

Verifying Probabilistic Conformance for Cyber-Physical Systems

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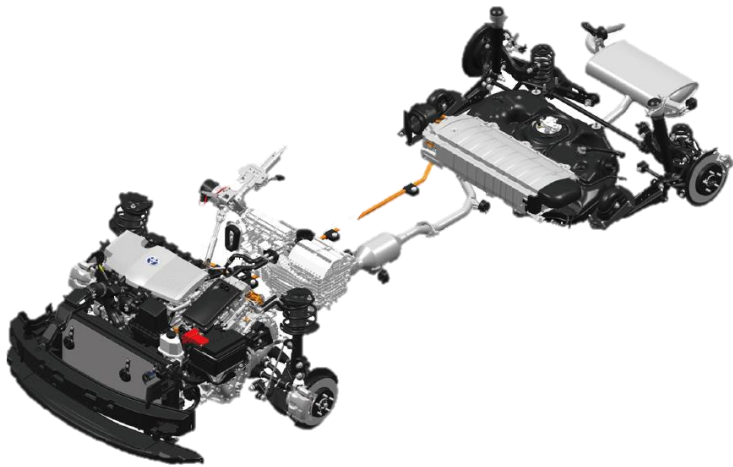
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Conformance of Cyber-Physical Systems (CPS)

Conformance: The behaviors of two CPS models are similar, so that the results from analyzing one model automatically transfer to the other.

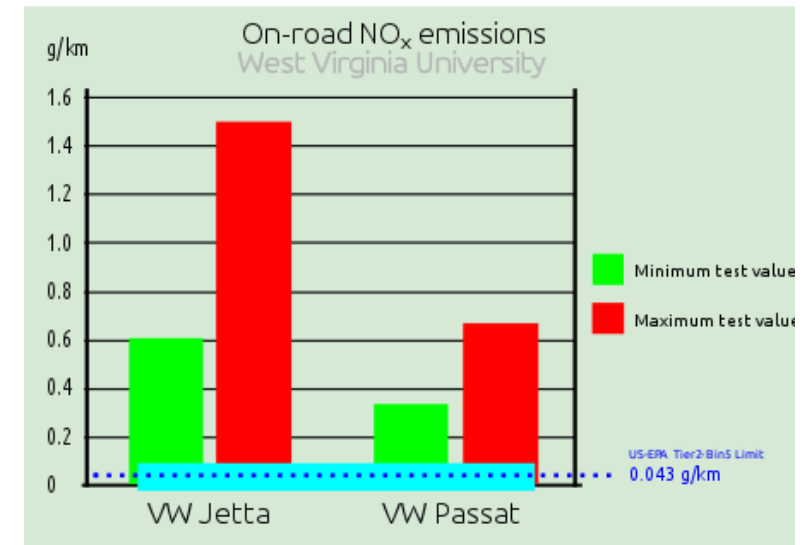
Model Simplification



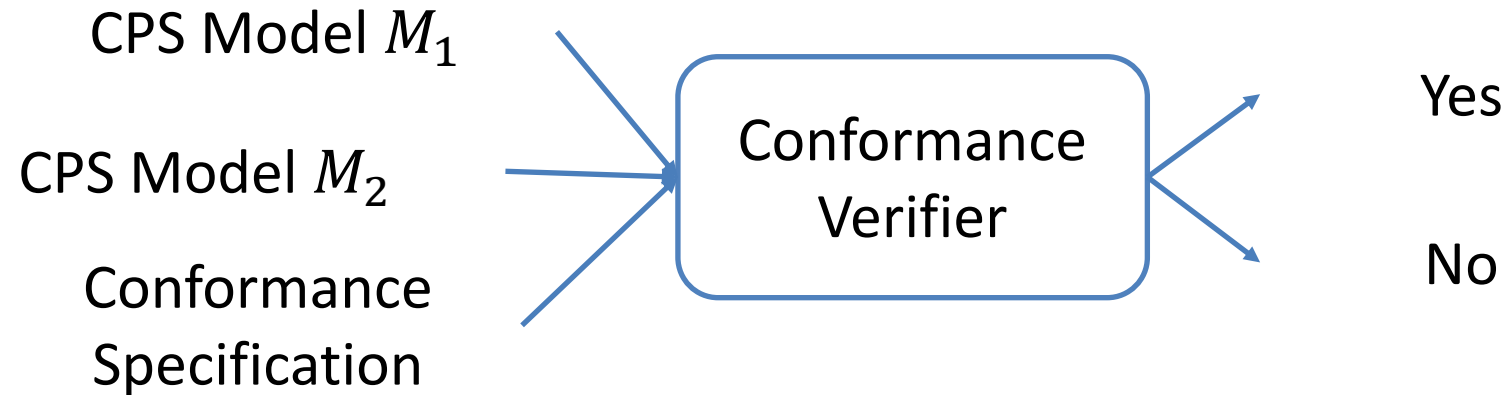
System Update



System Testing



Can we design a software tool to verify conformance?



