

Reachability Analysis of Neural Network Controlled Systems: A Mixed Monotone Contracting Approach

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Neural Network Controllers

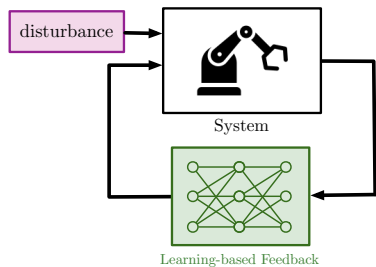
Motivations

- Neural Networks as controllers in safety-critical applications (self driving vehicle and mobile robots)

Goal: ensure and verify *safety* of the closed-loop system

Features of neural network controllers:

- large # of parameters with nonlinearity
- sensitive wrt to input perturbations
- limited closed-loop safety guarantees



Challenges

Sound and computationally efficient methods for safety verification

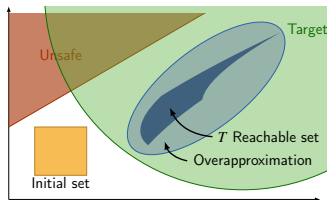
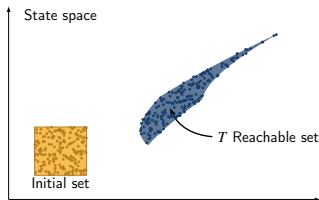
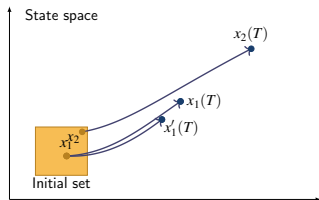
Safety Verification via Reachability Analysis

Problem Statement

System : $\dot{x} = f(x, w)$

State : $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Disturbance : $w \in \mathcal{W} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$



- reachable sets characterize evolution of the system

$$\mathcal{R}^f(t, \mathcal{X}_0) = \{x_w(t) \mid x_w(\cdot) \text{ is a traj of the system for some } w \text{ with } x_0 \in \mathcal{X}_0\}$$

- over-approximation of reachable sets for safety and verification
- reachability of dynamical system is an old problem with several classical approaches

not scalable to large-scale nonlinear systems

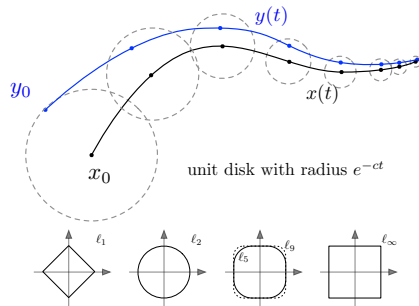
Contraction Theory

A framework for stability analysis

$\dot{x} = f(x, w)$ is contracting wrt $\| \cdot \|$ with rate c if
the dist between every two traj is decreasing/increasing with exp rate c wrt $\| \cdot \|$

Common applications

- convergence to reference trajectories
- efficient equilibrium point computation
- input-output robustness
- entrainment to periodic orbits



In this talk: contraction theory for reachability analysis

Contraction Theory and Matrix Measures

Definition and Characterization

How to characterize contractivity using vector fields?

Matrix measure

Given a matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and a norm $\|\cdot\|$:

$$\mu_{\|\cdot\|}(A) := \lim_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\|I_n + hA\| - 1}{h}$$

Given $\eta \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^n$

$$\mu_{2,\eta}(A) = \frac{1}{2} \lambda_{\max}(\text{diag}(\eta)A + A^T \text{diag}(\eta))$$

$$\mu_{1,\eta}(A) = \max_j (a_{jj} + \sum_{i \neq j} |a_{ij}| \frac{\eta_j}{\eta_i})$$

$$\mu_{\infty,\eta}(A) = \max_i (a_{ii} + \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ij}| \frac{\eta_j}{\eta_i})$$

- directional derivative of matrix norm $\|\cdot\|$ in direction of A at point I_n ,
- **In the literature**: one-sided Lipschitz constant, logarithmic norm

