

Topic 11

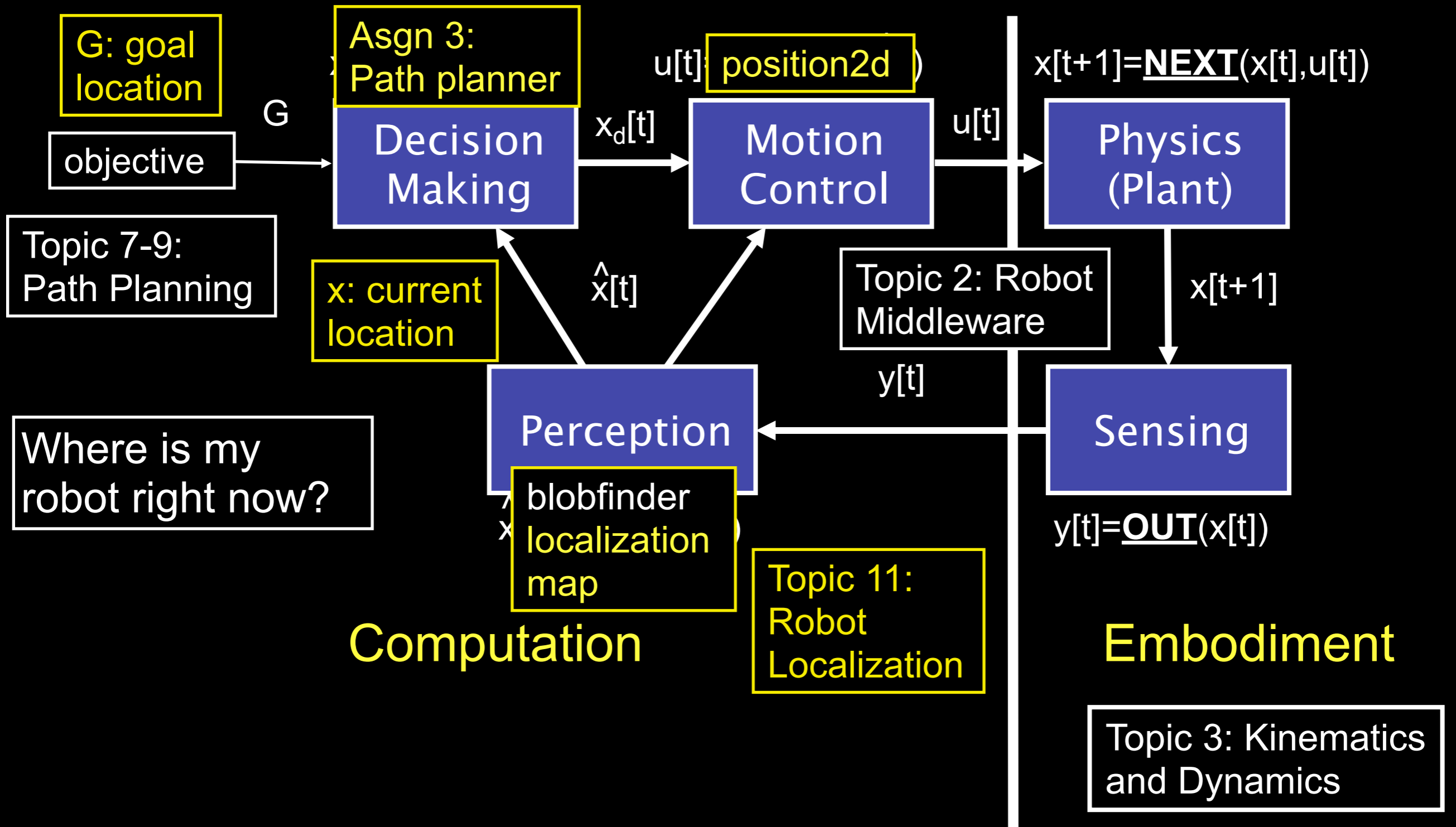
Robot Localization:

Where am I?

robot control loop

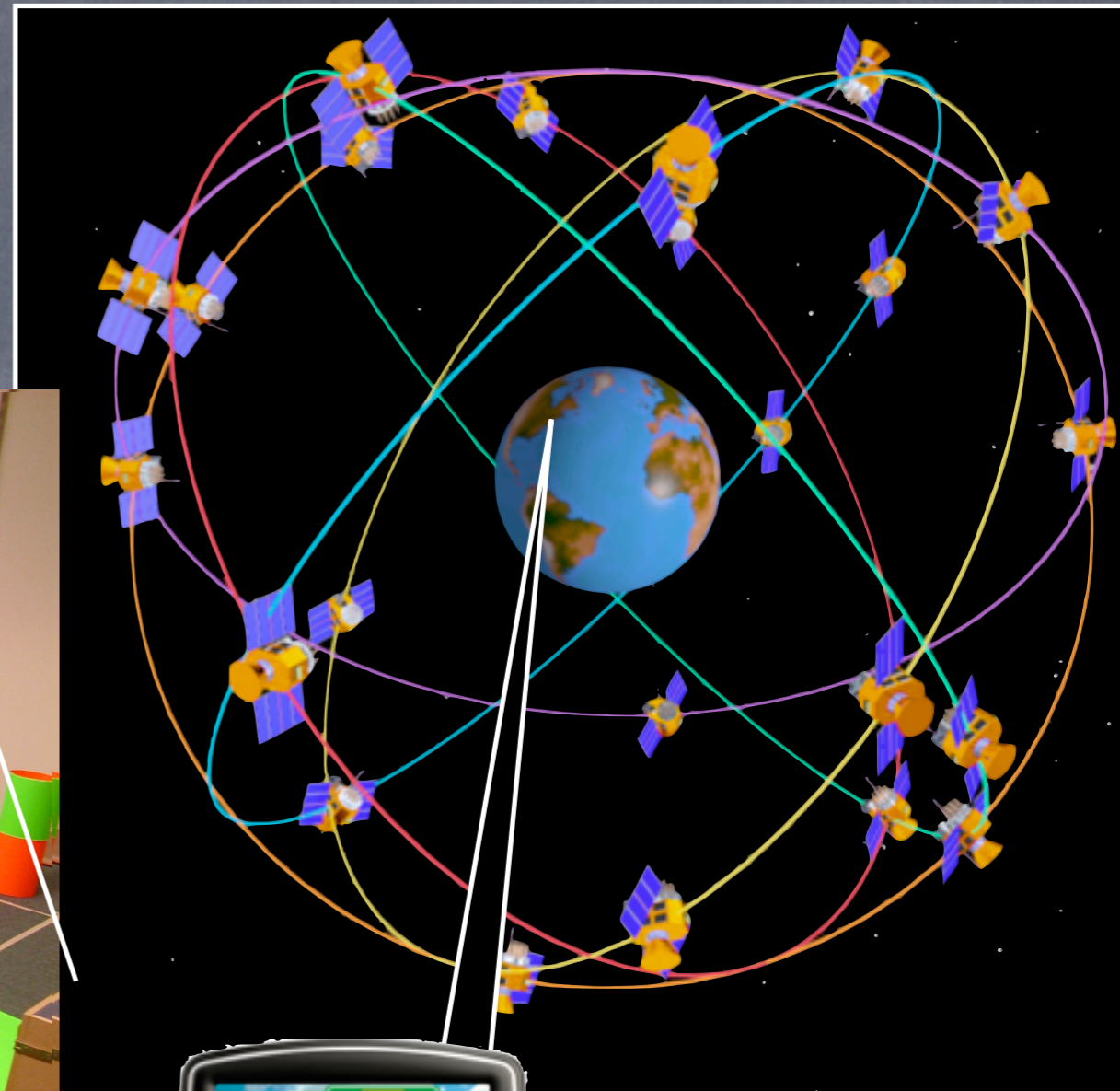
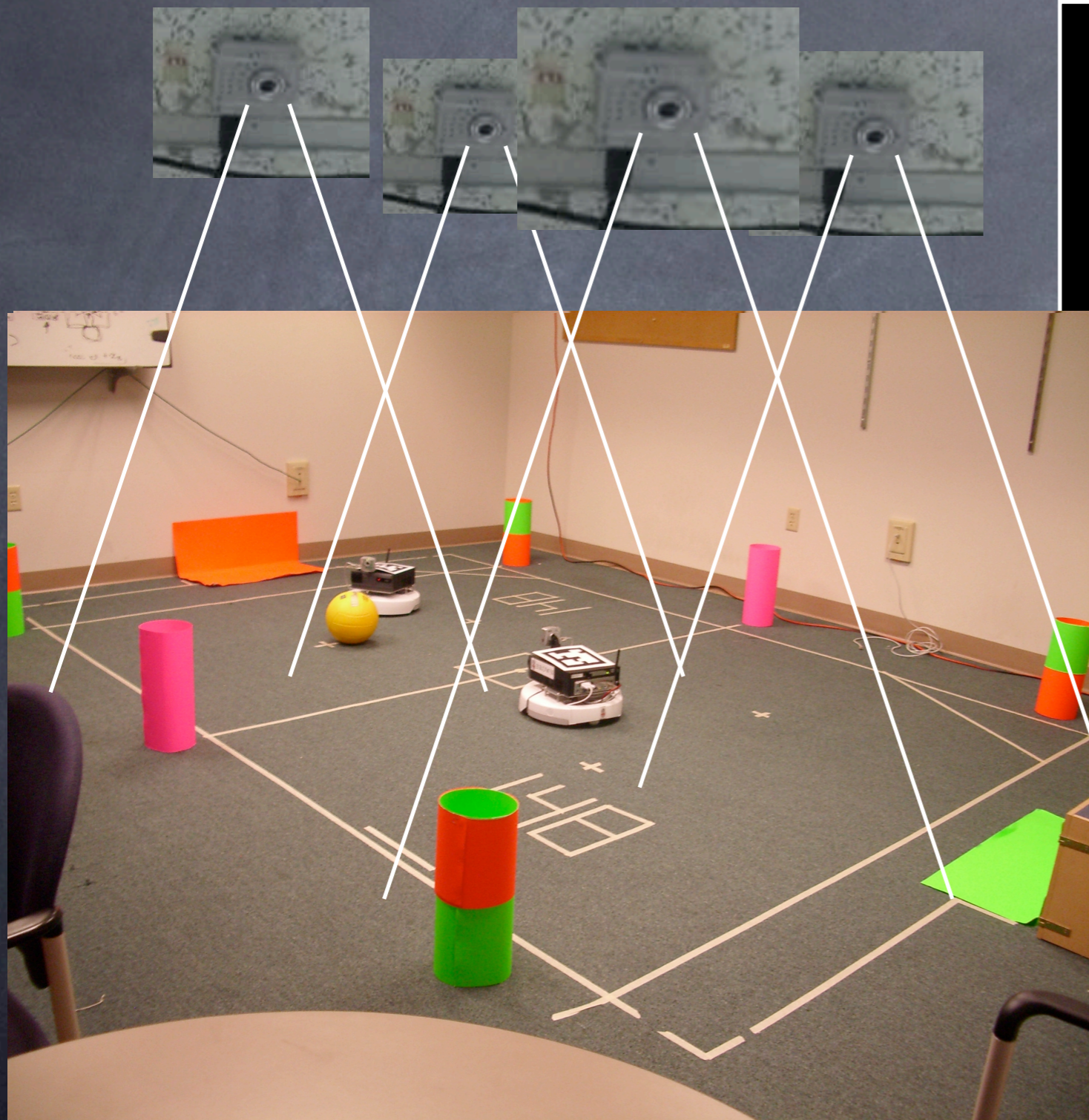
- someone please sketch on the board

The Robot Control Loop



Global Localization

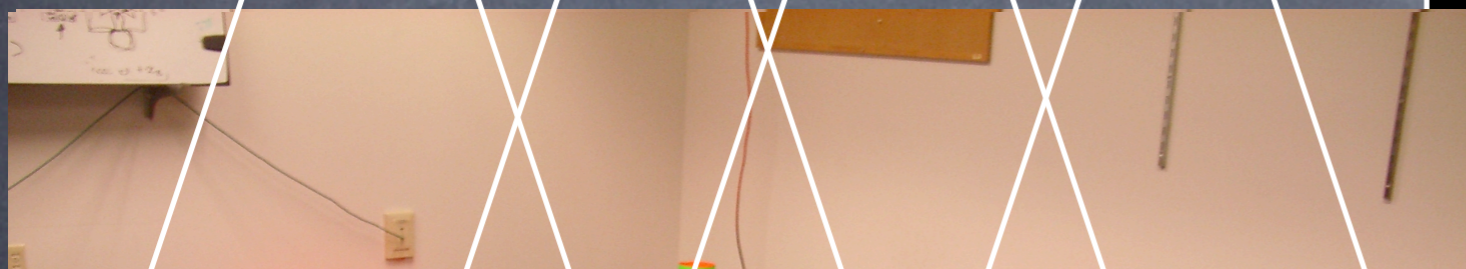
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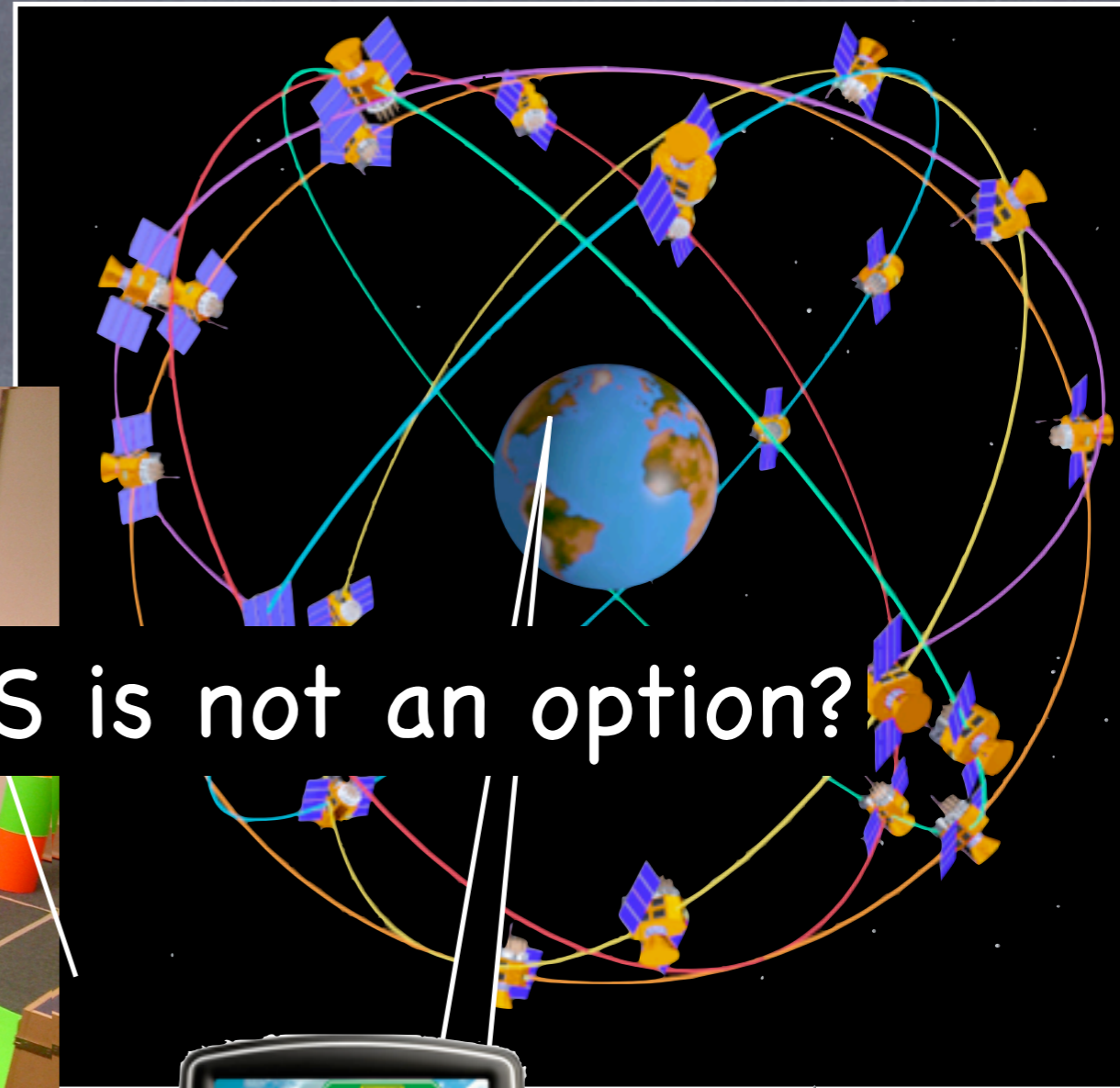
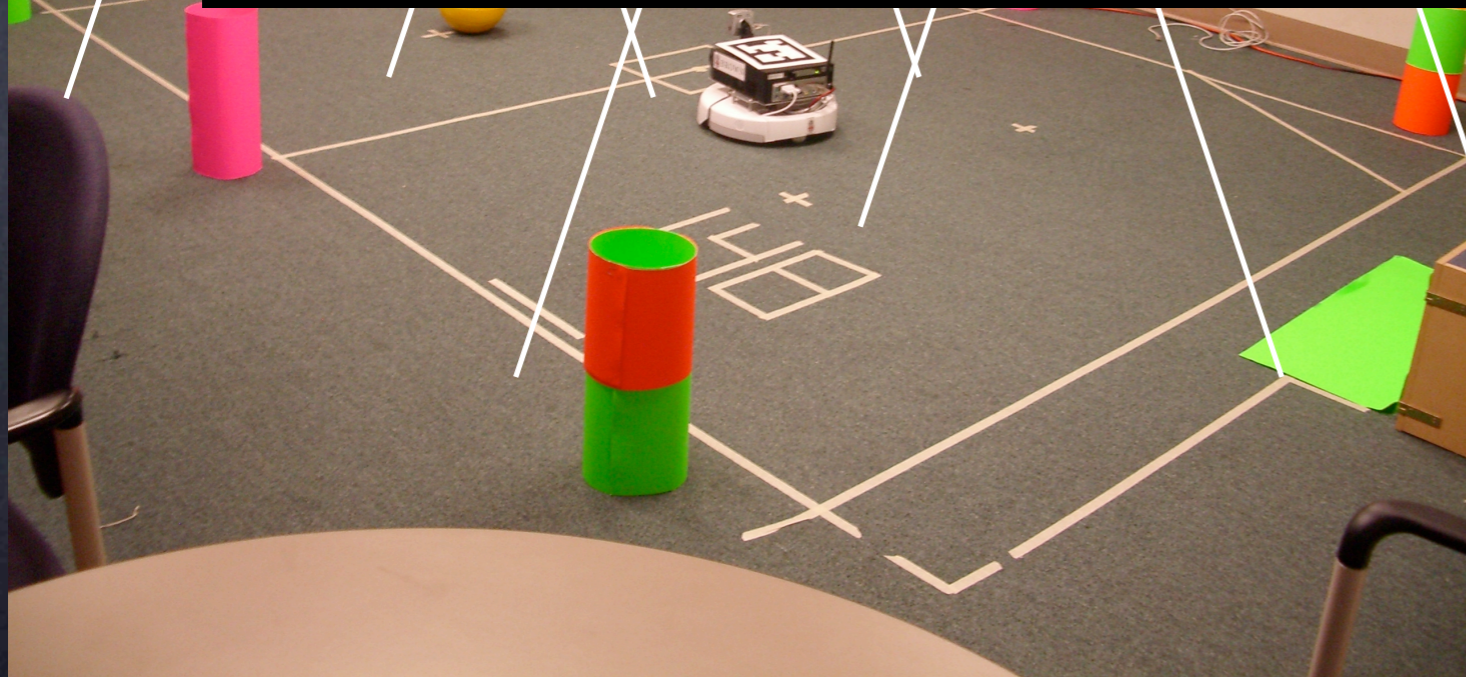
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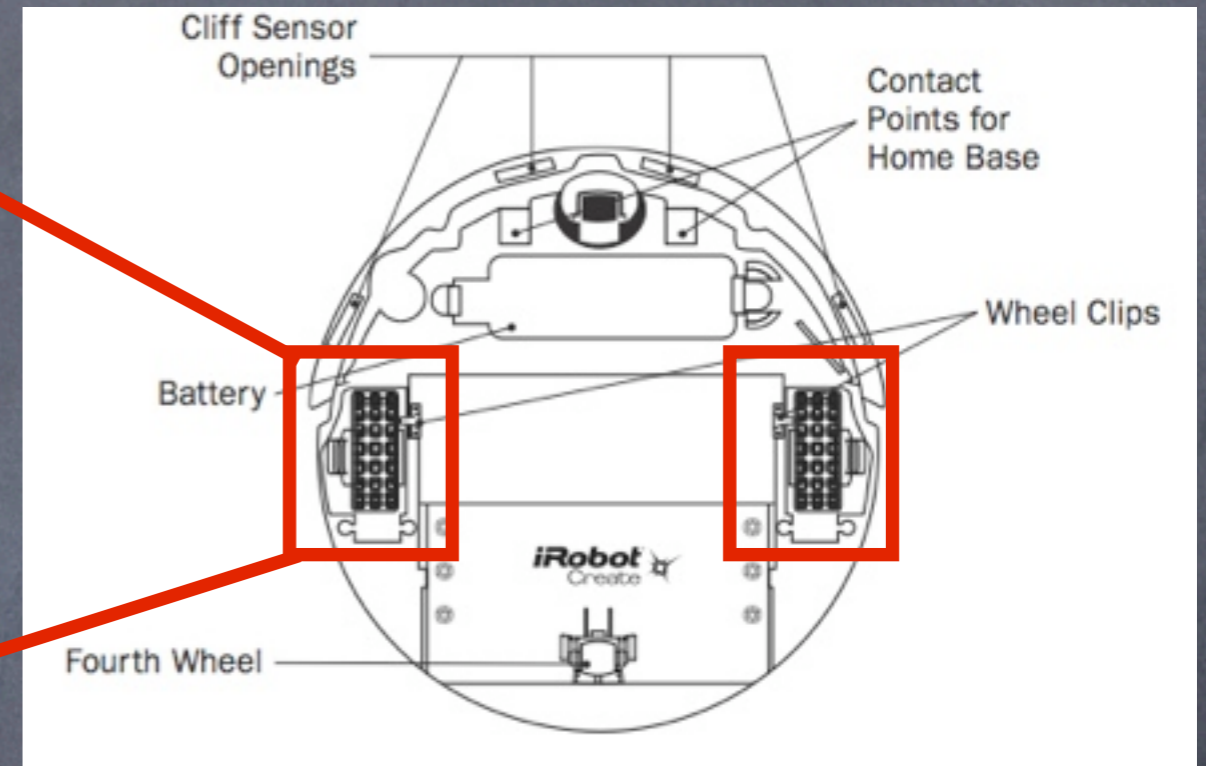
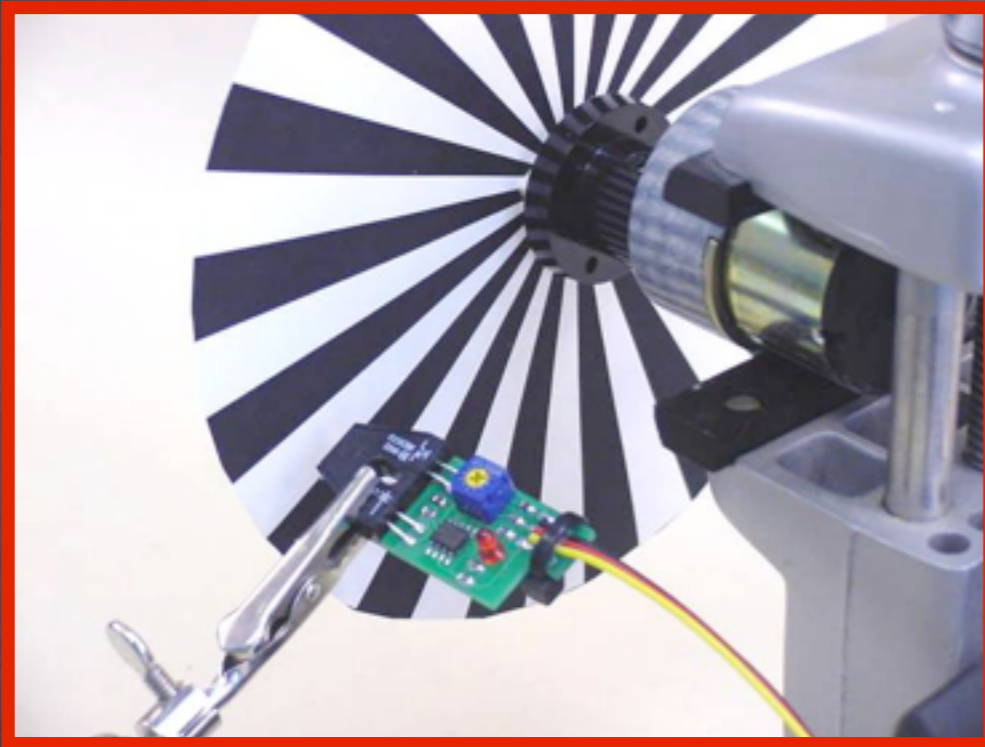


what happens when GPS is not an option?



