



THE SUM-of-SQUARES PROBLEM and DISSIPATIVE SYSTEMS

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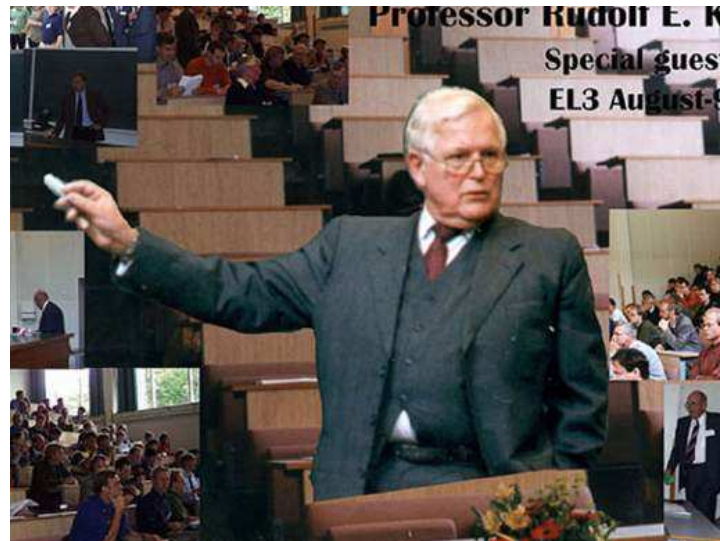
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Outline

- **Systems**
- **Dissipative systems**
- **The storage and the flux**
- **PDE's and QDF's**
- **The SOS problem**

Motto

1. Get the physics right
2. The rest is mathematics



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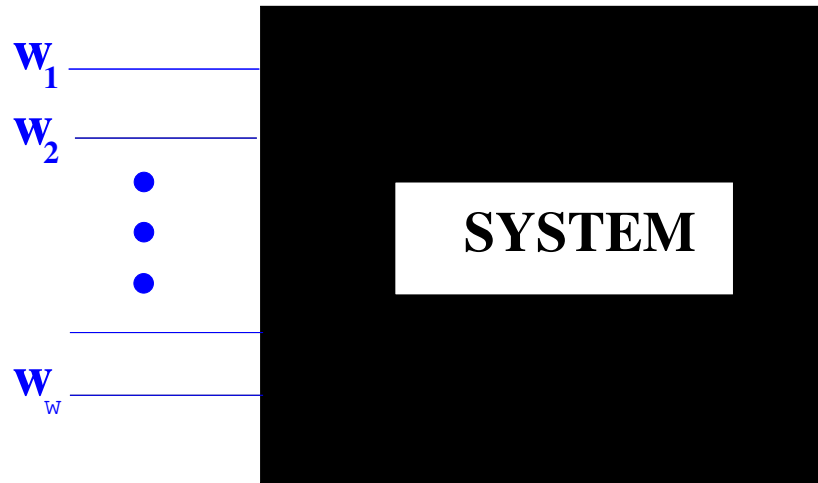
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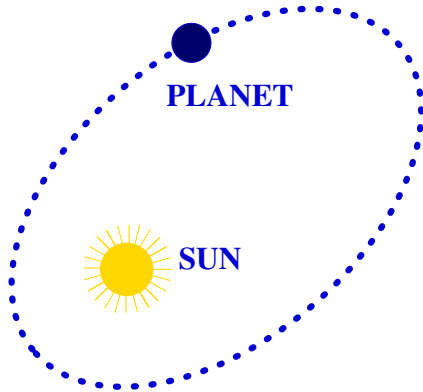
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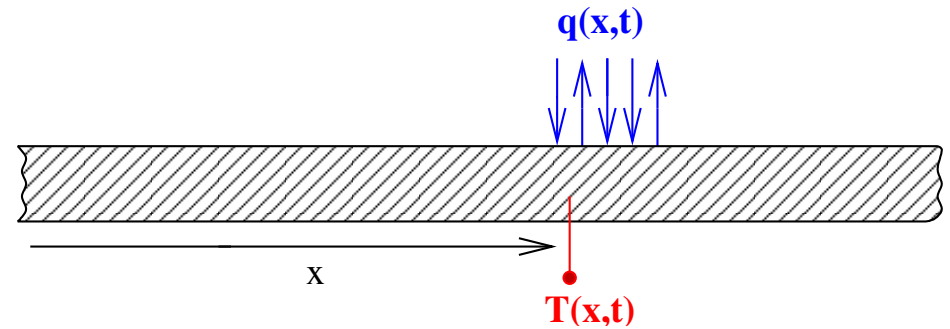


$T = \mathbb{R}$, $W = \mathbb{R}^3$, $\mathcal{B} = \text{all } \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 \text{ satisfying } \mathbf{K.1, K.2, and K.3}$



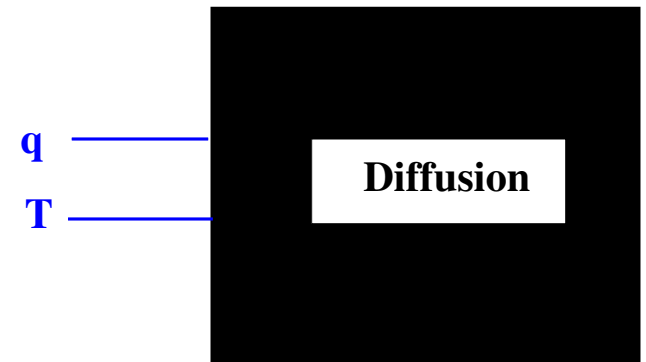
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Heat diffusion



$\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{R}^2(x \text{ and } t)$, $\mathbb{W} = \mathbb{R}^2(q \text{ and } T)$, \mathfrak{B} sol'ns of the PDE

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + q$$



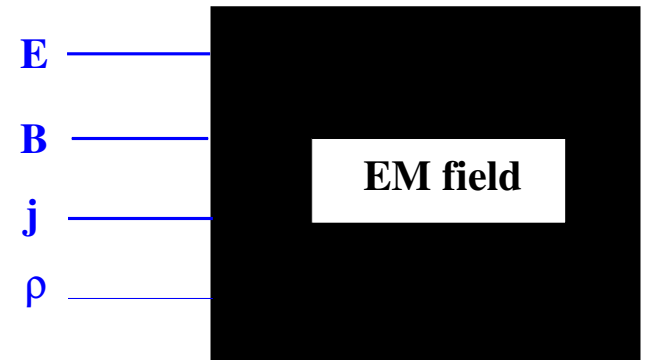
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Maxwell's equations



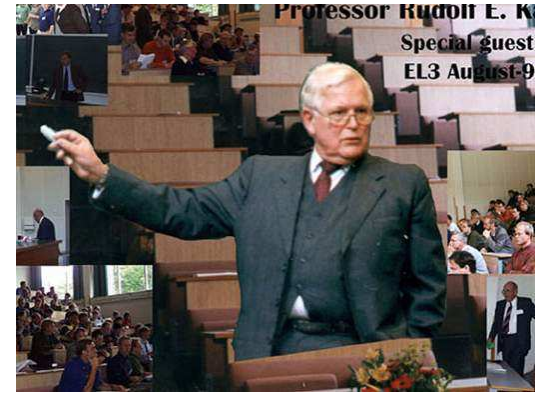
$$\begin{aligned}\nabla \cdot \vec{E} &= \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \rho, \\ \nabla \times \vec{E} &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{B}, \\ \nabla \cdot \vec{B} &= 0, \\ c^2 \nabla \times \vec{B} &= \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \vec{j} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{E}.\end{aligned}$$

$\mathbb{T} = \mathbb{R}^4$ (time and space) ,
 $\mathbb{W} = \mathbb{R}^{10}$ (\vec{E} , \vec{B} , \vec{j} and ρ),
 $\mathfrak{B} = \text{sol'ns of ME's}$



Examples

Linear systems



$$\frac{d}{dt}x = Ax + Bu, y = Cx + Bu, w = (u, y)$$

$T = \mathbb{R}$ (**time**), $W = \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^p$ **inputs and outputs**),

$\mathcal{B} = (u, y) : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^p : \exists x : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \dots$



Properties

Linearity

Examples: ME, linear systems, diffusion.

