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# Cyber-Physical Systems

## Discrete Dynamics

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- **Discrete** = “individually separate / distinct”
- A **discrete system** is one that operates in a sequence of discrete *steps* or has signals taking discrete *values*.
- It is said to have **discrete dynamics**.
  
- A discrete event occurs at an instant of time rather than over time.

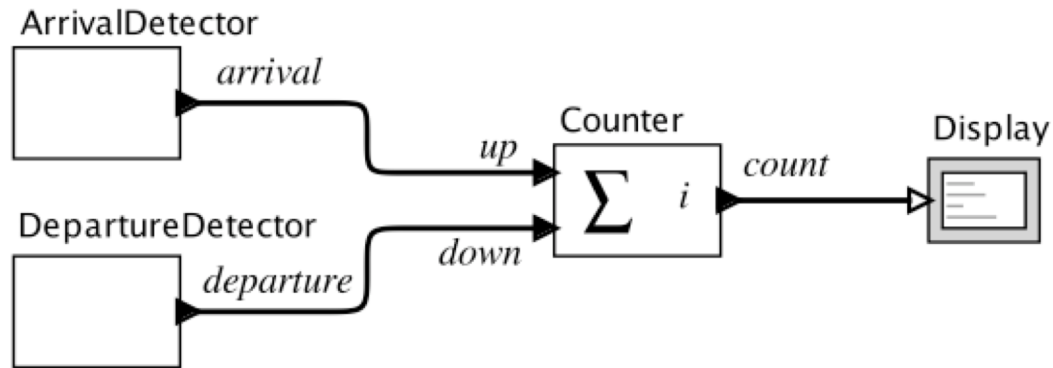
# Discrete Systems: Example Design Problem

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- Count the number of cars that are present in a parking garage by sensing cars enter and leave the garage. Show this count on a display.

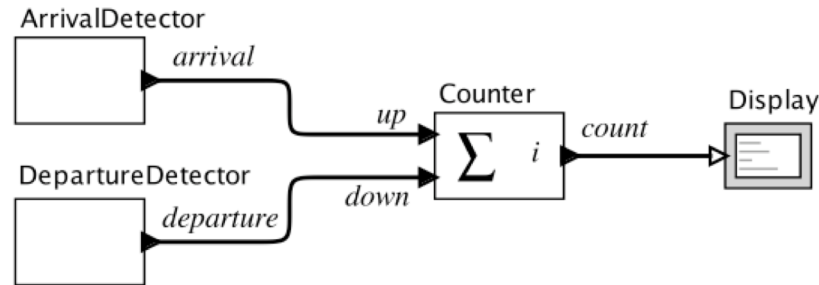
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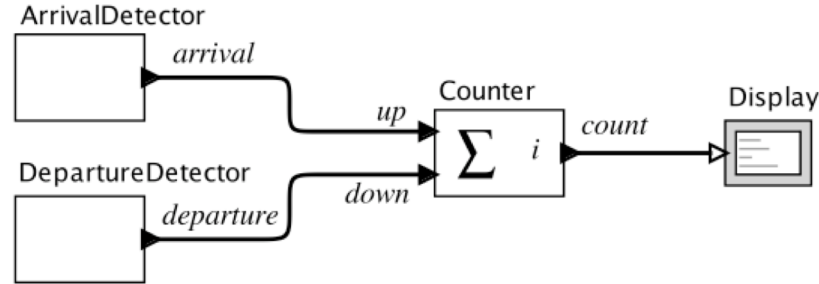
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- Pure signal:  $up: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \{absent, present\}$
- absent: no event at that time ; present: event at that time

