

A control perspective

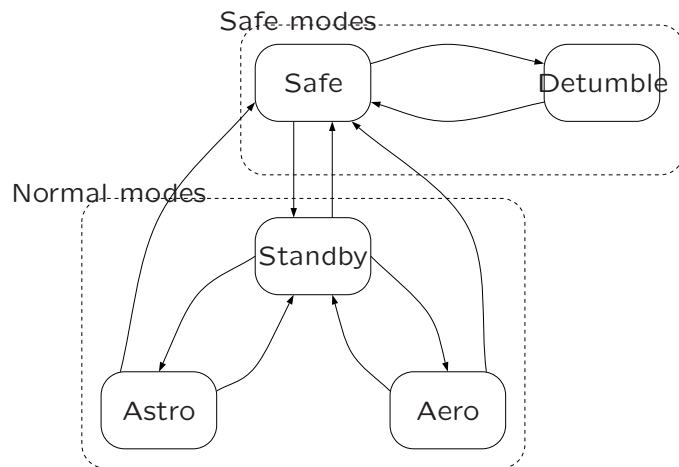
- stability
- synthesis

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- Different operating regions
 - Aircraft (JAS)
- Continuous plant controlled by a switching controller,
 - Satellite (Odin)
- Continuous system controlled by discrete controller
 - Chemical reactor

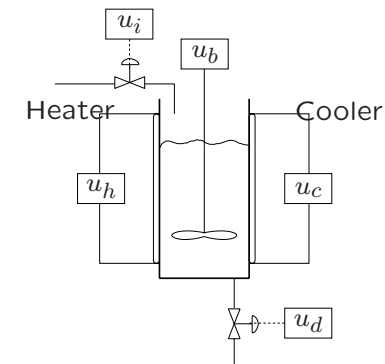
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Example: Satellite



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Example: A chemical reactor



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Linearized system model

$$\dot{h} = -a_h u_d h + b_h u_i$$

$$\dot{T} = -(a_{T_1}(1 - u_b) + a_{T_2} u_b)T + b_{heat} u_h + b_{cool} u_c + b_{reac} u_r$$

where $u_d, u_i, u_b, u_h, u_c, u_r \in \{0, 1\}$.

The variable u_r tells whether the reaction has started; it equals zero when $T < 50$ and one otherwise.

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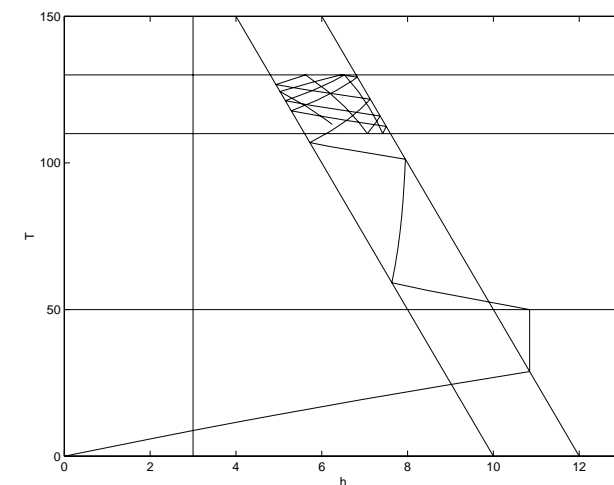
Control design

- *Heater, u_h* : The heater is on when the temperature is below 50 and off otherwise.
- *Cooler, u_c* : The cooler is off while the temperature is below 130, then it is turned on. It stays on while the temperature is above 110.
- *Blender, u_b* : The blender is off when the fluid level is below 4 and on otherwise.

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- *Draining, u_d* : The drain valve is closed when the temperature is below 50 and open otherwise.
- *Inflow, u_i* : The inflow valve is open while the fluid level is below the line γ_3 , then it is closed. It stays closed while the fluid level is above γ_2 .

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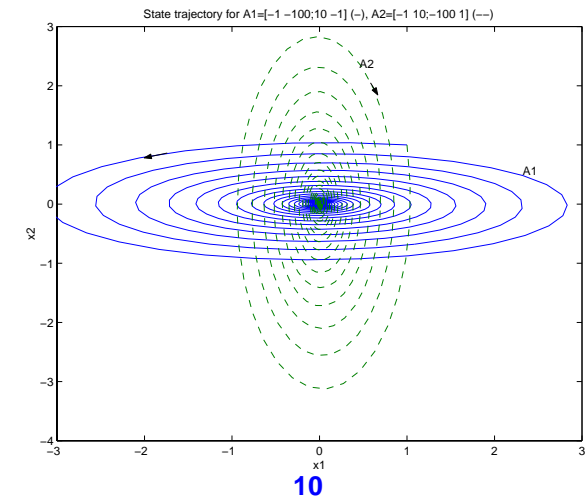
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Stability

- Continuous plant, switching controller
- Even if the different controllers by themselves stabilize the system, the resulting system can be unstable and vice versa!
- Not easy to analyze stability!
- DeCarlo et.al.

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Example



Synthesis: Avoid “bad states” - safety specifications

- Given hybrid automata, find when and how to switch (Asarin et.al.)
- Reachability analysis to avoid “bad” states (Asarin et.al., Tomlin et.al.)
- Abstracting the continuous part \Rightarrow Ramadge-Wonham DEDS - safety spec. (Koutsoukos et.al.)

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Synthesis: optimal control

- Manufacturing - given schedule find optimal control (Pepyne et.al.)
- More general (Bemporad et.al.)

Analysis:

- Benefits of switching controllers (McClamroch et.al.)

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