Cyber-physical Manufacturing Systems: Improving Productivity with Advanced Monitoring and Control

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Introduction & Motivation

Collecting and integrating diverse data

Condition monitoring and adaptation

Conclusion and future work

Importance of Manufacturing

"The manufacturing industry represents 12% of the United States' GDP, making it a major engine of our economy that provides millions of well-paying job opportunities"



Also: 32% of energy consumed in the US

75% of US private sector R&D



Problem

Common Overall Equipment Effectiveness (OEE) under 50%



Manufacturing productivity shows downtrend or little improvement

Worldwide studies indicate that the average Overall Equipment Effectiveness (OEE) rate in manufacturing plants is 60%

World Class OEE is considered to be 85% or better. Clearly, there is *room for improvement* in most manufacturing plants!

→ Opportunity for control technologies

Challenges

• Some major challenges:

Supervise complex plant floor operations

Quality

- Various sources of disturbances
- Multi-Domain Control Problem
 - Production management
 - Maintenance policies
 - Sustainable Operations
 - Quality Assurance





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Data Collection & Analysis



Big Data in Manufacturing: Opportunities

- Improve quality: Combine part, production, and warranty data
- Reduce downtime: Monitor machine health using data and AI models
- Increase energy efficiency: Monitor energy consumption and develop energy saving policies



PRODUCTIVITY IMPROVEMENT AND COST SAVINGS

Big Data in Manufacturing: Challenges

- Heterogeneity: Different sources, languages, protocols, and types
- Scalability: Cost of extracting, storing, and processing Big Data
- **Privacy and Ownership**: Security and governance concerns



BIG DATA, BIG OPPORTUNITIES, BIG CHALLENGES

Background: Data Processing Architecture

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Improve data processing to support more efficient cloud and edge computing

Solution:

- ✓ Transform the data on edge devices to a common language
- ✓ Reduce data prior to transmission
- ✓ Define rules and conditions for data storage and transmission

Data reduction

 Geometry-based: Key dimensions from images

 Signal-based: Key characteristics in the time or frequency domain

 Condition-based: Additional information about events



REDUCE DIMENSIONALITY BY EXTRACTING FEATURES

Data Transmission

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Use common communication protocols



Integration of Adapters

Heterogeneous data sources and protocols



COMPATIBLE WITH DIFFERENT DEVICES AND NODES

Case Study: Description

- Serial-parallel manufacturing line for subtractive and additive manufacturing
- Used for research and education
- Supported by U-M and Rockwell Automation.



Case Study: Data extraction



Case Study: Architecture

1. Plant floor data extraction

2. Data transformation and reduction

3. Cloud architecture



Case Study: Results

- Geometry-based: Extract, send and store part features
- Signal-based: Monitor motor conveyor motor overload
- Condition-based: Identify event occurrence









Feature extraction:

Identify what features to keep from different signals

Scalability:

Expert knowledge is required to define data transmission rules

Data collection

Latency constraints (50 – 1000ms)









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Condition Monitoring: Background



Condition Monitoring



Condition Monitoring: Gaps

• Gap

- o Combine different models for various machine-part interactions
- o Diagnosis based on operational context of non-stationary signals
- o Consider risks or severity in part and process

Research Questions:

- How to detect anomalies in machines operating under different states?
- o How to identify machine-part interactions?
- How to develop a context-sensitive multi-model framework?



Leverage controller data and expert knowledge:

- Explicit operation descriptors:
 - Part (e.g.: type, material, supplier)
 - Tool (e.g.: dimensions, features, material)
 - Process step (e.g.: G-code, task, states)
 - Implicit operation descriptors:
 - Machine dynamics (e.g.: velocity, acceleration)
 - Machine-part interactions (e.g.: side milling, drilling, welding)







- Sensor data: Encoder (q, \dot{q}) and energy (I, V)
- Context information: State, Process step, tool,...

Signal Filtering and data fusion

Identify operational context

- Machine-part interactions
- Transient states

Context-sensitive adaptive threshold limits

Context-specific classification models

Modeling Framework: Global Operational States

Functional States Idle, set-up, repair, processing,	Dynamic States (machine dynamics) Accel, decel, constant velocity,
Interactive States	Process Descriptors
(interact w/part)	(part & process)
Roughing, finishing, face	Part type, tool type,
milling,	material,

Use Expert knowledge, Event detection, and Dynamic Time Warping to separate states



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Identification of Interactive Events:

$$G = [Y(1) ... Y(m)]^T$$

$$e^{I} = \left[Y_{ref}(1) \dots Y_{ref}(n)\right]^{T}$$



 $\min(DTW(e^{I},G))$



Input: $e^{I} = [Y_{ref}(1)...Y_{ref}(n)]^{T}, G = [Y(1)...Y(m)]^{T}$ Output: Event Start, Event end Initialization : 1: Best-so-far $\leftarrow \infty$ LOOP 2: for i = 1 to m - 1 do for j = 2 to m do 3: if $DTW(e^{I}, G_{i,j}) < \text{Best-so-far then}$ 4: Event Start = i5: Event end = j6: Best-so-far = $DTW(e^{I}, G_{i,j})$ 7: end if 8: end for 9: 10: end for

11: return Event Start, Event end

Algorithm 1 Event Search Algorithm

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Multi-model Specification:

M = (GOS, U, X, Y, F, H)

GOS: Global Operational State

- U: Continuous inputs
- X: State variables
- Y: Output variables
- *F*: Mapping of state variable functions
- H: Mapping of output variable functions

Adaptive Threshold Limits:

 $\Delta \mathbf{r}_{GOS} = \mu \pm \psi_R Z \sigma$ $\mu: mean, \sigma: Std, \mathbf{Z}: Score$ $\psi_R: Risk Coefficient$



- Context-Specific Classification:
 - 1. Partition signal by Context $[GOS_1 \dots GOS_3 \dots GOS_1 \dots GOS_n]$
 - 2. Generate Features Time domain: {F1: RMS, F2: Max, ... } Frequency domain: {F3: Peak Freq., F4: Amplitude, ... }
 - 3. Extract Features

4. Classify





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• Inputs: Sensor data and Context information

Artificial vision

Process step



+ Energy signature





• Multi-Model Framework:



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Use supervised learning (SVM) to separate worn tool from wrong material



0.06 0.02 0.04 0.06 0.08 0.08 0.01 RMS I_x (A) 0.08 0.08 0.1

part feature: 81.2%



Partition by part feature and GOS: 93.6%

Develop context-specific diagnosis rules:

- Extract context information
- Identify fault patterns
- Define classification rules



Diagnose tool breakage under different operational context



Condition Monitoring: Contribution

Identification of machine-part interaction to enable contextsensitive analysis

Improve anomaly detection and diagnosis using a multi-model framework

Impact: Support condition monitoring for more effective maintenance actions





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Monitoring system real-time data

Virtual world reflects real time "ground truth" of the plant floor

Improved information visualization leads to better understanding of system operation, rapid fault diagnosis and reduced downtime



Using data to improve manufacturing operations

