



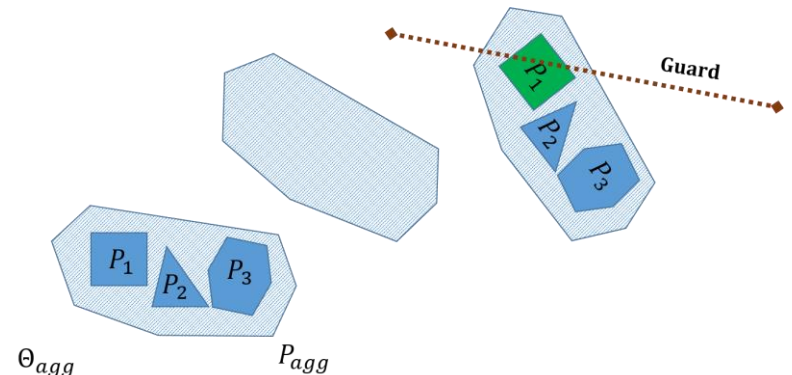
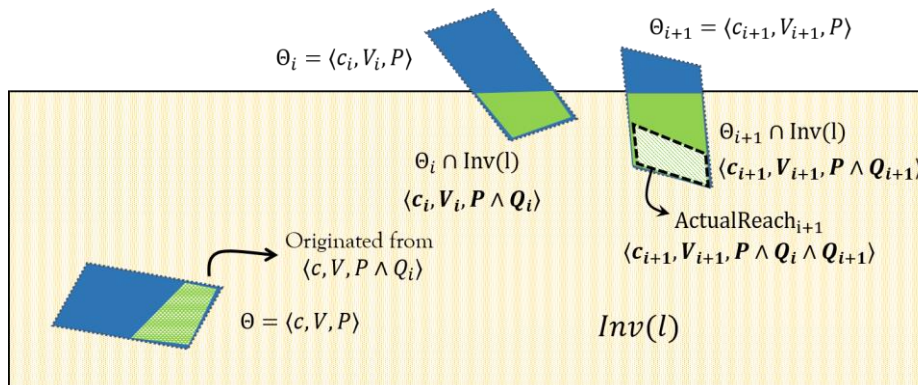
Rigorous Simulation-Based Analysis of Linear Hybrid Systems

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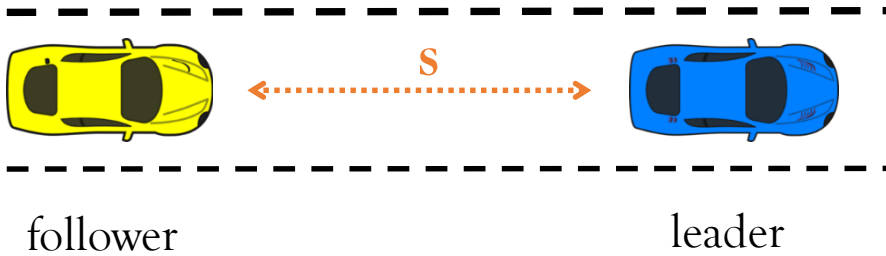




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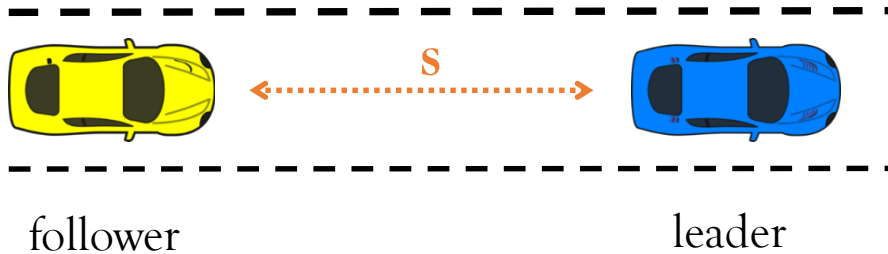
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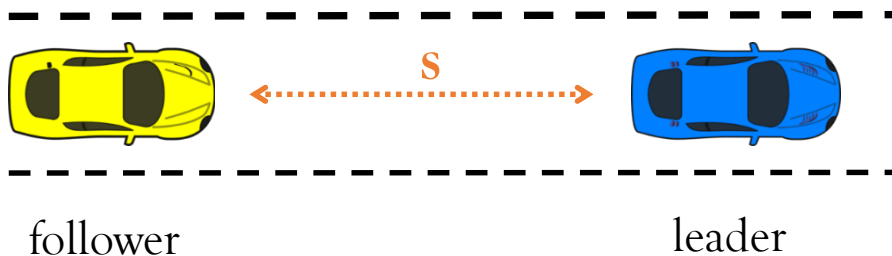
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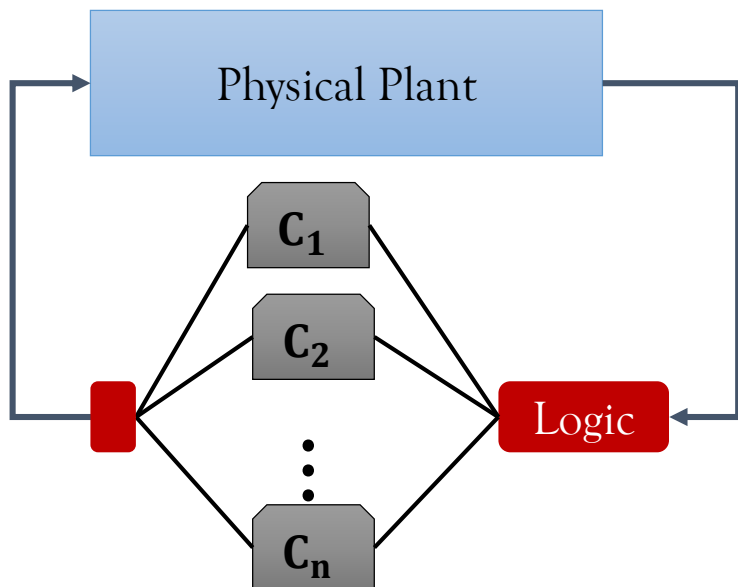
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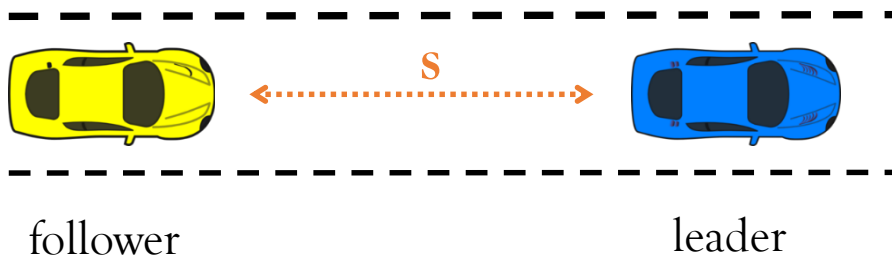
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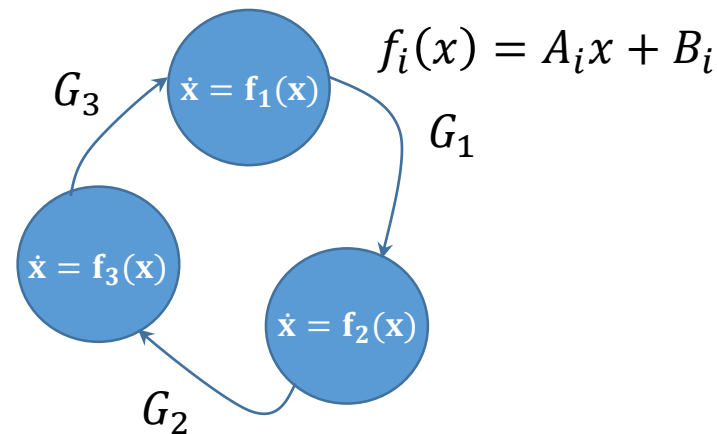
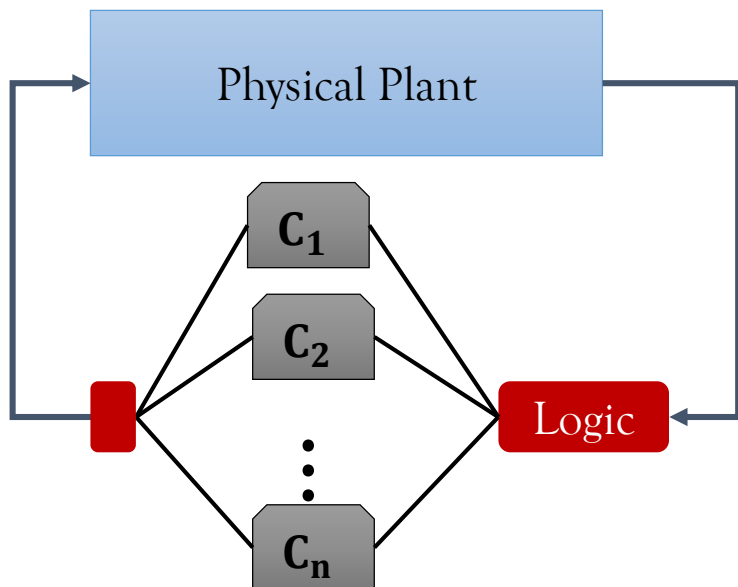
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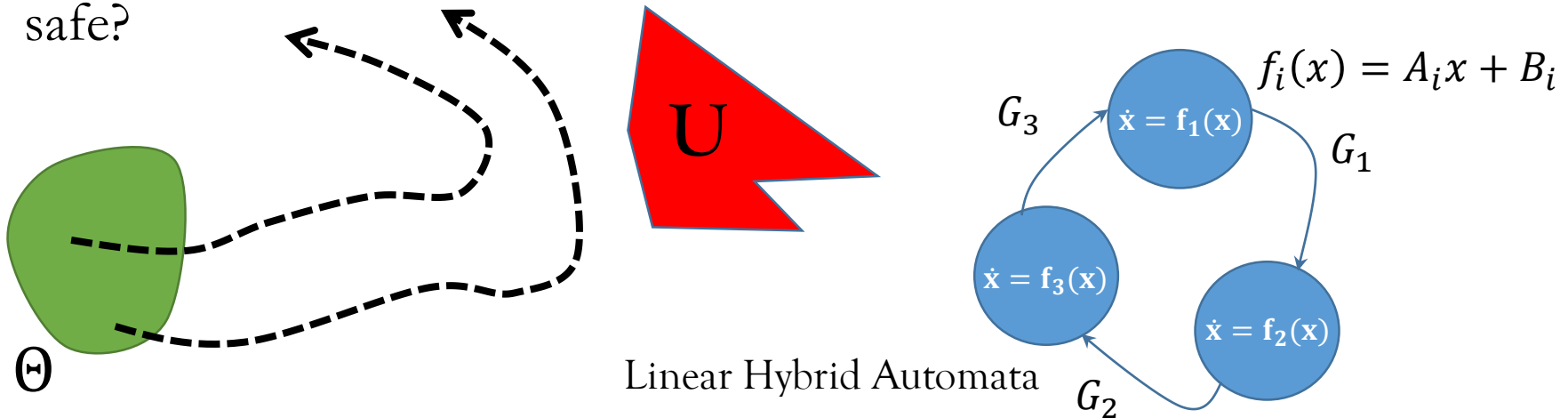


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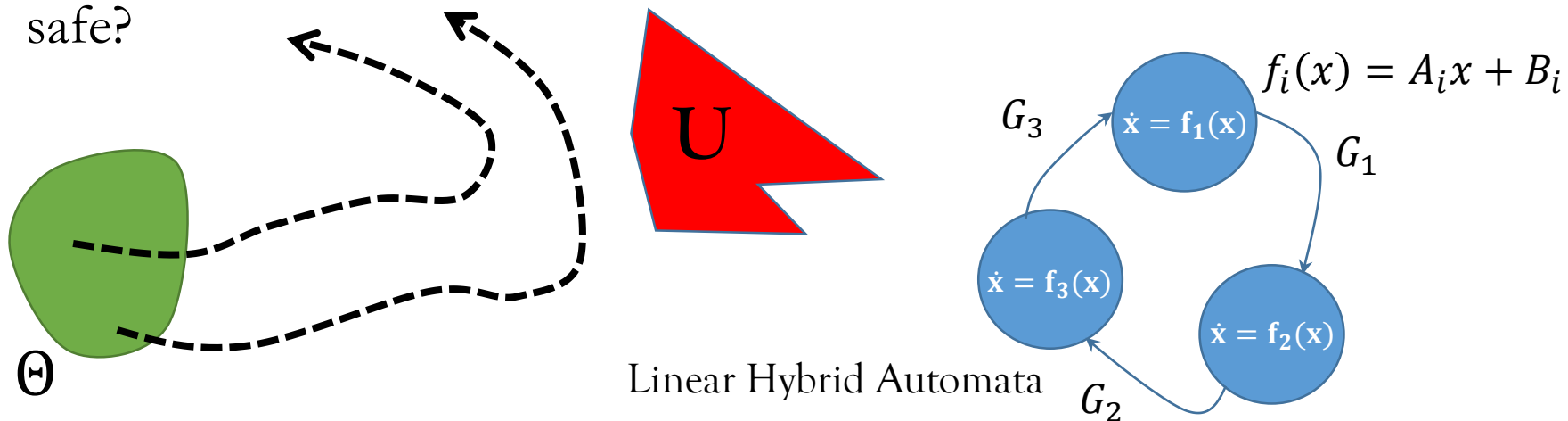
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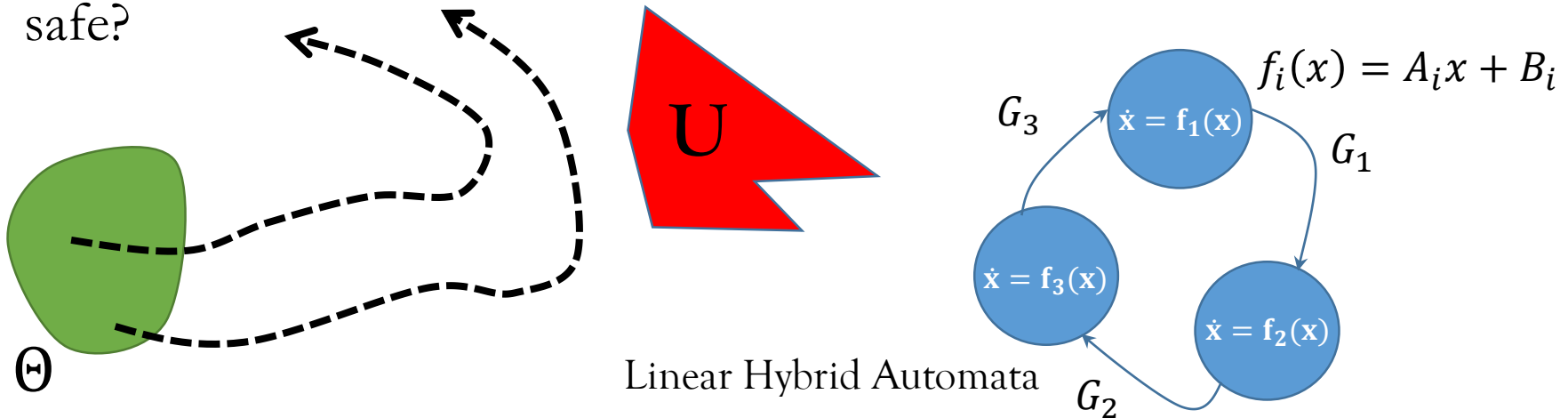


