

# Invariant-Based Verification and Synthesis for Hybrid Systems

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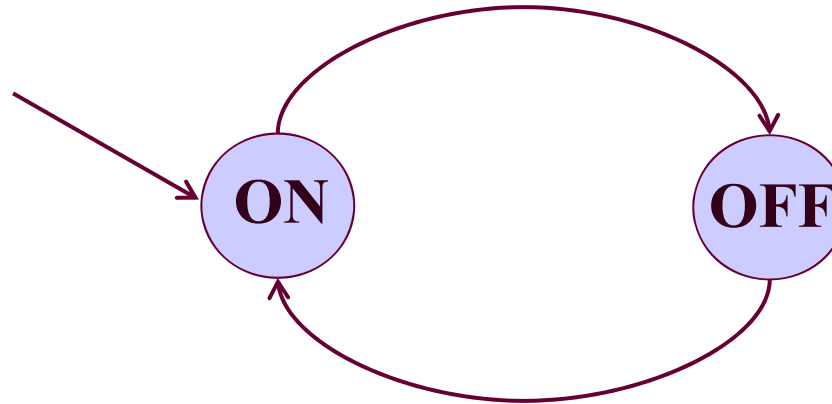


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# Classification of Dynamical Systems

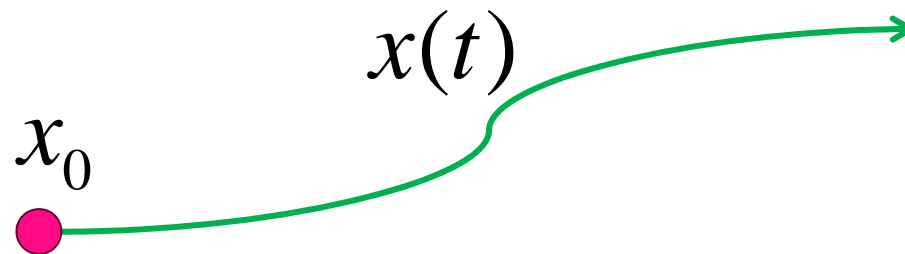


## ➤ Discrete



## ➤ Continuous

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x)$$





## ➤ Continuous + Discrete

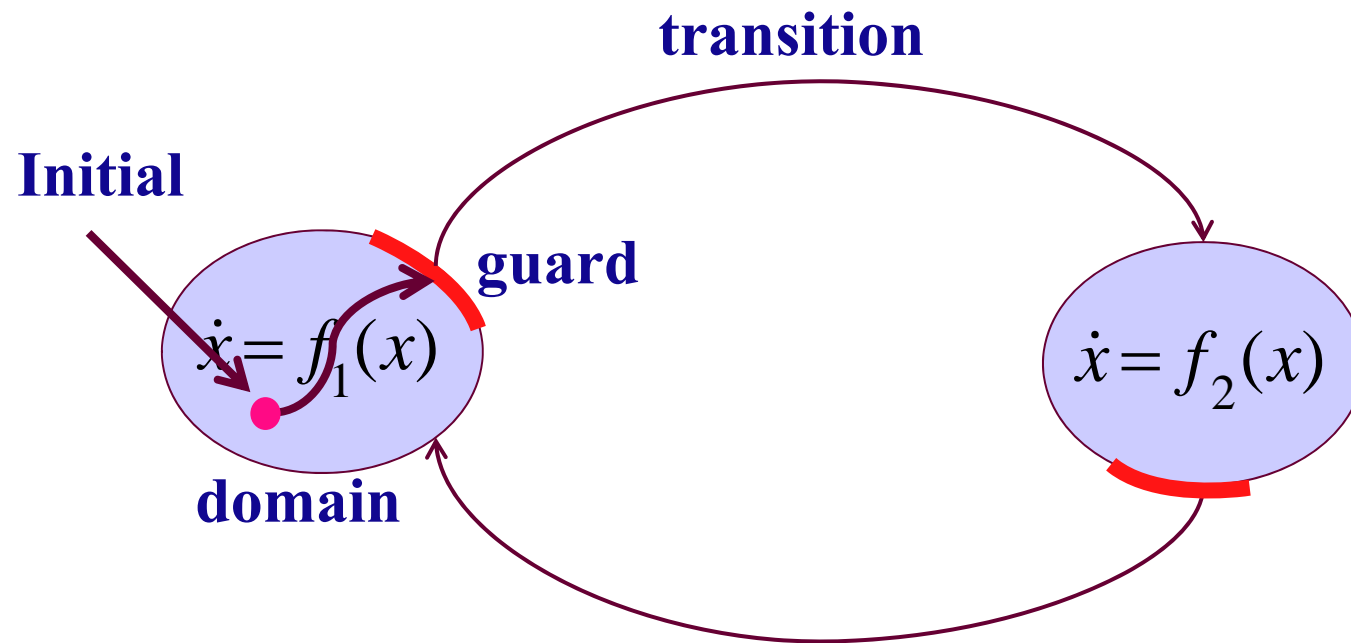


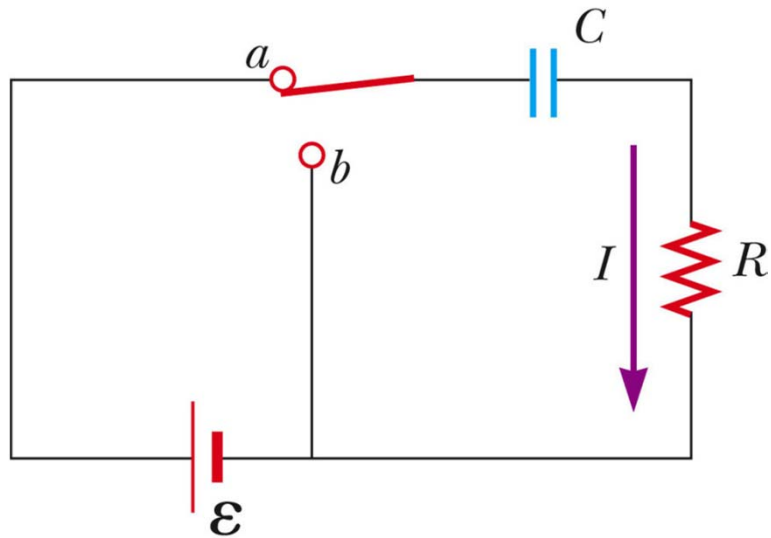
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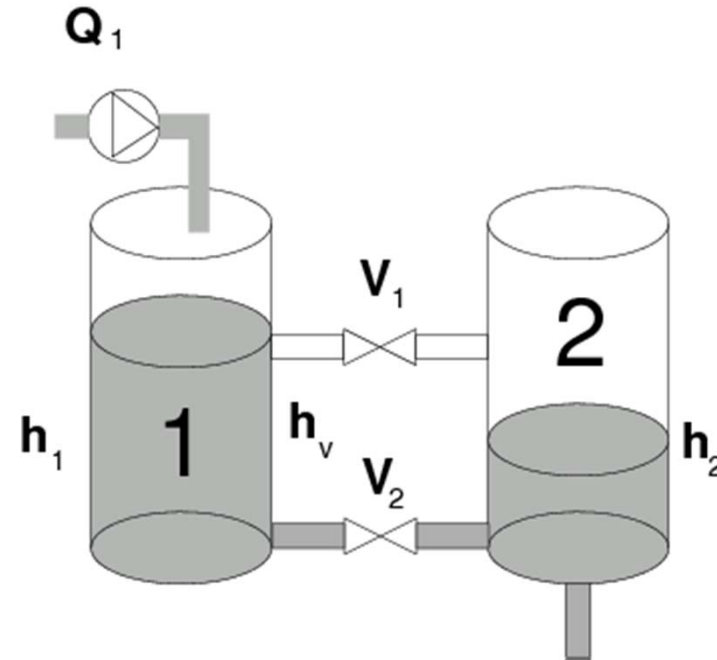
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# Hybrid Automata





