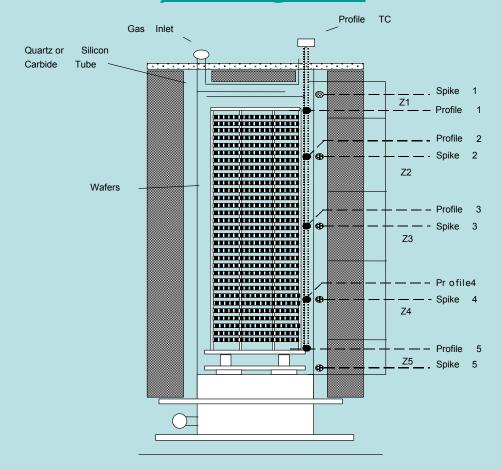
Nonlinear identification for diffusion/CVD furnaces

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Main Result: Nonlinear Identification methods can provide "global" models with smooth transition between operating points, and with similar modeling errors as local linear models, suitable for controller design.

Experimental verification:

Vertical or horizontal furnaces, operating at atmospheric pressure or at low pressure.

Heat provided by electrical thermal elements

Temperatures measured by two sets of thermocouples,

Spike TC near the heating element Profile TC inside reaction chamber

Simulation Test-Bed:

Partial Differential Equation model based on first principles Model includes heat transfer due to radiation and convection

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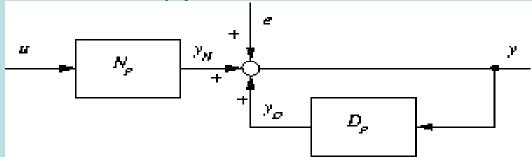
Model structure and parameterization

Nonlinear model structure:

Linear in the parameters ARX generalization. (e.g. Leontaritis 85)

$$\dot{x}(t) = Fx + \sum_{i=0}^{n_u} \theta_{1_i} f_i(u(t)) + \sum_{i=0}^{n_y} \theta_{2_i} g_i(y(t)), \ \theta_4 = x(t_0)$$

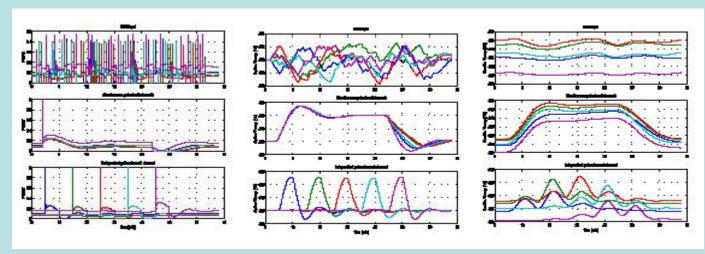
$$y(t) = Cx(t) + \sum_{i=0}^{n_d} \theta_{3_i} h_i(u(t))$$



Left factorization of the plant

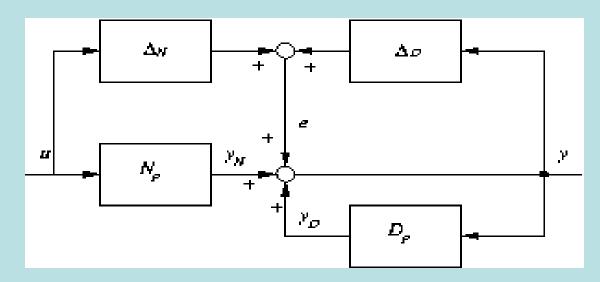
Typical Set of Experiments:

- Multiple Operating Points (50-100 degC separation)
- Random binary sequence excitation to provide mid-high frequency information
- Step tests to provide low frequency information



Typical Experiment: power, spike, profile

Identification structure



Least-squares problem for finding the unknown parameters

$$\min_{\Theta} \|e\|_{2} = \min_{\Theta} \left\{ \sqrt{e^{T}(t)e(t)} \right\},$$

$$e = y(t) - \hat{y}(t), \quad \hat{y}(t) = W(t)\Theta$$

$$E_{LS} = \min_{\Theta} \|y(t) - W(t)\Theta\|_{2}$$

$$\min_{\Theta} \|H\Theta\|_{2}$$

$$s.t.: \|y(t) - W(t)\Theta\|_{2} \le (1 + \rho)E_{LS}$$

Regularized parameter estimates

Uncertainty estimation

$$\min_{\delta_{1},\delta_{2}} \left\{ \overline{\sigma} \left(P^{-1}T(I - D_{P})^{-1} \right) \delta_{1} + \overline{\sigma} \left(S(I - D_{P})^{-1} \right) \delta_{2} \right\}$$

