

Localization: MLE estimate

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Prerequisites: Bayes theorem

A ... have disease $p(A) = 0.001$ Prior probability of having disease 0.1%
 $p(\bar{A}) = 0.999$ Prior probability of being healthy 99.9%

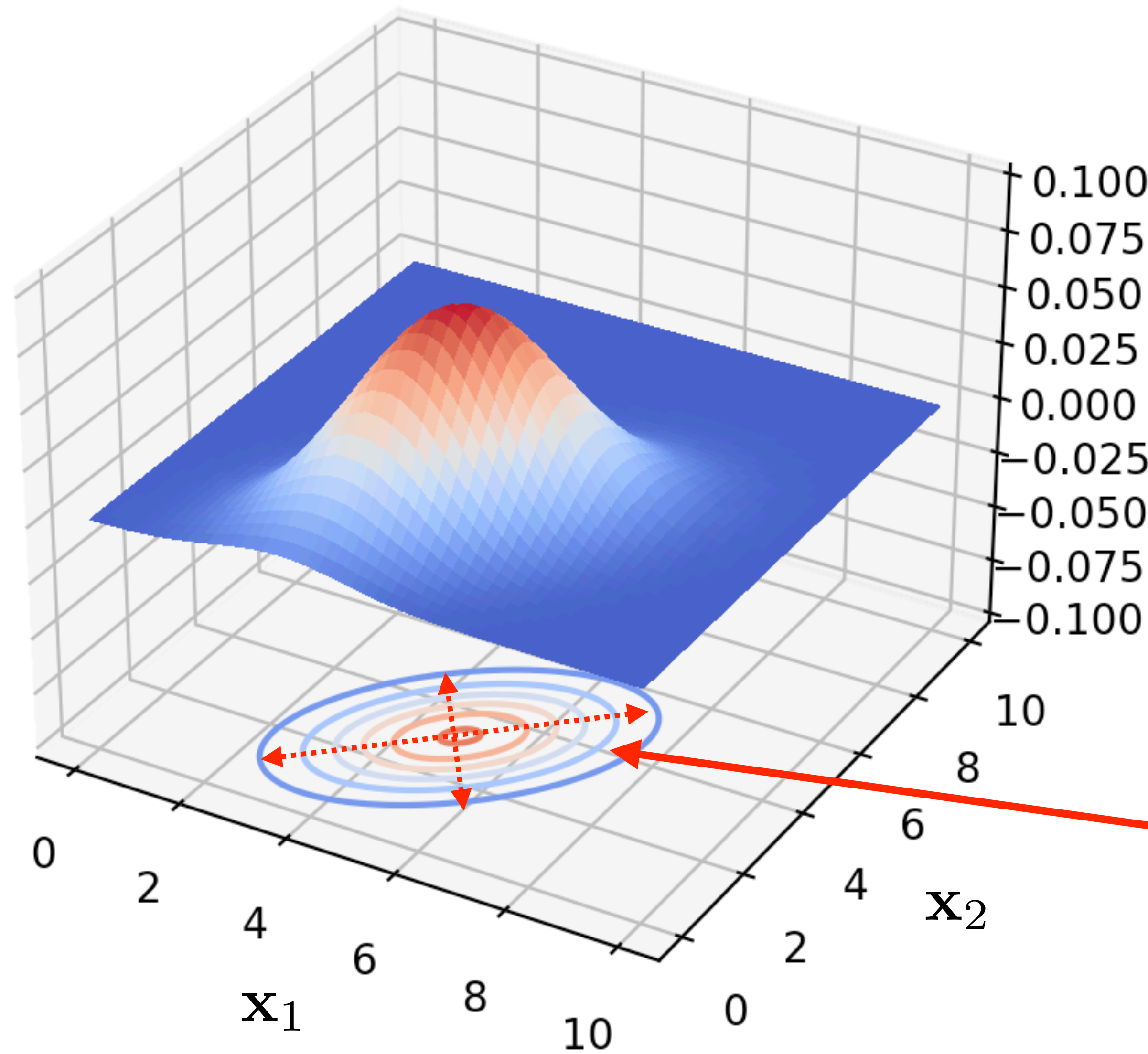
B ... positive test $p(B|A) = 1$ Everyone who have disease tests always positive
 $p(B|\bar{A}) = 0.05$ There are 5% of healthy people, with positive test

$$p(A|B) = \frac{p(B|A)p(A)}{p(B)} = \frac{p(B|A)p(A)}{p(B|A)p(A) + p(B|\bar{A})p(\bar{A})} = \frac{1 * 0.001}{1 * 0.001 + 0.999 * 0.05} \approx 1.9\%$$

Only 18% of doctors+students from Harvard Medical school answered correctly.

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$\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{R}^n$... real n-dimensional random column vector

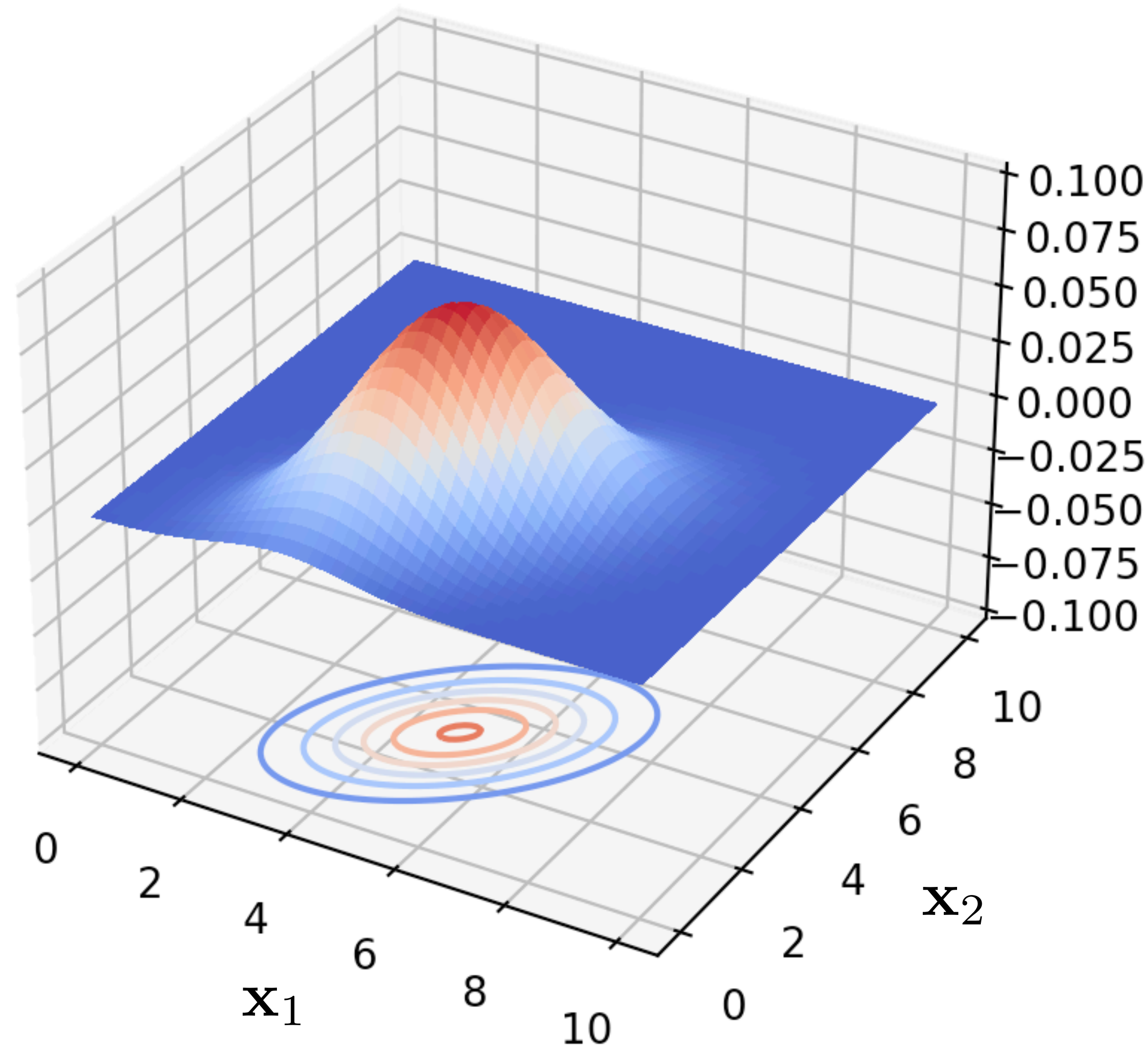
$\boldsymbol{\mu} \in \mathcal{R}^n$... real n-dimensional mean

$\boldsymbol{\Sigma} \in \mathcal{R}^{n \times n}$... symmetric positive definite covariance matrix

eigenvalues and eigenvectors of $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ determine ellipse axes

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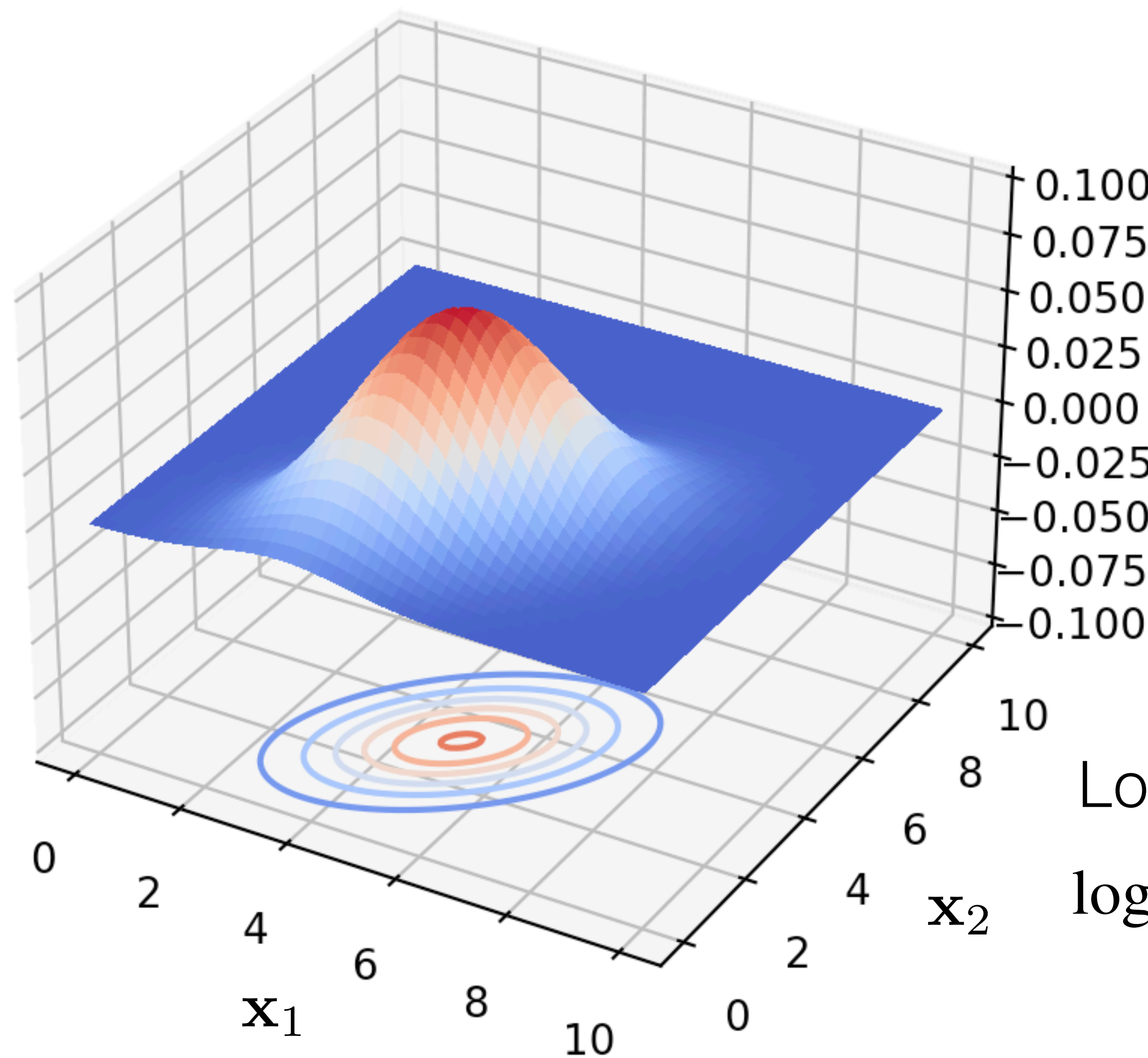


Gaussian distributions are closed under:

- Affine transformation
- Chain rule
- Conditioning
- Marginalization

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- Chain rule

Product of two Gaussians is Gaussian:

$$\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\mu}_1, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_1) \cdot \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\mu}_2, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_2) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$$

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_1^{-1} + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_2^{-1}$$

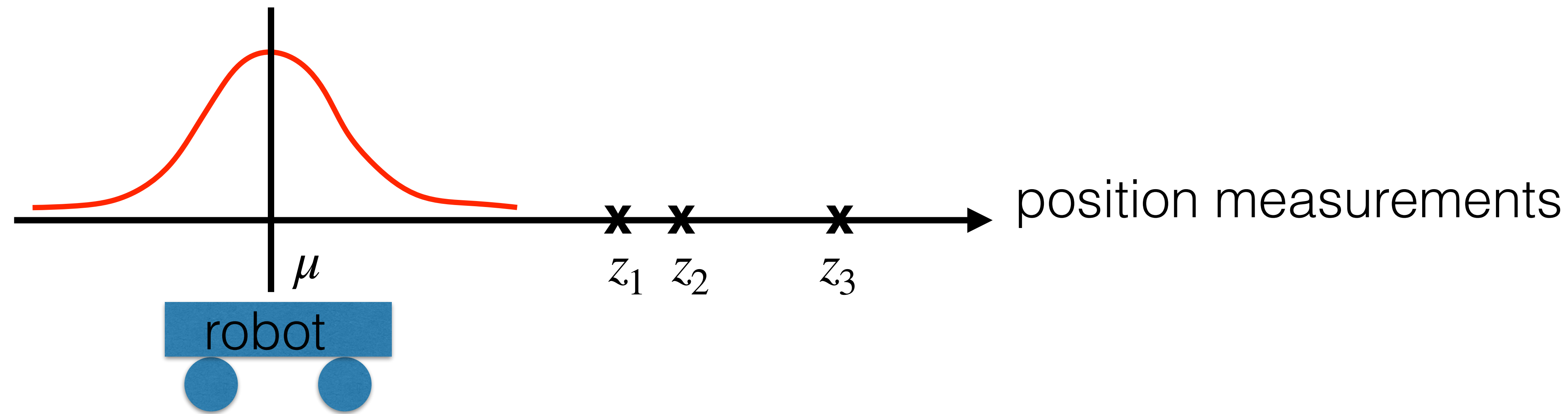
$$\boldsymbol{\mu} = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_1^{-1} \boldsymbol{\mu}_1 + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_2^{-1} \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)$$

Logarithm of Gaussian is quadratic form:

$$\log\left(\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})\right) = -\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) + C$$

