

Forward Invariance of Sets for Hybrid Dynamical Systems (Part II)

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Abstract—This article presents tools for the design of control laws inducing *robust controlled forward invariance* of a set for hybrid dynamical systems modeled as hybrid inclusions. A set has the robust controlled forward invariance property via a control law if every solution to the closed-loop system that starts from the set stays within the set for all future time, regardless of the value of the disturbances. Building on the first part of this article, which focuses on analysis, in this article, sufficient conditions for generic sets to enjoy such a property are proposed. To construct invariance inducing state-feedback laws, the notion of *robust control Lyapunov function for forward invariance* is defined. The proposed synthesis results rely on set-valued maps that include all admissible control inputs that keep closed-loop solutions within the set of interest. Results guaranteeing the existence of such state-feedback laws are also presented. Moreover, conditions for the design of continuous state-feedback laws with minimum point-wise norm are provided. Major results are illustrated throughout this article in a constrained bouncing ball system and a robotic manipulator application.

Index Terms—Control design, control theory, Lyapunov methods, nonlinear control systems, nonlinear dynamical systems, robustness.

I. INTRODUCTION

A. Background and Motivation

A SET K is forward invariant for a dynamical system if every solution to the system from K stays in K . Forward invariance properties have been key building blocks of stability theory since the early work by LaSalle and Krasovskii in 1960s. In particular, scholars have studied forward invariance and controlled forward invariance together with stability in the sense of Lyapunov for different classes of dynamical systems. Blanchini [1] investigates the relationship between forward

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invariance and stability for uncertain constrained purely discrete-time and purely continuous-time systems. Bitsoris and Gravalou [2], inspired by stability analysis that uses a comparison principle, derive conditions for the existence of forward invariant sets for constrained discrete-time nonlinear systems. For a class of discrete-time systems, Marruedo *et al.* [3] establishes sufficient conditions for stability using invariant set theory, conditions that are applied to derive stability and feasibility of a model-predictive control problem with “decaying perturbations.” In [4], stability of controlled invariant sets is achieved for piecewise-affine systems.

In recent years, several control applications have motivated control designs that go beyond Lyapunov stability and attractivity, in particular, that guarantee set invariance and safety properties under disturbances. In [5], as a case study for manipulating genetic regulatory networks, robust invariance of a set is required to keep the states of a Boolean network within a desired set. For continuous-time monotone systems, Meyer *et al.* [6] achieves energy efficiency in temperature control of ventilation in buildings via invariance analysis. For nonlinear continuous-time systems, Xu *et al.* [7] studies invariance applications in adaptive cruise control using control barrier functions. Applications such as these have motivated our previous work in [8], where we develop systematic tools to verify forward invariance properties of sets without insisting on stability. In addition, theoretical and computational results on robust controlled forward invariance are available in the literature for particular classes of systems. Such a property guarantees that every solution to the closed-loop system stay within the set they started from, regardless of the values of the disturbances. An extensive survey on control design for forward invariance is available in [9]. Hu and Lin [10] study invariance control for saturated linear continuous-time systems (the singular case is treated in [11]). Algorithms to estimate the maximal invariant set for discrete-time systems are given in [12]–[14]. Methods for the design of invariance-based control laws for systems with inputs using control Lyapunov functions are less developed. By solving convex optimization problems for linear discrete-time systems, Raković *et al.* [15] and [16] generate tools to verify and compute robust controlled invariant sets that are parametrized by a family of local control Lyapunov functions.

For systems exhibit switching dynamics, robust forward invariance analysis tools are applied to the design of feedback controllers in [17] for linear continuous-time systems that have a logic variable determining the mode of operation. In [18], methods to design invariance-inducing controllers exhibiting discrete events for continuous-time nonlinear systems are proposed. The particular case of invariance-based control design for switched systems modeled as discrete-time systems (without perturbations) is treated in [19]. Julius and Schaft [20] and Shang [21] propose algorithms to compute the controlled invariant sets for systems.

Invariance-based control for hybrid systems, which are systems that combine continuous and discrete dynamics, is much less explored, with only a few articles on the subject. For reachability of desired sets, game theory techniques are applied in [22] and [23] to render sets

controlled invariance for a class of hybrid systems with disturbances. Similarly, barrier functions (and control barrier functions), which lead to controlled invariant sets, have been effectively employed in the study of safety for classes of hybrid systems [24]. Moreover, in [25] and [26], such functions are used for safety verification in hybrid automata with disturbances.

B. Contributions

In [8], we formally define notions pertaining to robust forward invariance of sets for hybrid dynamical systems modeled as hybrid inclusions [27]. Sufficient conditions that apply to generic sets are presented therein. In addition, we establish conditions to render the sublevel sets of Lyapunov-like functions forward invariant for hybrid systems without disturbances. In this article, continuing from [8], we focus on design of controllers that confer invariance properties presented therein, for hybrid systems given as in [28]. In particular, differential and difference inclusions with state, input, and disturbance constraints are used to model the continuous and discrete dynamics of hybrid systems, respectively. More precisely, we consider hybrid systems with control inputs $u = (u_c, u_d) \in \mathcal{U}_c \times \mathcal{U}_d$ and disturbances $w = (w_c, w_d) \in \mathcal{W}_c \times \mathcal{W}_d$ that are given by¹

$$\mathcal{H}_{u,w} \begin{cases} (x, u_c, w_c) \in C_{u,w} & \dot{x} \in F_{u,w}(x, u_c, w_c) \\ (x, u_d, w_d) \in D_{u,w} & x^+ \in G_{u,w}(x, u_d, w_d) \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is the state, $C_{u,w} \subset \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{U}_c \times \mathcal{W}_c$ and $D_{u,w} \subset \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{U}_d \times \mathcal{W}_d$ are called the flow and jump set, respectively, whereas $F_{u,w}$ and $G_{u,w}$ are called the flow and jump map, respectively. For this broad class of hybrid systems, the following contributions made by this article.

- 1) *Robust controlled forward invariance for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ via (κ_c, κ_d)* : we introduce the concept of robust controlled forward invariance. When a $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ -admissible² state-feedback pair (κ_c, κ_d) renders a set $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ robustly controlled forward invariant for the closed-loop system, the existence of a nontrivial solution pair from every possible initial condition is guaranteed. Moreover, every maximal solution pair (see Definition 2.1) that starts from the set is complete and stays within the set for all future (hybrid) time.
- 2) *Robust forward invariance of sublevel sets of Lyapunov-like functions*: conditions to guarantee robust forward invariance properties that take advantage of the nonincreasing property of a Lyapunov-like function, V , are proposed. As in [8], we intersect the sublevel sets of the given function V with the state component of the flow and jump sets to define the set to be rendered robustly controlled forward invariant. Technical conditions are needed to guarantee the existence of nontrivial solution pairs from every point in such a set as well as to guarantee completeness of solution pairs. Note that these Lyapunov-like functions ought to satisfy inequalities over carefully constructed regions that allow for the potential increase in V in the interior of their sublevel sets. Moreover, compared with [1, Th. 5.1], we further relax the regularity

on the flow set via a constructive proof that employs properties of vectors in the tangent cone of the sets.

- 3) *Existence of continuous state-feedback laws using robust control Lyapunov functions (RCLF) for forward invariance*: we present the concept of RCLF for forward invariance for the purpose of rendering a set robustly controlled invariant. The proposed notion extends and is derived from the conditions in [28] for asymptotic stability. Such a novel concept is exploited to determine sufficient conditions that lead to the existence of continuous state-feedback laws for robust controlled invariance. These conditions involve the data of the system and properly constructed set-valued maps in terms of V -called the regulation maps. In particular, by assuring the existence of continuous selections from the said set-valued maps, forward invariance of sublevel sets of V is guaranteed.
- 4) *Pointwise minimum norm selections as continuous state-feedback laws*: utilizing the regulation maps, we propose a pointwise minimum norm selection scheme to construct state-feedback laws that not only render the set robustly controlled forward invariant, but also are continuous.

In summary, in this article, we propose control synthesis methods for the purpose of rendering a set robustly controlled forward invariant for a general class of hybrid dynamical systems with disturbances.³ Major results are illustrated in two control design applications in which the dynamical systems can be modeled as hybrid inclusions as in (1). More precisely, the results are illustrated in

- 1) *a constrained bouncing ball system*, for which the control goal is to maintain the ball to bounce back within a desired height range under the effect of an uncertain coefficient of restitution;
- 2) *a robotic manipulator interacting with an environment*, for which the control goal is to guarantee that the end-effector only operates within a safe region.

For both applications, the designed state-feedback controllers induce robust forward invariance of sets describing the corresponding control objectives. These applications are revisited multiple times to illustrate definitions, concepts and results.

Our results are also insightful for systems with purely continuous-time or discrete-time dynamics. In fact, because of the generality of the hybrid inclusions framework, the results in this article are applicable to broader classes of systems, such as those studied in [9], [10], [30], and [31].

C. Organization and Notation

The remainder of this article is organized as follows. Preliminaries about the considered class of hybrid systems is in Section II. The robust controlled forward invariance notions and sufficient conditions to guarantee each notion are presented in Section III. In Section III-B, sufficient conditions to induce robust forward invariance of sets are proposed for systems with a given Lyapunov-like function. In Section III-C, the results on the existence of continuous state-feedback laws for robust controlled forward invariance are presented. The pointwise minimum control law is in Section III-D.

¹The space for control inputs and disturbances are $\mathcal{U}_c \subset \mathbb{R}^{m_c}$, $\mathcal{U}_d \subset \mathbb{R}^{m_d}$ and $\mathcal{W}_c \subset \mathbb{R}^{d_c}$, $\mathcal{W}_d \subset \mathbb{R}^{d_d}$, respectively.

²A state-feedback pair (κ_c, κ_d) , where $\kappa_c : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m_c}$ and $\kappa_d : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m_d}$, is said to be $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ -admissible if the pair satisfies the dynamics of $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$.

³The nominal version of the results in this article appeared without proof in the conference article [29] with a slightly different definition of the CLF for forward invariance.

Notation: Given a set-valued map $M : \mathbb{R}^m \rightrightarrows \mathbb{R}^n$, we denote the range of M as $\text{rge } M = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n : y \in M(x), x \in \mathbb{R}^m\}$, the domain of M as $\text{dom } M = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^m : M(x) \neq \emptyset\}$, and the graph of M as $\text{gph } M = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^n : y \in M(x)\}$. Given $r \in \mathbb{R}$, the r -sublevel set of a function $V : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is $L_V(r) := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : V(x) \leq r\}$, $V^{-1}(r) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : V(x) = r\}$ denotes the r -level set of V , and, following the same notation in [1, Sec. V], given a constant $r \leq r^*$, we define the set $\mathcal{I}(r, r^*) := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : r \leq V(x) \leq r^*\}$. The closed unit ball around the origin in \mathbb{R}^n is denoted as \mathbb{B} . Given a closed set K , we denote the tangent cone of the set K at a point $x \in K$ as $T_K(x)$. The closure of the set K is denoted as \bar{K} . The set collecting all boundary points of a set K is denoted by ∂K and the set of interior points of K is denoted by $\text{int} K$. Given vectors x and y , (x, y) is equivalent to $[x^\top \ y^\top]^\top$. Given a vector x , $|x|$ denotes the 2-norm of x .

II. PRELIMINARIES

In this article, we are interested in forward invariance properties of a set that are uniform in the disturbances w for the closed-loop system \mathcal{H}_w in (3) resulting from controlling $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ in (1) by a $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ -admissible state-feedback pair (κ_c, κ_d) . Note that some properties and notions in this article are clearly defined for the original (open-loop) hybrid system $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ with control inputs, whereas others are developed for the (perturbed) closed-loop system \mathcal{H}_w . In (1), sets $C_{u,w}$ and $D_{u,w}$ define conditions that x, u , and w should satisfy for flows or jumps to occur, respectively. The maps $F_{u,w}$ and $G_{u,w}$ capture the system dynamics when in sets $C_{u,w}$ and $D_{u,w}$, respectively. For ease of exposition, for every $\star \in \{c, d\}$, we define the projection of $S \subset \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{W}_\star$ onto \mathbb{R}^n as

$$\Pi_\star^w(S) := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : (x, w_\star) \in S\}$$

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$$\Pi_\star(S) := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : (x, u_\star, w_\star) \in S\}.$$

Given sets $C_{u,w}$ and $D_{u,w}$, the set-valued maps $\Phi_c^w : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{U}_c \rightrightarrows \mathcal{W}_c$ and $\Phi_d^w : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{U}_d \rightrightarrows \mathcal{W}_d$ are defined as

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_c^w(x, u_c) &:= \{w_c \in \mathbb{R}^{d_c} : (x, u_c, w_c) \in C_{u,w}\} \\ \Phi_d^w(x, u_d) &:= \{w_d \in \mathbb{R}^{d_d} : (x, u_d, w_d) \in D_{u,w}\} \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

for each $(x, u_c) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{U}_c$ and each $(x, u_d) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{U}_d$, respectively, and the set-valued maps $\Psi_c^u : \mathbb{R}^n \rightrightarrows \mathcal{U}_c$ and $\Psi_d^u : \mathbb{R}^n \rightrightarrows \mathcal{U}_d$ are defined, for each $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, as

$$\begin{aligned} \Psi_c^u(x) &:= \{u_c \in \mathbb{R}^{m_c} : (x, u_c, w_c) \in C_{u,w}\} \\ \Psi_d^u(x) &:= \{u_d \in \mathbb{R}^{m_d} : (x, u_d, w_d) \in D_{u,w}\} \end{aligned}$$

respectively.

Solutions to a hybrid system \mathcal{H}_w as in (3) are parameterized by hybrid time domains \mathcal{E} , which are subsets of $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \times \mathbb{N}$ that, for each $(T, J) \in \mathcal{E}$, $\mathcal{E} \cap ([0, T] \times \{0, 1, \dots, J\})$ can be written as $\bigcup_{j=0}^{J-1} ([t_j, t_{j+1}], j)$ for some finite sequence of times $0 = t_0 \leq t_1 \leq t_2 \leq \dots \leq t_J$. Moreover, following [27, Definition 2.4], a hybrid arc ϕ is a function on a hybrid time domain that, for each $j \in \mathbb{N}$, $t \mapsto \phi(t, j)$ is absolutely continuous on the interval $I^j := \{t : (t, j) \in \text{dom } \phi\}$, where $\text{dom } \phi$ denotes the hybrid time domain of ϕ .

