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SaTool

A Tool for Structural Analysis of Automated Systems

An introduction to the use of SaTool

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Introduction

- Why structural analysis
- Answers the questions:
 - Is the system controllable
 - Can faults in the system be identified
 - Can the system handle faults smartly
 - Reconfiguration
 - Shutdown
 - Graceful degradation
- How
 - Analysis of the structure graph of the system

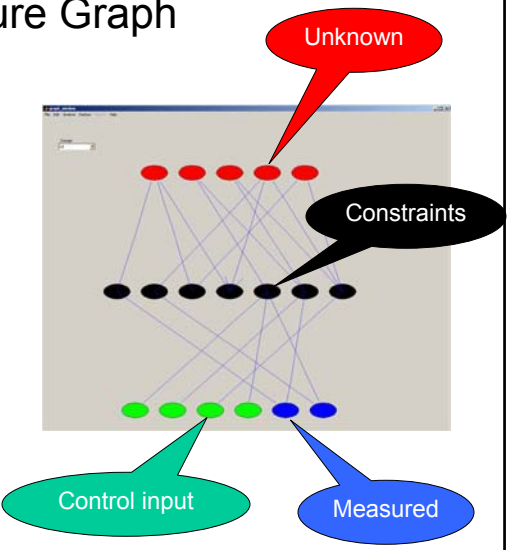
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Structure Graph

Structural analysis

A graph-based technique where principal relations between variables express the system's properties. Measured and controlled quantities in the system are related to variables through functional relations, which need not be explicitly stated. The user specifies a list of these relations that together describe the functionality of the system considered. A list of such variables and functional relations constitute the system's structure graph.



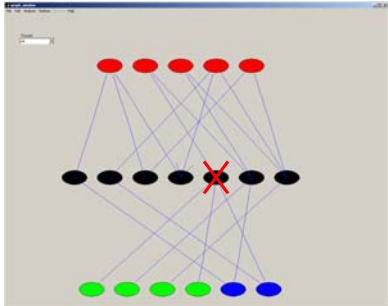
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A Fault is a Violation of a Constraint

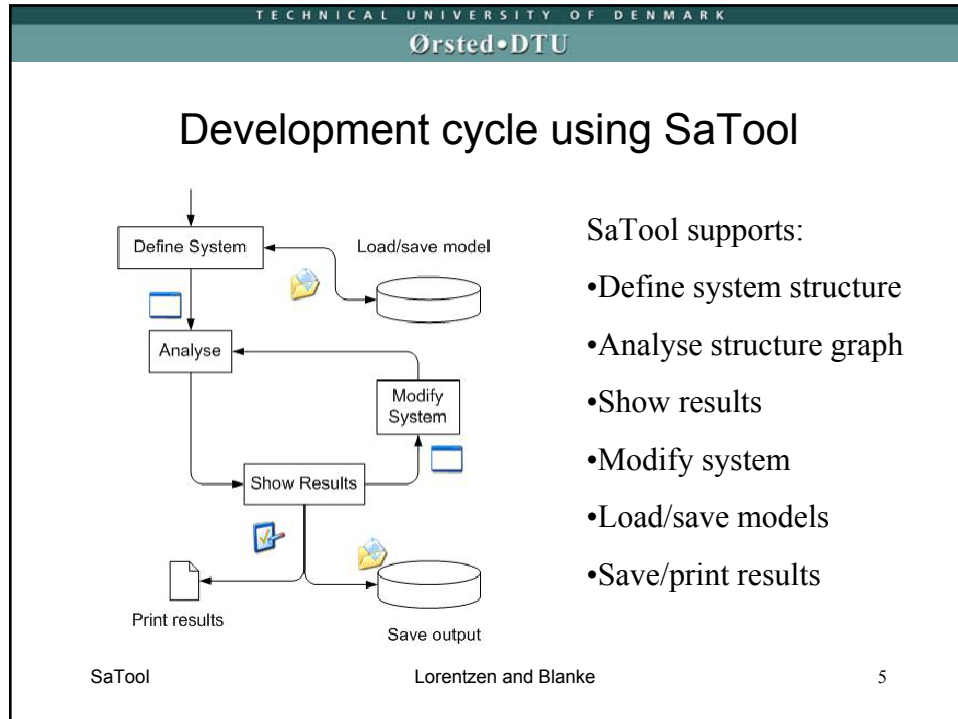
Faults

Normal operation means all functional relations are intact for the system. Should faults occur, one or more functional relations cease to be valid. In the structure graph, one or more nodes of the graph will disappear when a fault occurs.



