

# Cyber-Physical Systems

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## Lecture 15: STL applications

# Falsification re-framed

Given:

- ▶ Set of all such input signals :  $U$
- ▶ Input signal  $\mathbf{u} : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow D_1 \times \cdots \times D_m$ , where  $\mathbb{T} \subseteq [0, T]$ ,  $D_i \subset \mathbb{R}$  compact set
- ▶ Model  $M$  s.t.  $M(\mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{y}$ ,  $\mathbf{y} : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$   
 $M$  maps  $\mathbf{u}$  to some signal  $\mathbf{y}$  with the same domain as  $\mathbf{u}$ , and co-domain some subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- ▶ Property  $\varphi$  that can be evaluated to true/false over given  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{y}$

Check:  $\exists \mathbf{u} \in U : (\mathbf{y} = M(\mathbf{u})) \models \neg \varphi(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{y})$

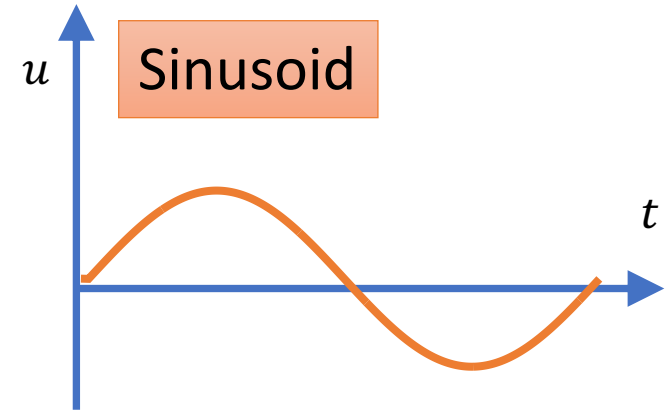
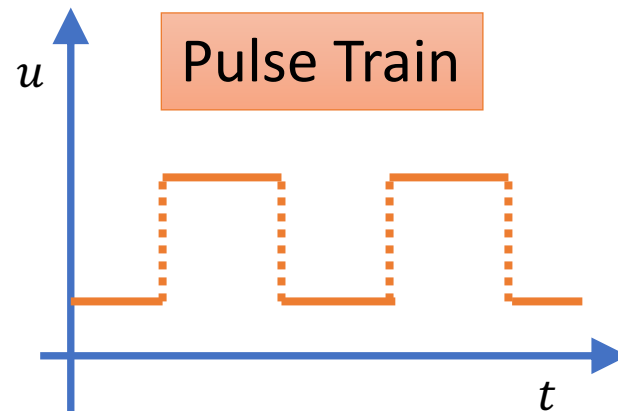
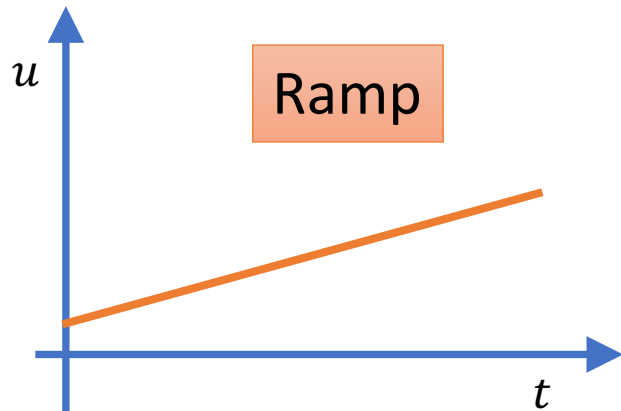
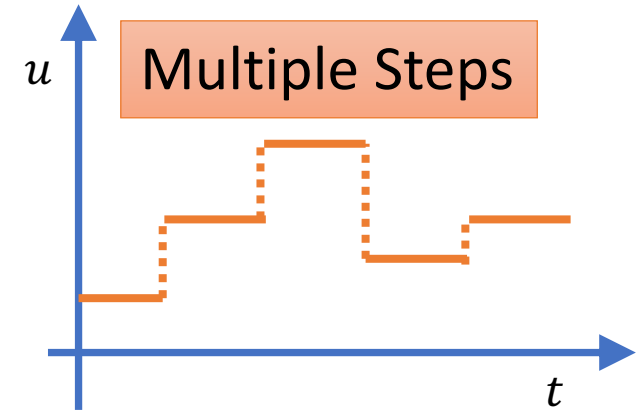
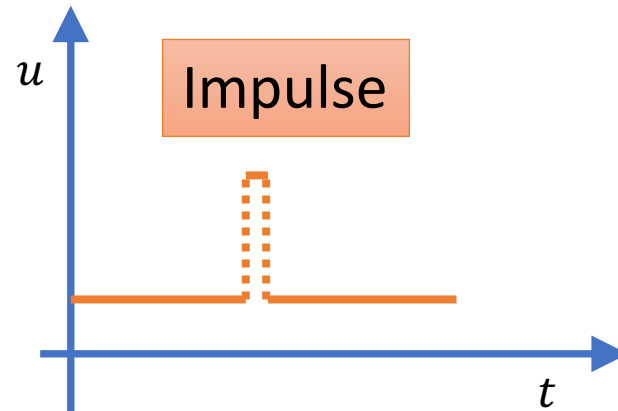
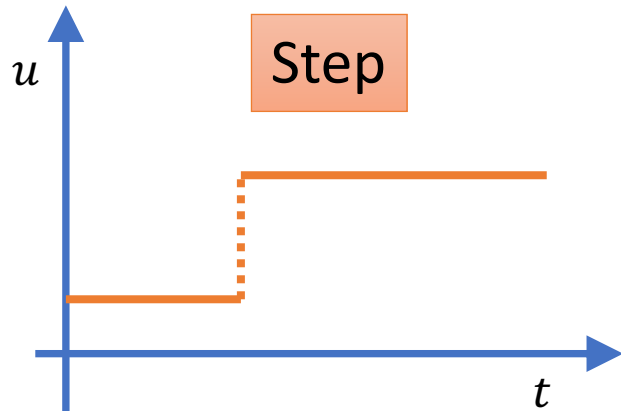
# Input/Output Properties for Closed-loop Models

- ▶ Properties/Specifications/Requirements are rarely monolithic formulas  $\varphi(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{y})$
- ▶ Typically specified as a pair: a pre-condition  $\varphi_I$  on the inputs, and a post-condition  $\varphi_O$  on the outputs
- ▶ Verification problem then stated as:  
Prove that:  $\forall \mathbf{u} \in U: (\mathbf{u} \models \varphi_I) \wedge (\mathbf{y} = M(\mathbf{u})) \Rightarrow (\mathbf{y} \models \varphi_O)$
- ▶ Testing problem stated as:  
Find  $u$  such that  $(\mathbf{u} \models \varphi_I) \wedge (\mathbf{y} = M(\mathbf{u})) \wedge (\mathbf{y} \not\models \varphi_O)$

# Input Properties/Pre-conditions

- ▶ Common practice in control theory to excite closed-loop models with input signals of certain special shapes
- ▶ Motivation comes from theory of linear systems, where a *step-response* or *impulse-response* are enough to characterize all behaviors of the system
- ▶ Such special shapes do not provide comprehensive information for nonlinear closed-loop systems, yet, it is still common to excite these systems with a few common patterns
- ▶ Frequently, input signal patterns come from engineering insights or application-specific domain expertise

# Common input patterns used for testing



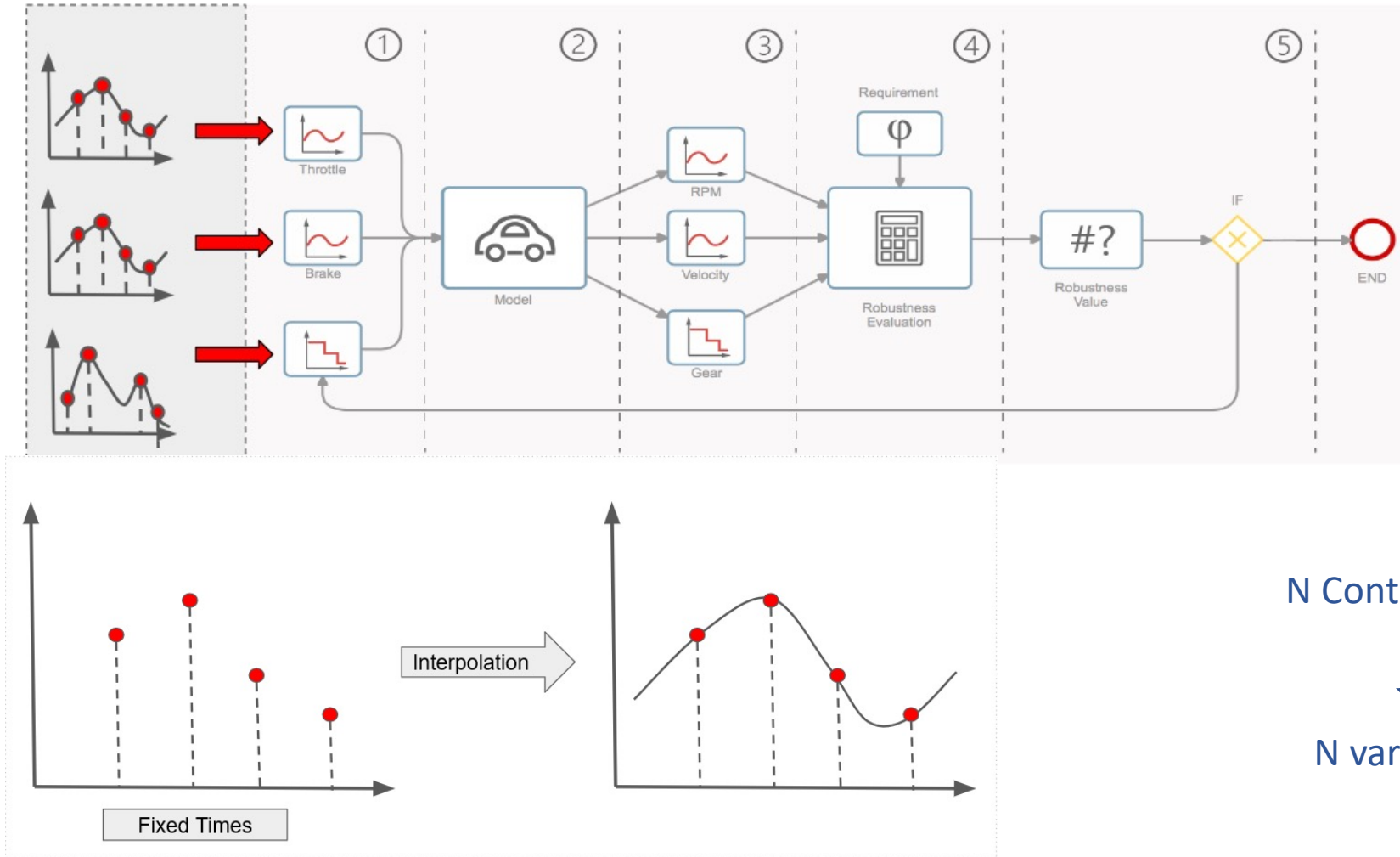
# Testing in practice

- ▶ Each time-point in a signal is an independent dimension, i.e. the signal can change arbitrarily at each time-point in the signal
- ▶ Number of independent domains is infinite (e.g. consider a signal defined over rational time-points)
- ▶ Typical testing approach is to find a *test-suite*: This is a **finite** number of test input signals (satisfying  $\varphi_I$ ) and then obtain output behaviors using these signals as test inputs.
- ▶ If each corresponding output signal satisfies the output property  $\varphi_O$ , then testing concludes, indicating that the model is correct for the given test-suite (i.e. no output in the test-suite satisfies  $\varphi_O$ ).

# Signal Generation

- ▶ Find a *signal generator* for the property  $\varphi_I$ 
  - ▶ Function that uses random-ness to generate an input signal that satisfies  $\varphi_I$  (hopefully, an input signal different from previously generated ones!)
- ▶ Signal generation usually relies on defining a *finite parameterization* for the input signal
  - ▶ For the chosen class of signals, find parameters that define the shape
  - ▶ Define acceptable ranges for the parameters
  - ▶ Define a generation function that takes the *parameter values* as inputs and generates an input signal

