Non-Standard Semantics of Hybrid Systems Modelers

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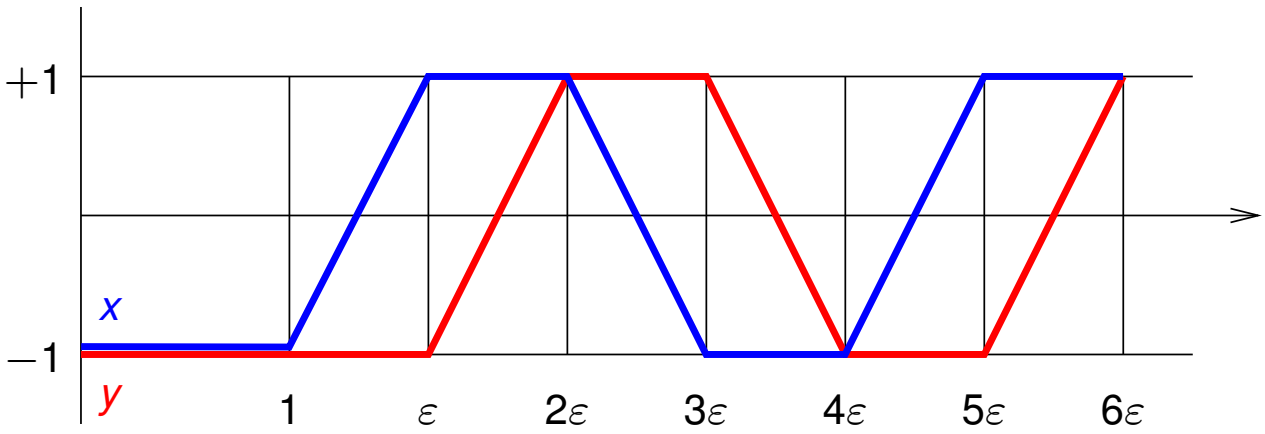
- Slicing Discrete/Continuous is essential
  - strange hybrid D+C Simulink/Stateflow diagrams can be specified they get strange returns from the tool
  - the Modelica consortium has made this a central effort

Some examples 1: infinite cascade

$$\begin{cases} \dot{y} = & 0 \textbf{ init } -1 & \textbf{reset } [1,-1] & \textbf{every up}[x,-x] \\ \dot{x} = & 0 \textbf{ init } -1 & \textbf{reset } [-1,1,1] & \textbf{every up}[y,-y,z] \\ \dot{z} = & 1 \textbf{ init } -1 & & \end{cases}$$

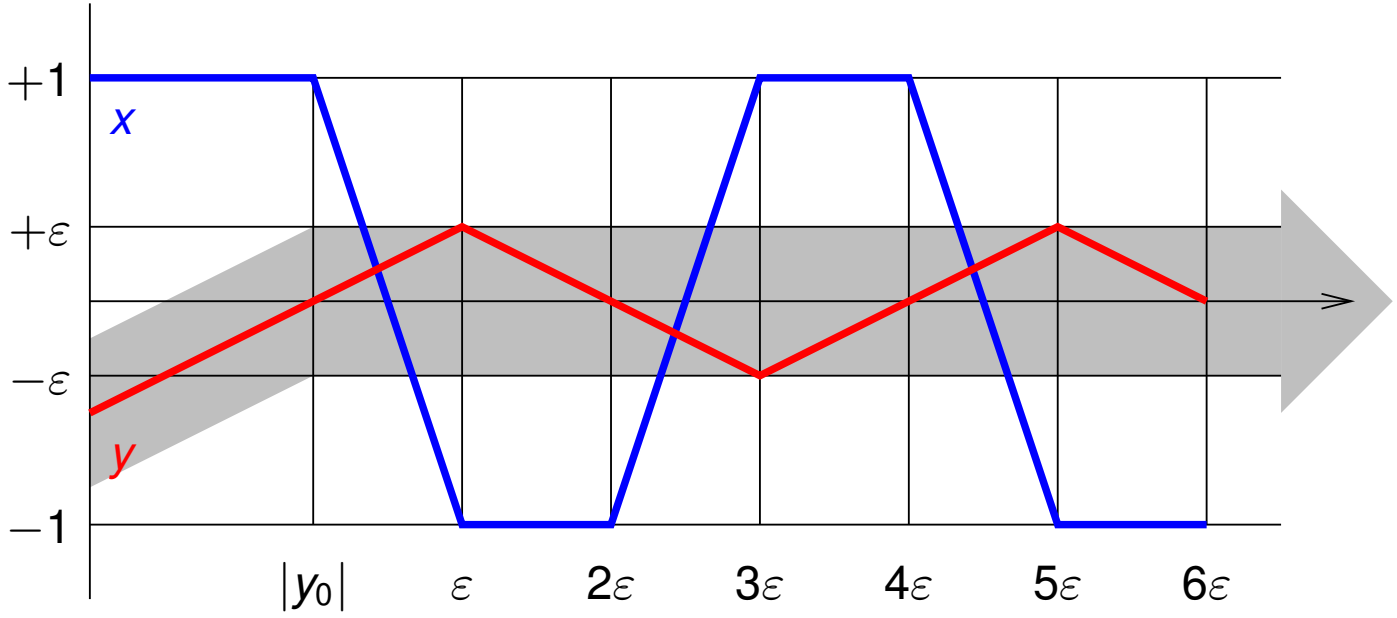
Note that z is just a physical clock. So, such an example can arise with “discrete” systems following the discrete/hybrid classification in force in the community of hybrid systems modelers.



here and subsequently, ε is infinitesimal

Some examples 2: sliding mode

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = 0 \textbf{ init } -\operatorname{sgn}(y_0) \textbf{ reset } [-1, 1] \textbf{ every up} [y, -y] \\ \dot{y} = x \textbf{ init } y_0 \end{cases}$$

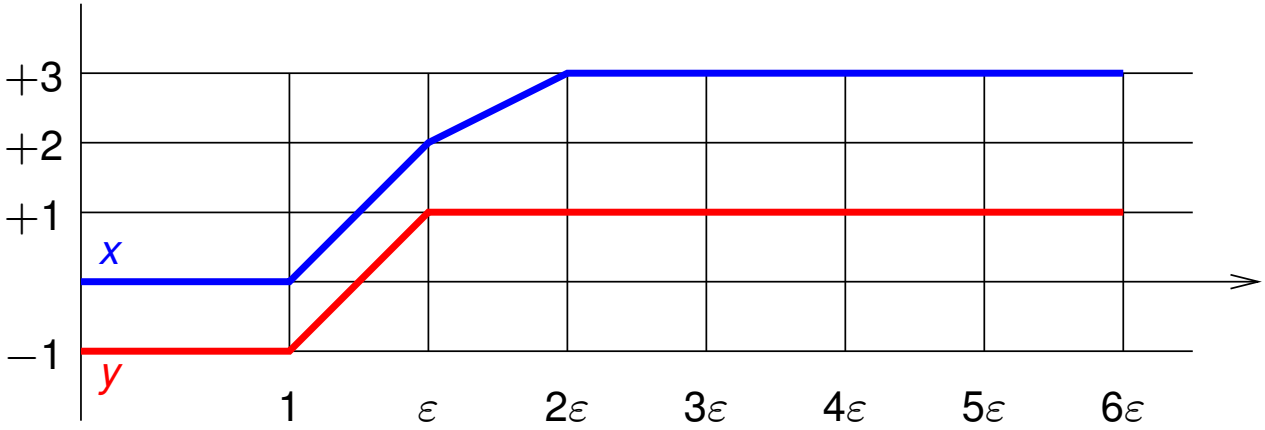


This is a simple form for an ABS system. Corresponding "averaged" system is:

$$\dot{\mathbf{y}} = \begin{cases} -\operatorname{sgn}(y_0), & \text{for the interval } [0, |y_0|) \\ 0 & \text{for } [|y_0|, \infty), \end{cases}$$