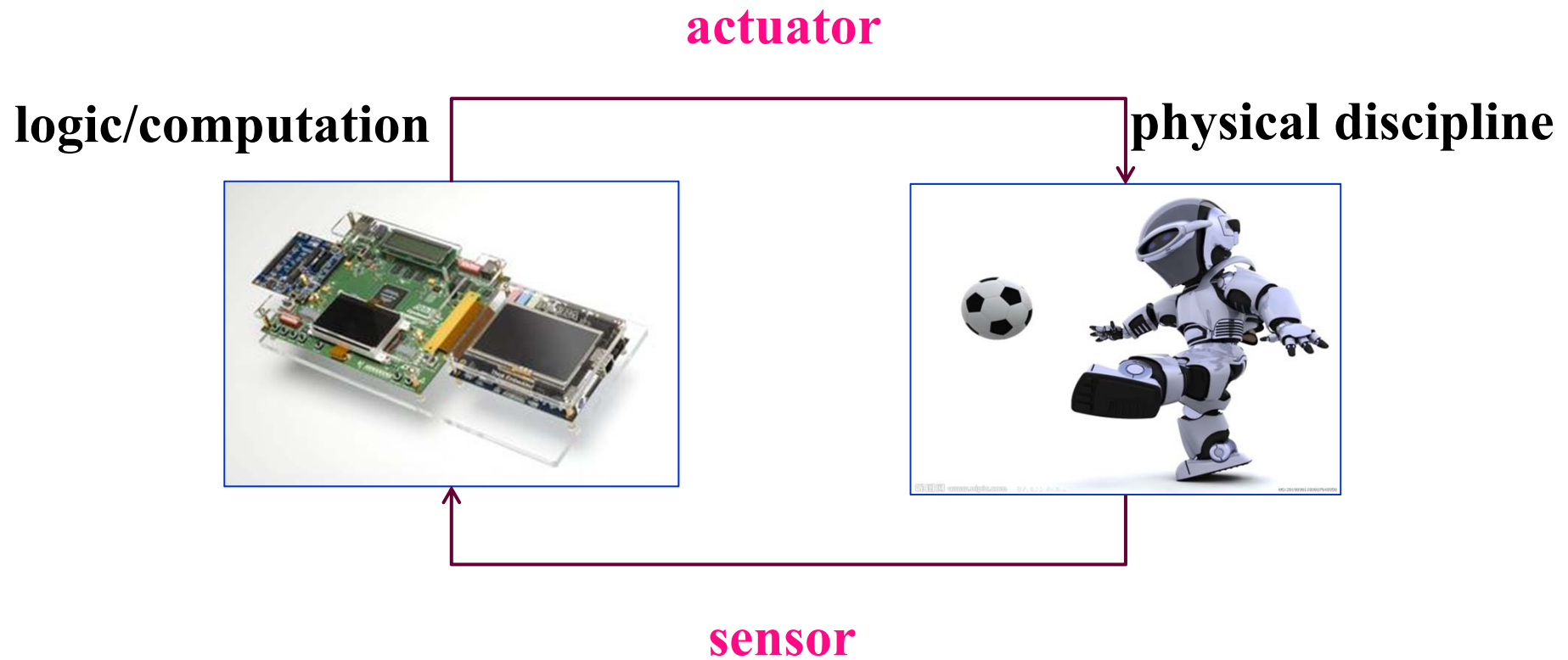
**Electrical Circuits**



**Chemical Process**

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# Embedded Control Systems





# Safety Critical Systems





➤ **Develop formal methods** for enhancing the **trustworthiness** of safety critical embedded systems