Shift-invariance

Examples: Kepler, diffusion, ME, linear systems.

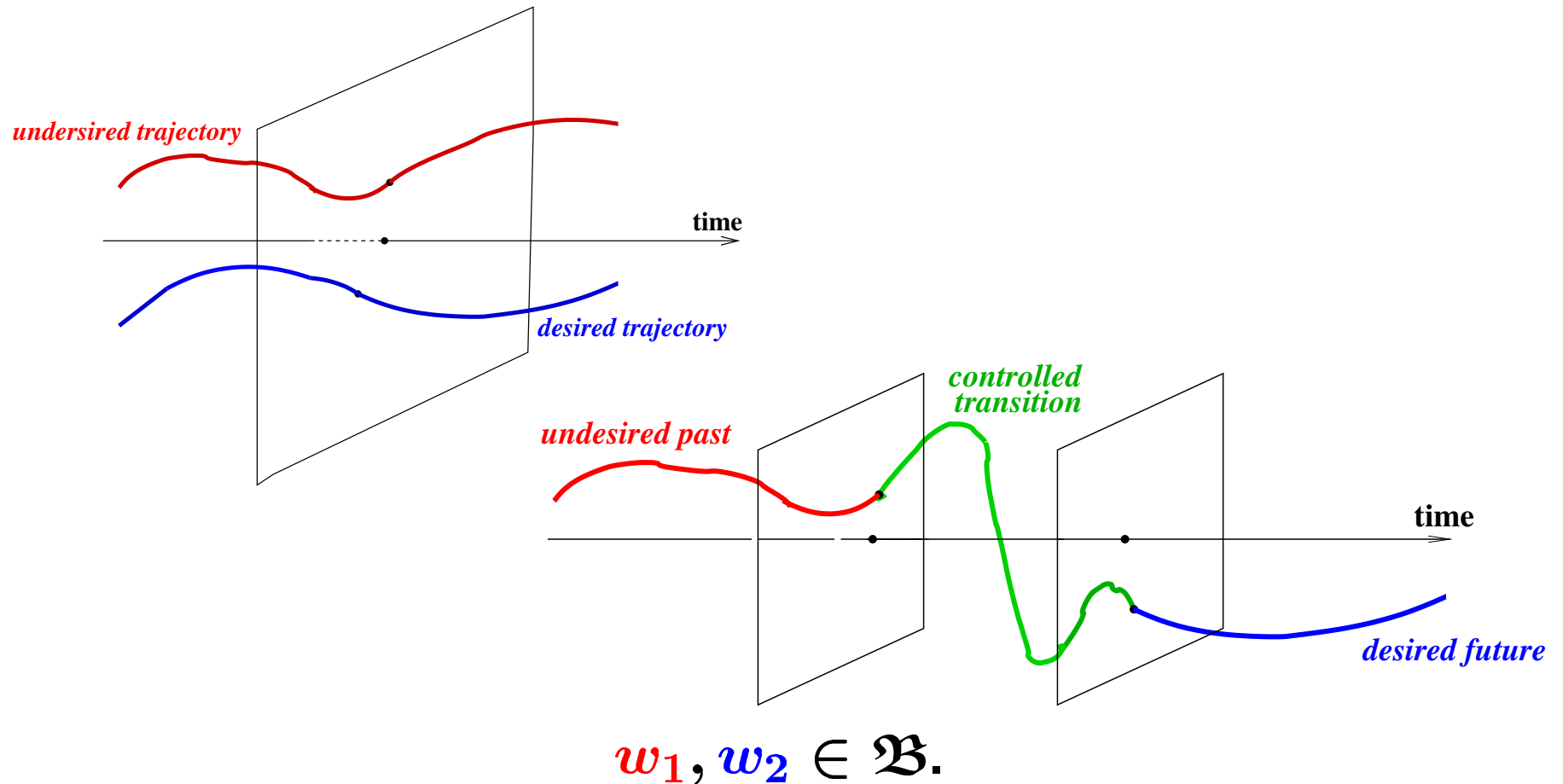
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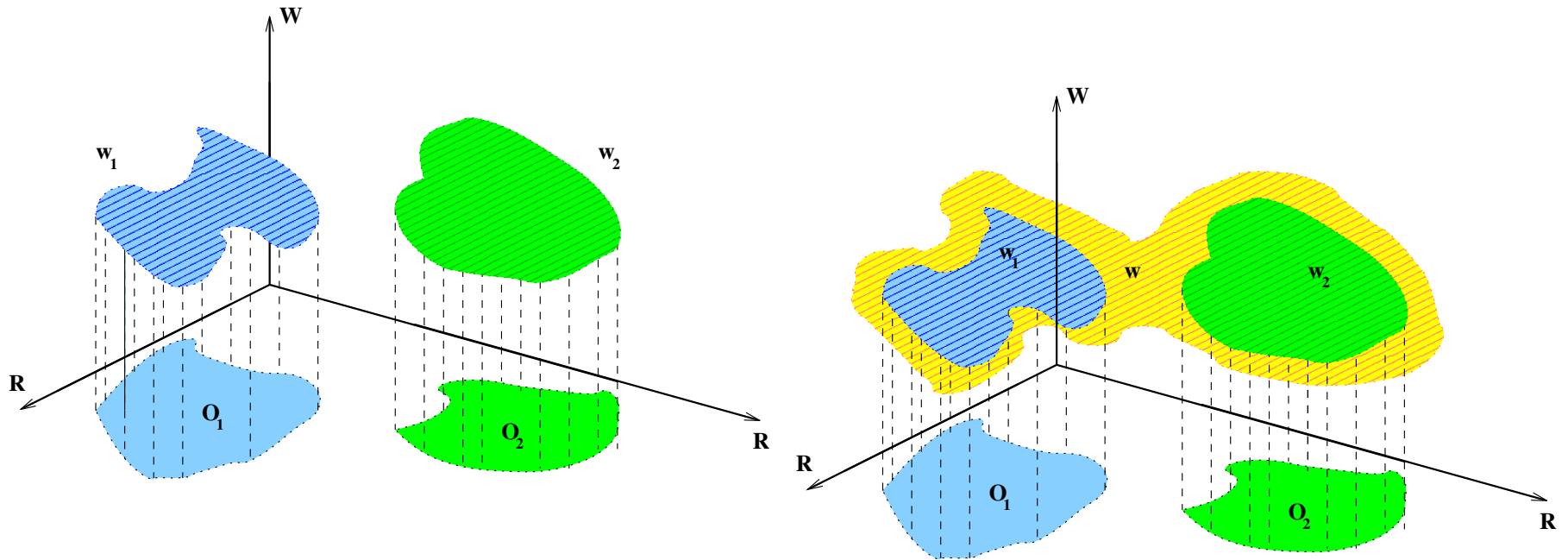


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w 'patches' $w_1, w_2 \in \mathcal{B}$.

