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Hybrid Automata

Timed Automaton Model of a Thermostat



Possible Execution of the Timed Thermostat Model











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$$\dot{y}(t) = -a\dot{y}(t_1) - gt \ (t > t_1)$$

Sticky Masses Example



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Sticky Masses Example System Dynamics

- Let p_1 and p_2 be neutral places of the two springs.
 - The forces due to the springs are zero.
- Suppose the spring force is proportional to the displacement.
- When apart, forces due to the springs:

$$F_1 = k_1(p_1 - y_1(t))$$

$$F_2 = k_2(p_2 - y_2(t))$$

• Under Newton's 2nd Law (i.e., *F* = *ma*):

$$\ddot{y}_1(t) = k_1(p_1 - y_1(t))/m_1 \ddot{y}_2(t) = k_2(p_2 - y_2(t))/m_2$$

• When stuck together, pulled in opposite directions by two springs:

$$F = F_1 + F_2$$

$$m = m_1 + m_2$$

$$y(t) = y_1(t) = y_2(t)$$

$$\ddot{y}(t) = \frac{k_1 p_1 + k_2 p_2 - (k_1 + k_2) y(t)}{m_1 + m_2}$$

Sticky Masses Example System Dynamics

- Guard on the **apart** to **together** transition is: $y_1(t) = y_2(t)$.
- Initial velocity of combined mass, y
 y(t), set by conservation of momentum:

$$\dot{y}(t)(m_1 + m_2) = \dot{y}_1(t)m_1 + \dot{y}_2(t)m_2 \dot{y}(t) = \frac{\dot{y}_1(t)m_1 + \dot{y}_2(t)m_2}{(m_1 + m_2)}$$

Guard on the together to apart transition is:

$$F_2 - F_1 = (k_1 - k_2)y(t) + k_2p_2 - k_1p_1 > s$$

where *s* represents the stickiness of the two masses.

• This transition occurs when the right-pulling force, $k_2(p_2 - y(t))$, exceeds the left-pulling force, $k_1(p_1 - y(t))$, by the stickiness *s*.

Hybrid System Model for Sticky Masses



• A control system includes:

- The plant the physical process that is to be controlled.
- The environment.
- The sensors.
- The controller.
- The controller has two levels:
 - Supervisory control determines the mode transition structure.
 - Low-level control determines the time-based inputs to the plant.
- Supervisory controller determines the strategy while the low-level controller implements the strategy.
- Hybrid systems are ideal for modeling control systems.

Automated Guided Vehicle (AGV) Example



AGV Dynamics

• The speed is u(t) is restricted to:

 $0 \le u(t) \le 10$ mph

• The angular speed is $\omega(t)$ is restricted to:

 $-\pi \leq \omega(t) \leq \pi$ radians/second

- Position is $(x(t), y(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ and angle is $\theta(t) \in (-\pi, \pi]$.
- The motion of the AGV is defined by the differential equations:

$$\dot{x}(t) = u(t) \cos \Theta(t)$$

 $\dot{y}(t) = u(t) \sin \Theta(t)$
 $\dot{\Theta}(t) = \omega(t)$

Determining the Error in Position



Hybrid System Model for the AGV Example



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A Trajectory for the AGV Example



- Plant is the differential equations governing the AGV motion.
- Environment is the closed track.
- Sensor is e(t) which gives the AGV position relative to the track.
- Supervisory controller are the four modes and guards to switch b/w them.
- Low-level controller is the specification of inputs to the plant *u* and ω.

- Hybrid systems are a bridge between state-based and time-based models which allow for the description of real-world systems.
- Discrete transitions are used to change the mode of operation.
- These transitions are taken when guards are satisfied that include both inputs and predicates on continuous variables.
- The change in mode may result in a change in continuous behavior.
- Analysis of hybrid systems is complicated by the fact that both state-based and time-based analysis is required.