

Grey-Box Modeling; An approach to combined physical and statistical model building

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Traditional Dynamical Model



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Stochastic Dynamical Model





- Stochastic Differential Equation:
 - $dA = -KAdt + \sigma dw$ Y = A + e



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The grey box model





- X_t : State variables
- u_t : Input variables
- θ : Parameters
- Y_k : Output variables
- t: Time
- ω_t : Standard Wiener process
- e_k : White noise process with N(0, S)

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Grey-box modelling concept



- Combines prior physical knowledge with information in data
- Equations and parameters are physically interpretable





Forecasting and Simulation

Grey-Box models are well suited for ...

- One-step forecasts
- K-step forecasts
- Simulations
- Control
- ... of both observed and hidden states.
- It provides a framework for pinpointing model deficiencies – like:
 - Time-tracking of unexplained variations in e.g. parameters
 - Missing (differential) equations
 - Missing functional relations
 - Lack of proper description of the uncertainty





Grey-box model building





Grey-Box Modelling



- Bridge the gap between physical and statistical modelling
- Provides methods for model identification
- Provides methods for model validation
- Provides methods for pinpointing model deficiencies
- Enables methods for a reliable description of the uncertainties, which implies that the same model can be used for k-step forecasting, simulation and control



Energy System Models for real time applications



Grey-box models are simplified models for the individual components facilitating system integration





Energy Systems Integration Continuum

(From Ben Kroposki, NREL)





Flexhouse at SYSLAB (DTU Risø)







Data and the first principal component





A first order model often used for simulation







Model evaluation of the first order model



 Model is not adequate since residuals are not white noise





Final model found using Grey-box techniques







Model evaluation - Extended model



 This model is OK, since residuals are uncorrelated (white noise)



Grundfos Case Study

Schematic of the heating system



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Modeling Heat Pump and Solar Collector

Simplified System





Avanced Controller

Economic Model Predictive Control

Formulation

The Economic MPC problem, with the constraints and the model, can be summarized into the following formal formulation:

$$\min_{\{u_k\}_{k=0}^{N-1}} \phi = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} c' u_k$$
Subject to $x_{k+1} = Ax_k + Bu_k + Ed_k k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$ (4b)
 $y_k = Cx_k \qquad k = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1$ (4c)
 $u_{min} \le u_k \le u_{max} \qquad k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$ (4d)
 $\Delta u_{min} \le \Delta u_k \le \Delta u_{max} \qquad k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$ (4e)
 $y_{min} \le y_k \le y_{max} \qquad k = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$ (4f)

EMPC for heat pump with solar collector (savings 35 pct)



The software ...



- CTSM-R Continuous Time Stochastic Modelling in R
- Download from http://ctsm.info
- User Guide and Math Guide available
- For more information. Email to info@ctsm.info
- Our intention is to provide relevant model examples and guidelines for at the homepage



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Some 'randomly picked' books on modeling



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