To make this article self-contained, we recall the solution pair concept in [1, Definition 2.1].

Definition 2.1: (solution pairs to \mathcal{H}_w) A pair (ϕ, w) consisting of a hybrid arc ϕ and a hybrid disturbance $w = (w_c, w_d)$, with $\text{dom } \phi =$

$\text{dom } w (= \text{dom}(\phi, w))$,⁴ is a solution pair to the hybrid system \mathcal{H}_w in (3) if $(\phi(0, 0), w_c(0, 0)) \in \bar{C}_w$ or $(\phi(0, 0), w_d(0, 0)) \in D_w$, and

(S1_w) for all $j \in \mathbb{N}$ such that I^j has nonempty interior

$$\begin{aligned} (\phi(t, j), w_c(t, j)) &\in C_w \quad \text{for all } t \in \text{int } I^j \\ \frac{d\phi}{dt}(t, j) &\in F_w(\phi(t, j), w_c(t, j)) \quad \text{for almost all } t \in I^j \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

(S2_w) for all $(t, j) \in \text{dom } \phi$ such that $(t, j+1) \in \text{dom } \phi$

$$\begin{aligned} (\phi(t, j), w_d(t, j)) &\in D_w \\ \phi(t, j+1) &\in G_w(\phi(t, j), w_d(t, j)). \end{aligned}$$

In addition, a solution pair (ϕ, w) to \mathcal{H}_w is

- 1) nontrivial if $\text{dom}(\phi, w)$ contains at least two points;
- 2) complete if $\text{dom}(\phi, w)$ is unbounded;
- 3) maximal if there does not exist another $(\phi, w)'$ such that (ϕ, w) is a truncation of $(\phi, w)'$ to some proper subset of $\text{dom}(\phi, w)$.⁵ \square

Given $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, $\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}_w}(K)$ denotes the set that includes all maximal solution pairs (ϕ, w) to the hybrid system \mathcal{H}_w with $\phi(0, 0) \in K$.

The following regularity conditions on the system data of a hybrid system \mathcal{H}_w as in (3) are considered in some forthcoming results. These conditions guarantee robustness of asymptotic stability of compact sets with respect to small perturbations (see [27, Ch. 6] for details).

Definition 2.2: (hybrid basic conditions) A hybrid system $\mathcal{H}_w = (C_w, F_w, D_w, G_w)$ is said to satisfy the hybrid basic conditions if its data satisfies

- A1_w) C_w and D_w are closed subsets of $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{W}_c$ and $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{W}_d$, respectively;
- A2_w) $F_w : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^{d_c} \rightrightarrows \mathbb{R}^n$ is outer semicontinuous⁵ relative to C_w and locally bounded, and for all $(x, w_c) \in C_w$, $F_w(x, w_c)$ is nonempty and convex;
- A3_w) $G_w : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^{d_d} \rightrightarrows \mathbb{R}^n$ is outer semicontinuous relative to D_w and locally bounded, and for all $(x, w_d) \in D_w$, $G_w(x, w_d)$ is nonempty. \square

To obtain properties (A1_w)–(A3_w) in Definition 2.2 for \mathcal{H}_w , we have the following immediate result.

Lemma 2.3: (hybrid basic conditions) Suppose $\kappa_c : \Pi_c(C_{u,w}) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}_c$ and $\kappa_d : \Pi_d(D_{u,w}) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}_d$ are continuous and $\mathcal{H}_{u,w} = (C_{u,w}, F_{u,w}, D_{u,w}, G_{u,w})$ is such that

- A1') $C_{u,w}$ and $D_{u,w}$ are closed subsets of $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{U}_c \times \mathcal{W}_c$ and $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{U}_d \times \mathcal{W}_d$, respectively;
- A2') $F_{u,w} : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^{m_c} \times \mathbb{R}^{d_c} \rightrightarrows \mathbb{R}^n$ is outer semicontinuous relative to $C_{u,w}$ and locally bounded, and for every $(x, u_c, w_c) \in C_{u,w}$, $F_{u,w}(x, u_c, w_c)$ is nonempty and convex;
- A3') $G_{u,w} : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^{m_d} \times \mathbb{R}^{d_d} \rightrightarrows \mathbb{R}^n$ is outer semicontinuous relative to $D_{u,w}$ and locally bounded, and for every $(x, u_d, w_d) \in D_{u,w}$, $G_{u,w}(x, u_d, w_d)$ is nonempty.

Then, \mathcal{H}_w satisfies conditions (A1_w)–(A3_w) in Definition 2.2.

III. ROBUST CONTROLLED FORWARD INVARIANCE FOR HYBRID SYSTEMS

In this section, we first provide conditions guaranteeing that a static state-feedback pair renders robustly forward invariant (in the

⁴Recall from [8], a hybrid disturbance w is a function on a hybrid time domain that, for each $j \in \mathbb{N}$, $t \mapsto w(t, j)$ is Lebesgue measurable and locally essentially bounded on the interval $\{t : (t, j) \in \text{dom } w\}$.

⁵See Definition A.1 in the Appendix.

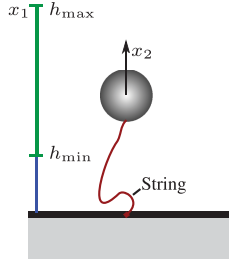


Fig. 1. Bouncing ball system configuration.

appropriate sense) a set for the closed-loop system. These conditions involve the $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ -admissible state-feedback pair (κ_c, κ_d) , the data of the closed-loop system it leads to, which is denoted \mathcal{H}_w , and the set K to render robustly forward invariant. We also provide conditions guaranteeing the existence of such feedbacks as well as a method for their systematic design.

Provided with a $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ -admissible state-feedback pair (κ_c, κ_d) the closed-loop hybrid system resulting from $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ in (1) is given by

$$\mathcal{H}_w \begin{cases} (x, w_c) \in C_w & \dot{x} = F_w(x, w_c) \\ (x, w_d) \in D_w & x^+ \in G_w(x, w_d) \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

where the set-valued maps $F_w(x, w_c) := F_{u,w}(x, \kappa_c(x), w_c)$ and $G_w(x, w_d) := G_{u,w}(x, \kappa_d(x), w_d)$ govern the continuous and discrete dynamics of the system on the sets $C_w := \{(x, w_c) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{W}_c : (x, \kappa_c(x), w_c) \in C_{u,w}\}$ and $D_w := \{(x, w_d) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{W}_d : (x, \kappa_d(x), w_d) \in D_{u,w}\}$, respectively. Note that \mathcal{H}_w shares similar structure as the hybrid system \mathcal{H}_w in (1) of [8]. To this end, to make this article self-contained, we recall the following notions from [1, Definition 3.2], which are used in this section.

Definition 3.1: (robust forward pre-invariance of \mathcal{H}_w) The set $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is said to be *robustly forward pre-invariant* for \mathcal{H}_w if every $(\phi, w) \in S_{\mathcal{H}_w}(K)$ is such that $\text{rge } \phi \subset K$. The set $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is said to be *robustly forward invariant* for \mathcal{H}_w if for every $x \in K$ there exists a solution pair to \mathcal{H}_w and every $(\phi, w) \in S_{\mathcal{H}_w}(K)$ is complete and such that $\text{rge } \phi \subset K$. \square

Building from this definition, we introduce the following robust controlled forward invariance notions.

Definition 3.2: (robust controlled forward pre-invariance of $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$) The set $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is said to be *robustly controlled forward pre-invariant* for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ as in (1) via a state-feedback pair (κ_c, κ_d) if the set K is robustly forward pre-invariant for the resulting closed-loop system \mathcal{H}_w . The set $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is said to be *robustly controlled forward invariant* for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ via a state-feedback pair (κ_c, κ_d) as in (1) if the set K is robustly forward invariant for the resulting closed-loop system \mathcal{H}_w . \square

Remark 3.3: As mentioned in Section I, our notions apply to a more general class of systems, in particular, continuous-time, discrete-time, and hybrid systems with set-valued dynamics. Very importantly, compared with [9, Definition 2.3], [7, Definition 8] (for continuous-time systems), or [32, Definition 1] (for discrete-time systems), our notions do not require uniqueness of solutions to the closed-loop system.

Throughout this article, we demonstrate our main results in two control design problems for mechanical systems, namely a constrained bouncing ball moving vertically that is controlled by impacts at zero height, and a robotic manipulator interacting with a surface.

Example 3.4: (Constrained bouncing ball system) Consider the bouncing ball system as shown in Fig. 1. We attach one end of a nonelastic string with length h_{\max} to zero height and the other end to

a ball. The ball can only travel vertically and is controlled by impacts at zero height.

Compared with a typical bouncing ball system [27, Example 1.1], the model considered here has an additional “pulling phase” when the ball reaches the height h_{\max} with possibly nonzero velocity. The possible pulls from the string at height h_{\max} and the impacts between the ball and the controlled surface both lead to jumps of the state. In addition to assuming unitary mass of the ball and negligible weight of the string, forces, and friction, we consider the following.

- C1) At impacts with the ground, the uncertain coefficient of restitution is within the range $[e_1, e_2]$, where $0 < e_1 < e_2 < 1$.
- C2) The string breaks when the ball pulls with velocity larger than v_{\max} .
- C3) At pulls of the string, the restitution coefficient is $e_p \in (0, 1]$.

With $x = (x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, x_1 and x_2 model the height and velocity of the ball, respectively. Then, with gravity constant $\gamma > 0$, the flow map is defined on $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \times \mathbb{R}$ and is given by⁶

$$F(x) := (x_2, -\gamma).$$

To formulate the flow and jump set, we define a function $E : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ that describes the total energy of the system as $E(x) = 0.5x_2^2 + \gamma x_1, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^2$. According to C2), the string remains attached to the ball when $x_1 \in [0, h_{\max}]$ and $x_2 \leq v_{\max}$, i.e., $E(x) \leq E_{\max}$ with $E_{\max} := E(h_{\max}, v_{\max})$. After impacts with the controlled surface, the height of the ball x_1 remains unchanged, whereas the velocity x_2 is updated based on a function of the uncertain coefficient of restitution, which is treated as a disturbance $w_d \in \mathcal{W}_d := [e_1, e_2]$, and the control input $u_d \in \mathcal{U}_d := [0, u_{\max}]$ with $u_{\max} = \sqrt{2E_{\max}}$, which represents the velocity change caused by the controlled surface. Hence, we model impacts between the ball and the controlled surface as

$$G_1(x, u_d, w_d) := (x_1, u_d - w_d x_2)$$

when $x_1 = 0$ and $x_2 \leq 0$. Before every impact, x_2 is nonpositive, and, after each impact, it is updated according to G_1 . Then, with a small constant $0 < \delta_p < v_{\max}$, the map

$$G_2(x) := (x_1, \min\{-e_p x_2, -\delta_p\})$$

models the pulls between the ball and the string when $x_1 = h_{\max}$ and $x_2 \in [0, v_{\max}]$. Since before every pull, x_2 is nonnegative, after each pull the ball velocity reverses its sign and is updated according to G_2 . Note that since closed jump sets are preferred as suggested in (A1_w) of Definition 2.2, we only allow the x_2 component to jump to a strictly negative value that is lower bounded (and controllable) by $-\delta_p < 0$.

Then, the hybrid system $\mathcal{H}_{u,w} = (C, F, D_{u,w}, G_{u,w})$ has $x = (x_1, x_2)$ as the state, u_d as the control input and w_d as the disturbance with $(x, u_d, w_d) \in \mathcal{X} = \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathcal{U}_d \times \mathcal{W}_d$ and dynamics given by

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= F(x) & x &\in C \\ x^+ &= G_{u,w}(x, u_d, w_d) & (x, u_d, w_d) &\in D_{u,w} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

where the flow set C is given by

$$C := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 0 \leq x_1 \leq h_{\max}, E(x) \leq E_{\max}\}$$

the jump set $D_{u,w}$ is given by $D_{u,w} := D_{u,w}^1 \cup D_{u,w}^2$ with $D_{u,w}^1 := \{(x, u_d, w_d) \in \mathcal{X} : x_1 = 0, x_2 \in [-\sqrt{2E_{\max}}, 0]\}$, $D_{u,w}^2 :=$

⁶Note that since there are no disturbances and inputs for flow, we omit the subscripts for F and C in this model.

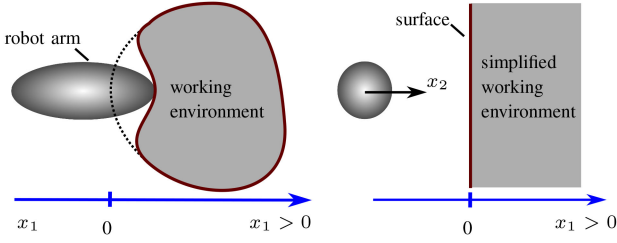


Fig. 2. Robotic manipulator system.

$\{(x, u_d, w_d) \in \mathcal{X} : x_1 = h_{\max}, x_2 \in [0, v_{\max}]\}$, and the jump map $G_{u,w}$ is given by

$$G_{u,w}(x, u_d, w_d) := \begin{cases} G_1(x, u_d, w_d) & \text{if } (x, u_d, w_d) \in D_{u,w}^1 \\ G_2(x) & \text{if } (x, u_d, w_d) \in D_{u,w}^2 \end{cases}$$

We have the following control design goal: under the presence of disturbances w_d , design a feedback law assigning u_d such that when the ball has initial condition $x(0, 0) = (x_1(0, 0), x_2(0, 0))$ with $x_1(0, 0) \in [h_{\min}, h_{\max}]$ and $E(x(0, 0)) \in [0, E_{\max}]$, the string remains attached to the ball, and the peak height of the ball after each bounce is at least h_{\min} . \triangle

The next example presents a control design application with a control input that, unlike the system in Example 3.4, is only active during flows.

