

# Model Predictive Control with Signal Temporal Logic Specifications

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# Modern Cyber-Physical Systems



Caltech DUC vehicle



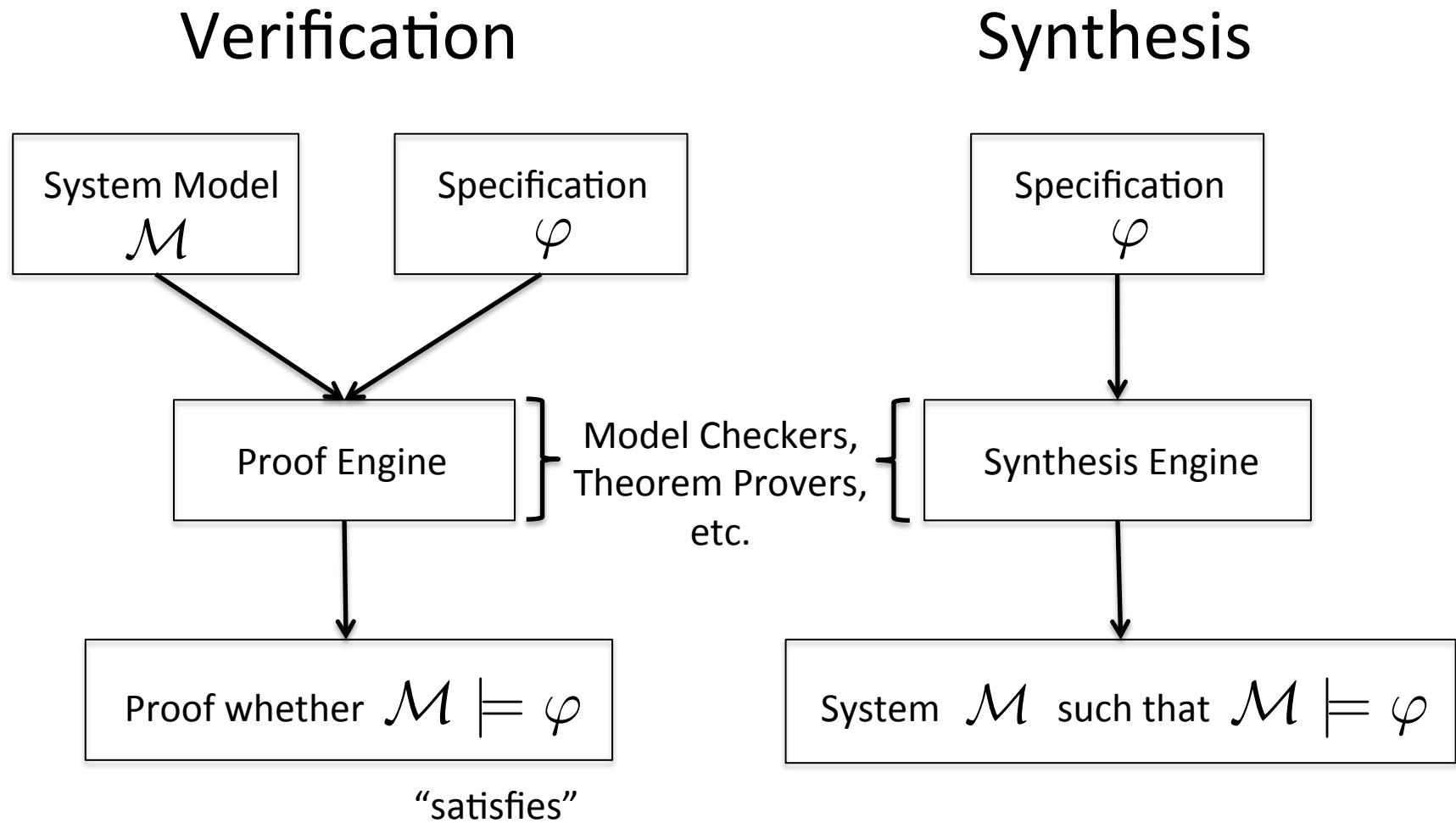
NASA/JPL-Caltech Rover



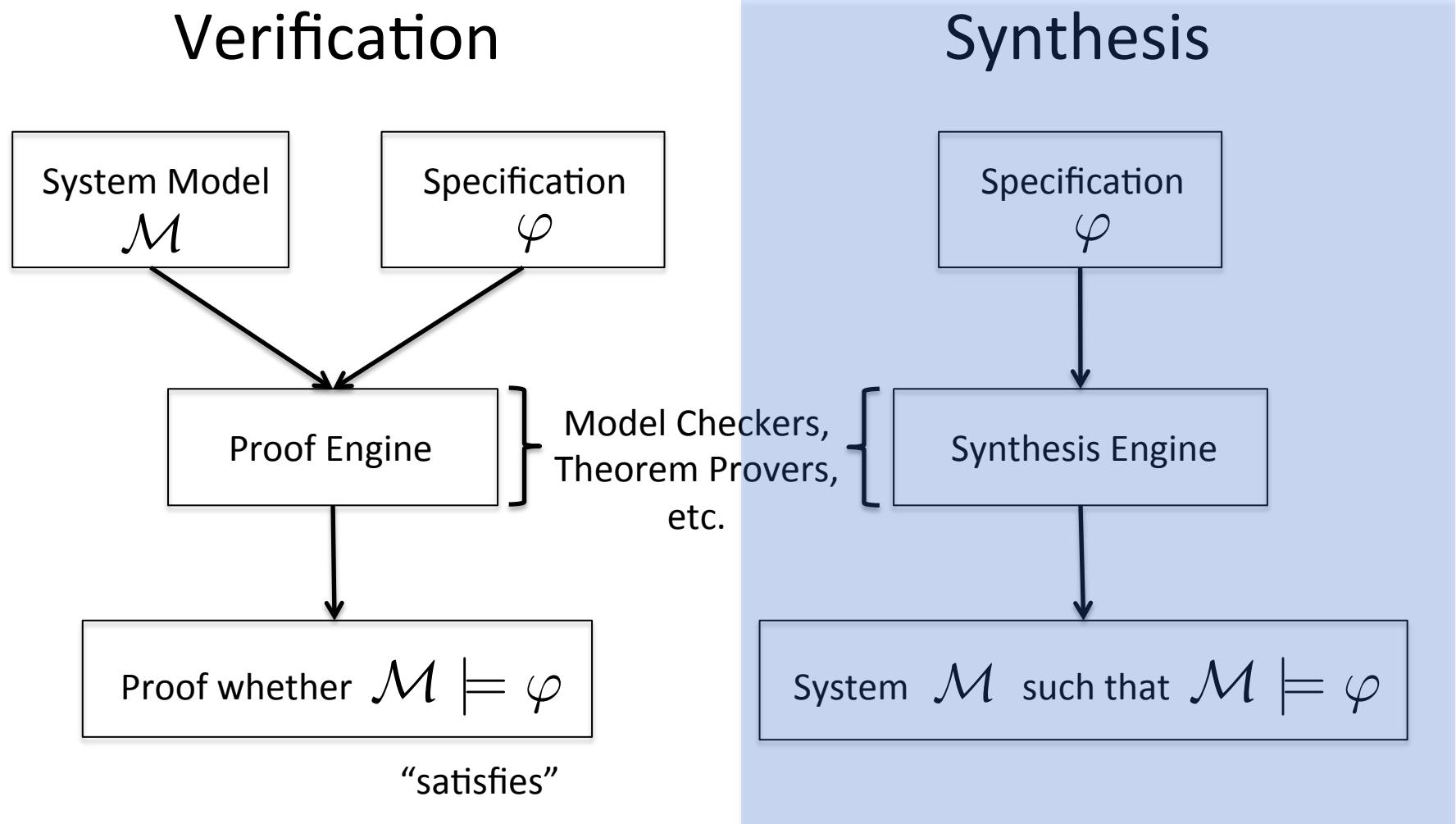
Smart Grid  
(automationfederation.org)

