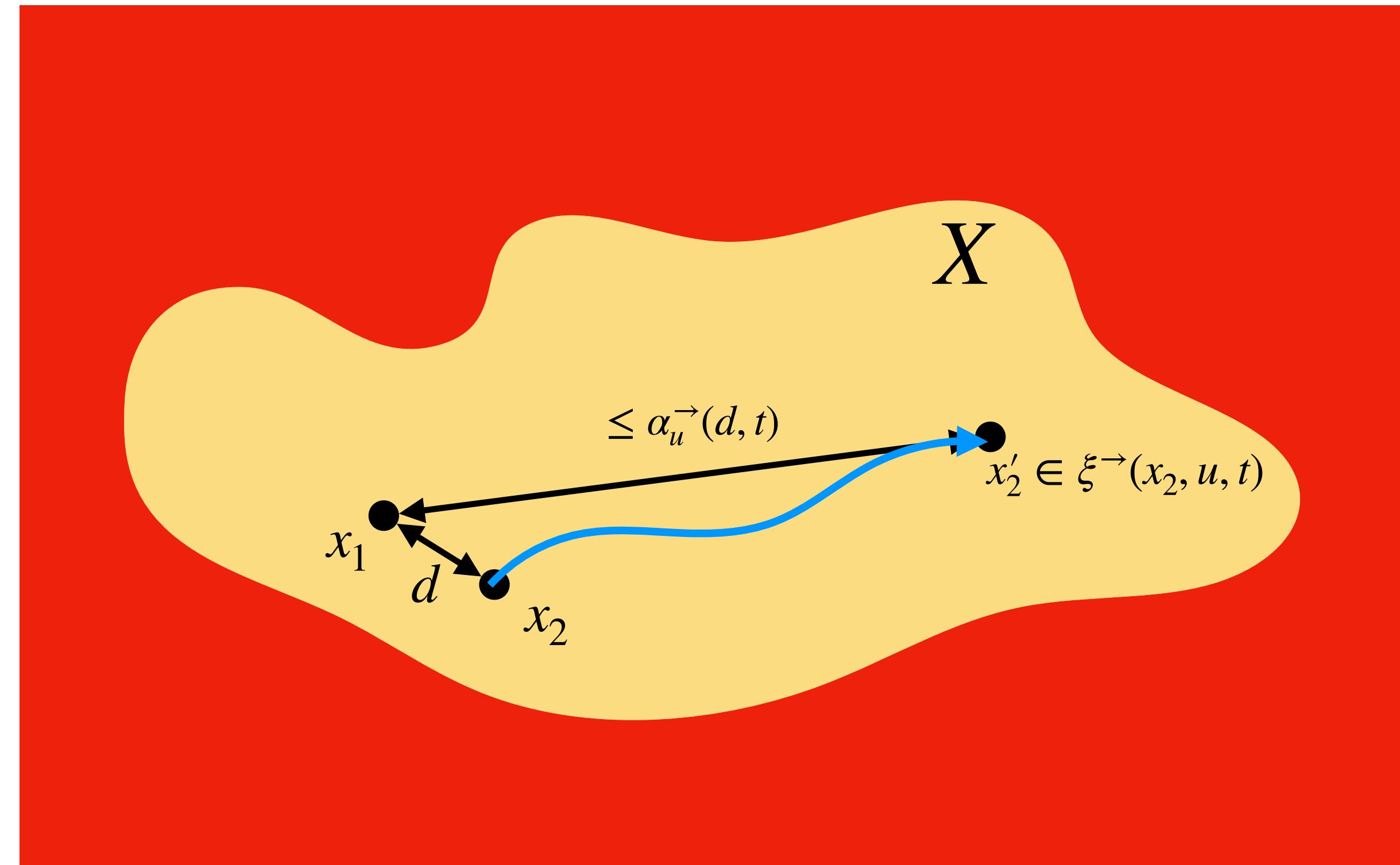
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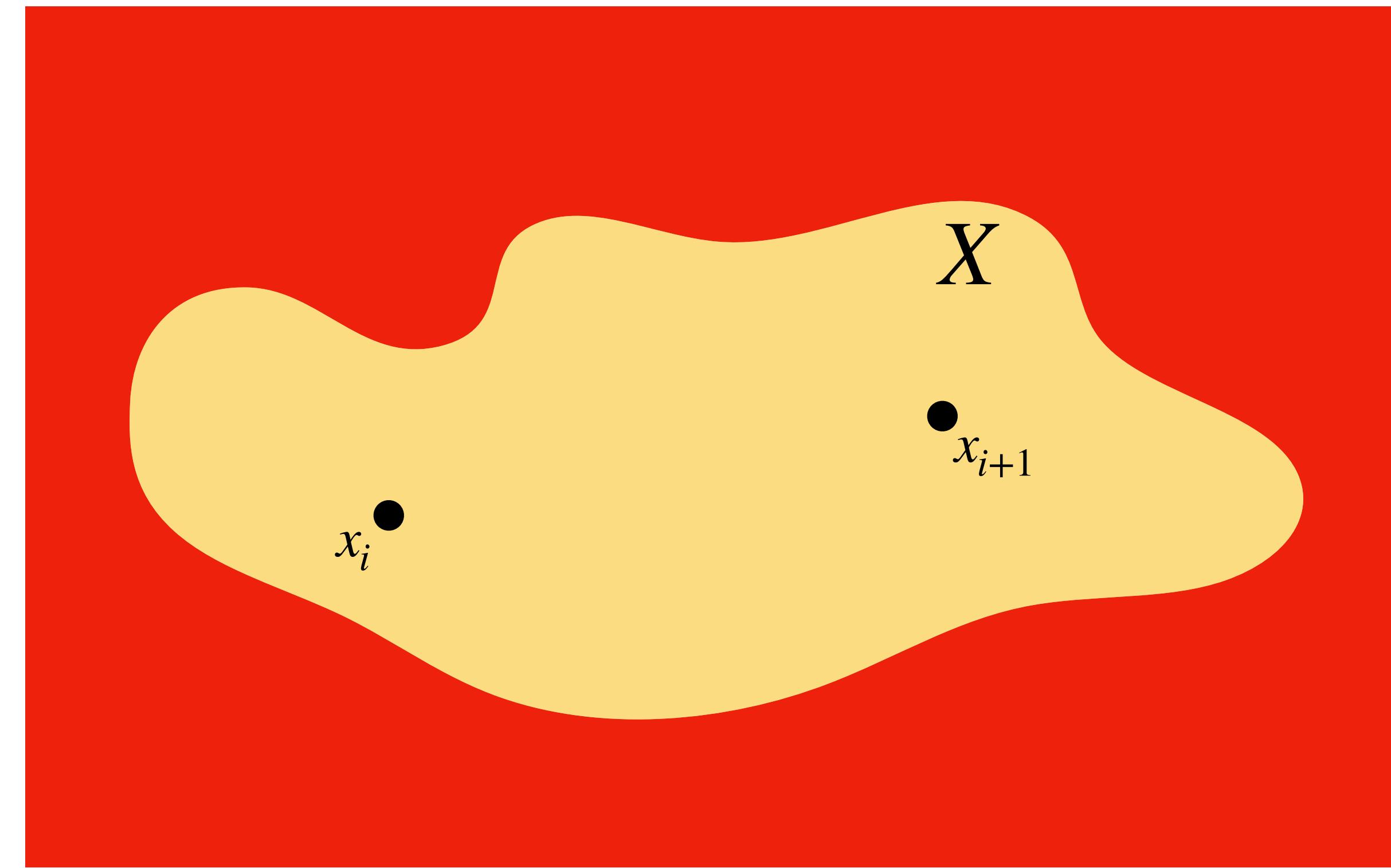
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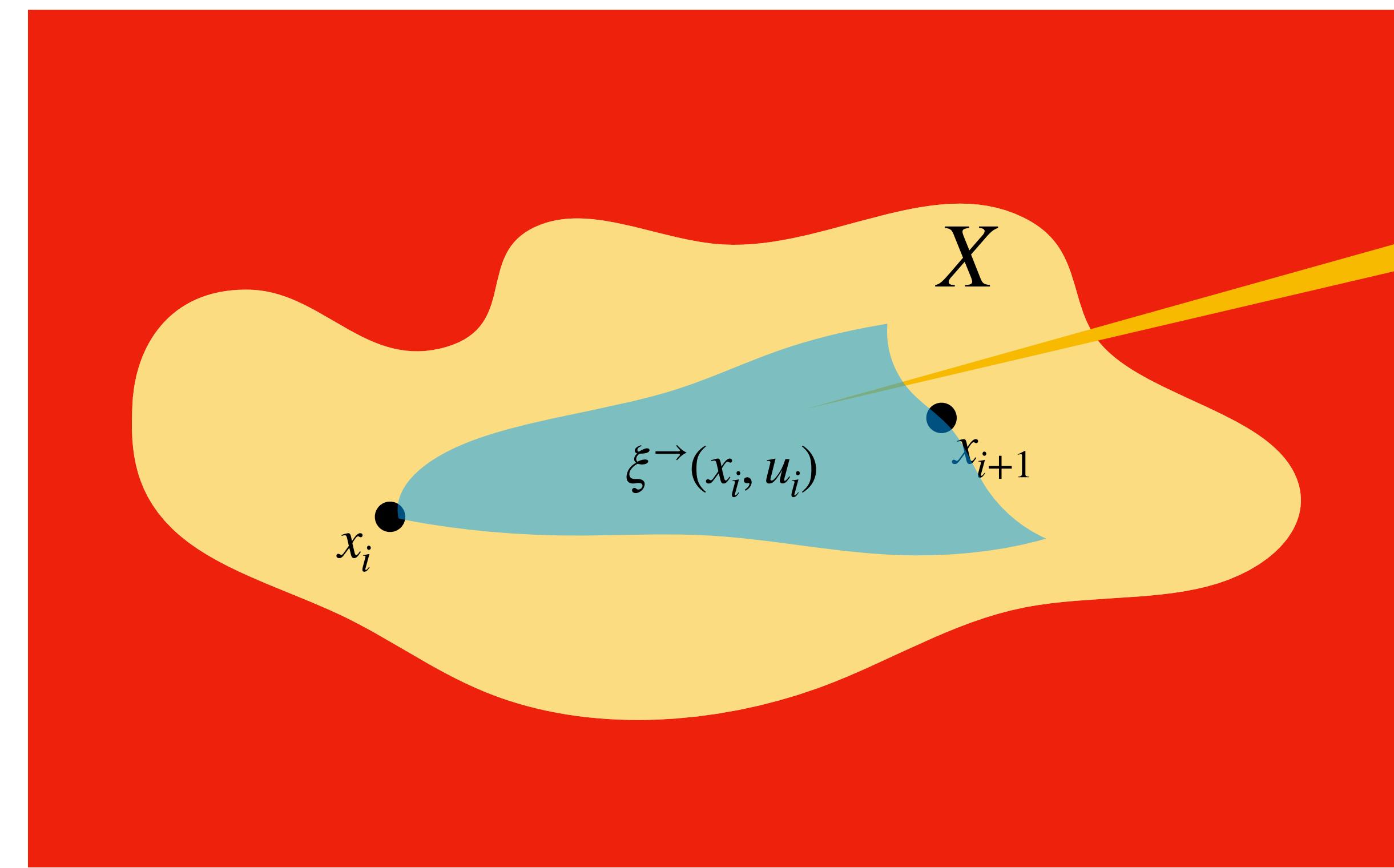
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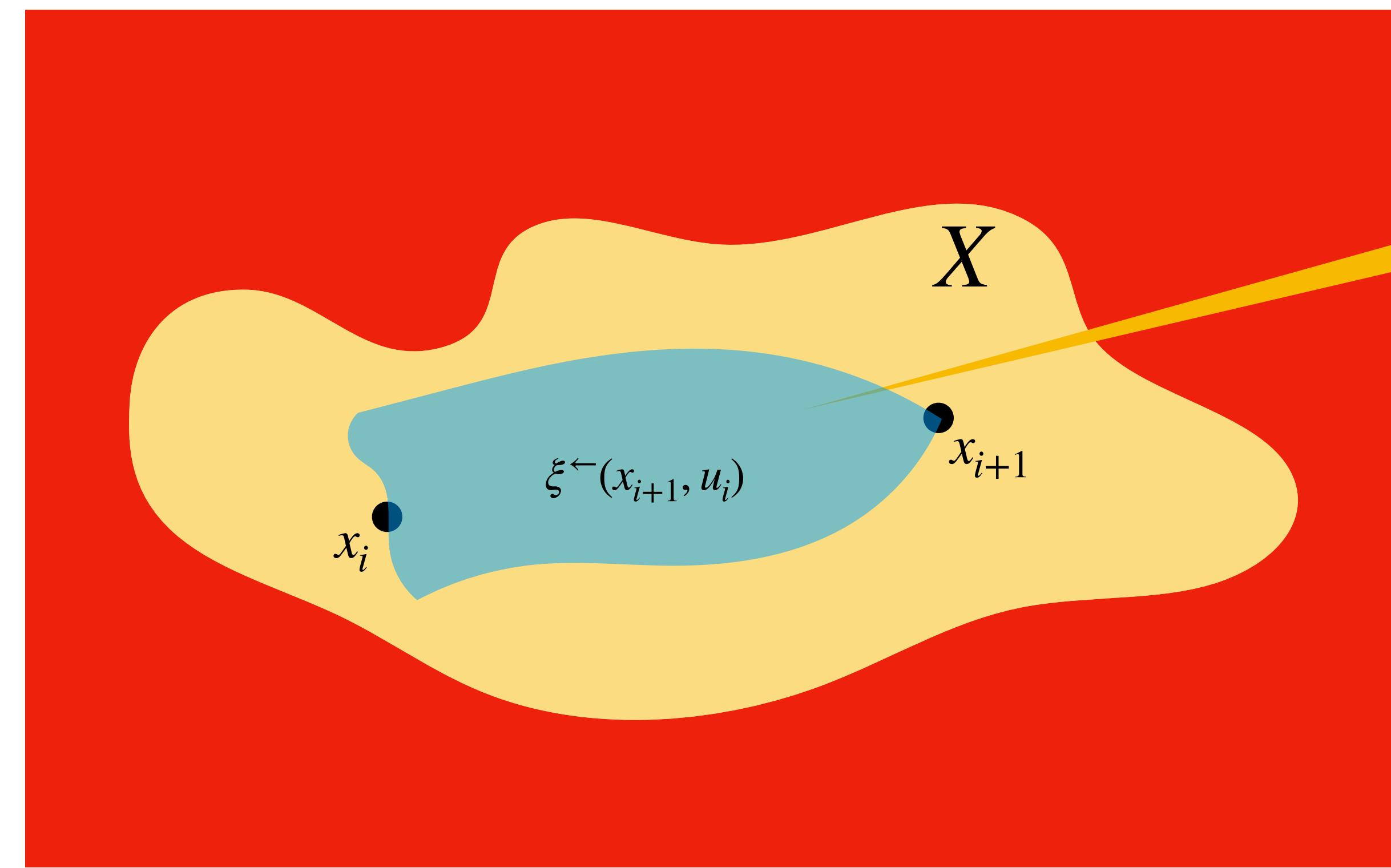


$$\begin{aligned}\xi^{\rightarrow}(x_i, u_i, t) &\subseteq X \\ x_{i+1} &\in \xi^{\rightarrow}(x_i, u_i, \text{len}(u_i))\end{aligned}$$

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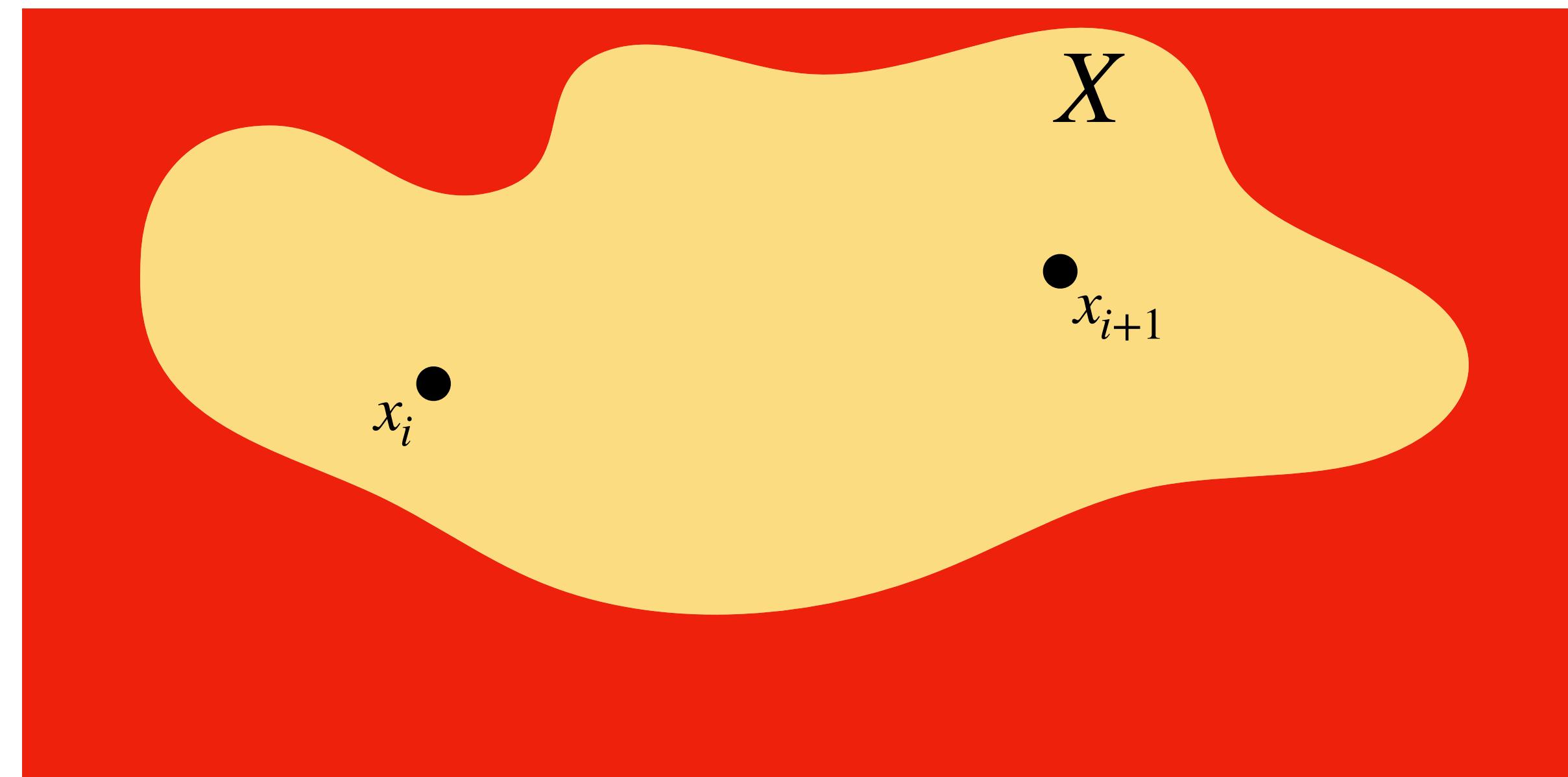
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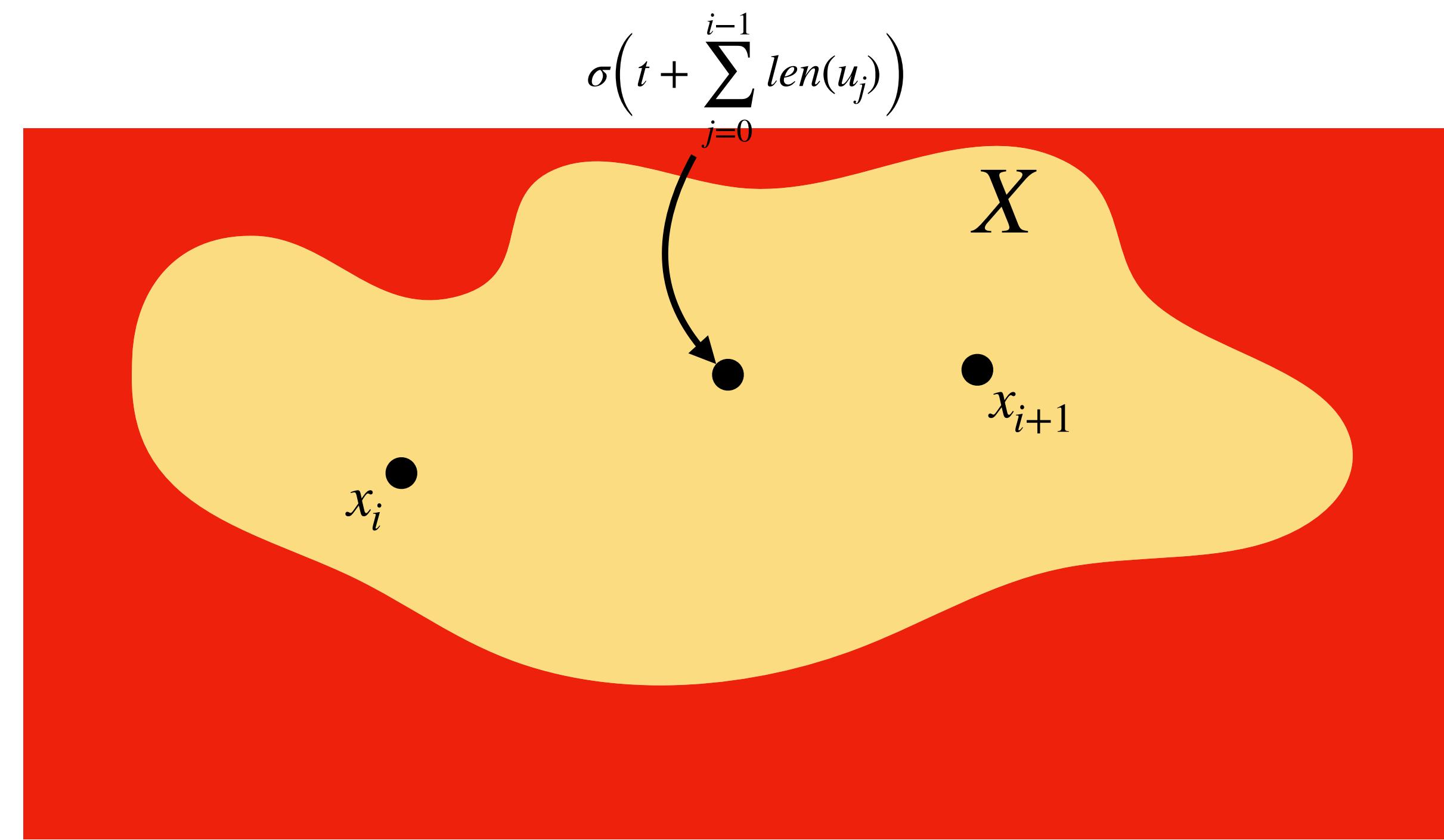
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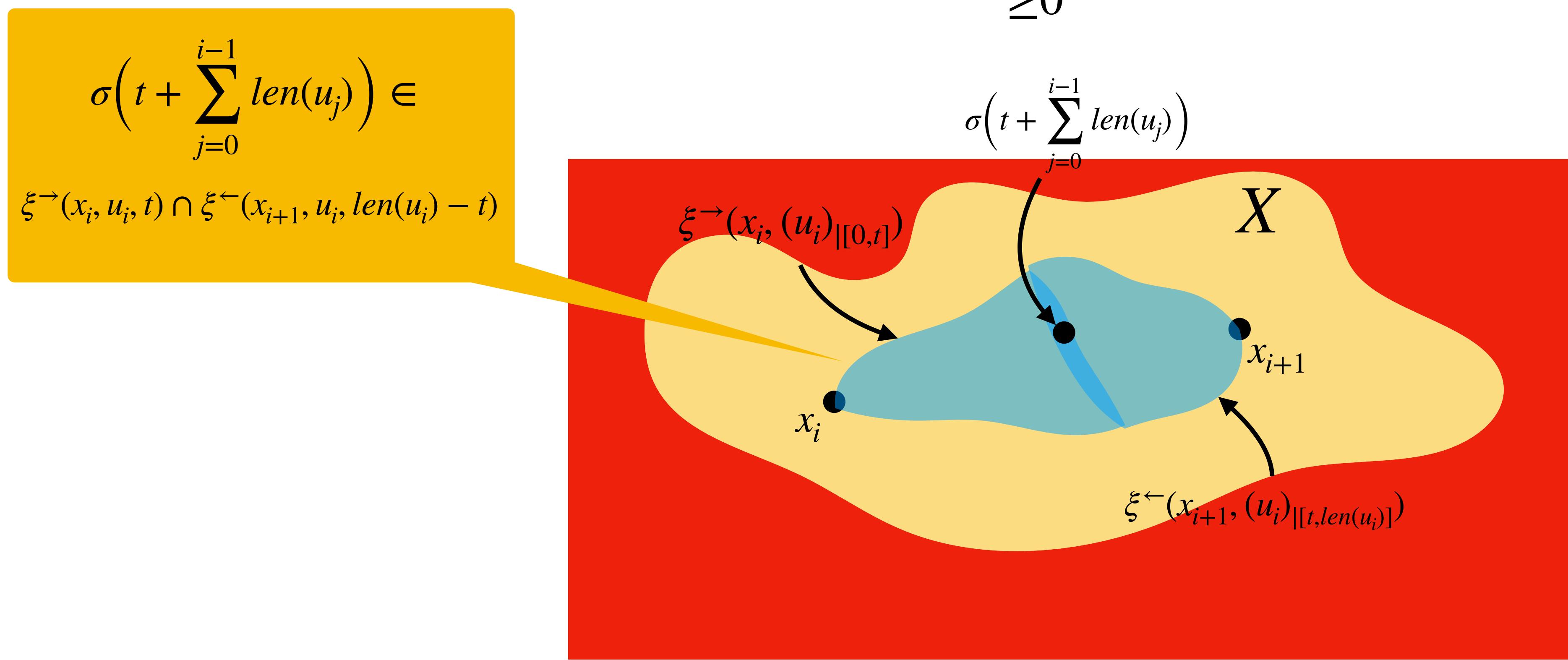
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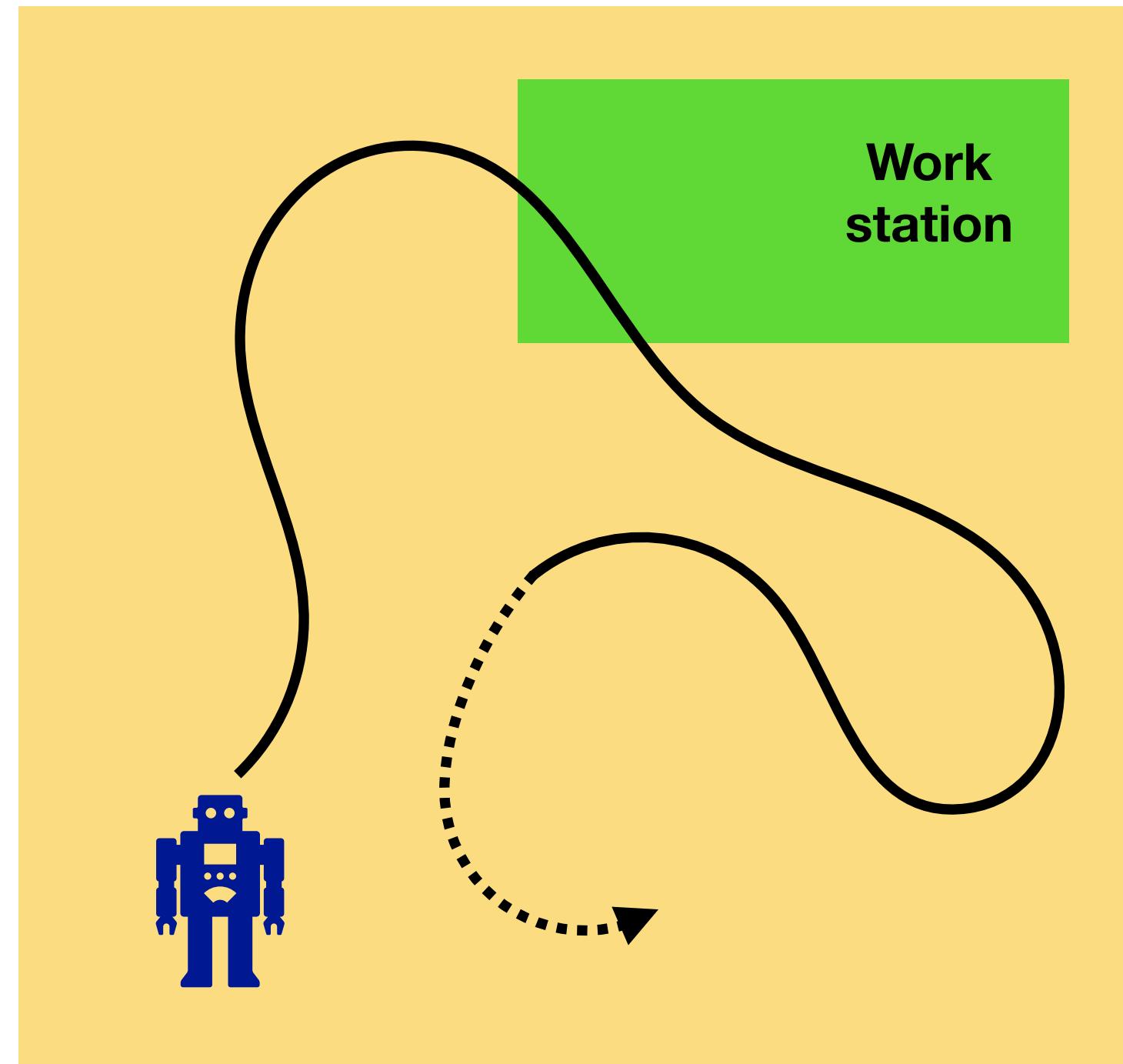
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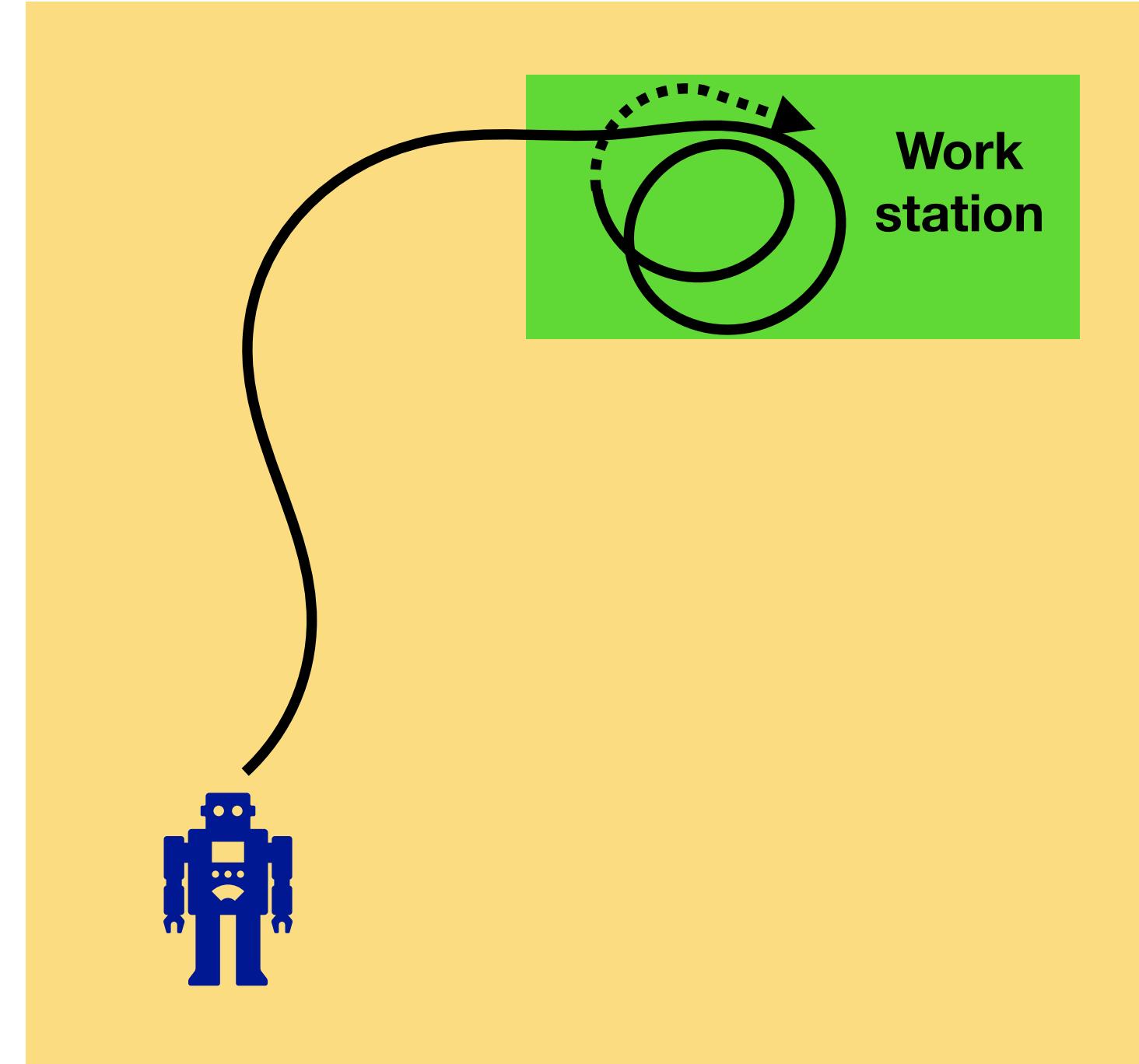
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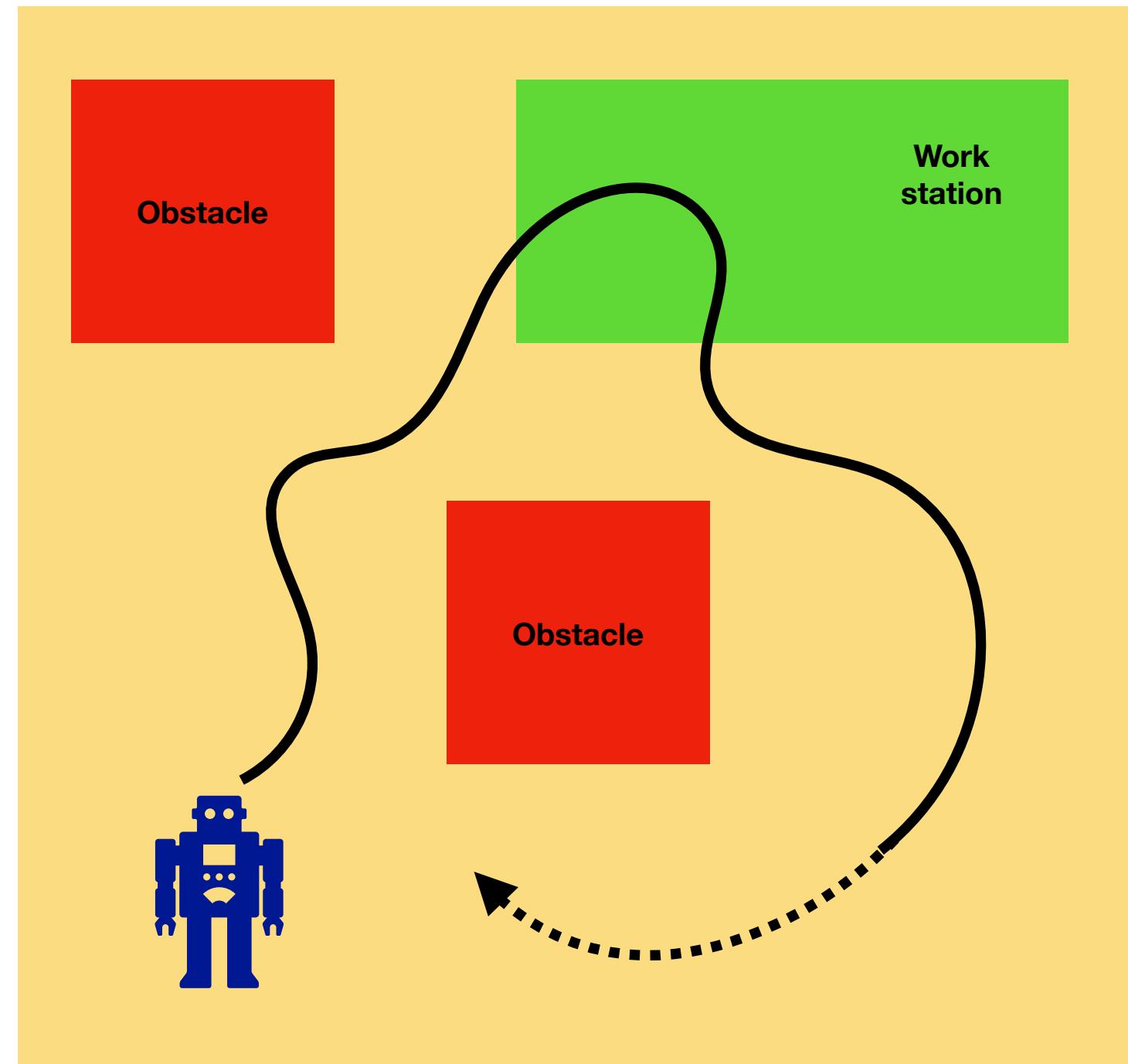


Reach
“***At some point***
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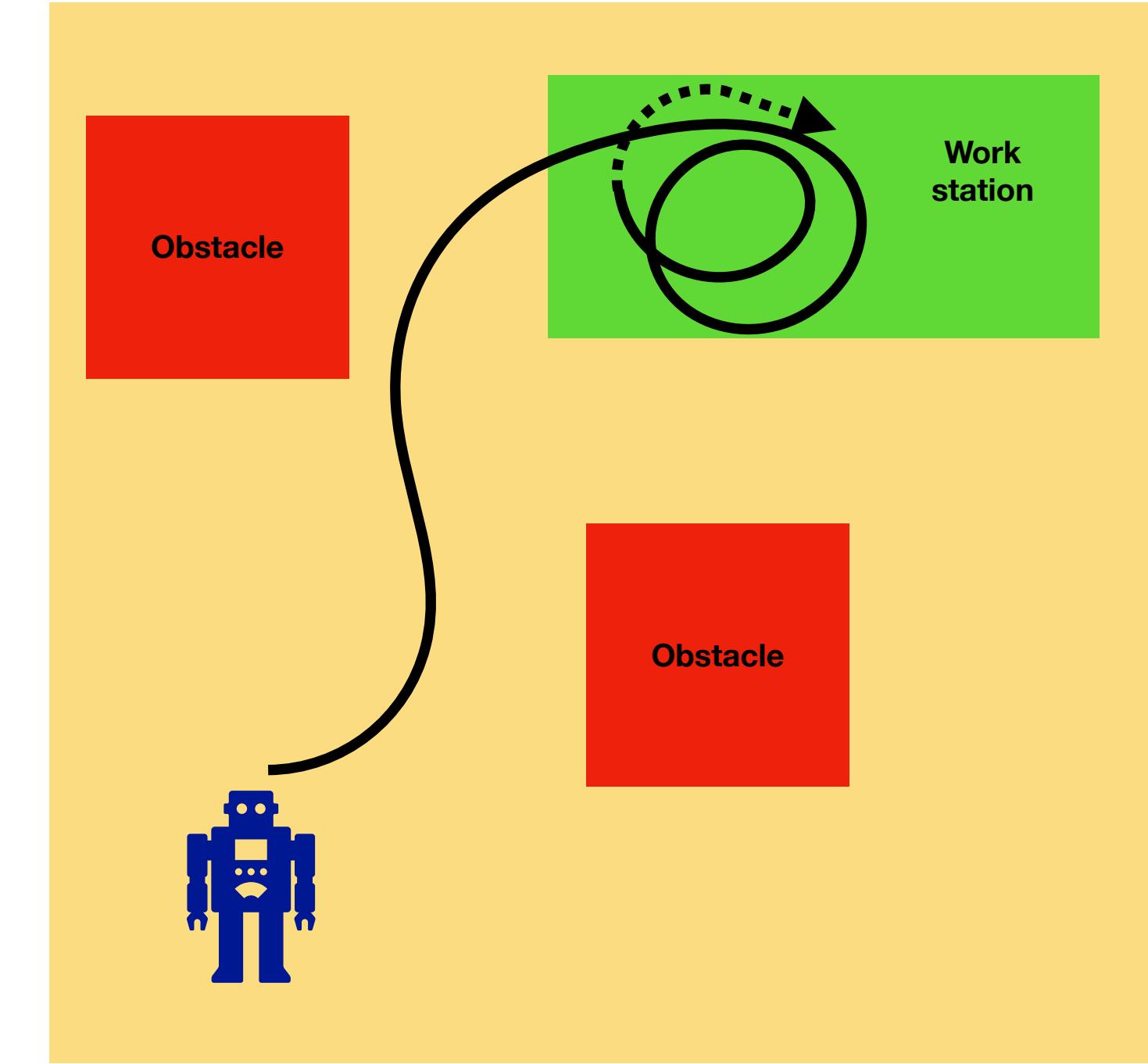


Better reach
“***At some point***
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and we stay in it ***indefinitely***”

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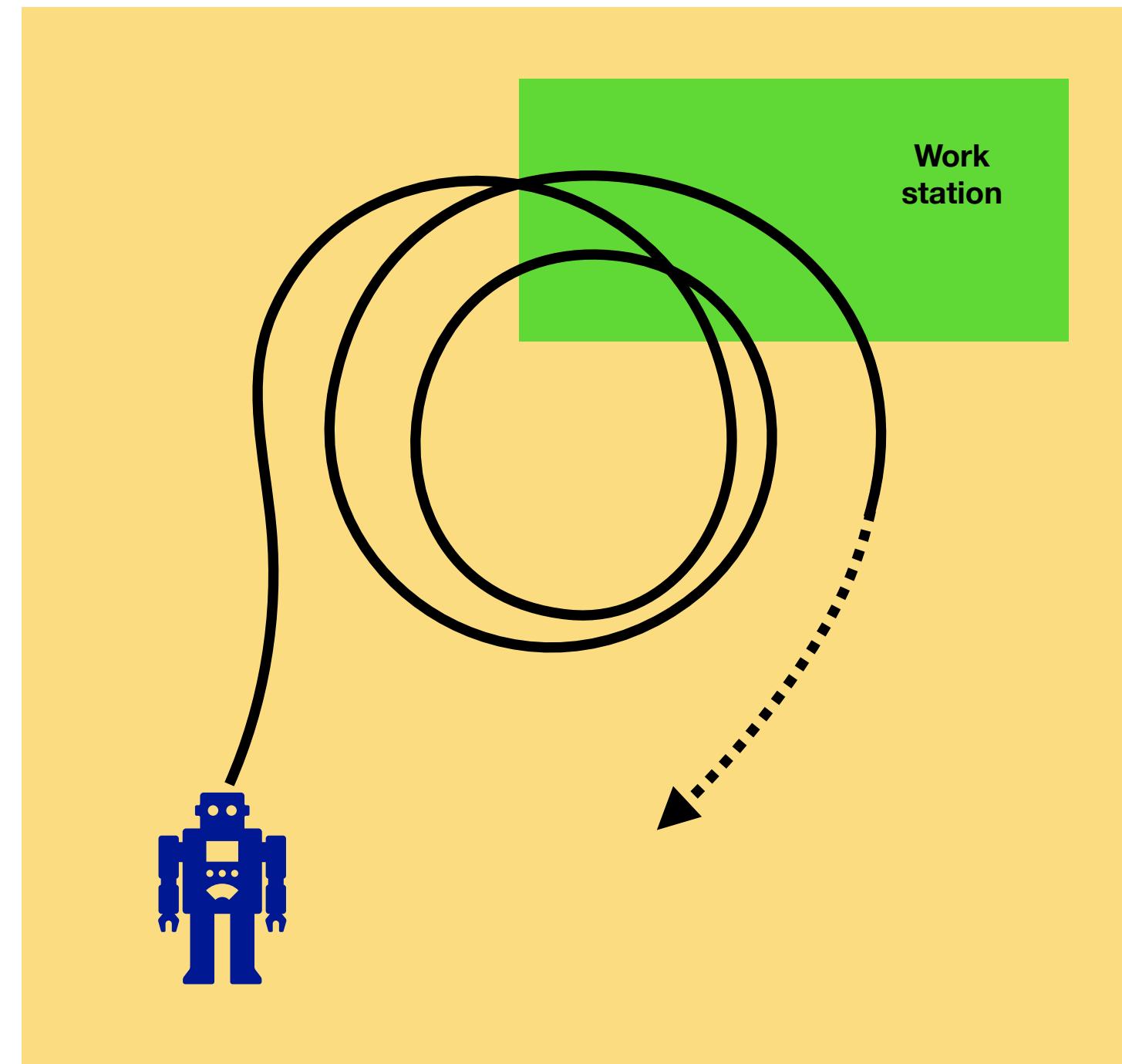


Reach-avoid
“**At some point**
we enter the desired zone
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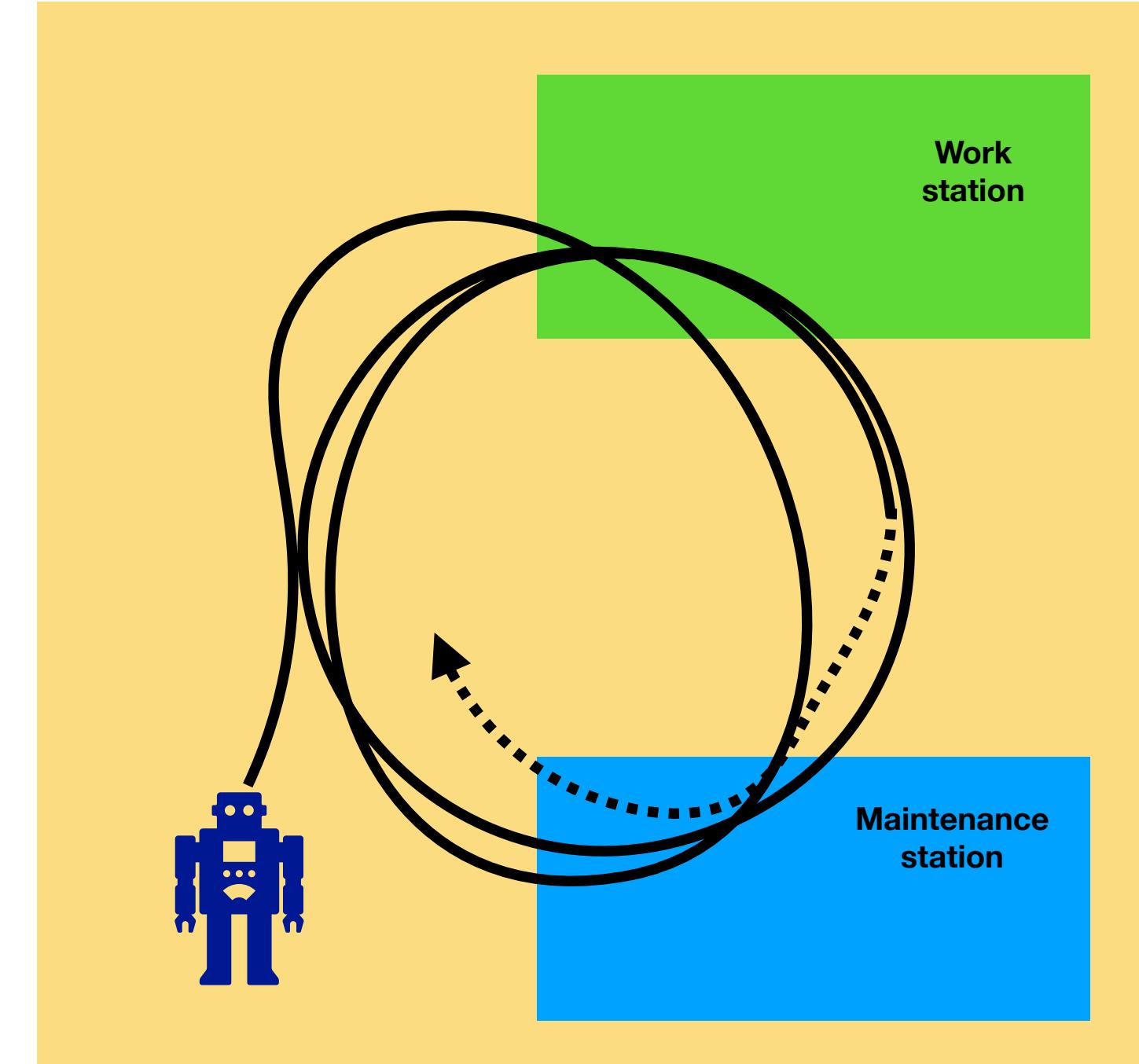


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Specifications, informally



Recurrent reach
“Visit the desired zone
infinitely often”



Double recurrent reach
“Navigate between
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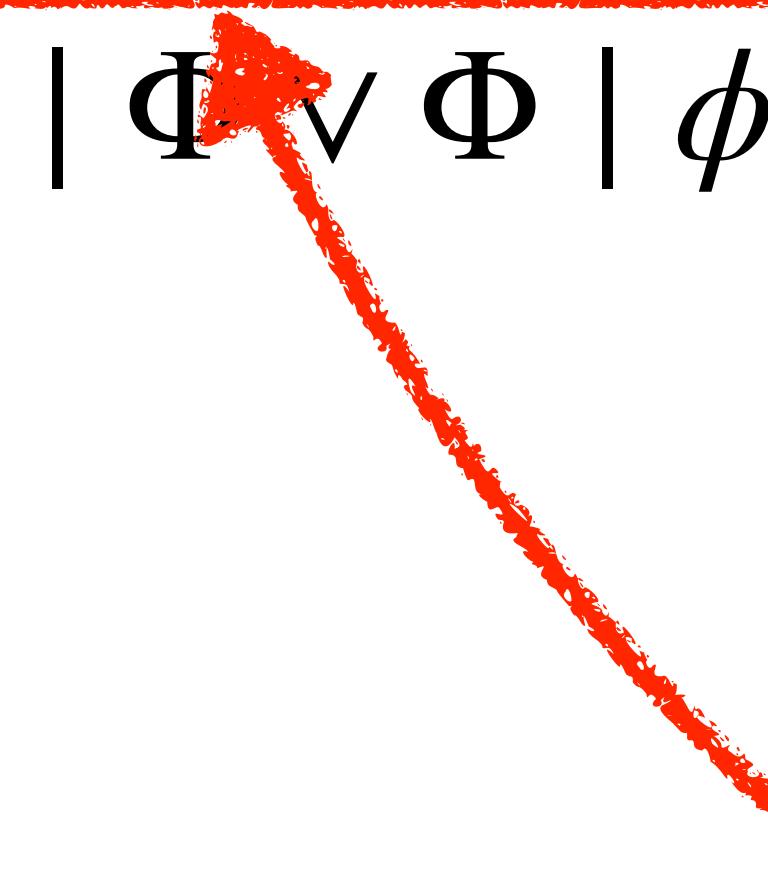
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Atomic propositions
 $P : X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(AP)$

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Path formulas



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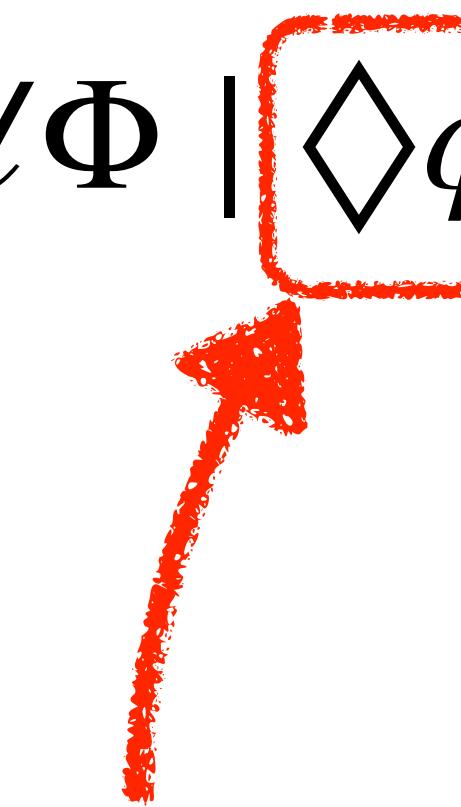
Difference with LTL: no negation

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Until: “ ϕ holds until Φ holds, and Φ must hold at some point”
Difference with LTL: state formula on the left only

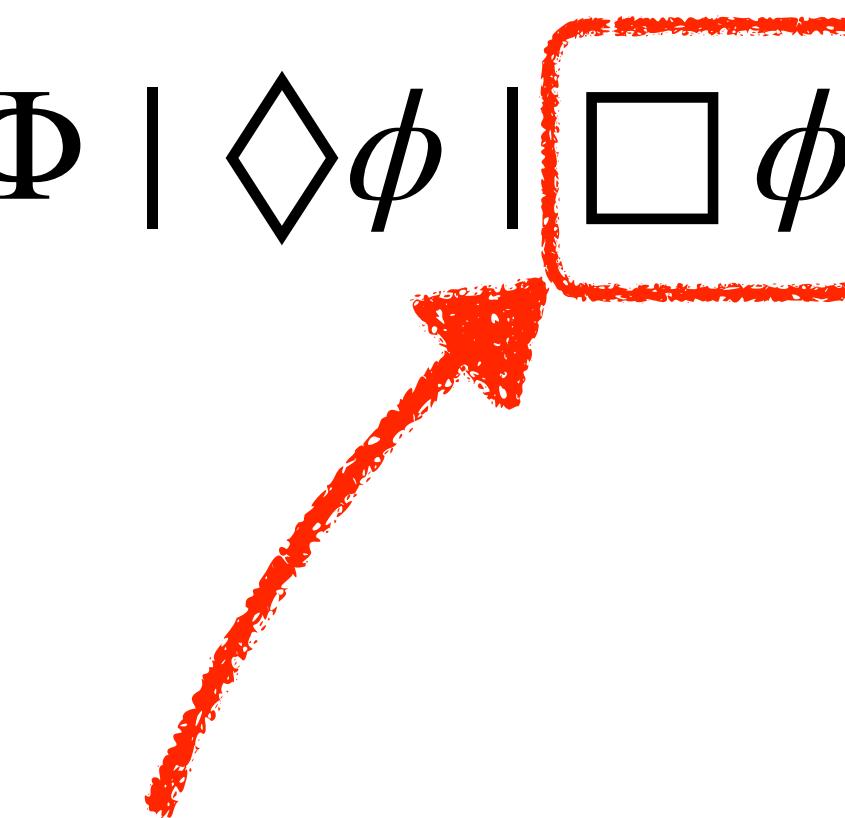
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Diamond: “ ϕ holds at some point”

Definable: $\top \mathcal{U} \phi$

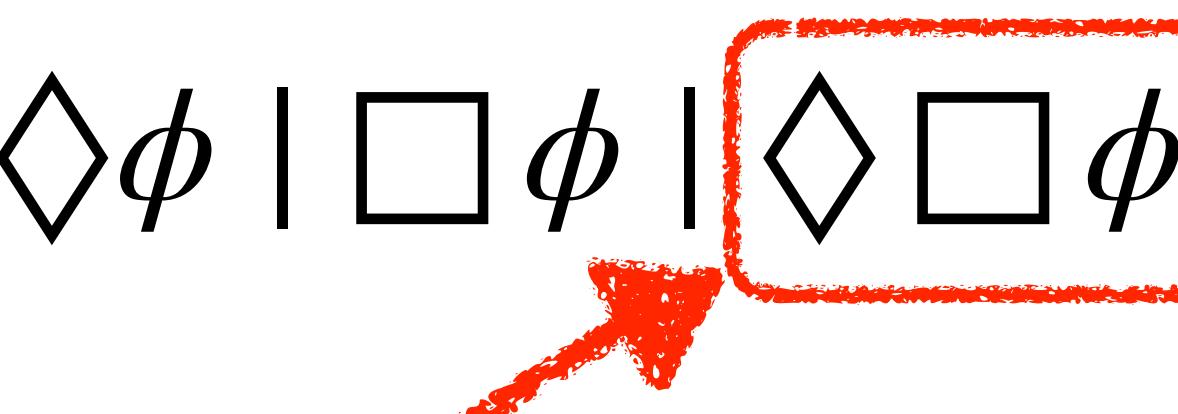
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Box: “ ϕ holds at all times”

Definable: $\neg(\top \mathcal{U} \neg\phi)$

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Ultimately: “ ϕ holds at all times after some point”

Definable: $\top \mathcal{U} (\Box \phi)$

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Recurrent: “ ϕ holds infinitely often”

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Difference with LTL: no arbitrary alternations of modalities?

