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Special track

## rCPS: Robustness in Cyber-Physical Systems

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Cyber-physical systems (CPS) are an indispensable part of our lives and validating their behavior, especially when they are used in safety critical systems (e.g. avionics, self-driving cars, smart grids, etc.), is of utmost importance. Most often we use ordinary differential equations to model behavior of physical systems. But, it is known for more than 50 years that "the rate of change of physical systems depends not only on their present state, but also on their past history". Therefore, our models often do not represent the behavior of physical systems is undecidable. Unfortunately, this is not the end. Even if we can verify safety of a model, it is often the case that the controllers part of the model cannot be implemented; this fact that is true even for many models expressed using time automata.

Robustness has been shown to be an invaluable remedy for these problems. For example, robustness is used to prove relative completeness in CEGAR algorithms, it is used to provide an NP complete algorithm for a very large subclass of the first order theory of ordered reals with addition, multiplication, trigonometric, and exponential functions, it is used to show implementability of models given in timed automata, it is used in monitoring signal temporal logic, it is used in statistical verification of stochastic systems, and more.

Research contributions can report new results as well as experimental evaluations and comparisons of existing techniques.

The issue should relate to any of the following topics, but not limited to:

- Mathematical foundation of robustness;
- Robust validation of cyber-physical systems;
- Testing robust cyber-physical systems;
- Techniques for robust modeling and synthesizing;
- Robustly monitoring dynamical systems;
- Robust verification of metric and signal temporal logic;
- Robust statistical methods;
- Implementability of robust cyber-physical models;

- Robustness in security and privacy of cyber-physical systems;
- Abstraction and Robustness;
- Software tools that take leverage of robustness assumptions.

#### **Important Deadlines**

- Inform the Chair (see Contacts below): as soon as you decide to contribute
- Submission: June 28 September 5
- Notification: July 28 September 20
- Registration: August 11 September 30
- Camera ready: August 22 September 30

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