

# Set-membership methods for mobile robotics

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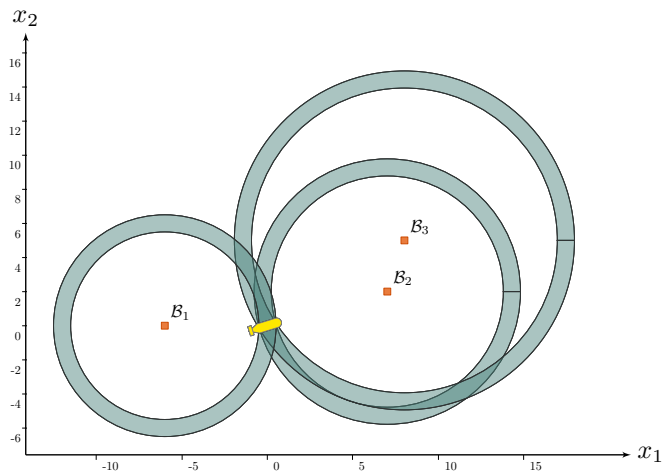
- ▶ Daurade: Autonomous Underwater Vehicle (AUV)
- ▶ weight: 1010kg – length: 5m – max depth: 300m



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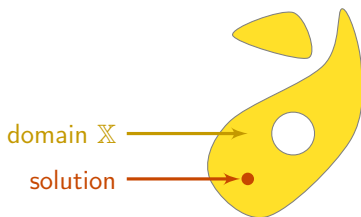
# Uncertainties as sets

Example of **range-only** robot localization (three beacons):