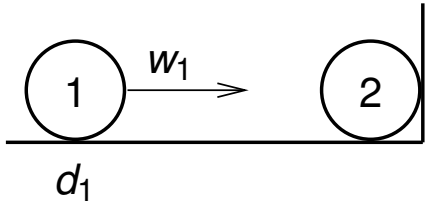
Some examples 3: finite cascade

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = 0 \textbf{ init } \quad 0 \textbf{ reset } [\textbf{last}\,(x) + 1, \textbf{last}\,(x) + 2] \textbf{ every up}[y, z] \\ \dot{z} = 1 \textbf{ init } -1 \\ \dot{y} = 0 \textbf{ init } -1 \textbf{ reset } [1] \textbf{ every up}[z] \end{cases}$$



Here the question is: how should the reset on x and y be performed? Here we have adopted a mirco-step interpretation reflecting causality between the two resets. A different interpretation is often proposed by existing modelers.

Some examples 4: balls on wall



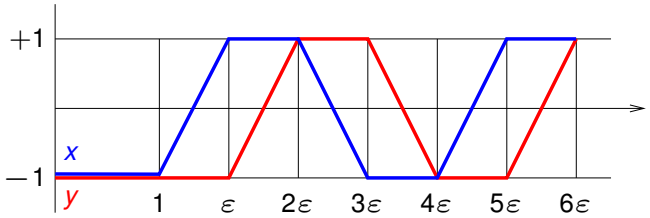
$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 & = & v_1 \textbf{ init } d_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 & = & v_2 \textbf{ init } d_2 \\ \dot{v}_1 & = & 0 \textbf{ init } w_1 \textbf{ reset last } (v_2) \textbf{ every up}[x_1 - x_2] \\ \dot{v}_2 & = & 0 \textbf{ init } w_2 \textbf{ reset } [\textbf{last } (v_1), -\textbf{last } (v_2)] \textbf{ every up}[x_1 - x_2, x_2] \end{cases}$$

Here the difficulty is the cascade involving

1. ball 1 hitting ball 2, resulting in ball 2 moving to the right (reset)
2. which causes ball 2 to hit the wall immediately (ODE activated for zero time)
3. resulting in ball 2 moving backward (reset)
4. followed by the symmetric sheme.

Questions

- Can we propose a semantic domain for these (and all) examples?
- Can we use it
  - to identify example (1) as pathological, but not example (2)?
  - to decide on the semantics of example (3)?
  - to give a semantics to example (4)?
- More generally, can we develop a semantic domain to serve as a mathematical basis for the management of (possibly cascaded) zero-crossings?



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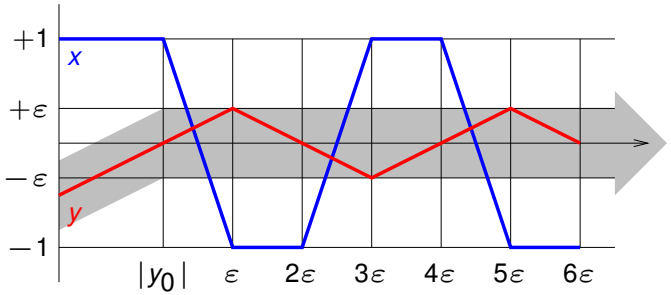

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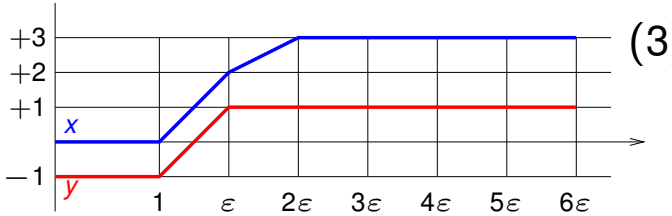

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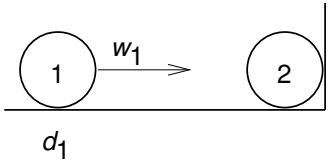

The great idea: non-standard analysis

Suppose for a while that we can give a formal meaning to the following:

$$\dot{y} = x \quad \text{means, by definition:} \quad \frac{y_{t+\partial} - y_t}{\partial} = x_t$$

where ∂ is infinitesimal

Let's make a trial use of non-standard anaysis.
The ε of our examples will be identified with the above ∂.
By doing so, our drawings become the semantics of cascades and
ODEs' semantics is written as transition relations involving ∂.

Non-Standard Time Base

Fix an infinitesimal base step ∂

$$\text{time base} \ : \ \mathbb{T} \quad = \quad \{t_n = n\partial \mid n \in {}^\star\mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$\text{define } \forall t \in \mathbb{T} \ : \ \begin{array}{rcl} {}^\bullet t & = & \max\{s \mid s \in \mathbb{T}, s < t\} \\ t^\bullet & = & \min\{s \mid s \in \mathbb{T}, s > t\} \end{array}$$

$\mathbb{T}$ offers *"the butter and the money of the butter"* (popular french idiom):

(i) $\mathbb{T}$ is totally ordered

(ii) every subset of $\mathbb{T}$ that is bounded from above by a finite (non-standard) number has a unique maximal element

(iii) $\mathbb{T}$ is dense in $\mathbb{R}$

By (i) and (ii) $\mathbb{T}$ looks "discrete"
By (iii), $\mathbb{T}$ looks "continuous"

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ODE:

$$
\underbrace{\dot{x} = f(x, u)}_{\text{(possibly not well defined)}} \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \underbrace{x_t = x_{\bullet t} + \partial \times f(x_{\bullet t}, u_{\bullet t})}_{\text{(always well defined)}}
$$

Streams of events generated by the zero-crossings of x:

$$
\begin{array}{rcll}
\zeta_x & =_{\text{def}} & \{t \in \mathbb{T} \mid x_{\bullet t} < 0 \wedge x_t \geq 0\} & \text{(always well defined)} \\
 & \approx & \{s \in \mathbb{R} \mid x_{s\_} < 0 \wedge x_s \geq 0\} & \text{(possibly not well defined)}
\end{array}
$$

Cascades following t:

$$
t, {}^\bullet t, {}^{\bullet\bullet} t, {}^{\bullet\bullet\bullet} t, \ldots \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad ????
$$

No standard counterpart using $\mathbb{R}$; $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{N}$ sufficient for finite cascades ("super-dense" time). Some cascades are worse (example 1) and cannot find their semantics in super-dense time

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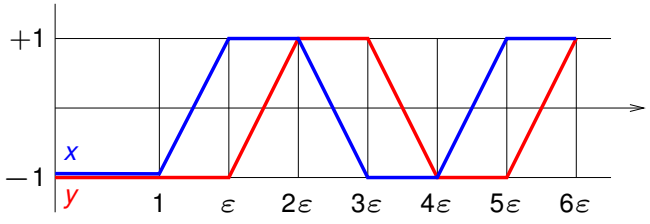
The drawings show the non-standard semantics with $\partial := \varepsilon$

Can we use it — yes we can

- to identify example (1) as pathological? — easy
- to identify example (2) as non-pathological? — less easy
- to decide on the semantics of example (3)? — easy
- to give a semantics to example (4)? — subtle