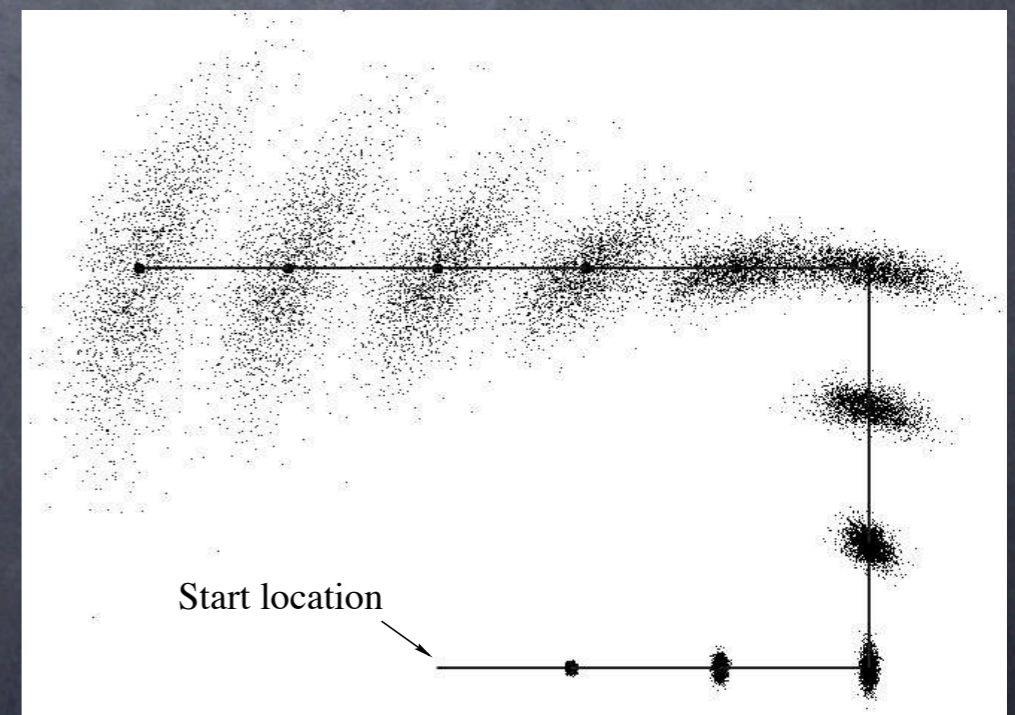
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One option: Odometry



Transform wheel rotation
(measured by encoders)
to motion of robot

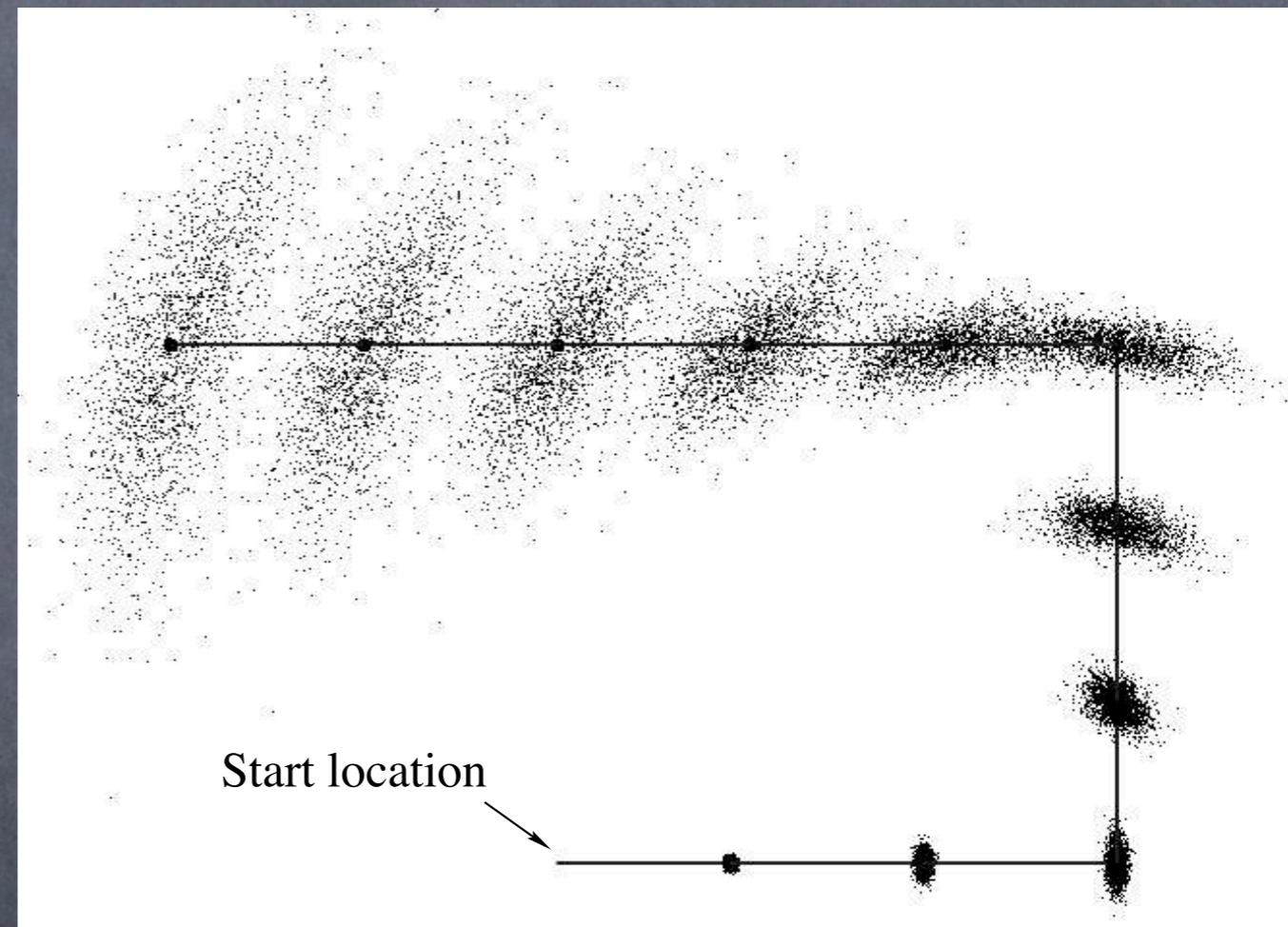
Problems: slip, drift



Problems with Odometry

(for example)

- Slipping: carpet, slippery surfaces, collisions
- Drift: small odometry errors accumulate
- Calibration: finding specific values encoder-to-movement transforms

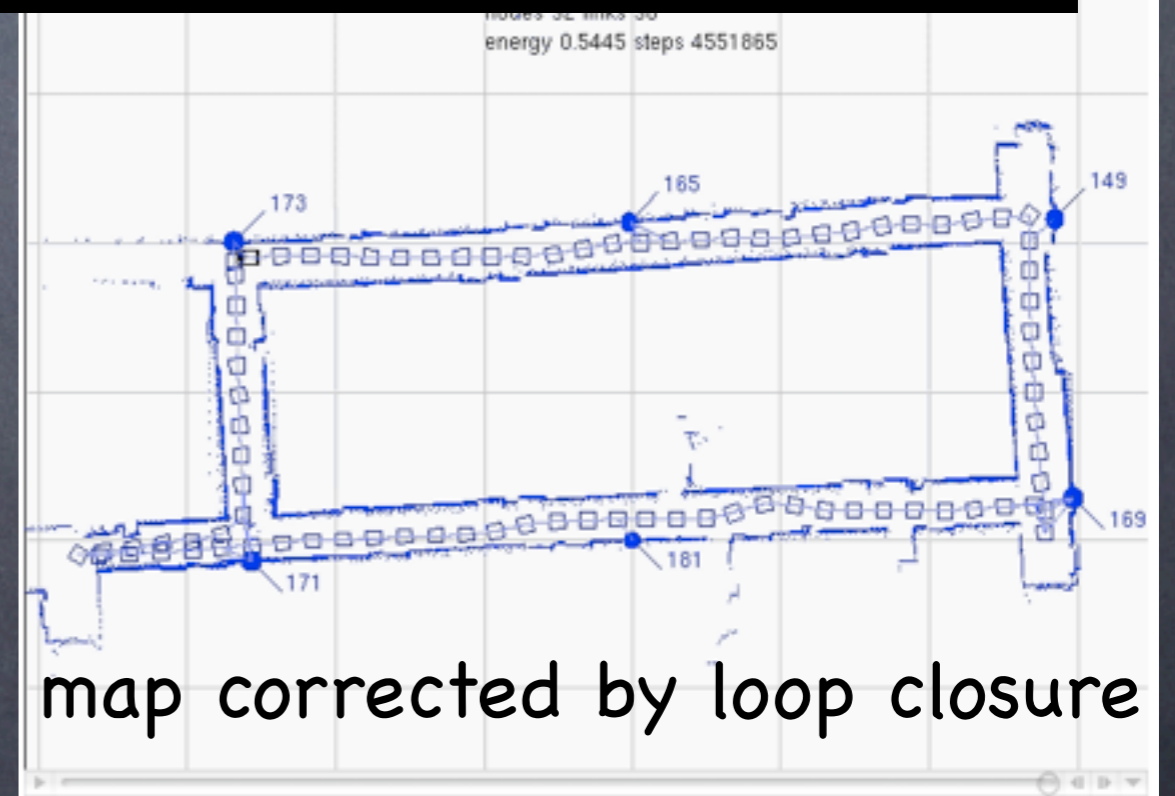
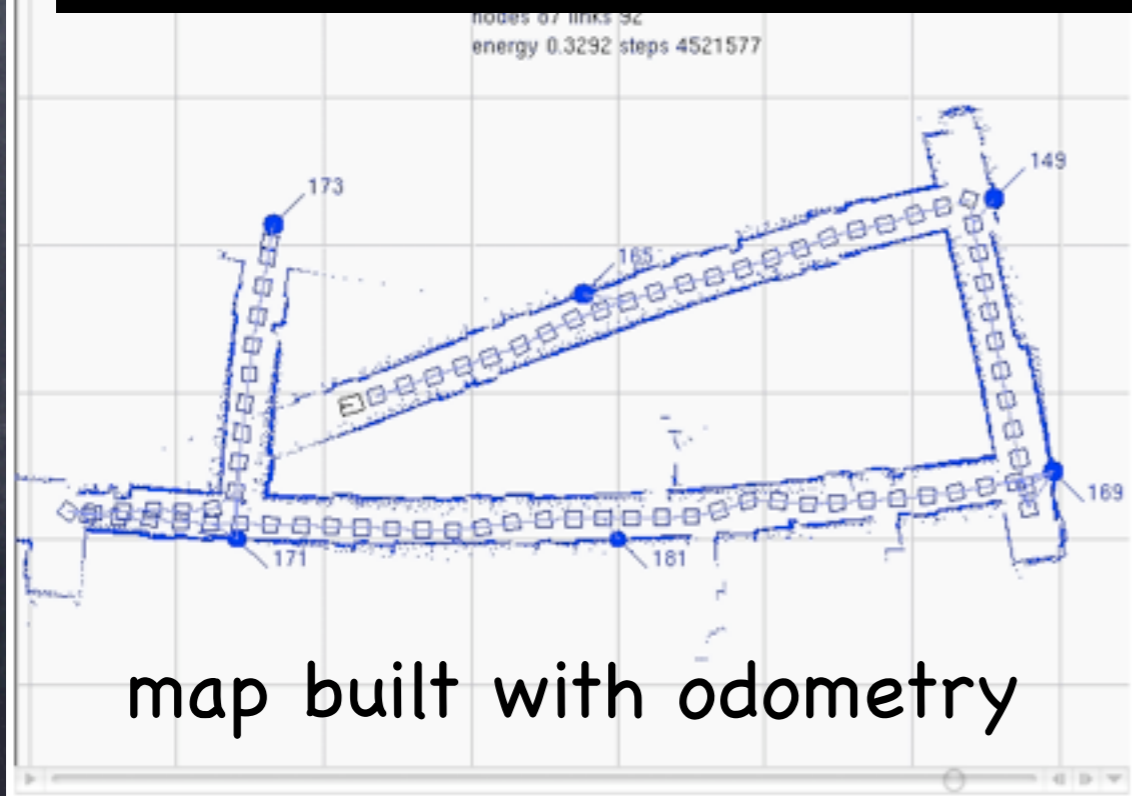


Example: SLAM

(Simultaneous Localization and Mapping)

- Kidnapped robot problem
 - Build map and determine position in map
 - Loop closures (remember previous locations)

Can we use visual information with odometry?



- http://robotics.usc.edu/~ahoward/movies/iros2001a_slam.mov

Onboard Localization

use onboard visual evidence
to determine location



assuming a given map

where is this location in the world?

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Sydney



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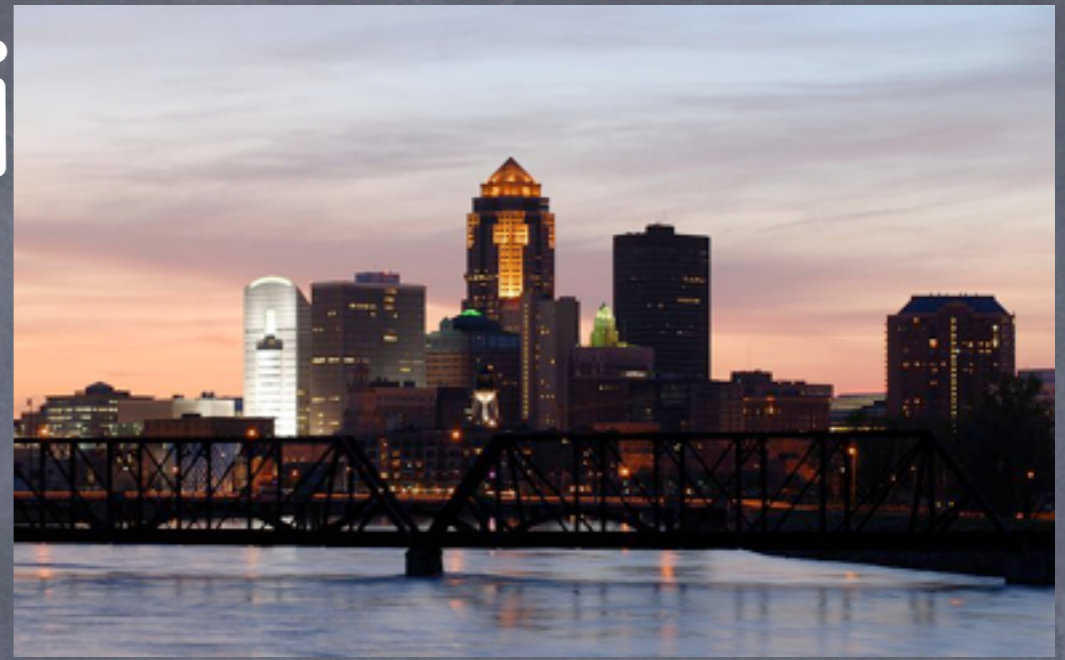
ambiguity: no clear answer

maintain a "distribution" over possibilities



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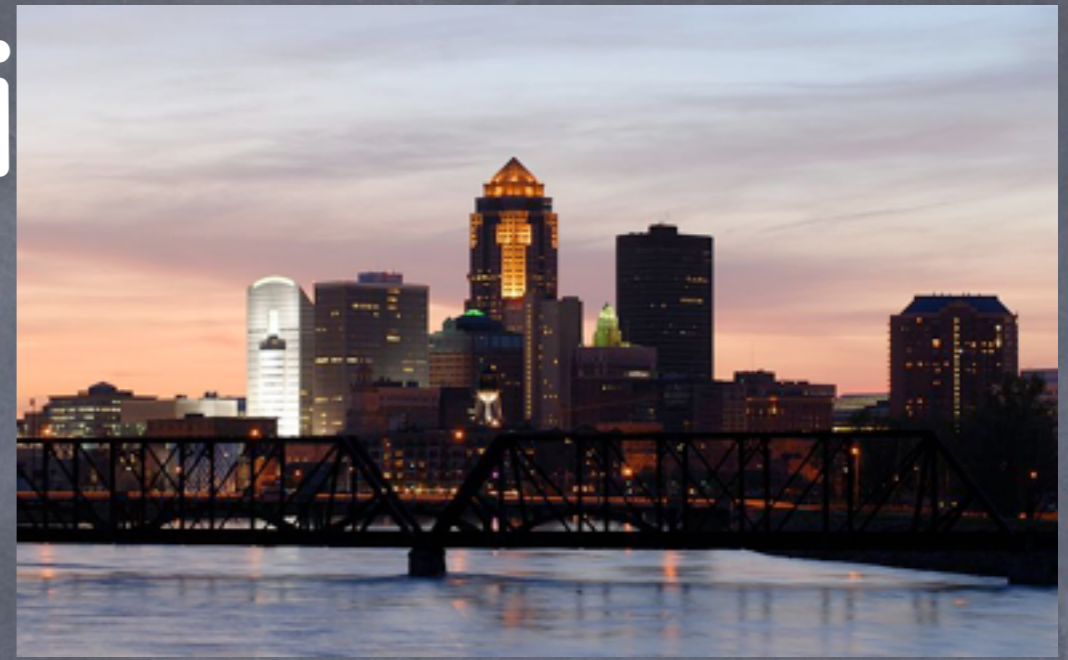
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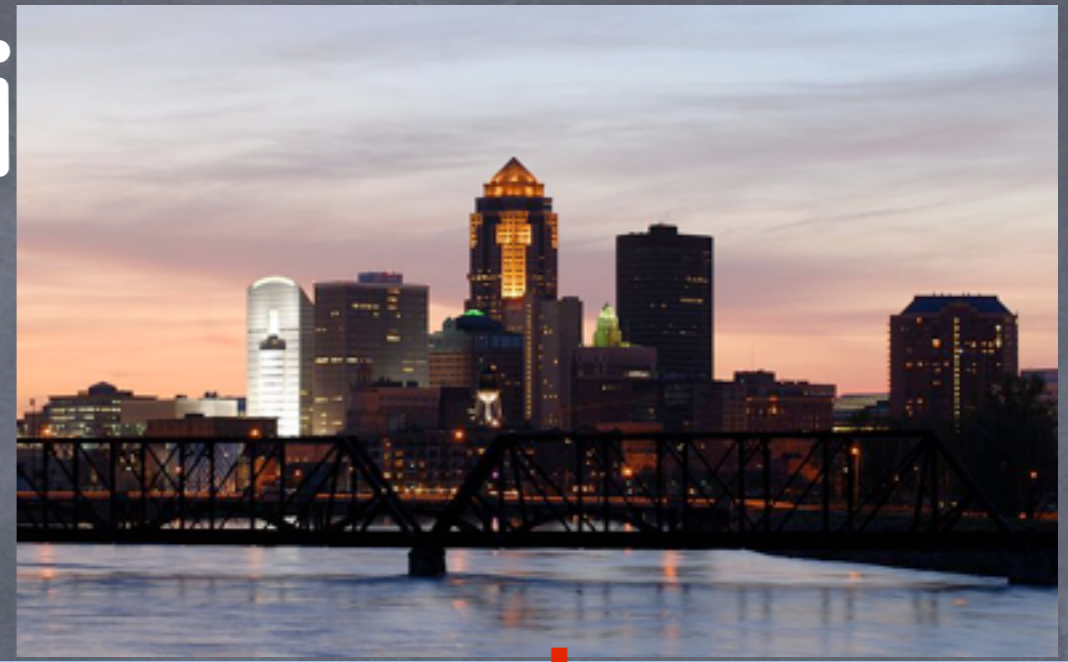


Just in North America:
Portland?
Charlotte?
San Antonio?
Chicago?
San Diego?
and other possibilities

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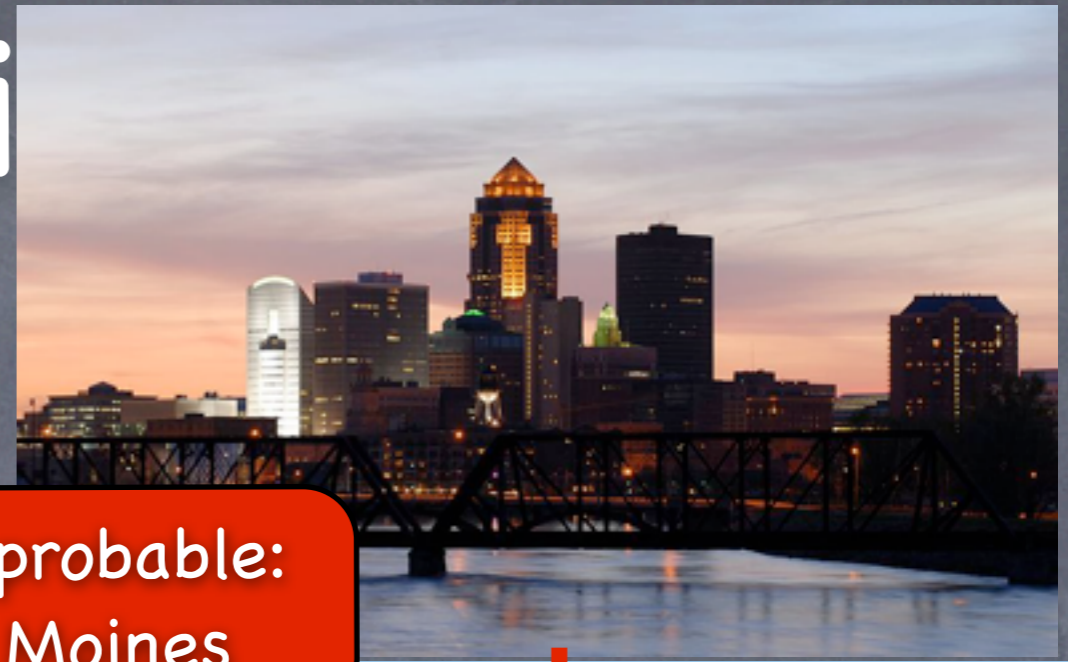
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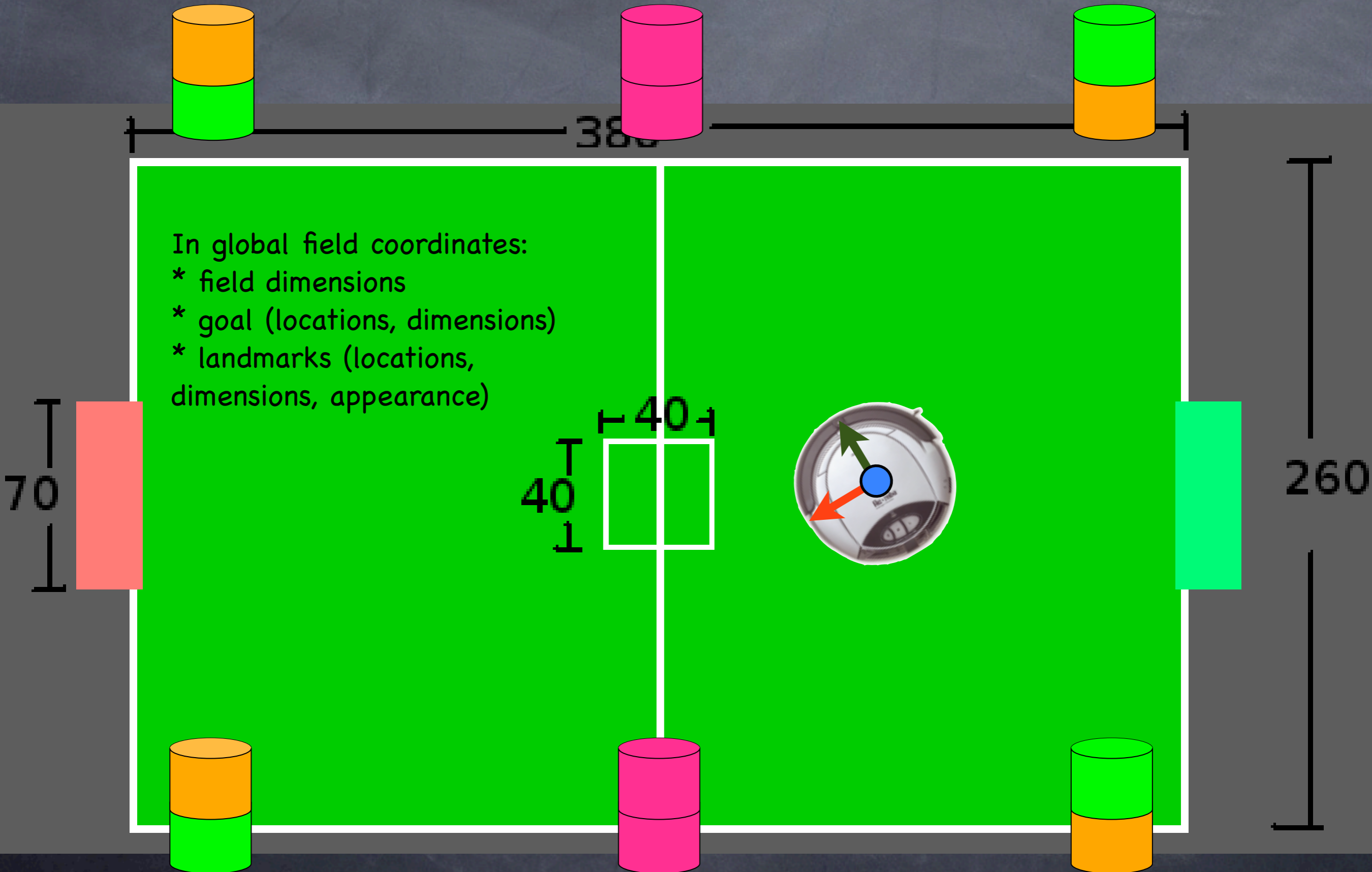
Most probable:
Des Moines

