Assuring Autonomy in Contested Environments Attack-Resilient Design



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Security-Aware Design of Autonomous Systems

- Physical world abides by the laws of physics!
- Physical interfaces introduce new attack vectors!

• How can we exploit *limited* knowledge of laws of physics (system model) for control and attack detection/identification

- Attack-Resilient design with *uncertainty, resource/platform constraints,* as well as varying (especially high) levels of autonomy
 - How much can the attacker exploit modeling limitation?
 - How can we effectively exploit physics to improve guarantees in the presence of attacks?

Security-Aware Control for Autonomous Systems



[CDC19a,CDC19b, TAC19*, TII19]

[TAC19a ,TAC19b, TCPS20*, ACC20*, AUT20a*, AUT19*,AUT18, TECS17, RTSS17,TCNS17, CSM17, CDC17,CDC18,...]

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Attack-Resilient State Estimation for Noisy Dynamical Systems

• Consider an initial state \mathbf{x}_0 and attack vectors from $\mathbf{\tilde{e}} \quad \mathbf{\tilde{y}} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{\tilde{y}}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{\tilde{y}}_n \end{vmatrix}, \mathbf{\tilde{e}} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{\tilde{v}}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{\tilde{w}}_n \end{vmatrix}, \mathbf{\tilde{w}} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{\tilde{w}}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{\tilde{w}}_n \end{vmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{O} = \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{O}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{O}_n \end{vmatrix}$

$$egin{aligned} P_0 : & \min_{ ilde{\mathbf{e}}, \mathbf{x}} \| ilde{\mathbf{e}} \|_{l_2, l_0} \ s. t. & ilde{\mathbf{y}} - \mathbf{O} \mathbf{x}_0 - ilde{\mathbf{e}} = \mathbf{0} \end{aligned}$$

- Goal: guarantees for $P_{0,\omega}$ and $P_{1,\omega}$ based estimators
 - Bounds on the state estimation errors
 - Sound attacked sensor identification

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[ICCPS'14 – Best paper award, CDC15, IEEE CSM'17, IEEE TCNS'17]

Scalable and Optimal Graph-Search Method for RSE





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$$\mathbf{x}_{k+1} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u}_k + \mathbf{w}_k \qquad supp(\mathbf{a}_k) = \mathcal{K}$$
$$\mathbf{y}_k = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}_k + \mathbf{a}_k + \mathbf{v}_k \qquad \mathbf{a}_{k,i} = 0, \forall i \in \mathcal{K}^C$$

Theorem 1 [1,2,3,4*]:

A system presented above is perfectly attackable if and only if it is unstable, and at least one eigenvector \mathbf{v} corresponding to an unstable mode satisfies $supp(\mathbf{Cv}) \subseteq \mathcal{K}$ and \mathbf{v} is a reachable state of the dynamic system.

Physical detectors cannot always protect us from an intelligent attacker...

Can data authentication help?

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Theorem: A system Σ with a global data integrity police $\mu(L)$ is not perfectly attackable.

State Estimation Error In the Presence of Stealthy Attacks



Reachable region of the state estimation error under attack $^{[1,2,3]}$

 $\mathcal{R}[k] = \left\{ \boldsymbol{e} \in \mathbb{R}^{\boldsymbol{n}} \middle| \begin{array}{l} \boldsymbol{e} \boldsymbol{e}^{\mathrm{T}} \leq E[\boldsymbol{e}^{a}[k]] E[\boldsymbol{e}^{a}[k]]^{\mathrm{T}} + \gamma Cov(\boldsymbol{e}^{a}_{k}) \\ \boldsymbol{e}^{a}[k] = \boldsymbol{e}^{a}_{k}(\mathbf{a}_{1...k}), \mathbf{a}_{1...k} \in \mathcal{A}_{k} \end{array} \right\}$

 $\mathbf{a}_{1\dots k} = [\mathbf{a}[1]^{\mathrm{T}} \dots \mathbf{a}[k]^{\mathrm{T}}]^{\mathrm{T}}$ \mathcal{A}_k is the set of all stealthy attacks

 $e_k^a(\mathbf{a}_{1...k})$ is the estimation error evolution due to attack $\mathbf{a}_{1...k}$



--- k=1 --- k=2 --- k=3 --- k=4 w/o int. enf. --- k=4 w/ int. enf.



