

Applications of Verified Methods for Solving Non-smooth Initial Value Problems

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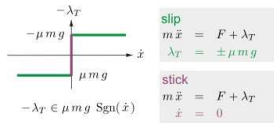
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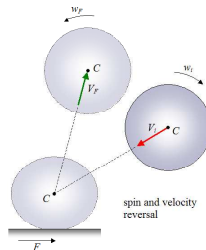
Non-smooth Models in Engineering



Friction



Contact dynamics



Besides: saturation effects, ensuring good numerical behavior, etc.

Implicitly Non-smooth Models: Traps in Code

Trap

Example

IF-THEN-ELSE

Force: $F \leq 0$

SWITCH

Muscle activation function:

$$0 \leq a(t) = A_1 e^{-c_1(t-t_1)} + A_2 e^{-c_2(t-t_2)} \leq 1$$

$|x|$

Hysteresis:

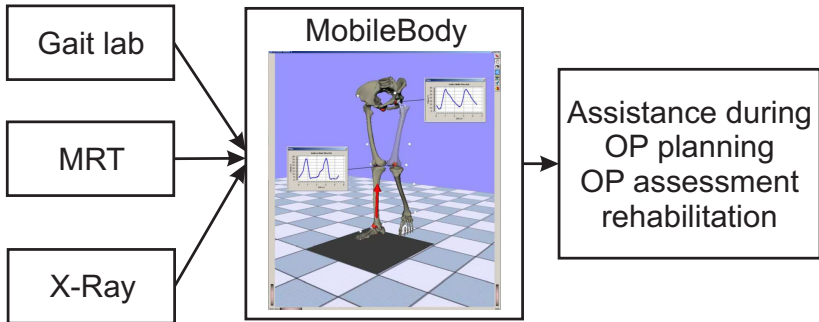
$$\dot{\omega}(t) = \rho \cdot \left(v(t) - \sigma \cdot |v(t)| \cdot |\omega(t)|^{\nu-1} \cdot \omega(t) \right) + (\sigma - 1) \cdot v(t) \cdot |\omega(t)|^{\nu}$$

$\text{sgn}x$

Friction: $F(v) = \text{sgn}(v) \cdot F + \mu \cdot v$

Biomechanical Context: MOBILEBODY

Chief coordination: Prof. A. Kecskeméthy (UDE)



Our major task: Characterization of uncertain parameters
Non-smoothness in: Muscle models, stabilization of stance

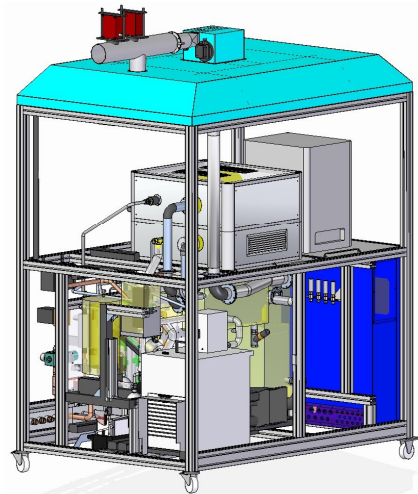
Fuel Cells Context: Development of VERICELL

Cooperation: Chair of Mechatronics, Rostock

- Gas supply
- Preheater
- SOFC stack module (30 fuel cells)

Our task: Control design, verified simulation environment

Non-smoothness: Saturation effects in reaction kinetics, etc.



Background: Verified Methods for Non-smooth Systems

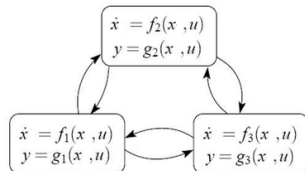
Description of a non-smooth IVP

Analytical

$$x' = \begin{cases} f^+(x), & h(x(t), t) < 0 \\ f^-(x), & h(x(t), t) > 0 \end{cases}$$

Rihm (1993),
Mahmoud and Chen (2008)

Graph-like



Rauh (2006), Eggers (2008),
Nedialkov and Mohrenschildt (2002)

Verified non-smooth optimization: Slopes, generalized gradients ...

Ratz (1995), Kearfott (2004), Schnurr (2007), ...

