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Detection of Temporal Anomalies for Partially Observed Timed PNs

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This article concerns faults detection and isolation for timed stochastic discrete event systems modeled with partially observed timed Petri nets. Events occur according to arbitrary probability density functions. The models include the sensors used to measure events and markings and also the temporal constraints to be satisfied by the system operations. These temporal constraints are defined according to tolerance intervals specified for each transition. A fault is an operation that ends too early or too late. The set of trajectories consistent with a given timed measured trajectory is first computed. Then, the probability that the temporal specifications are unsatisfied is estimated for any sequence of measurements and the probability that a temporal fault has occurred is obtained as a consequence.

1. Introduction

The prevention of faults is a critical issue in numerous systems to preserve the safety of both equipment and human operators. These issues have been addressed in numerous studies with fault detection and diagnosis (FDD) methods. The aim of fault detection is to create an alarm each time a fault occurs, and the aim of diagnosis is to isolate the fault within a group of candidates [1]. In the domain of discrete event systems (DESs), FDD has been often formulated with automata, Petri nets (PNs) [2], in particular labeled PNs (LPNs) [3] or partially observed Petri nets (POPNS) [4]. The main reason for developing FDD tests with PN extensions is that such models include graphical representations that can be disseminated widely in numerous application domains. They also offer mathematical supports that are consistent with standard tools. The proposed methods are useful for a large variety of technological systems, ranging from computer or chemical engineering to manufacturing and intelligent transportation systems.

In numerous contributions, the faults that are considered are unexpected events that may occur in event sequences and that cannot be directly measured. Various approaches

have been proposed with PN extensions to detect and isolate such unexpected events. These approaches are based either on the analysis of the PN reachability graph [5–9], on the direct properties of the PNs [10, 11], or on PN unfolding [12, 13]. A few results also concern the introduction of temporal information in the diagnosis process. At first, dates of events have been introduced in usual extensions of untimed PNs. Such dates lead to a more accurate estimation of the past and future fault occurrence probabilities [14] and are also useful to propose an evaluation of the unknown fault dates [15]. The design and identification of models that include temporal faults have been also considered [16, 17]. Then, fuzzy Petri nets have been used to model and check temporal constraints between event occurrences [18]. Partial orders with unfolding and (max, +)-linear inequalities have been used with timed PN models [19, 20]. Monotonic monitoring and stratification have been introduced, when the monitoring is fragmented because of the uncertain temporal observation [21]. Finally, indirect monitoring has been used by comparing the actual cycle periods with the expected one in order to detect faults [22].

This paper takes place in the context where both transitions and places are assumed to be partially observed and

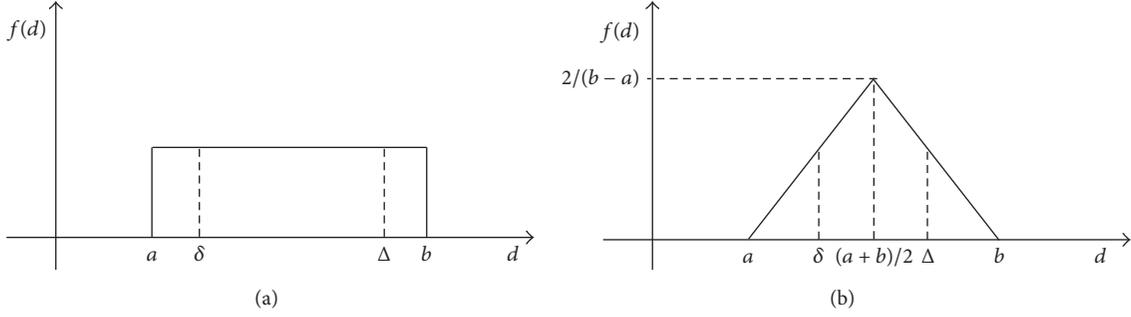


FIGURE 1: Probability density functions of the transition firing durations: bounded uniform (a); symmetrical triangular (b).

consider only temporal faults. For that purpose, temporal constraints are defined by tolerance intervals that are associated with the transitions and that represent the normal durations of the system operations. The aim of the diagnosis system is to generate alarms when the temporal constraints are no longer satisfied. For that purpose, timed POPNs (POTPNs) are introduced. POTPNs take into consideration some measurable events that correspond to dated and labeled transition firings and also to partial measurements of the marking vector that is dated. This formalism, fully described in [23], is useful to represent incomplete history of dated measurements collected by SCADA systems. In the present work, this model is extended by adding temporal constraints that give upper and lower bounds for each transition duration. The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, temporal constraints and POTPNs are introduced. In Section 3, the main results are detailed. Examples are detailed throughout the paper. Section 4 concludes the paper.

2. Context and Notations

2.1. PNs with Temporal Specifications. A PN structure is defined as $G = \langle \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{T}, W_{PR}, W_{PO} \rangle$, where $\mathbf{P} = \{P_1, \dots, P_n\}$ is a set of n places and $\mathbf{T} = \{T_1, \dots, T_q\}$ is a set of q transitions, $W_{PO} \in (\mathbf{N})^{n \times q}$ and $W_{PR} \in (\mathbf{N})^{n \times q}$ are the post- and preincidence matrices (\mathbf{N} is the set of nonnegative integer numbers), and $W = W_{PO} - W_{PR}$ is the incidence matrix. A PN is choice-free if $|(P_i)^\circ| \leq 1$ (the postset of P_i contains at most a single transition). $\langle G, M_I \rangle$ is a PN system with initial marking M_I and $M \in (\mathbf{N})^n$ represents the PN marking vector. A PN system is 1-bounded if and only if (iff) $M \leq \mathbf{1}_n$ where $\mathbf{1}_n = (1 \cdots 1)^T$ (inequality $M \leq \mathbf{1}_n$ is considered component wise). A transition T_j is enabled at marking M iff $M \geq W_{PR}(:, j)$, where $W_{PR}(:, j)$ is the column j of preincidence matrix; this is denoted as $M[T_j]$. When T_j is enabled, it may fire, and when T_j fires once, the marking varies according to $\Delta M = M' - M = W(:, j)$. This is denoted as $M[T_j]M'$. A sequence of size $H = |\sigma|$ fired at marking M is a sequence of H transitions $\sigma = T(1)T(2) \cdots T(H)$, with $T(j) \in \mathbf{T}$, $j = 1, \dots, H$ that consecutively fire from marking M to marking M' . This is denoted as $M[\sigma]M'$. The integer $x_j(\sigma)$ is the

