

Iterative Learning Model Predictive Control

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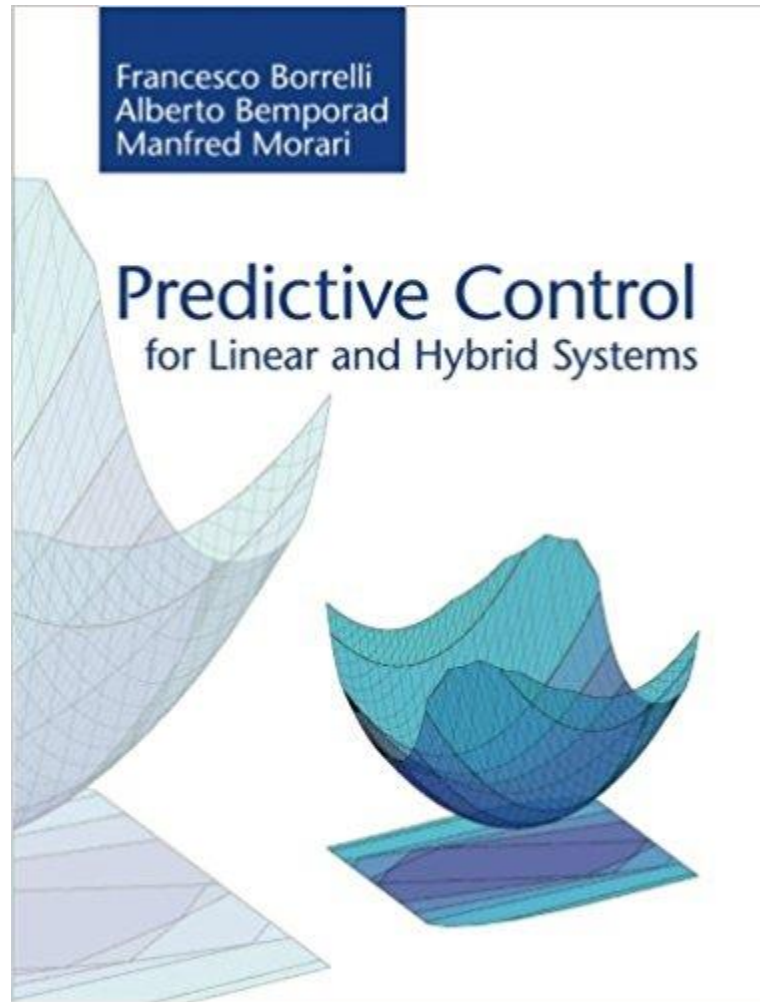
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Iterative Learning **Model Predictive Control**

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Constrained Infinite-Time Optimal Control

$$\begin{aligned} J_0^*(x(0)) &= \min_{\pi_0, \pi_1, \dots} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} h(x_k, u_k) \\ \text{s.t. } x_{k+1} &= f(x_k, u_k) \\ u_k &= \pi_k(x_k) \\ x_k &\in \mathcal{X}, u_k \in \mathcal{U}, \\ x_0 &= x(0) \end{aligned}$$

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“Solved” as..

Repeated Solution of Constrained Finite Time Optimal Control

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- $p(\cdot)$ Approximates the 'tail' of the cost
- \mathcal{X}_f Approximates the 'tail' of the constraints
- N constrained by computation and forecast uncertainty
- Robust and stochastic versions subject of current research

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Predictive Control: Theory & Computation

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Predictive Control **Classical Theory**

Predictive Control Theory:

Sufficient conditions to guarantee

- Convergence to the desired equilibrium point/region
- Constraint satisfaction at all times

$$\min_{\pi_0, \pi_1, \dots, \pi_{N-1}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} h(x_{t+k}, u_{t+k}) + p(x_{t+N})$$

Terminal cost:

Control Lyapunov function

$$\text{subj. to } \begin{cases} x_{k+1} = f(x_k, u_k) \\ u_k = \pi_k(x_k) \\ u_k \in \mathcal{U}, x_k \in \mathcal{X} \\ x_{t+N} \in \mathcal{X}_f \\ x_t = x(t) \end{cases}$$

Terminal constraint set:

Control Invariant set

Control Invariant Set

$$x_0 \in \mathcal{X}_f \rightarrow \exists u_k \in \mathcal{U} : f(x_k, u_k) \in \mathcal{X}_f \quad \forall k > 0$$

Control Lyapunov Function

$$\min_{u \in \mathcal{U}, f(x, u) \in \mathcal{X}_f} (p(f(x, u)) - p(x) + h(x, v)) \leq 0, \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{X}_f$$

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Predictive Control **Computation**

Offline $\pi(\cdot)$ and Online $\pi(x)$ Computation

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{\pi_0(\cdot), \pi_1(\cdot), \dots, \pi_{N-1}(\cdot)} J_{0 \rightarrow N}(x_0, \Pi) \\ & \text{subj. to } \begin{cases} x_{k+1} = f(x_k, u_k, w_k) \\ u_k = \pi_k(x_k) \\ u_k \in \mathcal{U}, x_k \in \mathcal{X}, \quad \forall w_k \in \mathcal{W} \end{cases} \\ & k = 0, \dots, N-1 \end{aligned}$$

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Option 1 (*Offline Based*): “Complex” Offline, “Simple” Online

- $\pi_0(\cdot)$ often piecewise constant or affine disturbance feedback
- Dynamic Programming is one choice
- Sampling model reduction/aggregation required for $n > 5$

Option 2 (*Online Based*): “Simple” Offline, “Complex” Online

- Compute on-line $\pi_0(x(t))$ with a “sophisticated” algorithm
- Interior point method solver is one choice
- Convexification required for real-time embedded control

Major effort over the past 20 years for enlarging MPC application domain

A very biased story

- Online Based
 - Excellent, (non-) convex open-source solvers
 - Tailored solvers for embedded linear and nonlinear MPC
- Offline Based
 - For linear and piecewise linear systems: explicit MPC
- Mixing pre-computation and online-optimization
- Suboptimal MPC
- Fast Online Implementation on embedded FPGA, GPU
- Analog MPC: microsecond sampling time

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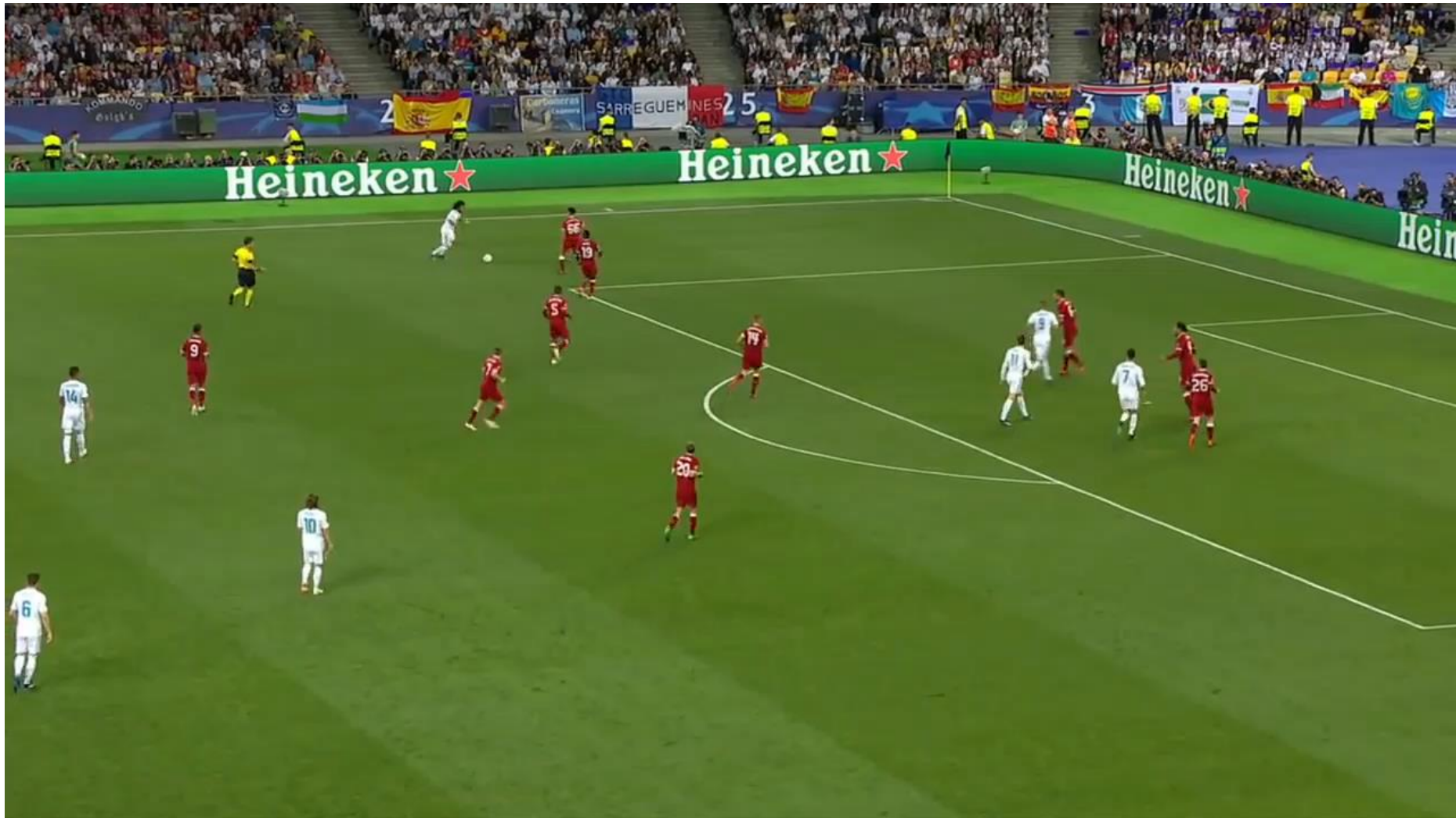
Three Forms of Learning

1 - Skill acquisition



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2 - Performance Improvement



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3 - Computation Load Reduction



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Practice in order to:

Acquire a Skill

Improve Performance

Reduce Computational Load



Learning from demonstration
Transfer learning
Learning from simulations

Iterative Learning

Computational load
reduction of control policy

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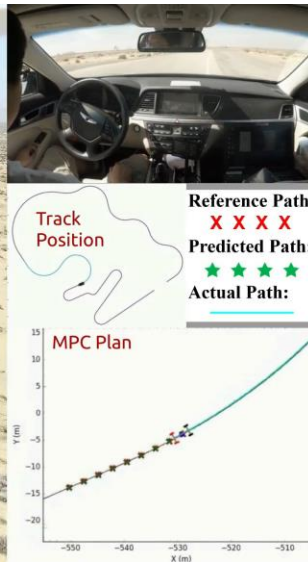
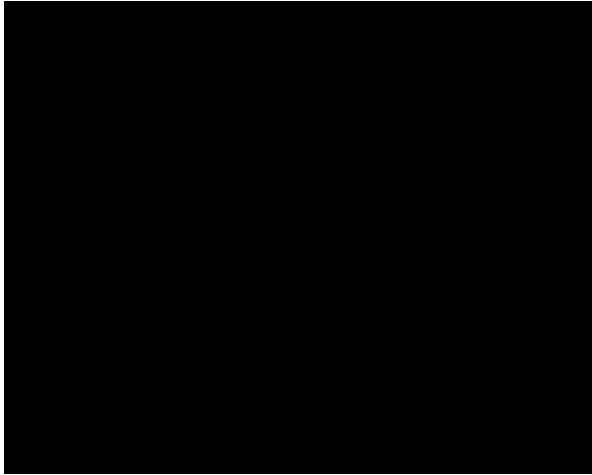
Computational reduction
of control policy



Learning MPC Applied to Robo-Cars

(instead of robo-soccer players..)

Autonomous Cars @MPC Lab



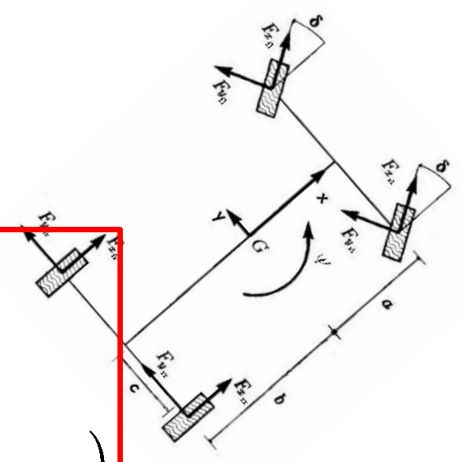
Autonomous Vehicles- Motion Control Through:



Hyundai Genesis G70

- Acceleration, Braking, Steering
- Also:
 - 4 braking torques
 - Gear Ratio
 - Engine torque + front and rear distribution
 - 4 dampers for active suspensions

Useful Model Abstraction



- Nonlinear Dynamical System

$$\ddot{x} = \dot{y}\dot{\psi} + \frac{1}{m} \sum_i F_{x_i}$$

$$\ddot{y} = -\dot{x}\dot{\psi} + \frac{1}{m} \sum_i F_{y_i}$$

$$\ddot{\psi} = \frac{1}{I_z} (a(F_{y_{1,2}}) - b(F_{y_{2,3}}) + c(-F_{x_{1,3}} + F_{x_{2,4}}))$$

$$\dot{X} = \dot{x} \cos \psi - \dot{y} \sin \psi, \quad \dot{Y} = \dot{x} \sin \psi + \dot{y} \cos \psi$$

- Static Nonlinearities: Tires

$$F_y = f_y(\alpha, \sigma, \mu, F_z) \quad \text{and} \quad \sqrt{F_x^2 + F_y^2} \leq mg$$

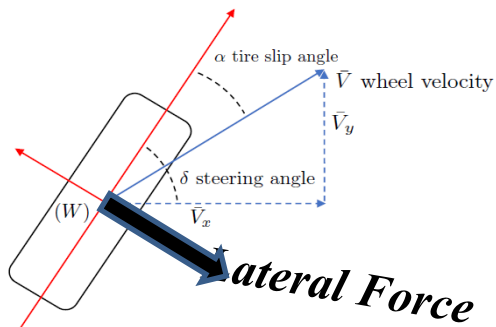
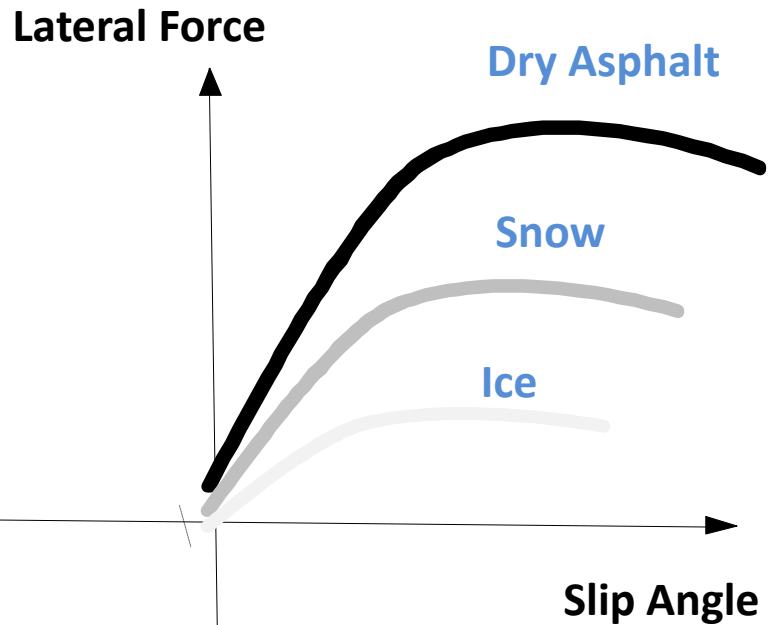
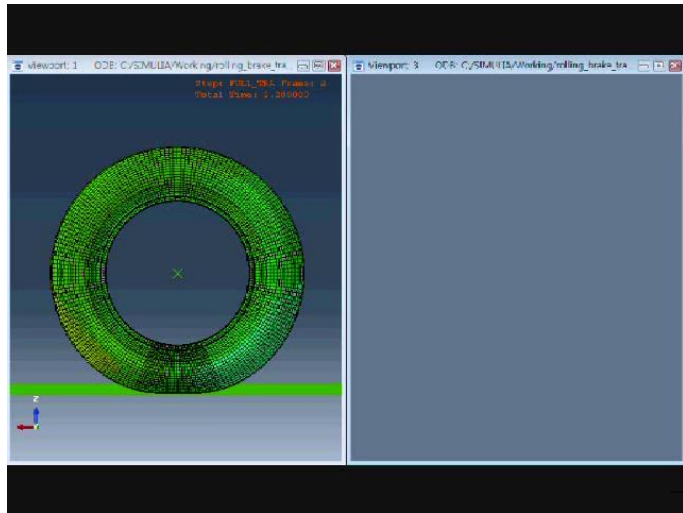
$$F_x = f_x(\alpha, \sigma, \mu, F_z)$$

