

# Automatic Differentiation for Optimum Design, Applied to Sonic Boom Reduction

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# PLAN:

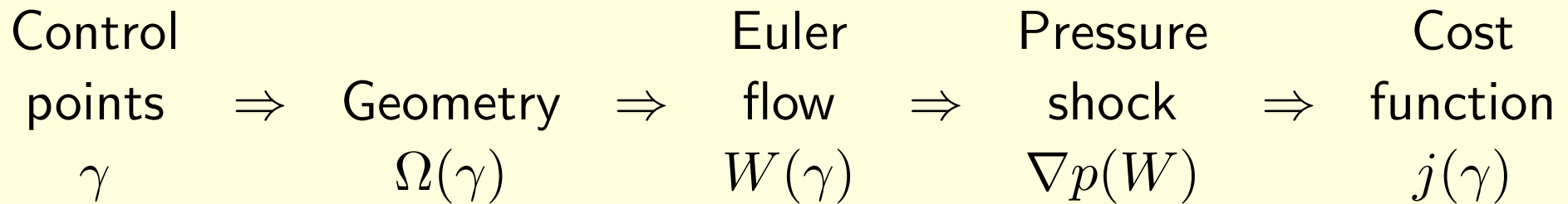
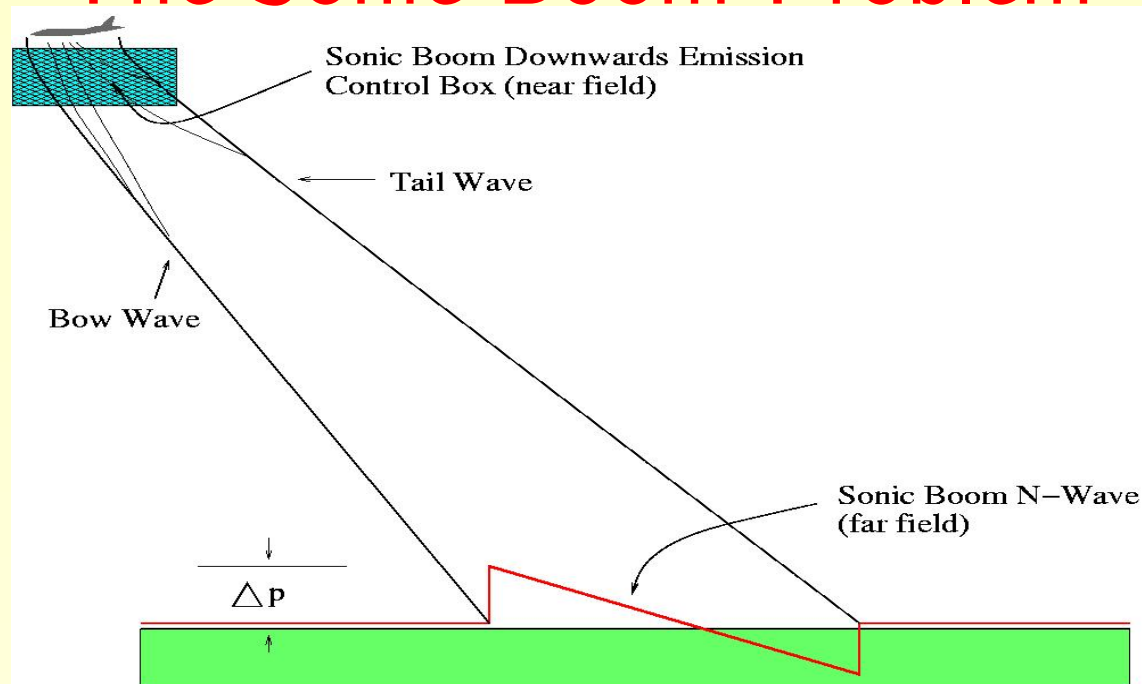
- **Part 1:** A gradient-based shape optimization to reduce the Sonic Boom
- **Part 2:** Utilization and improvements of reverse A.D to compute the Adjoint
- **Conclusion**

## PART 1:

# GRADIENT-BASED SONIC BOOM REDUCTION

- The Sonic Boom optimization problem
- A mixed Adjoint/AD strategy
- Resolution of the Adjoint and Gradient
- Numerical results

# The Sonic Boom Problem



# Gradient-based Optimization

$j(\gamma)$  models the strength of the downwards Sonic Boom

⇒ Compute the **gradient**  $j'(\gamma)$  and use it in an optimization loop!

⇒ Use **reverse-mode AD** to compute this gradient

# Differentiate the iterative solver?

$W(\gamma)$  is defined **implicitly** through the Euler equations

$$\Psi(\gamma, W) = 0$$

- ⇒ The program uses an iterative solver
- ⇒ Brute force reverse AD differentiates the whole iterative process
- Does it make sense?
- Is it efficient ?

# A mixed Adjoint/AD strategy

Back to the mathematical adjoint system:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Psi(\gamma, W) = 0 \quad (\text{state system}) \\ \frac{\partial J}{\partial W}(\gamma, W) - \left(\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial W}(\gamma, W)\right)^t \cdot \Pi = 0 \quad (\text{adjoint system}) \\ j'(\gamma) = \frac{\partial J}{\partial \gamma}(\gamma, W) - \left(\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \gamma}(\gamma, W)\right)^t \cdot \Pi = 0 \quad (\text{optimality condition}) \end{array} \right.$$

lower level  $\Rightarrow$  reverse AD *cf Part 2*

upper level  $\Rightarrow$  hand-coded specific solver for  $\Pi$

## Upper level

Solve  $\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial W}(\gamma, W)^t \cdot \Pi = \frac{\partial J}{\partial W}(\gamma, W)$

⇒ Use a **matrix-free** solver

Preconditioning: **“defect correction”**

⇒ use the inverse of 1<sup>st</sup> order  $\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial W}$  to precondition 2<sup>nd</sup> order  $\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial W}$



