

# Counter-Example Guided Inductive Synthesis Approach for Stabilization

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# Problem

Dynamical  
System

$$\dot{x} = f(x)$$

$$\dot{x} = f(x, u)$$

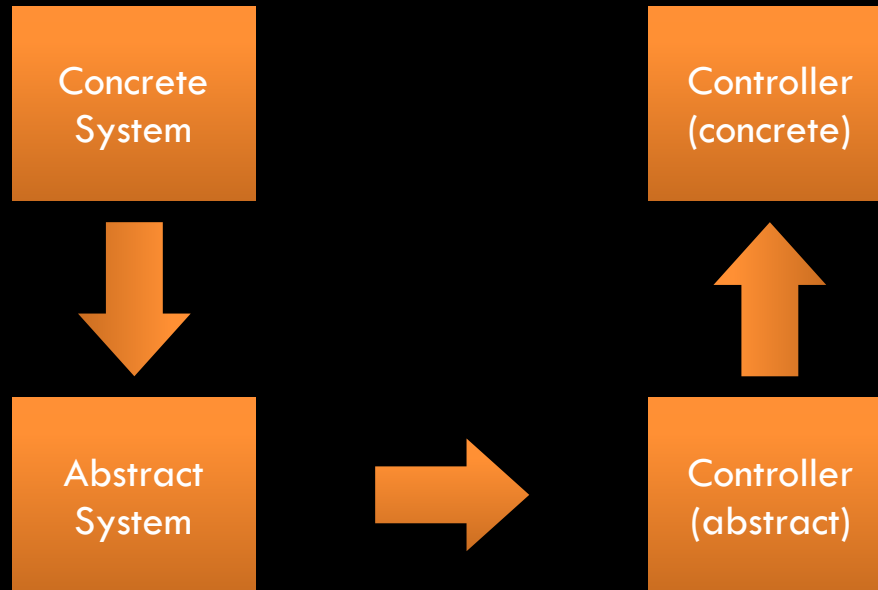
Property

Stability

# Abstraction Vs Constraint based Approaches

## Abstraction-Based

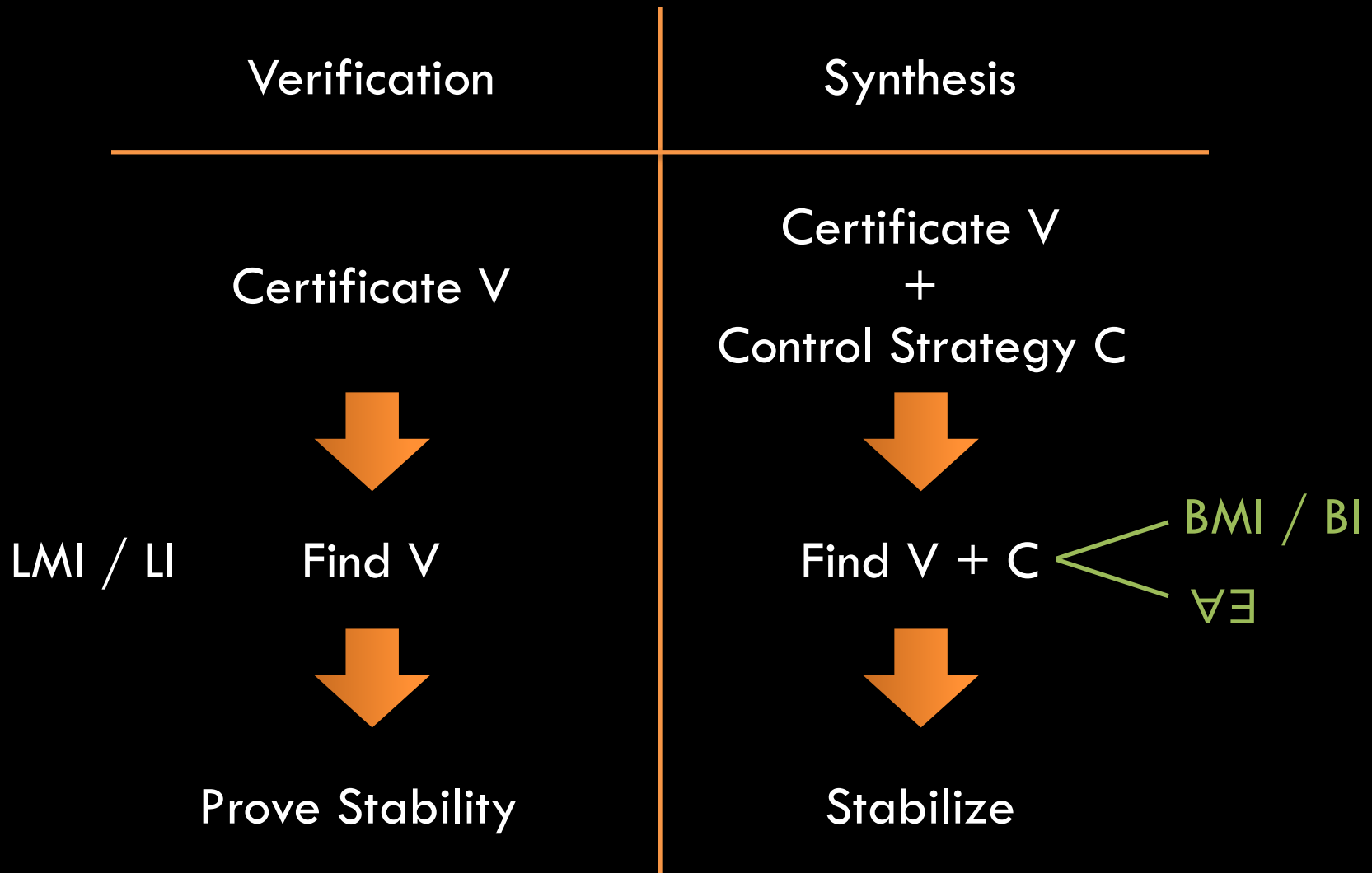
- PESSOA
- CoSyMA
- TuLiP
- HyNeSs
- ...



