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INTRODUCTION

1.1 General

MPCPy is a python package that facilitates the testing and implementation of occupant-integrated model predictive control (MPC) for building systems. The package focuses on the use of data-driven, simplified physical or statistical models to predict building performance and optimize control. Four main modules contain object classes to import data, interact with real or emulated systems, estimate and validate data-driven models, and optimize control inputs:

- `exodata` classes collect external data and process it for use within MPCPy. This includes data for weather, internal loads, control signals, grid signals, model parameters, optimization constraints, and miscellaneous inputs.
- `system` classes represent real or emulated systems to be controlled, collecting measurements from and providing control inputs to the systems. For example, these include detailed simulations or real data collected for zone thermal response, HVAC performance, or ground-truth occupancy.
- `models` classes represent system models for MPC, managing model simulation, estimation, and validation. For example, these could represent an RC zone thermal response model, simplified HVAC equipment performance models, or occupancy models.
- `optimization` classes formulate and solve the MPC optimization problems using `models` objects.

Three other modules provide additional, mainly internal, functionality to MPCPy:

- `variables` and `units` classes together maintain the association of static or timeseries data with units.
- `utility` classes provide functionality needed across modules and for interactions with external components.

1.2 Third-Party Software

While MPCPy provides an integration platform, it relies on free, open-source, third-party software packages for model implementation, simulators, parameter estimation algorithms, and optimization solvers. This includes python packages for scripting and data manipulation as well as other more comprehensive software packages for specific purposes. In particular, modeling and optimization for physical systems rely on the Modelica language specification (<https://www.modelica.org/>) and FMI standard (<http://fmi-standard.org/>) in order to leverage model library and tool development on these standards occurring elsewhere within the building and other industries. Two examples of these third-party tools are:

- **JModelica.org** (<http://jmodelica.org/>) is used for simulation of FMUs, compiling FMUs from Modelica models, parameter estimation of Modelica models, and control optimization using Modelica models.
- **EstimationPy** (<http://lbl-srg.github.io/EstimationPy/>) is used for implementing the Unscented Kalman Filter for parameter estimation of FMU models.

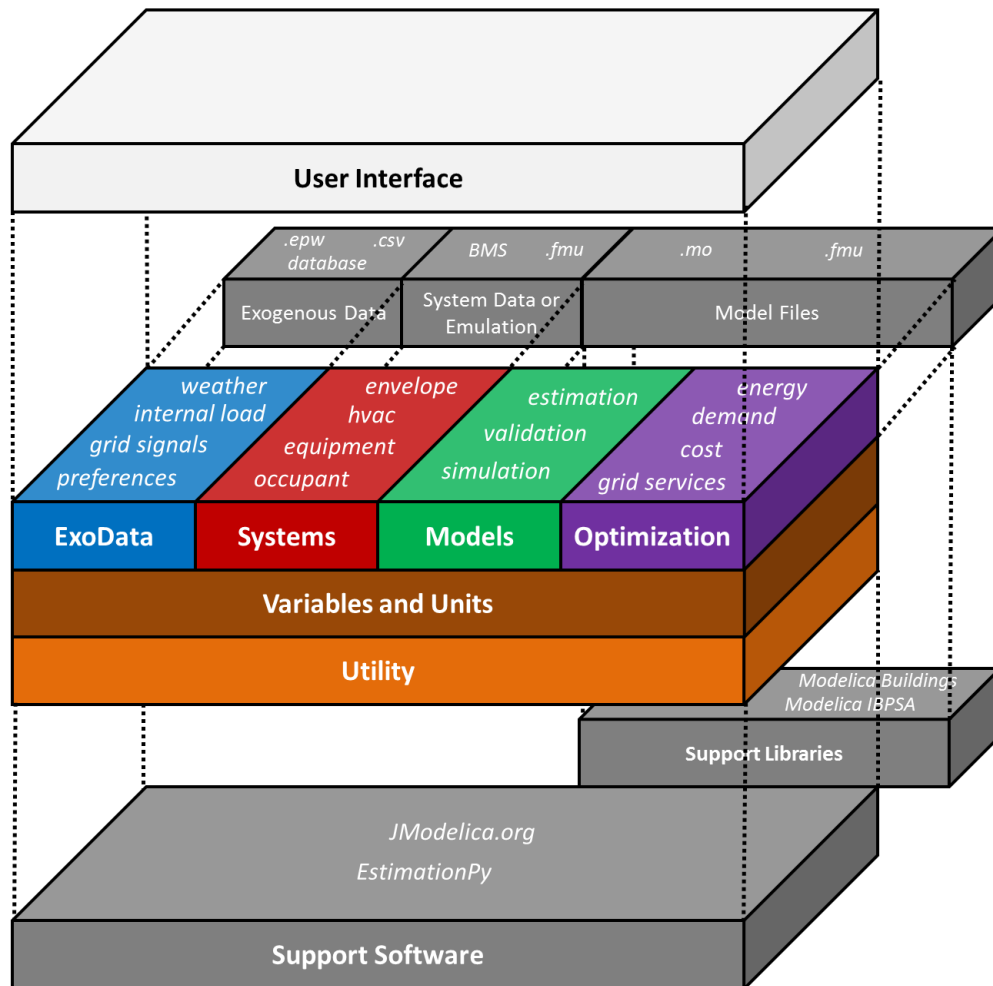


Fig. 1.1: Software architecture diagram for MPCPy. Note that a user interface has not been developed.

1.3 Contributing

Research has shown that MPC can address emerging control challenges faced by buildings. However, there exists no standard practice or methods for implementing MPC in buildings. Implementation is defined here as model structure, complexity, and training methods, data resolution and amount, optimization problem structure and algorithm, and transfer of optimal control solution to real building control. In fact, different applications likely require different implementations. Therefore, the aim is for MPCPy to be flexible enough to accommodate different and new approaches to MPC in buildings.

If you are interested in contributing to this project, please contact the developers and visit the development site at <https://github.com/lbl-srg/MPCPy>.

1.4 Cite

To cite MPCPy, please use:

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GETTING STARTED

To get started with MPCPy, first follow the installation instructions below. Then, checkout the introductory tutorial to get a feel for the workflow of MPCPy. You can always consult the user guide for more information.

2.1 Installation Instructions For Linux (Ubuntu 16.04 LTS)

1. Install Python Packages

- matplotlib >= 2.0.2
- numpy >= 1.13.1
- pandas >= 0.20.3
- python-dateutil >= 2.6.1
- pytz >= 2017.2
- scikit-learn >= 0.18.2
- sphinx >= 1.6.3
- numpydoc >= 0.7.0
- tzwhere = 2.3

2. Install libgeos-dev with command:

```
> sudo apt-get install libgeos-dev
```

3. Install JModelica 2.0 (for Modelica compiling, optimization, and fmu simulation)

4. Create JModelica environmental variables

- add the following lines to your bashrc script and replace the “...” with the JModelica install directory:

```
export JMODELICA_HOME="../../../JModelica"
export IPOPT_HOME="../../../Ipopt-3.12.4-inst"
export SUNDIALS_HOME="$JMODELICA_HOME/ThirdParty/Sundials"
export CPPAD_HOME="$JMODELICA_HOME/ThirdParty/CppAD/"
export SEPARATE_PROCESS_JVM="/usr/lib/jvm/java-8-openjdk-amd64/"
export JAVA_HOME="/usr/lib/cd docdjvm/java-8-openjdk-amd64/"
```

5. Create the MODELICAPATH environmental variable

- add the following lines to your bashrc script (assumes 4. above sets JMODELICA_HOME):

```
export MODELICAPATH="$JMODELICA_HOME/ThirdParty/MSL"
```

6. Download or Clone EstimationPy-KA

- go to <https://github.com/krzysztofarendt/EstimationPy-KA> and clone or download repository into a directory (let's call it `.../EstimationPy-KA`).

7. Download or Clone MPCPy

- go to <https://github.com/lbl-srg/MPCPy> and clone or download repository into a directory (let's call it `.../MPCPy`).

