## Asynchronous Fault Diagnosis of Discrete-Event Systems With **Partially Observable Outputs**

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The proofs of the following lemmas are omitted because they follow directly from the definitions of  $\hat{\mathcal{D}}_{oc}^{l_o^o}$  and  $\hat{\mathcal{D}}_{dc}^{l_o^o}$ 

**Lemma 1.** For any path  $p = q_{-1} \stackrel{l^0}{\xrightarrow{\circ}} q_0 \stackrel{l^1}{\xrightarrow{\circ}} q_1 \cdots q_{k-1} \stackrel{l^k}{\xrightarrow{\circ}}$  $q_k \cdots q_n \xrightarrow{l_o^{n+1}} q_k$  in  $\hat{\mathcal{D}}_{oc}^{l_o^0}$  ending with a cycle, The following

1)  $\kappa(q_j) = \kappa(q_r)$  for any  $j, r \in [k, n]$ ;

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2) There exists a path  $\bar{p} = \bar{q}_0 \xrightarrow{\sigma_1} \bar{q}_1 \xrightarrow{\sigma_2} \bar{q}_2 \cdots \bar{q}_{b-1} \xrightarrow{\sigma_b}$  $\bar{q}_b \cdots \bar{q}_c \xrightarrow{\sigma_c} \hat{q}_b$  in  $\hat{\mathbf{G}}$  such that  $O(\lambda(\bar{q}_0\bar{q}_1 \cdots \bar{q}_c\bar{q}_b)) =$  $l_o^0 l_o^1 \cdots l_o^n l_o^k$  and  $Q_p \subseteq Q_{\bar{p}}$ , where  $Q_p$  and  $Q_{\bar{p}}$  are the set of states composed of paths p and  $\bar{p}$ , respectively.

In a cycle, all states correspond to the same condition, which is either normal or  $F_i$   $(i \in [1, m])$ , owing to the assumption that all failure modes are permanent. We know that  $\hat{\mathcal{D}}_{oc}^{\ell_o}$  is defined on the basis of  $\hat{\mathcal{D}}_{dm}^{l_o^0}$  and  $\hat{\mathcal{D}}_{dm}^{l_o^0}$  derives from G. Thus, there exists a transition path  $\bar{p}$  in G corresponding to the indication path p in  $\hat{\mathcal{D}}_{oc}^{l_o^o}$ .

**Lemma 2.** For any path  $p = (q_{-1}, q_{-1}) \xrightarrow{l_o^0} (q_0^1, q_0^2) \xrightarrow{l_o^1}$  $(q_1^1, q_1^2) \cdots (q_{k-1}^1, q_{k-1}^2) \xrightarrow{l_o^k} (q_k^1, q_k^2) \cdots (q_n^1, q_n^2) \xrightarrow{l_o^{n+1}}$  $(q_k^1,q_k^2)$  (k < n) in  $\hat{\mathcal{D}}_{dc}^{l_o^0}$  ending with a cycle, the following

1) There exist a path  $p_{\text{noc}}^1$  in  $\hat{\mathcal{D}}_{\text{noc}}$  and a path  $p_{\text{foc}}^2$  in  $\hat{\mathcal{D}}_{\text{foc}}$ ending with cycles, namely,  $p_{\text{noc}}^1 = q_{-1} \xrightarrow{l_0^0} q_0^1 \xrightarrow{l_0^1} q_1^1$  $\cdots q_{k-1}^1 \xrightarrow{l_o^k} q_k^1 \cdots q_n^1 \xrightarrow{l_o^{n+1}} q_k^1 \text{ and } p_{\text{foc}}^2 = q_{-1} \xrightarrow{l_o^0} q_0^2$  $\begin{array}{c} \stackrel{l_o^1}{\longrightarrow} q_1^2 \, \cdots \, q_{k-1}^2 \stackrel{l_o^k}{\longrightarrow} q_k^2 \, \cdots \, q_n^2 \stackrel{l_o^{n+1}}{\longrightarrow} q_k^2; \\ \text{2)} \ \kappa(q_j^1) \, = \, \kappa(q_r^1) \, = \, N \ \text{and} \ \kappa(q_j^2) \, = \, \kappa(q_r^2) \ \text{for any } j, \end{array}$ 

Based on Lemmas 1 and 2. the proof of Theorem 1 is shown as follows.