⊗ **Problems: Verification and Design**

⊗ **System Requirements: mainly safety**

⊗ **Techniques: symbolic/rigorous computation**



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## ➤ Program

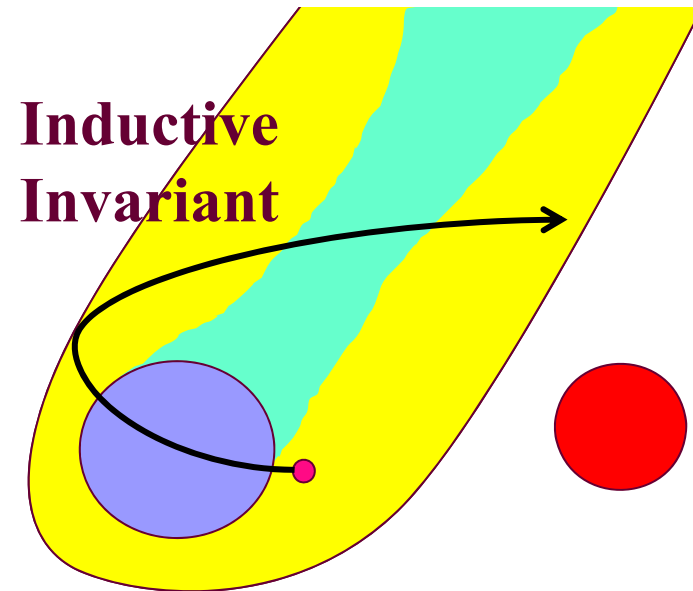
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x:=1;  
while (x<=10000000000)  
{ x:=x+1; }  
x≤0
```

## ➤ Inductive Invariant

- ⊗  $x=1 \rightarrow x \geq 1$
- ⊗  $x \geq 1 \rightarrow x+1 \geq 1$
- ⊗  $x \geq 1 \rightarrow \neg(x \leq 0)$

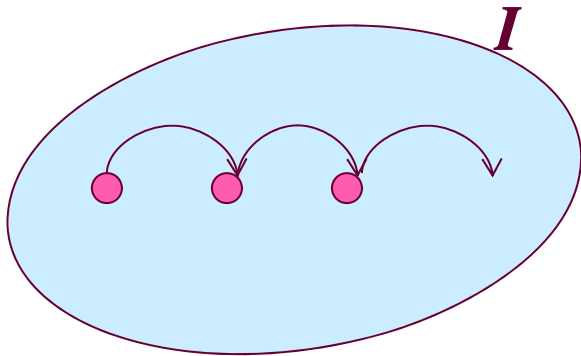
## ➤ Continuous system

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x)$$





## ➤ Discrete



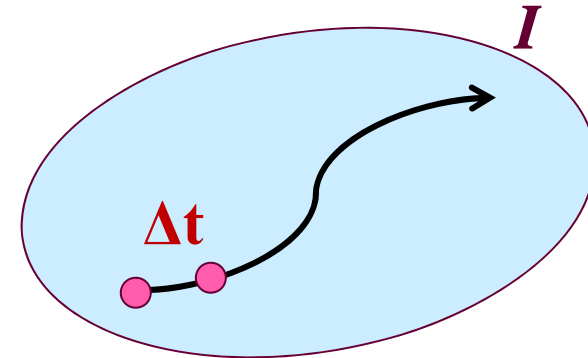
## ➤ Inductiveness

$$x_k \in I \rightarrow x_{k+1} \in I$$

## ➤ Transition relation

$$x_{k+1} = \varphi(x_k)$$

## ➤ Continuous



## ➤ Inductiveness

$$x(t) \in I \rightarrow x(t + \Delta t) \in I$$

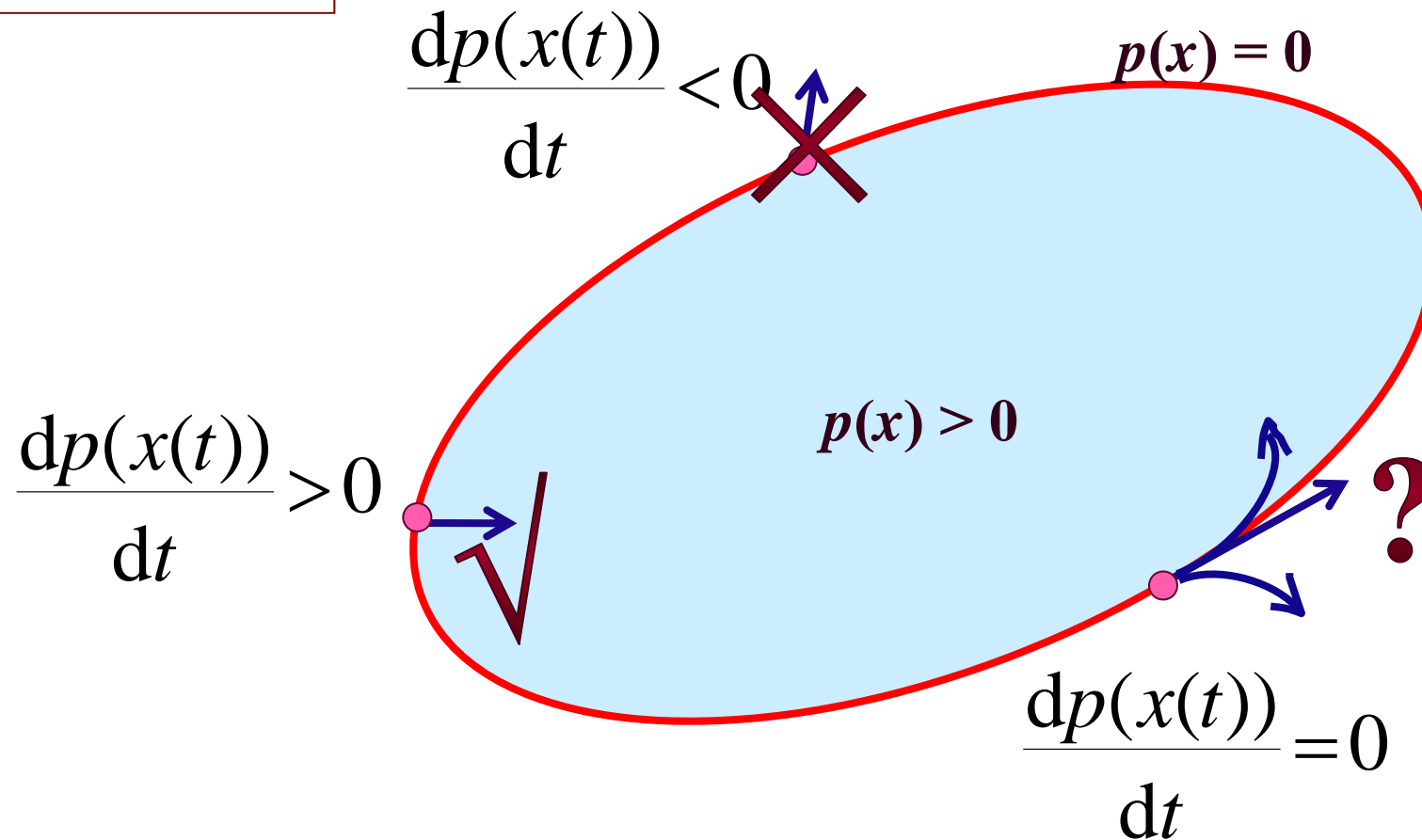
## ➤ Transition relation

$$x(t + \Delta t) = x(t) + x'(t) \cdot \Delta t$$

# Lie Derivatives and Invariant



$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x)$$



# Higher-Order Lie Derivatives



$\frac{d^1 p}{dt^1} > 0$

$\vee \frac{d^1 p}{dt^1} = 0 \wedge \frac{d^2 p}{dt^2} > 0$