Need for Formal Methods:

1. How to model cyber-physical systems?
2. How to formally express conformance specifications?
3. How to develop mathematically-rigorous algorithms to verify?

Q1: How to Model CPS?

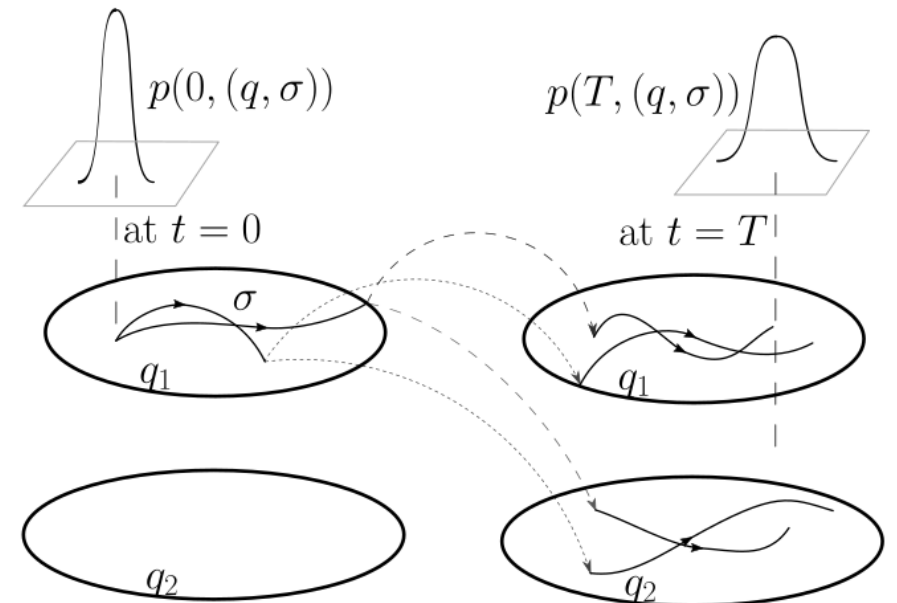
Probabilistic uncertain models (PUM): $\mathcal{S} = (\mathcal{X}, X^{init}, F, D, AP, L)$ where

- (Hybrid) state space \mathcal{X} , Initial state $X^{init} \in \mathcal{X}$
- Time-varying parameter $D(t)$ from **unknown** random processes
- (Hybrid) dynamics $X^+ = F(X(t), D(t))$
- AP is a set of labels, $L: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow 2^{AP}$ is a labeling function

The PUM allows capturing

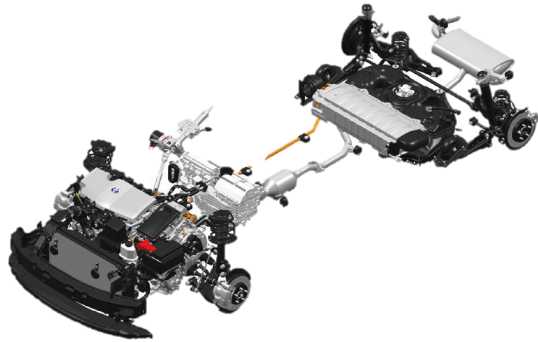
- Hybrid automata with probabilistic parameters (e.g., powertrain)
- Continuous-time Markov chains (e.g., queueing networks)

CPS dynamics are typically **hybrid** and **probabilistic**.