Problem Definition

$$\text{Interval IVP: } \begin{cases} x' & = f(x), \\ x(0) & \in [x_0] \end{cases}$$

where $f : \mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ or $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{IR}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{IR}^n$ and is given in algorithmic representation:

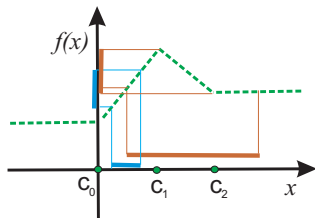
$$\begin{cases} \tau_i(x) & = g_i(x) = x_i, \quad i = 1 \dots n \\ \tau_i(x) & = g_i(\tau_1(x), \dots, \tau_{i-1}(x)), \quad i = n + 1 \dots l, \\ g_i & \in S_{EO} \cup S_{PW} \end{cases} .$$

$S_{EO} = \{+, -, *, /, \sin, \cos, \dots\}$ and S_{PW} are piecewise smooth functions

Definition of Piecewise Functions

$\phi_{i, \tau_\nu, c}(\tau_{i_0}(x), \dots, \tau_{i_p}(x)):$

$$\begin{cases} \tau_{i_0}(x), & c_{-1} = -\infty < \tau_\nu(x) \leq c_0, \\ \tau_{i_1}(x), & c_0 < \tau_\nu(x) \leq c_1, \\ \dots & \dots \\ \tau_{i_{p-1}}(x), & c_{p-2} < \tau_\nu(x) \leq c_{p-1}, \\ \tau_{i_p}(x), & c_{p-1} < \tau_\nu(x) < c_p = +\infty \end{cases}$$



An interval extension of ϕ over X ($\phi(X)$):

$$\begin{cases} \tau_i(X), & \text{if } X \subseteq (c_{i-1}, c_i), \\ \bigcup_{k=i+1}^{j-1} \tau_k([c_{k-1}, c_k]) \cup \tau_i([\underline{x}, c_i]) \cup \tau_j([c_{j-1}, \bar{x}]), & \text{if } X \subseteq (c_{i-1}, c_j) \end{cases}$$

Definition of the Derivative

An interval extension of ϕ' over X ($\phi'(X)$)

$$\begin{cases} \tau'_i(X), & \text{if } X \subseteq (c_{i-1}, c_i), \\ \bigcup_{k=i+1}^{j-1} \tau'_k([c_{k-1}, c_k]) \sqcup \tau'_i([\underline{x}, c_i]) \sqcup \tau'_j([c_{j-1}, \bar{x}]) \\ \quad \underline{\cup} \text{ REST}, & \text{if } X \subseteq (c_{i-1}, c_j), \end{cases}$$

where **REST** depends on:

- how many switching points X contains,
- whether ϕ is continuous,

if we want the mean value theorem to hold.

Suppose we have a single switching point (IF-THEN-ELSE)

$$\phi(x) = \begin{cases} \phi_0(x), & x < c_0, \\ \phi_1(x), & x > c_0. \end{cases}$$

then **REST** is

- $(\phi'_0([\underline{x}, c_0]) + \phi'_1([c_0, \bar{x}])) \cdot [0, 1]$ if ϕ is continuous,
- $\left(\frac{\phi_1(c_0) - \phi_0(c_0)}{[c_0, \bar{x}] - x_0} + (\phi'_0([\underline{x}, c_0]) + \phi'_1([c_0, \bar{x}])) \cdot [0, 1] \right)$
 $\sqcup \left(\frac{\phi_0(c_0) - \phi_1(c_0)}{[\underline{x}, c_0] - x_0} + (\phi'_0([\underline{x}, c_0]) + \phi'_1([c_0, \bar{x}])) \cdot [0, 1] \right)$
 if ϕ is discontinuous.

Problem: We need x_0 to avoid enclosures containing ∞ afap

Properties of $\phi'(X)$

- 1 If the derivative of ϕ exists for $x \in X$, then $\phi'(x) \in \phi'(X)$
- 2 The slope $\delta\phi(X, x_0) \subseteq \phi'(X)$
- 3 The mean value theorem holds:

$$\phi(x) = \phi(x_0) + \phi'(\xi)(x - x_0) \in \phi(x_0) + \phi'(X)(X - x_0)$$

- 4 If ϕ is continuous ($\tau_{i_j}(c_j) = \tau_{i_{j+1}}(c_j)$, $0 \leq j < p$), then $f(x)$ is continuous.