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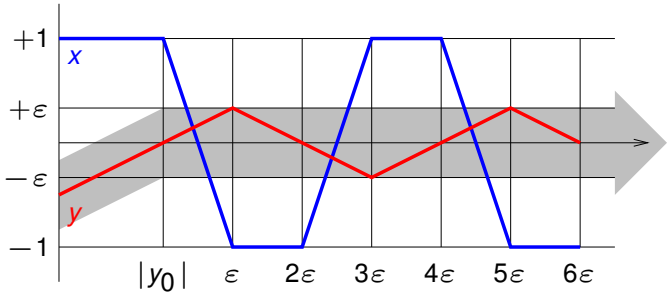

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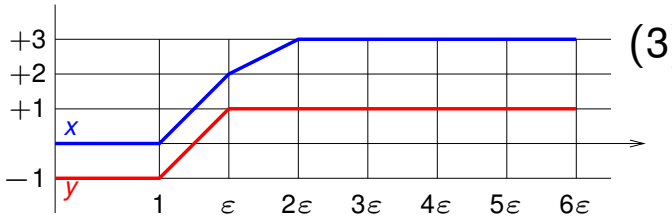

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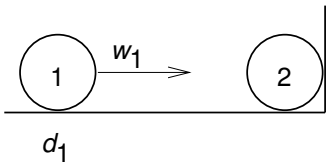

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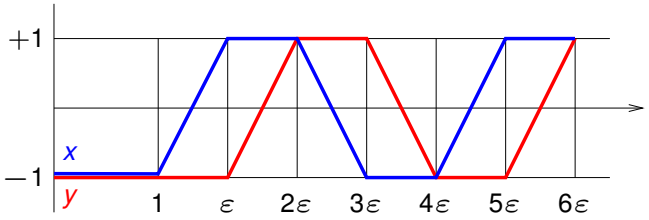

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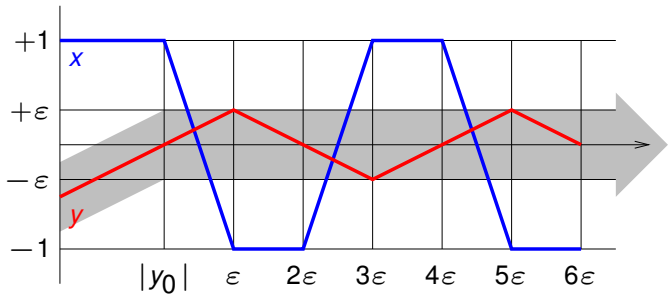

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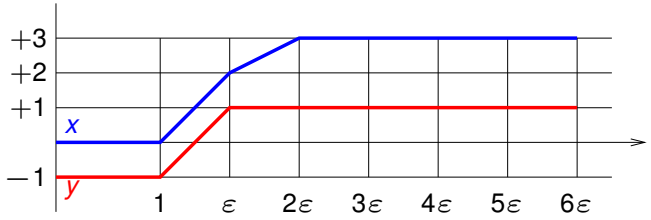

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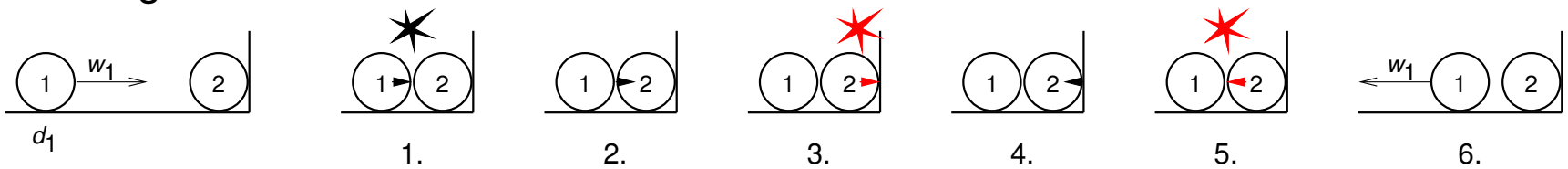
Non-standard semantics of the colliding balls example:

1. $t = \partial$, $x_1 = \partial \cdot w_1 > 0 \Rightarrow$ z-c (zero-crossing) on $x_1 - x_2$.
2. $\Rightarrow$ at $t = 2\partial$ balls exchange velocities: $v_1 = 0$ and $v_2 = w_1$.
3. $t = 3\partial$, $x_1 = 2\partial \cdot w_1$ and $x_2 = \partial \cdot w_1 \Rightarrow$ ODE has immediate z-c on x_2
4. $t = 4\partial$, $x_1 = x_2 = 2\partial \cdot w_1$, $v_1 = 0$ and $v_2 = -w_1$.
5. $t = 5\partial$, $x_1 = 2\partial \cdot w_1$ and $x_2 = \partial \cdot w_1 \Rightarrow$ z-c $x_1 - x_2$
6. $\Rightarrow$ at $t = 6\partial$, $x_1 = 2\partial \cdot w_1$, $x_2 = 0$, $v_1 = -w_1$ and $v_2 = 0$.

Then, ball 1 moves toward $-\infty$ according to the ODEs and no further zero-crossings occur.



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Answers to the above is provided by:

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2. Standardisation of non-standard entities

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- Standardisation principle:

  There exists a standardisation map

  $$\text{hybrid system program} \ \rightarrow_{\partial} \ \text{NS semantics} \ \mapsto \ \text{S semantics}$$

  such that

  1. it is a partial map (sometimes NS systems have no S counterpart)
  2. when standardisation exists, then the above end-to-end map does not depend on ∂: NS semantics is intrinsic
  3. when system composition is well defined in the S domain, then we get commutative diagrams

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Why is non-standard analysis interesting for the computer scientist?

- it offers a step-based view of continuous and hybrid systems
- it is non-effective; still, it is amenable to symbolic executions and can thus be used for symbolic analyses at compile (and even run) time

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Idea:

- mimic the construction of $\mathbb{R}$ from $\mathbb{Q}$ as Cauchy sequences; candidates for infinitesimals include:

$$\begin{array}{rcccccccc} \text{close to } 0 & : & \left\{\dfrac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right\} & > & \left\{\dfrac{1}{n}\right\} & > & \left\{\dfrac{1}{n^2}\right\} & > & 0 \\ \text{close to } +\infty & : & \left\{\sqrt{n}\right\} & < & \left\{n\right\} & < & \left\{n^2\right\} & & \end{array}$$

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Lindström: partition subsets of $\mathbb{N}$ into neglectible/non-neglectible ones, so that:

- finite or empty subsets are all neglectible
- neglectible sets are stable under finite unions
- for any subset P, either P or its complement is non-neglectible

Having such a decision mechanism relies on Zorn Lemma ($\approx$ axiom of choice) and is formalized as explained next.