## Constraint-Based

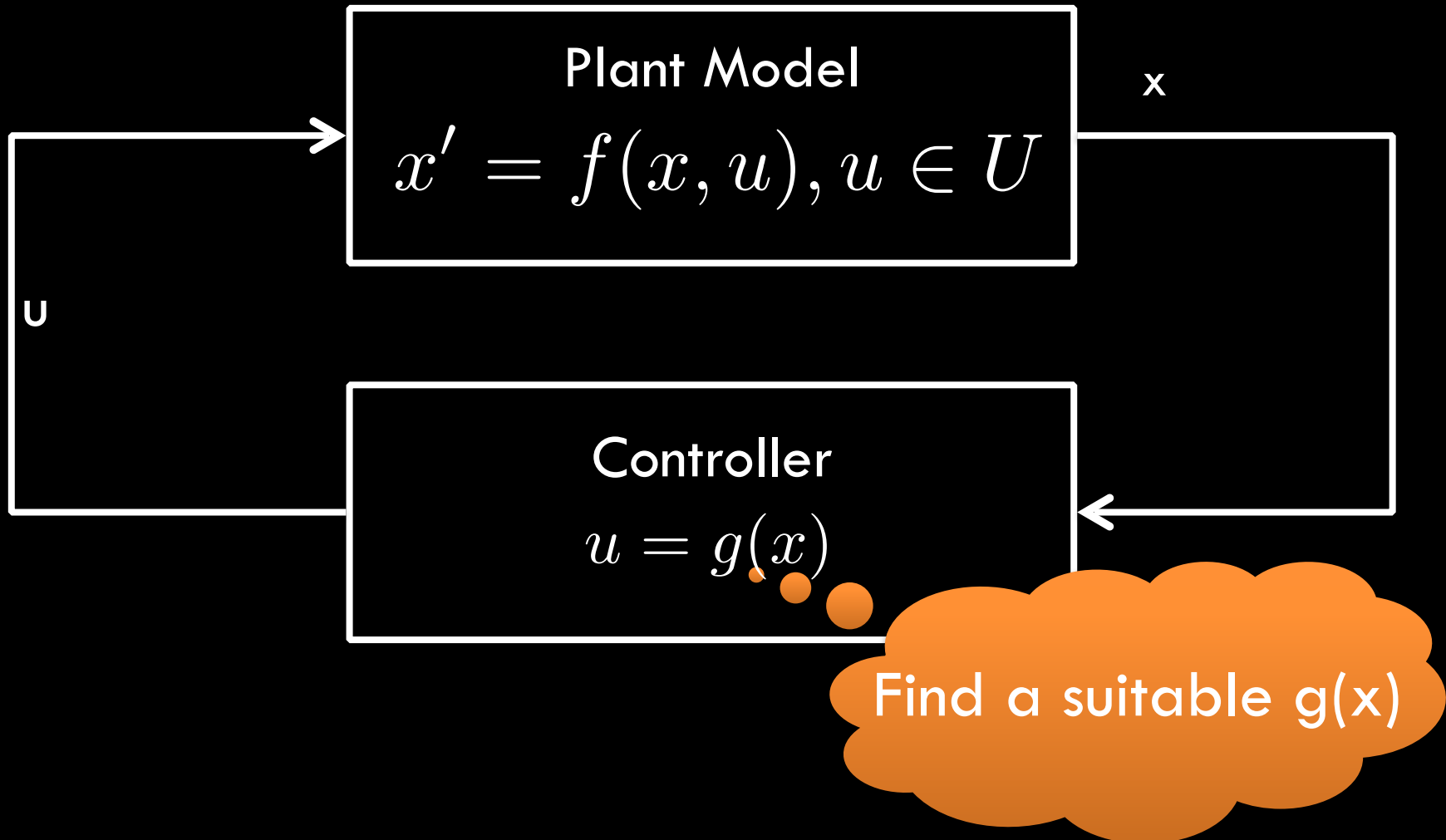


# Constraint Based Techniques

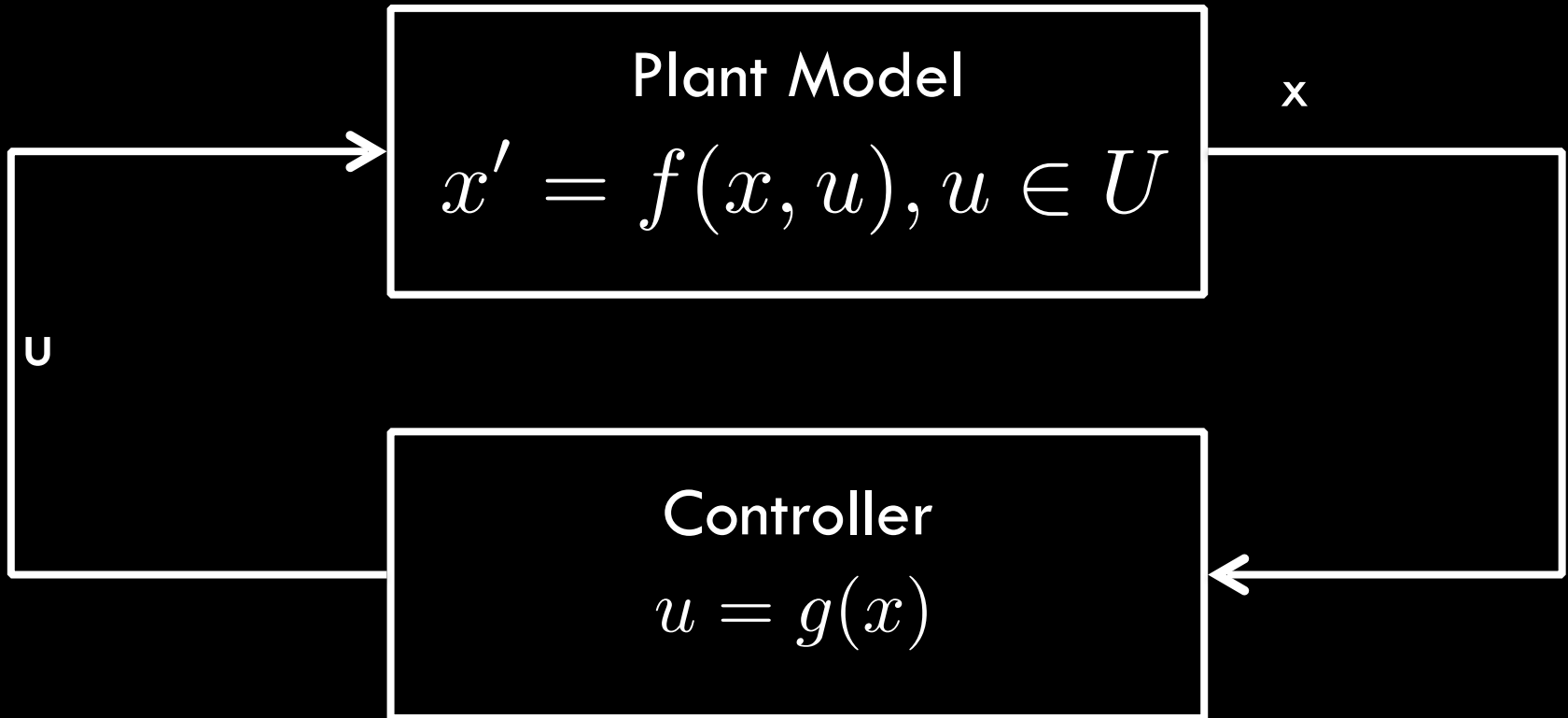


# Synthesis for Stabilization

# Problem Setup

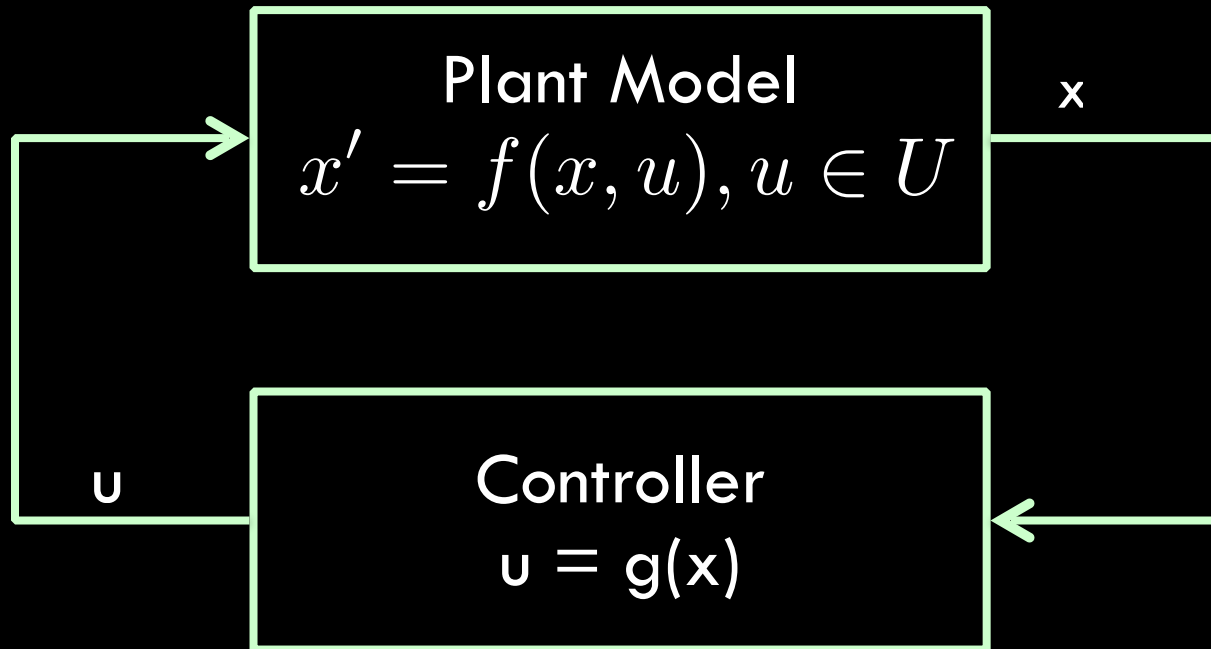


# Problem Setup



Find  $g(x)$  s.t. closed loop  $x' = f(x, g(x))$  is asymp. stable

# Static Feedback



$$V(x) = \sum_i c_i x^i$$

BMI / BI

$$g(x) = \sum_i \theta_i x^i$$

[Tan & Packard, El Ghaoui & Balakrishnan, Ben Sassi + S]

V-K iterations



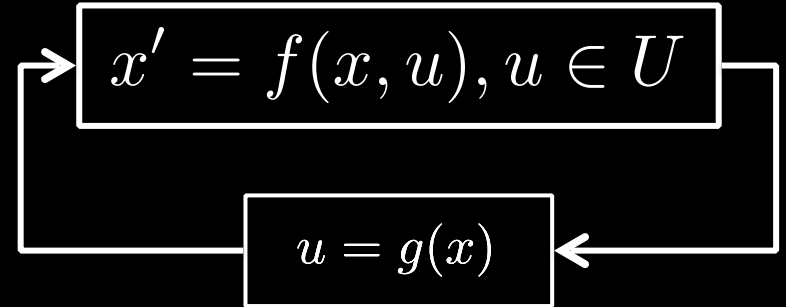
# Control Lyapunov Function

- Lyapunov function:  $V(x)$  [Artstein; Sontag; ...]
- $V(x)$  is positive definite.
- A **control input chosen** s.t. derivative is negative definite.