Example 3.5: (Robotic manipulator interacting with the environment) Consider a robotic manipulator interacting with a static working environment. As described in [33, Sec. II.A], the interaction between the robotic manipulator and the working environment is captured by

$$\tilde{M}(\theta)\ddot{x}_1 + \tilde{C}(\theta, \dot{\theta})\dot{x}_1 + \tilde{N}(\theta, \dot{\theta}) = f_a - f_c$$

where \tilde{M} , \tilde{C} , and \tilde{N} represent the inertia matrix, the Coriolis matrix, and external forces (including the gravity) acting on the robotic arm joints, respectively. The term f_a represents the actuator force and f_c is the contact force. The state variable x_1 is the position of the end-effector of the manipulator and θ is the angle displacement of the joint.

To stabilize some of the internal and external forces of the manipulator, a commonly used inner feedback law of the form

$$f_a = u_c + \tilde{C}(\theta, \dot{\theta})\dot{x}_1 + \tilde{N}(\theta, \dot{\theta})$$

is applied (see, e.g., [34] and [35]), which leads to

$$\tilde{M}(\theta)\ddot{x}_1 = u_c - f_c. \quad (5)$$

Hence, the system dynamics are simplified to the interaction between the manipulator's end-effector and the working environment. Without loss of generality, only the constrained motion along a straight line is considered. More precisely, as depicted in Fig. 2, the simplified system consists of a point mass with unitary mass that only moves horizontally, and an elastic surface that represents the working environment.

To mimic the different effects of elastic and plastic deformations of the working environment, a velocity threshold $\bar{v} > 0$ is introduced. More precisely, when the reaction stress of the material caused by the contact exceeds \bar{v} , an impact occurs [36]. Similar to Example 3.4, the impact is modeled using an uncertain coefficient of restitution within the range $\mathcal{W}_d := [e_1, e_2]$, where $0 < e_1 < e_2 < 1$.

When the velocity is smaller than \bar{v} , the manipulator pushes against the surface, which results in a nonzero contact force f_c . With the (positive) elastic and viscous parameters of the contact denoted by k_c

and b_c , respectively, the discontinuous contact force is given by

$$f_c(x) = \begin{cases} k_c x_1 + b_c x_2 & \text{if } x_1 \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x_1 < 0. \end{cases}$$

For the resulting hybrid model to satisfy the hybrid basic conditions in Lemma 2.3, we consider the Filippov regularization of the contact force f_c (see [27, Ch. 4]), which is given by

$$f_c^r(x) = \begin{cases} k_c x_1 + b_c x_2 & \text{if } x_1 > 0 \\ \text{conv}\{0, b_c x_2\} & \text{if } x_1 = 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x_1 < 0. \end{cases}$$

Combining the above-mentioned constructions, we model the dynamics of the manipulator as a hybrid system with input affecting the flows only and disturbances affecting the jump only, i.e., $\mathcal{H}_{u,w} = (C_u, F_u, D_w, G_w)$. To this end, let the state variable be $x = (x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$, where x_1 and x_2 represent the horizontal position and velocity of the point mass, respectively (see Fig. 2). The input force u_c applied to the point mass is bounded and constrained to the set $\mathcal{U}_c := [-f_{\max}, f_{\max}]$. Using (5) and assuming that the inertia matrix is the identity, the flow map is given by $F_u(x, u_c) := (x_2, u_c - f_c^r(x))$. The flow set is given as⁷

$$C_u := \{(x, u_c) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathcal{U}_c : x_1 \leq 0\} \cup \{(x, u_c) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathcal{U}_c : x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \leq \bar{v}\}.$$

The jump set describes the condition that leads to an impact as discussed earlier, and it is given by

$$D_w := \{(x, w_d) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathcal{W}_d : x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq \bar{v}\}.$$

At such points, a jump happens according to the jump map $G_w(x, w_d) := (x_1, -w_d x_2)$. Our goal is to design u_c such that, regardless of whether the manipulator is in contact with the work environment or not, the end-effector stays within a safe region. \triangle

A. CLF-Based Approach for the Design of Robust Invariance-Based Feedback Laws

For systematic invariance-based feedback design, we propose control Lyapunov functions that are tailored to forward invariance properties. We refer to these functions as *RCLF for forward invariance*. Under appropriate conditions, these functions can be used to systematically design state-feedback laws that render a particular sublevel set robustly forward invariant. In simple words, a RCLF for forward invariance, denoted as V , allows to select the inputs of $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ as a function of the state x so that a set of the form

$$\mathcal{M}_r = L_V(r) \cap (\Pi_c(C_{u,w}) \cup \Pi_d(D_{u,w})) \quad (6)$$

which is a subset of the r -sublevel set of V , has the robust controlled forward invariance property introduced in Definition 3.2. As expected, and as formally stated next, the function V needs to satisfy certain CLF-like properties involving the constant r defining the level of the sublevel set $L_V(r)$ and the data of $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$. In its definition, we employ the set-valued map

$$\Theta_d(x) := \{u_d \in \Psi_d^u(x) : G_{u,w}(x, u_d, \Phi_d^w(x, u_d)) \subset \Pi_c(C_{u,w}) \cup \Pi_d(D_{u,w})\} \quad (7)$$

⁷Note that noise in the applied input force at the point mass can be modeled as a disturbance w_c ; however, we omit it for simplicity.

for every $x \in \Pi_d(D_{u,w})$, which, at each such x , collects all inputs u_d such that, regardless of the value of the disturbance, the state x after jumps is in the projection of the flow and jump set to the state space, namely in $\Pi_c(C_{u,w}) \cup \Pi_d(D_{u,w})$.

Definition 3.6: (RCLF for forward invariance for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$) Consider a hybrid system $\mathcal{H}_{u,w} = (C_{u,w}, F_{u,w}, D_{u,w}, G_{u,w})$ as in (1), a constant $r^* \in \mathbb{R}$, and a continuous function $V : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ that is also continuously differentiable on an open set containing $\Pi_c(C_{u,w})$. Suppose there exist continuous functions $\rho_c : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $\rho_d : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ such that, for some $r < r^*$

$$\rho_c(x) > 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{I}(r, r^*) \quad (8)$$

$$\rho_d(x) > 0 \quad \forall x \in L_V(r). \quad (9)$$

Then, the pair (V, r^*) defines a RCLF for forward invariance of the sublevel sets of V for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ if

$$\inf_{u_c \in \Psi_c^u(x)} \sup_{w_c \in \Phi_c^w(x, u_c)} \sup_{\xi \in F_{u,w}(x, u_c, w_c)} \langle \nabla V(x), \xi \rangle + \rho_c(x) \leq 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{I}(r, r^*) \cap \Pi_c(C_{u,w}) \quad (10)$$

$$\inf_{u_d \in \Theta_d(x)} \sup_{w_d \in \Phi_d^w(x, u_d)} \sup_{\xi \in G_{u,w}(x, u_d, w_d)} V(\xi) + \rho_d(x) \leq r \quad \forall x \in L_V(r) \cap \Pi_d(D_{u,w}). \quad (11)$$

□

Remark 3.7: Compared with a typical control Lyapunov function (see, e.g., [37, Definition 2.1]), the RCLF for forward invariance in Definition 3.6 is not constrained to be lower and upper bounded by class \mathcal{K}_∞ functions relative to a set. Note that (10) does not impose conditions in the interior of $L_V(r)$, but to avoid $V(x)$ from being larger than r , (11) is enforced on $x \in L_V(r) \cap \Pi_d(D_{u,w})$. The strict positivity requirements in (8) and (9) are essential to make continuous selections in the forthcoming result.

Remark 3.8: The definition of RCLF for forward invariance of the sublevel sets of V in Definition 3.6 is related to the notion of barrier function and control barrier function. It should be noted that different barrier notions are proposed in the literature, for continuous-time [38], discrete-time [39], and hybrid systems, including hybrid automata [40] and hybrid inclusions [41]. Some of these references present necessary and sufficient conditions for forward invariance (see, e.g., [42] and [43]). With such barrier functions typically denoted as B , the problem of rendering an r -sublevel of a function V studied in this article naturally leads to the barrier function $B(x) = V(x) - r$. With such definition, the barrier function resulting from this construction is close to the definition in [40]. In particular, for a hybrid system with inputs and disturbances, our results allow for the design of control laws that guarantee robust forward invariance of the set $\{x : B(x) \leq 0\}$, properly restricted to the union of the flow and jump set.

Next, we illustrate the concept of RCLFs for forward invariance in Definition 3.6 for the robotic manipulator system introduced in Example 3.5.

Example 3.9: (RCLF for forward invariance for the robotic manipulator) Consider the function

$$V(x) = \frac{1}{2} x^\top P x, \quad \text{with} \quad P = \begin{bmatrix} a & c \\ c & b \end{bmatrix} > 0. \quad (12)$$

We define the safe region described in Example 3.5 using the r -sublevel set of V , i.e., $L_V(r)$ with $r > 0$. Since $\Pi_c(C_u) \cup \Pi_d(D_w) = \mathbb{R}^2$, the control objective is achieved by rendering the set

$$\mathcal{M}_r = L_V(r) \cap (\Pi_c(C_u) \cup \Pi_d(D_w)) = L_V(r) \quad (13)$$

robustly controlled forward invariant for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$. Considering the state-feedback control law given by $u_c = -Kx$ with $K = [k_p \ k_d]$, for every $x \in \Pi_c(C_u)$ with $k_p, k_d > 0$. By properly designing K , we aim to render the set \mathcal{M}_r given in (13) robustly controlled forward invariant for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ in Example 3.5. To this end, under the effect of this feedback, the (set-valued) flow map can be written as

$$F_k(x) := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -k_p - k_c & A(x) \end{bmatrix} x$$

$$\text{where } A(x) := \begin{cases} -k_d & \text{if } x_1 > 0 \\ -k_d - \overline{\text{con}}\{0, b_c\} & \text{if } x_1 = 0 \\ -k_d - b_c & \text{if } x_1 < 0. \end{cases}$$

Using V defined in (12), for every $x \in \mathbb{R}^2$ and every $\eta \in F_k(x)$, if $\frac{a}{c} \geq \frac{k_c}{b_c}$, we have $\langle \nabla V(x), \eta \rangle \leq x^\top Q x$, where

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} -2ck_p & a - bk_p - ck_d \\ a - bk_p - ck_d & 2c - 2bk_d \end{bmatrix}.$$

If we chose feedback parameters such that

$$4bck_p k_d - 4c^2 k_p > (a - bk_p - ck_d)^2 \quad (14)$$

$$k_p > 1 - \frac{b}{c} k_d \quad (15)$$

then, the matrix Q is negative definite. Let $r < r^* = b\bar{v}^2$ and $\rho_c(x) = -x^\top Q x$, for every $x \in \mathbb{R}^2$, (10) holds since when, in particular, $u_c = kx$ we obtain $\langle \nabla V(x), \eta \rangle + \rho_c(x) \leq 0$. Then, for every $x \in \mathbb{R}^2$ and every $\eta \in F_k(x)$. In addition, given $r \in (\frac{b\bar{v}^2}{2}, b\bar{v}^2)$ we consider $\rho_d(x) := \frac{(1-e_2^2)b\bar{v}^2}{2}$. Hence, for every $x \in L_V(r) \cap D$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{w_d \in [e_1, e_2]} V(G_w(x, w_d)) + \rho_d(x) - r \\ &= \left(\frac{a}{2} x_1^2 + cx_1 x_2 + \frac{b}{2} x_2^2 \right) \\ & \quad - r + \frac{(1-e_2^2)b(\bar{v}^2 - x_2^2)}{2} - (1-e_2)cx_1 x_2 \end{aligned}$$

which is nonpositive since $e_2 \in (0, 1)$, $x_1 > 0$, $x_2 \geq \bar{v}$ and every $x \in L_V(r)$ is such that $V(x) \leq r$. Therefore, (11) holds and the pair (V, r^*) defines a RCLF for forward invariance for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$. \triangle

Given a pair (V, r^*) defined as in Definition 3.6 for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ and $r < r^*$ satisfying the conditions therein, our approach consists of selecting a state-feedback law pair (κ_c, κ_d) from these inequalities. In fact, we are interested in synthesizing a pair (κ_c, κ_d) that, in particular, satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{w_c \in \Phi_c^w(x, \kappa_c(x))} \sup_{\xi \in F_{u,w}(x, \kappa_c(x), w_c)} \langle \nabla V(x), \xi \rangle + \rho_c(x) \leq 0 \\ & \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{I}(r, r^*) \cap \Pi_c(C_{u,w}) \\ & \sup_{w_d \in \Phi_d^w(x, \kappa_d(x))} \sup_{\xi \in G_{u,w}(x, \kappa_d(x), w_d)} V(\xi) + \rho_d(x) \leq r \\ & \quad \forall x \in L_V(r) \cap \Pi_d(D_{u,w}). \end{aligned}$$

Under certain mild conditions, such a pair renders the set \mathcal{M}_r in (6) robustly controlled forward invariant for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$. Interestingly, with a constant parameter $\sigma \in (0, 1)$, the selection of such a feedback pair

can be performed by defining sets that nicely depend on the functions

$$\Gamma_c(x, u_c) := \begin{cases} \sup_{w_c \in \Phi_c^w(x, u_c)} \sup_{\xi \in F_{u,w}(x, u_c, w_c)} \langle \nabla V(x), \xi \rangle + \sigma \rho_c(x) & \text{if } (x, u_c) \in \Delta_c \\ -\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (16)$$

for each $(x, u_c, w_c) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{U}_c \times \mathcal{W}_c$, and

$$\Gamma_d(x, u_d) := \begin{cases} \sup_{w_d \in \Phi_d^w(x, u_d)} \sup_{\xi \in G_{u,w}(x, u_d, w_d)} V(\xi) + \sigma \rho_d(x) - r & \text{if } (x, u_d) \in \Delta_d \\ -\infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (17)$$

for each $(x, u_d, w_d) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{U}_d \times \mathcal{W}_d$, where $\Delta_c := \{(x, u_c) : (x, u_c, w_c) \in (M_c \times \mathcal{U}_c \times \mathcal{W}_c) \cap C_{u,w}\}$, $\Delta_d := \{(x, u_d) : (x, u_d, w_d) \in (M_d \times \mathcal{U}_d \times \mathcal{W}_d) \cap D_{u,w}\}$. Moreover, we define

$$M_c := \mathcal{I}(r, r^*) \cap \Pi_c(C_{u,w}), \quad M_d := L_V(r) \cap \Pi_d(D_{u,w}). \quad (18)$$

In fact, with these functions defined, by introducing the set-valued maps $\{u_c \in \Psi_c^u(x) : \Gamma_c(x, u_c) < 0\}$, and $\{u_d \in \Theta_d(x) : \Gamma_d(x, u_d) < 0\}$ which are the so-called *regulation maps* [44], our approach is to determine a state-feedback pair (κ_c, κ_d) that is selected from these maps, i.e., (κ_c, κ_d) is such that $\kappa_c(x) \in \{u_c \in \Psi_c^u(x) : \Gamma_c(x, u_c) < 0\}$, and $\kappa_d(x) \in \{u_d \in \Theta_d(x) : \Gamma_d(x, u_d) < 0\}$ at the appropriate values of the state x .