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Say that P is neglectible iff $P \notin \mathcal{F}$

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$(x_n), (x'_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}$, define $(x_n) \approx (x'_n)$ iff set $\{n \mid x_n \neq x'_n\}$ is neglectible

$$\boxed{{}^\star\mathbb{R} = \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}/\approx \quad ; \quad \text{elements of } {}^\star\mathbb{R} \text{ are written } [x_n]}$$

- For any two $(x_n), (y_n)$ exactly one among the sets $\{n \mid x_n > y_n\}$, $\{n \mid x_n < y_n\}$, $\{n \mid x_n = y_n\}$, is non-neglectible
  $\Longrightarrow$ any two sequences can always be compared modulo $\approx$

- By pointwise extension, a 1st-order formula is true over ${}^\star\mathbb{R}$ iff it is true over $\mathbb{R}$: this is known as the transfer principle
  Ex: defining $+, -, \times \ldots$ by pointwise extension

- Say that
  $$x = st([x_n]) \text{ if } x_n \to x \text{ modulo neglectible sets}$$

Non-Standard Analysis: the idea of Lindstrom

Theorem: [standardisation]
Any finite non-standard real $[x_n]$ possesses a unique standard part

Proof:

1. Pick
$$x = \sup\{u \in \mathbb{R} \mid [u] \leq [x_n]\}$$
where $[u]$ denotes the constant sequence equal to u.
2. Since $[x_n]$ is finite, x exists; remains to show that $[x_n] - x$ is infinitesimal.
3. If this is not true,
   - then there exists $y \in \mathbb{R}, y > 0$ such that $y < |x - [x_n]|$,
   - that is, either $x < [x_n] - [y]$ or $x > [x_n] + [y]$,
   - which both contradict the definition of x.
4. The uniqueness of x is clear, thus we can define $st([x_n]) = x$.

(Infinite non-standard reals have no standard part in $\mathbb{R}$.)

Integrals, ODE, and the Standardisation Principle

- internal functions and sets by pointwise extension:

$$\forall n, g_n : \mathbb{R} \mapsto \mathbb{R} \text{ yields } [g_n] : {}^\star\mathbb{R} \mapsto {}^\star\mathbb{R} \text{ by } [g_n]([x_n]) = [g_n(x_n)]$$

- Pick ∂ infinitesimal and $N \in {}^\star\mathbb{N}$ s.t. $(N-1)\partial < 1 \leq N\partial$, and consider the set

$$T = \{0, \partial, 2\partial, \ldots, (N-1)\partial, 1\}$$

By definition, if $\partial = [d_n]$, then $N = [N_n]$ with $N_n = \frac{1}{d_n}$ and $T = [T_n]$ with

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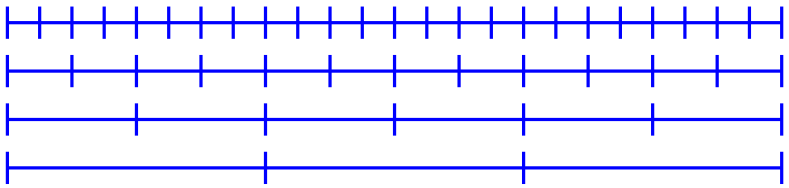
picturing T: $T = [T_n]$



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Integrals, ODE, and the Standardisation Principle

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$$T = \{0, \partial, 2\partial, \ldots, (N-1)\partial, 1\}$$

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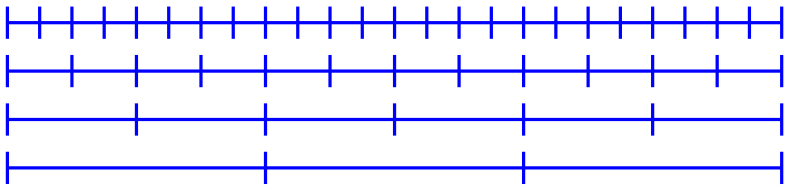

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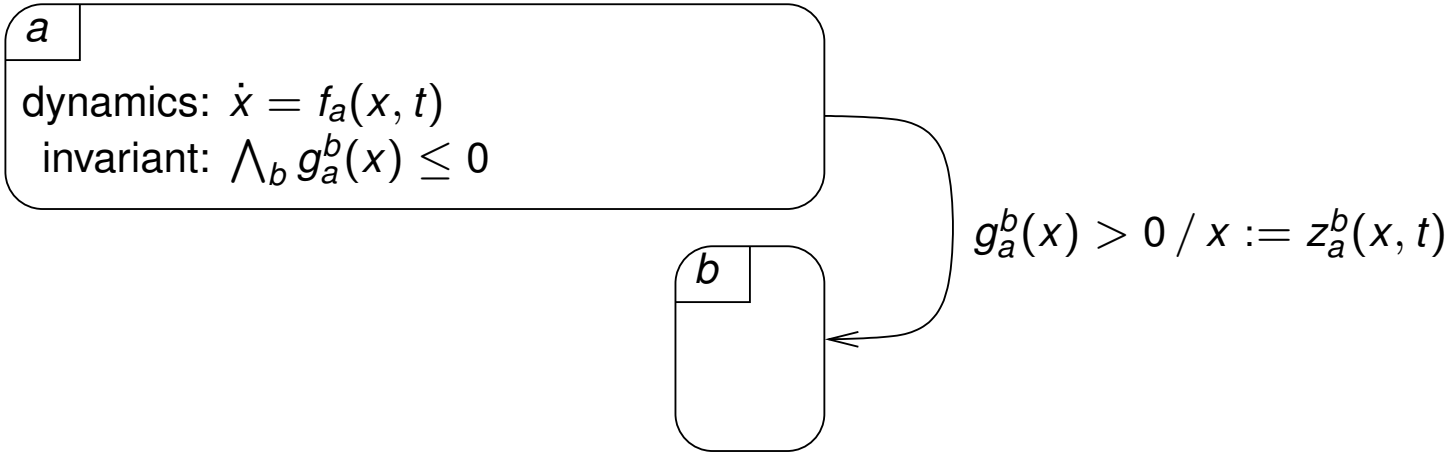
where ${}^\star x$ is the non-standard semantics of the above ODE with time basis ∂:

$$\begin{cases} {}^\star x(t_k) = {}^\star x(t_{k-1}) + \partial \times f({}^\star x(t_{k-1}), t_{k-1}) \\ {}^\star x(t_0) = x_0 \end{cases} \tag{5}$$

Theorem: [standardisation]
(5) is always defined as a non-standard dynamical system
(4) only holds if the ODE (3) has a solution

Hybrid Systems, Standardisation Principle



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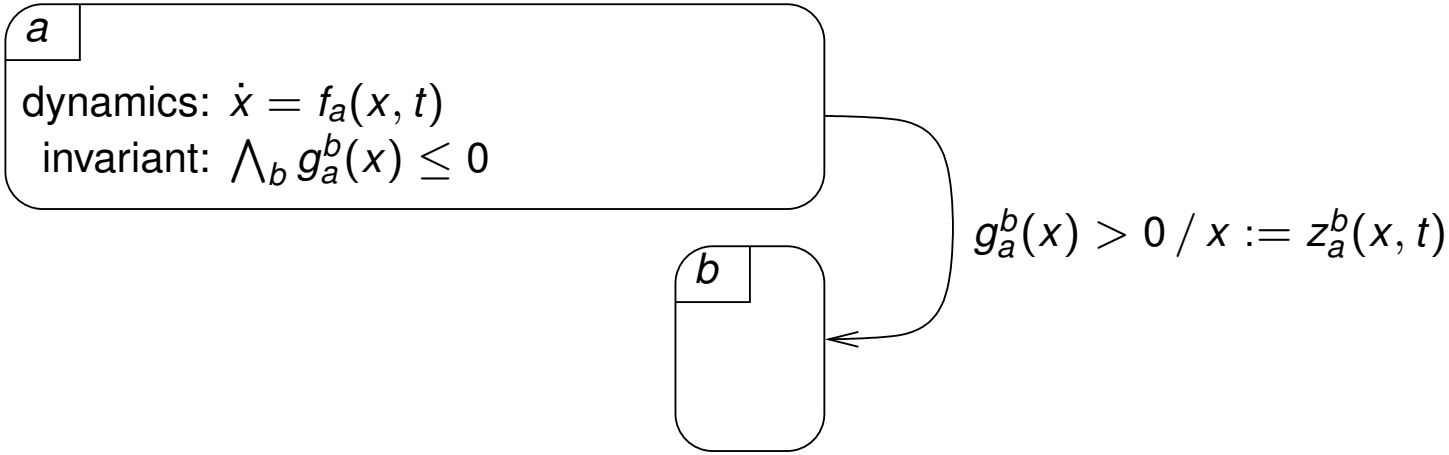

