

Approximate reachability computation for polynomial systems

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Introduction

Reachable set computation for differential equations

- often requires symbolic computation (to handle non-determinism)

We propose to use ‘set integration’ which combines ‘traditional’ numerical integration schemes with set computations

- Numerical integration can be applied to general differential equations and provides **efficient error control** mechanisms
- Convenient to approximate single solutions, but we need to characterize **sets of all possible solutions**

Reachable set computation using numerical integration

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = g(\mathbf{x}(t)); \quad \mathbf{x}(0) = \mathbf{x}_0$$

Main idea

- A typical numerical scheme:

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathcal{Y}_k(g, h, \mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k)$$

where h is the step size.

- Set integration: computing such schemes with sets, that is \mathbf{x}_k is **not a single point** in \mathbb{R}^n **but a subset** of \mathbb{R}^n

In this presentation, we apply this idea to polynomial differential equations

Polynomial differential equations

We consider a polynomial differential equation:

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}}(t) = g(\mathbf{x}(t)) = A\mathbf{x}(t) + f(\mathbf{x}(t))$$

f is the non-linear part

Considering $f(\mathbf{x}(t))$ as independent input, we can write:

$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = e^{Ah}\mathbf{x}_k + \int_0^h e^{A(h-\tau)} f(\mathbf{x}(t_k + \tau)) d\tau.$$

Approximate $\mathbf{x}(t_k + \tau)$ by $\alpha(t_k + \tau) = \mathbf{x}_k + g(\mathbf{x}_k)\tau$. Then,

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}}_{k+1} = e^{Ah}\mathbf{x}_k + \int_0^h e^{A(h-\tau)} g(\alpha(t_k + \tau)) d\tau = e^{Ah}\mathbf{x}_k + Q(\mathbf{x}_k)$$

The map $Q(\mathbf{x}_k)$ is a polynomial in \mathbf{x}_k . We shall compute this map using Bézier techniques

Second order approximation scheme

Definitions

A **multi-index** $\mathbf{i} = (\mathbf{i}[1], \dots, \mathbf{i}[n + 1])$ is a vector of non-negative integers. The norm $\|\mathbf{i}\| = \sum_{j=1}^{n+1} \mathbf{i}[j]$

Δ simplex with vertices $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_{n+1}\}$.

$\mathbf{x} \in \Delta$, $\lambda(\mathbf{x})$: barycentric coordinates of \mathbf{x} w.r.t Δ , that is, $\mathbf{x} = \sum_k \lambda_k(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{v}_k$ and $\sum_k \lambda_k(\mathbf{x}) = 1$.

For $\mathbf{x} \in \Delta$, polynomial $\boldsymbol{\pi}(\mathbf{x})$ (of degree d) can be expressed as a **Bézier simplex**:

$$\boldsymbol{\pi}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\|\mathbf{i}\|=d} \mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{i}} B_{\mathbf{i},d}(\lambda_1(\mathbf{x}), \dots, \lambda_{n+1}(\mathbf{x}))$$

where $B_{\mathbf{i},d}(y_1, \dots, y_{n+1}) = \binom{d}{\mathbf{i}} y_1^{\mathbf{i}[1]} y_2^{\mathbf{i}[2]} \dots y_{n+1}^{\mathbf{i}[n+1]}$ (**Bernstein polynomials**), with the multimomial coefficient $\binom{d}{\mathbf{i}} = \frac{d!}{\mathbf{i}[1]!\mathbf{i}[2]!\dots\mathbf{i}[n+1]!}$.

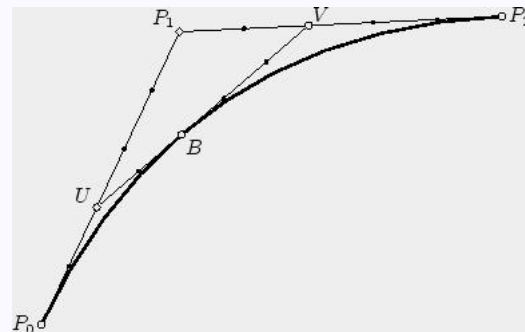
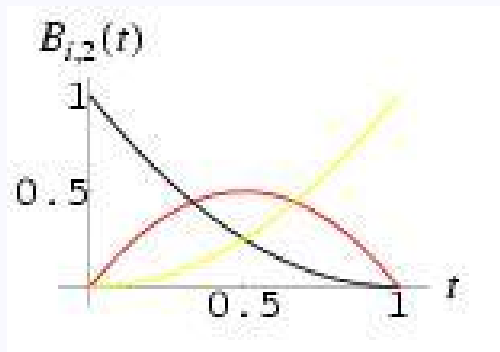
Each vector $\mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{i}} \in \mathbb{R}^n$: **Bézier control point**. All such $\mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{i}}$ form the **Bézier control net**.