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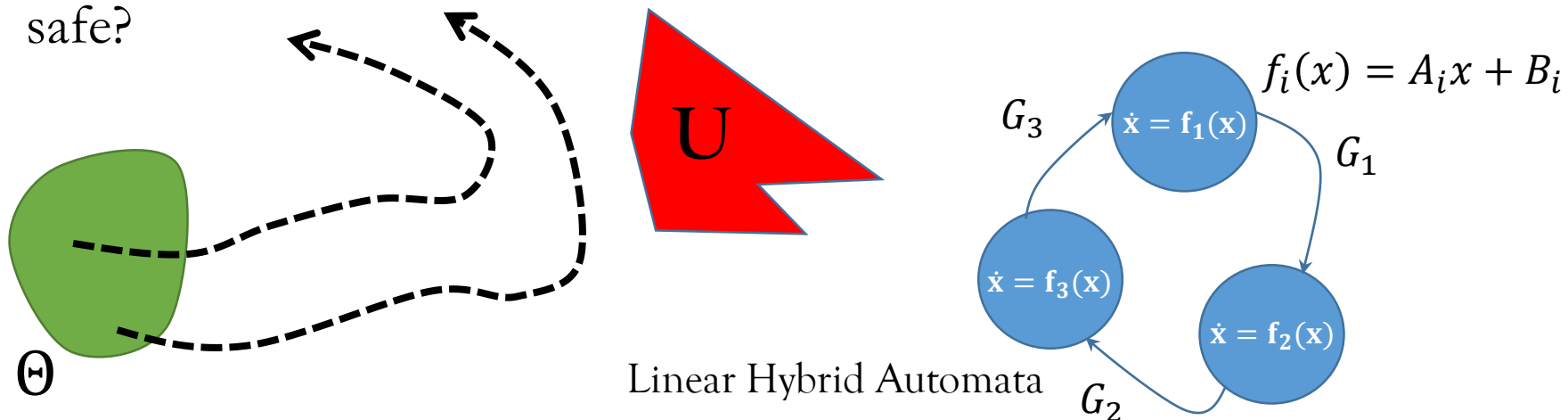


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Simulations \leftrightarrow Verification



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Overview

- ✓ Motivation and Contributions.
- Dynamic analysis technique for linear systems verification.
- Observations of the dynamic analysis technique.
- Invariant constraint propagation.
- Dynamic deaggregation.
- Experimental evaluation.
- Conclusions and Future work.



Dynamic Analysis Technique For Linear System



Dynamic Analysis Technique

1. The representation: **Generalized stars.**
2. The property of linear systems: **Superposition principle.**
3. The reachable set computing technique: **Safety verification of an n dimensional system using $n + 1$ simulations.**

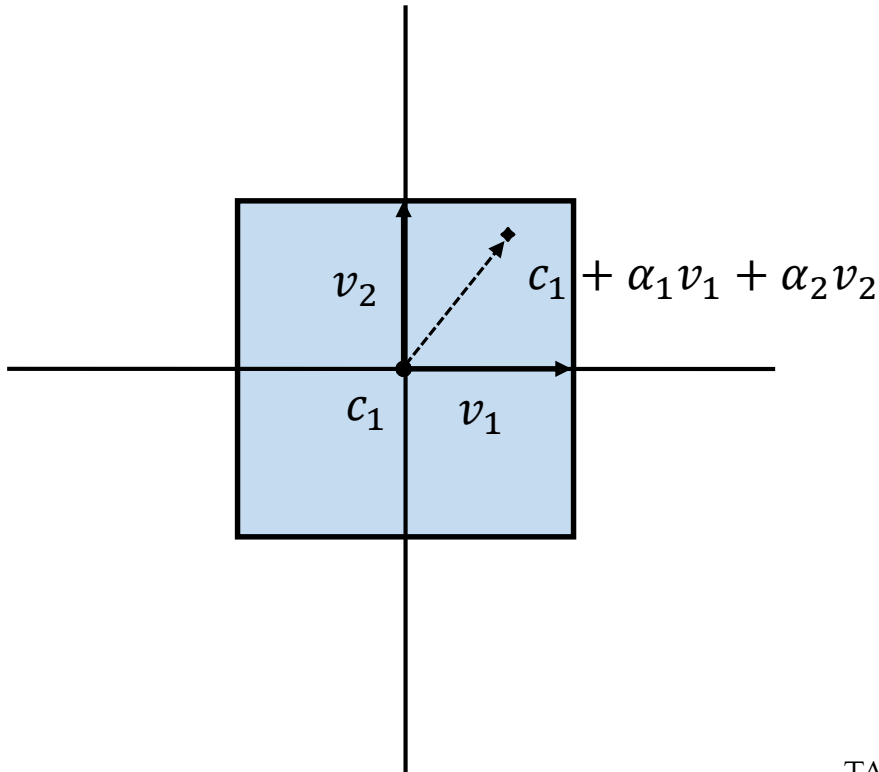
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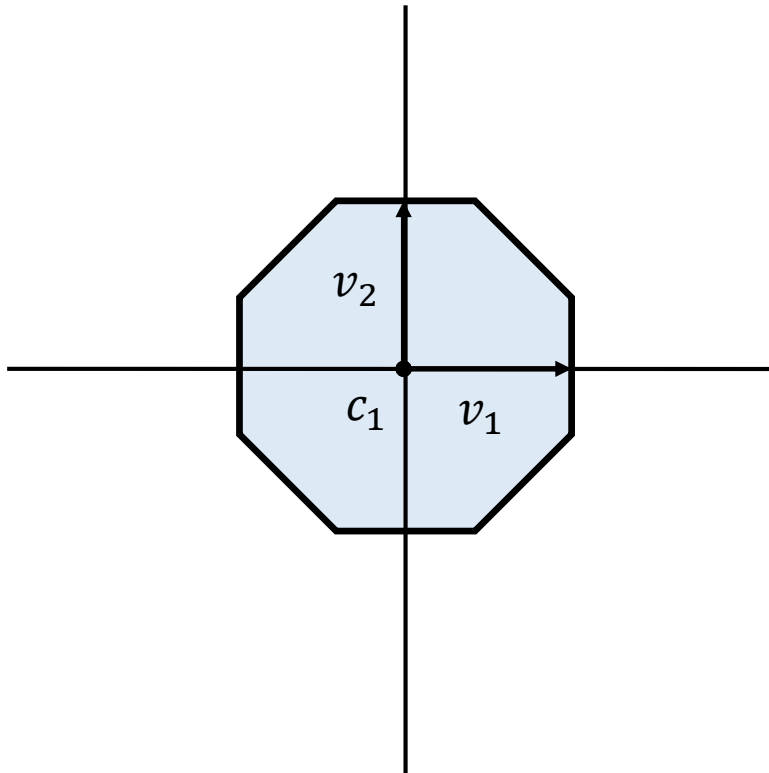
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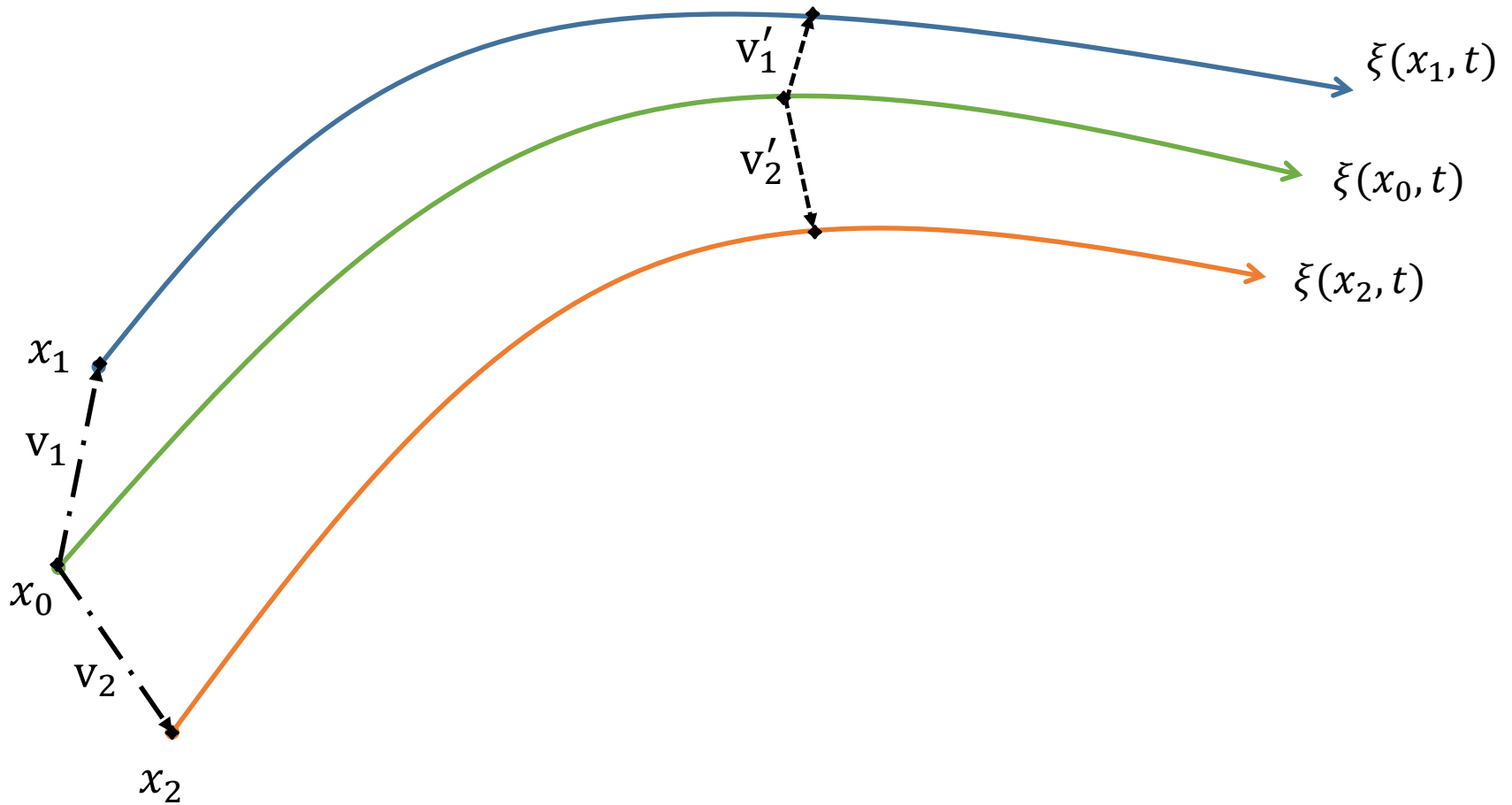
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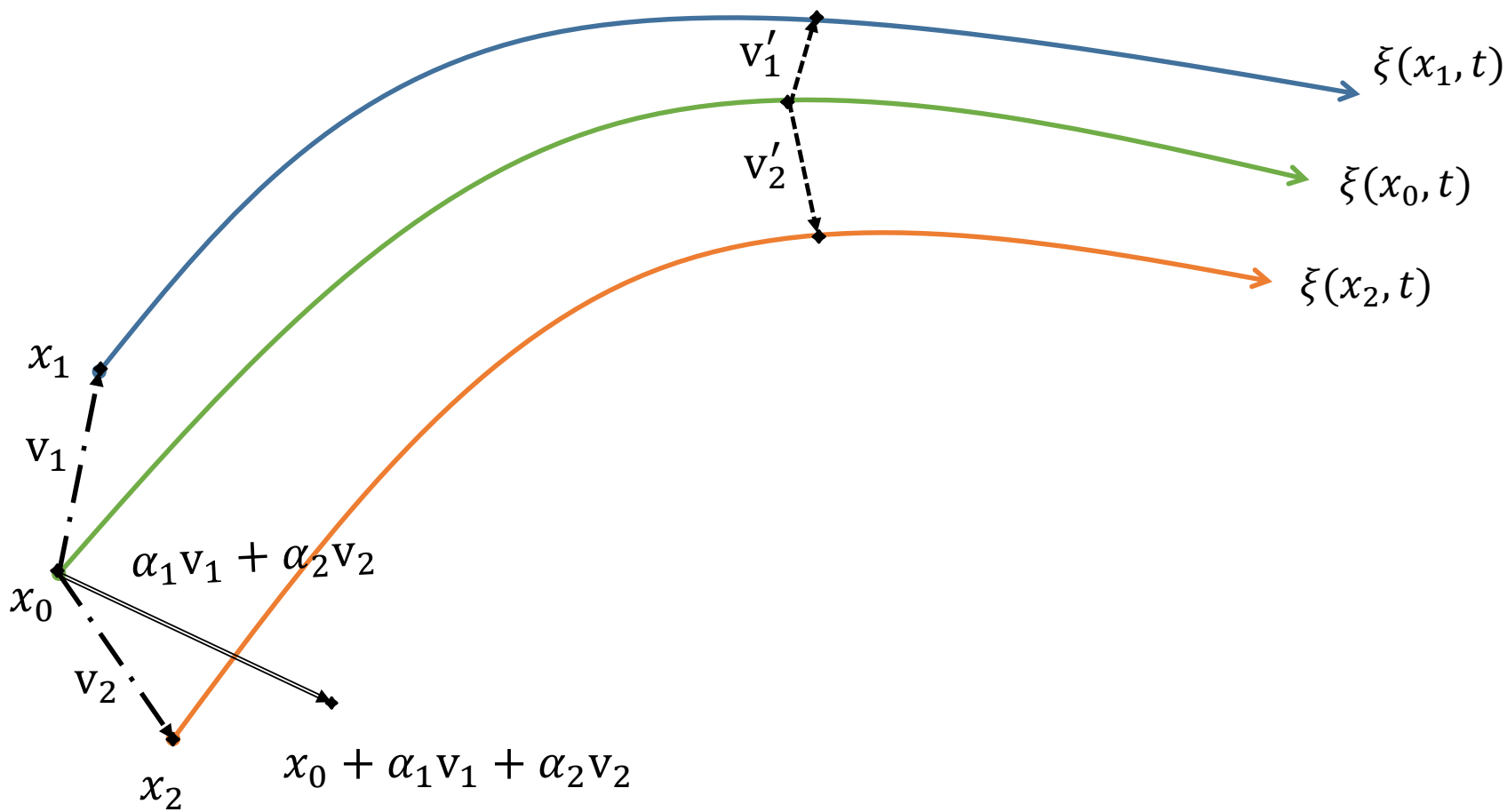