$\vee \frac{d^1 p}{dt^1} = 0 \wedge \frac{d^2 p}{dt^2} = 0 \wedge \frac{d^3 p}{dt^3} > 0$

$\vee \frac{d^1 p}{dt^1} = 0 \wedge \frac{d^2 p}{dt^2} = 0 \wedge \frac{d^3 p}{dt^3} = 0 \wedge \dots ?$

$p(x) > 0$

$p(x) = 0$

$\frac{dp(x(t))}{dt} = 0$

# Criterion for Invariant



- $f(x)$  and  $p(x)$  are **polynomials**
- Compute an upper bound  $N$  s.t.
- $p(x) \geq 0$  is an **inductive invariant** of  $\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x)$

**iff**

$$p=0 \Rightarrow \left( \begin{array}{l} \frac{d^1 p}{dt^1} > 0 \vee \\ \frac{d^1 p}{dt^1} = 0 \wedge \frac{d^2 p}{dt^2} > 0 \vee \\ \dots \dots \vee \\ \frac{d^1 p}{dt^1} = 0 \wedge \frac{d^2 p}{dt^2} = 0 \wedge \dots \wedge \frac{d^N p}{dt^N} \geq 0 \end{array} \right)$$



# Main Result



## ➤ Semi-algebraic set

$$: \bigvee_{i=1}^I \bigwedge_{j=1}^{J_i} p_{ij}(\mathbf{x}) \triangleright 0, \quad \triangleright \in \{\geq, >\}$$

## ➤ First-order theory of real numbers is decidable

### ⊗ Quantifier Elimination

Checking whether a semi-algebraic set is an inductive invariant of a polynomial continuous dynamical systems is decidable

# Parametric Case



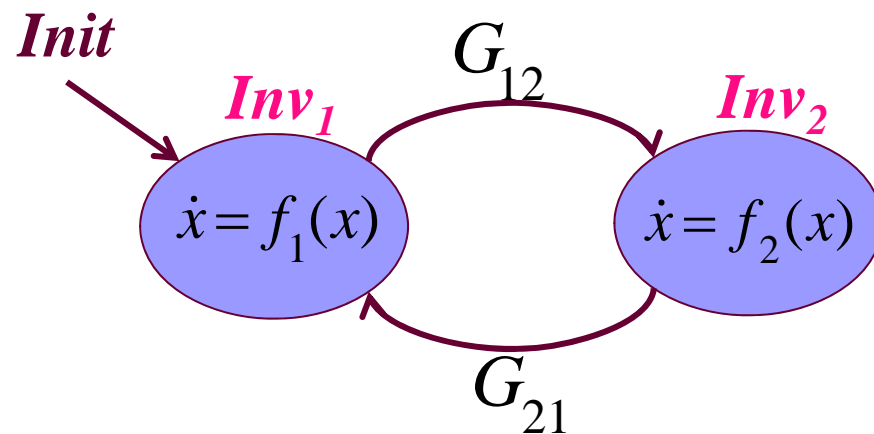
- **Parametric polynomials**  $p(u, x)$
