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RIGOROUS OPTIMAL UNCERTAINTY QUANTIFICATION & OPTIMIZATION

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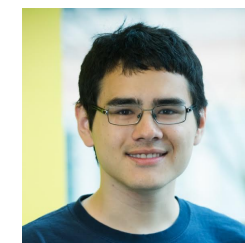
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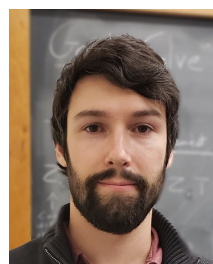
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Optimal Uncertainty Quantification (OUQ)

Admissible Set of
Measures

$$\mathcal{A} = \left\{ \mu \left| \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{x} \in \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d \\ \mathbb{E}[\varphi_j(\mathbf{x}) \mid \mu] \leq c_j \quad \text{for } j = 1, \dots, N \end{array} \right. \right\}$$

Bound Expectation
of Quantity of
Interest

“Tightest” possible
bounds

∞ -D Optimization

$$\underbrace{\inf_{\mu \in \mathcal{A}} \mathbb{E}[g(\mathbf{x}) \mid \mu]}_{\underline{\xi}(\mathcal{A})} \leq \mathbb{E}[g(\mathbf{x}) \mid \mu^*] \leq \underbrace{\sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{A}} \mathbb{E}[g(\mathbf{x}) \mid \mu]}_{\bar{\xi}(\mathcal{A})}$$

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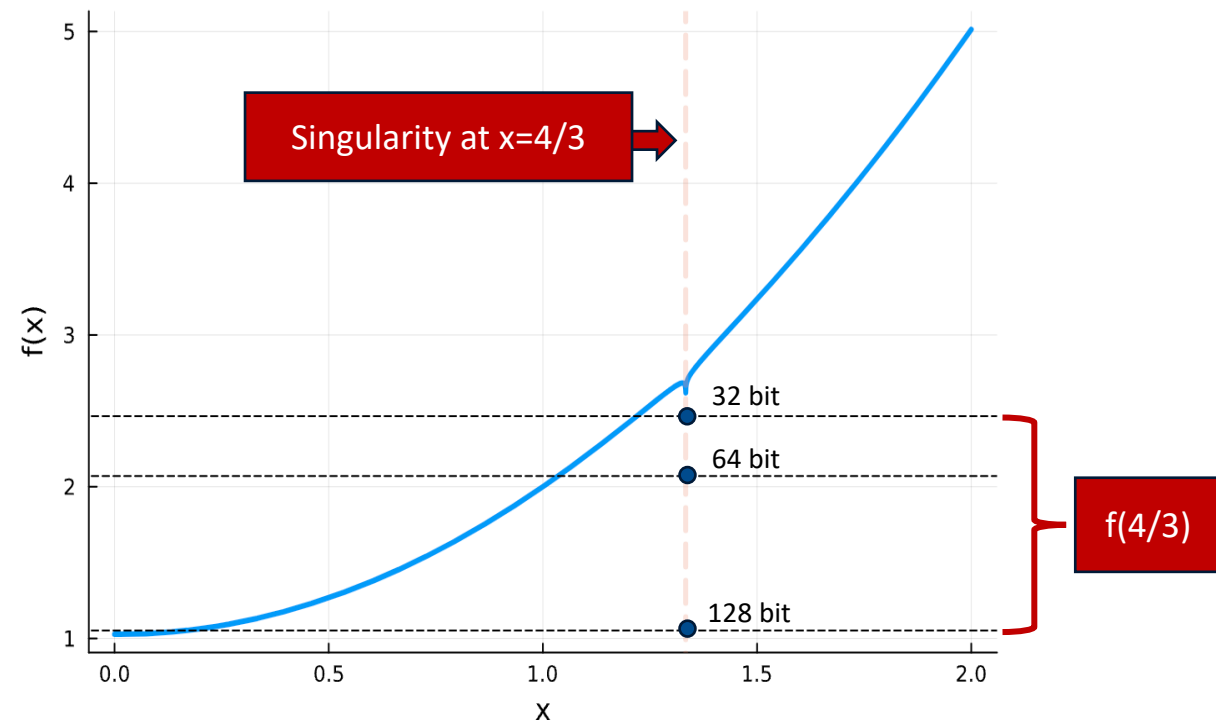
OUQ & Neumaier's classification of algorithms

$$\inf_{\mu \in \mathcal{A}} \mathbb{E}[g(\mathbf{x}) \mid \mu] \leq \mathbb{E}[g(\mathbf{x}) \mid \mu^*] \leq \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{A}} \mathbb{E}[g(\mathbf{x}) \mid \mu]$$

Complete: Reaches global minima within prescribed tol. in finite t *within floating point precision*

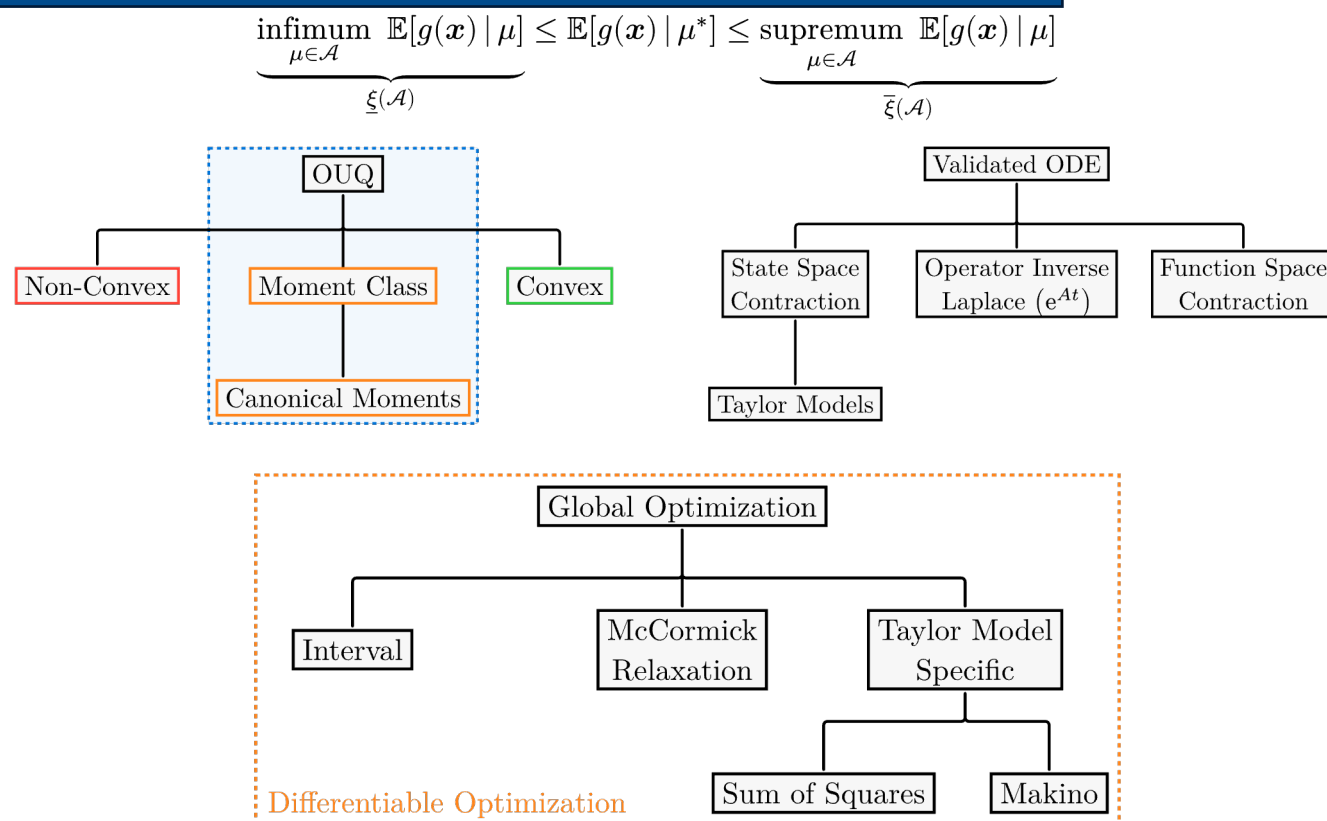
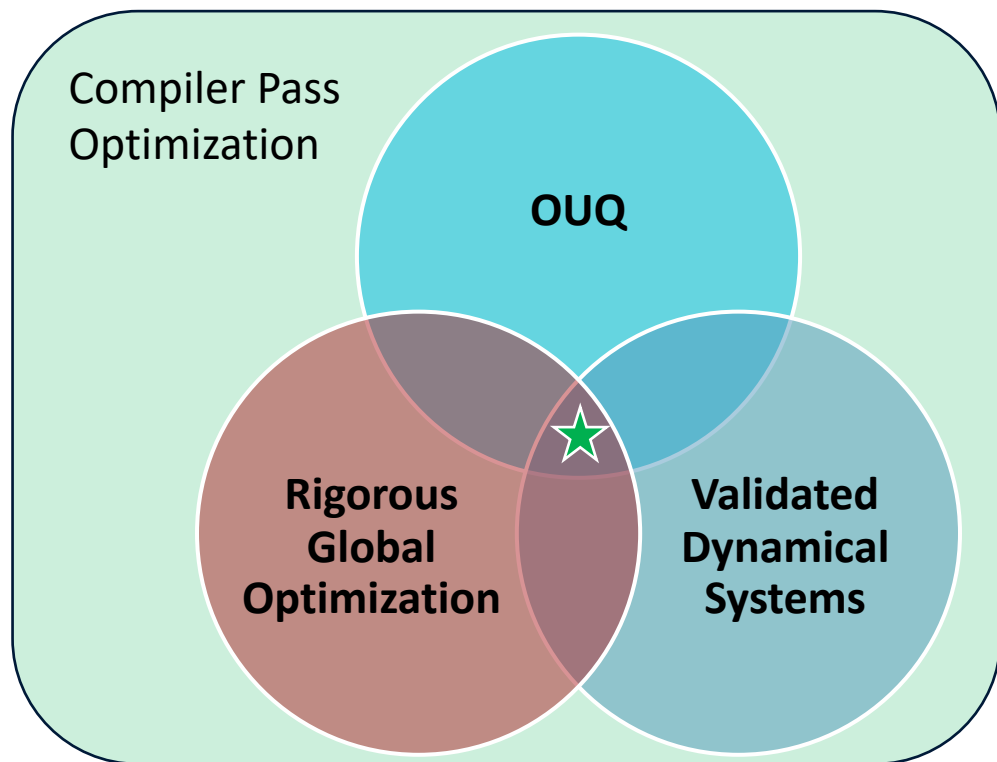
Rigorous: Reaches global minima within prescribed tol. in finite t *despite rounding errors*.

