

## SUMMARY

- Baker's yeast fed-batch process: 2 partial metabolic based models
- Experiment design for the yield coefficients identification
- Computation of optimal glucose feeding rate
- Fed-batch experiments with the optimized glucose feeding rate

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## Baker's Yeast Metabolic Pathways

- Oxidative growth on Glucose (respiration):
 
$$\text{Glucose} + \text{Oxygen} \xrightarrow{k_s S + k_e O - \frac{dS}{dt}} \text{Biomass} + \text{CO}_2 + \text{water}$$
- and
- Reductive growth on Glucose (fermentation):
 
$$\text{Glucose} \xrightarrow{k_s S - \frac{dS}{dt}} \text{Biomass} + \text{Ethanol} + \text{CO}_2 + \text{water}$$
- Oxidative growth on Ethanol (respiration):
 
$$\text{Ethanol} + \text{Oxygen} \xrightarrow{k_e E + k_s O - \frac{dE}{dt}} \text{Biomass} + \text{CO}_2 + \text{water}$$

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## Baker's Yeast Partial State Model

**Model RF: Respiro-fermentative state**  
(glucose oxidation + glucose fermentation)

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ S \\ E \\ O \\ C \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -k_1 & -k_2 \\ -k_1 & 0 & k_1 & [k_a^*] Y - D E \\ -k_2 & 0 & 0 & [k_b^*] O \\ k_1 & -k_1 & k_1 & OTR \\ k_2 & -k_2 & k_2 & CTR \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ S \\ E \\ O \\ C \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ DS \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Model R: Respirative state**  
(glucose oxidation + ethanol oxidation)

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ S \\ E \\ O \\ C \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -k_1 & 0 \\ 0 & -k_1 & k_1 \\ -k_1 & -k_2 & [k_a^*] Y - D E \\ k_1 & -k_1 & k_1 \\ k_2 & -k_2 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X \\ S \\ E \\ O \\ C \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ DS \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**General Dynamical Model**  $\frac{d\xi}{dy} = K\varphi - D\xi + F - Q$

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## Model Identification Yield Coefficients

$\frac{d\xi}{dt} = K\varphi(\xi, t) - D\xi + U$  → 2 state partitions:  
 $\xi_a$  (p elements)  
 $\xi_b$  (n-p elements)

 $Z = A\xi_a + \xi_b$  with  $AK_a + K_b = 0$ 
 $\frac{dZ}{dt} = -DZ + AU_a + U_b$ 
 $Z = AZ_a + Z_b$ 

**Auxiliary Model**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dZ_a}{dt} &= -DZ_a + U_a & Z_a - \xi_b &= A(\xi_a - Z_a) \\ \frac{dZ_b}{dt} &= -DZ_b + U_b & \end{aligned}$$

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## Yield Coefficients Identification

$$Z_b - \xi_b = A(\xi_a - Z_a) \rightarrow y(t) = A\phi(t)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_{n-p} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0_1 & 0_2 & \cdots & 0_p \\ 0_{p+1} & 0_{p+2} & \cdots & 0_{2p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0_{(n-p)+1} & 0_{(n-p)+2} & \cdots & 0_{(n-p)p} \end{bmatrix} \phi_1 \quad \rightarrow y(t) = \Phi^T(t)\theta_1$$

**Experimental Planning**

$$F_i = \sum_{j=1}^{n_p} \left( \frac{\partial y(t_j)}{\partial \theta} \right)^T \left( \frac{\partial \phi(t_j)}{\partial \theta} \right) \quad F_i = \sum_{j=1}^{n_p} \psi^T(t_j) \phi(t_j)$$

**Optimality Criteria**

- D  $\max \det(F_i)$
- E  $\max \lambda_{\min}$
- NC  $\min (\lambda_{\max}/\lambda_{\min})$

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## Yield Coefficients Identification Baker's Yeast

