

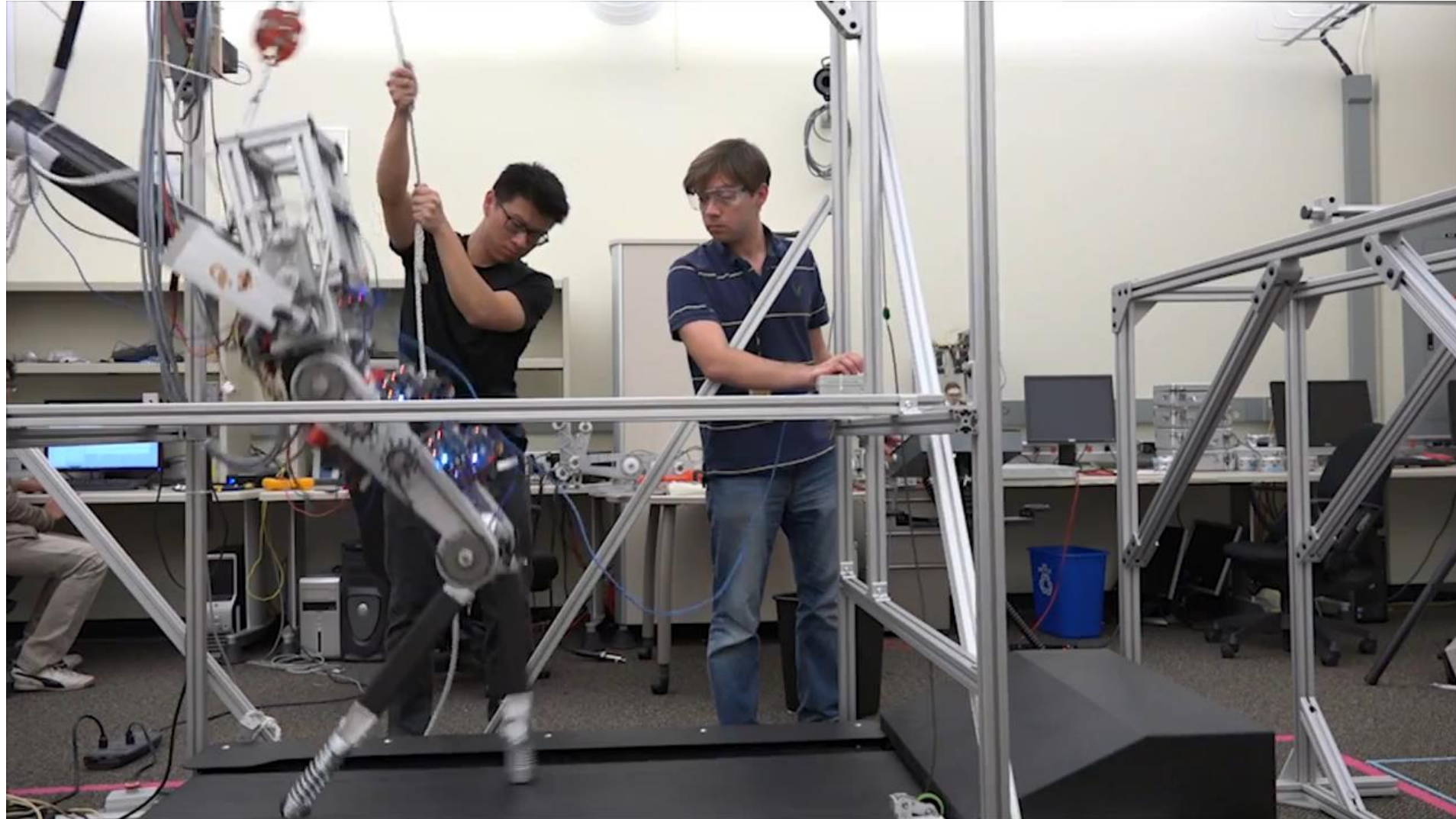
A Control Lyapunov Perspective on Episodic Learning via Projection to State Stability

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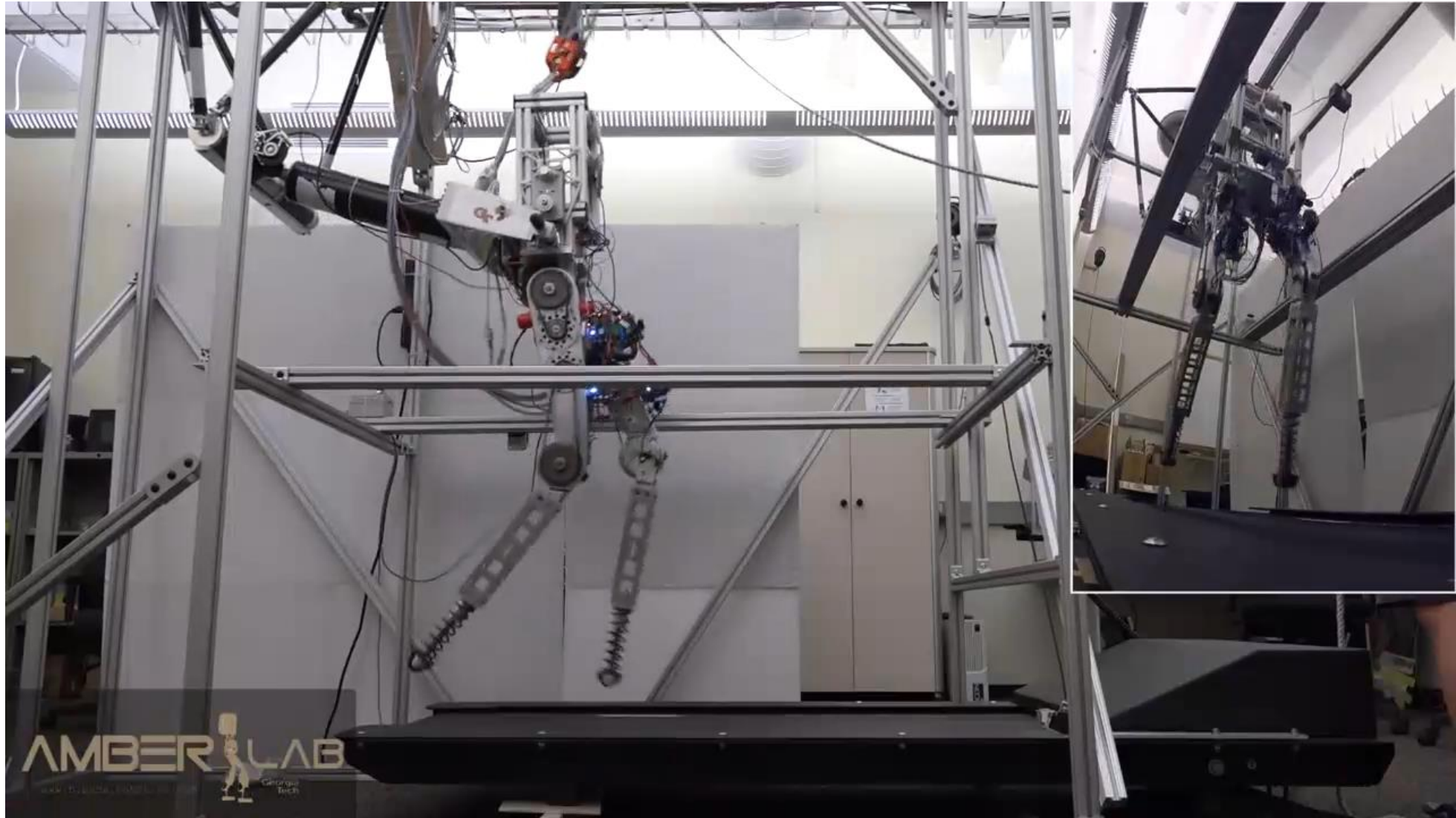
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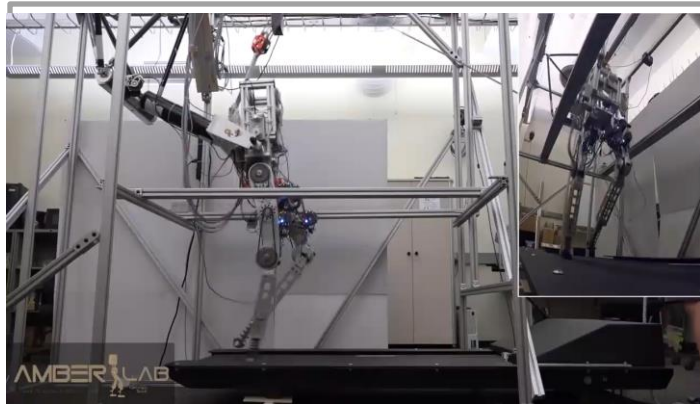


But: Pretty when it works...



W. Ma, et al., Bipedal robotic running with durus-2d: Bridging the gap between theory and experiment

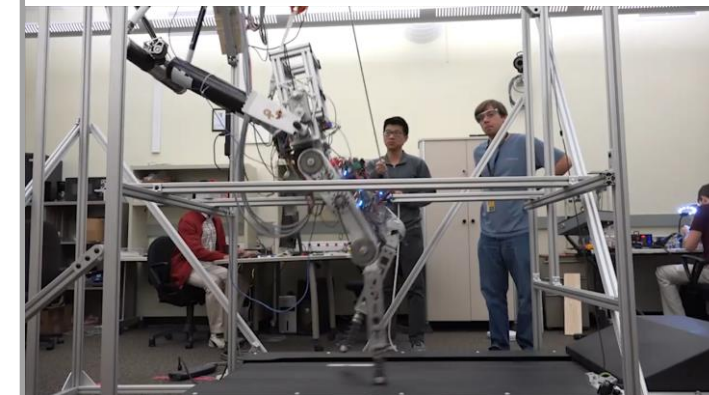
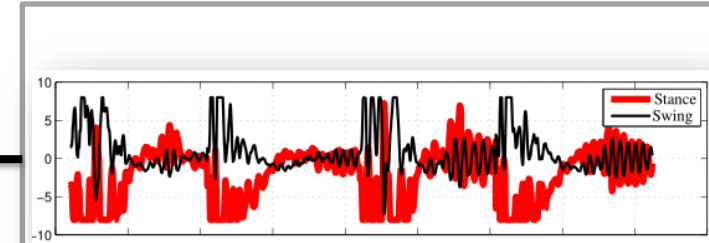
Claim: Need to Bridge the Gap



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Theorems & Proofs

Bridge the
Gap



Experimental Realization

- Framework for studying impact of disturbances in a projected environment via **Projection-to-State Stability (PSS)**
- Apply PSS to study how error in machine learning models estimating dynamics leads to degradation in stability guarantees
- Data driven method for bounding residual error in machine learning models after learning for affine control systems