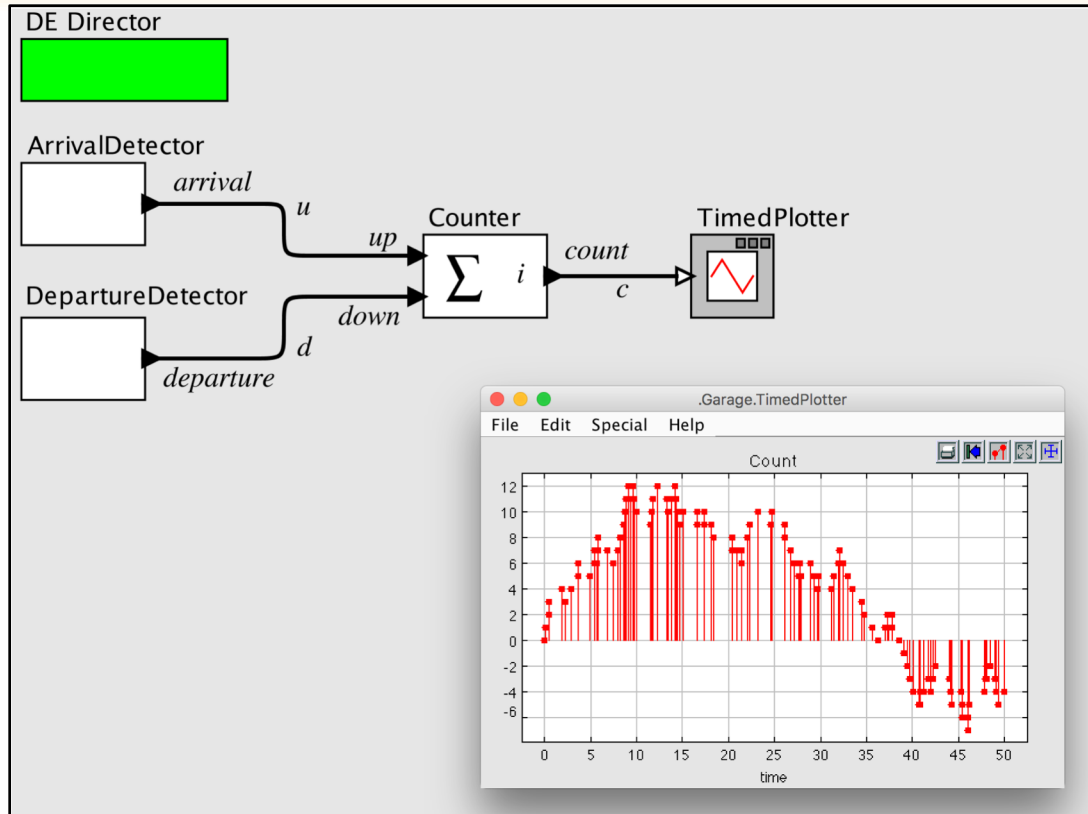
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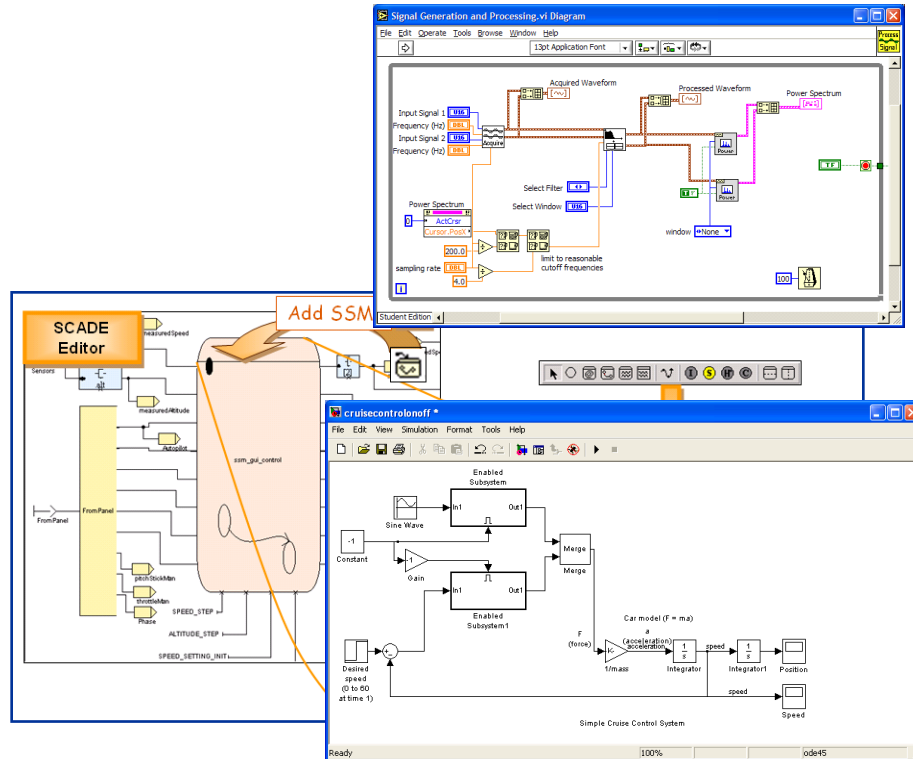
- Pure signal:  $up: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \{absent, present\}$
- Discrete actor:  $Counter: (\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \{absent, present\})^P \rightarrow (\mathbb{R} \rightarrow \{absent\} \cup \mathbb{N})$   
 $P = \{up, down\}$

