

Dynamic systems on time scales

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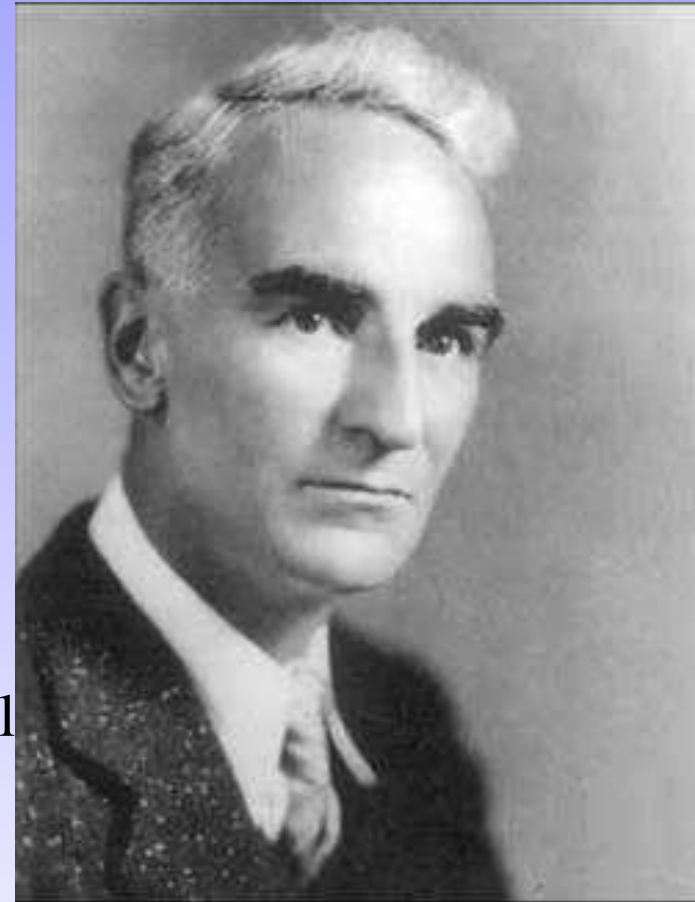
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Background

A major task of mathematics today is to harmonize the continuous and the discrete, to include them in one comprehensive mathematics, and to eliminate obscurity from both.

"Men of Mathematics", E.T. Bell



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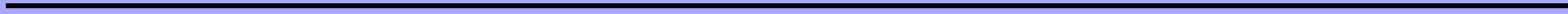
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☞ Time Scales Research Group from Baylor University

<http://web.ecs.baylor.edu/faculty/marks/Research/TimeScales/index.htm>

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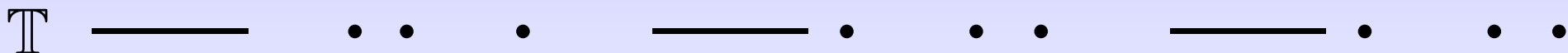
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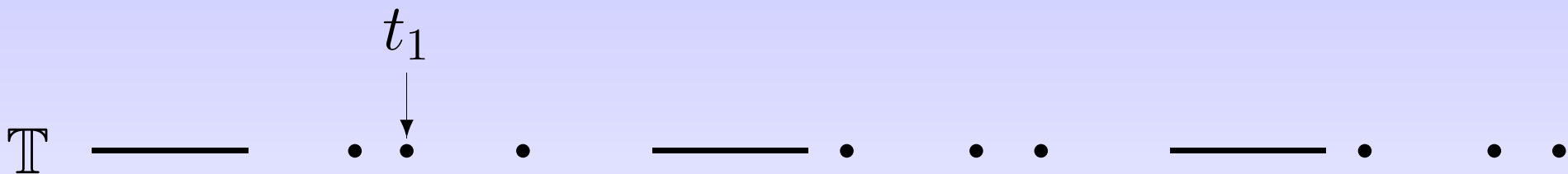


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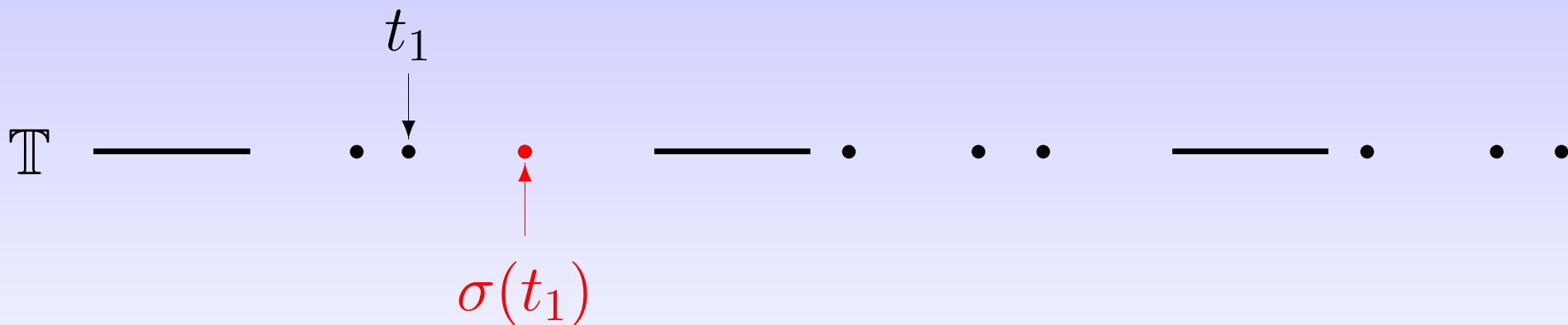


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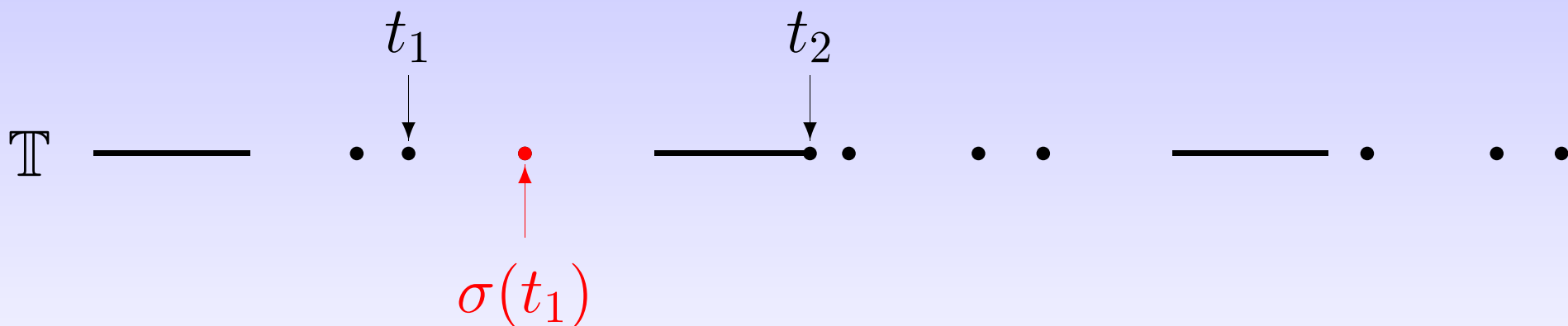


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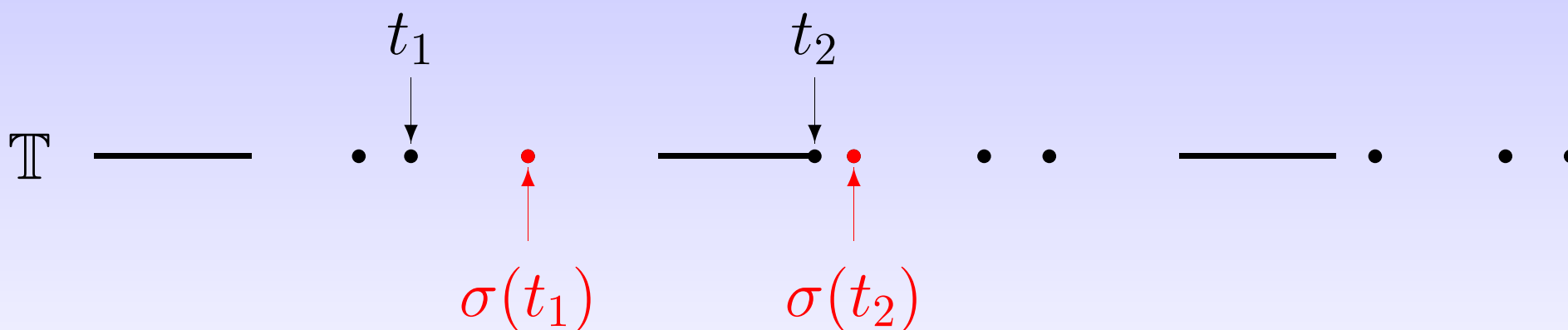


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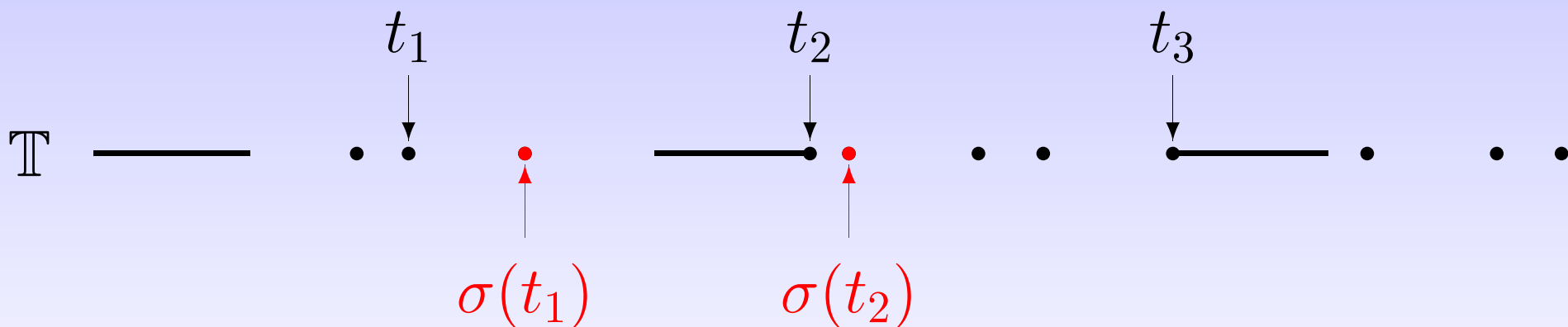


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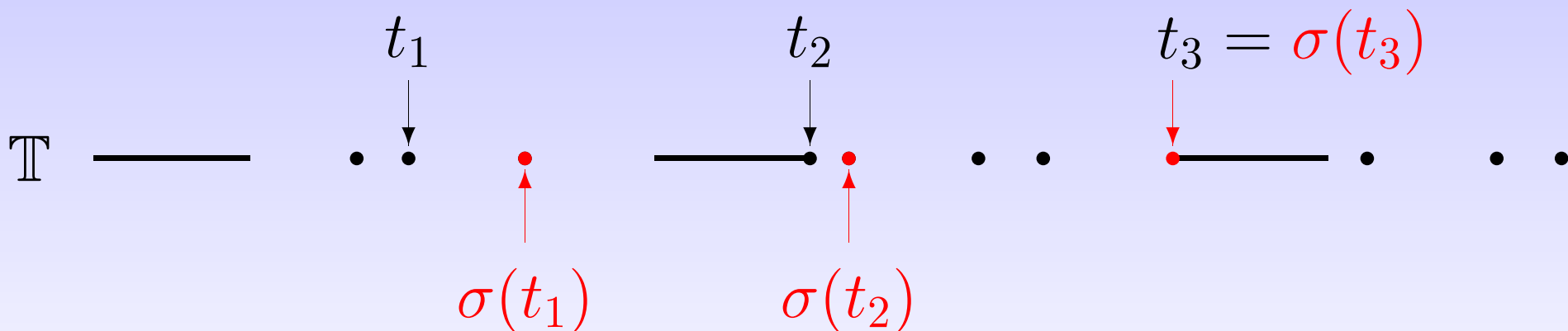


