Computing with real numbers: Robustness in computability and complexity over the reals

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Introduction

• Why algebraic characterisations?

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- We already do it for computability classes
- Computation over the reals : Framework of computable analysis

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Recurrent Neural Network

Feed-Forward Neural Network

- Framework of implicit complexity (Cobham, Bellantoni, Cook, Levant, Marion, de Naurois...)
- Time = Length:
 - Continuous ODEs : Bournez, Graça, Pouly (ICALP 2017)
 - Discrete ODEs : Bournez, Durand (MFCS 2019)

A type of ODE for algebraic characterisations: PTIME

$$\frac{\delta f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})}{\delta \mathbf{x}} = f(\mathbf{x} + 1, \mathbf{y}) - f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$$

 \rightarrow It is a derivation with a step of one

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Formal synonym for right-hand side of (1): $\mathbf{f}(x+1,\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{f}(x,\mathbf{y}) + (\ell(x+1) - \ell(x)) \cdot \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{f}(x,\mathbf{y}),\mathbf{h}(x,\mathbf{y}),x,\mathbf{y})$ $\mathbf{f}(x+1,\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{f}(x,\mathbf{y}) + (\ell(x+1) - \ell(x)) \cdot \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{f}(x,\mathbf{y}),\mathbf{h}(x,\mathbf{y}),x,\mathbf{y})$ Derivation with respect to the length = change of variable.

Variation when:

$$\ell(x+1) - \ell(x) \neq 0$$

Inspired by: $\frac{\delta f(x, \mathbf{y})}{\delta x} = \frac{\delta \ell(x)}{\delta x} \cdot \frac{\delta f(x, \mathbf{y})}{\delta \ell(x)}.$

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Re-scaling: $\phi_1(t) = \theta(e^t)$

Now "time-complexity" is measured by the length of the solution curve of the ODE.

Invariance by rescaling

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• Then, F(z+1) = F(z) + (z+1-z)(F(z)F(z) - F(z))

u is essentially linear in *f* iff:

$$u = A(..., \sigma(f))f(x) + B(..., \sigma(f)))$$

with A and B that may depends on a sigmoid over f.

We consider

$$\mathbb{LDL} = [0, 1, \pi_i^k, \ell(x), +, -, \times, cond(x);$$

composition, linear length ODE]

Theorem (Bournez & Durand, '19) $\mathbb{LDL}\cap\mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}=\mathsf{PTIME}\cap\mathbb{N}^{\mathbb{N}}$

Some basic definitions of computable analysis

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• What is a computable function $f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$?

There exists an oracle Turing machine M such that, on a Cauchy sequence ϕ converging to x, M queries the oracle to have m such that $|\phi(m) - x| \leq 2^{-m}$ and computes $d \in \mathbb{D}$ such that $|d - f(x)| \leq 2^{-n}$.

PTIME over the reals with Discrete ODEs

First step: real sequences

Definition $f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ is an effective limit of $\overline{f} : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{R}$ if $|f(x) - \overline{f}(x, 2^n)| \le 2^{-n}$

<u>Key observation</u> : \overline{f} computable in polynomial time $\Rightarrow f$ computable in polynomial time.

We consider:

$$\overline{\mathbb{LDL}^{\bullet}} = [0, 1, \pi_i^k, \ell(x), +, -, \times, \overline{\mathrm{cond}}(x), \frac{x}{2};$$

composition, linear length ODE, effective limit]

Theorem (B., Bournez, MCU22) $FPTIME \cap \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}} = \overline{\mathbb{LDL}^{\bullet}} \cap \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}$


Second step: functions over the reals with discrete ODEs



We consider:

$$\overline{\mathbb{LDL}^{\circ}} = [\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1}, \pi_i^k, \ell(x), +, -, \tanh, \frac{x}{2}, \frac{x}{3};$$

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Theorem (B., Bournez, MFCS23)

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$$\frac{\delta \overline{State}(2^{t+1})}{\delta \ell} = \overline{\textit{Next}}(\overline{State}(2^t))$$

PSPACE with Discrete ODEs

Definition (Robust linear ODE)

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2. the ODE is (polynomially) numerically stable.

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A function $f:\mathbb{R}\to\mathbb{R}$ is robustly ODE definable (from initial condition g, and dynamic u) if

• it corresponds to the solution of the following continuous ODE:

$$\mathbf{f}(0,\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{x})$$
 and $\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}(t,\mathbf{x})}{\partial t} = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{f}(t,\mathbf{x}),t,\mathbf{x}),$ (2)

• And polynomially numerically stable (to be defined : next slides)

 \rightarrow this allows computation by dichotomy.