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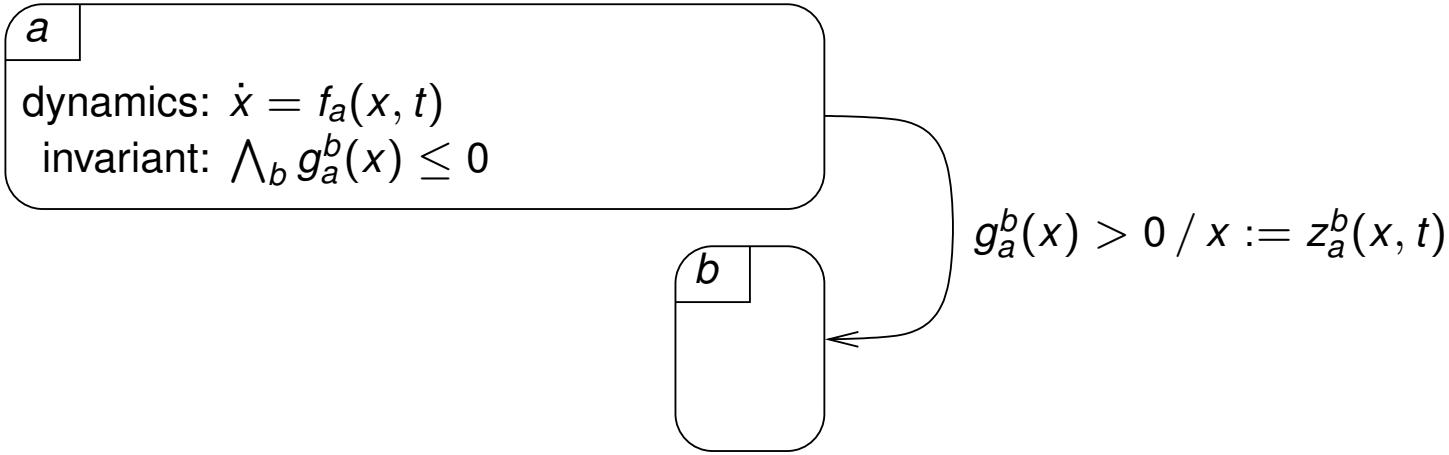

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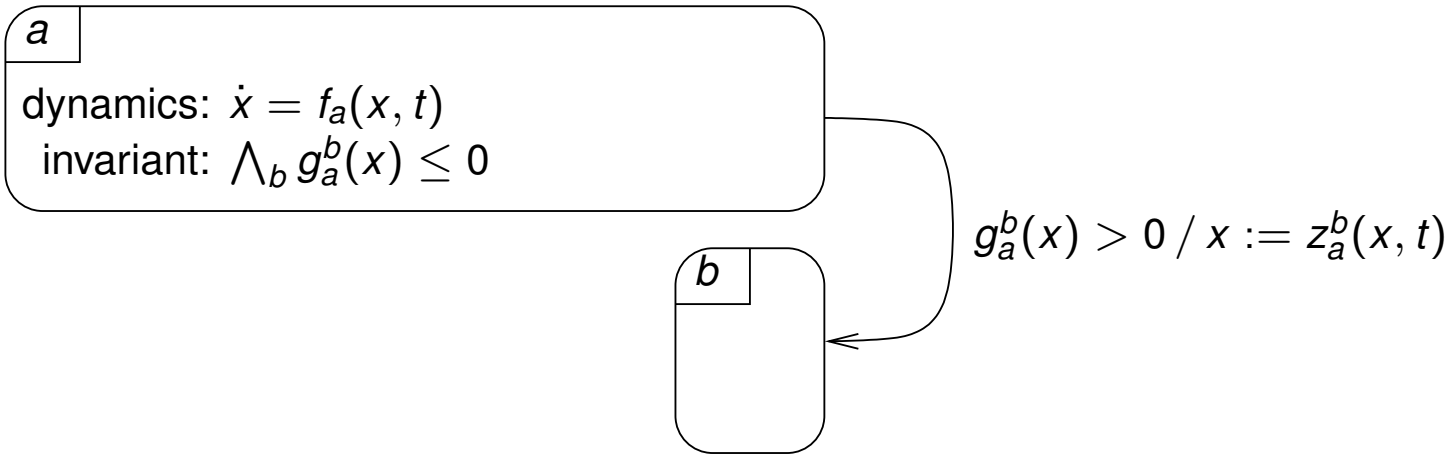

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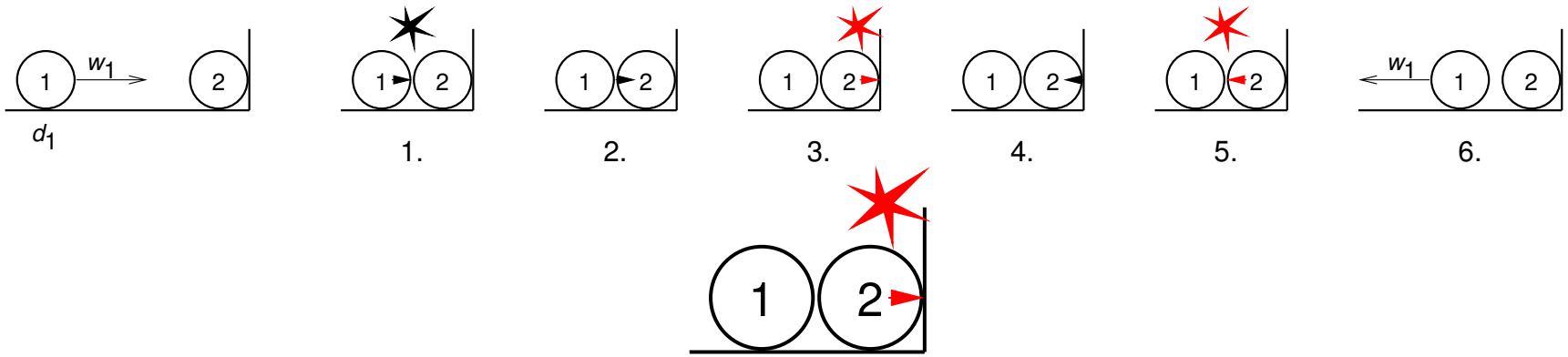

In this example, we successively have, within an infinitesimal period of time:

1. a first cascade of z-c (a hit causing changes in velocities)
2. the launching of an ODE with an immediate z-c
3. another cascade of z-c, followed by the symmetric scheme.

Provided that such a cascade of {z-c + ODE micro-steps} remains finite, a super-dense time semantics can be given. Execution is by executing the symbolic non-standard semantics: Extended Standardisation Principle.

