

# FD Threshold Design for Uncertain Nonlinear Systems

With Probabilistic Performance Guarantees

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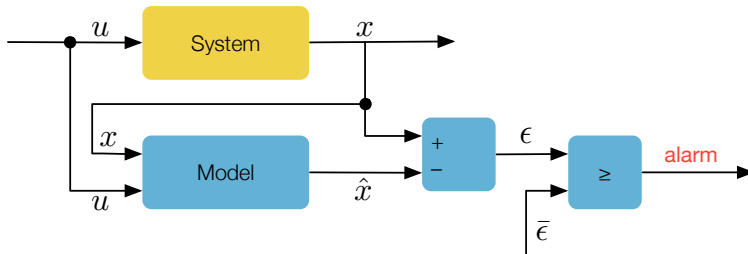
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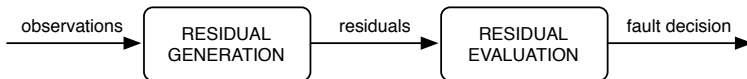


# Model Based Fault Detection Concepts

- The basis of fault detection concept is:



- A basic point is to have observer that generate residual:



# Outline

- ① Uncertain Nonlinear Systems Fault Detection
- ② Fault Threshold Design Frameworks
- ③ Simulation Study
- ④ Conclusions

# Observers for Model Based Fault Detection

- Uncertain nonlinear system under fault: additive terms of system **nominal behavior, uncertainties, and fault functions**

$$\begin{aligned} x_{k+1} &= \boxed{g(x_k, u_k)} + \boxed{\eta(x_k, u_k, w_k)} + \boxed{\phi(x_k, u_k, f_k)} \\ \text{nominal} &\swarrow \searrow \\ y_k &= \boxed{Hx_k} + \boxed{v_k} \rightarrow \text{uncertainty} \quad \text{fault function} \end{aligned}$$

- $w_k, v_k$  are independent and identically distributed random variables
- Estimator can be built such as:

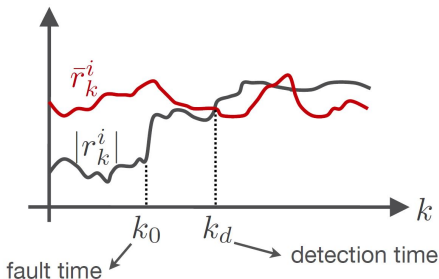
$$\hat{x}_{k+1} = g(y_k, u_k) + \Lambda(\hat{x}_k - y_k)$$

# Observers for Model Based Fault Detection

Define the residual signal to be as:

$$r_k = y_k - \hat{x}_k$$

- $\bar{r}_k$ : corresponding threshold
- faults can be detected by comparing  $|r_k|$  with  $\bar{r}_k$
- the threshold is needed to be robust w.r.t. uncertainties



## Detectability Concept

A fault will be detected if the absolute value of at least one component of the residual crosses the threshold.

# Observers for Model Based Fault Detection

- The residual dynamics obey the following equation:

$$r_{k+1} = y_{k+1} - \hat{x}_{k+1} = \boxed{\Lambda} r_k + \boxed{\delta_k} + \boxed{\phi(x_k, u_k, f_k)}$$

$\Lambda := \text{diag}(\lambda^i)$       total uncertainty      fault function

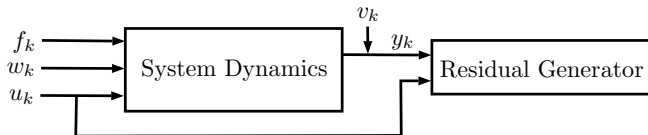
- $\delta_k$  represents all the sources of uncertainty (model and output):

$$\delta_{k+1} = \boxed{g(x_k, u_k) - g(y_k, u_k)} + \boxed{\eta(x_k, u_k, w_k)} + \boxed{v_{k+1}}$$

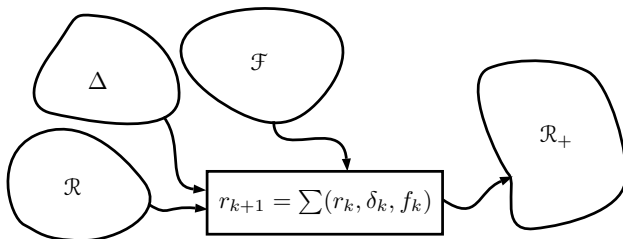
effect of output uncertainty on evaluating nominal dynamics      model uncertainty      output uncertainty