Motivation example

Measurement probability: $p(z_i | \mu) = \mathcal{N}(z_i; \mu, \sigma^2)$

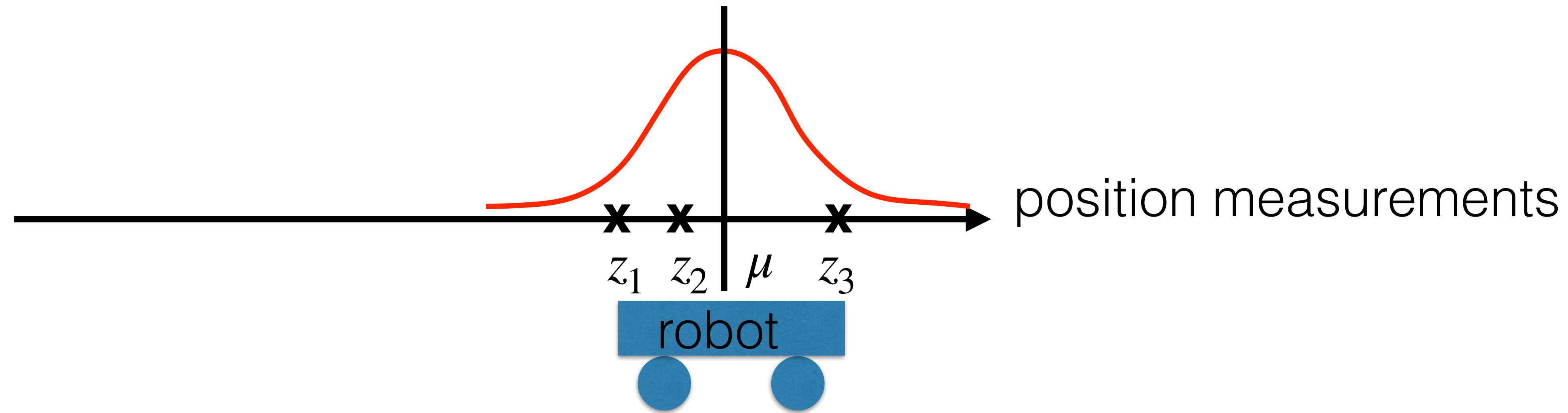


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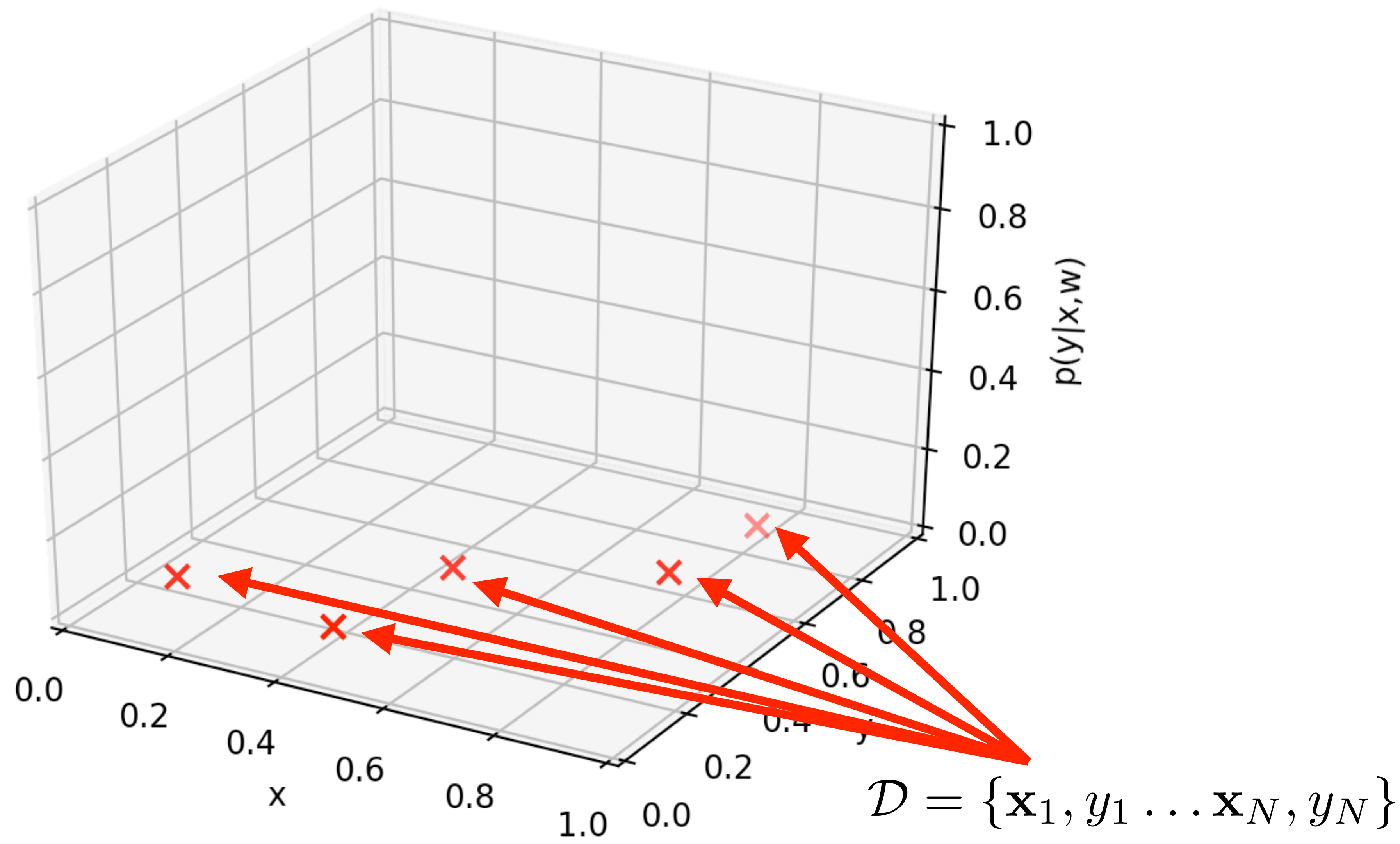
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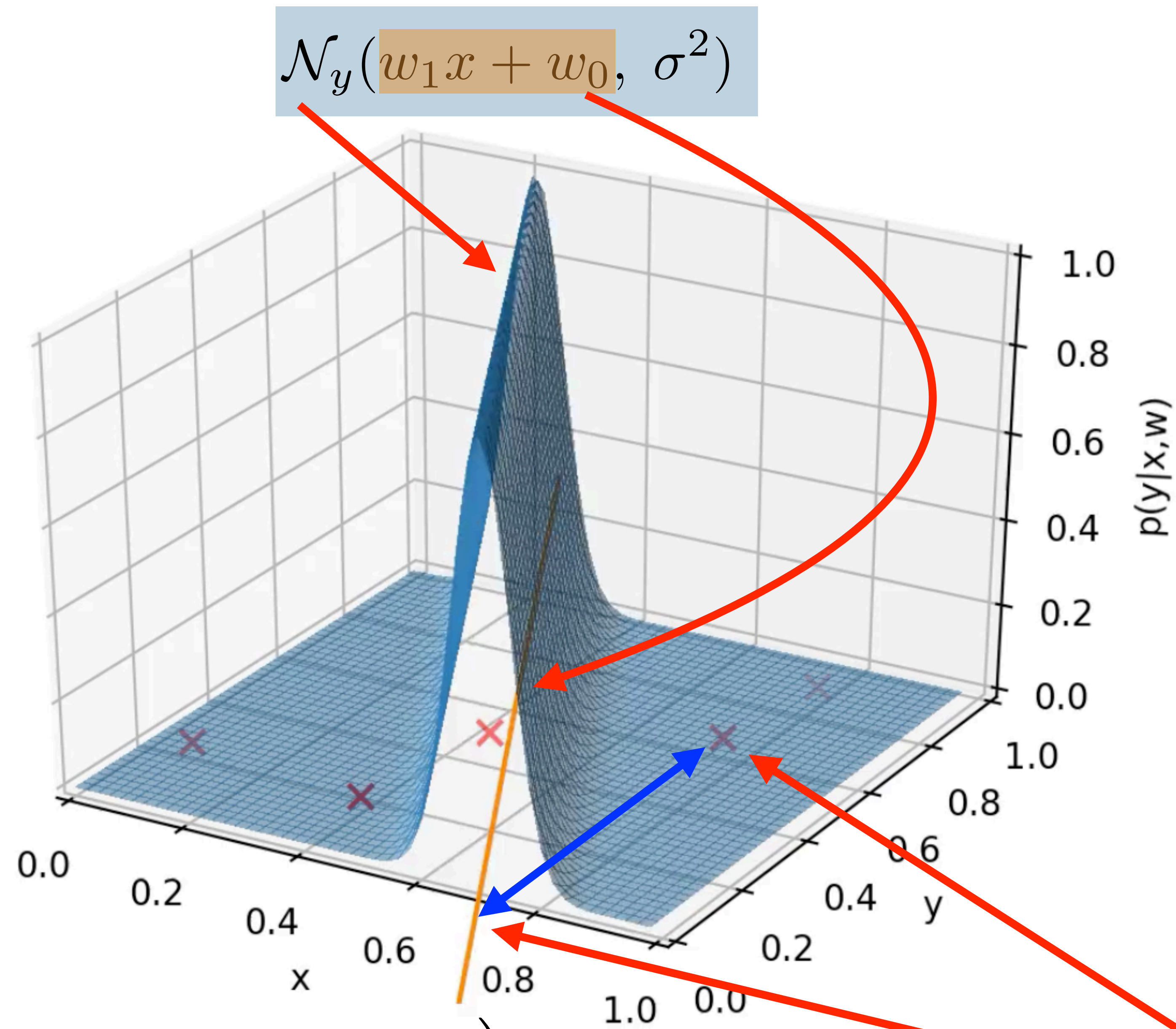
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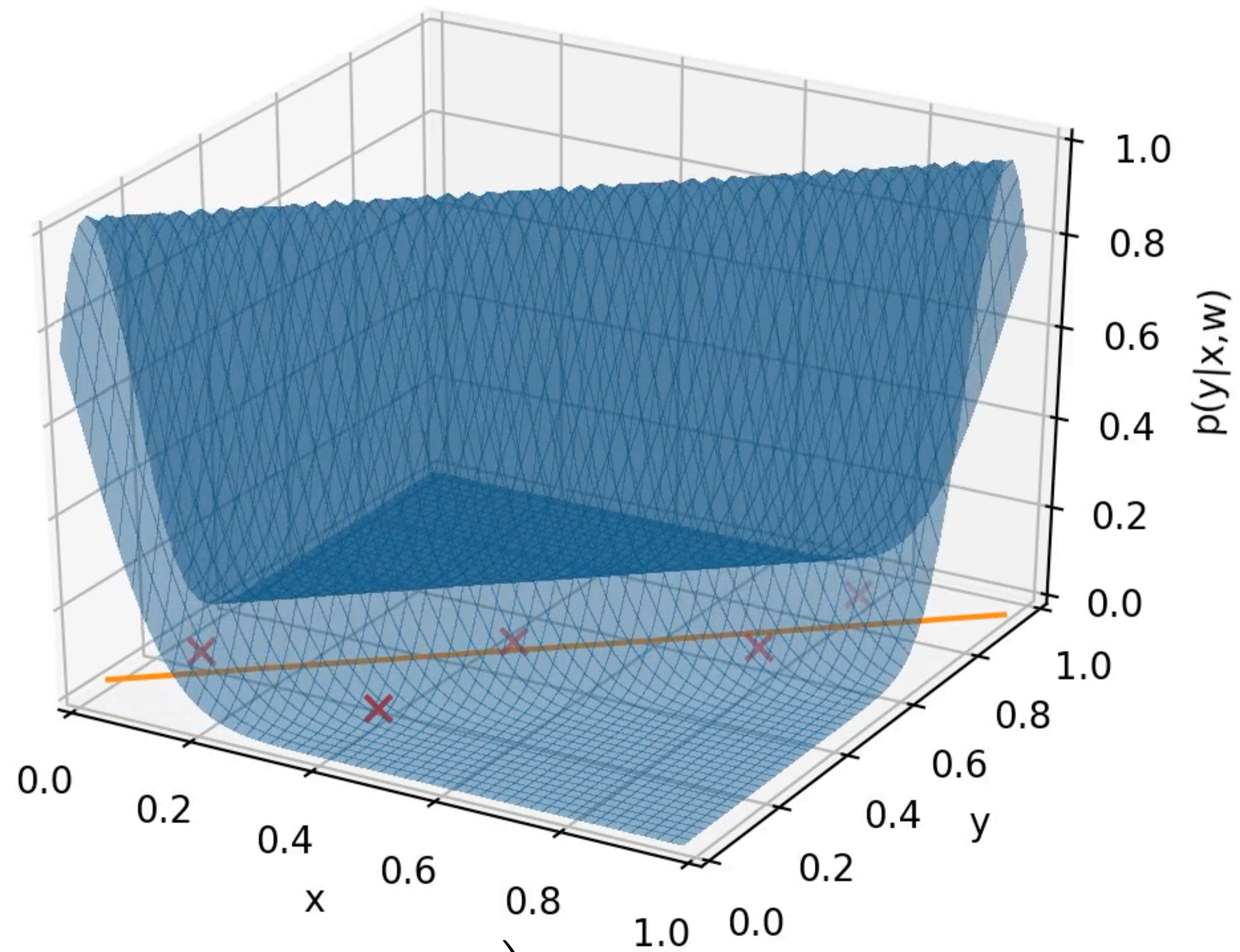
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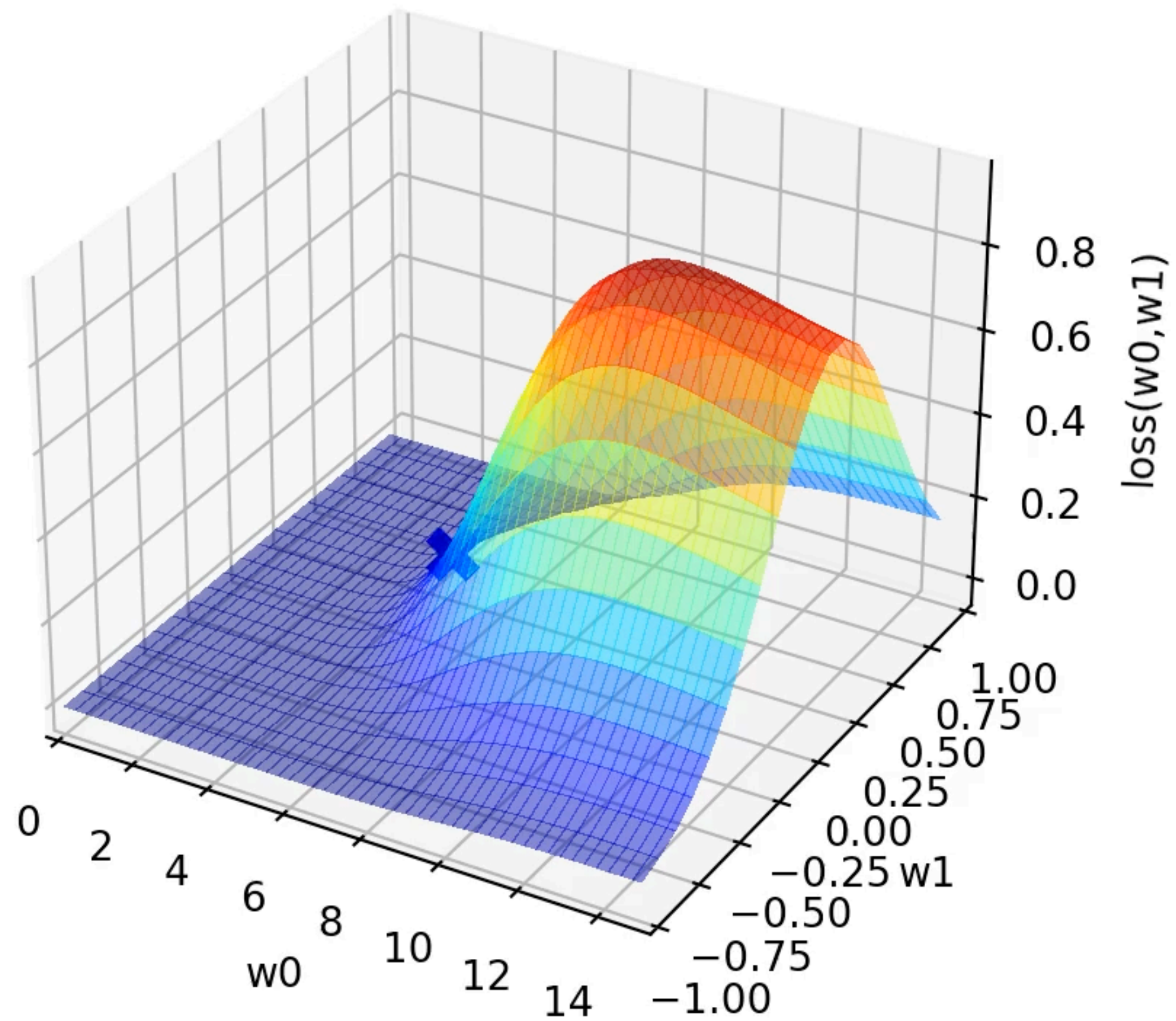