Example - Bézier curves

Dimension $n = 1$. With $d = 2$, **multi-indices** with $||\mathbf{i}|| = 2$: $\{(0, 2), (1, 1), (2, 0)\}$.

A **quadratic Bézier curve** is: $\pi(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathbf{i}} \mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{i}} B_{\mathbf{i},2}(\lambda_1(\mathbf{x}), \lambda_2(\mathbf{x}))$, for $\mathbf{x} \in [\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2]$.

There are **3 control points** $\mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{i}}$.

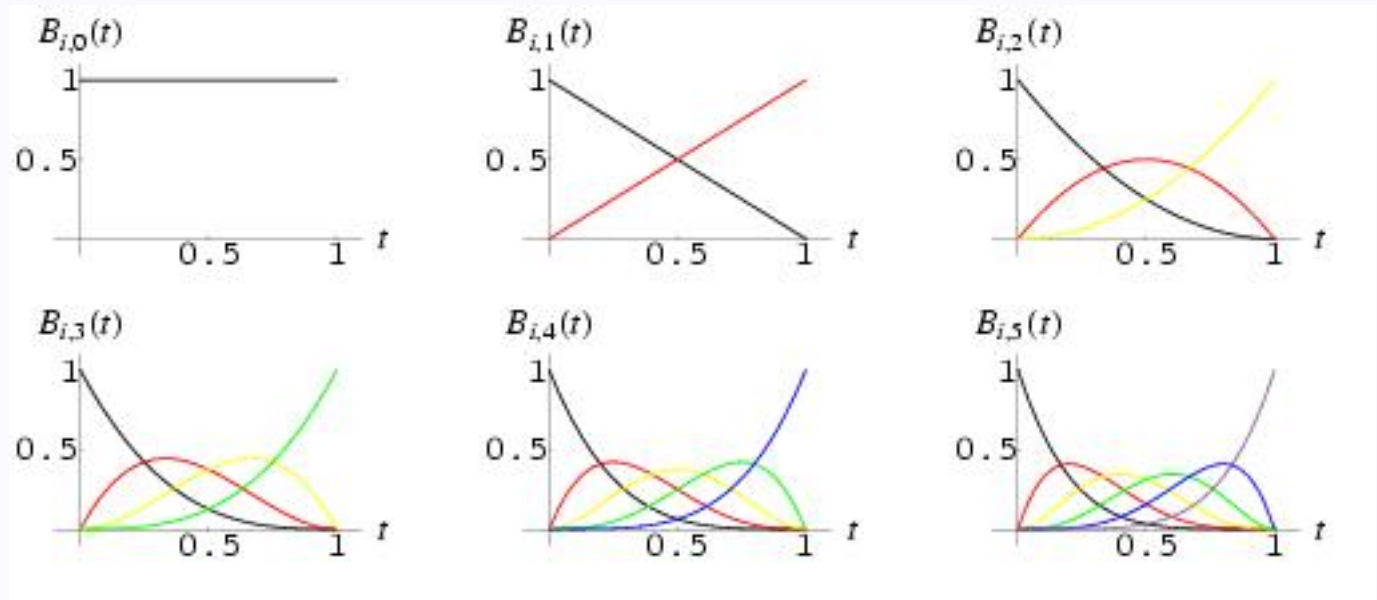


Bernstein polynomials

$$B_{\mathbf{i},2}(t) = B_{\mathbf{i},2}(y_1, y_2) = \binom{2}{\mathbf{i}} y_1^{\mathbf{i}^{[1]}} y_2^{\mathbf{i}^{[2]}}, y_1 = t \in [0, 1], y_2 = 1 - t$$

Example - Bézier curves (cont'd)

Dimension $n = 1$.