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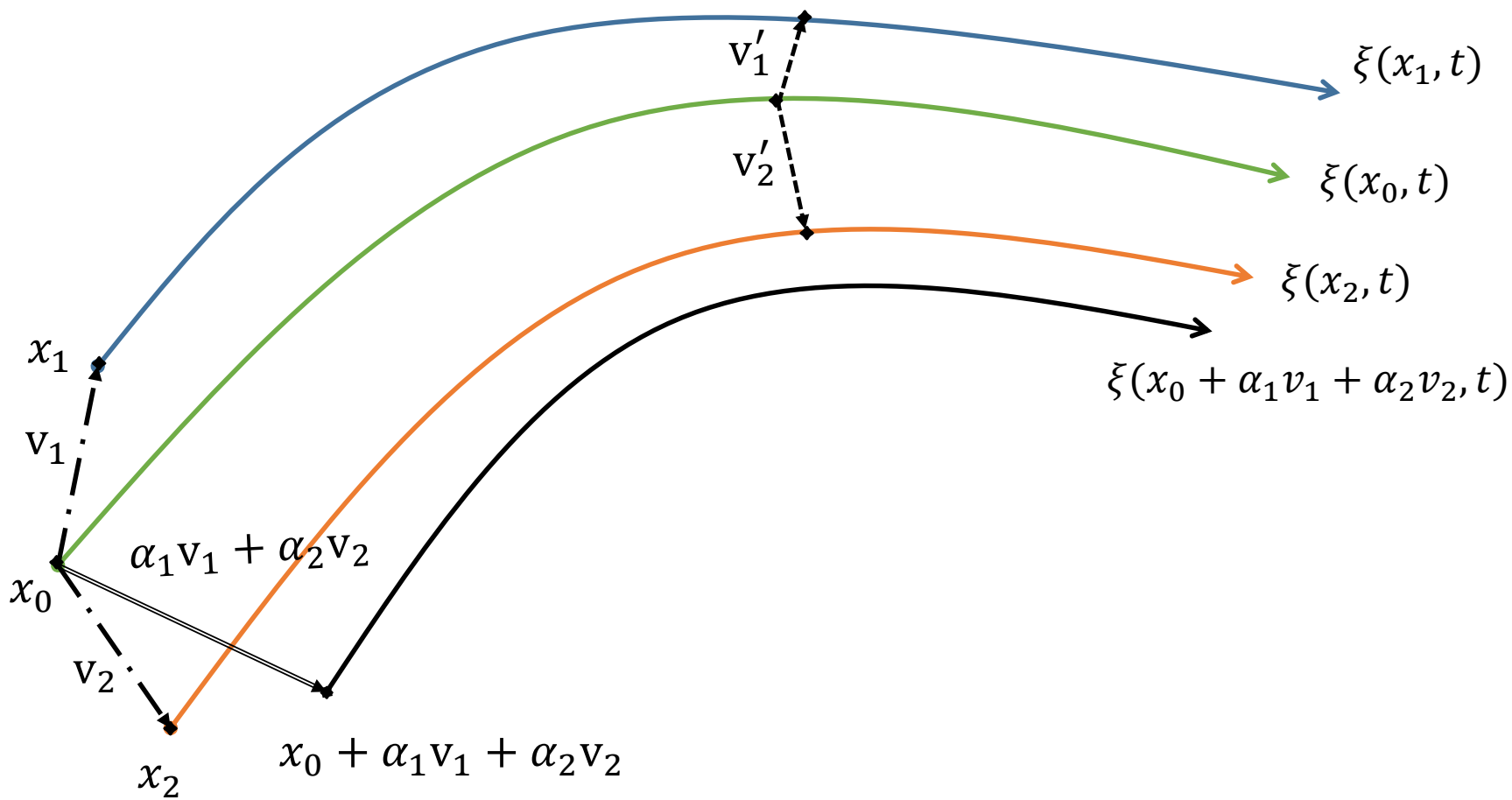


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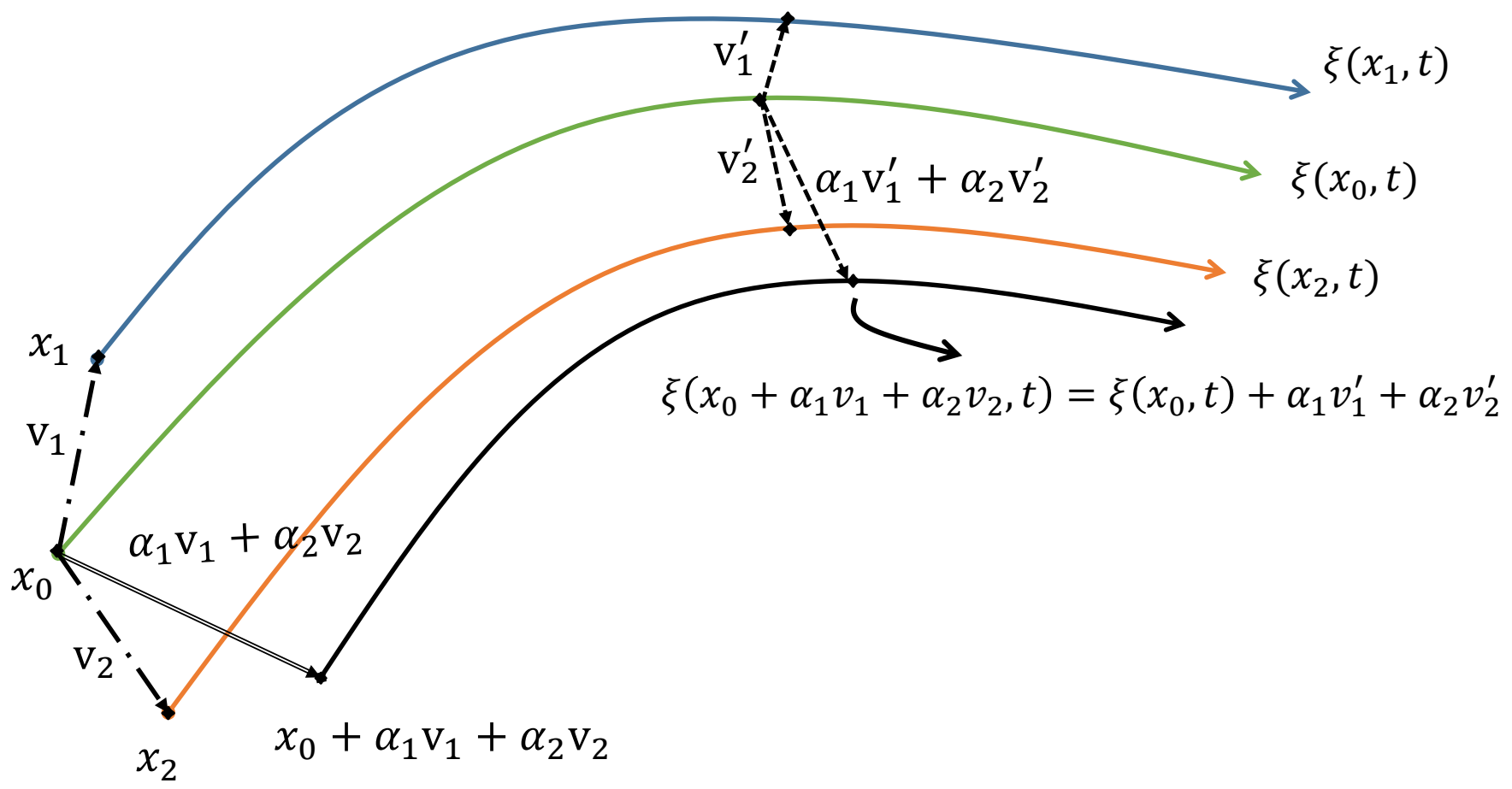


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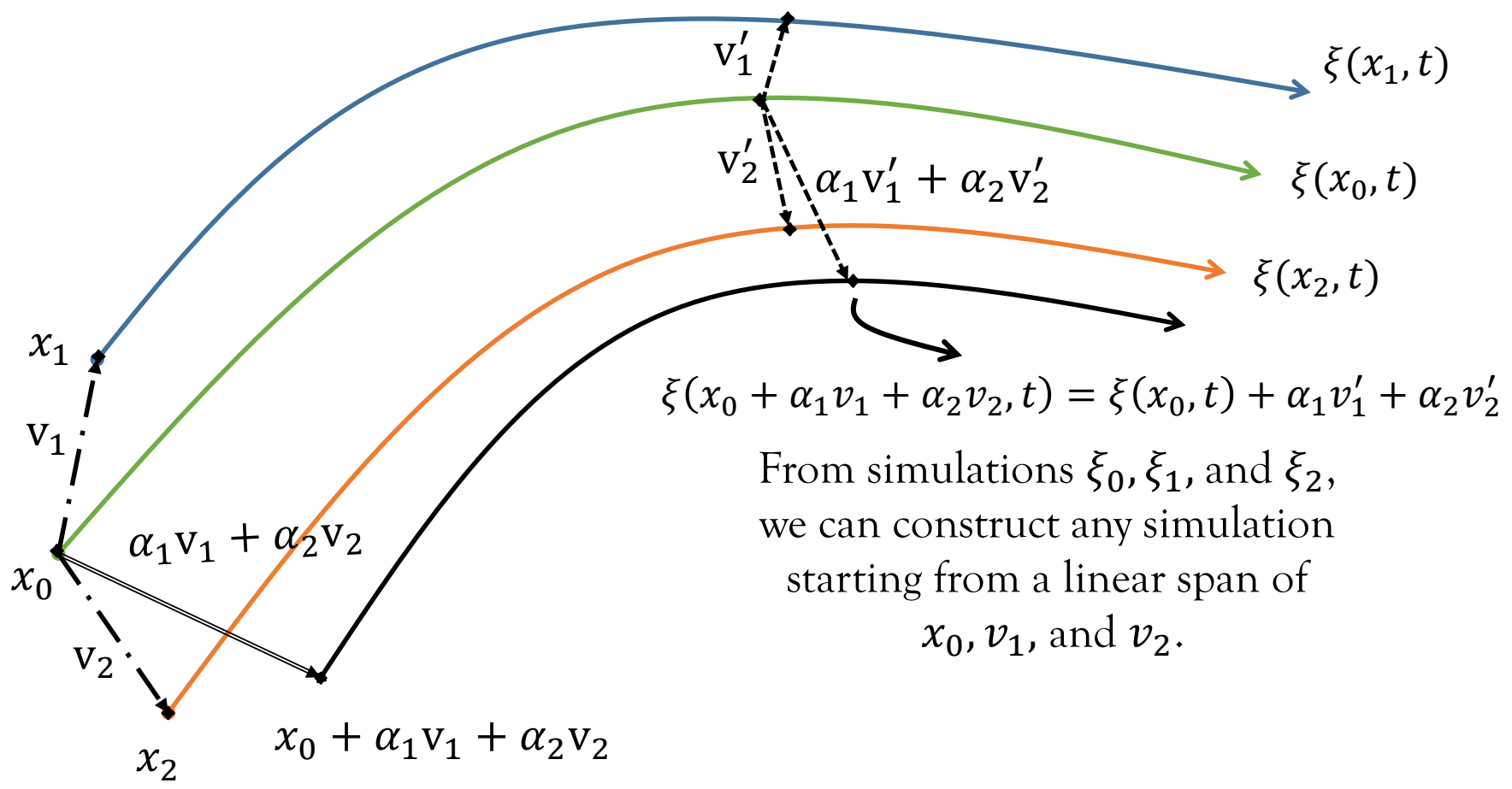


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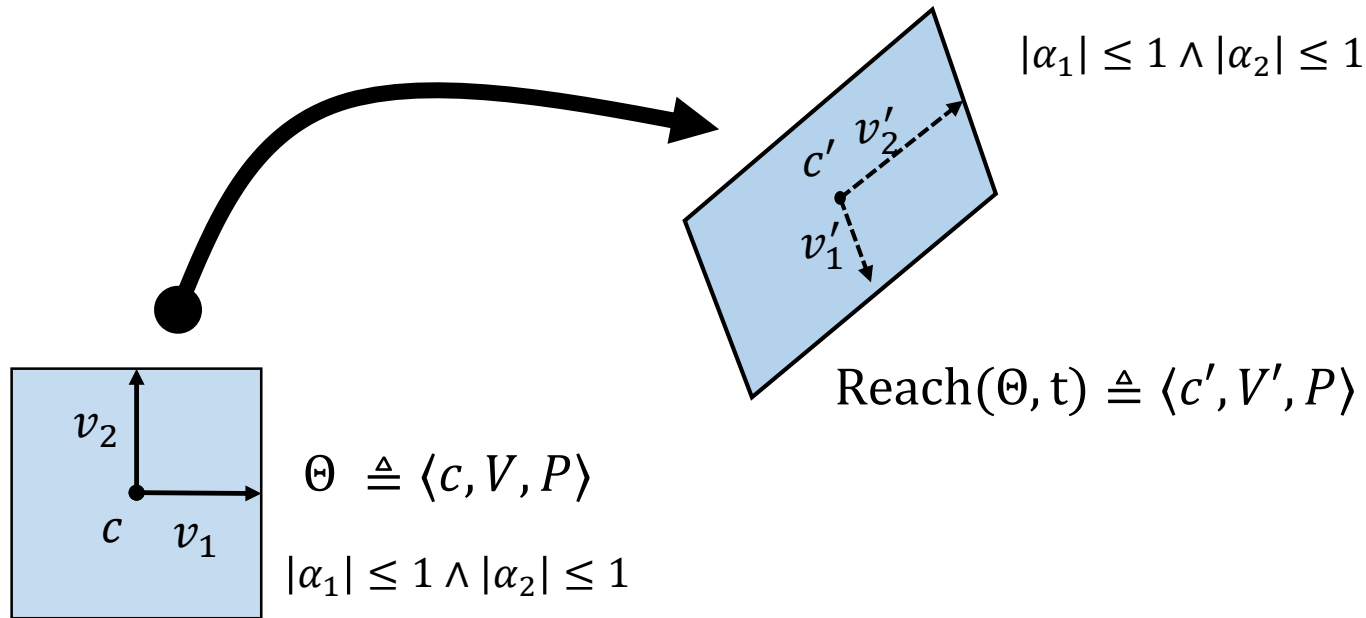
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Technique: Basic Idea

- Given initial set $\Theta = \langle c, V, P \rangle$, the **Reach** is computed not as new predicate, but is done by changing the *center* and the *basis* vectors.