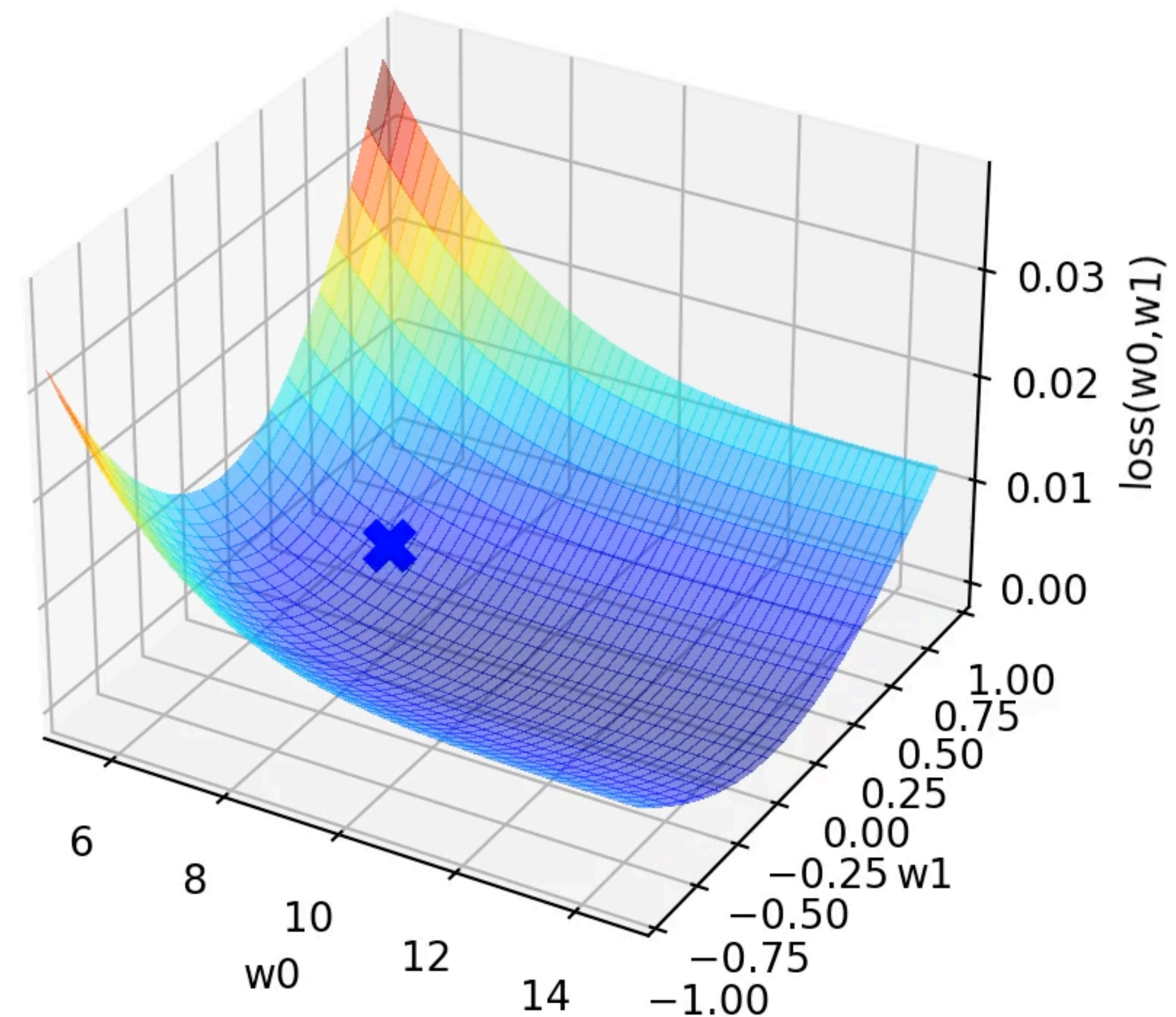
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MLE



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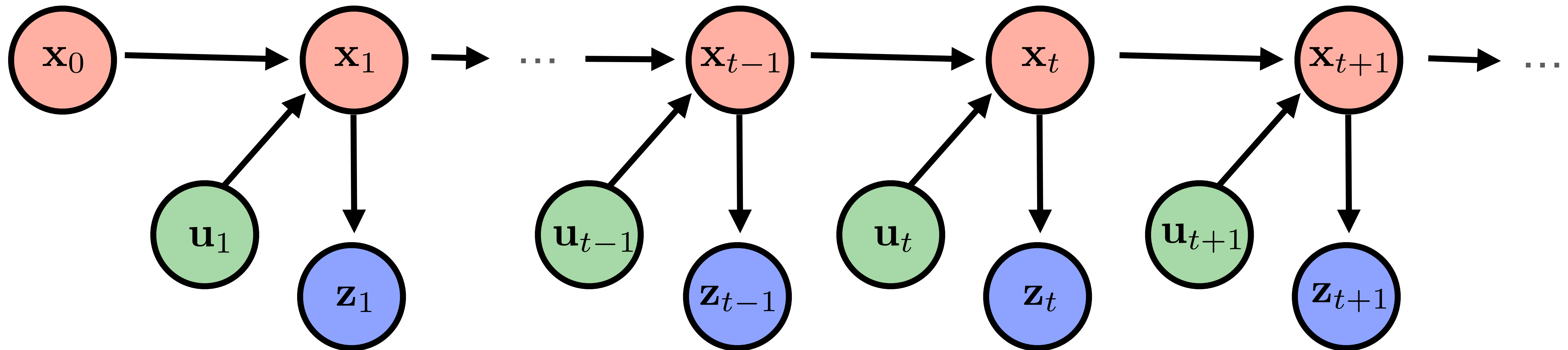
Localization problem definition

States: $\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t \in \mathcal{R}^n$ 6DOF robot's poses (no map for now)

Actions: $\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_t \in \mathcal{R}^m$ generated by external source

Measurements: $\mathbf{z}_1, \dots, \mathbf{z}_t \in \mathcal{R}^k$ comes from variety of sensors

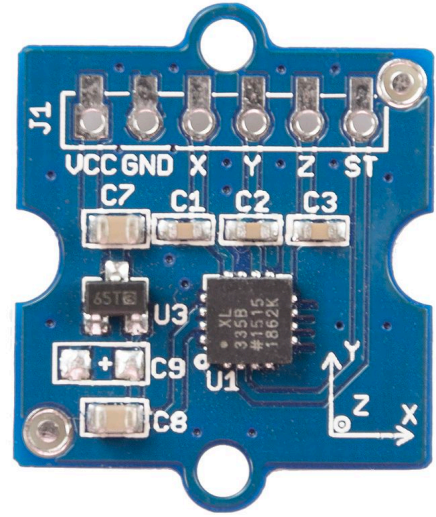
- Goal:
- estimate most probable $\mathbf{x}_0 \dots \mathbf{x}_t$
 - or just \mathbf{x}_t
 - or full distribution $p(\mathbf{x}_t)$ or even $p(\mathbf{x}_0 \dots \mathbf{x}_t)$



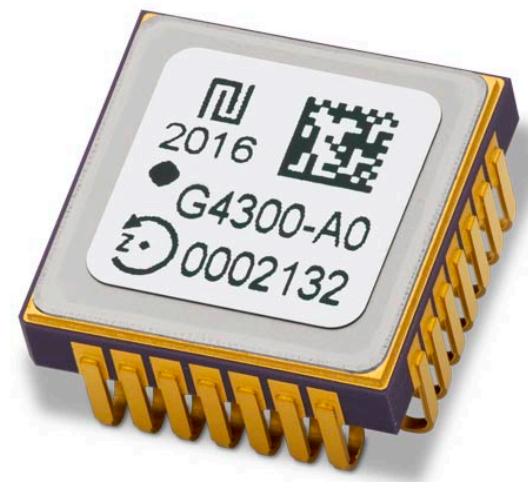
Sensors for localisation (odometry)



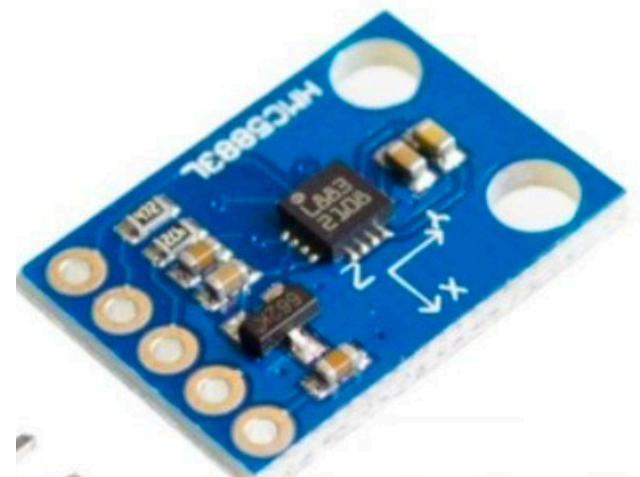
Motor encoders (wheel/joint position/velocity)



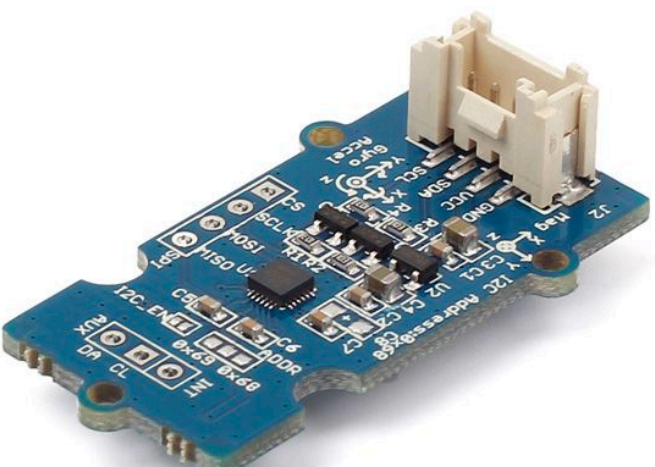
Accelerometer (linear acceleration)



Gyroscope (angular velocity)



Magnetometer (angle to magnetic north)



IMU: Accelerometer+Gyroscope+Magnetometer (9DOF measurements)

Sensors for localisation (exteroceptive)

Camera (RGB images - spectral responses projected on image plane)



Stereo camera



RGBD camera (kinect, real sense, ...)



Lidar



Sonar



Radar



Satelite navigation (GPS/GNSS)



SONARDYNE beacons



UWB

Sensor measurements

- Noise characteristic (GPS vs camera for localisation)
- Operates in its own coordinate frame
- Spatiotemporal (and spectral) resolution
(i.e. number of pixels/channels in image, number of measurements per second)
- Absolute/relative measurements wrt a reference coordinate frame
(e.g. GPS/IMU) and integrating the relative measurements does not work!

Consequence: Need a reasonable probabilistic approach that fuses all measurements in order to estimate the most probable pose(s)

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Today only 1D/2D translations (no rotations)

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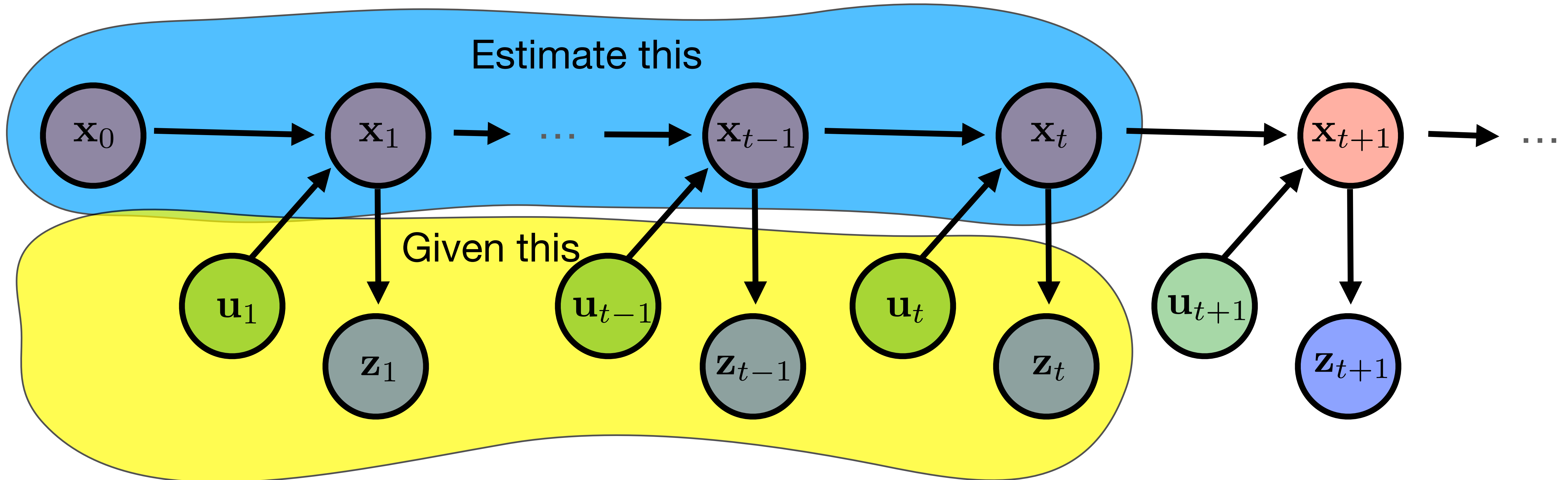
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Unknown

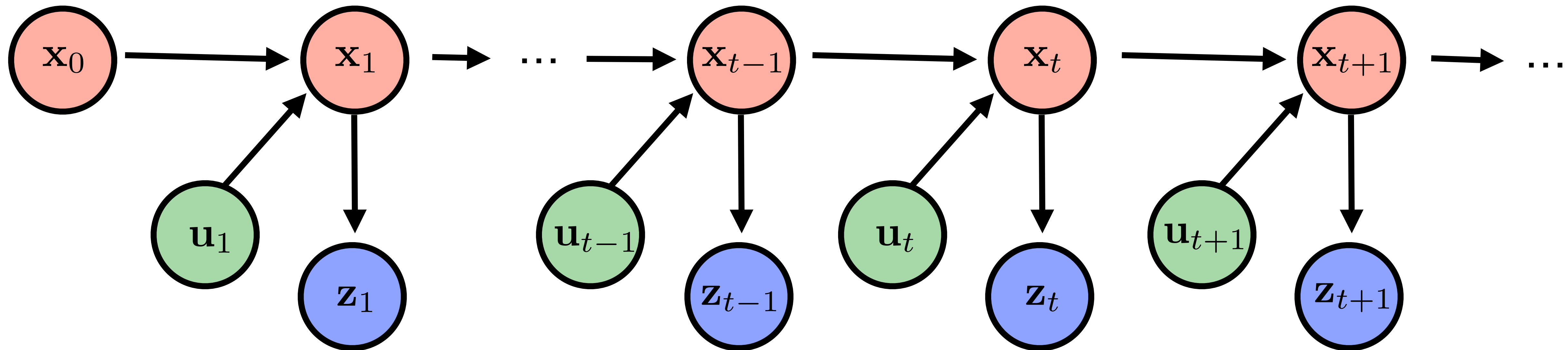
1. Construct $p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{z})$
2. Optimize poses



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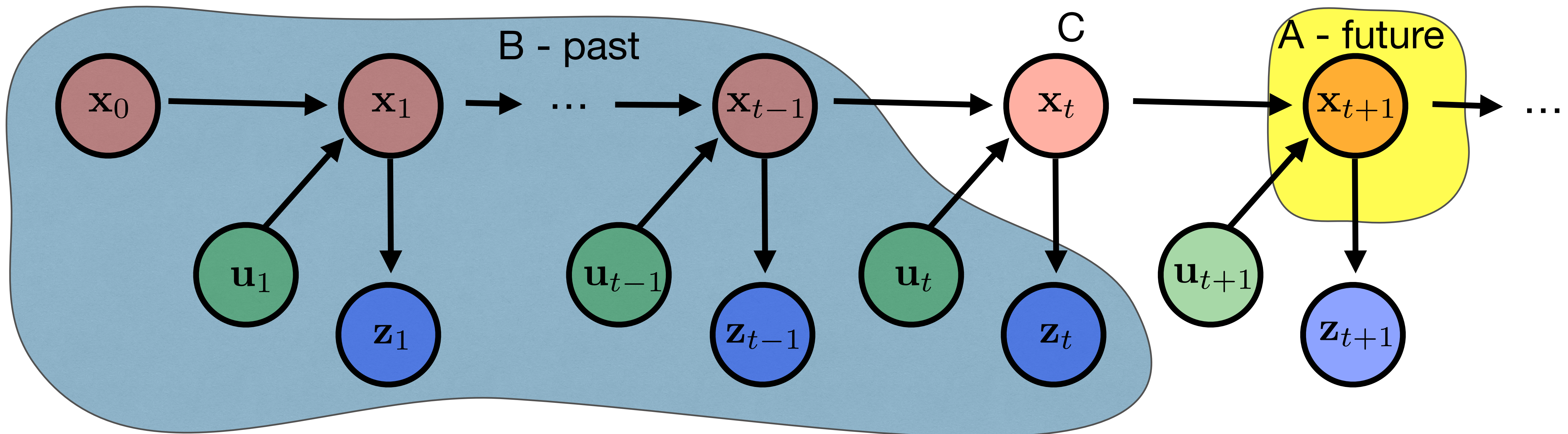


