Model-based approaches to FDIR

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Model-based design and MBSA

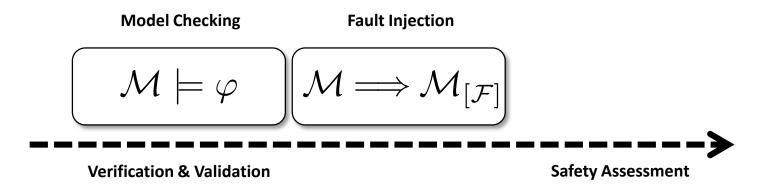
- Model based methods are prominent for development of control systems
 - Models to represent high level views of the system
 - Requirements precisely captured
- Model based methods are increasingly applied for the safety assessment of systems under faulty conditions

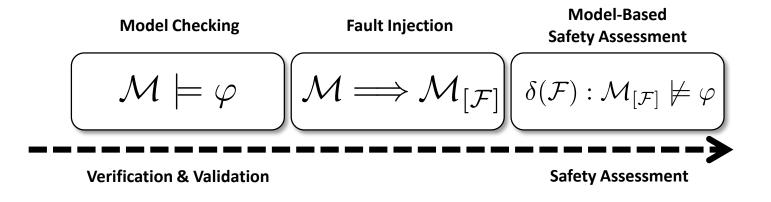
What can MBSA do?

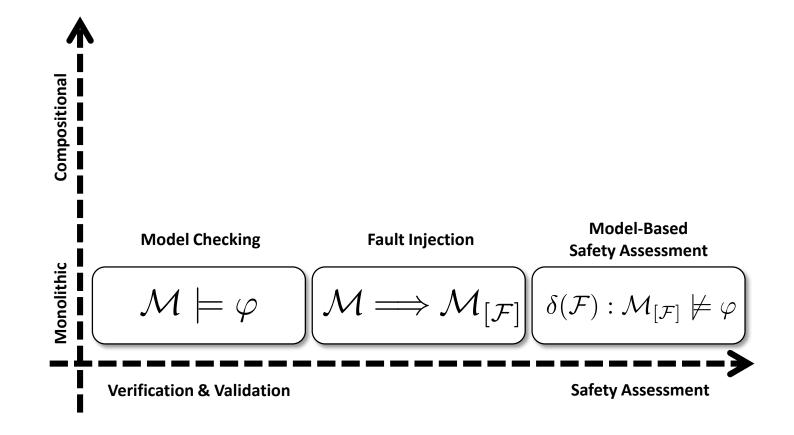
- From nominal models to extended models
 - Fault extension
- Automated generation of
 - Fault trees
 - FMEA tables
 - Reliability measures
- Tools for MBSA
 - FSAP and XSAP (http://xsap.fbk.eu/)
 - COMPASS (see workshop tomorrow)
- The IMBSA'17 conference @ Trento