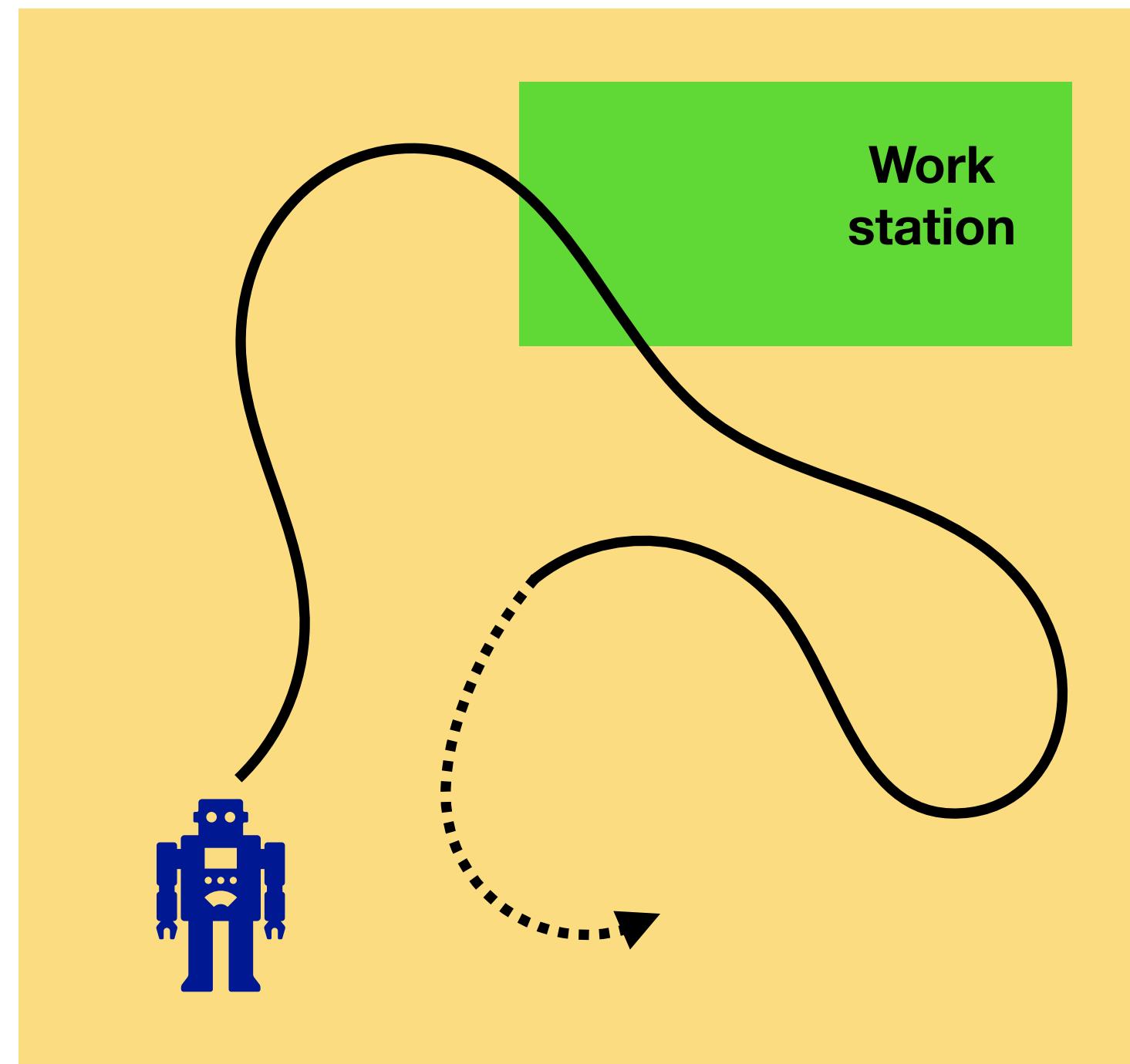
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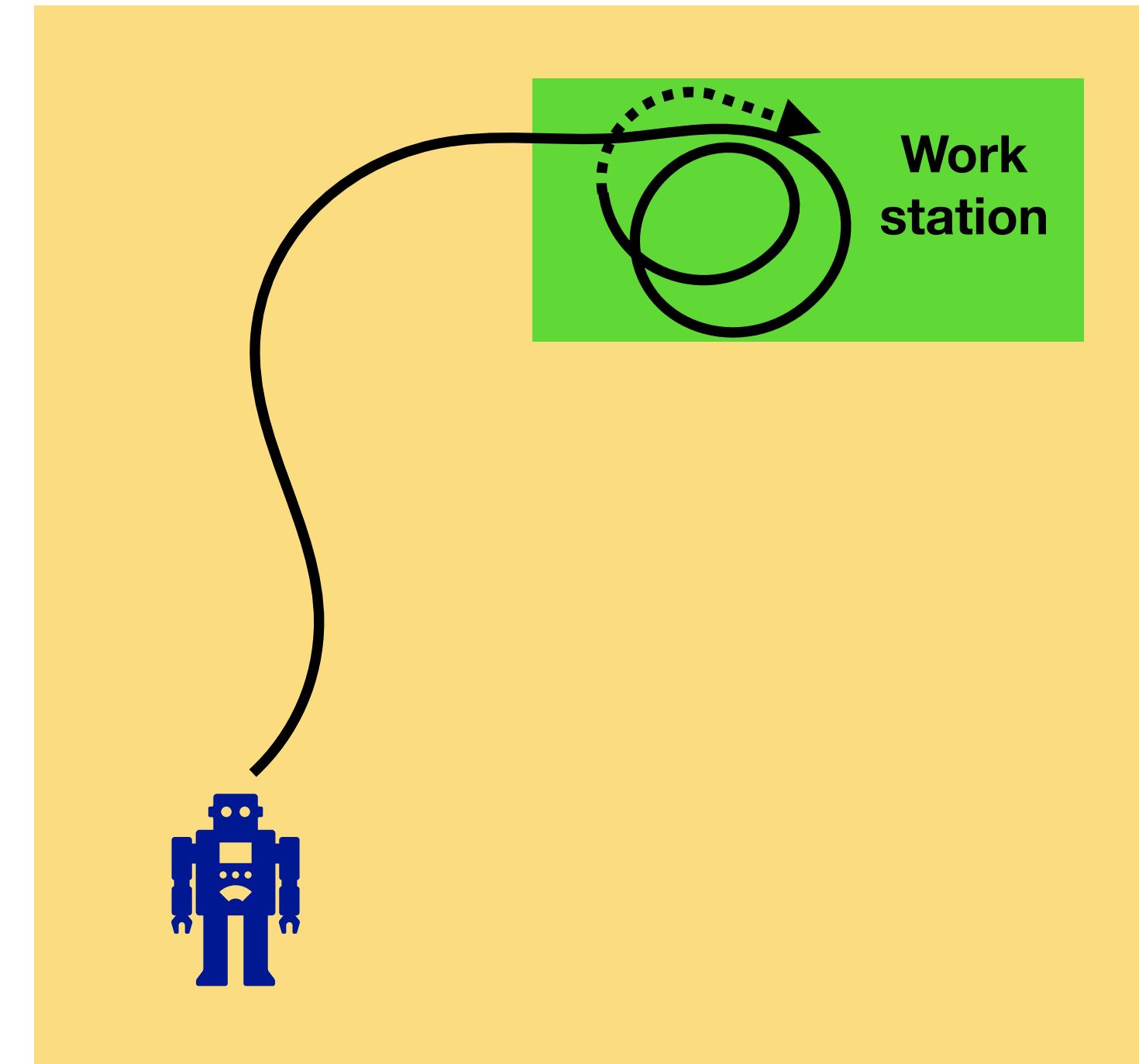
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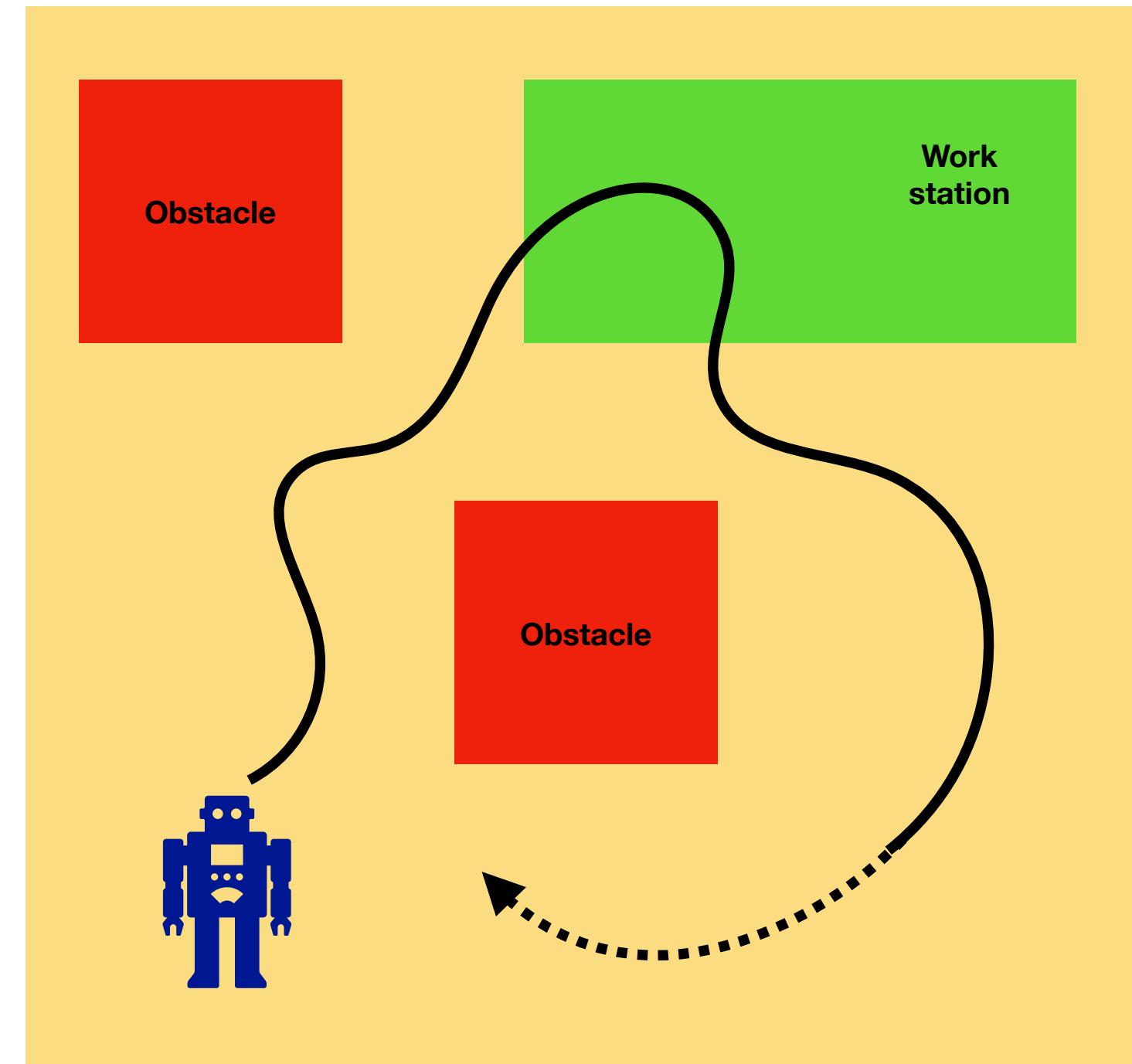


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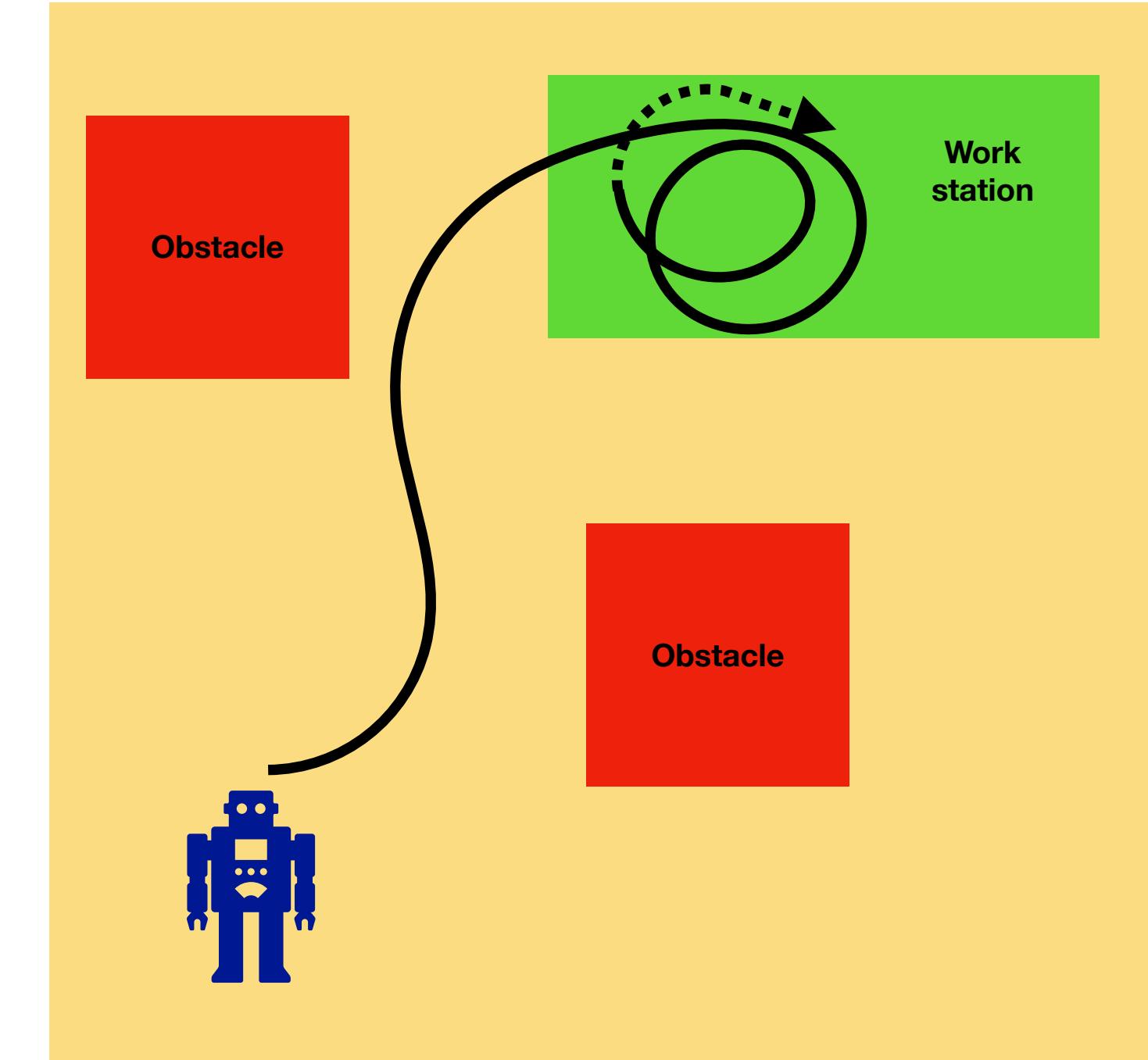


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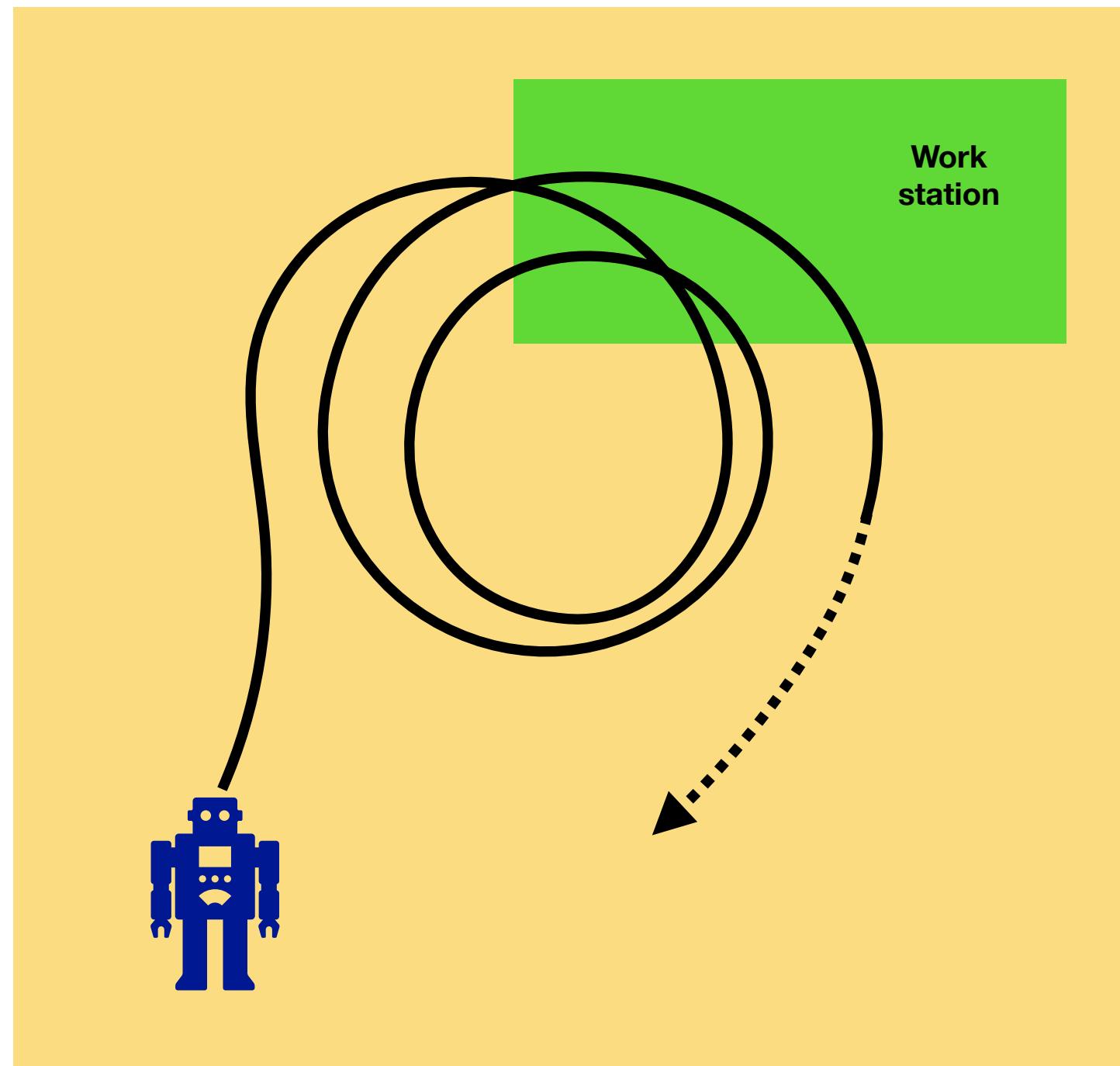


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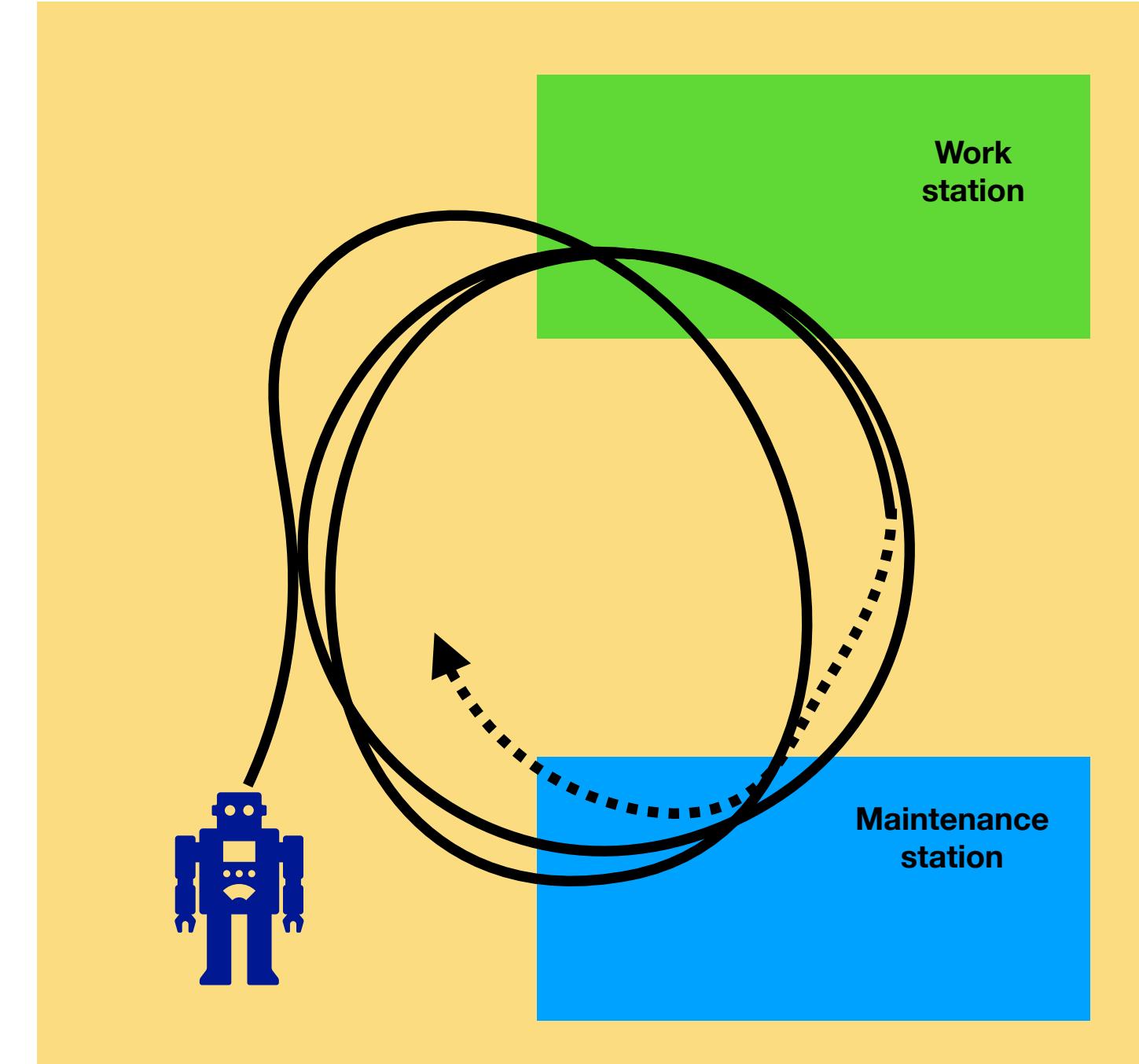


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Specifications, formally



Recurrent reach
 $\square \diamondsuit \text{work_station}$



Double recurrent reach
 $\square \diamondsuit \text{work_station} \wedge \square \diamondsuit \text{maintenance_station}$

Semantics

State formula:

$x \models \top$ **always holds**

$x \models p \in AP$ **iff** $p \in P(x)$

$x \models \neg\phi$ **iff** $x \not\models \phi$

$x \models \phi_1 \vee \phi_2$ **iff** $x \models \phi_1$ **or** $x \models \phi_2$

Path formula:

$\sigma \models \phi \mathcal{U} \Phi$ **iff** $\exists t . \sigma|_t \models \Phi \wedge \forall t' \geq t . \sigma(t') \models \phi$

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Controller and controlled runs

Controller of the system Σ : partial function:

$$C : FRun(\Sigma) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$$

Controlled run: $x_0u_0x_1\dots \in X(\mathcal{U}X)$ such that for all i :

$$C(x_0u_0x_1\dots u_{i-1}x_i) = u_i$$

Controlled trajectory: trajectory associated with a controlled run

Control problem

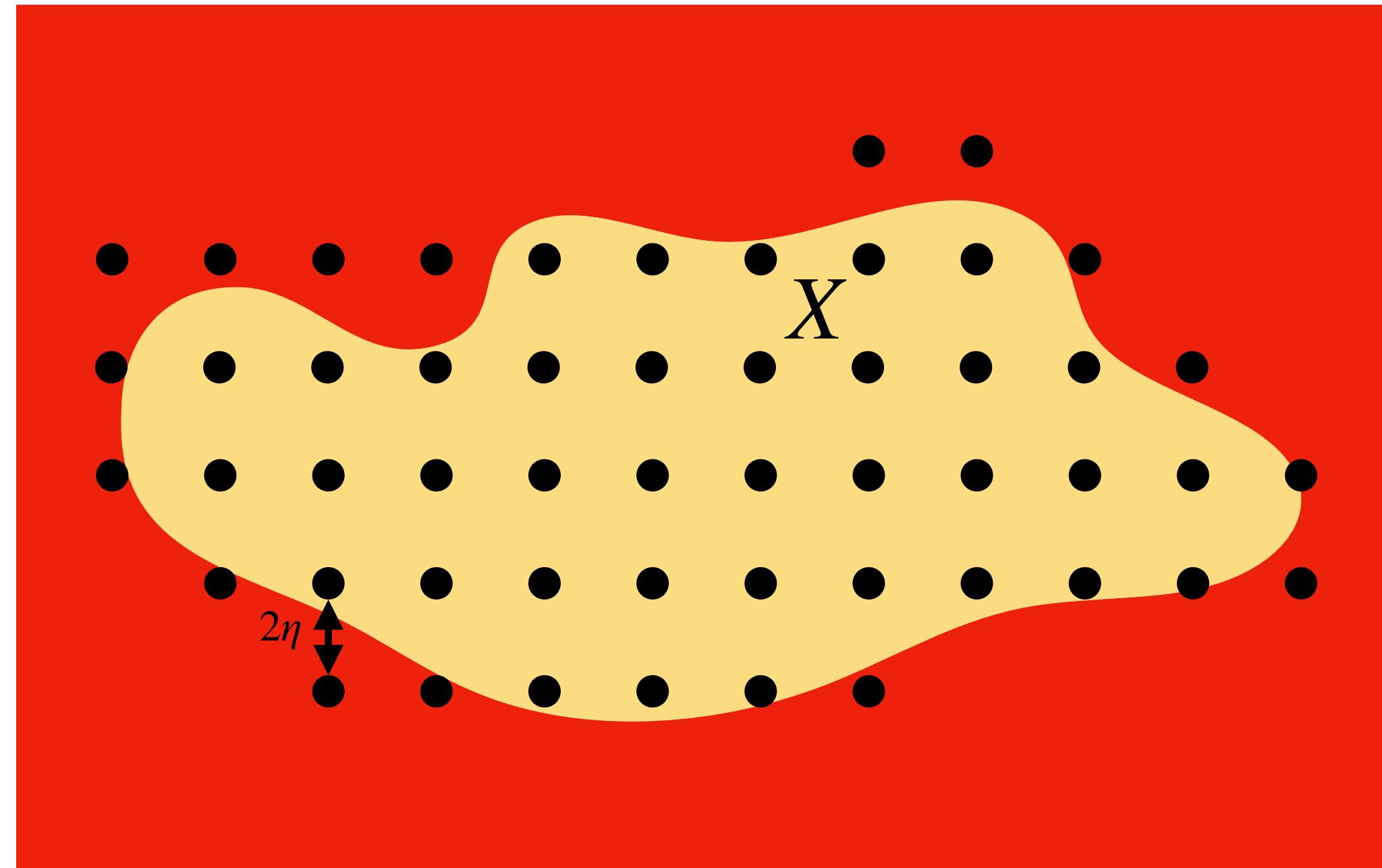
Data:

- Continuous-time non-deterministic system Σ
- Function $P : X \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(AP)$
- Right-recursive formula Φ
- Real $\nu > 0$

Output: controller C for Σ such that:

- **(Non-blocking)** every finite controlled run can be extended into an infinite one
- **(Valid)** every controlled trajectory σ satisfies Φ
- **(Self-triggered)** $\liminf_{h \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h} \sum_{i=0}^h \text{len}(u_i) \geq \nu$

Symbolic model: discretised states, inputs

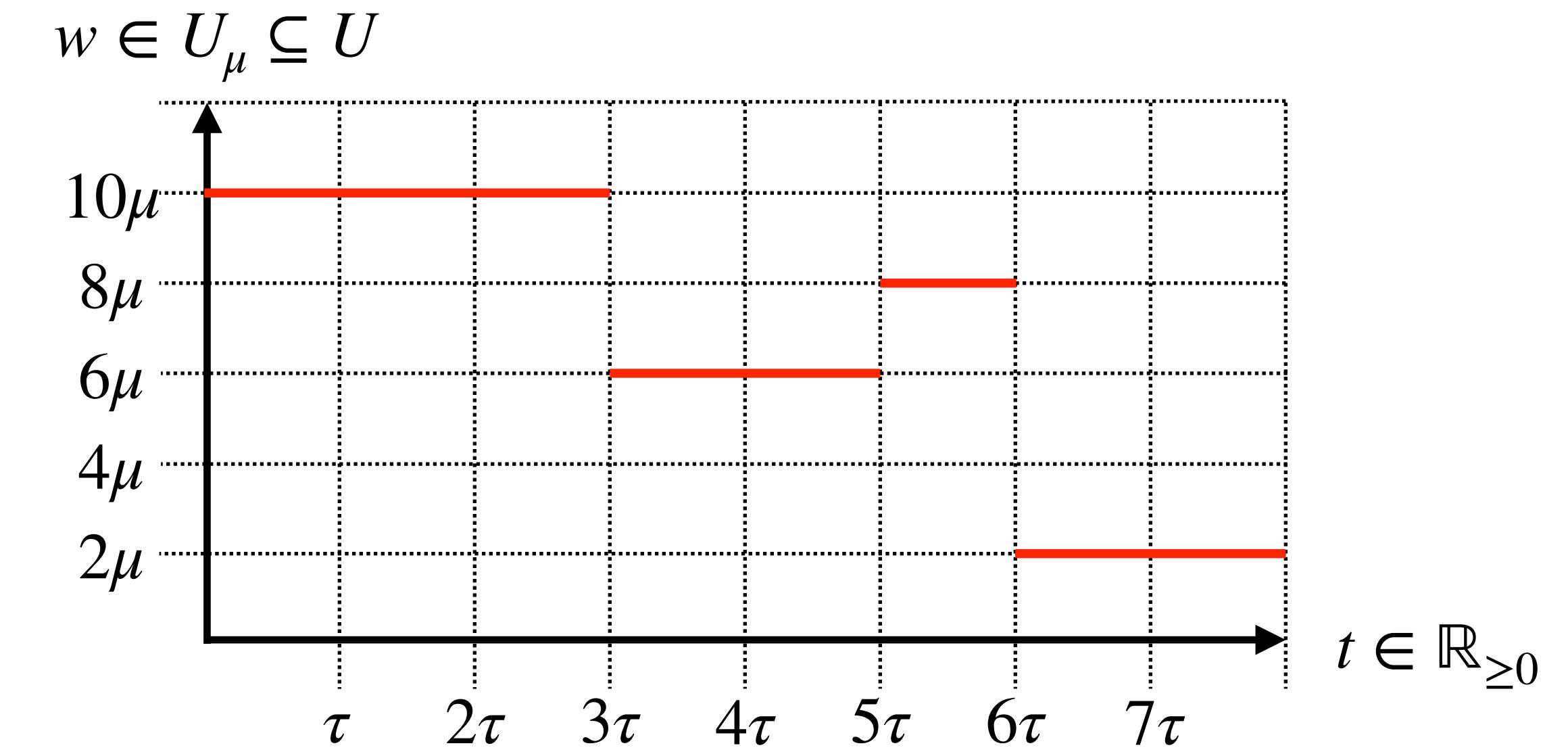


$$[X]_\eta = \{q \in (2\eta\mathbb{Z})^n \mid \mathcal{B}(q, \eta) \cap X \neq \emptyset\}$$

Discretised states

$$U_\mu = \{w \in (2\mu\mathbb{Z})^m \mid w \in U\}$$

Discretised input values



$$\mathcal{U}_{\tau, \mu} \subseteq \mathcal{U} \text{ piecewise constant in } U_\mu$$

Discretised input signals

Symbolic model: transitions

Transitions: $\delta \subseteq [X]_\eta \times \mathcal{U}_{\tau,\mu} \times [X]_\eta$

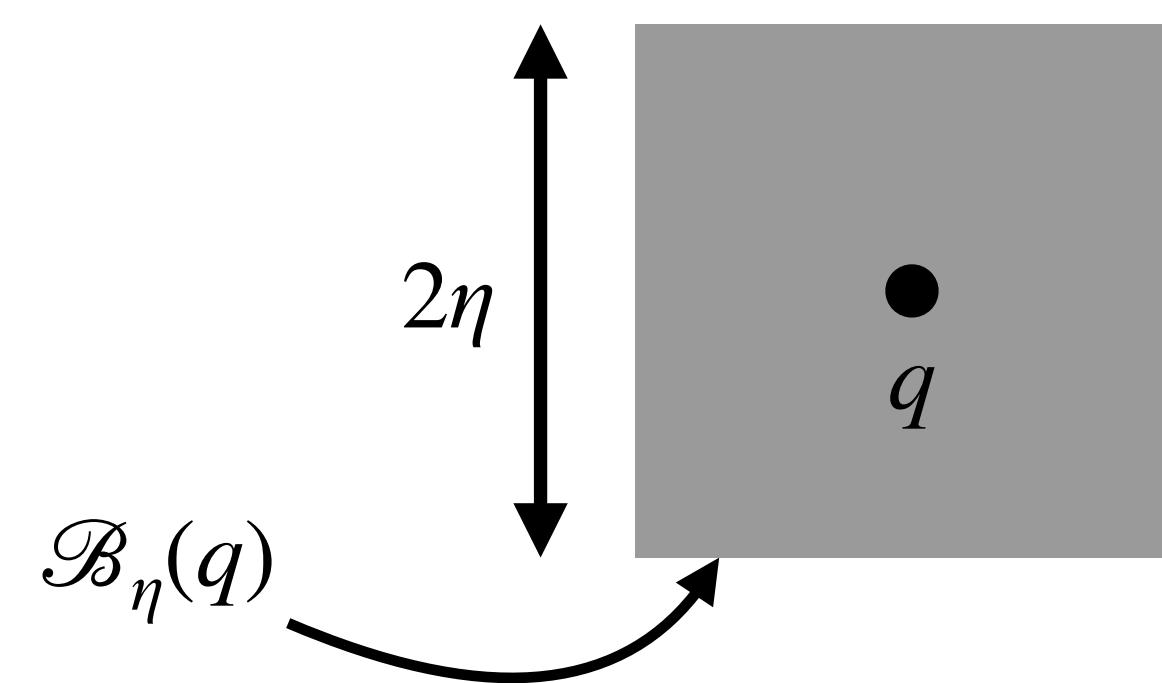
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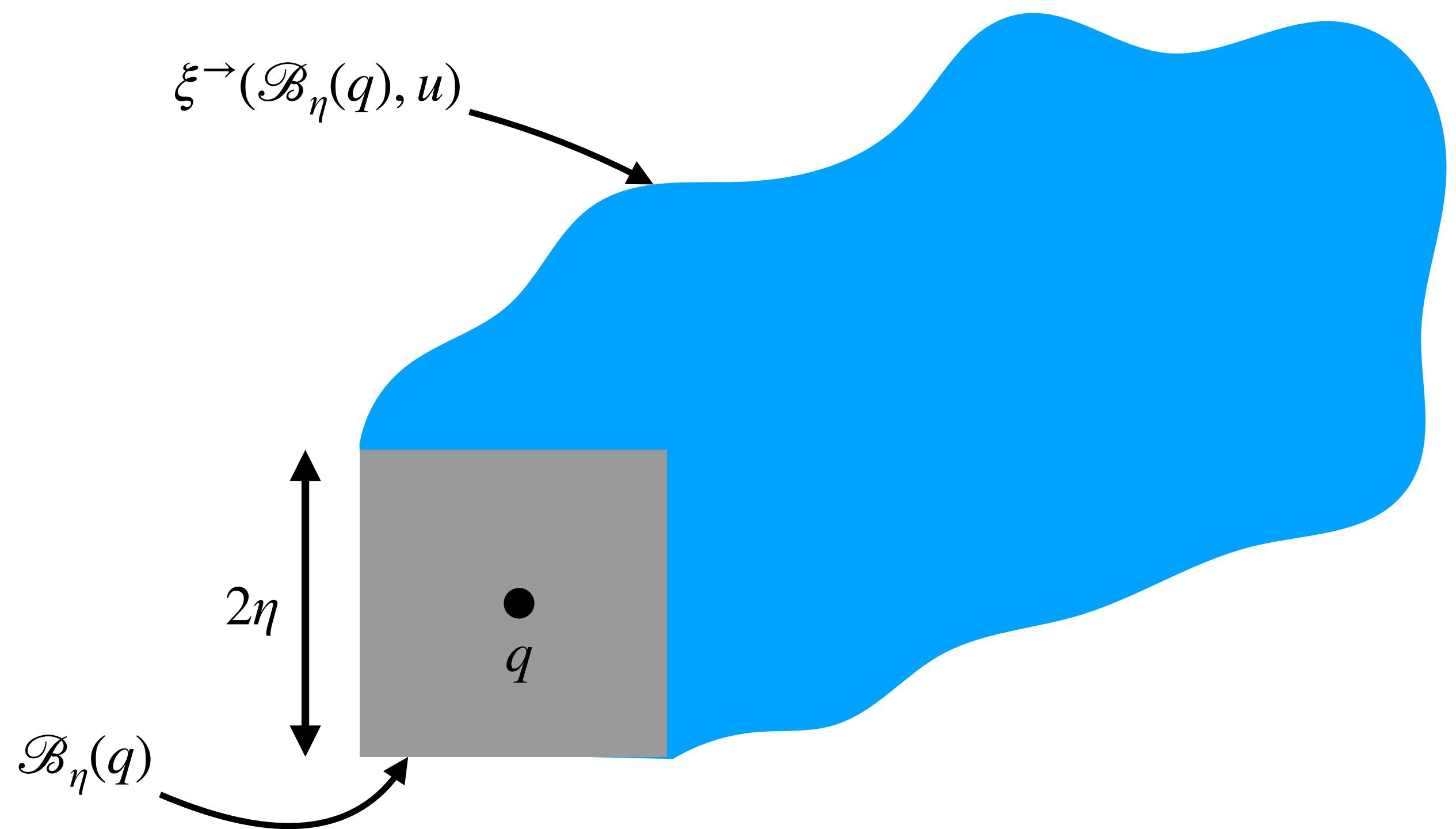
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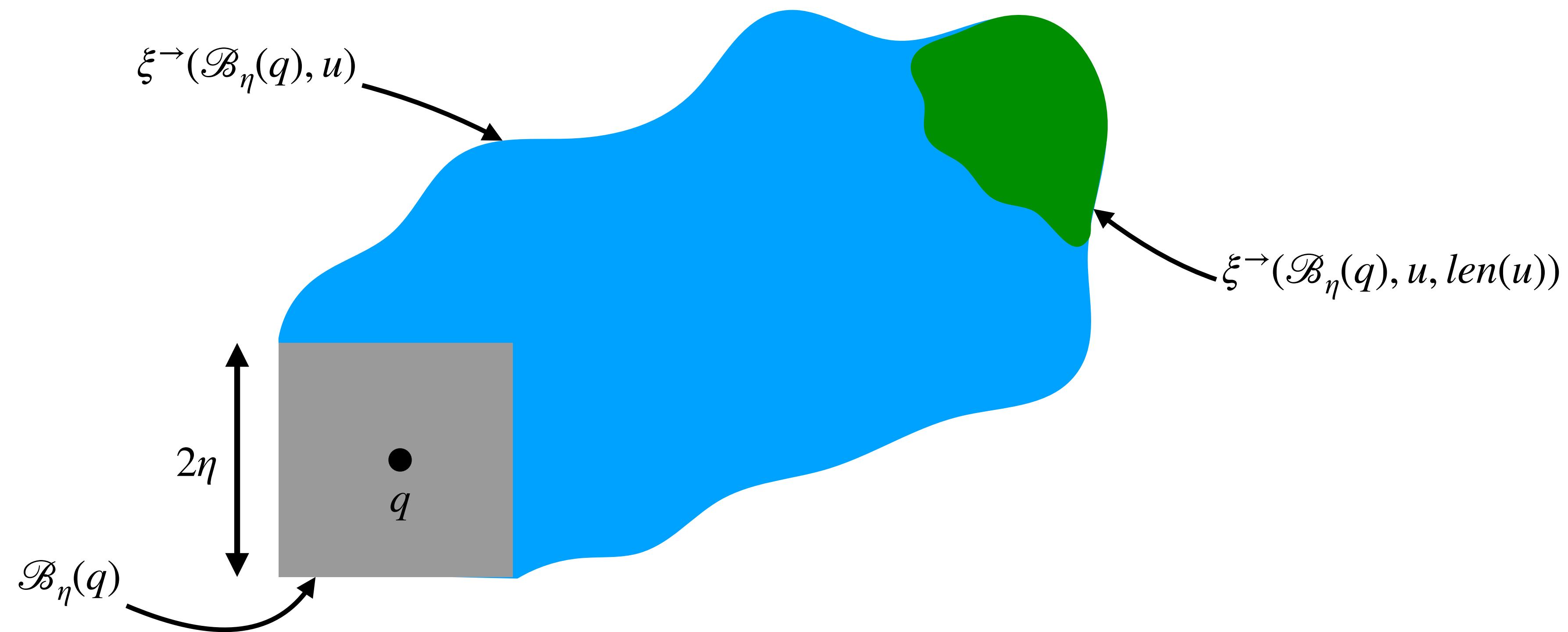
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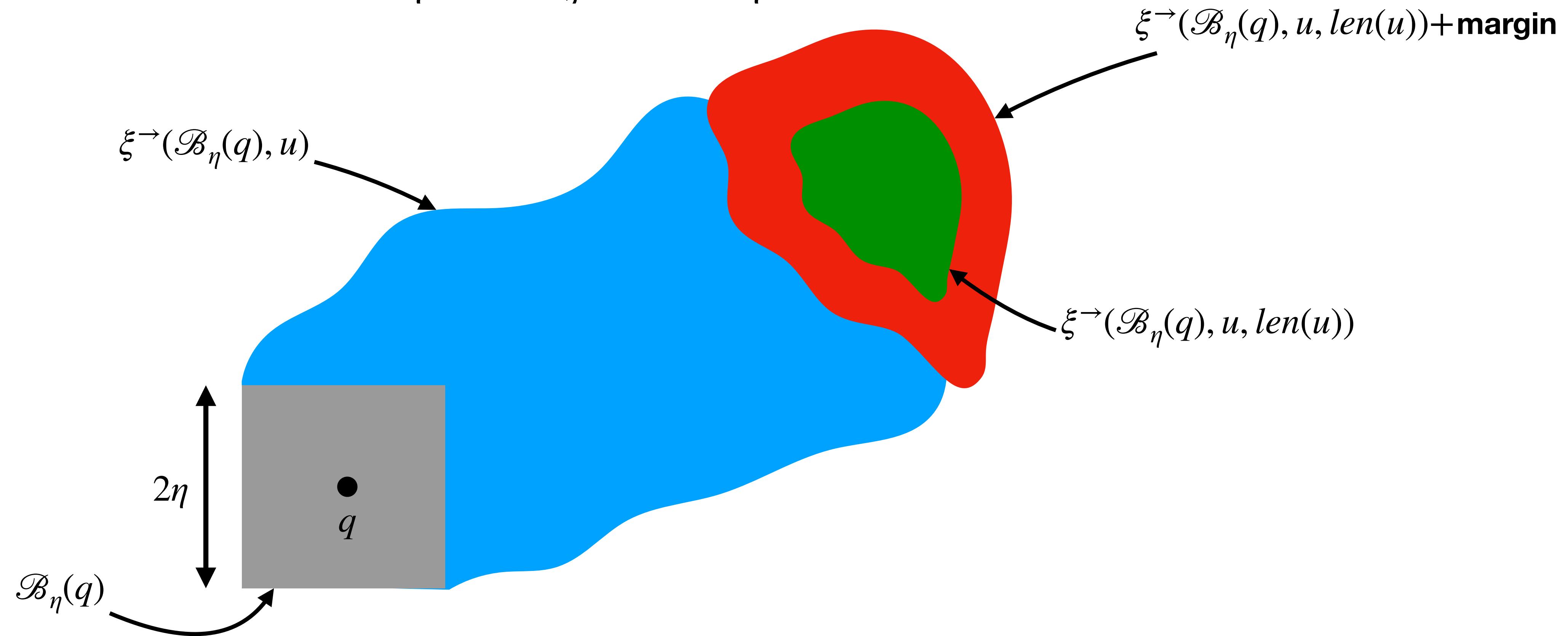
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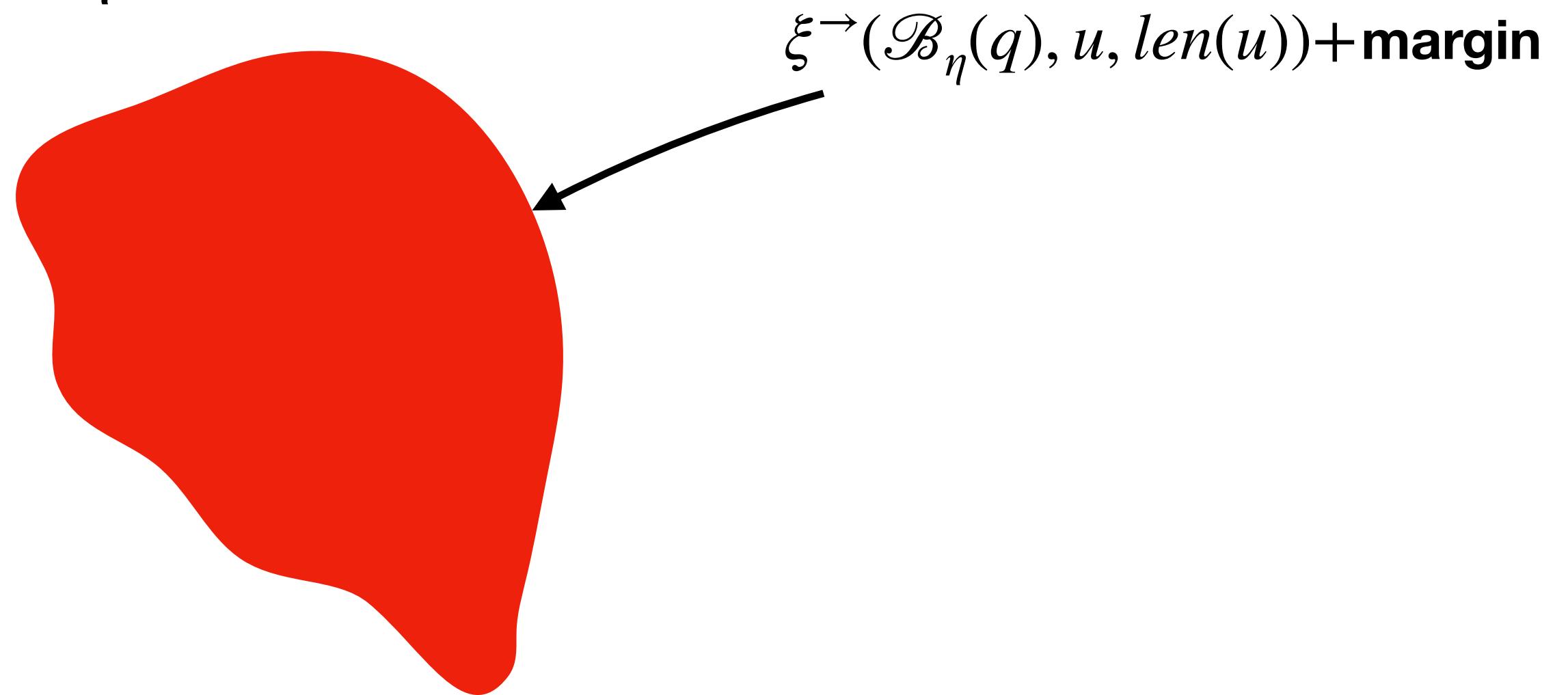
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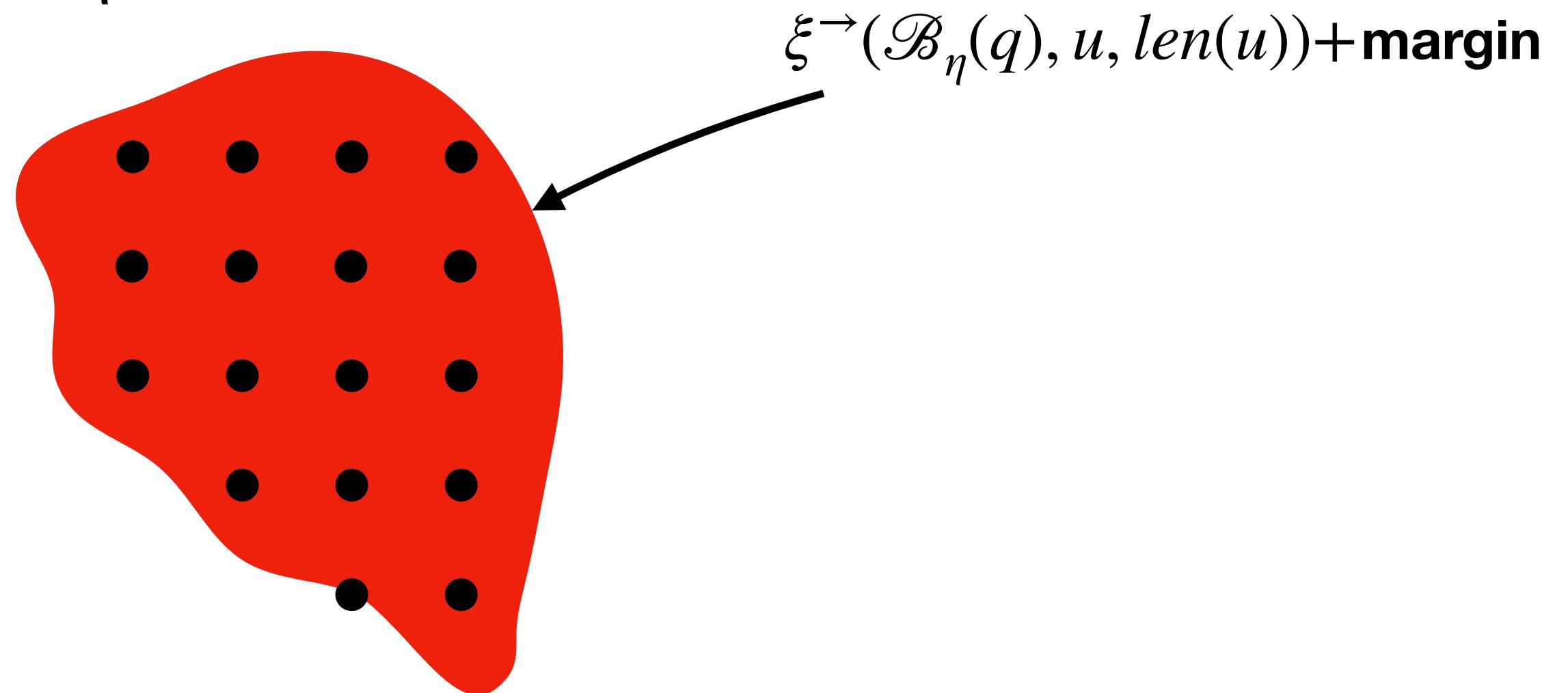
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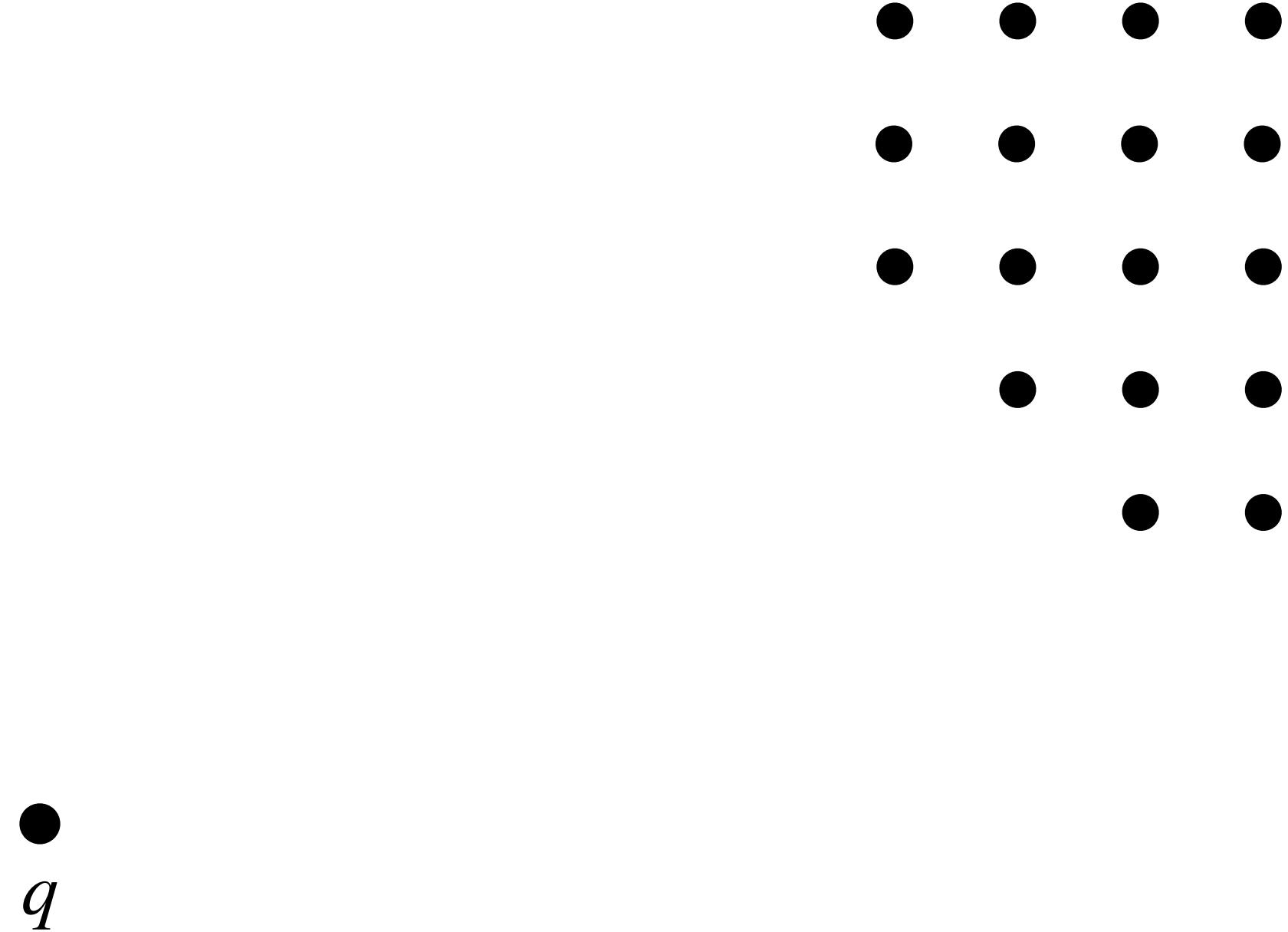
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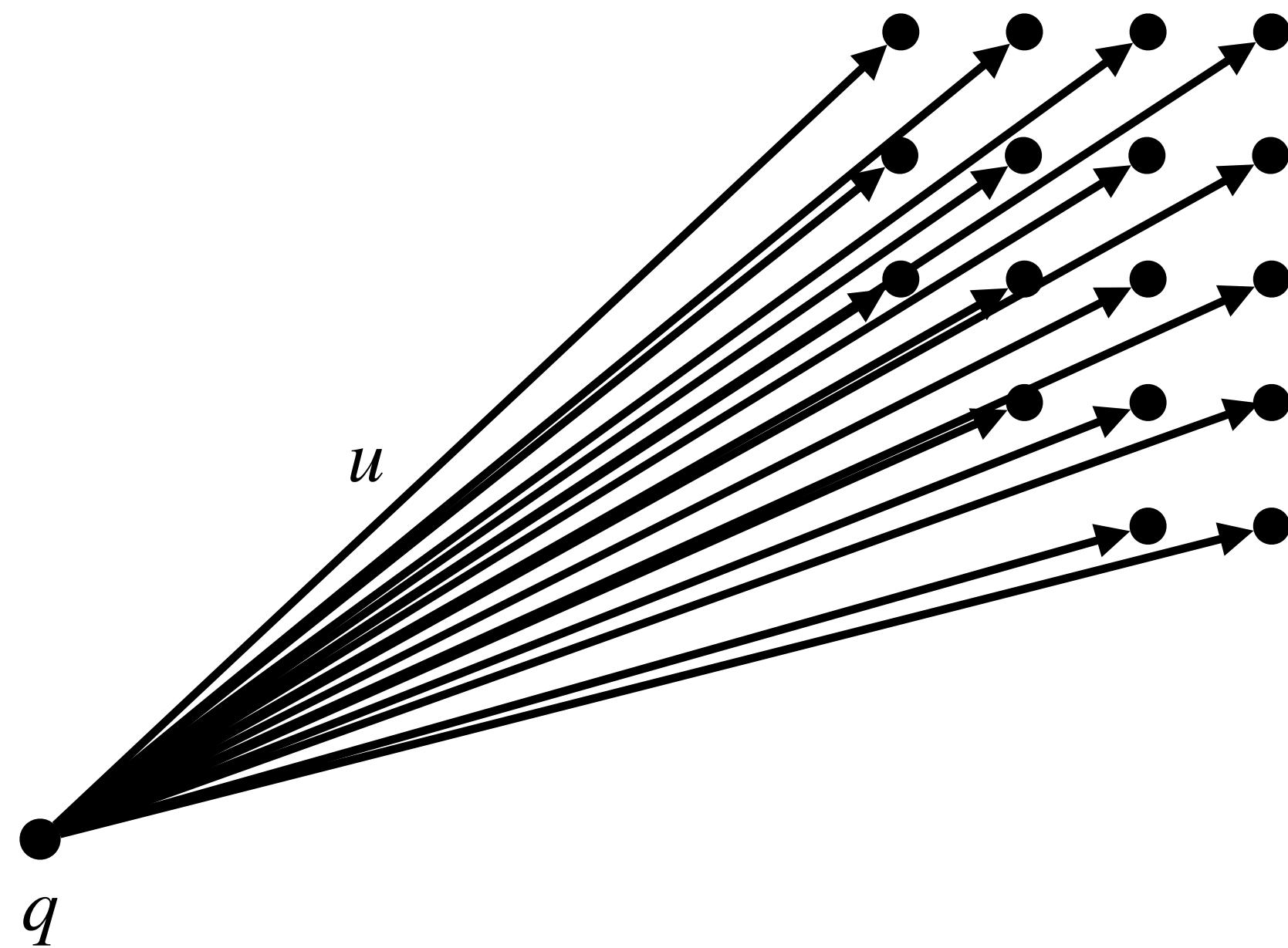
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Soundness of the discretisation

