



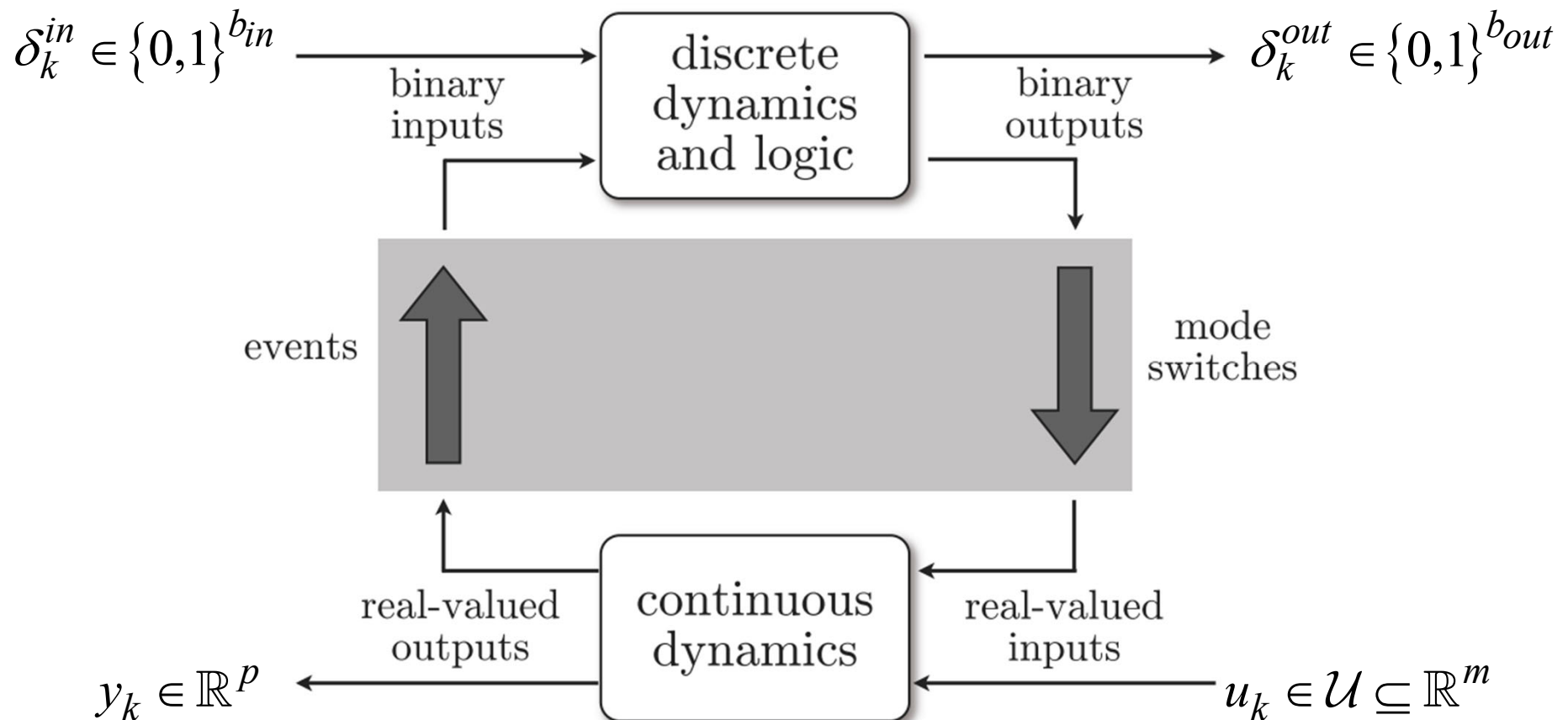
MECH 6v29.002 – Model Predictive Control

L23 – Hybrid MPC

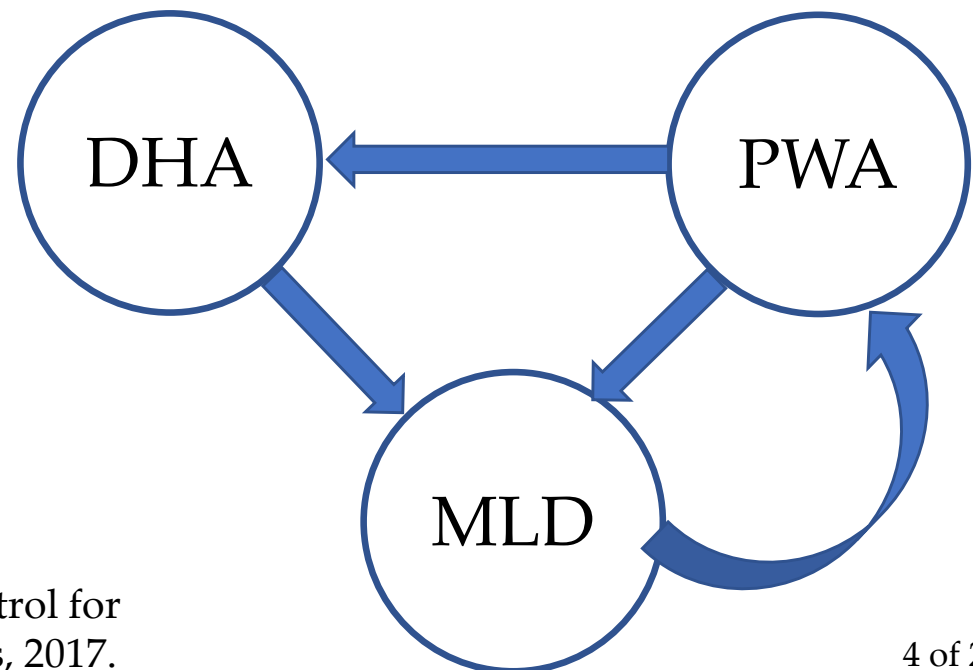
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Hybrid Systems^[1]