In Section III-B, we provide key results on robust forward invariance of sublevel sets of CLF-like functions, which are used in our CLF approach. It turns out that when an RCLF for forward invariance for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ is provided, regulation maps as outlined earlier can be constructed for selecting a state-feedback satisfying the conditions in the forthcoming Theorems 3.10 and 3.14; hence, the results in Section III-B enable us to show the desired invariance property under feedback. Since according to Lemma 2.3, the closed-loop system \mathcal{H}_w satisfies conditions (A1_w)–(A3_w) in Definition 2.2 when the applied state-feedback pair is continuous, we seek the design of a state-feedback pair (κ_c, κ_d) with κ_c and κ_d being continuous functions of the state. For this purpose, in Section III-C, we first reveal conditions assuring the existence of continuous selections from the regulation maps. Our main design results are in Section III-D, where we provide an explicit construction of (κ_c, κ_d) with pointwise minimum norm.

B. Robust Forward Invariance of Sublevel Sets of Lyapunov-Like Functions

Building from [1, Sec. V], we provide conditions for robust forward pre-invariance of sublevel sets of V for \mathcal{H}_w , which in turn, provide insight for the invariance-based control design methods in Sections III-C and III-D. More precisely, given a function $V : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we derive sufficient conditions to render its r -sublevel set, with some abuse of notation, given as

$$\mathcal{M}_r = L_V(r) \cap (\Pi_c^w(C_w) \cup \Pi_d^w(D_w)) \quad (19)$$

robust controlled forward pre-invariant for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$.

We consider Lyapunov-like functions that are tailored to forward invariance as introduced in Definition 3.6. Unlike the case for asymptotic stability, the proposed Lyapunov candidate does not necessarily strictly decreases along solutions outside of \mathcal{M}_r or is nonincreasing inside of \mathcal{M}_r . Building from [1, Th. 5.1], the next result characterizes the robust

forward pre-invariance of \mathcal{M}_r in terms of a Lyapunov-like functions. Proof for Theorem 3.10 is presented in [45].

Theorem 3.10: (robust forward pre-invariance of \mathcal{M}_r) Given a hybrid system $\mathcal{H}_w = (C_w, F_w, D_w, G_w)$ as in (3), suppose there exist a constant $r^* \in \mathbb{R}$ and a continuous function $V : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ that is continuously differentiable on an open set containing $\Pi_c^w(C_w)$ such that

$$\langle \nabla V(x), \eta \rangle \leq 0 \quad \forall (x, w_c) \in (\mathcal{I}(r, r^*) \times \mathcal{W}_c) \cap C_w \quad (20)$$

$$\begin{aligned} V(\eta) &\leq r & \forall (x, w_d) \in (L_V(r) \times \mathcal{W}_d) \cap D_w \\ & & \forall \eta \in G_w(x, w_d) \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

for some $r \in (-\infty, r^*)$ such that \mathcal{M}_r is nonempty and closed, and

$$G_w((\mathcal{M}_r \times \mathcal{W}_d) \cap D_w) \subset \Pi_c^w(C_w) \cup \Pi_d^w(D_w) \quad (22)$$

holds. Then, the set \mathcal{M}_r is robustly forward pre-invariant for \mathcal{H}_w .

Conditions (20)–(22) can be used to check whether an already designed state-feedback pair (κ_c, κ_d) renders \mathcal{M}_r given as in (19) robustly controlled forward invariant for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$.

Remark 3.11: A typical set of Lyapunov conditions for asymptotic stability analysis can be found in [27, Th. 3.18]. These conditions ensure the decrease of V along solutions that are initialized outside of \mathcal{A} . In comparison with Theorem 3.10, forward invariance requires the properties of the data of \mathcal{H}_w and of V relative to the set of interest, in our case, \mathcal{M}_r . Compared with [27, Definition 3.16] and [27, Th. 3.18], a function V as in Theorem 3.10 is a Lyapunov function candidate that satisfies less restrictive conditions, and certainly, does not guarantee attractivity. Such function V is neither bounded (from below and above) by two class- \mathcal{K}_∞ functions, namely it does not need to be positive definite and radially unbounded, nor has its change along solutions bounded by a negative definite function of the distance to the set of interest. In particular, for stability in the nominal case, item (3.2b) in [27, Th. 3.18] asks $\langle \nabla V(x), \eta \rangle \leq 0$ for all $x \in L_V(r^*) \cap C$ and all $\eta \in F(x)$, whereas (20) allows $\langle \nabla V(x), \eta \rangle$ to be positive at points $x \in \text{int} L_V(r) \cap C$. Similarly, during jumps, item (3.2c) in [27, Th. 3.18] demands the change $V(\eta) - V(x)$ to be nonpositive for every $x \in L_V(r) \cap D$, whereas (21) allows such changes to be positive at points $x \in \text{int} L_V(r) \cap D$ as long as it is such that $V(\eta) \leq r$. Such properties ensure solutions stay within $L_V(r)$ for any qualifying $r < r^*$.⁸ Note that (20) and (21) do not imply that maximal solutions are complete, neither to \mathcal{H}_w nor to the restriction of \mathcal{H}_w to $L_V(r^*)$.

Remark 3.12: It is worth noting that due to being inequalities, the conditions in Theorem 3.10 cover the special cases where V remains constant on the flow set or on the jump set. In such a case, (20) and (21) in Theorem 3.10 are given by

$$\langle \nabla V(x), \eta \rangle = 0 \quad \forall (x, w_c) \in (L_V(r^*) \times \mathcal{W}_c) \cap C_w \quad (23)$$

$$\begin{aligned} V(\eta) - V(x) &= 0 & \forall (x, w_d) \in (L_V(r) \times \mathcal{W}_d) \cap D_w \\ & & \forall \eta \in G_w(x, w_d) \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

respectively. Intuitively, when V does not change on $L_V(r^*)$, for any $r < r^*$, solution pairs to \mathcal{H}_w stay within the r -sublevel set during flows and jumps. Namely, we can employ (23) and (21), or (20) and (24), to verify robust forward pre-invariance of \mathcal{M}_r .

⁸Note that solution pairs may escape $L_V(r)$ when $r = r^*$. This is because $\langle \nabla V(x), \eta \rangle$ is allowed to be zero in (20).

The observations in Remark 3.12 also extend to the case of hybrid systems where the control inputs affect only one regime, namely either the flows or the jumps and V does not increase during the regime that is not affected by inputs. Consequently, when verifying a RCLF candidate for such systems, we can omit checking the condition in (10) if (23) or (21) holds (or, respectively, omit checking (11) when (20) or (24) holds). One such example is the controlled single-phase dc/ac inverter system in [1, Sec. VI], for which (24) holds [a special case of (21)]. Another example is the bouncing ball system introduced in Example 3.4, where the total energy of the ball is used to construct the function V for invariance analysis. During flows, no energy loss is considered. Hence, the total energy level of the system remains constant during flows, which implies that the special case of (20), namely (23), holds. We illustrate such concept in the following example.

Example 3.13: (The RCLF for forward invariance for the bouncing ball system) We define $V(x) := -E(x)$ for every $x \in C \cup \Pi_d(D_{u,w})$. Following formula given in (6), the control objective is achieved by rendering the set

$$\mathcal{M}_r = L_V(-\gamma h_{\min}) \cap (C \cup \Pi_d(D_{u,w})) \quad (25)$$

robustly controlled forward invariant for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$. Given system parameters e_1, e_2, e_p, v_{\max} and h_{\max} , the control goal can be achieved for h_{\min} such that $\sqrt{\gamma(h_{\min} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2})} < e_1 \sqrt{E_{\max}}$ and with $\varepsilon > 0$

$$\gamma(h_{\min} + \varepsilon) \leq 0.5(1 + e_1 - e_2)^2 E_{\max}. \quad (26)$$

Since the control input appears in the map G_1 only, for every $x \in \Pi_d(D_1)$, according to (7), the set Θ_d in (7) is given by

$$\Theta_d(x) = [0, \sqrt{2E_{\max}} + e_2 x_2].$$

In fact, given such x , Θ_d collects all control input values u_d such that $G_1(x, u_d, w_d) \in C \cup \Pi_d(D_{u,w})$ for all $w_d \in [e_1, e_2]$, i.e., every such u_d is such that $E(0, G_1(x, u_d, e_2)) \leq E_{\max}$.

Now, consider the constant $r^* = -\gamma(h_{\min} - \varepsilon)$ and the function ρ_d defined as $\rho_d(x) = \gamma\varepsilon$ for every $x \in L_V(r)$. We show that the pair (V, r^*) defines a RCLF for forward invariance as in Definition 3.6. First, (23) holds on C since, for every $x \in C$, $\langle \nabla V(x), F(x) \rangle = -x_2(-\gamma) - \gamma x_2 = 0$. Then, we show the pair (V, r^*) is such that (11) holds for $r = -\gamma h_{\min} < r^*$. Moreover, for every $x \in L_V(r) \cap \Pi_d(D_1)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{u_d \in \Theta_d(x)} \max_{w_d \in [e_1, e_2]} V(G_1(x, u_d, w_d)) \\ = \min_{u_d \in \Theta_d(x)} \max_{w_d \in [e_1, e_2]} \{-0.5(u_d - w_d x_2)^2\} \\ = -0.5(\sqrt{2E_{\max}} + e_2 x_2 - e_1 x_2)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Since $x_2 \in [-\sqrt{2E_{\max}}, -\sqrt{2\gamma h_{\min}}]$ and due to condition (26), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{u_d \in \Theta_d(x)} \max_{w_d \in [e_1, e_2]} V(G_1(x, u_d, w_d)) + \rho_d(x) \\ \leq -0.5(\sqrt{2E_{\max}} + (e_2 - e_1)(-\sqrt{2E_{\max}}))^2 + \rho_d(x) \\ = -0.5(1 + e_1 - e_2)^2 E_{\max} + \gamma\varepsilon \leq -\gamma h_{\min} = r. \end{aligned}$$

For every $x \in L_V(r) \cap \Pi_d(D_2)$, we have $x_2 \in [0, v_{\max}]$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{u_d \in \Theta_d(x)} \max_{w_d \in [e_1, e_2]} V(G_2(x)) \\ = -0.5(\min\{-e_p x_2, -\delta_p\})^2 - \gamma h_{\max} < r. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the pair (V, r^*) defines a RCLF for forward invariance for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ according to Remark 3.12 and Definition 3.6. \triangle

Next, we derive conditions rendering the set $\mathcal{M}_r \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ in (19) robustly forward invariant for \mathcal{H}_w given as in (3). According to Definition 3.2, these conditions also imply the robustly controlled forward invariance of \mathcal{M}_r for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ via the pair (κ_c, κ_d) . The next result, whose proof is in Appendix B, follows from [1, Th. 5.1] and ensures that every solution pair $(\phi, w) \in \mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}_w}(\mathcal{M}_r)$ has $\text{rge } \phi \subset \mathcal{M}_r$. Moreover, the proposed set of conditions guarantee existence and completeness of maximal solution pairs to \mathcal{H}_w from \mathcal{M}_r .

Theorem 3.14: (robustly forward invariance of \mathcal{M}_r) Given a hybrid system $\mathcal{H}_w = (C_w, F_w, D_w, G_w)$ as in (3), suppose the set C_w is closed, item (A2_w) in Definition 2.2 holds, and $(x, 0) \in C_w$ for every $x \in \Pi_c^w(C_w)$. Suppose there exist a constant $r^* \in \mathbb{R}$ and a continuous function $V : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ that is continuously differentiable on an open set containing $\Pi_c^w(C_w)$ such that (20) and (21) in Theorem 3.10 hold for some $r \in (-\infty, r^*)$ such that \mathcal{M}_r is nonempty and closed, and (22) in Theorem 3.10 holds. Moreover, suppose

- 3.14.1) for every $x \in V^{-1}(r) \cap \Pi_c^w(C_w)$, $\nabla V(x) \neq 0$;
- 3.14.2) for every $x \in (L_V(r) \cap \partial \Pi_c^w(C_w)) \setminus \Pi_d^w(D_w)$, $F_w(x, 0) \cap T_{\Pi_c^w(C_w)}(x) \neq \emptyset$;
- 3.14.3) for every $x \in (V^{-1}(r) \cap \partial \Pi_c^w(C_w)) \setminus \Pi_d^w(D_w)$, the set $\Xi_x := \{\xi \in F_w(x, 0) \cap T_{\Pi_c^w(C_w)}(x) : \langle \nabla V(x), \xi \rangle < 0\}$ is nonempty;
- 3.14.4) $(\mathcal{M}_r \times \mathcal{W}_c) \cap C_w$ is compact, or F_w has linear growth on $(\mathcal{M}_r \times \mathcal{W}_c) \cap C_w$.

Then, the set \mathcal{M}_r is robustly forward invariant for \mathcal{H}_w .

The proof of Theorem 3.14 is presented in Appendix B.

Compared with [1, Th. 5.1], item 3.14.3) does not require the set $\Pi_c^w(C_w)$ to be regular as in item 5.1.3) of [1, Th. 5.1] (see also Lemma A.9 for details).