SaTool is an implementation of structural analysis theory. It will analyze a structure graph and provide knowledge about fundamental properties of the system in normal and faulty conditions.

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SaTool supports:

- Define system structure
- Analyse structure graph
- Show results
- Modify system
- Load/save models
- Save/print results

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SaTool – A tool for Structural Analysis

Features

- Matlab® based (version 6.5 or later)
- Graphical representation of structure as a graph
- Easy point and click manipulation of system structure
- Matching by ranking
- Backtracing
 - Recursive algorithm

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Installation and startup

Prerequisites:

- SaTool, requires Matlab ® version 6.5 or later.

Installation:

- Unzip the SaTool.zip file
- Place the files in a folder eg. c:\my matlab\satool
- Add the folder to the MatLab path, in MatLab type:
 - `addpath('c:\my matlab\satool')`

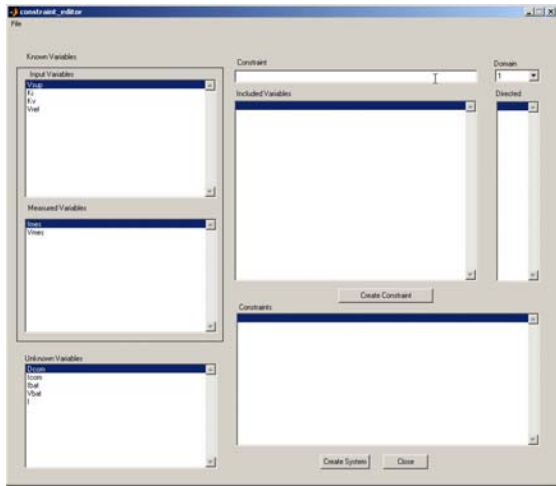
Startup:

- type `constraint_editor` to start the program

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The Constraint Editor

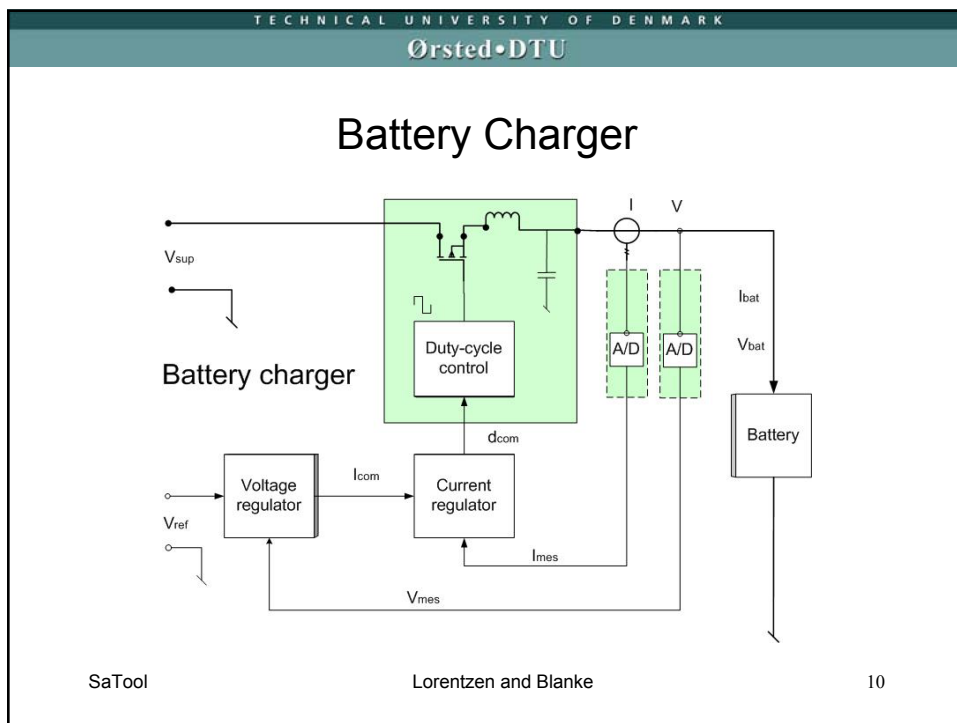


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Example

Battery Charger



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Identify Variables

d power stage duty cycle
 d_{com} duty cycle command
 I output current
 I_{bat} battery charge current
 I_{com} command to current control block
 I_{mes} measured output current
 k_i gain in current control block
 k_v gain in voltage control block