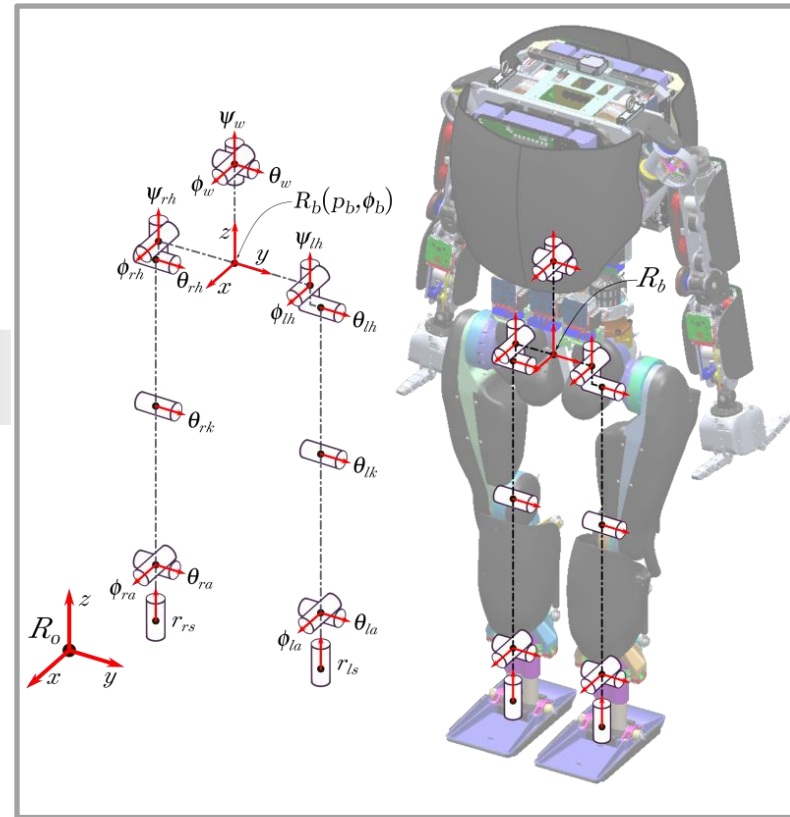
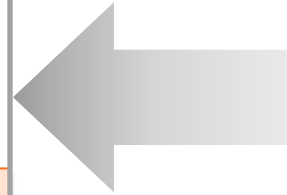
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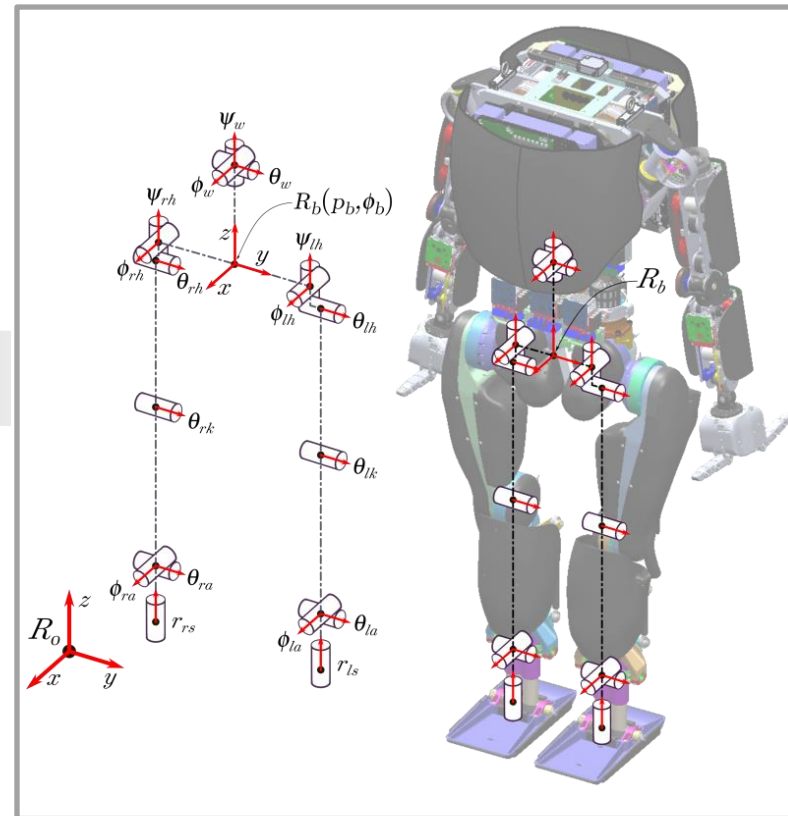
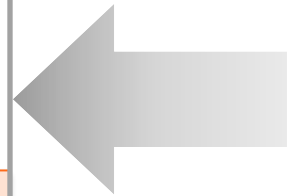
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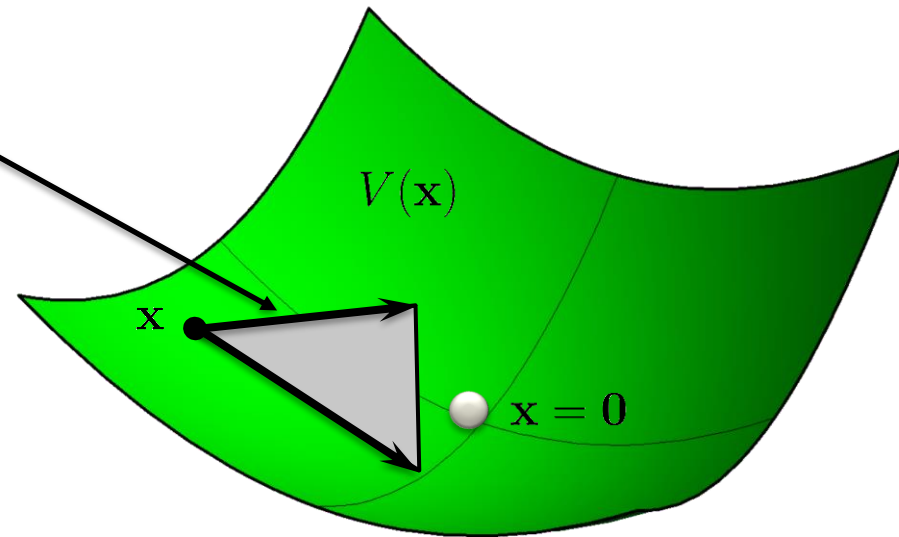
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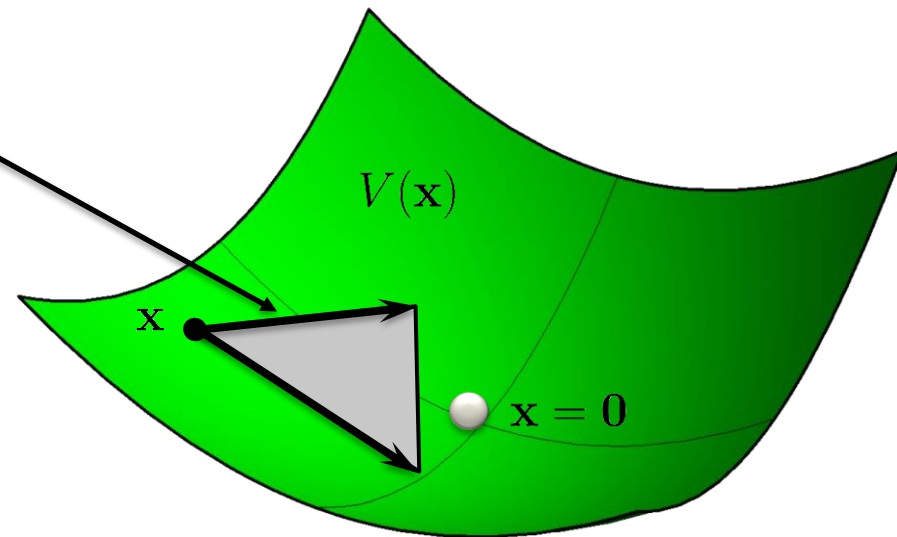
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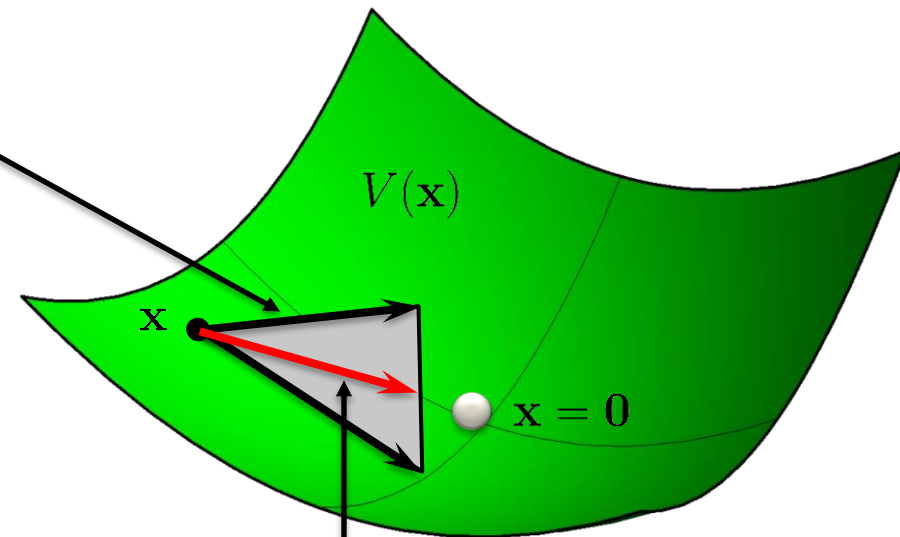
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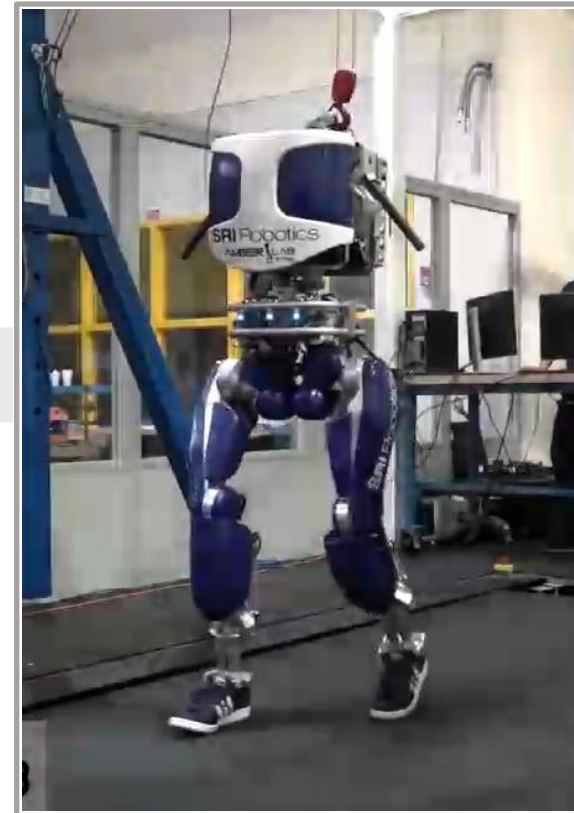
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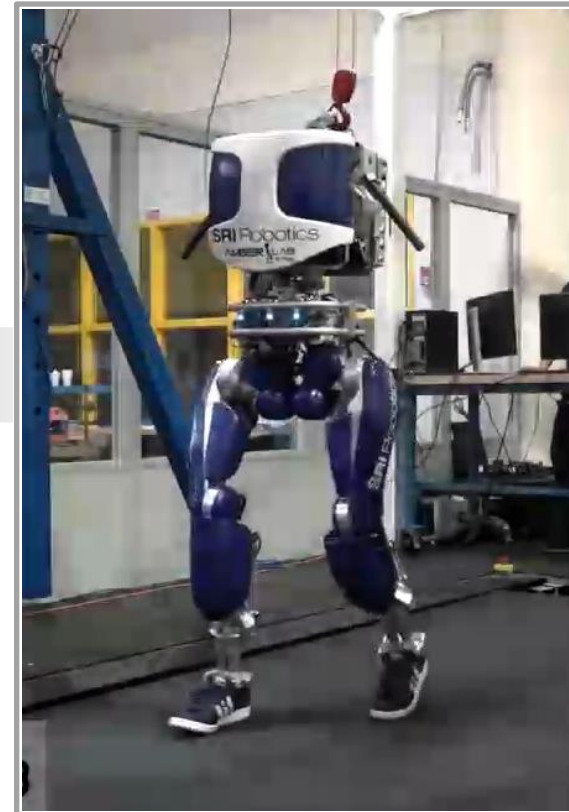
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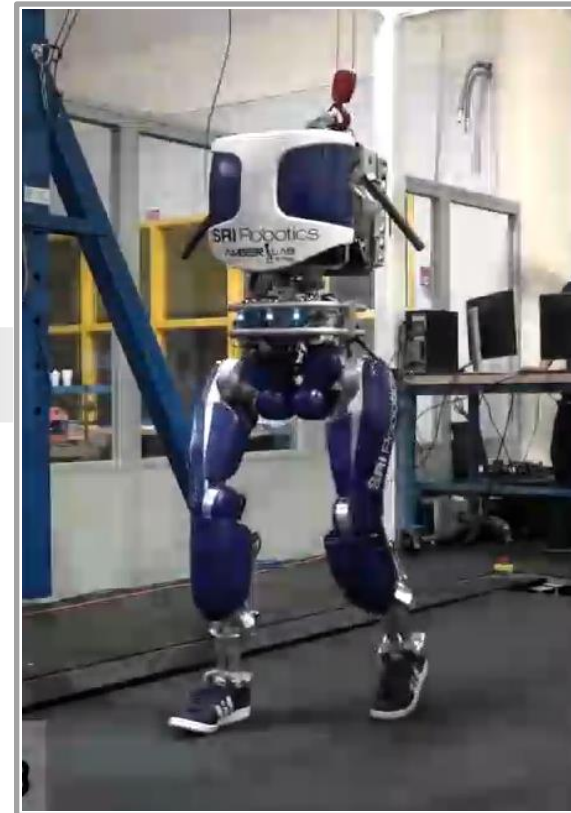
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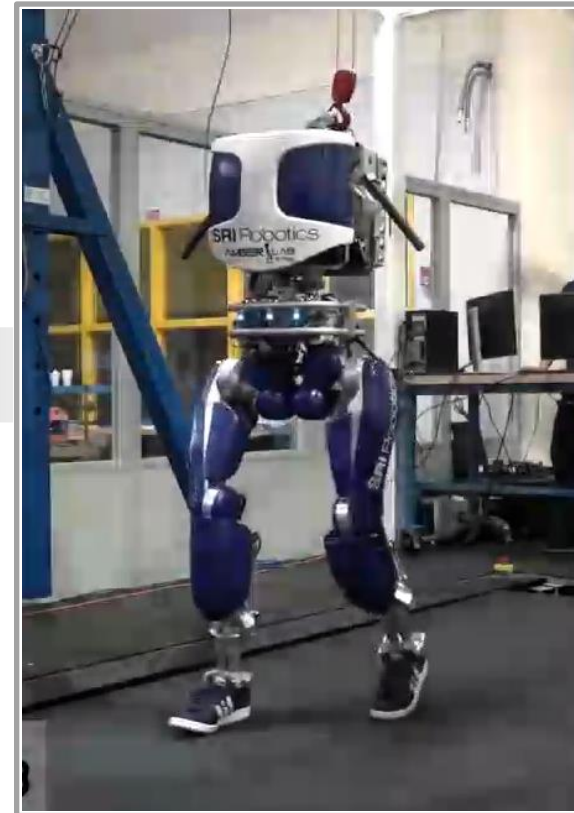
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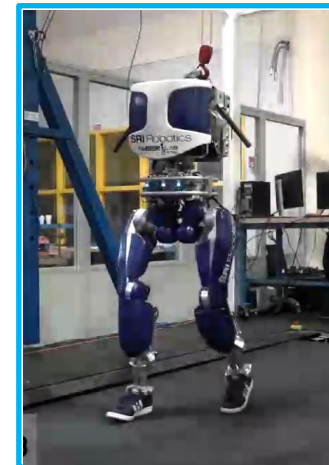
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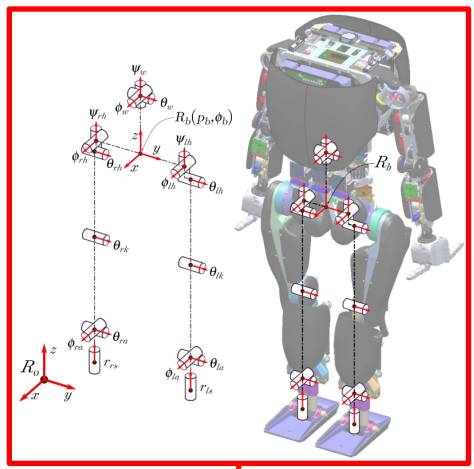
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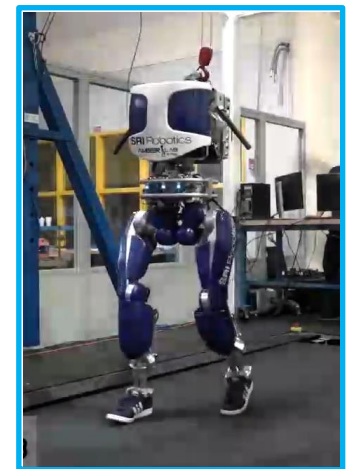
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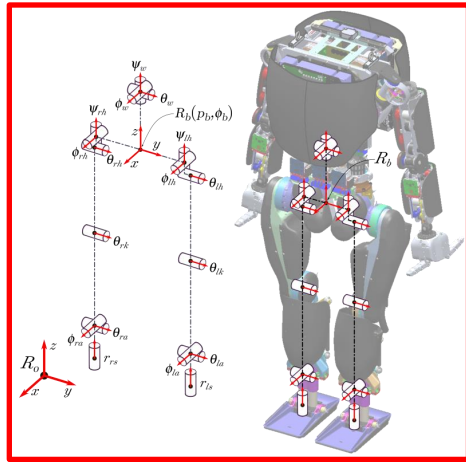


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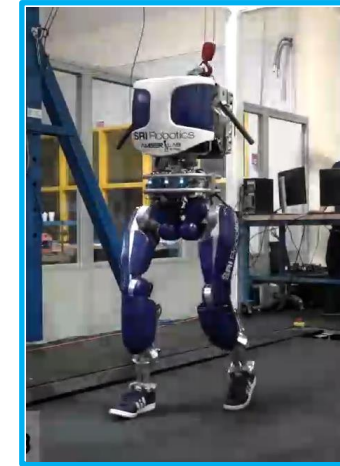
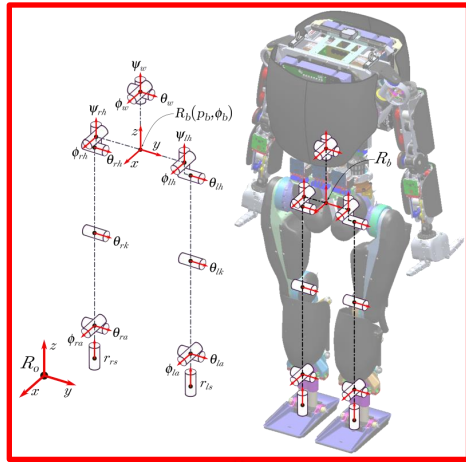


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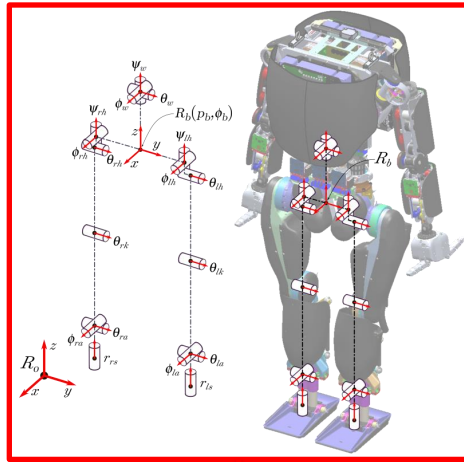