- Operate **autonomously**
- Fulfill **complex** requirements
- Need to **specify** and **enforce** guarantees on behavior

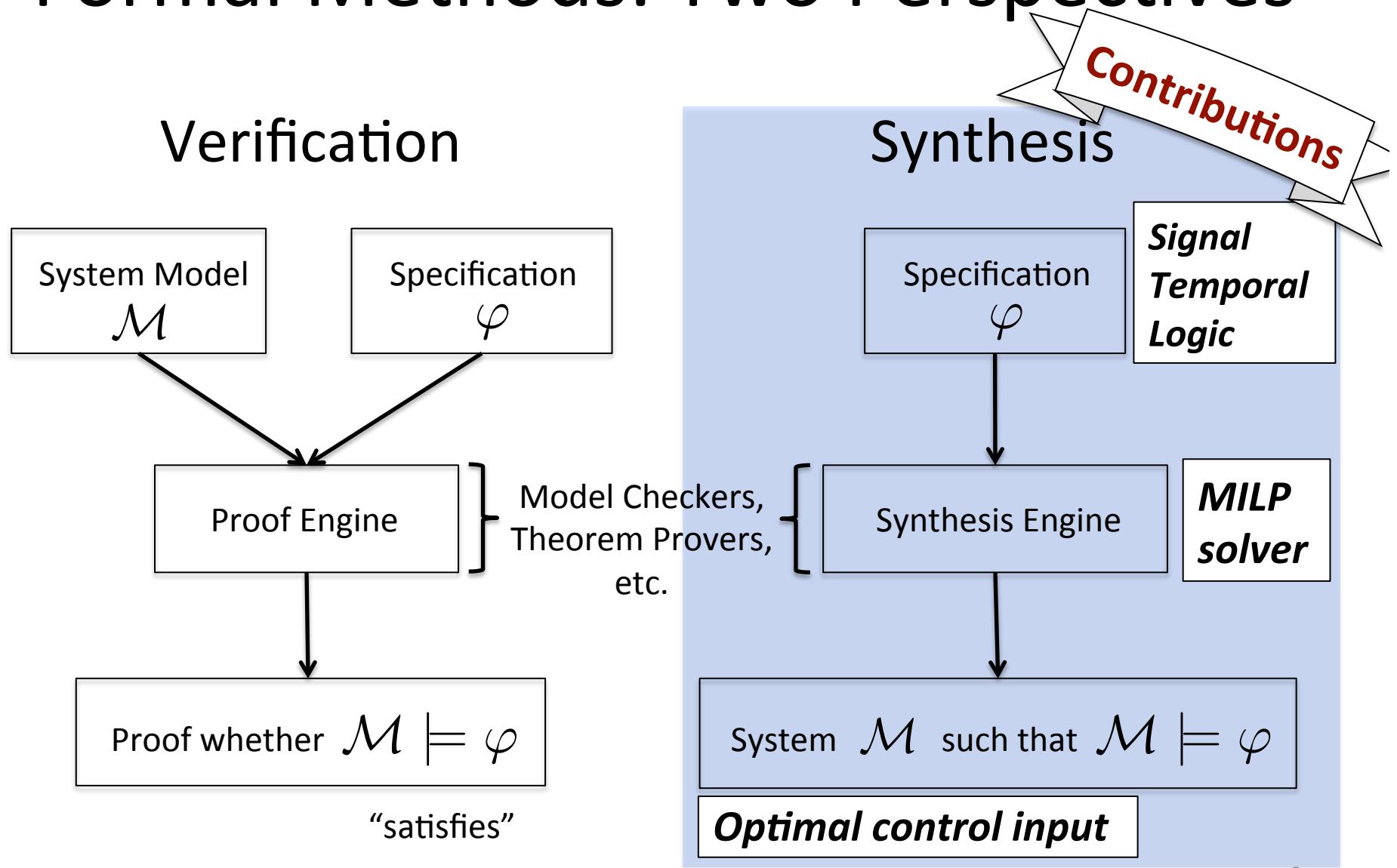
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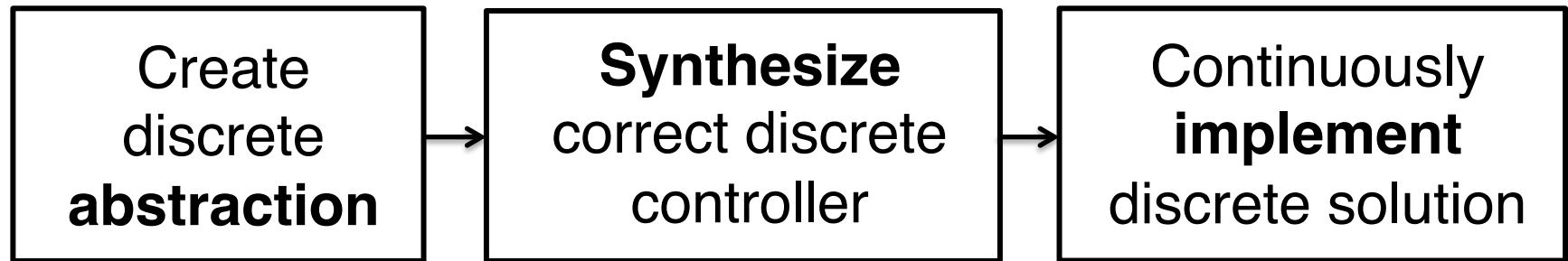
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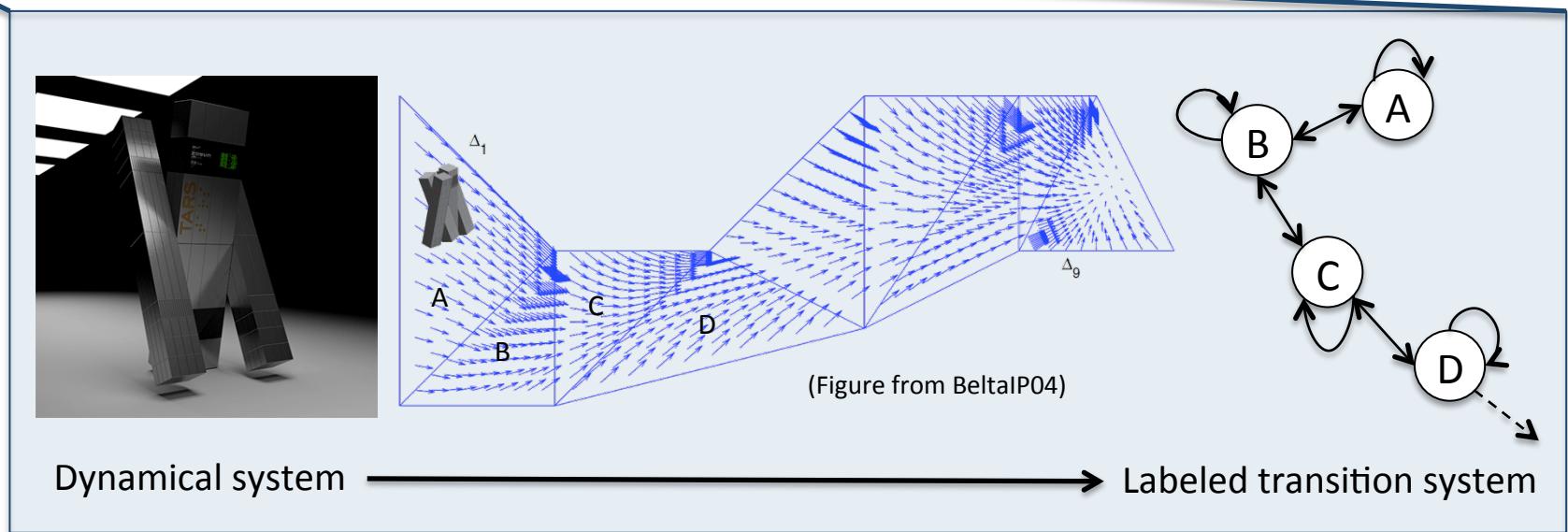
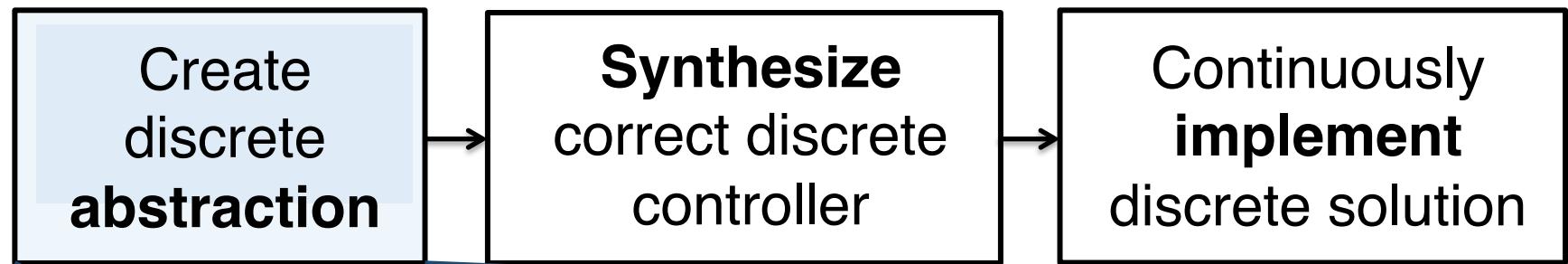
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Based on **Linear  
Temporal Logic  
Synthesis**