number of occurrences of transition T_j in σ , and $X(\sigma) = (x_j(\sigma)) \in (\mathbf{N})^q$ is the firing count vector for σ . A sequence σ fired at M leads to an untimed trajectory (σ, M) detailed in

$$(\sigma, M) = M(0) [T(1)] M(1) \cdots [T(H)] M(H), \quad (1)$$

with $M(0) = M$. A marking M is said to be reachable from initial marking M_I if there exists a firing sequence σ such that $M_I[\sigma]M$. The set of all reachable markings from initial marking M_I is $\mathbf{R}(G, M_I)$.

Timed Petri nets are PNs whose behavior is driven by time. Time is measured with time units (TU). The time can be associated with the firing of the transitions or with the sojourn of the tokens in the places. In this paper the time is associated with the transitions and the firing of each transition T occurs after a firing duration d that can eventually be zero. In that case the firing is immediate; in the other cases it is delayed. In this last case, the duration d can be deterministic (d is a constant) or stochastic (d is a random variable (RV)) with a probability density function (pdf) $f(d)$. In this article, stochastic durations are concerned at first but the results are also applicable to deterministic durations. No particular assumption is made on the pdfs of the firing durations but the pdf of each transition is assumed to be known. The set of pdfs for all transitions is referred to as **PDF**. Two classes of pdfs are of particular interest for this work: bounded uniform (Figure 1(a)) and symmetrical triangular pdfs (Figure 1(b)) defined, respectively, with equations (2) and (3).

Bounded uniform pdf is as follows:

$$f(d) = \frac{1}{(b-a)} \quad \text{if } d \in [a, b], \quad (2)$$

otherwise $f(d) = 0$.

Symmetrical triangular pdf is as follows:

$$f(d) = \frac{4}{(b-a)^2} \cdot (d-a)$$

$$\text{if } d \in \left[a, \frac{(a+b)}{2} \right],$$

$$f(d) = \frac{4}{(b-a)^2} \cdot (b-d) \quad \text{if } d \in \left[\frac{(a+b)}{2}, b \right],$$

otherwise $f(d) = 0$.

(3)

The motivations to consider these pdfs are that uniform random processes may be obtained as a limit case of (2) for $a = 0$ and $b = \infty$ and that (3) is useful to describe the dispersion of the duration around an average value. Note however that other pdfs can be considered. Note also that deterministic durations are obtained as the limit behavior of both pdfs when the support $[a, b]$ of the pdfs tends to zero.

The considered timed PNs have a time semantic [24, 25] that is defined according to *infinite server* as server policy (*Assumption A1*), where each transition is considered as a server for firings and, in a given marking, each transition may fire simultaneously several times depending on its enabling degree; *race* as choice policy (*Assumption A2*), where the transition whose firing time elapses first is assumed to be the one that will fire next; and *enabling memory* as memory policy (*Assumption A3*), where, at the entrance in a marking, the remaining durations associated with still enabled transitions are kept and decremented and the remaining durations associated with disabled transitions are forgotten. Note that an interaction may exist between enabling memory and infinite server policies. At the entrance in a marking, the enabled degree of some transitions may decrease to a nonzero value. In the next, the considered nets are assumed to be 1-bounded and choice-free (*Assumption A4*); thus this situation never occurs and the reachability set of the net is of finite cardinality N . Finally, firings are assumed not to be immediate and $d > 0$ (*Assumption A5*).

The nominal behavior of the timed Petri nets is also assumed to be constrained by temporal constraints. A time interval $TC = [\delta, \Delta]$ is associated with each transition T . The timed PN system satisfies the temporal constraints as long as the firing of the transitions has a duration not less than δ or larger than Δ . The duration is measured from the transition enabling date to the date when it effectively fires. The set of all temporal constraints is referred to as **TC**. Such temporal constraints are useful to characterize the validity and the performance of the activities that are represented (e.g., operation of machines in manufacturing systems, transfer in automated transportation systems, and server load in communication systems). An activity with an exact duration d without any tolerance is represented by a transition T constrained by the time interval $[d, d]$ and an activity with no temporal specification is represented by a transition T constrained by the time interval $[0, \infty]$.

A timed firing sequence σ of length $|\sigma| = H$ fired at marking M in time interval $[\tau_0, \tau_{\text{end}}]$ is defined as

$\sigma = T(j_1, t_1)T(j_2, t_2) \cdots T(j_H, t_H)$ where j_1, \dots, j_H are the labels of the transitions and t_1, \dots, t_H represent the dates of the firings that satisfy $\tau_0 \leq t_1 \leq t_2 \leq \dots \leq t_H \leq \tau_{\text{end}}$. This leads to the timed trajectory (σ, M) detailed in the following with $M(\tau_0) = M$:

$$(\sigma, M) = M(\tau_0) [T(t_1)] M(t_1) \cdots [T(t_H)] M(\tau_{\text{end}}). \quad (4)$$

Note that we refer to timed and untimed firing sequences with the same notation σ as long as the notation is not confusing; otherwise we use σ_U to refer to untimed firing sequence and σ to refer to timed ones.

