Model Based Design of a Fuel Cell Vehicle

Efficient development of fuel cell simulation models

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- What is model based design?
- Example - Fuel cell vehicle
- Fuel Cell Systems Library - FClib
- What’s the message?
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**Development process**

Hardware Team

- Specification Design
- Hardware Implementation

Software Team (b)

- Specification Design
- Software Development

Software Team (a)

Model

Testing

Testing
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Model Based Design

- MBD we understand as
  - a development paradigm for control applications
  - guided by a process model

- MBD allows for ...
  ... early testing of control applications against a realistic process behavior
  ... process design optimizations before process implementation
  ... shortens your commissioning time dramatically
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The process: Fuel cell and drive train

Air supply and exhaust gas

Hydrogen

Electrical Power

Fuel cell stack

H₂ tank

H₂ recirculation

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The process model – top level view
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The process model – developed using libraries
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Process model: features

- Model contains multiple physical domains
  - thermodynamic components
  - reaction chemistry
  - mechanical components
  - electrical components

- Build using available library blocks for physical modeling

- Parameter can be adjusted to measurements

- System level modeling
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The controller model - detail
## Controller model: features

- PI-Controllers
- Feed forward controls
- State machines
- Signal supervision (alarm generation)
- Remanent data storage
- etc.
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Development process

- Model-in-the-loop
- Hardware-in-the-loop

![Diagram showing the development process with Model-in-the-loop (MiL) and Hardware-in-the-loop (HiL) components, including automatic code generation and process model.]
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**Model-in-the-loop**
- Classic approach:
  - replay static inputs to the controller
  - no reaction to controller outputs
- Closing control loops enables realistic testing
  - interaction between process model and controller
  - testing behavior at complex process failures
  - save testing environment

**Hardware-in-the-loop**
- e. g. Testing the final embedded hardware against a process model
- final I/O and communication
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Hardware-in-the-Loop

Development Environment
Host PCs
- plant model
- I&C (source code)

Realtime Environment
Target Hardware
- I&C
- HiL hardware
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Simulation Results – detail of a US06 cycle
What's the message?

- Design your controller using a process model! Do Model Based Design.
- Use Hardware-in-the-loop testing to verify your controller
- Use available libraries for system modeling!