



Modelling and Tracker for Unknown Nonlinear Stochastic Delay Systems with Positive Input Constraints

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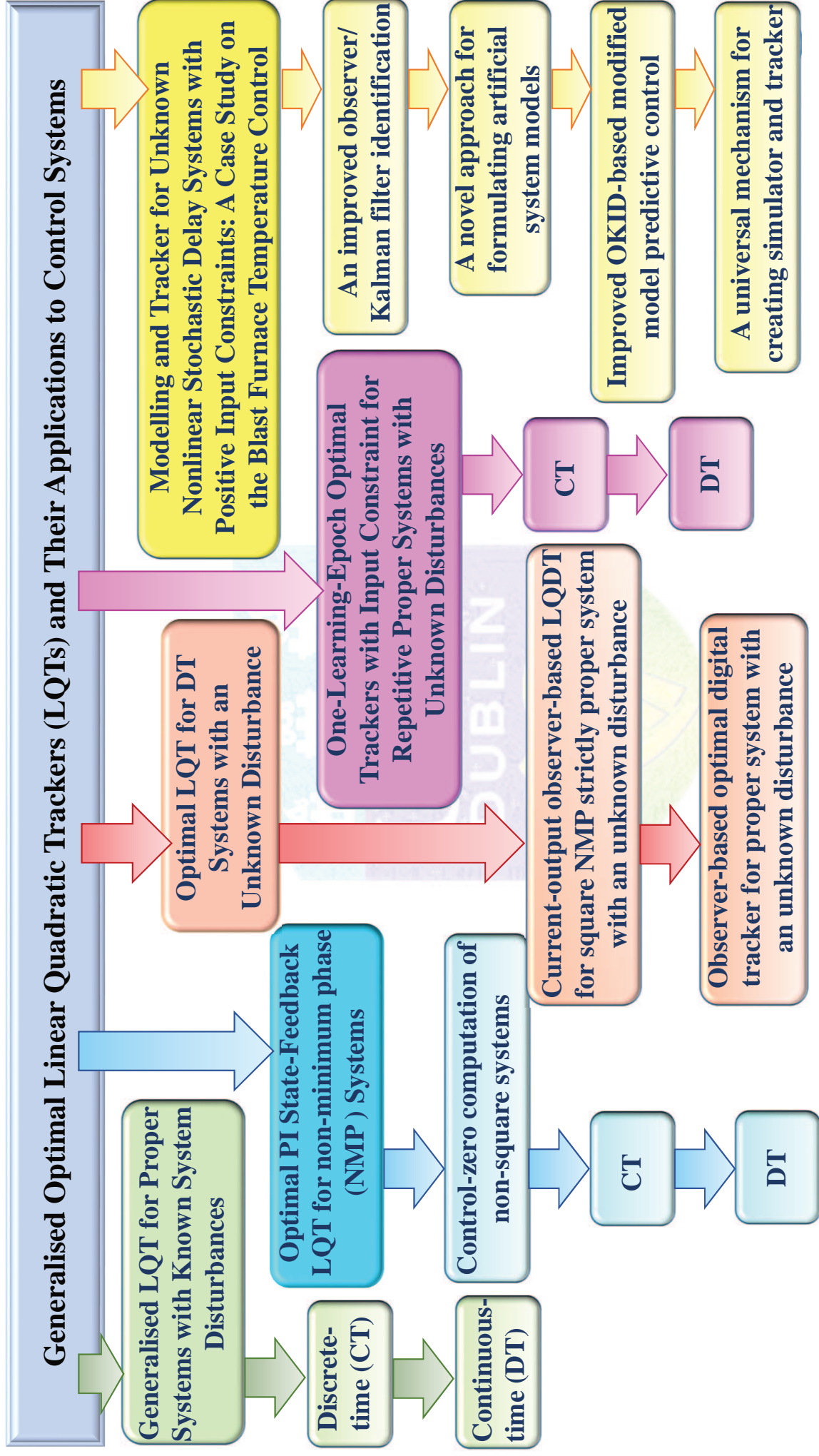
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Brief Overview of my Research Background





Our Research Strategy



Modelling and Tracker for Unknown Nonlinear Stochastic Delay Systems with Positive Input Constraints: A Case Study on the Blast Furnace Temperature Control [1]

An improved observer/Kalman filter identification

A novel approach for formulating artificial system model

Improved OKID-based modified model predictive control

A universal mechanism for creating simulator and tracker

A case study on the blast furnace temperature control

[1] Jason Sheng-Hong Tsai, Faezeh Ebrahimzadeh, Wen-Teng Hsu, Joseph Wei Tann, Shu-Mei Guo, Leang-San Shieh, Jose I. Canelon, Li Wang, “Modelling and tracker design for unknown nonlinear stochastic delay systems with positive input constraints,” *Applied Mathematical Modeling*. Vol. 40(23-24), pp. 10447–10479, 2016.