# Demonstration of Ptolemy II Model (“Program”)



# Actor Modeling Languages / Frameworks

- LabVIEW
- Simulink
- Scade
- ...
- Reactors
- StreamIT
- ...



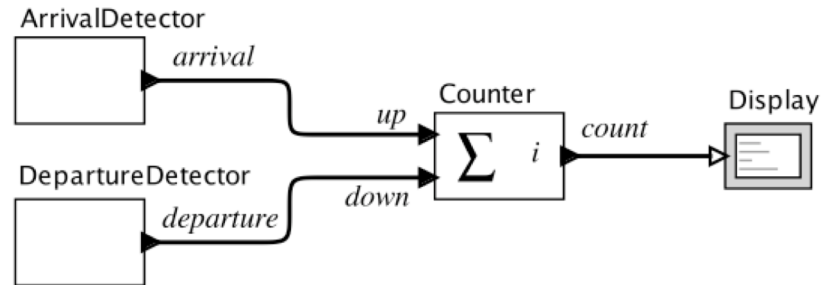


# Reaction / Transition

For any  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  where  $up(t) \neq absent$  or  $down(t) \neq absent$  the Counter **reacts**. It produces an output value in  $\mathbb{N}$  and changes its internal **state**.

**State:** condition of the system at a particular point in time

- Encodes everything about the past that influences the system's reaction to current input



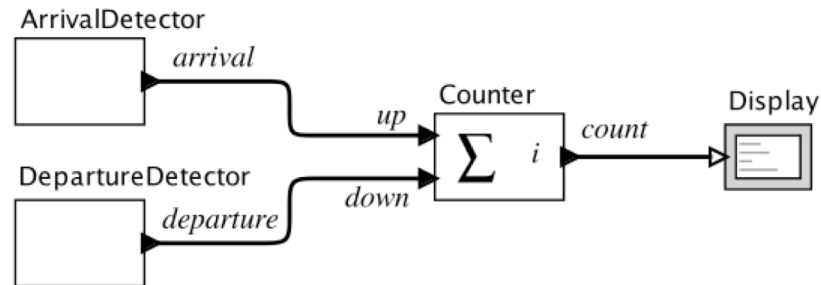
# Inputs and Outputs at a Reaction

For  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  the inputs are in a set

$$\text{Inputs} = (\{up, down\} \rightarrow \{absent, present\})$$

and the outputs are in a set

$$\text{Outputs} = (\{count\} \rightarrow \{absent\} \cup \mathbb{N}),$$



# Question

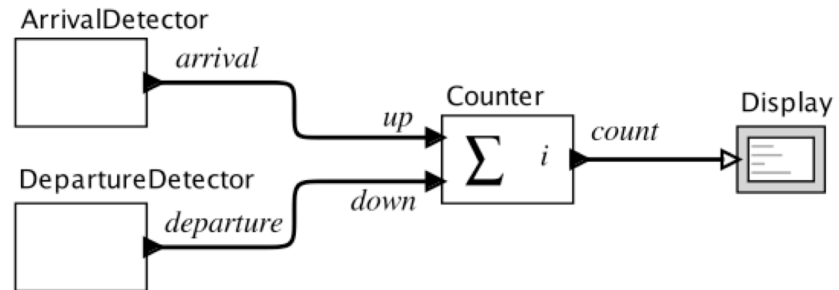
- What are some scenarios that the given parking garage (interface) design does not handle well?

