

Implementing the Interval Picard Operator

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The Goal: Verifiable validated ODE solver

- How much can we trust validated ODE solvers?
 - Have rounding errors been correctly accounted for throughout?
 - Does the implementation agree with the theory?
- Simpler method → easier to check/verify correctness
- Which known validated ODE solving method is the simplest?
 - probably the **interval Picard operator** (Edalat & Pattinson 2007)

The Goal: Verifiable validated ODE solver

Interval Picard vs solvers such as VNODE and COSY

- in our current implementation, interval Picard is considerably slower
← but there is a lot of scope for optimization
- interval Picard does not need derivatives of the field
→ it can naturally deal with non-smooth fields
- interval Picard is considerably simpler
→ it is easier to prove/check its correctness and convergence

Tool 1: Interval Picard operator

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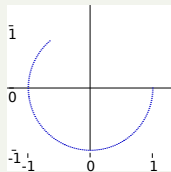
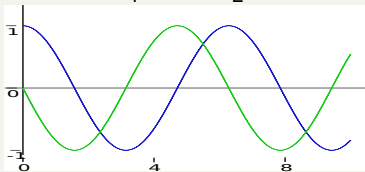
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Example ODE

A spring mass with **exact** initial value

$$\mathbf{y}' = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y}), \mathbf{y}(0) = \mathbf{a}$$

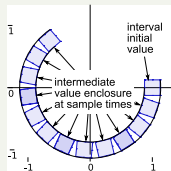
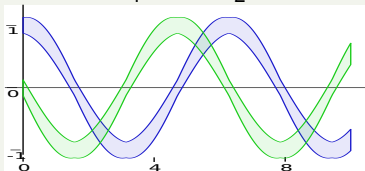
example: $y_1' = y_2, y_2' = -y_1, y_1(0) = 1, y_2(0) = 0$



A spring mass ODE IVP with **interval** initial values

$$\mathbf{y}' = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{y}), \mathbf{y}(0) \in \mathbf{A}$$

example: $y_1' = y_2, y_2' = -y_1, \mathbf{y}(0) \in [1, 0] \pm 0.125$



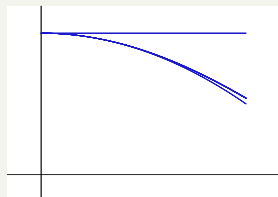
The ODE solving method

Iterating **classical** Picard operator

$$P(\mathbf{x}) = \lambda t. \left(\mathbf{a} + \int_0^t \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}(s)) ds \right)$$

$$\mathbf{x}_0, P(\mathbf{x}_0), P(P(\mathbf{x}_0)), \dots$$

$$\mathbf{x}_0 = \lambda t. \mathbf{a} \text{ (any function OK)}$$

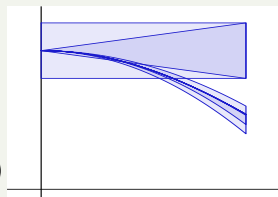


Iterating **interval** Picard operator

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$$\mathbf{X}_0 = \lambda t. \mathbf{a} \pm 0.2 \text{ (or any function with } \mathbf{a} \pm \varepsilon \subseteq \mathbf{X}_0(0) \text{)}$$



Demonstration of bin/plotPicard springmass-exact-initval-classical 1 10 200 12 0
 Demonstration of bin/plotPicard springmass-exact-initval-naive 1 10 200 7 0

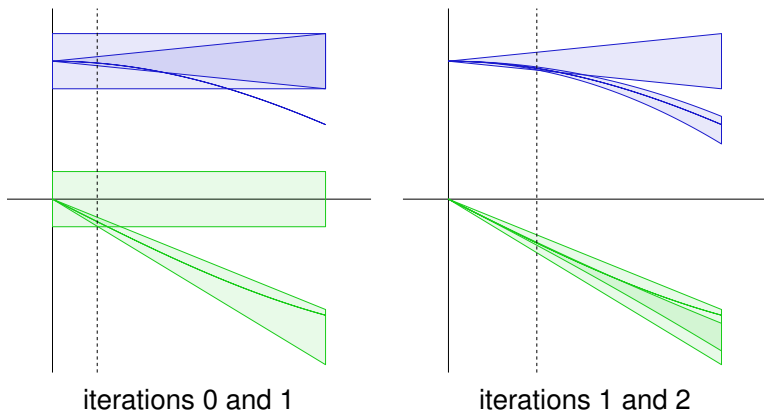
Convergence

Interval Picard Theorem [Edalat & Pattinson 2007]