Our Contributions



An improved observer/Kalman filter identification



Well-performed output estimator

$$\hat{\hat{x}}_d(k | k) = G\hat{\hat{x}}_d(k-1 | k-1) + Hu(k-1) + K(k)[y(k) - C(G\hat{\hat{x}}_d(k-1 | k-1) + Hu(k-1))]]$$

$$\hat{\hat{y}}_d(k | k) = C\hat{\hat{x}}_d(k | k), \quad \hat{\hat{x}}_d(0 | 0) = C^\dagger E[y_d(0)]$$

$$P(k | k-1) = GP(k-1 | k-1)G^T + R_1$$

$$K(k) = P(k | k-1)C^T(R_2 + CP(k | k-1)C^T)^{-1}$$

$$P(k | k) = P(k | k-1) - K(k)CP(k | k-1)$$

$$K(0) = -F_t, \quad P(0 | 0) = R_0$$

A novel approach for formulating artificial system model

Well-performing
output estimation

Artificial
system model

Artificial system model

$$x_{a,d}(k) = Gx_{a,d}(k-1) + Hu_{a,d}(k-1) + K_{ss}e_{sys}(k)$$

$$y_{a,d}(k) = Cx_{a,d}(k) + e_{out}(k), \quad x_{a,d}(0) = \hat{x}_d(k_{ss} | k_{ss})$$

$$K_{ss} = K(k_{ss})$$

$$e_{out}(k) = y(k) - \hat{y}_d(k|k)$$

$$e_{sys}(k|k-1) = y(k) - [y(k) - C(G\hat{x}_d(k-1 | k-1) + Hu(k-1))]$$

Improved OKID-based modified model predictive control

Well-perform
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Iterative MPC with
input constraint

Current output-based OKID method

Optimal control law

Input-constraint model predictive control

Current output-based OKID method

$$\hat{x}_{a,d}(k) = G_d \hat{x}_{a,d}(k-1) + H_d u_{a,d}(k-1) - F y_{a,d}(k)$$

$$y_{a,d}(k) = C \hat{x}_{a,d}(k) + e_{out}(k), \quad x_{a,d}(0) = \hat{x}_d(k_{ss} | k_{ss})$$

$$F = -(\tilde{G} P \tilde{C}^T)(\tilde{C} P \tilde{C}^T + R_o)^{-1}$$

$$\tilde{C} = CG, \quad \tilde{G} = G/\alpha, \quad G_d = (I + FC)G, \quad H_d = (I + FC)H, \quad 0 < \alpha \leq 1$$

Optimal control law

$$u_{a,d}(k) = -K_d \hat{x}_{a,d}(k) + E_d r(k+1)$$

$$K_d = (H^T P H + R_c)^{-1} H^T P G$$

$$E_d = (H^T P H + R_c)^{-1} H^T [I - (G - H K_d)^T]^{-1} C^T Q_c$$

Improved OKID-based modified model predictive control (Cont.)

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Input-constraint MPC

Improved OKID-based modified MPC with positive input constraint

$$U(k) = \left(\bar{\Phi}_o^T Q_c \bar{\Phi}_o + R_c + M^T W(k) M \right)^{-1} \left[\bar{\Phi}_o^T Q_c \left(R_s(k) - \bar{F}_o^T \hat{x}(k) \right) + M^T W(k) \bar{N} \right] + U_E$$

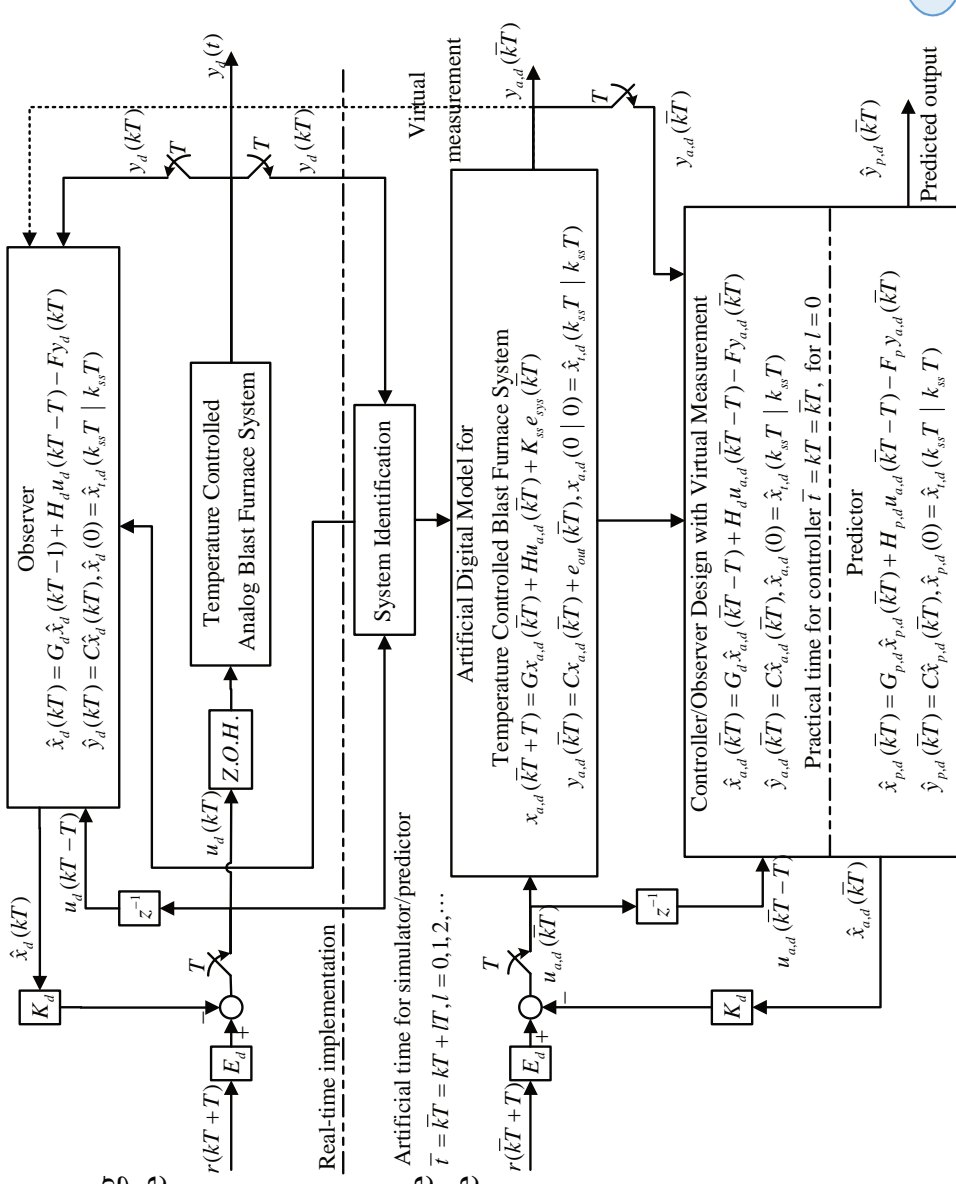
$$\bar{N} = \begin{bmatrix} -(U^{\min} - U_E) \\ U^{\max} - U_E \end{bmatrix}, M = \begin{bmatrix} I_{mN_c} \\ -I_{mN_c} \end{bmatrix}, N = \begin{bmatrix} U^{\max} \\ -U^{\min} \end{bmatrix}, \Delta U = U - U_E, U_E = E[U], U(k) = [u(k) \ u(k+1) \ u(k+2) \dots u(k+N_c-1)]^T$$