- $p(u, x) \geq 0$  is an **inductive invariant** of  $\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x)$   
iff  $u$  satisfies

$$p(u, x) = 0 \Rightarrow \left( \frac{d^1 p}{dt^1} > 0 \vee \right.$$

**Use parametric polynomials and quantifier elimination (or other computation techniques) to automatically discovering inductive invariants**

$$\left. \frac{d^1 p}{dt^1} = 0 \wedge \frac{d^2 p}{dt^2} = 0 \wedge \dots \wedge \frac{d^N p}{dt^N} \geq 0 \right)$$

# Inductive Invariant of HSs



$$Init \Rightarrow Inv_1$$

$$Inv_1, Inv_2$$

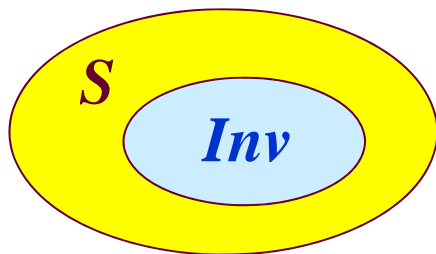
$$Inv_1 \wedge G_{12} \Rightarrow Inv_2$$

$$Inv_2 \wedge G_{21} \Rightarrow Inv_1$$

# Safety Verification

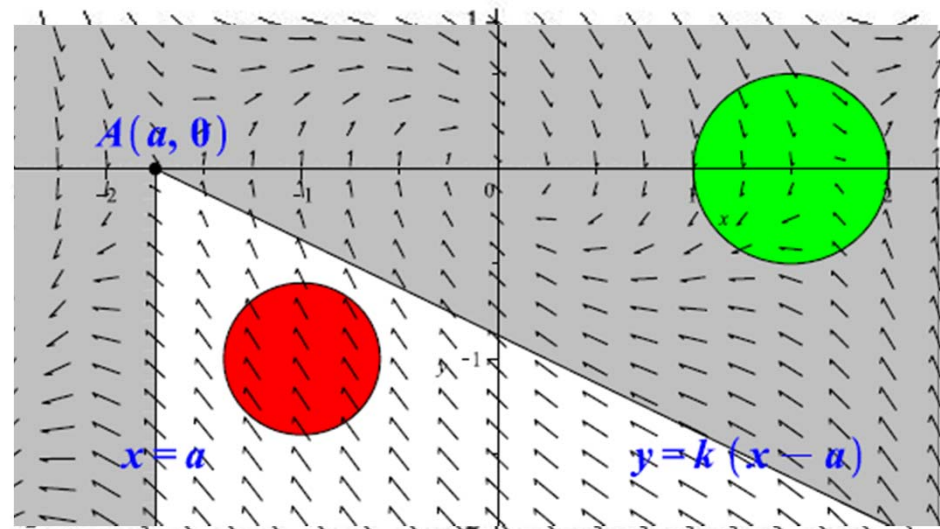


- Try to generate an **invariant** that implies the **safety** property



- **Example**

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y \\ -x + \frac{x^3}{3} - y \end{pmatrix}$$



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# Problem Description

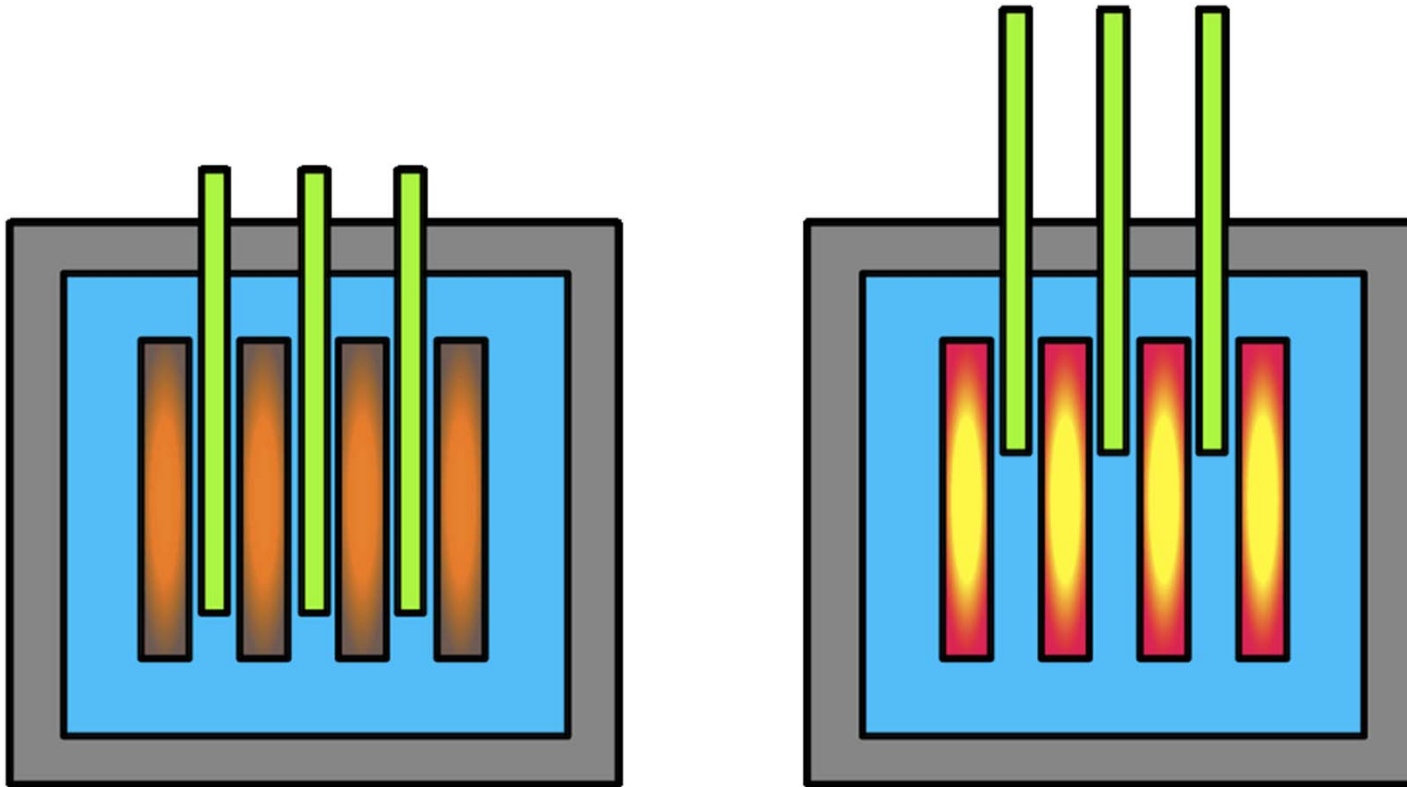


➤ Given an **initial specification** of a hybrid system and a **safety requirement**, construct a **refined** hybrid system such that the safety requirement is satisfied