# Finite Parameterization



N Control points



N variable

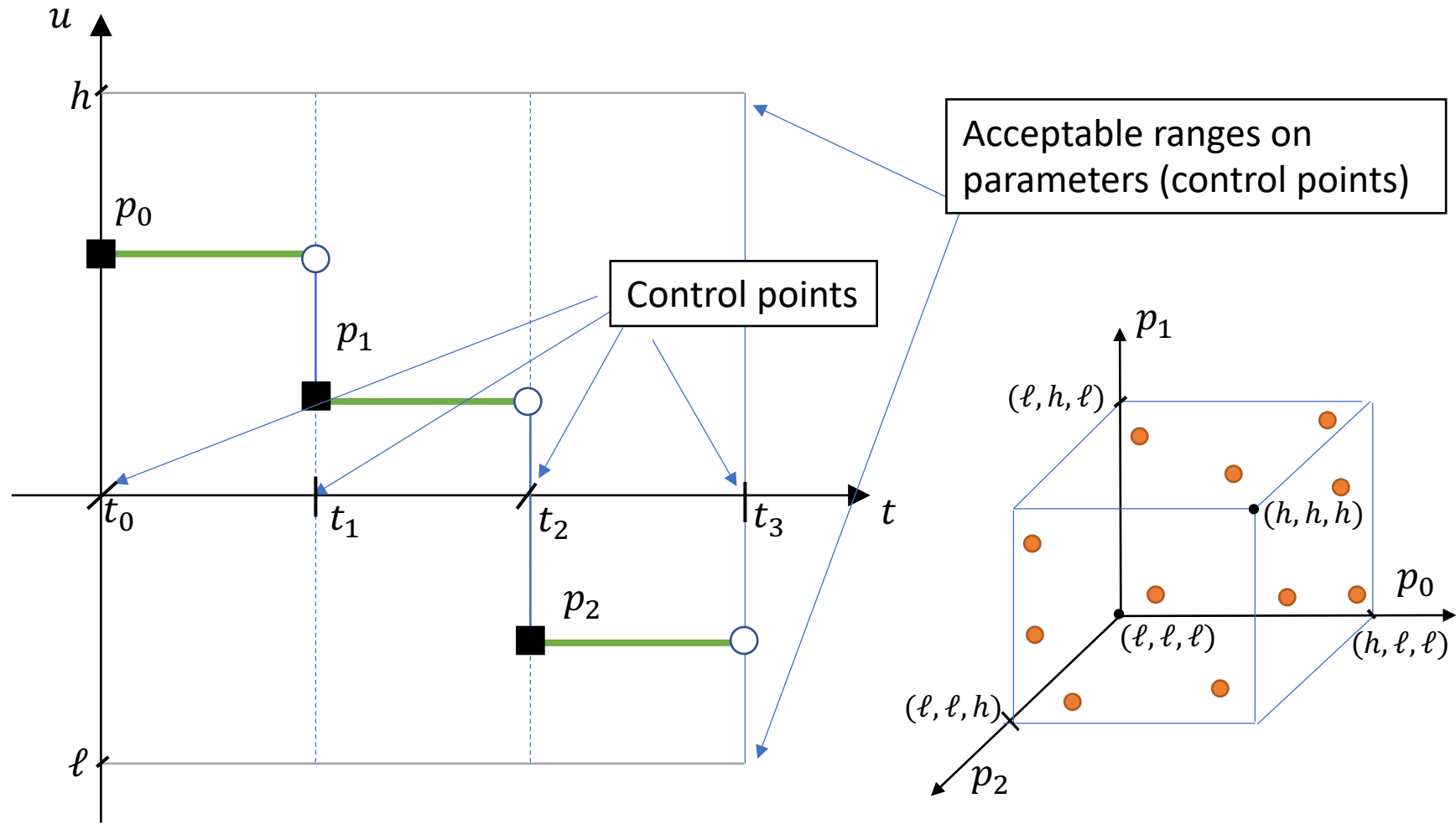


# Finite parameterization using control points

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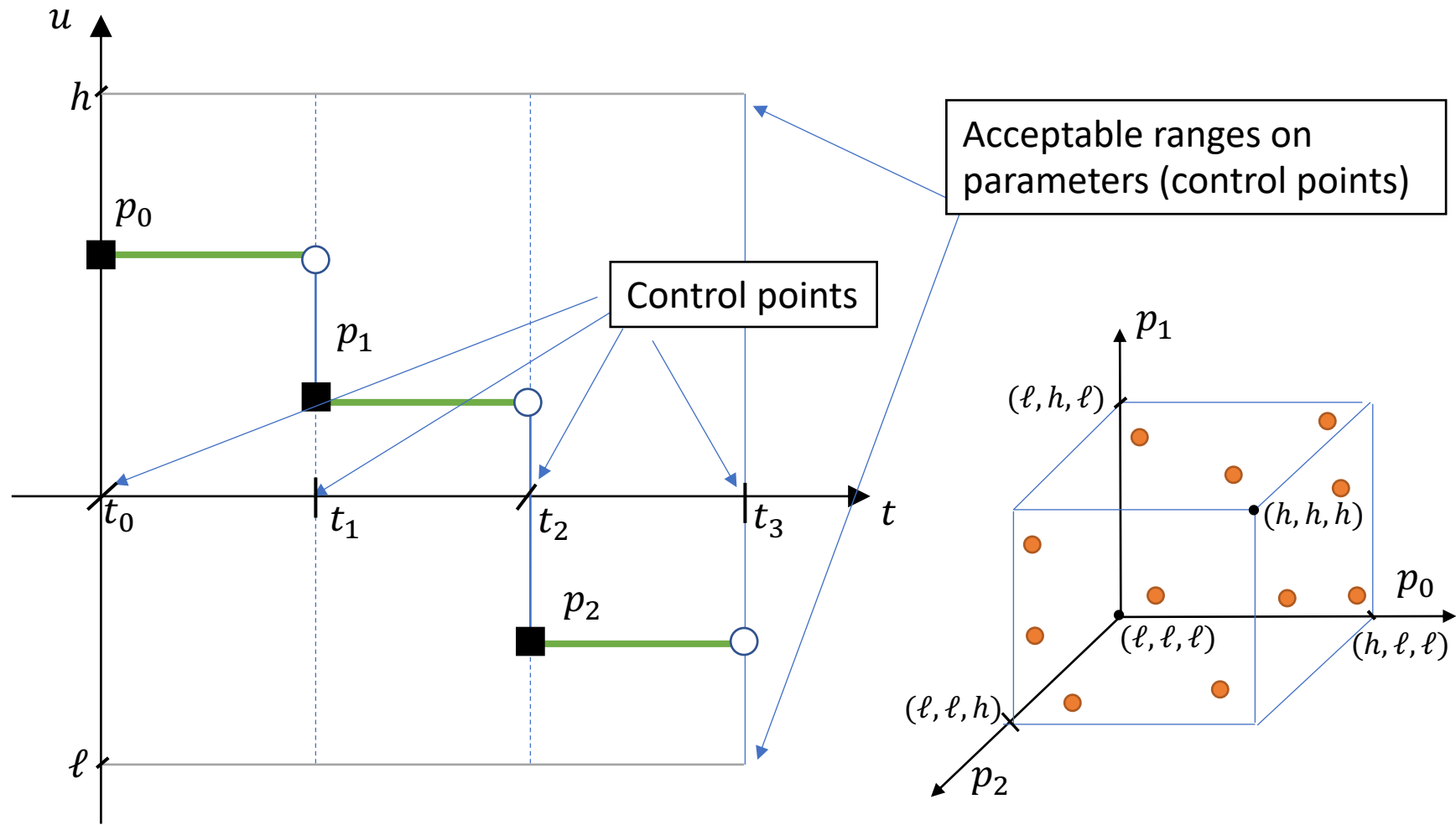


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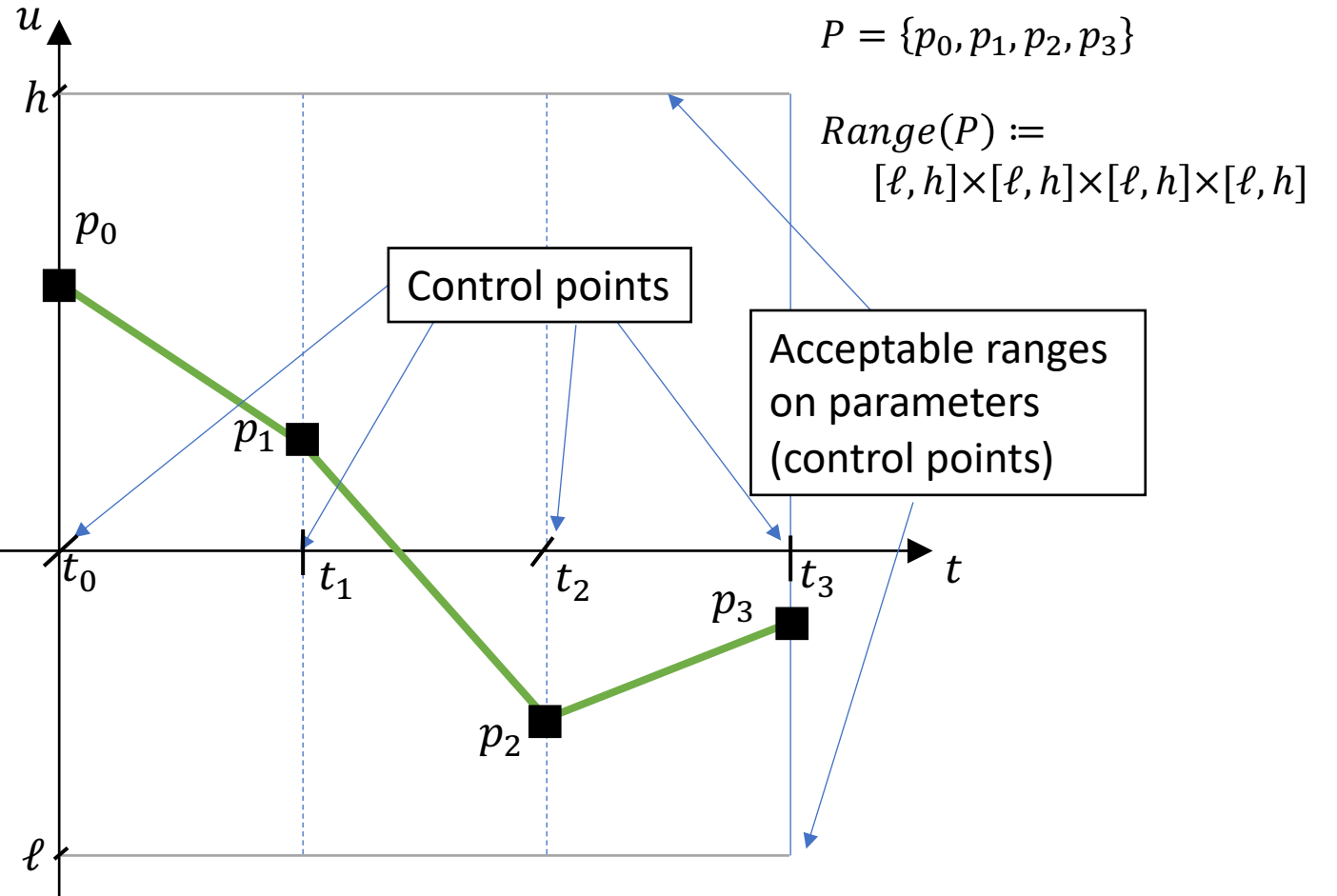


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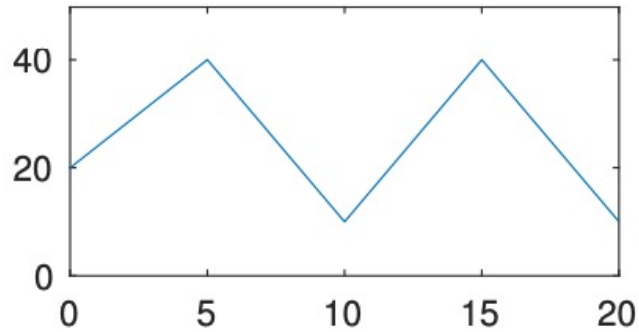
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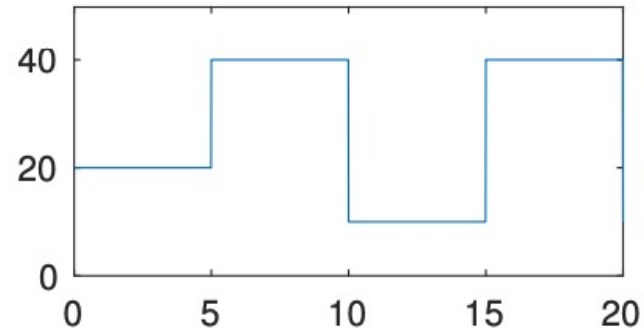


# Finite parameterization using interpolation

Linear



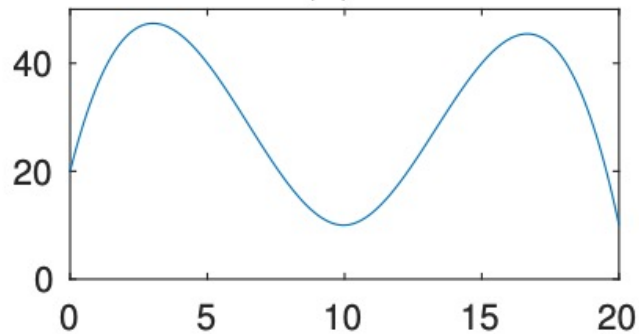
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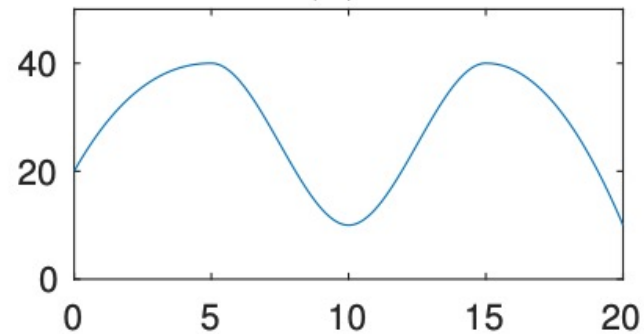
(b)

Piecewise constant

Spline



(c)



(d)

Piecewise cubic interpolation

$$\lambda = [20, 40, 10, 40, 10]$$

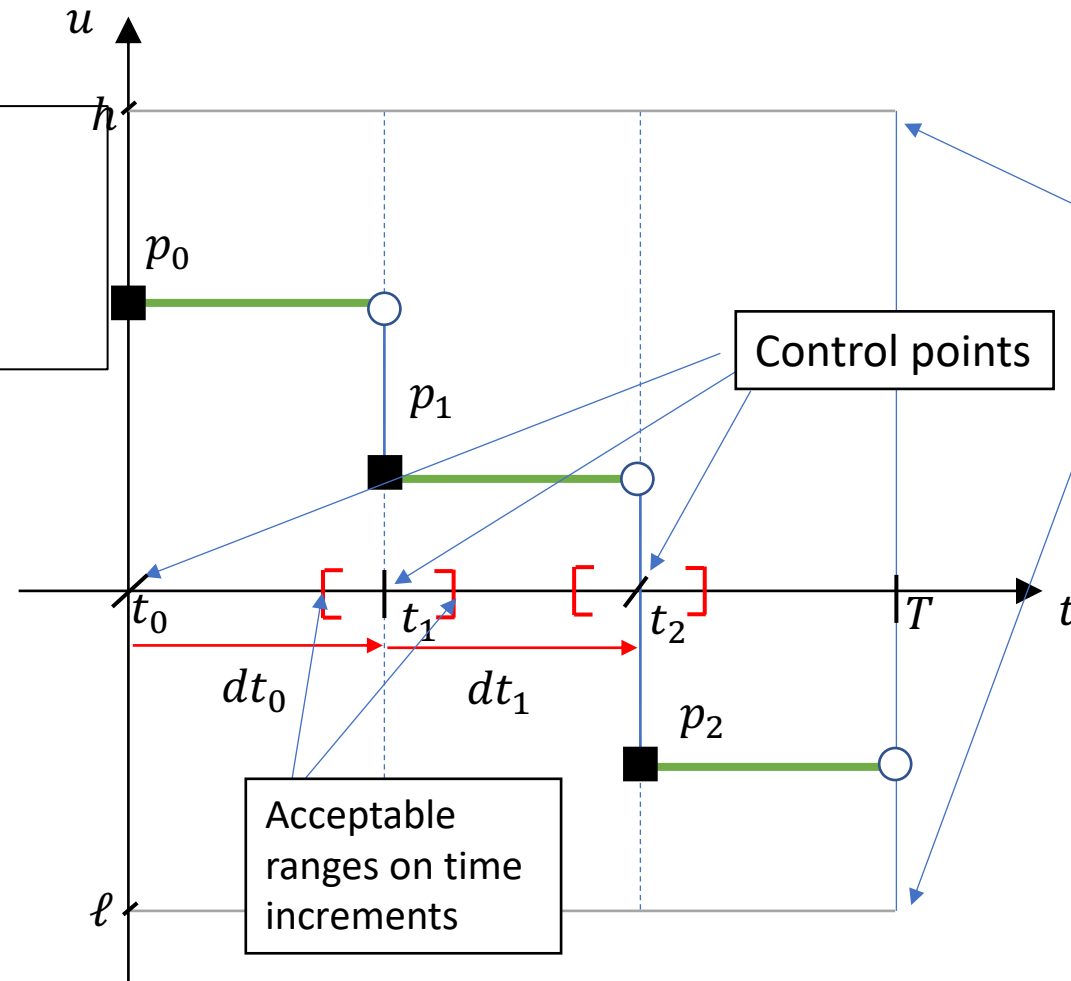
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Acceptable ranges on parameter values