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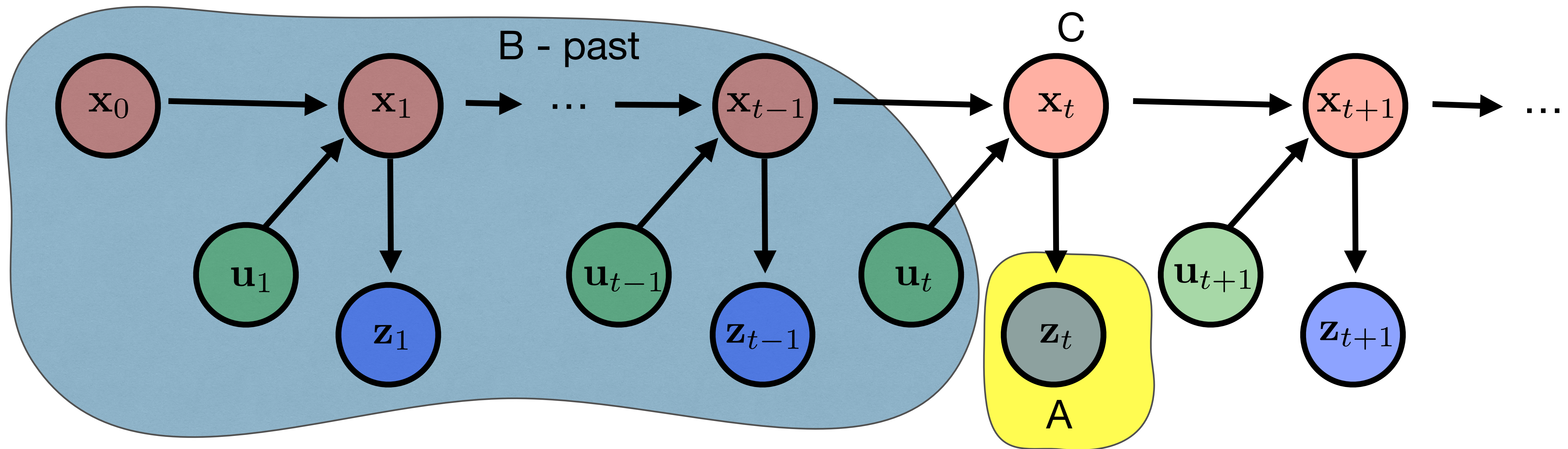
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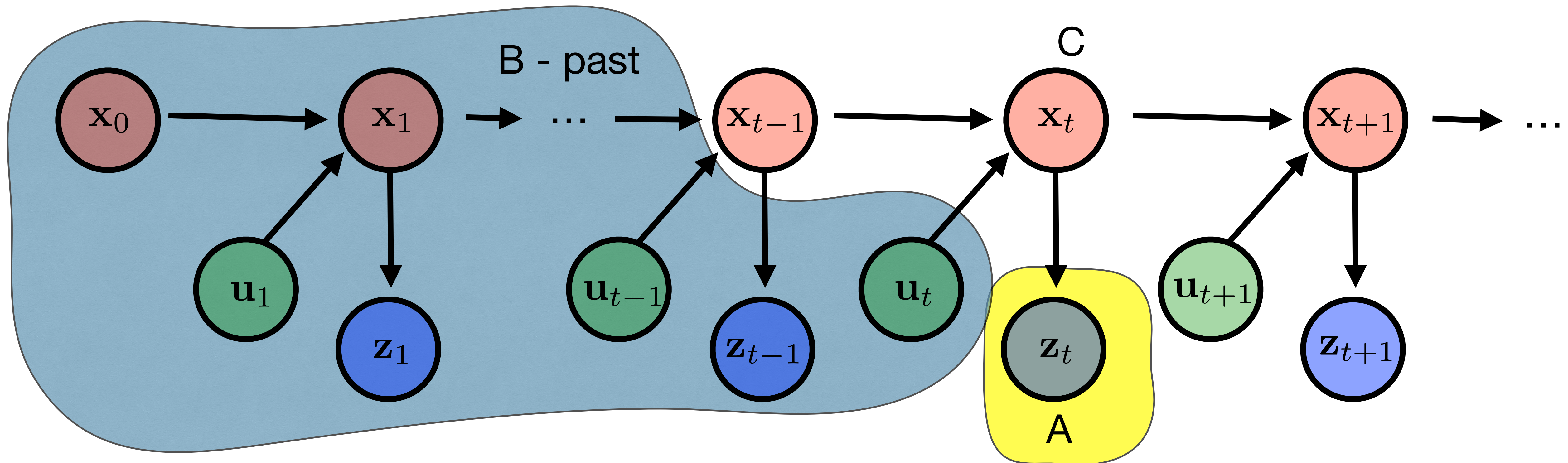
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Single time instance only

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Absolute pose measurement (e.g. GPS)

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Bayes theorem

$$\downarrow$$

$$= \arg \max_{\mathbf{x}_t} \frac{p(\mathbf{z}_t^{GPS} | \mathbf{x}_t) p(\mathbf{x}_t)}{p(\mathbf{z}_t^{GPS})}$$

Uniform prior

$$\downarrow$$

$$= \arg \max_{\mathbf{x}_t} p(\mathbf{z}_t^{GPS} | \mathbf{x}_t)$$

Normal likelihood

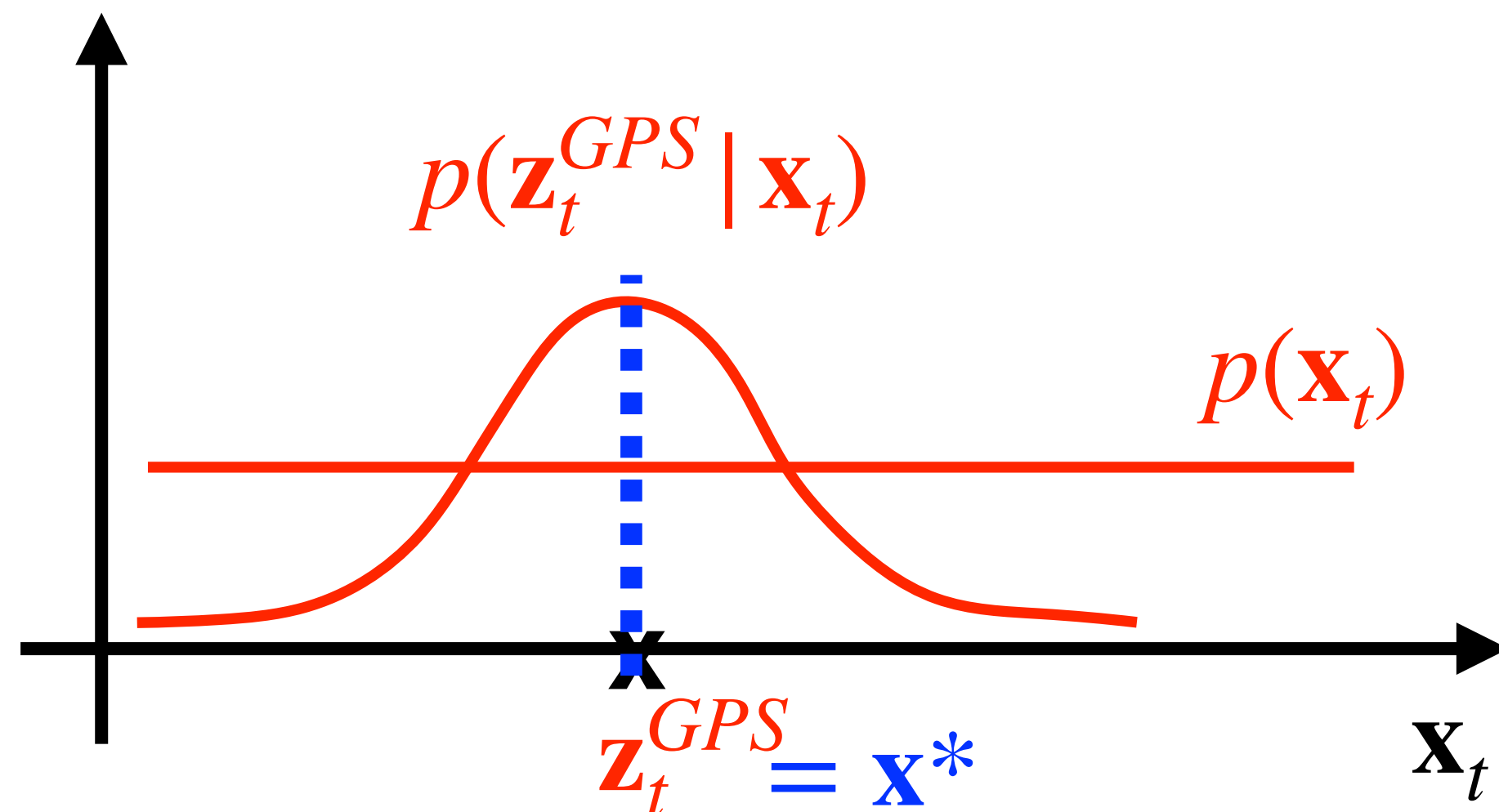
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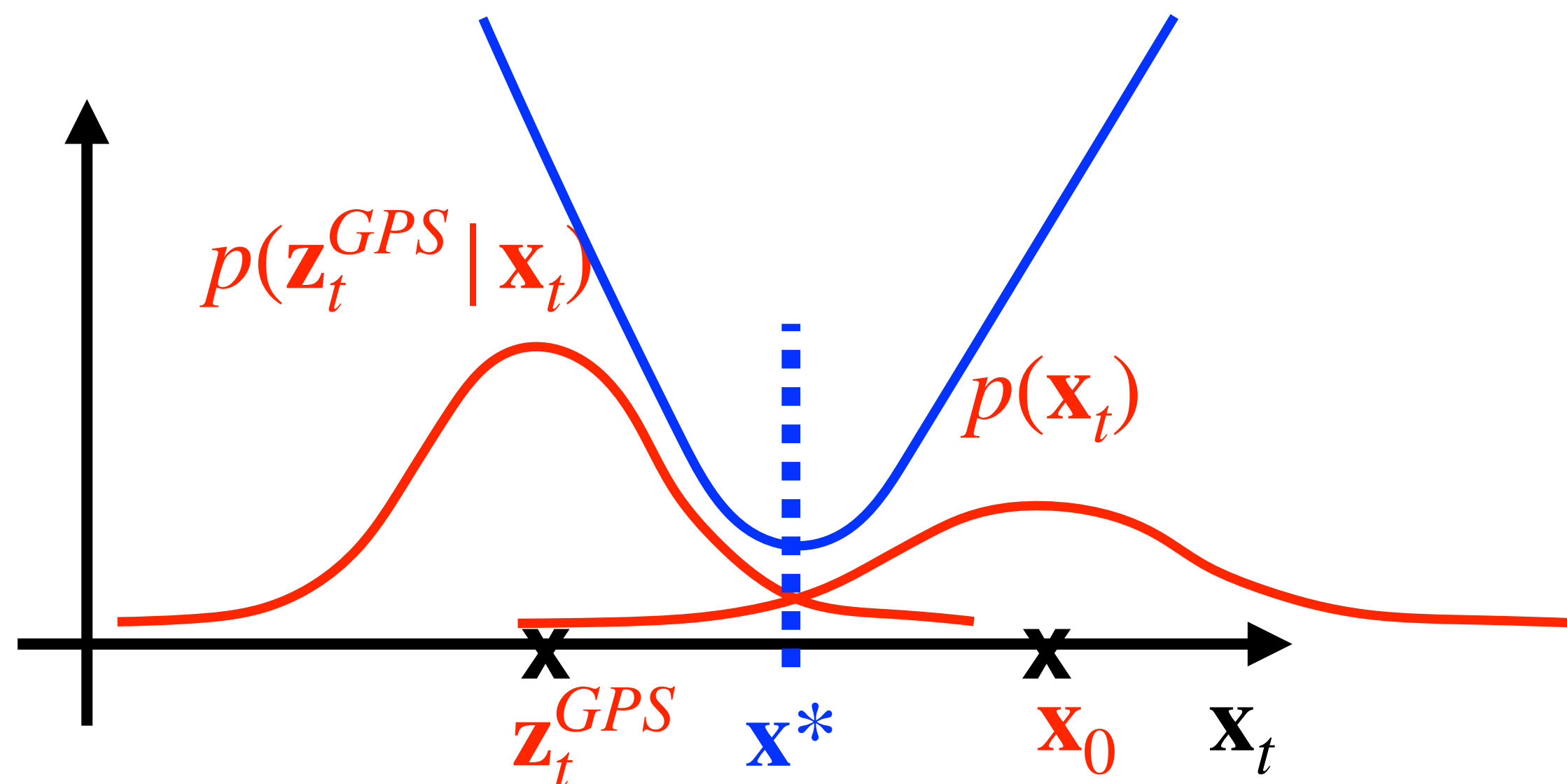
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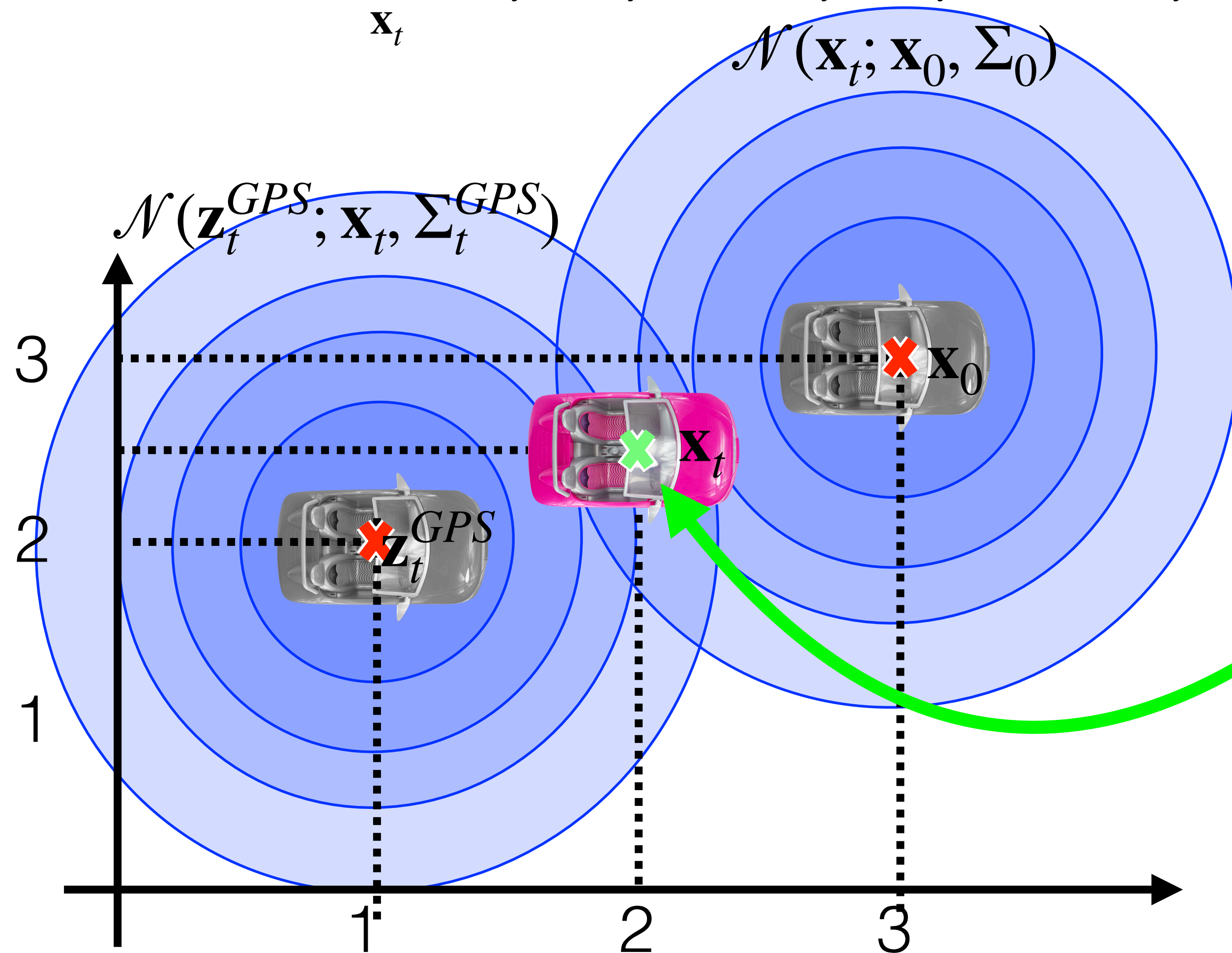
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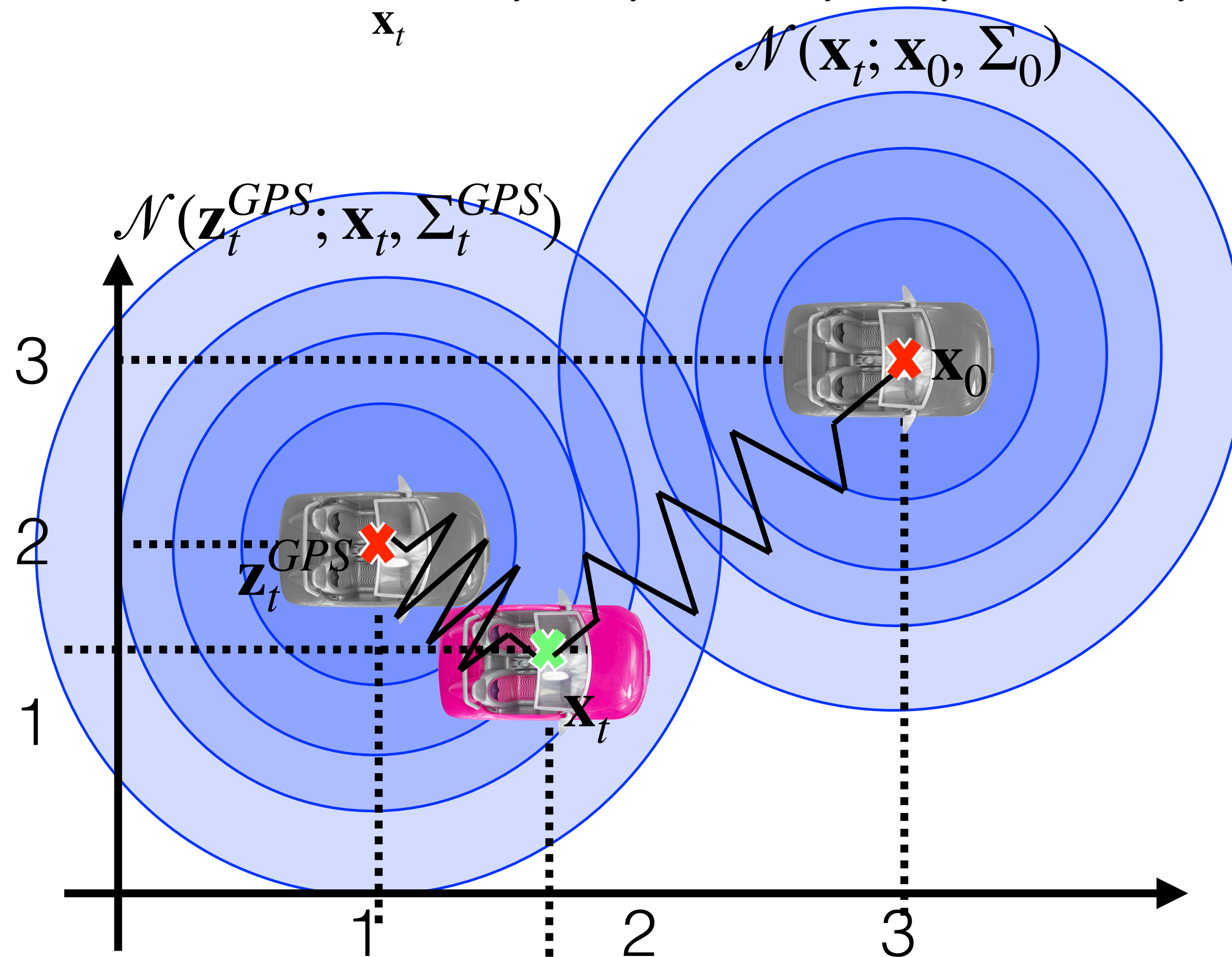