Under some assumptions (existence of β)

Assume given a controller \widetilde{C} for the symbolic model.

We can construct a controller C for the system as follows:

- Given a finite run $x_0 u_0 x_1 \dots x_i$ of the system such that u_i is discretised, we can build a finite run $q_0 u_0 \dots q_i$ of the symbolic model with q_i “close” to x_i
- Define $C(x_0 u_0 \dots x_i) = \widetilde{C}(q_0 u_0 \dots q_i)$

Key argument: alternating simulation

Given:

- two transition models $M_1 = (Q_1, Q_{1,\text{init}}, \mathcal{V}, \Delta_1)$, $M_2 = (Q_2, Q_{2,\text{init}}, \mathcal{V}, \Delta_2)$,
- a function $d : Q_1 \times Q_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ (not necessarily a metric),
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Any controller in M_2 can be
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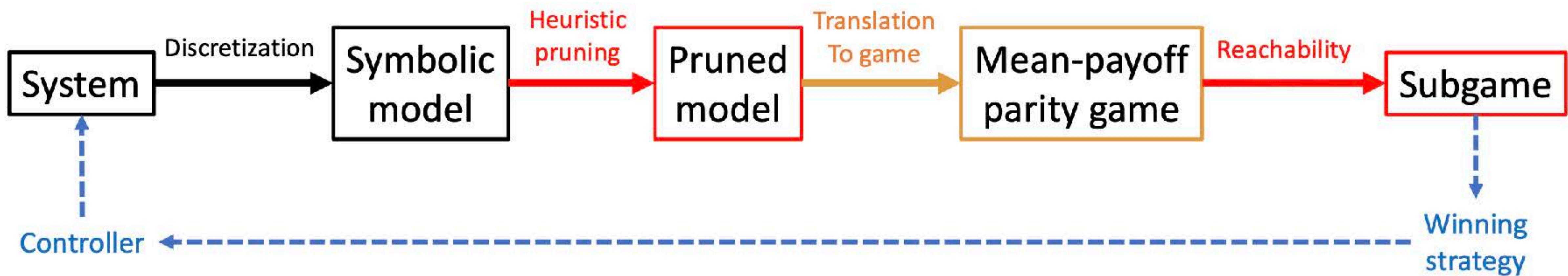
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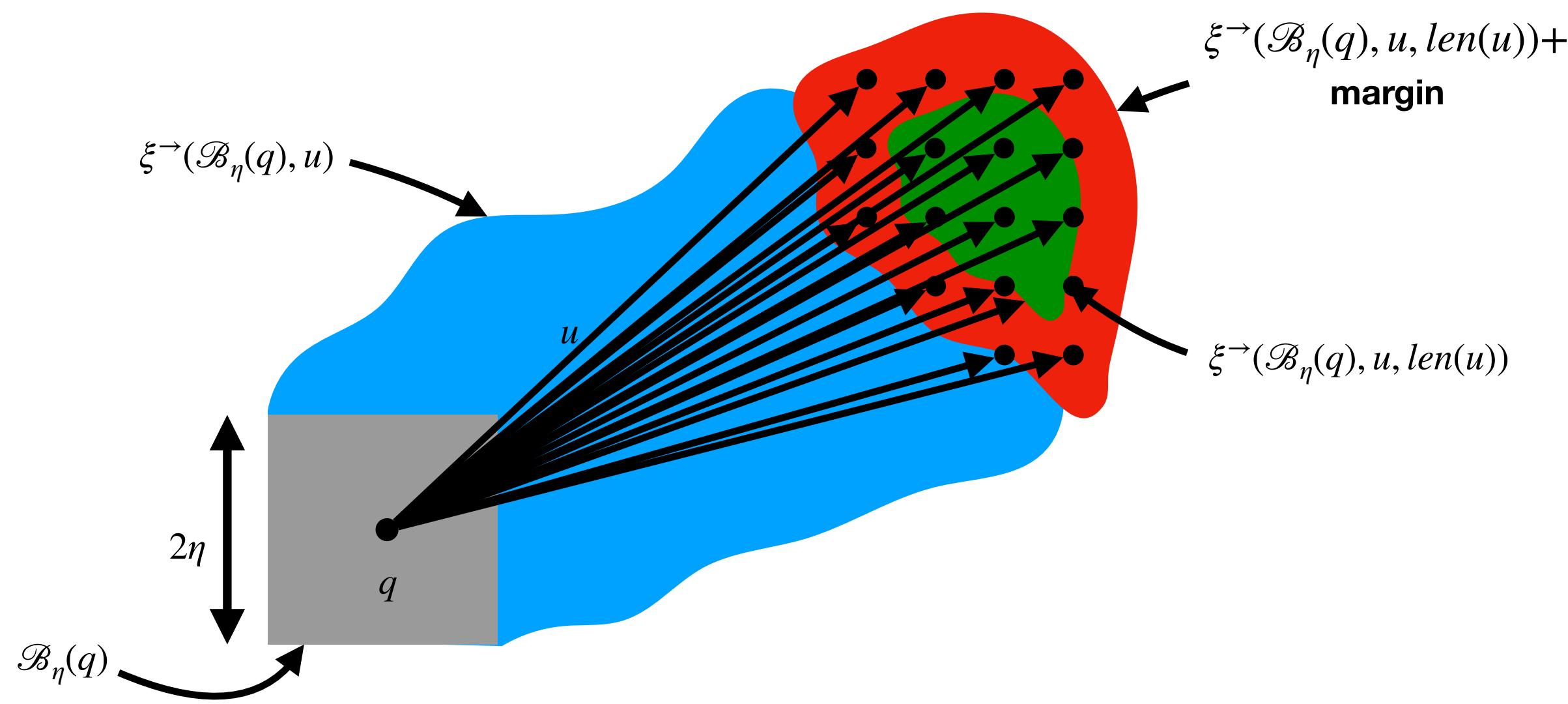
Theorem:

**If the function β exists, then by taking $d(x, q) = \|x - q\|$,
the system Σ alternating η -approximately simulate the symbolic model.**

Overview of the method

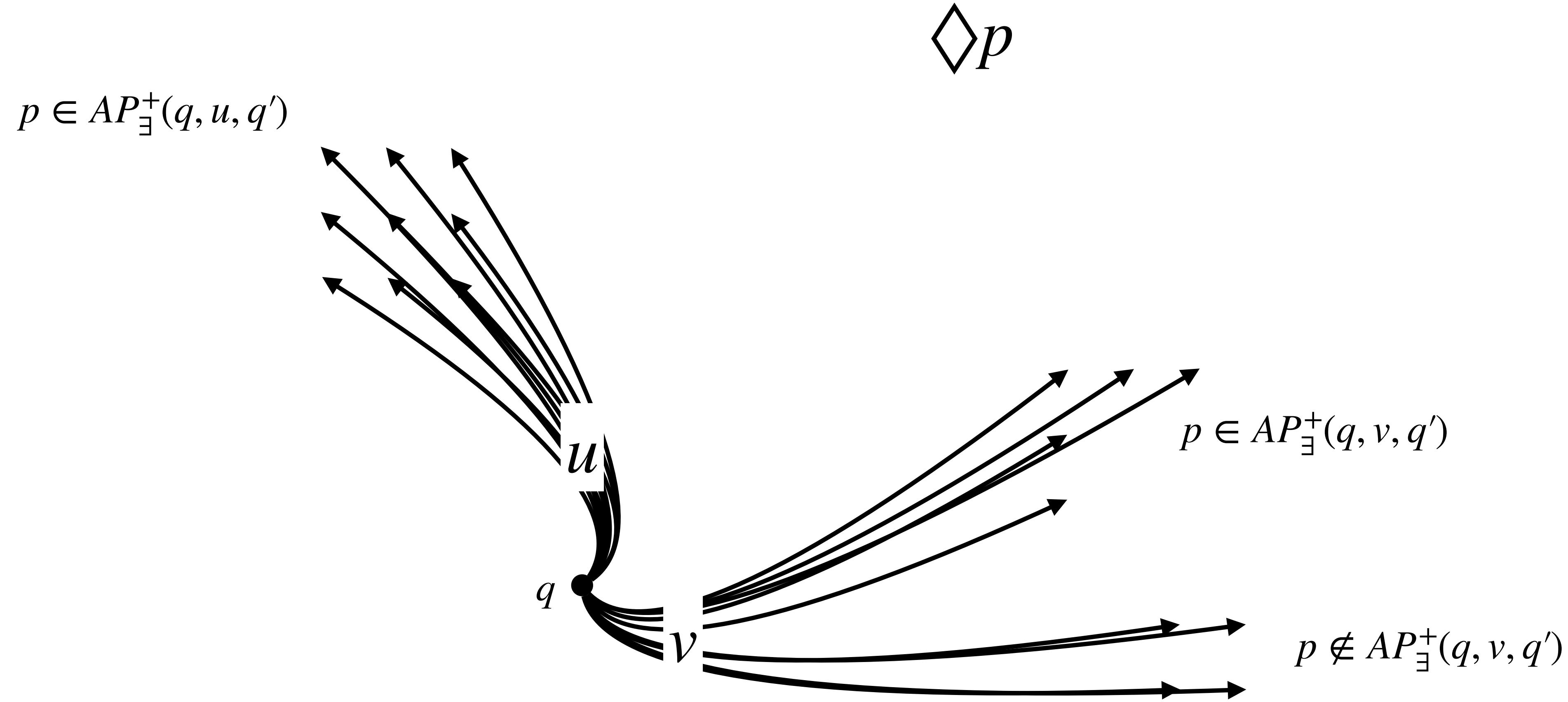


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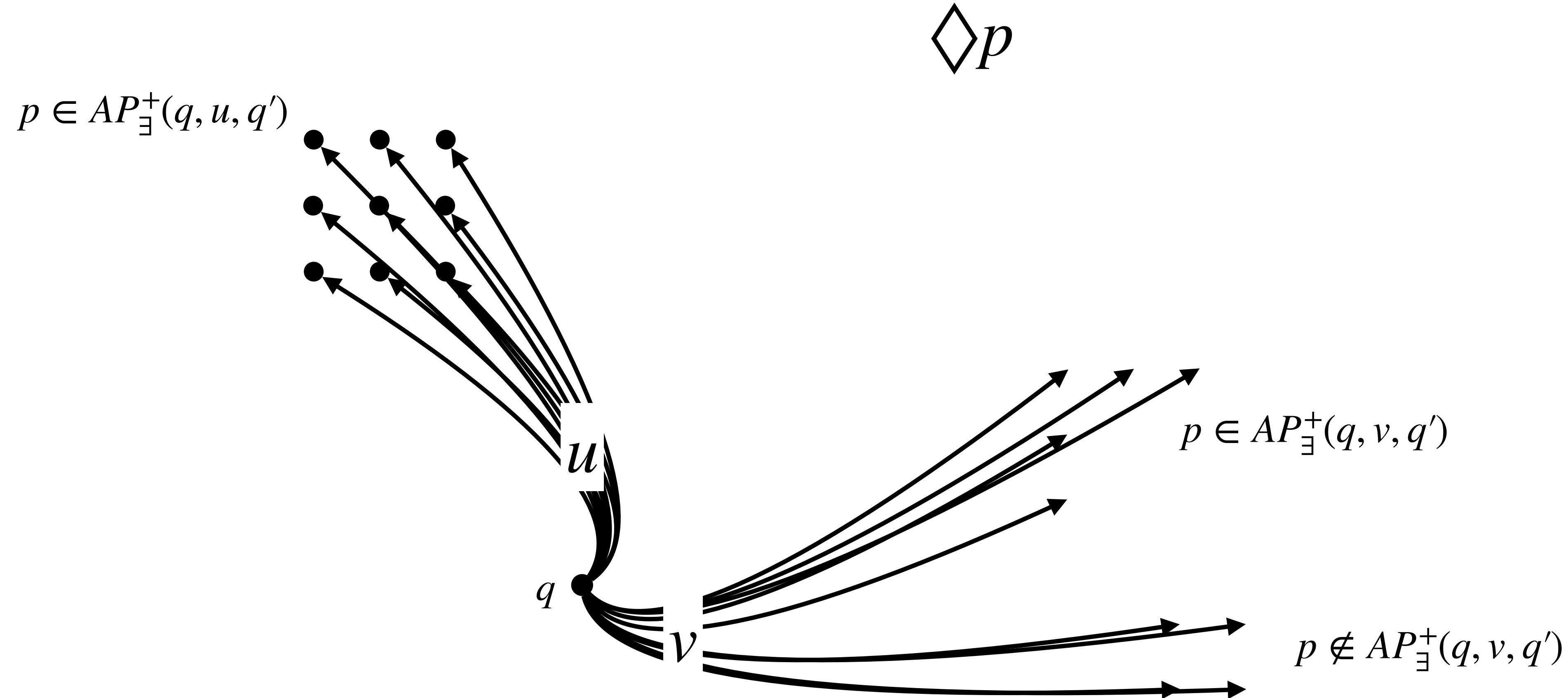


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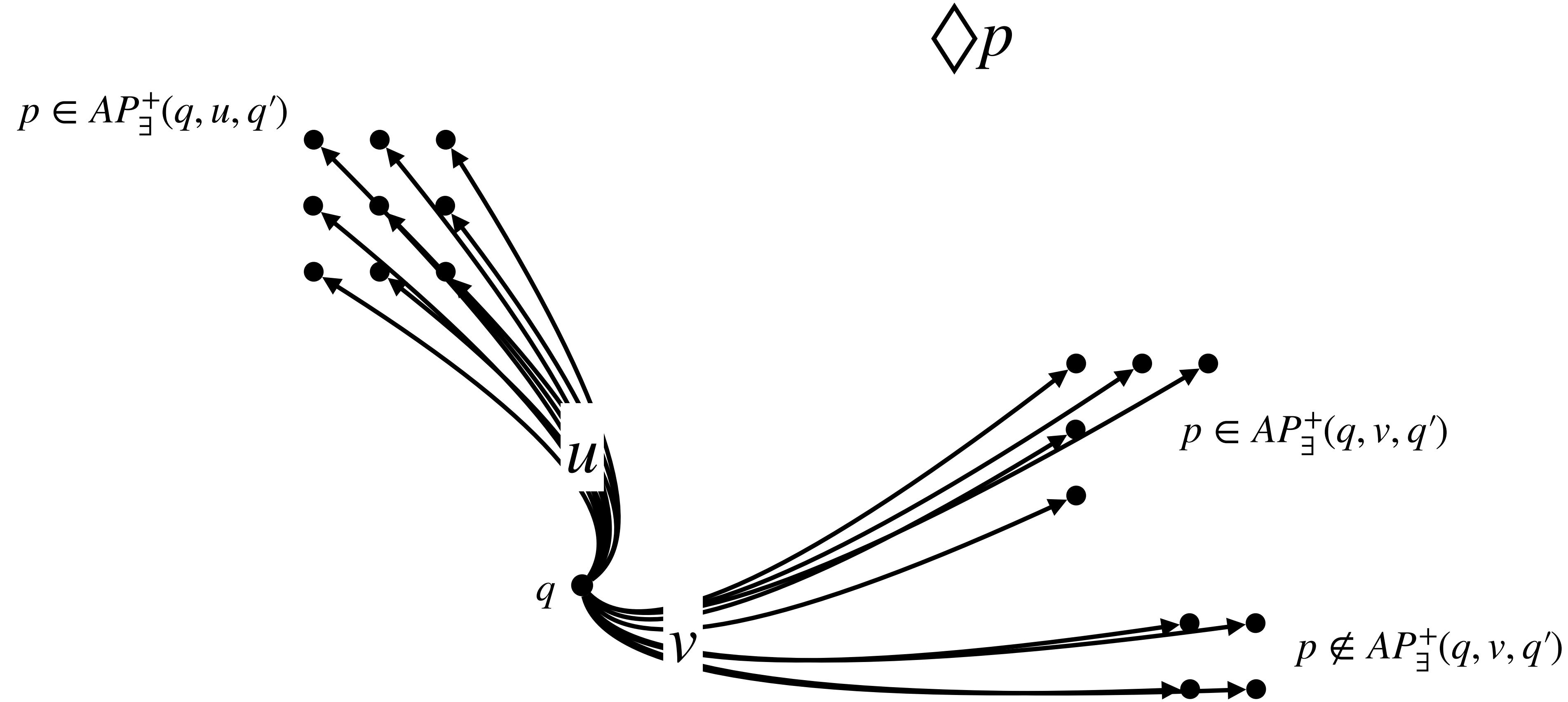
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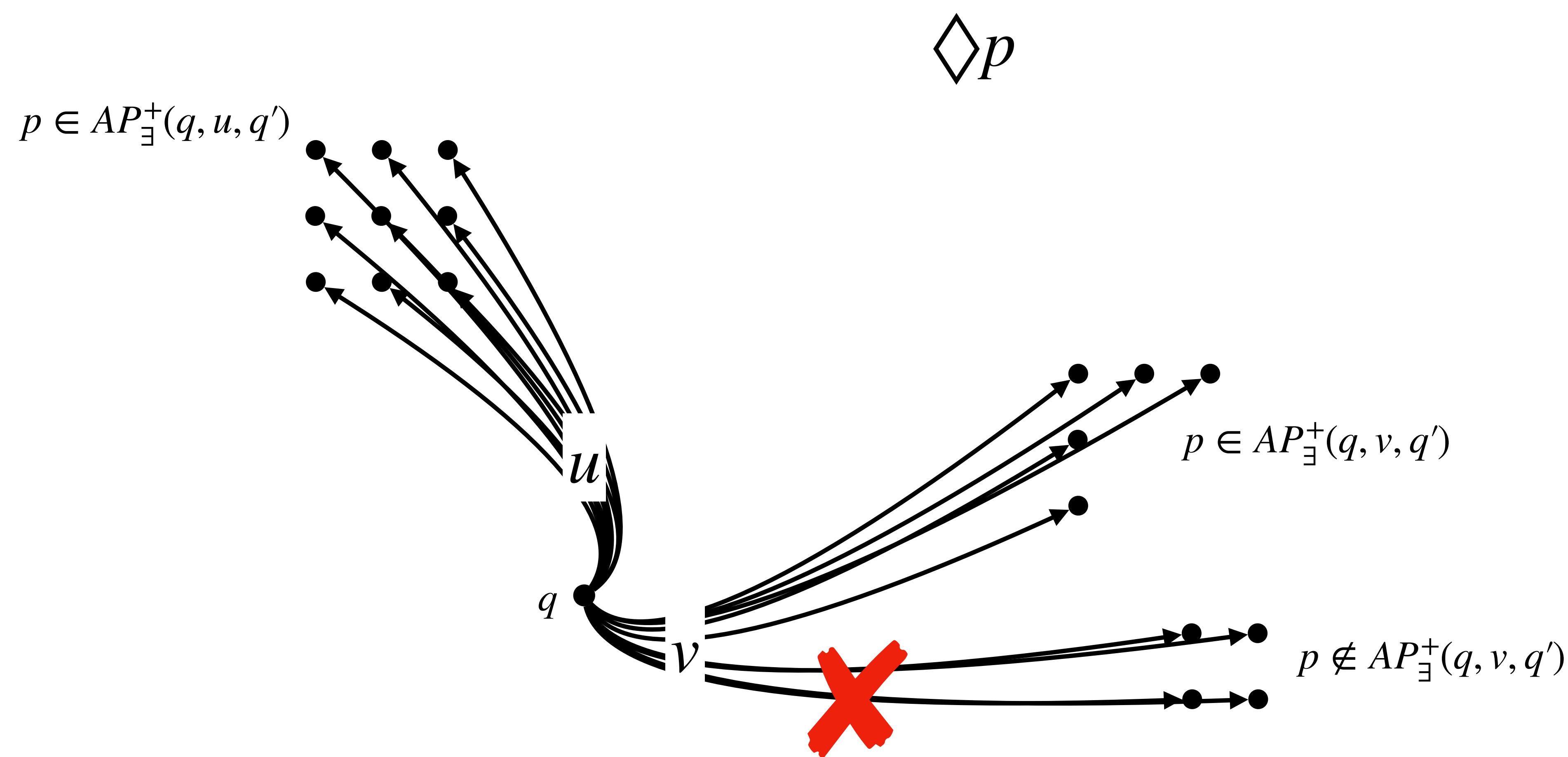
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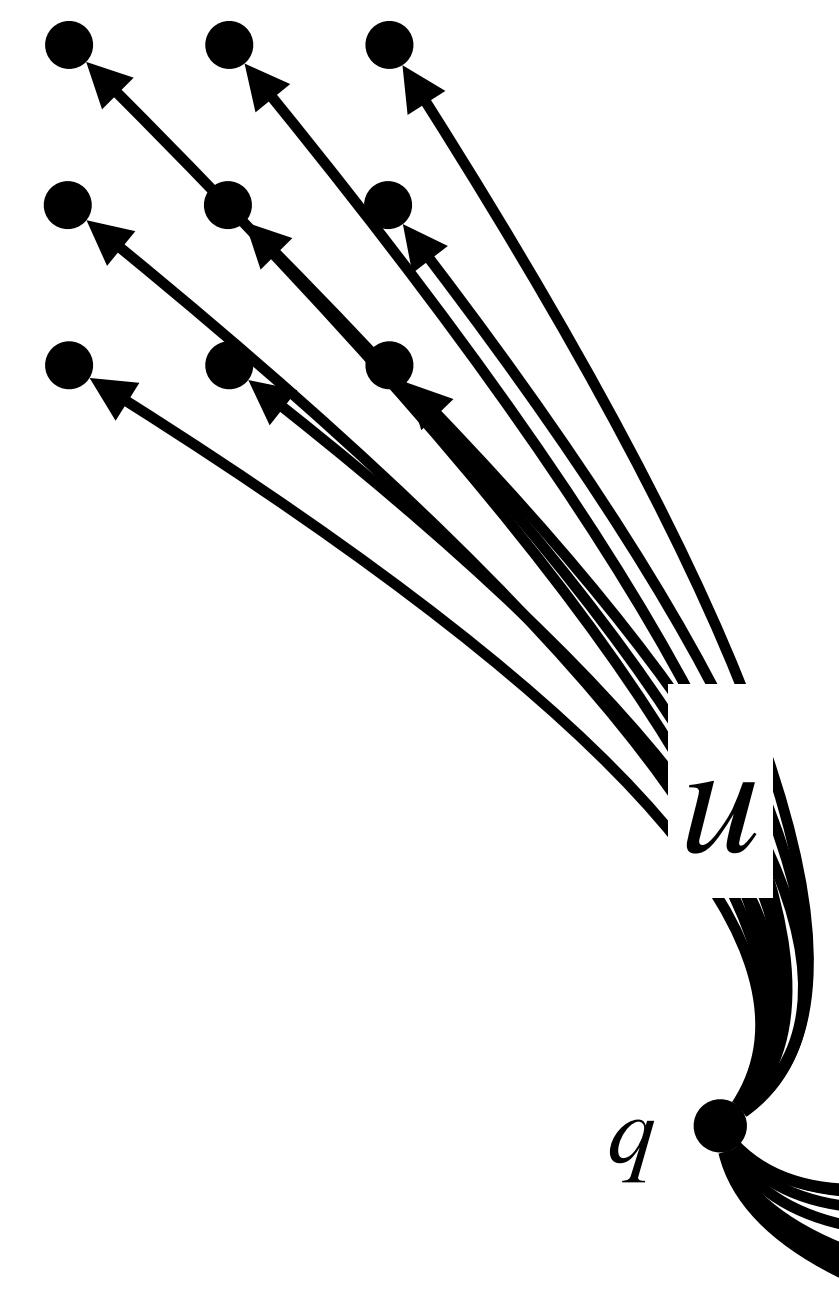


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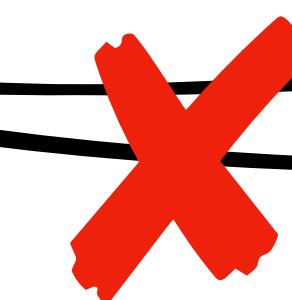


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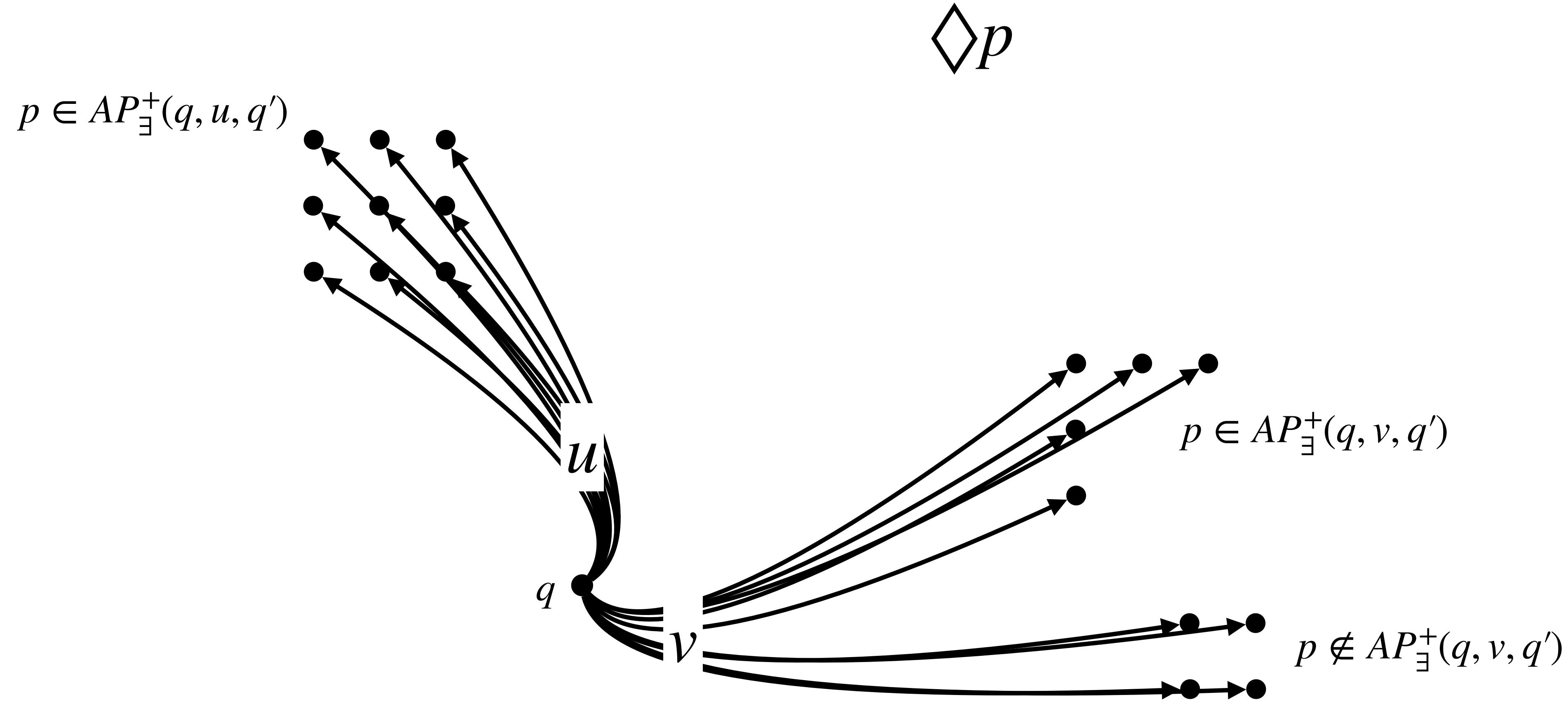
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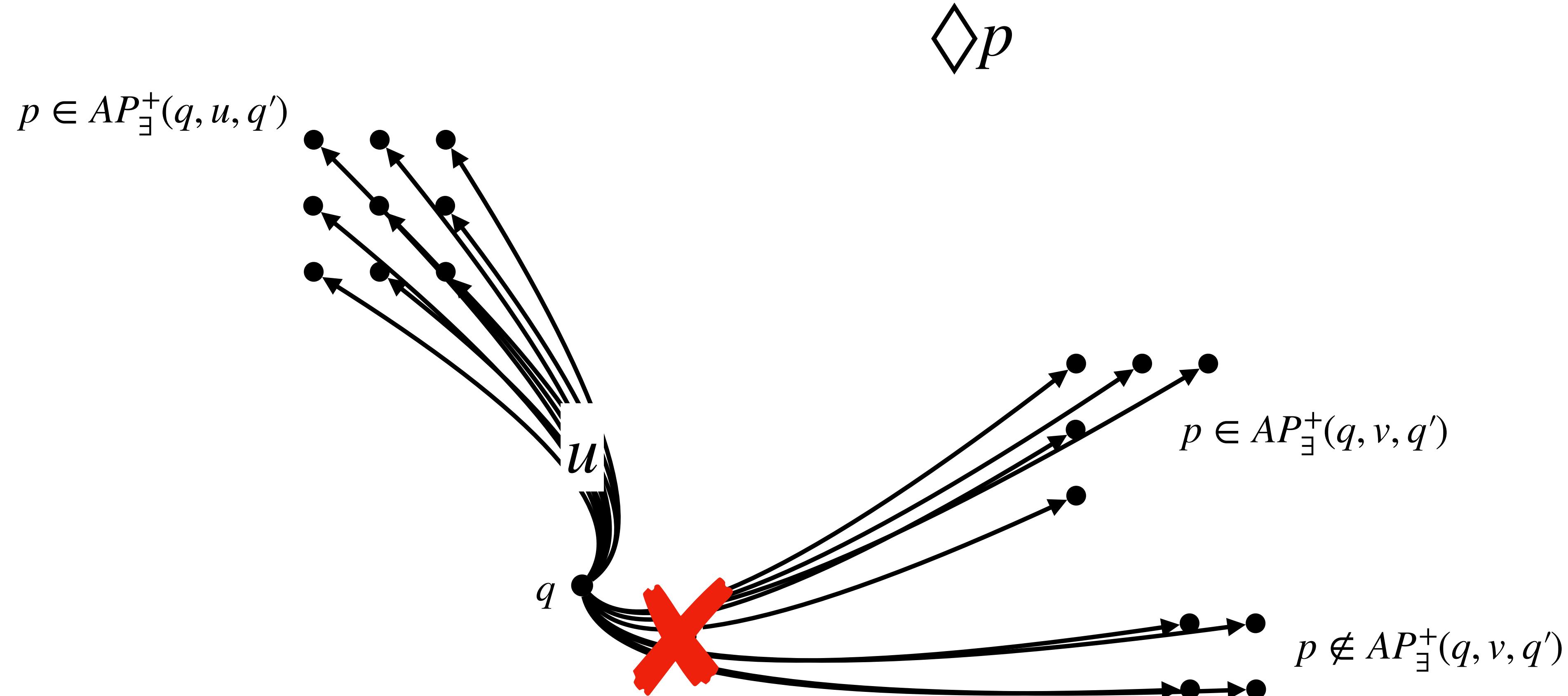
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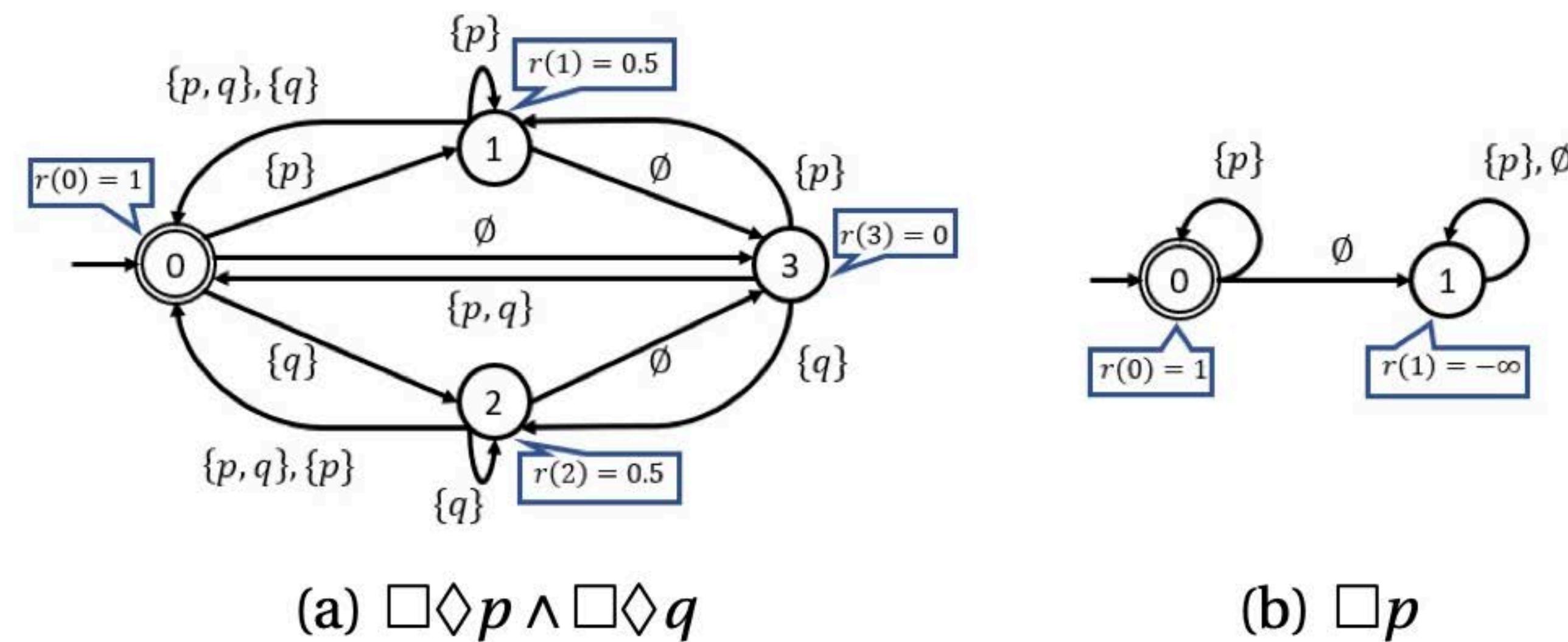
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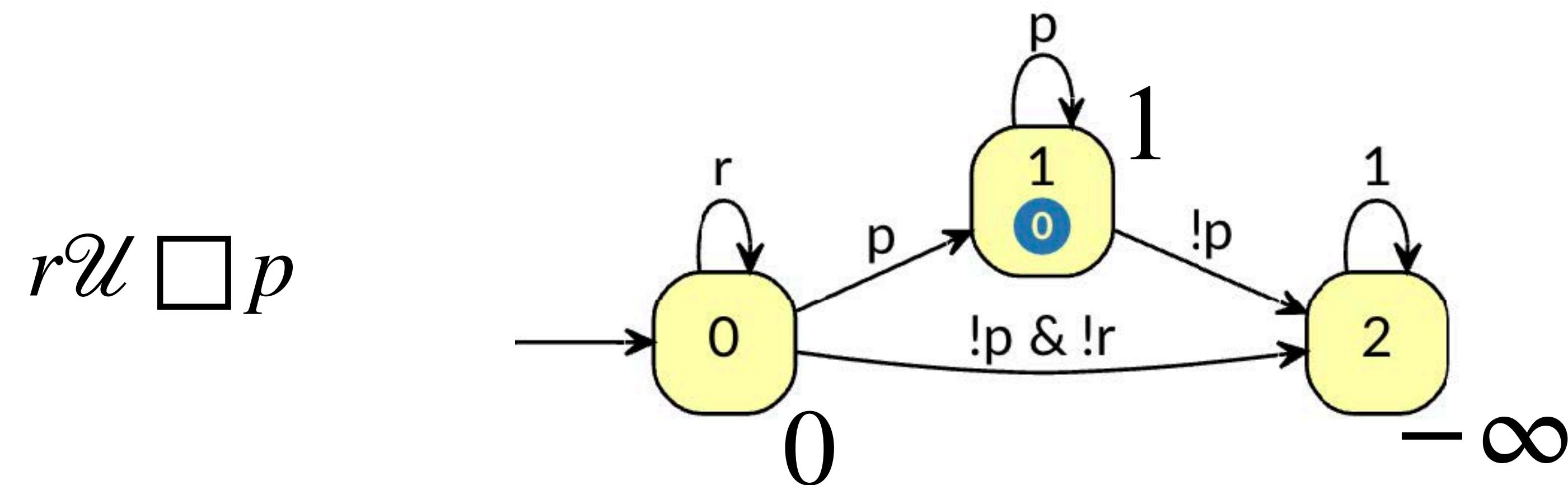
Idea:

- we translate Φ into a Büchi automaton with reward
- we cut some paths that do not maximise the reward

