

Fault diagnosis for Takagi-Sugeno nonlinear systems

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Abstract: This paper addresses a new scheme for fault diagnosis in nonlinear systems described by Takagi-Sugeno multiple models. Two cases are considered, the first one concerns the T-S models with known premise variables (the input or the output of the system). For the second case it is supposed that the weighting functions depend on unmeasurable premise variables (state of the system). The approach is based on the design of observer-based residual generator by minimization of the disturbances effect and maximizing the effects of the faults. The synthesis is based on the \mathcal{L}_2 formalism developed for linear systems. The convergence conditions are given in LMI formulation.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Linear models are largely studied and an important literature is devoted to this class of systems. Although they provide solutions for many problems, nonlinear behavior are often present in practical systems then reduce the domain of applicability and the performances of the tools developed for linear models. Indeed, a linear model only represents the behavior of the system around a local operating point. It is known that nonlinear systems are complex and difficult to study, so all the works on the nonlinear systems concern only specific classes, but there is no a general framework like for linear systems. One of the more interesting classes of nonlinear systems is the Takagi-Sugeno (TS) multiple model form which was introduced in Takagi and Sugeno [1985]. It is proved in Tanaka and Wang [2001] that often nonlinear behaviors can be represented exactly or approximated by TS multiple models. The main advantage of these models is the ability to extend the tools designed in the linear system framework. Indeed, many topics of control are extended to TS systems, such as stability and stabilization in Tanaka et al. [1998], Guerra et al. [2006], Chadli et al. [2002], observers and state estimation in Akhenak et al. [2007], Bergsten et al. [2002].

Due to an increasing demand for higher performances, as well as for higher safety and reliability, the model-based approaches to fault diagnosis for dynamic systems have received more attention these last years Patton et al. [1989], Chen and Zhang [1991], Chen et al. [1996], Ding and Frank [1989], Marx et al. [2003]. Concerning the TS fuzzy systems few efforts have been made in fault detection and isolation. Nevertheless we can cite the method based on observers in Akhenak et al. [2007], Marx et al. [2007].

In this paper an observer-based approach is developed for robust residual generator and diagnosis which minimizes the sensitivity to the disturbances and maximizes the sensitivity to the faults. Two cases are studied. The first case concerns the T-S systems with measurable premise variables and the second one deals with the systems with unmeasurable premise variables. The paper is organized as follows, section 2 gives some

notations and states the problem. Robust residual generation is tackled in section 3. An LMI-based design of the residual generator is proposed. The proposed observers are used for RFD in section 4 and before concluding, a numerical example is given.

2. PROBLEM STATEMENT

Consider the following continuous-time TS nonlinear system subject to faults $f(t)$ and disturbances $d(t)$ given by

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^r \mu_i(\xi(t)) (A_i x(t) + B_i u(t) + E_i d(t) + F_i f(t)) \\ y(t) = \sum_{i=1}^r \mu_i(\xi(t)) (C_i x(t) + D_i u(t) + G_i d(t) + R_i f(t)) \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where $A_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, $B_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n_u}$, $C_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n_y \times n}$, $D_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n_y \times n_u}$, $E_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n_d}$, $F_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n_f}$, $G_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n_y \times n_d}$, and $R_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n_y \times n_f}$.

The weighing functions μ_i are nonlinear and depend on the decision variable $\xi(t)$ which can be measurable like $\{u(t), y(t)\}$ or not measurable like the state $x(t)$ of the system. The weighing functions satisfy the following properties:

$$\begin{cases} 0 \leq \mu_i(\xi(t)) \leq 1 \\ \sum_{i=1}^r \mu_i(\xi(t)) = 1 \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

Thus the structure of the multiple model is simple and is a universal approximator since it can represent any nonlinear behavior according to an adequate number r of the local models (chap 14 of Tanaka and Wang [2001]). The multiple model structure provides a mean to generalize the tools developed for linear systems to nonlinear systems due to the properties expressed in (2).

The input signals $u(t)$, $f(t)$ and $d(t)$ belong in \mathcal{L}_2 set. The \mathcal{L}_2 -

norm of $u(t) \in \mathcal{L}_2$ is given by $\|u\|_2 = \sqrt{\int_0^{+\infty} u^T u dt}$.

