

Formal Design Theories and Tools for Safety-Critical Cyber-Physical Systems

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Part 2 : Verification

Hybrid Hoare Logic [[APLAS'10](#), [CoRR abs/2303.15020](#)]

Model-Checking vs Theorem-Proving

Model-checking

- CPS are modelled as **hybrid automata**, and verification is conducted by computing reachable sets.
- **Advantages :**
 - ⇒ Models are very intuitive
 - ⇒ Automatic
 - ⇒ Counter-examples
- **Disadvantages :**
 - ⇒ Lackness of compositionality
 - ⇒ High complexity and undecidability
 - ⇒ Bounded time
 - ⇒ Scalability
- **How to compute reachable set is challenging**, many techniques based on abstraction, approximation, numeric computation and so on have been proposed

Theorem-proving

- HS are modelled as process algebras-like formalisms, and verification is conducted by theorem proving based on an underlined **specification logic** together with **invariant generation**
- **Advantages :**
 - ⇒ Compositionality
 - ⇒ Scalability
 - ⇒ Unbounded verification
- **Disadvantages :**
 - ⇒ Specification logics are normally complicated, only with weak relative completeness
 - ⇒ Normally interactive, non-automatic, at most semi-automatic
 - ⇒ Low efficiency
 - ⇒ No counter-example
- **How to synthesize more expressive invariants is challenging**, particular, for complicated behavior like DDE, SDE and so on

Related Work on Deductive Verification of HSs

■ Differential dynamic logic (dL)

- Due to Platzer, extension of **dynamic logic** to hybrid systems modelled by **differential programs** ([Platzer 08, Platzer 10])
- Its **continuous relative completeness** and **discrete relative completeness** ([Platzer 12])
- Some variants, e.g., **stochastic differential dynamic logic** ([Platzer 12]), **differential game logic** ([Platzer 15]), **differential refinement logic** ([Loos&Platzer 16]), etc.
- Tool support, **KeYmaera** ([Platzer&Quesel 08])
- **Cannot cope with concurrency and communication in an explicit and compositional way**

■ Hybrid Event-B

- Due to Su, Abrial and Zhu, extension of **Event-B** to hybrid systems ([Su&Abrial&Zhu 14])
- More concerning how to design a correct hybrid system based on refinement theory similar to **action system**
- Tool support, **Roddin**
- **Weak on verification**

■ Others, e.g. **Extended Duration Calculus** (needs oracle for continuous reasoning)

☹ **A powerful specification logic for HSs that can deal with concurrency and communication in a compositional way is desirable!**

A Brief History of Hoare logic

- Hoare Logic for sequential programs
 - **Hoare logic** due to Floyd and Hoare, the cornerstone of **program verification** ([Floyd 67, Hoare 69])
 - **Hoare triple** : $\{Pre\} P \{Post\}$
 - The **relative completeness** wrt the completeness of the assertional logic due to Cook ([Cook 78])
 - Not a complete Hoare proof system for some program constructs ([Clarke 79])
- Extending Hoare Logic to concurrent programs
 - **Hoare logic** for concurrent programs with shared variable, due to Owicki, Gries **et al.** ([Owicki& Gries 76]), **non-interference** for parallel rule, its **relative completeness** in **Cook's sense** ([Owicki 76])
 - **Hoare logic** for CSP due to Apt, Francez and de Roeover ([Apt& Francez & de Rover 80]), **cooperative** for communication rule, and its **relative completeness** in Cook's sense ([Apt 83])
 - **Generalized Hoare logic** for concurrent programs with different models due to Lamport ([Lamport 77, Lamport 80, Lamport& Schneider 84]), and its **relative completeness** (Cousot& Cousot 89])
- Extending Hoare Logic to mutable data structure
 - **Separation logic** due to Reynolds (Reynolds 02])
 - O'Hearn **et al.** developed the logic, even extended it to concurrency ([O'Hearn et al. 07, O'Hearn et al. 09, O'Hearn et al. 11]).

A Brief History of Hoare logic

■ Extending Hoare logic to real-time and hybrid systems

- **Real-time Hoare logic** due to Hooman ([Hooman 94])
- A DC-based **Hybrid Hoare Logic** (HHL) due to Liu et al. ([Liu et al. 11])
 - ⇒ A **hybrid Hoare assertion** is of the form $\{Pre\} P \{Post; HF\}$, Pre and $Post$ are FOL formulas, P is an HCSP process, HF is a DC formula, specifying invariants
 - ⇒ The proof system is not compositional
 - ⇒ [Wang&Zhan&Guelev 12] proposed an assume-guarantee style compositional proof system, and [Guelev&Wang&Zhan 17] proved its **relative completeness** wrt DC
 - An **Isabelle/HOL-based theorem prover** ([Wang&Zhan&Zou 15])
- Recently, we simplified HHL with the following improvements
 - ⇒ The assertion logic is the first-order theory of differential equations, together with some traces predicates
 - ⇒ Its **continuous relative completeness** and **discrete relative completeness**
 - ⇒ An implementation based on Isabelle/HOL

■ Other important extensions of Hoare logic

- **A Hoare-like proof system for partial correctness of probabilistic programs** (Hartog & Vink 02])
- **Relational Hoare logic** (RHL) for comparing two programs ([Benton 04])
- **Probabilistic RHL** (pRHL) for specifying and reasoning about security ([Barthe et al. 13a]), its proof assistant **EasyCrypt** ([Barthe et al. 13b])
- **Quantum Hoare logic** (qHL) ([Ying 11]) and its proof assistant ([Liu et al. 19])
- **Incorrect logic** ([O'Hear 11]) and **incorrect separation logic** ([Raad et al. 20]) for detecting bugs

- More details about the history of Hoare logic pls refer to [Apt&Olderog 19]

Small and Big-step Semantics

Small-step semantics

- Transitions of the form $(c, s) \xrightarrow{e} (c', s')$, denotes that one step of computation transforms process c and state s into process c' and state s' , resulting in event e .
- The transitive closure of small-step semantics is $(c, s) \xrightarrow{tr}^* (c', s')$, where tr is the trace of events.