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Identify Variables (2)

R_{bat} equivalent battery resistance
 V_{bat} battery voltage
 V_{mes} measured output voltage
 V_{ref} reference voltage to voltage control block
 V_{sup} supply voltage

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Identify Constraints

Constraints:

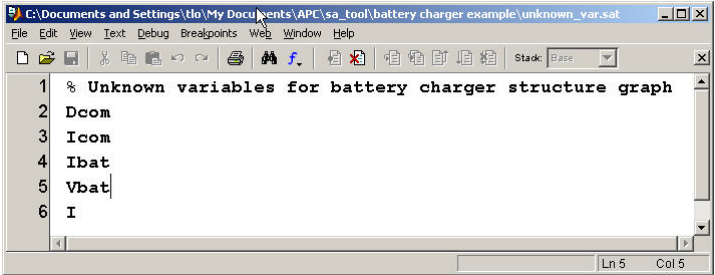
<i>Cpsmc</i>	Power stage current:	$I = d * \max(V_{\text{sup}} - V_{\text{bat}}, 0)$
<i>Ccc</i>	Current control:	$d = f_i(I_{\text{com}} - I_{\text{mes}}, t) \approx k_i(I_{\text{com}} - I_{\text{mes}})$
<i>Cvc</i>	Voltage control:	$I_{\text{com}} = f_v(V_{\text{ref}} - V_{\text{mes}}, t) \approx k_v(V_{\text{ref}} - V_{\text{mes}})$
<i>Ccm</i>	Current measurement:	$I_{\text{mes}} = I$
<i>Cvm</i>	Voltage measurement:	$V_{\text{mes}} = V_{\text{bat}}$
<i>Ch</i>	Harness:	$I_{\text{bat}} = I$
<i>Cd</i>	Power stage:	$d = d_{\text{com}}$
<i>Dbv</i>	Battery voltage:	$\frac{d}{dt} V_{\text{bat}} = R_{\text{bat}}(V, I) I_{\text{bat}}(t),$ $R_{\text{bat}}(V, I) = \text{known}$

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Load variables

- Create a text file with variable names
 - One for each type of variable
 - Save the files as eg. 'unknown_var.sat'

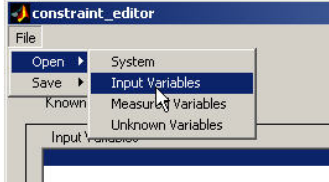


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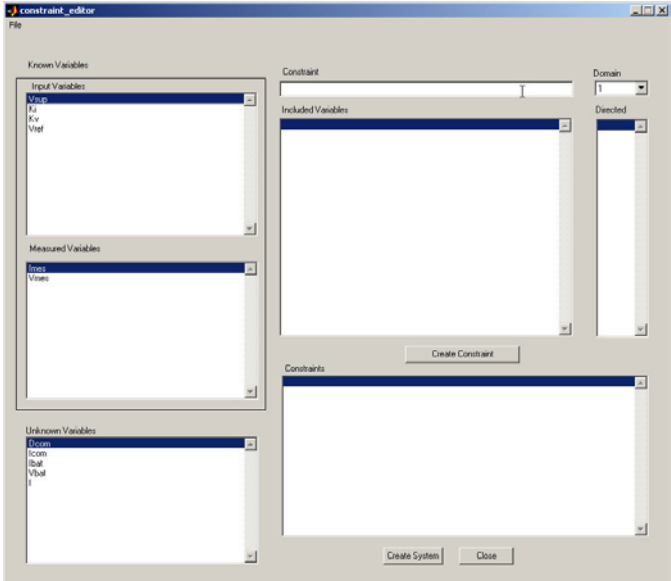
Loading variables (2)

- Start the constraint editor with input parameters:
 - type “constraint_editor('file1','file2','file3')”
 - Then the variables are loaded from start
- Start the constraint editor without input parameters:
 - type “constraint_editor”
 - load the variables using the file menu