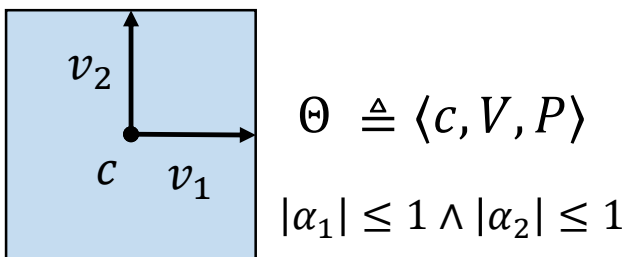
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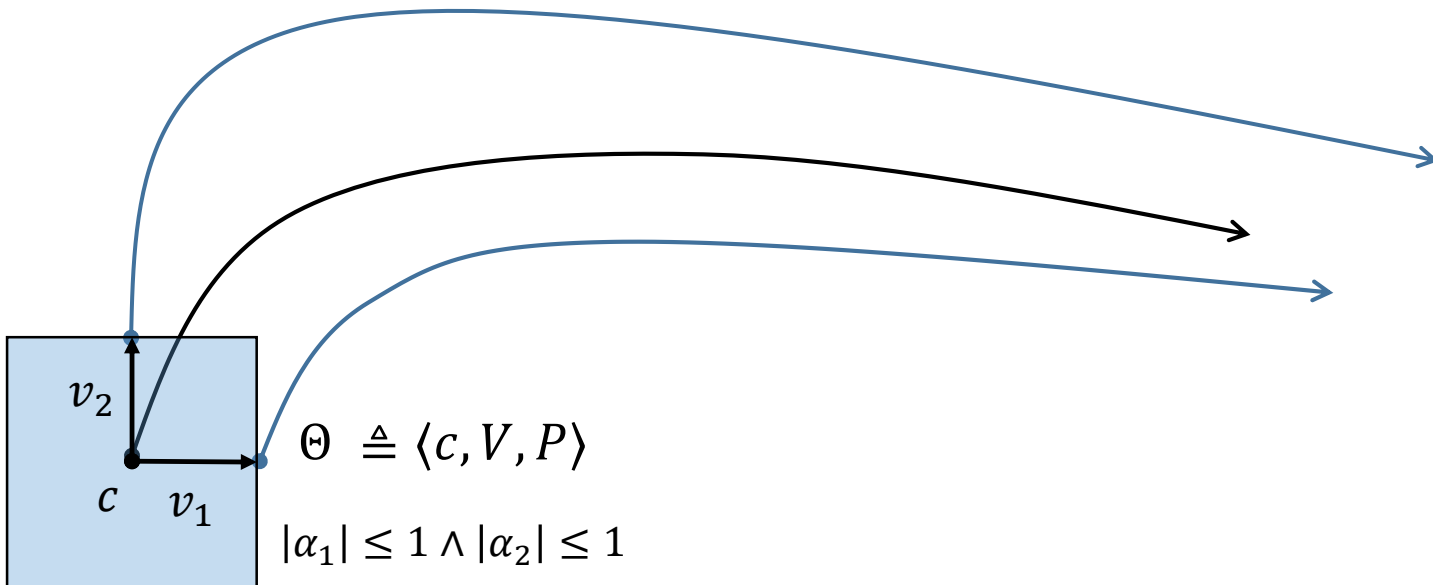


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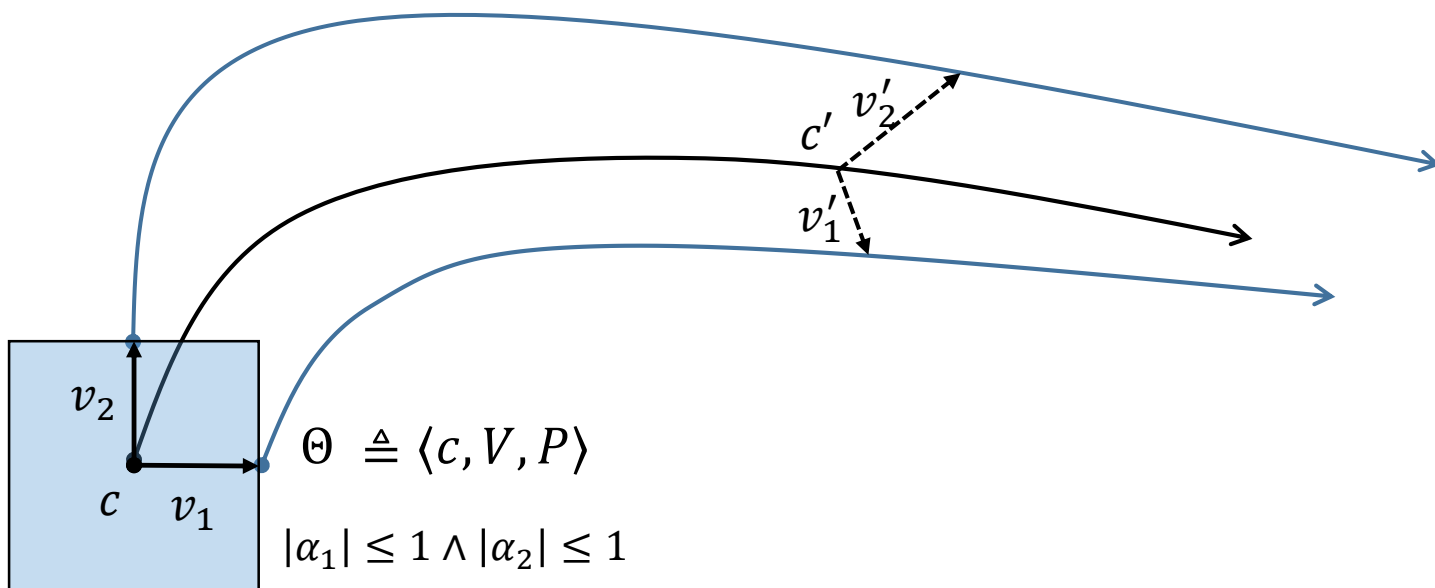


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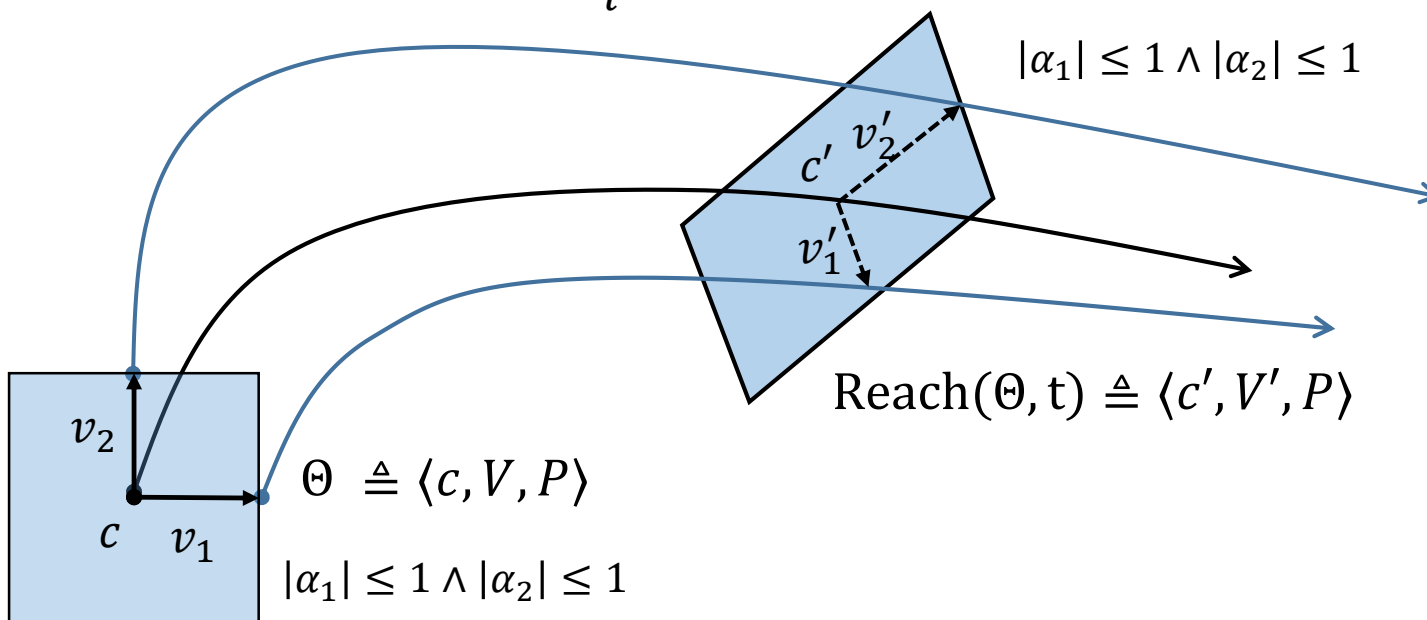


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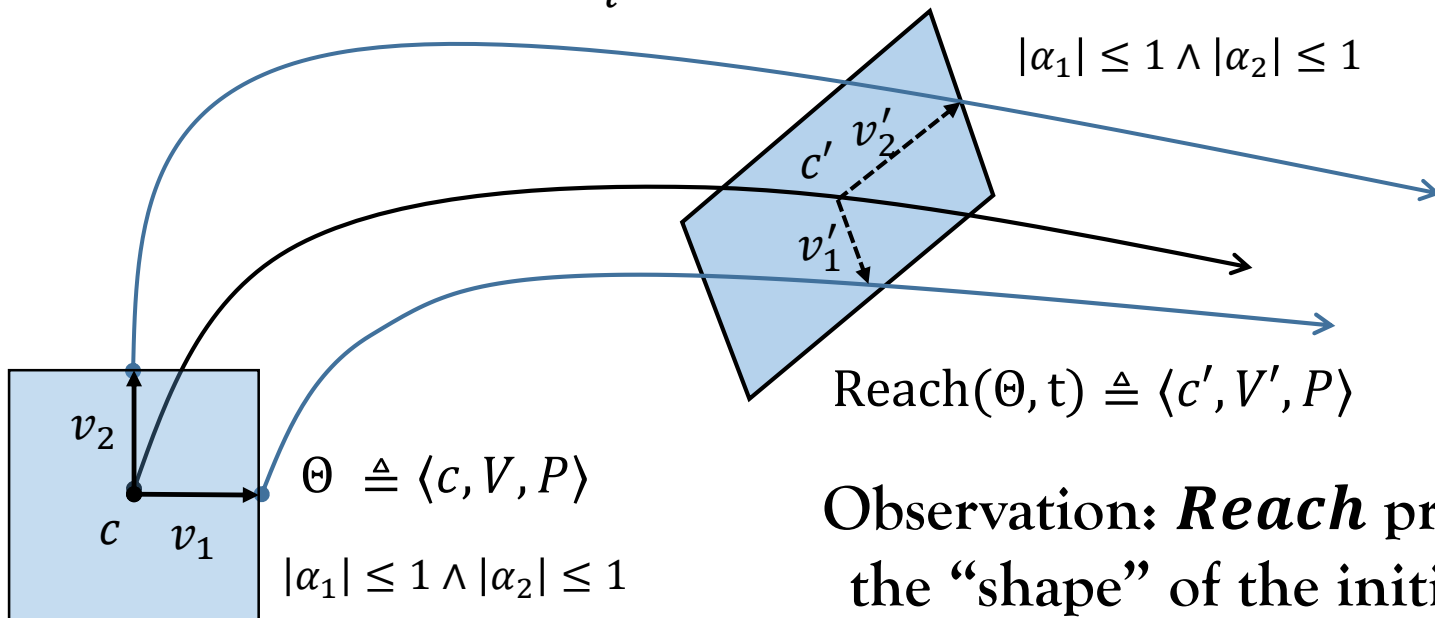


