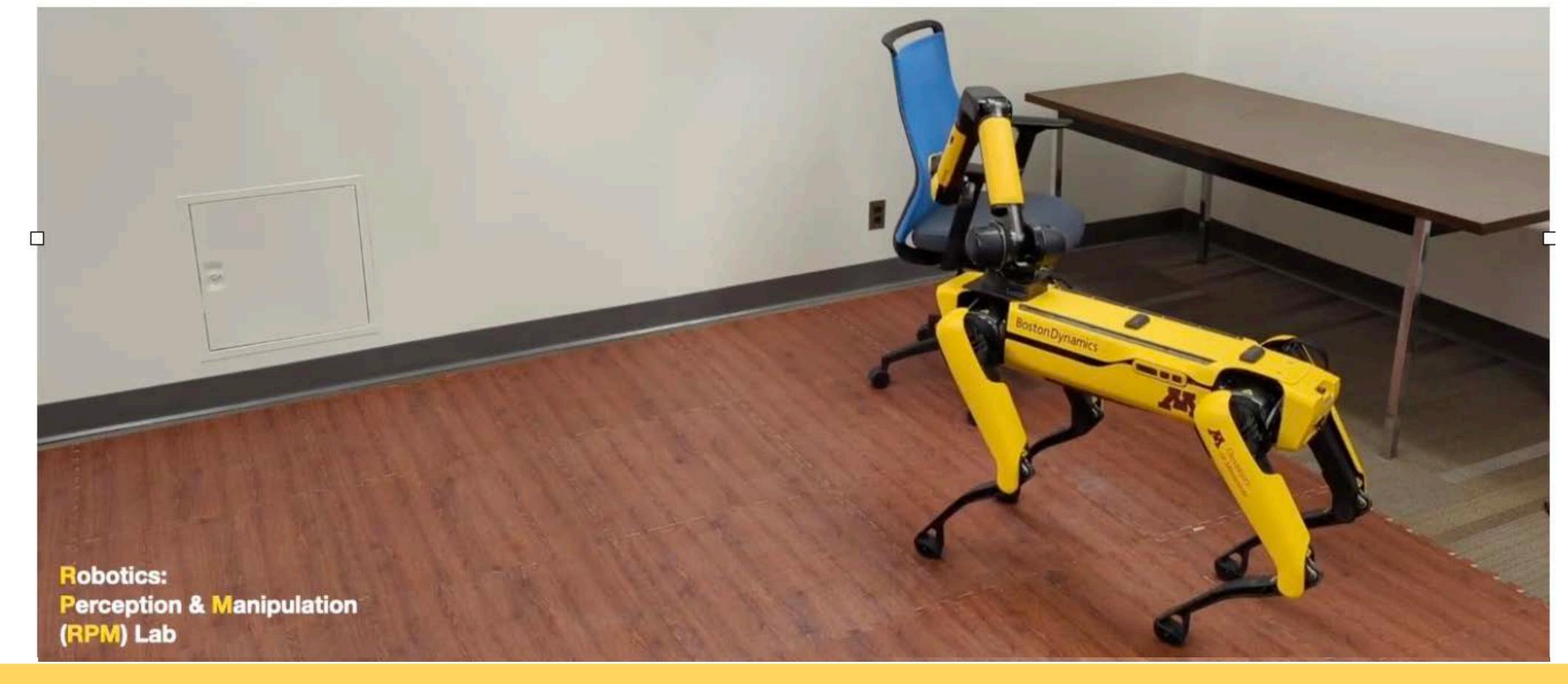
Lecture 15 Planning - New Frontiers & Motion Control





Course Logistics

- Quiz 7 was posted yesterday and was due today at noon.
 - We will start posting quiz at 3pm starting next week.
- Project 5 was posted on 03/05 and is due on 03/24 (coming Monday).
- Project 6 will be posted on 03/24 and will be due on 04/02.
- Forming groups for P7 and Final Project
 - Google-form was sent on Ed discussion board.
 - Please form groups of 4 by 03/24 (coming Monday).
 - UNITE students will likely have different group formations. Karthik has reached out via email.



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		Introduction	r roject Amiouncement	1 Toject Due	QUIL
		Planning I - Path Planning			
		Linear Algebra Refresher	P1: JS, BFS, DFS		Q1
4	02/03	Representations I - Transformations			
5	02/05	Representations II - Rotations - Quaternions	P2: Forward Kinematics	P1: Due	Q2
6	02/10	Manipulation I - Forward Kinematics			
7	02/12	Manipulation II - Inverse Kinematics	P3: Robot Dance	P2: Due	Q3
8	02/17	Manipulation III - Inverse Kinematics			
9	02/19	Manipulation - New Frontiers	P4: Inverse Kinematics	P3: Due	Q4
10	02/24	Planning II - Bug Algorithms			
11	02/26	Planning III - Configuration Space			Q5
12	03/03	Planning IV - Sampling-based Planning			
13	03/05	Planning V - Collision Detection	P5: Planning	P4: Due	Q6
14	03/10	Spring Break			
15	03/12	Spring Break			
16	03/17	Planning VI - Potential Fields	Forming groups for P7 and FP		
17	03/19	Planning - New Frontiers - Motion Control			Q7
18	03/24	Mobile Robotics I - Probability	P6: Mobile Manipulation	P5: Due & Groups	
19	03/26	Mobile Robotics II - Sensor and Motion Models			Q8
20	03/31	Mobile Robotics III - Kalman	FP: Proposals Request		
21	04/02	Mobile Robotics IV - Localization	P7: Real Robot Challenge	P6: Due	Q9
		Mobile Robotics V - Localization			
23	04/09	Mobile Robotics VI - Mapping			Q10
24	04/14	Mobile Robotics VII - SLAM		FP: Proposals Due	
		Open Ended Final Project Pitches			Q11
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		Open Ended Final Project Pitches		P7: Due	Q12
		Guest Lecture - Adam Imdieke (PhD student)			
		Guest Lecture - Xun Tu (PhD student)		FP Posters Due	Extra Q13
30	05/05	Poster Day		FP Videos Due	



Where are we in the course?

Representations

- 1. Transformations
- 2. Rotations & Quaternions

Manipulation

- 1. Forward Kinematics
- 2. Inverse Kinematics

Planning

- 1. Path Planning
- 2. Bugs
- 3. Configuration space
- 4. Sampling based planners
- 5. Potential Fields
- 6. Collision Detection

Motion Control

Mobile Robotics



Motion Planning

Sampling-based Planning

PRM, RRT, ...

Heuristic Discrete Search Methods

Graph, A, ...*

Optimization-based Planning

TrajOPT, CHOMP, ...



Demo

https://demonstrations.wolfram.com/ProbabilisticRoadmapMethodForRobotArm/

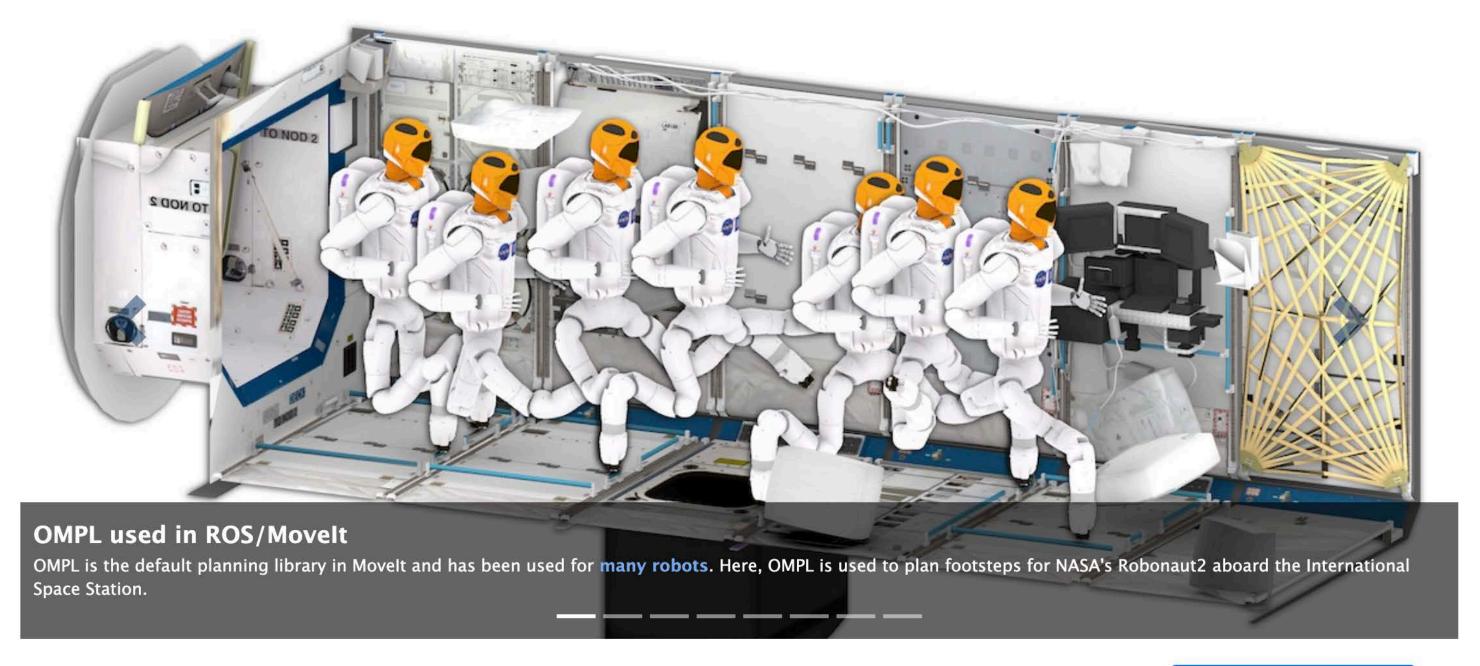


Motion Planning

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Q Search

The Open Motion Planning Library



OMPL, the Open Motion Planning Library, consists of many state-of-the-art sampling-based motion planning algorithms. OMPL itself does not contain any code related to, e.g., collision checking or visualization. This is a deliberate design choice, so that OMPL is not tied to a particular collision checker or visualization front end. The library is designed so it can be easily integrated into systems that provide the additional needed components.

OMPL.app, the front-end for OMPL, contains a lightweight wrapper for the FCL and PQP collision checkers and a simple GUI based on PyQt / PySide. The graphical front-end can be used for planning motions for rigid bodies and a few vehicle types (firstorder and second-order cars, a blimp, and a quadrotor). It relies on the Assimp library to import a large variety of mesh formats that can be used to represent the robot and its environment.

Download version 1.6.0 Released: Jan 16, 2023

Click for citation, if you use OMPL in your work



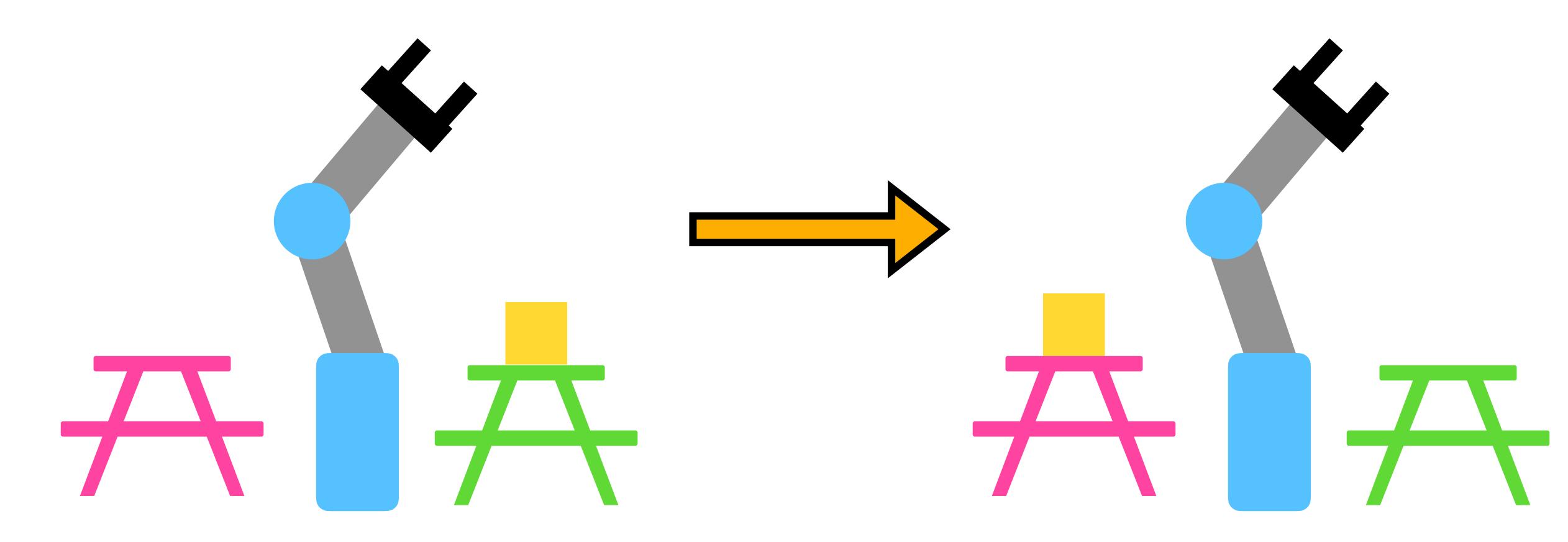


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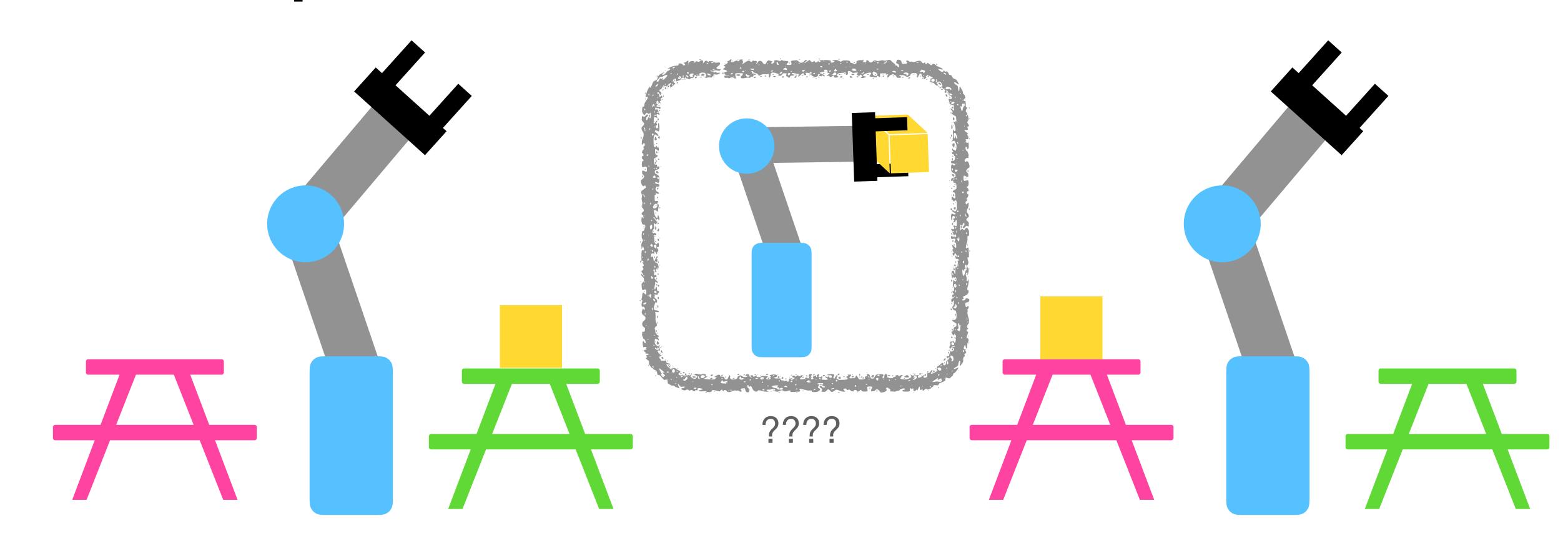


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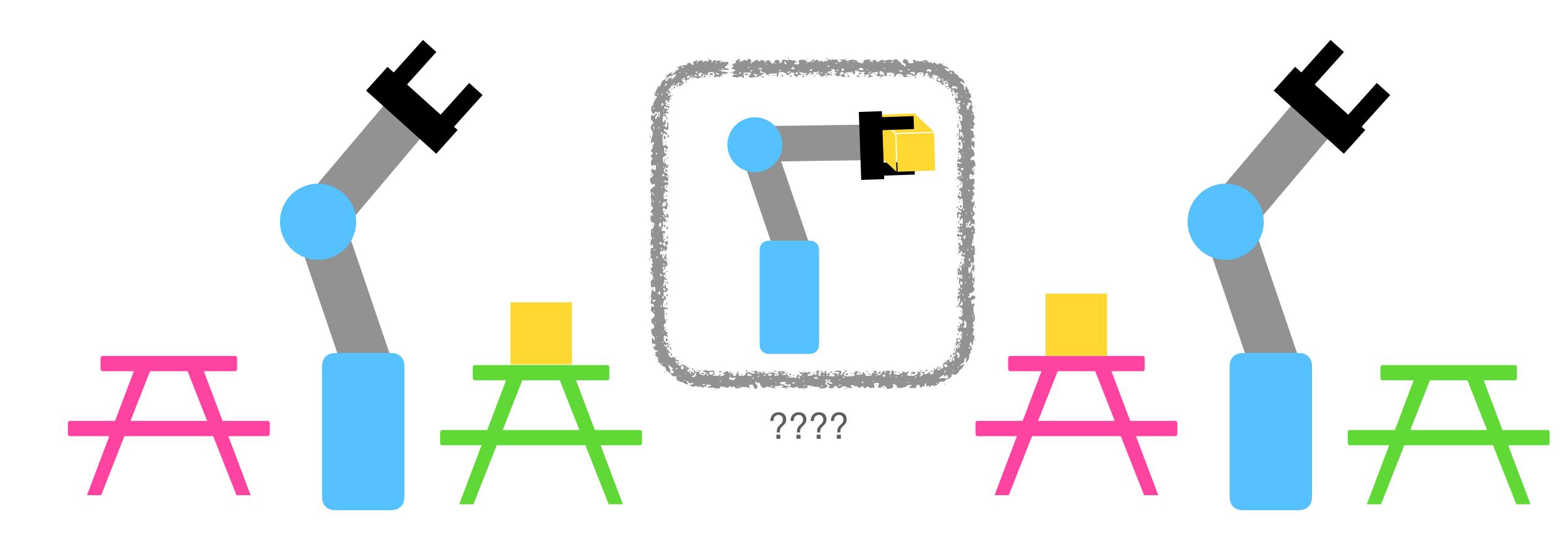