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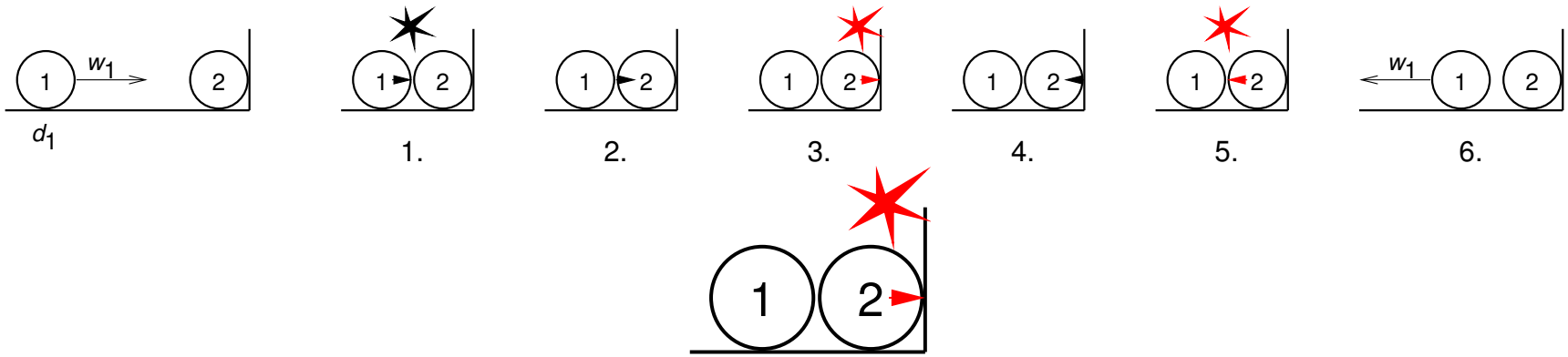

Non-standard symbolic simulation of the colliding balls example:

1. $t = \partial$, $x_1 = \partial \cdot w_1 > 0 \Rightarrow$ z-c (zero-crossing) on $x_1 - x_2$.
2. $\Rightarrow$ at $t = 2\partial$ balls exchange velocities: $v_1 = 0$ and $v_2 = w_1$.
3. $t = 3\partial$, $x_1 = 2\partial \cdot w_1$ and $x_2 = \partial \cdot w_1 \Rightarrow$ ODE has immediate z-c on x_2
4. $t = 4\partial$, $x_1 = x_2 = 2\partial \cdot w_1$, $v_1 = 0$ and $v_2 = -w_1$.
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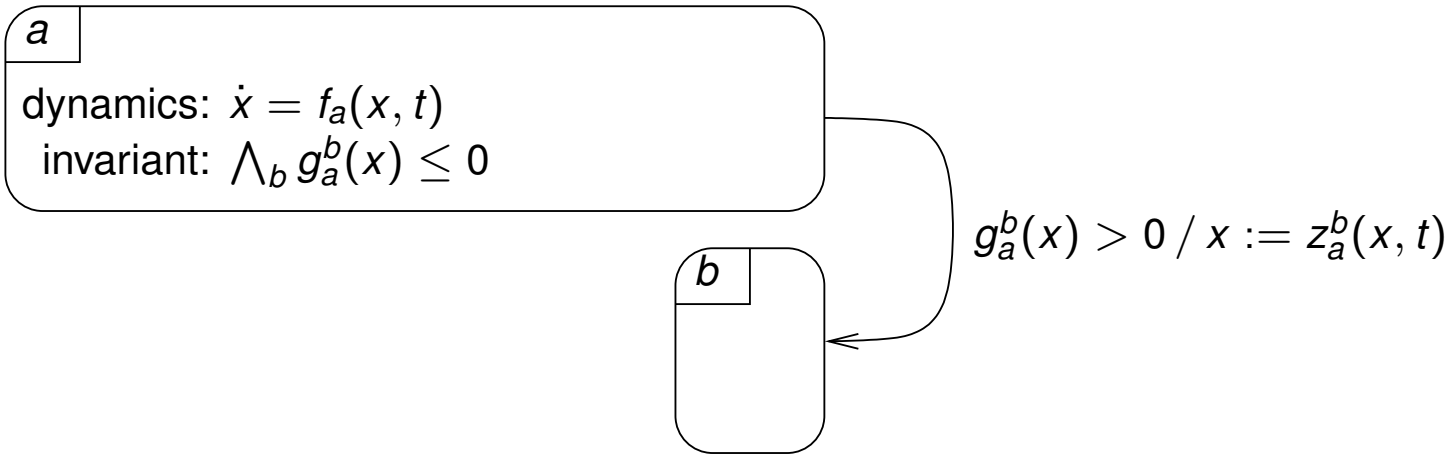

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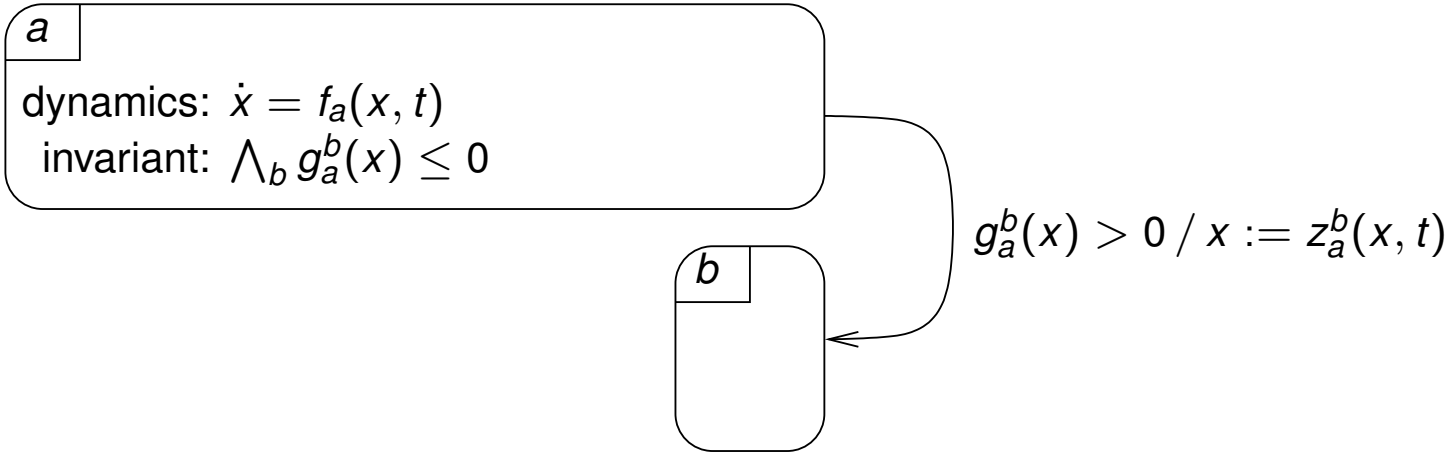

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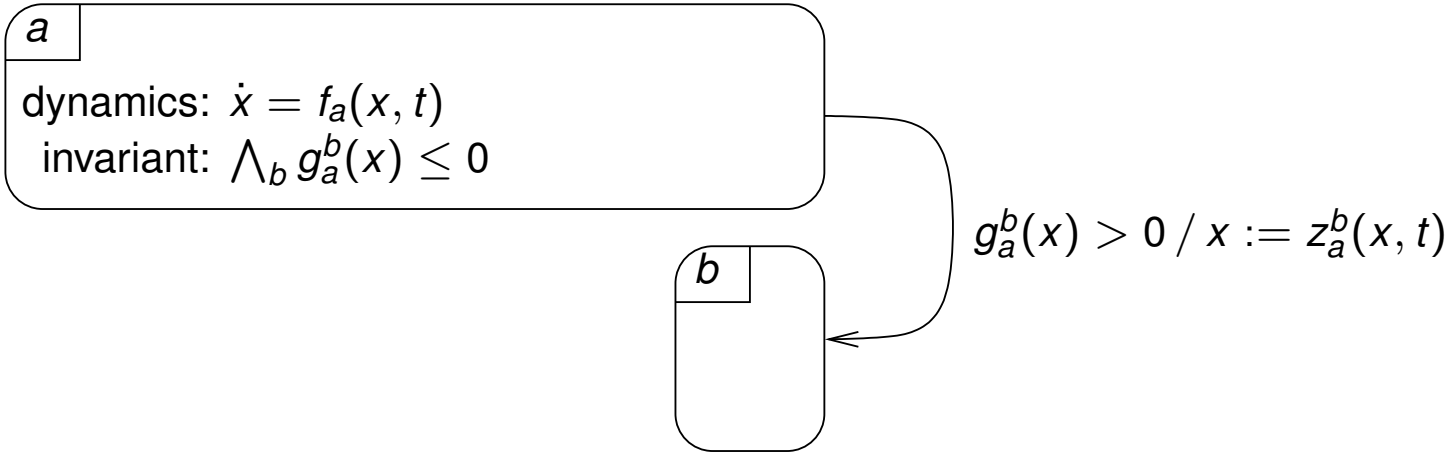