$\forall w_1, w_2 \in \mathcal{B} \exists w \in \mathcal{B} : \text{Controllability} \Leftrightarrow \text{'patchability'}$.

Properties

Controllability

Controllability is a typical property of **open** systems.

Open: some variables are left 'free'.

Open systems interact with their environment.

In contrast with **closed, autonomous** systems.

\cong 'Initial conditions' specify the trajectory uniquely.

Examples:

Kepler: closed, not controllable; QM: idem; flows: idem

diffusion: controllable

ME: controllable

$\frac{d}{dt}x = Ax + Bu$: well-known conditions

Controllability is assumed where needed. For controllable systems, the compact support or periodic trajectories are 'representative' of the whole behavior.

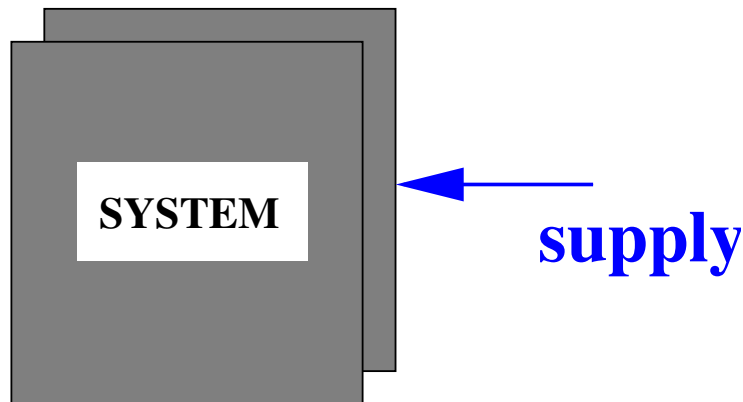
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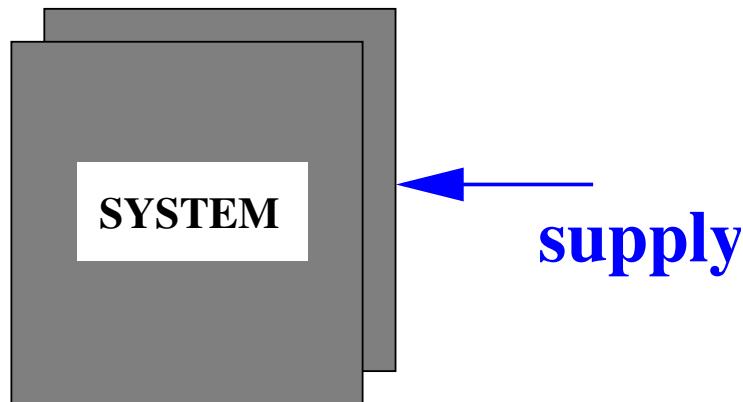
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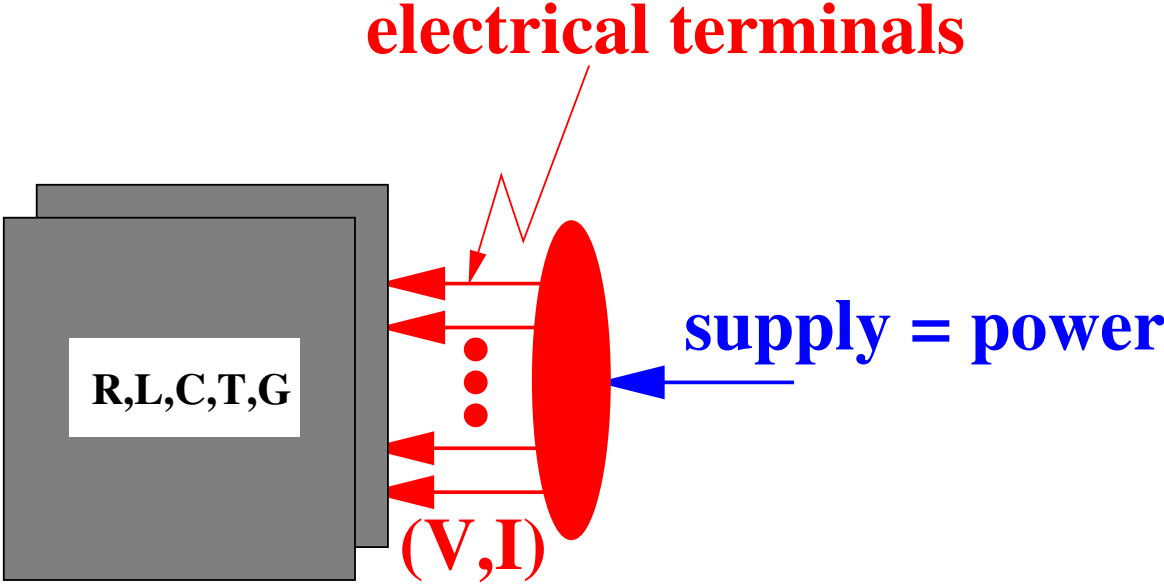


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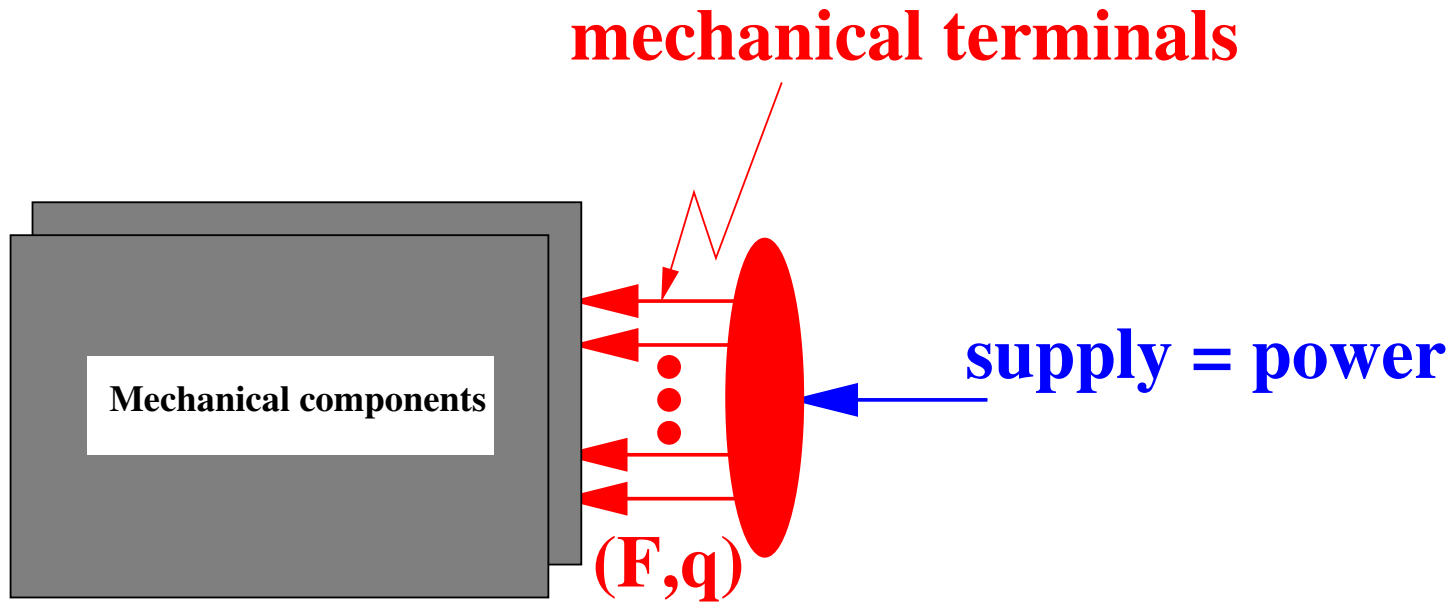
Dissipativity interesting, relevant, for **open** systems ...