travel 20 km east

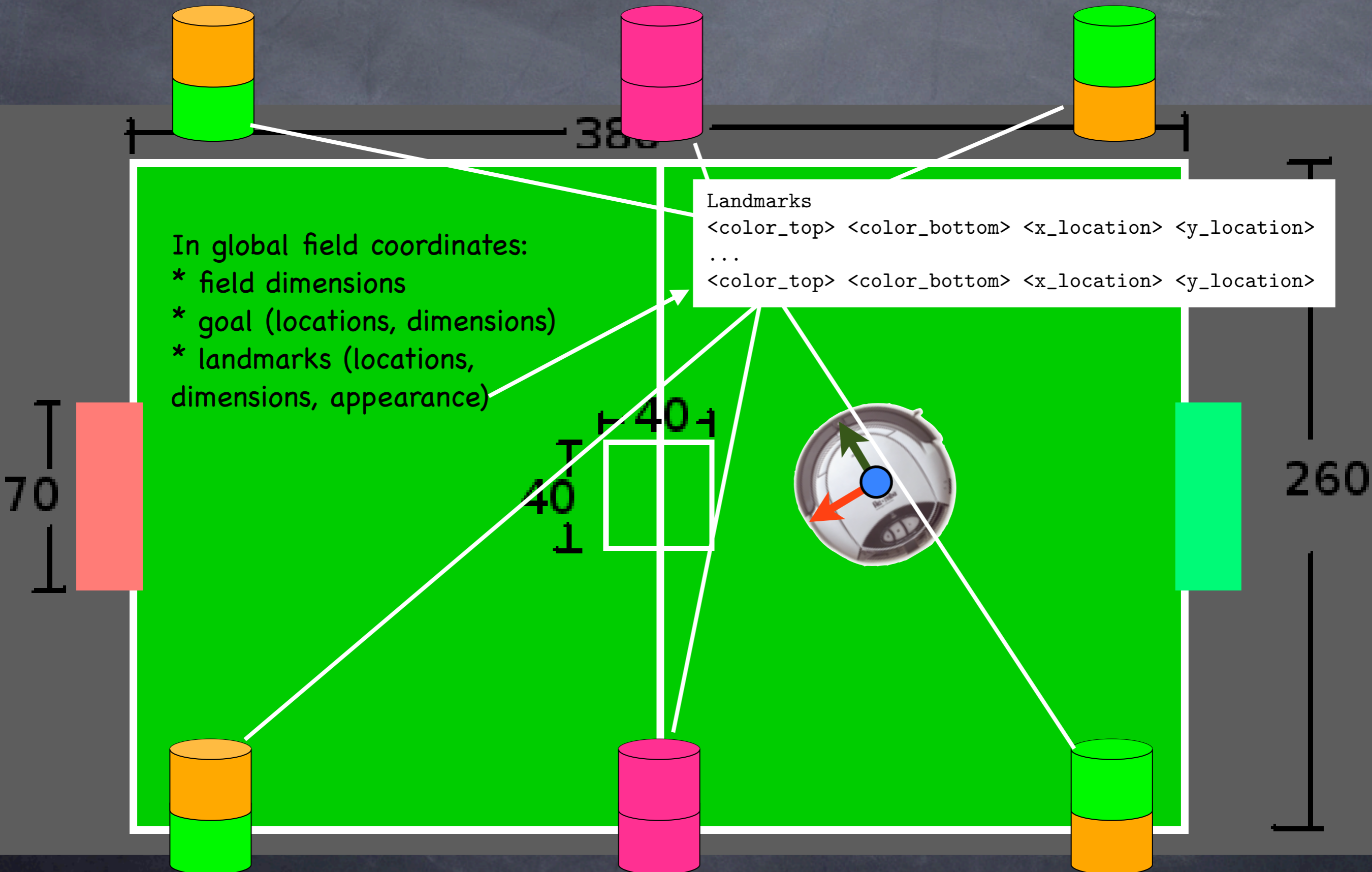


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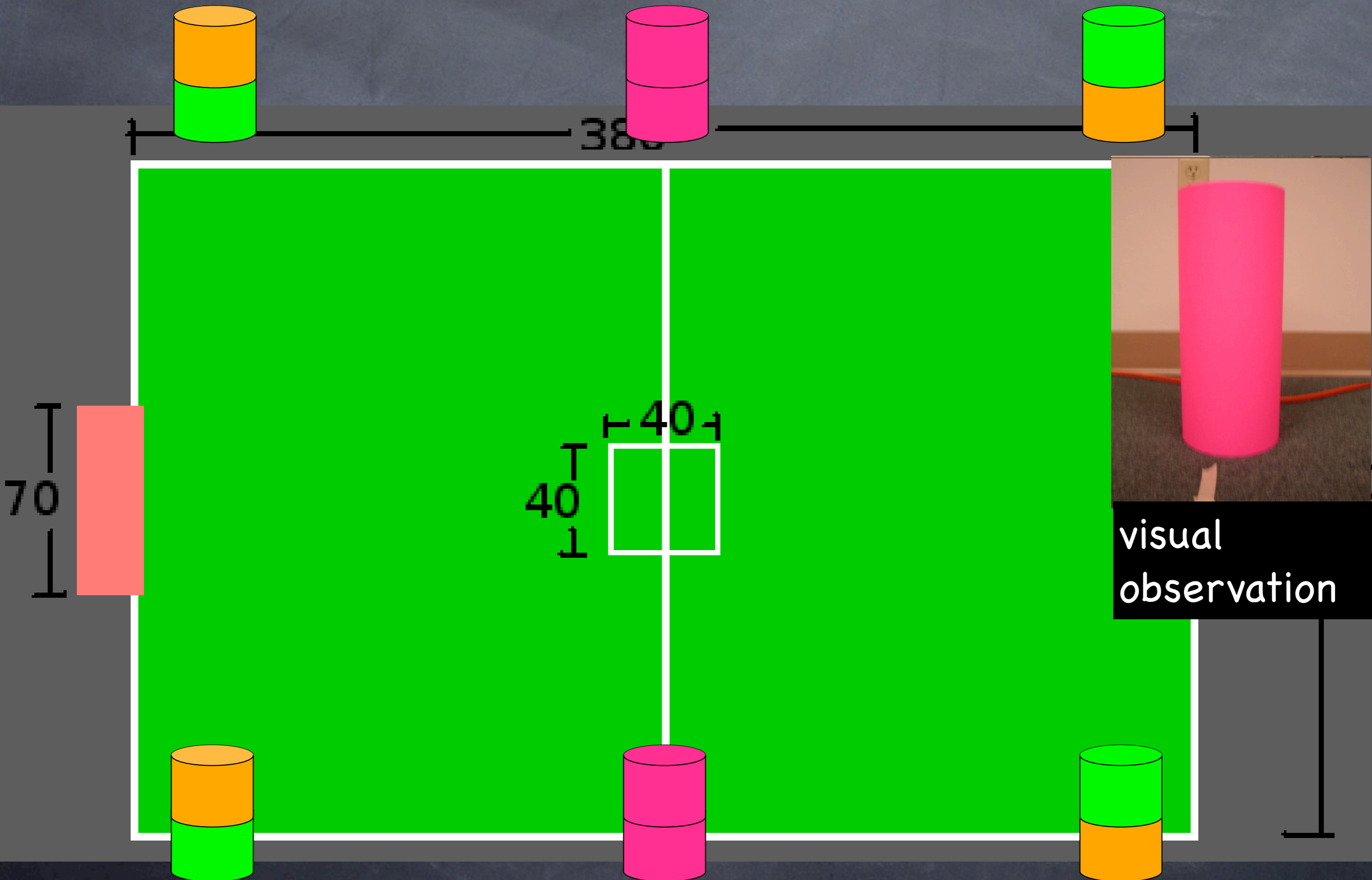
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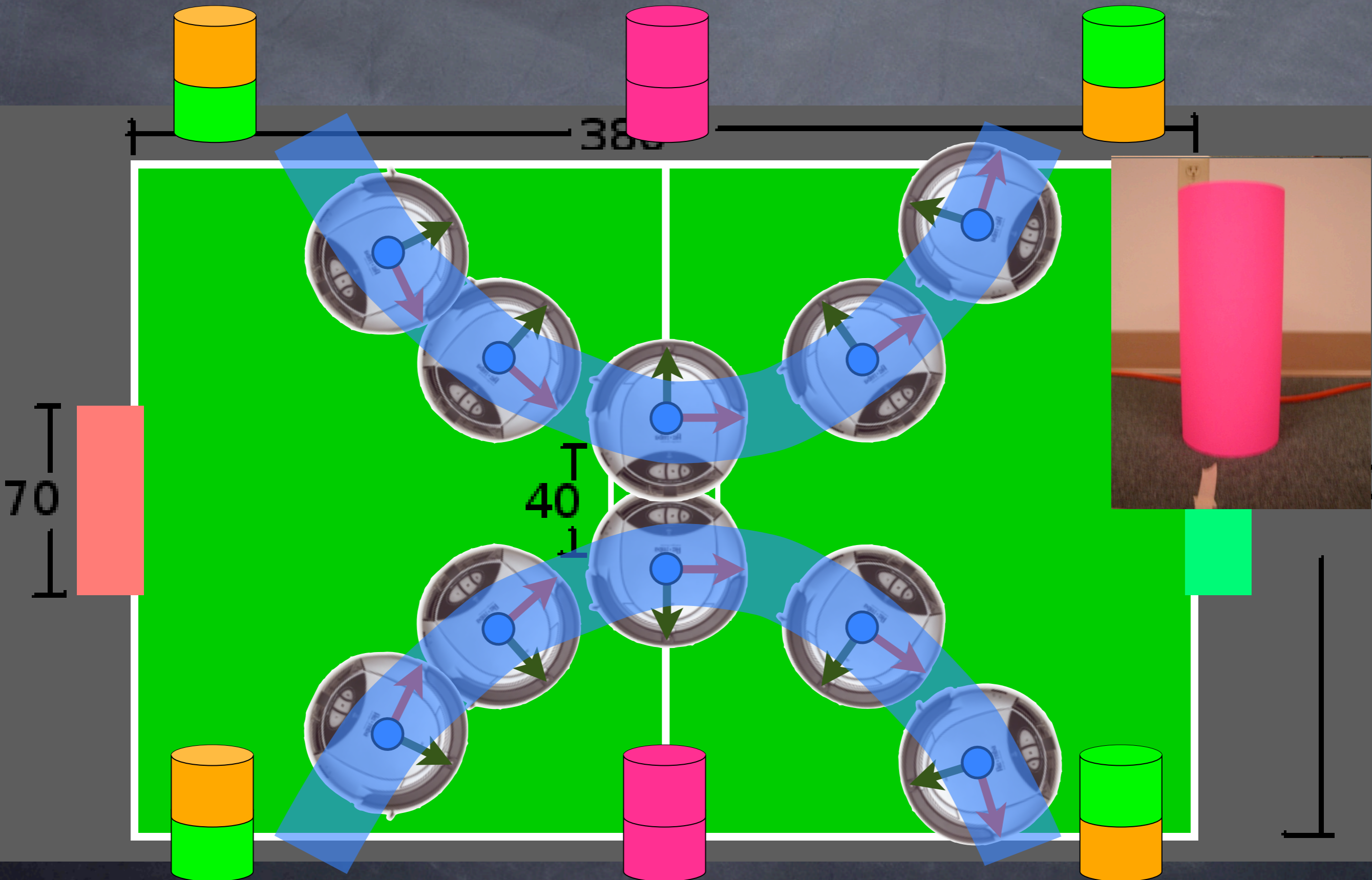
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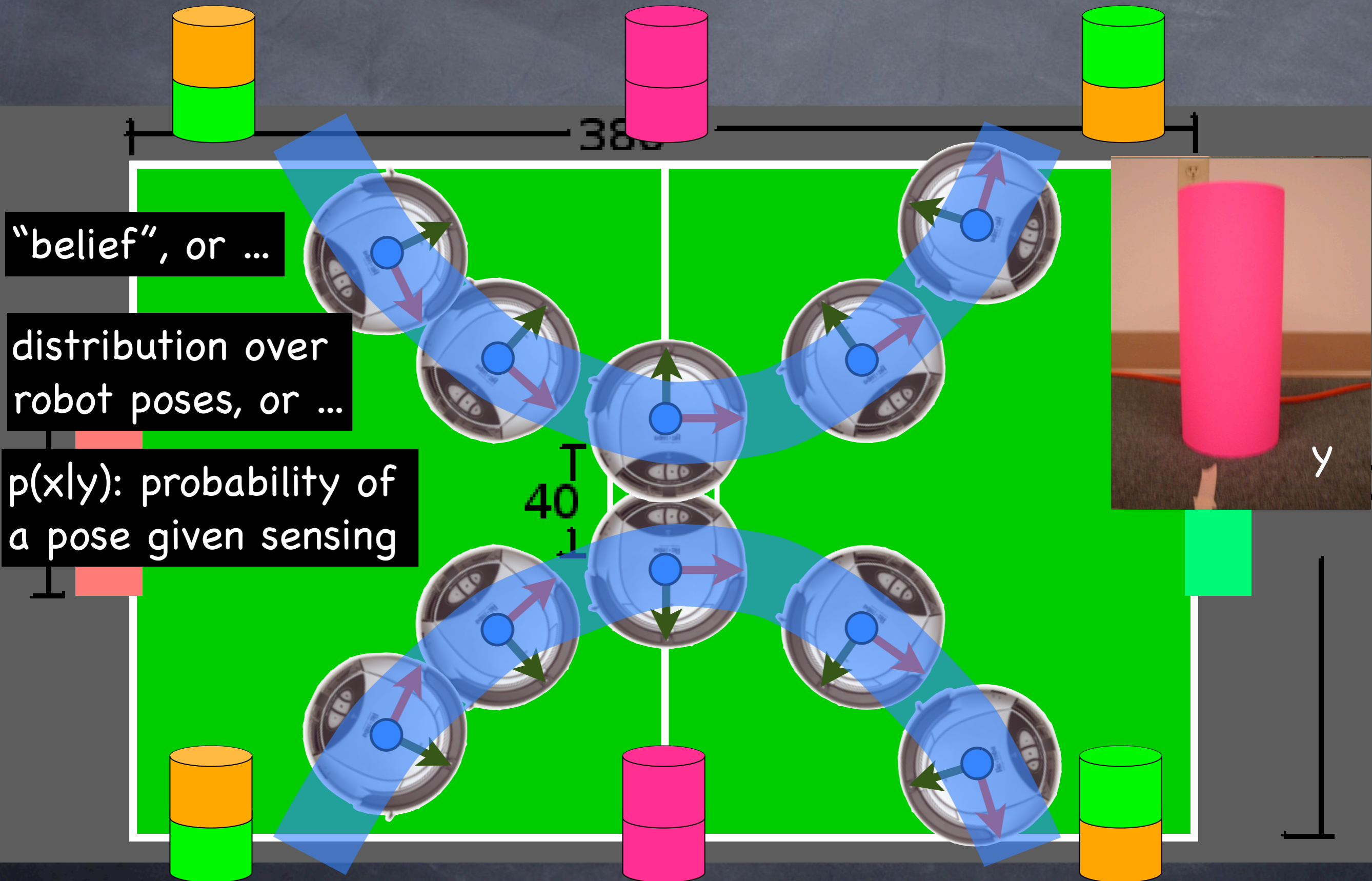
if the robot sees this landmark, where could it be?



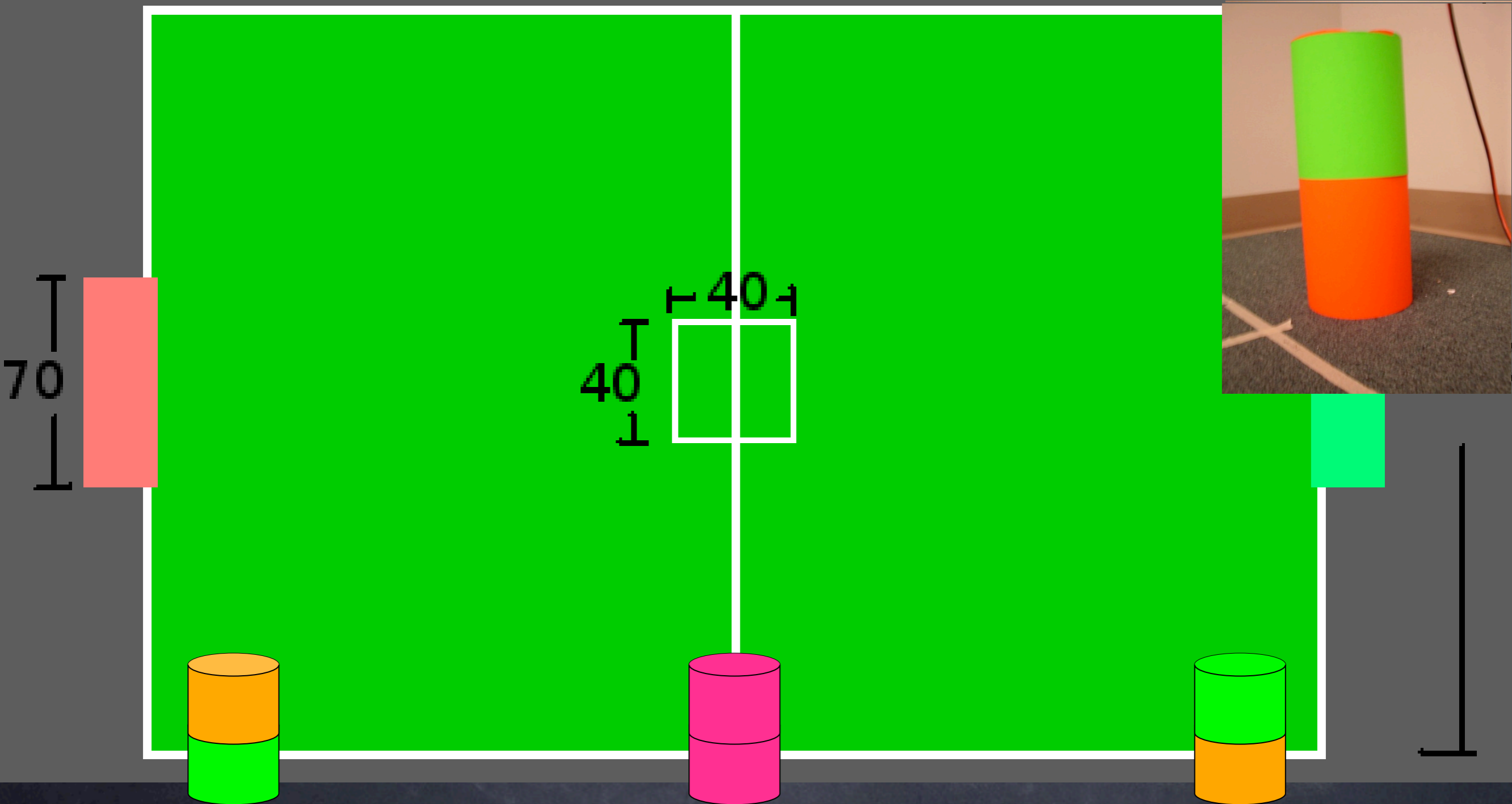
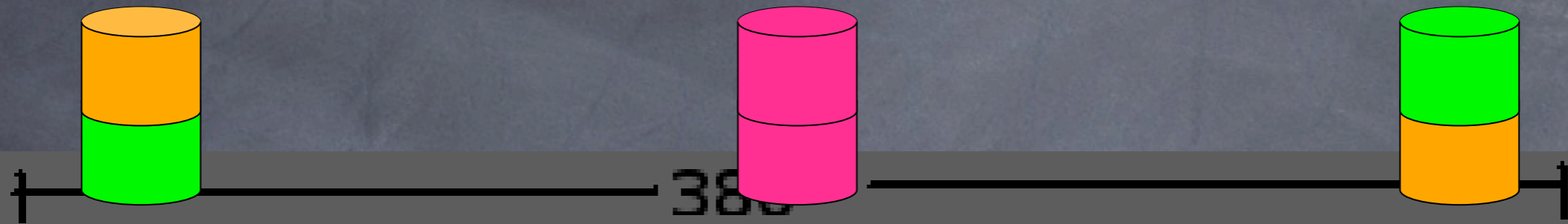
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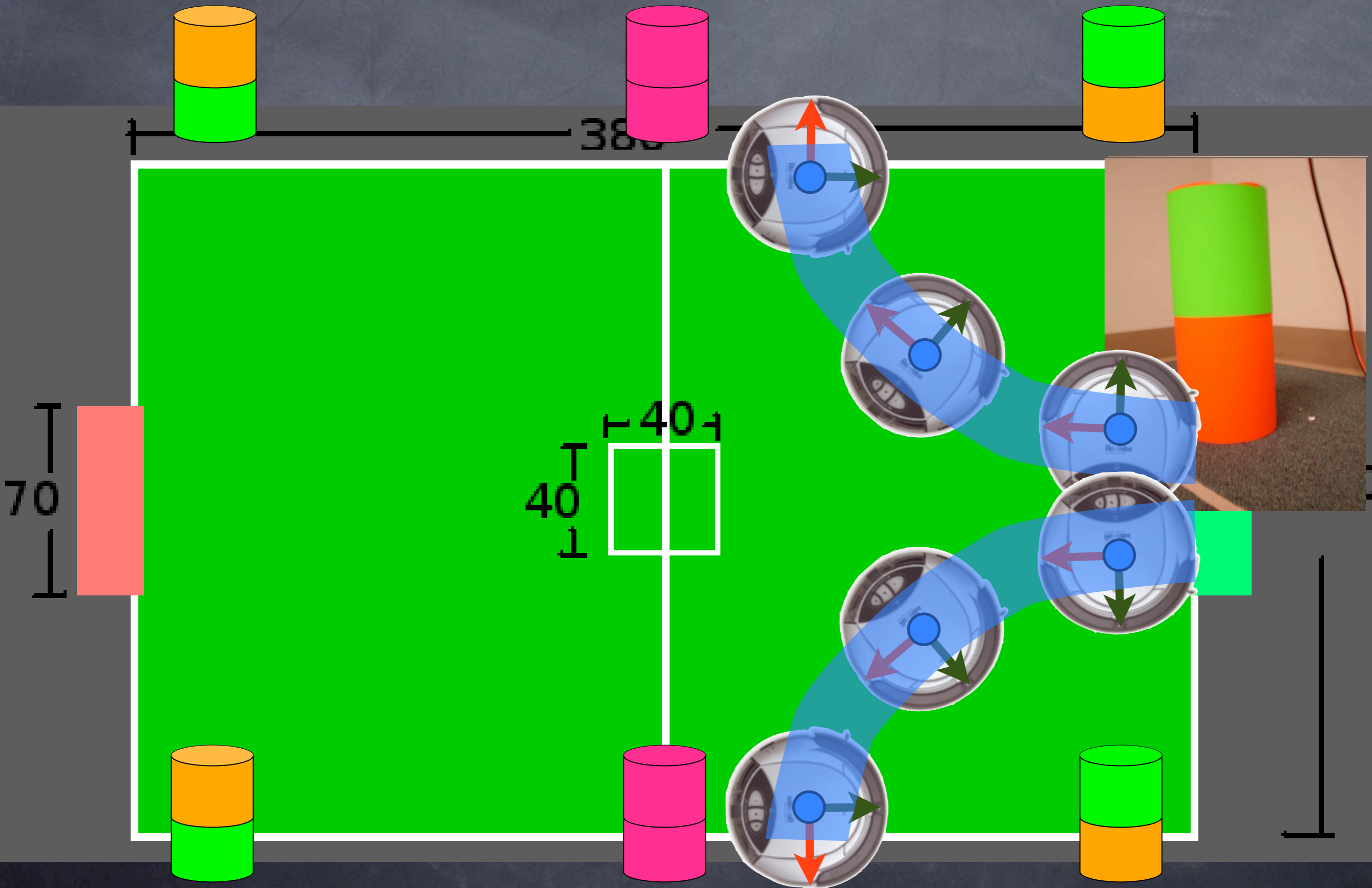
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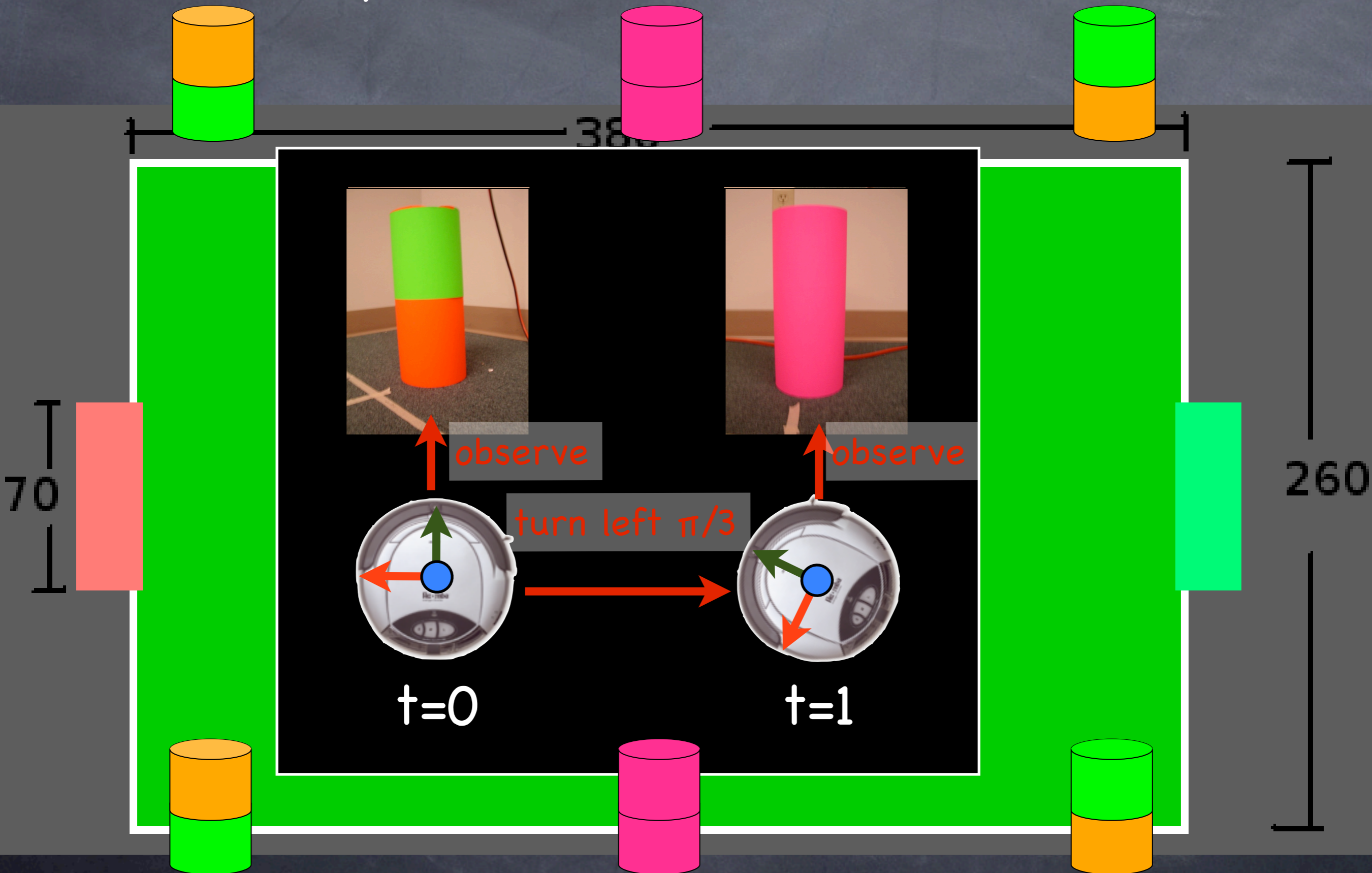
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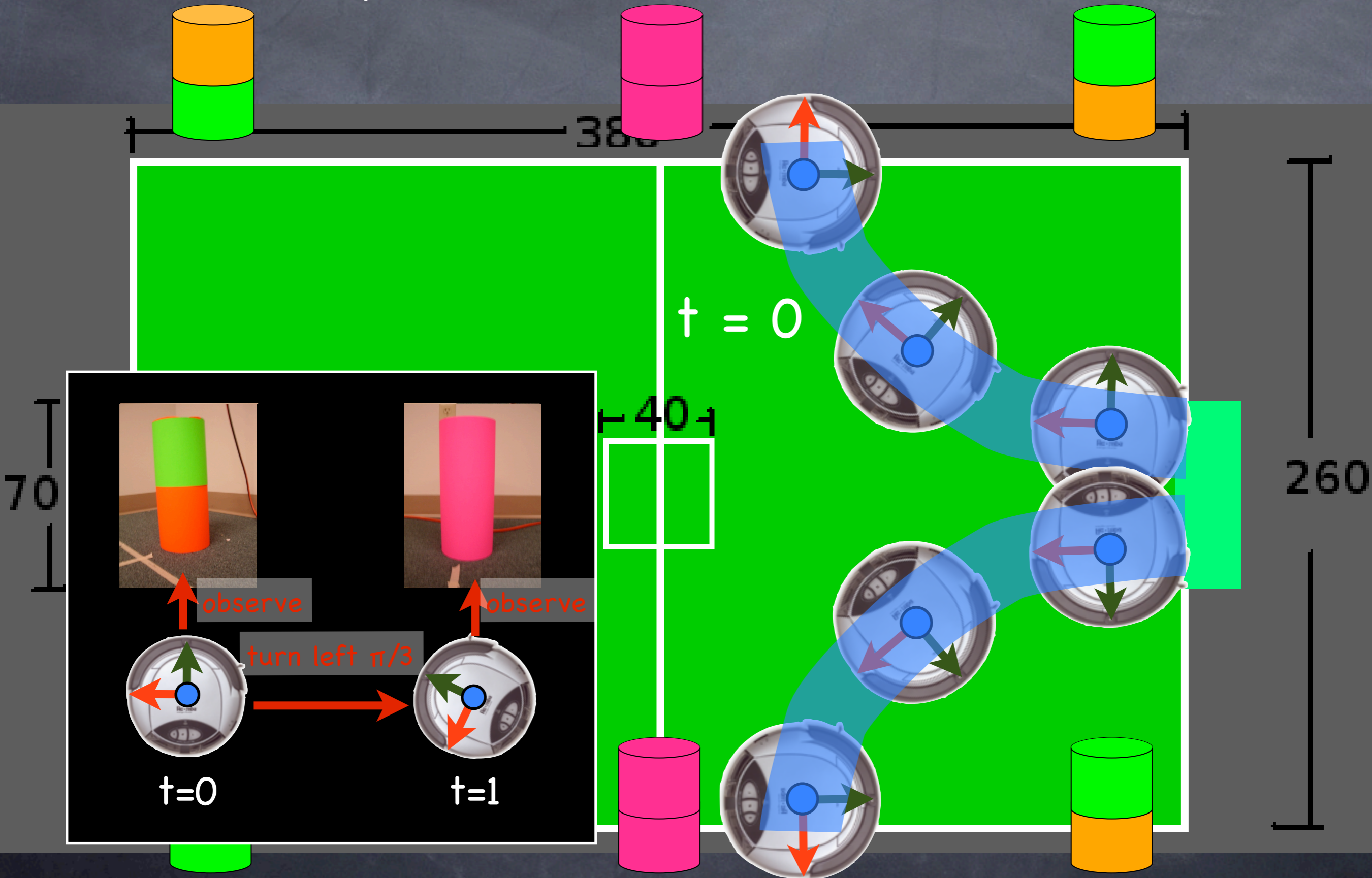
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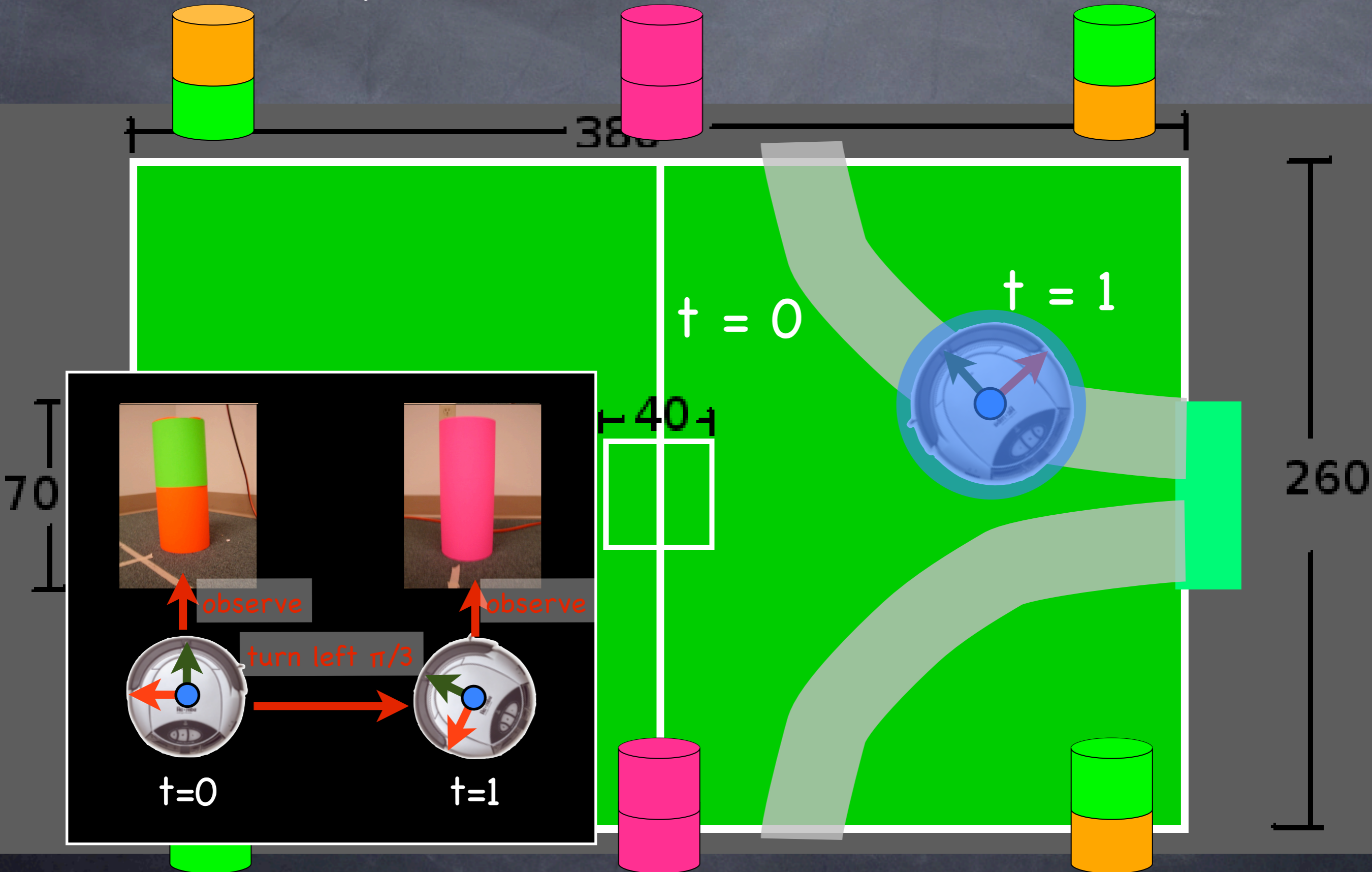
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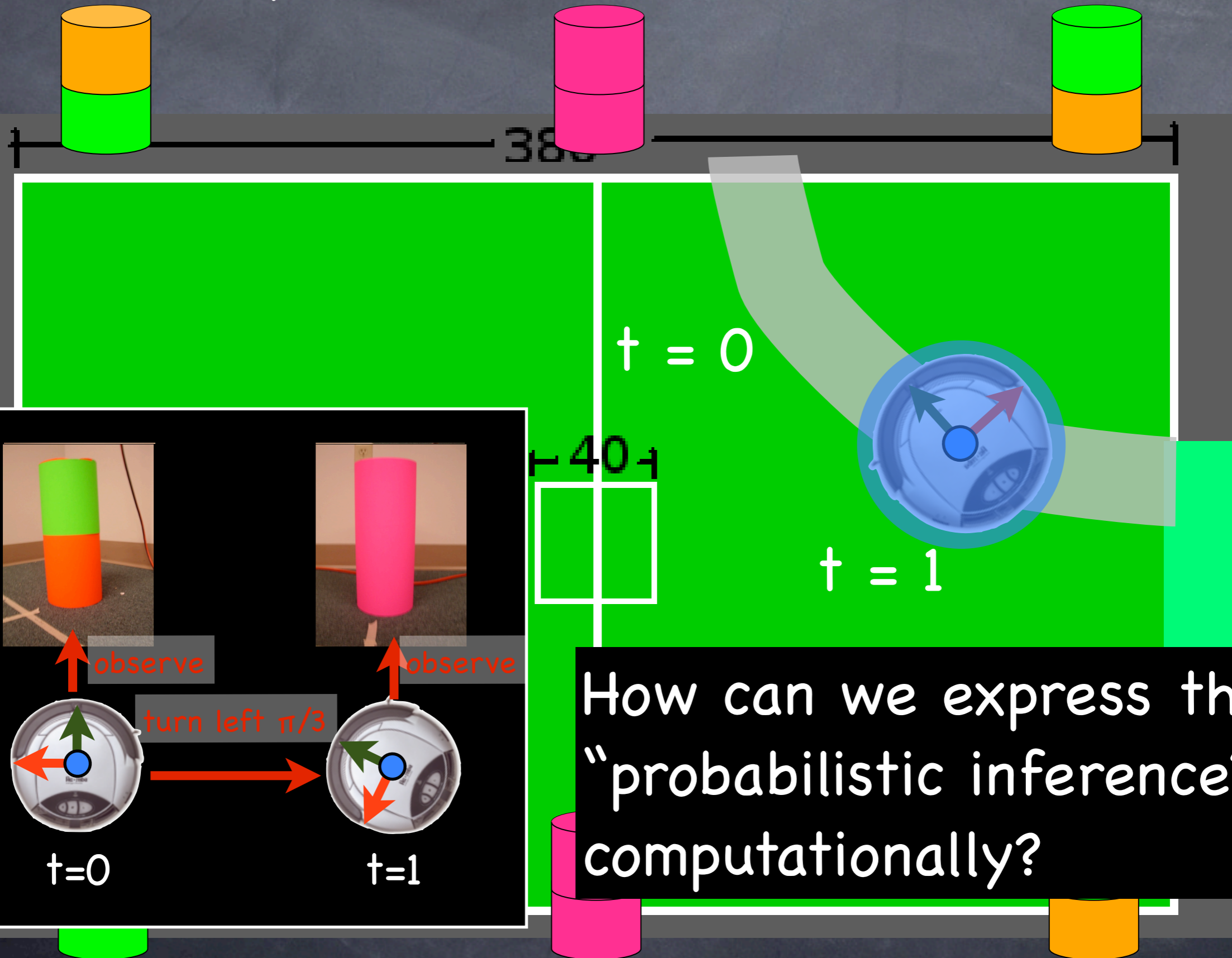
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How can we express this "probabilistic inference" computationally?