- Computation at t = x at precision 2^{-n} , with initial condition t = 0
- Computation at t = t₀ + ^x/₂ at precision 2^{-η(n)}, with initial condition t₀ = 0 and t₀ = ^x/₂
- Computation at $t = t_0 + \frac{x}{4}$ at precision $2^{-\gamma(n)}$, with initial condition $t_0 = 0$ and $t_0 = \frac{x}{4}$ and $t_0 = \frac{x}{2}$ and $t_0 = \frac{3x}{4}$

More "formally" :

- $\exists \Delta \in \mathbb{Q}_+^*$, such that the previous ODE is (polynomially spaced) solvable on $[0, \Delta]$.
- For t ≥ Δ, we can compute f(t, x) at 2⁻ⁿ by computing some approximation f(t/2, x) of f(t/2, x) at precision 2^{-η(n)}.

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- Continuous \Rightarrow Discrete settings:

From our definitions of robustness of ODEs

Partial Conclusion

- We have an algebraic characterisations of PTIME and PSPACE over the reals using *discrete* and *continuous ODEs*.
- The last algebra might not be minimal
- Further work :
 - talking about NP (non-determinism)?
 - talking about probabilistic classes
 - talking about distributions

More results on robustness: study of dynamical systems

- Motivated by the field of verification.
- Informal conjecture: undecidability in verification does not happen for robust systems.

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 - "applying" those notions to tillings.

Introduction: robustness in Dynamical Systems



It is not necessarily the same notion of robustness as before
Frame : We want to talk about discrete- and continuous-time dynamical systems. We first use the framework of Turing machines

(seen as a particular dynamical system).

Space-perturbation of a Dynamical System

Let \mathcal{M}_n , the *n*-space-perturbed version of TM \mathcal{M} : the idea is that the *n*-perturbed version of the machine \mathcal{M} is unable to remain correct at a distance more than *n* from the head of the machine.



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 - L_ω(M) = ∩_n L_n(M): this is the set of words accepted by M when subject to arbitrarily "small" perturbations.
 - $L(\mathcal{M}) \subseteq L_{\omega}(\mathcal{M}) \subseteq \cdots \subseteq L_2(\mathcal{M}) \subseteq L_1(\mathcal{M}).$

Theorem (Perturbed reachability is co-c.e., from Asarin-Bouajjani 01)

 $L_{\omega}(\mathcal{M}) \in \Pi_1^0.$

Say *L* is robust if $L = L_{\omega}$:

L robust \Rightarrow *L* decidable.

- Definition of the notion of perturbation of a TM
- Some properties

A Characterisation of PSPACE

Definition For $f : \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{N}$, we write $L_{\{f\}}(\mathcal{M})$ the set of words accepted by \mathcal{M} with a "space-perturbation" f: $L_{\{f\}}(\mathcal{M}) = \{w | w \in L_{f(\ell(w))}(\mathcal{M})\}.$

Theorem (CSL24, B., Bournez)

 $L \in \mathsf{PSPACE}$ iff for some \mathcal{M} and some polynomial p, $L = L(\mathcal{M}) = L_{\{p\}}(\mathcal{M}).$ • Characterisation of PSPACE with space-perturbated TMs

Reachability Relations

To each rational discrete-time dynamical system \mathcal{P} is associated its reachability relation $\mathcal{R}^{\mathcal{P}}(\cdot, \cdot)$ on $\mathbb{Q}^d \times \mathbb{Q}^d$.

 \rightarrow two rational points **x** and **y**, $R^{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ holds iff there exists a trajectory of \mathcal{P} from **x** to **y**.

Reachability Relation With Small Perturbations

- Consider now a discrete-time dynamical system *P* with function **f** Lipschitz on a compact domain:
 For ε > 0 we consider the ε-perturbed system *P*_ε.
- Its trajectories are defined as sequences x_t satisfying
 d(x_{t+1}, f(x_t)) < ε for all t.

• We denote reachability in the system $\mathcal{P}_{\varepsilon}$ by $R_{\varepsilon}^{\mathcal{P}}(\cdot, \cdot)$.

•
$$R^{\mathcal{P}}_{\omega} = \bigcap_{\epsilon} R^{\mathcal{P}}_{\varepsilon}(\cdot, \cdot)$$
 is co-c.e..

• Say $R^{\mathcal{P}}$ is robust when $R^{\mathcal{P}}_{\omega} = R^{\mathcal{P}}$: $R^{\mathcal{P}}$ robust $\Rightarrow R^{\mathcal{P}}$ computable.

Proposition (Robust \Leftrightarrow reachability true or ϵ -far from being true)

We have $R_{\omega}^{\mathcal{P}} = R^{\mathcal{P}}$ iff for all $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{Q}^d$, either $R^{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ is true or $R^{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ is false and there exists $\epsilon > 0$ such that it is ϵ -far from being true.

 \Rightarrow relation with δ -reachability (Gao, Kong, Chen, Clarke '06).

Input:

- A point $\textbf{x} \in \mathbb{Q}$
- A set B
- A dynamic given by the function $f \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}$
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Output: Does the dynamics starting from \mathbf{x} reach B ?

