

# Automi Ibridi

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# Indice del Corso (Dis)Ordinato

- **Automi Ibridi:** Sintassi e Semantica
- Sistemi a stati finiti (breve ripasso)
- Il problema della **Raggiungibilità**
- Risultati di **Indecidibilità**
- **Classi notevoli di Automi Ibridi:** timed, rectangular, o-minimal, ...
- **Tecniche di Decisione:** (Bi)Simulazione, Cylindric Algebraic Decomposition, Teoremi di Selezione, **Semantiche approssimate**
- Equazioni Differenziali
- ... e tanto altro:
  - Logiche temporali
  - Composizione di Automi
  - Il caso Stocastico
  - Stabilità, Osservabilità, Controllabilità
  - Strumenti Software
  - Applicazioni

## Nella lezione precedente ...

... abbiamo visto che:

Se  $H$  è definito con formule su  $(\mathbb{R}, +, *, <, 0, 1)$ , allora

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{Path Reachability} & \Leftrightarrow \text{Formula Satisfiability} \\ \text{Reachability} & \Leftrightarrow \text{Infinite Formula Satisfiability} \end{array}$$

Inoltre si possono usare le formule per definire **modelli astratti**

- Casagrande et al. *Inclusion dynamics hybrid automata*. I.&C., 2008
- Tiwari et al. *Series of Abstractions for Hybrid Automata*. HSCC, 2002

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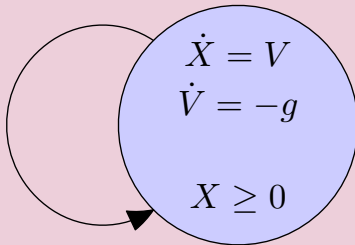
Diophantine equations are **undecidable**

What about their **interplay**?

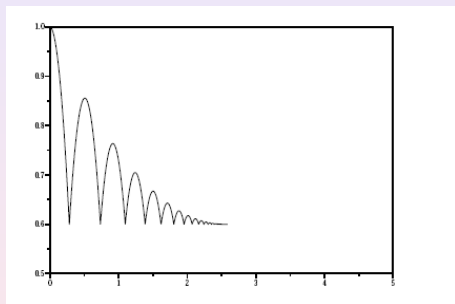
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## Bouncing Ball

$$\begin{aligned} X' &= V \\ V' &= -\gamma V \end{aligned}$$

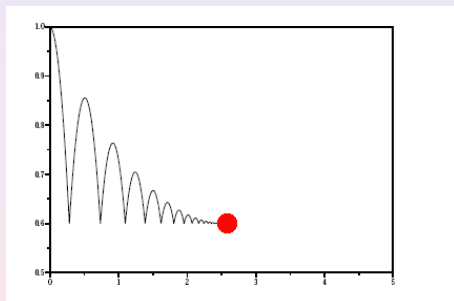


# Example



**Zeno Behavior** The automaton avoids time elapsing by crossing edges infinitely often

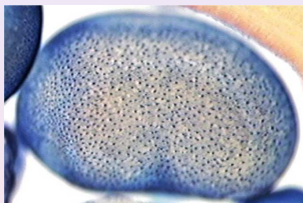
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**Zeno Point** The limit point of a Zeno behavior

