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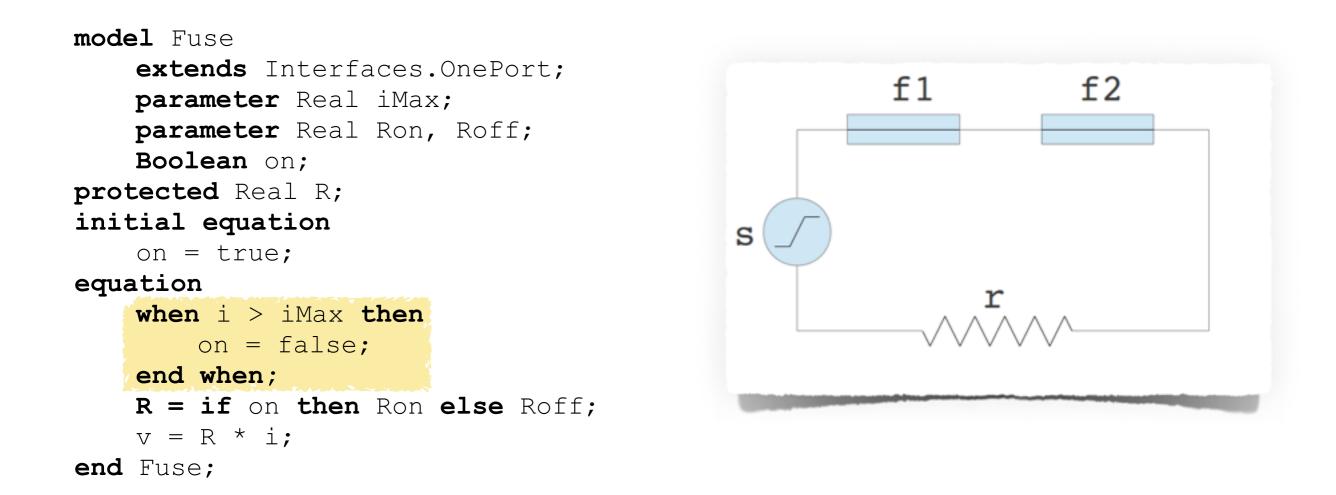
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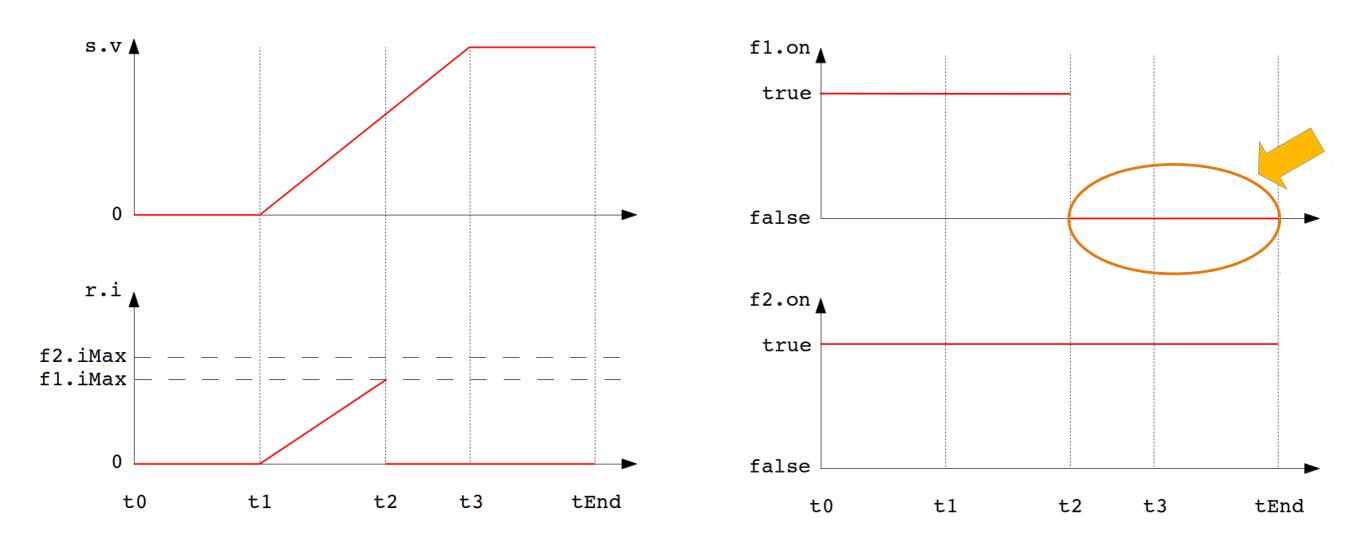


Abstraction



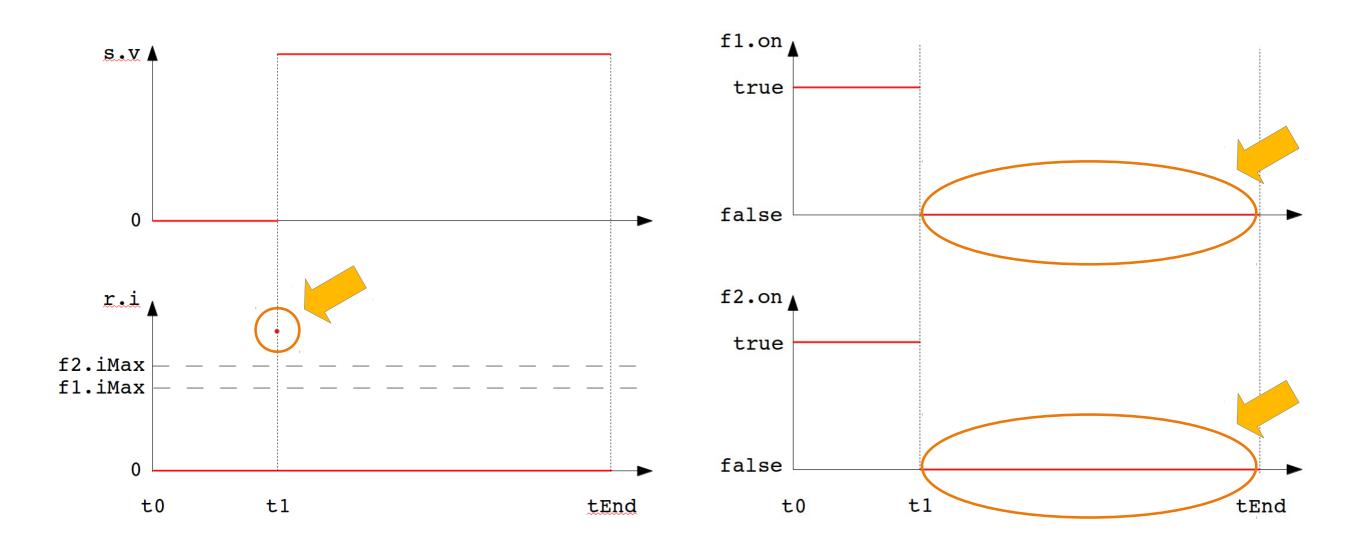
- The fuse model assumes negligible melting duration
 - In particular w.r.t. the raise duration of the voltage source

