Sparse Identification of Nonlinear Dynamics for Model Predictive Control

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Master's Thesis

Model predictive control (MPC) is a powerful tool to control systems with nonlinear dynamics and constraints. Nonlinear systems are frequently encountered in control-related areas, such as control of bioreactors or robotic arms. These nonlinear systems usually lack computationally tractable models, making it difficult for application in real-time control. Hence, system identification techniques are necessary to obtain precise and efficient models for MPC.

Here, we focus on sparse identification of nonlinear dynamics (SINDy).¹

Your tasks will be:

- 1. Literature review on SINDy with control
- 2. Implementation of SINDy algorithm in HILO-MPC²
- 3. Performance comparison against other data-driven MPC implementations

Experience with / Model predictive control, data-driven modeling, knowledge about: system identification

Programming skills: Python (good to very good skills required)

Language: English (thesis and presentation), German





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¹ https://doi.org/10.1109/CDC45484.2021.9683120

² https://www.ccps.tu-darmstadt.de/research_ccps/hilo_mpc/index.en.jsp