$$\underbrace{(\forall x \neq x^*)}_{\forall} \underbrace{(\exists u \in U)}_{\exists} V'(x) = \nabla_x V(x) \cdot f(x, u) < 0$$

# From CLF to controller

Option #1: Extract  $g$  from CLF

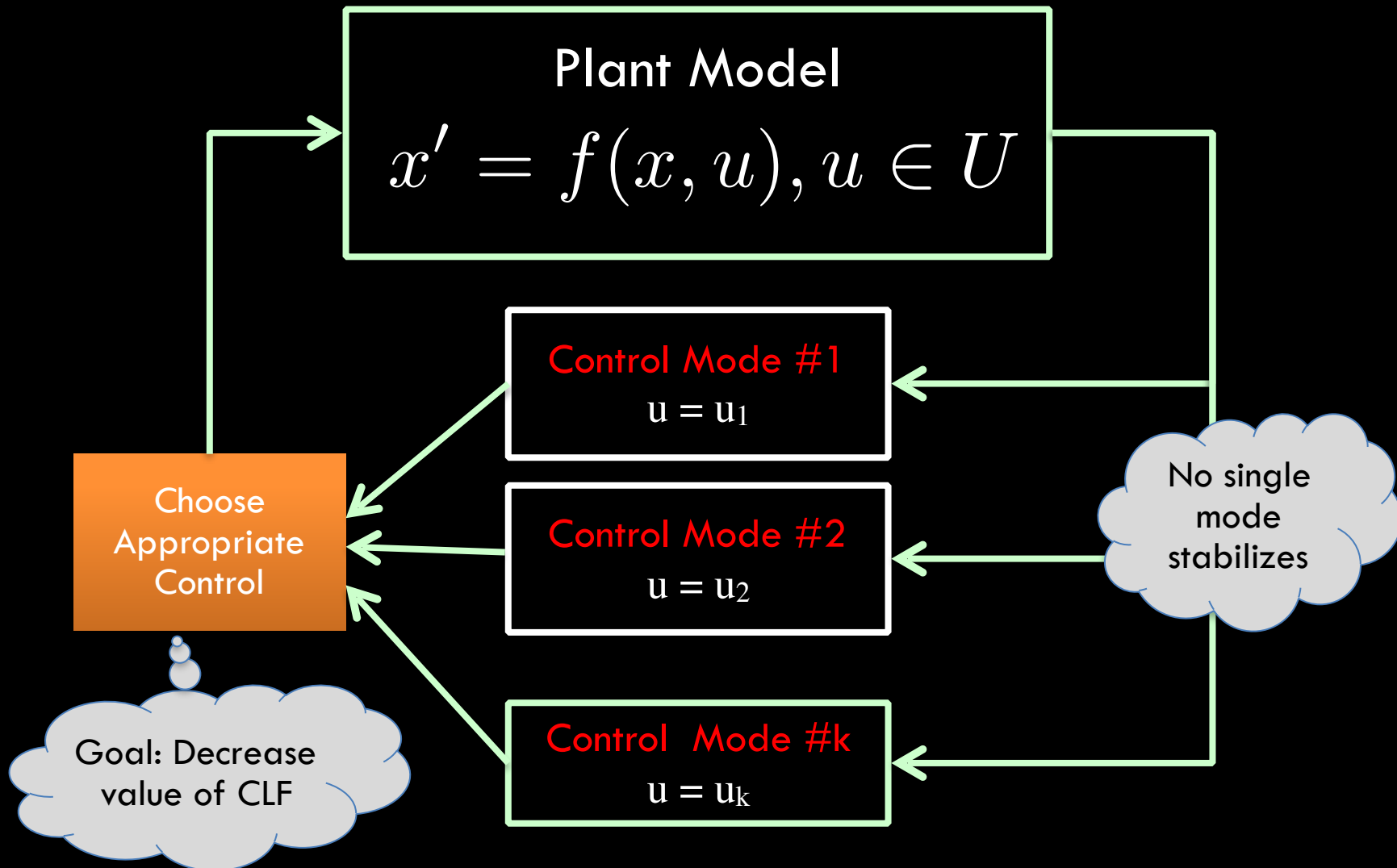


[Sontag 1989]