Integrity enforcement policy ensures attacker's influence is zeroed at enforcement points

Data integrity enforcement policy (μ, l) where $\mu = \{t_k\}_{k=0}^{\infty}$, with $t_{k-1} < t_k, \forall k > 0$ and $l = \sup_{k>0} t_k - t_{k-1}$ ensures that $\mathbf{a}_{1...k} = 0, \forall k \ge 0$

This means that at points of authentication $y_i^{net,a}[k] = y_i^a[k]$



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Platform-aware Execution/Integration of Cyber-Physical Security Components





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On the higher level, CPS is abstracted by discrete event systems, namely, finite state models driven by discrete events.



Using FSTs to Model Attacks





Attack-Resiliency <=> Controllability Under Attacks

Not any desired model \mathcal{D} is controllable!



Controllability Theorem: For desired Model $\mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathcal{P}$ 1. The minimal controllable model containing \mathcal{D} is $\widetilde{\mathcal{D}} = \mathcal{A}_I^{-1} \circ \mathcal{A}_I \circ \mathcal{D}$ achieved by the supervisor when observable $\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{A}_0^{-1} \circ \mathcal{D} \circ \mathcal{A}_I^{-1}.$ 2. The maximal controllable model contained in \mathcal{D} is $\underline{\mathcal{D}} = \mathcal{D} \setminus \mathcal{A}_{I}^{-1} \circ \mathcal{A}_{I} \circ \left(\left(\mathcal{A}_{I}^{-1} \circ \mathcal{A}_{I} \right)^{\infty} \circ \mathcal{D} \right) \setminus \mathcal{D} \right),$ achieved by the supervisor when observable $\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{A}_0^{-1} \circ \mathcal{D} \circ \mathcal{A}_I^{-1}.$ The desired model is controllable if and only if $\mathcal{D} = \widetilde{\mathcal{D}} = \mathcal{D}$.

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Toolbox: ARSC for Synthesis of Attack-Resilient Supervisory Control

Modeling Intermittent Authentication in DES

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Want: $i_1 i_2 i_3 i_4 i_1 i_2 \dots$ Send attack-resilient: $i_1 i_5 i_1 i_2 \dots$

[CDC19b]

 (l_1, l_2) -Accessibility: For models $N \subseteq M$, M is (l_1, l_2) -accessible from N if

1. The graph subtraction M/N is a tree, with longest path $\leq l_2$.

2.For any such path, there is a path $\leq l_1$ with same start and end in the graph of N



Controllability Theorem with Intermittent Authentication : The the desired model \mathcal{D} is controllable if and only if it is (l_1, l_2) -accessible from $\underline{\mathcal{D}}$.

[CDC19b]

Real-Time Enforcement of Regular Specifications

Assuring safe control execution in the age of AI



Challenge 1: Given the set of possible corrupted controls \mathcal{D} , how to revise any corrupted control $I_2 \in \mathcal{D}$ with minimal cost to some safe control $I_3 \in \mathcal{K}$

Challenge 2: Given the attack model \mathcal{A} , how to repair any corrupted control $I_2 \in \mathcal{D}$ with minimal cost to some control $I_3 \in \mathcal{K}$ that is indistinguishable from I_1









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Information inside this box is oftentimes unknown, i.e., hidden

Off-the-shelf model checkers do NOT support hidden variables Strategies CANNOT be synthesized based on hidden information

Approach: Delaying Actions

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→ Information is hidden from one player (H-UAV) by delaying the actions of the other player (ADV)

