



Data reconciliation in OpenModelica: state estimation of industrial systems

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EPRI, Use of Data Validation and Reconciliation Methods for Measurement Uncertainty Recapture, Topical Report, 2020

Summary

1. What is Data Reconciliation ?

2. Application to a thermal-hydraulic testing laboratory

3. Future perspectives for monitoring the performance of power plants

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What is Data Reconciliation ?

Algorithm, assumptions and implementation in OpenModelica

1. What is Data Reconciliation ?

Data Reconciliation (DR):

- **Correct measurements** to make them **physically consistent** by using an **optimization problem under constraints**

Goals:

- Improving the **reliability of system state estimation**
 - **Reducing** the effect of **random errors**

Usages:

- **Detection of failures** (instrumentation or process)
- Reduction of **measurements uncertainties**

Assumptions:

- **Redundant** measurements
- Estimation of their **initial uncertainties***
- **Behavioral model** considered as **perfect** which describes how measured quantities are physically related to each other

* VDI2048 norm's additional assumptions:

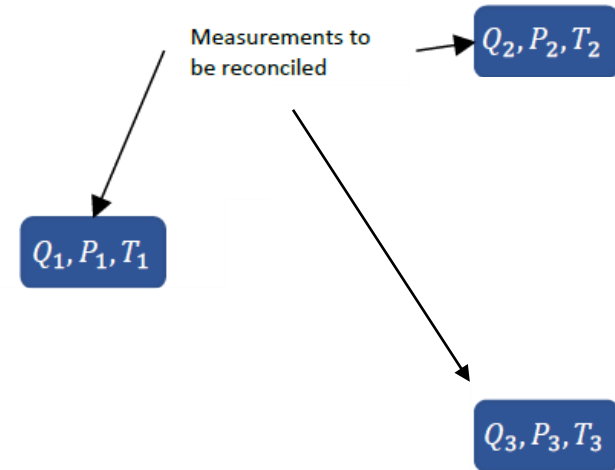
- **Uncertainties** follow a **Gaussian distribution**
- The observed process is in a **steady-state**

1. What is Data Reconciliation ?

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- **Redundant measurement data** $\rightarrow X$
- **Measurement uncertainties** $\rightarrow \sigma_X$

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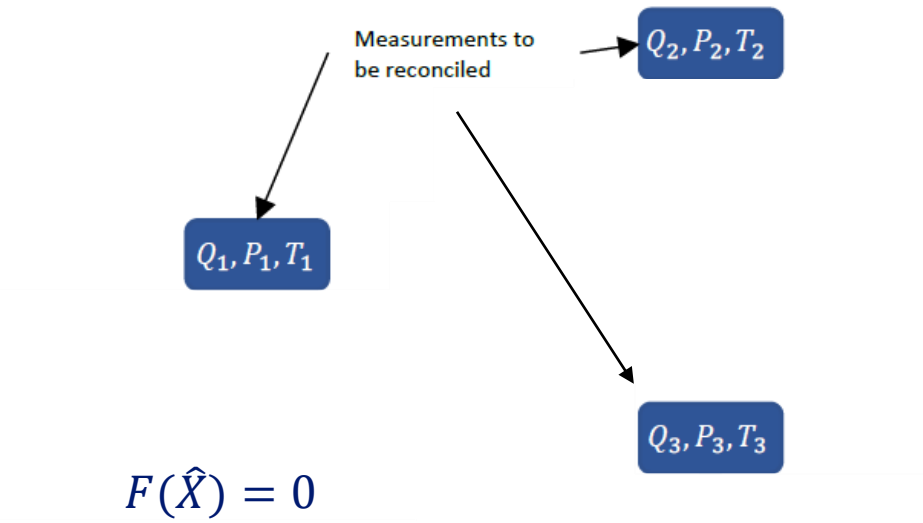


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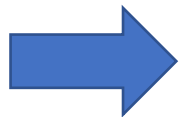
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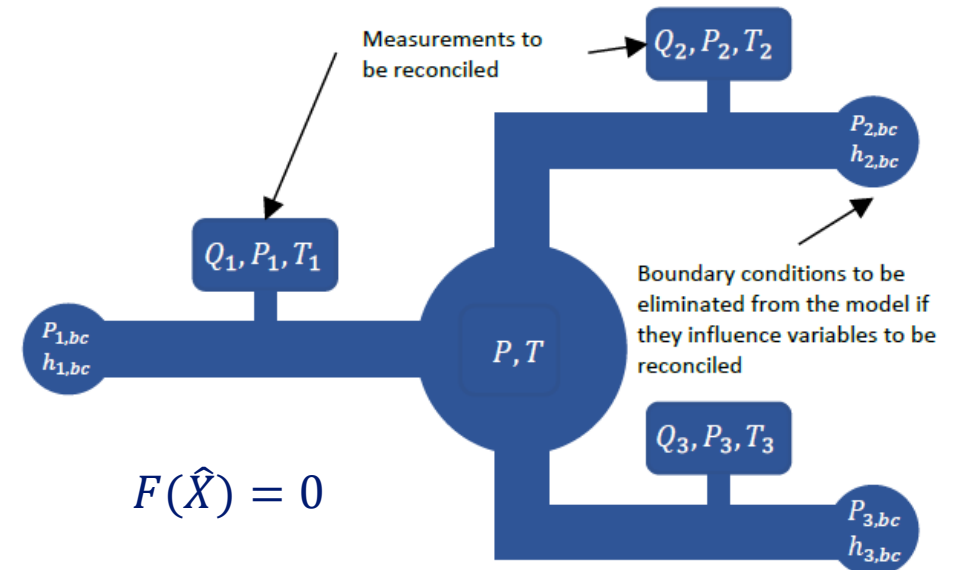
Outputs:

- **Reconciled measurements:** $\rightarrow \hat{X}$
 - **Physically consistent** $\rightarrow F(\hat{X}) = 0$
 - **Improved**
 - **Closer to the “true” state** of the system $\rightarrow |\hat{X} - X^{True}| \leq |X - X^{True}|$
- And associated to **reduced uncertainties** $\rightarrow \sigma_{\hat{X}} \leq \sigma_X$



Better state estimation

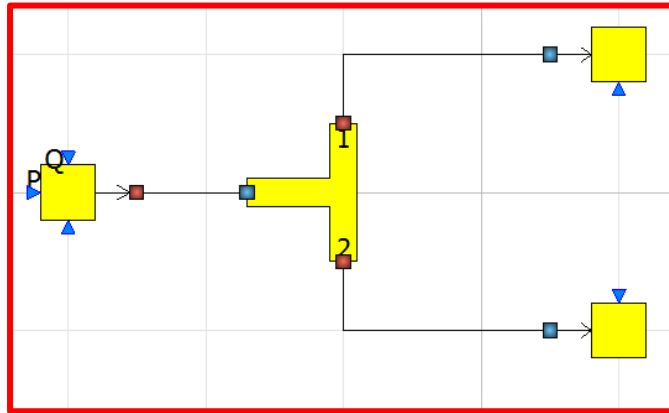
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1. What is Data Reconciliation ? How to use it in OpenModelica ?