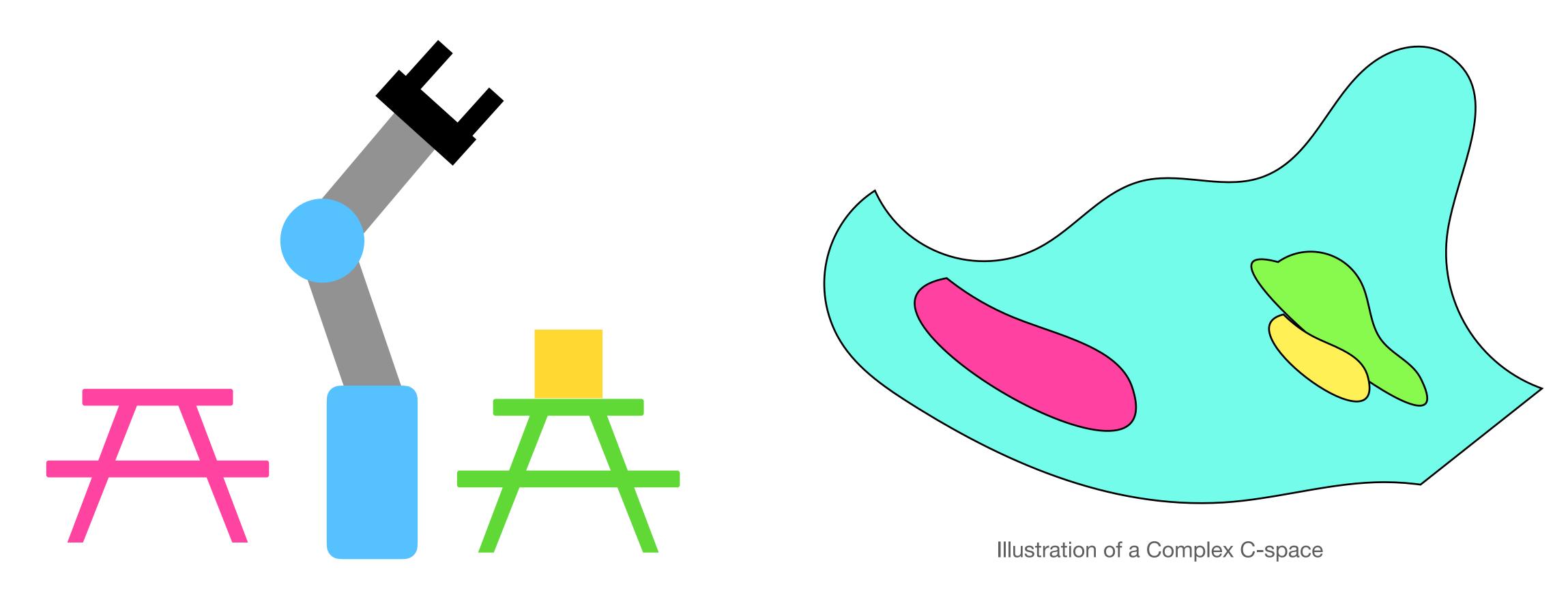
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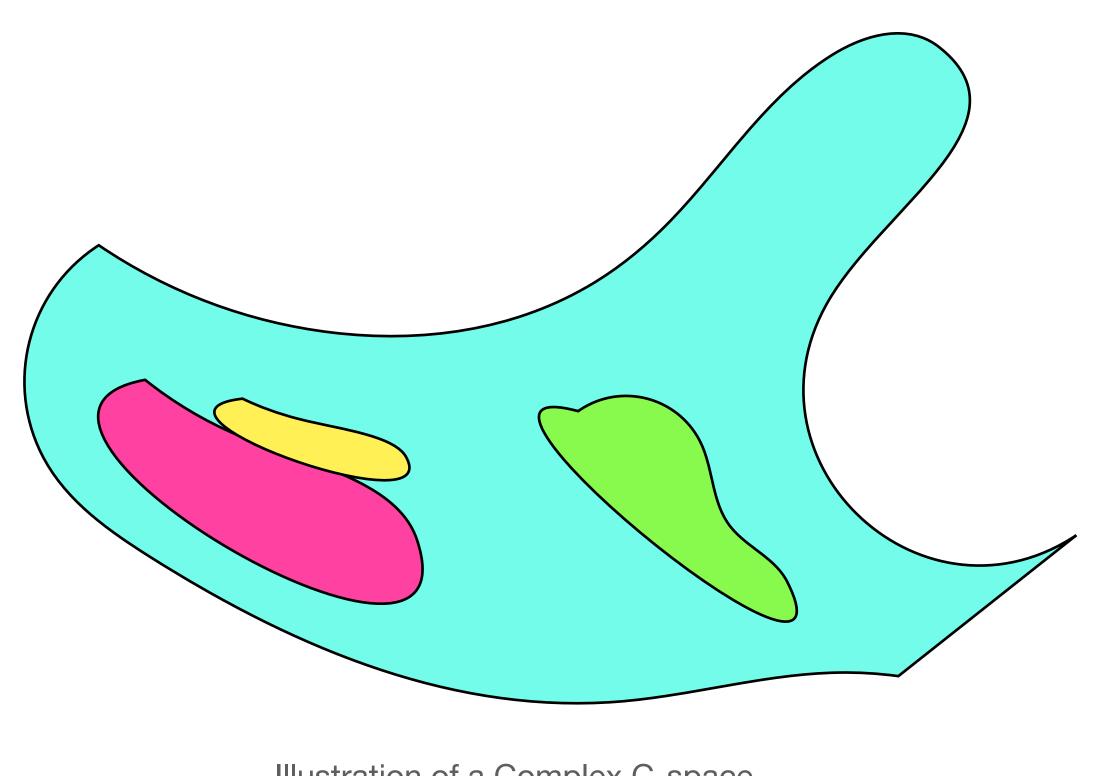


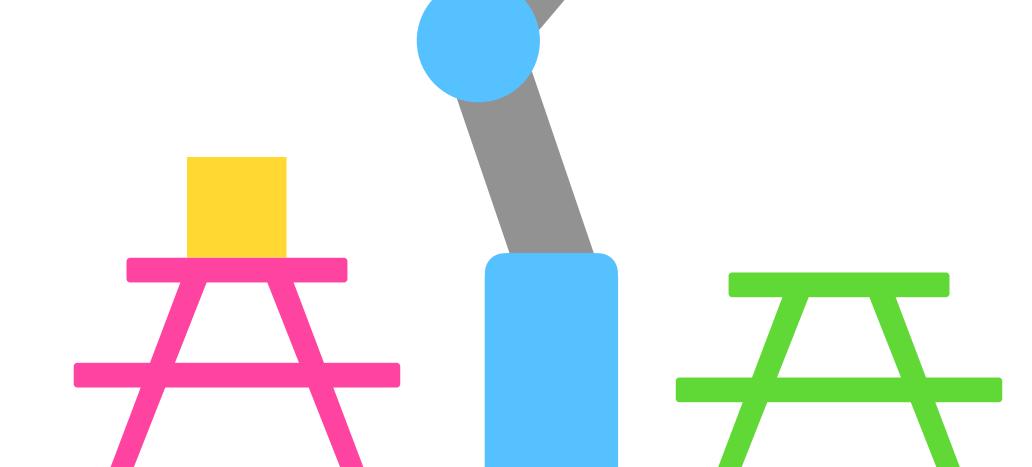






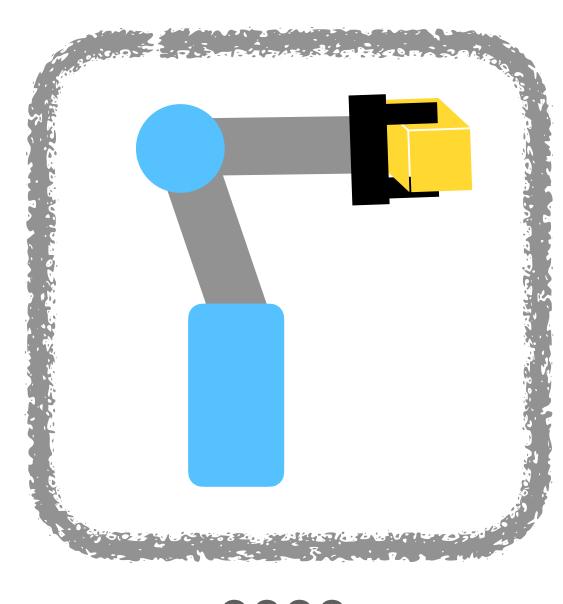












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What would be a C-space after robot grasped the object?

How do we switch between these C-spaces?





How do we switch between these C-spaces?

Considering we have so many *high-level* actions that robot can perform, how to plan to choose the sequence of *high-level* actions?

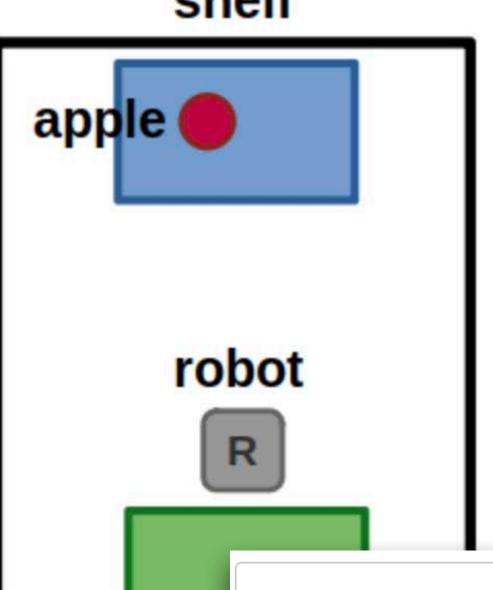
Robot 'PR2' flips a pancake in a laboratory kitchen of the Institute for Artificial Intelligence (IAI) at the Institute of Informatics and Automation (TZI) of Bremen University in Bremen, Germany. The robot can experimentally do household tasks and is part of a European project.



Task Planning



shelf



Fetch the apple and put it on the table

- 1. **Move** to the *shelf*
- 2. **Pick** up the *apple*
- 3. **Move** back to the *table*
- 4. **Place** the *apple*

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• Domain: The task-agnostic part
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- Predicates: (Robot ?r), (Object ?o), (Location ?loc), (At ?r ?loc), (Holding ?r ?o), etc.
- Actions: move(?r ?loc1 ?loc2), pick(?r ?o ?loc),
 place(?r ?o ?loc)
- Problem: The task-specific part
 - Objects: (Robot robot), (Location shelf), (Location table), (Object apple)
 - Initial state: (HandEmpty robot), (At robot table), (At apple shelf)
 - Goal specification: (At apple table)

(:action move

Simple task planning en move between a finite

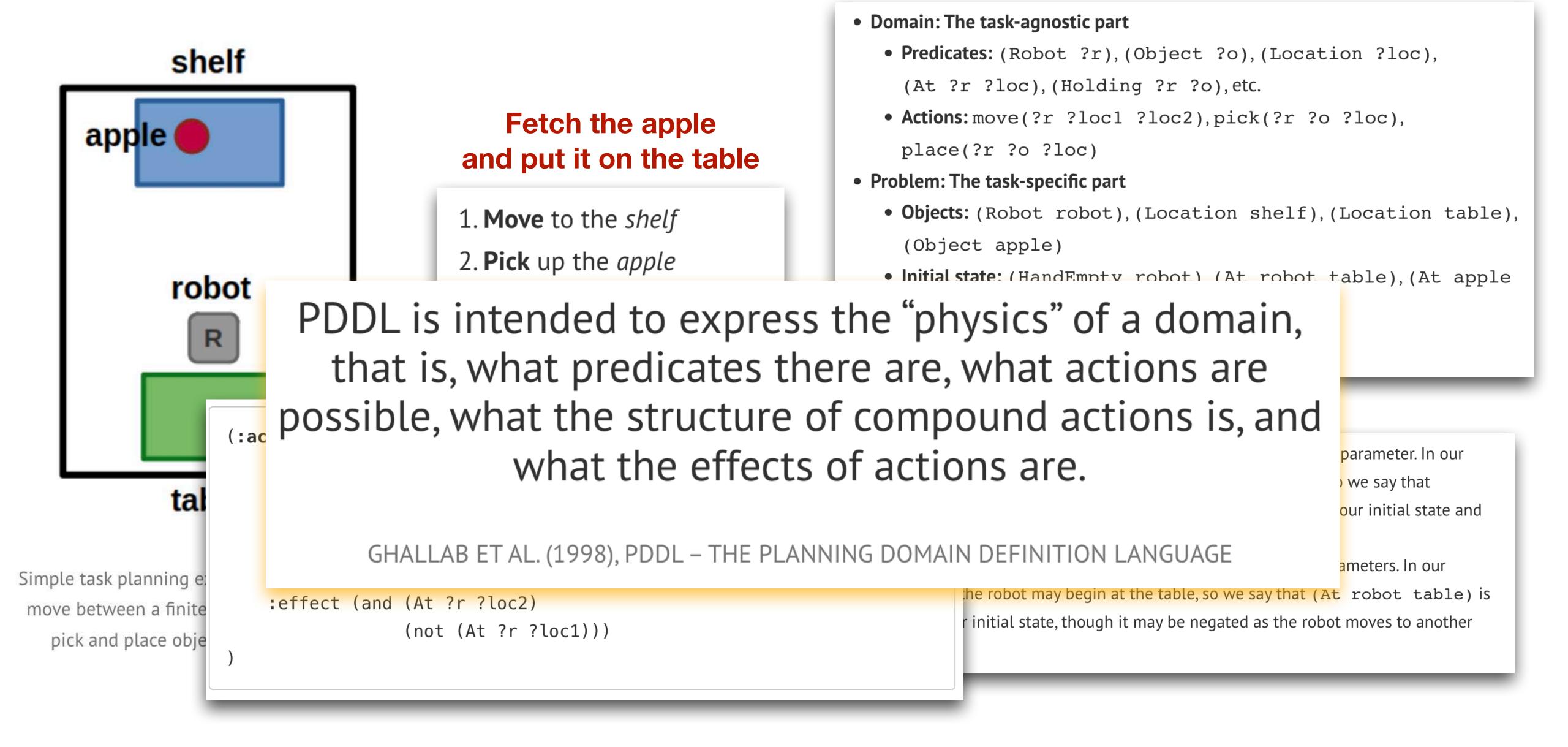
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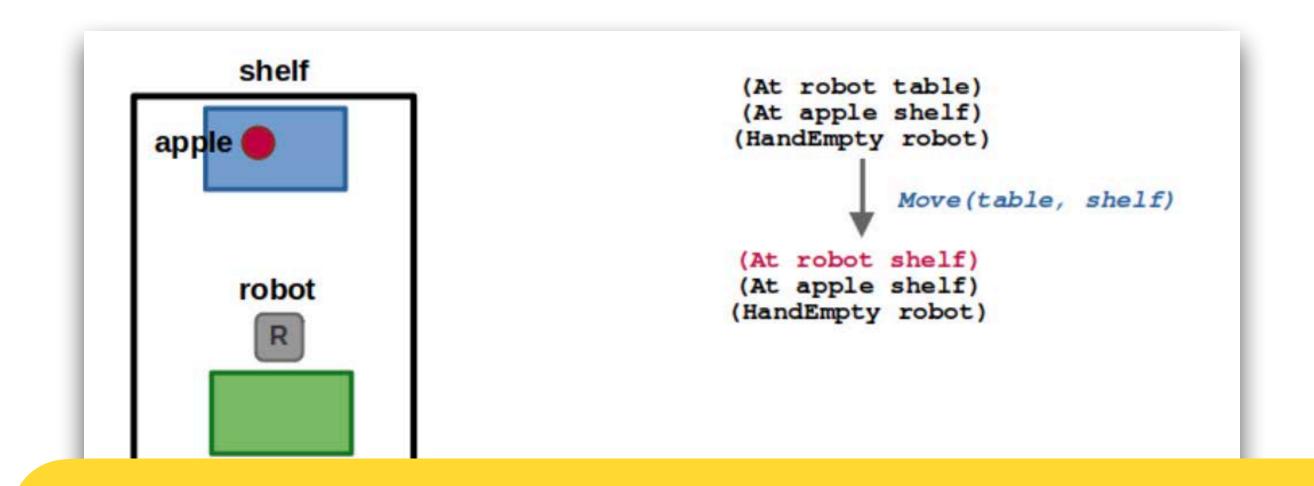
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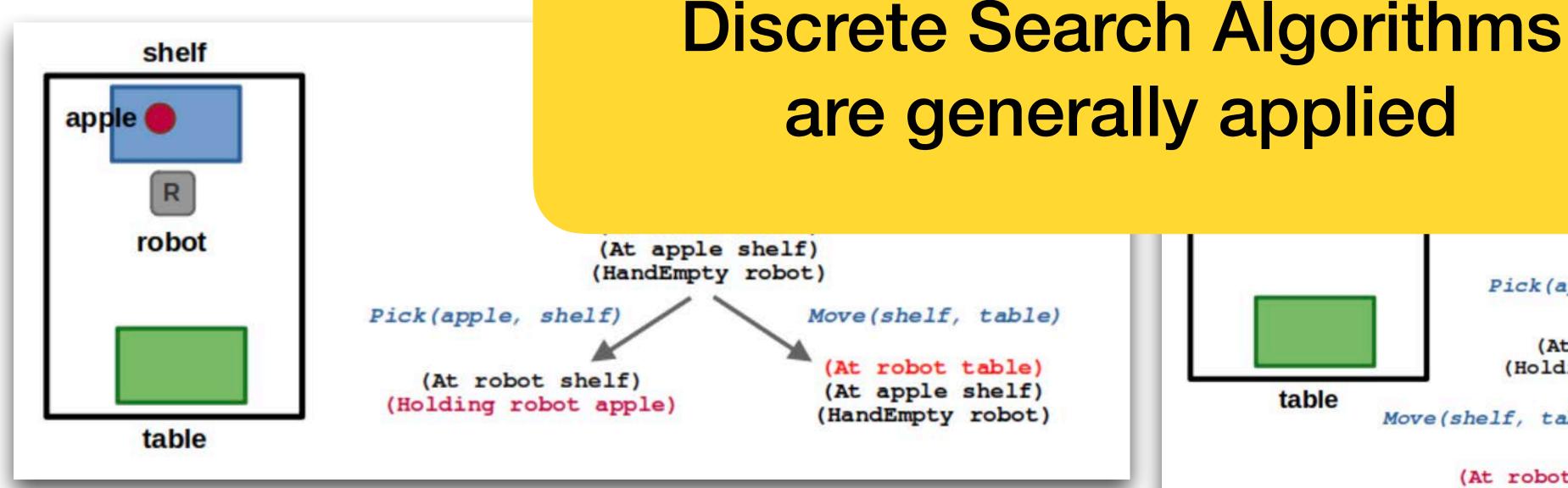
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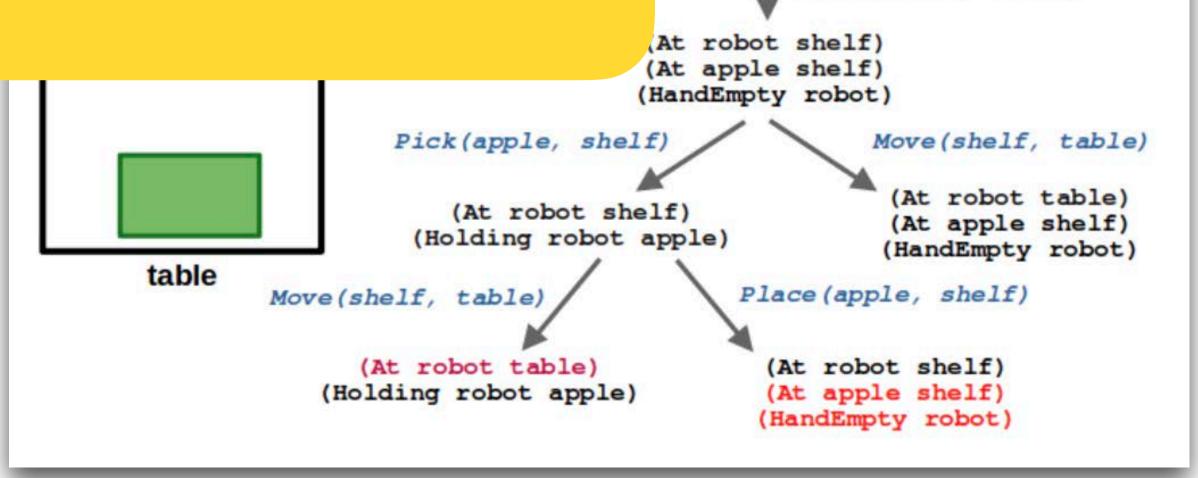












https://roboticseabass.com/2022/07/19/task-planning-in-robotics/

At robot table)
At apple shelf)

HandEmpty robot)

Move(table, shelf)



STRIPS planner



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The **Stanford Research Institute Problem Solver**, known by its acronym **STRIPS**, is an automated planner developed by Richard Fikes and Nils Nilsson in 1971 at SRI International.^[1] The same name was later used to refer to the formal language of the inputs to this planner. This language is the base for most of the languages for expressing automated planning problem instances in use today; such languages are commonly known as action languages. This article only describes the language, not the planner.

Definition [edit]

A STRIPS instance is composed of:

- An initial state:
- The specification of the goal states situations that the planner is trying to reach;
- A set of actions. For each action, the following are included:
 - preconditions (what must be established before the action is performed);
 - postconditions (what is established after the action is performed).

