

Development and Optimization of a PID-Feed-Control for an Industrial Fermentation Process

Internship (5 ECTS) - Start in October 2024

The most common bioprocess mode in the industry is the fed-batch process. Therefore, an accurate and reliable feed control is essential because the product yield is highly dependent on the availability of nutrients. Gravimetric feed control is achieved by using balances to measure the weight of the nutrient solution as it is added to the bioreactor, allowing for precise control over the nutrient concentration. Gravimetric feeds are particularly useful for largescale bioprocesses. This project aims to integrate a PID control for the gravimetric feed of an industrial bioprocess.

Responsibilities:

- Coding a PID-Controller in Python
- Testing the PID-Controller in a 2-L bioreactor (IKA Habitat)
- Optimization of the PID-Controller

Requirements:

- Previous experience in Coding
- Ability to work independently
- TUM student

We offer

- Insight into an industrial bioprocess
- Brand new lab equipment
- A friendly work enviroment
- A workstation with a desktop computer

Application

If you are interested, please contact Dennis Beerhalter (dennis.beerhalter@tum.de). I will be happy to answer any further questions you may have.

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