- Assuming:
 - F is an interval extension of f
 - F is Lipschitz (i. e., $\exists L \in \mathbb{R}. \forall B \in \mathbb{I}^n. w(F(B)) \leq L \cdot w(B)$)
 - F is Scott-continuous, i. e.,
 - inclusion isotone (i. e., $B \subseteq C \implies F(B) \subseteq F(C)$)
 - preserving limits of directed interval sets
 - $P(Y_0) \subseteq Y_0$
- Then it holds:
 - $Y_0 \supseteq P(Y_0) \supseteq P(P(Y_0)) \supseteq \dots$
 - $\bigcap_{i=0}^{\infty} P^i(Y_0)$ is the unique solution of $y' = f(y), y(0) = a$

Initial enclosure

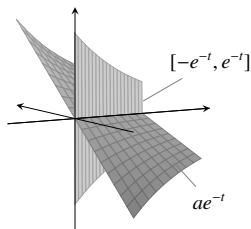
Iterating P tends to increase the region where $P(\mathbf{Y}) \subseteq \mathbf{Y}$:



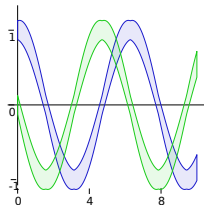
in (probably unlikely) pathological cases the region may fail to increase
 → then need to revert to exponential widening

Convergence for flow

- ODE IVP with a set of initial values
 - parametrize the set by n variables
 - parametrized interval Picard operator ($n + 1$ variables)
 - iteratively compute enclosure of the flow
(i. e., an interval function of $n + 1$ variables)



$$y' = -y, y(0) = a \in A$$



graph of a ternary function
projected from 4D to 2D

Implementation using function arithmetic 1/3

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enclosure =
  stopWhenAccurateEnough -- ignore enclosures that are too wide
    (waitUntilEnclosureHolds -- ignore  $Y_0, Y_1, Y_2, \dots$  until  $Y_i \supseteq Y_{i+1}$ 
      intervalPicardIterations)
  where
    intervalPicardIterations =
      iterate (picardOp limits field initValsFns) initApprox
    initApprox = --  $Y_0(t) = \mathbf{y}(0) \pm \delta$ 
      map (+| initialWideningInterval) initValsFns
    initValsFns = --  $\mathbf{y}(0)$  as a constant function
      map initValConstant initValues
      where
        initValConstant initVal =
          newConstFn limits [(tVar, tSegment)] initVal

picardOp limits field y0 yPrev = --  $P(f, \mathbf{y}_0, \mathbf{y}_k) = \dots$ 
  zipWith picardOneFn y0 (field yPrev) -- do it component-wise
  where
    picardOneFn y0_i xd_i = y0_i + primitFn xd_i --  $y_{0,i} + \int f_i(\mathbf{y}_k) dt$ 
    primitFn xd = primitiveFunctionOut xd tVar

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Implementation using function arithmetic 2/3

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Implementation using function arithmetic 3/3

- Updated for interval initial values:

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enclosure = function arithmetic operations
  ...
  initApprox = --  $Y_0(t, \mathbf{x} \in Y(0)) = \mathbf{x} \pm \delta$ 
    map (+| initialWideningInterval) initValsFns
  initValsFns = -- a vector of projections, eg  $[(t, x_1, x_2) \mapsto x_1, (t, x_1, x_2) \mapsto x_2]$ 
    map initValProjection paramVars
  where
    initValProjection paramVar =
      newProjection limits varDomsTAndParams paramVar
    varDomsTAndParams =
      (tVar, tSegment) : zip paramVars initValues
  
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Requirements on the function arithmetic

- Function Interval Arithmetic (FIA)
- operations required by the interval Picard method:
 - constant functions over a given domain
 - functions that return the value of one of the domain variables (e. g., $(t, x_1, x_2) \mapsto x_1$)
 - pointwise $+$ etc (including whatever the field requires)
 - shifting by a constant — using mixed-type addition $+$
 - primitive function (integration)
 - partially decide an inclusion $[f_1, g_1] \subseteq [f_2, g_2]$
 - measure the accuracy (i. e., width) of a function interval $[f, g]$

Tool 2: Polynomial Interval Arithmetic

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Tool 2: Polynomial Interval Arithmetic

- $[f, g]$ where f and g are (multi-variate) polynomials
 - either two independent polynomials (accurate & flexible)
 - or single polynomial with interval coefficients (much faster)
- similar to Taylor Models (Berz & Makino 1998)
- implementing all FIA operations
- “rounding” to use constant space, bounds on:
 - polynomial degree
 - number of terms
 - significands of coefficients
- Here using AERN — own Haskell library that provides PIA



Reliability — FIA specification (1/2)

- FIA ops have *outer*- and *inner*-rounded versions (e. g., $\langle + \rangle$ and $\rangle + \langle$)
- AERN provides specification of rounded Kaucher interval arithmetic

property name	approx. properties	exact property
additive unit	$a \langle - \rangle a \sqsubseteq 0$ $a \rangle - \langle a \sqsupseteq 0$	$a - a = 0$
distributive law	a, b, c consistent \implies $(a \langle * \rangle b) \langle + \rangle (a \langle * \rangle c)$ $\sqsubseteq a \rangle * \langle (b \rangle + \langle c)$	$ab + ac$ $= a(b + c)$ etc.

