

Analysis Methods for Data-driven Feedback Control

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Feedback Loop



- Sensor: Gets an input from Detector, analyzes it and provides a Measure for Controller
- Controller: Based on input from Sensor and control parameters manipulates the System
- **System**: Using commands from Controller adjusts process under study and executes a measuring procedure



- Terminology could be discussed and changed
- Sensor is not a Detector
- The general model is **independent** of computational architecture and physical local

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Sensor



All Sensor methods could be classified according to:

Response time (processing time) of the Sensor:

- Real-time (e.g. fast reject)
- Interactive (e.g. auto-focusing)
- Offline (e.g. general optical flow computation)

Priority (How often such functionality is required?):

- High Priority: Should be used routinely
- Middle Priority: Could be used sometimes
- Low Priority: Very rare or application is not clear

Measure (output) type:

- Scalar value (e.g. changes rate, maximum velocity)
- Vector (e.g. object tracking, shift adjustment)



Sensor Methods I



- Automated focusing
 - Idea: Evaluate image sharpness to adjust a focus
 - Response: Interactive.
 - Priority: High
 - Applications: All samples
 - Implementation example: Gradient based
- Automated frame-rate adjustment
 - Idea: Analyze displacements magnitudes to adjust acquisition rate.
 - Response: Interactive.
 - Priority: Middle
 - Applications: All samples
 - Implementation example: Normalized-Cross Correlation algorithm



Sensor Methods II



- Fast rejection
 - Idea: Evaluate amount of changes between frames to reject unchanged data
 - Response: Real-time.
 - Priority: Middle
 - Applications: very high frame rate, process cannot be triggered
 - Implementation example: Difference analysis, Histogram analysis
- Automated sample alignment
 - Idea: Perform object recognition, identify sample position to align it
 - Response: Interactive
 - Priority: Middle (or High?)
 - Applications: samples with distinct shapes (e.g. circular)
 - Implementation example : Feature detection, shape recognition



Sensor Methods III



- Automated alignment of axis of rotation
 - Idea: Evaluate projections taken from different rotation angles to adjust AOR
 - Response: Interactive
 - Priority: High
 - Applications: For all tomographic experiments
 - Implementation example: Difference analysis
- Global shift alignment (or Tracking)
 - Idea: Compute global shift to track an object or process
 - Response: Real-time
 - Priority: Low. But could be
 - Applications: follow foam expansion, follow flow front
 - Implementation example: Normalized-Cross Correlation algorithm



Sensor Methods IV



- General Optical flow
 - Idea: Compute correspondences between all the pixels of the subsequent image frames
 - Response: Offline
 - Priority: High
 - Applications: All samples, but not suitable as a Sensor method
 - Implementation example: Variational Optical flow methods

All motion-related Sensor methods could be derived from general OF method.

Could be used to test motion-related methods on realistic image sequences.



Simulated Sensor



Idea: Implement a simulated Sensor for development purposes.

Aspects to consider:

- Simulated output from different types of Sensor algorithms
- Communication between Sensor and Controller
 - Frequency of events (measures from Sensor to Controller)
 - Latency
 - Synchronization
 - Reliability (e.g. Acknowledgments between Sensor and Controller)
- Errors and exceptions handling

For Controller:

- Architecture: centralized, distributed, combined
- Multiple Controlling processes
- Common open-source libraries or frameworks