# Temporal Logic Synthesis for CPS



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AlurHLP00, BeltaH06, HabetsCS06, KaramanF09, Kress-GazitFP07, KloetzerB08, TabuadaP06, WongpiromsarnTM12,...

# Temporal Logic Synthesis for CPS



**BUT**

- **Discrete abstraction** is too expensive for high-dimensional dynamical systems
- Linear Temporal Logic is inconvenient for specifying
  - properties of **continuous signals**
  - **temporal duration** of events

# Temporal Logic Synthesis for CPS

## (What is lacking?)

- Continuous signals
  - “If temperature falls below 20°C, get it back above 20°C in the next time step”
$$\square(T_{\text{less\_than\_20}} \implies \bigcirc(\neg T_{\text{less\_than\_20}}))$$

# Temporal Logic Synthesis for CPS

## (What is lacking?)

- Temporal duration
  - “Infinitely often visit A and no more than 5 time steps later visit B”

$$\square \diamond (A \wedge \bigcirc B \vee \bigcirc \bigcirc B \vee \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc B \vee \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc B \vee \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc \bigcirc B)$$

- “All visits to A and B should be no more than 5.1s apart”

$$\square(A \implies \diamond(\text{clock\_less\_than\_}5.1 \wedge B))$$

# Signal Temporal Logic (STL)

[Maler and Nickovic 04]

- Continuous predicates:  $\mu(\mathbf{x}) > 0$
- Boolean Operators:  $\wedge, \vee, \implies, \neg$
- Bounded Temporal Operators:

ALWAYS

$$\Box_{[a,b]} \varphi$$

EVENTUALLY

$$\Diamond_{[a,b]} \varphi$$

UNTIL

$$\varphi_1 \mathcal{U}_{[a,b]} \varphi_2$$

$\varphi$  holds at all  $t \in [a, b]$

$\varphi$  holds at some  $t \in [a, b]$

- We restrict to discretized time and linear predicates

# Examples

- If temperature falls below 20°C, get it back above 20°C within 5 time steps
$$\square(T_{\text{less\_than\_20}} \implies \bigcirc(\neg T_{\text{less\_than\_20}}))$$
- Infinitely often visit A and no more than five time steps later visit B
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# Examples

- If temperature falls below 20°C, get it back above 20°C within 5 time steps

$$\square(T < 20 \implies \diamondsuit_{[0,5]}(T > 20))$$

- Infinitely often visit A and no more than five time steps later visit B

$$\square \diamondsuit(A \wedge \diamondsuit_{[0,5]} B)$$

- All visits to A and B should be no more than 5.1 seconds steps apart

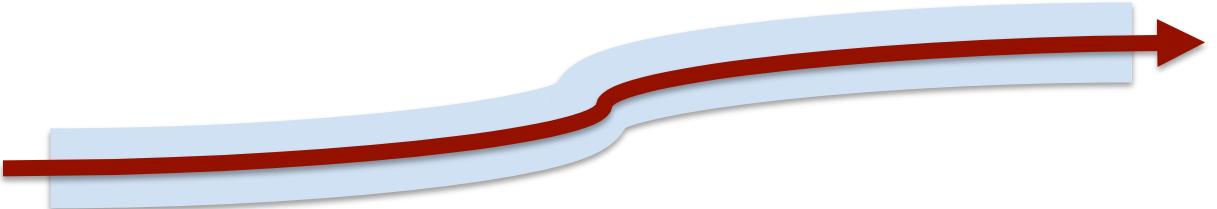
$$\square(A \implies \diamondsuit_{[0,5.1]} B)$$

# Quantitative Semantics for STL

[Donzé and Maler 10]

- In what neighborhood of the signal do we still satisfy  $\varphi$ ?
- Robustness function  $\rho^\varphi : \mathcal{X} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   
 $(\mathbf{x}, t) \models \varphi \equiv \rho^\varphi(\mathbf{x}, t) > 0$

$$|\mathbf{x}'_t - \mathbf{x}_t| < \rho^\varphi(\mathbf{x}, t)$$
$$\Rightarrow (\mathbf{x}', t) \models \varphi$$



- Examples:  $\mu_1 \equiv x - 3 > 0$      $\varphi = \square_{[0,2]} \mu_1$ 
  - $\rho^{\mu_1}(x, 0) = x(0) - 3$
  - $\rho^{\mu_1 \wedge \mu_2}(x, t) = \min(\rho^{\mu_1}, \rho^{\mu_2})$
  - $\rho^\varphi(x, t) = \min_{t \in [0,2]} \rho^{\mu_1}(x, t) = \min_{t \in [0,2]} x(t) - 3$

# Optimal Control Synthesis from STL

Given:

Discrete time continuous system  $x_{t+1} = f(x_t, u_t)$

STL specification  $\varphi$

Initial state  $x_0$

Cost function  $J$  on runs of the system

Compute:

$$\begin{aligned} \arg \min_{\mathbf{u}} \quad & J(\mathbf{x}(x_0, \mathbf{u}), \mathbf{u}) \\ \text{s.t. } & \mathbf{x}(x_0, \mathbf{u}) \models \varphi \end{aligned}$$

# Maximally Robust Synthesis from STL

Given:

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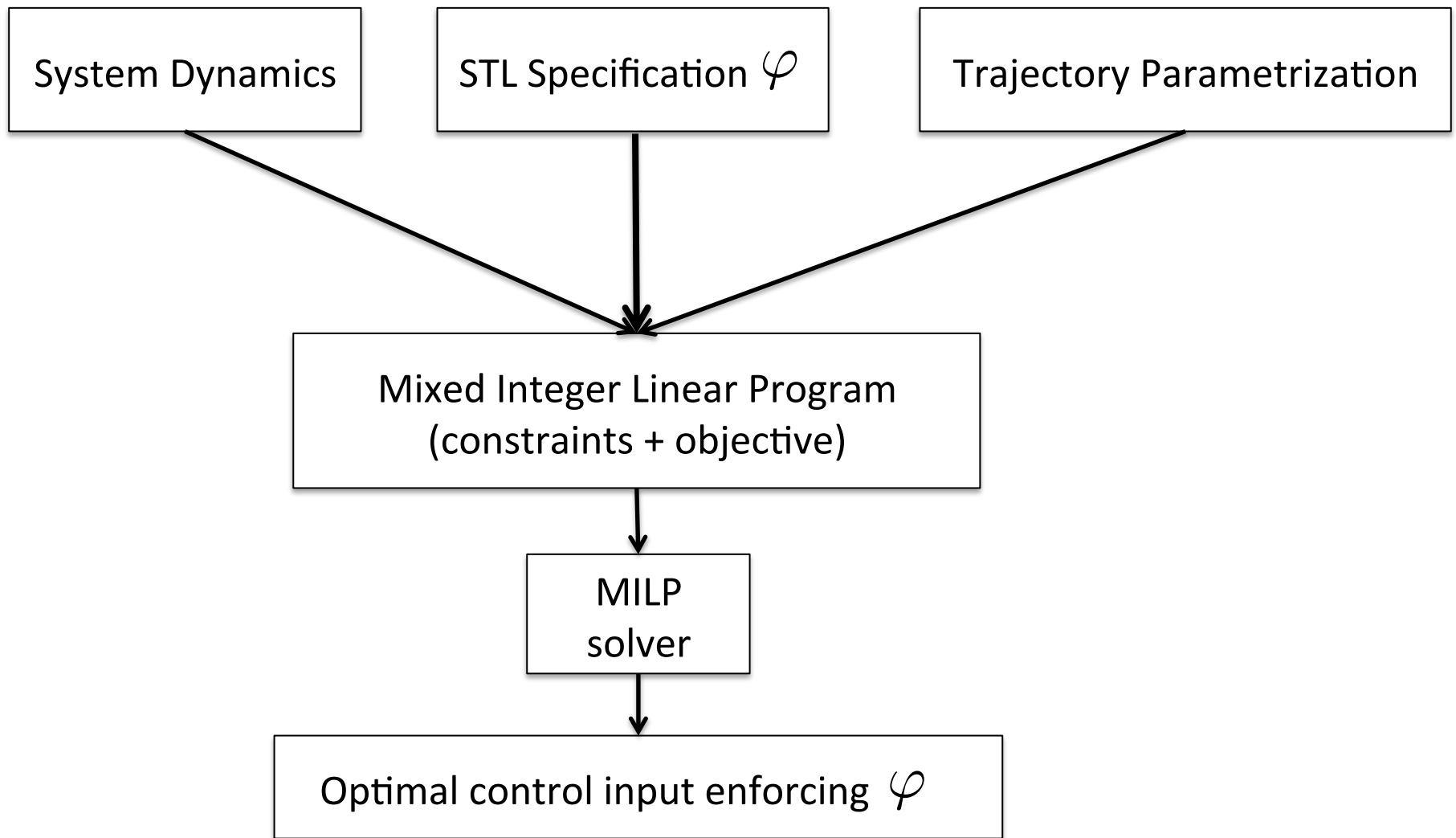
Initial state  $x_0$

Robustness function  $\rho^\varphi : \mathcal{X} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Compute:

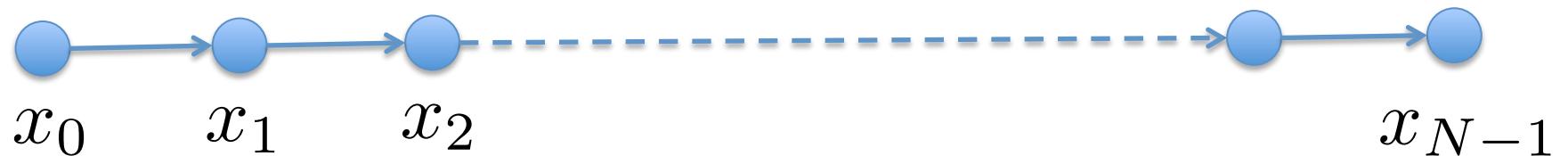
$$\begin{aligned} & \arg \max_{\mathbf{u}} \quad \rho^\varphi(x_0, 0) \\ & \text{s.t. } \mathbf{x}(x_0, \mathbf{u}) \models \varphi \end{aligned}$$

# Solution Overview



# Trajectory Parametrization

- Bounded-length  $N$  based on formula

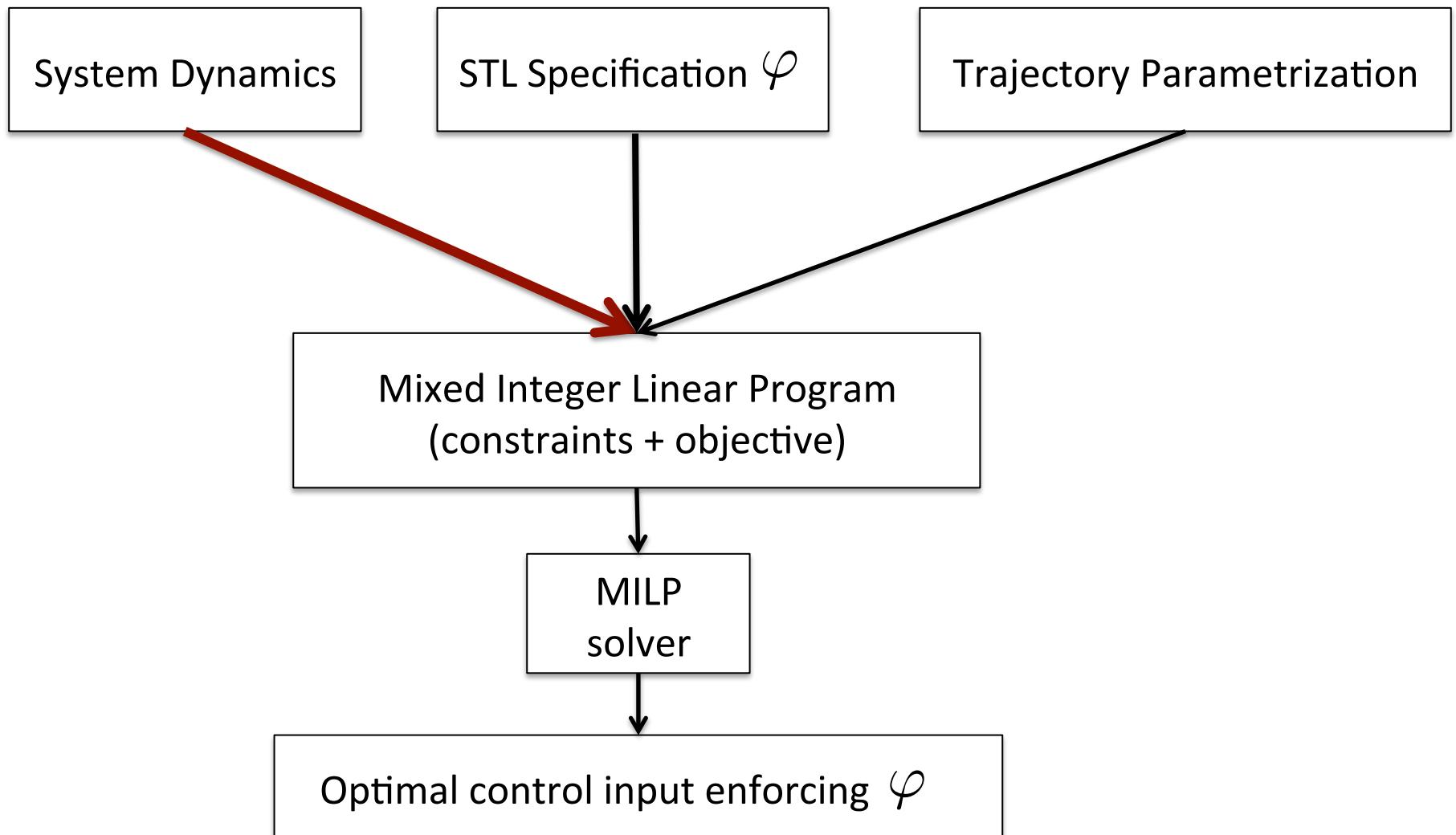


$$N \geq \text{Bound}(\varphi)$$

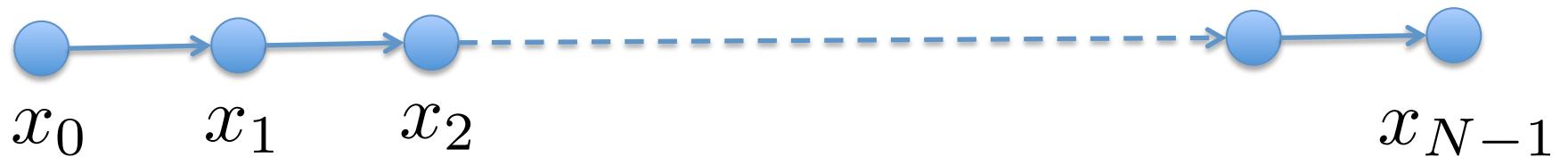
e.g.  $\text{Bound}(\square_{[0,10]} \diamondsuit_{[1,6]} \psi) = 16$