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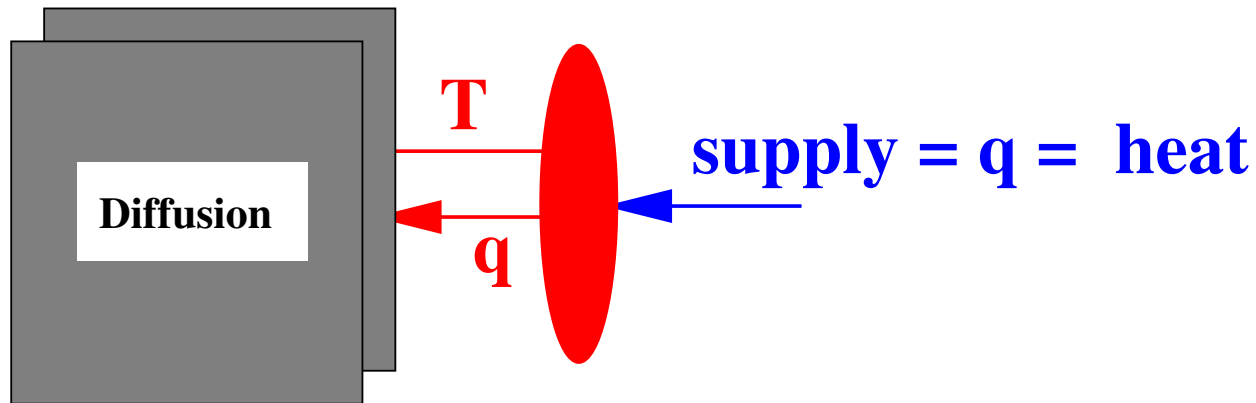
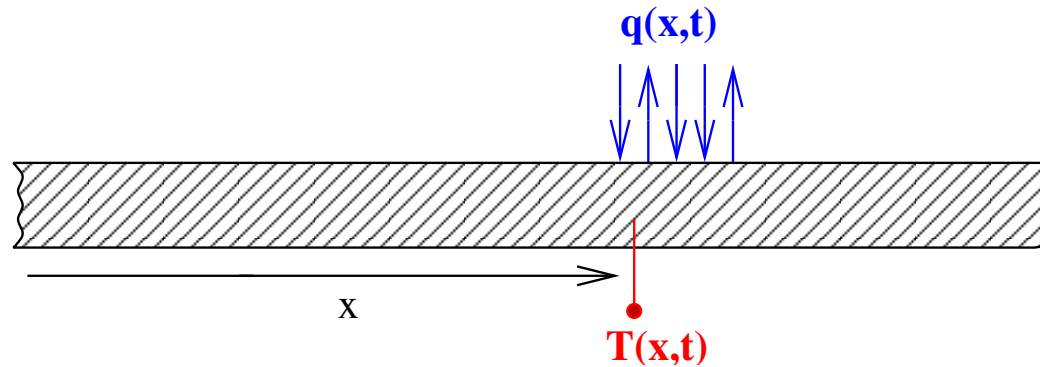
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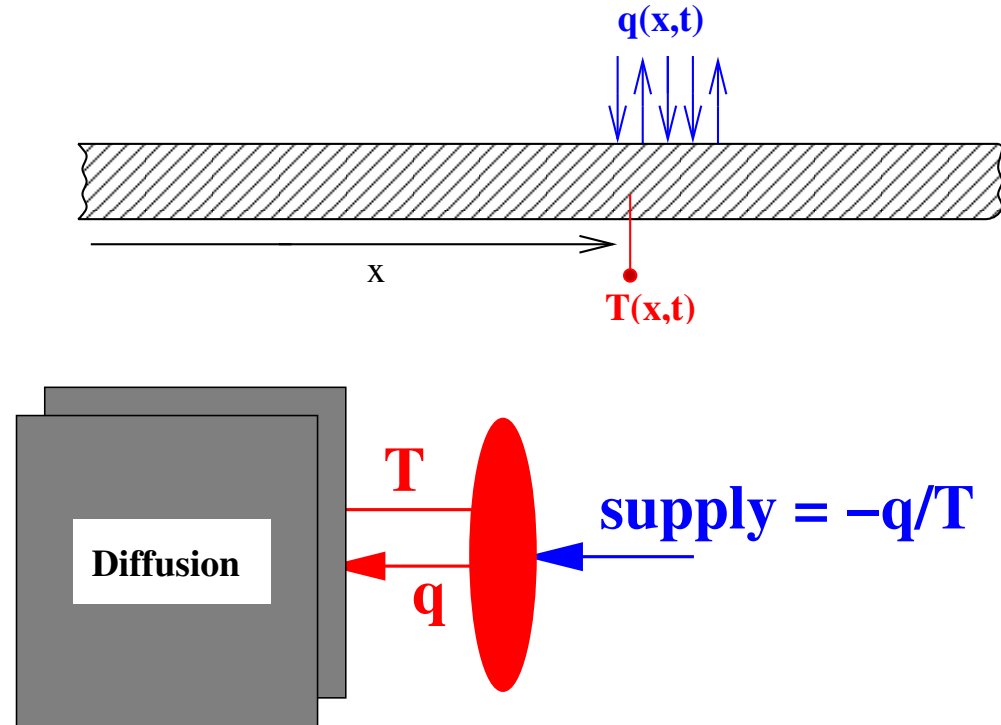
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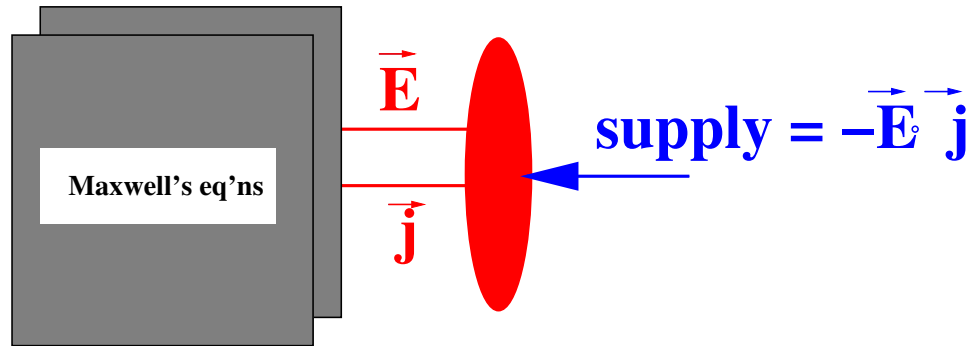
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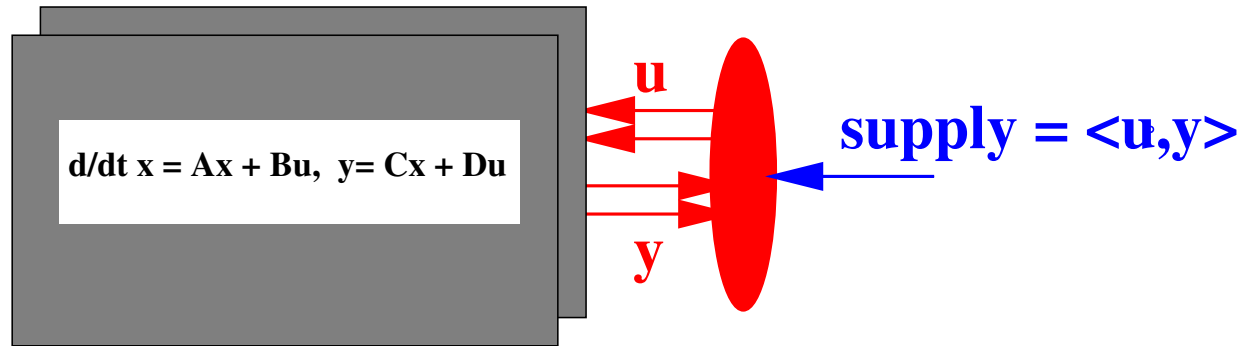
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$$V(t_1) \leq V(t_0) + \int_{t_0}^{t_1} w(t) dt \quad \forall t_0, t_1 \in \mathbb{R}, t_0 \leq t_1$$