Expected behaviour



- Only the first fuse melts
 - Independently of the voltage slope

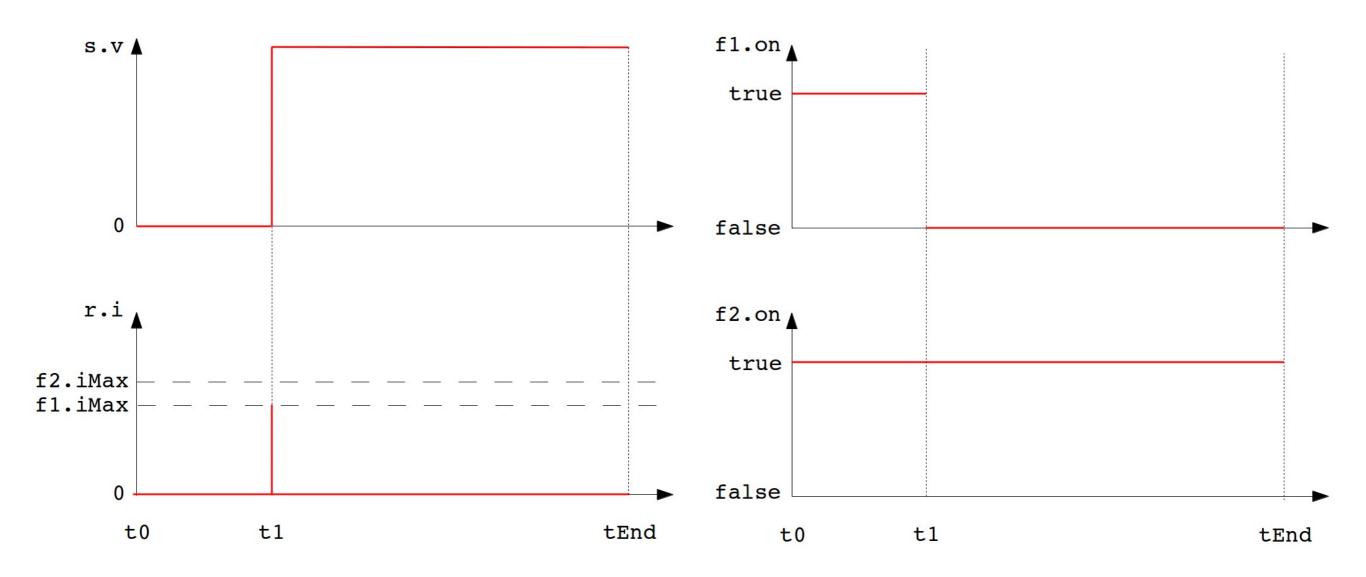
Nested abstraction



• Suppose we also abstract the behaviour of the voltage source

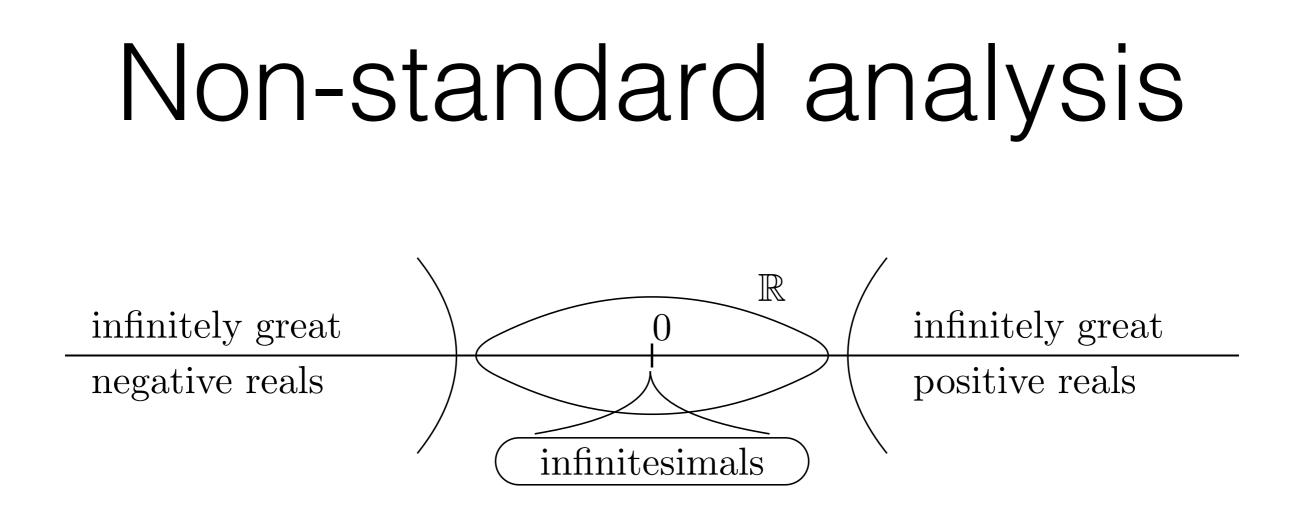
• Both fuses melt due to the loss of signal continuity

Desired behaviour



- Signals are no longer maps from time to values
- We need infinitesimal time steps to enable this behaviour





- Used intuitively by Leibniz and Newton
- Formalised by Abraham Robinson in the 60s

$$N, N+1, N^2, N/2, e^N, \dots$$
 $\varepsilon = 1/N, \dots$ $\varepsilon \approx 0$

Standardisation

• Every finite non-standard real has a unique standard part

$$x = \operatorname{std}(x) + \varepsilon$$
 $\operatorname{std}(x) \in \mathbb{R}$ $\varepsilon \approx 0$

• Functions can be standardised

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \ \mathrm{std}(f)(x) \stackrel{def}{=} \mathrm{std}(f(x))$$

 Standardisation of a function is not defined on all nonstandard reals, but only on the standard ones

$$f: {}^{*}\mathbb{R} \to {}^{*}\mathbb{R} \qquad \operatorname{std}(f): \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$$

Examples

• Differentiation

$$\frac{d(x^2)}{dx} = \frac{(x+dx)^2 - x^2}{dx} = \frac{2x\,dx + dx^2}{dx} = 2x + dx \approx 2x$$

• Integration

$$\int_0^1 f(x) dx \approx \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} f(i \, dx) dx, \text{ where } N = 1/dx$$

• Continuity

$$\forall x \in {}^*\mathbb{R}, \quad x \approx a \implies {}^*f(x) \approx {}^*f(a)$$

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Łoś' theorem

- Generalisation of the transfer principle
 - Any first-order formula is true in ${}^*\mathbb{R}$ if and only if it is true in \mathbb{R} for almost all indices.
- Example (Archimedean property):