Big-step semantics

- Transitions of the form $(c, s) \Rightarrow (s', tr)$, denotes that the process c carries initial state s to final state s' with resulting trace tr .

Theorem (Equivalence Between Two Semantics)

- For any big-step relation $(c, s) \Rightarrow (s', tr)$, we have the small-step relation $(c, s) \xrightarrow{tr}^* (skip, s')$.*
- For any small-step relation $(c, s) \xrightarrow{tr}^* (skip, s')$, there exists tr' such that $tr \rightsquigarrow_r tr'$ and $(c, s) \Rightarrow (s', tr')$.*

Small Step Semantics for HCSP

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{p is a solution of the ODE } \dot{x} = e \\
 \frac{\text{p}(0) = s(x) \quad \forall t \in [0, d]. s[x \mapsto p(t)](B)}{(\langle \dot{x} = e \& B \rangle, s) \xrightarrow{\langle d, p, \{ \} \rangle} (\langle \dot{x} = e \& B \rangle, s[x \mapsto p(d)])} \quad \frac{\neg s(B)}{(\langle \dot{x} = e \& B \rangle, s) \xrightarrow{\tau} (\text{skip}, s)} \\
 \text{p is a solution of the ODE } \dot{x} = e \\
 \frac{\text{p}(0) = s(x) \quad \forall t \in [0, d]. s[x \mapsto p(t)](B)}{(\langle \dot{x} = e \& B \rangle \triangleright \prod_{i \in I} (ch_i^* \rightarrow c_i), s) \xrightarrow{\langle d, p, \text{Rdy}(\cup_{i \in I} ch_i^*) \rangle} (\langle \dot{x} = e \& B \rangle \triangleright \prod_{i \in I} (ch_i^* \rightarrow c_i), s[x \mapsto p(d)])} \\
 \frac{\neg s(B)}{(\langle \dot{x} = e \& B \rangle \triangleright \prod_{i \in I} (ch_i^* \rightarrow c_i), s) \xrightarrow{\tau} (\text{skip}, s)} \quad \frac{i \in I \quad ch_i^* = ch!e}{(\langle \dot{x} = e \& B \rangle \triangleright \prod_{i \in I} (ch_i^* \rightarrow c_i), s) \xrightarrow{\langle ch!, s(e) \rangle} (c_i, s)} \\
 \frac{(c_1, s_1) \xrightarrow{\tau} (c'_1, s'_1)}{(c_1 \parallel_{cs} c_2, s_1 \uplus s_2) \xrightarrow{\tau} (c'_1 \parallel_{cs} c_2, s'_1 \uplus s_2)} \quad \frac{ch \notin cs \quad (c_1, s_1) \xrightarrow{\langle ch \triangleright, v \rangle} (c'_1, s'_1)}{(c_1 \parallel_{cs} c_2, s_1 \uplus s_2) \xrightarrow{\langle ch \triangleright, v \rangle} (c'_1 \parallel_{cs} c_2, s'_1 \uplus s_2)} \\
 \text{compat}(\text{Rdy}_1, \text{Rdy}_2) \\
 \frac{(c_1, s_1) \xrightarrow{\langle d, p_1, \text{Rdy}_1 \rangle} (c'_1, s'_1) \quad (c_2, s_2) \xrightarrow{\langle d, p_2, \text{Rdy}_2 \rangle} (c'_2, s'_2)}{(c_1 \parallel_{cs} c_2, s_1 \uplus s_2) \xrightarrow{\langle d, p_1 \uplus p_2, \text{Rdy}_1 \cup \text{Rdy}_2 \rangle} (c'_1 \parallel_{cs} c'_2, s'_1 \uplus s'_2)} \\
 \frac{ch \in cs \quad (c_1, s_1) \xrightarrow{\langle ch!, v \rangle} (c'_1, s'_1) \quad (c_2, s_2) \xrightarrow{\langle ch?, v \rangle} (c'_2, s'_2)}{(c_1 \parallel_{cs} c_2, s_1 \uplus s_2) \xrightarrow{\langle ch, v \rangle} (c'_1 \parallel_{cs} c'_2, s'_1 \uplus s'_2)}
 \end{array}$$