# Residual Generator System Dynamics

- General configuration of FD with dynamical residual:



- Residual image set with uncertainty  $\delta_k$  and faulty signal  $f_k$ :



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# Robust Threshold Design of Fault Detection

- Robust threshold problem<sup>1</sup> assumes a known uncertainties bound:

$$|\delta_k^i| \leq \bar{\delta}_k^i$$

- Robust threshold problem leads to a deterministic solution to avoid false alarms in the absence of faults:

$$\bar{r}_{k+1}^i = \lambda^i \bar{r}_k^i + \bar{\delta}_k^i$$

- This is a very strong assumption on the uncertainties:

$$\mathbb{P} [|\delta_k^i| > \bar{\delta}_k^i] = 0, \forall k$$

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<sup>1</sup>B. Svetozarevic, et al. ACC 2013

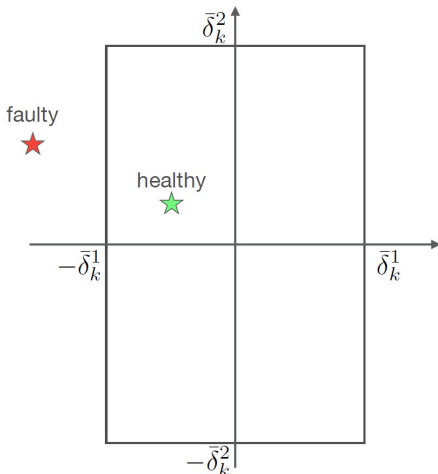
# Robust Threshold Design of Fault Detection

- Robust approach guarantees: zero false alarms probability, in practice **excessively conservative**
- In healthy conditions the bounded uncertainty set:

$$r_{k+1}^i - \lambda^i r_k^i = \delta_k^i \in \Delta$$

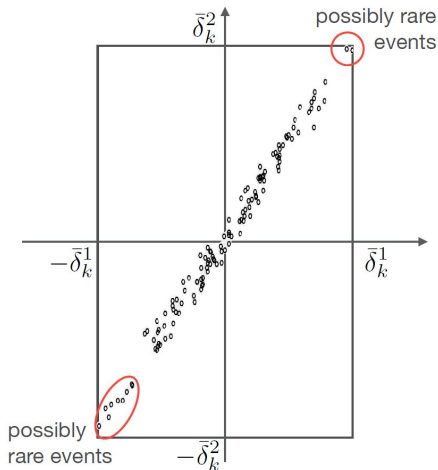
- A hyper-rectangular healthy set:

$$\Delta = \Pi_i[-\bar{\delta}_k^i, \bar{\delta}_k^i], \forall k$$



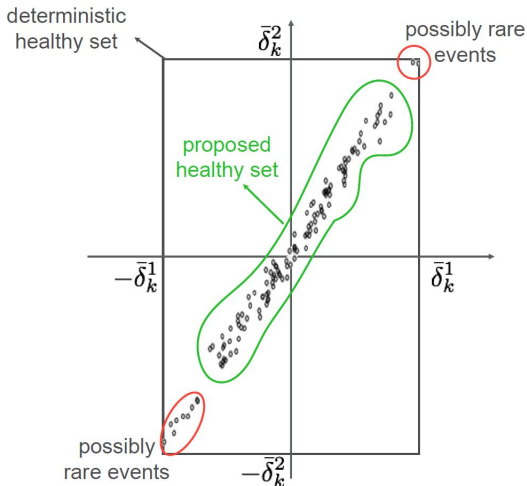
# Robust Threshold Design of Fault Detection

- A cloud of uncertainty samples will in general **not be rectangular!**
- A worst-case uncertainty even **very rare values** are considered!
- This leads to the worst fault **detectability issues!**



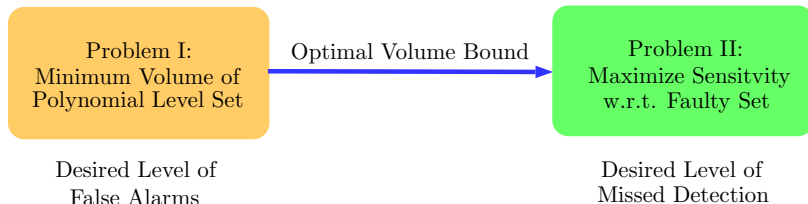
# Probabilistic Threshold Design of Fault Detection<sup>2</sup>

- Relax zero false alarm probability improves detectability
- No longer a robust guarantee on the false alarms' absence
- Design healthy sets with arbitrary shape, rather than very conservative hyper-rectangles



<sup>2</sup>V. Rostampour, et al. 2016

# Proposed Novel Framework<sup>3</sup>



## Probabilistic Performance Guarantees

Given decision dimension ( $d$ ), fix the false alarm ( $\varepsilon$ ) and missed detection ( $\alpha$ ) ratios with the desired confidence level ( $\beta$ ). If  $N_s(d, \varepsilon, \beta)$  samples is considered, then the optimal solution will be probabilistically feasible with high confidence level ( $1 - \beta$ ).