2.2. Partially Observed Timed Petri Nets. Partially observed Petri nets are considered to represent the system sensor. $L : \mathbf{T} \rightarrow \mathbf{E} \cup \{\varepsilon\}$ is a labeling function that assigns a label to each transition where $\mathbf{E} = \{\mathbf{e}_1, \dots, \mathbf{e}_p\}$ is the set of p labels that are assigned to observable transitions and ε is the null label that is assigned to the silent ones. The concatenation of labels obviously satisfies the following: $\varepsilon\varepsilon = \varepsilon$ and $\varepsilon\mathbf{e}_k = \mathbf{e}_k$. For simplicity, each label \mathbf{e}_k is represented by the elementary vector e_k of dimension p such that $e_k = (e_{kj})$ with $e_{kj} = 0$ for $j \neq k$ and $e_{kk} = 1$. The null label is represented by the zero vector $\varepsilon = 0_p$ of dimension p . The labeling function is linear and defined by the matrix $L = (l_{kj}) \in (\mathbf{N})^{p \times q}$ such that $l_{kj} = 1$ if $L \cdot X(T_j) = e_k$; otherwise $l_{kj} = 0$ (“.” stands for the product operator). The marking sensor matrix $H \in (\mathbf{R})^{n_o \times n}$ (\mathbf{R} is the set of real numbers) defines the projection of the marking vector M over n_o subsets of places. The observable part of the marking is denoted as $M_O = H \cdot M$.

Thus, partially observed timed PNs with temporal constraints (POTPN) are defined as $\langle G, L, H, \mathbf{PDF}, \mathbf{TC}, M_I \rangle$ where **PDF** is the set of pdfs, **TC** is the set of temporal constraints, G is a Petri net structure, L is an event sensor matrix, and H is a marking sensor matrix. The matrices L and H define the sensor configuration.

Measurements are collected over the time interval $[\tau_0, \tau_{\text{end}}]$. When the POTPN marking varies with the firing of a single transition T at date $t \in [\tau_0, \tau_{\text{end}}]$, the measurement function $\Gamma(T, \tau_0, \tau_{\text{end}})$ is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma(T, \tau_0, \tau_{\text{end}}) &= (H \cdot M(\tau_0)) L \cdot X(T(t)) (H \cdot M(\tau_{\text{end}})) \\ &\text{if } (H \cdot M(\tau_0) \neq H \cdot M(\tau_{\text{end}})) \vee (L \cdot X(T(t)) \neq \varepsilon), \quad (5) \\ \Gamma(T, \tau_0, \tau_{\text{end}}) &= (H \cdot M(\tau_{\text{end}})) \\ &\text{if } (H \cdot M(\tau_0) = H \cdot M(\tau_{\text{end}})) \wedge (L \cdot X(T(t)) = \varepsilon). \end{aligned}$$

Roughly speaking, the measurement function Γ collects a new label each time a transition fires that is not silent or that changes the measurement of the marking. The measurement function Γ is then extended to timed trajectories of the form (4) measured over the time interval $[\tau_0, \tau_{\text{end}}]$:

$$\begin{aligned} & \Gamma((\sigma T, M), \tau_0, \tau_{\text{end}}) \\ &= \Gamma((\sigma, M), \tau_0, \tau_{\text{end}}) \ L \cdot X(T(t)) \ (H \cdot M(\tau_{\text{end}})) \\ & \text{if } (H \cdot M(t) \neq H \cdot M(\tau_{\text{end}})) \vee (L \cdot X(T(t)) \neq \varepsilon), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \Gamma((\sigma T, M), \tau_0, \tau_{\text{end}}) = \Gamma((\sigma, M), \tau_0, \tau_{\text{end}}) \\ & \text{if } (H \cdot M(t) = H \cdot M(\tau_{\text{end}})) \wedge (L \cdot X(T(t)) = \varepsilon). \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

The measurement function Γ collects K successive dated marking and event measurements of a timed trajectory (σ, M) of length h over time interval $[\tau_0, \tau_{\text{end}}]$ and organizes these measurements in a timed measured trajectory that is written as follows

$$\Gamma((\sigma, M), \tau_0, \tau_{\text{end}}) = M_O(\tau_0) \ e_O(\tau_1) \ M_O(\tau_1) \ e_O(\tau_2) \ \cdots \ M_O(\tau_{K-1}) \ e_O(\tau_K) \ M_O(\tau_{\text{end}}), \quad (7)$$

where $M_O(\tau_0) = M$, K is the length of the sequence that satisfies $K \leq h$, and $\tau = \{\tau_k, k = 1, \dots, K\}$ refers to the set of measurement dates. Note that $M_O(\tau_0)$ does not necessarily correspond to the measurement of initial marking M_I . A timed trajectory (σ, M) is said to be consistent with a given timed measured trajectory TR_O in time interval $[\tau_0, \tau_{\text{end}}]$ if it satisfies $\Gamma((\sigma, M), \tau_0, \tau_{\text{end}}) = \text{TR}_O$. In the next, it is assumed that the time interval starts at time 0 (i.e., $\tau_0 = 0$) and that it ends at the last measurement date (i.e., $\tau_{\text{end}} = \tau_K$) (*Assumption B*).

The objective of the present work is to estimate the probability that any given timed measured trajectory satisfies the temporal constraints. An immediate application of the proposed estimation is to provide an algorithm that generates alarms when this probability goes down a specific threshold γ . To the best of our knowledge, it is the first time that this problem is considered with PNs. Note that POTPNs cannot be encoded as a Hidden Markov Model (HMM) [26] because in a HMM each state successively reached by the system delivers an observation that is not certain and depends on the emission probabilities. On the contrary, in a POTPN model, the states and the transitions deliver certain but partial observations and in some cases the states do not deliver any observation at all.

3. Temporal Specifications Checking

The proposed diagnosis systems operate with three stages.

- (i) For any timed measured trajectory TR_O with K measurements, the set of timed trajectories that are consistent with TR_O are first computed with an integer linear programming approach developed in our previous work [23, 27].
- (ii) For each possible trajectory, the probability that this trajectory is consistent with the temporal constraints is estimated.