- Inequality Constraints: Safety region

- Uncertain Tire Model, Road Friction, Obstacles

Tires and Road

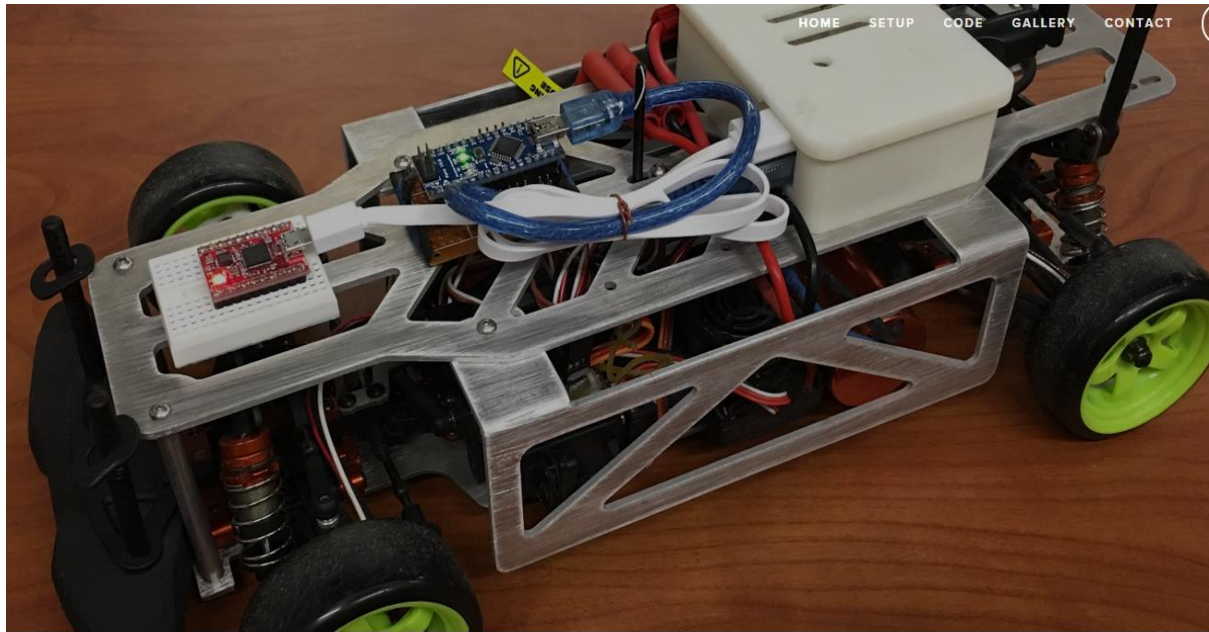
Simplified **Nonlinear** Model



$$\sqrt{F_x^2 + F_y^2} \leq \mu mg$$

Berkeley Autonomous 1/10 Race Car Project

www.barc-project.com



RC Car Racing Meets Cloud Computing

- Complete Open Source
- Ubuntu, RoS, OpenCV, Julia, IPOPT
- Camera, IMU, Ultrasounds, LIDAR
- Cloud-Based

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1 - Skill acquisition



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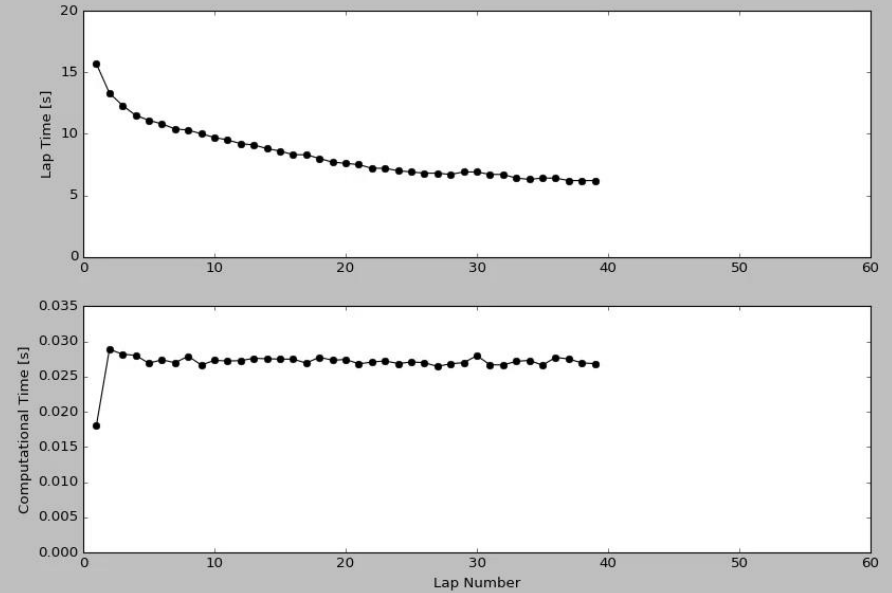
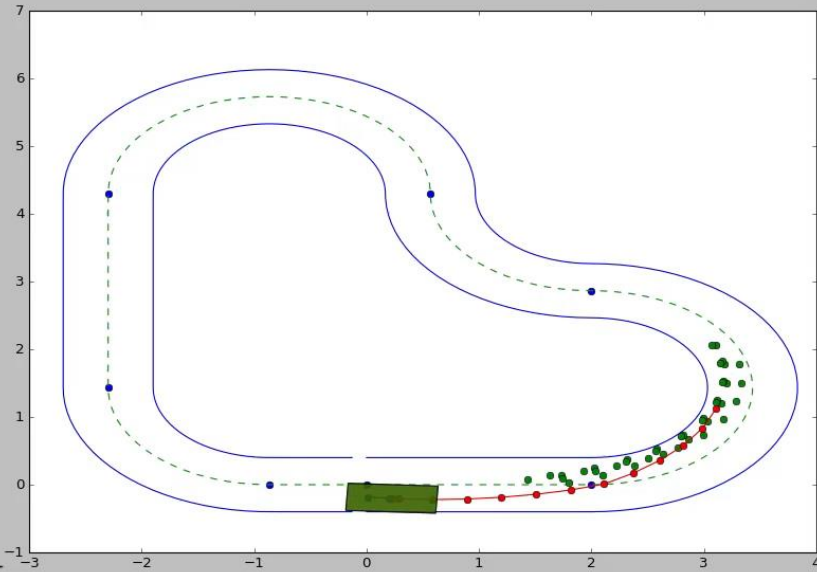
2 - Performance Improvement

INITIALIZATION

Three Forms of Learning

3 - Computation Load Reduction

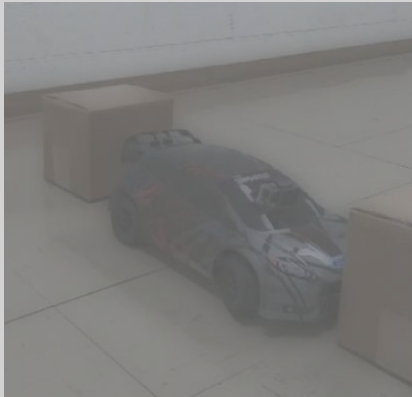
Lap Time at each iteration



Average CPU Load at each iteration

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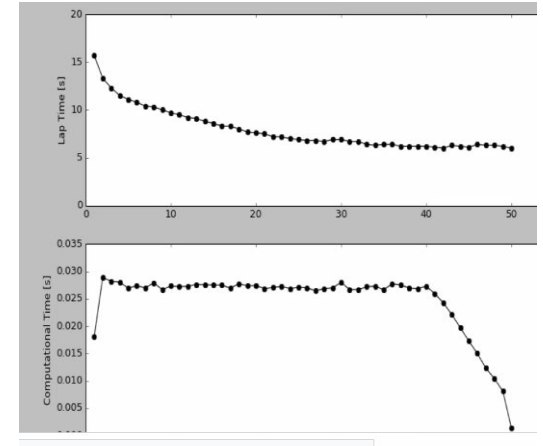
Acquire a Skill



Improve Performance



Reduce Computational Load



How we do this?

Model Predictive Control

A Simple Idea (which exploits the iterative nature of the tasks)

Important Design Steps

Iterative Learning Model Predictive Control

Iterative Tasks - Problem Setup

- One task execution referred to as “iteration” or “episode”
- Same initial and terminal state at each iteration
- Notation:

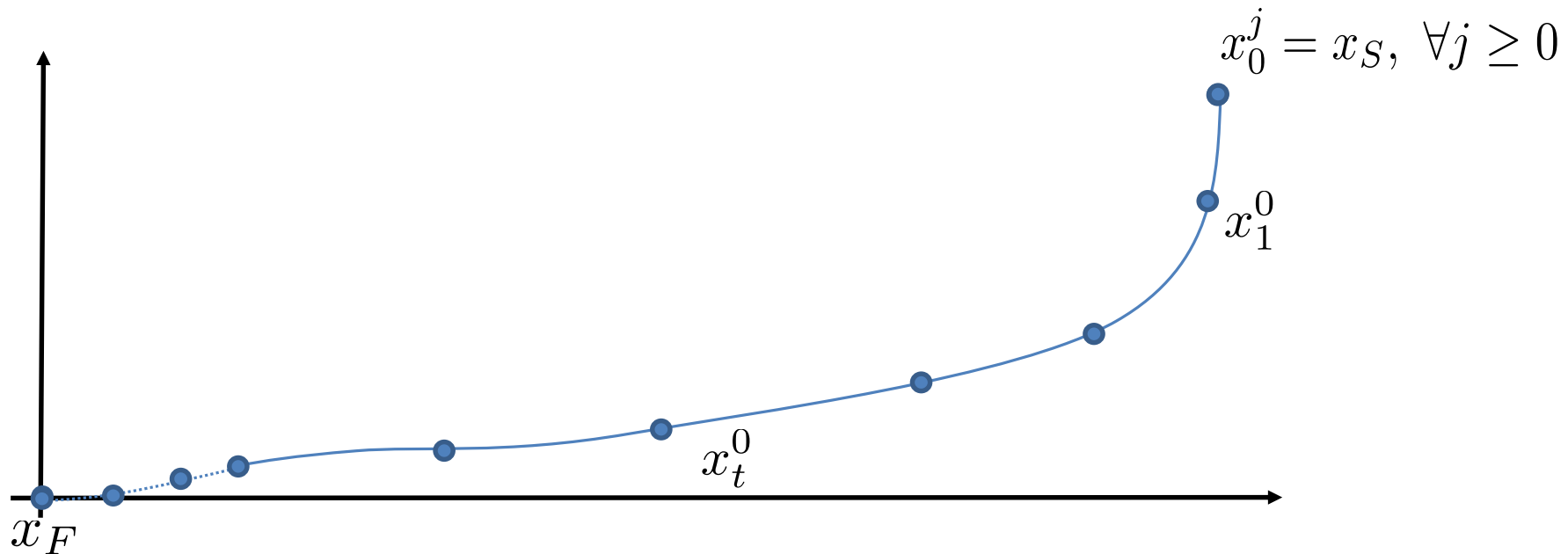
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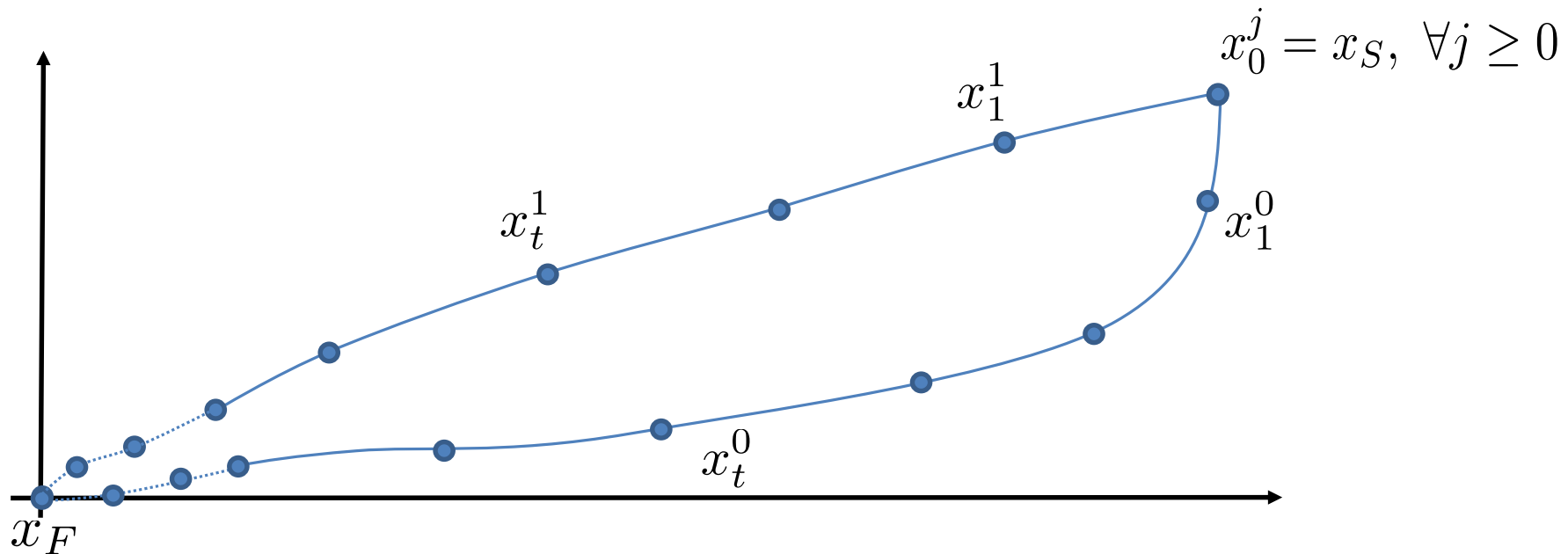
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Iterative Learning MPC

Incorporating data in advanced model based controller

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$$x_{t+N|t} \in \mathcal{SS}^{j-1},$$

Learned from data

Goal

- **Safety guarantees:**

Constraint satisfaction at iteration $j \rightarrow$ satisfaction at iteration $j+1$

- **Performance improvement guarantees:**

Closed loop cost at iteration $j+1 \leq$ cost at iteration j

Learning MPC

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Learned from data

Simplification (general case later)

- Known/nominal model
- Infinite Horizon Task
- Uncertainty and model adaptation later (and at this conference)

Learning Model Predictive Control (LMPC)

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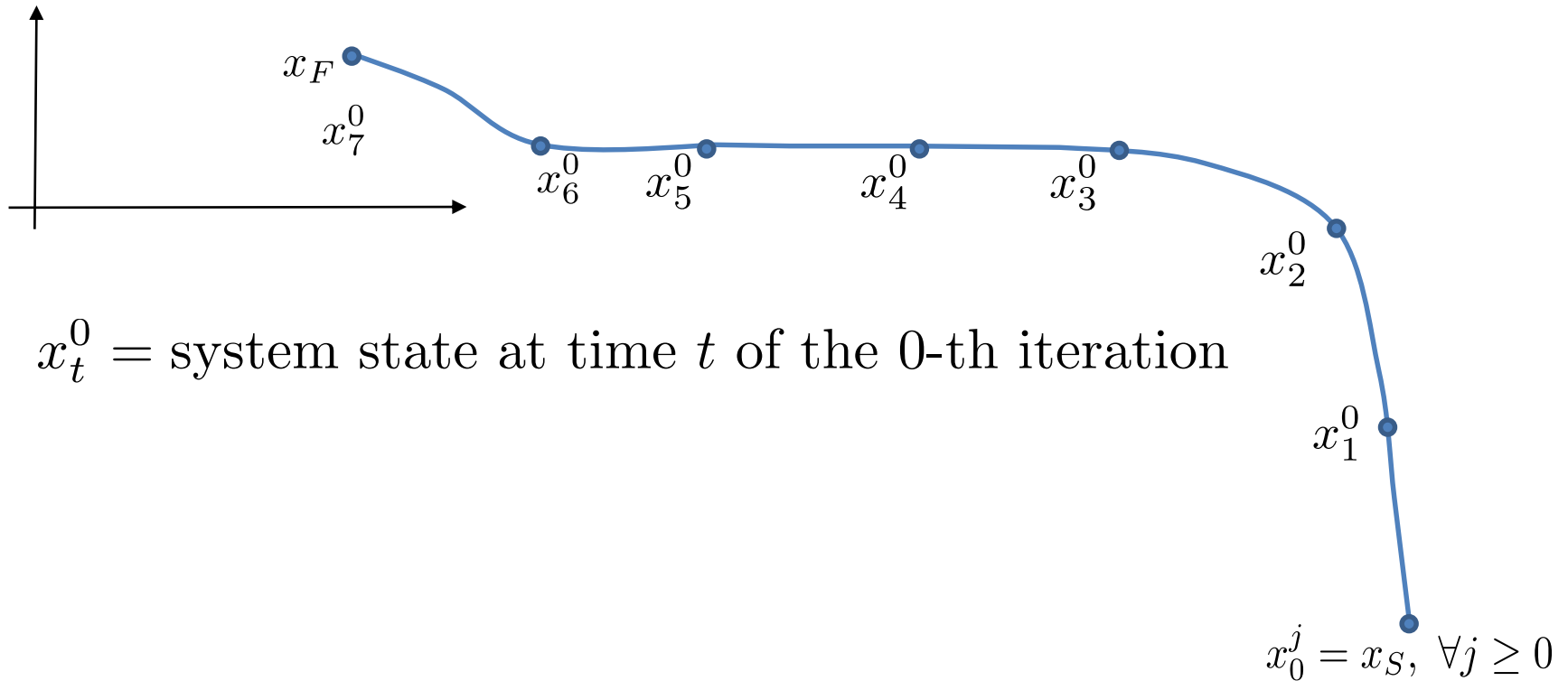
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- Recursive feasibility
- Iterative feasibility