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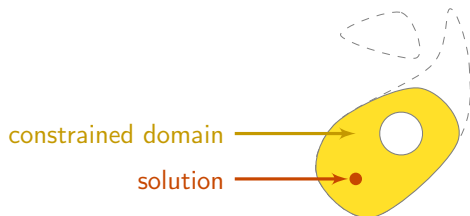
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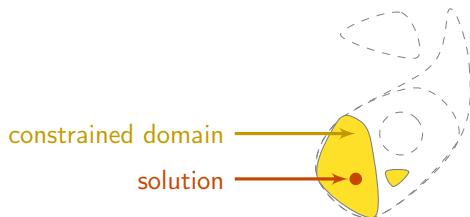
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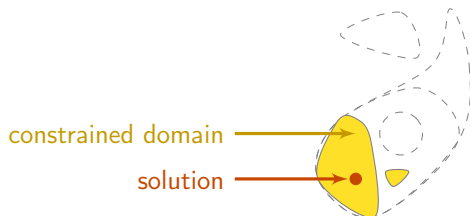
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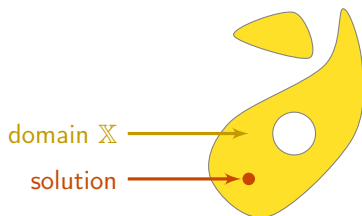
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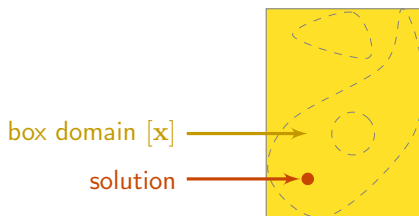
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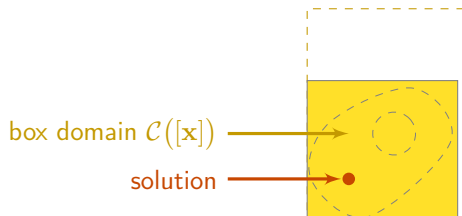
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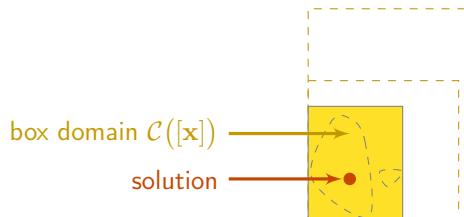
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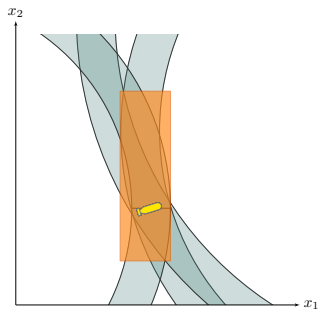
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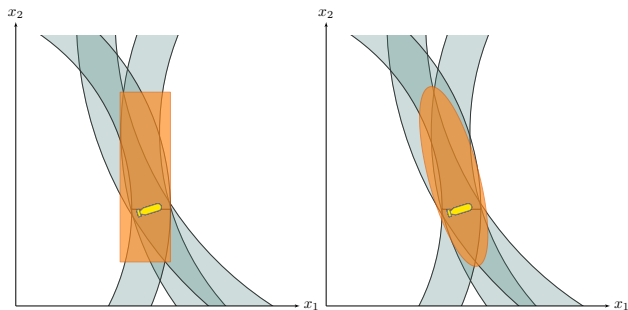