In the field of observer design and diagnosis of nonlinear systems using multiple model approach, Patton et al. [1998] proposed an observer-based method to generate residual generator and using an observer bank in order to achieve isolation, an application to DC motor is proposed. In Akhenak et al. [2007], a sliding mode observer for TS systems is proposed to detect and estimate actuator faults. In these works, the authors assumed that the weighting functions depend on measurable premise variables (input or output) of the system. It is clear that the choice of measurable premise variables offers a good simplicity to generalize the methods already developed for linear systems. But in the case where the premise variables are not measurable, the problem becomes very hard. However, this formalism is very important in both the exact representation of the nonlinear behavior by multiple model (see the simulation example) and in diagnosis method based on observer banks to detect and isolate actuator and/or sensor faults. Indeed in this case, the use of measurable premise variables requires to develop two different multiple models, but using multiple models with unmeasurable premise variables allows to develop only one model of the system behavior to detect and isolate both actuator and sensor faults using observer banks. In the literature, few works are devoted to the case of unmeasurable decision variables. Nevertheless, we can cite Bergsten et al. [2002], Palm and Bergsten [2000], where the authors proposed the fuzzy Thau-Luenberger observer which is an extension of the classical Luenberger observer. The main contribution of this paper is to propose a method for fault diagnosis of nonlinear systems described by TS models with measurable and unmeasurable premise variables using the standard H_∞ framework developed for linear systems.

3. RESIDUAL GENERATOR DESIGN

The residual generator design for nonlinear systems described by Takagi-Sugeno multiple model is addressed in this section. Two cases are studied, the first case deals with TS models where the decision variables are measurable and the second one concerns TS models with unmeasurable decision variables.

3.1 case 1: measurable premise variables

Let consider the TS nonlinear system subject to disturbances and sensor and actuator faults modeled in (1) An observer-based residual generator is proposed in the following form

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\hat{x}}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^r \mu_i(\xi)(A_i \hat{x}(t) + B_i u(t) + L_i(y(t) - \hat{y}(t))) \\ \hat{y}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^r \mu_i(\xi)(C_i \hat{x}(t) + D_i u(t)) \\ r(t) = M(y(t) - \hat{y}(t)) \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

where $\hat{x}(t) \in R^n$ is the estimated state vector and $r(t) \in R^{n_f}$ is the residual signal that is structured in order to be sensitive to the fault $f(t)$. The matrices $L_i \in R^{n \times n_y}$ and $M \in R^{n_f \times n_y}$ are the residual generator gains. The objective is to design the gains L_i and M in order to minimize the transfer from the disturbances $w(t)$ and to maximize the transfer of the faults $f(t)$ to the residual signal $r(t)$. Let define the state estimation error $e(t) = x(t) - \hat{x}(t)$. Its dynamic is deduced from (1) and (3) as follows

$$\begin{cases} \dot{e}(t) = A_\xi e(t) + E_\xi d(t) + F_\xi f(t) \\ r(t) = C_\xi e(t) + G_\xi d(t) + R_\xi f(t) \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A_\xi &= \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{k=1}^r \mu_i(\xi) \mu_k(\xi) (A_i - L_i C_k) \\ E_\xi &= \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{k=1}^r \mu_i(\xi) \mu_k(\xi) (E_i - L_i G_k) \\ F_\xi &= \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{k=1}^r \mu_i(\xi) \mu_k(\xi) (F_i - L_i R_k) \\ C_\xi &= \sum_{i=1}^r \mu_i(\xi) M C_i, G_\xi = \sum_{i=1}^r \mu_i(\xi) M G_i, \\ R_\xi &= \sum_{i=1}^r \mu_i(\xi) M R_i \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

For convenience, the system (4) can be written under the following compact form

$$r = G_{rd}d + G_{rf}f \quad (6)$$

where G_{rd} represents the transfer from the disturbances $d(t)$ to $r(t)$ and defined by

$$G_{rd} := \left(\frac{A_\xi}{MC_\xi} \middle| \frac{E_\xi}{G_\xi} \right) \quad (7)$$

and G_{rf} is the transfer from $f(t)$ to $r(t)$ which is defined by

$$G_{rf} = \left(\frac{A_\xi}{C_\xi} \middle| \frac{F_\xi}{R_\xi} \right) \quad (8)$$