Remark 3.15: Forward invariance that is uniform in the disturbances is key for certifying safety in real-world applications. As mentioned in Section I, barrier certificates have been shown to be useful for the study of safety, i.e., the problem of whether solutions initiated from a given set would reach an unsafe set. In particular, [25] and [26] pertain to safety for a class of hybrid systems modeled as hybrid automata. In these articles, barrier functions are used to characterize safe sets. A barrier function has strictly positive values in the unsafe sets and nonpositive values otherwise. The conditions proposed guarantee that along every solution from an initial set, the values of these functions are nonincreasing. When compared with the conditions in [25] and [26], the control Lyapunov function for forward invariance in Theorem 3.14 does not need to be strictly positive outside of the set to be rendered forward invariant, c.f. in [25, Th. 2], nor does need to satisfy the exponential condition required in [26, Th. 1]. For nonlinear continuous-time system, [46] provides two types of control barrier functions and compares them to exponentially stabilizing control Lyapunov functions. Aside from the differences in signs within the set of interests and the type of systems we study, our results do not require the control input to be locally Lipschitz as in [46, Corollary 1] (see, e.g., Theorem 3.14).

C. Existence of Pair (κ_c, κ_d) for Robust Controlled Forward Invariance

Next, building from Theorem 3.10, we establish conditions to guarantee existence of a continuous state-feedback pair (κ_c, κ_d) to render the set \mathcal{M}_r robustly controlled forward pre-invariant for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$.

Theorem 3.16: (existence of state-feedback pair for robust controlled forward pre-invariance using RCLF for forward invariance) Consider a hybrid system $\mathcal{H}_{u,w} = (C_{u,w}, F_{u,w}, D_{u,w}, G_{u,w})$ as in (1) satisfying conditions (A1')–(A3') in Lemma 2.3 and such that Φ_c^w and Φ_d^w are locally bounded. Suppose there exists a pair (V, r^*) that defines

a RCLF for forward invariance for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ as in Definition 3.6. Let $r < r^*$ satisfy (8)–(11), Θ_d be given as in (7), and $\sigma \in (0, 1)$. If the following conditions hold.

- 3.16.1) The set-valued maps Ψ_c^u and Θ_d are lower semicontinuous, and Ψ_c^u and Θ_d have nonempty, closed, and convex values on the sets $\Pi_c(C_{u,w})$ and M_d as in (18), respectively.
- 3.16.2) For each $x \in M_c$, the function $u_c \mapsto \Gamma_c(x, u_c)$ in (16) is convex on $\Psi_c^u(x)$ and, for each $x \in M_d$, the function $u_d \mapsto \Gamma_d(x, u_d)$ in (17) is convex on $\Theta_d(x)$.

Then, the set \mathcal{M}_r in (19) is robustly controlled forward pre-invariant for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ via a state-feedback pair (κ_c, κ_d) with κ_c being continuous on M_c and κ_d being continuous on M_d .

Proof: To establish the result, we first show the existence of continuous control laws for a restricted version of the original hybrid system $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ that is given by

$$\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{u,w} \begin{cases} \dot{x} \in F_{u,w}(x, u_c, w_c) & (x, u_c, w_c) \in \tilde{C}_{u,w} \\ x^+ \in G_{u,w}(x, u_d, w_d) & (x, u_d, w_d) \in \tilde{D}_{u,w} \end{cases}$$

where $\tilde{C}_{u,w} := (M_c \times \mathcal{U}_c \times \mathcal{W}_c) \cap C_{u,w}$ and $\tilde{D}_{u,w} := (M_d \times \mathcal{U}_d \times \mathcal{W}_d) \cap D_{u,w}$. To this end, using Γ_c and Γ_d given as in (16) and (17), for each $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, we define the set-valued maps

$$\tilde{S}_c(x) := \{u_c \in \Psi_c^u(x) : \Gamma_c(x, u_c) < 0\}$$

$$\tilde{S}_d(x) := \{u_d \in \Theta_d(x) : \Gamma_d(x, u_d) < 0\}.$$

By definition of $\Theta_d(x)$ in (7) and condition 3.16.1), the maps Ψ_c^u and Θ_d are lower semicontinuous and for every $x \in M_d$, $\Theta_d(x)$ is a nonempty, convex subset of $\Psi_d^u(x)$. Then, we show the maps \tilde{S}_c and \tilde{S}_d are lower semicontinuous by applying Corollary 2. First, we establish that the functions Γ_c and Γ_d are upper semicontinuous by observing the properties of the maps Φ_c^w , Φ_d^w , $F_{u,w}$ and $G_{u,w}$.

- 1) The set-valued maps Φ_c^w and Φ_d^w are upper semicontinuous by a direct application of [27, Lemma 5.15]: the maps Φ_c^w and Φ_d^w defined in (2) have closed graphs because sets $C_{u,w}$ and $D_{u,w}$ are closed, (to see this, note that $\text{gph } \Phi_c^w = \text{gph } \Phi_d^w = S$)—this leads to their outer semicontinuity by [27, Lemma 5.10]—and by the assumption that Φ_c^w and Φ_d^w are locally bounded.
- 2) The maps Φ_c^w and Φ_d^w have compact images: this property directly follows from outer semicontinuity and locally boundedness of Φ_c^w and Φ_d^w .
- 3) The set-valued maps $F_{u,w}$ and $G_{u,w}$ are upper semicontinuous by applying [27, Lemma 5.15] while noting that items (A2') and (A3') of Lemma 2.3 hold.
- 4) The maps $F_{u,w}$ and $G_{u,w}$ have compact images, which follows from the fact that $F_{u,w}$ and $G_{u,w}$ are locally bounded, and are outer semicontinuous.

Moreover, continuous differentiability of V and the continuity of ρ_c and ρ_d imply the continuity of the functions been taken supremum in (16) and (17). With the properties of Φ_c^w , Φ_d^w , $F_{u,w}$, and $G_{u,w}$, the single-valued maps Γ_c and Γ_d are upper semicontinuous by applying [44, Proposition 2.9] twice while noting that for every $(x, u_c, w_c) \in (\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{U}_c \times \mathcal{W}_c) \setminus \tilde{C}_{u,w}$, $\Gamma_c(x, u_c) = -\infty$ and for every $(x, u_d, w_d) \in (\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{U}_d \times \mathcal{W}_d) \setminus \tilde{D}_{u,w}$, $\Gamma_d(x, u_d) = -\infty$. Then, applying Corollary 2, with $z = x$, $z' = u_c$ (or $z' = u_d$), $W = \Psi_c^u$ (or $W = \Theta_d$), and $w = \Gamma_c$ (or $w = \Gamma_d$, respectively) \tilde{S}_c (or \tilde{S}_d , respectively) is lower semicontinuous. The maps \tilde{S}_c and \tilde{S}_d have nonempty

values on M_c and M_d , respectively. This is because, first, Ψ_c^u and Θ_d have nonempty values on M_c and M_d , respectively. In addition, since the inequalities in (10) and (11) hold, for each $(x, u_c) \in \Delta_c$, we have $\Gamma_c(x, u_c) + (1 - \sigma)\rho_c(x) \leq 0$, and for each $(x, u_d) \in \Delta_d$, we have $\Gamma_d(x, u_d) + (1 - \sigma)\rho_d(x) \leq 0$. Then, since the functions ρ_c and ρ_d have positive values on $\mathcal{I}(r, r^*)$ and $L_V(r)$, respectively, and $\sigma \in (0, 1)$, for every $x \in M_c$ (every $x \in M_d$), there exists $u_c \in \Psi_c^u(x)$ (exists $u_d \in \Theta_d(x)$) such that $\Gamma_c(x, u_c) < 0$ (respectively, $\Gamma_d(x, u_d) < 0$). Then, by the convexity of functions Γ_c and Γ_d in condition 3.16.2) and of values of the set-valued maps Ψ_c^u and Θ_d in 3.16.1), we have that the maps \tilde{S}_c and \tilde{S}_d have convex values on M_c and M_d , respectively.

Then, to use [37, Lemma 4.2] for deriving regulation maps that are also lower semicontinuous, for each $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, we define the set-valued maps

$$S_\star(x) := \begin{cases} \tilde{S}_\star(x) & \text{if } x \in M_\star \\ \mathbb{R}^{m_\star} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (27)$$

with $\star \in \{c, d\}$. In addition, S_c and S_d also have nonempty and convex values due to the nonemptiness and convex-valued properties of \tilde{S}_c and \tilde{S}_d .

Now, according to Michael's selection Theorem, namely Theorem A.6, there exist continuous functions $\tilde{\kappa}_c : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m_c}$ and $\tilde{\kappa}_d : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m_d}$ such that, for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\tilde{\kappa}_c(x) \in \overline{S_c(x)}, \quad \tilde{\kappa}_d(x) \in \overline{S_d(x)}.$$

Now, with $\star \in \{c, d\}$, we define functions $\kappa_\star : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m_\star}$ such that

$$\kappa_\star(x) = \tilde{\kappa}_\star(x) \in \mathcal{U}_\star \quad \forall x \in M_\star \quad (28)$$

where the functions κ_\star inherit the continuity of $\tilde{\kappa}_\star$ on M_\star . Applying Lemma 2.3, the closed-loop system resulting from controlling $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ by κ_c and κ_d in (28) satisfies the hybrid basic conditions in Definition 2.2. More precisely, this is because $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{u,w}$ satisfies conditions (A1')–(A3') in Lemma 2.3, and the state-feedback pair (κ_c, κ_d) is continuous on $\Pi_c(\tilde{C}_{u,w}) \cup \Pi_d(\tilde{D}_{u,w})$. With these properties and ∇V being continuous, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa_c(x) \in \Psi_c^u(x), \quad \Gamma_c(x, \kappa_c(x)) &\leq 0 & \forall x \in M_c \\ \kappa_d(x) \in \Theta_d(x), \quad \Gamma_d(x, \kappa_d(x)) &\leq 0 & \forall x \in M_d \end{aligned}$$

which lead to

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{\xi \in F_{u,w}(x, \kappa_c(x), w_c)} \langle \nabla V(x), \xi \rangle + \sigma \rho_c(x) &\leq 0 \\ \forall (x, \kappa_c(x), w_c) &\in \tilde{C}_{u,w} & (29) \\ \sup_{\xi \in G_{u,w}(x, \kappa_d(x), w_d)} V(\xi) + \sigma \rho_d(x) - r &\leq 0 \\ \forall (x, \kappa_d(x), w_d) &\in \tilde{D}_{u,w}. & (30) \end{aligned}$$

The state feedback laws κ_c and κ_d can be extended—not necessarily continuously—to every point in $\Pi_c(C_{u,w})$ and $\Pi_d(D_{u,w})$, respectively, by selecting values from the nonempty sets $\Psi_c^u(x)$ for every $x \in \Pi_c(C_{u,w})$ and $\Theta_d(x)$ for every $x \in \Pi_d(D_{u,w})$.

To complete the proof, we establish the robust controlled forward pre-invariance of \mathcal{M}_r . For this purpose, we apply Theorem 3.10 to the closed-loop system of $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ controlled via the extended state-feedback pair (κ_c, κ_d) that is defined on $\Pi_c(C_{u,w}) \cup \Pi_d(D_{u,w})$. Relationships (29) and (30) imply $\langle \nabla V(x), \xi \rangle \leq 0$ for every $(x, w_c) \in (\mathcal{I}(r, r^*) \times \mathcal{W}_c) \cap C_w$, $\xi \in F_w(x, w_c)$, and $V(\xi) \leq$

r for every $(x, w_d) \in (L_V(r) \times \mathcal{W}_d) \cap D_w, \xi \in G_w(x, w_d)$, respectively. Thus, it is the case that (20) and (21) hold for the resulting closed-loop system. Moreover, since $\kappa_d(x) \in \Theta_d(x)$ for every $x \in M_d$, (7) implies (22) for \mathcal{H}_w . Hence, according to Definition 3.2, the extended state-feedback pair (κ_c, κ_d) renders the set \mathcal{M}_r as in (19) robustly controlled forward pre-invariant for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$. ■

Remark 3.17: Item 3.16.1) in Theorem 3.16 imposes lower semi-continuity of the mappings from state space to the input spaces at points where flows and jumps are allowed. For systems that does not have convex-valued Ψ_c^u and Θ_d on M_c and M_d , respectively, Theorem 3.16 can still be applied if there exist nonempty, closed and convex subsets of $\Psi_c^u(x)$ and $\Theta_d(x)$ for every $x \in M_c$ and $x \in M_d$, respectively, such that item 3.16.2) holds for these subsets. Similar comments apply to the forthcoming results.

To show existence of a state feedback pair (κ_c, κ_d) that renders \mathcal{M}_r as in (19) robustly forward invariant, we need further conditions on the regulation maps to ensure existence of a solution pair from every $\Pi_c(C_{u,w})$. Hence, we dedicate the remainder of this section to address, with a variation of RCLF for forward invariance in Definition 3.6, the existence of a feedback pair for a class of $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ that induces robust controlled forward invariance of \mathcal{M}_r by applying Theorem 3.14. In particular, the next result resembles Theorem 3.16, but employs different regulation maps to guarantee existence of nontrivial solution pairs and their completeness. To this end, for every $x \in \Pi_c(C_{u,w})$, we define the map

$$\Theta_c(x) := \begin{cases} \{u_c \in \Psi_c^u(x) : F_{u,w}(x, u_d, 0) \cap T_{\Pi_c(C_{u,w})}(x) \neq \emptyset\} & (31) \\ \Psi_c^u(x) & \forall x \in \partial \Pi_c(C_{u,w}) \setminus \Pi_d(D_{u,w}) \\ & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Theorem 3.18: (existence of state-feedback pair for robust controlled forward invariance using RCLF for forward invariance) Consider a hybrid system $\mathcal{H}_{u,w} = (C_{u,w}, F_{u,w}, D_{u,w}, G_{u,w})$ as in (1) satisfying conditions (A1')–(A3') in Lemma 2.3 and such that Φ_c^w and Φ_d^w are locally bounded. Suppose there exists a pair (V, r^*) that defines a RCLF for forward invariance of the sublevel sets of V for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ as in Definition 3.6 with Ψ_c^u in (10) replaced by Θ_c as in (31). Let $r < r^*$ satisfy (8)–(11), Θ_d be given as in (7), and $\sigma \in (0, 1)$. If the following conditions hold.