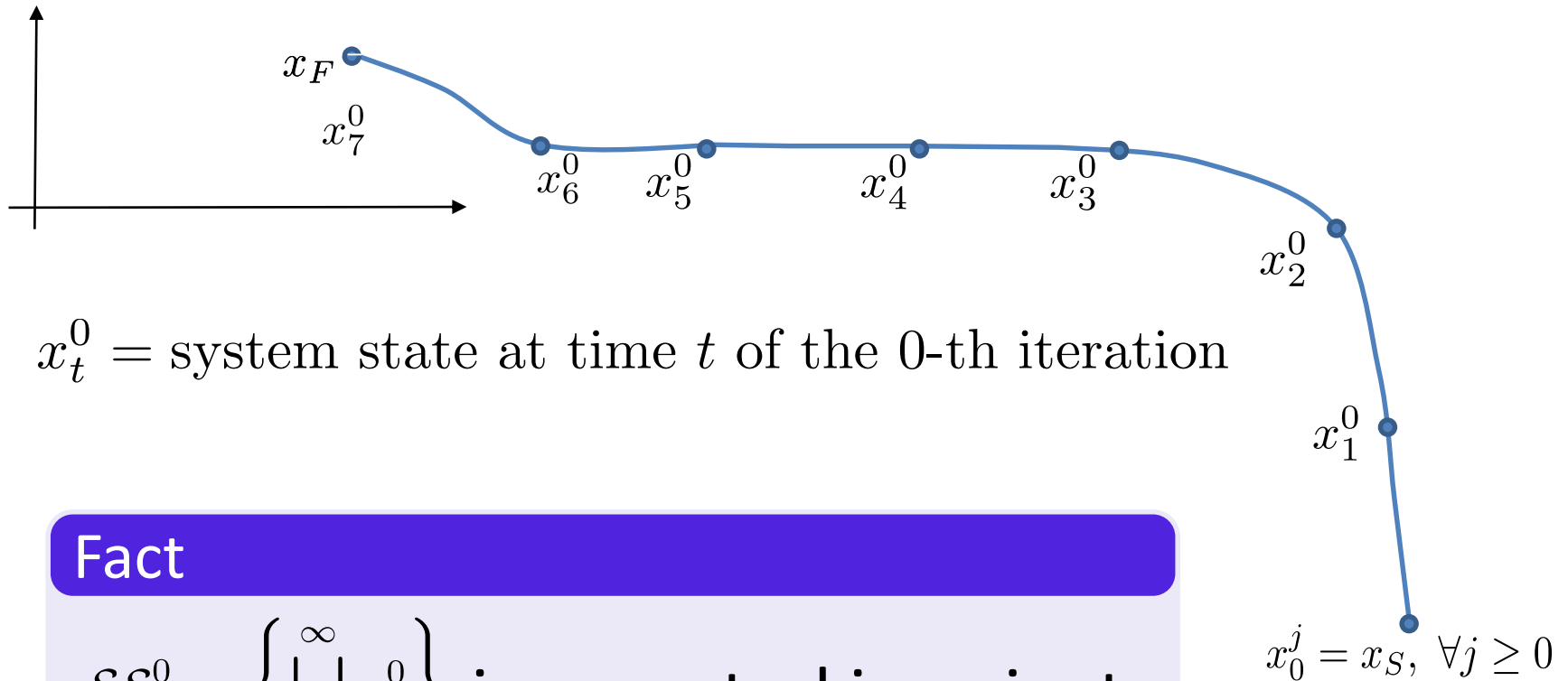
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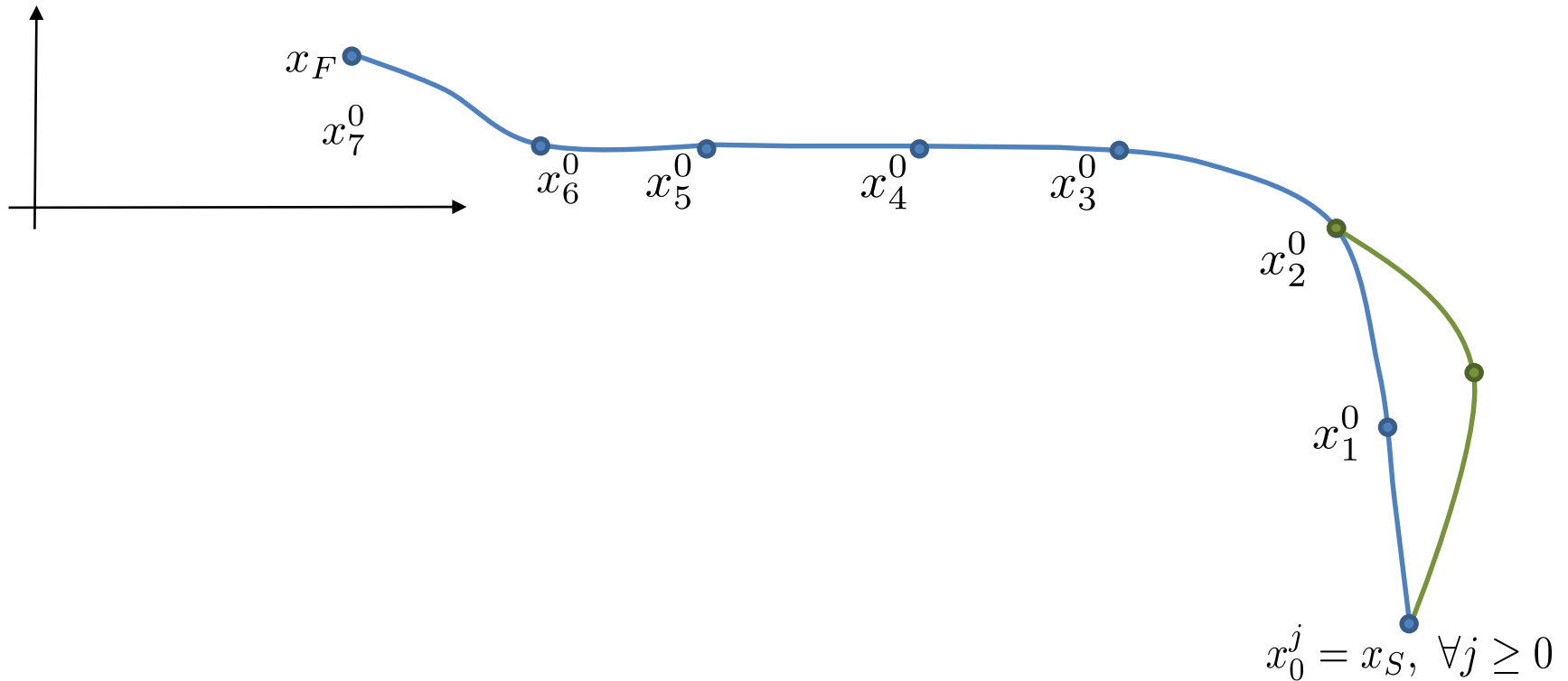
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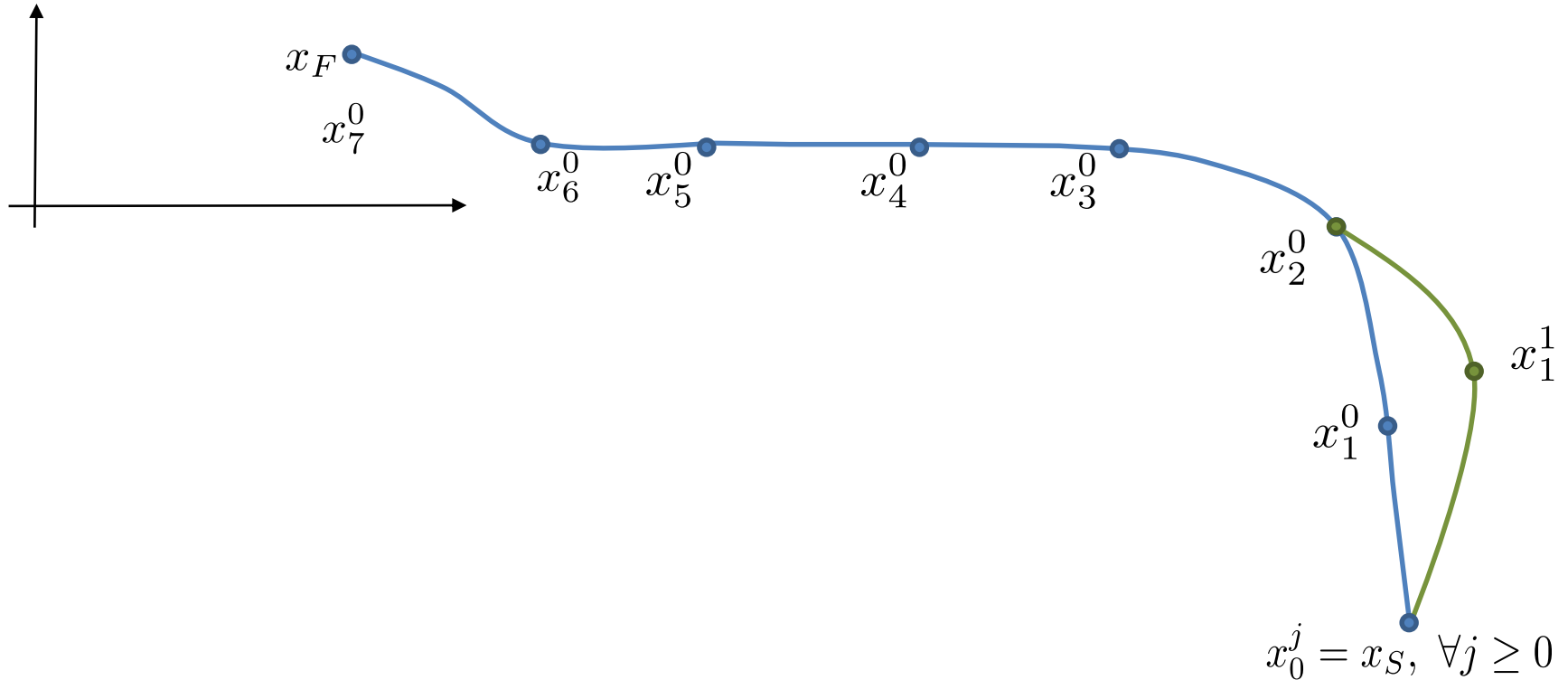
Iteration 1, Step 0