8. Edit PYTHONPATH environmental variable

- add the following lines to your `bashrc` script (assumes 4. above sets `JMODELICA_HOME`) and replace the `"..."` with the appropriate directory:

```
export PYTHONPATH=$PYTHONPATH:"$JMODELICA_HOME/Python"
export PYTHONPATH=$PYTHONPATH:"$JMODELICA_HOME/Python/pymodelica"
export PYTHONPATH=$PYTHONPATH:".../EstimationPy-KA"
export PYTHONPATH=$PYTHONPATH:".../MPCPy"
```

9. Test the installation

- Run the introductory tutorial example. From the command-line, use the commands:

```
> cd doc/userGuide/tutorial
> python introductory.py
```

10. Optional, for developers only

- to pass all unit tests, the [Modelica Buildings Library](#) must also be on the `MODELICAPATH`. Download the library and add the appropriate directory path to the `MODELICAPATH` variable.
- to generate the user guide pdf, latex must be installed. Use the following commands to install `texlive` and `latexmk`:

```
> sudo apt-get install texlive
> sudo apt-get install texlive-formats-extra
> sudo apt-get install latexmk
```

2.2 Introductory Tutorial

This tutorial will introduce the basic concepts and workflow of `mpcpy`. By the end, we will train a simple model based on emulated data, and use the model to optimize the control signal of the system. All required data files for this tutorial are located in `doc/userGuide/tutorial`.

The model is a simple RC model of zone thermal response to ambient temperature and a singal heat input. It is written in Modelica:

```
model RC "A simple RC network for example purposes"
  Modelica.Blocks.Interfaces.RealInput weatDryBul(unit="K") "Ambient temperature";
  Modelica.Blocks.Interfaces.RealInput Qflow(unit="W") "Heat input";
  Modelica.Blocks.Interfaces.RealOutput Tzone(unit="K") "Zone temperature";
  Modelica.Thermal.HeatTransfer.Components.HeatCapacitor heatCapacitor(C=1e5)
    "Thermal capacitance of zone";
  Modelica.Thermal.HeatTransfer.Components.ThermalResistor thermalResistor(R=0.01)
    "Thermal resistance of zone";
```

```

Modelica.Thermal.HeatTransfer.Sources.PrescribedTemperature preTemp;
Modelica.Thermal.HeatTransfer.Sensors.TemperatureSensor senTemp;
Modelica.Thermal.HeatTransfer.Sources.PrescribedHeatFlow preHeat;
equation
  connect (senTemp.T, Tzone)
  connect (preHeat.Q_flow, Qflow)
  connect (heatCapacitor.port, senTemp.port)
  connect (heatCapacitor.port, preHeat.port)
  connect (preTemp.port, thermalResistor.port_a)
  connect (thermalResistor.port_b, heatCapacitor.port)
  connect (preTemp.T, weaTDryBul)
end RC;

```

2.2.1 Variables and Units

First, lets get familiar with variables and units, the basic building blocks of MPCPy.

```

>>> from mpcpy import variables
>>> from mpcpy import units

```

Static variables contain data that is not a timeseries:

```

>>> setpoint = variables.Static('setpoint', 20, units.degC)
>>> print(setpoint)
Name: setpoint
Variability: Static
Quantity: Temperature
Display Unit: degC

```

The unit assigned to the variable is the display unit. However, each display unit quantity has a base unit that is used to store the data in memory. This makes it easy to convert between units when necessary. For example, the degC display unit has a quantity temperature, which has base unit in Kelvin.

```

>>> # Get the data in display units
>>> setpoint.display_data()
20.0
>>> # Get the data in base units
>>> setpoint.get_base_data()
293.15
>>> # Convert the display unit to degF
>>> setpoint.set_display_unit(units.degF)
>>> setpoint.display_data()
68.0

```

Timeseries variables contain data in the form of a pandas Series with a datetime index:

```

>>> # Create pandas Series object
>>> import pandas as pd
>>> data = [0, 5, 10, 15, 20]
>>> index = pd.date_range(start='1/1/2017', periods=len(data), freq='H')
>>> ts = pd.Series(data=data, index=index, name='power_data')

```

Now we can do the same thing with the timeseries variable as we did with the static variable:

```

>>> # Create mpcpy variable
>>> power_data = variables.Timeseries('power_data', ts, units.Btuh)

```

```

>>> print(power_data)
Name: power_data
Variability: Timeseries
Quantity: Power
Display Unit: Btuh
>>> # Get the data in display units
>>> power_data.display_data()
2017-01-01 00:00:00+00:00    0.0
2017-01-01 01:00:00+00:00    5.0
2017-01-01 02:00:00+00:00   10.0
2017-01-01 03:00:00+00:00   15.0
2017-01-01 04:00:00+00:00   20.0
Freq: H, Name: power_data, dtype: float64
>>> # Get the data in base units
>>> power_data.get_base_data()
2017-01-01 00:00:00+00:00    0.000000
2017-01-01 01:00:00+00:00    1.465355
2017-01-01 02:00:00+00:00    2.930711
2017-01-01 03:00:00+00:00    4.396066
2017-01-01 04:00:00+00:00    5.861421
Freq: H, Name: power_data, dtype: float64
>>> # Convert the display unit to kW
>>> power_data.set_display_unit(units.kW)
>>> power_data.display_data()
2017-01-01 00:00:00+00:00    0.000000
2017-01-01 01:00:00+00:00    0.001465
2017-01-01 02:00:00+00:00    0.002931
2017-01-01 03:00:00+00:00    0.004396
2017-01-01 04:00:00+00:00    0.005861
Freq: H, Name: power_data, dtype: float64

```

There is additional functionality with the units that may be useful, such as setting new data and getting the units. Consult the documentation on these classes for more information.

2.2.2 Collect model weather and control signal data

Now, we would like to collect the weather data and control signal inputs for our model. We do this using exodata objects:

```
>>> from mpcpy import exodata
```

Let's take our weather data from an EPW file. We instantiate the weather exodata object by supplying the path to the EPW file:

```
>>> weather = exodata.WeatherFromEPW('USA_IL_Chicago-OHare.Intl.AP.725300_TMY3.epw')
```

Note that using the weather exodata object assumes that weather inputs to our model are named a certain way. Consult the documentation on the weather exodata class for more information. In this case, the ambient dry bulb temperature input in our model is named weaTDryBul.

Let's take our control input signal from a CSV file. The CSV file looks like:

```

Time,Qflow_csv
01/01/17 12:00 AM,3000
01/01/17 01:00 AM,3000
01/01/17 02:00 AM,3000

```

```
...
01/02/17 10:00 PM, 3000
01/02/17 11:00 PM, 3000
01/03/17 12:00 AM, 3000
```

We instantiate the control exodata object by supplying the path to the CSV file as well as a map of the names of the columns to the input of our model. We also assume that the data in the CSV file is given in the local time of the weather file, and so we supply this optional parameter, `tz_name`, upon instantiation as well. If no time zone is supplied, it is assumed to be UTC.

```
>>> variable_map = {'Qflow_csv' : ('Qflow', units.W)}
>>> control = exodata.ControlFromCSV('ControlSignal.csv',
...                                 variable_map,
...                                 tz_name = weather.tz_name)
```

Now we are ready to collect the exogenous data from our data sources for a given time period.

```
>>> start_time = '1/1/2017'
>>> final_time = '1/3/2017'
>>> weather.collect_data(start_time, final_time)
-etc-
>>> control.collect_data(start_time, final_time)
```

Use the `display_data()` and `get_base_data()` functions for the weather and control objects to get the data in the form of a pandas dataframe. Note that the data is given in UTC time.

```
>>> control.display_data()

          Qflow
Time
2017-01-01 06:00:00+00:00  3000.0
2017-01-01 07:00:00+00:00  3000.0
2017-01-01 08:00:00+00:00  3000.0
-etc-
```

2.2.3 Simulate as Emulated System

The model has parameters for the resistance and capacitance set in the modelica code. For the purposes of this tutorial, we will assume that the model with these parameter values represents the actual system. We now wish to collect measurements from this ‘actual system.’ For this, we use the `systems` module of `mpcpy`.

```
>>> from mpcpy import systems
```

First, we instantiate our system model by supplying a measurement dictionary, information about where the model resides, and information about model exodata.

The measurement dictionary holds information about and data from the variables being measured. We start with defining the variables we are interested in measuring and their sample rate. In this case, we only have one, and it is the output of the model, called ‘Tzone’. Note that ‘heatCapacitor.T’ would also be valid.

```
>>> measurements = {'Tzone' : {}}
>>> measurements['Tzone']['Sample'] = variables.Static('sample_rate_Tzone',
...                                                    3600,
...                                                    units.s)
```

The model information is given by a tuple containing the path to the Modelica (.mo) file, the path of the model within the .mo file, and a list of paths of any required libraries other than the Modelica Standard. For this example, there are no additional libraries.

```
>>> moinfo = ('Tutorial.mo', 'Tutorial.RC', {})
```

Ultimately, the modelica model is compiled into an FMU. If the emulation model is already an FMU, then an `fmupath` can be specified instead of the modelica information tuple. For more information, see the documentation on the `systems` class.