$$\bar{F}_o = \left(I_{pN_p \times pN_p} + \Gamma_o \right)^{-1} F_o, \quad \bar{\Phi}_o = \left(I_{pN_p \times pN_p} + \Gamma_o \right)^{-1} \Phi_o, \quad F_o = \begin{bmatrix} C_d G_d & C_d G_d^2 & C_d G_d^3 & \dots & C_d G_d^{N_p} \end{bmatrix}^T$$

$$\Phi_o = \begin{bmatrix} C_d H_d & 0_{p \times m} & 0_{p \times m} & \dots & 0_{p \times m} \\ C_d G_d H_d & C_d H_d & 0_{p \times m} & \dots & 0_{p \times m} \\ C_d G_d^2 H_d & C_d G_d H_d & C_d H_d & \dots & 0_{p \times m} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ C_d G_d^{N_p-1} H_d & C_d G_d^{N_p-2} H_d & C_d G_d^{N_p-3} H_d & \dots & C_d G_d^{N_p-1} L_d \end{bmatrix}, \quad \Gamma_o = \begin{bmatrix} C_d L_d & 0_{p \times p} & 0_{p \times p} & \dots & 0_{p \times p} \\ C_d G_d L_d & C_d L_d & 0_{p \times p} & \dots & 0_{p \times p} \\ C_d G_d^2 L_d & C_d G_d L_d & C_d L_d & \dots & 0_{p \times p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ C_d G_d^{N_p-1} L_d & C_d G_d^{N_p-2} L_d & C_d G_d^{N_p-3} L_d & \dots & C_d L_d \end{bmatrix}$$

Schematic diagram of the proposed control system

§ Check the performance is obtained during the pre-study phase, implement the controller to the blast furnace



§ Infill those lost and/or not reasonable practical output measurements during the operation phase

