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Special Issue on Learning from Imperfect Data for Industrial Automation

With the rapid development of advanced sensing, communication and the Industrial Internet of Things (IIoT) in the last two decades, it has become much easier to obtain, transmit and store a massive amount of real-world data nowadays. However, imperfect data is inevitable in real-world systems, such as outliers, contaminated, incomplete and inaccurate information in the data, or missed information in the data. Due to the loss of information or misleading information, data imperfection usually makes traditional data-driven methods either unfeasible or ending at undesired inaccuracies. This has been a well-known challenge to data-driven methods when applied to real-world systems and industries, such as process industry, manufacturing, energy network, and transportation systems.

This special issue aims to bring together the recent research developments of learning from data in academic and industrial communities of automation science, data science, industrial intelligence, and control engineering. It is to provide an overview of the state-of-art in learning from imperfect data for industrial automation and share the recent progress achieved and lessons learned, new theories and methods to deal with industrial imperfect data, in the hope to foster theoretical research of industrial intelligence and it applications. Both regular papers and technical notes with scientific results and/or application in industries are welcome. Topics that are included but not limited to:

• Foundation and theory of learning of imperfect data
• Statistic analytics and learning of imperfect data
• Modeling and identification of physical system with imperfect data
• Data-driven monitoring, control and optimization with imperfect data
• Control performance assessment with imperfect data
• Imperfect-data tolerance control of dynamic systems
• Robust clustering, regression and classification for modelling and condition monitoring
• Robustness of learning-based modeling, monitoring and optimization
• Distributed learning over distributed systems subject to imperfect data
• Optimization for machine learning subject to imperfect data
• Combining model-based and learning-driven control system
• Applications of learning from imperfect data in manufacturing, energy networks, transportation systems, etc.

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