Classical result

$\dot{x} = f(x, w)$ is contracting wrt $\|\cdot\|$ with rate c iff

$$\mu_{\|\cdot\|}\left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, w)\right) \leq c, \quad \text{for all } x, w$$

Contraction-based Reachability Analysis

A global bound

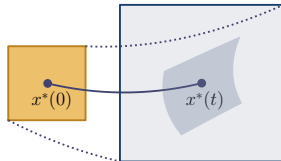
Assume $\mu_{\|\cdot\|} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, w) \right) \leq c$ and $\left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial w}(x, w) \right\| \leq \ell$

Theorem

If $\mathcal{X}_0 = B_{\|\cdot\|}(r_1, x_0^*)$ and $\mathcal{W} = B_{\|\cdot\|}(r_2, w^*)$, then

$$\mathcal{R}^f(t, \mathcal{X}_0) \subseteq B_{\|\cdot\|}(e^{ct}r_1 + \frac{\ell}{c}(e^{ct} - 1)r_2, x^*(t))$$

where $x^*(\cdot)$ is the solution of $\dot{x} = f(x, w^*)$ with $x(0) = x_0^*$.



Proof: let $x(\cdot)$ be a traj of $\dot{x} = f(x, w)$. Using Taylor expansion, for $h \geq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} x(t+h) - x^*(t+h) &= x(t) - x^*(t) + h \overbrace{\left(\int_0^1 D_x f(\tau x + (1-\tau)x^*) d\tau \right)}^{A(x,w)} (x(t) - x^*(t)) \\ &\quad + h \overbrace{\left(\int_0^1 D_w f(x, \tau w + (1-\tau)w^*) d\tau \right)}^{B(x,w)} (w - w^*) + \mathcal{O}(h^2) \end{aligned}$$

Contraction-based Reachability

Proof continued

$$\begin{aligned} D^+ \|x(t) - x^*(t)\| &= \limsup_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\|x(t+h) - x^*(t+h)\| - \|x(t) - x^*(t)\|}{h} \\ &= \limsup_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\|(I_n + hA(x, w))(x(t) - x^*(t)) + hB(x, w)(w - w^*)\| - \|x(t) - x^*(t)\|}{h} \\ &\leq \limsup_{h \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\|(I_n + hA(x, w))(x(t) - x^*(t))\| + h\|B(x, w)\|\|w - w^*\| - \|x(t) - x^*(t)\|}{h} \\ &\leq \mu_{\|\cdot\|}(A(x, w))\|x(t) - x^*(t)\| + \|B(x, w)\|\|w - w^*\| \\ &\leq c\|x(t) - x^*(t)\| + \ell\|w - w^*\| \end{aligned}$$

- generalized version of Grönwall's lemma
- overly conservative since c and ℓ are defined globally

Monotone Dynamical Systems

Definition and Characterization

A dynamical system $\dot{x} = f(x, w)$ is monotone¹ if

$$x_u(0) \preceq_K y_w(0) \quad \text{and} \quad u \preceq_C w \quad \implies \quad x_u(t) \preceq_K y_w(t) \quad \text{for all time}$$

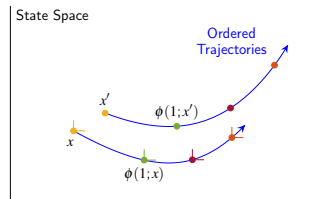
where \preceq_K is the partial order with induced by the cone K .

A **polyhedral cone** has the form

$$K = \underbrace{\{y \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid H_K y \geq \mathbb{0}_p\}}_{\text{halfspace rep}} = \underbrace{\{V_K y \mid y \geq \mathbb{0}_p\}}_{\text{vertex rep}}$$

Monotonicity test

- 1 $H_K \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, w) + \alpha(x, w) I_n \right) V_K \geq \mathbb{0}_p$ for some $\alpha(x, w)$
- 2 $H_C \frac{\partial f}{\partial w}(x, w) V_C \geq \mathbb{0}_q$



