
MPCPy User Guide

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INTRODUCTION

MPCPy facilitates the testing and implementation of occupant-integrated model predictive control (MPC) for building systems. The software 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. Three other modules contain classes to help track units and provide additional, mainly internal, functionality to MPCPy.

- **ExoData** classes collect external data and process it for use within MPCPy.
- **System** classes represent real or emulated systems to be controlled, collecting measurements from and providing control inputs to the systems.
- **Models** classes represent system models for MPC, managing model simulation, estimation, and validation.
- **Optimization** classes formulate and solve the MPC optimization problems using Models objects.
- **Variable** and **Unit** 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.

While MPCPy provides an integration platform, it relies on third-party software packages for model implementation, simulators, parameter estimation algorithms, and optimization solvers. See Section 2 for a dependencies list of the current release.

GETTING STARTED

To get started with MPCPy, first follow the installation instructions below. Then, explore the ipython notebooks in the `examples` directory to get a feel for the workflow of MPCPy. You can always consult the user guide for more information.

Installation Instructions For Linux (Ubuntu 16.04 LTS)

1. Install Python Packages

- matplotlib 1.5.1
- numpy 1.11.0
- pandas 0.17.1
- python-dateutil 2.4.2
- pytz 2014.10
- scikit-learn 0.18.1
- tzwhere 2.3
- sphinx 1.3.6
- estimationpy

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

3. Create JModelica environmental variables

- add the following lines to your `bashrc` script:

```
export JMODELICA_HOME="../../../JModelica-Inst/JModelica"
export IPOPT_HOME="../../../JModelica-Inst/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/jvm/java-8-openjdk-amd64/"
```

4. 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`).

5. Edit PYTHONPATH environmental variable

- add the following lines to your `bashrc` script (assumes 3. above sets `JMODELICA_HOME`):

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

6. Test the installation

- Run the ipython notebook examples located in `examples` or run the unit tests as outlined below.

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:

<code>name</code>	A descriptor of the variable.
<code>data</code>	Single value or a timeseries.
<code>unit</code>	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.

Instantiation

Variables are instantiated by defining the variable type and the three components listed in the previous section. If the data of the variable does not change with time, the variable must be instantiated using the `variables.Static` class. Data supplied to static variable may be a single value, a list, or a numpy array. If the data of the variable is a timeseries, the variable must be instantiated using the `variables.Timeseries` class. Data supplied to a timeseries variable must be in the form of a pandas series object with a datetime index. This brings to MPCPy all of the functionality of the pandas package. The unit assigned is a class chosen from the `units` module.

```
# Instantiate a static variable with units in Degrees Celsius
var = variables.Static('var', 20, units.degC)
```

Timeseries variables have capabilities to manage the the timezone of the data as well as clean the data upon instantiation with the following optional keyword arguments:

<code>tz_name</code>	The name of the timezone as defined by <code>tzwhere</code> . By default, the UTC timezone is assigned to the data. If a different timezone is assigned, the data is converted to and stored in UTC.
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Similar to the treatment of data units, the timezone is only converted to the assigned timezone upon data extraction.

geography

Tuple containing (latitude,longitude) in degrees. If geography is defined, the timezone associated with that location will be assigned to the variable.

cleaning_type

The type of cleaning to be performed on the data. This should be a class selected from `variables.Timeseries`.

cleaning_args

Arguments of the `cleaning_type` defined.

Variable Management

Accessing Data

Data may be extracted from a variable by using the `display_data()` and `get_base_data()` methods. The former will extract the data in the assigned unit, while the latter will extract the data in the base unit.

Setting Display Unit

The display unit of a variable may be changed using the `set_display_unit()` method. This requires a class of the `units` module as an argument.

Setting Data

The data of a variable may be changed using the `set_data()` method. This requires a single value or pandas series object as an argument, depending on the variable type.

Operations

Variables with the same display unit can be added and subtracted using the “+” and “-” operands. The result is a third variable with the resulting data, same display unit, and name as “var1_var2”.

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, <code>numpy</code> array) Data of variable
display_unit	(<code>mpcpy.units.unit</code>) 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.