- 3.18.1) The set-valued maps Θ_c and Θ_d are lower semicontinuous, and Θ_c and Θ_d have nonempty, closed, and convex values on the set $\Pi_c(C_{u,w})$ and the set M_d , respectively.
- 3.18.2) For each $x \in M_c$, the function $u_c \mapsto \Gamma_c(x, u_c)$ in (16) is convex on $\Theta_c(x)$ and, for each $x \in M_d$, the function $u_d \mapsto \Gamma_d(x, u_d)$ in (17) is convex on $\Theta_d(x)$.

Then, the set \mathcal{M}_r in (19) is robustly controlled forward pre-invariant for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ via a state-feedback pair (κ_c, κ_d) with κ_c being continuous on M_c and κ_d being continuous on M_d . Furthermore, if item 3.14.4) in Theorem 3.14 holds for the closed-loop system \mathcal{H}_w as in (3), the pair (κ_c, κ_d) renders the set \mathcal{M}_r robustly controlled forward invariant for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$.

Proof: The robust forward pre-invariance of \mathcal{M}_r for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ follows from a direct application of Theorem 3.16. More precisely, when conditions in Theorem 3.18 hold, every condition in Theorem 3.16 holds for a hybrid system $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{u,w}$ that has flow map, jump map, and jump set given as $F_{u,w}$, $G_{u,w}$, and $D_{u,w}$, respectively, and flow set

given by

$$\tilde{C}_{u,w} = \{(x, u_c, w_c) \in C_{u,w} : u \in \Theta_c(x)\}.$$

The set $\tilde{C}_{u,w}$ is closed. We show this by considering the sequence $(x_i, u_i, w_i) \in \tilde{C}_{u,w}$, for every i , converges to (x, u, w) , which is in $C_{u,w}$ since $C_{u,w}$ is closed. By definition of $\tilde{C}_{u,w}$, $u_i \in \Theta_c(x_i)$ for every i . Because Θ_c has closed values, $u \in \Theta_c(x)$. Hence, $(x, u, w) \in \tilde{C}_{u,w}$. Applying Theorem 3.16, there exists a state-feedback pair (κ_c, κ_d) that renders \mathcal{M}_r robustly controlled forward pre-invariant for $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{u,w}$ with κ_c and κ_d being continuous on M_c and M_d , respectively. Since for every $x \in \Pi_c(C_{u,w})$, such $\kappa_c(x) \in \Theta_c(x) \subset \Psi_c^u(x)$, this implies such pair (κ_c, κ_d) is also $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ -admissible. Moreover, every solution pair to the closed-loop system resulting from $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ controlled by (κ_c, κ_d) , i.e., \mathcal{H}_w , is also a solution pair to the closed-loop system of $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{u,w}$ controlled by the same pair (κ_c, κ_d) , i.e., $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_w$. We show this via contradiction. Suppose there exist a solution pair $(\phi^*, w^*) \in \mathcal{S}_{\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_w}$ such that $(\phi^*, w^*) \notin \mathcal{S}_{\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_w}$. Since $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{u,w}$ and $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ share the same jump map and jump set, if ϕ^* is pure discrete, then (ϕ^*, w^*) is also a solution pair to $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$. In the case that ϕ^* is not pure discrete, by item (S1_w) of Definition 2.1 and the fact that $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{u,w}$ and $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ share the same flow map, there exists j^* with I^{j^*} with nonempty interior, such that

$$(\phi^*(t, j^*), w^*(t, j^*)) \in C_w \quad (32)$$

$$(\phi^*(t, j^*), w^*(t, j^*)) \notin \tilde{C}_w. \quad (33)$$

Utilizing the projection maps introduced in Section II near (2), (32) implies $\phi^*(t, j^*) \in \Pi_c^w(C_w)$ and

$$w^*(t, j^*) \in \Phi_c^w(\phi^*(t, j^*), \kappa_c(\phi^*(t, j^*))).$$

By definition of $\tilde{C}_{u,w}$, $\Pi_c^w(\tilde{C}_w) = \Pi_c^w(C_w)$, hence, together with (33), it must be that

$$w^*(t, j^*) \notin \{w_c : (\phi^*(t, j^*), \kappa_c(\phi^*(t, j^*), w_c) \in \tilde{C}_{u,w}\}$$

which leads to the contradiction to the fact that $\tilde{C}_{u,w} \subset C_{u,w}$. Hence, such (κ_c, κ_d) renders \mathcal{M}_r robustly controlled forward pre-invariant for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$.

According to Theorem A.7, since the set M_c is closed, there exists a continuous extension of κ_c from $\mathcal{I}(r, r^*) \cap \Pi_c(C_{u,w})$ to \mathbb{R}^n with $\kappa_c(x) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ for every $x \in \text{int} L_V(r) \cap \Pi_c(C_{u,w})$.⁹ Then, applying such pair (κ_c, κ_d) , with κ_c and κ_d being continuous on $L_V(r) \cap \Pi_c(C_{u,w})$ and M_d , respectively, Lemma 2.3 implies the closed-loop system is such that F_w is outer semicontinuous, locally bounded and has nonempty and convex values on $(\mathcal{M}_r \times \mathcal{W}_c) \cap C_w$. Hence, item (A2_w) in Definition 2.2 holds for closed-loop system $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}$. Then, applying Theorem 3.14, we show that the pair (κ_c, κ_d) renders set \mathcal{M}_r robustly controlled forward invariant for $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}$. For every $x \in \Pi_c^w(C_w)$, $(x, 0) \in C_w$ by assumption. Inequalities (20) and (21) follow from (29) and (30) for the given pair (V, r^*) . Next, (29) implies condition 3.14.11). Condition 3.14.2) follows from the definition of Θ_c in (31). Since (29) and the fact that $\rho_c(x)$ is positive for every $x \in M_c$, $\langle \nabla V(x), \xi \rangle < 0$, for every $x \in M_c$ and $\xi \in F_{u,w}(x, \kappa_c(x), 0)$. Then, (18) and (31) together implies the feedback $\kappa_c(x)$ selected from $\Theta_c(x)$ for every $x \in M_c$ are such that $F_w(x, 0) \cap T_{\Pi_c^w(C_w)}(x) \neq \emptyset$. Thus, item 3.14.3) holds. Item 3.14.4) holds by assumption. The definition of Θ_d in (7) implies (22) holds. Hence, the set \mathcal{M}_r is robustly controlled forward invariant for $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}$ via the selected (κ_c, κ_d) . Furthermore, as showed earlier, the pair (κ_c, κ_d) is $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ -admissible and

⁹Note that the selected κ_c in proof of Theorem 3.16 is not necessarily continuous on $\Pi_c(C_{u,w})$.

renders the set \mathcal{M}_r robustly controlled forward invariant for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ by Definition 3.2. ■

Theorem 3.18 uses an alternative RCLF for forward invariance that is defined based on Θ_c as in (31) instead of Ψ_c^u as in Definition 3.6. This RCLF leads to the existence of state-feedbacks rendering \mathcal{M}_r robust controlled forward invariance for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$. By selecting κ_c from the map Θ_c in (31) rather than the generic map Ψ_c^u , we guarantee existence of nontrivial solution pairs from every $x \in \mathcal{M}_r \setminus \Pi_d(D_{u,w})$. This follows from an application of Lemma A.9 and the fact that items 3.14.1), 3.14.3), and 3.14.4) in Theorem 3.14 hold. Moreover, item 3.14.4) ensures completeness of every $(\phi, w) \in \mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}_w}(\mathcal{M}_r)$.

Remark 3.19: Results about selecting feedbacks from regulation maps for nominal hybrid systems (without perturbations), developed using a different set conditions and notion of control Lyapunov functions for forward invariance appeared in [29] (see details in [29, Definition 4.1]). More precisely, the results in [29] are derived from sufficient conditions for forward invariance of generic sets and are not tailored to sublevel sets of V . In particular, in [29], to guarantee that the state component of every solution pair remains in \mathcal{M}_r , the feedback law κ_c needs to be locally Lipschitz (see [29, Th. 4.7, R4]). To get such a property, condition [29, Th. 4.7, R1']) asks the regulation map $\tilde{\Theta}_c$ to be locally Lipschitz, leading to κ_c being a Lipschitz selection. By exploiting results in Section III-B, Theorem 3.18 only requires κ_c to be a continuous selection.

Remark 3.20: In the case where control inputs affect only the jumps, the conditions in Theorem 3.16 lead to robustly controlled forward invariance of $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$, provided (20) holds during flows. Similarly, when control inputs affect only the flows, the conditions involving $F_{u,w}$ and $C_{u,w}$ in Theorem 3.16, together with (21), lead to robust controlled forward invariance of \mathcal{M}_r . In addition, the results in this section can be applied to purely continuous-time and purely discrete-time systems by defining RCLF for forward invariance only based on (10) or (11), respectively.

Example 3.21: (Existence of continuous state-feedback control law for the bouncing ball) First, since

$$M_d = \{0\} \times [-\sqrt{2E_{\max}}, -\sqrt{\gamma h_{\min}}]$$

and $\Psi_d^u(x) = \mathcal{U}_d$, 3.16.1) in Theorem 3.16 holds for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$. Following the steps in Section III-A, we construct the regulation map Γ_d . Since there is no control input during flows, we omit defining Γ_c . Moreover, since the input u_d is only active when $(x, u_d, w_d) \in D_1$, we define the map Γ_d based on G_1 only. Then, for $r = -\gamma h_{\min}$ and for every $(x, u_d) \in \{(x, u_d) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathcal{U}_d : (x, u_d, w_d) \in (L_V(r) \times \mathcal{U}_d \times \mathcal{W}_d) \cap D_1\}$, with $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$, Γ_d is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_d(x, u_d) &= \max_{w_d \in [e_1, e_2]} V(G_1(x, u_d, w_d)) + \frac{\rho_d(x)}{2} - r \\ &= -\frac{(u_d - e_1 x_2)^2}{2} + \gamma \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2} + h_{\min} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Item 3.16.2) in Theorem 3.16 holds since, for each $x \in M_d$, the function $u_d \mapsto \Gamma_d(x, u_d)$ is convex on $\Theta_d(x)$. For each $x \in \mathbb{R}^2$, the map S_d in (27) is given by

$$S_d(x) := \begin{cases} \{u_d \in \Theta_d(x) : \gamma \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2} + h_{\min} \right) - \frac{(u_d - e_1 x_2)^2}{2} < 0\} & \text{if } x \in L_V(r) \cap \Pi_d(D_1) \\ \mathbb{R} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}. \quad (34)$$

In addition, $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ given in (4) satisfies conditions (A1')–(A3') in Lemma 2.3. According to Theorem 3.16, there exists a state feedback $\kappa_d : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ that is continuous on M_d . In particular, such a feedback is selected from the closure of the map S_d given in (34), which reduces

to an interval

$$\overline{S_d}(x) := \left[\max \left\{ \sqrt{2\gamma \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2} + h_{\min} \right)} + e_1 x_2, 0 \right\}, \sqrt{2E_{\max}} + e_2 x_2 \right]. \quad (35)$$

One such continuous selection is

$$\kappa_d(x) := \sqrt{\frac{\gamma \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2} + h_{\min} \right)}{E_{\max}}} x_2 + \sqrt{2\gamma \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2} + h_{\min} \right)}. \quad (36)$$

Applying [1, Th. 4.15 and Lemma 4.12], we verify that our design of κ_d in (36) indeed renders \mathcal{M}_r robustly controlled forward invariant for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$. To this end, we check the corner cases of jumps from $\mathcal{M}_r \cap \Pi_d(D_1)$ and from $\mathcal{M}_r \cap \Pi_d(D_2)$. More precisely, the worst case for impact with zero height is when x is such that $x_2 = -\sqrt{2\gamma h_{\min}}$ before the impact and, after the impact, x is updated by the map $G_1(x, \kappa_d(x), e_1)$, i.e., $G_1(x, \kappa_d(x), e_1) \geq \sqrt{2\gamma \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2} + h_{\min} \right)}$ since $\sqrt{\gamma \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2} + h_{\min} \right)} < e_1 \sqrt{E_{\max}}$. Simulations are generated to show solutions to $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ controlled by κ_d in (36) with system parameters $\gamma = 9.81$, $h_{\min} = 10$, $h_{\max} = 12$, $v_{\max} = 6\sqrt{\gamma}$, $e_1 = 0.8$, $e_2 = 0.9$, $e_p = 0.95$, $\varepsilon = 0.1$, and $\delta_p = 0.01$.¹⁰ Over the simulation horizon, the disturbance w_d is randomly generated within interval $[e_1, e_2]$, and updated after each impact. One solution that starts from the initial condition for $x(0, 0) = (11, 0)$ is shown in Fig. 3. Fig. 3(a) presents the randomly generated disturbance w_d for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$. Moreover, even under the effect of the disturbance, as desired, the peaks of the resulting height reach values larger than h_{\min} and smaller than h_{\max} as Fig. 3(a) shows. Fig. 3(b) shows, on the (x_1, x_2) plane, that the solution stays within the set \mathcal{M}_r for all time, which is the region bounded by dark green dashed line. \triangle

In the next example, we apply results in this section to design an invariance-based controller for the robotic manipulator introduced in Example 3.9.

Example 3.22: (Existence of continuous feedback control law for the robotic manipulator) Consider the system $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ in Example 3.9. For this system, the set M_c in (18) is equal to $\mathcal{I}(r, r^*)$. Furthermore, since $\partial \Pi_c(C_u) \setminus D = \emptyset$, for every $x \in M_c$, we have $\Theta_c(x) = \Psi_c(x)$. Thus, item 3.18.1) in Theorem 3.18 holds. Next, we construct Γ_c and the regulation map following the steps in Section III-C.¹¹ For $r < r^* = b\bar{v}^2$ and for every $(x, u_c) \in \{(x, u_c) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathcal{U}_c : x \in L_V(r)\}$, with $\sigma = \frac{1}{2}$, Γ_c is given by $\Gamma_c(x, u_c) = \max_{\xi \in F_u(x, u_c)} \langle \nabla V(x), \xi \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \rho_c(x)$. As presented in Example 3.9, when (14) and (15) hold, the continuous feedback law

$$\kappa_c(x) = -k_p x_1 - k_d x_2 \quad (37)$$

renders the set \mathcal{M}_r in (13) robust controlled forward invariant for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ therein. The existence of such continuous feedback follows from Theorem 3.16 since, for each $x \in M_c$, $u_c \mapsto \Gamma_c(x, u_c)$ is convex on $\Theta_c(x)$ and $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ satisfies conditions (A1')–(A3') in Lemma 2.3. Next, we design the gain of such a feedback law to satisfy (14) and (15). Consider $r = \frac{4}{5} r^* = \frac{4}{5} b\bar{v}^2$ and the RCLF, i.e., V in (12), that is defined with $P = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. The working environment has parameters $k_c = 0.1$ and $b_c = 0.02$, the velocity threshold is $\bar{v} = 0.6$, the coefficient of restitution parameters are $e_2 = 0.9$ and $e_1 = 0.8$, and the maximum

¹⁰All simulations, in this section, are generated via the hybrid equations (HyEQ) toolbox for MATLAB (see [47]). Code available at <https://github.com/HybridSystemsLab/InvariantBouncingBall> and at <https://github.com/HybridSystemsLab/InvariantPointMass>.