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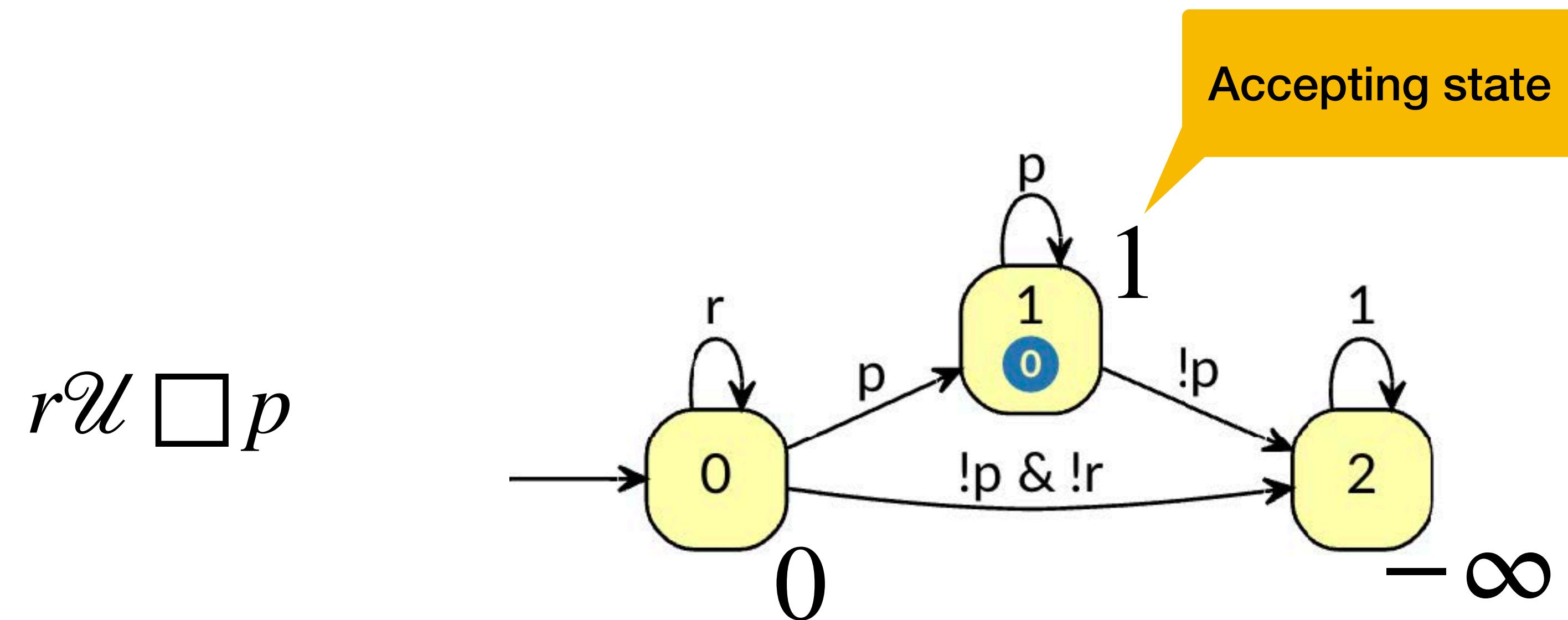
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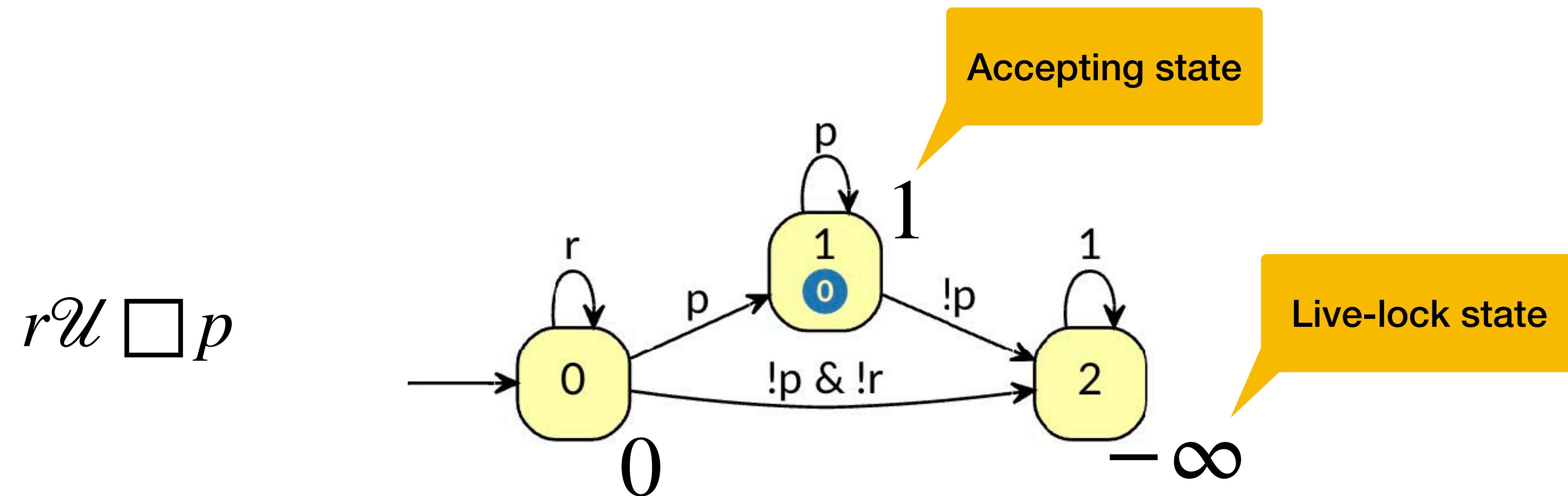
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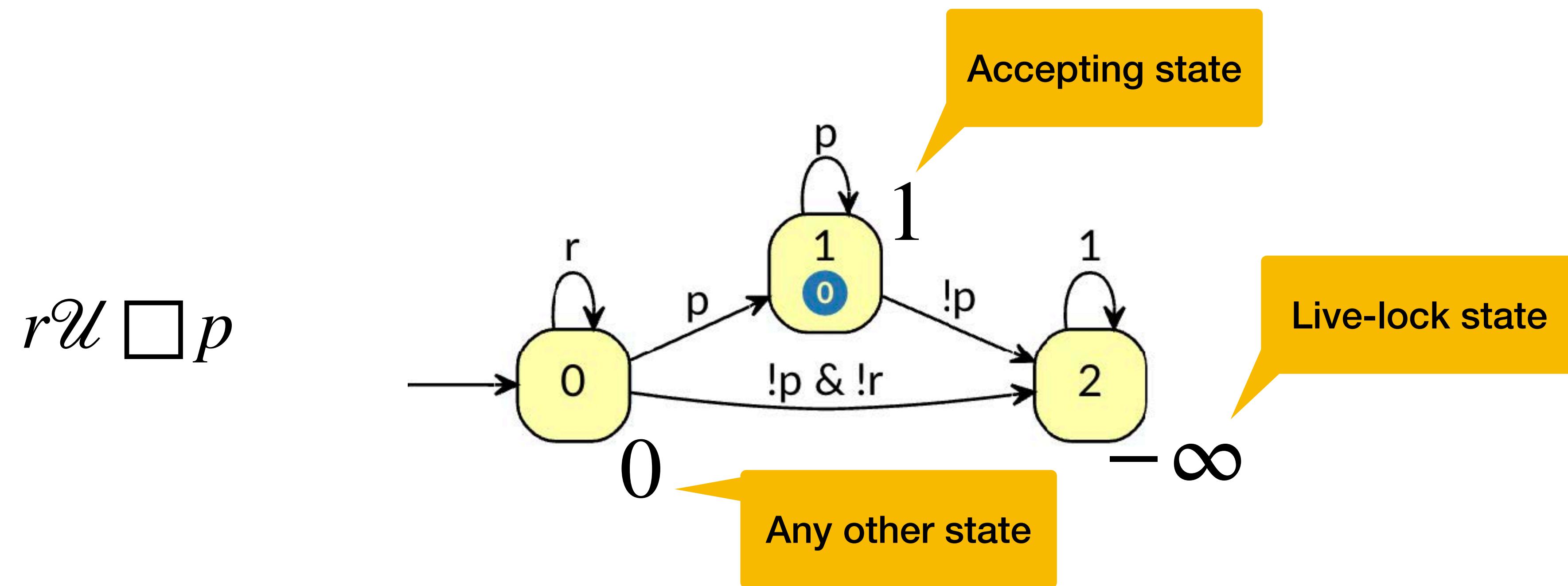
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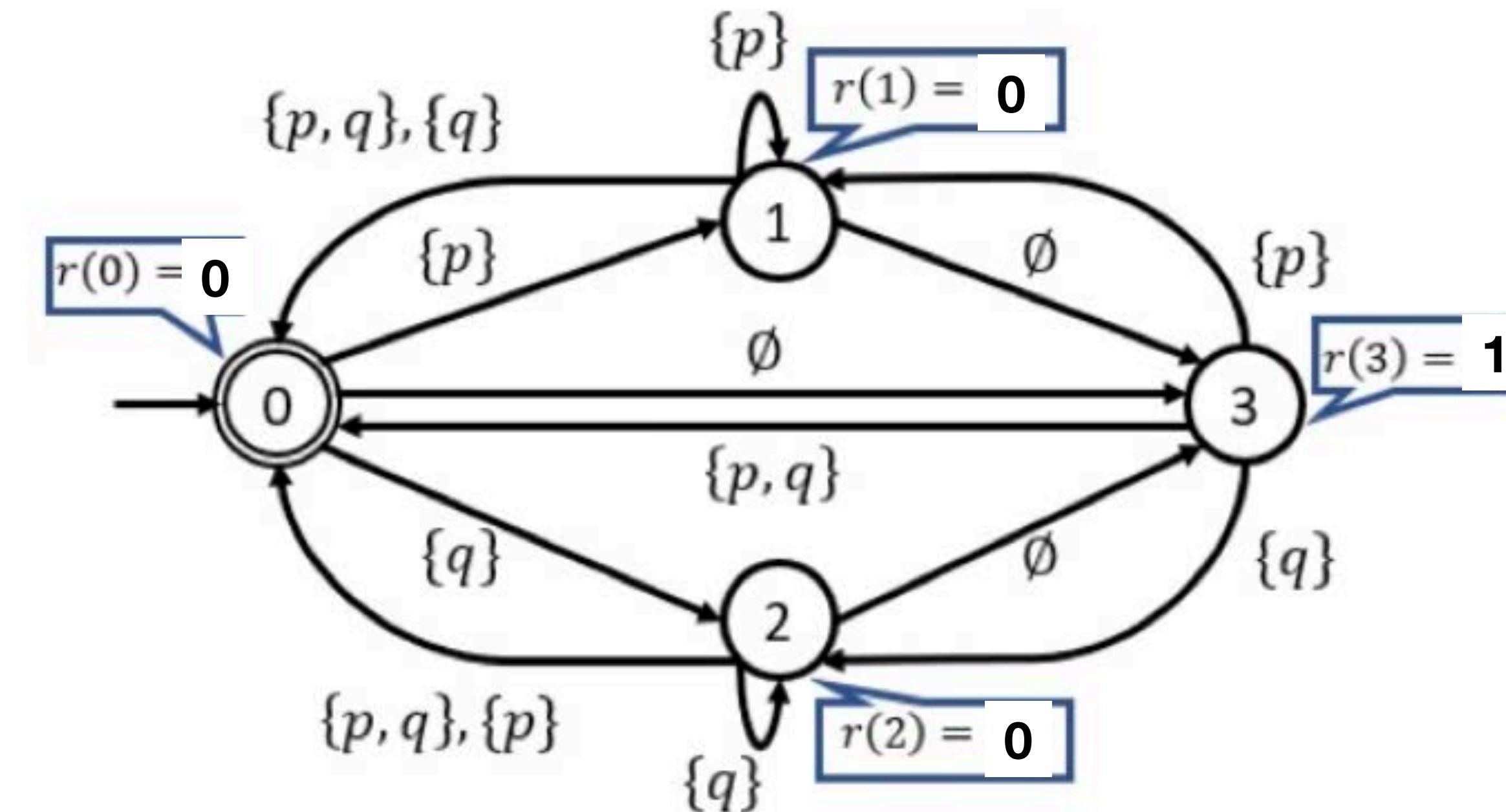
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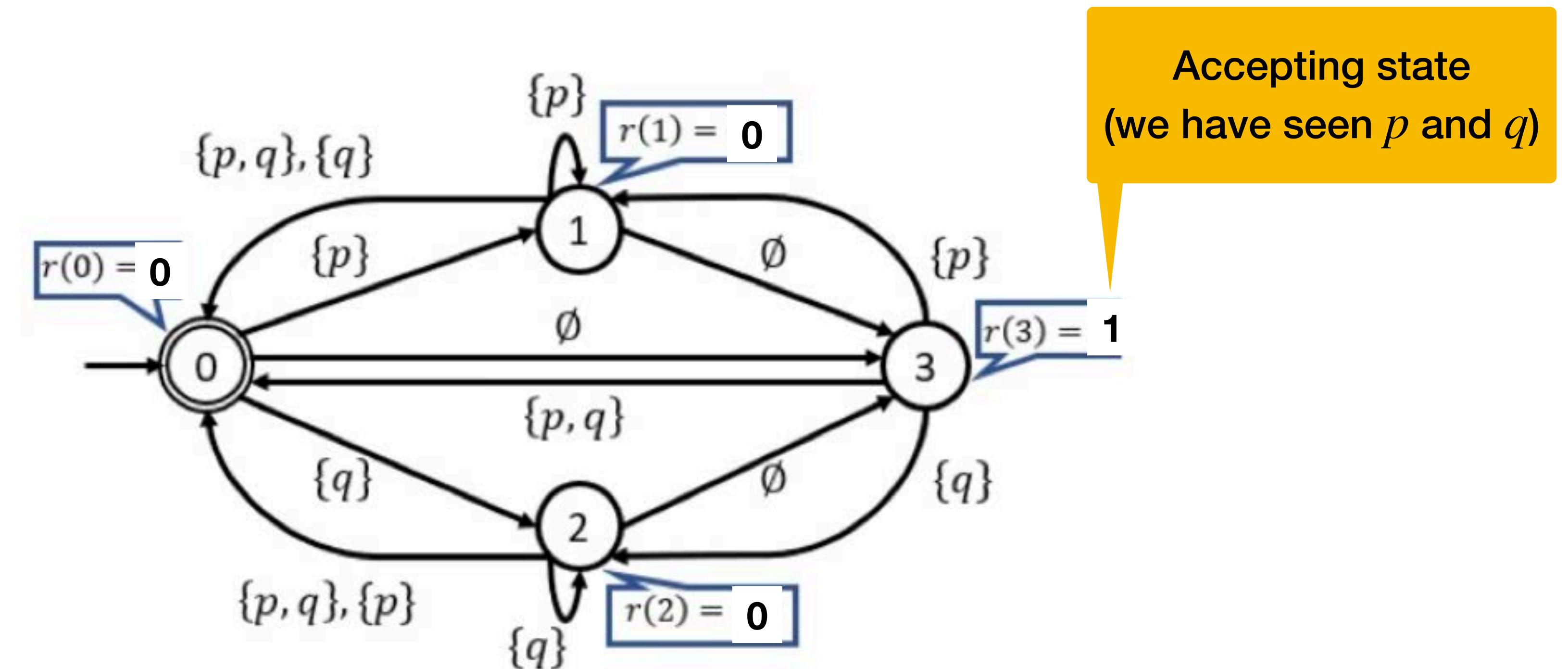
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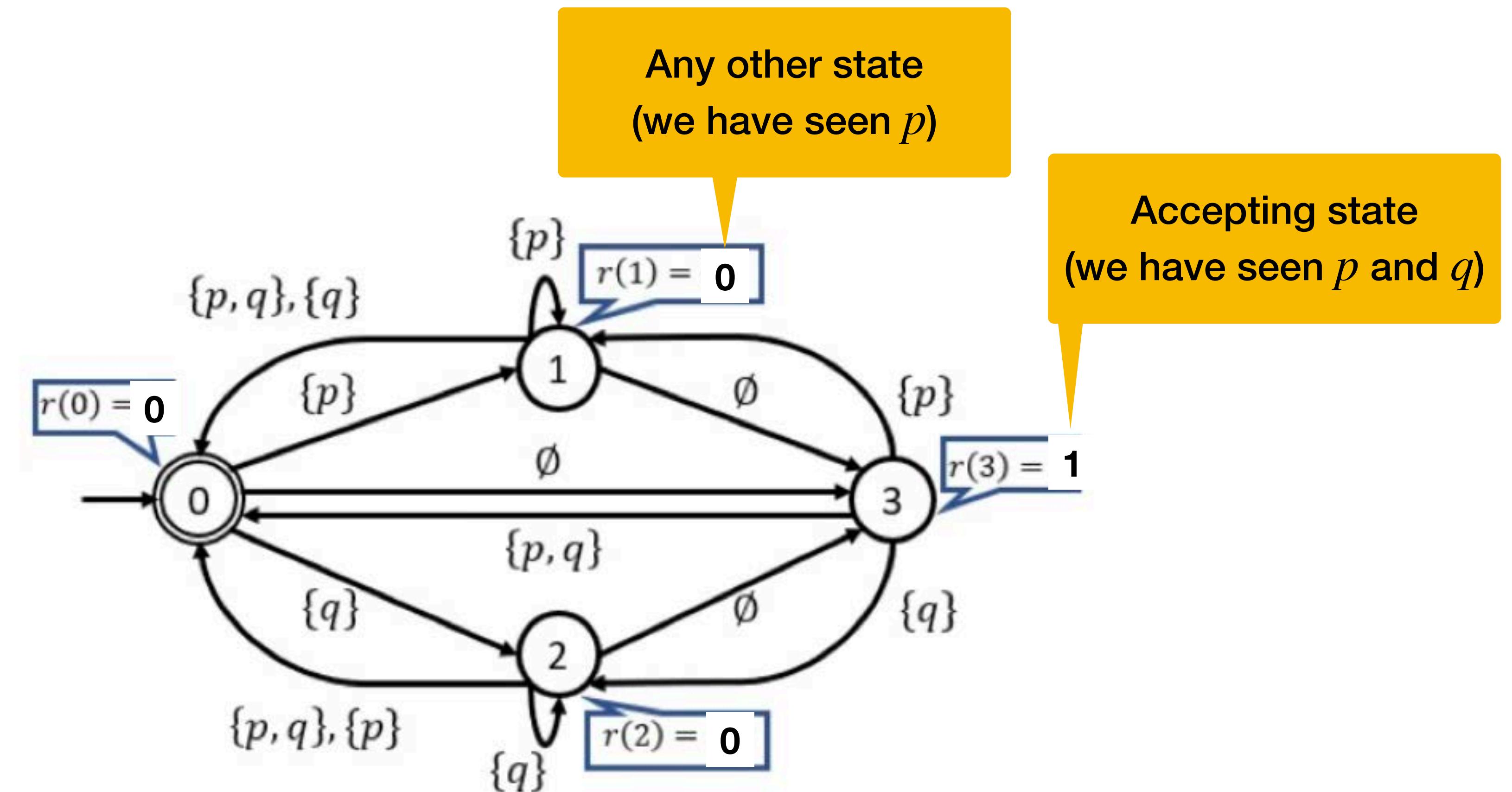
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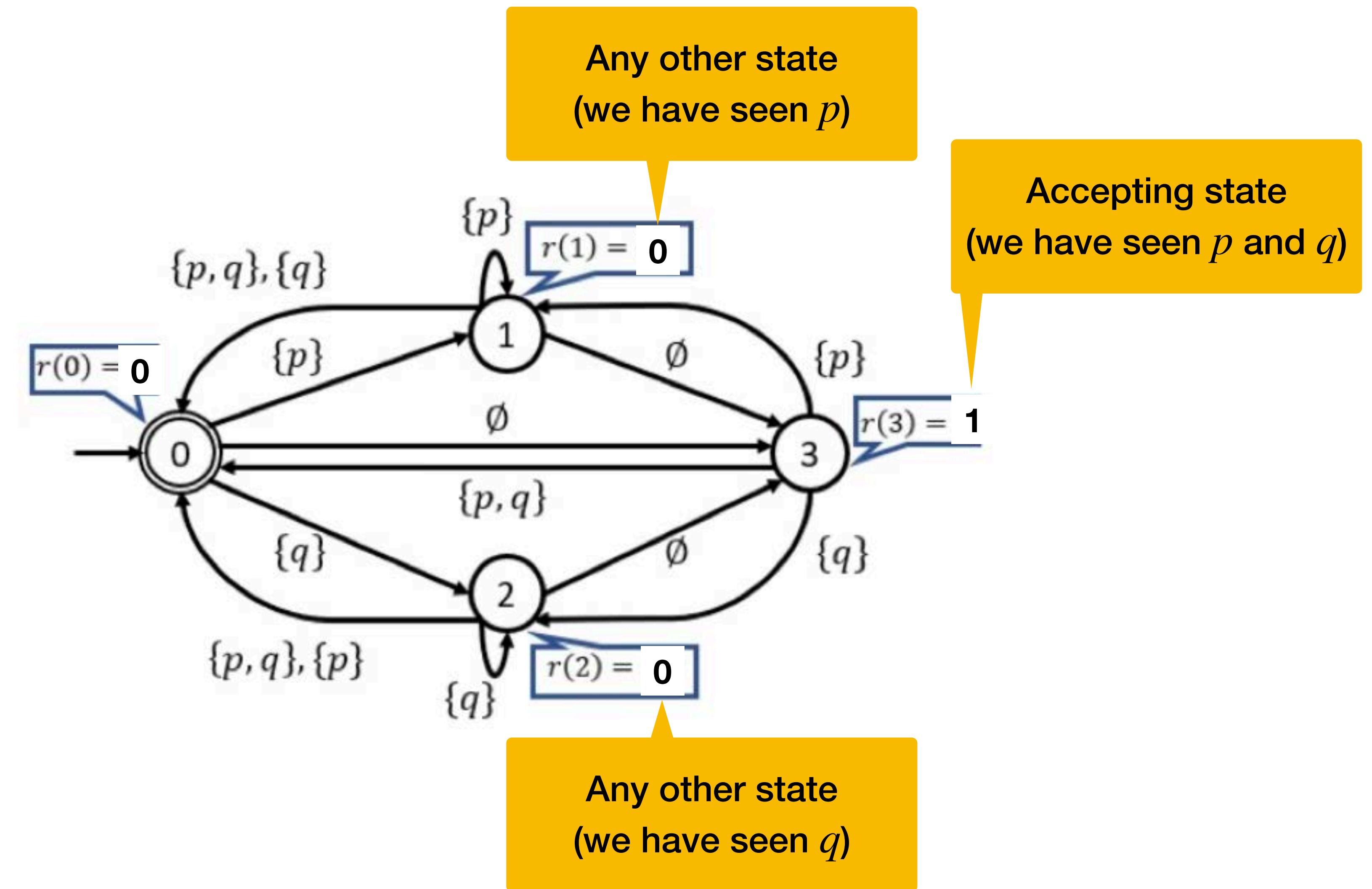
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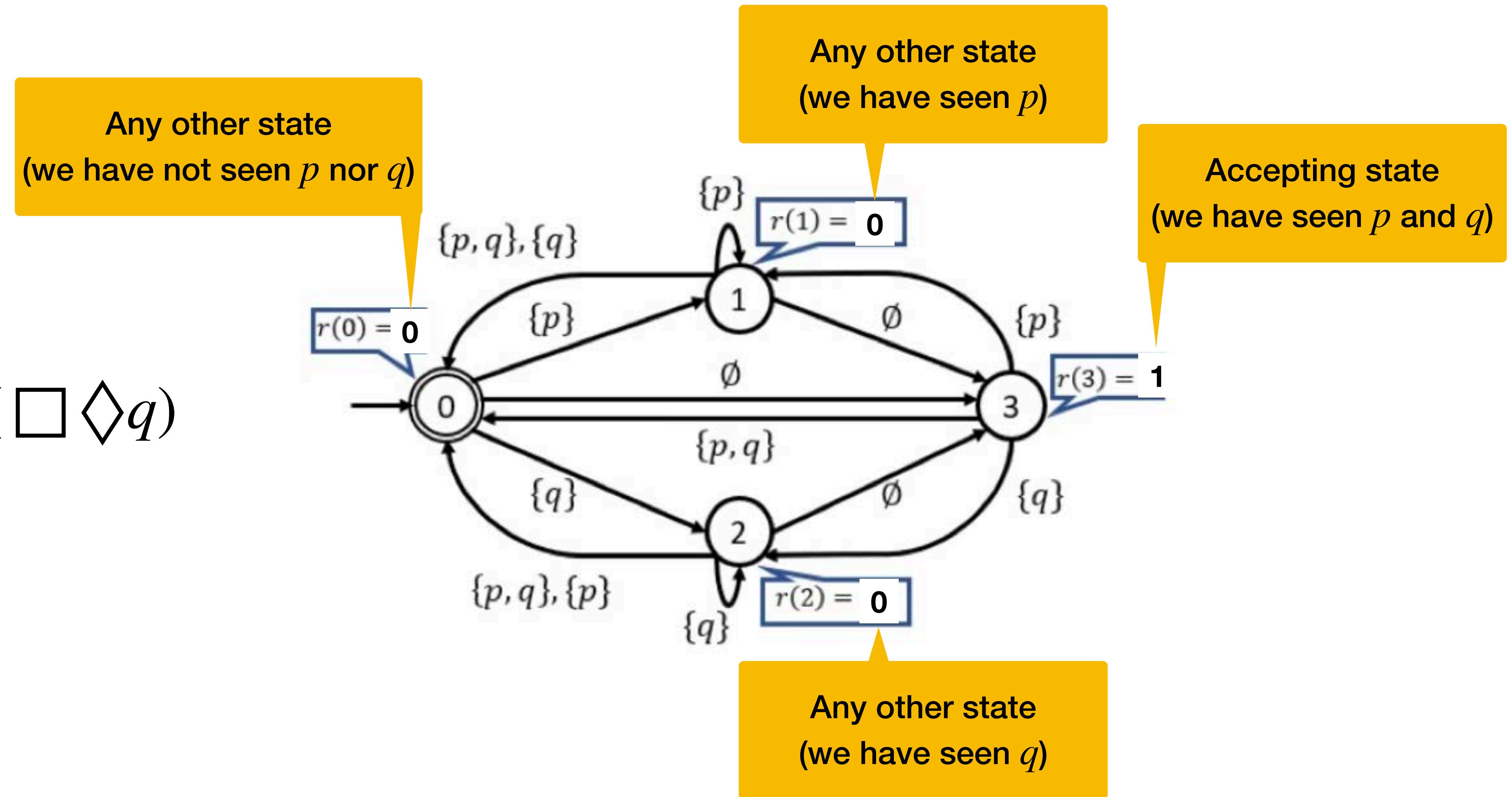
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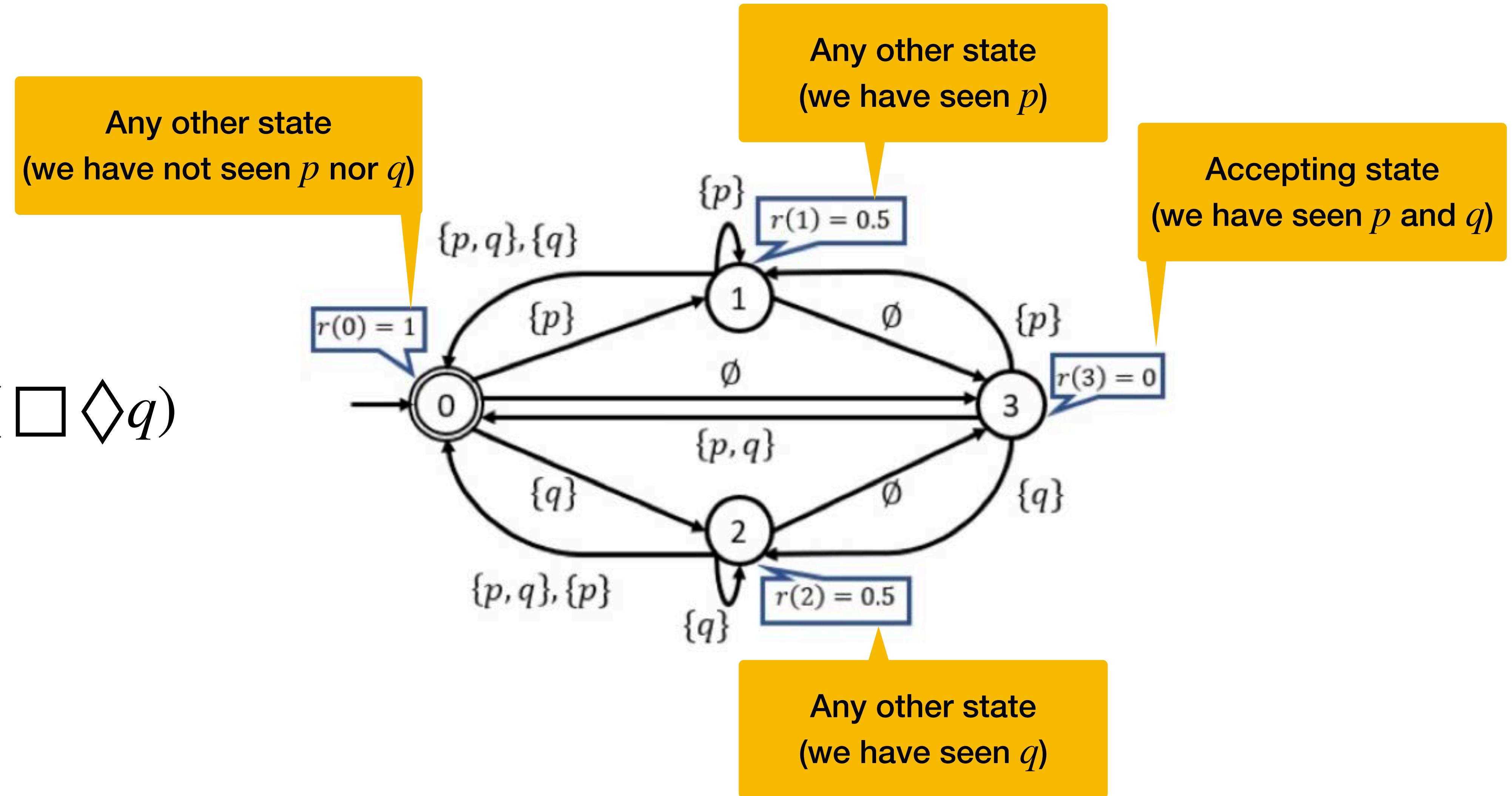
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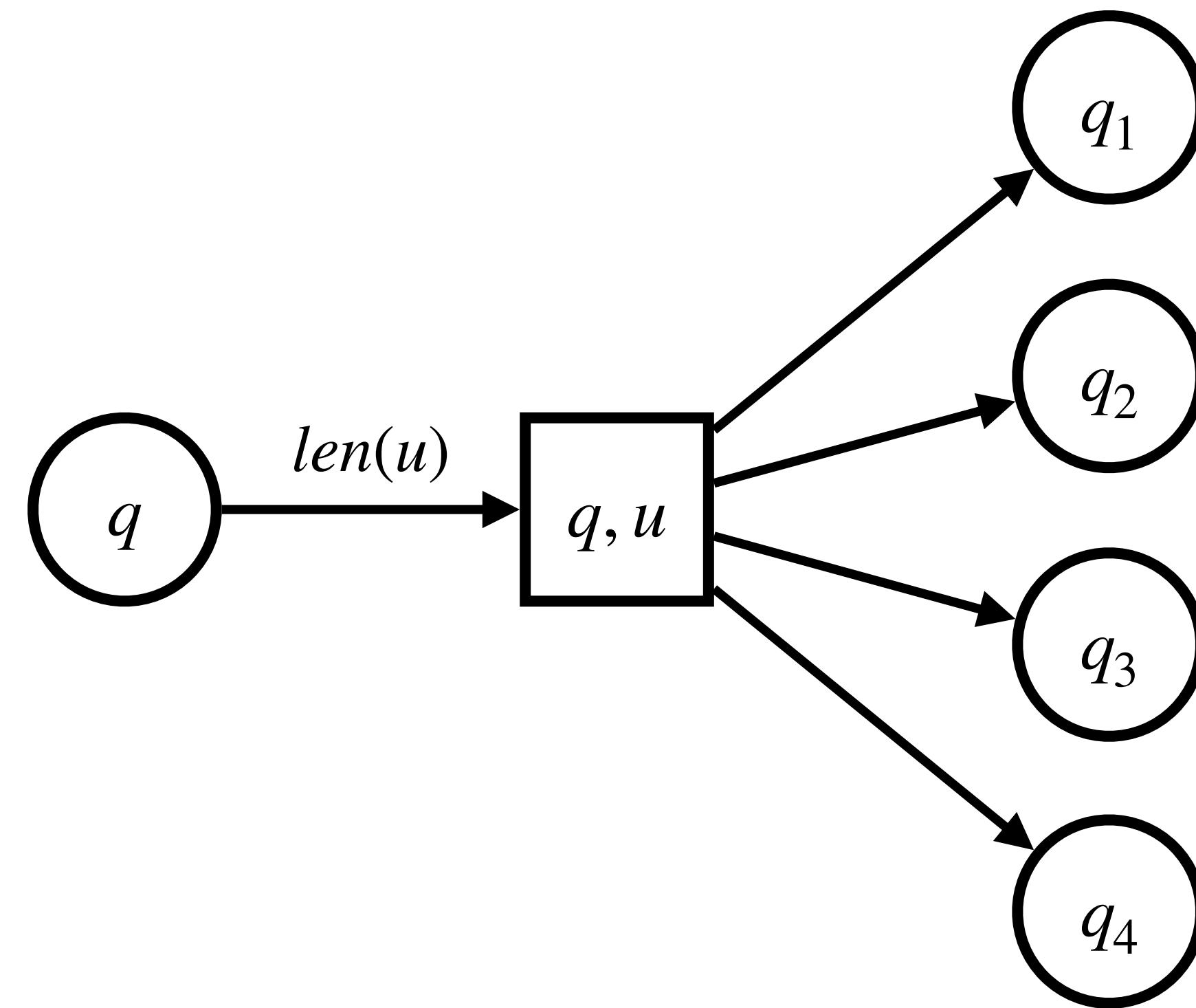
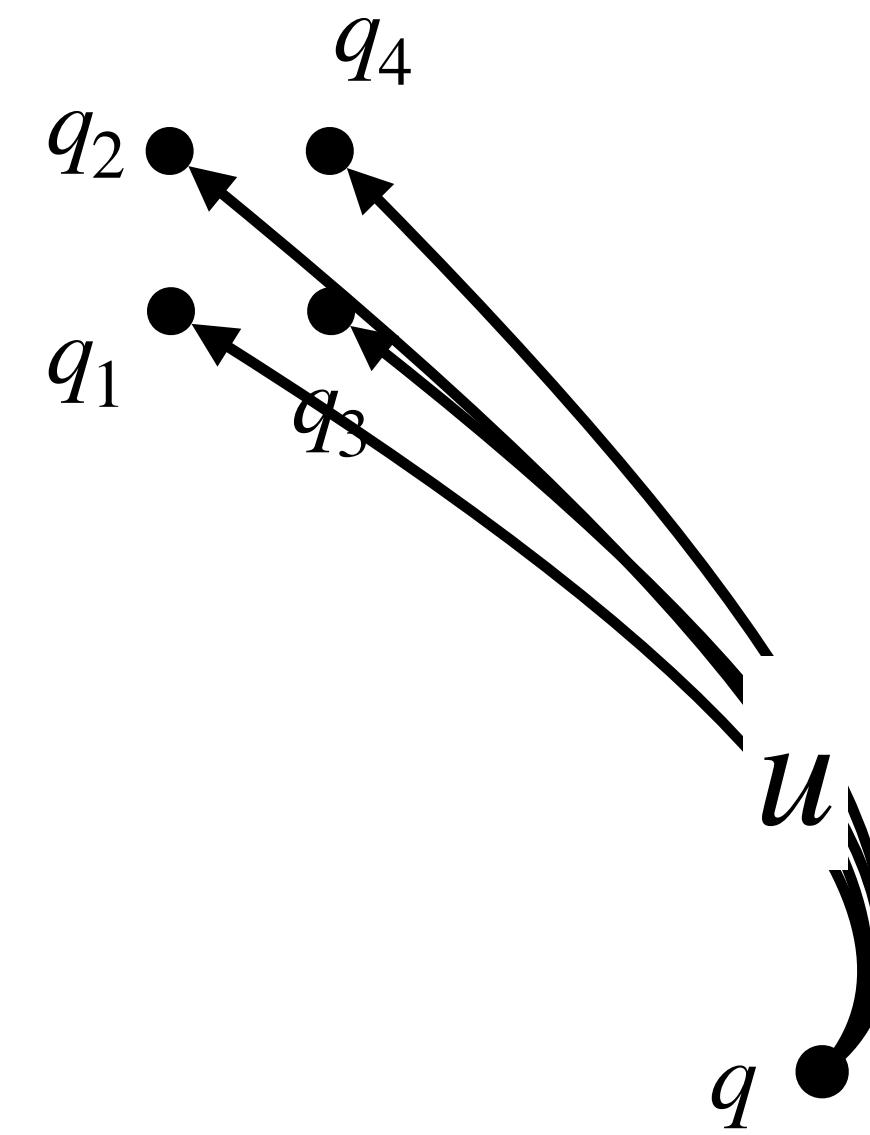


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Mean payoff games from symbolic model



\mathcal{G}_Σ

Mean payoff games, in general

$$\mathcal{G} = (X_s, X_e, Tr_s, Tr_e, w)$$

Where:

- X_s finite set (system states)
- X_e finite set (environment states)
- $Tr_s \subseteq X_s \times X_e$ (system transitions)
- $Tr_e \subseteq X_e \times X_s$ (environment transitions)
- $w : Tr_s \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ (weight function)

Strategies, winning condition

Strategy for system: $S_s : (X_s \times X_e)^* \times X_s \rightarrow X_e$ such that

If $S_s(s_1e_1\dots s_n) = e_n$ then $(s_n, e_n) \in Tr_s$

Strategy for environment: $S_e : (X_s \times X_e)^+ \rightarrow X_s$ such that

If $S_e(s_1e_1\dots s_ne_n) = s_{n+1}$ then $(e_n, s_{n+1}) \in Tr_e$

Two strategies generate a unique run ρ_s for every state $s \in X_s$

System wins the game at s if it has a strategy S_s such that for all strategy S_e of the environment, ($\rho_s = s_1e_1\dots$):

$$\liminf_{h \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h} \sum_{i=1}^h w(s_i, e_i) \geq \nu$$

Calculability

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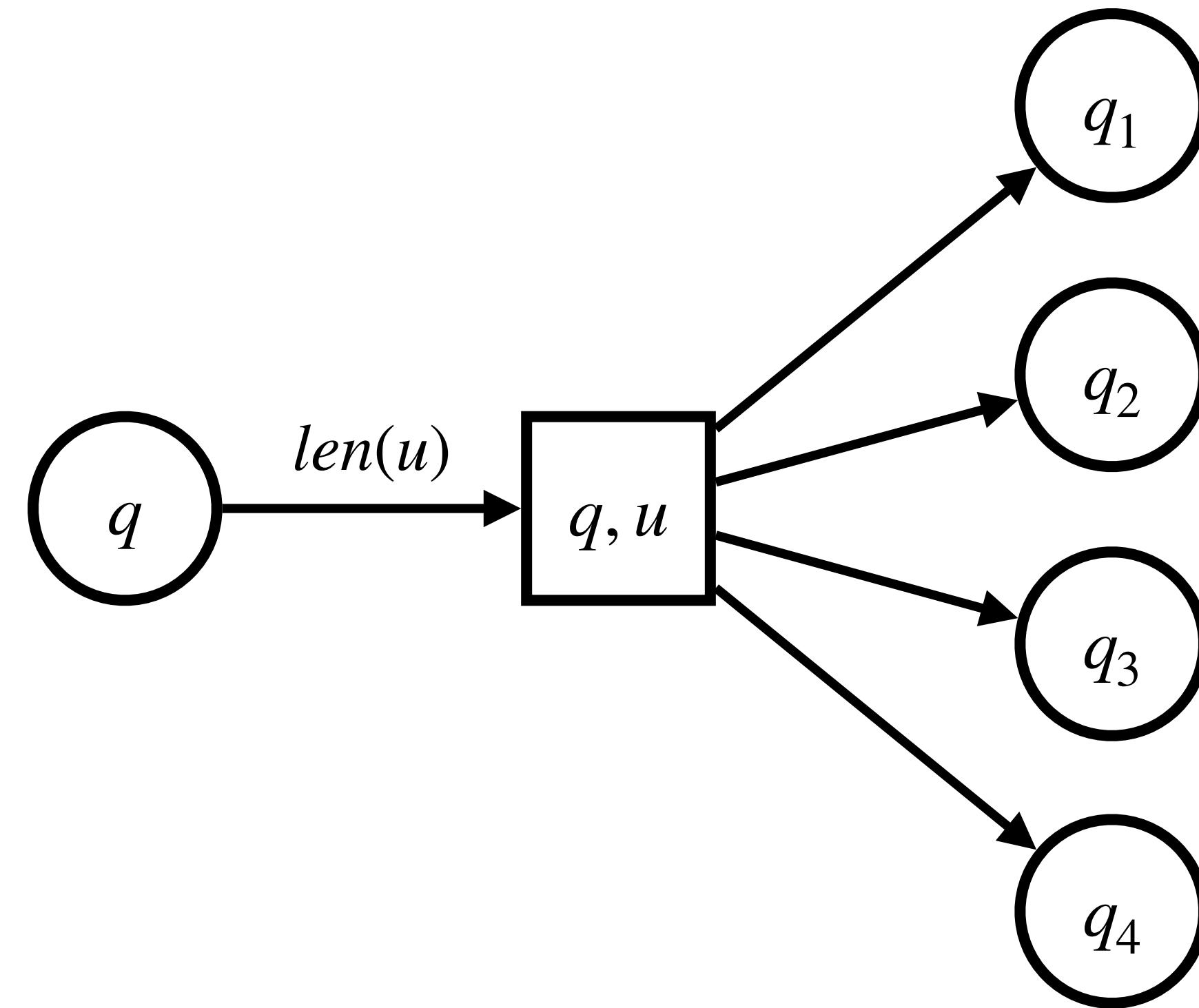
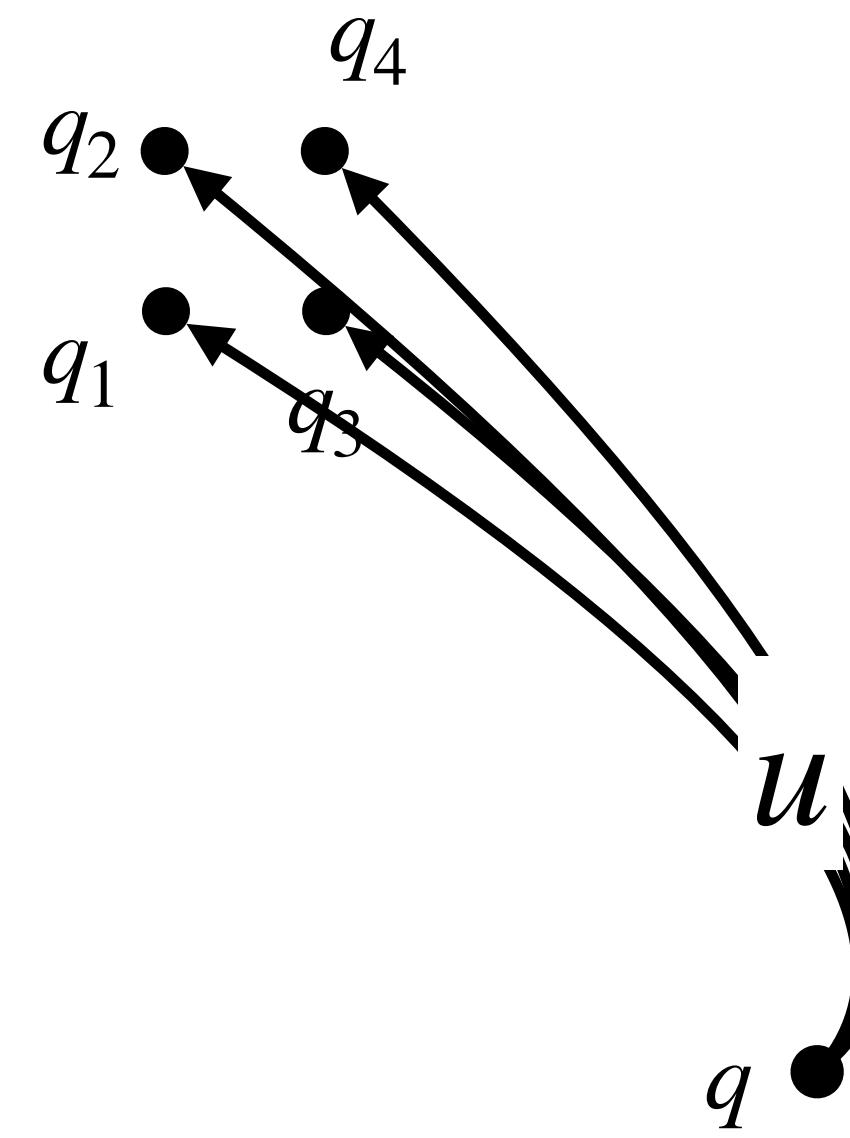
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- Mean payoff game \mathcal{G}
- Threshold ν

Output:

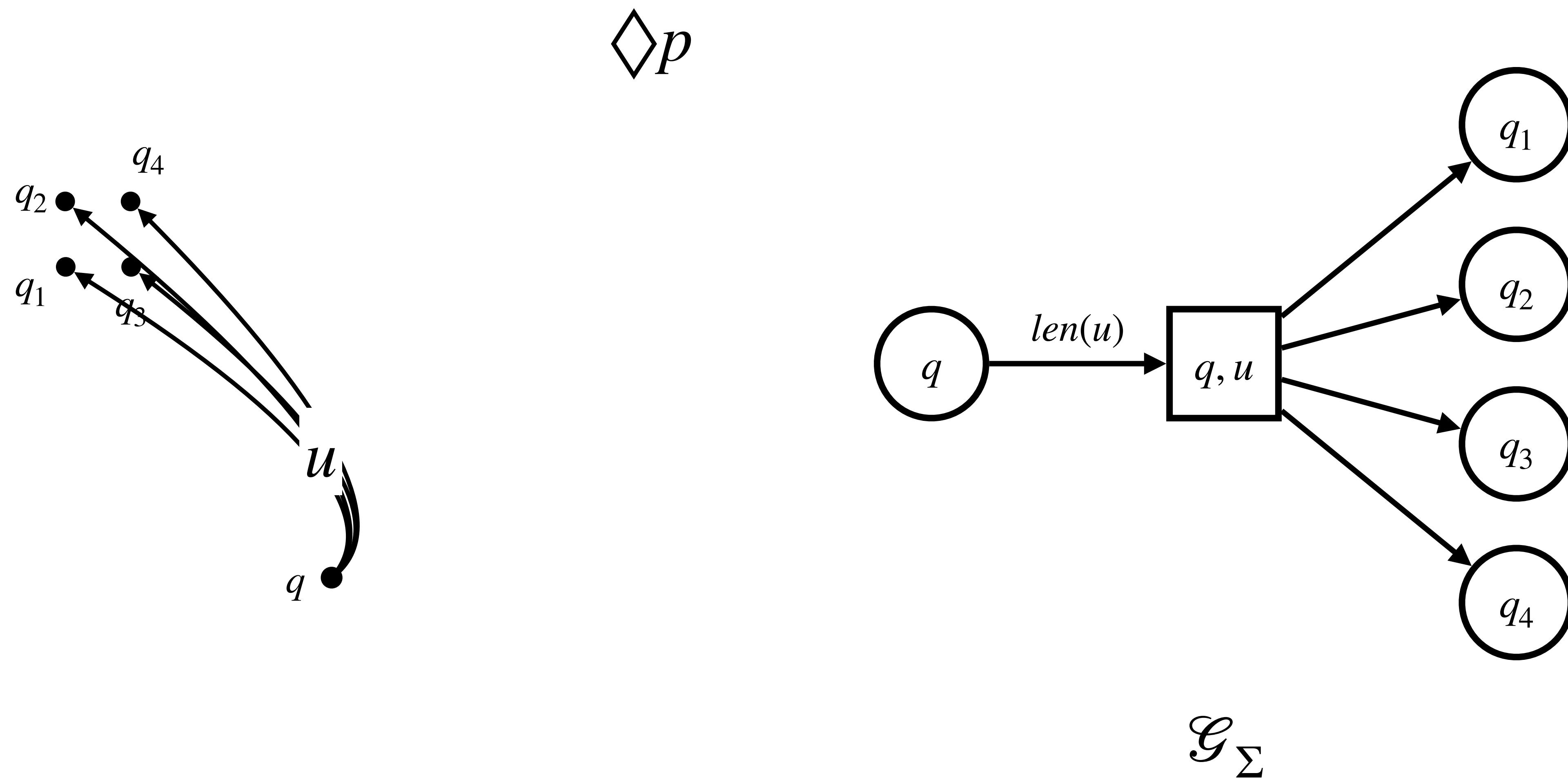
- Sets of winning states for system and environment
- Strategies

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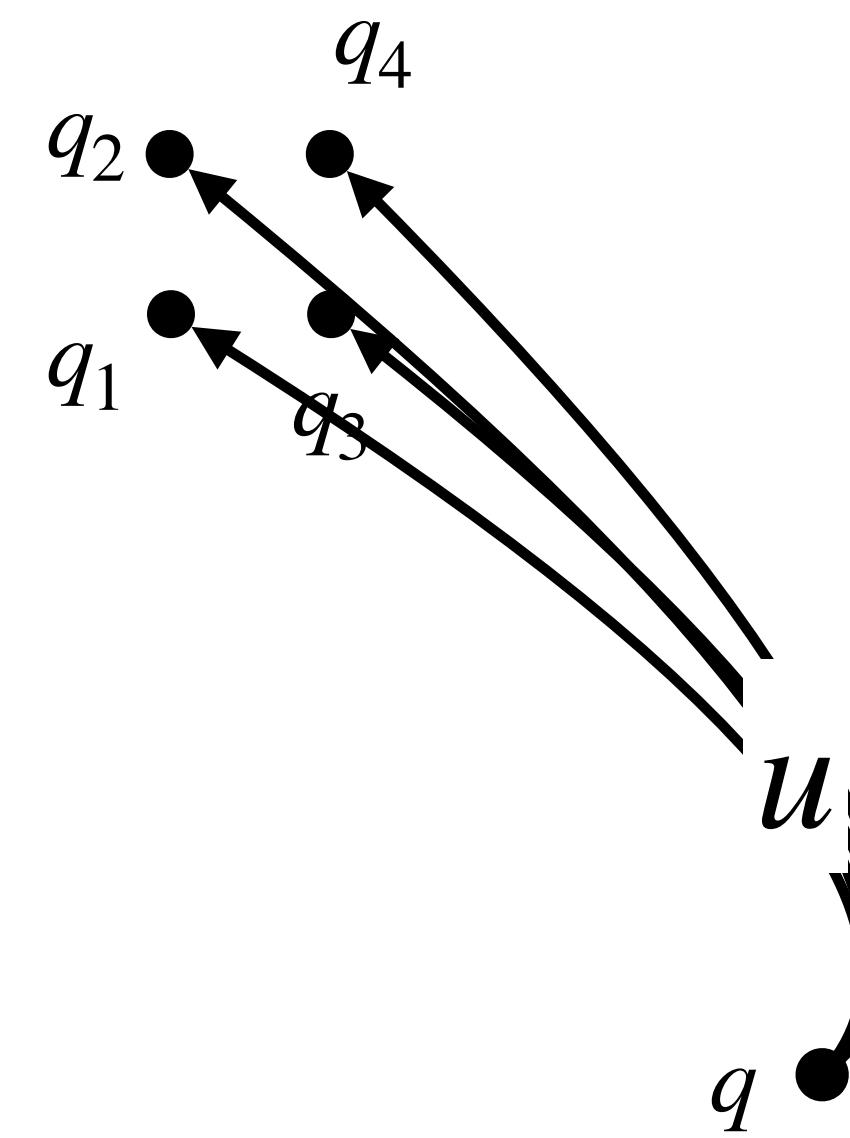