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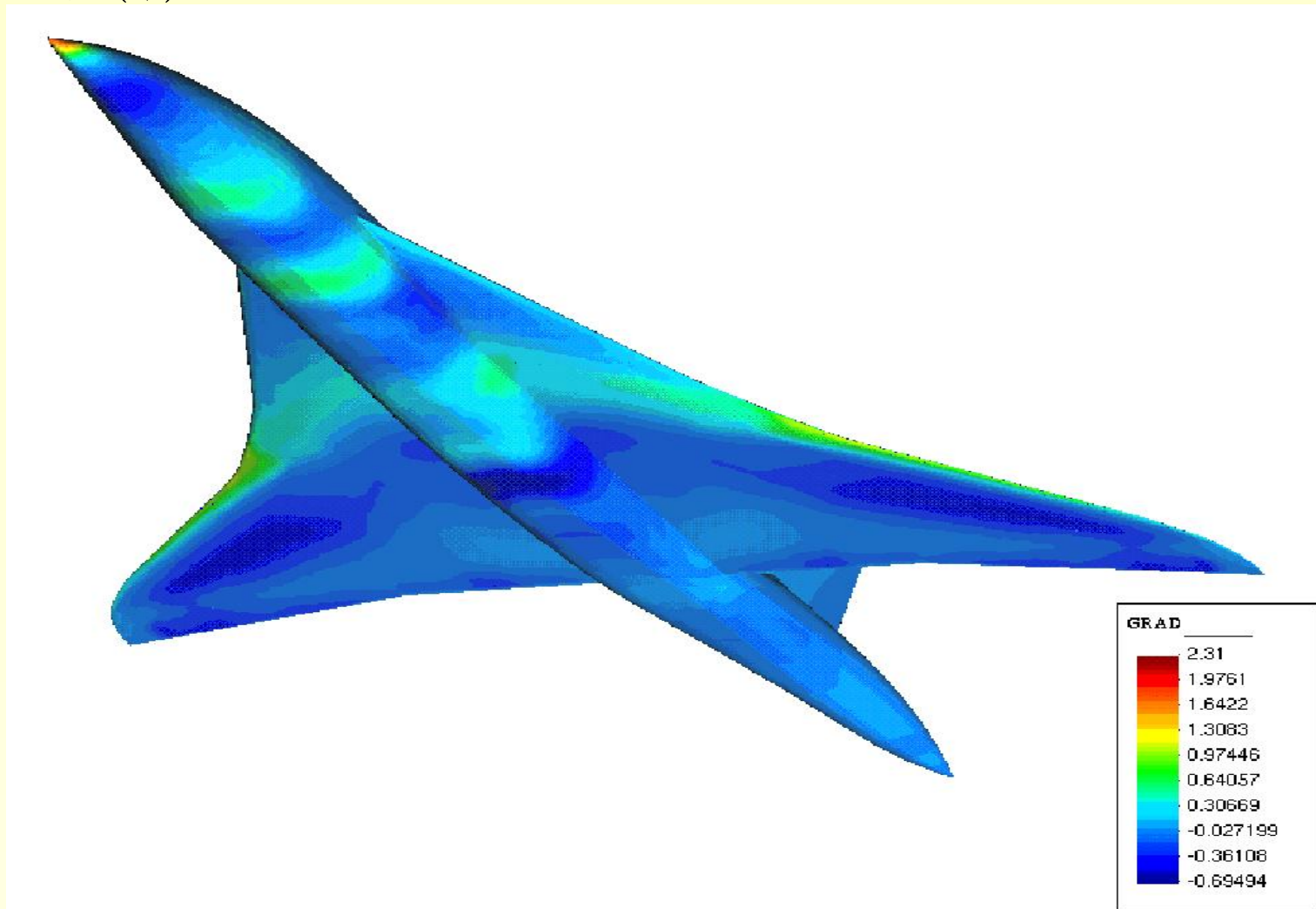
## Performances:

Assembling  $\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial W}(\gamma, W)^t$  .  $\Pi$  takes about 7 times as long as assembling the state residual  $\Psi(\gamma, W)$

⇒ Solving for  $\Pi$  takes about 4 times as long as solving for  $W$ .

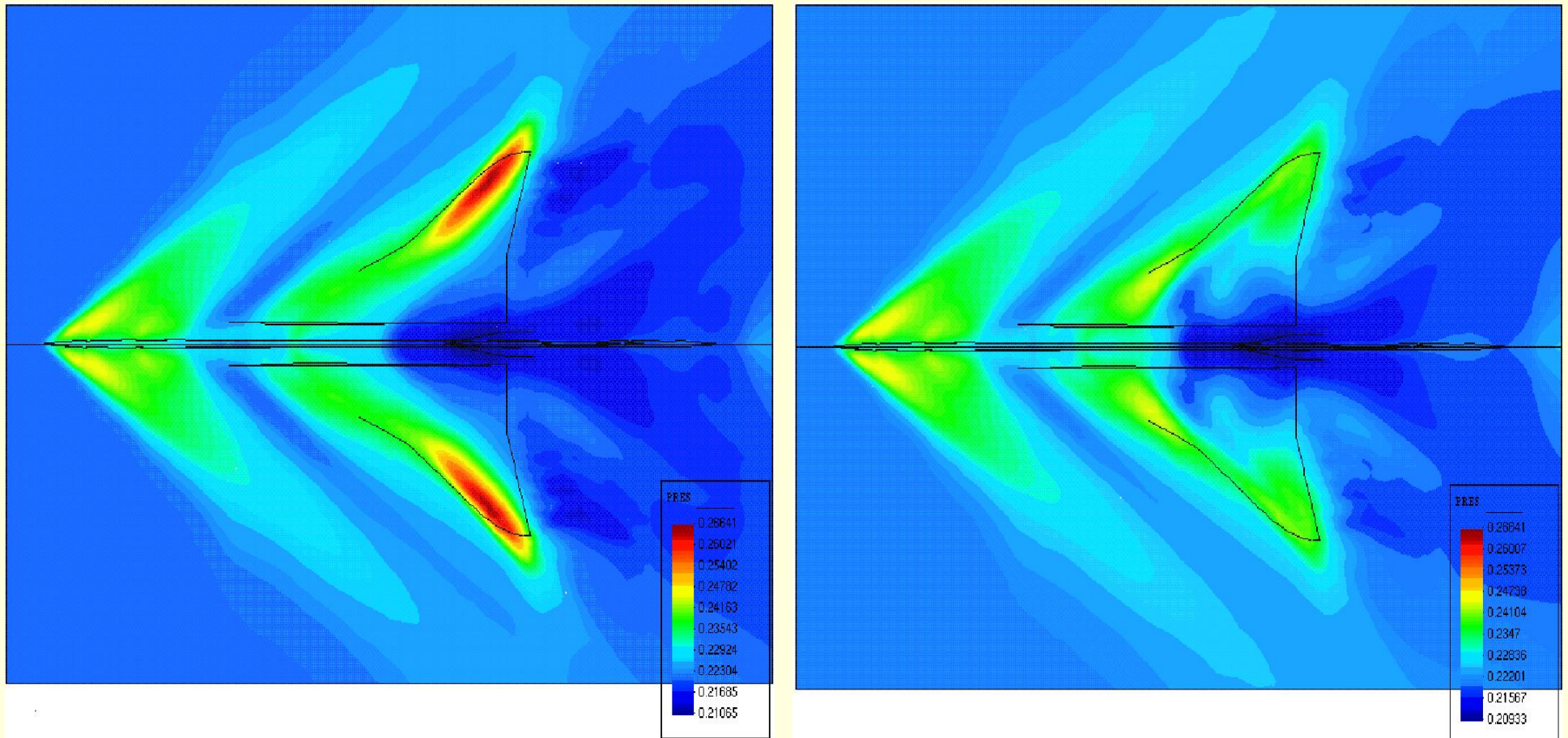
# Numerical results 1

Gradient  $j'(\gamma)$  on the skin of the plane:



# Numerical results 2

Improvement of the sonic boom after 8 optimization cycles:



## PART 2:

# REVERSE AD TO COMPUTE THE ADJOINT

- Some principles of Reverse AD
- The “Tape” memory problem, the “Checkpointing” tactic
- Impact of Data Dependences Analysis
- Impact of In-Out Data Flow Analysis