Big Step Semantics for HCSP

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \frac{}{(ch!e, s) \Rightarrow (s, \langle ch!, s(e) \rangle)} \quad \frac{}{(ch!e, s) \Rightarrow (s, \langle d, l_s, \{ch!\} \rangle \wedge \langle ch!, s(e) \rangle)} \quad \frac{}{(ch!e, s) \Rightarrow (s, \langle \infty, l_s, \{ch!\} \rangle)} \\
 \\
 \frac{\neg s(B)}{(\langle \dot{x} = e \& B \rangle, s) \Rightarrow (s, \epsilon)} \quad \frac{\begin{array}{c} p \text{ is a solution of the ODE } \dot{x} = e \\ p(0) = s(x) \quad \forall t \in [0, d]. s[x \mapsto p(t)](B) \quad \neg s[x \mapsto p(d)](B) \end{array}}{(\langle \dot{x} = e \& B \rangle, s) \Rightarrow (s[x \mapsto p(d)], \langle d, p, \emptyset \rangle)} \\
 \\
 \frac{\begin{array}{c} p \text{ is a solution of the ODE } \dot{x} = e \quad p(0) = s_1(x) \\ \forall t \in [0, d]. s_1[x \mapsto p(t)](B) \quad i \in I \quad ch_{i*} = ch!e \quad (c_i, s_1[x \mapsto p(d)]) \Rightarrow (s_2, tr) \end{array}}{(\langle \dot{x} = e \& B \rangle \triangleright \prod_{i \in I} (ch_{i*} \rightarrow c_i), s_1) \Rightarrow (s_2, \langle d, p, \text{Rdy}(\cup_{i \in I} ch_{i*}) \rangle \wedge \langle ch!, s_1[x \mapsto p(d)](e) \rangle \wedge tr)} \\
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 \frac{\begin{array}{c} p \text{ is a solution of the ODE } \dot{x} = e \\ p(0) = s_1(x) \quad \forall t \in [0, d]. s_1[x \mapsto p(t)](B) \quad \neg s_1[x \mapsto p(d)](B) \end{array}}{(\langle \dot{x} = e \& B \rangle \triangleright \prod_{i \in I} (ch_{i*} \rightarrow c_i), s_1) \Rightarrow (s_1[x \mapsto p(d)], \langle d, p, \text{Rdy}(\cup_{i \in I} ch_{i*}) \rangle)} \\
 \\
 \frac{(c_1, s_1) \Rightarrow (s'_1, tr_1) \quad (c_2, s_2) \Rightarrow (s'_2, tr_2) \quad tr_1 \parallel_{cs} tr_2 \Downarrow tr}{(c_1 \parallel_{cs} c_2, s_1 \uplus s_2) \Rightarrow (s'_1 \uplus s'_2, tr)}
 \end{array}$$

Hoare Logic

Assertion Logic FOD_{Γ}

$$\begin{aligned}
 val &:= x_i \mid c \mid v + w \mid v \cdot w \mid \dots \\
 time &:= d \mid \infty \mid d_1 + d_2 \mid d_1 - d_2 \mid \dots \\
 vector &:= (x_1, \dots, x_n) \mid \mathbf{x} \mid \mathbf{p}(t) \\
 state_traj &:= l_{x_0} \mid \mathbf{p}_{x_0, e} \mid \mathbf{p}(\cdot + d) \mid \mathbf{p}_1 \uplus \mathbf{p}_2 \\
 generalized_event &:= \langle ch \rangle, val \mid \langle time, state_traj, rdy \rangle \\
 trace &:= \epsilon \mid generalized_event \mid \gamma \mid trace_1 \frown trace_2
 \end{aligned}$$

Hoare triple

Hoare triple is of the form $\{P\} c \{Q\}$, where P and Q are assertions on state and trace. It means starting from initial state and trace satisfying P , after executing c , the final state and trace satisfies Q .

The proof system consists four parts :

- 1 **Axioms and inference rules for first-order theory of differential equations** (FOD), omitted
- 2 **Axioms and inference rules for timed traces and readiness**
- 3 **Axioms and inference rules for HCSP constructs**
- 4 **General rules** such as **consequence rule**, omitted

Part II : Axioms and Inference Rules for Timed Traces and Readiness

$$\frac{\langle ch_1 \triangleright_1, v_1 \rangle \frown tr_1 \parallel_{cs} \langle ch_2 \triangleright_2, v_2 \rangle \frown tr_2 \Downarrow tr \quad ch_1 \in cs \quad ch_2 \in cs}{\exists tr'. ch_1 = ch_2 \wedge v_1 = v_2 \wedge (\triangleright_1, \triangleright_2) \in \{(!, ?), (?, !)\} \wedge tr = \langle ch, v \rangle \frown tr' \wedge tr_1 \parallel_{cs} tr_2 \Downarrow tr'} \text{SyncPairE}$$

$$\frac{\langle ch_1 \triangleright_1, v_1 \rangle \frown tr_1 \parallel_{cs} \langle ch_2 \triangleright_2, v_2 \rangle \frown tr_2 \Downarrow tr \quad ch_1 \notin cs \quad ch_2 \in cs}{\exists tr'. tr = \langle ch_1 \triangleright_1, v_1 \rangle \frown tr' \wedge tr_1 \parallel_{cs} \langle ch_2 \triangleright_2, v_2 \rangle \frown tr_2 \Downarrow tr'} \text{SyncUnpairE1}$$

$$\frac{ch \in cs}{\langle ch \triangleright, v \rangle \frown tr_1 \parallel_{cs} \langle d, p, \mathbf{Rdy} \rangle \frown tr_2 \Downarrow tr} \text{SyncPairE2}$$

$$\frac{\neg \text{compat}(\mathbf{Rdy}_1, \mathbf{Rdy}_2)}{\langle d_1, p_1, \mathbf{Rdy}_1 \rangle \frown tr_1 \parallel_{cs} \langle d_2, p_2, \mathbf{Rdy}_2 \rangle \frown tr_2 \Downarrow tr} \text{SyncWaitE1}$$

$$\frac{\langle d, p_1, \mathbf{Rdy}_1 \rangle \frown tr_1 \parallel_{cs} \langle d, p_2, \mathbf{Rdy}_2 \rangle \frown tr_2 \Downarrow tr \quad \text{compat}(\mathbf{Rdy}_1, \mathbf{Rdy}_2)}{\exists tr'. tr = \langle d, p_1 \uplus p_2, \mathbf{Rdy}_1 \cup \mathbf{Rdy}_2 \rangle \frown tr' \wedge tr_1 \parallel_{cs} tr_2 \Downarrow tr'} \text{SyncWaitE2}$$