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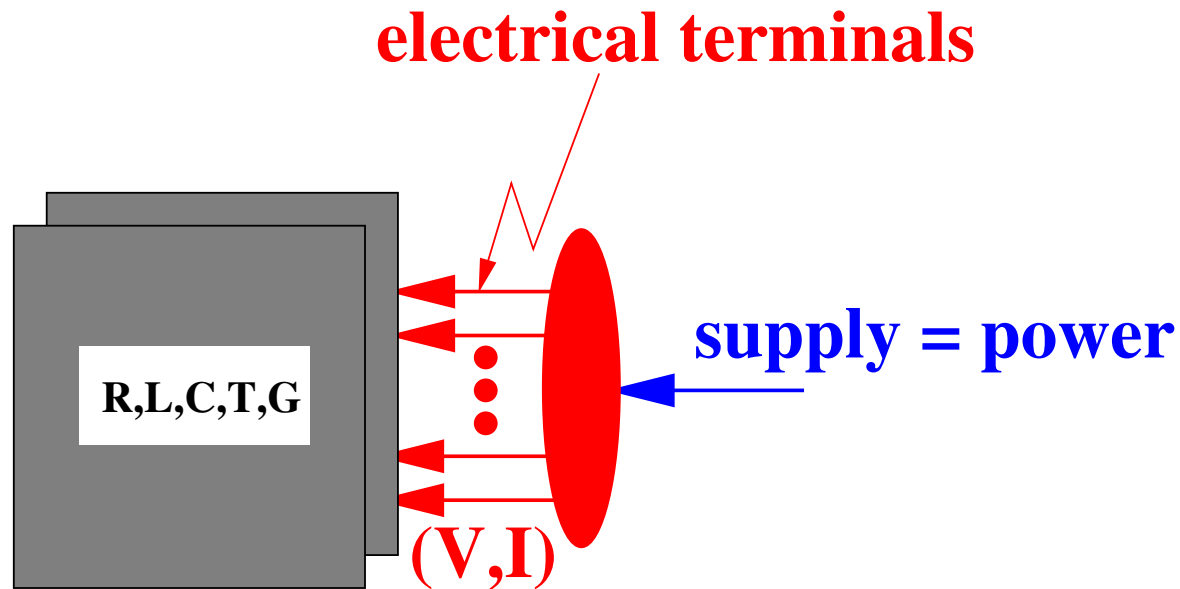
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- Given a dissipative system $\Sigma = (\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}, \mathfrak{B})$, construct a storage function.
- Is the storage function unique?
- The set of storage functions is obviously convex.
- Does it has an upper/lower bound?