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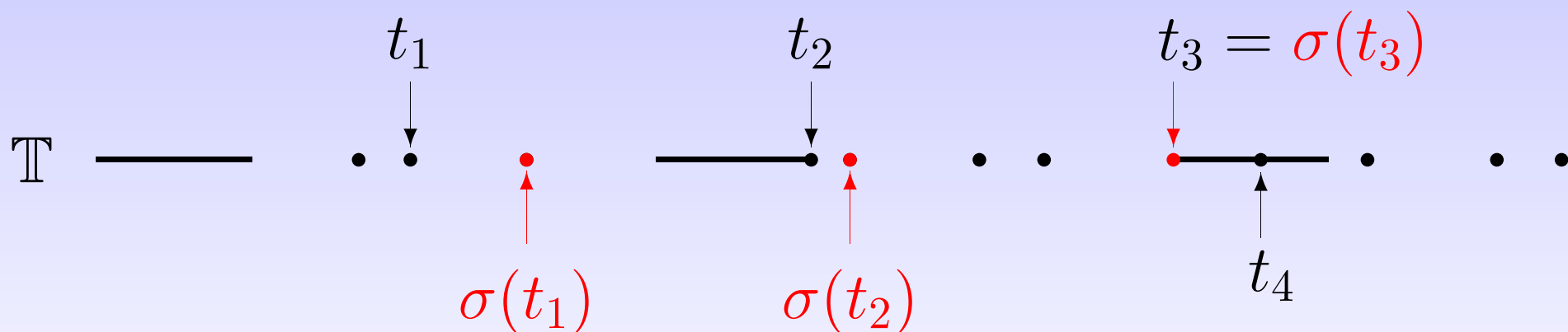


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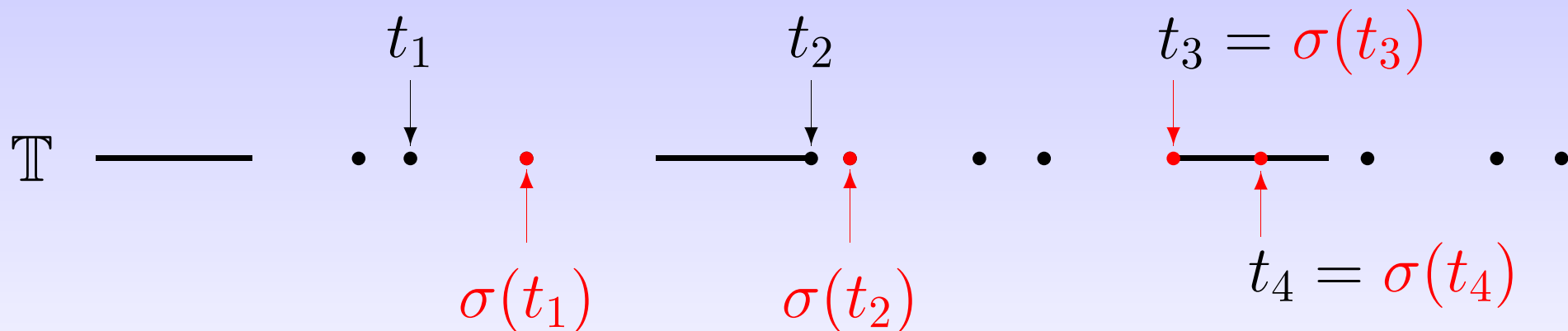


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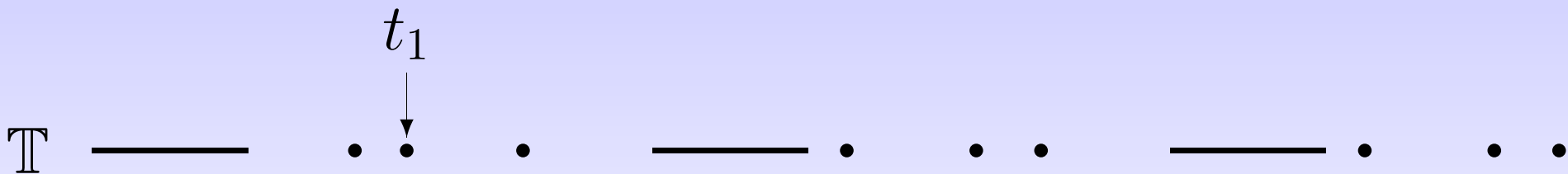


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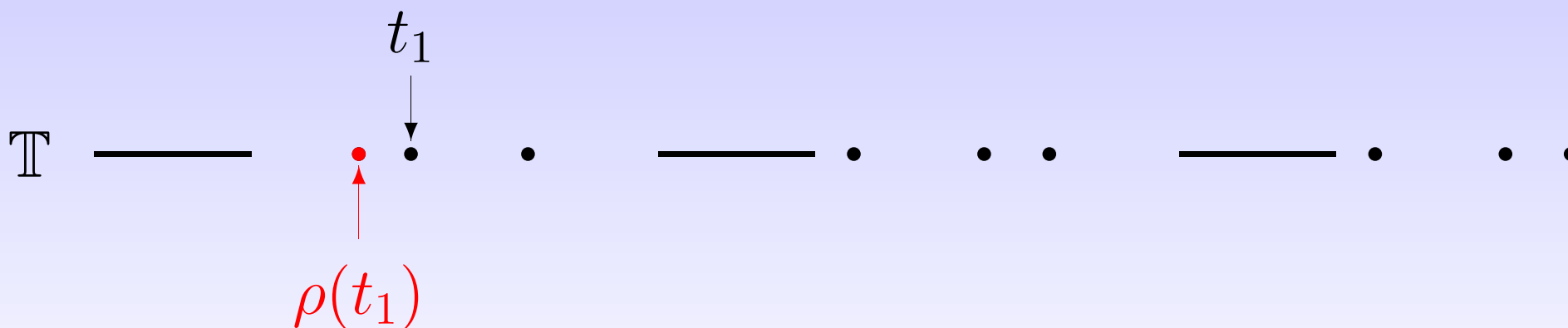


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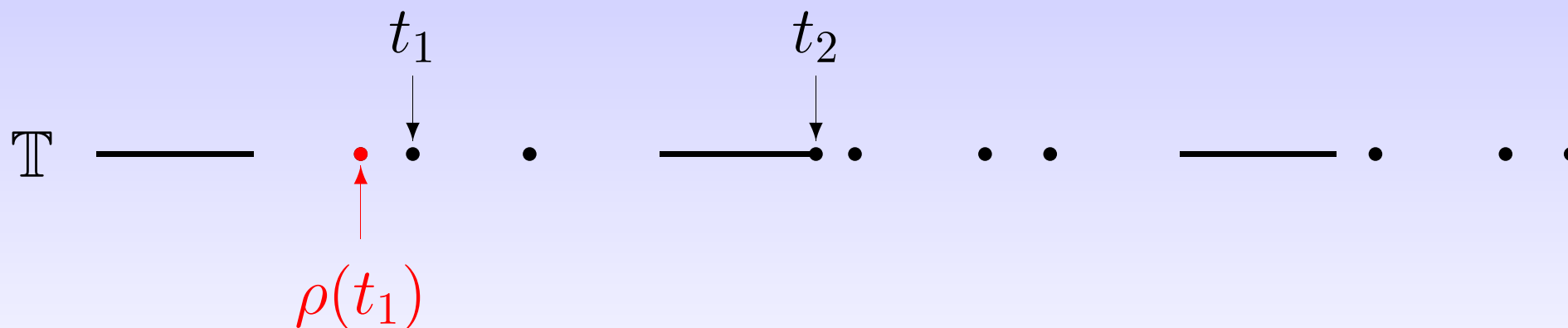


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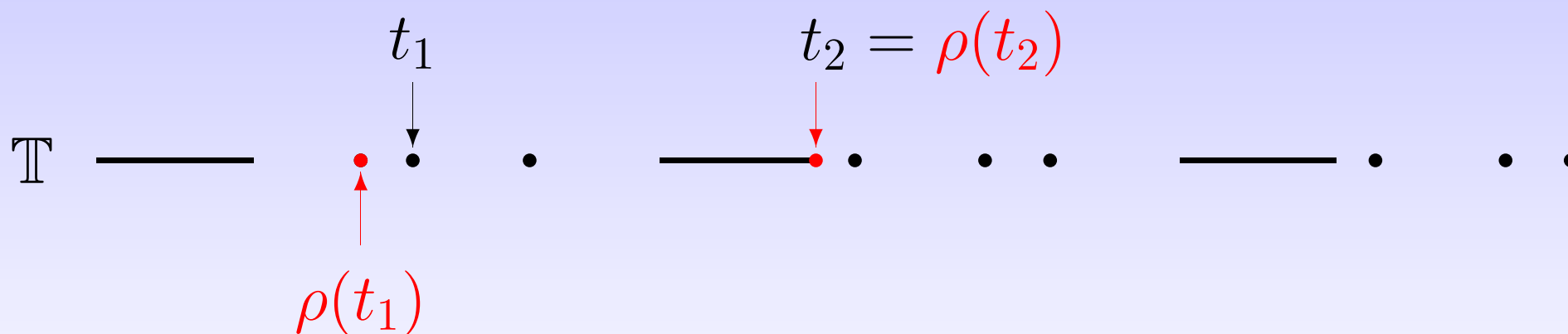


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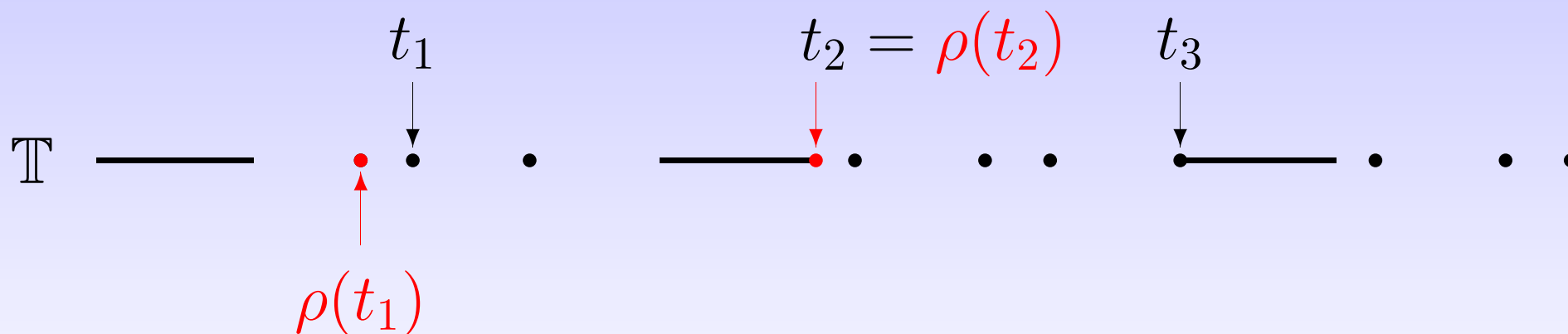