- (iii) The probability that a timed measured trajectory is consistent with the temporal constraints is obtained as a consequence by computing the probability of each consistent trajectory [15].

3.1. Untimed Trajectories Consistent with TR_O . In this section, the set $\Gamma_U^{-1}(\text{TR}_O)$ of all untimed trajectories (σ_U, M) that are consistent with a given measured trajectory TR_O is computed. Note that this problem cannot be solved using standard algorithms (as the Viterbi algorithm) [28] issued from dynamic programming because such algorithms aim to find only the trajectory of maximum probability from the measured trajectory, but not all trajectories. For diagnosis issues it is however required to consider all trajectories. It is assumed that the set of the reachable states and also the reachability graph of the net are known. Let us define A_ε as the matrix of the reachability graph of the unobservable part of the PN where all transitions that are observable or whose firing changes the measured part of the marking have been removed and assume that this graph is acyclic (*Assumption C*). In that case, the maximal number of consecutive silent events is upper bounded by $h_{\text{max}} - 1$ [23] with

$$h_{\text{max}} = \min \{h \geq 0 \text{ such that } (A_\varepsilon)^h = 0\}. \quad (8)$$

Let us consider a timed measured trajectory TR_O of the form (7) with K measurements in time interval $[0, \tau_K]$. An untimed trajectory (σ_U, M) with $\sigma_U = T(1)T(2) \cdots T(H)$ is consistent with TR_O iff the following conditions are satisfied [27]:

- (1) $H \cdot M = M_O(0)$;
- (2) There exists $h_0 = 0, h_1, \dots, h_K$, such that $h_k - h_{k-1} \leq h_{\text{max}}$, $k = 1, \dots, K$, and the untimed firing sequence σ_U is rewritten as $\sigma_U = T(1) \cdots T(h_1) \cdots T(h_K)$ and satisfies the following:

$$\begin{pmatrix} -I_q & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -I_q & \ddots & \vdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & -I_q & 0 \\ (1_q)^T & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & (1_q)^T & \ddots & \vdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & (1_q)^T & 0 \\ W_{PR} & 0 & \cdots & 0 & -I_n \\ -W & W_{PR} & \ddots & \vdots & -I_n \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 & \vdots \\ -W & \cdots & -W & W_{PR} & -I_n \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} X(T(1)) \\ \vdots \\ X(T(h_1)) \\ X(T(h_1+1)) \\ \vdots \\ X(T(h_2)) \\ \vdots \\ X(T(h_K)) \\ M \end{pmatrix} \leq \begin{pmatrix} 0_q \\ 0_q \\ \vdots \\ 0_q \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \\ 0_n \\ 0_n \\ \vdots \\ 0_n \end{pmatrix} \quad (9)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} L & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \ddots & L & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & L \\ H \cdot W & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & H \cdot W & 0 \\ H \cdot W & \cdots & H \cdot W & H \cdot W \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} X(T(h_{k-1}+1)) \\ \vdots \\ X(T(h_k-1)) \\ X(T(h_k)) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon \\ e_O(\tau_k) \\ 0_{no} \\ \vdots \\ 0_{no} \\ M_O(\tau_k) - M_O(\tau_{k-1}) \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{for } k = 1, \dots, K, \quad (10)$$

where all inequalities are taken component wise. Roughly speaking inequality (9) means that the firing count vector of each transition in σ is positive, unitary, and feasible (i.e., leading to a positive marking). Equality (10) means that for $k = 1, \dots, K$, $h_k - 1$ first transitions are silent and only the last one may provide a label $e_O(\tau_k)$. Similarly it ensures that $h_k - 1$ first marking measurement does not provide any information and only the last one may provide marking changes $M_O(\tau_k) - M_O(\tau_{k-1})$. The combined use of

(9) and (10) leads to the exhaustive set of untimed trajectories that are consistent with TR_O [23, 27]. Note that $\Gamma_V^{-1}(\text{TR}_O)$ does not include the silent closure of the trajectories (i.e., the continuations of the trajectories that provide no event nor marking measurement) because the time interval $[0, \tau_K]$ ends with the last measurement (Assumption B) and the no immediate firing occurs (Assumption A5). If required, the silent closure can easily be added to $\Gamma_V^{-1}(\text{TR}_O)$ by considering the following equation in addition to (9) and (10):

$$\begin{pmatrix} L & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & L \\ H \cdot W & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & H \cdot W \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} X(T(h_K+1)) \\ \vdots \\ X(T(h_{K+1})) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon \\ 0_{no} \\ \vdots \\ 0_{no} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (11)$$

where $T(h_K+1) \cdots T(h_{K+1})$ stands for the silent closure.

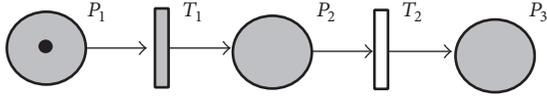


FIGURE 2: POTPN1.

Let us consider the marked POTPN1 of Figure 2 with $M_I = (1 \ 0 \ 0)^T$, a single observable transition T_2 , and no observable place (unobservable places and transitions are highlighted in grey). The set of labels is $E = \{e\}$ and the matrices $L = (0 \ 1)$ and $H = (0 \ 0 \ 0)$ define the sensor configuration. Measurements are collected over the time interval $[0, \tau_1]$. Assume that the measured trajectory $\text{TR}_O = 0(0) \ e(\tau_1) \ 0(\tau_1)$ is measured according to L and H . Note at first that the given example satisfies Assumptions A to C and that (8) leads to $h_{\max} = 2$. Thus, untimed trajectories (σ_U, M) are searched with $M \in \{(1 \ 0 \ 0)^T; (0 \ 1 \ 0)^T; (0 \ 0 \ 1)^T\}$ and $\sigma_U = T(1)T(2)$ with $T(2) = T_2$. Two untimed trajectories $(T_1 T_2, (1 \ 0 \ 0)^T)$ and $(T_2, (0 \ 1 \ 0)^T)$ are consistent with TR_O in this particular example. If we assume that the

first measured marking is M_I , then the single trajectory $(T_1 T_2, (1 \ 0 \ 0)^T)$ remains consistent with TR_O .

