#### Modelling and Information Entropy of Design Spaces

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# **Extended System Simulation**

- Connectivity, co-simulation, multi-core, FMU etc.
- Simulation based optimization
- Design analytics
  - I.e. sensitivity analysis, correlation analysis, robustness, complexity metrics, etc.
  - Methods for experimental validation
- Parametrization for design.

– Analytic parametrization, and reduction

• Test case modelling and management



## **Extended System Simulation**





# **Information Theory**

 Claude Shannons ground breaking work.



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	A Mathematical Theory of Communication
	By C. E. SHANNON
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# Applications

- Product Platforms
- Complexity of Computer Programs
- Logic Hardware Design
- Human factors
- Search Theory
- Axiomatic Design
- System Design
- Optimizaton



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# Amount of Information content (Information Entropy)

The differential information entropy for continuous signals, defined by Shannon [1] as:  $H = -\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(x) \log_2(p(x)) dx$ Kullback-Leibler divergence  $H_{rel} = -\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(x) \log_2(\frac{p(x)}{m(x)}) dx$ Generalized  $H_{rel} = -\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} L \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(x_1 K x_n) \log_2(\frac{p(x_1 K x_n)}{m(x_1 K x_n)}) dx_1 L dx_n$ 



# Amount of Information content (Information Entropy)

If the distribution m(x) is a rectangular distribution in the bounded interval.

$$I_{x} = H_{rel}(x) = -\int_{x_{min}}^{x_{max}} p(x) \log_{2} (p(x)x_{R}) dx$$

Generalized  $I_{x} = -\int_{x_{1,\min}}^{x_{1,\max}} L \int_{x_{n,\min}}^{x_{n,\max}} p(x_{1}K x_{n}) \log_{2}(p(x_{1},K x_{n})x_{R1}L x_{Rn}) dx_{1}L dx_{n}$ 

More compact

$$I_x = \int_D p(\mathbf{x}) \log_2(p(\mathbf{x})D) dD$$



# Amount of Information content (Information Entropy)

The information content I of a variable (in bits).

$$I = -\int_{x_{\min}}^{x_{\max}} p(x) \log_2 \left( p(x) x_R \right) dx \qquad x_R = x_{\max} - x_{\min}$$

If the range  $x_r$  is divided in equal parts  $\Delta x$  the amount of information is:



Here  $\Delta x$  is the tolerance in x.





### The choice of logarithm as a base (Shannon)

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- The design space of a set of Lego bricks represents all combinations of arranging these bricks.
- With a set of only two bricks with four knobs on each there are 51 discrete possible arrangements
- Two of these represents picking only one brick. And one state is to pick no one.
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# Design Space with Both Continuous and Discrete Variables

- The position of the inserted axis represents a continuous variables
- The information entropy associated with that is dependent on the accuracy with which it is specified.

$$I_{x} = \log_{2} n_{Dstates} + \log n_{Cstates} + \log_{2} \frac{x_{R}}{\Lambda x}$$

 The axis can be in three position and If the position of the axis within one hole is specified within 10% the total information entropy is:

$$I_x = \log_2(51+3) + \log_2\frac{1}{0.1} = 8.2$$
 bits



# Information entropy in modular design



Design information entropy can be used as a measure of quality of product platforms for modular design. A good product platform should have little "waste" of design space.



# **Design Information**



- **Design information entropy**
- The amount of bits needed to specify a design within a design
- To specify one designs of the four



# **Design Information**

• To specify one designs of the four takes:

$$H_x = \log_2 \frac{S}{s} = \log_2 n_s = \log_2 (2 \times 1 \times 2) = 2$$
 bits

• The entropy of the constraint design space is

$$H_c = \log_2 n_v = \log_2 3 = 1.58$$



$$H_w = H_x - H_c = -\log_2 \frac{S_x / s}{S_c / s} = -\log_2 \frac{S_x}{S_c} = 0.42$$



# Morphological Matrix for concept selection

$$N_{s} = \prod_{i=1}^{n_{f}} n_{m,i}$$
$$N_{s} = \prod_{i=1}^{4} 3 = 3^{4} = 81$$

$$H_x = \log_2 N_s = \log_2 81 = 6.34$$
 bits

Increasing the number of rows by one:

$$N_s = \prod_{i=1}^4 3 = 3^5 = 243$$

$$H_x = \log_2 N_s = \log_2 243 = 7.92$$
 bits

The entropy increases linearly with number of rows.