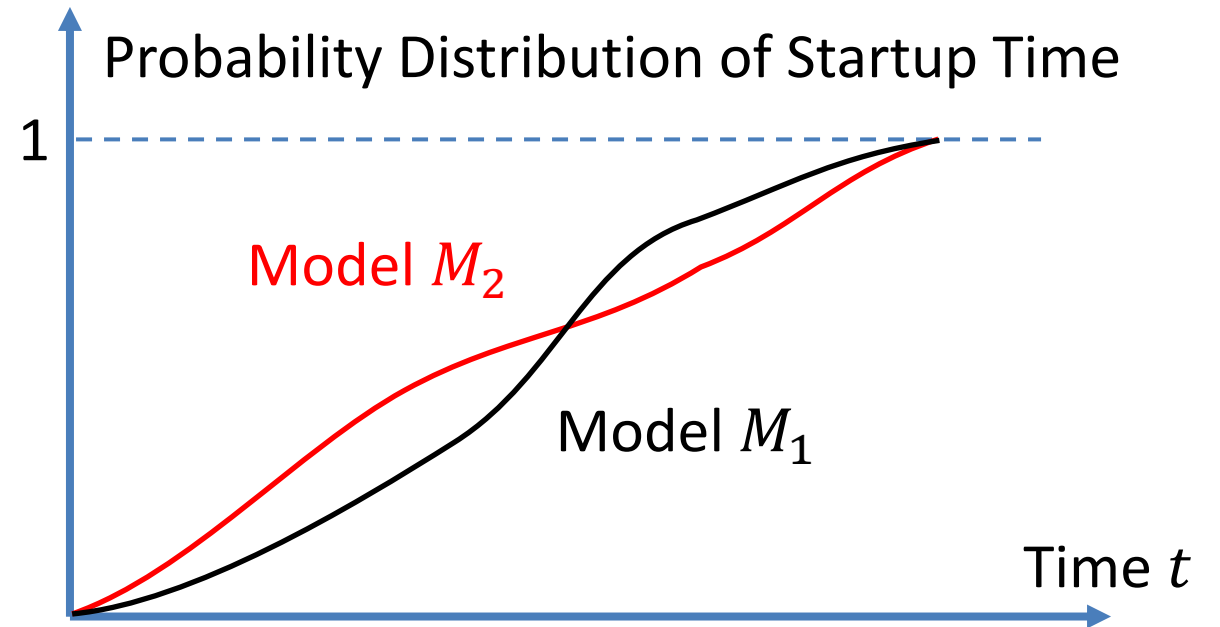


Q2: How to Formally Express Conformance?

Conformance is a **meta-specifications** of (infinitely) many simple specifications.



- M_1 : Detailed Dynamical Model
- M_2 : Simplified Dynamical Model



Probabilistic Conformance in Startup Time: If the probability of startup by time t is (almost) equal **for any t** for both models M_1 and M_2 .

Specify Conformance by Parametrized STL Formulas

Traditionally, **simple specifications** are formally expressible by **STL** formulas.

We express **meta-specifications** for conformance by **parametrized STL** formulas.

Signal Temporal Logic (STL):

$$\varphi ::= a \mid \neg\varphi \mid \varphi \wedge \varphi \mid \varphi \mathcal{U}_{[t_1, t_2]} \varphi$$

- a : atomic proposition,
- $t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{Q}$ with $t_2 > t_1 \geq 0$.

Examples

- Reach to goal: $\diamond_{[t_1, t_2]} \text{goal} = \text{True} \mathcal{U}_{[t_1, t_2]} \text{goal}$
- Stay Safe: $\square_{[t_1, t_2]} \text{safe} = \neg(\diamond_{[t_1, t_2]} \neg \text{safe})$

Probabilistic Conformance in Startup Time:
 $\forall t > 0, |\Pr_{\sigma_1 \sim \mathcal{M}_1}(\sigma_1 \models \diamond_{[0, t]} \text{started}) - \Pr_{\sigma_2 \sim \mathcal{M}_2}(\sigma_2 \models \diamond_{[0, t]} \text{started})| < c$

Q3: How to Verify Conformance?

Probabilistic Conformance in Startup Time:

$$\forall t > 0, \left| \Pr_{\sigma_1 \sim \mathcal{M}_1}(\sigma_1 \models \diamond_{[0,t]} \text{ started}) - \Pr_{\sigma_2 \sim \mathcal{M}_2}(\sigma_2 \models \diamond_{[0,t]} \text{ started}) \right| < c$$