Annotations used for DR

```
model Splitter2_Q_DR
  Splitter2_Q splitter2_Q(
    Q1(uncertain = Uncertainty.refine),
    Q2(uncertain = Uncertainty.refine),
    Q3(uncertain = Uncertainty.refine))
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Inputs :

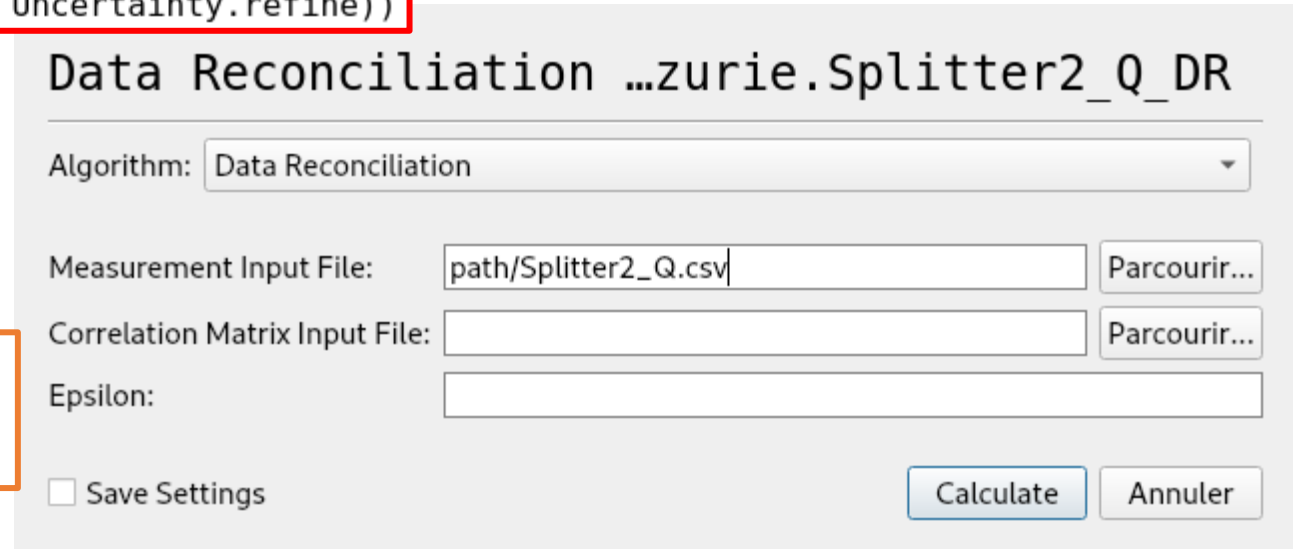
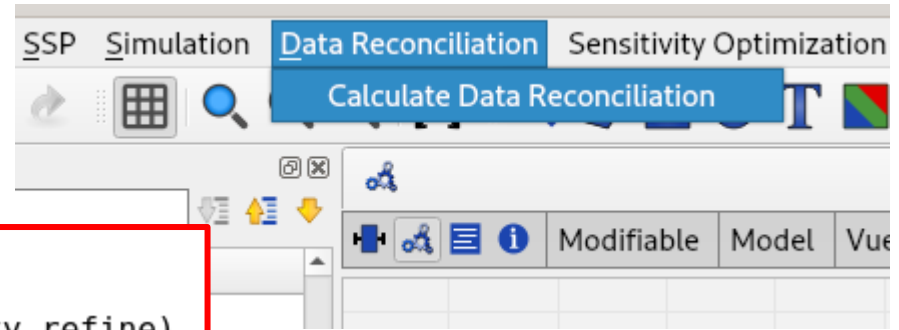
$$Q_1 = 12 \pm 2$$

$$Q_2 = 5 \pm 1$$

$$Q_3 = 5 \pm 1$$

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Variable name;Measured value;Weight
splitter2_Q.Q1;12;2
splitter2_Q.Q2;5;1
splitter2_Q.Q3;5;1
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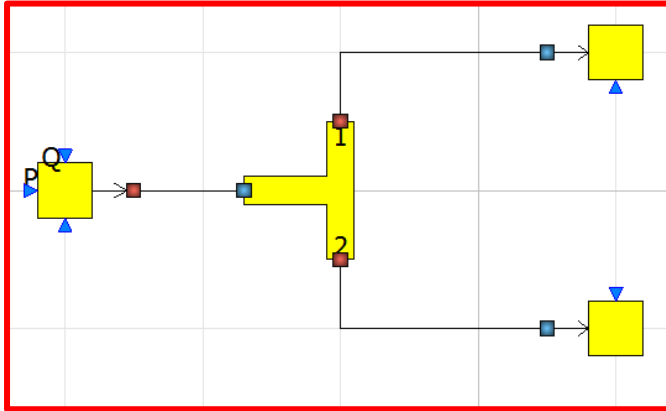
CSV input file



OpenModelica Data Reconciliation interface

- Functionality embedded in OpenModelica standard release
- For more details on how to use such reconciliation functionality → [OpenModelica Users Guide/dataReconciliation](#)

1. What is Data Reconciliation ? How to use it in OpenModelica ?



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Analysis:

Number of auxiliary conditions: 2
 Number of variables to be reconciled: 3
 Number of related boundary conditions: 1
 Number of iterations to convergence: 2
 Final value of (J*/r) : 0
 Epsilon : 1e-10
 Final value of the objective function (J) : 2.56107
 Chi-square value : 5.99146
 Result of global test : TRUE
 Quality value (J/Chi-square) : 0.427453

Variables to be Reconciled	Initial Measured Values	Reconciled Values	Initial Half-width Confidence Intervals	Reconciled Half-width Confidence Intervals	Results of Local Tests	Values of Local Tests	Margin to Correctness(distance from 1.96)