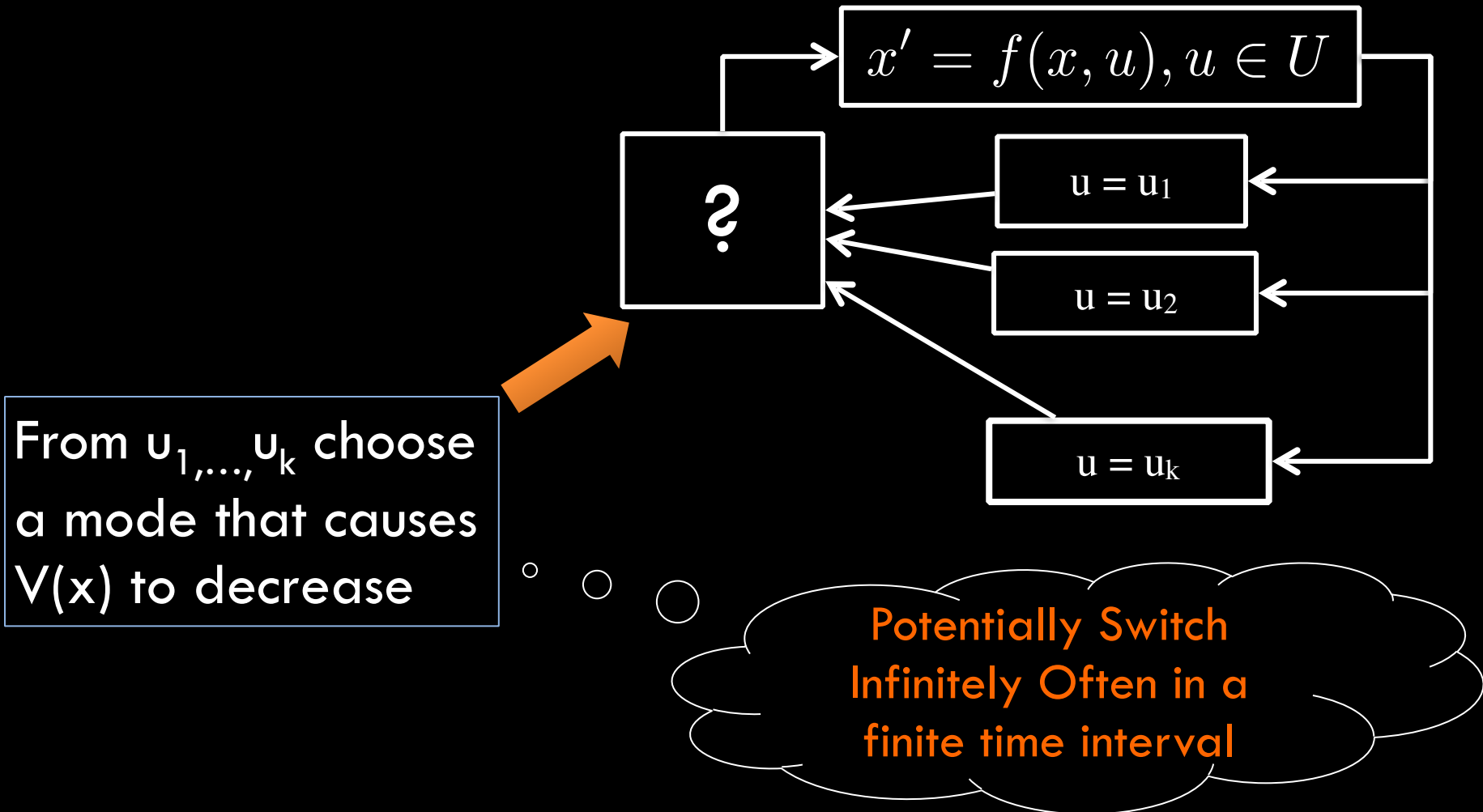
Option #2 : Dynamically choose  $u$

**Control affine inside Polytopes: finitely many value for  $u$**

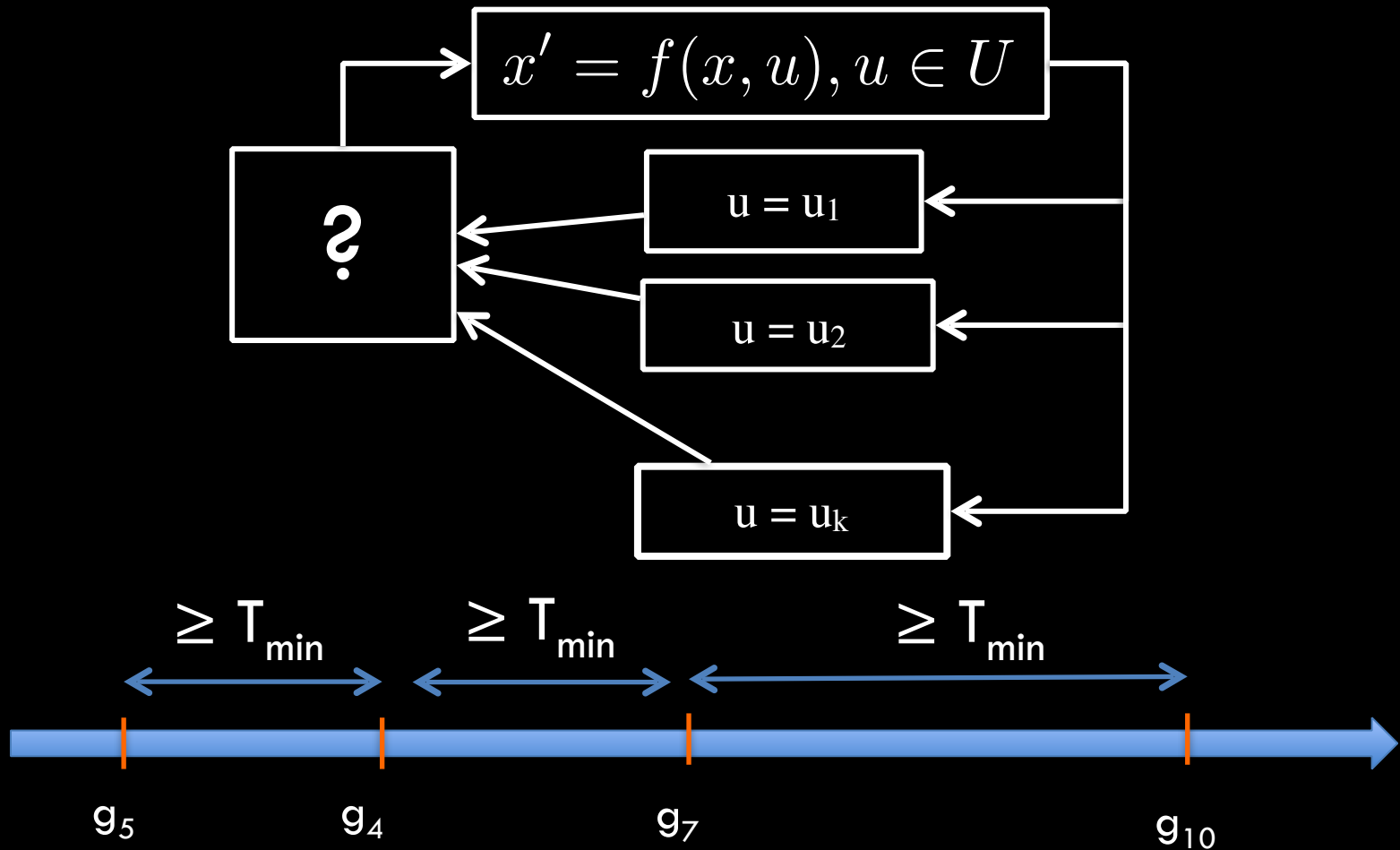
# Switched Stabilization



# Issue: Zenoness



# Minimum Dwell Time Switching



# Contribution\*

- Define restrictions on CLF  $V$  s.t.
  - $V(x)$  allows a switching strategy with a minimal dwell time.
  - Provide a lower bound for the minimal dwell time.

$$V(x) \geq \epsilon ||x||_2^2$$

$$V'(x) \leq -\hat{\epsilon}\varphi(x)$$

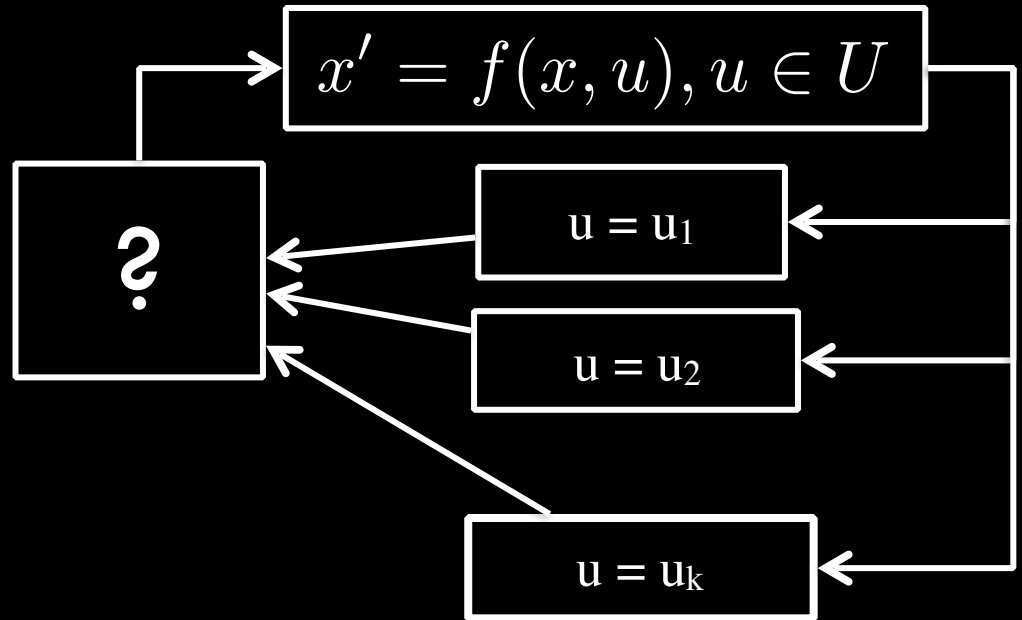
Some relation between  $V''$  and  $\varphi$

# Main Contribution

Discovering CLFs ( $\forall\exists$ )

Counter-Example Guided Inductive  
Synthesis.

# CLF Conditions for the Switched Case



$$(\forall x \neq x^*) V(x) \geq \epsilon ||x||_2^2$$

$$(\forall x \neq x^*)(\exists i \in \{1, \dots, k\})$$

$$(\nabla V) f(x, u_k) \leq -\hat{\epsilon} \varphi(x)$$

$V$  can be made to decrease by some choice of  $u_i$



# Synthesizing CLFs

- Fix a template (ansatz) for the CLF with unknown coefficients.

$$V(x_1, x_2) : c_0 + c_1 x_1 + c_2 x_2 + c_3 x_1 x_2 + c_4 x_1^2 + c_5 x_2^2$$