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{51} \log(|3(1-x) + 1|) + x^2 + 1$$



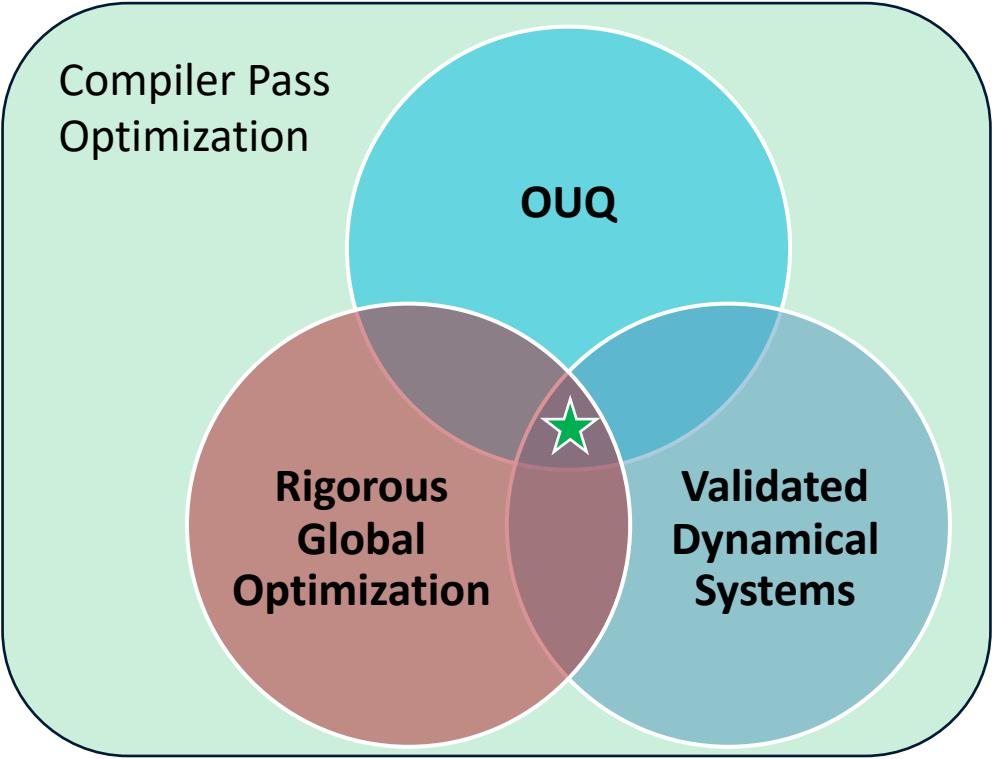
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Why Compiler Pass Optimizations?

Rigorous Interval Arithmetic is Sub-Distributive

$$a(b + c) \subseteq ab + ac, \quad a, b, c \in \mathbb{IR}$$

$$[\text{LB}^*, \text{UB}^*] = \cap_i \rho_i(\mathcal{A}), \rho_i \in \mathfrak{P} \quad \text{Set of equiv. programs}$$

“Quadratic Eq.” $-b \pm \text{sign}(b) \frac{\sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$ VS $\frac{2c}{-b \pm \text{sign}(b) \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}$

“Tightest” upper bounding code \neq “Tightest” lower bounding code



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Year 1:

- Enable computationally rigorous OUQ for certification & prediction of codes modeling dynamical systems
 - Rigorous Polynomial Approximation (RPAs) + Rigorous Global Optimization
 - Develop composable computational tools to support this research.

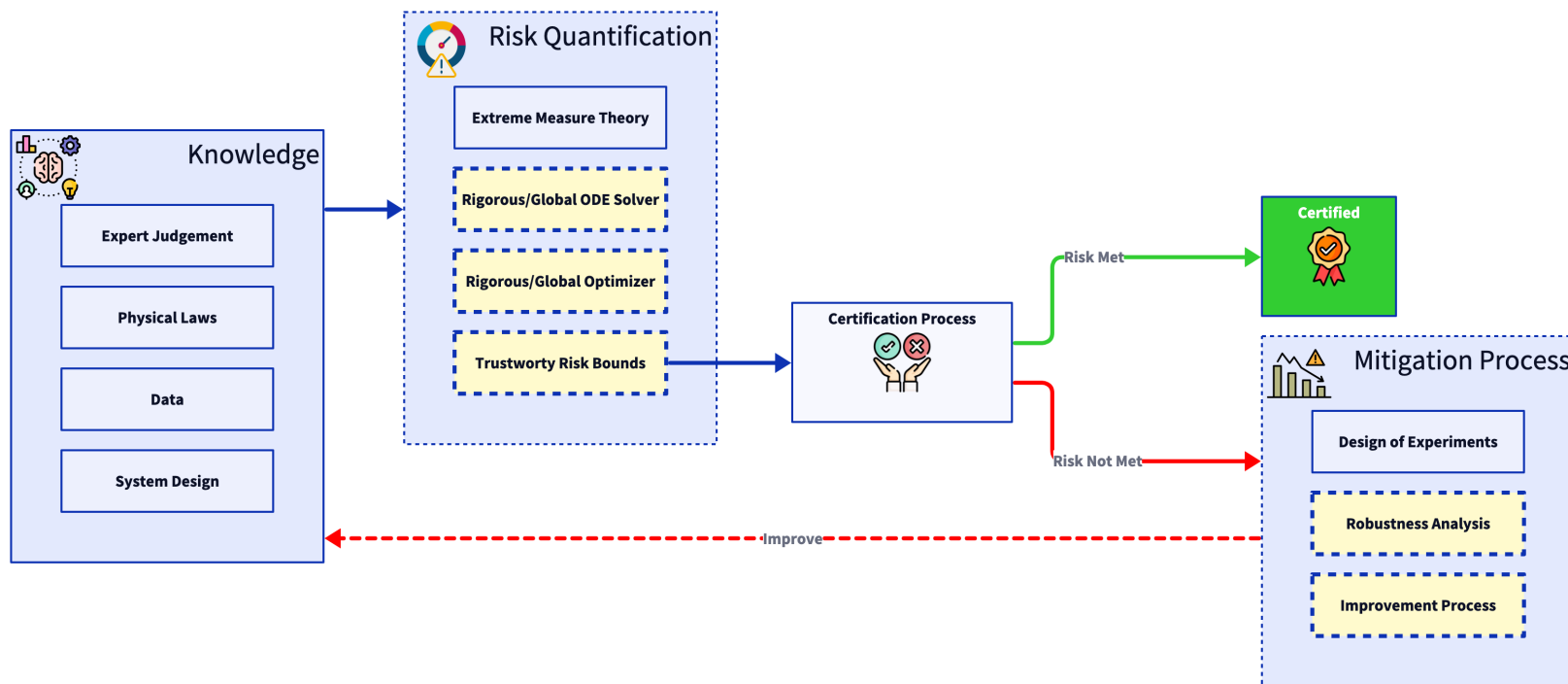
Years 2 & 3:

- Quantify the uncertainty introduced by finite computation & how the rigorous computing framework impacts this uncertainty.
- Quantify the sensitivity/robustness of rigorous bounds wrt the problem structure and the RPA used.
- Develop automatic code transformation tools to optimize expression trees to minimize the effects of over-approximation induced by RPAs.