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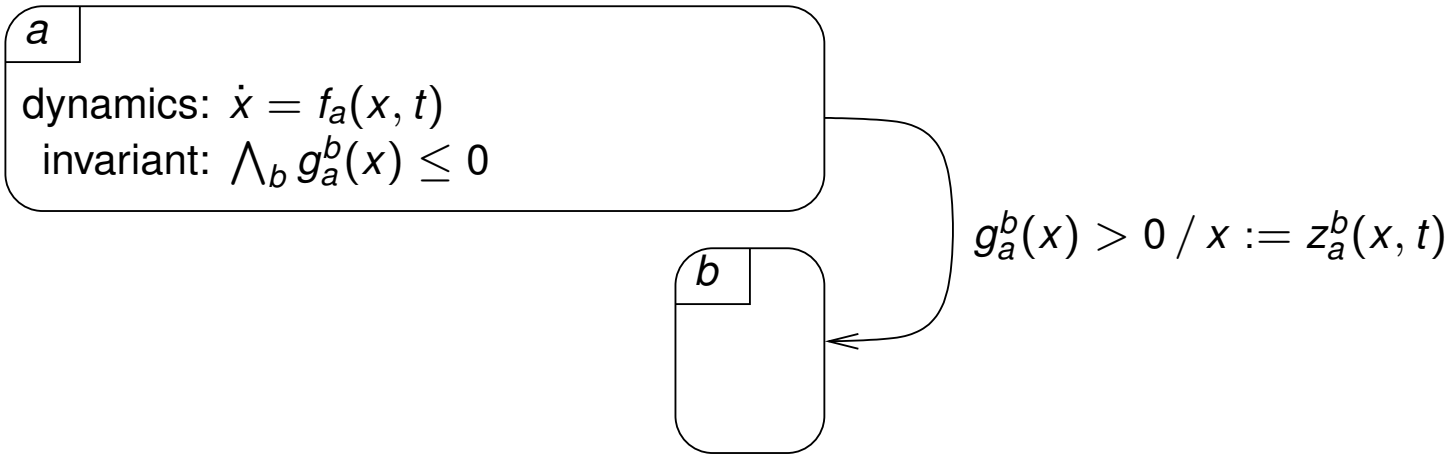

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Non-standard semantics: summary

What NS semantics is:

- A way of viewing a hybrid system as a transition system progressing by a sequence of steps
- All synctactically well-formed systems have a semantics (no need for smoothness conditions);

  Parallel composition always works.

What it does for you:

- It provides a systematic analysis for the compilation of the discrete part
- It provides mathematical support for the slicing of a hybrid system into its discrete and continuous parts

What it cannot do for you:

- Improving the job of the ODE solvers

The SIMPLEHYBRID mini-language and its semantics

Here we introduce a minimal language for specifying hybrid systems, called SIMPLEHYBRID:

- A SIMPLEHYBRID system is a system of equations
- Equivalently, it specifies dataflow diagrams
- It has the smallest possible set of primitives to specify continuous time dynamics as well as sequences of events where system dynamics can get changed
- In particular it offers a “zero-crossing” primitive by which systems with continuous dynamics can create events

It does not offer:

- Syntax for declaring blocks por subsystems for reuse; subsystems are implicitly macro-expanded when assembling them
- High-level constructs such as mode machines

We develop a nonstandard semantics for SIMPLEHYBRID, from which compilation schemes can be systematically derived.

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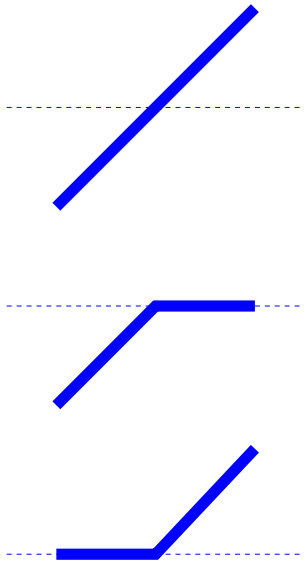

zero-crossing

aborting ODE

three types of "up()"; no need for left/right limit

all zc+aborting ODE in S: $\overline{\zeta}_S$

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If a SIMPLEHYBRID system S is free of causality cycles and obeys the single assignment condition, then it can be given a Kahn Process Network semantics in which each statement is seen as a map

[input stream]$\longrightarrow$[output stream]

with no global synchronization.

- This is the basis for a possible multi-solver simulation mode.
- It can also be used to prove that cascades of zero-crossings are statically bounded.

Slicing

Wanted: building a SIMPLEHYBRID engine by coordinating two off-the-shelf tools:

- A synchronous language compiler in charge of performing the "discrete steps" of the considered SIMPLEHYBRID system
- An ODE solver in charge of simulating the continuous dynamics and detecting zero-crossings

Note that we like to consider aborting ODE as discrete steps.

A key task in preparing for this is the discrete/continuous typing by which some statements are assigned to the discrete engine and other statements are assigned to the continuous engine

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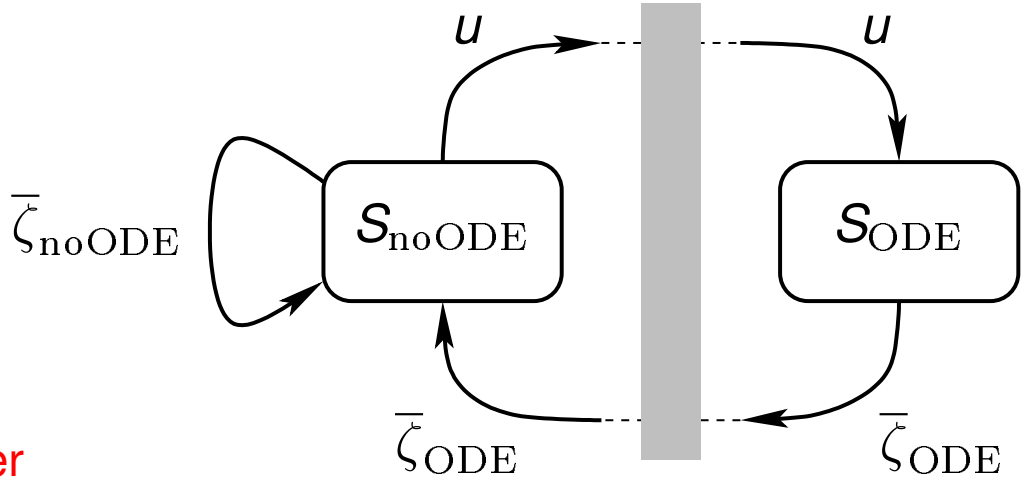

