

Title: From empirical practice to observables and the action principle

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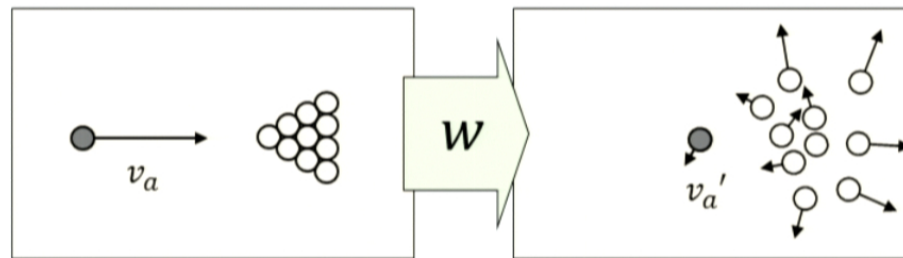
Abstract: Physical theories ought to be built up from colloquial notions such as "long bodies", "energetic sources" etc. in terms of which one can define pre-theoretic ordering relations such as "longer than", "more energetic than". One of the questions addressed in previous work is how to make the transition from these pre-theoretic notions to quantification, such as making the transition from the ordering relation of "longer than" (if one body covers the other) to the notion of how much longer. In similar way we introduce dynamical notions "more impulse" (if in a collision one object overruns the other) and "more energetic" (if the effect of one source exceeds the effect of the other). In a physical model - built by coupling congruent standard actions - those basic pre-theoretic notions become measurable. We derive all (classical and relativistic) equations between basic physical quantities of Energy, Momentum and Inertial Mass and ultimately the principle of least action.

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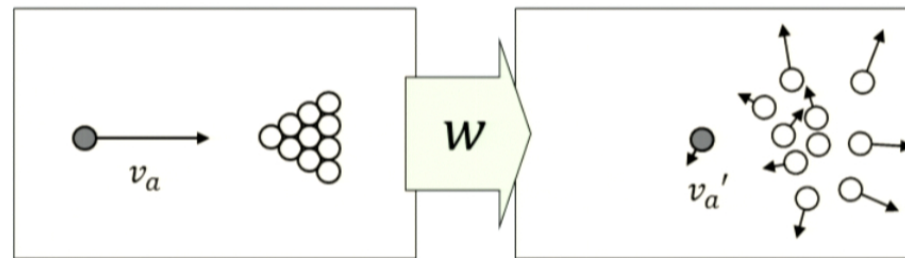


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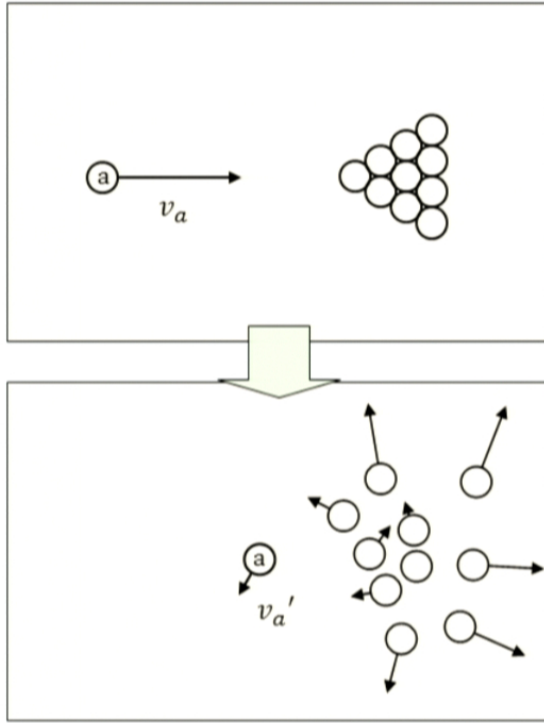
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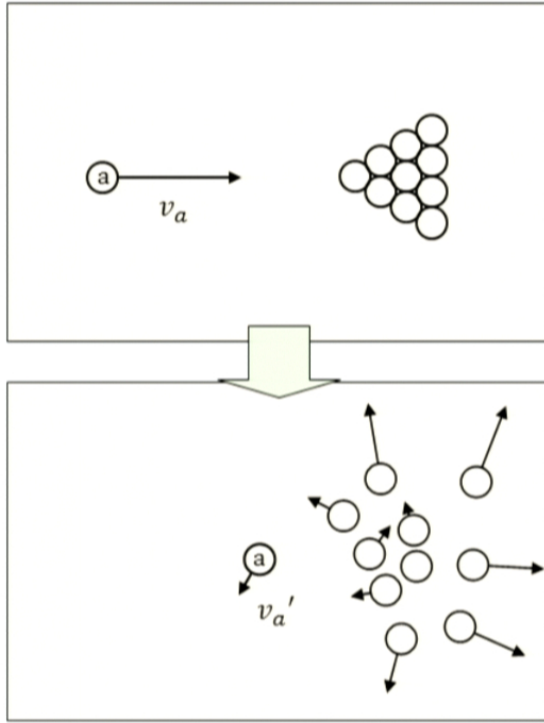


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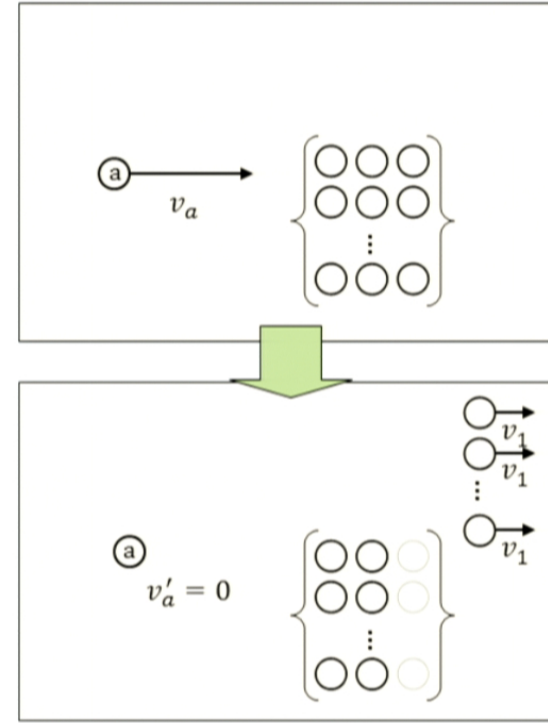


Interaction of Motion

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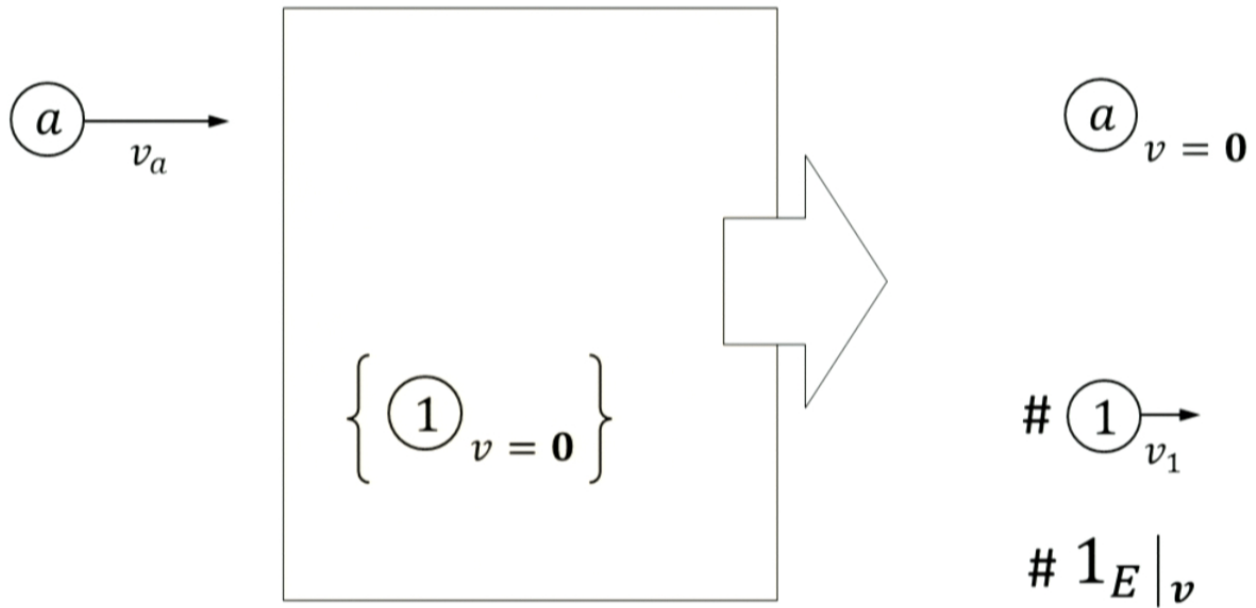
controlled replacement process



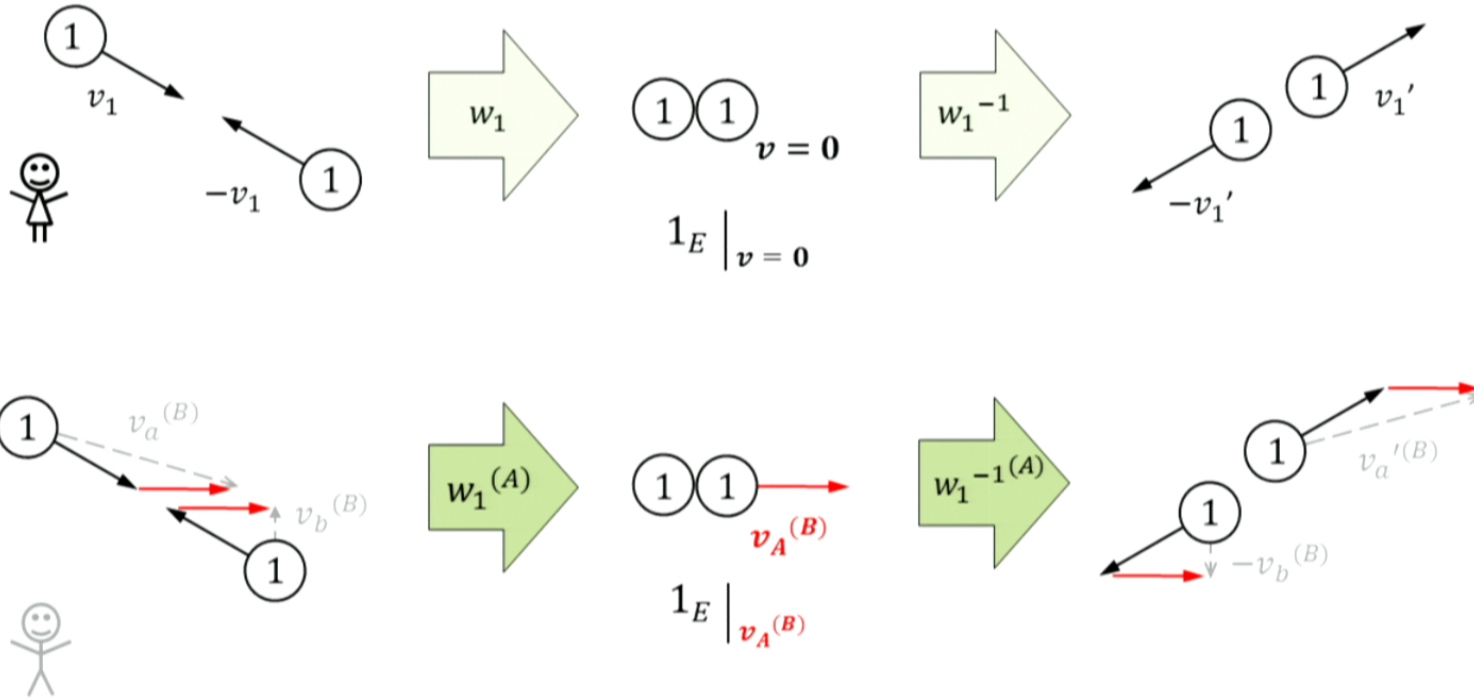
Interaction of Motion:

- 'potential to cause action'
- 'striking power' or 'impulse'

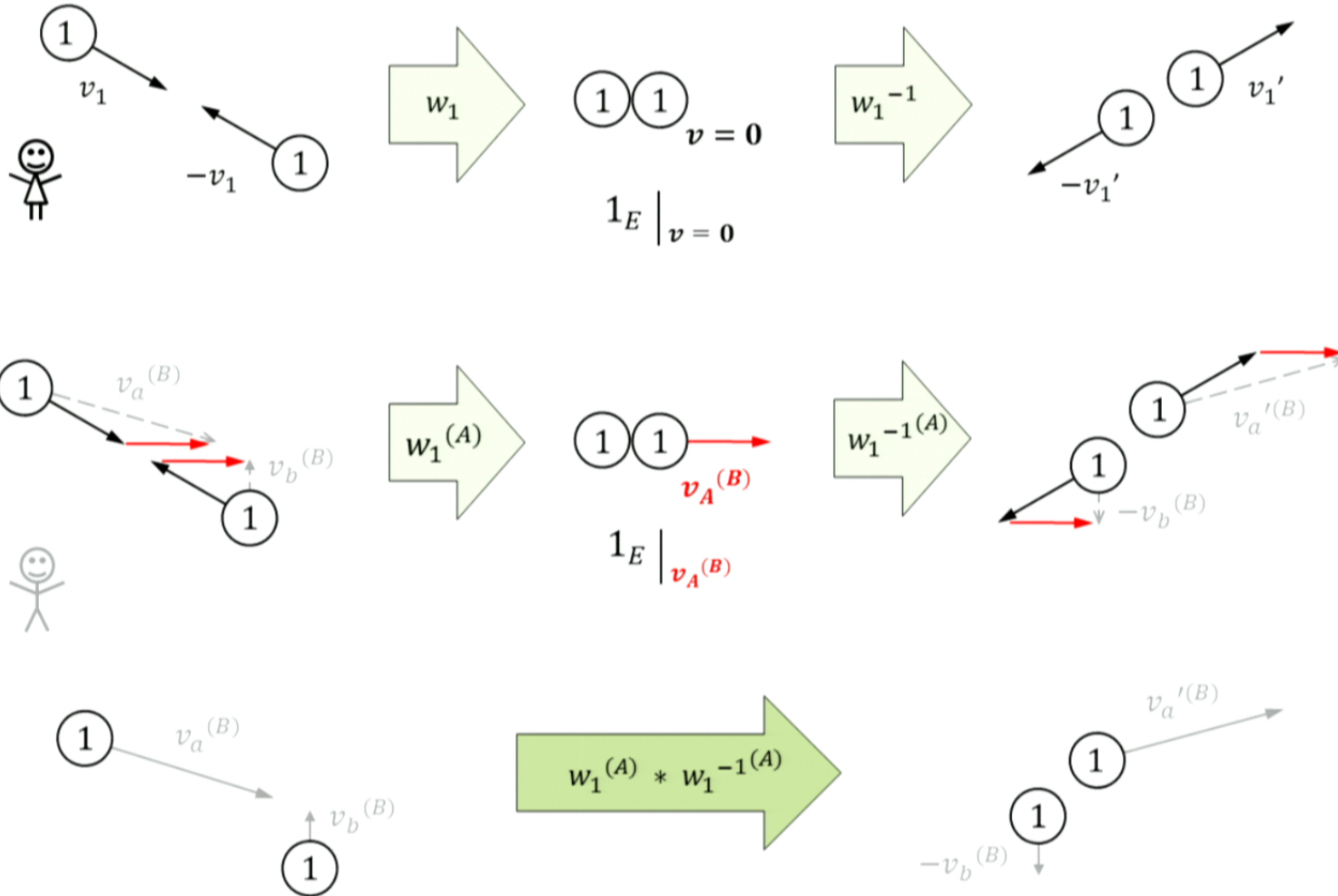
Calorimeter Model



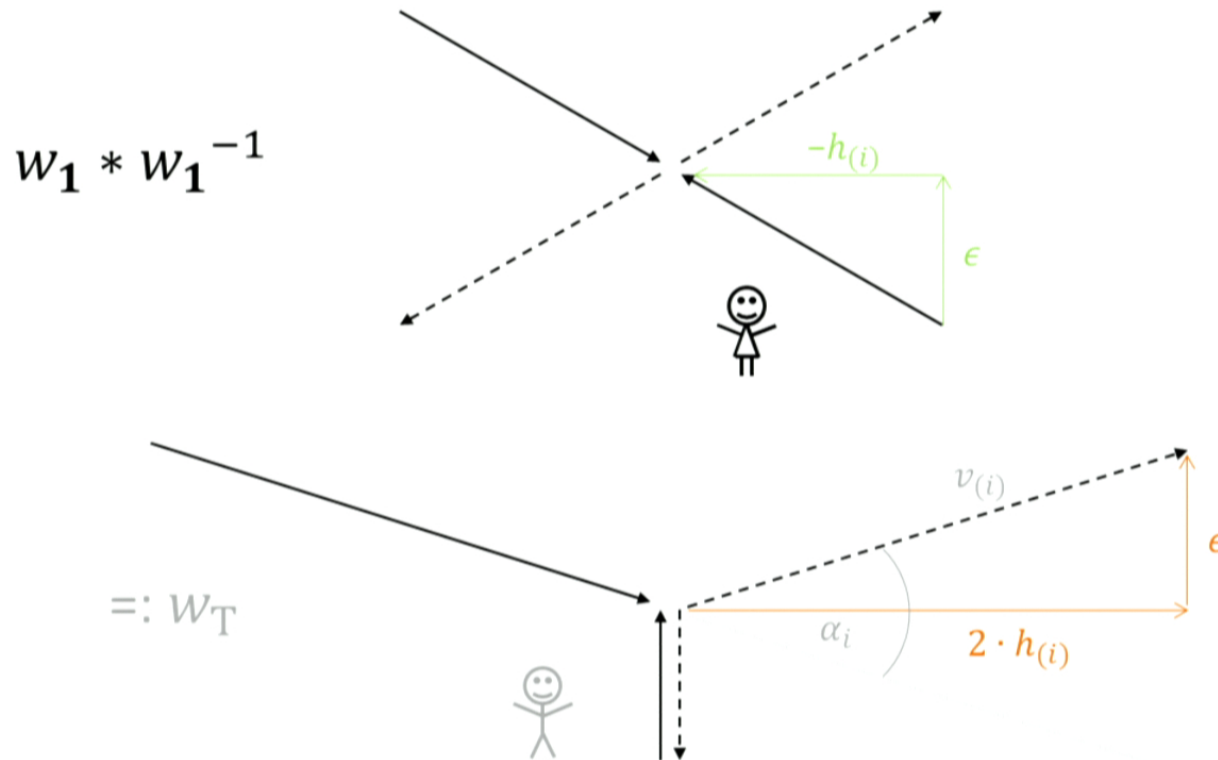
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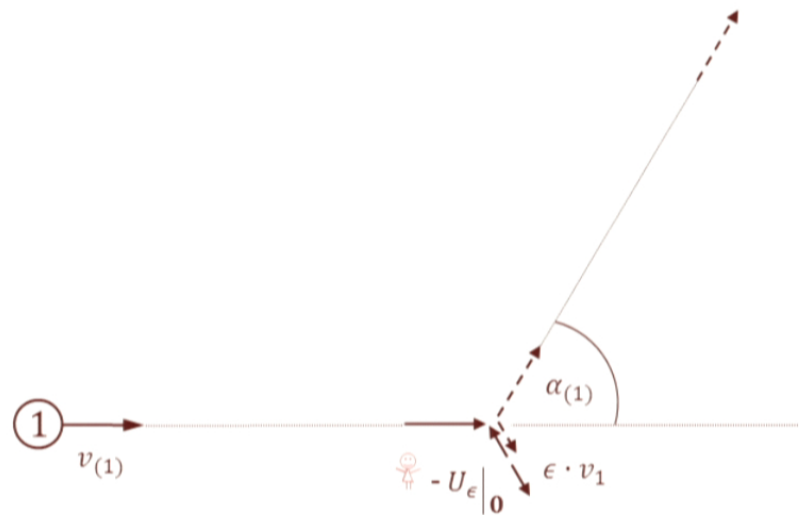