3.2. Probability of a Timed Trajectory with a Set of Given Firing Dates. A timed trajectory (σ, M) with $\sigma = T(t_1) \cdots T(t_h) \cdots T(t_H)$ is consistent with TR_O iff the corresponding untimed trajectory (σ_U, M) obtained by making abstraction of time satisfies the previous conditions (conditions 1 and 2 in Section 3.1) and if the date t_h , $h = 1, \dots, H$ satisfies the following conditions [23, 27]:

- (3) $t_1 \leq t_2 \leq \dots \leq t_H$ (i.e., the chronological order of the events results from σ_U).
- (4) There exists K dates t_{h_1}, \dots, t_{h_K} such that $t_{h_K} = \tau_K$.
- (5) The probability that each transition $T(t_h) \in \sigma$, $t_h \notin \{t_{h_1}, \dots, t_{h_K}\}$ fires within a small interval $[t_h, t_h + dt]$ of width dt is nonzero.

For each transition $T(t_h) \in \sigma$ that fires at date t_h , let us consider the firing duration d_h of transition $T(t_h)$ and introduce $t_{h'}$ and $M(t_{h'})$ as the date and marking from which transition $T(t_h)$ remains enabled. Thus $T(t_h)$ is enabled from date $t_{h'}$ and fires at date t_h .

$$(\sigma, M) = M(0) [T(t_1)] M(t_1) \cdots [T(t_{h'})] M(t_{h'}) \cdots [T(t_h)] M(t_h) \cdots [T(t_H)] M(\tau_K),$$

$$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{d_h = t_h - t_{h'}} \quad (12)$$

The problem solved in this section is to evaluate the probability that the transitions of (σ, M) in (12) fire in specific intervals $[t_h, t_h + dt]$, $h = 1, \dots, H$ knowing that the measurement dates are τ and that the untimed trajectory (σ_U, M) is the true one. This probability is noted $\text{prob}(\{t_h, h \in [1 : H]\} \mid (\sigma_U, M) \text{ and } \tau)$. In the case where $d_h = t_h - t_{h'}$ are independent RV, the following holds:

$$\text{prob}(\{t_h, h \in [1 : H]\} \mid (\sigma_U, M) \text{ and } \tau) = \prod_{h=1, \dots, H} (f_h(d_h) \cdot dt). \quad (13)$$

The difficulty is that variables d_h are not necessarily independent RV. Table 1 details the different situations (type 1, 2, or 3) that may occur depending on whether the dates t_h and $t_{h'}$ are measured or not.

Situations of type 1, 2, or 3 will be used in the next section to evaluate the probability that a timed trajectory satisfies the temporal constraints.

3.3. Probability That a Timed Trajectory Satisfies the Temporal Constraints. The probability that any timed trajectory (σ, M) , obtained from untimed trajectory (σ_U, M) and consistent with TR_O , satisfies the set of temporal constraints **TC** results from the extension and integration of (13) with respect to the 3 types of situations described in Table 1. This leads to the following:

$$\text{prob}((\sigma, M) \text{ satisfies } \mathbf{TC} \mid (\sigma_U, M) \text{ and } \tau) = \frac{S_1(\sigma_U, M, \mathbf{TC}, \tau)}{S_2(\sigma_U, M, \tau)} \quad (14)$$

with

$$S_1(\sigma_U, M, \mathbf{TC}, \tau) = \int_{b_1}^{B_1} g_1(t_1 - \tau_0) \cdots \left(\int_{b_h}^{B_h} g_h(t_h - t_{h'}) \cdots \left(\int_{b_H}^{B_H} g_H(t_H - t_{H'}) \cdot dt_H \right) \cdots dt_h \right) \cdots dt_1,$$

$$S_2(\sigma_U, M, \tau) = \int_{\tau_0}^{\tau_K} g_1(t_1 - \tau_0) \cdots \left(\int_{t_{h-1}}^{\tau_K} g_h(t_h - t_{h'}) \cdots \left(\int_{t_{H-1}}^{\tau_K} g_H(t_H - t_{H'}) \cdot dt_H \right) \cdots dt_h \right) \cdots dt_1, \quad (15)$$

TABLE 1: Deterministic and random variables introduced to evaluate $\text{prob}(\{t_h, h \in [1 : H]\} \mid (\sigma_U, M)$ and $\boldsymbol{\tau}$).

$t_{h'}/t_h$	Measured: $t_h = \tau_k$	Unmeasured: t_h is a RV
Measured: $t_{h'} = \tau_{k'}$	Type 1: d_h is a deterministic variable $d_h = \tau_k - \tau_{k'}$ is measured	Type 3: d_h is a new RV $d_h = t_h - \tau_{k'}$
Unmeasured: $t_{h'}$ is a RV	Type 2: d_h is a RV that depends on a RV of type 3 $d_{h'}$ $d_h = \tau_k - t_{h'}$	Type 3: d_h is a new RV $d_h = t_h - t_{h'}$

TABLE 2: Bounds and functions for (15).

d_h	Type 2: t_h is a measured date	Type 3: t_h is an unknown date
$g_h(t_h)$	$f_{h'}(t_{h'} - t_{h''}) \cdot (\prod_{h \in \text{Class}(h')} (f_h(t_h - t_{h'})))$	$f_h(t_h - t_{h'})$
b_h	$\max(t_{h-1}, t_{h''} + \delta_{h'}, \max_{\{h \in \text{Class}(h')\}} (t_h - \Delta_h))^*$	$\max(t_{h-1}, t_{h'} + \delta_h)$
B_h	$\min(\tau_K, t_{h''} + \Delta_{h'}, \min_{\{h \in \text{Class}(h')\}} (t_h - \delta_h))^*$	$\min(\tau_K, t_{h'} + \Delta_h)$