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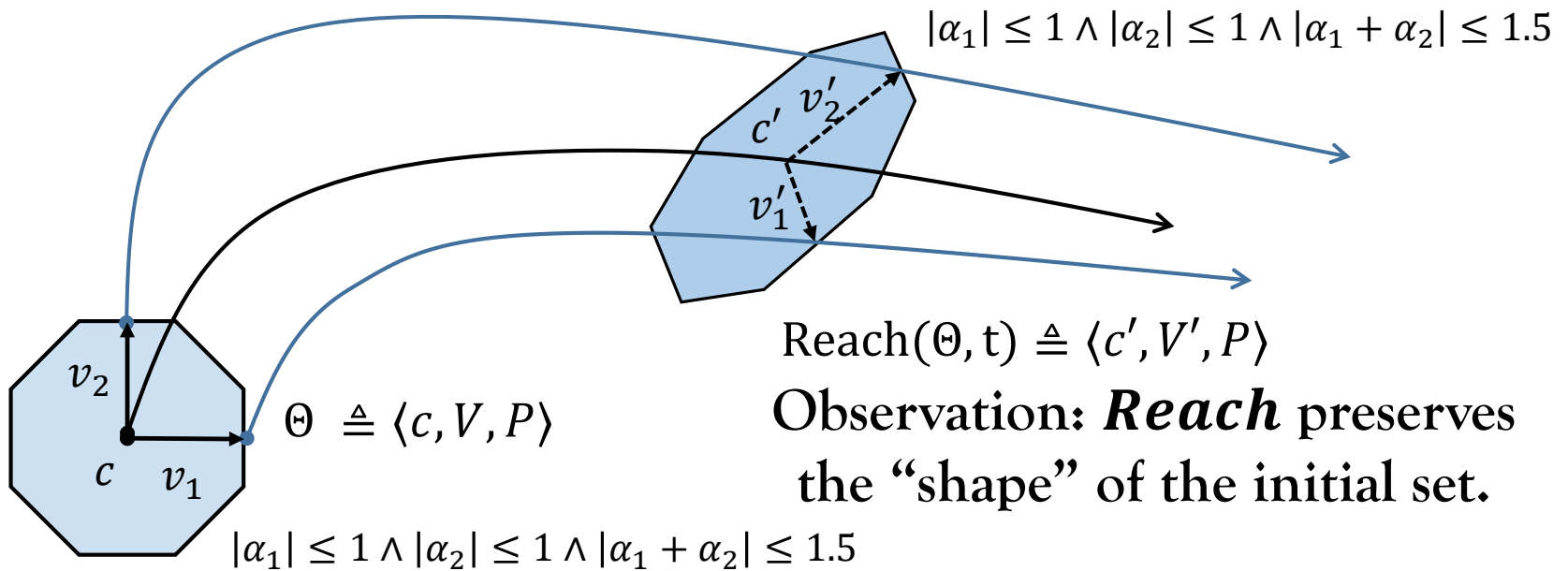


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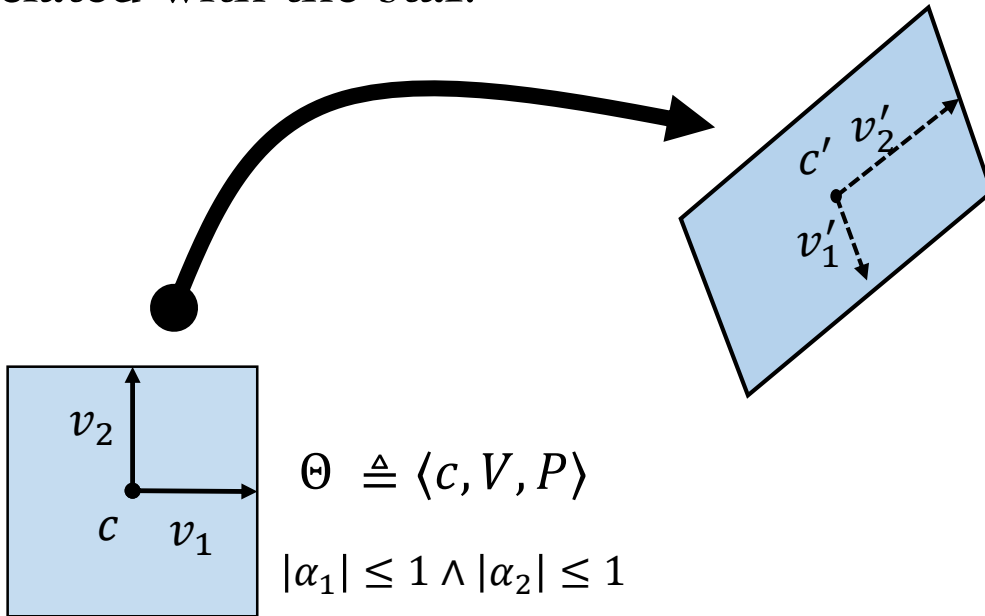
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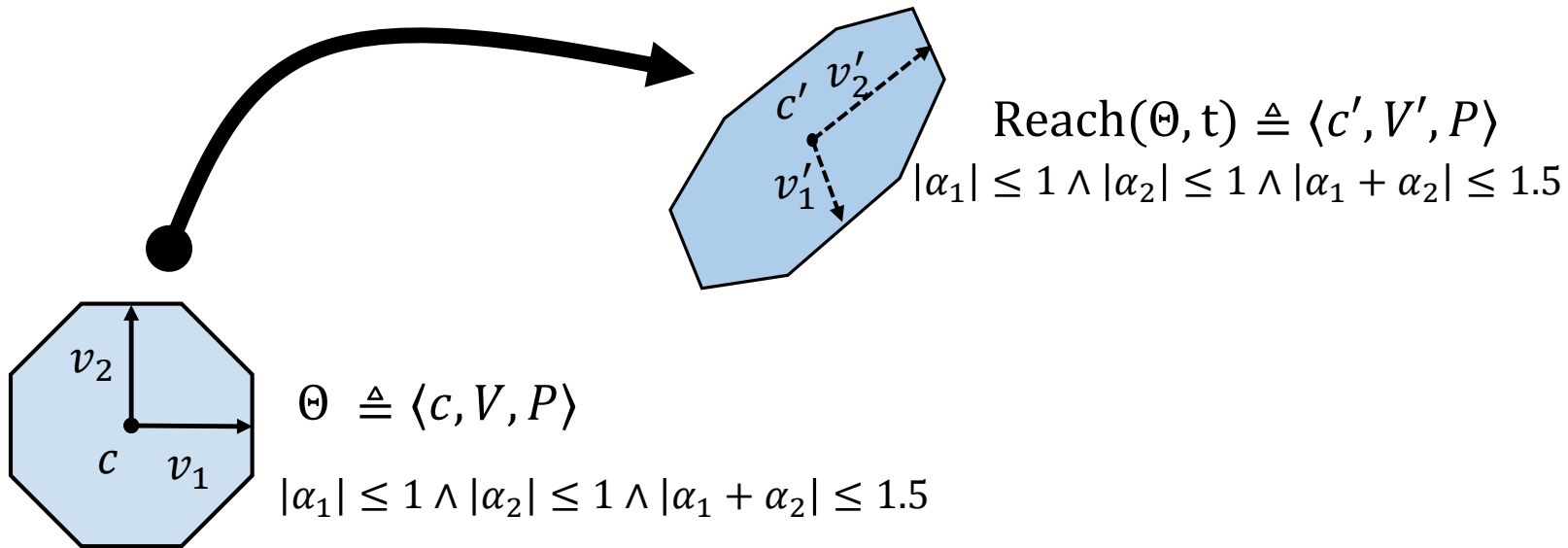


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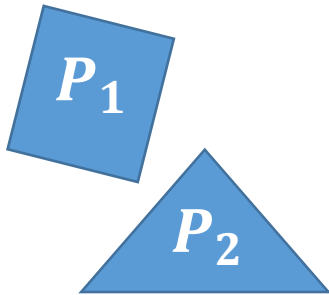
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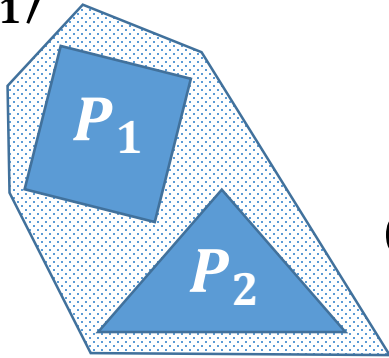
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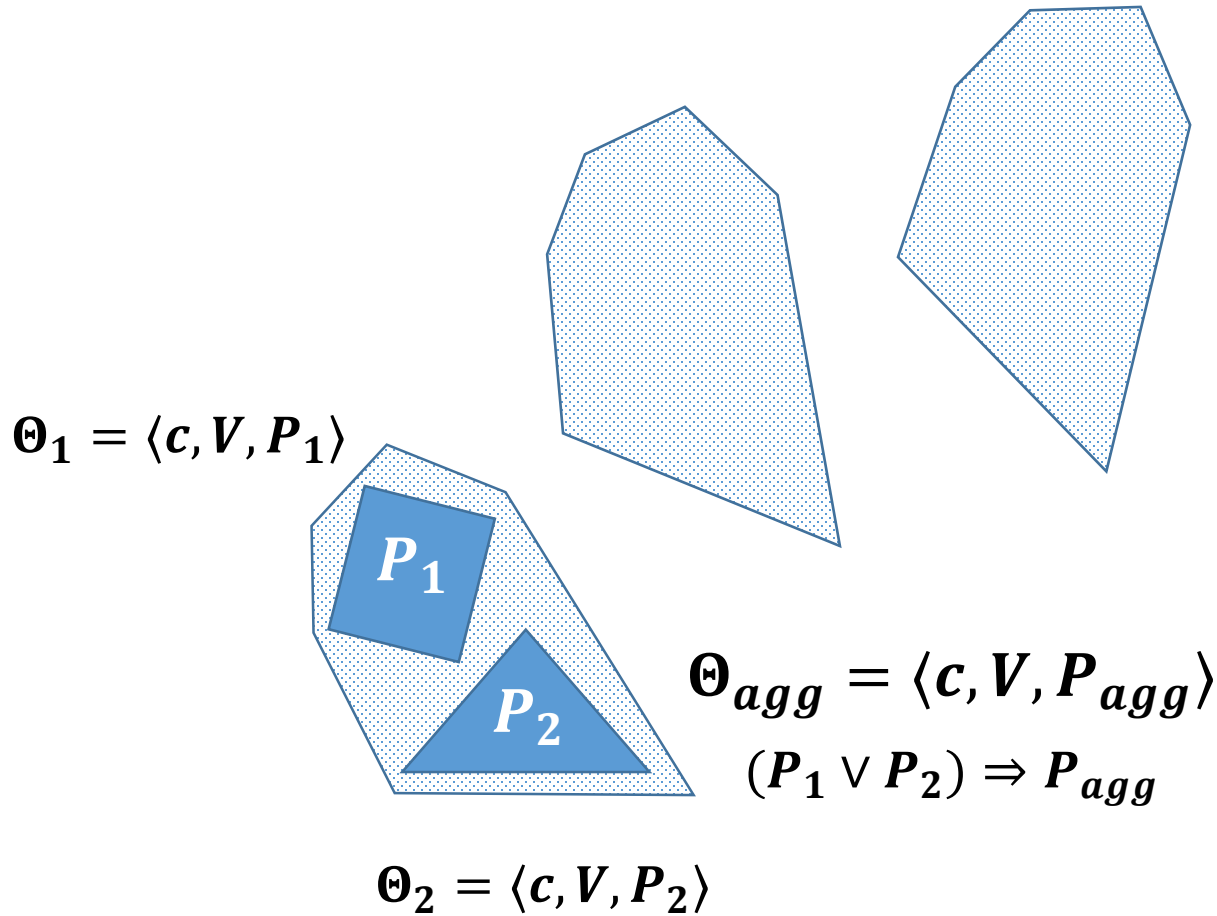
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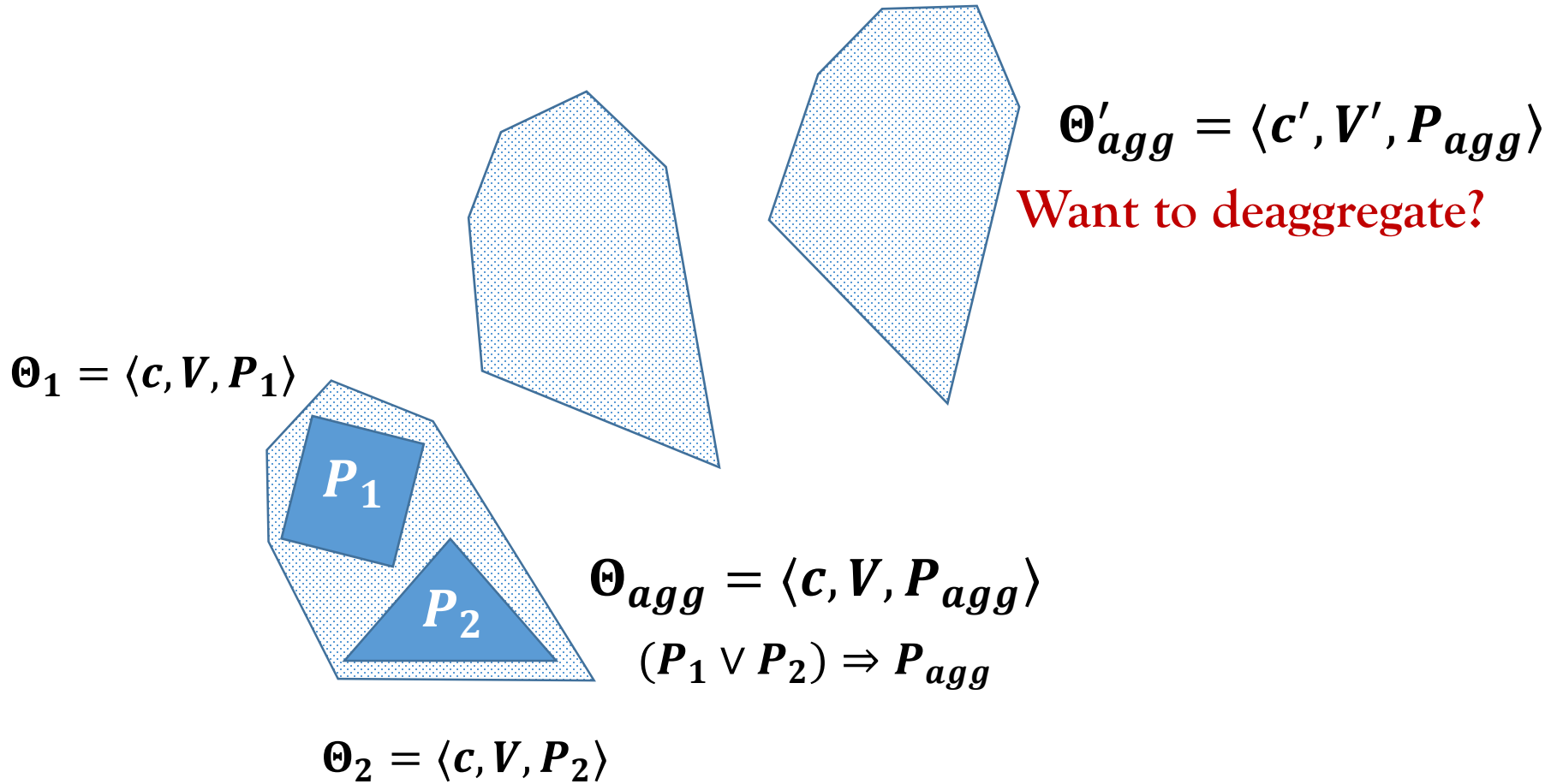


