

# Workshop:

## Dealing with real-time in real world Hybrid Systems

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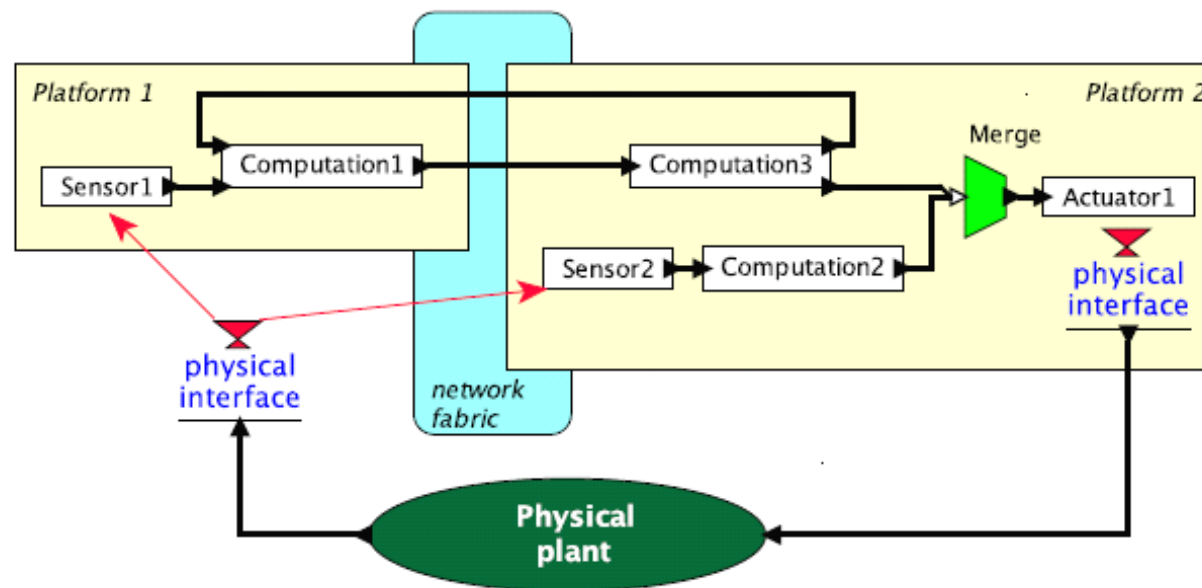
# Overview of Hybrid Systems

Abbreviated definition:

“A Hybrid System is a dynamical system with both discrete and continuous state changes”

Simply stated:

A Hybrid System is embedded software controlling a physical process



# The Challenge

How can we provide people and society with Hybrid Systems that they can trust their lives on?

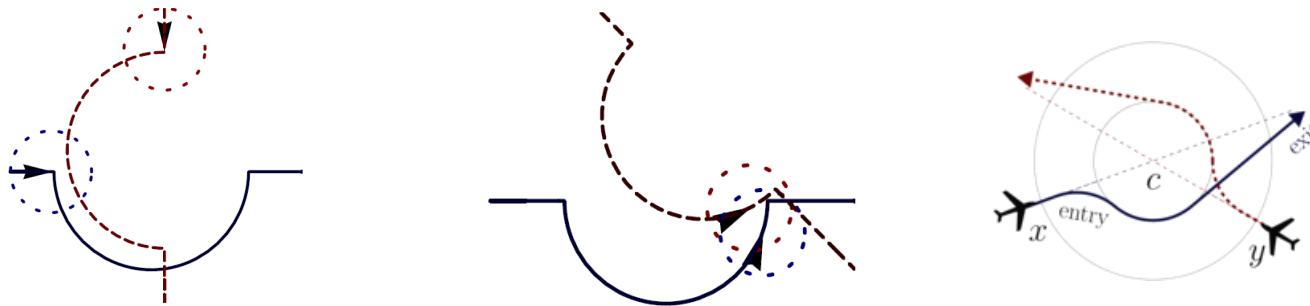


- Methodology to enable compositional certification
  - Eliminate recertification after integration
- New Formal Modeling Techniques
  - Conventional models focus on discrete systems