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Tractable OUQ Induced by Dynamical Systems



Tractable OUQ

Extreme Measure Theorem [1,2]
The measure that extremizes expectation is discrete and supported on at most N+1 points

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{A} &= \left\{ \mu \left| \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{x} \in \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d \\ \mathbb{E}[\varphi_j(\mathbf{x}) | \mu] \leq c_j \quad \text{for } j = 1, \dots, N \end{array} \right. \right\} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \mathcal{A}_\Delta = \left\{ \mu = \sum_i^{N+1} w_i \delta_{\mathbf{x}_i} \left| \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{x}_i \in \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, N+1 \\ w_i \in [0, 1] \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, N+1 \\ \sum_i^{N+1} w_i = 1 \\ \sum_i^{N+1} w_i \varphi_j(\mathbf{x}_i) \leq c_j \quad \text{for } j = 1, \dots, N \end{array} \right. \right\} \\
 \underbrace{\inf_{\mu \in \mathcal{A}} \mathbb{E}[g(\mathbf{x}) | \mu]}_{\underline{\xi}(\mathcal{A})} \leq \mathbb{E}[g(\mathbf{x}) | \mu^*] \leq \underbrace{\sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{A}} \mathbb{E}[g(\mathbf{x}) | \mu]}_{\bar{\xi}(\mathcal{A})} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \underbrace{\inf_{\mu \in \mathcal{A}_\Delta} \sum_{i=1}^{N+1} w_i g(\mathbf{x}_i)}_{\underline{\xi}(\mathcal{A}_\Delta)} \leq \mathbb{E}[g(\mathbf{x}) | \mu^*] \leq \underbrace{\sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{A}_\Delta} \sum_{i=1}^{N+1} w_i g(\mathbf{x}_i)}_{\bar{\xi}(\mathcal{A}_\Delta)}
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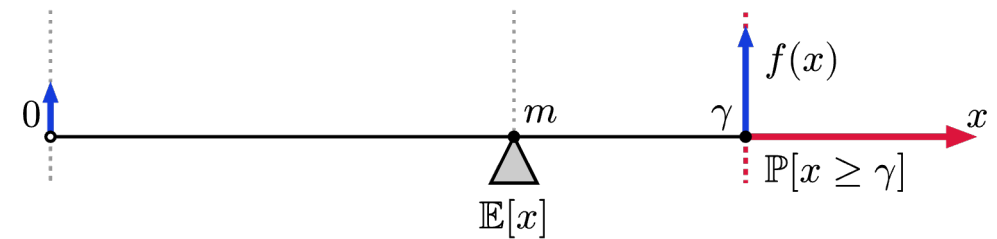
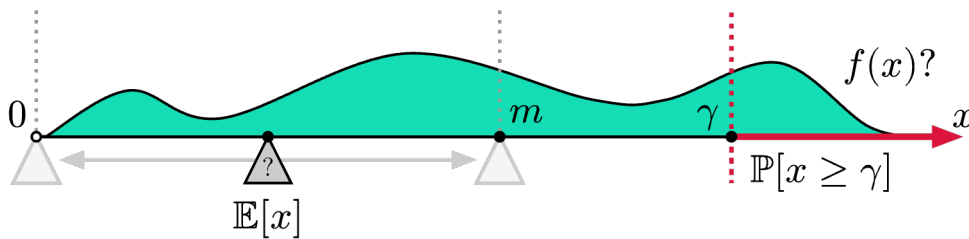


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$$\sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{A}} \mathbb{P}[x \geq \gamma \mid \mu]$$

$$\mathbb{E}[x] \leq m, \text{ for } 0 < m \leq \gamma$$



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OUQ with Uncertain Response

- Extend Admissible Set to Include Sets of Response Functions

$$\mathcal{A} = \left\{ (\mu, g) \left| \begin{array}{l} g \in \mathcal{G} \\ \mathbf{x} \in \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d \\ \mathbb{E}[\varphi_j(\mathbf{x}) | \mu] \leq c_j \quad \text{for } j = 1, \dots, N \end{array} \right. \right\}$$

$$\inf_{(\mu, g) \in \mathcal{A}} \mathbb{E}[g(\mathbf{x}) | \mu] \leq \mathbb{E}[g^*(\mathbf{x}) | \mu^*] \leq \sup_{(\mu, g) \in \mathcal{A}} \mathbb{E}[g(\mathbf{x}) | \mu],$$



OUQ Induced by Dynamical Systems

- Exploit Adjoint relationship with the Push-Forward & Pull-Back Operators
(Frobenius-Perron) (Koopman)

$$\mathbb{E}[g \mid P\mu] = \mathbb{E}[Kg \mid \mu]$$

Push-Forward

Pull-Back

$$Kg = g \circ S$$
$$S(\mathbf{x}_k) = \mathbf{x}_{k+1}$$

Push-Forward Ambiguity Set [1]	$\inf_{\mu \in P\mathcal{A}} \mathbb{E}[g \mid \mu] \leq \mathbb{E}[g \mid \mu^*] \leq \sup_{\mu \in P\mathcal{A}} \mathbb{E}[g \mid \mu]$
Push-Forward Measure	$\inf_{\mu \in \mathcal{A}} \mathbb{E}[g \mid P\mu] \leq \mathbb{E}[g \mid P\mu^*] \leq \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{A}} \mathbb{E}[g \mid P\mu]$
★ Pull-Back QoI	$\inf_{\mu \in \mathcal{A}} \mathbb{E}[Kg \mid \mu] \leq \mathbb{E}[Kg \mid \mu^*] \leq \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{A}} \mathbb{E}[Kg \mid \mu]$

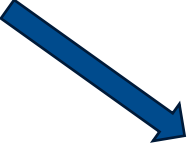
[1] Aolaritei, L., Lanzetti, N., Chen, H., and Dörfler, F., “Distributional Uncertainty Propagation via Optimal Transport.” <https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2205.00343>




OUQ Induced by Dynamical Systems


- Exploit Adjoint relationship with the Push-Forward & Pull-Back Operators

$$\dot{x} = F(x), \quad x(0) = x_0$$


$$S_t(x_0) = x(t) = x_0 + \int_0^t F(x(\tau)) d\tau, \quad \text{for } t \geq 0.$$

What if S_t is only known implicitly?


$$\{K_t\}_{t \geq 0}$$
$$K_t g = g \circ S_t$$

 Pull-Back QoI	$\inf_{\mu \in \mathcal{A}} \mathbb{E}[K_t g \mu] \leq \mathbb{E}[K_t g \mu^*] \leq \sup_{\mu \in \mathcal{A}} \mathbb{E}[K_t g \mu]$
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How do we account for effects of finite computation?
(Spatial, Temporal, Floating Point Discretization)

OUQ via Moment Class

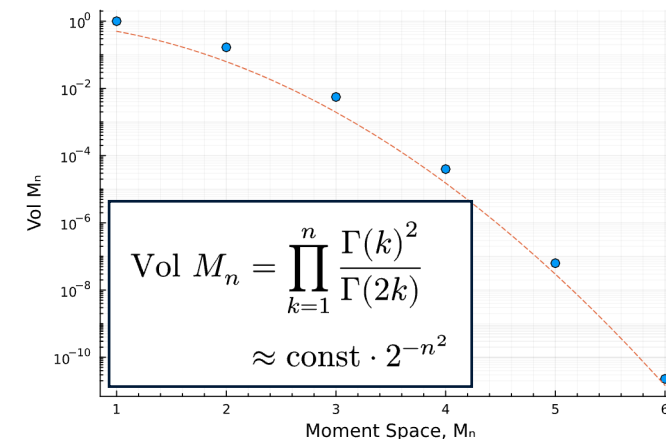
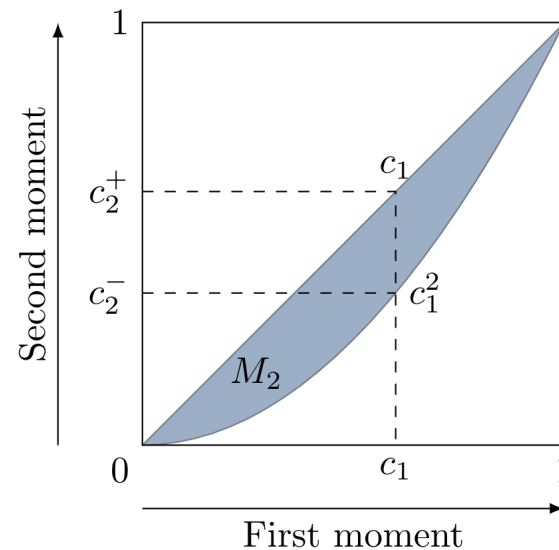
$$\mathcal{A} = \left\{ \mu \left| \begin{array}{l} x \in \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d \\ \underline{c}_1^{\{j\}} \leq \mathbb{E}[x_1^j | \mu^*] \leq \bar{c}_1^{\{j\}} \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, m_1 \\ \vdots \\ \underline{c}_d^{\{j\}} \leq \mathbb{E}[x_d^j | \mu^*] \leq \bar{c}_d^{\{j\}} \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, m_d \end{array} \right. \right\}$$

