

Model Predictive Control with Applications in Building Thermal Comfort Control

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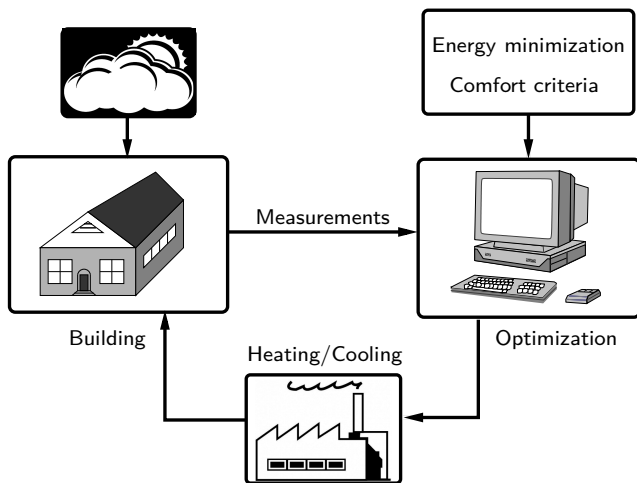
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Building Thermal Control Scheme



Objective function

$$\min_{u_0, \dots, u_{N-1}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \ell(x_k, u_k)$$

Constraints

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$$x_{\min} \leq x_k \leq x_{\max}$$

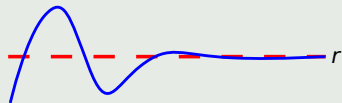
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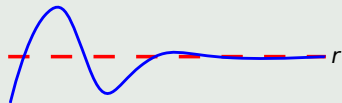
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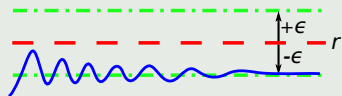
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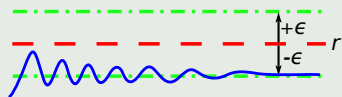
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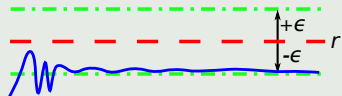
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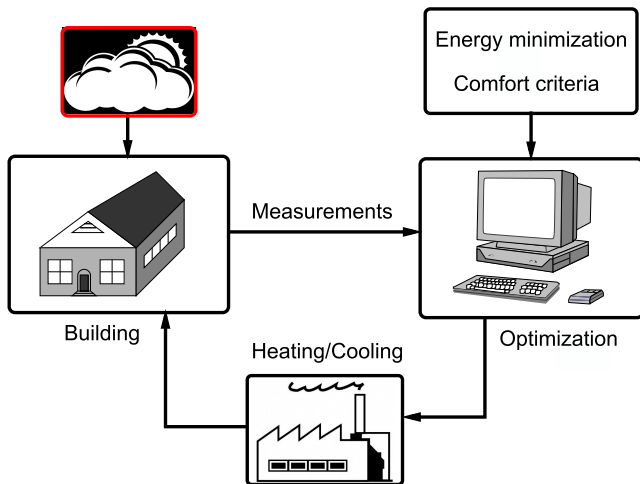


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Weather Predictions Problem



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Normal distribution of disturbances

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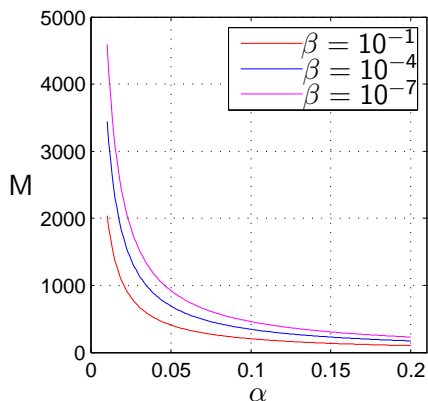
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Deterministic Realization of Probabilistic Constraints

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Finitely many deterministic constraints

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Single Zone Building Model

State (Measured) Variables

- x_1 – floor temperature
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- x_3 – external facade temperature
- x_4 – internal temperature