- Hybrid systems are a combination of **continuous dynamics** (which we have assumed up to now) and **logic-based discrete dynamics**
 - Not to be confused with continuous-time vs discrete-time dynamics



- We will look at 3 ways of modeling hybrid systems
 - **PWA** – Piecewise Affine systems
 - **DHA** – Discrete Hybrid Automata
 - **MLD** – Mixed Logical Dynamical
- Each form has its advantages
 - DHA – most natural in the **modeling phase**
 - MLD – easiest to **formulate MPC** optimization problem
 - PWA – easiest to **explicitly solve** finite-time optimization problem
- **Model Equivalence**
 - With some assumptions we can convert between different representations



PWA – Piecewise Affine Systems

- Defined by **partitioning** the space of states and inputs into polyhedral regions, where **each region has different linear state and output equations**

- Let there be s different (non-overlapping) regions, where each region is defined as

$$C_i = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ u \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n+m} \mid H_i x + J_i u \leq K_i \right\}$$

- Let the mode of operation i_k correspond to the region to the system operates in at time step k

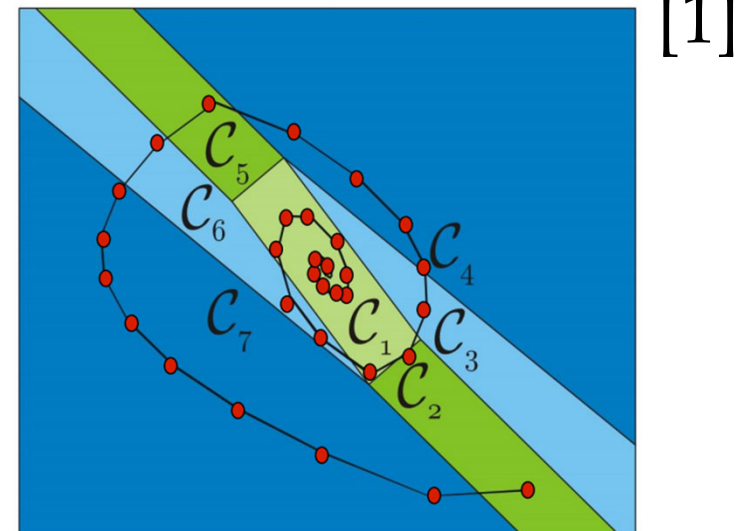
$$i_k \in I = \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$$