# Motivating Examples

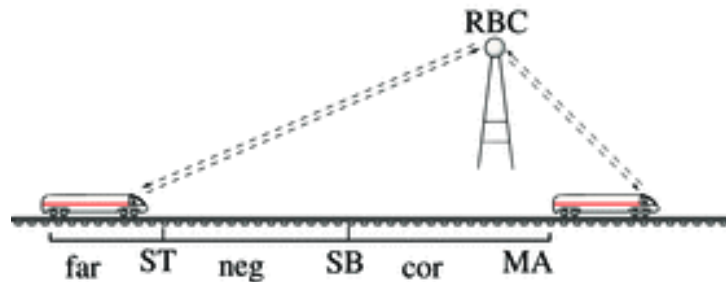
## Air Traffic Control Systems (ACAS X)

- Differential Dynamic Logic indicated conflicts with actual advisory



## European Train Control System ETCS

- Successful verification of cooperation layer of fully parametric ETCS



# A Practical Example: Yaw Control

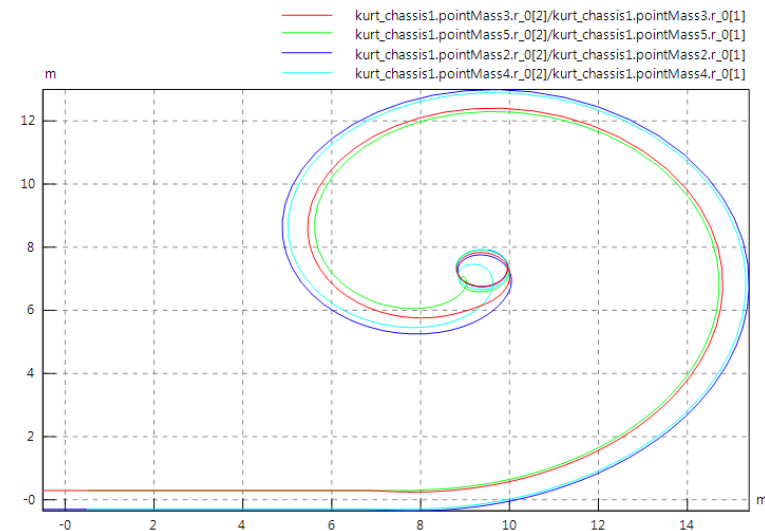
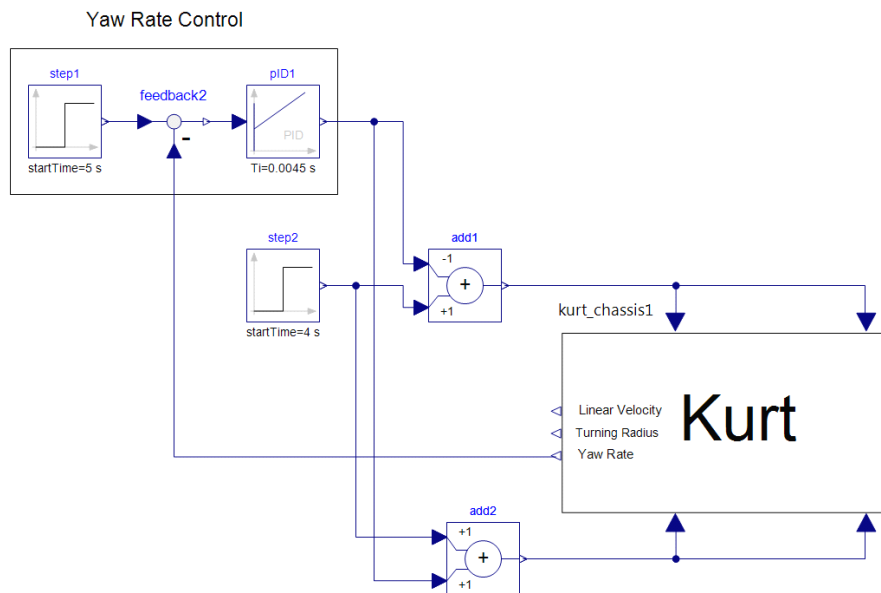
- Goal: Formally model discretization of the KURT skid-steer yaw control
  - Specific focus on stability of the closed loop system
- Abridged development embedded in Hybrid Event-B formalism



Reference: R. Banach, E.Verhulst, P. van Schaik. Simulation and Formal Modeling of Yaw Control in a Drive-by-Wire Application. *FedCSIS 2015*