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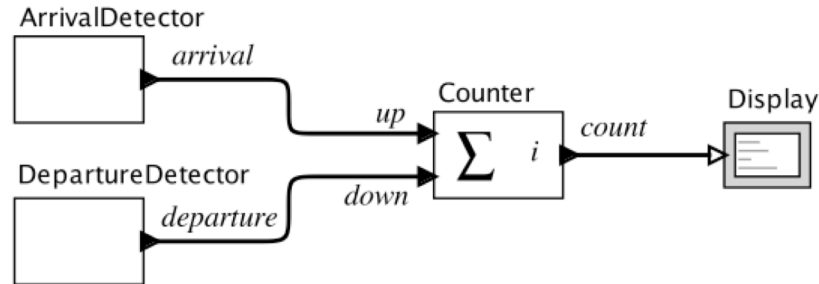
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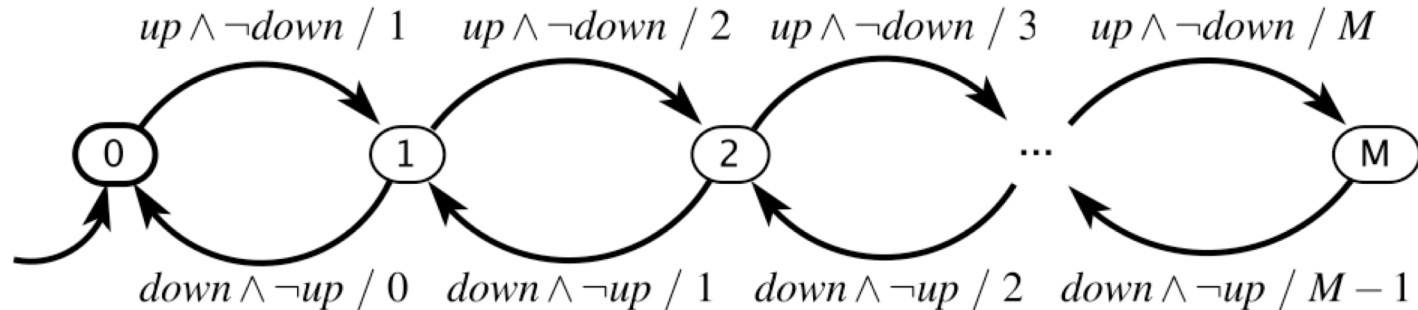
# State Space

A practical parking garage has a finite number  $M$  of spaces, so the state space for the counter is

$$\text{States} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, M\} .$$



# Garage Counter Finite State Machine (FSM)



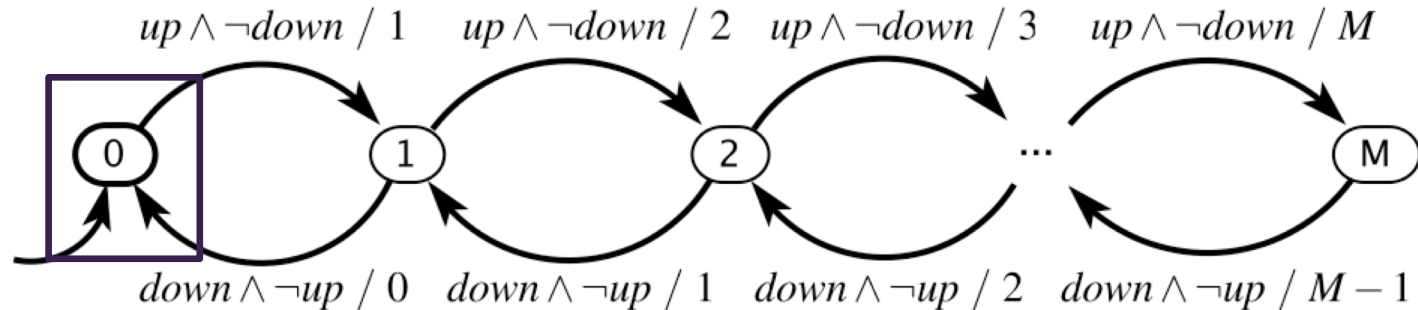
Guard  $g \subseteq Inputs$  is specified using the shorthand

