

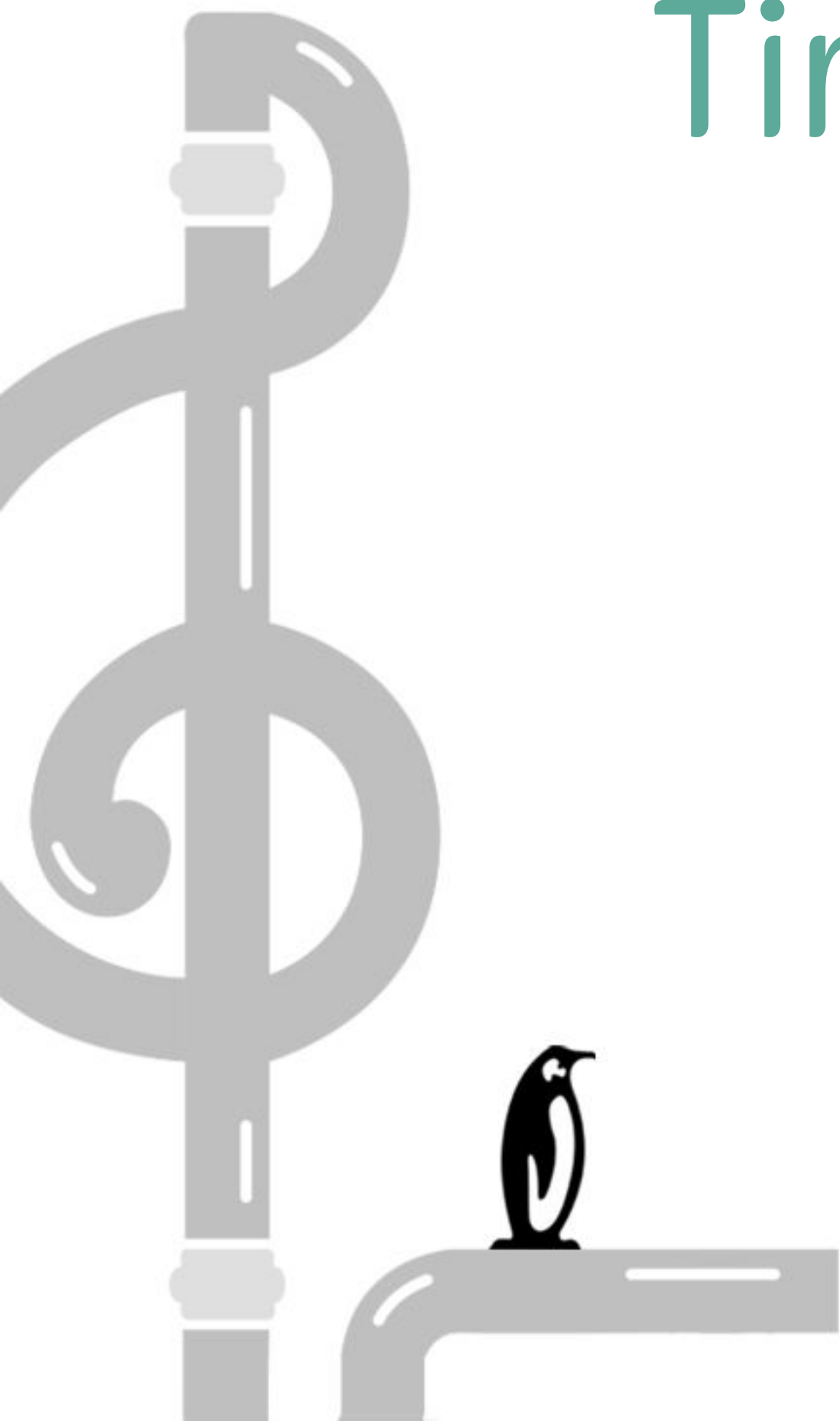
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Time based thermal governor (all theoretical)

Power Management and Thermal Control MC

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Step wise advantages

- Simple algorithm
 - +1 when temperature trend is raising up
 - -1 when temperature trend is dropping down
- Works just fine 👍



