Combined production and maintenance optimization

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3 Can we come up with a more efficient optimization-based approach?

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subject to

$$0 = g(\dot{x}, x, z, u, \pi) \qquad \begin{cases} \text{System dynamics} \\ \text{and model equations} \end{cases} \tag{1b}$$

(1c)

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Repairs follow As-Good-As-New (AGAN) strategy

Modeling the probabilities



 $\mu_i(t)$: probability of being in state *i* at time *t*

(2)

Modeling the probabilities



Figure: Evolution of the probabilities without control

How do the inputs / operating modes enter in the model?

$$\frac{d\boldsymbol{\mu}}{dt} = \boldsymbol{\Lambda}(u, t) \cdot \boldsymbol{\mu}(t)$$
(3)

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Figure: Solid line: u = 1.

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Figure: Solid line: u = 1.Dashed line: u = 0.67

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Imperfect, corrective

$$\boldsymbol{R} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7\\0.3\\0\\-1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Including maintenance interventions



Figure: Evolution of the probabilities with inspections at 50, 100 and 150 weeks



$$\min_{u(l),r(l)} \qquad \int_{0}^{t_f} \left(-f + f_m + f_i\right) dt \tag{10}$$

$$f(t) = c(u,t)^{\mathsf{T}} \boldsymbol{\mu}(t)$$
 Production

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 Model

Our optimization problem is on the form:

$$\min_{u,r} \qquad \int_0^{t_f} \phi(t,\mu,u,r) \tag{11}$$
s.t. $g(t,\mu,u,r) \le 0$ (12)

Discretize problem, solve resulting nonlinear program (NLP) using off-the-shelf NLP solver



Figure: Optimal production strategy with maintenance after 92, 132 and 163 weeks.

Conclusion

- Can optimize maintenance and operations at the same time
- Would have been difficult with traditional Monte Carlo approach!

Future work:

- (more complex) non-linear model
- Distributionally robust
- Multi-stage maintenance planning



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Dirac functions are not good for optimization

$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{r}}(t) = \boldsymbol{S}^{\mathsf{T}} \boldsymbol{\mu}(t) \cdot \left(\sum_{i=1}^{k} \delta(t - t_i) \right)$$
(13)

$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{r}}(t) \approx \boldsymbol{r}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} \text{Boxcar}(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} h_i \Big(\mathsf{H}(t-t_i) - \mathsf{H}(t-t_i-\epsilon_i) \Big) \quad (14)$$

In practice, the Boxcar function is simply a piece-wise constant function

Backup: Approximating r



Figure: Illustration of how $\tilde{r}(t)$ (dashed line, circles) can be approximated by r(t) (solid line) to obtain a continuous μ .

Inspection cost is proportional to number of inspections. How to calculate? Formulate with complementary

$$f_i = c_i \cdot y \tag{15}$$

$$0 \le (1-y) \perp r \ge 0$$
 (16)

Backup: How to calculate f_i

Can be solved in IPOPT with a hybrid relaxation / penalty method

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{r}, \boldsymbol{u}, \boldsymbol{y}} \quad -f(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{r}, \boldsymbol{u}, t) + \boldsymbol{c}(l) \cdot \mathsf{vec}\left((1 - \boldsymbol{y}(t)) \otimes \boldsymbol{u}(t)\right) \quad (17a)$$

s.t.
$$\frac{d \boldsymbol{\mu}}{dt} = \boldsymbol{\Lambda} \boldsymbol{\mu} + \boldsymbol{R} \boldsymbol{r}$$
 (17b)

$$0 \le \boldsymbol{\mu}(t) \le 1$$
 (17c)

$$0 \le \boldsymbol{r}(t) \le ar{\boldsymbol{r}}$$
 (17d)

$$0 \le \boldsymbol{u}(t) \le \bar{\boldsymbol{u}}$$
 (17e)

$$\operatorname{vec}\left(\boldsymbol{r}(t)\otimes\left(1-\boldsymbol{y}(t)\right)\right)\geq\boldsymbol{\epsilon}(l).$$
 (17f)

Here, (\cdot) denotes the inner product and (\otimes) denotes the outer product. This problem is solved sequentially $\{l\}$ times such that

$$\lim_{k\to\infty}, \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \to 0, \boldsymbol{c} \to \infty$$