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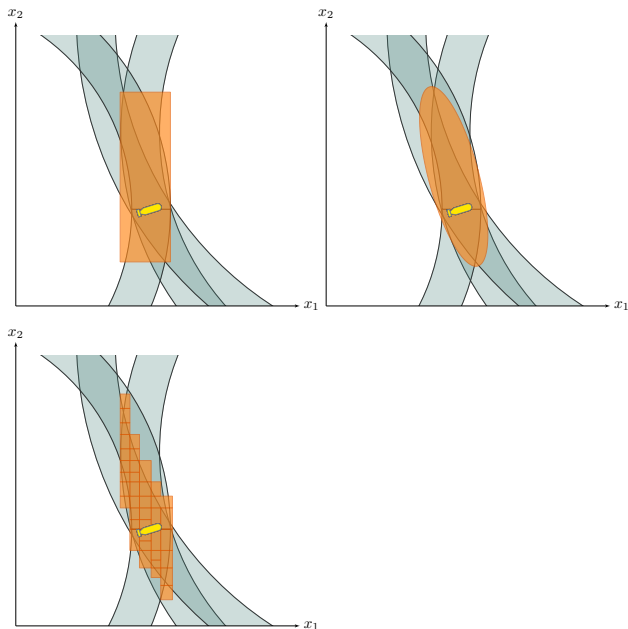
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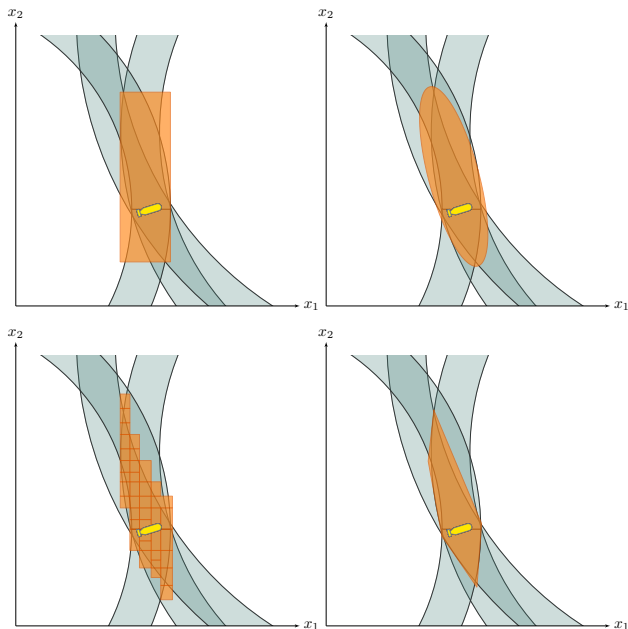
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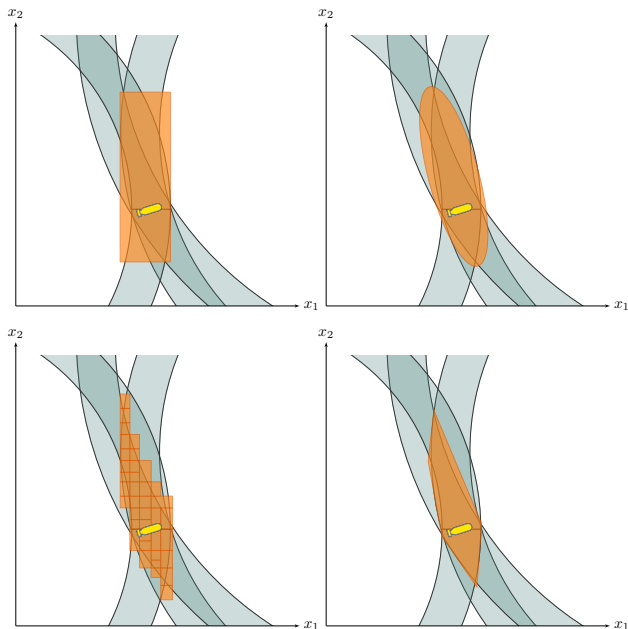
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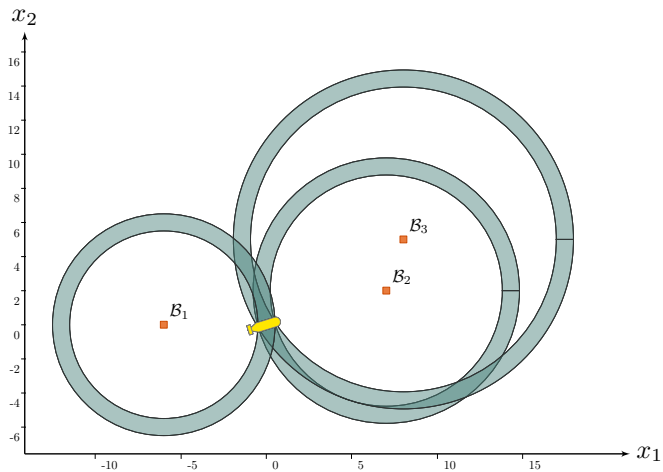
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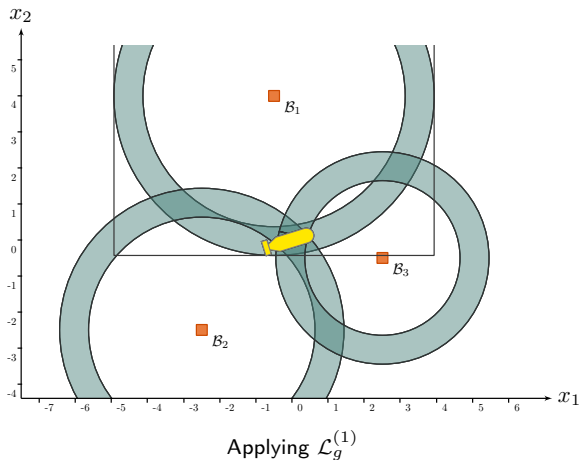
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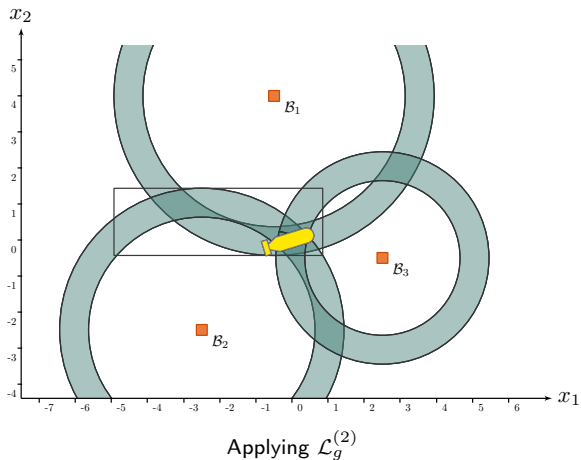
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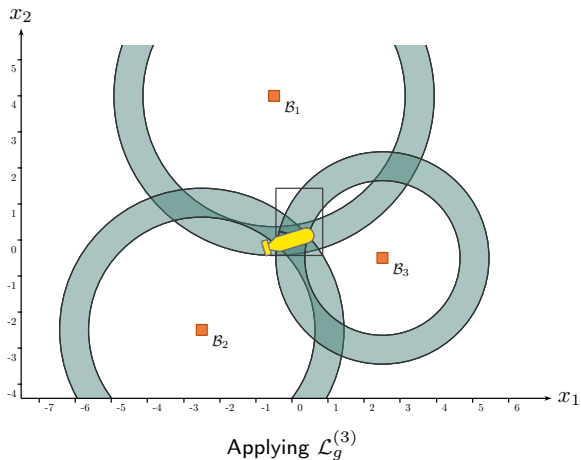
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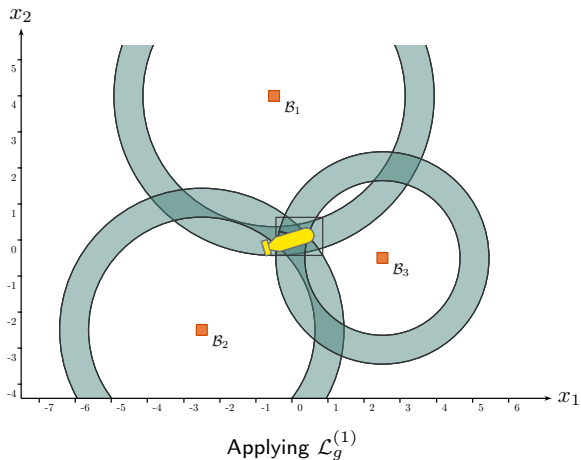
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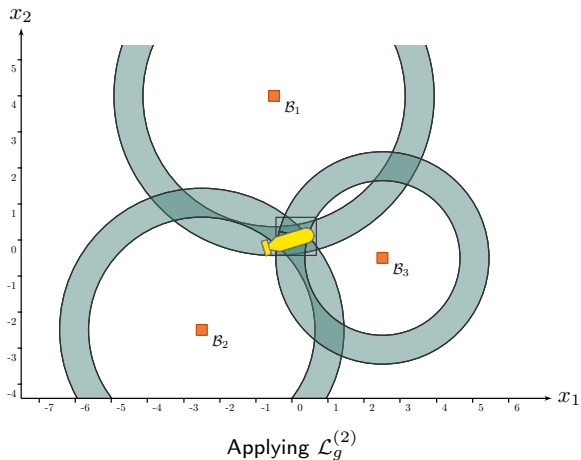


