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## Model-Based Approach for Fault Diagnosis. 1. Principles of Deep Model Algorithm

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Equation types of deep models are often employed in fault diagnosis. Upon diagnosis this quantitative process knowledge is utilized as a criterion for satisfaction/violation in a Boolean or non-Boolean manner. Therefore, the resolution of equation-oriented fault diagnosis systems is often limited to, at most, fault isolation at a qualitative level. A deep model algorithm (DMA) is proposed to improve diagnostic resolution. First, tolerances of model equations are defined for each model equation with respect to each fault origin. Following the new definition of tolerance, degree of fault is defined to detect the level of fault and a consistency factor is used to evaluate the consistency given by different model equations. A CSTR example is used to illustrate the resolution of DMA. Results show that the proposed method is effective in identifying fault origins.

#### 1. Introduction

Fault diagnosis has received a great deal of attention recently (Willsky, 1976; Himmeblau, 1978; Venkatasubramanian and Rich, 1979; Mah and Tamhane, 1982; Isermann, 1984; Iri et al., 1985; Kramer and Palowitch, 1987; Ramesh et al., 1988; Davis, 1988; Ulerich and Powers, 1988; Petti et al., 1990; Hoskins et al., 1991; Yu and Lee, 1992; Gertler and Anderson, 1992; Ungar and Psichogios, 1992; Chang et al., 1993). The reason for this is obvious, since chemical plants are operated, if not optimally, at least safely from an operating point of view. Furthermore, most modern chemical plants are controlled with distributed control systems (DCS). This implies that the availability of process data poses little technical problems for online fault diagnosis. The only problem remaining is an appropriate methodology for utilizing these process data in a real-time environment. Quantrille and Liu (1991) give a good review on process fault diagnosis.

From the rigorousness of the process model employed, the diagnostic systems can be classified into quantitative model-based approach. The Kalman filter approaches (Mah and Tamhane, 1982; Himmeblau, 1978; Fathi et al., 1992), the neutral network approaches (Ungar and Psichogios, 1992; Himmeblau, 1989; Hoskins et al., 1991; Fan et al., 1993), expert systems (Dhurjati et al., 1987; Davis et al., 1988), and equation-oriented model-based approaches (Reiter, 1987; Kramer, 1987; Petti et al., 1990; Frank, 1990; Isermann, 1991a and 1991b; Gertler and Anderson, 1992) fall into this category. The signed directed graph (SDG) methods (Kramer and Palowitch, 1987; Chang and Yu, 1990), qualitative simulation (QSIM) approaches (de Kleer and Brown, 1984; Kuipers, 1986; Kramer and Oyeleye, 1988), order-of-magnitude (O[M]) approach (Mavrovouniotis and Stephanopoulos, 1988), and qualitative process theory (QPT) approaches (Forbus, 1984: Grantham and Ungar, 1991) belong to the qualitative model-based diagnosis. Hybrid systems (semiquantitative model-based) are also proposed (Ulerich and Powers, 1988; Yu and Lee, 1992; Chang et al., 1993).

However, from the resolution point of view, the resolution of a diagnostic system can be up to the quantitative level or the qualitative level. By quantitative level, we mean that the diagnostic system can isolate the fault from the quantitative differences. In other words, if the patterns

of two faults are exactly the same on the basis of the analysis of the signs (e.g., the directions (sign) of the deviations are exactly the same) and differ in magnitude (e.g., the sizes of the deviations are different), then we call the resolution of the system up to the quantitative level. For example, the SDG approach of Kramer and Palowitch (1987) and Chang and Yu (1990), the qualitative physics approach of Kuipers (1986), and the equation-oriented model-based approach of Kramer (1987) and Petti et al. (1990) are diagnostic systems with the resolution up to the qualitative level. On the other hand, the parameter estimation method of Park and Himmeblau (1983), the Kalman filter method of Fathi et al. (1992), and the fault detection, isolation, and accommodation (FDIA) method of Frank (1990), Willsky (1976), and Gertler and Anderson (1992) are the diagnostic systems of the quantitative level.

As far as the knowledge representation is concerned, the model-based diagnostic system can be further classified into equation-oriented (Himmelblau, 1978; Willsky, 1984; Himmelblau et al., 1989; Kramer, 1987; Petti *et al.*, 1990) and graphics-oriented approaches (SDG; Kramer and Palowitch, 1987; Ulerich and Powers, 1988; Chang and Yu, 1990; Yu and Lee, 1992). The advantage of the graphics-oriented approach, e.g., SDG approach, is that the user can *visualize* the process knowledge. However, at present stage, most process engineers are more familiar with equation-oriented approaches. That is, most process engineers utilize (or were taught) equations to solve engineering problems. Therefore, from the familiarity and maintenance point of view, the equation-oriented approach is an attractive alternative for online fault diagnosis.

The purpose of this series of papers is to investigate and extend the equation-oriented approaches for online fault diagnosis. In part 1, the potential problems for equationoriented approaches, specifically DMP of Petti *et al.* (1990), are explored and appropriate remedial actions are also proposed. This paper is organized as follows. Section 2 discusses previous works on model-based diagnosis and illustrates the current problems of equation-oriented diagnostic systems. DMA is proposed in section 3. In section 4, a CSTR example is used to illustrate the consecutive and diagnosis of DMA and a procedure is summarized. A conclusion is given in section 5.

#### 2. Model-Based Diagnosis

Model-based diagnosis systems are fundamentally different from heuristic knowledge-based (rule based) systems

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Figure 1. Structure of model-based diagnosis system.

because they rely on the structured knowledge which comes directly from the first principle. Figure 1 illustrates the general concept of model-based diagnosis systems. A fault diagnosis system consists of two major components: a deep model and a reasoning mechanism. In the deep model, the knowledge, either quantitative or semiquantitative, is represented in the form of model equations or in a graphical form (e.g., in the form of SDG). In this stage, any inconsistencies between process model and process measurements are generated. For example, residuals are generated from model equations (Gertler and Anderson, 1992; Petti et al., 1990) or consistencies of specific branches are generated in terms of membership function of the fuzzy set (Yu and Lee, 1992). Typically, the inconsistency measures can be represented in a Boolean (yes or no answer) or non-Boolean (degree of inconsistency) form. The non-Boolean representation receives a great deal of attention. These include the probability assignment (Gertler and Luo, 1989; Gertler and Anderson, 1992), the belief function (Kramer, 1987; Petti et al., 1990), and the fuzzy measure of Yu and Lee (1992). Once an inconsistency is observed, a reasoning mechanism is activated to find the possible fault. In this stage, generally, statistical testing (Gertler and Luo, 1989), evidential reasoning (Dampster-Shafer reasoning, Bogler, 1987; Gertler and Anderson, 1992; Fathi et al., 1993), constraint satisfaction (Kramer, 1987; Petti et al., 1990), and fuzzy reasoning (Yu and Lee, 1992) are employed.

2.1. Equation-Oriented Fault Diagnosis. A fault is understood as any kind of malfunction in the actual dynamic system, the plant, that leads to an unacceptably anomaly in the overall system performance. Such malfunctions may occur either in the sensors, actuators, and process variables or in the components of the process. Fault diagnosis based on static quantitative model equations was introduced in the 1970s in the chemical (Himmelblau, 1978) and aerospace (Deckert et al., 1977) industries. Generally, the equation-oriented diagnosis system is formulated in such a way that, initially, the quantitative mathematical model (equations) is abstracted from the first principle. In normal operation, this set of model equations gives zeros for the right-hand-side of the equations' "parity equation". In other words, this set of equations is satisfied with normal conditions. Residuals are generated when a process fault occurs. A predetermined tolerance is used to indicate possible faulty conditions. Generally, a set of satisfaction factors is generated to give an indication of the violation of model equations (Kramer, 1987; Petti et al., 1990). Following the satisfaction checking, fault discrimination and consistency criterion are applied to isolate the fault. Figure 2 illustrates the general concept of equation-oriented fault diagnosis.



Figure 2. Structure of equation-oriented fault diagnosis system.

Each component of the diagnostic system is discussed in detail, and resolution and potential problems in this type of diagnostic system are discussed. The development and notations of the system follow the work of DMP (Petti *et al.*, 1990).