In standard H_∞ framework (see figure 1), the maximization of

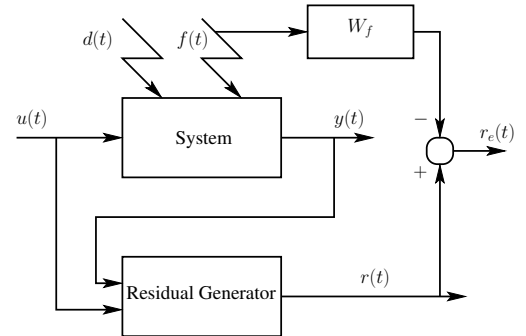


Fig. 1. Scheme of robust residual generation

the effect of the faults $f(t)$ on the residual $r(t)$ can be expressed as a minimization problem. Indeed, by introducing a weighting parameter W_f , the problem is reduced to a minimization of the effect of the faults on the residual error

$$r_e(t) = r(t) - W_f f(t) \quad (9)$$

As explained in Stoustrup and Niemann [2000] the FDI problem depends on the selected structure of the weight parameter W_f . Indeed, the fault estimation problem is obtained when $W_f = I$ and the detection problem is considered when $W_f \in R^{1 \times n_f}$. In addition, W_f can be chosen as a dynamic parameter. Consider the parameter W_f defined

$$W_f = \left(\frac{A_f}{C_f} \middle| \frac{B_f}{D_f} \right) \quad (10)$$

$W_f \in \mathcal{S}$ where \mathcal{S} is the set of stable filters which have the following property

$$\|W_f\|_- = \inf_{w \in R} (\sigma(W_f(jw))) \geq 1 \quad (11)$$

(see Mazars et al. [2008] and Mazars et al. [2006] for more details). The interest of this kind of filters is that there is no

attenuation of the faults but only an amplification on all frequency ranges which improves the problem of fault detection. The detection, isolation and estimation of the faults can be considered by an appropriate choice of the matrices A_f , B_f , C_f and D_f . The FDI problem is then formulated as the following multi-objective optimization problem

Obtain L_i and M which minimize $a\gamma_f + (1-a)\gamma_d$ where $a \in [0, 1]$ subject to the following constraints

$$\|G_{rf} - W_f\|_\infty < \gamma_f \quad (12)$$

$$\|G_{rd}\|_\infty < \gamma_d \quad (13)$$

$$\text{System (4) is stable} \quad (14)$$

The theorem 1 gives an LMI method to solve the optimization problem and provides the residual generator gains L_i and M .

Theorem 1. Given a positive parameter $a \in [0, 1]$ and a weighting function $W_f \in \mathcal{S}$. The residual generator (3) exists if there exist matrices $P_1 = P_1^T > 0$, $P_2 = P_2^T > 0$ and gain matrices K_i and M and positive scalars $\bar{\gamma}_f$ and $\bar{\gamma}_d$ solution of the following optimization problem

$$\min_{L_i, M, P_1, P_2, K_i, \bar{\gamma}_f, \bar{\gamma}_d} a\bar{\gamma}_f + (1-a)\bar{\gamma}_d$$

s.t.

$$\begin{pmatrix} X_{ik}^1 & 0 & P_1 F_i - K_i R_k & C_k^T M^T \\ 0 & X_f^2 & P_2 B_f & -C_f^T \\ F_i^T P_1 - R_k^T K_i^T & B_f^T P_2 & -\bar{\gamma}_f I & R_k^T M^T - D_f^T \\ MC_k & -C_f & MR_k - D_f & -I \end{pmatrix} < 0 \quad (15)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} X_{ik}^1 & P_1 E_i - K_i G_k & C_k^T M^T \\ E_i^T P_1 - G_k^T K_i^T & -\bar{\gamma}_d I & G_k^T M^T \\ MC_k & MG_k & -I \end{pmatrix} < 0 \quad (16)$$

where

$$X_{ik}^1 = A_i^T P_1 + P_1 A_i - K_i C_k - C_k^T K_i^T \quad (17)$$

$$X_f^2 = A_f^T P_2 + P_2 A_f \quad (18)$$

$$\forall i, k = 1, \dots, r$$

The gains L_i are derived from

$$L_i = P_1^{-1} K_i \quad i = 1, \dots, r \quad (19)$$

and the attenuation levels are given by

$$\gamma_d = \sqrt{\bar{\gamma}_d} \quad \gamma_f = \sqrt{\bar{\gamma}_f} \quad (20)$$

