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Fault Tolerant Control approach based on Multiple Models and set-membership state estimation

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Abstract—This paper proposes a new Fault Tolerant Control technique based on the Multiple Models approach for linear systems with bounded perturbations and measurement noises. The consistency of each model with the measurements is checked at each sample time, using an ellipsoidal set-membership state estimation. A Min-Max Model Predictive Control is developed in order to find the optimal control and the best model in spite of the simultaneous presence of component and/or actuator and/or sensor faults. An illustrative example is analyzed in order to show the effectiveness of the proposed approach.

Index Terms—FTC, FD, Multiple Models, set-membership state estimation, Min-Max MPC, uncertain linear systems.

I. INTRODUCTION

In the literature, Fault Detection approaches can be categorized into stochastic approaches (stochastic uncertainties) and deterministic approaches (bounded uncertainties by compact set). In general, a deviation of at least one characteristic property or parameter of a system from its acceptable/usual/standard conditions is considered as a fault. The determination of a fault at a certain time is referred to Fault Detection (FD) [1], [2]. Fault Tolerant Control (FTC) is a relatively new research area that makes possible the development of control laws which allow us to maintain current performances close to desirable objectives even after the occurrence of faults. A general technique used in the literature consists in designing a Fault Tolerant Controller that can adapt or reconfigure itself based on the FD information such that the system can still operate safely despite the presence of faults. There are three parts of a system susceptible to faults: actuators, system's components and sensors.

One of the many different approaches of FD is the Multiple Models (MM) technique. A Multiple Model technique consists in the construction of a set of models that contains local information corresponding to specific fault conditions of the monitored system [3], [4]. The motivation for using Multiple Model systems for FD stems from the fact that a large class of fault conditions can be modeled simultaneously, contrary to other FD methods that can only be applied

to limited types/number of fault conditions (e.g. actuator or sensor faults). In addition, the use of Multiple linear Models represents an attractive solution to deal with the control of non-linear systems [5], [6], [7], [8], [9]. This is motivated by the fact that non-linear systems can be modeled by Linear Parametric Varying (LPV) models [10], [11], Takagi-Sugeno fuzzy models [12], [13], [14], etc.

Multiple Model systems are also used in the context of FD for linear systems due to its flexibility and simplicity, which allows us an intuitive modeling of faults. The authors of [15] propose a method for estimating both the weights and the state of a Multiple Model system with one common state vector. In this system, the weights are related to the activation of each individual model. Perturbations and measurement noises are assumed to be stochastic with a given covariance representation. Paper [16] presents a different fault diagnosis method based on a generation of the residuals. These residual signals are obtained in a statistical framework which sometimes makes difficult the parameters tuning. Generally, in the stochastic methods, the perturbations are assumed to have a known distribution. This assumption is in many cases difficult to validate. Thus, it may be more realistic to assume that the perturbations and measurement noises are unknown but bounded. This leads to use set-membership approaches for the estimation [17], [18], [19], [20].

In this context, the current paper proposes a new Fault Tolerant Control method (using set-membership state estimation) based on Multiple Models technique. These models are constructed by referring to the original system, such that each model is adequate to one faulty mode. This method consists first in checking the consistency between each model with the available measurements. The consistency test is based on a guaranteed ellipsoidal set-membership state estimation [21]. Second, the set of compatible models with the measurements is formed. In a third step, a Min-Max Model Predictive Control (MPC) [22] is developed for each compatible model ensuring the desirable performances. A quadratic criterion is minimized in order to choose the best control to be applied to the original system and the best model for the estimation.

The novelty of this paper is the use of set-membership estimation coupled with Min-Max MPC to estimate the state of linear systems with unknown but bounded perturbations and measurement noises despite the simultaneous presence of component, actuator and sensor faults.

Notations: An *interval* $[a, b]$ is defined by the set $\{x \in \mathbb{R} : a \leq x \leq b\}$. A *unitary interval* is $\mathbf{B} = [-1, 1]$. A *box* $([a_1, b_1], \dots, [a_n, b_n])^\top$ is an interval vector. A *unitary box*