$$up \wedge \neg down$$

which means

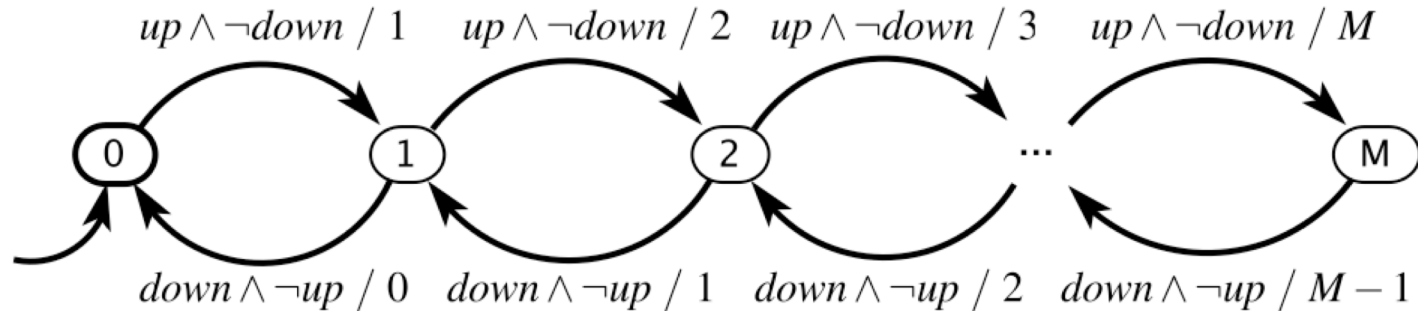
$Inputs(up) = \text{present}, Inputs(down) = \text{absent}$