Controlled Variable

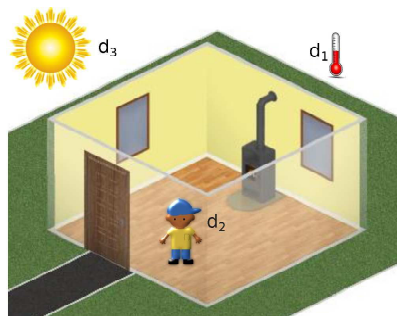
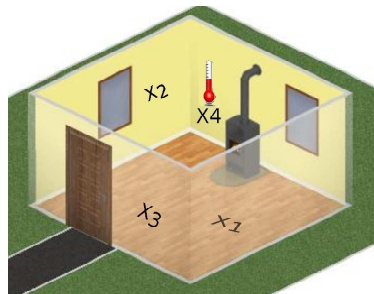
$$y = x_4$$

Measured Disturbances

- d_1 – external temperature
- d_2 – occupancy
- d_3 – solar radiation

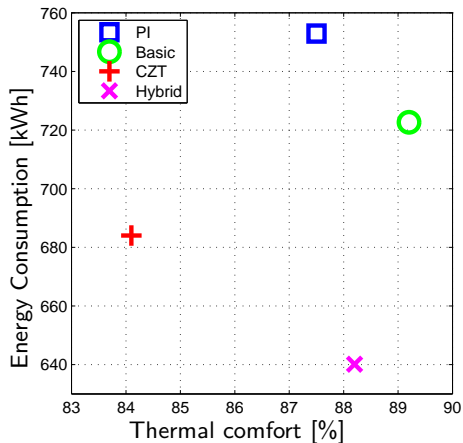
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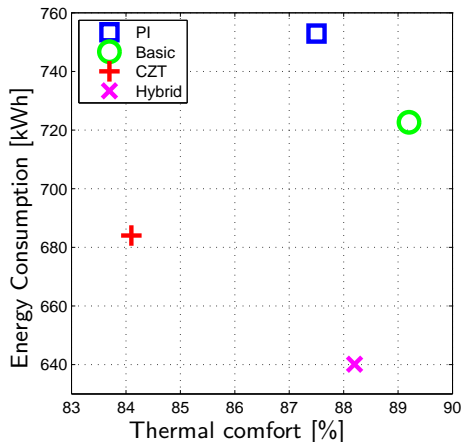
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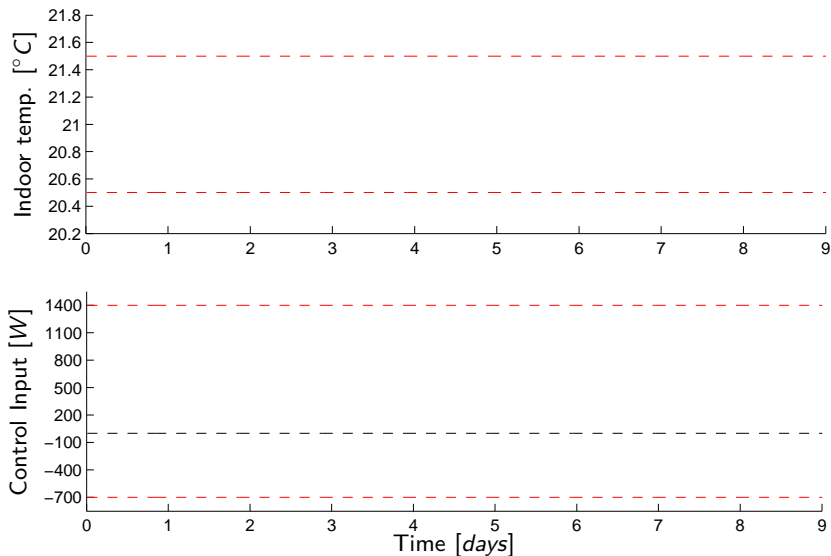


