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CPSE Summer School Optimisation under uncertainty



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1 Welcome Address

On behalf of the Centre for Process Systems Engineering (CPSE), we would like to welcome all the students, experts and student mentors to this inaugural CPSE Summer School. We hope that you find the technical programme to be of value and that you enjoy the summer school atmosphere as a whole.

Globally, we are beginning to see process systems engineering (PSE) concepts being used in a panoply of industry and social applications around the globe, and in particular the facility of this discipline to quantitatively describe complex systems under uncertain conditions is of increasing value in our world today. We hope, therefore, that you will find this introductory programme to optimisation under uncertainty encouraging and of great value – be it when you start to look for a career in the near future or when facing challenging optimisation problems in your organisation.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the commitment and significant support offered by the sponsors and hosts, without whom this event would not be possible:



Finally, we would like to extend our thanks to the hosts, the Department of Chemical Engineering at Imperial College London, for all their assistance in helping to develop this event and in arranging the local logistics.

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2 Detailed Schedule of the Summer School

Time	Monday 3 rd	Tuesday 4 th	Wednesday 5 th	Thursday 6 th	Friday 7 th
9:00 - 10:30		Ali Mesbah (P1)	Alexander Mitsos (P1)	Boris Houska (P1)	PSE@ ResearchDay UK
10:30 - 11:00		Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break	
11:00 - 12:30		Ali Mesbah (P2)	Alexander Mitsos (P2)	Boris Houska (P2)	
12:30 - 14:30		Lunch Break	Lunch Break	Lunch Break	
14:30 - 16:00		Panos Parpas (P1)	Wolfram Wiesemann (P1)	Efstratios N. Pistikopoulos (P1)	
16:00 - 16:30		Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break	
16:30 - 18:00		Panos Parpas (P2)	Wolfram Wiesemann (P2)	Efstratios N. Pistikopoulos (P2)	
18:00 - 21:00	Registration, Welcome address & BBQ dinner				

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Maps of Imperial College can be found further below.

3 Speaker Information

Ali Mesbah

Arbitrary Polynomial Chaos for Uncertainty Quantification of Stochastic Nonlinear Systems

Traditional sample-based uncertainty propagation methods are generally computationally expensive for optimization applications. In this talk, we will introduce the concept of polynomial chaos, which has emerged as an efficient uncertainty propagation method for analysis, estimation, and control of nonlinear systems with probabilistic uncertainties. In particular, we will discuss arbitrary polynomial chaos (aPC) for quantification of probabilistic uncertainties with arbitrary measures (e.g., uncertainties with correlated multivariate or multi-modal distributions). We will demonstrate the application of aPC for the design and performance verification of model predictive control (MPC) and optimal experiment design problems for stochastic nonlinear systems.

Model Predictive Control under Uncertainty

Model predictive control (MPC) is the most widely used approach for optimization-based control of multivariable systems with state and input constraints. MPC relies on a model to predict the behavior of the system. Whether data driven or based on first principles, this model is uncertain to some extent, generally because of incomplete knowledge of the system. In this talk, we will discuss: (i) various robust and stochastic MPC formulations under model structure and parameter uncertainty, and (ii) how learning can be incorporated into MPC to reduce model uncertainty. The formulations and concepts will be demonstrated on several chemical engineering benchmark problems.

Ali Mesbah is Assistant Professor of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering at the University of California at Berkeley. Before joining UC Berkeley, he was a senior postdoctoral associate at MIT. He holds a Ph.D. degree in systems and control from Delft University of Technology. He is a senior member of the IEEE Control Systems Society and AIChE. He is on the IEEE Control Systems Society conference editorial board as well as the editorial board of IEEE Transactions on Radiation and Plasma Medical Sciences. He is the recipient of the AIChE's 35 Under 35 Award in 2017, the IEEE Control Systems Outstanding Paper Award in 2017, and the AIChE CAST W. David Smith, Jr. Graduation Publication Award in 2015. His research interests are in the areas of optimization-based systems analysis, fault diagnosis, and predictive control of uncertain systems.

Panos Parpas

Introduction to Dynamic Programming - The Curse of Dimensionality and Recent Developments

In the first part of the talk, we introduce fundamental concepts from dynamic programming such as the principle of optimality, closed/open feedback control and finite/infinite horizon problems. In the second part of the talk, we discuss recent developments for DP algorithms based on randomisation and aggregation. These algorithmic developments lie at the core of the recent success of deep neural network-based approximate methods in the AlphaZero program, which attained superhuman levels of play for the games of chess, Go, and others.