⊗ **domains**

⊗ **guards**

# Nuclear Reactor

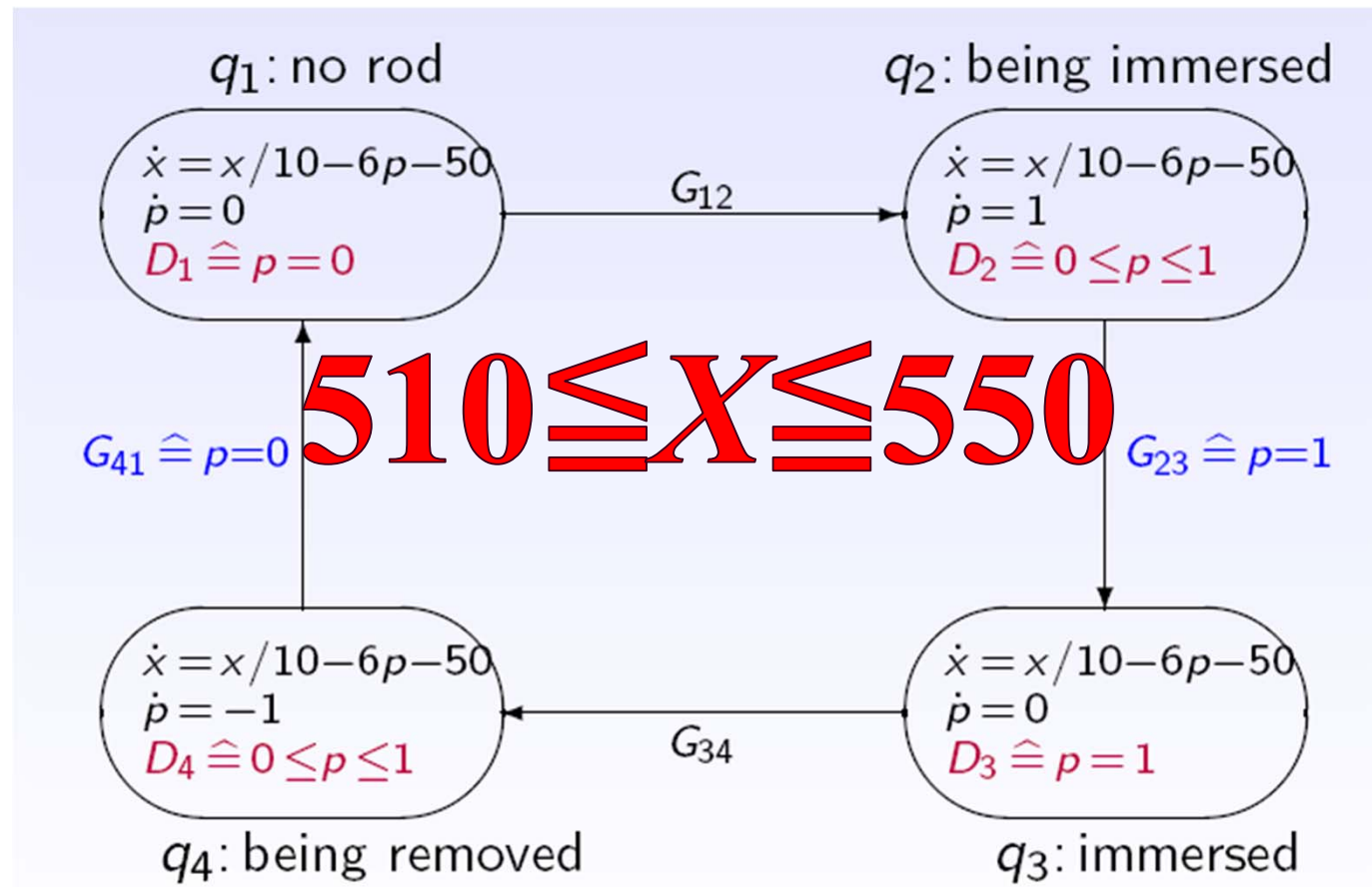


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# Hybrid Automata Model



- **x**: temperature of the reactor
- **p**: fraction of the rod immersed into the reactor

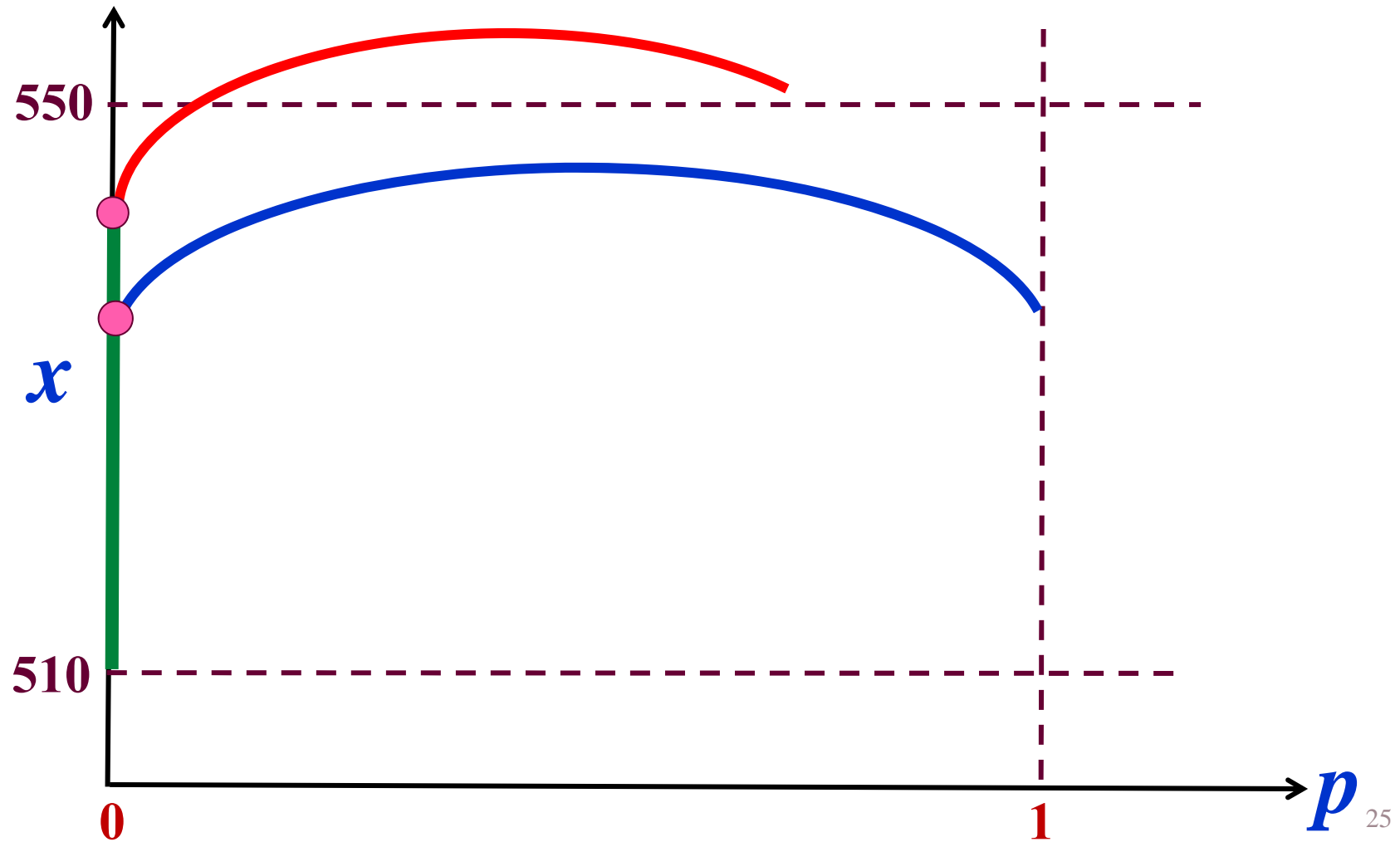




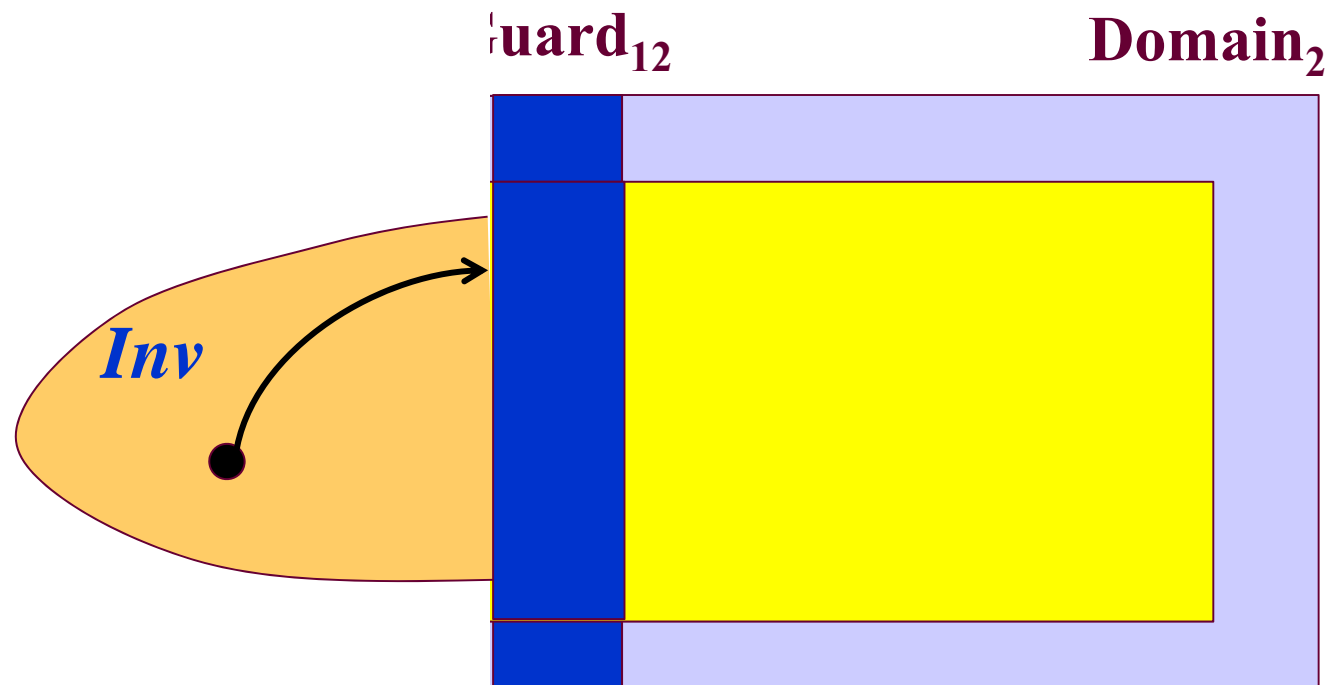
# Violation of Safety



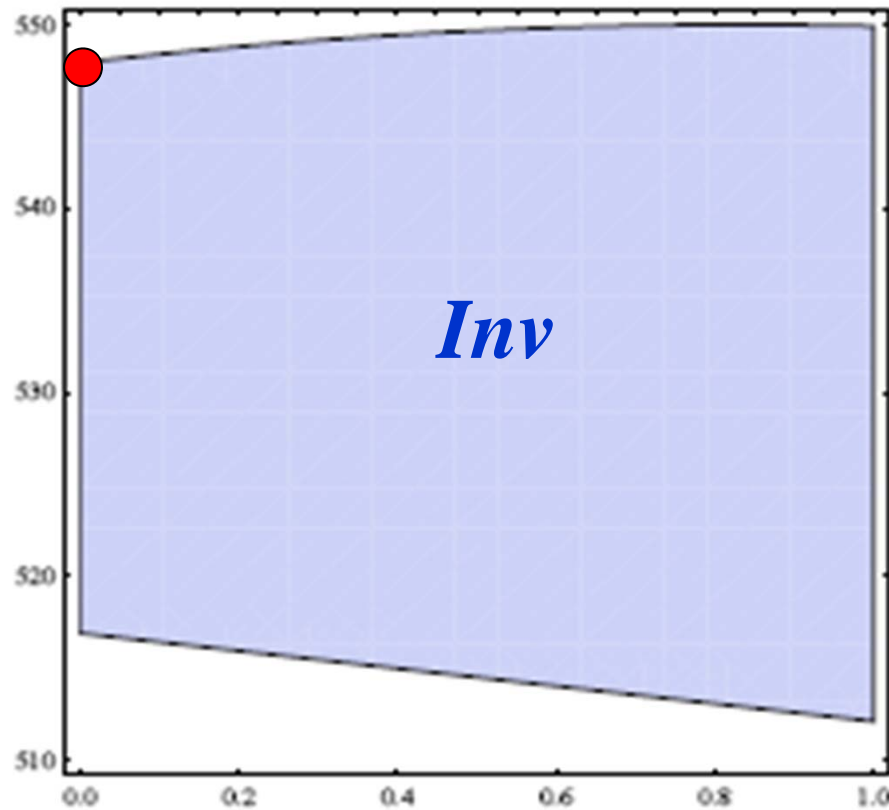
➤  $510 \leq x \leq 550$



# Invariant for Refinement



# Result



$$x \leq \frac{6575}{12} \approx 547.92$$

# Optimization



- Further refine the hybrid system according to certain **optimization criteria**
- **polynomial objective function + semi-algebraic feasible region**
  - ⊗ **Symbolic optimization**

$$c_3 = \inf_{u_3} \sup_{u_2} \min_{u_1} g_3(u_1, u_2, u_3) \text{ over } D_3(u_1, u_2, u_3) \Rightarrow \Rightarrow$$

$$\exists u_3. ((\exists u_1 u_2. D_3) \wedge \forall u_2. (\exists u_1. D_3 \Rightarrow \exists u_1. (D_3 \wedge g_3 \leq z))) \Leftrightarrow z \triangleright c_3$$

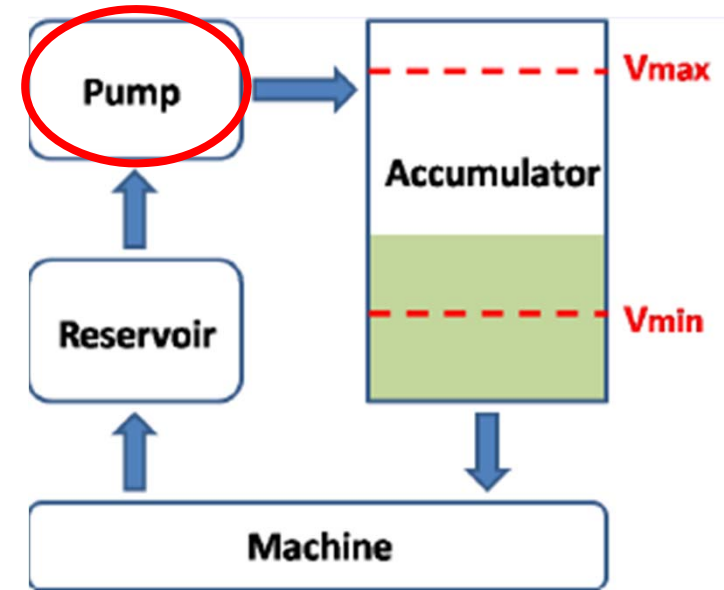


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  - ⊗ **Oil pump**
  - ⊗ **Lunar lander**
