



# Tactical contract composition for hybrid system component verification

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## Abstract

We present an approach for hybrid systems that combines the advantages of component-based modeling (e.g., reduced model complexity) with the advantages of formal verification (e.g., guaranteed contract compliance). Component-based modeling can be used to split large models into multiple component models with local responsibilities to reduce modeling complexity. Yet, this only helps the analysis if verification proceeds one component at a time. In order to benefit from the decomposition of a system into components for both modeling and verification purposes, we prove that the safety of compatible components implies safety of the composed system. We implement our composition theorem as a tactic in the KeYmaera X theorem prover, allowing automatic generation of a KeYmaera X proof for the composite system from proofs for the components without soundness-critical changes to KeYmaera X. Our approach supports component contracts (i.e., input assumptions and output guarantees for each component) that characterize the magnitude and rate of change of values exchanged between components. These contracts can take into account what has changed between two components in a given amount of time since the last exchange of information.

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## 1 Introduction

Cyber-physical systems (CPS) feature discrete dynamics (e.g., autopilots in airplanes, controllers in self-driving cars) as well as continuous dynamics (e.g., motion of airplanes or

cars) and are increasingly used in safety-critical areas. Models of such CPS (i.e., hybrid system models, e.g., hybrid automata [13], hybrid processes [6], hybrid programs [31]) are used to capture properties of these CPS as a basis to analyze their behavior and ensure safe operation with formal verification methods.

However, as the complexity of these systems increases, monolithic models and analysis techniques become unnecessarily challenging. As already established for discrete software, decomposition into subsystems with contracts is essential in taming the complexity of larger systems. We, thus, explore compositional modeling and verification techniques for hybrid systems that conclude safety of the entire system from separate isolated safety arguments about its subsystems and their interaction with the environment.

As a basis for our approach, we use differential dynamic logic dL [28,32,35], which is a hybrid systems specification and verification logic that is already compositional for each of its operators. Reasoning in dL splits models along the dL operators into smaller pieces. In this article, we add a notion of components with interfaces and explain how to *make hybrid system theorem proving modular on a component level*. This achieves another layer of compositionality of larger granular-

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ity. We exploit the special structure of components and their contracts to compose *verified components* and their *safety proofs* to a verified CPS. Under certain precisely formalized compatibility conditions on how components are connected, we ensure that their compositions directly inherit safety from the safety of the components.

Component-based hybrid systems verification is challenging because both local component behavior (e. g., decisions and motion of a robot) and inherently global phenomena (e. g., time) co-occur, as components can interact virtually (e. g., robots communicate) and physically (e. g., a robot manipulates an object), and because their interaction is subject to communication delays, measurement uncertainty, and actuation disturbance.

The key step is to represent the abstract behavior of a component in its interfaces phrased as contracts on the input assumptions and output guarantees. In addition to the precise contracts describing computations of discrete programs, continuous time and continuous dynamics in hybrid systems call for techniques to faithfully characterize the discrete-time observations that other components make about continuous phenomena. Our contracts, therefore, emphasize the externally observable nature of component behavior: they specify the *magnitude of change* between two observations (e. g., current speed is at most twice the previously observed speed) and also capture the *rate of change* (e. g., current speed is at most previous speed increased by accelerating for some time). Such contracts abstract the hybrid (continuous-time) behavior of one component to discrete-time observations available to other components. The isolated hybrid behavior of a component in question is, thus, analyzed with respect to a hybrid model in the own component but simpler discrete-time abstractions for all other components in the system. This reduction is important to ensure that not all details of all behaviors of all components need to be understood at the same time.

This article extends our previous work [24,26] with improved techniques for system composition: we exploit information encapsulation [27] to define parallel composition in an *associative* manner, introduce proof tactics to *automatically check assumptions and generate safety proofs* from component proofs, and *reflect practical considerations of composition* properly in proof obligations (e. g., observation with sensors, and glue code to bridge slight discrepancies between component interfaces).

## 2 Preliminaries: differential dynamic logic

**Syntax.** For specifying and verifying correctness statements about hybrid systems, we use *differential dynamic logic* (dL) [28,32,35], which supports *hybrid programs* as a pro-

**Table 1** Hybrid Programs (HPs)

Statement	Meaning
$\alpha; \beta$	Sequentially composes $\beta$ after $\alpha$
$\alpha \cup \beta$	Executes either $\alpha$ or $\beta$ , nondeterministically
$\alpha^*$	Repeats $\alpha$ zero or more times
$x := \theta$	Assigns value of term $\theta$ to $x$
$x := *$	Assigns an arbitrary real value to $x$
$x' = \theta \ \& \ Q$	Continuous evolution <sup>1</sup>
$?Q$	Aborts run if formula $Q$ is not true

<sup>1</sup> A continuous evolution along the differential equation system  $x' = \theta$  for an arbitrary real duration within the region described by formula  $Q$

gram notation for hybrid systems. The syntax and informal semantics of hybrid programs is summarized in Table 1. The sequential composition  $\alpha; \beta$  expresses that  $\beta$  starts after  $\alpha$  finishes. The nondeterministic choice  $\alpha \cup \beta$  follows either  $\alpha$  or  $\beta$ . The nondeterministic repetition operator  $\alpha^*$  repeats  $\alpha$  zero or more times. Discrete assignment  $x := \theta$  instantaneously assigns the value of the term  $\theta$  to the variable  $x$ , while  $x := *$  assigns an arbitrary value to  $x$ . The ODE  $\{x' = \theta \ \& \ Q\}$  describes a continuous evolution of  $x$ , where  $x'$  denotes derivation with respect to time within the evolution domain  $Q$ . The test  $?Q$  checks that a condition expressed by property  $Q$  holds, and aborts if it does not. A typical pattern  $x := *; ?a \leq x \leq b$ , which involves assignment and tests, is to limit the assignment of arbitrary values to known bounds. Other control flow statements can be expressed with these primitives (e. g., if  $(Q) \ \alpha$  else  $\beta$  can be expressed as  $?Q; \alpha \cup ?\neg Q; \beta$ ) [29]. A no-operation statement `skip` is the test  $?true$  that always holds.

For example, a time-triggered program

$$(y := *; ?y \leq z; t := 0; \{x' = y, t' = 1 \ \& \ t \leq 10\})^* \quad (1)$$

picks any real value for  $y$  that does not exceed  $z$ , resets time  $t$  to zero, and then in the ODE continuously evolves the value of  $x$  according to the fixed slope  $y$  while simultaneously increasing the value of  $t$  with constant slope 1. The ODE stops nondeterministically at any time, but at the latest before  $t \leq 10$  becomes false; then the program repeats by the  $*$  operator.

**Semantics.** The semantics of dL [28,32,35] is a Kripke semantics in which the states of the Kripke model are the states of the hybrid system. Let  $\mathbb{R}$  denote the set of real numbers and  $\mathcal{V}$  denote the set of variables. A state is a map  $\nu : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  assigning a real value  $\nu(x)$  to each variable  $x \in \mathcal{V}$ . We write  $\nu \models \phi$  if formula  $\phi$  is true at state  $\nu$ . The real value of term  $\theta$  at state  $\nu$  is denoted  $\nu[\![\theta]\!]$ . The semantics of a hybrid program  $\alpha$  is a relation  $\llbracket \alpha \rrbracket$  between initial and final states. For example  $\nu \models [\alpha]\phi$  iff  $\omega \models \phi$  for all

$(v, \omega) \in \llbracket \alpha \rrbracket$ . We write  $\alpha \equiv \beta$  to mean  $\llbracket \alpha \rrbracket = \llbracket \beta \rrbracket$ . For details on the semantics of hybrid programs see [28,32,35] and Appendix A.

**Safety properties.** To specify safety properties about hybrid programs, dL provides modal operator  $[\alpha]$ . When  $\phi$  is a dL formula describing a state and  $\alpha$  is a hybrid program, then the dL formula  $[\alpha]\phi$  expresses that all states reachable by  $\alpha$  satisfy  $\phi$ . The set of dL formulas relevant in this article is generated by the following EBNF grammar ( $\theta_1, \theta_2$  are arithmetic expressions in  $+, -, \cdot, /$  over the reals and where  $\sim \in \{<, \leq, =, \geq, >\}$ ):

$$\phi ::= \theta_1 \sim \theta_2 \mid \neg\phi \mid \phi \wedge \psi \mid \phi \vee \psi \mid \phi \rightarrow \psi \mid \phi \leftrightarrow \psi \mid \forall x \phi \mid \exists x \phi \mid [\alpha]\phi$$

For example,  $\phi \rightarrow [\alpha]\psi$  says that formula  $\psi$  holds in all states reachable by program  $\alpha$  from starting states that satisfy formula  $\phi$ . Proofs for properties of nondeterministic repetitions often use *invariants*, representing properties that hold before and after each repetition. Even though there is no unified approach for invariant generation, if a safety property including a nondeterministic repetition is valid, an invariant exists [31].

In component compatibility, it will be important to keep track of which component reads or changes which variables.  $FV(\cdot)$  is used as an operator on terms, formulas and hybrid programs returning the free variables, i.e., the ones that are read, whereas  $BV(\cdot)$  is an operator returning the bound variables, i.e., those written in assignments or ODEs [35]. For example, the free variables in program (1) are  $\{t, x, y, z\}$ , whereas the bound variables are  $\{t, x, y\}$  since  $z$  is not written. Similarly,  $V(\cdot) = FV(\cdot) \cup BV(\cdot)$  returns all variables occurring in terms, formulas and hybrid programs, whether read or written. In definitions and formulas, we use dL to denote the set of all dL formulas, and  $HP$  to denote the set of all hybrid programs. We use “ $\mapsto$ ” to define functions.  $f = (a \mapsto b)$  means that the (partial) function  $f$  maps argument  $a$  to result  $b$  and is solely defined for  $a$ .

**Program independence.** The order of independent programs without information flow between them is irrelevant, see Lemma 1. This insight will become important when establishing commutativity and associativity of our component composition operators, and in KeYmaera X in general when using lemmas to close proof obligations whose shape slightly differs syntactically from the lemma conclusion.

**Lemma 1** (Program independence) *Let  $\psi$  be a dL formula and  $\alpha, \beta$  be independent hybrid programs without information flow between them, i.e.,  $BV(\alpha) \cap V(\beta) = \emptyset$  and*

*$BV(\beta) \cap V(\alpha) = \emptyset$ . Then, this dL formula is valid:*

$$[\alpha; \beta]\psi \leftrightarrow [\beta; \alpha]\psi$$

**Proof** Follows directly from the semantics of dL, see Appendix C.  $\square$

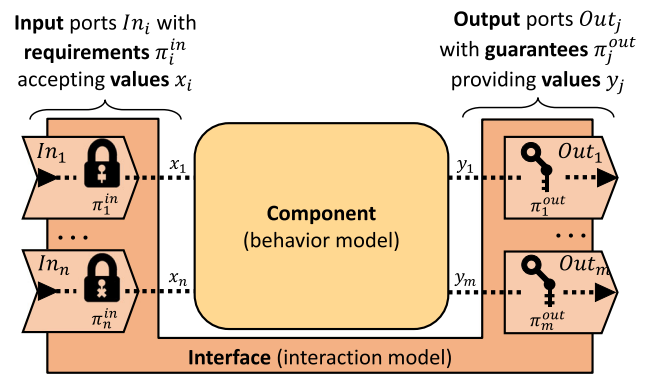
### 3 Component-based modeling

In this section, we describe the fundamentals and steps of component-based modeling for component-based verification of CPS.

#### 3.1 Components and interfaces

We adopt common component notions (e.g., [12,43]) that consider a component as a superposition of a *behavior model* and an *interaction model* as illustrated schematically in Fig. 1: the behavior model describes the dynamic behavior of the component, while the interaction model defines the component ports and their properties that determine how one component interacts with others.

In the context of CPS, *components* consist of their discrete computations controlling continuous physical dynamics, which together represent the component’s *internal behavior*. *Interfaces* describe a component’s *externally observable behavior* and interaction capabilities. Interaction between components occurs through their interfaces: input ports receive external input from other components, output ports pass on component output to other components. Discrete-time information sharing through ports requires that the involved components agree on the values allowed for transfer.



**Fig. 1** Structure of a component and its interface: The internal behavior of a *component* is encapsulated by the *interface*, which specifies interaction with the component through (arbitrarily many) input ports  $In_i$  and output ports  $Out_j$ . The ports transfer external values  $x_i$  to the encapsulated component and emit values  $y_j$  from it. If two ports should be connected, the key (i.e., output guarantee  $\pi_j^{out}$ ) must fit into the respective lock (i.e., input assumption  $\pi_i^{in}$ )

Interface *contracts* specify input requirements and provide output guarantees with logical formulas characterizing the properties of values accepted on input ports and provided through output ports.

Ports can be vector-valued, i. e., transfer values of multiple variables at once, which are characterized through a common input requirement or output guarantee that allows relating their values (e. g.,  $a + b \leq 1$ ).

### 3.2 Composition and compatibility

Components do not share variables. Each component has a set of local variables, which is exclusively accessed in this component's internal behavior and through ports. They may, however, share global unmodifiable constants, for example system parameters such as a legal maximum speed.<sup>1</sup>

To build hybrid system models from components, a *composition operation* connects *compatible* components through their ports. A composition operation can be formalized as an binary operation, taking two components with their interfaces and additional information about their interactions, and returning a composed component and interface [12]. In order to provably derive system properties from component guarantees, we need a formal model of components, composition, and their meaning, which we obtain from the semantics of dL by specifying a *syntactic composition operation* on a syntactic component notion in hybrid programs. To define a composition operation for components on the level of operations, we use the operators of hybrid programs: hybrid programs can be composed sequentially by using the sequential composition operator “;”. Parallel composition is supported for differential equations in hybrid programs, but gives rise to issues of interleaving and synchronization [5] in the discrete fragment. Since components do not share variables and interaction between components occurs after controller execution through ports as synchronization points, controllers are independent by Lemma 1 and, therefore, can be arranged in any sequential order. Thus, we need no interleaving of the internal discrete computations, but it suffices to choose a single sequential composition of controllers. Only the externally observable continuous physical dynamics of multiple components evolves in parallel. As a result, parallel component composition (see Definition 6 later) arranges controllers sequentially in arbitrary order, followed by parallel composition of continuous dynamics in differential equations, followed by communication programs transferring values between connected ports (i. e., communication takes place at a discrete point in time).

<sup>1</sup> A set of globally shared constants is useful as a modeling construct. For implementation, global constants can be realized, e. g., through shared memory or simply as local constants with uniform values across components.

Ports are connected by composing components, which requires that their contracts are *compatible* since safety can only follow compositionally if all components are connected in ways that do not violate their assumptions about one another. An input port and an output port are compatible, if the output port's guarantees imply the input port's assumptions and the dimensions of vector-valued ports match. Figure 2 shows compatible and non-compatible ports when composing two components through their interfaces. If the output guarantees  $\pi^{out}$  are at least as strong as the input assumptions  $\pi^{in}$ , i. e., the implication  $\pi^{out} \rightarrow \pi^{in}$  is valid, then a value emitted from the output port will always fulfill the input assumption of the input port and can thus be received on the input port. For example, an output port that guarantees  $\pi^{out} \equiv x \leq 5$  can be connected to an input port requiring  $\pi^{in} \equiv x \leq 10$ , but not to an input port requiring  $x \leq 2$  because that requirement is not guaranteed to be met when  $x \leq 5$ .

Not all ports of a component need to be connected to the ports of a single other component. Ports may remain unconnected after composition and might be connected to other components later on.

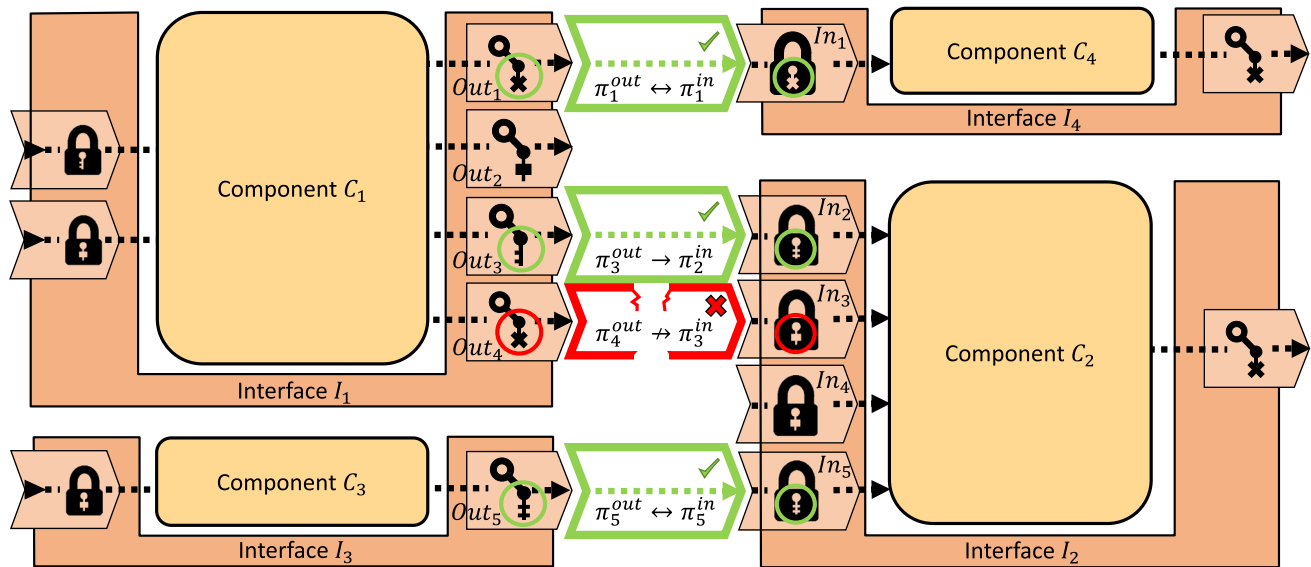
**Formalizing contracts.** A contract is a formally verified agreement about the behavior of a component, including its input and output behavior as described by its interface. It specifies the assumptions under which a component may be used, as well as the guarantees it warrants under such correct use [3,41]. We formalize contracts in dL with safety properties of the form

$$\phi \rightarrow [\alpha]\psi$$

where  $\phi$  is an initial state description,  $\alpha$  is a hybrid program of either a single component or a system that is already composed of other components, and  $\psi$  is a postcondition that must hold after all runs of the hybrid program  $\alpha$ .

