AVACS* Automatic Verification and Analysis of Complex Systems Selected Results first funding phase

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AVACS Structure



Structure of Presentation

- Application Challenges
- Where we are: Highlights of Phase I
- Conclusion



Exponential Growth in Complexity: Avionics



Exponential Growth in Complexity – Memory Usage in Vehicles¹



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Sample Automotive Applications: Active and Passive Safety Systems



The Application Context

- Complex Embedded Systems are key enablers for safe flight and safe ground transportation
- Exponential growth in system complexity is a challenge for quality assurance
- In choosing benchmarks from embedded transport applications, AVACS contributes to meeting forthcoming requirements of pertinent safety standards
 - "If a model-based approach meets the criteria to be considered a formal method, formal verification techniques such as reasoning or proof can be used to meet certification objectives..." (from moderated forum on DO 178 C definition)



Automatic Verification of Complex Systems: Models

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- Extremely Heterogeneous-Model Space
 - Systems of Systems
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 - Cycle Accurate models of HW
- Comprehensive and Scalable Verification requires
 - Relating Models at different Design Levels
 - Identification of typical model characteristic





Requirements

Heterogeneous Requirement Space

- Reliability

", probability of total a/c failure is less than 10⁻⁹ per flight hour"

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- Coordination

"Crossing will grant access if secured"

Local Control

"The train will never run faster than permitted speed"

"enforce brake profile"

– Real-Time

"When receiving unconditional emergency stop message the train shall be tripped within 5 msec" "Brake curve control task activated every 30 msecs"



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The AVACS Vision

To Cover the Model- and Requirement Space of Complex Safety Critical Systems

with Automatic Verification Methods

Giving Mathematical Evidence of Compliance of Models

To Dependability, Coordination, Control and Real-Time Requirements





Where we are: Highlights of Phase I





Dimensions of Complexity I: Real-Time

Challenge

- Concurrency
- Rich specification languages
- Time Gap from virtual Timing to physical Execution Time
- WCET on distributed target architectures



AVACS Today

- ✓ Automatically verify real time systems with complex data (reals, parameters, unbounded arrays of reals,, ETCS emergency message system)
- ✓ Fast bug finding in systems with 65 processes and a product state space of 1.88×10^{104} states
- ✓ Guarantees for Worst Case Execution Time for airborne processor boards used for primary flight control in A380
- ✓ Automatic optimal task deployment (100 tasks) on industry standard target architectures (30 Electronic Control Units)
- Bridge from virtual time models to physical execution time on industry standard target architectures



Dimensions of Complexity II: Hybrid Systems





Challenge

- Dimensionality Barrier
 "Does it work? Up to 10 dimensions. Sometimes…"
 [E. Asarin, 2004]
- Complex dynamics

Closed deterministic linear vs open non linear

- Large discrete state space
- Beyond Safety

AVACS Today

- ✓ Bounded model checking of open linear hybrid systems with up to 25 dimensions (Train Collision Avoidance system)
- Proving safety of non-linear hybrid systems with transcendental functions (TCAS Round-About maneuver)
- Verification of linear hybrid automata with up to 2²⁰ discrete states (Flap Controller)
- ✓ BMC on design-level controller models with linear dynamics and up to 2²⁴⁰ discrete states and 18 dimensions
- Verify asymptotic stability of linear HS (speed supervision) and non-linear systems
- Verify full LTL requirements on non-linear discrete time HS (TCAS Round-About man.)



Coping with Complex Dynamics in Hybrid Systems

- Developed suite of constraint-solving (HySAT, HSolver, iSAT) and automata based approaches (LIRA) for BMC of hybrid systems with linear and non-linear dynamics
- Key Results
 - HySAT: performance improvements for linear dynamics by multiple orders of magnitude, demonstrated using scalable model of "elastic train-platoon" benchmark over existing BMC approaches, based on learning and structure exploitation
 - iSAT: integrating learning into interval-based constraint solving for non-linear robust systems leads to consistent speed-up of multiple orders of magnitude, outperforms AB-Solver by orders of magnitude on non-trivial benchmarks
 - LIRA outperforms LASH as decision procedure for FO(R,Z,±,<) by orders of magnitude, based on BDD based automata representations

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Coping with large discrete state spaces in HS