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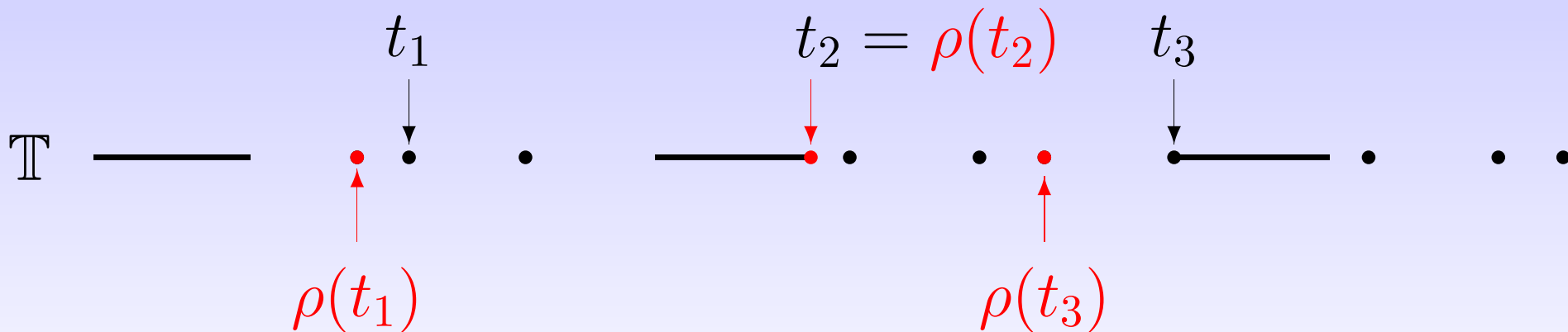


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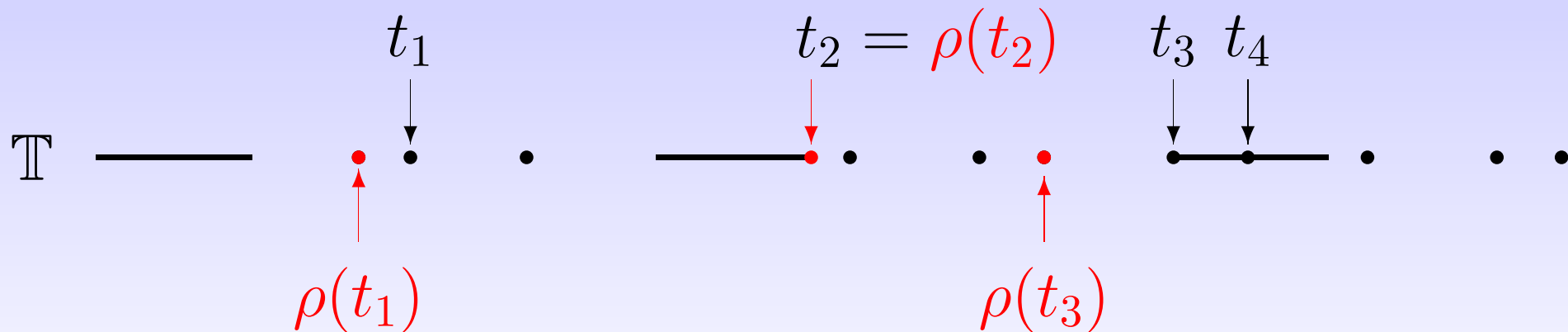


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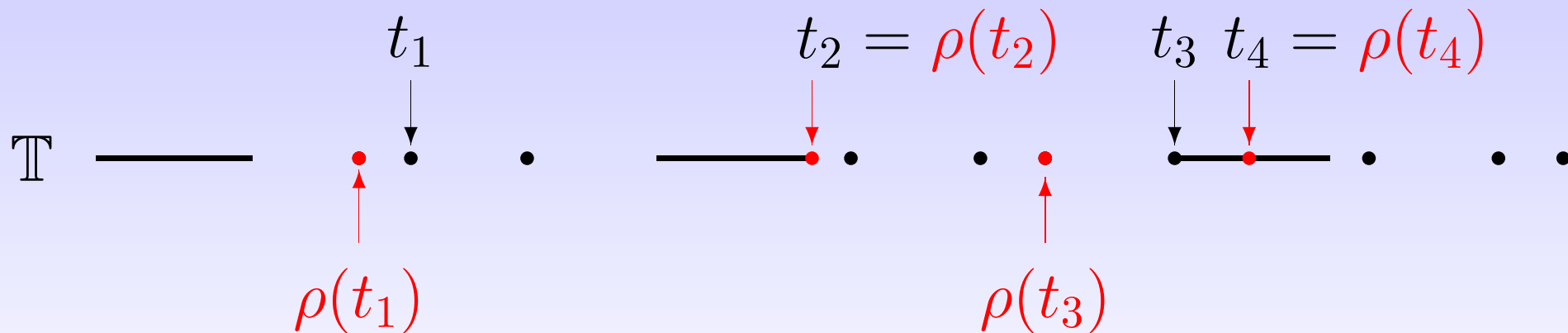


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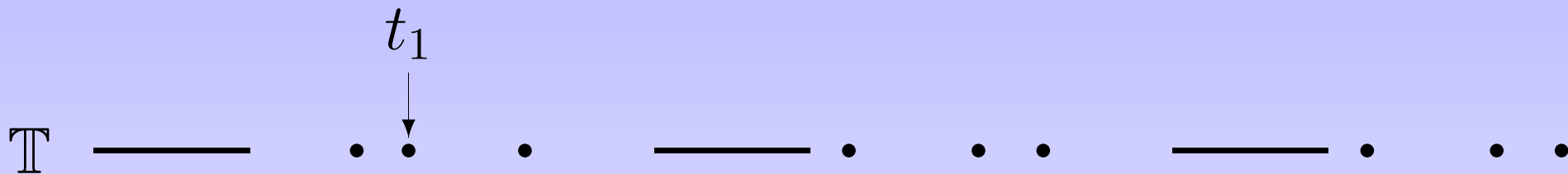
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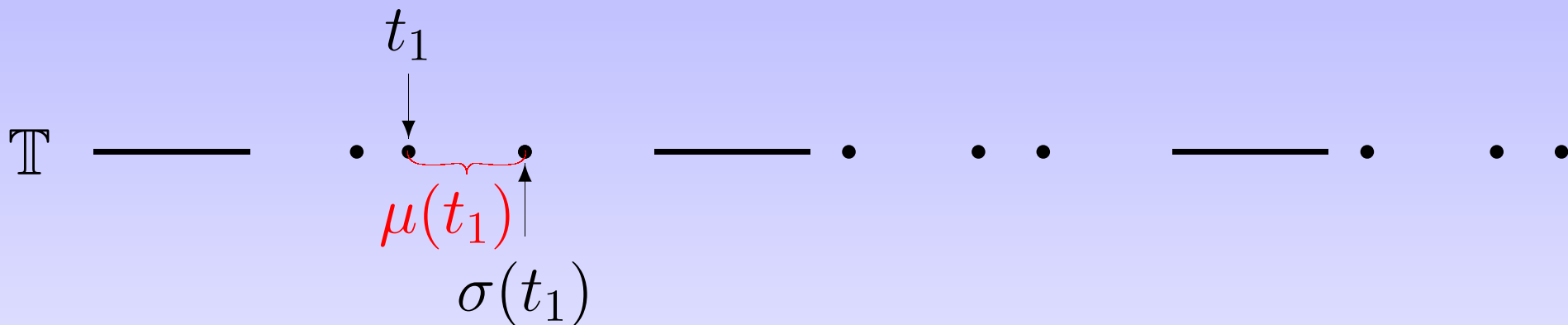
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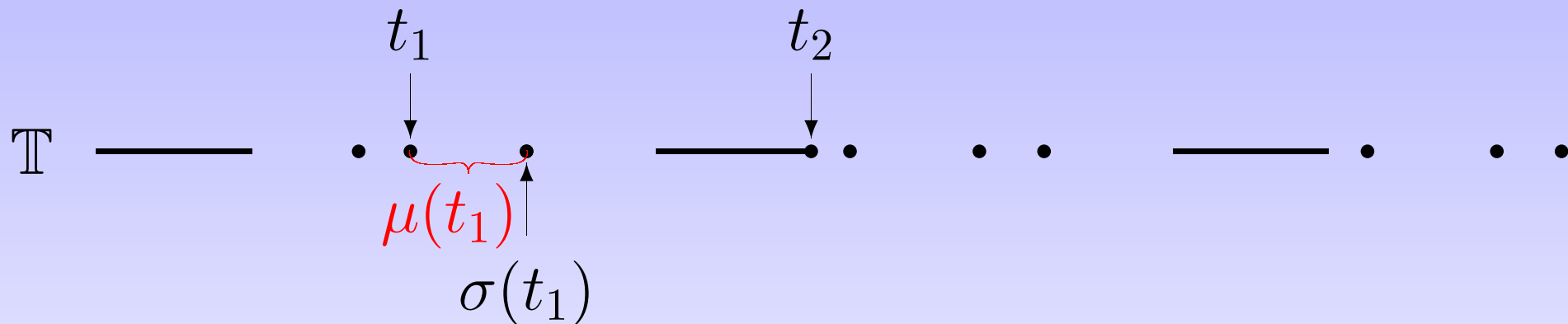
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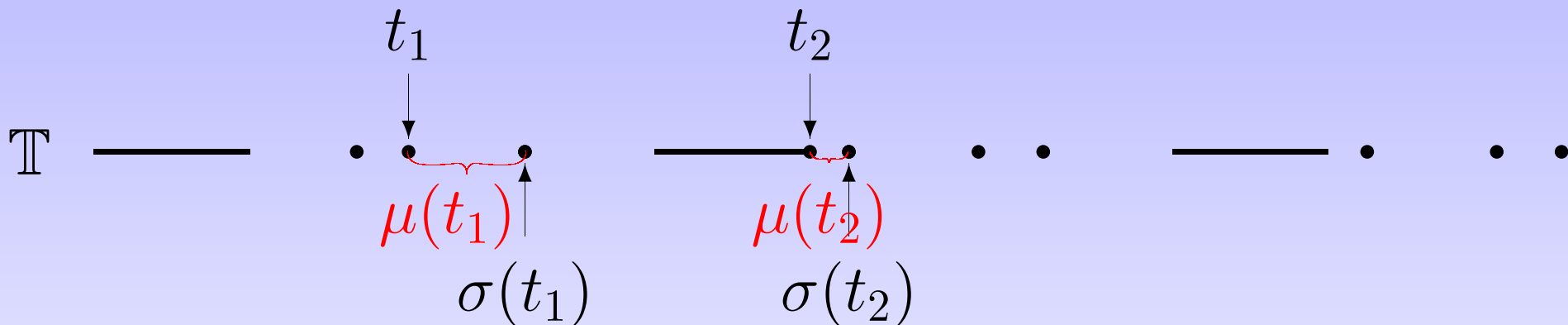
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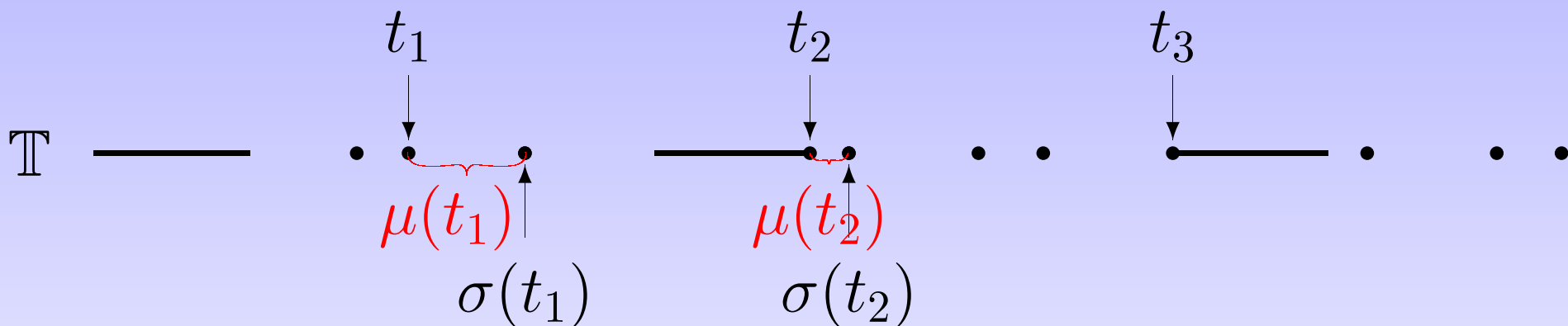
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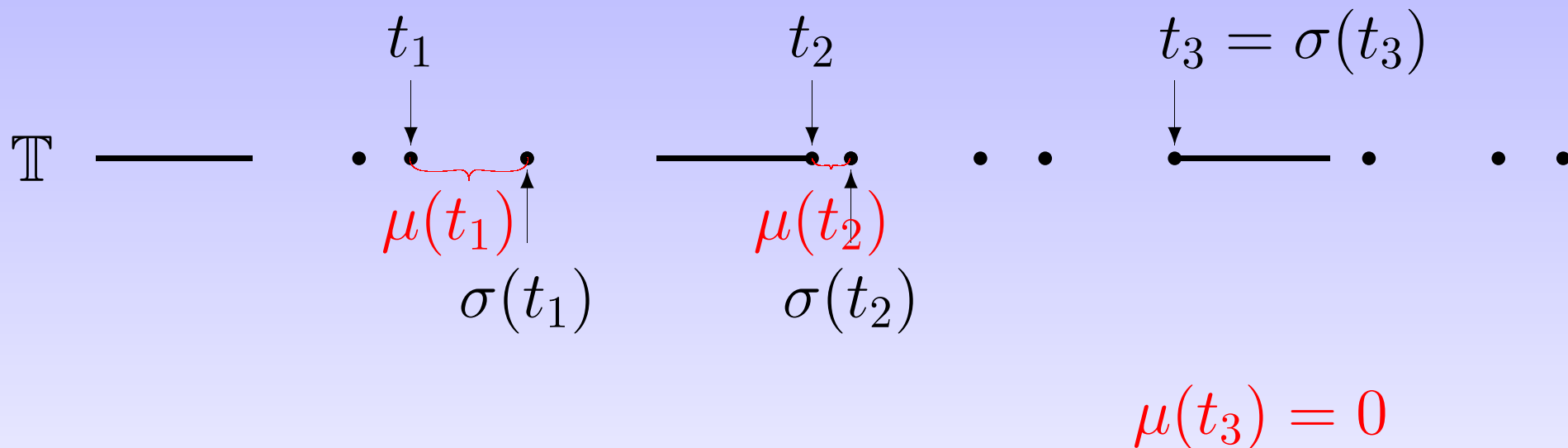
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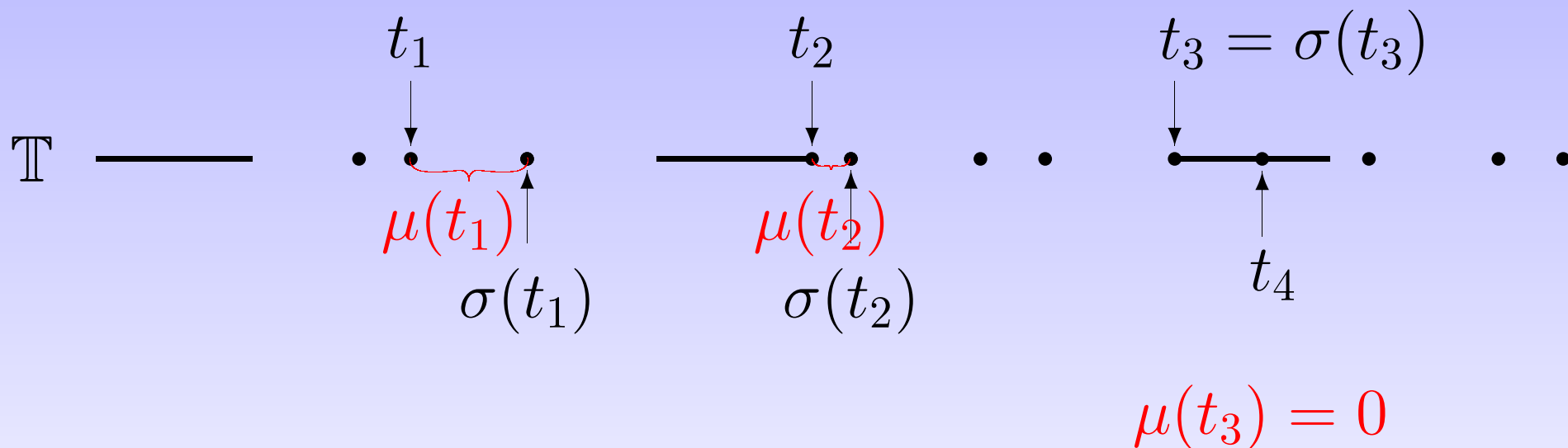
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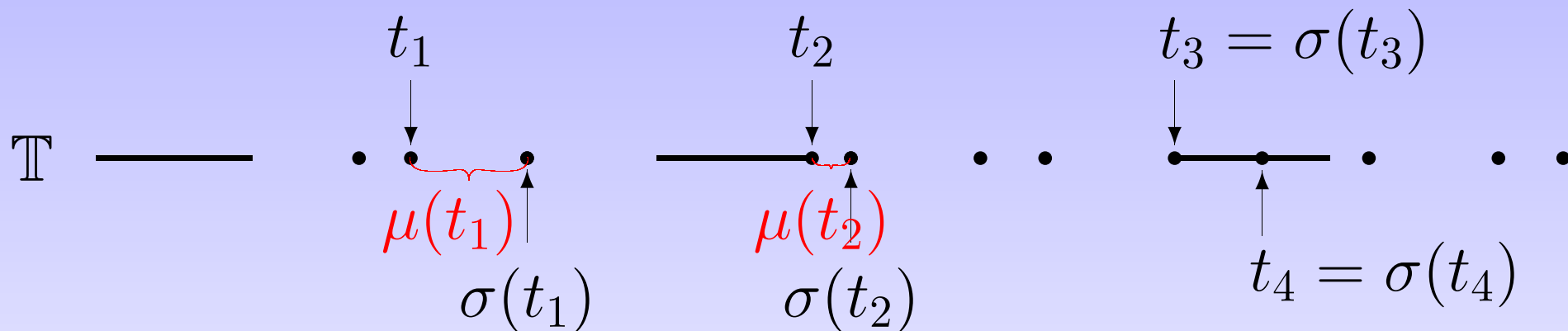
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Then for every $t \in h\mathbb{Z}$