- Then the **PWA model** of the system is

$$x_{k+1} = A_{i_k} x_k + B_{i_k} u_k + f_{i_k}$$

$$y_k = C_{i_k} x_k + D_{i_k} u_k + g_{i_k}$$

$$i_k \text{ such that } H_{i_k} x_k + J_{i_k} u_k \leq K_{i_k}$$



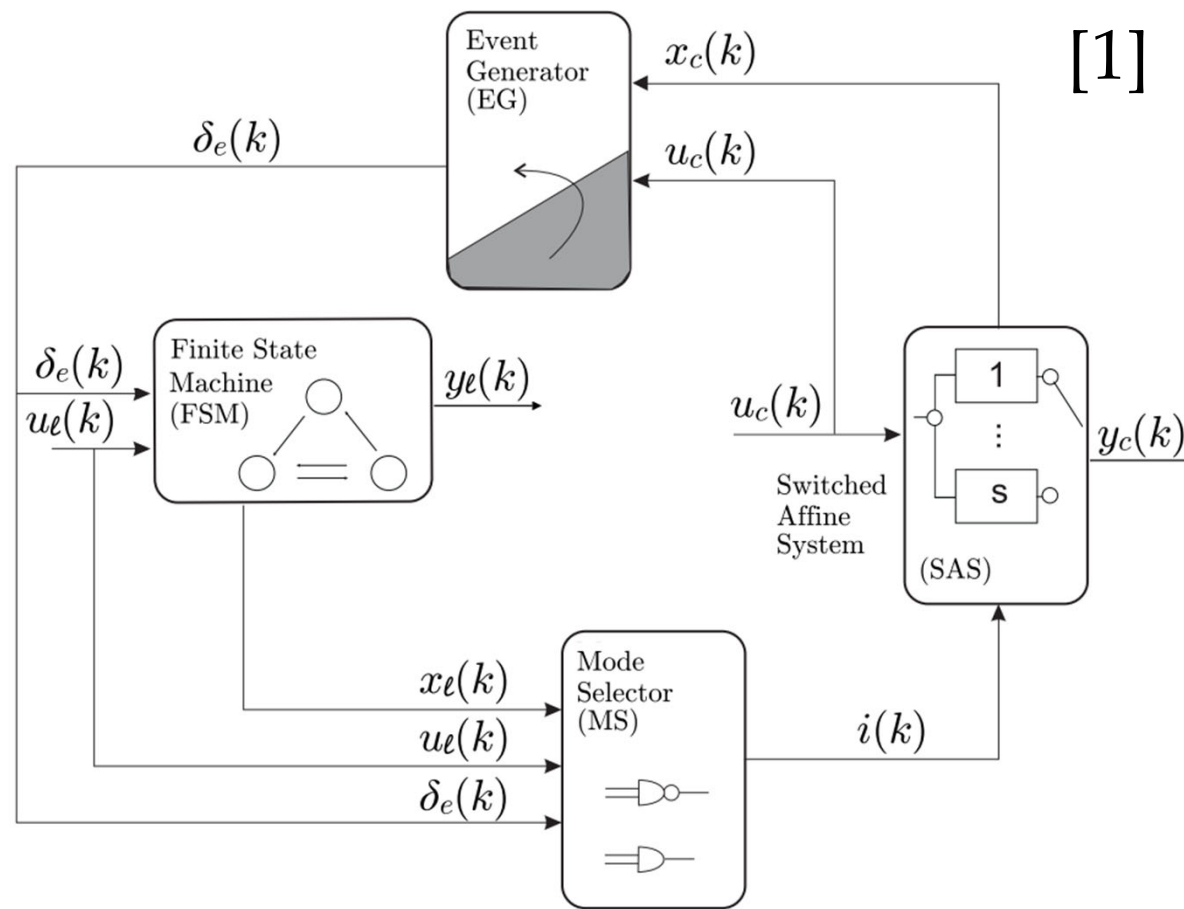
Great way to represent closed-loop system under explicit MPC

[1] Lecture notes by Alberto Bemporad

http://cse.lab.imtlucca.it/~bemporad/teaching/mpc/imt/4-hybrid_models.pdf

DHA – Discrete Hybrid Automata

- Continuous dynamics represented by a Switched Affine System (SAS)
- Discrete dynamics represented by a Finite State Machine (FSM)
- Connected by a Mode Selector and Event Generator



DHA – Discrete Hybrid Automata (cont.)

- **Switched Affine System (SAS)**

- Similar to PWA

$$x_{k+1} = A_{i_k} x_k + B_{i_k} u_k + f_{i_k}$$

$$y_k = C_{i_k} x_k + D_{i_k} u_k + g_{i_k}$$

- But now the mode i_k is an input to the system from the **Mode Selector**

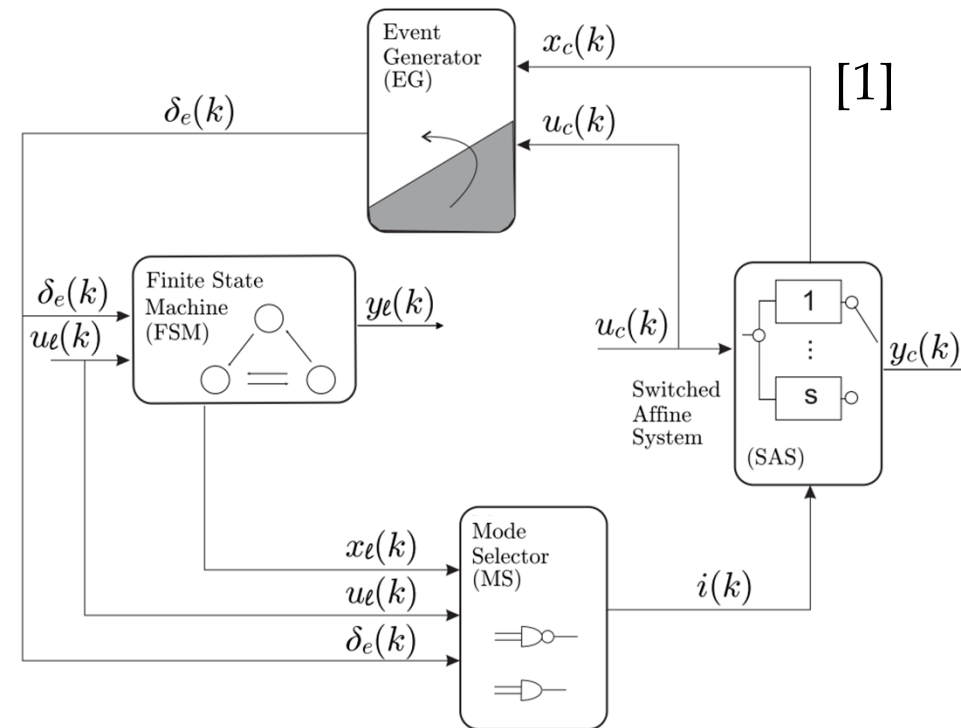
- **Event Generator**

- Triggers events (represented by a binary vector $\delta_e(k) \in \{0,1\}^{n_e}$) based on linear inequalities on states and inputs of SAS