*Proof.* (only if): Suppose G is  $F_i$ -asynchronously diagnosable w.r.t.  $l_o^0 \in \Lambda_o$ , but there exists a cycle  $cl = (q_k^1, q_k^2) \xrightarrow{l_o^{k+1}}$  $(q_{k+1}^1,q_{k+1}^2) \cdots (q_n^1,q_n^2) \xrightarrow{l_o^{n+1}} (q_k^1,q_k^2) \ (k < n) \text{ in } \hat{\mathcal{D}}_{dc}^{l_o^0} \text{ such that } \kappa(q_j^2) = F_i \ (i \in [1,m], j \in [k,n]).$ 

Since  $\hat{\mathcal{D}}_{dc}^{l_o^o}$  is reachable, there exists a path p in  $\hat{\mathcal{D}}_{dc}^{l_o^o}$  ending with the cycle cl, i.e.,  $p=(q_{-1},q_{-1})\stackrel{l_0^0}{\stackrel{\circ}{\sim}}(q_0^1,q_0^2)\stackrel{l_0^1}{\stackrel{\circ}{\sim}}$ 

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 $\begin{array}{cccc} (q_1^1,q_1^2)\cdots(q_{k-1}^1,q_{k-1}^2) & \xrightarrow{l_o^k} & (q_k^1,q_k^2) & \cdots & (q_n^1,q_n^2) & \xrightarrow{l_o^{n+1}} \\ (q_k^1,q_k^2). & \text{Based on Lemma 2, we know that there exist one} \\ & \text{path } p_{\text{n}oc}^1 & \text{in } \hat{\mathcal{D}}_{\text{n}oc} & \text{and one path } p_{\text{f}oc}^2 & \text{in } \hat{\mathcal{D}}_{\text{f}oc} & \text{ending with cycles,} \\ \end{array}$ namely,  $p_{\text{noc}}^1 = q_{-1} \xrightarrow{l_o^0} q_0^1 \xrightarrow{l_o^1} q_1^1 \cdots q_{k-1}^1 \xrightarrow{l_o^k} q_k^1 \cdots q_n^1 \xrightarrow{l_o^{n+1}}$  $q_k^1$  and  $p_{toc}^2 = q_{-1} \xrightarrow{l_o^0} q_0^2 \xrightarrow{l_o^1} q_1^2 \cdots q_{k-1}^2 \xrightarrow{l_o^k} q_k^2 \cdots q_n^2$  $\xrightarrow[]{l_o^{n+1}} q_k^2 \text{ with } \kappa(q_j^1) = \kappa(q_r^1) = 0 \text{ and } \kappa(q_j^2) = \kappa(q_r^2) = i \text{ for any } j, \ r \in [k,n]. \text{ Further from Lemma 1, we know that for } 1$ the path  $p_{\text{foc}}^2$  there exists a path  $\bar{p}^2 = \bar{q}_0^2 \xrightarrow{\sigma_1^2} \bar{q}_1^2 \xrightarrow{\sigma_2^2} \bar{q}_2^2 \cdots$  $\bar{q}_{b-1}^2 \xrightarrow{\sigma_b^2} \bar{q}_b^2 \cdots \bar{q}_c^2 \xrightarrow{\sigma_c^2} \bar{q}_b^2 \text{ in } \mathbf{G} \text{ such that } O(\lambda(\bar{q}_0^2 \bar{q}_1^2 \cdots \bar{q}_c^2 \bar{q}_b^2))$ 

 $= l_o^{10} l_o^{1} \cdots l_o^{n} l_o^{k} \text{ and } Q_{p_{\text{foc}}^2} \subseteq Q_{\bar{p}^2}.$ Let  $Q_e(q, n')$  denote the set of state estimations calculated after the occurrence of n' events from state q. Suppose the state estimation  $x_{0e} \in \mathcal{Q}_e(\bar{q}_s^2, 0)$   $(s \in [1, b])$ , where  $\bar{q}_s^2$   $(\kappa(\bar{q}_s^2) =$  $F_i$ ) is the first faulty state in the path  $\bar{p}^2$ , is given. When the system evolves along the path  $\bar{p}^2$ , there exists a state estimation  $x_e^{n''} \in \mathcal{Q}_e(\bar{q}_s^2, n'') \ (n'' = d + m_2 * k_2, \ d = b - s, \ \text{and} \ m_2 = s$ c-b+1 is the length of  $\bar{q}_b^1\cdots \bar{q}_c^1$ ) such that  $q_k^1\in x_e^{n''}$  and  $q_k^2 \in x_e^{n''}$  for any nonnegative integer  $k_2$ . Then  $\mathbf{D}(x_e^{n'}) = -1$ . Since **G** is asynchronously diagnosable w.r.t.  $l_o^0$ , there exists an integer  $N_i$  such that for any  $x_e^{n'} \in \mathcal{Q}(q_s^2, n'), x_e^{n'} \subseteq Q_{F_i}$ holds for  $n' \geq N_i$ . We choose an integer  $k_2$  such that  $n'' \geq N_i$ . Then we have that  $x_e^{n''} \subseteq Q_{F_i}$ , i.e.,  $\mathbf{D}(x_e^{n''}) = i$ , which leads to a contraction. So the necessity holds.