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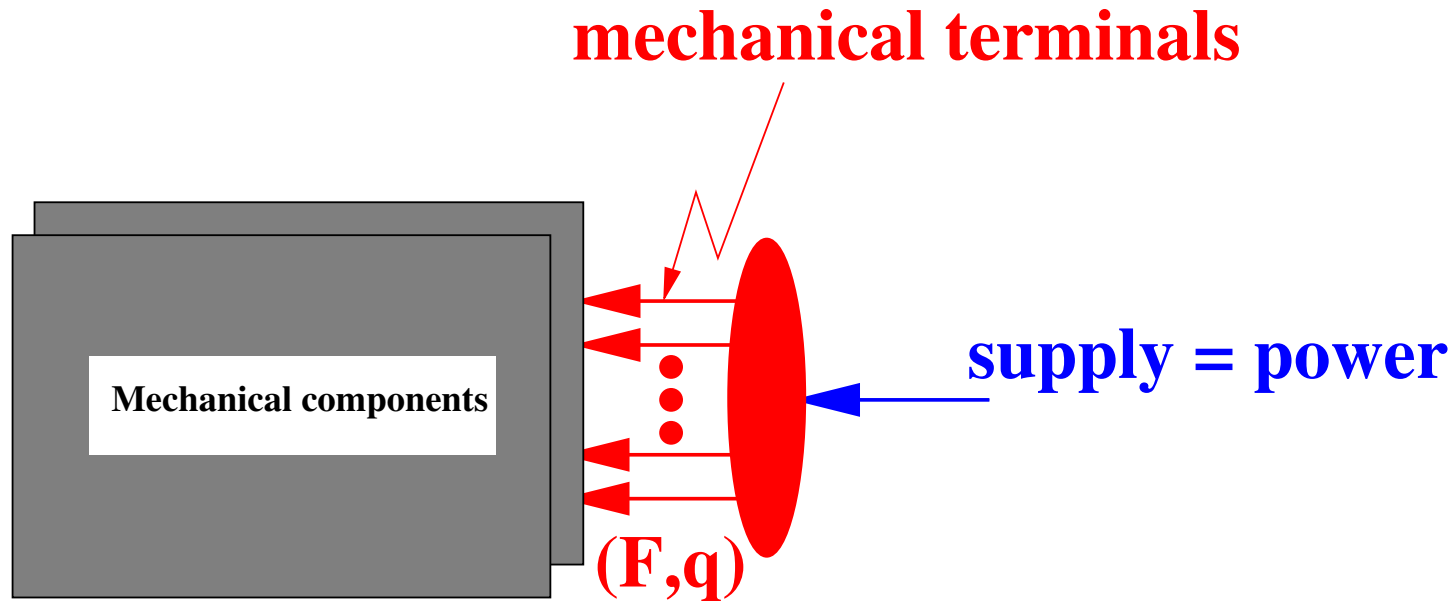
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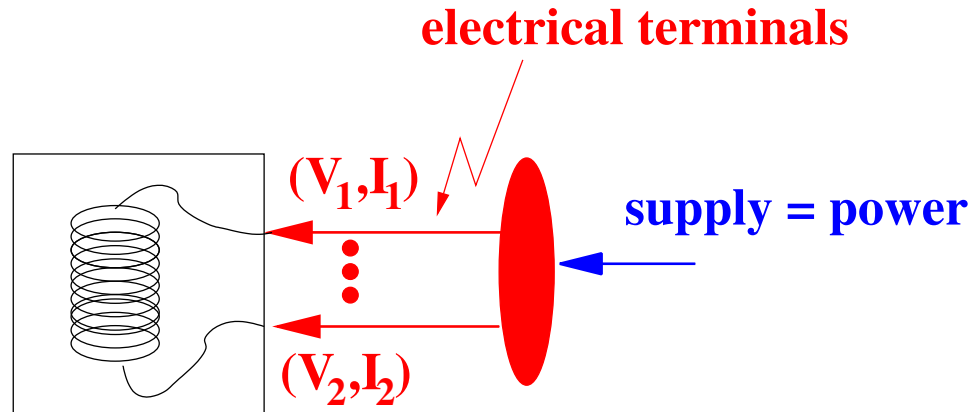
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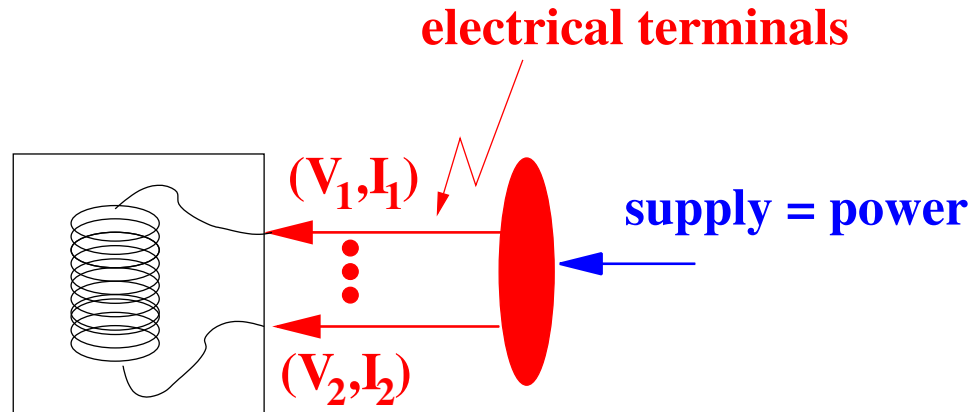
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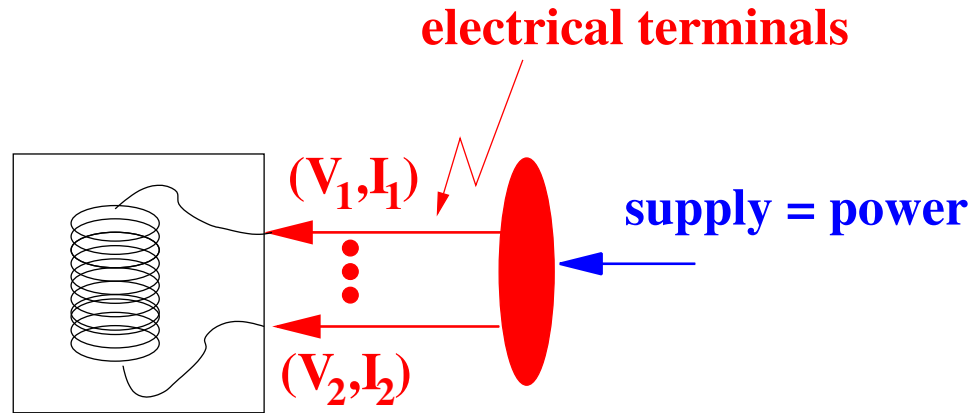
$$I_1 + I_2 = 0, L \frac{d}{dt} I_1 = V_1 - V_2$$

$$\text{power} = V_1 I_1 + V_2 I_2 \rightsquigarrow \frac{d}{dt} \frac{1}{2} L I_1^2 = \text{power}$$

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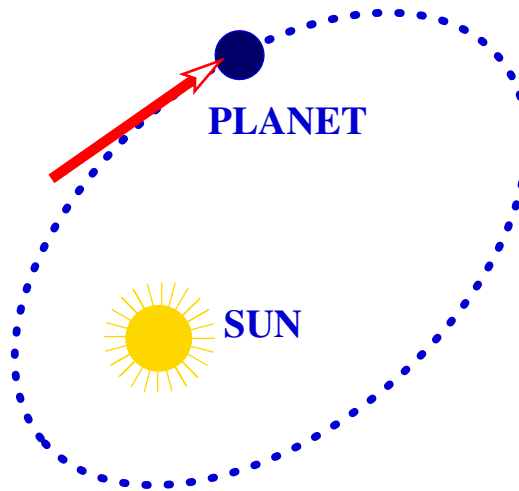
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Is this reasonable? It appears not! But, the answer must lie in electricity, not in physics!

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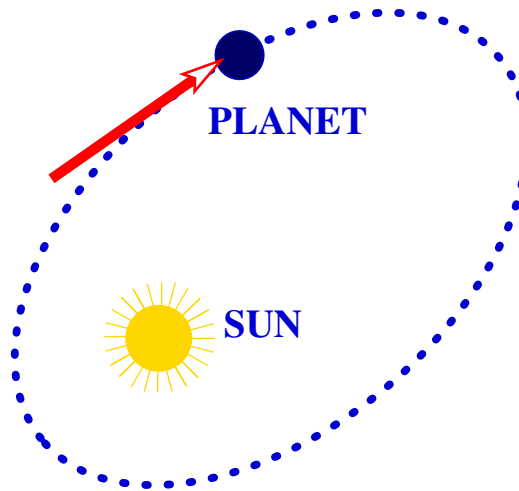
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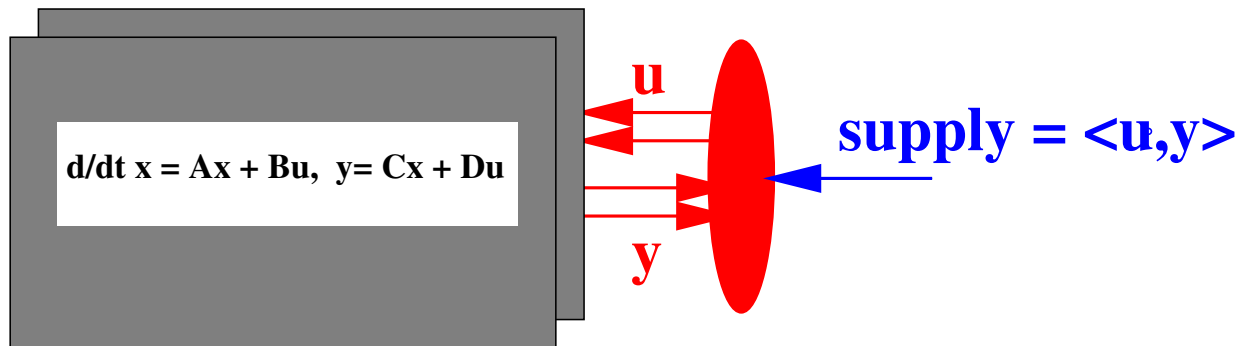
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but the energy $\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{d}{dt}q \right)^2 - \frac{1}{q}$ is NOT bounded from below.

