

Course on Hybrid Systems

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COURSE STRUCTURE AND SCHEDULE

Monday February 20

14.30 – 15.15 Introduction and motivation (1h)

15.15 – 16.00 Modeling (1h)

16.30 – 18.00 Modeling (2h)

Tuesday February 21

11.00 – 12.30 Stability (2h)

14.30 – 16.00 Stability (2h)

16.30 – 17.15 Observability (1h)

Wednesday February 22

11.00 – 12.30 Observability (2h)

14.30 – 16.00 Reachability (2h, Goran)

16.30 – 18.00 Reachability (2h, Goran)

Thursday February 23

10.00 – 12.30 Tools for reachability (3h with 15 minutes break, Goran)

14.30 – 16.00 Control design (2h, Olaf)

16.30 – 18.00 Control design (2h, Olaf)

Friday February 24

10.00 – 12.30 Control design (3h with 15 minutes break, Olaf)

12.30 – 12.45 Conclusions

BIBLIOGRAPHY

Key references:

- John Lygeros
Lecture Notes on Hybrid Systems
- H. Lin and P.J. Antsaklis
Hybrid Dynamical Systems: An introduction to Control and Verification.
Foundations and Trends in Systems and Control. Vol. 1, No. 1
(2014) 1–172
- Daniel Liberzon
Switching in Systems and Control
Birkhauser, 2003

Papers covering additional parts of the course will be listed on the website

http://home.deib.polimi.it/prandini/Hybrid_Systems_2017.html

FINAL EXAM

Two options:

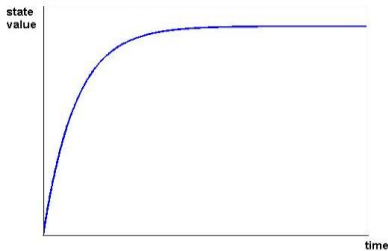
- solve some assignments (questions and numerical exercises)
- develop a small project on a topic to be agreed upon.

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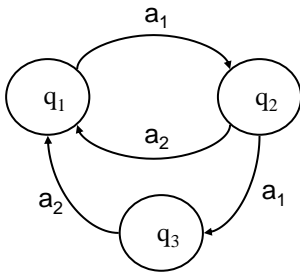
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state takes values in a continuous set and changes as time progresses
- **event-driven discrete systems**
state takes values in a discrete set and changes due to the occurrence of an event

TIME DRIVEN vs. EVENT-DRIVEN SYSTEMS



Time driven system

State space: $X = \mathfrak{R}$
Dynamics: $dx/dt = f(x)$
ordinary differential equation (ODE)



Event-driven system

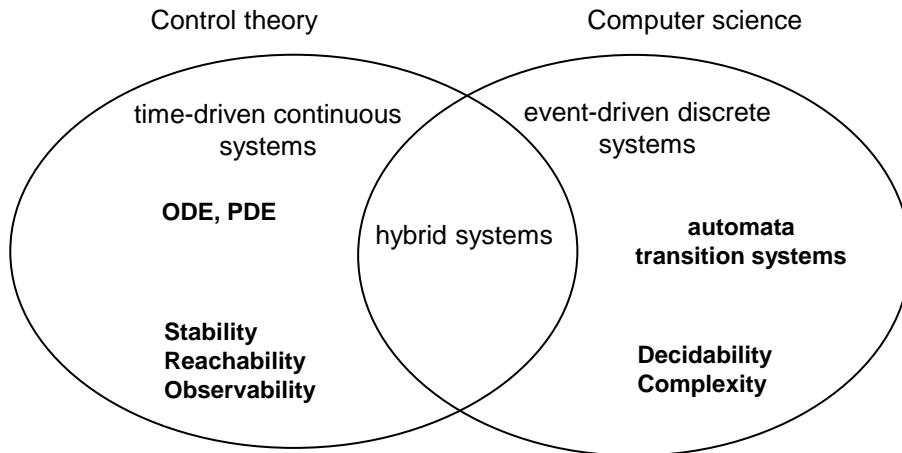
State space: $Q = \{q_1, q_2, q_3\}$
Dynamics: $q(i+1) = \Phi(q(i), a(i))$
 $a(i) = i$ -th event, finite automaton

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HYBRID SYSTEMS THEORY



HYBRID BEHAVIOR ARISES IN...

Continuous systems with phased operation

dynamics inherently hybrid (mechanical systems with collisions, robotics, engine control, circuits with diodes, biological cell growth and division)

Continuous systems controlled by discrete logic

quantized control of a continuous system (thermostat, chemical plant with valves and pumps)

embedded systems where computational systems modeled as finite-state machines are coupled with plants and controllers modeled by continuous systems

networked control systems where sensors, controllers and actuators are connected by a shared network medium

switching control systems where some supervisor decides which controller in a given set to apply and when to switch to a different one

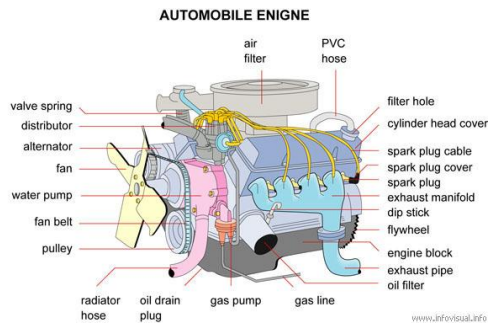
Coordination of multi-agent systems

resource allocation for competing agents with a continuous dynamics (air and ground transportation systems)

Hybrid specifications

controlled system is continuous but specifications are discrete or hybrid (process industry, manufacturing systems)

ENGINE CONTROL



a four-stroke gasoline engine is naturally modeled using four modes corresponding to the position of the pistons, while combustion and power train dynamics are continuous

ROBOTICS



a manipulator is governed by continuous dynamics, but impacts and load shifting cause discrete and asynchronous changes

AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL

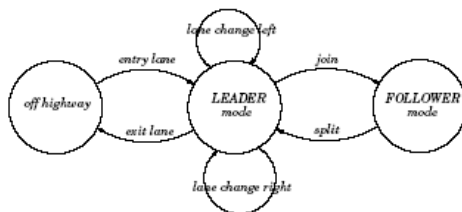
- predefined set of commands (speed change, short cut, detour...) issued by air traffic controllers to pilots to avoid conflicts
- sequencing of aircraft landing to some airport (distance to avoid turbulence caused by preceding aircraft, timing constraints)



AUTOMATED HIGHWAY SYSTEM

Goal: increase highway throughput

Cars organized in platoons



Coordination and communication protocols

More conventional controllers govern engines and breaks



CHEMICAL PROCESS CONTROL

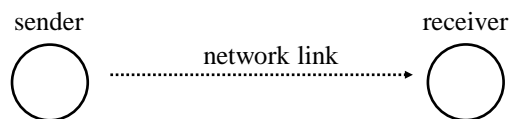
- a sequence of instructions is executed to produce some chemical substance (discrete specifications)
- each instruction possibly involves the control of continuous dynamics
 - keeping some reference temperature while a chemical reaction takes place
 - maintaining some level in a tank (valves and pumps implement a discrete control)



DATA COMMUNICATION NETWORK

Data flows are modeled as continuous variables

Traffic control mechanism induces discrete controls



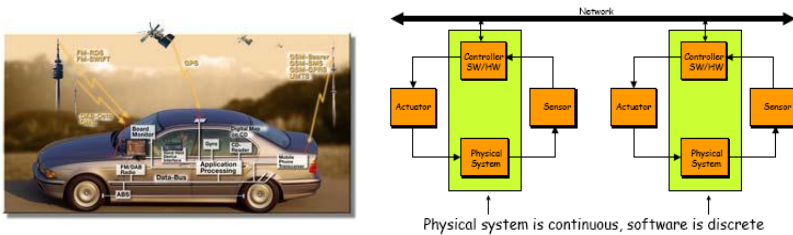
The network link may drop some packet

TCP/IP protocol (simplified version)

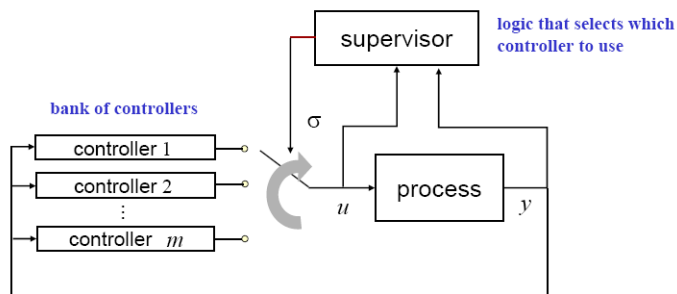
- sender increases the sending rate linearly until the first packet loss (no ack received in some time window)
- then the sending rate is reduced to half (congestion control)

EMBEDDED SYSTEMS

- micro-processors with an inherently discrete behavior (e.g. due to finite precision computations and quantization of signals) embedded in a physical device
- integrated with the physical world (continuous environment) through actuators and sensors
- sharing data and resources by a networked architecture (networked embedded systems)

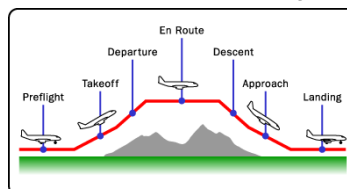


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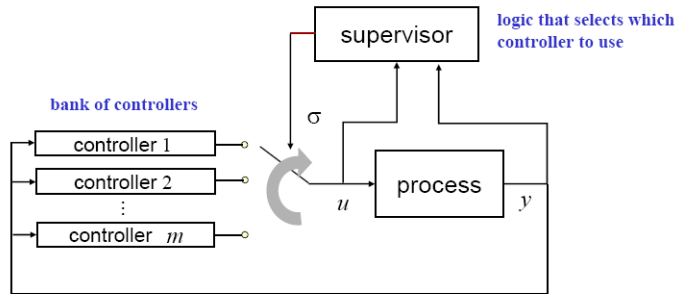