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in \mathbb{R}^m , denoted by \mathbf{B}^m , is a box composed by m unitary intervals. A bounded *ellipsoidal set* $\mathcal{E}(P, \bar{x}, \rho)$ is defined by $\mathcal{E}(P, \bar{x}, \rho) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : (x - \bar{x})^\top P(x - \bar{x}) \leq \rho\}$, where $P = P^\top \succ 0$ is the shape matrix of the ellipsoid, $\bar{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x}$ is its center and $\rho \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$ is its radius. A *polyhedron* $\mathcal{P} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is defined by a system of finitely many inequalities $Ax \leq b$ such that $\mathcal{P} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : Ax \leq b\}$. Given a bounded polyhedral set \mathcal{X} , denote by $\mathcal{V}_{\mathcal{X}}$ the *set of its vertices*. A *polytope* $\mathcal{P} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is defined by a finite set $\mathcal{X} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $\mathcal{P} = \text{conv}(\mathcal{X})$. A *strip* is defined by $\mathcal{S}(y, c, \sigma) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |c^\top x - y| \leq \sigma\}$. The symbol $\|\cdot\|_1$ denotes the norm 1. Denote by \mathcal{C}_M the set of compatible models with the measurements. The matrices $\mathbb{0}_{n,m}$, $\mathbb{1}_n$ and $\mathbb{1}_{n,m}$ denotes respectively a zeros matrix in $\mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$, an identity matrix in $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ and a matrix in $\mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ having all elements equal to 1.

II. PROBLEM FORMULATION

Consider the following discrete-time LTI (Linear Time Invariant) system:

$$\begin{cases} x_{k+1} = AG_{i_c}x_k + BH_{i_a}u_k + E\omega_k \\ y_k = CI_{i_s}x_k + F\omega_k \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

with $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x \times n_x}$, $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x \times n_u}$, $C \in \mathbb{R}^{n_y \times n_x}$, $E \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x \times (n_x + n_y)}$, $F \in \mathbb{R}^{n_y \times (n_x + n_y)}$, $G_{i_c} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x \times n_x}$, $H_{i_a} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_u \times n_u}$ and $I_{i_s} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x \times n_x}$. Here, $x_k \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x}$ is the state vector of the system, $u_k \in \mathbb{R}^{n_u}$ is the input vector, and $y_k \in \mathbb{R}^{n_y}$ is the measured output vector at sample time k . The vector ω_k contains the state perturbations and the measurement perturbations (noise, offset, etc.), which are assumed to be bounded by unitary boxes $\omega_k \in \mathbf{B}^{n_x + n_y}$ for every $k \geq 0$. Consider that the initial state x_0 belongs to the ellipsoid $\mathcal{E}(P_0, \bar{x}_0, \rho_0) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x} : (x - \bar{x}_0)^\top P_0(x - \bar{x}_0) \leq \rho_0\}$.

The matrix G_{i_c} , with $i_c \in \mathbb{I}_c = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n_c\}$ and n_c denoting the number of the considered component faults, is a diagonal matrix modeling the i_c -th component mode. In a similar way, the matrix H_{i_a} , with $i_a \in \mathbb{I}_a = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n_a\}$ and n_a the number of considered actuator faults, is a diagonal matrix modeling the i_a -th actuator mode. The matrix I_{i_s} , with $i_s \in \mathbb{I}_s = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n_s\}$, where n_s denotes the number of considered sensor faults, is a diagonal matrix modeling the i_s -th sensor mode.

All diagonal entries of G_{i_c} , H_{i_a} and I_{i_s} belong to $(0, 1]$ where 0 or 1 means that the corresponding components, actuators and sensors are completely faulty or healthy, respectively. A value in the range $(0, 1)$ denotes a partial degradation of the corresponding components/actuators/sensors.

Remark 1: The system (1) can be rewritten such as

$$\begin{cases} x_{k+1} = A(x_k + f_{x_k}) + B(u_k + f_{u_k}) + E\omega_k \\ y_k = Cx_k + F\omega_k + f_{y_k} \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

where f_{x_k} , f_{u_k} and f_{y_k} are respectively the component fault, actuator fault and the sensor fault. It is easy to verify this, by taking $f_{x_k} = (G_{i_c} - \mathbb{1}_{n_x})x_k$, $f_{u_k} = (H_{i_a} - \mathbb{1}_{n_u})u_k$ and $f_{y_k} = (I_{i_s} - \mathbb{1}_{n_x})x_k$.

Given an ellipsoidal estimation for x_k of the form $\mathcal{E}(P, \bar{x}_k, \rho_k)$, with P unknown and $k > 0$, the objective

of this paper is to provide an ellipsoidal estimation for x_{k+1} of the form $\mathcal{E}(P, \bar{x}_{k+1}, \rho_{k+1})$ using the ellipsoidal set-membership state estimation presented in [21] despite the presence of possible faults¹ on components, actuators and/or sensors.