Solution Definitions

Two situations:



(a) f is discontinuous only in t

$$\tau_\nu(x) = t \text{ or}$$

$$\tau_{i_j}(c_j) = \tau_{i_{j+1}}(c_j)$$



(b) f is discontinuous in t, x

Solution:

$$x(t) = x_0 + \int_0^t f(x(s)) ds, \quad x_0 \in [x_0]$$

Depends on the application

VALENCIA-IVP¹ For Non-smooth IVPs

General approach in VALENCIA: A posteriori

$$x(t) \in \underbrace{[x(t)]}_{\text{verified state enclosure}} := \underbrace{x_{app}(t)}_{\text{non-verified approximation}} + \underbrace{[R(t)]}_{\text{error bounds}}$$

Conditions for the right side:

- 1 continuous
- 2 Lipschitz

¹VALIDation of state ENClosures using Interval Arithmetic for Initial Value Problems

VALENCIA-IVP For Non-smooth IVPs (Cont.)

The algorithm for $0 \leq t \leq T$:

- 1 Start with $[x^{(0)}], x_{app}(t), [R(0)]$
- 2 $k = 1 \dots k_{max}$ or while $[\dot{R}^{(k+1)}([0, T])] \neq [\dot{R}^{(k)}([0, T])]$

Compute $[\dot{R}^{(k+1)}([0, T])] := \dot{x}_{app} + f([x^{(k)}])$, (MVT)

where $[x^{(k)}] := [x^{(k)}([0, T])]$

If $[\dot{R}^{(k+1)}([0, T])] \subseteq [\dot{R}^{(k)}([0, T])]$ then

$$\begin{aligned} [R^{(k+1)}([0, T])] &:= [R(0)] + [\dot{R}^{(k+1)}([0, T])][0, T] \\ [x^{(k+1)}([0, T])] &:= x_{app} + [R^{(k+1)}([0, T])] \end{aligned}$$

Differences ((non-)smooth): Derivative definition, the fixed point theorem

To-do-list: Discontinuities in x for the right side

Implementation Issues: Class PWFUNC

Remarks on $f'(x)$

- $f'(X)$ is obtained with pwFunc
- pwFunc uses FADBAD++ and overloads hull, d()
- $f'(X)$ encloses both left and right derivatives
- pwFunc is plugged into VALENCIA

Class declaration

```
template<class T>
class pwFunc{
public:
    typedef T (*ptrFct)(const T& x);
    pwFunc(const vector<interval>& p,
           const vector<ptrFct>& f);
    T operator()(const T& x)
        { return getValueAtX(x);}
private:
    vector< ptrFct > functions;
    vector<interval> points;
    vector<T> subintervals;
    T getValueAtX(const T& x);
    void generateSubintervals(const T& x);
};
```

Implementation Example: A Discontinuous Function

```
template <class T> T f1(const T& x){ return -1+x;}
template <class T> T f2(const T& x){ return 1+x;}
template<class T> T ff(const T& a){
    vector<INTERVAL> p; p.push_back(0);
    vector<pwFunc<T>::ptrFct> functions;
    functions.push_back(&f1<T>);functions.push_back(&f2<T>);
    pwFunc<T> fp(p, functions); return fp(a); }
ff([-1,2]);
```

Equation:

$$F_f(v) = \begin{cases} -1.0 + x & x < 0 \\ +1.0 + x & x > 0 \end{cases}$$

Result:

$[-2,3]([1,6])$

A Mechanical System with Friction and Hysteresis

$$\dot{x}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x(t) + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{m} (F_a(t) - F_f(x_2)) \end{bmatrix} \quad x = [x_1 \quad x_2]^T$$

Friction force:

$$F_f(x_2) = \begin{cases} -[F_s] + [\mu] \cdot x_2 & \text{for } S_1 = \text{true} \quad \text{or} \quad S_2 = \text{true} \\ +[F_s] + [\mu] \cdot x_2 & \text{for } S_4 = \text{true} \quad \text{or} \quad S_5 = \text{true} \end{cases}$$

with the static friction

$$F_f(x_2) \in [F_s^{max}] := [-\bar{F}_s ; \bar{F}_s] \quad \text{for } S_3 = \text{true}$$

$$S_1 = \{x < 0, \omega \geq 0\}, \quad S_2 = \{x < 0, \omega < 0\}, \quad S_3 = \{x = 0\},$$

$$S_4 = \{x > 0, \omega \geq 0\}, \quad S_5 = \{x < 0, \omega > 0\}$$

A Mechanical System with Friction and Hysteresis (Cont.)