Elastic Transversal Collision

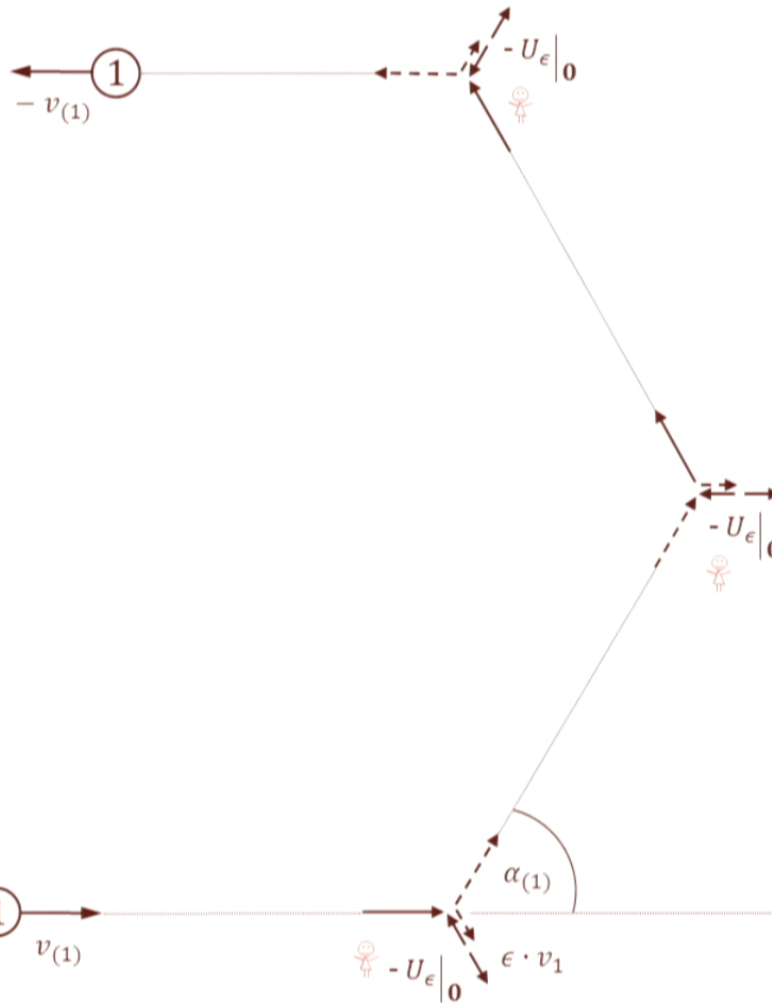


Impulse Reversion Process

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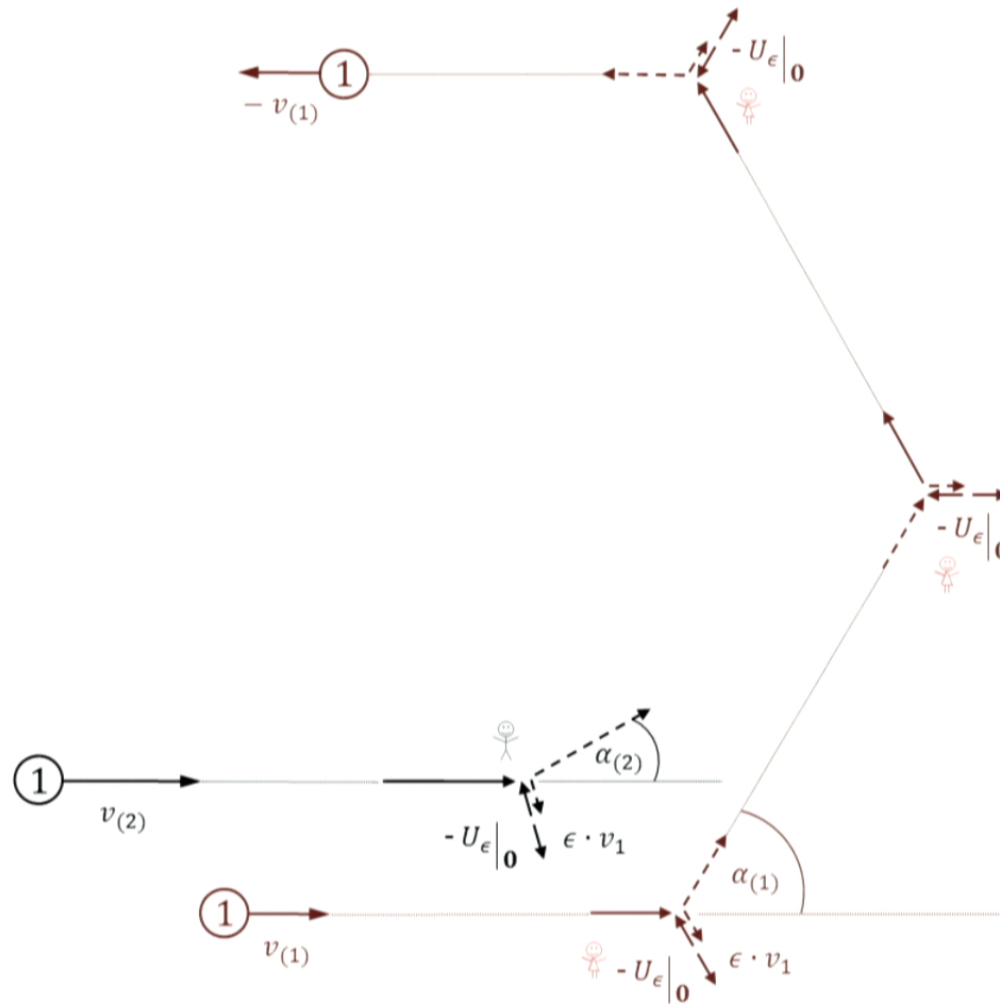


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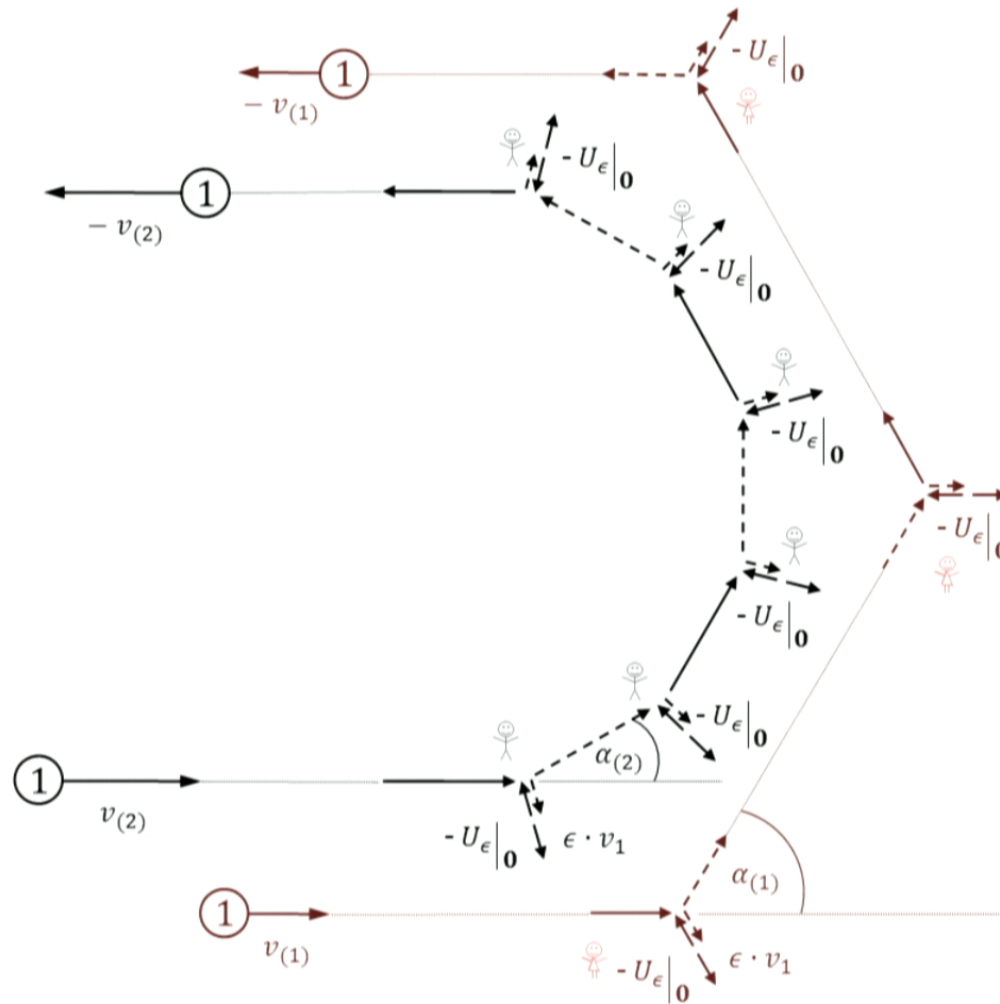