We can now instantiate the system emulation object with our measurement dictionary, model information, collected exogenous data, and time zone:

```
>>> emulation = systems.EmulationFromFMU(measurements,
...                                     moinfo = moinfo,
...                                     weather_data = weather.data,
...                                     control_data = control.data,
...                                     tz_name = weather.tz_name)
```

Finally, we can collect the measurements from our emulation over a specified time period and display the results as a pandas dataframe. The `collect_measurements()` function updates the measurement dictionary with timeseries data in the 'Measured' field for each variable.

```
>>> # Collect the data
>>> emulation.collect_measurements('1/1/2017', '1/2/2017')
-etc-
>>> # Display the results
>>> emulation.display_measurements('Measured')
                                     Tzone
Time
2017-01-01 06:00:00+00:00    293.150000
2017-01-01 07:00:00+00:00    291.015800
2017-01-01 08:00:00+00:00    291.335967
-etc-
```

2.2.4 Estimate Parameters

Now assume that we do not know the parameters of the model. Or, that we have measurements from a real or emulated system, and would like to estimate parameters of our model to fit the measurements. For this, we use the `models` module from `mpcpy`.

```
>>> from mpcpy import models
```

In this case, we have a Modelica model with two parameters that we would like to train based on the measured data from our system; the resistance and capacitance.

We first need to collect some information about our parameters and do so using a `parameters` exodata object. The parameter information is stored in a CSV file that looks like:

```
Name,Free,Value,Minimum,Maximum,Covariance,Unit
heatCapacitor.C,True,40000,1.00E+04,1.00E+06,1000,J/K
thermalResistor.R,True,0.002,0.001,0.1,0.0001,K/W
```

The name is the name of the parameter in the model. The Free field indicates if the parameter is free to be changed during the estimation method or not. The Value is the current value of the parameter. If the parameter is to be estimated, this would be an initial guess. If the parameter's Free field is set to False, then the value is set to the parameter upon

simulation. The Minimum and Maximum fields set the minimum and maximum value allowed by the parameter during estimation. The Covariance field sets the covariance of the parameter, and is only used for unscented kalman filtering. Finally, the Unit field specifies the unit of the parameter using the name string of MPCPy unit classes.

```
>>> parameters = exodata.ParameterFromCSV('Parameters.csv')
>>> parameters.collect_data()
>>> parameters.display_data()
```

	Covariance	Free	Maximum	Minimum	Unit	Value
Name						
heatCapacitor.C	1000	True	1e+06	10000	J/K	40000
thermalResistor.R	0.0001	True	0.1	0.001	K/W	0.002

Now, we can instantiate the model object by defining the estimation method, validation method, measurement dictionary, model information, parameter data, and exogenous data. In this case, we use JModelica optimization to perform the parameter estimation and will validate the parameter estimation by calculating the root mean square error (RMSE) between measurements from the model and emulation.

```
>>> model = models.Modelica(models.JModelica,
...                          models.RMSE,
...                          emulation.measurements,
...                          moinfo = moinfo,
...                          parameter_data = parameters.data,
...                          weather_data = weather.data,
...                          control_data = control.data,
...                          tz_name = weather.tz_name)
```

Let's simulate the model to see how far off we are with our initial parameter guesses. The `simulate()` function updates the measurement dictionary with timeseries data in the 'Simulated' field for each variable.

```
>>> # Simulate the model
>>> model.simulate('1/1/2017', '1/2/2017')
-etc-
>>> # Display the results
>>> model.display_measurements('Simulated')
```

	Tzone
Time	
2017-01-01 06:00:00+00:00	293.150000
2017-01-01 07:00:00+00:00	266.964432
2017-01-01 08:00:00+00:00	267.440054

```
-etc-
```

Now, we are ready to estimate the parameters to better fit the emulated measurements. In addition to a training period, we must supply a list of measurement variables for which to minimize the error between the simulated and measured data. In this case, we only have one, 'Tzone'. The `estimate()` function updates the Value field for the parameter data in the model.

```
>>> model.estimate('1/1/2017', '1/2/2017', ['Tzone'])
-etc-
```

Let's validate the estimation on the training period. The `validate()` method will simulate the model over the specified time period, calculate the RMSE between the simulated and measured data, and generate a plot in the working directory that shows the simulated and measured data for each measurement variable.

```
>>> # Perform validation
>>> model.validate('1/1/2017', '1/2/2017', 'validate_tra', plot=1)
-etc-
>>> # Get RMSE
```

```
>>> print(model.RMSE['Tzone'].display_data())
0.0555918208623
```

Now let's validate on a different period of exogenous data:

```
>>> # Define validation period
>>> start_time_val = '1/2/2017'
>>> final_time_val = '1/3/2017'
>>> # Collect new measurements
>>> emulation.collect_measurements(start_time_val, final_time_val)
-etc-
>>> # Assign new measurements to model
>>> model.measurements = emulation.measurements
>>> # Perform validation
>>> model.validate(start_time_val, final_time_val, 'validate_val', plot=1)
-etc-
>>> # Get RMSE
>>> print(model.RMSE['Tzone'].display_data())
0.0556106422491
```

Finally, let's view the estimated parameter values:

```
>>> for key in model.parameter_data.keys():
...     print(key, model.parameter_data[key]['Value'].display_data())
('heatCapacitor.C', 121756.56210192)
('thermalResistor.R', 0.0100114401286855)
```

2.2.5 Optimize Control

We are now ready to optimize control of our system heater using our calibrated MPC model. Specifically, we would like to maintain a comfortable temperature in our zone with the minimum amount of heater energy. We can do this by using the optimization module of MPCPy.

```
>>> from mpcpy import optimization
```

First, we need to collect some constraint data to add to our optimization problem. In this case, we will constrain the heating input to between 0 and 4000 W, and the temperature to a comfortable range, between 20 and 25 degC. We collect constraint data from a CSV using a constraint exodata data object. The constraint CSV looks like:

```
Time,Qflow_min,Qflow_max,T_min,T_max
01/01/17 12:00 AM,0,4000,20,25
01/01/17 01:00 AM,0,4000,20,25
01/01/17 02:00 AM,0,4000,20,25
...
01/02/17 10:00 PM,0,4000,20,25
01/02/17 11:00 PM,0,4000,20,25
01/03/17 12:00 AM,0,4000,20,25
```

The constraint exodata object is used to determine which column of data matches with which model variable and whether it is a less-than-or-equal-to (LTE) or greater-than-or-equal-to (GTE) constraint:

```
>>> # Define variable map
>>> variable_map = {'Qflow_min' : ('Qflow', 'GTE', units.W),
...                 'Qflow_max' : ('Qflow', 'LTE', units.W),
...                 'T_min' : ('Tzone', 'GTE', units.degC),
...                 'T_max' : ('Tzone', 'LTE', units.degC)}
```



```

>>> # Instantiate constraint exodata object
>>> constraints = exodata.ConstraintFromCSV('Constraints.csv', variable_map)
>>> # Collect data
>>> constraints.collect_data('1/1/2017', '1/3/2017')
>>> # Get data
>>> constraints.display_data()

```

	Qflow_GTE	Qflow_LTE	Tzone_GTE	Tzone_LTE
Time				
2017-01-01 00:00:00+00:00	0.0	4000.0	20.0	25.0
2017-01-01 01:00:00+00:00	0.0	4000.0	20.0	25.0
2017-01-01 02:00:00+00:00	0.0	4000.0	20.0	25.0
-etc-				

We can now instantiate an optimization object using our calibrated MPC model, selecting an optimization problem type and solver package, and specifying which of the variables in the model to treat as the objective variable. In this case, we choose an energy minimization problem (integral of variable over time horizon) to be solved using JModelica, and Qflow to be the variable we wish to minimize the integral of over the time horizon.

```

>>> opt_problem = optimization.Optimization(model,
...                                     optimization.EnergyMin,
...                                     optimization.JModelica,
...                                     'Qflow',
...                                     constraint_data = constraints.data)

