Invariant-Based Verification and Synthesis for Hybrid Systems

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- $Q = \{q_1, \ldots, q_m\}$ is a finite set of modes;
- X = {x₁,...,x_n} is a finite set of continuous state variables, with x = (x₁,...,x_n) ranging over ℝⁿ; Q × ℝⁿ is the state space of H;
- $f: Q \to (\mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n)$ assigns to each mode $q \in Q$ a vector field f_q ;
- $D: Q \to 2^{\mathbb{R}^n}$ assigns to each mode $q \in Q$ a domain $D_q \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$;
- $E \subseteq Q \times Q$ is a set of discrete transitions;
- $G: E \to 2^{\mathbb{R}^n}$ assigns to each transition $e \in E$ a switching guard $G_e \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$.
- *R* assigns to each transition $e \in E$ a reset function R_e : $\mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$;
- Ξ assigns to each $q \in Q$ a set of initial states $\Xi_q \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$.

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such that $(q_0, \mathbf{x}_0) \in \Xi_{\mathcal{H}}$, $(q_l, \mathbf{x}_l) = (q, \mathbf{x})$, and for any $0 \le i \le l-1$, one of the following two conditions holds:

- (Discrete Jump): $e = (q_i, q_{i+1}) \in E$, $x_i \in G_e$ and $x_{i+1} = R_e(x_i)$; or
- (Continuous Evolution): q_i = q_{i+1}, and there exists a δ ≥ 0 s.t. the solution x(x_i; t) to x = f_{qi} satisfies
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Continuous vs Global Invariants

Note that

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- Continuous invariant keeps invariant in a mode
- Interplay between global and continuous invariant
- Both can be reduced to constraint solving
- Continuous invariant (differential invariant) generation is more complicated

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- Barrier-certificate [Prajna&Jadbadbaie 2004, Plazer&Clarke 2008]
 - Basic idea: Let $\mathcal{D} = {\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})}$ and $H = {h(\mathbf{x}) \ge 0}$. A function $B : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}$ is a barrier certificate if it is differentiable and satisfying

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Open Problem

- Open problem [Sankaranarayanan, HSCC 2010, Taly&Tiwari, FSTTCS 2009]: Can we find a complete method to generate all semi-algebraic invariants of a polynomial dynamical system?
- We addressed this problem and gave an affirmative answer in [Liu, Zhan&Zhao 2011].

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we get the transformed polynomial ODE (i.e. f_y)

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Transition from mode q_1 to q_2



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Optimization Criterion (Contd.)



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$$\mathbf{R}'_{o}$$
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Three Activations are Enough

Proposition

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$$\frac{1}{20}\int_{t=0}^{20}v_{s_3}(t)\mathrm{d}t < \frac{1}{20}\int_{t=0}^{20}v_{s_4}(t)\mathrm{d}t$$

where $v_{s_3}(t)$ (resp. $v_{s_4}(t)$) is the oil volume in the accumulator at t with s_3 (resp. s_4).

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