# Simulations of Yaw Control

- Initial design validation with Modelica simulation
  - Stability of control strategy
- Simplified PID based control strategy
- PID parameter optimization by practical tuning methods



# Modeling Continuous Time Systems

## Transfer Function

- Derived from linear time invariant (LTI) differential equation using *Laplace Transform*:

$$F(s) = \int_{0-}^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st} dt$$

$$\text{where } s = \sigma + j\omega$$

- Transfer function is the ratio of input and output polynomials in  $s$ , evaluated with zero initial conditions

$$\frac{C(s)}{R(s)} = G(s) = \frac{b_ms^m + b_{m-1}s^{m-1} + \dots b_0}{a_ns^n + a_{n-1}s^{n-1} + \dots + a_0}$$

- Location of numerator and denominator roots in complex  $s$ -plane characterise transfer function response



# Exponential Stability of LTI Systems

- Exponential stability analysis with transfer function:

$$G(s) = \frac{10(s+4)(s+6)}{(s+1)(s+7)(s+8)(s+10)}$$

- General terms of the output  $c(t)$  with unit step input:

$$g(t) \equiv A + Be^{-t} + Ce^{-7t} + De^{-8t} + Ee^{-10t}$$

- i.e. any positive real pole causes unstable behaviour

# Hybrid Event-B

- Hybrid Event-B - an extension of Event-B
  - All variables are functions of time
  - Mode events and variables - discrete events and variables
  - Pliant events and variables - variables with continuous evolution over time
  - Interfaces allow access to shared variables

```

MACHINE HyEvBMch
TIME t
CLOCK clk
PLIANT x,y
VARIABLES u
INVARIANTS
  x,y,u ∈ ℝ,ℝ,ℕ
EVENTS
  INITIALISATION
    STATUS ordinary
    WHEN
      t = 0
    THEN
      clk,x,y,u := 1,x0,y0,u0
    END
  ...

```

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...
MoEv
  STATUS ordinary
  ANY i?,l,o!
  WHERE
    grd(x,y,u,i?,l,t,clk)
  THEN
    x,y,u,clk,o! : |
      BApred(x,y,u,i?,l,o!,
        t,clk,x',y',u',clk')
  END
...

```

```

...
PliEv
  STATUS pliant
  INIT iv(x,y,t,clk)
  WHERE grd(u)
  ANY i?,l,o!
  COMPLY
    BDApred(x,y,u,
      i?,l,o!,t,clk)
  SOLVE
    Dx =
      φ(x,y,u,i?,l,o!,t,clk)
    y,o! :=
      E(x,u,i?,l,t,clk)
  END
END

```

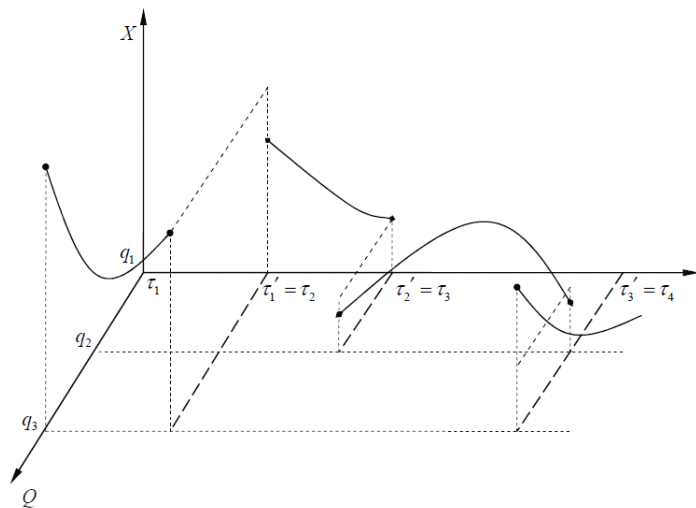
# Discrete Event Systems

- Classes of DES models:
  - Untimed DES
    - only concerned with logical behaviour, ex. whether a particular state is reachable
  - Timed DES
    - concerned with both logical behaviour and timing information, ex. whether a particular state is reachable and when it will be reached
- Stability of DES:

*for some set of initial states the system's state is guaranteed to enter a given set and remain there forever*

# Hybrid Systems

- General Hybrid Dynamical System
  - dynamic behaviour - differential/difference equations
  - discrete state space - transition map



- Stability of Hybrid Systems
  - dynamic behaviour stability - exponential stability
  - properties of the transition map

# Formal Modeling Yaw Control

- KURT yaw rate mathematical model:

$$\frac{d}{dt} yrm(t) = C_k stc(t)$$

- PID controller mathematical model:

$$stc(t) = K_p [yre(t) + \frac{1}{T_I} \int_0^t yre(s) ds + T_D \frac{d}{dt} yre(t)]$$

- Substituting  $yre(t) = YRR - yrm(t)$  results in:

$$(T_D + \frac{1}{C_k K_P}) \frac{d^2}{dt^2} stc(t) + \frac{d}{dt} stc(t) + \frac{1}{T_I} stc(t) = 0$$

- Exponential stability requires that:

$$T_I > 0 \text{ and } T_D + \frac{1}{C_k K_P} > 0$$

# Continuous Time HEB Model

- Equivalent Hybrid Event-B system:

```
PROJECT Kurt_Proj
INTERACES
  YawCtrl_IF
MACHINES
  KurtUser_Mch
  Kurt_Mch
  YawCtrl_Mch
END
```

```
INTERFACE YawCtrl_IF
SEES Kurt_Ctx
TIME t
PLIANT
  yrr, yrm, stc,
  yreP, yreI, yreD,
  thr, tal, tar
INVARIANTS
  yrr, yrm, stc ∈ ℝ, ℝ, ℝ
  yreD, yreP, yreI ∈ ℝ, ℝ, ℝ
  thr, tal, tar ∈ ℝ, ℝ, ℝ
INITIALISATION
  WHEN
    t = 0
  THEN
    yrr, yrm, stc := 0, 0, 0
    yreP, yreI, yreD := 0, 0, 0
    thr, tal, tar := 0, 0, 0
  END
END
```

```
CONTEXT Kurt_Ctx
...
AXIOMS
...
END
```

```
MACHINE KurtUser_Mch
CONNECTS YawCtrl_IF
EVENTS
  SteerKurt
  STATUS pliant
  BEGIN
    thr(t) := Θ(4 - t)
    yrr(t) := Θ(t - 5)
  END
END
```

```
MACHINE Kurt_Mch
CONNECTS YawCtrl_IF
EVENTS
  KurtBehaves
  STATUS pliant
  SOLVE
    D yrm(t) := C_K stc(t)
  END
END
```