¹D. Angeli and E. Sontag, "Monotone control systems", TAC, 2003

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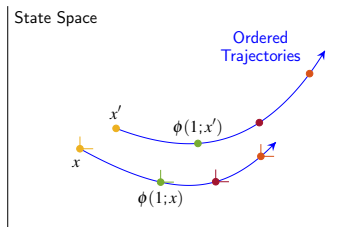
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Monotonicity test (for standard partial order \leq)

- 1 $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, w)$ is Metzler (off-diag ≥ 0)
- 2 $\frac{\partial f}{\partial w}(x, w) \geq \mathbb{0}_m$



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Reachability of Monotone Dynamical Systems

Hyper-rectangular over-approximations

Theorem

For a monotone system with $\mathcal{W} = [\underline{w}, \bar{w}]$

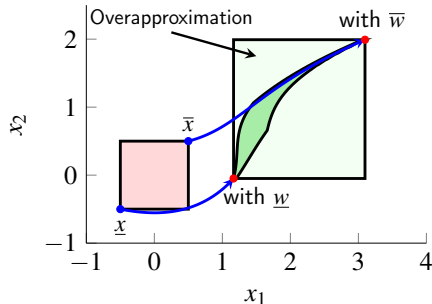
$$\mathcal{R}^f(t, [\underline{x}_0, \bar{x}_0]) \subseteq [x_{\underline{w}}(t), x_{\bar{w}}(t)]$$

where $x_{\underline{w}}(\cdot)$ (resp. $x_{\bar{w}}(\cdot)$) is the trajectory with disturbance $\underline{w}(\cdot)$ (resp. $\bar{w}(\cdot)$) starting at \underline{x}_0 (resp. \bar{x}_0)

Example:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_2^3 - x_1 + w \\ x_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathcal{W} = [2.2, 2.3] \quad \mathcal{X}_0 = \left[\begin{bmatrix} -0.5 \\ -0.5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 \\ 0.5 \end{bmatrix} \right]$$



Tightness of Monotone Bounds

Diagonally weighted ℓ_∞ -norm contraction

Theorem

Let $\mathcal{X} = [\underline{x}_0, \bar{x}_0]$, $\mathcal{W} = [\underline{w}, \bar{w}]$, and $\eta \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^n$. Suppose that the monotone system $\dot{x} = f(x, w)$ is contracting with rate c wrt to $\|\cdot\|_{\infty, \eta}$, then

$$[x_{\underline{w}}(t), x_{\bar{w}}(t)] \subseteq B_{\|\cdot\|_{\infty, \eta}}(e^{ct}r_1 + \frac{\ell(e^{ct}-1)}{c}r_2, x^*(t))$$

where $x^*(\cdot)$ is the solution to $\dot{x} = f(x, w^*)$ with $x^*(0) = x_0^* \in \mathcal{X}_0$ and

$$r_1 = \max\{\|\underline{x} - x_0^*\|_{\infty, \eta}, \|\bar{x} - x_0^*\|_{\infty, \eta}\},$$

$$r_2 = \max\{\|\underline{w} - w^*\|_{\infty, \eta}, \|\bar{w} - w^*\|_{\infty, \eta}\}$$

Proof: both $x_{\underline{w}}(\cdot)$ and $x_{\bar{w}}(\cdot)$ are trajectories of the system

monotone reachability is at least as accurate as contraction reachability wrt diagonally weighted ℓ_∞ -norms

Non-monotone Dynamical Systems

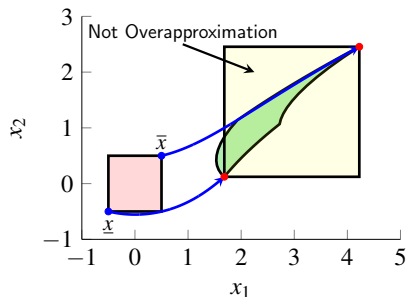
Reachability analysis

- For non-monotone dynamical systems the extreme trajectories do not provide any over-approximation of reachable sets

Example:

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Mixed Monotone Theory

Embedding into a larger system

- **Key idea:** embed the dynamical system on \mathbb{R}^n into a dynamical system on \mathbb{R}^{2n}
- Assume $\mathcal{W} = [\underline{w}, \bar{w}]$ and $\mathcal{X}_0 = [\underline{x}_0, \bar{x}_0]$

Original system

$$\dot{x} = f(x, w)$$

Embedding system

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= \underline{d}(x, \bar{x}, \underline{w}, \bar{w}), \\ \dot{\bar{x}} &= \bar{d}(x, \bar{x}, \underline{w}, \bar{w})\end{aligned}$$

\underline{d}, \bar{d} are **decomposition functions** s.t.