Mathematically, a STRIPS instance is a quadruple $\langle P, O, I, G \rangle$, in which each component has the following meaning:

- 1. P is a set of *conditions* (i.e., propositional variables);
- 2. O is a set of *operators* (i.e., actions); each operator is itself a quadruple $\langle \alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta \rangle$, each element being a set of conditions. These four sets specify, in order, which conditions must be true for the action to be executable, which ones must be false, which ones are made true by the action and which ones are made false;
- 3. I is the initial state, given as the set of conditions that are initially true (all others are assumed false);
- 4. G is the specification of the goal state; this is given as a pair $\langle N, M \rangle$, which specify which conditions are true and false, respectively, in order for a state to be considered a goal state.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stanford_Research_Institute_Problem_Solver



Task Planning with LLMs



Lets ask ChatGPT



I have the following objects on my kitchen counter.



- 1. Coffee mug.
- 2. Water Kettle.
- 3. Water dispenser.
- 4. Instant Coffee powder in a container.
- 5. Table spoon.

Additionally, I have the following in the fridge.

- 1. oat milk,
- 2. whole milk,
- 3. chocolate milk.

What steps should I take in order make a cup of coffee with chocolate milk.



ChatGPT response



To make a cup of coffee with chocolate milk, you can follow these steps:

Ingredients:

- 1. Coffee mug
- 2. Instant coffee powder
- 3. Chocolate milk (from the fridge)
- 4. Water (for the coffee)

Instructions:

1. Prepare the Coffee:

- Fill the water kettle with the desired amount of water for your coffee and turn it on to boil. You'll need this hot water to make coffee.
- While waiting for the water to boil, place a table spoon of instant coffee powder into your coffee mug.

2. Pour Hot Water:

 Once the water in the kettle has boiled, carefully pour the hot water into the coffee mug with the instant coffee powder. Use the desired amount of hot water to achieve your preferred coffee strength.

3. Stir the Coffee:

 Use the table spoon to stir the hot water and instant coffee powder together until the coffee is well mixed and any lumps have dissolved.

4. Add Chocolate Milk:

- Open your fridge and take the chocolate milk out.
- Pour the desired amount of chocolate milk into the coffee mug with the coffee. The amount can vary depending on how strong you want your coffee to taste and how much chocolate flavor you prefer.

5. Table spoon
6. Water kettle
7. Water dispenser (for room tem ratu warr)

5. Stir Again:

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6. Taste and Adjust:

 Taste the coffee with chocolate milk to ensure it's to your liking. If you prefer it sweeter, you can add more chocolate milk. If it's too strong or too sweet, you can add a bit of water to dilute it.

7. Enjoy:

 Your cup of coffee with chocolate milk is now ready to enjoy. You can sip it while it's still warm.

Remember to be cautious when handling hot water, and be sure not to overheat your chocolate milk when adding it to the coffee. Adjust the ratios of coffee to chocolate milk to match your taste preferences.



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Do As I Can, Not As I Say:

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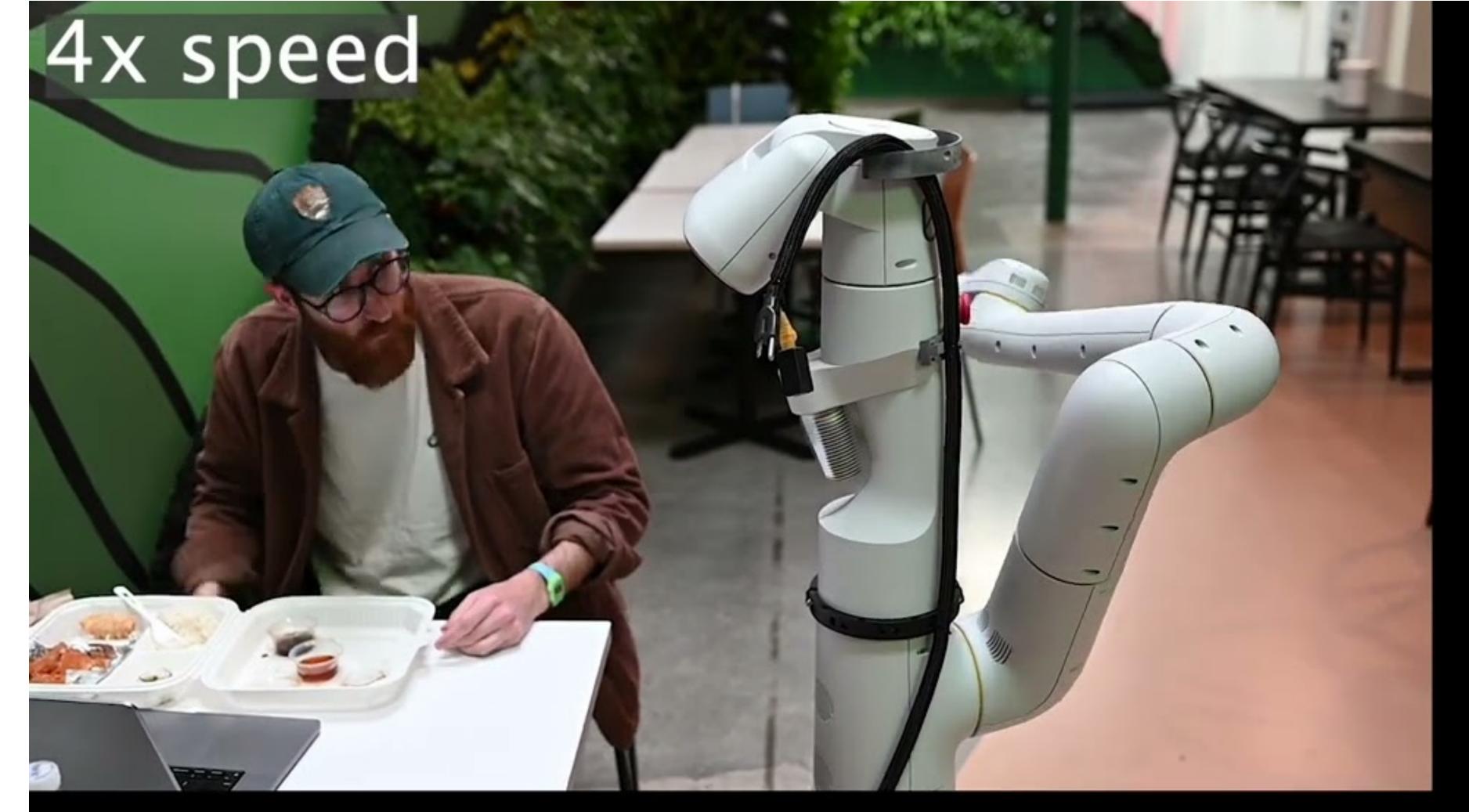
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What's New

- [8/16/2022] We integrated SayCan with Pathways Language Model (PaLM), and updated the results. We also added new capabilities including drawer manipulation, chain of thought prompting and multilingual instructions. You can see all the new results in the updated paper.
- [8/16/2022] Our updated results show that SayCan combined with the improved language model (PaLM), which we refer to as PaLM-SayCan, improves the **robotics performance** of the entire system compared to a previous LLM (FLAN). PaLM-SayCan chooses the correct sequence of skills 84% of the time and executes them successfully 74% of the time, reducing errors by a half compared to FLAN. This is particularly exciting because it represents the first time we can see how an improvement in language models translates to a similar improvement in robotics.
- [8/16/2022] We open-sourced a version of SayCan on a simulated tabletop environment.
- [4/4/2022] Initial release of SayCan.



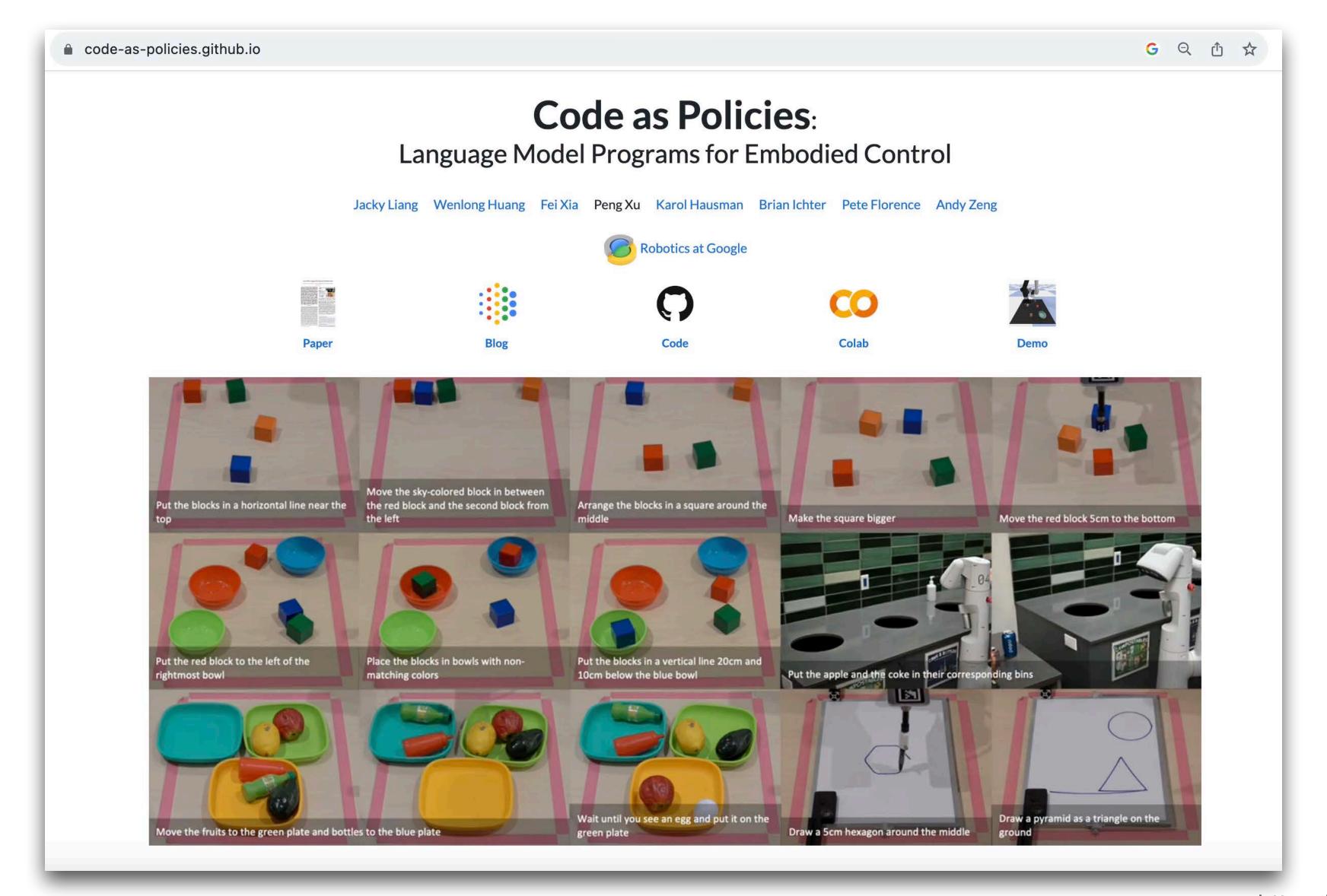


User input: I just worked out, can you bring me a drink and a snack to recover?

Robot: I would 1. find a water bottle, 2. pick up the water bottle 3. bring it to you, 4.___







https://code-as-policies.github.io/

Code as Policies: Language Model Programs for Embodied Control

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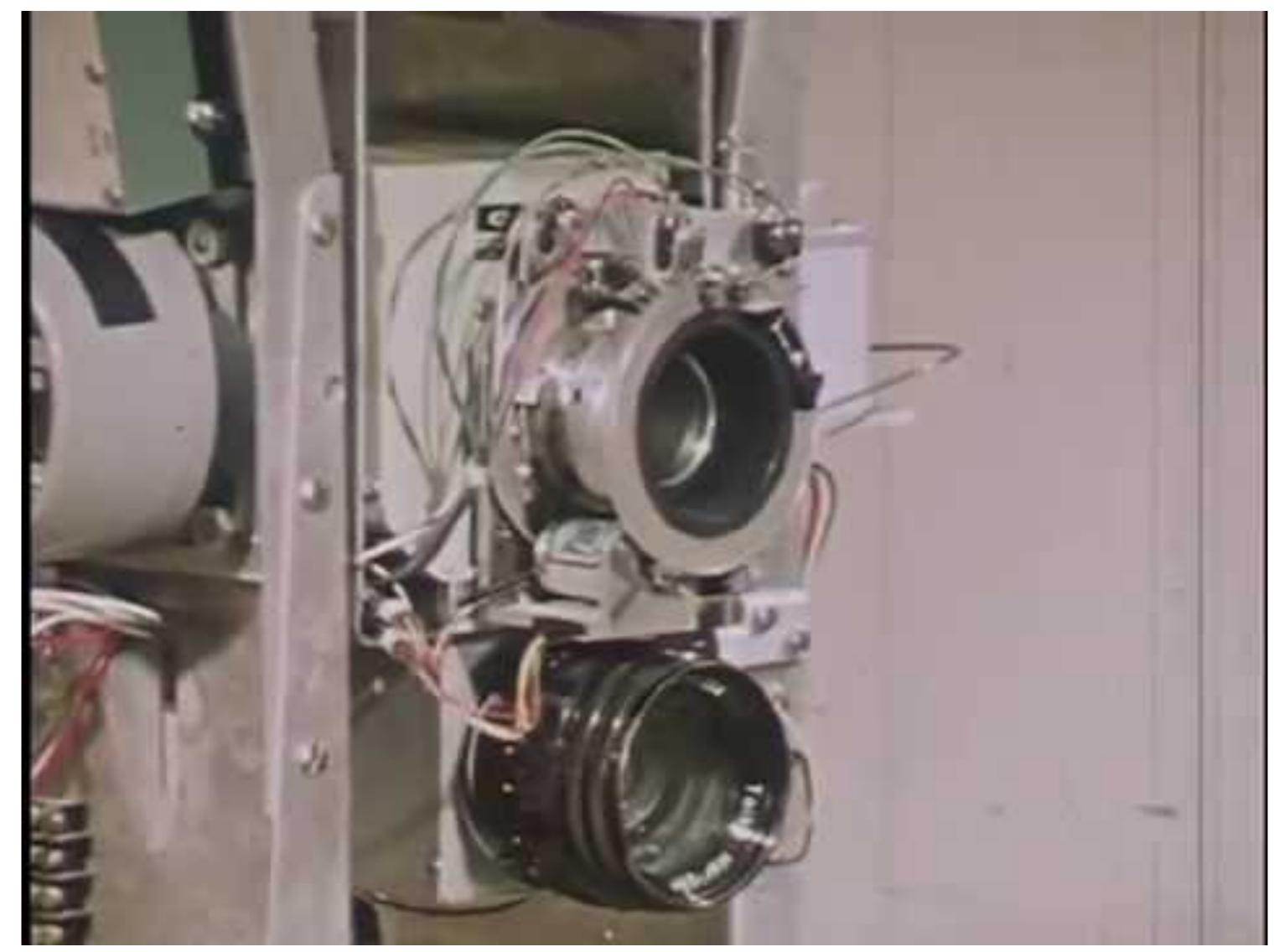
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Task and Motion Planning



From 1966 through 1972, the Artificial Intelligence Center at SRI International (then Stanford Research Institute) conducted research on a mobile robot system nicknamed "Shakey." Endowed with a limited ability to perceive and model its environment, Shakey could perform tasks that required planning, route-finding, and the rearranging of simple objects.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GmU7SimFkpU



Task and Motion Planning

Integrated Task and Motion Planning

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Keywords

task and motion planning, robotics, automated planning, motion planning, manipulation planning

Abstract

The problem of planning for a robot that operates in environments containing a large number of objects, taking actions to move itself through the world as well as to change the state of the objects, is known as task and motion planning (TAMP). TAMP problems contain elements of discrete task planning, discrete-continuous mathematical programming, and continuous motion planning, and thus cannot be effectively addressed by any of these fields directly. In this paper, we define a class of TAMP problems and survey algorithms for solving them, characterizing the solution methods in terms of their strategies for solving the continuous-space subproblems and their techniques for integrating the discrete and continuous components of the search.

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		Kim* (106, 107)	
		Kingston [†] (108)	
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	$Erdem^* (74, 75)$		
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Sequence	Pandey* (110, 111)	Srivastava* (76, 60)	Shoukry* (81, 82, 83)
First	Lozano-Pérez* (112)	Garrett* (55, 73)	Hadfield-Menell* (115)
	Dantam* (77, 78, 79)		
	Lo* (113)		

Table 1: A table that categorizes MMMP and TAMP approaches, based on how they solve HC-SPS and how they integrate with constraint satisfaction with action sequencing. Approaches for MMMP are designated with [†], and approaches for TAMP are designated with *. Each table cell is listed chronologically.

Garrett, Caelan Reed, Rohan Chitnis, Rachel Holladay, Beomjoon Kim, Tom Silver, Leslie Pack Kaelbling, and Tomás Lozano-Pérez. "Integrated task and motion planning." Annua review of control, robotics, and autonomous systems 4 (2021): 265-293.