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A = [1, 0; 0, 1; 1, 0; 0, 1]
b = [1; 2; 3; 3]
x = pinv(A)*b
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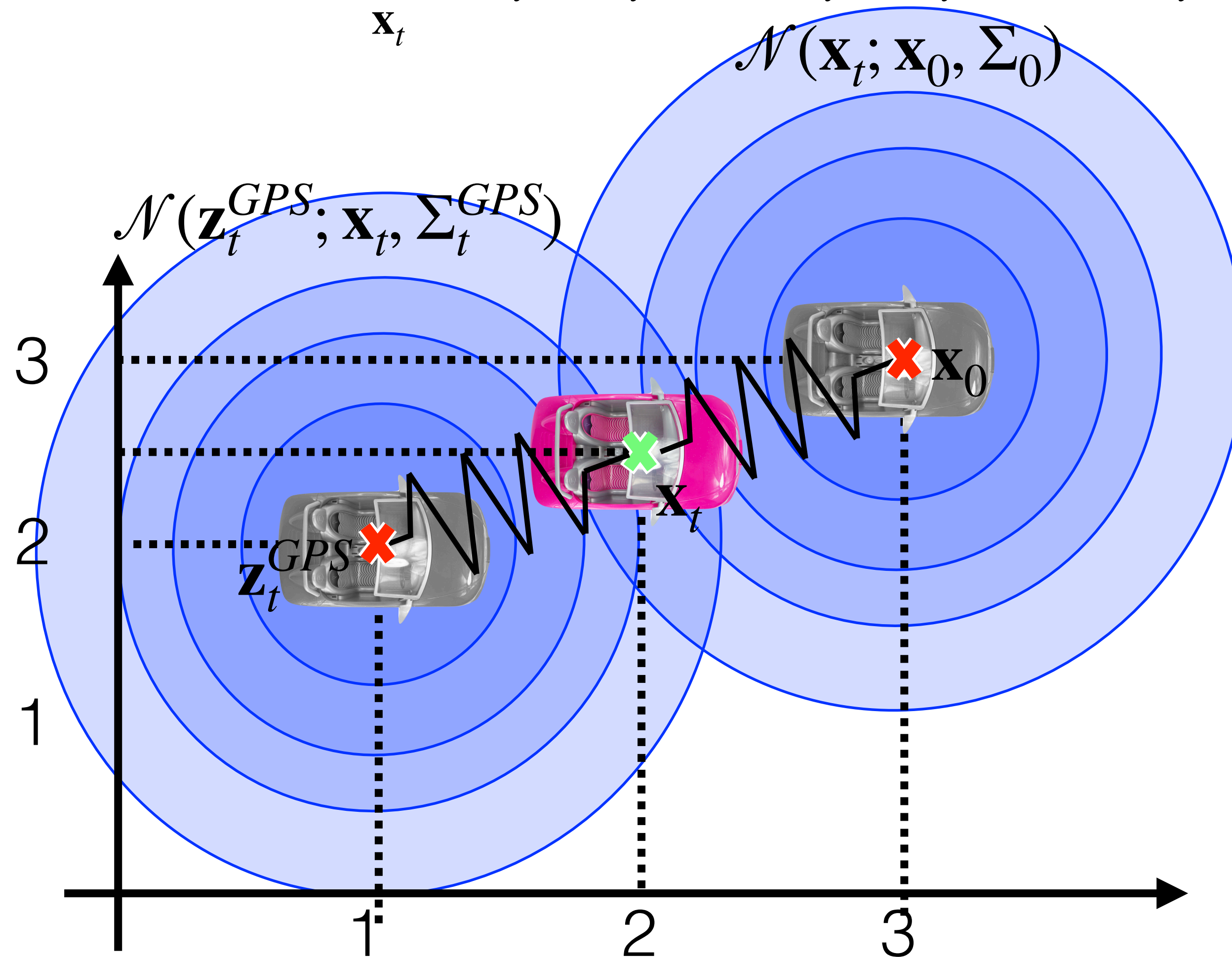
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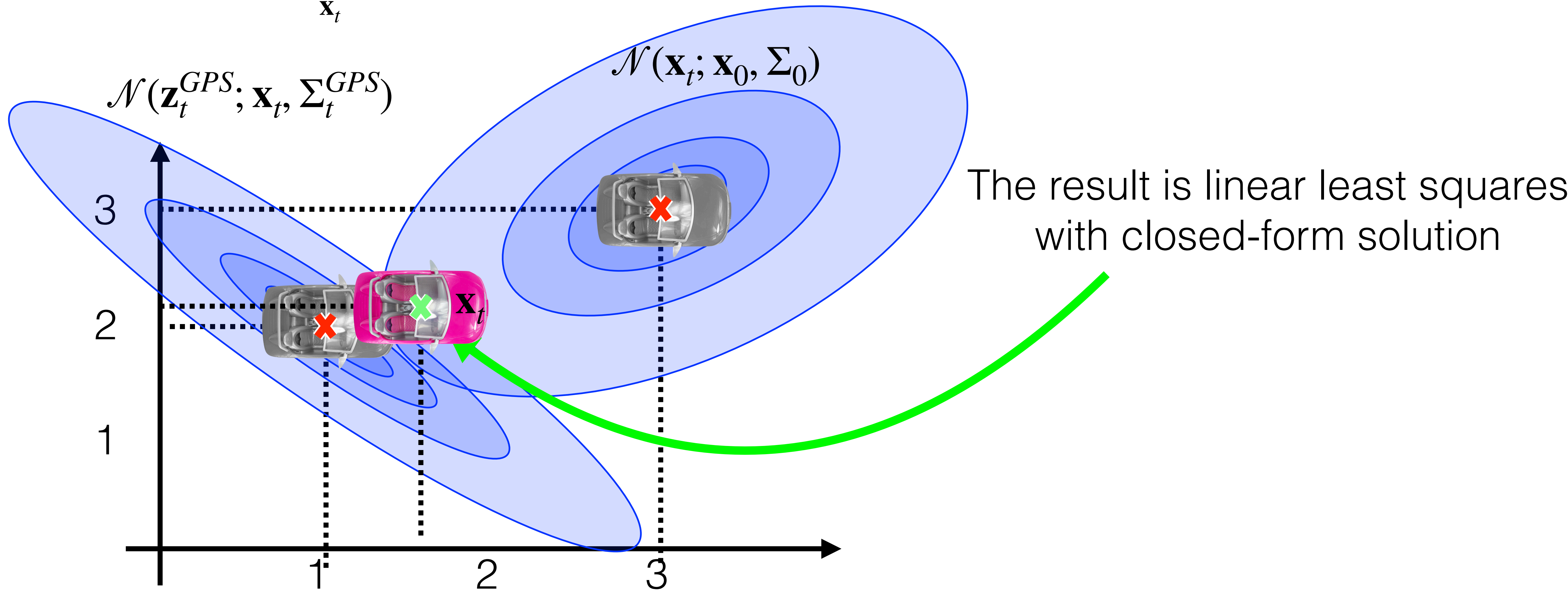
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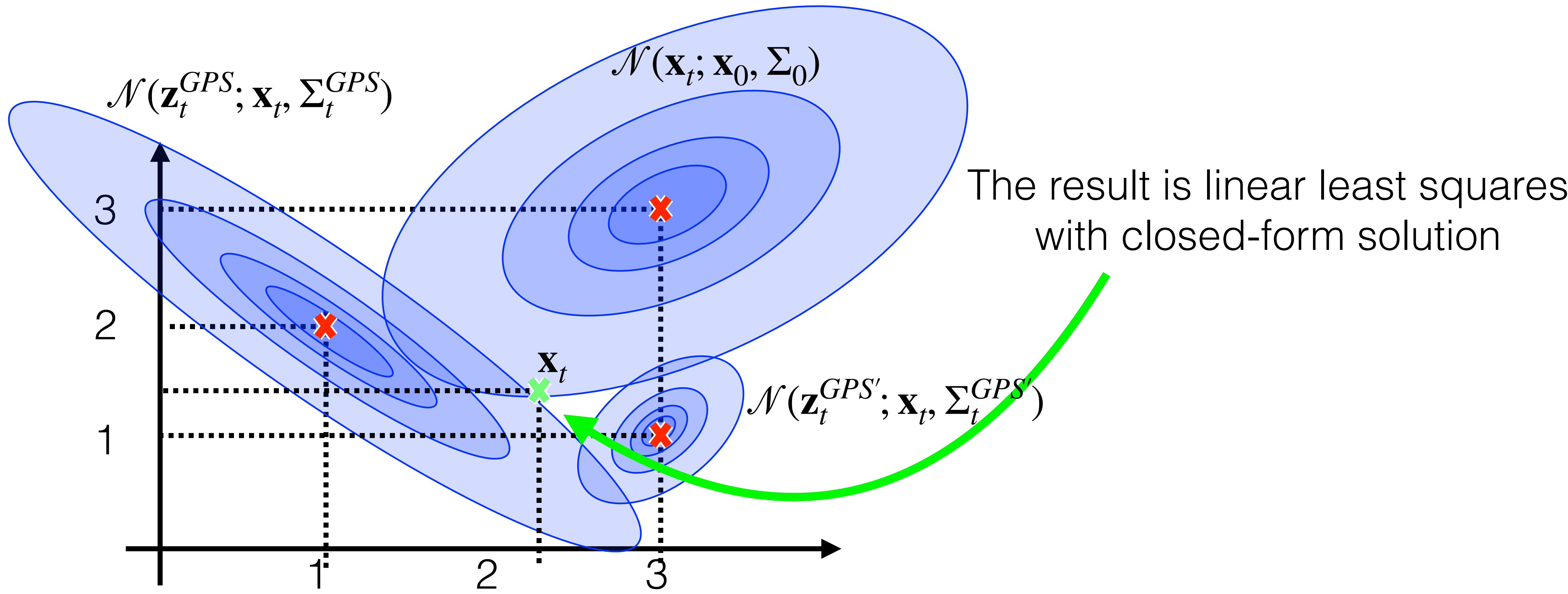
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Multiple time instances

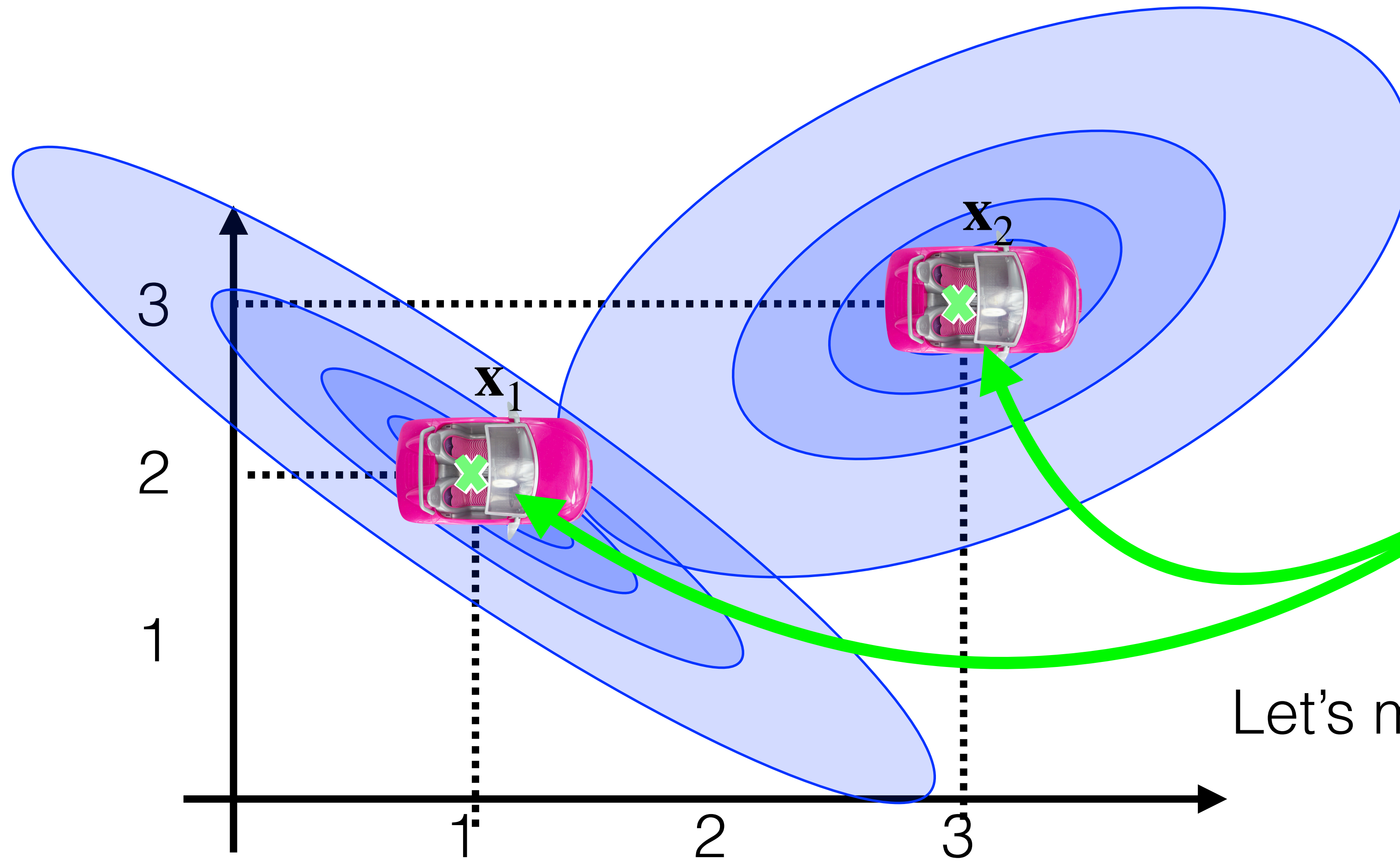
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Absolute pose measurement (e.g. GPS)

Localisation in **multiple time instances**

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x}^* &= \arg \max_{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2} \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{z}_1^{GPS}; \mathbf{x}_1, \Sigma_1^{GPS}) \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{z}_2^{GPS}; \mathbf{x}_2, \Sigma_2^{GPS}) \\ &= \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2} \|\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{z}_1^{GPS}\|_{\Sigma_1^{GPS}}^2 + \|\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{z}_2^{GPS}\|_{\Sigma_2^{GPS}}^2\end{aligned}$$

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The solution splits into two trivial subproblems (no relation between poses is modeled)

Let's model a relation between poses !