Bayes Rule

- relates one conditional probability to its inverse
- posterior is proportional to likelihood * prior
- A: possible robot pose, B: given robot observation

likelihood: consistency of an assumed pose with given observations

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A) P(A)}{P(B)}$$

posterior: resultant distribution of poses considering observations

normalization: distributions must sum to 1

prior: previous knowledge/bias about robot poses

Bayesian Filtering

posterior

likelihood "update"

prior: predict new belief from previous belief "predict"

$$p(\mathbf{x}_k | \mathbf{Z}_k) = \frac{p(\mathbf{Z}_k | \mathbf{x}_k) p(\mathbf{x}_k | \mathbf{Z}_{k-1})}{p(\mathbf{Z}_k | \mathbf{Z}_{k-1})}$$

assume constant denominator, becomes constant α

$$= \alpha p(\mathbf{Z}_k | \mathbf{x}_k) p(\mathbf{x}_k | \mathbf{Z}_{k-1})$$

restate prior into dynamics and recursive prior

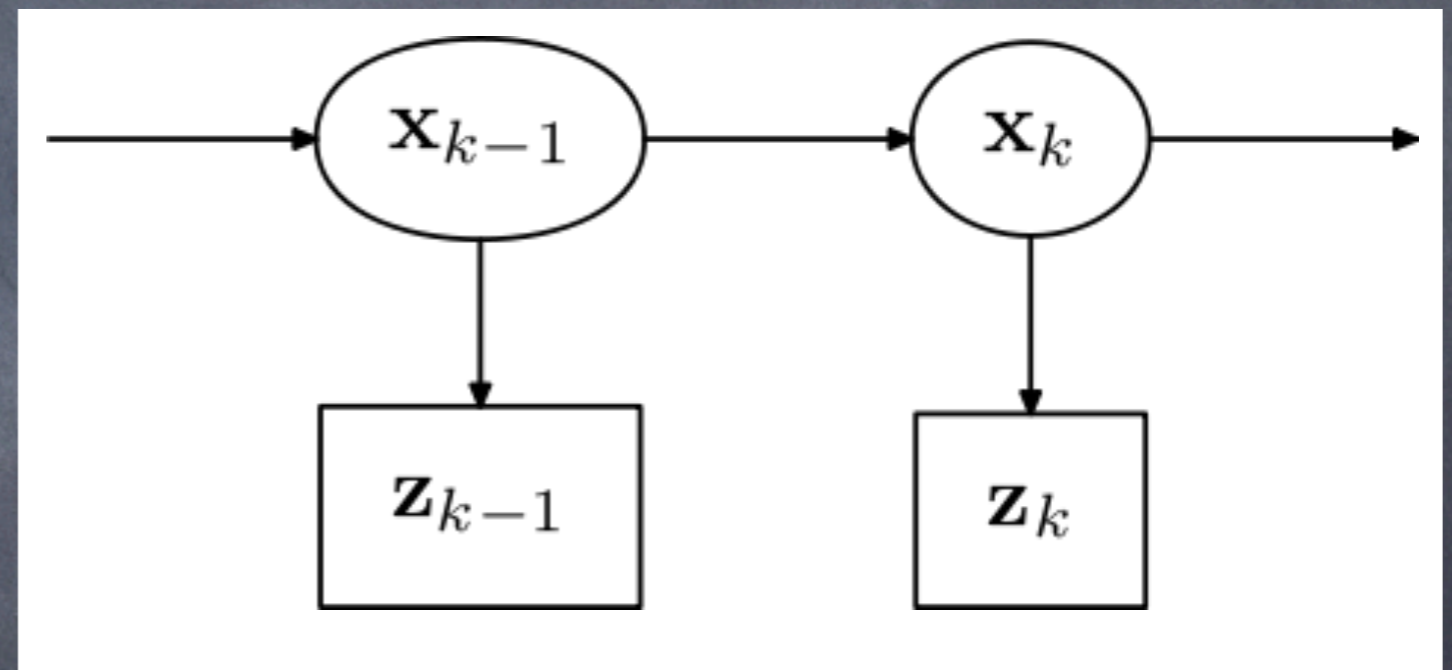
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dynamics: predict new belief from previous belief

prior: belief from previous time step

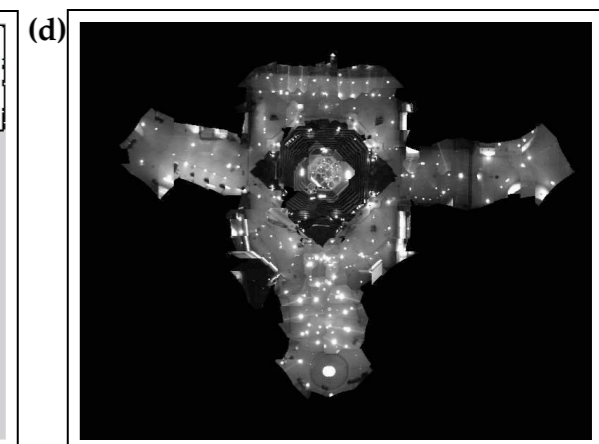
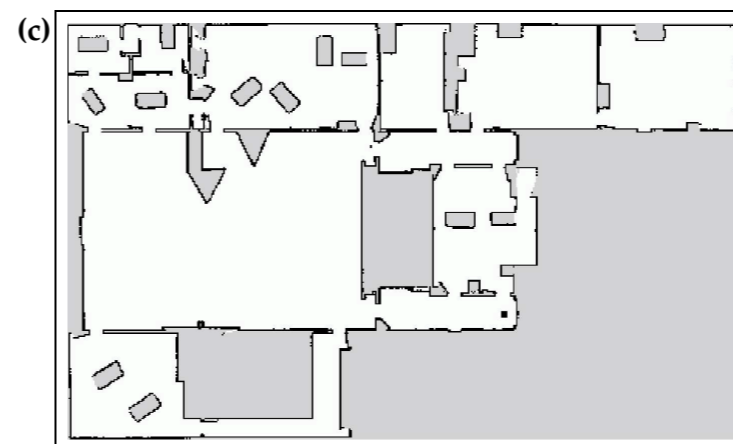
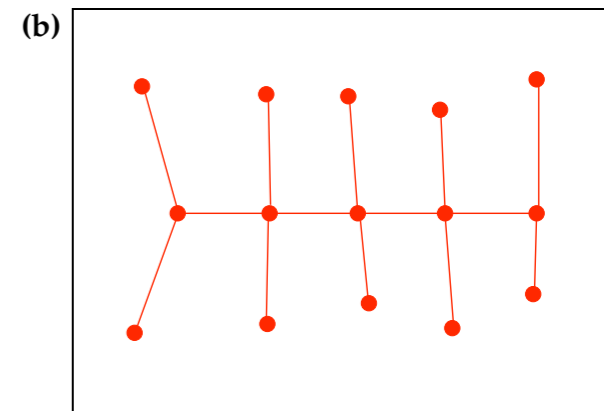
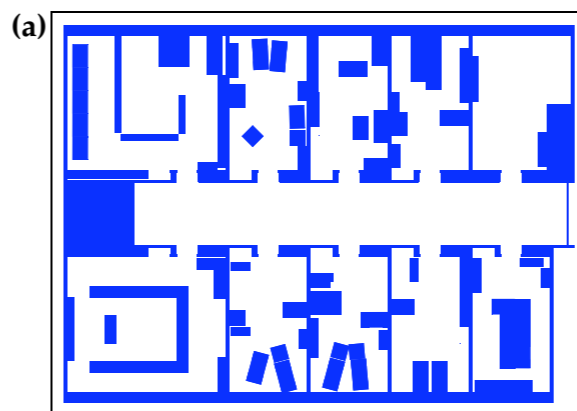
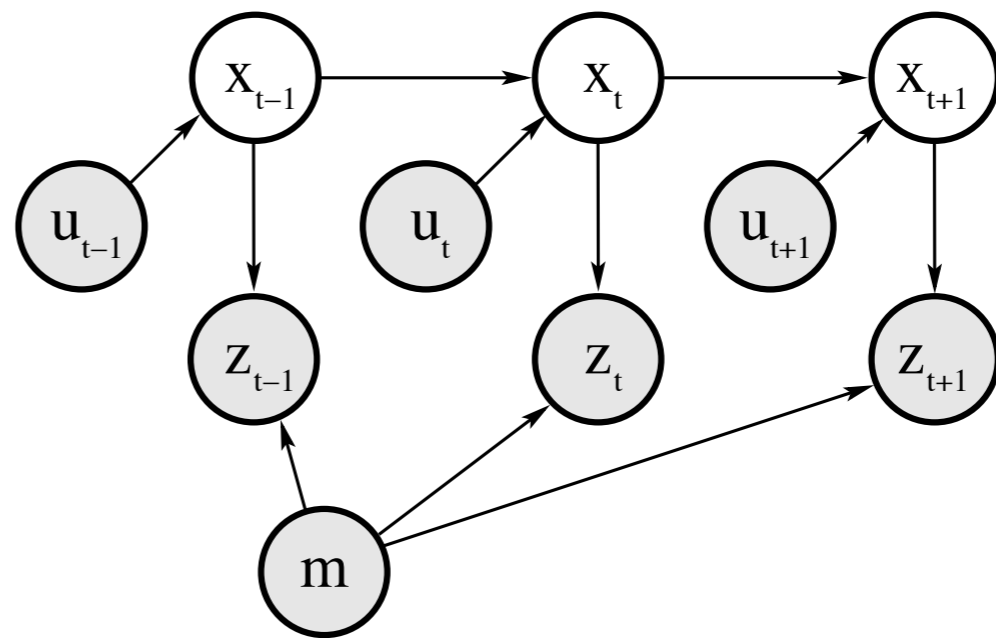
Bayesian Filtering is...

- **Markovian:** future depends on only current state
- recursive inference in time
- expressible as a “graphical model”



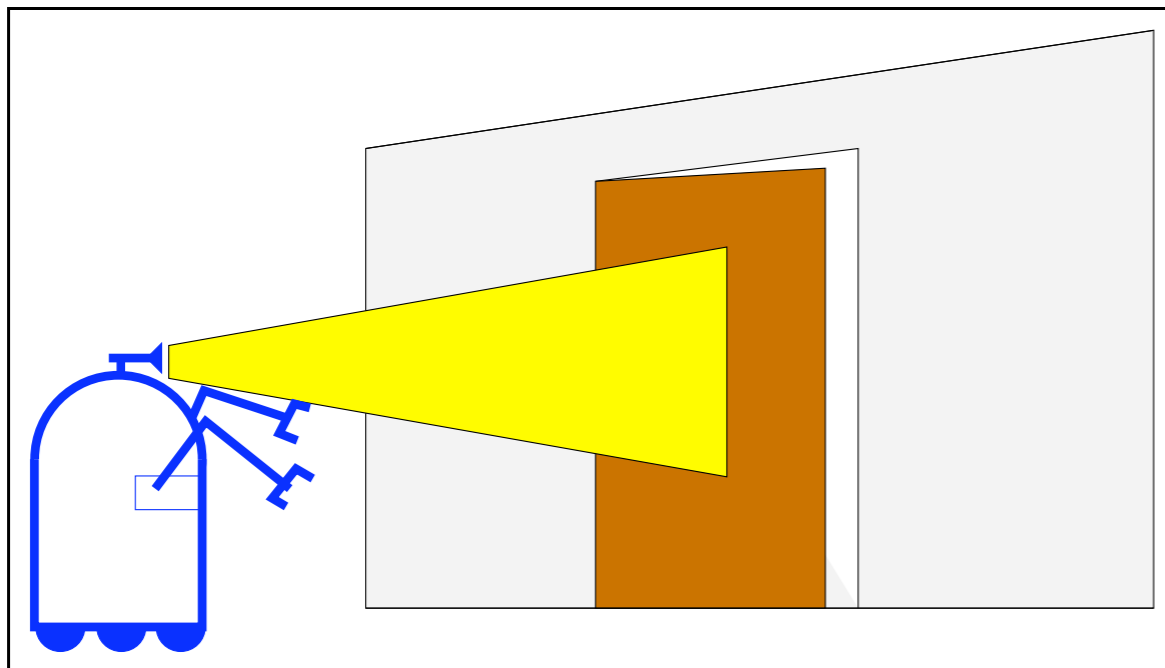
Bayesian Filtering for Robot Localization

- Assumes a map m
 - metric
 - topological
- Choice of belief distribution
 - Grid
 - Gaussian
 - Multi-hypothesis



1D Hallway Robot

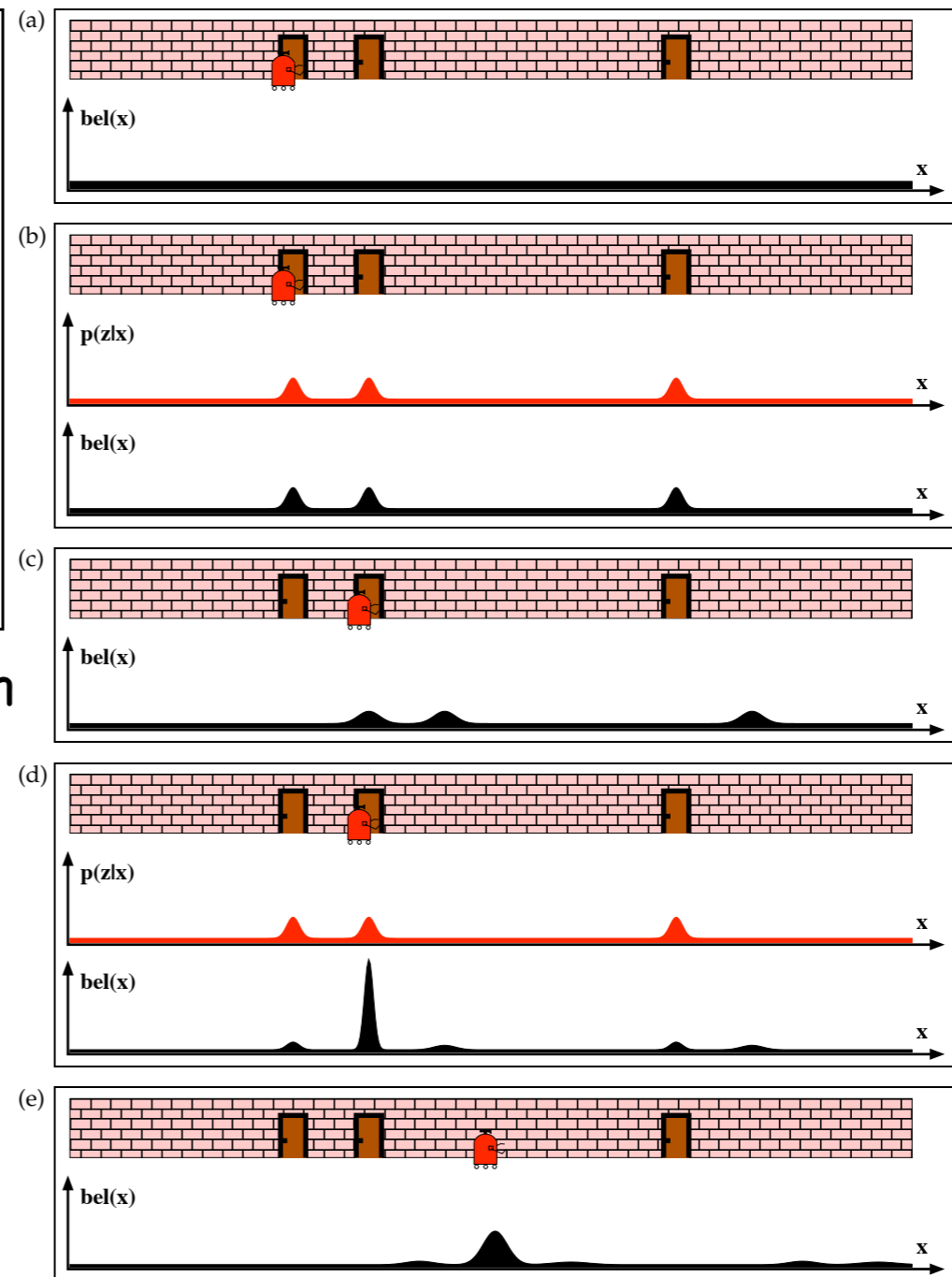
Example [Thrun et al 2005]