Also physics says this is passive!!

Examples



$G :=$ transfer f'n, $G(s) = D + C(Is - A)^{-1}B$. Equivalent:

1. Dissipative

2. $G(i\omega) + G^T(-i\omega) \geq 0 \quad \forall \omega \in \mathbb{R}$

3. $\exists Q = Q^T : \frac{d}{dt} x^T Q x \leq y^T u$

4. ...

\rightsquigarrow KYP-lemma, AREineq., ARE, LMI's, ...

Probably the most used circle of ideas in control!

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$\forall x, y, z, t \in \mathbb{R}$. Generally:

$$\nabla \cdot V \leq w$$

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$$\forall x, y, z, t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Implies, under reasonable conditions, that Σ is dissipative.

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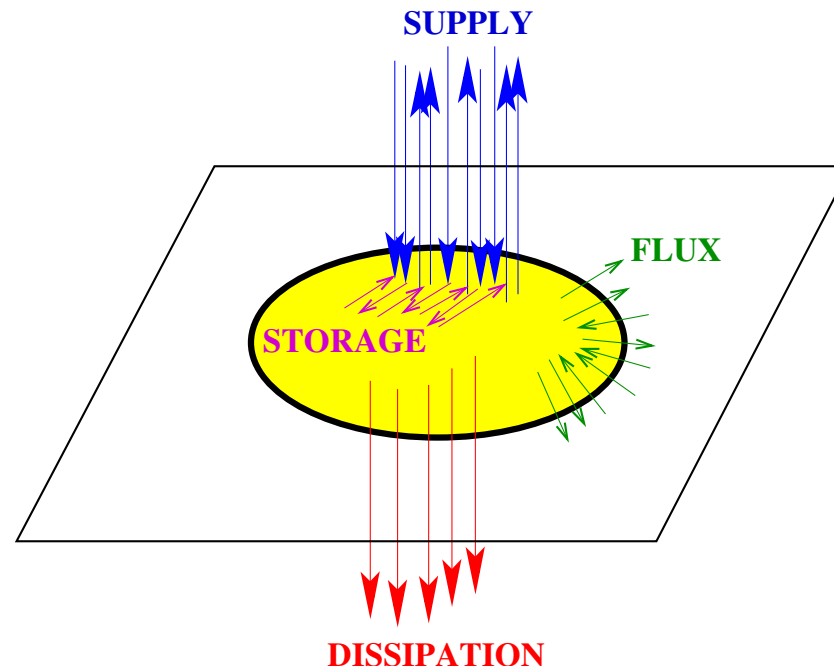
Can this be reinterpreted as:

As the system evolves, **some of the supply is locally stored, some locally dissipated, and some redistributed over space?**

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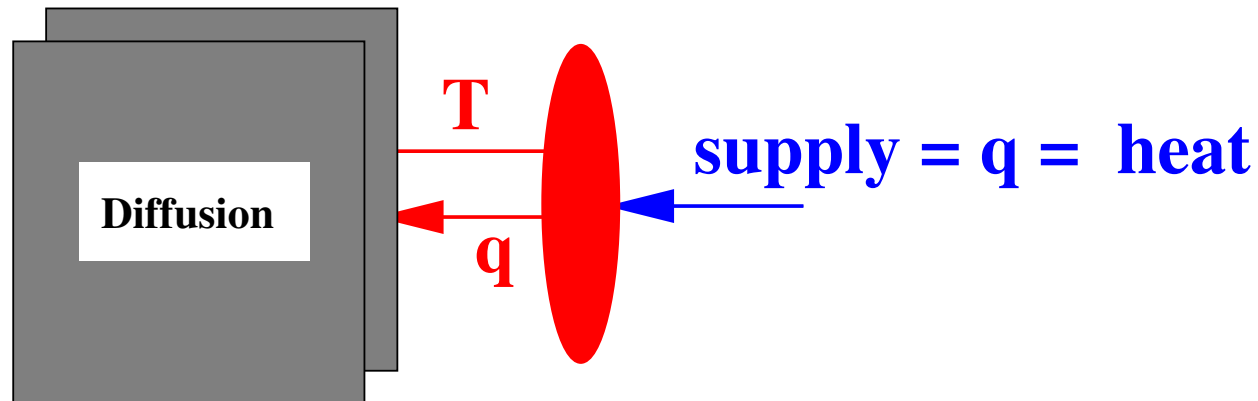
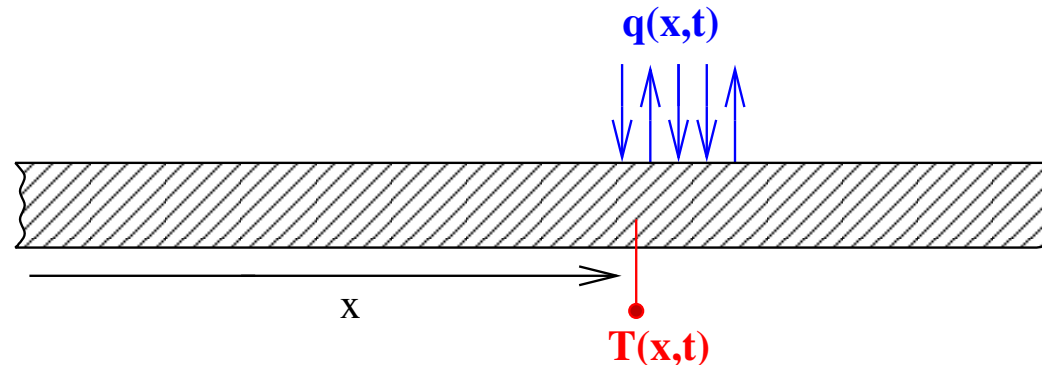
!! Invent **storage and flux**, locally defined in time and space, such that in every spatial domain there holds:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \text{Storage} + \text{Spatial flux} \leq \text{Supply.}$$



Supply = partly stored + partly radiated + partly dissipated.