Step wise limitations

- Temperature takes time to stabilize when there are a lot of steps, jittering can be important
- Depending on the passive polling delay sampling
- Results in temperature overshoot and undershoot



Power allocator advantages

- Temperature is better stabilized than the step wise governor
- Based on PID loop



Power allocator disadvantages

- Complex logic, math involved
- Very hard to setup without a good knowledge of it
- Only for cooling devices with an energy model



Time / event based step wise

- Let's try to get advantages from both approaches
- Simple
- Smooth stabilized temperature



Time / event based step wise

- We need a temperature speed estimation
- No more temperature at fixed sampling rate but pro-activity and reactivity
- No passive polling needed

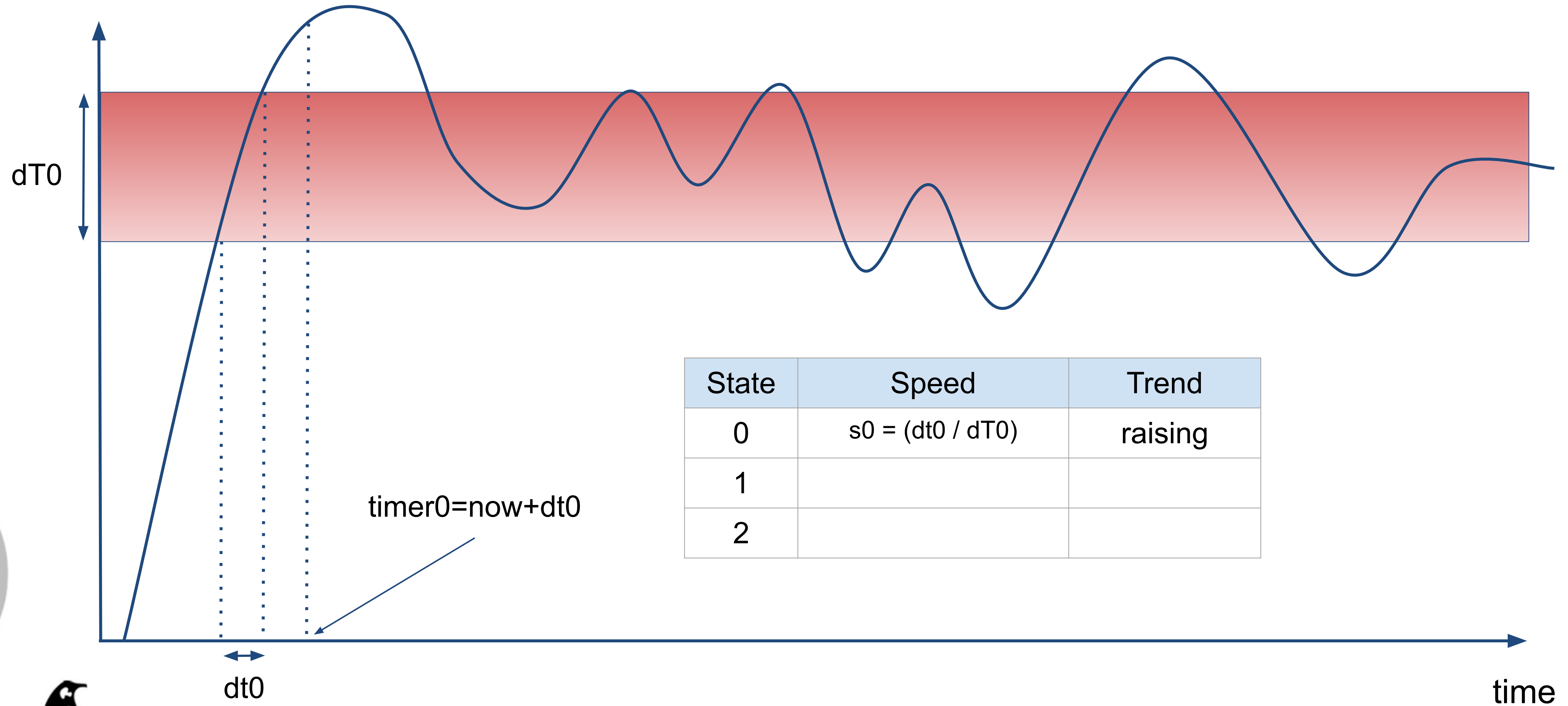


Time / event based step wise

- Speed gives us an estimation of when will be reached the limit
- There is a speed per cooling device state