“normalize” via Canonical Moments

$$\hat{\mathcal{A}} = \left\{ \mu_q \left| \begin{array}{l} x \in \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d \\ \mathbf{q}_1 \in [0, 1]^{m_1+1} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{q}_d \in [0, 1]^{m_d+1} \end{array} \right. \right\}$$

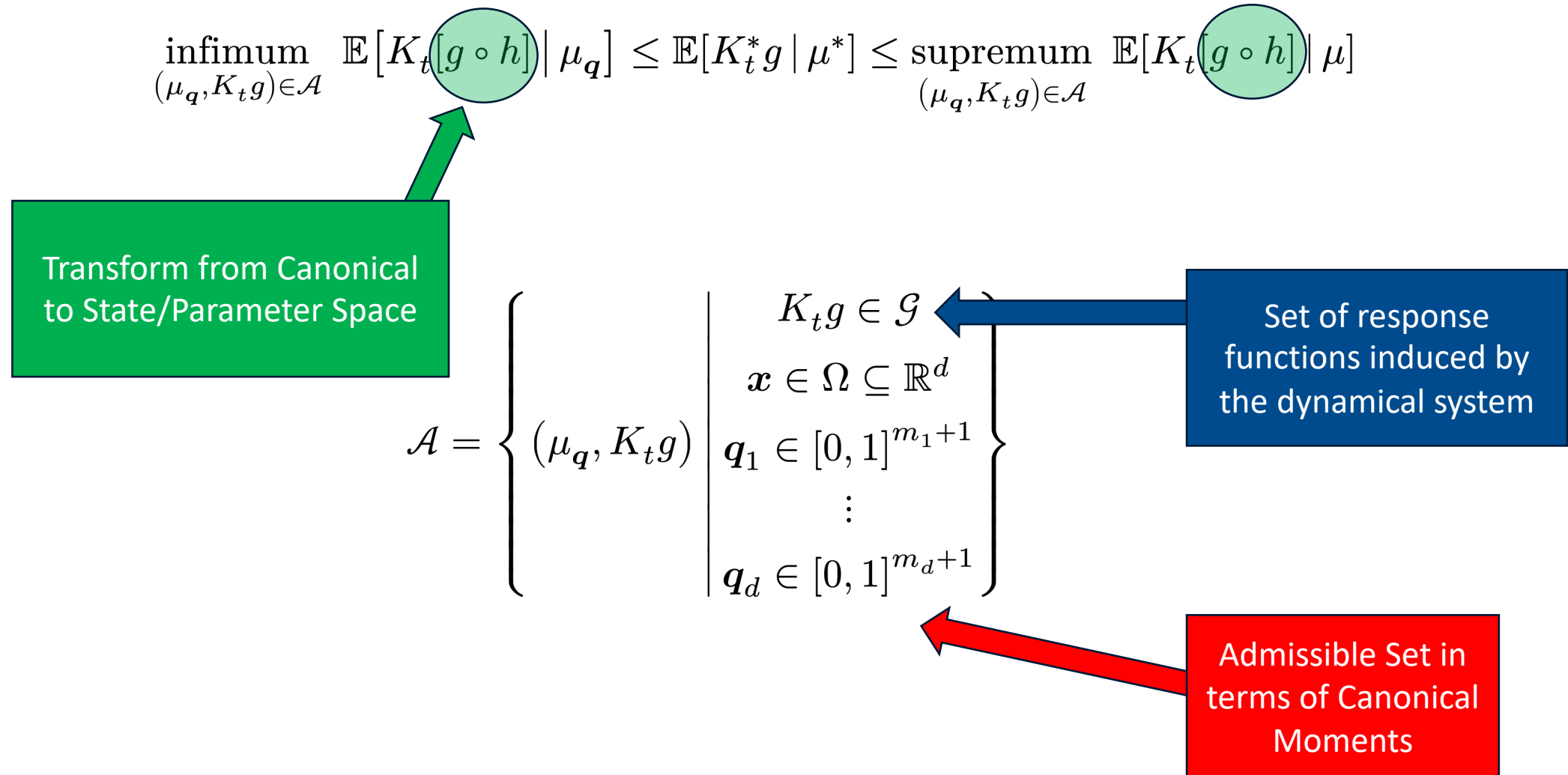
$$\inf_{\mu_q \in \hat{\mathcal{A}}} \mathbb{E}[g \circ h | \mu_q] \leq \mathbb{E}[g | \mu^*] \leq \sup_{\mu_q \in \hat{\mathcal{A}}} \mathbb{E}[g \circ h | \mu_q]$$

$$h(\mathbf{q}_1, \dots, \mathbf{q}_d; \Omega, \underline{\bar{c}}_1, \dots, \underline{\bar{c}}_d) : [0, 1]^{m_1+1} \times \dots \times [0, 1]^{m_d+1} \rightarrow \Omega$$



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OUQ: Dynamical System + Response Sets + Canonical Moments