- 1 $f(x, w) = \underline{d}(x, x, w, w)$ for every x, w
- 2 **cooperative:** $(\underline{x}, \underline{w}) \mapsto \underline{d}(\underline{x}, \bar{x}, \underline{w}, \bar{w})$
- 3 **competitive:** $(\bar{x}, \bar{w}) \mapsto \bar{d}(\underline{x}, \bar{x}, \underline{w}, \bar{w})$
- 4 the same properties for \bar{d}

The embedding system is a monotone dynamical system on \mathbb{R}^{2n} with respect to the **southeast** partial order \leq_{SE} :

$$\begin{bmatrix} x \\ \hat{x} \end{bmatrix} \leq_{SE} \begin{bmatrix} y \\ \hat{y} \end{bmatrix} \iff x \leq y \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{y} \leq \hat{x}$$

In terms of cones, \leq_{SE} is induced by the cone $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^n \times -\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^n$.

Mixed Monotone Theory

Versatility and History

- f locally Lipschitz \implies a decomposition function exists
- decomposition functions are not unique (use structure of the system to construct one)

History:

J-L. Gouze and L. P. Hadeler. [Monotone flows and order intervals](#). Nonlinear World, 1994

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Reachability using Embedding Systems

Hyper-rectangular over-approximations

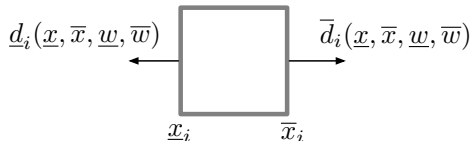
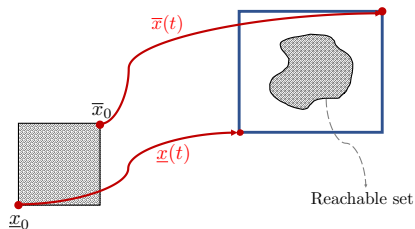
Theorem

Assume $\mathcal{W} = [\underline{w}_0, \bar{w}_0]$ and $\mathcal{X}_0 = [\underline{x}_0, \bar{x}_0]$ and

$$\dot{\underline{x}} = \underline{d}(\underline{x}, \bar{x}, \underline{w}, \bar{w}), \quad \underline{x}(0) = \underline{x}_0$$

$$\dot{\bar{x}} = \bar{d}(\bar{x}, \underline{x}, \bar{w}, \underline{w}), \quad \bar{x}(0) = \bar{x}_0$$

Then $\mathcal{R}^f(t, \mathcal{X}_0) \subseteq [\underline{x}(t), \bar{x}(t)]$



(Scalable) a single trajectory of embedding system provides **lower bound** (\underline{x}) and **upper bound** (\bar{x}) for the trajectories of the original system.

Embedding System for Linear Dynamical System

A structure preserving decomposition

- Metzler/non-Metzler decomposition: $A = [A]^{Mzl} + [A]^{Mzl}$

- Example: $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow [A]^{Mzl} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$[A]^{Mzl} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Linear systems

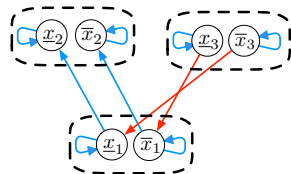
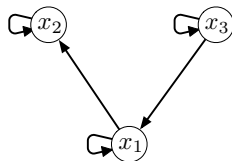
Original system