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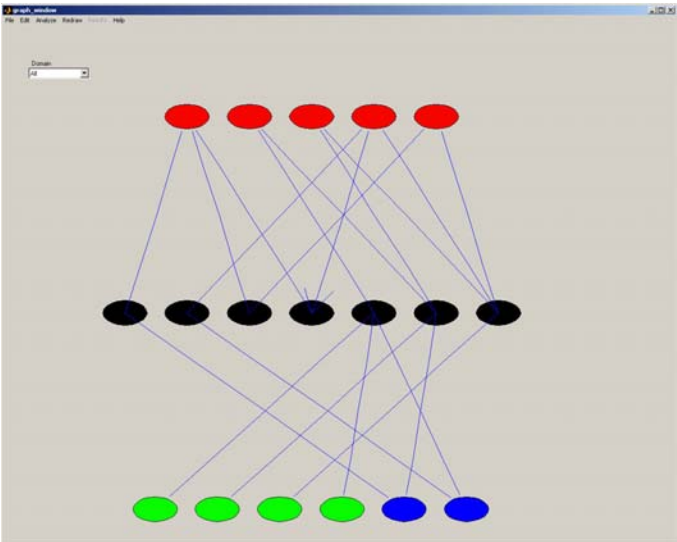
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Create the structure model

- Create a constraint by:
 - Select variables
 - Set variables as directed if necessary
 - Give the constraint a name
 - Set the domain
 - Press **Create Constraint**
- Repeat until all constraints are generated
- Press **Create System**

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Colors on the graph

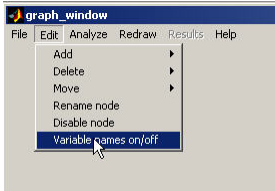
- **RED:** Unknown Variables
- **BLACK:** Constraints
- **GREEN:** Input Variables
- **BLUE:** Measured Variables

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Variable names on/off

- Select **Edit -> Variable Names on/off**



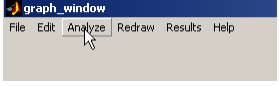
The screenshot shows a window titled 'graph_window' with a menu bar containing 'File', 'Edit', 'Analyze', 'Redraw', 'Results', and 'Help'. The 'Edit' menu is open, displaying options: 'Add', 'Delete', 'Move', 'Rename node', 'Disable node', and 'Variable names on/off'. The 'Variable names on/off' option is highlighted with a mouse cursor.

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Performing the analysis

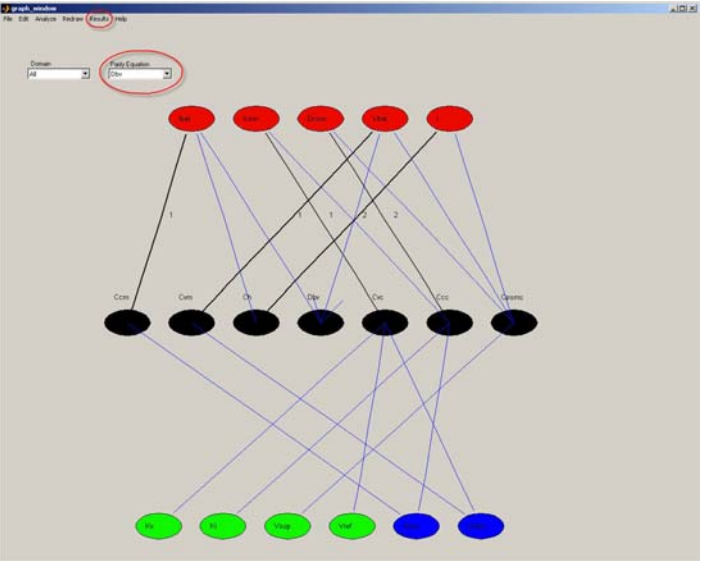
- In the menu press **Analyze**



- The matching is marked on the graph
- The **Results** menu point is activated
- A drop down menu called **Parity Equation** appears

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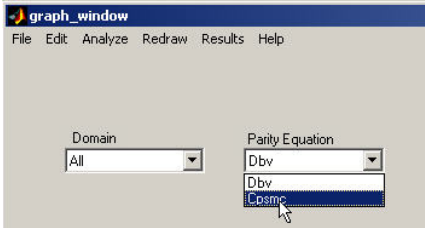


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View the results (1)