Methods

<code>display_data(**kwargs)</code>	Return the data of the variable in display units.
<code>get_base_data()</code>	Return the data of the variable in base units.
<code>get_base_unit()</code>	Returns the base unit of the variable.
<code>get_base_unit_name()</code>	Returns the base unit name of the variable.
<code>get_display_unit()</code>	Returns the display unit of the variable.
<code>get_display_unit_name()</code>	Returns the display unit name of the variable.
<code>set_data(data)</code>	Set data of Static variable.
<code>set_display_unit(display_unit)</code>	Set the display unit of the variable.

`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

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

Methods

<code>cleaning_replace((to_replace, replace_with))</code>	Cleaning method to replace values within timeseries.
<code>display_data(**kwargs)</code>	Return the data of the variable in display units.
<code>get_base_data()</code>	Return the data of the variable in base units.
<code>get_base_unit()</code>	Returns the base unit of the variable.
<code>get_base_unit_name()</code>	Returns the base unit name of the variable.
<code>get_display_unit()</code>	Returns the display unit of the variable.
<code>get_display_unit_name()</code>	Returns the display unit name of the variable.
<code>set_data(timeseries[, tz_name])</code>	Set data of Timeseries variable.
<code>set_display_unit(display_unit)</code>	Set the display unit of the variable.

`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.