§ Predict future control parameters and output performance

A case study on the blast furnace hot metal temperature control

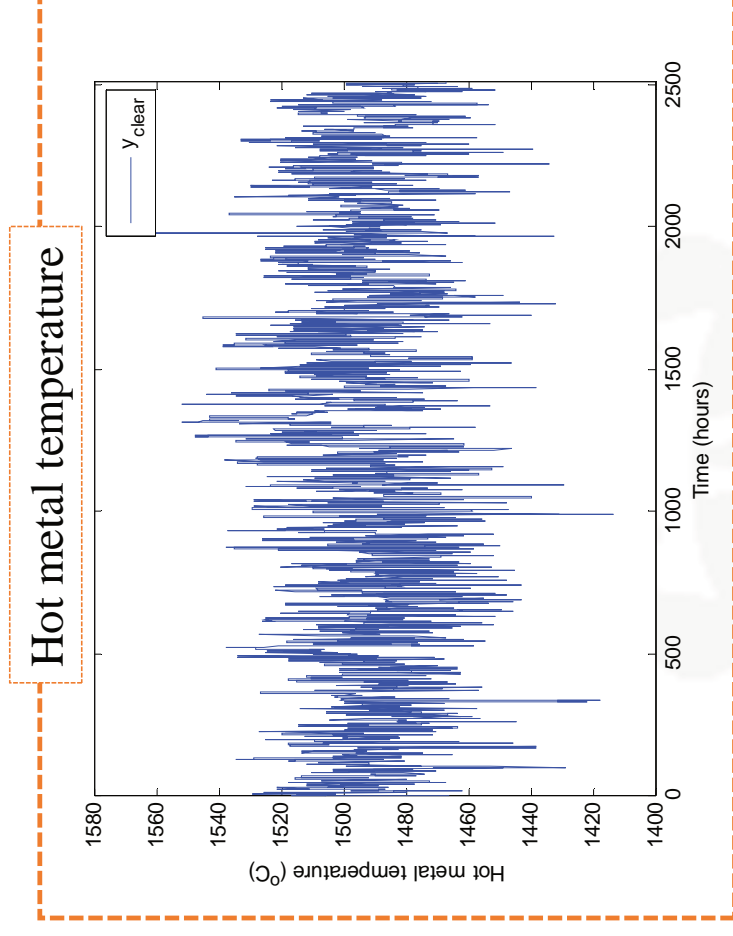
The operating conditions

$u_1(kT)$ (Blast volume) : 4,300 ~ 5,300 (Nm^3/min)
 $u_2(kT)$ (Blast pressure) : 1.9~3.6 (pounds per square inch)
 $u_3(kT)$ (Blast temperature) : 1,000 ~ 1,180 °
 $u_4(kT)$ (Blast moisture) : 15~33 (g / Nm^3)
 $u_5(kT)$ (Oxygen enrichment) : 0.1~3.5 (percentage)
 $u_6(kT)$ (Pulverized coal injection) : 60~180 (g / Nm^3)
 $u_7(kT)$ (Ore/Coke) : 3.6~5.0
 $u_8(kT)$ (Coke rate) : 330~430 (kg / thm);
 $y(kT)$ (Blast furnace liquid-iron temperature) : 1,400~1,600 °C

Design objective:

The output of the controlled system remains at the reference temperature $r(kT) = 1,500$ °C

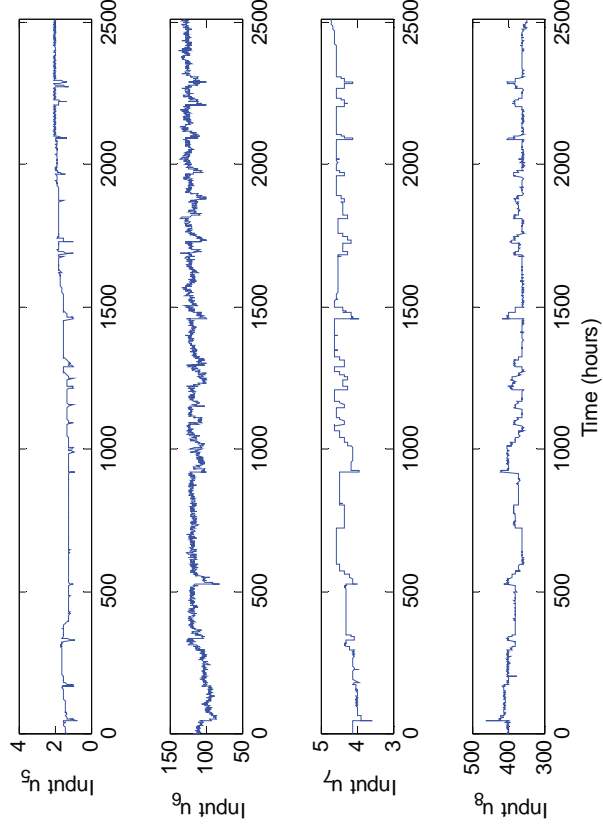
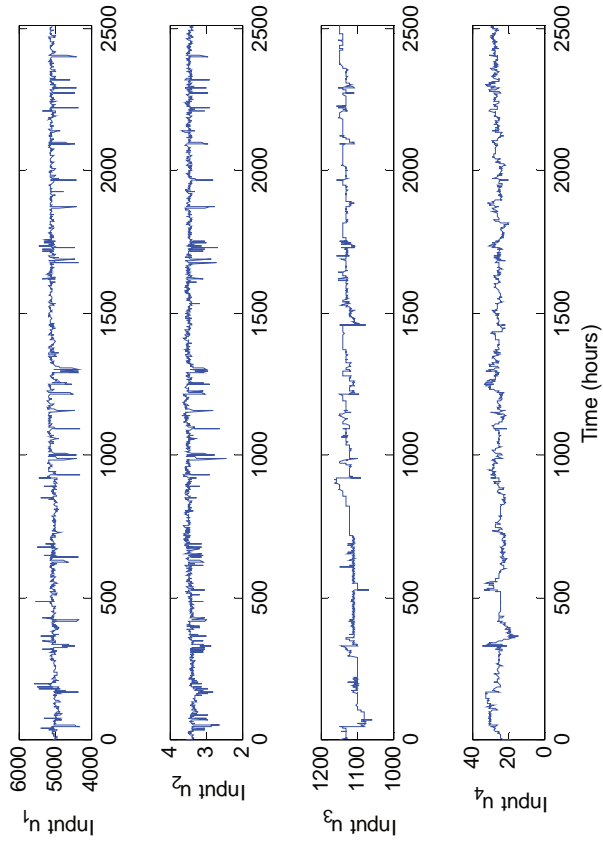
Cleaned data



