TOWARDS DISTRIBUTED DIAGNOSIS OF REACTIVE SYSTEMS USING STATECHART BASED CONTROLLER DESIGN

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A fault is an unexpected change in a system's function and a failure is a complete breakdown of a system component or function. Fault diagnosis is a process of detecting and isolating faults (fault types): based on event sequences (symptoms). In safety critical applications each possible fault that can result in a symptom is reported as a fault candidate: model based diagnosis is preferred here. In Finite State Machine models of the system to be diagnosed the event set is partitioned as $\Sigma = \Sigma_0 \cup \Sigma_{\mu\sigma}$: the observable and unobservable event sets. $\Sigma_f \subseteq \Sigma_{\mu\sigma}$ denotes the set of fault(y) events. Types of faults fi, (i=1,p) can be identified with associated disjoint alphabets Σ_{fi} , forming a partition, Π_f on Σ_f . A language L is diagnosable with respect to Π_{f_5} if $(\forall i \in \Pi_f)(\exists n_i \in N)(\forall s \in \Psi(\Sigma_{fi}))$ ($\forall t \in L/s)(||t|| \ge n_i \Rightarrow (\forall w \in P_L^{-1}(P(st)))(\Sigma_{fi} \in w))$; $\Psi(\Sigma_{fi}) = \{s\sigma_f \in L \mid \sigma_f \in \Sigma_f\}; P: \Sigma^* \to \Sigma_{\sigma}^*; P_L^{-1}(y) = \{s \in L \mid P(s) = y\}$. This applies only to

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However, centralised diagnosis can become impracticable for real-sized systems. Hence, a distributed reference model can be defined as a set of closed languages $\{L_i \subset \Sigma_i^* \mid i \in I\}$ where L_i and Σ_i are local components and local event alphabets, respectively. The observable, unobservable and fault event sets for the local component i are, $\Sigma_{io}, \Sigma_{iuo}, \Sigma_{if} \subseteq \Sigma_i$, respectively: $i \neq j \neq \Sigma_{io} \cap \Sigma_{jo} = \Phi$; $i \neq j \Rightarrow \Sigma_{if} \cap \Sigma_{if} = \Phi$. The diagnosis problem is then posed distributed Local as, computation: $(\forall i \in I)M_i := P_{i_0}^{-1}(u_i) \cap L_i$: given observation $u_i (i \in I)$ find all strings that can exhibit u_i ; and Global consistency: $E := Sup\Delta(\{M_i \mid i \in I\})$: given the local estimates, use the notion of supremal global support to capture "agreement" among them. Checking for global consistency can be very time consuming. A set of local languages $L = \{L_i \subseteq \Sigma_i^* | i \in I\}$ is globally consistent if $\forall i \in I, L_i = P_{I,i}(||_{j \in I} L_j)$. Here, $P_{J,i}: \Sigma_J^* \to (\Sigma_J \cap \Sigma_i)^*$ and || represents the synchronous product of languages. L is locally consistent if $\forall i, j \in I, P_{i,j}(L_i) = P_{i,j}(L_i)$. Global consistency (GC) implies local consistency(LC), but not vice-versa. Our distributed diagnosis strategy uses conditions that make this latter equality possible: let graph Gr (Ver, Edg) be constructed with local event sets as vertices (Ver = I) and edges connecting event sets with non-disjoint alphabets. Then, Gr is a tree \Rightarrow {LC \Rightarrow GC}. We were also inspired by a statechart based approach using structures called D-Holons to represent superstates with associated diagnosers built as Reachability Transition Systems (RTS) of observation-adjacent states. However, their approach is very restrictive in that they only consider failures and also single-failure scenarios. We manage to overcome the restrictions by adopting Drusinski-Harel decomposition on statechart models of the system to be controlled using an approach we have developed for modular verification of Logic/supervisory control: this decomposition satisfies the "Tree" condition required for the graph Gr, to make $LC \Rightarrow GC$.