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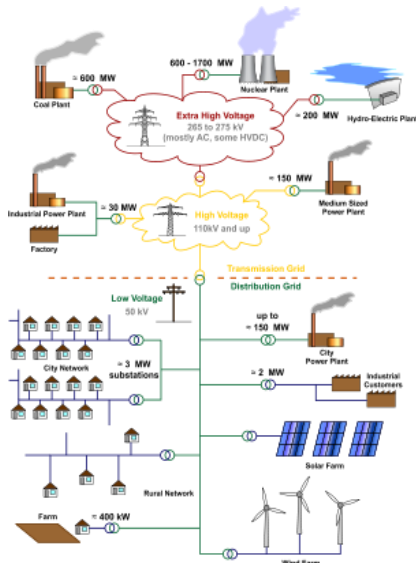
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Adaptive switching control:

different controllers designed for different admissible models for the uncertain plant, switching rule based on data collected from plant

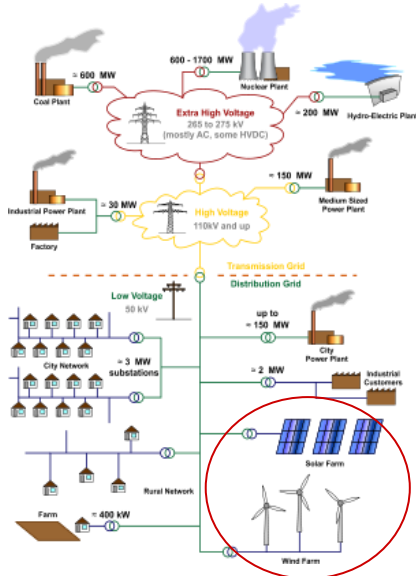
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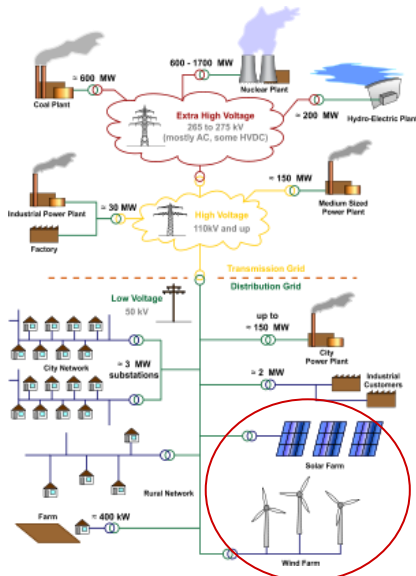


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EC funded projects:
MoVeS "Modeling, verification and control of
complex systems: From foundations to power
network applications" 2010-2013
UnCoVerCPS "Unifying Control and Verification
of Cyber-Physical Systems" 2015-2018

Examples of hybrid automaton

EXAMPLE: THERMOSTAT

Temperature in a room controlled by a thermostat switching a heater on and off

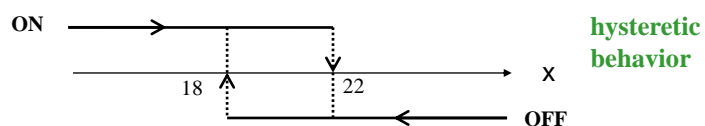
Dynamics of the temperature x (in $^{\circ}\text{C}$):

heater on: $\dot{x} = -0.2x + 6$ ($x \rightarrow 30$)

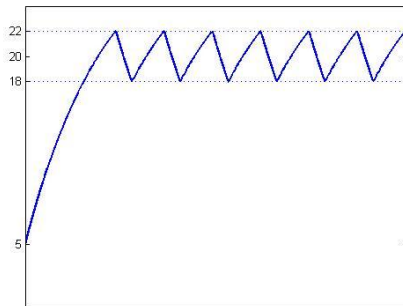
heater off: $\dot{x} = -0.2x$ ($x \rightarrow 0$)

Goal: regulate the temperature around 20°C

Strategy: turn the heater from OFF to ON as soon as $x \leq 18$
turn the heater from ON to OFF as soon as $x \geq 22$

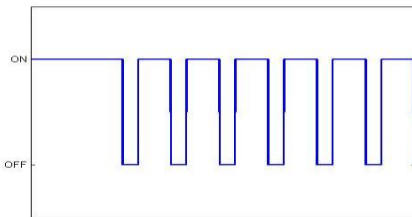


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evolution of the temperature x starting from the initial condition $x(0) = 5$ with the heater ON

“execution” or “solution” of the hybrid system



evolution of the heater status starting from the initial condition $x(0) = 5$ with the heater ON

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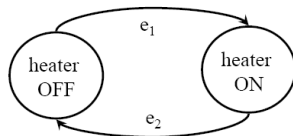
- Continuous dynamics

$$\dot{x} = -0.2x$$

$$\dot{x} = -0.2x + 6$$

linear ODEs describing the temperature evolution

- Discrete dynamics



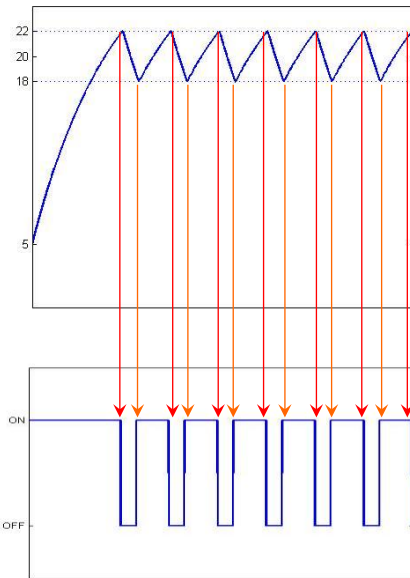
finite automaton describing the behavior of the thermostat

$$Q = \{\text{ON}, \text{OFF}\}$$

$$\text{ON} = \Phi(\text{OFF}, e_1) \quad e_1 = [x \leq 18]$$

$$\text{OFF} = \Phi(\text{ON}, e_2) \quad e_2 = [x \geq 22]$$

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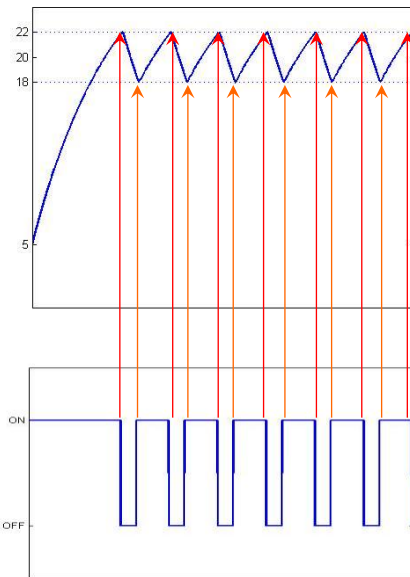
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x generates the events causing a transition
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from ON to OFF $x \geq 22$

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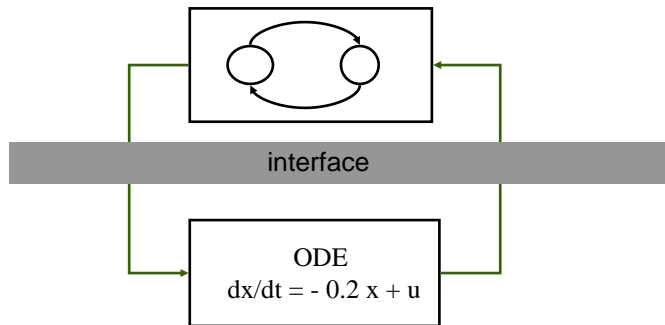
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A heater transition causes a switch in the dynamics governing x

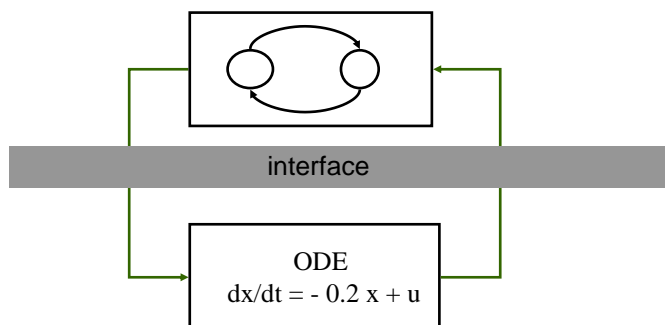
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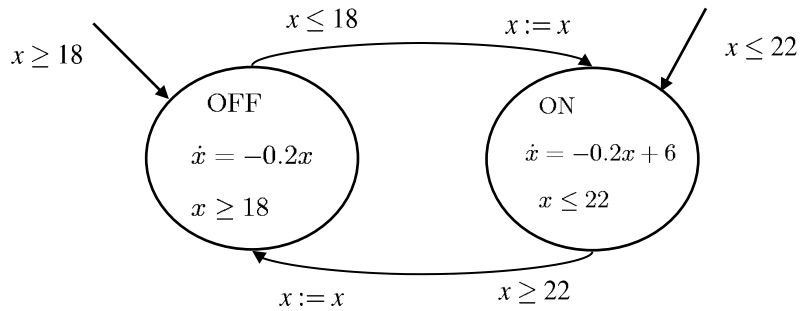
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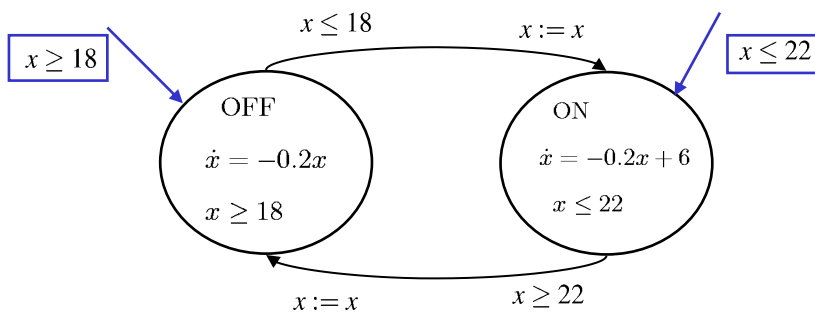
quantized control input (ON \rightarrow heating power $u = 6$
OFF \rightarrow heating power $u = 0$)

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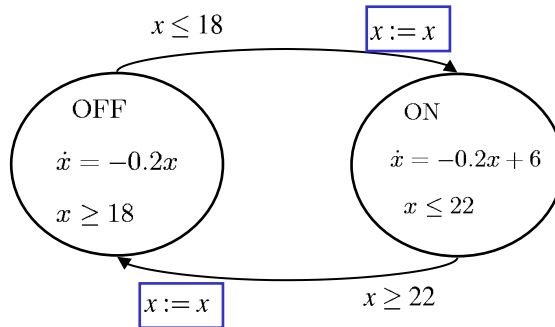
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Initialization of the system:

Init = $\{(OFF, x): x \geq 18\} \cup \{(ON, x): x \leq 22\}$

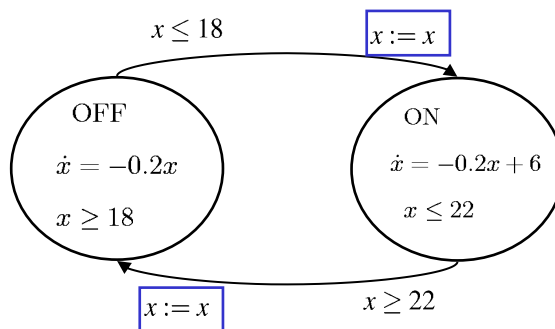
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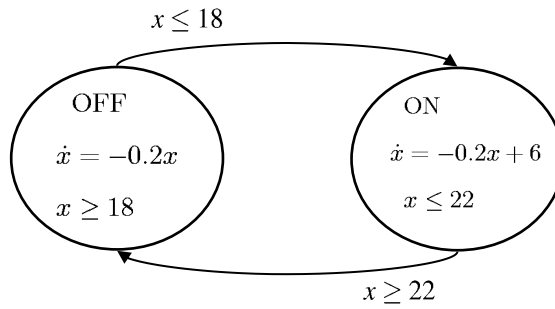
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$x : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$ piecewise continuous

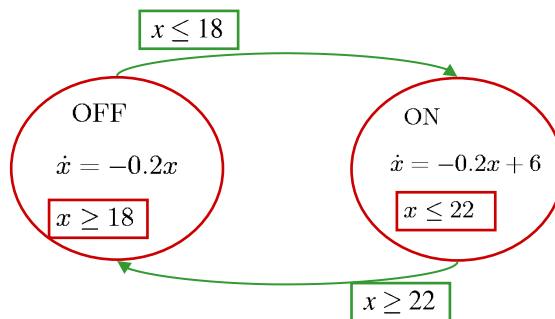
right continuous: $x(t) = x^+(t), \forall t$ $x^- : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathfrak{R} \quad x^-(t) := \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} x(t - \varepsilon)$

$x^+ : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathfrak{R} \quad x^+(t) := \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} x(t + \varepsilon)$

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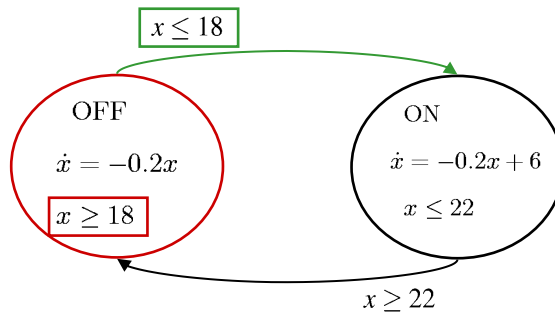
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If x exits the Domain (or "invariant set"), then a discrete transition must occur

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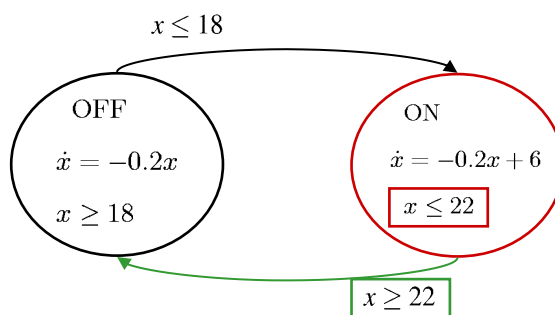
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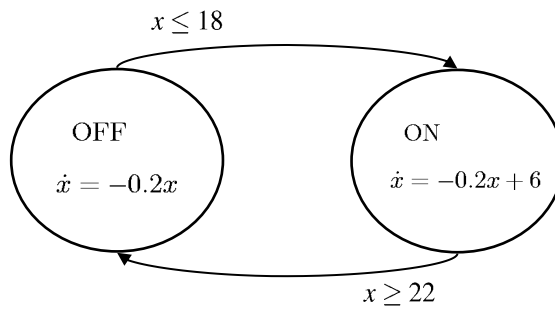
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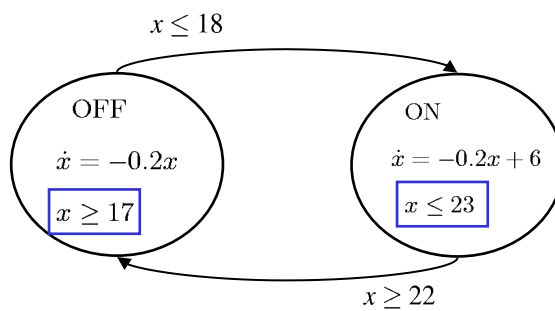
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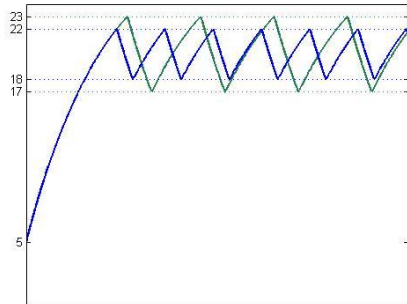
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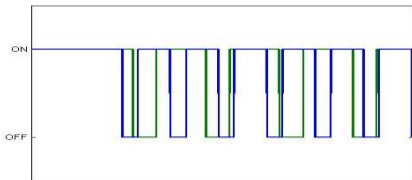
$\text{Domain}(\text{ON}) \cap \text{Guard}(\text{ON}, \text{OFF}) = (-\infty, 23] \cap [22, \infty) = [22, 23]$
→ transition from ON to OFF for $x \in [22, 23]$

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starting from the initial condition
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multiple executions starting from
an initial condition
→ Non-deterministic hybrid system



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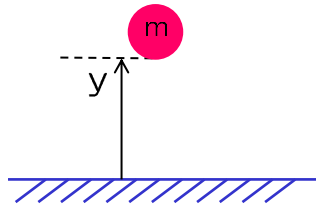
EXAMPLE: BOUNCING BALL



- 2 situations:
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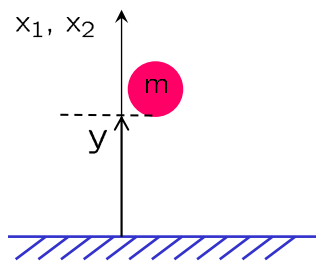
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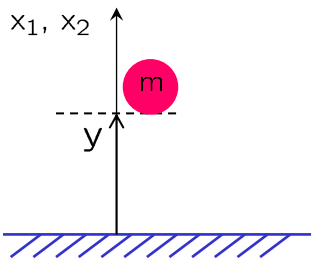


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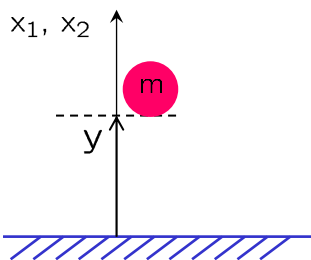
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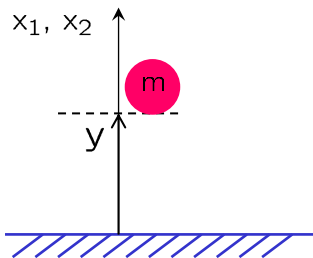
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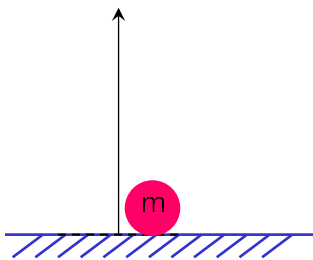
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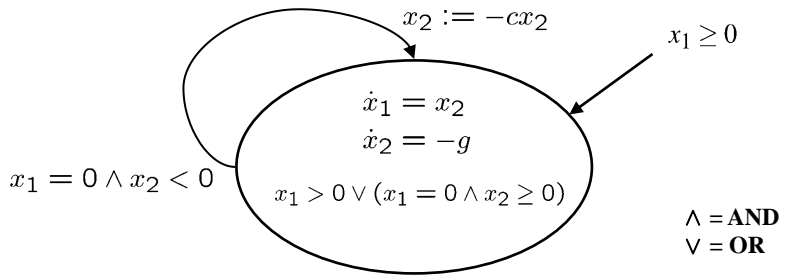
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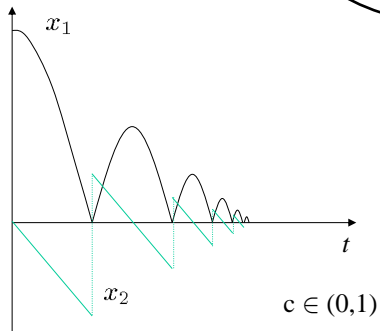
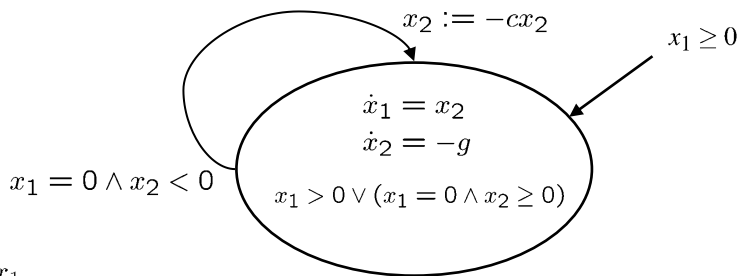
$$x_1 = 0 \text{ and } x_2 < 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_1^+(t) &= x_1^-(t) = 0 \\ x_2^+(t) &= -c x_2^-(t), c \in [0,1] \end{aligned}$$