- Inspired by bounded model checking  
[Biere et al. 99, Biere et al. 06, Clarke et al. 01]

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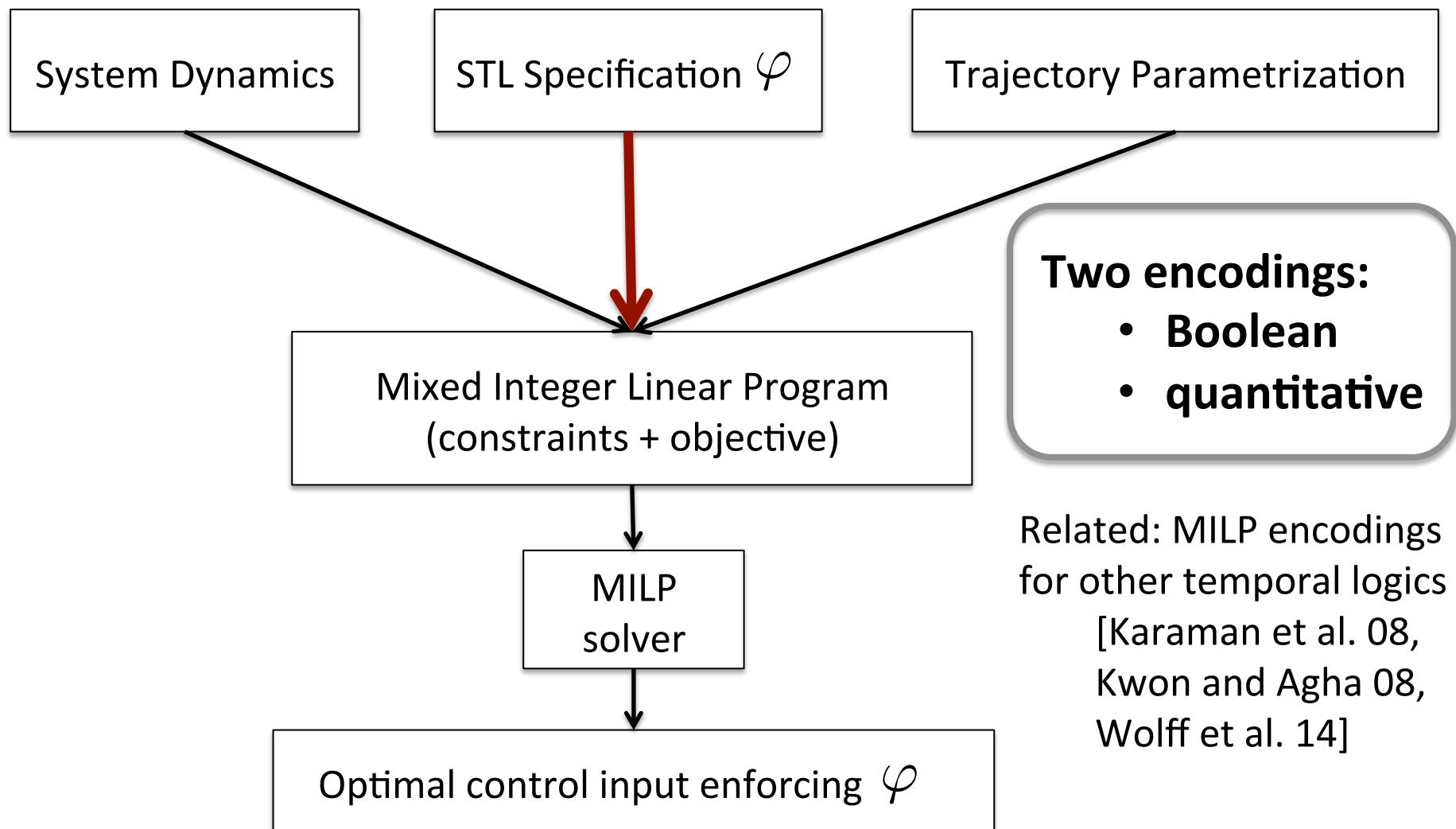
# System Dynamics



$$x_{t+1} = f(x_t, u_t)$$

- Encoding similar to, e.g. [Bemporad & Morari 99]

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# Encoding STL as MILP Constraints

Given a formula  $\psi$  with subformulas denoted by  $\varphi$

	Boolean encoding	Robustness encoding
<b>Introduce</b>	$z_t^\varphi$	$r_t^\varphi$
<b>Constrained such that</b>	$z_t^\varphi = 1 \Leftrightarrow$ $(\mathbf{x}, t) \models \varphi$	$r_t^\varphi = \rho^\varphi(\mathbf{x}, t)$
<b>Enforce</b>	$z_0^\psi = 1$	$r_0^\psi > 0$

Recursively generate the MILP constraints corresponding to  $z_0^\psi$  or  $r_0^\psi$