Motion Control































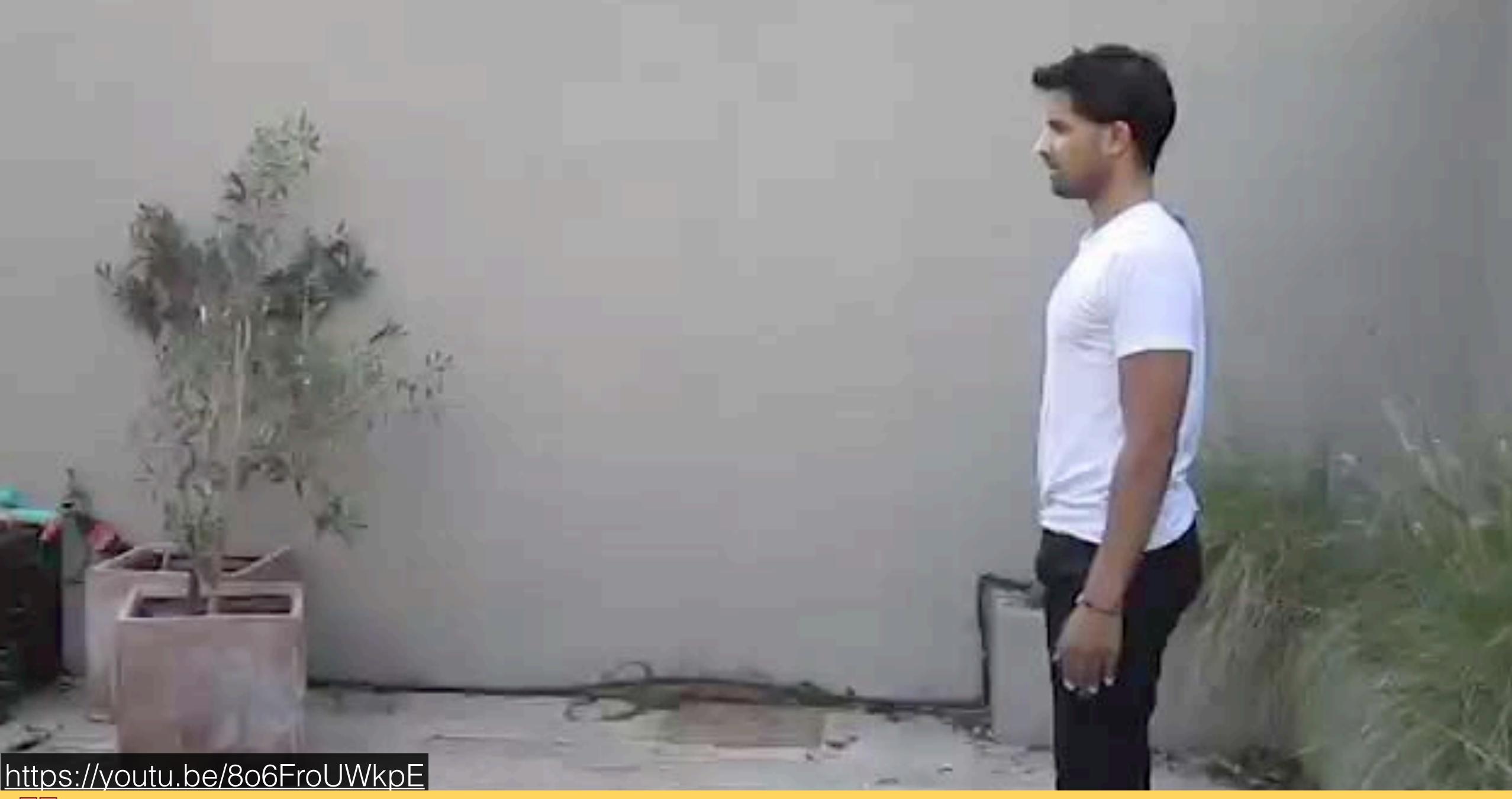


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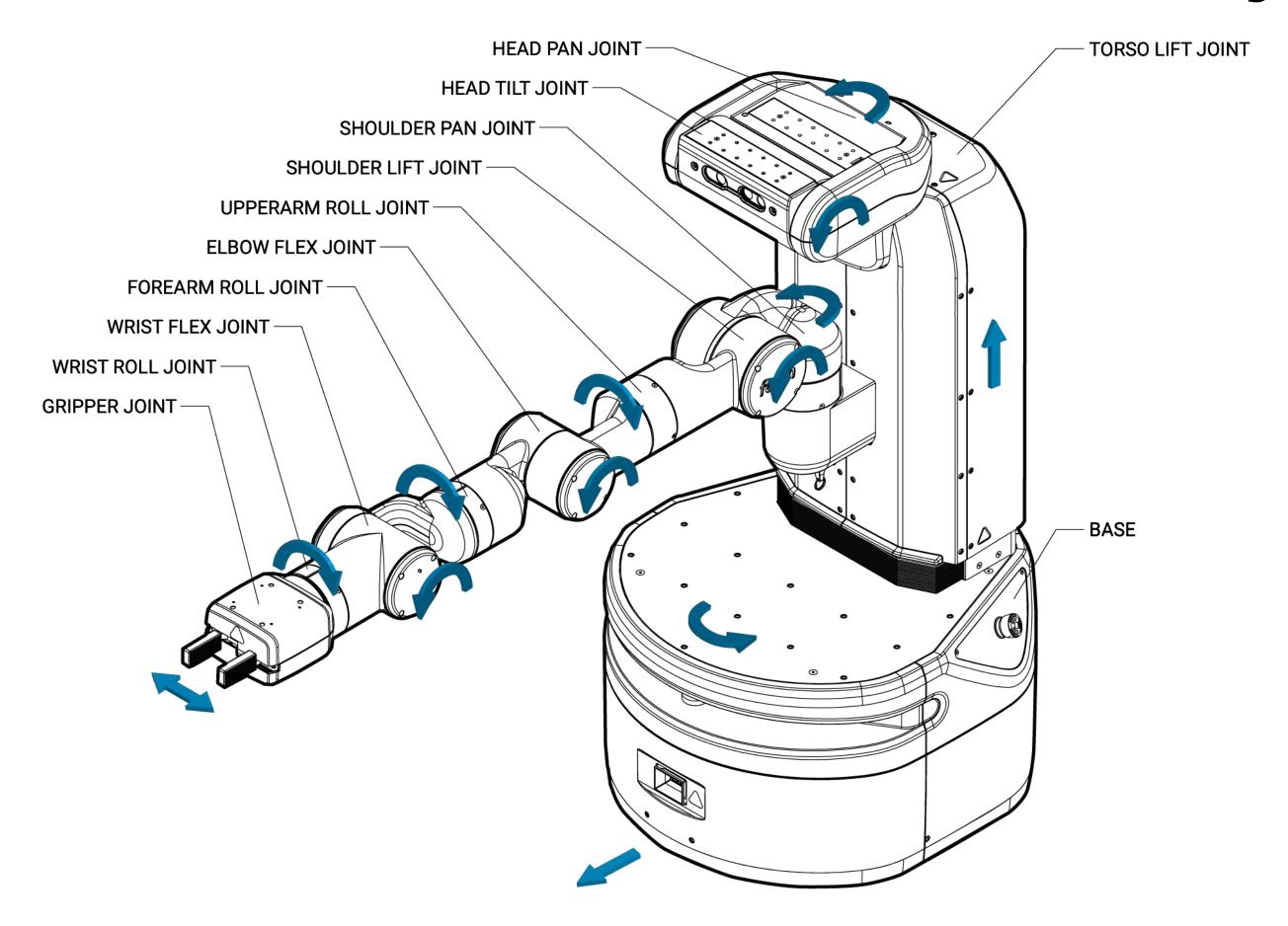




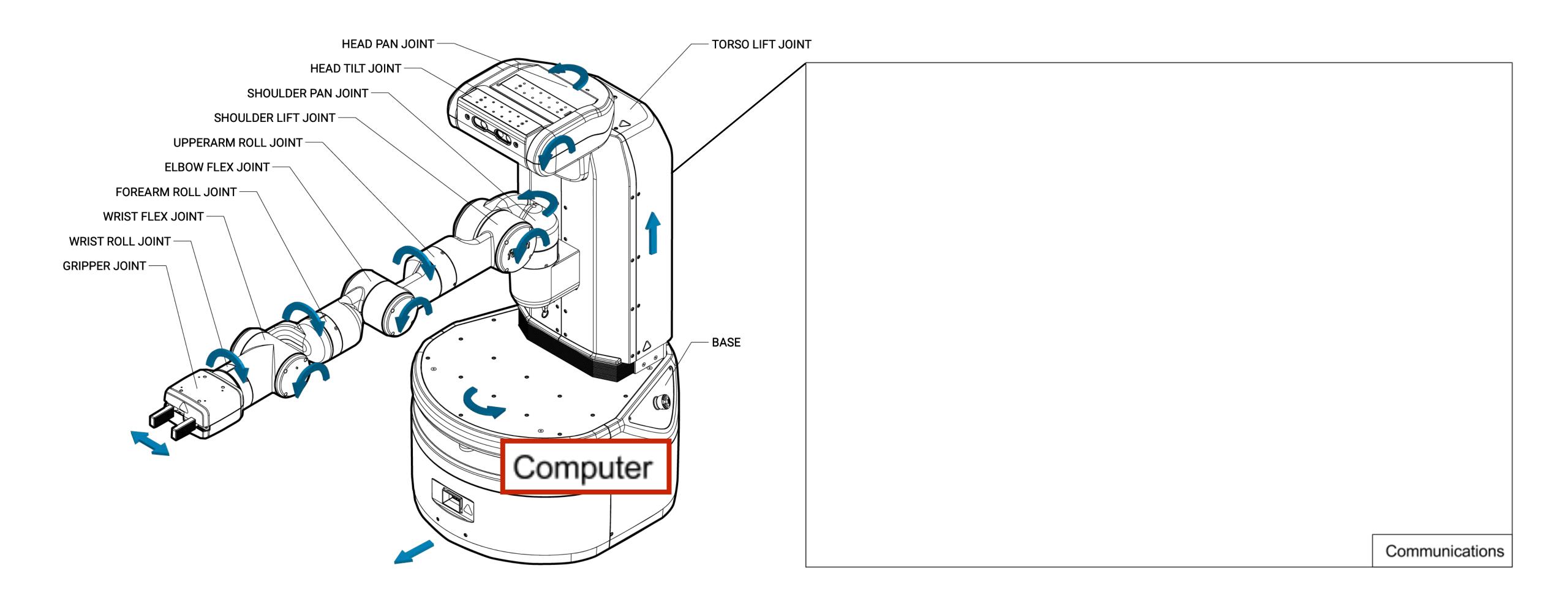
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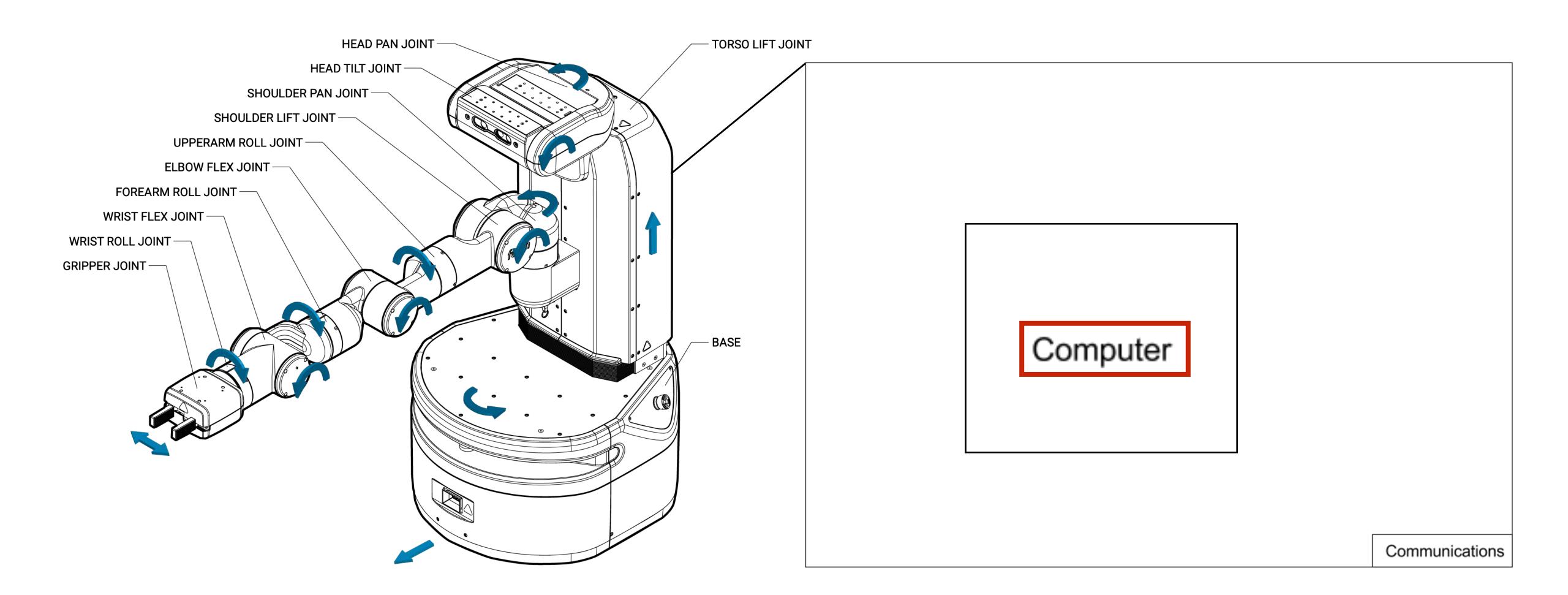
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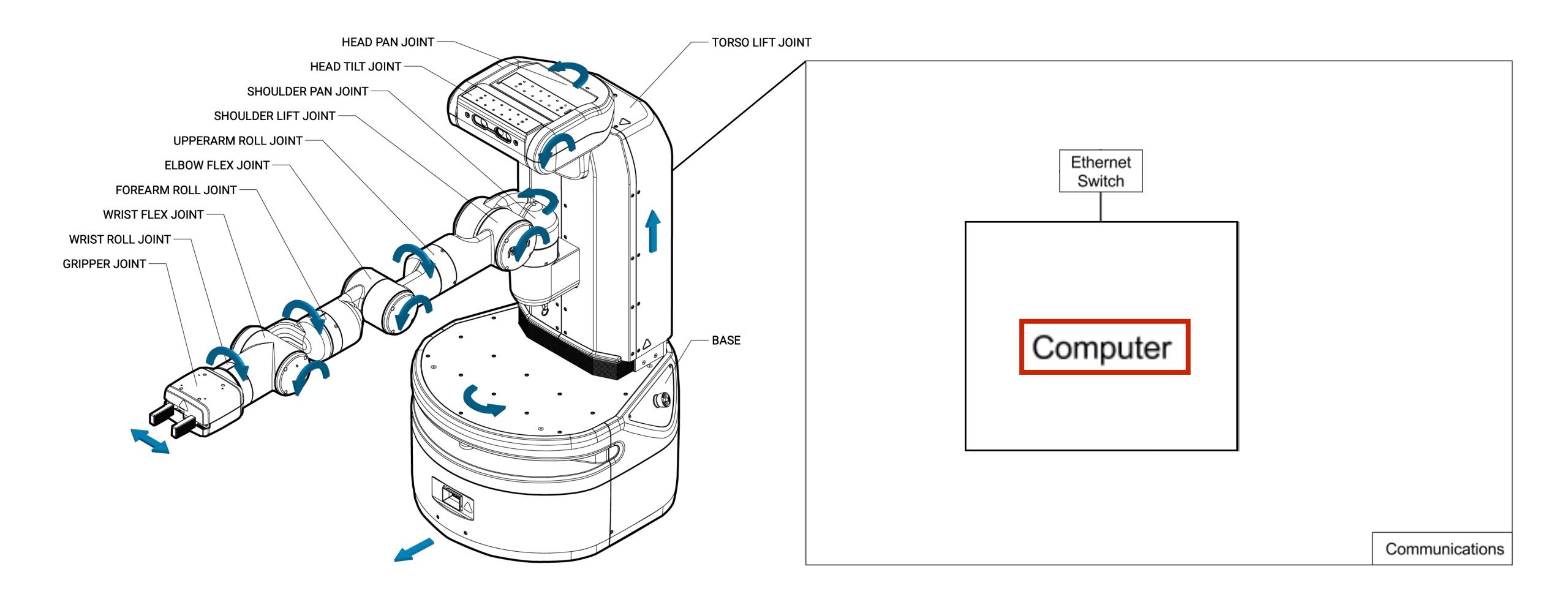