Information Entropy gives a measure of complexity more consistent with experience!



	m <sup>1</sup>	m²	m³
f <sub>1</sub>	m1 <sup>1</sup>	$m_1^2$	$m_1^3$
f <sub>2</sub>	$m_2^1$	$m_2^2$	$m_2^{3}$
f <sub>3</sub>	$m_3^1$	$m_3^2$	$m_3^{3}$
f <sub>4</sub>	$m_4^1$	$m_4^2$	m4 <sup>3</sup>

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f <sub>2</sub>	$m_2^1$	$m_2^2$	$m_2^3$
f <sub>3</sub>	$m_3^{1}$	$m_{3}^{2}$	$m_{3}^{3}$
f <sub>4</sub>	m4 <sup>1</sup>	$m_4^2$	$m_4^3$
f <sub>5</sub>	$m_5^1$	$m_{5}^{2}$	$m_{5}^{3}$

#### Information Entropy of Morphological Matrix

In the general case there can be variable number of elements in each row.

$$N_s = \prod_{i=1}^{4} 4 \times 2 \times 3 \times 2 \times 3 = 144$$

$$H_x = \log_2 N_s = \log_2 144 = 7.16$$
 bits

	m <sup>1</sup>	m²	m <sup>3</sup>	m <sup>4</sup>
1	$m_1^1$	$m_1^2$	$m_1^3$	m1 <sup>3</sup>
2	$m_2^1$	$m_2^2$		
3	$m_3^1$	$m_{3}^{2}$	$m_{3}^{3}$	
4	m41	$m_4^2$		
5	$m_5^1$	$m_{5}^{2}$	$m_{5}^{3}$	



# Information Entropy and Complexity

According to Axiomatic Design the best designs are uncoupled

$$\left(\begin{array}{c}FR_1\\FR_2\end{array}\right) = \left(\begin{array}{c}X & 0\\0 & X\end{array}\right) \left(\begin{array}{c}DP_1\\DP_2\end{array}\right)$$

Functional requirements (Anatomy) Design parameters (Architecture)

If this is true. Design decision becomes independent of each other



#### Example: UAV Aircraft Concept Generation





Design elements	Alternative solutions								
Horizontal stabilization	Front (canard)	Aft	Aft tail integrated	Wing integrated					
Vertical stabilization	Central	Wing tip	Aft tail integrated	Upper	Lower				
Tail mount	Single fuselage	Twin boom							
Propulsion	Tractor	Pusher							

$$N_s = \prod_{i=1}^{n_f} n_{m,i} \qquad n_s = 4 \times 5 \times 2 \times 2 = 80$$

$$I_x = -\log_2 \frac{1}{N_x} = -\log_2 \frac{1}{80} = 6.32$$
 bit



# Aircraft Optimization

- For the aircraft example typical design parameters would be;
  - wing span, root cord, tapering, thickness, and sweep, structural weight, fuel weight, engine size, wing position, span of horizontal tail, cruise speed.