Control points

Acceptable ranges on time increments

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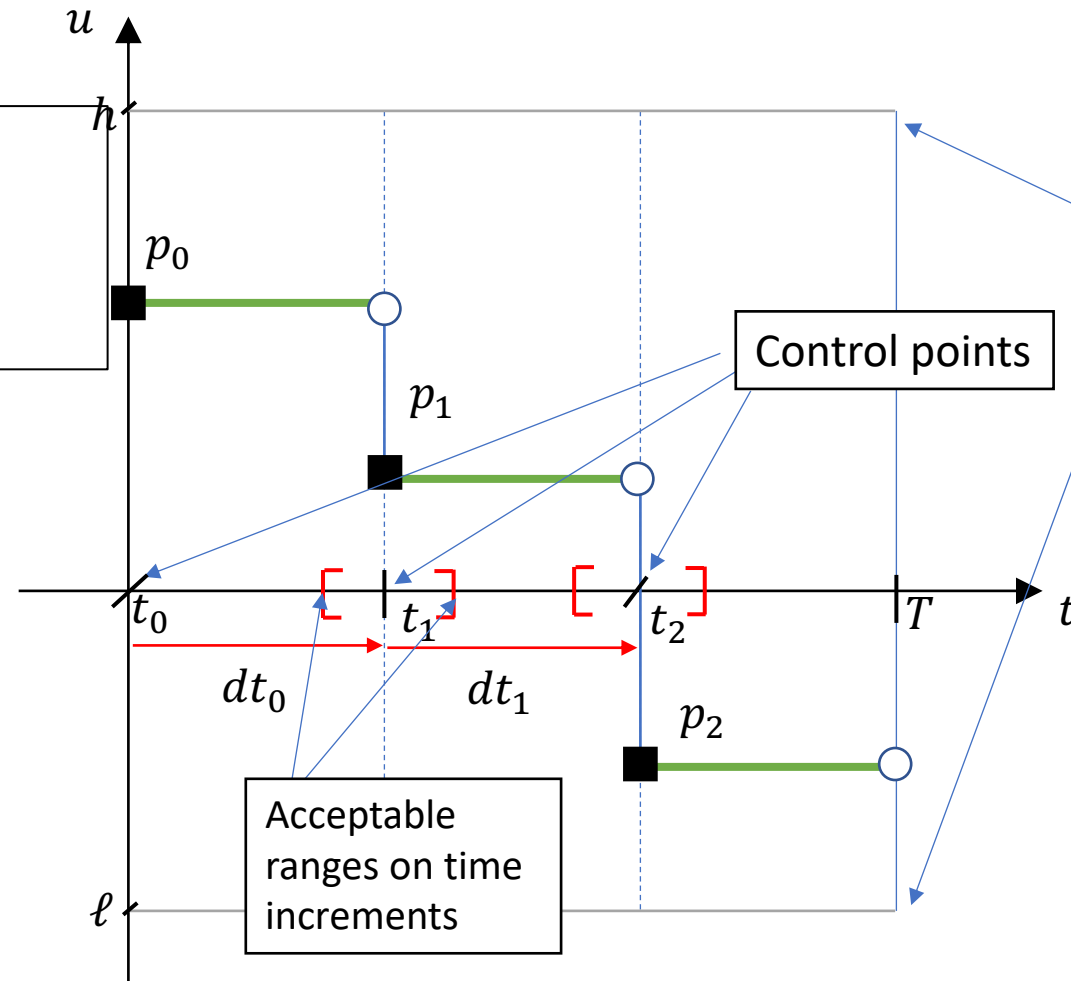
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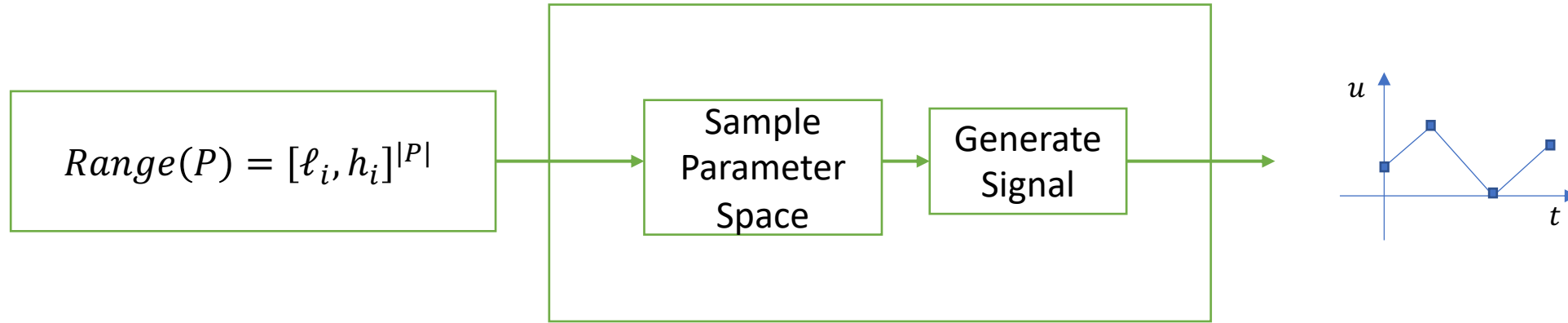
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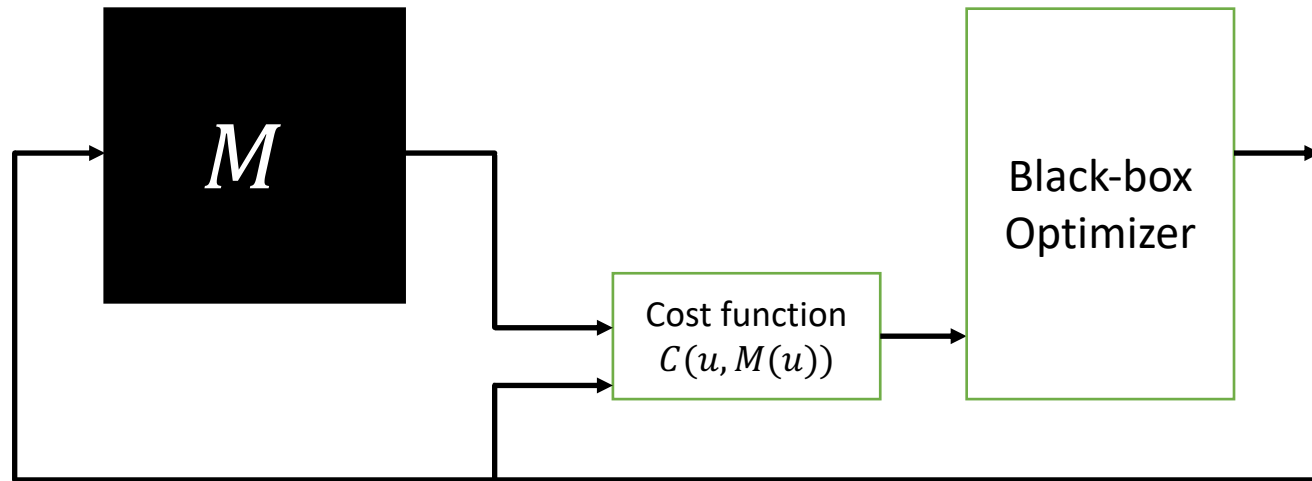
# Signal Generator



## ▶ Signal Generation controlled by the testing algorithm

- ▶ Parameter space could be sampled all at once
- ▶ Parameter space could be sampled in a sequential fashion, e.g. using a method such as Markov Chain Monte Carlo
- ▶ Sampling scheme could be application-specific: uniform random, quasi-random (more evenly spread out), truncated normal, grid-based sampling (points from a fixed grid), etc.

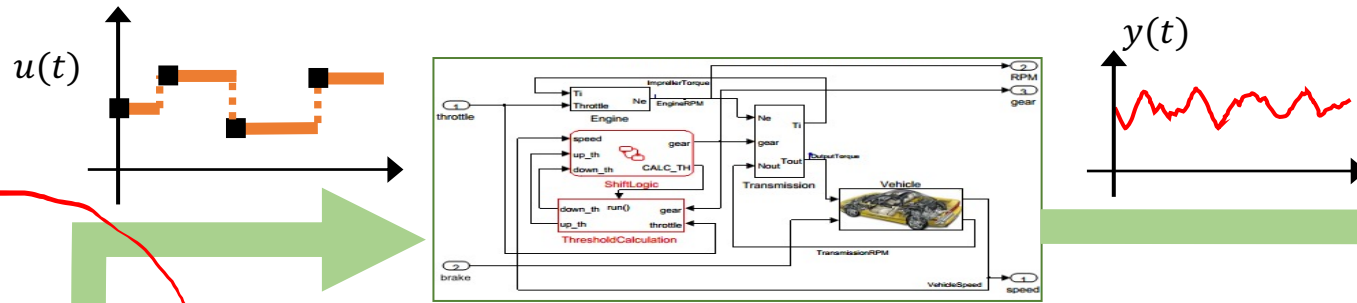
# Black-box Optimization



- ▶ Given:
  - ▶ Function  $M: U \rightarrow Y$  with unknown symbolic representation
  - ▶ Ability to query the value of  $M$  at any given  $u$ ; query will return some  $y$
  - ▶ Cost function  $C: X \times Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- ▶ Objective of black-box optimizer
  - ▶ Let  $x^* = \min_{x \in X} C(x, f(x))$
  - ▶ Find  $\hat{x}$  such that  $\|\hat{x} - x^*\|$  is small
- ▶ Let  $\hat{x}_i$  be the best answer found by optimizer in its  $i^{th}$  iteration
- ▶ Ideally,  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|\hat{x}_i - x^*\| = 0$

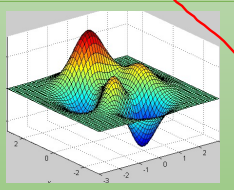


# Falsification using Optimization



Parameter Space

Minimize robustness



Compute Robustness

$\varphi$

$$\rho(y, \varphi) < 0$$

HALT

# Step-by-step of how falsification works

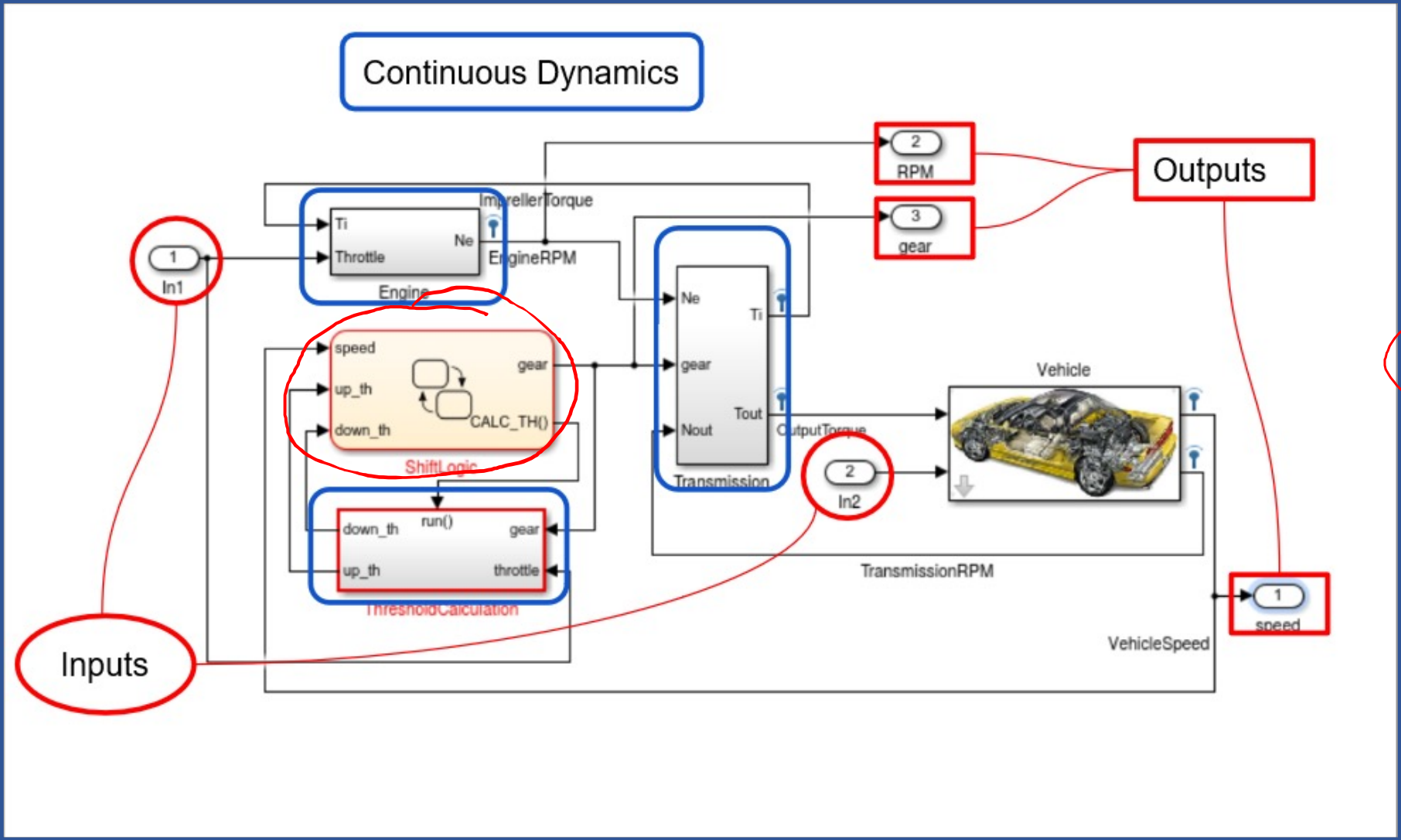
- ▶ Given: a finite parameterization for input signals, a model that can be simulated and an STL property
- ▶ While the number of allowed iterations is not exhausted do:
  - ▶ pick values for the signal parameters
  - ▶ generate an input signal
  - ▶ run simulation with generated input signal to get output signal
  - ▶ compute robustness value of given property w.r.t. the input/output signals
  - ▶ if robustness value is negative, **HALT**
  - ▶ pick a new set of values for the signal parameters based on certain heuristics