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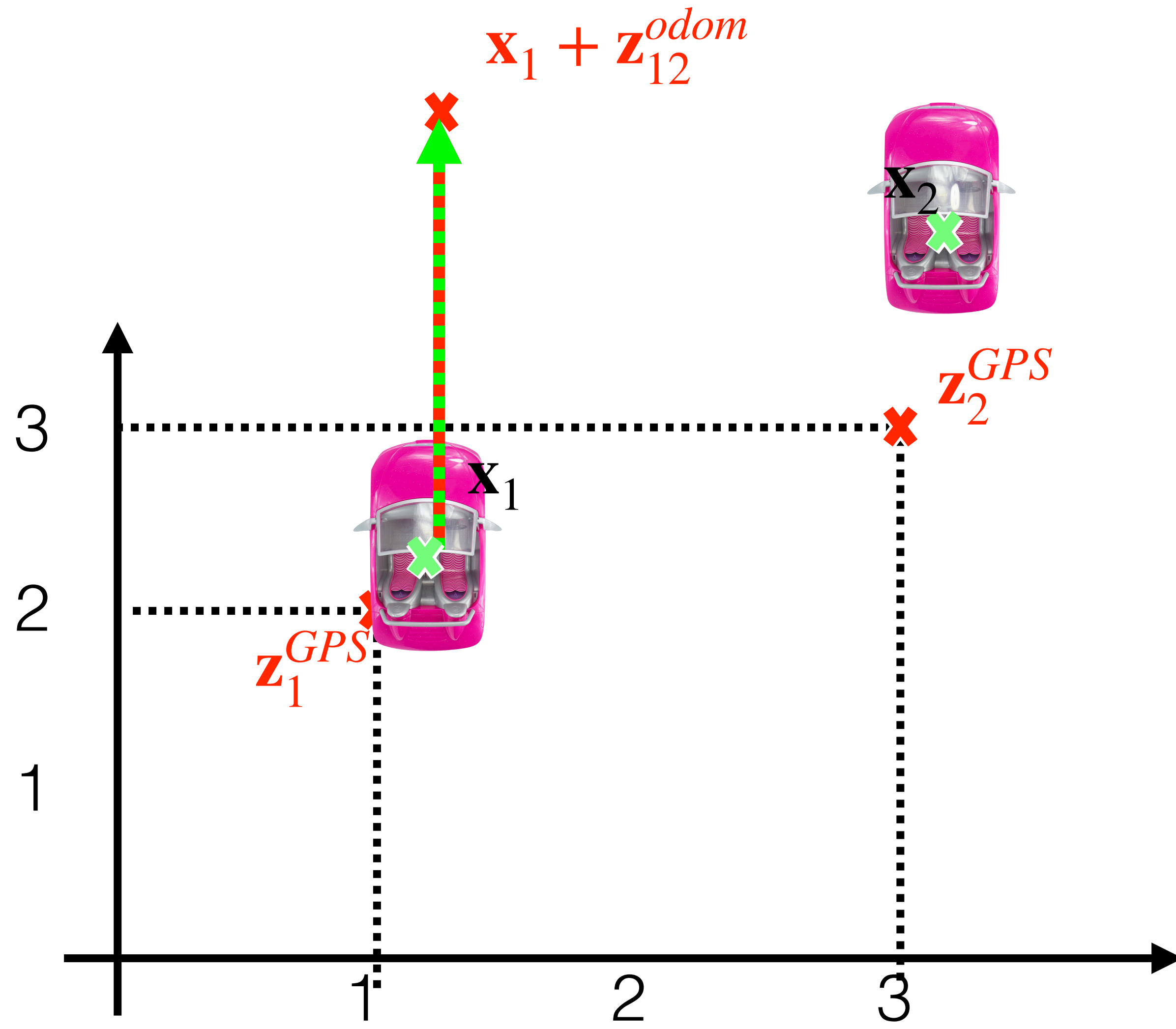
Absolute pose measurement (e.g. GPS)

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Relative pose measurement (e.g. odometry from wheels/IMU/camera/lidar)

2D Localisation in **multiple time instances** from **GPS+odom**

$$\mathbf{x}_1^*, \mathbf{x}_2^* = ???$$



The result is linear least squares problem with closed-form solution

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Assume only two absolute gps measurements and one relative odom. measurement

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$$\downarrow$$
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Uniform prior

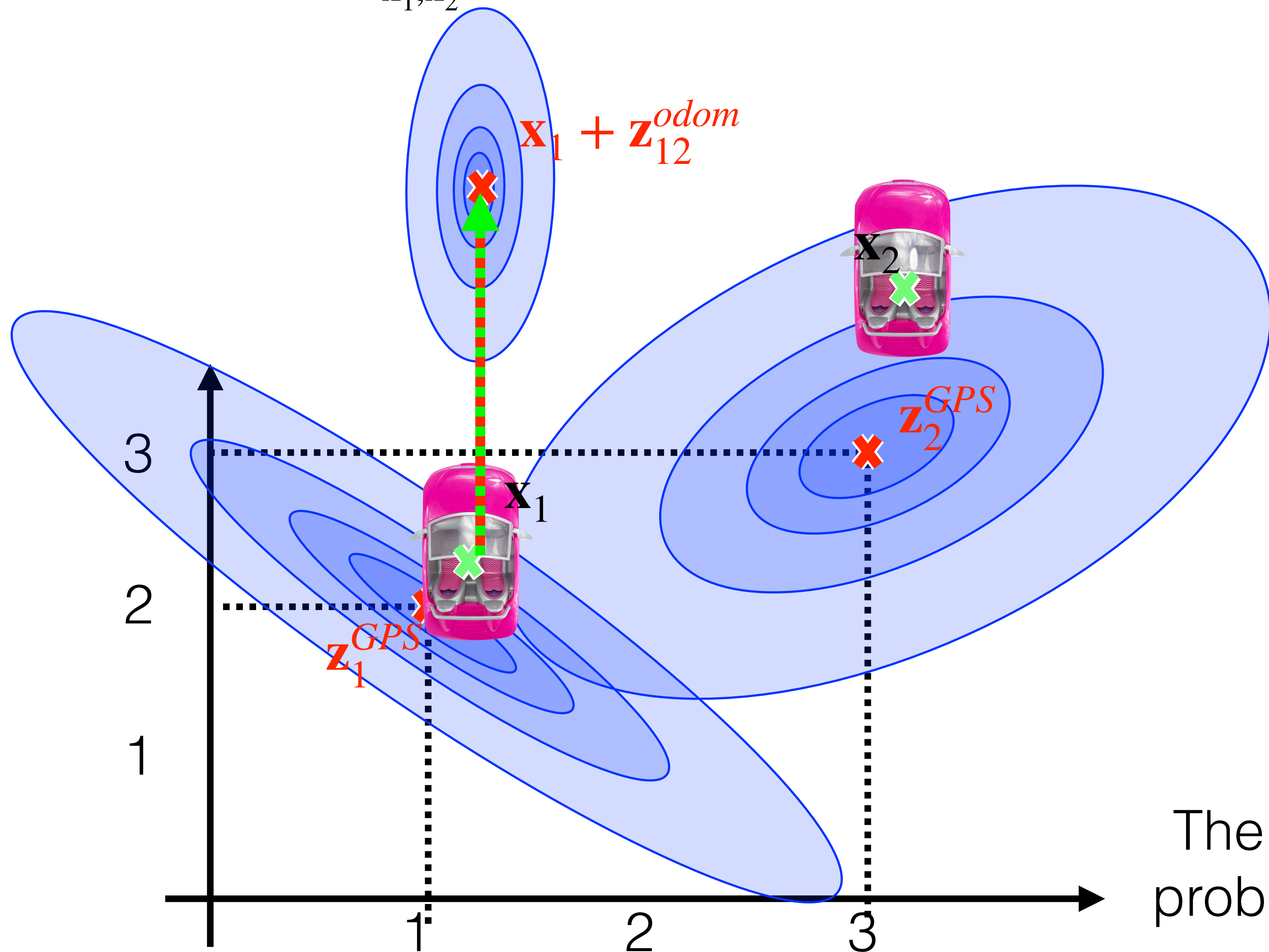
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Normal likelihood