Use SS^0 as terminal set at Iteration 1



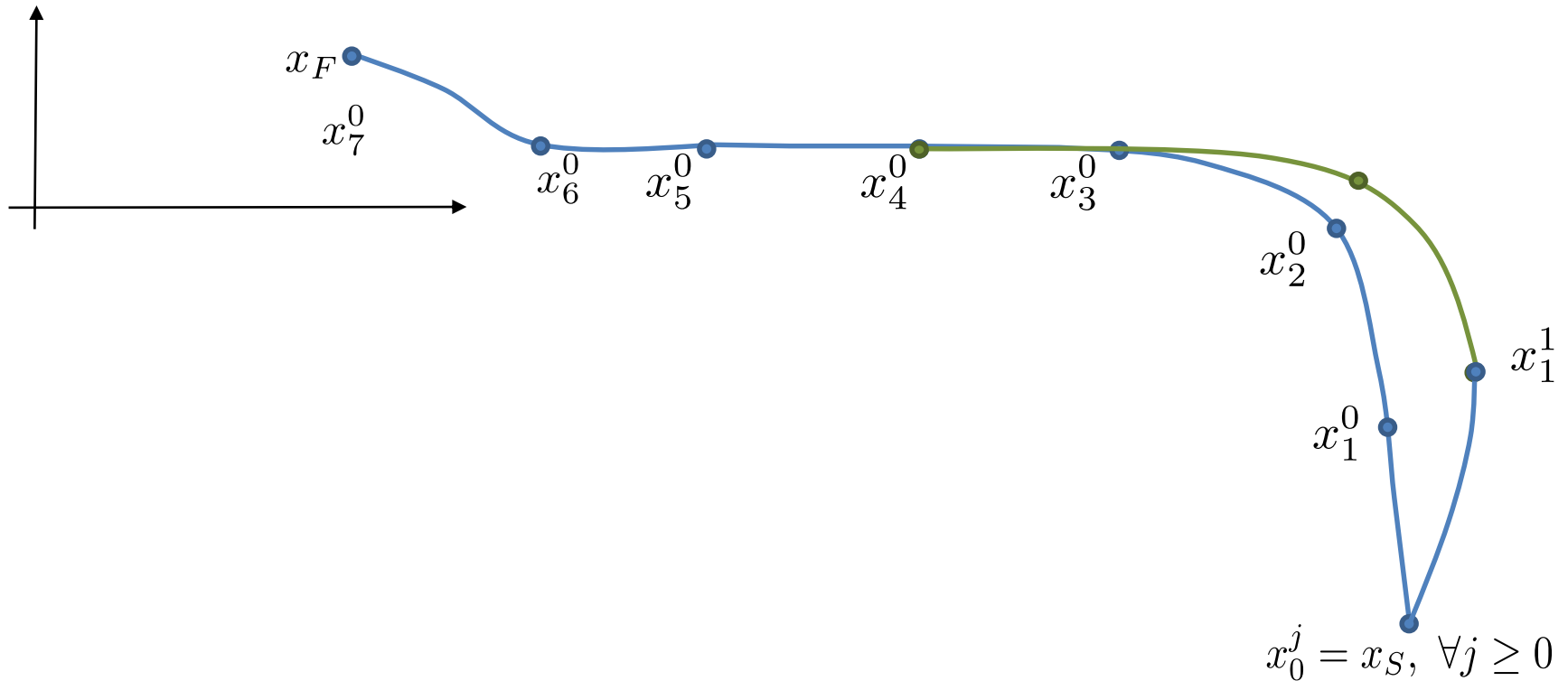
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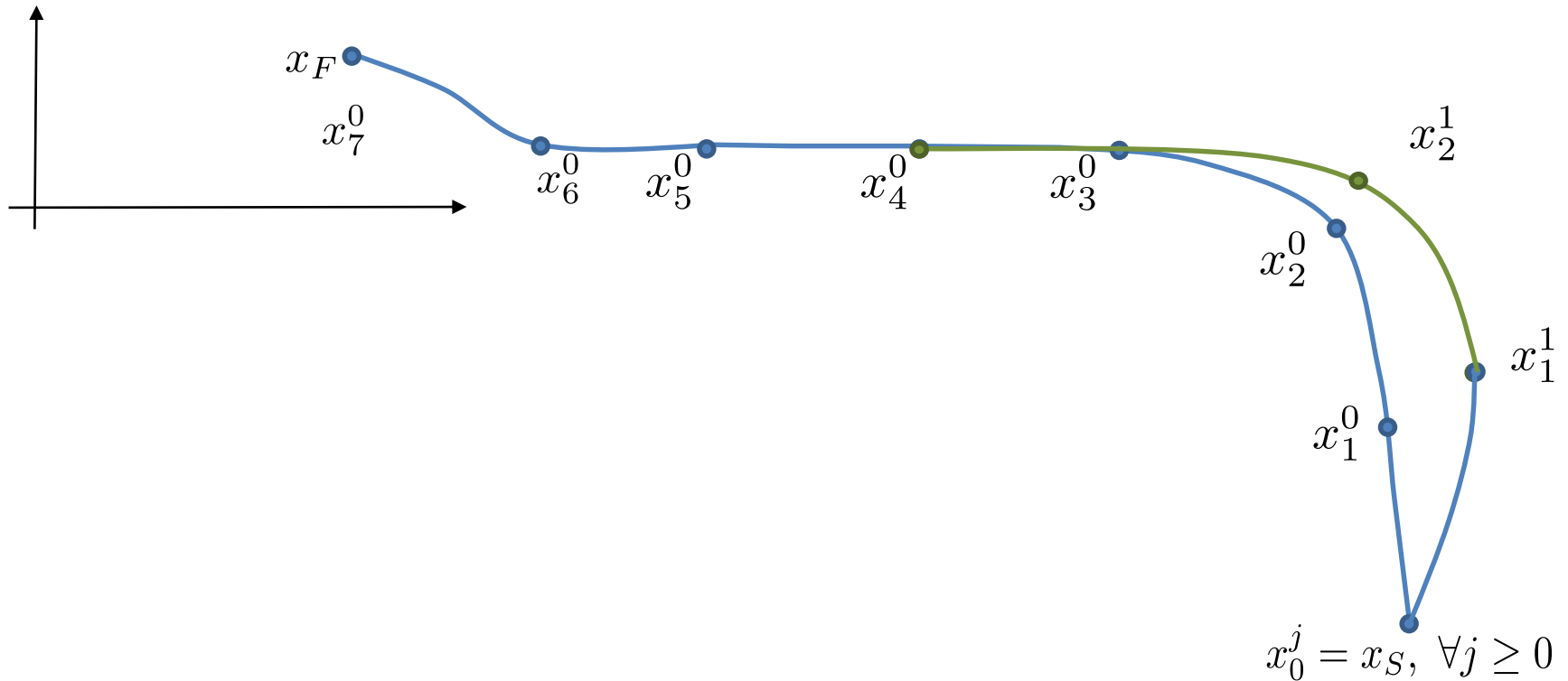
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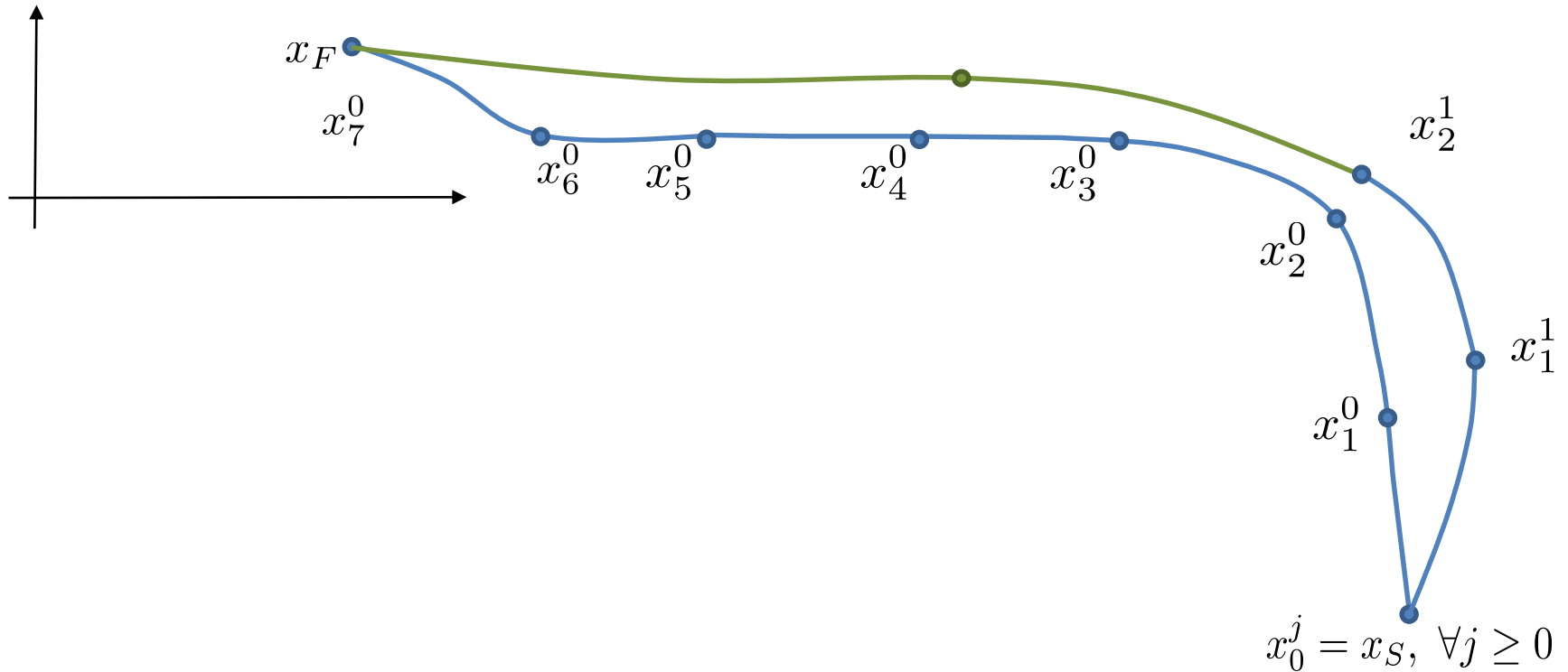
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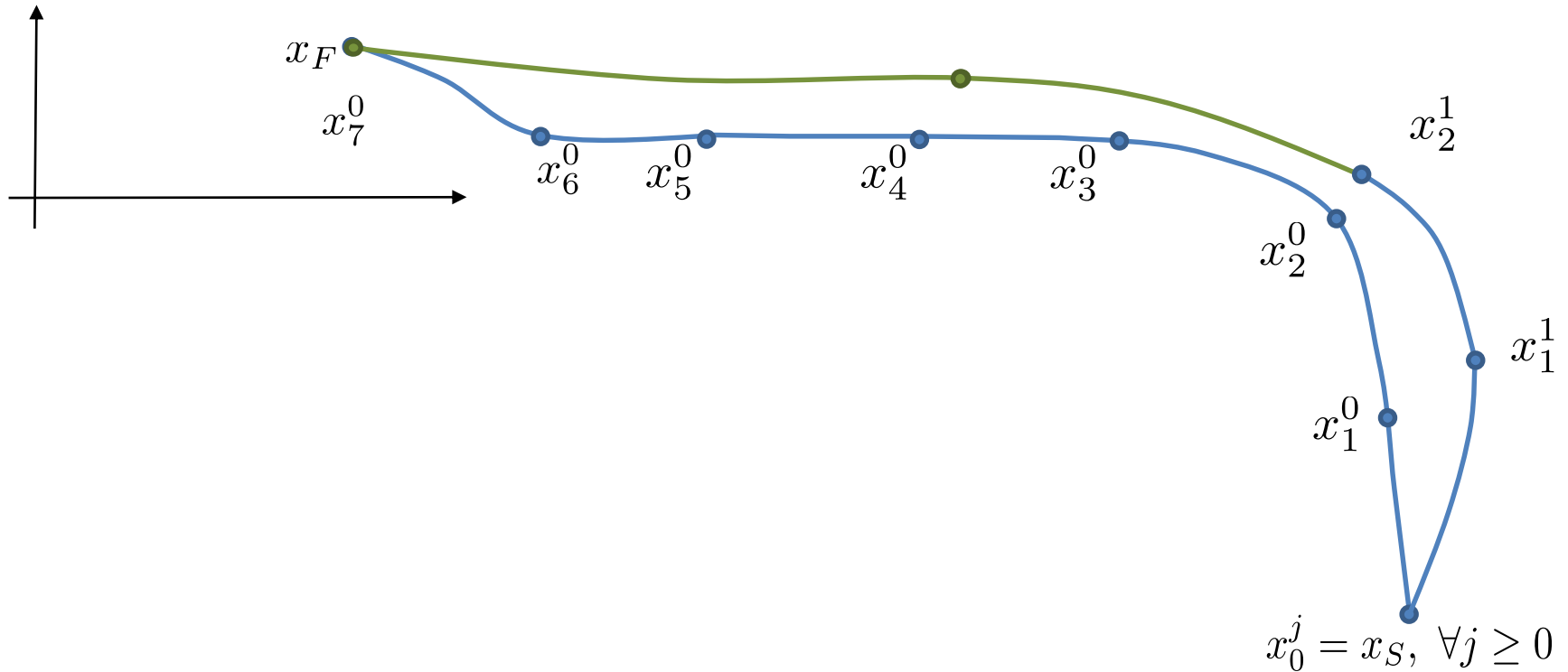
Iteration 1, Step 2

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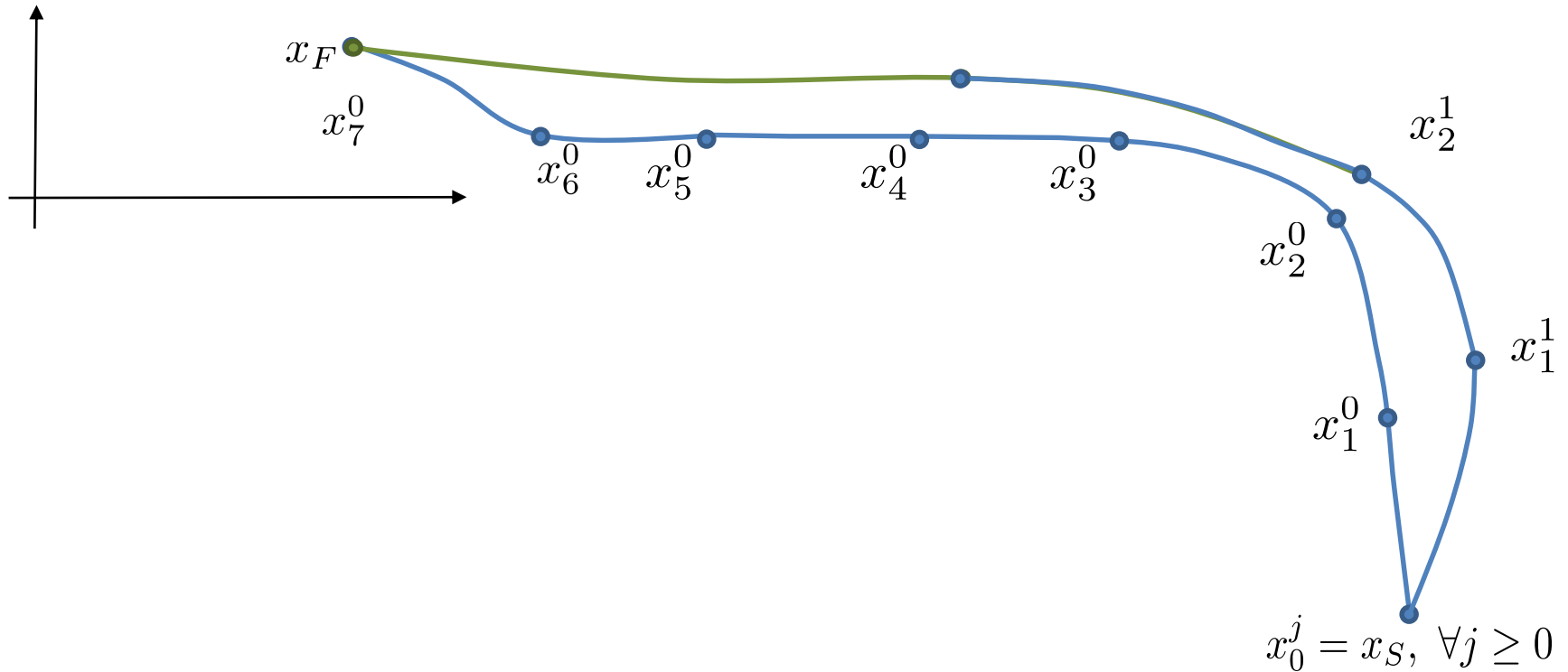
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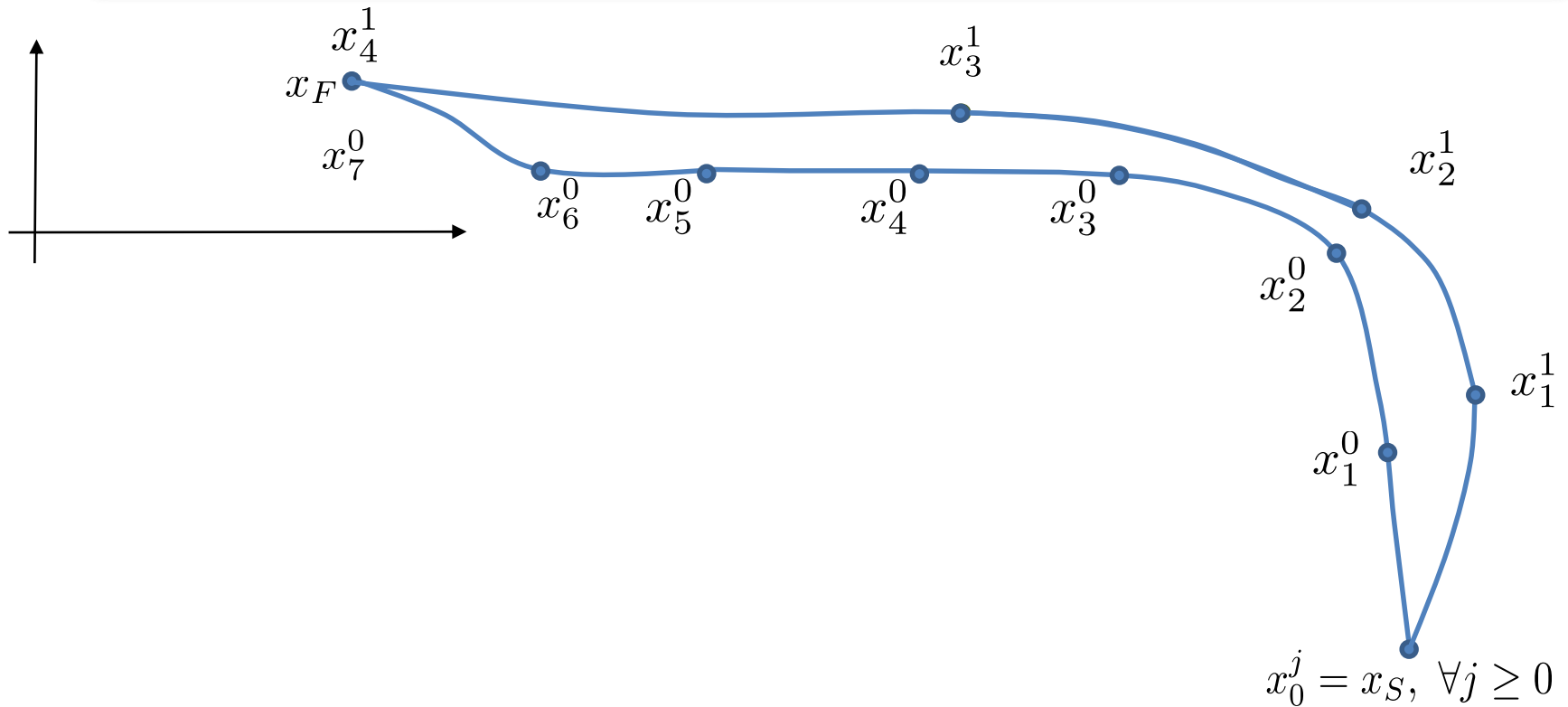
Iteration 1, Step 3