- approximate properties \rightarrow exact property (with increasing effort)
- There are over 100 such properties.

Reliability — FIA specification (2/2)

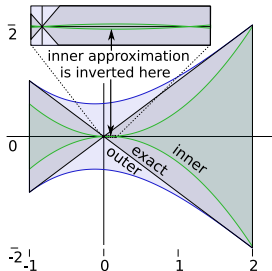
- Specification of FIA:

property name	approx. properties	exact property
function addition	$\langle (f \langle + \rangle g)(a) \rangle$ $\sqsubseteq \langle f(a) \rangle \langle + \rangle \langle g(a) \rangle$	$(f + g)(a)$ $= f(a) + g(a)$

etc.

- implementation of full specification is in progress
- function intervals can mix consistent and inverted intervals:

$$x \cdot [-1, 1]$$



Reliability — Testing the specification

- these properties are tested on many randomly generated samples
- the random distribution is carefully designed to cover
 - all logical cases
 - special values

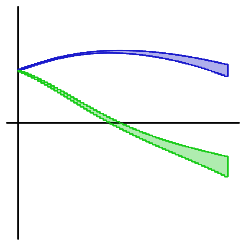
Efficiency

- Currently not optimized at all, keeping it simple, *e. g.*:
 - currently using tree maps to represent sparse polynomials
 - currently using power basis instead of Chebyshev basis
- Future work: optimize against a set of benchmarks

Efficiency — Impact of polynomial degree

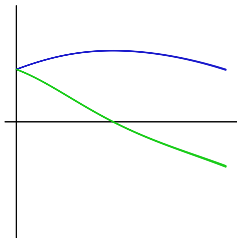
van der Pol, up to $t = 1.5$:

- degree 0, 64 steps



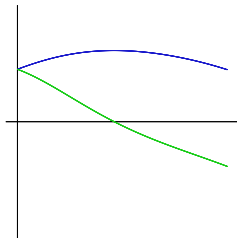
- precision ~ 1
- computation time $\sim 1\text{s}$

- degree 0, 1024 steps



- precision $\sim 10^{-2}$
- computation time $\sim 12\text{s}$

- degree 5, 16 steps:

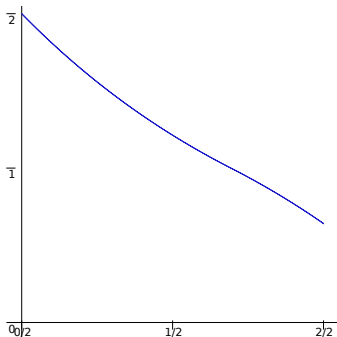


- precision $\sim 10^{-5}$
- computation time $\sim 5\text{s}$

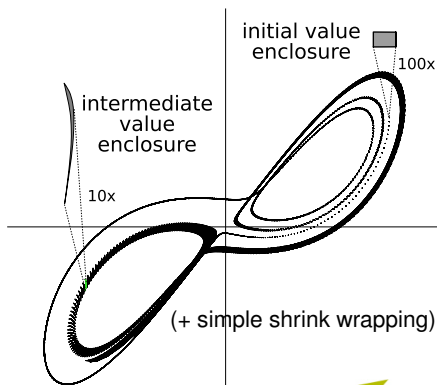
How far can interval Picard go? (1/2)

- Naturally applies to non-smooth systems, *e. g.*

$$y' = -|y - 1| - 1, y(0) = 2$$



- Can deal with chaotic systems of low dimension, *e. g.*, Lorenz system with a small initial value uncertainty



Conclusion

Summary

- Interval Picard ODE solving method
 - is general, simple and easy to verify
 - can enclose ODE flows (by parametrizing the initial value set)
 - can be implemented using (bounded size) polynomial arithmetic
 - can construct a fairly good initial solution enclosure

Future work

- Produce a formally verified implementation
- Analyze complexity, conduct more performance experiments
- Combine with other ODE solving methods
- Adapt for other classes of differential equation problems

Thank you for listening!