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

- weaDifHor - 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}
```

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

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

Methods

<i>collect_data</i> (<i>start_time</i> , <i>final_time</i>)	Collect data from specified source.
<i>display_data</i> ()	Get data in display units as pandas dataframe.
<i>get_base_data</i> ()	Get data in base units as pandas dataframe.

collect_data (*start_time*, *final_time*)

Collect data from specified source.

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

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

Methods

<code>collect_data(start_time, final_time)</code>	Collect data from specified source.
<code>display_data()</code>	Get data in display units as pandas dataframe.
<code>get_base_data()</code>	Get data in base units as pandas dataframe.

collect_data (*start_time*, *final_time*)

Collect data from specified source.

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.

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`.

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.

Methods

<code>collect_data</code> (start_time, final_time)	Collect data from specified source.
<code>display_data</code> ()	Get data in display units as pandas dataframe.
<code>get_base_data</code> ()	Get data in base units as pandas dataframe.

collect_data (*start_time*, *final_time*)

Collect data from specified source.

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

<i>data</i>	(dictionary) {"Zone Name" : {"Internal Variable Name" : <code>mpcpy.Variables.Timeseries</code> }}.
<i>lat</i>	(numeric) Latitude in degrees. For timezone.
<i>lon</i>	(numeric) Longitude in degrees. For timezone.
<i>tz_name</i>	(string) Timezone name.

Methods

<code>collect_data(start_time, final_time)</code>	Collect data from specified source.
<code>display_data()</code>	Get data in display units as pandas dataframe.
<code>get_base_data()</code>	Get data in base units as pandas dataframe.

collect_data (*start_time*, *final_time*)

Collect data from specified source.

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.

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.

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

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

Methods

<code>collect_data(start_time, final_time)</code>	Collect data from specified source.
<code>display_data()</code>	Get data in display units as pandas dataframe.
<code>get_base_data()</code>	Get data in base units as pandas dataframe.

collect_data (*start_time*, *final_time*)

Collect data from specified source.

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.

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.

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" : 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.

Methods

<code>collect_data(start_time, final_time)</code>	Collect data from specified source.
<code>display_data()</code>	Get data in display units as pandas dataframe.
<code>get_base_data()</code>	Get data in base units as pandas dataframe.

collect_data (*start_time*, *final_time*)

Collect data from specified source.

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.

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

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

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

Methods

<code>collect_data</code> (<i>start_time</i> , <i>final_time</i>)	Collect data from specified source.
<code>display_data</code> ()	Get data in display units as pandas dataframe.
<code>get_base_data</code> ()	Get data in base units as pandas dataframe.

collect_data (*start_time*, *final_time*)

Collect data from specified source.

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.

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)

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

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

Methods

<i>collect_data</i> (<i>start_time</i> , <i>final_time</i>)	Collect data from specified source.
<i>display_data</i> ()	Get data in display units as pandas dataframe.
<i>get_base_data</i> ()	Get data in base units as pandas dataframe.

collect_data (*start_time*, *final_time*)

Collect data from specified source.

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

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

Methods

<code>collect_data(start_time, final_time)</code>	Collect data from specified source.
<code>display_data()</code>	Get data in display units as pandas dataframe.
<code>get_base_data()</code>	Get data in base units as pandas dataframe.

collect_data (*start_time*, *final_time*)

Collect data from specified source.

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.

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

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

<code>data</code>	(dictionary) {“Parameter Name” : {“Parameter Key Name” : mpcpy.Variables.Static}}.
<code>file_path</code>	(string) Path of csv file.

Methods

<code>collect_data()</code>	Collect parameter data from csv file into data dictionary.
<code>display_data()</code>	Get data as pandas dataframe in display units.
<code>get_base_data()</code>	Get data as pandas dataframe in base units.

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

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.

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.

Attributes

measurements	(dictionary) {"Measurement Name" : {"Measurement <i>Key</i> " : mpcpy.Variables.Timeseries/Static} }.
zone_names	([strings]) List of zone names.
weather_data	(dictionary) exodata weather object data attribute.
internal_data	(dictionary) exodata internal object data attribute.
control_data	(dictionary) exodata control object data attribute.
other_inputs	(dictionary) exodata other inputs object data attribute.
parameter_data	(dictionary) exodata parameter object data attribute.
lat	(numeric) Latitude in degrees. For timezone.
lon	(numeric) Longitude in degrees. For timezone.
tz_name	(string) Timezone name.
fmU	(pyfmi fmU object) FMU representing the emulated system.
fmUpath	(string) Path to the FMU file.

Methods

<code>collect_measurements(start_time, final_time)</code>	Collect measurement data for the emulated system by simulation.
<code>display_measurements(measurement_key)</code>	Get measurements data in display units as pandas dataframe.
<code>get_base_measurements(measurement_key)</code>	Get measurements data in base units as pandas dataframe.

collect_measurements (*start_time*, *final_time*)

Collect measurement data for the emulated system by simulation.

Parameters *start_time* : string

Start time of measurements collection.

final_time : string

Final time of measurements collection.

Yields *measurements* : dictionary

measurements 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.

Real

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

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)}.

Attributes

<code>measurements</code>	(dictionary) {“Measurement Variable Name”: {“Measurement <i>Key</i> ”: mpcpy.Variables.Timeseries/Static}}.
<code>zone_names</code>	([strings]) List of zone names.