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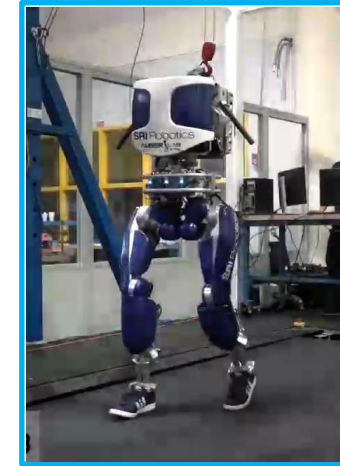
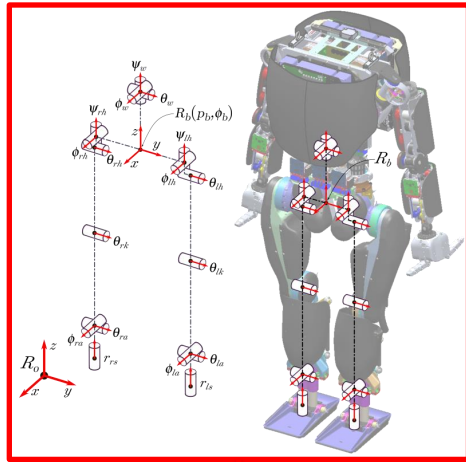
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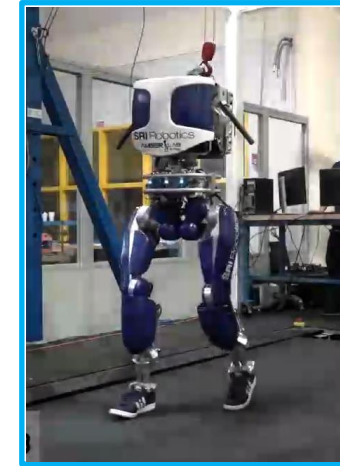
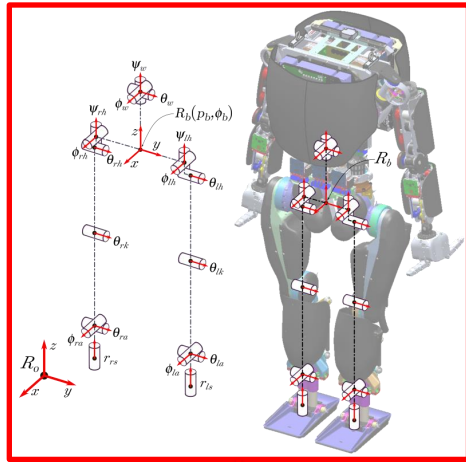
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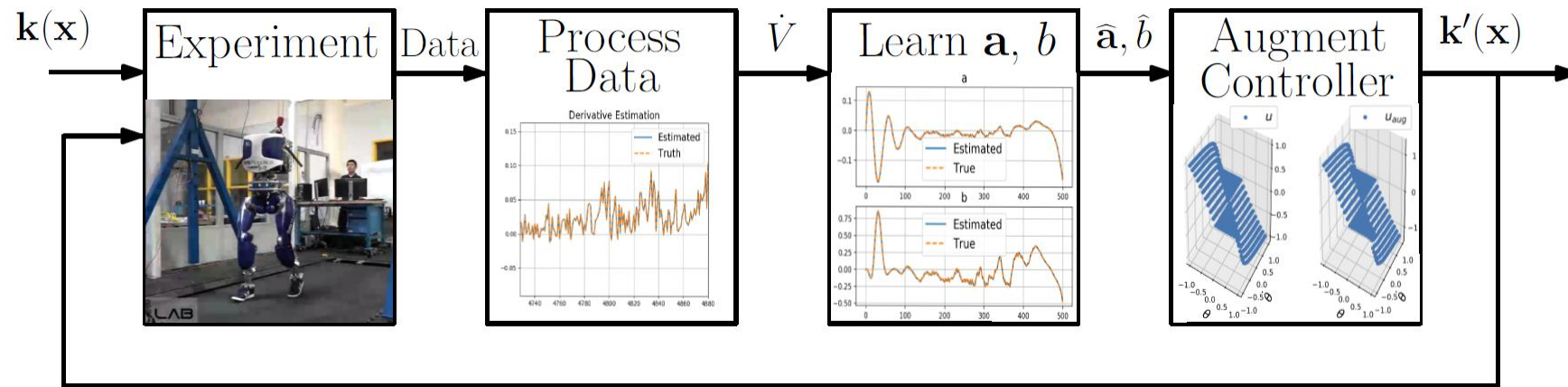
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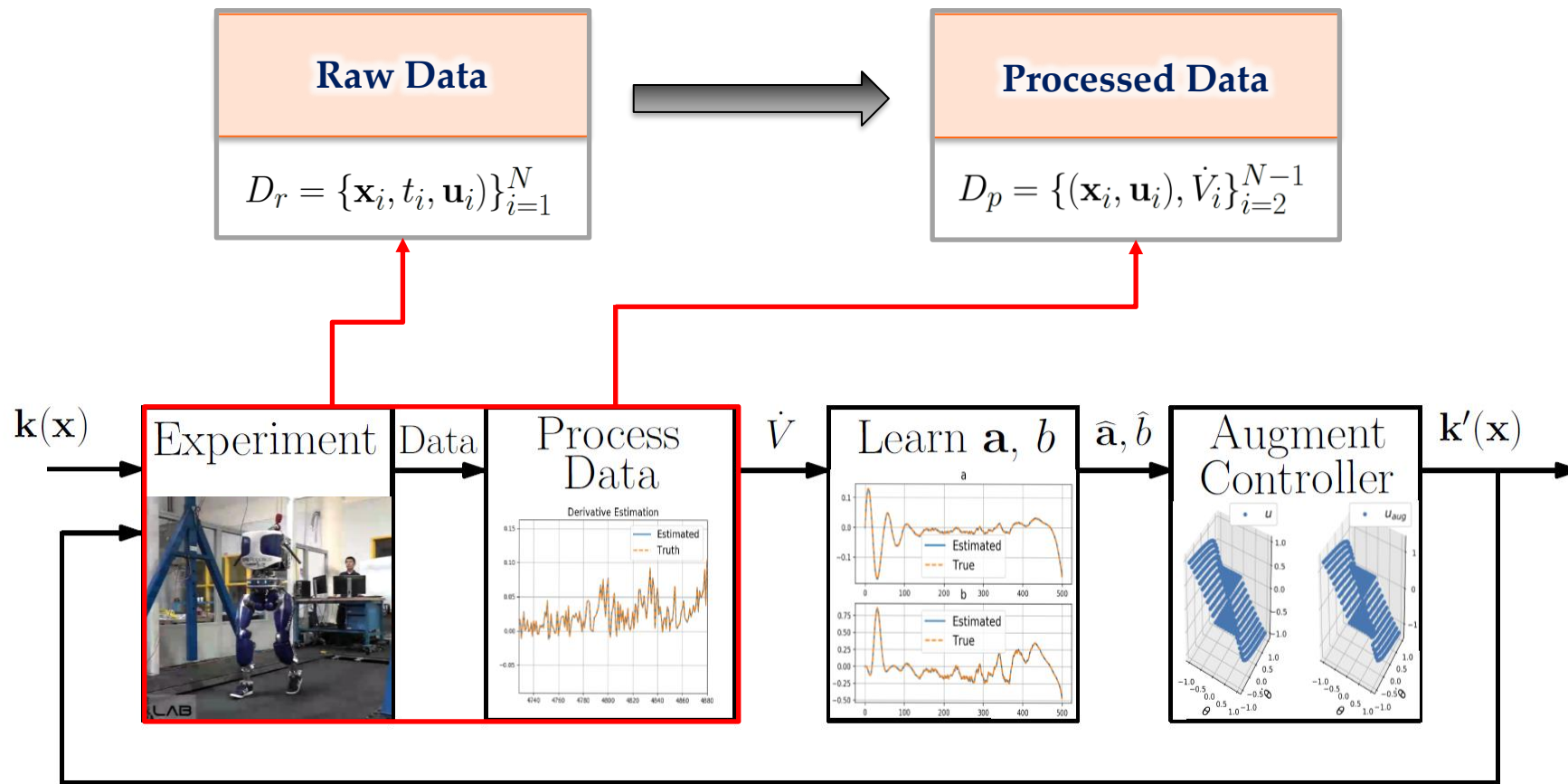
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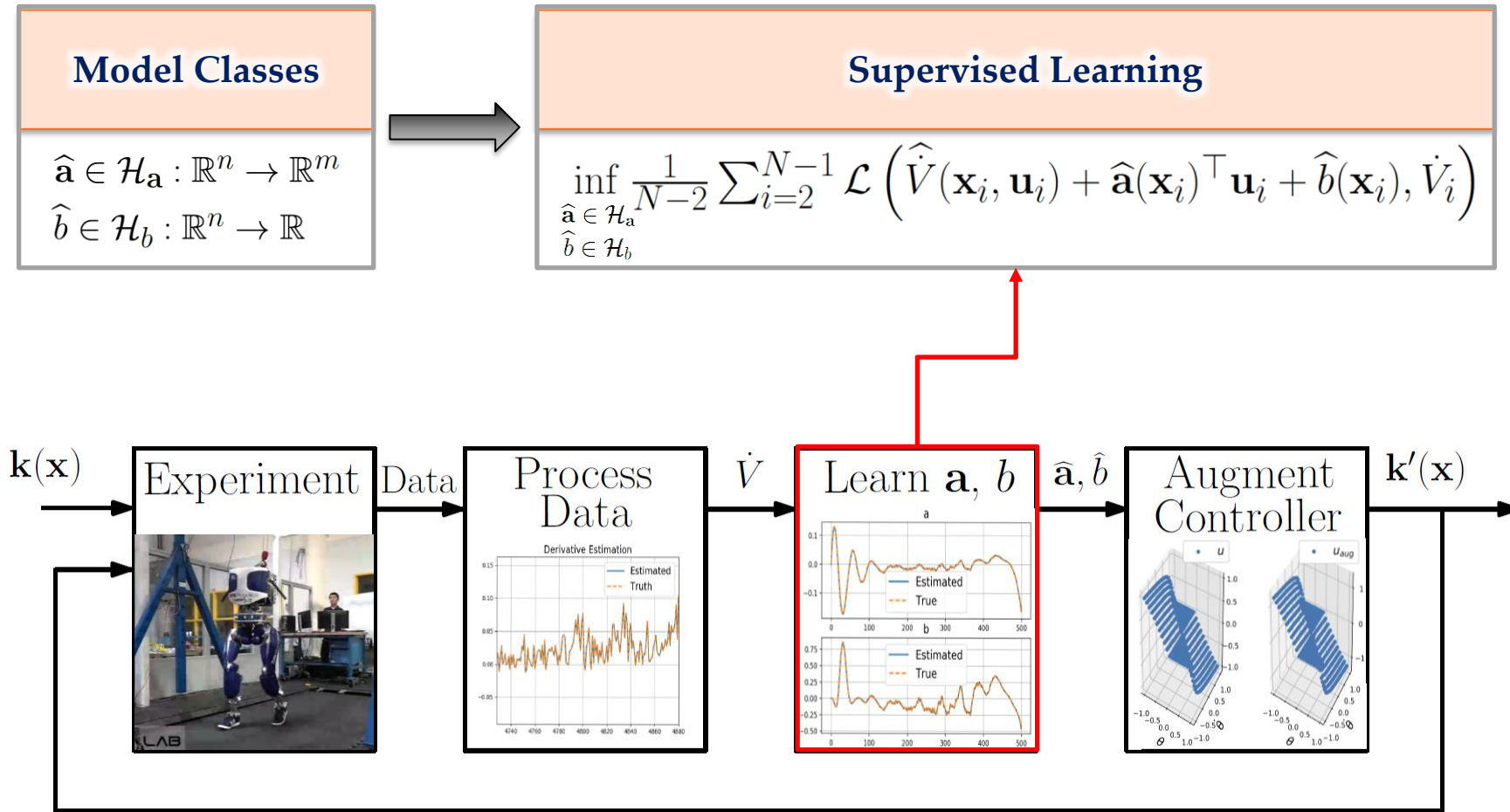
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Learning Control Lyapunov Functions

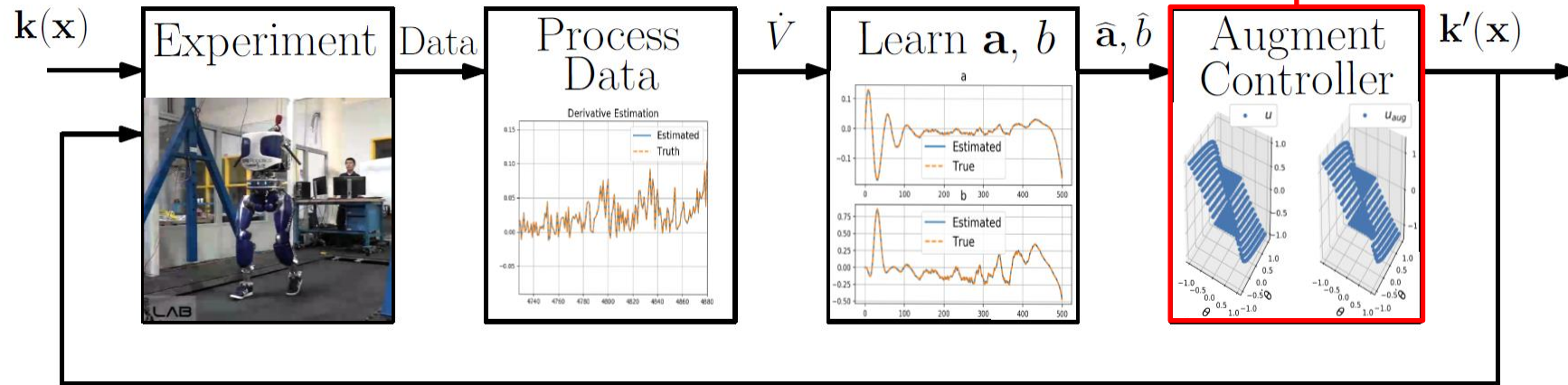


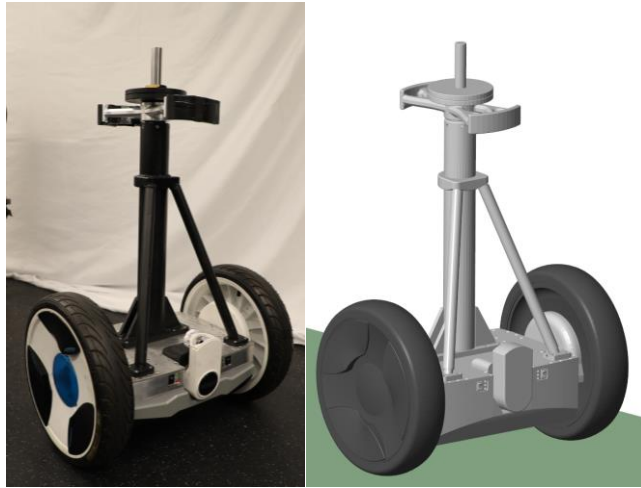


Learning-Augmented Controller

$$\mathbf{k}'(\mathbf{x}) = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{u}' \in \mathbb{R}^m} \|\mathbf{k}(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{u}'\|_2$$

$$\text{s.t. } \hat{V}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{k}(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{u}') + \hat{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{x})^\top (\mathbf{k}(\mathbf{x}) + \mathbf{u}') + \hat{\mathbf{b}}(\mathbf{x}) \leq -\alpha_3 (\|\mathbf{x}\|_2)$$





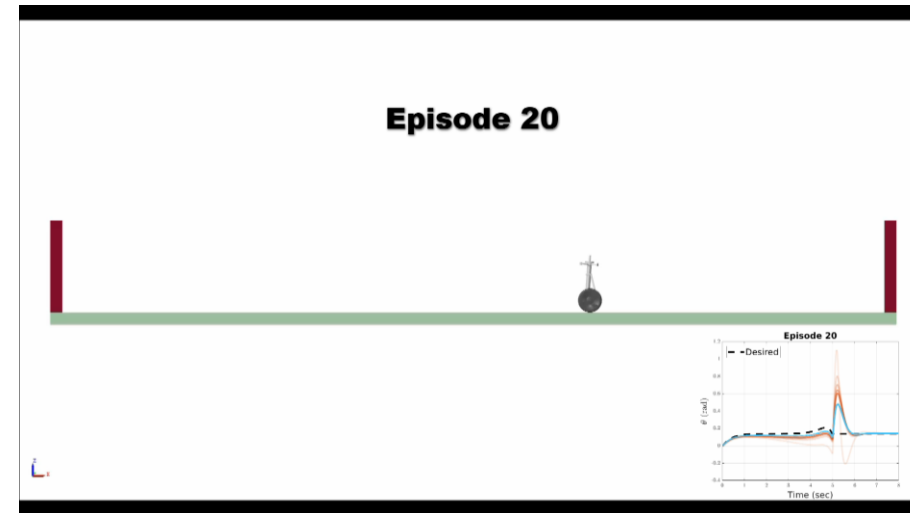
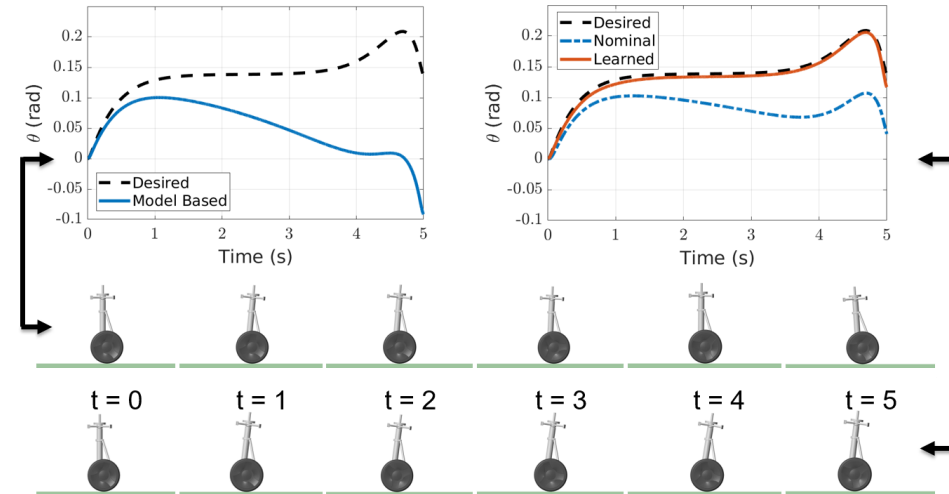
Algorithm 1 Dataset Aggregation for Control Lyapunov Functions (DaCLyF) [31]