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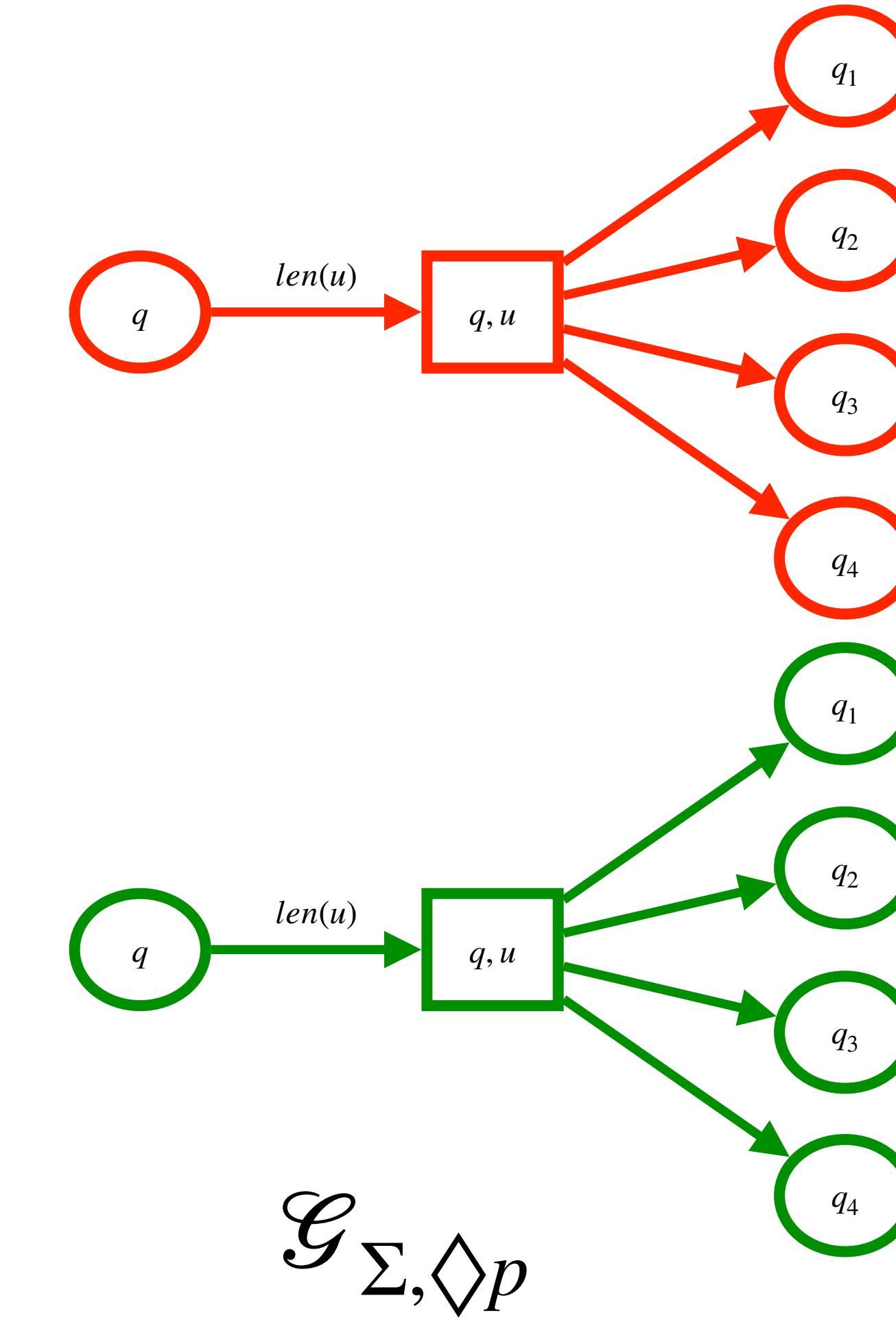
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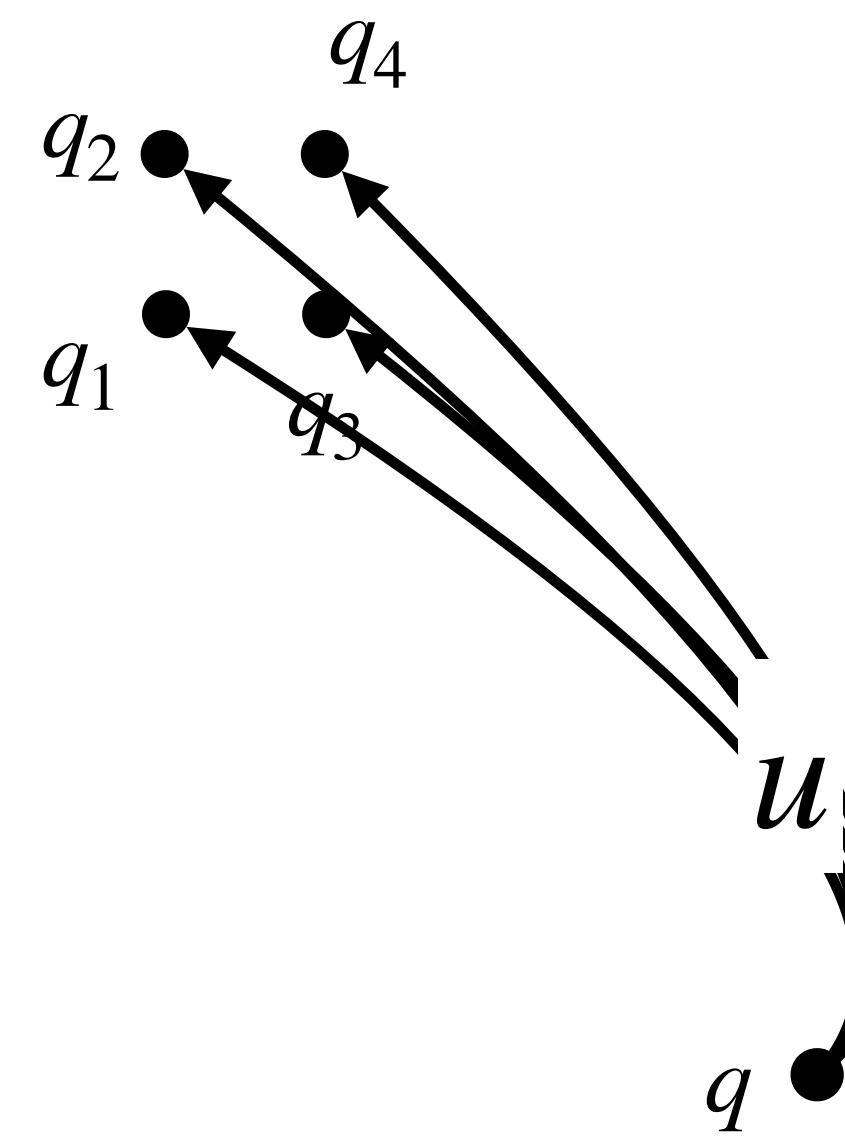
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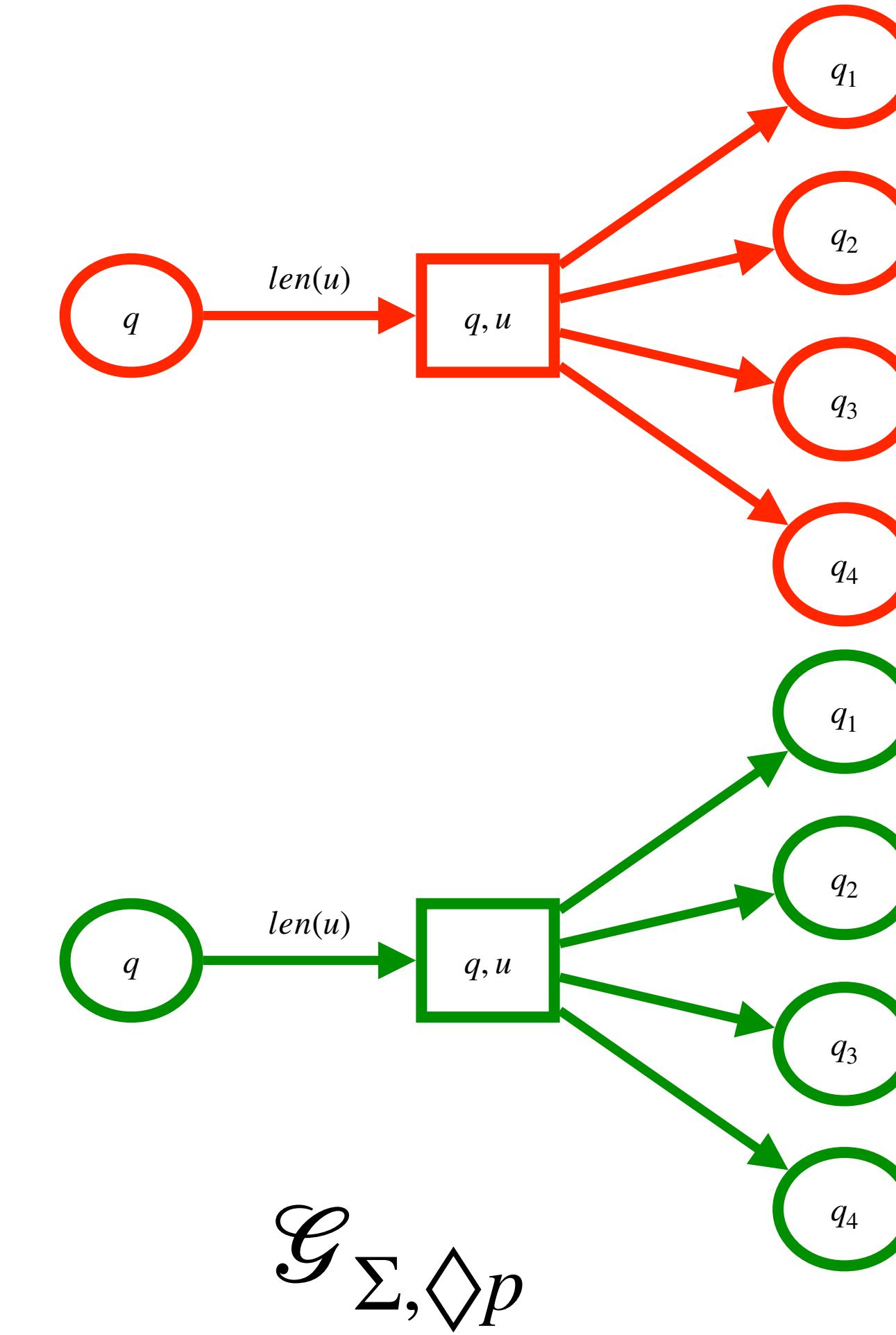
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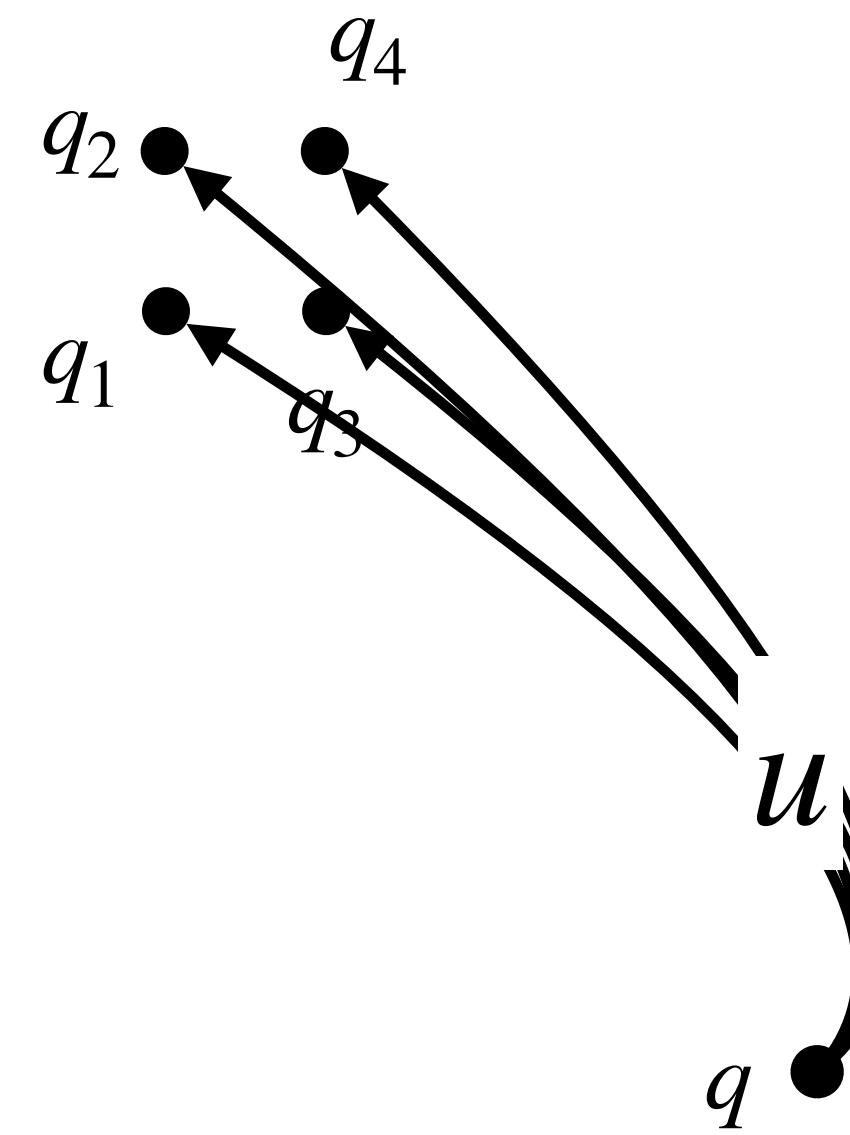
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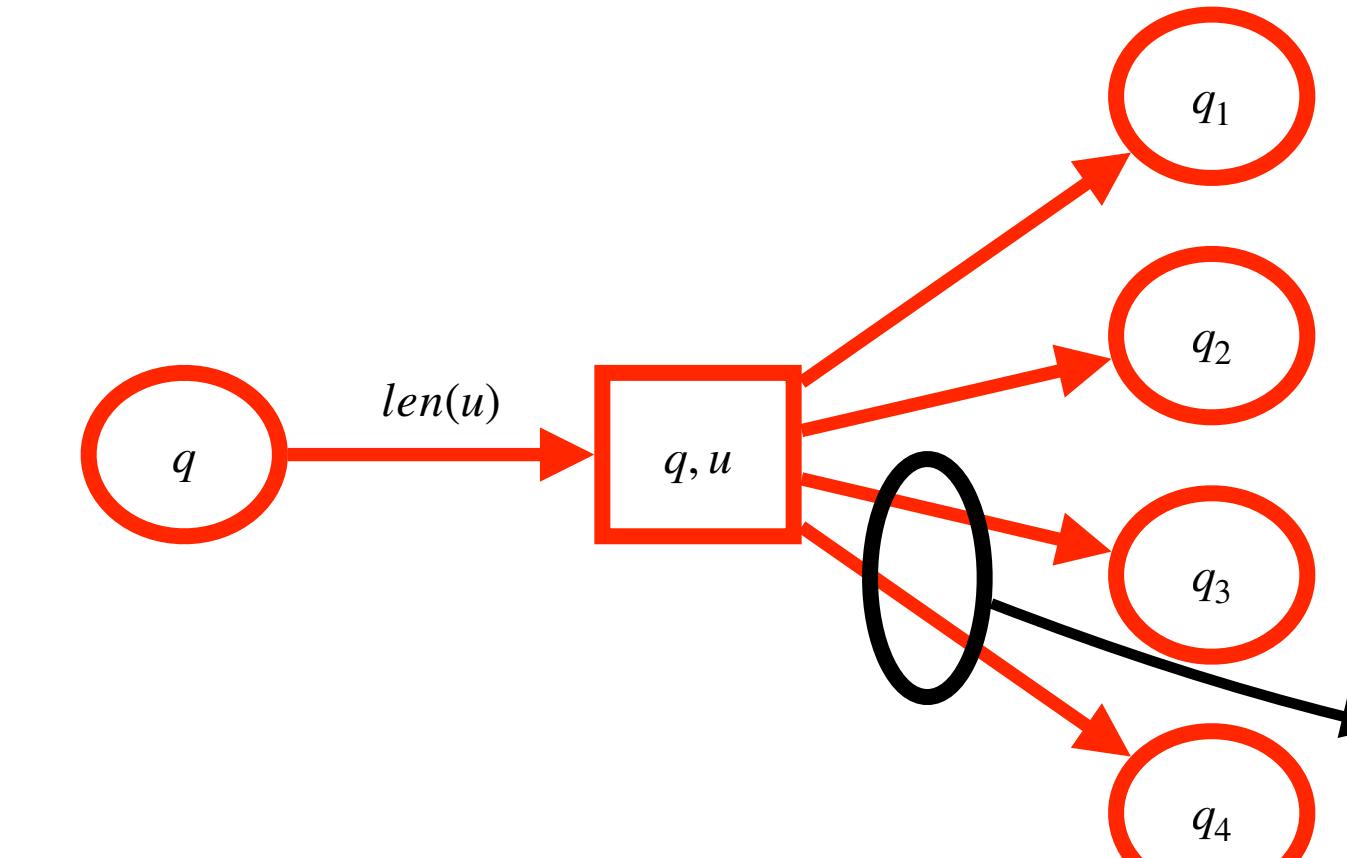
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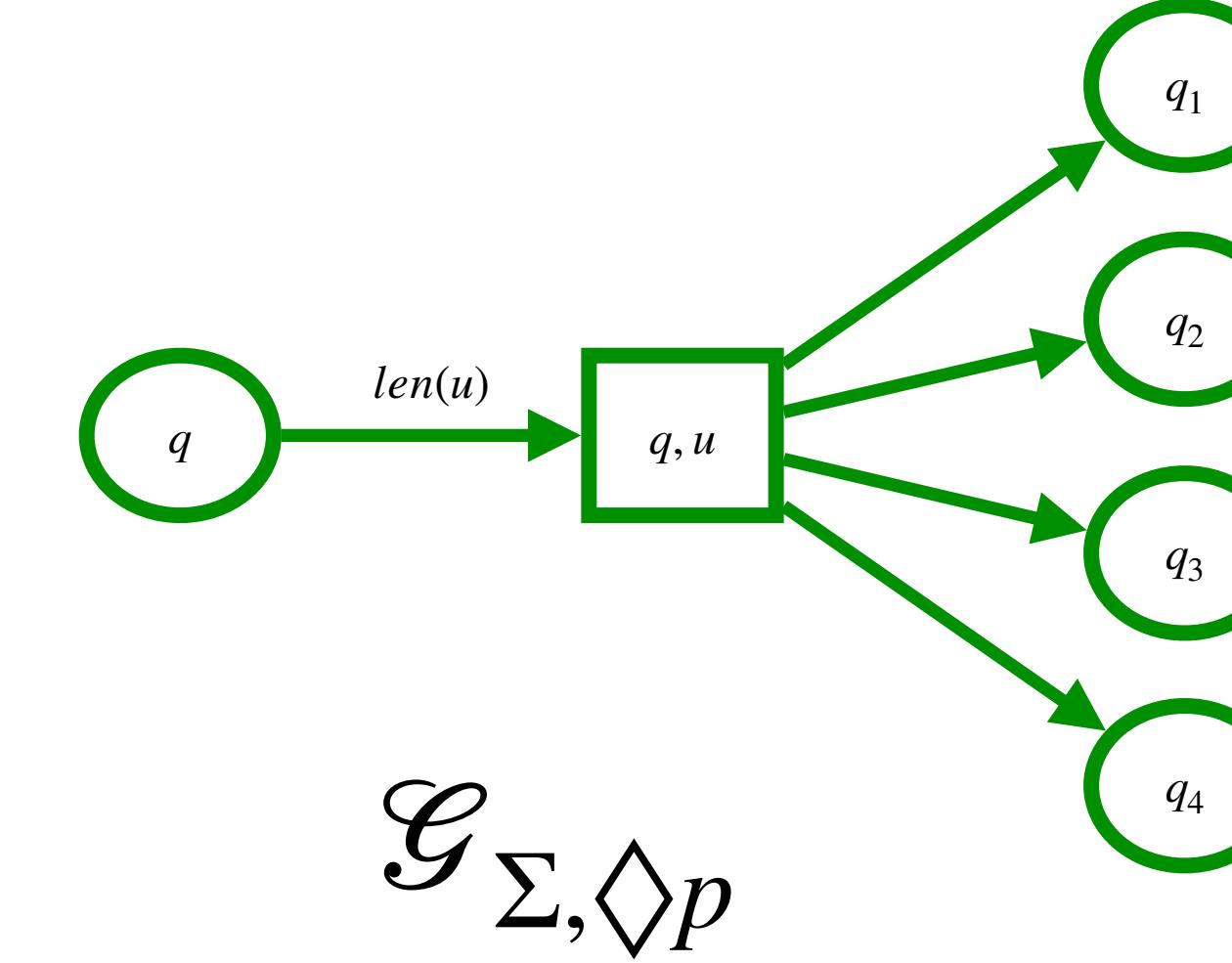


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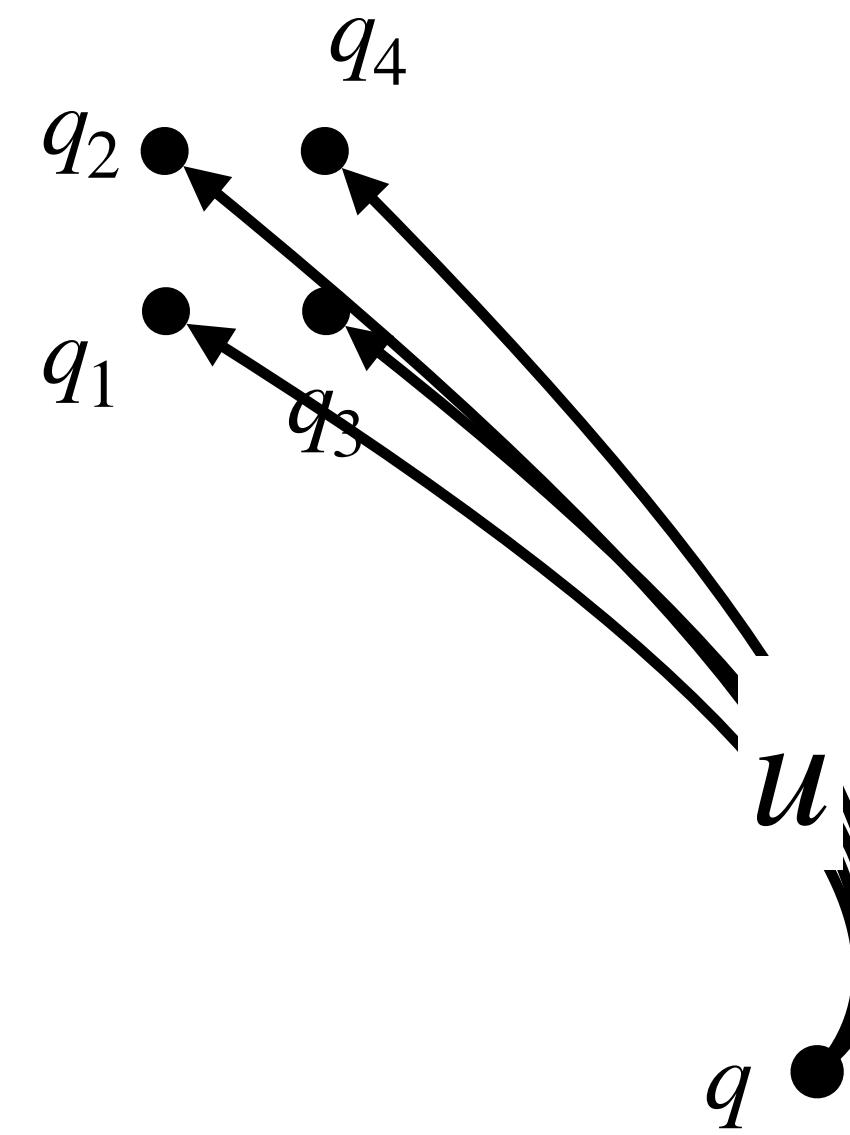
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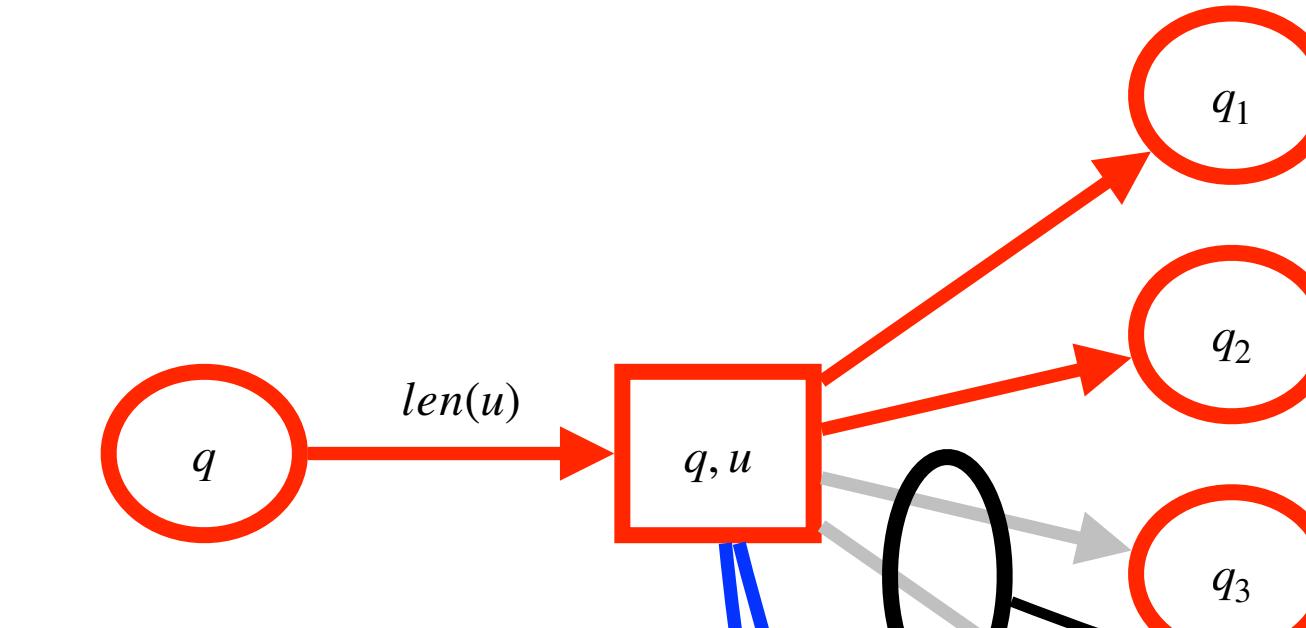
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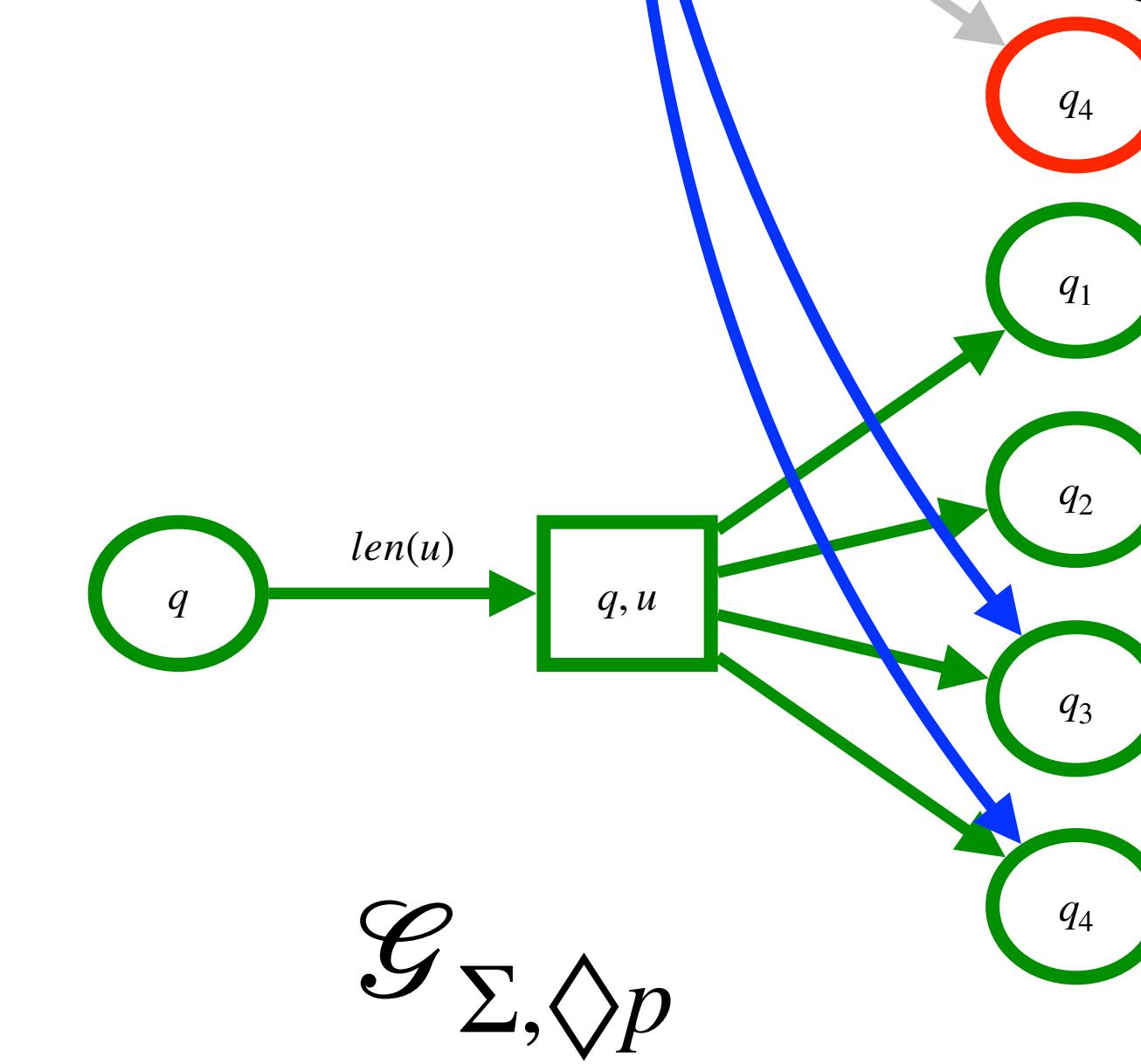
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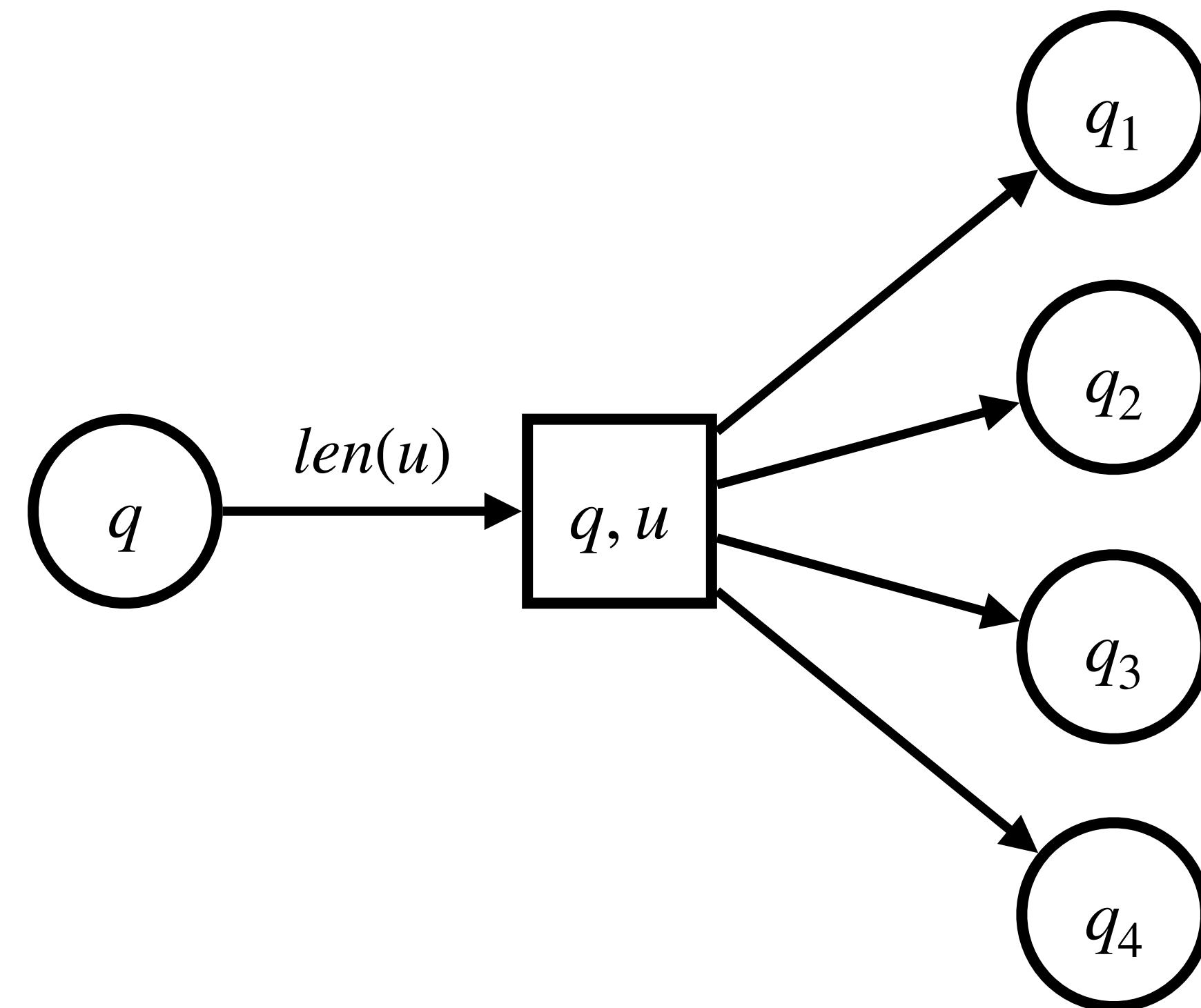
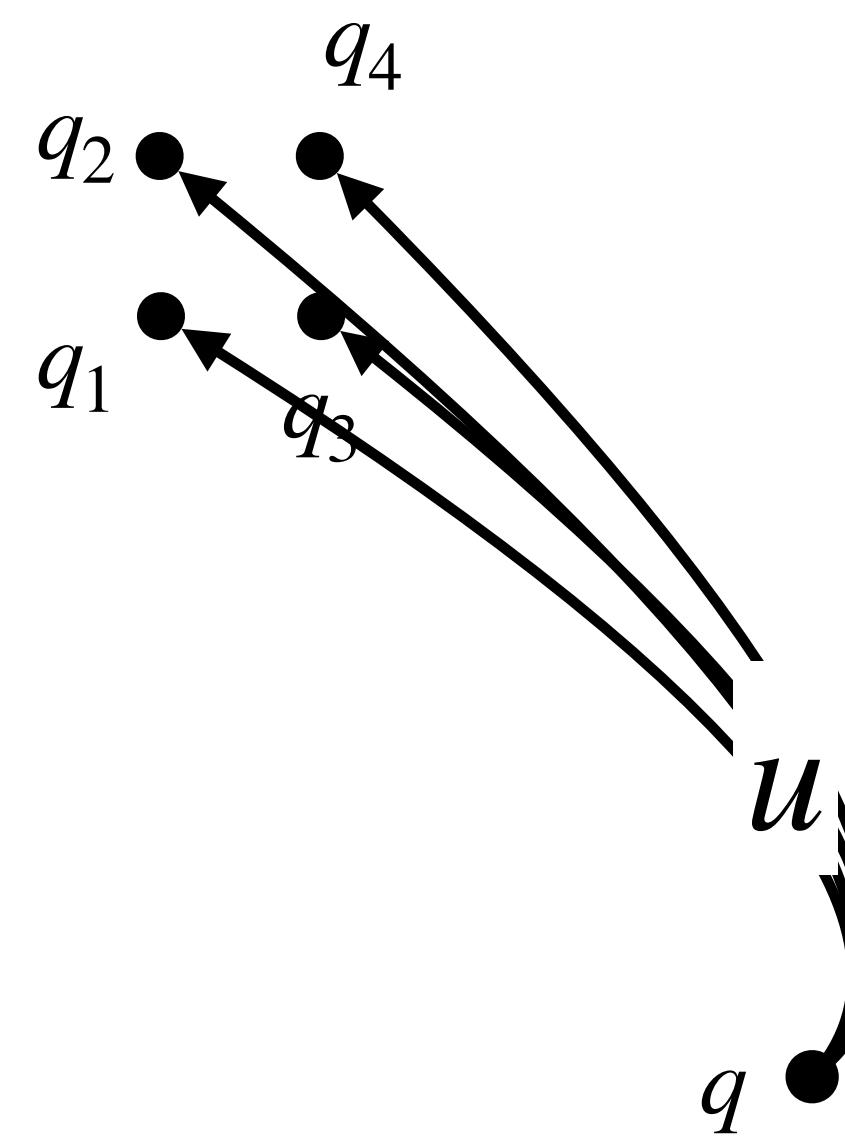


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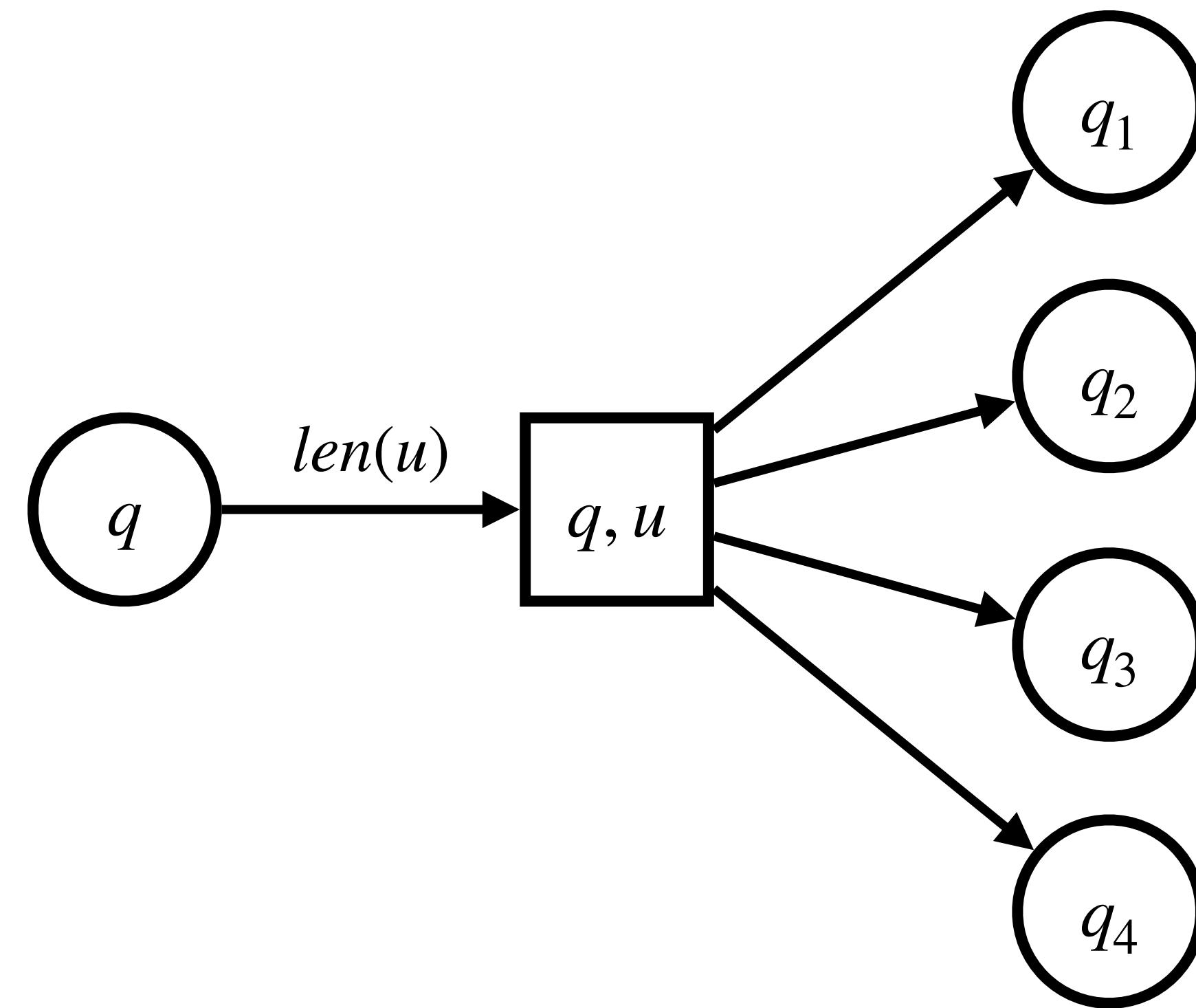
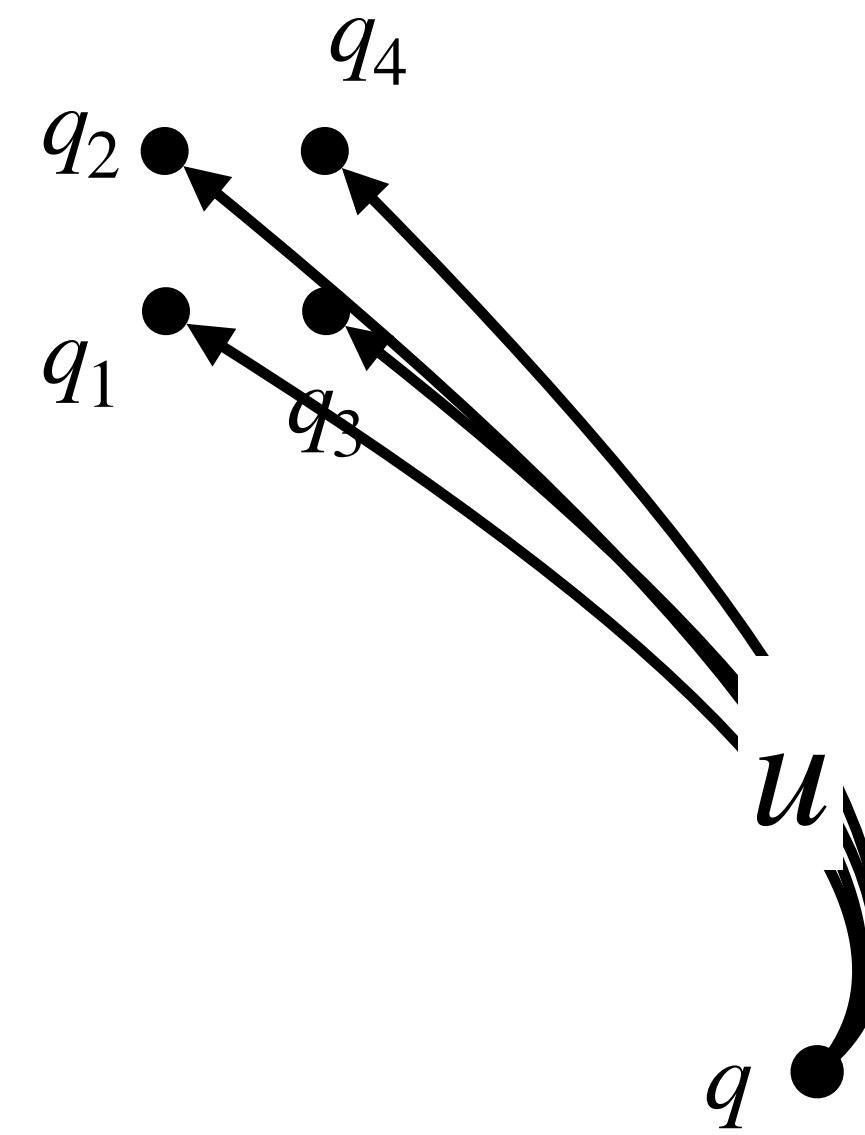
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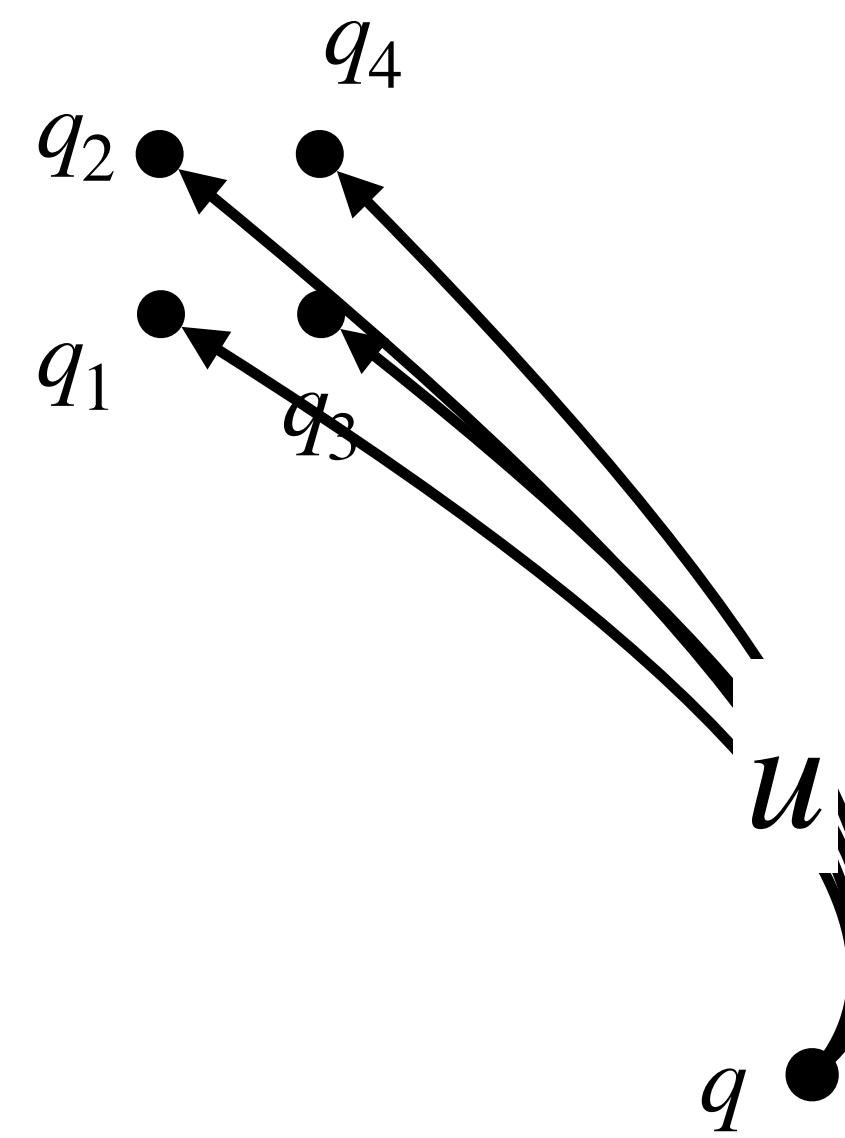
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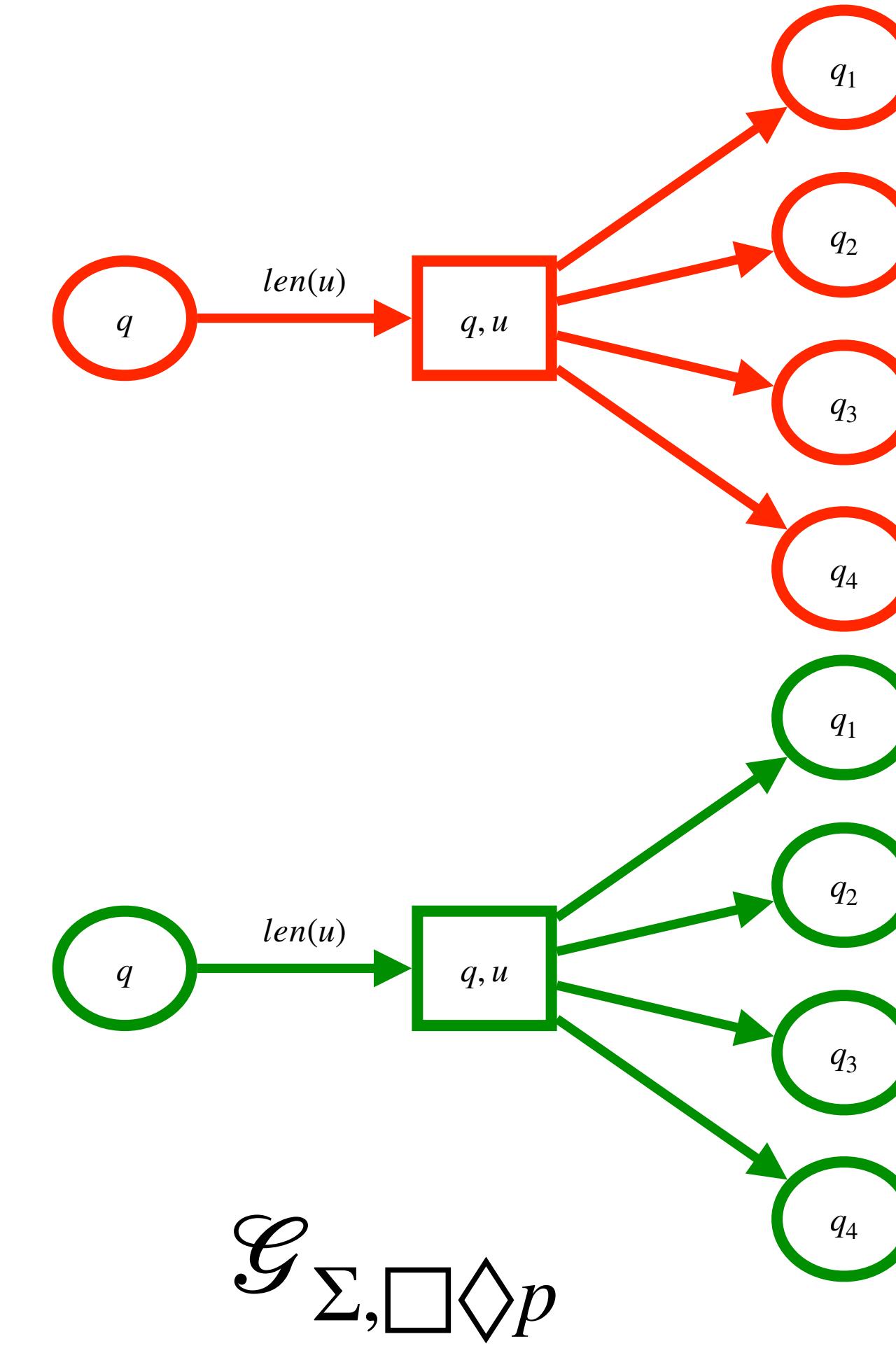


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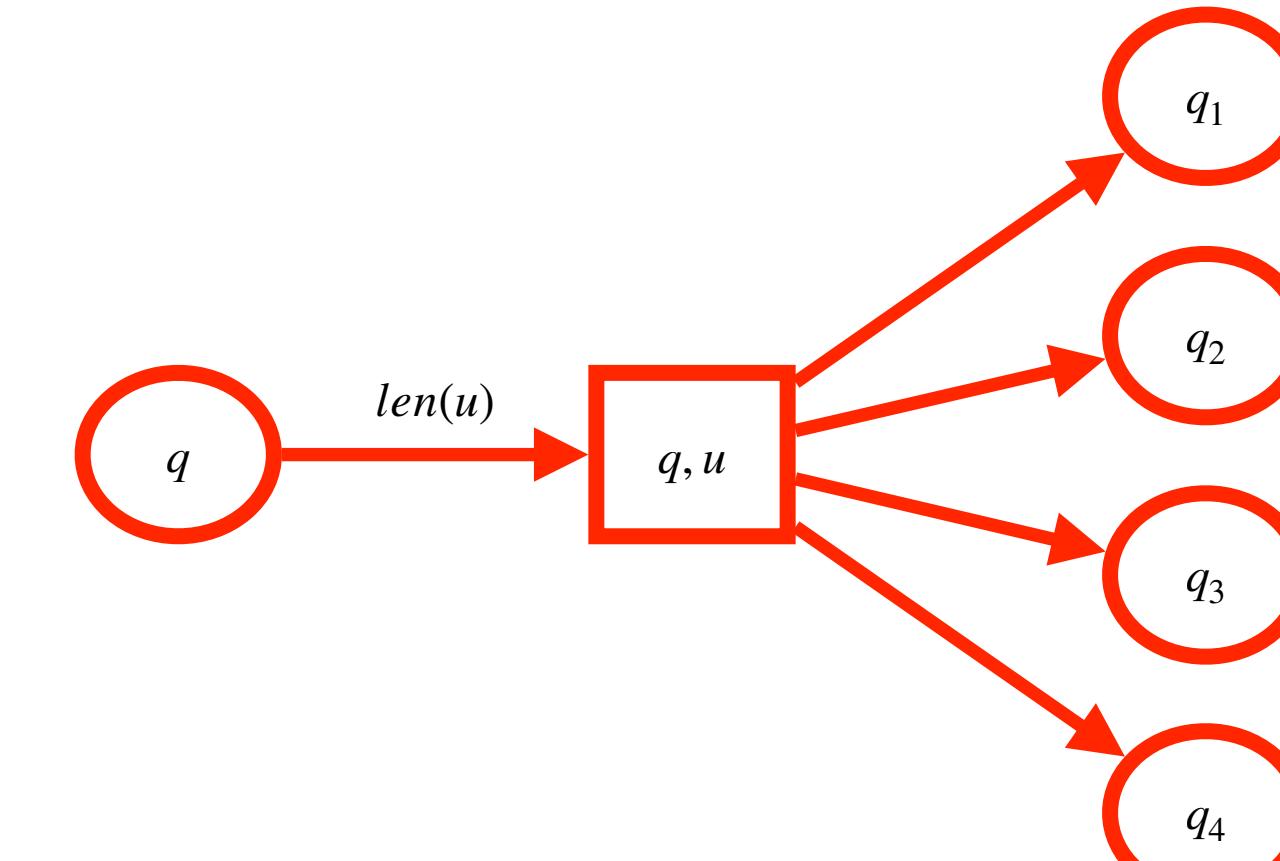
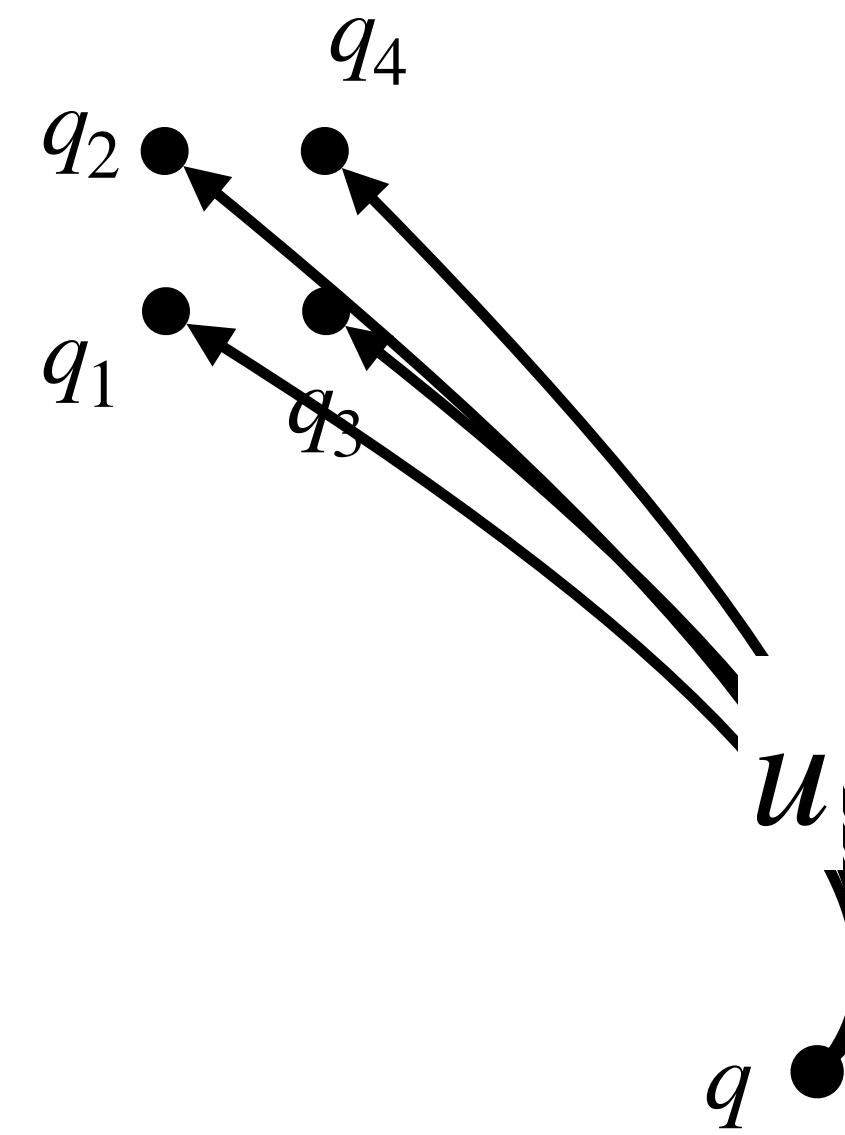