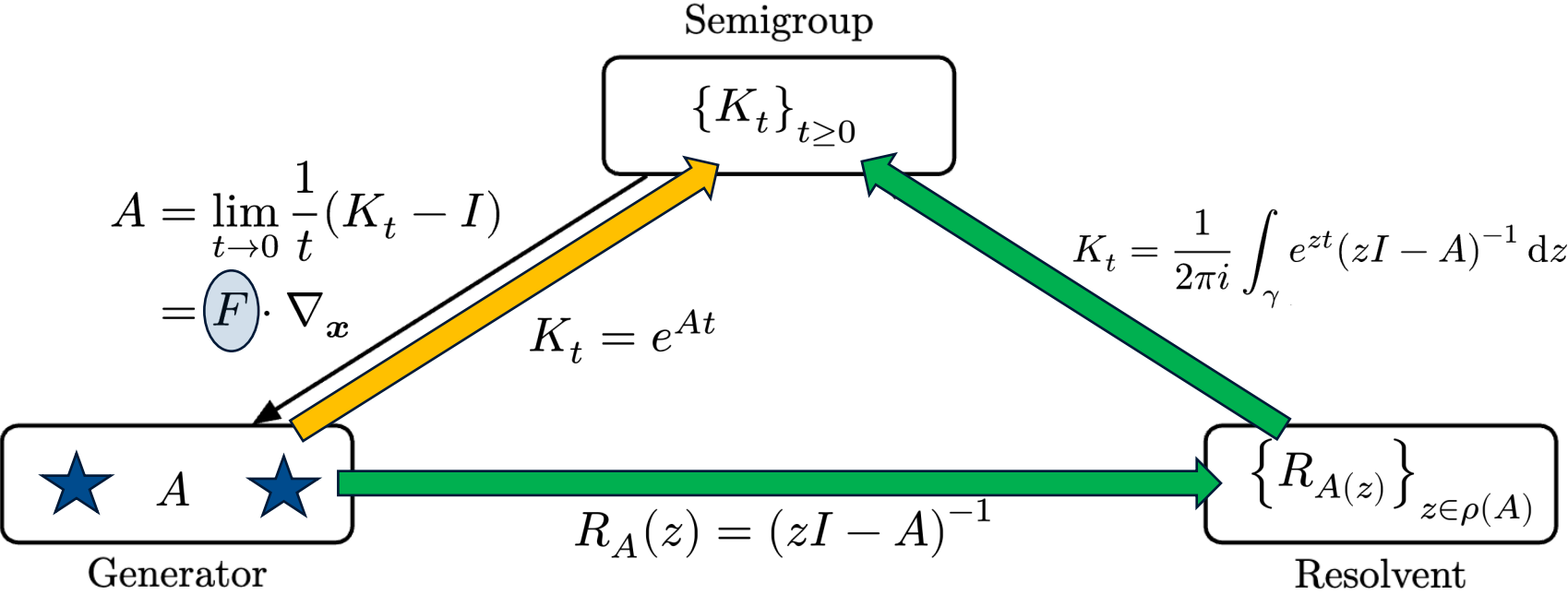




Rigorous Pull-Backs



Pullbacks via Semigroup Theory

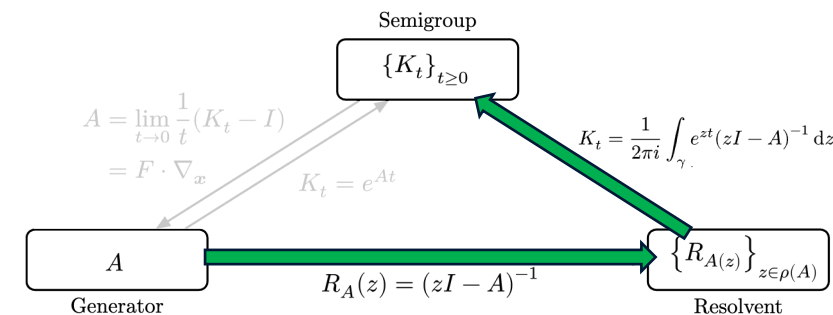
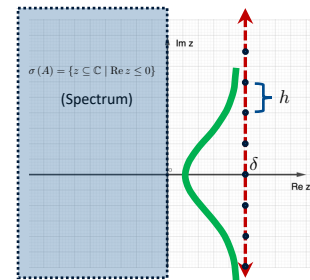


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Pullbacks via Semigroup Theory #1

- 2023 Review (Series Acceleration)

$$\hat{K}_t g \approx \frac{h}{2\pi} (2\delta - A)^2 \sum_{k=-N}^N e^{-(\sigma h k)^2} \frac{e^{t(\delta + i h k)}}{(\delta - i h k)^2} R_A(\delta + i h k) g, \text{ for } g \in D(A)$$



- New: Family of High Order Methods <http://arxiv.org/abs/2408.07691>

$$r(A) e^{At} g = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\delta - i\infty}^{\delta + i\infty} r(z) e^{zt} R_A(z) g dz$$

How to select $r(\cdot)$?

Complexity
of $r(A)^{-1}$

Regularity
of g

Analyticity/Decay
of $r(z)$

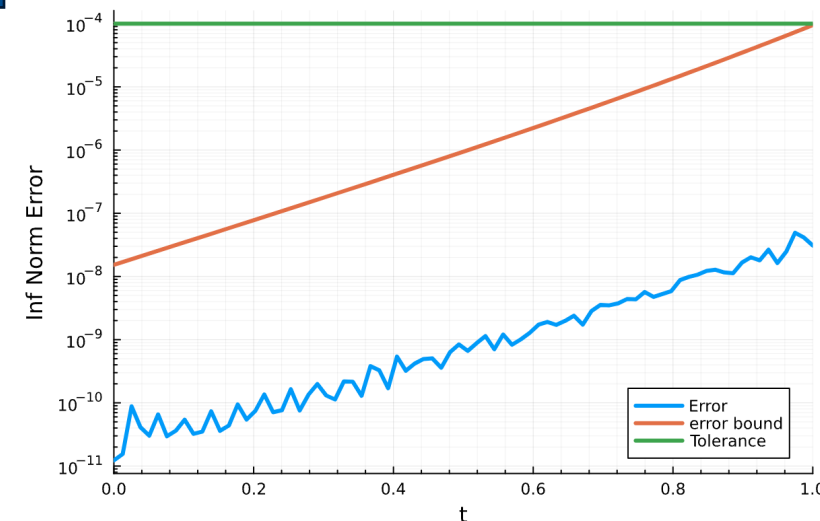
$$r(z) = (2\delta - z)^{-m}$$

$$\hat{K}_t g \approx \frac{h}{2\pi} \sum_{k=-N}^N \frac{e^{t(\delta + i h k)}}{(\delta - i h k)^m} [R_A(\delta + i h k) [(2\delta - A)^m g]], \text{ for } g \in D(A^m)$$

$$\|\varepsilon(t)\| = \left(e^{\frac{3}{2}\delta t} f_D(\delta, m, h) + e^{\delta t} f_T(\delta, m, h, N) \right) \|(2\delta - A)^m g\|$$

Discretization Truncation

$$K_t g \in \left\{ \hat{K}_t g + \alpha \mid \alpha \in [-\|\varepsilon(t)\|, \|\varepsilon(t)\|] \right\}$$



Pullbacks via Semigroup Theory #2

$$K_t g = e^{At} g = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{A^k g}{k!} t^k \quad \hat{K}_t g = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{A^k g}{k!} t^k$$

$$K_t g \in \underbrace{\left\{ \hat{K}_t g + \alpha \mid \alpha \in \bar{I} \in \mathbb{I}\mathbb{R}, t \in [0, t_f] \right\}}_{\mathcal{K}}$$

Picard Operator

$$[Q_F h_t](x) = x + \int_0^t F(h_\tau(x)) d\tau \text{ for } h_t(x) = x_i(t) \text{ State Observable}$$

$$\mathcal{J} = \{Q_F h_t \mid h_t \in \mathcal{K}, t \in [0, t_f]\}$$

Contraction

$$\mathcal{J} \subseteq \mathcal{K} \longrightarrow K_t g \in \mathcal{K} \text{ for } g(x) = x_i \longrightarrow S_{t \in [0, t_f]} \in \mathcal{K}$$

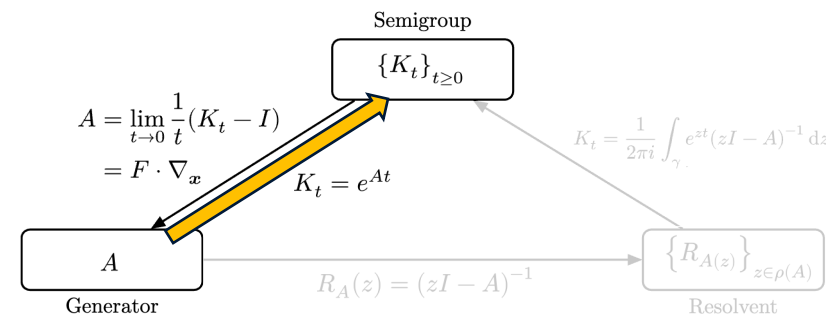
Rigorous Flow Map Surrogate

$$K_t g \in \{g \circ S_t \mid S_t \in \mathcal{K}\} \text{ for } t \in [0, t_f]$$

Definition 8.1 (Taylor Model [22]): Let $f : \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be an $m + 1$ times continuously partially differentiable function on an open set containing the domain Ω . Let x_0 be a point in Ω , p_m be the m^{th} order Taylor polynomial of f around $x_0 \in \Omega$, and $\bar{I} \in \mathbb{I}\mathbb{R}$ be an *interval remainder* such that

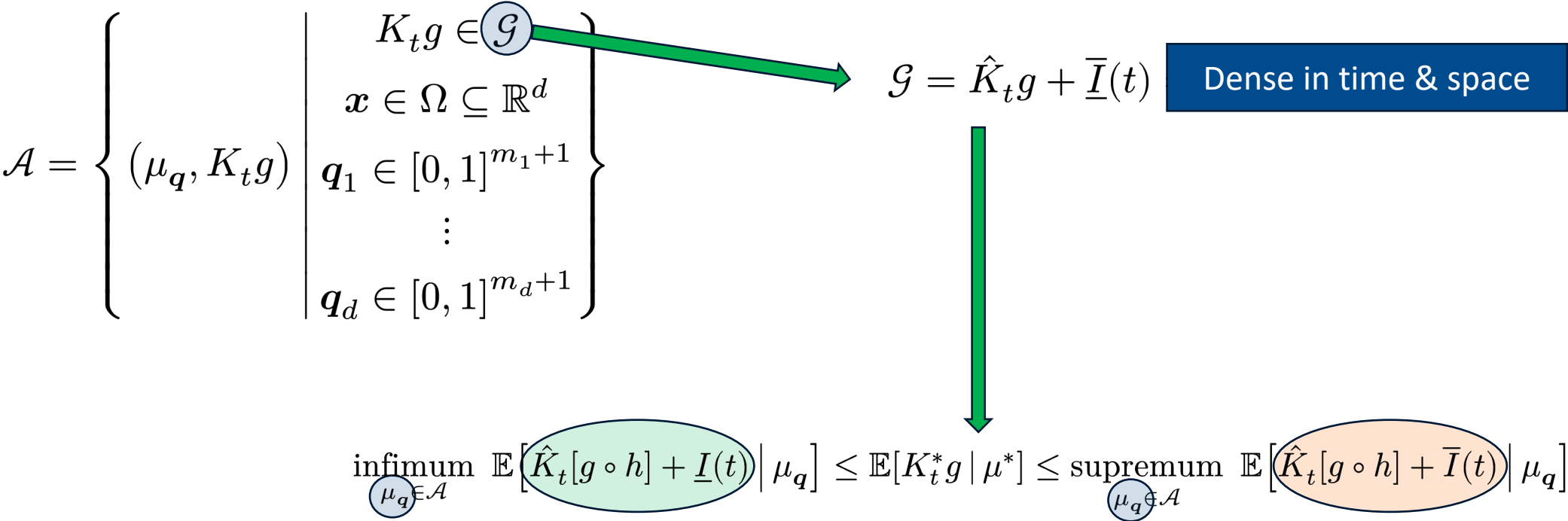
$$f(x) \in p_m(x - x_0) + \bar{I}, \quad \forall x \in \Omega \quad (60)$$

The pair $\mathcal{T} := (p_m, \bar{I})$ is then called the m^{th} order Taylor model of f about x_0 on Ω .