- Enforce CLF constraints on the unknown form.

$$(\exists \vec{c}) (\forall \vec{x}) (\exists i \in [1, k]) \cdots$$

SOS relaxations  
cannot be used.

More Complex  
Constraints.

# CEGIS Approach

Constraints to be solved:

[Solar-Lezama, Alur,...]

$$(\exists c) (\forall x) \psi(c, x)$$



Template  
Parameters

System States

Iterative Procedure:

- Finite set  $X_i : \{x_1, \dots, x_k\}$
- Instantiate the  $\forall$  quantifier

# Basic CEGIS Loop

$$\boxed{(\exists c)} \boxed{(\forall x)} \psi(c, x)$$

1. Check SATisfiability of the formula:

$$(\exists c) \psi(c, x_1) \wedge \psi(c, x_2) \wedge \dots \wedge \psi(c, x_k)$$



**SAT,  $c_k$**

**SAT,  $x_{k+1}$**



2. Check SATisfiability of

$$(\exists x) \neg \psi(c_k, x)$$



**UNSAT,  
Failure**

**UNSAT, Success**



# Applying CEGIS to synthesis CLFs

$$(\exists c) (\forall x \neq x^*) \left[ \begin{array}{l} V(x) \geq \epsilon ||x||_2^2 \\ \bigvee_{i=1}^k (\nabla V) f(x, u_i) \leq -\hat{\epsilon} \varphi(x) \end{array} \right]$$

1. When  $x$  is instantiated:

$$(\exists c) \psi(c, x_1) \wedge \psi(c, x_2) \wedge \dots \wedge \psi(c, x_k)$$