<sup>3</sup>V. Rostampour, et al. 2016

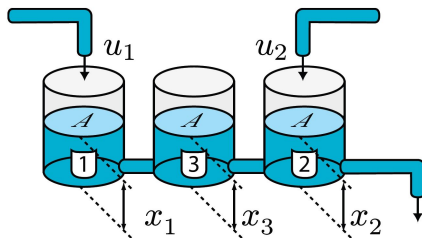
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# Benchmark Case Study: Three-Tank System<sup>4</sup>

- Uncertainties source is model mismatch: tanks and pipes' cross section and outflow coefficient
- Fault classes: the first or second pump shut down, leakage in the first tank
- A fault corresponding to a reduction in the inflow provided by the first pump is introduced

classical nonlinear system used as a  
**benchmark in FDI**



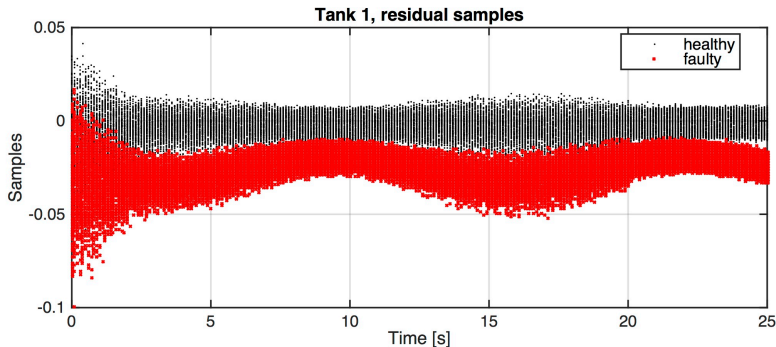
nominal dynamics can be easily  
written as a discrete-time nonlinear

<sup>4</sup>R. Ferrari, et al. ACC 2008

# Healthy and Faulty Residuals

Analysis of healthy and faulty residuals:

- the healthy and faulty residuals are very close

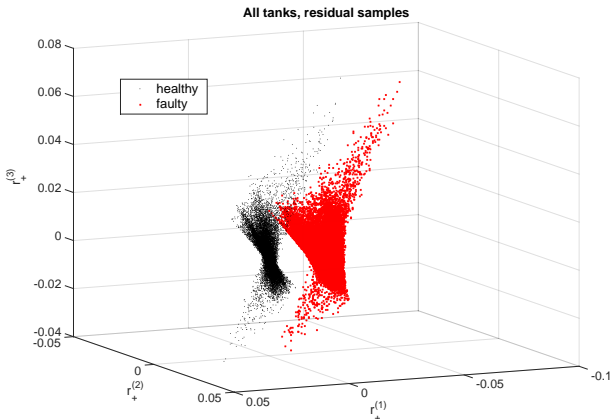




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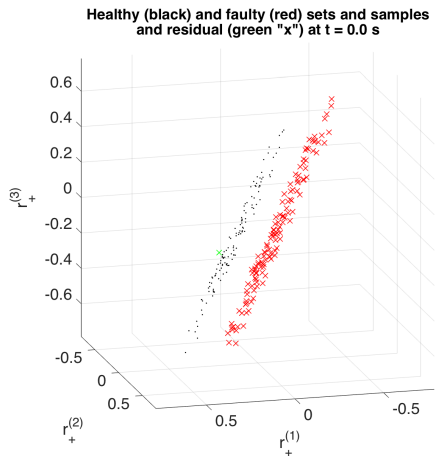
Analysis of healthy and faulty residuals:

- the healthy and faulty residuals for all residual samples



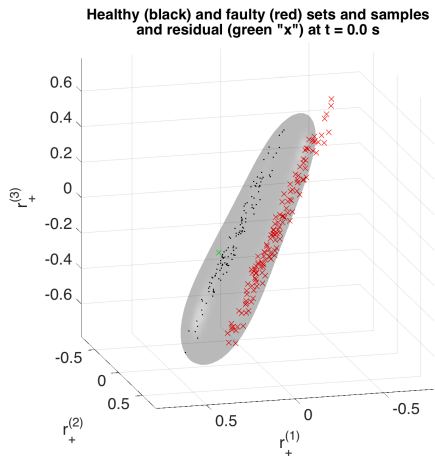
# Solution of Proposed Framework

- ① Healthy and faulty residual samples
- ② Healthy polynomial set found in Problem I
- ③ Faulty polynomial set that will be used in Problem II
- ④ New healthy polynomial set found as solution of Problem II



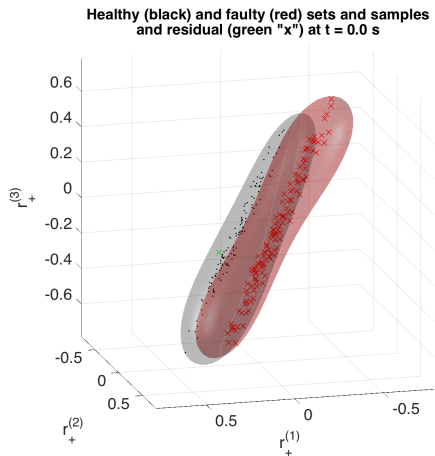
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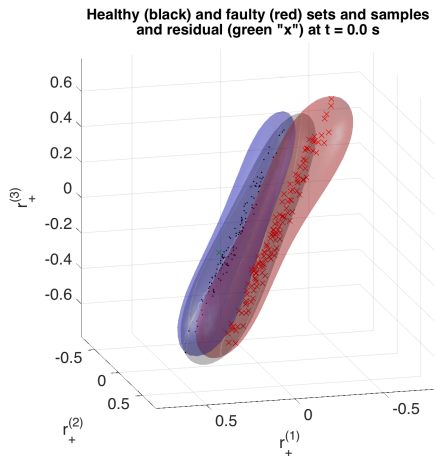
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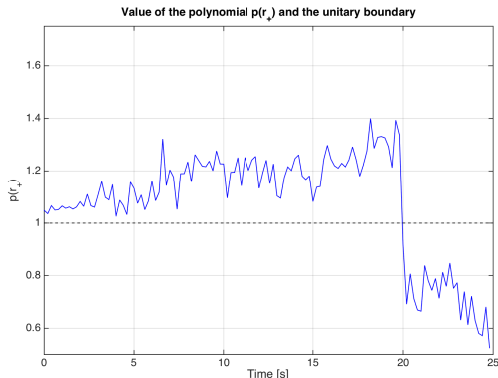
# Fault Detection with Isolation Perspective

- Green  $\times$  is the residual
- Black points are healthy residual samples
- Red points are faulty residual samples

- ① Just before the fault
- ② Just after the fault

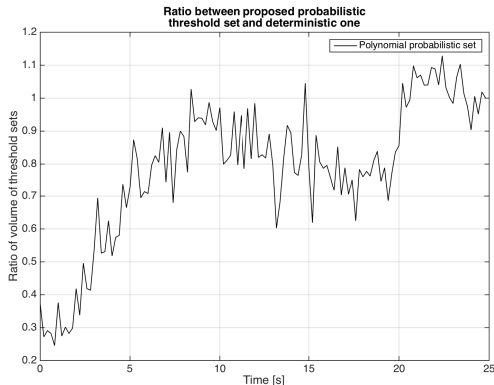
# Dynamical Behavior of the Residual Signal

- Values of the polynomial threshold set computed at the residual
- Values greater than one means: **healthy**
- Values smaller than one means: **faulty**
- The fault is introduced at  $T_f = 20s$  with sampling time  $T_s = 0.1s$



# Polynomial vs. Hyper-Rectangle Threshold Set

- Proposed probabilistic polynomial threshold set with guarantees vs. classic deterministic hyper rectangle
- Volume of proposed threshold set is smaller in healthy conditions
- Proposed framework leads to better detectability





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# Concluding Remarks

- A novel approach to the design of fault detection thresholds for uncertain nonlinear systems
- A-priori probabilistic guarantees on the performance level in terms of false alarm and missed detection ratios as the theoretical results
- Validation of the advantages of the proposed framework using simulation results on the well known three-tank benchmark

## Next steps:

- Extension to Fault Detectability, Isolability and Identifiability for the general faulty classes

**Thank You!**  
**Questions?**

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