

INTRODUCTION AND CONTEXT

- The reliability of embedded systems for autonomous vehicles (like UAVs) is crucial and should be monitored.
- Onboard diagnosis is one solution that can be achieved by means of Bayesian networks [1] [2].
- A hardware implementation of Bayesian inference is proposed in [3] using compilation into an Arithmetic Circuit (AC); it has recently been experimented in Software Health Management of aircrafts or UAVs [4].
- Two kinds of obstacles have to be addressed:
 - A static analysis of a whole system by means of AC trees can lead to intractable solutions.
 - An offline static computation cannot capture the dynamic behaviour of a system that can have multiple configurations and applications.
- Our direction :
 - An adaptive version of the diagnosis computation for different kinds of applications/missions of UAVs based on an incremental generation of the AC structure.
 - A possible implementation using dynamic reconfiguration of FPGA circuits.

COMPILATION OF A BAYESIAN NETWORK AND INFERENCE COMPUTATION

Each Bayesian network can be represented as a multi-linear function (MLF). The MLF is transformed into an arithmetic circuit (AC) which is used to compute the probabilities by means of a differential approach. The construction of the AC is done offline but probabilities are computed online, as soon as the evidences (indicator values) are given.

Compilation of a Bayesian network into an AC

- Bayesian networks as MLFs
- For each Bayesian network we can define a unique MLF over two types of variables:
 - Evidence indicators (λ_x)
 - Network parameters ($\theta_{x|u}$)

$$f = \sum_x \prod_{xu \sim x} \lambda_x \theta_{x|u} \quad (1)$$

- Example: $f(\bar{b}) = f(\lambda_a=1, \lambda_{\bar{a}}=1, \lambda_b=0, \lambda_{\bar{b}}=1) = \theta_a \theta_{b|a} + \theta_{\bar{a}} \theta_{\bar{b}|\bar{a}}$

⇒ Compilation into an AC

- AC by factorisation [5]

- Hierarchical building of an AC

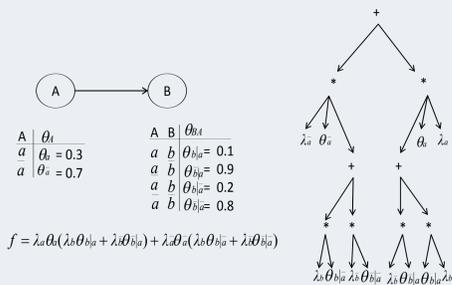


Fig.1.a) A Bayesian network with the factored function

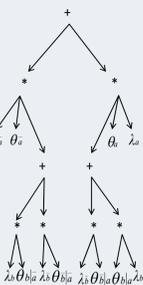


Fig.1.b) The corresponding AC

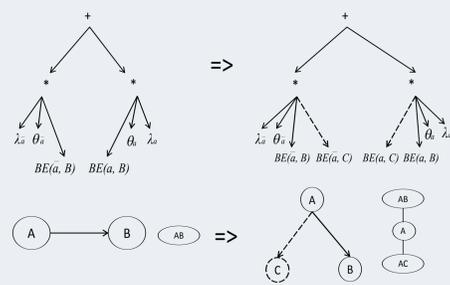


Fig.2 An incremental generation of the AC with Bayesian network structure or jointree

Computing probabilities using an AC

$$P(x|e) = \frac{P(x,e)}{P(e)} \quad (e: \text{evidences, } x: \text{variable})$$

- Upward-pass: evaluating an arithmetic circuit (computing $P(e) = f(e)$).
- Downward-pass: computing the circuit derivatives (computing $P(x, e) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial \lambda_x}(e)$).
- Let v be an arbitrary node in a circuit f :

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial v} = \sum_p \frac{\partial f}{\partial p} \frac{\partial p}{\partial v}$$

- Let v' be another child of a parent p (p^* multiplication node, $p+$ addition node).

$$\frac{\partial p^*}{\partial v} = \frac{\partial v(\prod_{v'} v')}{\partial v} = \prod_{v'} v' \quad \frac{\partial p+}{\partial v} = \frac{\partial v + (\sum_{v'} v')}{\partial v} = 1 \quad (2)$$

⇒ The AC approach simplifies the probability computation.

THE ADAPTIVE DIAGNOSIS OF A UAV EMBEDDED SYSTEM THROUGH MISSIONS

Bayesian network corresponding to a task

- Nodes:
 - Command (C):** representing one demand. (c or \bar{c}).
 - State (U):** indicating the internal state of the system (u or \bar{u}).
 - Health (H):** representing the health of the system (h or \bar{h}).
 - Sensor (S):** indicating the value of the sensor (s or \bar{s}).
 - Health-Sensor (HS):** representing the health of the sensor (hs or \bar{hs}).

Task 1: taking pictures
If the sensor S detects the memory space overflow for the image storage, and a command C is launched, the Health of the system H will be bad.

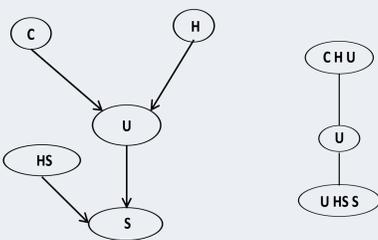


Fig.3 A Bayesian network and the jointree of task 1

- Edges:
 - U is commanded by C and monitored by H .
 - U is observed by S which is monitored by HS .

⇒ Goal: Compute $P(h|c, s)$

Considering node H as the root node of the AC.

$$P(h, c, s) = f(c, s, \lambda_h = 1, \lambda_{\bar{h}} = 0)$$

Reconfiguration of an AC for adaptive diagnosis

⇒ We use the AC of task 1 to obtain the complete AC of task 2.

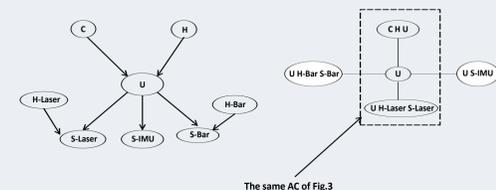


Fig.4 A Bayesian network and the jointree of task 2: computing altitude with 3 sensors (IMU, barometric and laser altimeter)

- For the cluster (U, S-IMU), these steps are as follows:
 - go to all (*) of U;
 - add a (+) node for each (*) node and add an arc for $BE(u, S-IMU)$ when the (*) node has λ_u as child and $BE(\bar{u}, S-IMU)$ when the (*) node has $\lambda_{\bar{u}}$ as child.
- For the cluster (U, H-Bar, S-Bar), these steps are as follows:
 - go to all (*) of U;
 - add a (+) node and two (*) nodes for each (*) node of U. For the first (*) node, add an arc for $\lambda_{h-Bar}, \theta_{h-Bar}$ and $BE(u, h-Bar, S-Bar)$ when the (*) node has λ_u as child and $BE(\bar{u}, h-Bar, S-Bar)$ when the (*) node has $\lambda_{\bar{u}}$ as child. For the second (*) node, add an arc for $\lambda_{\bar{h}-Bar}, \theta_{\bar{h}-Bar}$ and $BE(u, \bar{h}-Bar, S-Bar)$ when the (*) node has λ_u as child and $BE(\bar{u}, \bar{h}-Bar, S-Bar)$ when the (*) node has $\lambda_{\bar{u}}$ as child.

CONCLUSION

- We have applied adaptive diagnosis to a number of independent tasks.
- This approach reduces the complexity and provides a gain in space and time.
- For future work:
 - Apply adaptive diagnosis to tasks with interactions and to a complete system.
 - Make use of partial/dynamic reconfigurations of Xilinx FPGAs.
 - Implement an application specific processor as a soft core on an FPGA.

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