Proof. In faulty case without disturbances the residual generator is reduced to $r = G_{rf}f$. In order to maximize the effects of faults on the residual we consider the weighting stable filter $W_f(s)$ defined in (10). Then the maximization problem can be formulated as a minimization problem by solving (12). $G_{rf} - W_f$ can be written in the following form

$$G_{rf} - W_f := \left(\begin{array}{cc|cc} A_\xi & 0 & F_\xi & \\ 0 & A_f & B_f & \\ \hline C_\xi & -C_f & R_\xi & -D_f \end{array} \right) \quad (21)$$

Let define a positive and symmetric bloc diagonal matrix

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} P_1 & 0 \\ 0 & P_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (22)$$

Using the bounded real lemma Boyd et al. [1994], the condition (12) is formulated as follows

$$\begin{pmatrix} A_\xi^T P_1 + P_1 A_\xi^T & 0 & P_1 F_\xi & C_\xi^T \\ 0 & A_f^T P_2 + P_2 A_f^T & P_2 B_f & -C_f^T \\ F_\xi^T P_1 & B_f^T P_2 & -\gamma_f^2 I & R_\xi^T - D_f^T \\ C_\xi & -C_f & R_\xi - D_f & -I \end{pmatrix} < 0 \quad (23)$$

Using the definitions (5) of the matrices A_ξ , F_ξ , C_ξ and R_ξ and the convex property of the weighing function, the following inequalities are obtained from (23)

$$\begin{pmatrix} X_{ik}^1 & 0 & P_1 F_i - P_1 L_i R_k & C_k^T M^T \\ 0 & X_f^2 & P_2 B_f & -C_f^T \\ F_i^T P_1 - R_k^T K_i^T & B_f^T P_2 & -\gamma_f^2 I & R_k^T M^T - D_f^T \\ MC_k & -C_f & MR_k - D_f & -I \end{pmatrix} < 0 \quad (24)$$

where

$$X_{ik}^1 = A_i^T P_1 + P_1 A_i - P_1 L_i C_k - C_k^T L_i^T P_1 \quad (25)$$

$$X_f^2 = A_f^T P_2 + P_2 A_f^T \quad (26)$$

$$i, k = 1, \dots, r$$

In order to obtain the linear matrix inequality (15), we use the change of variables $K_i = P_1 L_i$ and $\bar{\gamma}_f = \gamma_f^2$ and $\bar{\gamma}_d = \gamma_d^2$.

In the fault-free case with disturbances, a similar way, by using the bounded real lemma, allows to obtain the LMI (16). The block (1,1) of the the LMI (16) ensures the stability of the observer (i.e. the system (4) is stable) and the robustness against disturbances.

Now, in the faulty case with disturbances, the relative importance of minimizing the effects of the disturbances and maximizing the effects of the faults on the residual signal can be expressed as a minimization of the linear combination $a\gamma_f + (1-a)\gamma_d$ where $a \in [0, 1]$.

3.2 case 2: unmeasurable premise variables

In this section, it is assumed that the weighting functions μ_i of the TS nonlinear system (1) depend on the unmeasurable state $x(t)$ of the system. The weighting functions of the residual generator then depend on the estimated state $\hat{x}(t)$ as follows

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\hat{x}}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^r \mu_i(\hat{x}) (A_i \hat{x}(t) + B_i u(t) + L_i (y(t) - \hat{y}(t))) \\ \hat{y}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^r \mu_i(\hat{x}) (C_i \hat{x}(t) + D_i u(t)) \\ r(t) = M(y(t) - \hat{y}(t)) \end{cases} \quad (27)$$

By adding and subtracting the term

$$\sum_{j=1}^r \mu_j(\hat{x}(t)) (A_j x(t) + B_j u(t))$$

in state equation of the system (1) and the term

$$\sum_{j=1}^r \mu_j(\hat{x}(t)) (C_j x(t) + D_j u(t))$$

in the output equation of (1) and by some manipulations using the convex property of the weighting functions (2) the following equivalent system is obtained