- **Finite State Machine**

- Discrete dynamic process with logic determining Boolean state update

- **Mode Selector** – Determines active mode for SAS at each time step



- We will see that the logical relationships of a DHA can be converted into mixed-integer linear inequalities, resulting in an **MLD system**

$$x_{k+1} = Ax_k + B_1u_k + B_2\delta_k + B_3z_k + B_5$$

$$y_k = Cx_k + D_1u_k + D_2\delta_k + D_3z_k + D_5$$

$$E_2\delta_k + E_3z_k \leq E_1u_k + E_4x_k + E_5$$

$x_k \in \mathbb{R}^{n_c} \times \{0,1\}^{n_l}$ - combination of continuous and binary states

$u_k \in \mathbb{R}^{m_c} \times \{0,1\}^{m_l}$ - combination of continuous and binary inputs

$y_k \in \mathbb{R}^{p_c} \times \{0,1\}^{p_l}$ - combination of continuous and binary outputs

$\delta_k \in \{0,1\}^{r_l}$ - auxiliary binary variables

$z_k \in \{0,1\}^{r_c}$ - auxiliary continuous variables

- **Extremely general and expressive**

Example – PWA to MLD^[1]

- Consider the system

$$x_{k+1} = \begin{cases} 0.8x_k + u_k & \text{if } x(k) \geq 0 \\ -0.8x_k + u_k & \text{if } x(k) < 0 \end{cases}$$

- Note that this is the same as the nonlinear system $x_{k+1} = 0.8|x_k| + u_k$
- Strict inequalities can be handled by introducing a small number (e.g. the machine precision, eps in MATLAB)

$$x_{k+1} = \begin{cases} 0.8x_k + u_k & \text{if } x(k) \geq 0 \\ -0.8x_k + u_k & \text{if } x(k) \leq -\varepsilon \end{cases} \begin{matrix} \text{Mode 1} \\ \text{Mode 2} \end{matrix}$$

- Introduce an event (or mode) variable

$$\delta_k \in \{0,1\} \quad \delta_k = 1 \Leftrightarrow x_k \geq 0 \quad (\text{Mode 1})$$

$$\delta_k = 0 \Leftrightarrow x_k \leq -\varepsilon \quad (\text{Mode 2})$$

Example – PWA to MLD^[1] (cont.)



- Use **big-M technique**

$$\delta_k = 1 \Leftrightarrow x_k \geq 0 \quad (\text{Mode 1})$$

$$\delta_k = 0 \Leftrightarrow x_k \leq -\varepsilon \quad (\text{Mode 2})$$

$$x_{k+1} = \begin{cases} 0.8x_k + u_k & \text{if } x(k) \geq 0 \\ -0.8x_k + u_k & \text{if } x(k) \leq -\varepsilon \end{cases}$$

- Introduce large number M (large depends on the problem)

$$x_k \geq -M(1 - \delta_k) \quad \delta_k = 1 \Rightarrow x_k \geq -M(1 - 1) = 0$$

$$x_k \leq -\varepsilon + M\delta_k \quad x_k \geq 0 \Rightarrow 0 \leq -\varepsilon + M\delta_k \Rightarrow \delta_k = 1$$

- M is used to relax (remove) inequality constraint corresponding to inactive mode

Example – PWA to MLD^[1] (cont.)



- Now look at the dynamics

$$x_{k+1} = \underbrace{(0.8x_k + u_k)}_{\text{Mode 1}} \delta_k + \underbrace{(-0.8x_k + u_k)}_{\text{Mode 2}} (1 - \delta_k) \quad x_{k+1} = \begin{cases} 0.8x_k + u_k & \text{if } x(k) \geq 0 \\ -0.8x_k + u_k & \text{if } x(k) \leq -\varepsilon \end{cases}$$

$$\delta_k = 1 \Leftrightarrow x_k \geq 0 \quad (\text{Mode 1})$$

$$\delta_k = 0 \Leftrightarrow x_k \leq -\varepsilon \quad (\text{Mode 2})$$

$$x_{k+1} = 0.8\delta_k x_k - 0.8x_k + 0.8\delta_k x_k + \delta_k u_k + u_k - \delta_k u_k$$

$$x_{k+1} = 1.6\delta_k x_k - 0.8x_k + u_k$$

$$x_k \geq -M(1 - \delta_k)$$

- Introduce auxiliary variable $z_k = \delta_k x_k$

$$x_k \leq -\varepsilon + M\delta_k$$

$$x_{k+1} = 1.6z_k - 0.8x_k + u_k \quad \text{Dynamics are linear now!}$$

- Can write $z_k = \delta_k x_k$ in terms of linear inequalities

$$z_k = \delta_k x_k \quad \text{if } \delta_k = 0, \text{ then } z_k = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{aligned} z_k &\leq M\delta_k \\ z_k &\geq -M\delta_k \end{aligned} \quad \text{Constraints "go away" if } \delta_k = 1$$

$$\text{if } \delta_k = 1, \text{ then } z_k = x_k \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{aligned} z_k &\leq x_k + M(1 - \delta_k) \\ z_k &\geq x_k - M(1 - \delta_k) \end{aligned} \quad \text{Constraints "go away" if } \delta_k = 0$$

Example – PWA to MLD^[1] (cont.)