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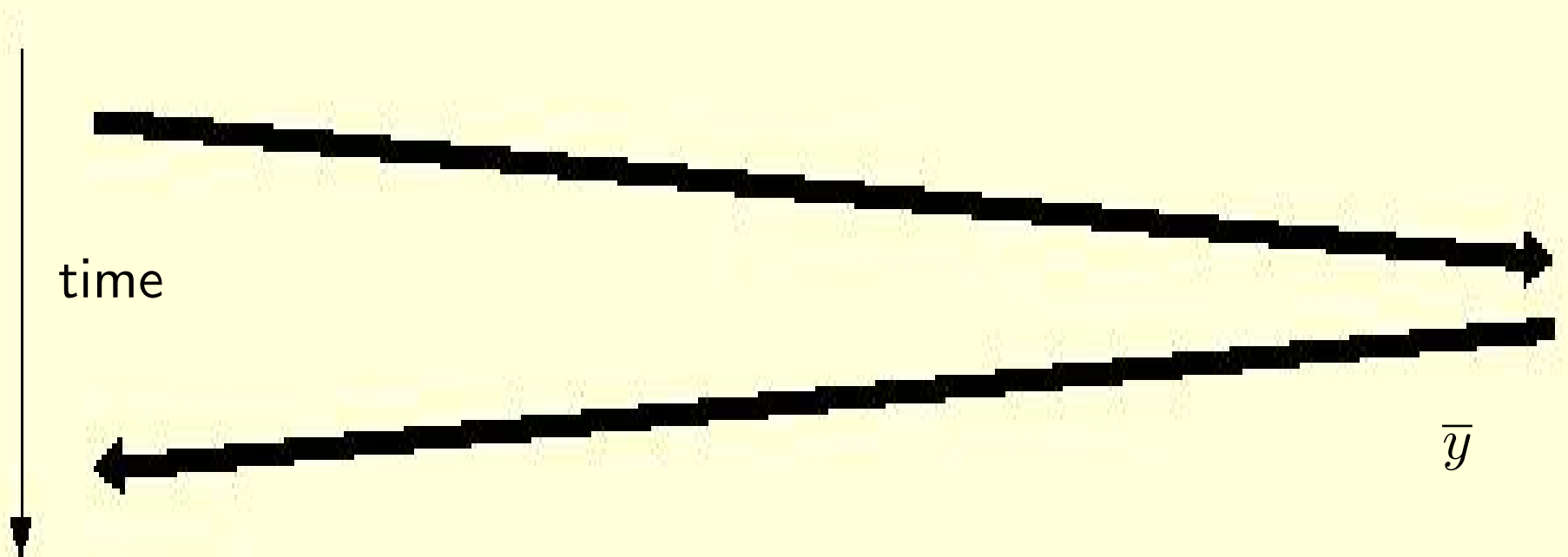
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Evaluate both **from right to left** !