- Challenge addressed
 - Industrial controller models show large discrete state spaces (induced e.g. from counters, healthiness checks, parallel state machines, ...)
 - Explicit discrete state representation not feasible
- Key results
 - Model-Checking of linear hybrid automata with precise on-the-fly predicate abstraction combining AIG(Lin), HySAT, and decision procedures demonstrated on variants of Flap Controller and Train Application with more than 2²⁰ discrete states
 - CEGAR Approach addressing design-level controller models as captured in Statemate, Scade, ... by learning ω-Automata from counterexamples drastically reduces number of refinement steps, demonstrated on
 - Autopilot model with 2³⁵ discrete states and 23 reals
 - Flap Controller with 2²⁴⁰ discrete states and 18 reals



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Beyond Safety: coping with Richer Requirements

- Challenge addressed
 - Extending the scope of hybrid system verification methods beyond verification of safety properties
- Key results
 - Automatic synthesis of Lyapunov function demonstrating asymptotic stability based on LMI (linear systems) resp. non-linear robust constraint solving, demonstrated e.g. on train-speed supervision controller
 - Abstraction refinement based approach for proving region stability for linear hybrid systems, demonstrated on suite of benchmarks including emergency braking

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- Abstraction refinement based algorithm for verifying full LTL requirements for non-linear discrete time hybrid systems guaranteed to terminate for robust designs
- Proof System for Hybrid Dynamic Logic for parameterized verification of non-linear hybrid systems

NSF Workshop on Symbolic demonstrated on ETCS collision avoidance protocol

Dimensions of Complexity III: Systems

Challenge

- Complexity
- Dynamically
 Cooperating Systems
- Dependability
 Properties



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- ✓ Disproving Realizability through Black-Boxing reduces state space of 2³¹⁰ to 2¹⁸⁴ states in Wireless Interlocking Protocol of Deutsche Bahn (FFB) (13.8 s falsification time)
- ✓ Automatic Verification of safety and liveness properties of dynamically communicating systems (Platooning)
- ✓ Integrated tool-chain for probabilistic timed reachability analysis of hazardous states (Brake-Risk Assessment for ETCS Level 3, 10²³ states, reduced by optimizations to 10⁵ states)



Automating Compositional Verification

- Challenge addressed: Partial design verification
 - Proving realizability of partial designs
 - Inferring all we need to know about unknown components
 - Generating certificates/documentation sufficient to re-verify designs for changed component implementations
- Key results
 - Precise characterization of borderline of decidability of realizability based on key concept of information forks
 - On-the-fly synthesis of assumptions for compositional modelchecking yielding 6 fold improvement over monolithic verification
 - Combination of AI-learning, SAT/BDD based multi-valued logic verification, and automata-minimization based methods
 - FFB Benchmark 4 trains, 28 train segments, demonstrated
 - Multi-party signature signing protocol, outperforming Mocha by two orders of magnitude

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Coping with systems-of-systems

• Challenge addressed

- Cooperation between traffic agents is based on dynamically changing communications structures, with agents dynamically entering and leaving cooperation-partnerships
- Automatic verification of coherence to cooperation protocols coping with dynamically changing communication structure
- Key results:
 - Concise mathematical models, logics and algorithms for the verification of dynamically communicating systems combining shape analysis, abstraction refinement, predicate- and dataabstraction, abstraction refinement, and symbolic model-checking for verification of both safety (e.g. about adhering to legal shapes) and liveness (e.g. merge maneuvers will complete) properties
 - Demonstrated on car-platooning benchmark



Formal dependability analysis of system models

- Challenge addressed:
 - Provision of guaranteed probabilistic bounds on occurrence of toplevel events for system models enriched with fault-hypothesis within given time-period
- Key results:
 - Formal Reduction to model-checking of continuous time markov decision processes, underlying complete tool-chain computing probability of cut-sets for system models and failures captured in extension of Statemate
 - Drastric improvements in efficiency due to series of optimizations including fully symbolic algorithm for computing branching simulation quotients allowing to handle models out of reach for previously existing stochastic model-checking algorithms
 - Demonstrated on ETCS case study
 - Allowing to handle models with 10²³ states
 - Optimizations size passed to stochastic mc to 10⁵ states

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Conclusion



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- Symbolic analysis methods are instrumental for coping with the complexity of industrial applications in demonstrating their safety
- Industry standards are increasingly pushing towards application of formal methods in establishing safety
 - ISO CD 26262
 - DO 178 C
 - Cenelec EN 50128
- Significant investments in foundational research are required to lift scalability and scope of symbolic analysis methods to the level required for such future usages
- See <u>www.avacs.results</u> for publications and benchmarks

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Impact on Transportation Domain