```

The information provided is used to automatically generate a .mop (optimization model file for JModelica) and transfer the optimization problem using JModelica. Using the `optimize()` function optimizes the variables defined in the control data of the model object and updates their timeseries data with the optimal solution for the time period specified. Note that other than the constraints, the exogenous data within the model object is used, and the control interval is assumed to be the same as the measurement sampling rate of the model.

```

>>> opt_problem.optimize('1/2/2017', '1/3/2017')
-etc-

```

We can get the optimization solver statistics in the form of (return message, # of iterations, objective value, solution time in seconds):

```

>>> opt_problem.get_optimization_statistics()
('Solve_Succeeded', 12, -etc-)

```

Finally, we can retrieve the optimal control solution and verify that the constraints were satisfied. The intermediate points are a result of the direct collocation method used by JModelica.

```

>>> opt_problem.Model.control_data['Qflow'].display_data()

```

2017-01-02 06:00:00+00:00	645.563337
2017-01-02 06:09:18.183693+00:00	1501.595902
2017-01-02 06:38:41.816307+00:00	2603.388448
2017-01-02 07:00:00+00:00	1879.949971
-etc-	

```

>>> opt_problem.Model.display_measurements('Simulated')

```

	Tzone
Time	
2017-01-02 06:00:00+00:00	298.15
2017-01-02 06:09:18.183693+00:00	293.15
2017-01-02 06:38:41.816307+00:00	293.15
2017-01-02 07:00:00+00:00	293.15
-etc-	

2.3 Run Unit Tests

The script `bin/runUnitTests.py` runs the unit tests of MPCPy. By default, all of the unit tests are run. An optional argument `-s [module.class]` will run only the specified unit tests module or class.

To run all unit tests from command-line, use the command:

```
> python bin/runUnitTests
```

To run only unit tests in the module `test_models` from command-line, use the command:

```
> python bin/runUnitTests -s test_models
```

To run only unit tests in the class `SimpleRC` from the module `test_models` from the command-line, use the command:

```
> python bin/runUnitTests -s test_models.SimpleRC
```

VARIABLES AND UNITS

`variables` classes together with `units` classes form the fundamental building blocks of data management in MPCPy. They provide functionality for assigning and converting between units as well as processing timeseries data.

Generally speaking, variables in MPCPy contain three components:

`name`

A descriptor of the variable.

`data`

Single value or a timeseries.

`unit`

Assigned to variables and act on the data depending on the requested functionality, such as converting between units or extracting the data.

A unit assigned to a variable is called the display unit and is associated with a quantity. For each quantity, there is a predefined base unit. The data entered into a variable with a display unit is automatically converted to and stored as the quantity base unit. This way, if the display unit were to be changed, the data only needs to be converted to the new unit upon extraction. For example, the unit Degrees Celsius is of the quantity temperature, for which the base unit is Kelvin. Therefore, data entered with a display unit of Degrees Celsius would be converted to and stored in Kelvin. If the display unit were to be changed to Degrees Fahrenheit, then the data would be converted from Kelvin upon extraction.

3.1 Classes

class `mpcpy.variables.Static` (*name, data, display_unit*)

Variable class with data that is not a timeseries.

Parameters `name` : string

Name of variable.

data : float, int, bool, list, `numpy` array

Data of variable

display_unit : `mpcpy.units.unit`

Unit of variable data being set.

Attributes

name	(string) Name of variable.
data	(float, int, bool, list, numpy array) Data of variable
display_unit	(mpcpy.units.unit) Unit of variable data when returned with <code>display_data()</code> .
quantity_name	(string) Quantity type of the variable (e.g. Temperature, Power, etc.).
variability	(string) Static.

display_data (***kwargs*)

Return the data of the variable in display units.

Parameters **geography** : list, optional

Latitude [0] and longitude [1] in degrees. Will return timeseries index in specified timezone.

tz_name : string, optional

Time zone name according to `tzwhere` package. Will return timeseries index in specified timezone.

Returns **data** : data object

Data object of the variable in display units.

get_base_data ()

Return the data of the variable in base units.

Returns **data** : data object

Data object of the variable in base units.

get_base_unit ()

Returns the base unit of the variable.

Returns **base_unit** : mpcpy.units.unit

Base unit of variable.

get_base_unit_name ()

Returns the base unit name of the variable.

Returns **base_unit_name** : string

Base unit name of variable.

get_display_unit ()

Returns the display unit of the variable.

Returns **display_unit** : mpcpy.units.unit

Display unit of variable.

get_display_unit_name ()

Returns the display unit name of the variable.

Returns **display_unit_name** : string

Display unit name of variable.

set_data (*data*)

Set data of Static variable.

Parameters **data** : float, int, bool, list, numpy array

Data to be set for variable.

Yields data : float, int, bool, list, numpy array

Data attribute.

set_display_unit (*display_unit*)

Set the display unit of the variable.

Parameters display_unit : mpcpy.units.unit

Display unit to set.

class mpcpy.variables.**Timeseries** (*name, timeseries, display_unit, tz_name='UTC', **kwargs*)

Variable class with data that is a timeseries.

Parameters name : string

Name of variable.

timeseries : pandas Series

Timeseries data of variable. Must have an index of timestamps.

display_unit : mpcpy.units.unit

Unit of variable data being set.

tz_name : string

Timezone name according to tzwhere.

geography : list, optional

List specifying [latitude, longitude] in degrees.

cleaning_type : dict, optional

Dictionary specifying {'cleaning_type' : mpcpy.variables.Timeseries.cleaning_type, 'cleaning_args' : cleaning_args}.

Attributes

name	(string) Name of variable.
data	(float, int, bool, list, numpy array) Data of variable
display_unit	(mpcpy.units.unit) Unit of variable data when returned with <code>display_data()</code> .
quantity_name	(string) Quantity type of the variable (e.g. Temperature, Power, etc.).
variability	(string) Timeseries.

cleaning_replace (*(to_replace, replace_with)*)

Cleaning method to replace values within timeseries.

Parameters to_replace

Value to replace.

replace_with

Replacement value.

Returns timeseries

Timeseries with data replaced according to `to_replace` and `replace_with`.

display_data (***kwargs*)

Return the data of the variable in display units.

Parameters **geography** : list, optional

Latitude [0] and longitude [1] in degrees. Will return timeseries index in specified timezone.

tz_name : string, optional

Time zone name according to `tzwhere` package. Will return timeseries index in specified timezone.

Returns **data** : data object

Data object of the variable in display units.

get_base_data ()

Return the data of the variable in base units.

Returns **data** : data object

Data object of the variable in base units.

get_base_unit ()

Returns the base unit of the variable.

Returns **base_unit** : `mpcpy.units.unit`

Base unit of variable.

get_base_unit_name ()

Returns the base unit name of the variable.

Returns **base_unit_name** : string

Base unit name of variable.

get_display_unit ()

Returns the display unit of the variable.

Returns **display_unit** : `mpcpy.units.unit`

Display unit of variable.

get_display_unit_name ()

Returns the display unit name of the variable.

Returns **display_unit_name** : string

Display unit name of variable.

set_data (*timeseries*, *tz_name='UTC'*, ***kwargs*)

Set data of Timeseries variable.

Parameters **data** : pandas Series

Timeseries data of variable. Must have an index of timestamps.

tz_name : string

Timezone name according to `tzwhere`.

geography : list, optional

List specifying [latitude, longitude] in degrees.

cleaning_type : dict, optional

Dictionary specifying {'cleaning_type' : mpcpy.variables.Timeseries.cleaning_type,
'cleaning_args' : cleaning_args}.

Yields data : pandas Series

Data attribute.

set_display_unit (*display_unit*)

Set the display unit of the variable.

Parameters display_unit : mpcpy.units.unit

Display unit to set.

EXODATA

`exodata` classes are responsible for the representation of exogenous data, with methods to collect this data from various sources and process it for use within MPCPy. This data comes from sources outside of MPCPy and are not measurements of the system of interest. The data is split into categories, or types, in order to standardize the organization of variables within the data for a particular type, in the form of a python dictionary, and to allow for any specific data processing that may be required. This allows exogenous data objects to be used throughout MPCPy regardless of their data source. To add a data source, one only need to create a class that can convert the data format in the source to that standardized in MPCPy.