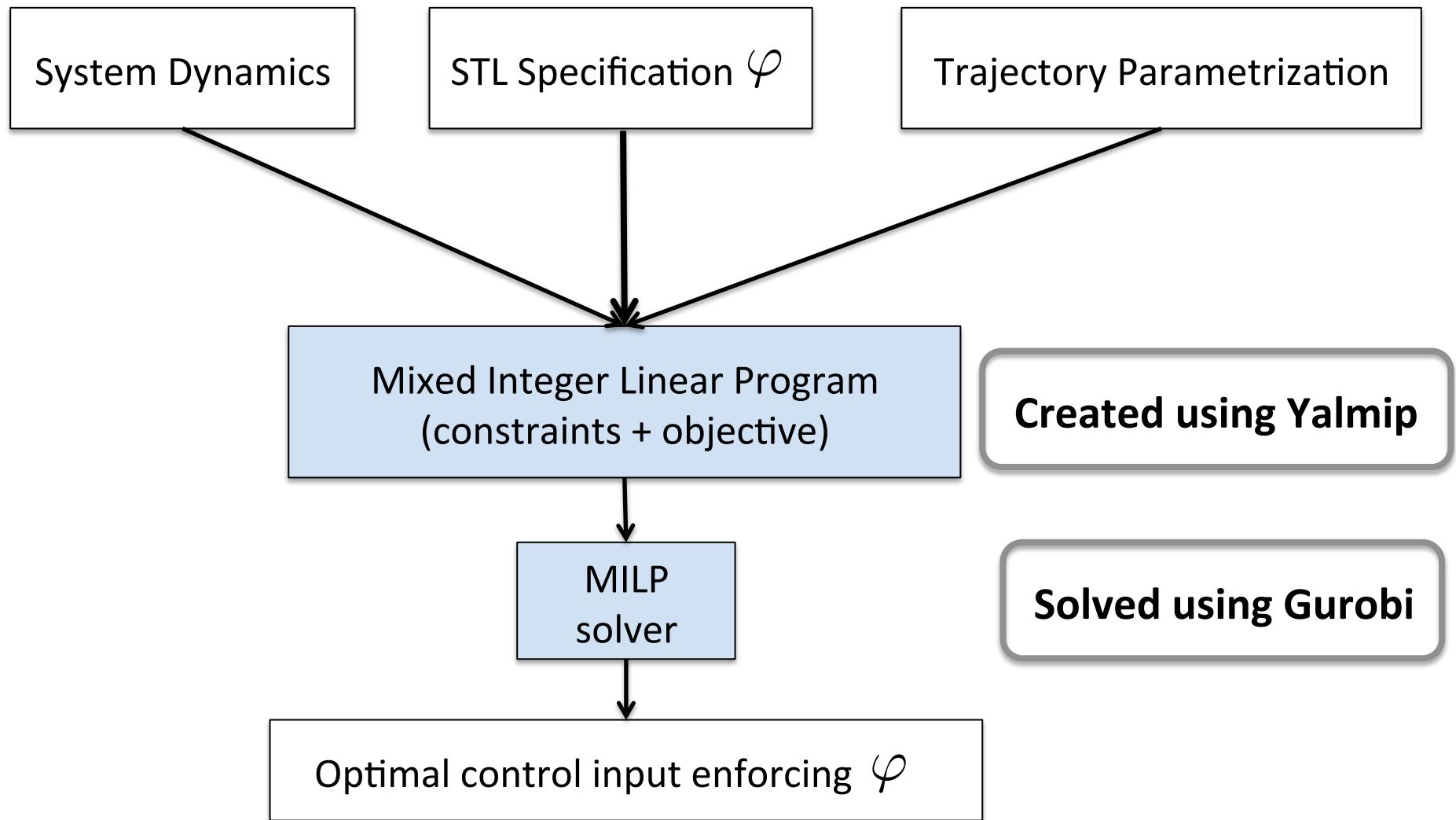
# Boolean Operations

	Boolean encoding	Robustness encoding
<b>Predicates</b>	$\mu(x_t) \leq M_t z_t^\mu - \epsilon_t$ $-\mu(x_t) \leq M_t(1 - z_t^\mu) - \epsilon_t$	$r_t^\mu = \mu(x_t)$
<b>Negation</b>	$z_t^{\neg\varphi} = 1 - z_t^\varphi$	$r_t^{\neg\varphi} = -r_t^\varphi$
<b>Conjunction</b> $\psi = \wedge_{i=1}^m \varphi_i$	$z_t^\psi \leq z_{t_i}^{\varphi_i}, i = 1, \dots, m,$ $z_t^\psi \geq 1 - m + \sum_{i=1}^m z_{t_i}^{\varphi_i}$	$\sum_{i=1}^m p_{t_i}^{\varphi_i} = 1$ $r_t^\psi \leq r_{t_i}^{\varphi_i}, i = 1, \dots, m$ $r_{t_i}^{\varphi_i} - (1 - p_{t_i}^{\varphi_i})M \leq r_t^\psi$ $r_t^\psi \leq r_{t_i}^{\varphi_i} + M(1 - p_{t_i}^{\varphi_i})$

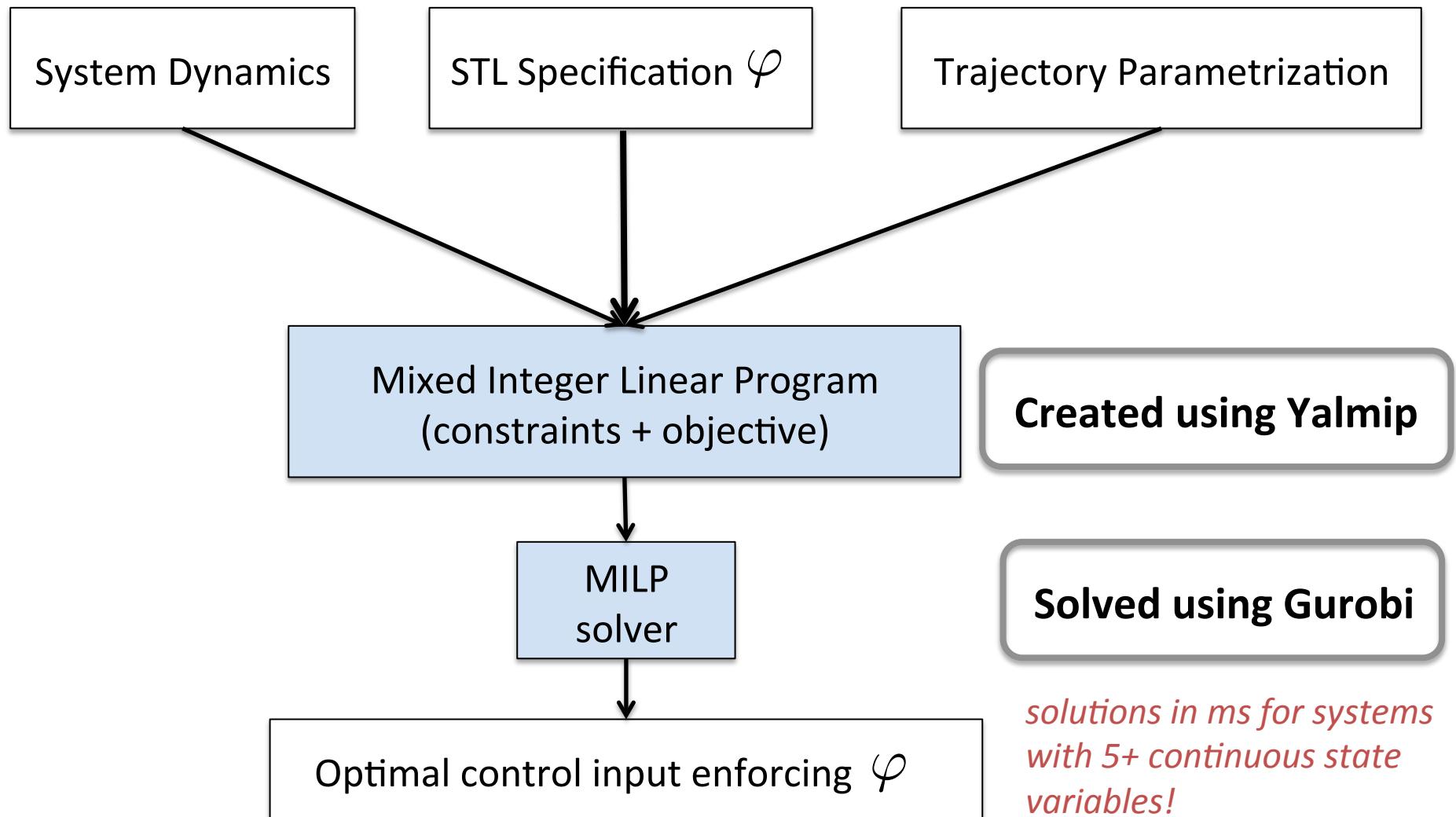
# Temporal Operations

Both encodings	
<b>Always</b> $\psi = \square_{[a,b]} \varphi$	$z_t^\psi = \wedge_{i=a_t^N}^{b_t^N} z_i^\varphi$
<b>Eventually</b> $\psi = \diamondsuit_{[a,b]} \varphi$	$z_t^\psi = \vee_{i=a_t^N}^{b_t^N} z_i^\varphi$
<b>Until</b> $\psi = \varphi_1 \mathcal{U}_{[a,b]} \varphi_2$	$\begin{aligned} \varphi_1 \mathcal{U}_{[a,b]} \varphi_2 &= \square_{[0,a]} \varphi_1 \\ &\wedge \diamondsuit_{[a,b]} \varphi_2 \\ &\wedge \diamondsuit_{[a,a]} (\varphi_1 \mathcal{U} \varphi_2) \end{aligned}$

