Modeling Physical properties

Model Driven Systems Development

Lecture 12





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Learning Objectives

Modeling physical parameters and constraints

- Include physical properties in a model
- Include rules constraining physical properties
- •Capture properties and constraints using the SysML language

Joint analysis of the system and the environment

- Modeling the controller, the plant, and the environment
- Capture both continuous-time and discrete time properties
- Identify the connection between the system, the plant, and the controller
- Analyze system properties and execute simulations using models
- Learn the basic modeling concepts of the Modelica language





Controller, Plant, and Environment



 Co-designing controller and the plant would be the ideal setting



Controller design

- Controller functional design using blocks

 BDD: defines element hierarchy and containment
 IBD: template for component internal structure
- Challenge: validate the design of the controller
 On-site testing and calibration can be
 - Expensive (time + cost)
 - Dangerous
 - o Instead:
 - create plant model and environment model with physical properties and
 - run simulations

Example railway system controller







A language for modeling and simulating complex physical systems





Overview of Modelica

- Modelica is an object-oriented, equation based language designed to model complex physical systems containing process-oriented subcomponents of different nature
 - Describing both continuous-time and discrete-time behaviour
- The Modelica Standard Library provides more than 1000 ready-to-use components from several domains
 Full high school + 1st year university physics (and much more)
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- Implementations
 - Commercial e.g. by Dymola, Maplesoft, Wolfram MathCore
 - Open-source: JModelica
- Modeling and simulation IDE: OpenModelica



Example: modeling a simple pendulum

Simple pendulum



Behavior of the pendulum as a function of time:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{\theta}(t) \\ \dot{\omega}(t) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \omega(t) \\ -\frac{g}{L}\theta(t) \end{pmatrix}$$





Modelica code for simple pendulum



variables, constants model SimplePendulum parameter Real L=2.0; constant Real g=9.81; Real thetha (each start = 1.0); Real omega; Initial value equation der(thetha) = omega; der (omega) = -(g/L) *thetha; end SimplePendulum;

(Differential) equations

Continuous time



Pendulum simulation results





Modelica Standard Library

- Provides reusable building blocks (called classes) for Modelica models
- Version 3.2.1. has more than 1340 classes and models
- Various domains











Modelica Standard Library





Modelica and Simulation

- Simulating a model means to calculate the values of its variables at certain time instants
- Advantages
 - Observing dangerous/expensive bevaviour at low cost with no risks
 - Resolves scaling issues (size, duration)
- Different algorithms and strategies for simulation
 - The task is to solve Ordinary Differential Equations (ODEs) generated from the model
 - Numerical techniques



Example plant model – train brakes

Physical model for braking system carrying a mass



Graphical notation in OpenModelicaEditor



Example plant model – train brakes

Physical model for braking system carrying a given mass

			mass1
Class			
Path: Modelica.Mechanics.Translational.Components.Brake Comment: Brake based on Coulomb friction			
Parameters			
mue_pos	[0, 0.5]		[v, f] Positive sliding friction characteristic (v>=0)
peak	1		peak*mue_pos[1,2] = Maximum friction force for v==0
cgeo	1		Geometry constant containing friction distribution assumption
fn_max	1	N	Maximum normal force
useSupport	false 🗸		= true, if support flange enabled, otherwise implicitly grounded
useHeatPort	false 🗸		=true, if heatPort is enabled



Example plant model – train brakes





Brake times and distance

Plot values w.r.t. time (displacement)









Summary

- Modeling both discrete-time and continuous-time behaviour of cyber-physical systems
 - Modeling language for this purpose: Modelica
- Connecting models to study joint behavior
 - Simulation of models is especially useful when implementing and testing the system is expensive
 - Provides early validation of critical design decision