## Delta-Notch

**Delta** and **Notch** are proteins involved in cell differentiation (see, e.g., Collier et al., Ghosh et al.)

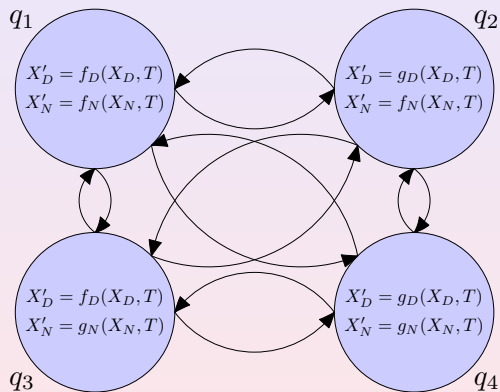


**Notch production** is triggered by high Delta levels in **neighboring cells**

**Delta production** is triggered by low Notch concentrations in the **same cell**

High **Delta** levels lead to **differentiation**

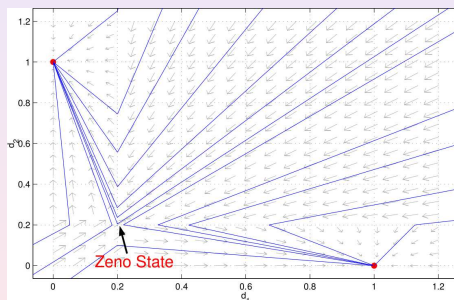
## Delta-Notch: Single Cell Automaton



$f_D$  and  $f_N$  increase Delta and Notch,  $g_D$  and  $g_N$  decrease Delta and Notch, respectively

## Delta-Notch: Two Cells Automaton

It is the Cartesian product of two “single cell” automata



The **Zeno** state can occur only in the case of two cells with **identical** initial concentrations

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### *Naive\_Reachability*(*H*, *Initial\_set*)

*Old*  $\leftarrow \emptyset$

*New*  $\leftarrow$  *Initial\_set*

**while** *New*  $\neq$  *Old* **do**

*Old*  $\leftarrow$  *New*

*New*  $\leftarrow$  *Discrete\_Reach*(*H*, *Continuous\_Reach*(*H*, *Old*))

**return** *Old*

## Bounded Sets and Undecidability

Even if the invariants are **bounded**, **reachability** is **undecidable**

### Proof sketch

Encode two-counter machine by exploiting density:

- each counter value,  $n$ , is represented in a continuous variable by the value  $2^{-n}$
- each control function is mimed by a particular location

## Where is the Problem?

Keeping in mind our examples:

### Question “Meaning”

What is the meaning of these undecidability results?

### Question “Decidability”

Can we avoid undecidability by adding some *natural* hypothesis to the semantics?

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But which real system does involve . . .

- unbounded quantities?
- infinite precision?

Unboundedness and density abstract discrete large quantities

## Dense vs Discrete - Intuition

We do not really want to completely abandon **dense** domains

We need to introduce a **finite** level of **precision** in **bounded dense** domains, we can distinguish two sets only if they differ of “at least  $\epsilon$ ”

Intuitively, we can see that **something new** has been reached only if a **reasonable large** set of new points has been discovered, i.e., we are **myope**

# Dense vs Discrete

## Lemma (Convergence)

*Let  $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^k$  be a bounded set such that  $S = \cup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} D_i$ , with either  $D_i = D_j$  or  $D_i \cap D_j = \emptyset$*

*If there exists  $\epsilon > 0$  such that for each  $i \in \mathbb{N}$  there exists  $a_i$  such that  $B(\{a_i\}, \epsilon) \subseteq D_i$ , then there exists  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $S = \cup_{i \leq j} D_i$*

This is a trivial **compactness-like** result

# Finite Precision Semantics

## Definition ( $\epsilon$ -Semantics)

Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . For each formula  $\psi$ :

- ( $\epsilon$ ) either  $\{\psi\}_\epsilon = \emptyset$  or  $\{\psi\}_\epsilon$  contains an  $\epsilon$ -ball
- ( $\cap$ )  $\{\psi_1 \wedge \psi_2\}_\epsilon \subseteq \{\psi_1\}_\epsilon \cap \{\psi_2\}_\epsilon$
- ( $\cup$ )  $\{\psi_1 \vee \psi_2\}_\epsilon = \{\psi_1\}_\epsilon \cup \{\psi_2\}_\epsilon$
- ( $\neg$ )  $\{\psi\}_\epsilon \cap \{\neg\psi\}_\epsilon = \emptyset$

It is a general framework: there exist many different  $\epsilon$ -semantics



# Reachability

Eps-Reachability( $H, \psi[Z], \{\cdot\}_\epsilon$ )