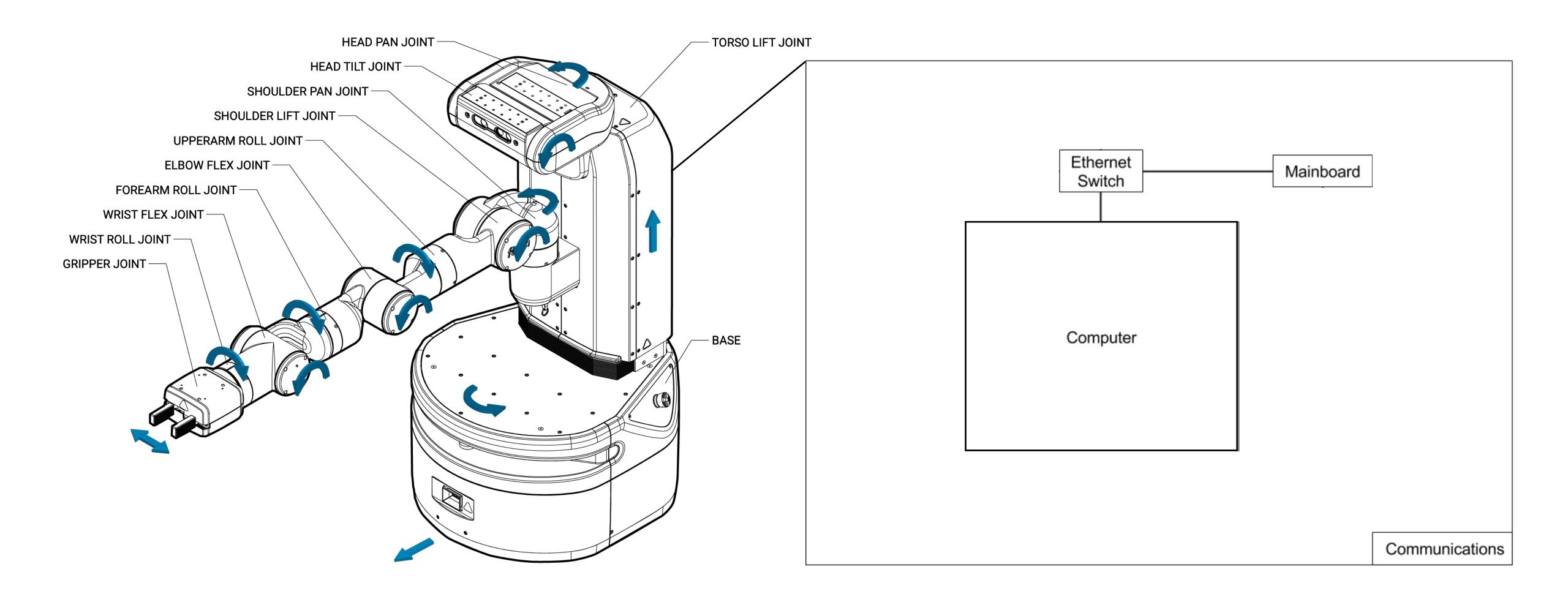




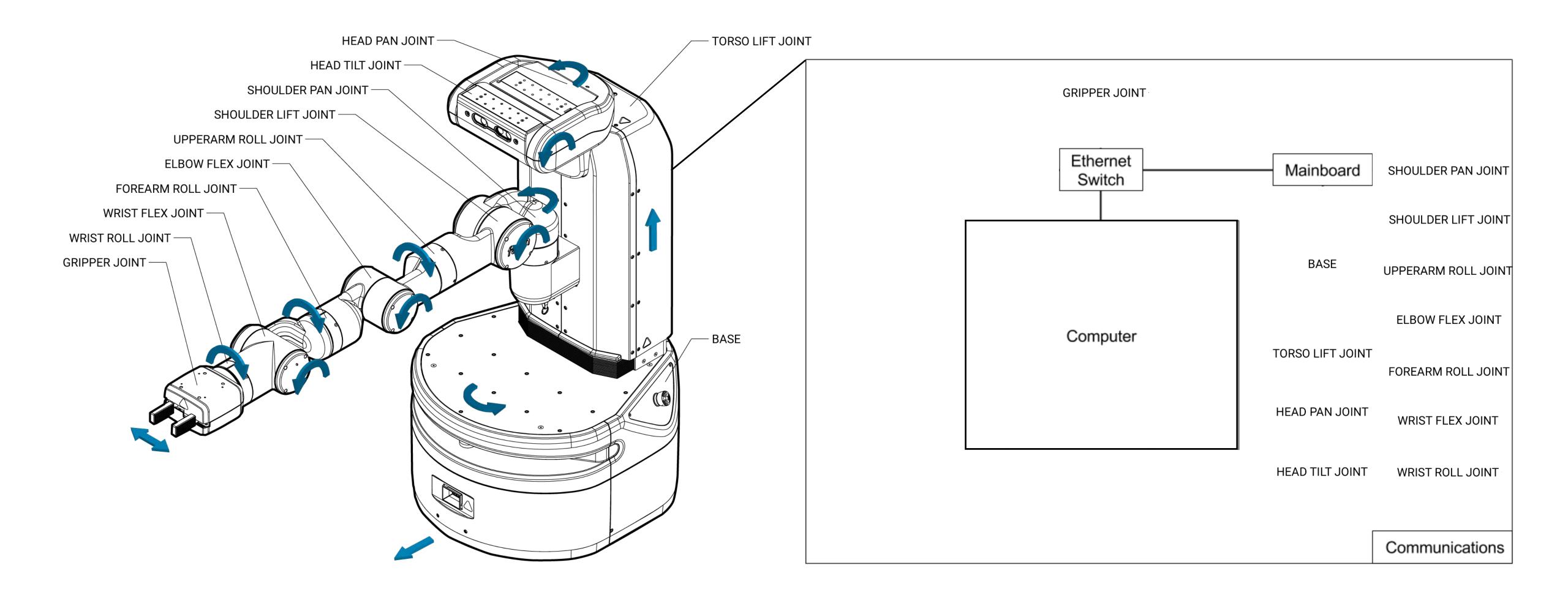






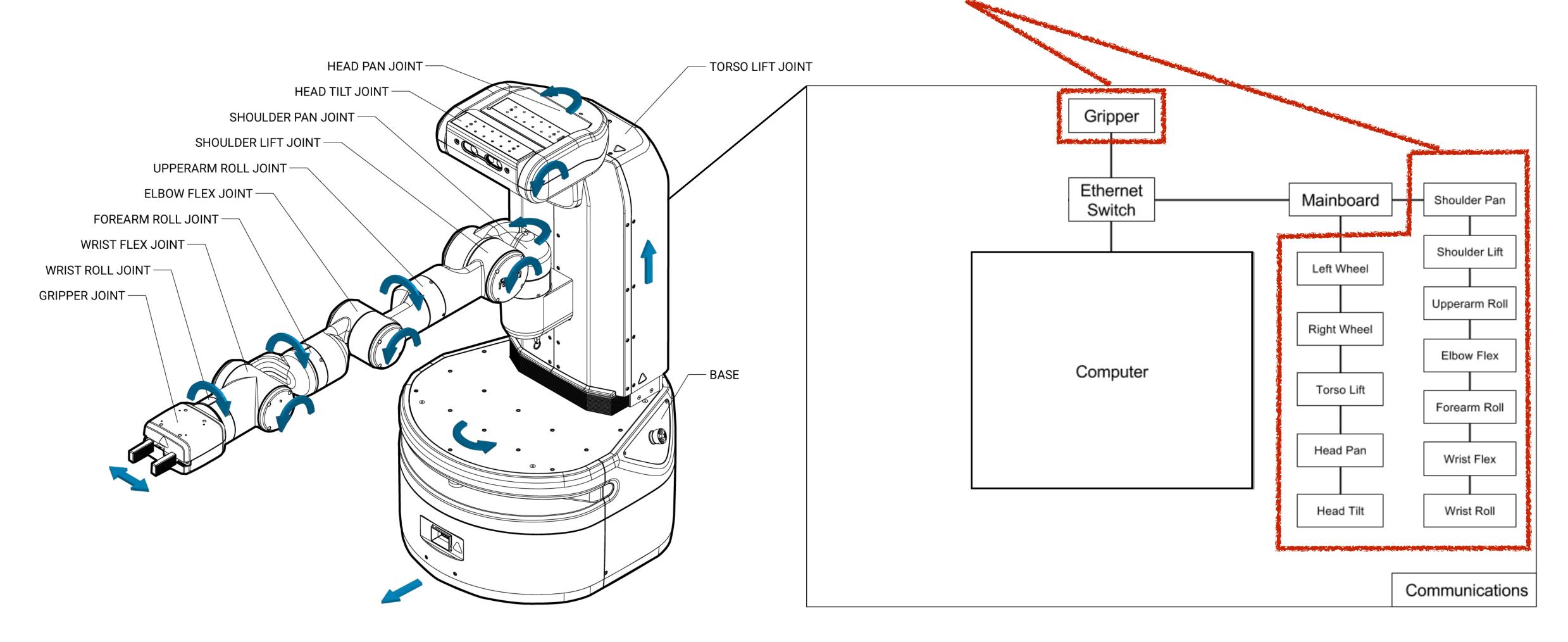




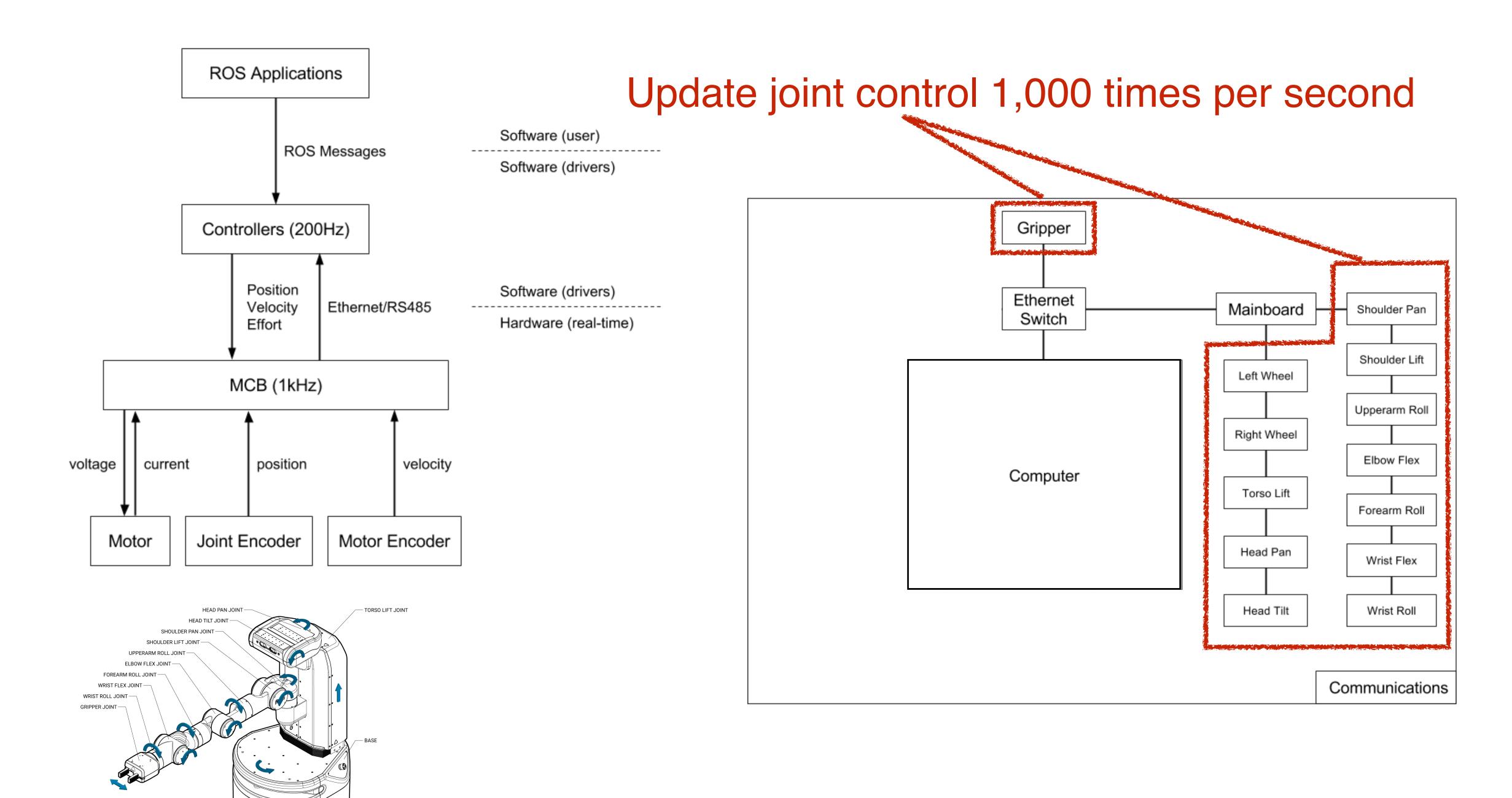




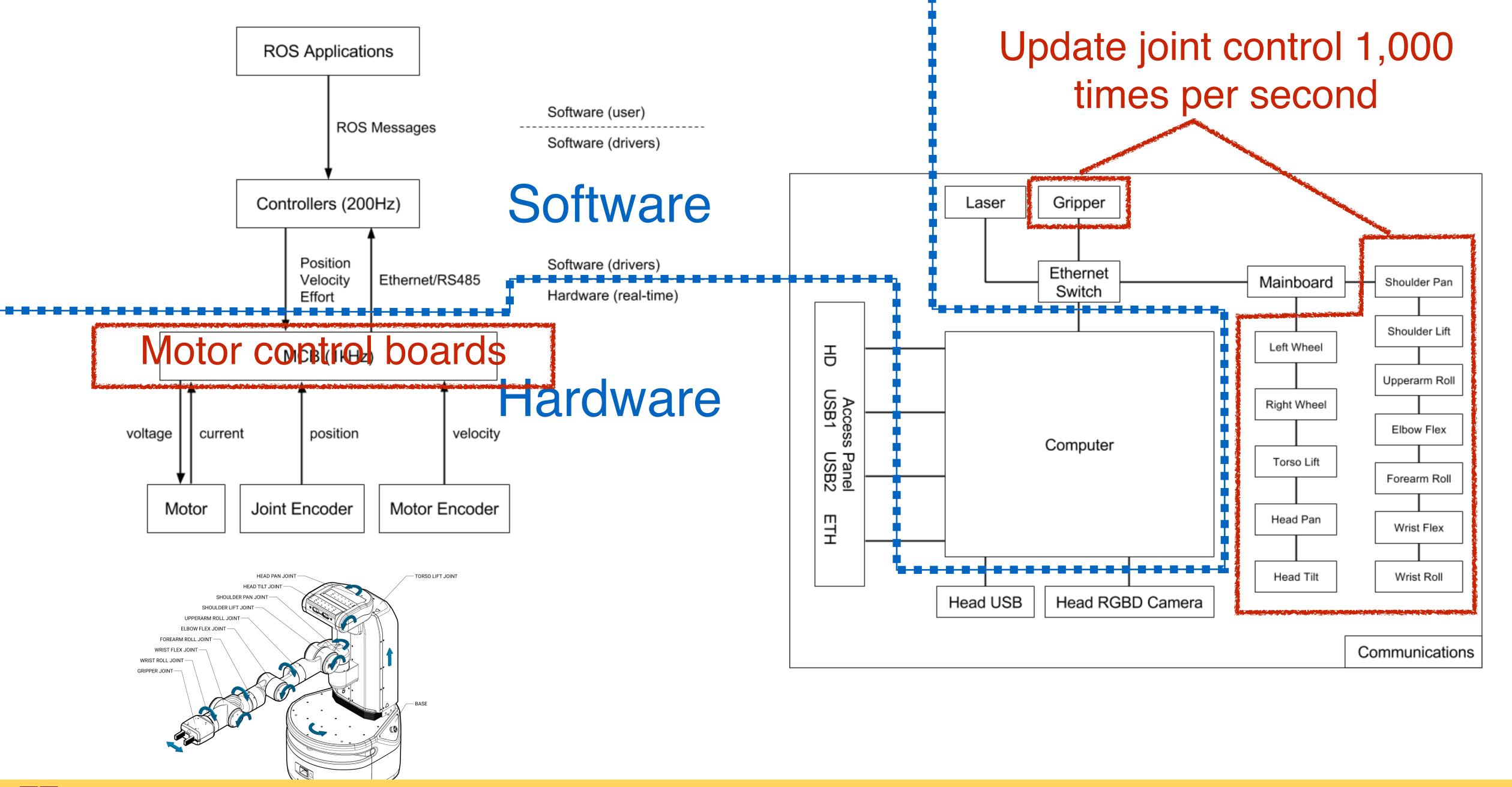
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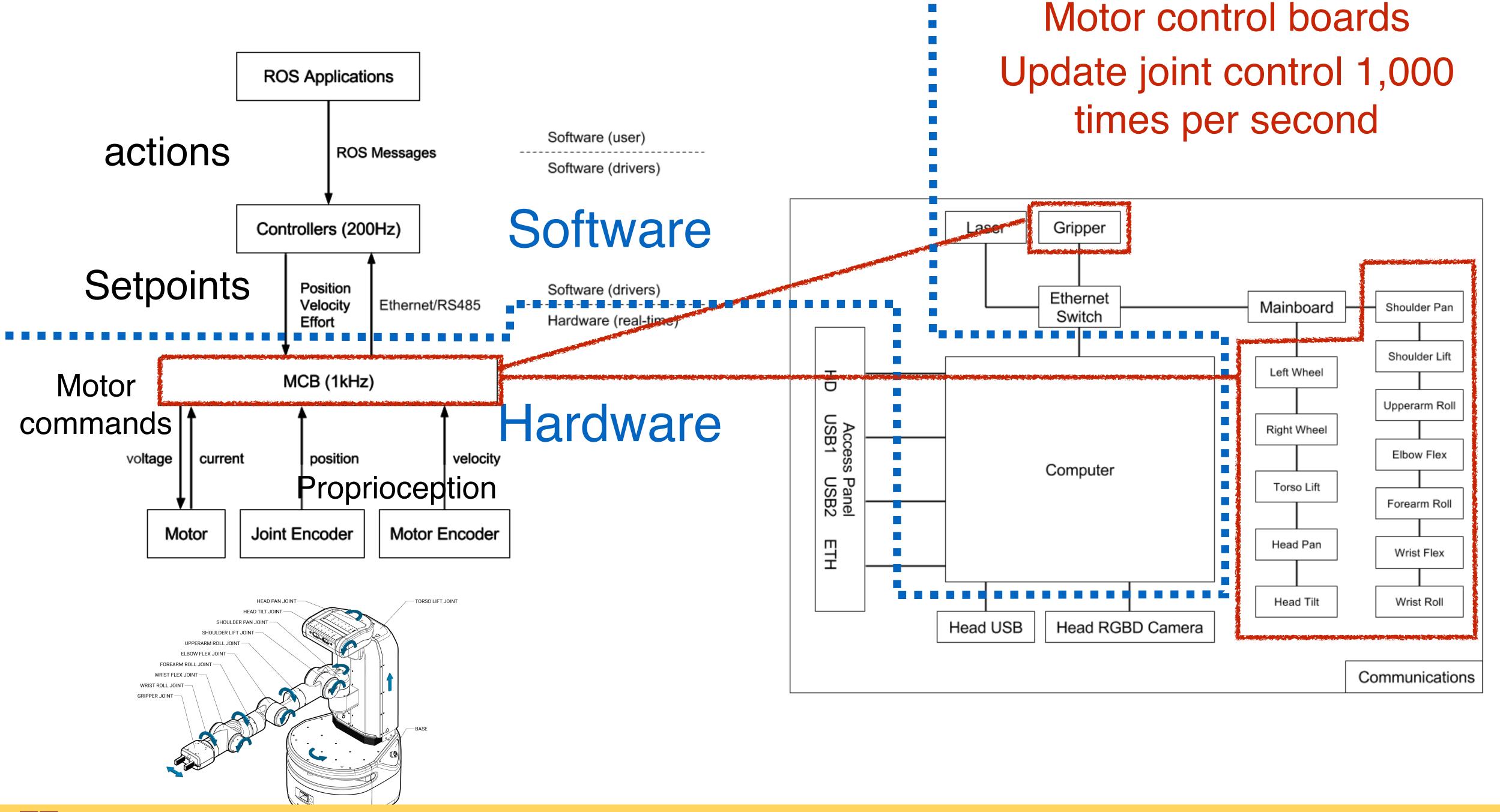








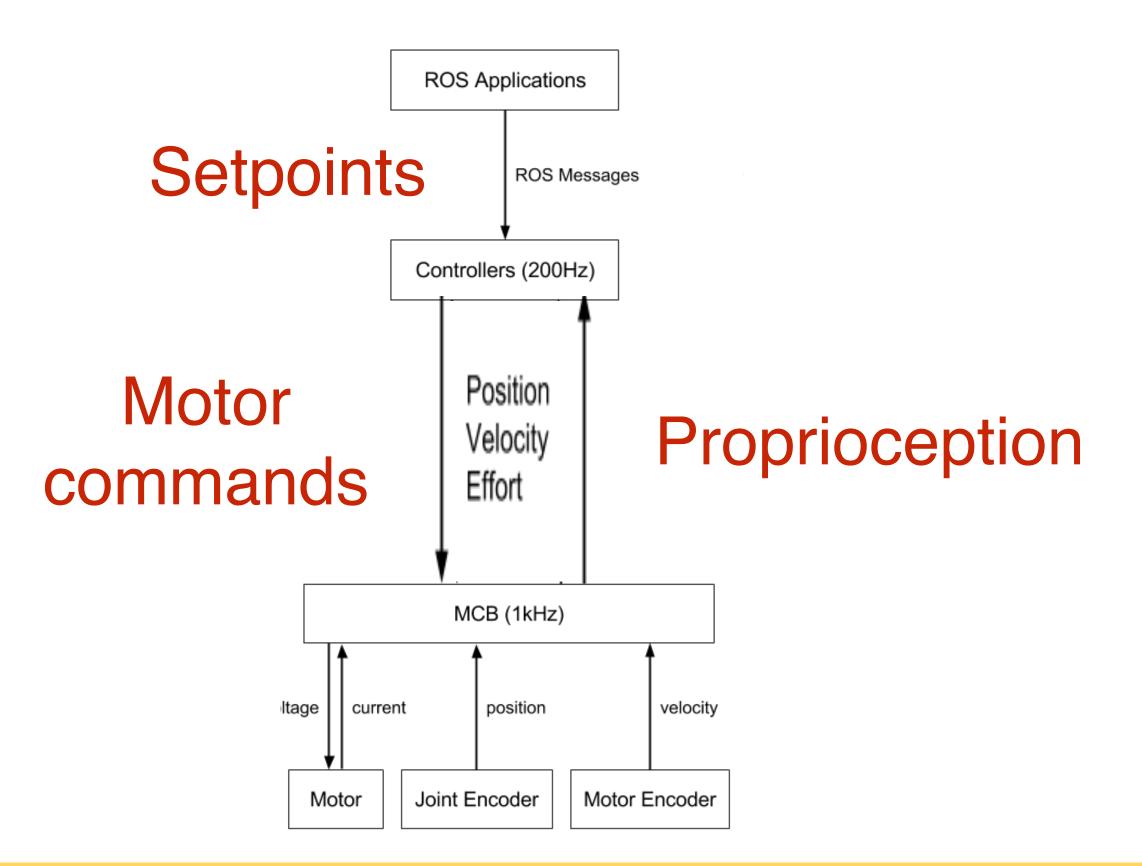






Motion control:

process to achieve and maintain a desired state (or setpoint) for a joint through applying motor commands based on current proprioceived state



Users

Robot Applications

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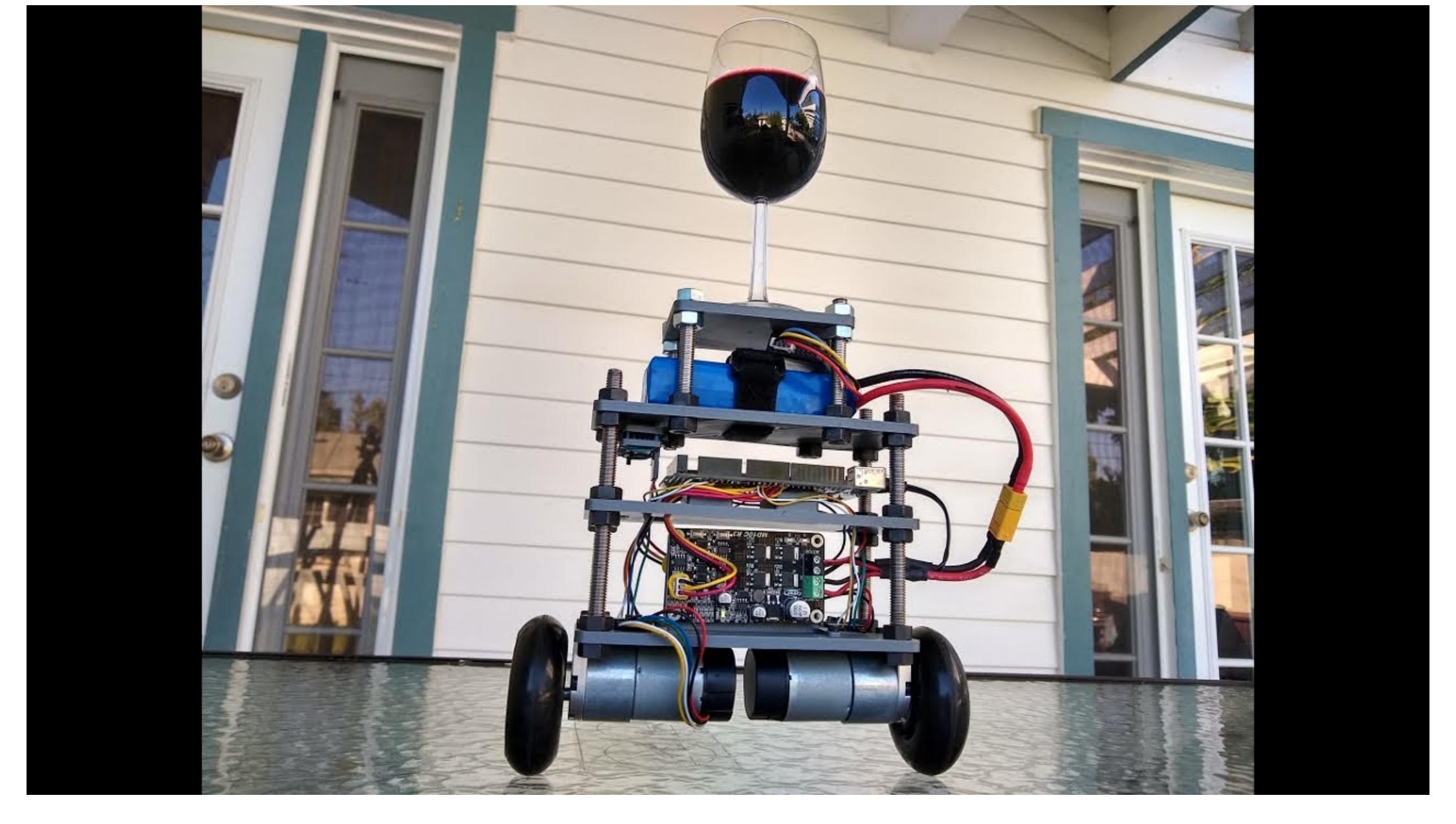






Building up to more...