**2.1.1.** Parity Equations. Parity equations constitute the core of the equation-oriented fault diagnosis system. They are generally derived from the material balances and energy balances describing the physical system. Prior to the formulation of the parity equations two sets of parameters have to be specified. One is the "fault" to be diagnosed which is denoted as a vector  $\mathbf{a} = [a_1, a_2, ..., a_n]^T$ . The fault set  $\mathbf{a}$  include sensor failure, actuator failure, external disturbances, degradation of equipment, etc. The other is the set of process measurements available which is denoted as  $\mathbf{m} = [m_1, m_2, ..., m_k]^T$ . Notice that if the failure of a particular process measurement, e.g., sensor failure, is to be diagnosed, that process measurement is included in the  $\mathbf{a}$  vector. Following the definition of  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{m}$ , a set of parity equations can be expressed as

$$c_{1}(a_{1}, a_{2}, a_{3}, ..., a_{n}, m_{1}, m_{2}, ..., m_{k}) = e_{1}$$

$$c_{2}(a_{1}, a_{2}, a_{3}, ..., a_{n}, m_{1}, m_{2}, ..., m_{k}) = e_{2}$$

$$c_{j}(a_{1}, a_{2}, a_{3}, ..., a_{n}, m_{1}, m_{2}, ..., m_{k}) = e_{j}$$

$$c_{m}(a_{1}, a_{2}, a_{3}, ..., a_{n}, m_{1}, m_{2}, ..., m_{k}) = e_{m}$$
(1)

or, in a more compact form,

$$\mathbf{c}(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{m}) = \mathbf{e} \tag{2}$$

Typically, this is a nonlinear set of equations, and at nominal operating conditions the RHS of eq 1 is zero, i.e.,  $e_1 = e_2 = ... = e_m = 0$  for  $\mathbf{a}^s = [a_1^s, a_2^s, ..., a_n^s]^T$ , where the superscript s denotes the nominal steady-state and a set of linear algebraic equations can be derived:

$$p_{11}a_1 + p_{12}a_2 + \dots + p_{1i}a_i + \dots + p_{1n}a_n + k_1 = e_1$$

$$p_{21}a_1 + p_{22}a_2 + \dots + p_{2i}a_i + \dots + p_{2n} + a_n + k_2 = e_2$$

$$p_{j1}a_1 + p_{j2}a_2 + \dots + p_{ji}a_i + \dots + p_{jn}a_n + k_j = e_j$$

$$p_{m1}a_1 + p_{m2}a_2 + \dots + p_{mi}a_i + \dots + p_{mn}a_n + k_m = e_m$$
(3)

or in a matrix form

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$$\mathbf{Pa} + \mathbf{k} = \mathbf{e} \tag{4}$$

where **P** is an  $m \times n$  matrix with the entry  $p_{ji}$  and  $k = [k_1, k_2, ..., k_m]^T$ . Notice that  $p_{ji}, k_j$ , and  $a_i$  are functions of process measurements and system parameters. Here  $p_{ji}$  can be viewed as the sensitivity of the *i*th fault  $(a_i)$  with respect to the *j*th parity equation at nominal steady-state. Mathematically, this is

$$p_{ji} = \left(\frac{\partial c_j}{\partial a_i}\right)_{\rm s} \tag{5}$$

It should be emphasized that at nominal operation, the residuals of the parity equations (eq 1 or 3) are zero  $(e_1 = e_2 = ... = e_m = 0)$ . That is, when nominal steady-state values are substituted for the fault set  $(a_i = a_i^s)$  and process measurements  $(m_i = m_i^s)$ , the equations yield zero residuals.

$$\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{m}^{\mathbf{s}})\mathbf{a}^{\mathbf{s}} + \mathbf{k}(\mathbf{m}^{\mathbf{s}}) = 0 \tag{6}$$

**2.1.2. Residual Generation.** When a fault occurs (e.g.,  $a_i = a_i^s + \delta a_i$ ), this leads to a new set of process measurements (m). Obviously, at this point we do not have any knowledge about which  $a_i$ 's constitute the fault (deviate from its nominal value  $a_i^s$ ). All we can do is substitute  $a^s$  and m into the parity equations. That leads to inconsistency in the parity equations, and residuals are generated.

$$\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{m})\mathbf{a}^{\mathbf{s}} + \mathbf{k}(\mathbf{m}) = \mathbf{e} \neq 0 \tag{7}$$

The reason is that at this new (faulty) steady-state, a consistent set of process variables are m and  $a^*$ , ( $a^* = a^s + \delta a$ ). That is,

$$\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{m})\mathbf{a}^* + \mathbf{k}(\mathbf{m}) = 0 \tag{8}$$

Without any knowledge about the fault ( $a^* \text{ or } \delta a$ ), residuals are, thus, generated as shown in eq 7. As for the case of sensor failure,  $a_i$  itself is a process measurement; the explanation is a little different. The correct process measurement,  $a_i^*$ , is

$$a_i^* = a_{i,\text{meas}} + \delta a_i \tag{9}$$

where  $a_{i,\text{meas}}$  is the measurement reading and  $\delta a_i$  is the bias. Again, the substitution of  $a_{i,\text{meas}}$  into eq 7 generates residual.

Notice that faulty conditions, e.g.,  $a_i^* = a_i^* + \delta a_i$ , are not the only source of the residuals. Measurement noises, modeling error, e.g.,  $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{P}^* + \delta \mathbf{P}$ , where  $\delta \mathbf{P}$  stands for modeling error, etc. all can contribute to the residuals of the parity equations. In order to achieve robustness in fault diagnosis, some type of checking for satisfaction/ violation in parity equations is necessary.

**2.1.3.** Satisfaction Factor. Since the residuals arise from not only the fault itself but also from noise effect or modeling error, tolerances  $(\tau_j$ 's) are used to evaluate the violation of corresponding parity equation  $c_j$  in a Boolean manner (Venkatasurramanian and Chan, 1989). Kramer (1987) proposes a non-Boolean measure, sf (satisfaction factor), to evaluate the degree of satisfaction to each parity equation. The belief function of Kramer (1987), sf, is defined as

sf = sgn(e/
$$\tau$$
) $\frac{(e/\tau)^4}{1 + (e/\tau)^4}$  (10)

where  $\operatorname{sgn}(e/\tau)$  is the sign of  $e/\tau$  which takes the value of



**Figure 3.** Non-Boolean type of satisfaction factor for (A)  $p_{ji} \neq 0$  and (B)  $P_{ji} = 0$ .

+1 when  $e/\tau > 0$  and becomes -1 when  $e/\tau < 0$ . Therefore, the value of sf falls between -1 and 1 (Figure 3). The non-Boolean type of sf (solid line of Figure 3) avoids abrupt changes from satisfaction to violation of parity equations (compared to Boolean type of sf as shown in Figure 3, dashed line) which, in turn, is more robust to noise effects as well as modeling errors. In the work of Kramer (1987) and Petti et al. (1990), the tolerances ( $\tau_i$ 's) are defined for each parity equation. Therefore, for a system with parity equations, m tolerances  $(\tau_1, \tau_2, ..., \tau_m)$  are defined for satisfaction checking. Little emphasis is placed on the selection of  $\tau_j$ 's. The selection of  $\tau_j$ 's is by no means a trivial matter for fault isolation, as will be discussed in detail later. As pointed out by Kramer (1987) and Petti et al. (1991), the tolerances for the upper bound  $(\tau_i^{\rm H})$  and lower bound  $(\tau_j^{\rm L})$  violations do not have to be symmetric, i.e.,  $\tau_j^{\rm H} \neq \tau_j^{\rm L}$ . This is helpful for nonlinear chemical processes. The formal definition of sf's is given as follows.

**Definition.** The vector of satisfaction factor  $\mathbf{sf} = [\mathbf{sf}_j] = [\mathbf{sf}_1, \mathbf{sf}_2, ..., \mathbf{sf}_m]$  is the collection of satisfaction factors for each parity equation defined by a belief function (Kramer, 1987) as (a) for high violation

$$\mathrm{sf}_{j} = \mathrm{sgn}(e_{j}/\tau_{j}^{\mathrm{H}}) \frac{(e_{i}/\tau_{j}^{\mathrm{H}})^{4}}{1 + (e_{j}/\tau_{j}^{\mathrm{H}})^{4}} = + \frac{(e_{j}/\tau_{j}^{\mathrm{H}})^{4}}{1 + (e_{j}/\tau_{j}^{\mathrm{H}})^{4}} \quad (11)$$

and (b) for low violation

$$\mathrm{sf}_{j} = \mathrm{sgn}(e_{j}/\tau_{j}^{\mathrm{L}}) \frac{(e_{j}/\tau_{j}^{\mathrm{L}})^{4}}{1 + (e_{j}/\tau_{j}^{\mathrm{L}})^{4}} = -\frac{(e_{j}/\tau_{j}^{\mathrm{L}})^{4}}{1 + (e_{j}/\tau_{j}^{\mathrm{L}})^{4}} \quad (12)$$

Figure 3 shows the sf for the case of  $\tau_j^{\rm H} = \tau_j^{\rm L}$ . The shape of the belief function is smooth for one to one mapping to prevent an unstable diagnostic situation.

2.1.4. Fault Isolation. As shown in Figure 2, in the fault isolation stage, an ideal equation-oriented fault diagnosis system consists of two steps: fault discrimination (to find the most likely fault) and consistency checking (to check whether the isolated fault is determined consistently from each parity equation). Most of the works

(Kramer, 1987; Petti *et al.*, 1990) isolate the fault solely on the basis of the first step, fault discrimination. The consistency checking is considered, at most, in an indirect manner (Petti *et al.*, 1990).