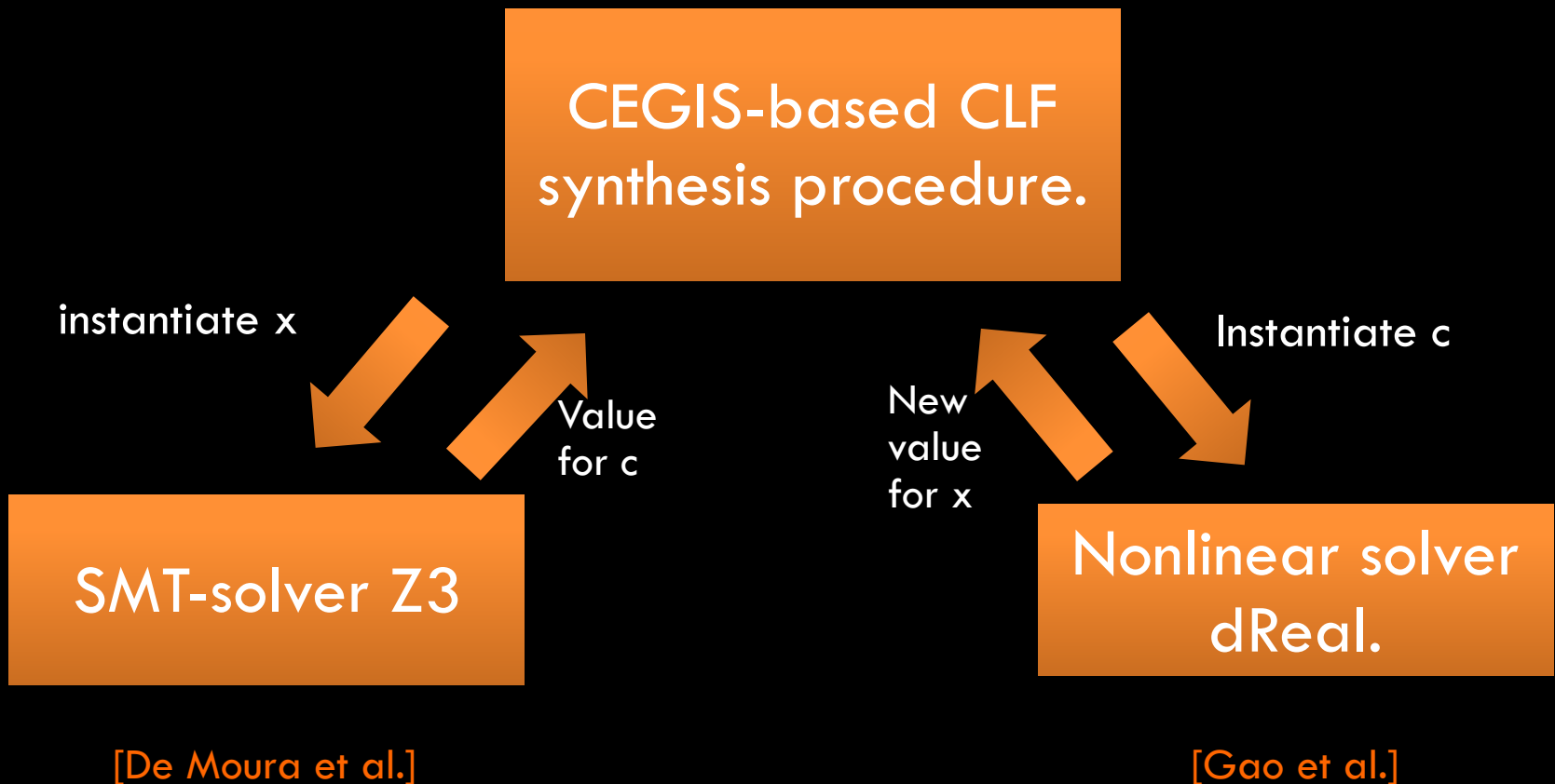
Linear Arithmetic over  $c$ .

2. When  $c$  is instantiated,

$$(\exists x) \neg \psi(c_k, x)$$

non-linear arithmetic over  $x$ .

# Integrating SMT solvers



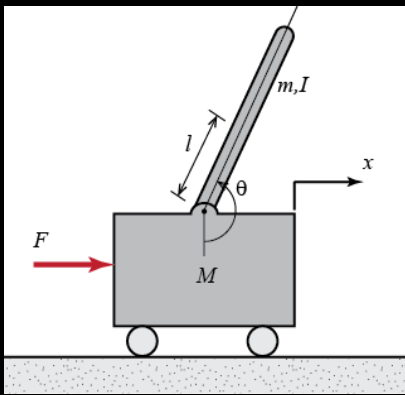
# CEGIS: novelties

- CEGIS procedure is off-the-shelf. But
  - Prove *eventual termination* of the CEGIS procedure for our problem.
  - Provide heuristics to speedup termination by choosing the good counter-examples.

# RESULTS

# Inverted Pendulum: Bang-Bang Control Synthesis

$$\dot{\theta} = \omega, \quad \dot{\omega} = \frac{g}{l} \sin(\theta) - \frac{h}{ml^2} \omega + \frac{1}{ml} \cos(\theta) u,$$



$$g = 9.8, h = 2, l = 2 \text{ and } m = 0.5$$

Control Mode #1:  $u = +30$

Control Mode #2:  $u = -30$

<http://ctms.engin.umich.edu/CTMS/>

$$V([\theta \ \omega]^T) = 10\theta^2 + 1.5312\theta\omega + 2.5859\omega^2$$



# Discrete Controller

- min-dwell time  $\delta$
- control sampling time  $\tau$

- $\delta \geq 0.0002s$



Derive a lower-bound on  $\delta$

- $\tau = 0.0002s$  ( $\tau \leq \delta$ )

# Controller for Inverted Pendulum

$$\dot{\omega} = \frac{g}{l} \sin(\theta) - \frac{h}{ml^2} \omega + \frac{1}{ml} \cos(\theta) u$$
$$\dot{\theta} = \omega$$