Part III : Axioms and inference rules for HCSP constructs

$$\frac{}{\left\{ \begin{array}{l} Q[tr \frown \langle ch!, e \rangle / tr] \wedge \\ \forall d > 0. Q[tr \frown \langle d, l_{x_0}, \{ch!\} \rangle \frown \langle ch!, e \rangle / tr] \wedge \\ Q[tr \frown \langle \infty, l_{x_0}, \{ch!\} \rangle / tr] \end{array} \right\} \text{ch!}e \{Q\}} \text{Output}$$

$$\frac{}{\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \forall v. Q[v/x, tr \frown \langle ch?, v \rangle / tr] \wedge \\ \forall d > 0. \forall v. Q[v/x, tr \frown \langle d, l_{x_0}, \{ch?\} \rangle \frown \langle ch?, v \rangle / tr] \wedge \\ Q[tr \frown \langle \infty, l_{x_0}, \{ch?\} \rangle / tr] \end{array} \right\} \text{ch?}x \{Q\}} \text{Input}$$

$$\frac{}{\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (\neg B \rightarrow Q) \wedge \\ \forall d > 0. (\forall t \in [0, d]. B[p_{x_0}(t)/x]) \wedge \neg B[p_{x_0}(d)/x] \rightarrow \\ Q[p_{x_0}(d)/x, tr \frown \langle d, p_{x_0}, \emptyset \rangle / tr] \end{array} \right\} \langle \dot{x} = e \& B \rangle \{Q\}} \text{Cont}$$

$$\frac{\{P_1\} c_1 \{Q_1\} \quad \{P_2\} c_2 \{Q_2\}}{\{P_1[\epsilon/tr] \wedge P_2[\epsilon/tr]\} \text{c}_1 \parallel_{\text{cs}} \text{c}_2 \{ \exists tr_1, tr_2. Q_1[tr_1/tr] \wedge Q_2[tr_2/tr] \wedge tr_1 \parallel_{\text{cs}} tr_2 \Downarrow tr \}} \text{Par}$$

Continuous Relative Completeness

Theorem

Suppose all valid FOD formulas are provable, then if a Hoare triple $\{P\} c \{Q\}$ is valid, then it is provable in the above proof system.

- Define its **weakest pre-condition and strongest post-condition**
- Express all predicates appearing in weakest pre-condition and strongest post-condition in FOD, including **traces**, **synchronization**, and **predicates**

Discrete Relative Completeness

$$\forall d > 0. (\forall t \in [0, d]. B[p_{x_0}(t)/x]) \wedge \neg B[p_{x_0}(d)/x] \rightarrow Q[p_{x_0}(d)/x, tr \smallfrown \langle d, p_{x_0}, \emptyset \rangle / tr] \quad (CP)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \forall T > 0. (\forall 0 \leq t < T. \exists \epsilon_0 > 0. \forall 0 < \epsilon < \epsilon_0. \\ \exists h_0 > 0. \forall 0 < h < h_0. f_{x_0, h}(t) \in \mathcal{U}_{-\epsilon}(B)) \rightarrow \\ (\exists \epsilon_0 > 0. \forall 0 < \epsilon < \epsilon_0. \exists h_0 > 0. \forall 0 < h < h_0. \\ f_{x_0, h}(T) \in \neg \mathcal{U}_{-\epsilon}(B) \rightarrow (f_{x_0, h}(T), tr \smallfrown \langle T, f_{x_0, h}, \emptyset \rangle) \in \mathcal{U}_{-\epsilon}(Q)) \end{aligned} \quad (DP)$$

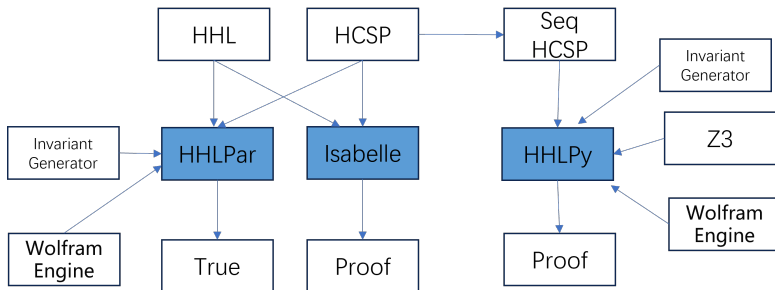
$$\forall d > 0. (\forall t \in [0, d]. B[p_{x_0}(t)/x]) \rightarrow Q[p_{x_0}(d)/x, tr \smallfrown \langle d, p_{x_0}, \mathbf{Rdy}(\cup_{i \in I} ch_i^*) \rangle \smallfrown \langle ch!, e[p_{x_0}(d)/x] \rangle / tr] \quad (CI)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \forall T > 0. (\forall 0 \leq t < T. \exists \epsilon_0 > 0. \forall 0 < \epsilon < \epsilon_0. \\ \exists h_0 > 0. \forall 0 < h < h_0. f_{x_0, h}(t) \in \mathcal{U}_{-\epsilon}(B)) \rightarrow \\ \exists \epsilon_0 > 0. \forall 0 < \epsilon < \epsilon_0. \exists h_0 > 0. \forall 0 < h < h_0. (f_{x_0, h}(T), \\ tr \smallfrown \langle T, f_{x_0, h}, \mathbf{Rdy}(\cup_{i \in I} ch_i^*) \rangle \smallfrown \langle ch!, e[f_{x_0, h}(T)/x] \rangle) \in \mathcal{U}_{-\epsilon}(Q) \end{aligned} \quad (DI)$$

Theorem (Discrete Relative Completeness)

- The proof system plus $CP \leftrightarrow DP$ and $CI \leftrightarrow DI$, are complete relative to the discrete fragment, without referring to solutions of differential equations.
- Moreover, the discrete fragment of the proof system is complete in Cook's sense.