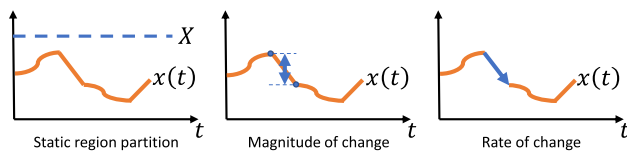
In a monolithic system, interactions between subsystems are baked into the model itself. When building systems from components, however, the isolated components and their contracts abstract from interaction. Thus, the local component contracts must include interaction properties that capture assumptions and guarantees about the communication and interaction with other components. For example, a contract might restrict a vehicle's movement to prevent it from moving too fast, or specify the acceptable degree of input sensor uncertainty. The following contract restricts the distance between position  $x$  of a vehicle moving with maximum speed  $S$  for a duration of  $t$  and its previous position  $x^-$ :

$$S \geq 0 \wedge x = x^- \wedge t = 0 \rightarrow [x^- := x; \{x' = S, t' = 1\}] |x - x^-| \leq t \cdot S$$



**Fig. 2** Composition: The output port  $Out_3$  in the interface  $I_1$  of component  $C_1$  is compatible with the input port  $In_2$  in the interface  $I_2$  of component  $C_2$ , since  $\pi_3^{out} \rightarrow \pi_2^{in}$ , even though it is not a perfect match. Ports  $Out_4$  and  $In_3$  are not compatible and thus, a connection is not allowed between these ports. Output port  $Out_2$  and input port  $In_4$

are not connected yet and remain open. Input port  $In_5$  of  $I_2$  can be connected to a different component's interface  $I_3$ , as long as the respective ports  $In_5$  and  $Out_5$  are compatible. Similarly, output port  $Out_1$  of  $I_1$  can be connected to a different component's interface  $I_4$ , as long as the respective ports  $Out_1$  and  $In_1$  are compatible



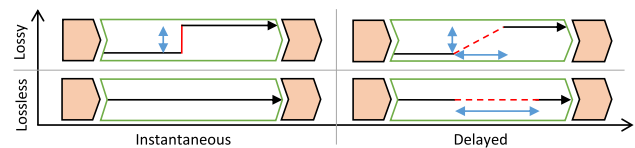
**Fig. 3** Abstractions from continuous dynamics with contracts [25]

In hybrid system verification, whose complexity heavily depends on the dimension of the analyzed system and the fidelity of differential equation models, it is beneficial to reduce complexity by abstracting from the internal behavior of components [25], see Fig. 3.

Global contracts restrict values to *globally known (symbolic) regions*. For instance, a robot might be confined in a known, fixed area, e.g., the robot's position  $x$  must always be in a fixed range  $R$  describing a room (e.g.,  $-R \leq x \leq R$ , where  $R \in \mathbb{R}$  is a fixed global design constant).

Change contracts restrict the *magnitude of change* regardless of how much time passed between measurements (e.g., relate a previously communicated value with the current value). For instance, a robot might guarantee to stay close to its previous position  $x^-$  (e.g.,  $-R \leq x - x^- \leq R$ ).

Rate contracts restrict the *rate of change* by keeping track of time. For instance, a robot may guarantee to change its position according to its speed  $s$ , so the current position



**Fig. 4** Dimensions of Communication: Communication can be subject to information loss and delay [25]

$x$  and the previous position  $x^-$  are related by duration  $t$  (e.g.,  $-s \cdot t \leq x - x^- \leq s \cdot t$ ).

Communication and interaction between components can be subject to information loss and delay [25], see Fig. 4.

Lossy communication is used when real-world environments ports are subject to information loss or sensor uncertainty and thus, provide slightly off approximations of the actual values. Even though the actual error might be unknown, maximum error bounds might be available (e.g., according to a sensor specification). Lossy communication, for instance modeled as  $\lambda := *; ?|\lambda| \leq \Delta; \hat{x} := x + \lambda$ , uses a nondeterministically chosen error value  $\lambda$  ( $\lambda := *$  nondeterministically assigns any real value to  $\lambda$ ), bounded by the maximum error  $\Delta$  (the test  $?|\lambda| \leq \Delta$  ensures that the value of  $\lambda$  is between  $-\Delta$  and  $\Delta$ ), which distorts the communicated value  $\hat{x}$ .

Delayed communication results in an accumulated error, e.g., when a distance sensor in a car reports slightly out-



dated distances the error to the true distance grows with speed and measurement delay.

Instantaneous, lossless communication is often used as a first approximation of sensing and communication and can be modeled by a direct assignment of variables  $\hat{x} := x$ , i.e., the true position  $x$  is passed on to the measured position  $\hat{x}$ . If the system is not safe under perfect knowledge it is never safe.

In this article, we define change and rate contracts supporting generic (e.g., lossless and lossy) communication according to these categories.

### 3.3 Compose verified components to verified systems

We adapt the steps of our prior decomposition-focused approach for component-based verification with global contracts [24] to system composition from verified components, see Fig. 5. After the appropriate components and interfaces are identified (1), system initial conditions and safety property can be derived from the respective initial conditions and guarantees of the components (2). Identification of suitable components, interfaces and local safety properties is a crucial design task; automation support for it is not our focus here. Each interface comes with a contract and a contract compliance proof (3) witnessing that the component alone complies with its interface contract. Finally, the system safety proof is constructed from the individual contract compliance proofs; it also discharges the compatibility proof obligations generated upon composition (4). In Sect. 5, we present a tactic to construct such a proof automatically.

The main result of this process is that the component proofs—performed for compatible components in isolation—transfer to safety of an arbitrarily large system built by instantiating and composing these components. This

enables the safe composition of safe components, where compatible proofs will be constructed (by a tactic) as evidence for the composition meeting the required compatibility conditions.

## 4 Hybrid components with change and rate contracts

In this section, we formalize the notion of *components* as hybrid programs and define their *interfaces* as dL formulas, which identify assumptions about component inputs and guarantees about component outputs phrased in terms of magnitude and rate of change. We define what it means for a component to *comply with its contract* by a dL formula expressing local safety responsibilities and compliance with its interface. We also define the *compatibility of component connections* rigorously as dL formulas. These notions make it possible to give meaning to and prove rigorously what safety responsibility and compatibility of a component really means and rigorously prove safety of the composition.

The main result of this section is a proof showing that contract compliance of components and connection compatibility ensure system safety: Users only provide a *specification* of components, interfaces, and how the components are connected, and verify *proof obligations* about individual component contract compliance and compatibility; safety of the whole system follows automatically from these component verification results.

### 4.1 Running example: tele-operated robot with collision avoidance

To illustrate the concepts, we use a running example of a tele-operated robot with collision avoidance inspired by [20], see Fig. 6. The overall system objective is to keep the robot from actively colliding with an obstacle. The system consists of three components:

1. The *remote control* (RC) component occasionally issues a new speed advisory  $d$  on its output port.
2. The *obstacle* component moves with arbitrary speed  $s_o$  limited to at most  $S$  and sends its current position  $p_o$  on its single output port. Obstacles include both stationary elements (e.g., a wall with  $S = 0$ ) or moving entities (e.g., a person).
3. The *robot* component reads speed advice from the remote control component on input port  $\hat{d}$  and follows that speed advice if the obstacle position measured on input port  $\hat{p}_o$  is at a safe distance.

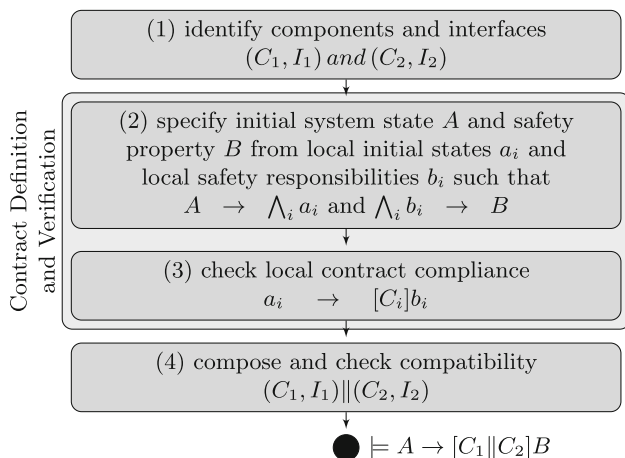


Fig. 5 Verified system composition from verified components

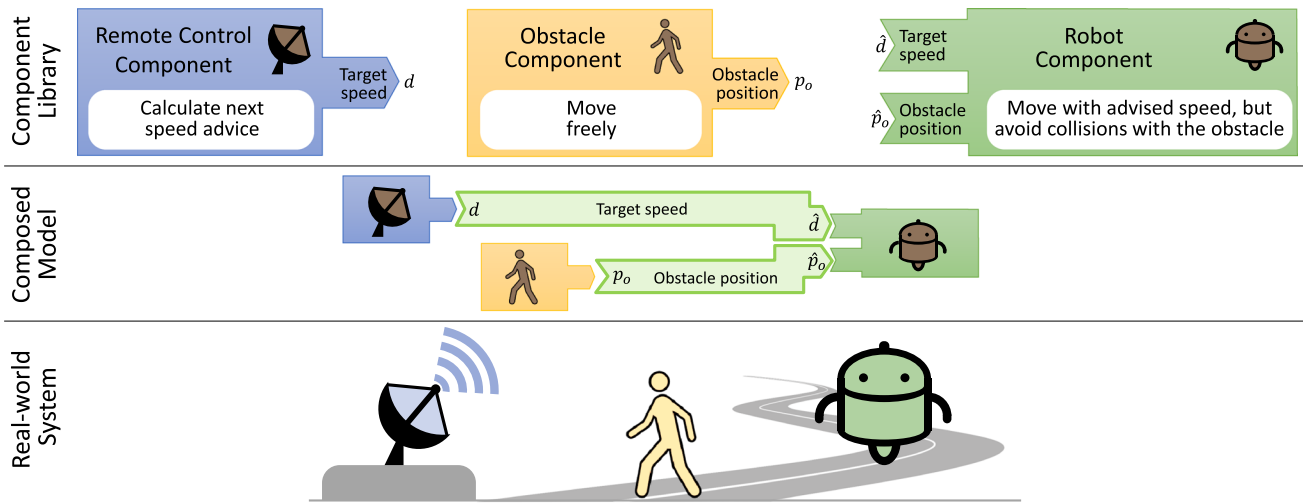


Fig. 6 Running Example: Robot receives speed advice and obstacle position, and has to avoid crashes

The system safety property (no collision while driving) can be expressed as  $\psi_{sys}^{safe} \equiv s_r > 0 \rightarrow p_o \neq p_r$ .

Two consecutive speed advisories from the RC should require a speed change of at most  $D$  (i.e.,  $|d - d^-| \leq D$ ). The RC issues speed advice to the robot, but has no physical dynamics. The obstacle chooses a new non-negative speed but at most  $S$  and moves according to its plant. The robot measures the obstacle's position. If the distance is safe, the robot chooses the speed suggested by the RC; otherwise, the robot stops.

Formal definitions of these three components, their interfaces, and their contracts, will be introduced step-by-step as a running example along the definitions in subsequent sections.

## 4.2 Specification: components and interfaces

*Components and interfaces* specify what a component assumes about the magnitude and rate of change at each of its inputs, and what it guarantees about the magnitude and rate of change of its outputs. To make such conditions expressible, every component will use additional port memory variables to store both the current and the previous value communicated along a port. These variables can be used to model jumps in discrete control, and for discrete-time measurements of continuous physical behavior.

**Formalizing conventions.** We use variable names  $x$  to refer to the internal state and output port of a component (if it has  $x$  as output),  $x^-$  or explicitly  $\text{old}(x)$  to refer to the previous value received last before the current value  $x$ . We use  $\hat{x}$  to denote an input port that reads  $x$  from another component.

### 4.2.1 Components

Components consist of discrete control computations and a continuous plant, as will be defined in Definition 1. The control computations and plant are composed with inputs and outputs to a hybrid program describing the entire component behavior later in Definition 5. To build systems with arbitrarily many components by nested binary composition, we compose components hierarchically from sub-components, so components include glue code for the internally connected ports of sub-components.

**Definition 1 (Component)** A component

$$C = (ctrl, plant, cp)$$

consists of the following:

- $ctrl$  are the discrete computations of the component without differential equations,
- $plant$  is a differential equation with an evolution domain constraint  $Q$ :

$$(x'_1 = \theta_1, \dots, x'_n = \theta_n \ \& \ Q) \text{ for } n \in \mathbb{N},$$

- $cp$  is the internal glue code connecting ports of nested sub-components,
- $V(C) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} V(ctrl) \cup V(plant) \cup V(cp)$ ,
- $BV(C) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} BV(ctrl) \cup BV(plant) \cup BV(cp)$ , and
- $FV(C) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} FV(ctrl) \cup FV(plant) \cup FV(cp)$ .

The content of  $cp$  depends on the type of composition used for the sub-components (e.g., lossless composition, lossy composition) and will be detailed in Sect. 4.4.2. For example, base components have  $cp \equiv \text{skip}$  (statement of no effect),

whereas components with lossless instantaneous composition have a list of assignments  $\hat{x} := x$  from output port  $x$  to the input port  $\hat{x}$  that it is connected to (e. g.,  $\hat{d} := d$ ;  $\hat{p}_o := p_o$  for Fig. 6). The variables of a component are the variables of its controller, plant, and all its sub-components. In order to get components that can be analyzed in isolation and arranged in arbitrary sequential order by Lemma 1, *components cannot share variables and must communicate solely through ports*. Otherwise, they break component abstraction. To make up for this restriction, global shared constants (read-only and thus not used for communication purposes) are included for convenience to share common knowledge about system parameters among all components in a single place.

**Definition 2 (Global constants)** Global constants  $V^{global}$  shared among components  $C_i$  are read-only, i. e.,  $V^{global} \cap BV(C_i) = \emptyset$ . No other variables are shared, i. e.,  $V(C_i) \cap V(C_j) \subseteq V^{global}$  for components  $C_i \neq C_j$ .

Assumptions about system parameters are available to any component and invariant throughout the system execution, since they mention only global constants.

#### 4.2.2 Example: components

Consider the robot collision avoidance system. Its global variables  $V^{global} = \{S, D\}$  are the maximum obstacle speed  $S$  and the maximum difference  $D$  between two speed advisories, since they are not changed by any component. Both are non-negative ( $S \geq 0 \wedge D \geq 0$ ).

##### Example 1 RC Component

$$C_{rc} = (\underbrace{d := *; ?|d - d^-| \leq D}_{ctrl_{rc}}, \underbrace{skip}_{plant_{rc}}, \underbrace{skip}_{cp_{rc}})$$

Example 1 describes the RC component. Its controller  $ctrl_{rc}$  picks a new speed advice and ensures that it is not too far from the previous speed advice to avoid sudden spikes in speed. Since the RC is an atomic component without physical dynamics,  $plant_{rc}$  and  $cp_{rc}$  are empty.

The obstacle component  $C_o$  in Example 2 moves with arbitrary but limited speed (systems with infinite speed obstacles are inherently unsafe), so the obstacle controller  $ctrl_o$  chooses any new non-negative speed  $s_o$  limited by the maximum speed  $S$ . The obstacle plant adapts the obstacle position according to the chosen speed (i. e., the obstacle moves along ODE  $p'_o = s_o$ ). The internally connected ports  $cp_o$  are empty, since the obstacle is an atomic component.

The robot component  $C_r$  in Example 3 should follow speed advice from the RC and measures the position of the obstacle to avoid collisions.

##### Example 2 Obstacle Component

$$C_o = (\underbrace{s_o := *; ?(0 \leq s_o \leq S)}_{ctrl_o}, \underbrace{p'_o = s_o}_{plant_o}, \underbrace{skip}_{cp_o})$$

##### Example 3 Robot Component

$$C_r = (ctrl_r, plant_r, cp_r)$$

$$ctrl_r \equiv \text{if (far) } s_r := \hat{d} \text{ else } s_r := 0 \quad (2)$$

$$plant_r \equiv p'_r = s_r \ \& \ t - t^- \leq \varepsilon \quad (3)$$

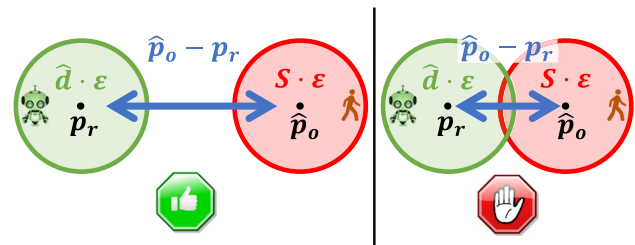
$$cp_r \equiv \text{skip} \quad (4)$$

$$\text{far} \equiv \hat{p}_o - p_r > (\hat{d} + S) \cdot \varepsilon \quad (5)$$

It has a control cycle time of  $\varepsilon$ , which restricts how long the robot can drive without receiving control input. This ensures that the robot's controller runs regularly. The robot controller first chooses a new speed. If the obstacle is far enough away, i. e., the distance  $(\hat{p}_o - p_r)$  between obstacle and robot is greater than the maximum distance  $(S \cdot \varepsilon)$  that the obstacle can move, plus the maximum distance  $(\hat{d} \cdot \varepsilon)$  the robot itself can move with the new desired speed, the robot follows the speed advice of the RC, see (2), (5) and Fig. 7. Otherwise, the robot stops to avoid imminent collision, as indicated by overlapping areas of motion in Fig. 7. The robot's plant (3) adapts the robot's position according to the chosen speed (i. e., the robot moves). The robot does not have internal connections, so  $cp_r \equiv \text{skip}$  (4).