$\omega$

$\theta$

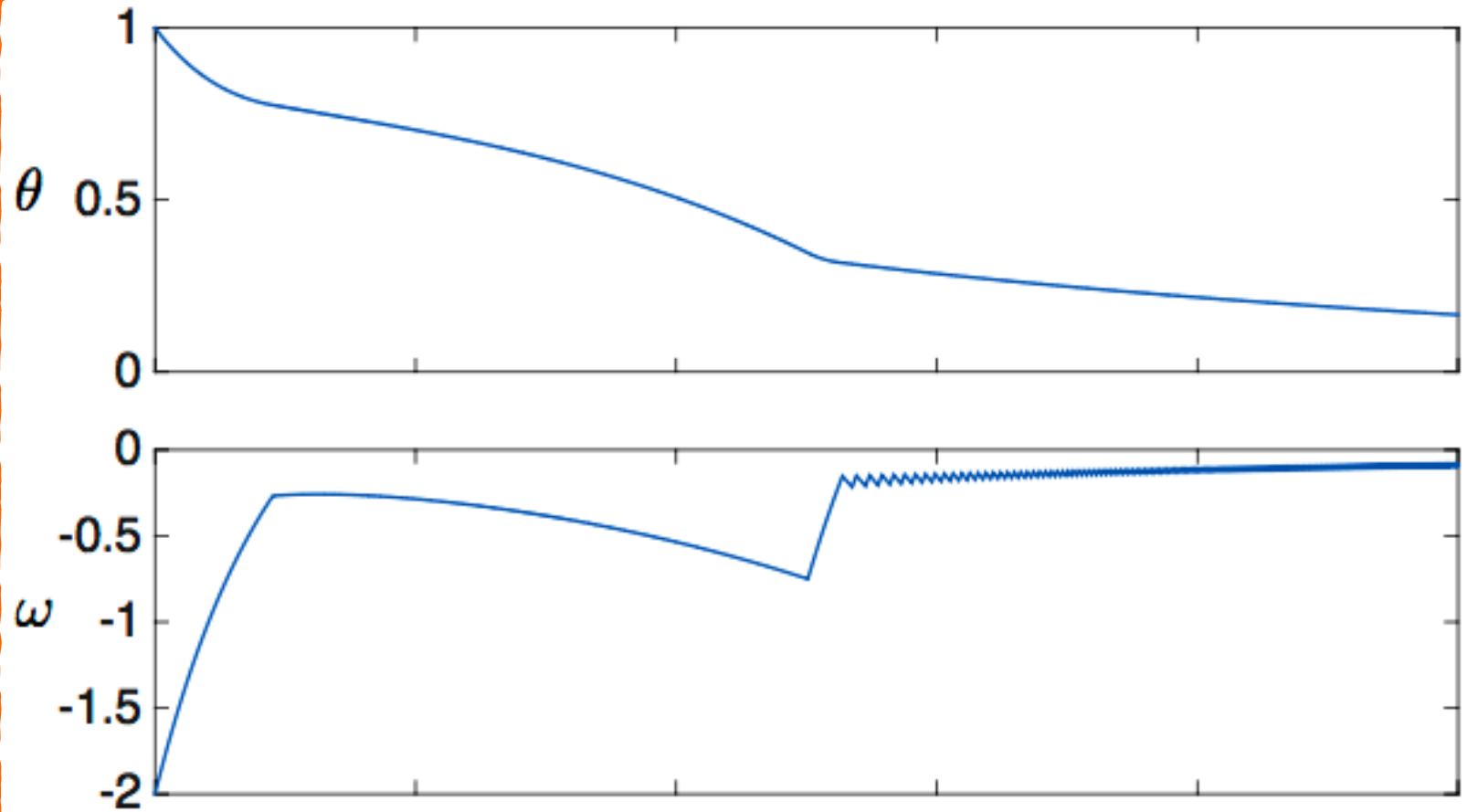
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function [ur] = fcn(t, u, theta, omega)
    if(not (tau | t))
        ur = u;
        return;
    end
    if (dV(theta, omega, u) < -5*(theta^2+omega^2))
        ur = u;
        return;
    end
    ur = min_dV_u(theta, omega);
end
```

Discrete Controller

Not Switch if possible

$u$

# Simulation



2-6 System Variables  
2-6 control modes

# all Results

Problem			Results				
ID	n	Q	# itr	z3 T	dReal T	Tot. Time	Status
1	2	2	15	0,4	4,6	5,3	✓
2	2	2	15	0,5	5,6	6,6	✓
3	2	2	7	0,0	2,3	2,5	✓
4	2	5	1	0,0	0,8	0,8	✓
5	2	2	3	0,0	3,4	3,6	✓
6	2	3	13	0,1	49,2	50,0	✓
7	2	2	6	0,1	1,6	2,0	✓
8	2	2	6	0,1	3,6	4,0	✓
9	3	4	1	0,0	2,8	2,8	✓
10	3	4	8	4,4	80,0	86,2	✓
11	3	3	15	25,3	59,6	86,3	✓
12	3	5	8	8,0	41,4	50,4	✓
13	3	2	17	61,7	116,1	179,8	✓
14	3	2	36	48,1	57,3	108,4	✓
15	4	5	1	0,0	27,8	27,8	✓
16	4	2	4	TO			✗
17	4	2	4	TO			✗
18	5	6	1	0,0	649,7	650,0	✓
19	6	4	2	0,5	2994,0	2995,6	✓
20	9	4	1	TO			✗

17 out of 20  
benchmarks  
up to 3  
variables

benchmarks  
from  
literature  
switched or  
control affine  
systems

**FUTURE WORK**

# Future Work

- Moving to Safety + Stability Synthesis.
  - Reach While Avoid Properties.
- Handle more general temporal objectives
- Control of Stochastic Systems.

# Thank You



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