$$s.t. \left\{ \Delta_{N}(u) + \Delta_{D}(y) = e \right\}$$

$$\overline{\sigma} \left(\Delta_{N} \right) \leq \delta_{1}, \, \overline{\sigma} \left(\Delta_{D} \right) \leq \delta_{2}$$

$$\left[\delta_{1} \quad \delta_{2} \right] = \begin{cases} \left[\frac{|S_{e}|}{|S_{u}|} \quad 0 \right] & \text{if } \ell < 1 \\ 0 \quad \frac{|S_{e}|}{|S_{u}|} & \text{if } \ell > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\ell = \frac{|S_{y}|}{|S_{u}|} \frac{\overline{\sigma} \left(P^{-1} \right) \overline{\sigma} \left(T \right)}{\overline{\sigma} \left(S \right)}$$

P: plant model, S_x: power spectrum of x

S: Sensitivity, T: Co-sensitivity

Uncertainty estimates:

- incremental gains
- translated to sensitivity and co-sensitivity bounds for loop-shaping controller design.
- Scheduled Controller design: Standard H-infinity design in MATLAB

$$\min \gamma : \sigma \begin{bmatrix} W_3 T \\ W_1 S \end{bmatrix} < \gamma$$

$$W_3 = \sigma(P^{-1})\sigma((I - D_n)^{-1})\delta_1, W_1 = \sigma((I - D_n)^{-1})\delta_2$$

Model structure for the simulation test-bed

Power-Spike NL model

$$\dot{x} = Fx + \theta_{1_1}u + \theta_{1_2}u^{(2)} + \theta_{1_3}u^{(3)} + \theta_{1_4}u^{(4)} + \theta_{2_1}y + \theta_{2_2}y^{(2)} + \theta_{2_3}y^{(3)} + \theta_{2_4}y^{(4)}$$

$$y = Cx + \theta_{3_0}$$

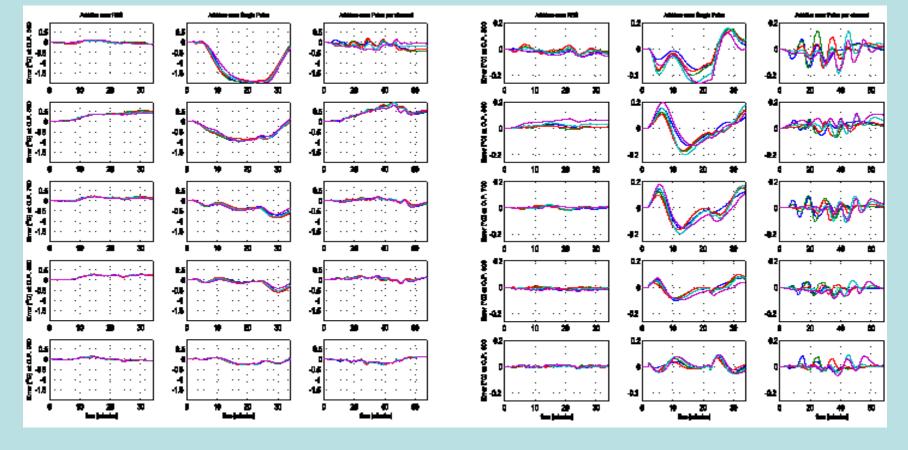
Spike-Profile NL model

$$\dot{x} = Fx + \theta_{1_1} u + \theta_{1_4} u^{(4)} + \theta_{2_1} y + \theta_{2_4} y^{(4)}$$