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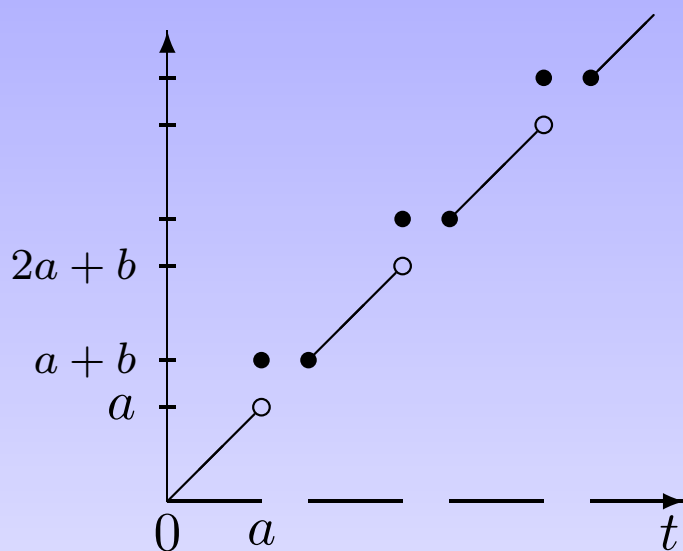
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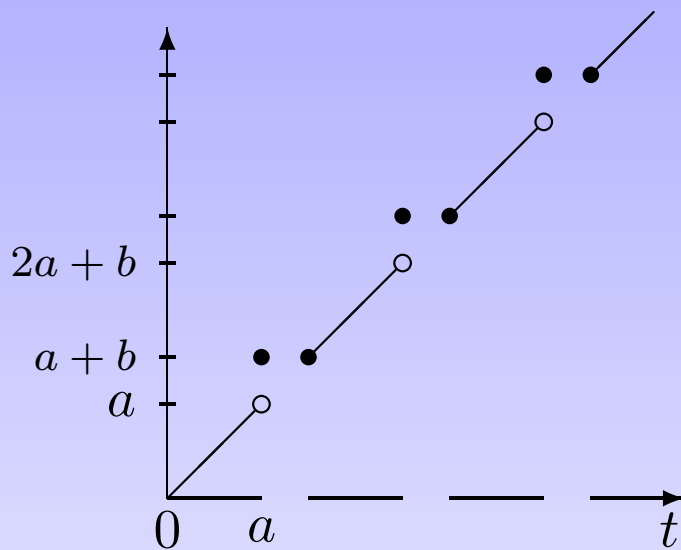
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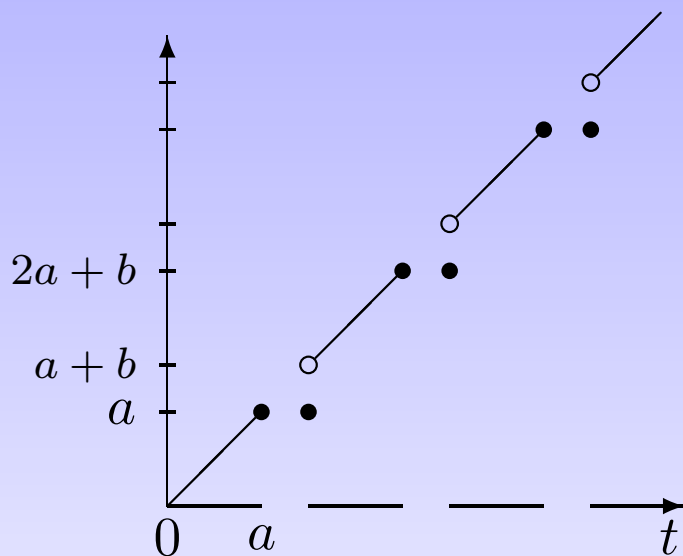


