

# Hybrid RRT: Motion Planning for Hybrid Dynamical Systems

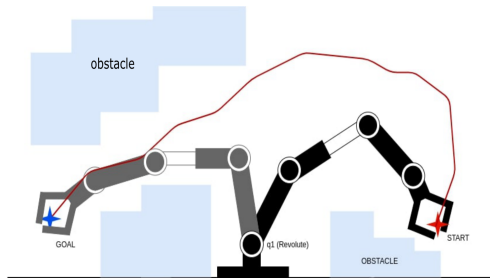
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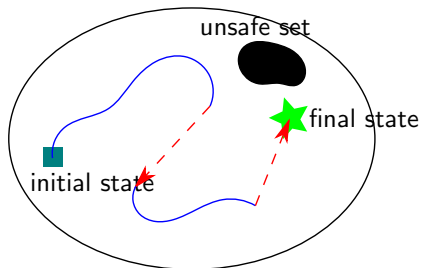


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The motion planning problem for hybrid systems is to find a trajectory of states and inputs that starts from the **initial state (set)**, ends within the **final state (set)**, and satisfies both **continuous** and **discrete** dynamics and **safety** criterion.



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## 2. Preliminaries on Hybrid System Modeling

A hybrid system  $\mathcal{H}$  with inputs is modeled by a system of differential and difference equations as

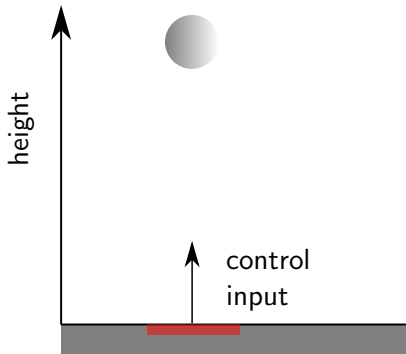
$$\mathcal{H} : \begin{cases} \dot{x} = f(x, u) & (x, u) \in C \\ x^+ = g(x, u) & (x, u) \in D \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is state,  $u \in \mathbb{R}^m$  is input,

- ▶  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is the flow map;
- ▶  $C \subset \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m$  is the flow set;
- ▶  $g : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is the jump map;
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$$\mathcal{H} : \begin{cases} \dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ -\gamma \end{bmatrix} =: f(x, u) & \forall (x, u) \in C \\ x^+ = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ -\lambda x_2 + u \end{bmatrix} =: g(x, u) & \forall (x, u) \in D \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

where

$$C := \{(x, u) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R} : x_1 \geq 0\}$$

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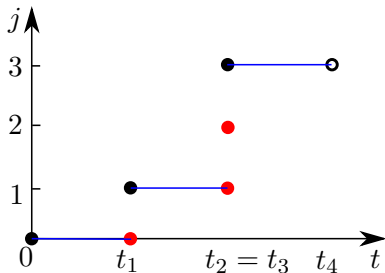
**Hybrid time domain:** The solutions and inputs to a hybrid system  $\mathcal{H}$  are parameterized by  $(t, j)$  where

- ▶  $t \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  denotes the **normal time** variable
- ▶  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  denotes the **number of jumps**.

Hybrid time domains:

$$\text{dom } \psi := ([0, t_1]) \times \{0\} \cup ([t_1, t_2]) \times \{1\} \cup \dots \cup ([t_j, t_{j+1}]) \times \{j\} \cup \dots$$

for some finite sequence of times  $0 = t_0 \leq t_1 \leq t_2 \leq \dots \leq t_{J+1}$ .





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4.  $(\phi(t, j), u(t, j)) \notin \mathbf{X}_u$  for each  $(t, j) \in \text{dom}(\phi, u)$ ,  $t + j \leq T + J$ .