<code>weather_data</code>	(dictionary) exodata weather object data attribute.
<code>internal_data</code>	(dictionary) exodata internal object data attribute.
<code>control_data</code>	(dictionary) exodata control object data attribute.
<code>other_inputs</code>	(dictionary) exodata other inputs object data attribute.
<code>parameter_data</code>	(dictionary) exodata parameter object data attribute.
<code>lat</code>	(numeric) Latitude in degrees. For timezone.
<code>lon</code>	(numeric) Longitude in degrees. For timezone.
<code>tz_name</code>	(string) Timezone name.
<code>file_path</code>	(string) Path of csv file.

Methods

<code>collect_measurements(start_time, final_time)</code>	Collect measurement data for the real system.
<code>display_measurements(measurement_key)</code>	Get measurements data in display units as pandas dataframe.
<code>get_base_measurements(measurement_key)</code>	Get measurements data in base units as pandas dataframe.

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 `measurements` : dictionary

Measurement 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).

Modelica

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

Classes

class `mpecpy.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 `mpecpy.models`

Method for performing the parameter estimation.

validate_method : validation method class from `mpecpy.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.

Attributes

measurements	(dictionary) systems measurement object attribute.
zone_names	([strings]) List of zone names.
weather_data	(dictionary) exodata weather object data attribute.
internal_data	(dictionary) exodata internal object data attribute.
control_data	(dictionary) exodata control object data attribute.
other_inputs	(dictionary) exodata other inputs object data attribute.
parameter_data	(dictionary) exodata parameter object data attribute.
lat	(numeric) Latitude in degrees. For timezone.
lon	(numeric) Longitude in degrees. For timezone.
tz_name	(string) Timezone name.
fmv	(pyfmi fmv object) FMV representing the emulated system.
fmvpath	(string) Path to the FMV file.

Methods

<i>display_measurements</i> (measurement_key)	Get measurements data in display units as pandas dataframe.
<i>estimate</i> (start_time, final_time, ...)	Estimate the parameters of the model using measurement data.
<i>get_base_measurements</i> (measurement_key)	Get measurements data in base units as pandas dataframe.
<i>set_estimate_method</i> (estimate_method)	Set the estimation method for the model.
<i>set_validate_method</i> (validate_method)	Set the validation method for the model.
<i>simulate</i> (start_time, final_time)	Simulate the model with current parameter estimates.
<i>validate</i> (start_time, final_time, ..., plot)	Validate the estimated parameters of the model.

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 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.

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 *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.

simulate (*start_time*, *final_time*)

Simulate the model with current parameter estimates.

Parameters *start_time* : string

Start time of simulation period.

final_time : string

Final time of simulation period.

Yields *measurements* : dictionary

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 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. Default = 1.

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

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 from [EstimationPy](#).

Validate Methods

class `mpcpy.models.RMSE` (*Model*)

Validation method that computes the RMSE between estimated and measured data.

Yields `RMSE` : dictionary

Attribute of the model object that contains the RMSE for each measurement variable used to perform the validation.

Occupancy

Occupancy model objects represent the prediction of occupancy.

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.

Attributes

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

Methods

<code>display_measurements(measurement_key)</code>	Get measurements data in display units as pandas dataframe.
<code>estimate(start_time, final_time, **kwargs)</code>	Estimate the parameters of the model using measurement data.
<code>get_base_measurements(measurement_key)</code>	Get measurements data in base units as pandas dataframe.
<code>get_constraint(occupied_value, unoccupied_value)</code>	Get a constraint timeseries based on the predicted occupancy.
<code>get_estimate_options()</code>	Set the estimation options for the model.
<code>get_load(load_per_person)</code>	Get a load timeseries based on the predicted occupancy.
<code>get_simulate_options()</code>	Get the simulation options for the model.
<code>set_estimate_options(estimate_options)</code>	Set the estimation options for the model.
<code>set_occupancy_method(occupancy_method)</code>	Set the occupancy method for the model.
<code>set_simulate_options(simulate_options)</code>	Set the simulation options for the model.
<code>simulate(start_time, final_time, **kwargs)</code>	Simulate the model with current parameter estimates.
<code>validate(start_time, final_time, ..., plot)</code>	Validate the estimated parameters of the model with measurement data.

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` : `mcp.py.variables.Static`

Scaling factor of occupancy prediction to produce load timeseries.

Returns `load` : `mcp.py.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 `mcp.py.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.

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

esti- mate_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
simu- late_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.

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.

Methods

<code>optimize(start_time, final_time, **kwargs)</code>	Solve the optimization problem over the specified time horizon.
<code>set_package_type(package_type)</code>	Set the solver package type of the optimization.
<code>set_problem_type(problem_type, **kwargs)</code>	Set the problem type of the optimization.

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_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*, ***kwargs*)

Set the problem type of the optimization.

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

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

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.

Package Types

class `mpcpy.optimization.JModelica`

Use JModelica to solve the optimization problem.

This package is compatible with `models.Modelica` objects.

OCCUPANT

The `occupant` package contains models for the integration of occupant behavior into MPCPy. Broadly speaking, there are two types of occupant interactions that are considered; occupancy and adaptive behavior.

Occupancy Models

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

Models

Queueing

Based on:

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

Adaptive Behavior Models

Adaptive behavior models consider how occupants adapt to space conditions. These include models that predict occupant preferences for environmental conditions and occupant interactions with building elements, such as HVAC, facade, lighting, and plug loads.

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