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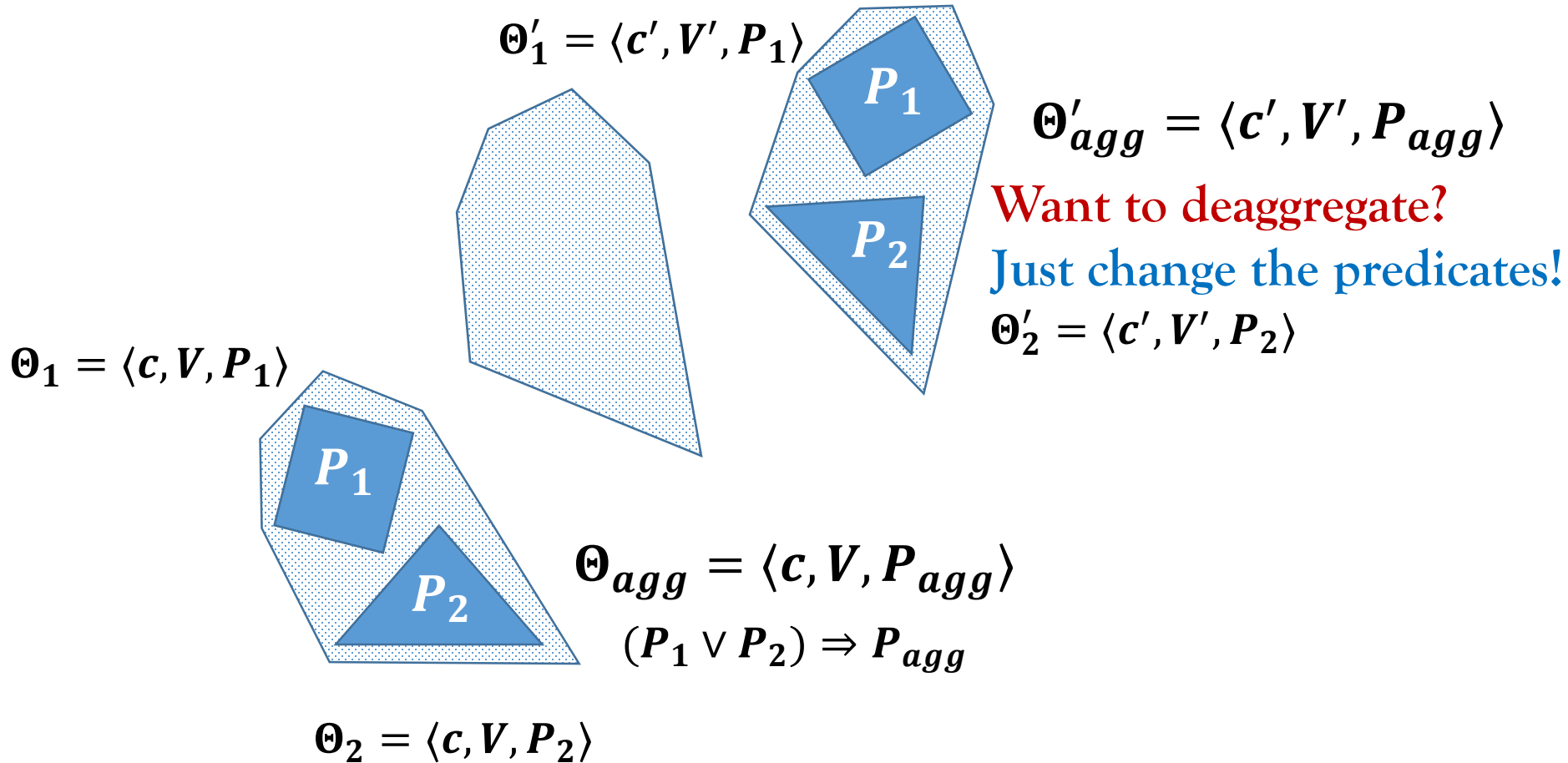


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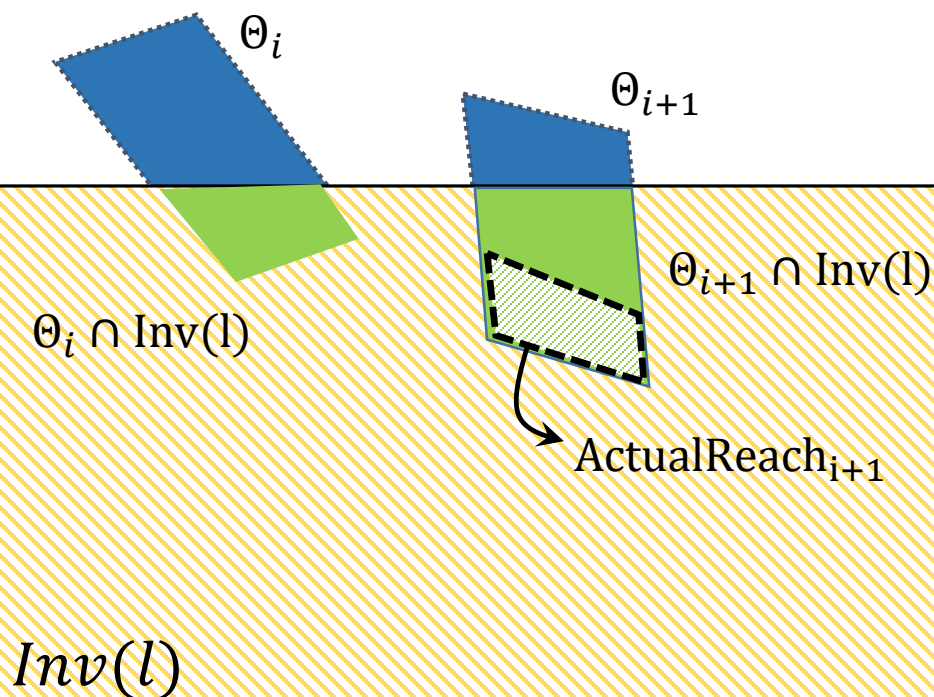


Handling Invariants and Discrete Transitions



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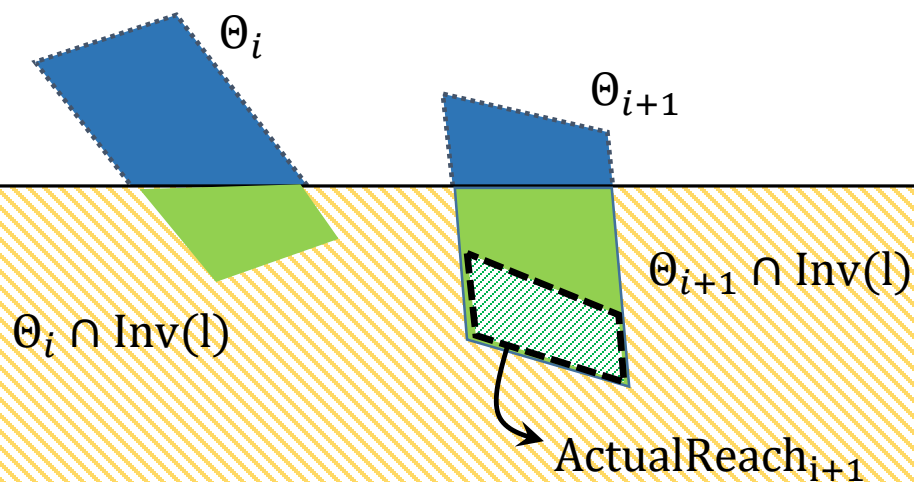
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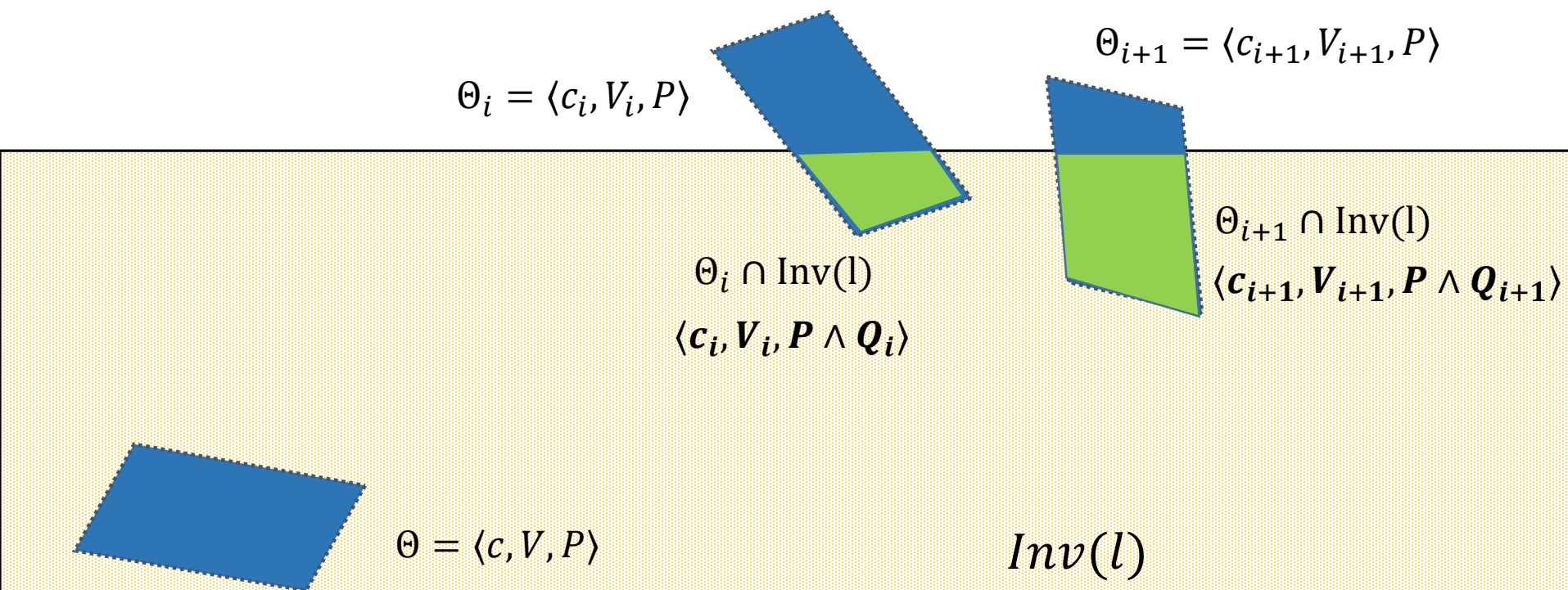
Q) How to compute $ActualReach_{i+1}$?
A) Use constraint propagation!



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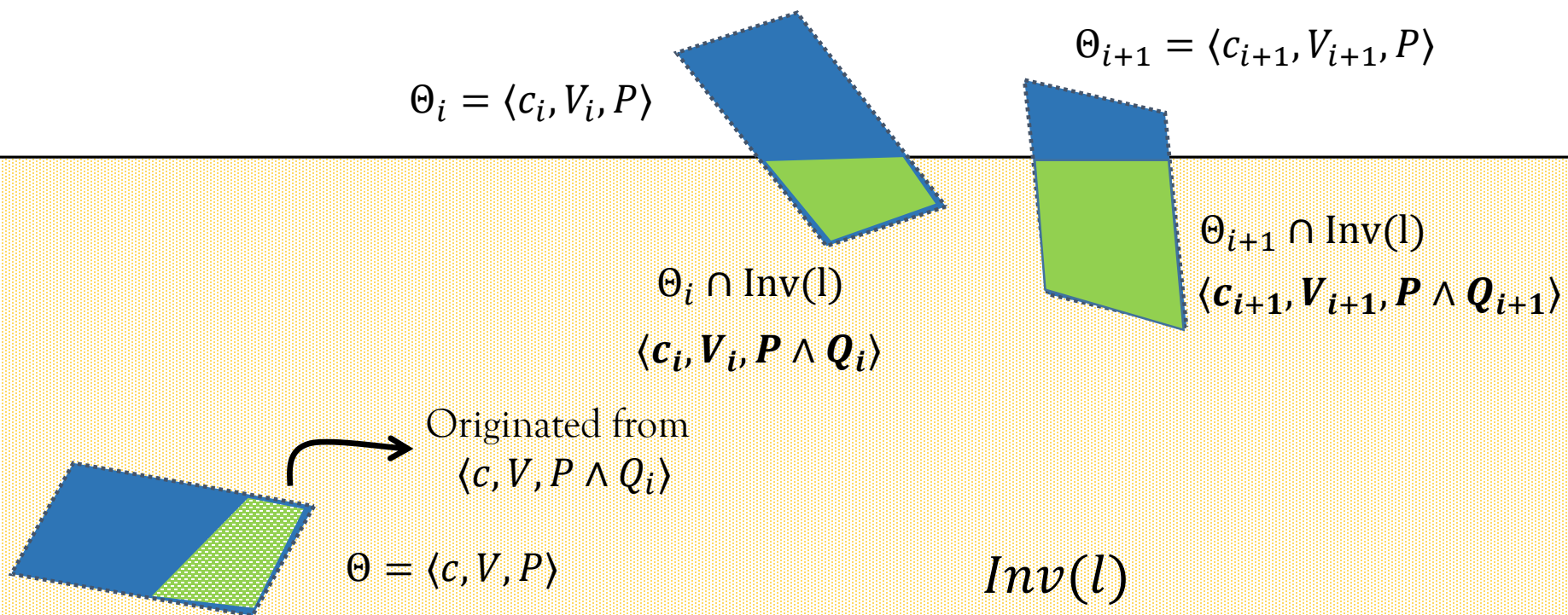