4.1 Weather

Weather data represents the conditions of the ambient environment. Weather data objects have special methods for checking the validity of data and use supplied data to calculate data not directly measured, for example black sky temperature, wet bulb temperature, and sun position. Exogenous weather data has the following organization:

```
weather.data = {"Weather Variable Name" : mpcpy.Variables.Timeseries}
```

The weather variable names should match those input variables in the model and be chosen from the list found in the following list:

- `weaPAtm` - atmospheric pressure
- `weaTDewPoi` - dew point temperature
- `weaTDryBul` - dry bulb temperature
- `weaRelHum` - relative humidity
- `weaNopa` - opaque sky cover
- `weaCelHei` - cloud height
- `weaNTot` - total sky cover
- `weaWinSpe` - wind speed
- `weaWinDir` - wind direction
- `weaHHorIR` - horizontal infrared irradiation
- `weaHDirNor` - direct normal irradiation
- `weaHGloHor` - global horizontal irradiation
- `weaHDifHor` - diffuse horizontal irradiation
- `weaIAveHor` - global horizontal illuminance
- `weaIDirNor` - direct normal illuminance

- wealDifHor - diffuse horizontal illuminance
- weaZLum - zenith luminance
- weaTBlaSky - black sky temperature
- weaTWetBul - wet bulb temperature
- weaSolZen - solar zenith angle
- weaCloTim - clock time
- weaSolTim - solar time
- weaTGnd - ground temperature

Ground temperature is an exception to the data dictionary format due to the possibility of different temperatures at multiple depths. Therefore, the dictionary format for ground temperature is:

```
weather.data["weaTGnd"] = {"Depth" : mpcpy.Variables.Timeseries}
```

4.1.1 Classes

class mpcpy.exodata.**WeatherFromEPW**(*epw_file_path*)
Collects weather data from an EPW file.

Parameters *epw_file_path* : string

Path of epw file.

Attributes

data	(dictionary) {"Weather Variable Name" : mpcpy.Variables.Timeseries}.
lat	(numeric) Latitude in degrees.
lon	(numeric) Longitude in degrees.
tz_name	(string) Timezone name.
file_path	(string) Path of epw file.

collect_data(*start_time*, *final_time*)
Collect data from specified source and update data attribute.

Parameters *start_time* : string

Start time of data collection.

final_time : string

Final time of data collection.

Yields *data* : dictionary

Data attribute.

display_data()
Get data in display units as pandas dataframe.

Returns *df* : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in display units.

get_base_data()

Get data in base units as pandas dataframe.

Returns df: pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in base units.

class mpcpy.exodata.WeatherFromCSV(*csv_file_path*, *variable_map*, ***kwargs*)

Collects weather data from a csv file.

Parameters csv_file_path: string

Path of csv file.

variable_map: dictionary

{“Column Header Name”: (“Weather Variable Name”, mpcpy.Units.unit)}.

Attributes

data	(dictionary) {“Weather Variable Name”: mpcpy.Variables.Timeseries}.
lat	(numeric) Latitude in degrees.
lon	(numeric) Longitude in degrees.
tz_name	(string) Timezone name.
file_path	(string) Path of csv file.

collect_data(*start_time*, *final_time*)

Collect data from specified source and update data attribute.

Parameters start_time: string

Start time of data collection.

final_time: string

Final time of data collection.

Yields data: dictionary

Data attribute.

display_data()

Get data in display units as pandas dataframe.

Returns df: pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in display units.

get_base_data()

Get data in base units as pandas dataframe.

Returns df: pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in base units.

4.2 Internal

Internal data represents zone heat gains that may come from people, lights, or equipment. Internal data objects have special methods for sourcing these heat gains from a predicted occupancy model. Exogenous internal data has the following organization:

```
internal.data = {"Zone Name" : {"Internal Variable Name" : mpcpy.Variables.
Timeseries}}
```

The internal variable names should be chosen from the following list:

- intCon - convective internal load
- intRad - radiative internal load
- intLat - latent internal load

The input names in the model should follow the convention `internalVariableName_zoneName`. For example, the convective load input for the zone “west” should have the name `intCon_west`.

4.2.1 Classes

class `mpcpy.exodata.InternalFromCSV` (*csv_file_path*, *variable_map*, ****kwargs**)

Collects internal data from a csv file.

Parameters `csv_file_path` : string

Path of csv file.

variable_map : dictionary

{“Column Header Name” : (“Zone Name”, “Internal Variable Name”,
mpcpy.Units.unit)}.

Attributes

data	(dictionary) {“Zone Name” : {“Internal Variable Name” : mpcpy.Variables.Timeseries}}.
lat	(numeric) Latitude in degrees. For timezone.
lon	(numeric) Longitude in degrees. For timezone.
tz_name	(string) Timezone name.
file_path	(string) Path of csv file.

collect_data (*start_time*, *final_time*)

Collect data from specified source and update data attribute.

Parameters `start_time` : string

Start time of data collection.

final_time : string

Final time of data collection.

Yields `data` : dictionary

Data attribute.

display_data ()

Get data in display units as pandas dataframe.

Returns `df` : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in display units.

get_base_data ()

Get data in base units as pandas dataframe.

Returns df : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in base units.

class mpcpy.exodata.**InternalFromOccupancyModel** (*zone_list, load_list, unit, occupancy_model_list, **kwargs*)

Collects internal data from an occupancy model.

Parameters zone_list : [string]

List of zones.

load_list : [[numeric, numeric, numeric]]

List of load per person lists for [convective, radiative, latent] corresponding to zone_list.

unit : mpcpy.Units.unit

Unit of loads.

occupancy_model_list : [mpcpy.Models.Occupancy]

List of occupancy model objects corresponding to zone_list.

Attributes

data	(dictionary) {“Zone Name” : {“Internal Variable Name” : mpcpy.Variables.Timeseries}}.
lat	(numeric) Latitude in degrees. For timezone.
lon	(numeric) Longitude in degrees. For timezone.
tz_name	(string) Timezone name.

collect_data (*start_time, final_time*)

Collect data from specified source and update data attribute.

Parameters start_time : string

Start time of data collection.

final_time : string

Final time of data collection.

Yields data : dictionary

Data attribute.

display_data ()

Get data in display units as pandas dataframe.

Returns df : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in display units.

get_base_data ()

Get data in base units as pandas dataframe.

Returns df : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in base units.

4.3 Control

Control data represents control inputs to a system or model. The variables listed in a Control data object are special in that they are considered optimization variables during model optimization. Exogenous control data has the following organization:

```
control.data = {"Control Variable Name" : mpcpy.Variables.Timeseries}
```

The control variable names should match the control input variables of the model.

4.3.1 Classes

class `mpcpy.exodata.ControlFromCSV` (*csv_file_path*, *variable_map*, ***kwargs*)

Collects control data from a csv file.

Parameters *csv_file_path* : string

Path of csv file.

variable_map : dictionary

{“Column Header Name” : (“Control Variable Name”, `mpcpy.Units.unit`)}.

Attributes

data	(dictionary) {“Control Variable Name” : <code>mpcpy.Variables.Timeseries</code> }.
lat	(numeric) Latitude in degrees. For timezone.
lon	(numeric) Longitude in degrees. For timezone.
tz_name	(string) Timezone name.
file_path	(string) Path of csv file.

collect_data (*start_time*, *final_time*)

Collect data from specified source and update data attribute.

Parameters *start_time* : string

Start time of data collection.

final_time : string

Final time of data collection.

Yields *data* : dictionary

Data attribute.

display_data ()

Get data in display units as pandas dataframe.

Returns *df* : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in display units.

get_base_data ()

Get data in base units as pandas dataframe.

Returns *df* : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in base units.

4.4 Other Input

Other Input data represents miscellaneous inputs to a model. The variables listed in an Other Inputs data object are not acted upon in any special way. Other input data has the following organization:

```
other_input.data = {"Other Input Variable Name" : mpcpy.Variables.Timeseries}
```

The other input variable names should match those of the model.

4.4.1 Classes

class `mpcpy.exodata.OtherInputFromCSV` (*csv_file_path*, *variable_map*, ***kwargs*)

Collects other input data from a CSV file.

Parameters *csv_file_path* : string

Path of csv file.

variable_map : dictionary

{“Column Header Name” : (“Other Input Variable Name”, `mpcpy.Units.unit`)}.

Attributes

data	(dictionary) {“Other Input Variable Name” : <code>mpcpy.Variables.Timeseries</code> }.
lat	(numeric) Latitude in degrees. For timezone.
lon	(numeric) Longitude in degrees. For timezone.
tz_name	(string) Timezone name.
file_path	(string) Path of csv file.

collect_data (*start_time*, *final_time*)

Collect data from specified source and update data attribute.