OUQ Induced by Dynamical System Revisited

$$\inf_{(\mu_q, K_t g) \in \mathcal{A}} \mathbb{E}[K_t[g \circ h] \mid \mu_q] \leq \mathbb{E}[K_t^* g \mid \mu^*] \leq \sup_{(\mu_q, K_t g) \in \mathcal{A}} \mathbb{E}[K_t[g \circ h] \mid \mu]$$



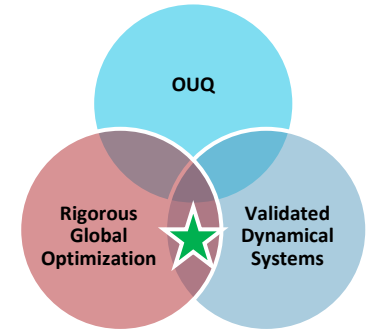


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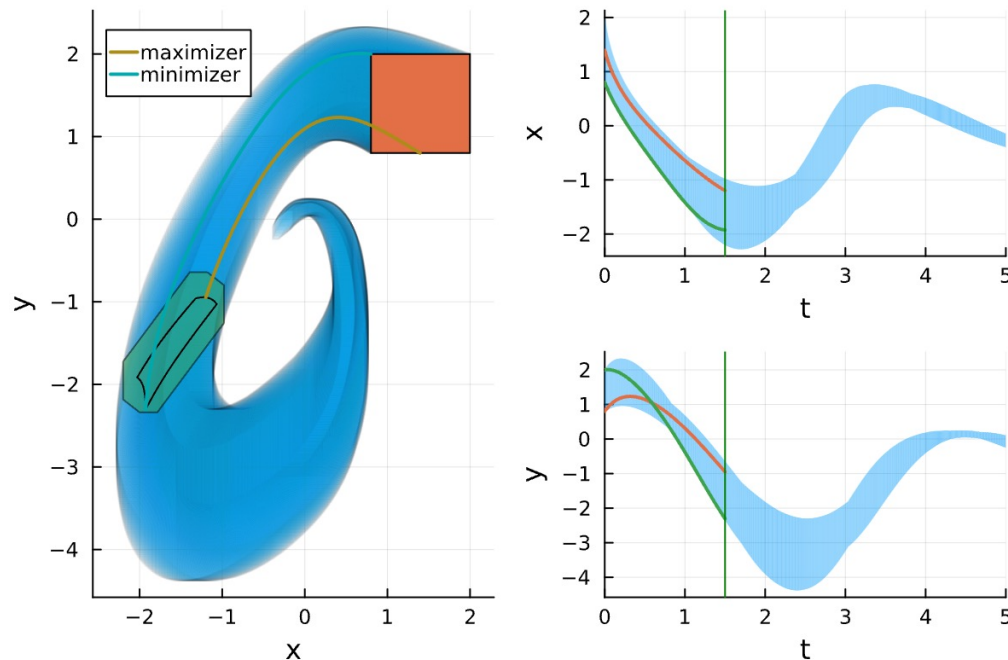
Validated ODE + Rigorous Optimization

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} -x_2 - \frac{3}{2}x_1^2 - \frac{1}{2}x_1^3 + \frac{1}{2} \\ 2x_1 - x_2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{x}(0) \in [0.8, 2] \times [0.8, 2]$$