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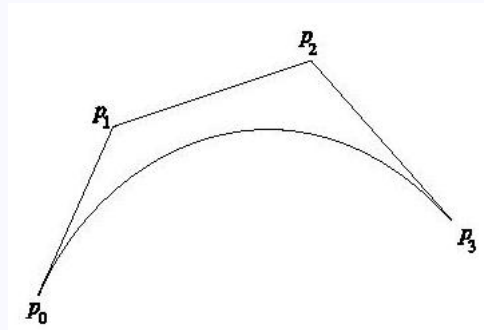
$$B_{i,d}(t) = B_{i,d}(y_1, y_2) = \binom{d}{i} y_1^{i[1]} y_2^{i[2]}, y_1 = t \in [0, 1], y_2 = 1 - t$$

Bézier simplices - Shape Properties

Any polynomial can be written in form of a Bézier simplex. Given an arbitrary point $\mathbf{x} \in \Delta$,

1. **Convex hull property:** the point $\pi(\mathbf{x})$ lies inside the convex hull of the control net
2. **End-point interpolation property:** the polynomial π interpolates the control net at the corner control points.

Number of control points \mathbf{p}_i is $\binom{d+n}{n} = \frac{(d+n)!}{d! n!}$.



\Rightarrow Using the convex hull of the Bézier control net as a **tight over-approximation** of $\pi(\Delta)$.

Computing the Bézier control points

Problem: For a polynomial π given in monomial form and a simplex $\Delta = \text{conv}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_{n+1}\}$, we want to compute the control net of π with respect to Δ .

Blossoming principle For any polynomial $\pi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ of degree d , there is a unique symmetric d -affine map $\beta : \mathbb{R}^{nd} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ such that for all $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$: $\beta(\mathbf{x}, \dots, \mathbf{x}) = \pi(\mathbf{x})$.

Recall: $q(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_d)$ is d -affine if it is affine when all but one of its arguments are kept fixed; symmetric if its value does not depend on the ordering of the arguments.

Connection with the Bézier control net:

$$\mathbf{p}_i = \beta\left(\underbrace{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_1}_{i[1]}, \underbrace{\mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_2}_{i[2]}, \dots, \underbrace{\mathbf{v}_{n+1}, \dots, \mathbf{v}_{n+1}}_{i[n+1]}\right)$$

\Rightarrow To compute \mathbf{p}_i we can evaluate the blossom with some particular arguments

Evaluating blossom values

Illustrate the computation of blossom values of polynomial $(\mathbf{x}[i])^h(\mathbf{x}[j])^k$.

$$\beta_{h,k}^d(\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_d) = \frac{1}{\binom{d}{h} \binom{d-h}{k}} \sum_{\substack{I \cup J \subseteq \{1, \dots, d\}, \\ |I| = h, |J| = k, I \cap J = \emptyset}} \prod_{r \in I} \mathbf{u}_r[i] \prod_{s \in J} \mathbf{u}_s[j]$$

Denote $\sigma_{h,k}^d = \frac{1}{\binom{d}{h} \binom{d-h}{k}} \beta_{h,k}^d(\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_d)$.

The symmetric function σ : choose h i^{th} coordinates of d argument points and k j^{th} coordinates and form their product, then sum these products over all possible choices.

$$\begin{cases} \sigma_{h,k}^d = \sigma_{h,k}^{d-1} + \mathbf{u}_d[i] \sigma_{h-1,k}^{d-1} + \mathbf{u}_d[j] \sigma_{h,k-1}^{d-1} & \text{if } h, k \geq 0 \text{ and } h+k \geq 1, \\ \sigma_{0,0}^d = 0 \end{cases}$$

Complexity $O(d^3)$

Error bound and subdivision

Error in the approximation of the polynomial map $\boldsymbol{\pi}$ by its Bézier control points is $\mathcal{O}(\rho^2)$ ($\rho = \text{max side length}$).

When Δ is large \Rightarrow subdivide it into smaller simplices, which creates new Bézier bases and therefore new control points.

Computation of the new control nets that reuses the results obtained for the original simplex:

1. Partition the simplex Δ by adding a point $\mathbf{x} \in \Delta$ and forming new smaller simplices.
2. We can use *de Casteljau* algorithm to evaluate $\boldsymbol{\pi}(\mathbf{x})$ and this computation also produces the control net for the new simplices.

Reachability algorithm

$$R_0 = X_0, k = 0$$

REPEAT

$$S_\Delta = \text{triangulation}(\text{vertices}(R_k))$$

$$C = \emptyset$$

FORALL($\Delta \in S_\Delta$)

$$C = C \cup \text{Bez}(\Delta)$$

ENDFOR

$$R_{k+1} = \text{conv}(C)$$

$$k = k + 1$$

UNTIL($R_{k+1} = R_k$)

Bez over-approximates $P(\Delta)$, P is the integration map

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$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = k_2x_2 - k_1x_1x_3 + u_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 = k_1x_1x_3 - k_2x_2 \\ \dot{x}_3 = k_2x_2 - k_1x_1x_3 - nx_3 + nu_2 \end{cases}$$