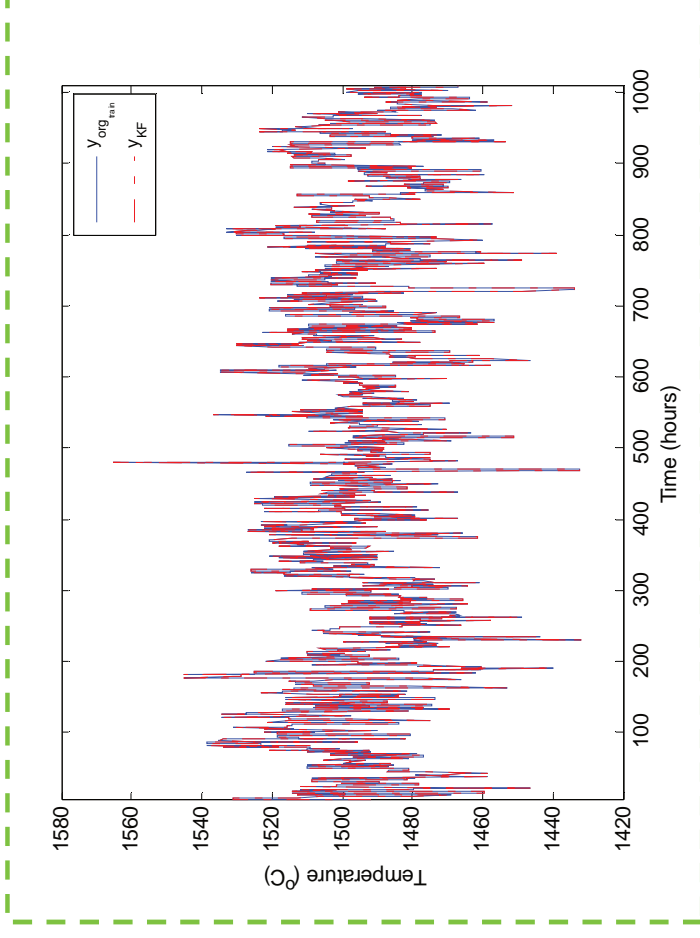
Hot metal temperature $y(kT)$
mean **1,494.504** °C and
standard deviation **19.668**