exemple.Q1	12	10.6667	2	1.1547	TRUE	1.60033	0.359667
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Outputs :

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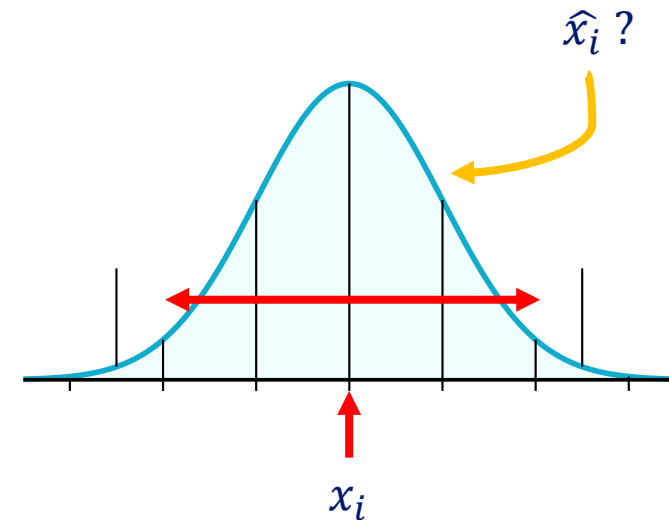
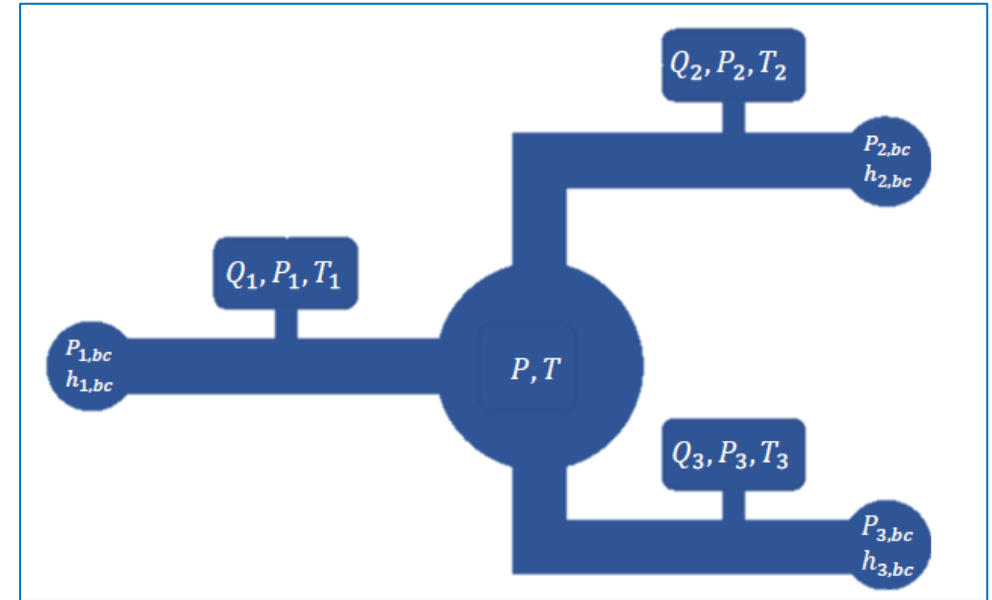
How to diagnose system state from reconciled outputs

Different statistical criteria:

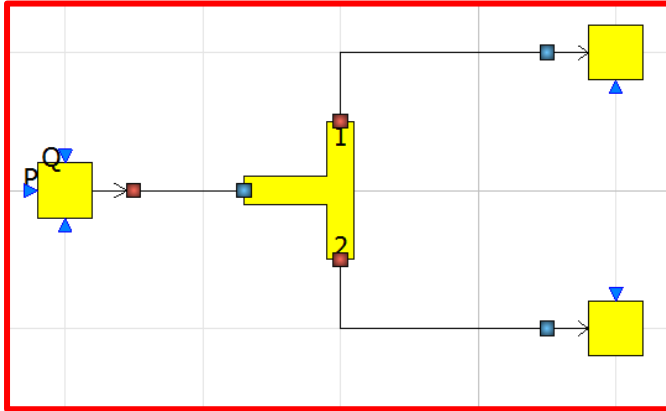
- **A global test C_1**
 - Are the measurements **consistent with the model?**
 - Consistent with initial assumptions on measurements uncertainties?
- **A set of local tests $C_{2,i}$ (one for each measurement i)**
 - Is the correction of i^{th} measured value within its confidence interval?

$$C_{2,i} = \frac{|\hat{x}_i - x_i|}{\sqrt{S_{v,i,i}}}$$

- If $C_{2,i} > \lambda$: **Local failure is detected.** Root causes should be investigated to determine which assumption is not valid (**due to a faulty sensor i** or **local process default** not represented in the current model which would be hence no so perfect)



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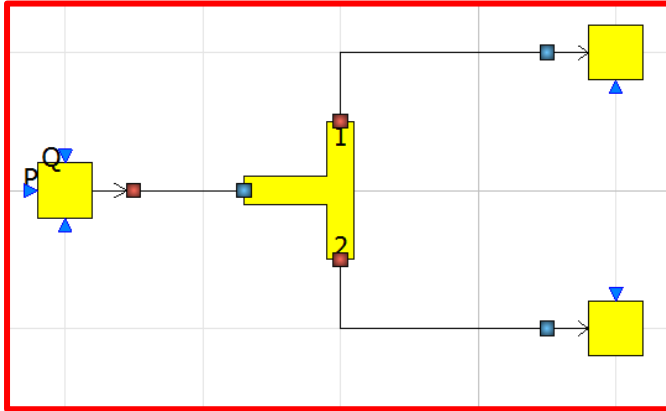
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- Conditions C1 & C2 are verified
 - Reconciled values are corrected within their confidence intervals
 - Uncertainties are reduced



Improved knowledge on the system state (with an estimation closer to the true state)

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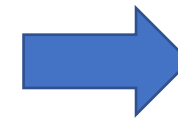