#### 4.2.3 Time and rate of change

In a combined ODE  $p'_r = s_r$ ,  $p'_o = s_o$  both objects move for the same duration. But the point of components is to decompose for the sake of reducing complexity, at which point the now separate ODEs  $p'_r = s_r$  and  $p'_o = s_o$  in the respective components loose synchronization in time.



**Fig. 7** The robot only accepts speed advice if it is safe: The left green circle represents the area that the robot might reach until the next controller run (i. e., within  $\varepsilon$  time units) with the received speed advice  $\hat{d}$ . The right red circle represents the area that the obstacle might reach during the same interval  $\varepsilon$  with maximum speed  $S$



From the viewpoint of a single component, all other plants reduce to discrete abstractions through input assumptions on ports, which is an important step to reduce verification complexity. These input assumptions are phrased in terms of worst-case behavior (e. g., from the viewpoint of the robot, the obstacle may “jump” at most distance  $S \cdot \varepsilon$  between measurements because it lost a precise model of obstacle motion). If the robot’s ODE (nondeterministically) runs for a shorter amount of time, the measurements and the continuous behavior of the robot drift as robot and obstacle think they move for different durations. To prevent this, we introduce *rate contracts* as a way of ensuring that changes are consistent with the actual time that passes in a component.

To unify the timing for all components of a system, we introduce a globally synchronized time  $t$  to measure the duration  $t - t^-$  of plant executions. Both  $t$  and  $t^-$  are special global variables, which cannot be changed by the user, see Definition 3, but only change at designated locations in the composition infrastructure as we will see later.

**Definition 3 (System time)** System time  $t$  changes with constant rate  $t' = 1$  from plant start time  $t^-$  to measure plant duration  $t - t^-$  and can be read but not written by components  $C_i$ , i. e.,  $\{t, t^-\} \cap BV(C_i) = \emptyset$ .

System time enables interfaces to specify the assumed rate of change on input ports and guaranteed rate of change on output ports.

#### 4.2.4 Interfaces

An interface defines how a component may interact with other components through its ports, what assumptions the component makes about its inputs, and what guarantees it provides for its outputs, see Definition 4. It defines what other components can rely on when using its outputs but also lists requirements on inputs. Similar to combining controllers in arbitrary sequential order, we want to read from input ports in any arbitrary order. Hence, input assumptions are local to their port, i. e., no input formula can mention input variables of other ports. To support change and rate contracts, we introduce a port memory to recall previous port values in input assumptions and output guarantees. We want to guarantee safety for recursive components in a uniform way with safety for systems composed from multiple components, and, therefore, prevent leaking information outside their official interfaces by requiring that input formulas do not mention output variables.

**Definition 4 (Interface)** An *interface*  $I$  for a component  $C$  is a tuple

$$I = (V^{in}, \pi^{in}, V^{out}, \pi^{out}, V^-)$$

with

- read-only input port variables  $V^{in} \subseteq V(C)$  with  $V^{in} \cap BV(C) = \emptyset$  and disjoint writable output port variables  $V^{out} \subseteq V(C)$ , i. e.,  $V^{in} \cap V^{out} = \emptyset$ ,
- satisfiable input assumptions  $\pi^{in} : V^{in} \rightarrow \mathbf{dL}$  disjoint across ports:  $V(\pi^{in}(v)) \subseteq (V(C) \setminus (V^{in} \cup V^{out})) \cup \{v\}$  for all  $v \in V^{in}$ ,
- output guarantees  $\pi^{out} : V^{out} \rightarrow \mathbf{dL}$ ,
- $V^- \subseteq V(C)$  with  $V^- \cap BV(C) = \emptyset$  are read-only port memory variables storing the previous values of some ports, disjoint from other interface variables  $V^- \cap (V^{in} \cup V^{out}) = \emptyset$ ; we use the notational convention  $x^-$  to refer to the port memory of variable  $x$  or explicitly  $\text{old}(x)$ .

The definition is accordingly for vector-valued ports that share multiple variables along a single port, provided that each variable is part of at most one vectorial port for proper data abstraction.

#### 4.2.5 Example: interfaces

We continue the remote-controlled robot example from Fig. 6 by defining interfaces for the three components: the RC interface  $I_{rc}$ , the obstacle interface  $I_o$ , and the robot interface  $I_r$ . Recall that the robot’s collision avoidance also assumes the remote control to not request sudden speed changes and that the obstacle does not move too fast.

The RC interface in Example 4 has no input ports, so  $V_{rc}^{in}$  (6) and  $\pi_{rc}^{in}$  (7) are empty. The single output port  $d$  (8) provides the current speed advice, which, by output guarantee  $\pi_{rc}^{out}$  (9), is never further away than  $D$  from the previous advice  $d^-$  (10).

##### Example 4 Remote Control Interface

$$I_{rc} = (V_{rc}^{in}, \pi_{rc}^{in}, V_{rc}^{out}, \pi_{rc}^{out}, V_{rc}^-) \quad (6)$$

$$V_{rc}^{in} = \{\} \quad (7)$$

$$\pi_{rc}^{in} = () \quad (8)$$

$$V_{rc}^{out} = \{d\} \quad (9)$$

$$\pi_{rc}^{out} = (d \mapsto |d - d^-| \leq D) \quad (10)$$

$$V_{rc}^- = \{d^-\} \quad (10)$$

The obstacle interface in Example 5 has no input ports, see (11)–(12). The single output port provides the current obstacle position  $p_o$  (13), where output guarantee  $\pi_o^{out}$  (14) restricts the position to an interval of size  $S \cdot (t - t^-)$  centered at the obstacle’s previous position  $p_o^-$  (15). This captures the rate of change between the previous value  $p_o^-$  and the current value  $p_o$ , tied together by plant duration  $t - t^-$ .

**Example 5** Obstacle Interface

$$I_o = (V_o^{in}, \pi_o^{in}, V_o^{out}, \pi_o^{out}, V_o^-)$$

$$V_o^{in} = \{\} \quad (11)$$

$$\pi_o^{in} = () \quad (12)$$

$$V_o^{out} = \{p_o\} \quad (13)$$

$$\pi_o^{out} = (p_o \mapsto |p_o - p_o^-| \leq S \cdot (t - t^-)) \quad (14)$$

$$V_o^- = \{p_o^-\} \quad (15)$$

The robot interface in Example 6 specifies two input ports (16)–(17). On input port  $\hat{d}$  it receives a speed advice, which is assumed to be close to the previous value  $\hat{d}^-$ , so describes the magnitude of change in speed advice. On input port  $\hat{p}_o$  it receives the obstacle's current position, which is assumed to be close to the obstacle's previous position  $\hat{p}_o^-$ . This input assumption describes the rate of change of the obstacle position. Thus, a global contract [24], which cannot access the change of values, would not suffice here. The robot has no output ports, see (18)–(19). The previous values  $\hat{p}_o^-$  and  $\hat{d}^-$  (20) of both input ports are stored for access in the contract.

**Example 6** Robot Interface

$$I_r = (V_r^{in}, \pi_r^{in}, V_r^{out}, \pi_r^{out}, V_r^-)$$

$$V_r^{in} = \{\hat{p}_o, \hat{d}\} \quad (16)$$

$$\pi_r^{in} = (\hat{p}_o \mapsto |\hat{p}_o - \hat{p}_o^-| \leq S \cdot (t - t^-), \quad \hat{d} \mapsto |\hat{d} - \hat{d}^-| \leq D) \quad (17)$$

$$V_r^{out} = \{\} \quad (18)$$

$$\pi_r^{out} = () \quad (19)$$

$$V_r^- = \{\hat{p}_o^-, \hat{d}^-\} \quad (20)$$

In summary, the remote control is responsible for asking only manageable speed changes and the obstacle is responsible for changing its position not too suddenly. The robot will rely on these guarantees to ensure in turn that it does not drive too close to the obstacle. Interfaces are a powerful tool to separate responsibilities. Next we guarantee that components also deliver on these promises.

**4.3 Proof obligations: change and rate contract**

*Contract compliance* ties together components and interfaces by showing that a component guarantees the output changes that its interface specifies under the input assumptions made in the interface. Contract compliance additionally establishes

a component's responsibilities with respect to how it contributes to system safety.

For example, the safety responsibilities of a robot might require that the robot will not drive too close to the last measurement of the position of the obstacle. Together with the obstacle's output guarantee of not moving too far from its previous position, the local safety responsibilities imply a system-wide safety property (e.g., robot and obstacle will not collide), since we know that a measurement previously reflected the real position. The subtle but important consequence of our composition and contract compliance notion is that the components are *locally responsible with respect to their inputs* (e.g., the robot is locally responsible with respect to position measurements), but *system safety follows for the true values* (e.g., true robot and obstacle position do not coincide).

In order to make guarantees about the behavior of a composed system, we use the system time  $t$  to measure the duration  $(t - t^-)$  between controller runs in rate contract compliance proof obligations.

**Definition 5 (Contract compliance)** Let  $C$  be a component with its interface  $I$  (Definition 4), including output guarantees  $\Pi^{out} \equiv \bigwedge_{v \in V^{out}} \pi^{out}(v)$ . Let formula  $\phi$  describe initial states and formula  $\psi^{safe}$  local safety responsibilities of  $C$ , both over the component variables  $V(C)$ . Formula  $\Omega$  with  $V(\Omega) \subseteq V^{global}$  specifies facts about design parameters of the system. We abbreviate (vectorial) nondeterministic assignments to input ports satisfying input assumptions  $\pi^{in}(v)$

$$in \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (v := *; ?\pi^{in}(v)) \text{ sequentially for all } v \in V^{in},$$

and (vectorial) assignments storing previous values of port variables in port memory:

$$\Delta \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} v^- := v \text{ sequentially for all } v^- \in V^-.$$

*Change contract compliance*  $CCC(C, I)$  of  $C$  with  $I$  is defined as validity of the dL formula:

$$CCC(C, I) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (\Omega \wedge \phi) \rightarrow [(\Delta; ctrl; plant; in; cp)^*] (\psi^{safe} \wedge \Pi^{out}).$$

*Rate contract compliance*  $RCC(C, I)$  is defined as validity of the dL formula:

$$RCC(C, I) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (t = t^- \wedge \Omega \wedge \phi) \rightarrow [(\Delta; ctrl; t^- := t; \{t' = 1, plant\}; in; cp)^*] (\psi^{safe} \wedge \Pi^{out}).$$

Contract compliance can be verified in KeYmaera X [10].

The order of the assignments in both  $in$  and  $\Delta$  is irrelevant because the assignments are over disjoint variables and  $\pi^{in}(v)$  are local to their port per Definition 4. The variables  $v^-$  can be used in a component's  $ctrl$  and  $plant$  to access the initial values of ports, e.g., while the variable  $v_i \in V^{in}$  holds the newly transmitted value of a port,  $v_i^-$  can be used to access its previous value.

In this notion of contracts, input ports are read at the end of the component, after the run of  $plant$ . While reading from input ports at the beginning of a component's loop body (i.e., before the controller runs, e.g., as in [24]) may seem intuitive, it would require severe restrictions to a component's plant in order to make inputs and plant agree on duration. Thus, we prepare the next loop iteration at the end of the loop body (i.e., after  $plant$ ), so that the actual plant duration can be considered for computing the next input values.

### 4.3.1 Example: contract compliance

We continue the collision avoidance example by proving contract compliance for the remote control, obstacle, and robot component. The remote control from Fig. 6 issues speed advice in a purely discrete manner and therefore a change contract according to Definition 5 is sufficient to relate the current advice  $d$  to the previous advice  $d^-$ . The precondition (21) for the RC bootstraps the output port's previous value  $d^-$  from the current speed advice  $d$ . Here,  $\psi_{rc}$  comprises only the output guarantees (22) of the RC, since the RC has no local safety responsibilities. In summary, the RC guarantees that consecutive speed advice are at most  $D$  apart. The bounds on  $D \geq 0$  are specified globally for all components.

$$\phi_{rc} \equiv d = d^- \quad (21)$$

$$\psi_{rc} \equiv |d - d^-| \leq D \quad (22)$$

The resulting *change contract* per Definition 5 for the RC was verified using KeYmaera X:

$$(D \geq 0 \wedge \phi_{rc}) \rightarrow [\overbrace{(d^- := d; d := *; ?|d - d^-| \leq D; \text{skip}; \text{skip})^*}^{\Delta_{rc}}] \overbrace{\psi_{rc}}^{ctrl_{rc}} \overbrace{\psi_{rc}}^{plant_{rc}}$$

We thus know that the component is safe and complies with its interface. Compared to contracts with fixed ranges as in approaches [4,24], we do not have to assume a global limit for speed advice  $d$ , but consider the previous advice  $d^-$  as a reference value when calculating the next speed advice.

Obstacles move and, therefore, obstacle positions  $p_o$  are related by how much time passes in the obstacle's ODE  $plant_o \equiv p'_o = s_o$ . Hence, we follow Definition 5 to abstract

the obstacle's motion to its rate of change in position (24). The precondition  $\phi_o$  (23) for the obstacle bootstraps the output port's previous value  $p_o^-$  from the position  $p_o$  and initializes the obstacle speed to 0, which is also subject to a maximum speed system parameter  $S \geq 0$ . Formula  $\psi_o$  (24) gives only the output port guarantees of the obstacle, since our liberal notion of obstacles should not assume obstacles to cooperate for safety. Such an abstraction can be found by solving the plant ODE or from differential invariants [33].

$$\phi_o \equiv p_o = p_o^- \wedge s_o = 0 \quad (23)$$

$$\psi_o \equiv |p_o - p_o^-| \leq S \cdot (t - t^-) \quad (24)$$

The resulting *rate contract* per Definition 5 for the obstacle was verified using KeYmaera X:

$$(t = t^- \wedge S \geq 0 \wedge \phi_o) \rightarrow [\overbrace{(p_o^- := p_o; s_o := *; ?(0 \leq s_o \leq S); t^- := t; \{t' = 1, p'_o = s_o\}; \text{skip}; \text{skip})^*}^{\Delta_o}] \overbrace{\psi_o}^{ctrl_o} \overbrace{\psi_o}^{plant_o} \overbrace{\psi_o}^{in_o} \overbrace{\psi_o}^{cp_o}$$

The proof guarantees that the obstacle moves at most distance  $S \cdot (t - t^-)$  between measurements  $p_o$  and  $p_o^-$  taken  $(t - t^-)$  apart.

Finally, we turn to the rate contract of the robot. The precondition (25) bootstraps the input ports' previous values  $\hat{p}_o^-$  and  $\hat{d}^-$  from  $\hat{p}_o$  and  $\hat{d}$ , initializes the robot's speed to 0 and ensures a positive control cycle time (i.e. maximum  $plant$  runtime  $\varepsilon$ ). The robot also gets to assume the system parameter bounds  $S \geq 0$  and  $D \geq 0$ . The robot guarantees  $\psi_r$  (26) that its own position and the measured obstacle position never coincide, unless the robot is stopped.

$$\phi_r \equiv \hat{p}_o = \hat{p}_o^- \wedge \hat{d} = \hat{d}^- \wedge s_r = 0 \wedge \varepsilon > 0 \quad (25)$$

$$\psi_r \equiv s_r > 0 \rightarrow \hat{p}_o \neq p_r \quad (26)$$

The resulting *rate contract* per Definition 5 for the robot was verified using KeYmaera X:

$$(t = t^- \wedge S \geq 0 \wedge D \geq 0 \wedge \phi_r) \rightarrow [\overbrace{(\hat{p}_o^- := \hat{p}_o; \hat{d}^- := \hat{d}; \text{if (far) } s_r := \hat{d} \text{ else } s_r := 0; t^- := t; \{t' = 1, p'_r = s_r\}; \hat{p}_o := *; ?\pi_r^{in}(\hat{p}_o); \hat{d} := *; ?\pi_r^{in}(\hat{d}); \text{skip})^*}^{\Delta_r}] \overbrace{\psi_r}^{ctrl_r} \overbrace{\psi_r}^{plant_r} \overbrace{\psi_r}^{in_r} \overbrace{\psi_r}^{cp_r}$$

The proof guarantees that the robot does not drive too close to the measured obstacle position.

#### 4.4 Proof obligations: compatible composition

From components with verified contract compliance, we now compose systems such that the safety of the composed system can be guaranteed from the safety results about the individual components. Not all naive compositions of components would be safe. But we show that those that respect the interface compatibilities are.

##### 4.4.1 Parallel composition of components

Parallel composition of components requires parallel composition of their controllers as well as of their plants, and connections between their ports, see Sect. 3.2. Unlike plants, which are ODEs and have a native parallel composition operator in dL, truly parallel composition of controllers would require enumerating all possible interleavings of controller statements and result in a potentially vast proof effort. Instead, we rely on the strict variable separation between components to introduce a quasi-parallel composition: the discrete *ctrl* computations of the components are executed sequentially, while the continuous *plant* dynamics run in parallel. Which exact sequential execution order of *ctrl* blocks is chosen is irrelevant by Lemma 1, since the *ctrl* computations of different components are independent according to Definition 2 (i.e., programs having disjoint free and bound variables) and the communication between components happens *after* all their combined *ctrl* computations. Similarly, the internally connected ports *cp* of the components are independent and thus composed sequentially in any order.

Such a definition is natural in dL, since time only passes during continuous evolution in hybrid programs, while the discrete actions of a program do not consume time and, thus, happen instantaneously at a single real point in time, but in a specific order.

Fundamental ingredients for parallel composition of two components are their connections that specify how output values from one component are passed on to inputs of the other component.