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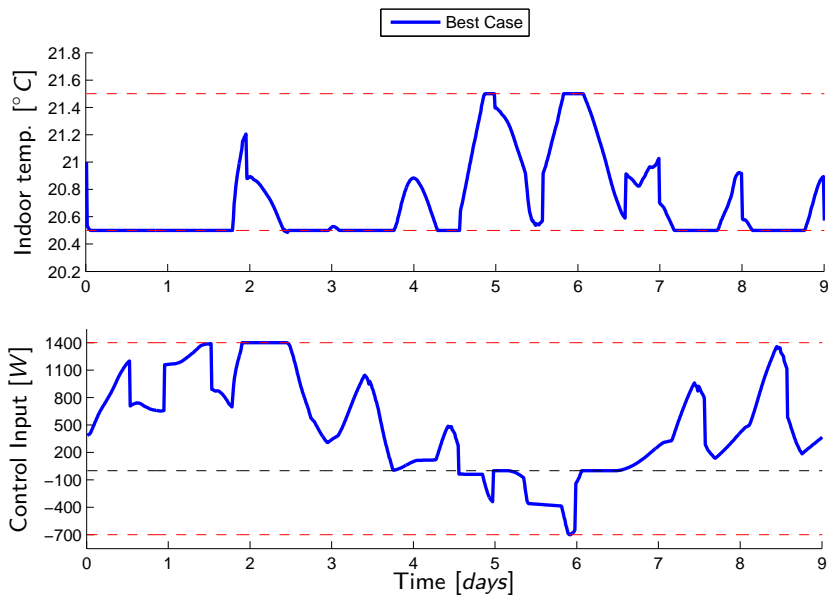
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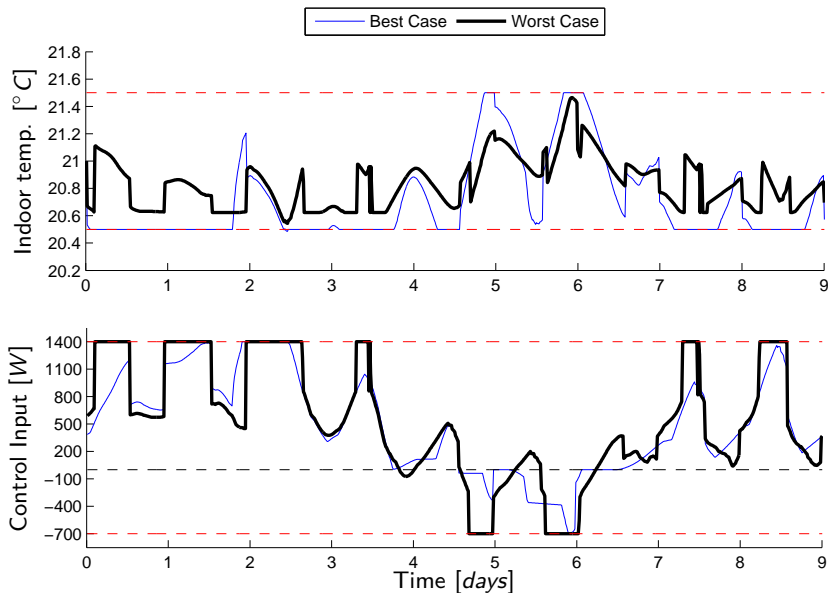
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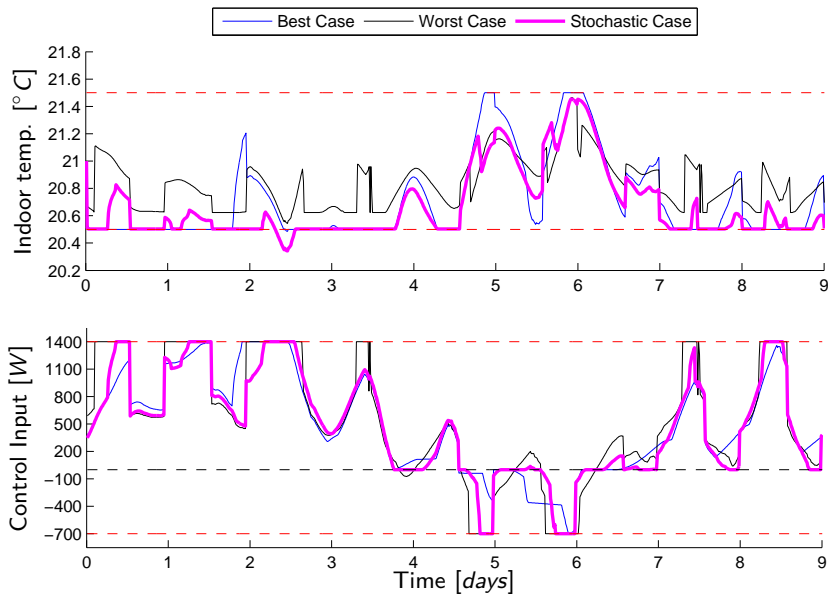
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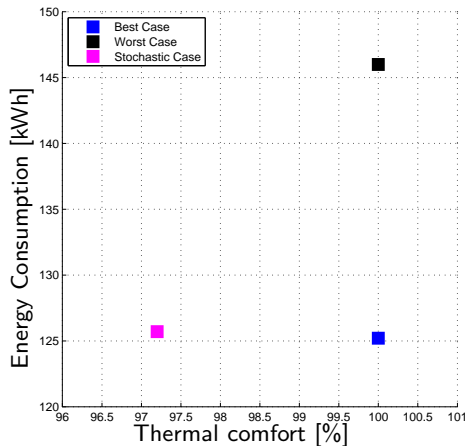