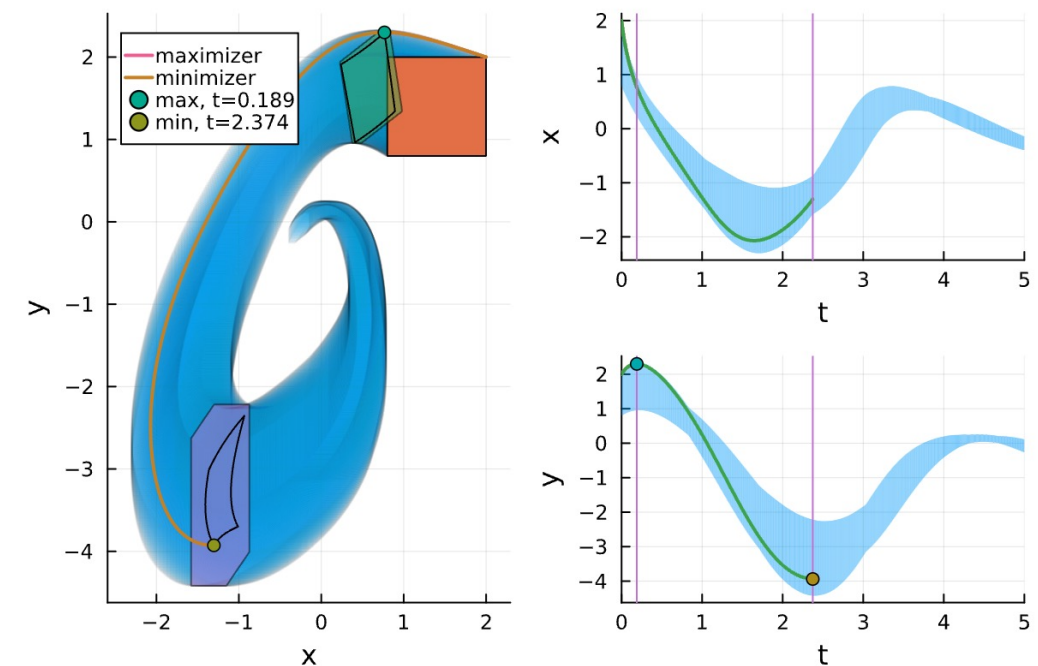
$$g(\mathbf{x}) = x_2$$



Optimize @ t = 1.5 s



Optimize $\forall t$

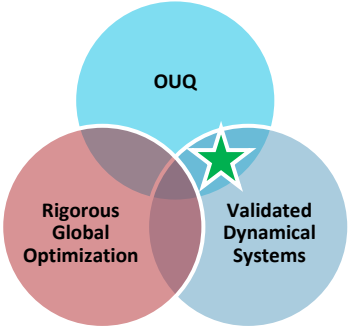




Validated ODE + OUQ

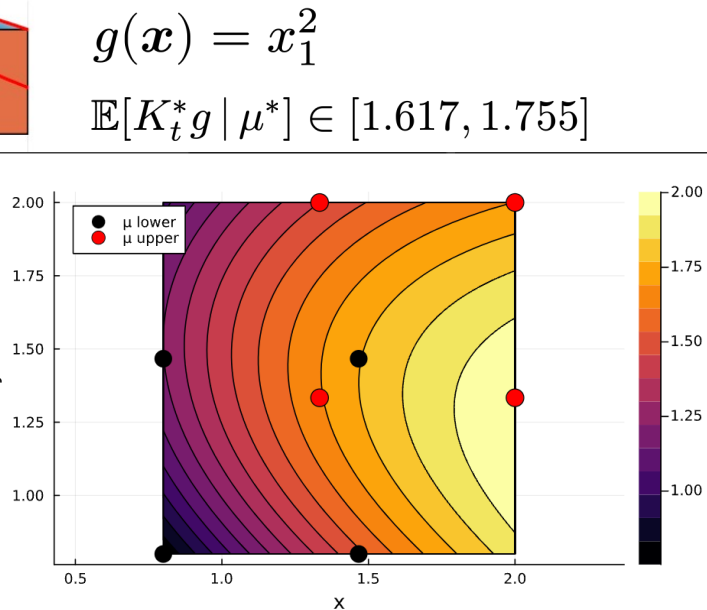
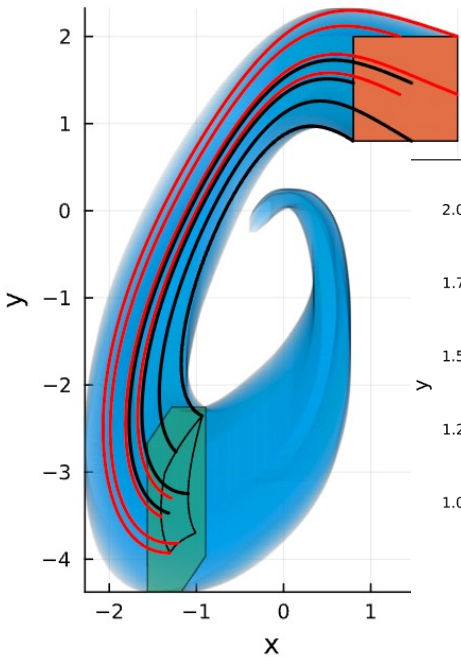
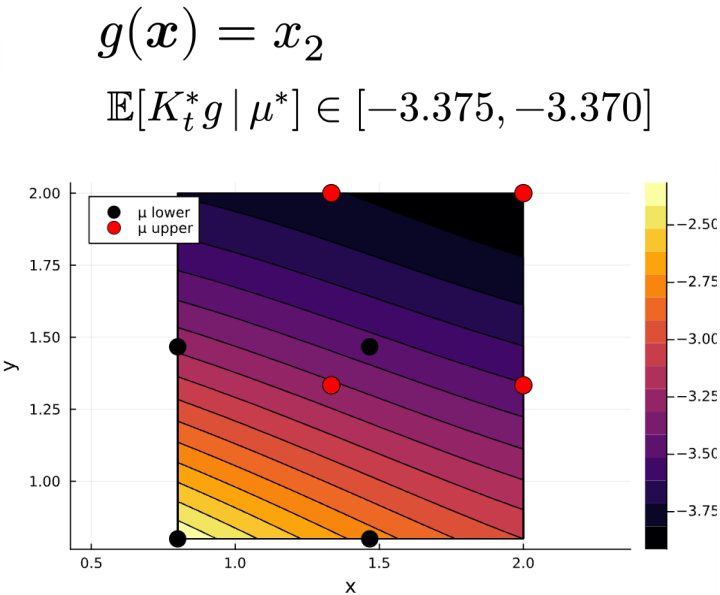
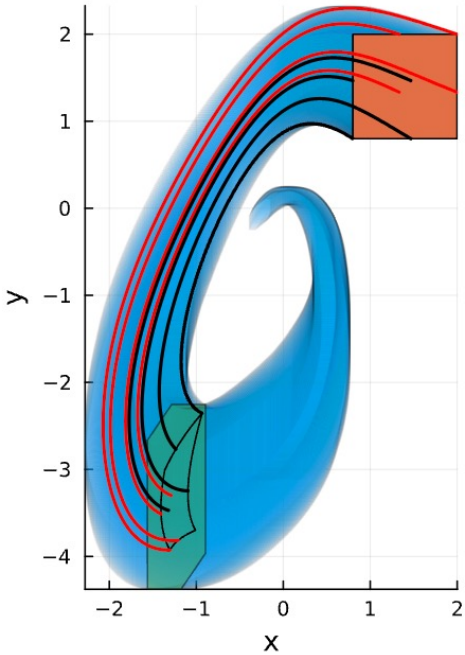
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$$\mathbb{E}[x_j \mid \mu^*] = 1.4$$
$$\text{std}(x_j \mid \mu^*) = 0.2$$



Optimize @ t = 2.374 s

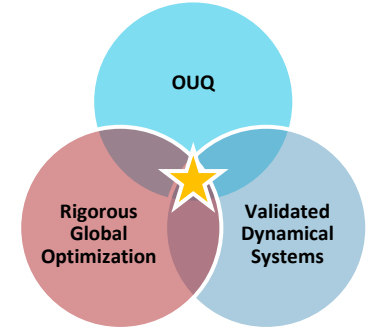
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Validated ODE + Complete Optimization + OUQ

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -x_2 - \frac{3}{2}x_1^2 - \frac{1}{2}x_1^3 + \frac{1}{2} \\ 2x_1 - x_2 \end{bmatrix}, x(0) \in [0.8, 2] \times [0.8, 2]$$

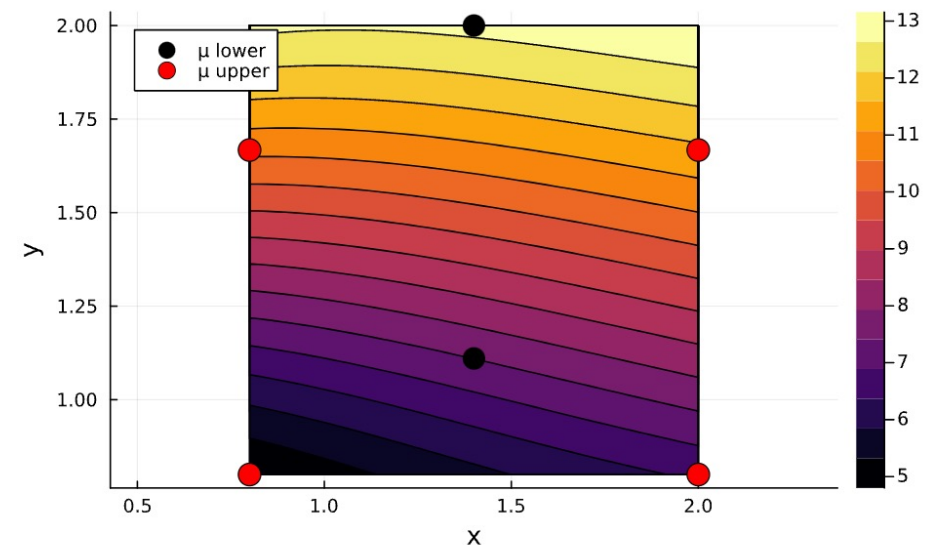
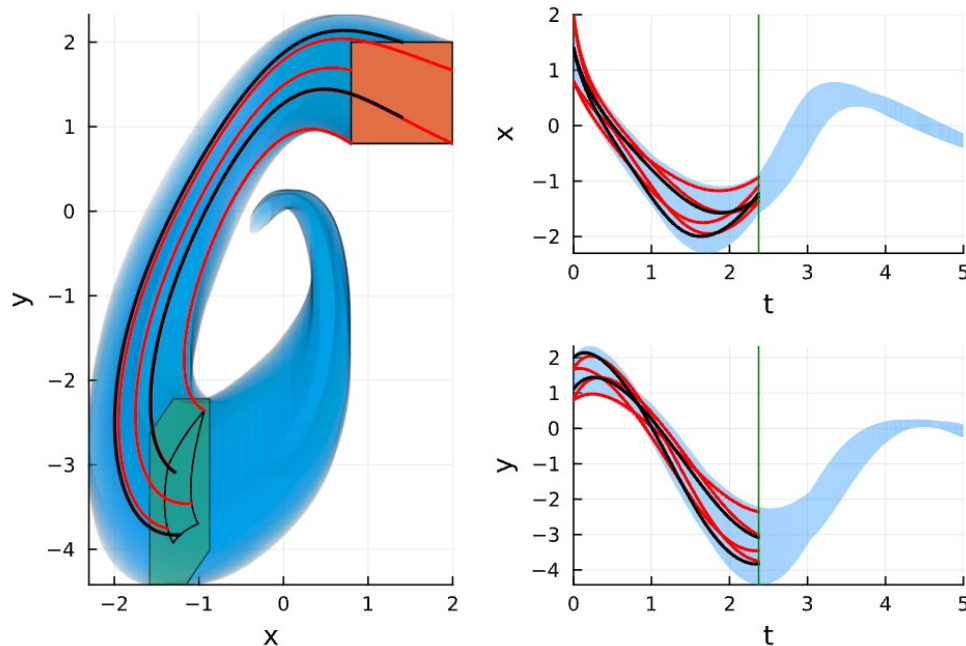
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Optimize @ t = 2.374 s