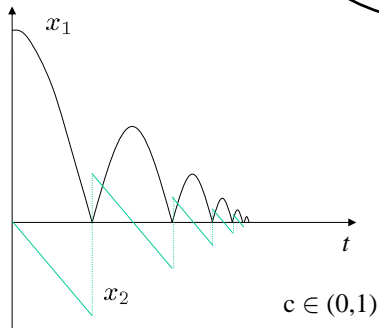
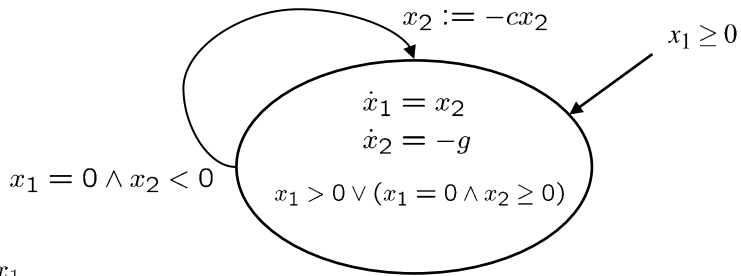
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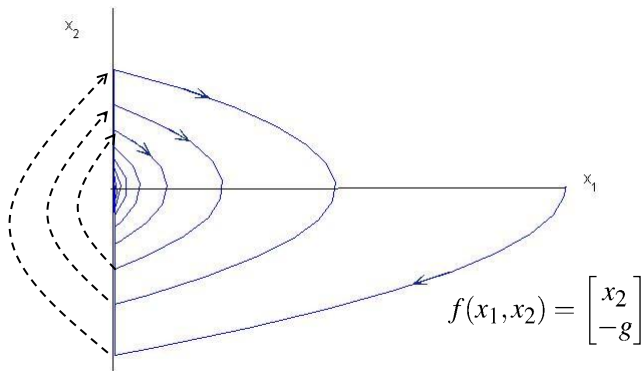
Infinite number of transitions
in finite time
→ Zeno hybrid system

(Paradox of Achilles and the turtle by Zeno of Elea born around 490 BC)

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Phase plot:

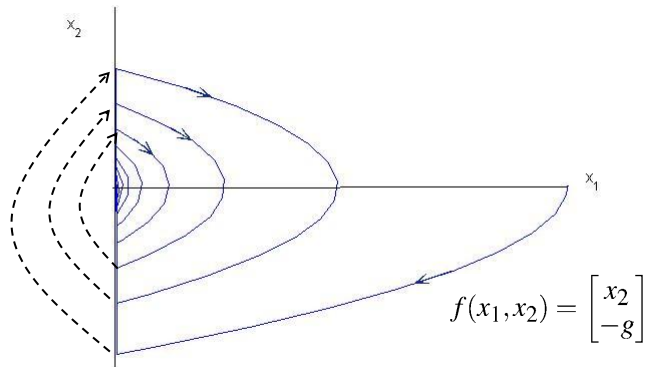
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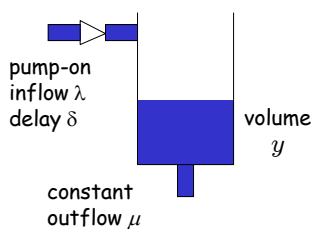
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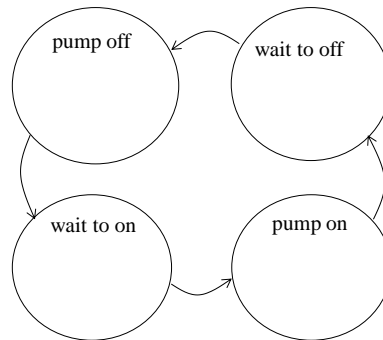
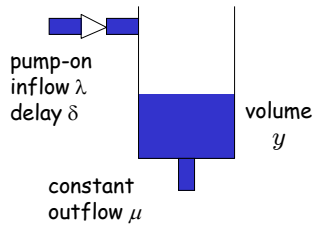
EXAMPLE: TANK SYSTEM



Goal: prevent the tank from emptying or filling up

Strategy: switch the pump on/off when the level drops below/goes beyond some threshold value

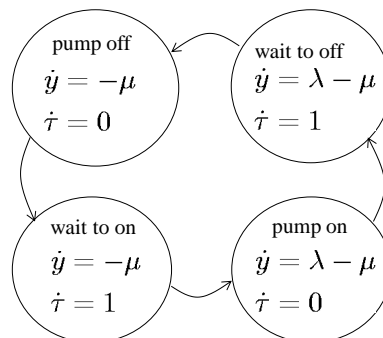
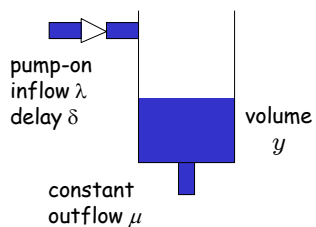
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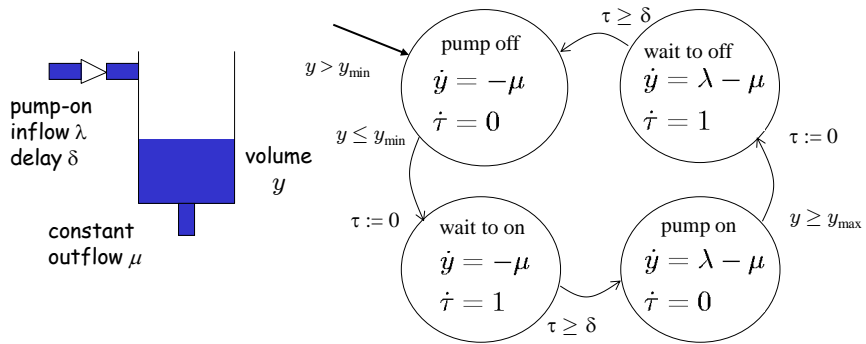
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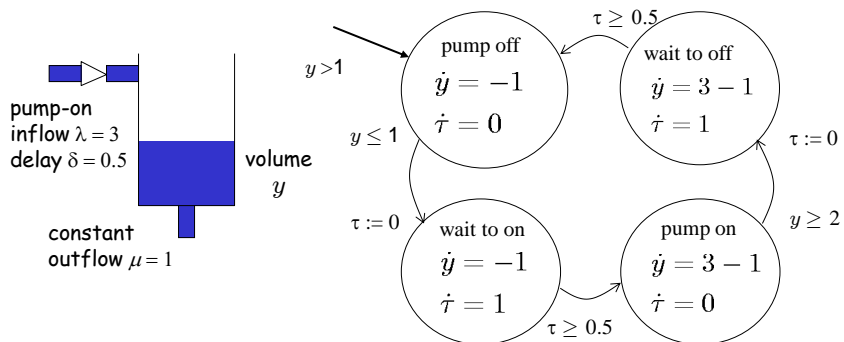
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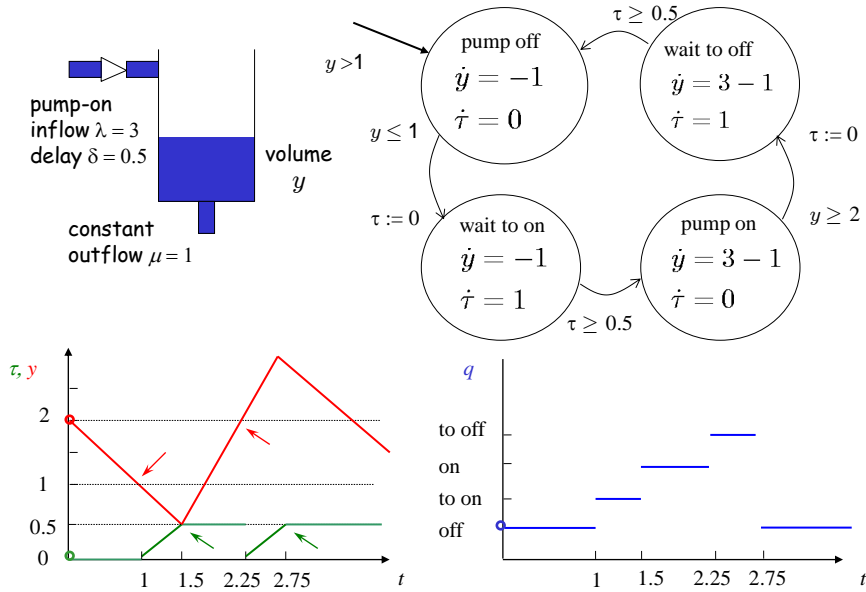
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where 2^Q denotes the power set of Q = set of all subsets of Q

$R(q, \sigma) \subset Q$ is the set of all states the system can transit to from state q under the input symbol σ

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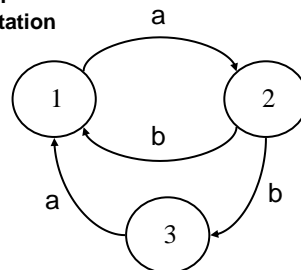
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Example: $Q = \{1, 2, 3\}$ $\Sigma = \{a, b\}$

s	σ	$R(s, \sigma)$
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1	b	\emptyset
2	a	\emptyset
2	b	{1, 3}
3	a	{1}
3	b	\emptyset

Graphical representation



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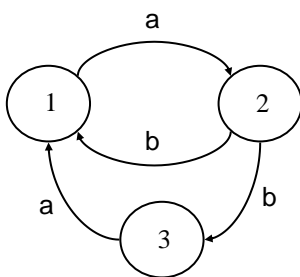
M **accepts an input sequence** $\{\sigma_0, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots\}$, with $\sigma_i \in \Sigma, \forall i \geq 0$, if there exists a sequence of states $\{s_0, s_1, s_2, \dots\}, s_i \in Q, \forall i \geq 0$, such that:

- $s_0 \in Init$
- $s_{i+1} \in R(s_i, \sigma_i) \forall i \geq 0$

$\{s_0, s_1, s_2, \dots\}$ in the definition above is called an **execution of M under the input sequence** $\{\sigma_0, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots\}$

FINITE AUTOMATA: EXECUTION

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$Init = \{1\}$

1,2,1 is an execution under input a, b

1,2,3,1,2 under input a,b,a,a

a,b,b is not accepted as an input

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A **string with alphabet Σ**

is a finite sequence of input symbols $\{\sigma_0, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots\}$ (ϵ : empty string).

Given $Init \subset Q$, the **language $L(M)$ accepted by M**

is the set of all input strings $\{\sigma_0, \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots\}$ that are accepted by M with $Init$ as initial set of states

Formal language theory: is there M that accepts a given language? Smallest M ?
Do two automata accept the same language?