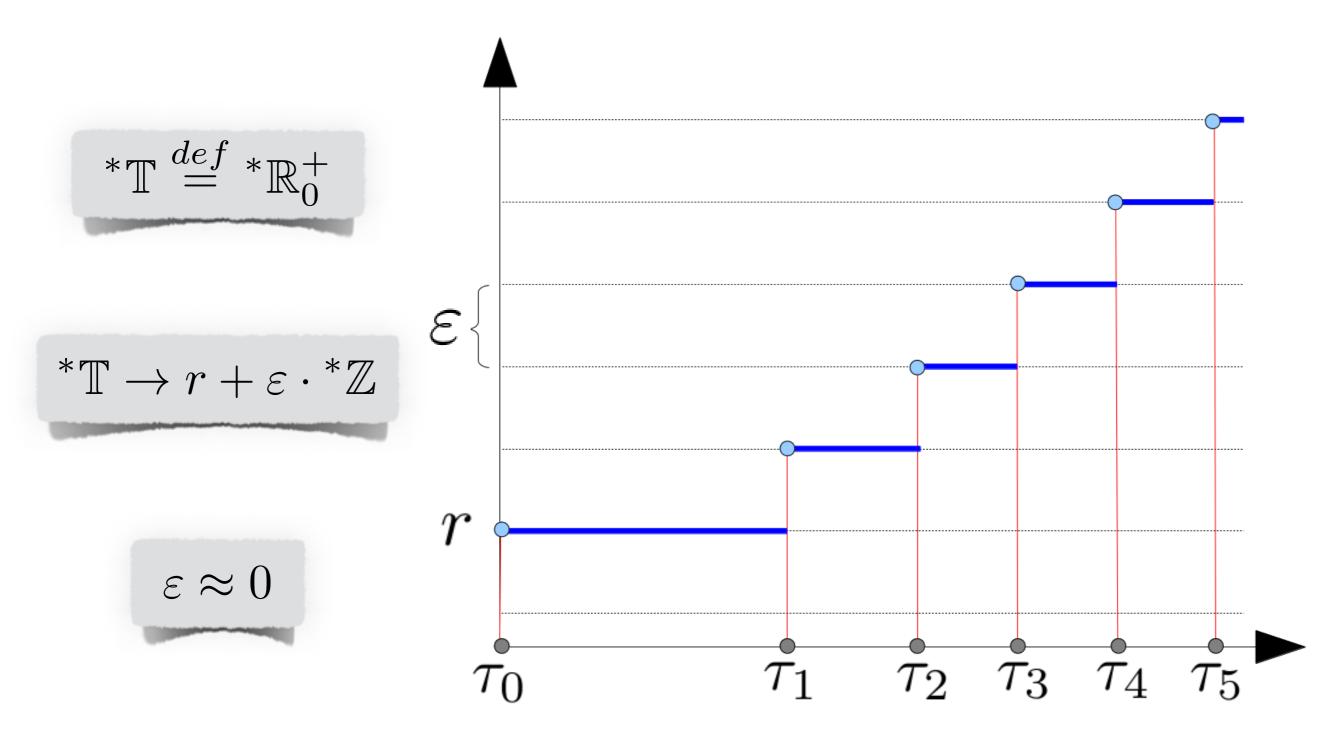
$$\varepsilon = [\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \varepsilon_3, \dots], \forall i \in \mathbb{N}, \varepsilon_i \in \mathbb{R}(\varepsilon_i > 0)$$

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \exists n \in \mathbb{Z} : n\varepsilon_i < x \le (n+1)\varepsilon_i$$

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QSS approach

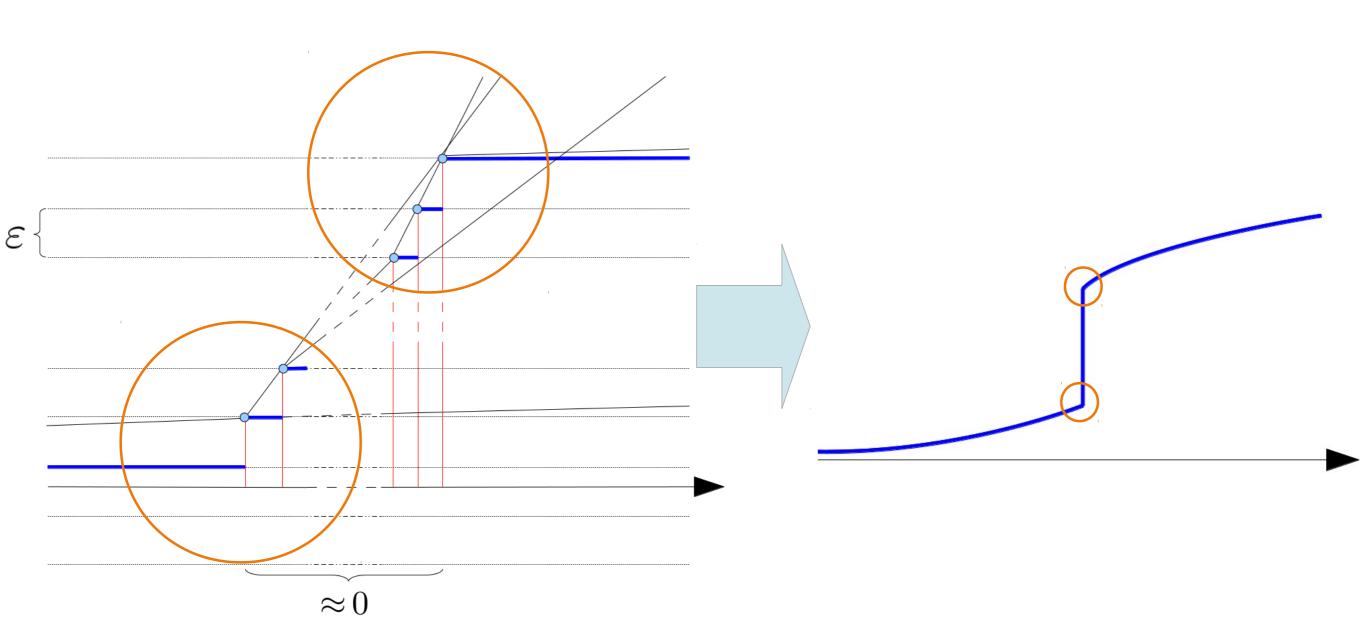


• Force all dense-time signals to have discrete codomains

The meaning of ODE \mathcal{E} $\dot{x} = f(x, y)$ x(0) = rr $au_2 au_3 au_4$ au_5 au_1 au_0

