## Chapter 10: Characterization of attractors

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

Its solution is  $\phi(t, \mathbf{x}_0)$ . The *limit set* is

 $\mathbb{X}^{\infty} = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{n} \mid \forall \varepsilon > \mathbf{0}, \ \exists t > \mathbf{1}, \ \|\phi(t, \mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{x}\| < \varepsilon \right\}.$ 

## 1 Quantization

**Paving:** is a collection  $\Omega = \{X_1, \ldots, X_p\}$  of non-overlapping polytopes  $X_i$  s.t.

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^{p} \mathbb{X}_{i} = \mathbb{R}^{n}.$$

## Relation.

$$\eta_i(\mathbf{x}_0) = \inf_{t \ge 0} \left\{ t \mid \phi(t, \mathbf{x}_0) \notin \mathbb{X}_i \right\}.$$

We define the relation  $\hookrightarrow$  between  $\mathbb{X}_i$  and  $\mathbb{X}_j$ 

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{X}_i \hookrightarrow \mathbb{X}_j \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} (\mathsf{i}) & \exists \mathbf{x}_0 \in \mathbb{X}_i \mid \phi(\eta(\mathbf{x}_0), \mathbf{x}_0) \in \mathbb{X}_j \\ (\mathsf{ii}) & \dim(\mathbb{X}_i \cap \mathbb{X}_j) \ge n-1. \end{cases}$$





Quantization. It is a graph  $\mathcal G$  defined by

 $(\mathbb{X}_i, \mathbb{X}_j) \in \mathcal{G} \Leftrightarrow \mathbb{X}_i \hookrightarrow \mathbb{X}_j.$ 

## 2 Station keeping

$$\left\{ egin{array}{ccc} \dot{x} &=& \cos heta \ \dot{y} &=& \sin heta \ \dot{ heta} &=& u \end{array} 
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The robot can be described by

$$\begin{cases} (i) \quad \dot{\varphi} = \frac{\sin \varphi}{d} + u \\ (ii) \quad \dot{d} = -\cos \varphi. \\ (iii) \quad \dot{\alpha} = -\frac{\sin \varphi}{d}. \end{cases}$$

Control.

$$u = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } \cos \varphi \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\sin \varphi & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \text{ (the robot turns left)} \\ \text{(the robot goes toward zero)} \end{cases}$$

Closed loop system.

$$\begin{cases} \text{(i)} \quad \dot{\varphi} \quad = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin \varphi}{d} + 1 & \text{if } \cos \varphi \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \left(\frac{1}{d} - 1\right) \sin \varphi & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ (\text{ii)} \quad \dot{d} \quad = -\cos \varphi. \end{cases}$$







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The transitive closure of the graph is

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{G}^+ \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{\mathbf{G}}^+, \overline{\mathbf{G}}^+ \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{\mathbf{G}} + \underline{\mathbf{G}}^2 + \underline{\mathbf{G}}^3 + \dots, \ \overline{\mathbf{G}} + \overline{\mathbf{G}}^2 + \overline{\mathbf{G}}^3 + \dots \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The attractor of the graph is given by the ones in the diagonal. It corresponds to the set  $X_4 \cup X_5 \cup X_6$ .

The attractor of the controlled robot satisfies

 $\mathbb{A} \subset (\mathbb{X}_4 \cup \mathbb{X}_5 \cup \mathbb{X}_6)$ .