$$y = Cx + \theta_{3_0} + \theta_{3_1}u + \theta_{3_4}u^{(4)}$$

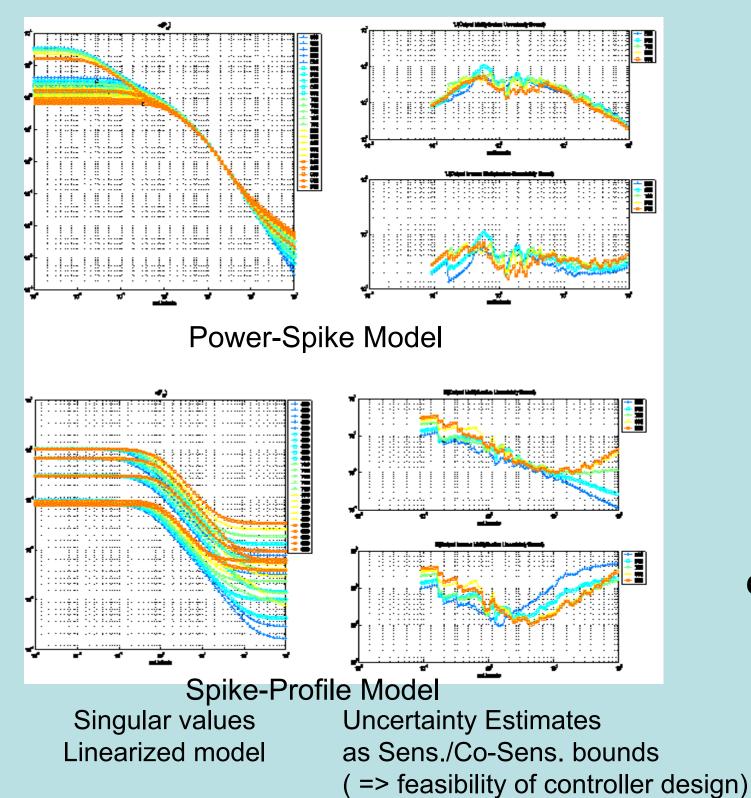
- Data from 5 sets of experiments
 From 500 to 900 C
- Nonlinear Model
 - 605 of Spike Parameters
 - 255 Profile Parameters
- Linear, scheduled model 5 operating points
 - 650 Spike Parameters
 - 300 Profile Parameters

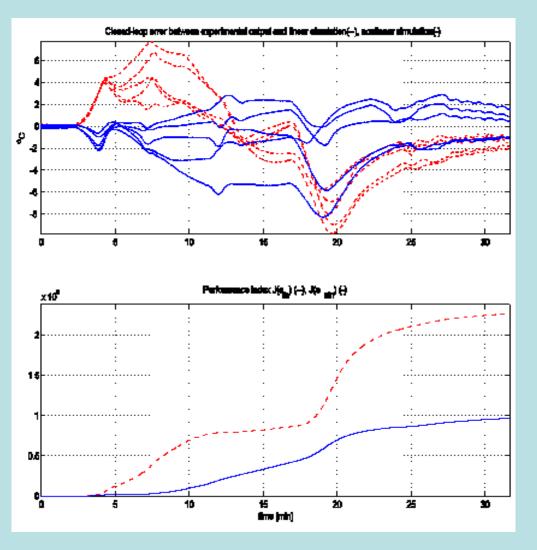
Spike Additive Error



Profile Additive Error

Simulation test-bed model





Comparison between the closed-loop differences:

- •PDE model and the linear, scheduled plant (red);
- •PDE model and nonlinear plant (blue)
- •Reference signal: ramp from 500 to 800, 20deg/min.
- •Closed-loop with a gain-scheduled H-infinity controller
- •details: [Flores-Godoy 02]

Modeling Example: Thermco Minibrute 5in horizontal 3 zones

Power-Spike NL model

$$\dot{x} = Fx + \theta_{1_1}u + \theta_{1_2}u^{(2)} + \theta_{1_3}u^{(3)} + \theta_{2_1}y + \theta_{2_2}y^{(2)} + \theta_{2_3}y^{(3)}$$

$$y = Cx$$

Spike-Profile NL model

$$\dot{x} = Fx + \theta_{1_1}u + \theta_{1_2}u^{(2)} + \theta_{2_1}y + \theta_{2_2}y^{(2)} + \theta_{2_3}y^{(3)} + \theta_{2_4}y^{(4)}$$

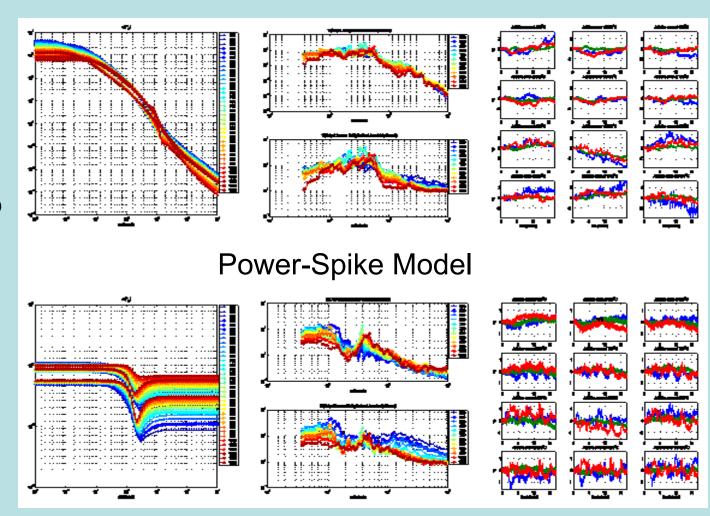
$$y = Cx + \theta_{3_1}u + \theta_{3_2}u^{(2)}$$