Panos Parpas is a Senior Lecturer in the Computational Optimisation Group of the Department of Computing at Imperial College London. Before joining Imperial College, he was a postdoctoral fellow at the MIT Energy Initiative (2009-2011). He is interested in the development and analysis of algorithms for large-scale optimisation problems.

Alexander Mitsos

Global Optimization of Hierarchical Programs: Bilevel and (G)SIP

The presentation gives an introduction into hierarchical programming in general and the global solution of problems belonging to that family in particular. Bilevel programs (BLPs) and (generalized) semi-infinite programs ((G)SIPs) and their distinguishing properties are introduced. Relations and reformulations between the different forms of hierarchical programs are given before recent advances in discretization algorithms for their global solution are presented. After a brief introduction into the general concept of discretization algorithms, recent advances in algorithms with guaranteed feasibility for SIPs are discussed. Furthermore, a method for the extension of discretization algorithms for GSIPs and BLPs to coupling equality constraints is presented. The presentation closes with application examples from current research in process and power systems engineering, which rely on the advances discussed previously.

Alexander Mitsos is a Full Professor (W3) in RWTH Aachen University, and the Director of the Laboratory for Process Systems Engineering (AVT.SVT), comprising 40 research and administrative staff. He also has a joint appointment at Forschungszentrum Juelich where he is a director of IEK-10 Energy Systems Engineering. Mitsos received his Dipl.-Ing from University of Karlsruhe in 1999 and his Ph.D. from MIT in 2006, both in Chemical Engineering. Prior appointments include military service, free-lance engineering, involvement in a start-up company, a junior research group leader position in the Aachen Institute of Computational Engineering Science and the Rockwell International Assistant Professorship at MIT. His research focuses on optimization of energy and chemical systems and development of enabling numerical algorithms.

Wolfram Wiesemann

Introduction to Robust Optimization

Traditionally, uncertainty-affected decision problems are solved by modelling the uncertain problem data as random variables and subsequently discretising the outcomes of these random variables. Although this is a very natural approach, it has several shortcomings: it requires the exact specification of the underlying stochastic process (which is rarely available in practice), and it results in a curse of dimensionality for dynamic (multi-stage) problems, which implies that the computation times grow exponentially with problem size. In this lecture, we review the rapidly growing literature on robust and distributionally robust optimization, which aims to alleviate the aforementioned shortcomings. A robust optimization problem specifies an uncertainty set that contains all possible values for the uncertain problem parameters, and it seeks the best decision in view of the worst parameter realization. A distributionally robust optimization problem, on the other hand, specifies an ambiguity set that contains all possible probability distributions that could govern the uncertain problem parameters, and it seeks the best decision in view of the worst probability distribution. Topics covered include the reformulation and solution of static and dynamic (distributionally) robust optimization problems as well as discrete robust optimization.

Wolfram Wiesemann is Associate Professor of Management Science and Operations as well as Fellow of the KPMG Centre for Advanced Business Analytics at Imperial College Business School, London. Before joining the faculty of Imperial College Business School in 2013, he was a post-doctoral researcher at Imperial College London (2010-2011) and an Imperial College Research Fellow (2011-2012). He was a visiting researcher at the Institute of Statistics and Mathematics at Vienna University of Economics and Business, Austria, in 2010, the Computer-Aided Systems Laboratory at Princeton University, USA, in 2011, and the Industrial Engineering and Operations Research Department at Columbia University, USA, in 2012. Wolfram's research interests revolve around the methodological aspects of decision-making under uncertainty, as well as applications in operations management, energy and finance.

Boris Houska

Robust Model Predictive Control

This lecture aims to give a concise overview of model predictive control (MPC) methods for both linear and nonlinear dynamic systems that are affected by external disturbances. We discuss strategies for formulating and approximately solving robust MPC problems in practice. In detail, we review and discuss convex approximations of linear robust MPC but then also move on to compare generic approaches based on min-max dynamic programming and scenario-trees as well as Tube MPC based on modern set-propagation methods. Because this lecture will have a strong focus on numerical methods and their practical implementation, we also review a number of existing software packages for set computations, which can be used as building blocks for the implementation of robust MPC solvers. Towards the end of this lecture, we will discuss how to implement robust MPC by using an automatic C-code generation strategy for real-time nonlinear model predictive control as implemented in ACADO Toolkit.