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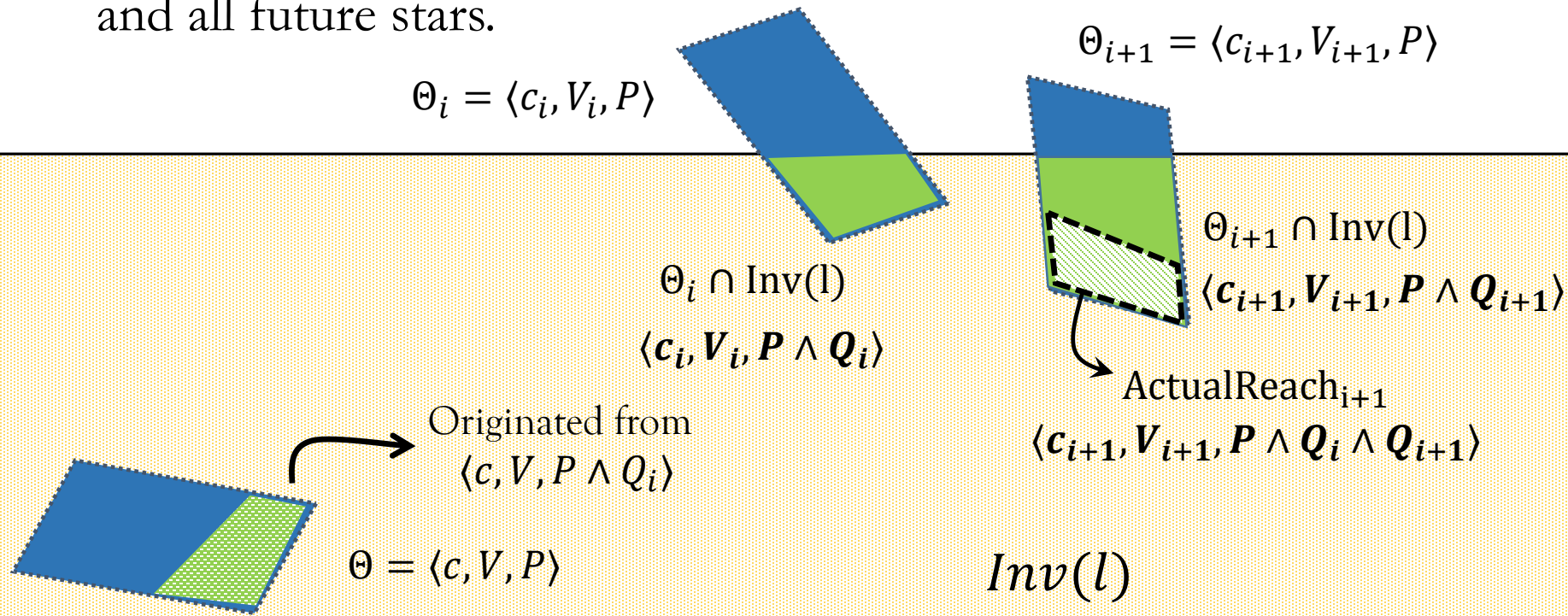
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4. **[Empirical heuristic]:** Compare successive constraints Q_i and Q_{i+1} and if Q_{i+1} is stronger than Q_i , replace Q_i with Q_{i+1} .



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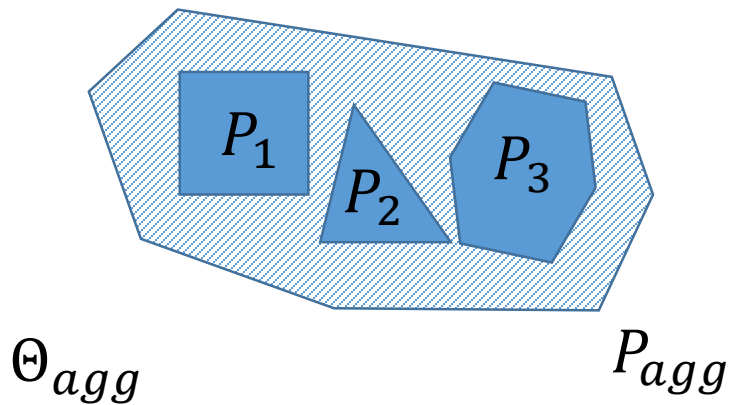
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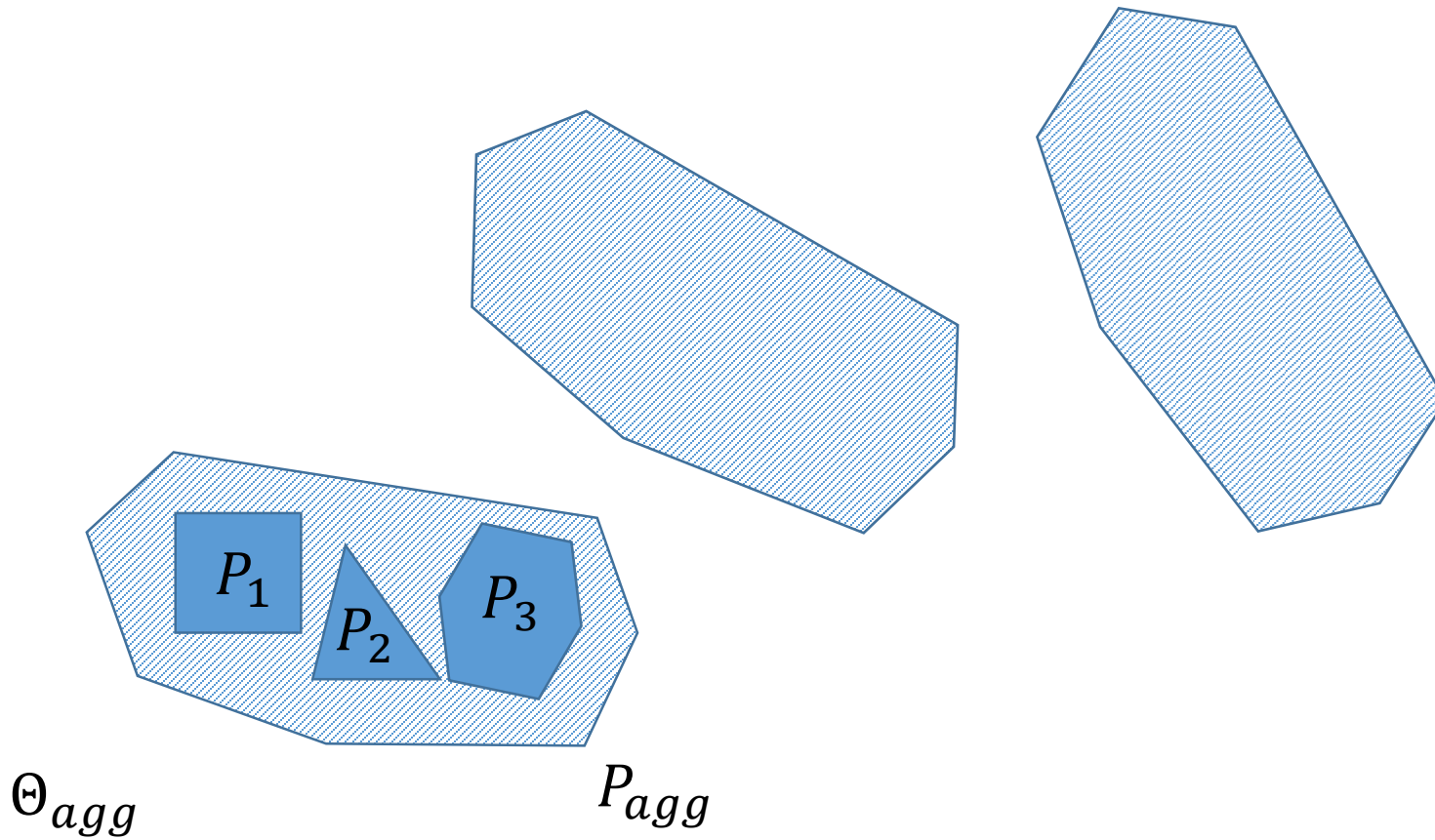
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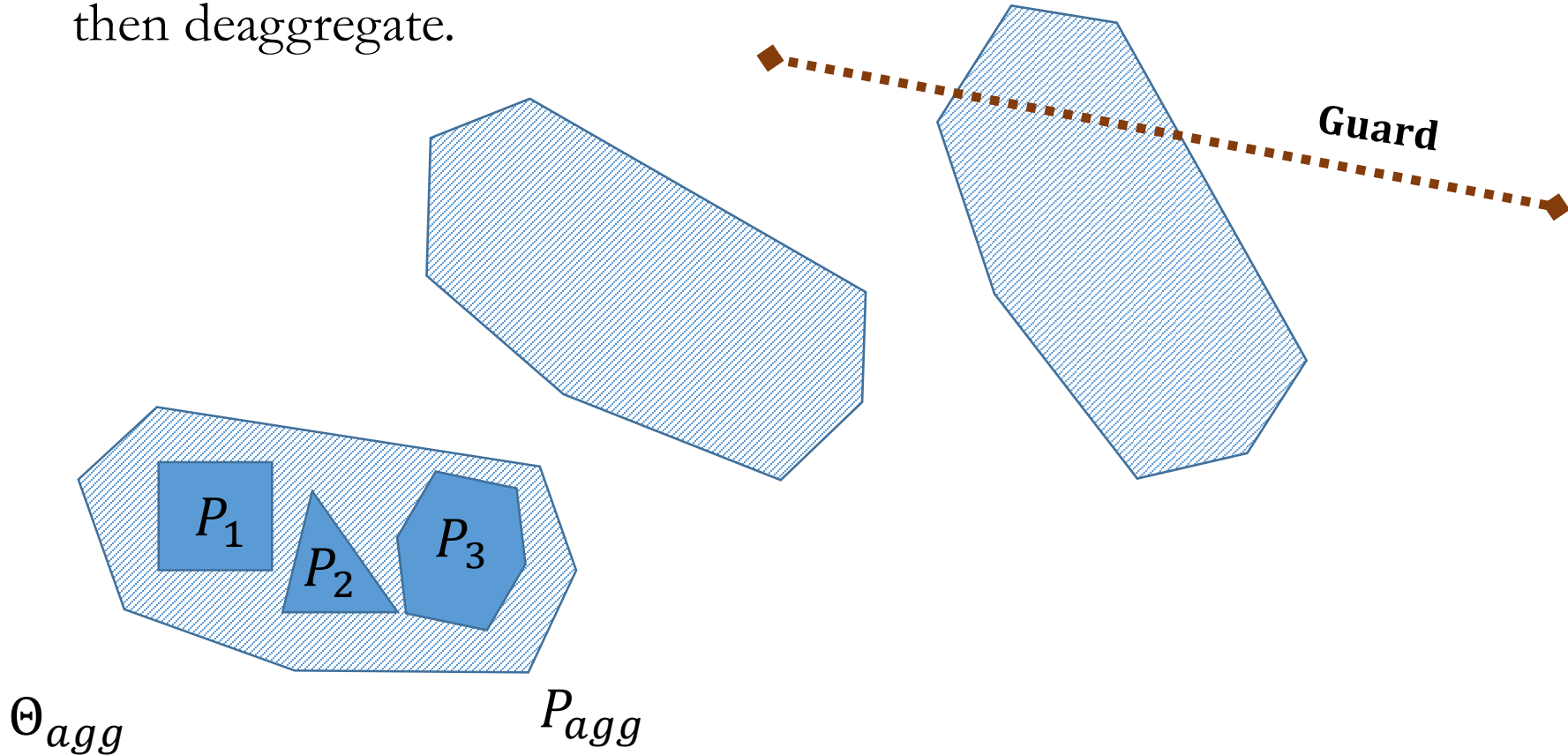
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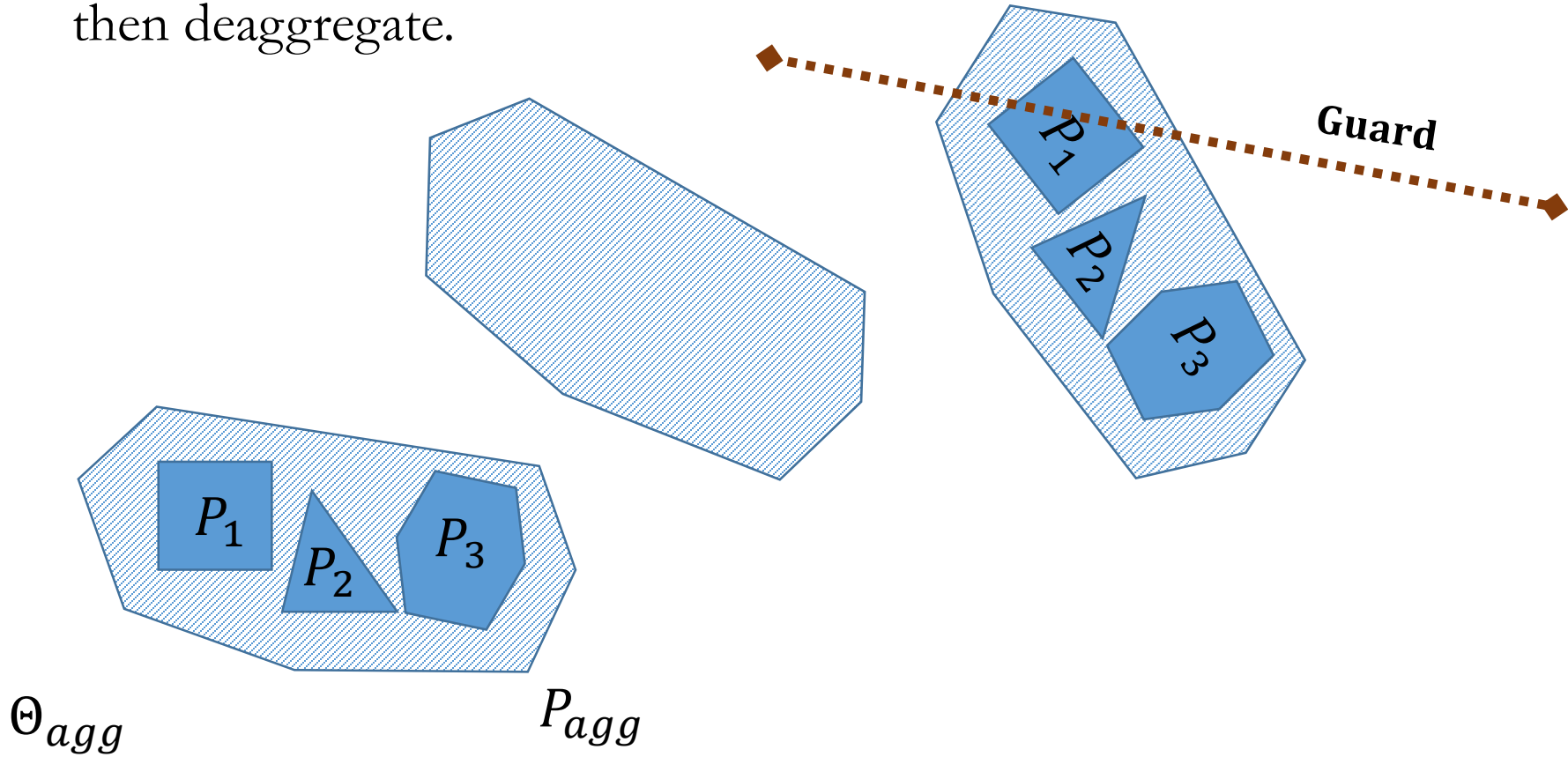
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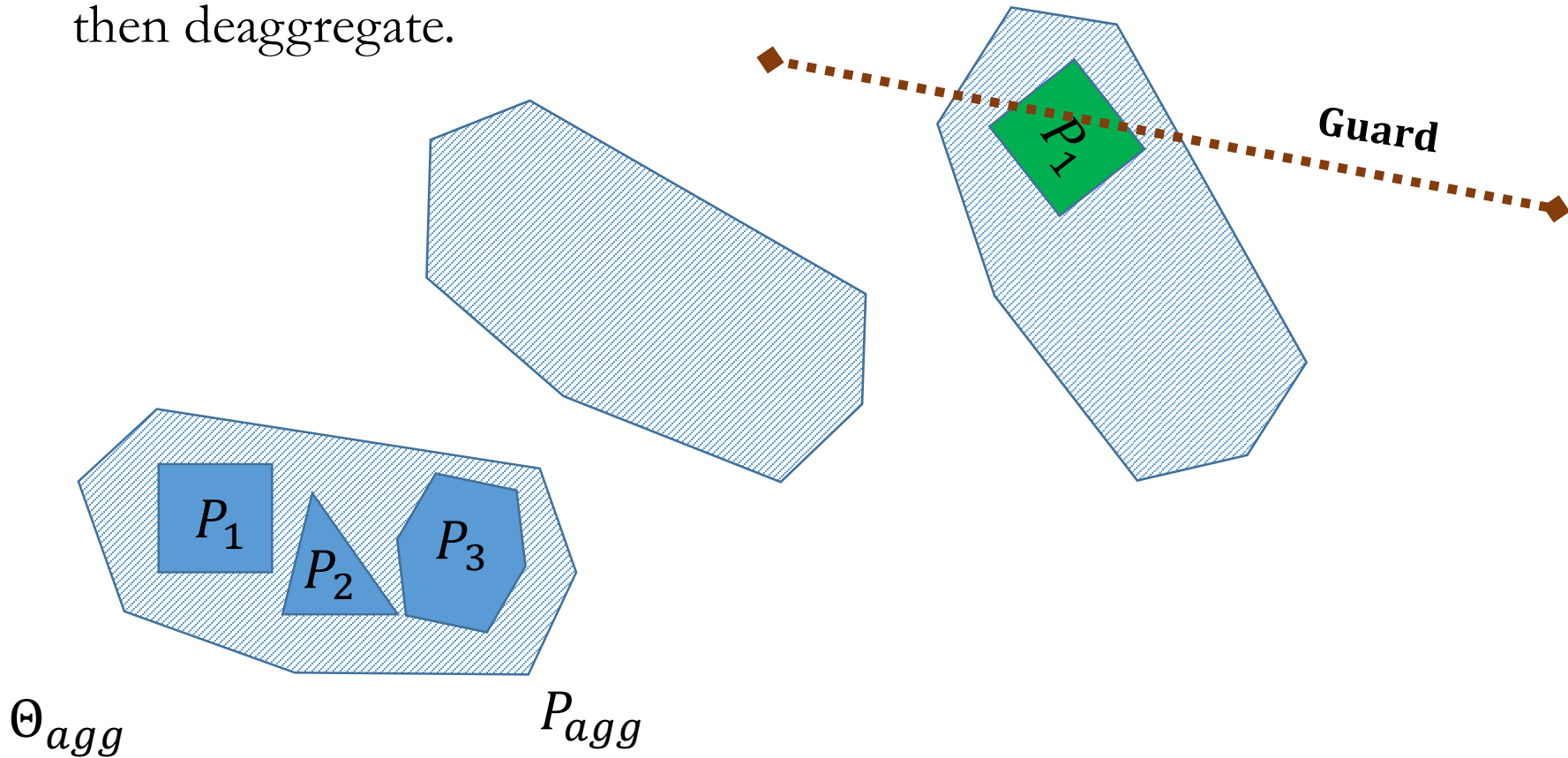
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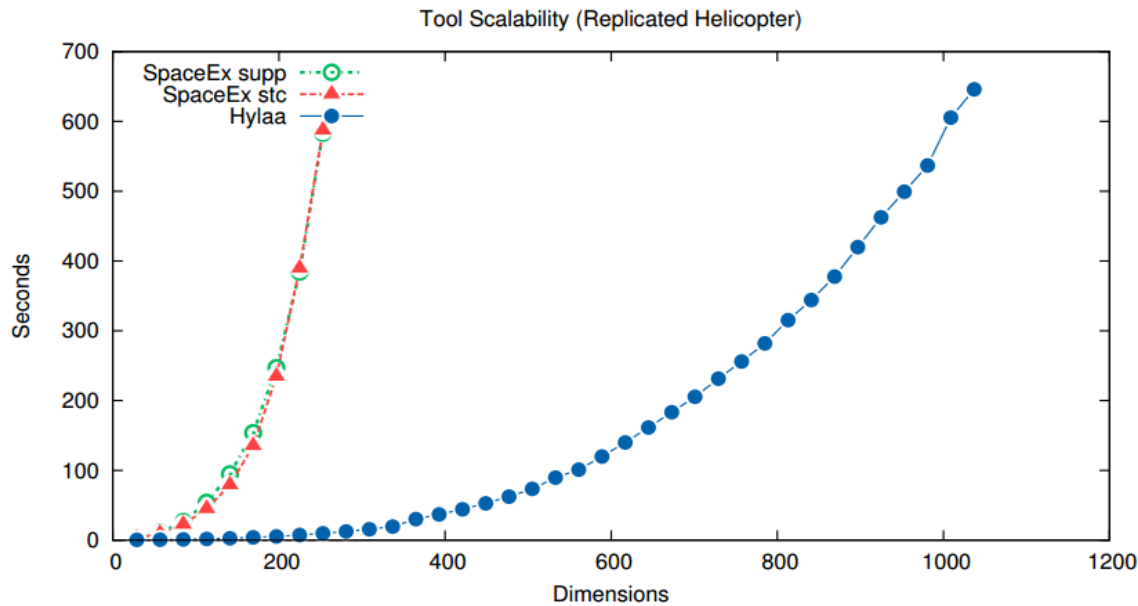
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Experimental Evaluation HyLAA