Parameters *start_time* : string

Start time of data collection.

final_time : string

Final time of data collection.

Yields *data* : dictionary

Data attribute.

display_data ()

Get data in display units as pandas dataframe.

Returns *df* : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in display units.

get_base_data ()

Get data in base units as pandas dataframe.

Returns *df* : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in base units.

4.5 Price

Price data represents price signals from utility or district energy systems for things such as energy consumption, demand, or other services. Price data object variables are special because they are used for optimization objective functions involving price signals. Exogenous price data has the following organization:

```
price.data = {"Price Variable Name" : mpcpy.Variables.Timeseries}
```

The price variable names should be chosen from the following list:

- `pi_e` - electrical energy price

4.5.1 Classes

class `mpcpy.exodata.PriceFromCSV` (*csv_file_path*, *variable_map*, ***kwargs*)

Collects price data from a csv file.

Parameters `csv_file_path` : string

Path of csv file.

variable_map : dictionary

{“Column Header Name” : (“Price Variable Name”, `mpcpy.Units.unit`)}.

Attributes

data	(dictionary) {“Price Variable Name” : <code>mpcpy.Variables.Timeseries</code> }.
lat	(numeric) Latitude in degrees. For timezone.
lon	(numeric) Longitude in degrees. For timezone.
tz_name	(string) Timezone name.
file_path	(string) Path of csv file.

collect_data (*start_time*, *final_time*)

Collect data from specified source and update data attribute.

Parameters `start_time` : string

Start time of data collection.

final_time : string

Final time of data collection.

Yields `data` : dictionary

Data attribute.

display_data ()

Get data in display units as pandas dataframe.

Returns `df` : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in display units.

get_base_data ()

Get data in base units as pandas dataframe.

Returns `df` : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in base units.

4.6 Constraints

Constraint data represents limits to which the control and state variables of an optimization solution must abide. Constraint data object variables are included in the optimization problem formulation. Exogenous constraint data has the following organization:

```
constraints.data = {"State or Control Variable Name" : {"Constraint Variable
Type" : mpcpy.Variables.Timeseries/Static}}
```

The state or control variable name must match those that are in the model. The constraint variable types should be chosen from the following list:

- LTE - less than or equal to (Timeseries)
- GTE - greater than or equal to (Timeseries)
- E - equal to (Timeseries)
- Initial - initial value (Static)
- Final - final value (Static)
- Cyclic - initial value equals final value (Static - Boolean)

4.6.1 Classes

class mpcpy.exodata.**ConstraintFromCSV** (*csv_file_path*, *variable_map*, ***kwargs*)

Collects constraint data from a csv file.

Parameters *csv_file_path* : string

Path of csv file.

variable_map : dictionary

{“State or Control Variable Name” : {“Constraint Variable Name” :
mpcpy.Variables.Timeseries/Static}}.

Attributes

data	(dictionary) {“Column Header Name” : (“State or Control Variable Name”, “Constraint Variable Type”, mpcpy.Units.unit)}.
lat	(numeric) Latitude in degrees. For timezone.
lon	(numeric) Longitude in degrees. For timezone.
tz_name	(string) Timezone name.
file_path	(string) Path of csv file.

collect_data (*start_time*, *final_time*)

Collect data from specified source and update data attribute.

Parameters *start_time* : string

Start time of data collection.

final_time : string

Final time of data collection.

Yields data : dictionary

Data attribute.

display_data()

Get data in display units as pandas dataframe.

Returns df : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in display units.

get_base_data()

Get data in base units as pandas dataframe.

Returns df : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in base units.

```
class mpcpy.exodata.ConstraintFromOccupancyModel(state_variable_list, values_list,  
                                                constraint_type_list, unit_list, occupancy_model, **kwargs)
```

Collects constraint data from an occupancy model.

Parameters state_variable_list : [string]

List of variable names to be constrained. States with multiple constraints should be listed once for each constraint type.

values_list : [[numeric or boolean, numeric or boolean]]

List of values for [Occupied, Unoccupied] corresponding to state_variable_list.

constraint_type_list : [string]

List of constraint variable types corresponding to state_variable_list.

unit_list : [mpcpy.Units.unit]

List of units corresponding to each constraint type in constraint_type_list.

occupancy_model : mpcpy.Models.Occupancy

Occupancy model object to use.

Attributes

data	(dictionary) {"State or Control Variable Name" : {"Constraint Variable Type" : mpcpy.Variables.Timeseries/Static}}.
lat	(numeric) Latitude in degrees. For timezone.
lon	(numeric) Longitude in degrees. For timezone.
tz_name	(string) Timezone name.

collect_data (*start_time*, *final_time*)

Collect data from specified source and update data attribute.

Parameters start_time : string

Start time of data collection.

final_time : string

Final time of data collection.

Yields data : dictionary

Data attribute.

display_data()

Get data in display units as pandas dataframe.

Returns df : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in display units.

get_base_data()

Get data in base units as pandas dataframe.

Returns df : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in base units.

4.7 Parameters

Parameter data represents inputs or coefficients of models that do not change with time during a simulation, which may need to be learned using system measurement data. Parameter data object variables are set when simulating models, and are estimated using model learning techniques if flagged to do so. Exogenous parameter data has the following organization:

```
{"Parameter Name": {"Parameter Key Name": mpcpy.Variables.Static}}
```

The parameter name must match that which is in the model. The parameter key names should be chosen from the following list:

- Free - boolean flag for inclusion in model learning algorithms
- Value - value of the parameter, which is also used as an initial guess for model learning algorithms
- Minimum - minimum value of the parameter for model learning algorithms
- Maximum - maximum value of the parameter for model learning algorithms
- Covariance - covariance of the parameter for model learning algorithms

4.7.1 Classes

class mpcpy.exodata.**ParameterFromCSV**(*csv_file_path*)

Collects parameter data from a csv file.

The csv file rows must be named as the parameter names and the columns must be named as the parameter key names.

Parameters *csv_file_path* : string

Path of csv file.

Attributes

data	(dictionary) {"Parameter Name": {"Parameter Key Name": mpcpy.Variables.Static}}.
file_path	(string) Path of csv file.

collect_data()

Collect parameter data from csv file into data dictionary.

Yields data : dictionary

Data attribute.

display_data()

Get data as pandas dataframe in display units.

Returns df : pandas dataframe

Dataframe in display units.

get_base_data()

Get data as pandas dataframe in base units.

Returns df : pandas dataframe

Dataframe in base units.

SYSTEMS

`systems` classes represent the controlled systems, with methods to collect measurements from or set control inputs to the system. This representation can be real or emulated using a detailed simulation model. A common interface to the controlled system in both cases allows for algorithm development and testing on a simulation with easy transition to the real system. Measurement data can then be passed to `models` objects to estimate or validate model parameters. Measurement data has a specified variable organization in the form of a Python dictionary in order to aid its use by other objects. It is as follows: `system.measurements = {"Measurement Variable Name" : {"Measurement Key" : mpcpy.Variables.Timeseries/Static}}`.

The measurement variable name should match the variable that is measured in a model in the emulation case, or match the point name that is measured in a real system case. The measurement keys are from the following list:

- Simulated - timeseries variable for simulated measurement (yielded by `models` objects)
- Measured - timeseries variable for real measurement (yielded by `systems` objects)
- Sample - static variable for measurement sample rate
- SimulatedError - timeseries variable for simulated standard error
- MeasuredError - timeseries variable for measured standard error

5.1 Emulation

Emulation objects are used to simulate the performance of a real system and collect the results of the simulation as measurements. Models used for such simulations are often detailed physical models and are not necessarily the same as a model used for optimization. A model for this purpose should be instantiated as a `models` object instead of a `systems` object.

5.1.1 Classes

class `mpcpy.systems.EmulationFromFMU` (*measurements*, ***kwargs*)
System emulation by FMU simulation.

Parameters `measurements` : dictionary

 {"Measurement Name" : {"Sample" : `mpcpy.Variables.Static`}}.

fmupath : string, required if not `moinfo`

 FMU file path.

moinfo : tuple or list, required if not `fmupath`

(*mopath*, *modelpath*, *libraries*). *mopath* is the path to the modelica file. *modelpath* is the path to the model to be compiled within the package specified in the modelica file. *libraries* is a list of paths directing to extra libraries required to compile the fmu.

zone_names : list, optional

List of zone name strings.

weather_data : dictionary, optional

exodata weather object data attribute.

internal_data : dictionary, optional

exodata internal object data attribute.

control_data : dictionary, optional

exodata control object data attribute.

other_inputs : dictionary, optional

exodata other inputs object data attribute.

parameter_data : dictionary, optional

exodata parameter object data attribute.

tz_name : string, optional

Name of timezone according to the package tzwhere. If 'from_geography', then geography kwarg is required.

geography : list or tuple, optional

List or tuple with (latitude, longitude) in degrees.