* $b_1 = \delta_1$ and $B_1 = \min(\tau_K, \Delta_1)$.

where dates b_h and B_h and functions g_h are defined in Table 2 for $h \in [1 : H]$. Note that if d_h is of type 1 (i.e., d_h is a deterministic variable), then $\text{prob}(t_h \mid (\sigma_U, M)$ and $\boldsymbol{\tau}) = 1$ if $d_h \in [\delta_h, \Delta_h]$; otherwise $\text{prob}(t_h \mid (\sigma_U, M)$ and $\boldsymbol{\tau}) = 0$. Thus situations of type 1 are no longer considered and (15) does not necessarily include all variables d_h . To simplify the notation let us also divide the transitions of type 2 in several classes referred to as $\text{Class}(h')$ formally defined by the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Class}(h') &= \{h \text{ such that } T(t_h) \\ &\text{is of type 2 and } T(t_h) \\ &\text{remains enabled from } M(t_{h'})\}. \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

In other words, $\text{Class}(h')$ is the set of transitions of type 2 (their firing date is measured) that are enabled at the same date $t_{h'}$.

Roughly speaking, $S_1(\sigma_U, M, \mathbf{TC}, \boldsymbol{\tau})$ is a multi-integral that evaluates the sum of the duration variables d_h over their possible range of variation constrained by the measurement time interval $[0, \tau_K]$, the dates of measurements τ_k , and the temporal specifications $[\delta_h, \Delta_h]$. Similarly, $S_2(\sigma_U, M, \boldsymbol{\tau})$ evaluates the sum of the duration variables d_h over their possible range of variation constrained only by the measurement time interval $[0, \tau_K]$ and the dates of measurements τ_k (the temporal specifications $[\delta_h, \Delta_h]$ are not considered). The ratio of both evaluations leads to the probability that any timed trajectory (σ, M) , resulting from untimed trajectory (σ_U, M) and consistent with $\boldsymbol{\tau}$, satisfies the set of temporal constraints \mathbf{TC} . From a numerical point of view the calculation of $S_1(\sigma_U, M, \mathbf{TC}, \boldsymbol{\tau})$ and $S_2(\sigma_U, M, \boldsymbol{\tau})$ is obtained with a recursive algorithm.

3.4. Detection of the Temporal Faults. In the general case, several untimed trajectories (σ_U, M) may be consistent with a given timed measured trajectory TR_O in time interval $[0, \tau_K]$ (i.e., $\Gamma_U^{-1}(\text{TR}_O)$ contains more than one trajectory). This situation is due to two different reasons: (1) several markings M may be consistent with the first marking

measurement $M_O(0)$; (2) from a given marking M , several untimed sequences may be consistent with the measured trajectory TR_O . In order to deal with (1), let us consider $M_0(\text{TR}_O)$ as the set of markings consistent with $M_O(0)$ and $\pi_0(M)$ as the probability that M is the current marking at date 0 such that $\sum_{M \in M_0(\text{TR}_O)} \pi_0(M) = 1$. The set $M_0(\text{TR}_O)$ and the probability $\pi_0(M)$ for each $M \in M_0(\text{TR}_O)$ are assumed to be known (*Assumption D*). Note that Assumption D can be relaxed for PNs without absorbing subsets of markings by considering the steady state probability of M as $\pi_0(M)$. In order to deal with (2), the probability of each sequence issued from the same marking M and consistent with TR_O is evaluated with the following:

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{prob}((\sigma_U, M) \mid \text{TR}_O \text{ and } M) \\ &= \frac{S_2(\sigma_U, M, \boldsymbol{\tau})}{\sum_{(\sigma'_U, M) \in \Gamma_U^{-1}(\text{TR}_O)} (S_2(\sigma'_U, M, \boldsymbol{\tau}))}. \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

Finally the probability of each trajectory (σ_U, M) is obtained with

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{prob}((\sigma_U, M) \mid \text{TR}_O) \\ &= \pi_0(M) \cdot \left(\frac{S_2(\sigma_U, M, \boldsymbol{\tau})}{\sum_{(\sigma'_U, M) \in \Gamma_U^{-1}(\text{TR}_O)} (S_2(\sigma'_U, M, \boldsymbol{\tau}))} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

and $\text{prob}(\text{TR}_O \text{ satisfies } \mathbf{TC}) = \text{prob}((\sigma_U, M) \mid \text{TR}_O) \cdot \text{prob}((\sigma, M) \text{ satisfies } \mathbf{TC} \mid (\sigma_U, M) \text{ and } \boldsymbol{\tau})$. This last equation leads to

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{prob}(\text{TR}_O \text{ satisfies } \mathbf{TC}) \\ &= \pi_0(M) \cdot \left(\frac{S_1(\sigma_U, M, \mathbf{TC}, \boldsymbol{\tau})}{\sum_{(\sigma'_U, M) \in \Gamma_U^{-1}(\text{TR}_O)} (S_2(\sigma'_U, M, \boldsymbol{\tau}))} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

Then, the diagnosis of temporal faults results from the iterative evaluation of (19). For that purpose, a sampling period Δt is considered and for each date $t = k \cdot \Delta t$, $\text{prob}(\text{TR}_O \text{ satisfies } \mathbf{TC})$ is updated depending on the eventual