Cleaned data

Control inputs



Comparison between training data and output estimator



Training data

mean: 1,494.9149

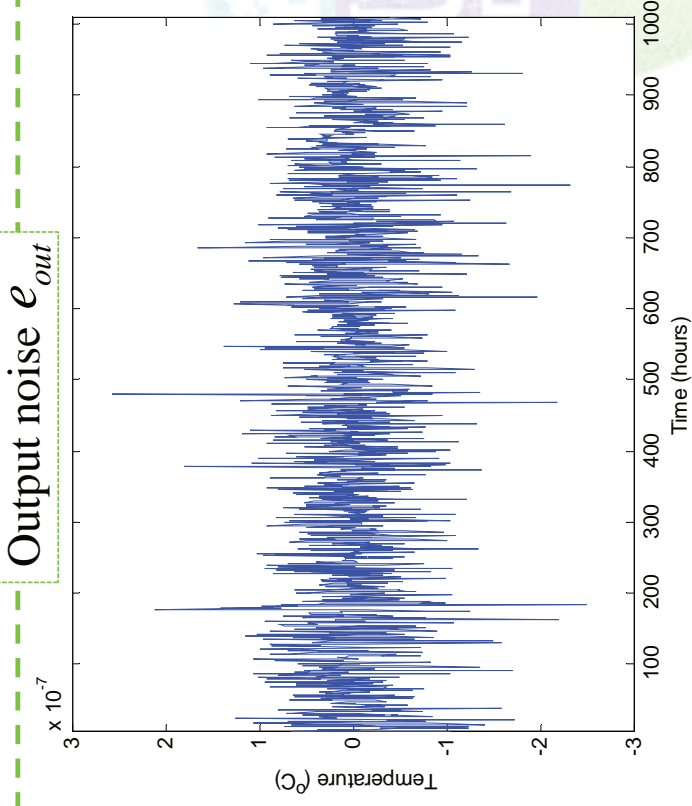
standard deviation: 18.42159

Output estimator

mean: 1,494.9149

standard deviation: 18.42159

Quantification of the dynamic characteristic

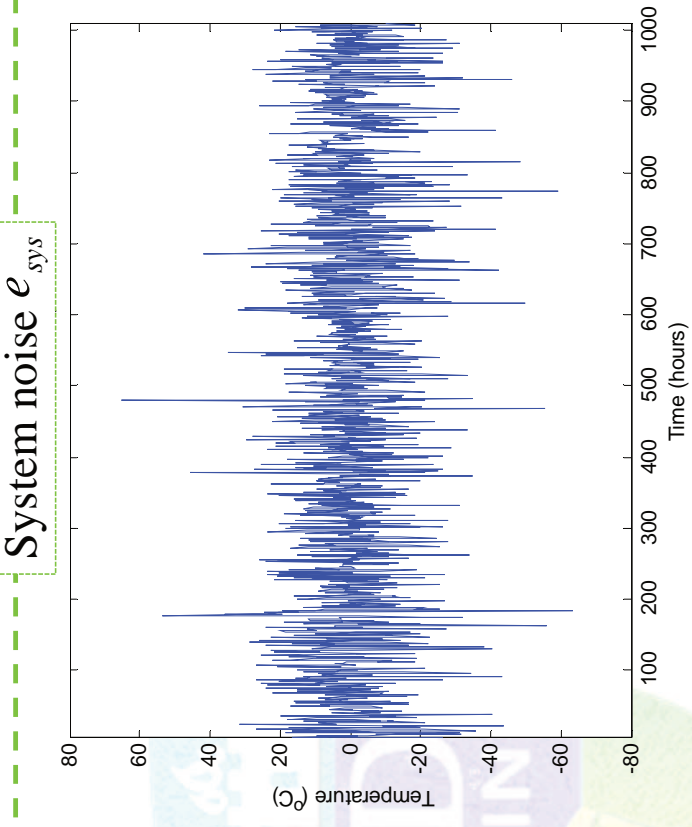


Mean: 2.24108×10^{-11}

Standard deviation: 4.8598×10^{-8}

Probability between $[-\sigma, \sigma]$: 72.3245%

Probability between $[-2\sigma, 2\sigma]$: 95.1717%



Mean: -0.00730

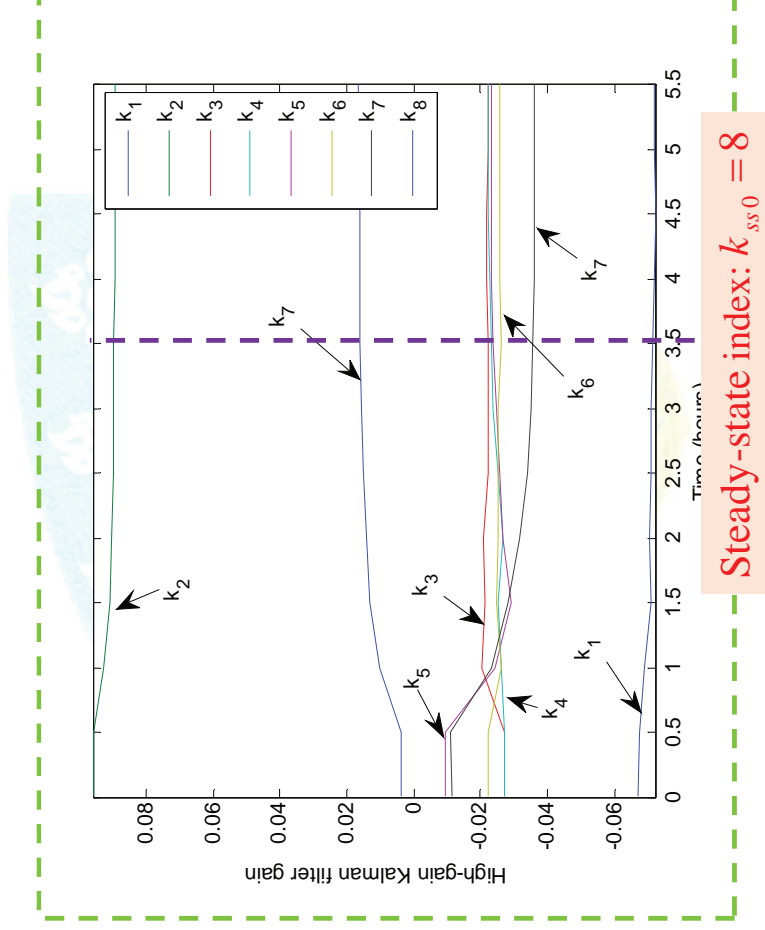
Standard deviation: 13.3067278

Probability between $[-\sigma, \sigma]$: 73.1209%

Probability between $[-2\sigma, 2\sigma]$: 95.2215%

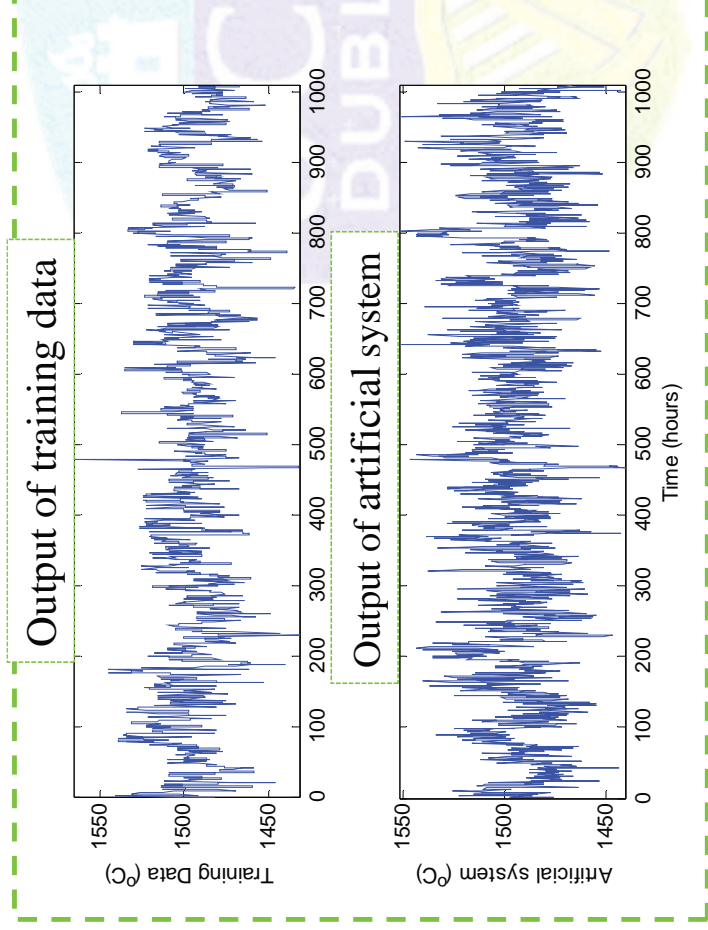
Kalman filter gain

$$\lambda(G - K_{ss} CG) = \{-0.6108, -0.3625 \pm 0.4205i, 0.5607 \pm 0.1641i, 0.002074 \pm 0.6353i\}$$