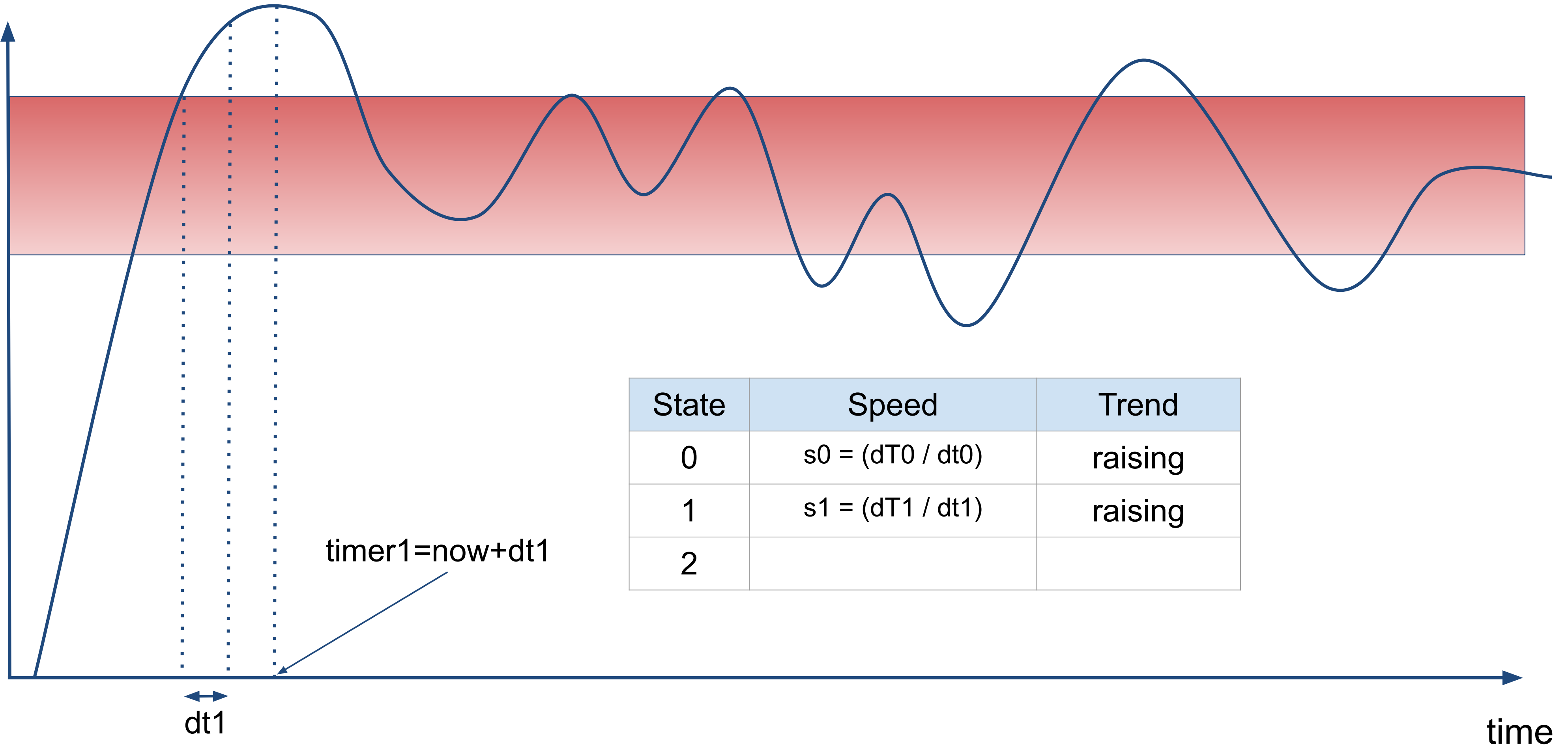


temperature



temperature

dT1

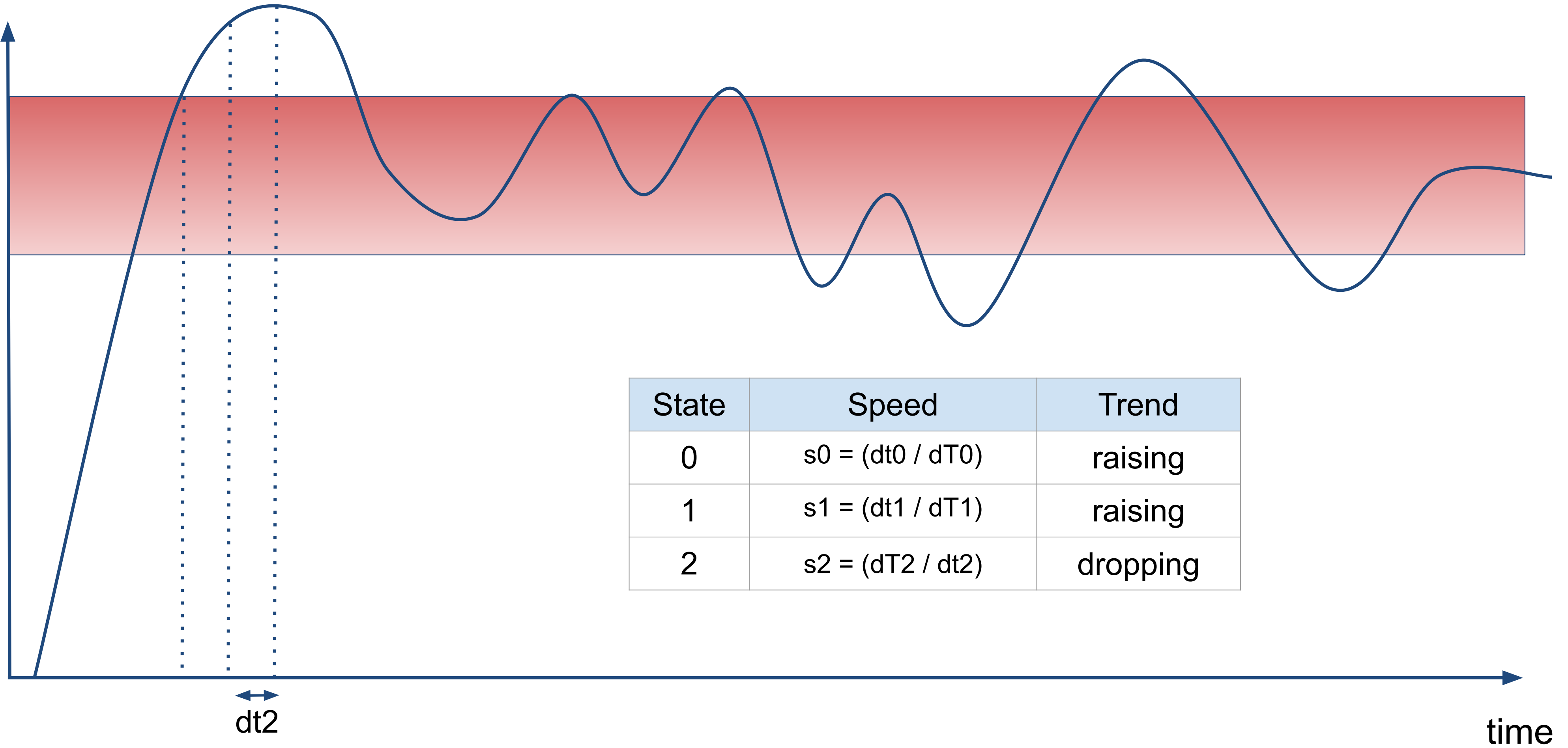


State	Speed	Trend
0	$s0 = (dT0 / dt0)$	raising
1	$s1 = (dT1 / dt1)$	raising
2		



temperature

dT2



Time / event based step wise

- Assuming the temperature is in the hysteresis
- In the absolute, we want the average temperature speed equal to zero



Thought exercise

- speed average = $(DT0 + DT1 + DT2) / (dt0 + dt1 + dt2) = 0$
- $dt0 + dt1 + dt2$ is always > 0
- $DT0 + DT1 + DT2 = 0$
- To make the equality true, we need to introduce factors
- $a.DT0 + b.DT1 + c.DT2 = 0$



Thought exercise

- Finding a, b and c ?
- Repeat 3 times the speed measurements ?
- Use arbitrary values for two of the three factors ?