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# Oil Pump Switching



- First studied in [Cassez et al. HSCC09, 45% improvement]
- Provided by the German company **HYDAC**
- Determine the **time points** to switch the pump **on/off** s.t.



⊗ **Safety:**  $v(t) \in [V_{\min}, V_{\max}]$ ,  $\forall t \in [0, \infty)$

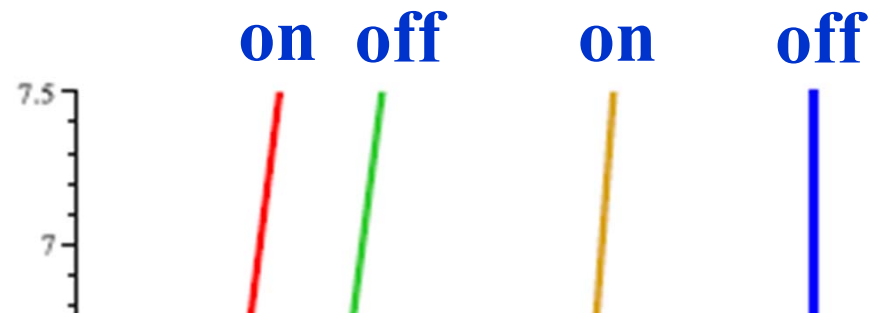
⊗ **Optimality:**

**minimize**  $\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{t=0}^T v(t) dt$

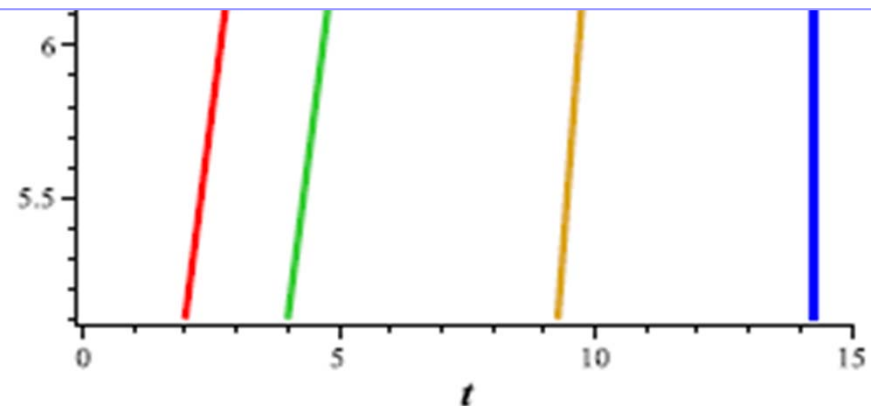
# Synthesized Switching Controller



➤  $v_0$  is the initial volume of oil

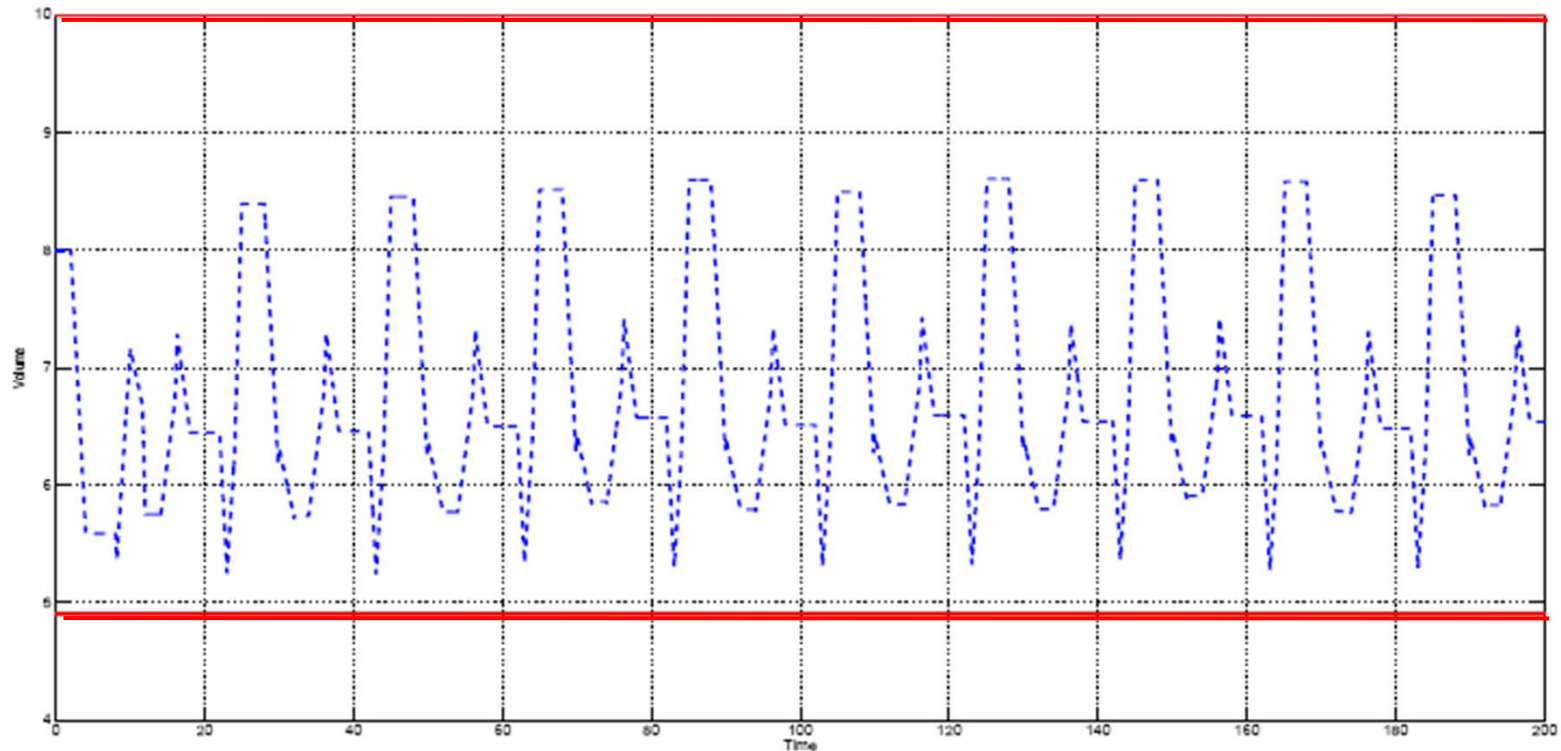


$$t_1 = \frac{10v_0 - 25}{13} \wedge t_2 = \frac{10v_0 + 1}{13} \wedge t_3 = \frac{10v_0 + 153}{22} \wedge t_4 = \frac{157}{11}$$





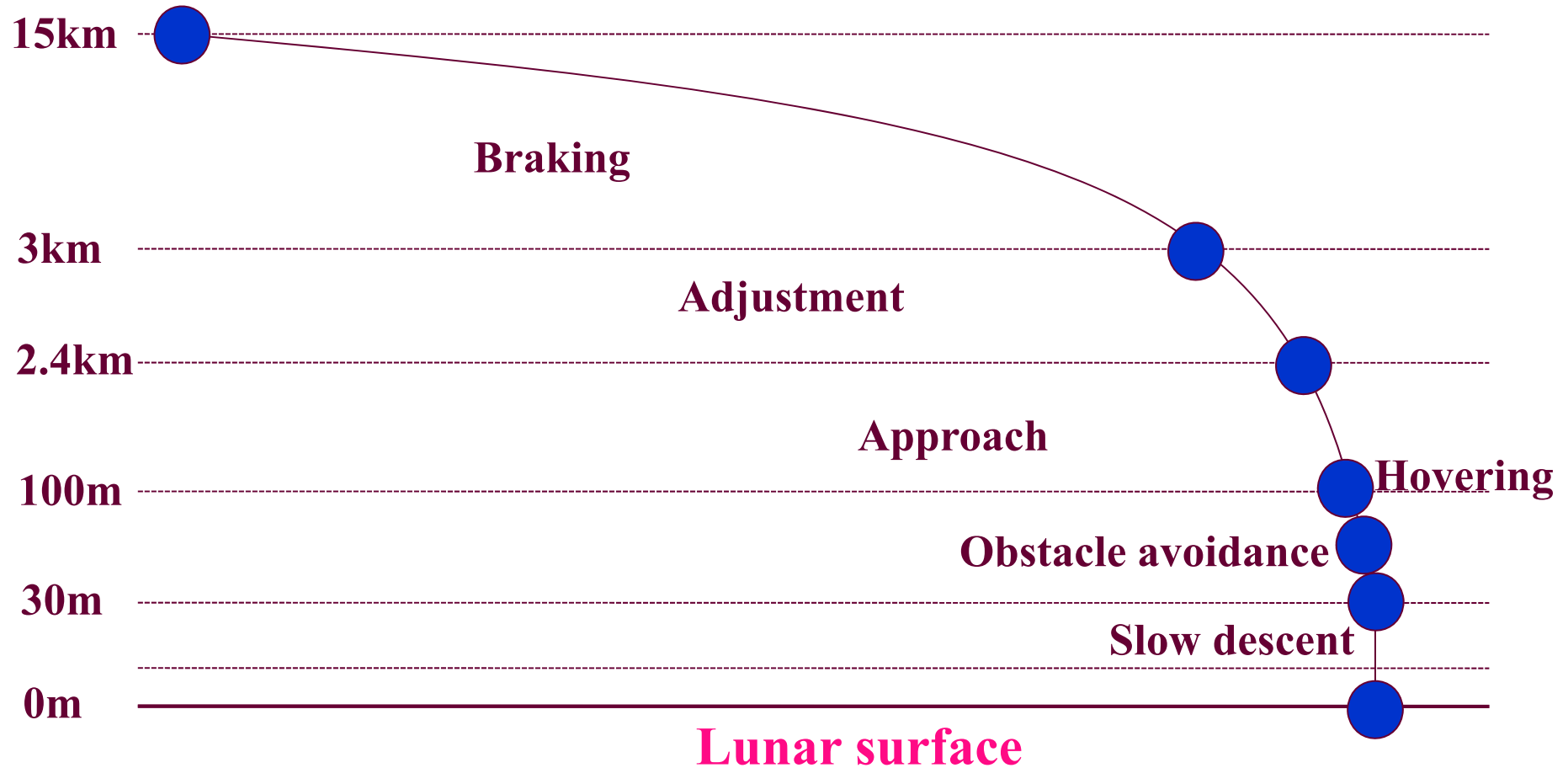
## ➤ Safety



- Improve the optimal value of [HSCC09] by **7.5%**
- The synthesized controller is correct, also optimal



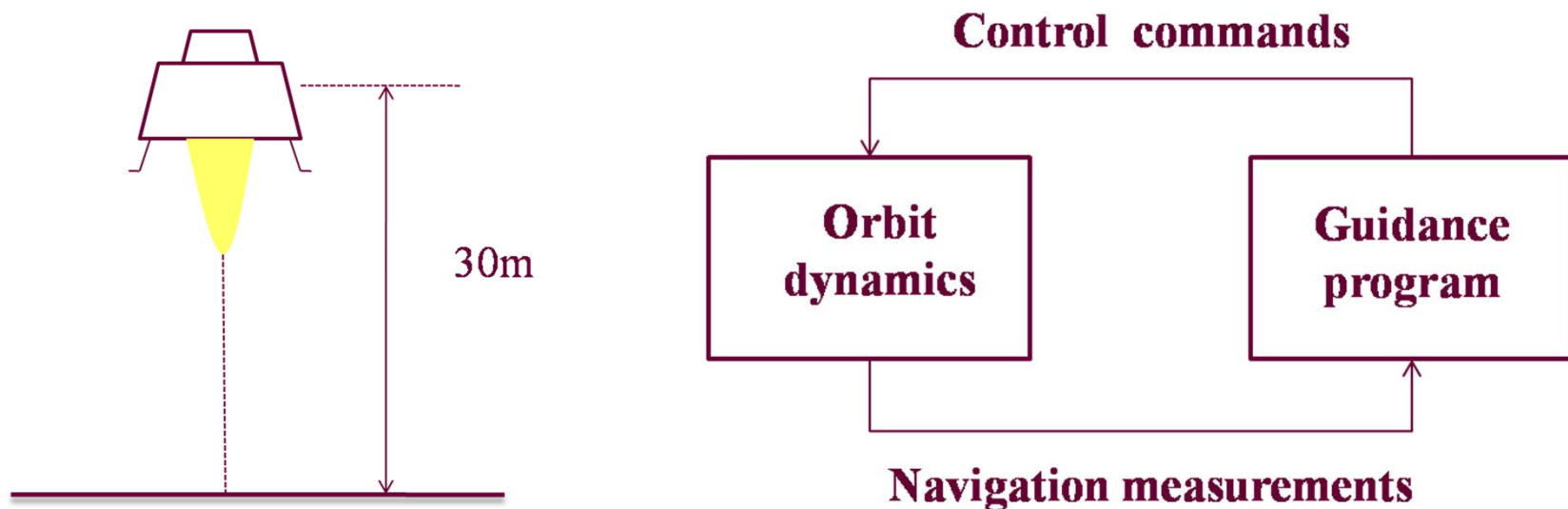
# Soft Landing



# Slow Descent Phase



## ➤ Trajectory control



➤ Sampling period:  $\Delta T = 0.128s$

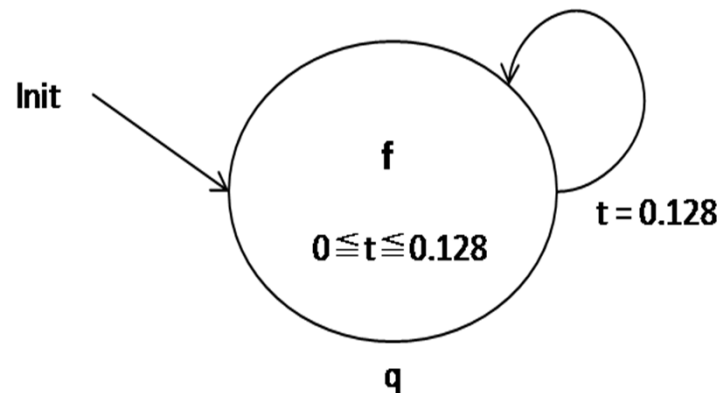
➤ Control objective:  $v = -2m/s$

# Hybrid Automata Model



## ➤ Dynamics

$t := 0;$   
 $F_c := -0.01*(F_c - 1.622*m) - 0.6*(v+2)*m + 1.622*m$