Boris Houska is an assistant professor at the School of Information Science and Technology at ShanghaiTech University. He received a diploma in Mathematics from the University of Heidelberg in 2007, and a Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering from KU Leuven in 2011. From 2012 to 2013 he was a postdoctoral researcher at the Centre for Process Systems Engineering at Imperial College London. His research interests include numerical optimization and optimal control, robust and global optimization, as well as fast model predictive control algorithms.

Efstratios N. Pistikopoulos

Multi-Parametric Optimization & Control

Model based multi-parametric optimization provides a complete map of solutions of an optimization problem as a function of, unknown but bounded, parameters in the model, in a computationally efficient manner, without exhaustively enumerating the entire parameter space. In a Model-based Predictive Control (MPC) framework, multi-parametric optimization can be used to obtain the governing control laws – the optimal control variables as an explicit function of the state variables. The main advantage of this approach is that it reduces repetitive on-line control and optimization to simple function evaluations, which can be implemented on simple computational hardware, such as a microchip, thereby opening avenues for many applications in chemical, energy, automotive, and biomedical equipment, devices and systems.

In this lecture, we will first provide a historical progress report of the key developments in multi-parametric optimization and control. We will then describe (i) the underlying theory of multi-parametric linear/quadratic programming, and its extensions to the mixed integer continuous case, (ii) the underlying theory of representing, posing and solving Model Predictive Control (MPC) problems with multi-parametric optimization algorithms and tools, (iii) an overview of Parametric OPTimization (POP) software toolbox, and PARAmetric Optimization and Control (PAROC) framework, which allows for the representation, modelling and solution of advanced control problems, the integration of design, control and scheduling, and classes of bi-level and tri-level optimization problems, amongst others. Applications in sustainable energy systems, process intensification, smart manufacturing and personalized healthcare engineering will be also briefly discussed.

Professor Pistikopoulos is the Director of the Texas A&M Energy Institute and an Eminent Professor in the Artie McFerrin Department of Chemical Engineering. He was a Professor of Chemical Engineering at Imperial College London, UK (1991-2015) and the Director of its Centre for Process Systems Engineering (2002-2009). At Texas A&M, he is also the Course Director of the Master of Science in Energy, the Director of the Gulf Coast Regional Manufacturing Centre, and the Texas A&M Principal Investigator of the RAPID Manufacturing USA Institute on Process Intensification, co-leading the Modeling & Simulation Focus Area. He holds a Ph.D. degree from Carnegie Mellon University and he worked with Shell Chemicals in Amsterdam before joining Imperial. He has authored or co-authored over 400 major research publications in the areas of modelling, control and optimization of process, energy and systems engineering applications, 10 books and 2 patents. He is a co-founder of Process Systems Enterprise (PSE) Ltd, a Fellow of AIChE and IChemE and the current Editor-in-Chief of Computers & Chemical Engineering. He is the past Chair of the Computing and Systems Technology (CAST) Division of AIChE and he serves as a trustee of the Computer Aids for Chemical Engineering (CACHE) Organization. In 2007, Prof. Pistikopoulos was a co-recipient of the prestigious MacRobert Award from the Royal Academy of Engineering. In 2012, he was the recipient of the Computing in Chemical Engineering Award of CAST/AIChE. He received the title of Doctor Honoris Causa from the University Politehnica of Bucharest in 2014, and from the University of Pannonia in 2015. In 2013, he was elected Fellow of the Royal Academy of Engineering in the UK.