III. MULTIPLE MODELS FAULT TOLERANT CONTROL

First of all, a set of p Multiple Models $\mathcal{M} = \{M_1, M_2, \dots, M_p\}$ is further constructed such that M_1 represents the fault-free case, i.e. $A_1 = A$, $B_1 = B$, $C_1 = C$, $E_1 = E$ and $F_1 = F$. Then, for $i = 2, \dots, p$, each model M_i is dedicated to one faulty mode. Note that the model M_i is defined by the matrices $A_i = AG_{i_c}$, $B_i = BH_{i_a}$, $C_i = CI_{i_s}$, $E_i = E$ and $F_i = F$, for $i = 1, \dots, p$. A good knowledge of the system is required in order to define these p models

$$\begin{cases} x_{k+1} = A_i x_k + B_i u_k + E_i \omega_k \\ y_k = C_i x_k + F_i \omega_k \end{cases}, \quad i = 1, \dots, p \quad (3)$$

The state of the system (1) is estimated in parallel by each model M_i based on the ellipsoidal estimation developed in [21] for the fault-free case.

Remark 2: For each model M_i , the system matrices A , B and C from [21] are replaced by AG_{i_c} , BH_{i_a} and CI_{i_s} respectively, in order to estimate the state of the system by solving the LMI problem (16) of [21]. This LMI problem will be denoted by (16)* in the rest of the present paper.

Considering the presence of faults, the consistency between the model M_i and the measurement has to be checked at each sample time. Thus, the objective is to find the models which are compatible with the set of measurements. Once this set is computed, a Min-Max Model Predictive Control is developed in order to stabilize the state x_k of the system (1) and to decide which is the best model to estimate the state of the system for the next step. The details of the Min-Max MPC problem are given in Section IV.

Algorithm 1 provides a general form of the Fault Detection and Fault Tolerant Control strategy based on checking consistency between the models and the measurements.

Algorithm 1. Fault Detection

1. $k \leftarrow 0$;
2. $\mathcal{E}(P_0, \bar{x}_0, \rho_0) \leftarrow \{x \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x} : (x - \bar{x}_0)^\top P_0(x - \bar{x}_0) \leq \rho_0\}$;
3. **for** $i = 1 : p$
4. $\mathcal{E}_i(P_0, \bar{x}_0, \rho_0) = \mathcal{E}(P_0, \bar{x}_0, \rho_0)$;
5. **end for**
6. **for** $k = 0 : N - 1$
7. $\mathcal{C}_M = \emptyset$;
8. Collect y_k ;
9. **for** $i = 1 : p$
10. Use the output measurements y_k to construct the polytope $\mathcal{P}_{check}(C_i, y_k, F_i)$;
11. **if** $\mathcal{E}_i(P, \bar{x}_{k,i}, \rho_{k,i}) \cap \mathcal{P}_{check}(C_i, y_k, F_i) = \emptyset$
12. The model M_i is not compatible with the set of measurements;

¹Note that other existing estimation techniques could be applied, e.g. zonotopic state estimation [23], [24], ellipsoidal state estimation [25], [19].

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13.       $\mathcal{C}_M = \mathcal{C}_M;$ 
14.      else
15.      The model  $M_i$  is compatible with the set of
      measurements;
16.       $\mathcal{C}_M = \{\mathcal{C}_M, M_i\};$ 
17.      end if
18.      end for
19.       $s_M = \text{size}(\mathcal{C}_M)$ 
20.       $\mathcal{U}_k = \emptyset$ 
21.      for  $j = 1 : s_M$ 
22.      Compute  $\mathbf{u}_{k|k,j}$  by solving the criterion (6);
23.       $\mathcal{U}_k = \{\mathcal{U}_k, \mathbf{u}_{k|k,j}\};$ 
24.      end for
25.      Compute  $u_{k|k}^*$  and  $M_k^*$  using (7) and (8);
26.      for  $i = 1 : p$ 
27.      if  $M_i \in \mathcal{C}_M$ 
28.      Compute the ellipsoidal estimation set
       $\mathcal{E}_i(P, \bar{x}_{k+1,i}, \rho_{k+1,i})$  according to (16)* using
      the model  $M_i$  (defined by the matrices  $A_i,$ 
       $B_i, C_i, E_i$  and  $F_i$ ) and the control  $u_{k|k}^*$ ;
29.      else
30.      Compute the ellipsoidal estimation set
       $\mathcal{E}_i(P, \bar{x}_{k+1,i}, \rho_{k+1,i})$  according to (16)* using
       $M_k^*$  and  $u_{k|k}^*$ ;
31.      end if
32.      end for
33.      Compute the ellipsoidal estimation set
       $\mathcal{E}(P, \bar{x}_{k+1}, \rho_{k+1})$  according to (16)* using the
      model
       $M_k^*$ ;
34.       $k = k + 1;$ 
35.      end for.