Shay Sackett - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t7skvD6v2TI



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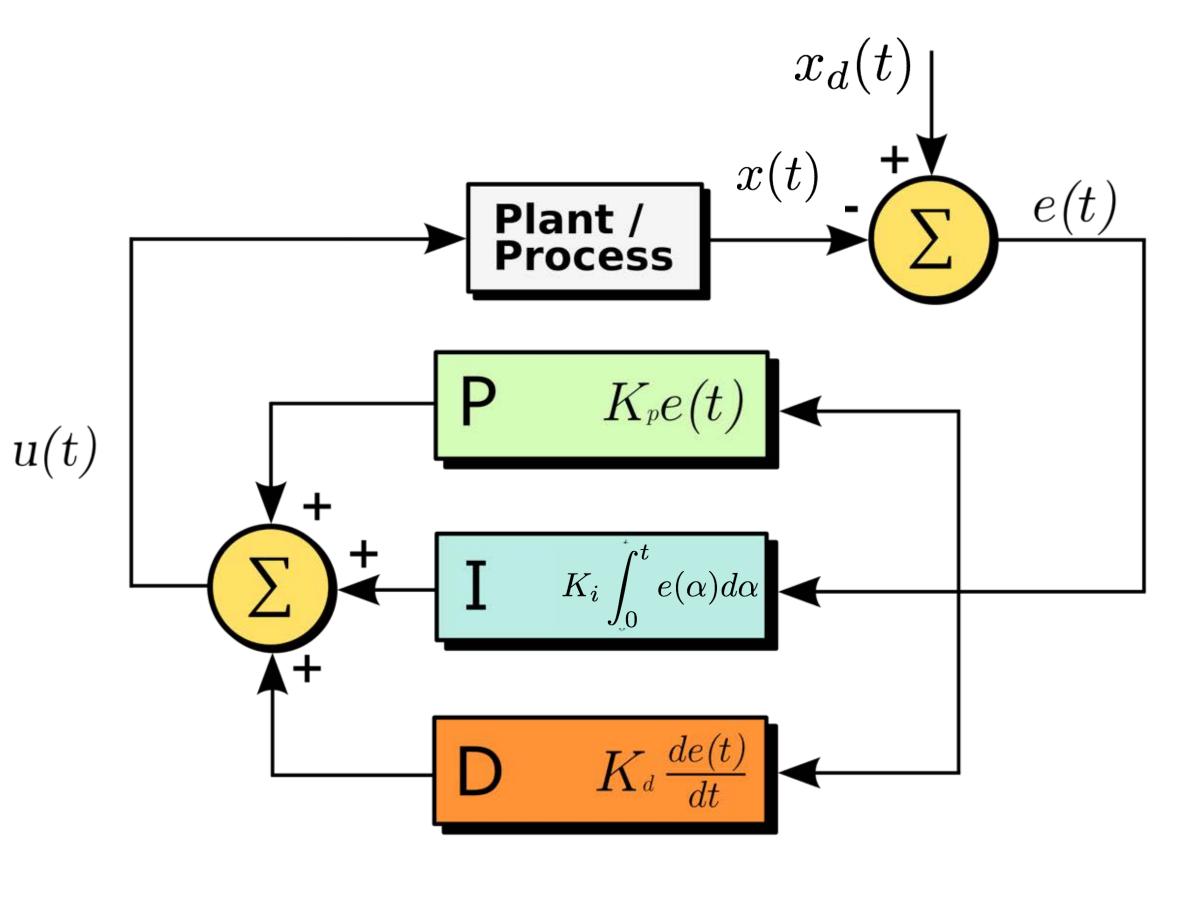


PID Control



PID Control

- Proportional-Integral-Derivative
 Control
- Sum of different responses to error
- Based on the mass spring and damper system
- Feedback correction based on the current error, past error, and predicted future error



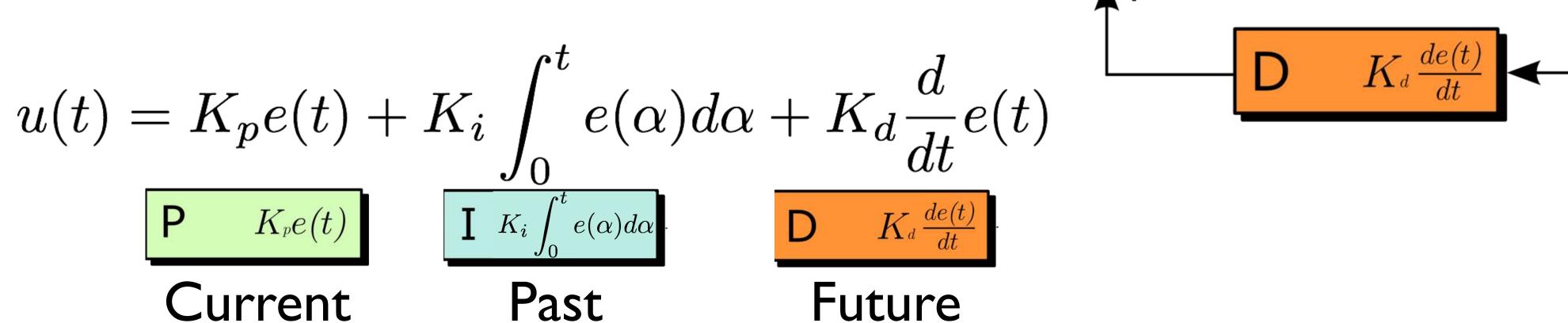
PID Control

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Error signal:

$$e(t) = x_{desired}(t) - x(t)$$

Control signal:





 $x_d(t)$

Plant / Process

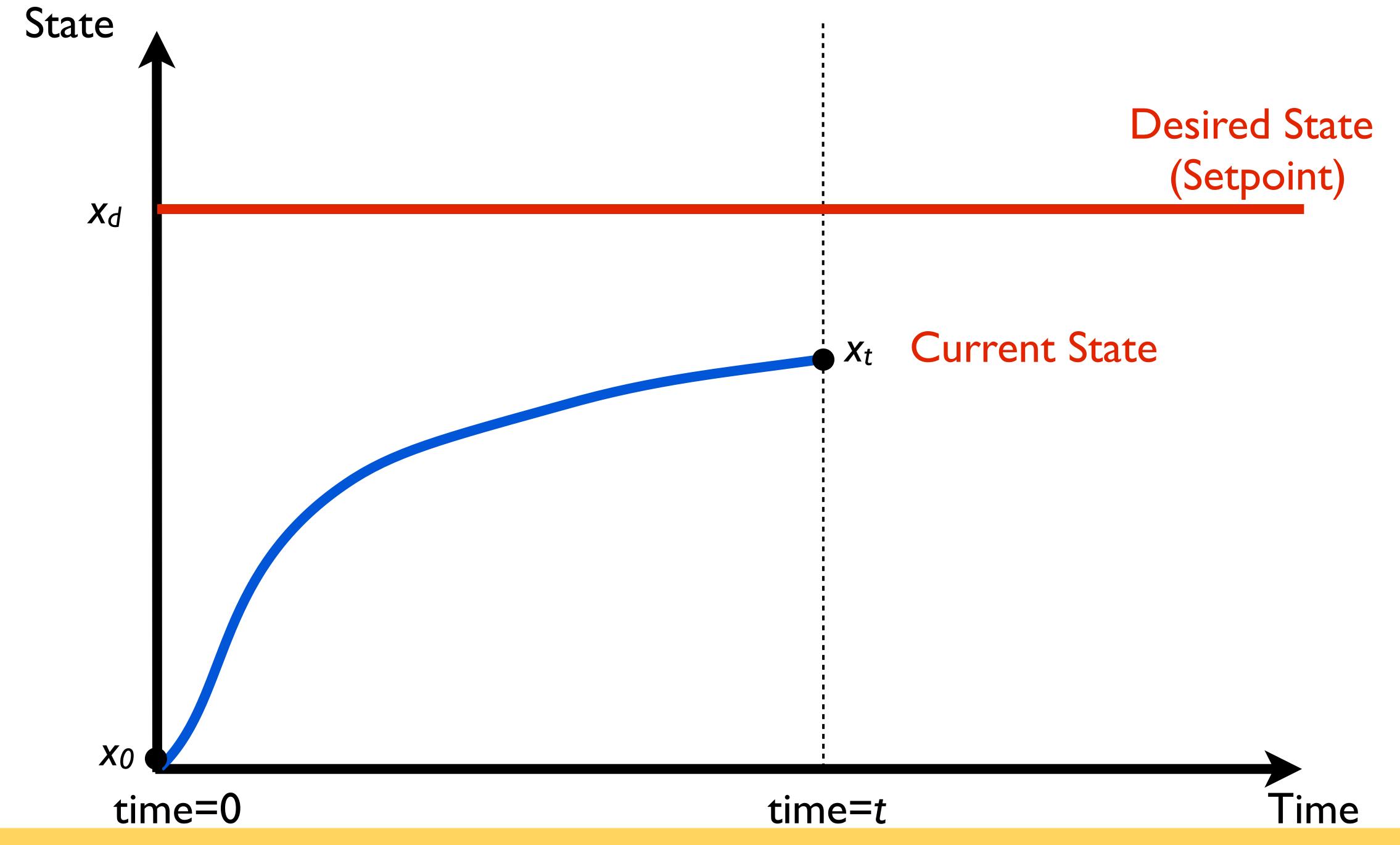
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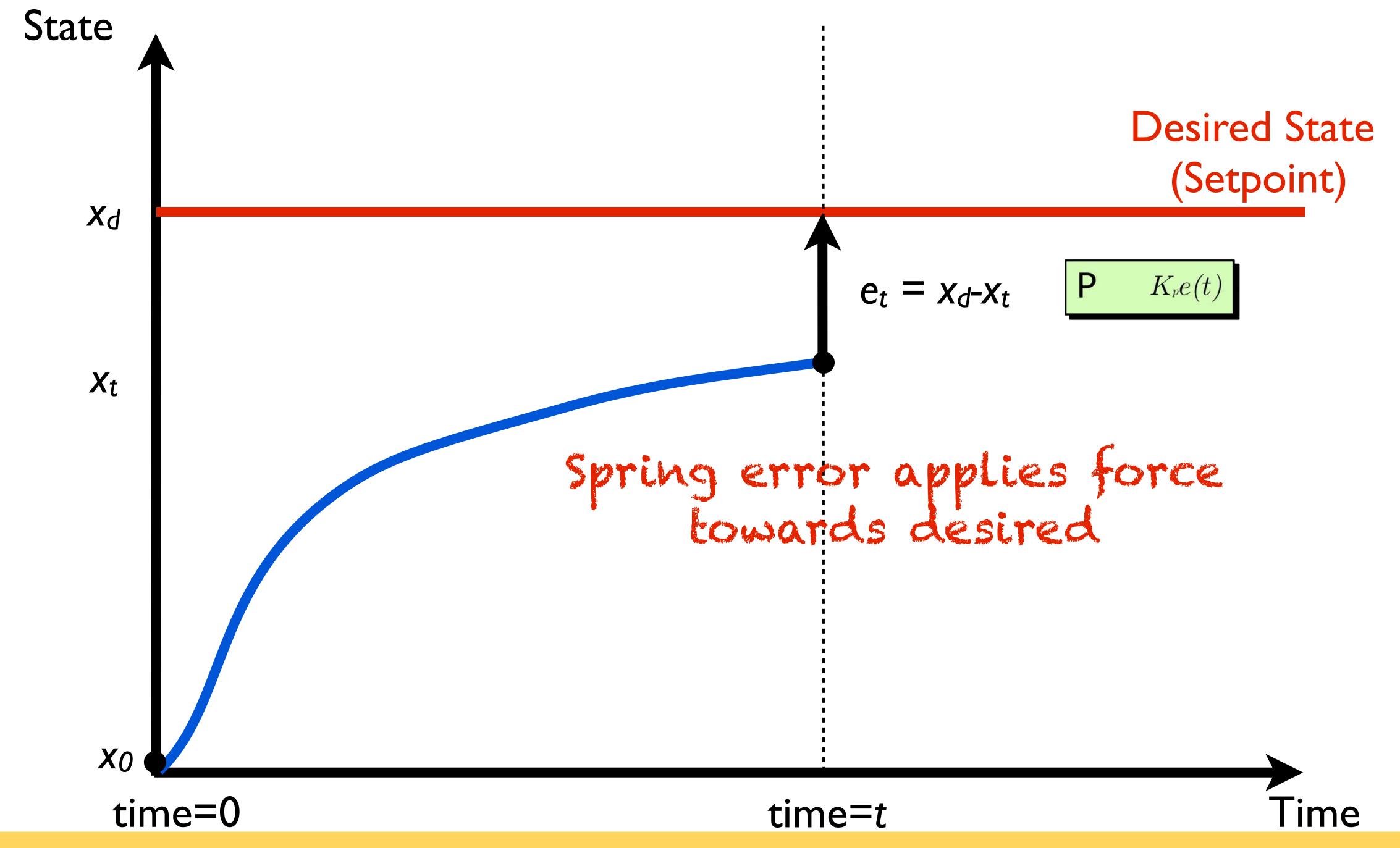
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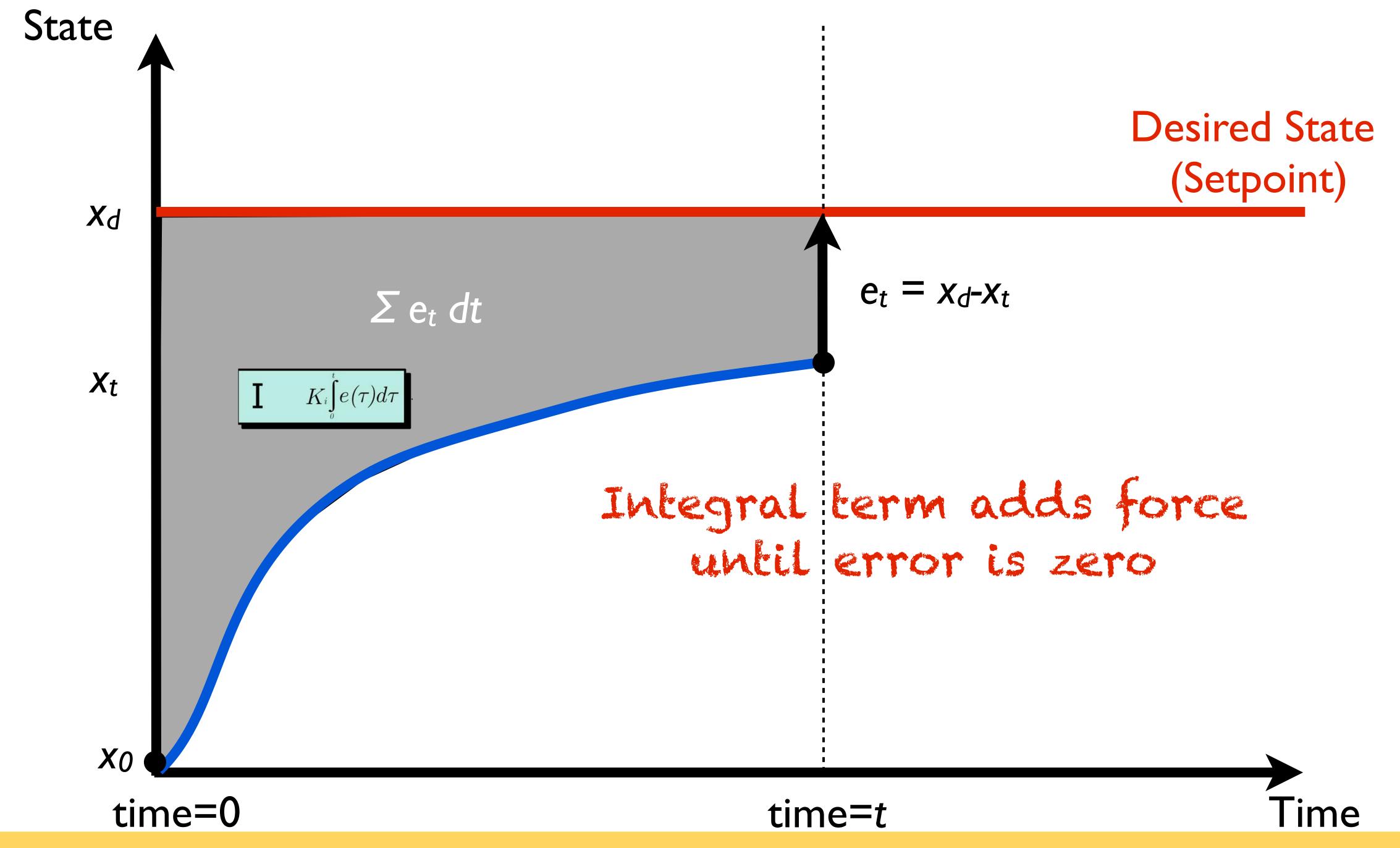
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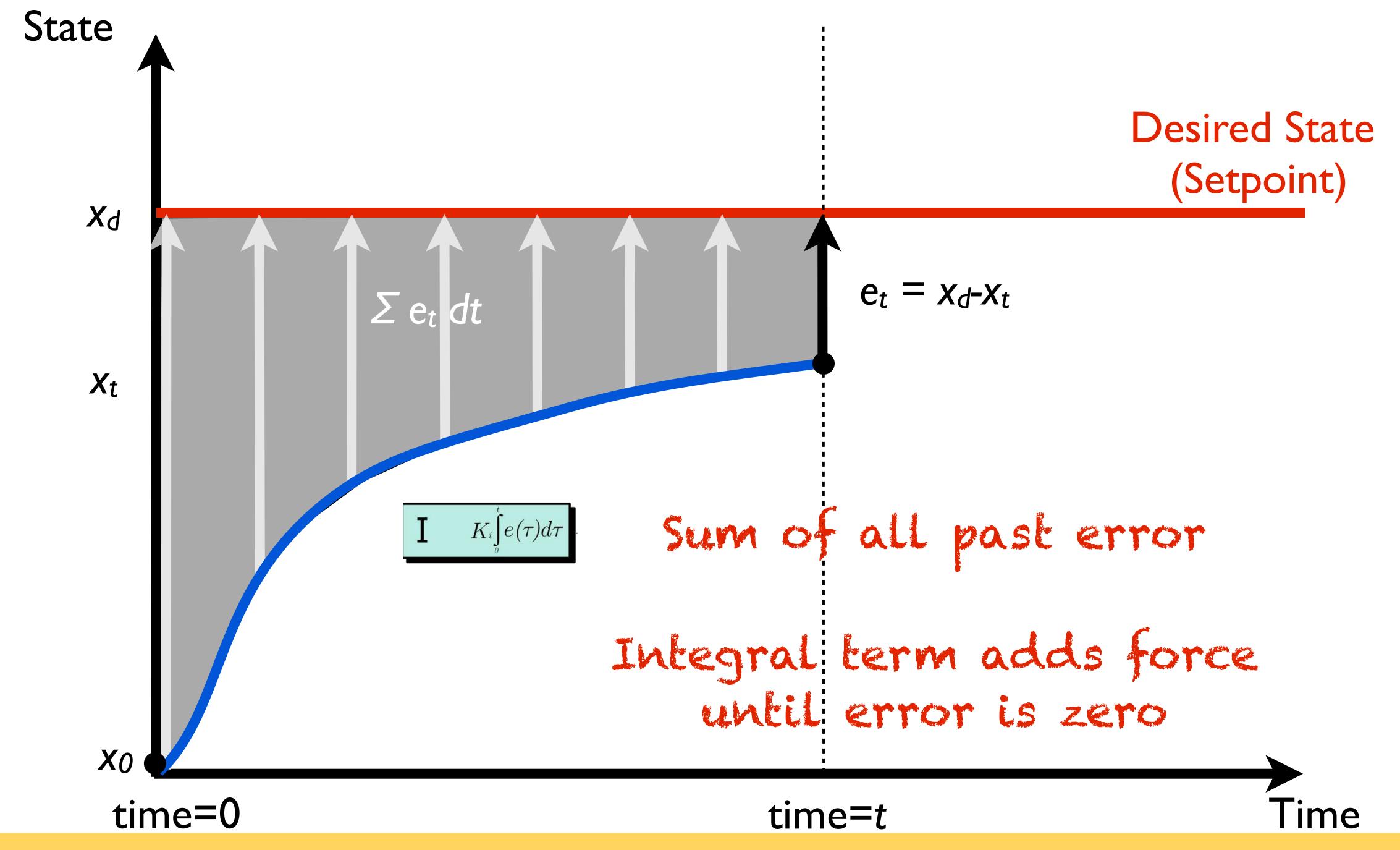