Definition (Delayed-Action Game).	
A DAG of an HIG $\mathcal{G}_{H} = \langle S, (S_{\mathrm{I}}, S_{\mathrm{II}}, S_{\bigcirc}), A, s_0, \beta, \delta \rangle$,	Is based on an HIG
with players $\Gamma = \{I, II, \bigcirc\}$	
over a set of variables $V = \{v_{\mathcal{T}}, v_{\mathcal{B}}\}$	Truth and Belief
is a tuple $\mathcal{G}_{D} = \langle \hat{S}, (\hat{S}_{\mathrm{I}}, \hat{S}_{\mathrm{II}}, \hat{S}_{\bigcirc}), A, \hat{s}_{0}, \beta, \hat{\delta} \rangle$ where	
$-\hat{S} \subseteq Ev(v_{\mathcal{T}}) \times Ev(v_{\mathcal{B}}) \times A_{\mathrm{II}}^* \times \mathbb{N}_0 \times \Gamma$ partitioned into $\hat{S}_{\mathrm{I}}, \hat{S}_{\mathrm{II}}$ and $\hat{S}_{\bigcirc};$	
$-\hat{s}_0 \in \hat{S}_{\mathrm{II}}$ is the initial state;	Always starts with PL2
$-\hat{\delta}: \hat{S} \times A \times \hat{S} \rightarrow [0,1]$ is a transition function s.t.	
$ \hat{\delta}(\hat{s}_{\mathrm{II}}, a, \hat{s}_{\bigcirc}) = \hat{\delta}(\hat{s}_{\mathrm{I}}, a, \hat{s}_{\mathrm{II}}) = \hat{\delta}(\hat{s}_{\bigcirc}, a, \hat{s}_{\mathrm{I}}) = 0, \text{ and } \\ \hat{\delta}(\hat{s}_{\mathrm{II}}, a, \hat{s}_{\mathrm{II}}), \hat{\delta}(\hat{s}_{\mathrm{I}}, a, \hat{s}_{\mathrm{I}}), \hat{\delta}(\hat{s}_{\mathrm{I}}, a, \hat{s}_{\bigcirc}) \in \{0, 1\}, $	Specific order for players
$\hat{\delta}(\hat{s}_{\mathrm{II}}, heta, \hat{s}_{\mathrm{I}}) \in \{0, 1\},$	PL2 to PL1 through special action $ heta$
for all $\hat{s}_{\mathrm{I}} \in \hat{S}_{\mathrm{I}}$, $\hat{s}_{\mathrm{II}} \in \hat{S}_{\mathrm{II}}$, $\hat{s}_{\bigcirc} \in \hat{S}_{\bigcirc}$ and $a \in A$,	
where $\sum_{\hat{s}' \in \hat{S}_{II}} \delta(s_{\bigcirc}, a, s') = 1$.	

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DAG Properties

DAG-HIG simulation relation

Definition 9 (Game Proper Simulation). A game \mathcal{G}_{D} properly simulates \mathcal{G}_{H} , denoted by $\mathcal{G}_{\mathsf{D}} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{G}_{\mathsf{H}}$, iff $\forall \varrho \in \operatorname{Prop}(\mathcal{G}_{\mathsf{H}})$, $\exists \hat{\varrho} \in \operatorname{Prop}(\mathcal{G}_{\mathsf{D}})$ such that $\varrho \sim \hat{\varrho}$.

Theorem 1 (Probabilistic Simulation). For any $s_0 \simeq \hat{s}_0$ and $\varrho \in \operatorname{Prop}(\mathcal{G}_{\mathsf{H}})$ where first $(\varrho) = s_0$, it holds that

$$\Pr\left[last(\varrho) = s'\right] = \Pr\left[\left(\overline{move(\varrho)}\right)(\hat{s}_0) = \hat{s}'\right] \quad \forall s', \hat{s}' \quad s.t. \quad s' \simeq \hat{s}'.$$

Theorem 2 (DAG-HIG Simulation). For any HIG \mathcal{G}_{H} there exists a DAG $\mathcal{G}_{D} = \mathfrak{D}[\mathcal{G}_{H}]$ such that $\mathcal{G}_{D} \rightsquigarrow \mathcal{G}_{H}$ (as defined in Def. 9).

DAG decomposition

Definition 10 (DAG Subgames). The subgames of a \mathcal{G}_{D} are defined by the set $\left\{\hat{\mathcal{G}}_{i} \mid \hat{\mathcal{G}}_{i} = \left\langle \hat{S}^{(i)}, (\hat{S}^{(i)}_{\mathrm{I}}, \hat{S}^{(i)}_{\mathrm{O}}), A, \hat{s}^{(i)}_{0}, \hat{\delta}^{(i)} \right\rangle, i \in \mathbb{N}_{0} \right\}, where \hat{S} = \bigcup_{i} \hat{S}^{(i)}; \hat{S}_{\gamma} = \bigcup_{i} \hat{S}^{(i)} \forall \gamma \in \Gamma; and \hat{s}^{(i)}_{0} = \hat{s}^{(i)}_{\mathrm{II}} s.t. \hat{s}^{(i)}_{\mathrm{II}} \in \operatorname{Prop}(\mathcal{G}^{(i)}_{\mathsf{D}}), \hat{s}^{(i)}_{\mathrm{II}} \neq \hat{s}^{(j)}_{\mathrm{II}} \forall i, j \in \mathbb{N}_{0}.$

DAG-Based Synthesis



MC: Model Checker ϕ_s : Synthesis query ϕ_a : Analysis query

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Model Checker: PRISM-games

Kwiatkowska, M., Parker, D. and Wiltsche, C., 2018. PRISM-games: verification and strategy synthesis for stochastic multi-player games with multiple objectives. International Journal on Software Tools for Technology Transfer, 20(2), pp.195-210. **Case Study**



Analysis



Security-Aware Human-on-the-Loop Protocols

How can we use human context awareness (in real-time) for security?