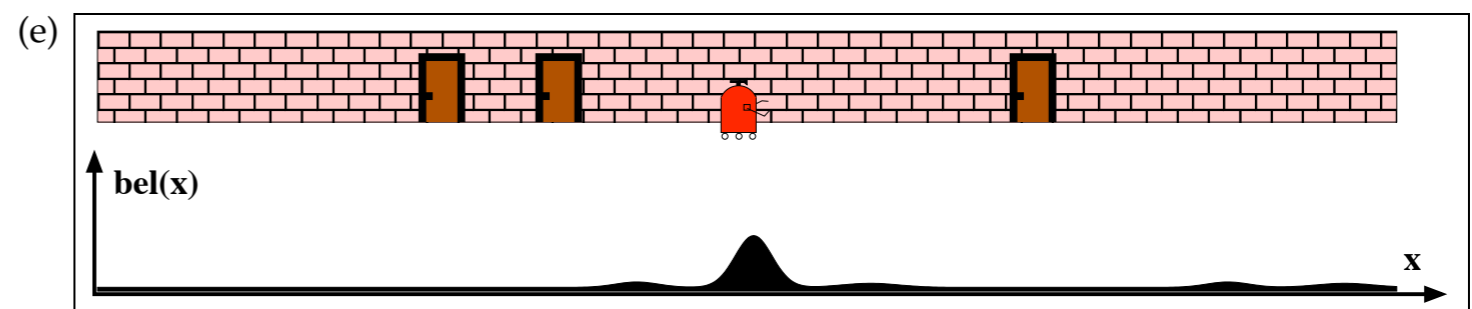
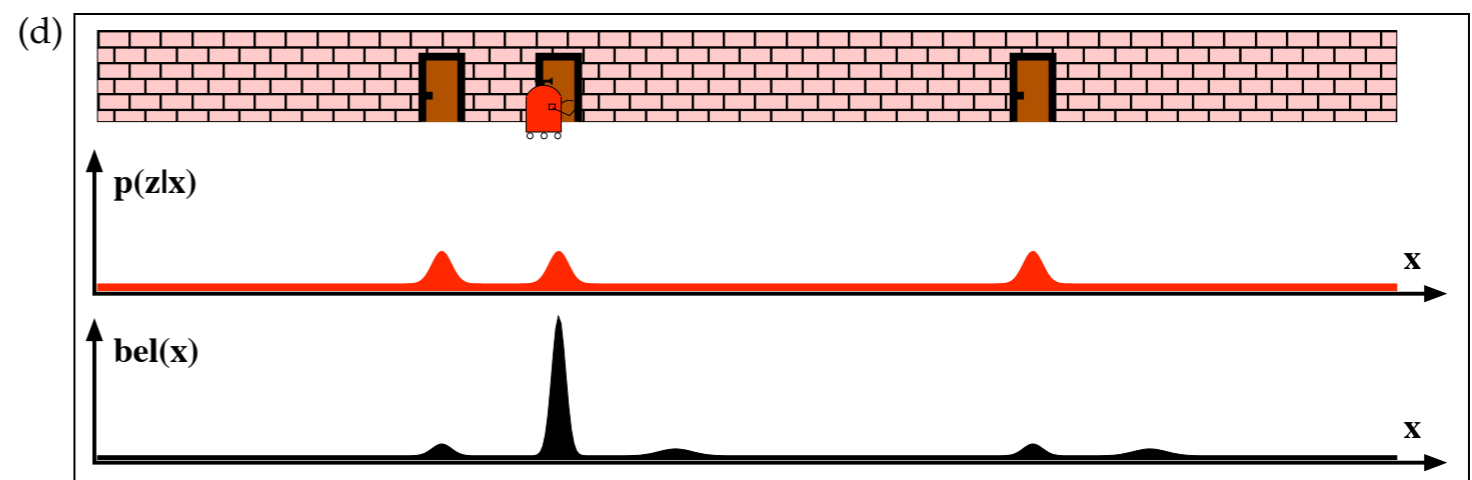
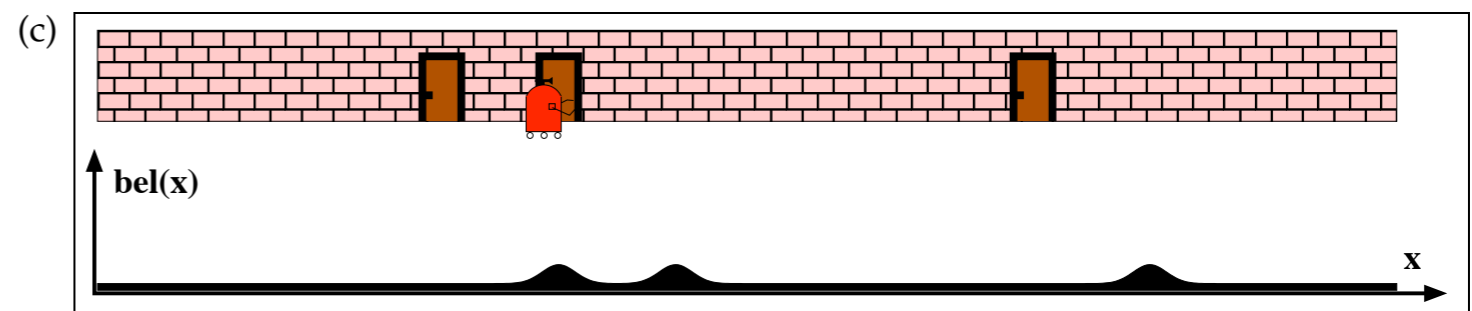
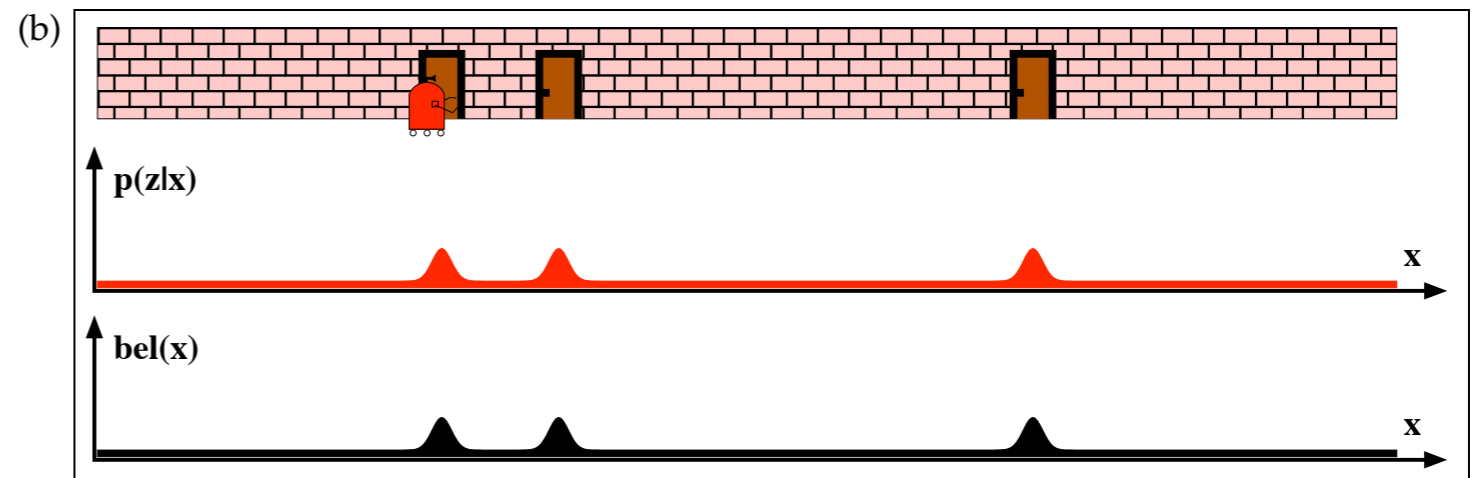
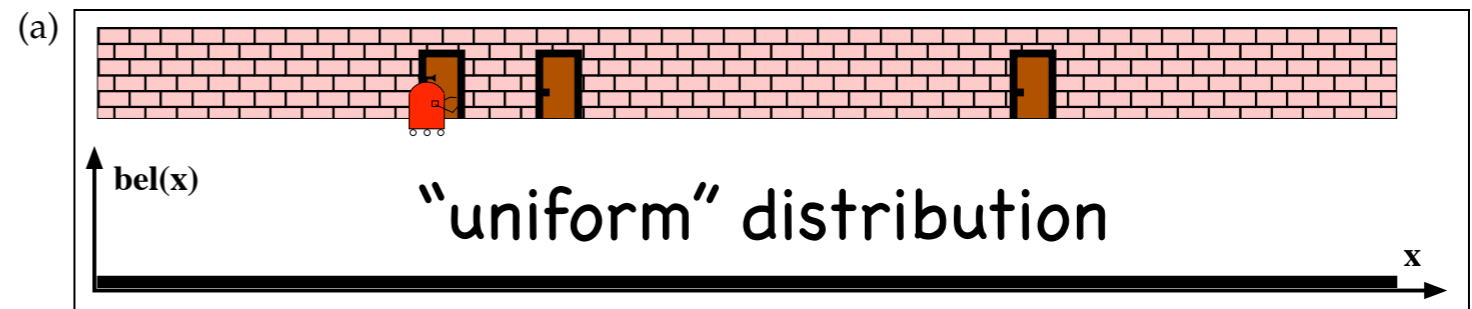
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Evolution of continuous Bayes Filter

Can we infer this distribution
on our robots?

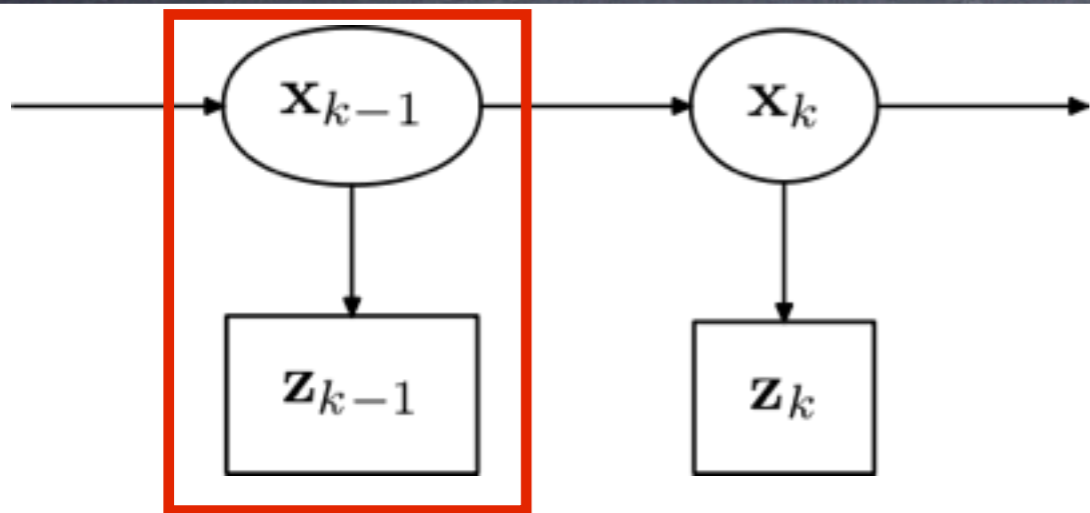
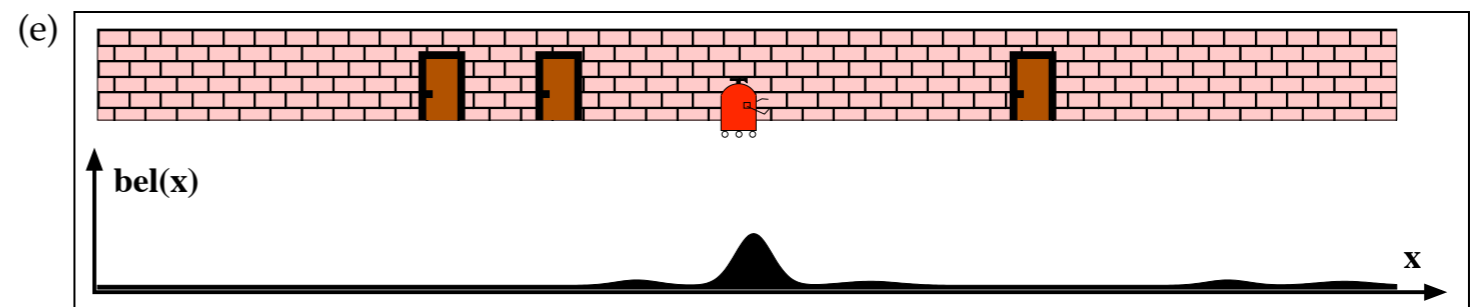
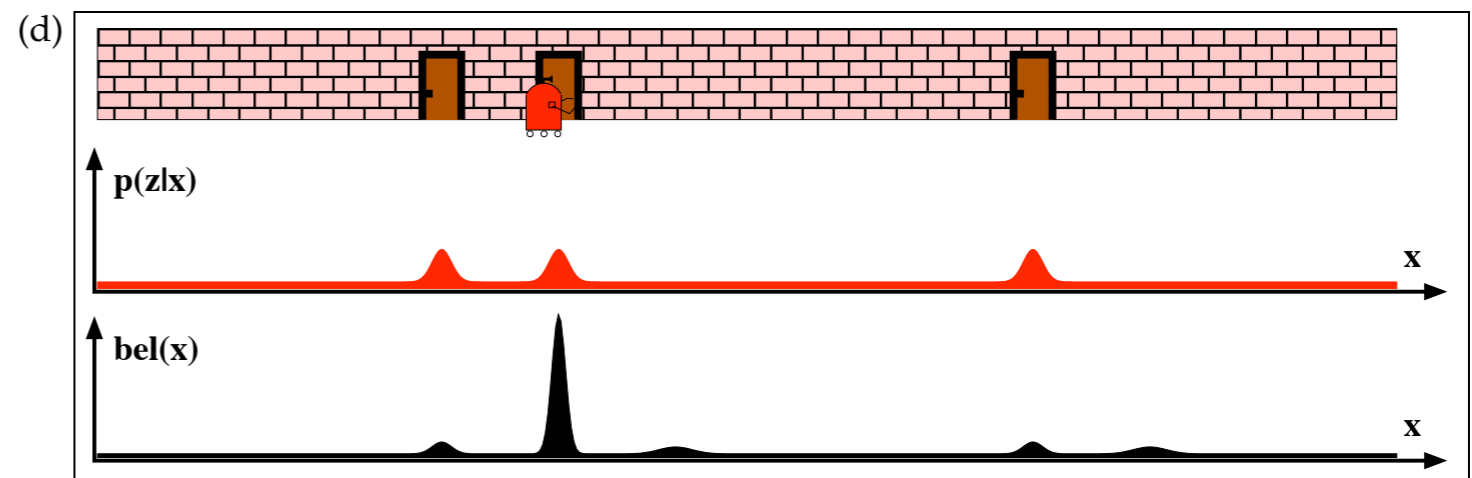
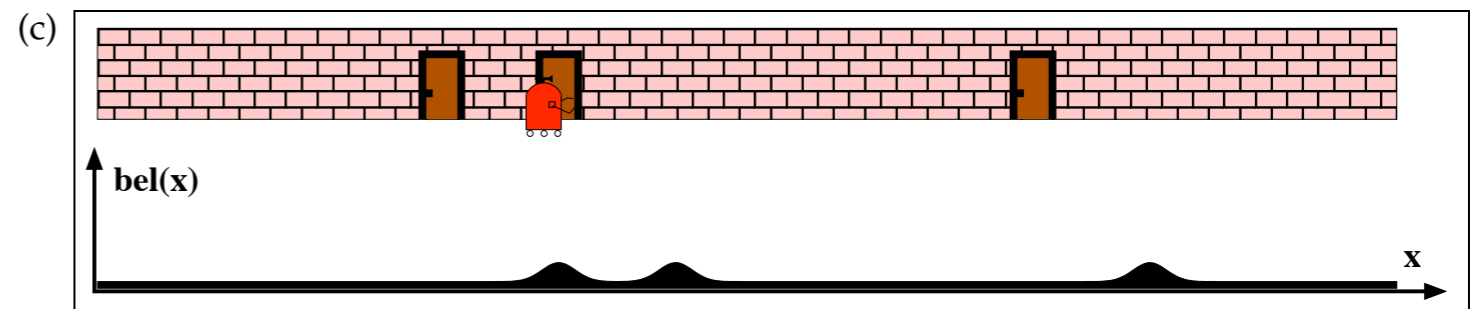
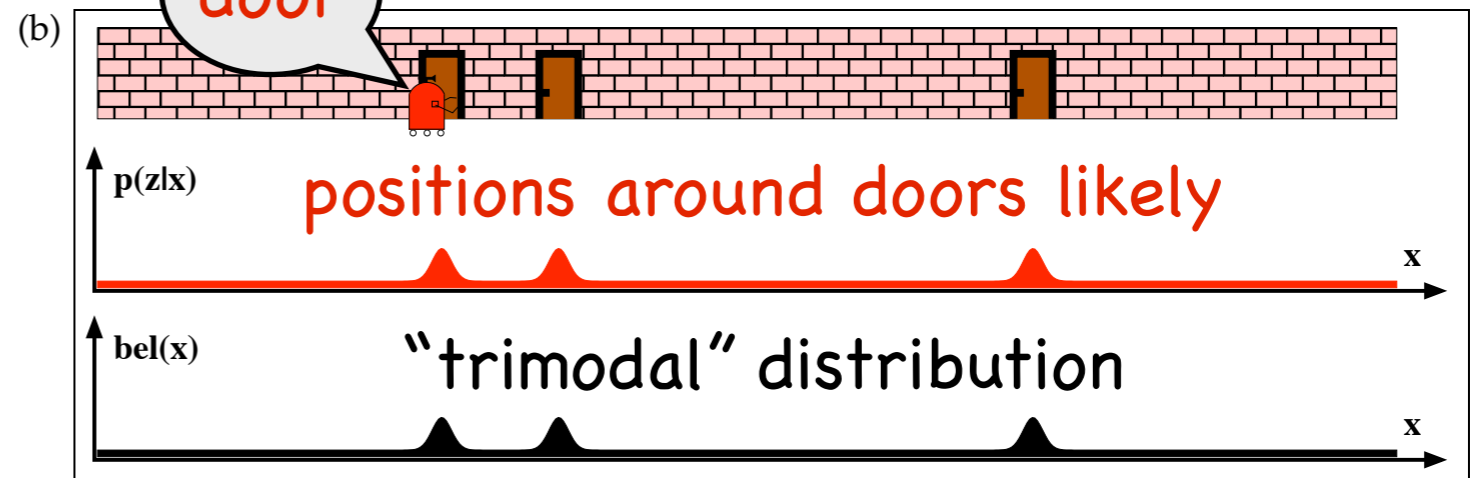
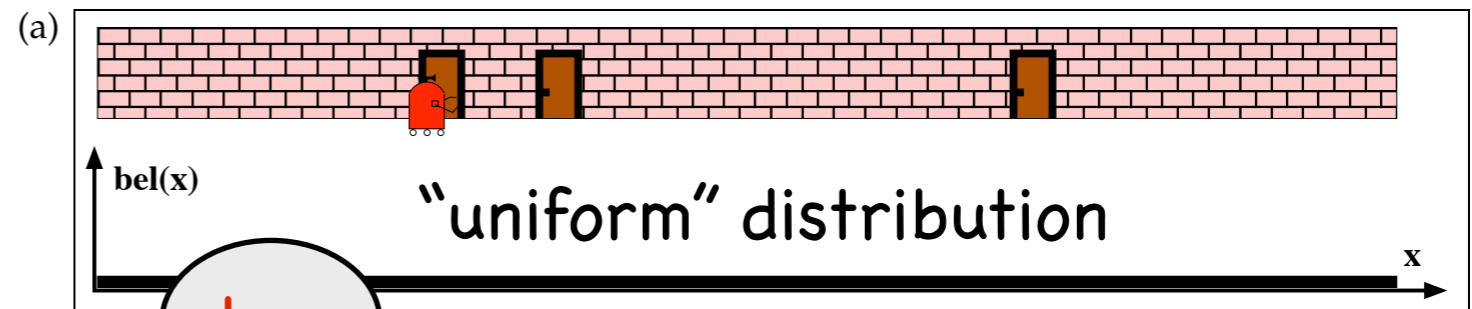


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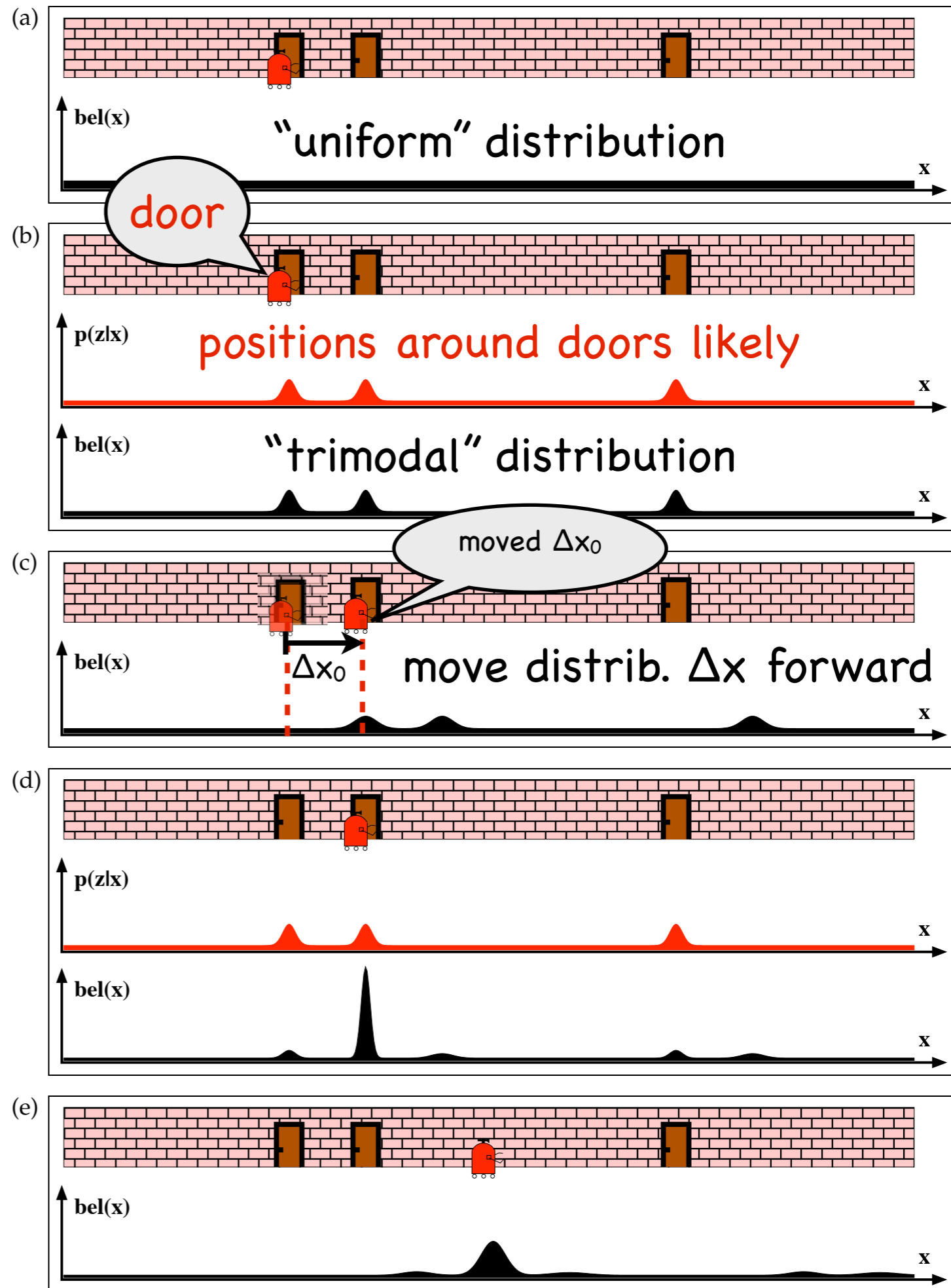
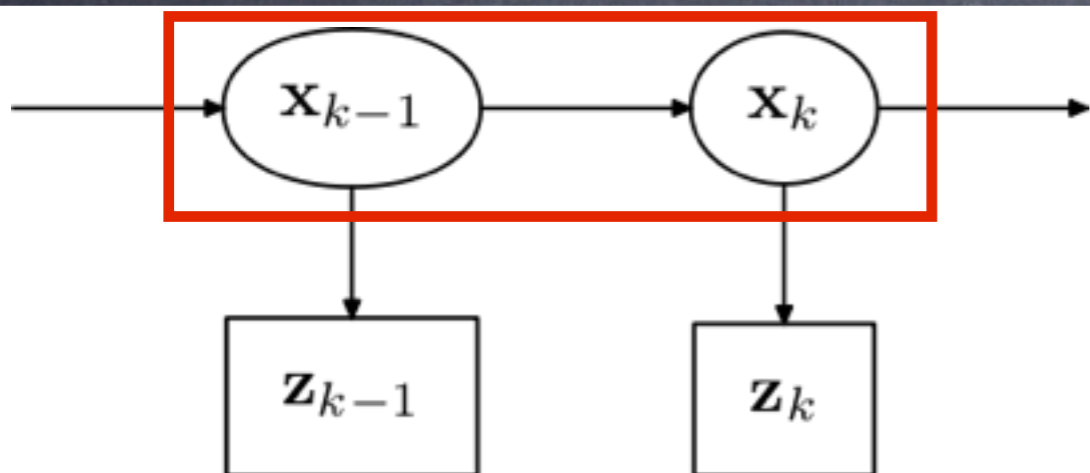
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(belief amasses around doors)



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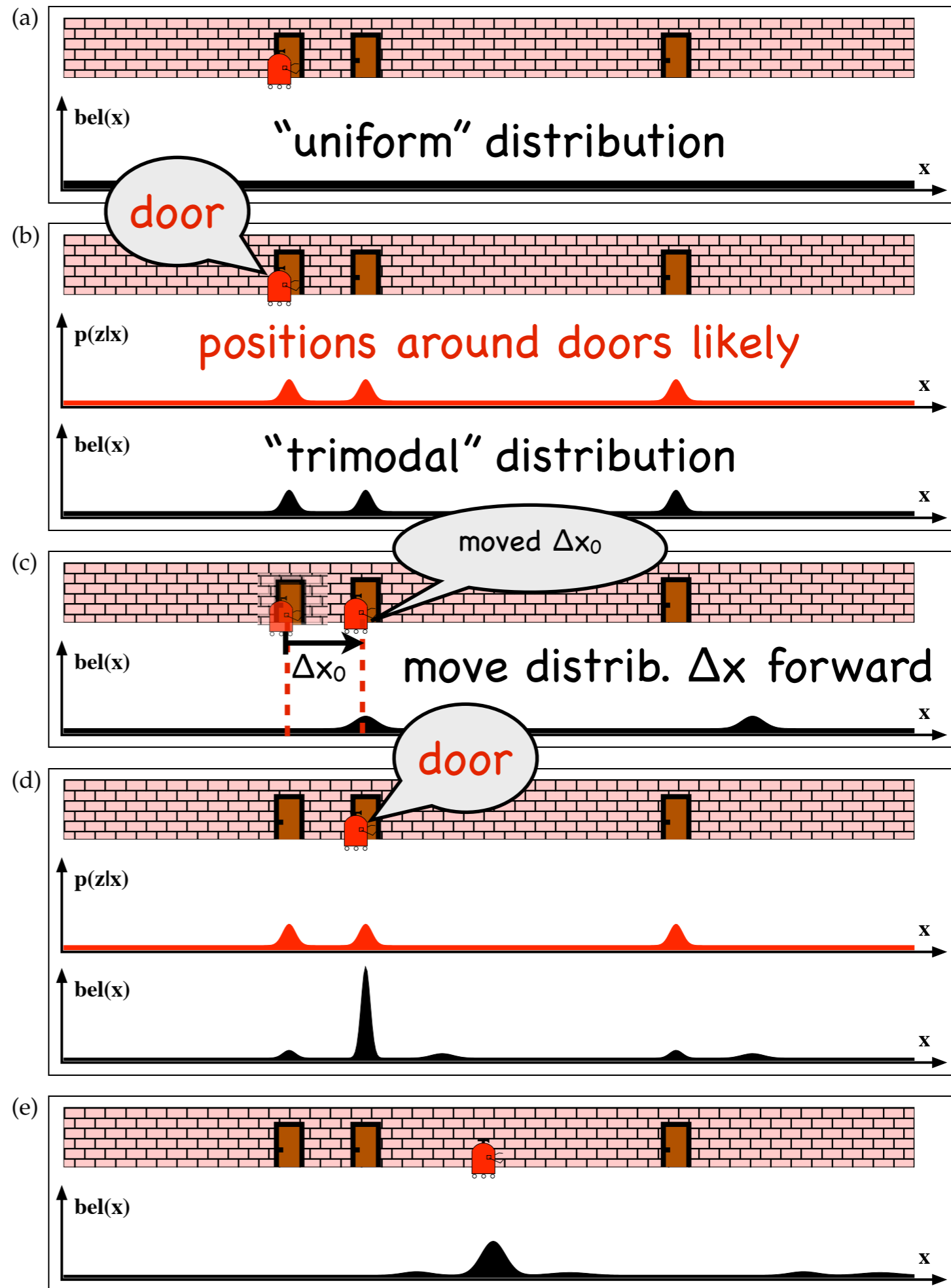
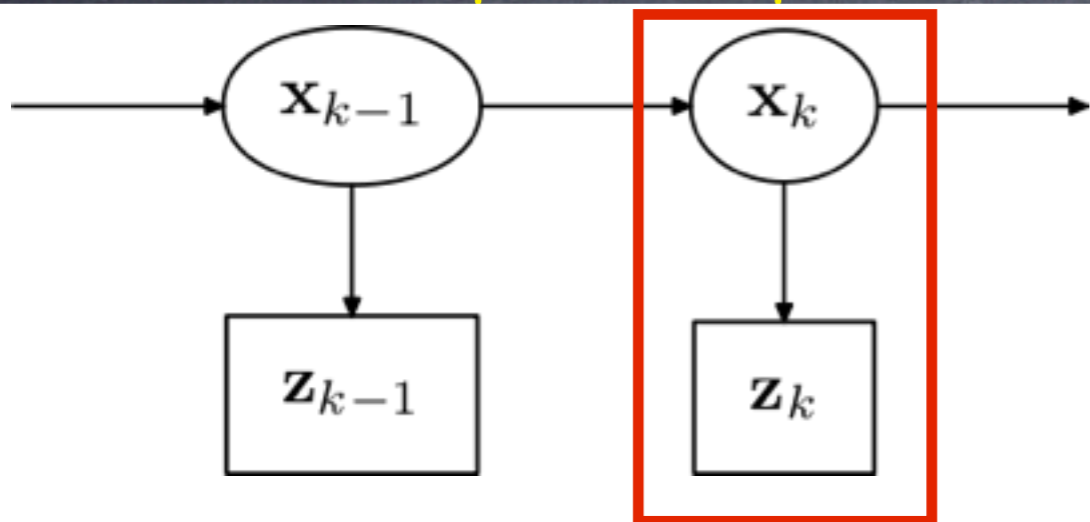