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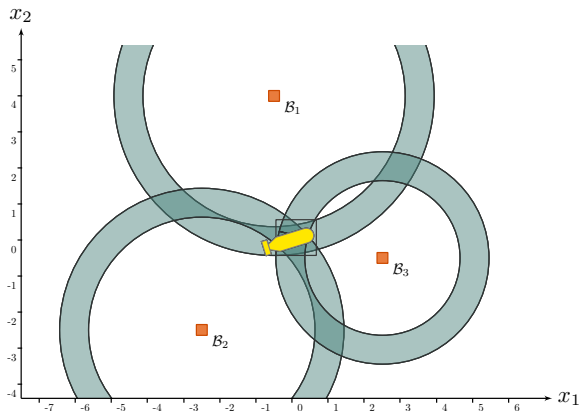
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- ▶ safety of systems: reliable outputs
- ▶ useful tool for numerical proofs

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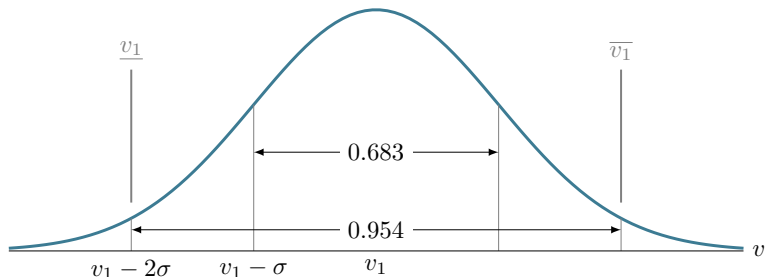


Video

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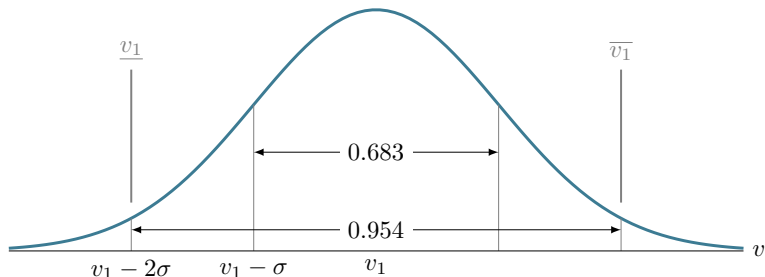
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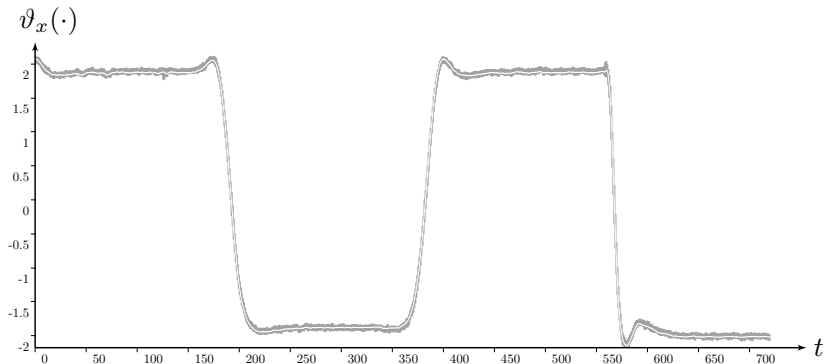