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- Conditions C1 & C2 are not verified

- Either the model is FALSE (ex: a leak is not represented)
- Or the measurements are FALSE (ex: faulty sensor)



Detection of an inconsistency

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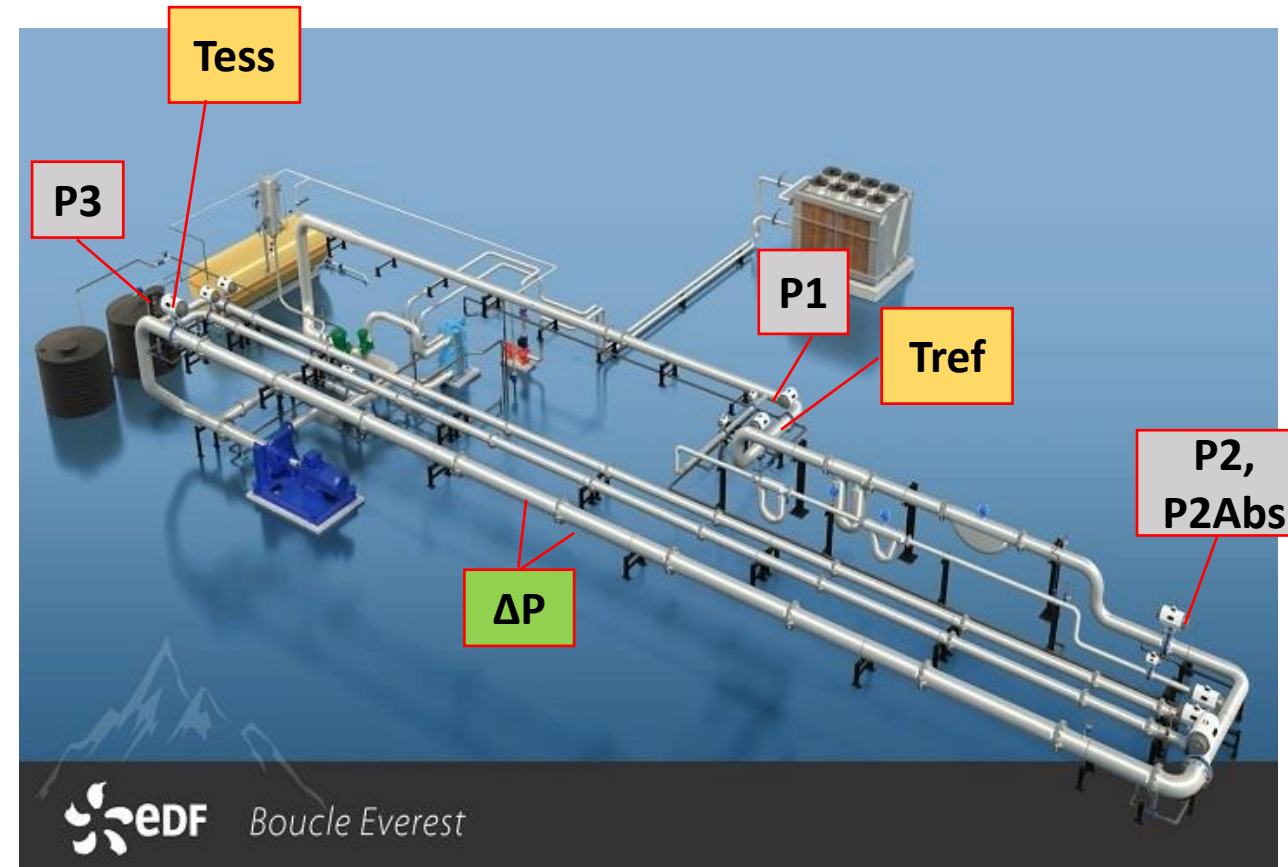
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Study case : EVEREST testing laboratory

EVEREST at EDF R&D Chatou:

- An **experimental test facility** for analyzing the behavior of **measuring instruments** in high flow rates **water flows**
 - **Industrial scale** representative of nuclear power plant installations
 - **Reliable**: the loop is equipped with reference flowmeters (flow rate uncertainty less than 0.2%)
 - **Controlled**: temperature-, pressure- and flow-regulated to ensure on-demand thermodynamic conditions up to $1200 \text{ m}^3/\text{h}$
 - **Modular**: the circuit can be modified at will



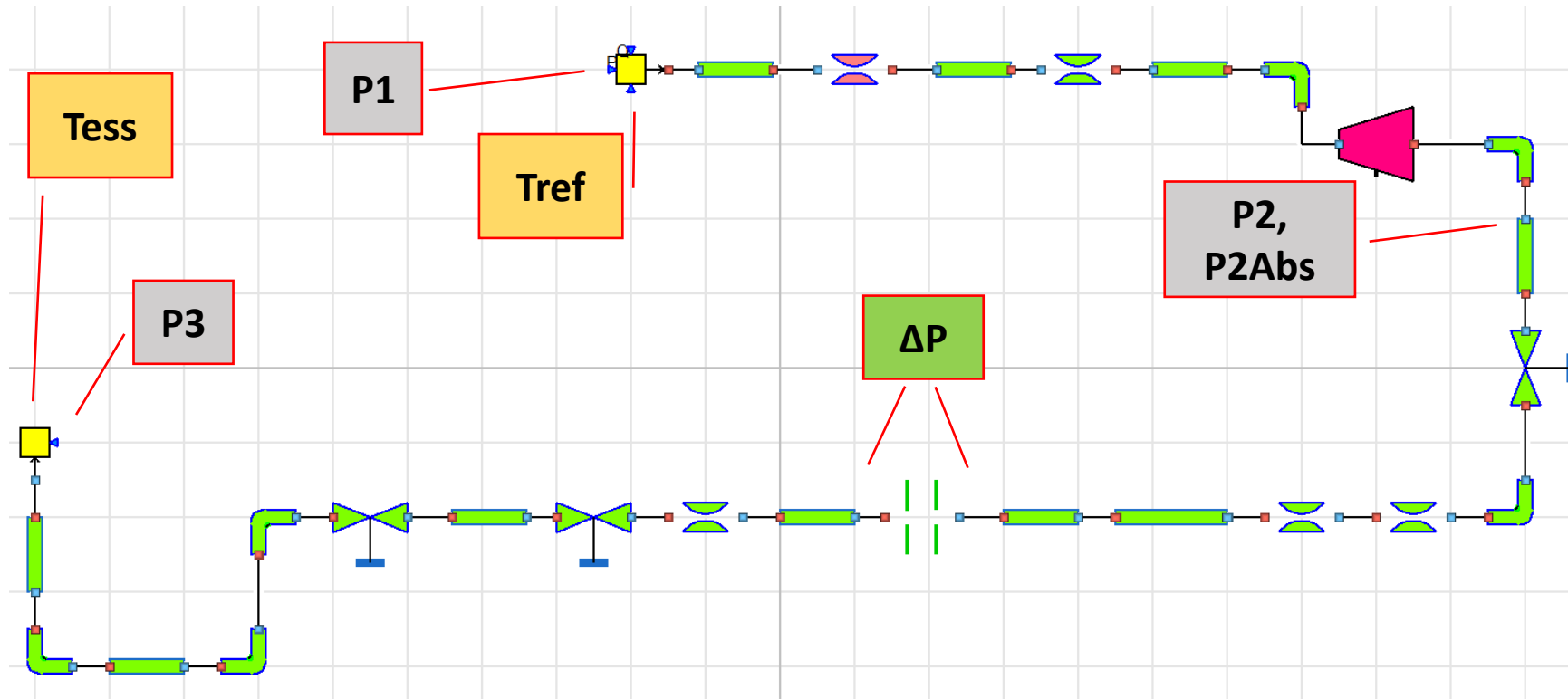
Representation of the EVEREST test loop

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Study case : Implementation with ThermoSysPro and OpenModelica

Implementation of the EVEREST test loop with ThermoSysPro library and OpenModelica:

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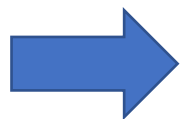
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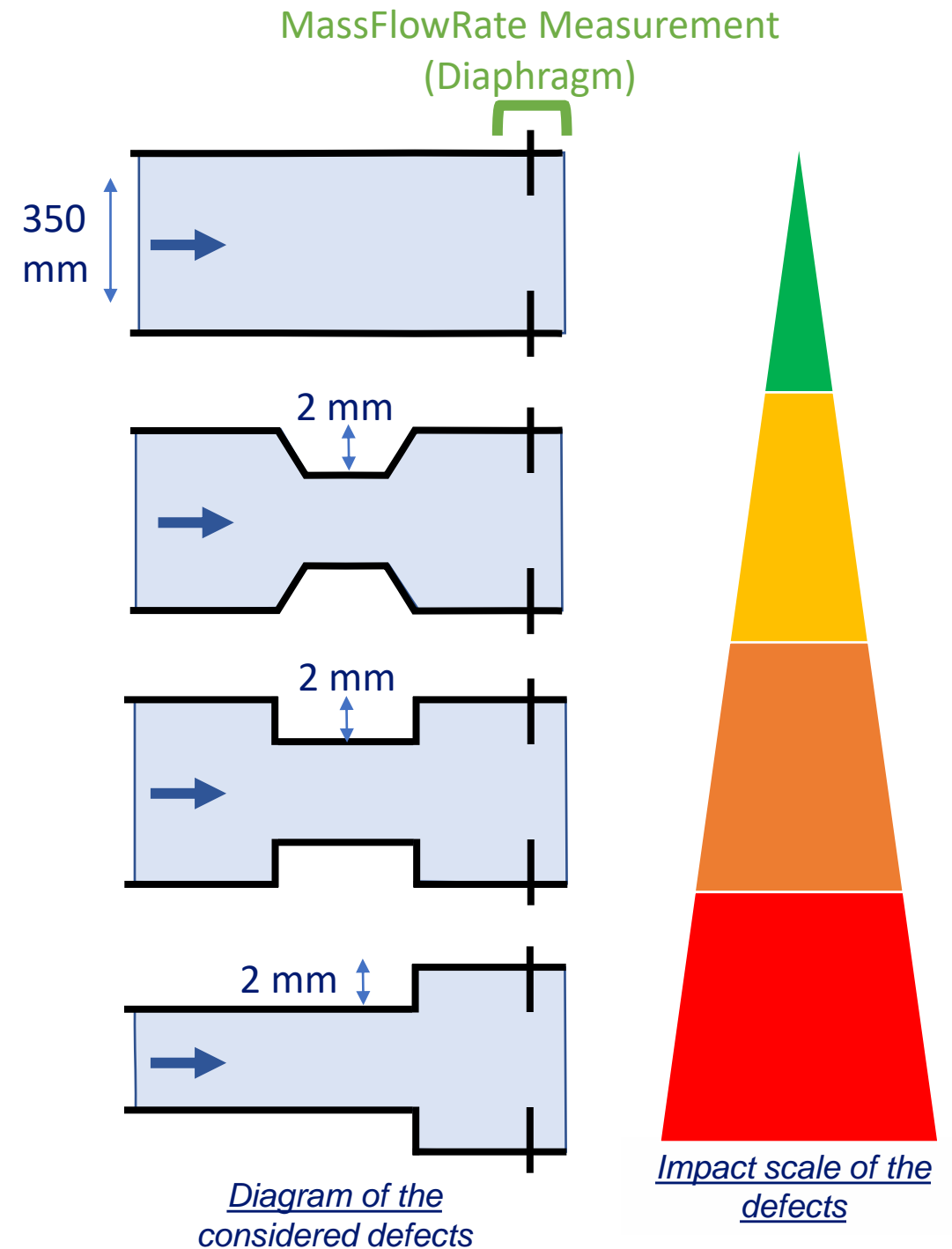