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# Runtimes

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{u} \quad x_t = x_t^{(1)} x_t^{(2)} x_t^{(3)} \quad J(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}) = \sum_{k=1}^N \|u_{t_k}\|_1$$

$$\varphi_1 = \square_{[0,0.1]} x_t^{(1)} > 0.1$$

$$\varphi_2 = \square_{[0,0.1]} (x_t^{(1)} > 0.1) \wedge \square_{[0,0.1]} (x_t^{(2)} < -0.5)$$

$$\varphi_3 = \square_{[0,0.5]} \diamondsuit_{[0,0.1]} (x_t^{(1)} > 0.1)$$

$$\varphi_4 = \diamondsuit_{[0,0.2]} (x_t^{(1)} > 0.1) \wedge (\diamondsuit_{[0,0.1]} (x_t^{(2)} > 0.1) \wedge \diamondsuit_{[0,0.1]} (x_t^{(3)} > 0.1)))$$

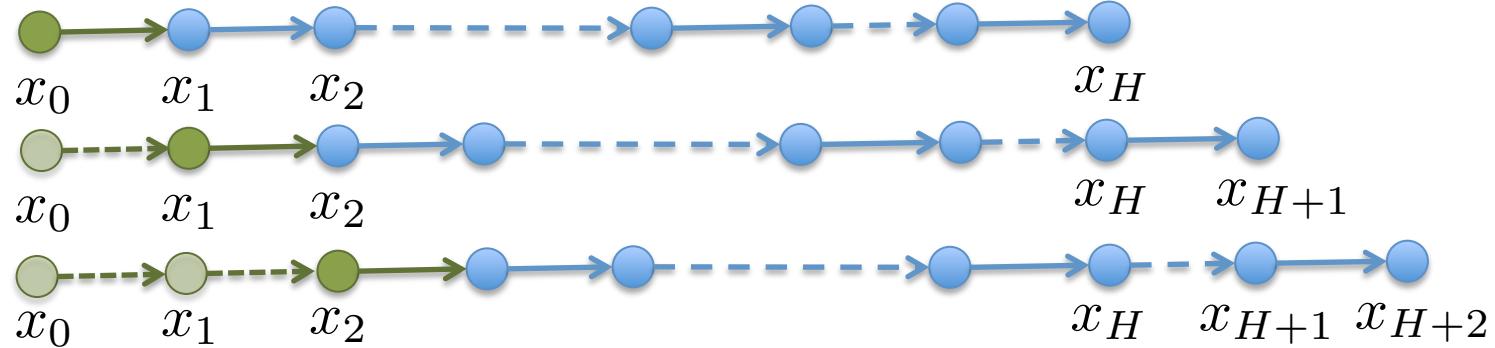
Formula	#constraints	Yalmip Time (s)	Solver time (s)
$\varphi_1$	154	488	1.71
$\varphi_2$	364	897	1.94
$\varphi_3$	244	1282	1.84
$\varphi_4$	574	1330	2.29
		<b>Boolean</b>	<b>Robustness</b>

# Model Predictive Control

- So far: generated open-loop finite trajectory



- Better: repeatedly generate a finite trajectory



- Related: MPC for mixed logical dynamical systems

[Bemporad and Morari 99]

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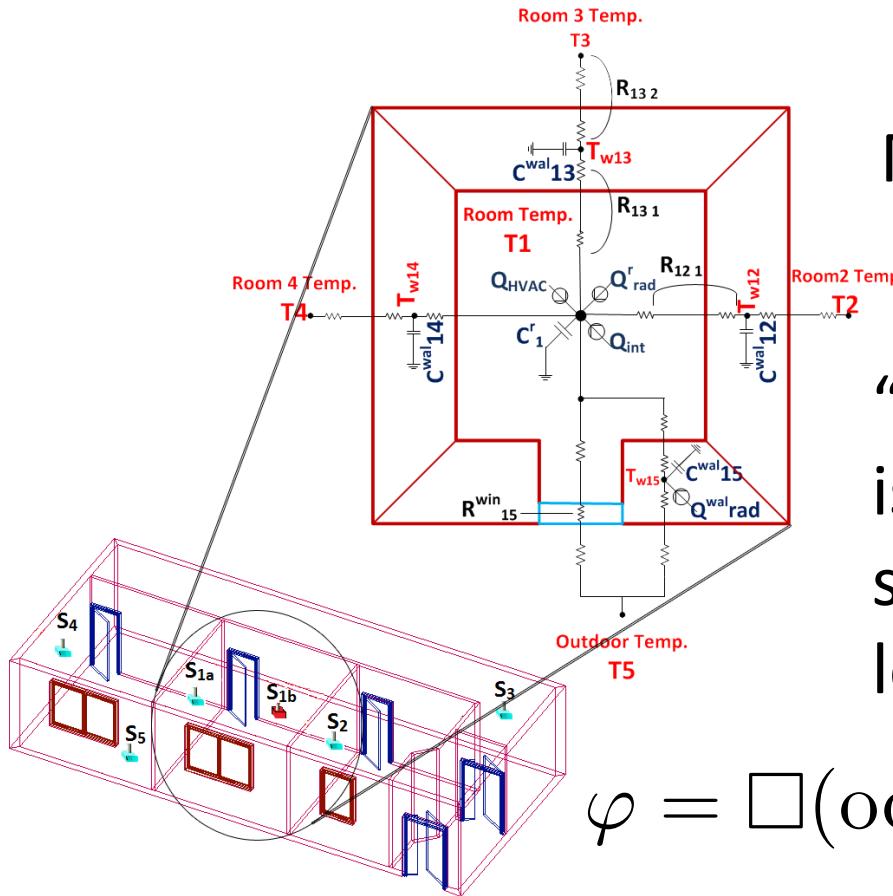
Cost function  $J$  on runs of the system

Horizon  $H$

Compute:

$$\begin{aligned} \arg \min_{\mathbf{u}_t^H} \quad & J(\mathbf{x}^H(x_t, \mathbf{u}_t^H), \mathbf{u}_t^H)) \\ \text{s.t. } & \mathbf{x}(x_0, \mathbf{u}) \models \varphi, \end{aligned}$$

# Example: HVAC system



Minimize the input (air flow)

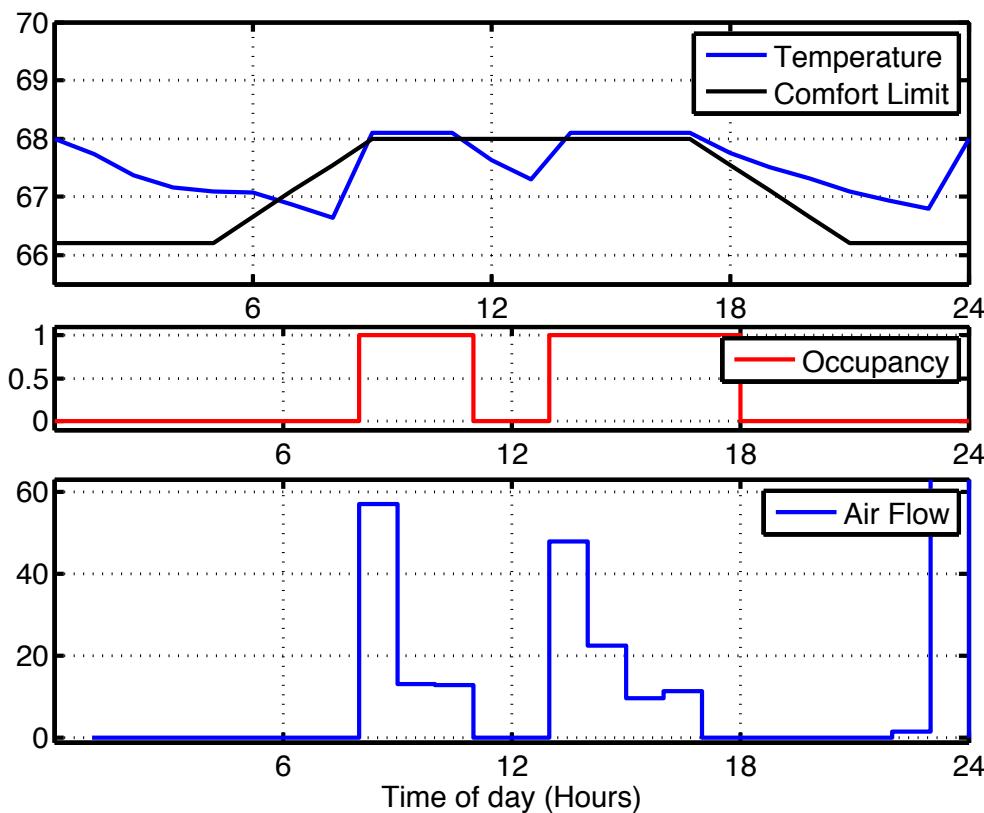
subject to

“If the occupancy of a room  
is  $> 0$ , the temperature  
should be above the comfort  
level”