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bw$$

Embedding system

$$\dot{\underline{x}} = [A]^{Mzl} \underline{x} + [A]^{Mzl} \bar{x} + B^+ \underline{w} + B^- \bar{w}$$

$$\dot{\bar{x}} = [A]^{Mzl} \bar{x} + [A]^{Mzl} \underline{x} + B^+ \bar{w} + B^- \underline{w}$$



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red = cooperative, blue = competitive

Decomposition function

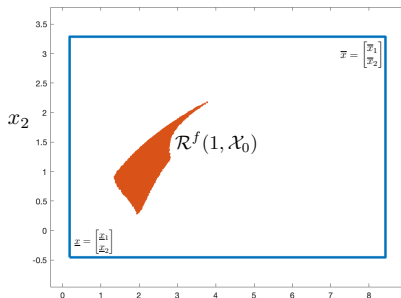
$$\underline{d}(x, \bar{x}, \underline{w}, \bar{w}) = \begin{bmatrix} x_2^3 + \underline{w} \\ x_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -\bar{x}_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{d}(x, \bar{x}, \underline{w}, \bar{w}) = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x}_2^3 + \bar{w} \\ \bar{x}_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -x_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Embedding System:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \underline{x}_1 \\ \underline{x}_2 \\ \bar{x}_1 \\ \bar{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{x}_2^3 - \bar{x}_2 + \underline{w} \\ x_1 \\ \bar{x}_2^3 - \underline{x}_2 + \bar{w} \\ \bar{x}_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} \underline{w} \\ \bar{w} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2.2 \\ 2.3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Decomposition functions

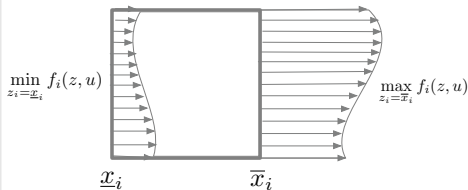
How to decompose a vector field?

Theorem

The best (tightest) decomposition function is given by

$$\underline{d}_i(\underline{x}, \bar{x}, \underline{w}, \bar{w}) = \min_{\substack{z \in [\underline{x}, \bar{x}], z_i = \underline{x}_i \\ u \in [\underline{w}, \bar{w}]}} f_i(z, u),$$

$$\bar{d}_i(\underline{x}, \bar{x}, \underline{w}, \bar{w}) = \max_{\substack{z \in [\underline{x}, \bar{x}], z_i = \bar{x}_i \\ u \in [\underline{w}, \bar{w}]}} f_i(z, u)$$



These optimization problems are, in general, not tractable

1 Compositional approach:

- find the tight decomposition functions for a handful of elementary functions
- write the vector field as composition of some elementary functions

2 Jacobian-based approach:

- Taylor expansion for the vector field
- formulas for linear systems

Tightness of Mixed Monotone Bounds

Diagonally weighted ℓ_∞ -norm contractions

Theorem

Let $\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} \underline{x} \\ \bar{x} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{d}(\underline{x}, \bar{x}, \underline{w}, \bar{w}) \\ \bar{d}(\underline{x}, \bar{x}, \underline{w}, \bar{w}) \end{bmatrix} := e(\underline{x}, \bar{x}, \underline{w}, \bar{w})$ be the embedding function with the tight decomposition functions for $\dot{x} = f(x, w)$. For any $\eta \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^n$

$$\mu_{\infty, \eta} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, w) \right) \leq c \quad \text{for all } x, w$$

if and only if

$$\mu_{\infty, \eta \otimes I_2} \left(\frac{\partial e}{\partial \begin{bmatrix} \underline{x} \\ \bar{x} \end{bmatrix}}(\underline{x}, \bar{x}, \underline{w}, \bar{w}) \right) \leq c, \quad \text{for all } \underline{x}, \bar{x}, \underline{w}, \bar{w}$$

mixed monotone reachability is at least as accurate as contraction reachability wrt diagonally weighted ℓ_∞ -norms