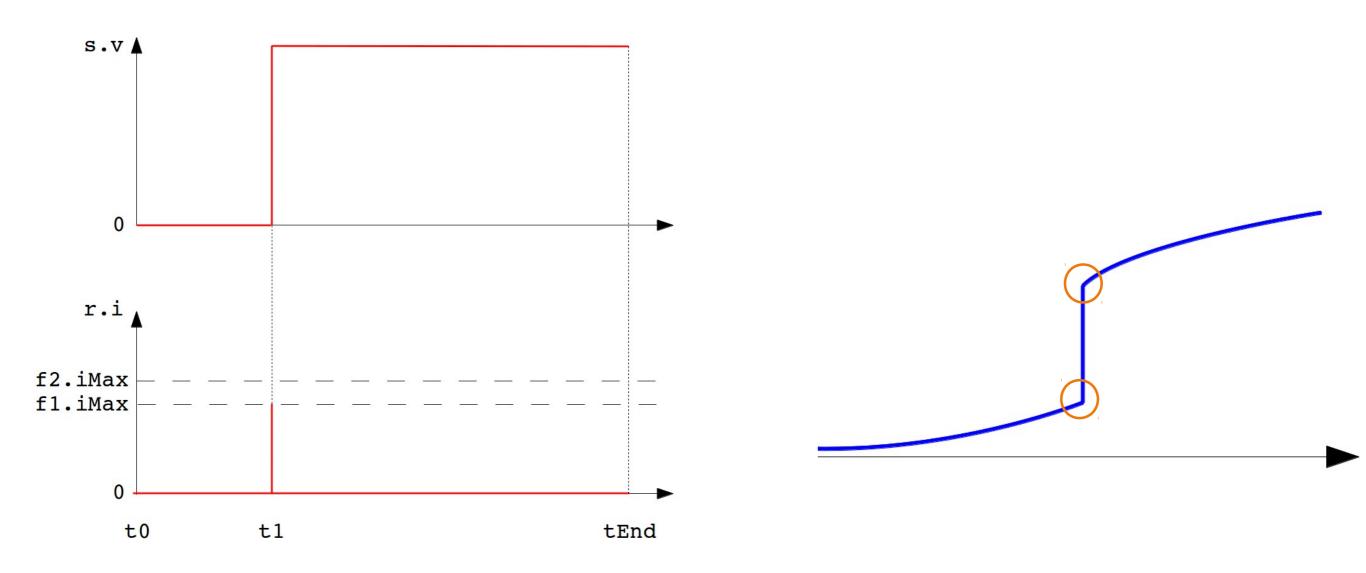
• Red dots indicate events on the input signal

Inifinite slope signals



• After "standardisation" they have vertical slopes

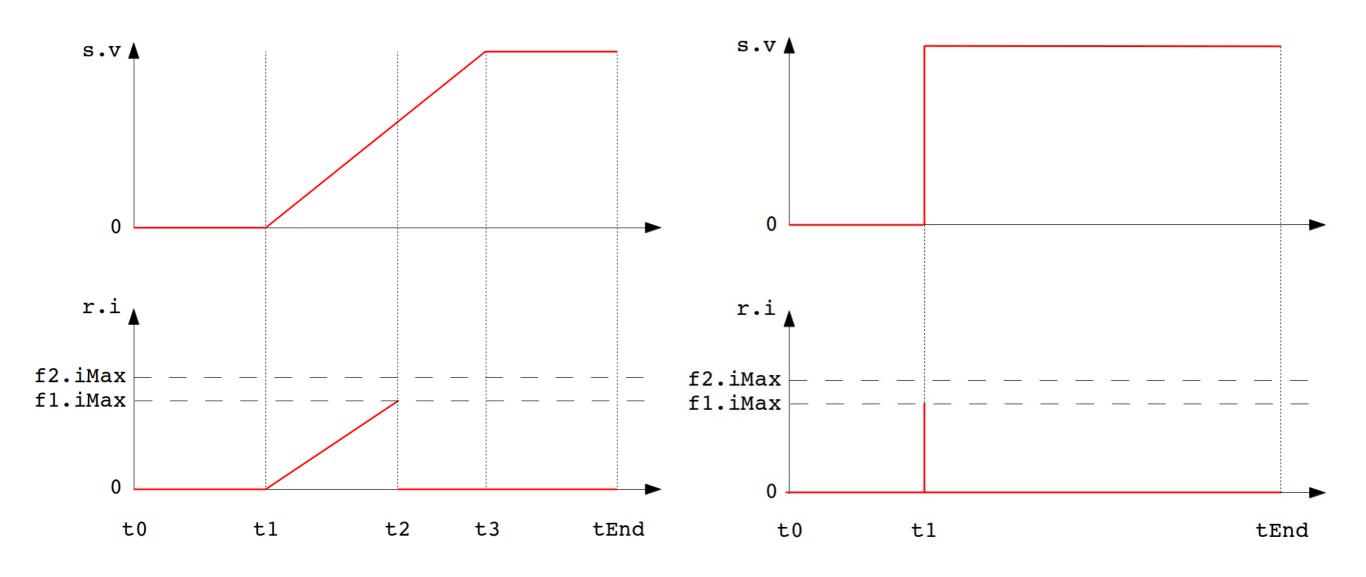
Back to the circuit



 When the current reaches the rated value of the first fuse, this produces an input event, inverting the slope