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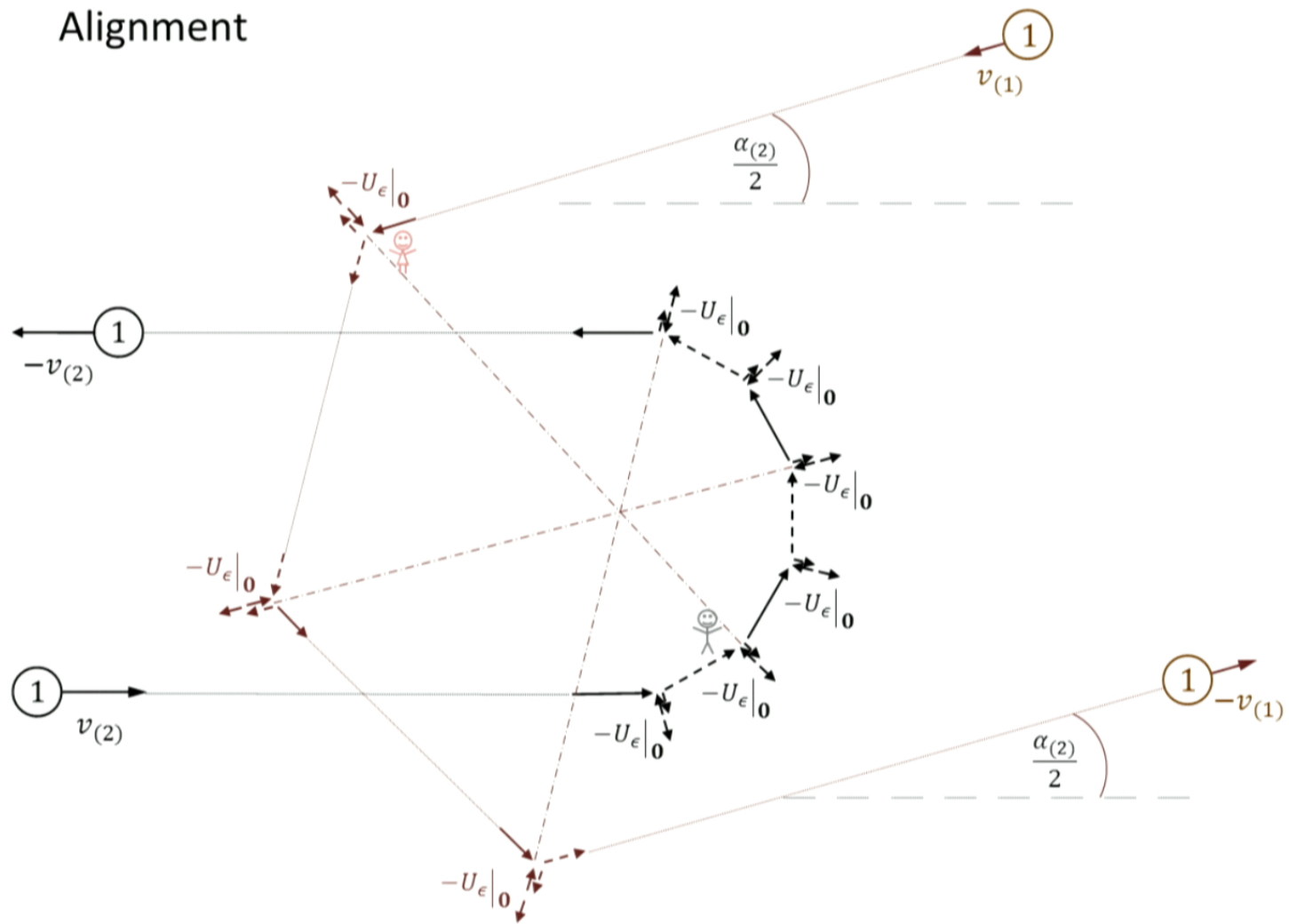
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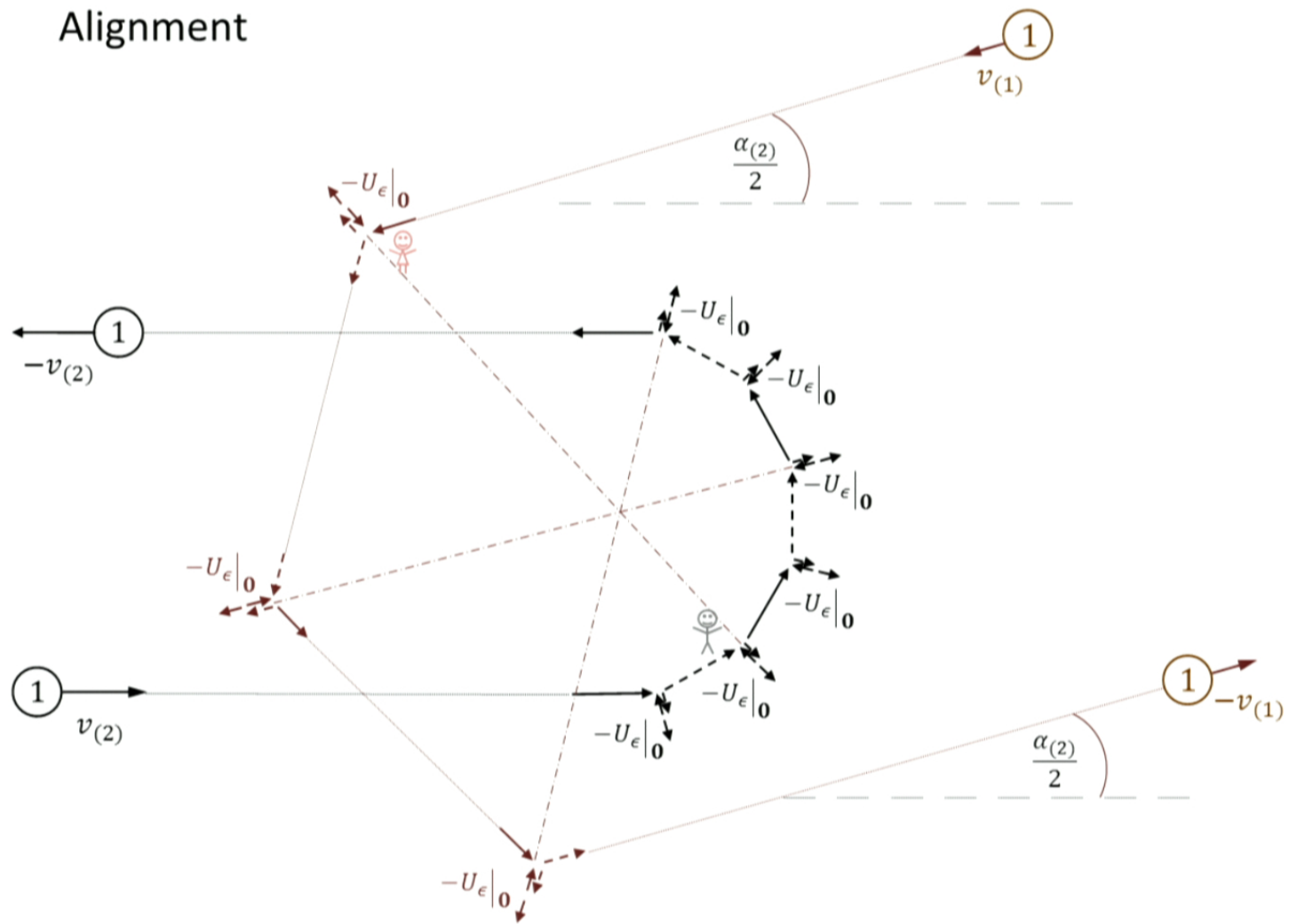
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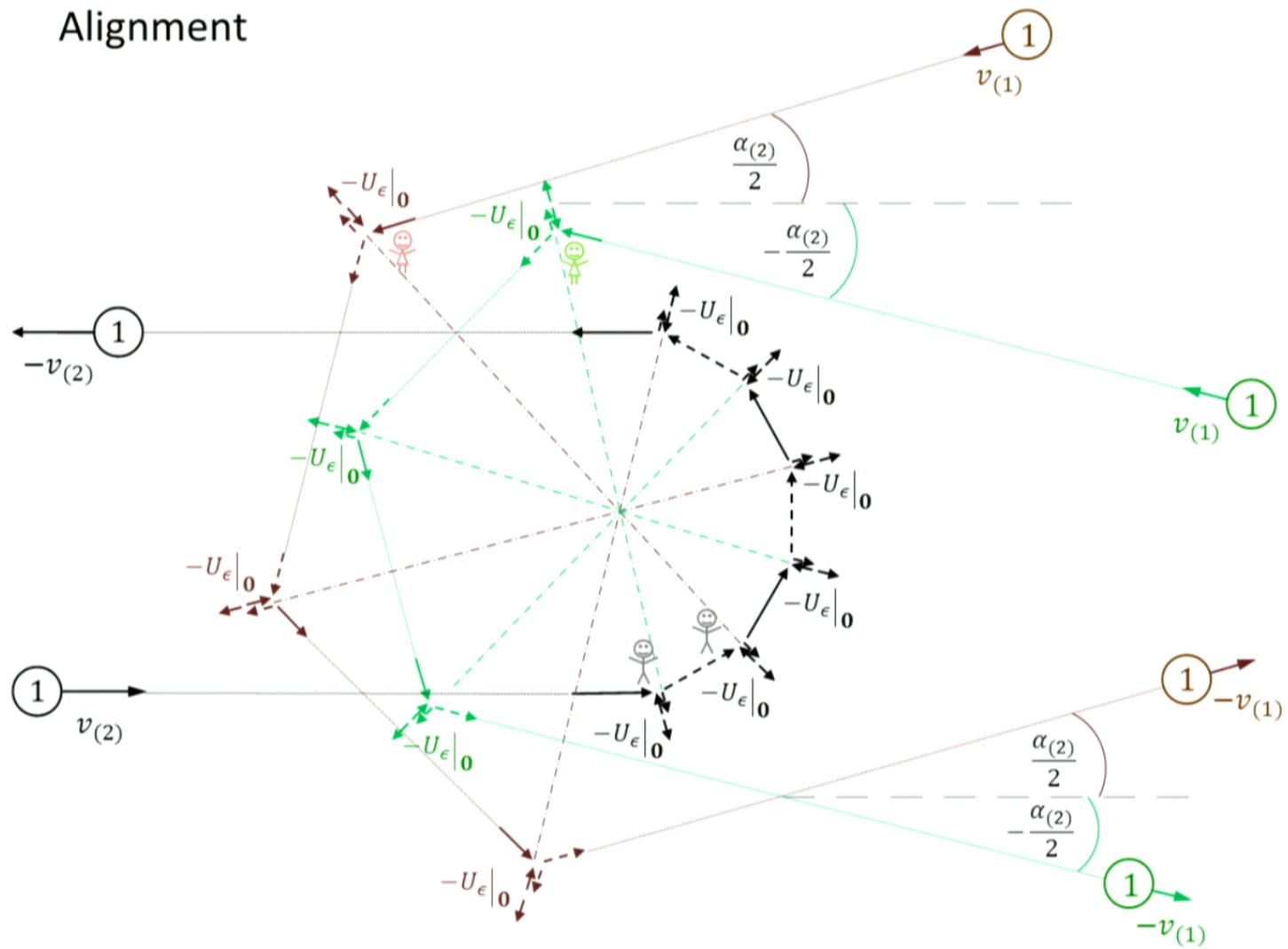
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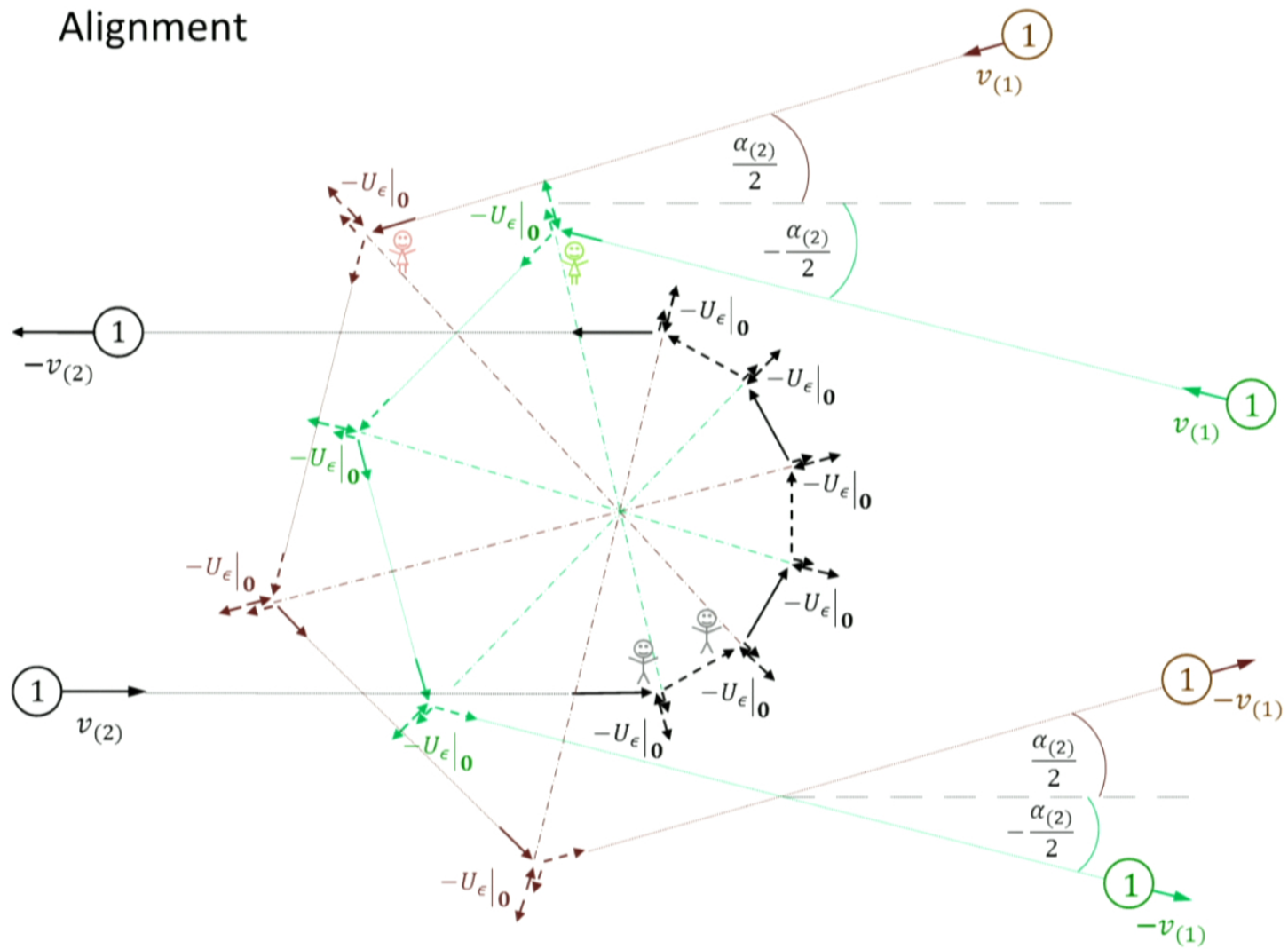