Scalability with respect to number of dimensions.***



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29	2.98	2.60	0.42
57	10.93	9.48	0.67
141	94.83	79.23	2.65
253	583.27	587.42	9.79
449	-	-	52.67
1009	-	-	605.38

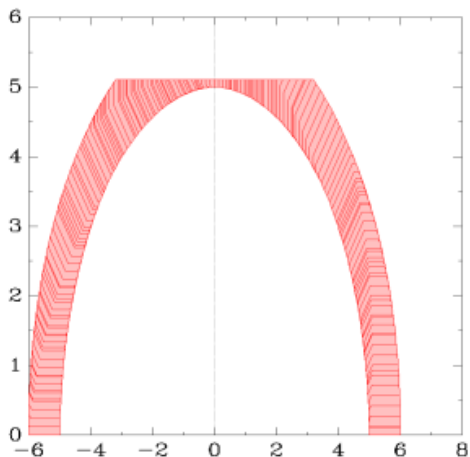
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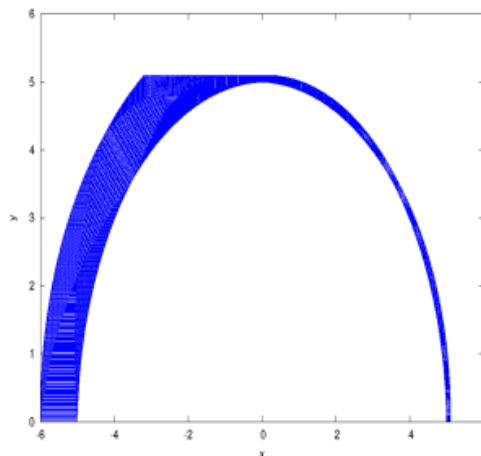


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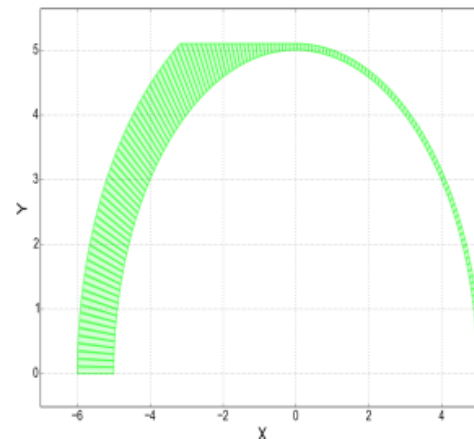
Constraint Propagation



(a) SpaceEx stc



(b) Flow*



(c) HyLAA

Step	No Trim	Trim
0.05	16	5
0.005	119	9
0.001	576	25
0.0005	1148	45

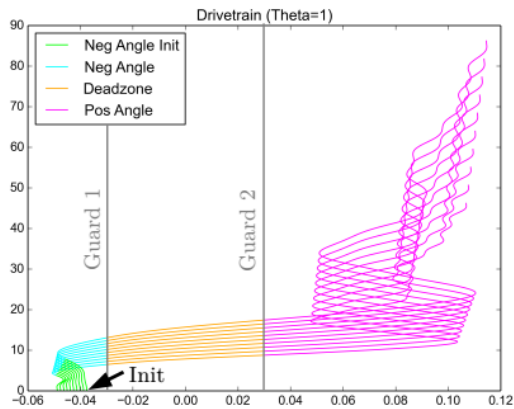




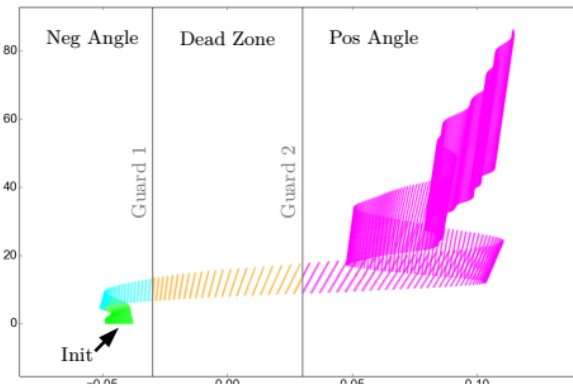
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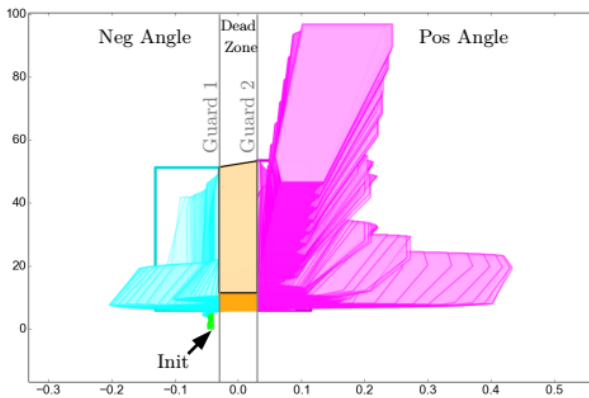


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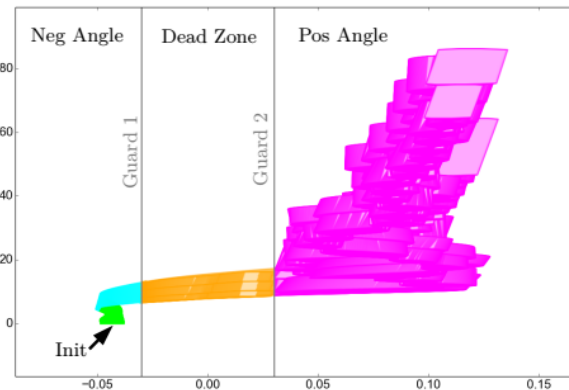


(b) Unaggregated

- Without aggregation is very expensive
- Completely aggregated introduces new transitions and doesn't terminate.



(c) Aggregated (incomplete)



(d) Deaggregated

- Dynamic deaggregation has 1.2x – 5x speedup based on the system.





HyLAA



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# Dims	10	12	14	16	18	20	24	30	42
Deaggregated	25.70	44.94	24.71	131.82	47.72	267.71	450.42	331.57	516.21
Unaggregated	112.94	79.24	98.63	145.87	214.80	409.55	561.47	384.55	672.60

- Automotive drivetrain system with additional masses ($8 + 2\theta$).
- In lower dimensions, the synchronous behavior of masses gives a better performance for aggregation.
- In higher dimensions, the benefits of aggregation are low because deaggregation is performed more often.





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