Verification of linear hybrid systems: Symbolic representations using simple interpolants

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# **Background: LinAIG Based Model Checking**

- Given:
  - Hybrid system with dynamics restricted to differential inclusions
  - Intended application domain: Hybrid systems with a large number of discrete states
  - Safety specification
  - Initial states



# **Background: LinAIG Based Model Checking**

#### • Approach:

- Backward model checking from unsafe states
- Symbolic representation of sets of states by LinAIGs (= AND-Inverter-Graphs with linear constraints)
- Preimage computation until initial states or fixed point reached



## **Background: LinAIGs**

- Sets of states are represented by
  - Arbitrary Boolean combinations of Boolean variables d<sub>1</sub>,..., d<sub>n</sub> and linear constraints over real-valued variables x1,..., xm
- **Example**:  $(d_1 \wedge d_2) \wedge (x_1 + x_2 \ge 0) \vee (-x_1 + x_2 \ge 0)$ Represented region for  $d_1 = d_2 = 0$ : LinAIG:  $d_1 - d_2 - x_1 + x_2 \ge 0$   $- x_1 + x_2 \ge 0$  $x_1$

Representations may be optimized by several techniques including "Redundancy Removal", "Constraint Minimization"







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### Motivation (1)

- Our current state set compaction techniques
  - Do not change the computed sets of unsafe states
     ⇒ exact model checking
  - Make use only of already existing linear constraints for state set representation
- Problem: Sometimes the boundary of the represented region is really complicated



### **Motivation (2)**



- Goal:
  - Replace complicated state sets by <u>smoother</u> representations
  - Introduce (restricted) over-approximations
- It is important to have the complete picture (i.e. the complete state set) to be able to judge which over-approximation makes sense.
- As usual:
  - If safety can be proved using over-approximations, everything is fine.
  - Otherwise: Counterexample-guided abstraction refinement

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### **Craig Interpolation**

- A Craig Interpolant for two formulas A and B with A \wedge B = 0 is a formula I with
  - $A \Rightarrow I$
  - I ∧ B = 0
  - The uninterpreted symbols in I occur both in A and B as well as the free variables in I occur freely both in A and B

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- $\Rightarrow$  Craig Interpolation with
  - Current state set as A
  - Negation of (current state set + ε-environment + other "don't cares") as
     B
  - A ∧ B = 0
- $\Rightarrow$  Craig interpolant I with A  $\Rightarrow$  I, I  $\wedge$  B = 0
- Thus we need simple interpolants!

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## Another possible solution ...



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## **Closer look at interpolation procedure: Running example**



$$egin{array}{rcl} l_1&=&(-x_2\leq 0),\ l_2&=&(x_1\leq 1),\ l_3&=&(-x_2\leq -5),\ l_4&=&(x_1\leq 6),\ l_5&=&(-2x_1+x_2\leq -6),\ l_6&=&(-x_1+2x_2\leq 0) \end{array}$$

$$A = (l_1 \wedge l_2) \vee (l_3 \wedge l_4)$$
$$= (l_1 \vee l_3) \wedge (l_1 \vee l_4)$$
$$\wedge (l_2 \vee l_3) \wedge (l_2 \vee l_4)$$
$$B = (l_5 \wedge l_6)$$

# **Proof of unsatisfiability**



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- The theory lemma says that  $(l_1 \wedge l_2 \wedge l_5)$  is inconsistent.
- A theory interpolant is itself an interpolant of the "A-part" $(l_1 \wedge l_2)$  and the "B-part"  $l_5$ .
- Proof of unsatisfiability for "A-part" ^ "B-part":
  - Non-negative linear combination leading to contradiction (e.g.  $0 \le -4$ )

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- Interpolant I<sub>t</sub> for "A-part"  $\land$  "B-part":
  - First part of the proof belonging to the "A-part"

#### **Computing Theory Interpolants**

 Theory interpolants can be computed by linear programming (Rybalchenko, Sofronie-Stokkermans 2007):

- Suitable values for may be found by linear programming.
- The computed interpolant is a linear constraint  $i_1x_1 + i_2x_2 \le \delta$  with

$$egin{array}{cccc} \lambda_1,\lambda_2,\mu_1\geq 0 \ \lambda_2-2\mu_1=&0 \ -\lambda_1&+\mu_1=&0 \ \lambda_2-6\mu_1\leq -1 \ \lambda_2&=&i_1 \ -\lambda_1&=&i_2 \ \lambda_2&=&\delta \end{array}$$

## **Running example**

 This method results in exactly the following interpolant with one linear constraint for each theory lemma:



## **Running example**

However, there is an interpolant with a single linear constraint:



Just an extension to the RS-2007-method:



- Shared theory interpolant  $i_1x_1 + i_2x_2 \leq \delta$  for two theory lemmata?
- ... can be computed by linear programming as well.