Require: Lyapunov function V , Lyapunov function derivative estimate \hat{V}_0 , model classes \mathcal{H}_a and \mathcal{H}_b , loss function \mathcal{L} , set of initial conditions \mathcal{X}_0 , nominal state-feedback controller \mathbf{u}_0 , number of experiments T , sequence of trust coefficients $0 \leq w_1 \leq \dots \leq w_T \leq 1$

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D = ∅                                     ▷ Initialize dataset
for k = 1, ..., T do
    x_0 ← sample(ℳ_0)                       ▷ Sample initial condition
    D_k ← experiment(x_0, u_{k-1})          ▷ Execute experiment
    D ← D ∪ D_k                             ▷ Aggregate dataset
    â, b̂ ← ERM(ℳ_a, ℳ_b, ℳ, D, V̂_0)        ▷ Fit estimators
    V̂_k ← V̂_0 + â^T u + b̂                 ▷ Update derivative estimator
    u_k ← u_0 + w_k · augment(u_0, V̂_k)    ▷ Update controller
end for
return D, V̂_T, u_T
    
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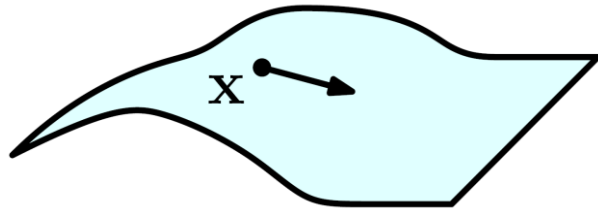
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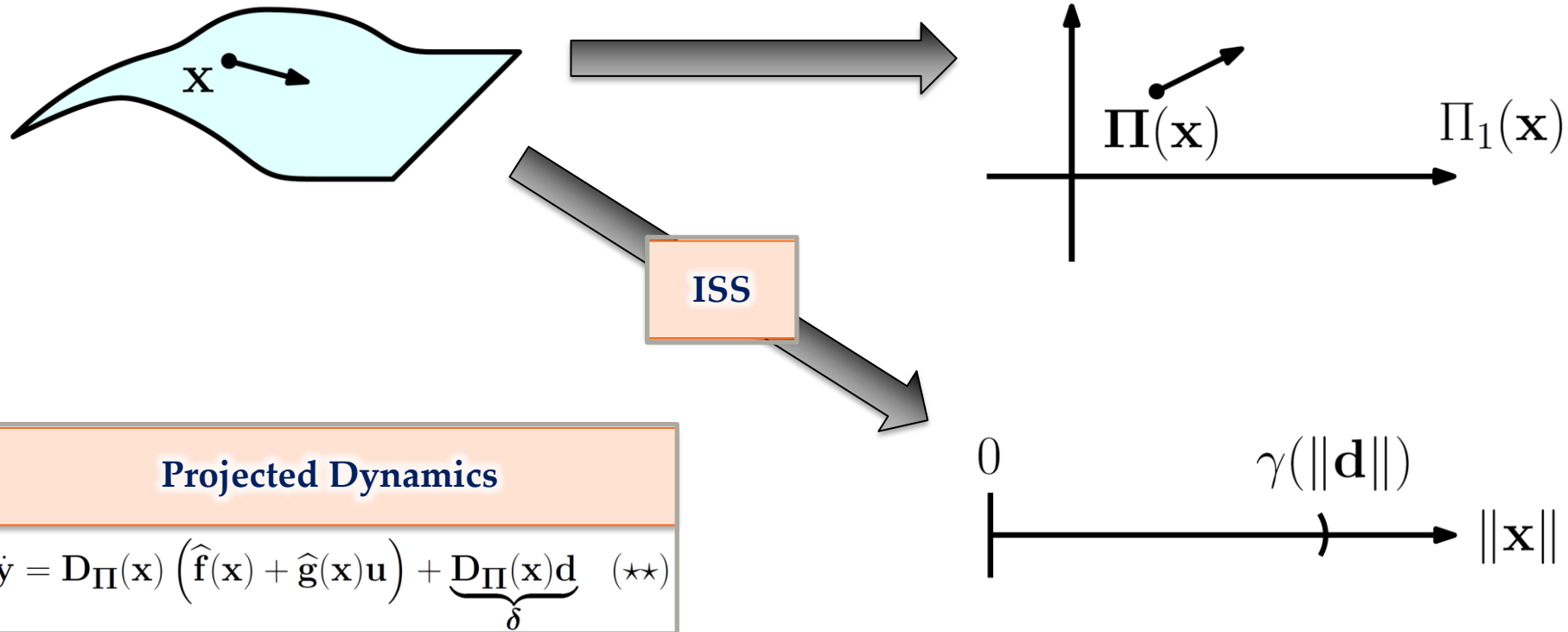
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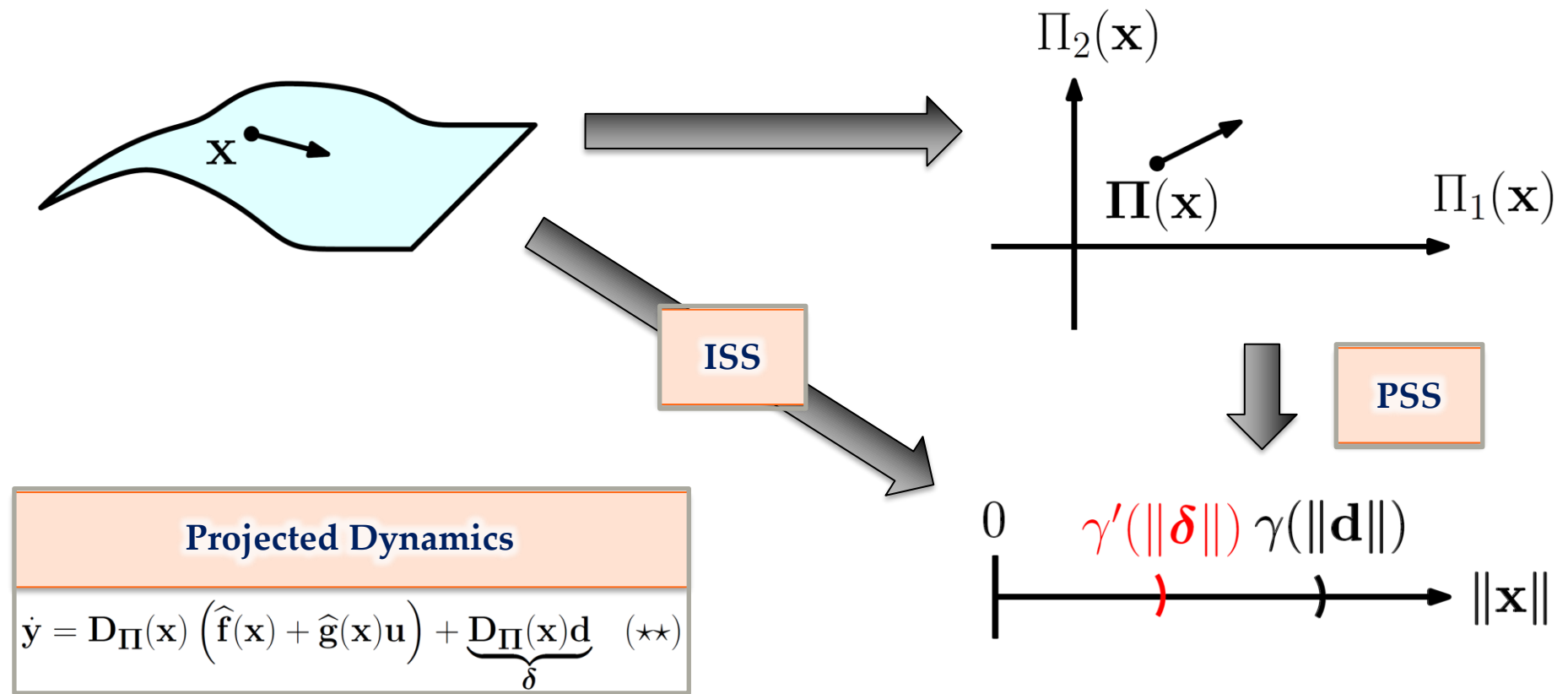
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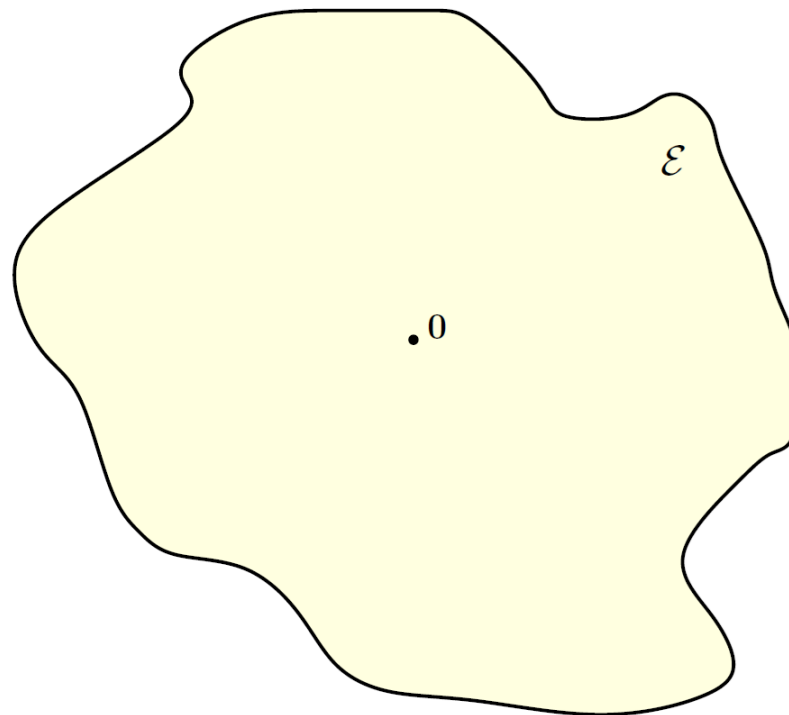
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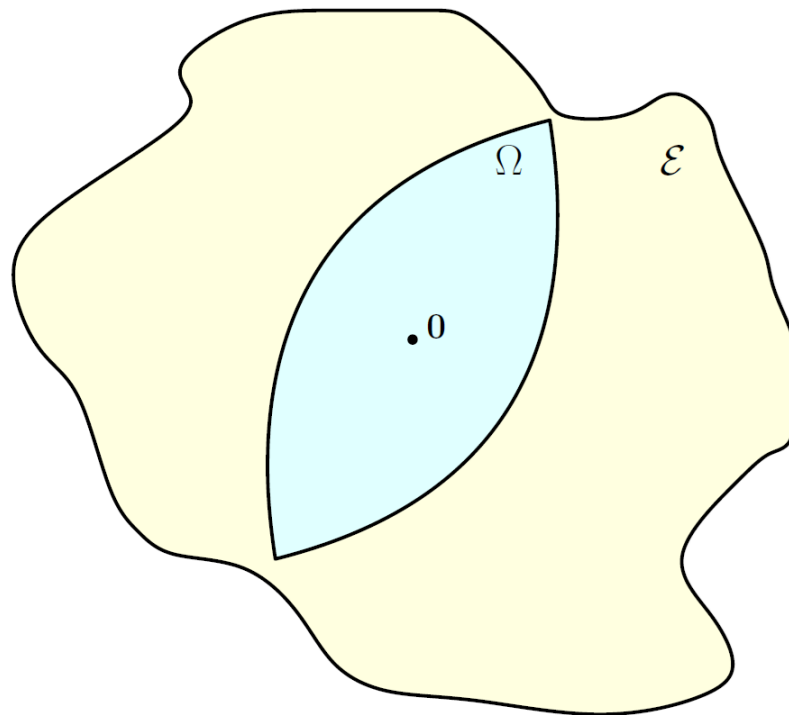
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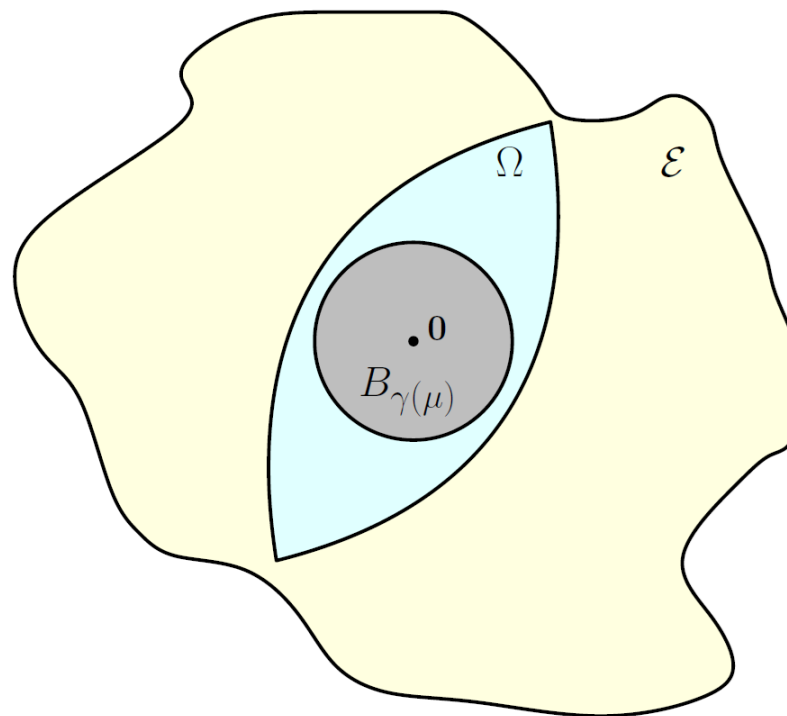
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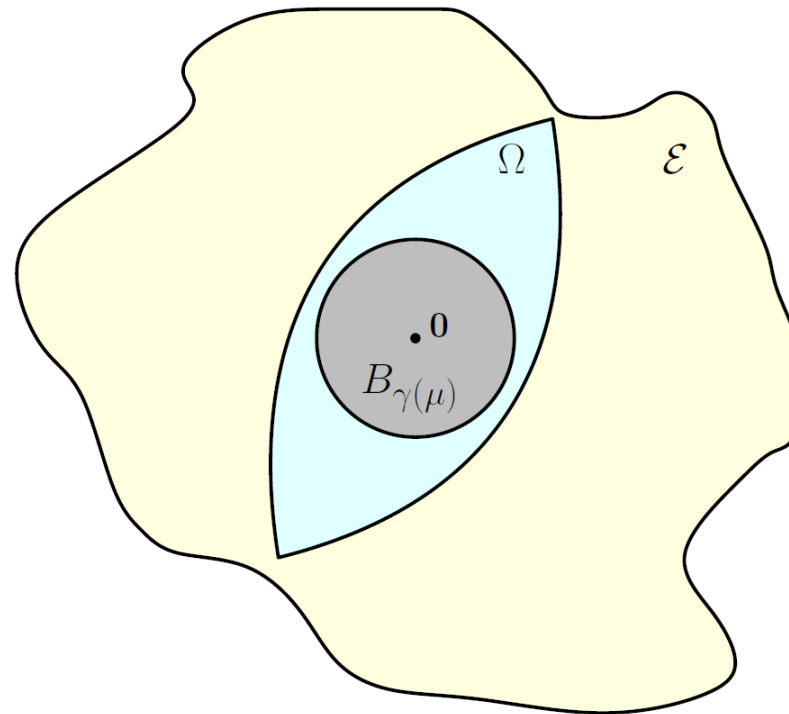
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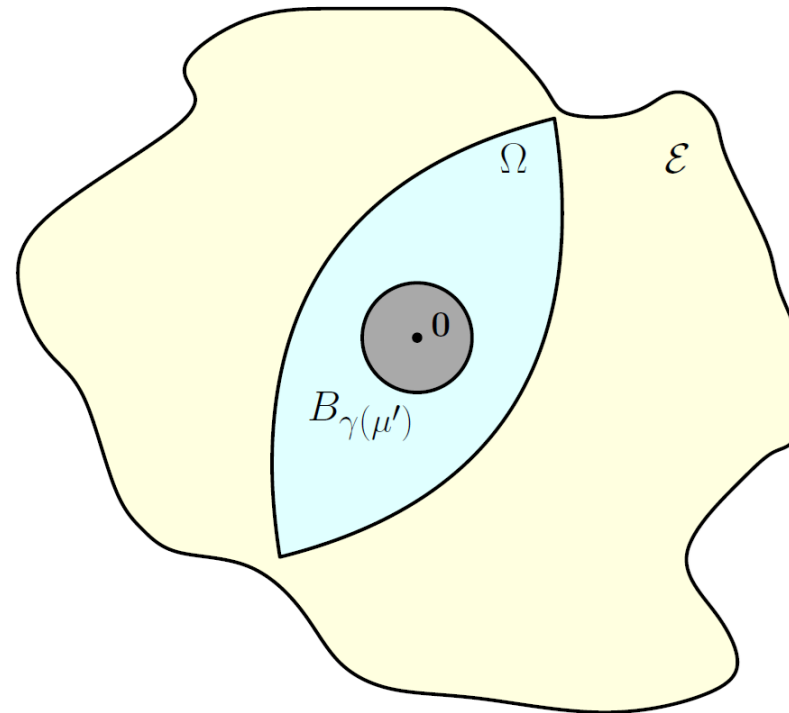
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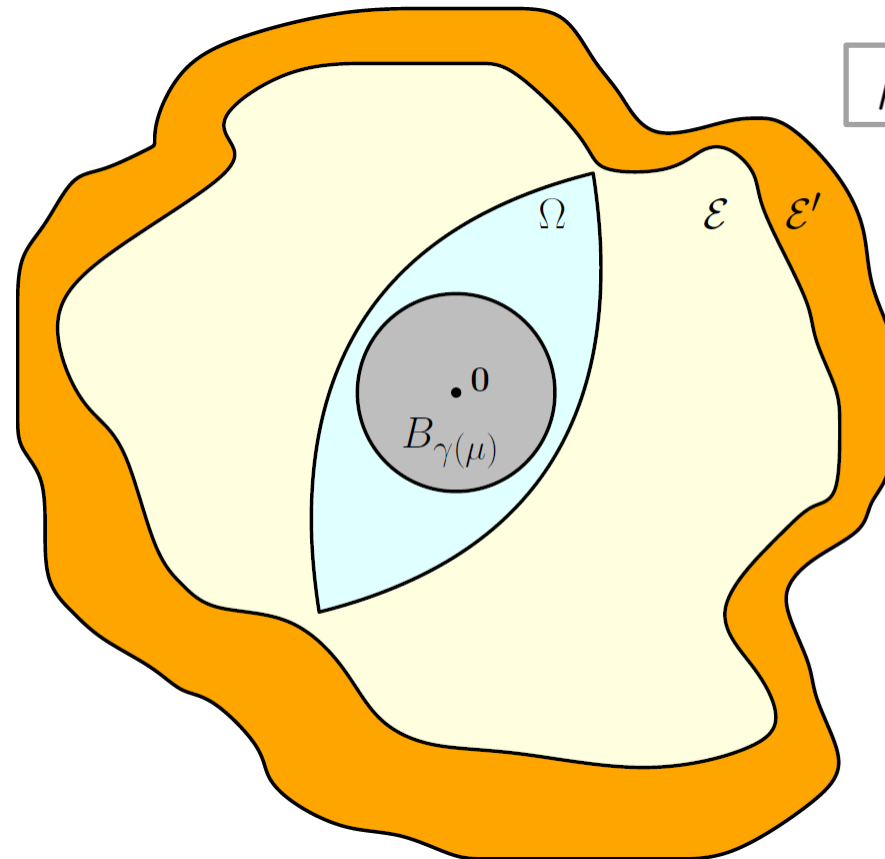
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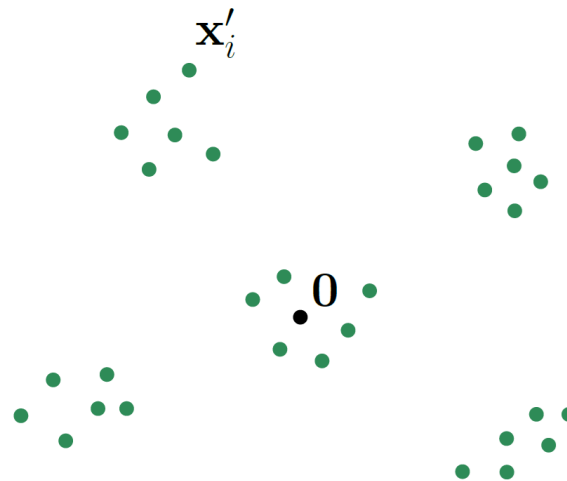
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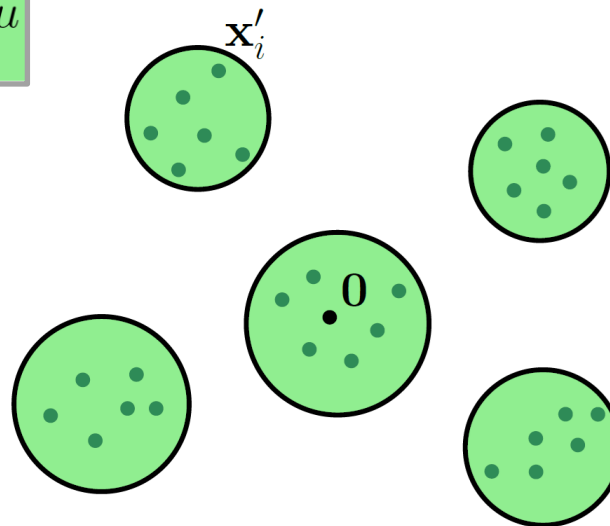