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=1}^r \mu_i(x) \mu_j(\hat{x}) (\tilde{A}_{ij} x(t) + \tilde{B}_{ij} u(t) + E_i d(t) + F_i f(t)) \\ y(t) = \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=1}^r \mu_i(x) \mu_j(\hat{x}) (\tilde{C}_{ij} x(t) + \tilde{D}_{ij} u(t) + G_i d(t) + R_i f(t)) \end{cases} \quad (28)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{A}_{ij} &= A_j + \Delta A_{ij}, \tilde{C}_{ij} = C_j + \Delta C_{ij} \\ \tilde{B}_{ij} &= B_j + \Delta B_{ij}, \tilde{D}_{ij} = D_j + \Delta D_{ij} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\Delta X_{ij} = X_i - X_j, \quad X_i \in \{A_i, B_i, C_i, D_i\}$$

$$i, j = 1, \dots, r$$

After calculating the dynamic of the state estimation error, the following is obtained

$$\begin{cases} \dot{e}(t) = \tilde{A}_{x\hat{x}}e(t) + \Delta\tilde{A}_{x\hat{x}}x(t) + \tilde{B}_{x\hat{x}}\tilde{d}(t) + \tilde{F}_{x\hat{x}}f(t) \\ r(t) = \tilde{C}_{x\hat{x}}e(t) + \Delta\tilde{C}_{x\hat{x}}x(t) + \tilde{G}_{x\hat{x}}\tilde{d}(t) + \tilde{R}_{x\hat{x}}f(t) \end{cases} \quad (29)$$

Using the simplified notation

$$\sum_{i,j,k=1}^r \mu_i \hat{\mu}_j \hat{\mu}_k$$

instead of

$$\sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{k=1}^r \mu_i(x) \mu_j(\hat{x}) \mu_k(\hat{x})$$

the matrices of (29) are defined by

$$\tilde{A}_{x\hat{x}} = \sum_{i,j,k=1}^r \mu_i \hat{\mu}_j \hat{\mu}_k (A_j - L_j C_k)$$

$$\tilde{B}_{x\hat{x}} = \sum_{i,j,k=1}^r \mu_i \hat{\mu}_j \hat{\mu}_k [(\Delta B_{ij} - L_j \Delta D_{ik}) (E_i - L_j G_i)]$$

$$\tilde{F}_{x\hat{x}} = \sum_{i,j,k=1}^r \mu_i \hat{\mu}_j \hat{\mu}_k (F_i - L_j R_i)$$

$$\tilde{C}_{x\hat{x}} = \sum_{i,j,k=1}^r \mu_i \hat{\mu}_j \hat{\mu}_k M C_k,$$

$$\tilde{G}_{x\hat{x}} = \sum_{i,j,k=1}^r \mu_i \hat{\mu}_j \hat{\mu}_k [M \Delta D_{ik} \quad M G_i]$$

$$\tilde{R}_{x\hat{x}} = \sum_{i,j,k=1}^r \mu_i \hat{\mu}_j \hat{\mu}_k M R_i$$

$$\Delta\tilde{A}_{x\hat{x}} = \sum_{i,j,k=1}^r \mu_i \hat{\mu}_j \hat{\mu}_k (\Delta A_{ij} - L_j \Delta C_{ik})$$

$$\Delta\tilde{C}_{x\hat{x}} = \sum_{i,j,k=1}^r \mu_i \hat{\mu}_j \hat{\mu}_k M \Delta C_{ik}$$

$$\tilde{d}(t) = [u(t)^T \quad d(t)^T]^T$$

Let define the augmented state vector $\tilde{x} = [e^T \quad x^T]^T$. Then from (29) The residual vector r is then given by

$$r = G_{rd}\tilde{d} + G_{rf}f \quad (30)$$

where

$$G_{rd} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{A}_{x\hat{x}} & \Delta\tilde{A}_{x\hat{x}} & \tilde{B}_{x\hat{x}} \\ 0 & A_x & \tilde{B}_x \\ \tilde{C}_{x\hat{x}} & \Delta\tilde{C}_{x\hat{x}} & \tilde{G}_{x\hat{x}} \end{pmatrix} \quad (31)$$

and

$$G_{rf} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{A}_{x\hat{x}} & \Delta\tilde{A}_{x\hat{x}} & \tilde{F}_{x\hat{x}} \\ 0 & A_x & F_x \\ \tilde{C}_{x\hat{x}} & \Delta\tilde{C}_{x\hat{x}} & \tilde{R}_{x\hat{x}} \end{pmatrix} \quad (32)$$

$$A_x = \sum_{i=1}^r \mu_i(x) A_i, F_x = \sum_{i=1}^r \mu_i(x) F_i$$

$$\tilde{B}_x = \sum_{i=1}^r \mu_i(x) [B_i \quad E_i]$$

The FDI problem is the same as the problem given in (12)-(14). In order to determine the gains L_i and M of the residual generator (27), the theorem 2 gives an LMI solution of the problem (12)-(14) extended to TS nonlinear systems with unmeasurable premise variables.