$$\varphi = \square(\text{occ}_t > 0) \Rightarrow (T_t > T_t^{\text{comfort}}))$$

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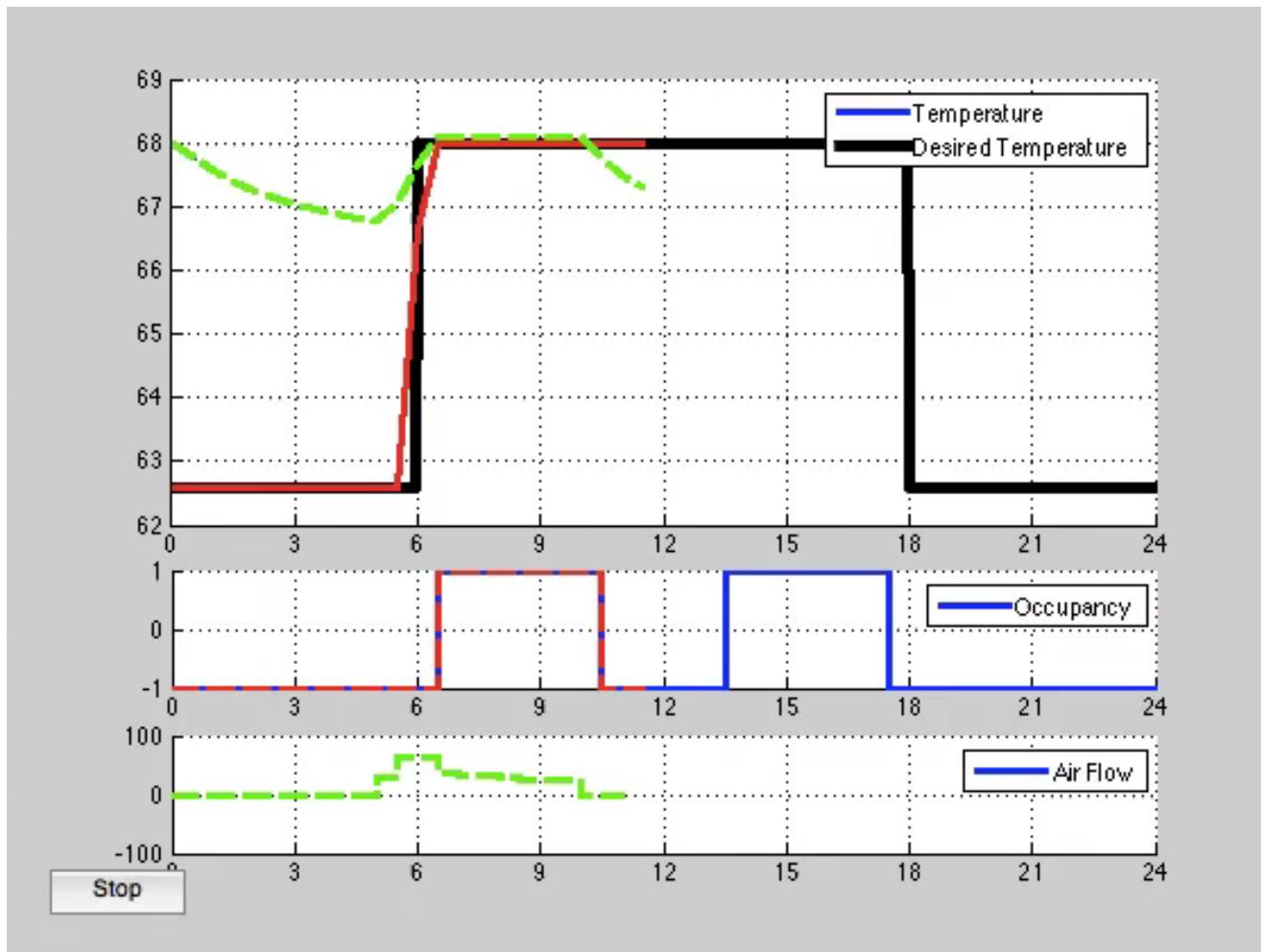
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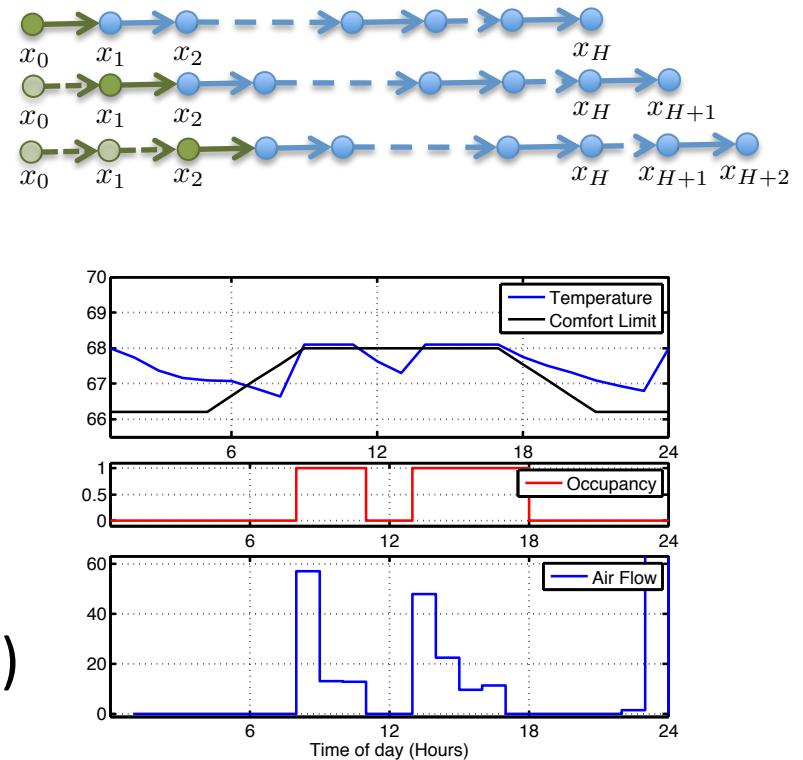
$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{\vec{u}_t} \sum_{k=0}^{H-1} \|u_{t+k}\| \quad \text{s.t.} \\ & x_{t+k+1} = f(x_{t+k}, u_{t+k}, d_{t+k}), \\ & x_t \models \varphi \\ & u_{t+k} \in \mathcal{U}_{t+k}, \quad k = 0, \dots, H-1 \end{aligned}$$

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# Conclusions

- **Optimization-based synthesis for Signal Temporal Logic**
  - No discrete abstraction
  - Quantitative satisfaction
- **Model Predictive Control** for robustness and scalability
- Future Work:
  - uncertain dynamics/adversarial environment (reactive synthesis)
  - stochastic systems



# Thanks!

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