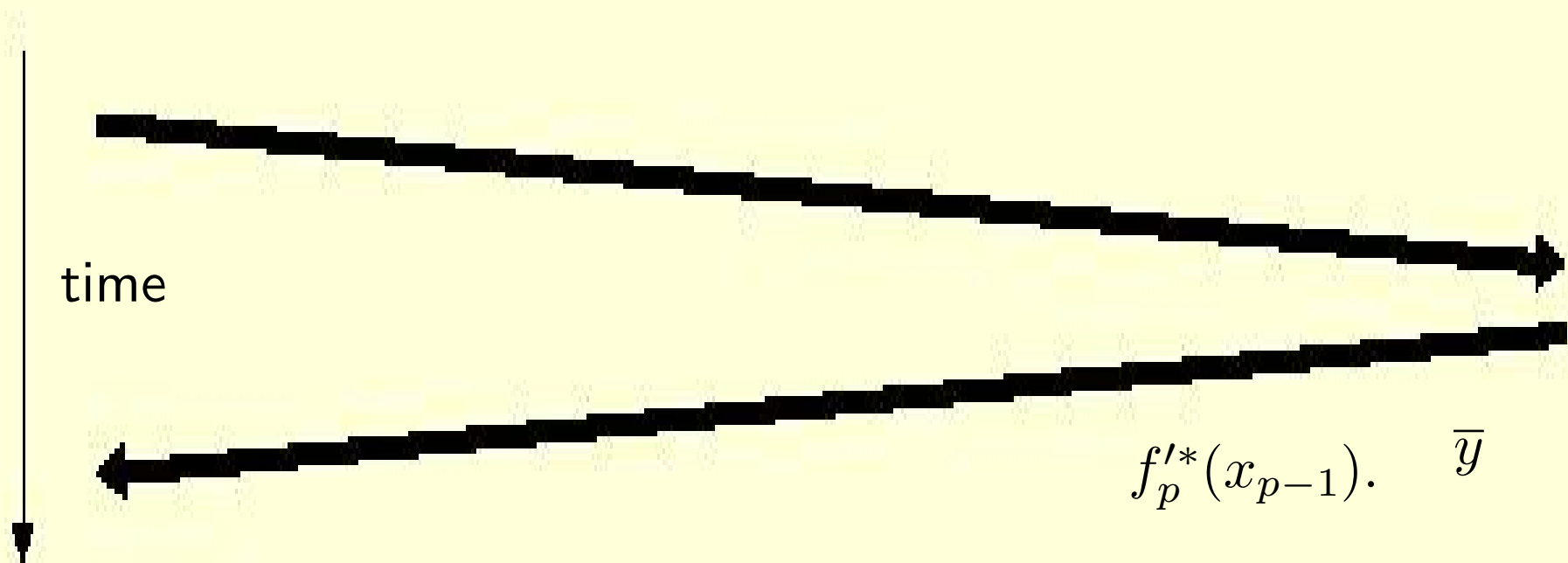
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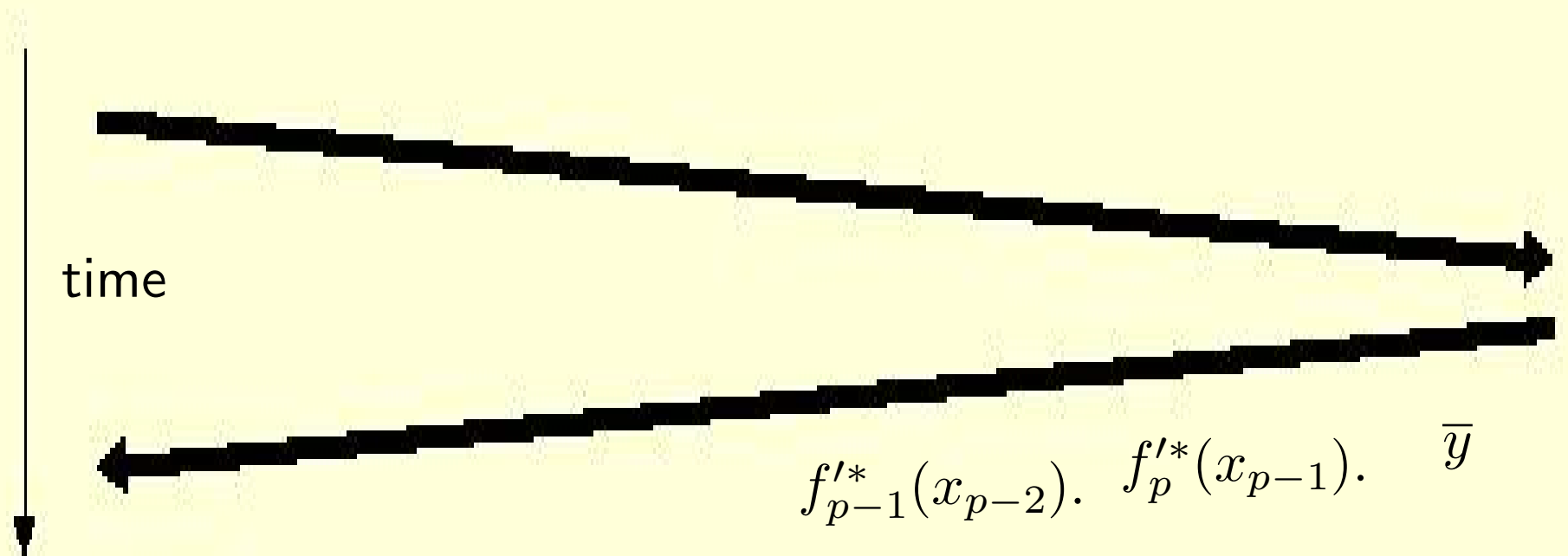
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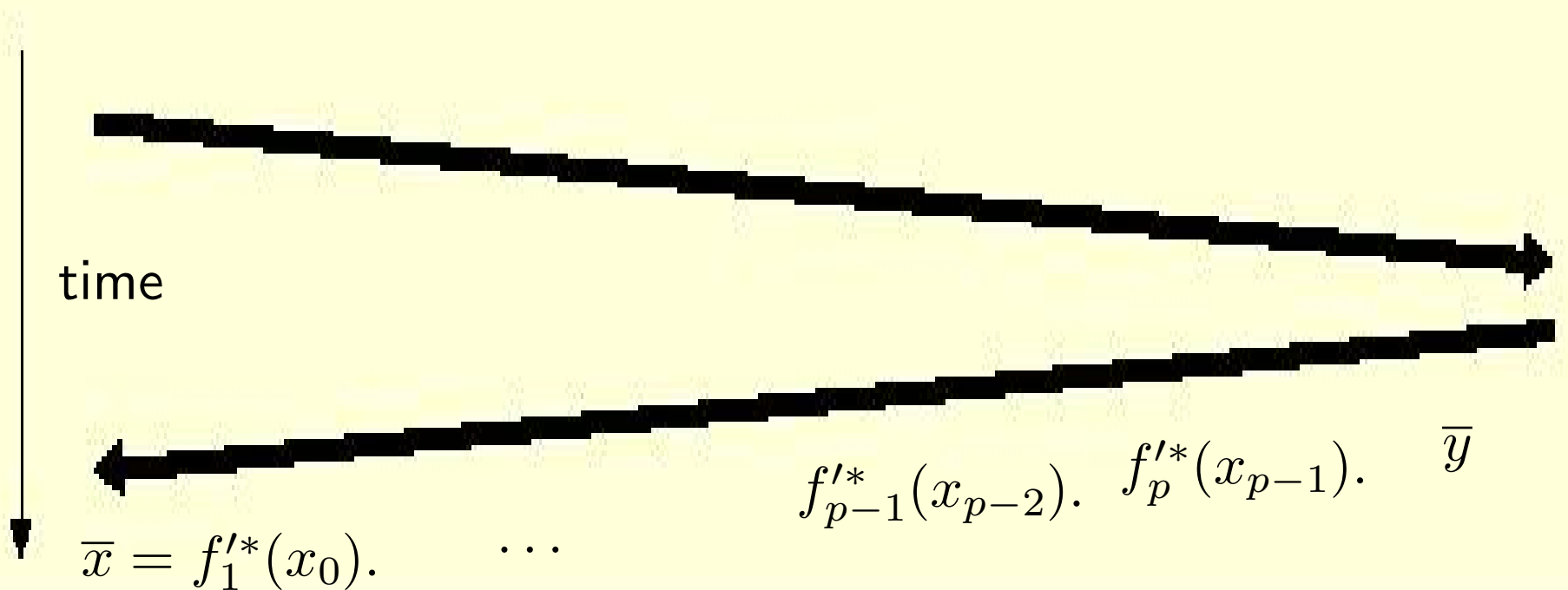
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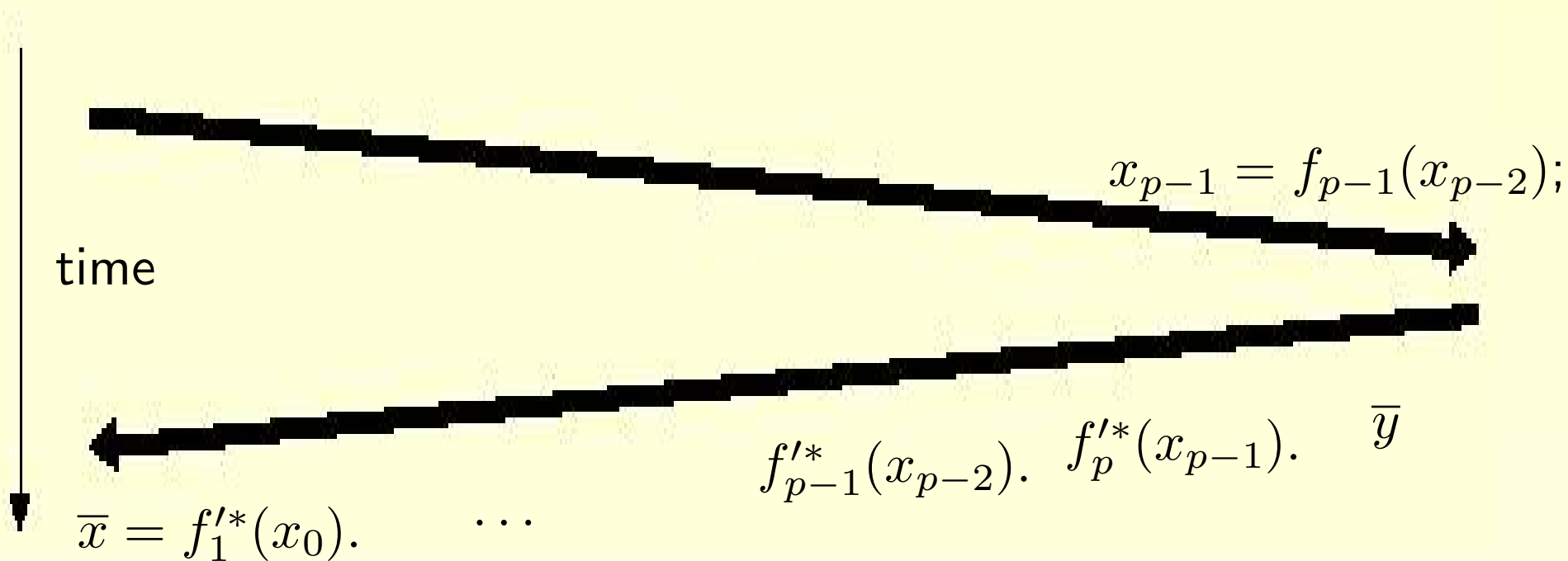