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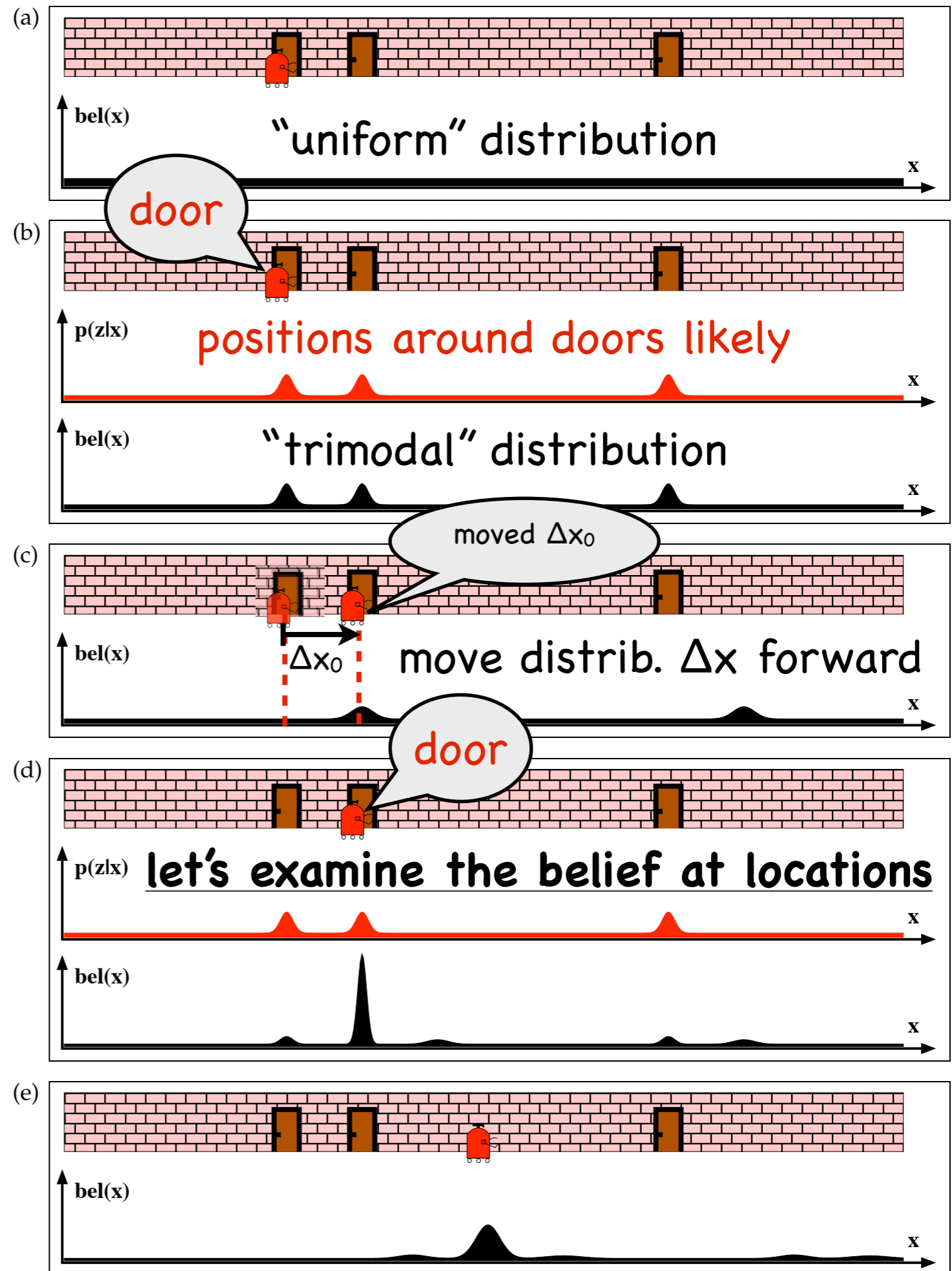
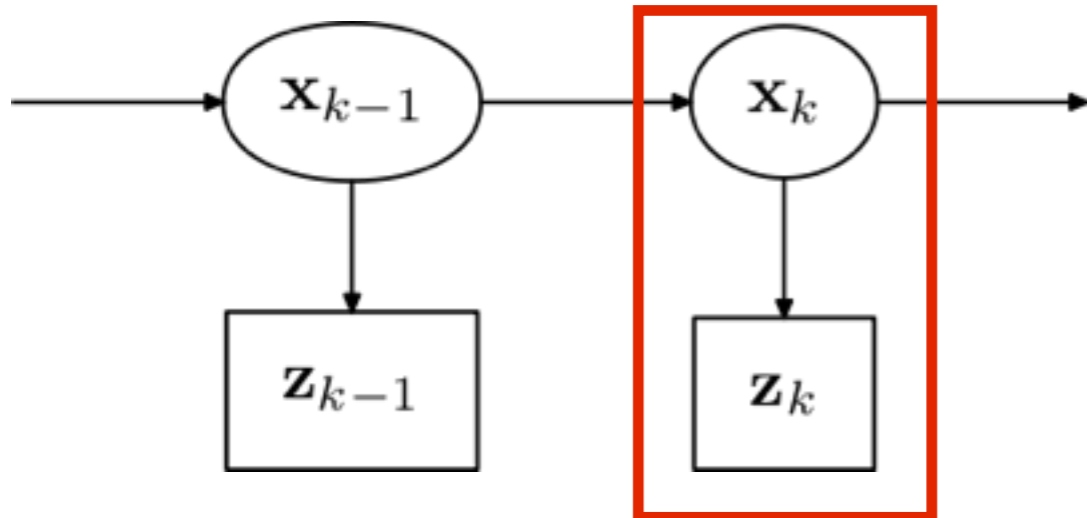


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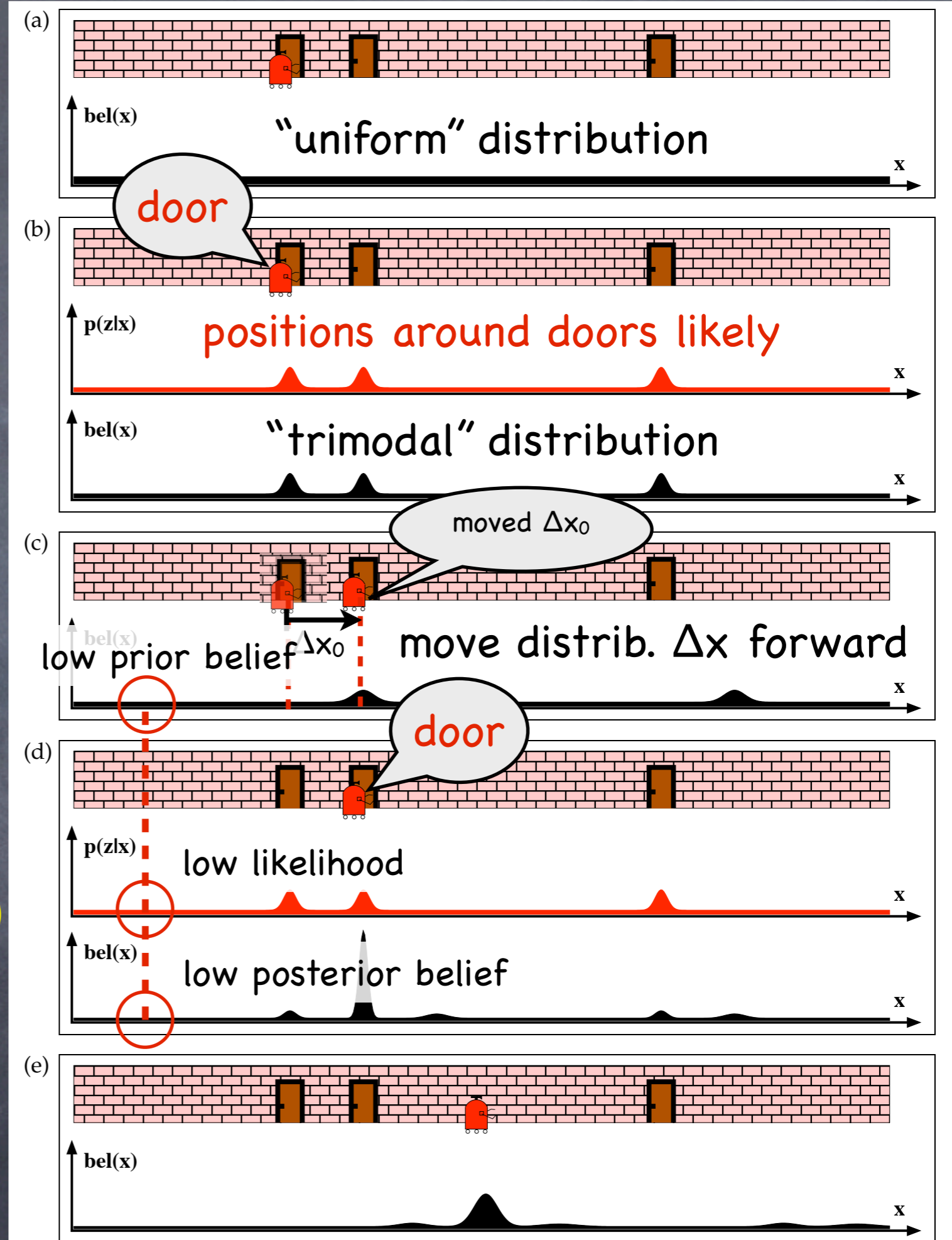


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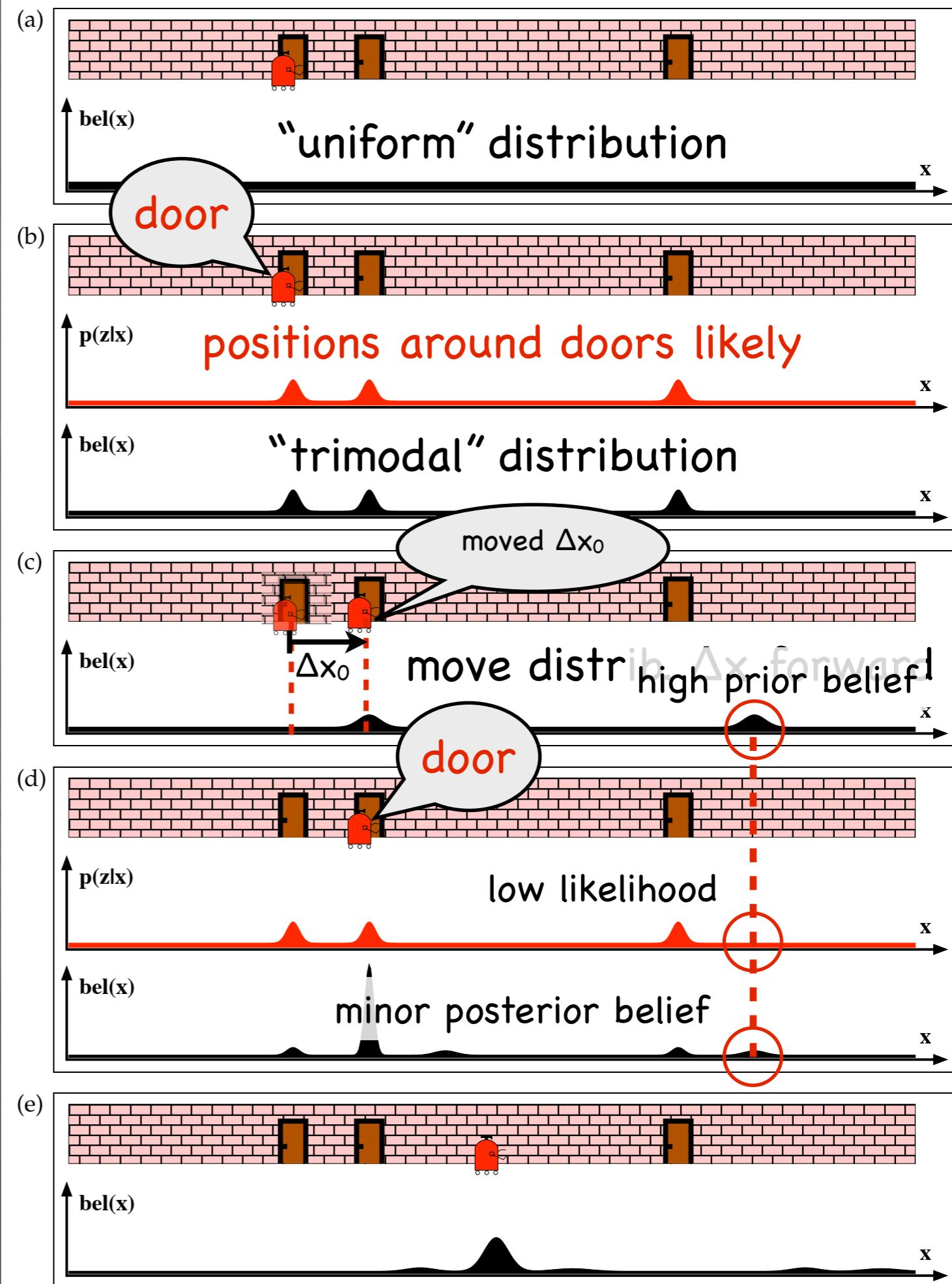


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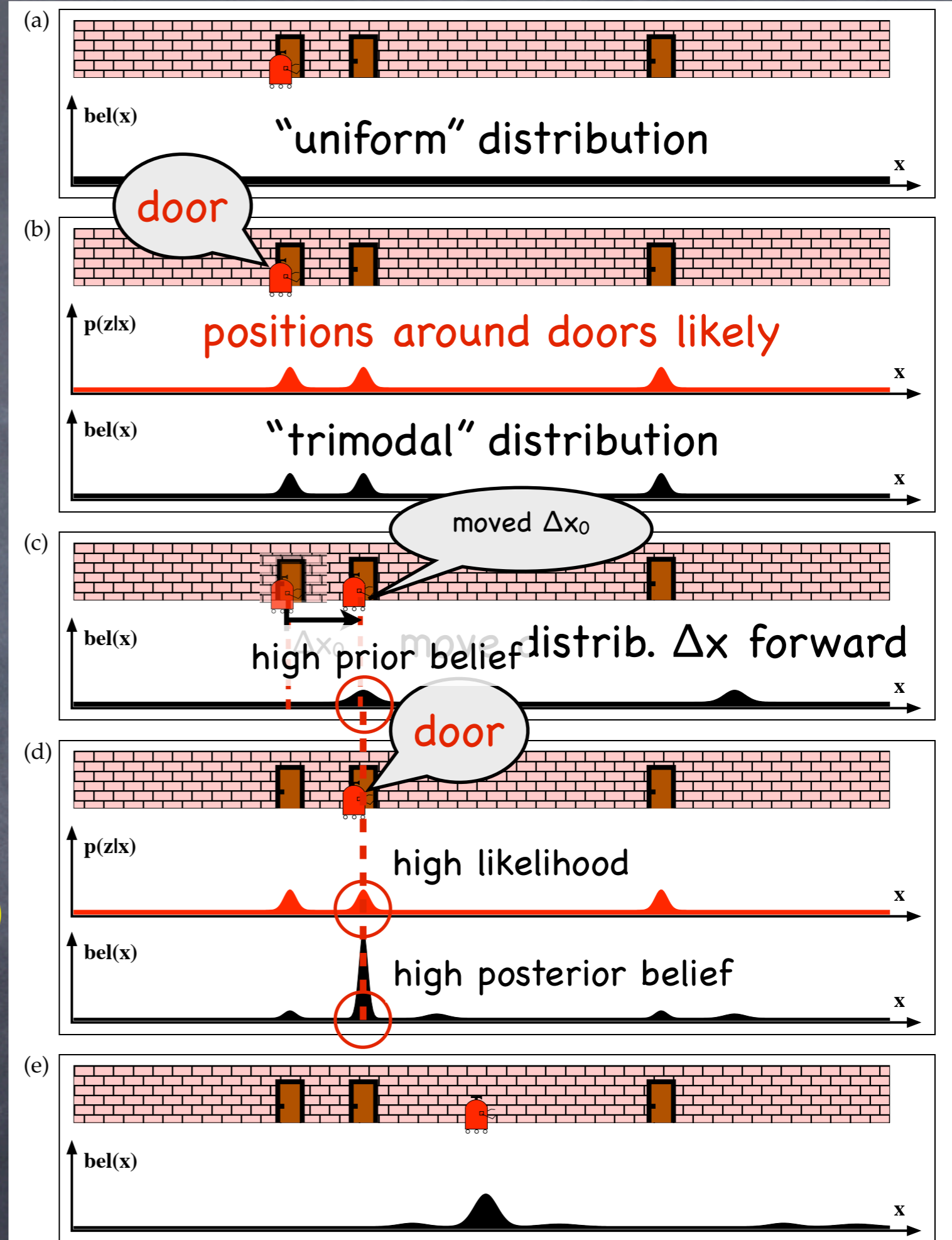


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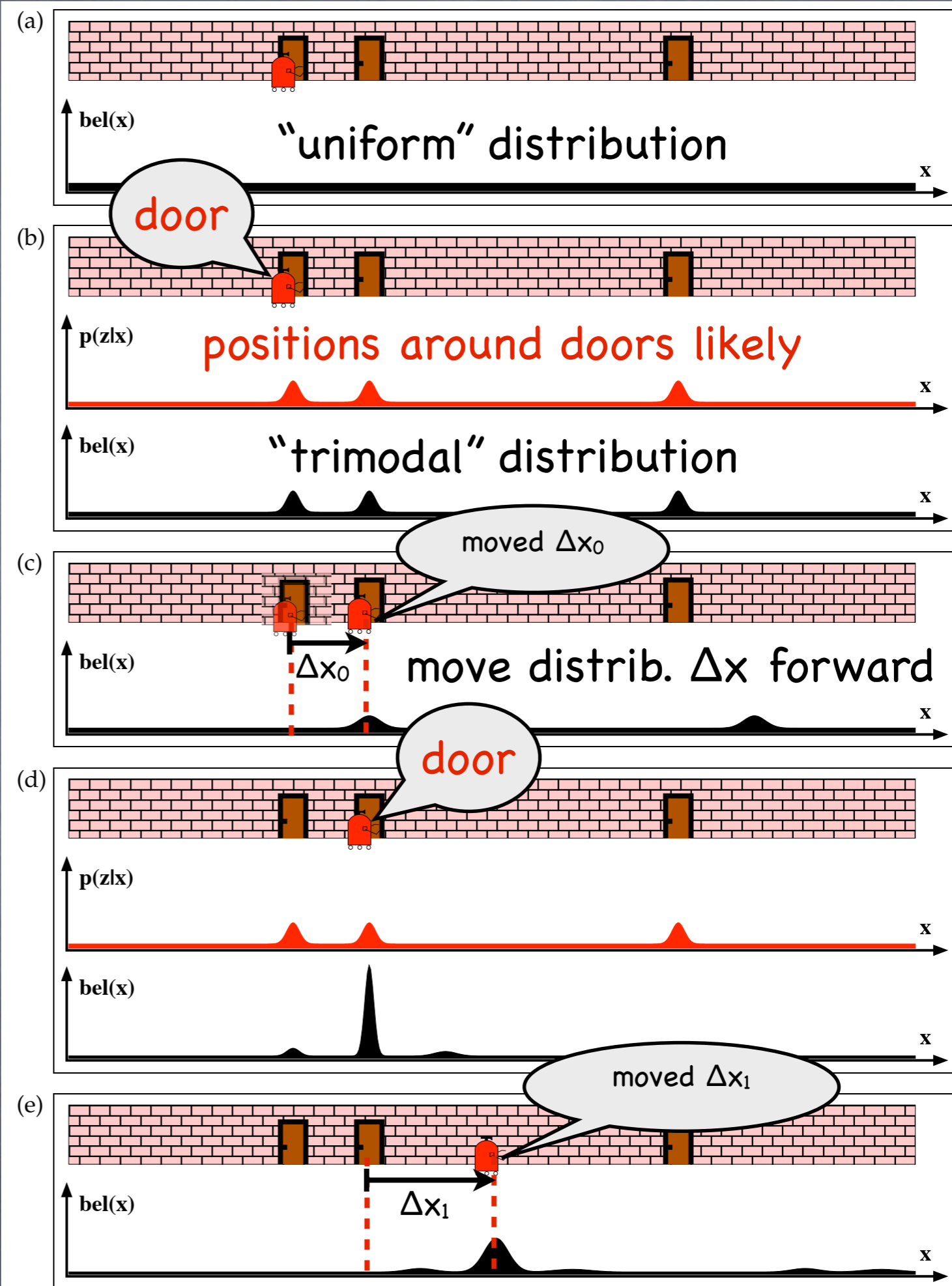
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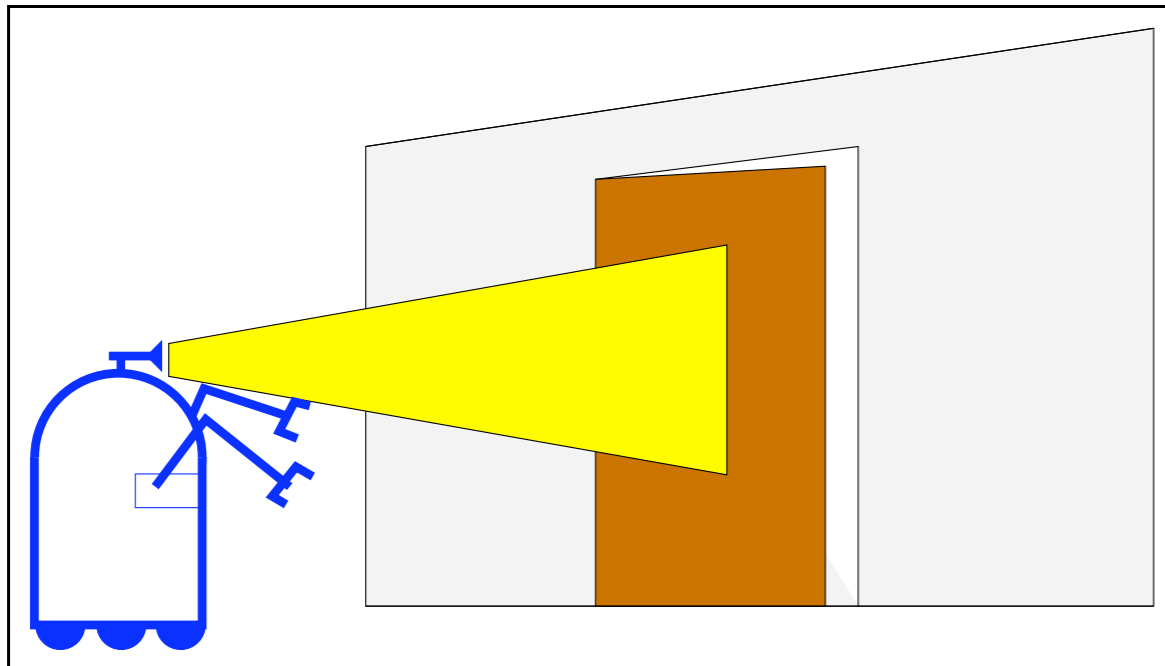
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t=2, predict step
(belief moves with robot, diffuses)