Accelerating force:

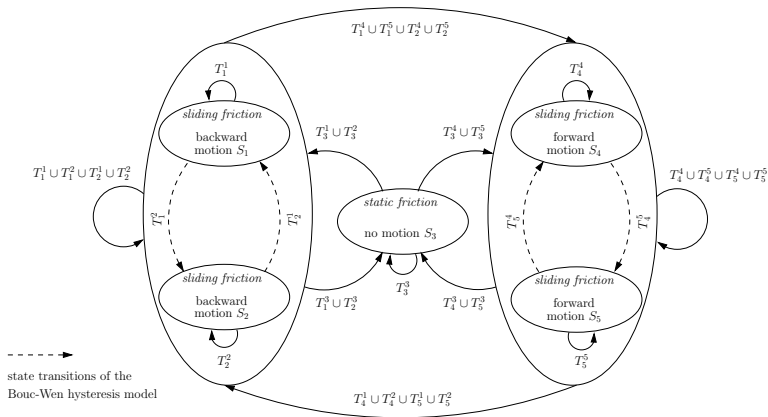
$$F_a(t) := u(t) - \phi(x_1(t), \omega(t))$$

- control variable $u(t)$ provided by an actuator
- restoring spring force $\phi(x_1(t), \omega(t)) = \kappa_x x_1 + \kappa_\omega \omega$

Restoring spring force with hysteresis (the Bouc-Wen model):

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\omega}(t) = & \rho \cdot \left(x_2(t) - \sigma \cdot |x_2(t)| \cdot |\omega(t)|^{\nu-1} \cdot \omega(t) \right) \\ & + (\sigma - 1) \cdot x_2(t) \cdot |\omega(t)|^\nu \end{aligned}$$

Automaton-Based Method: Rauh et al.



A. Rauh, Ch. Siebert, H. Aschemann, *Verified Simulation and Optimization of Dynamic Systems with Friction and Hysteresis*, ENOC 2011, Rome, Italy, 2011

Idea of the Algorithm

- 1 Detection of all possible points of time at which transition conditions $T_i^j(x, u)$ are activated
⇒ Validated enclosures of switching times as well as state variables
- 2 Detection of deactivation of model states
⇒ Computation of tight enclosures of state variables
- 3 Algorithm relying on Taylor-series method with a priori enclosures determined by the Picard iteration to detect activation of switching conditions

A. Rauh, M. Kletting, et al.: *Interval Methods for Simulation of Dynamical Systems with State-Dependent Switching Characteristics*, Proc. of the IEEE CCA 2006, pp. 355–360

Comparison: pwFunc+VALENCIA vs. Rauh et al.

$$\kappa_x = 0$$

$$x_1(0) = 0$$

$$x_2(0) = -0.1$$

$$\omega(0) = -0.001$$

$$u(t) = 0.01$$

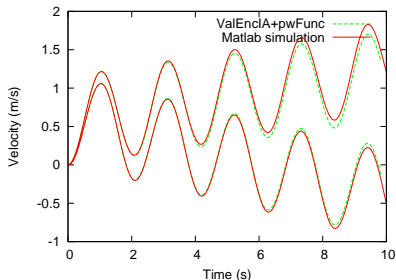
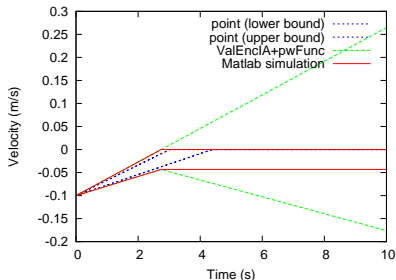
$$\kappa_x = 0.001$$

$$x_1(0) = 0$$

$$x_2(0) = 0$$

$$\omega(0) = 0.001$$

$$u(t) = 2 \sin(3t)$$



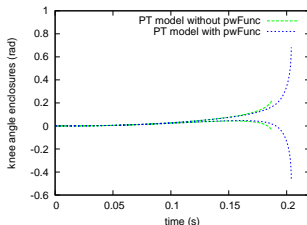
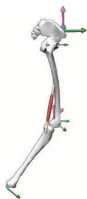
The PT Muscle Model

Activation function: $0 \leq a(t) = A_1 e^{-c_1(t-t_1)} + A_2 e^{-c_2(t-t_2)} \leq 1$

PT muscle force : $F \leq 0$

Thigh length: $p = 0.45 \pm 0.1\%$

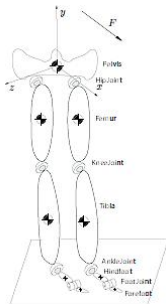
Dynamics in SMARTMOBILE with VALENCIA-IVP
with and without piecewise functions:



Improvement in
break down times!