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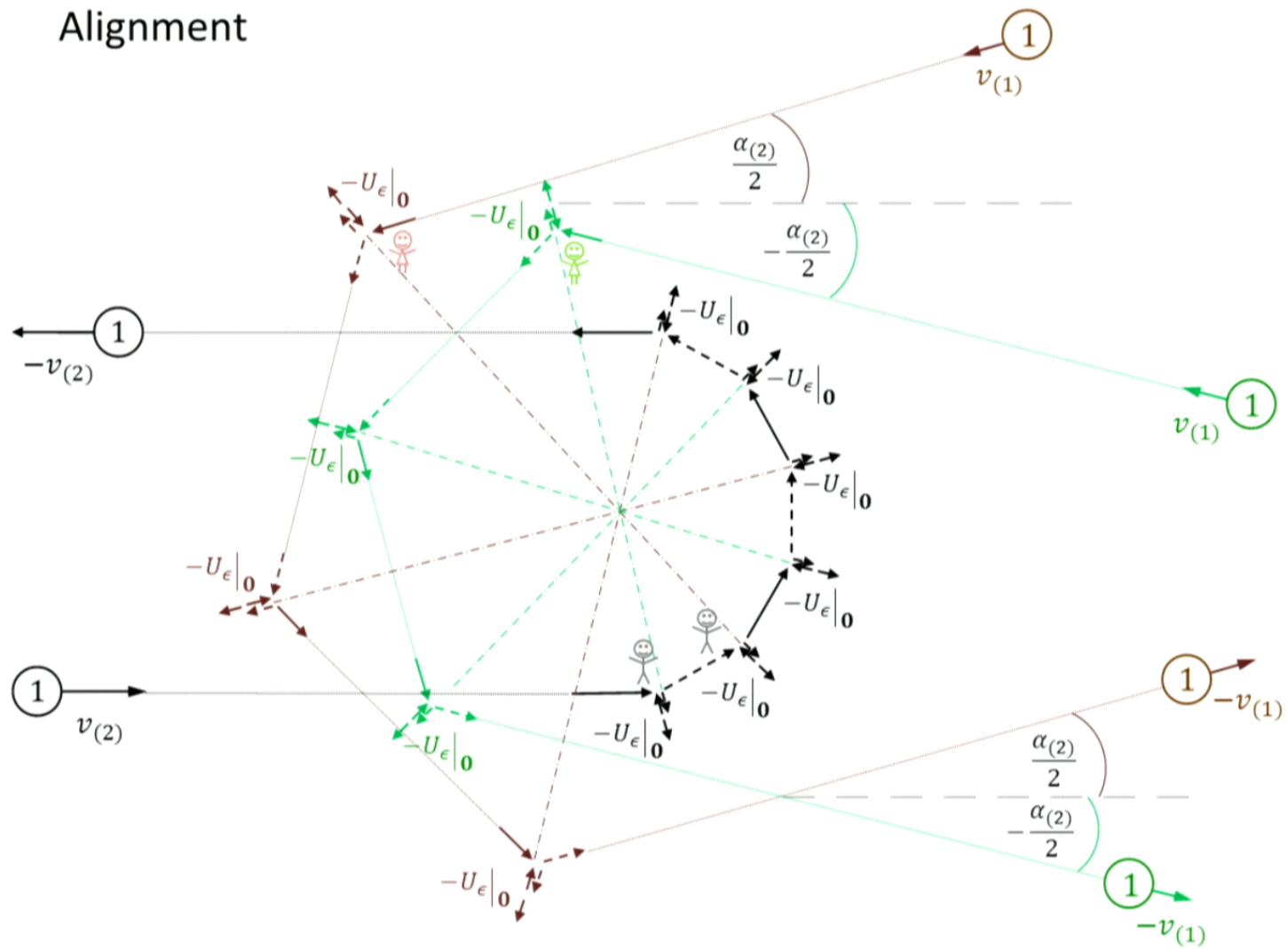
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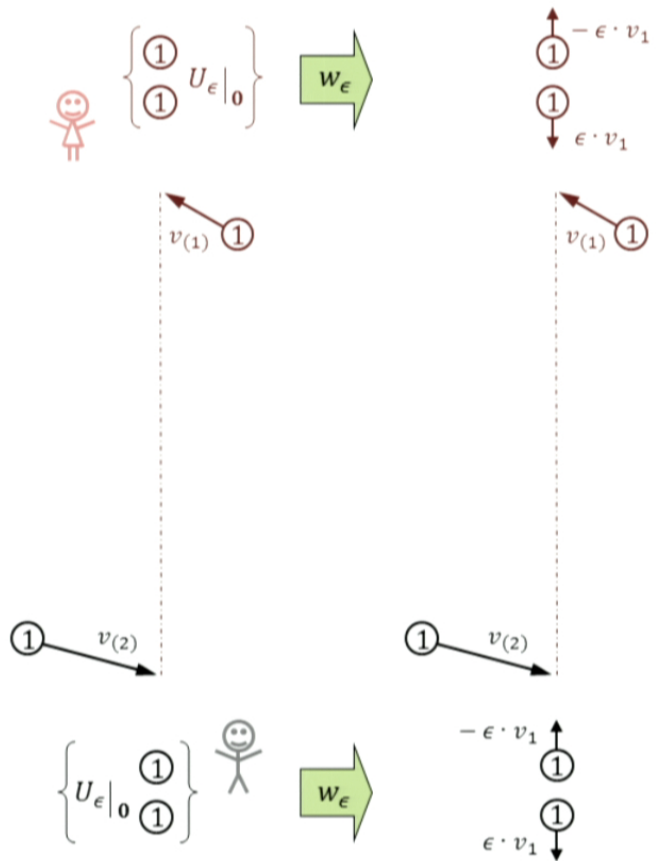
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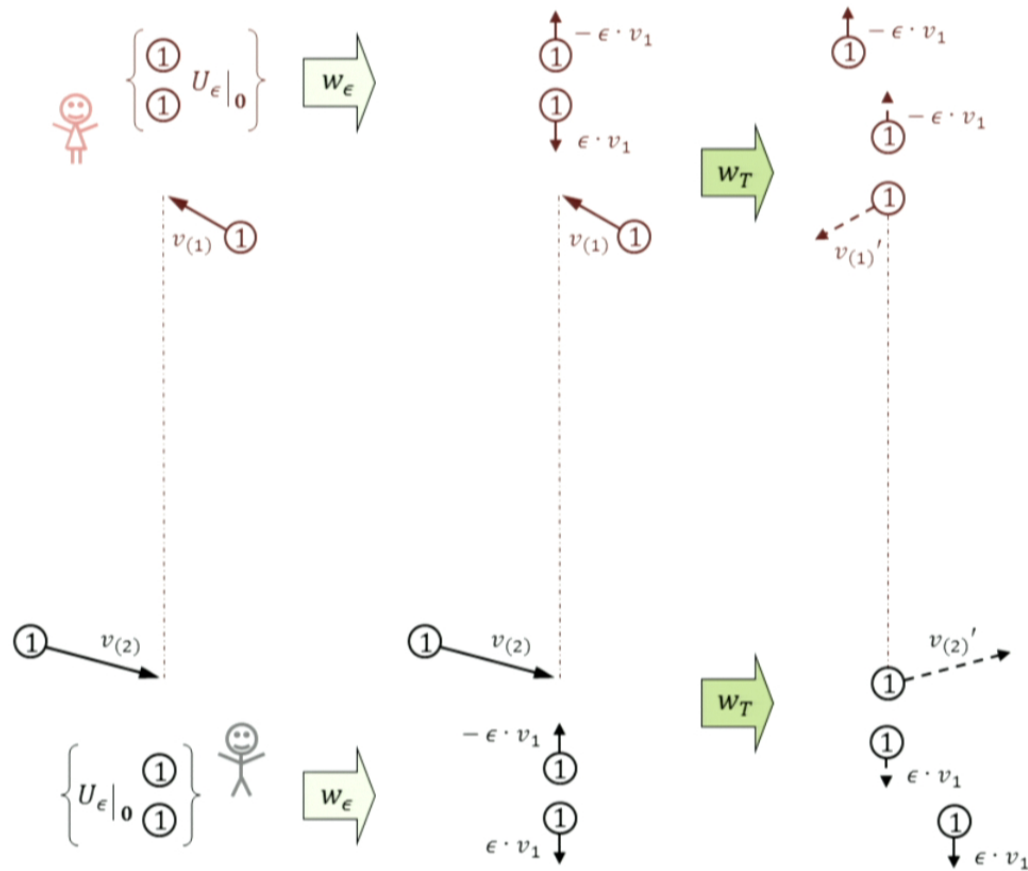
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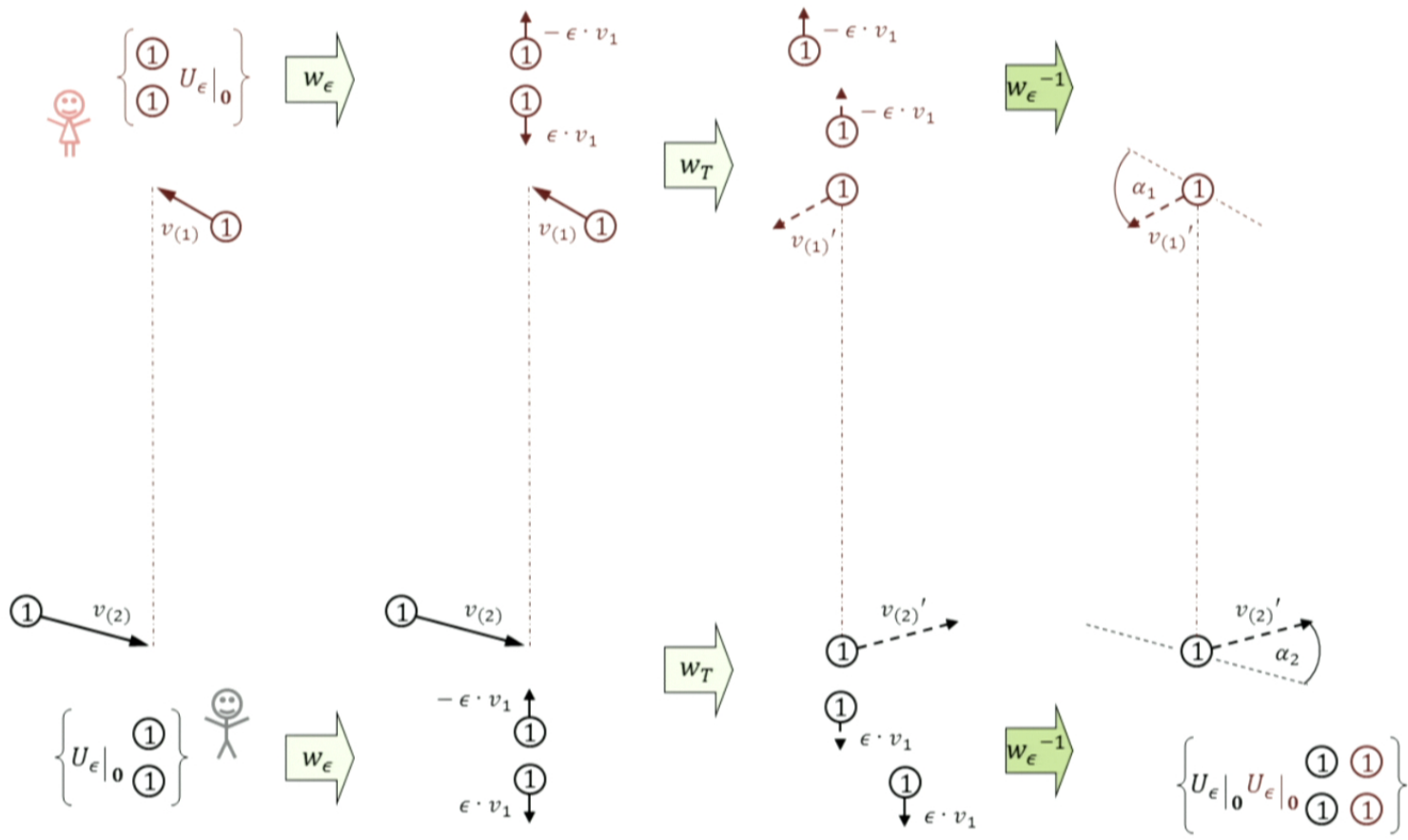