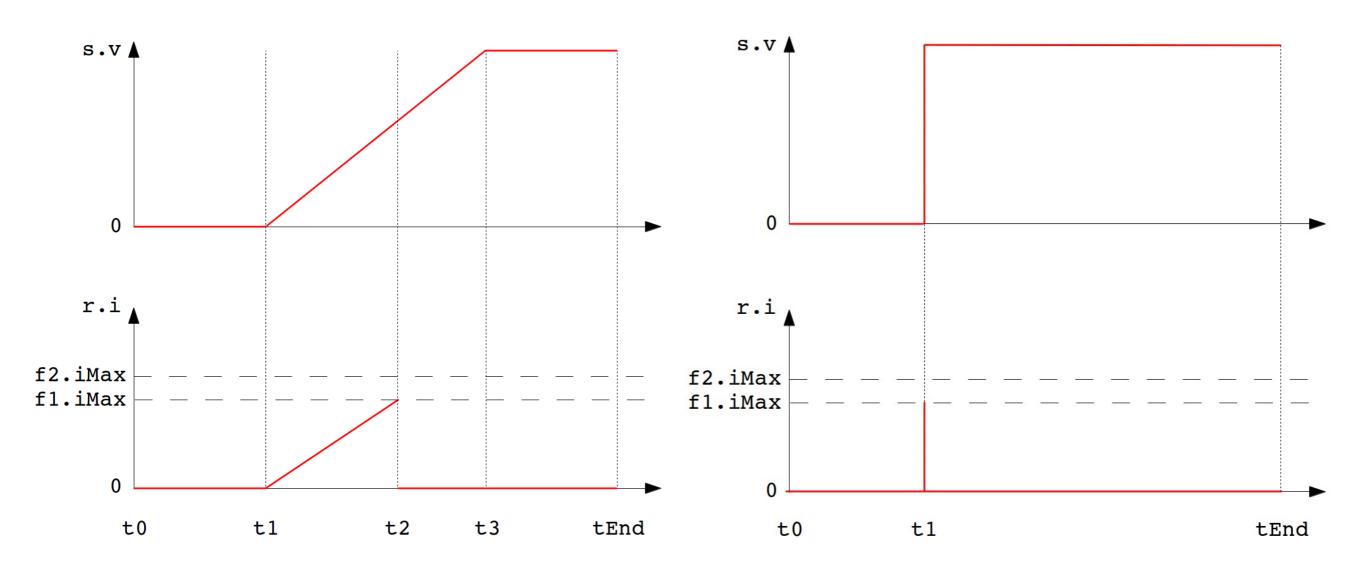


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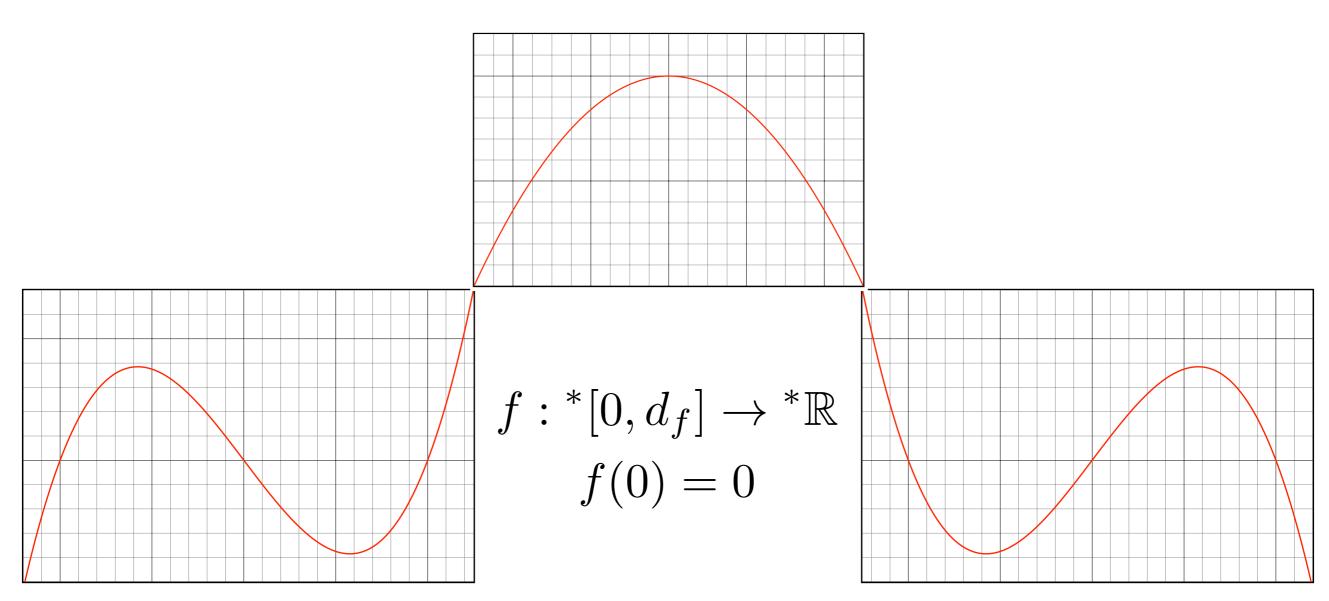
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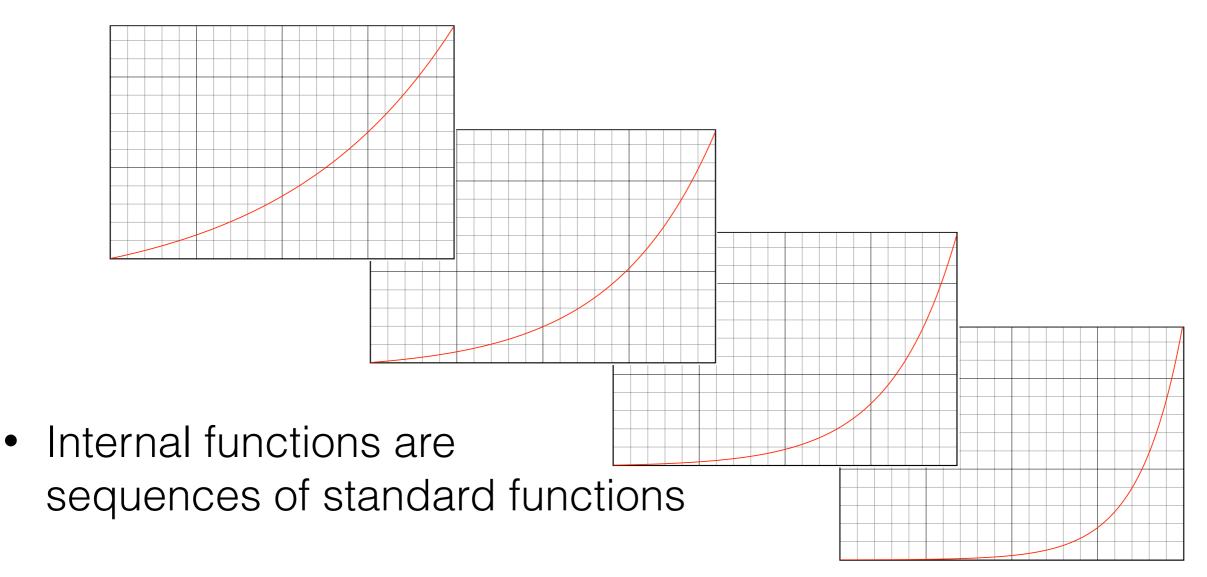
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Signets



- Consider signals as sequences of additive signets
- A signet is a non-standard continuous internal function

Specifying abstraction



- As a consequence of Łoś' theorem, we can reason on standard functions to draw conclusions about the signet
- Use this to derive interval boundaries for the interval abstraction