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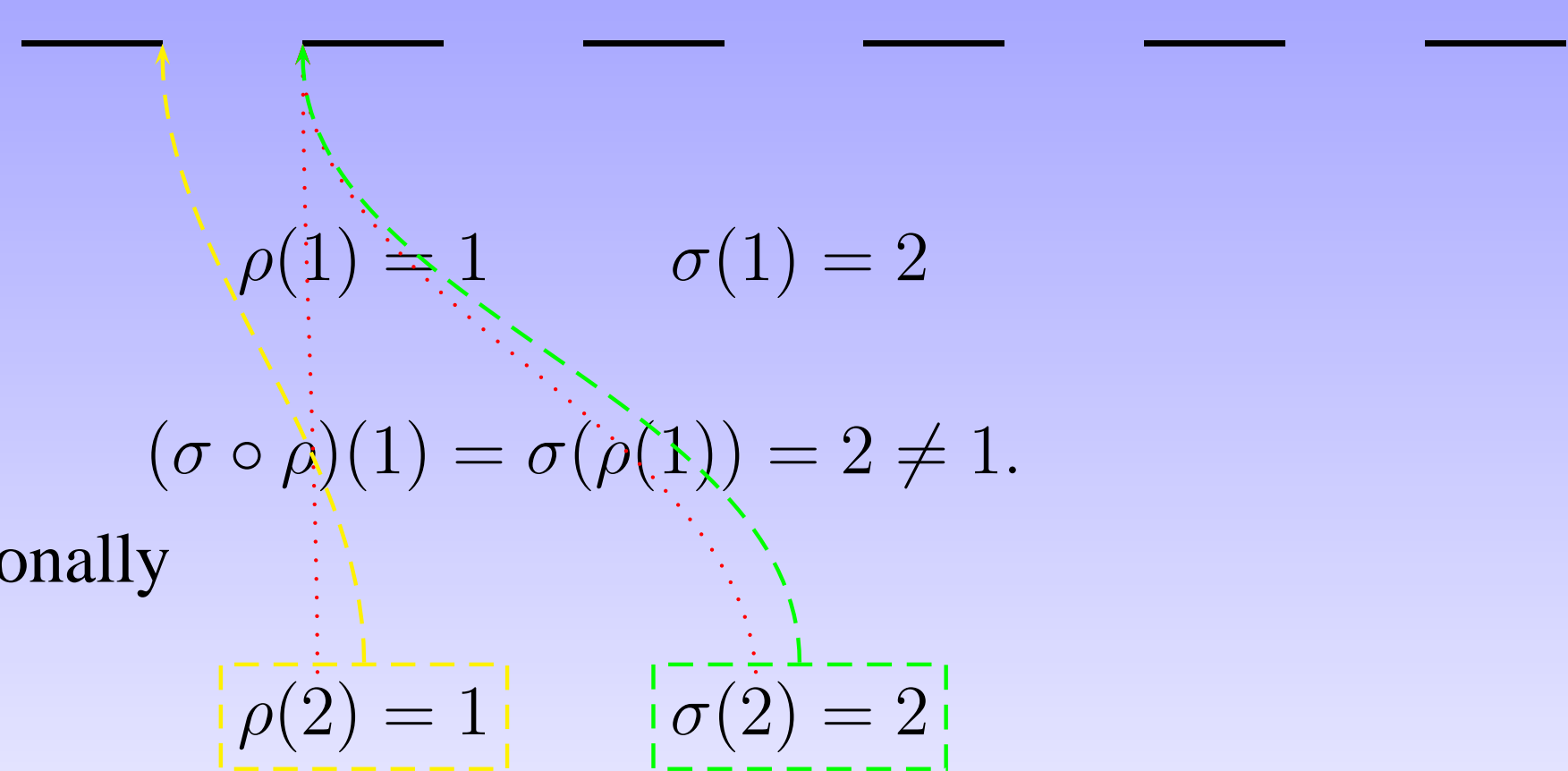
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Delta derivative

Delta derivative of $f : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, denoted by f^Δ , can be defined as the extension of standard time-derivative in the continuous-time case.

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$$f^\Delta(t) = \lim_{s \rightarrow t} \frac{f(t) - f(s)}{t - s} = f'(t).$$

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$$f^{\Delta}(t) = \frac{f(\sigma(t)) - f(t)}{\mu(t)} = \frac{f(qt) - f(t)}{(q-1)t}.$$

Moreover

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Properties of delta derivatives

$$\text{☞ } f(\sigma(t)) = f(t) + \mu(t)f^\Delta(t).$$

$$\text{☞ } (f + g)^\Delta(t) = f^\Delta(t) + g^\Delta(t).$$

$$\text{☞ } (\alpha f)^\Delta(t) = \alpha f^\Delta(t).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{☞ } (f \cdot g)^\Delta(t) &= f^\Delta(t)g(t) + f(\sigma(t))g^\Delta(t) \\ &= f(t)g^\Delta(t) + f^\Delta(t)g(\sigma(t)). \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{☞ } \left(\frac{f}{g}\right)^\Delta(t) = \frac{f^\Delta(t)g(t) - f(t)g^\Delta(t)}{g(t)g(\sigma(t))}.$$

Some applications of time scales



$N(t)$ - the amount of plants at time t .

During the months of April until September:

$$N' = N.$$

October 1st: all plants suddenly die
but the seeds remain in the ground

April 1st: seeds start growing again
with N now being doubled.

We can model this situation using the time scales

$$\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{P}_{1,1} := \bigcup_{k=0}^{\infty} [2k, 2k + 1],$$

where

$t = 2k$ is April 1st of k^{th} year,

$t = 2k + 1$ is October 1st of k^{th} year.

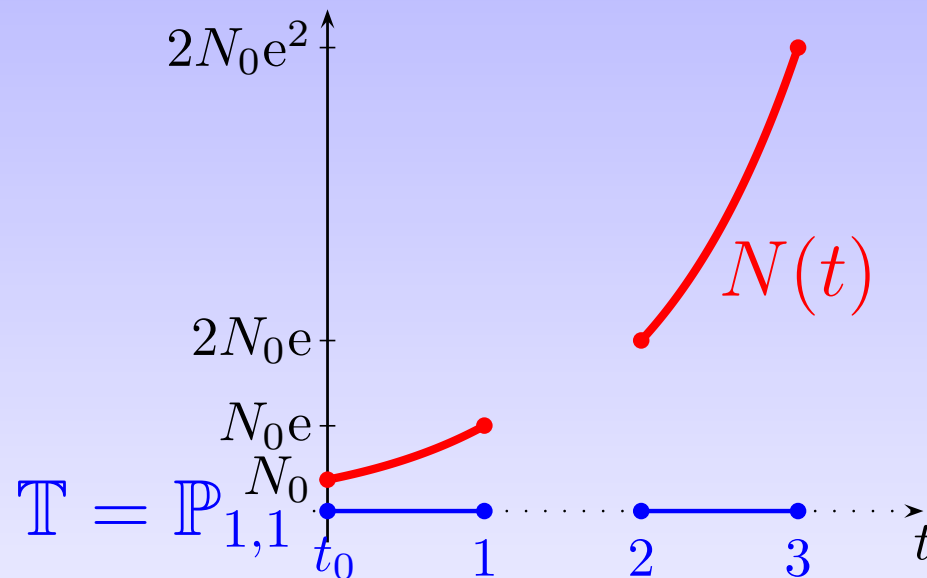
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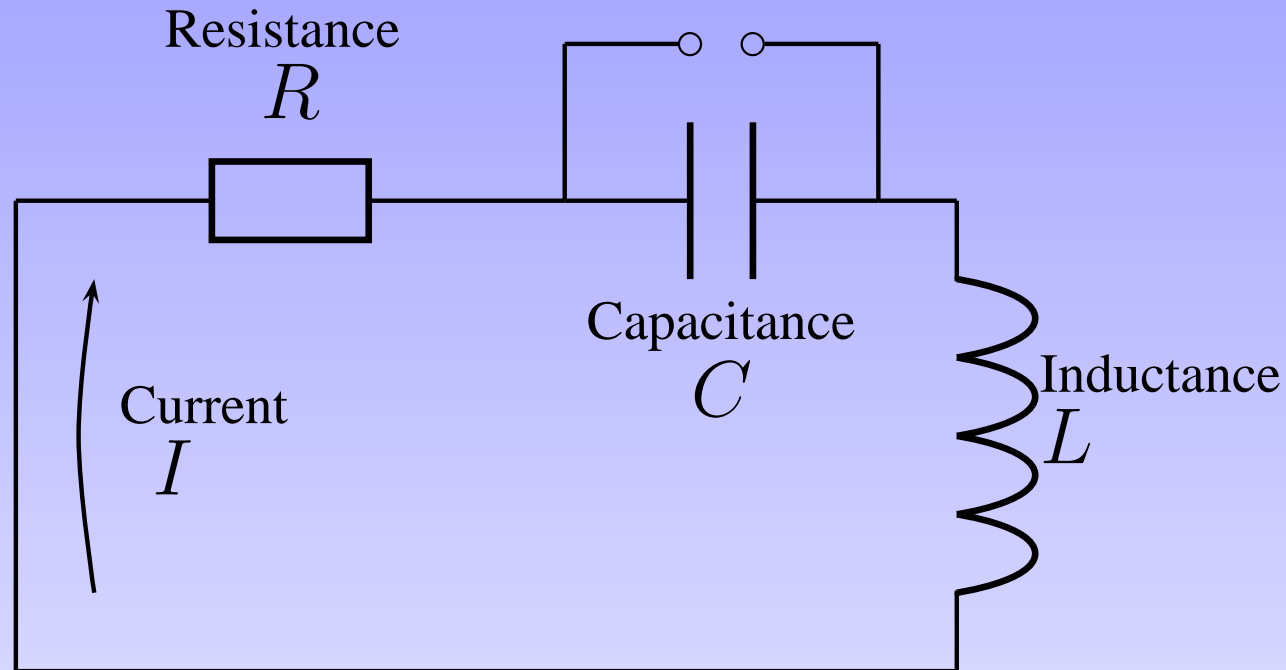
$$N(t) = 2^k e^{t-k} N_0, \quad \text{for } 2k \leq t \leq 2k+1, \quad k \in \mathbb{N}_0.$$



The following examples can be modeled with similar time scales:

- ☞ insect population model, which are discrete in season, die out in say winter, while their eggs are incubating or dormant, and then in season again, hatching gives rise to a nonoverlapping population
- ☞ some specific example is the cicada *Magicicada septendecim* which lives as a larva for 17 years as an adult for perhaps a week
- ☞ another example is the common mayfly *Stenonema canadense* which lives as a larva for a years as an adult for less than a day.

Electric circuit



Suppose we decharge the capacitor periodically every time unit and assume that the decharging takes $\delta > 0$ (but small) time units.

Then this simulation can be modeled using time scale

$$\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{P}_{1-\delta, \delta} = \bigcup_{k=0}^{\infty} [k, k + 1 - \delta].$$

If $Q(t)$ is the total charge on the capacitor at time t and $I(t)$ is the current as a function of time t , then we have

$$Q^{\Delta}(t) = \begin{cases} bQ(t), & \text{if } t \in \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \{k - \delta\} \\ I, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$I^{\Delta}(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } t \in \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \{k - \delta\} \\ -\frac{1}{LC}Q - \frac{R}{L}I, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where b is a constant satisfying $-1 < b\delta < 0$.

Economical application of time scales

By varying the time and interest rate of an account we are able to find out how much money will be in the account after time $t \in \mathbb{T}$.

☞ Suppose we open an account, initially at time $t = 1$, invest \$2,000 and add an additional \$2,000 every time interest is compounded.

Let $\mathbb{T} = q^{\mathbb{N}_0}$ where $t_0 = q_0 = 1$. The interest is compounded every $t = q^n$ years and at a rate of $t\%$.

How much will we have in the account at time t ?

How much would we have at time $t = (1, 5)^5$?

Since $y(1) = 0$, let $y(t)$ be the amount of money after time $t = q^n$. Therefore

$$y(\sigma(t)) = y(t) + 2000 + 0.01t(y(t) + 2000)$$

$$y(\sigma(t)) = (1 + 0.01t)y(t) + (1 + 0.01t)2000$$

and

$$y^\Delta(t) = \frac{0.01}{q-1}y(t) + \frac{1 + 0.01t}{(q-1)t}2000.$$

So the solution of IVP for the problem is

$$y(t) = 2000 \sum_{i \in [1, t)} \left((1 + 0.01i)^{\rho(t)} \prod_{s=\sigma(i)} (1 + 0.01s) \right).$$

If $q = 1.5$ and $n = 5$ we calculate how much money is in our account after $t = (1.5)^5 \approx 7.59$, so approximately 6.59 years after our initial investment, we get

$$y((1.5)^5) \approx \$11025.71.$$

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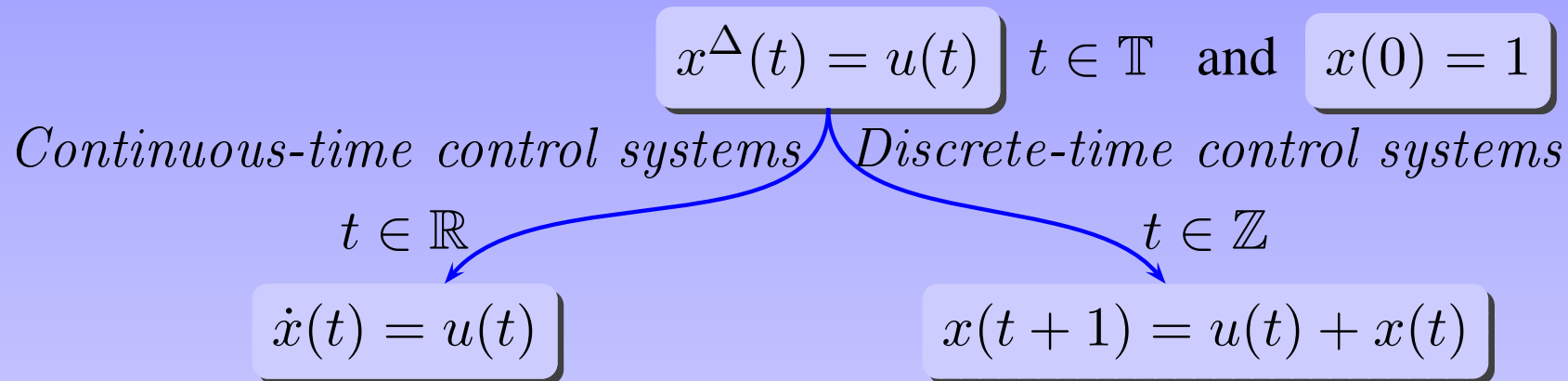
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where input u is the integrable function applied for the system.