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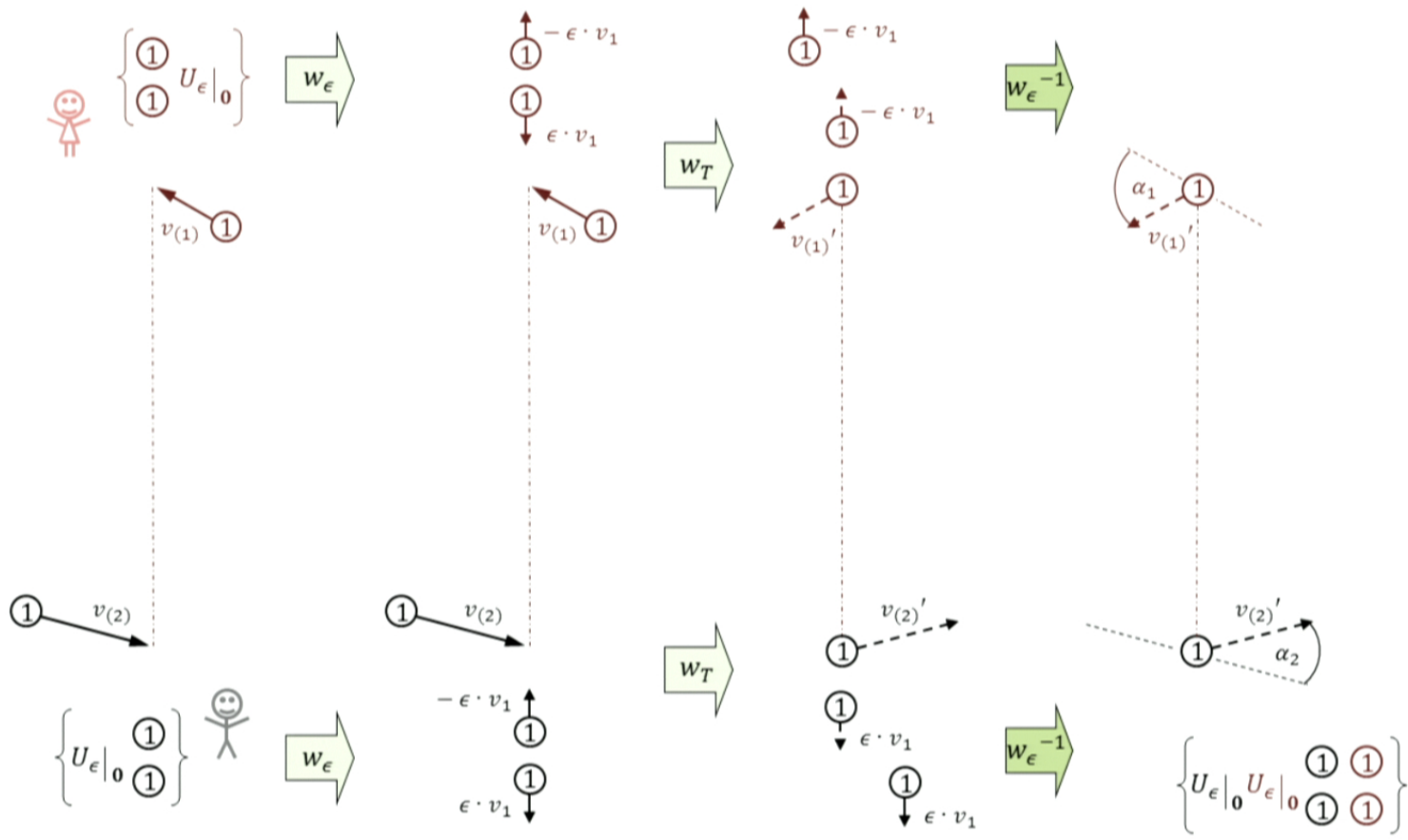
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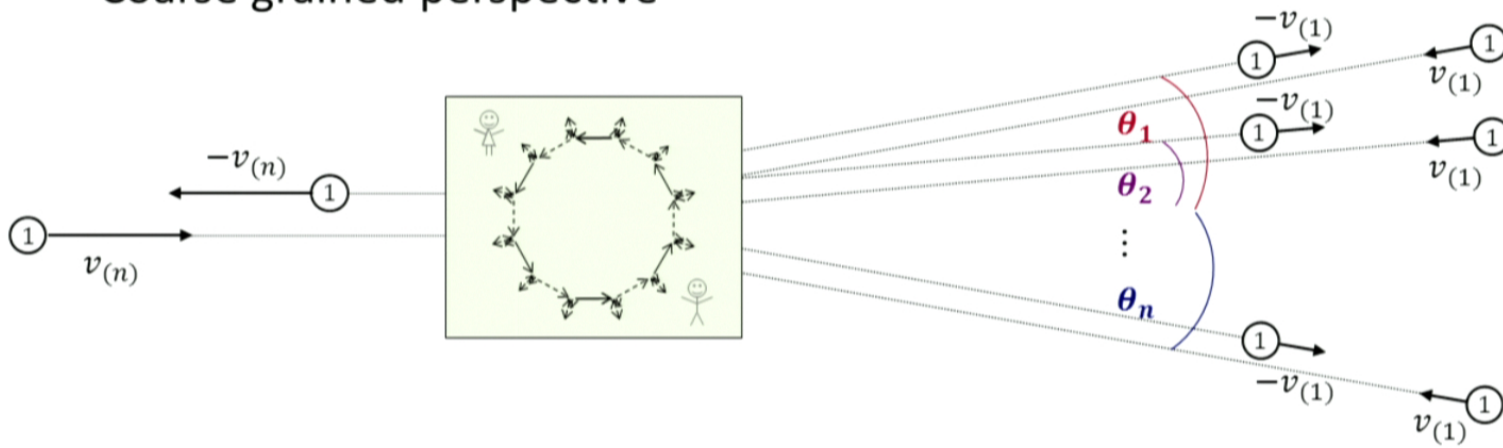
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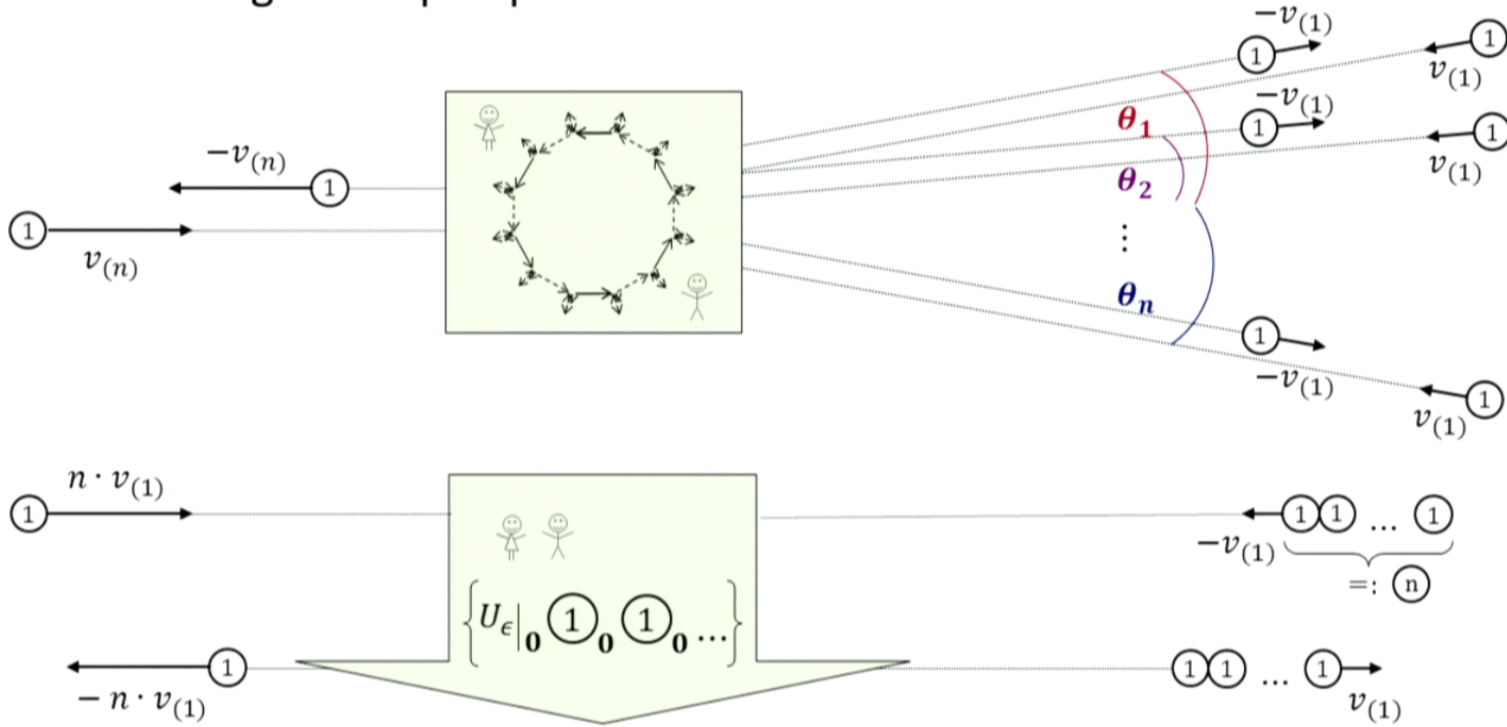
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Coarse grained perspective



