

Robust Optimization With Hybrid First-Principles Data-Driven Models

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Robust Optimization



Background



[1] von Stosch, M.; Oliveira, R.; Peres, J.; de Azevedo, S. F. Hybrid semi-parametric modeling in process systems engineering: Past, present and future. *Computers & Chemical Engineering* 2014,60, 86–101.

Hybrid Model Architecture

• Parallel structure





Hybrid Model Architecture

• Serial structure

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Artificial Neural Network

• Multilayer perceptron

 Convex/concave envelopes of activation functions





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Envelope

Equality-Constrained Bilevel program



Reformulation: Semi-Infinite Program

- How to solve the min-max problems?
 - Assume there exists a unique implicit function $\mathbf{z}: X \times \Pi \rightarrow Z$ such that

 $\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{x},\boldsymbol{\pi}),\mathbf{x},\boldsymbol{\pi})=\mathbf{0}$

— Use equivalent semi-infinite constraints for the lower-level program:

 $0 \geq \max_{\boldsymbol{\pi} \in \Pi, \hat{\boldsymbol{z}} \in Z} g(\hat{\boldsymbol{z}}, \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{\pi}) \Leftrightarrow g(\boldsymbol{z}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{\pi}), \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{\pi}) \leq 0, \forall \boldsymbol{\pi} \in \Pi$

— Then, the min-max program can be reformulated as a semi-infinite program (SIP): $\min_{\mathbf{x}\in X} f(\mathbf{x})$ $\min_{\mathbf{x}\in X} f(\mathbf{x})$

s.t.
$$0 \ge \max_{\pi \in \Pi, \hat{z} \in Z} g(\hat{z}, \mathbf{x}, \pi) \iff \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in X} f(\mathbf{x})$$

s.t. $\mathbf{h}(\hat{z}, \mathbf{x}, \pi) = \mathbf{0}$
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s.t. $g(\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{x}, \pi), \mathbf{x}, \pi) \le 0, \forall \pi \in \Pi$
 Π is a nonempty, compact interval,

AIChE Annual Meeting 2021 there are infinitely-many constraints

SIP Algorithm

Cutting plane algorithm



Global Optimization



- Every realization of uncertainty should be considered
- Functions are likely nonconvex, global solution is required



EAGO.jl: Global Deterministic Optimization of Simulations

EAGO.jl: A deterministic global optimizer in Julia



EAGO

https://www.github.com/PSORLab/EAGO.jl

- Can solve formulations with userdefined expressions (simulations, etc.)
- Uses composite relaxation framework that enables expansion to an esoteric set of problems
- Includes a full library of envelopes for activation functions and other common expressions/transcendental functions
- 1. Wilhelm, M.E., and Stuber, M.D.. EAGO.jl: easy advanced global optimization in Julia. Optimization Methods and Software, 1-26.

Case Study: Nitrification CSTR



Case Study: Subsea Separators



[1] Worst-case design of subsea production facilities using semi-infinite programming. Stuber, M.D. et al. (2014) *AIChE Journal*, 60, 2513-2524







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Case Study: Subsea Separators

Problem Statement

For any inlet gas fraction (*stream 1*) within typical bounds, is there a control setting that will prevent the effluent gas fraction of the liquid-liquid separator (*stream 7*) from exceeding the specification and damaging the pump.

Problem Statement (Max-Min-Max Program)

 $h(z, u, \pi) = 0 \longrightarrow z = x(u, \pi)$



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Semi-infinite constraint:

$$g(\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{u},\boldsymbol{\pi}),\mathbf{u},\boldsymbol{\pi}) \equiv x_{G7}(\mathbf{u},\boldsymbol{\pi}) - 0.05 \le 0$$

Uncertain Parameter (Inlet Gas Fraction)

 $\pi = (\xi_{G1}) \in [0.35, 0.5]$

State Variables

$\mathbf{z} = \left(\xi_{G4}, \xi_{W4}, \xi_{O4}, \xi_{G7}, \xi_{O7}, H_{GLS}, \dot{m}_3, \dot{m}_4, \dot{m}_6, \dot{m}_7, \dot{m}_8\right)$



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Control Settings (Valve Position)

 $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2) \in [0.3, 0.85] \times [0.3, 0.85]$

Case Study: Subsea Separators

- The part of the simulation not replaced with surrogate models was evaluated in a block sequential fashion.
- \circ Solved using the SIPres¹ in EAGO² to an absolute tolerance of 10^{-3} .
- \circ Optimal solution found at -6.6×10^{-4} , ensure the robust feasibility.
- The algorithm terminated within an optimal value in 3 iterations, taking 2.9 CPU seconds.
- Results in a 70x improvement in computational time relative to implicit function method used with original simulation in [1].



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