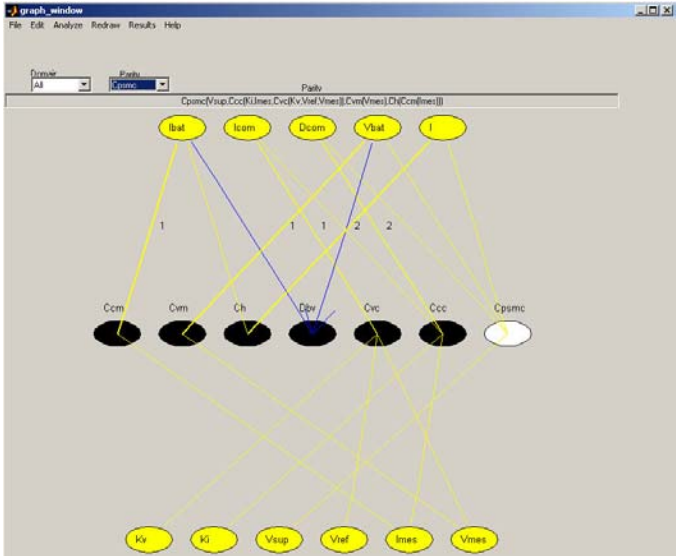
- Select a parity equation from the dropdown menu



- Result
 - Parity Relation
 - Included variables yellow

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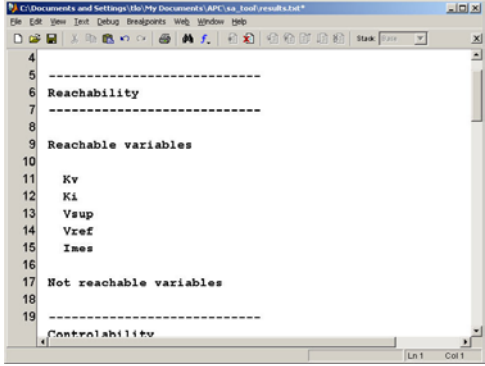


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Viewing the results

- Press **Results**:
 - The matlab editor opens and shows the results in a text file



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Results

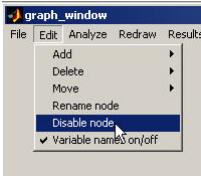
- Reachability
 - Can I reach the unknown variables from the known variables
 - Requirement for observability
- Controllability
 - Can I reach the unknown variables from the input variables
- Parity relations
 - Which relations exists
- Detectability
 - Which faults can be detected with the found parity relations
- Isolability
 - Which faults can be isolated with the found parity relations

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Investigate the effect of a structural fault

- Faults can be modeled by disabling nodes
 - Select **Disable Node** from the edit menu

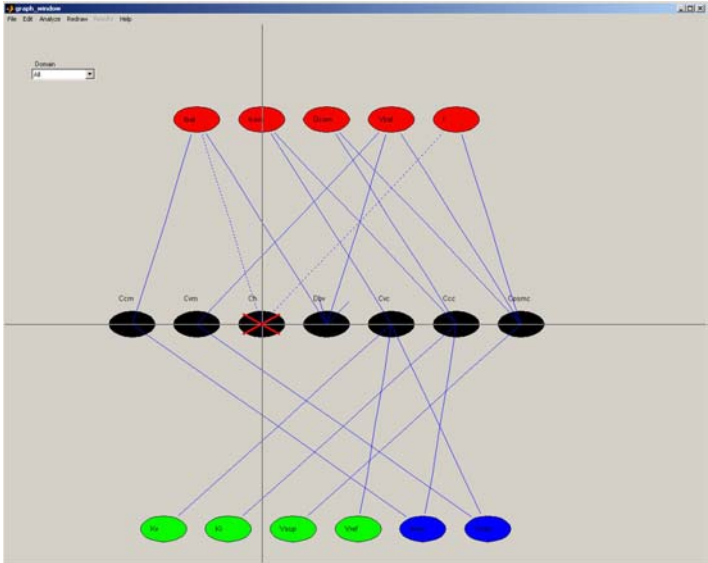


- Click on a node to disable it
- Perform a new analysis

- The result shows if the system can be reconfigured in case of faults

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Effect of fault

- Rerun the analysis
- Investigate the new result
 - Can the system still be matched
 - Is there any parity relations
 - Is the system still
 - Controllable
 - Reachable
 - Are faults still
 - Detectable
 - Isolable

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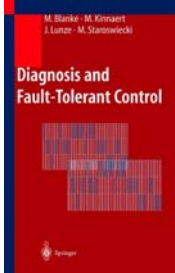
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A digested description with recent amendments is found in the book:

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