Theorem 2. Given a positive parameter a and a weighting function W_f . The residual generator (3) exists if there exist matrices $P_1 = P_1^T > 0$, $P_2 = P_2^T > 0$ and gain matrices K_i and M and positive scalars $\bar{\gamma}_1$ and $\bar{\gamma}_2$ solution of the following optimization problem

$$\min_{L_i, M, P_1, P_2, K_i, \bar{\gamma}_f, \bar{\gamma}_d} a\bar{\gamma}_f + (1-a)\bar{\gamma}_d$$

s.t.

$$\begin{pmatrix} X_{jk}^1 & \Xi_{ijk} & 0 & P_1 F_i - K_j R_i & C_k^T M^T \\ * & X_i^2 & 0 & P_2 F_i & \Delta C_{ik}^T M^T \\ * & * & X_f^3 & P_3 B_f & -C_f^T \\ * & * & * & -\bar{\gamma}_f I & (M R_i - D_f)^T \\ * & * & * & * & -I \end{pmatrix} < 0 \quad (33)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} X_{jk}^1 & \Xi_{ijk} & P_1 \Delta B_{ij} - K_j \Delta D_{ik} & P_1 E_i - K_j G_i & C_k^T M^T \\ * & X_i^2 & P_2 B_i & P_2 E_i & \Delta C_{ik}^T M^T \\ * & * & -\bar{\gamma}_d I & 0 & \Delta D_{ik}^T M^T \\ * & * & * & -\bar{\gamma}_d I & G_i^T M^T \\ * & * & * & * & -I \end{pmatrix} < 0 \quad (34)$$

where

$$X_{jk}^1 = A_j^T P_1 + P_1 A_j - K_j C_k - C_k^T K_j^T \quad (35)$$

$$X_i^2 = A_i^T P_2 + P_2 A_i \quad (36)$$

$$X_f^3 = A_f^T P_3 + P_3 A_f \quad (37)$$

$$\Xi_{ijkl} = P_1 \Delta A_{ij} - K_j \Delta C_{ik} \quad (38)$$

$$\forall i, j, k = 1, \dots, r$$

The gains L_i are derived from

$$L_i = P_1^{-1} K_i \quad i = 1, \dots, r \quad (39)$$

and the attenuation levels are given by

$$\gamma_d = \sqrt{\bar{\gamma}_d} \quad \gamma_f = \sqrt{\bar{\gamma}_f} \quad (40)$$

Proof. After calculating the augmented system with $\tilde{x} = [e^T \quad x^T \quad x_f^T]^T$ by including the filter W_f which has x_f as a state vector and calculating $r_e(t) = r(t) - r_f(t)$ where $r_f(t)$ is the output of the filter W_f (see figure 1), the proof follows exactly the steps which have been given for the proof of the theorem 1.

Remark 1. Note that the theorem 2 is more general than the theorem 1. Indeed, if the weighting functions μ_i of the system (1) depend on measurable premise variables, the problem given in the theorem 1 can be deduced from the theorem 2 by taking $i = j$. When the premise variable is the state of the system, if $C_1 = C_2 = \dots = C$ and the number of the sub-models r is important, it might be, therefore, difficult to find a common matrix P defined by

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} P_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & P_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & P_3 \end{pmatrix} \quad (41)$$

satisfying the conditions of theorem 2 (see remark 6.1 in Tanaka et al. [1998]).