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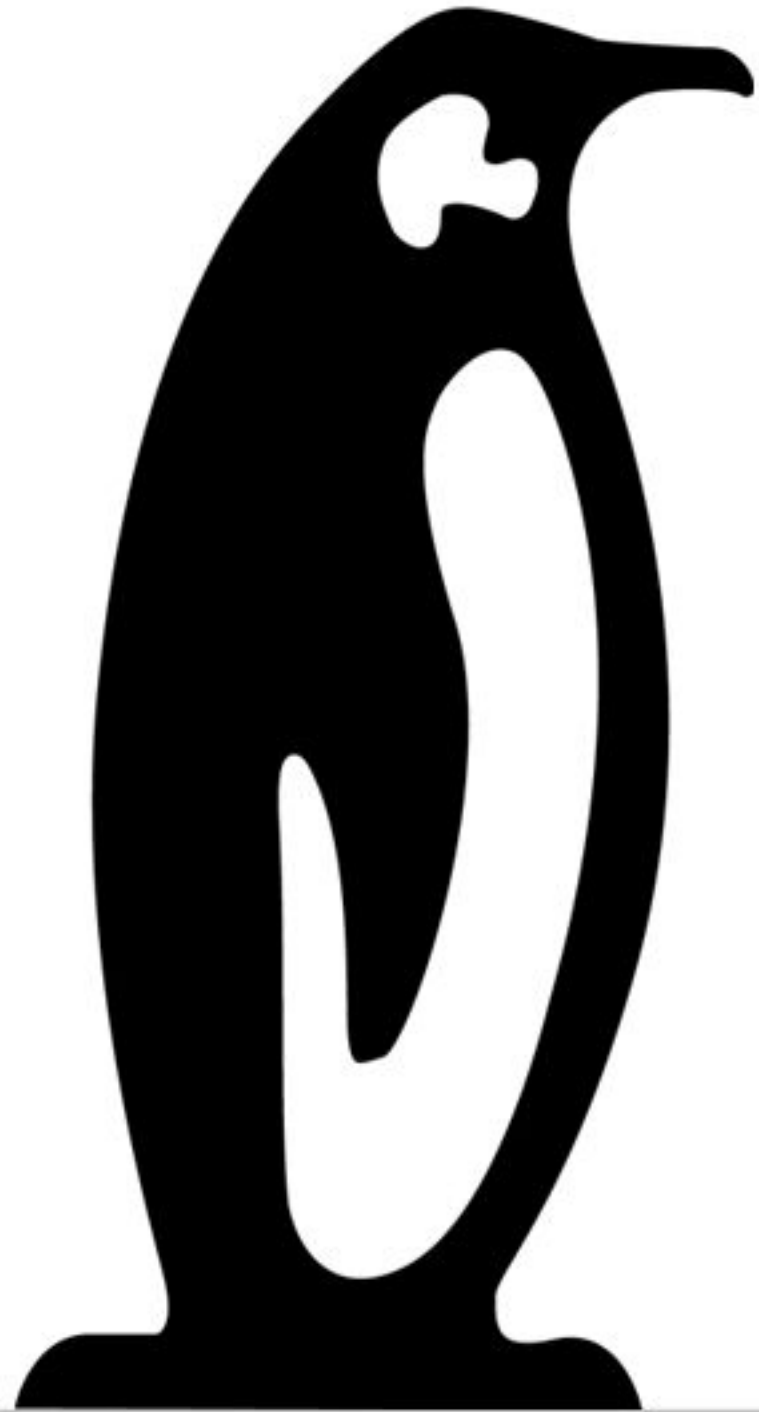
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