Comparison between the training data and the artificial system output

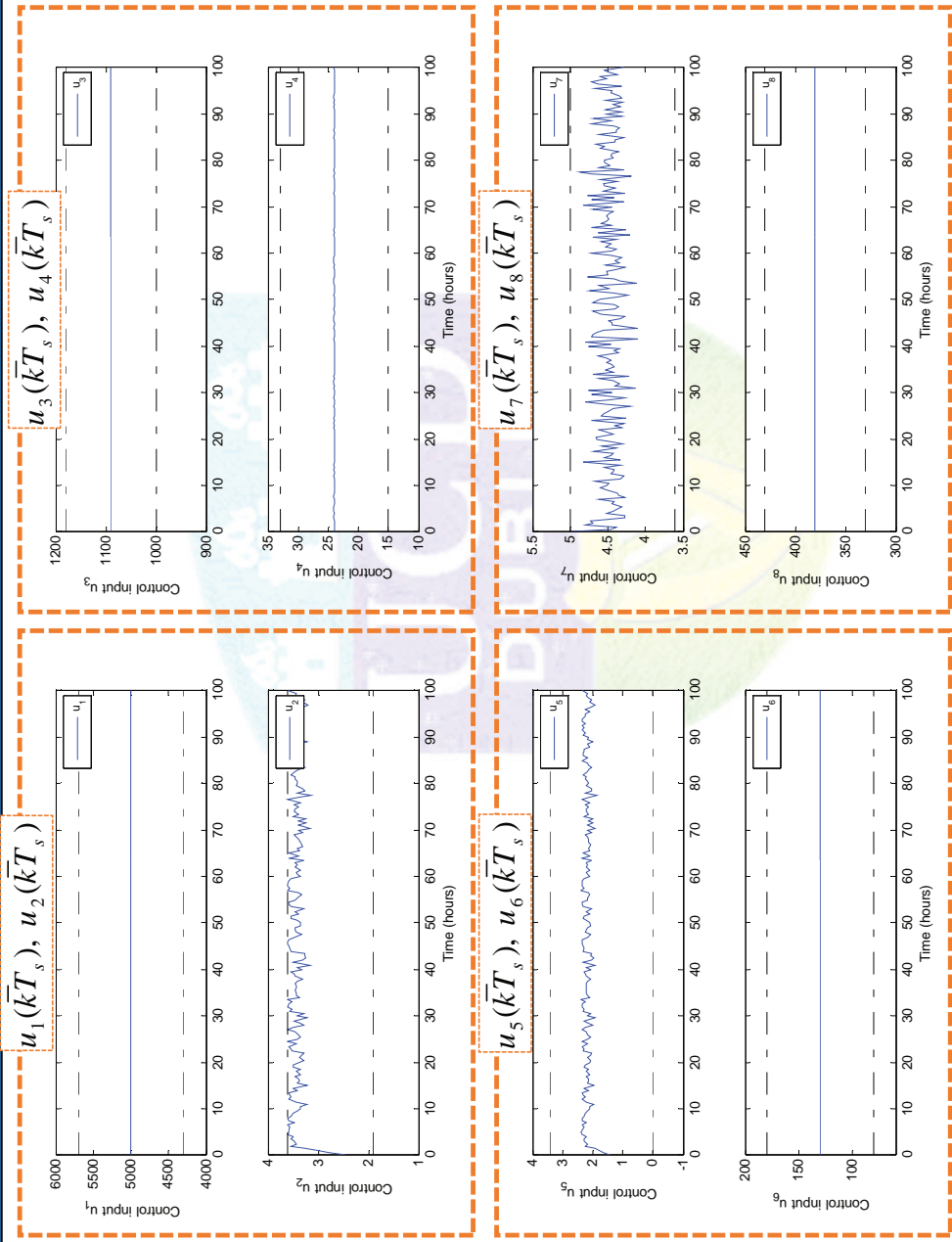
Same stochastic features of the constructed artificial model and of the practical system



Training data mean: 1,494.9149
Training data standard deviation: 18.42159

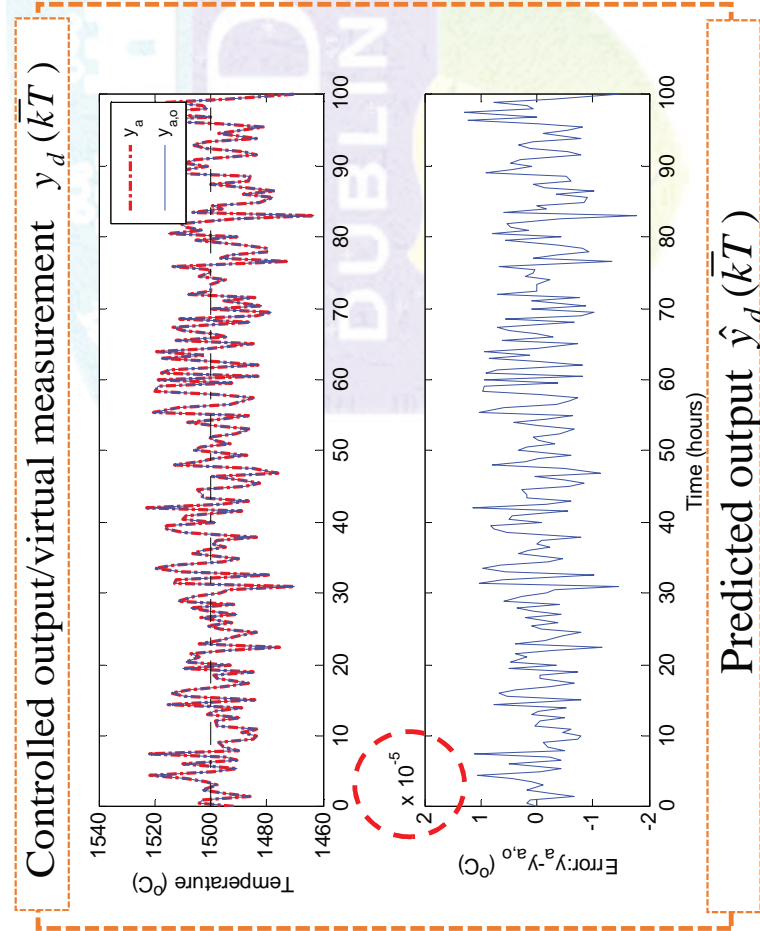
Mean: 1,495.1304
Standard deviation: 18.2517
Probability between $[-\sigma, \sigma]$: 68.6819 %
Probability between $[-2\sigma, 2\sigma]$: 95.6888 %