# Picking new parameter values to explore

- ▶ Pick random sampling as a (not very good) strategy!
- ▶ Basic method: locally approximate the gradient of the function  $\rho$  locally, and chose the direction of steepest descent (greedy heuristic to take you quickly close to a local optimum)
- ▶ Challenge 1: cost surface may not be convex, thus you could have many local optima
- ▶ Challenge 2: cost surface may be highly nonlinear and even discontinuous, using just gradient-based methods may not work well
- ▶ Heuristics rely on:
  - ▶ combining gradient-based methods with perturbing the search strategy (e.g. simulated annealing, stochastic local search with random restarts)
  - ▶ evolutionary strategies: Covariance Matrix Adaptation Evolution Strategy (CMA-ES), genetic algorithms etc.
  - ▶ probabilistic techniques: Ant Colony Optimization, Cross-Entropy optimization, Bayesian optimization

# Model

Inputs:  
Throttle  
Brake

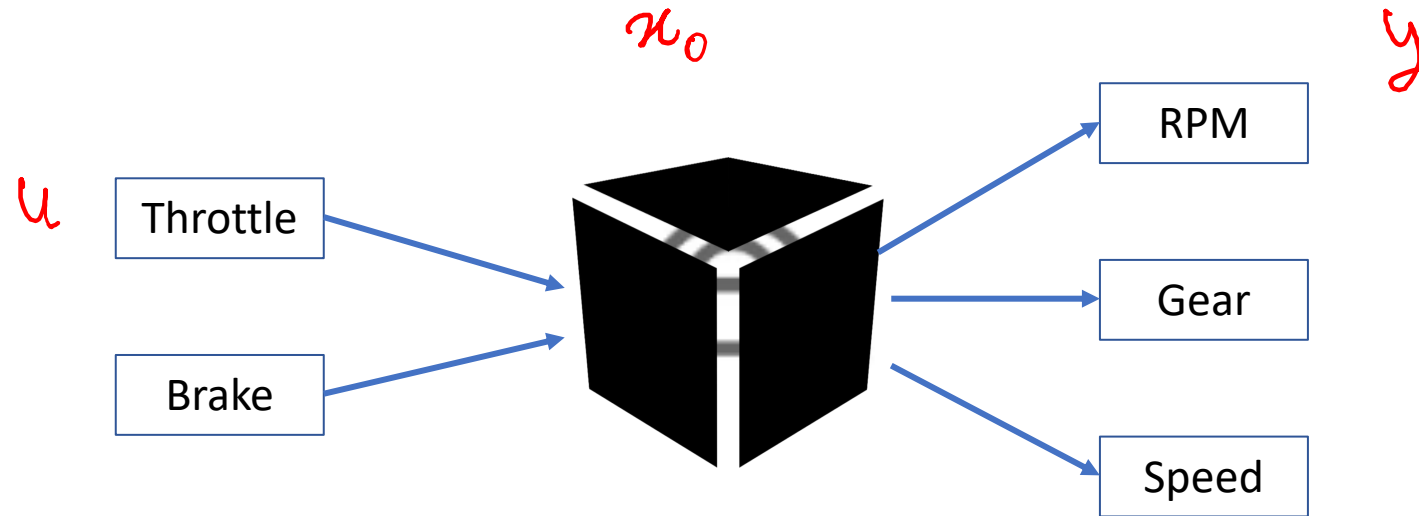


Outputs:  
RPM  
Gear  
Speed

# Model

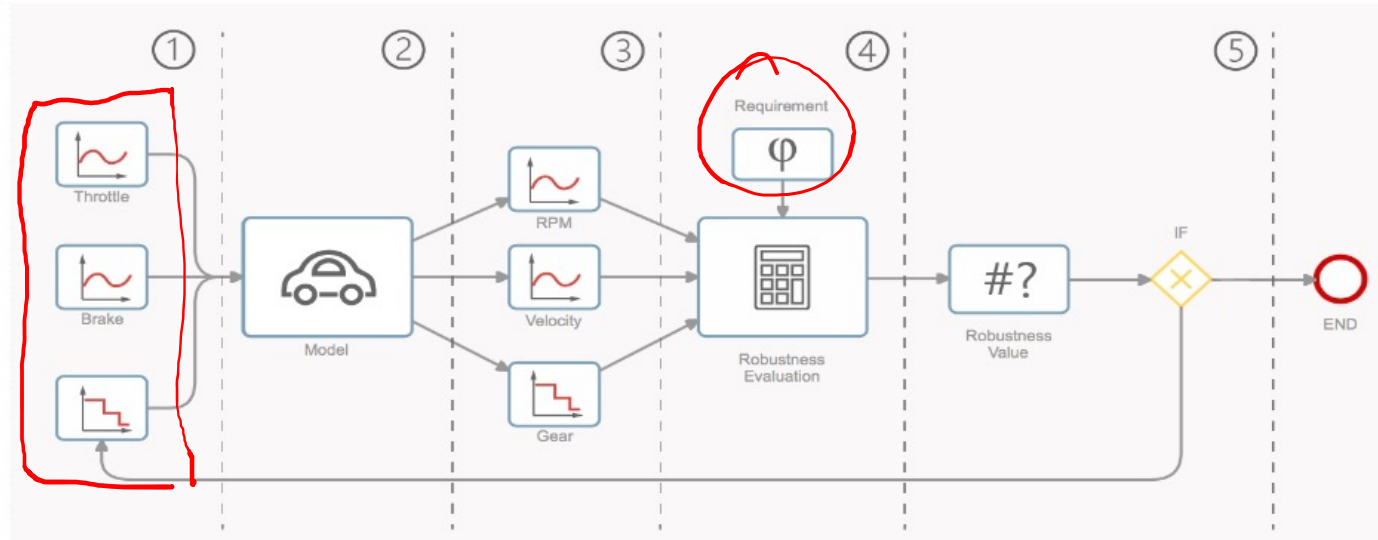


# Black Box Assumption



- Less information
- A more general Approach (interesting for industries)

# Falsification of CPS

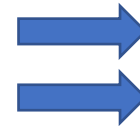


## Goal:

Find the inputs (1) which falsify the requirements (4)

## Problems:

- Falsify with a low number of simulations
- Functional Input Space



Active Learning

Adaptive Parameterization

# Gaussian Processes

## Definition

$$f \sim GP(m, k) \iff (f(t_1), f(t_2), \dots, f(t_n)) \sim N(m, K)$$

where  $m = (m(t_1), m(t_2), \dots, m(t_n))$  is the vector mean

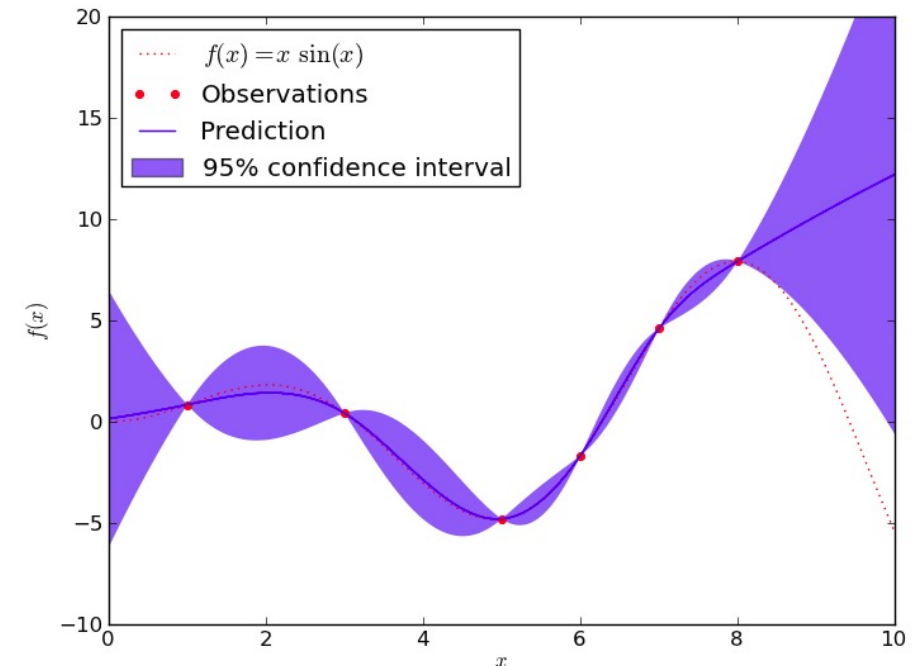
$K \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is the covariance matrix, such that  $K_{ij} = k(f(t_i), f(t_j))$

## Prediction

$$\underbrace{\{f(\theta_1), \dots, f(\theta_n), f(\theta')\}}_{\mathbf{f}} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{m}', K')$$

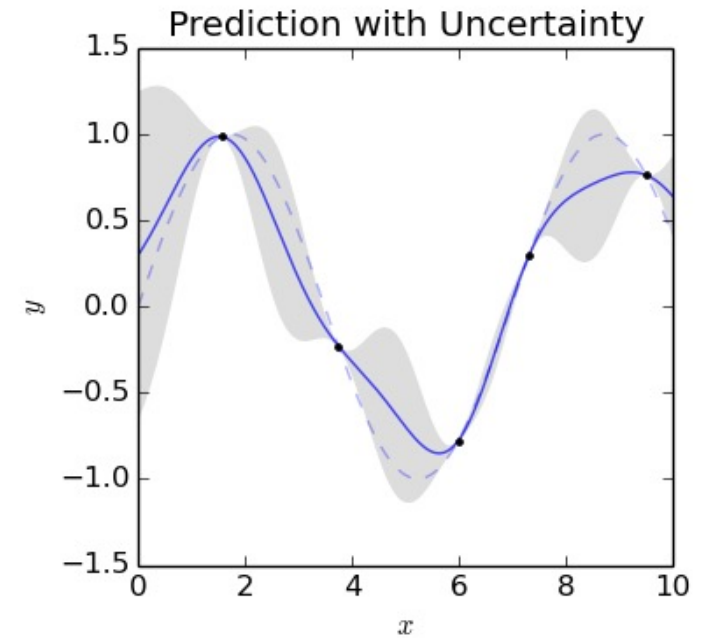
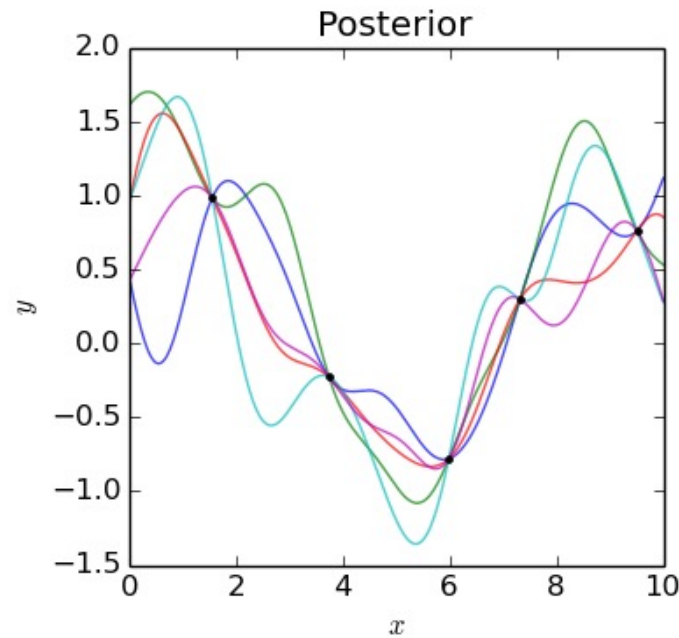
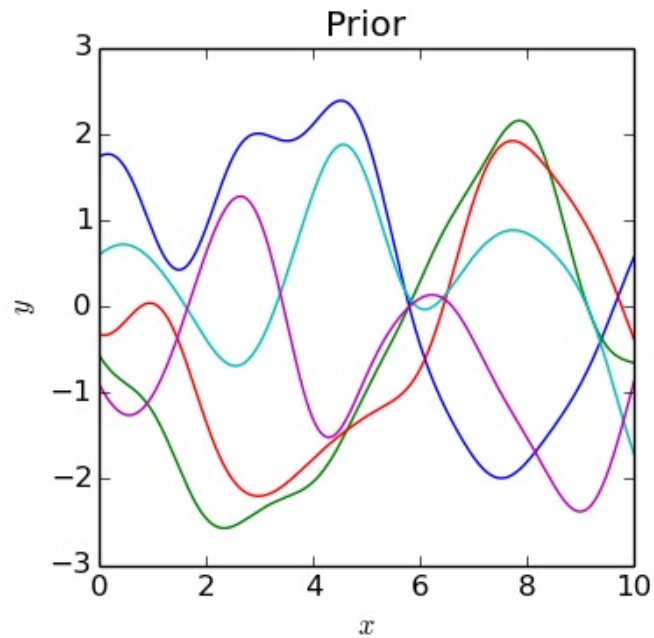
$$\mathbb{E}(f(\theta')) = \underbrace{(k(\theta_1, \theta'), \dots, k(\theta_n, \theta'))}_{\mathbf{k}} \cdot K^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{f}$$

$$\text{var}(f(\theta')) = k(\theta', \theta') - \mathbf{k} \cdot K^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{k}^T$$





# Gaussian Processes



$$(f(\theta_1), \dots, f(\theta_n)) \xrightarrow{\text{GP}} \tilde{f}$$

Training set

- Mean
- Variance
- $p(\tilde{f} \in I)$

# Domain Estimation Problem

Finding the trajectories which falsify the requirements, finding  $\mathbf{u} \in B$

$$B = \{\mathbf{u} \in U \mid \rho(\phi, \mathbf{u}, 0) < 0\} \subseteq U$$

- **Training Set:**  $K = \{\mathbf{u}_i, \rho(\phi, \mathbf{u}_i, 0)\}_{i \leq n}$  (the partial knowledge after n iterations)
- **Gaussian Process:**  $\rho_K(\mathbf{u}) \sim GP(m_K(\mathbf{u}), \sigma_K(\mathbf{u}))$  (the partial model)

$$P(\rho_K(\mathbf{u}) < 0) = CDF\left(\frac{0 - m_K(\mathbf{u})}{\sigma_K(\mathbf{u})}\right)$$

Idea: implementing an iterative sample strategy in order to increase the probability to sample a point in B, as the number of iterations increases.

