

Minimizing Sequents to Find Modeling Errors in KeYmaera X

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Modeling
mistakes happen!

Don't let them get
the best of you.

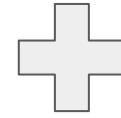
Problem domain



Model of controller and dynamics

The screenshot shows the GCL proof assistant interface with a model named "Lane-triggered Adaptive Cruise Control". The interface is divided into several sections:

- Definitions:** Contains definitions for:
 - Param A: Acceleration of the controlled car
 - Param T: Minimal time between consecutive control cycles
 - Var vL: Position of the lead car
 - Var vC: Position of the controlled car
 - Var aL: Acceleration of the lead car
 - Var aC: Acceleration of the controlled car
 - Var vL_t: Velocity of the lead car
 - Var vC_t: Velocity of the controlled car
 - Var t: Elapsed time since the last controller cycle
- Problem:** Contains initial conditions and constraints for both cars and their controllers.
- Proof:** Contains a proof script with various steps, including:
 - Def A := A & vL >= vC
 - Def vL := vL + aL * T
 - Def vC := vC + aC * T
 - Def aL := -vC * (vL - vC) / (vL * T)
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Proof of safety properties

Proof: ✓ All goals closed

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Motivation

- Problem
 - Difficult for programmers to catch their own errors
 - Over-constrained models often lead to weak models
 - Erroneous models are dangerous and can be expensive to cope with
- Our solution
 - A really good analysis.

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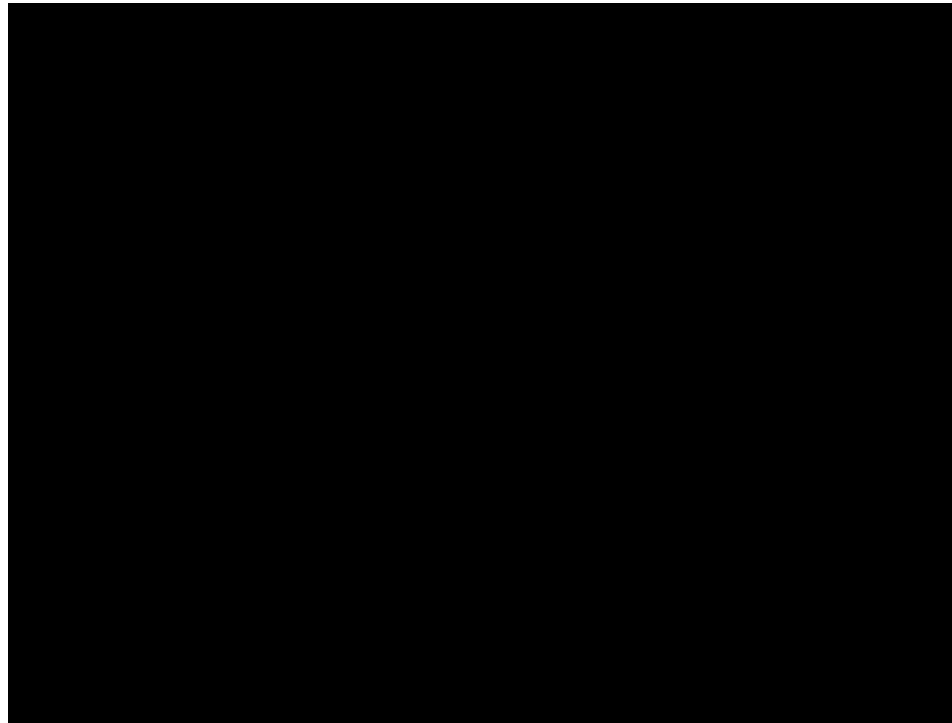
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- $\vdash \textcolor{red}{\cancel{\text{true}}} \rightarrow [?x >= 1 ; ++?x < 1 ; \{ x' = 1 \& y > 0 \}] x > 0$
- $\vdash x > 0 \& \textcolor{red}{\cancel{\text{true}}} \rightarrow [?x >= 1 ; ++?x < 1 ; \{ x' = 1 \& y > 0 \}] x > 0$
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Sequent Proof Example (Simple)

$$\vdash v^2 \leq 10 \wedge b > 0 \rightarrow b > 0 \wedge (\neg(v \geq 0) \vee v^2 \leq 10)$$

Witnessed: $v^2 \leq 10$, $b > 0$, $\neg(v \geq 0)$

Used:

Unused: $v^2 \leq 10$, $b > 0$, $\neg(v \geq 0)$



Sequent Proof Example (Simple)

$$\begin{array}{c} * \\ \text{id} \frac{}{v^2 \leq 10, b > 0 \vdash b > 0} \\ \wedge L \frac{}{v^2 \leq 10 \wedge b > 0 \vdash b > 0} \quad \frac{}{v^2 \leq 10 \wedge b > 0 \vdash \neg(v \geq 0) \vee v^2 \leq 10} \\ \wedge R \frac{}{v^2 \leq 10 \wedge b > 0 \vdash b > 0 \wedge (\neg(v \geq 0) \vee v^2 \leq 10)} \\ \rightarrow R \frac{}{\vdash v^2 \leq 10 \wedge b > 0 \rightarrow b > 0 \wedge (\neg(v \geq 0) \vee v^2 \leq 10)} \end{array}$$