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Test campaign are run with **various defects** (deliberately machined on the test bench and precisely measured):

- **No defect test**
- **Trapezoidal and rectangular bead defects**
 - Made to represent weld beads inside pipes
- **Step defect**
 - Made to represent a slight change of diameter

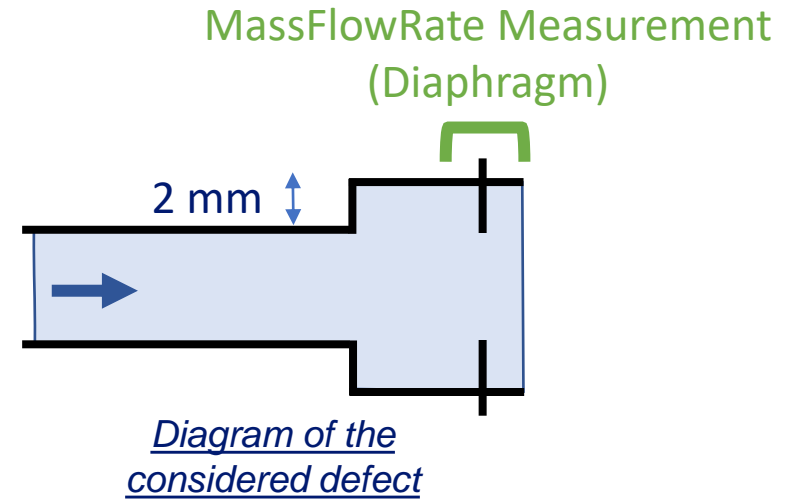


Can it be detected with
Data Reconciliation ?



2. Application to a thermal-hydraulic testing laboratory Proof of defects detection

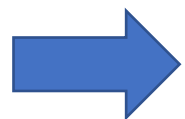
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Variable to be Estimated	Unit	Description	Initial Measured Value	Estimated Value	Initial Uncertainty	Estimated Uncertainty	Result of Local Test	Local Quality	Comment
everest.P2csv	bar		608443	607815	2900.8	1413.35	TRUE	0.247872	
everest.P2Abscsv	bar		709963	709140	3351.6	1413.35	TRUE	0.270552	
everest.Pacsv	bar		688197	691368	3351.6	1413.16	FALSE	1.04316	
everest.P3csv	bar		574430	573771	2214.8	1413.41	TRUE	0.386208	
everest.DeltaP_D_1	bar		29787.4	30302.5	377.47	41.6804	FALSE	1.373	
everest.DeltaP_D_2	bar		29835.3	30302.5	313.488	41.6804	FALSE	1.503	
everest.DeltaP_bride_1	bar		30799.6	31011.4	357.452	42.6581	TRUE	0.596	
everest.DeltaP_bride_2	bar		30800.1	31011.4	394.179	42.6581	TRUE	0.539	
everest.Trefcsv	degC		312.871	312.902	0.1421	0.0878243	TRUE	0.274	
everest.Tesscsv	degC		312.923	312.902	0.11172	0.0878243	TRUE	0.304	
everest.Qrefcsv			248.378	248.291	0.175255	0.170275	FALSE	1.557	

Analysis:

Number of auxiliary conditions: 8
