Robustness Analysis of Safety-Critical Systems

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Boeing 787 Dreamliner

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Observations:

- Extreme reliability
- Model-based Design
- Requirements development
- Distributed manufacturers
- Multi-rate system

Automotive Active Safety

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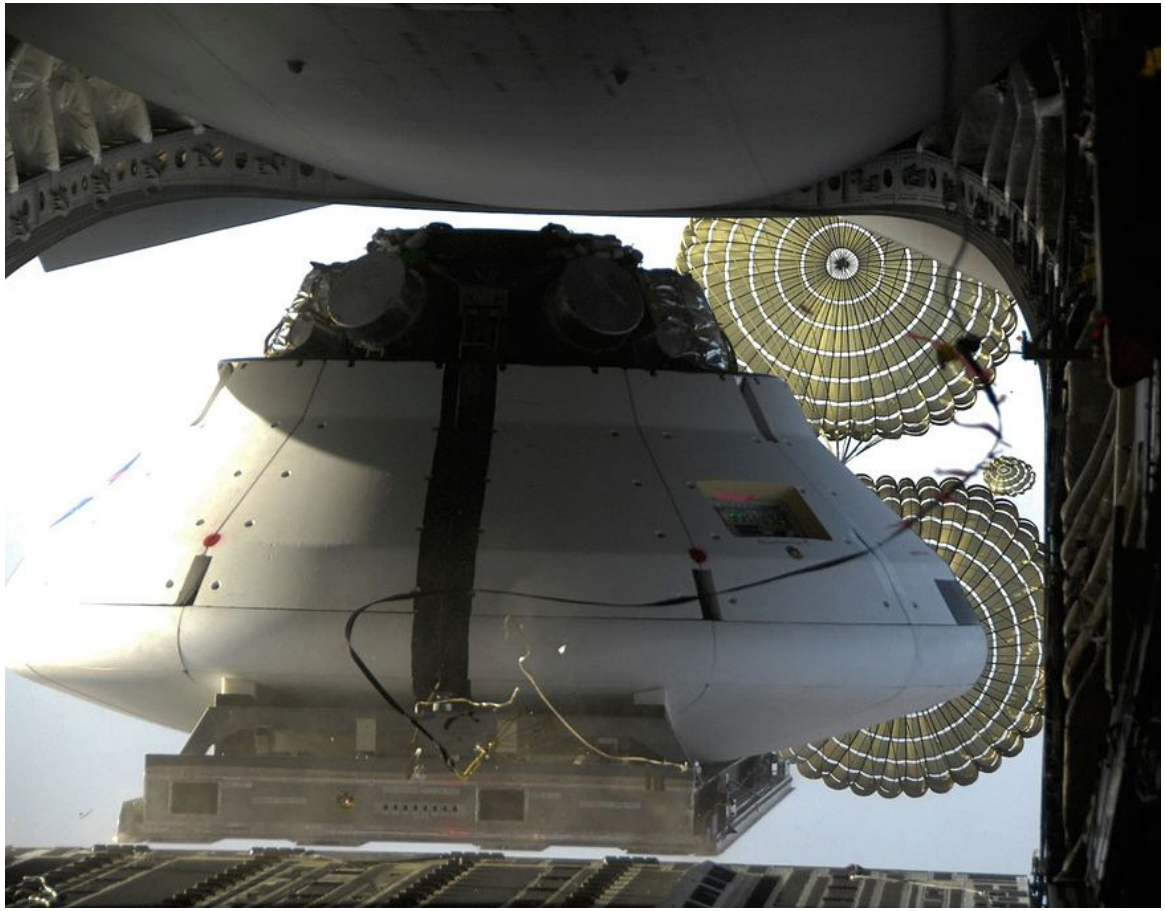
Observations:

- Model-based Design
- Environmental uncertainty
- Human-machine interface
- Probabilistic errors in sensor fusion

NASA Orion Crew Exploration Vehicle



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Observations:

- Nonlinear effects
- Dynamic uncertainty
- Use of describing functions and Monte Carlo Sims

What We Do Well: Linear Analysis

- **Nominal:** Linear systems described by ordinary differential equations (ODEs) or difference eqns (DEs)
  - Metrics: Freq. & time responses, classical stability margins, variance due to stochastic inputs
  - 1000 states, 100's of inputs
- **Uncertainty:** Linear ODEs with rational dependence on parametric and/or dynamic uncertainty
  - "Known" unknowns
  - Metrics: Induced gains, generalized stability margins
  - 100's of states, 10's of inputs, 10's of uncertainties
  - Computational complexity issues
- **High quality software exists for these problems.**

Validation with Linear Analysis

- Ex: Gain-scheduled flight controls
  - Q: How much time delay can be tolerated?
  - A: (answers a different question) Here's a scatter plot of delay margins at 1000 trim conditions throughout envelope

- Why was linear analysis so useful in the past?
  - Domain-specific expertise exists to interpret linear analysis and assess relevance
  - Fast, defensible answers on high-dimensional systems

Proofs of behavior with certificates

Monte Carlo Sims & Linear Analysis

What could we do well?

- Systems that are gain-scheduled (time-varying) and/or depend on a few nonlinear elements (e.g. saturation)
  - Systems with and without uncertainty
  - Metrics: Induced gains, generalized stability margins
  - 10's of states, 10's of inputs, 2-3 uncertainties, 2-3 parameters
- Well-developed theory and "beta" code for both classes

- Questions:
  - Are numerical methods valued?
  - What is the path to commercialization path from theory to SW useful for the practicing engineer?