# Garage Counter Finite State Machine (FSM)



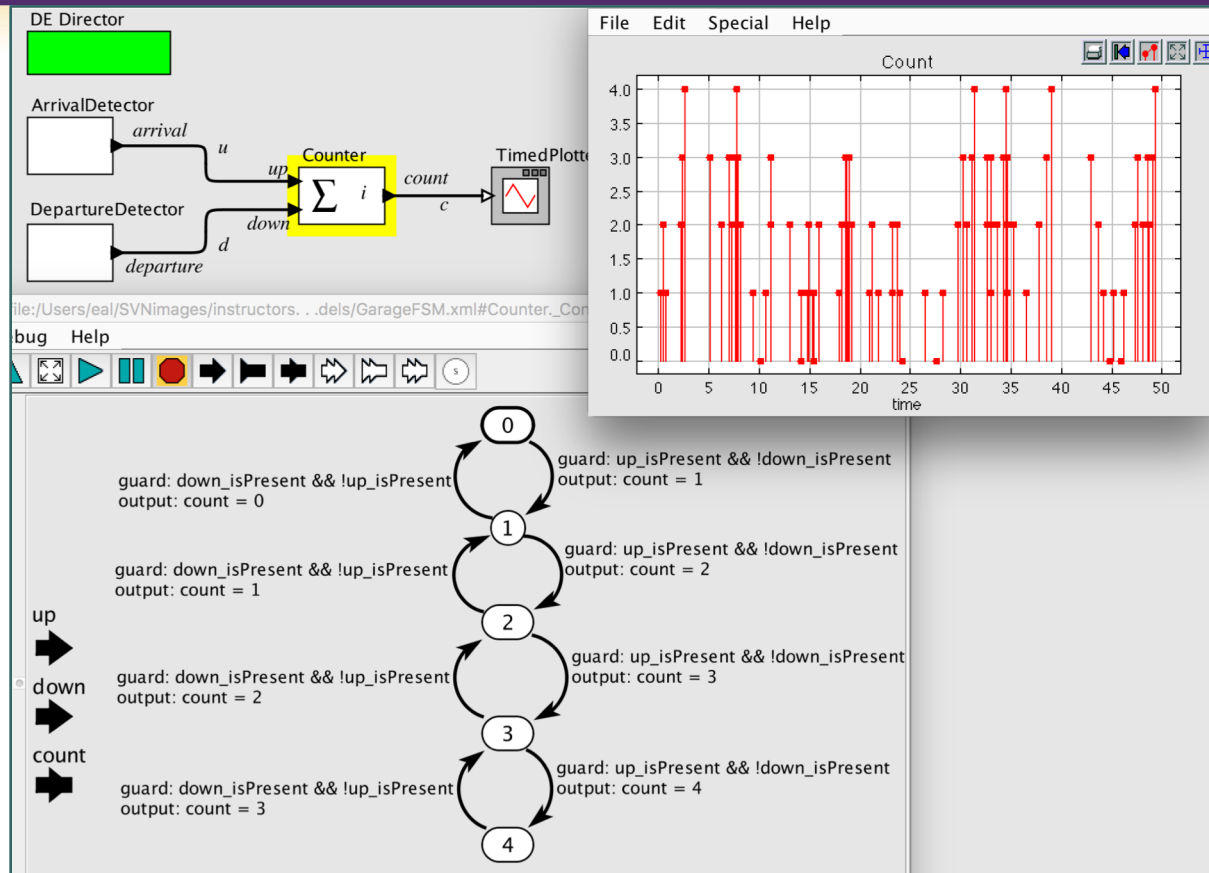
Initial state

# Garage Counter Finite State Machine (FSM)



Output

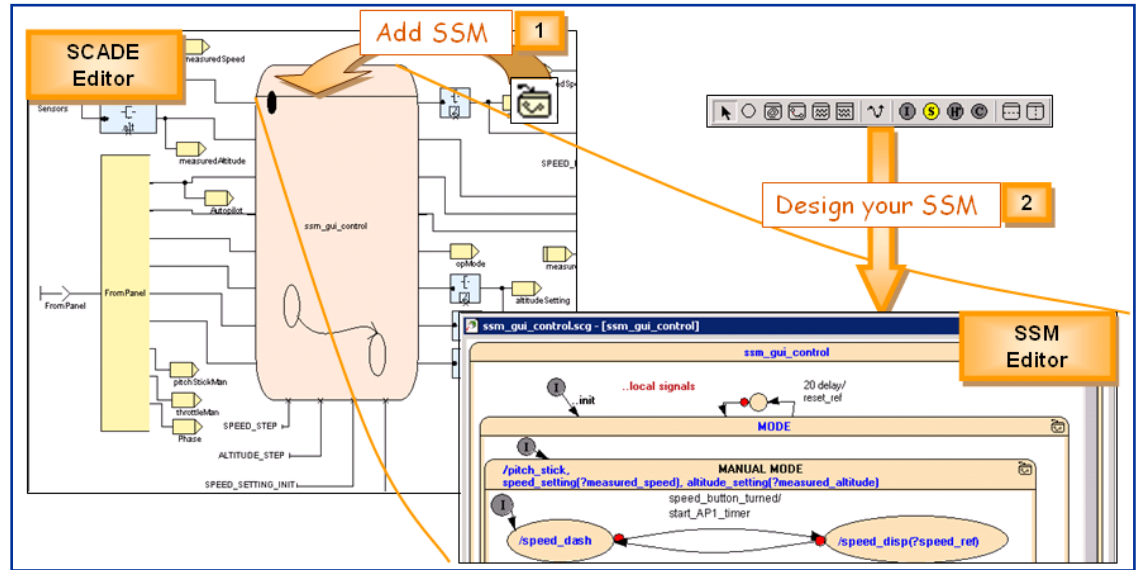
# Ptolemy II Model



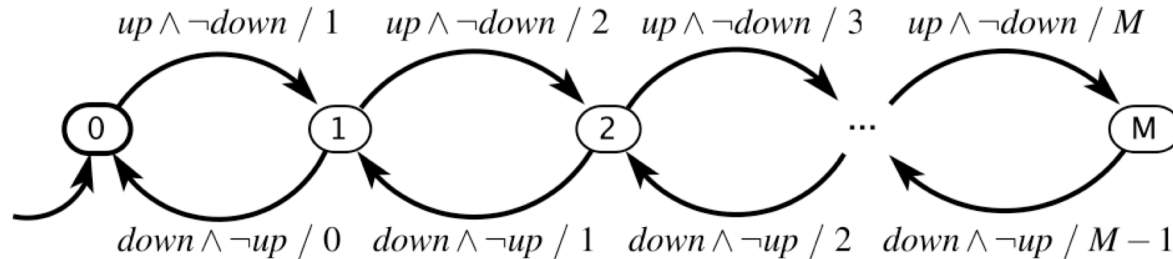


# FSM Modeling Languages / Frameworks

- LabVIEW Statecharts
- Simulink Stateflow
- Scade
- ...