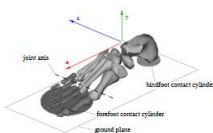
Stabilization of Stance*

Human skeleton



Mass parameters

Foot contact



Hunt-Crossley
contact



Contact parameters

Stance stabilizer

PID controller

$$Q = K_p \cdot \varphi + K_d \cdot \frac{d\varphi}{dt} + K_i \int \varphi dt$$



Force parameters

* Modeling: X. Liu, H. Albassam (UDE)

Stance Stabilization: Equations of Motion

$$M(q; t)q'' + \underbrace{b(q, q'; t)}_f = Q(q, q'; t), \text{ dof}=26$$

Parameters of interest: m_{pelvis} , p_x , F_x , $m_{rfemur} = 10.34\text{kg}$

$$[f_1 \ f_2 \ f_4 \ f_6] = [[0, 200] \ [-940.00, -595.69] \ [-31.89, 31.89] \ [-50.17, 45.49]]$$

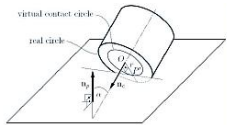
Sensitivity (interval/nominal)

	m_{pelvis}	p_x	m_{rfemur}	F_x
f_1	0.0	0.0	0.0	1
f_2	-9.8	0.0	-9.8	0.0
f_4	$[-0.5, 0.5]/0$	0.0	0.7848	0.0
f_6	$[-9.81, 0.5]/-0.25$	$[-637.66, -343.34]/-490.5$	0.5	0.0

Stance Stabilization: To-Do-List

Major challenge: Foot contact problem

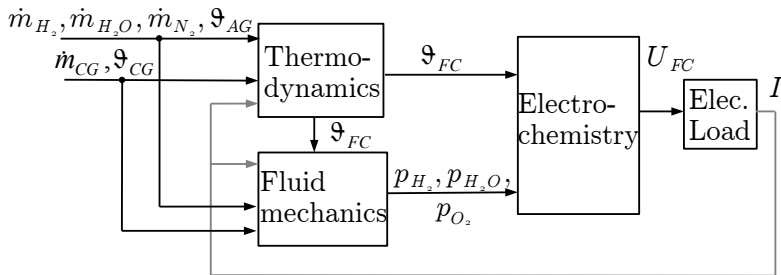
Advantages: e.g. contact area **modeling** with intervals



Necessary: A solver similar to Rihm's for dynamics
A solver similar to Chen's for equilibria

Outlook: Control-Oriented Modeling and Simulation for SOFC Fuel Cells

Three subprocesses:



A. Rauh, Th. Dötschel, H. Aschemann: Experimental Parameter Identification for a Control-Oriented Model of the Thermal Behavior of High-Temperature Fuel Cells MMAR 2011, accepted.

Outlook: Switchings in SOFC Modeling

- Hysteresis in the electro-chemical subsystem
 - Activation losses
 - Concentration losses
 - Storage of charge carriers in the double layer
- Detection of predominant influence factors
 - (Partial) Pressures of fuel gas and air
 - Temperatur
 - Electric load conditions
- Modeling of disturbances, especially electric load drop-off

Outlook: Switchings in SOFC Modeling (Cont.)

Locally restricted validity of system models

- Piecewise (polynomial) approximation of
 - (Specific) Heat capacity
 - Heat conductivity
 - Thermal resistances
 - Enthalpy
- Physical limitation of the range of state variables
 - Non-negativity of partial pressures
 - Temperatures
 - Volume and mass flow rates

Outlook: Switchings in SOFC Modeling (Cont.)

- Saturation in actuator dynamics
 - Gas preheaters for fuel gas and air
 - Mass flow controllers for fuel gas and air
- Introduction of hysteresis as an additional degree of freedom in controller design to reduce actuator
- Goal: Reliable detections of possible limit cycles
- Goal: Reliable prevention of limit cycles

Outlook: Switchings in SOFC Modeling (Cont.)

- General variable structure control and estimation approaches
- Nonlinear control design
 - Model predictive control with active avoidance of limit cycles
 - Sliding mode controllers
 - Sliding mode observers
- Discrete-time implementation with piecewise constant signals (control and estimated values)
- Necessity to compute derivatives of at least first order during sensitivity analysis

Conclusions

Results:

- Implementation of a simple extension for VALENCIA to work with non-smooth functions
- A proof for continuous functions
- Simulation for a system with friction and hysteresis
- Results similar to Rauh

Future work:

- Application to stance stabilization
- Application to SOFC