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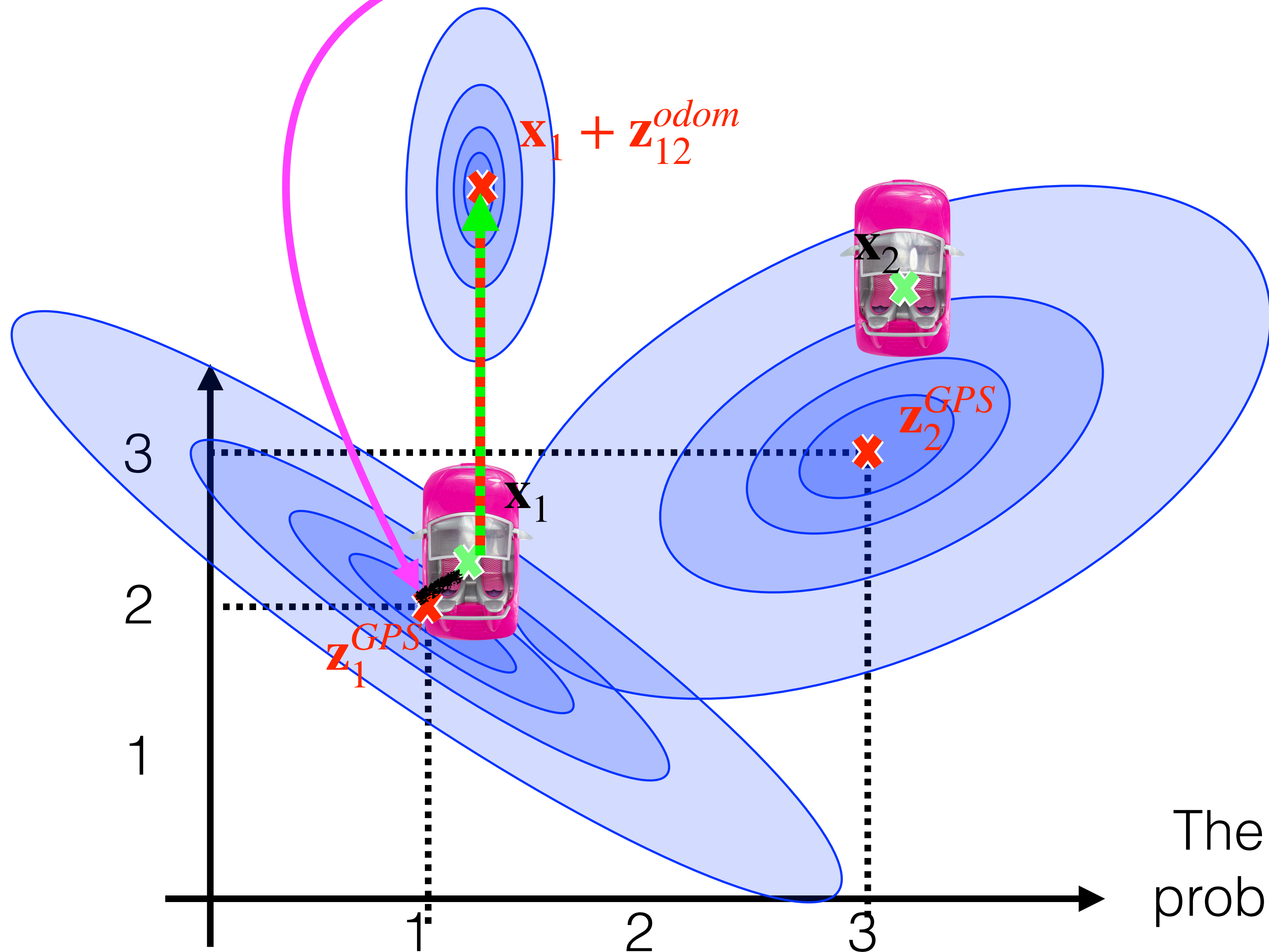
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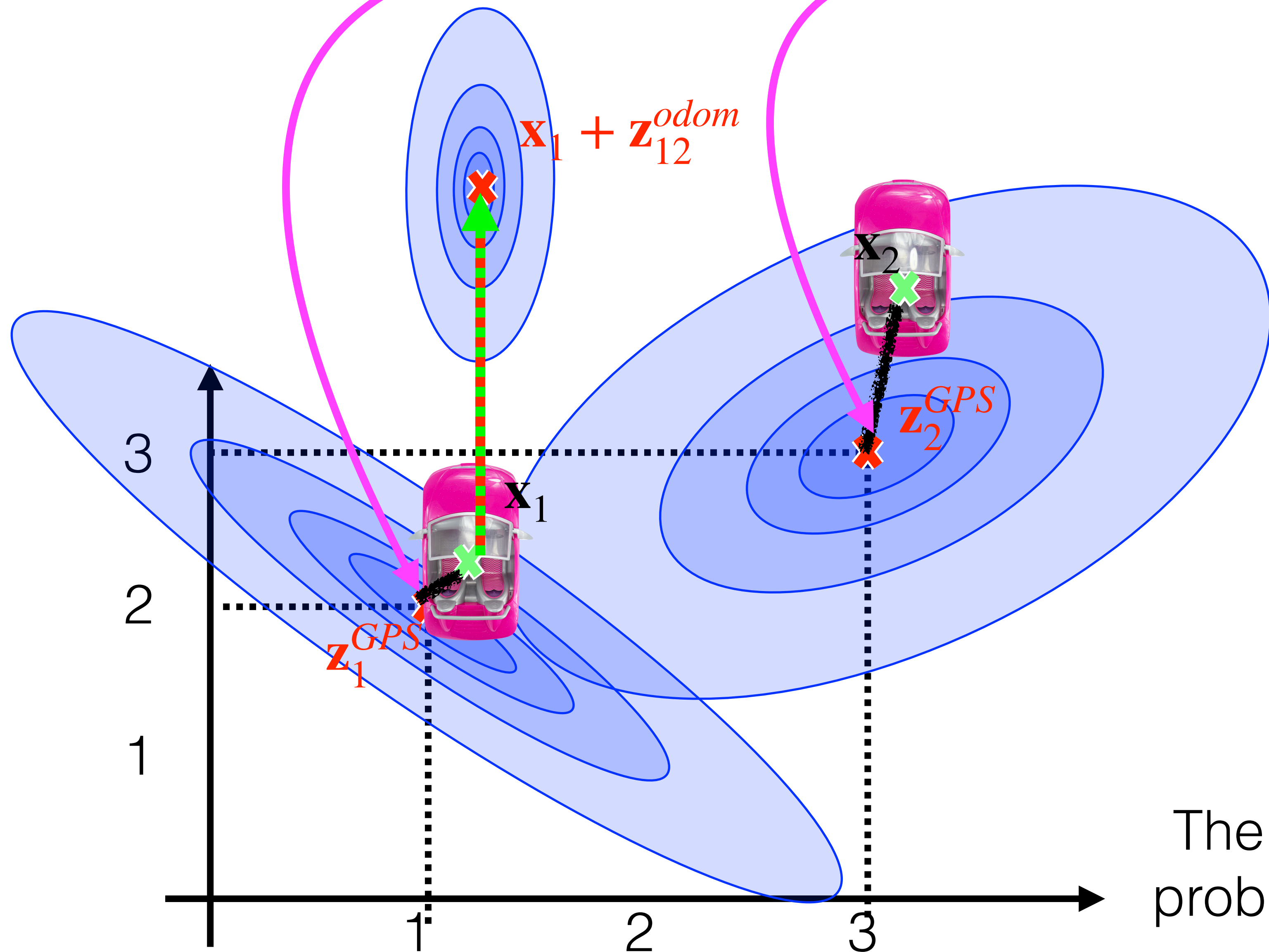
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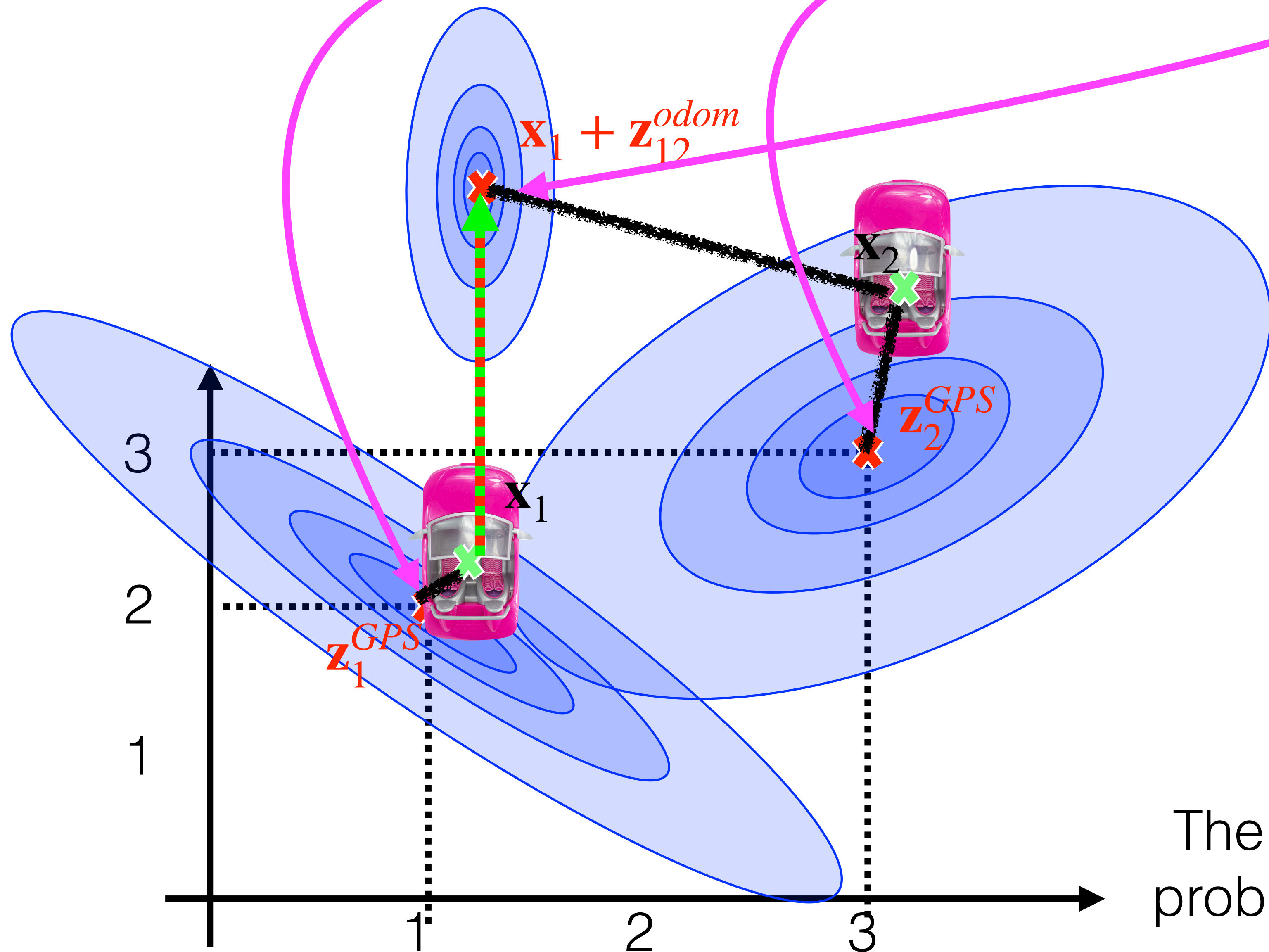
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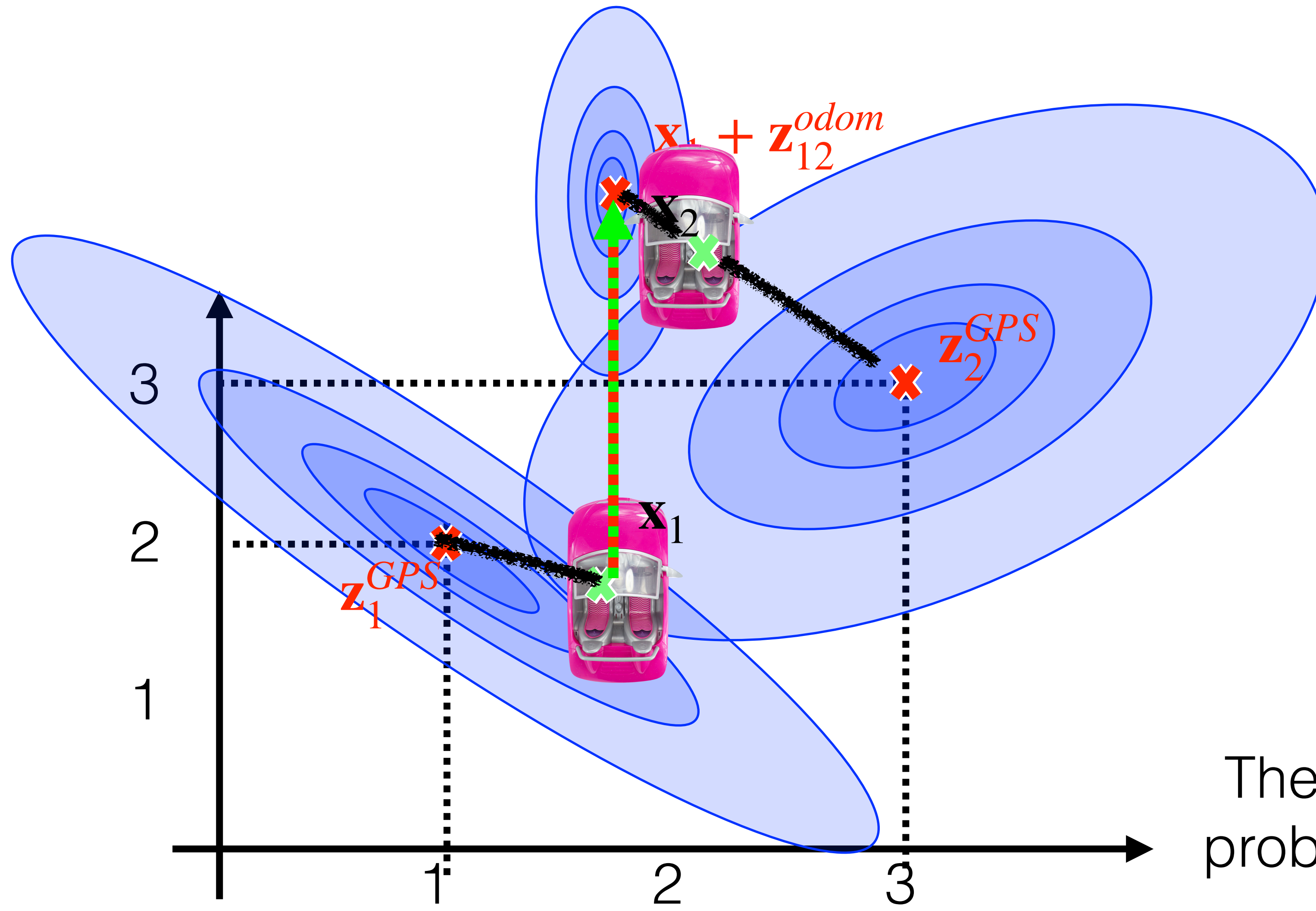
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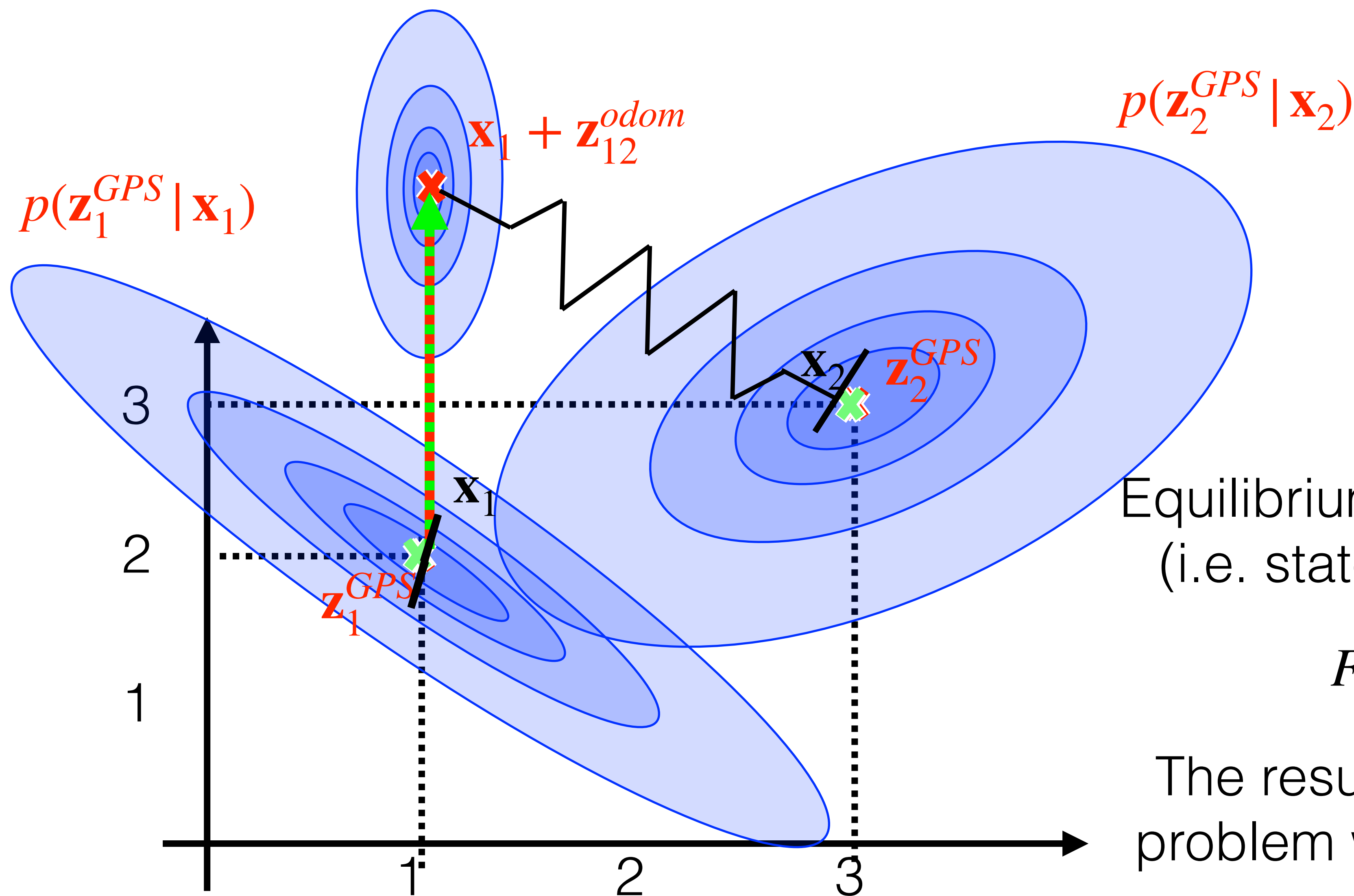
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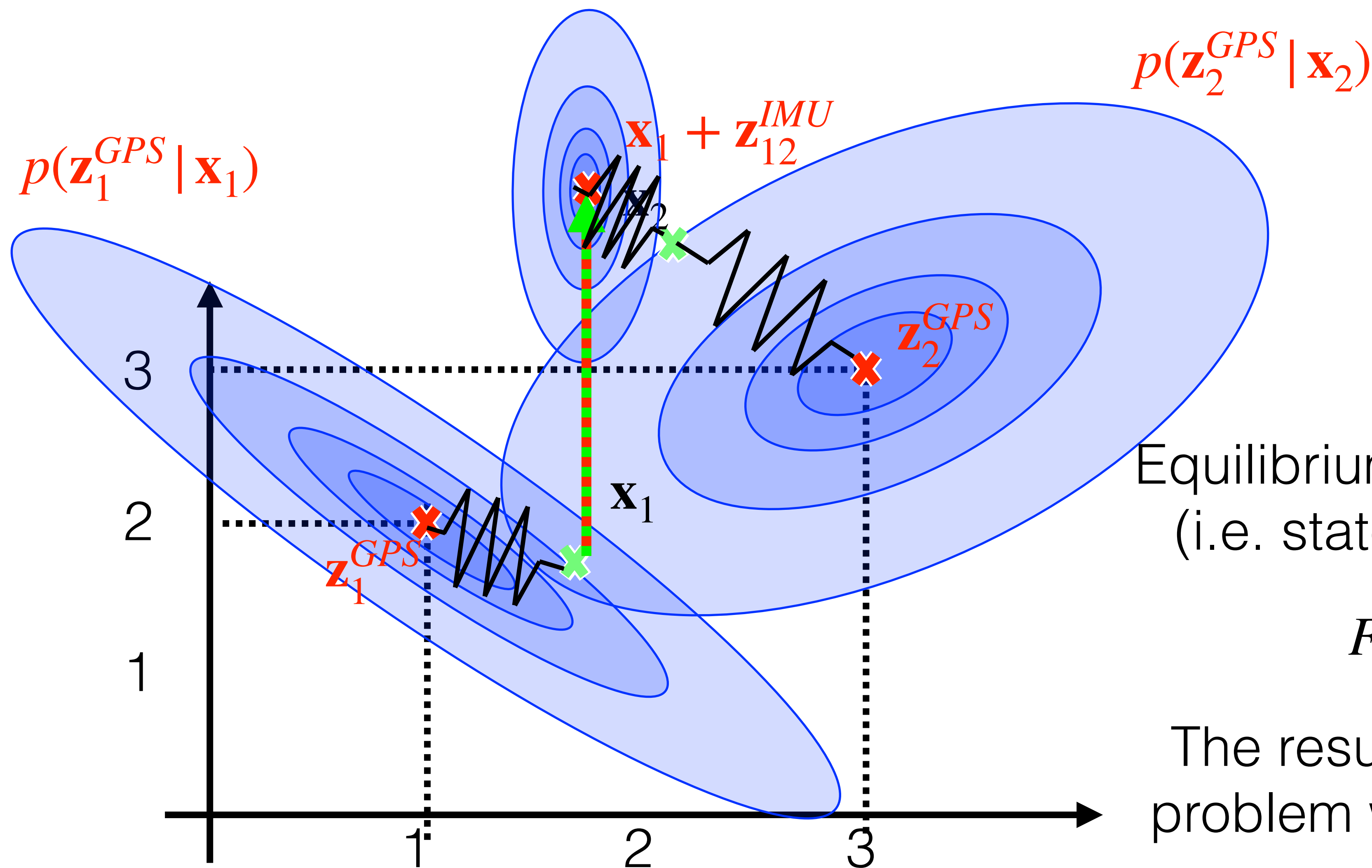
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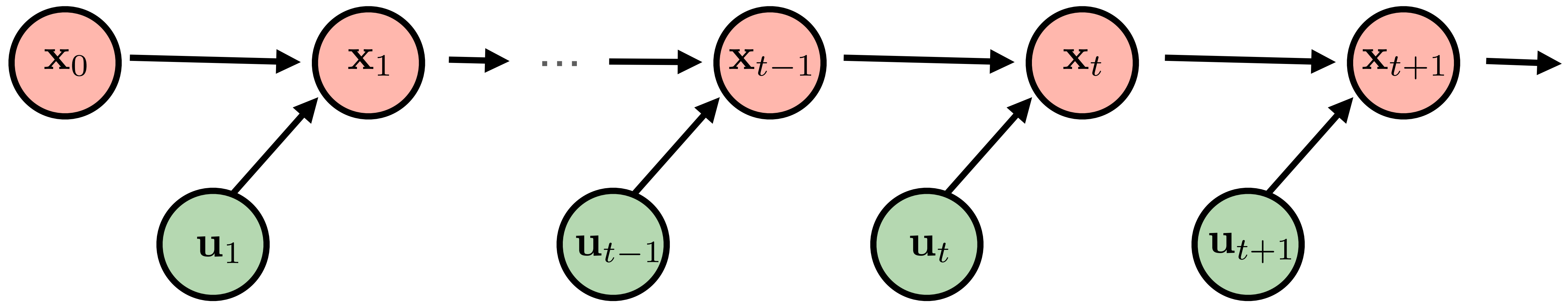
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Motion model