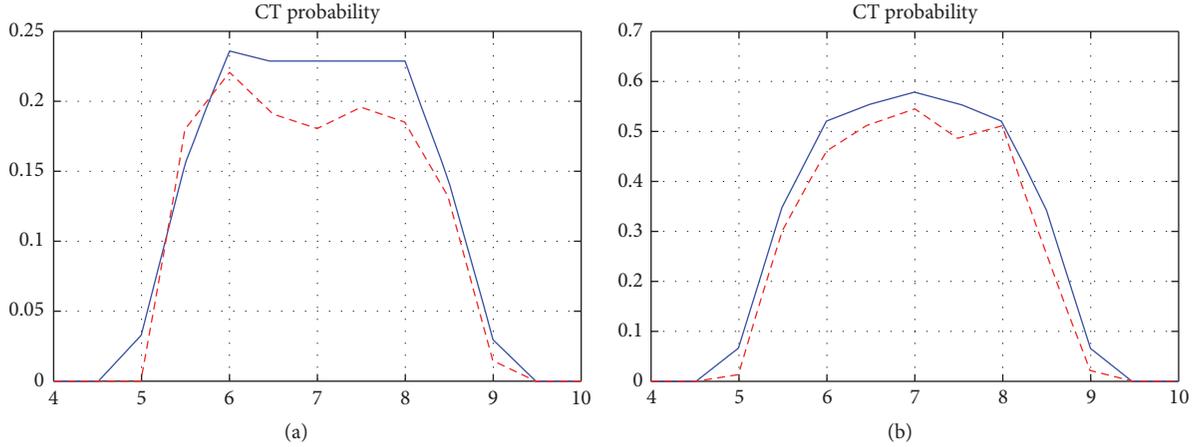


FIGURE 3: Computation and Monte Carlo simulations to evaluate $\text{prob}(\text{TR}_O \text{ satisfies TC})$ in function of τ_1 : bounded uniform pdfs (a); symmetrical triangular pdfs (b).

new measurements that are collected during time interval $[(k-1) \cdot \Delta t, k \cdot \Delta t]$. Formally, if $\text{TR}_O(k)$ refers to the measured trajectory collected during time interval $[0, k \cdot \Delta t]$, the probability $\text{prob}(\text{TR}_O(k) \text{ satisfies TC})$ will be compared to a given threshold γ and an alarm is generated each time $\text{prob}(\text{TR}_O(k) \text{ satisfies TC}) < \gamma$.

Let us consider again POTPN1 of Figure 2 introduced in Section 3.1. If the first measured marking is assumed to coincide with M_I then $M_0(\text{TR}_O) = \{(1 \ 0 \ 0)^T, (0 \ 1 \ 0)^T\}$ with $\pi_0((1 \ 0 \ 0)^T) = 1$ and $\pi_0((0 \ 1 \ 0)^T) = 0$. The timed trajectories (σ, M) consistent with $\text{TR}_O = 0(0) \ e(\tau_1) \ 0(\tau_1)$ satisfy also $\sigma = T(t_1)T(t_2)$ with $T(t_1) = T_1$, $T(t_2) = T_2$, $t_2 = \tau_1$, and $t_1 \leq \tau_1$. Two successive cases are considered to illustrate the computation of $\text{prob}(\text{TR}_O \text{ satisfies TC})$ with (19).

In case A, the pdfs of the transition durations are assumed to be bounded uniform with the same support $[0, 10]$ for T_1 and T_2 . The temporal constraints are arbitrarily defined by $\text{TC}_1 = [4, 6]$ for T_1 and $\text{TC}_2 = [3, 7]$ for T_2 . $\text{Prob}(\text{TR}_O \text{ satisfies TC})$ computed with (19) is reported in Figure 3(a) (full line) in function of the date τ_1 . For the considered example, this equation can be rewritten as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{prob}(\text{TR}_O \text{ satisfies TC}) \\ = \frac{\int_{\max(\delta_1, \tau_1 - \delta_2)}^{\min(\Delta_1, \tau_1 - \delta_2)} f_1(t) \cdot f_2(\tau_1 - t) \cdot dt}{\int_0^{\tau_1} f_1(t) \cdot f_2(\tau_1 - t) \cdot dt} \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

Note that this probability is zero for $\tau_1 < 7 \text{ TU}$ (one lower bound at least is not satisfied for the temporal constraints) and also for $\tau_1 > 13 \text{ TU}$ (one upper bound at least is not satisfied for the temporal constraints). This computation is confirmed with a series of 1000 Monte Carlo simulations that coincide with TR_O (dashed line). Depending on the choice of the threshold γ , an alarm may be generated. For example, for $\gamma = 0.2$, an alarm is generated if $\tau_1 \in [8.5, 11.3]$.

In case B, the pdfs of the transition durations are assumed to be symmetrical triangular with supports $[1, 4]$ for T_1

and $[2, 7]$ for T_2 . The temporal constraints are, respectively, $\text{TC}_1 = [2, 3]$ for T_1 and $\text{TC}_2 = [3, 6]$ for T_2 . $\text{Prob}(\text{TR}_O \text{ satisfies TC})$ is computed with (19) in Figure 3(b) (full line) in function of the date τ_1 . This computation is also validated with a series of 1000 Monte Carlo simulations that coincide with TR_O (dashed line).

3.5. Numerical Complexity. The numerical complexity of the whole diagnosis schema is due (a) to the computation of $\Gamma_U^{-1}(\text{TR}_O)$; (b) to the numerical evaluation of (19).

(a) The complexity to compute $\Gamma_U^{-1}(\text{TR}_O)$ is related to the resolution of (9) and (10) that include $h_{\max} \cdot K \cdot (n + q + 1)$ inequalities and $h_{\max} \cdot K \cdot (n_o + p)$ equalities with $h_{\max} \cdot K \cdot q + n$ unknown integer variables. Basically, the complexity is exponential with respect to the number N of reachable markings in $\mathbf{R}(G, M_I)$ and to the length K of the measured trajectories (h_{\max} is a constant parameter). Branch and bound algorithms can be used to solve (9)-(10) as an integer linear programming problem (LPP) [24]. These algorithms have a general nonpolynomial complexity but limit the computational effort in many practical situations. An algorithm of linear complexity has been also developed in our previous work that limits the length K of the timed measured trajectories under test. It considers measured trajectories within a sliding window of constant size K_0 instead of increasing size K [25] and leads to an algorithm of linear complexity with respect to K . Note also that the complexity with respect to N is no longer exponential if the set $M_0(\text{TR}_O)$ is known (Assumption D).

