Monitoring of a trajectory in industrial grade transition

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Abstract

Many continuous industrial processes will operate in different steady states that produce products with different grades or event different products. The switching between two steady states is called transition. Transition consists of a series of operation changes that should be carry out in proper order, within certain magnitudes and time window. Faulty operation may lead to increase in inferior products, or more importantly, hazard events. Monitoring of the transition process is desired. In this work, a transition identification and monitoring scheme is proposed based on slow feature analysis (SFA). Two monitoring statistics which represent the location of the trajectory and the speed of transition are proposed. Using a numerical example, and the mode 4-to-2 transition of the Tennesse-Eastman process which exhibits catastrophic failure, operating faults were generated based on the guidewords of HAZOP. In addition to missed detection rate and false alarm rate, an early detection performance index was introduced. The advantages of proposed method were benchmarked against a stage-based principle component analysis approach using these indices. transition monitoring, operating faults, transition identication, trajectory-based method

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