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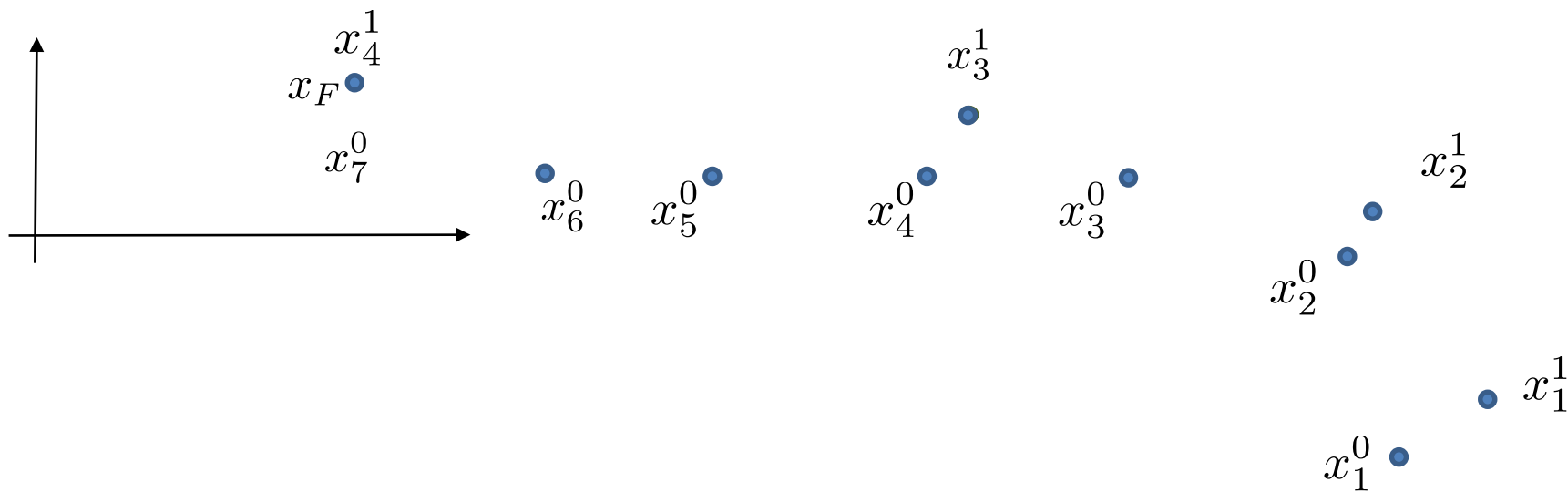


Iteration 1, Step 4

Use SS^0 as terminal set at Iteration 1



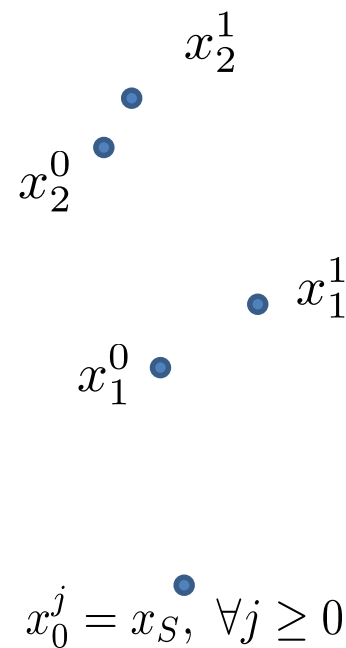
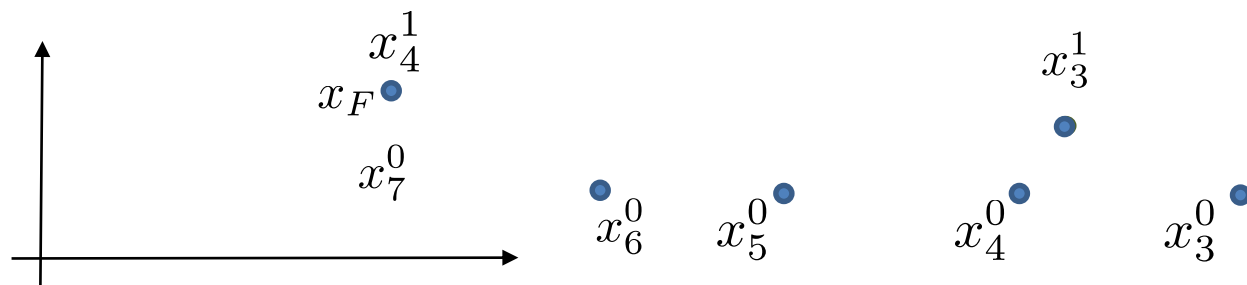
Iteration 2 Safe Set



$$\mathcal{SS}^0 = \left\{ \bigcup_{t=0}^{\infty} x_t^0 \right\} \quad \mathcal{SS}^1 = \left\{ \bigcup_{j=0}^1 \bigcup_{t=0}^{\infty} x_t^j \right\} \quad \mathcal{SS}^1 \supset \mathcal{SS}^0$$

$$x_0^j = x_S, \quad \forall j \geq 0$$

Constructing the terminal set

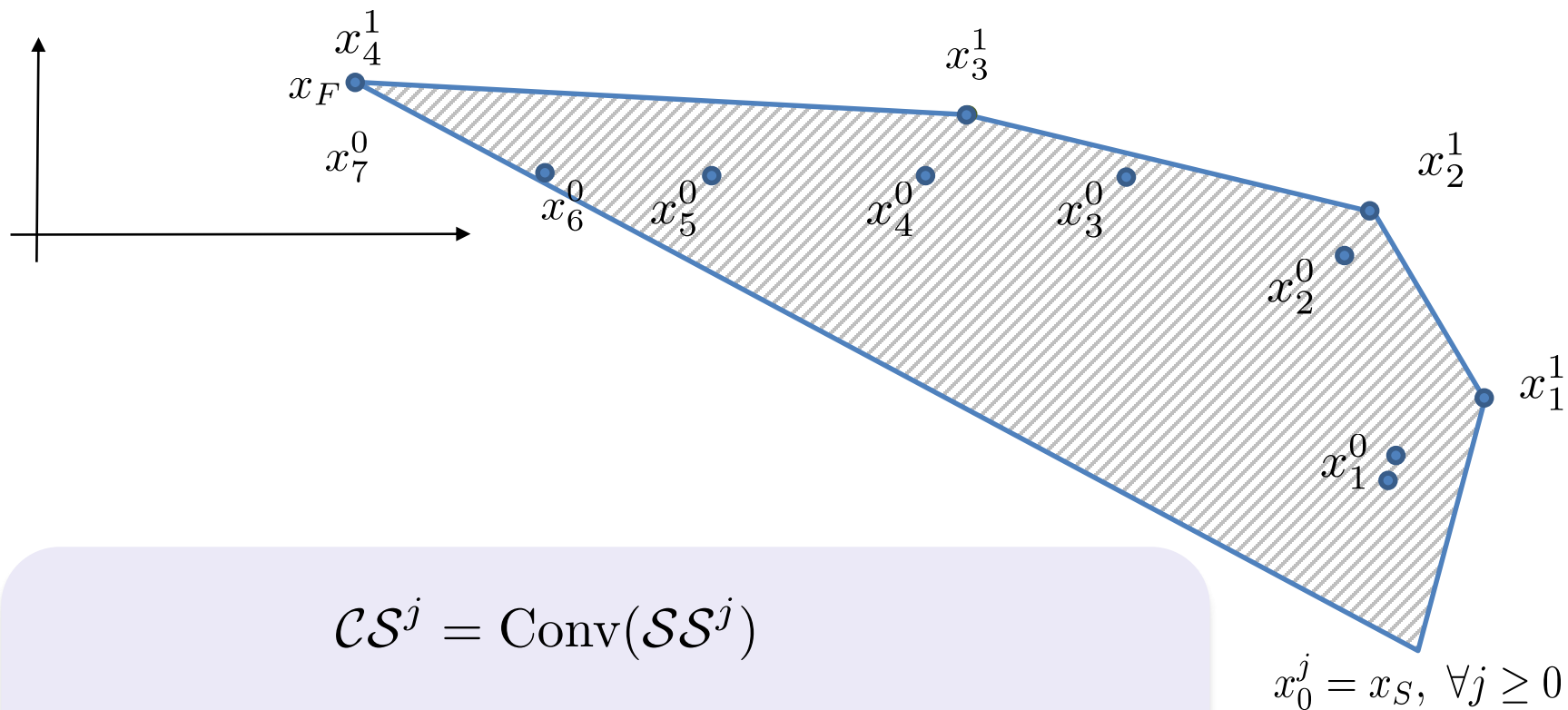


$$\mathcal{SS}^j = \left\{ \bigcup_{i \in M^j} \bigcup_{t=0}^{\infty} x_t^i \right\}$$

$$M^j = \left\{ k \in [0, j] : \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x_t^k = x_F \right\}$$

$$x_0^j = x_S, \forall j \geq 0$$

Terminal Set : Convex all of Sample Safe Set



$$\mathcal{CS}^j = \text{Conv}(\mathcal{SS}^j)$$

for Constrained Linear Dynamical Systems
is a Control Invariant Set

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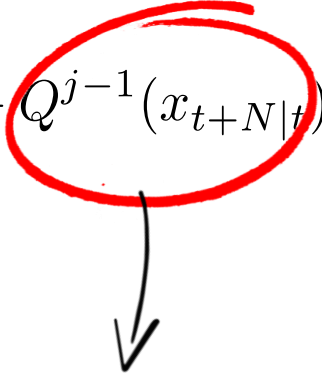
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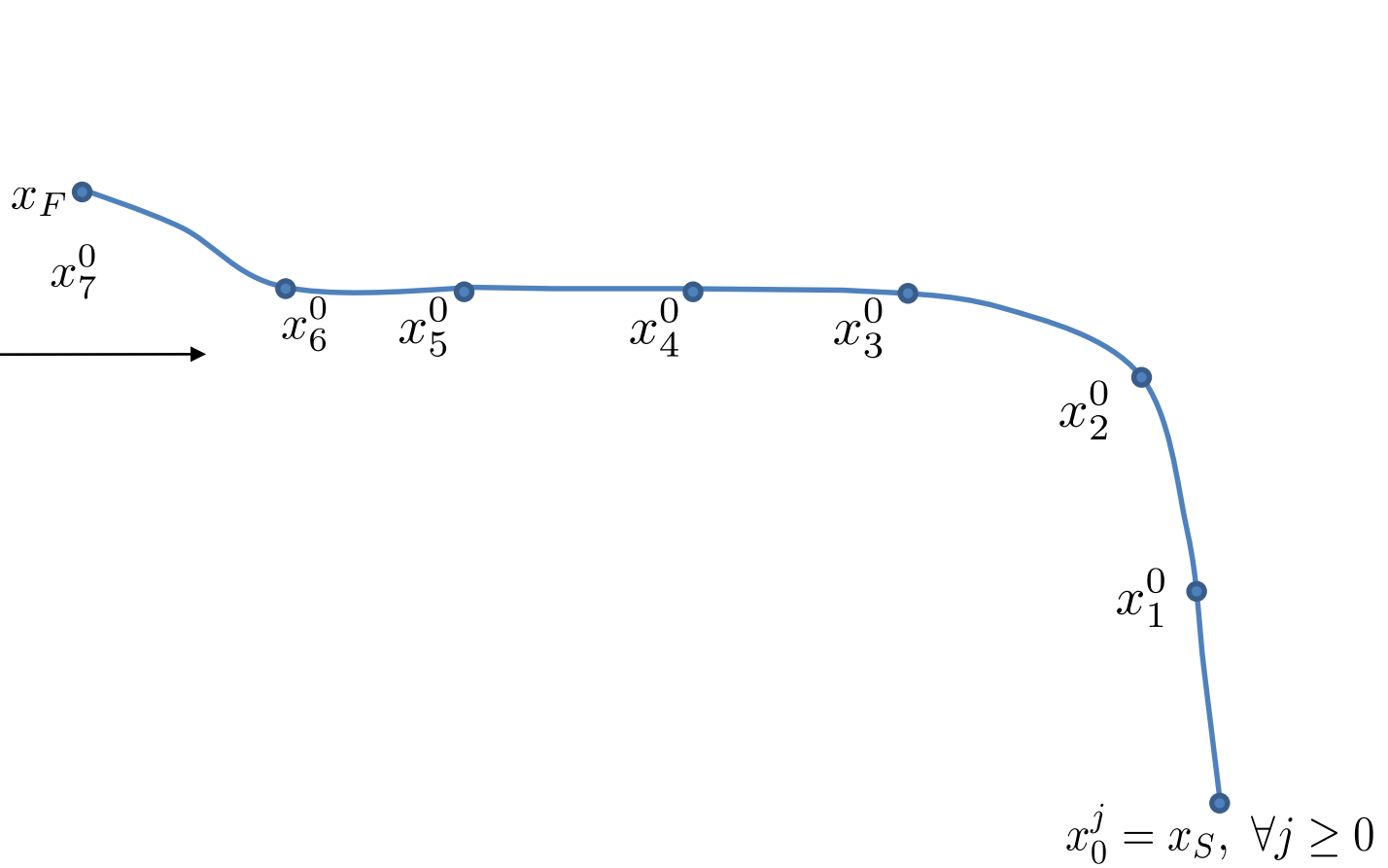
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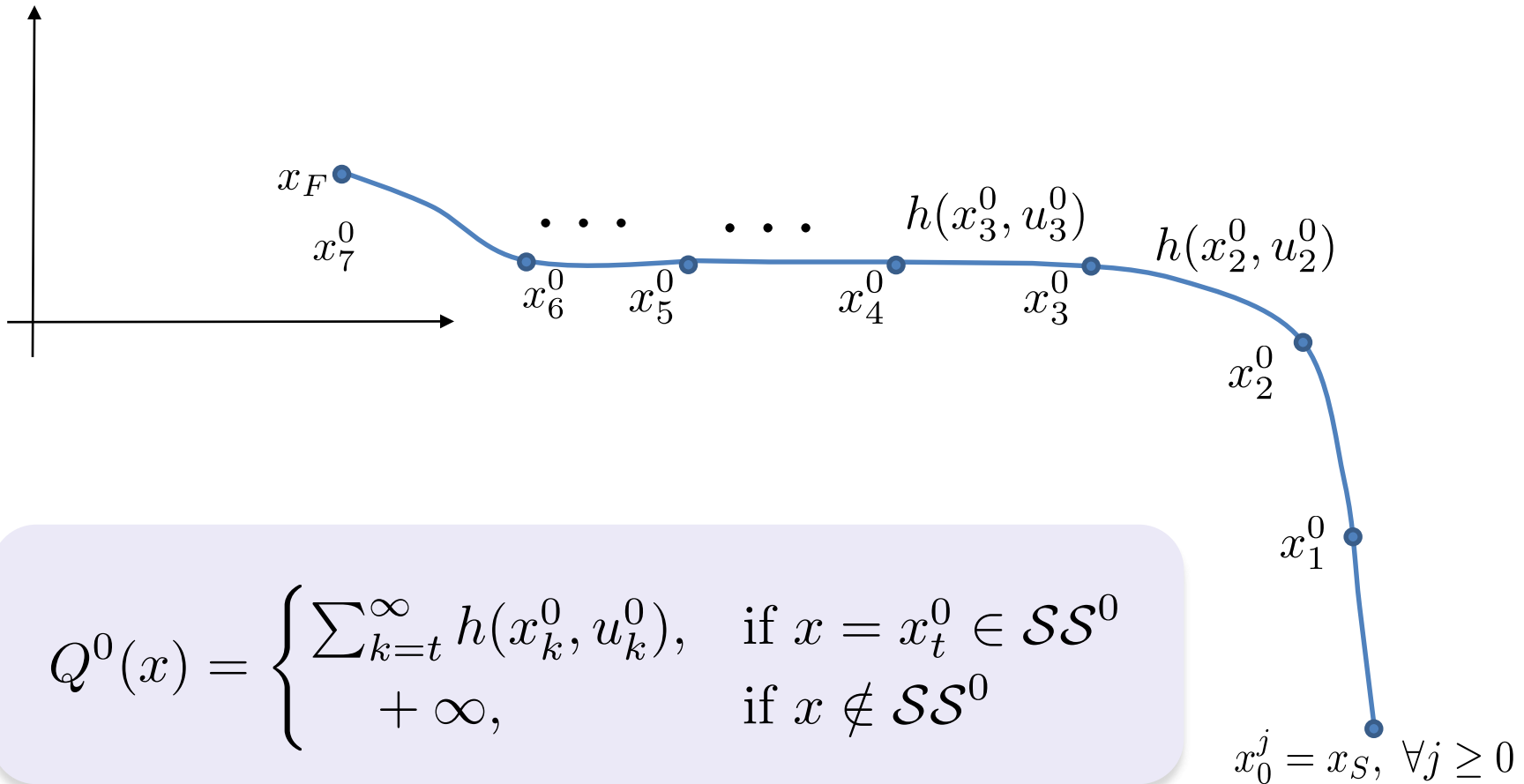
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- **Convergence**
 - **Performance improvement**
 - **Local optimality**