- ▶ uncertainties then reliably propagated in the system  
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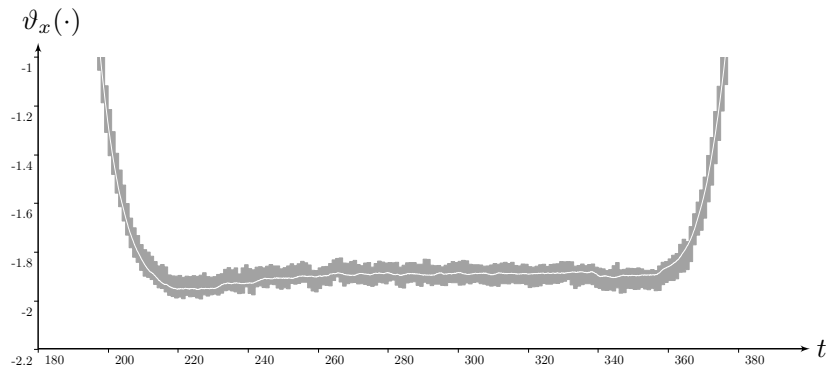
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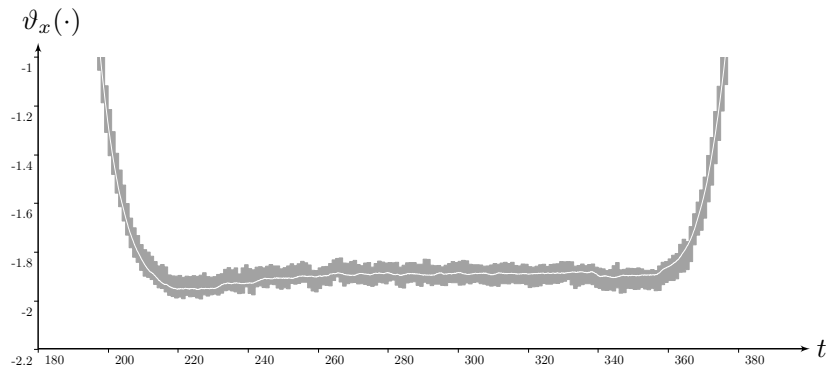
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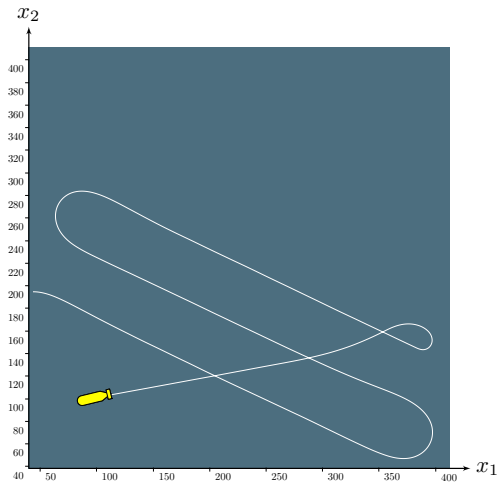
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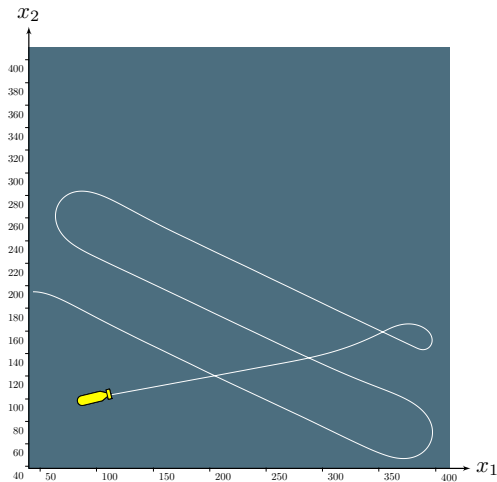
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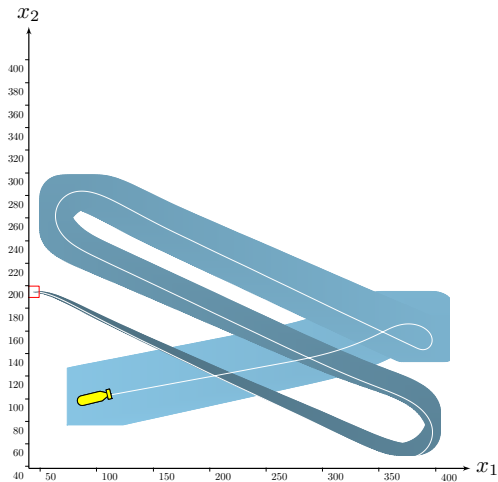
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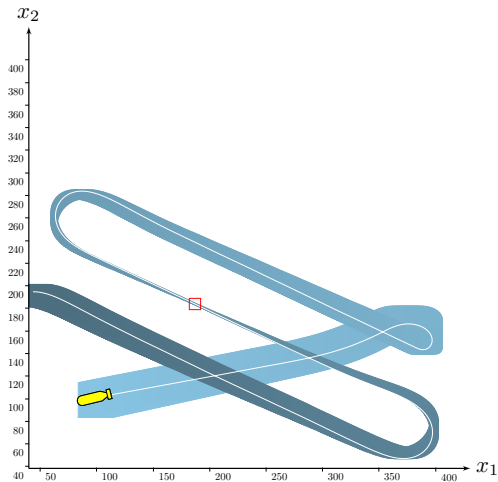
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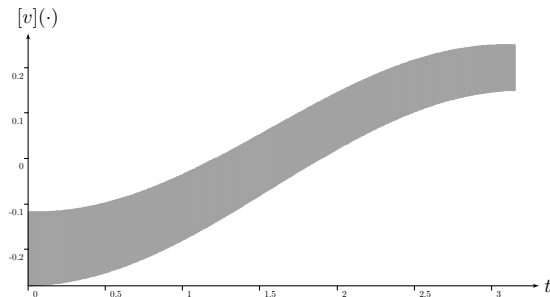
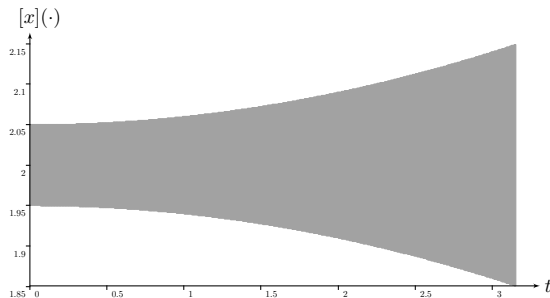
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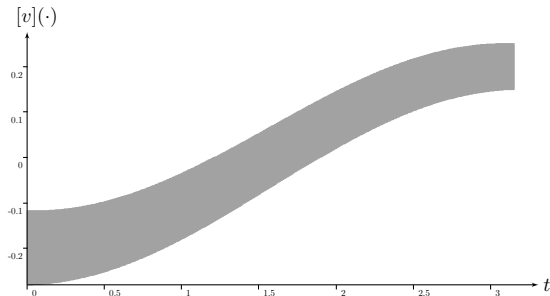
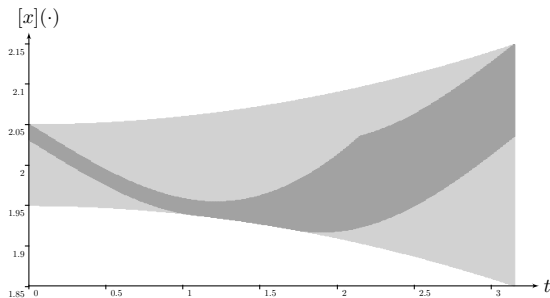
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## Contractor programming:

$$\mathcal{C}_{\frac{d}{dt}}([\mathbf{x}(\cdot)], [\mathbf{v}(\cdot)])$$

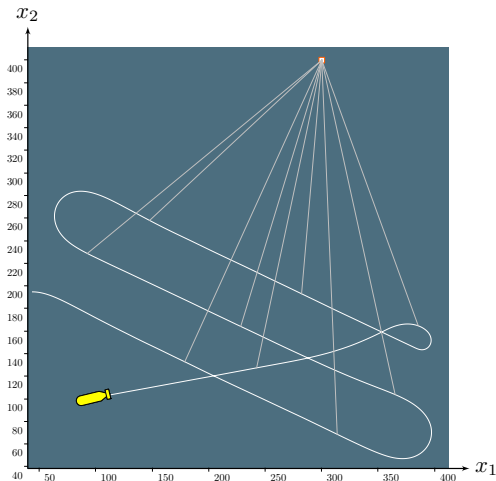
■ Guaranteed computation of robot trajectories

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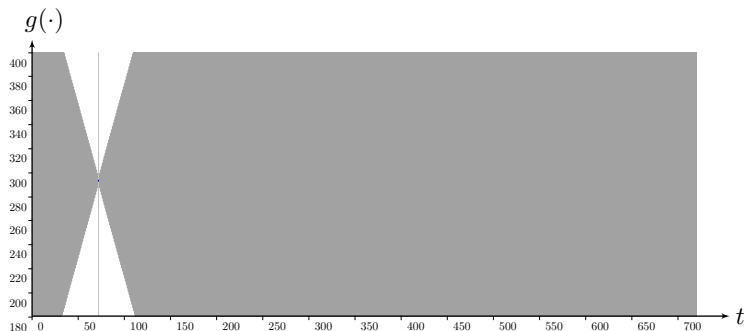


