

EPE'25 – Call for Tutorials

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MODEL PREDICTIVE CONTROL OF POWER CONVERTERS AND DRIVES

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Tutorial Objectives:

**In this paragraph, please describe the tutorial objectives of the tutorial that you propose.
Please make sure the objectives are clearly described.**

In the last decades, the application of fast modern microcontrollers has been continuously growing, allowing the development and implementation of new and more intelligent control strategies as an alternative to conventional techniques for power converters. Model Predictive Control is one of these powerful and attractive alternatives that has received a lot of attention in recent years. The use of predictive control offers several interesting advantages: it is an intuitive control approach, it does not need linear controllers and modulators, and it is possible to easily include nonlinearities and restrictions in the control law. It is expected that the advantages of predictive control will lead to industrial applications very shortly. In this tutorial, new advances and trends in the application of model predictive control for power electronics and electrical drives will be presented.

Target Audience:

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The target audience are academics, researchers, students and people from industry interested in to know the basic principles and more advances aspects of model predictive control in different power converters and electrical drives.

Topical Outline:

Introduction - (Estimated time: 15 minutes)

- Introduction to Model Predictive Control
- Principles and operation
- Cost functions and weighting factors
- Implementation examples

Examples of Predictive Control in Power Converters and Drives – (Estimated time: 30 minutes)

- Example 1, MPC applied to a two-level inverter
- Example 2, MPC applied to a three-level inverter
- Example 3, MPC applied to a matrix converter
- Example 4, MPC applied to an induction machine
- Example 5, MPC applied to a multidrive system

Technical Issues for the Implementation of Predictive Control – (Estimated time: 90 minutes)

- Theme 1, Selection of cost functions
- Theme 2, Design of weighting factors
- Theme 3, Delay compensation
- Theme 4, Effect of errors in model parameters

Trends and Challenges of Predictive Control - (Estimated time: 30 minutes)

- Challenges of model predictive control implementations
- Trends for the implementation of model predictive control
- Conclusion 1

Provisional Schedule of the Tutorial:

Schedule:

14:00 – 15:30: Introduction / Theme 1 / Theme 2

15:30 – 16:00: Coffee break / Lunch Break

16:00 – 17:30: Theme 3 / Theme 4 / Conclusions

About the Lecturers:

Marco Rivera received the PhD. degree in Electronic Engineering from the Universidad Técnica Federico Santa María, Chile and was awarded with the “Premio Tesis de Doctorado Academia Chilena de Ciencias 2012”, for the best PhD Thesis developed in 2011 for national and foreign students in any exact or natural sciences program, that is member of the



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