Design uncertainty as a function of design information



# Information entropy of design s relative to design space S





## Information increase in Optimization

Information entropy is estimated as

$$\hat{H}_{x} = -n\log_2\left(\max\left(\delta_{x,i}\right)\right) \qquad \qquad \delta_{x,i} = \frac{x_{i,\max} - x_{i,\min}}{x_{0,i,\max} - x_{0,i,\min}}$$



Figure 5. Accumulation of information as a function of number of objective function evaluations



# Meta object function

$$I_{tot} = (1 - P_{opt}) \log_2 \left(\frac{1 - P_{opt}}{1 - \varepsilon_x^n}\right) + P_{opt} \log_2 \left(\frac{P_{opt}}{\varepsilon_x^n}\right)$$

$$\phi^{(2)} = \frac{I_x}{N_m} = \frac{1}{N_m} \left( (1 - P_{opt}) \log_2 \left( \frac{1 - P_{opt}}{1 - \varepsilon_x^n} \right) + P_{opt} \log_2 \left( \frac{P_{opt}}{\varepsilon_x^n} \right) \right)$$

I expresses the total uncertainty, representing the sum of
uncertainty in location and

uncertainty of success







A system configuration is defined by its components and by how they are connected. The design space can this be expressed as:

$$N_x = N_s \times N_p \tag{9.35}$$

Here  $N_s$  is the number of possibilities for component selections, and  $N_p$  the number of possible ways to connect the components. The corresponding information entropy is:

$$I_x = \log_2 N_x = \log_2 N_s + \log_2 N_p \tag{9.36}$$





$$n_{s,tot} = 5$$

$$n = 4$$

$$N_s = 5^4 = 625$$

$$I_s = \log_2 N_s = 9.29 \text{bit}$$





Figure 9.10: System configuration of a simple hydraulic system.

Assuming apriori information that the system should contain one cylinder one pump and one tank and a library with variants of these

$$N_s = N_{cyl} \times N_{valve} \times N_{pump} \times N_{tank} = 6 \times 27 \times 6 \times 1 = 972$$

$$(9.43)$$

and hence

$$I_s = \log_2 N_s = \log_2 972 = 9.92 \tag{9.44}$$



# Connectivity



System										
components	Connectors	A	В	А	В	Р	R	Р	R	R
	А									
Piston	В									
	А	1								
	В		1							
	Р									
Servo valve	R									
	Р					1				
Pump	R									
Tank	R						1		1	

$$I_p = \frac{n_p \times n_p}{2} - n_p \tag{9.45}$$

Here  $n_p$  is the total number of ports in the system. For this example it is:

$$I_p = \frac{10 \times 10}{2} - 10 = 40 \tag{9.46}$$

The total amount of information is:

$$I_x = I_s + I_p \tag{9.47}$$

$$I_x = 9.92 + 40 = 49.92 \text{bits} \tag{9.48}$$

Figure 9.11: Connectivity matrix of a hydraulic servo.

# Growth of design information entropy during the design process





# Design space expansion

- The design information entropy can be increased in two ways
  - Refinement
  - Design space expansion
- Design space can be increased in several ways like:
  - Adding more bricks
  - Adding other types of bricks
  - Releasing more design parameters in a design

$$I'_{x} = \log_{2} \frac{x'_{R}}{\Delta x} = \log_{2} \left( \frac{n \times x_{R}}{\Delta x} \right) = \log_{2} n + \log_{2} \frac{x_{R}}{\Delta x} = \log_{2} n + I_{x}$$



### Design Space Generation and Parameter Reduction



#### Example: Electric Motor Data

Voltage [V]	max power [W]	speed at load [rad/s]	max torque [Nm]	volume [cm3]	mass [kg]	power intensity <i>k</i> <sub>p</sub> [kW/kg]	mean pressure (torque density) P <sub>m</sub> [bar]	power density ρ <sub>ρ</sub> [W/cm3]	torque intensity <i>k</i> <sub>7</sub> [Nm/kg]
8.4	210	1068	0.20	55	0.1716	1.22	0.04	3.84	1.15
8	320	1378	0.23	54	0.29	1.10	0.04	5.95	0.80
24	609	523	1.164	343	1.10	0.55	0.03	1.78	1.06
24	1440	450	3.2	729	2.4	0.60	0.04	1.98	1.33
24	3580	471	7.6	729	3.9	0.92	0.10	4.91	1.95
50	15992	419	38.20	4539	9.36	1.71	0.08	3.52	4.08
460	73763	175	420.74	23487	215.00	0.34	0.18	3.14	1.96
460	198499	215	922.87	86524	215.00	0.92	0.11	2.29	4.29
460	491751	175	2813.33	165518	907.00	0.54	0.17	2.97	3.10
					Average				
					values	0.88	0.09	3.38	2.19