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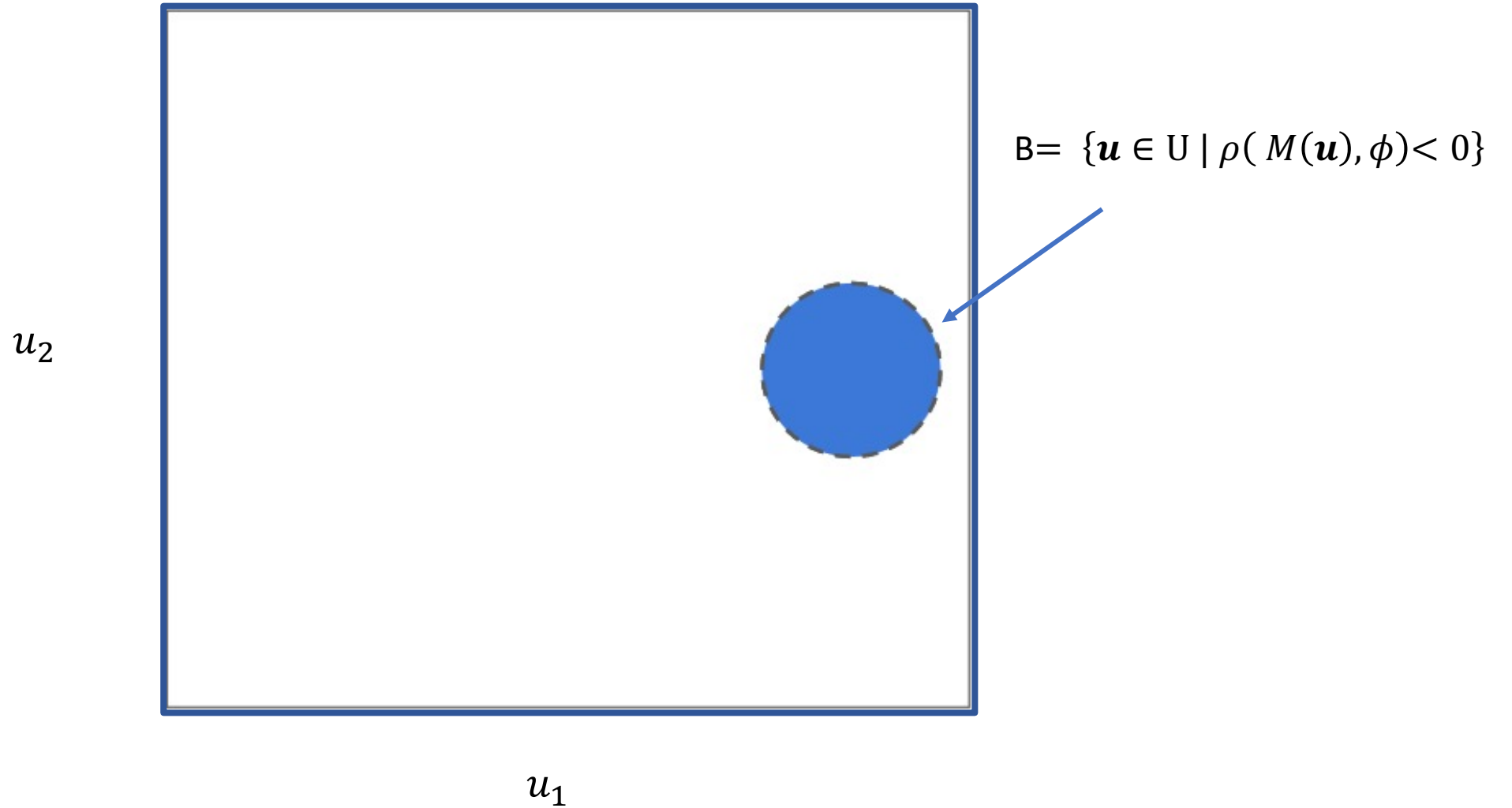
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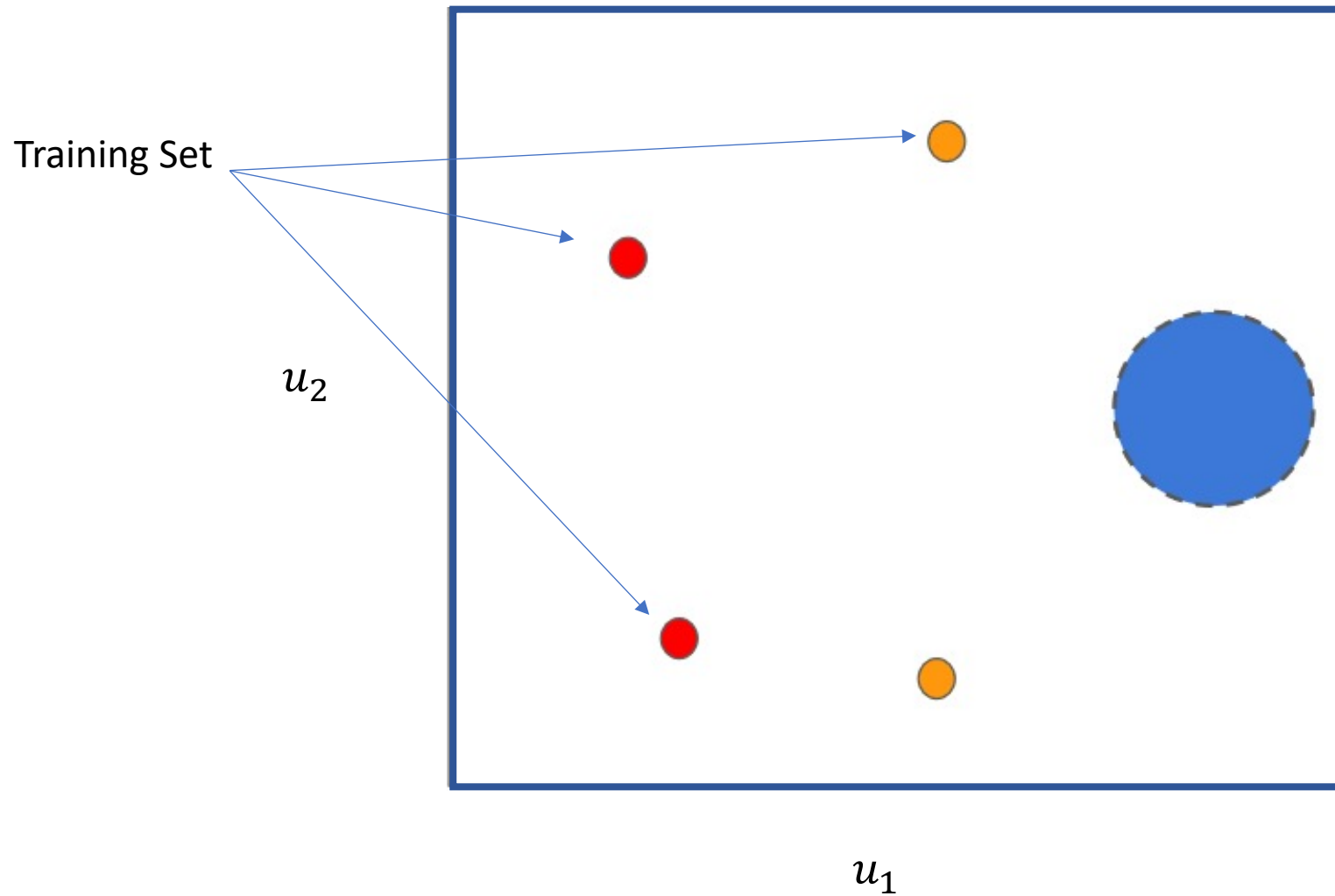
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1: procedure  $[B, d] = \text{DOMAINESTIMATION}(maxIter, ce, m, f, I)$ 
2:    $i \leftarrow 0, B \leftarrow \emptyset, d \leftarrow +\infty$ 
3:    $\text{INITIALIZE}(K(f))$ 
4:   while (  $|B| \leq ce$  and  $i \leq maxIter$ ) do
5:      $f_{K(f)} \sim \text{TRAINGAUSSIANPROCESS}(K(f))$ 
6:      $D_{grid} \leftarrow \text{LHS}(m)$ 
7:      $x_{new} \leftarrow \text{SAMPLE}\{(x, P(x \in \mathcal{B})), x \in D_{grid}\}$ 
8:      $f_{new} \leftarrow f(x_{new})$ 
9:      $d \leftarrow \min(d, \text{DISTANCE}(f_{new}, I))$ 
10:     $K(f) \leftarrow K(f) \cup \{(x_{new}, f_{new})\}$ 
11:    if  $f_{new} \in I$  then
12:       $B = B \cup \{x_{new}\}$ 
13:    end if
14:     $i \leftarrow i + 1$ 
15:  end while
16: end procedure