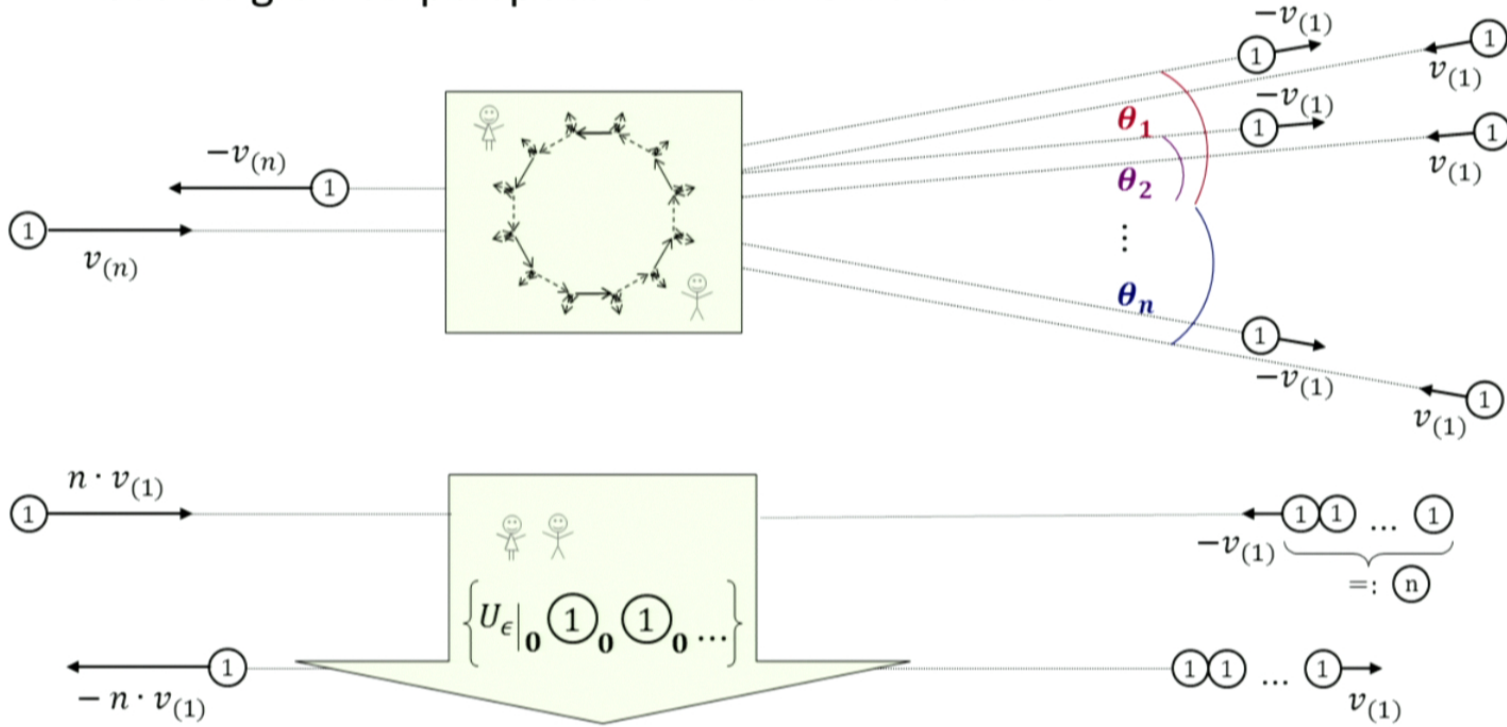
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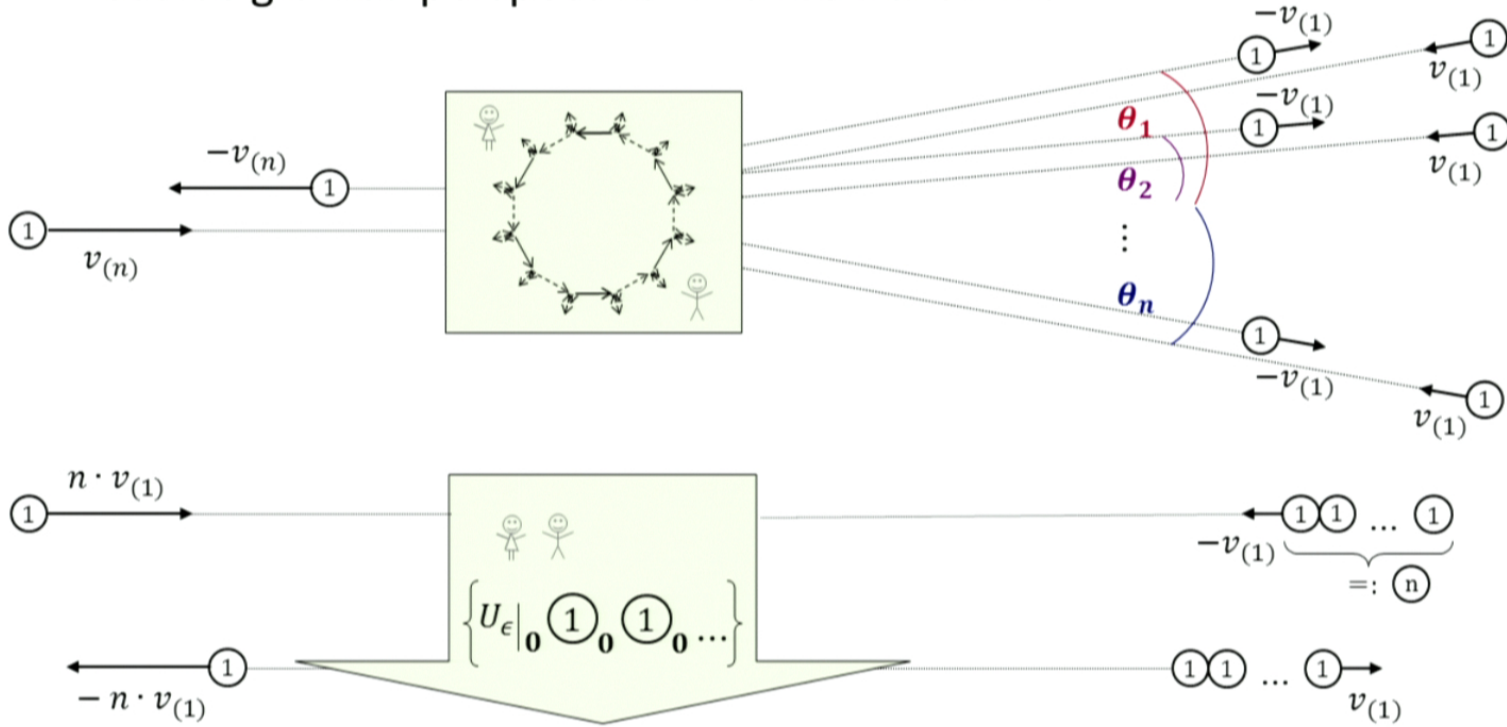
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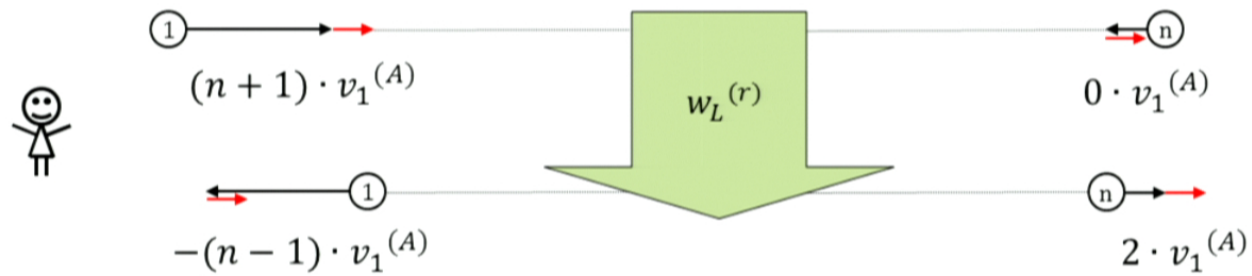
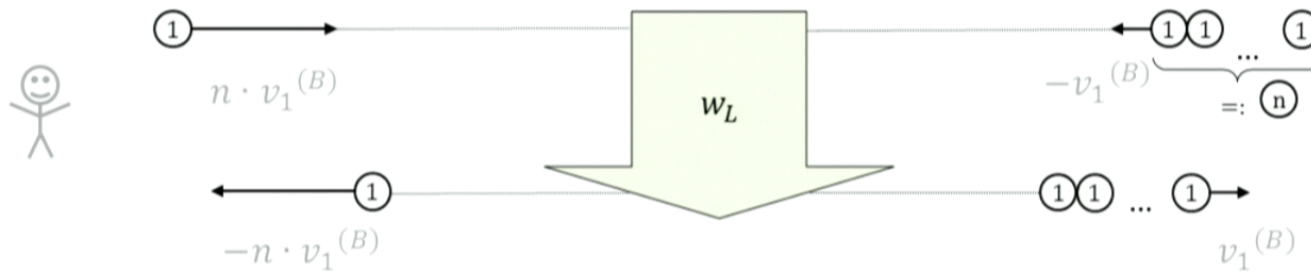
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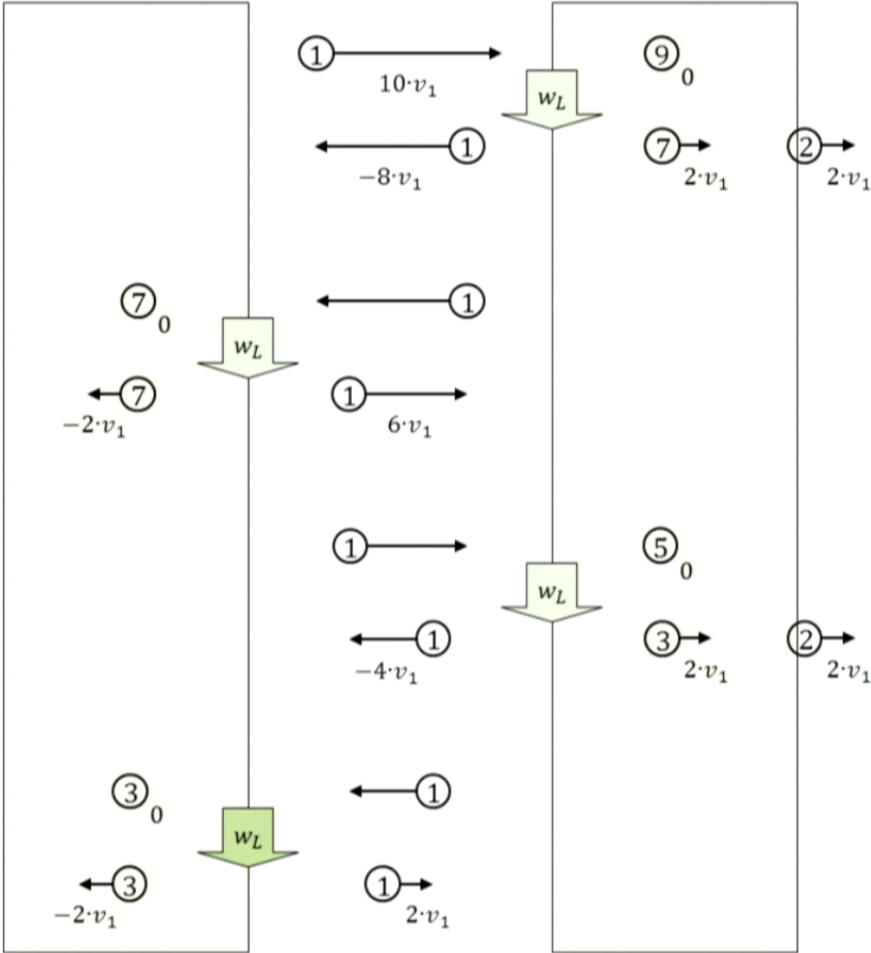
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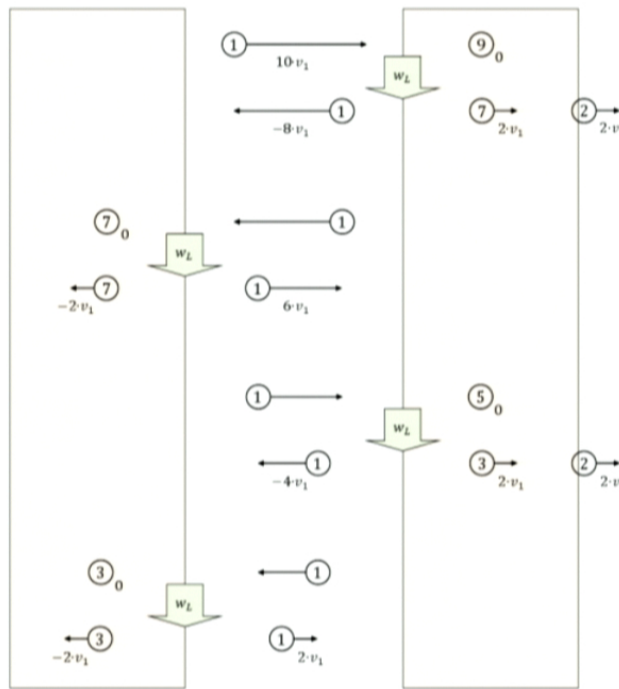
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Elastic Longitudinal Collision