Consider a set of m parity equations with n faults to be isolated (eq 1 or 3). Once the satisfaction factors, sf, are available (from the previous stage in Figure 2), the fault can be isolated in the following way. The supportability of Kramer (1987) for the *i*th fault ( $a_i$ ) is defined as

$$q_{i} = \left[\prod_{j=1}^{r} |\mathbf{sf}_{j}|\right] \left[\prod_{j=1}^{m-r} (1 - |\mathbf{sf}_{j}|)\right]$$
(13)

where  $q_i$  is the supportability for the *i*th fault, *r* is the number of equations that depends on  $a_i$ , and (m-r) is the number of equations that are independent on  $a_i$ . When  $q_i$  approaches unity, the result of the reasoning supports the fault assumption. That implies

$$p_{1i}, p_{2i}, p_{3i}, ..., p_{ri} \neq 0$$
 (14)

and

$$p_{r+1,i}, p_{r+2,i}, p_{r+3,i}, ..., p_{mi} = 0$$
 (15)

In other words, the only way to discriminate a fault depends on the zero/non-zero configuration in the **P** matrix. Petti *et al.* (1990) go a step further, using the concept of weighting to improve the diagnostic resolution. The most likely fault is isolated using the failure likelihood (Petti *et al.*, 1990). For the *i*th fault  $(a_i)$ , the failure likelihood  $\mathcal{F}_i$  is defined as

$$\mathcal{F}_{i} = \frac{\check{p}_{1i}\mathbf{s}\mathbf{f}_{1} + \check{p}_{2i}\mathbf{s}\mathbf{f}_{2} + \dots + \check{p}_{mi}\mathbf{s}\mathbf{f}_{m}}{|\check{p}_{1i}| + |\check{p}_{2i}| + \dots + |\check{p}_{mi}|}$$
(16)

where  $\check{p}_{ji}$  is the normalized parameter with respect to the tolerance  $\tau_j$ , i.e.,  $\check{p}_{ji} = p_{ji}/\tau_j$ . Equation 16 implies that  $\mathcal{F}_i$  is the normalized weighted sum of sf<sub>j</sub>'s from all the parity equations. When  $\mathcal{F}_i$  approaches +1 (or -1), the reasoning concludes that  $a_i$  is the most likely fault with a positive (or negative) deviation. Despite the fact that the concept of weighting is more appropriate than the fault isolation using zero/non-zero configuration, it may have difficulties in discriminating the fault even when the faults are qualitatively isolable.

2.2. Resolution. The resolution of equation-oriented diagnostic systems (Kramer, 1987; Petti *et al.*, 1990) is investigated. Let us take a simple set parity equation as an example. Consider a system with two parity equations and three possible faults:

$$\begin{cases} c_1(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{m}) = p_{11}a_1 + p_{12}a_2 + p_{13}a_3 + k_1 \\ c_2(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{m}) = p_{21}a_1 + p_{22}a_2 + p_{23}a_3 + k_2 \end{cases}$$
(17)

For the sake of clarity in the illustration, all three faults  $(a_1, a_2, and a_3)$  are assumed to be sensor failure. That implies  $p_{ji}$ 's and  $k_i$ 's are constants in eq 17. In order to evaluate DMP in a consistent manner, the tolerances are defined as

$$\tau_j^{\rm H} = \tau_j^{\rm L} = \tau_j = \min(p_{j1} \cdot 10\%, p_{j2} \cdot 10\%, p_{j3} \cdot 10\%)$$
(18)

Here  $a_i$ 's are assumed to be unity for all t's. This means that 10% deviation in  $a_i$  from its nominal value is considered as a fault. Three numerical examples are used to illustrate the resolutions for supportability and failure likelihood.

Example 1. Qualitatively Isolable Faults with Competitive Model Coefficients  $(p_{ji})$ : Consider the

following set of parity equations:

$$e_1 = 2a_1 + 2a_2 + 0a_3 - 4 \tag{19}$$

$$e_2 = 2a_1 - 2a_2 + 2a_3 - 2 \tag{20}$$

From the parity equations (eqs 19 and 20), it is obvious that the faults  $a_1$ ,  $a_2$ , and  $a_3$  are isolable in a qualitative manner, since the sign pattern for example 1 is

$$a_1 a_2 a_3$$
  
 $e_1 + + 0$   
 $e_2 + - + (21)$ 

For example, if both eqs 19 and 20 deviate positively (or negatively) then, on the basis of this qualitative observation, we can say that  $a_1$  is the fault origin. If  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  in the parity equation deviate toward different directions, then  $a_2$  is the fault. A similar argument can be applied to the fault  $a_3$ . Therefore, in our classification the resolution of this system is to the qualitative isolable level. The supportability of Kramer (1987) and the failure likelihood of DMP (Petti et al., 1990) are tested on this example. Table 1A shows the diagnostic results using supportability and failure likelihood with 20% positive deviation in the fault origins  $a_1$ ,  $a_2$ , and  $a_3$ , respectively. Results show that the supportability  $(q_i)$  is not able to distinguished the faults  $a_1$  and  $a_2$  even when the sign patterns (eq 21) of these two faults are different. The supportability can, however, isolate the fault  $a_3$  since the zero, non-zero configuration for  $a_3$  is different from that of  $a_1$  or  $a_2$ . The failure likelihood of DMP, on the other hand, cannot distinguish the faults between  $a_1$  and  $a_3$  (or  $a_2$  and  $a_3$ ) when the failure occurs in  $a_1$  (or  $a_2$ ) as shown in Table 1A. This simple example shows that despite the fault that quantitative parity equations are employed in the fault diagnosis, the fault isolation approaches using supportability and/or failure likelihood are not able to isolate the fault even when the fault can be isolated from a purely qualitative argument, e.g., eq 21.

Example 2. Qualitatively Isolable Faults with Drastically Different Model Coefficients.

$$e_1 = 1a_1 + 10a_2 + 0a_3 - 11 \tag{22}$$

$$e_2 = 10a_1 - 1a_2 + 10a_3 - 19 \tag{23}$$

The sign pattern of this system is exactly the same as that of example 1 (eq 21). That is, the faults  $a_1$ ,  $a_2$ , and  $a_3$  can be isolated simply on the basis of qualitative observation of  $e_1$  and  $e_2$ . Again, the diagnostic results for 20% positive deviation in  $a_1$ ,  $a_2$ , and  $a_3$ , respectively, are shown in Table 1B. A similar interpretation of faults is found using the supportability. That is, the supportability is exactly the same for the faults  $a_1$  and  $a_2$ . The ability to discriminate faults using failure likelihood deteriorates for example 2 as shown in Table 1B. For example, when the fault  $a_1$ occurs, the most likely fault interpreted by  $\mathcal{F}_i$ 's is  $a_3$ . That means the ability of the approach of failure likelihood to isolate faults for systems with different orders of magnitude in the coefficients decreases. More importantly, it produces erroneous interpretation, e.g., fault origin  $a_1$  or  $a_2$ in Table 1B. It should be emphasized that the faults in example 2 can be isolated simply on the basis of qualitative observation.

**Example 3. Qualitatively Nonisolable System.** Consider another system with two parity equations and three faults:

$$e_1 = 1a_1 + 10a_2 + 10a_3 - 21 \tag{24}$$

Table 1. Resolutions for Different Model-Based Diagnostic Algorithms

	errors		statisf.		supportability		DMP likelihood		this approach				
fault origin	$\overline{e_1}$	e <sub>2</sub>	$\mathbf{sf}_1$	$\mathbf{sf}_2$	$q_1$	$q_2$	$q_3$	$\overline{F_1}$	$F_2$	$F_3$	$(d_1)_{\rm cf1}$	$(d_2)_{\mathrm{cf2}}$	$(d_3)_{cf3}$
				(A)	$e_1 = 2a_1$	+ 2a <sub>2</sub> +	$0a_3 - 4$	$e_2 = 2a$	$a_1 - 2a_2 +$	$2a_3 - 2$			
$a_1$	0.4	0.4	0.94	0.94	0.88	0.88	0.5	0.94	0	0.94	$(0.94)_1$	(0)_1	$(0.47)_0$
$a_2$	0.4	-0.4	0.94	-0.94	0.88	0.88	0.05	0	0.94	-0.94	$(0)_{-1}$	$(0.94)_1$	$(-0.47)_0$
$a_3$	0	0.4	0	0.94	0	0	0.94	0.47	-0.5	0.94	$(0.47)_0$	(-0.47)0	(0.97)0.94
				(B) $e_1 =$	$= 1a_1 +$	$10a_2 + 0a_2$	a3 - 11	$e_2 = 10$	$a_1 - 1a_2 +$	$-10a_3 - 1$	9		
$a_1$	0.2	2	0.94	0.99	0.94	0.94	0.05	0.82	0.95	0.99	$(0.94)_1$	$(-0.5)_0$	(0.5)0.062
$a_2$	2	-0.2	0.99	0.94	0.94	0.94	0	0.94	0.82	0.94	$(0.5)_0$	(0.94)1	(0)_0.004
$a_3$	0	2	0	-0.99	0	0	0.99	0.9	0.09	0.99	$(0.47)_0$	(-0.5)0	(0.97)0.94
				(C) $e_1 =$	$= 1a_1 + 3$	$10a_2 + 10$	$a_3 - 21$	$e_2 = 1_0$	$a_1 + 11a_2$	$+ 1a_3 - 1$	3		
$a_1$	0.2	0.2	0.94	0.94	0.88	Õ.88	0.88	0.94	0.94	0.94	(0.94)1	$(0.013)_{0.68}$	$(0.47)_{0}$
$a_2$	2	2.2	1	1	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.99	0.99	0.99	$(1)_1$	(0.94)1	(0.97) <sub>0 94</sub>
$a_3$	2	2	1	0.94	0.94	0. <del>9</del> 4	0.94	0.97	0.97	0.97	(0.97) <sub>0.94</sub>	$(0.47)_0$	(0.94)1
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**Figure 4.** Diagnosis results using supportability  $(q_i)$  and likelihood  $(F_i)$  for example 3.