HHL Theorem Prover [CFEM'15, FM'23]



Part 2 : Verification

Invariant Generation : Theoretical Aspects [EMSOFT'11]

Complete Method to DI : Differential Invariant

- Program

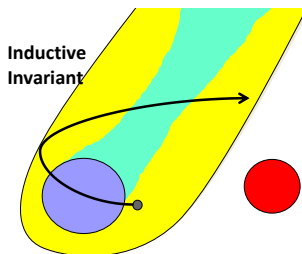
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x:=1;  
while (x<=1000000000)  
{ x:=x+1; }  
x ≤ 0
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- Inductive Invariant

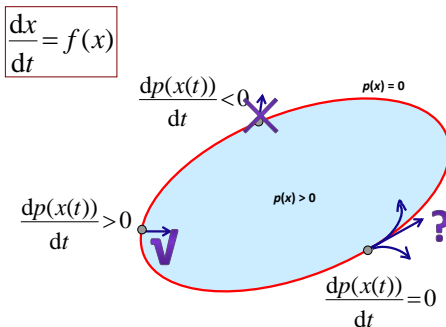
- $x=1 \rightarrow x \geq 1$
- $x \geq 1 \rightarrow x+1 \geq 1$
- $x \geq 1 \rightarrow \neg(x \leq 0)$

➤ Continuous system

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x)$$



Complete Method to DI : Lie Derivatives



Lie Derivative :

$$\mathcal{L}_f^k p(x) \triangleq \begin{cases} p(x), & k = 0, \\ \left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \mathcal{L}_f^{k-1} p(x), f(x) \right\rangle, & k > 0. \end{cases}$$

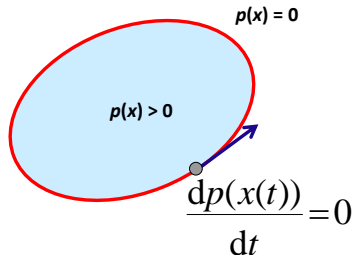
Complete Method to DI : Lie Derivatives

$$\frac{d^1 p}{dt^1} > 0$$

$$\vee \frac{d^1 p}{dt^1} = 0 \wedge \frac{d^2 p}{dt^2} > 0$$

$$\vee \frac{d^1 p}{dt^1} = 0 \wedge \frac{d^2 p}{dt^2} = 0 \wedge \frac{d^3 p}{dt^3} > 0$$

$$\vee \frac{d^1 p}{dt^1} = 0 \wedge \frac{d^2 p}{dt^2} = 0 \wedge \frac{d^3 p}{dt^3} = 0 \wedge \dots ?$$



Complete Method to DI : Necessary and Sufficient Condition

- $f(x)$ and $p(x)$ are polynomials
- Compute an upper bound N s.t.
- $p(x) \geq 0$ is an inductive invariant of $\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x)$
iff

$$p=0 \Rightarrow \left(\frac{d^1 p}{dt^1} > 0 \vee \right. \\ \frac{d^1 p}{dt^1} = 0 \wedge \frac{d^2 p}{dt^2} > 0 \vee \\ \dots \dots \vee \\ \left. \frac{d^1 p}{dt^1} = 0 \wedge \frac{d^2 p}{dt^2} = 0 \wedge \dots \wedge \frac{d^N p}{dt^N} \geq 0 \right)$$

Complete Method to DI : Main Results

- Semi-algebraic set

$$: \bigvee_{i=1}^I \bigwedge_{j=1}^{J_i} p_{ij}(\mathbf{x}) \triangleright 0, \quad \triangleright \in \{\geq, >\}$$

- First-order theory of real numbers is decidable
 - Quantifier Elimination

Checking whether a semi-algebraic set is an inductive invariant of a polynomial continuous dynamical systems is decidable

Complete Method to DI : General Case

- **Problem :** Consider a PDS (D, f) with

$$D = \bigvee_{i=1}^I \bigwedge_{j=1}^{J_i} p_{ij}(\mathbf{x}) \triangleright 0,$$

and $f \in \mathbb{Q}^n[\mathbf{x}]$, where $\triangleright \in \{\geq, >\}$, to generate SAs automatically with a general template

$$P = \bigvee_{k=1}^K \bigwedge_{l=1}^{L_k} p_{kl}(\mathbf{u}_{kl}, \mathbf{x}) \triangleright 0, \quad \triangleright \in \{\geq, >\}$$

- **Basic idea** The procedure is essentially same as in the simple case, but have to sophisticatedly handle the complex combinations due to the complicated boundaries.