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Integration

A function $F : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is called a *antiderivative of* $f : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ if it satisfies $F^\Delta(t) = f(t)$, for all $t \in \mathbb{T}$.

$$\int f(t) \Delta t = F(t) + \text{Const} \quad - \textit{indefinite integral of } f$$

For $s, t \in \mathbb{T}$

$$\int_r^s f(t) \Delta t = F(s) - F(r) \quad - \textit{Cauchy integral of } f$$

Cauchy integral of f

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$$\int_a^b f(t) \Delta t = \int_a^b f(t) dt \quad - \text{ Riemann integral.}$$

☞ Let $\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{Z}$. Then, for $a < b$, $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$,

$$\int_a^b f(t) \Delta t = \sum_{k=a}^{b-1} f(k) \quad - \text{ discrete summation.}$$

☞ Let $\mathbb{T} = \overline{2\mathbb{Z}}$. Then

$$\int_a^b f \Delta t = \sum_{t \in [a,b) \cap \mathbb{T}} t f(t).$$

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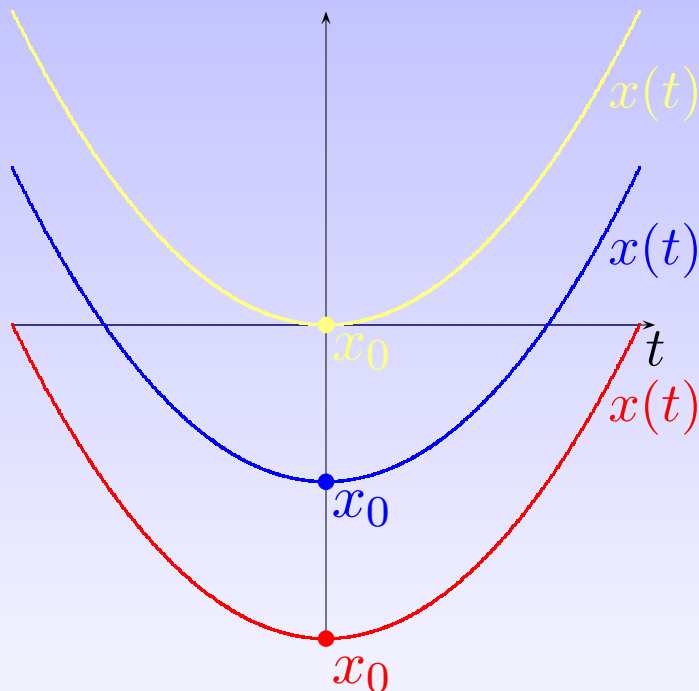
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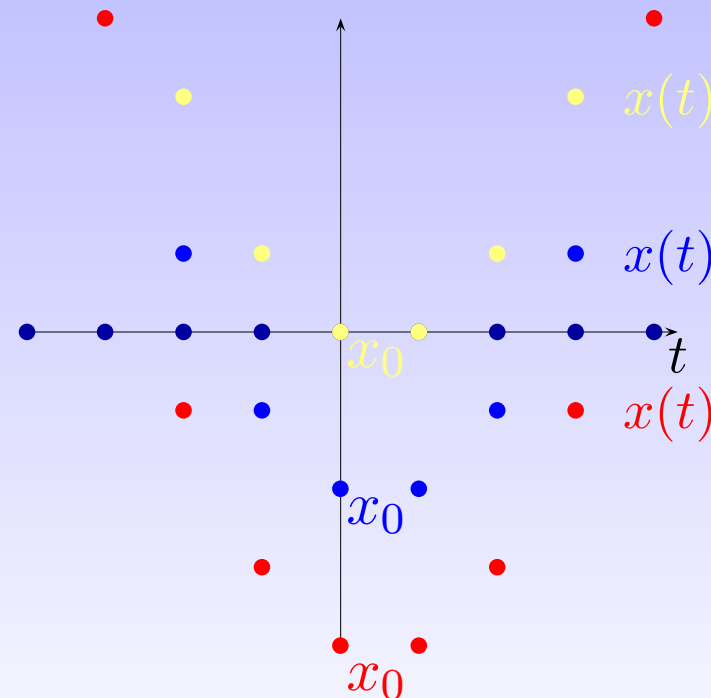


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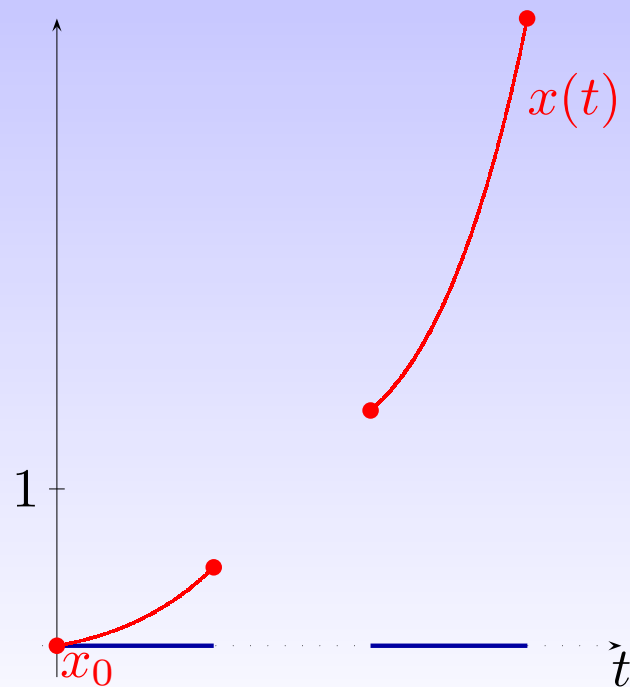
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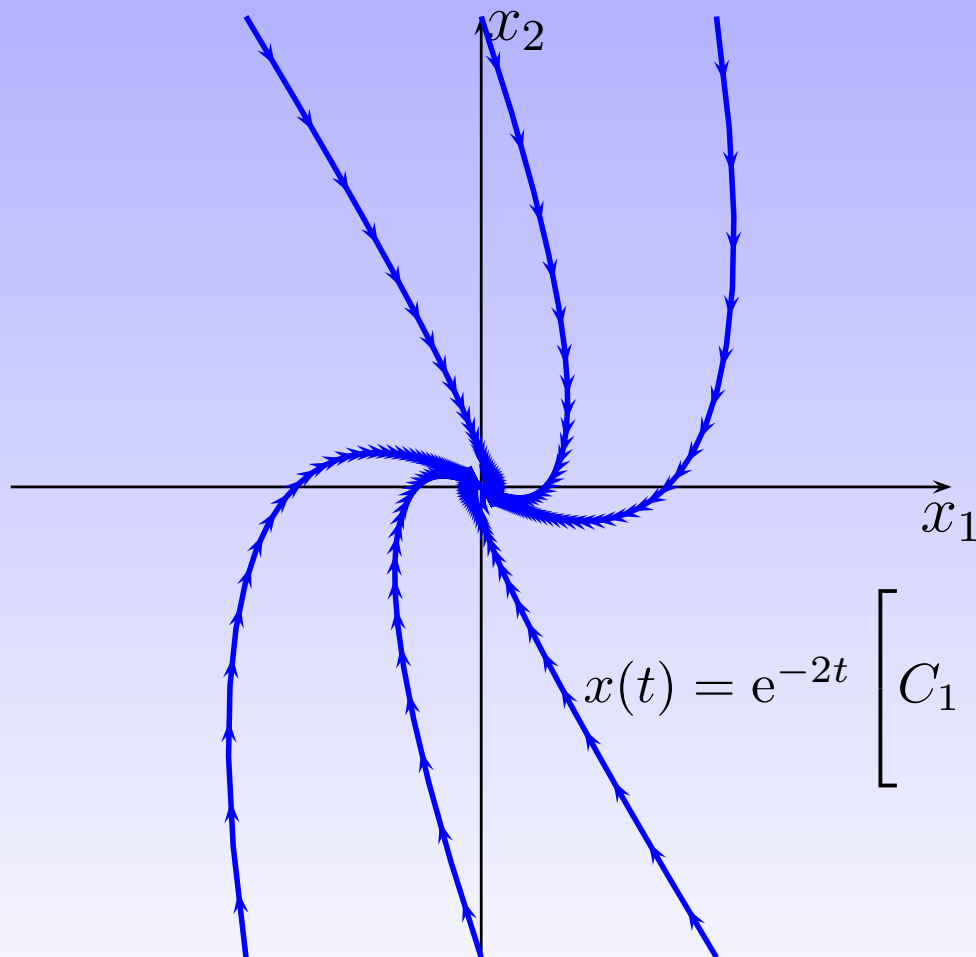
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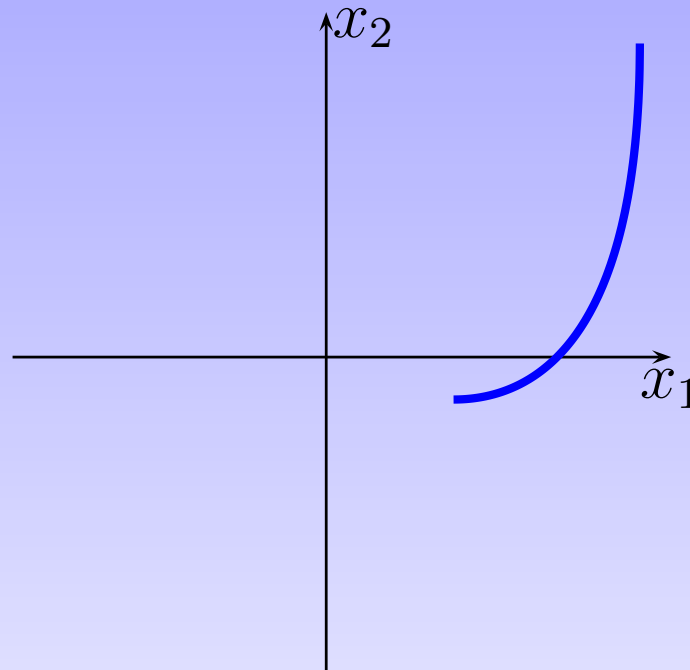