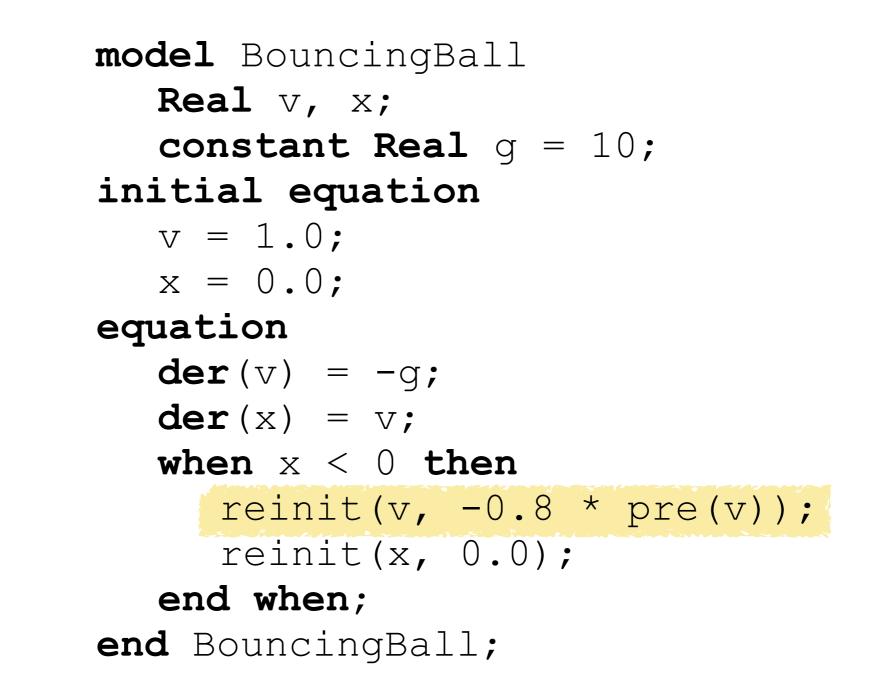
Conclusion

- We proposed a semantic model for hybrid signals
 - Uniform (linear) and dense nature of time
 - The "physical" properties of signals (read "continuity")
- Operational, although not directly implementable
 - Describes how to compute the exact solution of a system of dynamic equations
 - Disregarding the finiteness of computational resources
- Can serve as a basis for reasoning and implementation
 - Concrete implementations approximate the solution with **non-infinitesimal** error
 - New language features can be discussed on a sound basis
- First step towards formalising signal abstraction

Appendix

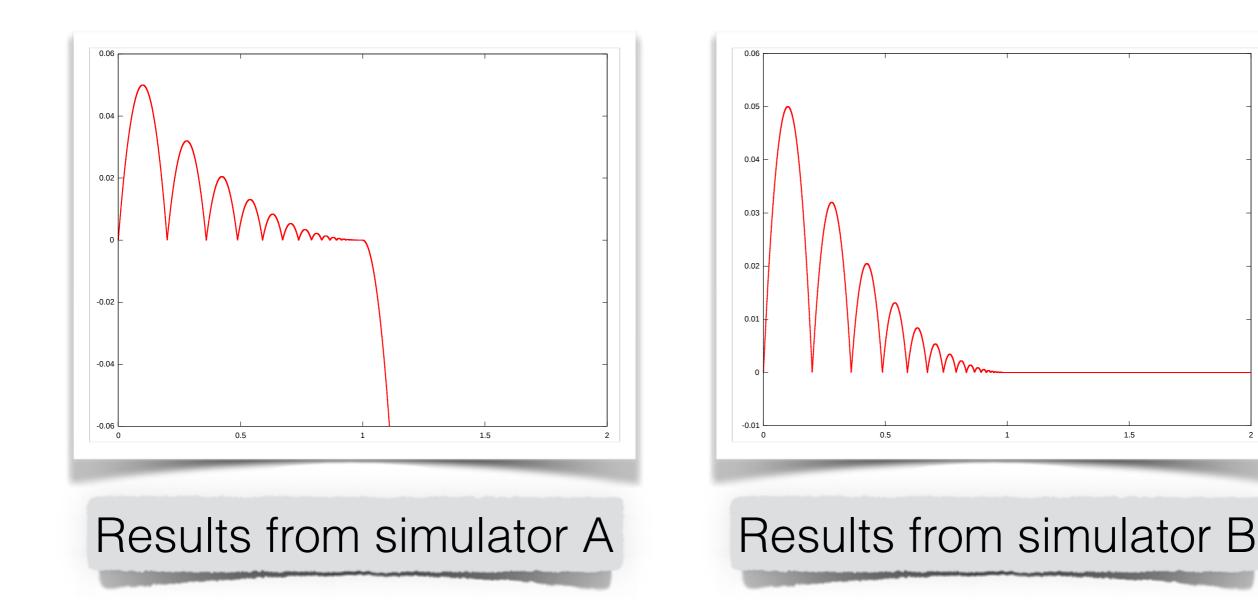
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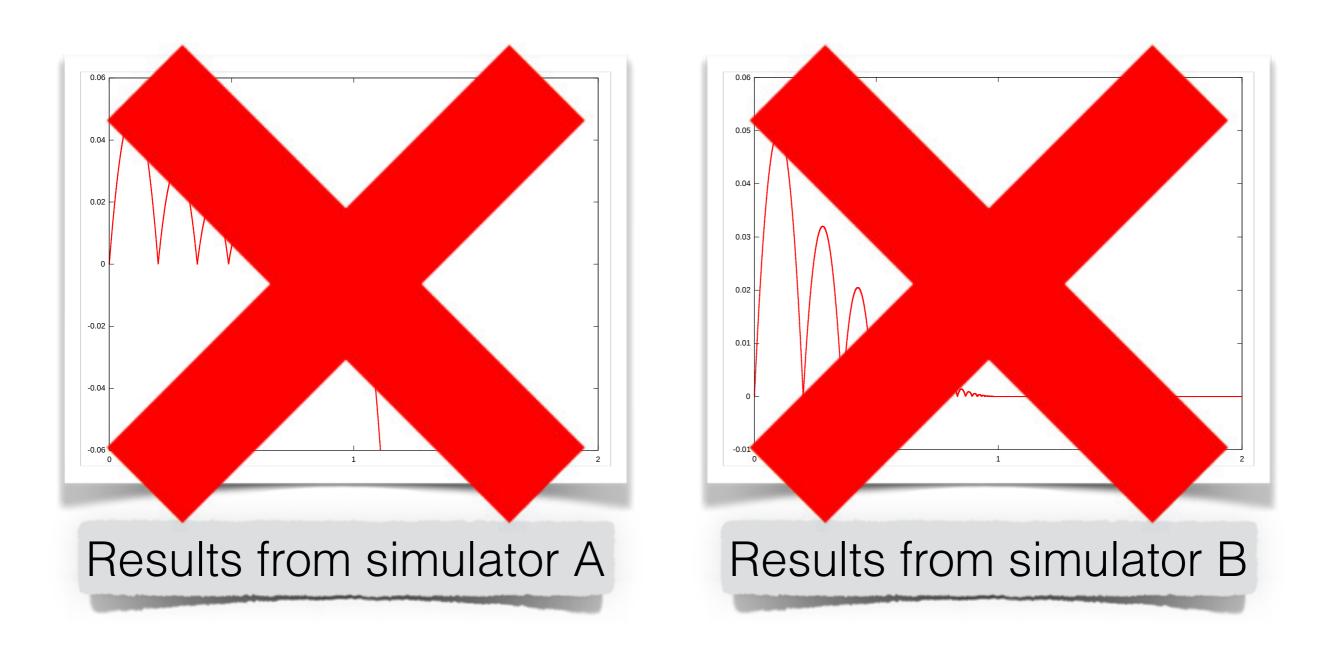