# Garage Counter Mathematical Model



Formally:  $(States, Inputs, Outputs, update, initialState)$ , where

- $States = \{0, 1, \dots, M\}$
- $Inputs = (\{up, down\} \rightarrow \{absent, present\})$
- $Outputs = (\{count\} \rightarrow \{absent\} \cup \mathbb{N})$
- $update : States \times Inputs \rightarrow States \times Outputs$
- $initialState = 0$

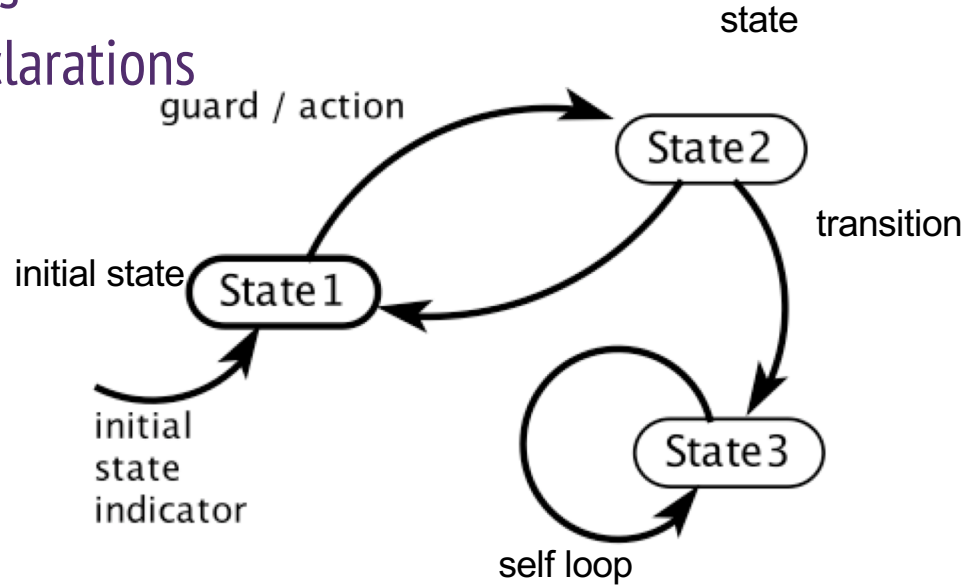
The picture above defines the update function.

# FSM Notation

Input declarations

Output declarations

Extended state declarations



# Examples of Guards for Pure Signals

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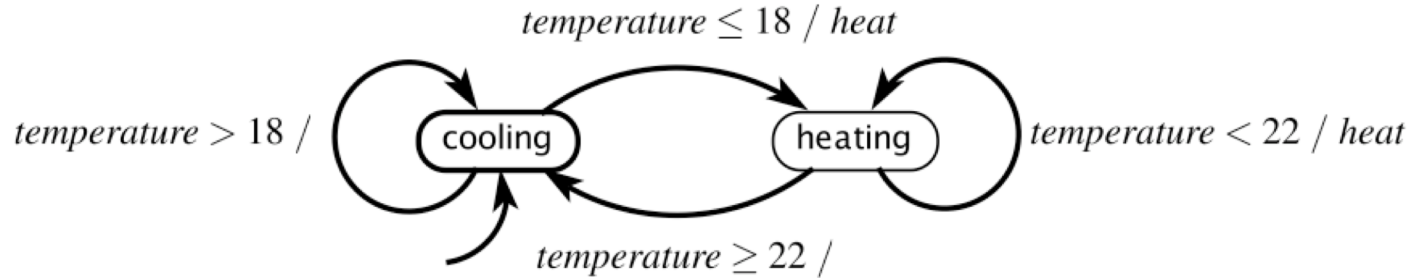
$true$	Transition is always enabled.
$p_1$	Transition is enabled if $p_1$ is <i>present</i> .
$\neg p_1$	Transition is enabled if $p_1$ is <i>absent</i> .
$p_1 \wedge p_2$	Transition is enabled if both $p_1$ and $p_2$ are <i>present</i> .
$p_1 \vee p_2$	Transition is enabled if either $p_1$ or $p_2$ is <i>present</i> .
$p_1 \wedge \neg p_2$	Transition is enabled if $p_1$ is <i>present</i> and $p_2$ is <i>absent</i> .

