Data-Driven Modeling: Two Methodological Generalizations

The present seminar focuses on the development of data-driven models. It describes two generalizations of the classical design of experiments (DoE) methodology, the long-standing data-driven modeling methodology of choice. The first generalization enables the design of experiments with time-varying inputs, called Design of Dynamic Experiments (DoDE). The second generalization enables the development of a dynamic response surface model (DRSM) when time-resolved measurements are available. We will discuss how both advances are able to contribute significantly to the modeling, optimization, and understanding of processes for which a knowledge-driven model is not easily at hand. We also argue that such approaches can be widely used in developing reduced-size meta-models, for online use in existing processes.

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