The connections  $\mathcal{X}$  are parametric in a communication program *con* that defines how values are passed between connected ports. For example, an instantaneous, lossless communication can be modeled with a deterministic assignment  $x := \mathcal{X}(x)$  directly transferring the value of the source output port  $\mathcal{X}(x)$  to its connected input port  $x$ . Parallel composition uses connections  $\mathcal{X}$  to wire components and merge unconnected ports into a composed interface. Connections must satisfy the following conditions.

**Remark 1 (Connections)** Connections  $\mathcal{X}$

$$\mathcal{X}: (V_1^{in} \cup V_2^{in}) \rightarrow (V_1^{out} \cup V_2^{out}) ,$$

provided  $\mathcal{X}(v) \notin V_i^{out}$  for all  $v \in V_i^{in}$ , are specified with a partial (i.e., not every input must be mapped), injective (i.e., every output is only mapped to at most one input) function, connecting some inputs to some outputs, with domain  $\mathcal{I}^{\mathcal{X}} = \{x \in V_i^{in} \mid \mathcal{X}(x) \text{ is defined}\}$  and image  $\mathcal{O}^{\mathcal{X}} = \{y \in V_i^{out} \mid y = \mathcal{X}(x) \text{ for some } x \in V_i^{in}\}$ . The connection program  $con: \mathcal{I}^{\mathcal{X}} \rightarrow HP$  models the connection using a discrete program without ODEs per connected input port to read values from the connected source output port, such that

- each  $con(v)$  sets only its input port, for all  $v \in \mathcal{I}^{\mathcal{X}}$  and all  $C_i: BV(con(v)) \cap (V(C_i) \cup V^{global}) = \{v\}$ ,
- each  $con(v)$  only reads the connected ports and global variables:  $(V(con(v)) \cap V(C_i)) \subseteq (V^{global} \cup \{v, \mathcal{X}(v)\})$  for all  $v \in \mathcal{I}^{\mathcal{X}}$  and  $C_i$ ,
- connections bind disjoint inputs, for all  $v_k \neq v_l \in \mathcal{I}^{\mathcal{X}}: BV(con(v_k)) \cap BV(con(v_l)) = \emptyset$ .

Any communication program that satisfies the conditions in Remark 1 can be used for parallel composition per Definition 6 below. For example direct copy  $v_i := \mathcal{X}(v_i)$ .

**Definition 6 (Parallel composition)** Let

$$C_i = (ctrl_i, plant_i, cp_i) \text{ for } i \in \{1, 2\}$$

denote two components with their interfaces

$$I_i = (V_i^{in}, \pi_i^{in}, V_i^{out}, \pi_i^{out}, V_i^-) ,$$

sharing only  $V^{global}$  and system time:  $V(C_1) \cap V(C_2) \subseteq V^{global} \cup \{t, t^-\}$ . The composition  $(C_1, I_1) \parallel_{\mathcal{X}, con} (C_2, I_2)$  of two

components and their interfaces according to connections  $\mathcal{X}$  and communication programs *con* is defined as:

- sequential controllers  $ctrl \equiv ctrl_1; ctrl_2$ ,
- parallel plants inside both evolution domains

$$plant \equiv \overbrace{x_1^{(1)'} = \theta_1^{(1)}, \dots, x_1^{(k)'} = \theta_1^{(k)}, \dots,}^{\text{component } C_1} \underbrace{x_2^{(1)'} = \theta_2^{(1)}, \dots, x_2^{(m)'} = \theta_2^{(m)}}_{\text{component } C_2} \& Q_1 \wedge Q_2 ,$$

- connected ports  $cp_1; cp_2$  are extended with new connections  $con(v_k), \dots, con(v_l)$  for  $\{v_k, \dots, v_l\} = \mathcal{I}^{\mathcal{X}}$

$$cp \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} cp_1; cp_2; \underbrace{con(v_k); \dots; con(v_l)}_{\text{newly connected inputs}} ,$$

- previous values  $V^- \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} V_1^- \cup V_2^-$  are merged,

- unconnected inputs  $V^{in} = (V_1^{in} \cup V_2^{in}) \setminus \mathcal{I}^{\mathcal{X}}$  and unconnected outputs  $V^{out} = (V_1^{out} \cup V_2^{out}) \setminus \mathcal{O}^{\mathcal{X}}$  are merged and their assumptions/guarantees preserved

$$\pi^{in}(v) \equiv \begin{cases} \pi_1^{in}(v) & \text{if } v \in V_1^{in} \setminus \mathcal{I}^{\mathcal{X}} \\ \pi_2^{in}(v) & \text{if } v \in V_2^{in} \setminus \mathcal{I}^{\mathcal{X}} \end{cases}$$

$$\pi^{out}(v) \equiv \begin{cases} \pi_1^{out}(v) & \text{if } v \in V_1^{out} \setminus \mathcal{O}^{\mathcal{X}} \\ \pi_2^{out}(v) & \text{if } v \in V_2^{out} \setminus \mathcal{O}^{\mathcal{X}} \end{cases}.$$

Note that by moving connected ports  $x \in \mathcal{I}^{\mathcal{X}}$  from the composed  $V^{in}$  into the connected ports  $cp$ , the communication programs  $con$  replace the nondeterministic assignments to open inputs of Definition 5. The order of  $con$  is irrelevant because their bound variables are disjoint per Remark 1. A communication program  $con$  may introduce and bind new local variables, as long as they are not part of any other component. However,  $con$  cannot use differential equations, as time passes only in the plants of components. Merged  $\pi^{in}$  and  $\pi^{out}$  remain disjoint since  $V_i^-$ ,  $V_i^{in}$  and  $V_i^{out}$  are disjoint between components by Definition 2. It follows that the set of variables of the composed component  $V(C)$  is the union of both variable sets, i. e.,  $V(C) = V(C_1) \cup V(C_2)$ .

The user provides component specifications  $(C_i, I_i)$ , a communication function  $con$  to transfer values between connected ports, and connections  $\mathcal{X}$  that define which output is connected to which input. The composed system of parallel components is defined syntactically in Definition 6.

**Remark 2** Since  $V^- = V_1^- \cup V_2^-$ , the current and previous values of ports can still be used internally in the composed system, even when the ports are no longer exposed through its external interface.

**Associativity and commutativity.** The above composition operation is commutative and associative, and can, thus, be lifted to any number of components.

**Proposition 1 (Parallel composition is commutative)** *Let  $C_i$  for  $i \in \{1, 2\}$  be components with interfaces  $I_i$ , and let  $\mathcal{X} : \mathcal{I} \rightarrow \mathcal{O}$  be connections with  $\mathcal{O} \subseteq V_1^{out}$ ,  $\mathcal{I} \subseteq V_2^{in}$ . Then*

$$(C_1, I_1) \parallel_{\mathcal{X}, con} (C_2, I_2) \equiv (C_2, I_2) \parallel_{\mathcal{X}, con} (C_1, I_1)$$

**Proof** We have to show that  $ctrl$ ,  $plant$  and  $cp$ , as well as port memory variables  $V^-$ , unconnected inputs (i. e., input ports  $V^{in}$  and input assumptions  $\pi^{in}$ ), and unconnected outputs (i. e., output ports  $V^{out}$  and output guarantees  $\pi^{out}$ ) are equal on both sides.

- Controllers  $ctrl_1; ctrl_2 \equiv ctrl_2; ctrl_1$  are commutative because sequential composition “;” of independent (i. e., those that do not bind any variables the other component reads) hybrid programs is commutative by Lemma 1.

- $plant_1, plant_2 \equiv plant_2, plant_1$  because composition “,” of differential equations is commutative.
- For port connections  $cp_1; cp_2; con \equiv cp_2; cp_1; con$ , commutativity also follows by Lemma 1.
- Unions of variable sets are commutative by commutativity of set union  $\cup$ : previous values are merged  $V^- \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} V_1^- \cup V_2^-$ .
- Sets of unconnected input ports are merged and commutative by commutativity of set union  $\cup$ , that is,  $V^{in} = (V_1^{in} \cup V_2^{in}) \setminus \mathcal{I}^{\mathcal{X}}$ . Input assumptions are preserved and the order of merging is irrelevant.

$$\pi^{in}(v) \equiv \begin{cases} \pi_1^{in}(v) & \text{if } v \in V_1^{in} \setminus \mathcal{I}^{\mathcal{X}} \\ \pi_2^{in}(v) & \text{if } v \in V_2^{in} \setminus \mathcal{I}^{\mathcal{X}} \end{cases}.$$

Similarly for unconnected output ports.  $\square$

**Proposition 2 (Parallel composition is associative)** *Let  $C_i$  for  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$  be components with interfaces  $I_i$ , and let  $\mathcal{X} : \mathcal{I}^{\mathcal{X}} \mapsto \mathcal{O}^{\mathcal{X}}$  and  $\mathcal{Y} : \mathcal{I}^{\mathcal{Y}} \mapsto \mathcal{O}^{\mathcal{Y}}$  be connections with  $\mathcal{O}^{\mathcal{X}} \subseteq V_1^{out}$ ,  $\mathcal{I}^{\mathcal{X}} \subseteq V_2^{in}$ ,  $\mathcal{O}^{\mathcal{Y}} \subseteq V_2^{out}$  and  $\mathcal{I}^{\mathcal{Y}} \subseteq V_3^{in}$ . Then*

$$((C_1, I_1) \parallel_{\mathcal{X}, con_{\mathcal{X}}} (C_2, I_2)) \parallel_{\mathcal{Y}, con_{\mathcal{Y}}} (C_3, I_3)$$

$$\equiv (C_1, I_1) \parallel_{\mathcal{X}, con_{\mathcal{X}}} ((C_2, I_2) \parallel_{\mathcal{Y}, con_{\mathcal{Y}}} (C_3, I_3))$$

**Proof** We have to show that  $ctrl$ ,  $plant$  and  $cp$ , port memory variables  $V^-$ , unconnected inputs (i. e., input ports  $V^{in}$  and input assumptions  $\pi^{in}$ ), and unconnected outputs (i. e., output ports  $V^{out}$  and output guarantees  $\pi^{out}$ ) are equivalent on both sides and satisfy Definition 6.

- $(ctrl_1; ctrl_2); ctrl_3 \equiv ctrl_1; (ctrl_2; ctrl_3)$  because sequential composition “;” of hybrid programs is associative.
- $(plant_1, plant_2), plant_3 \equiv plant_1, (plant_2, plant_3)$  because composition “,” of differential equations is associative.
- For port connections  $cp$ , we have to show that

$$(cp_1; cp_2; con_{\mathcal{X}}); cp_3; con_{\mathcal{Y}} \equiv$$

$$cp_1; (cp_2; cp_3; con_{\mathcal{Y}}); con_{\mathcal{X}}$$

where

$$con_{\mathcal{X}} \equiv con(v_k), \dots, con(v_l) \text{ for } \{v_k, \dots, v_l\} = \mathcal{I}^{\mathcal{X}}$$

$$con_{\mathcal{Y}} \equiv con(v_r), \dots, con(v_s) \text{ for } \{v_r, \dots, v_s\} = \mathcal{I}^{\mathcal{Y}}$$

represent the new port connections. Sequential composition “;” is associative, and since all communication



programs *con* bind disjoint variables and do not read variables bound in other *con* (see Definition 6), their order is irrelevant and can be commuted by Lemma 1.

- Unions of variable sets are associative by associativity of set union  $\cup$ :  $V^- \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (V_1^- \cup V_2^-) \cup V_3^- = V_1^- \cup (V_2^- \cup V_3^-)$ .
- Sets of unconnected input ports are merged and associative by associativity of set union  $\cup$ :  $V^{in} = (V_1^{in} \cup V_2^{in} \cup V_3^{in}) \setminus (\mathcal{I}^X \cup \mathcal{I}^Y)$ . Input assumptions are preserved and the order of merging is irrelevant.

$$\pi^{in}(v) \equiv \begin{cases} \pi_1^{in}(v) & \text{if } v \in V_1^{in} \setminus (\mathcal{I}^X \cup \mathcal{I}^Y) \\ \pi_2^{in}(v) & \text{if } v \in V_2^{in} \setminus (\mathcal{I}^X \cup \mathcal{I}^Y) \\ \pi_3^{in}(v) & \text{if } v \in V_3^{in} \setminus (\mathcal{I}^X \cup \mathcal{I}^Y) \end{cases}$$

Similarly for unconnected output ports.  $\square$

#### 4.4.2 Communication

The composition operation in Definition 6 can be parametrized with communication programs *con* satisfying Remark 1. In this section, we formalize lossless and lossy communication (recall Sect. 3.2) as introduced in [25], and a unit conversion communication program.

**Instantaneous, lossless communication.** Instantaneous, lossless interaction between components is a useful model for direct communication between components and a first approximation for sensor measurements. Instantaneous, lossless communication  $con_{ll}(v_i)$  can be modeled with a deterministic assignment from output port  $\mathcal{X}(v_i)$  ( $\mathcal{X}$  as in Definition 6) to the connected input port  $v_i$  as follows:

$$con_{ll}(v_i) \equiv v_i := \mathcal{X}(v_i) .$$

**Instantaneous, lossy communication.** Lossy communication can be used when transmission of exact values cannot be guaranteed, e. g., to model sensor uncertainty. We model lossy communication  $con_{ly}(v_i)$  with a deterministic assignment distorted with a bounded error as follows:

$$con_{ly}(v_i) \equiv \lambda := *; ?|\lambda| \leq \Lambda; v_i := \mathcal{X}(v_i) + \lambda .$$

The variable  $\Lambda \in V^{global}$  is an error bound on the actual error  $\lambda$ , which can vary with every transmission. While the error variable  $\lambda$  must be local to each pair of connected ports, the same error bound  $\Lambda$  can be shared between multiple connections. Lossy communication with  $\Lambda = 0$  is equivalent to lossless communication.

**Unit conversion.** Communication programs act as glue code between components that can perform computations on the transferred values. A typical example is conversion

of units. Consider a sensor measuring the distance to an obstacle in feet, whereas a control component may perform computations in meters internally. A *unit conversion program*  $con_{uc}(v_i)$  transforms the distance information and thus allows connecting ports without changing the original components, e. g.,

$$con_{uc}(v_i) \equiv v_i := \mathcal{X}(v_i) \cdot U ,$$

where  $U$  is a constant factor used for unit conversion (e. g.,  $U = 0.3048$  for conversion from feet to meters).

#### 4.4.3 Example: parallel composition

Returning to our running example of Fig. 6, after contract compliance is checked for each component separately, we compose the components to form the overall collision avoidance system: the remote control gives speed advice to the robot, which measures obstacle positions to decide whether to follow the advice or stop to avoid collision with the obstacle. The connections  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}$  connect the output ports of the RC and the obstacle with the respective input ports of the robot: the robot measures the obstacle position  $\hat{p}_o$  from the true position  $p_o$  and receives the speed advice  $\hat{d}$  from the true  $d$  (27).

$$\mathcal{X} = (\hat{p}_o \mapsto p_o) , \quad \mathcal{Y} = (\hat{d} \mapsto d) \quad (27)$$

The component  $C_{sys}$  in (28) and interface  $I_{sys}$  in (29) result from parallel composition of the RC, the robot, and the obstacle, using the connection mapping (27).

$$C_{sys} = \overbrace{((ctrl_{rc}; ctrl_r; ctrl_o), (plant_r, plant_o))}^{ctrl_{sys} \quad plant_{sys}}, \quad \underbrace{((con_{ll}(\hat{p}_o); con_{ll}(\hat{d})))}_{cp_{sys}} \quad (28)$$

$$I_{sys} = \left( \underbrace{\{\}}_{V^{in}}, \underbrace{\{0\}}_{\pi^{in}}, \underbrace{\{\}}_{V^{out}}, \underbrace{\{0\}}_{\pi^{out}}, \underbrace{\{p_o^-, d^-, \hat{p}_o^-, \hat{d}^-\}}_{V^-} \right) \quad (29)$$

The robot's input ports are connected to the RC's and obstacle's output ports. How values are transmitted between robot, obstacle and RC is specified by  $con_{ll}(\hat{p}_o)$  and  $con_{ll}(\hat{d})$ :

$$\begin{aligned} con_{ll}(\hat{p}_o) &\equiv \hat{p}_o := p_o \\ con_{ll}(\hat{d}) &\equiv \hat{d} := d \end{aligned}$$

Here, we connect two pairs of ports, transferring (i) the obstacle position from the obstacle to the robot, and (ii) the speed advice from the RC to the robot. The robot might measure the position of the obstacle using a sensor, which is subject to sensor uncertainty. This can be modeled using lossy

communication as follows ( $\Lambda_p$  represents the maximum measurement error, according to the sensor's specification):

$$con_{ly}(\hat{p}_o) \equiv \lambda_p := *; ? |\lambda_p| \leq \Lambda_p; \hat{p}_o := p_o + \lambda_p$$

#### 4.4.4 Connection compatibility

During composition, the tests guarding the input ports of an interface are replaced with a hybrid program modeling the port connections of the components. That is only correct if the respective output guarantees and input assumptions match. Hence, in addition to contract compliance, users have to show connection compatibility.

Compatibility links the output guarantees of an output port to the input assumptions of its connected input port via a specific communication program. We summarize the behavior of the communication program  $con$  as a communication guarantee as follows.