- Summary

PWA

$$x_{k+1} = \begin{cases} 0.8x_k + u_k & \text{if } x(k) \geq 0 \\ -0.8x_k + u_k & \text{if } x(k) \leq -\varepsilon \end{cases}$$



$$x_{k+1} = 1.6z_k - 0.8x_k + u_k$$

$$x_k \geq -M(1 - \delta_k)$$

$$x_k \leq -\varepsilon + M\delta_k$$

$$z_k \leq M\delta_k$$

$$z_k \geq -M\delta_k$$

$$z_k \leq x_k + M(1 - \delta_k)$$

$$z_k \geq x_k - M(1 - \delta_k)$$



MLD

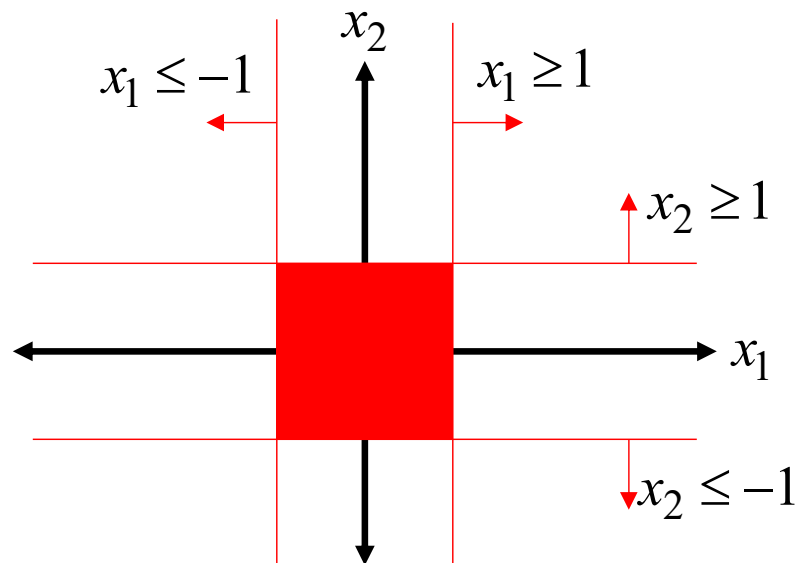
$$x_{k+1} = Ax_k + B_1u_k + B_2\delta_k + B_3z_k + B_5$$

$$y_k = Cx_k + D_1u_k + D_2\delta_k + D_3z_k + D_5$$

$$E_2\delta_k + E_3z_k \leq E_1u_k + E_4x_k + E_5$$

- As we have seen, we will often need to **convert logic operations into the equivalent mixed-integer inequalities**
- Define the binary variables $\delta_1, \delta_2 \in \{0,1\}$
- Recast the Boolean operators into the equivalent linear constraints
 - AND $\delta_1 \wedge \delta_2 \iff \delta_1 = 1, \delta_2 = 1 \quad \text{or} \quad \delta_1 + \delta_2 \geq 2$
 - OR $\delta_1 \vee \delta_2 \iff \delta_1 + \delta_2 \geq 1$
 - NOT $\sim \delta_1 \iff \delta_1 = 0$
 - XOR $\delta_1 \oplus \delta_2 \iff \delta_1 + \delta_2 = 1$
 - IMPLY $\delta_1 \rightarrow \delta_2 \iff \delta_1 \leq \delta_2$
 - IFF $\delta_1 \leftrightarrow \delta_2 \iff \delta_1 = \delta_2$

- For robot control applications, it is common to ask the robot to avoid obstacles and other robots.
- In an MPC framework, the set of feasible solutions is no longer convex
 - There is a hole in it corresponding to the obstacle
- Binary variables can be used to represent this nonconvex set using linear inequality constraints



$$\delta_1 = 1 \rightarrow x_1 \geq 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x_1 \geq 1 - M(1 - \delta_1)$$

$$\delta_2 = 1 \rightarrow x_1 \leq -1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x_1 \leq -1 + M(1 - \delta_2)$$

$$\delta_3 = 1 \rightarrow x_2 \geq 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x_2 \geq 1 - M(1 - \delta_3)$$

$$\delta_4 = 1 \rightarrow x_2 \leq -1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x_2 \leq -1 + M(1 - \delta_4)$$

- Need at least one to be true $\delta_1 + \delta_2 + \delta_3 + \delta_4 \geq 1$
- Could do this with only 2 binary variables [1]

Hybrid MPC using MLDs

- Our standard finite-time optimal control problem can be written using an MLD model

$$J_0^*(x_0) = \min_{U_0, \Delta_0, Z_0} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x_k^T Q x_k + u_k^T R u_k + x_N^T P x_N$$

$$s.t. \quad \forall k \in \{0, 1, \dots, N-1\}$$

$$x_{k+1} = A x_k + B_1 u_k + B_2 \delta_k + B_3 z_k + B_5,$$

$$y_k = C x_k + D_1 u_k + D_2 \delta_k + D_3 z_k + D_5,$$

$$E_2 \delta_k + E_3 z_k \leq E_1 u_k + E_4 x_k + E_5,$$

$$x_0 = x(0)$$

$$U_0 = \begin{bmatrix} u_0 \\ u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Delta_0 = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_0 \\ \delta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \delta_{N-1} \end{bmatrix}, \quad Z_0 = \begin{bmatrix} z_0 \\ z_1 \\ \vdots \\ z_{N-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Hybrid MPC using MLDs (cont.)