Terminal Cost at Iteration 0



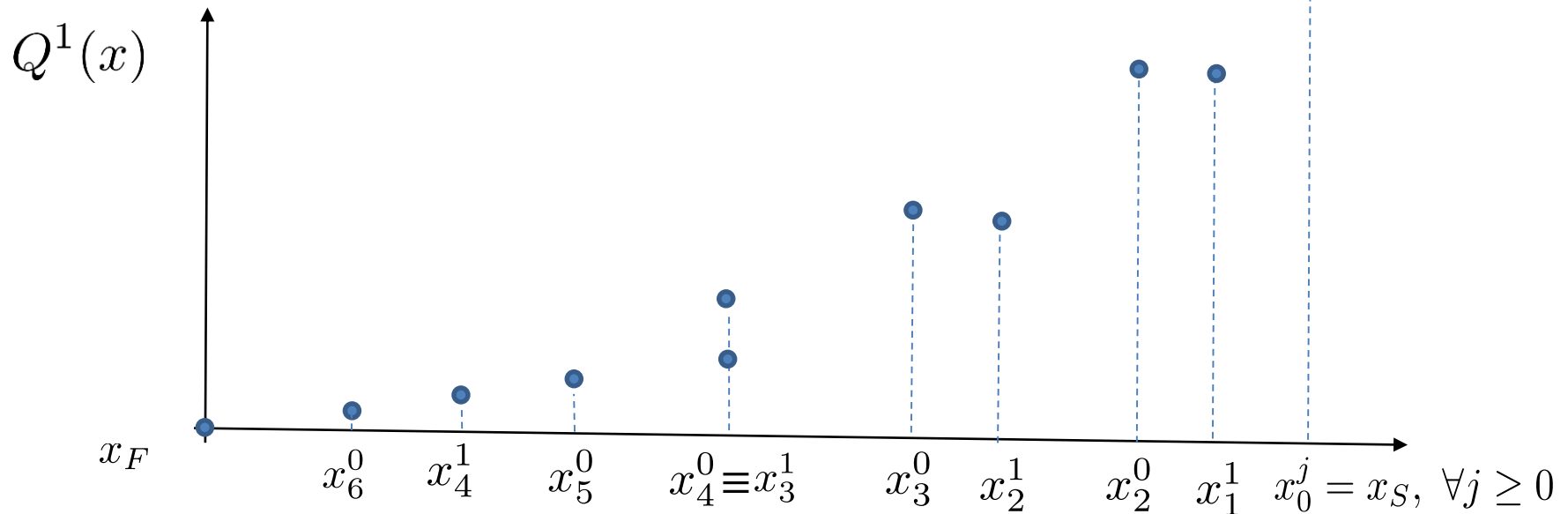
Terminal Cost at Iteration 0



$$Q^0(x) = \begin{cases} \sum_{k=t}^{\infty} h(x_k^0, u_k^0), & \text{if } x = x_t^0 \in \mathcal{SS}^0 \\ +\infty, & \text{if } x \notin \mathcal{SS}^0 \end{cases}$$

A control Lyapunov “function”

Terminal Cost at the j-th iteration



Define \longrightarrow

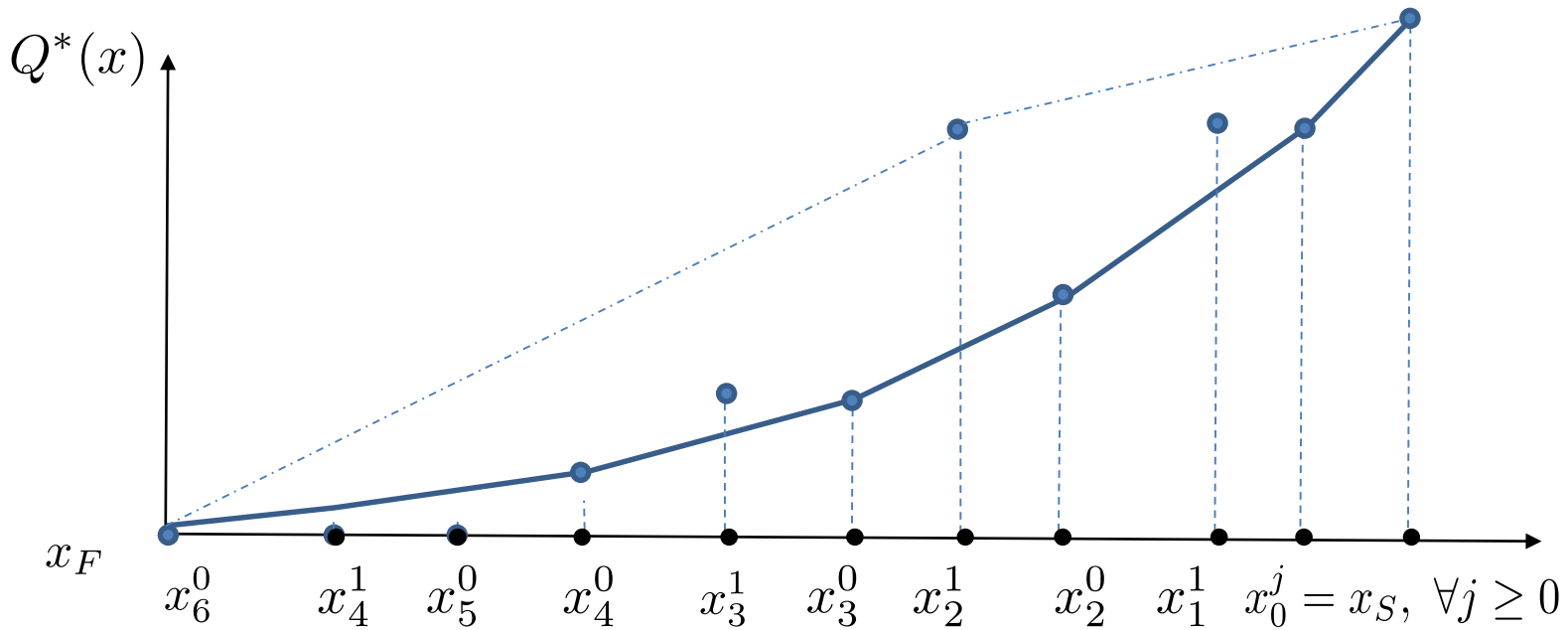
$$J_{t \rightarrow \infty}^j(x_t^j) = \sum_{k=t}^{\infty} h(x_k^j, u_k^j),$$

Compute terminal cost as \longrightarrow

$$Q^j(x) = \begin{cases} \min_{(i,t) \in F^j(x)} J_{t \rightarrow \infty}^i(x), & \text{if } x \in \mathcal{SS}^j \\ +\infty, & \text{if } x \notin \mathcal{SS}^j \end{cases}$$

$$F^j(x) = \left\{ (i, t) : i \in [0, j], t \geq 0 \text{ with } x = x_t^i; \text{ for } x_t^i \in \mathcal{SS}^j \right\}$$

Terminal Cost: Barycentric Approximation of $Q(\cdot)$



$$Q^*(x) = \min_{\lambda_i^j \in [0,1]} \sum_i \sum_j Q_i^j \lambda_i^j$$

$$\text{s.t. } \sum_i \sum_j x_i^j \lambda_i^j = x,$$

$$\sum_i \sum_j \lambda_i^j = 1$$

**Control Lyapunov
Function**
(for Constrained Linear Dynamical
Systems)

ILMPC Summary

$$J_{t \rightarrow t+N}^{\text{LMPC},j}(x_t^j) = \min_{\substack{u_{t|t}, \dots, u_{t+N-1|t} \\ \lambda^0, \dots, \lambda^{j-1}}} \sum_{k=t}^{t+N-1} h(x_{k|t}, u_{k|t}) + Q^{j-1}(x_{t+N|t})$$

s.t.

$$x_{k+1|t} = A_{k|t}x_{k|t} + B_{k|t}u_{k|t} + C_{k|t}, \quad \forall k \in [t, \dots, t+N-1]$$

$$x_{t|t} = x_t^j,$$

$$x_{k|t} \in \mathcal{X}, \quad u_{k|t} \in \mathcal{U}, \quad \forall k \in [t, \dots, t+N-1]$$

$$x_{t+N|t} \in \mathcal{CS}^{j-1},$$

MPC strategy: $u_t^j = u_{t|t}^{*,j}(x_t^j)$

- Optimize over inputs and lambdas
- For constrained linear systems
 - **Safety guarantees:**
 - Constraint satisfaction at iteration $j \Rightarrow$ satisfaction at iteration $j+1$
 - **Performance improvement guarantees:**
 - Closed loop cost at iteration $j \geq$ cost at iteration $j+1$
 - Convergence to global optimal solution
 - Constraint qualification conditions required for cost decrease

Performance Improvement Proof

- Conjecture

$$J_{0 \rightarrow \infty}^{j-1}(x_0^{j-1}) \geq J_{0 \rightarrow \infty}^j(x_0^j)$$

- Notation

$$\mathbf{x}^j = [x_0^j, x_1^j, \dots, x_t^j, \dots] \quad \mathbf{u}^j = [u_0^j, u_1^j, \dots, u_t^j, \dots]$$

Closed-loop state and input trajectory at iteration j

Performance Improvement Proof

Step 1: $J_{0 \rightarrow \infty}^{j-1}(x_0^{j-1}) \geq J_{0 \rightarrow N}^{LMPC, j}(x_0^j)$

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Performance Improvement Proof

Conclusion: $J_{0 \rightarrow \infty}^{j-1}(x_0^{j-1}) \geq J_{0 \rightarrow N}^{LMPC,j}(x_0^j) \geq J_{0 \rightarrow \infty}^j(x_0^j)$

The iteration cost $J_{0 \rightarrow \infty}^j$ is non-increasing at each iteration

Iterative Learning MPC

- Optimize over inputs and lambdas
- Simple proofs
- For constrained linear systems
 - Safety and Performance improvement guarantees
 - Convergence to global optimal solution (for linear
 - **Constraint qualification conditions required for cost decrease**

$$x_N = A^N x_0 + [A^{N-1} B \dots B] \begin{bmatrix} u_0 \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

If full column rank,
improvement cannot be
obtained

Constrained LQR Example

$$\min_{u_0, u_1, \dots} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left[\|x_k\|_2^2 + \|u_k\|_2^2 \right] \quad \text{Control objective}$$

$$\text{s.t. } x_{k+1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x_k + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u_k, \quad \forall k \geq 0$$

System dynamics
System constraints

$$x_k \in \text{box}[-4, 4] \quad \forall k \geq 0$$

$$u_k \in [-1, 1] \quad \forall k \geq 0$$

Starting Position

$$x_0 = [-2.120, 0.066]^T,$$

Iterative LMPC with horizon N=2

$$\min_{u_{0|t}, u_{1|t}} \sum_{k=0}^2 \left[\|x_{k|t}\|_2^2 + \|u_{k|t}\|_2^2 \right] + Q^{j-1}(x_{2|t}) \quad \text{Control objective}$$

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Terminal Constraint

$$x_{2|t} \in \mathcal{CS}^{j-1}$$

Initial Condition

$$x_{0|t} = x(t),$$

Will not work!

Will work if one sets N=3

Comparison with R.L.??

- RL term too broad
- Two good references:
 - Bertsekas paper connecting MPC and ADP*
 - Lewis and Vrabile survey on CSM**
 - Recht survey (section 6): <https://arxiv.org/abs/1806.09460>
- ILMPC highlights
 - Continuous state formulation
 - Constraints satisfaction and Sampled Safe Sets
 - Q-function constructed (learned) locally based on cost/model driven exploration and past trails
 - Q-function at stored state is “exact” and lowerbounds property at intermediate points (for convex problems)

*Dynamic Programming and Suboptimal Control: A Survey from ADP to MPC

**Reinforcement Learning and Adaptive Dynamic Programming for Feedback Control

About Model Learning in Racing

Autonomous Racing Control Problem

$\min_{T, \mathbf{u}}$

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Start & end position

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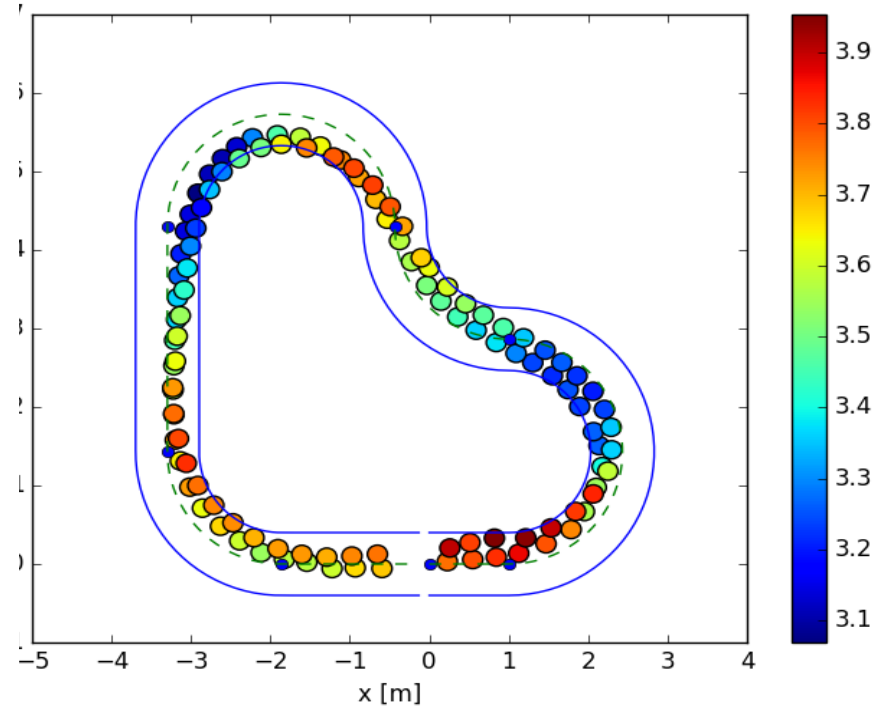
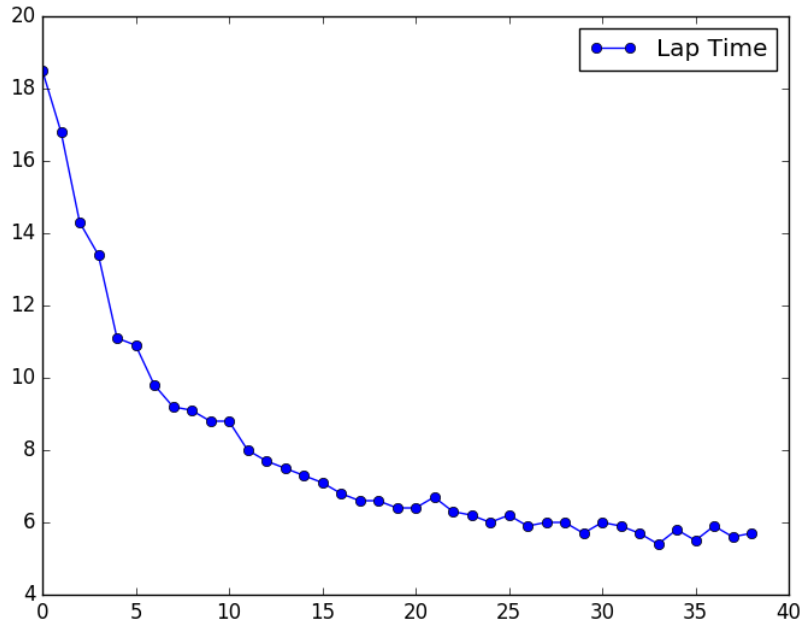
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Learning Process



The lap time decreases until the LMPC converges to a set of trajectories

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- **Nonlinear Dynamical System**

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Linearization around predicted trajectory

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The velocity update is not affected by **Position** and **Acceleration** command



$$\Lambda_{\dot{x}} = [\lambda_1 \quad \lambda_2 \quad \lambda_3 \quad \boxed{0 \quad 0 \quad 0} \quad \lambda_4 \quad \boxed{0} \quad \lambda_5]$$