Identification Experiments:

12 Experiments (RBS signal) at operating points from 550 to 1050 C [Tsakalis 99]

Controller Design Feasibility:

Similar to local linear models 10 rad/min spike loop bandwidth 2-4 rad/min profile loop bandwidth [Tsakalis 99]



Spike-Profile Model

Singular values of Linearized model

Uncertainty Estimates

Additive errors

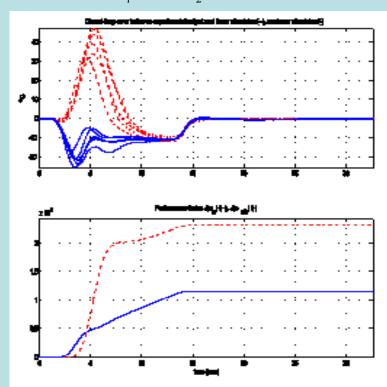
Example: Vertical Furnace 5 zones

Power-Spike NL model
$$\dot{x} = Fx + \theta_{1_1}u + \theta_{1_2}u^{(2)} + \theta_{2_1}y + \theta_{2_2}y^{(2)}$$

$$y = Cx$$

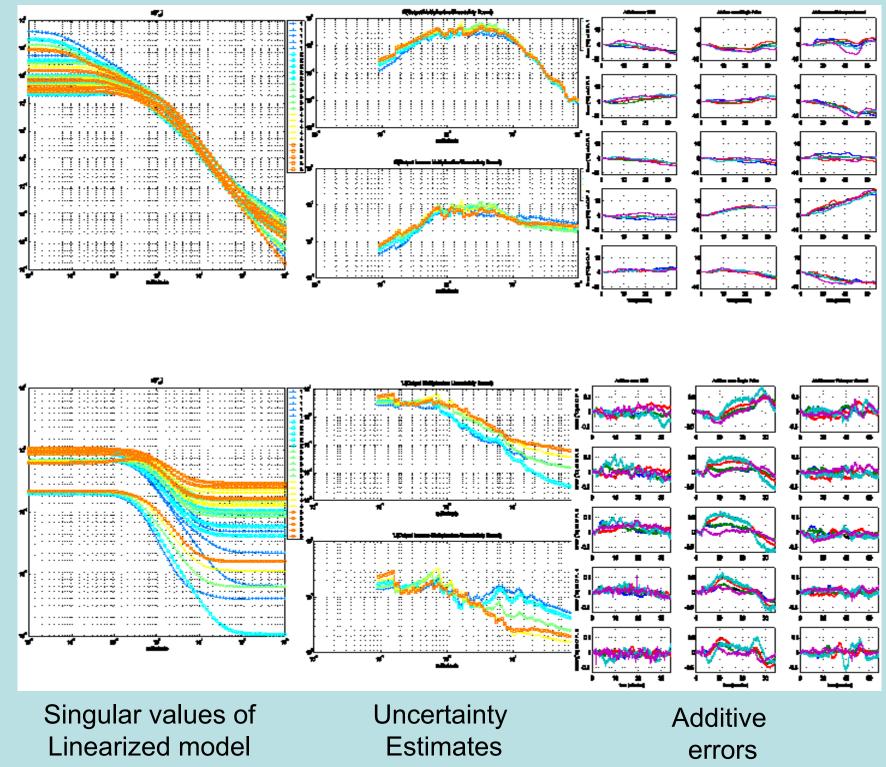
Spike-Profile NL model
$$\dot{x} = Fx + \theta_{1_1}u + \theta_{1_2}u^{(2)} + \theta_{2_1}y + \theta_{2_2}y^{(2)} + \theta_{2_3}y^{(3)} + \theta_{2_4}y^{(4)}$$

$$y = Cx + \theta_{3_1}u + \theta_{3_2}u^{(2)}$$



Closed-loop comparison between GS vs NL

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Conclusions

- Generalization of linear modeling and uncertainty estimation techniques.
- Efficient parameter estimation via least-squares algorithms.
- Dynamic uncertainty estimates with incremental gain interpretation, suitable for robust controller design
- Controller design:
 - linearization-and-scheduling methods (well-established, [Tsakalis 99])
 - linear-parameter-varying methods (next phase [Packard 94, Rugh 2000, Gahinet 95])

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