$$\mathbf{f} \hat{=} \begin{cases} \dot{v} = \frac{F_c}{m} - 1.622 \\ \dot{m} = -\frac{F_c}{2500} \\ \dot{F}_c = 0 \\ \dot{t} = 1 \end{cases}$$

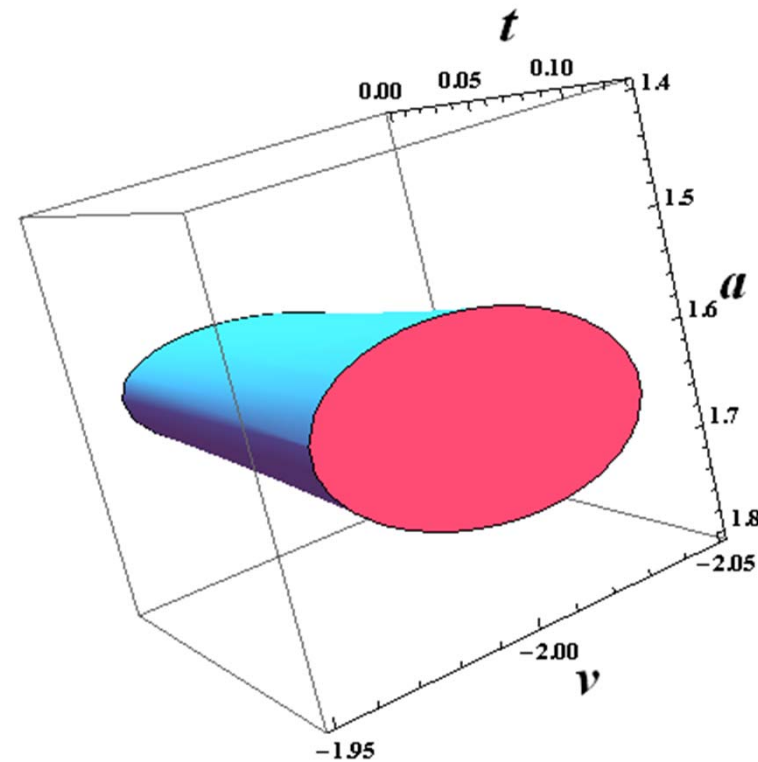
- Replace the **non-polynomial** term by a new variable:  $a = F_c/m$

# Verification



➤ **Safety requirement:**  $|v - (-2)| \leq 0.05$

➤ **Generated Invariant:**



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# Conclusion



- Hybrid systems attracts more and more interests with the development of **safety critical** embedded systems
- Invariant plays an important role in the study (**formal verification, controller synthesis**) of hybrid systems
- Semi-algebraic inductive invariant checking for **polynomial** continuous/hybrid systems is **decidable**

# Conclusion



- Use **parametric polynomials** and **symbolic computation** to automatically discover **invariants**, and to perform **optimization**
  - ⊗ **rigorous**
  - ⊗ **high complexity** (may be combined with **numeric computation**)
  - ⊗ **Non-polynomial** systems transformed to **polynomials** ones
  
- Case studies show good **prospect** of proposed methods

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