**Partial Models:**

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} X - Z_{21} \\ C - Z_{22} \\ E - Z_{31} \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 0_1 & 0_2 & [Z_{21} - S] \\ 0_3 & 0_4 & [Z_{22} - O] \\ 0_5 & 0_6 & [Z_{31}] \end{bmatrix} dt + \begin{bmatrix} DS \\ OTR \\ CTR \end{bmatrix} dt \\ \frac{dZ_{21}}{dt} &= -DZ_{21} + DSe \\ \frac{dZ_{22}}{dt} &= -DZ_{22} + DSe \\ \frac{dZ_{31}}{dt} &= -DZ_{31} + CTR \\ \frac{dZ_{32}}{dt} &= -DZ_{32} + DSe \end{aligned}$$

**R**

$$\frac{1}{k_1 k_2} \begin{bmatrix} k_1 & (k_1 - k_1) \\ k_2 k_1 & (k_2 - k_1) k_2 \\ k_2 k_1 & -k_2 k_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \frac{1}{k_1 k_2} \begin{bmatrix} (k_1 - k_1) & k_1 \\ (k_2 - k_1) k_2 & k_2 k_1 \\ k_2 k_1 & -k_2 k_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Validation:**

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{x}(t) &= \hat{Z}_{10}(t) + \theta_1 \phi_1(t) + \theta_2 \phi_2(t) \\ \hat{C}(t) &= \hat{Z}_{21}(t) + \theta_3 \phi_1(t) + \theta_4 \phi_2(t) \\ \hat{E}(t) &= \hat{Z}_{30}(t) + \theta_5 \phi_1(t) + \theta_6 \phi_2(t) \end{aligned}$$

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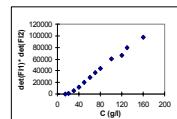
## Optimization of the Feeding Rate

**Fermentor**  
Initial volume: 2 L  
Maximum volume: 5 L  
Run time: 20 hr.  
**Initial values of state variables**  
Biomass: 0.7 g/l  
Substrate: 1.7 g/l  
Ethanol: 2.2 g/l  
Dissolved O<sub>2</sub>: 0.002 g/l  
Dissolved CO<sub>2</sub>:  
**Optimization strategy**  
• Optimality criterion:  
- max (det( $F_{\text{pr}}$ ) \* det( $F_{\text{tr}}$ ))  
-  $F$  discretized into 10 node points  
- Linear feeding profile between node points  
- Optimization methods:  
- Simulated annealing

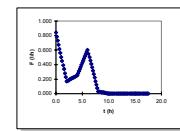
Dissolved oxygen maintained at a constant value  
Total amount of glucose in fed-batch medium: 45g

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## Optimization



Influence of substrate inlet concentration



Feed Rate Profile

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## Baker's Yeast Fed-batch Experiment

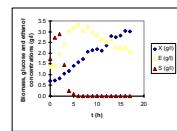
**Fermentor**  
Initial volume: 2 L  
Final volume: 5 L  
**State variables**  
X - biomass  
S - substrate (sugar)  
E - Ethanol  
O - dissolved Oxygen  
C - dissolved

**On-line measurements**  
• Ethanol in liquid phase  
• Inlet and exit gas composition (CO<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>)  
• Air feed rate  
• Sugar feed rate

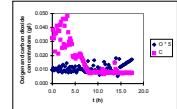
Dissolved oxygen maintained at 2 mg/l  
Glucose concentration in the feeding medium: 15 g/l

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## Experimental Profiles



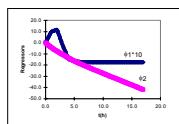
Biomass, sugar and ethanol



Dissolved Oxygen (O) and carbon dioxide (C)

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## Regressors



Regressors for the identification experiment

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## Conclusions

- Yield coefficients can be well identified using data from fed-batch experiments with an optimized feed flow pattern
- This iterative approach requires a priori knowledge on the yield coefficients

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