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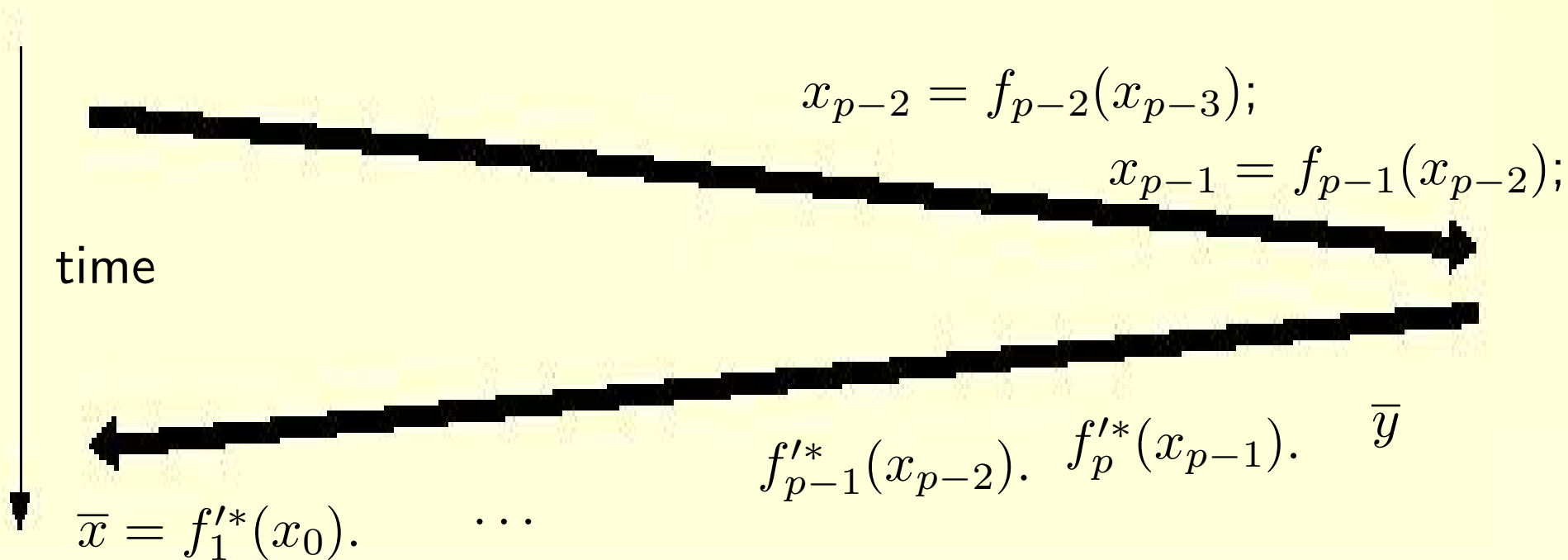
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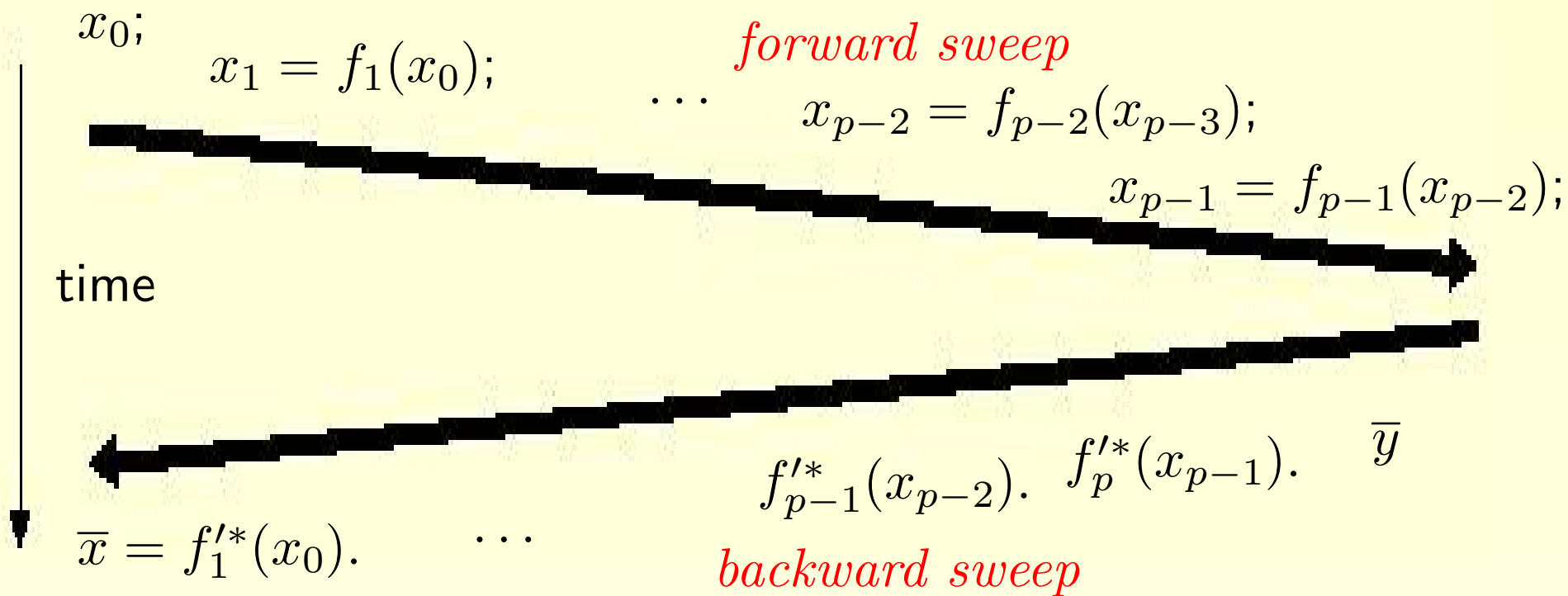
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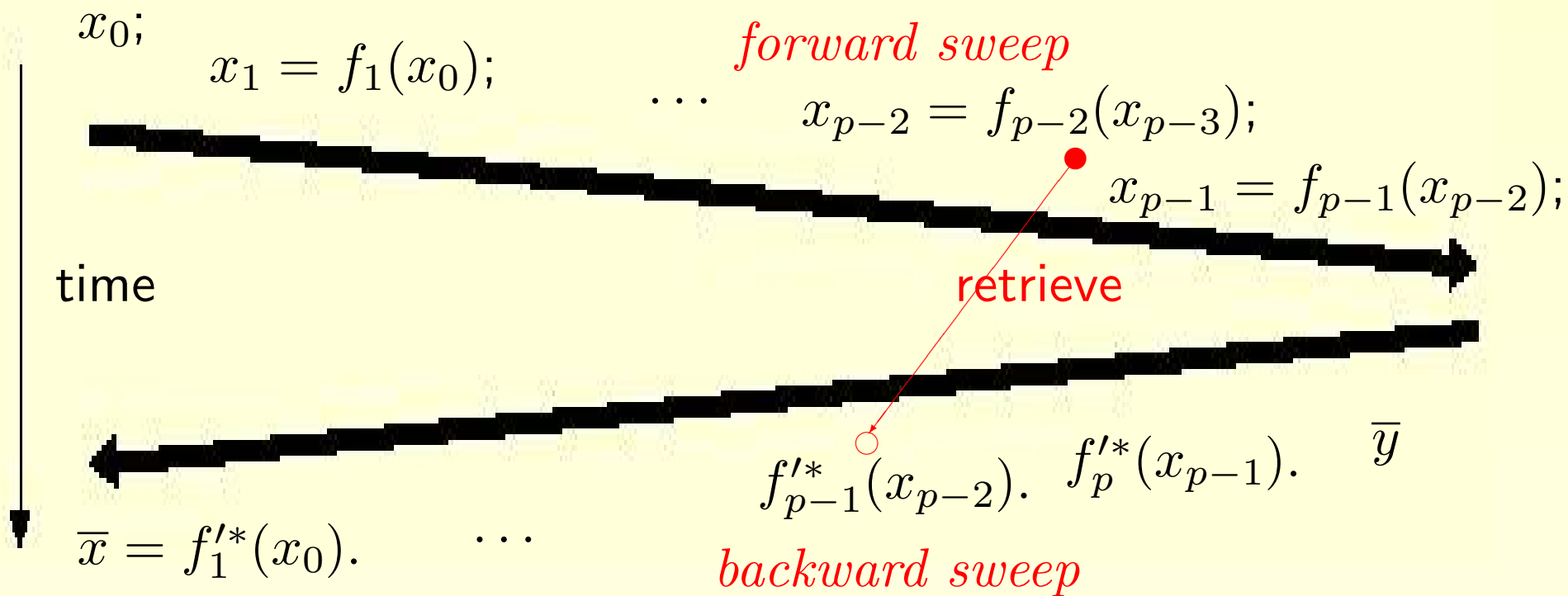