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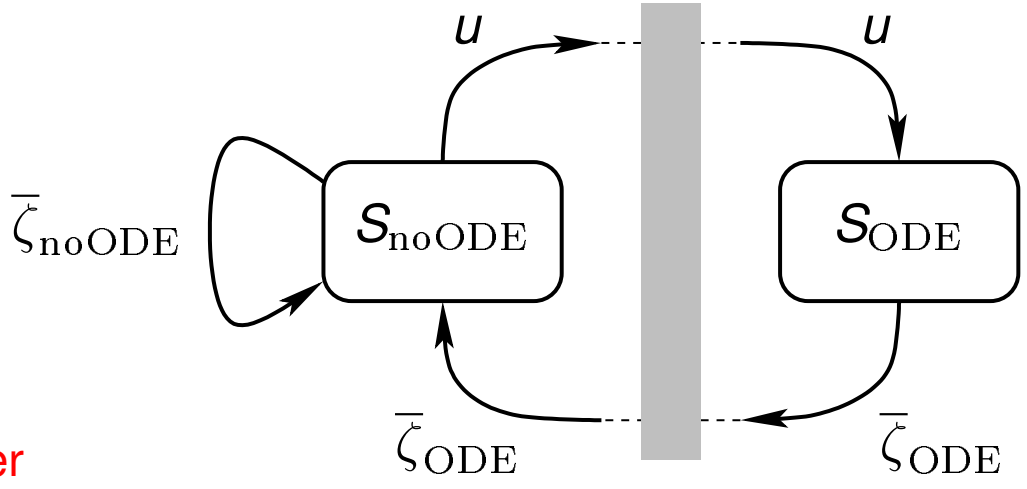

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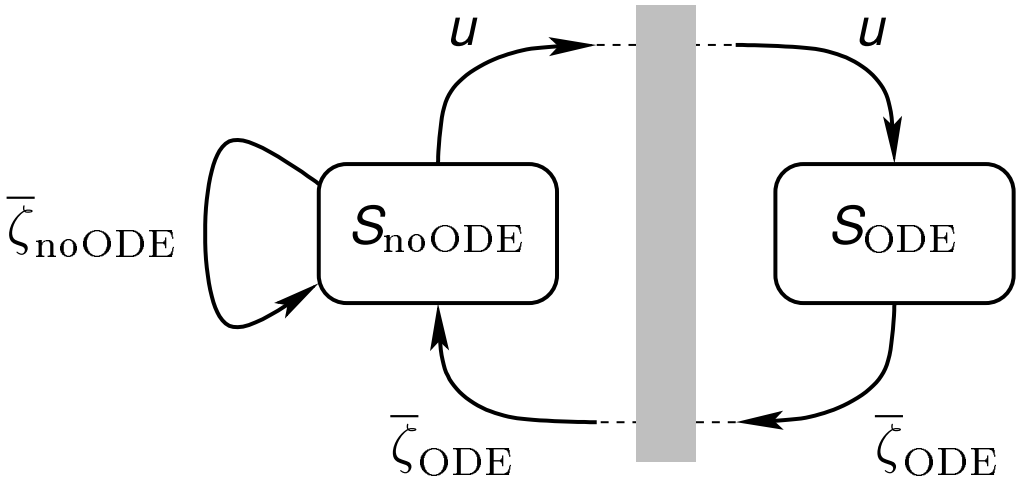

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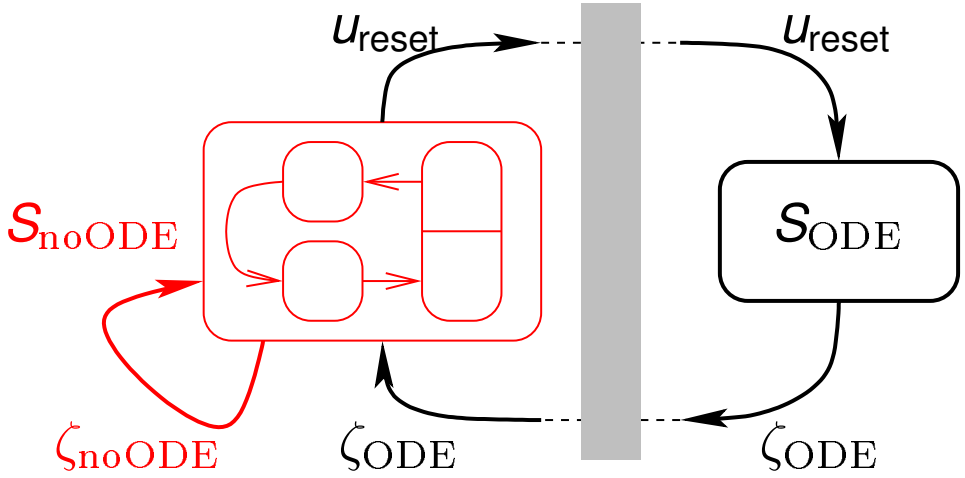

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S_{ODE} and S_{noODE} interact via the zero-crossings and reset signals. If mode changes are actually controlled by high-level guards (e.g., boolean predicates) then a (simple) adaptor may be required.

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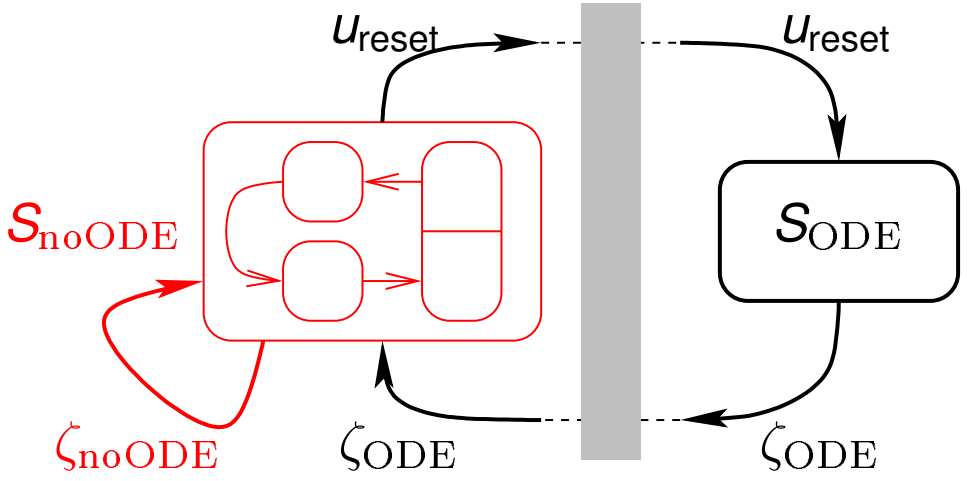

Further use of Non-Standard Semantics

- Causality Analysis and Constructive Semantics
  - compilation and code generation
  - clock-aware compilation
  - new application: DAE and index analysis
- Kahn Network semantics (KPN arguments extend to ${}^{\star}\mathbb{N}$)
  - distributed simulation & multiple solvers
    to avoid unwanted coupling due to adaptive step size

Conclusion

Non-standard semantics is not just for the fun of Albert Benveniste

- it gives a semantics to all syntactically well-formed programs
  - no hand waving, no need for obscure continuity/zeno assumption
  - compositional

  this is what the language designer needs
- provides semantic support for clock-aware causality analysis
  - clock-aware co-simulation (getting rid of global solvers)
  - future: extend to DAE
- provides semantic support for Discrete/Continuous slicing
  - NS symbolic simulation of aborting ODEs
  - future: singular perturbations and multiple time-scales

  Prevents the designer from the need for manual smoothing
  (non compositional because bandwidth-dependent)

You hybrid guys, go learning it!