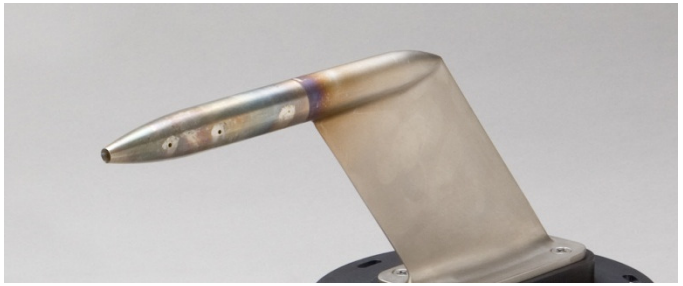
Some issues for current/future CPS

- Strongly nonlinear dynamics
- Hybrid systems
- Large-scale systems (Except linear systems)
- Uncertainty: Unknown unknowns
- Need for tools that cut-across domains (SW/HW)
- Specific time domain performance criteria

These issues limit our ability to certify the performance of novel algorithms for CPS

Example: Shift to Analytical Redundancy

Freeman, Seiler, Balas, “Air data system fault modeling and detection”, 2013



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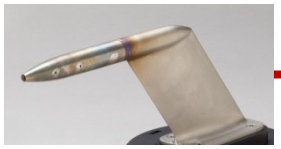
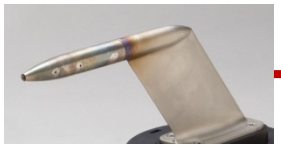


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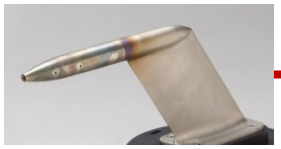
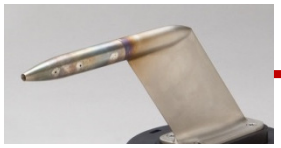


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Analytical Method 1

Analytical Method 2

Sensor Selection And Fault Detection

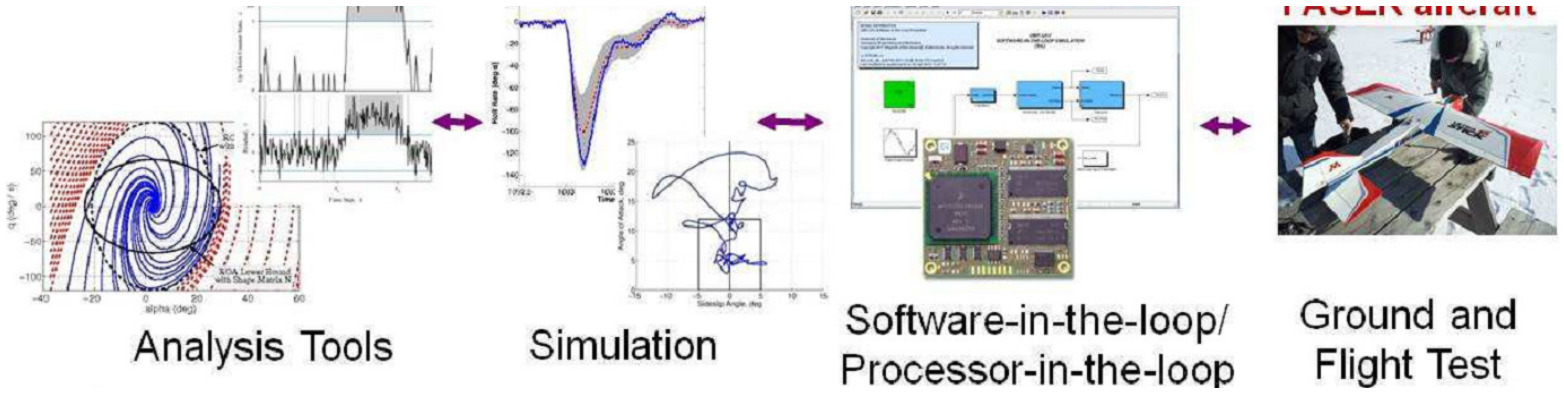
Comments:
1. Analytical methods introduce new failure modes
2. Is there a benefit for algorithmic dissimilarity?

Certification of Novel Algorithms

- How do we certify algorithms that are nonlinear, stochastic, etc?
  - Probabilistic algorithm errors
    - [*Koopman,Wagner*], [*Heimdahl,Rayadurgam,Seiler,Balas*]
  - New performance metrics are likely required
    - [*Belcastro*]
  - Can we gain "trust" in the algorithm by fielding it with limited authority?
    - [*Seiler,Gebre-Egziabher,Rife,Guyer*]
    - Comment Yesterday: We don't V&V Pilots. We trust them based on training/experience.

Compositional Analysis

- Passivity/Lyapunov specifications on components
  - [*Antsaklis, Gupta, Wang*], [*Balas, Seiler, Packard*]
- Integration of simulations and more rigorous methods
  - [*Jin, Deshmukh, Kapinski, Ueda, Butts*]
- Correctness by design
  - *[Bhatt, Madl, Oglesby, Owre, Shankar, Tiwari], [Heimdahl, Rayadurgam, Seiler, Balas], [Kulkarni]*



Education in Model-Based Design

- Challenge: How do we train engineers in model-based design, validation and verification?
  - Are there specific education issues for transportation CPS?

- Key Issues: [Taken from *Pattipati, Pattipati, Ghimire*]
  - How to teach top-down thinking needed for a successful system design engineer using case/project-based learning?
  - Multi-domain Modeling
  - Formal Methods for Requirements, Verification & Validation
  - MBD-based Design Flows for Coordinated, Standardized and Measurable Design Process