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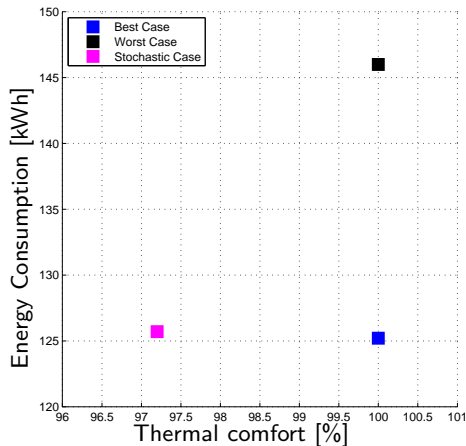
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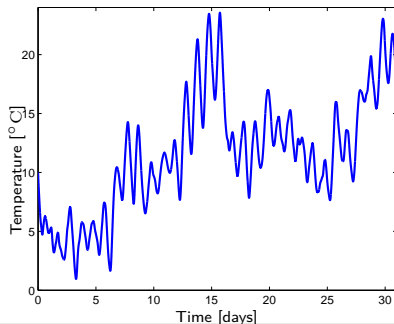
Discussion - Backup Slides

Simulation Study Deterministic MPC

Closed Loop Simulation Parameters

- Prediction horizon:
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- Sampling time:
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- Simulation time:
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Evolution of External Temperature

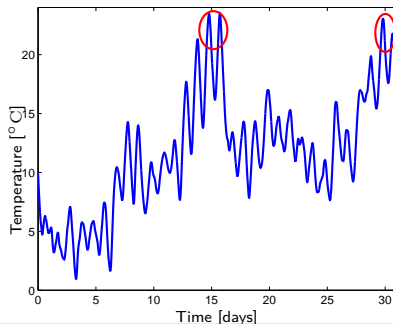


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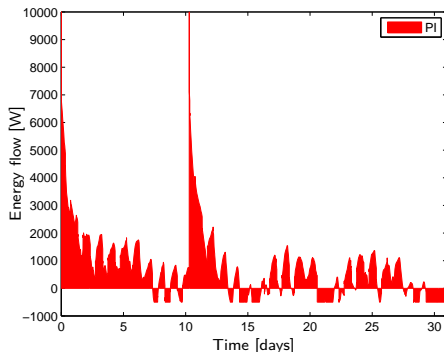
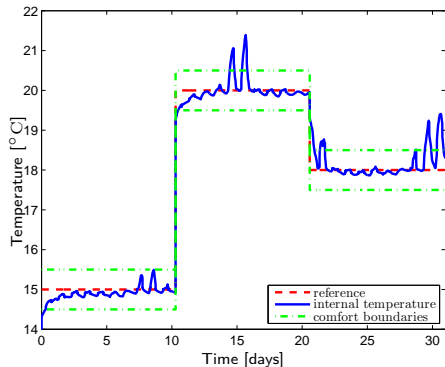
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PI Controller