$$e_2 = 1a_1 + 11a_2 + 1a_3 - 13 \tag{25}$$

The sign pattern for this example is

$$a_1 a_2 a_3$$
  
 $e_1 + + +$   
 $e_2 + + +$  (26)

This means that the propagations of the fault based simply on qualitative observations are exactly the same. Obviously, we do not accept that the approaches of supportability and failure likelihood can discriminate the faults in this example. The results (Table 1C) show that all three faults are indistinguishable for 20% deviation in the fault origin  $a_i$ . Figure 4 shows the diagnosis results using  $q_i$ 's and  $\mathcal{F}_i$ 's for a range of deviations in  $a_1$ ,  $a_2$ , and  $a_3$ , respectively. As expected, the supportability and failure likelihood are not able to discriminate the fault for a range of faults.

All three examples show the resolution problems associated with the supportability or failure likelihood. More importantly, the knowledge level of the diagnostic system is up to the *quantitative* level. Therefore, some modifications have to be made to improve the resolution in the equation-oriented approach.

#### 3. Deep Model Algorithm (DMA)

An algorithm for fault diagnosis, the deep model algorithm (DMA), is proposed to overcome the problems of diagnostic resolution associated with an equationoriented diagnosis system.

**3.1. The Structure.** The structure of DMA is shown in Figure 2. The core of the knowledge base for DMA

consists of a set of parity equations (e.g., eq 1 or 3). The parity equations can be either linear or nonlinear. As the process measurements become available, the residuals  $(e_j$ 's) are generated and satisfaction factors (sf's) are computed. The fault can be isolated on the basis of the fault discrimination and consistency checking once sf's are available (Figure 2).

3.2. Tolerance. Despite the fact that most works in equation-oriented diagnosis systems define the tolerance (threshold) for each individual equation (Gertler and Anderson, 1992; Kramer, 1987; Petti et al., 1990), part of the problem in diagnostic resolution comes from the threshold selection; it was clearly shown in example 2. For example, in an equation with imbalance coefficients, the selected tolerance can be too large for one fault and too small for the other. Therefore, a fundamental approach to improve the diagnostic resolution is to define the tolerance on individual equation as well as individual fault basis. For a system with m parity equations and n faults to be diagnosed,  $m \times n$  tolerance  $\tau_{ji}$  (j = 1, 2, ..., m and i = 1, 2, ..., n is defined. For example, for a fault origin  $a_i$ , the upper bound violation  $(1 + \overline{\alpha}_i)a_i^s$  and a lower bound violation  $(1 - \alpha_i)a_i^s$  are the recognized fault, and the upper and lower bound tolerances for the *j*th parity equation become

(a) violation high

$$\tau_{ji}^{\rm H} = c_j(a_1^{\rm s}, a_2^{\rm s}, ..., (1 + \bar{\alpha}_i)a_i^{\rm s}, a_{i+1}^{\rm s}, ..., a_n^{\rm s}, {\rm m}) - 0 \quad (27)$$

(b) violation low

$$\tau_{ji}^{\rm L} = 0 - c_j(a_1^{\rm s}, a_2^{\rm s}, ..., (1 - \alpha_i)a_i^{\rm s}, a_{i+1}^{\rm s}, ..., a_n^{\rm s}, \mathbf{m})$$
(28)

If the linearized version of the parity equations (eq 3) is employed, then the tolerance becomes

(a) violation high

$$\tau_{ii}^{\rm H} = \bar{\alpha}_i p_{ii} a_i^{\rm s} \tag{29}$$

(b) violation low

$$\tau_{ji}^{\rm L} = \alpha_i p_{ji} a_i^{\rm s} \tag{30}$$

Since the linearized parity equations are used and the upper and lower bound violations are assumed to be the same for clarity, we have

$$\tau_{ji} = \tau_{ji}^{\mathrm{H}} = \tau_{ji}^{\mathrm{L}} \tag{31}$$

Nonetheless, it should be clear that, in this work, the tolerance  $(\tau_{ji})$  is defined for each fault in each parity equation.

**3.3.** Satisfaction Factor. With the tolerance  $(\tau_{ji})$  defined, the satisfaction factor  $(sf_{ji})$  can be calculated once the residual in each parity equation  $(e_j)$  is generated. Unlike the previous approaches, DMA finds a vector of satisfaction factors for a fault origin. For example, for the fault  $a_i$ , the vector of satisfaction factor is

$$\mathbf{sf}_{i} = [\mathbf{sf}_{1i}, \mathbf{sf}_{2i}, \mathbf{sf}_{3i}, ..., \mathbf{sf}_{mi}]^{T}$$
(32)

Since the zero/non-zero configuration can be identified by a Kramer approach (Kramer, 1987), a distinction is made between the system with zero and non-zero coefficients. The satisfaction factor is defined for zero ( $p_{ji} =$ 0) coefficients. A new belief function is also defined for the sf with zero coefficient.

The belief function for the fault with non-zero coefficient is defined as follows:

(a) for 
$$p_{ji} \neq 0$$
  

$$sf_{ji} = sgn(e_j/\tau_{ji}) \frac{(e_j/\tau_{ji})^4}{1 + (e_j/\tau_{ji})^4}$$
(33)

where  $sf_{ji}$  is the satisfaction factor of the *i*th fault on *j*th parity equation,  $e_j$  is the residual value of the *j*th parity equation,  $\tau_{ji}$  is the tolerance of the *i*th fault on the *j*th parity equation, and  $sgn(e_j/\tau_{ji})$  takes the value of +1, 0, or -1 for positive, zero, or negative elements, respectively. This definition is exactly the same as that of Kramer (1987) except that *m* sf's are computed for a fault. For the case of zero coefficient, the belief function is modified to

(b) for 
$$p_{ji} = 0$$
  

$$sf_{ji} = sgn* \left[ 1 - \frac{(e_j/\tau_{j,\min})^4}{1 + (e_j/\tau_{j,\min})^4} \right]$$
(34)

with

$$\tau_{j,\min} = \min\{|\tau_{jr}|\} \quad \text{for all } r \text{ with } p_{jr} \neq 0 \qquad (35)$$

where  $\tau_{j,\min}$  is the smallest (in the absolute sense), nonzero tolerance in the *j*th parity equation and sgn\* define the sign of  $sf_{ji}$ , which can be found from

$$\operatorname{sgn}^{*} = \begin{cases} \operatorname{sgn}(\operatorname{sf}_{i}^{*}) & \operatorname{for} |\operatorname{sf}_{i}^{*}| \ge 0.1 \\ 1 & \operatorname{for} |\operatorname{sf}_{i}^{*}| < 0.1 \end{cases}$$
(36)

where  $sf_i^*$  is the largest sf (in absolute sense) for the *i*th fault in different parity equations with non-zero coefficients. The reason for going through eqs 35 and 36 to find  $sf_{ji}$  (when  $p_{ji} = 0$ ) is that process measurement noises can be misleading to the sign of the  $sf_{ji}$  when  $p_{ji} = 0$ . This is typically true when  $a_i$  is not the fault origin. Therefore, a positive sign is assigned to  $sf_{ji}$  when the largest sf for that particular fault ( $sf_i^*$ ) does not exceed the threshold (0.1 in eq 36). The belief function with a positive sign is shown in Figure 5. Notice that when  $sgn^* = -1$ , the belief function is simply the mirror image of that in Figure 5. With this definition, we are able to distinguish the zero/ non-zero configuration.