**Definition 7 (Communication guarantee)** Let port connection  $con$  satisfy Remark 1 and transfer values from output port  $v_{out}$  to input port  $v_{in}$ . We say connection  $con$  provides a communication guarantee  $\zeta(v_{in}, v_{out})$  if the following dL formulas are valid:

$$[con(v_{in})]\zeta(v_{in}, v_{out}) \quad (30)$$

$$\langle con(v_{in}) \rangle true. \quad (31)$$

Each communication program  $con$  requires a suitable communication guarantee  $\zeta(v_{in}, v_{out})$  and user-provided proofs of (30) and (31). The communication guarantee can for instance be derived from the communication program using ModelPlex [21]. The communication guarantees of lossless and lossy communication are straightforward. Lossless communication directly assigns values, so the communication guarantee (32) unambiguously characterizes the communication program by ensuring that the values of the connected ports are equal.

$$\zeta_{ll}(v_{in}, v_{out}) \equiv v_{in} = v_{out} \quad (32)$$

Lossy communication allows for a measurement error, which is reflected in the communication guarantee (33).

$$\zeta_{ly}(v_{in}, v_{out}) \equiv |\lambda| \leq \Lambda \wedge v_{in} = v_{out} + \lambda \quad (33)$$

**Definition 8 (Compatible connection)** A parallel composition  $((C_1, I_1) \parallel (C_2, I_2))_{\mathcal{X}}$  is *compatible* iff dL formula

$$CPO(\mathcal{X}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \zeta(\text{old}(v), \text{old}(\mathcal{X}(v))) \rightarrow [con(v)](\pi_j^{\text{out}}(\mathcal{X}(v)) \rightarrow \pi_i^{\text{in}}(v))$$

is valid over (vectorial) equalities and assignments for input ports  $v \in \mathcal{I}^{\mathcal{X}}$ . Formula  $\zeta(\text{old}(v), \text{old}(\mathcal{X}(v)))$  is the communication guarantee. Facts about global constants  $V^{\text{global}}$  can be used in the proof. We call  $CPO(\mathcal{X})$  the *compatibility proof obligation* for the connection  $\mathcal{X}$  between interfaces  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  and say the interfaces  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  are *compatible* with respect to  $\mathcal{X}$  if  $CPO(\mathcal{X})$  is valid.

Compatibility ensures that the output guarantees are strong enough to satisfy the input assumptions of connected ports under a certain communication program and its communication guarantee. This is important to preserve the input assumptions in the composed system, which lacks the explicit tests of the isolated components. To achieve local compatibility checks for pairs of connected ports, instead of global checks over entire component models, Definition 4 restricts input assumptions to only mention variables of the associated ports. Note that even though Definition 4 does not restrict output guarantees, compatibility proofs will only succeed if output guarantee also only mention variables of the associated ports.

#### 4.4.5 Example: compatibility

In our example, we have to ensure compatibility of the components with respect to  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}$  (27). Since we have two connected ports, we discharge two compatibility proof obligations (34) and (35), one for each port.

$$CPO(\mathcal{Y}) \equiv ((d^- = \hat{d}^-) \wedge (S \geq 0 \wedge D \geq 0)) \rightarrow [\hat{d} := d] \left( |d - d^-| \leq D \rightarrow |\hat{d} - \hat{d}^-| \leq D \right) \quad (34)$$

$$CPO(\mathcal{X}) \equiv ((p_o^- = \hat{p}_o^-) \wedge (S \geq 0 \wedge D \geq 0)) \rightarrow [\hat{p}_o := p_o] \left( |p_o - p_o^-| \leq S \cdot (t - t^-) \rightarrow |\hat{p}_o - \hat{p}_o^-| \leq S \cdot (t - t^-) \right) \quad (35)$$

Formulas (34) and (35) can be proved automatically using KeYmaera X, i. e., connections  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}$  are compatible.

**Compatibility for lossy communication.** With lossy communication between robot and obstacle, we can no longer verify the compatibility proof obligation, because the input port presently requires exact measurements, see (17). Incompatibility indicates that either the robot or the obstacle interface made incompatible assumptions about its environment and requires change. In (36) below, we opt for changing the robot to allow sensor uncertainty in its input assumptions, which in turn requires change to the robot controller to re-establish contract compliance. Formula (36) uses the communication invariant and the communication program for lossy compo-

sition, and additionally changes the robot's input assumption to consider the possible loss of precision.

$$\begin{aligned}
 CPO(\mathcal{X}) \equiv & |\lambda_p| \leq \Lambda_p \wedge p_o^- = \hat{p}_o^- + \lambda_p \wedge S \geq 0 \wedge D \geq 0 \\
 \rightarrow & [\lambda_p := *; ?|\lambda_p| \leq \Lambda_p; \hat{p}_o := p_o + \lambda_p] \\
 \left( & (|p_o - p_o^-| \leq S \cdot (t - t^-) \rightarrow \right. \\
 & \left. |\hat{p}_o - \hat{p}_o^-| \leq S \cdot (t - t^-) + 2\Lambda_p) \right) \quad (36)
 \end{aligned}$$

#### 4.5 Transferring component safety to system safety

From contract compliance and compatibility proofs, Theorem 1 below transfers the local safety responsibilities in component contracts to safety of the composed system. As a result, showing safety of the composed system no longer requires a monolithic proof, but is inferred from local component and compatibility proofs. The proof of Theorem 1 can be found in Sect. 5 as part of our implementation.

**Theorem 1** (Composition contract retention) *Let  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  be components with interfaces  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  that are rate contract compliant per Definition 5 and compatible with respect to  $\mathcal{X}$  per Definition 8. Assume the communication guarantee  $\zeta$  per Definition 7 holds initially to start from consistent connected ports. Then, the parallel composition  $(C_1, I_1) \parallel_{\mathcal{X}} (C_2, I_2)$  satisfies the following contract with  $\Omega$  specifying global system parameters over  $V^{\text{global}}$  and in, cp, ctrl, and plant according to Definition 6:*

$$\begin{aligned}
 \models & (t = t^- \wedge \Omega \wedge \phi_1 \wedge \phi_2 \wedge \zeta) \rightarrow \\
 & [(\Delta; \text{ctrl}; t^- := t; \{t' = 1, \text{plant}\}; \text{in}; \text{cp})^*] \\
 & \left( \psi_1^{\text{safe}} \wedge \Pi_1^{\text{out}} \wedge \psi_2^{\text{safe}} \wedge \Pi_2^{\text{out}} \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

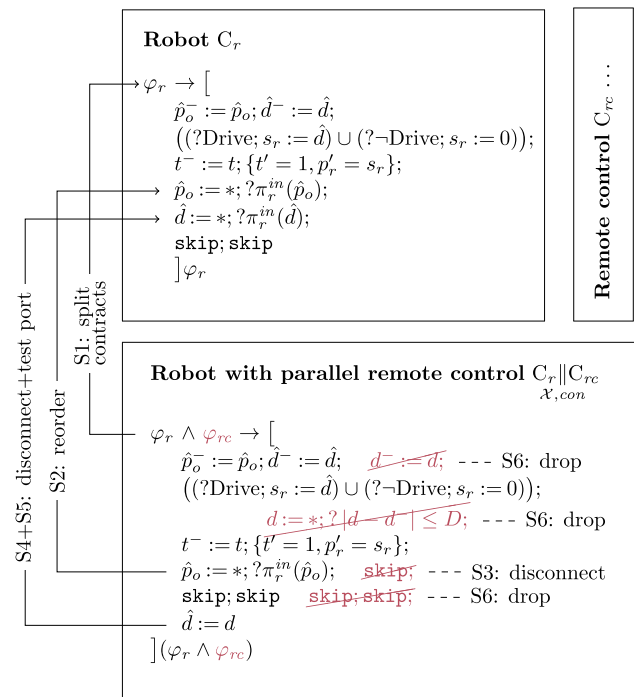
Theorem 1 provides strong safety guarantees about the whole system from local component and compatibility proofs, but requires that the assumptions made in Definition 5, Definition 6, Definition 7, and Definition 8 are carefully checked on every use. The proof of Theorem 1 can be found as a tactic based on the axioms of dL in Sect. 5.

**Remark 3** Because of the precondition  $\zeta$  and because *cp* is executed after every execution of the main loop per Definition 5, we know that the values of connected input and output ports behave as indicated by their communication guarantee, as one would expect. This is useful to deduce system safety properties about true values from guarantees about measured values. With lossless communication, for instance, the local safety responsibility of the robot  $|p_r - \hat{p}_o| > 0$  phrased over measured obstacle position  $\hat{p}_o$  guarantees safety over true obstacle positions  $|p_r - p_o| > 0$ .

## 5 Proof automation

Proof automation for Theorem 1 can be achieved in the hybrid systems theorem prover KeYmaera X [10] in different ways: (i) Theorem 1 could be added directly to the prover core as a new proof rule, which is efficient but requires a complicated soundness-critical algorithm that checks all its nontrivial side conditions and, thereby, significantly increases the complexity of the algorithms that are responsible for the correctness of the verification results; (ii) as a proof tactic *outside* the small soundness-critical core to automatically derive a proof for each composite system instance from individual component and compatibility proofs, with all side conditions verified in the core for free as part of the proof construction. We follow the tactic-based approach since it preserves soundness and is able to handle user-defined component behavior.

The main idea behind the proof construction tactic, as illustrated for the robot and remote control in Fig. 8, is to adapt the program shape of the composed system to match the shape of its components, so that component proofs fill in most proof obligations directly. The proof reuse mechanism of KeYmaera X closes proof obligations from lemmas whose conclusion is syntactically equal to the open proof obligation. This requires additional systematic proof steps to adapt the shape of an open proof obligation to exactly the shape of the lemma conclusion. Therefore, the tactic adapts the shape of



**Fig. 8** Proof sketch to decompose the composition of robot and remote control into isolated components

the system contract per Definition 6 to the shapes of component and compatibility proofs with the following steps:

- S1 splits the proof along component contracts (proves that the composed system preserves the component contracts)
- S2 reorders communication programs to match the order in the corresponding component (Lemma 1)
- S3 disconnects outputs by dropping all communication programs that are irrelevant for the current contract (Lemma 2)
- S4 re-introduces tests for input assumptions after communication programs to prepare disconnecting inputs (Lemmas 5 and 6)
- S5 disconnects inputs by replacing communication programs with nondeterministic assignments to resemble port behavior of unconnected components (Lemma 4)
- S6 drops plants and controllers that are irrelevant for the current contract (Lemmas 2 and 3)

The lemmas and tactic details in the following subsections illustrate the details of the composed system proof construction and also serve as an example of proof reuse in KeYmaera X.

### 5.1 Automation for program shape adaptation

In this section, we introduce lemmas for program shape adaptation that are used in proving system safety from component and compatibility proofs following the above proof sketch. The proofs for Lemmas 2, 3, 5, and 6 follow our prior work [24]. A detailed proof for the newly introduced Lemma 1 can be found in Appendix C, and helpful implementation Corollaries in Appendix D. Throughout the section, we use the proof rules and axioms listed in Appendix B.

**Drop control.** We use Lemma 2 below to simplify programs to only the relevant statements that influence the safety property.

**Lemma 2** (Drop control) *Let  $A$  be a dL formula and  $\alpha, \beta$  be hybrid programs. Program  $\beta$  has no influence over  $A$ , i. e.,  $FV(A) \cap BV(\beta) = \emptyset$  and there is no information flow from  $\beta$  to  $\alpha$ , i. e.,  $FV(\alpha) \cap BV(\beta) = \emptyset$ . Then these formulas are valid:*

$$[\alpha]A \rightarrow [\beta][\alpha]A \text{ and } [\alpha]A \rightarrow [\alpha][\beta]A$$

Since Lemma 2 makes crucial assumptions about the meta constructs of free and bound variables of program constants  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , it is not expressible as an axiom in KeYmaera X. However, when implemented as a tactic that operates on concrete programs  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , their free and bound variables can be computed (e. g., the HP  $x := y$  has bound variable  $x$  and

free variable  $y$ ) and the assumptions checked. Uniform substitution [35] in the KeYmaera X kernel will fail the tactic if it operates on programs that violate the assumptions.

**Drop Plant.** Lemma 3 simplifies systems of ODEs to only those differential equations that are relevant for the safety property.

**Lemma 3** (Drop plant) *Let  $\theta$  and  $\eta$  be terms possibly mentioning  $x$  and  $y$ , respectively, where  $x$  and  $y$  are vectors of disjoint variables. Let  $A$  be a dL formula over  $x$  and  $H, Q$  be formulas over  $x$  and  $y$ , respectively. Then*

$$[\{x' = \theta \ \& \ H\}]A \rightarrow [\{x' = \theta, y' = \eta \ \& \ H \wedge Q\}]A$$

*is valid.*

Similarly to Lemma 2, we implement Lemma 3 as a tactic that operates on concrete programs and relies on uniform substitution for soundness.

**Nondeterministic program overapproximation.** Instead of proving a safety property about a hybrid program, we can replace it with a proof for nondeterministic assignments to the variables bound in the program. This is useful for generalizing proofs: instead of proving a property about a specific program, we prove this property about a more abstract family of programs, which makes the proof reusable. Lemma 4 will be used to drop connections by replacing communication programs with nondeterministic assignments that represent unconnected input ports.

**Lemma 4** (Overapproximate program) *Let  $x = BV(\alpha)$  be the bound variables of program  $\alpha$ , and  $A$  be a dL formula potentially mentioning  $x$ . Then this is valid:*

$$[x := *]A \rightarrow [\alpha]A$$

**Test introduction.** Program overapproximation with Lemma 4 discards all knowledge about the computations of the abstracted programs. Lemma 5 allows summarizing the relevant characteristics of these computations as tests before overapproximation.

**Lemma 5** (Introduce test) *Let  $A$  and  $F$  be formulas, and  $\alpha$  be a hybrid program. Then this is valid:*

$$[\alpha]F \rightarrow ([\alpha; ?F]A \leftrightarrow [\alpha]A)$$

**Test weakening.** The following Lemma 6 allows us to weaken test conditions that are unnecessarily strong.

**Lemma 6** (Weaken test) *Let  $A, F$ , and  $G$  be formulas. Then this is valid:*

$$((F \rightarrow G) \wedge [?G]A) \rightarrow [?F]A$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
\frac{(40) \quad \frac{*}{t = t^- \wedge \phi_3 \vdash \varphi_3} \quad \frac{\textcircled{2} \text{ (Fig. 10)}}{\varphi_3 \vdash [\Delta_3; ctrl_3; t^- := t; \{t' = 1, plant_3\}; in_3; cp_3] \varphi_3} \quad \frac{*}{(42) \varphi_3 \vdash (\psi_3^{safe} \wedge \Pi_3^{out})} \\
\text{ind} \quad \frac{t = t^- \wedge \phi_3 \vdash [(\Delta_3; ctrl_3; t^- := t; \{t' = 1, plant_3\}; in_3; cp_3)^*] (\psi_3^{safe} \wedge \Pi_3^{out})}{\rightarrow r \quad \vdash t = t^- \wedge \phi_3 \rightarrow [(\Delta_3; ctrl_3; t^- := t; \{t' = 1, plant_3\}; in_3; cp_3)^*] (\psi_3^{safe} \wedge \Pi_3^{out})}
\end{array}$$

**Fig. 9** Loop induction on the system contract using the composite loop invariant

## 5.2 Automation for system safety proofs

Now that we have created the necessary prerequisites in the form of provably correct program shape adaptations, we implement the proof sketch as a KeYmaera X tactic, which automatically derives a system safety proof from component and compatibility proofs.

Users provide component proofs that witness contract compliance, i. e., formula (37) is valid (accordingly for component  $C_2$ ).

$$\begin{aligned}
RCC(C_1, I_1) &\stackrel{\text{Definition 5}}{=} t = t^- \wedge \phi_1 \rightarrow [(\Delta_1; ctrl_1; t^- := t; \\
&\quad \{t' = 1, plant_1\}; in_1; cp_1)^*] (\psi_1^{safe} \wedge \Pi_1^{out}) \quad (37)
\end{aligned}$$

Users also provide compatibility proofs that witness compatible connections, i. e., formulas (38) (one for each connection) are valid.

$$\begin{aligned}
CPO(\mathcal{X}) &\stackrel{\text{Definition 8}}{=} \left( \zeta(\text{old}(v), \text{old}(\mathcal{X}(v))) \wedge \Omega \right) \rightarrow \\
&\quad [con(v)](\pi_j^{out}(\mathcal{X}(v)) \rightarrow \pi_i^{in}(v)) \quad (38)
\end{aligned}$$

In summary, from component proofs (37) and compatibility proofs (38), we prove system safety (39) of the parallel composition  $(C_3, I_3) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} (C_1, I_1) \parallel_{\mathcal{X}, con} (C_2, I_2)$ , that is:

$$\begin{aligned}
RCC(C_3, I_3) &\stackrel{\text{Definition 5}}{=} t = t^- \wedge \phi_3 \rightarrow [(\Delta_3; ctrl_3; t^- := t; \\
&\quad \{t' = 1, plant_3\}; in_3; cp_3)^*] (\psi_3^{safe} \wedge \Pi_3^{out}) \quad (39)
\end{aligned}$$

where the items of the parallel composition follow from Definition 6 and invariants, input assumptions, and output guarantees are read off the component proofs:

$$\begin{aligned}
ctrl_3 &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} ctrl_1; ctrl_2 \\
plant_3 &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} plant_1, plant_2 \\
\phi_3 &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \phi_1 \wedge \phi_2 \wedge \zeta \\
\psi_3^{safe} &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \psi_1^{safe} \wedge \psi_2^{safe} \\
\Pi_3^{out} &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \Pi_1^{out} \wedge \Pi_2^{out}
\end{aligned}$$

For space reasons, we elide facts about global constants. They are invariant throughout the proof, so available everywhere.

The tactic has to verify that the contract (39) of the parallel composition  $RCC(C_3, I_3)$  is valid. We know that formula (37) is valid, hence we can read off invariant  $\varphi_1$  from the contract compliance proof of component  $C_1$  (accordingly for component  $C_2$ ) such that:

$$\models t = t^- \wedge \phi_1 \rightarrow \varphi_1 \quad (40)$$

$$\models \varphi_1 \rightarrow [\Delta_1; ctrl_1; t^- := t; \{t' = 1, plant_1\}; in_1; cp_1] \varphi_1 \quad (41)$$

$$\models \varphi_1 \rightarrow (\psi_1^{safe} \wedge \Pi_1^{out}) \quad (42)$$

Formula  $\varphi_1$  is an inductive loop invariant for the component  $C_1$ , so  $FV(\varphi_1) \subseteq V(C_1) \cup V^{global} \cup \{t, t^-\}$ .