- Unfortunately, first results showed that this does not work!
- The potential to find shared interpolants for several theory lemmata is not high enough.
- More degrees of freedom are needed to enable a larger number of shared interpolants ...
- Ist approach: Relaxing constraints
- Lemma: The RS-2007-method only computes theory interpolants which touch the A-part of the theory conflict (as long as the theory conflict is minimized, and both A- and B-part are not empty).
- $\Rightarrow$  Relax constraints to remove this restriction



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Unfortunately, this still does not work for our example: 2nd theory lemma



- Lemma: If a theory conflict is minimized (and neither A-part nor Bpart are empty), then the direction vector of the theory interpolant is fixed.
- However: Modern SMT solvers minimize theory conflicts in order to prune the search space as much as possible!
- Idea: Extend theory lemmata by additional inequations in a way that
  - the SMT proof is not destroyed,
  - or at least: The interpolant computed as before is still an interpolant.
- Note: Of course an inconsistent set of constraints remains inconsistent, if extended by additional constraints.

## **Running example**



• If  $(l_1 \wedge l_2 \wedge l_5)$  is extended to  $(l_1 \wedge l_2 \wedge l_5 \wedge l_6)$  and  $(l_3 \wedge l_4 \wedge l_6)$  is extended to  $(l_3 \wedge l_4 \wedge l_5 \wedge l_6)$ , then  $l_9$  is a shared interpolant for both theory lemmata.

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$$(\neg b \lor c) \quad (\neg a \lor c) \quad (a \lor b \lor c) \quad (\neg b \lor c \lor e)$$

$$(a \lor c) \quad (b \lor c) \quad (a \lor c \lor e)$$

- Resolution proof remains valid after push-up of a literal *c* into clause *n*, if
  - *c* is in the intersection of all of its children's clauses,
  - *c* is not *n*'s pivot.
- Extend theory lemmata by literals pushed into them ...
- After push-up operations, the SMT proof remains valid.

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### **Extending Theory Lemmata, Method 2**

- 2nd method: Implied literals
- A literal *l* is
  - implied for B, iff  $B \Rightarrow l$ ,
  - implied for A, iff  $A \Rightarrow l$  and l does not occur in B.
- Lemma: Adding the negation of implied literals to theory lemmata in an SMT proof and using the interpolation construction according to [McMillan 2005] leads to a valid interpolant.



#### Running example:

- $l_1$  and  $l_4$  are implied for A.
- $l_5$  and  $l_6$  are implied for B.
- Theory lemma  $(\neg l_1 \lor \neg l_2 \lor \neg l_5)$  may be extended to  $(\neg l_1 \lor \neg l_2 \lor \neg l_4 \lor \neg l_5 \lor \neg l_6)$
- Theory lemma  $(\neg l_3 \lor \neg l_4 \lor \neg l_6)$  may be extended to  $(\neg l_1 \lor \neg l_3 \lor \neg l_4 \lor \neg l_5 \lor \neg l_6)$
- This leads to the shared theory interpolant as depicted.

# **Experiments**

- > 200 intermediate state sets produced by our hybrid model checker (representing A).
- $\epsilon$ -bloating of state sets represents  $\neg B$ .
- Formulas representing A and B contain up to 7 rational variables, up to 1,380 inequations, up to 18,915 Boolean variables, and up to 56,721 clauses.

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## **Conclusions and Future Work**

- Interpolants based on proofs of unsatisfiability may be simplified to a great extent by shared interpolants.
- Key to successful simplification: Preprocessing proofs to increase degrees of freedom in the selection of theory interpolants.
- Existing LP solvers / SMT solvers may be used.
- Generalization to other theories?
- To do: Full integration into model checking procedure with abstraction refinement.