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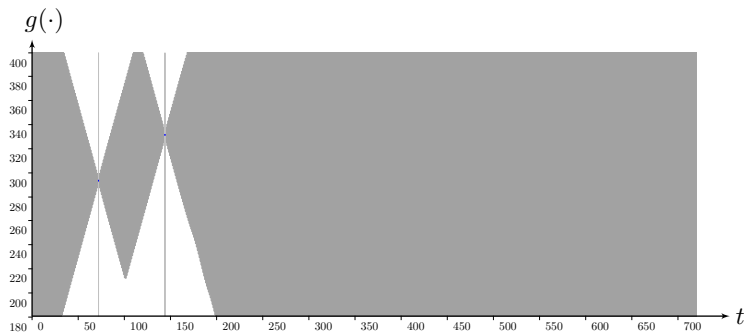
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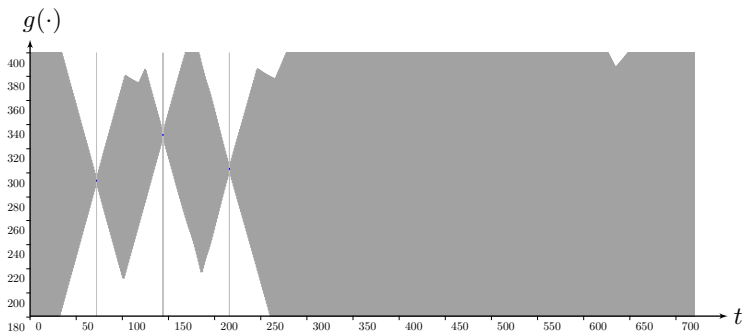
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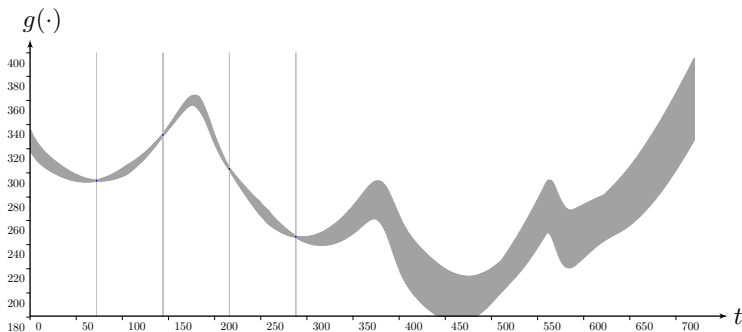
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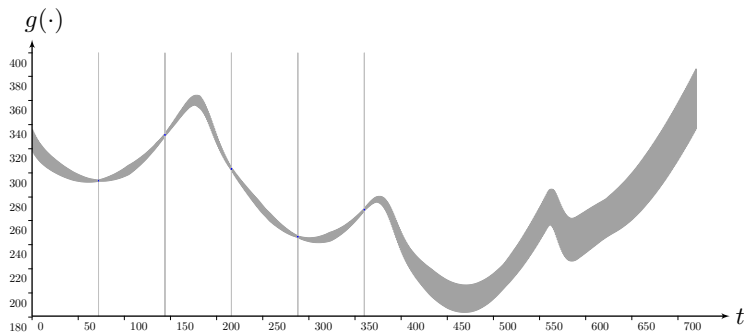
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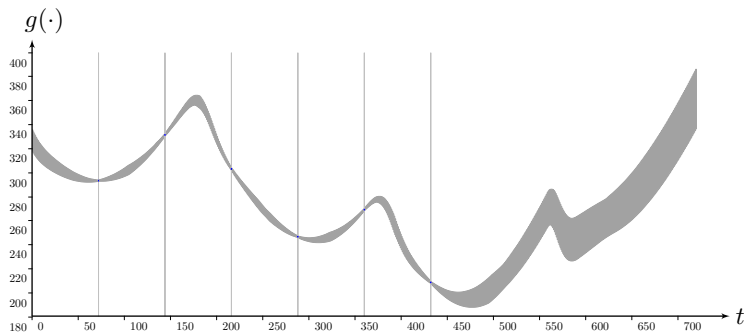
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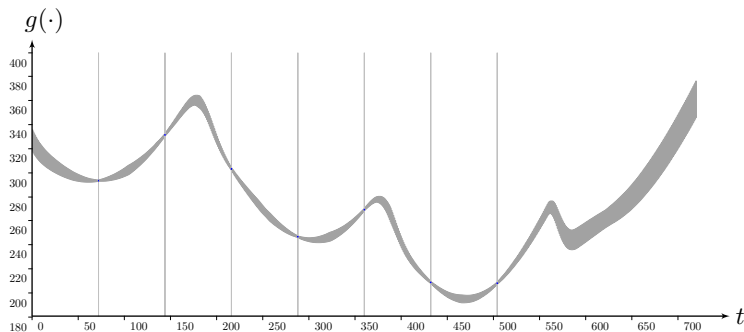