# Power to weight relation (electric motor)



Prinicipal Component Analysis to minimize waste of design space (using Singular Value Decomposition, SVD)







#### $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{U} \times \mathbf{W} \times \mathbf{V}^{\mathrm{T}}$

Adding logarithmic scaling and removal of offset (set mean to zero) means that limits in U on set to -1 and 1 covers the data set within one standard deviation, and thus results points likely to be feasable.



### SVD model of Electric motors

	Reliance K22M13031	Estimate	Adjusted	Result	Average							SVD variables	w-diagonal	residual
Corner power [W]	491751	491744	5.69	1.99	3.70	-1.163	0.130	-0.022	0.007	0.000	-0.001	-1.66	8.43	1.86
Speed at load [rad/s]	175	175	2.24	-0.46	2.70	0.331	0.122	-0.021	-0.031	0.000	0.005	0.39	0.62	0.20
Max Torque [Nm]	2813	2813	3.45	2.44	1.01	-1.494	0.008	-0.001	0.038	0.000	-0.005	-0.56	0.44	0.17
diameter [mm]	446	446	2.65	0.63	2.02	-0.384	0.005	0.064	0.007	0.000	0.028	-0.99	0.21	0.10
volume [cm3]	165518	165516	5.22	2.06	3.16	-1.256	-0.018	0.084	-0.036	0.000	-0.011	-1.01	0.00	0.07
mass [kg]	907	907	2.96	2.21	0.75	-1.298	-0.079	-0.085	-0.025	0.000	0.010	1.05	0.10	0.07



## Example of Design Space for Parametrization: Aircraft Wing Planform



	b	cr	ct	S	AR	λ
AN225	88.4	16.5122	3.96293	905	8.63487	0.24
A380	79.75	17.6594	3.53187	845	7.5267	0.2
A320	34.09	5.99394	1.19879	122.6	9.47902	0.2
Gulfstream IV	23.7	5.73191	1.71957	88.3	6.36116	0.3
U2	32	4.83333	0.966667	92.8	11.0345	0.2
F-16	9.96	4.47711	1.11928	27.87	3.55944	0.25
Mirage 2000	9.13	8.5537	0.427685	41	2.0331	0.05
Cessna 172	11	1.59214	1.35332	16.2	7.46914	0.85
Max value	88.4	17.6594	3.96293	905	11.0345	0.85
Min value	9.13	1.59214	0.427685	16.2	2.0331	0.05



# Design space of alternative parameters, with log-axis





## Design space of SVD- parameters, with logaxis





# **Design Space Volumes**

Parameter set	Design space volume
b, cr, ct	0.914
S,AR,I	0.877
SVD	0.25

$$H_{w} = H_{1} - H_{2} = \log_{2} \frac{S_{1} / s}{S_{2} / s} = \log_{2} \frac{S_{1}}{S_{2}} = \log_{2} \frac{0.914}{0.25} = 1.87$$
 bits



# Conclusions

- **Design information entropy** represents a measure of the precision by which *a design* is defined relative to the *design space* in consideration. It is also proportional to the dimensionality of the design problem.
- Design information entropy can be used as one measure of **complexity**.
- "Thinking outside the box" is the task of finding useful directions to expand the design space.
- Analytical parametrization through SVD of a design can be made using sample designs to span the design space. It can also be used to produce scaling models of components. In some sense it can be regarded as the *ideal parameter set*.