$$g(x) = x_1^3 + x_2^2$$

$$\mathbb{E}[K_t^* g | \mu^*] \in [-3.388, -3.248]$$



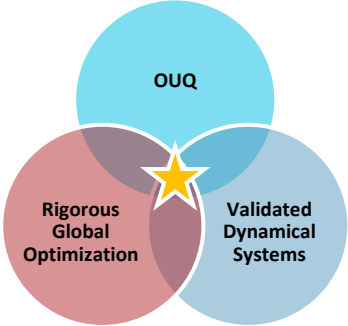


Validated ODE + Complete Optimization + OUQ

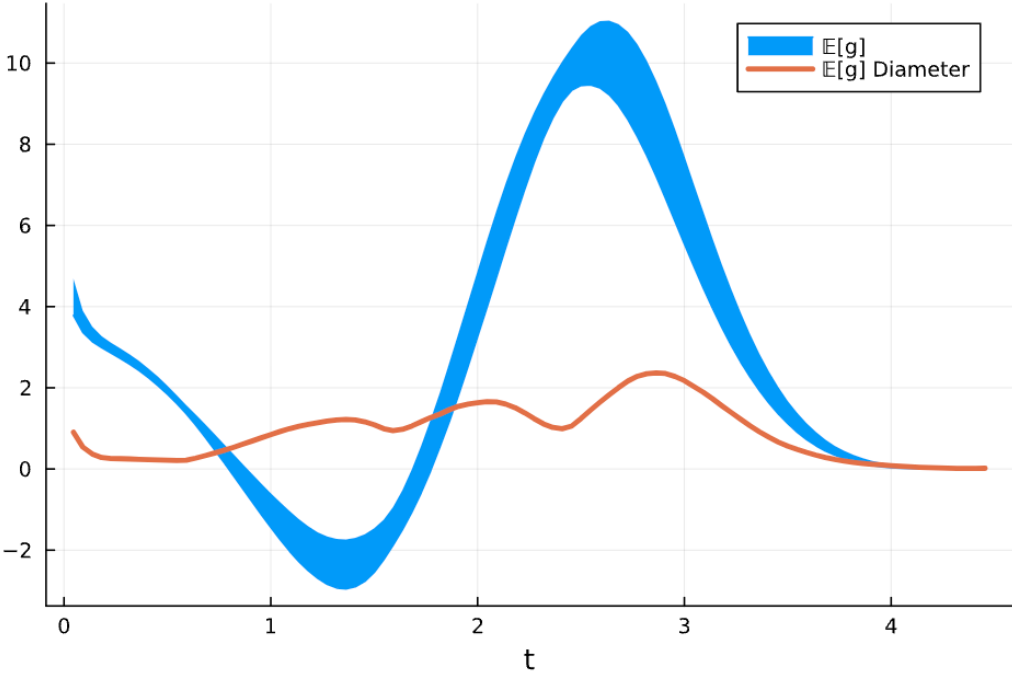
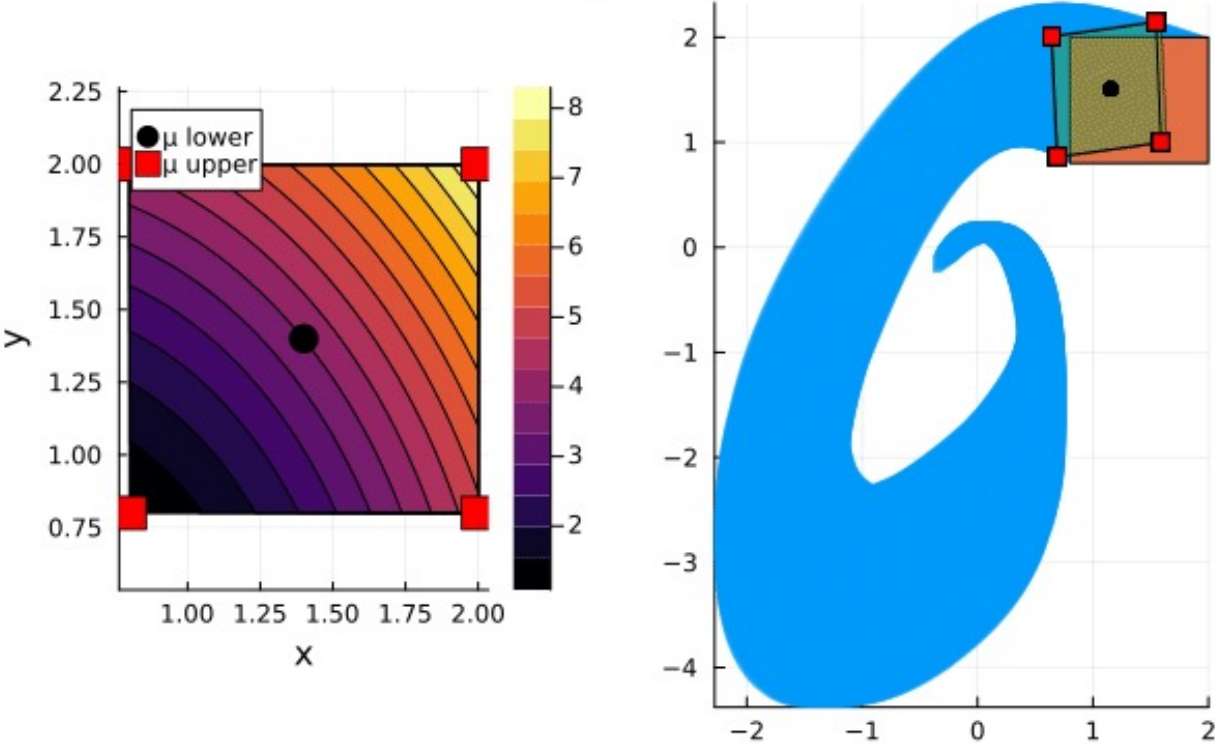
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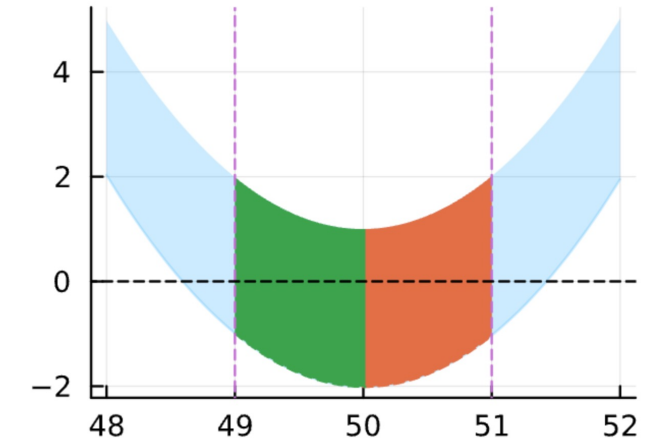


$$t = 0.05, \mathbb{E}[g] \in [3.783, 4.692]$$



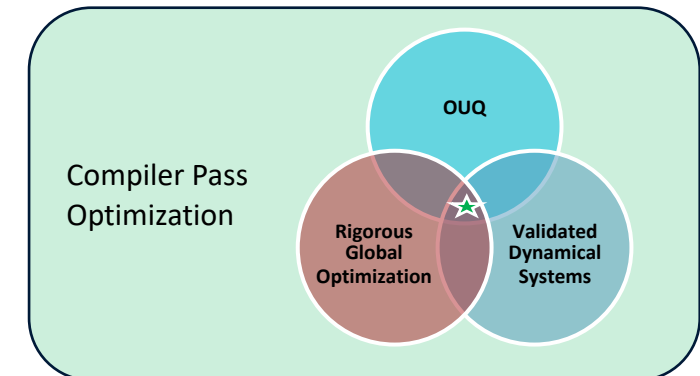
Planned Next Steps

- End-to-End Rigorous OUQ + ODE + Global Opt.
 - Rigorous Canonical Moments $h(q_1, \dots, q_d; \Omega, \bar{c}_1, \dots, \bar{c}_d) : [0, 1]^{m_1+1} \times \dots \times [0, 1]^{m_d+1} \rightarrow \Omega$
 - **Challenge:** Interval Coefficient Polynomial Root Finding
 - Possibility of Repeated Roots
- Global Optimization
 - Extensible SW framework for scalable global dynamic optimization
 - GPU accelerated branch and bound solver
 - Leverage Semidefinite/Second-Order Cone Program (Taylor Model specific)
- Extend Picard Iteration \rightarrow contraction to the Operator level.
- Develop automatic code transformation tools



$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ [49, 50.05] & [49.95, 51] \end{bmatrix} x = b$$

$$[LB^*, UB^*] = \cap_i \rho_i(\mathcal{A}), \rho_i \in \mathfrak{P} \quad \text{Set of equiv. programs}$$





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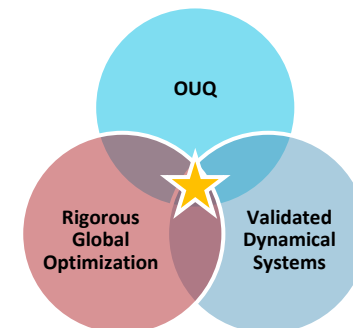
QUESTIONS?

Validated ODE + Complete Optimization + OUQ

$$\dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -x_2 - \frac{3}{2}x_1^2 - \frac{1}{2}x_1^3 + \frac{1}{2} \\ 2x_1 - x_2 \end{bmatrix}, x(0) \in [0.8, 2] \times [0.8, 2]$$

$$t = 0.05, \quad \mathbb{E}[g] \in [3.72, 4.57]$$

$$\mathbb{E}[x_j | \mu^*] = 1.4$$



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