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This algorithm is summarized below:

- **Initialization:** (steps 1 to 5)
The estimated state is initialized by the ellipsoidal set $\mathcal{E}(P_0, \bar{x}_0, \rho_0)$ in step 2. The estimation set for each model $M_i \in \mathcal{M}$, with $i = 1, \dots, p$, is also initialized by the same ellipsoidal set $\mathcal{E}_i(P_0, \bar{x}_0, \rho_0) = \mathcal{E}(P_0, \bar{x}_0, \rho_0)$. These ellipsoids are chosen sufficiently large in order to contain the real initial state.
- **Compatible models set construction:** (steps 7 to 18)
At each sample time k , the output measurement y_k in (1) obtained from the sensors is used to build the parametrized polytope² $\mathcal{P}_{check}(C_i, y_k, F_i)$ for each model M_i , with $i = 1, \dots, p$. This polytope corresponds to the consistent state set with the measurements y_k . The construction of the polytope $\mathcal{P}_{check}(C_i, y_k, F_i)$ is obtained from the intersection of all the n_y measurement strips $\mathcal{S}_j(y_{k,j}, C_{i,j}, \|F_{i,j}\|_1)$ (each strip is formed by one of the n_y scalar components $y_{k,j}$ of the vector y_k , with $j = 1, \dots, n_y$). Each strip is defined by these

²For Single Output systems, a measurement strip is used. For Multi-Output systems, intersecting all the measurement strips related to each scalar component of the output leads to a polytope.

two inequalities

$$\begin{cases} C_{i,j}x_k \leq y_{k,j} + \|F_{i,j}\|_1 \\ -C_{i,j}x_k \leq -y_{k,j} + \|F_{i,j}\|_1 \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

with $i = 1, \dots, p$ and $j = 1, \dots, n_y$, such that i represents the i^{th} model and j represents the j^{th} line of C_i, F_i and y_k in (3).

Then, using (4), the polytope $\mathcal{P}_{check}(C_i, y_k, F_i)$ is defined by the following constraints

$$\mathcal{P}_{check}(C_i, y_k, F_i) = \{x_k \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x} : Sx_k \leq T\},$$

with the matrices $S = \begin{bmatrix} C_i \\ -C_i \end{bmatrix}$, $T = \begin{bmatrix} y_k + \mathbf{F}_i \\ -y_k + \mathbf{F}_i \end{bmatrix}$ and

$$\mathbf{F}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \|F_{i,1}\|_1 \\ \vdots \\ \|F_{i,n_y}\|_1 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ Note that } F_{i,j} \text{ represents the } j^{\text{th}} \text{ line}$$

of the F_i matrix for the M_i model.

The consistency between the ellipsoidal estimated set $\mathcal{E}_i(P, \bar{x}_{k,i}, \rho_{k,i})$ and the polytope $\mathcal{P}_{check}(C_i, y_k, F_i)$ is verified for each model $M_i \in \mathcal{M}$, with $i = 1, \dots, p$. The ellipsoidal set $\mathcal{E}_i(P, \bar{x}_{k,i}, \rho_{k,i})$ represents the state estimation with the model M_i .

This consistency test (i.e. the intersection between an ellipsoid and a polytope) is solved by the following Quadratic Programming (QP) optimization problem with linear constraints:

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_k^* &= \min_{x_k \in \mathcal{E}_i(P, \bar{x}_k, \rho_k)} (x_k - \bar{x}_k)^\top P(x_k - \bar{x}_k) \\ &\text{subject to} \\ &Sx_k \leq T. \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

If $\rho_k^* < \rho_k$, then the intersection $\mathcal{E}_i(P, \bar{x}_{k,i}, \rho_{k,i}) \cap \mathcal{P}_{check}(C_i, y_k, F_i)$ is not empty, the model M_i is called *compatible with the measurements* and it is added to the set \mathcal{C}_M containing all the compatible models with the measurements. Otherwise, the intersection is empty, i.e. $\mathcal{E}_i(P, \bar{x}_{k,i}, \rho_{k,i}) \cap \mathcal{P}_{check}(C_i, y_k, F_i) = \emptyset$ and the model M_i is called *incompatible with the measurements*. This process is repeated for each model M_i , with $i = 1, \dots, p$.

Remark 3: Note that several models M_i of \mathcal{M} can be compatible with the measurement at the same time.

- **Designing a Min-Max Model Predictive Control for each compatible model:** (steps 19 to 24)

A Min-Max Model Predictive Control is developed for each model compatible with the measurement. This control can be used for stabilizing a system for example by satisfying constraints on the state and the control signals. A Min-Max optimization problem is solved in order to minimize a quadratic criterion for the worst-case perturbations belonging in a bounded compact set. This corresponds for instance to the energy minimization for the worst case considered perturbations.