4. ROBUST FAULT DIAGNOSIS

Due to the presence of exogenous disturbances, the residual signals are different from zero even in the fault-free case. In the framework of fault detection, a threshold based on the obtained attenuation levels γ_f and γ_d is generated. An alarm is generated by comparison between the residual signals $r(t)$ and the threshold. A fixed threshold is determined as follows

$$J_{th} = \gamma_d \rho \quad (42)$$

where ρ is the bound of $d(t)$ in the measurable premise variables case and it represent the bound of $\bar{d}(t)$ in the unmeasurable premise variables. The decision logic is given by

$$\begin{cases} |r_i(t)| < J_{th} \Rightarrow \text{no fault} \\ |r_i(t)| > J_{th} \Rightarrow \text{fault} \end{cases} \quad (43)$$

In order to improve the fault detection, a residual generator can be constructed for each fault separately. Each residual generator is designed to minimize the transfer from f_i to $r_{ei} = r_i - W_{fi}f_i$, $i = 1, \dots, n_f$.

In the unmeasurable premise variables case, the system is seen as an uncertain system. The input $u(t)$ then appear in the dynamic of state estimation error. The method proposed in this paper considers the input $u(t)$ as a perturbation as $d(t)$ and by considering the new perturbation vector $\tilde{d}(t) = [u(t)^T \ d(t)^T]^T$ the problem is solved. It is clear that considering the input $u(t)$ as a perturbation penalizes the fault detection because the computed threshold depends on the upper bound of $\tilde{d}(t)$. Using the method proposed in Casavola et al. [2008] for linear systems with polytopic uncertainties where $u(t)$ is considered as a perturbation to minimize separately from $d(t)$. Indeed, instead of minimizing the index $(a\bar{\gamma}_f + (1-a)\bar{\gamma}_{\tilde{d}})$ under the LMI constraints, the index which has been used in Casavola et al. [2008] described by $(a\bar{\gamma}_f + b\bar{\gamma}_d + c\bar{\gamma}_u)$ can be used. An adaptive threshold can be then generated using a time-windowed rms-norm (see Casavola et al. [2008], Frank and Ding [1997]).

It is often considered that the fault vector $f(t)$ has two components, the first one noted $f_a(t)$ represent the vector of the faults affecting only the actuator, thus, they appear in the state equation. The second component noted $f_s(t)$ is the vector of the faults affecting only the sensors. The output of the system is always given by

$$y(t) = \sum_{i=1}^r \mu_i(\xi) (C_i x(t) + D_i u(t) + G_i d(t) + R_i f(t)) \quad (44)$$

but in the case where the faults $f_a(t)$ do not affect the output of the system, the matrices R_i are not full rank. As pointed out in (Stoustrup and Niemann [2000]), in this case, where $W_f = I$ the attenuation level γ_f becomes greater than 1 the problems in theorem 1 and 2 does not have a solution. In order to avoid this problem, a perturbation term is added in the output equation as follows

$$y(t) = \sum_{i=1}^r \mu_i(\xi) \left(C_i x + D_i u + G_i d + [\varepsilon_i \ R_i^1] \begin{bmatrix} f_a \\ f_s \end{bmatrix} \right) \quad (45)$$

where ε_i are the matrices of distribution of the actuator faults $f_a(t)$ in the output equation and are chosen as small as possible. However, in the context of fault isolation, this approach may generate false alarms. To improve the isolation results, we propose to add and subtract the perturbation term and make the added term to ensure the full rank of R_i and consider the subtract term as a perturbation to minimize

$$y(t) = \sum_{i=1}^r \mu_i(\xi) \left(C_i x + D_i u + \bar{G}_i \bar{d} + \bar{R}_i \begin{bmatrix} f_a \\ f_s \end{bmatrix} \right) \quad (46)$$

where

$$\bar{G}_i = [G_i \ b\varepsilon_i], \bar{R}_i = [\varepsilon_i \ R_i^1], \bar{d} = \begin{bmatrix} d \\ -f_a/b \end{bmatrix}$$

where b is a positive real parameter. Using this second approach, the threshold J_{th} is calculated by using the bound of

the new perturbation vector $\bar{d}(t)$, thus the fault isolation is improved.