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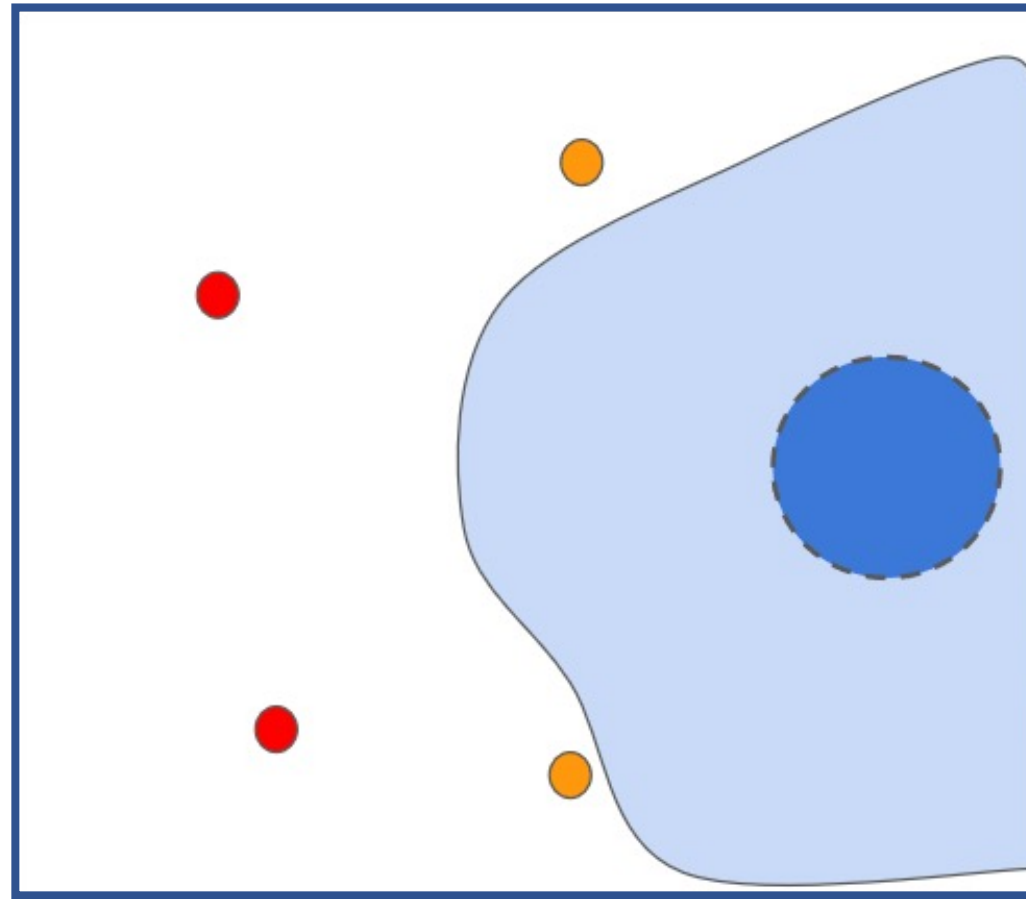
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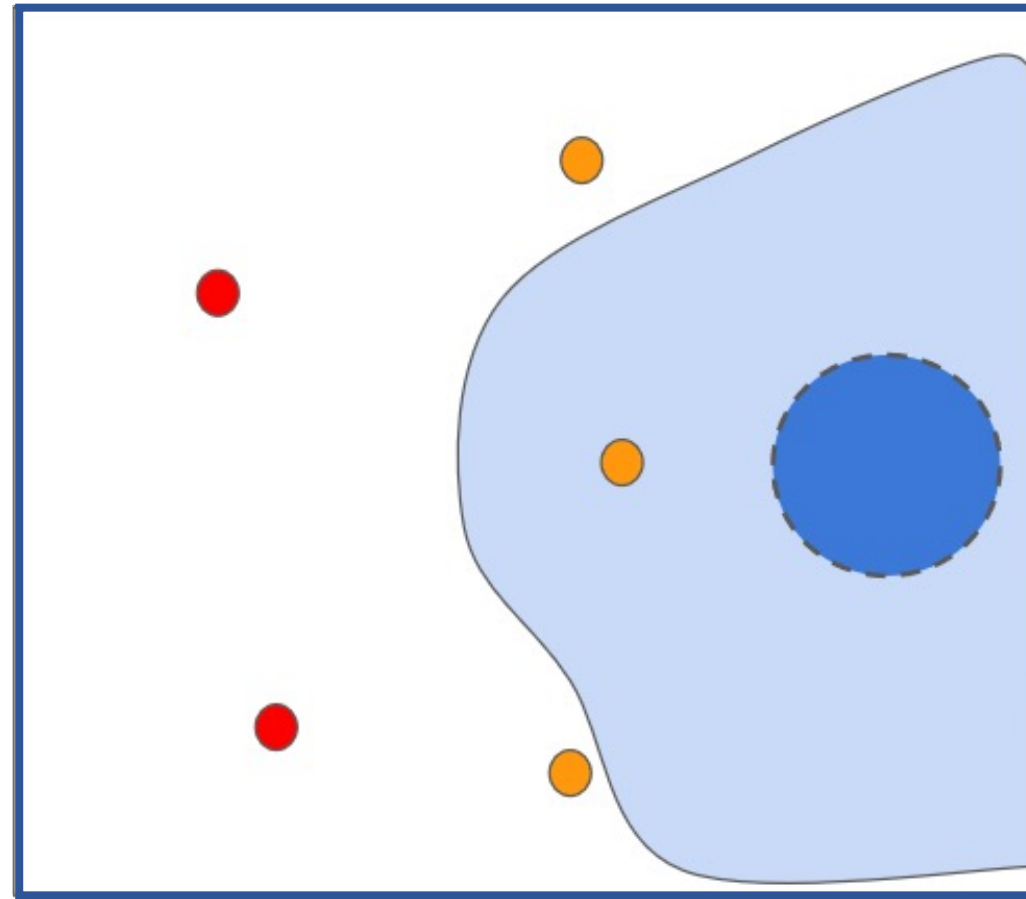
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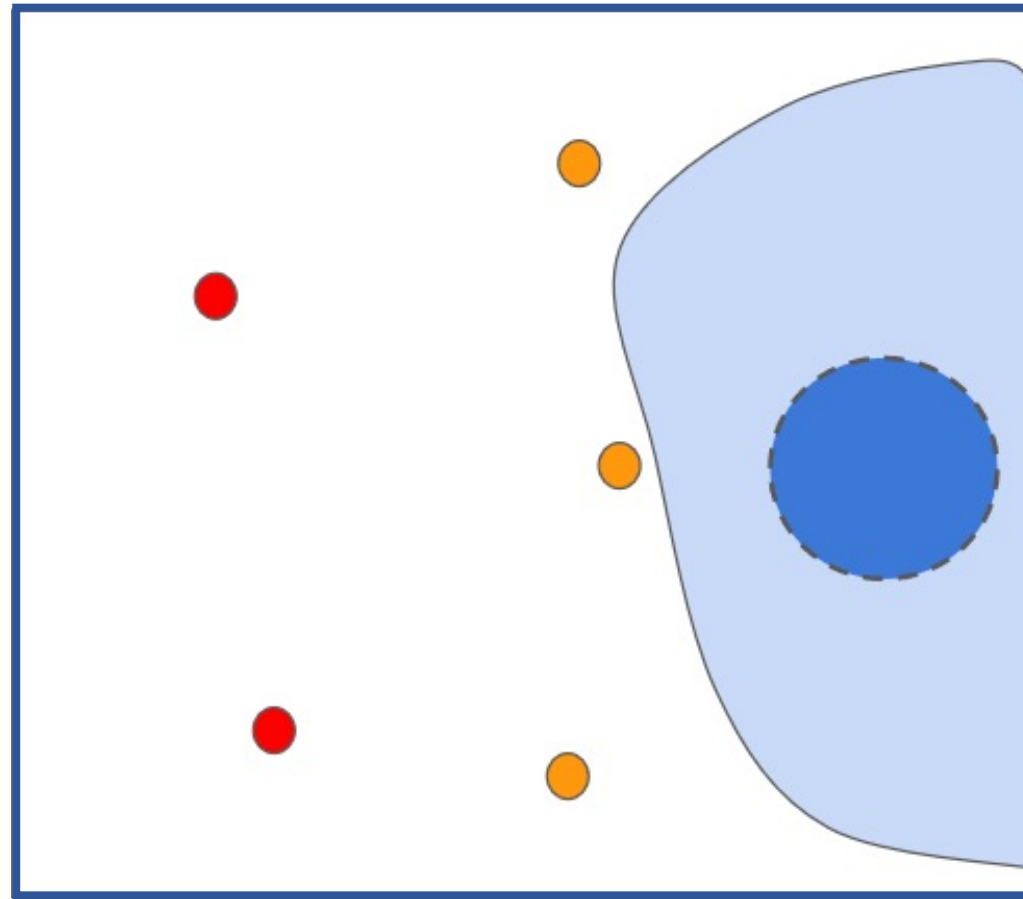
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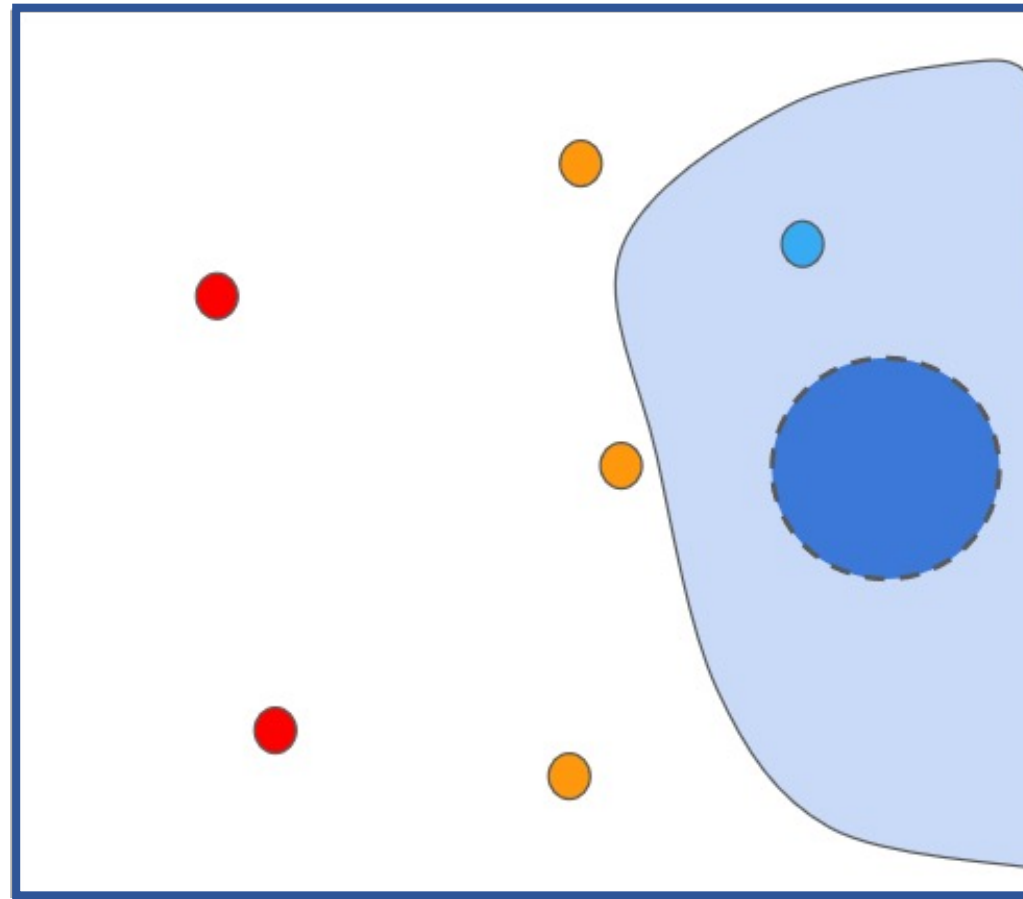
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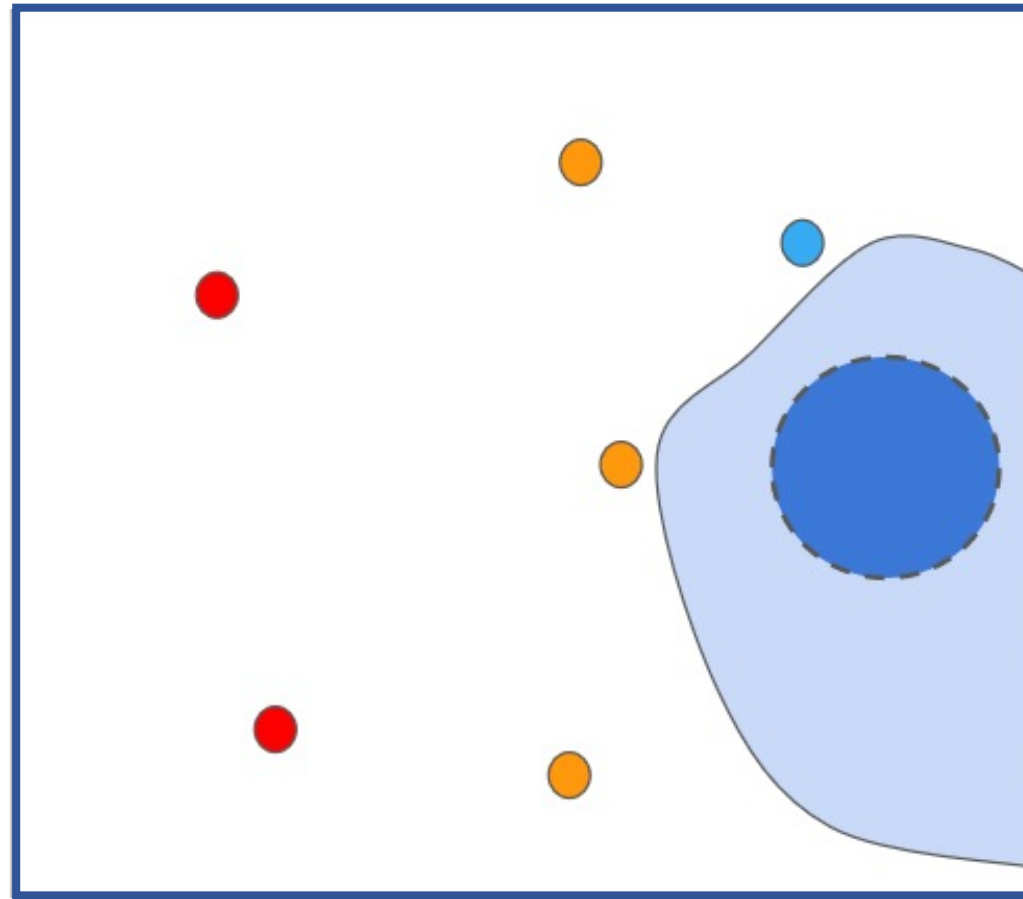
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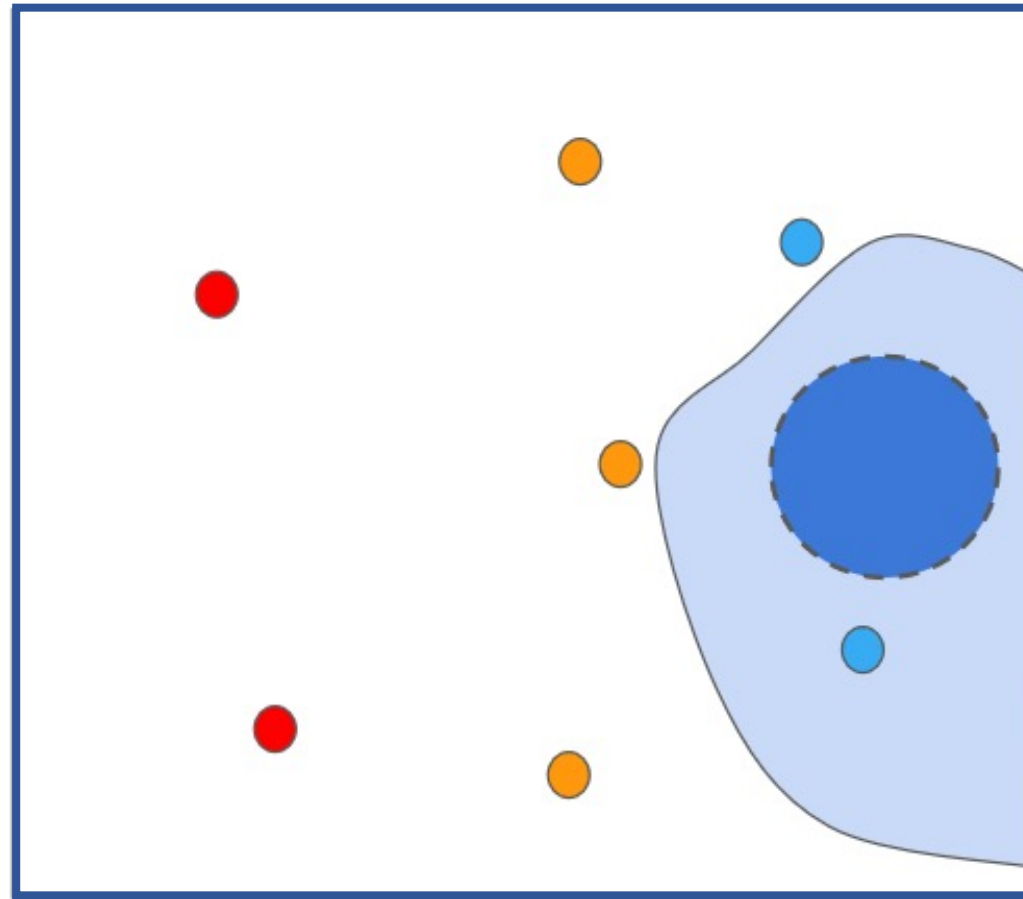
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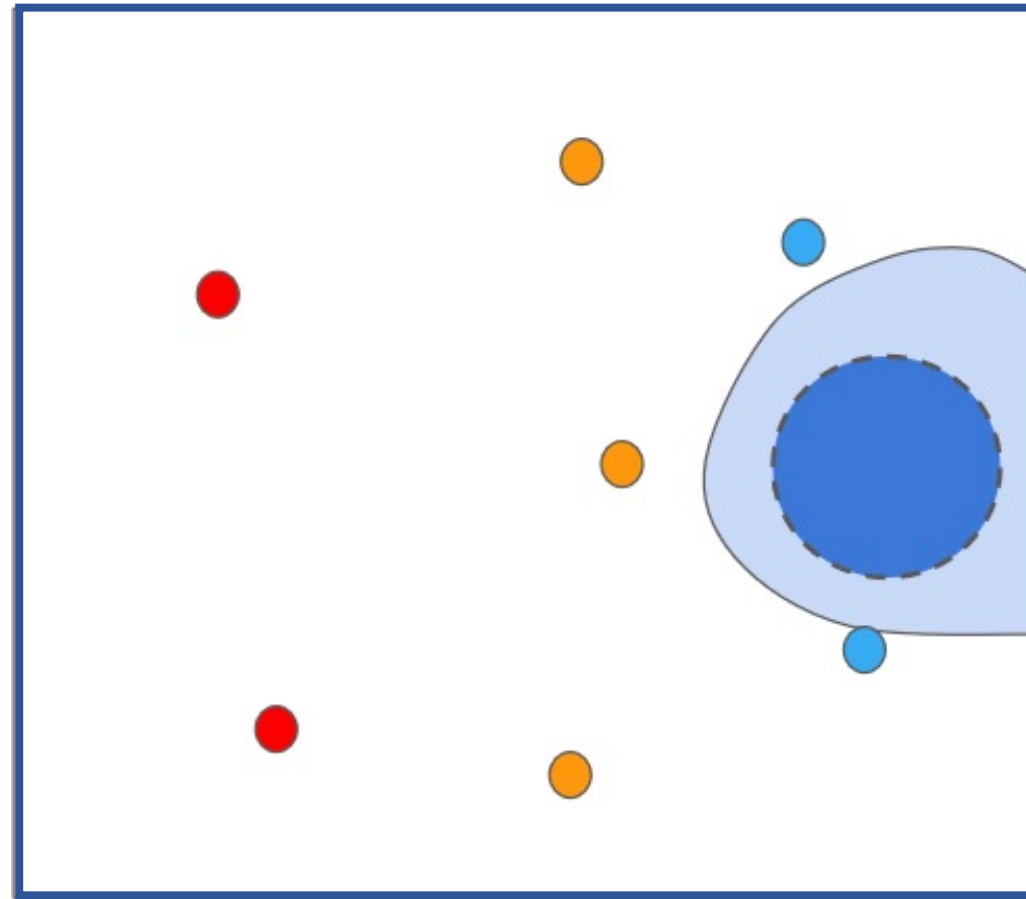
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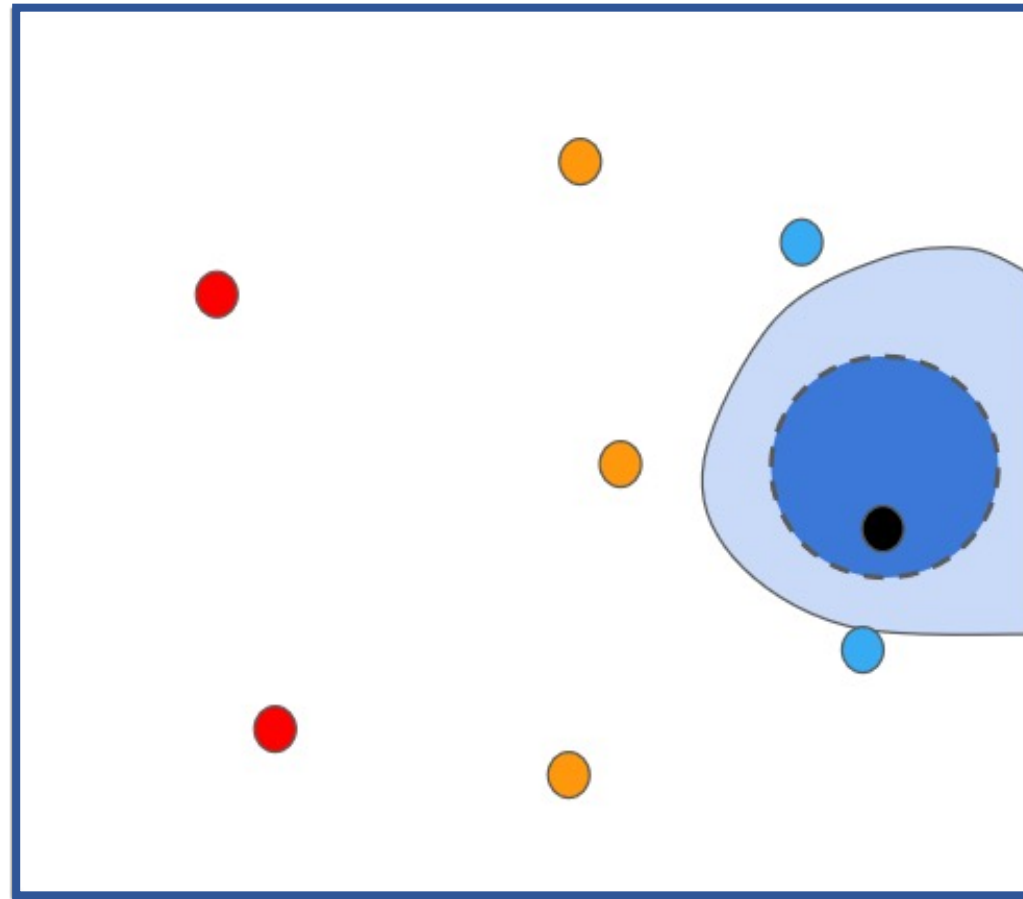
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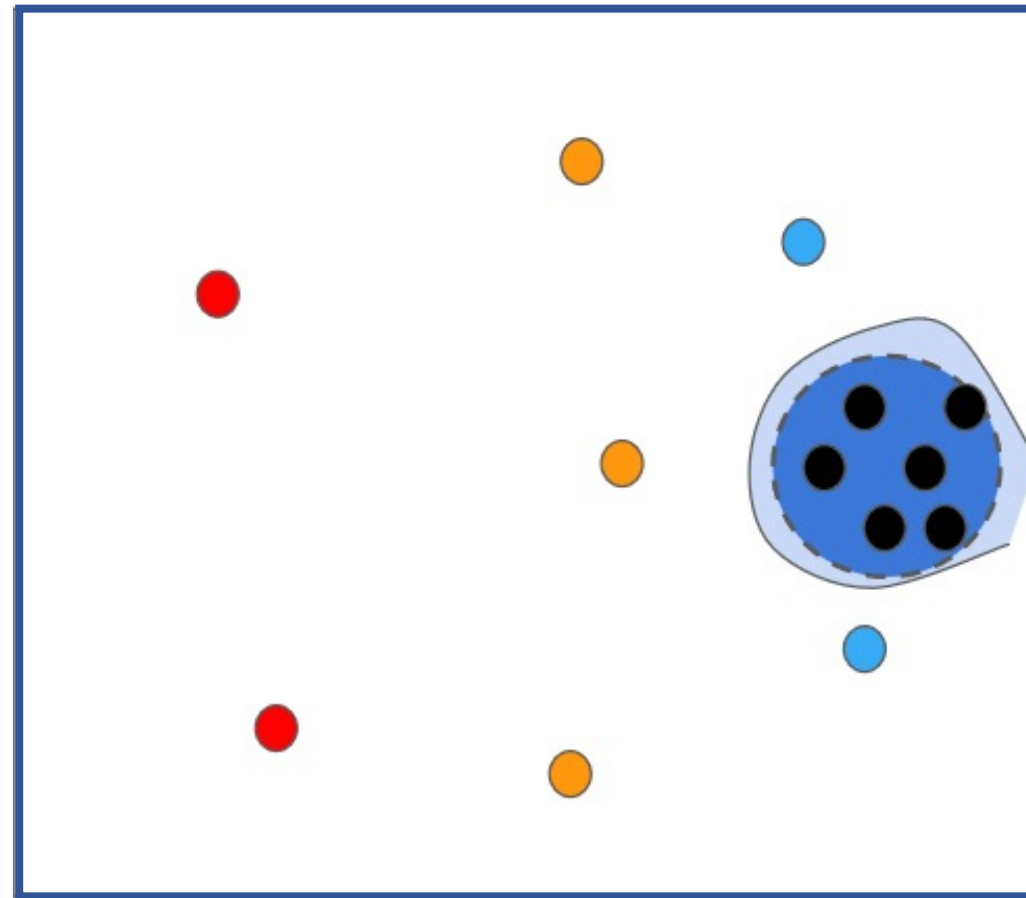
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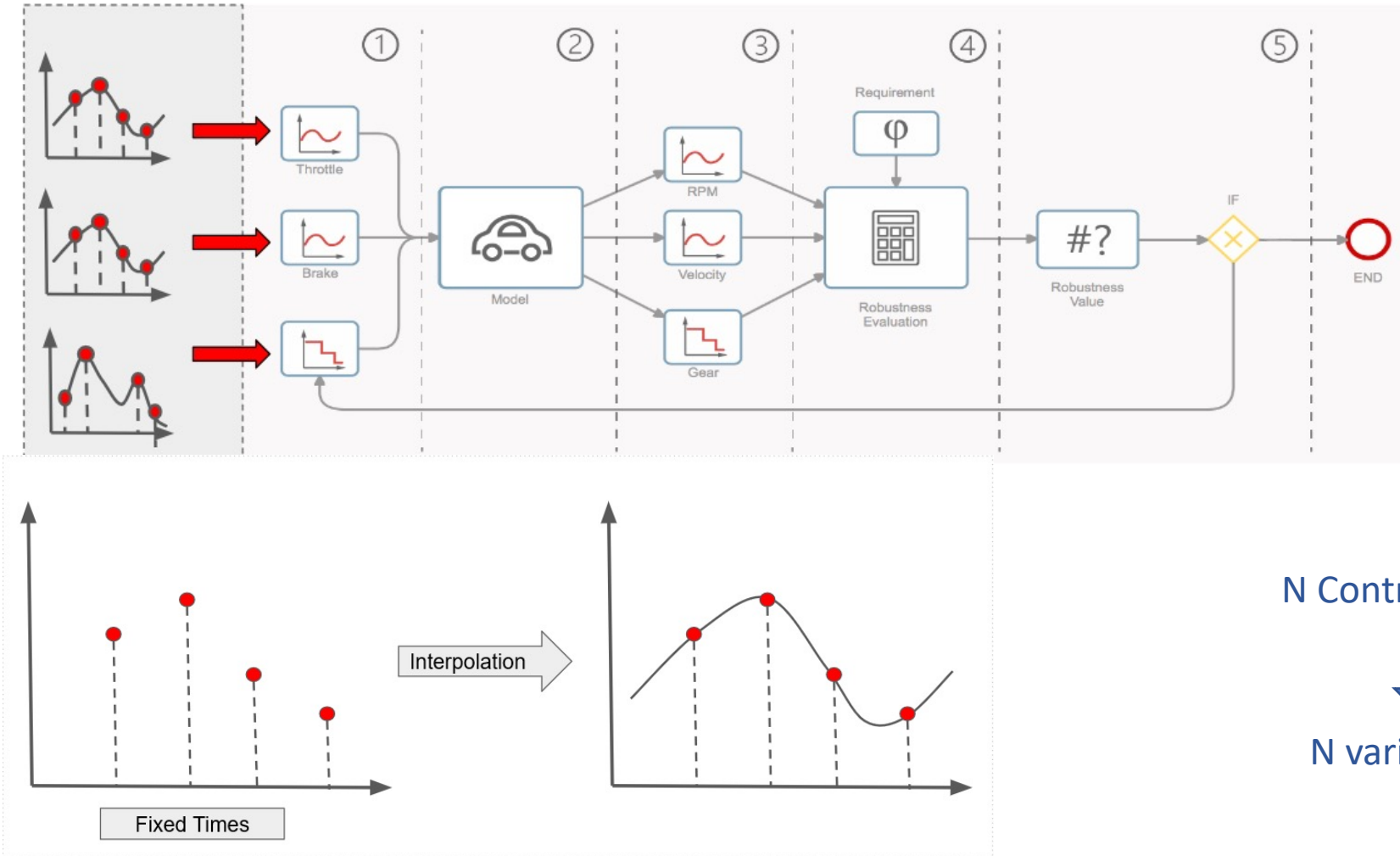
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We call  $B$  the counterexample set and its elements counterexamples