Reachability of Neural Network Loops

A Compositional Approach

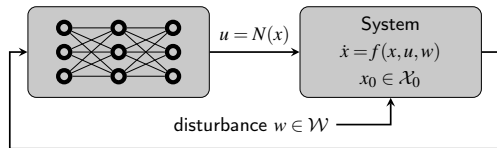
Given the open-loop nonlinear system with a neural network controller

$$\dot{x} = f^o(x, u, w),$$

$$u = N(x),$$

study reachability of the closed-loop system

$$\dot{x} = f^o(x, N(x), w) := f^c(x, w)$$



Challenge: finding a tight closed-loop decomposition function

Compositional Approach:

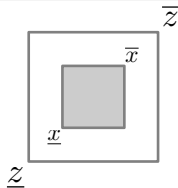
- 1 compute the open-loop decomposition function $\underline{d}^o, \bar{d}^o$ for $\dot{x} = f^o(x, u, w)$
- 2 construct the neural network bounding functions \underline{N} and \bar{N}
 - bounds from NN verification algorithms (CROWN, LipSDP, IBP, etc)
 - construction is expensive but queries is cheap
- 3 combine (1) and (2) to obtain a decomposition function for the closed-loop system

Reachability of Neural Network Loops

Neural Network Bounds

Given a neural network controller $u = N(x)$ and an interval $[\underline{z}, \bar{z}]$,

$$\underline{N}_{[\underline{z}, \bar{z}]}(\underline{x}, \bar{x}) \leq N(x) \leq \bar{N}_{[\underline{z}, \bar{z}]}(\underline{x}, \bar{x}), \quad \text{for all } [\underline{x}, \bar{x}] \subseteq [\underline{z}, \bar{z}]$$



- CROWN² provides affine bounds of the form

$$\underline{A}_{[\underline{z}, \bar{z}]}x + \underline{b}_{[\underline{z}, \bar{z}]} \leq N(x) \leq \bar{A}_{[\underline{z}, \bar{z}]}x + \bar{b}_{[\underline{z}, \bar{z}]}, \quad \text{for all } x \in [\underline{z}, \bar{z}]. \quad (1)$$

Given the CROWN bounds (1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{N}_{[\underline{z}, \bar{z}]}(\underline{x}, \bar{x}) &= \underline{A}_{[\underline{z}, \bar{z}]}^+ \bar{x} + \bar{A}_{[\underline{z}, \bar{z}]}^- \underline{x} + \underline{b}_{[\underline{z}, \bar{z}]}, \\ \bar{N}_{[\underline{z}, \bar{z}]}(\underline{x}, \bar{x}) &= \bar{A}_{[\underline{z}, \bar{z}]}^+ \bar{x} + \underline{A}_{[\underline{z}, \bar{z}]}^- \underline{x} + \bar{b}_{[\underline{z}, \bar{z}]} \end{aligned}$$

²Zhang, Weng, Chen, Hsieh, Daniel, "Efficient neural network robustness certification with general activation functions." NeurIPS, 2018.

Reachability of Neural Network Loops

Closed-loop Decomposition function

Theorem

Given open-loop decomposition functions $\underline{d}^o, \bar{d}^o$ for $\dot{x} = f^o(x, u, w)$ and the neural network bounds $\underline{N}_{[z, \bar{z}], \bar{N}_{[z, \bar{z}]}$ for the neural network controller $u = N(x)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}\underline{d}_i^c(\underline{x}, \bar{x}, \underline{w}, \bar{w}) &= \underline{d}_i^o(\underline{x}, \bar{x}, \underline{\eta}^i, \bar{\eta}^i, \underline{w}, \bar{w}) \\ \bar{d}_i^c(\underline{x}, \bar{x}, \underline{w}, \bar{w}) &= \bar{d}_i^o(\underline{x}, \bar{x}, \underline{\nu}^i, \bar{\nu}^i, \underline{w}, \bar{w})\end{aligned}$$