Witnessed: $v^2 \leq 10, b > 0, \neg(v \geq 0)$

Used: $b > 0$

Unused: $v^2 \leq 10, \neg(v \geq 0)$



Sequent Proof Example (Simple)

$$\begin{array}{c} * \\ \text{id} \frac{}{v^2 \leq 10, b > 0 \vdash b > 0} \\ * \\ \text{id} \frac{}{v^2 \leq 10, b > 0 \vdash \neg(v \geq 0), v^2 \leq 10} \\ \wedge L \frac{v^2 \leq 10, b > 0 \vdash b > 0}{v^2 \leq 10 \wedge b > 0 \vdash b > 0} \\ \wedge R \frac{}{v^2 \leq 10 \wedge b > 0 \vdash b > 0} \\ \vee R \frac{\wedge L \frac{v^2 \leq 10 \wedge b > 0 \vdash \neg(v \geq 0), v^2 \leq 10}{v^2 \leq 10 \wedge b > 0 \vdash b > 0 \wedge (\neg(v \geq 0) \vee v^2 \leq 10)}}{\vdash v^2 \leq 10 \wedge b > 0 \rightarrow b > 0 \wedge (\neg(v \geq 0) \vee v^2 \leq 10)} \\ * \end{array}$$

Witnessed: $v^2 \leq 10$, $b > 0$, $\neg(v \geq 0)$

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Sequent Proof Example (Simple)

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Overview of Implementation

Proof tree analysis

Sequent Proof Example (Simple)

$$\begin{array}{c} \vdash v^2 \leq 10, b > 0 \vdash b > 0 \quad \vdash v^2 \leq 10, b > 0 \vdash b > 0 \\ \text{id} \quad \text{id} \\ \vdash v^2 \leq 10 \wedge b > 0 \vdash b > 0 \quad \wedge L \quad \vdash v^2 \leq 10 \wedge b > 0 \vdash b > 0 \quad \wedge L \\ \vdash v^2 \leq 10 \wedge b > 0 \vdash b > 0 \quad \text{VR} \quad \vdash v^2 \leq 10 \wedge b > 0 \vdash b > 0 \quad \text{VR} \\ \rightarrow R \quad \vdash v^2 \leq 10 \wedge b > 0 \vdash b > 0 \wedge (\neg v^2 \leq 10 \vee v^2 \leq 10) \\ \vdash v^2 \leq 10 \wedge b > 0 \rightarrow b > 0 \wedge (\neg v^2 \leq 10 \vee v^2 \leq 10) \end{array}$$

Witnessed: $v^2 \leq 10, b > 0, \neg(v \geq 0)$

Used: $b > 0, v^2 \leq 10$

Unused: $\neg(v \geq 0)$

New tactics

Minimizing sequents: Guess & Check

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- $\vdash x > 0 \& y > 0 \rightarrow [?x >= 1 ; ++?x < 1 ; \{ x' = 1 \& y > 0 \}] x > 0$
- $\vdash x > 0 \& \text{true} \rightarrow [?\text{true} ; ++?x < 1 ; \{ x' = 1 \& \text{true} \}] x > 0$

Rules for Suggested Mutations

Suggested Mutation (m)

SM:ASSUMPTIONR

$$\frac{A \vdash [\alpha]P}{m_1(A) \vdash [\alpha]P} \quad (a \in A)$$

$$m_1(\cdot) = \{\cdot \mapsto \cdot \setminus \{a\}\}$$

How m strengthens the model

- removes an assumption
- m -mutated dL formula is valid

SM:ASSUMPTIONW

$$\frac{A \vdash [\alpha]P}{m_2(A) \vdash [\alpha]P} \quad (p(a_1, a_2) \in A)$$

$$m_2(\cdot) = \{p(a_1, a_2) \mapsto p'(a_1, a_2)\}$$

- weakens an assumption by replacing $a_1 < a_2$ with $a_1 \leq a_2$
- m -mutated dL formula is valid

SM:POSTA

$$\frac{A \vdash [\alpha]P}{A \vdash [\alpha]m_7(P)} \quad (a \notin \text{const}(A), a \in A, a \notin P)$$

$$m_7(\cdot) = \{P \mapsto P \cup \{a\}\}$$

- adds a post-condition
- m -mutated dL formula is valid

Formal Guarantees

- **Termination:**
 - The analysis terminates.
 - Proof sketch: well-ordering argument over the # of proof steps, # of mutable facts, and remaining test time per fact
- **Soundness:**
 - m-mutated models...
 - are valid,
 - prove the same post-conditions with fewer facts, and
 - prove stronger post-conditions with the same facts.
 - Proof sketch: rule induction over suggested mutations

Contributions

- An analysis for diagnosing modeling errors
 - Implementation
 - <https://github.com/gaffordb/KeYmaeraX-release>
 - Examples
 - Candidate and suggested mutations
 - Formal guarantees
 - Soundness
 - Termination