Attributes

measurements	(dictionary) {“Measurement Name” : {“Measurement <i>Key</i> ” : mpcpy.Variables.Timeseries/Static}}.
fmu	(pyfmi fmu object) FMU representing the emulated system.
fmupath	(string) Path to the FMU file.
lat	(numeric) Latitude in degrees. For timezone.
lon	(numeric) Longitude in degrees. For timezone.

collect_measurements (*start_time*, *final_time*)

Collect measurement data for the emulated system by simulation using any given exodata inputs.

Parameters **start_time** : string

Start time of measurements collection.

final_time : string

Final time of measurements collection.

Yields Updates the 'Measured' key for each measured variable in the measurements dictionary attribute.

display_measurements (*measurement_key*)

Get measurements data in display units as pandas dataframe.

Parameters `measurement_key` : string

The measurement dictionary key for which to get the data for all of the variables.

Returns `df` : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in display units containing data for all measurement variables.

get_base_measurements (*measurement_key*)

Get measurements data in base units as pandas dataframe.

Parameters `measurement_key` : string

The measurement dictionary key for which to get the data for all of the variables.

Returns `df` : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in base units containing data for all measurement variables.

5.2 Real

Real objects are used to find and collect measurements from a real system.

5.2.1 Classes

class `mpcpy.systems.RealFromCSV` (*csv_file_path*, *measurements*, *variable_map*, ***kwargs*)

System measured data located in csv.

Parameters `csv_file_path` : string

Path of csv file.

measurements : dictionary

{“Measurement Name” : {“Sample” : mpcpy.Variables.Static}}.

variable_map : dictionary

{“Column Header Name” : (“Measurement Variable Name”, mpcpy.Units.unit)}.

tz_name : string, optional

Name of timezone according to the package `tzwhere`. If `'from_geography'`, then `geography` kwarg is required.

geography : list or tuple, optional

List or tuple with (latitude, longitude) in degrees.

Attributes

measurements	(dictionary) {“Measurement Variable Name” : {“Measurement <i>Key</i> ” : mpcpy.Variables.Timeseries/Static}}.
file_path	(string) Path of csv file.
lat	(numeric) Latitude in degrees. For timezone.
lon	(numeric) Longitude in degrees. For timezone.

collect_measurements (*start_time, final_time*)

Collect measurement data for the real system.

Parameters **start_time** : string

Start time of measurements collection.

final_time : string

Final time of measurements collection.

Yields Updates the 'Measured' key for each measured variable in the measurements dictionary attribute.

display_measurements (*measurement_key*)

Get measurements data in display units as pandas dataframe.

Parameters **measurement_key** : string

The measurement dictionary key for which to get the data for all of the variables.

Returns **df** : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in display units containing data for all measurement variables.

get_base_measurements (*measurement_key*)

Get measurements data in base units as pandas dataframe.

Parameters **measurement_key** : string

The measurement dictionary key for which to get the data for all of the variables.

Returns **df** : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in base units containing data for all measurement variables.

MODELS

`models` classes are models that are used for performance prediction in MPC. This includes models for physical systems (e.g. thermal envelopes, HVAC equipment, facade elements) and occupants at the component level or at an aggregated level (e.g. zone, building, campus).

6.1 Modelica

`Modelica` model objects utilize models represented in Modelica or by an FMU.

6.1.1 Classes

class `mpcpy.models.Modelica` (*estimate_method*, *validate_method*, *measurements*, ***kwargs*)

Class for models of physical systems represented by Modelica or an FMU.

Parameters **estimate_method** : estimation method class from `mpcpy.models`

Method for performing the parameter estimation.

validate_method : validation method class from `mpcpy.models`

Method for performing the parameter validation.

measurements : dictionary

Measurement variables for the model. Same as the `measurements` attribute from a `systems` class. See documentation for `systems` for more information.

moinfo : tuple or list

Modelica information for the model. See documentation for `systems.EmulationFromFMU` for more information.

zone_names : list, optional

List of zone name strings.

weather_data : dictionary, optional

`exodata` weather object data attribute.

internal_data : dictionary, optional

`exodata` internal object data attribute.

control_data : dictionary, optional

`exodata` control object data attribute.

other_inputs : dictionary, optional

exodata other inputs object data attribute.

parameter_data : dictionary, optional

exodata parameter object data attribute.

tz_name : string, optional

Name of timezone according to the package tzwhere. If 'from_geography', then geography kwarg is required.

geography : list or tuple, optional

List or tuple with (latitude, longitude) in degrees.

Attributes

measurements	(dictionary) systems measurement object attribute.
fm	(pyfmi fm object) FMU representing the emulated system.
fmupath	(string) Path to the FMU file.
lat	(numeric) Latitude in degrees. For timezone.
lon	(numeric) Longitude in degrees. For timezone.
tz_name	(string) Timezone name.

display_measurements (*measurement_key*)

Get measurements data in display units as pandas dataframe.

Parameters **measurement_key** : string

The measurement dictionary key for which to get the data for all of the variables.

Returns **df** : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in display units containing data for all measurement variables.

estimate (*start_time, final_time, measurement_variable_list*)

Estimate the parameters of the model.

The estimation of the parameters is based on the data in the 'Measured' key in the measurements dictionary attribute, the parameter_data dictionary attribute, and any exodata inputs.

Parameters **start_time** : string

Start time of estimation period.

final_time : string

Final time of estimation period.

measurement_variable_list : list

List of strings defining for which variables defined in the measurements dictionary attribute the estimation will try to minimize the error.

Yields Updates the 'Value' key for each estimated parameter in the parameter_data attribute.

get_base_measurements (*measurement_key*)

Get measurements data in base units as pandas dataframe.

Parameters `measurement_key` : string

The measurement dictionary key for which to get the data for all of the variables.

Returns `df` : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in base units containing data for all measurement variables.

set_estimate_method (*estimate_method*)

Set the estimation method for the model.

Parameters `estimate_method` : estimation method class from `mpcpy.models`

Method for performing the parameter estimation.

set_validate_method (*validate_method*)

Set the validation method for the model.

Parameters `validate_method` : validation method class from `mpcpy.models`

Method for performing the parameter validation.

simulate (*start_time*, *final_time*)

Simulate the model with current parameter estimates and any exodata inputs.

Parameters `start_time` : string

Start time of simulation period.

final_time : string

Final time of simulation period.

Yields Updates the 'Simulated' key for each measurement in the measurements attribute.

validate (*start_time*, *final_time*, *validate_filename*, *plot=1*)

Validate the estimated parameters of the model.

The validation of the parameters is based on the data in the 'Measured' key in the measurements dictionary attribute, the parameter_data dictionary attribute, and any exodata inputs.

Parameters `start_time` : string

Start time of validation period.

final_time : string

Final time of validation period.

validate_filepath : string

File path without an extension for which to save validation results. Extensions will be added depending on the file type (e.g. .png for figures, .txt for data).

plot : [0,1], optional

Plot flag for some validation or estimation methods. Default = 1.

Yields Various results depending on the validation method. Please check the documentation for the validation method chosen.

6.1.2 Estimate Methods

class `mpcpy.models.JModelica` (*Model*)
Estimation method using JModelica optimization.

This estimation method sets up a parameter estimation problem to be solved using `JModelica`.

class `mpcpy.models.UKF` (*Model*)
Estimation method using the Unscented Kalman Filter.

This estimation method uses the UKF implementation `EstimationPy-KA`, which is a fork of `EstimationPy` that allows for parameter estimation without any state estimation.

6.1.3 Validate Methods

class `mpcpy.models.RMSE` (*Model*)
Validation method that computes the RMSE between estimated and measured data.

Yields `RMSE` : dictionary

{“Measurement Name” : `mpcpy.Variables.Static`}. Attribute of the model object that contains the RMSE for each measurement variable used to perform the validation in base units.

6.2 Occupancy

Occupancy models consider when occupants arrive and depart a space or building as well as how many occupants are present at a particular time.