Localisation in **multiple time instances** from **actions and motion model**

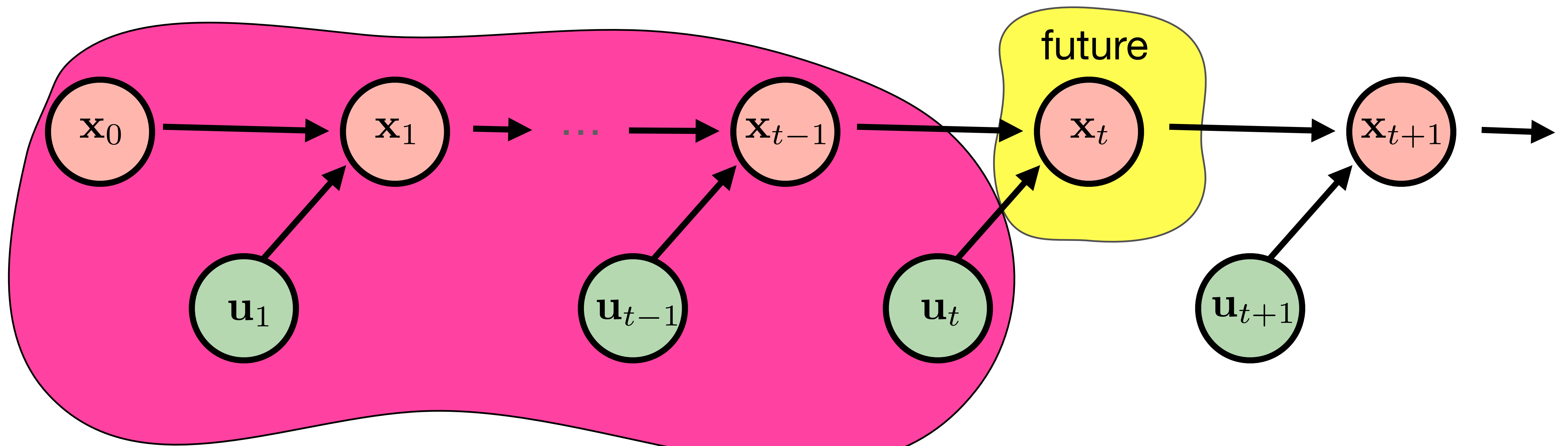
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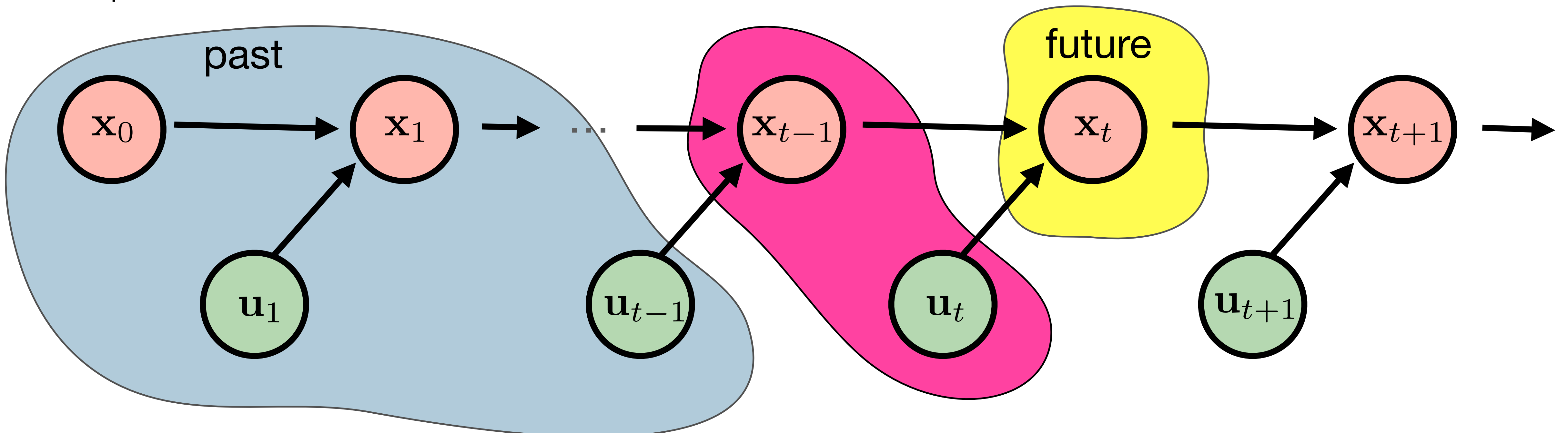
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Markov assumption: $p(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \mathbf{u}_t) = p(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \mathbf{u}_t, \mathbf{x}_{t-2}, \dots, \mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{u}_{t-1}, \dots, \mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{z}_{t-1}, \dots, \mathbf{z}_1)$

Motion model: $\mathbf{x}_t = g(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \mathbf{u}_t) + \epsilon_{\text{noise}}$ (prior about robot's behaviour)

Example: $p(\mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \mathbf{u}_t) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t; g(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \mathbf{u}_t), \Sigma_t^g)$ e.g. linear $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_t; \mathbf{x}_{t-1} + \mathbf{u}_t, \Sigma_t^g)$



Putting measurements and motion model together

Localisation from **actions + GPS + IMU**

Bayes theorem

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Conditional independence of z on u given x

$$\downarrow$$

$$= \arg \max_{\mathbf{x}_0 \dots \mathbf{x}_t} p(\mathbf{z}_1 \dots \mathbf{z}_t | \mathbf{x}_0 \dots \mathbf{x}_t) p(\mathbf{x}_0 \dots \mathbf{x}_t | \mathbf{u}_1 \dots \mathbf{u}_t)$$

Normal likelihoods

$$\downarrow$$

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Non-linear least squares => GN/LN from OPT
`scipy.optimize.least_squares(fun, x0, jac)`

Factor graph

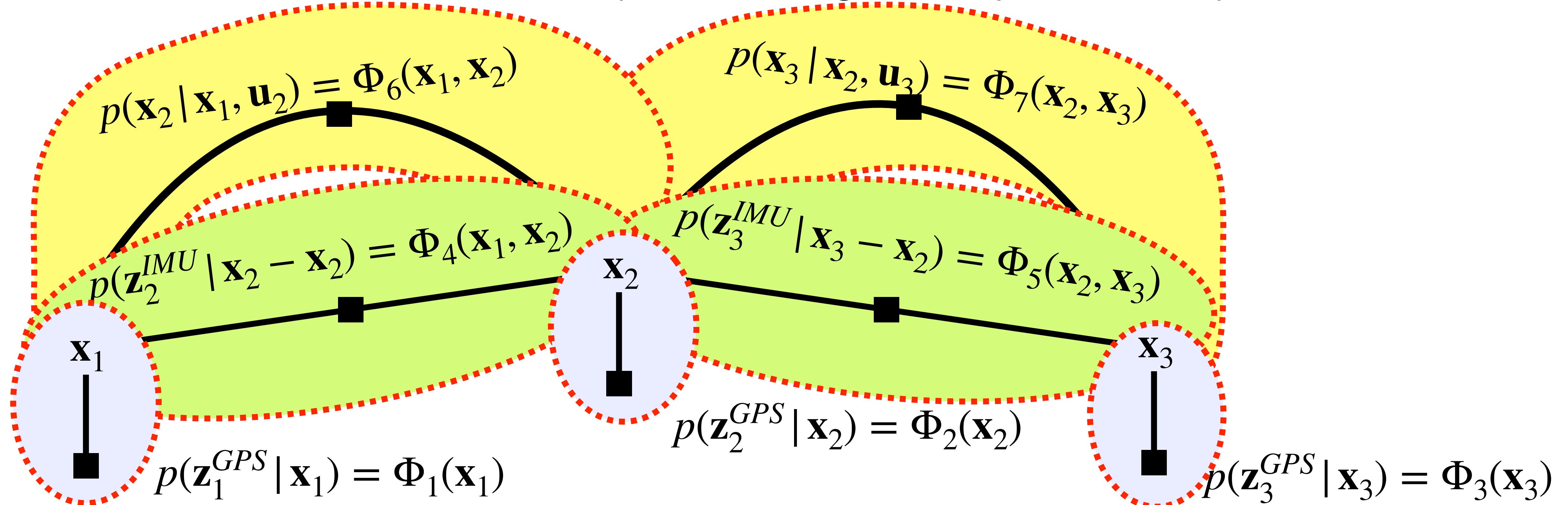
Factor graph

- Design choices (Markov assumption, cond. independence) yielded sparse model

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbf{x}^\star &= \arg \max_{\mathbf{x}_0, \dots, \mathbf{x}_t} \prod_i p(\mathbf{z}_i^{GPS} | \mathbf{x}_i) \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

unary
pair-wise
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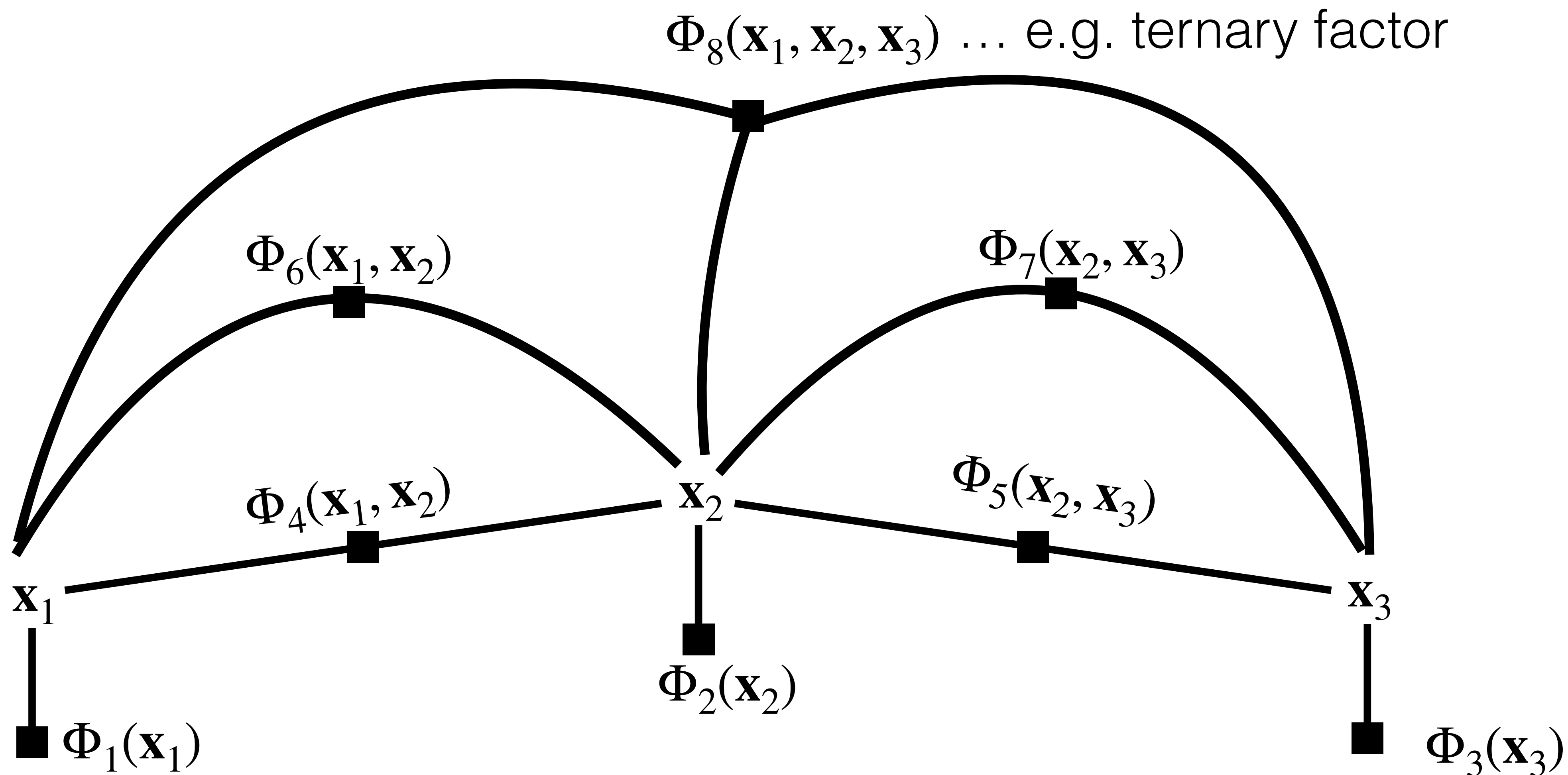
- The structure can be more complicated (e.g. ternary terms, loop closers)



Factor graph

Def: Factor graph is bipartite graph $\mathcal{G} = \{\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E}\}$ with

- Two types of nodes: factors $\Phi_i \in \mathcal{U}$ and variables $\mathbf{x}_j \in \mathcal{V}$.
- Edges $\mathbf{e}_{ij} \in \mathcal{E}$ are always between factor nodes and variable nodes.

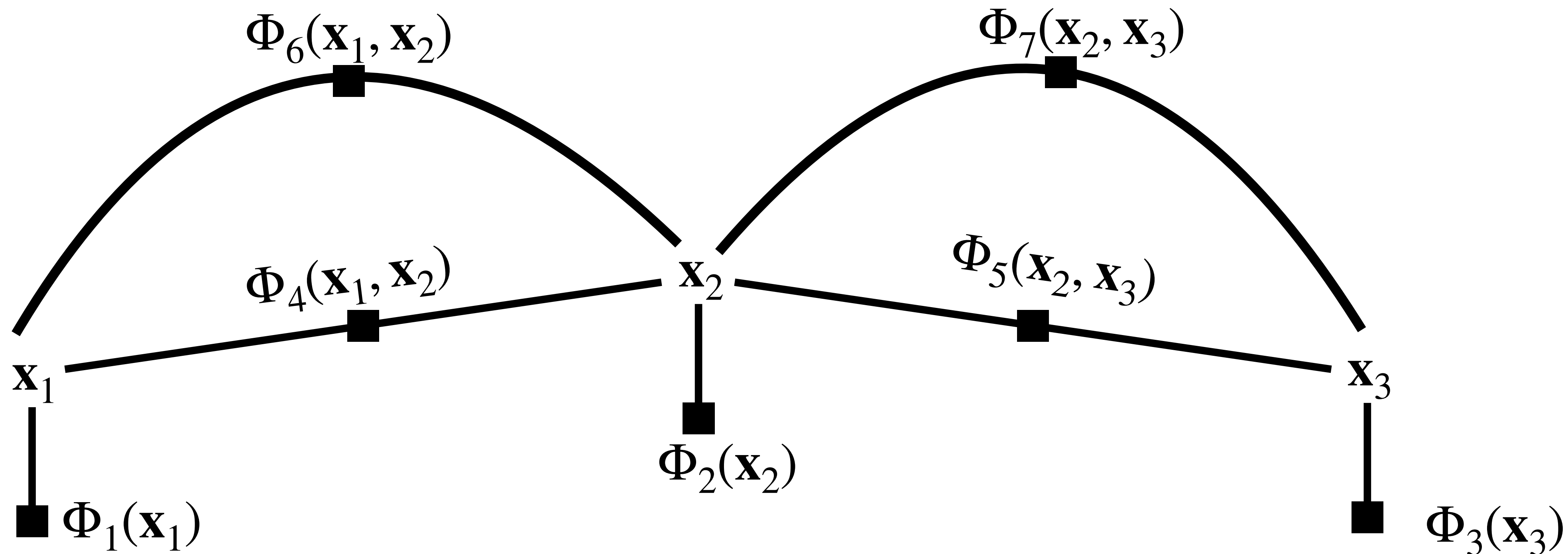


Factor graph

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- Evaluation of unnormalised prob. for given values of variables
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- Graphical model useful for MAP estimation:
 - SLAM
 - optimal control
 - tracking
 - ...

Summary

- **Understand** localisation problem in robotics as MAP estimate of unknown variables
- **Model measurement probability** of simplified IMU and GPS
- **Model state-transition probability** for linear and nonlinear motion models
- **Write down optimisation** criterion in negative log-space for gaussian prob. distr.
- **Solve** underlying opt. problem using least squares / gradient descend algorithm in your favourite optimisation tool (MATLAB, Scipy, Pytorch, Julia, Mosek)
- **Next lecture:** Adds rotation and solve the optimization in SO2 manifold

- **Optional HW:**
 $\mathbf{z}_1^{GPS} = [1,2]^T$, $\mathbf{z}_2^{GPS} = [3,2]^T$, $\mathbf{z}_3^{GPS} = [3,3]^T$ Absolute measurements
 $\mathbf{z}_1^{odom} = [1,1]^T$, $\mathbf{z}_2^{odom} = [1,1]^T$, $\mathbf{z}_3^{odom} = [1,1]^T$ Relative measurements
 $\mathbf{u}_1 = [1,1]^T$, $\mathbf{u}_2 = [1,1]^T$, $\mathbf{u}_3 = [1,0]^T$, Actions
 $\mathbf{x}_0 = [0,0]^T$, $\mathbf{x}_1 = ?$, $\mathbf{x}_2 = ?$, $\mathbf{x}_3 = ?$ States
 $\mathbf{x}_t = g(\mathbf{x}_{t-1}, \mathbf{u}_t) + \epsilon_{noise} = \mathbf{x}_{t-1} + \mathbf{u}_t + \epsilon_{noise}$ Motion model
All probs are 2D Gaussians with $\Sigma_t^{GPS} = \Sigma_t^{odom} = \Sigma_t^g = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$