¹¹Due to the absence of control inputs during jumps, we omit defining Γ_d .

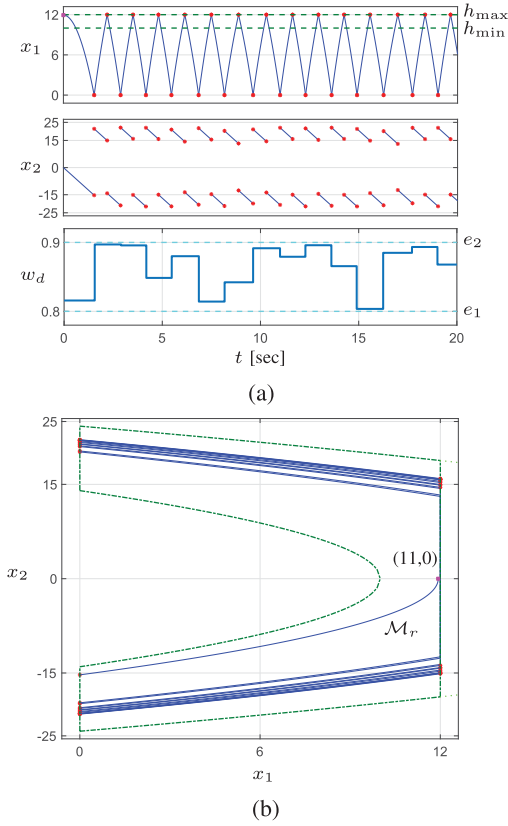


Fig. 3. Simulation of $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ controlled by κ_d in (36). (a) Height and velocity of the ball and w_d . (b) State component of closed-loop solution on the (x_1, x_2) plane.

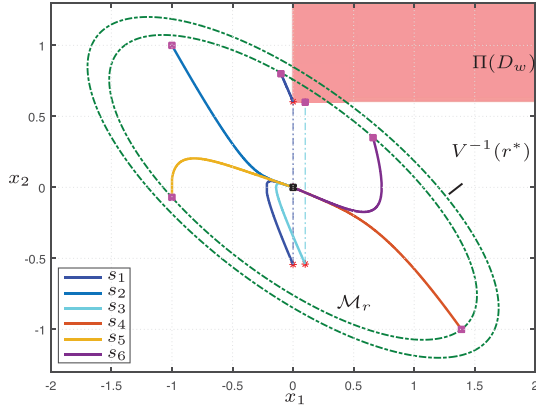


Fig. 4. Simulation of $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ in Example 3.5 controlled by κ_c in (37).

allowed input is $f_{\max} = 10$. We simulate several solutions to $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ controlled by κ_c given in (37) with gain $k = [-0.5 \ -2]$.

As shown in Fig. 4, the inner green dash line is the boundary of set \mathcal{M}_r and the outer green dash line is the r^* -level set of V . Six solutions are shown in Fig. 4. Each solution starts with an initial condition (labeled as square pink points) that is within the set \mathcal{M}_r and converges to the origin (labeled as a square black point) in the limit. Solutions labeled s_1 and s_3 exhibit jumps when the trajectory reach set D (the shaded red square), and the jumps are represented with red stars and dotted lines that match the color of

each solution. Note that all solutions stay within the set \mathcal{M}_r , as expected. \triangle

D. Systematic Design of Pair (κ_c, κ_d) for Robust Controlled Forward Invariance

Inspired by the pointwise minimum norm results in [44] and [28, Th. 5.1], we construct state-feedback pairs rendering the set \mathcal{M}_r as in (19) robust controlled forward invariant. We employ Theorem 3.16 to show that the resulting closed-loop has the desired property.

For a given pair (V, r^*) defining a RCLF for forward invariance as in Definition 3.6, we first construct appropriate functions Γ_c, Γ_d and regulation maps S_c, S_d in Section III-A. When 3.16.2) in Theorem 3.16 holds, $u_c \mapsto \Gamma_c(x, u_c)$ is convex on $\Psi_c^u(x)$ for every $x \in M_c$, and $u_d \mapsto \Gamma_d(x, u_d)$ is convex on $\Theta_d(x)$ for every $x \in M_d$. Hence, the maps S_c and S_d have nonempty and convex values on \mathbb{R}^n . According to [48, Th. 4.10], for every $x \in L_V(r^*) \cap \Pi_c(C_{u,w})$ and $x \in L_V(r^*) \cap \Pi_d(D_{u,w})$, respectively, the closure of $S_c(x)$ and $S_d(x)$, i.e., $\overline{S_c(x)}$ and $\overline{S_d(x)}$, have unique element of minimum norm. Thus, we construct the state-feedback laws $\kappa_c^m : L_V(r^*) \cap \Pi_c(C_{u,w}) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}_c$ and $\kappa_d^m : L_V(r^*) \cap \Pi_d(D_{u,w}) \rightarrow \mathcal{U}_d$ as

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa_c^m(x) &:= \arg \min_{u_c \in \overline{S_c(x)}} |u_c| \quad \forall x \in L_V(r^*) \cap \Pi_c(C_{u,w}) \\ \kappa_d^m(x) &:= \arg \min_{u_d \in \overline{S_d(x)}} |u_d| \quad \forall x \in L_V(r^*) \cap \Pi_d(D_{u,w}). \end{aligned} \quad (38)$$

Moreover, such state-feedback pair enjoys continuity when the maps Ψ_c^u and Θ_d satisfy 3.16.1). We capture these in the following result.

Theorem 3.23: (pointwise minimum norm state-feedback laws for robust controlled forward pre-invariance) Consider a hybrid system $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ as in (1) satisfying conditions (A1')–(A3') in Lemma 2.3. Suppose there exists a pair (V, r^*) that defines a RCLF for forward invariance of $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ as in Definition 3.6. Let $r < r^*$ satisfy (8)–(11) and Θ_d be given as in (7). Furthermore, suppose conditions 3.16.1) and 3.16.2) in Theorem 3.16 hold. Then, the state-feedback pair (κ_c^m, κ_d^m) given as in (38) renders the set \mathcal{M}_r in (19) robustly controlled forward pre-invariant for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$. Moreover, κ_c^m and κ_d^m are continuous on set M_c and M_d as in (18), respectively.

Proof: The first claim follows from similar proof steps in Theorem 3.16. In particular, since κ_c^m and κ_d^m are selected from the closure of S_c and S_d , i.e., $\kappa_c^m(x) \in \overline{S_c(x)}$ and $\kappa_d^m(x) \in \overline{S_d(x)}$, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa_c^m(x) &\in \Psi_c^u(x), \quad \Gamma_c(x, \kappa_c^m(x)) \leq 0 \quad \forall x \in M_c \\ \kappa_d^m(x) &\in \Theta_d(x), \quad \Gamma_d(x, \kappa_d^m(x)) \leq 0 \quad \forall x \in M_d \end{aligned}$$

which lead to

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{\xi \in F_{u,w}(x, \kappa_c^m(x), w_c)} \langle \nabla V(x), \xi \rangle + \rho_c(x) &\leq 0 \\ \forall (x, \kappa_c^m(x), w_c) &\in \tilde{C}_{u,w} \\ \sup_{\xi \in G_{u,w}(x, \kappa_d^m(x), w_d)} V(\xi) + \rho_d(x) - r &\leq 0 \\ \forall (x, \kappa_d^m(x), w_d) &\in \tilde{D}_{u,w}. \end{aligned} \quad (39)$$

The feedback pair (κ_c^m, κ_d^m) can be extended to every point in $\Pi_c(C_{u,w})$ and $\Pi_d(D_{u,w})$, respectively, by selecting values from the nonempty sets $\Psi_c^u(x)$ for every $x \in \Pi_c(C_{u,w})$ and $\Theta_d(x)$ for every $x \in \Pi_d(D_{u,w})$. Then, applying Theorem 3.10, we establish the robust controlled forward pre-invariance of \mathcal{M}_r for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ via (κ_c^m, κ_d^m) .

Finally, the continuity of κ_c^m and κ_d^m follow directly from Proposition 1. In particular, maps $\overline{S_c}$ and $\overline{S_d}$ are lower semicontinuous with nonempty closed convex values as shown in proof of Theorem 3.16. \blacksquare

A similar result to Theorem 3.23 can be derived using Theorem 3.18 to render \mathcal{M}_r robustly controlled forward invariant for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ via (κ_c^m, κ_d^m) . In such a case, the feedback law κ_c^m is selected from the closure of a map S_c that is defined using Θ_c given as in (31) instead of using Ψ_c^u . More precisely, we consider the state feedback laws κ_c^m defined as in (38) with S_c given by

$$S_c(x) := \begin{cases} \{u_c \in \Theta_c(x) : \Gamma_c(x, u_c) < 0\} & \text{if } x \in M_c \\ \mathbb{R}^{m_c} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (40)$$

In addition to conditions 3.18.1) and 3.18.2) in Theorem 3.18, robustly controlled forward invariance of \mathcal{M}_r requires item 3.14.4) in Theorem 3.14 to hold for the closed-loop system \mathcal{H}_w . We formally present such a result as follows.

Theorem 3.24: (pointwise minimum norm state-feedback laws for robust controlled forward invariance) Consider a hybrid system $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ as in (1) satisfying conditions (A1')–(A3') in Lemma 2.3. Suppose there exists a pair (V, r^*) that defines a RCLF for forward invariance for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ as in Definition 3.6. Let $r < r^*$ satisfy (8)–(11), Θ_c and Θ_d be given as in (31) and (7), respectively. Furthermore, suppose conditions 3.18.1) and 3.18.2) in Theorem 3.18 hold. Then, the state-feedback pair (κ_c^m, κ_d^m) given as in (38) defined using S_c as in (40) renders the set \mathcal{M}_r in (19) robustly controlled forward invariant for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ if condition 3.14.4) in Theorem 3.14 holds for the closed-loop system \mathcal{H}_w . Moreover, κ_c^m and κ_d^m are continuous on the sets M_c and M_d as in (18), respectively.

Proof: The proof resembles the one for Theorem 3.23. In particular, the selection (κ_c^m, κ_d^m) given as in (38) defined using S_c as in (40) leads to

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa_c^m(x) &\in \Theta_c(x), & \Gamma_c(x, \kappa_c^m(x)) &\leq 0 & \forall x \in M_c \\ \kappa_d^m(x) &\in \Theta_d(x), & \Gamma_d(x, \kappa_d^m(x)) &\leq 0 & \forall x \in M_d \end{aligned}$$

which, in turn, leads to the inequalities in (39). The feedback pair (κ_c^m, κ_d^m) can be extended to every point in $\Pi_c(C_{u,w})$ and $\Pi_d(D_{u,w})$, respectively, by selecting values from the nonempty sets $\Theta_c(x)$ for every $x \in \Pi_c(C_{u,w})$ and $\Theta_d(x)$ for every $x \in \Pi_d(D_{u,w})$. Then, applying Theorem 3.14, we establish robust controlled forward pre-invariance of \mathcal{M}_r for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ via (κ_c^m, κ_d^m) with the addition of condition 3.14.4) in Theorem 3.14 for the closed-loop system \mathcal{H}_w . Then, the continuity of κ_c^m and κ_d^m follow directly from Proposition 1. ■

Next, applying Theorem 3.24, a control law with minimum pointwise norm rendering the set \mathcal{M}_r in (25) robustly controlled forward invariant for the bouncing ball system $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ is provided.

Example 3.25: (Minimum norm selection for the bouncing ball system) Consider the feedback law

$$\kappa_d^m(x) = \arg \min_{u_d \in S_d(x)} |u_d|$$

where $\overline{S_d(x)}$ is as in (35). It leads to the continuous state-feedback law

$$\kappa_d^m(x) = \max \left\{ \sqrt{2\gamma \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2} + h_{\min} \right)} + e_1 x_2, 0 \right\} \quad (41)$$

for every $x \in \mathcal{M}_r \cap \Pi_d(D_1)$. Following same steps as in Example 3.21, it can be shown that \mathcal{M}_r in (25) is robustly controlled forward invariant for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ via κ_d^m .

Simulations are generated for $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ controlled by κ_d^m given as in (41) with the same system settings as in Example 3.21. One solution that starts from the same initial condition $x = (11, 0)$ is shown in Fig. 5. As shown in Fig. 5(a), the peaks of the height in between impacts are between $h_{\min} = 10$ and $h_{\max} = 12$, while on the (x_1, x_2) plane, the trajectory stays within the set \mathcal{M}_r , which is the region bounded by dark green dashed lines.

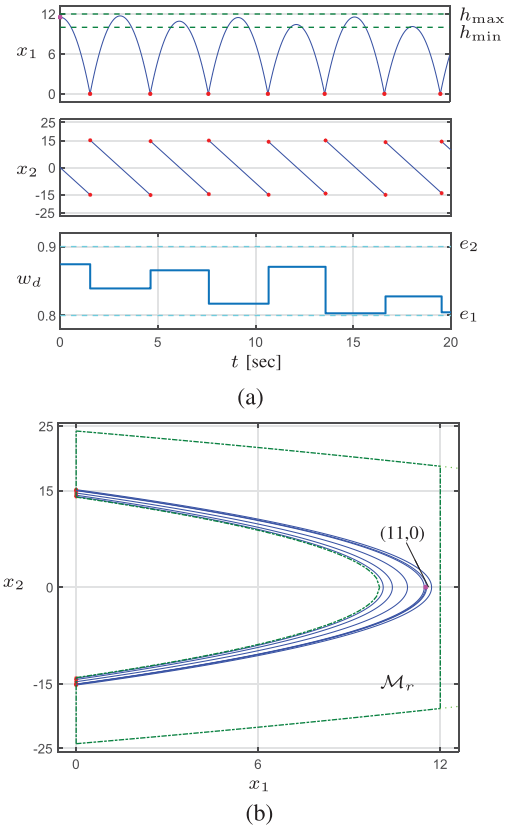


Fig. 5. Simulation of $\mathcal{H}_{u,w}$ controlled by κ_d^m in (41). (a) Ball position and velocity and w_d . (b) Solution on the (x_1, x_2) plane.