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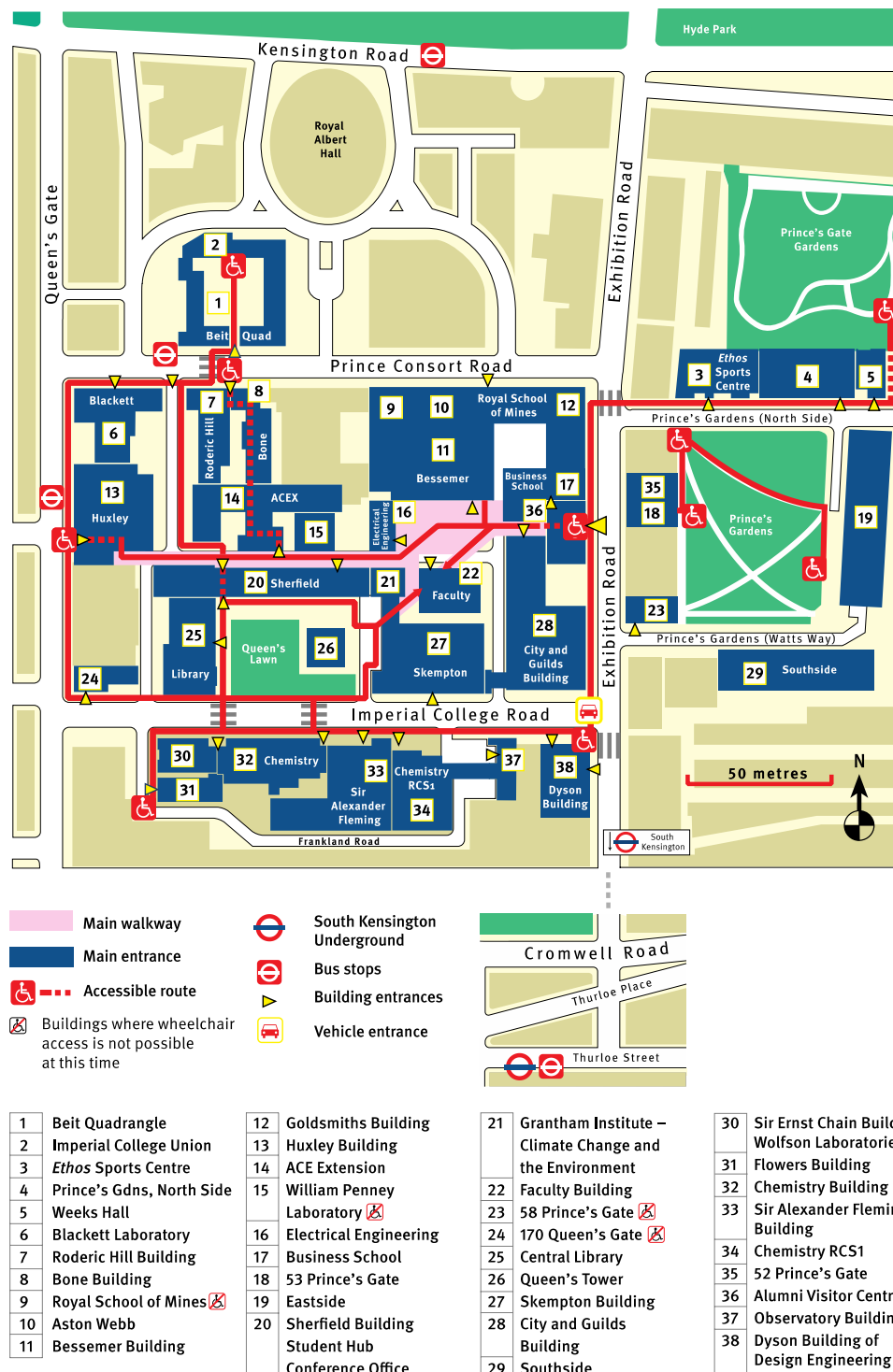
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5 Campus Map and Directions

Map of the South Kensington Campus of Imperial College London:



All lectures are taking place at Room 266, Level 4, Roderic Hill Building [7]. Please note, however, that the event on Monday evening takes place at 170 Queen's Gate [24].

Directions to Room 266, Level 4, Roderic Hill Building:

The easiest way to get to Roderic Hill Building is from the Sheffield walkway.

The entrance to ACEX is adjacent to the Union shop (selling stationery and clothing) and directly opposite a doorway into the senior common room.

Walking with the common rooms on your left hand side, you will eventually reach the entrance to the ACE Extension on your right hand side.



Walk through the ACEX's glass doors main entrance, up the short flight of stairs and zig-zag through to the foyer of Chemical Engineering. Ahead you will see into the control room of the Chemical Engineering pilot plant (a large pipework system visible beyond the control room).

Turn left, walking around-and-beyond the enclosed staircase, and into a long social area with seating under the windows. Head through towards the whole length of the breakout seating and go through the double doors at the end, into a corridor of offices.

Continue along the corridor through to the Department of Aeronautics.