Number of measured variables: 11
Number of unmeasured variables: 0
Number of related boundary conditions: 3
Number of iterations to convergence: 2
Final value of (J*/r) : 2.25184e-10
Epsilon : 1e-06
Final value of the objective function (J) : 23.5759
Chi-square value : 15.5073
Result of global test : FALSE
Quality (J/Chi-square) : 1.52031



Data reconciliation enables to detect such defect → OK but how effectively?

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Test campaigns to evaluate the effectiveness of the reconciliation

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- If $C_{2,i} > \lambda$: **Local failure** for sensor i
 - Run considered with a flaw
- If $\forall i : C_{2,i} < \lambda$: Run considered with no flaw

- **Test campaigns** are run with **one defect** at a time:

- **For each test campaign:**

- Various **thermohydraulic conditions** (Mass Flow Rate variations)
 - 5 runs each
- Comparison with **characterization and verification runs** (no defects)



105 measurement sets per test campaign (with and without the defect)

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Confusion matrix	Test with a defect	Test with no defect
Detected with a defect	True Positive (TP)	False Positive (FP) <i>False alarm</i>
Detected with no defect	False Negative (FN) <i>No detection</i>	True Negative (TN)

FP as few as possible

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True positive rate: probability of detecting a defect for a test containing a defect