In order to obtain the set of controllers suitable for each model, a control sequence $\mathbf{u}_{k|k,j} = [u_{k|k,j}, u_{k+1|k,j}, \dots, u_{k+h-1|k,j}]^\top$ is computed for

each model $M_j \in \mathcal{C}_M$, with $j = 1, \dots, s_M$ (where s_M is the size of \mathcal{C}_M), by minimizing the criterion

$$\mathbf{u}_{k|k,j} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{u}_{k|k,j}} \max_{\omega_k \in \mathbf{B}^{n_x+n_y}} J_j(u_{k|k,j}, \omega_{k|k,j}, x_{k|k,j}), \quad (6)$$

subject to

$$\begin{aligned} x_{k+l|k} &\in \mathbb{X} \text{ for } l = 1, \dots, h \\ u_{k+l|k} &\in \mathbb{U} \text{ for } l = 1, \dots, h \end{aligned}$$

where h is the prediction horizon, $x_{k+l|k}$, $u_{k+l|k}$ and $\omega_{k+l|k}$ represent the prediction of the state, the control prediction and the perturbation prediction for the sample time $k+l$ at the sample time k . The cost function is defined by $J_j(u_{k|k,j}, \omega_{k|k,j}, x_{k|k,j}) = \sum_{l=0}^{h-1} \left(x_{k+l+1|k,j}^\top Q x_{k+l+1|k,j} + u_{k+l|k,j}^\top R u_{k+l|k,j} \right)$. The index j refers to the model $M_j \in \mathcal{C}_M$, with $j = 1, \dots, s_M$. Generally, the constraints on the state and input vectors and the choice of the weighting matrices Q and R are due to physical limitations, safety and/or performance considerations. Then, the set of controllers $\mathcal{U}_k = \{\mathbf{u}_{k|k,1}, \dots, \mathbf{u}_{k|k,s_M}\}$ suitable for each model $M_j \in \mathcal{C}_M$ is constructed. More details on solving the problem (6) are given in Section IV.

• **Computing the optimal control and the best model for the estimation:** (step 25)

The objective is to determine the best control $\mathbf{u}_{k|k,j}^* \in \mathcal{U}_k$ for the system in a faulty situation (1) and the best model $M_j^* = M_{k|k}^* \in \mathcal{C}_M$ to use for the estimation in case of faults. For this, the following optimization problem is solved

$$(\mathbf{u}_{k|k}^*, M_{k|k}^*) = \arg \min_{\mathbf{u}_{k|k} \in \mathcal{U}_k} \max_{M_j \in \mathcal{C}_M} J(u_{k|k}, \omega_{k|k}, x_{k|k}), \quad (7)$$

with the cost function $J(u_{k|k}, \omega_{k|k}, x_{k|k}) = \sum_{l=0}^{h-1} \left(x_{k+l+1|k}^\top Q x_{k+l+1|k} + u_{k+l|k}^\top R u_{k+l|k} \right)$. Based on the receding horizon strategy, the control $u_{k|k}^*$ that will be applied to the system (1) is given by the first n_u components of the control sequence $\mathbf{u}_{k|k}^*$ as follows

$$\mathbf{u}_{k|k}^* = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{1}_{n_u} & \mathbb{0}_{n_u, (h-1)n_u} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_{k|k}^*. \quad (8)$$

• **Computing the estimation for each model:** (steps 26 to 32)

Each model $M_i \in \mathcal{M}$, with $i = 1, \dots, p$, must be fed with an ellipsoidal estimation set that will be used to construct the new set of compatible models \mathcal{C}_M at the next sample time k . It consists in computing the ellipsoidal estimation sets $\mathcal{E}_i(P, \bar{x}_{k+1,i}, \rho_{k+1,i})$ for each model $M_i \in \mathcal{M}$, with $i = 1, \dots, p$. If the model M_i was compatible with the measurement y_k (i.e. $M_i \in \mathcal{C}_M$), then the ellipsoidal estimation set $\mathcal{E}_i(P, \bar{x}_{k+1,i}, \rho_{k+1,i})$ is computed according to (16)* using the model M_i , the control $u_{k|k}^*$ and the measurement y_k . Otherwise, the ellipsoidal estimation set $\mathcal{E}_i(P, \bar{x}_{k+1,i}, \rho_{k+1,i})$ is computed according to (16)* using the best model M_k^* , the control $u_{k|k}^*$ and the measurement y_k , in order

to offer a state estimation for this model which is incompatible with the measurement.

• **Obtaining the final estimation:** (step 33)

Finally, at time $k+1$, the ellipsoidal estimation set $\mathcal{E}(P, \bar{x}_{k+1}, \rho_{k+1})$ is based on the best model M_k^* , the optimal control $u_{k|k}^*$ and y_k .