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$$s.t. \quad \forall k \in \{0, 1, \dots, N-1\}$$

- Note that since our **state update equation is linear**, we can rewrite future states just like we did for the linear system case

$$x_{k+1} = A x_k + B_1 u_k + B_2 \delta_k + B_3 z_k + B_5,$$

$$y_k = C x_k + D_1 u_k + D_2 \delta_k + D_3 z_k + D_5,$$

$$E_2 \delta_k + E_3 z_k \leq E_1 u_k + E_4 x_k + E_5,$$

$$x_0 = x(0)$$

$$x_k = A^k x_0 + \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} A^j \left(B_1 u_{k-1-j} + B_2 \delta_{k-1-j} + B_3 z_{k-1-j} + B_5 \right)$$

- Therefore, we can cast it into the more general **Mixed-Integer Quadratic Programming (MIQP)** problem

$$J_0^*(x_0) = \min_{\xi} \frac{1}{2} \xi^T H \xi + x(0)^T F^T \xi + x(0)^T Y x(0)$$

$$s.t. \quad G \xi \leq W + S x(0)$$

- With a mixture of continuous and binary variables $\xi = \begin{bmatrix} U_0 \\ \Delta_0 \\ Z_0 \end{bmatrix}$

Example – Double Integrator Vehicle



- Consider the 2 dimensional double-integrator vehicle with the following states and inputs

x_1 = position in x direction

u_1 = force in x direction

x_2 = velocity in x direction

u_2 = force in y direction

x_3 = position in y direction

x_4 = velocity in y direction

$$x_{k+1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x_k + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} u_k \quad -0.1 \leq u_k \leq 0.1$$

```
% Double Integrator in 2D
n = 4;
m = 2;
A = [1 1 0 0; 0 1 0 0; 0 0 1 1; 0 0 0 1];
B = [0 0; 1 0; 0 0; 0 1];
x0 = [-10; 0; 0.5; 0];
Q = eye(n);
R = eye(m);
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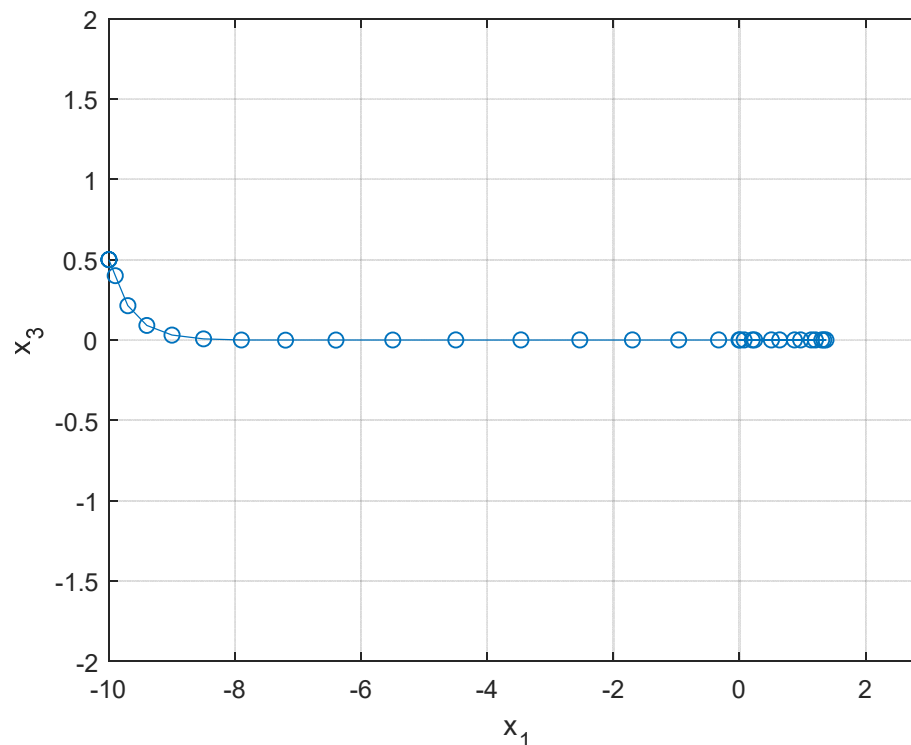
Example – Double Integrator Vehicle (cont.)

- Standard QP MPC formulation

```
%% Controller formulation
N = 10;
u_ = sdpvar(repmat(m,1,N), repmat(1,1,N));
x_ = sdpvar(repmat(n,1,N+1), repmat(1,1,N+1));