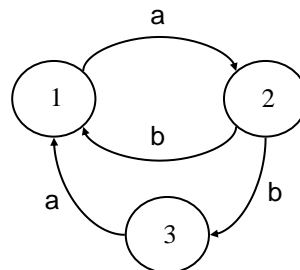
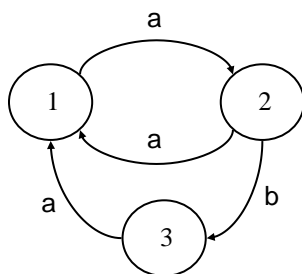
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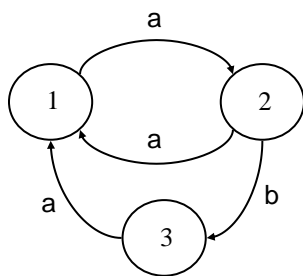
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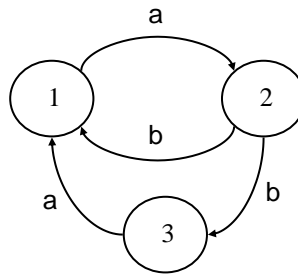
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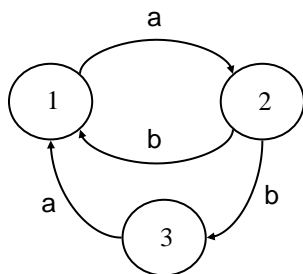


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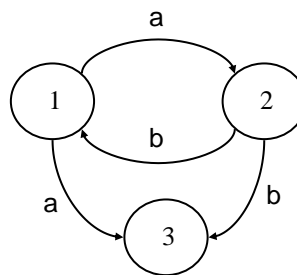
FINITE AUTOMATA: BLOCKING STATE

A finite automaton $M = (Q, \Sigma, R)$ has a blocking state $q \in Q$ if

$R(q, \sigma) = \emptyset$, for all $\sigma \in \Sigma$



no blocking state



blocking state: $q = 3$

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- $x(0) \in Init$
- x is continuous and piecewise differentiable
- $x(t) = x(0) + \int_0^t f(x(\tau)) d\tau, \forall t \in [0, T)$

If x is a solution, $dx/dt(t) = f(x(t))$ for all t for which x is differentiable

ODE SOLUTION: WELL-POSEDNESS?

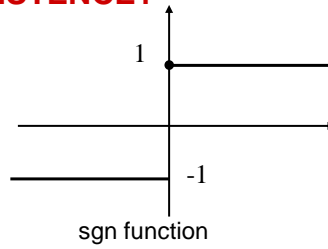
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- Existence?
 - local existence (solution exists over $[0, \delta)$)
 - non blocking
 - global existence (solution exists over $[0, \infty)$)
 - non-zero (solution can be extended over an arbitrarily long time horizon)
- Uniqueness?
 - deterministic

Both critical for simulation...

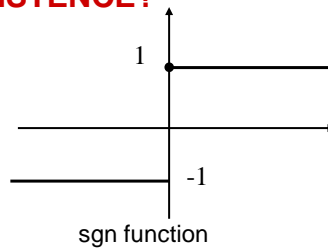
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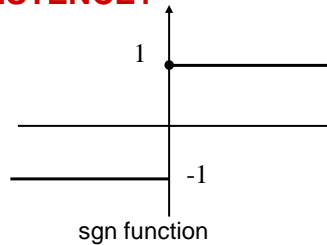
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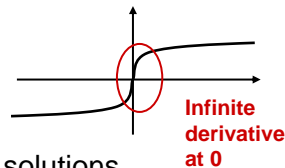
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ODE SOLUTION: UNIQUENESS?

- $\dot{x} = x^{1/3}, \quad x(0) = 0$



$x(t)=0$ and $x(t) = (2/3t)^{3/2}$ are two solutions

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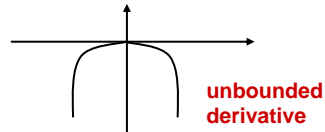
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ODE SOLUTION: GLOBAL EXISTENCE AND UNIQUENESS?

• $\dot{x} = -x^2, \quad x(0) = -1$



$x(t)=1/(t-1)$ local solution on $[0,1)$ (tends to $-\infty$ as $t \uparrow 1$)

finite escape

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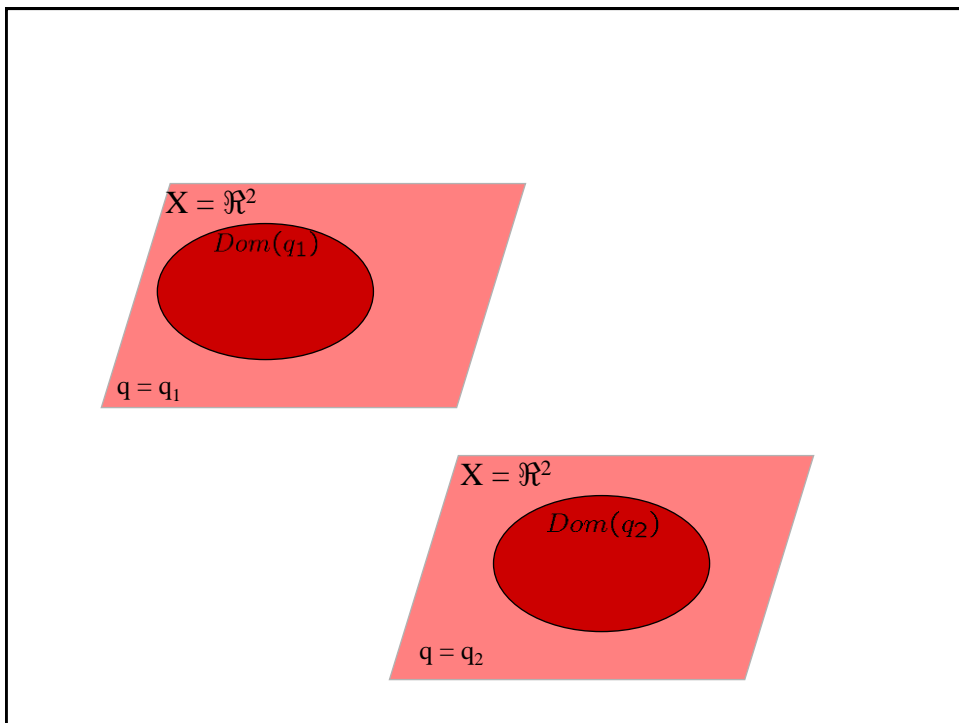
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Hybrid state space:

$$S = Q \times X \text{ (N copies of X)}$$

for each value of q , the admissible values for x are only a subset of X

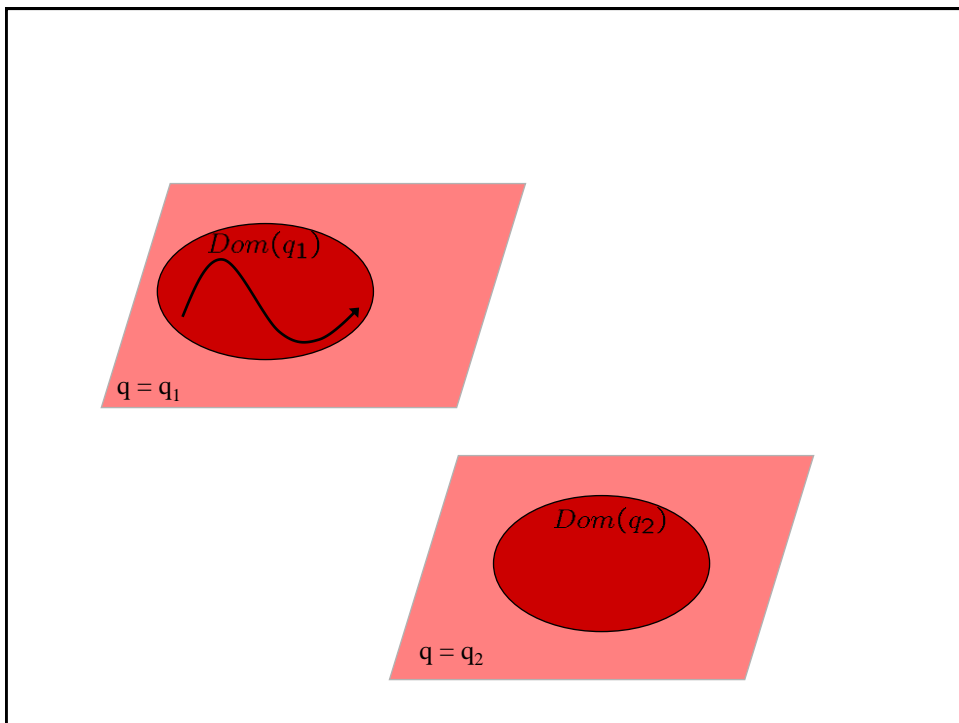
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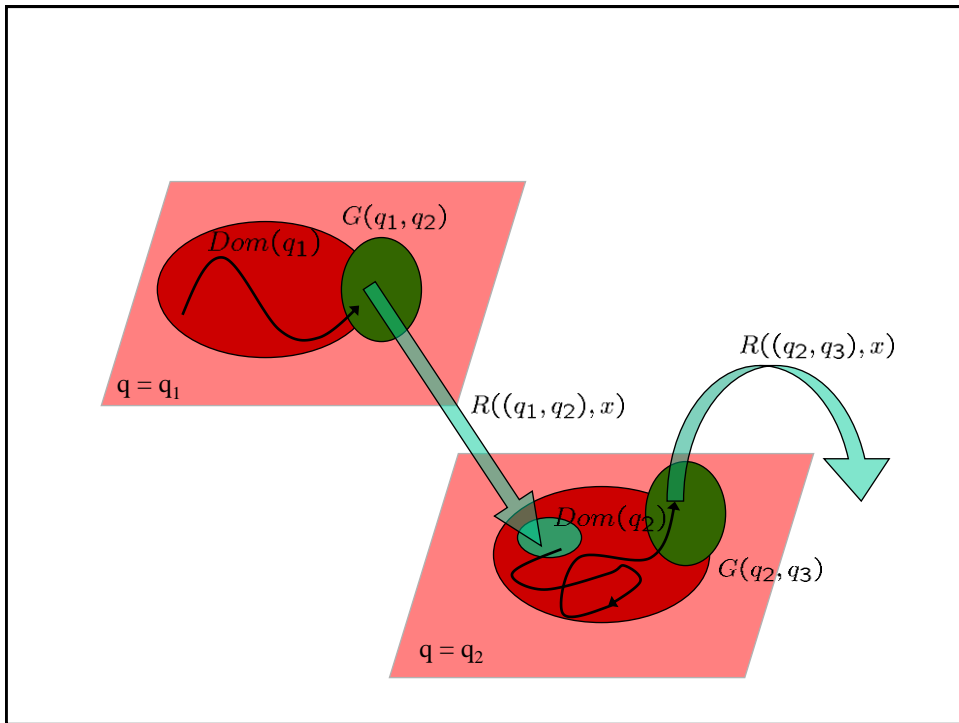
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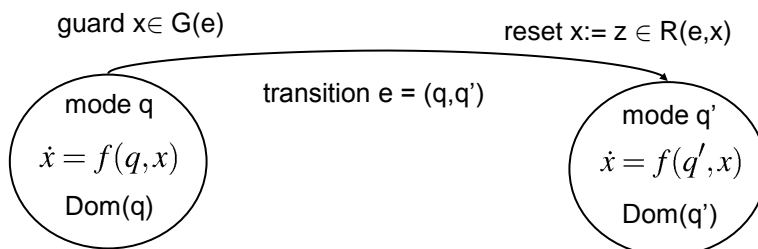
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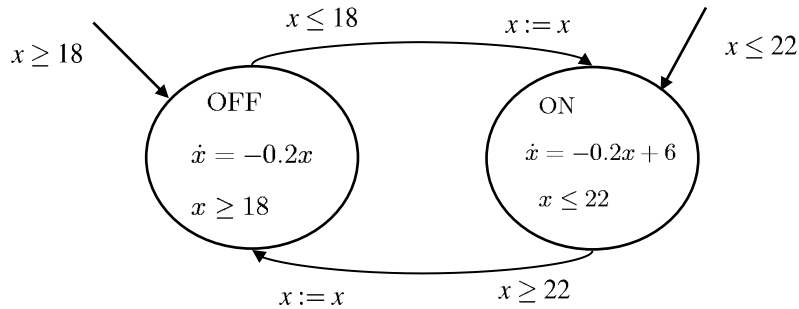
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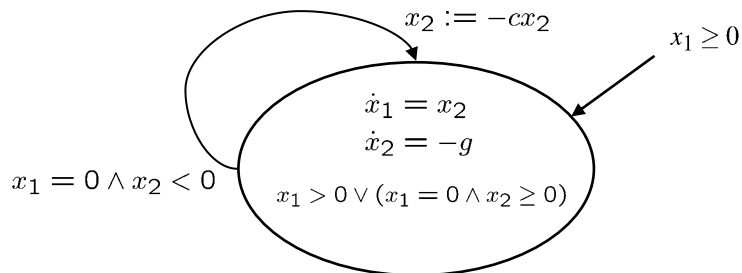