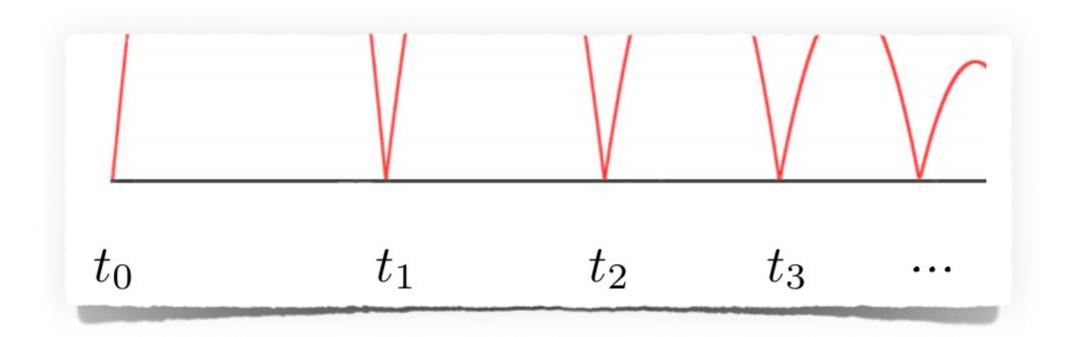
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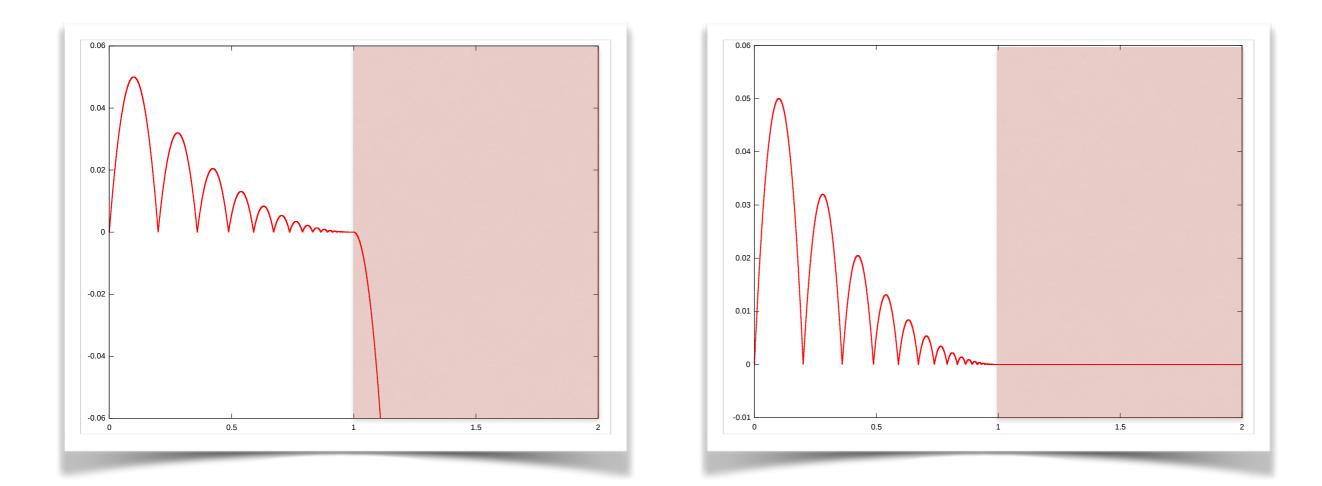


What's wrong?



$$\lim_{n \to \infty} t_n - t_0 = \frac{10v_0}{g} = 1$$

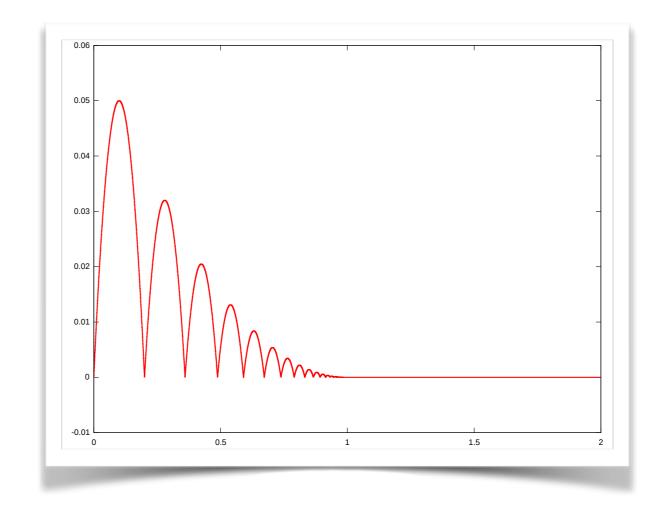
Zeno point



The model is undefined beyond the Zeno point!

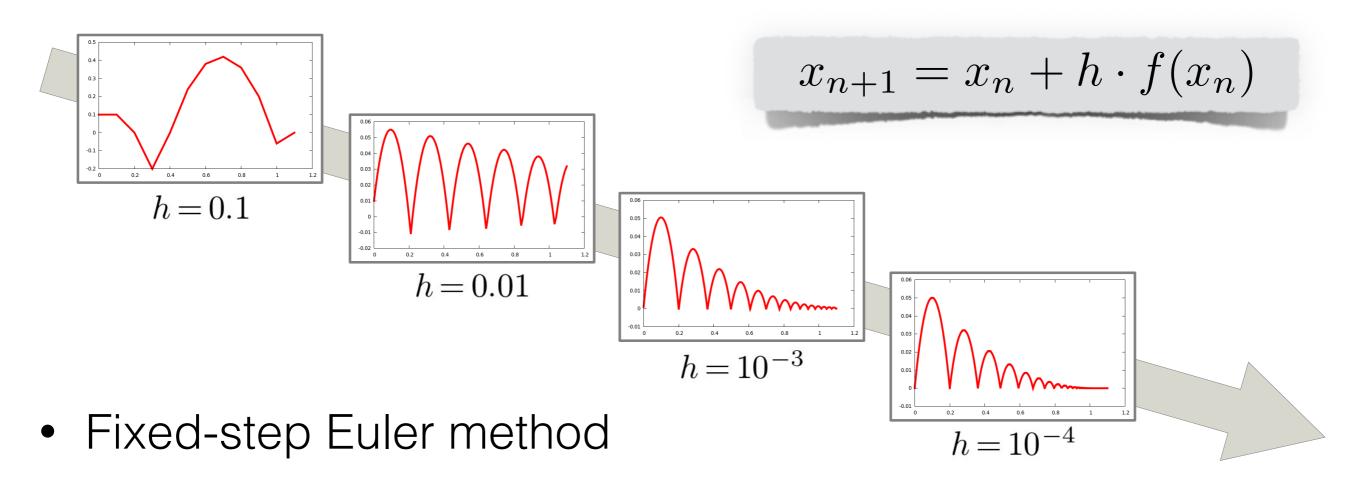
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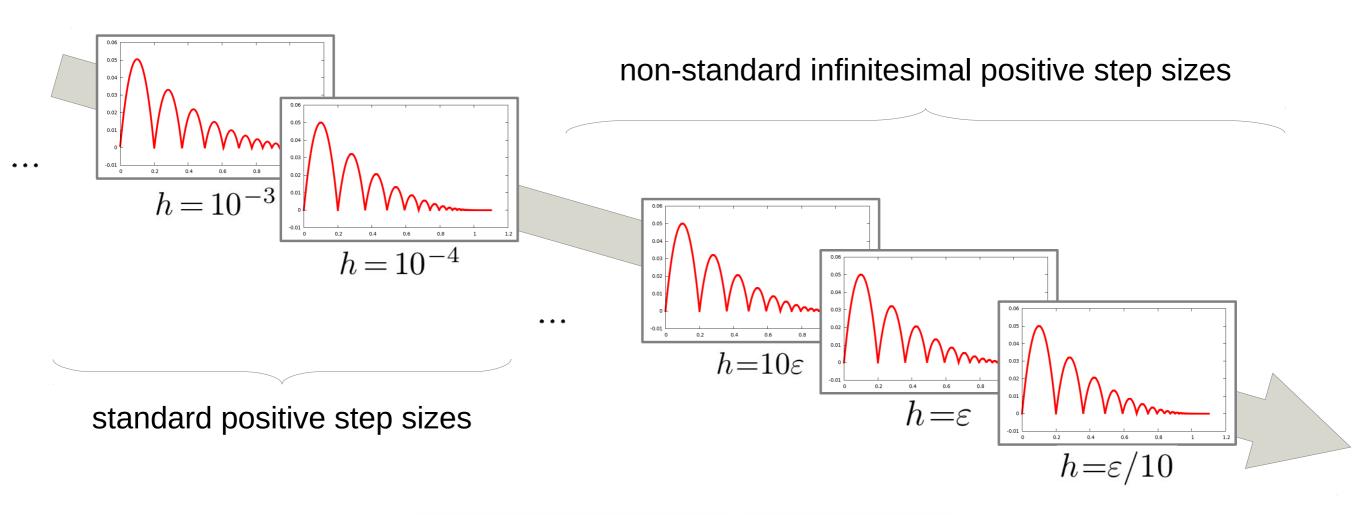
This model is an **idealised** representation of the real-world behaviour of the ball.