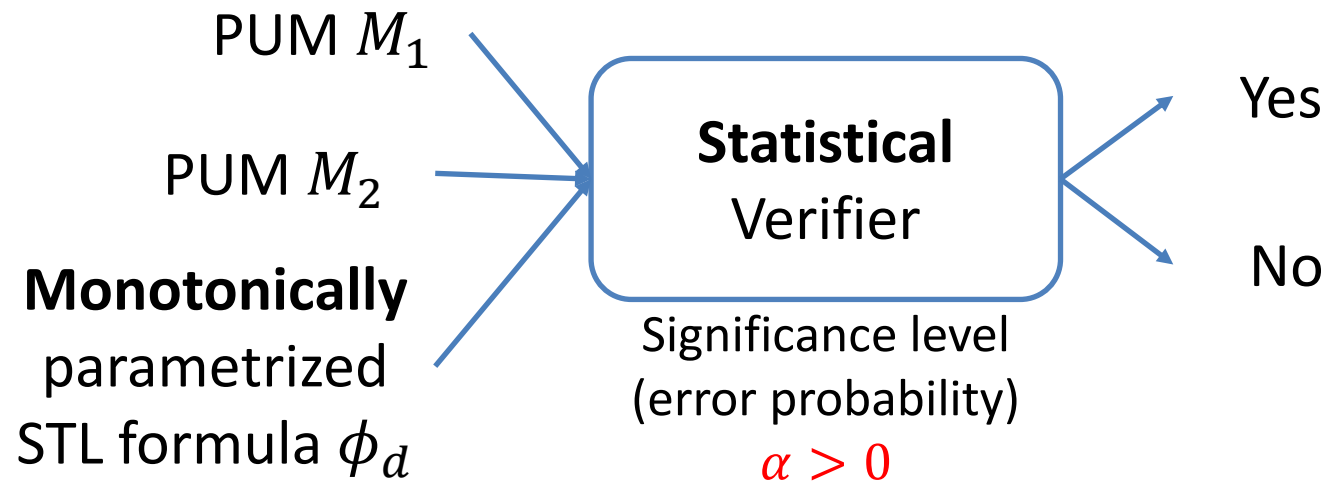
Conformance Definition: For a constant $c > 0$, if

$$\forall \vec{d}. \left| \Pr_{\sigma_1 \sim \mathcal{M}_1}(\sigma_1 \models \phi_{\vec{d}}) - \Pr_{\sigma_2 \sim \mathcal{M}_2}(\sigma_2 \models \phi_{\vec{d}}) \right| < c.$$

Challenge: Traditional verification methods can only handle unparametrized STL formulas.

We develop a new verification method for **monotonically** parametrized STL formulas.

The parametrized STL formula $\phi_{\vec{d}}$ is monotonic if and only if $\Pr_{\sigma_i \sim \mathcal{M}_i}(\sigma_i \models \phi_{\vec{d}})$ for $i = 1, 2$ increases/decreases with the entries of \vec{d} .



Advantages:

- Tolerate Unknowns
- Scalability
- Probabilistic Guarantee

For any pre-given $\alpha > 0$, the result is correct with probability at least $1 - \alpha$.

Step 1: Hypothesis Testing on Distribution Difference

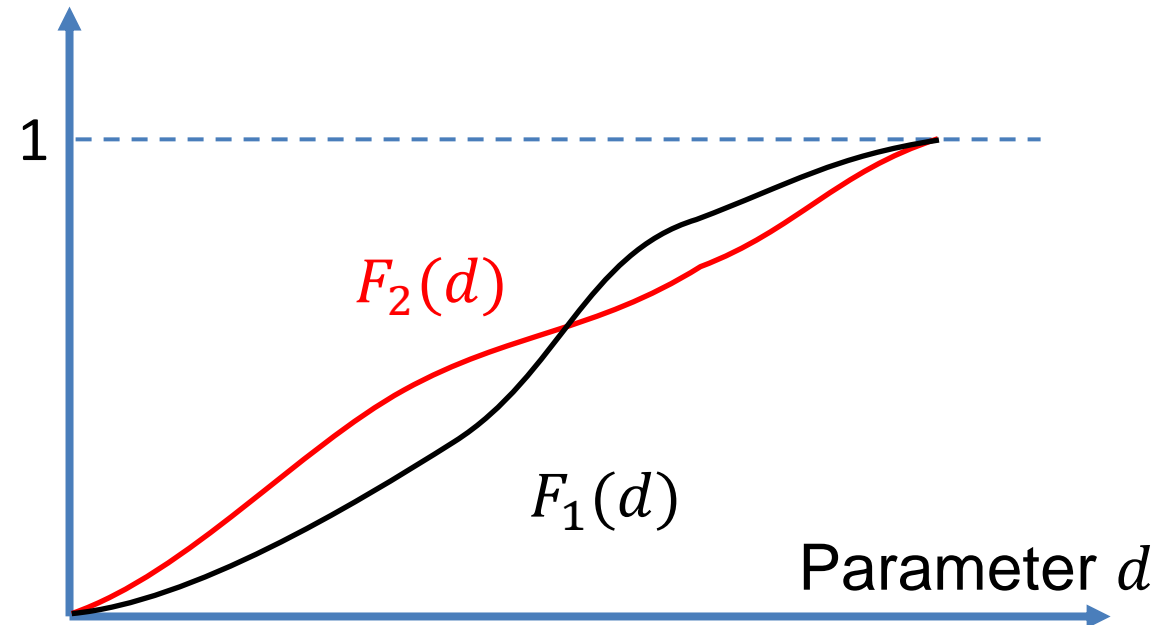
For simplicity, let the parameter d be a scalar.