```
MACHINE YawCtrl_Mch
CONNECTS YawCtrl_IF
EVENTS
  YawControl
  STATUS pliant
  SOLVE
    yreP(t) := yrr(t) - yrm(t)
    yreD(t) := D yreP(t)
    D yreI(t) = yreP(t)
    stc(t) :=
      K_P[yreP(t) + yreI(t)/T_I + T_D yreD(t)]
    tal(t) := thr(t) - stc(t)
    tar(t) := thr(t) + stc(t)
  END
END
```

# General Model of Yaw Control

Addressing more arbitrary steering episodes requires solving for:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{stc}(t) = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{stc}(t) + \mathbf{b}(t)$$

where  $\mathbf{A}$  is constant,  $\mathbf{stc}(t)$  depends on  $stc(t)$  and  $stc'(t)$ ,  $\mathbf{b}(t)$  is dependent on the inhomogeneous term:

$$inh(t) = \frac{1}{C_K} \left( T_D \frac{d^3}{dt^3} yrr(t) + \frac{d^2}{dt^2} yrr(t) + \frac{1}{T_I} \frac{d}{dt} yrr(t) \right)$$

# Discretizing Yaw Control

## Discretizing Hybrid Event-B Yaw Control

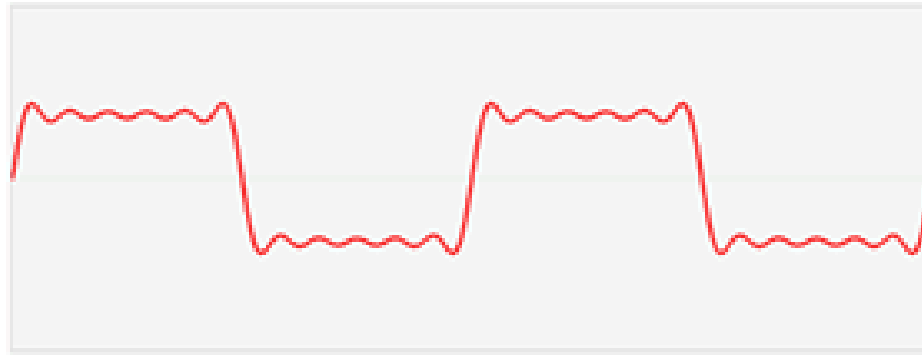
- Implementation on a discrete computing platform requires sampling
- Strategy of viewing discretizing as a refinement poses difficulties:
  - formal standpoint is sampling impoverishes the continuous model
  - degrades information available for consistency proof