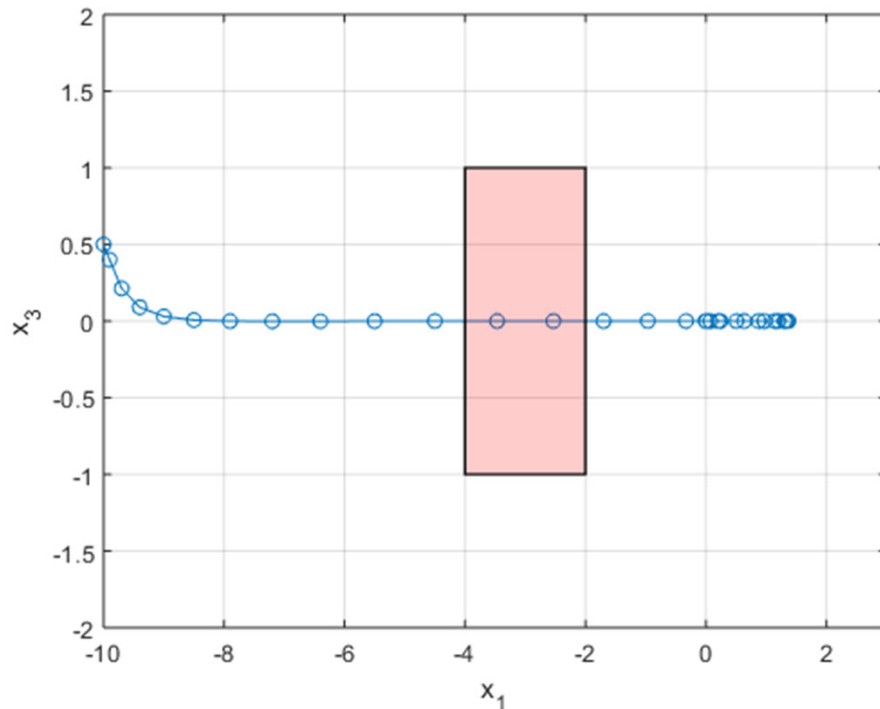
constraints = [];
objective = 0;
for k = 1:N
    objective = objective + x_{k}'*Q*x_{k} + u_{k}'*R*u_{k};
    constraints = [constraints, x_{k+1} == A*x_{k} + B*u_{k}];
    constraints = [constraints, -0.1 <= u_{k} <= 0.1];
end

controller = optimizer(constraints, objective, sdpsettings('solver', 'gurobi'), x_{1}, u_{1});
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Example – Double Integrator Vehicle (cont.)

- Add an obstacle



$$\delta_1 = 1 \rightarrow x_1 \geq -2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x_1 \geq -2 - M(1 - \delta_1)$$

$$\delta_2 = 1 \rightarrow x_1 \leq -4 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x_1 \leq -4 + M(1 - \delta_2)$$

$$\delta_3 = 1 \rightarrow x_3 \geq 1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x_3 \geq 1 - M(1 - \delta_3)$$

$$\delta_4 = 1 \rightarrow x_3 \leq -1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad x_3 \leq -1 + M(1 - \delta_4)$$

$$\delta_1 + \delta_2 + \delta_3 + \delta_4 \geq 1$$

Example – Double Integrator Vehicle (cont.)