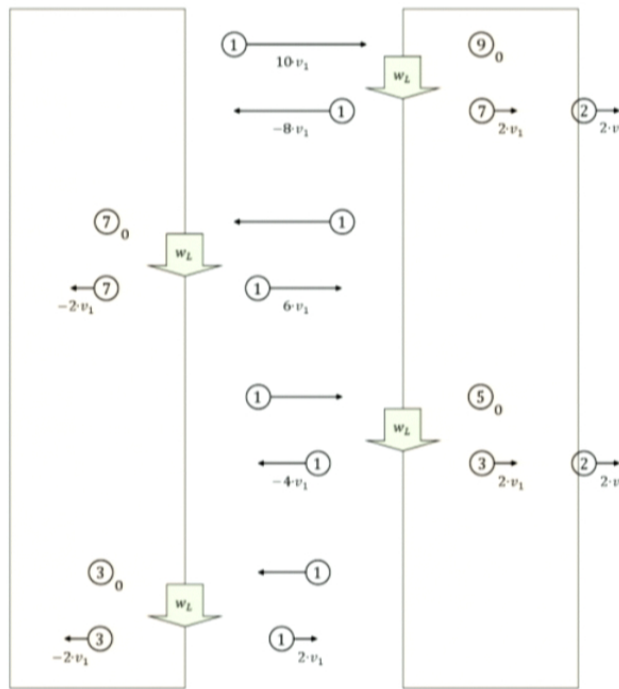
Absorption Action





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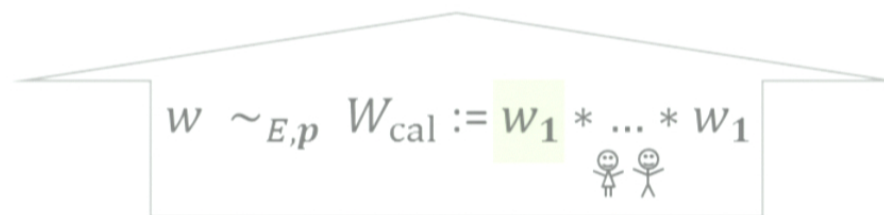
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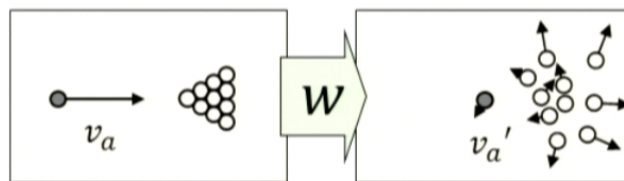
observable/ physical measure

$$E \textcircled{a} v_a$$

$$p \textcircled{a} \cup \textcircled{b} v_l$$



empirical basis



Physical Principles

Principle of Causality

Principle of Inertia

Impossibility of a Perpetuum Mobile

Principle of Sufficient Reason

Equivalence Principle

Superposition Principle

Methodical Principles

Basic measurement: as doubling of physical measures

Congruence Principle: for reliable quantification

Equipollence Principle: of measuring the cause of potential action by its (kinetic) effect

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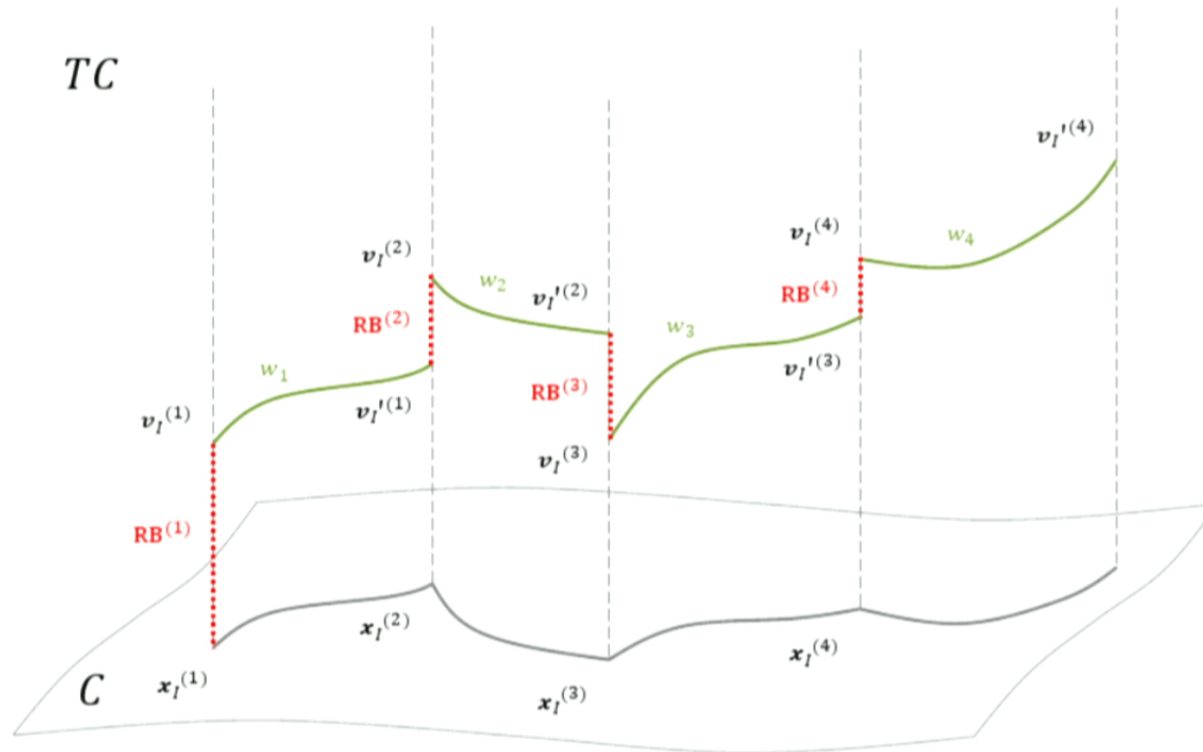
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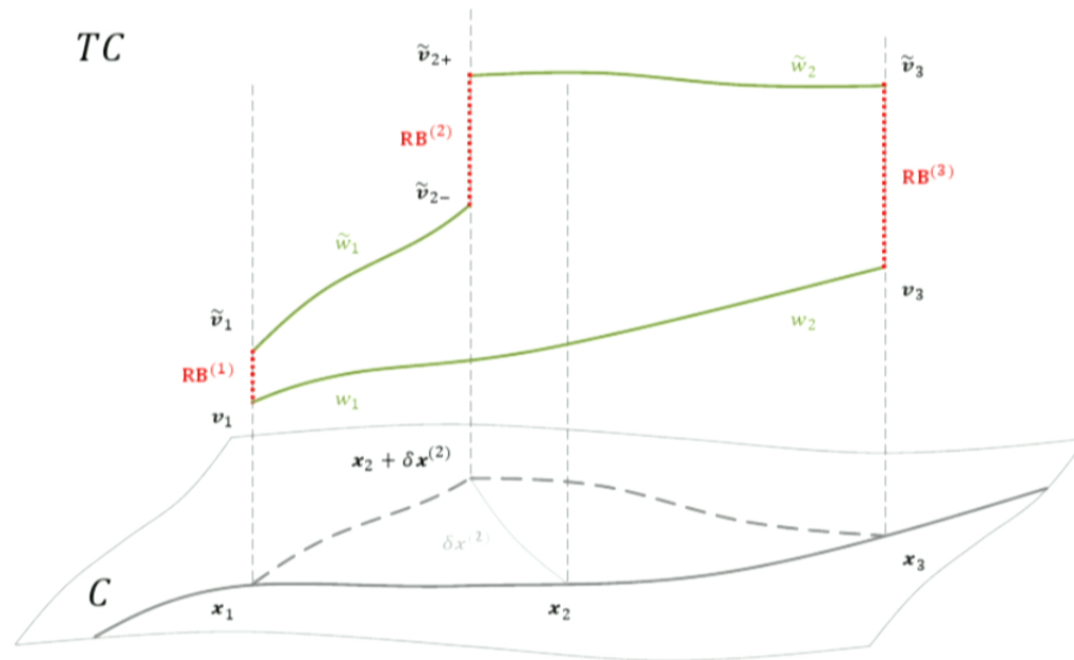
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Principle of Least Action



steer Hamilton type variation $\delta\gamma^{(\text{Ham})}$ of free course γ of intrinsic action w

$$0 < \delta S_{\text{Ham}}[\gamma]$$

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(external steering effort)

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