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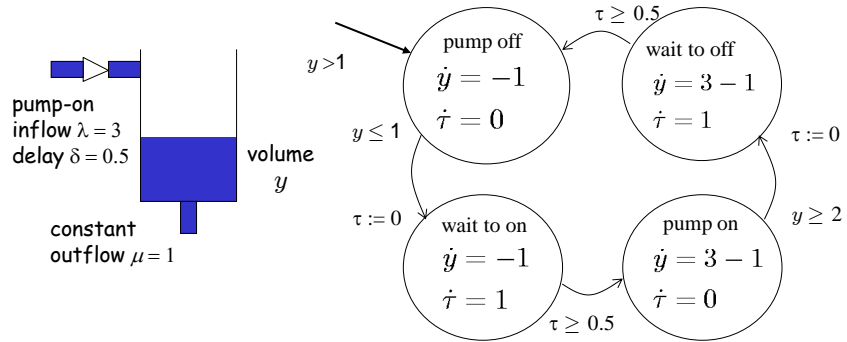
$H = (Q, X, f, Init, Dom, E, G, R)$ $Q = \{OFF, ON\}; X = \mathfrak{R};$
 $f(OFF, x) = -0.2x; f(ON, x) = -0.2x + 6$
 $Init = \{(OFF, x) : x \geq 18\} \cup \{(ON, x) : x \leq 22\}$
 $Dom(OFF) = [18, \infty); Dom(ON) = (-\infty, 22]$
 $E = \{(OFF, ON), (ON, OFF)\}$
 $G((OFF, ON)) = (-\infty, 18]; G((ON, OFF)) = [22, \infty)$
 $R(e, x) = \{x\}$ for any $e \in E$

EXAMPLE: BOUNCING BALL



$H = (Q, X, f, Init, Dom, E, G, R)$ $Q = \{fly\}; X = \mathfrak{R}^2;$
 $f(fly, x) = [x_2, -g]^T$
 $Init = \{(fly, (x_1, x_2)) : x_1 \geq 0\}$
 $Dom(fly) = \{(x_1, x_2) : x_1 > 0\} \cup \{(x_1, x_2) : x_1 = 0, x_2 \geq 0\}$
 $E = \{(fly, fly)\}$
 $G(e) = G((fly, fly)) = \{(x_1, x_2) : x_1 = 0, x_2 < 0\}$
 $R(e, (x_1, x_2)) = \{(x_1, -cx_2)\}$

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Exercise.

Hybrid automaton: execution

HYBRID AUTOMATA: EXECUTION

To define an execution of a hybrid system, we need to introduce first the notions of

- hybrid time set
- hybrid trajectory
(which includes hybrid time set among its components)

We shall see that

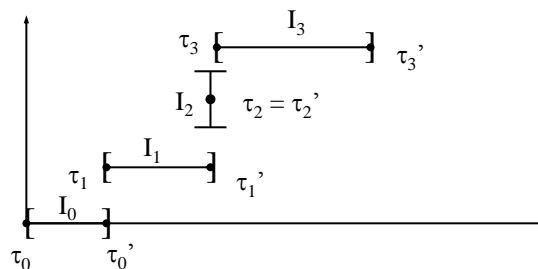
an execution of a hybrid automaton H is a hybrid trajectory that is “consistent” with the definition of H

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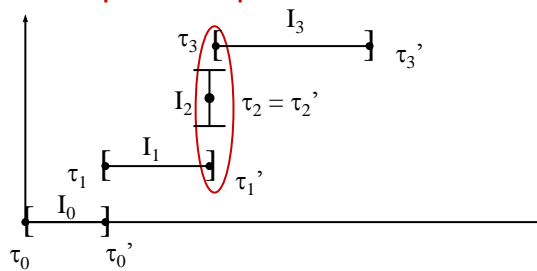


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- $\tau_i' = \tau_{i+1}$ consecutive intervals, without gaps
- $\tau_i \leq \tau_i'$ intervals can be degenerate to represent multiple transitions at the same time



HYBRID TIME SET

A **hybrid time set** is a finite or infinite sequence of intervals

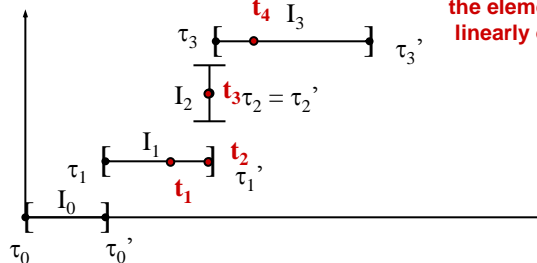
$\tau = \{I_i, i=0,1,\dots, M\}$ such that

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$t_1 \prec t_2$: "t₁ precedes t₂"

$t_1 \prec t_2 \prec t_3 \prec t_4$

the elements of τ are linearly ordered



HYBRID TIME SET: LENGTH

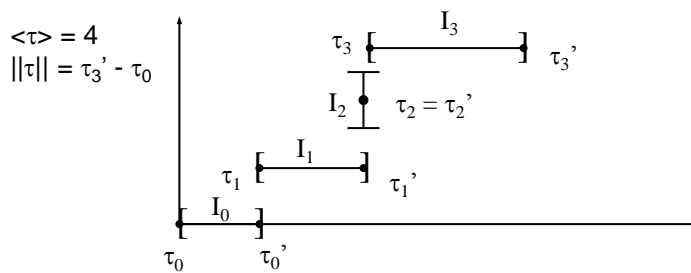
Two notions of length for a hybrid time set $\tau = \{I_i, i=0, 1, \dots, M\}$:

- Discrete extent:

$$\langle \tau \rangle = M+1 \quad \text{number of discrete transitions}$$

- Continuous extent:

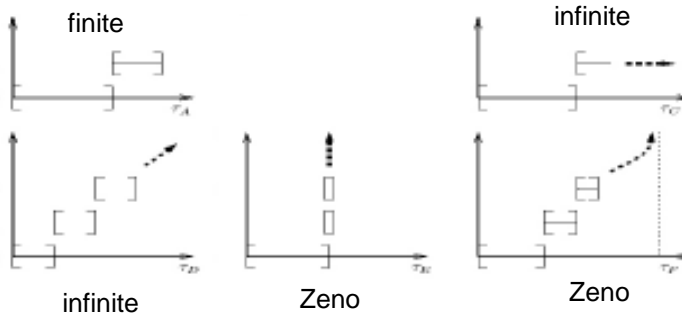
$$\|\tau\| = \sum_{i=0,1,\dots,M} |\tau_i' - \tau_i| \quad \text{total duration of intervals in } \tau$$



HYBRID TIME SET: CLASSIFICATION

A hybrid time set $\tau = \{I_i, i=0, 1, \dots, M\}$ is

- Finite: if $\langle \tau \rangle$ is finite and $I_M = [\tau_M, \tau_M']$
- Infinite: if $\langle \tau \rangle$ is infinite or $\|\tau\|$ is infinite
- Zeno: if $\langle \tau \rangle$ is infinite but $\|\tau\|$ is finite