As expected, compared with Fig. 3(a), we observe in Fig. 5(a) that there are only 7 impacts with the controlled surface within the time span of 0 to 20 s, whereas there are 14 impacts in Fig. 3(a) and every impact is followed with a pull. This indicates that less energy is used to bounce the ball at the controlled surface to maintain peak position within range $[h_{\min}, h_{\max}]$. This is also verified by the input values from both controllers, where the state-feedback κ_d^m has smaller value than the controller κ_d in Example 3.21. △

IV. CONCLUSION

We propose methods for the design of controllers that render sets robust controlled forward invariant for hybrid dynamical systems. The hybrid systems are modeled using differential and difference inclusions with state, control inputs, and disturbance constraints. The robust controlled forward invariance properties are guaranteed by conditions on the data of the system, using CLFs for forward invariance. The invariance property is guaranteed for the closed-loop system resulting from using a feedback controller. When a set K enjoys such properties, solutions to the closed-loop system evolve within the set they start from, even under the presence of disturbances.

Conditions on the data of the closed-loop system guaranteeing that sublevel sets of a given Lyapunov-like function are robustly forward invariant are presented. Such conditions take advantage of the non-increasing properties of V near the boundary of its sublevel sets. To guarantee existence of nontrivial solution pairs from every point in such sublevel sets and completeness of every maximal solution pair, assumptions similar to those in [1, Th. 5.1] are enforced. When

compared with the conditions in [1, Th. 5.1], on C_w required here are less restrictive as it does not require the flow set to be regular.

To systematically construct feedback pairs that render sets forward invariant uniformly in disturbances, we introduce control Lyapunov functions for forward invariance. Such functions are not necessarily nonincreasing within the set to render forward invariant. The proposed RCLF notions are conveniently used to derive conditions for the existence of continuous state-feedback laws inducing forward invariance. The idea is to select feedback control from two carefully constructed set-valued maps, called the regulation maps. Very importantly, the new RCLF notion is employed to synthesize state-feedback laws with pointwise minimum norm that effectively guarantee forward invariance. For the stronger robust controlled forward invariance case, where completeness is required for every maximal solution pair within the set, a regulation map for flows involving the tangent cone of the flow set is derived from the well-known Nagumo Theorem.

Research on properties of the chosen selections using inverse optimality are undergoing. Future research directions also include the development of barrier certificates for hybrid systems (see initial results in [41]).

A. Definitions and Related Results

Definition A.1: (outer semicontinuity of set-valued maps) A set-valued map $S : \mathbb{R}^n \rightrightarrows \mathbb{R}^m$ is outer semicontinuous at $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ if for each sequence $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^\infty$ converging to a point $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and each sequence $y_i \in S(x_i)$ converging to a point y , it holds that $y \in S(x)$ (see [49, Definition 5.4]). Given a set $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, it is outer semicontinuous relative to K if the set-valued mapping from \mathbb{R}^n to \mathbb{R}^m defined by $S(x)$ for $x \in K$ and \emptyset for $x \notin K$ is outer semicontinuous at each $x \in K$. \square

Definition A.2: (lower semicontinuous set-valued maps) A set-valued map $S : \mathbb{R}^n \rightrightarrows \mathbb{R}^m$ is lower semicontinuous if for every $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, one has that $\liminf_{x_i \rightarrow x} S(x_i) \supset S(x)$, where

$$\liminf_{x_i \rightarrow x} S(x_i) := \{z : \forall x_i \rightarrow x, \exists z_i \rightarrow z \text{ s.t. } z_i \in S(x_i)\}$$

is the inner limit of S (see [49, Ch. 5.B]).

Lemma A.3: ([50, Th. 2.9.10]) Given a set $S := \{x : h(x) \leq 0\}$, suppose that, for every $x \in \{x : h(x) = 0\}$, h is directionally Lipschitz at x with $0 \notin \nabla h(x) \neq \emptyset$ and the collection of vectors $Y := \{y : \langle \nabla h(x), y \rangle < \infty\}$ is nonempty. Then, S admits a hypertangent at x and

- 1) $y \in T_S(x)$ if $\langle \nabla h(x), y \rangle \leq 0$;
- 2) $\exists y \in \text{int}T_S(x) \cap \text{int}Y$ s.t. $\langle \nabla h(x), y \rangle < 0$.

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Corollary A.4: ([50, Corollary 2 of Th. 2.9.8]) Let $C_1, C_2 \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ and $x \in C_1 \cap C_2$. Suppose that

$$T_{C_1}(x) \cap \text{int}T_{C_2}(x) \neq \emptyset$$

and that C_2 admits at least one hypertangent vector at x . Then, if C_1 and C_2 are regular at x , one has

$$T_{C_1}(x) \cap T_{C_2}(x) = T_{C_1 \cap C_2}(x).$$

Corollary A.5: ([44, Corollary 2.13]) Given a lower semicontinuous set-valued map W and an upper semicontinuous function w , the set-valued map defined for each z as $S(z) := \{z' \in W(z) : w(z, z') < 0\}$ is lower semicontinuous.

Theorem A.6: (Michael selection Theorem, [44, Th. 2.18]) Given a lower semicontinuous set-valued map $S : \mathbb{R}^n \rightrightarrows \mathbb{R}^m$

with nonempty, convex, and closed values, there exists a continuous selection $s : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$.

Theorem A.7: ([51, Th. 4.1]) Given a closed set $A \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ and a continuous map $s : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$, there exists a continuous extension $\tilde{s} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ of s . Furthermore, $\tilde{s}(x) \subset \overline{\text{co}}(s(A))$ for every $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Proposition A.8: (Minimal selection Theorem [44, Proposition 2.19]) Let the set-valued map $S : \mathbb{R}^n \rightrightarrows \mathbb{R}^m$ be lower semicontinuous with closed graph and nonempty closed convex values. Then, the minimal selection $m : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$, which is given by

$$m(x) := \arg \min \{|z| : z \in S(x)\}$$

is locally bounded, and if $\text{gph } m$ is closed and, then, $m(x)$ is continuous.

Lemma A.9: Consider a closed set $C_w \subset \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{W}_c$ that has $0 \in \Psi_c^w(x)$ for every $x \in \Pi_c^w(C_w)$ and a map $F_w : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathcal{W}_c \rightrightarrows \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying item (A2_w) in Definition 2.2. Suppose there exists a pair (V, r^*) , where the continuous function V is continuously differentiable on an open set containing $L_V(r^*)$ and $r^* \in \mathbb{R}$ is such that, for some $r < r^*$, items (20) and 3.14.1)-3.14.3) hold. Then, for every $x \in \partial(\mathcal{M}_r \cap \Pi_c^w(C_w)) \setminus \Pi_d^w(D_w)$

$$F_w(x, 0) \cap T_{\mathcal{M}_r \cap \Pi_c^w(C_w)}(x) \neq \emptyset. \quad (42)$$

Proof: Let $r < r^*$ satisfy the properties in the statement of the claim. Let $K_1 = \text{int}(L_V(r)) \cap \partial \Pi_c^w(C_w)$, $K_2 = V^{-1}(r) \cap \text{int}(\Pi_c^w(C_w))$, and $K_3 = V^{-1}(r) \cap \partial \Pi_c^w(C_w)$. It is obvious that K_1, K_2 , and K_3 are disjoint and $\bigcup_{i=1}^3 K_i \setminus \Pi_d^w(D_w) = \partial(\mathcal{M}_r \cap \Pi_c^w(C_w)) \setminus \Pi_d^w(D_w)$. We have the following three cases.

- 1) For every $x \in K_1 \setminus \Pi_d^w(D_w)$, since $T_{\mathcal{M}_r \cap \Pi_c^w(C_w)}(x) = T_{\Pi_c^w(C_w)}(x)$, item 3.14.2) implies (42).
- 2) For every $x \in K_2 \setminus \Pi_d^w(D_w)$, we have $T_{\mathcal{M}_r \cap \Pi_c^w(C_w)}(x) = T_{L_V(r)}(x)$. Applying item 1 of Lemma A.3 to every such x with $h(x) = V(x) - r$, hence, $S = L_V(r)$, and with any point in $F_w(x, w_c)$ playing the role of y , we have that (20) and item 3.14.1) imply $F_w(x, w_c) \subset T_{L_V(r)}(x)$ for every $w_c \in \Psi_c^u(x)$. Then, with the assumption that $0 \in \Psi_c^w(x)$ for every $x \in \Pi_c^w(C_w)$, (42) holds.
- 3) For every $x \in K_3 \setminus \Pi_d^w(D_w)$, we argue that there exists a vector $\xi \in F_w(x, 0) \cap T_{\Pi_c^w(C_w)}(x)$ that is also contained in $T_{L_V(r) \cap \Pi_c^w(C_w)}(x)$. To this end, for every $x \in K_3 \setminus \Pi_d^w(D_w)$, consider $\xi \in \Xi_x$ as defined in 3.14.3). For a given $x \in K_3 \setminus \Pi_d^w(D_w)$, let

$$\tilde{C}_x := \{x + \alpha \xi : \alpha \geq 0\} \cap \Pi_c^w(C_w).$$

If $\tilde{C}_x = \{x\}$, we have $\xi = 0$ by the fact that $x \in K_3 \subset \Pi_c^w(C_w)$ and item 3.14.2), which contradicts with item 3.14.3). Hence, for every such x , \tilde{C}_x has more than one point and $\xi \neq 0$. Then, there exists $x' \neq x$ such that $x' = (\alpha' \xi + x) \in \tilde{C}_x$. By definition of \tilde{C}_x , for each $\lambda \in [0, 1]$, $x'' = \lambda x + (1 - \lambda)x'$ is also in \tilde{C}_x . Let $C_x = \text{con}\{x, x'\}$. By construction, C_x is a convex subset of \tilde{C}_x and is not a singleton. Next, for every $x \in K_3 \setminus \Pi_d^w(D_w)$, we apply Corollary 1 with $C_1 = C_x$ and $C_2 = L_V(r)$.

Item 3.14.3) implies $T_{C_x}(x) \cap \text{int}T_{L_V(r)}(x) \neq \emptyset$. Applying Lemma A.3 with $h(x) = V(x) - r$, the set $L_V(r)$ admits a hypertangent at every $x \in V^{-1}(r) \cap \Pi_c^w(C_w)$. Then, [50, Corollary 2 of Th. 2.4.7 (p. 56)] implies the set $L_V(r)$ is regular at every x with $f(x) = V(x) - r$. Since set C_x is regular at x by construction, Corollary 1 implies that for every $x \in K_3 \setminus \Pi_d^w(D_w)$

$$T_{C_x}(x) \cap T_{L_V(r)}(x) = T_{L_V(r) \cap C_x}(x).$$

Because of the properties of tangent cones in [52, Table 4.3, item (1)] and the fact that $C_x \cap L_V(r) \subset \Pi_c^w(C_w) \cap L_V(r)$ by construction of C_x , we also have

$$T_{L_V(r) \cap C_x}(x) \subset T_{L_V(r) \cap \Pi_c^w(C_w)}(x).$$

Then, by definition of tangent cone, $\xi \in T_{C_x}(x)$ and $\xi \in (T_{L_V(r)}(x) \cap T_{C_x}(x)) \subset T_{L_V(r) \cap \Pi_c^w(C_w)}(x)$. Therefore, by assumption, since $\xi \in F_w(x, 0) \cap T_{\Pi_c^w(C_w)}(x)$ and the fact that $\mathcal{M}_r \cap \Pi_c^w(C_w) = L_V(r) \cap \Pi_c^w(C_w)$, (42) holds for every $x \in K_3 \setminus \Pi_d^w(D_w)$. ■

B. Proof of Theorem 3.14

First, applying [1, Proposition 3.4], there exists a nontrivial solution pair to \mathcal{H}_w from every $x \in \mathcal{M}_r$. Then, it follows from Theorem 3.10 that \mathcal{M}_r is robustly forward pre-invariant for \mathcal{H}_w . Such a property implies that every maximal solution pair (ϕ, w) to \mathcal{H}_w from \mathcal{M}_r has $\text{rge } \phi \subset \mathcal{M}_r$. Next, we show by applying [1, Proposition 3.4] that every maximal solution pair (ϕ, w) to \mathcal{H}_w starting from \mathcal{M}_r is also complete. Case b.1.1) in [1, Proposition 3.4] is excluded for every $(\phi, w) \in \mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{H}_w}(\mathcal{M}_r)$ since $\mathcal{M}_r \cap \Pi_c^w(C_w)$ is closed. Cases b.1.2) and c.2) are excluded since (42) holds for every $x \in \mathcal{M}_r \setminus \Pi_d^w(D_w)$. This follows from Lemma A.9, and the fact that $\mathcal{M}_r \subset \Pi_c^w(C_w) \cup \Pi_d^w(D_w)$ and $T_{L_V(r) \cap \Pi_c^w(C_w)}(x) = \mathbb{R}^n$ for every $x \in \text{int}(L_V(r) \cap \Pi_c^w(C_w))$. Case b.2) is not possible for every maximal solution from \mathcal{M}_r by assumption 3.14.4). Finally, when (22) holds, namely $G_w((\mathcal{M}_r \times \mathcal{W}_d) \cap D_w) \subset \mathcal{M}_r$, case c.1) in [1, Proposition 3.4] does not hold. Therefore, only case a) is true for every maximal solution pair starting from \mathcal{M}_r . Hence, \mathcal{M}_r is robustly forward invariant for \mathcal{H}_w .

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