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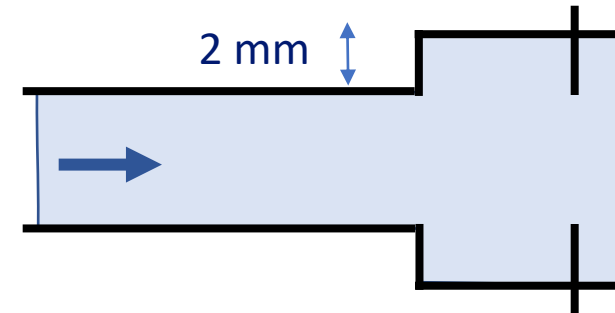


Diagram of the step defect considered

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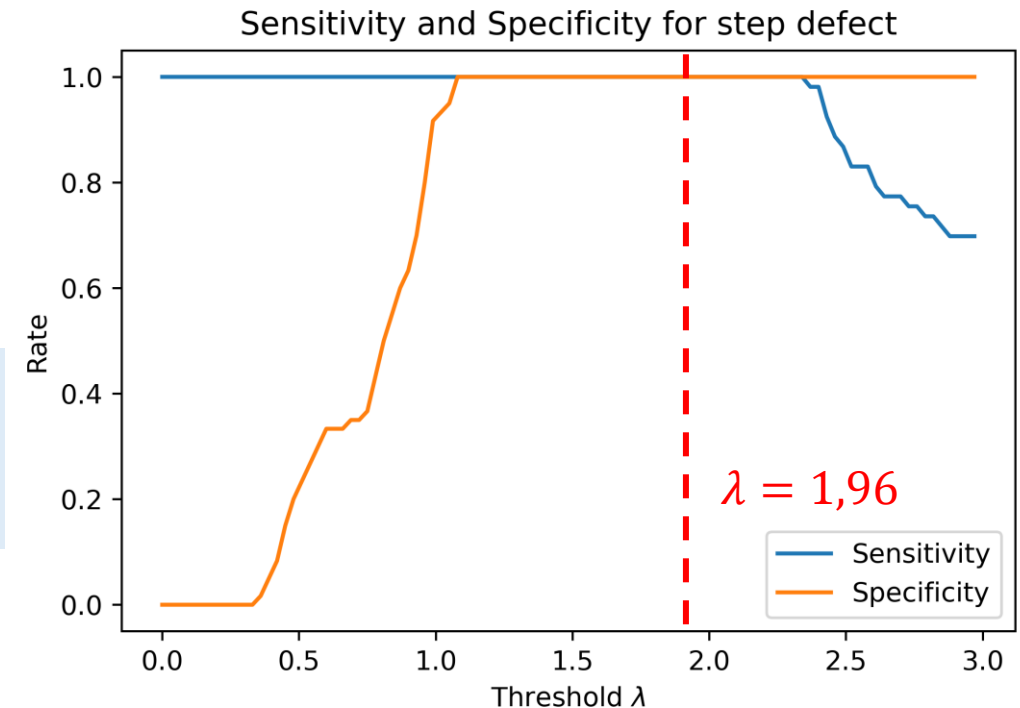
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- Specificity and Sensitivity **equal to 1** with $\lambda = 1,96$



Always a perfect diagnosis?

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Test campaigns to evaluate the effectiveness of the method - Rectangular bead defect

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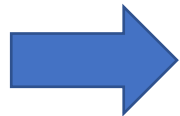
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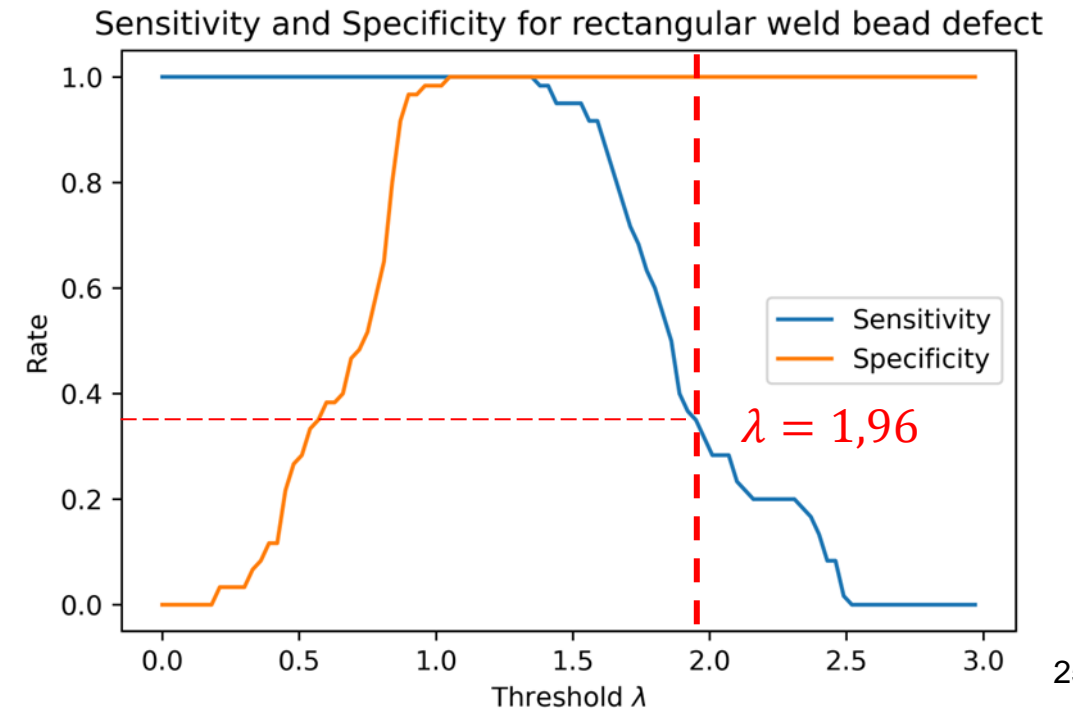
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Test campaign for **rectangular weld bead defect**:

- Defect can be detected **perfectly** thanks to DR
 - But **not for** $\lambda = 1,96$ where
 - $\text{Sensitivity} = 0,35$
- Specificity and Sensitivity equal to 1 with $\lambda = [1,05; 1,35]$



Impact of λ on the diagnosis



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Test campaigns to evaluate the effectiveness of the method - Trapezoidal bead defect

$$\text{Sensitivity} = \frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

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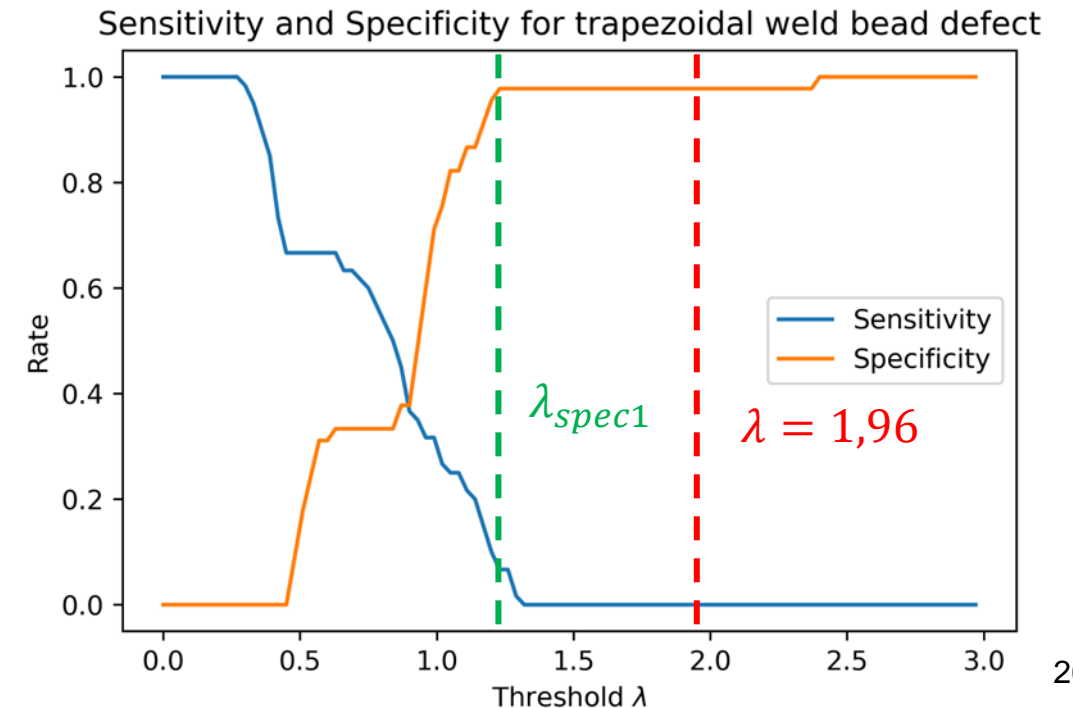
Test campaign for **trapezoidal weld bead** defect:

- Defect **cannot be perfectly detected**

- $\lambda = 1,96$ not appropriate for every defect
 - $\lambda_{optimal}$ depends on the defect