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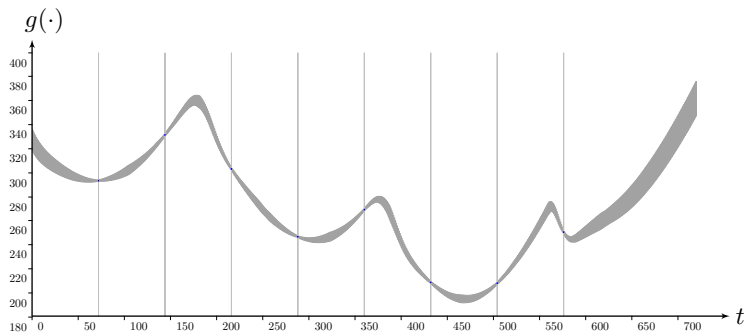
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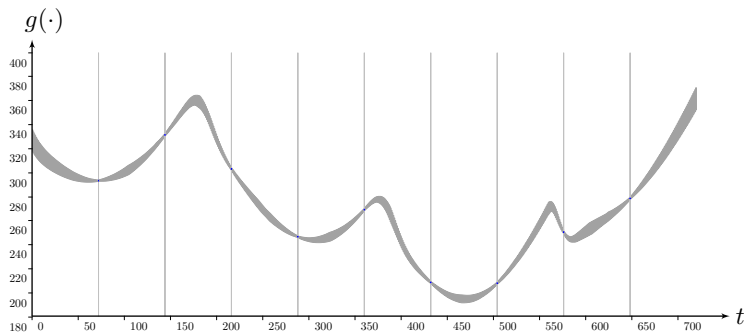
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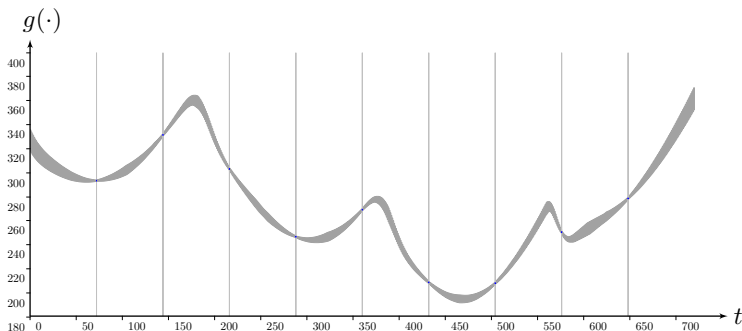
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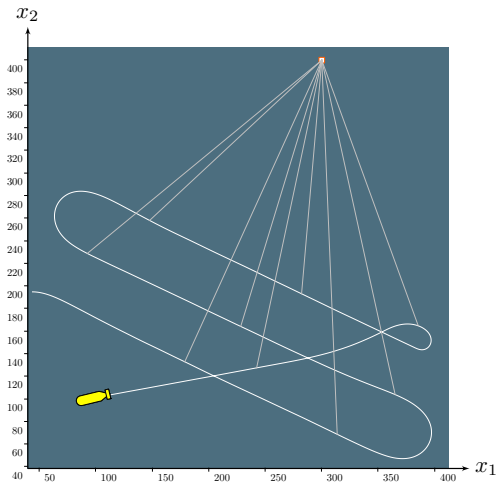
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Then the state tube  $[\mathbf{x}](\cdot)$  will be constrained by  $[g](\cdot)$ .

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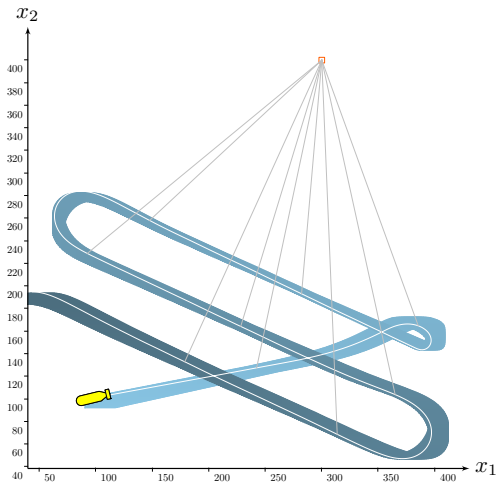


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**Tubex library:** open-source library providing tools for constraint programming over dynamical systems

<http://www.simon-rohou.fr/research/tubex-lib>

# Towards more applications...