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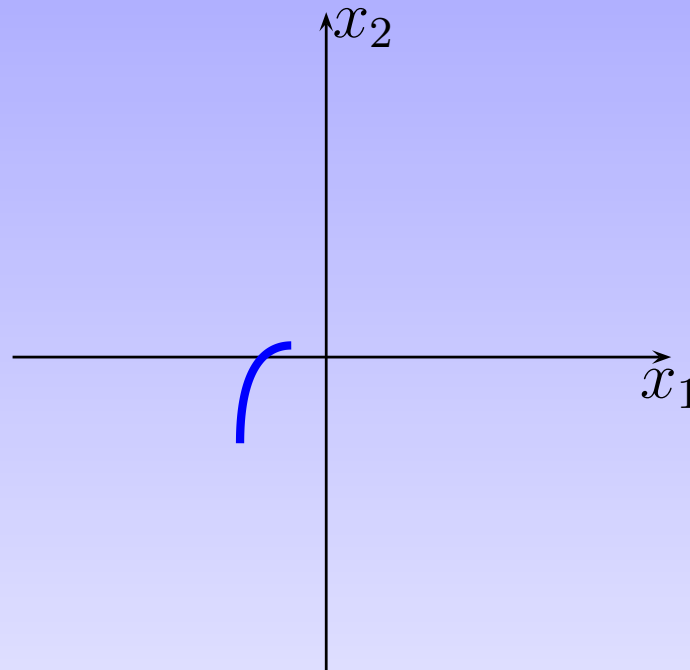
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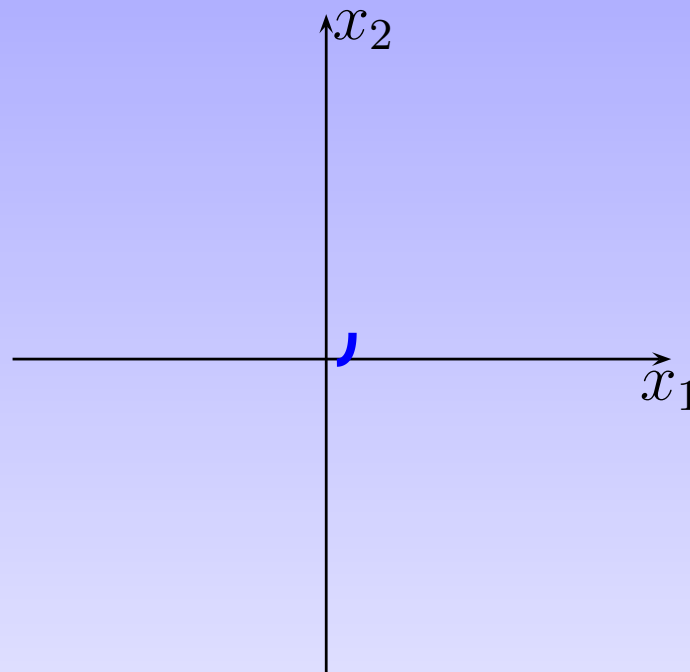
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Exponential stability

$$x^\Delta(t) = Ax(t),$$

$t \in \mathbb{T}$, $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is a constant matrix and $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

$S(\mathbb{T}) := S_{\mathbb{C}}(\mathbb{T}) \cup S_{\mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{T})$ - *set of exponential stability*

$$S_{\mathbb{C}}(\mathbb{T}) := \left\{ \lambda \in \mathbb{C} \mid \limsup_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T-t_0} \int_{t_0}^T \lim_{s \rightarrow \mu(t)} \frac{\log |1+s\lambda|}{s} \Delta t < 0 \right\}$$

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$$\left\{ \lambda \in \mathbb{C} \mid \operatorname{Re} \lambda < 0 \right\}$$

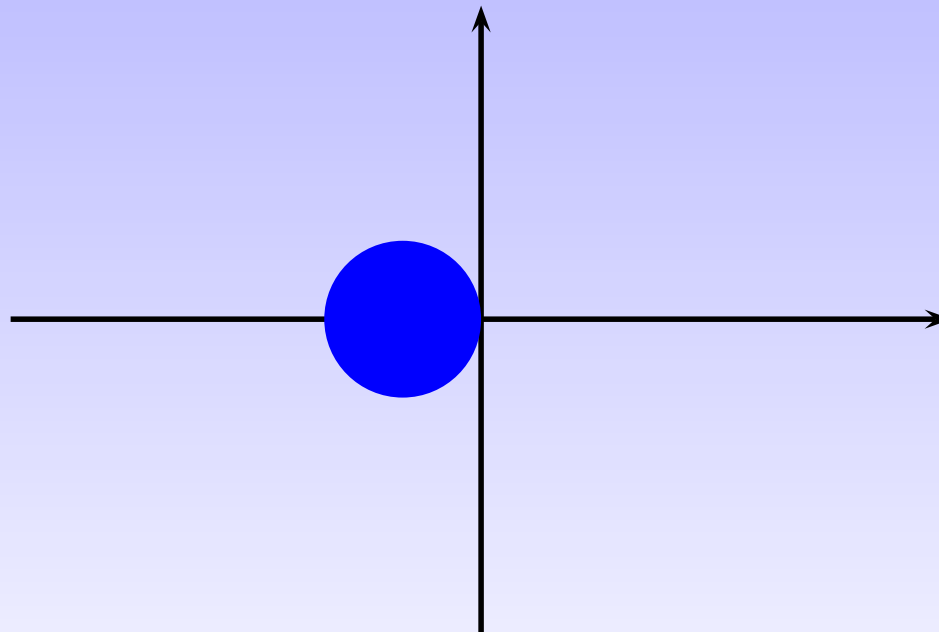
$$S_{\mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{T}) := \left\{ \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \mid \forall T \in \mathbb{T} \exists t \in \mathbb{T}, t > T : 1 + \mu(t)\lambda = 0 \right\} \subseteq (-\infty, 0)$$

The stability set in discrete- and continuous-time case

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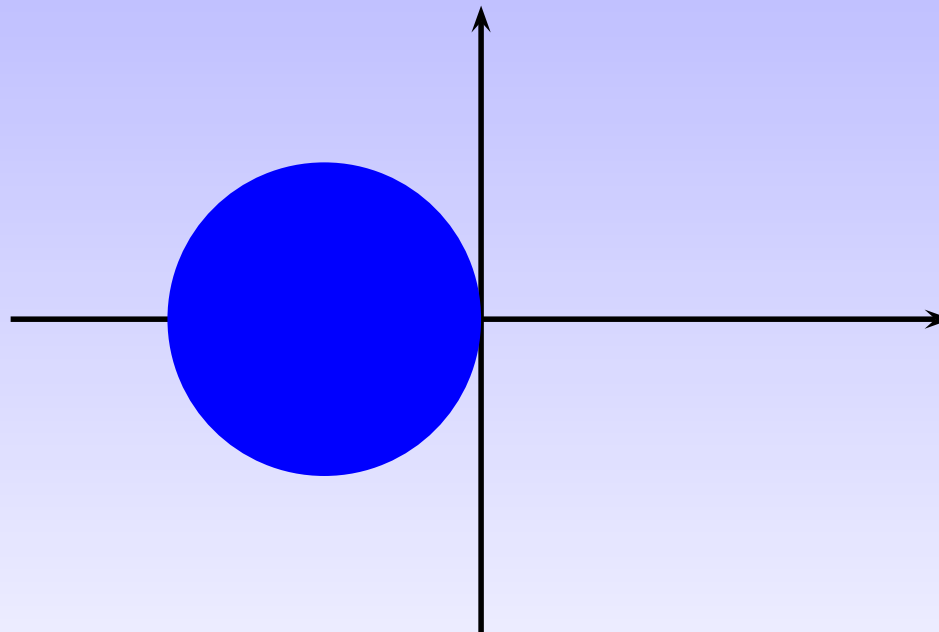


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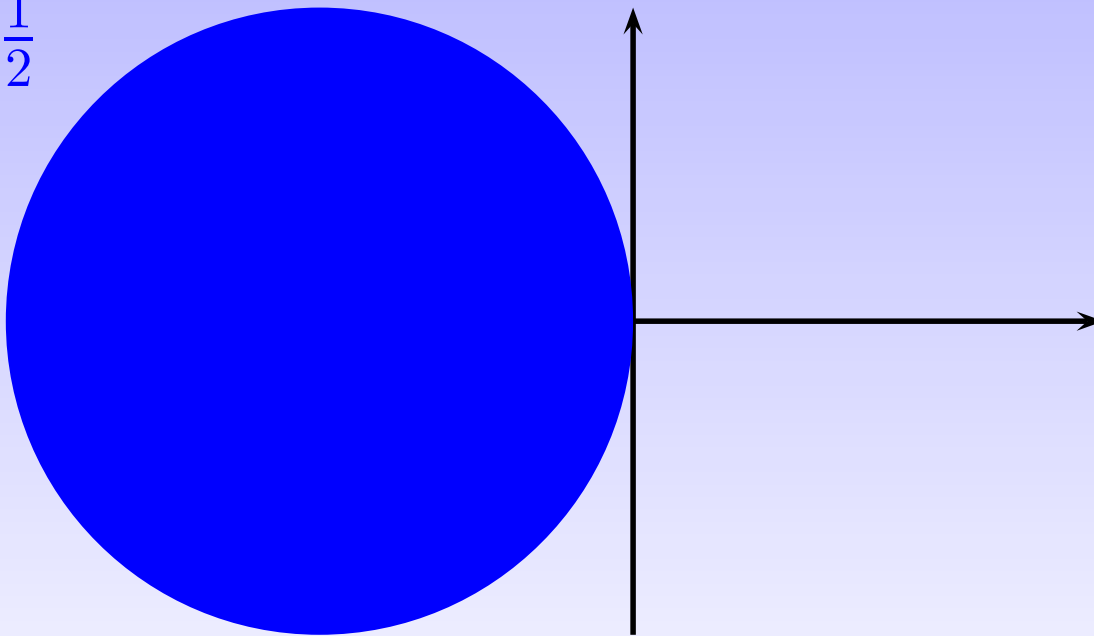


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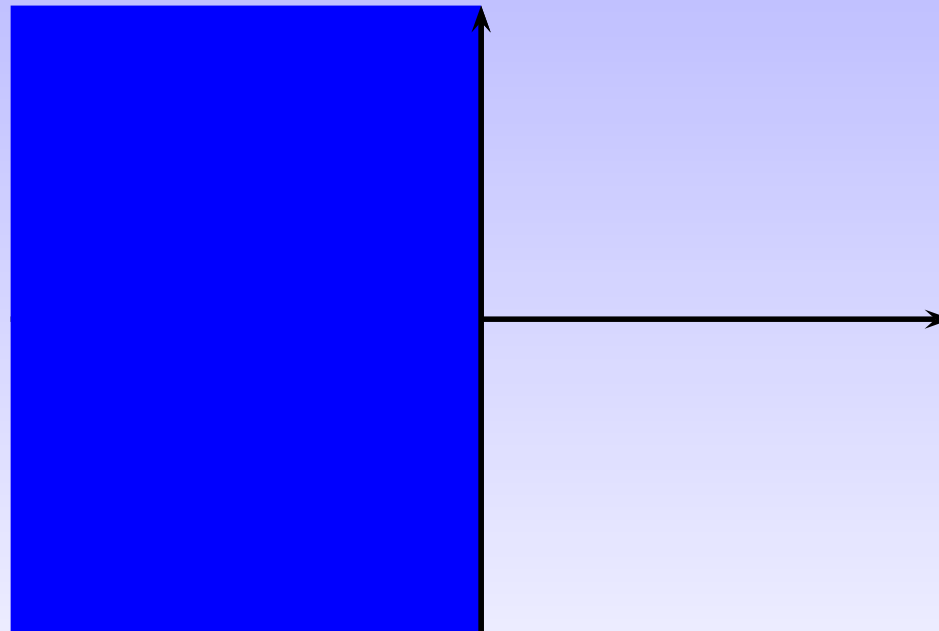