IV. MIN-MAX MODEL PREDICTIVE CONTROL

This section details the development of Min-Max Model Predictive Control applied to each model M_j , with $j = 1, \dots, s_M$, belonging to the compatible set \mathcal{C}_M . The control signal is found by minimizing a worst case (with respect to the perturbations ω_k) of a quadratic criterion (6). The Min-Max optimization problem (6) is reformulated as a quadratic programming (QP) problem. Then, the controller is designed using the ellipsoidal state estimation from the previous sample time by solving a QP problem.

Starting from the quadratic cost function with simplified notations³

$$J_j(u_{k,j}, \omega_k, x_{k,j}) = \sum_{l=0}^{h-1} \left(x_{k+l,j}^\top Q x_{k+l,j}^\top + u_{k+l,j}^\top R u_{k+l,j} \right) \quad (9)$$

the following state equations are computed for each compatible model $M_j \in \mathcal{C}_M$, with $j = 1, \dots, s_M$

$$\begin{cases} x_{k+1,j} &= A_j x_{k,j} + B_j u_{k,j} + E_j \omega_{k,j} \\ \vdots & \\ x_{k+l,j} &= A_j^l x_{k,j} + A_j^{l-1} B_j u_{k,j} + A_j^{l-2} B_j u_{k+1,j} + \\ &+ \dots + B_j u_{k+l-1,j} + A_j^{l-1} F_j \omega_{k,j} + \\ &+ A_j^{l-2} F_j \omega_{k+1,j} + \dots + F_j \omega_{k+l-1,j} \\ \vdots & \\ x_{k+h,j} &= A_j^h x_{k,j} + A_j^{h-1} B_j u_{k,j} + A_j^{h-2} B_j u_{k+1,j} + \\ &+ \dots + B_j u_{k+h-1,j} + A_j^{h-1} F_j \omega_{k,j} + \\ &+ A_j^{h-2} F_j \omega_{k+1,j} + \dots + F_j \omega_{k+h-1,j} \end{cases}$$

with h the prediction horizon. Denote by $\mathbf{u}_{k|k,j} = [u_{k|k,j}, u_{k+1|k,j}, \dots, u_{k+h-1|k,j}]^\top$ and $\boldsymbol{\omega}_{k|k,j} = [\omega_{k|k,j}, \omega_{k+1|k,j}, \dots, \omega_{k+h-1|k,j}]^\top$ the sequences of control signals and perturbations, respectively. Then, the state equation predicted for time $k+l$ at time k of the model $M_j \in \mathcal{C}_M$ can be rewritten as

$$x_{k+l|k,j} = A_j^l x_{k|k,j} + \mathcal{A}_{l,j} B_j \mathbf{u}_{k|k,j} + \mathcal{A}_{l,j} F_j \boldsymbol{\omega}_{k|k,j} \quad (10)$$

where the $\mathcal{A}_{l,j}$ matrix is defined by

$$\mathcal{A}_{l,j} = [A_j^{l-1} \quad A_j^{l-2} \quad \dots \quad A_j^0 \quad Z_l]$$

with $Z_l = \underbrace{[\mathbb{0}_{n_x, n_x} \quad \dots \quad \mathbb{0}_{n_x, n_x}]}_{h-j \text{ times}}$.

Replacing (10) in (9) and after some manipulations, the optimization problem (6) becomes

$$\mathbf{u}_{k,j} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{u}_{k|k,j} \in \mathcal{U}_k} \max_{\omega_{k|k,j} \in \mathbf{B}^{h \times (n_x+n_y)}} f(\mathbf{u}_{k|k,j}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_{k|k,j}) \quad (11)$$

³Here the index $k+l|k$ is omitted and replaced by $k+l$ in order to simplify the notations.

where $f(\mathbf{u}_{k|k,j}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_{k|k,j}) = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \boldsymbol{\omega}_{k|k,j} + \alpha_3 \mathbf{u}_{k|k,j} + \alpha_4 \boldsymbol{\omega}_{k|k,j} + \alpha_5 \mathbf{u}_{k|k,j} + \alpha_6 \mathbf{u}_{k|k,j}$, with $\alpha_1 = x_{k|k,j}^\top \sum_{l=0}^{h-1} A_l^\top Q A_l x_{k|k,j}$, $\alpha_2 = 2x_{k|k,j}^\top \sum_{l=0}^{h-1} A_l^\top Q A_{l,j} \bar{F}$, $\alpha_3 = 2x_{k|k,j}^\top \sum_{l=0}^{h-1} A_l^\top Q A_{l,j} \bar{B}$, $\alpha_4 = \bar{F}^\top \sum_{l=0}^{h-1} A_{l,j}^\top Q A_{l,j} \bar{F}$, $\alpha_5 = 2\bar{F}^\top \sum_{l=0}^{h-1} A_{l,j}^\top Q A_{l,j} \bar{B}$, $\alpha_6 = \bar{F}^\top \sum_{l=0}^{h-1} A_{l,j}^\top Q A_{l,j} \bar{F} + \bar{R}$, and $\bar{B} = \text{diag}(\underbrace{B, \dots, B}_{h \text{ times}})$, $\bar{F} = \text{diag}(\underbrace{F, \dots, F}_{h \text{ times}})$ and $\bar{R} = \text{diag}(\underbrace{R, \dots, R}_{h \text{ times}})$.