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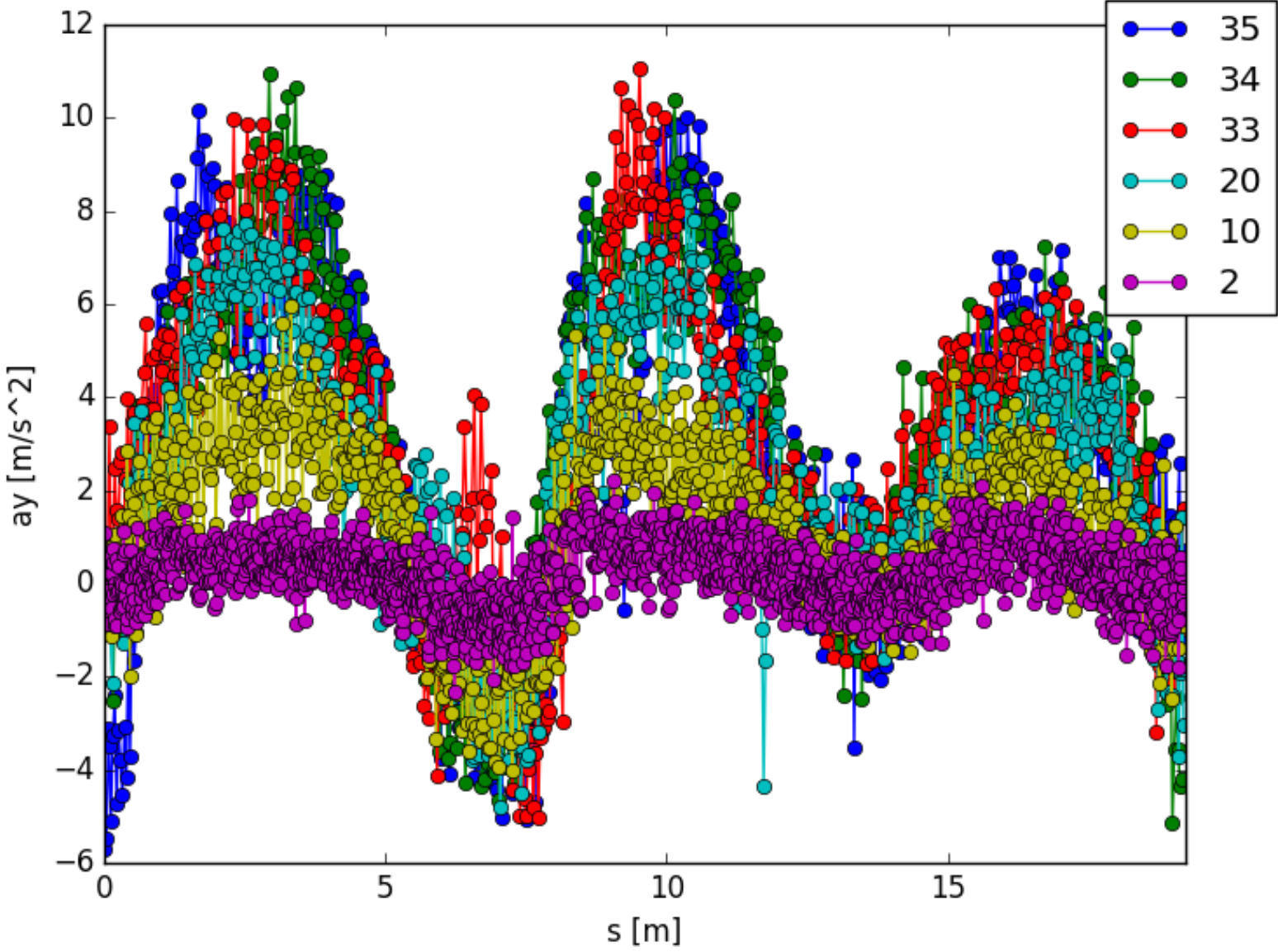
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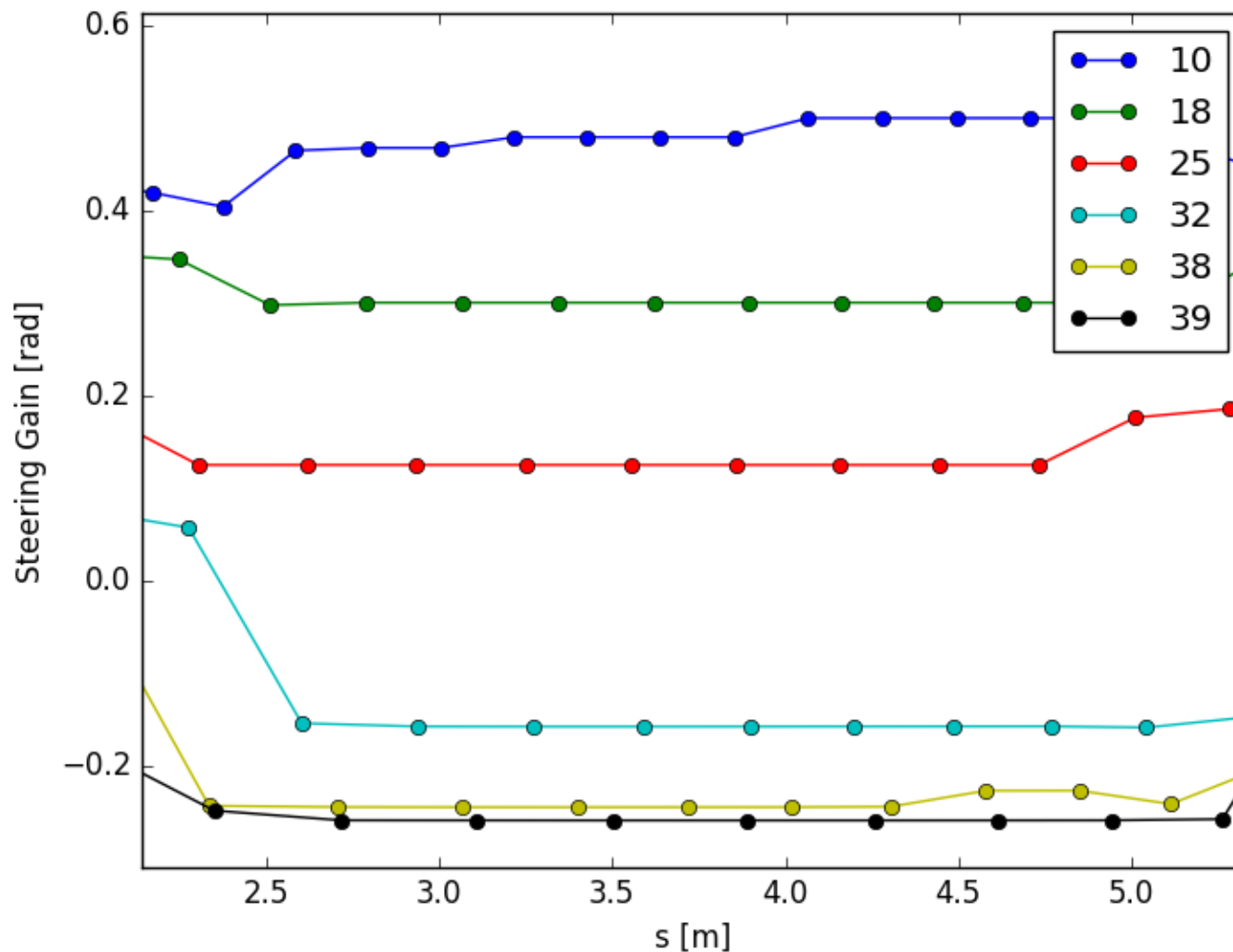
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Accelerations



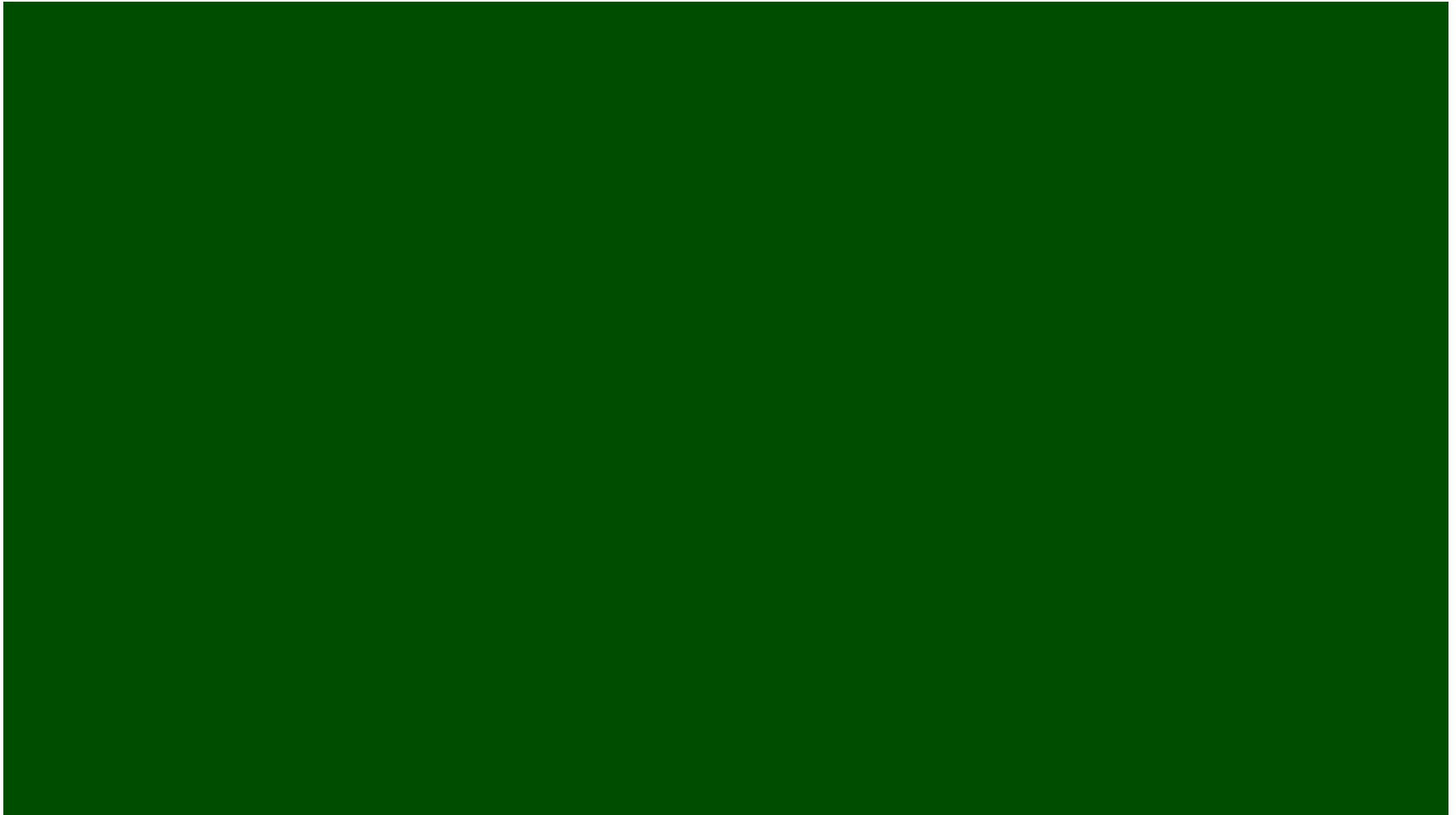
Results

- Gain from steering to lateral velocity



About Model Learning Ball in Cup

Ball in a Cup System with MuJoCo



Ball in a Cup Control Problem

$\min_{T, \mathbf{u}}$

$$T + y^2$$

Control objective

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Useful Mujoco Model Abstraction

Identifying the Dynamical System

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$$z_{k+1|t} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_{k+1|t}^{\text{ball}} \\ \dot{y}_{k+1|t}^{\text{ball}} \\ \dot{x}_{k+1|t}^{\text{cup}} \\ \dot{y}_{k+1|t}^{\text{cup}} \\ x_{k+1|t}^{\text{ball}} \\ y_{k+1|t}^{\text{ball}} \\ x_{k+1|t}^{\text{cup}} \\ y_{k+1|t}^{\text{cup}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \arg \min_i \sum_i K(z_{k|t} - z_i) \|\Lambda_y \begin{bmatrix} z_{k|t} \\ u_{k|t} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - y_{i+1}\|, \forall y \in \{\dot{x}, \dot{y}, \dot{e}^x, \dot{e}^y\} \\ \text{Linearized Kinematics} \\ \text{Linearized Kinematics} \\ \text{Linearized Kinematics} \\ \text{Linearized Kinematics} \end{bmatrix} z_{k|t} + \begin{bmatrix} \text{Linearized Kinematics} \\ \text{Linearized Kinematics} \\ \text{Linearized Kinematics} \\ \text{Linearized Kinematics} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{k|t} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

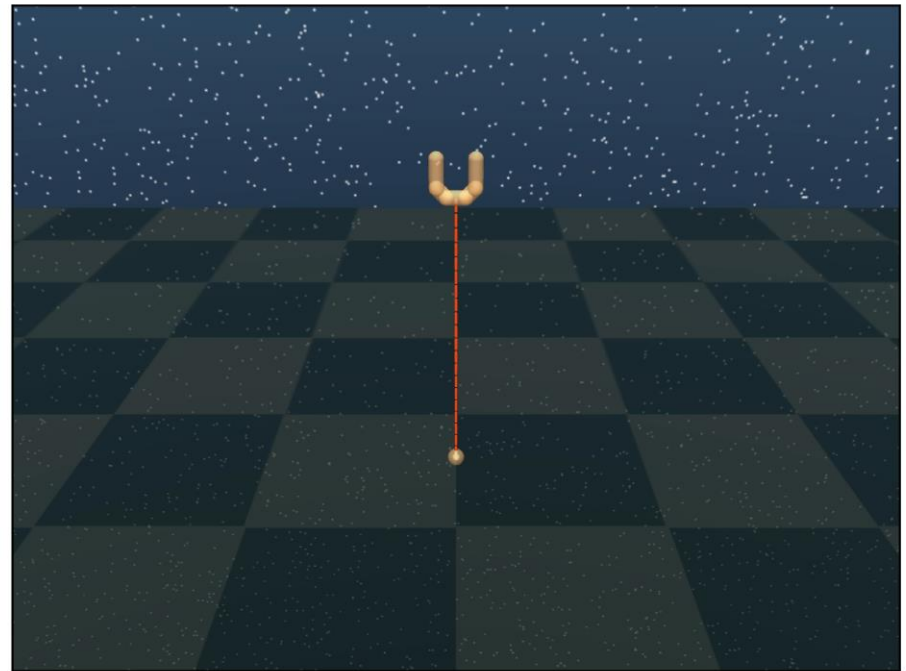
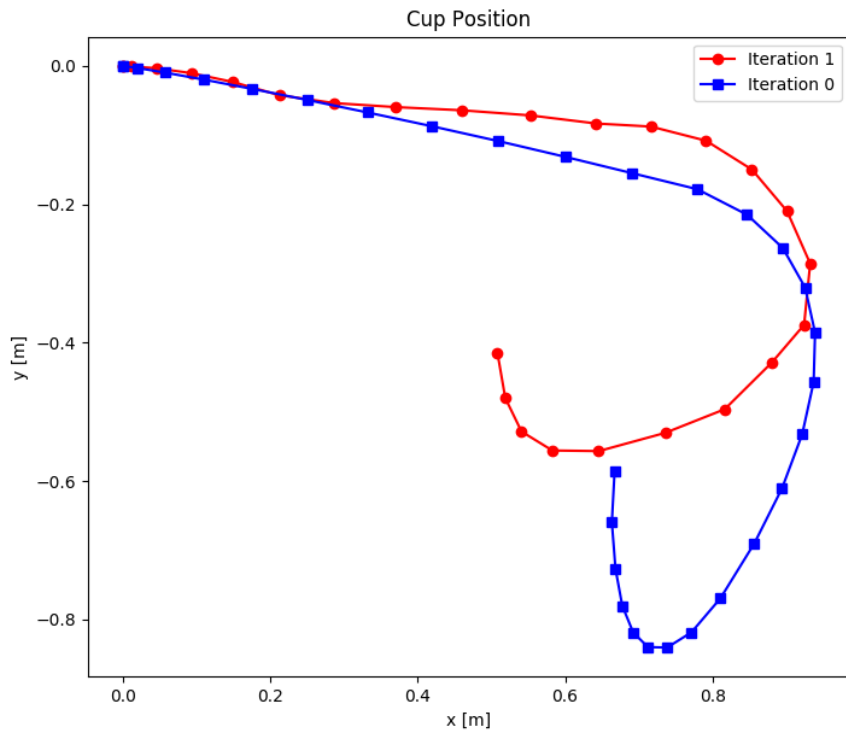
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Ball in a Cup System

- At iteration 0 find a sequence by sampling parametrized inputs profiles (takes 5mins)
- Use ILMPC: At iteration 1, time reduced of 10%, cup height movement reduced of 35%



Back to our main chart..