5. NUMERICAL EXAMPLE

The proposed algorithm of robust diagnosis is illustrated by an academic example. Let consider the nonlinear system (1) defined by

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -3 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & -8 \end{bmatrix}, A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 2 & -2 \\ 5 & -3 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -4 \end{bmatrix}, \\ B_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 0.5 \end{bmatrix}, B_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, E_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, F_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \\ F_2 &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, E_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0.3 \\ 0 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, G = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The weighting functions μ_i are defined as follows

$$\begin{cases} \mu_1(u(t)) = \frac{1 - \tanh((u(t) - 1)/10)}{2} \\ \mu_2(u(t)) = 1 - \mu_1(u(t)) \end{cases} \quad (47)$$

The unknown input vector $d(t)$ affects the outputs of the system and its dynamic. The first component of the vector $f(t)$ is a sensor fault and the second component is an actuator fault. W_f is chosen to be a diagonal of first order low-pass filters. For each fault, a dedicated residual generator is designed as mentioned above. The resolution of the problem in theorem 1 with $a = 0.9$ results in $\gamma_d = 2.1426$ and $\gamma_f = 0.5481$ for the first residual generator and for the second residual generator, we choose $a = 0.99$, $\epsilon = [0 \ 0.08]^T$ and $b = 10$. The solution of the problem in theorem 1 results in $\gamma_d = 8.2658$ and $\gamma_f = 1.5780$. The obtained residuals are displayed on figure 2. The residual $r_1(t)$ is sensitive only to the first component of the fault vector (sensor fault) and the second residual $r_2(t)$ is only sensitive to the second fault (actuator fault). The filter W_f allows to amplify the sensitivity of the residuals to the faults.

A second simulation is performed in order to estimate the faults. W_f is then chosen an identity matrix. The original and estimated faults are depicted in figure 3.

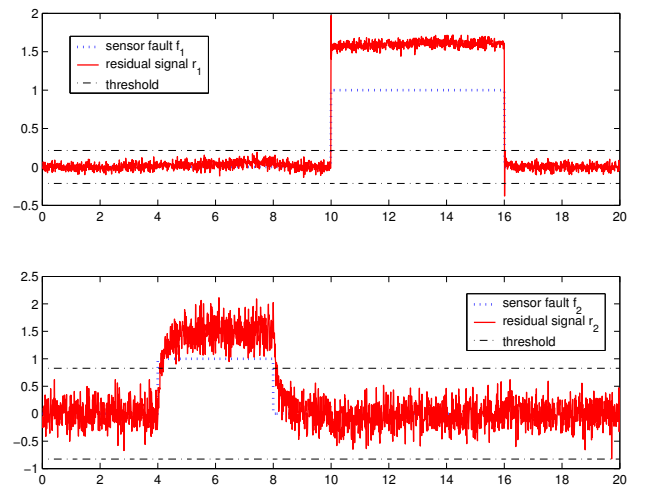


Fig. 2. Faults and corresponding residual signals

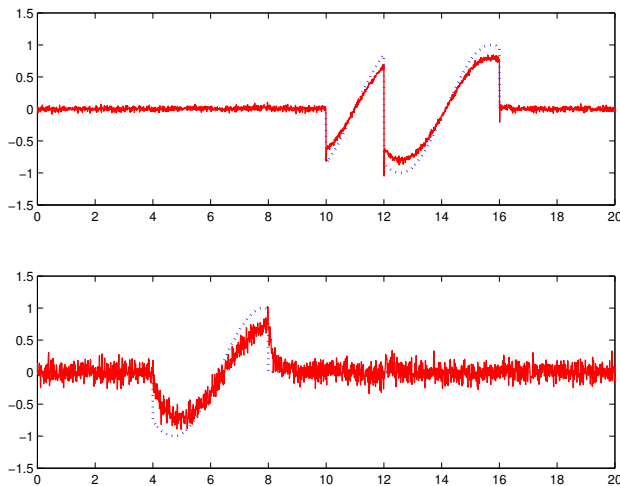


Fig. 3. Faults (dashed lines) and their estimations (solid lines)

6. CONCLUSION

Considering nonlinear systems represented by TS systems, two methods for observer-based residual generator (RG) design are proposed. One is devoted to the systems where the premise variables depend on the measured variables such as the input or the output of the system. The other one concerns the systems which premise variables depend on the unmeasured state variables. Sufficient conditions for the existence of RG were established in the LMI formalism in order to ease RG design and obtain the gains. The conservatism of the conditions proposed in the theorem 2 in the case where the premise variable is the state of the system will be studied in future works in order to propose less conservative conditions for residual generators design by using, for example, a non-quadratic Lyapunov function.

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