The system proof construction in Fig. 9 is a sequent proof: horizontal lines separate the premises of a proof step from its conclusion; from proven premises (above the line), the axioms and proof rules that are annotated to the left of the horizontal lines then justify the conclusion (below the line).

The proof uses loop induction for the system contract, using  $\varphi_3 \equiv \varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2 \wedge \zeta$  as a loop invariant, i. e., the conjunction of the two-component loop invariants  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$ , and the communication guarantee  $\zeta$ .

The tactic transforms each branch individually until we get formulas that correspond to (40), (41) and (42). To prove the induction base case and use case, the tactic applies a series of simple propositional steps (see Figs. 17 and 18 in Appendix C for details) to transform each branch until it can be closed from formulas (40), (42) (hold correspondingly for  $\varphi_2$  of the component  $C_2$ ), or from the communication guarantee  $\zeta$ .

The induction step follows the steps S1–S6 of the proof sketch and is described in detail below.

**S1: Split along contracts.** In the induction step Fig. 10, after a few simple structural steps the tactic proves invariance of  $\varphi_1$ ,  $\varphi_2$ , and  $\zeta$  separately on three branches: branch ④ to prove invariance of  $\varphi_1$  and accordingly for  $\varphi_2$ , as well as preservation of the communication guarantee  $\zeta$ . For communication guarantees we know that  $[con]\zeta$  holds by Definition 7 (30), which together with  $cp_3 \equiv cp_1; cp_2; con$  per Definition 6 closes branch  $[...] [in_3; cp_3] \zeta$  immediately.



**Fig. 10** Prove component loop invariants and communication guarantee separately

**Fig. 11** Disassemble system into components: adapt program order and disconnect ports

We abbreviate

A Plant  $plant_1$ , port memory  $\Delta_1$ , and control  $ctrl_1$  of component  $C_1$  are irrelevant in the side condition

- B With rule **MR** we generalize the postcondition to introduce inputs and connections  $\langle in_2; cp_2 \rangle \Pi_2^{out}$  of component  $C_2$  to adapt toward the shape of formula (41).
- C We use  $\langle \cdot \rangle$  to turn the assumption  $\langle in_2; cp_2 \rangle \Pi_2^{out}$  into a proof obligation  $[in_2; cp_2] \neg \Pi_2^{out}$  whose dynamics can then be abstracted with **V**, because  $FV(\Pi_2^{out}) \cap BV(in_2; cp_2) = \emptyset$ .
- D We know  $\langle in_2; cp_2 \rangle true$  since all input assumptions  $\pi_2^{in}$  in  $in_2$  are satisfiable per Definition 4 and all the connection programs  $con(v_{in})$  in  $ports_2$  can run ( $\models \langle con(v_{in}) \rangle true$  per Definition 7). Using derived axiom  $[\cdot] \rightarrow \langle \cdot \rangle$  (i. e.,  $\langle \alpha \rangle true \rightarrow [\alpha] P \rightarrow \langle \alpha \rangle P$ ), this turns the liveness obligation  $\langle in_2; cp_2 \rangle \Pi_2^{out}$  into a safety obligation  $[in_2; cp_2] \Pi_2^{out}$ .
- E The use case proof of (42) of component  $C_2$  allows strengthening  $\Pi_2^{out}$  to  $\varphi_2$  by rule **MR**, which then

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id	$\frac{}{\Pi_2^{out} \vdash \Pi_2^{out}}$	(41)	$\frac{}{\vdash \varphi_2 \rightarrow [\Delta_2; ctrl_2; t^- := t; \{t' = 1, plant_2\}; in_2; cp_2] \varphi_2}$
$\neg r$	$\frac{}{\vdash \neg \Pi_2^{out}, \Pi_2^{out}}$	[i]	$\frac{}{\vdash \varphi_2 \rightarrow [\Delta_2][ctrl_2][t^- := t][\{t' = 1, plant_2\}][in_2; cp_2] \varphi_2}$
C,V	$\frac{}{\vdash [in_2; cp_2] \neg \Pi_2^{out}, \Pi_2^{out}}$	E,(42)	$\frac{}{\vdash \varphi_2 \rightarrow [\Delta_2][ctrl_2][t^- := t][\{t' = 1, plant_2\}][in_2; cp_2] \Pi_2^{out}}$
$\langle \cdot \rangle, \neg l$	$\frac{}{\langle in_2; cp_2 \rangle \Pi_2^{out} \vdash \Pi_2^{out}}$	D,[ $\cdot$ ] $\rightarrow \langle \cdot \rangle$	$\frac{}{\vdash \varphi_2 \rightarrow [\Delta_2][ctrl_2][t^- := t][\{t' = 1, plant_2\}]\langle in_2; cp_2 \rangle \Pi_2^{out}}$
B,MR			$\vdash \varphi_2 \rightarrow [\Delta_2][ctrl_2][t^- := t][\{t' = 1, plant_2\}] \Pi_2^{out}$
A,L, 2			$\vdash \varphi_2 \rightarrow [\Delta_1; \Delta_2][ctrl_2][t^- := t][\{t' = 1, plant_2\}] \Pi_2^{out}$
A,L, 2			$\vdash \varphi_2 \rightarrow [\Delta_1; \Delta_2][ctrl_1; ctrl_2][t^- := t][\{t' = 1, plant_2\}] \Pi_2^{out}$
def			$\vdash \varphi_2 \rightarrow [\Delta_3][ctrl_1; ctrl_2][t^- := t][\{t' = 1, plant_2\}] \Pi_2^{out}$
A,L, 3			$\vdash \varphi_2 \rightarrow [\Delta_3][ctrl_1; ctrl_2][t^- := t][\{t' = 1, plant_1, plant_2\}] \Pi_2^{out}$
def			$\vdash F_2^{out}$
WL,W $r$			$\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \zeta \vdash [\Delta_3][ctrl_1; ctrl_2][t^- := t][\{t' = 1, plant_1, plant_2\}] \varphi_1, F_2^{out}$
⑥ (Fig. 11) continued			

Fig. 12 Justify  $F_2^{out}$ 

concludes the side condition proof from the induction step proof (41) of component  $C_2$ .  $\square$

**S2: Reorder ports and communication programs.** This step adapts the order of ports and communication programs so that subsequent steps meet their requirements on bound and free variables.

2. We use Lemma 1 to reorder the subprograms within  $in_3$  and  $cp_3$  such that the input ports of  $C_1$  precede the ones of  $C_2$ . The KeYmaera X prover kernel will fail Lemma 1 if the conditions on variable binding in open ports as well as communication programs are violated, i.e., if variables other than the respective input ports are modified.
3. Next, we use Lemma 1 to move the external connections  $con$  directly after the open input ports  $in_1^*$  in preparation of disconnecting inputs, so that later external communication programs can be moved easily into the unconnected input ports  $in_1^*$  to rebuild the isolated  $in_1$ .

**S3: Disconnect outputs.** Next, we work toward isolating  $C_1$ : we disconnect the outputs of component  $C_1$  from the inputs of component  $C_2$  and drop all open inputs of component  $C_2$ .

4. Lemma 2 removes all internal connections  $cp_2$  of component  $C_2$ , where  $\alpha \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} cp_1$ ,  $\beta \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} cp_2$  and  $A \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \varphi_1$ . Lemma 2 is applicable, because there is no information flow from program  $\beta$  to  $\alpha$  ( $FV(\alpha) \cap BV(\beta) = \emptyset$ ) and formula  $A$  is not influenced by program  $\beta$  ( $FV(A) \cap BV(\beta) = \emptyset$ ). We know that there is no information flow from  $\beta$  to  $\alpha$  since  $FV(cp_1) \subseteq V(C_1)$  are disjoint from  $BV(cp_2) \cap (V(C_1) \cup V(C_2)) \subseteq V_2^{in}$ , and therefore in turn also disjoint from  $BV(cp_2) \cap (V(C_1) \cup V(C_2)) \subseteq V(C_2) \setminus (V^{global} \cup \{t, t^-\})$ . Formula  $A$  is not influenced by program  $\beta$  since  $FV(\varphi_1) \subseteq V(C_1)$  and  $V(C_1) \cap V(C_2) \setminus (V^{global} \cup \{t, t^-\}) = \emptyset$  by Definition 2.

5. Similarly, Lemma 2 removes unconnected ports  $in_2^*$  of component  $C_2$ , where  $\alpha \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} in_1^*$ ,  $\beta \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} in_2^*$  and  $A \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} [cp_1] \varphi_1$ . Again, there is no flow from  $\beta$  to  $\alpha$  ( $FV(\alpha) \cap BV(\beta) = \emptyset$ ) since  $FV(in_1^*) \subseteq V(C_1)$  and  $BV(in_2^*) \subseteq V_2^{in}$  (and thus  $BV(cp_2) \subseteq V(C_2) \setminus (V^{global} \cup \{t, t^-\})$ ) are disjoint. Furthermore, property  $A$  is not influenced by program  $\beta$  ( $FV(A) \cap BV(\beta) = \emptyset$ ) since  $FV([cp_1] \varphi_1) \cap (V(C_1) \cup V(C_2)) \subseteq V(C_1)$  and  $V(C_1) \cap V(C_2) \subseteq (V^{global} \cup \{t, t^-\})$ .

**S4: Re-introduce input assumptions.** Next, we prepare for disconnecting inputs by introducing tests that check the input assumptions guaranteed by communication programs. Steps 6–9 are repeated for each communication program  $con(v_j)$ .

6. The tactic extracts the leftmost communication program  $con(v_j)$  from  $con$ . The program  $con^*$  denotes the remaining communication programs.
7. Lemma 5 uses  $F_2^{out}$  to insert a test  $? \pi_2^{out}(\mathcal{X}(v_j))$ .
8. Lemma 1 then sorts the new test  $? \pi_2^{out}(\mathcal{X}(v_j))$  after the communication program  $con(v_j)$ . The lemma is applicable because  $in_1^*$  and  $con(v_j)$  write only input variables from  $C_1$ , while  $\pi_2^{out}(\mathcal{X}(v_j))$  reads only variables from  $C_2$ , so altogether  $BV(in_1^*; con(v_j)) \cap FV(\pi_2^{out}(\mathcal{X}(v_j))) = \emptyset$ .
9. Lemma 6 then relaxes the test of output guarantees to the potentially weaker input assumptions  $? \pi_1^{in}(v_j)$  of the communication program, which will allow us to later disconnect the port. The condition of Lemma 6 that  $F \rightarrow G$  is valid is justified from the compatibility proof (38) by the steps in Fig. 13.

- A The compatibility proof for (38) simplifies compatibility  $\pi_2^{out}(\mathcal{X}(v_j)) \rightarrow \pi_1^{in}(v_j)$  of communication program  $con(v_j)$  to the communication guarantee  $\zeta(\text{old}(v_j), \text{old}(\mathcal{X}(v_j)))$ .
- B The communication guarantee is now phrased over initial  $\text{old}(\mathcal{X}(v_j)) \in V_2^-$  and  $\text{old}(v_j) \in V_1^-$  that are

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$\wedge, \text{id}$	$\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \bigwedge_{v \in \mathcal{I}^X} \zeta(v, \mathcal{X}(v)) \vdash \zeta(v_j, \mathcal{X}(v_j))$
$\vee$	$\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \bigwedge_{v \in \mathcal{I}^X} \zeta(v, \mathcal{X}(v)) \vdash [\dots; \text{old}(\mathcal{X}(v_j)) := \mathcal{X}(v_j); \dots; \text{old}(v_j) := v_j; \dots] \zeta(v_j, \mathcal{X}(v_j))$
$C, [:=]$	$\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \bigwedge_{v \in \mathcal{I}^X} \zeta(v, \mathcal{X}(v)) \vdash [\dots; \text{old}(\mathcal{X}(v_j)) := \mathcal{X}(v_j); \dots; \text{old}(v_j) := v_j; \dots] \zeta(\text{old}(v_j), \text{old}(\mathcal{X}(v_j)))$
$\text{def}$	$\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \zeta \vdash [\Delta_1; \Delta_2] \zeta(\text{old}(v_j), \text{old}(\mathcal{X}(v_j)))$
$\text{def}$	$\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \zeta \vdash [\Delta_3] \zeta(\text{old}(v_j), \text{old}(\mathcal{X}(v_j)))$
$B, L, 2$	$\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \zeta \vdash [\Delta_3][ctrl_1; ctrl_2][t^- := t][\{t' = 1, plant_3\}][in_1^*] \zeta(\text{old}(v_j), \text{old}(\mathcal{X}(v_j)))$
$A, (46)$	$\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \zeta \vdash [\Delta_3][ctrl_1; ctrl_2][t^- := t][\{t' = 1, plant_3\}][in_1^*][con(v_j)] (\pi_2^{out}(\mathcal{X}(v_j)) \rightarrow \pi_1^{in}(v_j))$
⑦ (Fig. 11) continued	

Fig. 13 Use connection compatibility to verify the side condition of Lemma 6

written neither in controllers nor plants, since Definition 4 requires that port memory storage  $V^-$  is not modified  $(BV(ctrl) \cup BV(plant) \cup BV(cp)) \cap V^- = \emptyset$ . Therefore, Lemma 2 allows us to drop all controllers and plants except the port memory  $\Delta_3$ .

- C The condition closes from straightforward assignments by axiom  $[:=]$  of the port memory  $\Delta_3$  and  $V$ .  $\square$

**S5: Disconnect inputs.** This step disconnects the component inputs by replacing communication programs with a nondeterministic overapproximation.

10. Now that the input assumptions  $?\pi_1^{in}(v_j)$  are in place, Lemma 4 disconnects the input by replacing the communication program  $con(v_j)$  with a nondeterministic assignment  $v_j := *$ .
11. The input with its assumptions is now appended to  $in_1^*$ . We repeat steps 10 and 11 for every connected port  $v_j$ . Afterward, we use Lemma 1 to adjust the order of input assignments until we get the shape  $in_1; cp_1$ .

**S6: Drop plants and controllers.** Now that the component  $C_1$  is disconnected, we drop all other components.

12. Lemma 3 drops the plant  $plant_2$  of component  $C_2$ , since it no longer influences component  $C_1$ , i.e.,  $FV([in_1][cp_1]\varphi_1) \cap BV(plant_2) = \emptyset$ .
13. Lemma 1 sorts the port memories  $\Delta_3$  such that memories  $\Delta_1$  of  $C_1$  precede the memories  $\Delta_2$  of  $C_2$ .
14. Finally, Lemma 2 removes the controller  $ctrl_2$  and port memory  $\Delta_2$  of component  $C_2$  to get the shape (41), which concludes the induction step of component  $C_1$ .

The tactic for the induction step of component  $C_2$  works in a similar manner, using  $\varphi_2$  in place of  $\varphi_1$ .  $\square$

Throughout the proof, the assignments in vector-valued ports are kept together; the dimension of a vector-valued port indicates how many programs to move simultaneously.

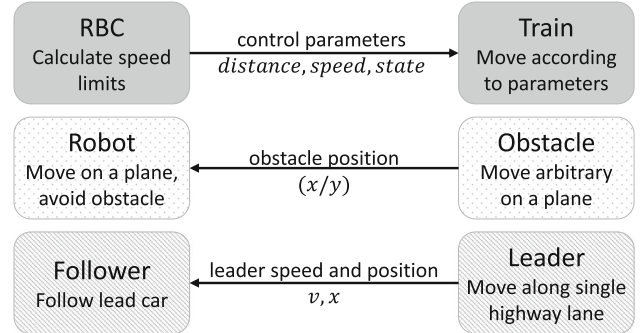


Fig. 14 Case Studies: Components and communication

## 6 Case studies

To evaluate our approach<sup>2</sup>, we use the running example of a remote-controlled robot (RC robot) and revisit prior case studies on the European Train Control System (ETCS) [36], two-component robot collision avoidance (Robix) [20], and adaptive cruise control (LLC) [16], see Fig. 14. In ETCS, a radio-block controller (RBC) communicates speed limits to a train, i.e., it requires the train to have at most speed  $d$  after some point  $m$ . The RBC vector-valued change contract relates distances  $m, m^-$  and demanded speeds  $d, d^-$  in input assumptions/output guarantees of the form  $d \geq 0 \wedge (d^-)^2 - d^2 \leq 2b(m - m^-) \wedge state = drive$ , thus avoiding physically impossible maneuvers.

In *Robix*, a robot measures the position of a moving obstacle with a maximum speed  $S$ . The obstacle guarantees to not move further than  $S \cdot (t - t^-)$  in either axis between measurements, using a rate contract.

In *LLC*, a follower car measures both speed  $v_l$  and position  $x_l$  of a leader car, with maximum acceleration  $A$  and braking capabilities  $B$ . Hence, we use a vector-valued port rate contract with properties of the form  $2 \cdot (x_l - x_l^-) \geq v_l + v_l^- \cdot t \wedge 0 \leq v_l \wedge -B \cdot t \leq v_l - v_l^- \leq A \cdot t$  tying together speed change and position progress.