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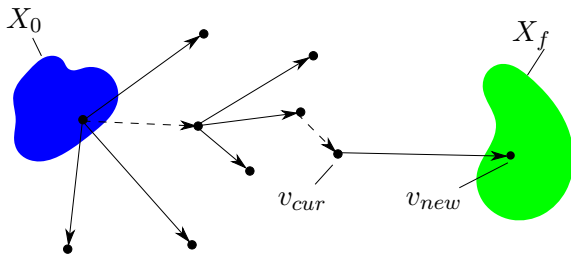
- 1:  $\mathcal{T}.init(X_0)$
- 2: **for**  $i = 1$  to  $k$  **do**
- 3:     randomly select a real number  $n$  from  $[0, 1]$
- 4:     **if**  $n \leq p_n$  **then**
- 5:          $x_{rand} \leftarrow random\_state(\overline{C'})$
- 6:          $extended \leftarrow extend(\mathcal{T}, x_{rand}, \mathcal{U}, \mathcal{H}, X_u, flow)$
- 7:     **else**
- 8:          $x_{rand} \leftarrow random\_state(D')$
- 9:          $extended \leftarrow extend(\mathcal{T}, x_{rand}, \mathcal{U}, \mathcal{H}, X_u, jump)$
- 10:     **end if**
- 11:     **if**  $extended == 1 \& \& check\_solution(\mathcal{T}, X_0, X_f, C, \psi_{sol}) == 1$  **then**
- 12:         **return**  $\psi_{sol}$
- 13:     **end if**
- 14: **end for**

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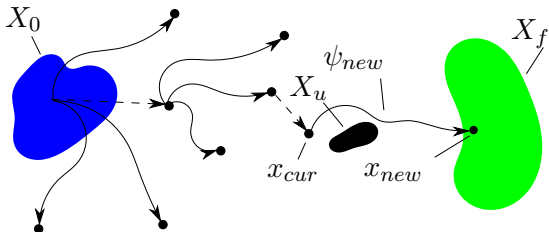
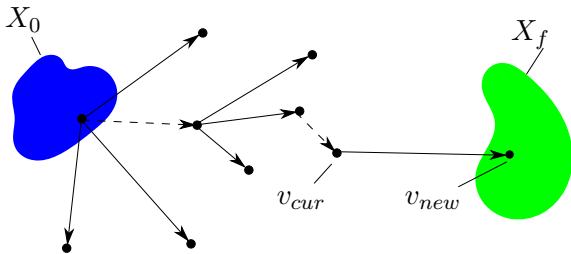




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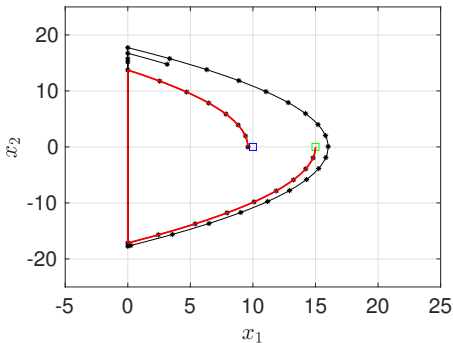
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### Theorem 1

The proposed HyRRT is *probabilistically complete* for any given motion planning problem for hybrid systems formulated as in Problem 1.

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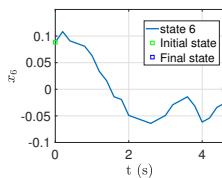
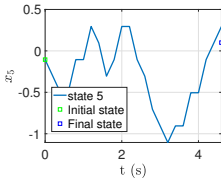
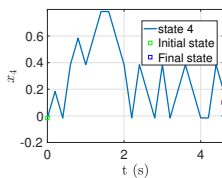
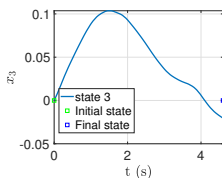
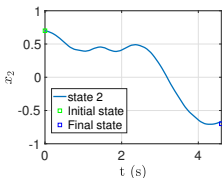
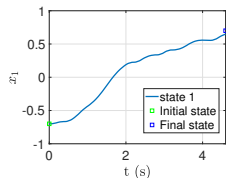
**4.3 Simulation results:** Algorithm 1 leads to a HyRRT software tool<sup>1</sup> to solve the motion planning problems for hybrid systems. The simulation is implemented in MATLAB software and processed by a 2.2 GHz Intel Core i7 processor. The simulation takes 0.34 seconds to finish.



<sup>1</sup>Code at <https://github.com/HybridSystemsLab/hybridRRT>.

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Table: Computation Costs of HyRRT and FBP in the Biped Example .

	Time Consumption (seconds)	Vertices
HyRRT	57.6	2357
FBP	1608.2	3796

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