The characteristic of the proposed method is illustrated in the following example. Consider the set of parity equations in eq 3 with all non-zero  $p_{ji}$ 's. For a given  $a_i$ , the tolerance  $(\tau_{ji}$ 's) can be calculated. That is,

### Consistency Factor



**Figure 5.** Relationship between ranges of  $sf_{ji}$  ( $sf_{i,min} \sim sf_{i,max}$ ) and consistency.

$$\tau_{ii} = \alpha_i p_{ji} a_i^{\rm s} \tag{37}$$

Now, consider that fault  $a_1$  occurs, with a positive deviation of  $\alpha_1$ ; the residual in each parity equation is

$$e_j = \alpha_1 p_{j1} a_1^s$$
 for  $j = 1, 2, ..., m$  (38)

With  $e_j$ 's available, we can find the vector of  $\mathbf{sf}_1 = [\mathbf{sf}_{11}, \mathbf{sf}_{21}, ..., \mathbf{sf}_{m1}]^T$ .

$$\mathrm{sf}_{j1} = \mathrm{sgn}(e_j/\tau_{j1}) \frac{(e_j/\tau_{j1})^4}{1 + (e_j/\tau_{j1})^4} = \frac{\left(\frac{\alpha_1 p_{j1} \alpha_1^{\mathrm{s}}}{\alpha_1 p_{j1} \alpha_1^{\mathrm{s}}}\right)^4}{1 + \left(\frac{\alpha_1 p_{j1} \alpha_1^{\mathrm{s}}}{\alpha_1 p_{j1} \alpha_1^{\mathrm{s}}}\right)^4} = 0.5 \quad (39)$$

We have  $\mathbf{sf_1} = [0.5, 0.5, ..., 0.5]^T$ . This implies that we are not only able to find the degree of the fault (e.g., 0.5) but also to measure the consistency for the fault. By consistency we mean that the indication of the fault arises from each parity equation, based on  $\mathbf{sf_1}$ . In theory, the vector of sf's can be utilized to give better diagnostic resolution.

**3.4. Fault Isolation.** As shown in Figure 2, the fault isolation stage consists of two steps: to find the degree of the fault and to check the consistency of the assumed fault from each parity equation. Two measures are computed for a specific fault,  $a_i$ : one is the degree of fault  $d_i$ , and the other is the consistency factor  $cf_i$  once that vector of satisfaction factor,  $\mathbf{sf}_i$ , is available.

**3.4.1. Degree of Fault.** Since the evidence of fault is generated from the residuals, the method of combination of evidences (e.g., certainty factor in MYCIN, Shortliffe, 1976) is useful in finding the likelihood of the failure  $a_i$  once the  $sf_{ji}$ 's are available. Because the residuals are generated from independent parity equations and are further transformed into sf's, a rule for the combinations  $sf_{ji}$ 's can be helpful in discriminating the fault.

Petti *et al.* (1990) utilize the weighted sum of sf's to find the likelihood of failure. This is quite similar to the mechanism of combining evidence in the expert system MYCIN (Shortliffe, 1976; Cendrowska and Kramer, 1984). Before the degree of fault is defined, it should be emphasized that the  $sf_{ji}$ 's defined in this work are already weighted by its coefficient  $(p_{ji})$  (eqs 29, 30, 33, 34). The degree of fault in  $a_i$  is

$$d_i = (\sum_{j=1}^m \mathrm{sf}_{ji})/m \tag{40}$$

 $d_i$  ranges from -1 to 1 and  $d_i$  approaching 1 (or -1) implies that the errors in the parity equations are significant

enough to support the hypothesis, failure in  $a_i$  with a positive (or negative) deviation. This definition is very similar to the failure likelihood of Petti *et al.* (1990) except that the weighting is not necessary in this work since st s are defined differently. Notice that this index  $d_i$  only indicates the degree of the fault  $(a_i)$ , e.g., how close to the threshold the errors are.

**3.4.2.** Consistency Factor. Since the sf's are defined for the fault in every parity equation, we can utilize this to improve the diagnostic resolution. That is, for a fault  $a_i$  and a vector of sf, i.e.,  $sf_{1i}, sf_{2i}, ..., sf_{mi}$ , one can use  $sf_{ji}$ 's (j = 1, 2, ..., m) to further discriminate the fault. A consistency factor  $cf_i$  is employed to check the consistency in  $sf_{ji}$  (j = 1, 2, ..., m) generated from the parity equations. Ideally, a complete measure of the likelihood of failure  $a_i$  is

$$(d_i)_{\rm cf} \tag{41}$$

where  $d_i$  is the degree of fault for  $a_i$  and  $cf_i$  is the consistency factor (similar to the certainty factor in MYCIN, Shortliffe, 1976) for  $d_i$ .

The consistency factor is defined as

$$\mathrm{cf}_{i} = 1 - \left[\frac{\mathrm{sf}_{\max,i} - \mathrm{sf}_{\min,i}}{\max(|\mathrm{sf}_{1i}|, |\mathrm{sf}_{2i}|, \dots, |\mathrm{sf}_{mi}|)}\right]$$
(42)

where  $sf_{max,i}$  and  $sf_{min,i}$  are the largest and the smallest satisfaction factors, respectively.  $sf_{max,i}$  and  $sf_{min,i}$  are defined as

$$\mathbf{sf}_{\max,i} = \max(\mathbf{sf}_{1i}, \mathbf{sf}_{2i}, \dots, \mathbf{sf}_{mi})$$
(43)

$$sf_{\min,i} = \min(sf_{1i}, sf_{2i}, ..., sf_{mi})$$
 (44)

Appendix A gives the derivation of  $cf_i$ . Notice that  $cf_i$  ranges from -1 to 1. A positive  $cf_i$  of unity indicates that the  $sf_{ji}$ 's (j = 1, 2, ..., m) are consistent, and a  $cf_i$  of -1 reveals that the results from  $sf_{ji}$  (j = 1, 2, ..., m) are completely inconsistent.  $cf_i$  decreases as the consistency between  $sf_{ji}$ 's decreases. More importantly, qualitatively inconsistent  $sf_{ji}$ 's (e.g.,  $sf_{1i} > 0$  and  $sf_{2i} < 0$ ) lead to a negative value in  $cf_i$ . Figure 5 shows the characteristic of the consistency factor  $(cf_i)$ .  $cf_i$ 's are positive for  $sf_{ji}$ 's with the same sign, and a  $sf_{max,i} > 0$  and  $sf_{min,i} = 0$  (or  $sf_{max,i} = 0$  and  $sf_{min,i} < 0$ ) gives a zero  $cf_i$ . When the range covered by  $sf_{max,i}$  and  $sf_{min,min}$  crosses zero, the  $cf_i$  becomes negative and equal strength  $sf_{ji}$ 's (i.e.,  $|sf_{max,i}| = |sf_{min,i}|$ ) with opposite sign give  $cf_i = -1$ , as shown in Figure 5.

With the introduction  $(d_i)_{cf_i}$  one can use it to isolate the failure. It should be emphasized that since sf's are defined differently from that of Petti *et al.* (1990) or Kramer (1987), we are now able to utilize  $cf_i$  to give a better diagnostic resolution.

**3.5. Example Revisited.** The resolution of the proposed DMA is examined using the three examples studied. Consider the system in eq 17; the tolerances  $\tau_{ji}$ 's are defined for each parity equation with respect to different faults. For  $p_{ji} \neq 0$ , we have

$$r_{ii} = p_{ii} \cdot 10\% \tag{45}$$

For the cases with  $p_{ji} = 0$ ,  $\tau_{j,\min}$  is found using eq 35. With the definition of  $\tau_{ji}$ 's, sf<sub>ji</sub>'s can be calculated according to eqs 33 and 34. Once sf<sub>ji</sub>'s are available, one can proceed to calculate  $d_i$  and cf<sub>i</sub> from eqs 40 and 42, according to the procedure in Figure 2.

Consider the example with qualitatively isolable faults in example 1. The satisfaction factors for a +20%deviation in  $a_1$  are



**Figure 6.** Diagnosis results using degree of fault  $(d_i)$  and consistency factor  $(cf_i)$ .



Figure 7. CSTR example.

	$a_1$	$a_2$	$a_3$	
e <sub>1</sub>	0.94	0.94	0	(46)
e <sub>2</sub>	0.94	0.94	0.94	

The  $sf_{ji}$ 's indicate inconsistency when  $a_2$  (or  $a_3$ ) is the assumed fault (e.g.,  $e_1$  indicating a positive deviation in  $a_2$  and  $e_2$  indicating a negative deviation in  $a_2$ ). The degrees of fault ( $d_i$ 's) are 0.94, 0, and 0.47 for  $a_1$ ,  $a_2$ , and  $a_3$  with this perturbation (Table 1A). The consistency factors  $cf_i$ 's also indicate the inconsistency for the fault assumptions  $a_2$  and  $a_3$  ( $cf_2 = -1$  and  $cf_3 = 0$ ) as shown in Table 1A. Clearly, DMA is able to isolate the fault (as opposed to the spurious solutions generated from supportability and failure likelihood). Similar results can also be found for the fault originated from  $a_2$  and  $a_3$  (Table 1A).