If  $B$  is empty then  $\rho(\phi, \mathbf{u}, 0) \geq 0$

Solving the domain estimation problem could be extremely difficult because of the infinite dimensionality of the input space, which is a space of functions

# Finite Parameterization



N Control points



N variable



# Domain Estimation Problem

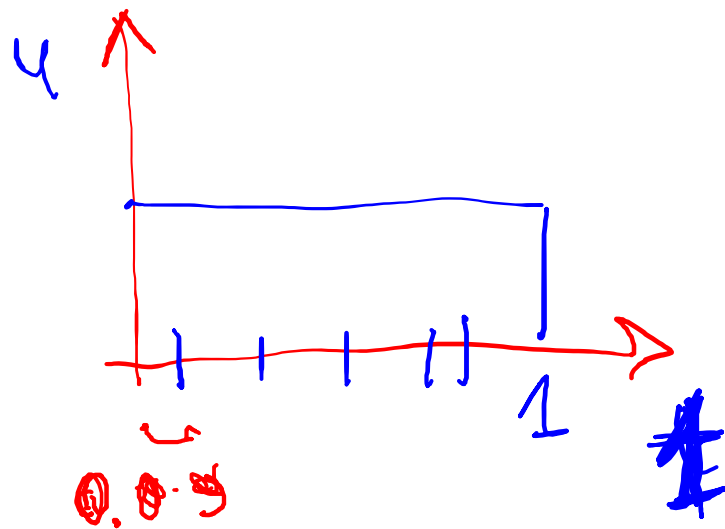
Finding the trajectories which falsify the requirements, finding  $\hat{c} \in \hat{B}$

$$\hat{B} = \{ \hat{c} \in U_{n_1} \times \cdots \times U_{n_{|U|}} \mid \rho(\phi, P_n(\hat{c}), 0) < 0 \}$$

Where  $c_k = \{(t_1^k, u_{n_k}^k), \dots, (t_{n_k}^k, u_{k_n}^k)\}$  and  $P_n = (P_{n_1}, \dots, P_{n_{|U|}})$

Piecewise linear or polynomial functions are known to be dense in the space of continuous functions!

Then, B has at least one element  $\iff \exists n \in \omega^{|U|}$ ,  $\hat{B}$  has at least one element.

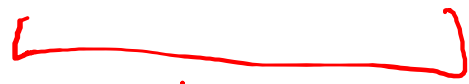


0.1     $y=0.5$

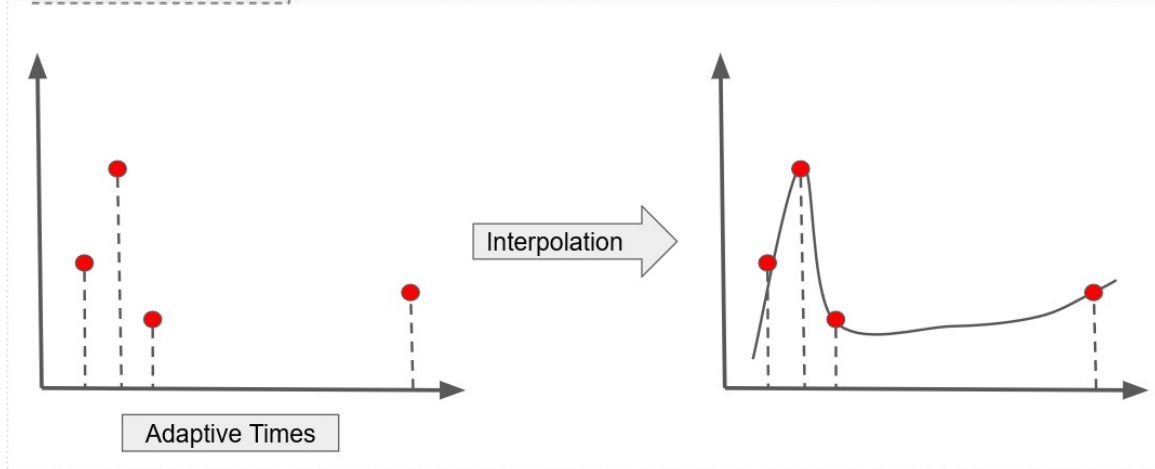
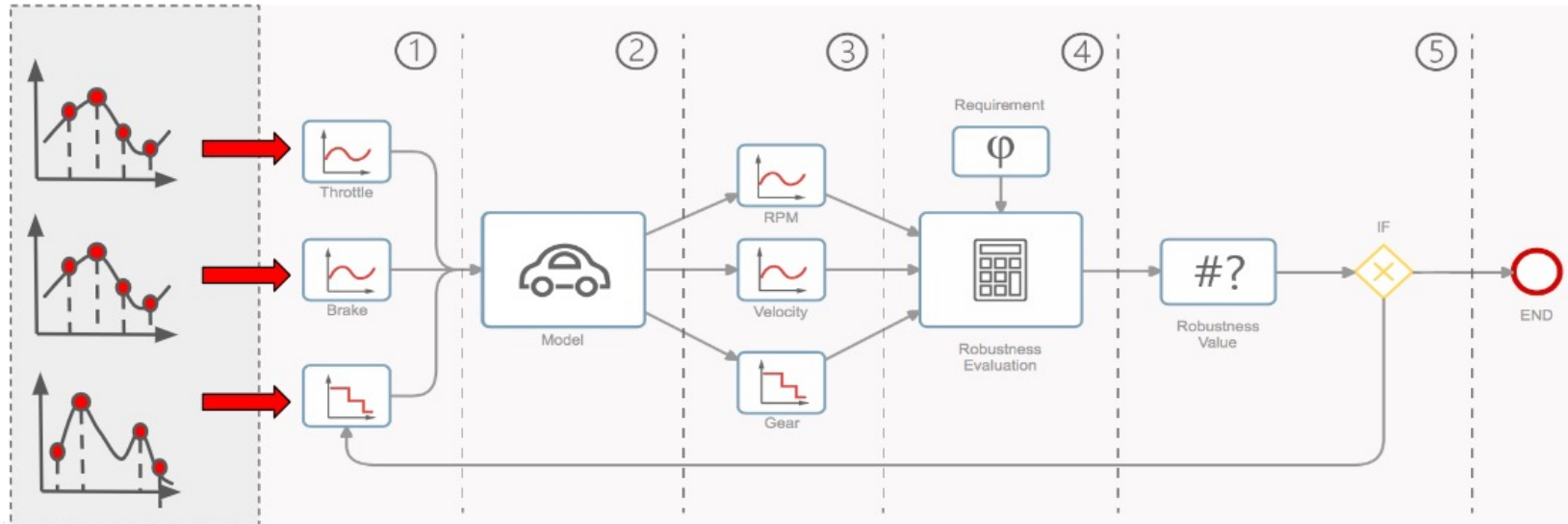
$$y: [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$$