HYBRID TRAJECTORY

A **hybrid trajectory** is a triple (τ, q, x) that consists of:

- A hybrid time set $\tau = \{I_i, i=0,1,\dots, M\}$
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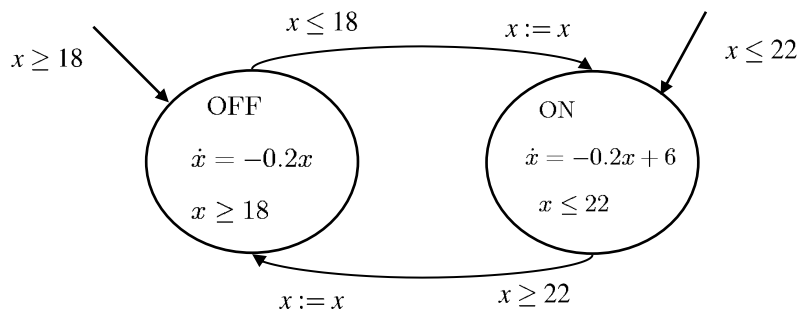
- mixture of the two notions of continuous and discrete evolution
- the hybrid signals x and q can take multiple values at the same time instant

HYBRID AUTOMATA: EXECUTION

A hybrid trajectory (τ, q, x) is an **execution (solution)** of the **hybrid automaton** $H = (Q, X, f, Init, Dom, E, G, R)$ if it satisfies the following conditions:

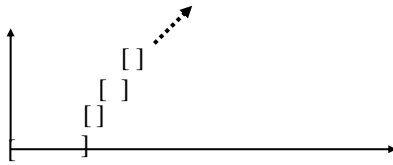
- **Initial condition:** $(q_0(\tau_0), x_0(\tau_0)) \in Init$
- **Continuous evolution:**
for all i such that $\tau_i < \tau_i'$
 - $q_i: I_i \rightarrow Q$ is constant
 - $x_i: I_i \rightarrow X$ is the solution to the ODE associated with $q_i(\tau_i)$
 - $x_i(t) \in Dom(q_i(\tau_i)), t \in [\tau_i, \tau_i')$
- **Discrete evolution:**
 - $(q_i(\tau_i'), q_{i+1}(\tau_{i+1})) \in E$ transition is feasible
 - $x_i(\tau_i') \in G(q_i(\tau_i'), q_{i+1}(\tau_{i+1}))$ guard condition satisfied
 - $x_{i+1}(\tau_{i+1}) \in R((q_i(\tau_i'), q_{i+1}(\tau_{i+1})), x_i(\tau_i'))$ reset condition satisfied

EXAMPLE: THERMOSTAT

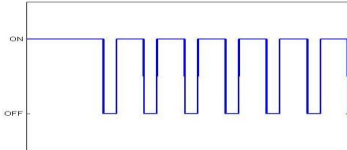


$H = (Q, X, f, Init, Dom, E, G, R)$ $Q = \{OFF, ON\}; X = \mathfrak{R};$
 $f(OFF, x) = -0.2x; f(ON, x) = -0.2x + 6$
 $Init = \{(OFF, x) : x \geq 18\} \cup \{(ON, x) : x \leq 22\}$
 $Dom(OFF) = [18, \infty); Dom(ON) = (-\infty, 22]$
 $E = \{(OFF, ON), (ON, OFF)\}$
 $G((OFF, ON)) = (-\infty, 18]; G((ON, OFF)) = [22, \infty)$
 $R(e, x) = \{x\}$ for any $e \in E$

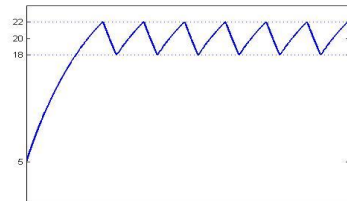
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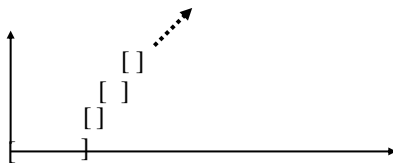


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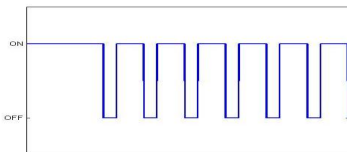
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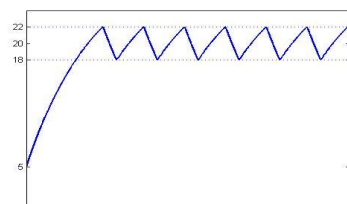


execution **accepted** by the thermostat hybrid automaton

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Problems due the hybrid nature!!!

- Zeno
- chattering
- blocking
- nondeterministic

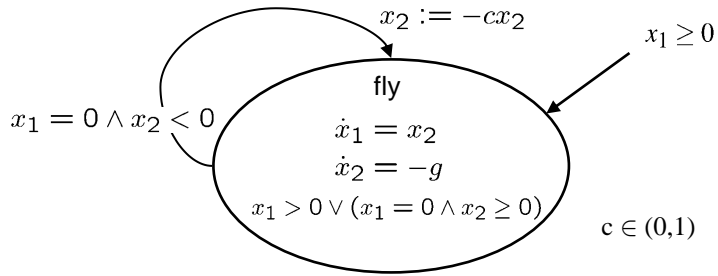
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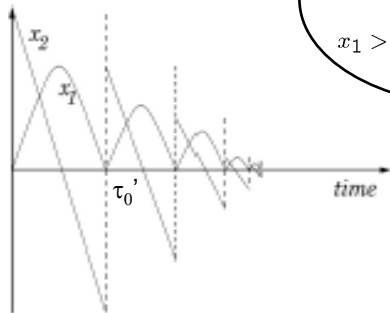
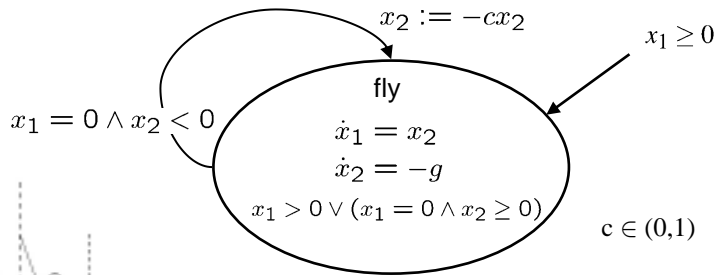
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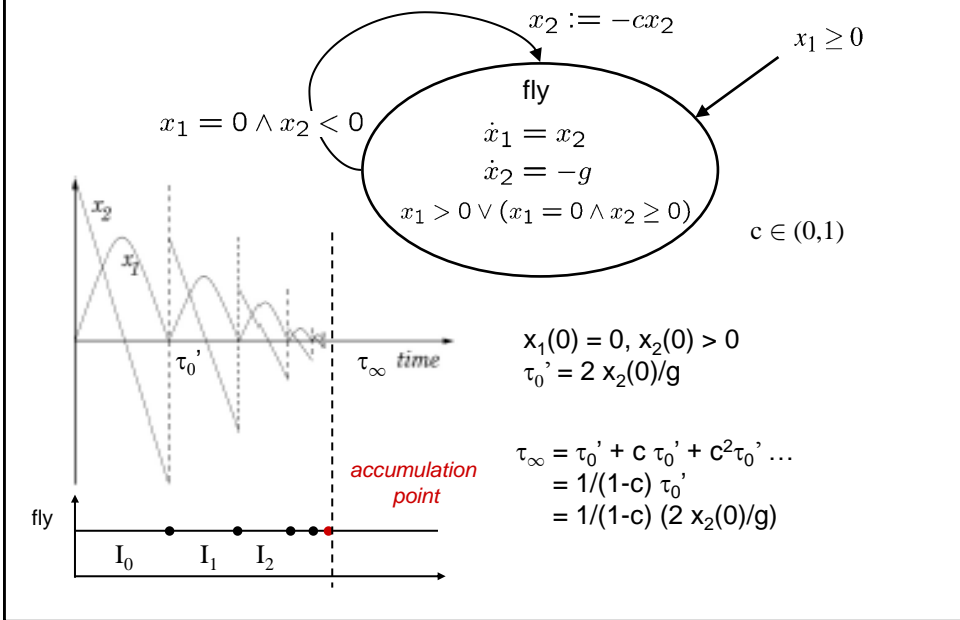


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$x_1(0) = 0, x_2(0) > 0$
 $\tau_0' = 2 x_2(0)/g$

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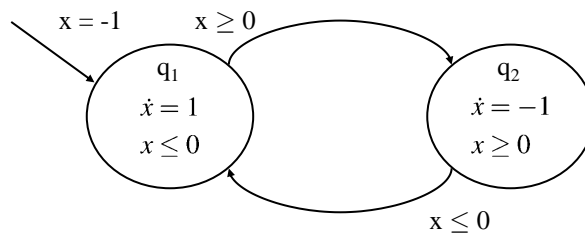
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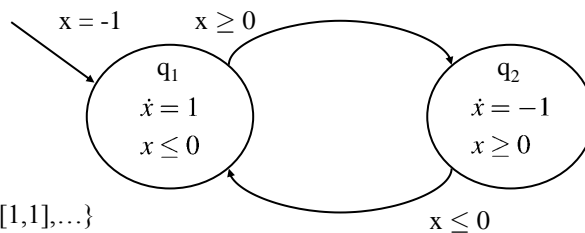


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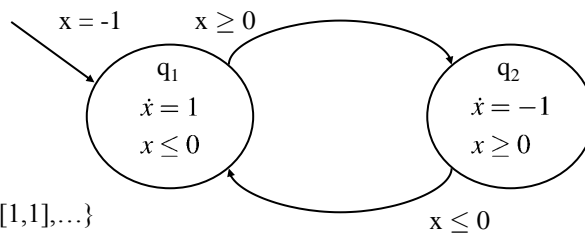
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same problem of the sign function,
can be solved by using a different
notion of solution to ODE