Complete Method to DI : General Case

Theorem (Main Result)

A semi-algebraic template $P(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{x})$ defined by

$$\bigvee_{k=1}^K \left(\bigwedge_{j=1}^{j_k} p_{kj}(\mathbf{u}_{kj}, \mathbf{x}) \geq 0 \quad \wedge \quad \bigwedge_{j=j_k+1}^{j_k} p_{kj}(\mathbf{u}_{kj}, \mathbf{x}) > 0 \right)$$

is a CI of the PCCDS (D, \mathbf{f}) with

$$D \triangleq \bigvee_{m=1}^M \left(\bigwedge_{l=1}^{l_m} p_{ml}(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0 \quad \wedge \quad \bigwedge_{l=l_m+1}^{L_m} p_{ml}(\mathbf{x}) > 0 \right),$$

iff \mathbf{u} satisfies

$$\forall \mathbf{x}. \left((P \wedge D \wedge \Phi_D \rightarrow \Phi_P) \wedge (\neg P \wedge D \wedge \Phi_D^{Iv} \rightarrow \neg \Phi_P^{Iv}) \right),$$

where

Complete Method to DI : General Case

Theorem (Main Result (Cont'd))

$$\Phi_D \triangleq \bigvee_{m=1}^M \left(\bigwedge_{l=1}^{l_m} \psi_0^+(p_{ml}, f) \wedge \bigwedge_{l=l_m+1}^{L_m} \psi^+(p_{ml}, f) \right),$$

$$\Phi_P \triangleq \bigvee_{k=1}^K \left(\bigwedge_{j=1}^{j_k} \psi_0^+(p_{kj}, f) \wedge \bigwedge_{j=j_k+1}^{J_k} \psi^+(p_{kj}, f) \right),$$

$$\Phi_D^{Iv} \triangleq \bigvee_{m=1}^M \left(\bigwedge_{l=1}^{l_m} \varphi_0^+(p_{ml}, f) \wedge \bigwedge_{l=l_m+1}^{L_m} \varphi^+(p_{ml}, f) \right),$$

$$\Phi_P^{Iv} \triangleq \bigvee_{k=1}^K \left(\bigwedge_{j=1}^{j_k} \varphi_0^+(p_{kj}, f) \wedge \bigwedge_{j=j_k+1}^{J_k} \varphi^+(p_{kj}, f) \right),$$

$$\psi^+(p, f) \triangleq \bigvee_{0 \leq i \leq N_{p,f}} \psi^{(i)}(p, f) \text{ with } \psi^{(i)}(p, f) \triangleq \left(\bigwedge_{0 \leq j < i} L_T^j p = 0 \right) \wedge L_T^i p > 0, \text{ and}$$

$$\psi_0^+(p, f) \triangleq \psi^+(p, f) \vee \left(\bigwedge_{0 \leq j \leq N_{p,f}} L_T^j p = 0 \right)$$

$$\varphi^+(p, f) \triangleq \bigvee_{0 \leq i \leq N_{p,f}} \varphi^{(i)}(p, f) \text{ with } \varphi^{(i)}(p, f) \triangleq \left(\bigwedge_{0 \leq j < i} L_T^j p = 0 \right) \wedge (-1)^i \cdot L_T^i p > 0, \text{ and}$$

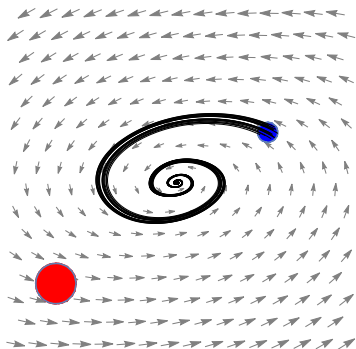
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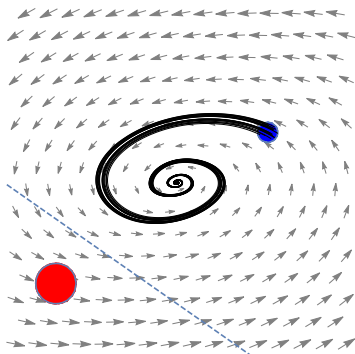
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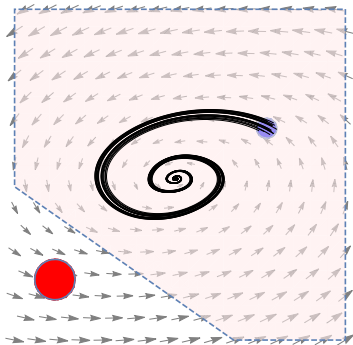
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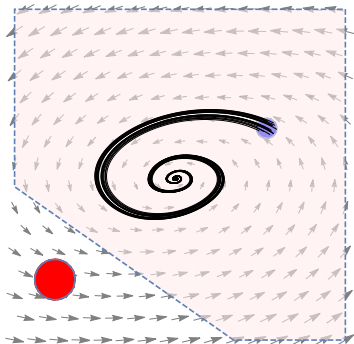
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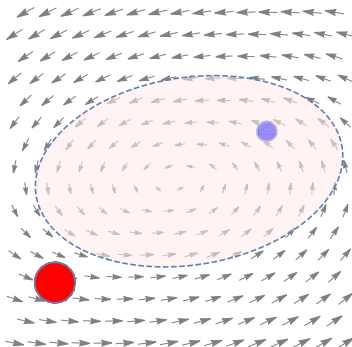
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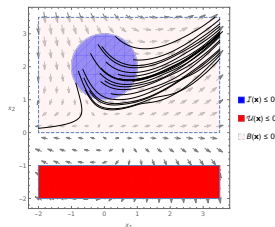
- ⇒ This LMI optimization always admits a strictly feasible solution (λ, \mathbf{a}) which induces also a strictly feasible solution $(\lambda, \mathbf{a}, (\mathbf{c}_\ell, 0, \dots, 0))$ to the original BMI optimization.