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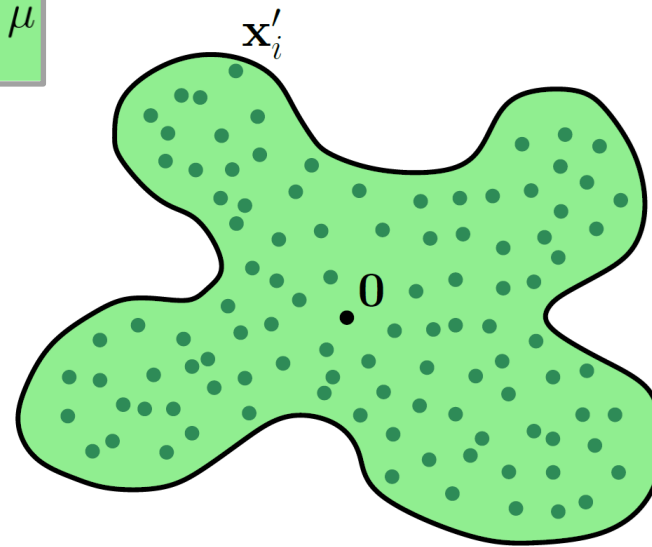


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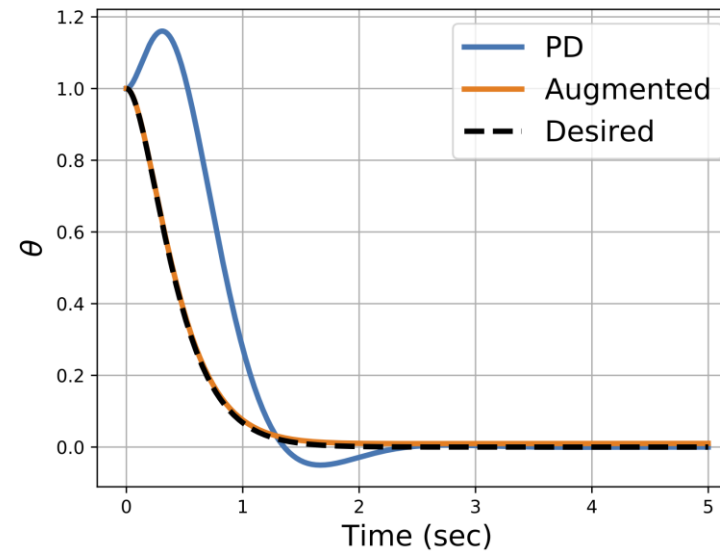
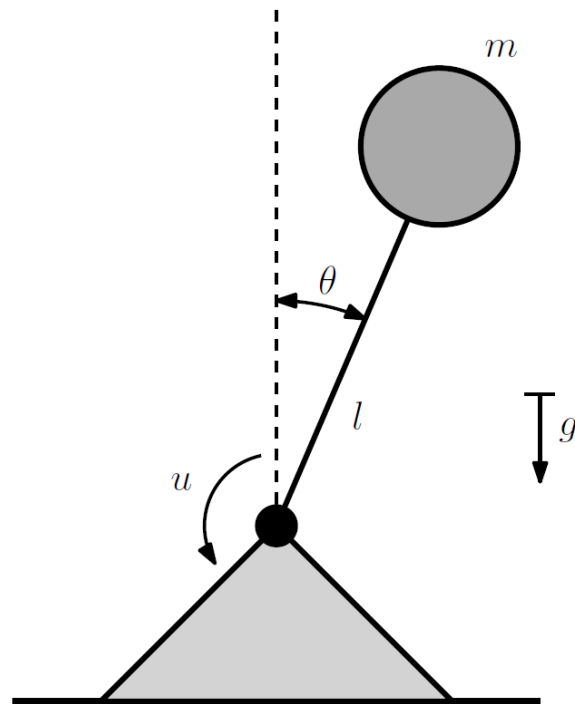
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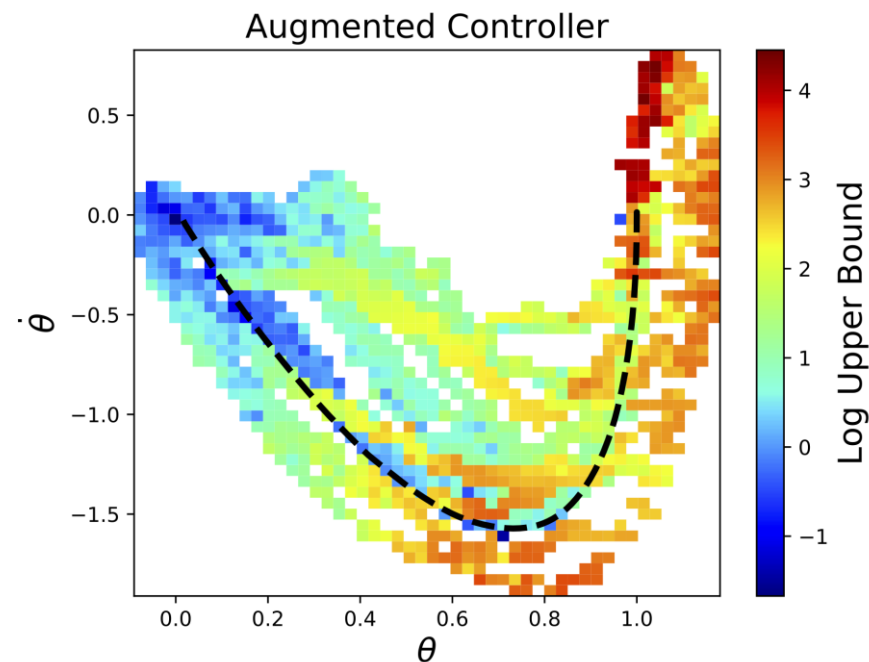
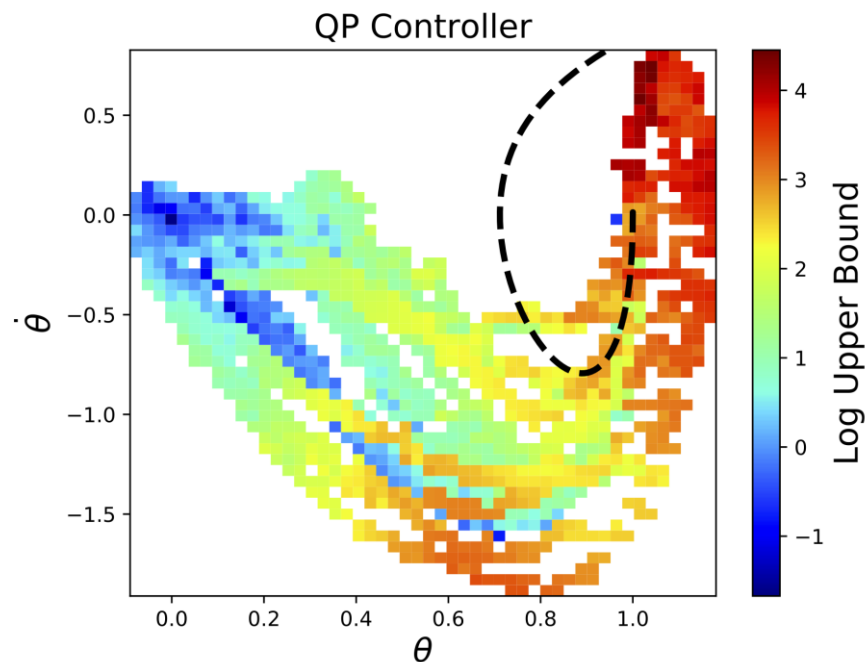
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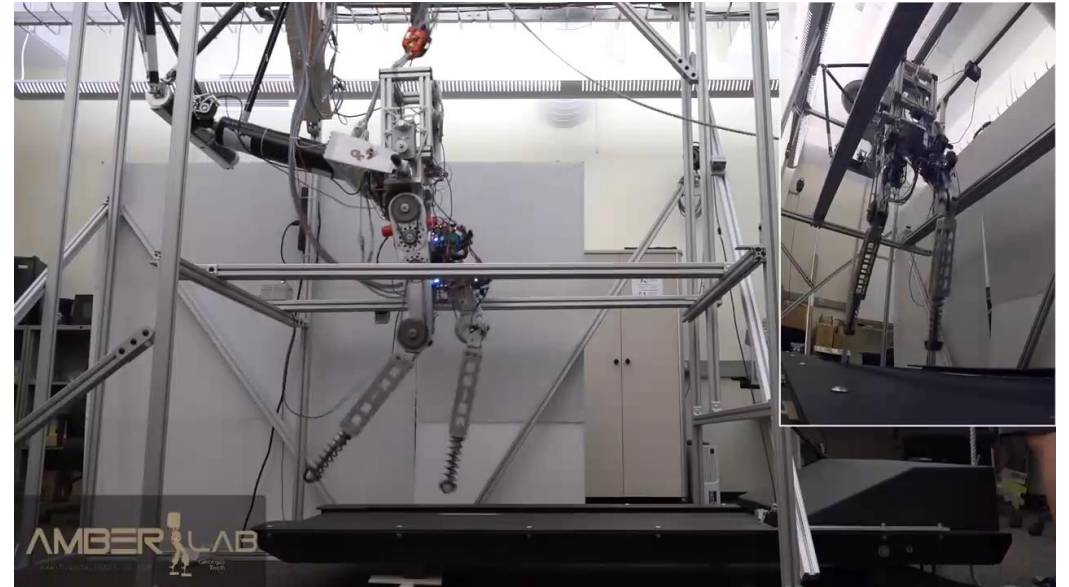
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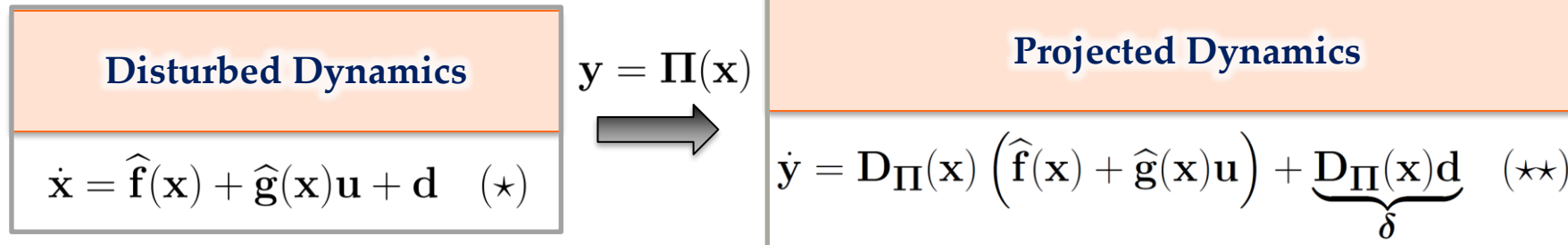
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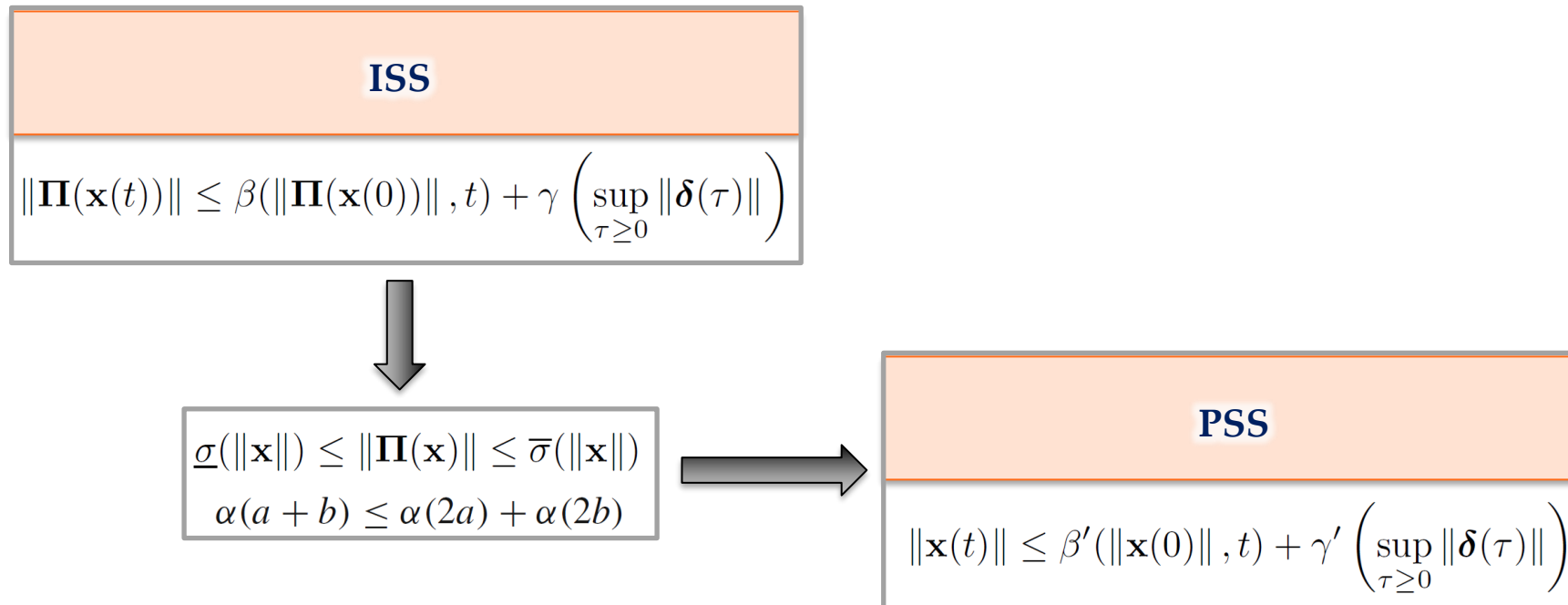
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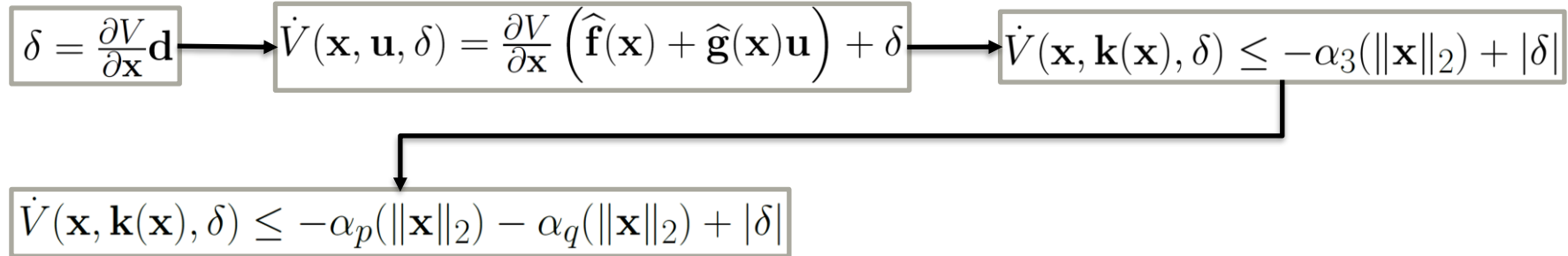
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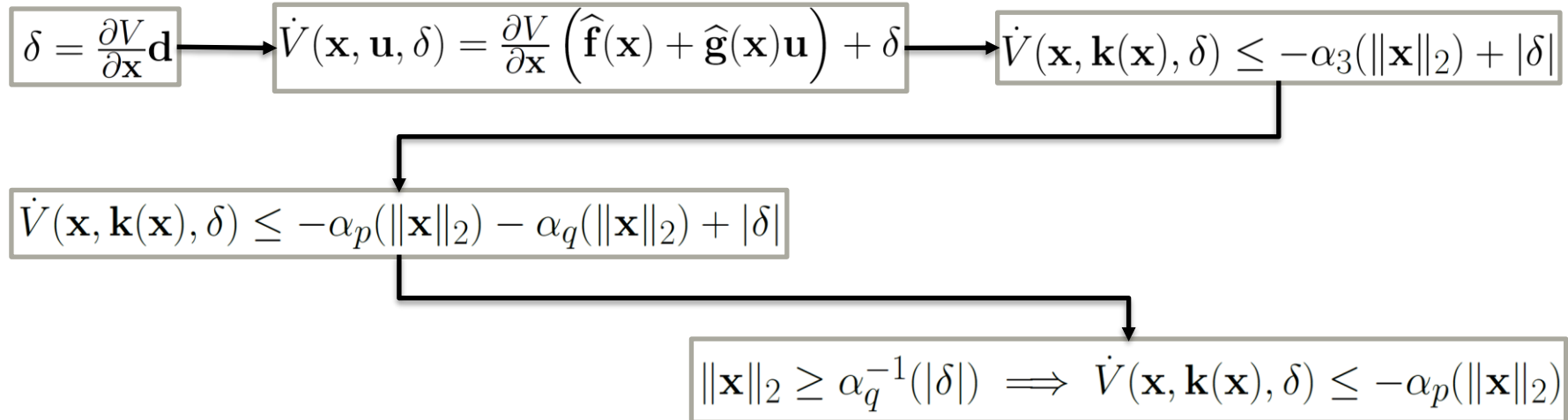
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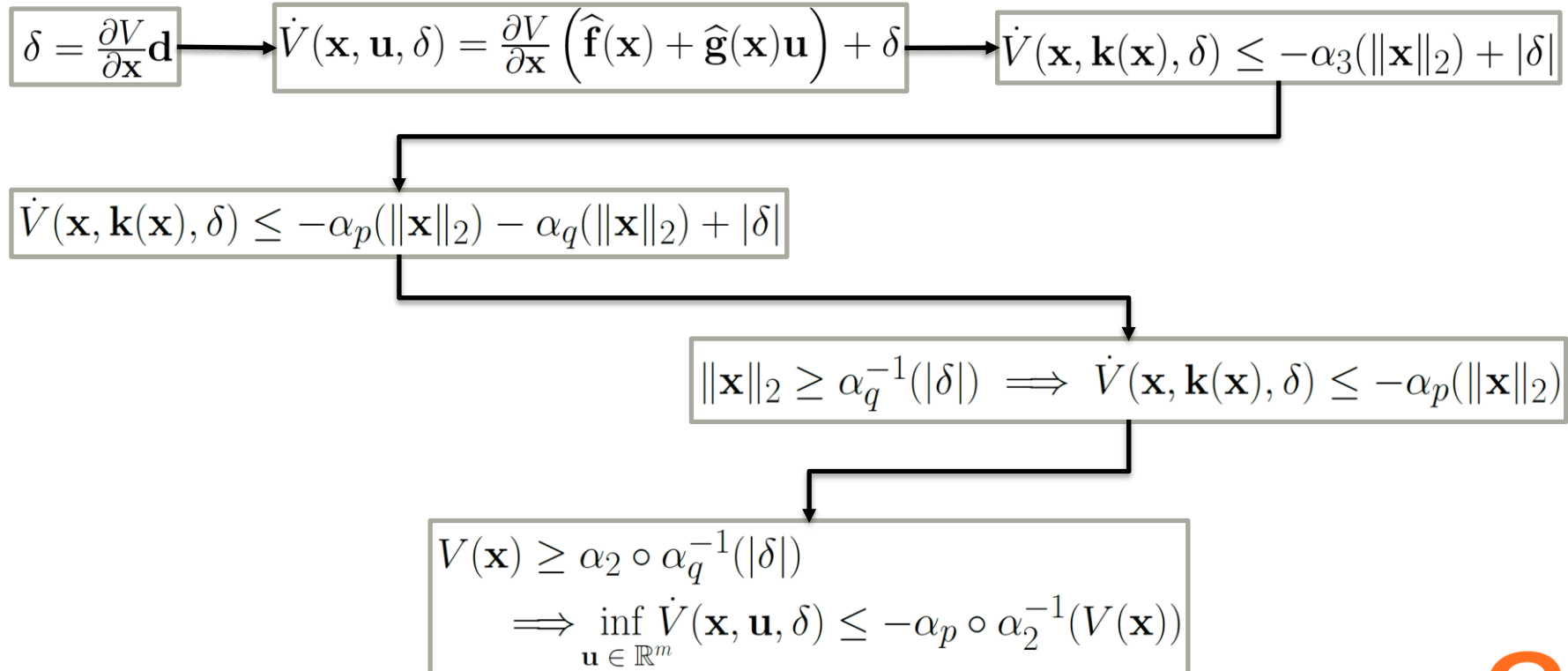
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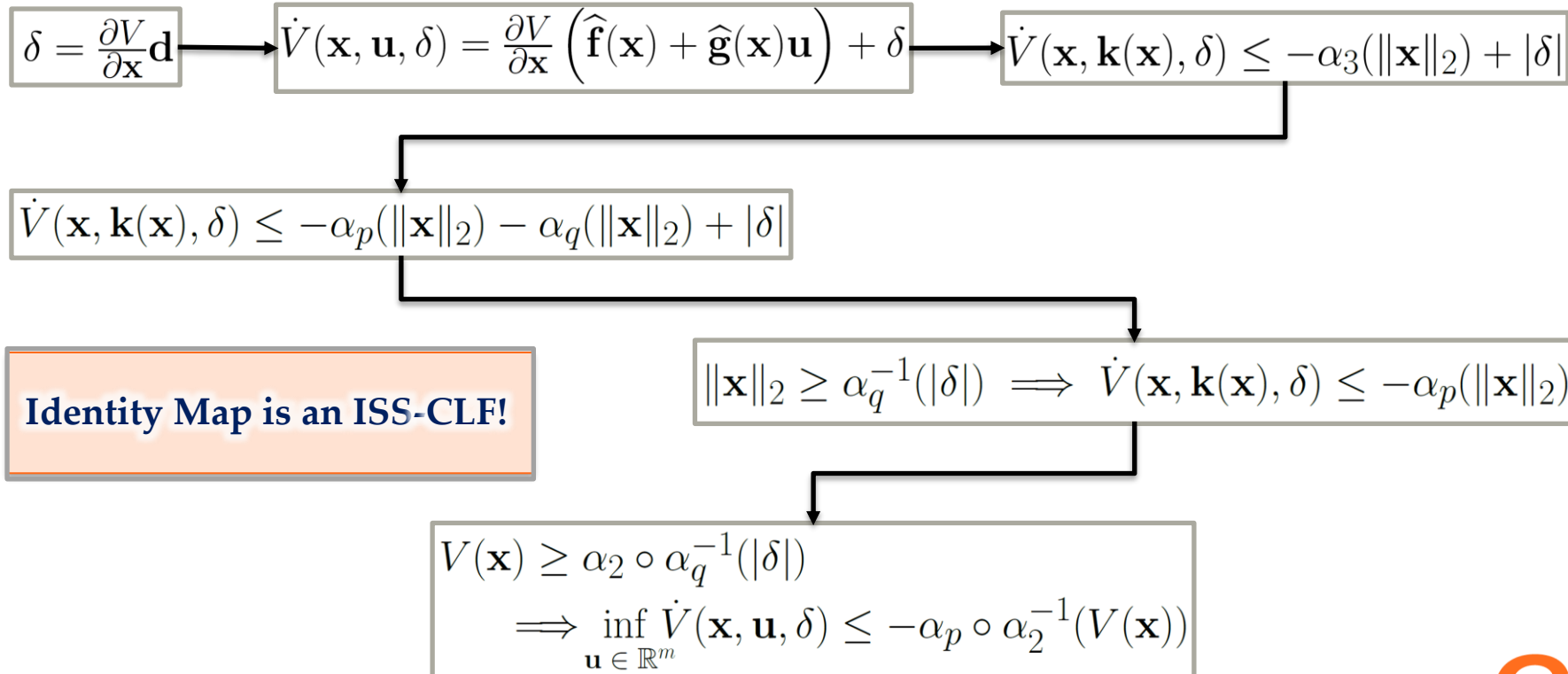
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Uncertainty Functions to PSS

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Theorem 2 (*Sufficient Conditions for PSS in Affine Control Systems*). Consider the system in (*), and a CLF V for (**) with estimated time-derivative as defined in (***) satisfying the CLF assumption. Let Δ be an uncertainty function and let $\mathbf{k} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$ be a continuous state-feedback controller satisfying $\mathbf{k}(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathcal{U}(\mathbf{x})$ for all $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Suppose there exists $\alpha_p, \alpha_q \in \mathcal{K}_\infty$ with $\alpha_p + \alpha_q = \alpha_3$ and a sublevel set Ω of V satisfying:

$$\|\mathbf{x}\| \geq \sup_{(\mathbf{a}, b) \in \Delta(\mathbf{x})} \alpha_q^{-1}(\mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{k}(\mathbf{x}) + b),$$

for all $\mathbf{x} \in \partial\Omega$. Then the system governed by (*) is PSS with respect to the projection V on Ω .

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \hat{\mathbf{f}}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{\mathbf{g}}(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{x}) \quad (*)$$

$$\hat{\dot{\mathbf{x}}} = \hat{\mathbf{f}}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{\mathbf{g}}(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{u} \quad (**)$$

$$\hat{V}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) + \hat{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{x})^\top \mathbf{u} + \hat{b}(\mathbf{x}) \quad (***)$$

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$$\sup_{(\mathbf{a}, b) \in \Delta(\mathbf{x})} (\mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{k}(\mathbf{x}) + b) \leq \mu,$$

for all $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{E}$. If there exists a sublevel set Ω of V such that:

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Corollary 3 (Uncertainty Function Improvement). Consider uncertainty functions Δ and Δ' , as well as \mathcal{E} and μ as defined in Corollary 2.