<sup>2</sup> Implementation and full models available online at <http://www.cs.cmu.edu/~smitsch/resource/components>

**Table 2** Experimental results for case studies

	Contract				Automation				Duration [s]				
	Multi	Change	Rate	Nonlinear	$C_1$	$C_2$	Th. 1	Monolithic	$C_1$	$C_2$	Th. 1	Sum	Monolithic
RC Robot			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	32	101	56	<b>189</b>	<b>1934</b>
ETCS[36]	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	127	608	179	<b>873</b>	<b>15306</b>
Robix[20]			✓	✓	(31)	✓	✓	(96)	469	117	132	<b>718</b>	<b>902</b>
LLC [16]	✓		✓		✓	(50)	✓	(131)	135	351	267	<b>753</b>	<b>568</b>

## 6.1 Results

Table 2 summarizes the experimental results of the component-based approach in comparison with monolithic models in terms of duration and degree of proof automation. The column *Contract* describes the kind of contract used in the case study (i. e., vector-valued ports, rate contract or change contract), as well as whether or not the models use nonlinear differential equations. The column *Automation* indicates fully automated proofs with checkmarks; it indicates the number of built-in tactics composed to form a proof script when user input is required. The column *Duration* compares the proof duration, using Z3 [22] as a back-end decision procedure to discharge arithmetic. Note that the runtime of proofs where user input was required is highly dependent on the used proof script. For comparable numbers, all proof scripts were created by a single user in a similar style. The column *Sum* sums up the proof durations for the components (columns  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ ) and Theorem 1 (column *Th. 1*, i. e., checking compatibility and the execution of our composition proof). Checking the composition proof is fully automated, following the proof steps of Theorem 1. All measurements were conducted on an Intel i7-6700HQ CPU @2.6 GHz with 16-GB memory.

In summary, we observe that component-based verification uses less tedious interactive proving (see Robix and LLC) and may even improve proof checking performance to some extent, since it can help reduce the combinatorial explosion that may occur in monolithic models when non-deterministic choices are composed sequentially (see ETCS).

## 6.2 Discussion

**Tele-operated robot (RC Robot).** The tele-operated robot, which was used as a running example throughout this article, uses rate contracts and was—due to its trivial models—solved automatically. The proof for the monolithic system took more than 10 times longer than for the component-based version using our approach.

**European train control system (ETCS).** The ETCS used a vector-valued change contract, which was verified automat-

ically using KeYmaera X. Even though the train component  $C_2$  took much longer than the controller component  $C_1$ , the whole proof duration of our component-based approach is almost 20 times shorter than for the monolithic approach.

**Robot collision avoidance (Robix).** The case study used rate contracts and required the use of nonlinear ODEs to model the robot's motion. Here both versions—the component-based version (i. e., the robot component) and the monolithic version—required manual guidance to complete the proof. While the proofs for the obstacle component and the theorem (including side conditions) finished automatically, the proof for the robot used 31 manual tactic applications. The monolithic proof used more than three times as many manual steps. Besides reducing tedious manual work, the decomposition effect is also reflected in reduced proof checking duration.

**Adaptive cruise control (LLC).** LLC used a vector-valued rate contract, where neither the follower component nor the monolithic system were verified automatically. The number of manual proof steps for the monolithic approach is reduced to less than 50% in the component-based approach. Note that the proof duration for the component-based case is about 30% higher than for the monolithic case. This is caused by several factors: (i) As the monolithic model is rather small, there is no significant dimension reduction when using the component-based case; on the contrary, our approach introduces additional variables (e. g., plant start time). (ii) The monolithic approach uses tricks to reduce the variable number, which are not applicable in the component-based case.

**Summary.** In summary, the results indicate that our approach verification can lead to performance improvements and smaller user-provided proof scripts. As long as proof automation of KeYmaera X was able to verify the contracts, our component-based approach outperformed the monolithic approach, see RC Robot and ETCS. As soon as manual proof steps (i. e., manual application of tactics) are required, the proof duration of the component-based approach and the monolithic approach are almost equal. However, the num-

ber of manual steps needed to verify the contracts is reduced when using our component-based approach.

## 7 Related work

We group related work into hybrid automata, hybrid process algebras, and hybrid programs.

**Hybrid automata and assume-guarantee reasoning.** Parallel composition of hybrid automata leads to an exponential product automaton because the associated verification procedure for its safety properties is not compositional [1]. Thus, for a hybrid automaton, it is not sufficient to establish a property about its parts in order to establish a property about the automaton. We, instead, decompose *verification* into local proofs and get system safety automatically. Hybrid I/O automata [18] extend hybrid automata with a notion of external behavior. The associated implementation relation (i.e., if automaton  $A$  implements automaton  $B$ , properties verified for  $B$  also hold for  $A$ ) is respected by their composition operation in the sense that if  $A_1$  implements  $A_2$ , then the composition of  $A_1$  and  $B$  implements the composition of  $A_2$  and  $B$ . Similarly, approximate bi-simulation allows abstraction of models and is compositional for a synchronous composition operator [11]. Hybrid (I/O) automata are mainly verified using reachability analysis.

Thus, techniques to prevent state-space explosion are needed, such as assume-guarantee reasoning (AGR, e.g., [4,9,14]), which was developed to decompose a verification task into subtasks. Timed transition systems are used to approximate a component's behavior by discretization [9]. These abstractions are then used in place of the more complicated automata to verify refinement properties, but the implementation is limited to linear hybrid automata. In analogy, we discretize plants to rate contracts; however, in our approach, contracts completely replace components and do not need to retain simplified transition systems.

A similar AGR rule is presented in [14], where the approximation drops continuous behaviors of single components entirely. As a result, the approach only works when the continuous behavior is irrelevant to the verified property, which rarely happens in CPS. Our change and rate contracts still preserve knowledge about continuous behavior.

The AGR approach of [4] uses contracts consisting of input assumptions and output guarantees to verify properties about single components: a component is an abstraction of another component if it has a stricter contract. The approach is restricted to constant intervals, i.e., static global contracts as in [24].

In [7], a component-based design framework for controllers of hybrid systems with linear dynamics based on hybrid automata is presented. It focuses on checking inter-

connections of components: alarms propagated by an output must be handled by the connected in-ports. We, too, check component compatibility, but for contracts, and focus on transferring proofs from components to the system level. We provide parallel composition, while [7] uses sequential composition.

The compositional verification approach in [2] bases on linear hybrid automata using invariants to over-approximate component behavior and interactions. However, interactions between components are restricted to synchronization (i.e., no variable state can be transferred between components).

In summary, aforementioned approaches are limited to linear dynamics [7] or linear hybrid automata [2], use global contracts [4], focus on sequential composition [7] or rely on reachability analysis, overapproximation and model checking [4,9,14]. We, in contrast, focus on *theorem proving* in dL, using change and rate contracts and handle *non-linear dynamics* and parallel composition. Most crucially, we transfer local safety responsibilities from components to safety of whole systems using tactics without needing soundness-critical prover extensions, whereas related approaches require safety-critical extensions and work on the complementary question of property transfer between different levels of abstraction [4,9,14] (which dL handles by refinement [15]).

**Hybrid process algebras.** Hybrid process algebras are compositional modeling formalisms for the description of behavior and interaction of processes, based on algebraic equations. Examples are Hybrid  $\chi$  [38], HyPA [6] or the  $\Phi$ -Calculus [39]. Although the modeling is compositional, for verification purposes, the models are again analyzed using simulation or reachability analysis in a non-compositional fashion (e.g., Hybrid  $\chi$  using PHAVer [44], HyPA using HyTech [19],  $\Phi$ -Calculus using SPHIN [42]), while we focus on exploiting compositionality in the proof.

**Hybrid programs.** Quantified hybrid programs enable a compositional verification of hybrid systems with an arbitrary number of components [30] of a homogeneous structure (e.g., many cars, or many robots). They were used to split monolithic hybrid program models into smaller parts to show that adaptive cruise control prevents collisions for an arbitrary number of cars on a highway [16]. We focus on components of different shapes. Similarly, the approach in [23] presents a component-based approach limited to traffic flow and global contracts.

Our approach extends prior work [24], which was restricted to contracts over constant ranges. Such global contracts are well-suited for certain use cases, where the change of a port's value does not matter for safety, such as the traffic flow models of [23]. However, for systems such as the remote-controlled robot obstacle avoidance from our running



example (cf. Sect. 4.1), which require knowledge about the change of certain values, global contracts only work for considerably more conservative models (e. g., robot and obstacle must stay in fixed globally known regions, since the obstacle's last position is unknown). Change and rate contracts allow more liberal component interaction.

Focusing on architectural properties, [40] proposes a component-based modeling approach for hybrid systems. Although they do not transfer verification results from components to composites, their component definitions have inspired our own definitions.

Alternative parallel composition operations for dL [17] use nondeterministic choices between all controllers and the parallel plants, which is a good fit if all control operations are nondeterministic. Such a composition operation gets commutativity and associativity for free from the underlying dL operator for nondeterministic choice, but requires careful user modeling to respect variable restrictions and preserve controller executability after composition, which we get by design of the composition operation. Furthermore, their approach aims at composition of contracts with restrictions on variables, but does not consider compatibility of ports. We, on the other hand, use interfaces to explicitly designate inputs and outputs together with their behavior, which facilitates reuse of components and allows a notion of compatibility. Most crucially, for safety verification [17] introduces new proof rules for the parallel composition operator, which must be trusted for soundness. Our tactic to produce system safety proofs, in contrast, is a syntactic decomposition on the shape of programs and therefore inherits soundness for free from the KeYmaera X prover kernel.

## 8 Conclusion

Component-based modeling makes sense for complicated systems, but only really pays off if accompanied by component-based verification. Just as component-based modeling splits big systems into smaller components, component-based verification splits monolithic system verification into proofs about components with local responsibilities. This is especially useful if the safety of the composed system follows directly from the safety of the individual components, which is what we identify corresponding sufficient conditions for in this article. The dL basis that we use already provides compositionality for each of its operators, but we now add compositionality at the larger granularity of components.

Our component-based verification leverages component contracts. Change contracts relate a port's previous value to its current value (i. e., the change since the last port transmission), while rate contracts additionally relate to the time passed between measurements. Rate contracts allow the verification of a broader range of systems, but need more time

variables. As the number of variables can be crucial for formal verification, change contracts are favorable if applicable.

The safety properties of components that are described by component contracts and verified using KeYmaera X transfer to the composed system without re-verification of the entire system. We have shown the applicability of our approach on a running example and three existing case studies, which furthermore demonstrated the potential reduction of verification effort compared to proving monolithic models. We implemented our approach as a KeYmaera X tactic that automatically verifies composite systems from verified component contracts *without increasing the trusted prover core*.

Our experiments have demonstrated an impact on either the time it took KeYmaera X's proof automation to find a proof, or the size of the user-supplied tactic. We used existing case studies for monolithic systems as a basis. The biggest remaining litmus test for component-based verification is the empirical question of whether it is easier or harder for people to *start* with a component-based design compared to a monolithic model.

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## A: Formal semantics

The semantics of hybrid programs  $\alpha$  is expressed as a transition relation between states (Definition 9). A differential equation  $x' = \theta \ \& \ Q$  can transition between any pair of states connected by a continuous flow  $\varphi$  that respects the differential equations and evolution domain. The set of all states is denoted by  $\text{Sta}(\mathcal{V})$ . We write  $\varphi \models x' = \theta \ \& \ Q$  to mean that  $\varphi$  is a flow of the differential equation  $x' = \theta$  contained within the region  $Q$ , see [28,32,35] for full details.

### Definition 9 (Transition semantics of hybrid programs)

The transition relation  $\llbracket \alpha \rrbracket$  specifies which states  $\omega$  are reachable from a state  $\nu$  by operations of  $\alpha$ . It is defined as follows:

1.  $(\nu, \omega) \in \llbracket x := \theta \rrbracket$  iff  $\omega(x) = \nu[\theta]$ , and for all other variables  $z \neq x$ ,  $\omega(z) = \nu(z)$
2.  $(\nu, \omega) \in \llbracket x := * \rrbracket$  iff  $\omega(z) = \nu(z)$  for all variables  $z \neq x$
3.  $(\nu, \omega) \in \llbracket ?Q \rrbracket$  iff  $\nu = \omega$  and  $\nu \models Q$
4.  $(\nu, \omega) \in \llbracket x' = \theta \ \& \ Q \rrbracket$  iff exists solution  $\varphi: [0, r] \rightarrow \text{Sta}(\mathcal{V})$  for  $r \geq 0$  with  $\varphi(0) = \nu$ ,  $\varphi(r) = \omega$ , and  $\varphi \models x' = \theta \ \& \ Q$

5.  $\llbracket \alpha \cup \beta \rrbracket = \llbracket \alpha \rrbracket \cup \llbracket \beta \rrbracket$
6.  $\llbracket \alpha; \beta \rrbracket = \{(v, \omega) : (v, \mu) \in \llbracket \alpha \rrbracket, (\mu, \omega) \in \llbracket \beta \rrbracket, \text{exists } \mu\}$
7.  $\llbracket \alpha^* \rrbracket = \llbracket \alpha \rrbracket^*$ , the transitive, reflexive closure of  $\llbracket \alpha \rrbracket$

**Definition 10 (Interpretation of dL formulas)** Truth of dL formula  $\phi$  in state  $v$ , written  $v \models \phi$ , is defined as follows:

1.  $v \models \theta_1 \sim \theta_2$  iff  $v \llbracket \theta_1 \rrbracket \sim v \llbracket \theta_2 \rrbracket$  for  $\sim \in \{=, \leq, <, \geq, >\}$
2.  $v \models \phi \wedge \psi$  iff  $v \models \phi$  and  $v \models \psi$ , so on for  $\neg, \vee, \rightarrow, \leftrightarrow$
3.  $v \models \forall x \phi$  iff  $\omega \models \phi$  for all states  $\omega$  that agree with  $v$  except for the value (in  $\mathbb{R}$ ) of  $x$
4.  $v \models \exists x \phi$  iff  $\omega \models \phi$  for some state  $\omega$  that agrees with  $v$  except for the value (in  $\mathbb{R}$ ) of  $x$
5.  $v \models [\alpha]\phi$  iff  $\omega \models \phi$  for all  $\omega$  with  $(v, \omega) \in \llbracket \alpha \rrbracket$
6.  $v \models \langle \alpha \rangle \phi$  iff  $\omega \models \phi$  for some  $\omega$  with  $(v, \omega) \in \llbracket \alpha \rrbracket$

We denote *validity* as  $\models \phi$ , i.e.,  $v \models \phi$  for all states  $v$ .

## B: Proof rules

Throughout the article, we use the dL proof rules and axioms listed in Fig. 16, for more details see [35]. Note that casing of formula names is significant: in the nondeterministic choice axiom  $[a \cup b]P \leftrightarrow [a]P \wedge [b]P$  the formula  $P$  is allowed to mention any variable (even bound variables of programs  $a$  and  $b$ ), whereas in the **V** axiom  $p \rightarrow [a]p$  the free variables of formula  $p$  must be disjoint from the bound variables of program  $a$ . In the nondeterministic assignment axiom  $[x := *]p(x) \leftrightarrow \forall x p(x)$  the formula  $p(x)$  means that  $x$  may occur free in  $p(x)$  even though it is bound in program  $x := *$ . Throughout our proofs, we use congruence reasoning with **CE** [35] to apply lemmas in the context of other formulas.

## C: Proofs

**Proof of Lemma 1.** This proof uses the reachability semantics of dL and shows  $\langle \alpha; \beta \rangle \psi \leftrightarrow [\beta; \alpha] \psi$  by duality from  $\langle \alpha; \beta \rangle \psi \leftrightarrow \langle \beta; \alpha \rangle \psi$ .

$\langle \alpha; \beta \rangle \psi \rightarrow \langle \beta; \alpha \rangle \psi$  Assume  $(\omega, \mu) \in \llbracket \alpha \rrbracket$  and  $(\mu, v) \in \llbracket \beta \rrbracket$ , i.e.,  $\omega \xrightarrow{\alpha} \mu \xrightarrow{\beta} v$ . We have to show that there exists  $\tilde{v} = v$  with  $(\omega, \tilde{\mu}) \in \llbracket \beta \rrbracket$  and  $(\tilde{\mu}, \tilde{v}) \in \llbracket \alpha \rrbracket$ , i.e.,  $\omega \xrightarrow{\beta} \tilde{\mu} \xrightarrow{\alpha} \tilde{v}$ . Fig. 15 illustrates the proof steps. Note that  $BV(\alpha)^G \supseteq V(\beta)$  since  $BV(\alpha) \cap V(\beta) = \emptyset$ , and  $BV(\beta)^G \supseteq V(\alpha)$  since  $BV(\beta) \cap V(\alpha) = \emptyset$ . Since  $(\mu, v) \in \llbracket \beta \rrbracket$  by assumption and  $\omega = \mu$  on  $BV(\alpha)^G \supseteq V(\beta)$  by the bound effect lemma (cf. [34,

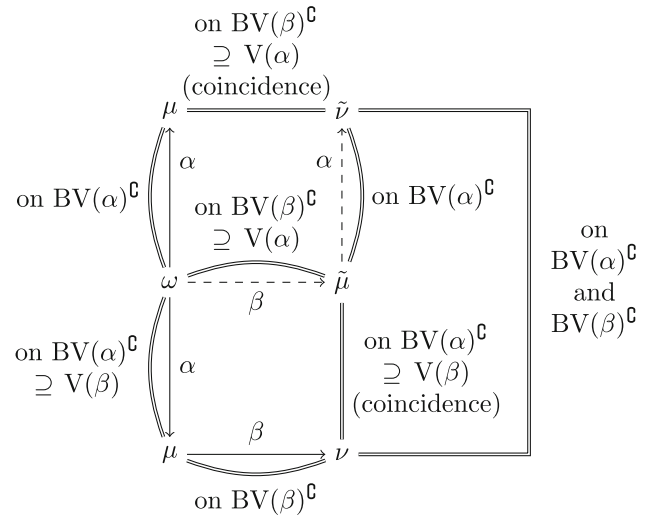


Fig. 15 Proof sketch of Lemma 1

Lem. 9]), there exists  $(\omega, \tilde{\mu}) \in \llbracket \beta \rrbracket$  such that  $\tilde{\mu} = v$  on  $BV(\beta)$  by the coincidence lemma ([34, Lem. 12]) and  $\tilde{\mu} = \omega$  on  $BV(\beta)^G$  by the bound effect lemma.

Since  $(\omega, \mu) \in \llbracket \alpha \rrbracket$  by assumption, there exists  $(\tilde{\mu}, \tilde{v}) \in \llbracket \alpha \rrbracket$  such that  $\tilde{v} = \mu$  on  $BV(\beta)^G \supseteq V(\alpha)$  by the coincidence lemma.