- Argument for HEB approach:
  - stability of the discretized system ensures that the system can be steered to a desired regime



# Sampled Data Systems

- Sampling frequency must be related to characteristics of function being sampled
  - Sampling frequency too low -> loss of important information
  - Sampling frequency too high -> unnecessarily cost/complexity
- Important to understand the effects of sampling

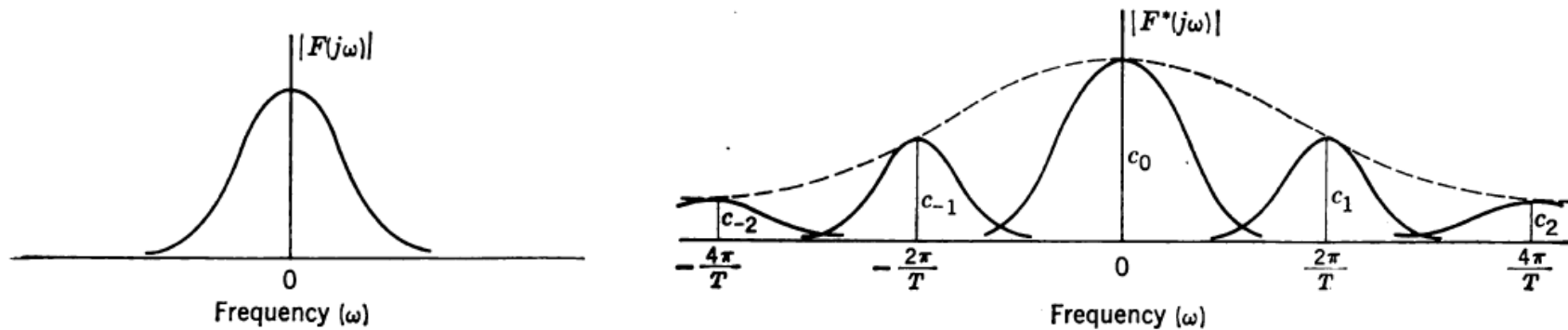
# Signal Bandwidth Illustration



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# Effects of Sampling

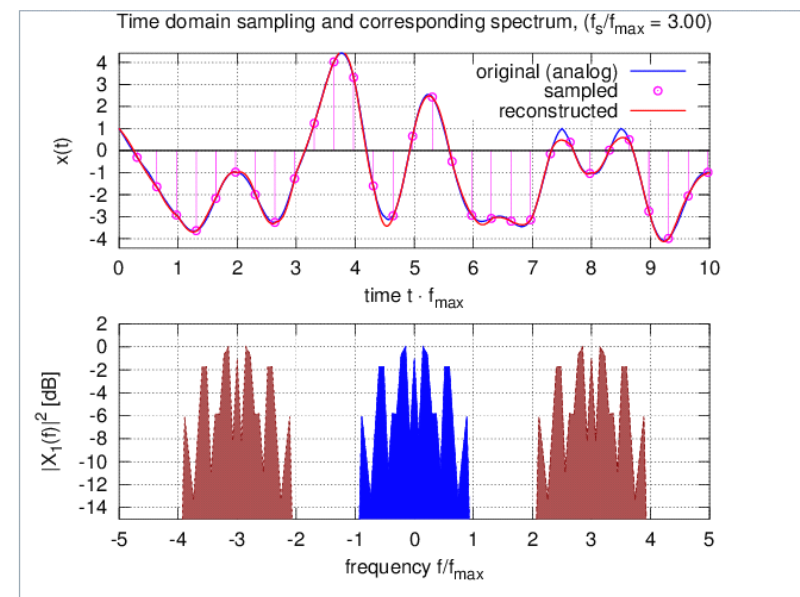
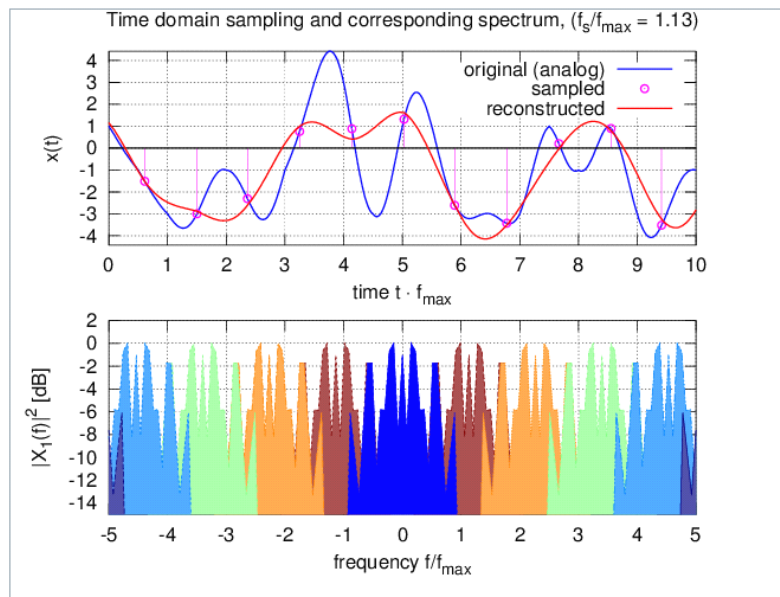
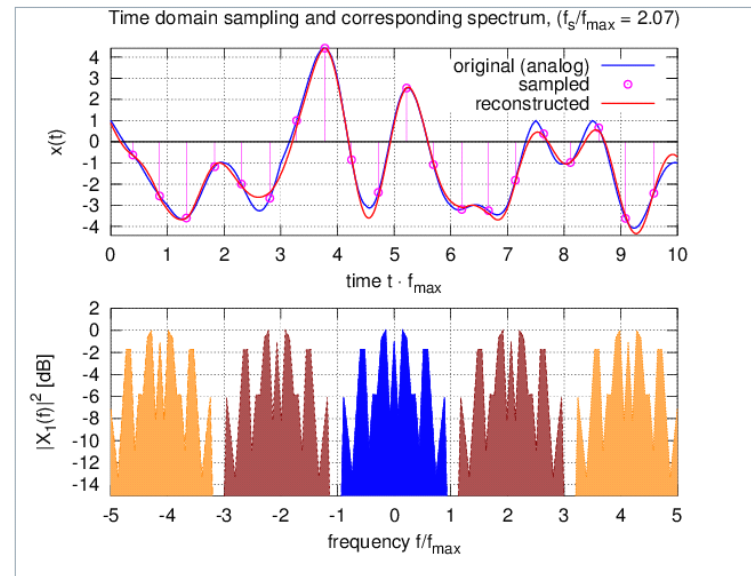
Pictorial representation of the effect of sampling:



- The central signal spectrum can be recovered by low pass filtering (anti-aliasing filter)
- Shannon-Nyquist theorem limits sampling interval:  
For band limited signals:

$$T_{s_{\max}} = \frac{\pi}{W}$$

# Sampling Effect Illustration



# Stability of Sampled Data Systems

- Sampling period affects stability:

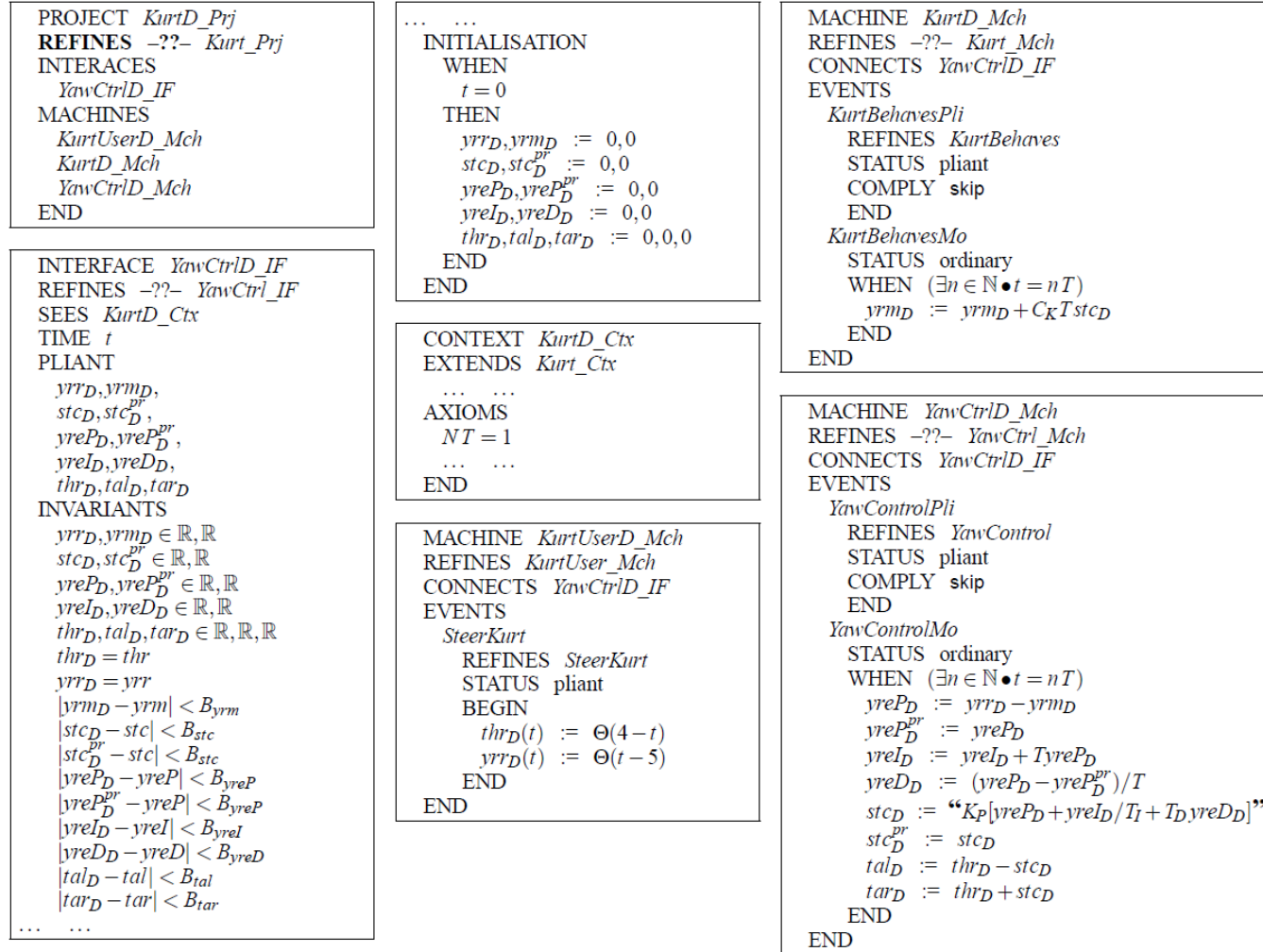
Example: Consider the following SDS transfer function:

$$T(z) = \frac{10(1 - e^{-T})}{z - (11e^{-T} - 10)}$$

For  $T > 0.2$  the resulting transfer function is unstable

# Discretized HEB Yaw Control

Resulting discretized Hybrid Event-B model:



# A Practical Example: Yaw Control

## Discretized Stability Analysis

- A similar approach to analogue counter part resulted in:

$$stc_{D,k+3} - 2stc_{D,k+2} + stc_{D,k+1} = -C_K K_P [T_D(stc_{D,k+2} - 2stc_{D,k+1} + stc_{D,k}) \\ + T(stc_{D,k+2} - stc_{D,k+1}) + T^2 stc_{D,k+2} / T_I]$$

- Requires solving for:

$$W^3 + C_k K_P [T^2 / T_I + T + T_D - 2 / C_k K_P] W^2 + C_k K_P [1 / C_k K_P - 2T_D - T] W \\ + C_k K_P T_D = 0$$

- For stability, eventually deduce:

$$1 > C_k K_P T_D$$

# Summary

- Viewing discretization as an instance of refinement is demanding
- Many simplifications required to render calculations tractable
  - mathematical insight and domain knowledge required
- Closer cooperation needed between frequency domain and state space approaches



# Questions for Discussion

- Can sampling theory be applied to reconcile continuous and discrete views in a way that is acceptable to formal techniques?
- Can supporting tools make hybrid system formal methods more accessible to engineers?