For example 2, an example with qualitatively isolable fault, DMA clearly discriminates the fault using  $(d_i)_{cf_i}$  for all three possible fault origins, as shown in Table 1B. The results from the second example show the advantages of the DMA over the failure likelihood of DMP and the supportability (Table 1B) without incorporating additional process knowledge.

The limitation of the proposed method is illustrated by example 3. Consider the qualitatively indistinguishable example, example 3. That is, the faults give exactly the same pattern qualitatively (e.g., eqs 24 and 25). Obviously, for given fault, all three fault assumptions  $(a_1, a_2, and a_3)$ are possible fault origins (e.g., spurious solutions) from the supportability and failure likelihood analysis (Table 1C). The DMA also gives spurious solutions, as shown in Table 1C (e.g., fault occurring in  $a_2$ ). Despite the fact that spurious interpretation is minimized to a certain degree (e.g., by comparing the cases for failures in  $a_1$  and  $a_3$  with these three methods in Table 1C), the results clearly indicate the limitation of the proposed method. Figure 6 shows the resolution of DMA for different degrees of faults.

Table 2. Steady-State Operating Conditions for CSTR

$F = 40  {\rm ft}^3/{\rm h}$	$U = 150 \text{ BTU/h ft}^3 ^{\circ}\text{R}$
$V = 48  {\rm ft}^3$	$A = 250  \text{ft}^2$
$C_{A_0} = 0.50 \text{ mol/ft}^3$	$T_{i0} = 530 \ ^{\circ} R$
$C_{\rm A} = 0.245 \ {\rm mol/ft^3}$	$\Delta H = -30\ 000\ \mathrm{BTU/mol}$
$T = 600 \ ^{\circ} \mathrm{R}$	$c_{\rm n} = 0.75  {\rm BTU/lb_m}  {\rm ^oR}$
$T_i = 594.6 \ ^{\circ} \mathrm{R}$	$c_{pi} = 1.0 \text{ BTU/lb}_{m}^{\circ} \text{R}$
$\vec{F_i} = 49.9  \text{ft}^3/\text{h}$	$\rho = 50 \text{ lb}_{\text{m}}/\text{ft}^3$
$V_i = 3.85  \text{ft}^3$	$\rho_j = 62.3 \ \text{lb}_{\text{m}}/\text{ft}^3$
$k_0 = 7.08 \times 10^{10}  \mathrm{h^{-1}}$	$\vec{R} = 1.987 \text{ BTU/mol }^{\circ}\text{R}$
$E = 30\ 000\ \mathrm{BTU/mol}$	$A_{\rm h} = 19.6 \; {\rm ft}^2$
$L^{\text{set}} = 0.192 \text{ ft}$	$T^{\text{set}} = 600 ^{\circ}\text{R}$
$k_{c1} = 32$	$k_{c2} = 10$
$\tau_{\rm I1} = 0.9 \ {\rm h}$	$\tau_{12} = 0.6 \text{ h}$
$F_{\rm max} = 96 ~{\rm ft^3/h}$	$bias_1 = 12 psi$
$bias_2 = 9 psi$	

Table 3. Process Measurements for Fault Diagnosis

symbol	measured variables
T	reactor temp
$T_0$	reactor inlet temp
$\tilde{T}_i$	cooling water outlet temp
$F_{j}$	cooling water flow rate in the jacket
F	reactor outlet flow rate

T. ble 4. Fault Origins

symbol	fault origin
$F_0$	changes in the feed flow rate
$C_{A_0}$	changes in the feed concentration
$k_0$	changes in the preexponential factor of the rate constant
U	changes in the overall heat transfer coefficient
$T_{j}$	sensor failure in cooling water outlet temp

#### 4. DMA and Diagnosis Results

A CSTR example (Luyben, 1973; Chang and Yu, 1990; Yu and Lee, 1992) is used to illustrate the formulation and diagnosis of DMA. Comparisons are made between the DMA and the deep model processor (DMP) of Petti *et al.* (1990).

**4.1. Process Description.** An irreversible, exothermic reaction is carried out in a perfectly mixed CSTR, as shown in Figure 7. The reaction is first order in reactant A.

$$A \xrightarrow{k} B \tag{47}$$

The heat generated from the reaction is removed using a cooling water jacket. Reactor temperature (T) is controlled by changing the set point of a cooling water flow controller  $(F_{jc})$ , and the reactor level (L) is controlled by changing the outlet flow rate (F). Tuning constants for these two PI controllers are  $k_{c1} = 32$  and  $\tau_{I1} = 0.9$  h for the temperature loop and  $k_{c2} = 10$  and  $\tau_{I2} = 0.6$  h for the level loop, respectively. In modeling negligible heat losses, constant densities and perfect cooling water flow control are assumed. Equations describing the system are

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}V}{\mathrm{d}t} = F_0 - F \tag{48}$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}VC_{\rm A}}{\mathrm{d}t} = F_0 C_{\rm A_0} - FC_{\rm A} - k_0 \mathrm{e}^{-E/RT} C_{\rm A} V \tag{49}$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}VT}{\mathrm{d}t} = F_0 T_0 - FT - \frac{\Delta H}{\rho c_{\mathrm{p}}} k_0 \mathrm{e}^{-E/RT} C_{\mathrm{A}} V - \frac{UA}{\rho c_{\mathrm{p}}} (T - T_j) \quad (50)$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}V_{j}T_{j}}{\mathrm{d}t} = F_{j}(T_{j0} - T_{j}) + \frac{UA}{\rho_{j}c_{\mathrm{p}j}}(T - T_{j})$$
(51)

Table 2 gives the steady-state operating conditions. Process variables employed for diagnosis include (1) process measurements and (2) process parameters inferred from control outputs, as shown in Table 3. Faults to be diagnosed include external disturbance (changes in  $F_0$  or  $C_{A_0}$ ), equipment degradation (changes in  $k_0$  or U), and sensor failure (measurement failure in  $T_j$ ), as shown in Table 4.

4.2. Formulation of Parity Equations. The formulation of parity equations is one of the most important steps in the construction of DMA. For a given system, a straightforward way to formulate the parity equations is to include all governing equations. However, in any realistic situation, not all process variables are measured (or measured online). Therefore, unmeasured variables have to be removed from governing equations.

**4.2.1. Elimination of Unmeasured Variables.** Frequent composition measurements, e.g., measuring  $C_A$ , is generally not available in an operating environment. Unfortunately,  $C_A$  plays an important role in the system



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Figure 8. Satisfaction factors  $(sf_{ji}s)$  of CSTR example for fault in  $F_0$  failure with perfect measurements.







Figure 10. Satisfaction factors of DMP approach with (A) perfect measurements and (B) measurement corrupted with noises.

equations (eqs 49 and 50). Therefore,  $C_A$  has to be eliminated from the parity equation. Since only a static diagnostic system is considered, a simple way to remove  $C_A$  is to express  $C_A$  in terms of measured variables. From eq 49,  $C_A$  becomes

$$C_{\rm A} = \frac{F_0 C_{\rm A_0}}{F + k_0 {\rm e}^{-E/RT} V}$$
(52)

Substituting eq 52 into eq 50 gives the complete set of nonlinear equations describing the CSTR with known variables:

$$F_0 - F = 0 \tag{53}$$

$$F_{0}T_{0} - FT - \frac{\Delta H F_{0}VC_{A_{0}}k_{0}e^{-E/RT}}{\rho c_{p}(F + k_{0}e^{-E/RT}V)} - \frac{UA}{\rho c_{p}}(T - T_{j}) = 0$$
 (54)

$$F_{j}(T_{j0} - T_{j}) + \frac{UA}{\rho_{j}c_{\rm pj}}(T - T_{j}) = 0$$
 (55)

Obviously, one can utilize eqs 53-55 to generate residuals once the tolerances (eq 5) are available, as mentioned in section 2. For the sake of clarity, in this work, eqs 53-55are linearized and formulated as a set of linear algebraic equations.