# Guards for Signals with Numerical Values

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$p_3$	Transition is enabled if $p_3$ is <i>present</i> (not <i>absent</i> ).
$p_3 = 1$	Transition is enabled if $p_3$ is <i>present</i> and has value 1.
$p_3 = 1 \wedge p_1$	Transition is enabled if $p_3$ has value 1 and $p_1$ is <i>present</i> .
$p_3 > 5$	Transition is enabled if $p_3$ is <i>present</i> with value greater than 5.

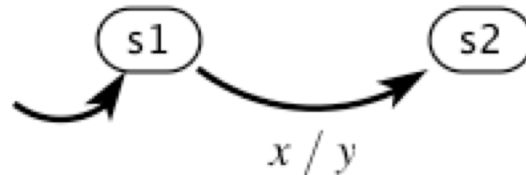
# Example of *Modal* Model: Thermostat



# When does a reaction occur?

- Suppose all inputs are discrete and a reaction occurs *when any input is present*. Then the below transition will be taken whenever the current state is  $s1$  and  $x$  is present.
- This is an *event-triggered model*.

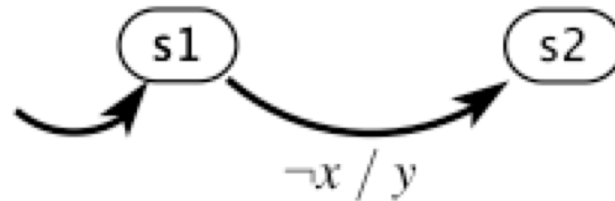
input:  $x \in \{present, absent\}$   
output:  $y \in \{present, absent\}$



# When does a reaction occur?

- Suppose  $x$  and  $y$  are discrete and pure signals.  
When does the transition occur?

input:  $x \in \{present, absent\}$   
output:  $y \in \{present, absent\}$



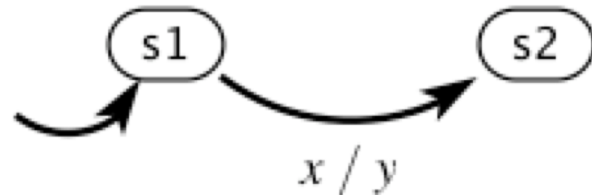
Answer: when the *environment* triggers a reaction and  $x$  is absent.  
If this is a (complete) event-triggered model, then the transition will never be taken because the reaction will only occur when  $x$  is present!



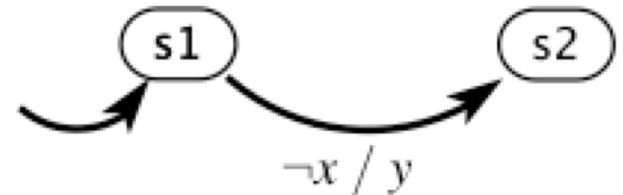
# When does a reaction occur?

- Suppose all inputs are discrete and a reaction occurs *on the tick of an external clock*.
- This is a *time-triggered model*.

input:  $x \in \{present, absent\}$   
output:  $y \in \{present, absent\}$

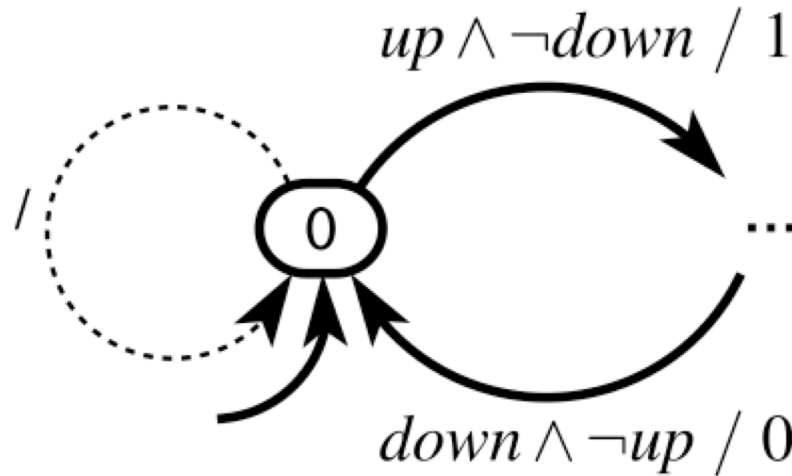


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# More Notation: Default Transitions

- A default transition is enabled if it either has no guard or the guard evaluates to true. When is the below default transition enabled?



# Default Transitions

## ➤ Example: Traffic Light Controller