6.2.1 Classes

class `mpcpy.models.Occupancy` (*occupancy_method*, *measurements*, ***kwargs*)
Class for models of occupancy.

Parameters `occupancy_method` : occupancy method class from `mpcpy.models`

`measurements` : dictionary

Measurement variables for the model. Same as the `measurements` attribute from a `systems` class. See documentation for `systems` for more information. This measurement dictionary should only have one variable key, which represents occupancy count.

`tz_name` : string, optional

Name of timezone according to the package `tzwhere`. If `'from_geography'`, then `geography` kwarg is required.

`geography` : list or tuple, optional

List or tuple with (latitude, longitude) in degrees.

Attributes

measurements	(dictionary) <code>systems</code> measurement object attribute.
parameter_data	(dictionary) <code>exodata</code> parameter object data attribute.
lat	(numeric) Latitude in degrees. For timezone.
lon	(numeric) Longitude in degrees. For timezone.
tz_name	(string) Timezone name.

display_measurements (*measurement_key*)

Get measurements data in display units as pandas dataframe.

Parameters `measurement_key` : string

The measurement dictionary key for which to get the data for all of the variables.

Returns `df` : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in display units containing data for all measurement variables.

estimate (*start_time*, *final_time*, ***kwargs*)

Estimate the parameters of the model using measurement data.

The estimation of the parameters is based on the data in the 'Measured' key in the measurements dictionary attribute of the model object.

Parameters `start_time` : string

Start time of estimation period.

final_time : string

Final time of estimation period.

estimate_options : dictionary, optional

Use the `get_estimate_options` method to obtain and edit.

Yields `parameter_data` : dictionary

Updates the 'Value' key for each estimated parameter in the `parameter_data` attribute.

get_base_measurements (*measurement_key*)

Get measurements data in base units as pandas dataframe.

Parameters `measurement_key` : string

The measurement dictionary key for which to get the data for all of the variables.

Returns `df` : pandas dataframe

Timeseries dataframe in base units containing data for all measurement variables.

get_constraint (*occupied_value*, *unoccupied_value*)

Get a constraint timeseries based on the predicted occupancy.

Parameters `occupied_value` : `mpcpy.variables.Static`

Value of constraint during occupied times.

unoccupied_value : `mpcpy.variables.Static`

Value of constraint during unoccupied times.

Returns `constraint` : `mpcpy.variables.Timeseries`

Constraint timeseries.

get_estimate_options ()

Set the estimation options for the model.

Returns **estimate_options** : dictionary

Options for estimation of occupancy model parameters. Please see documentation for specific occupancy model for more information.

get_load (*load_per_person*)

Get a load timeseries based on the predicted occupancy.

Parameters **load_per_person** : mpcpy.variables.Static

Scaling factor of occupancy prediction to produce load timeseries.

Returns **load** : mpcpy.variables.Timeseries

Load timeseries.

get_simulate_options ()

Get the simulation options for the model.

Returns **simulate_options** : dictionary

Options for simulation of occupancy model. Please see documentation for specific occupancy model for more information.

set_estimate_options (*estimate_options*)

Set the estimation options for the model.

Parameters **estimate_options** : dictionary

Options for estimation of occupancy model parameters. Please see documentation for specific occupancy model for more information.

set_occupancy_method (*occupancy_method*)

Set the occupancy method for the model.

Parameters **occupancy_method** : occupancy method class from mpcpy.models

set_simulate_options (*simulate_options*)

Set the simulation options for the model.

Parameters **simulate_options** : dictionary

Options for simulation of occupancy model. Please see documentation for specific occupancy model for more information.

simulate (*start_time*, *final_time*, ***kwargs*)

Simulate the model with current parameter estimates.

Parameters **start_time** : string

Start time of simulation period.

final_time : string

Final time of simulation period.

simulate_options : dictionary, optional

Use the `get_simulate_options` method to obtain and edit.

Yields **measurements** : dictionary

Updates the 'Simulated' key for each measurement in the measurements attribute.
If available by the occupancy method, also updates the 'SimulatedError' key for each measurement in the measurements attribute.

validate (*start_time, final_time, validate_filename, plot=1*)

Validate the estimated parameters of the model with measurement data.

The validation of the parameters is based on the data in the 'Measured' key in the measurements dictionary attribute of the model object.

Parameters **start_time** : string

Start time of validation period.

final_time : string

Final time of validation period.

validate_filepath : string

File path without an extension for which to save validation results. Extensions will be added depending on the file type (e.g. .png for figures, .txt for data).

plot : [0,1], optional

Plot flag for some validation or estimation methods.

Yields Various results depending on the validation method. Please check the documentation for the occupancy model chosen.

6.2.2 Occupancy Methods

class `mpcpy.models.QueueModel`

Occupancy presence prediction based on a queueing approach.

Based on Jia, R. and C. Spanos (2017). "Occupancy modelling in shared spaces of buildings: a queueing approach." Journal of Building Performance Simulation, 10(4), 406-421.

See `occupant.occupancy.queueing` for more information.

Attributes

estimate_options	(dictionary) Specifies options for model estimation with the following keys: -res : defines the resolution of grid search for the optimal breakpoint placement -margin : specifies the minimum distance between two adjacent breakpoints -n_max : defines the upper limit of the number of breakpoints returned by the algorithm
simulate_options	(dictionary) Specifies options for model simulation. -iter_num : defines the number of iterations for monte-carlo simulation.

OPTIMIZATION

`Optimization` objects setup and solve mpc control optimization problems. The optimization uses `models` objects to setup and solve the specified optimization problem type with the specified optimization package type. Constraint information can be added to the optimization problem through the use of the constraint `exodata` object. Please see the `exodata` documentation for more information.

7.1 Classes

class `mpcpy.optimization.Optimization` (*Model*, *problem_type*, *package_type*, *objective_variable*, ***kwargs*)

Class for representing an optimization problem.

Parameters **Model** : `mpcpy.model` object

Model with which to perform the optimization.

problem_type : `mpcpy.optimization.problem_type`

The type of optimization problem to solve. See specific documentation on available problem types.

package_type : `mpcpy.optimization.package_type`

The software package used to solve the optimization problem. The model is translated into an optimization problem according to the `problem_type` to be solved in the specified `package_type`. See specific documentation on available package types.

objective_variable : string

The name of the model variable to be used in the objective function.

constraint_data : dictionary, optional

`exodata` constraint object data attribute.

Attributes

Model	(<code>mpcpy.model</code> object) Model with which to perform the optimization.
objective_variable	(string) The name of the model variable to be used in the objective function.
constraint_data	(dictionary) <code>exodata</code> constraint object data attribute.

get_optimization_options ()

Get the options for the optimization solver package.

Returns `opt_options` : dictionary

The options for the optimization solver package. See specific documentation on solver package for more information.

get_optimization_statistics ()

Get the optimization result statistics from the solver package.

Returns `opt_statistics` : dictionary

The options for the optimization solver package. See specific documentation on solver package for more information.

optimize (*start_time*, *final_time*, ***kwargs*)

Solve the optimization problem over the specified time horizon.

Parameters `start_time` : string

Start time of estimation period.

`final_time` : string

Final time of estimation period.

Yields Upon solving the optimization problem, this method updates the

`Model.control_data` dictionary with the optimal control

timeseries for each control variable and the `Model.measurements`

dictionary with the optimal measurements under the 'Simulated' key.

set_optimization_options (*opt_options*)

Set the options for the optimization solver package.

Parameters `opt_options` : dictionary

The options for the optimization solver package. See specific documentation on solver package for more information.

set_package_type (*package_type*)

Set the solver package type of the optimization.

Parameters `package_type` : `mpcpy.optimization.package_type`

New software package type to use to solve the optimization problem. See specific documentation on available package types.

set_problem_type (*problem_type*)

Set the problem type of the optimization.

Note that optimization options will be reset.

Parameters `problem_type` : `mpcpy.optimization.problem_type`

New problem type to solve. See specific documentation on available problem types.

7.2 Problem Types

class `mpcpy.optimization.EnergyMin`

Minimize the integral of the objective variable over the time horizon.

class mpcpy.optimization.**EnergyCostMin**

Minimize the integral of the objective variable multiplied by a time-varying weighting factor over the time horizon.

7.3 Package Types

class mpcpy.optimization.**JModelica** (*Optimization*)

Use JModelica to solve the optimization problem.

This package is compatible with `models.Modelica` objects. Please consult the JModelica user guide for more information regarding optimization options and solver statistics.

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