Polynomially robust to precision \Rightarrow PSPACE:

Theorem (CSL24, B., Bournez)

Take a Lipschitz system on a compact, with **f** poly. time computable, whose domain X is a closed rational box, and that for all rational **x**, $R^{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbf{x})$ is closed and $R^{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbf{x}) = R^{\mathcal{P}}_{\{p\}}(\mathbf{x})$ for a polynomial p. Then the ball decision problem is in PSPACE.

Polynomially robust to precision \leftarrow PSPACE-completeness **Theorem (CSL24, B., Bournez)**

Any PSPACE language is reducible to PAM's reachability relation: $R^{\mathcal{P}} = R^{\mathcal{P}}_{\{p\}}, \text{ for some polynomial } p.$

- Perturbated reachability relation for rational dynamical systems
- Characterisation of PSPACE in that framework (with additionnal properties)

Alternative view: Drawability and extension to the reals

But we could also see it as a relation over the reals and use the framework of CA, regarding subsets of $\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d$.

Definition

A closed subset of \mathbb{R}^d is said *c.e. closed* if we can effectively enumerate the rational open balls intersecting it.

From the statements of CA, the following holds:

Theorem

Consider a computable discrete time system \mathcal{P} whose domain is a computable compact. For all \mathbf{x} , $cls(R^{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbf{x})) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$ is a c.e. closed subset.

Theorem (Perturbed reachability is co-c.e.)

Consider a dynamical system, with **f** locally Lipschitz, computable, whose domain is a computable compact, then, for all **x**, $cls(R^{\mathcal{P}}_{\omega}(\mathbf{x})) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$ is a co-c.e. closed subset.

Say $R^{\mathcal{P}}$ is robust when $R^{\mathcal{P}}_{\omega} = R^{\mathcal{P}}$: $R^{\mathcal{P}}$ robust $\Rightarrow R^{\mathcal{P}}$ computable.

From CA, Computable \Leftrightarrow can be plotted.



Theorem

 $R^{\mathcal{P}}$ closed and can be plotted in a name of $\mathbf{f} \Leftrightarrow$ the system is robust, i.e. $R_{\omega}^{\mathcal{P}} = R^{\mathcal{P}}$.

• We have a nice extension to geometric properties : what can be drawn is robust

Time-perturbation

Definition Given $f : \mathbb{N} \to \mathbb{N}$, we write $L^{\{f\}}(\mathcal{M})$ for the set of words accepted by \mathcal{M} with time perturbation f: $L^{\{f\}}(\mathcal{M}) = \{w | w \in L^{f(\ell(w))}(\mathcal{M})\}.$

Theorem (Polynomially robust to time ⇔ PTIME)

- A language L ∈ PTIME iff for some M and some polynomial p, L = L(M) = L^{p}(M).
- Any PTIME language is reducible to PAM's reachability: $R^{\mathcal{P}} = R^{\mathcal{P},(p)}$ for some polynomial p.

Theorem (Polynomially length robust \Rightarrow PTIME)

Assume distance d is time metric and $R^{\mathcal{P}} = R^{\mathcal{P},(p)}$ for some polynomial p. Then $R^{\mathcal{P}} \in \mathsf{PTIME}$.

- Definition of another type of perturbation
- Characterisation of PTIME

Partial Conclusion
- Characterisation of FPSPACE with the suitable notion of perturbation.
- Characterisation ot PTIME with the suitable notion of perturbation.
- Extension to drawability.

Extending robustness: Towards tilings

Still not necessarily the same notion of robustness as before

- Applying our notion of robustness to tilings : what makes the problem of tiling undecidable?
- What can make the problem of *some* tiling decidable?

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Counter-example : Robinson tileset '78



Theorem (Berger '64) Given a set of tiles, the problem of knowing whether it tiles the plan is undecidable.

The formalism of transducers







(Meta-)Transducers



Example





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The notion of robustness

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Definition (Composition pattern)

Consider a finite set S of transducers. Consider the signature made of the symbols of S (with arity 0) and the symbol \circ (of arity 2). A composition pattern F over S is a term over this signature.

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- 2. F provides an invariant:

$$\forall n, \quad F(\mathcal{T}_1, \mathcal{T}_{n-k}, \dots, \mathcal{T}_n) \rtimes \mathcal{T}_{n+1} \tag{3}$$

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- 2. F provides an invariant:

$$\forall n, \quad F(\mathcal{T}_1, \mathcal{T}_{n-k}, \dots, \mathcal{T}_n) \rtimes \mathcal{T}_{n+1}$$
(3)

3. For all n, T_n contains a loop.

Theorem (Aubrun, B., Bournez) Let τ a tileset. τ is provably robust $\Leftrightarrow \tau$ admits a tiling.

 \rightarrow the domino problem for provably robust tileset is computable

Partial Conclusion

- We have a criterion to prove if a tileset can tile a plan.
- We applied it to some well-known tilesets, including Jeandel-Rao 2015 tileset and Robinson 1978 tileset.
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