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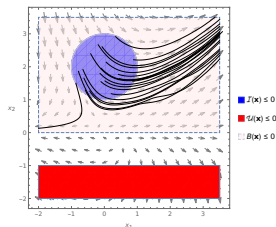


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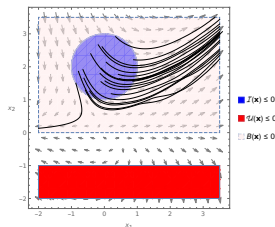
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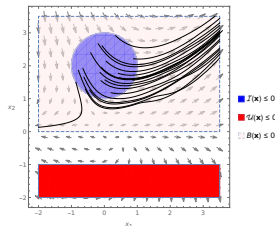
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$$B(a^2, \mathbf{x}) = -0.00363421x_2 \leq 0.$$



- ⇒ **Soundness** : every \mathbf{z}^i is a feasible solution to the original BMI optimization;
- ⇒ **Convergence** : $\{\mathbf{z}^i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ converges to a KKT point (local optimum);
- ⇒ **Weak completeness (via branch-and-bound)** : an invariant BC is guaranteed to be found (under mild assumptions) whenever there exists an inductive invariant (in the form of the given template).

Experiments

Table 1: Empirical results on benchmark examples (time in seconds)

Example name	n_{sys}	d_{flow}	d_{BC}	BMI-DC			PENLAB		SOSTOOLS	
				#iter.	time	verified	time	verified	time	verified
overview [11]	2	2	1	2	0.03	✓	0.31	✓	0.07	✓
contrived	2	1	2	0	0.01	✓	0.48	✓	0.75	✓
lie-der [37]	2	2	1	0	0.01	✓	0.22	✓	0.04	✓
lorenz [11]	3	2	2	8	2.37	✓	75.11	✗	1.47	✗
lti-stable [19]	2	1	2	0	0.01	✓	0.23	✓	0.14	✓
lotka-volterra [21]	3	2	1	3	0.07	✓	0.36	✓	0.21	✓
clock [44]	2	3	1	0	0.01	✓	0.88	✗	0.18	✗
lyapunov [45]	3	3	2	4	1.25	✓	56.98	✗	0.35	✓
arch1 [52]	2	5	2	0	0.01	✓	33.76	✗	0.31	✓
arch2 [52]	2	2	2	5	0.37	✓	0.38	✗	0.17	✗
arch3 [52]	2	3	2	1	0.07	✓	0.54	✓	0.18	✓
arch4 [52]	2	2	1	2	0.09	✓	0.49	✗	0.06	✓
barr-cert1 [42]	2	3	2	12	0.85	✓	2.53	✗	0.09	✗
barr-cert2 [11]	2	2	2	6	1.57	✓	1.16	✗	0.15	✓
barr-cert3 [65]	2	2	1	0	0.01	✓	0.20	✓	0.11	✗
barr-cert4 [65]	2	3	2	13	0.96	✓	0.89	✗	0.23	✗
fitzhugh-nagumo [48]	2	3	2	2	0.16	✓	1.24	✓	0.25	✗
stabilization [49]	3	2	2	9	2.88	✓	55.22	✓	0.11	✓
lie-high-order	2	1	2	32	4.12	✓	1.56	✗	0.25	✗
raychaudhuri [13]	4	2	2	34	9.51	✓	33.64	✗	0.14	✗
focus [43]	2	1	4	100	54.89	✗	0.95	✗	0.48	✗
sys-bio1 [28]	7	2	2	2	73.22	?	101.95	?	1.35	?
sys-bio2 [28]	9	2	1	1	1.03	?	15.54	?	0.16	?
quadcopter [19]	12	1	1	0	0.03	?	65.42	?	0.36	?

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- One to one mapping between $\tilde{\mathbb{K}}_{>0}$ and \mathbb{K} , $(x_0, \mathbf{x}) \mapsto \frac{\mathbf{x}}{x_0}$

Theorem (Huang et al., 2023)

When \mathbb{K} is closed at ∞ , i.e., $\text{closure}(\tilde{\mathbb{K}}_{>0}) = \tilde{\mathbb{K}}$

unbounded in \mathbb{R}^n $f(\mathbf{x}) \geq 0$ over $\mathbb{K} \iff \tilde{f}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) \geq 0$ over $\tilde{\mathbb{K}}$ *bounded in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}*

Synthesising BC over Unbounded Domains

- Fix ϵ and λ in the definition of exponential-type barrier certificate.
- Sound Characterization** still works, but conservative.

$$1 \quad -B(\mathbf{x}) = \sigma_0(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_i \sigma_i(\mathbf{x}) g_i^T(\mathbf{x}), \quad (\text{initial})$$

$$2 \quad B(\mathbf{x}) - \epsilon = \sigma'_0(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_i \sigma'_i(\mathbf{x}) g_i^H(\mathbf{x}), \quad (\text{separation})$$

$$3 \quad \lambda B(\mathbf{x}) - \mathfrak{L}_f B(\mathbf{x}) = \sigma''_0(\mathbf{x}) + \sum_i \sigma''_i(\mathbf{x}) g_i^X(\mathbf{x}), \quad (\text{consecution})$$

- Complete Characterization** A polynomial $B(\mathbf{x})$ of degree d is a BC **only if** for any $\epsilon_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+$, there exist some sum-of-squares (SOS) polynomials $\sigma_i(\tilde{\mathbf{x}})$, $\rho(\tilde{\mathbf{x}})$ and polynomial $\tau(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) \in \mathbb{R}[\tilde{\mathbf{x}}]$ s.t.