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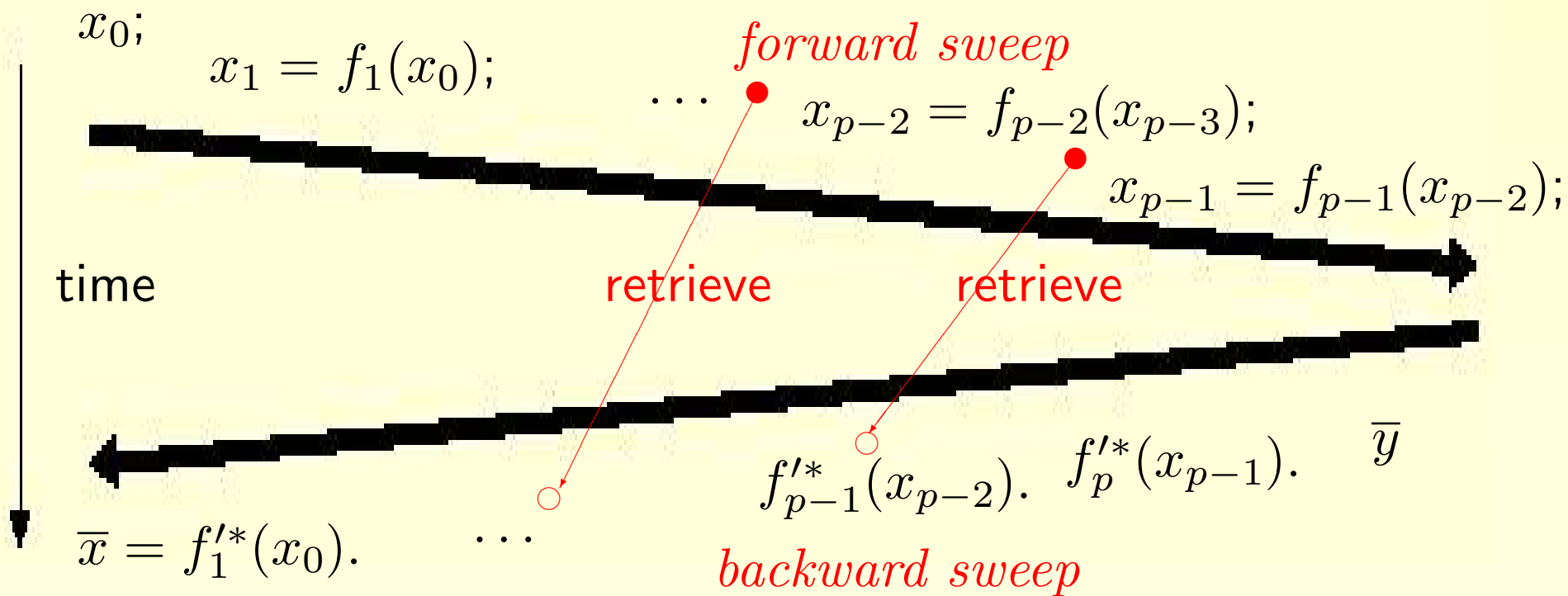
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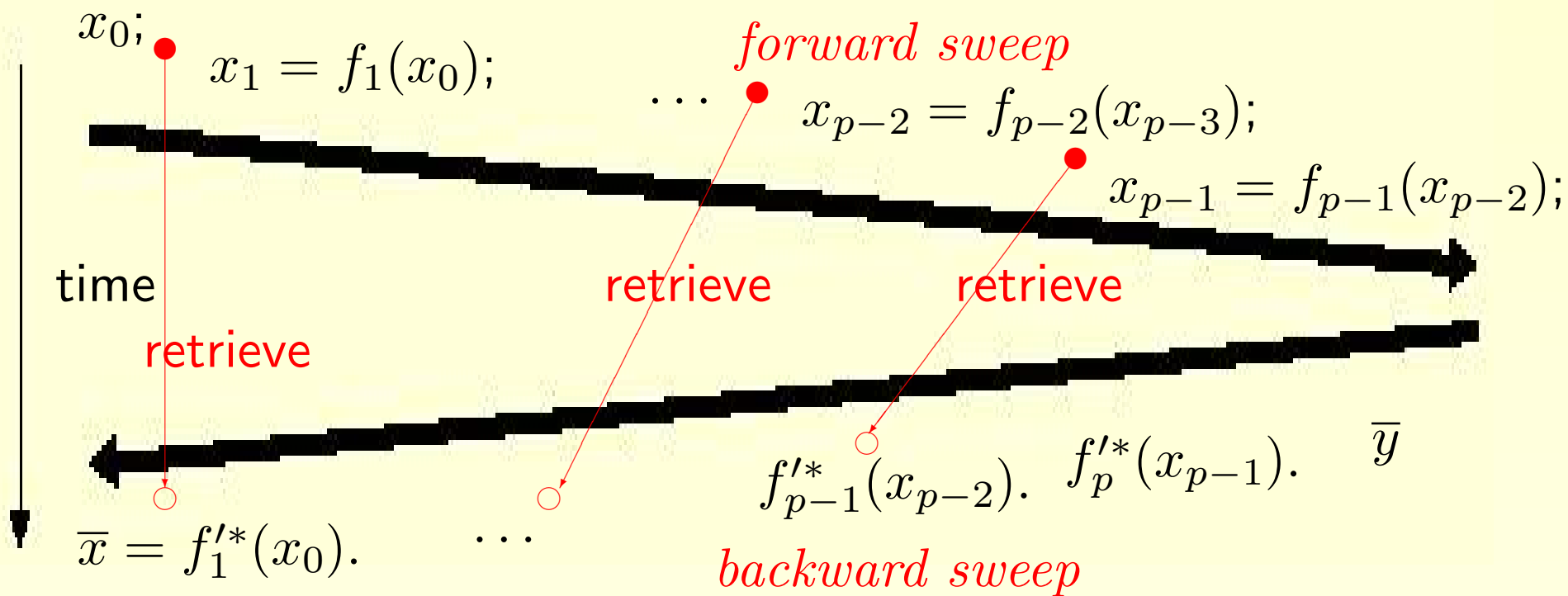
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Memory usage ("Tape") is the bottleneck!