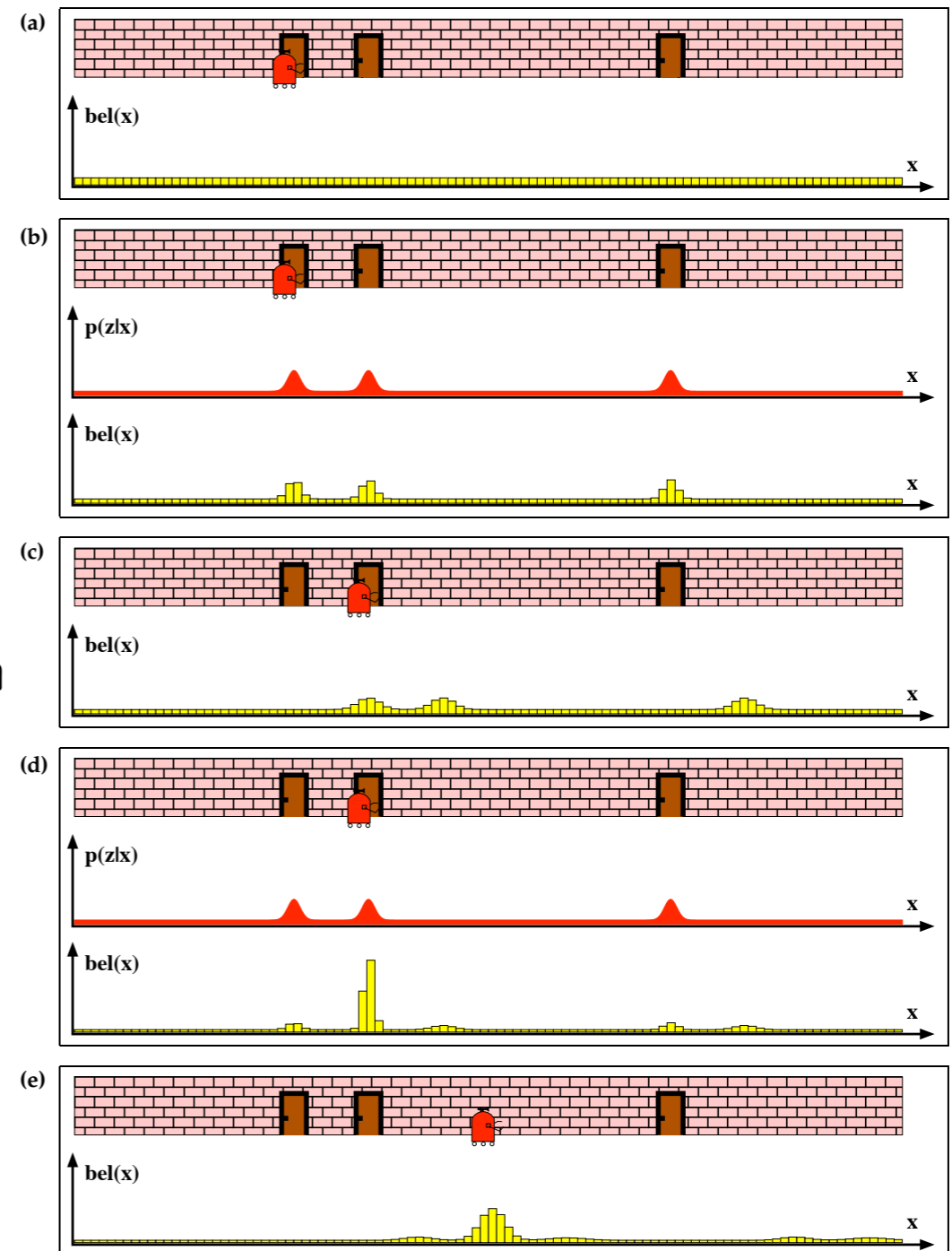


Grid-based Filter

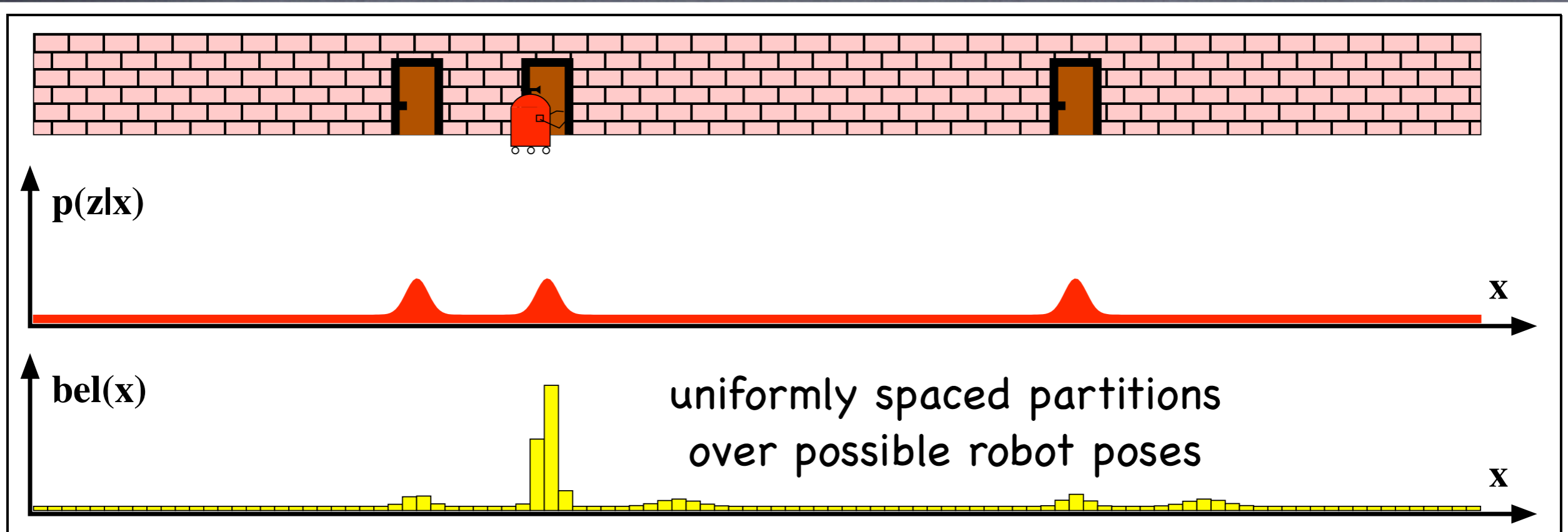


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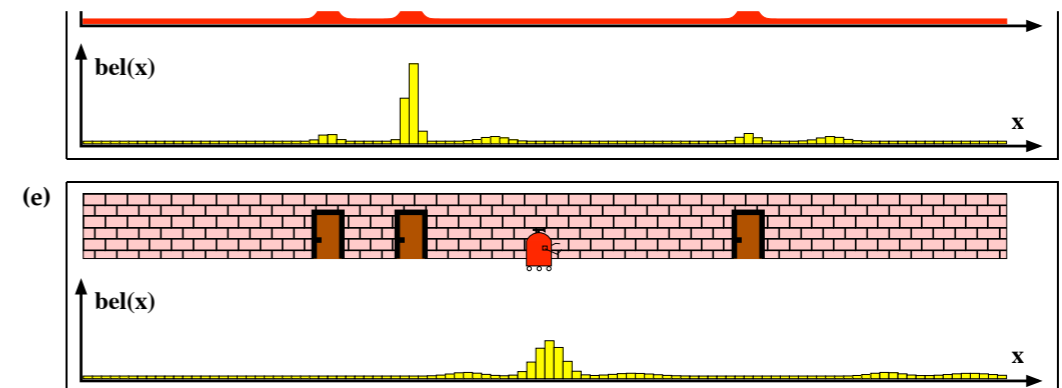
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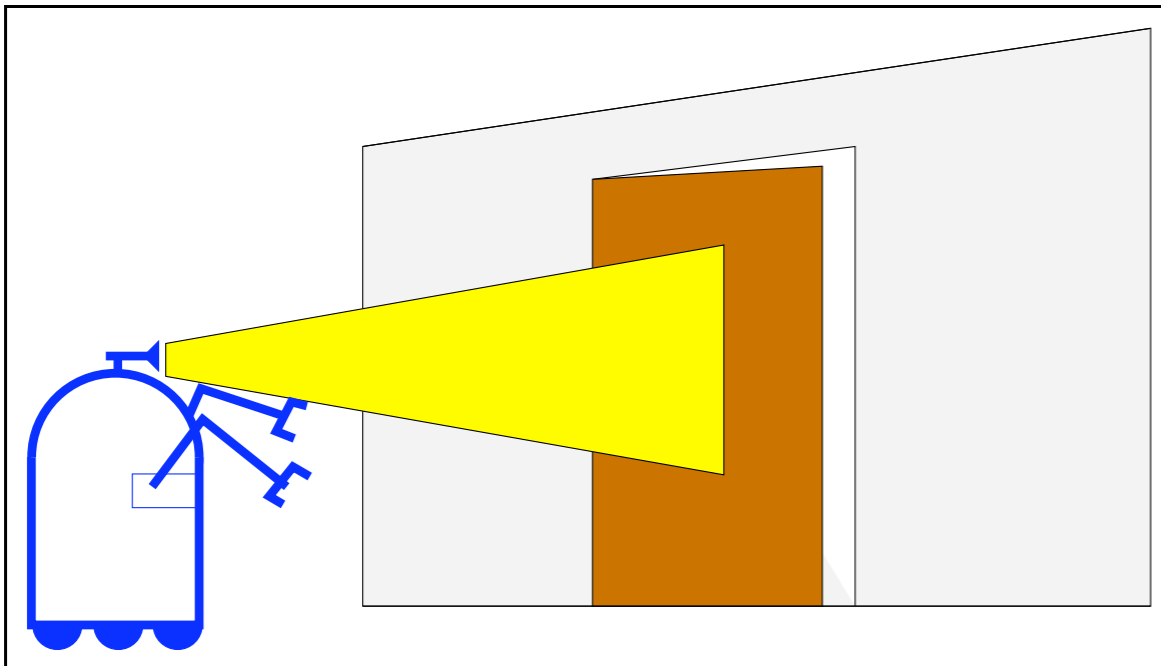
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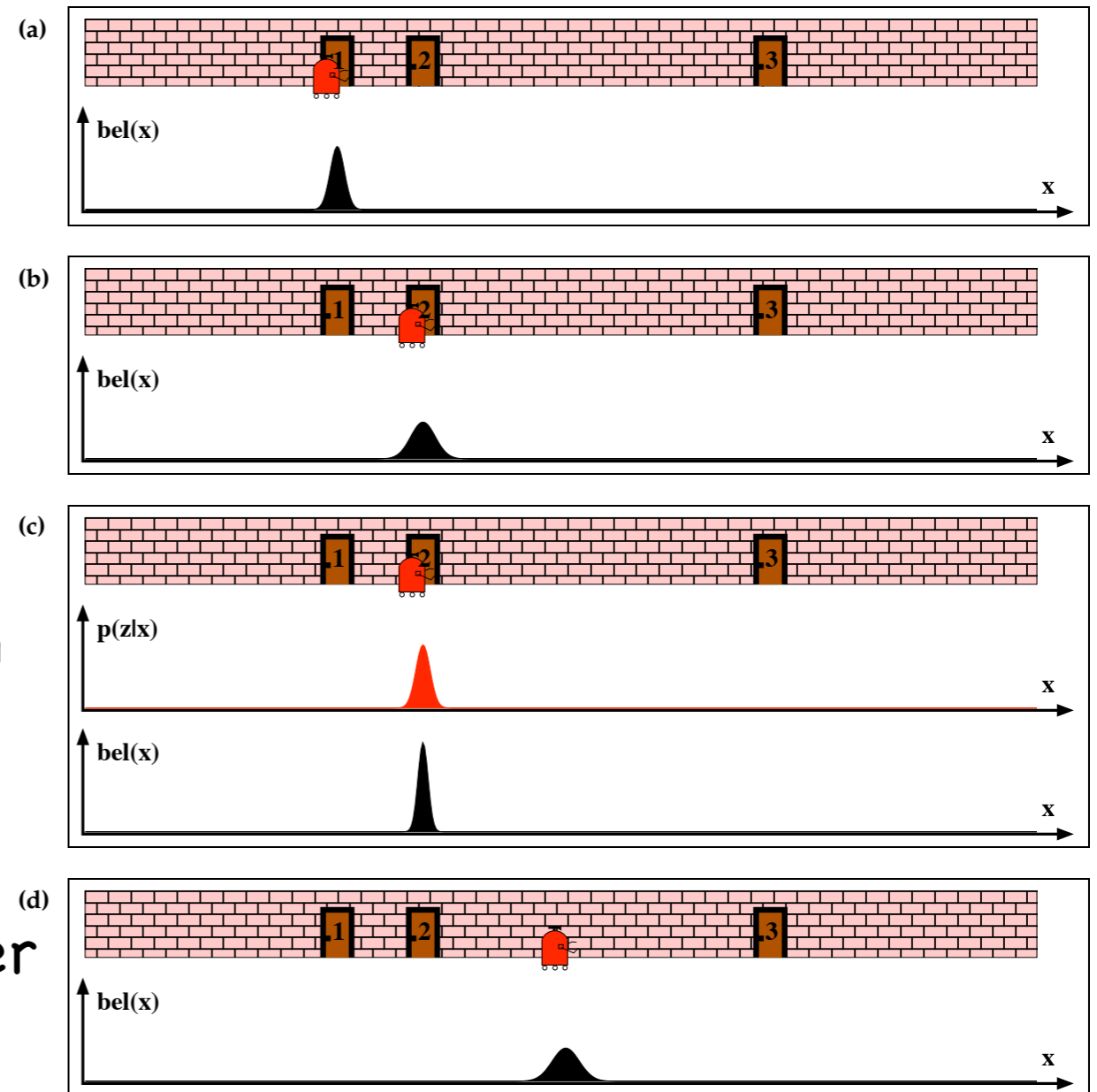


Kalman Filter



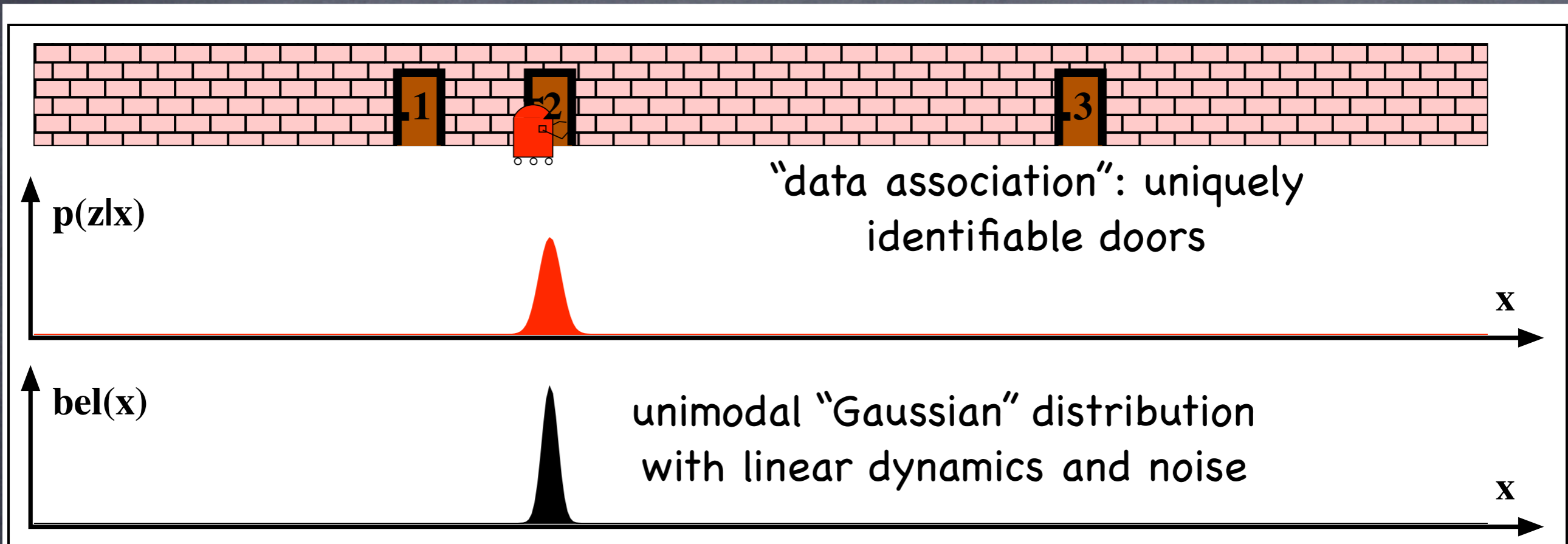
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Evolution of unimodal
Gaussian-based Kalman Filter

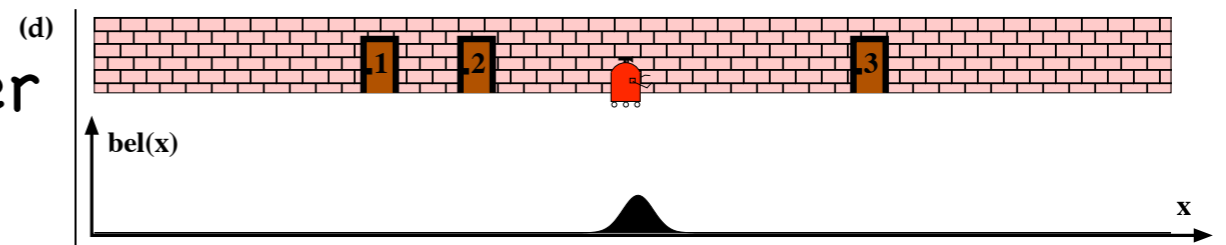


variance of mode corresponds to uncertainty

Kalman Filter



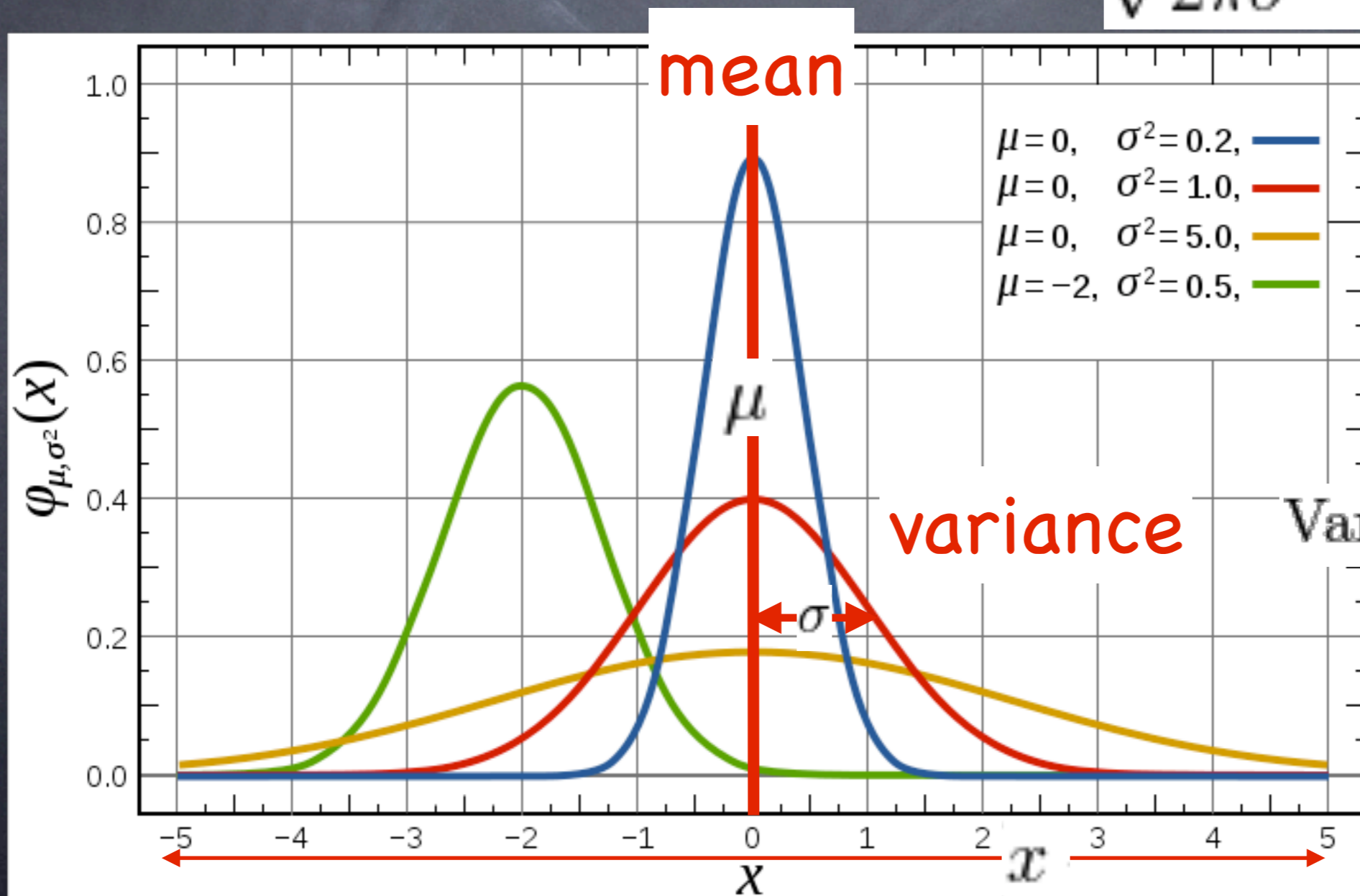
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Tangent: 1D Gaussian distribution

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$



- mean: average or expected value
- Note: x here is only for this example

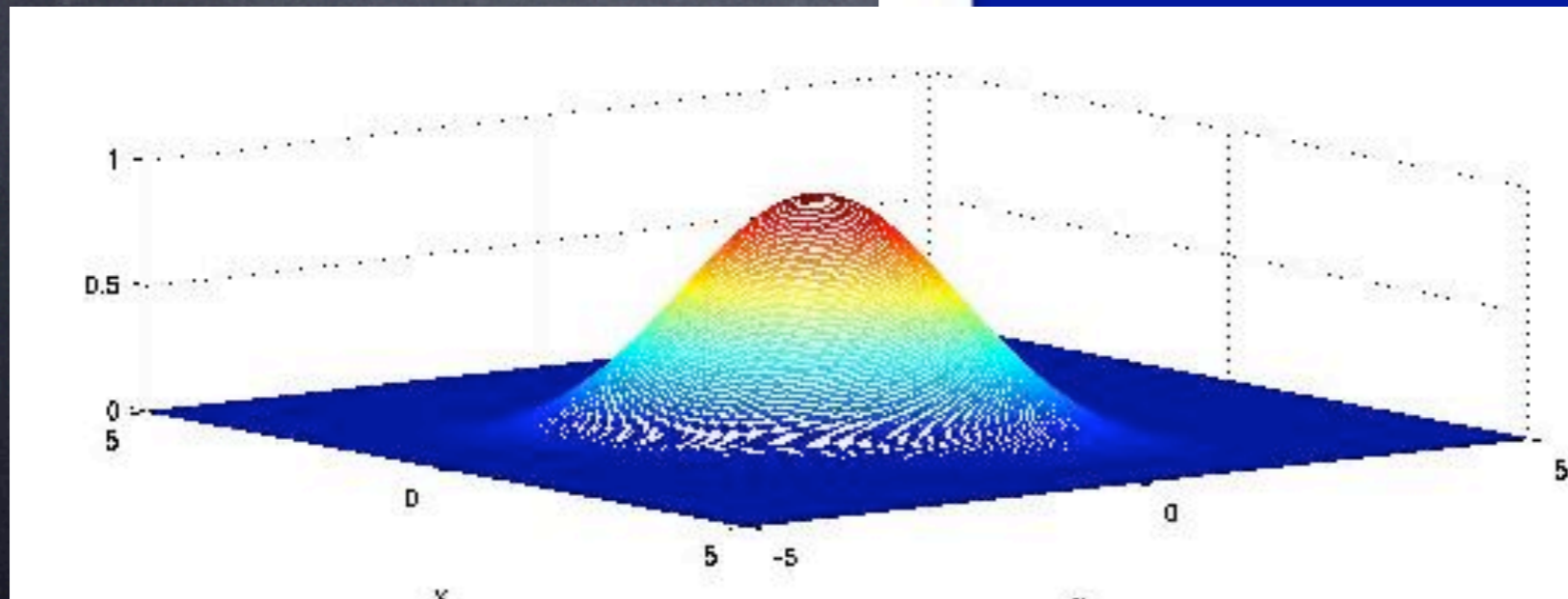
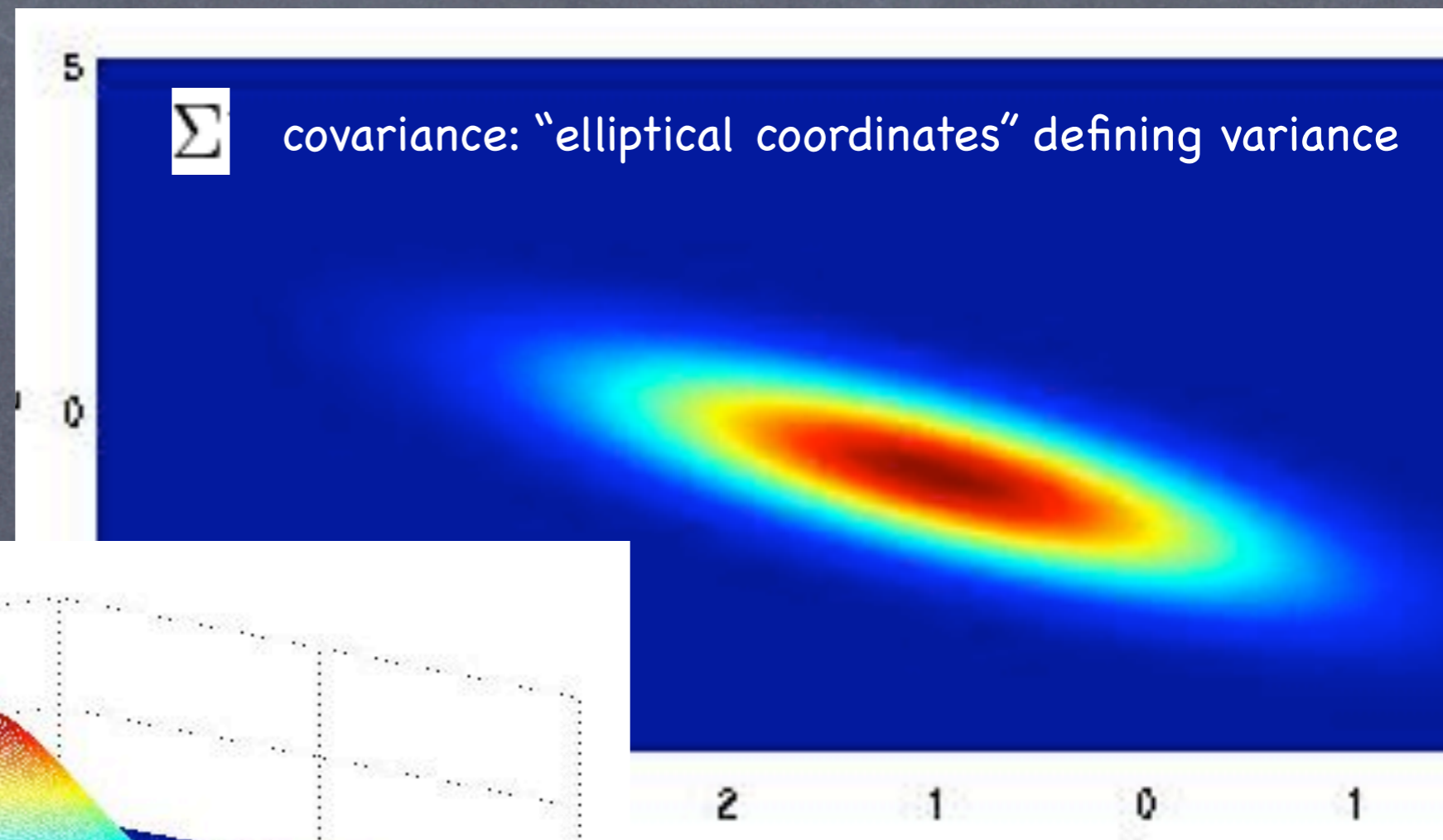
$$\text{Var}(X) = \text{E}[(X - \mu)^2]$$