(b) The numerical evaluation of (19) is obtained according to a recursive scheme with a deep equal to the number of transitions of type 2 or 3 in the considered sequence. Consequently the computation effort increases rapidly in time and in space with respect to the sequence length. To limit the computational complexity, the trajectory (σ, M) is divided into S subtrajectories that are considered successively and independently: $(\sigma, M) = (\sigma_1, M_1) \cdots (\sigma_S, M_S)$

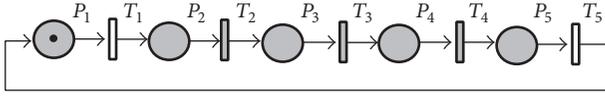


FIGURE 4: POTPN2.

with $M_1 = M$. Each subtrajectory (σ_s, M_s) is of minimal length such that (i) (σ_s, M_s) ends with a measurement

$$\begin{array}{c}
 (\sigma, M) = (\sigma_1, M_1) \\
 (\sigma, M) = \boxed{M(0) [T(t_1)] M(t_1) \cdots [T(t_{h''})]} \\
 \text{-----} \\
 d_{h''} = t_{h''} - t_1
 \end{array}
 \quad \Bigg| \quad
 \begin{array}{c}
 (\sigma_2, M_2) \\
 \boxed{M(t_{h'}) \cdots [T(t_{h'})] M(t_{h'}) \cdots [T(t_h)] M(t_h) \cdots [T(t_H)] M(\tau_K)} \\
 \text{-----} \\
 d_h = t_h - t_{h'} \\
 \text{-----} \\
 d_H = t_H - t_{h''}.
 \end{array}
 \tag{21}$$

3.6. Example. Let us consider the marked POTPN2 of Figure 4 (unobservable places and transitions are highlighted in grey) that represents a cycle of tasks. The state of the system is not measured and only two events are observed. The set of labels is $\mathbf{E} = \{e_1, e_2\}$. The matrices $L = ((1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0)^T \mid (0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1)^T)^T$ and $H = (0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0)$ define the sensor configuration. Measurements are collected over the time interval $[0, 20]$ and the measured trajectory $\text{TR}_O = 0(0) \ e_1(3.7) \ 0(3.7) \ e_2(20) \ 0(20)$ is considered. For this example $h_{\max} = 4$ and a single untimed trajectory

(σ_U, M_U) with $\sigma_U = T_1(1)T_2(2)T_3(3)T_4(4)T_5(5)$ is consistent with TR_O . The timed trajectories (σ, M_I) consistent with TR_O satisfy $\sigma = T(t_1)T(t_2)T(t_3)T(t_4)T(t_5)$ with $T(t_1) = T_1, T(t_5) = T_5, t_1 = 3.7 \text{ TU}, t_5 = 20 \text{ TU}$, and $t_1 \leq t_2 \leq t_3 \leq t_4 \leq t_5$. The pdfs of the transition durations are assumed to be bounded uniform with the same support $[0, 10]$ for $T_j, j = 1:5$. The temporal constraints are also assumed to be identical $\text{TC}_j = [1, 9]$ for $j = 1:5$.

$\text{Prob}(\text{TR}_O \text{ satisfies TC}) = S_1/S_2 = 0.46$ is obtained by (19) with

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_1 &= \int_{\tau_1 + \delta_2}^{\tau_1 + \Delta_2} f_2(t_2 - \tau_1) \cdot \left(\int_{t_2 + \delta_3}^{t_2 + \Delta_3} f_3(t_3 - t_2) \cdot \left(\int_{\min(t_3 + \delta_4, \tau_5 - \Delta_5)}^{\max(t_3 + \Delta_4, \tau_5 + \delta_5)} f_4(t_4 - t_3) \cdot f_5(\tau_5 - t_4) dt_4 \right) dt_3 \right) dt_2 = 0.024, \\
 S_2 &= \int_0^{\tau_5} f_2(t_2 - \tau_1) \cdot \left(\int_{t_2}^{\tau_5} f_3(t_3 - t_2) \cdot \left(\int_{\min(t_3, \tau_5)}^{\tau_5} f_4(t_4 - t_3) \cdot f_5(\tau_5 - t_4) dt_4 \right) dt_3 \right) dt_2 = 0.054.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{22}$$

This computation is validated with a series of simulations that leads to a probability of 0.47. The evaluation of $\text{Prob}(\text{TR}_O \text{ satisfies TC})$ with (19) saves time compared to the numerical evaluation based on simulation.

4. Conclusion

This article has proposed a diagnosis system that checks if the heterogeneous measurements obtained from a stochastic timed discrete event system with an uncomplete sensor configuration are consistent or not with a set of temporal constraints that specify tolerance intervals for the system operations. For this purpose, the set of trajectories consistent with a given timed measured trajectory are first characterized. Then the consistency of each trajectory with the temporal constraints is estimated as a probability. Finally the probability of each trajectory is also evaluated and the global

probability that the temporal constraints are satisfied results from the previous steps. The diagnosis system returns an alarm each time this probability goes below a given threshold. The contribution is validated with simulation results.

In the future, we will consider the isolation of the temporal constraints that are unsatisfied. We will relax some assumptions, in particular Assumption B, in order to consider the silent closure of the trajectories. We will also study the problem from a structural point of view by providing some results to decide whether a set of sensors is suitable or not to check that a set of temporal constraints is satisfied. Finally we aim to apply the proposed approach to larger systems.

Conflicts of Interest

The author declares that there are no conflicts of interest regarding the publication of this paper.

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