Approximation



- Approximates the desired model behaviour
 - Necessarily oversteps the Zeno point
- To fit all models, we need an infinitesimal step.

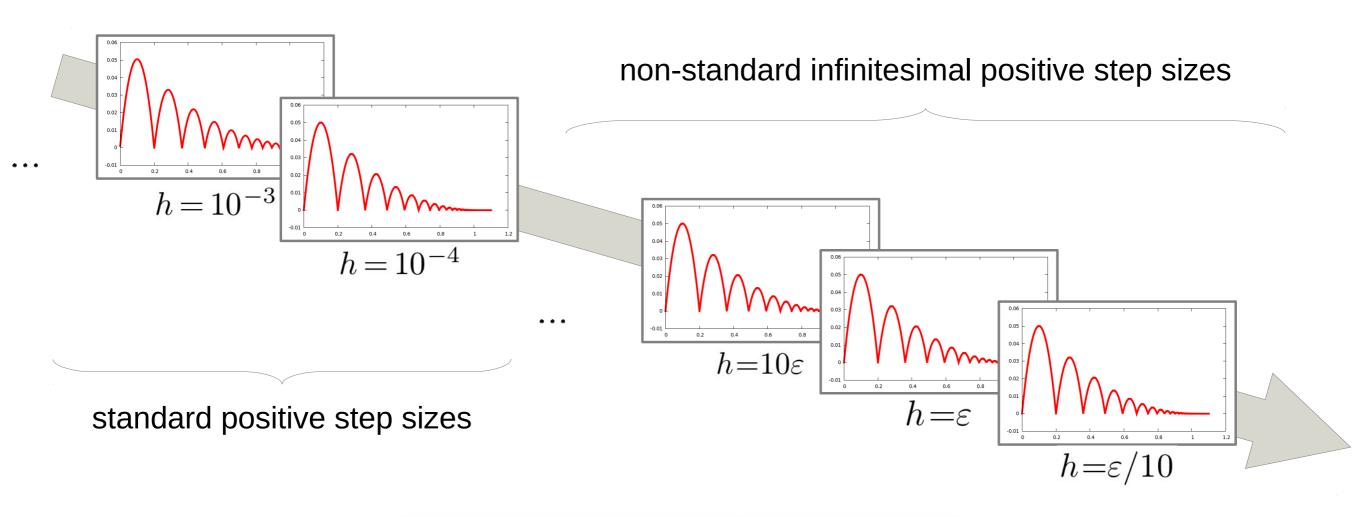
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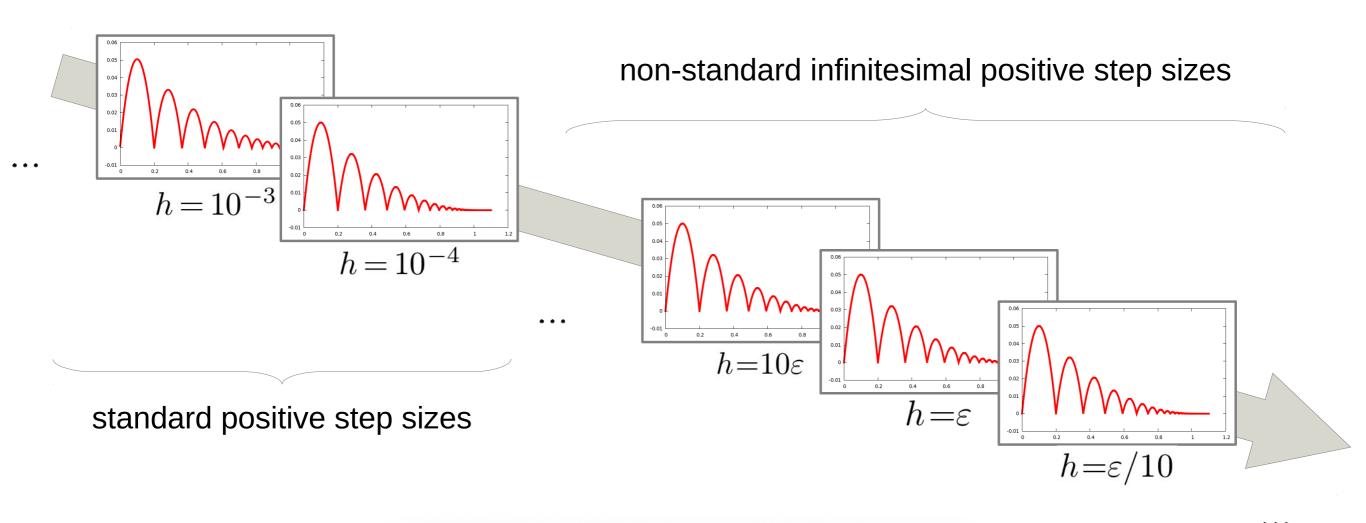
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