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Research Roadmaps and Recent Advances in Data Science for Prognostics

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Abstract: In this presentation, we will delve into research roadmaps and recent advances in data science for prognostics in complex systems—a crucial element for predictive maintenance in different applications. Complex systems typically feature multiple sensors for real-time status monitoring, often operating under various scenarios, encompassing multiple failure modes and operational conditions. When faced with a specific failure, different sensors may exhibit varying sensitivities, signal-to-noise ratios, sampling rates, and levels of sparsity. Therefore, one critical question is how to develop effective data fusion methods to select the best sensors and combine the information for better characterizing the underlying degradation process. Building upon the developed data fusion models, we will further discuss how to perform individualized prognostics with uncertainty quantification in a heterogenous fleet via transfer learning and conduct enhanced decision makings based on the prognostic results. Such research efforts have led to significant benefits that contribute to cost savings in operation and maintenance, increased production efficiency and requirement lifespan, and improved overall customer satisfaction and operational performance.

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