Three Forms of Learning

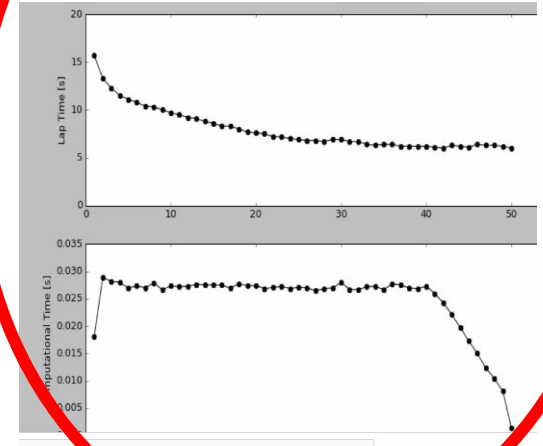
Skill acquisition



Performance improvement



Reduce load for
Routine Execution



How we do this?

Model Predictive Control +
A Simple Idea +
Good Practices

Offline $\pi(\cdot)$ and Online $\pi(x)$ Computation

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{\pi_0(\cdot), \pi_1(\cdot), \dots, \pi_{N-1}(\cdot)} J_{0 \rightarrow N}(x_0, \Pi) \\ & \text{subj. to } \begin{cases} x_{k+1} = f(x_k, u_k, w_k) \\ u_k = \pi_k(x_k) \\ u_k \in \mathcal{U}, x_k \in \mathcal{X}, \forall u_k \in \mathcal{W} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

$\pi_k(\cdot)$ Feedback Control Policies: $\pi_k: \mathcal{X} \mapsto \mathcal{U}$

Option 1 (Offline Based): “Complex” Offline, “Simple” Online

- $\pi(\cdot)$ often Piecewise Constant (except special classes)
- Dynamic Programming is one choice
- Basic Rule: $n > 5$ impossible

Option 2 (Online Based): “Simple” Offline, “Complex” Online

- Compute on-line $\pi(x)$ with a “sophisticated” algorithm
- Interior point method solver is one choice
- Basic Rule: avoid use ‘home-made’ solvers

In iterative tasks you can use both

One Simple Way: Data-Based Policy for $\pi(\cdot)$

At time t , given the state $x(t)$ solve the following LP

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$$\text{s.t. } \sum_i \sum_j x_i^j \lambda_i^j = x(t),$$

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Given the optimizer compute the input at time t

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of converged iterations

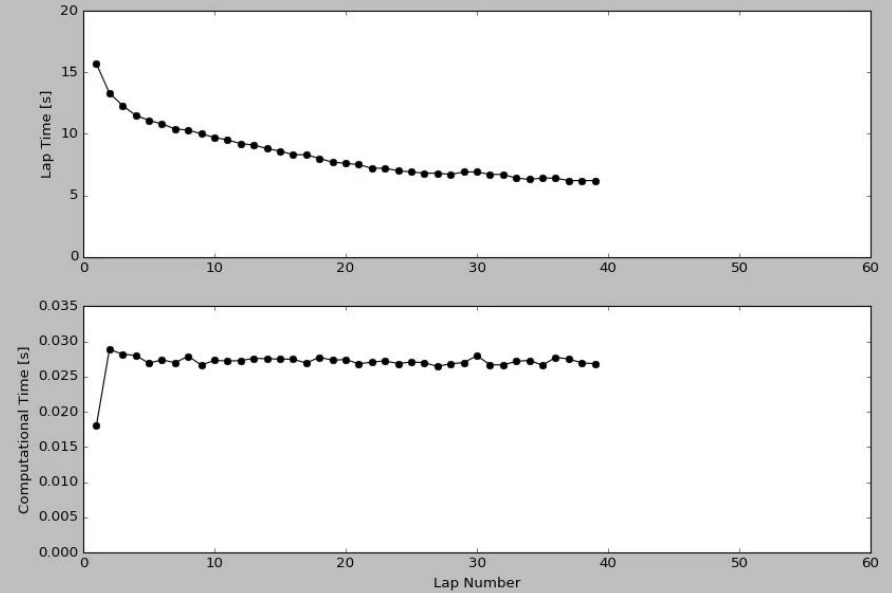
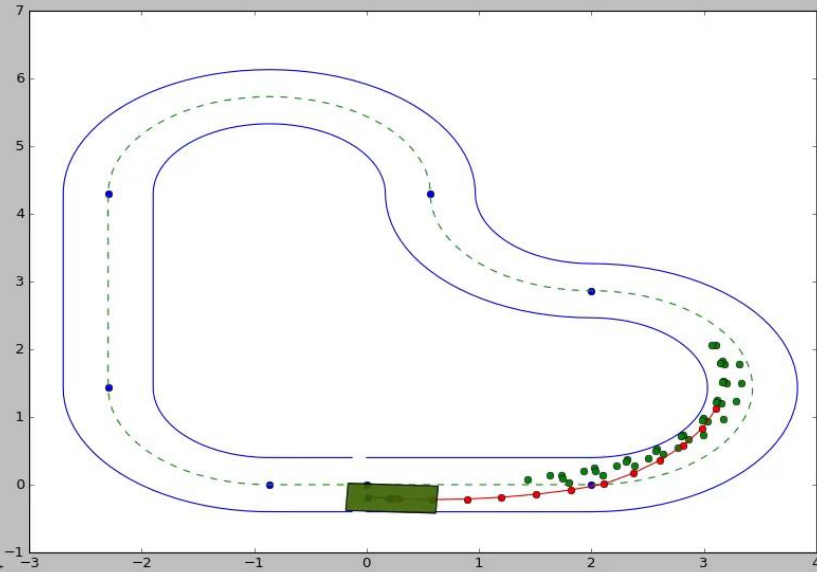
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Three Forms of Learning

3 - Computation Load Reduction

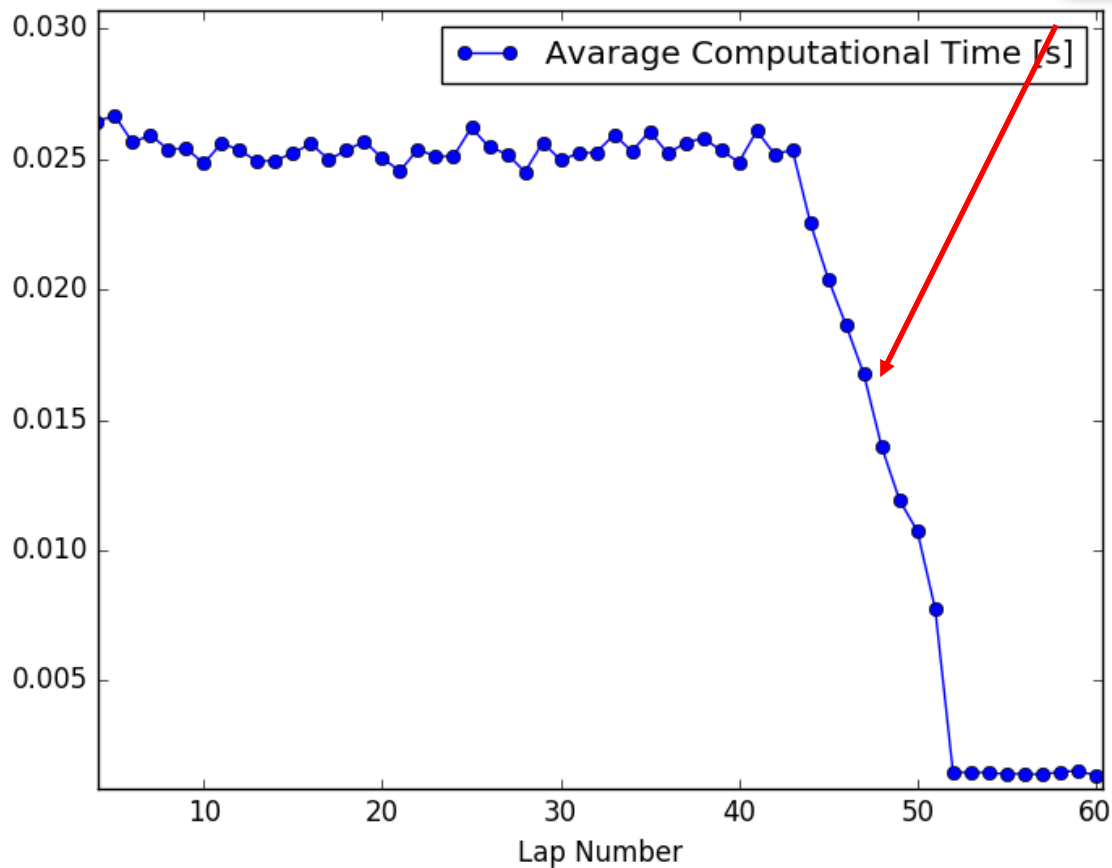
Lap Time at each iteration



Average CPU Load at each iteration

Experimental Results

Factor of 10



Data Based Policy: Alternatives

- Nearest Neighbor
- Train ReLU Neural Network
- Local Explicit MPC

All Continuous Piecewise Affine Policies

Learning MPC

Incorporating data in advance model based controller

$$J_{t \rightarrow t+N}^{\text{LMPC},j}(x_t^j) = \min_{u_{k|t}} \sum_{k=t}^{t+N-1} h(x_{k|t}, u_{k|t}) + Q^{j-1}(x_{t+N|t})$$

What about noise and model uncertainty?

$\omega_{k|t} \in \mathcal{W}, \omega_{k|t} \in \mathcal{W}, \forall t \in [0, \dots, t], \omega_{k|t} \in \mathcal{W}$

$x_{t+N|t} \in \mathcal{SS}^{j-1}, \rightarrow$

data

In Practice

- Noise and model uncertainty: Robust case

ILMPC – Robust and Adaptive design

At Iteration 0

- Linear System

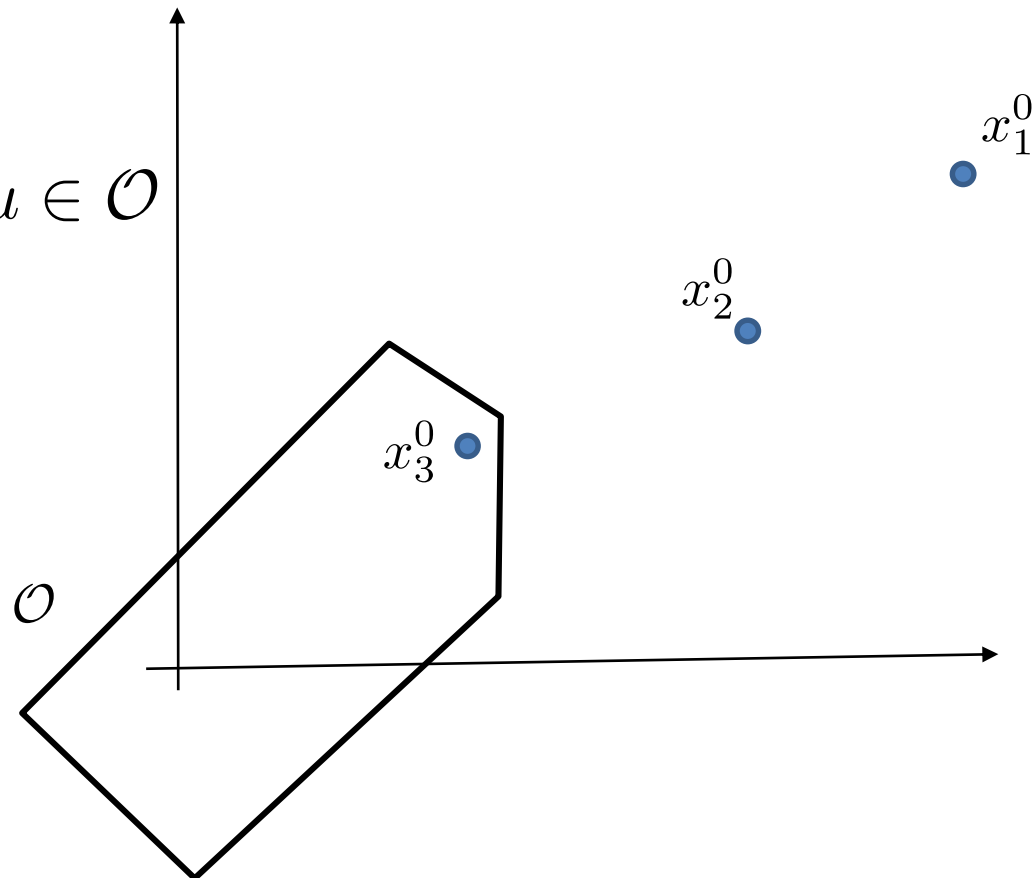
$$x_{k+1}^0 = Ax_k^0 + B\pi^1(x_k^0) + w_k^0$$

x_0^0

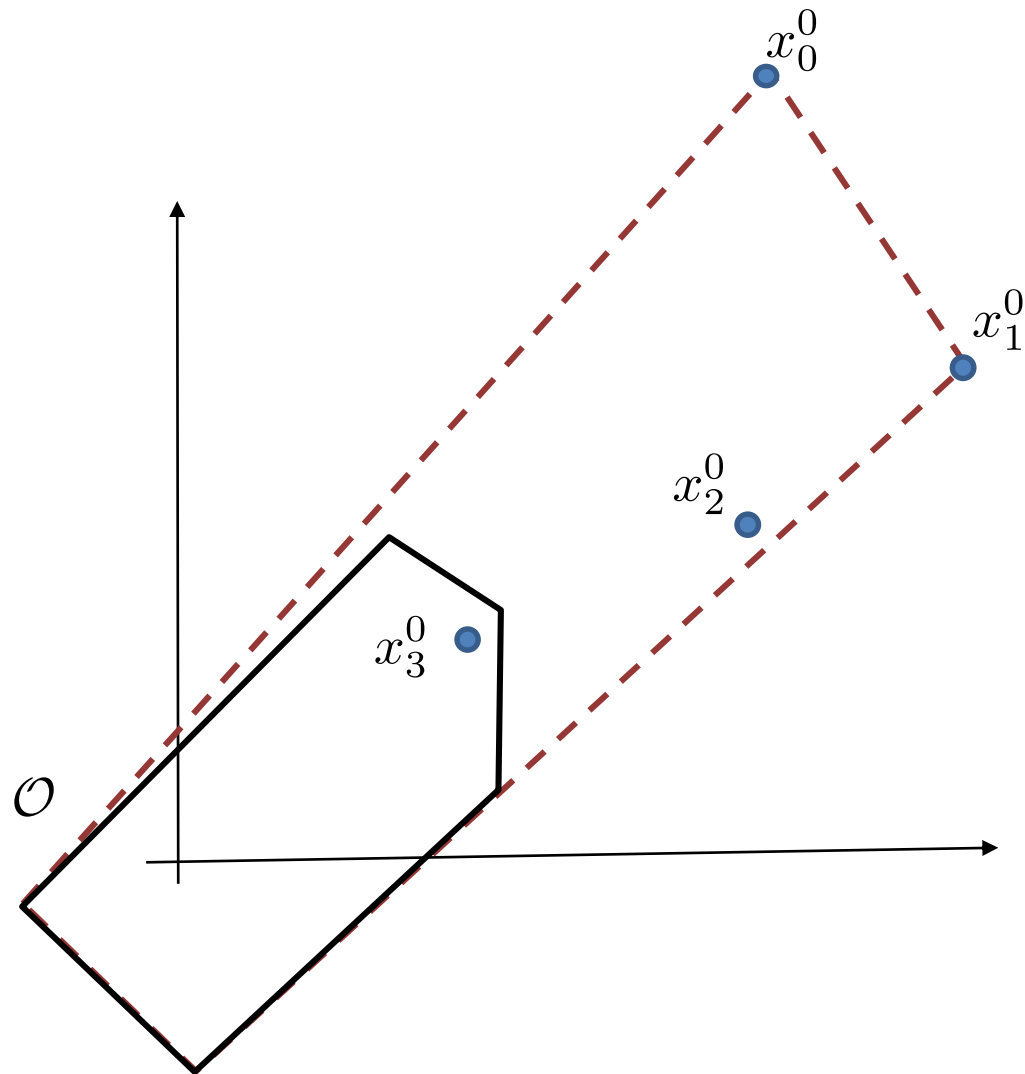
- Terminal Goal Set

$$\forall x \in \mathcal{O} \rightarrow Ax + BKu \in \mathcal{O}$$

- Successful Iteration



At Iteration 1



CVX hull is not a robust invariant!

ILMPC – Robust and Adaptive design

- Robust invariants
- “Robustify” Q-function (and dualize for computational efficiency)
- Chance constraints

See my group papers at this conference if interested..

For Iterative tasks I discussed

How to obtain performance improvement and reduced computational load while satisfying constraints



By using Iterative learning MPC, i.e.

- Model Predictive Control
- A Simple Idea
(which exploits the iterative nature of the tasks)
- A Few Important Design Steps

The End