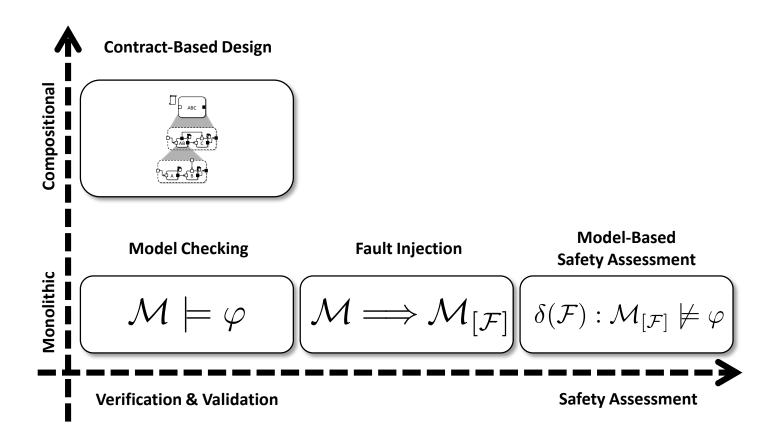
Model Checking

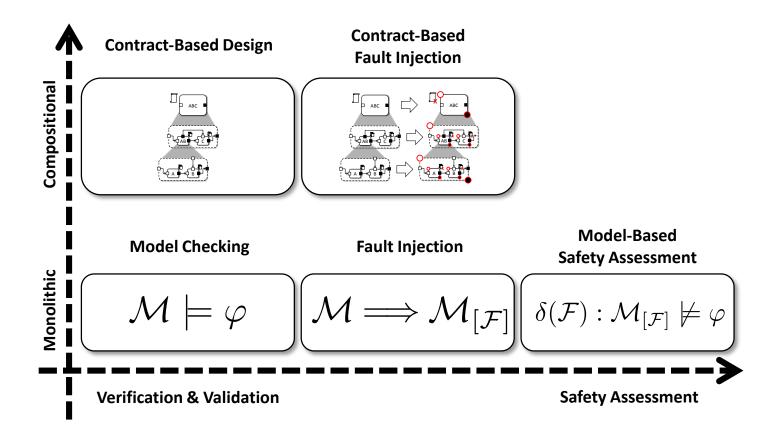


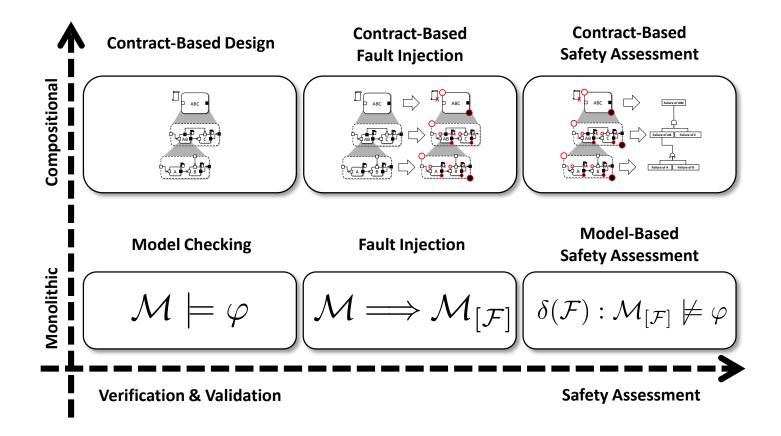












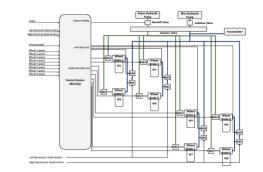
Tool chain

- Infinite-state transition systems
 - The OCRA tool for contract-based design
 - http://ocra.fbk.eu/
 - The nuXmv model checker
 - http://nuxmv.fbk.eu/
 - The **xSAP** platform for safety analysis
 - http://nuxmv.fbk.eu/
- Hybrid systems
 - HyCOMP as a model checker
 - http://hycomp.fbk.eu/

A Wheel Brake System

- Control brake for aircraft wheels
- Redundancy
 - Multiple BCSU
 - Hydraulic plants
- Functions
 - Asymmetrical braking
 - Antiskid
 - Single wheel/coupled
 - depending on control mode



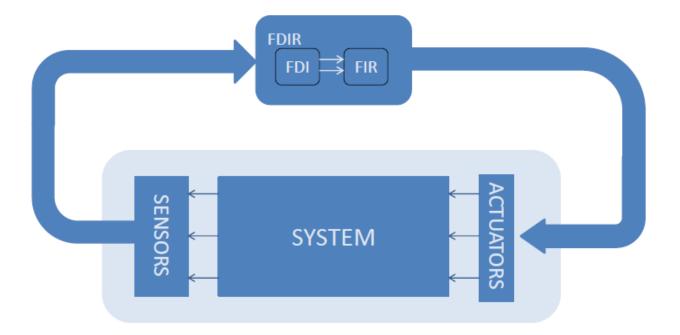


Applications

- Joint project with Boeing on MBSA
 - Formal Design and Safety Analysis of AIR6110 Wheel Brake System [CAV'15]
- Adopted in NASA project on analysis of NextGen
 - Comparing Different Functional Allocations in Automated Air Traffic Control Design [FMCAD'15]
- The COMPASS tool chain
 - AADL modeling language
 - Several projects funded by the European Space Agency
 - Specific design technique for FDIR

From MBSA to model-based FDIR

Fault Detection, Identification and Recovery (FDIR)



FDIR ...

- The development of Fault Detection, Isolation and Recovery is poses additional challenges, due to the partial observability of the system state that must be dealt with at run-time, and can only partly be tackled by sensors.
- Need for
 - Early validation of the FDIR design
 - Simplification of certification process
 - Higher dependability of the system
 - Reduction of costs in terms of design effort, implementation, and possible reuse of FDI components

Focus on FDI

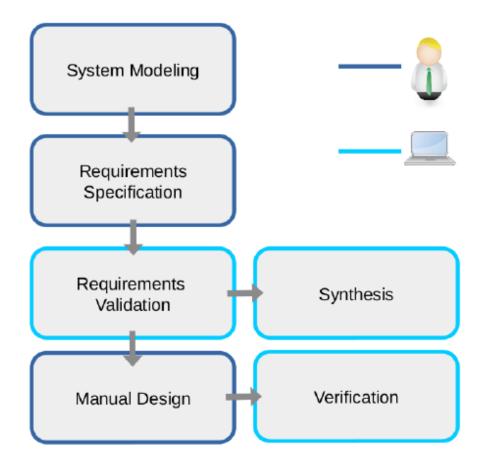


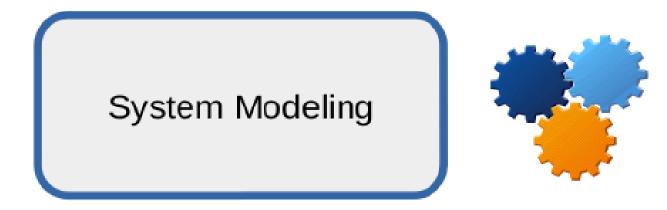
How to design an FDI component?