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Corresponding **transposed** Partial Jacobians:

$$f'^*(x) = \dots \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & & \\ & 0 & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & 0 \\ & 1 & & 1 - \frac{p_1 * v_3}{v_2^2} \\ & & 1 & \frac{p_1}{v_2} \\ & & & 0 \end{pmatrix} \dots$$

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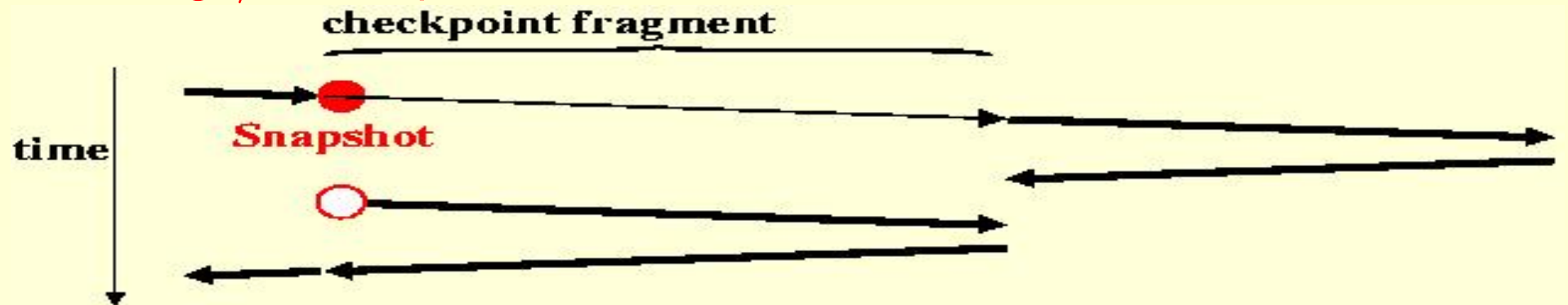
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But the **Tape** grows too large on large meshes!

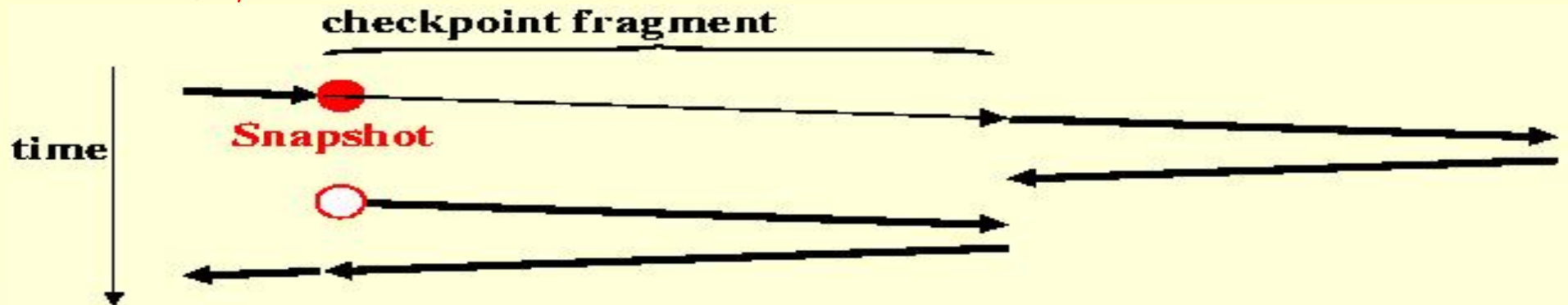
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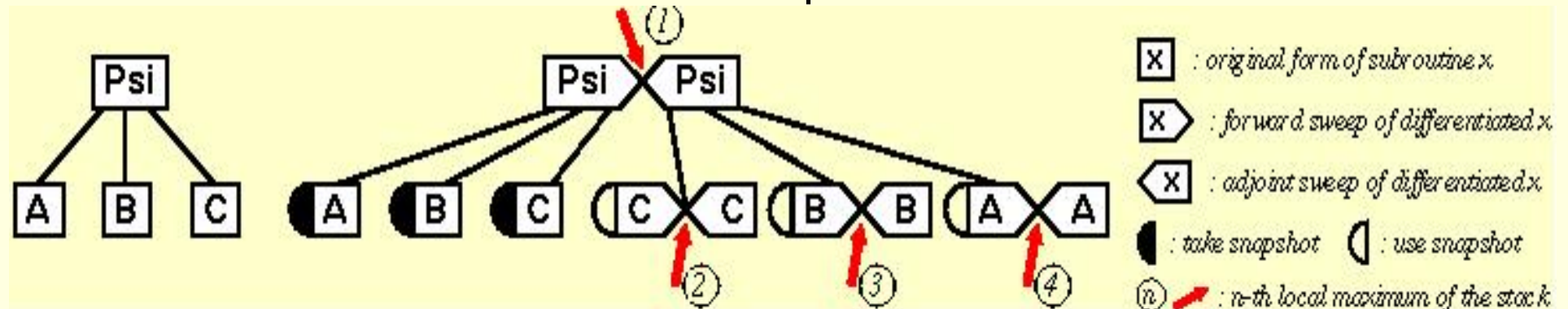


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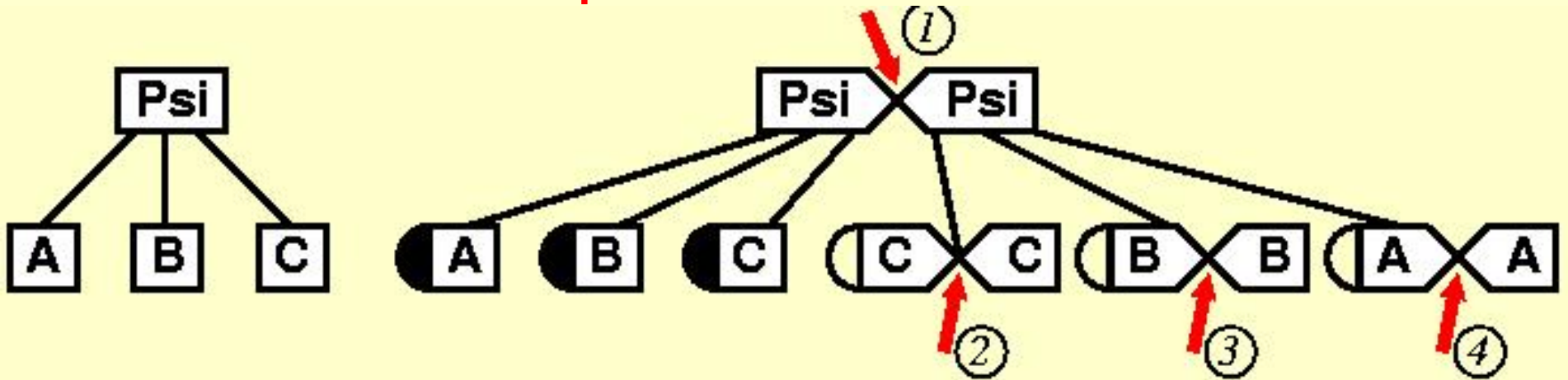


TAPENADE does it on the Call Graph :



Tape size reaches 4 local maxima.