The function $f(\mathbf{u}_{k|k,j}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_{k|k,j})$ is quadratic with respect to $\mathbf{u}_{k|k,j}$ and $\boldsymbol{\omega}_{k|k,j}$. In [22], it is shown that solving the Min-Max MPC problem (11) for all $\boldsymbol{\omega}_{k|k,j} \in \mathbf{B}^{h \times (n_x + n_y)}$ is equivalent to solve the following problem for all the vertices $\boldsymbol{\omega}_{k|k,j} \in \mathcal{V}_{\mathbf{B}^{h \times (n_x + n_y)}}$

$$\mathbf{u}_{k,j} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{u}_{k|k,j} \in \mathcal{U}_k} \max_{\boldsymbol{\omega}_{k|k,j} \in \mathcal{V}_{\mathbf{B}^{h \times (n_x + n_y)}}} f(\mathbf{u}_{k|k,j}, \boldsymbol{\omega}_{k|k,j}) \quad (12)$$

The problem (12) becomes a QP problem as follows

$$\mathbf{u}_{k,j} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{u}_{k|k,j} \in \mathcal{U}_k} \tilde{f}(\mathbf{u}_{k|k,j}) \quad (13)$$

such as $\tilde{f}(\mathbf{u}_{k|k,j})$ is quadratic with respect to $\mathbf{u}_{k|k,j}$. In general, the constraints $x_k \in \mathcal{X}$ and $u_k \in \mathcal{U}$ are formulated such as $x_{\min} \leq x_k \leq x_{\max}$ and $u_{\min} \leq u_k \leq u_{\max}$. Finally, the problem (6) is rewritten in terms of the QP problem

$$\min_{\mathbf{u}_{k|k,j}} \tilde{f}(\mathbf{u}_{k|k,j})$$

subject to

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{l,j} \bar{B} \\ -A_{l,j} \bar{B} \\ \mathcal{I}_l \\ -\mathcal{I}_l \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_{k|k,j} \prec \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ u_{\max} \\ -u_{\min} \end{bmatrix} \quad (14)$$

for $l = 1, \dots, h$, with $b_1 = x_{\max} - A_j^l x_{k|k} - A_{l,j} \bar{F} \boldsymbol{\omega}_{k|k}$ and $b_2 = -x_{\min} + A_j^l x_{k|k} + A_{l,j} \bar{F} \boldsymbol{\omega}_{k|k}$, $\forall \boldsymbol{\omega}_{k|k} \in \mathcal{V}_{\mathbf{B}^{h \times (n_x + n_y)}}$ and $\mathcal{I}_l = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0}_{l-1, n_u} & \mathbf{1}_{1, n_u} & \mathbf{0}_{h-l, n_u} \end{bmatrix}$.

V. ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLE

Consider the following LTI discrete-time system

$$\begin{cases} x_{k+1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 & 0.3 \\ 0.6 & 0.7 \end{bmatrix} x_k + \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 \\ 0.2 \end{bmatrix} u_k + \\ \quad + \begin{bmatrix} 0.05 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.02 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\omega}_k \\ y_k = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x_k + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0.01 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0.01 \end{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\omega}_k \end{cases} \quad (15)$$

with $\|\boldsymbol{\omega}_k\|_\infty \leq 1$. The value of $\boldsymbol{\omega}_k$ is randomly generated. The initial state belongs to the ellipsoid $\mathcal{E}(\mathbb{1}_2, [0 \ 0]^\top, 1)$. In this example, 4 models are considered. M_1 corresponds to the fault-free system, i.e. $A_1 = A$, $B_1 = B$, $C_1 = C$, $E_1 = E$ and $F_1 = F$. M_2 models the system with a component fault: $A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.8 \\ 0.1 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix}$, $B_2 = B$, $C_2 = C$, $E_2 = E$

and $F_2 = F$. M_3 corresponds to a partial actuator fault, with $A_3 = A$, $B_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.15 \\ 0.1 \end{bmatrix}$, $C_3 = C$, $E_3 = E$ and $F_3 = F$. M_4 corresponds to the system having a partial fault in the second sensor: $A_4 = A$, $B_4 = B$, $C_4 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$, $E_4 = E$ and $F_4 = F$. The simulation length is $N = 100$. The prediction horizon is $h = 10$, the weighting matrices are $Q = 10 \cdot \mathbb{1}_2$ and $R = 5$. The following constraints are considered on the state $x_{\min} = [-1 \ -1]^\top$, $x_{\max} = [1 \ 1]^\top$, and on the input signal $u_{\min} = -0.8$ and $u_{\max} = 0.8$. The simulated faults are described in Table I.