where

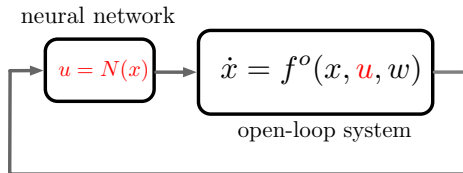
$$\begin{aligned}\underline{\eta}^i &= \underline{N}_{[x, \bar{x}]}(\underline{x}, \bar{x}_{[i:\underline{x}]}) & \bar{\eta}^i &= \bar{N}_{[x, \bar{x}]}(\underline{x}, \bar{x}_{[i:\underline{x}]}) \\ \underline{\nu}^i &= \underline{N}_{[x, \bar{x}]}(\underline{x}_{[i:\bar{x}]}, \bar{x}) & \bar{\nu}^i &= \bar{N}_{[x, \bar{x}]}(\underline{x}_{[i:\bar{x}]}, \bar{x}),\end{aligned}$$

are decomposition functions for the closed-loop system where $v_{[i:w]}$ is the vector v with i th component replaced with i th component of w .

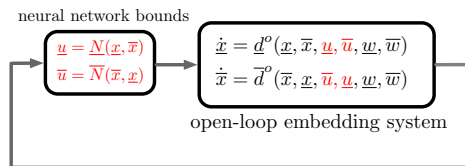
Reachability of Neural Network Loops

A pictorial explanation

Original system:

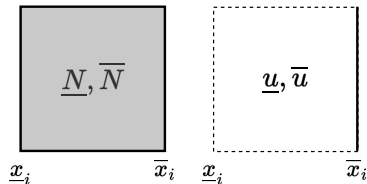


Embedding system:



How does the **interconnection** work?

- NN bounds $\underline{N}_{[x, \bar{x}]}, \bar{N}_{[x, \bar{x}]}$ are constructed on $[x, \bar{x}]$
- NN bounds are evaluated on each edge, i.e., $\underline{u} = \underline{N}_{[x, \bar{x}]}(x, \bar{x}_{[i:x]})$ and $\bar{u} = \bar{N}_{[x, \bar{x}]}(\bar{x}, x_{[i:x]})$



- mixed monotone and contraction-based reachability
- connection between these two reachability approaches
- compositional approach for reachability analysis of NN controlled systems

Example: Bicycle Model

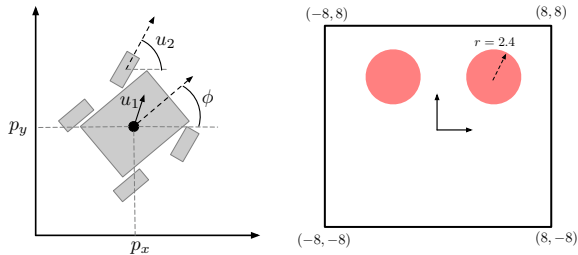
Design of the neural network

Dynamics of bicycle

$$\dot{p}_x = v \cos(\phi + \beta(u_2)) \quad \dot{\phi} = \frac{v}{l_r} \sin(\beta(u_2))$$

$$\dot{p}_y = v \sin(\phi + \beta(u_2)) \quad \dot{v} = u_1$$

$$\beta(u_2) = \arctan\left(\frac{l_r}{l_f + l_r} \tan(u_2)\right)$$



Goal: steer the bicycle to the origin avoiding the obstacles

- **offline controller:** MPC with hard constraint to avoid the obstacles
- run MPC for 65000 randomly chosen initial condition (20 sample per trajectory)
- train a feedforward neural network $4 \mapsto 100 \mapsto 100 \mapsto 2$ with this data

Example: Bicycle Model

Numerical Experiments

- start from $(8, 8)$ toward $(0, 0)$
- $\mathcal{X}_0 = [\underline{x}_0, \bar{x}_0]$ with
$$\underline{x}_0 = \left(7.9 \quad 7.9 \quad -\frac{2\pi}{3} - 0.01 \quad 1.99 \right)^\top$$
$$\bar{x}_0 = \left(8.1 \quad 8.1 \quad -\frac{2\pi}{3} + 0.01 \quad 2.01 \right)^\top$$
- CROWN for verification of neural network
- partition the states to improve accuracy
- mixed monotone approach **certify** that closed-loop system is avoiding the obstacle