$R[Z] \leftarrow \psi[Z]$

$May\_New\_R[Z'] \leftarrow \exists Z (\widehat{Reach}^1(Z, Z') \wedge R[Z])$

$New\_R[Z] \leftarrow May\_New\_R[Z] \wedge \neg R[Z]$

**while**( $\{\cdot\}_\epsilon \neq \emptyset$ )

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**return**  $R[Z]$

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### Proof Sketch

Because of condition ( $\epsilon$ ) of  $\epsilon$ -semantics, continuous steps can either:

- increase the reached set by at least  $\epsilon$
- do not increase the reach set

$(\cap)$ ,  $(\cup)$ , and  $(\neg)$  ensure that the sets  $New\_R$  are disjoint

# An Instance of $\epsilon$ -semantics

## Definition

Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . We define  $\llbracket \psi \rrbracket_\epsilon$  by structural induction on  $\psi$  as follows:

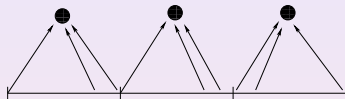
- $\llbracket t_1 \circ t_2 \rrbracket_\epsilon = B(\llbracket t_1 \circ t_2 \rrbracket, \epsilon)$ , for  $\circ \in \{=, <\}$
- $\llbracket \psi_1 \vee \psi_2 \rrbracket_\epsilon = \llbracket \psi_1 \rrbracket_\epsilon \cup \llbracket \psi_2 \rrbracket_\epsilon$
- $\llbracket \psi_1 \wedge \psi_2 \rrbracket_\epsilon = \cup_{B(\{p\}, \epsilon) \subseteq \llbracket \psi_1 \rrbracket_\epsilon \cap \llbracket \psi_2 \rrbracket_\epsilon} B(\{p\}, \epsilon)$
- $\llbracket \exists Z \psi[Z, X] \rrbracket_\epsilon = \cup_{p \in \mathbb{R}} \llbracket \psi[p, X] \rrbracket_\epsilon$
- $\llbracket \forall Z \psi[Z, X] \rrbracket_\epsilon = \cup_{B(\{p\}, \epsilon) \subseteq \cap_{Z \in \mathbb{R}} \llbracket \psi[Z, X] \rrbracket_\epsilon} B(\{p\}, \epsilon)$
- $\llbracket \neg \psi \rrbracket_\epsilon = \cup_{B(\{p\}, \epsilon) \cap \llbracket \psi \rrbracket_\epsilon = \emptyset} B(\{p\}, \epsilon)$

# Conclusions

- Hybrid automata are both **powerful** and **natural** in the modeling of hybrid systems
- May be a little bit **too expressive** . . .
- Real systems always have **finite precision**
- **$\epsilon$ -semantics** introduce a finite precision ingredient in hybrid automata
- Using  $\epsilon$ -semantics we **do not have Zeno behaviors**

# Why not...

... modeling systems over discrete lattices?



**No**, because three main reasons:

- modeling would become harder
- we would increase computational complexity
- we would still assume infinite precision!!! (e.g.,  $0,999\dots9 \neq 1$ )

... using only  $<$  and  $>$  instead of  $=$ ?

**No**, because reachability is still undecidable.

# Under, Over and Demorgan

## Example

Consider the formula  $1 < X < 5$  and  $\epsilon = 0.1$

We have that  $\llbracket 1 < X < 5 \rrbracket_\epsilon = \llbracket 1 < X \wedge X < 5 \rrbracket_\epsilon = (0.9, 5.1)$ ,

Consider the formula  $\neg(1 < X < 5)$

We get that  $\llbracket \neg(1 < X < 5) \rrbracket_\epsilon = (-\infty, 0.9) \cup (5.1, +\infty)$

Notice that this last formula is not equivalent to  $X \leq 1 \vee X \geq 5$   
 whose semantics is  $\llbracket X \leq 1 \vee X \geq 5 \rrbracket_\epsilon = (-\infty, 1.1) \cup (4.9, +\infty)$

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