- Partial observability
- Subtle interaction of faults and nominal events

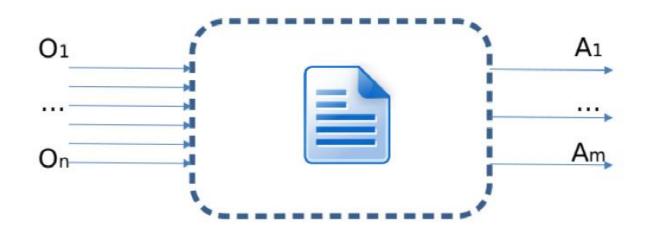
Phases for FDIR design





- How does the system work?
- What are the faults?
- What sensors are available?

How to specify an FDI component?



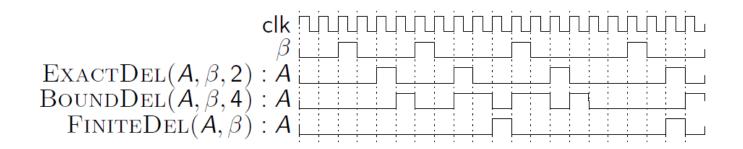


- What alarms should the FDI provide?
- What are acceptable delays?
- When should an alarm be ignored?

Patterns for FDIR specification

Delay between the diagnosis condition β and the alarm A

Whenever the fuel valve gets stuck-closed, the FDI should raise the alarm within 4 time-units (BoundDel)



FDIR requirements validation



By themselves:

- Inconsistencies: they cannot be all satisfied simultaneously
- Over-constraining: A good behavior is not possible
- Under-constraining: A bad behavior is possible

Against the System: e.g., diagnosability

FDI verification



Testing:

- Incomplete analysis
- Requires a detailed implementation

Formal Model + Formal Requirements \Rightarrow Model-Checking

FDI synthesis



Advantages:

- Proof of realizability.
- Quick way to obtain a prototype.

Challenges:

- Computationally hard (sometimes undecidable).
- Hard to understand for humans.

Safety condition defining a (set of) configurations of the system.

- Bad configuration of the system:
 Both engines are off
- Fault has occurred:

The fuel valve is stuck-closed

Conditions on the evolution of the system:

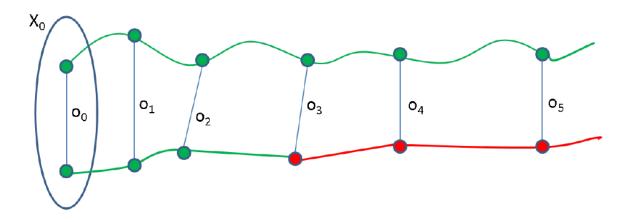
The fuel valve has been stuck-closed for at least 3 time-units and the engines are currently on

Diagnosability: global vs local

Always possible to satisfy an Alarm Condition?

No! Observations might not be sufficient to disambiguate:

Critical Pair



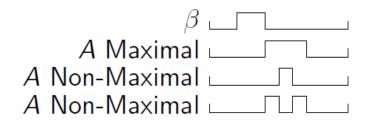
No critical pair = System diagnosable [Sampath]

Too coarse-grained? E.g., 1 critical pair?

 \Rightarrow Trace Diagnosability: Diagnose as much as possible

Maximality

The alarm should go up as soon and for as long as possible BOUNDDEL(A, β, 4)



Maximality removes ambiguity

Sensor synthesis

- Synthesis of observability requirements
 - Have we got enough sensors?
 - Design space exploration
- Find the sets of sensors that guarantee diagnosability
- Reduced to a parameterized model checking problem

Fault Recovery and Recoverability

- Recovery strategy as a mapping between alarms and suitable recovery actions
- Effectiveness of recovery:
 - Is the execution of the recovery strategy sufficient to restore a functionality or achieve a desired effect?
- Recoverability existence of suitable recovery strategy
 - Tackled with planning techniques
 - Needs to take into account adversarial environment

Conclusions and Challenges

- Formal account of FDIR
- Supported by formal tools
- The need for a structured process (see next talk)
- Challenges:
 - FDI-system connection models
 - Synchronous vs asynchronous composition
 - Cycle-based vs event based
 - Centralized vs distributed approach
 - Temporal epistemic logic as back-end
 - Fault-tolerance evaluation of redundancy architectures

Some (mildly) provocative statements

- Need for case studies
 - Fundamental step for FDIR community building
- Modeling language should not be a blocking issue
 - The techniques are largely independent
 - Towards COMPASS-STAR?
- Lack of GUI should not be a blocking issue
 - Textual language + artifacts viewers profitably applied in industrial settings
- Is there a need for a change?
 - "Existing process is good enough"
- "excel is not enough for designing spacecrafts" [BB, 2015, personal communication]