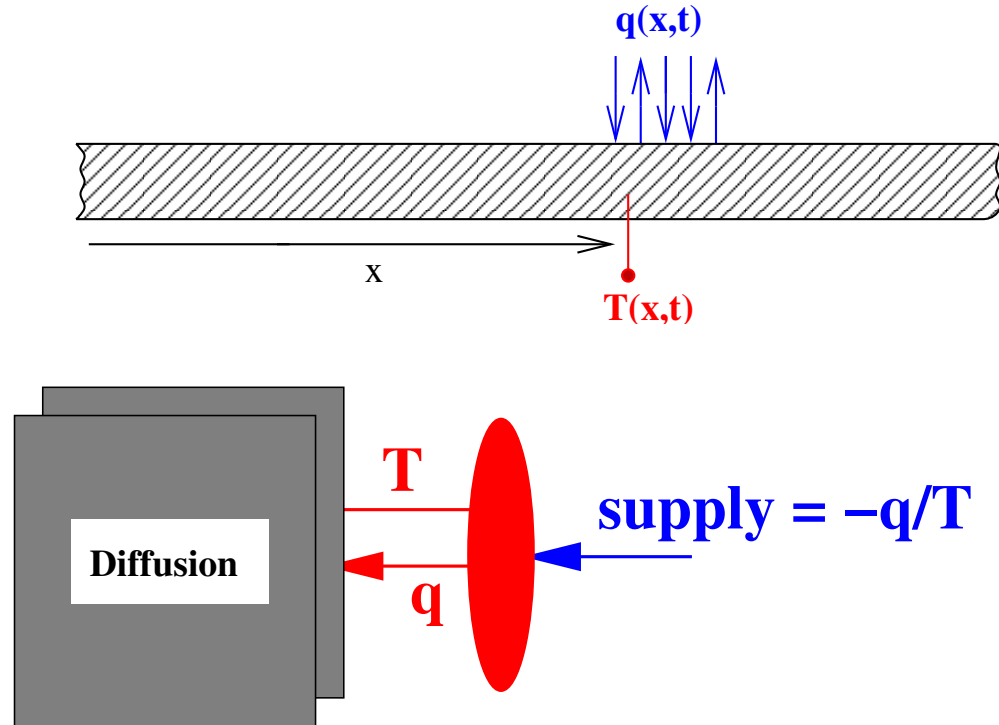
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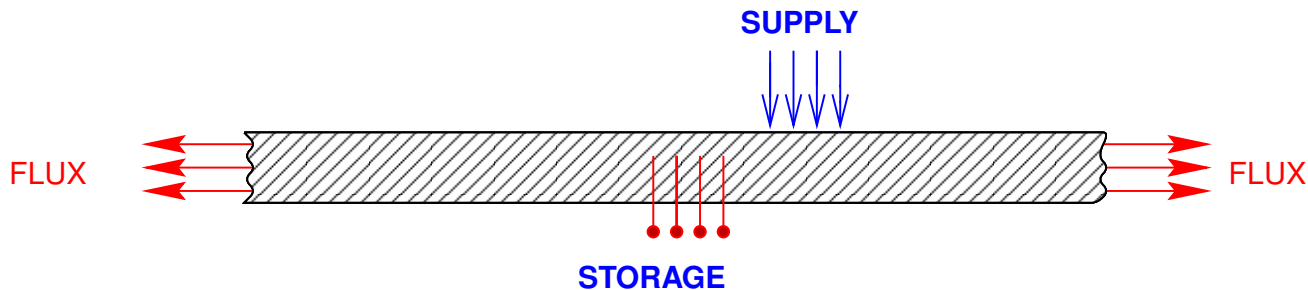


Dissipative. \Leftrightarrow for compact support q :

$$\iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{q(x, t)}{T(x, t)} dx dt \leq 0$$

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Can these 'global' versions be expressed as 'local' laws?



$$\text{rate of change in storage} + \text{spatial flux} \leq \text{supply rate}$$

To be invented:

an 'extensive' quantity for the first law: **internal energy**

an 'extensive' quantity for the second law: **entropy**

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Define the following variables:

$$E = T \quad : \text{ the stored energy density,}$$

$$S = \ln(T) \quad : \text{ the entropy density,}$$

$$F_E = - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} T \quad : \text{ the energy flux,}$$

$$F_S = - \frac{1}{T} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} T \quad : \text{ the entropy flux,}$$

$$D_S = \left(\frac{1}{T} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} T \right)^2 \quad : \text{ the rate of entropy production.}$$

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Local versions of the first and second law:

rate of change in storage + spatial flux \leq supply rate

Conservation of energy:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} E + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} F_E = q,$$

Entropy production:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} S + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} F_S = \frac{q}{T} + D_S. \quad \text{Since } (D_S \geq 0) \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} S + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} F_S \geq \frac{q}{T}.$$

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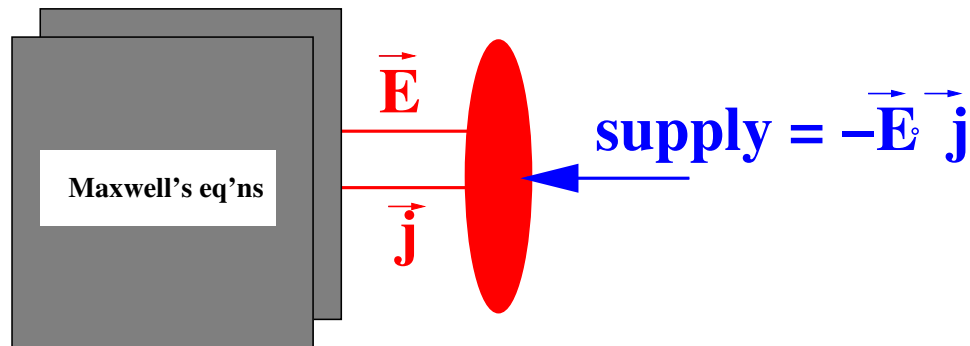
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Problem:

Build a theory behind **ad hoc** constructions of E , F_E and S , F_S .

Complete as in the 1-d case....

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$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \cdot \vec{E} + \nabla \cdot \vec{j} &= 0, \\ \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \vec{E} + \epsilon_0 c^2 \nabla \times \nabla \times \vec{E} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{j} &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

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There simply isn't a storage function in terms of only \vec{E}, \vec{j} !!

PDE's and QDF's

Linear differential distributed (n-d) systems

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generate exactly the solutions to Maxwell's equations:

$$\vec{E} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \vec{A} - \nabla \phi,$$

$$\vec{B} = \nabla \times \vec{A},$$

$$\vec{j} = \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \vec{A} - \epsilon_0 c^2 \nabla^2 \vec{A} + \epsilon_0 c^2 \nabla (\nabla \cdot \vec{A}) + \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \nabla \phi,$$

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Not all controllable systems admit an **observable** im. repr'n.
For $n = 1$, they do. \Leftrightarrow right co-prime factorization of G .
For $n > 1$, exceptionally so.

The latent variable ℓ in an im. repr'n may be **'hidden'**.

Example: Maxwell's equations **do not** allow a potential representation with an **observable** potential.

Notation

Where convenient, use multi-index notation:

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$$\xi = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n), \zeta = (\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n), \eta = (\eta_1, \dots, \eta_n),$$

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for all $w \in \mathfrak{B}$ of compact support, i.e., for all $w \in \mathfrak{B} \cap \mathfrak{D}$.

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holds for all (w, ℓ) that satisfy $w = M \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z}, \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right) \ell$.

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This gives physical notions as stored energy, entropy, etc., an enigmatic physical flavor.

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$$\vec{F}(\vec{E}, \vec{B}) := \epsilon_0 c^2 \vec{E} \times \vec{B}.$$

Local conservation law for Maxwell's equations:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} S(\vec{E}, \vec{B}) + \nabla \cdot \vec{F}(\vec{E}, \vec{B}) = -\vec{E} \cdot \vec{j}.$$

Involves \vec{B} , unobservable from \vec{E} and \vec{j} .

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But a rational function (and hence a polynomial)

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The Feynman Lectures on Physics,
Volume II, page 27-6.

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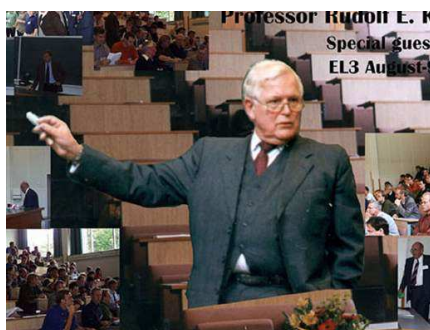
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Motto

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