Operator

- Set goals
- Supervise mission
- Imagery tasks

Autonomy/automation

- Target assignment
- Trajectory planning
- Attack detection

Adversary

• Effects low-level control

Security-aware protocols

• Exploit human contextawareness for security



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Security-aware Human-on-the-Loop Planning

Payload

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Message

>Msg:

Damage : 0

Damage : 0

3 Damage : 0

Damage : 0

Damage : 0

Time Line

2 3 (4) (5)





[ICRA'19, iEEE THMS'19]







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 Develop planning methods that will improve attack-detection guarantees by allowing the deployed intrusion detection system to interact with the controller and the rest of the system

How to model such interactions? – MDPs, PTAs, SHAs

- Optimization based on solving stochastic games
 - How to incorporate learning?
 - How to incorporate formal guarantees?

Problem Statement

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Given an MDP M = (*S*, *A*, *P*, *s*₀, *AP*, *L*) where *P* is *fully* unknown and an LTL specification φ , design a model-free RL algorithm that finds a finite-memory objective policy π^{φ} that satisfies

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where $Pr_{max}(s \models \varphi) = max_{\pi}Pr_{\pi}(s \models \varphi)$ for all $s \in S$.

Limit-Deterministic Büchi Automata (LDBA) – consist of two deterministic components the *initial* and *accepting*. The only nonde-terministic transitions are the ϵ -moves from the initial component to the accepting components.



(a) A derived LDBA \mathcal{A} for the LTL formula $\varphi = \Diamond \Box a \lor \Diamond \Box b$



(b) An example MDP \mathcal{M} ; the circles denote MDP states, rectangles denote actions, and numbers transition probabilities







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Learning for Büchi conditions

For a given MDP M with $B \subseteq S$, the value function v_{π}^{γ} for the policy π and the discount factor γ satisfies

$$\lim_{\gamma \to 1^{-}} v_{\pi}^{\gamma}(s) = Pr_{\pi}\varphi(s \vDash \varphi)$$

for all states for all $s \in S$ if the return of a path is defined as

$$G_t(\sigma) \coloneqq \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} R_B(\sigma[t+i]) \prod_{j=0}^{i-1} \Gamma_B(\sigma[t+j])$$

where $\prod_{j=0}^{-1} \coloneqq 1$, $R_B: S \to [0,1)$ and $\Gamma_B: S \to (0,1)$ are the reward and the discount functions defined as

$$R_B(s) \coloneqq \begin{cases} 1 - \gamma_B, & s \in B \\ 0, & s \notin B \end{cases}, \qquad \Gamma_B(s) \coloneqq \begin{cases} \gamma_B, & s \in B \\ \gamma, & s \notin B \end{cases}.$$

Here, we set $\gamma_B = \gamma_B(\gamma)$ as a function of γ such that

$$\lim_{\gamma \to 1^-} \frac{1 - \gamma}{1 - \gamma_B(\gamma)} = 0.$$



Case Studies

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Robot tries to reach a safe absorbing state (states a or b in circle), while avoiding unsafe states (states c).

$$\varphi_1 = (\Diamond \Box a \lor \Diamond \Box b) \land \Box \neg c$$

Nursery Scenario

The robot's objective is to repeatedly check a baby (at state b) and go back to its charger (at state c), while avoiding the danger zone (at state d).

Near the baby b, the only allowed action is left and when taken the following situations can happen

- the robot hits the wall with probability 0.1, waking up the baby
- the robot moves left with probability 0.8 or moves down with probability 0.1.
- If the baby has been woken up, which means the robot could not leave in a single time step (represented by LTL as b ∧ Ob), the robot should notify the adult (at state a);
- otherwise, the robot should directly go back to the charger (at state c).



(a) Policy c to b (b) Policy b to c (c) Policy b to a (d) Policy a to b



Synthesis from LTL via Deep Imitative Q-Learning [ICRA20b*]





MDP with 1600 states

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Deep Imitative Reinforcement Learning for Temporal Logic Robot Motion Planning with Noisy Semantic Observations

Qitong Gao, Miroslav Pajic and Michael M. Zavlanos Duke University ICRA 20'



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Thank you