λ_{spec1} such as $\text{Specificity} = 1$

- **No false alarm**
- **Detection becomes less effective**



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Future perspectives for monitoring the performance of power plants

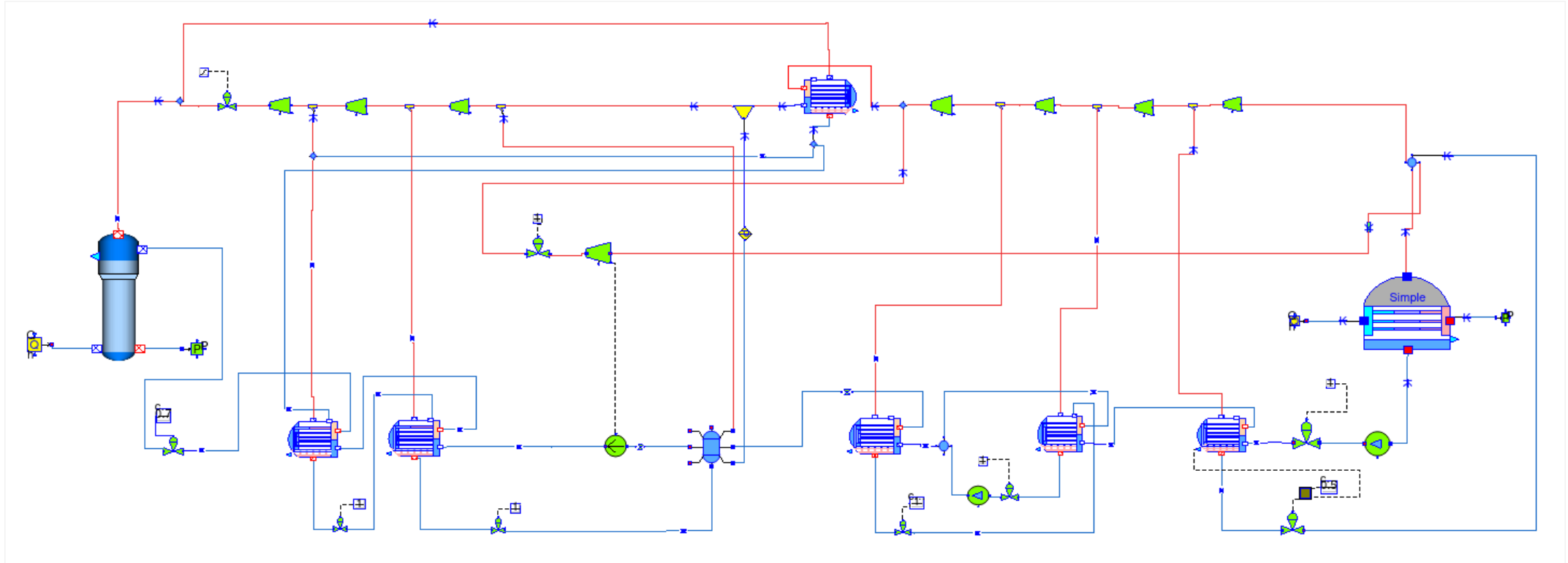
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- Apply DR to more complex systems
 - Defect diagnosis on nuclear power plants
 - Consolidate measurements used in indicators such as CTP

3. Future perspectives for monitoring the performance of power plants Use on larger ThermoSysPro models

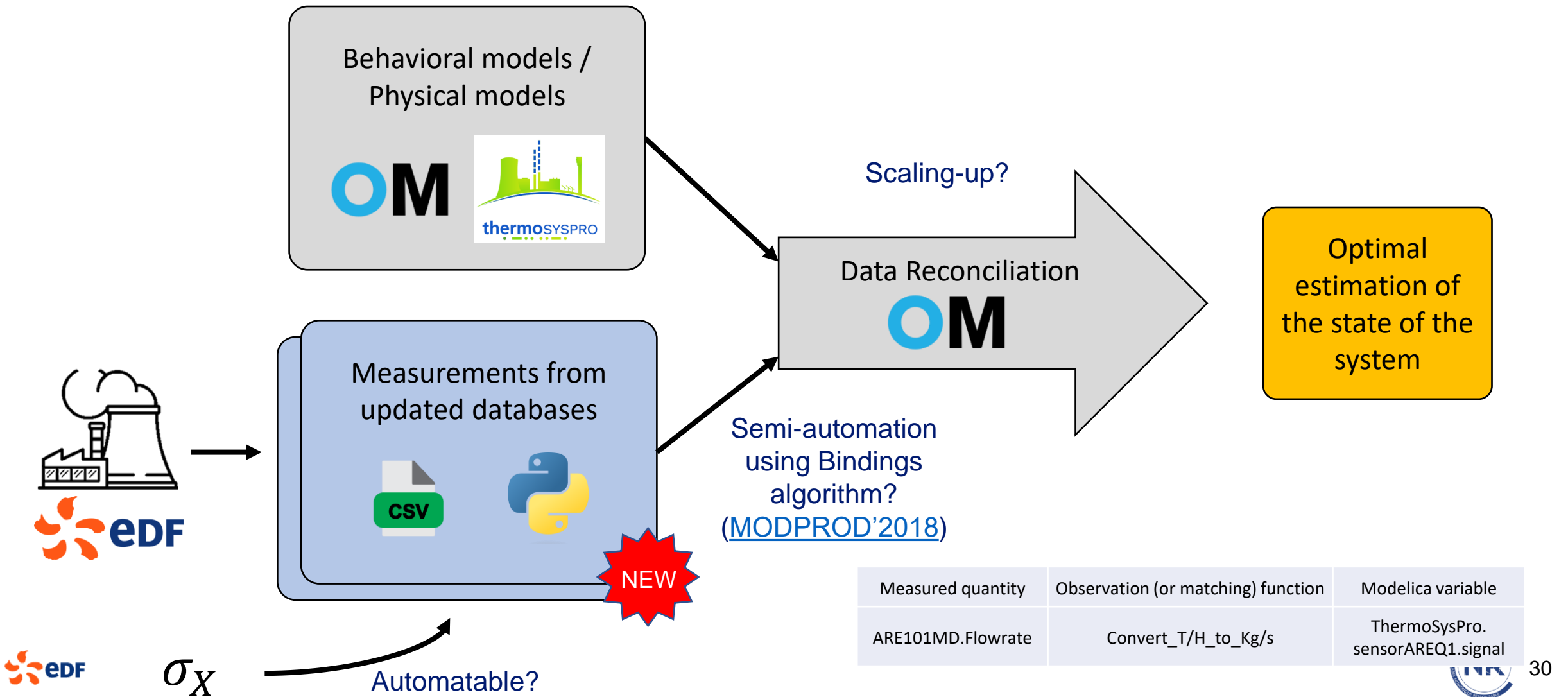


ThermoSysPro model of the secondary loop of a 1300MW PWR

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3. Future perspectives for monitoring the performance of power plants Use of external databases collecting power plants on-site measurements

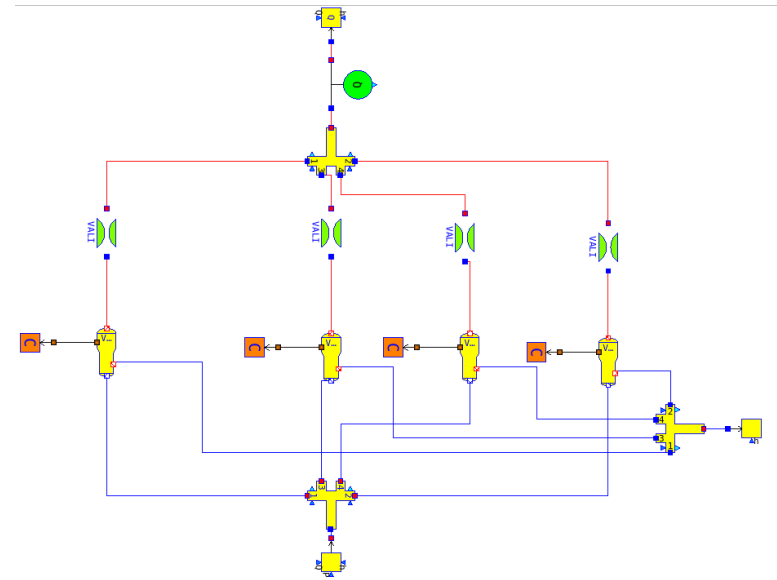
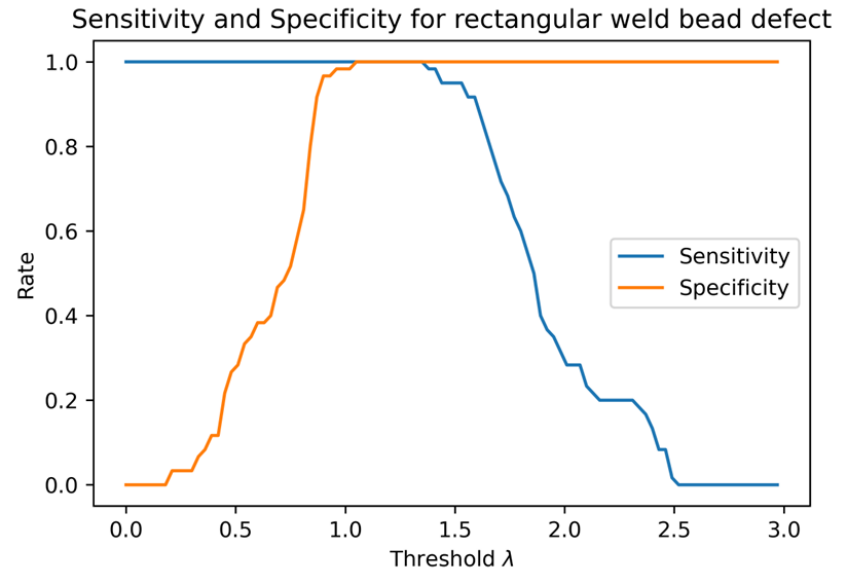


Conclusion

- **Data reconciliation detects defects intentionally reproduced on the test laboratory case**
- **Important choice of detection threshold λ**

Perspectives:

- **Use of DR on the EVEREST test laboratory as a monitoring tool to study sensors drift**
- **Use of DR on more complex models, such as the secondary loop, and automate as far as possible**
- **Use of DR (or similar algorithms) to help initialize Modelica models → see Luis Corona Mesa-Moles' talk at MODPROD'24**



*ThermoSysPro model of the steam generators of a
1300MW PWR*



Thank
you