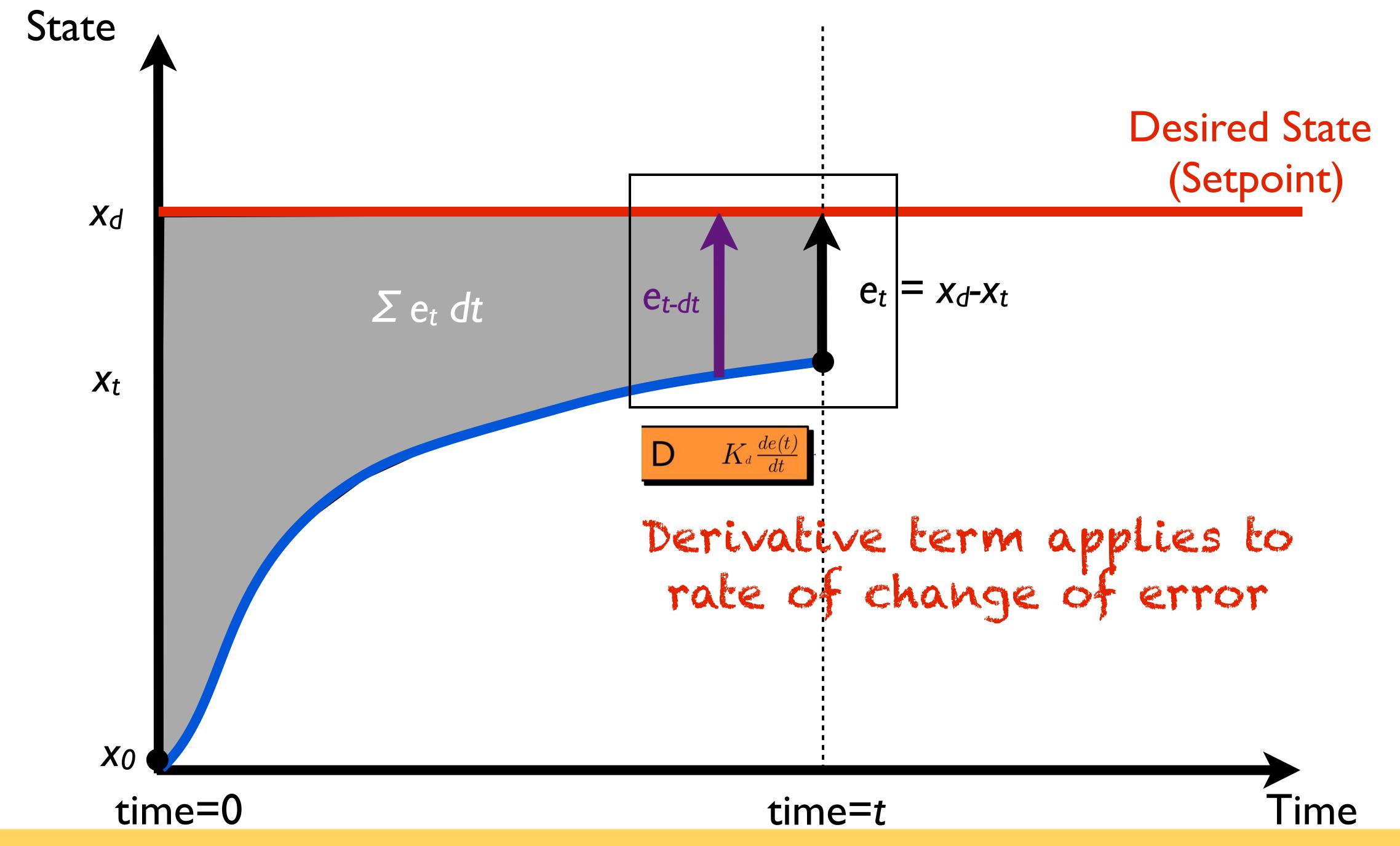




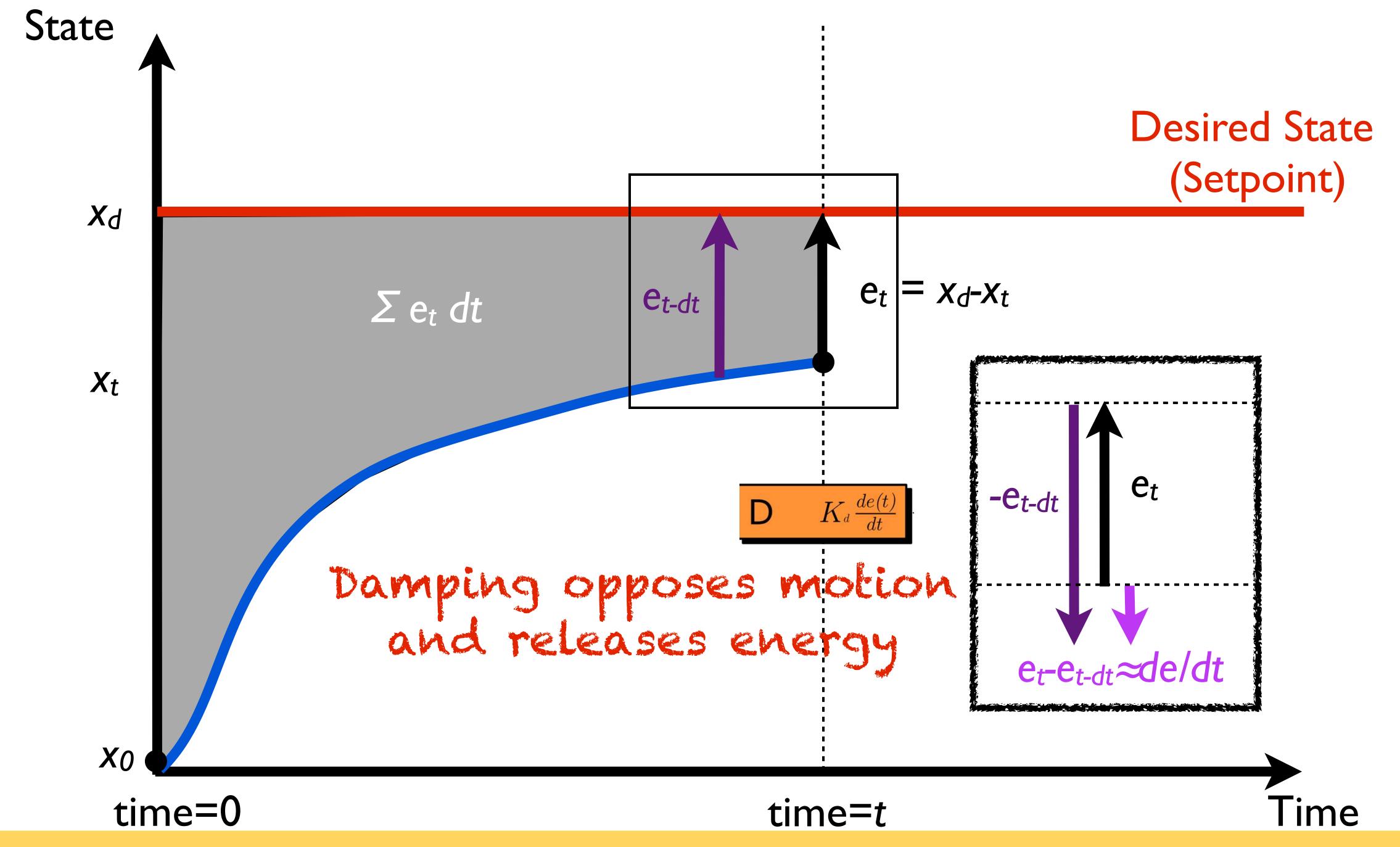


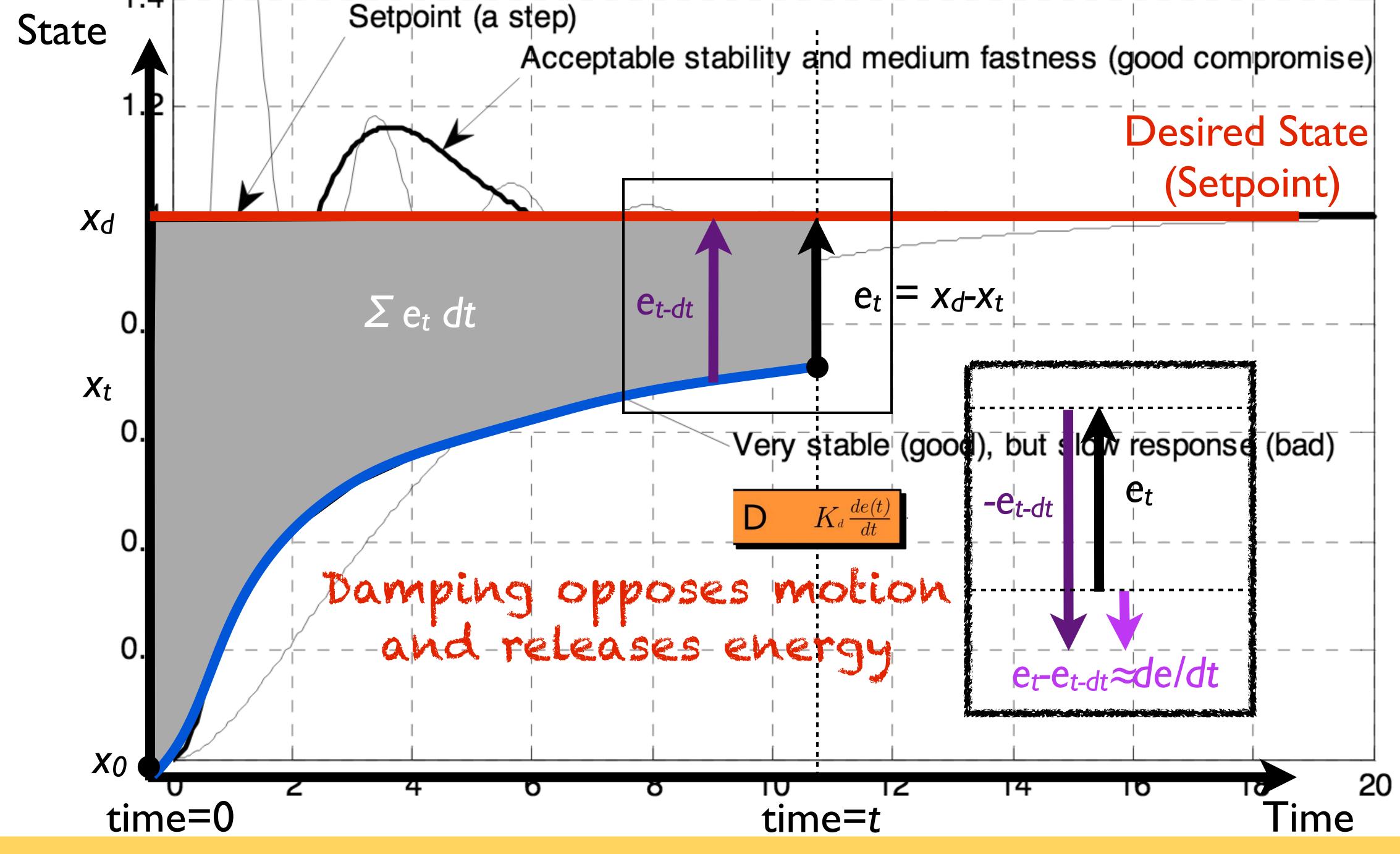














PID Converenge





PID as a spring and damper model



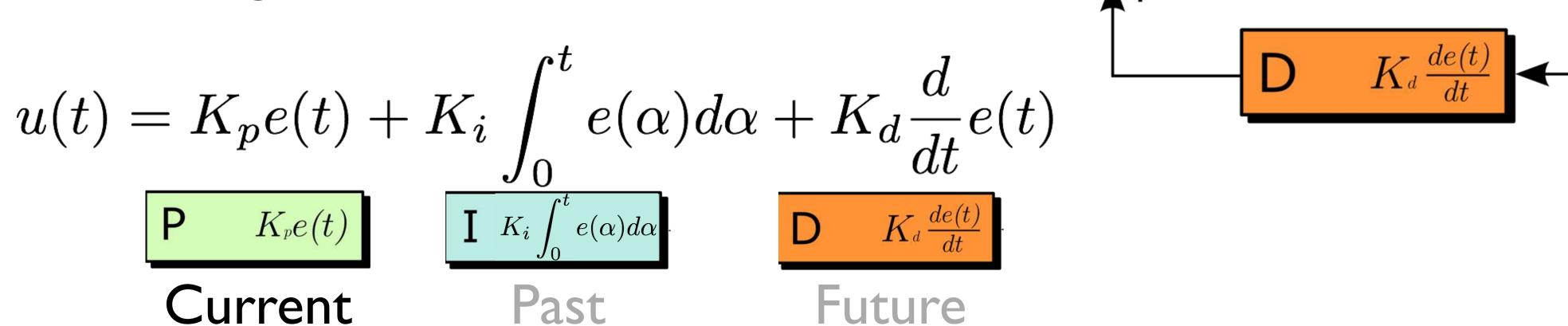
PID Control

u(t)

Error signal:

$$e(t) = x_{desired}(t) - x(t)$$

Control signal:





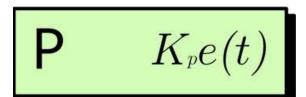
 $x_d(t)$

Plant / Process

 $K_p e(t)$

 $K_i \int_0^{\cdot} e(\alpha) d\alpha$

Hooke's Law

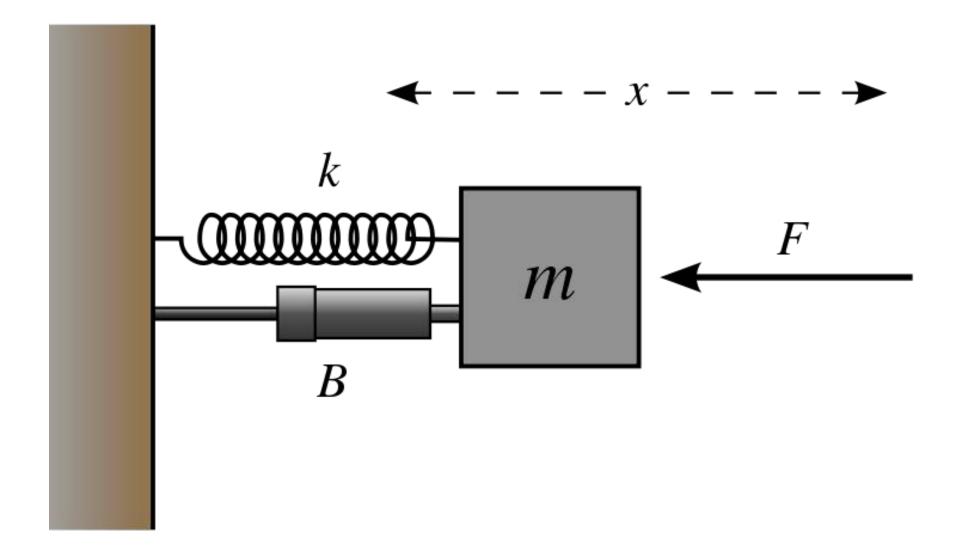


 Describes motion of mass spring damper system as

$$F = -kx$$



Robert Hooke (1635-1703)