4.2.2. Linearization. The set of nonlinear parity equations are linearized with respect to the fault origins and the known process variables. Appendix B gives the derivation. The resultant *linear* parity equations are

$$e_1 = F_0 - F \tag{56}$$

 $e_2 = 729.68F_0 + 40T_0 - 871.62T - 699.58F + 1000T_j - 35.70U + 16000C_{A_0} - 5.57 \times 10^{-8}k_0 + 166.67V - 108578$ (57)

$$e_3 = 49.90T_{j0} + 21.50U + 601.87T - 64.63F_j - 651.78T_j$$
(58)

**4.2.3.** Normalization. It can be seen that the coefficients in the parity equations differ by several orders of magnitude. This can lead to problems in online computing. Therefore, a simple way to overcome this is to normalize the fault origins and process measurements such that deviations in these variables are expressed in terms of percent deviation. In other words, the variable  $a_i$  is normalized with respect to its nominal steady-state values:

$$\check{a}_i = \frac{a_i}{a_i^s} \tag{59}$$

Therefore, the linear parity equations become

$$e_1 = 40\check{F}_0 - 40\check{F}$$
 (60)

$$e_2 = 29187.25\check{F}_0 + 21182.9\check{T}_0 - 523002.4\check{T} - 27979.5\check{F} + 594600\check{T}_j + 8000.3\check{V} - 5355.93\check{U} + 8000.3\check{C}_{A_0} + 3946.9\check{k}_0 - 108578 \quad (61)$$

$$e_3 = -3225\check{F}_j + 26445\check{T}_{j0} + 3225\check{U} + 361122\check{T} - 387548\check{T}_i$$
(62)

To simplify these equations, a further normalization with respect to the smallest coefficient of each parity equation is carried out.

$$e_1 = \check{F}_0 - \check{F} \tag{63}$$

$$\begin{split} e_2 &= 7.395 \check{F}_0 + 5.367 \check{T}_0 - 132.51 \check{T} - 7.089 \check{F} + 150.65 \check{T}_j + \\ & 2.027 \check{V} - 1.357 \check{U} + 2.027 \check{C}_{\mathsf{A}_0} + \check{k}_0 - 27.51 \ \ (64) \end{split}$$

$$e_3 = -\check{F}_j + 8.20\check{T}_{j0} + \check{U} + 111.97\check{T} - 120.17\check{T}_j \quad (65)$$

where the caron () indicates the normalized variables. In



Figure 12. Satisfaction factors  $(sf_{ji})$  of CSTR example for fault in  $F_0$  failure with measurement noises.

a matrix form, the parity equations become

$$\begin{bmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \\ e_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 7.395 & 2.03 & 1.0 & -1.357 & 150.65 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1.0 & -120.17 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \check{F}_0 \\ \check{C}_{A_0} \\ \check{k}_0 \\ \check{T}_j \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -\check{F} \\ -132.51\check{T} + 5.367\check{T}_0 - 7.089\check{F} + 2.03\check{V} - 27.51 \\ 111.97\check{T} - \check{F}_j + 8.20\check{T}_{j0} \end{bmatrix}$$
(66)

**4.3. Diagnosis Procedure.** Following the methodology of DMA, discussed in section 3, the procedure is outlined as follows.

S1. Define the Tolerances for Each Fault Origin with Respect to Each Parity Equation. In the CSTR example, the tolerances are defined as  $\pm 10\%$  deviations from nominal steady-state.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \tau_{11} & \tau_{12} & \tau_{13} & \tau_{14} & \tau_{15} \\ \tau_{21} & \tau_{22} & \tau_{23} & \tau_{24} & \tau_{25} \\ \tau_{31} & \tau_{32} & \tau_{33} & \tau_{34} & \tau_{35} \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & \tau_{1,\min} & \tau_{1,\min} & \tau_{1,\min} & \tau_{1,\min} \\ 0.739 & 0.2 & 0.1 & -0.135 & 15.06 \\ \tau_{3,\min} & \tau_{3,\min} & \tau_{3,\min} & 0.1 & -12.02 \end{bmatrix}$$
(67)

Here  $\tau_{j,\min}$ 's are used for the tolerances with zero coefficients.

**S2.** Generate Residuals. The residuals  $(e_j$ 's) can be generated in a straightforward manner using eq 66 once process measurements  $(\check{F}, \check{T}, \check{T}_0, \check{T}_j, \check{F}_j, \text{ and }\check{V})$  are available. Notice that the fault origins,  $F_0$ ,  $\check{C}_{A_0}$ ,  $\check{k}_0$ ,  $\check{U}$ , and  $\check{T}_j$ , take the values of unity in generating residuals.

**S3.** Calculate the Satisfaction Factors,  $\mathbf{sf}_{ji}$ 's. Once the residuals  $(e_1, e_2, \text{ and } e_3)$  are available, the  $\mathbf{sf}_{ji}$ 's can be found. Since the zero exists in the parity equations (eq 66),  $\tau_{j,\min}$ 's are used to find the sf's according to eq 36. The values of  $\tau_{j,\min}$ 's are defined as the smallest  $\tau_{ji}$  (in an absolute sense). Therefore, we have  $\tau_{1,\min} = 0.1$  and  $\tau_{3,\min} = 0.1$ . Notice that  $\tau_{j,\min}$  is employed for the calculation of  $\mathbf{sf}_{ji}$  by using eqs 33 and 34 for the non-zero/zero configuration.



Figure 14. Diagnostic resolutions of DMA for (A)  $C_{A_0}$  failure and (B)  $k_0$  failure.

S4. Calculate Degree of Fault  $(d_i)$  and Consistency Factor  $(cf_i)$ . Once  $sf_{j_i}$ 's are available,  $d_i$  and  $cf_i$  can be computed according to eqs 40 and 42. The diagnostic results can be interpreted by using the index  $(d_i)_{cf_i}$  that  $d_i$  indicates the fault degree and  $cf_i$  supports the certainty.

4.4. Results and Discussion. Two diagnostic systems, the DMP of Petti *et al.* (1990) (e.g., the likelihoods  $\mathcal{F}_i$ 's of eq 13) and the proposed DMA (e.g., fault degrees and consistency factors  $(d_i)_{cf_i}$  of eqs 40 and 42) are tested on the CSTR studied by Hsu and Yu (1992). The diagnosis is performed online with a sampling period of 3 min.

Consider the case of a fault being introduced at t = 1h for a -20% decrease in  $F_0$ . The sf<sub>ji</sub>'s of DMA are shown in Figure 8, and  $d_i$  and cf<sub>i</sub> of  $(d_i)_{cf_i}$  are given in Figure 9. The results show that DMA can correctly identify the fault origin  $F_0$  using  $(d_i)_{cf_i}$ . Figure 9 reveals that despite the fact that some of the  $d_i$ 's are non-zero (even before for the occurrence of fault, t < 1 h), the combination of  $d_i$  and  $cf_i$  serves as a useful measure for the fault diagnosis. The DMP, on the other hand, produces spurious solutions as shown in Figures 10A and 11A. It finds  $F_0$ ,  $C_{A_0}$ , and  $k_0$  are possible fault origins. Notice that, from the SDG-based analyses (Hsu and Yu, 1992), this fault is qualitatively isolable. Unfortunately, the DMP fails to isolate the fault origin. In an operating environment, the measurements are often corrupted with noise. Therefore, the diagnostic systems are tested against process with measurement noises. The temperature (T) and level (L) measurements are corrupted with white measurement noises with variances of 1 °C and 1%, respectively. Again, for the fault in  $F_0$ , DMA can find the fault origin correctly (Figures 12 and 13) and DMP fails to isolate  $F_0$  (Figures 10B and 11B).





Figure 16. Diagnostic resolutions of DMA for sensor  $T_i$  failure.

Next, consider a fault in  $C_{A_0}$  (-20% decrease in  $C_{A_0}$ ). Notice that the SDG-based analyses (Yu and Lee, 1991; Hsu and Yu, 1992) show that the patterns from the fault in  $C_{A_0}$ ,  $k_0$ , and U are not qualitatively distinguishable. However, the equation-based approach (eq 66) shows that  $C_{A_0}$  and  $k_0$  are not qualitatively isolable (the zero-nonzero configuration and the coefficient are nearly the same for these two faults). Simulation results show that DMA produces spurious solution for this fault. It finds  $C_{A_0}$  and  $k_0$  as possible faults (Figure 14). Obviously, this result is expected from the analyses of the parity equations (eq 66). The DMP also gives spurious solutions (faults in  $F_0$ ,  $C_{A_0}$ , and  $k_0$ , as shown in Figure 15). Similarly, for the situation of sensor  $T_j$  failure, the proposed method can correctly find the fault origin, as shown in Figure 16.

Simulation results show that the proposed DMA gives better resolution in fault diagnosis than the DMP. As expected, the resolution of DMA is up to the qualitative isolable level. However, for a given system, the qualitative behaviors from the quantitative parity equations and from the SDG-based model are obviously not the same. The qualitatively indistinguishable faults  $C_{A_0}$ ,  $k_0$ , and U from the SDG model are now reduced to  $C_{A_0}$  and  $k_0$  from the parity equations. This can be understood since the quantitative process model is employed in the parity equations and its qualitative behavior depends on the structure of the parity equations.

#### 5. Conclusion

Equation-oriented process models are often used for fault diagnosis. However, the resolution of equationoriented diagnosis systems is often limited to, at most, the qualitative level. That is, the extent of quantitative process model is utilized only up to its qualitative level. In order to improve diagnostic resolution, the deep model algorithm (DMA) is proposed for process fault diagnosis using parity equations. The framework of DMA includes a renewed definition of satisfaction factors and the use of  $d_i$  (degree of fault) and  $cf_i$  (consistency factor) in isolating the fault origin. A procedure is also given for the construction of DMA. A CSTR example is used to illustrate the resolution of DMA. Results show that the proposed DMA is effective in isolating fault origins.