$$1 \quad -\tilde{B}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) + \epsilon_0 = \sigma_0(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) + \sum_i \sigma_i(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) \tilde{g}_i^T(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) + \rho(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) x_0 + \tau(\tilde{\mathbf{x}})(1 - \|\mathbf{x}\|^2),$$

$$2 \quad \tilde{B}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) - \epsilon x_0^d + \epsilon_0 = \sigma'_0(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) + \sum_i \sigma'_i(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) \tilde{g}_i^H(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) + \rho(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) x_0 + \tau(\tilde{\mathbf{x}})(1 - \|\mathbf{x}\|^2),$$

$$3 \quad \tilde{h}(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) + \epsilon_0 = \sigma''_0(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) + \sum_i \sigma''_i(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) \tilde{g}_i^X(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) + \rho(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}) x_0 + \tau(\tilde{\mathbf{x}})(1 - \|\mathbf{x}\|^2).$$

where $h(\mathbf{x}) = \lambda B(\mathbf{x}) - \mathfrak{L}_f B(\mathbf{x})$. Under some non-singular assumptions, the $\epsilon_0 = 0$ case is both sound and complete.

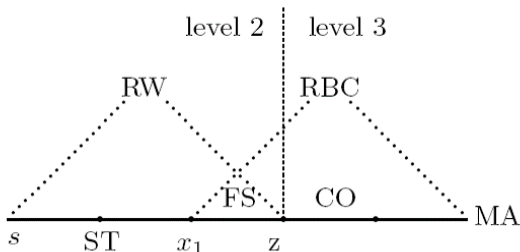
Part 2 : Verification

A Case Study : CTCS-3 [VSTTE'13, SCIS'15]

A Combined Scenario of CTCS-3

Informal Description

- CTCS-3 is an informal specification of Chinese high speed train that ensures safety and high throughput of trains.
- For historical reasons, CTCS currently contains two levels : level 2 and level 3.
- 14 scenarios
 - ⇒ Movement authority
 - ⇒ Level change (upgrade, degrade)
 - ⇒ Mode conversion (FS to CO)
 - ⇒ ...



Formal Proof with HHLprover

```
definition Train :: proc where
```

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"Train =
  Rep (
    T ::= (λ_. 0);
    Cont (ODE ((λ_ _. 0) (S := (λs. s V),
                          V := (λs. s A), T := (λ_. 1))))
          ((λs. s T < Period ∧ s V > 0));
    Wait (λs. Period - s T);
    Cm (''Train2Control''[!](λs. s V));
    Cm (''Train2Control''[!](λs. s S));
    Cm (''Control2Train''[?](A))
  )"

```

```
lemma Train_prop:
```

```
"⊢
  {λs tr. s = (λ_. 0) (V := v0, S := s0, A := a0, T := t0) ∧ empt tr}
  Train
  {λs tr. ∃xs. s = Train_end_state (v0, s0, a0, t0) xs ∧
    Train_inv (v0, s0, a0, t0) xs tr}"

```

Formal Proof with HHLprover

definition Control :: proc where

```
"Control =
  Level ::= (λ_. 2.5); Next_seg_v ::= (λ_. 0);
  Rep(
    Cm ('Train2Control' [?] V);
    Cm ('Train2Control' [?] S);
    (IF (λs. s Level = 2.5 ∧ s S > Stop_point) THEN
      Level ::= (λ_. 3)
    ELSE Skip FI);
    (IF (λs. s Level = 3 ∧ s S < Stop_point / 2) THEN
      Next_seg_v ::= (λ_. Next_V_limit)
    ELSE Skip FI);
    Command_a ::= (λs. com_a_gen (s S) (s V) (s Next_seg_v));
    Cm ('Control2Train' [!](λs. s Command_a)))"
```

lemma Control_prop:

```
"⊨
  {λs tr. s = ((λ_. 0)(V := v0, S := s0, Command_a := a0,
    Level := l0, Next_seg_v := 0)) ∧ empt tr}
  Control
  {λs tr. ∃xs. s = Control_end_state (v0, s0, a0, l0) xs
    ∧ Control_blocks (v0, s0, a0, l0) xs tr}"
```

Formal Proof with HHLprover

```

definition system :: pproc where
  "system = Parallel (Single Train)
    {'Train2Control'', 'Control2Train''}
    (Single Control)"

lemma combine:
  "loop_invariant (s0, v0)  $\Rightarrow$ 
    combine_assn {'Train2Control'', 'Control2Train''}
      (Train_inv (v0, s0, com_a s0 v0, t0) as) (Control_blocks (v0, s0, com_a s0 v0, 2.5) vs)
       $\Rightarrow_t$  tot_block (s0,v0) (length as)"

lemma system_Prop:
  assumes "loop_invariant (s0, v0)"
  shows " $\models_p$ 
    {pair_assn ( $\lambda s. s = ((\lambda \_. 0)(V := v0, S := s0, A := com\_a\ s0\ v0, T := t0))$ )
      ( $\lambda s. s = ((\lambda \_. 0)(V := v0, S := s0, Command\_a := com\_a\ s0\ v0,$ 
      Level := 2.5, Next_seg_v := 0)))
    system
    { $\exists_g\ n. trace\_gassn\ (tot\_block\ (s0,v0)\ n)$ }"
  
```

Proof result

- It is proved with HHLprover that the train stops before the location of level transition and mode conversion.
- Details can be found in [Zou et al., VSTTE 2013].