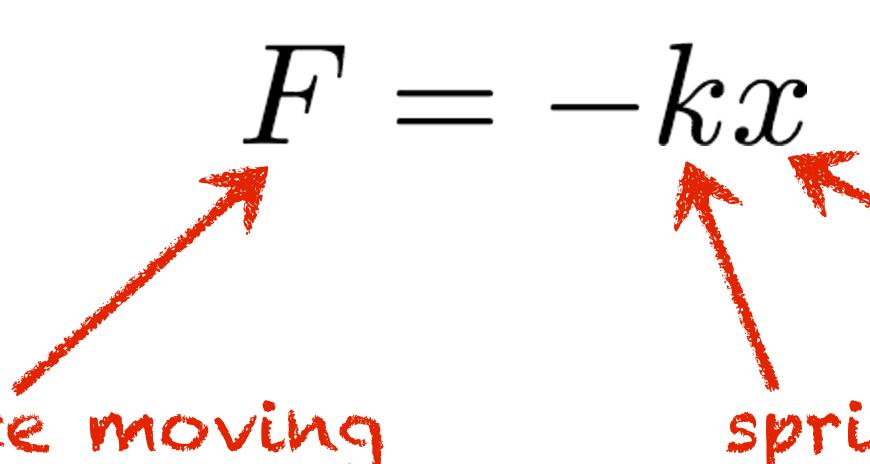


Hooke's Law

 ${\sf P} = K_{{\scriptscriptstyle p}} e(t)$

spring towards rest

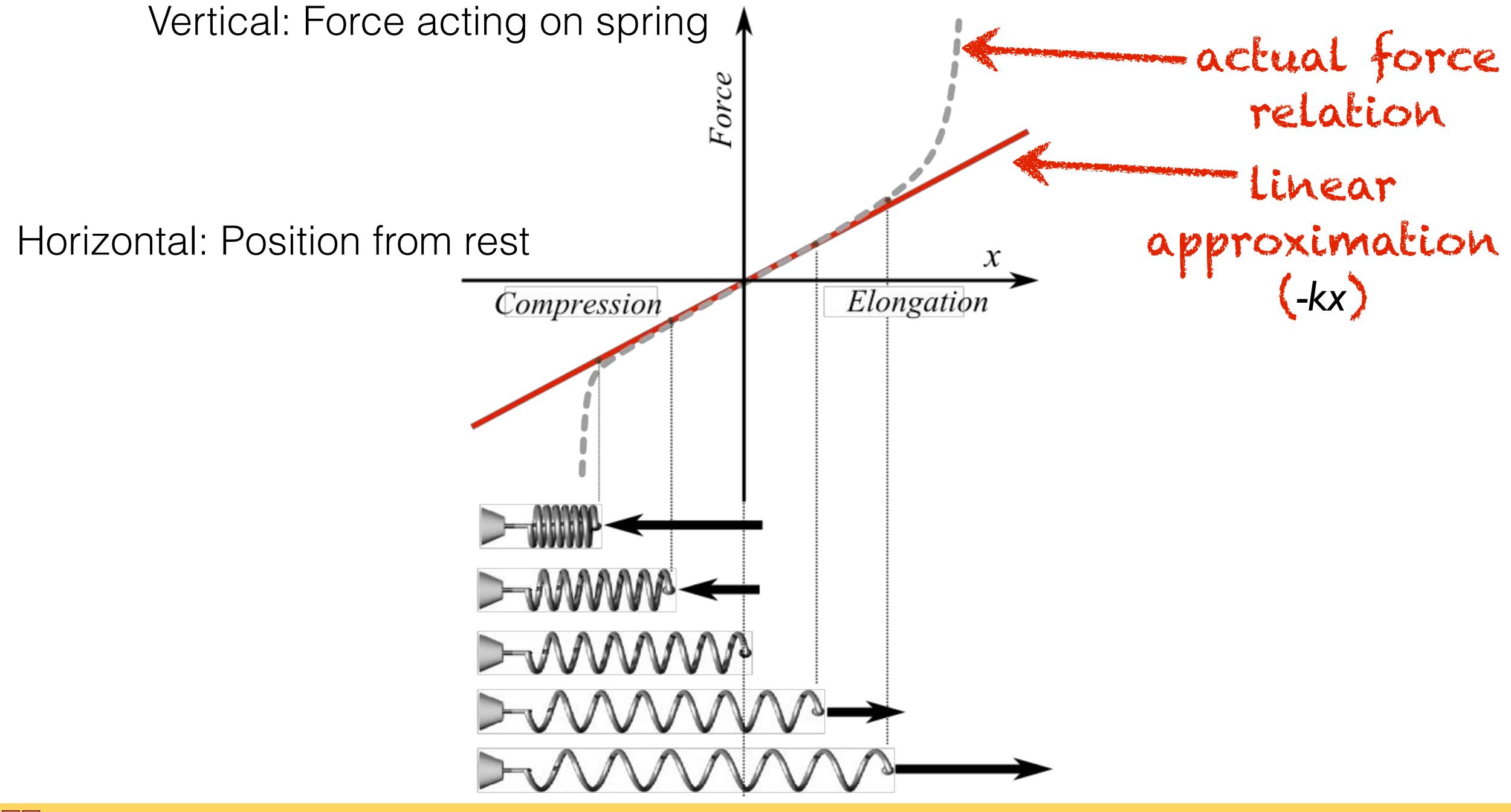
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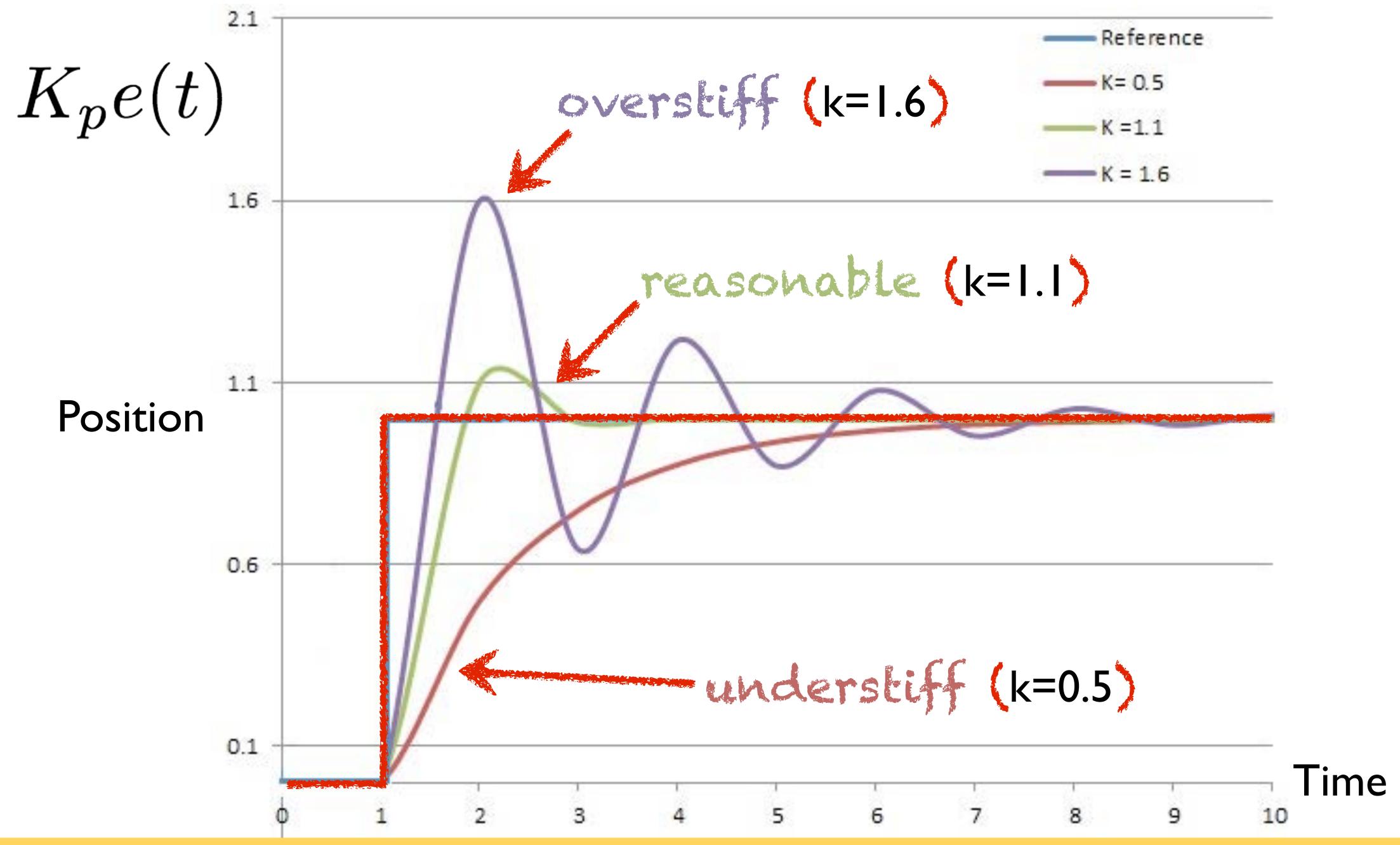


stiffness

R B F

distance from rest displacement







PID Control

Error signal:

$$e(t) = x_{desired}(t) - x(t)$$

Control signal:

Current

$$u(t) = K_p e(t) + K_i \int_0^t e(\alpha) d\alpha + K_d \frac{d}{dt} e(t)$$

$$P \quad K_r e(t) \quad I \quad K_i \int_0^t e(\alpha) d\alpha \quad D \quad K_d \frac{de(t)}{dt}$$

$$Current \quad Past \quad Future$$

Past



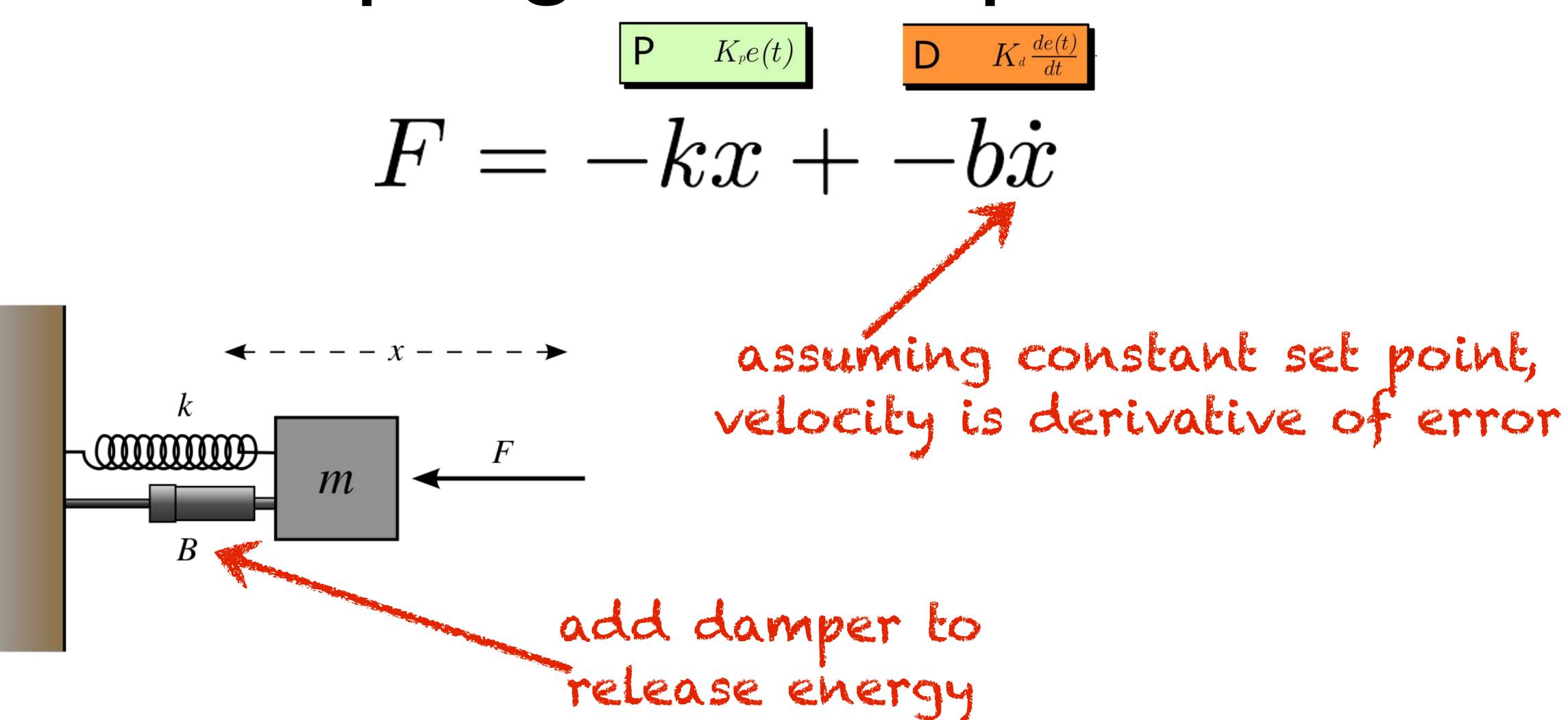
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Plant / Process

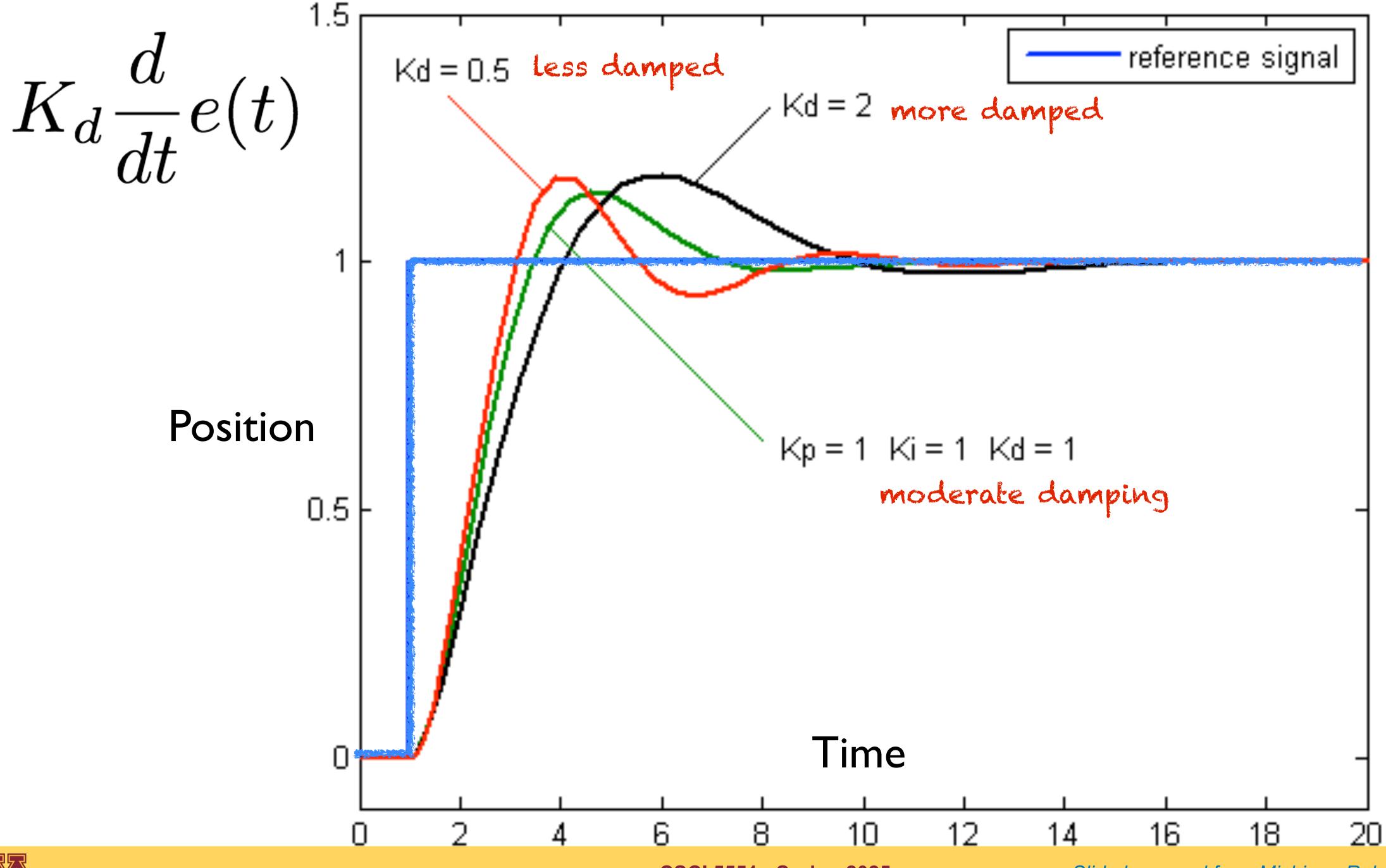
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Spring and Damper









PID Control

Error signal:

$$e(t) = x_{desired}(t) - x(t)$$

Control signal:

$$u(t) = K_p e(t) + K_i \int_0^t e(\alpha) d\alpha + K_d \frac{d}{dt} e(t)$$

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Current Past Future



 $x_d(t)$

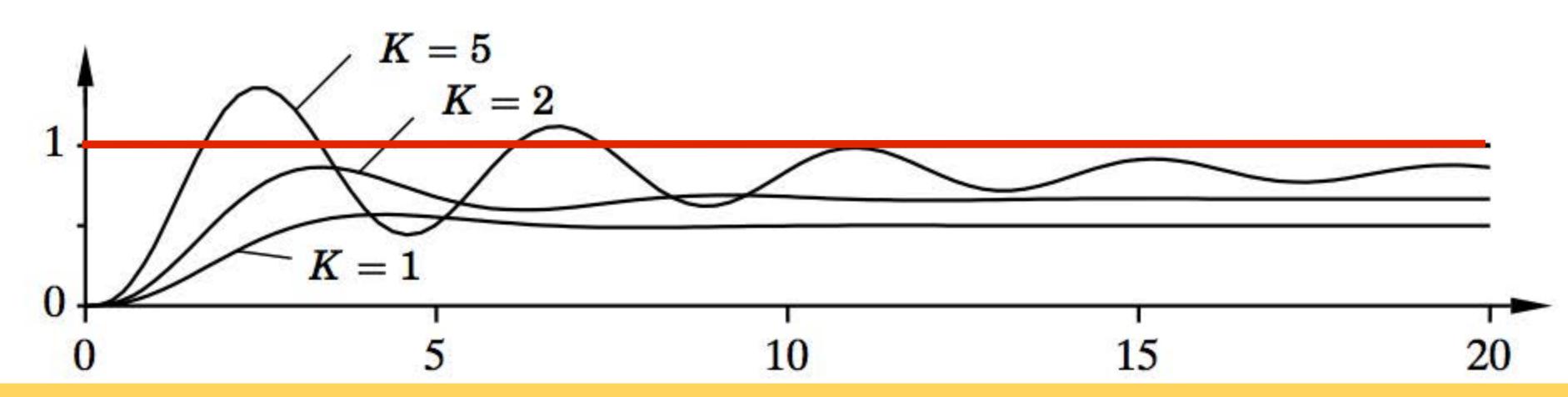
Plant / Process

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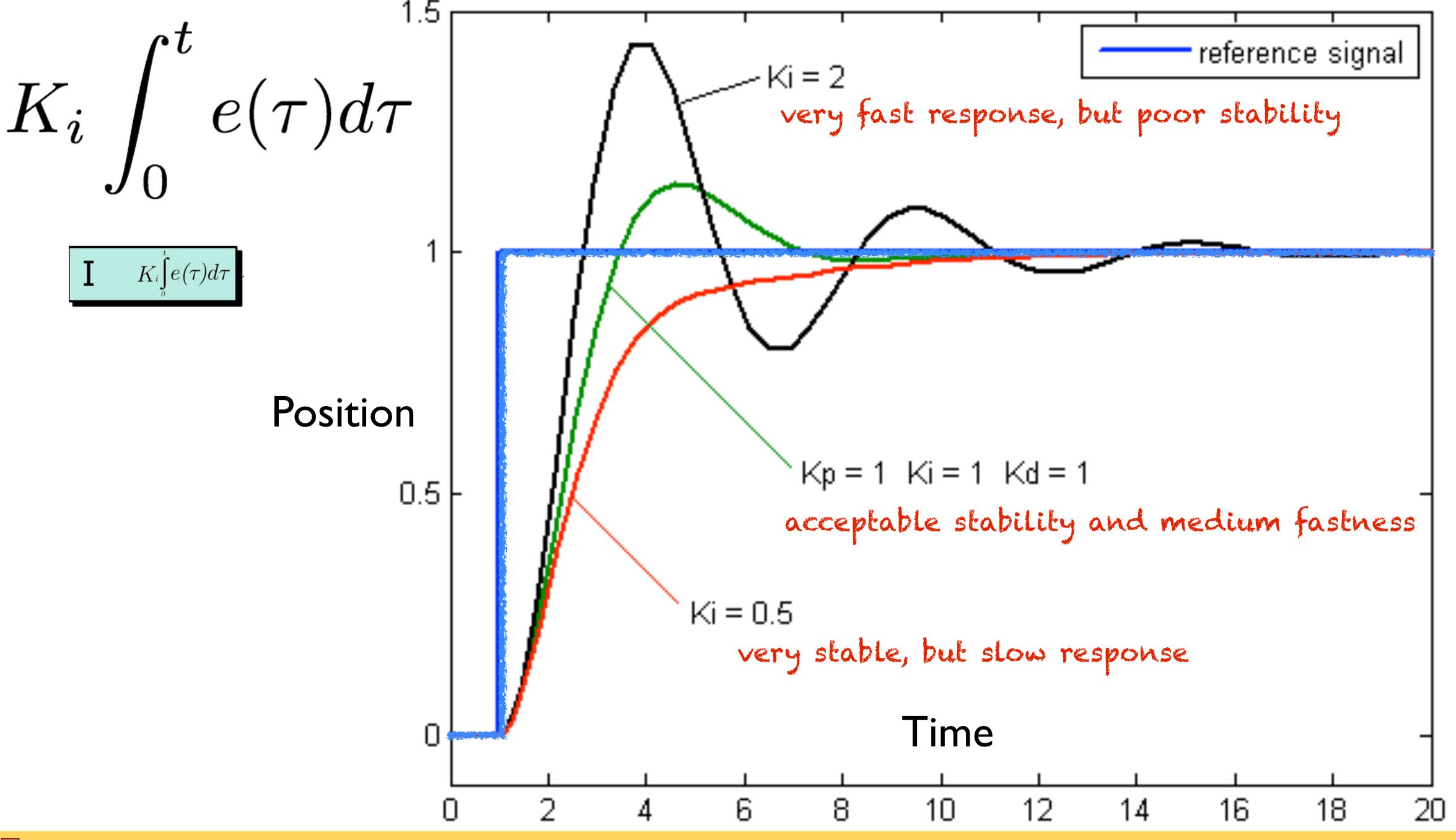
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Steady state error

- Steady state error occurs when the system rests at equilibrium before reaching desired state
- Cause could be an significant external force, weak motor, low proportional gain, etc.
- PID integral term compensates by accumulating and acting against error toward convergence







Gain tuning

- Implementing PID algorithm will not necessarily produce a good controller
- Selection of the gains will greatly affect the performance of the controller
- PID gain tuning is more of an art than a science. Choose carefully.

$$u(t) = K_p e(t) + K_i \int_0^t e(\alpha) d\alpha + K_d \frac{d}{dt} e(t)$$

$$P \quad K_p e(t) \qquad I \quad K_i \int_0^t e(\alpha) d\alpha \qquad D \quad K_d \frac{de(t)}{dt}$$



Some tips to PID tuning

(take it or leave it)

- Start all gains at zero : $K_i = K_d = K_p = 0$
- Increase spring gain K_p until system roughly meets desired state
 - overshooting and oscillation about the desired state can be expected
- Increase damping gain K_d until the system is consistently stable
 - damping stabilizes motion, but system will have steady state error
- Increase integral gain K_i until the system consistently reaches desired
- Refine gains as needed to improve performance; Test from different states





Atlas Gets a Grip | Boston Dynamics - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-e1_QhJ1EhQ



For inspiration on final projects

Look at projects done in the previous iteration of this class.

- Fall 23: https://rpm-lab.github.io/CSCI5551-Fall23-S2/final_presentations/
- Spring 24: https://rpm-lab.github.io/CSCI5551-Spr24/final_presentations/



Next Lecture Mobile Robotics - I

