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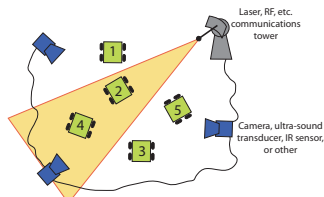
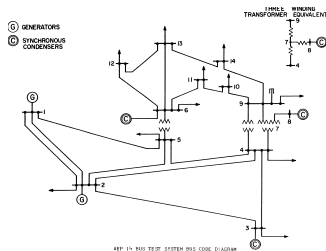
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Motivation

- Sensor Smart Grids - Attacks or errors at the communication network can severely impact on the physical component.
- Robot Coordination - Formations of robots can also be seen as another example of a system with a communication network on top.





Cyber-physical System

- There are various physical components with their own dynamics.
- A communication network to manage the devices.
- We study the particular example of smart grids.
- Main issue: it is required a fast and distributed strategy to detect faults or attacks.

Smart grid model

- A smart grid is composed of:
 - n generator buses;
 - m load buses;
- network can be incorporated using its Laplacian matrix
- Using the dynamic linearized swing equation and the algebraic DC power flow equation, the model becomes:

$$N_c \dot{x}(t) = A_c x(t) + p(t) \quad (1)$$

- state $x = [\delta^T \omega^T \theta^T]^T \in \mathbb{R}^{2n+m}$ with:
 - $\delta \in \mathbb{R}^n$ - generator rotor angles;
 - $\omega \in \mathbb{R}^n$ - frequencies;
 - $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^m$ - bus voltage angles.



Problem Statement

- Given that the network is connected, $\theta(t)$ can be written using the other variables;
- The system is rewritten from an algebraic differential model to a kron-reduced version;
- After discretization, it becomes a Linear Time-Invariant (LTI) model:

$$\begin{aligned} x(k+1) &= Ax(k) + Bu(k) + Ff(k) + Ed(k) \\ y(k) &= Cx(k) + Du(k) + Lf(k) + Nd(k) \end{aligned}, \quad (2)$$

Fault detection problem in Cyber-physical systems

How to perform fault detection without knowledge of the fault inputs? Is it a fast and distributed algorithm?

Centralized solution 1/2

- A node estimates the subnetwork of interest;
- No uncertainty in the model;
- New estimate for the state can be obtained by the inequality:

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} M(k)A^{-1} & -M(k)A^{-1}E \\ \bar{C} & 0 \\ 0 & \bar{I} \end{bmatrix}}_{M(k+1)} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{d} \end{bmatrix} \leq \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} m(k) + \tilde{u}(k) \\ \bar{y}(k+1) + \nu^* \mathbf{1} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_{m(k+1)} \quad (3)$$

- Propagation equation

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- **Intersection with measurements**

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- **Bounds on disturbances**

Centralized solution 2/2

- The generalized solution exists for singular matrices A
- We can include previous time instants
- If we use a coprime factorization providing $P(z) = G^{-1}(z)Q(z)$ represented in

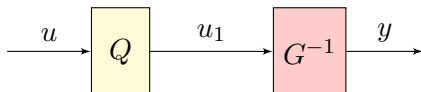


Figure: Schematic representation of the two coprime systems.

Decentralized solution

- Replace the known matrix A in the centralized version by:

$$A = A_0 + \sum_{\ell=1}^{n_{\Delta}} \Delta_{\ell} A_{\ell} \quad (4)$$

- Uncertainty parameters Δ_{ℓ} are used to represent the unknown dynamics
- The set can be obtained by computing the convex hull for each of the uncertainty vertex:

$$\tilde{X}(k+1) = \text{co} \left(\bigcup_{\theta \in \mathcal{H}} \text{Set}(M_{\theta}(k+1), m_{\theta}(k+1)) \right) \quad (5)$$

Results

- Centralized solution
 - If the system with n states is observable, convergence of the estimates is achieved in n time instants.
- Distributed solution
 - Convergence is governed by the slowest mode.
- In both cases, maximum magnitude for the attacker can be found by solving:

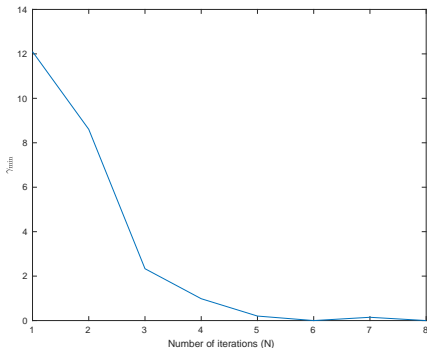
$$\gamma_{\min} \geq \max_{A_H x \leq b_H} x^T P_A x. \quad (6)$$

- P_A defining all the quadratic weights for the fault signals;
- A_H and b_H define the polytope containing all possible states.

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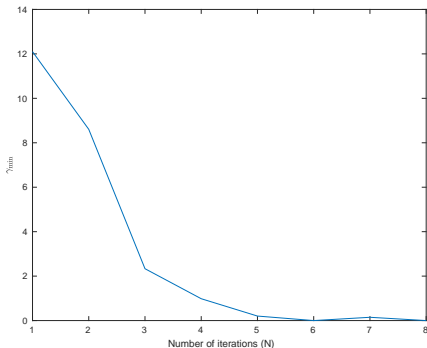




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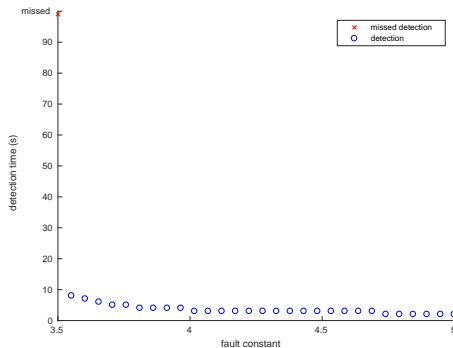
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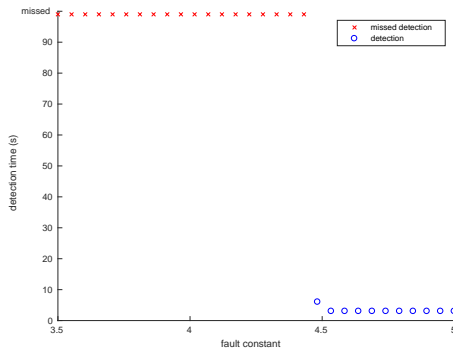
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Concluding Remarks

Contributions:

- We have shown how to perform worst-case fault detection
 - centralized - one node with full knowledge of the network;
 - distributed - various node with a partial view.
- It is possible to give theoretical results about the convergence time;
- Finally, under the framework of distinguishability of models, it was possible to give worst-case bounds on the attacker signal.

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