Now  $\tilde{v} = \tilde{\mu} = v$  on  $BV(\alpha)^G$  and also  $\tilde{v} = \mu = v$  on  $BV(\beta)^G$  and hence we conclude  $\tilde{v} = v$ .

$\langle \beta; \alpha \rangle \psi \rightarrow \langle \alpha; \beta \rangle \psi$  Follows accordingly.

$\langle \alpha; \beta \rangle \psi \leftrightarrow [\beta; \alpha] \psi$  follows from  $\langle \alpha; \beta \rangle \psi \leftrightarrow \langle \beta; \alpha \rangle \psi$  by  $\neg[a]\neg P \leftrightarrow \langle a \rangle P$ .  $\square$

**Proof of Lemma 2.** We first show that  $[\alpha]A \rightarrow [\beta][\alpha]A$  follows immediately from **V** (i.e.,  $\phi \rightarrow [\gamma]\phi$ , if  $FV(\phi) \cap BV(\gamma) = \emptyset$ ) with  $\phi = [\alpha]A$  and  $\gamma = \beta$ , since we know that  $FV(A) \cap BV(\beta) = \emptyset$  and  $FV(\alpha) \cap BV(\beta) = \emptyset$ .

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{id}{[\alpha]A \vdash [\alpha]A}^*}{[\alpha]A \vdash [\beta][\alpha]A}^V}{\vdash [\alpha]A \rightarrow [\beta][\alpha]A}^{\rightarrow r}$$

Formula  $[\alpha]A \rightarrow [\alpha][\beta]A$  follows in a similar manner from monotonicity **M[]** and **V** since  $FV(A) \cap BV(\beta) = \emptyset$ .

$$\frac{\frac{\frac{id}{A \vdash A}^*}{A \vdash [\beta]A}^V}{[\alpha]A \vdash [\alpha][\beta]A}^{M[]}{\vdash [\alpha]A \rightarrow [\alpha][\beta]A}^{\rightarrow r}$$

$\square$

**Proof of Lemma 3.** The first step uses differential refinement (**DR**) [37] to remove  $Q$  from the evolution domain. Then,

$([;])$	$[a; b]P \leftrightarrow [a][b]P$	$(\leftrightarrow r)$	$\frac{\Gamma, \phi \vdash \psi, \Delta \quad \Gamma, \psi \vdash \phi, \Delta}{\Gamma \vdash \phi \leftrightarrow \psi, \Delta}$	$(ind)$	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \phi, \Delta \quad \phi \vdash [\alpha]\phi \quad \phi \vdash \psi}{\Gamma \vdash [\alpha^*]\psi, \Delta}$
$([ \cup ])$	$[a \cup b]P \leftrightarrow [a]P \wedge [b]P$	$(\rightarrow r)$	$\frac{\Gamma, \phi \vdash \psi, \Delta}{\Gamma \vdash \phi \rightarrow \psi, \Delta}$	$(cut)$	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash C, \Delta \quad \Gamma, C \vdash \Delta}{\Gamma \vdash \Delta}$
$([:=])$	$[x := e]p(x) \leftrightarrow p(e)$	$(\rightarrow l)$	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \phi, \Delta \quad \Gamma, \psi \vdash \Delta}{\Gamma, \phi \rightarrow \psi \vdash \Delta}$	$(id)$	$\frac{}{\Gamma, P \vdash P, \Delta}$
$([?])$	$[?Q]P \leftrightarrow (Q \rightarrow P)$	$(\wedge r)$	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \phi, \Delta \quad \Gamma \vdash \psi, \Delta}{\Gamma \vdash \phi \wedge \psi, \Delta}$	$(M[])$	$\frac{Q \vdash P}{[a]Q \vdash [a]P}$
$([:=*])$	$[x := *]p(x) \leftrightarrow \forall x p(x)$	$(\wedge l)$	$\frac{\Gamma, \phi, \psi \vdash \Delta}{\Gamma, \phi \wedge \psi \vdash \Delta}$	$(MR)$	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash [a]Q, \Delta \quad Q \vdash P}{\Gamma \vdash [a]P, \Delta}$
$(\langle \cdot \rangle)$	$\neg[a]\neg P \leftrightarrow \langle a \rangle P$	$(\neg r)$	$\frac{\Gamma, \phi \vdash \Delta}{\Gamma \vdash \neg\phi, \Delta}$	$(CER)$	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash C(Q), \Delta \quad P \leftrightarrow Q}{\Gamma \vdash C(P), \Delta}$
$(V)$	$p \rightarrow [a]p$	$(\neg l)$	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \phi, \Delta}{\Gamma, \neg\phi \vdash \Delta}$	$(CEL)$	$\frac{\Gamma, C(Q) \vdash \Delta \quad P \leftrightarrow Q}{\Gamma, C(P) \vdash \Delta}$
$(K)$	$[a](P \rightarrow Q) \rightarrow ([a]P \rightarrow [a]Q)$	$(Wr)$	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \Delta}{\Gamma \vdash \phi, \Delta}$	$(CE)$	$\frac{p(\bar{x}) \leftrightarrow q(\bar{x})}{C(p(\bar{x})) \leftrightarrow C(q(\bar{x}))}$
$(MP)$	$P \wedge (P \rightarrow Q) \rightarrow Q$	$(Wl)$	$\frac{\Gamma \vdash \Delta}{\Gamma, \phi \vdash \Delta}$	$(GVR)$	$\frac{\Gamma_{const} \vdash P, \Delta_{const}}{\Gamma \vdash [a]P, \Delta}$
$([\cdot] \rightarrow \langle \cdot \rangle)$	$\langle a \rangle \top \rightarrow ([a]P \rightarrow \langle a \rangle P)$				
$([\cdot] \wedge)$	$[a](P \wedge Q) \leftrightarrow [a]P \wedge [a]Q$				
$(\forall i)$	$(\forall x p(x)) \rightarrow p(e)$				
$(DR) \quad [x' = f(x) \& q(x)]r(x) \rightarrow ([x' = f(x) \& r(x)]p(x) \rightarrow [x' = f(x) \& q(x)]p(x))$					
$(DG) \quad [x' = f(x) \& q(x)]p(x) \leftrightarrow \forall y [x' = f(x), y' = a(x)y + b(x) \& q(x)]p(x)$					

Fig. 16 Proof Rules, see [35]

the tactic checks each differential equation individually and drops the ones in  $y' = \eta$  one by one, by introducing a universal quantifier ( $\forall i$ ) for the respective  $y$  and applying the differential ghost axiom<sup>3</sup> in the unusual inverse direction (**DG**). This step-by-step removal is necessary until vectorial  $x' = \theta$  are introduced into KeYmaera X.

	$*$
<b>id</b>	$\frac{}{[x' = \theta \& H]A \vdash [x' = \theta \& H]A}$
<b>DG</b>	$\frac{}{[x' = \theta \& H]A \vdash \forall y [x' = \theta, y' = \eta \& H]A}$
<b><math>\forall i</math></b>	$\frac{}{[x' = \theta \& H]A \vdash [x' = \theta, y' = \eta \& H]A}$
<b>DR</b>	$\frac{}{[x' = \theta \& H]A \vdash [x' = \theta, y' = \eta \& H \wedge Q]A}$

The DR axiom requires the verification of an additional side condition

$$\vdash [x' = \theta, y' = \eta \& H \wedge Q]H$$

which closes immediately, since  $H$  holds throughout the continuous evolution and thus also after the evolution has stopped.  $\square$

**Proof of Lemma 4.** The proof rule **GVR** abstracts a hybrid program by universally quantifying all bound variables.

<sup>3</sup> Axiom **DG** is usually used to augment an ODE for the sake of proving invariants with additional differential equations whose solutions exist long enough. We use it to drop differential equations.

	$*$
<b>id</b>	$\frac{}{A(x) \vdash A(x)}$
<b><math>\forall i</math></b>	$\frac{}{\forall x A(x) \vdash A(x)}$
<b>GVR</b>	$\frac{}{\forall x A(x) \vdash [\alpha]A(x)}$
<b><math>[:*]</math></b>	$\frac{}{[x := *]A(x) \vdash [\alpha]A(x)}$
<b><math>\rightarrow r</math></b>	$\frac{}{\vdash [x := *]A(x) \rightarrow [\alpha]A(x)}$

**Proof of Lemma 5.** We prove both directions of the equivalence independently.

$\dots$	$\textcircled{4}$	$\dots$	$\textcircled{5}$
$\wedge r$	$\frac{}{[\alpha]F \vdash ([\alpha; ?F]A \rightarrow [\alpha]A) \wedge ([\alpha]A \rightarrow [\alpha; ?F]A)}$		
$\leftrightarrow r$	$\frac{}{[\alpha]F \vdash [\alpha; ?F]A \leftrightarrow [\alpha]A}$		
$\rightarrow r$	$\frac{}{\vdash [\alpha]F \rightarrow ([\alpha; ?F]A \leftrightarrow [\alpha]A)}$		

The direction  $[\alpha; ?F]A \rightarrow [\alpha]A$  follows from **K**, monotonicity **M[]**, and modus ponens **MP**.

	$*$
<b>MP</b>	$\frac{}{F, F \rightarrow A \vdash A}$
$\rightarrow r$	$\frac{}{F \vdash (F \rightarrow A) \rightarrow A}$
<b>M[]</b>	$\frac{}{[\alpha]F \vdash [\alpha]((F \rightarrow A) \rightarrow A)}$
<b>K</b>	$\frac{}{[\alpha]F \vdash [\alpha](F \rightarrow A) \rightarrow [\alpha]A}$
<b>[?]</b>	$\frac{}{[\alpha]F \vdash [\alpha][?F]A \rightarrow [\alpha]A}$
<b>[:]</b>	$\frac{}{[\alpha]F \vdash [\alpha; ?F]A \rightarrow [\alpha]A}$
$\textcircled{4}$ continued	

The direction  $[\alpha]A \rightarrow [\alpha; ?F]A$  takes similar steps.

**Fig. 17** Proof steps: Verify induction base case

$$\begin{array}{c}
\frac{(40) \frac{*}{t = t^-, \phi_1 \vdash \varphi_1} \quad \text{W1} \frac{t = t^-, \phi_1, \phi_2, \zeta \vdash \varphi_1}{t = t^-, \phi_1, \phi_2, \zeta \vdash \varphi_1}}{\wedge l, \wedge r} \quad \frac{(40) \frac{*}{t = t^-, \phi_2 \vdash \varphi_2} \quad \text{W1} \frac{t = t^-, \phi_1, \phi_2, \zeta \vdash \varphi_2}{t = t^-, \phi_1, \phi_2, \zeta \vdash \varphi_2}}{\wedge l, \wedge r} \quad \frac{\text{id} \frac{*}{\zeta \vdash \zeta}}{\wedge l, \wedge r} \\
\frac{\text{def} \frac{t = t^- \wedge \phi_1 \wedge \phi_2 \wedge \zeta \vdash \varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2 \wedge \zeta}{t = t^- \wedge \phi_3 \vdash \varphi_3}}{\text{Base case Fig. 9 continued}}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
\frac{(42) \frac{*}{\varphi_1 \vdash \psi_1^{safe} \wedge \Pi_1^{out}} \quad \text{W1} \frac{\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \zeta \vdash \psi_1^{safe} \wedge \Pi_1^{out}}{\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \zeta \vdash \psi_1^{safe} \wedge \Pi_1^{out}}}{\wedge r} \quad \frac{(42) \frac{*}{\varphi_2 \vdash \psi_2^{safe} \wedge \Pi_2^{out}} \quad \text{W1} \frac{\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \zeta \vdash \psi_2^{safe} \wedge \Pi_2^{out}}{\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \zeta \vdash \psi_2^{safe} \wedge \Pi_2^{out}}}{\wedge r} \\
\frac{\wedge l \frac{\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \zeta \vdash (\psi_1^{safe} \wedge \Pi_1^{out}) \wedge (\psi_2^{safe} \wedge \Pi_2^{out})}{\varphi_1 \wedge \varphi_2 \wedge \zeta \vdash (\psi_1^{safe} \wedge \Pi_1^{out}) \wedge (\psi_2^{safe} \wedge \Pi_2^{out})}}{\wedge l} \\
\frac{\text{def} \frac{\varphi_3 \vdash (\psi_3^{safe} \wedge \Pi_3^{out})}{\varphi_3 \vdash (\psi_3^{safe} \wedge \Pi_3^{out})}}{\text{Use case Fig. 9 continued}}
\end{array}$$

**Fig. 18** Proof steps: Verify induction use case

$$\begin{array}{c}
\frac{\text{id} \frac{*}{F, A \vdash A}}{\rightarrow r} \quad \frac{\rightarrow r \frac{F \vdash A \rightarrow (F \rightarrow A)}{F \vdash A \rightarrow (F \rightarrow A)}}{\rightarrow r} \\
\frac{\text{M}[\alpha] \frac{[\alpha] F \vdash [\alpha] (A \rightarrow (F \rightarrow A))}{[\alpha] F \vdash [\alpha] A \rightarrow [\alpha] (F \rightarrow A)}}{\rightarrow r} \\
\frac{\text{K} \frac{[\alpha] F \vdash [\alpha] A \rightarrow [\alpha] (F \rightarrow A)}{[\alpha] F \vdash [\alpha] A \rightarrow [\alpha] [?F] A}}{\rightarrow r} \\
\frac{[?] \frac{[\alpha] F \vdash [\alpha] A \rightarrow [\alpha] [?F] A}{[\alpha] F \vdash [\alpha] A \rightarrow [\alpha; ?F] A}}{\rightarrow r} \\
\frac{[?] \frac{[\alpha] F \vdash [\alpha] A \rightarrow [\alpha; ?F] A}{\text{⑤ continued}}}{\rightarrow r}
\end{array}$$

**Proof of Lemma 6.** The lemma is verified as a derived axiom in KeYmaera X. Since the formulas  $F$ ,  $G$  and  $A$ , and the program constant  $\alpha$  are not restricted to specific variables, the tactic simplifies to propositional transitivity.

$$\begin{array}{c}
\frac{*}{F \rightarrow G, G \rightarrow A \vdash F \rightarrow A} \\
\frac{[?] \frac{F \rightarrow G, [?G] A \vdash [?F] A}{(F \rightarrow G) \wedge [?G] A \vdash [?F] A}}{\wedge l} \\
\frac{\wedge l \frac{(F \rightarrow G) \wedge [?G] A \vdash [?F] A}{\vdash ((F \rightarrow G) \wedge [?G] A) \rightarrow [?F] A}}{\rightarrow r}
\end{array}$$

## D: Corollaries for implementation purposes

For tactic implementation purposes, the following corollaries to Lemma 1 and Lemma 6 are useful since they are implementable as derived axioms in KeYmaera X and therefore faster to use than their more general tactics counterparts.

**Corollary 1 (Reorder Specific Programs)** Let  $x, y$  be variables,  $s, t$  be terms not mentioning  $x, y$ , and  $F, G$  be dL formulas,  $A(x, y)$  a dL formula that is allowed to mention

$x, y$  free, and  $p$  be a dL formula not mentioning  $x, y$  free. Then, the following formulas are valid:

$$[x := s; y := t]A(x, y) \leftrightarrow [y := t; x := s]A(x, y) \quad (43)$$

$$[x := *; y := *]A(x, y) \leftrightarrow [y := *; x := *]A(x, y) \quad (44)$$

$$[x := *; y := t]A(x, y) \leftrightarrow [y := t; x := *]A(x, y) \quad (45)$$

$$[x := *; ?p]A(x) \leftrightarrow [?p; x := *]A(x) \quad (46)$$

$$[x := s; ?p]A(x) \leftrightarrow [?p; x := s]A(x) \quad (47)$$

$$[?F; ?G]A \leftrightarrow [?G; ?F]A \quad (48)$$

**Proof** These formulas can be proved as derived axioms in KeYmaera X. For instance, (43) below is proved using the tactic below:

$$\begin{array}{c}
\frac{*}{A(s, t) \vdash A(s, t)} \\
\frac{[!]; [=]; [=] \frac{A(s, t) \vdash A(s, t)}{[x := s; y := t]A(x, y) \vdash [y := t; x := s]A(x, y)}}{\rightarrow r} \vdash (43)
\end{array}$$

The tactics for all other formulas work accordingly, i.e., perform all assignments, tests and nondeterministic assignments with according instantiations of the resulting all-quantifiers.  $\square$

**Corollary 2 (Weaken Test in Context)** Let  $A, F$  and  $G$  be arbitrary dL formulas and let  $\alpha$  be an arbitrary program. Then this is valid:

$$\left( ([\alpha][?G]A) \wedge ([\alpha](F \rightarrow G)) \right) \rightarrow [\alpha][?F]A \quad (49)$$

Corollary 2 is a consequence of Lemma 6 and allows weakening of a test preceded by an arbitrary program.

**Proof** To verify Corollary 2 as derived axioms in KeYmaera X, the tactic uses  $[!]\wedge$  in the inverse direction followed by  $\text{M}[\alpha]$  to remove the enclosing program  $\alpha$ , which then allows application of Lemma 6.

$$\begin{array}{c}
\frac{*}{([\alpha][?G]A) \wedge ([\alpha](F \rightarrow G)) \vdash [\alpha][?F]A} \\
\frac{\text{L. 6} \frac{([\alpha][?G]A) \wedge ([\alpha](F \rightarrow G)) \vdash [\alpha][?F]A}{[\alpha]([\alpha][?G]A \wedge ([\alpha](F \rightarrow G))) \vdash [\alpha][?F]A}}{\text{M}[\alpha]} \\
\frac{[\alpha][[\alpha][?G]A \wedge ([\alpha](F \rightarrow G))] \vdash [\alpha][?F]A}{\rightarrow r} \vdash (49)
\end{array}$$

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