Control strategy

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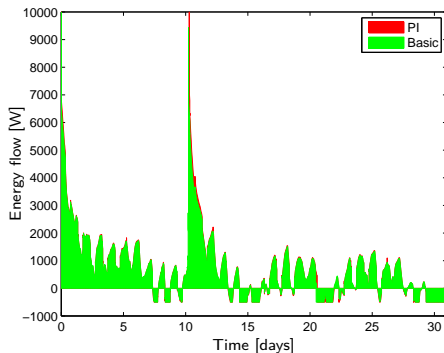
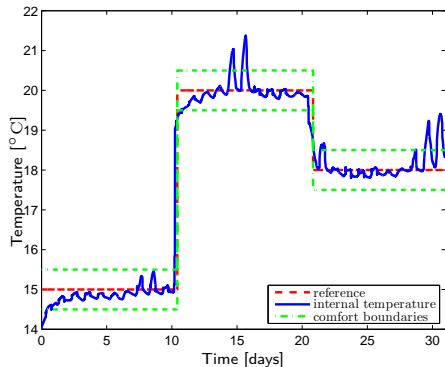
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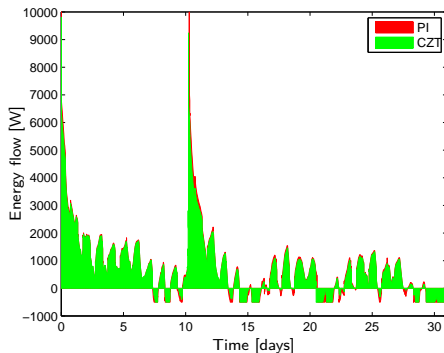
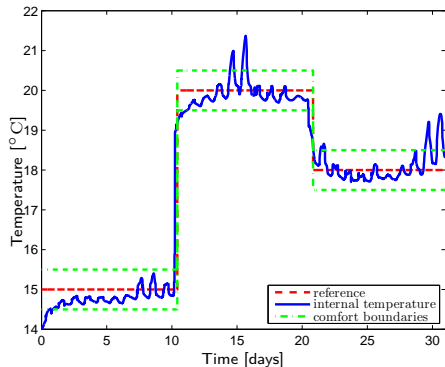
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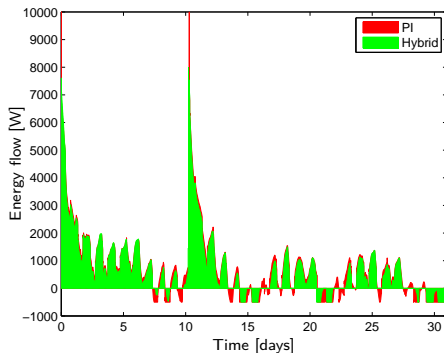
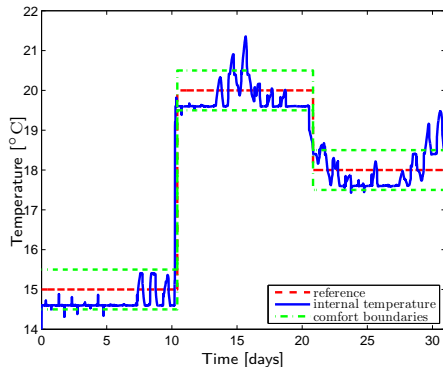
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Minimization of Comfort Zone Violations (Hybrid)



Control strategy	PI	Basic	CZT	Hybrid
Thermal comfort [%]	87.5	89.2	84.1	88.2
Energy consumption [kWh]	753.0	722.7	684.0	640.1
Energy savings [%]	-	4.0	9.1	15.0

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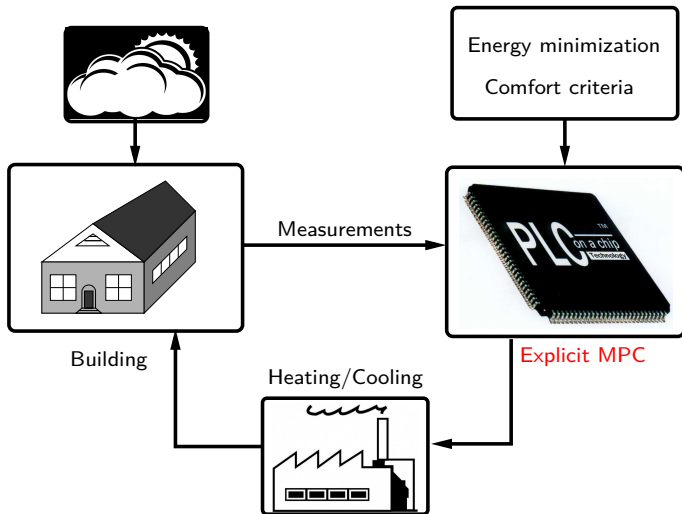
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Explicit Stochastic MPC



Stochastic MPC Solution Time

Number of parameters: 14

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Number of regions: 816

Time to compute: $\approx 6\text{min}$

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