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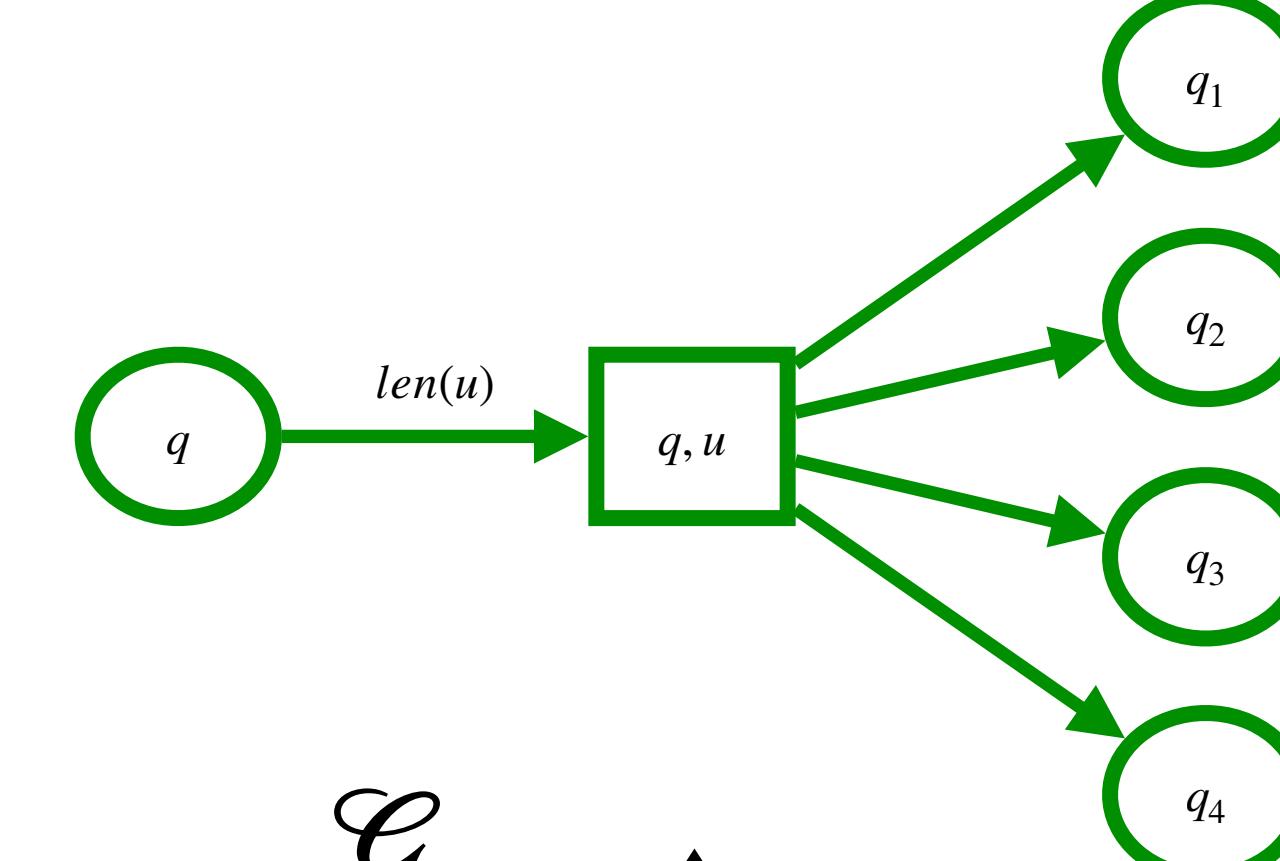


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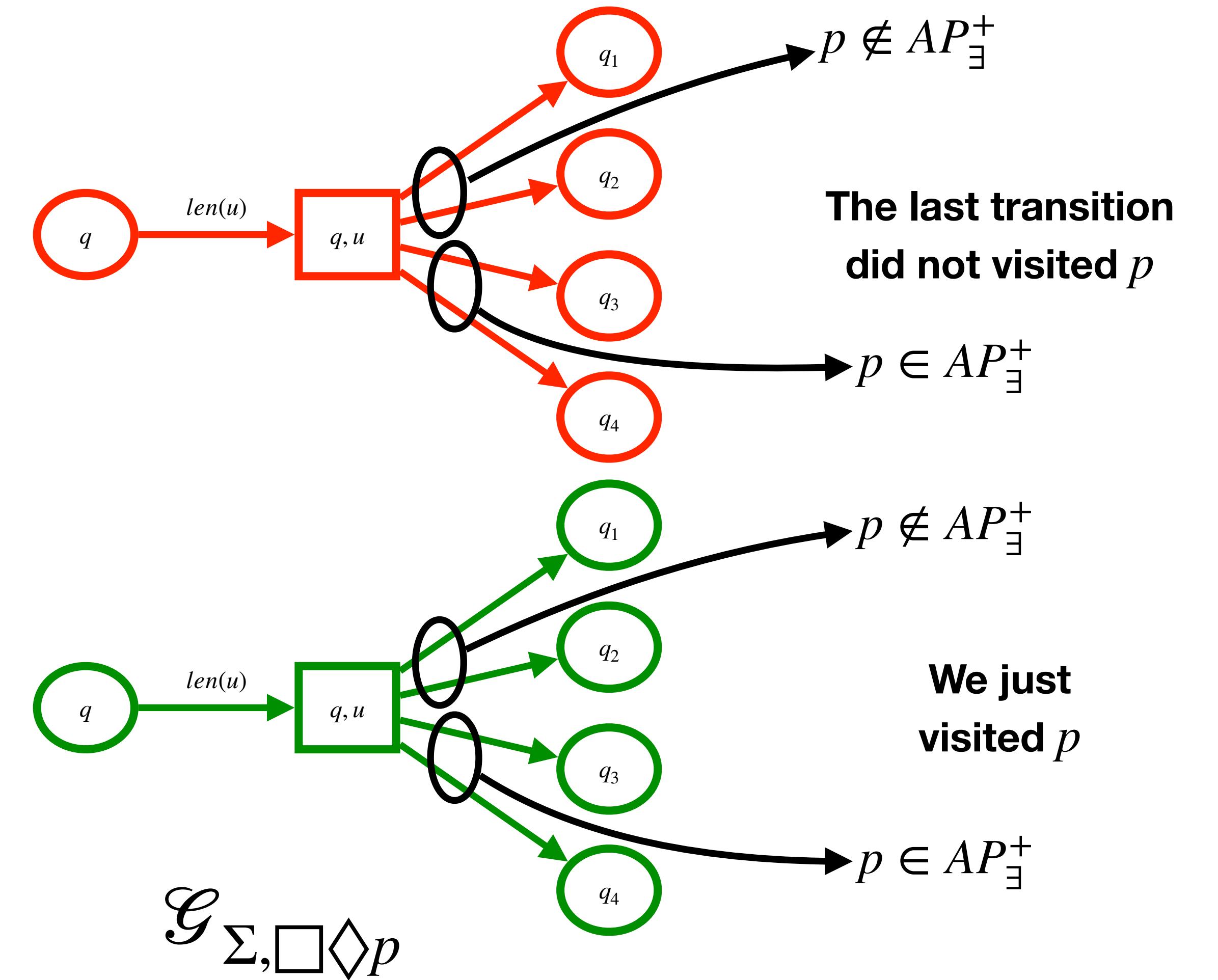
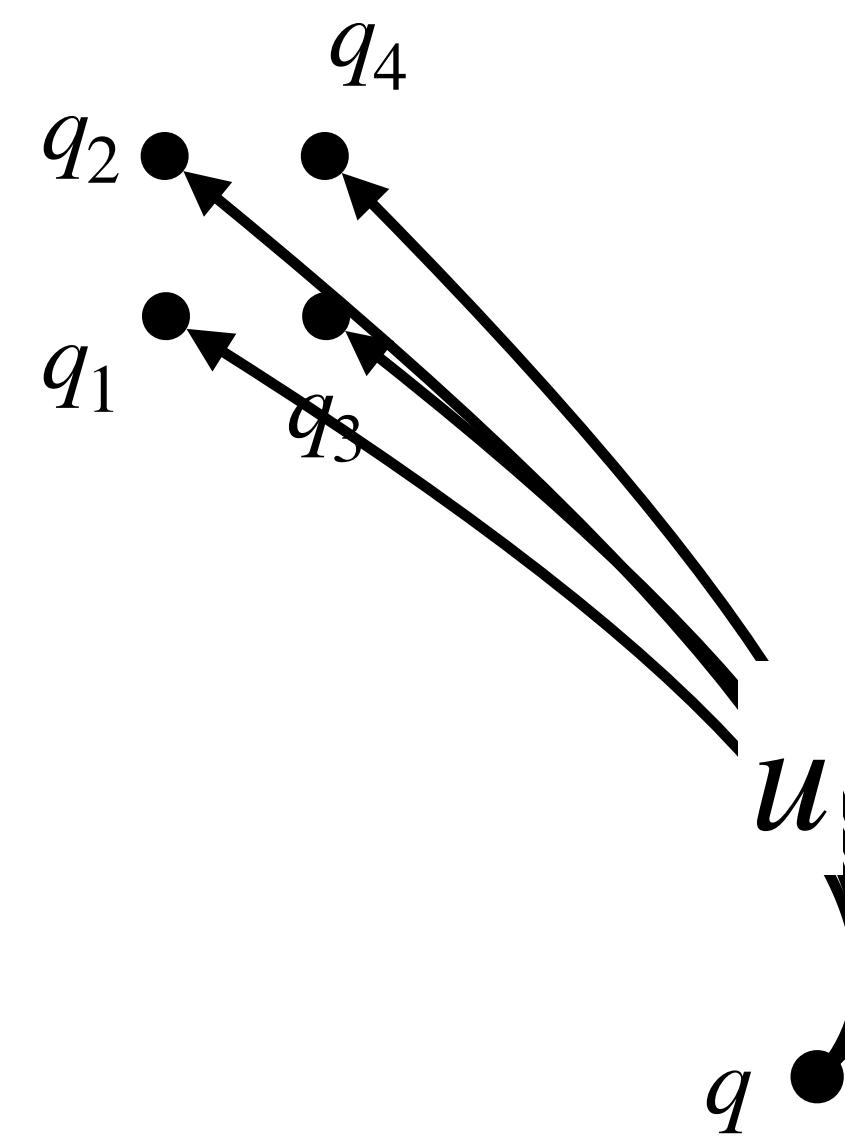
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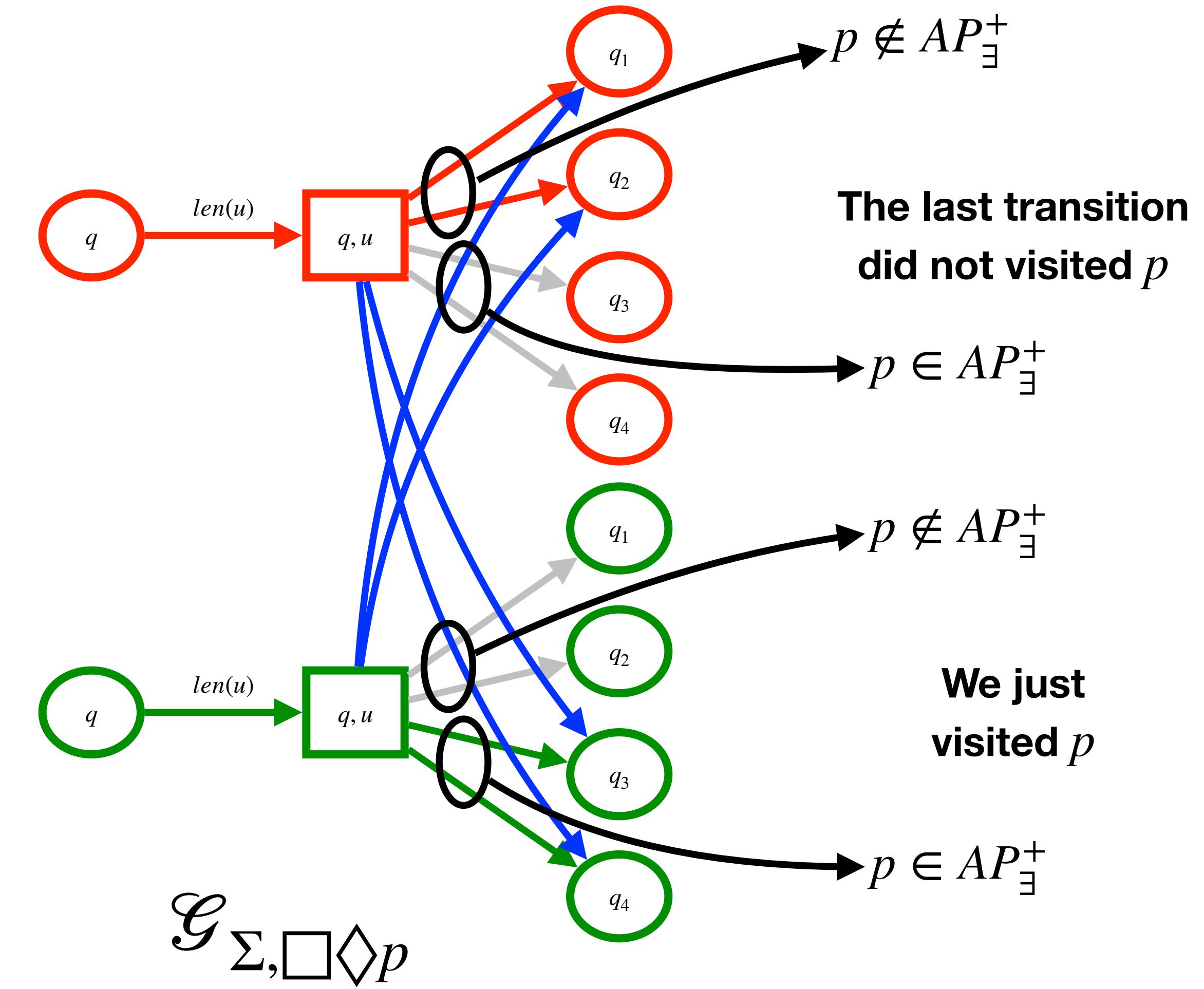
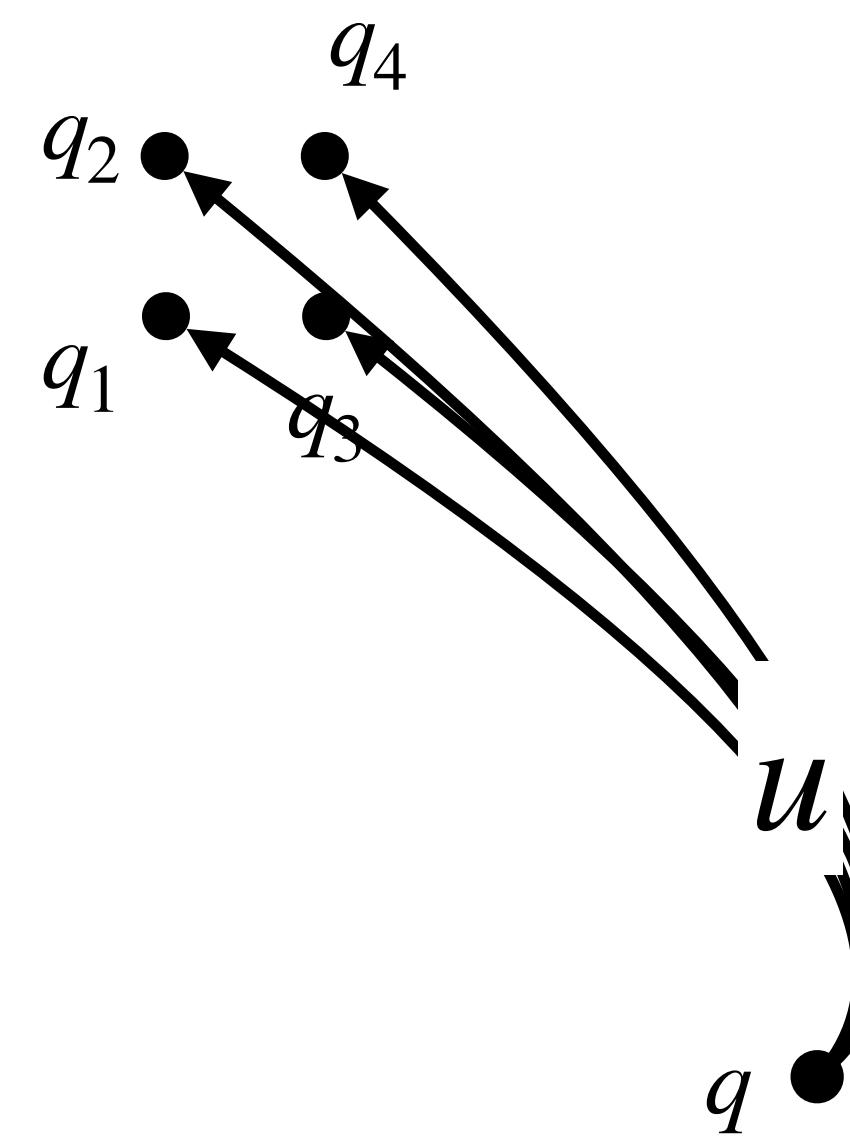
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Mean payoff parity games

$$\mathcal{G} = (X_s, X_e, Tr_s, Tr_e, w, p)$$

Where:

- $(X_s, X_e, Tr_s, Tr_e, w)$ mean payoff game
- $p : X_s \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, 2n - 1, 2n\}$ (parity function)

Strategies, winning condition

Strategy for system: $S_s : (X_s \times X_e)^* \times X_s \rightarrow X_e$ such that

If $S_s(s_1e_1\dots s_n) = e_n$ then $(s_n, e_n) \in Tr_s$

Strategy for environment: $S_e : (X_s \times X_e)^+ \rightarrow X_s$ such that

If $S_e(s_1e_1\dots s_n e_n) = s_{n+1}$ then $(e_n, s_{n+1}) \in Tr_e$

Two strategies generate a unique run ρ_s for every state $s \in X_s$

System wins the game at s if it has a strategy S_s such that for all strategy S_e of the environment, ($\rho_s = s_1e_1\dots$):

$$\liminf_{h \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{h} \sum_{i=1}^h w(s_i, e_i) \geq \nu \text{ and } \max \{b \mid |\{i \mid p(s_i) = b\}| = \infty\} \text{ is even}$$

Calculability

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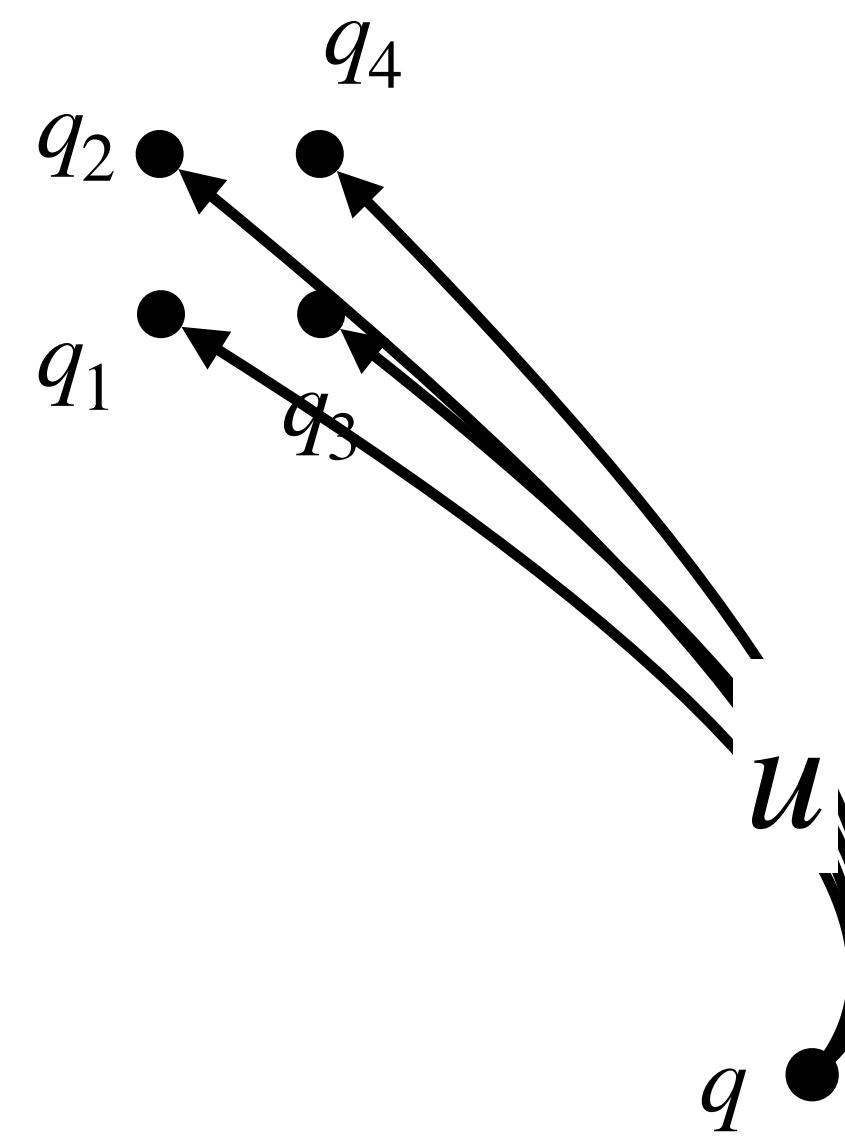
Data:

- Mean payoff parity game \mathcal{G}
- Threshold ν

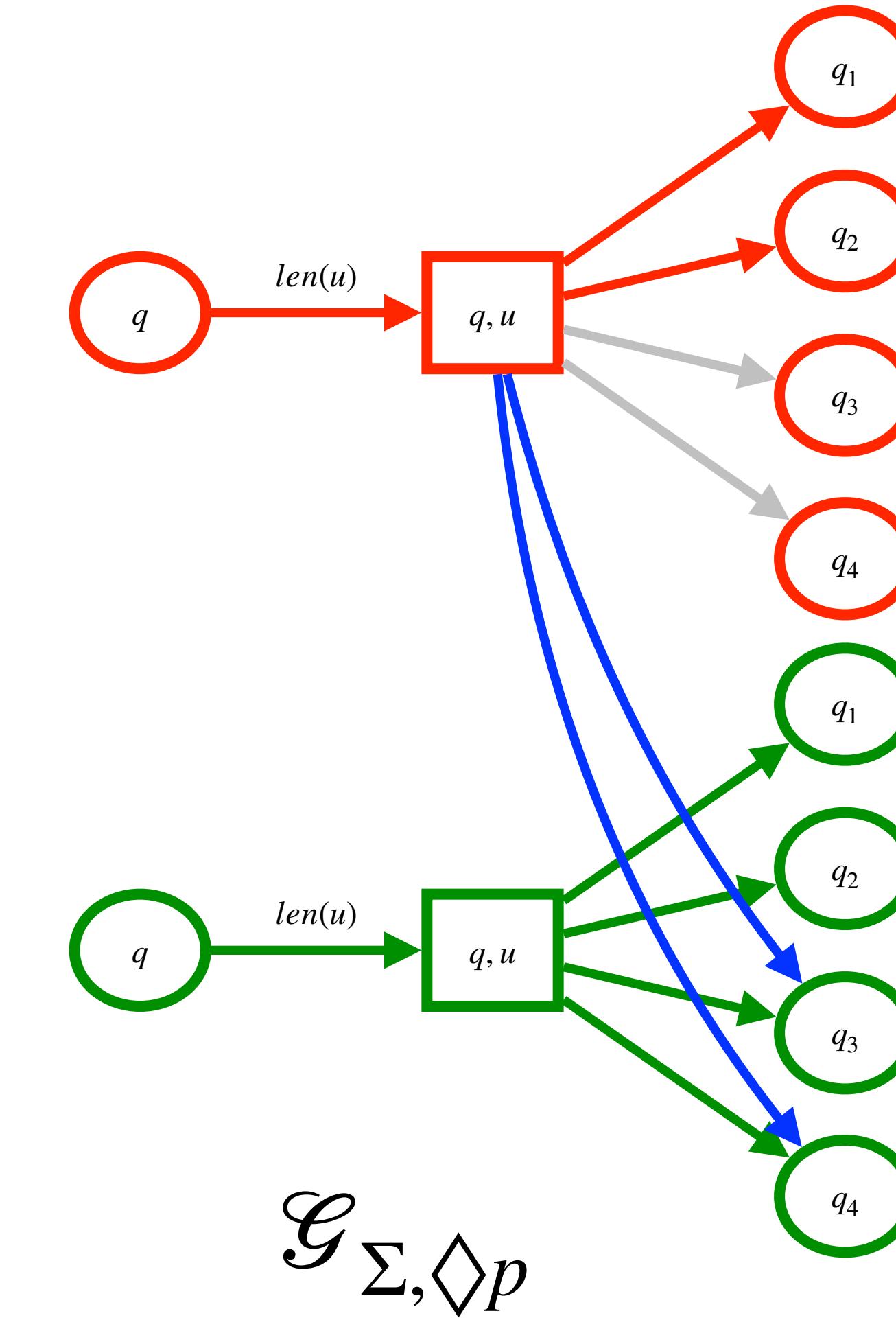
Output:

- Sets of winning states for system and environment
- Strategies

Mean payoff parity game for diamond



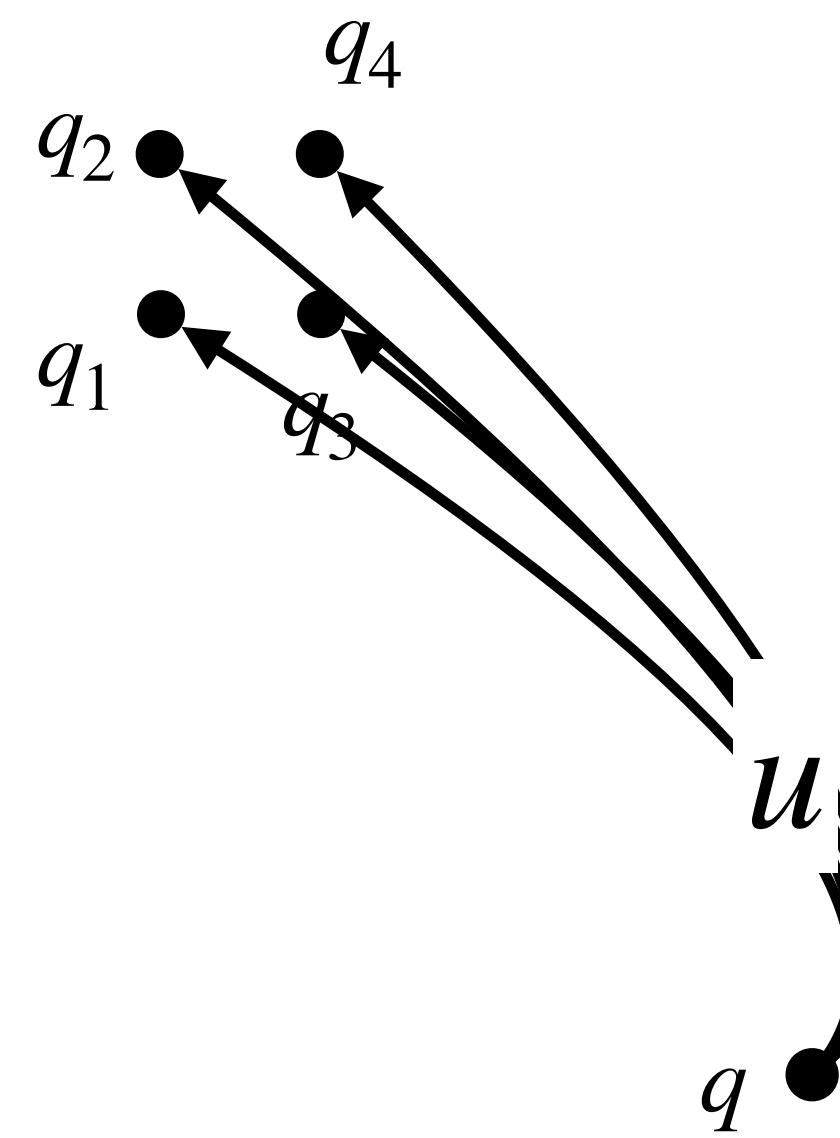
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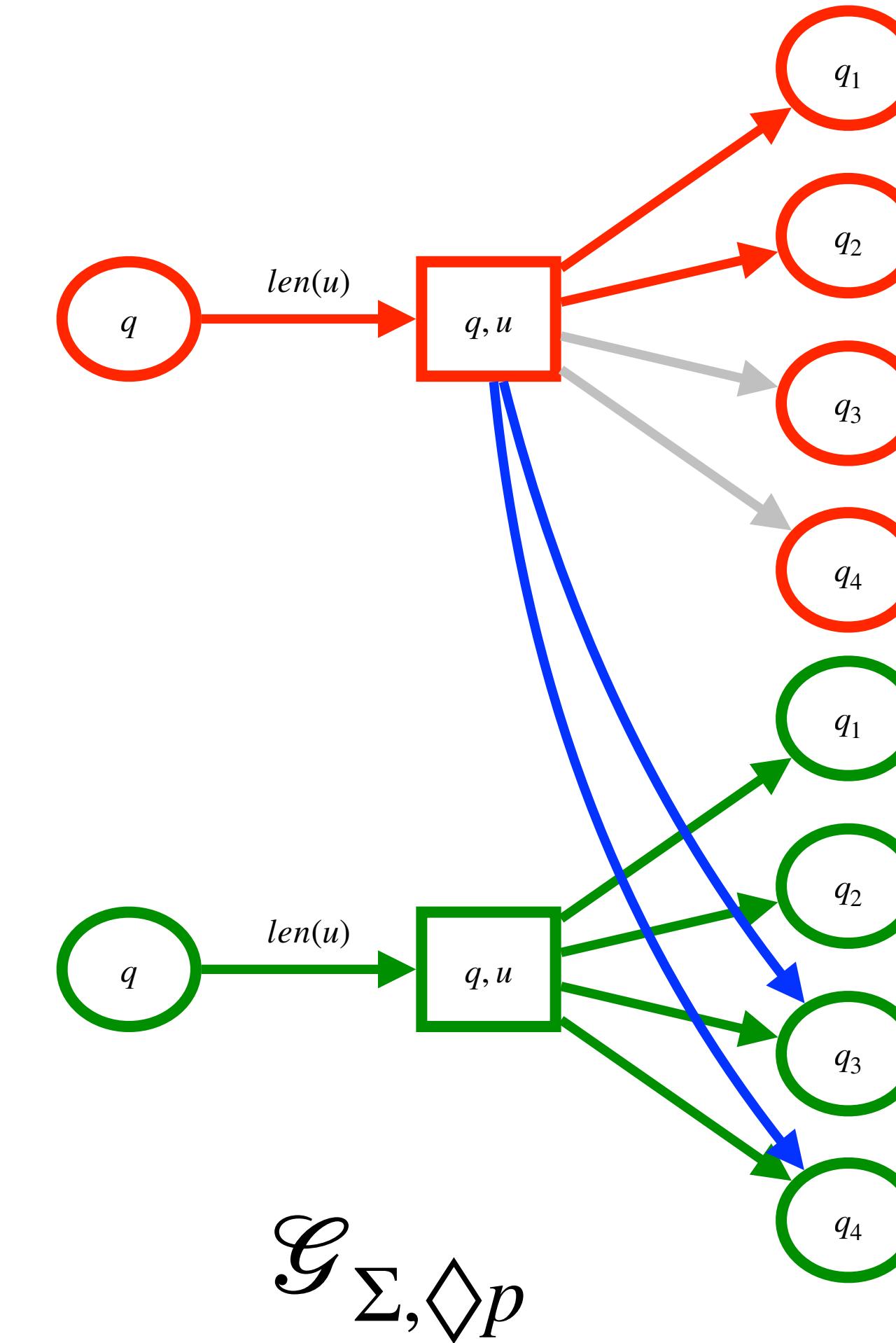
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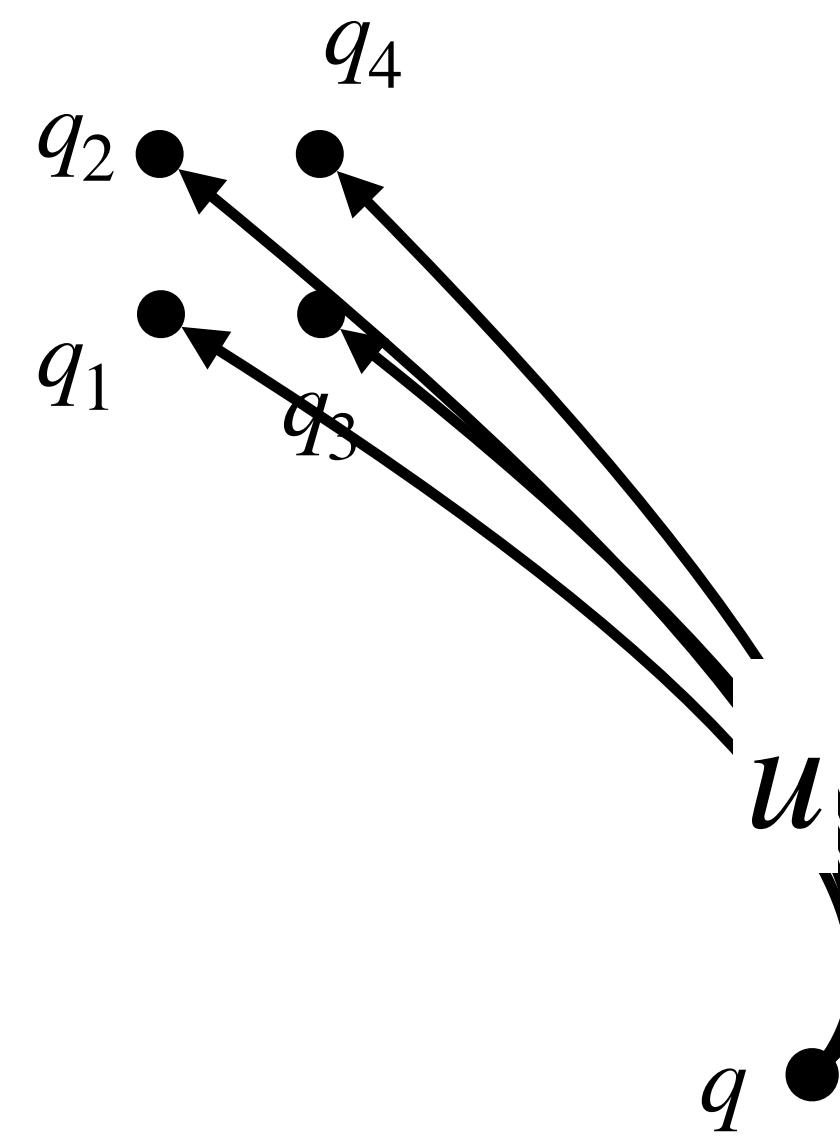
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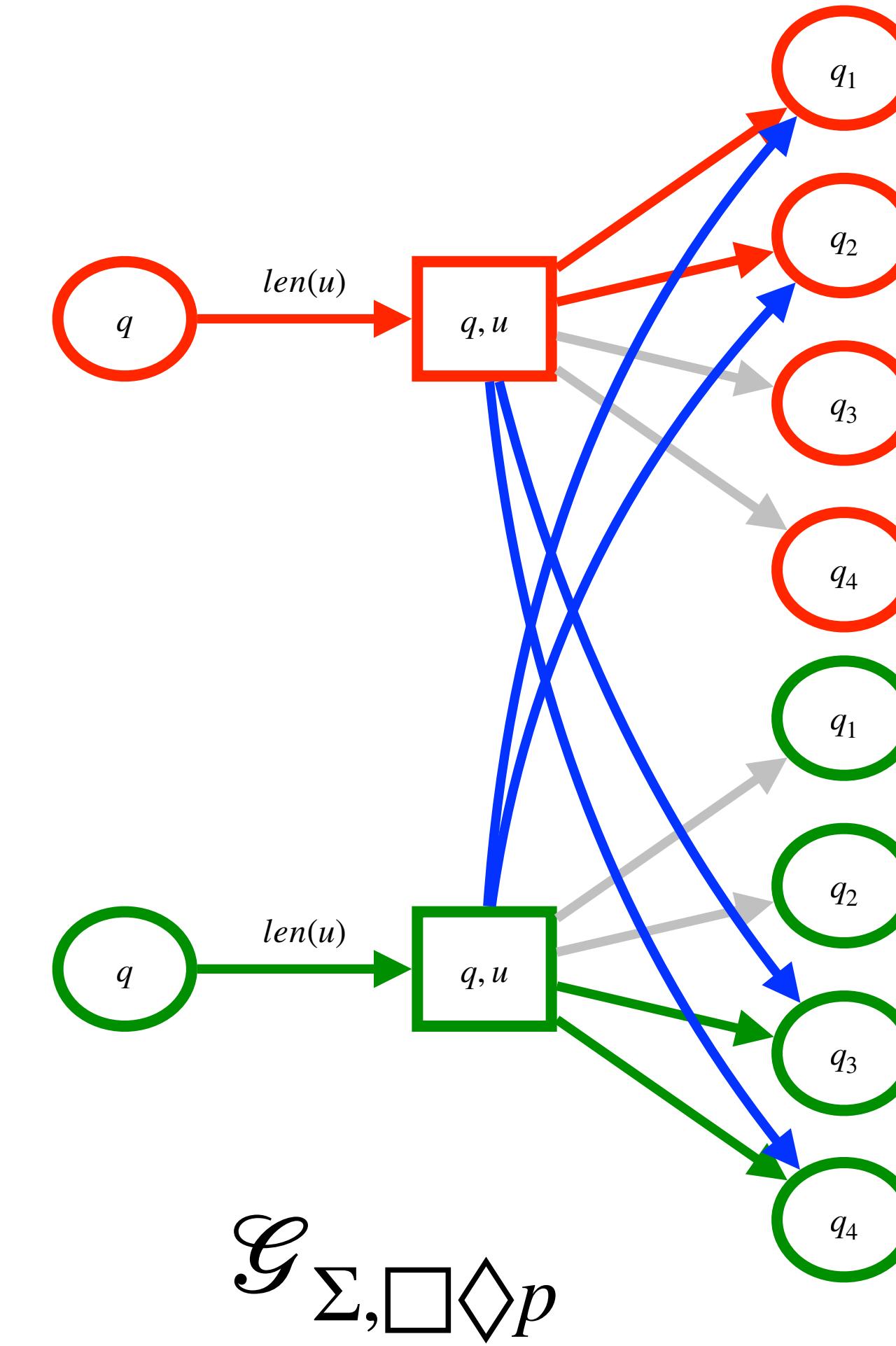
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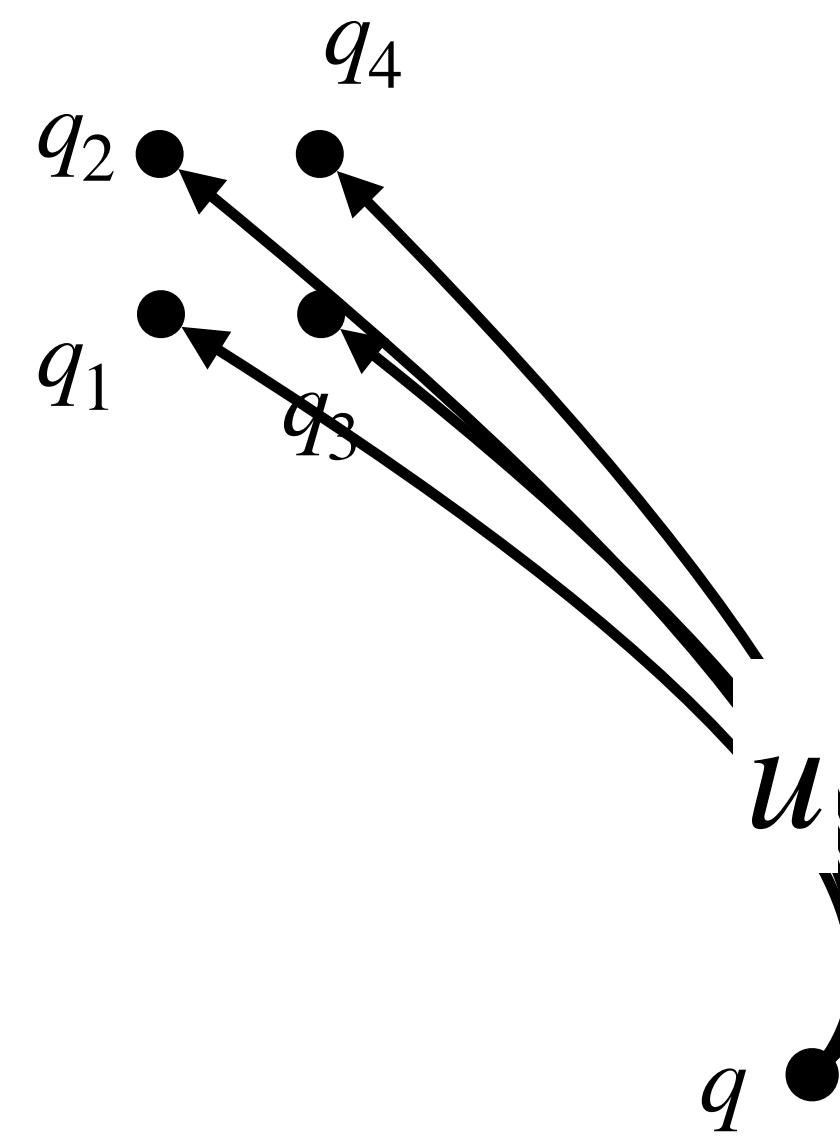


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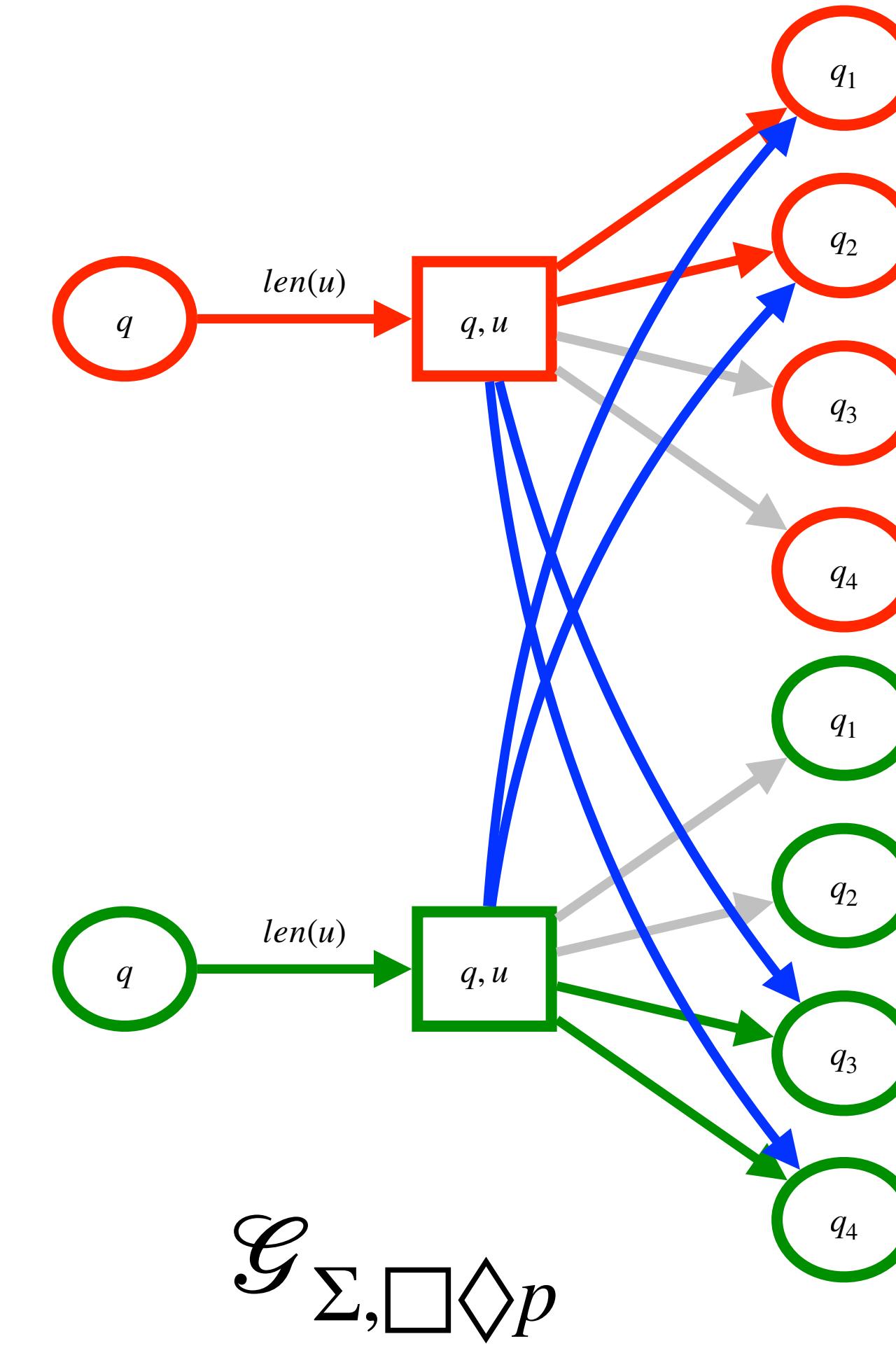
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Mean payoff parity game for recurrent



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In general

Theorem:

**Given a symbolic model S and a right-recursive LTL specification Φ ,
we can effectively build a game $\mathcal{G}_{S,\Phi}$ such that
from a winning strategy for the system in $\mathcal{G}_{S,\Phi}$
we can effectively construct a controller for S solving our problem**

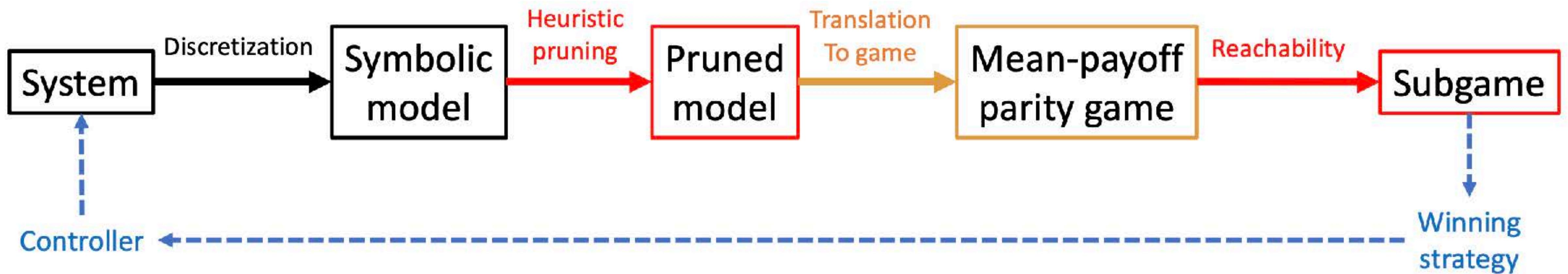
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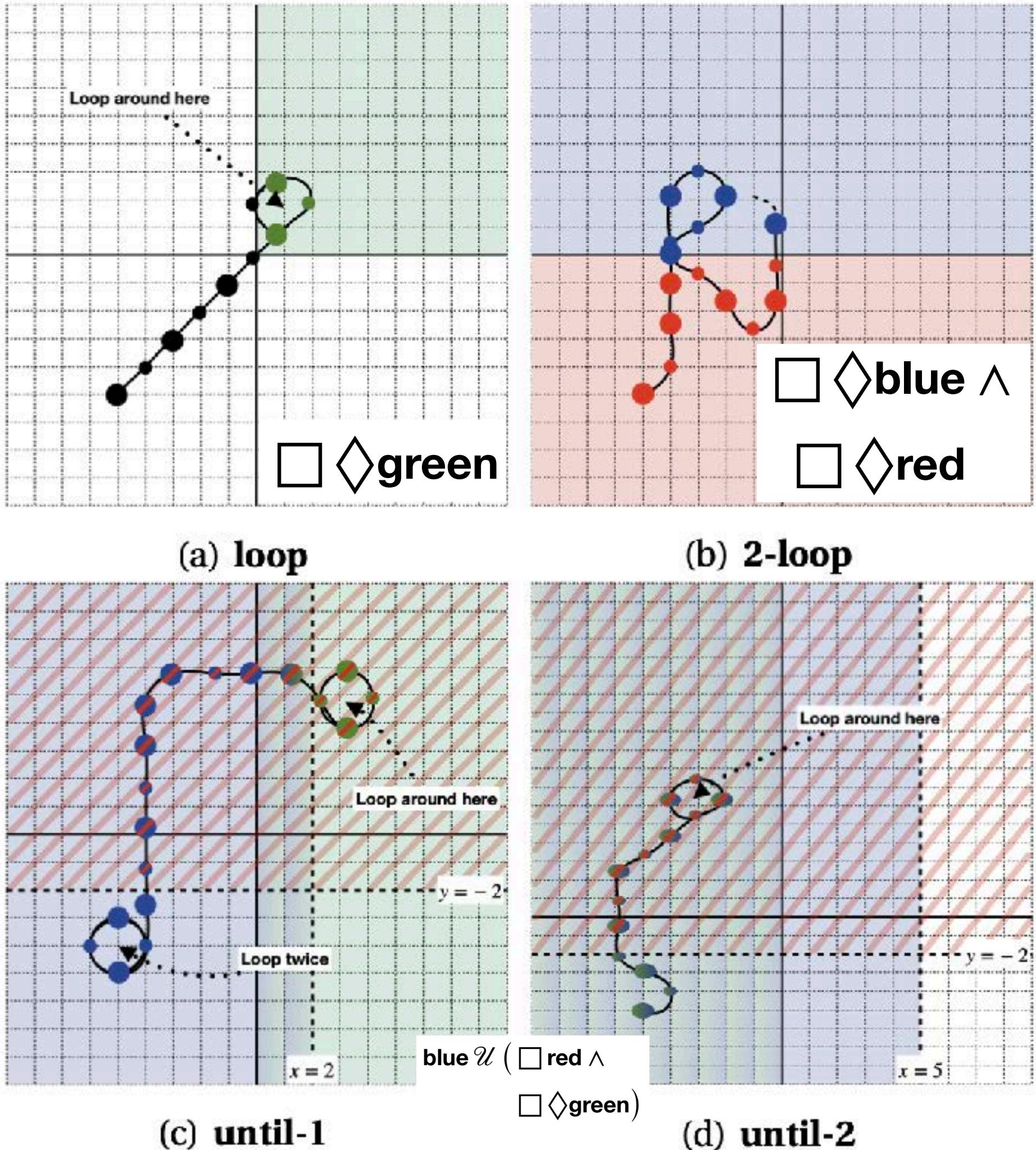
$$\widetilde{C}(q_1u_1q_2\dots u_nq_{n+1}) = \pi_2(S_s(q_1(q_1, u_1)\dots(q_n, u_n)q_{n+1}))$$