- MIQP MPC formulation

```
%% Controller formulation
N = 10;
u_ = sdpvar(repmat(m,1,N), repmat(1,1,N));
x_ = sdpvar(repmat(n,1,N+1), repmat(1,1,N+1));
b_ = binvar(repmat(4,1,N), repmat(1,1,N));
bigM = 20;

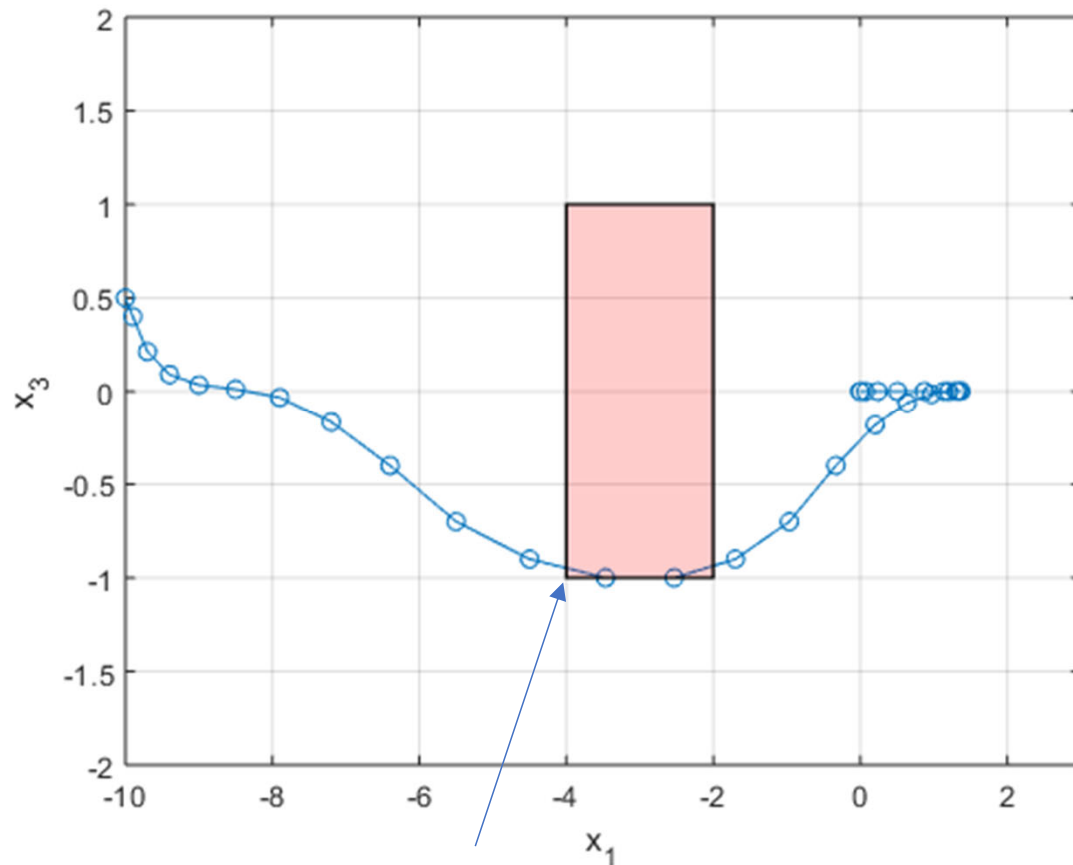
constraints = [];
objective = 0;
for k = 1:N
    objective = objective + x_{k}'*Q*x_{k} + u_{k}'*R*u_{k};
    constraints = [constraints, x_{k+1} == A*x_{k} + B*u_{k}];
    constraints = [constraints, -0.1 <= u_{k} <= 0.1];
    constraints = [constraints, x_{k}(1) >= -2 - bigM*(1-b_{k}(1))];
    constraints = [constraints, x_{k}(1) <= -4 + bigM*(1-b_{k}(2))];
    constraints = [constraints, x_{k}(3) >= 1 - bigM*(1-b_{k}(3))];
    constraints = [constraints, x_{k}(3) <= -1 + bigM*(1-b_{k}(4))];
    constraints = [constraints, sum(b_{k}) >= 1];
end

controller = optimizer(constraints, objective, sdpsettings('solver', 'gurobi'), x_{1}, u_{1});
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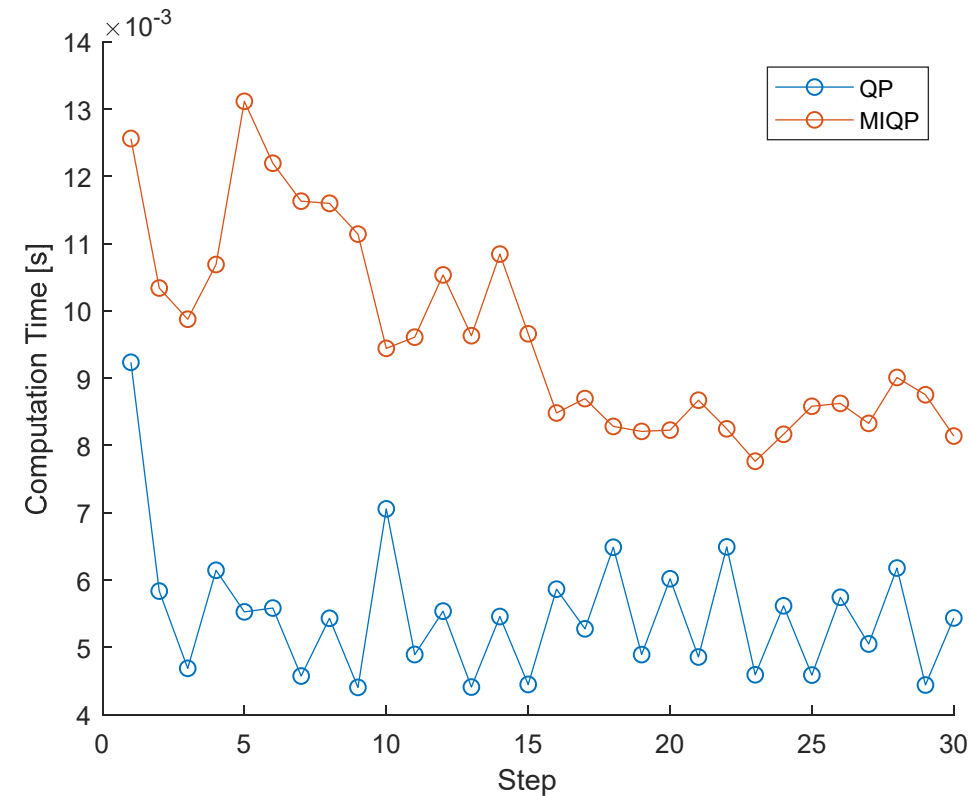
Example – Double Integrator Vehicle (cont.)



- MIQP MPC formulation



Can fix this “corner cutting” or “step over” by enlarging obstacle [1]



4x10 – states

2x10 – inputs

4x10 – binary variables

[1] Y. Kuwata, Real-time Trajectory Design for Unmanned Aerial Vehicles using Receding Horizon Control, M.S. Thesis, MIT, 2003.