- variance: expected difference from mean, squared

evaluate along x

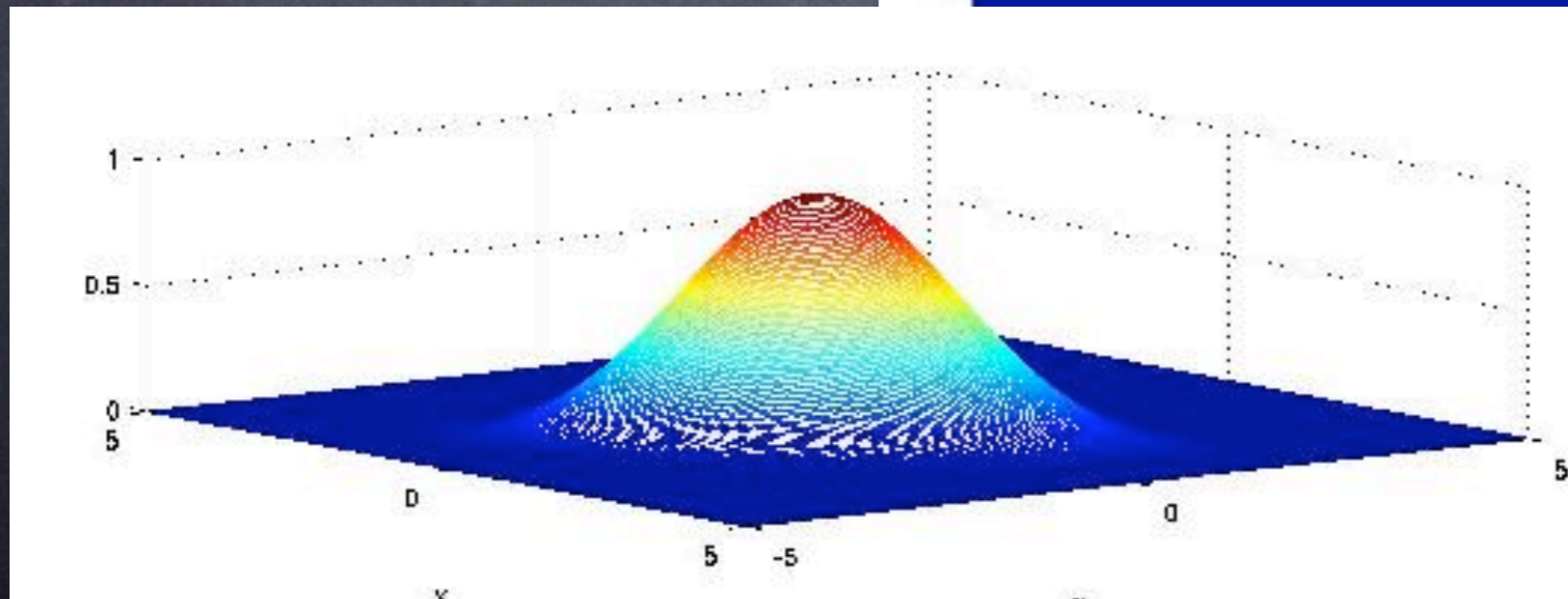
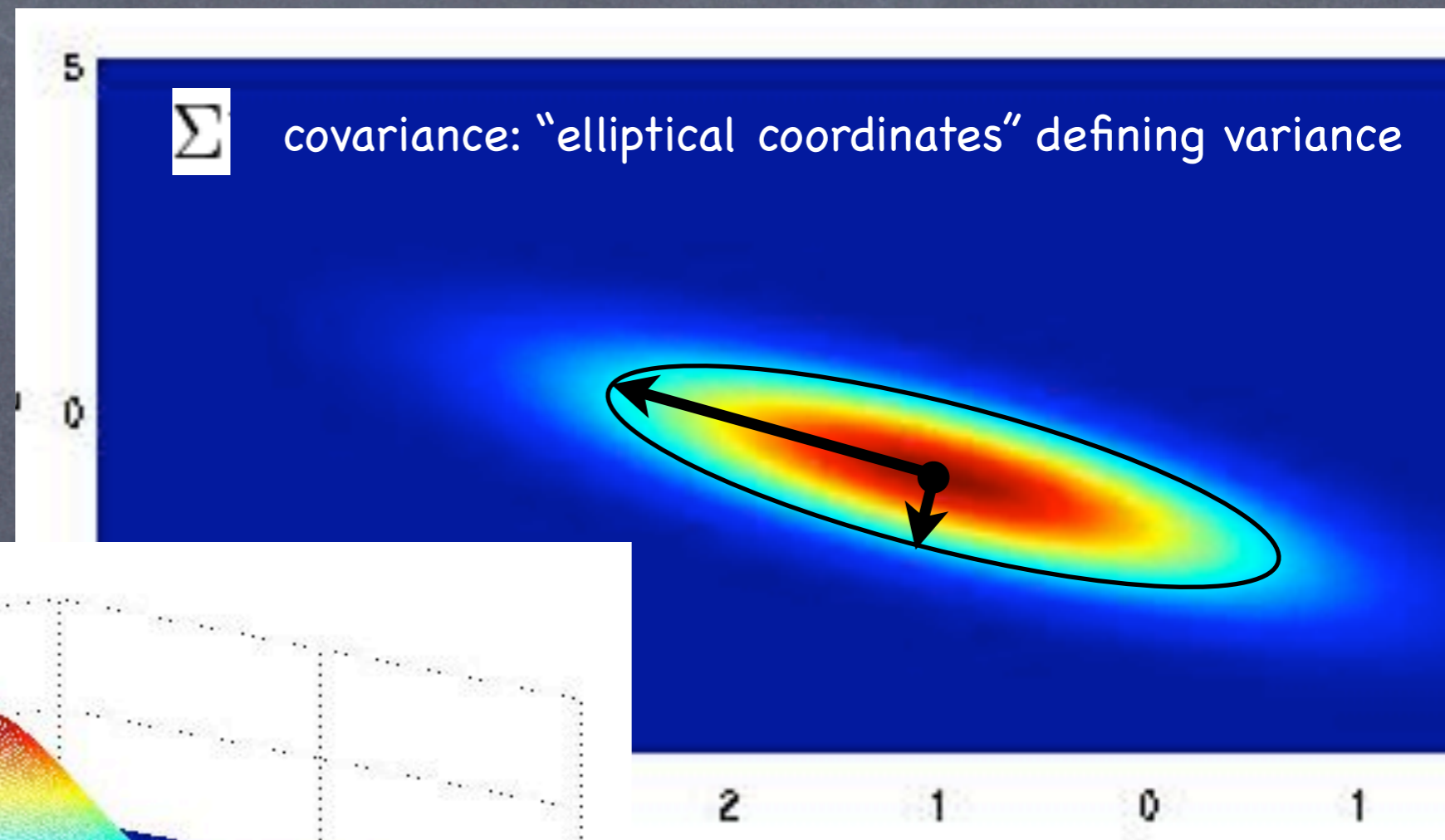
Multivariate Gaussian

$$\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{N/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} [x - \mu]^\top \Sigma^{-1} [x - \mu] \right)$$



Multivariate Gaussian

$$\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{N/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2} [x - \mu]^\top \Sigma^{-1} [x - \mu] \right)$$



Kalman Filter

Predict

Predicted (*a priori*) state

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k-1} = \mathbf{F}_k \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k-1|k-1} + \mathbf{B}_{k-1} \mathbf{u}_{k-1}$$

Predicted (*a priori*) estimate covariance

$$\mathbf{P}_{k|k-1} = \mathbf{F}_k \mathbf{P}_{k-1|k-1} \mathbf{F}_k^T + \mathbf{Q}_{k-1}$$

Update

Innovation or measurement residual

$$\tilde{\mathbf{y}}_k = \mathbf{z}_k - \mathbf{H}_k \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k-1}$$

Innovation (or residual) covariance

$$\mathbf{S}_k = \mathbf{H}_k \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1} \mathbf{H}_k^T + \mathbf{R}_k$$

Optimal Kalman gain

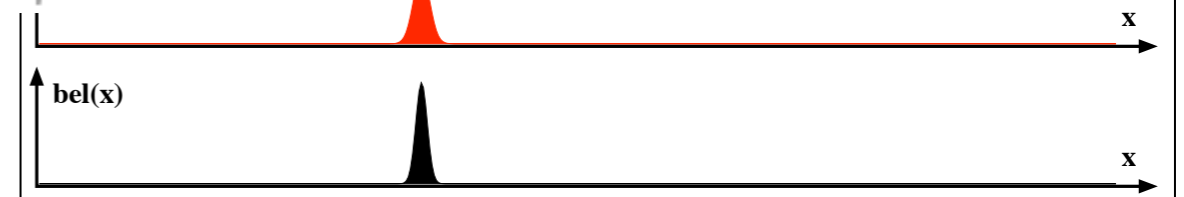
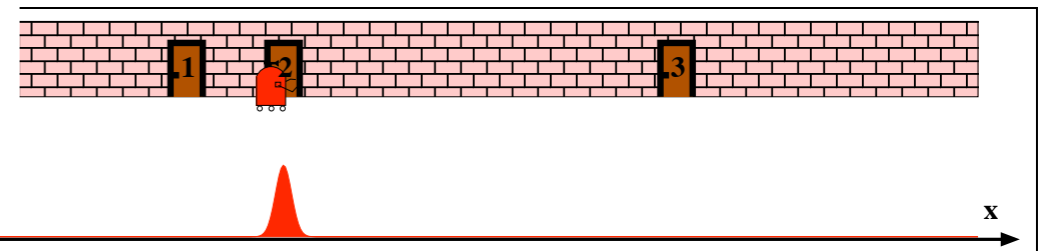
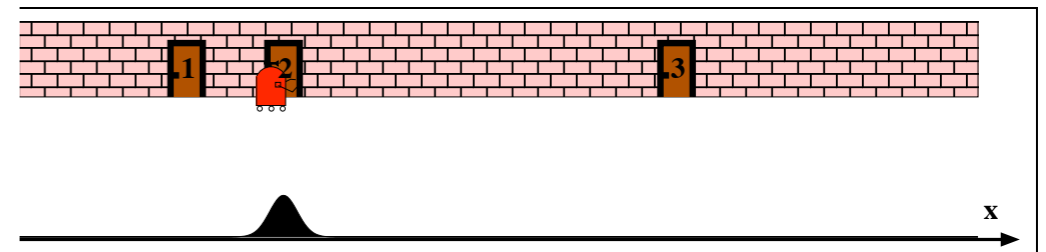
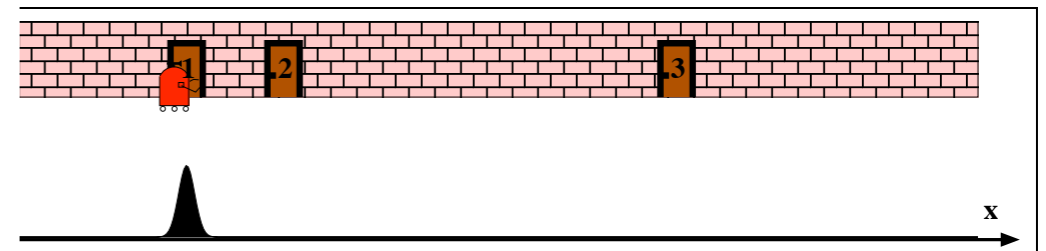
$$\mathbf{K}_k = \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1} \mathbf{H}_k^T \mathbf{S}_k^{-1}$$

Updated (*a posteriori*) state estimate

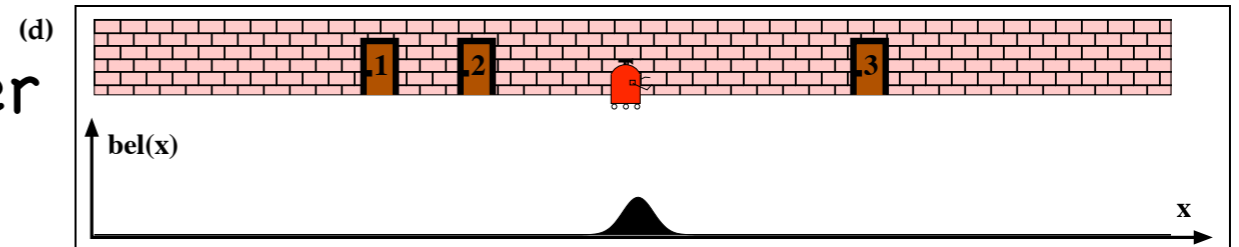
$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k} = \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{k|k-1} + \mathbf{K}_k \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_k$$

Updated (*a posteriori*) estimate covariance

$$\mathbf{P}_{k|k} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_k \mathbf{H}_k) \mathbf{P}_{k|k-1}$$

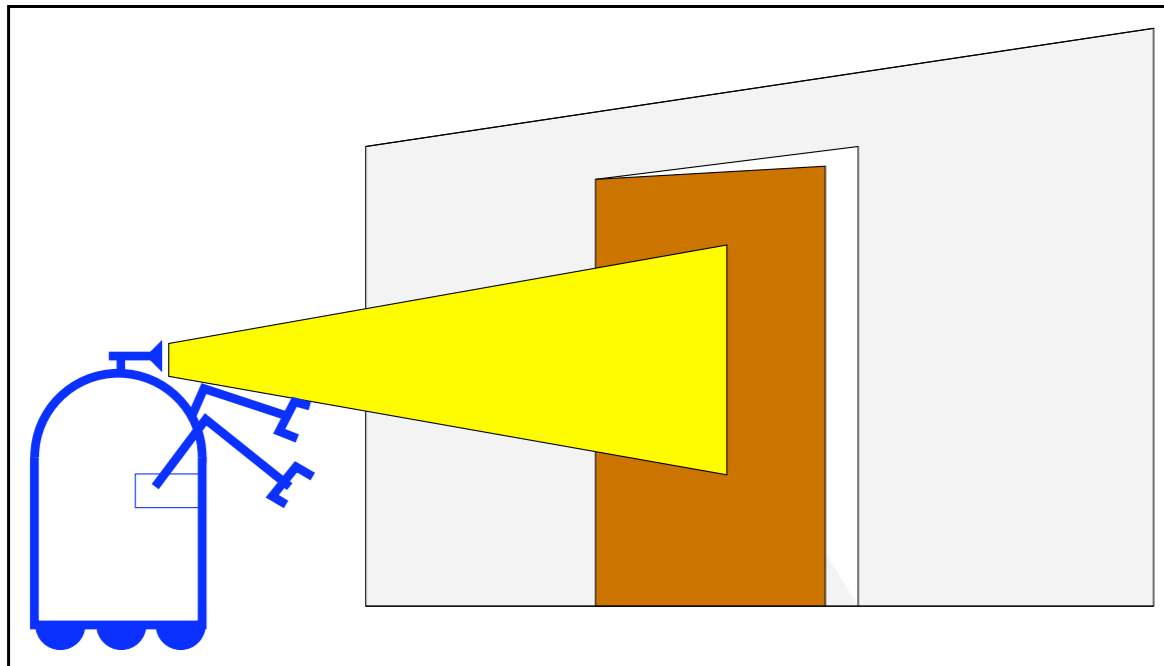


Evolution of unimodal
Gaussian-based Kalman Filter

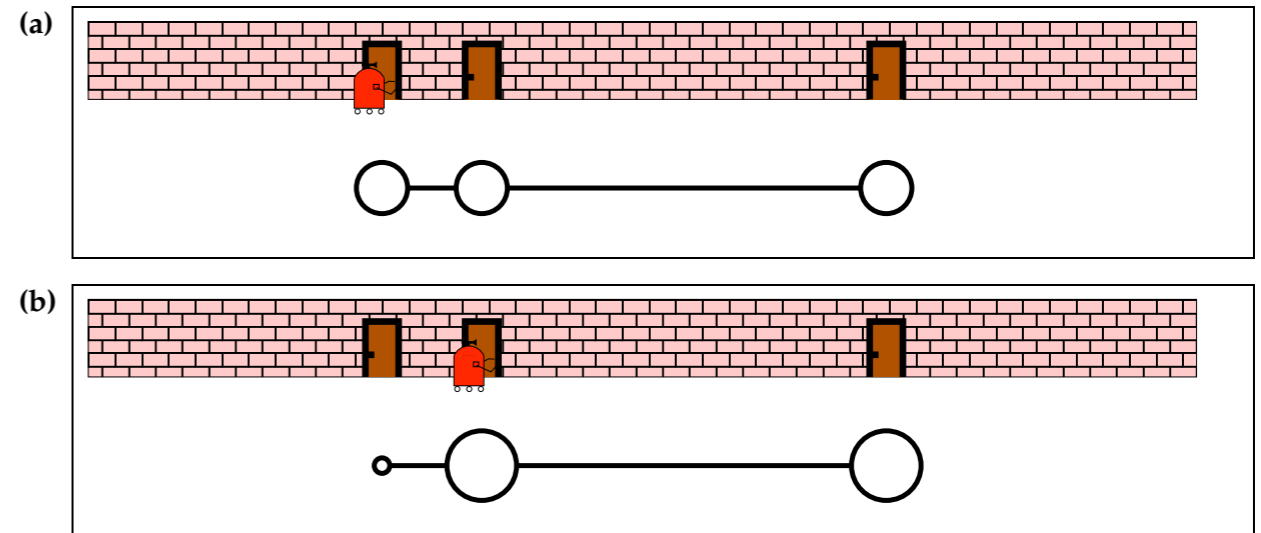


variance of mode corresponds to uncertainty

Filtering with Topological Map

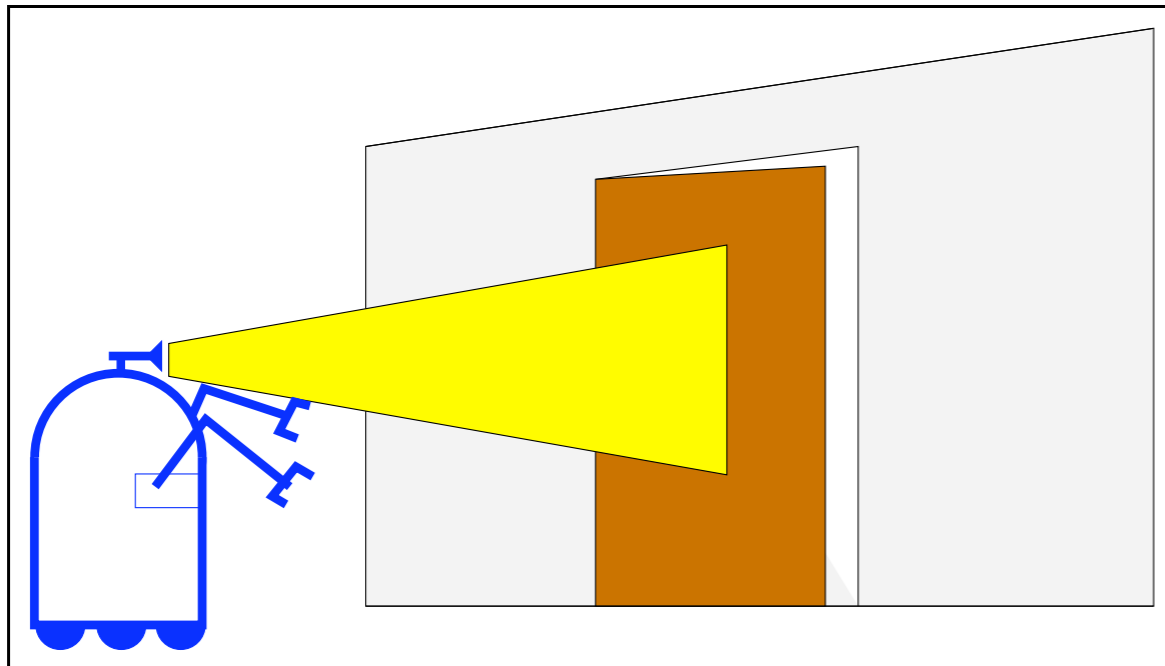


Robot can sense "door" or "wall" at location



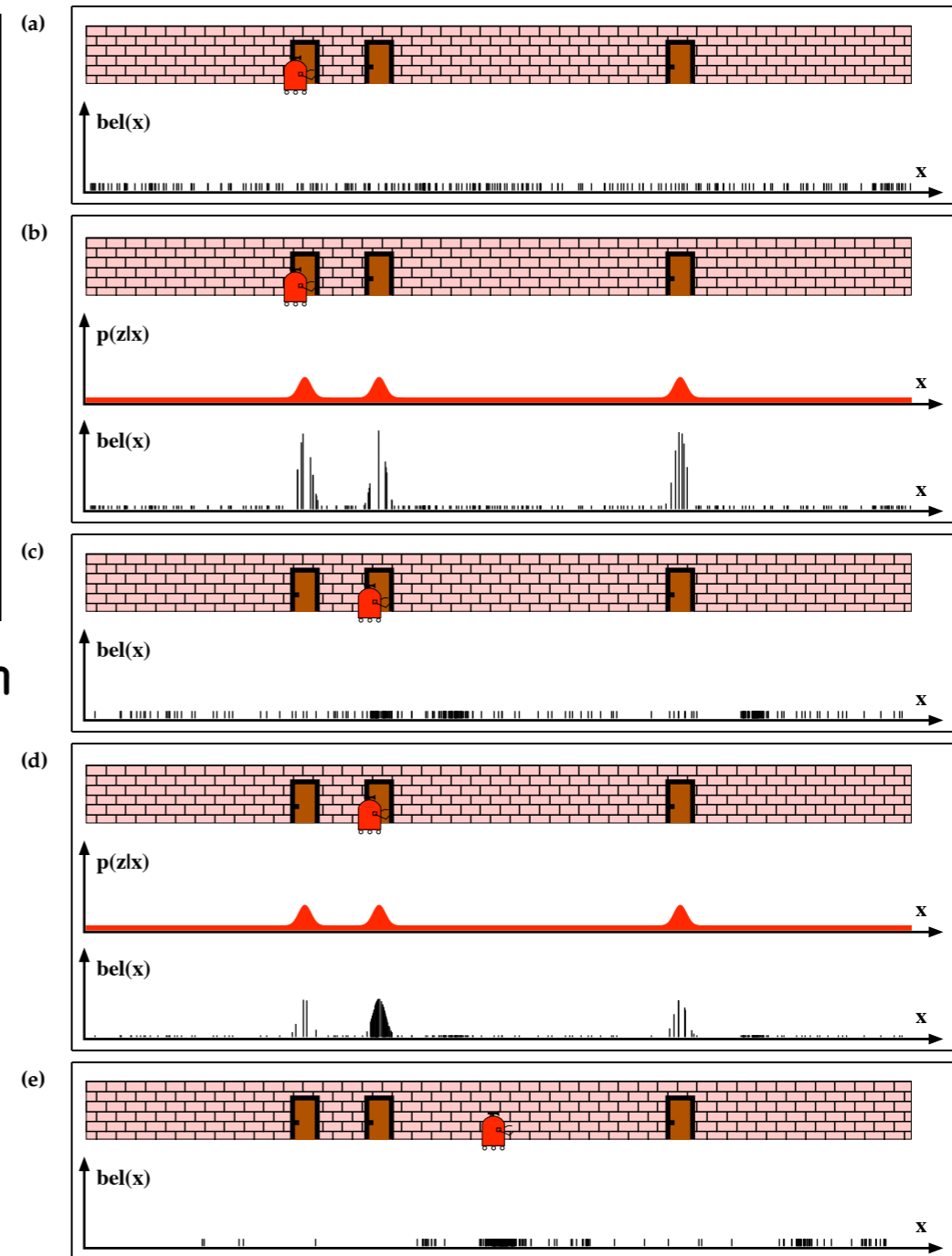
Evolution of discrete topological filter

Particle Filter

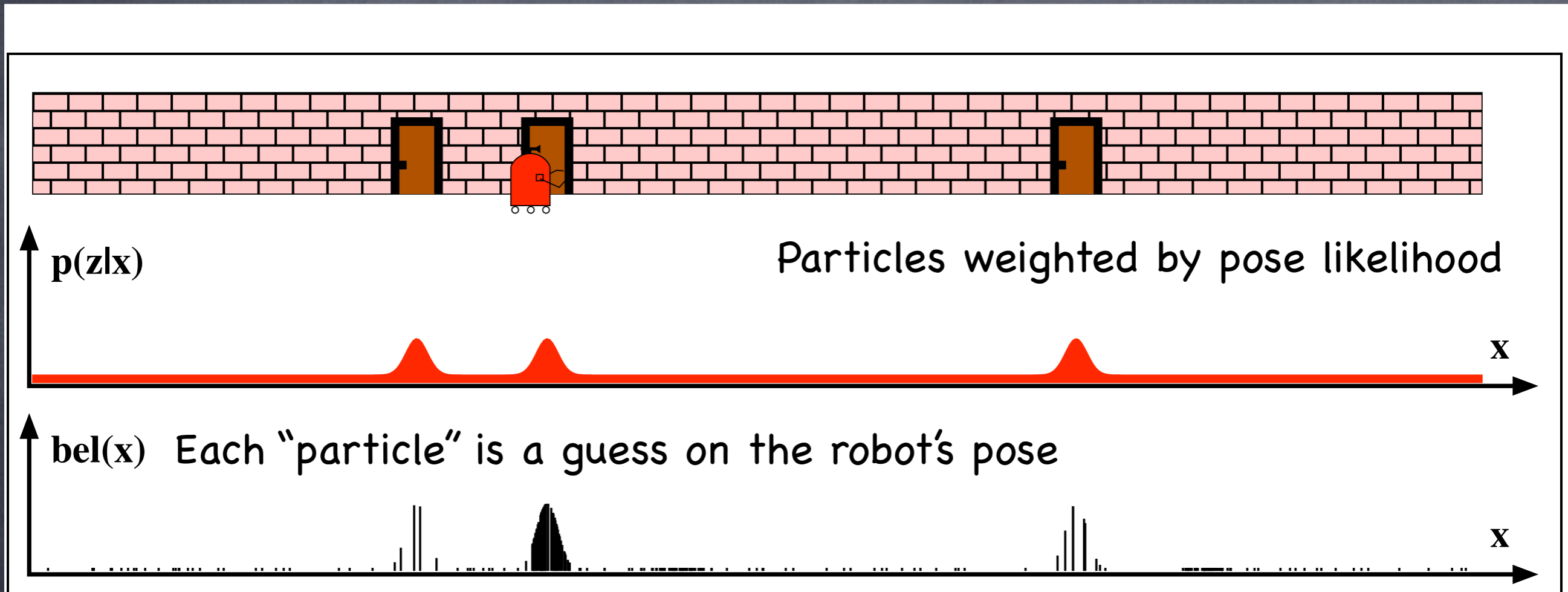


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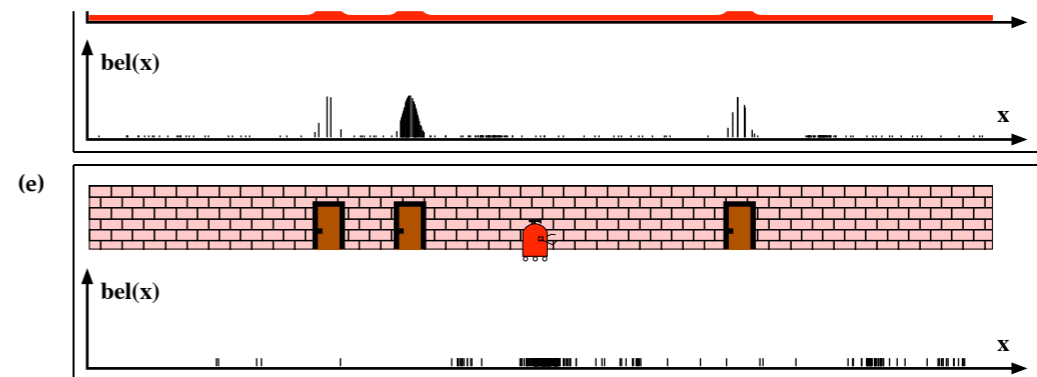
Evolution of multi-hypothesis
particle filter



Particle Filter



Evolution of multi-hypothesis particle filter



Issues and soccer example

- How to get an estimate from a distribution?
- Will the distribution converge?
- How to recover if there is an incorrect convergence?
- More next topic