ZENO HYBRID AUTOMATA

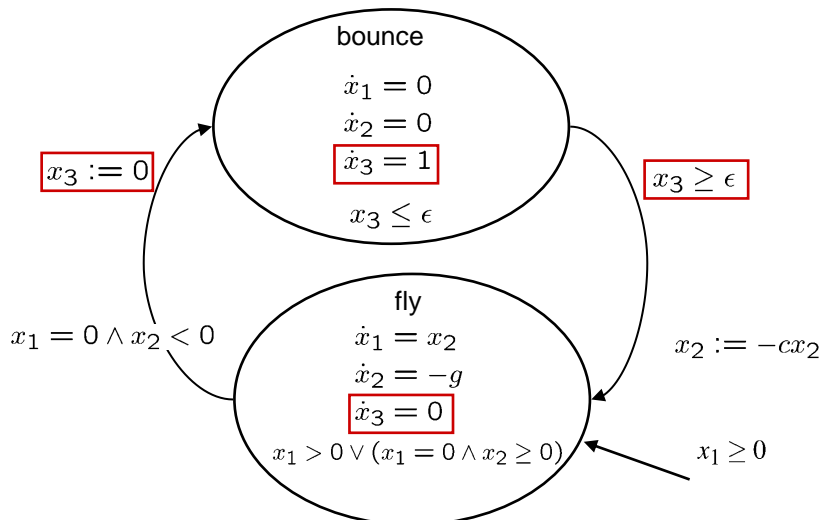
A **hybrid automaton** is **Zeno** if it accepts some Zeno execution

- difficult to simulate and analyse
- regularization methods to eliminate Zeno behavior

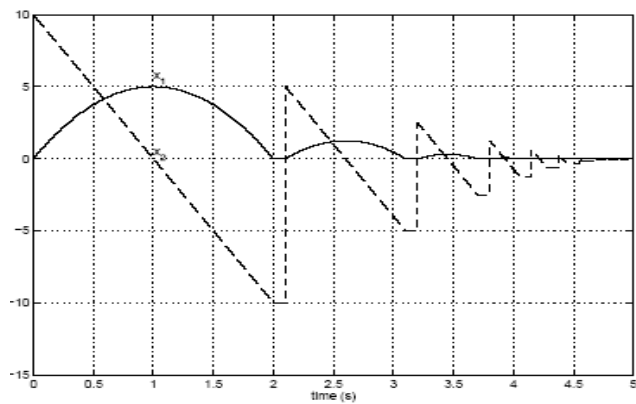
TEMPORAL REGULARIZATION: BOUNCING BALL

- each bounce takes $\epsilon > 0$ time units
- an infinite number of discrete transitions cannot occur in finite time

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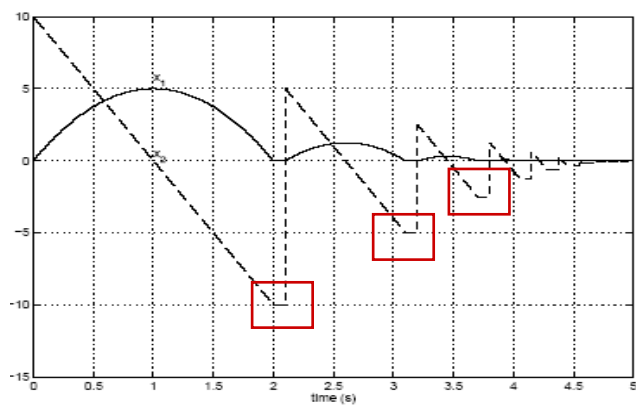


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Executions get extended beyond the Zeno time τ_∞

In the limit, as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$, the execution of the regularized hybrid automaton converges to

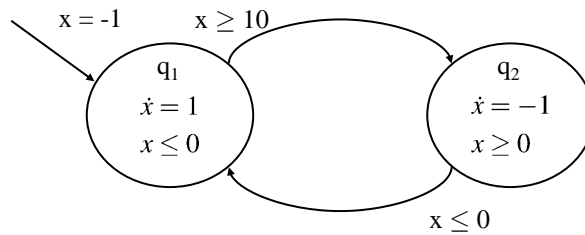
- the Zeno execution for $t < \tau_\infty$
- $x_1(t) = x_2(t) = 0$ for $t \geq \tau_\infty$

HYBRID AUTOMATA: BLOCKING vs. NON-BLOCKING

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The execution starting from $(q_1, -1)$ gets stuck at $x = 0$ after 1 time unit

→ blocking hybrid automaton

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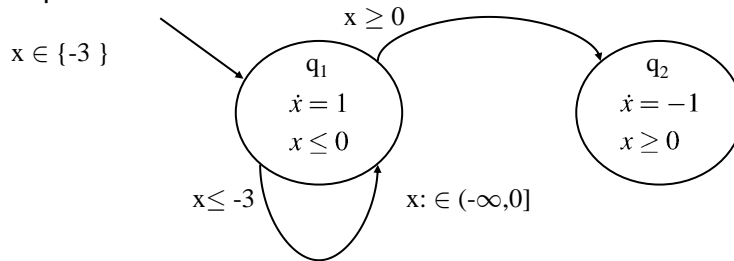
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Multiple infinite executions starting from $(q_1, -3) \rightarrow$ non blocking

NON-BLOCKING HYBRID AUTOMATA

Given a hybrid automaton $H = (Q, X, f, Init, Dom, E, G, R)$, **transition states** are those states from which continuous evolution is impossible:

$Trans := \{(q', x') \in Q \times X : \forall \delta > 0, \exists t \in [0, \delta) \text{ such that } x(t) \notin Dom(q')\}$

where $x(t)$ is the solution of $dx/dt = f(q', x)$ with $x(0) = x'$

A hybrid automaton is non-blocking if:

1. $f(q, \cdot)$ is Lipschitz for each $q \in Q$
2. for each $(q, x) \in Trans$, there exists q' such that $(q, q') \in E$ and $x \in G(q, q')$

(a discrete transition should be possible from the Trans states)

Remark: not a necessary condition, since transition states are not necessarily reached from the initial states

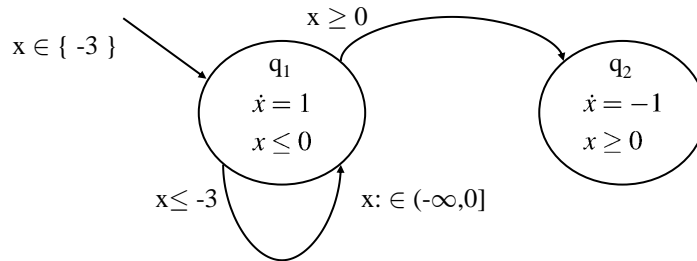
NON-BLOCKING HYBRID AUTOMATA

$\{(q_2, x) : x \leq 0\} \subseteq \text{Trans}$

trivial for $x < 0$ (already outside $\text{Dom}(q_2)$),

for $x = 0$ it would exit the domain

No discrete transition possible from q_2



Still... non blocking!

HYBRID AUTOMATA: DETERMINISTIC vs. NONDETERMINISTIC

An execution is maximal if “it cannot be extended any further”

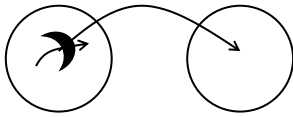
A hybrid automaton is **deterministic** if for each initial state $(q, x) \in \text{Init}$ there exists **at most one maximal execution** starting at (q, x) .

Remarks:

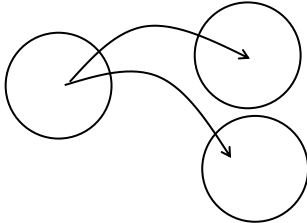
1. infinite executions are maximal.
2. to make the notion of maximal execution precise, we should introduce the notion of prefix and a partial order on the hybrid time sets and on the set of executions of a hybrid automaton (see the Notes by John Lygeros)

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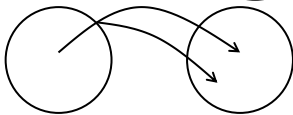
What causes non-determinism?



choice between continuous evolution and discrete jump



jump to multiple modes



multiple reset positions

DETERMINISTIC HYBRID AUTOMATA

A hybrid automaton is deterministic if

1. If $x \in G(q, q')$ for some $(q, q') \in E$, then $(q, x) \in \text{Trans}$
(jump only when continuous evolution not possible)
2. If $(q, q'), (q, q'') \in E$, then $G(q, q') \cap G(q, q'') = \emptyset$
(no multiple jumps possible)
3. If $(q, q') \in E$ and $x \in G(q, q')$, then $R((q, q'), x)$ is a singleton
(only one reset position when jumping)

EXISTENCE AND UNIQUENESS OF EXECUTIONS

A hybrid automaton has a **unique infinite execution** for each **initial state** if it is **non-blocking** and **deterministic**.

Sufficient condition given by the putting together the sufficient conditions for the hybrid automaton to be non-blocking and deterministic

HYBRID AUTOMATA: FORMAL DEFINITION

A hybrid automaton H is a collection

$$H = (Q, X, f, \text{Init}, \text{Dom}, E, G, R)$$

- $Q = \{q_1, q_2, \dots\}$ is a **set of discrete states** (modes)
- $X = \mathbb{R}^n$ is the **continuous state space**
- $f: Q \times X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a **set of vector fields** on X
- $\text{Init} \subseteq Q \times X$ is a **set of initial states**
- $\text{Dom}: Q \rightarrow 2^X$ assigns to each $q \in Q$ a **domain** $\text{Dom}(q)$ of X
- $E \subseteq Q \times Q$ is a **set of transitions** (edges)
- $G: E \rightarrow 2^X$ is a **set of guards** (guard condition)
- $R: E \times X \rightarrow 2^X$ is a **set of reset maps**

No input and output variables....

OPEN HYBRID AUTOMATA

An open hybrid automaton H is a collection

$$H = (Q, X, V, W, f, h, Init, Dom, E, G, R)$$

- $Q = \{q_1, q_2, \dots\}$ is a set of discrete states (modes)
- $X = \mathbb{R}^n$ is the continuous state space
- $V = \Sigma \times U$ is the input space (discrete & continuous)
- $W = \Psi \times Y$ is the output space (discrete & continuous)
- $f: Q \times X \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a set of vector fields on X
- $h: Q \times X \rightarrow W$ is an output map
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- $Dom: Q \rightarrow 2^{X \times V}$ assigns to each $q \in Q$ a domain $Dom(q)$ of $X \times V$
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