$$t \mapsto k$$

$$P = P \left( G_{[0,0.5]}(x < 0.2) \wedge G_{[0.5,1]}(x > 0.8) \right)$$



# Adaptive Parameterization



N Control points



2N variable

# Adaptive Parameterization

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## Algorithm 2

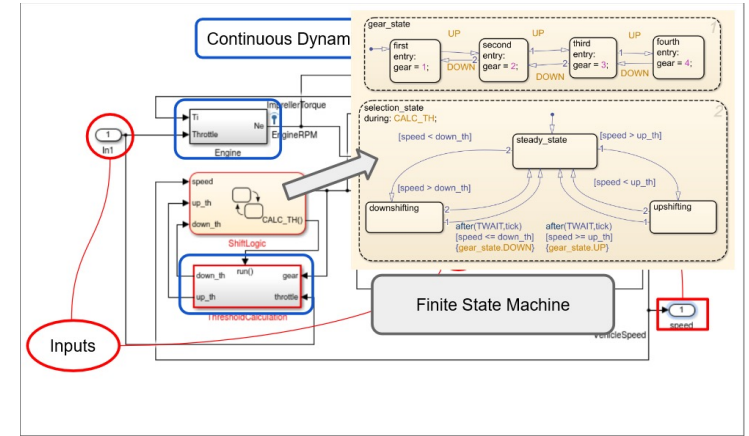
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1: **procedure**  $[B, d] = \text{ADAPTIVEGPFALSIFICATION}(mgi, mii, ce, m, \phi)$   
2:      $\mathbf{n}_0 \leftarrow (0, \dots, 0)$   
3:      $B \leftarrow \emptyset, k_0 \leftarrow 0, i \leftarrow 0, d_0 \leftarrow +\infty$   
4:     **while**  $(|B| \leq ce \text{ and } i \leq mgi)$  **do**  
5:          $[B^-, d_{i+1}] = \text{DOMAINESTIMATION}(mii, \mathbf{n}_i, ce - |B|, m, \rho(\phi, \cdot, t), (-\infty, 0))$   
6:         **if**  $d_{i+1} > d_i$  **then**  
7:              $k_{i+1} \leftarrow k_i$   
8:         **else**  
9:              $k_{i+1} \leftarrow (k_i + 1) \bmod n$   
10:         **end if**  
11:          $\mathbf{n}_{i+1} \leftarrow \mathbf{n}_i + \mathbf{e}_{k_{i+1}}$   
12:          $i \leftarrow i + 1$   
13:          $B \leftarrow B \cup B^-$   
14:     **end while**  
15: **end procedure**

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# Tests Case & Results

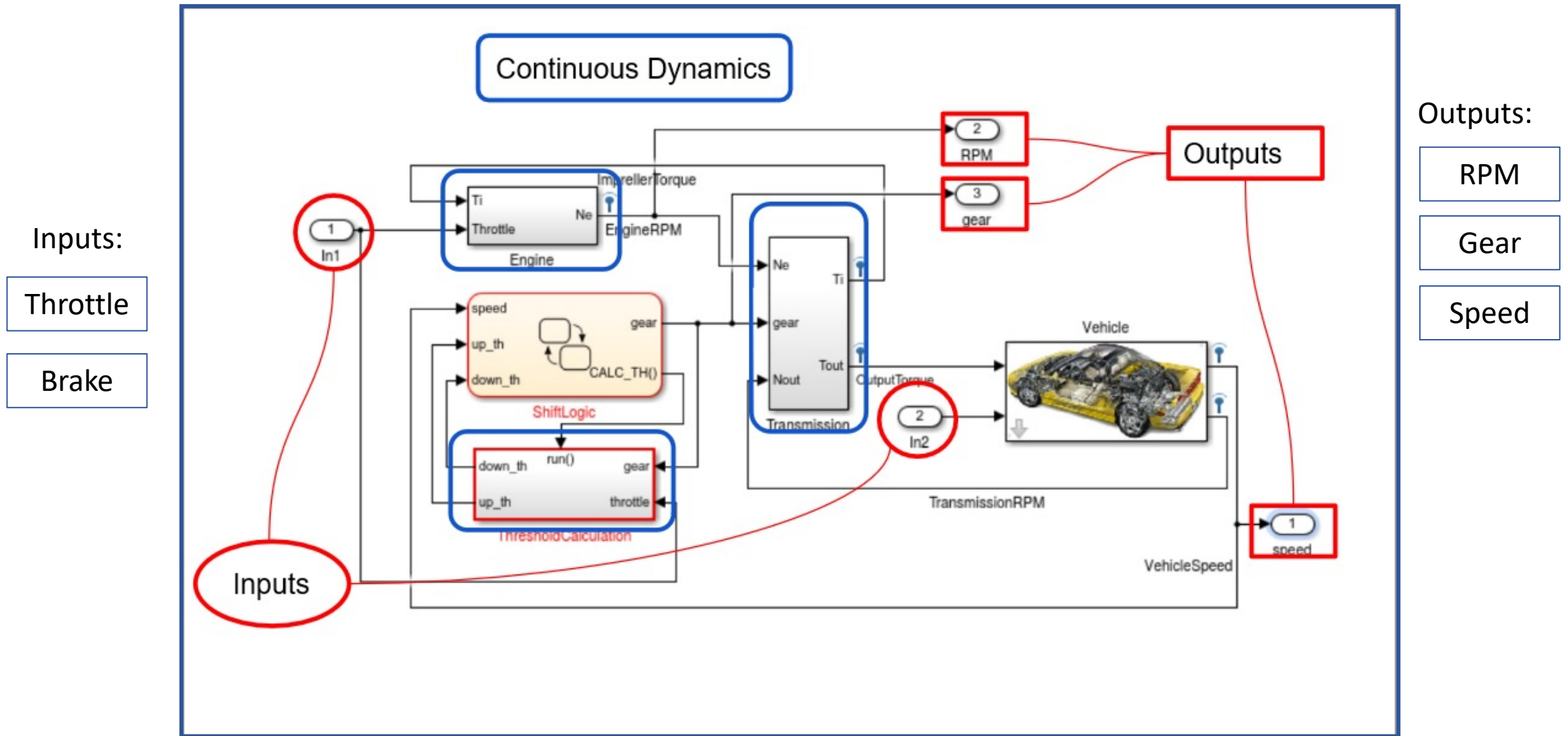
- $\phi_1(\bar{v}, \bar{\omega}) = \mathbf{G}_{[0,30]}(v \leq \bar{v} \wedge \omega \leq \bar{\omega})$  (in the next 30 seconds the engine and vehicle speed never reach  $\bar{\omega}$  rpm and  $\bar{v}$  km/h, respectively)
- $\phi_2(\bar{v}, \bar{\omega}) = \mathbf{G}_{[0,30]}(\omega \leq \bar{\omega}) \rightarrow \mathbf{G}_{[0,10]}(v \leq \bar{v})$  (if the engine speed is always less than  $\bar{\omega}$  rpm, then the vehicle speed can not exceed  $\bar{v}$  km/h in less than 10 sec)
- $\phi_3(\bar{v}, \bar{\omega}) = \mathbf{F}_{[0,10]}(v \geq \bar{v}) \rightarrow \mathbf{G}_{[0,30]}(\omega \leq \bar{\omega})$  (the vehicle speed is above  $\bar{v}$  km/h than from that point on the engine speed is always less than  $\bar{\omega}$  rpm)



Req	Adaptive DEA		Adaptive GP-UCB		S-TaLiRo		Alg
	nval	times	nval	times	nval	times	
$\phi_1$	4.42 ± 0.53	2.16 ± 0.61	4.16 ± 2.40	0.55 ± 0.30	5.16 ± 4.32	0.57 ± 0.48	UR
$\phi_1$	6.90 ± 2.22	5.78 ± 3.88	8.7 ± 1.78	1.52 ± 0.40	39.64 ± 44.49	4.46 ± 4.99	SA
$\phi_2$	3.24 ± 1.98	1.57 ± 1.91	7.94 ± 3.90	1.55 ± 1.23	12.78 ± 11.27	1.46 ± 1.28	CE
$\phi_2$	10.14 ± 2.95	12.39 ± 6.96	23.9 ± 7.39	9.86 ± 4.54	59 ± 42	6.83 ± 4.93	SA
$\phi_2$	8.52 ± 2.90	9.13 ± 5.90	13.6 ± 3.48	4.12 ± 1.67	43.1 ± 39.23	4.89 ± 4.43	SA
$\phi_3$	5.02 ± 0.97	2.91 ± 1.20	5.44 ± 3.14	0.91 ± 0.67	10.04 ± 7.30	1.15 ± 0.84	CE
$\phi_3$	7.70 ± 2.36	7.07 ± 3.87	10.52 ± 1.76	2.43 ± 0.92	11 ± 9.10	1.25 ± 1.03	UR

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1      (atomicExpression)
2      | ! Formula
3      | Formula & Formula
4      | Formula | Formula
5      | Formula => Formula
6      | Formula until [a b] Formula
7      | Formula since [a b] Formula
8      | eventually [a b] Formula
9      | globally [a b] Formula
10     | once [a b] Formula
11     | historically [a b] Formula
12     | escape(distanceExpression)[a b] Formula
13     | Formula reach (distanceExpression)[a b] Formula
14     | somewhere(distanceExpression) [a b] Formula
15     | everywhere (distanceExpression) [a b] Formula
16     | {Formula}
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# Model





Specification	Natural Language
Safety ( $\Box_{[0,\theta]}\phi$ )	$\phi$ should always hold from time 0 to $\theta$ .
Liveness ( $\Diamond_{[0,\theta]}\phi$ )	$\phi$ should hold at some point from 0 to $\theta$ (or now).
Coverage ( $\Diamond\phi_1 \wedge \Diamond\phi_2 \dots \wedge \Diamond\phi_n$ )	$\phi_1$ through $\phi_n$ should hold at some point in the future (or now), not necessarily in order or at the same time.
Stabilization ( $\Diamond\Box\phi$ )	At some point in the future (or now), $\phi$ should always hold.
Recurrence ( $\Box\Diamond\phi$ )	At every point in time, $\phi$ should hold at some point in the future (or now).
Reactive Response ( $\Box(\phi \rightarrow \psi)$ )	At every point in time, if $\phi$ holds then $\psi$ should hold.



<b>Automatic Transmission</b>		
	<b>Natural Language</b>	<b>MTL</b>
$\phi_1^{AT}$	The engine speed never reaches $\bar{\omega}$ .	$\Box(\omega < \bar{\omega})$
$\phi_2^{AT}$	The engine and the vehicle speed never reach $\bar{\omega}$ and $\bar{v}$ , resp.	$\Box((\omega < \bar{\omega}) \wedge (v < \bar{v}))$
$\phi_3^{AT}$	There should be no transition from gear two to gear one and back to gear two in less than 2.5 sec.	$\Box((g_2 \wedge Xg_1) \rightarrow \Box_{(0,2.5]}\neg g_2)$
$\phi_4^{AT}$	After shifting into gear one, there should be no shift from gear one to any other gear within 2.5 sec.	$\Box((\neg g_1 \wedge Xg_1) \rightarrow \Box_{(0,2.5]}g_1)$
$\phi_5^{AT}$	When shifting into any gear, there should be no shift from that gear to any other gear within 2.5sec.	$\bigwedge_{i=1}^4 \Box((\neg g_i \wedge Xg_i) \rightarrow \Box_{(0,2.5]}g_i)$
$\phi_6^{AT}$	If engine speed is always less than $\bar{\omega}$ , then vehicle speed can not exceed $\bar{v}$ in less than $T$ sec.	$\neg(\Diamond_{[0,T]}(v > \bar{v}) \wedge \Box(\omega < \bar{\omega}))$
$\phi_7^{AT}$	Within $T$ sec the vehicle speed is above $\bar{v}$ and from that point on the engine speed is always less than $\bar{\omega}$ .	$\Diamond_{[0,T]}((v \geq \bar{v}) \wedge \Box(\omega < \bar{\omega}))$
$\phi_8^{AT}$	A gear increase from first to fourth in under 10secs, ending in an RPM above $\bar{\omega}$ within 2 seconds of that, should result in a vehicle speed above $\bar{v}$ .	$((g_1 \mathcal{U} g_2 \mathcal{U} g_3 \mathcal{U} g_4) \wedge \Diamond_{[0,10]}(g_4 \wedge \Diamond_{[0,2]}(\omega \geq \bar{\omega}))) \rightarrow \Diamond_{[0,10]}(g_4 \rightarrow X(g_4 \mathcal{U}_{[0,1]}(v \geq \bar{v})))$

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