#### Nomenclature

- $A = \text{heat transfer area of CSTR, ft}^2$
- $\mathbf{a}$  = vector of fault assumption
- $a_i = i$ th fault
- $c_i(.) = j$ th confluence of system model
- $c_p$  = heat capacity of process liquid, BTU/lb<sub>m</sub> °R  $c_{pj}$  = heat capacity of cooling water, BTU/lb<sub>m</sub> °C  $C_A$  = concentration of reactant A, mol/ft<sup>3</sup>

- $C_{A_0}$  = feed concentration of reactant A, mol/ft<sup>3</sup>
- $cf_i = consistency factor for ith fault$
- $d_i$  = fault degree of *i*th fault
- E = activation energy, BTU/mol
- e = residual vector
- $e_j$  = residual value of *j*th parity equation F = reactor outlet flow rate, ft<sup>3</sup>/h
- $F_i$  = cooling water flow rate, ft<sup>3</sup>/h
- $\vec{F_0}$  = reactor inlet flow rate, ft<sup>3</sup>/h
- $\mathcal{F}$  = failure likelihood vector
- $\mathcal{F}_i$  = failure likelihood of *i*th fault
- $\mathbf{k}$  = constant vector term of parity equations
- $k_j$  = constant term of *j*th parity equation

 $k_0$  = Arrhenius constant, h<sup>-1</sup>

- m = vector of process measurements
- m = number of parity equations

n = number of fault origins  $\mathbf{P} =$  matrix of  $p_{ji}$ 

- $p_{ji}$  = coefficient for *i*th fault on *j*th parity equation
- $q_i$  = fault supportability of *i*th fault
- r = number of equations with non-zero coefficient in parity equations
- $sgn^* = sign of sf_{ii}$ , defined by eq 36
- $sf_j = satisfaction factor of jth confluence, defined by DMP method$
- $sf_{ji}$  = satisfaction factor for *i*th fault of *j*th parity equation T = reactor temperature, °R
- $T_j = \text{cooling water temperature, }^{\circ}\mathbf{R}$
- $T_{j0}$  = cooling water inlet temperature, °R
- $T_0$  = reactor inlet temperature, °R
- U = overall heat transfer coefficient, BTU/h ft<sup>3</sup> °R
- $V = reactor volume, ft^3$
- $V_j$  = heat transfer area of jacket, ft<sup>2</sup>

#### Greek letters

 $\alpha_i$  = percent of deviation in  $a_i$   $\Delta H$  = heat of reaction, BTU/mol  $\tau_{Ii}$  = reset time for *i*th loop of PI controller  $\tau_{ij}$  = tolerance for *i*th fault of *j*th parity equation  $\tau_j$  = tolerance for *j*th confluence of DMP method  $\rho$  = density of process liquid,  $lb_m/ft^3$  $\rho_j$  = density of cooling water,  $lb_m/ft^3$ 

#### Subscripts

- = lower bound
 meas = measured data
 max = maximum value
 min = minimum value

#### Superscripts

- = upper bound

= normalized fault with respect to steady-state value s = steady-state value

set = set point

#### Appendix

Appendix A. Derivation of Consistency Factor,  $cf_i$ . In a decision-making process, most heuristic methods have sought to justify exhausting information by some quasiprobabilistic interpretations. The certainty factor CF is the most common representation of heuristic weights that indicates the certainty with which each evidence is believed (Shortliffe, 1976). The value of CF falls between -1 and +1 for the indications of disbelief and belief, respectively. The concept of CF is extended to find the consistency of  $sf_{ji}$ 's for fault isolation.

For a system with *m* parity equations and a given fault  $a_i$ , the satisfaction factors  $sf_{1i}$ ,  $sf_{2i}$ , ...,  $sf_{mi}$  are randomly distributed between the bounds of  $sf_{i,\min}$  and  $sf_{i,\max}$ . From the definition of  $sf_{ji}$  (eqs 33 and 34), it is clear that  $sf_{ji}$  is the indication of the direction as well as *degree* of fault. Therefore,  $sf_{ji}$ 's have to be normalized before it can be processed further. A simple way to do this is to make the largest  $|sf_{ji}|$  (j = 1, 2, ..., m) equal to 1. Therefore, the normalized  $sf_{ji}$  becomes (Figure 17)

$$s\tilde{f}_{ji} = \frac{sf_{ji}}{\max(|sf_{1i}|, |sf_{i2}|, ..., |sf_{mi}|)}$$
(A1)

Since we have *m* evidences  $(s\tilde{f}_{1i}, s\tilde{f}_{2i}, ..., s\tilde{f}_{mi})$  supporting the fault  $a_i$ , the consistency between these evidences is a measure of belief or disbelief. For example, if  $s\tilde{f}_{ji}$ 's are all positive and distributed over a small range, then these evidences are consistent (Figure 17A). On the other hand,



Figure 17. Conceptual diagram of consistency factor with decreasing consistency (from A to D).

if  $s \tilde{f}_{ji}$  ranges from positive to negative, then these parity equations give conflicting evidence (Figure 17C and D). Therefore, the width between the largest and smallest  $s \tilde{f}_{ji}$ is an indication of consistency. The consistency factor for the *i*th fault  $cf_i$  can be defined as

$$cf_{i} = 1 - (sf_{\max,i} - sf_{\min,i})$$
  
=  $1 - \left(\frac{sf_{\max,i} - sf_{\min,i}}{\max(|sf_{1i}|, |sf_{2i}|, ..., |sf_{mi}|)}\right)$  (A2)

Figure 17 shows four cases with decreasing consistency. Appendix B. Linearized Parity Equations for CSTR. The steady-state equations for the CSTR (eqs 53-55) can be linearized with respect to fault origins and process measurements as

$$0 = F_0 - F \tag{B1}$$

$$\begin{split} 0 &= \left(T_{0}^{s} - \frac{\Delta H}{\rho c_{p}} \frac{C_{A0}^{s} k^{s}}{F^{s} + k^{s} V^{s}} V^{s}\right) F_{0} + F_{0}^{s} T_{0} + \left(-F^{s} - \frac{U^{s} A}{\rho c_{p}} - \frac{\Delta H}{\rho c_{p}} \frac{F_{0}^{s} F^{s} C_{A0}^{s} V^{s}}{(F^{s} + k^{s} V^{s})^{2}} \frac{E k^{s}}{R T^{s^{2}}}\right) T - \left(T^{s} - \frac{\Delta H}{\rho c_{p}} \frac{F_{0}^{s} k^{s} C_{A0}^{s} V^{s}}{(F^{s} + k^{s} V^{s})^{2}}\right) F + \left(\frac{U^{s} A}{\rho c_{p}}\right) T_{j} + \left(-\frac{A}{\rho c_{p}} T^{s} + \frac{A}{\rho c_{p}} T_{j}^{s}\right) U + \left(-\frac{\Delta H}{\rho c_{p}} \frac{F_{0}^{s} k^{s} V^{s}}{(F^{s} + k^{s} V^{s})^{2}}\right) F_{j} + \left(-\frac{\Delta H}{\rho c_{p}} \frac{F_{0}^{s} k^{s} V^{s}}{(F^{s} + k^{s} V^{s})^{2}}\right) C_{A_{0}} + \left(-\frac{\Delta H}{\rho c_{p}} \frac{F_{0}^{s} k^{s} V^{s}}{(F^{s} + k^{s} V^{s})^{2}}\right) V + \left(\frac{\Delta H}{\rho c_{p}} \frac{F_{0}^{s} F^{s} C_{A0}^{s} V^{s}}{(F^{s} + k^{s} V^{s})^{2}} \frac{E k^{s}}{R T^{s}} + \frac{\Delta H}{\rho c_{p}} \frac{F_{0}^{s} V^{s} C_{A0}^{s} k^{s}}{(F^{s} + k^{s} V^{s})}\right) (B2) \\ 0 &= F_{j}^{s} T_{j0} = \frac{A}{\rho_{j} c_{pj}} (T^{s} - T_{j}^{s}) U + \frac{A}{\rho_{j} c_{pj}} U^{s} T - (T_{j}^{s} - T_{j0}^{s}) F_{j} - \left(F_{j}^{s} + \frac{A U^{s}}{\rho_{j} c_{pj}}\right) T_{j} (B3) \end{split}$$

Substituting the steady-state values (Table 2) into eqs B1-B3, we have

$$0 = F_0 - F \tag{B4}$$

 $0 = 729.68F_0 + 40T_0 - 871.62T - 699.58F + 1000T_j -$  $35.70U + 16000C_{A_0} - 5.57 \times 10^{-8} k_0 + 166.67V - 108578$ (B5)

$$0 = 49.90T_{j0} + 21.50U + 601.87T - 64.63F_j - 651.78T_j$$
(B6)

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