## Tape size maxima



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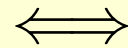
⇒ Use Data Flow analysis

# Data-Flow “to the rescue” (1)

Data Dependence Graphs of  $P$  and  $\bar{P}$  are **isomorphic**, so...  
improve **Independent-Iterations** loops (“*II*-loops”)

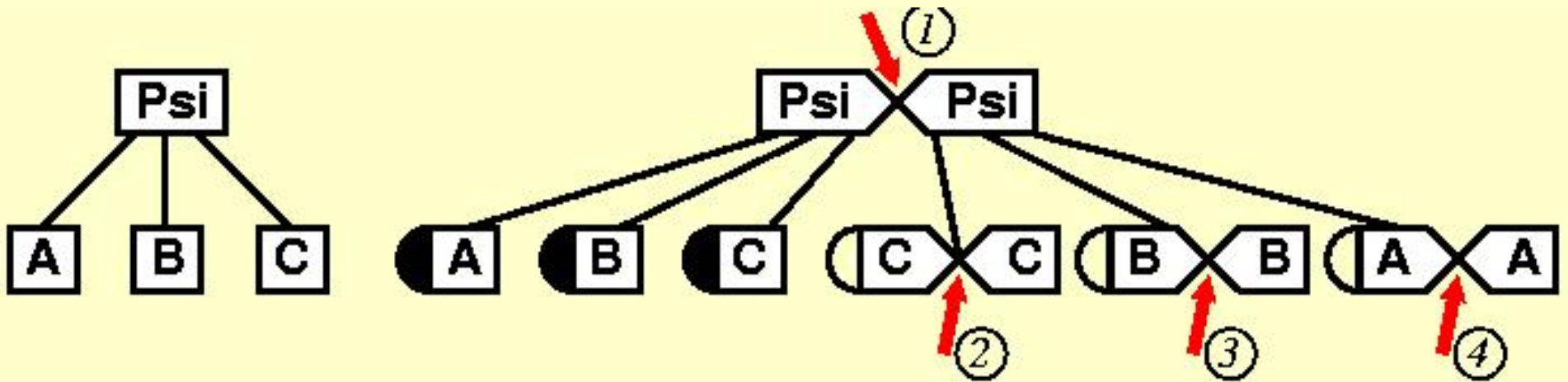
Standard:

```
do // i = 1,N
    body(i)
end
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end
```



Improved:

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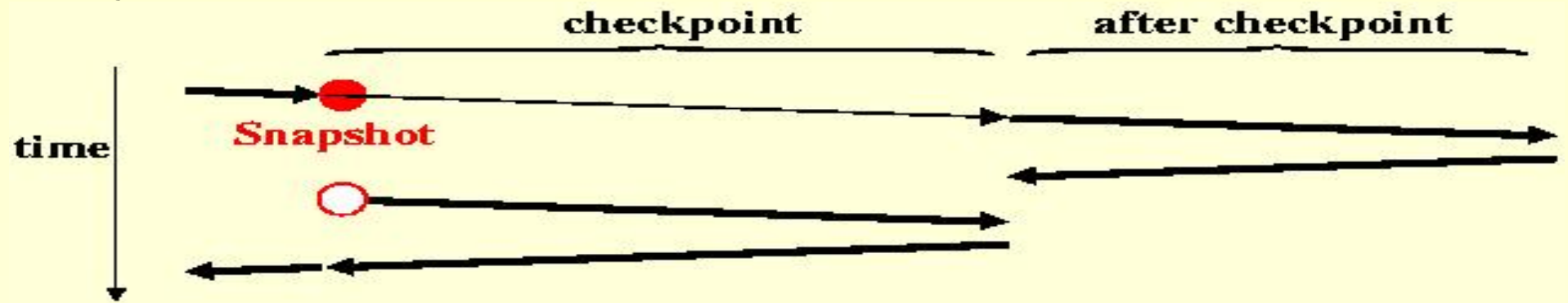


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**Improvement on (4), but hidden by (1) !**

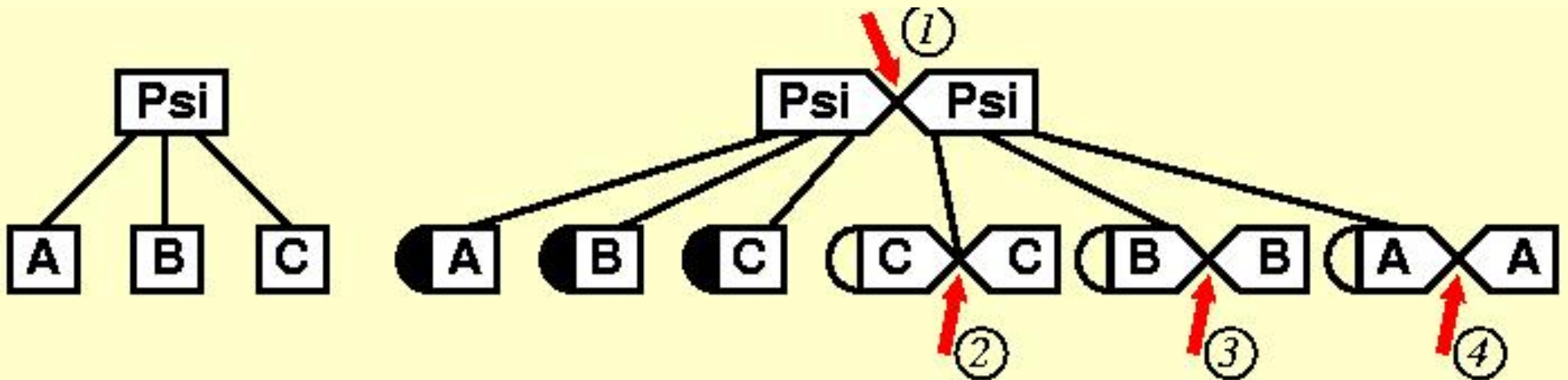
# Data-Flow “to the rescue” (2)

Analyze the size of Snapshots:



$$\text{Snapshot} = \text{IN}(\text{checkpoint}) \cap \text{OUT}(\text{checkpoint and after})$$





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Only snapshot reduction:	1.02	0.85	9.70	9.33
Only <i>II</i> -loops improvement:	12.38	7.98	4.10	0.02
Both improvements:	1.02	0.61	0.22	0.02

58 R\*8/node: quite acceptable !

# CONCLUSION:

- **Part 1:** Brute-force reverse AD, including on the iterative solver, is a hazardous strategy  $\Rightarrow$  define a manual strategy *before* AD.
- **Part 1:** ... but the matrix-free solver proves a delicate step.
- **Part 2:** Reverse AD can use reasonable memory space, thanks to data flow analyses.



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