If ϕ_d is monotonically parametrized, then $F_i(d) = \mathbf{Pr}_{\sigma_i \sim \mathcal{M}_i}(\sigma_i \leq \phi_d)$ are two cumulative distribution functions.

Conformance requires $\|F_1 - F_2\|_\infty < c$.

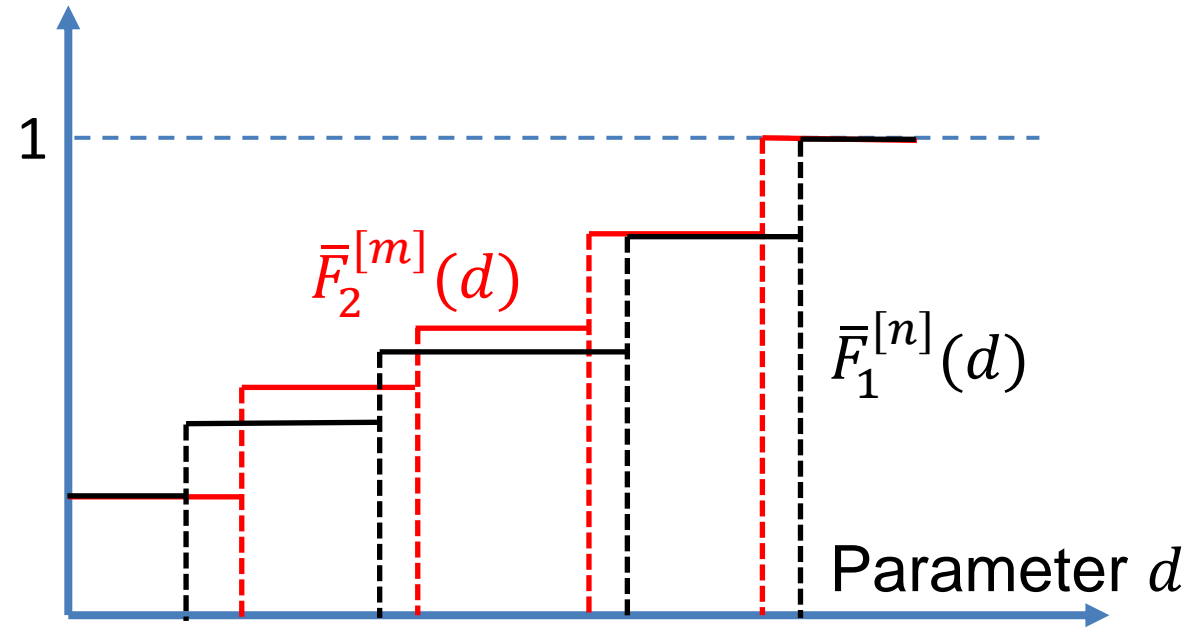
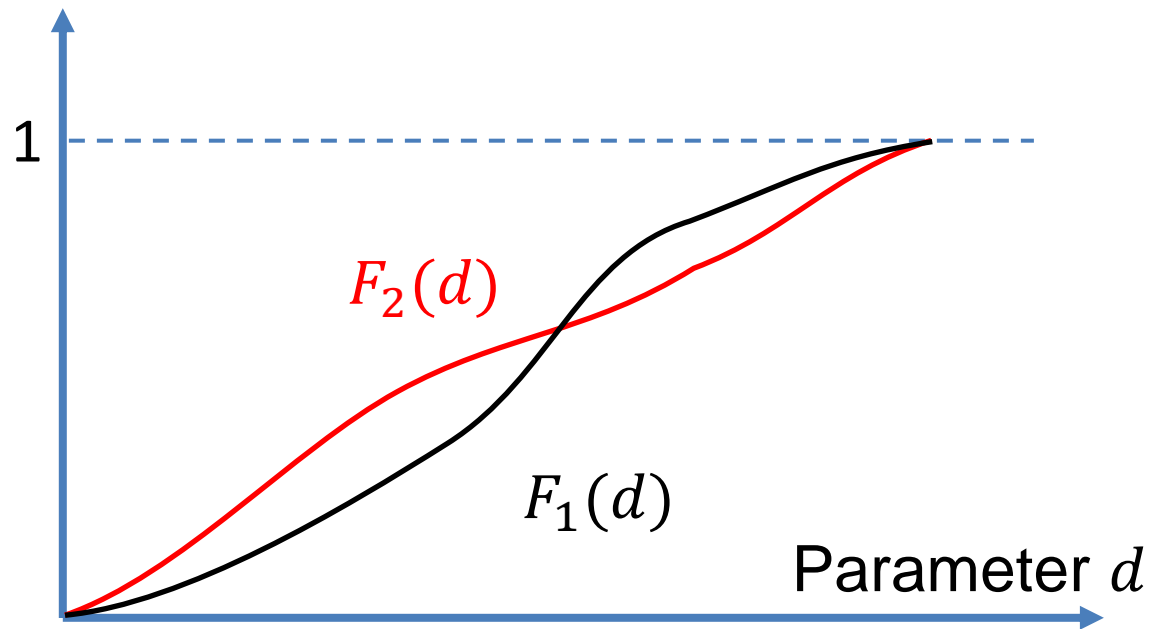
Hypothesis Testing:

$$\begin{cases} H_0: \|F_1 - F_2\|_\infty < c \\ H_1: \|F_1 - F_2\|_\infty \geq c \end{cases}$$



Step 2: Estimated Distribution Difference from Samples

F_1, F_2 are estimable by empirical distributions \bar{F}_1, \bar{F}_2



$$\bar{F}_1^{[n]}(d) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{I}(X^{(i)} \leq d)$$

$$\text{and } \bar{F}_2^{[m]}(d) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{I}(Y^{(i)} \leq d)$$

$$\left\| \bar{F}_1^{[n]} - \bar{F}_2^{[m]} \right\|_{\infty} \rightarrow \|F_1 - F_2\|_{\infty} \text{ as } n, m \rightarrow \infty$$

Step 3: Bounding Finite-Sample Estimation Error

Let $\delta_{n,m} = \|(\bar{F}_1^{[n]} - F_1) - (\bar{F}_2^{[m]} - F_2)\|_\infty$,
then $\left\| \bar{F}_1^{[n]} - \bar{F}_2^{[m]} \right\|_\infty - \|F_1 - F_2\|_\infty \in [-\delta_{n,m}, \delta_{n,m}]$

Theorem 1: $\delta_{n,m}\sqrt{mn/(m+n)}$ obeys the Kolmogorov-Smirnov distribution **KS**, which is **independent of** the form of F_1, F_2

The estimation error of $\left\| \bar{F}_1^{[n]} - \bar{F}_2^{[m]} \right\|_\infty$ for $\|F_1 - F_2\|_\infty$ is statistically bounded even if we don't know F_1, F_2 !

If $\left\| \bar{F}_1^{[n]} - \bar{F}_2^{[m]} \right\|_\infty = \lambda < c$, then $\|F_1 - F_2\|_\infty < c$ with significance level

$$\alpha_{n,m} = 1 - \mathbf{KS}((\lambda - c)\sqrt{mn/(m+n)})$$

Step 4: Conformance Verification Algorithm

Algorithm to check conformance

$$\|F_1 - F_2\|_\infty < c:$$

Input Desired significance level $\alpha > 0$

Do drawing new samples from F_1, F_2 .