- Fix $\mu > 0$ and let \mathcal{E}_μ be defined as:

$$\mathcal{E}_\mu = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X} : \sup_{(\mathbf{a}, b) \in \Delta(\mathbf{x})} (\mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{k}(\mathbf{x}) + b) \leq \mu\}.$$

- Fix $\mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathcal{X}$ and let $\mu_{\mathcal{E}}$ be defined as:

$$\mu_{\mathcal{E}} = \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{E}} \sup_{(\mathbf{a}, b) \in \Delta(\mathbf{x})} (\mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{k}(\mathbf{x}) + b).$$

Suppose $\Delta'(\mathbf{x}) \subseteq \Delta(\mathbf{x})$ for all $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}$. Then the associated set \mathcal{E}'_μ and scalar $\mu'_{\mathcal{E}}$ satisfy $\mathcal{E}_\mu \subseteq \mathcal{E}'_\mu$ and $\mu'_{\mathcal{E}} \leq \mu_{\mathcal{E}}$.

Proposition 1. Given a dataset D , an uncertainty function Δ can be constructed as:

$$\Delta(\mathbf{x}) = \{(\mathbf{a}, b) \in \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R} : \pm(\mathbf{a}^\top \mathbf{u}' + b) \leq \epsilon(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}', \mathbf{u}') \\ \text{for all } (\mathbf{x}', \mathbf{u}') \in D_0\},$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_L(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') &= \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'\| \min \{ \|\nabla V(\mathbf{x})\|_2, \|\nabla V(\mathbf{x}')\|_2 \} \\ \epsilon_\infty(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') &= \|\nabla V(\mathbf{x}) - \nabla V(\mathbf{x}')\|_2 \\ \epsilon_{\mathcal{H}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}', \mathbf{u}') &= |(\hat{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{x}'))^\top \mathbf{u}' + \hat{b}(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{b}(\mathbf{x}')| \end{aligned}$$

$$\dot{V}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) = \hat{V}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) + \hat{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{x})^\top \mathbf{u} + \hat{b}(\mathbf{x}) + \underbrace{(\mathbf{a}(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{x}))^\top}_{\tilde{\mathbf{a}}(\mathbf{x})^\top} \mathbf{u} + \underbrace{b(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{b}(\mathbf{x})}_{\tilde{b}(\mathbf{x})}$$

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$$\|\mathbf{x}(t)\| \leq \beta(\|\mathbf{x}(0)\|, t) + \gamma\left(\sup_{\tau \geq 0} \|\mathbf{d}(\tau)\|\right),$$

for all $t \geq 0$.

Projected Dynamics

$$\dot{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{D}_{\Pi}(\mathbf{x}) \left(\hat{\mathbf{f}}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{\mathbf{g}}(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{u} \right) + \underbrace{\mathbf{D}_{\Pi}(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{d}}_{\boldsymbol{\delta}} \quad (**)$$

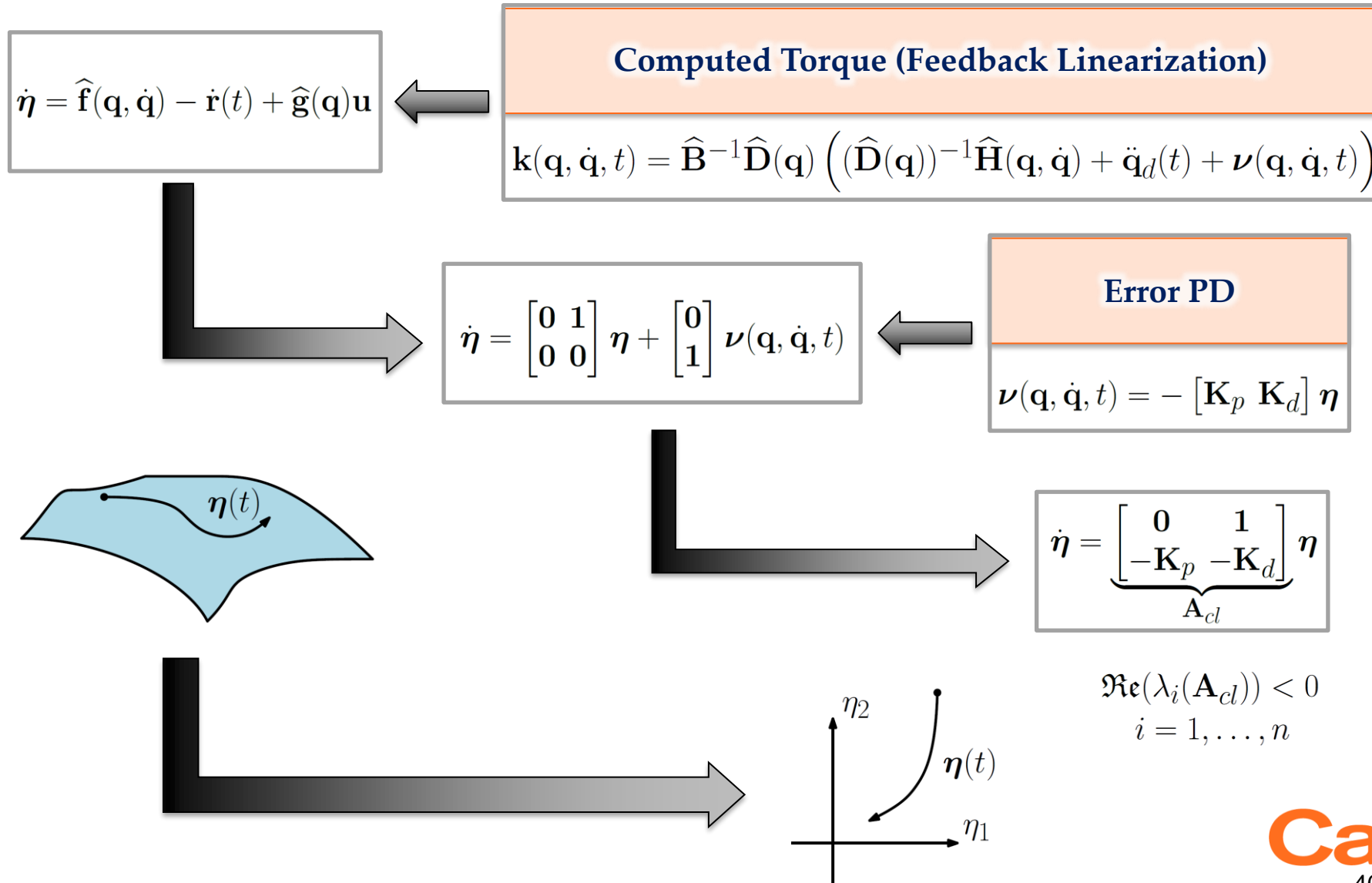
Definition 9 (Projection to State Stability). Under a continuous state-feedback controller $\mathbf{k} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{U}$, a system is *Projection to State Stable (PSS)* with respect to the dynamic projection Π if there exist $\beta \in \mathcal{KL}_\infty$ and $\gamma \in \mathcal{K}_\infty$ such that the solution to (\star) satisfies:

$$\|\mathbf{x}(t)\| \leq \beta(\|\mathbf{x}(0)\|, t) + \gamma\left(\sup_{\tau \geq 0} \|\boldsymbol{\delta}(\tau)\|\right),$$

for all $t \geq 0$, with $\boldsymbol{\delta}$ as defined in $(**)$.

IROS 2019 Backups

Computed Torque



Projection -to-State-Stability (PSS)

- Appearing at CDC 2019:

$$\dot{V}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \mathbf{u}) = \underbrace{\frac{\partial V}{\partial \boldsymbol{\eta}} \left(\hat{\mathbf{f}}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}) - \dot{\mathbf{r}}(t) + \hat{\mathbf{g}}(\mathbf{q})\mathbf{u} \right)}_{\hat{V}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \mathbf{u})} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial V}{\partial \boldsymbol{\eta}} \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{q}) \mathbf{u}}_{\mathbf{a}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \mathbf{q})^\top} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial V}{\partial \boldsymbol{\eta}} \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}})}_{b(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}})}$$



Supervised Learning

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \mathbf{u}) &= \hat{V}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \mathbf{u}) + \hat{\mathbf{a}}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \mathbf{q})^\top \mathbf{u} + \hat{b}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}) \\ &\quad + \underbrace{(\mathbf{a}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \mathbf{q}) - \hat{\mathbf{a}}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \mathbf{q}))^\top \mathbf{u} + b(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}) - \hat{b}(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}})}_{\delta(\boldsymbol{\eta}, \mathbf{q}, \dot{\mathbf{q}}, \mathbf{u})} \end{aligned}$$