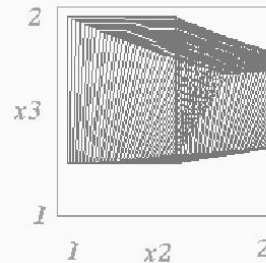
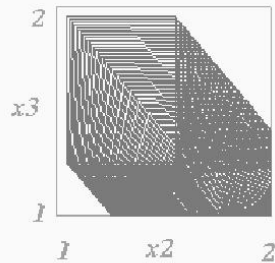
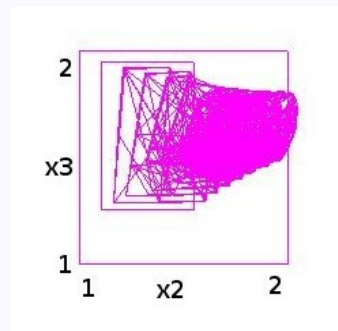
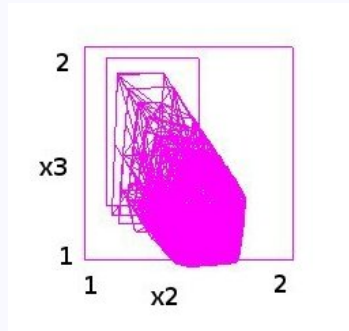
State variables (x_1, x_2, x_3) : cellular concentrations of different species.

Parameters k_1, k_2, n : binding, dissociation and diffusion constants.

Control objective: steering the system to the face $x_2 = 2$ (activation of some genes).

Control laws: $u_1(\mathbf{x}) = -10(x_2 + x_1(-1 + 3) - 4x_3)$ and $u_2(\mathbf{x}) = x_1(3 + x_2(-1 + x_3)) - (-2 + x_2)x_3$.

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The results are more precise than those obtained using abstraction by projection [Asarin Dang 03].

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Hybrid model with two modes and one additional continuous variable x_4 . The continuous dynamics is $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = A\mathbf{x} + g(\mathbf{x}) + b_{ij}$ where b_{01} and b_{10} correspond respectively to the non-luminescent and luminescent modes

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{-1}{H_{sp}} & 0 & 0 & r_{Co} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{-1}{H_{sp}} - r_{Co} \\ 0 & x_0 r_{AII} & \frac{-1}{H_{AI}} & x_0 r_{Co} \\ 0 & \frac{-1}{H_{sp}} & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}; \quad g(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -x_0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} r_{AIR} x_1 x_3$$

Question: determine the sets of states from which the system can reach the luminescent equilibrium. The condition for switching between the two modes is $x_2 = x_{2sw}$.

Qualitative results compatible with the previous study using d/dt (on a linearized model by fixing x_1 constant),

Larger set of states that can reach the equilibrium.

Concluding remarks

Combining the idea of set integration with techniques from CAGD

We achieved a second order approximation method

Higher order methods can be derived (but the resulting polynomials are more complex, i.e. more monomial terms)

Future directions: using splines??

Questions?? and thank you.

Subdivision

$$\mathbf{p}_i^l = \beta(\underbrace{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_1}_{\mathbf{i}[1]}, \dots, \underbrace{\mathbf{v}_{n+1}, \dots, \mathbf{v}_{n+1}}_{\mathbf{i}[n+1]}, \underbrace{\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_l}_l)$$

$$\mathbf{p}_i^l = \lambda_1(\mathbf{x}_l)\mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{i}+\mathbf{e}_1}^{l-1} + \dots + \lambda_n(\mathbf{x}_l)\mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{i}+\mathbf{e}_n}^{l-1}, \quad \mathbf{i}[1] + \dots + \mathbf{i}[n+1] + l = d$$

where $\mathbf{e}_1 = (1, 0, \dots, 0)$, $\mathbf{o} = (0, 0, \dots, 0)$. Note that \mathbf{p}_i^0 are the Bézier control points, and $\mathbf{p}_\mathbf{o}^d = \beta(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_d)$.

We run the algorithm from $l = 0$ to $l = d$ with all $\mathbf{x}_l = \mathbf{x}$ to obtain $\mathbf{p}_\mathbf{o}^d = \beta(\mathbf{x}, \dots, \mathbf{x})$. In the following example, $\mathbf{p}_{(2,0,0)}^1 = \lambda_1(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{p}_{(3,0,0)}^0 + \lambda_2(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{p}_{(2,1,0)}^0 + \lambda_3(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{p}_{(2,0,1)}^0$