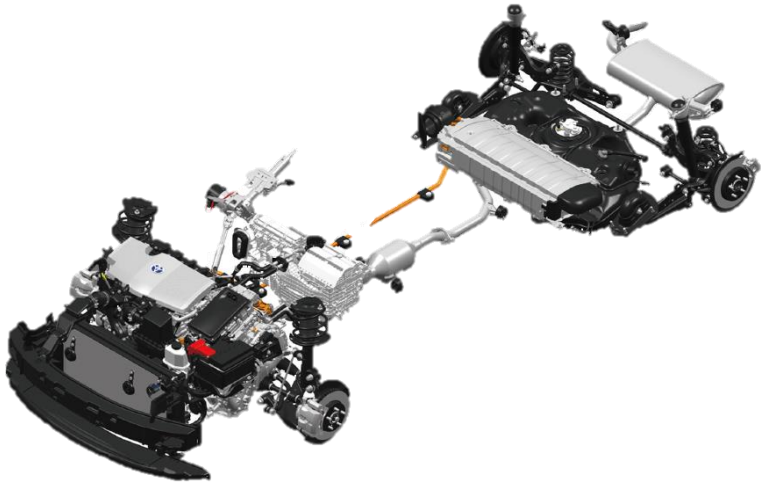
Until $\alpha_{n,m} > \alpha$

Return True If $\left\| \bar{F}_1^{[n]} - \bar{F}_2^{[m]} \right\|_\infty < c$ and

False otherwise.

Theorem 2: Algorithm terminates with probability 1 if $\|F_1 - F_2\|_\infty \neq c$.

Theorem 3: Algorithm's return has significance level α .



Powertrain = Car Engine + Embedded Controller

- \mathcal{M}_d : Detailed PUM with **nonlinear** engine dynamics
- \mathcal{M}_s : Simplified PUM with **polynomial** engine dynamics (by Taylor expansion)

Conformance in Startup Time of Detailed/Simplified models of $\mathcal{M}_d/\mathcal{M}_s$ powertrain system.

$$\forall \tau \geq 0. \left| \Pr_{\sigma_s \sim \mathcal{M}_s} \left(\sigma_s \models \diamond_{[0, \tau]} (e_{A/F} < 0.05) \right) - \Pr_{\sigma_d \sim \mathcal{M}_d} \left(\sigma_d \models \diamond_{[0, \tau]} (e_{A/F} < 0.05) \right) \right| < c$$

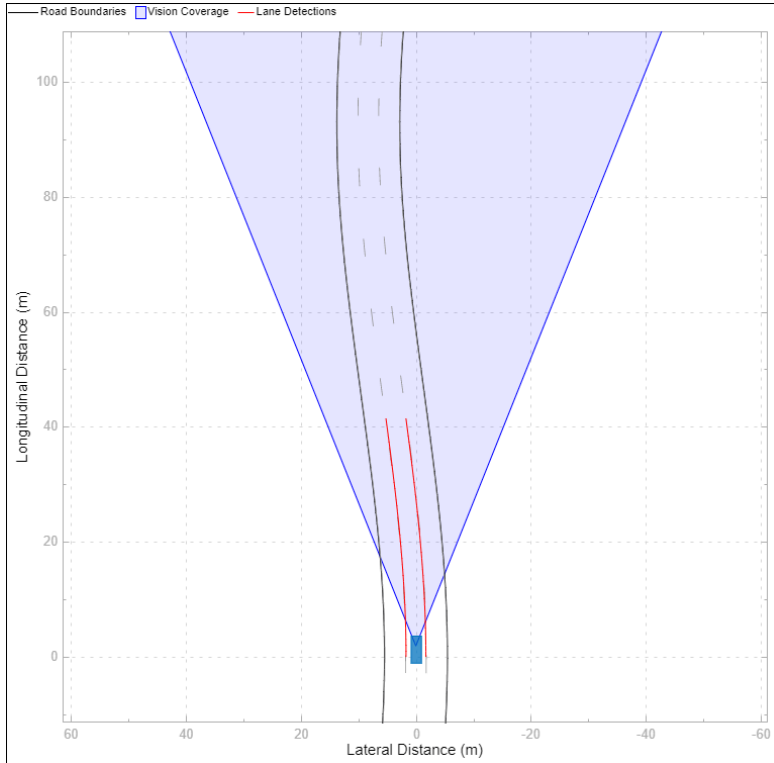
Case Study I: Results

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c	Confidence	Samples	Time (s)	Result
0.40	0.99	3.9e+01	1.8e-02	F
0.40	0.95	1.9e+01	4.4e-03	F
0.25	0.99	2.5e+01	4.6e-03	F
0.25	0.95	1.3e+01	2.2e-03	F
0.10	0.99	1.8e+01	3.6e-03	F
0.10	0.95	9.0e+00	1.6e-03	F
0.05	0.99	1.6e+01	2.8e-03	F
0.05	0.95	8.0e+00	1.3e-03	F

Case Study II: Lane-Keeping Controller



System = Car + Lane-Keeping Controller
(for a detected lane).