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(if): Suppose for every cycle  $cl = (q_k^1, q_k^2) \xrightarrow{l_o^{k+1}}$  $(q_{k+1}^1,q_{k+1}^2) \cdots (q_n^1,q_n^2) \xrightarrow{l_o^{n+1}} (q_k^1,q_k^2) \ (k < n) \ \text{in} \ \hat{\mathcal{D}}_{dc}^{l_o^0}, \ \text{we}$  have  $\kappa(q_j^1) = \kappa(q_j^2) = N \ (j \in [k,n])$ . From the second clause of Lemma 2, we can infer that for any  $q^d = (q^1, q^2)$  in  $\hat{\mathcal{D}}_{dc}^{l_o^o}$ ,  $q^d$  is not contained in a loop if  $\kappa(q^1) \neq \kappa(q^2)$ , which further implies that for any state sequence  $q_1^d q_2^d \cdots q_k^d$  in  $\hat{\mathcal{D}}_{dc}^{l_o^0}$  with  $q_r^d = (q_r^1, q_r^2) \ (r \in [1, k]) \ \text{if} \ \kappa(q_r^1) \neq \kappa(q_r^2), \text{ then the length of}$ this state sequence is finite, which is less than the number of states in  $\hat{\mathcal{D}}_{dc}^{l_o}$ .

Suppose the state estimation  $x_{0e} \in \mathcal{Q}_e(q_{F_i}, 0) \ (i \in [1, m])$ is given when the system first reaches the fault state  $q_{F_i}$  $(\kappa(q_{F_i}) = F_i)$ . For any  $x_e^{n'} \in \mathcal{Q}_e(q_{F_i}, n')$  with n' > 0 $|\hat{Q}_d| \times (|Q|-1)$ , we claim that  $\mathbf{D}(x_e^{n'}) = i$ . After n transitions from state  $q_{F_i}$ , we have the state sequence  $s = q_{F_i} q_{F_i}^1 \cdots q_{F_i}^n$ with the observed output sequence  $O(\lambda(s))$   $(n'' = |O(\lambda(s))|)$ . From above, for any state  $q^d \in \hat{Q}_d$  that can be reached from  $(q_{-1},q_{-1})$  in  $\hat{\mathcal{D}}_{dc}^{l_o^o}$ , we have that for any state sequence starting from  $q^d$ , a state  $\hat{q}^d = (\hat{q}^1, \hat{q}^2) \in \hat{Q}_d$  with  $\kappa(\hat{q}^1) = \kappa(\hat{q}^2)$ can be reached within  $|\hat{Q}_d| - 1$  transitions. This implies that for any  $n'' > |\hat{Q}_d| - 1$  and  $x_e^{n''} \in \mathcal{Q}_e(q_{F_i}, n'')$ , we have that  $\mathcal{D}(x_e^{n''}) = i$ . From the assumption in Remark 2, each observed output can be followed by at most |Q|-1unobserved outputs. It follows that for the above state sequence

s,  $n' \leq (n''+1) \times (|Q|-1)$ , i.e.,  $n'' \geq n'/(|Q|-1)-1$ . So if  $n' > |\hat{Q}_d| \times (|Q|-1)$ , then  $n'' \geq n'/(|Q|-1)-1 > |\hat{Q}_d|-1$ , establishing our claim. Note that we have assumed implicitly that |Q| > 1; otherwise if |Q| = 1, then from the assumption of no path cycles, no transition labeled by a failure event exists, so that the system is trivially diagnosable. Based on Definition 9, we can conclude that G is diagnosable w.r.t,  $l_o^0$ . So the sufficiency also holds.