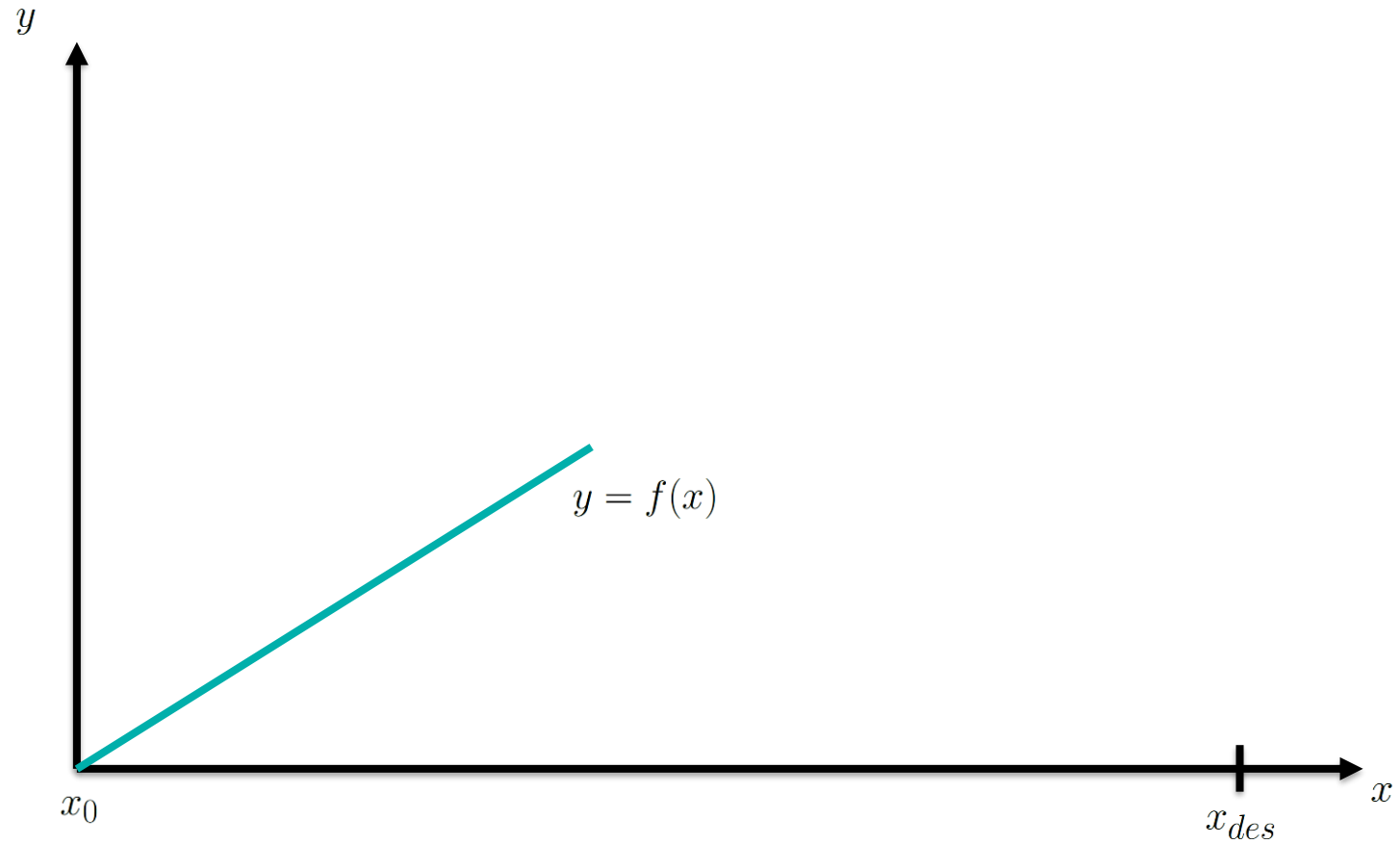
PSS

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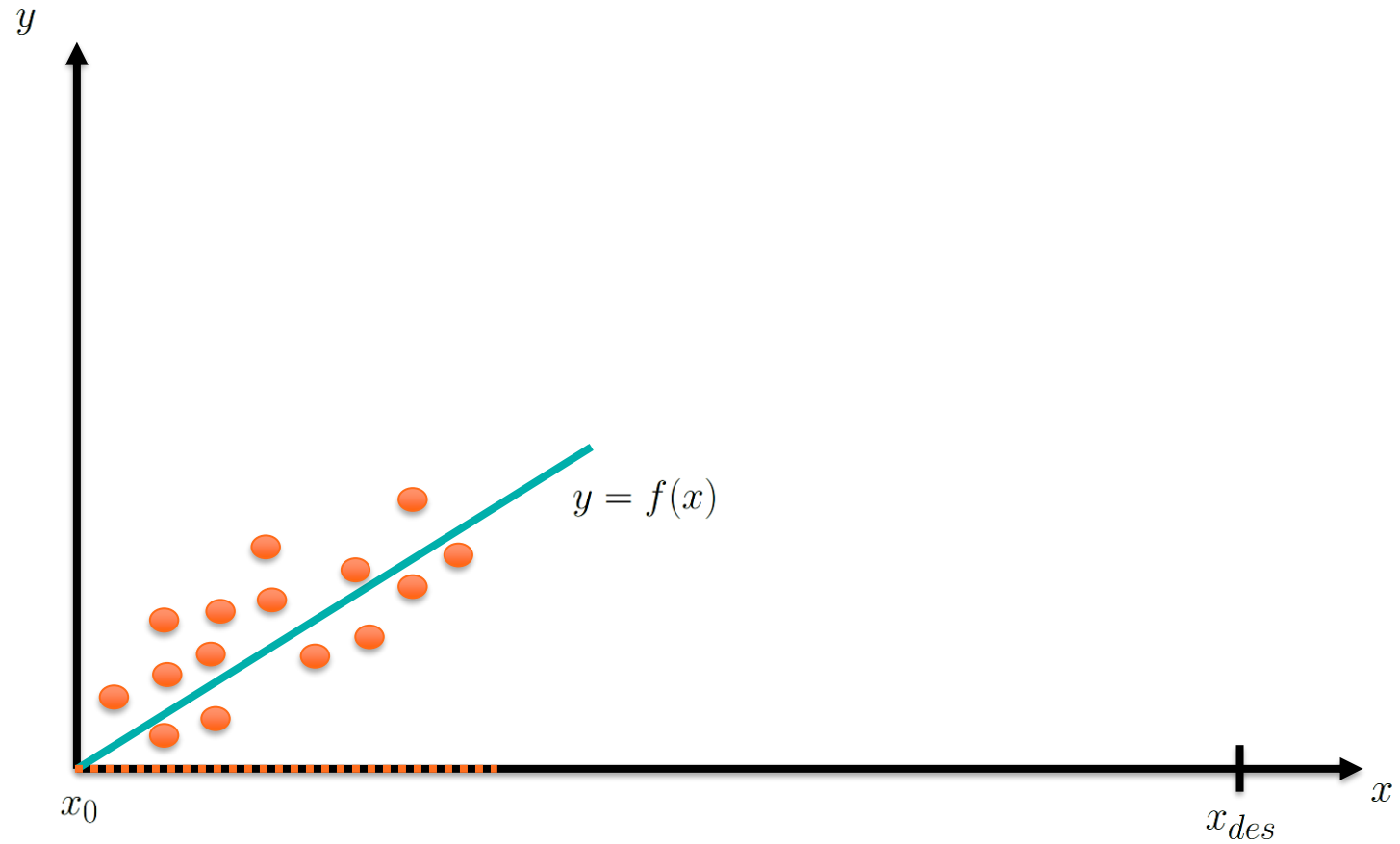
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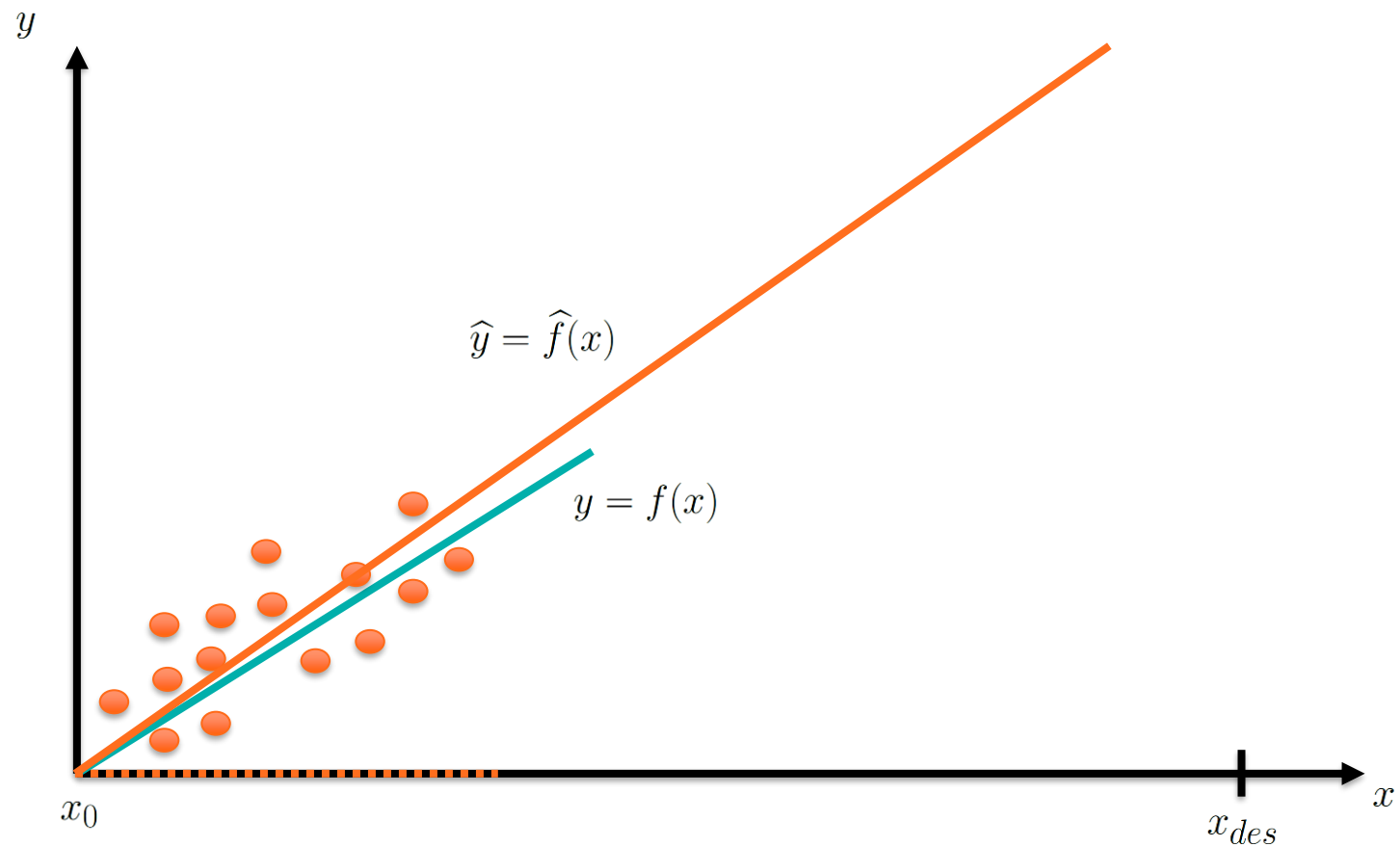
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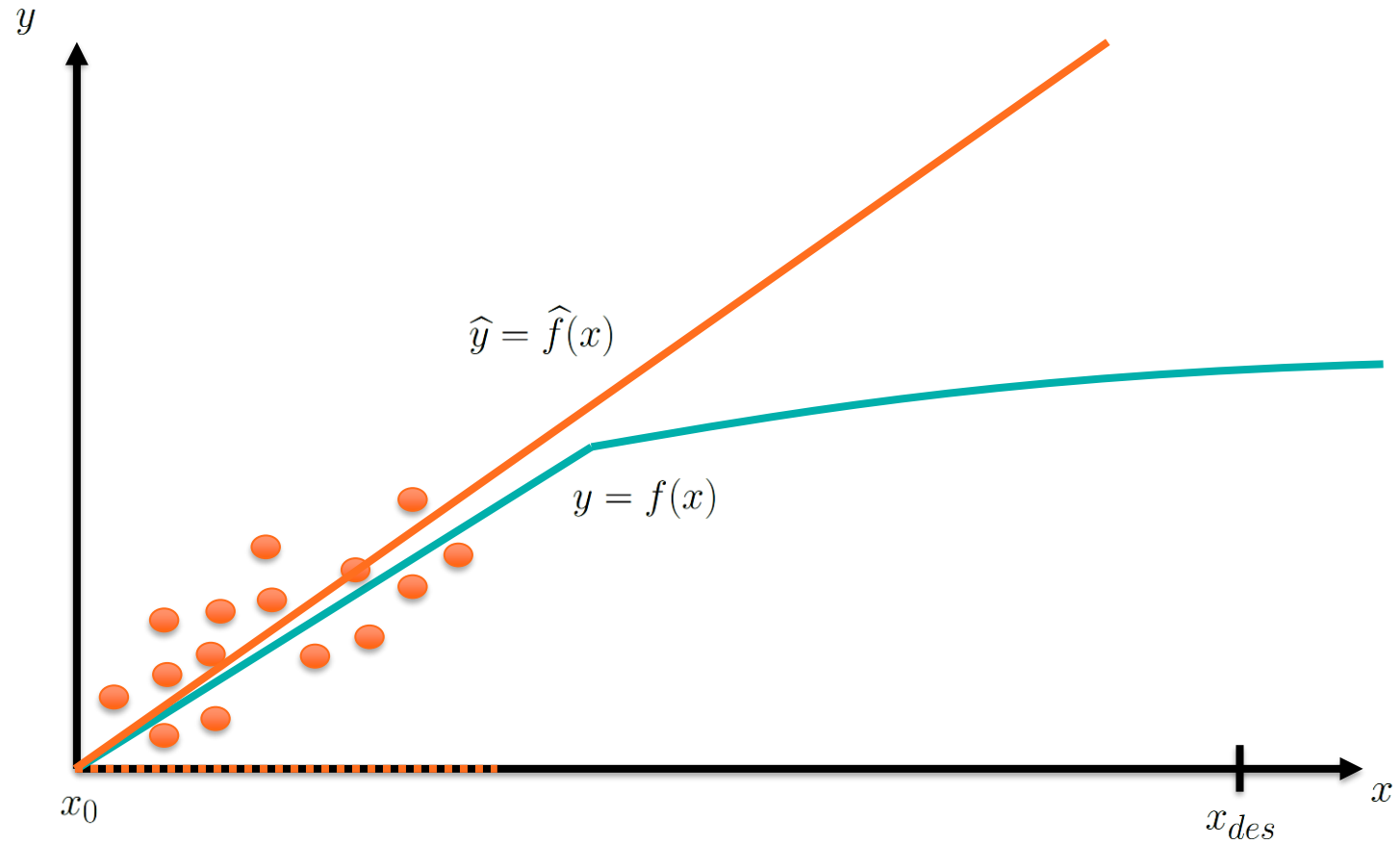
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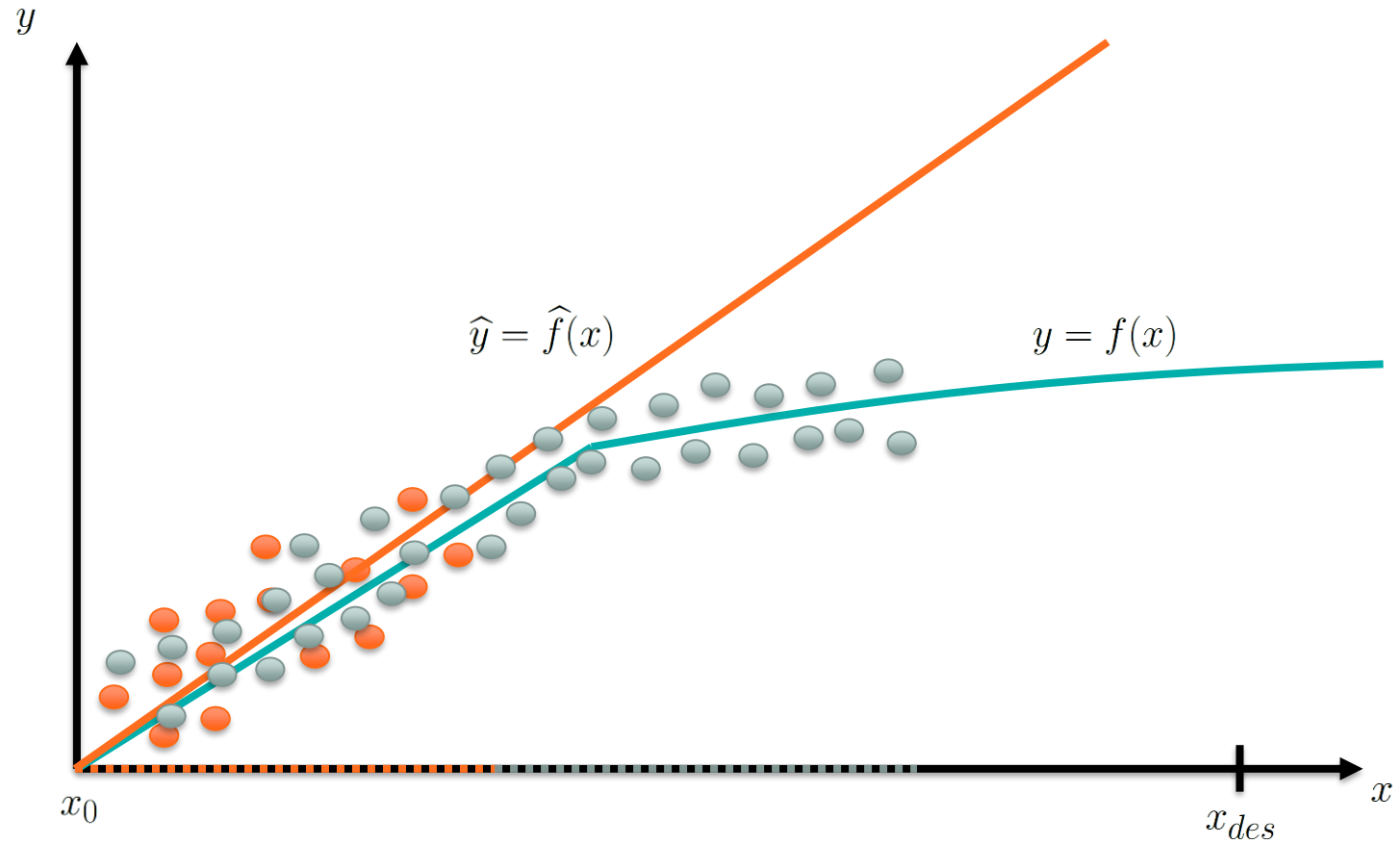
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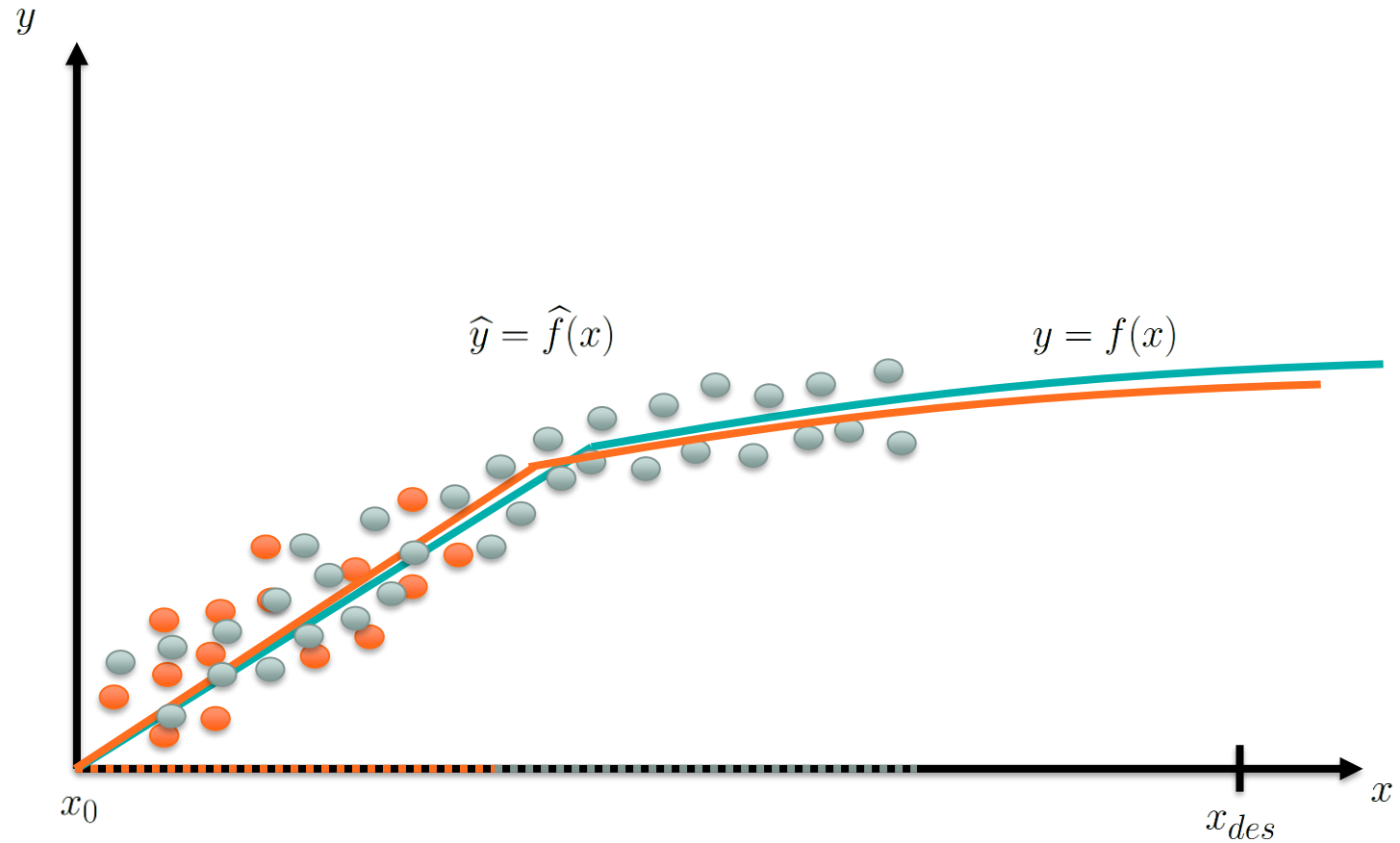
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- **Part I: Introducing the goal - “When using machine learning to reduce model uncertainty, what claims can be made on the stability of the resulting system?”**
 - Introduce nonlinear affine dynamics, introduce Lyapunov and Control Lyapunov
 - Introduce uncertain nonlinear affine dynamics, show how they lead to model and residual Lyapunov dynamics.
 - Introduce the particular learning problem of learning CLF derivative. Show what the \tilde{a} and \tilde{b} terms appear once you have estimators, and indicate that this sets up our residual error analysis.
- **Part II: Projection – to – State – Stability**
 - Write down the definition of input-to-state stability, ISS-CLFs, forward invariance that comes with ISS-CLF
 - Highlighting our preceding learning structure, show that we really want a bound on in the state in terms of the norm of the disturbance in the CLF time derivative.
 - This motivates the construction of PSS. Describe what PSS is, state Theorem 1, Eq (10) and Eq (14)
 - State Corollary 1, connect back to Theorem 1 via quick walk proof sketch (get the implication right!!!)

- Part III: Uncertainty Function + PSS
- Part IV: Results
 - Consider an inverted pendulum system. Leave the majority of the details on what exactly the learning framework is to the paper.
 - Show that the inverted pendulum tracking performance becomes quite good compared to the PD controller
 - Show the heat maps that show mild improvement in the worst case bounds.
 - The conclusion here is very important. Essentially, there is a gap between good performance and certifying theoretical guarantees. We can get good performance without learning everything. But to make stronger claims on stability, we need more principled approaches for acquiring data. This analysis gives insight into what data holds value in acquiring when it comes to building these certificates.