- \mathcal{M}_{MPC} : PUM of a car with (tradition) model predictive controller
- \mathcal{M}_{NN} : PUM of a car with neural network controller

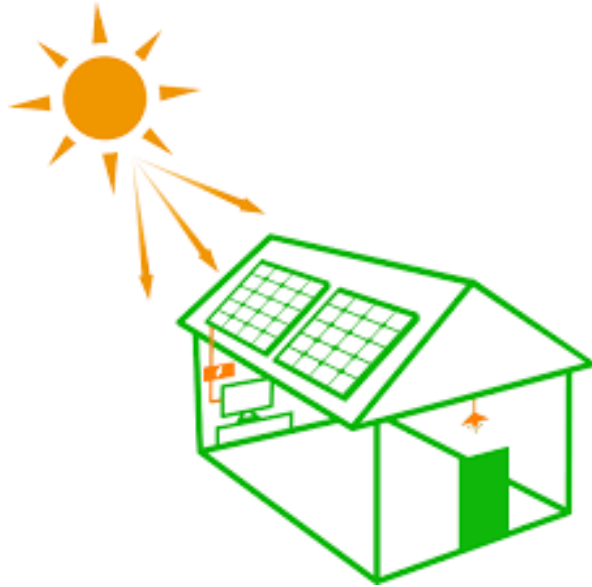
Conformance in Track Error of $\mathcal{M}_{\text{MPC}}/\mathcal{M}_{\text{NN}}$ -based Lane-Keeping Controllers.

$$\forall \tau \geq 0. \left| \Pr_{\sigma_1 \sim \mathcal{M}_{\text{NN}}} (\sigma_1 \models \diamond_{[0,\tau]} (|e_y^{\text{NN}}| < \gamma)) - \Pr_{\sigma_2 \sim \mathcal{M}_{\text{MPC}}} (\sigma_2 \models \diamond_{[0,\tau]} (|e_y^{\text{MPC}}| < \gamma)) \right| < c$$

Conformance in Track Error of MPC/NN-based Lane-Keeping Controllers.

$$\forall \tau \geq 0. \left| \Pr_{\sigma_1 \sim \mathcal{M}_{NN}}(\sigma_1 \models \diamond_{[0,\tau]}(|e_y^{NN}| < \gamma)) - \Pr_{\sigma_2 \sim \mathcal{M}_{MPC}}(\sigma_2 \models \diamond_{[0,\tau]}(|e_y^{MPC}| < \gamma)) \right| < c$$

c	Confidence	Samples	Time (s)	Result
0.40	0.99	1.0e+04	9.6e+00	T
0.40	0.95	3.6e+03	2.0e+00	T
0.25	0.99	9.5e+02	3.2e-01	F
0.25	0.95	2.5e+02	5.9e-02	F
0.10	0.99	2.1e+02	4.2e-02	F
0.10	0.95	1.2e+02	2.2e-02	F
0.05	0.99	1.3e+02	2.5e-02	F
0.05	0.95	7.3e+01	1.4e-02	F



Power System = 100kW Photovoltaic Array + 25kV Power Grid + DC-DC Boost Converter + Voltage Source Converter.

- \mathcal{M}_d : PUM with **detailed** dynamics
- \mathcal{M}_a : PUM with **average** dynamics (by filtering out high-frequency responses)

Conformance in Voltage Deviation of Detailed/Simplified models $\mathcal{M}_d/\mathcal{M}_a$ of Power Converter.

$$\forall \gamma \geq 0. \left| \Pr_{\sigma_d \sim \mathcal{M}_d}(\sigma_d \models \square_{[0.5,2]}(|e_{vdc_d}| < \gamma)) - \Pr_{\sigma_a \sim \mathcal{M}_a}(\sigma_a \models \square_{[0.5,2]}(|e_{vdc_a}| < \gamma)) \right| < c$$

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0.40	0.99	3.9e+01	1.0e-02	F
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0.25	0.99	2.5e+01	5.3e-03	F
0.25	0.95	1.3e+01	3.3e-03	F
0.10	0.99	1.8e+01	3.8e-03	F
0.10	0.95	9.0e+00	1.8e-03	F
0.05	0.99	1.8e+01	3.2e-03	F
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Thank you



Code: <https://gitlab.oit.duke.edu/cpsl/conformance>