Overview of the method



Some experiments

spec.	no pre-comp.	reach	prune + reach	no pre-comp.	reach	prune + reach
loop	202	36	33	82272	12866	4920
2-loop	16131	853	157	658176	33780	4497
until-1	timeout	2351	211*	709506	35107	12853
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Monotony and optimality properties with KeYmaera X

Collaborations

Joint work with:

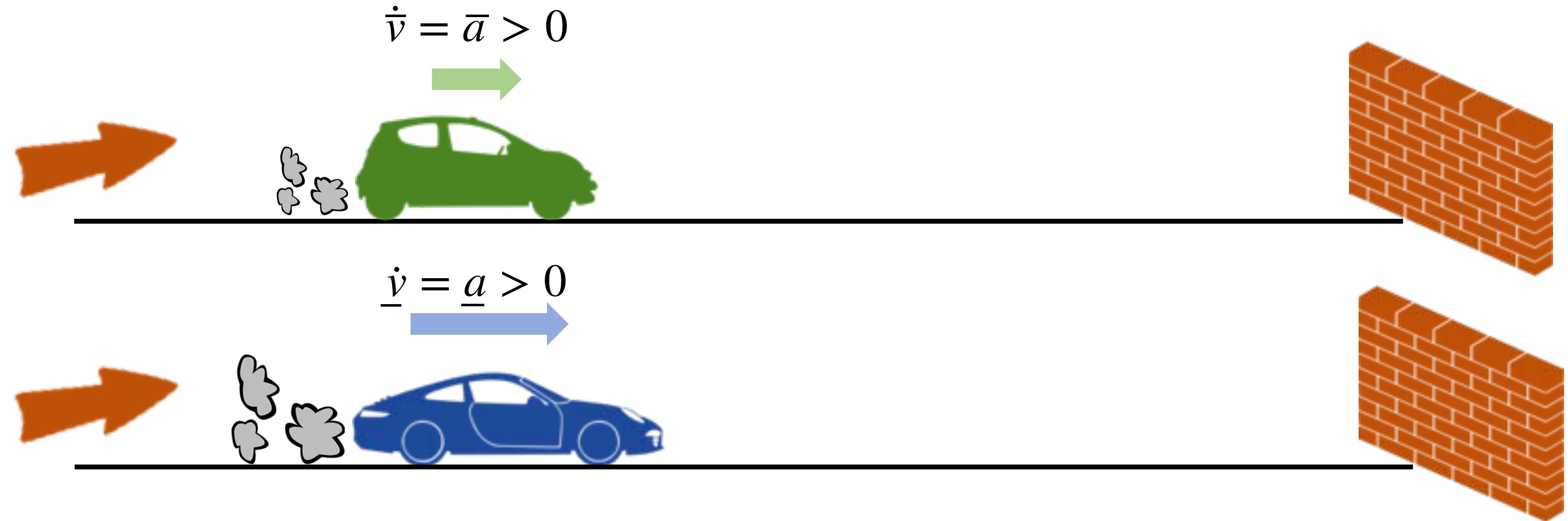
- from Tokyo: Ichiro Hasuo, Akihisa Yamada, David Sprunger, and Shin-ya Katsumata
(more recently, James Haydon)
- from France –> Denmark: Juraj Kolčák
- from the US: Brandon Bohrer

Initiated by discussions with Kenji Kamijo, Yoshiyuki Shinya, and Takamasa Suetomi from Mazda Motor Corporation

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- J. Kolčák, I. Hasuo, J. Dubut, S. Katsumata, D. Sprunger, A. Yamada, Relational Differential Dynamic Logic. TACAS'20.
- some implementations on GitHub

Title of the slide



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KeYmaera X in a nutshell

- A Hoare-triples-style syntax to formalise properties of hybrid system
- A sequent calculus to implement proofs of those properties
- A tool: KeYmaeraX

Ref: A. Platzer's group <http://symbolaris.com>

Hybrid programs and Hoare triples

Every execution of the program α starting from a state satisfying the property Γ , satisfies the property P

$$\Gamma \vdash [\alpha] P$$

Γ, P : sets of first order formulae of real arithmetic

α : hybrid program

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha ::= & \quad x := e \quad (\text{assignment}) \\ & | \ ?P \quad (\text{conditional}) \\ & | \ \alpha + \alpha \quad (\text{non-deterministic choice}) \\ & | \ \alpha; \alpha \quad (\text{sequential composition}) \\ & | \ \alpha^\star \quad (\text{iteration}) \\ & | \ \dot{x} = f(x) \ \& \ Q \quad (\text{continuous dynamics}) \\ & | \ \dots \end{aligned}$$

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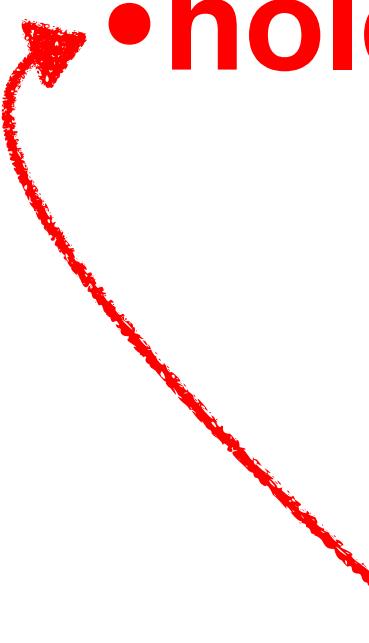
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Loop invariants

$$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \mathbf{Inv} \quad \mathbf{Inv} \vdash [\alpha] \mathbf{Inv} \quad \mathbf{Inv} \vdash P}{\Gamma \vdash [\alpha^\star] P} (\mathbf{LI})$$

Differential invariants?

$$\dot{x} = e \ \& \ Q \quad \simeq \quad (?Q; x := x + dt \cdot e)^\star; ?Q$$

$$\frac{\Gamma, Q \vdash \text{Inv} \quad \text{Inv}, Q \vdash \text{Inv}(x \leftarrow x + dt \cdot e) \quad \text{Inv} \vdash P}{\Gamma \vdash [\dot{x} = e \ \& \ Q]P} \quad (\text{dtl})$$

Assume that $P = \text{Inv} \equiv f = 0$. We want something to ensure:

$$f(\omega) = 0 \Rightarrow f(\omega + dt \cdot e(\omega)) = 0$$

It is enough to require that f is constant along the dynamics, that is, if ψ is a solution of $\dot{x} = e$, then $K : t \mapsto f(\psi(t))$ is constant, that is, its derivative is zero.

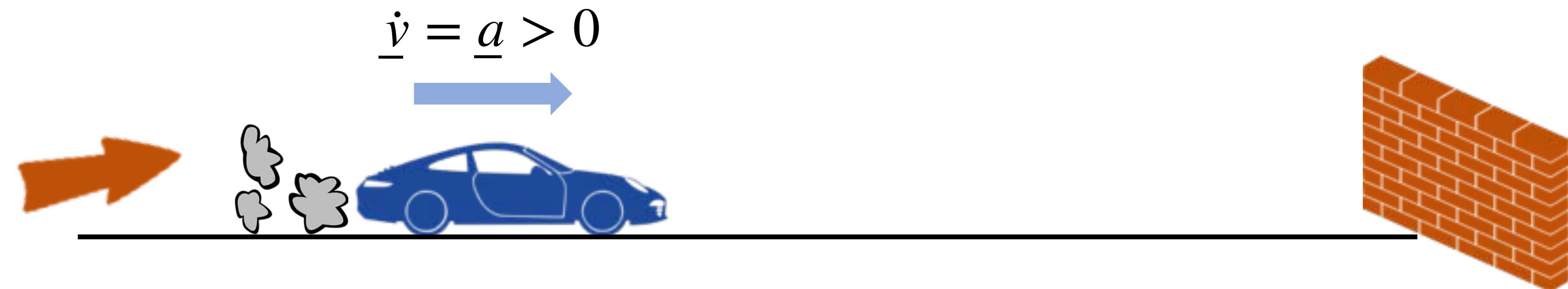
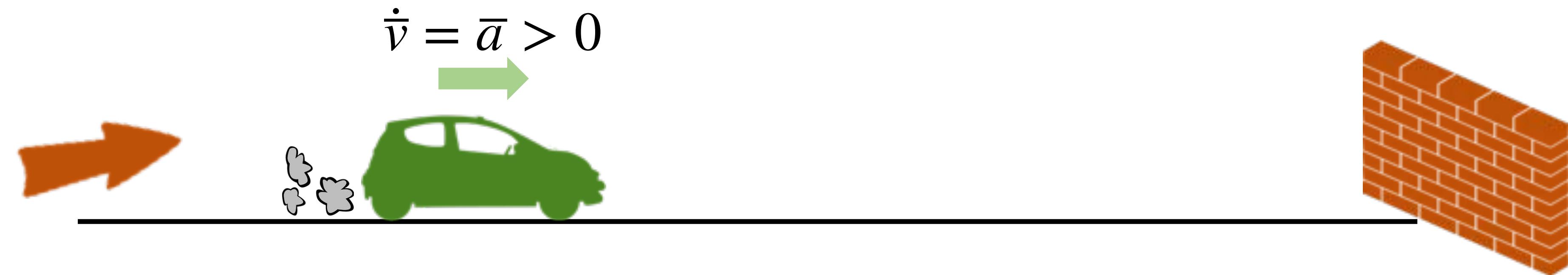
$$\dot{K}(t) = \sum_{x \in X} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(\psi(t)) \cdot \dot{\psi}(t) = \sum_{x \in X} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(\psi(t)) \cdot e_x(\psi(t))$$

So it is enough that the function $\mathcal{L}_e f = \sum_{x \in X} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \cdot e_x$ to be zero along the dynamics.

Differential invariants

$$\frac{\Gamma, Q \vdash f = 0 \quad \Gamma \vdash [\dot{x} = e \& Q] \mathcal{L}_e f = 0}{\Gamma \vdash [\dot{x} = e \& Q] f = 0} (\mathbf{DI})$$

Basic example: simplified ISO26262



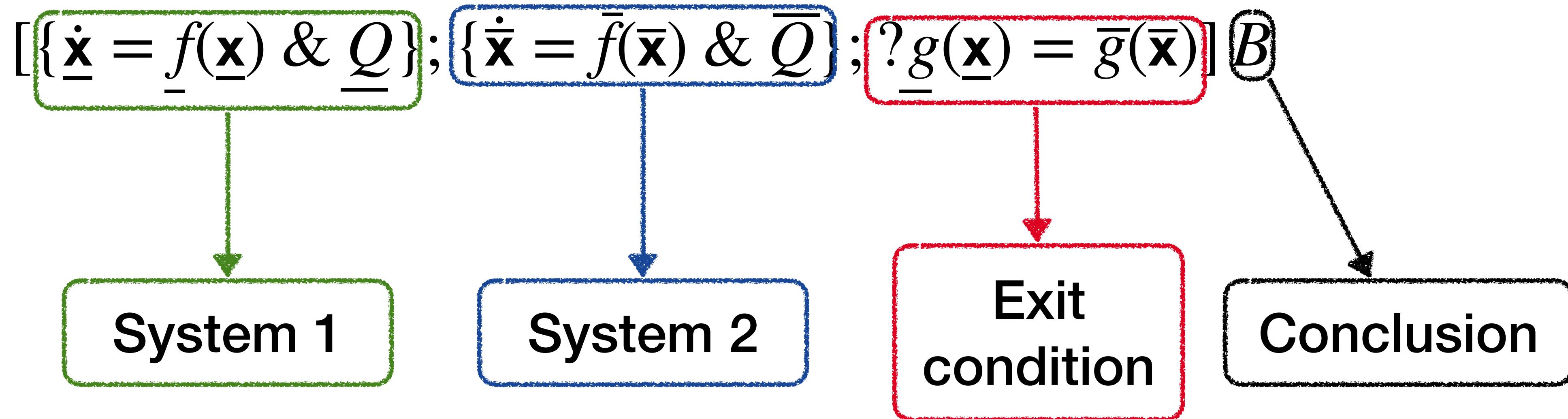
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Simplified ISO26262 as Hoare triple

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Relational formulae



Relational invariants

$$\frac{\Gamma, \underline{Q}, \overline{Q} \vdash \mathbf{Inv} \quad \mathbf{Inv} \vdash [\underline{\delta}; \overline{\delta}; ?E] \mathbf{Inv} \quad \mathbf{Inv}, E \vdash B}{\Gamma \vdash [\underline{\delta}; \overline{\delta}; ?E] B} (\mathbf{RI})$$

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(easy proof)

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Problem to tackle

We want a method that:

- does not require the solutions of the differential equations in any way
- transforms the two dynamics into one unique, so that we can use known methods from differential invariants.

Two systems into one?

What we have now:

- one system on $\underline{x}, \underline{v}$
- one system on \bar{x}, \bar{v}

that take different times to arrive at a particular position.

What we want:

- one system on $\underline{x}, \underline{v}, \bar{x}, \bar{v}$ such that the positions are synchronised,
that is, at all time t :

$$\underline{x}(t) = \bar{x}(t)$$

Time stretching

Crucial idea: reparametrise the time of \bar{x}, \bar{v}

Time stretch function: derivable function $k : \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with

$$\dot{k} > 0$$

Reparamatrised dynamics: let $\dot{x} = f(x)$ be a differential equation.

Its reparametrisation by k is $\dot{x} = \dot{k}(t) \cdot f(x)$.

Proposition:

x is a solution of $\dot{x} = f(x)$ iff
 $x \circ k$ is a solution of $\dot{x} = \dot{k}(t) \cdot f(x)$.

Is it OK?

Proposition:

Fix some initial condition x_0 . Then

$$\{x(t) \mid x \text{ sol. of } \dot{x} = f(x) \text{ at } x_0\} = \{x(t) \mid x \text{ sol. of } \dot{x} = k(t) \cdot f(x) \text{ at } x_0\}.$$

Why is it OK then?

- we do not care about « at time t , the vehicle is at position x with speed v »
- we care about « at position x , the vehicle has speed v »

Which reparametrisation for ISO26262?

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We have a time stretch function $k : \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that for every x

$$k(\underline{t}(x)) = \bar{t}(x)$$

given by:

$$k(t) = \frac{\sqrt{at^2 + 2\underline{v}_0\bar{a}t + \bar{v}_0^2} - \bar{v}_0}{\bar{a}}$$

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But we have:

$$\bar{\psi}_x(k(t)) = \underline{\psi}_x(t)$$

Then:

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In general, for relational formulae

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and

$$\dot{\bar{x}} = \bar{f}(\bar{x})$$

under the exit condition

$$\underline{g}(\underline{x}) = \bar{g}(\bar{x})$$

we consider:

$$\dot{\underline{x}} = \underline{f}(\underline{x}), \dot{\bar{x}} = \frac{\mathcal{L}_{\underline{f}} \underline{g}}{\mathcal{L}_{\bar{f}} \bar{g}} \cdot \bar{f}(\bar{x})$$

Synchronisation rule

$$\frac{\Gamma, \underline{Q}, \bar{Q} \vdash E \quad \Gamma \vdash [\underline{\delta}] \mathcal{L}_{\underline{f}} \underline{g} > 0 \quad \Gamma \vdash [\bar{\delta}] \mathcal{L}_{\bar{f}} \bar{g} > 0 \quad \Gamma \vdash [\delta] B}{\Gamma \vdash [\underline{\delta}; \bar{\delta}; ?E] B} (\mathbf{Syn})$$

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Let's prove the following statement with the (**Syn**) rule:

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with $R \equiv \bar{a}(\underline{v}^2 - \underline{v}_0^2) = \underline{a}(\bar{v}^2 - \bar{v}_0^2)$, that is:

- $\underline{v} > 0, \underline{a} \geq 0 \vdash [\dot{x} = \underline{v}, \dot{v} = \underline{a}] \underline{v} > 0$ (easy with differential invariant)
- $\bar{v} > 0, \bar{a} \geq 0 \vdash [\dot{\bar{x}} = \bar{v}, \dot{\bar{v}} = \bar{a}] \bar{v} > 0$ (easy with differential invariant)
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using differential invariant rule:

$$R \vdash [\{\dot{x} = \underline{v}, \dot{v} = \underline{a}, \dot{\bar{x}} = \frac{\underline{v}}{\bar{v}} \cdot \bar{v}, \dot{\bar{v}} = \frac{\underline{v}}{\bar{v}} \cdot \bar{a}\}] 2\bar{v}\underline{a} = 2\underline{a}\bar{v}\frac{\underline{v}}{\bar{v}}\bar{a}$$

Summary so far

Guideline:

- start with two independent systems and compare them under some conditions
- synchronise them by reparametrising one of them using the (**Syn**) rule
- use usual invariant techniques from dL

Case studies:

- monotonicity properties
- abstraction

What is a good safety distance? The French law

On a French highway, when driving at 130km/h with normal conditions, the law states a safety distance of 73m.

Explanation:

- $73\text{m} = 2\text{s}$ at $130\text{km/h} \sim 36.5\text{m/s}$
- $2\text{s} >>$ usual reaction time ($\sim 1\text{s}$)
- So with 73m distance, a driver has time to react and brake at least as much as the vehicle in front of them to avoid collision

Why this is not a good definition:

- Assume that every car can brake the same ways
- Does not take comfort into account: if the car in front of you brake hard or collide, you have to brake hard too

In practice (2 lines = 91m):



What is a good safety distance?

The maths

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For $v_f = v = 36.5m/s$

$$b_{\max} = 8m/s^2$$

$$b_{\text{comf}} = 4m/s^2$$

$$d_{\text{safe}} = 83m$$

Is this optimal?

Optimality

Optimality here means: braking at maximal comfortable rate is the comfortable strategy that makes the distance to full stop the smallest

In KeYmaera X:

$$\Gamma \vdash [(\dot{x} = v, \dot{v} = -b_{\min} \& v \geq 0) ; (a := *; ?(-b_{\min} \leq a < 0) ; (\dot{y} = u, \dot{u} = a \& u \geq 0))^*] \ (v = 0 \wedge u = 0) \Rightarrow x \leq y$$

Which is provable using our Sync rule!

In total, we have formal guarantees of safety and of optimality.

What is a good safety distance?

The maths II

Step 2: incorporating the reaction time, what is the minimal distance for which I cannot do whatever I want otherwise I may not be able to react on time to safely and comfortably brake

Assumptions:

- Same as before
- Reaction time is ρ , and maximal possible acceleration is a_{\max}

Then, the RSS distance is given by:

$$d_{\text{RSS}} = v\rho + \frac{a_{\max}\rho^2}{2} + \frac{(v + a_{\max}\rho)^2}{2b_{\text{comf}}} - \frac{v_f^2}{2b_{\max}}$$

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For $a_{\max} = 0m/s^2$
 $\rho = 1s$
 $d_{\text{RSS}} = 120m$

A safe and comfortable controller

At every control loop, do:

- If the distance is bigger than the RSS distance, do whatever you want
- If the distance is smaller than the RSS distance, brake with maximal comfortable rate

This has been formalise in KeYmaera X and formally proved safe (even before the RSS paper)

No optimality of any sort has been formally proved

Optimality of the RSS distance

It can be formulated as follows:

- The RSS controller is safe and comfortable, and
- If you replace the RSS distance by a smaller distance in the previous controller, then there is a scenario in which you cannot safely and comfortably brake

Claimed in the RSS paper, but never formally proved

Future research: can we prove it using the Sync rule?

Optimality of the controller

It can be formulated as follows:

- The RSS controller is safe and comfortable, and
- Any safe and comfortable controller is not doing any better than this controller

It is not clear what “any better” would mean here:

- More progress
- Faster
- More comfortable

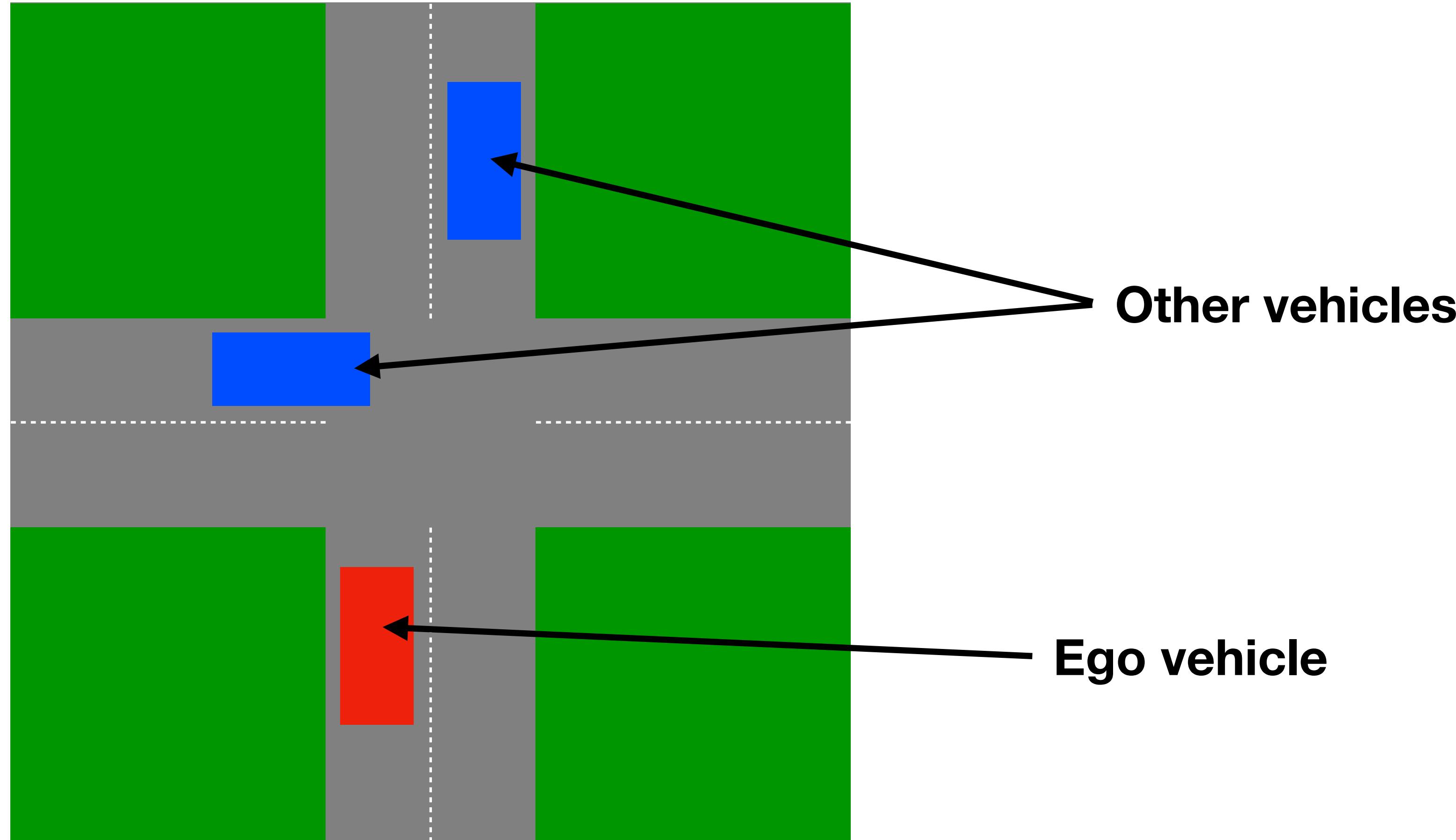
Whatever the measure of “any better”, the RSS controller is not optimal.

Future research:

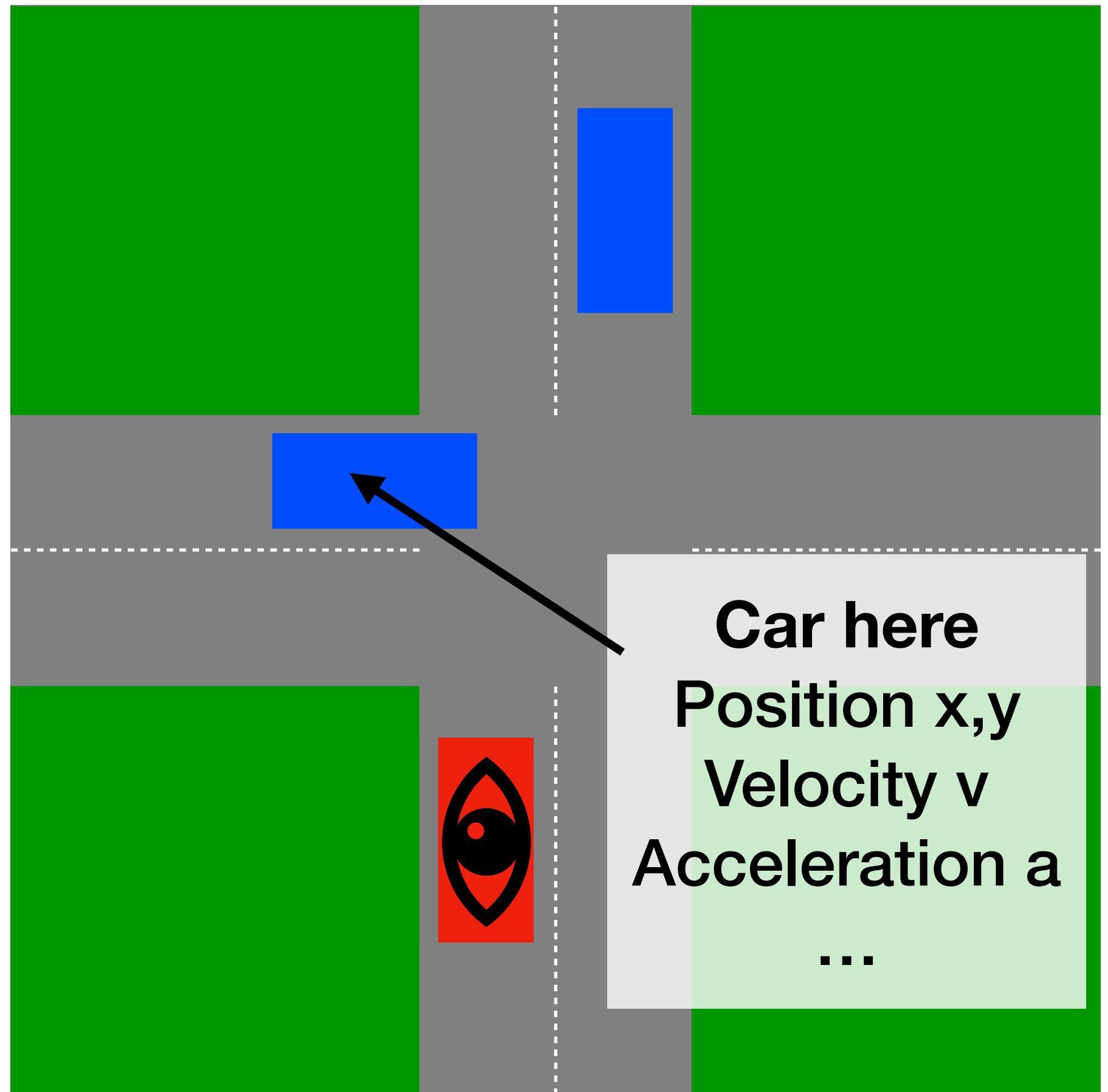
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- **How can we prove its optimality?**

Decision making using game theory

Decision making?

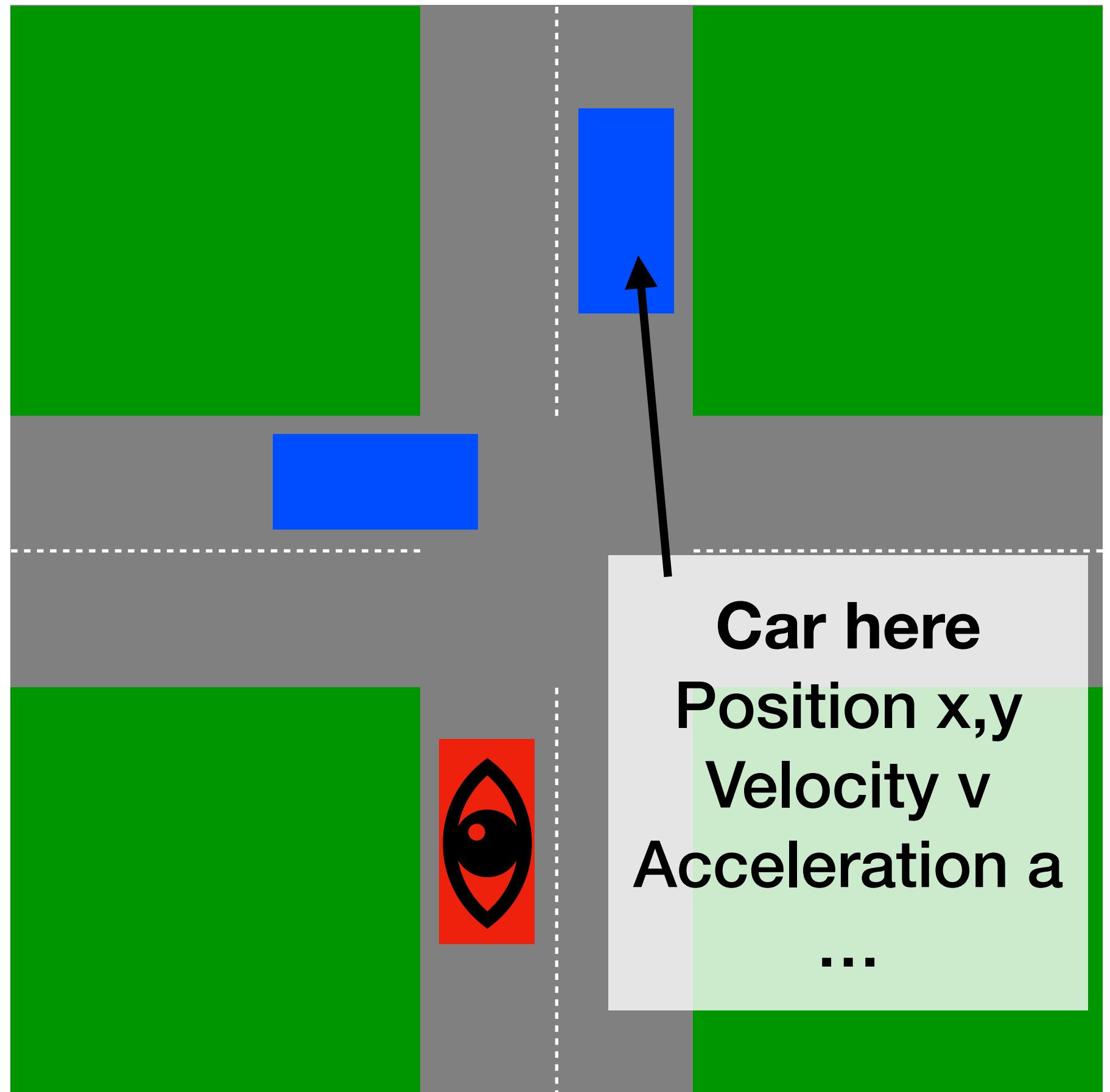


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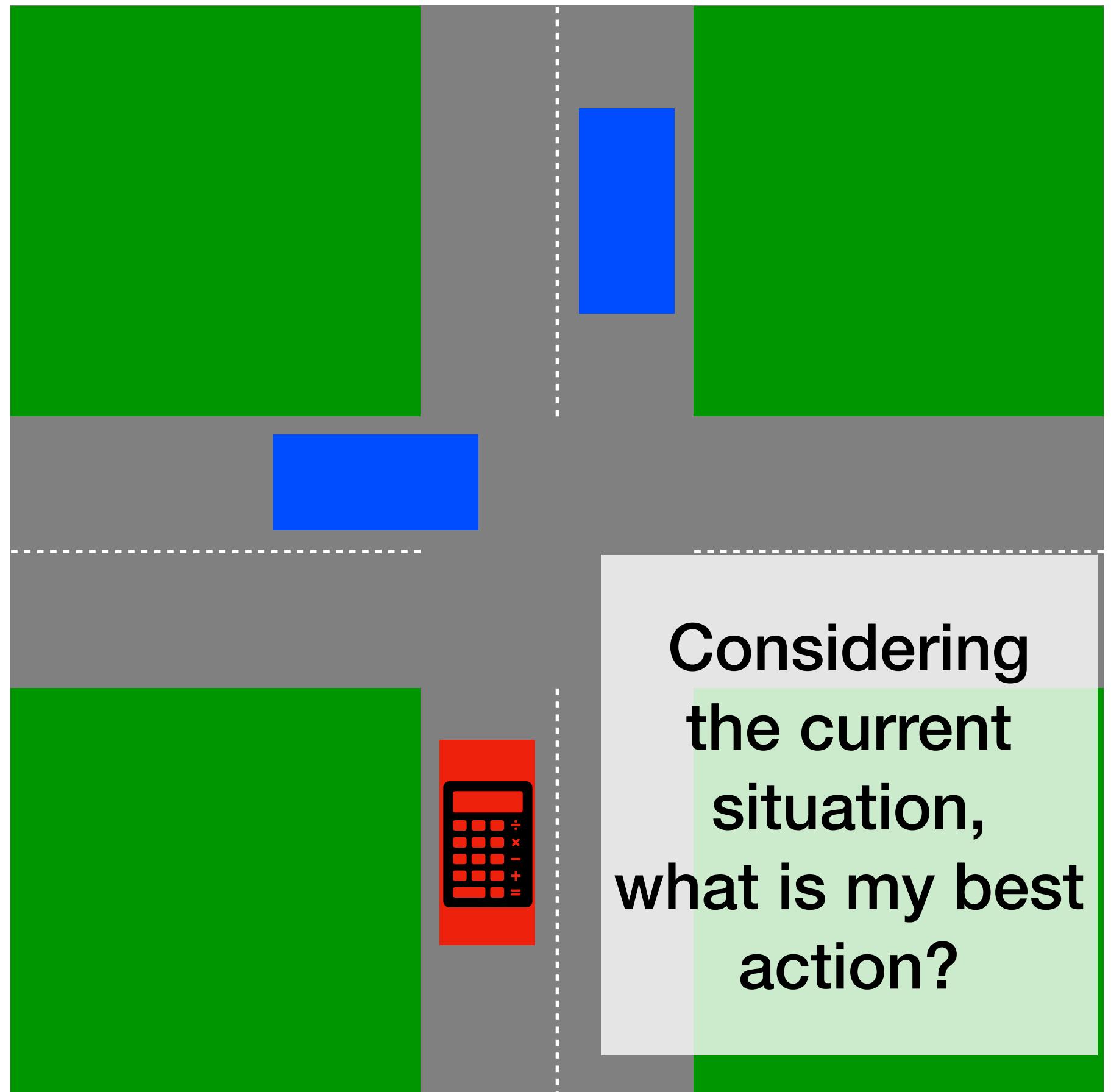
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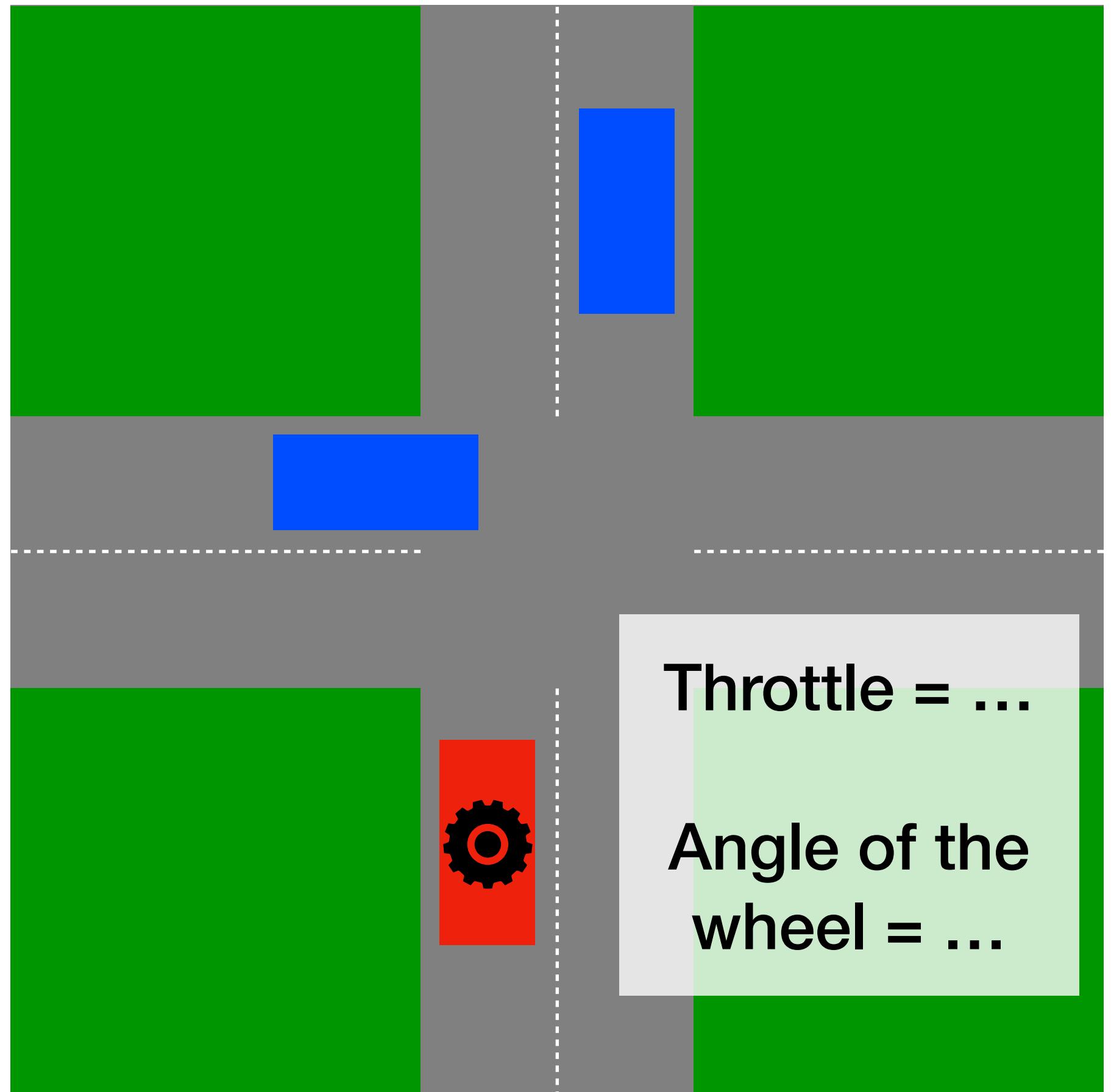
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Step 2: Computation

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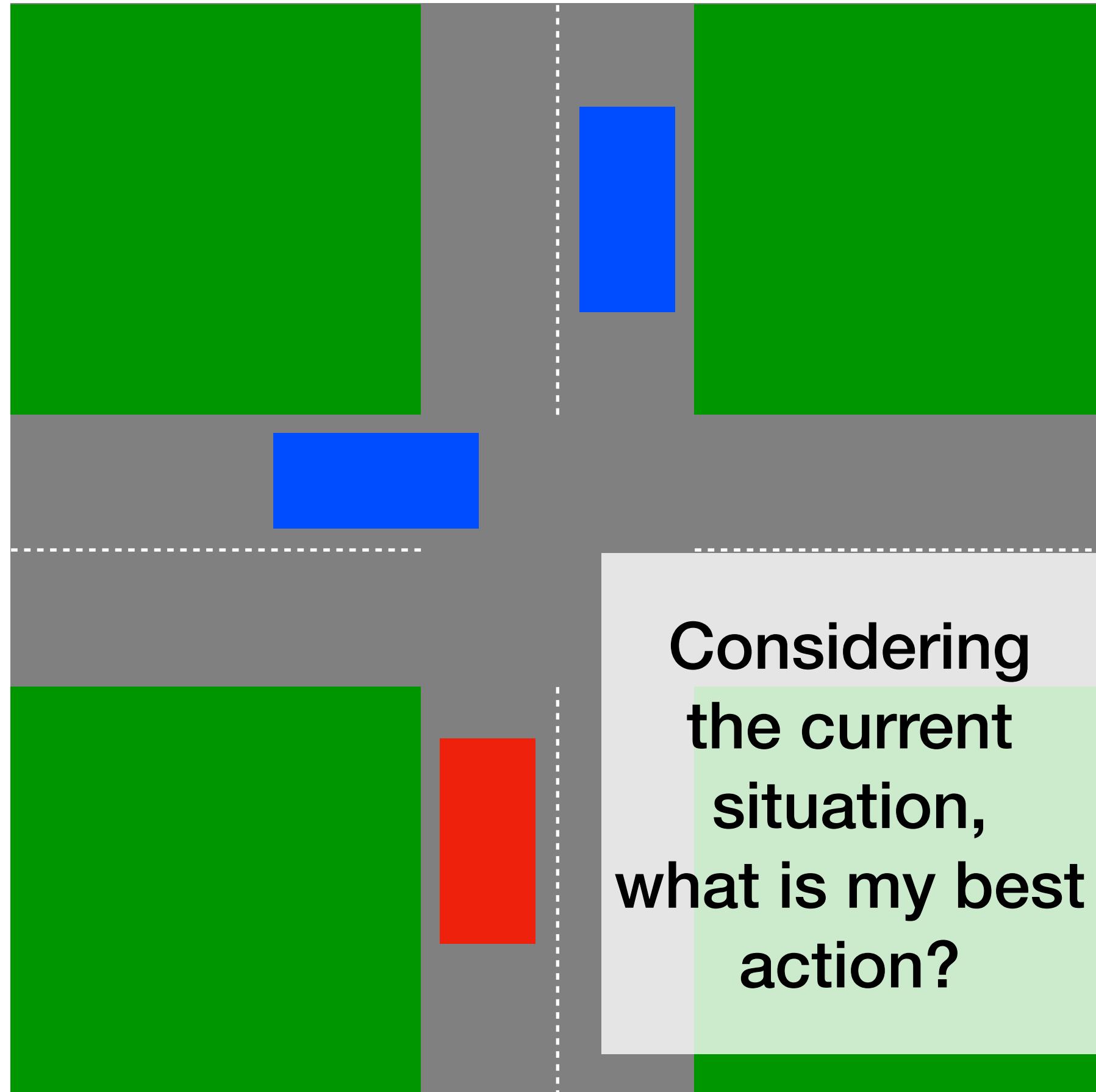


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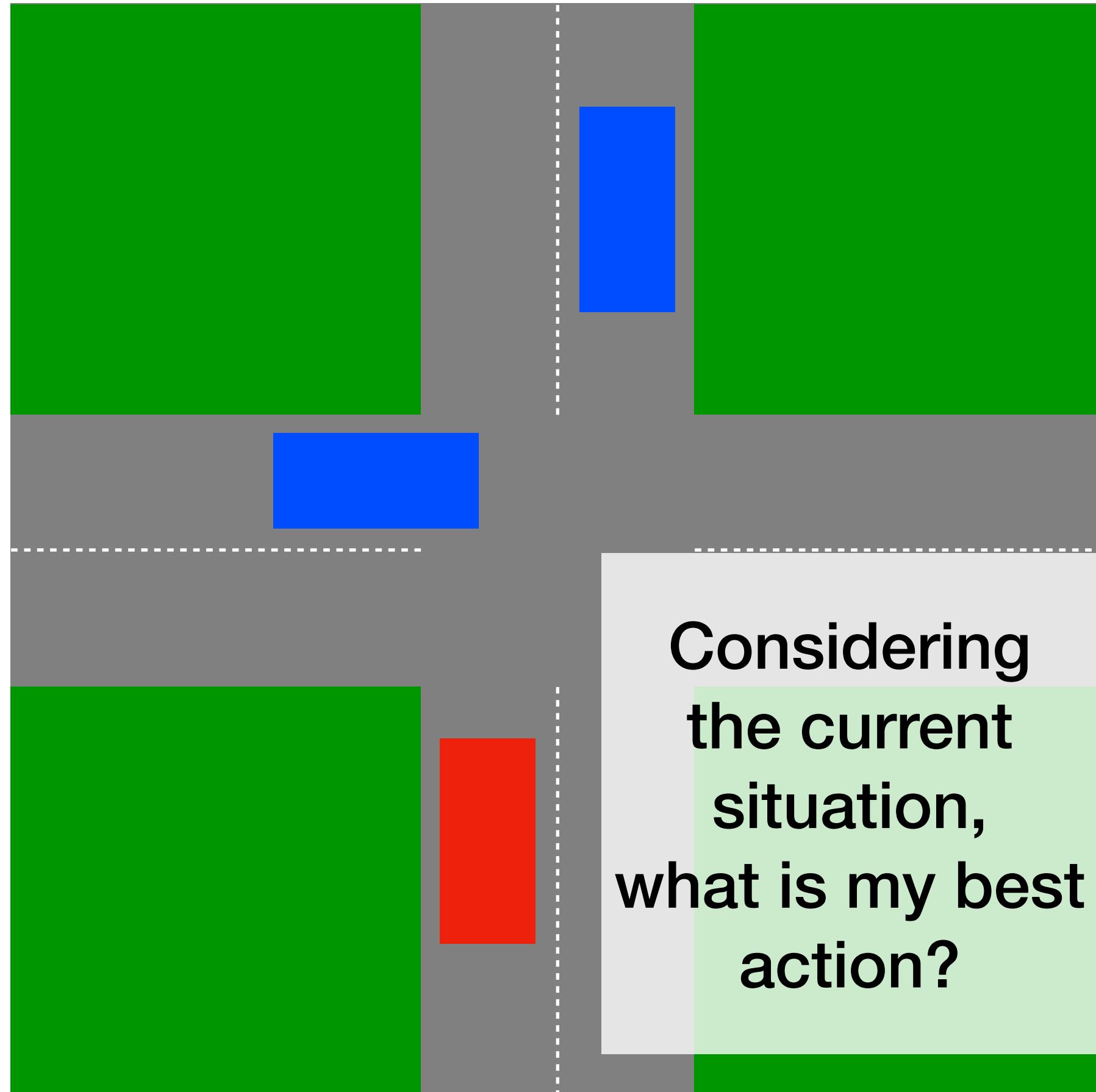


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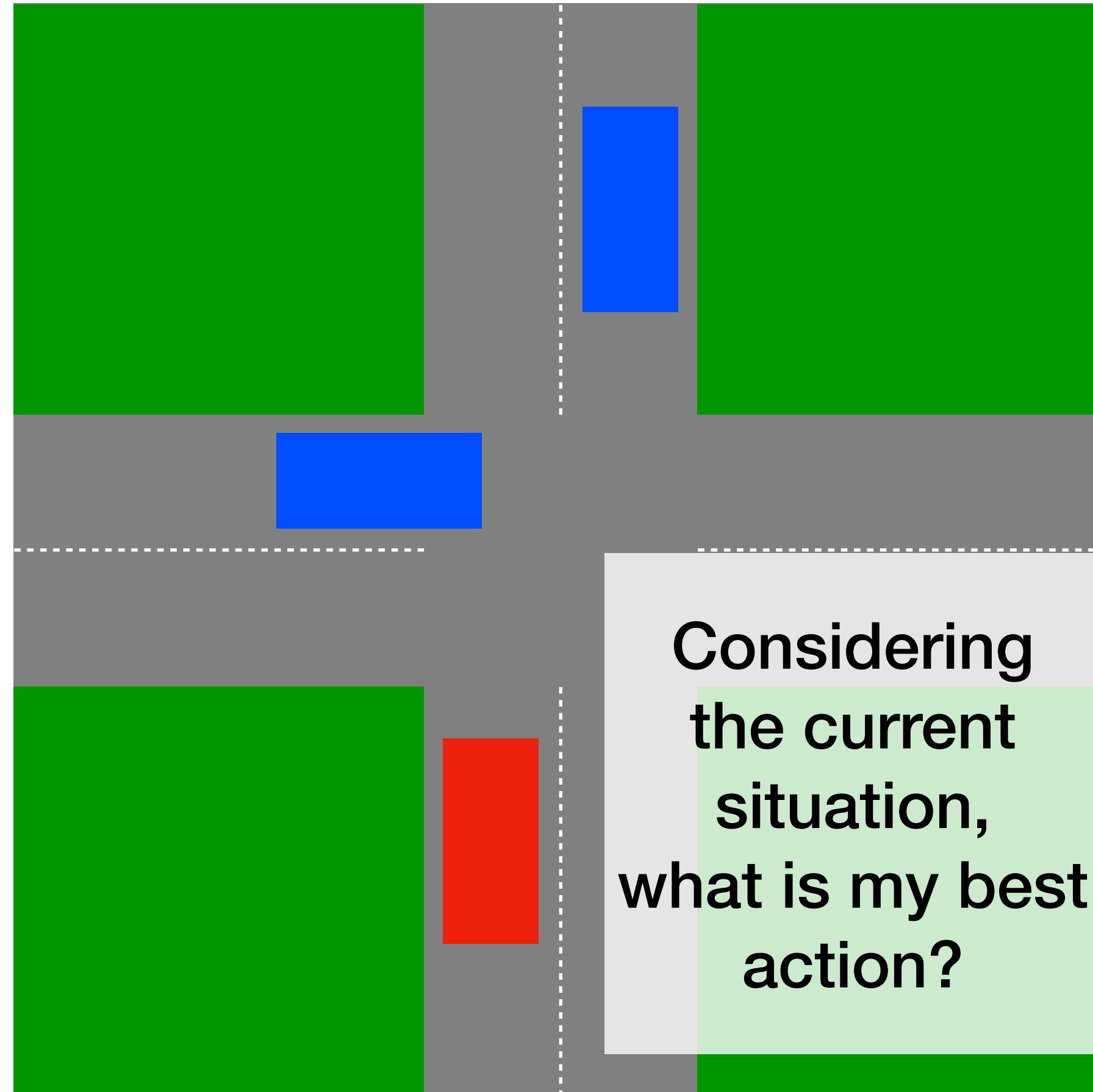


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- Learning methods
- Game theoretic methods

Decision making?