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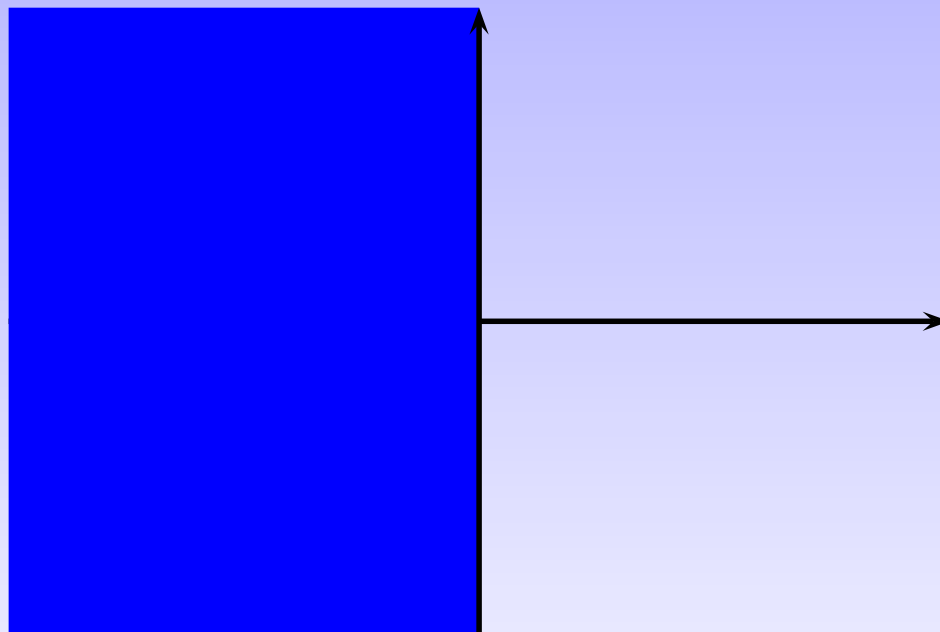
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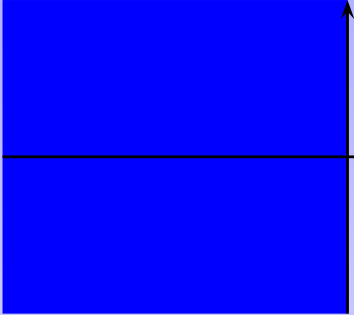
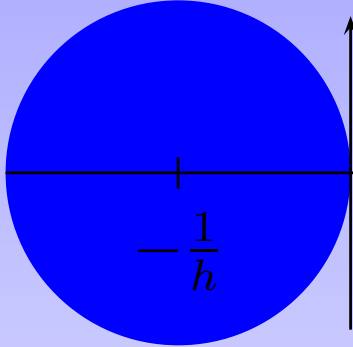
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Examples

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$S(T)$		

☞ $T = \mathbb{P}_{1,1}$ —————

$$S(T) = S_{\mathbb{C}}(\mathbb{P}_{1,1}) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Re}\lambda + \log |1 + \lambda| < 0\} \cup S_{\mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{P}_{1,1}) = \{-1\}$$

☞ $T = q^{\mathbb{N}_0} = \{1, q, q^2, \dots\}, q > 1 \Rightarrow S(T) = \emptyset$

Properties of $S(\mathbb{T})$

Let $\sigma_e(A)$ denote the set of all eigenvalues of A .

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Stabilization and Controllability

$$\Sigma : x^\Delta(t) = Ax(t) + Bu(t)$$

$$x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n, u(t) \in \mathbb{R}^m, A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$$

Σ is *stabilizable* if $\exists u(t) = Kx(t)$, $K \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$:

$x^\Delta(t) = (A + BK)x(t)$ is exponentially stable.

Σ is *controllable* if for any two states $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R}^n$

there exist $t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{T}$, $t_1 < t_2$, and a piecewise

rd-continuous control $u(t)$, $t \in [t_1, t_2] \cap \mathbb{T}$ such that

for $x_1 = x(t_1)$ one has $x(t_2) = x_2$.

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Theorem: Σ is controllable \Leftrightarrow

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Higher order delta derivatives

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$f^{[n]}$ is the n -th order delta derivative of f .

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Then for a function $f : h\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ we have

$$f(t + nh) = f^{\sigma^n}(t) = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} h^k f^{[k]}(t).$$

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Example of delta derivatives

Let $q > 1$ and $\mathbb{T} = \overline{q^{\mathbb{Z}}} = \{q^k \mid k \in \mathbb{Z}\} \cup \{0\}$. Then

$$\sigma(t) = q \cdot t \quad \text{and} \quad \mu(t) = (q - 1)t,$$

for all $t \in \mathbb{T}$.

For a function $f : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ we have

$$f^{\Delta}(t) = \frac{f(qt) - f(t)}{(q - 1)t}, \quad \text{for all } t \in \mathbb{T} \setminus \{0\}$$

and

$$f^{\Delta}(0) = \lim_{s \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(s) - f(0)}{s},$$

provided this limit exists.

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Input-output equations

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Field of meromorphic functions

Let \mathcal{K} be the field of meromorphic functions in a finite number of variables from the following set

$$\mathcal{C} = \left\{ y^{[i]}, i = 0, \dots, n - 1, u^{[k]}, k \geq 0 \right\}.$$

Irreducibility problem

$\varphi_r \in \mathcal{K}$ is said to be *autonomous element* for

$$\Sigma : y^{[n]} = \phi \left(y, y^{[1]}, \dots, y^{[n-1]}, y, u^{[1]}, \dots, u^{[s]} \right),$$

if $\exists \nu \geq 1$ and a non-zero analytic function F :

$$F \left(\varphi_r, \varphi_r^\Delta, \dots, \varphi_r^{[\nu]} \right) = 0.$$

Σ is called *irreducible* if there does not exist any non-zero autonomous element for it in \mathcal{K} .

Otherwise Σ is *reducible*.

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Space of one-forms

Define

$$\mathcal{E} := \text{span}_{\mathcal{K}} \left\{ dy^{[i]}, i = 0, \dots, n-1, du^{[\ell]}, \ell \geq 0 \right\}.$$

The elements of \mathcal{E} are called *one-forms*.

If $\omega \in \mathcal{E}$, then

$$\omega = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} A_i dy^{[i]} + \sum_{\ell \geq 0} B_\ell du^{[\ell]}.$$

Operators Δ and σ on \mathcal{E}

The operators $\Delta : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$ and $\sigma : \mathcal{K} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$ induce operators $\Delta : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$ and $\sigma : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow \mathcal{E}$ by

$$\Delta \left(\sum_i \alpha_i d\zeta_i \right) := \sum_i \left\{ \alpha_i^\Delta d\zeta_i + \alpha_i^\sigma d[\zeta_i^\Delta] \right\},$$

$$\sigma \left(\sum_i \alpha_i d\zeta_i \right) := \sum_i \alpha_i^\sigma d[\zeta_i^\sigma],$$

where

$$\alpha_i \in \mathcal{K} \text{ and } \zeta_i \in \mathcal{C} = \{y, \dots, y^{[n-1]}, u^{[k]} : k \geq 0\}.$$

The subspaces of one-forms

Introduce the sequence of subspaces

$$\mathcal{H}_1 \supset \cdots \supset \mathcal{H}_{k-1} \supset \mathcal{H}_k = \mathcal{H}_{k+1} = \cdots =: \mathcal{H}_\infty .$$

of \mathcal{E} defined by

$$\mathcal{H}_1 = \text{span}_{\mathcal{K}} \left\{ dy^{[i]}, du^{[j]}, i = 0, \dots, n-1, j = 0, \dots, s \right\} ,$$

$$\mathcal{H}_k = \text{span}_{\mathcal{K}} \left\{ \omega \in \mathcal{H}_{k-1} \mid \omega^\Delta \in \mathcal{H}_{k-1} \right\} , \quad k \geq 2 .$$

Realizability condition

Theorem: The nonlinear system Σ described by i/o delta differential equation on homogeneous time scales \mathbb{T}

$$\Sigma : y^{[n]} = \Phi \left(y, y^\Delta, \dots, y^{[n-1]}, u, u^\Delta, \dots, u^{[s]} \right),$$

has an observable state-space realization of the form

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Sigma} : x^\Delta &= f(x, u) \\ y &= h(x), \end{aligned}$$

if and only if the subspaces \mathcal{H}_k are completely integrable, for $1 \leq k \leq s + 2$.

Irreducibility condition

Theorem:

$$\Sigma : y^{[n]} = \Phi \left(y, y^\Delta, \dots, y^{[n-1]}, u, u^\Delta, \dots, u^{[s]} \right),$$

is irreducible if and only if $\mathcal{H}_\infty = \{0\}$.

Example

Consider the i/o delta-differential equation on homogeneous time scale \mathbb{T}

$$\Sigma : y^{[2]} = \frac{u^\Delta y^\Delta}{u} + uy^2 + \mu u^\Delta y^2.$$

Then

$$\mathcal{H}_1 = \text{span}_{\mathcal{K}}\{dy, dy^\Delta, du, du^\Delta\}$$

and

$$\mathcal{H}_2 = \text{span}_{\mathcal{K}}\{dy, dy^\Delta, du\}.$$

Since $dy^\Delta \in \mathcal{H}_2$,

$$dy \in \mathcal{H}_3.$$

However, note that $du^\Delta \notin \mathcal{H}_2$ and

$$\begin{aligned} dy^{[2]} = & (2uy + 2\mu u^\Delta y) dy + \left(y^2 - \frac{u^\Delta y^\Delta}{u^2} \right) du + \\ & + \frac{u^\Delta}{u} dy^\Delta + \left(\frac{y^\Delta}{u} + \mu y^2 \right) du^\Delta \notin \mathcal{H}_2, \end{aligned}$$

SO

$$du, dy^\Delta \notin \mathcal{H}_3.$$

One can check that $udy^\Delta - y^\Delta du \in \mathcal{H}_3$.

Therefore

$$\mathcal{H}_3 = \text{span}_{\mathcal{K}}\{dy, udy^\Delta - y^\Delta du\}$$

and \mathcal{H}_3 is integrable.

One-form $udy^\Delta - y^\Delta du$ can be made exact by multiplying with integrating factor $\frac{1}{u^2}$.

Then

$$\frac{1}{u}dy^\Delta - \frac{y^\Delta}{u^2}du = d\left[\frac{y^\Delta}{u}\right].$$

The state coordinates can be chosen as follows

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 &= y \\x_2 &= \frac{y^\Delta}{u}\end{aligned}$$

In these coordinates the system has the classical state space form

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\Sigma} : \quad x_1^\Delta &= x_2 u \\x_2^\Delta &= x_1^2 \\y &= x_1.\end{aligned}$$

Moreover

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$$\text{where } \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y^{[i]}} \in \mathcal{K}, \quad \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial u^{[j]}} \in \mathcal{K}.$$

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Then

$$\Sigma : \quad p(\partial)dy = q(\partial)du.$$

Since $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y^{[i]}}$, $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial u^{[j]}} \in \mathcal{K}$, $p(\partial)$ and $q(\partial)$ are elements of the ring of left differential polynomials $\mathcal{K}[\partial; \sigma, \Delta]$, where

$$\partial \cdot A := A^\sigma \cdot \partial + A^\Delta,$$

for $A \in \mathcal{K}$.

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Applying the Euclidean division algorithm, we get

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So $q(\partial) = y^\sigma \partial + y^\Delta + y$ is the greatest common left divisor of $p(\partial) = \partial^2 + (1 - u^\sigma)\partial - u^\Delta - u$ and $q(\partial)$.

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Conclusions

-  Time scale seems to be a perfect language to unify the continuous and the discrete.
-  The time scale calculus and some control problems.
-  Application of time scales in another branch of the science.
-  <http://web.ecs.baylor.edu/faculty/marks/Research/TimeScales/index.htm>

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