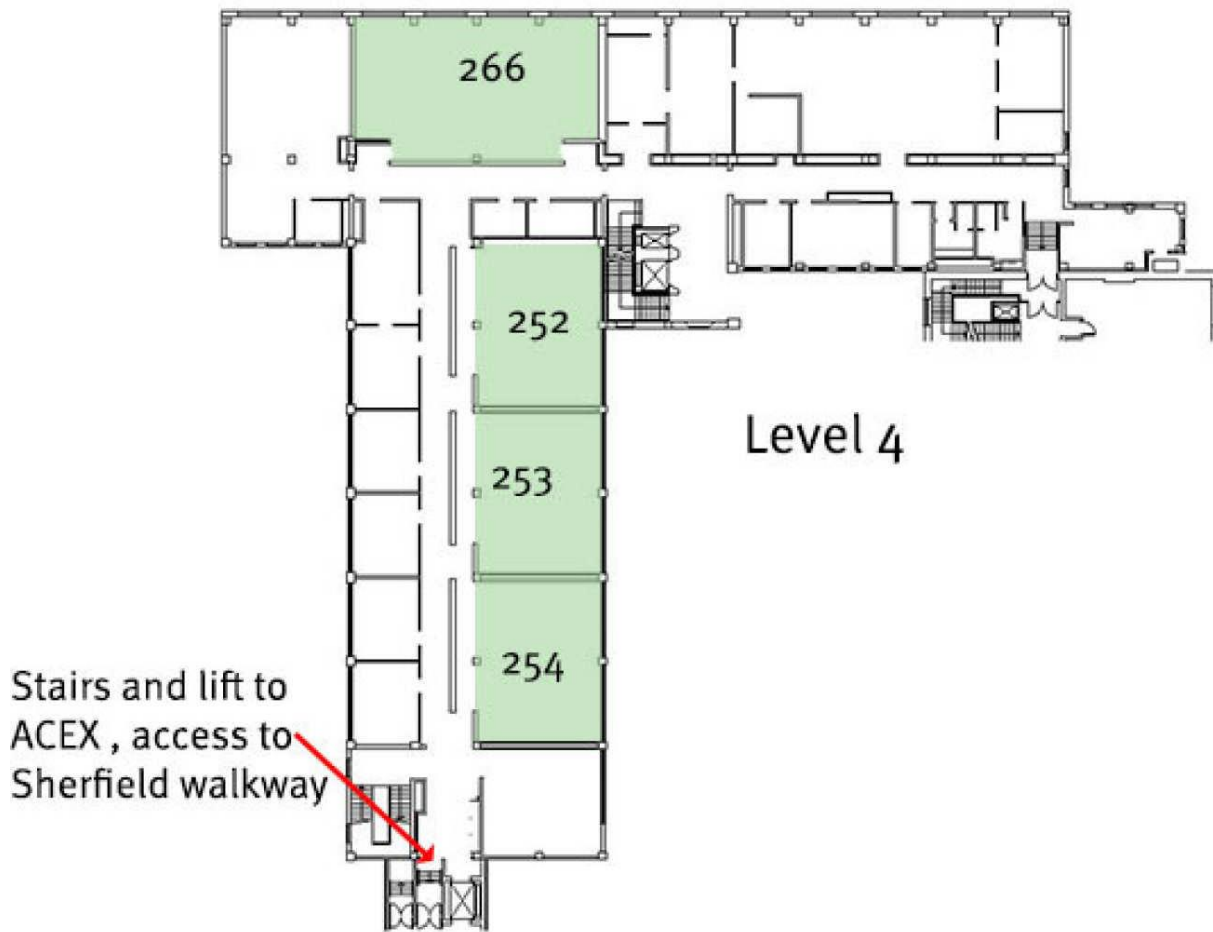
Follow the corridor around to the right. At the end, go through the left-hand set of double doors that connect the ACEX to a stairwell of the Roderic Hill Building, marked level 2.

Walk ahead through double doors into the corridor, along to the end and turn right. Room 266 is on the left hand side.



NB: The floor numbers are confusing - stairwell level 4 leads to RODH Building floor 2!

Floor Plan of Level 4, Roderic Hill Building:



6 Internet Instructions

To connect to eduroam at Imperial, please follow the eduroam instructions provided by your home institution. If your institution does not provide eduroam, please contact the conference organisers.

7 Lunch Locations Around Imperial

Imperial College offers several lunch options on campus: <https://www.imperial.ac.uk/food-and-drink/daily-menus/>. Moreover, there are several off-campus lunch options nearby. The restaurants and cafés highlighted in orange are within 10 minutes walking distance.