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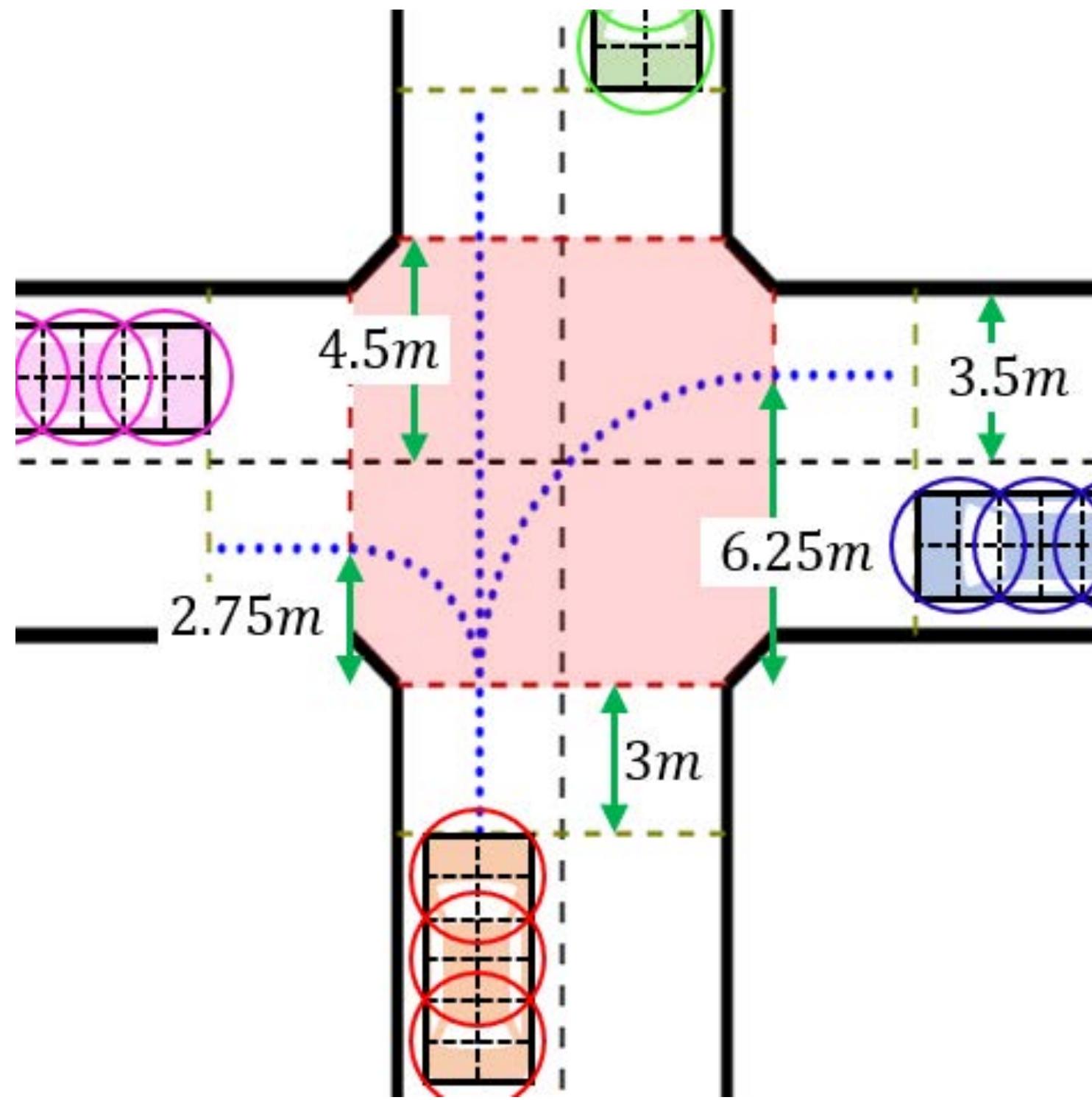
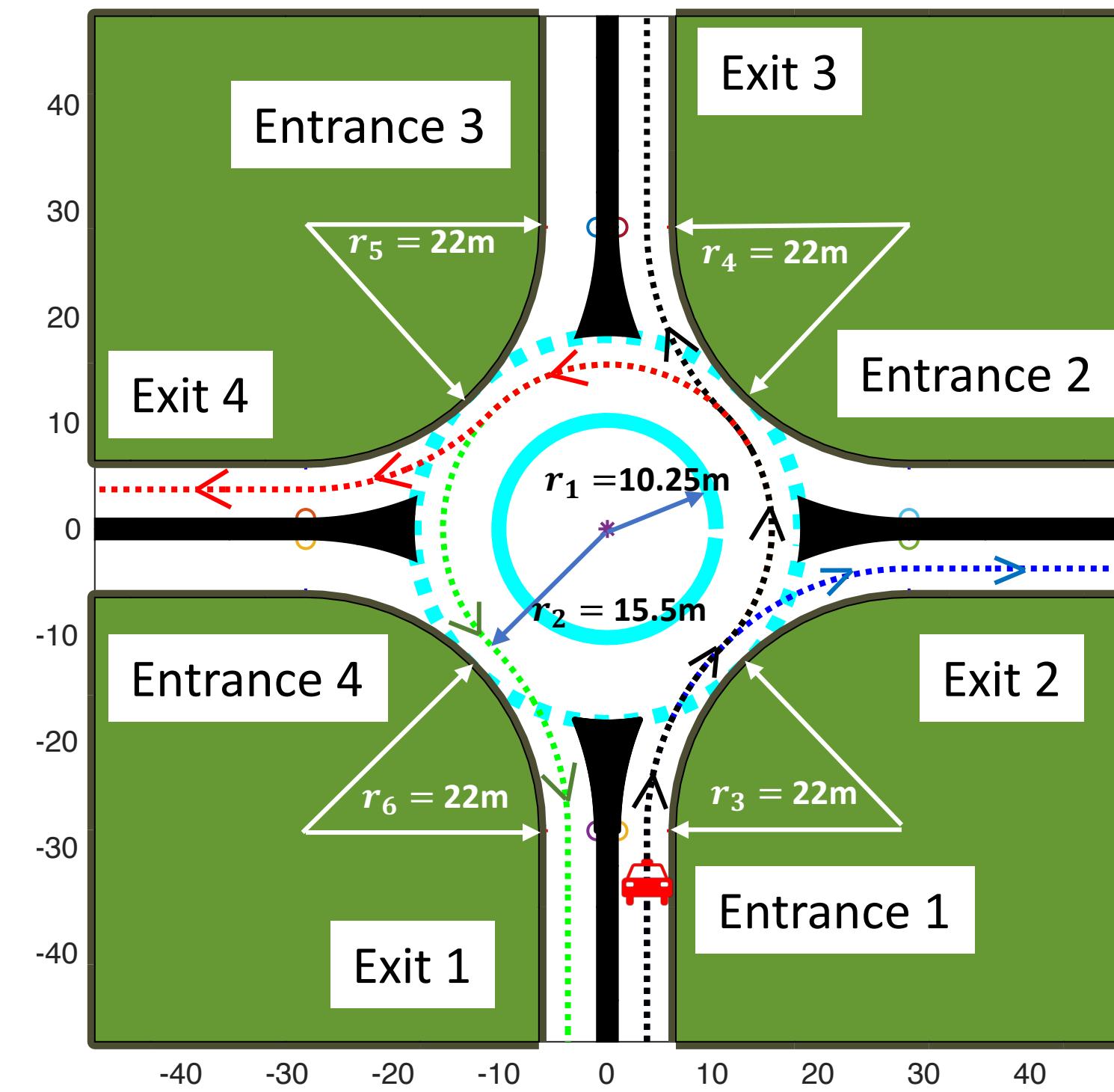
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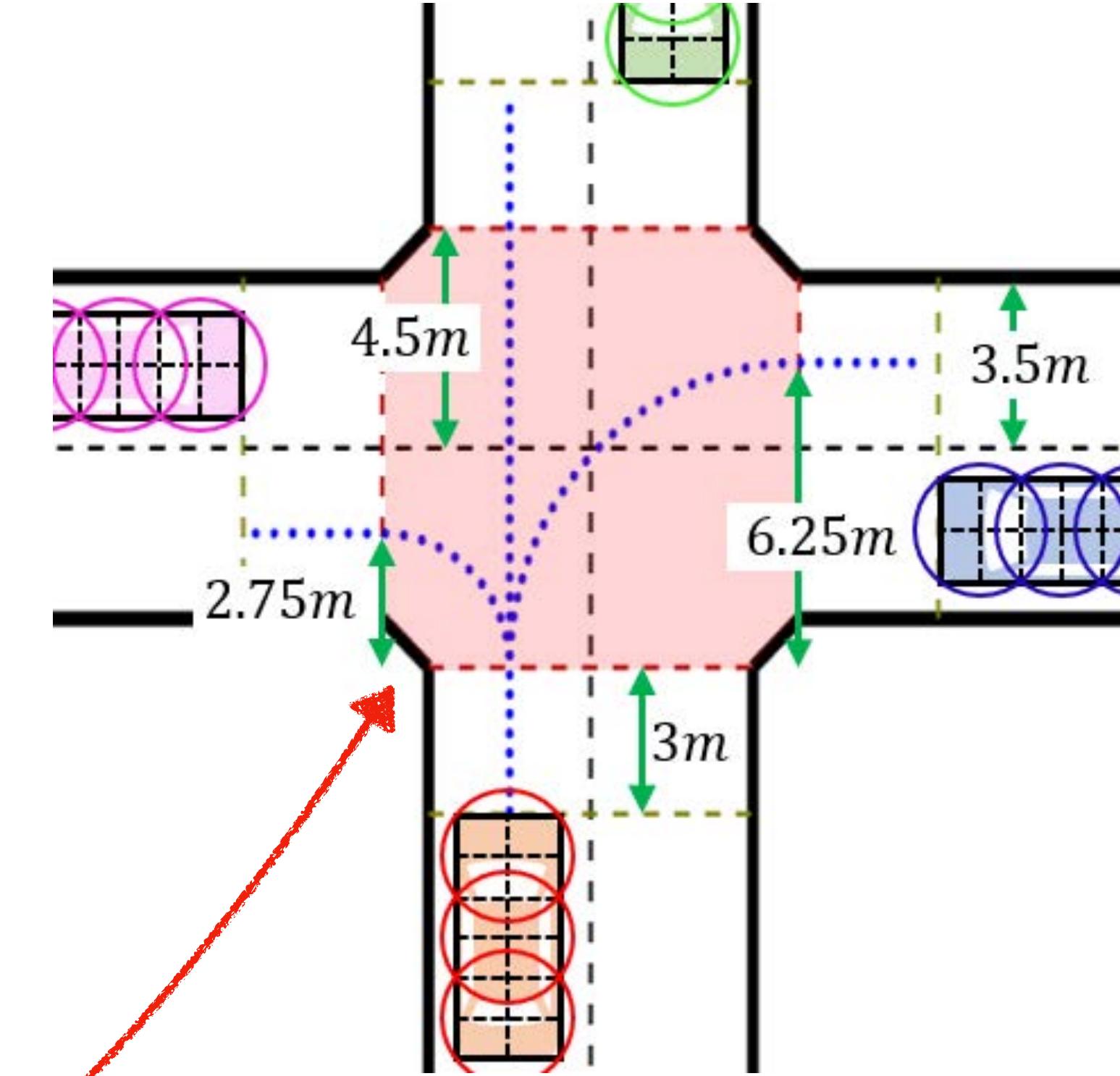
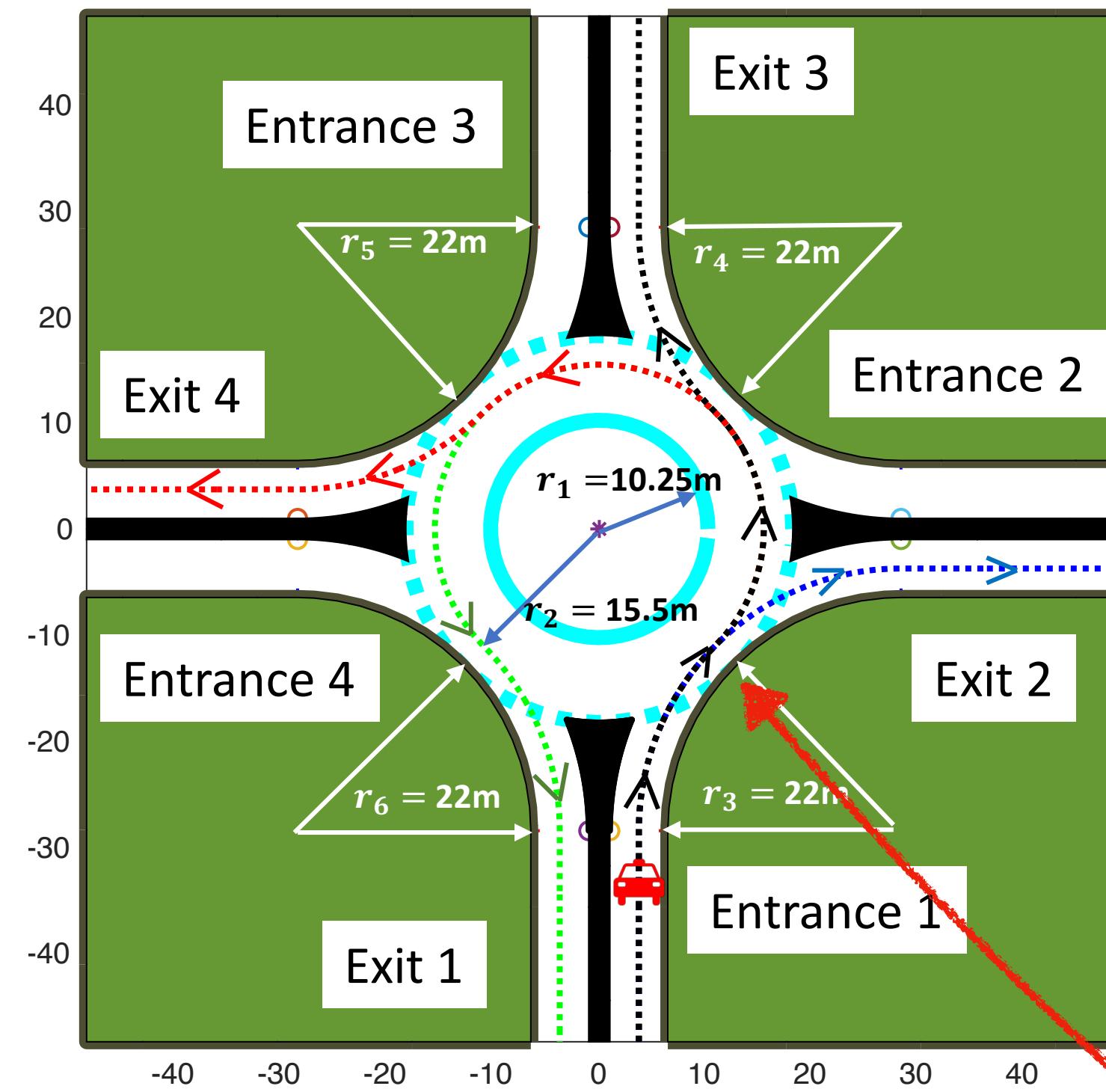
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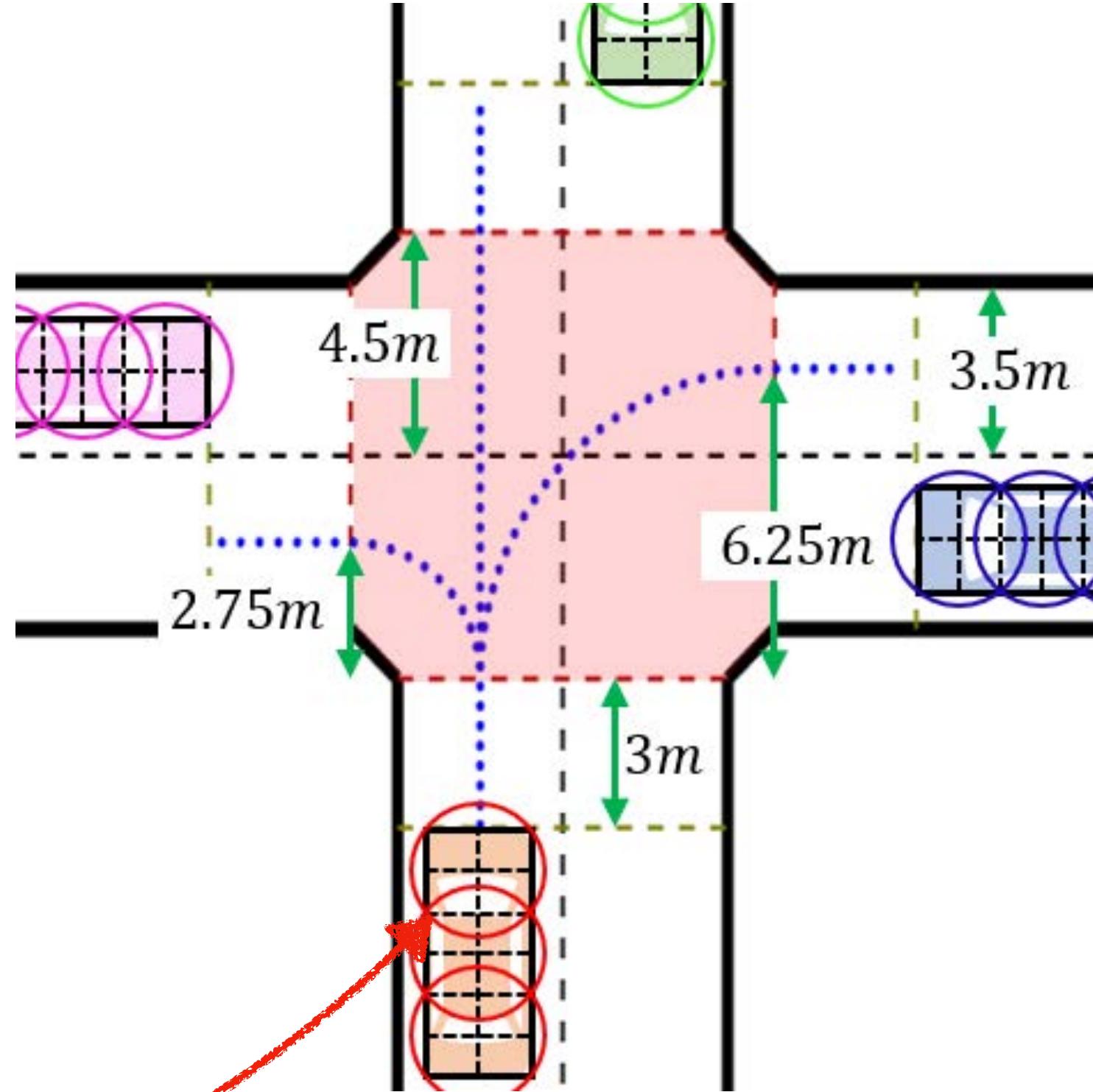
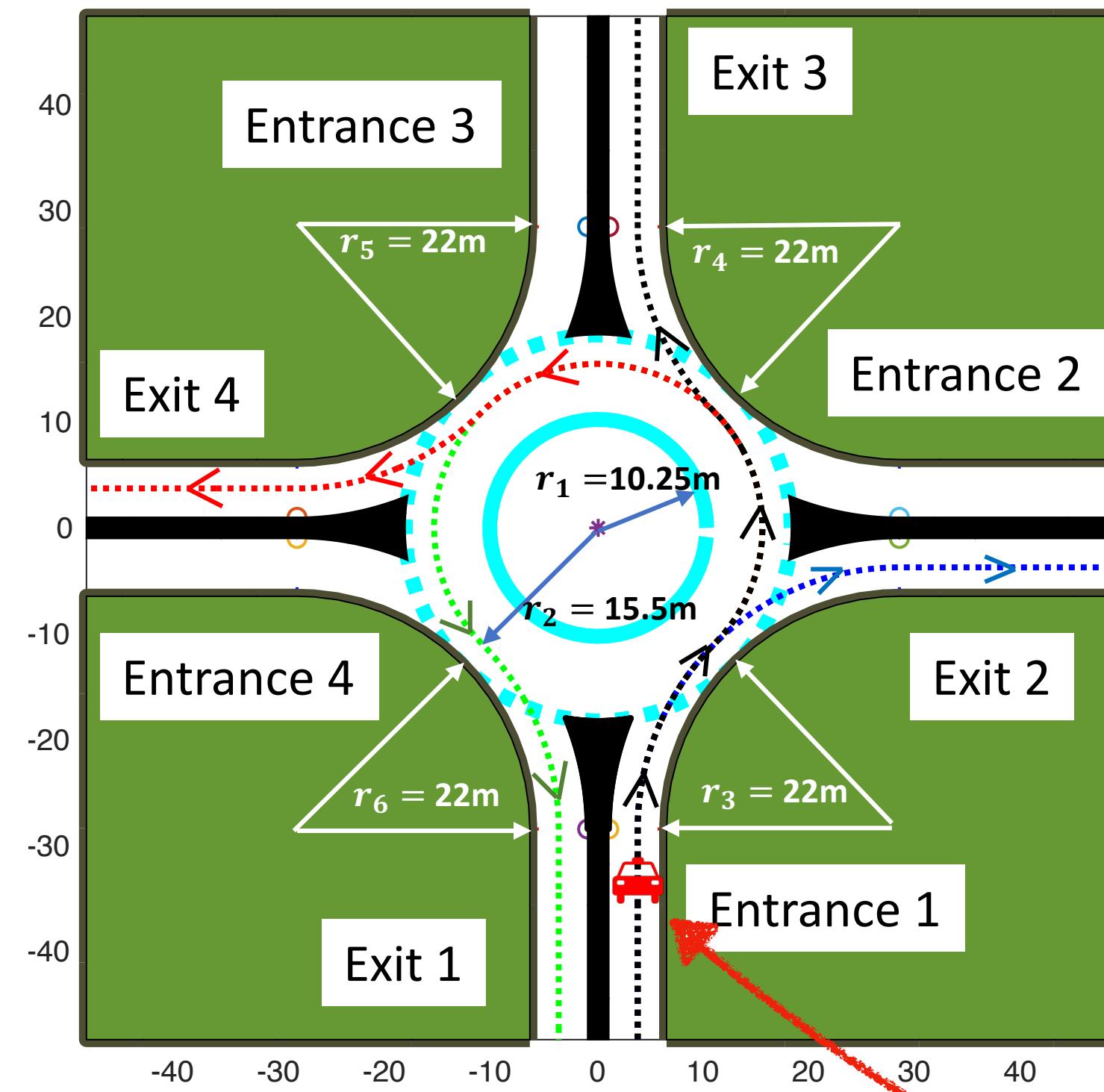


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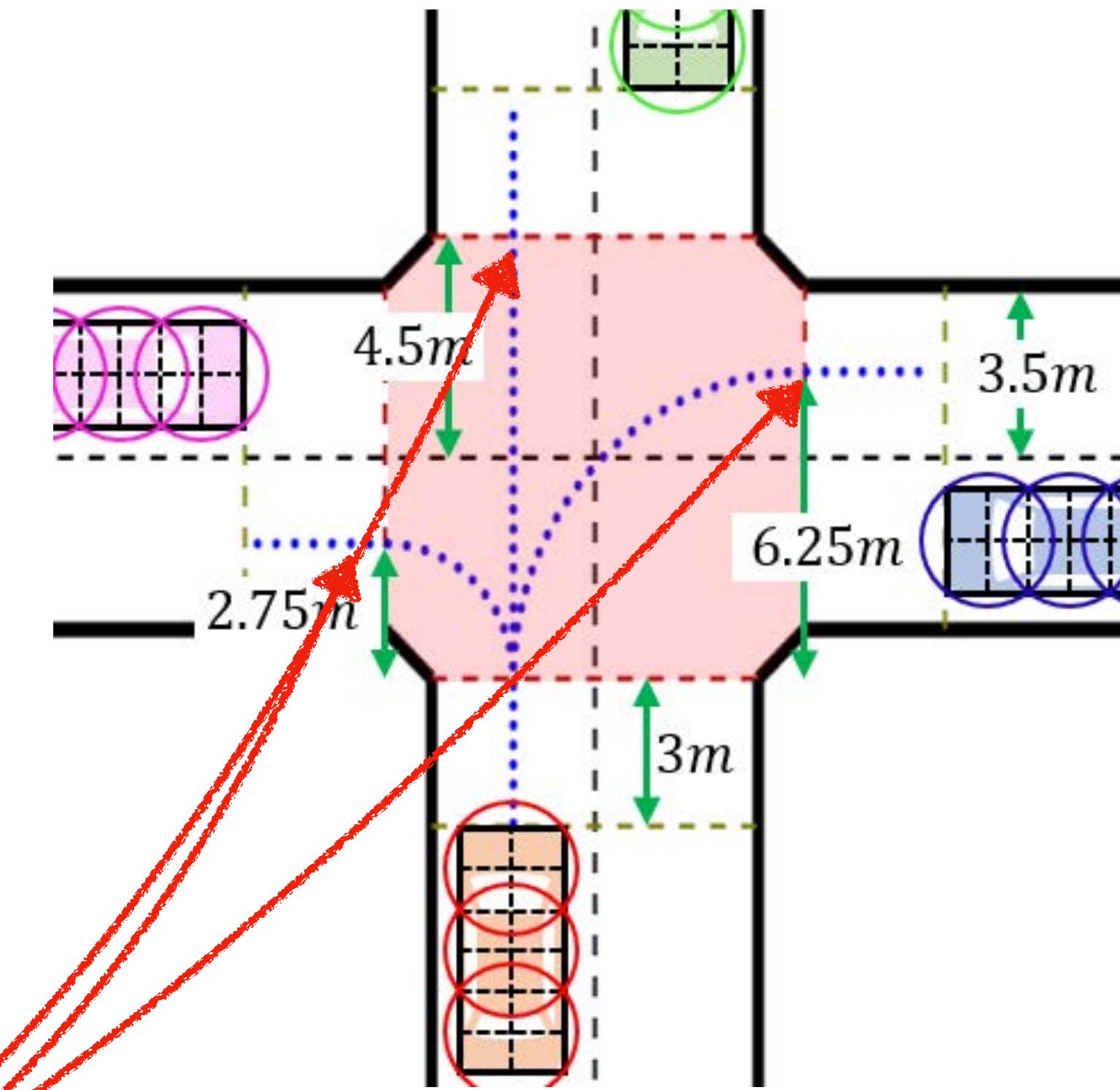
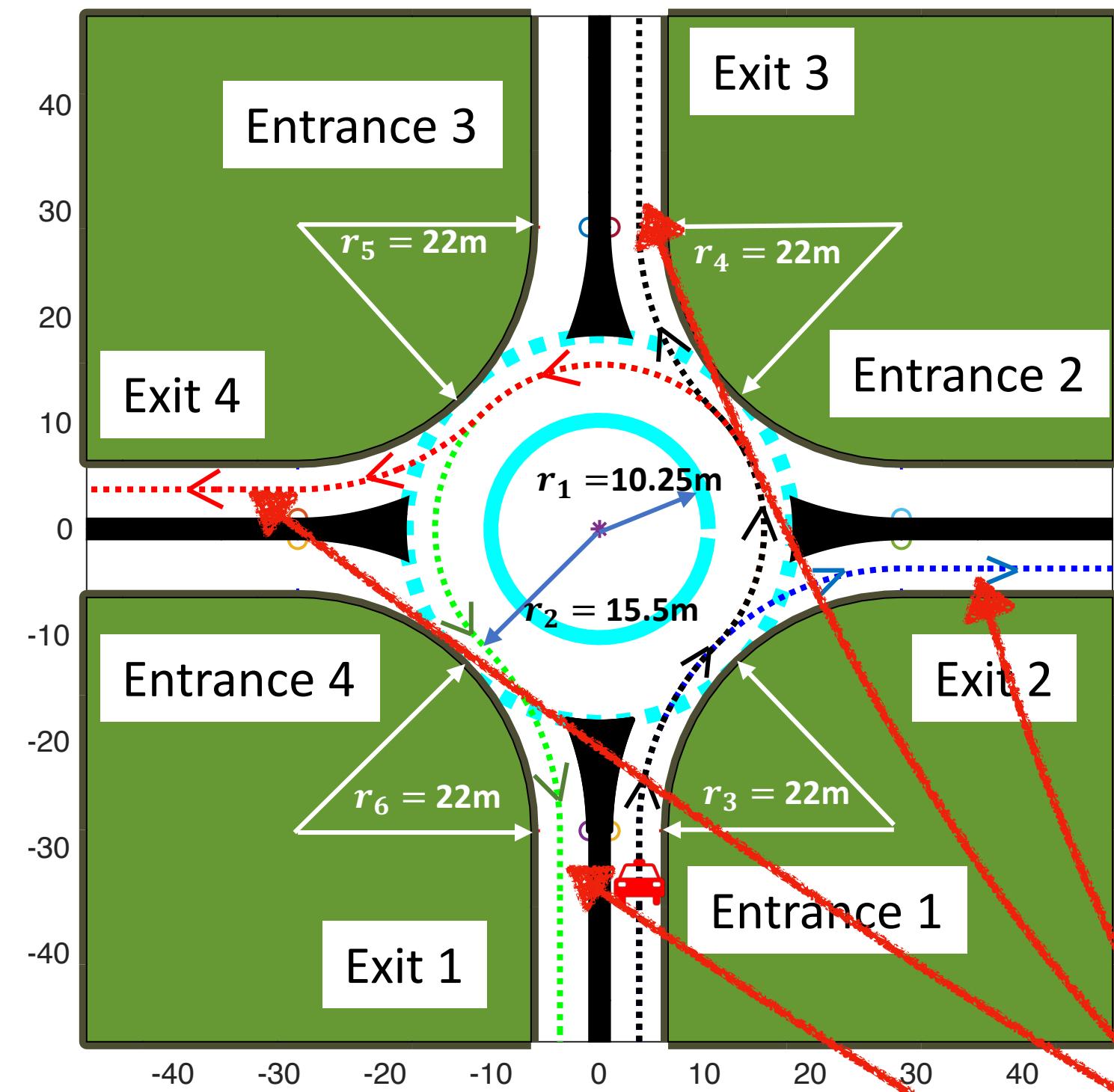
Fixed intersection-like road situations

Which scenarios?



Autonomous vehicles « playing » with each other
or with others types of vehicles

Which scenarios?



Their paths are fixed
 $\text{NextStep}_i : \text{conf}^* a \longrightarrow \text{conf}$

Best move?

The ego vehicle must choose its acceleration in such a way that:

- it follows its path,
- it optimises its time in the intersection,
- it does not collide with other vehicles,
- it respects the law,
- ...

Since we have several things to optimise, we have to think about trade-off.

Cost function

$$\mathbf{Cost}^i(\mathbf{conf}_1, \dots, \mathbf{conf}_n) = \alpha_i \cdot \mathbf{Cost}_{\mathbf{velo}}^i + \beta_i \cdot \mathbf{Cost}_{\mathbf{safe}}^i$$

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The cost of a situation (either observed or predicted)
The lower, the better.

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Configurations of the vehicle $1, \dots, n$ given by:

- Their positions (cartesian, polar coordinates)
- Their velocities
- Their situations in the intersection (entering, inside, exiting)

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A cost function that describes how close to the limit velocity the vehicle is.
The lower, the closer.

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A cost function that describes how safe the vehicle is
Roughly speaking: how closed to the other vehicle it is
The lower, the safer.

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Coefficient that describes how much the vehicle cares about the optimising its velocity compared to its safety.

Roughly speaking: it's an “aggressiveness” coefficient

Receding horizon cost

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Accumulated cost of the all upcoming situations when the initial situation is $\text{conf}_1, \dots, \text{conf}_n$

and if the vehicle i predicts the accelerations of all vehicles are given by

$$(a_{j,s}^i)_{1 \leq j \leq n, 0 \leq s \leq h}$$

and that the vehicle j follows the path given by

$$\text{NextStep}_j^i$$

Best global move = Nash equilibrium

A game:

- A set of **players** $P = \{1, \dots, n\}$
 - Ex: the vehicles
- Each player i has a set of **possible moves** Γ_i
 - Ex: an acceleration profile $(a_s)_{0 \leq s \leq h}$
- Each player has a cost function it wants to minimise, of type:

$$H_i : \Gamma_1 \times \dots \times \Gamma_n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

- Ex: the accumulated costs

What does it mean for the players to conjunctly optimise their cost?

⇒ best possible response: a move m_i for every player such that for any other move m'_i :

$$H_i(m_1, \dots, m_n) \leq H_i(m_1, \dots, m'_i, \dots, m_n)$$

Nash equilibrium

Priority order and backward induction

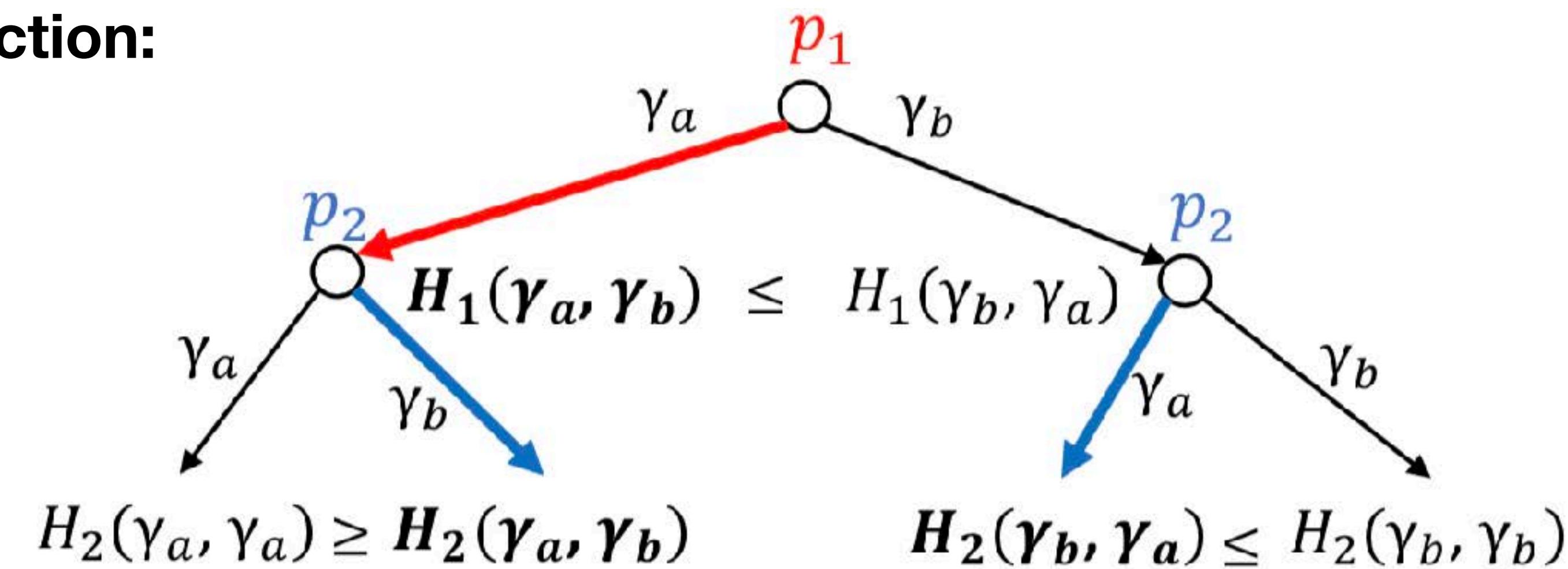
How to enforce the existence of a Nash equilibrium and compute it?

Idea: order the players, the smallest one chooses first, the second smallest chooses second, ...

Assume: a total order \leq on P

Ex: $i \leq j$ if i is more aggressive than j , or if the law tells that i has priority over j

Do backward induction:



Decision making procedure

Algorithm Decision making of the ego vehicle

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Initialization phase

**Restrict the set of vehicles
you are considering**

**Observe their current
configuration**

Guess their path

**Guess their
cost function**

**Initialise the order
of the vehicles**

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**Initialise the order
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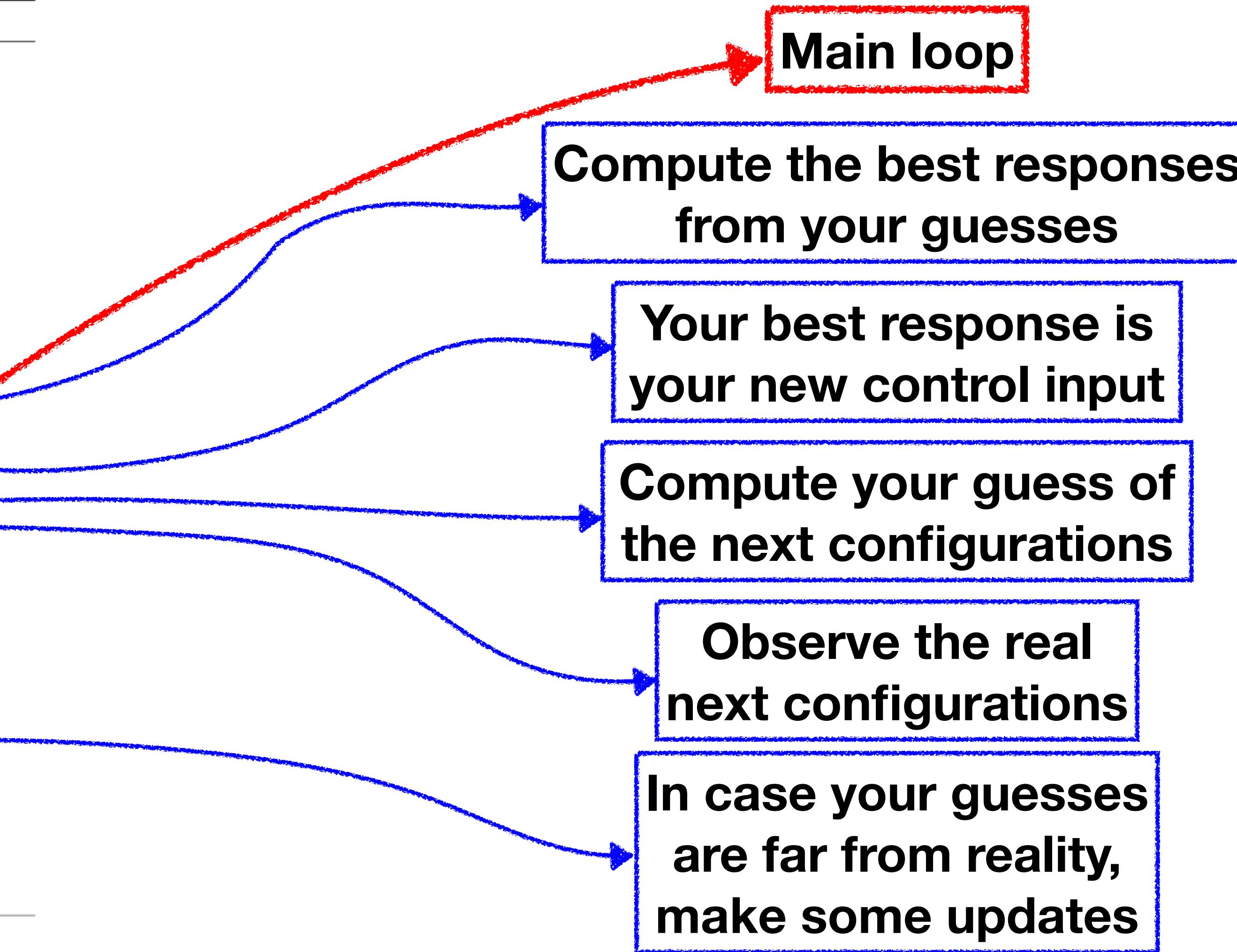
Order the vehicles using the right-of-way:

- Vehicles already in the intersection have more priority.
- Vehicles on your left-hand-side have more priority.
- ...

Decision making procedure

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In case your guesses
are far from reality,
make some updates

Compute the order that fit the situation the most:

- For every possible order, compute:

$$(a_{j,s}) = \text{nash_equilibrium}(\text{HCost}_j, \preceq).$$

- Then compute the corresponding predicted configuration:

$$\hat{X}_j(\preceq) = \text{NextStep}_j(X_j, a_{j,0}).$$

- Choose \preceq whose predictions are the closest to the observation X_j .

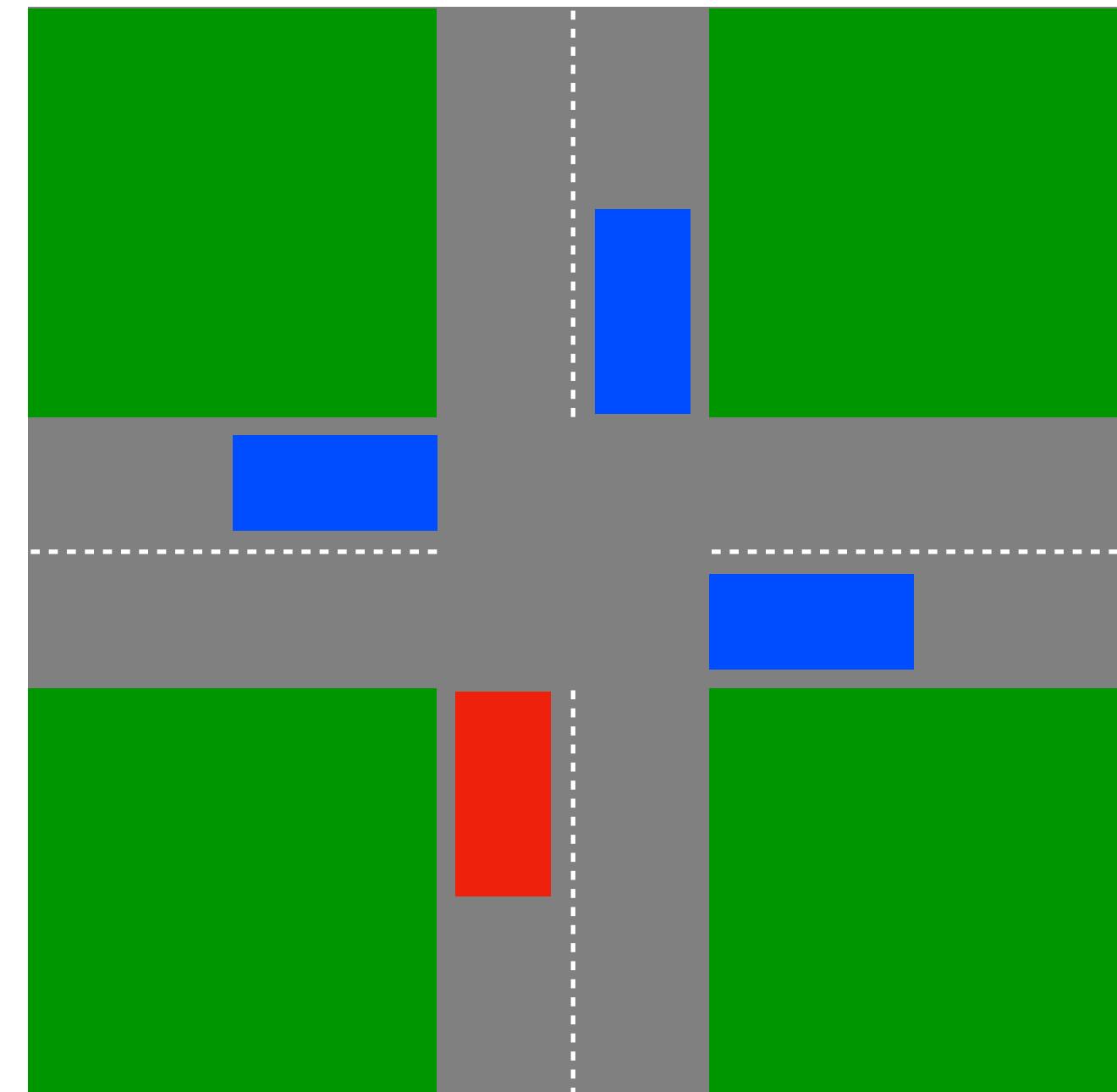
Dealing with deadlocks

A **dead-lock**: a situation where all the vehicles are waiting for others to take a decision.

In our case: symmetric situations where every vehicles are stopped at the entrance of the intersection.

How to solve it?

- ⇒ theoretically insolvable with deterministic systems
- ⇒ add probabilities: when a deadlock is detected, take a decision with some probability



Behaviour of the adversaries

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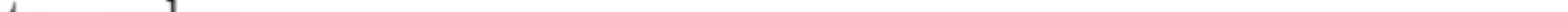
ego/angelic

Right of way

Fitting

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Demonic

I have priority

I do not care

Behaviour of the adversaries

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Intermediate

I have priority

Fitting

Behaviour of the adversaries

Algorithm Random decision making

```
1: while I am still in the intersection do
2:   choose randomly an acceleration  $a$ 
3:   return  $a$  as control input;
4: end while
```

Irrational

Simulation results

Roundabout

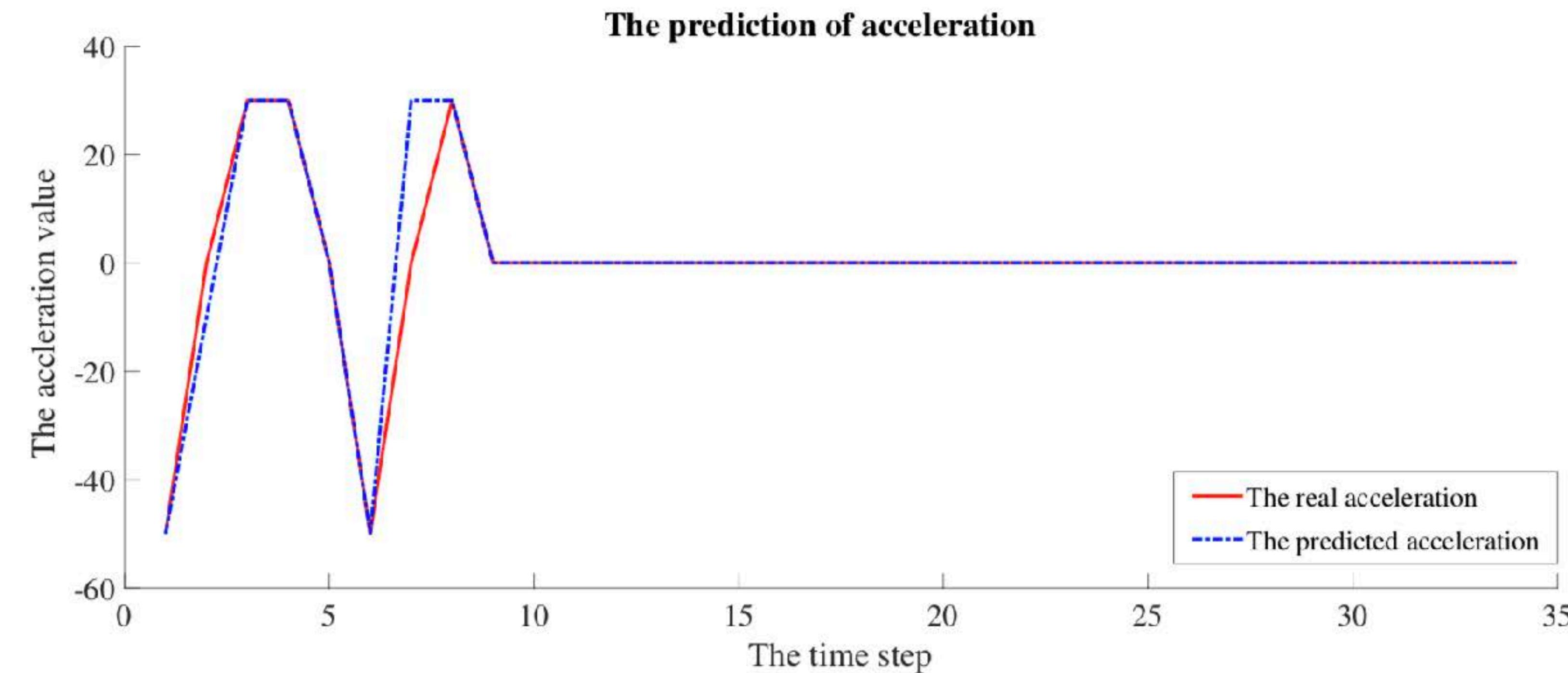
Case	Collision rate(%)	Min dist.(m)	Avg. Total time(s)
4	0	14.49	10.4
5	0	9.81	12.0
6	0	8.94	13.3
7	0	8.90	14.4
8	0	8.93	15.1

Unsignalized intersection

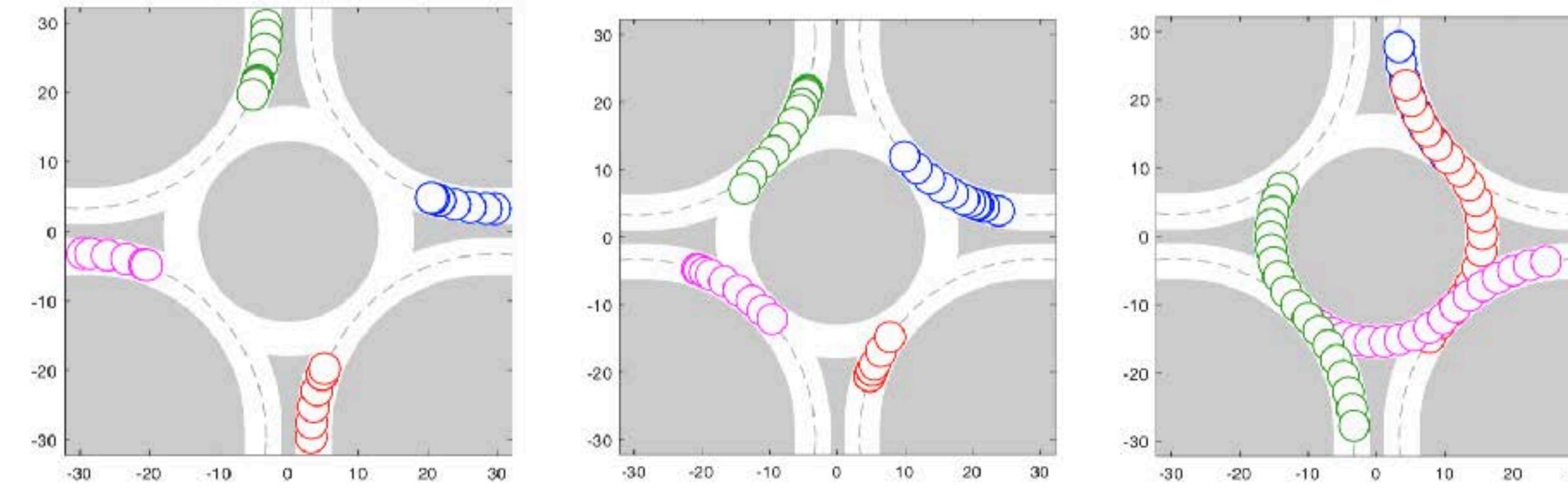
Case	Collision rate(%)	Congestion rate(%)	Avg. Total time steps
1	0	0	56.87 (5.687s)
2	0	0.2	53.98 (5.398s)
3	0	0	59.09 (5.909s)
4	0.4	4.0	91.88 (9.988s)
1'	0	0.5	55.43 (5.543s)
2'	0	1.4	50.58 (5.058s)
3'	0	9.4	55.81 (5.581s)
4'	1.1	14.3	75.82 (7.582s)

- 1: four angelic**
- 2: three angelic + one demonic**
- 3: four intermediate**
- 4: three intermediate + one irrational**

Simulation results



Simulation results



(a) time step ≤ 6

(b) $7 \leq \text{time step} \leq 15$

(c) time step ≥ 16