TABLE I

SIMULATED FAULT SCENARIO

Fault description	Time interval (samples)
50% fault in actuator	10 – 20
50% fault in sensor	50 – 60

Figures 1 and 2 illustrate the bounds of x_1 and x_2 after 100 iterations. The solid blue lines represent the bounds obtained by *Algorithm 1*. The red stars represent the real state of the system (situated inside the estimated bounds). The state estimation is guaranteed despite the presence of the considered faults, however the bounds of the estimation set are larger when faults occur (compared to a fault-free time intervals). In Figure 3, the control u_k is represented. The constraint $u_{\min} \leq u_k \leq u_{\max}$ is satisfied.

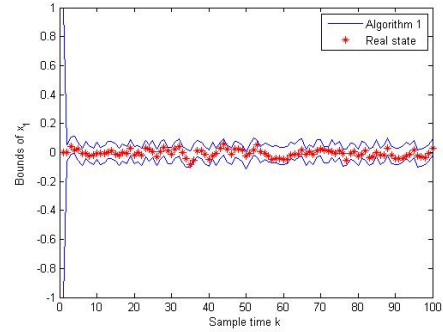


Fig. 1. Bounds of x_1

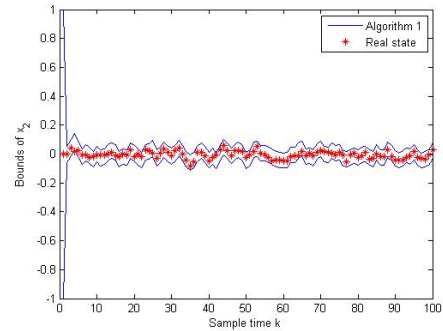


Fig. 2. Bounds of x_2

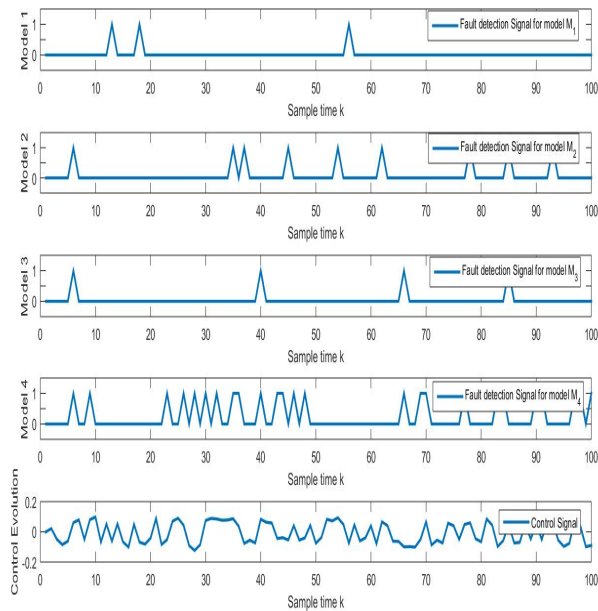


Fig. 3. Evolution of the control u and the fault signals

Figure 3 shows also the fault signal obtained by models M_1 , M_2 , M_3 and M_4 , respectively. When the fault signal is equal to 0 (respectively 1), the model M_i is compatible (respectively incompatible) with the measurements. Effectively, the model M_1 corresponding to the fault-free case system is compatible with the measurement when there is no fault. Even if for the considered actuator fault (between 10–20 samples), the models M_2 , M_3 and M_4 are compatible with the measurements, the optimal model chosen by the Min-Max MPC is M_3 . In a similar way, the model M_4 is chosen (between the compatible models M_3 and M_4) the optimal model for the considered sensor fault. This confirms the performance of *Algorithm 1*.

VI. CONCLUSION

A new Fault Fault Tolerant Control method based on Multiple Models for linear systems with bounded perturbations and measurement noises has been proposed. Despite the presence of simultaneous faults on component, actuators and/or sensors, the proposed algorithm allows to estimate the state of the system in a set-membership framework. A Min-Max MPC based on the ellipsoidal state estimation has been used in order to choose the best model for the estimation within faulty situations, while minimizing the system energy for the worst perturbations. An example illustrates the effectiveness of the proposed method.

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