The predicted control inputs for the next 100 hours



Comparison between controlled output/virtual measurement and predicted output

Satisfactory prediction performance for the outputs over the next 100 hours



Controlled output/virtual measurement
mean: 1,499.6489
standard deviation: 10.984

Predicted output
mean: 1,499.6489
standard deviation: 10.984

Comparison between our proposed approach-based output and training data

Tracking performance improvement

40.374% of standard deviation improvement

Predicted output
mean: 1,499.6489
standard deviation: 10.984

Training data
mean: 1,494.9149
standard deviation: 18.42159

Conclusions and Future Direction



Development of an improved OKID method, which uses the current output measurement to estimate the current state,

Constructing a well-performed system output estimator based on the current output-based Kalman filter

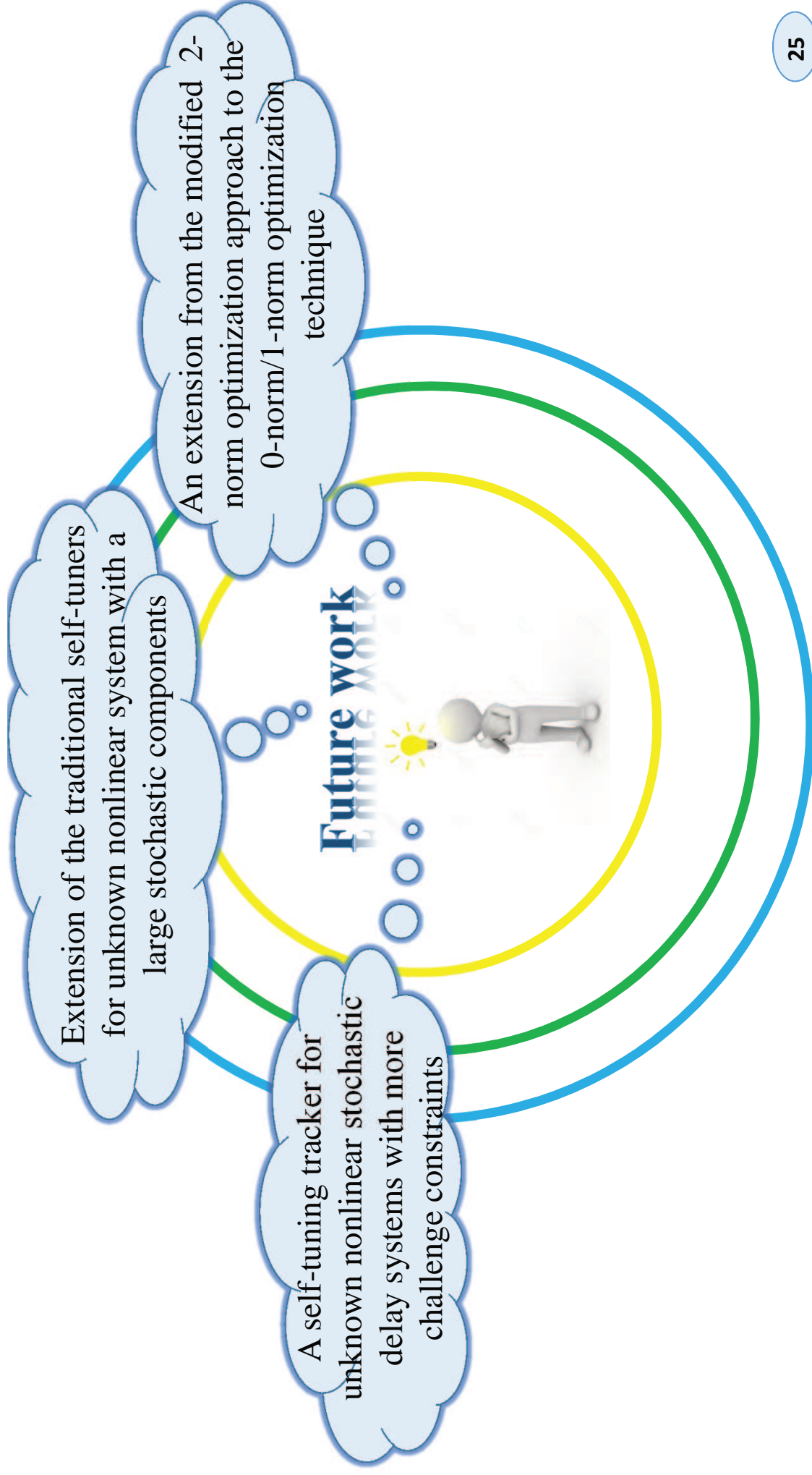
Formulating a universal approach for artificial system models, based the current output-based Kalman filter

Conduction of quantitative analysis to determine the stochastic and deterministic components of the system of interest

Development of a modified observer-based MPC with positive input constraint for the unknown nonlinear time-delay stochastic system with input constraints

Development of a universal mechanism for creating simulator and tracker design for positive input-constrained unknown nonlinear input time-delay stochastic sampled-data systems

Studying the operation of a temperature controlled real nonlinear input time-delay blast furnace process





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