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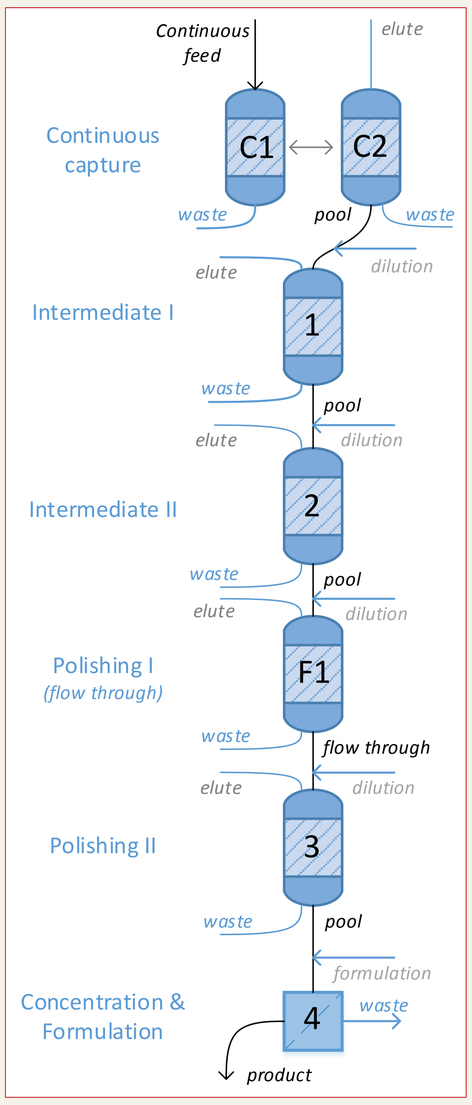
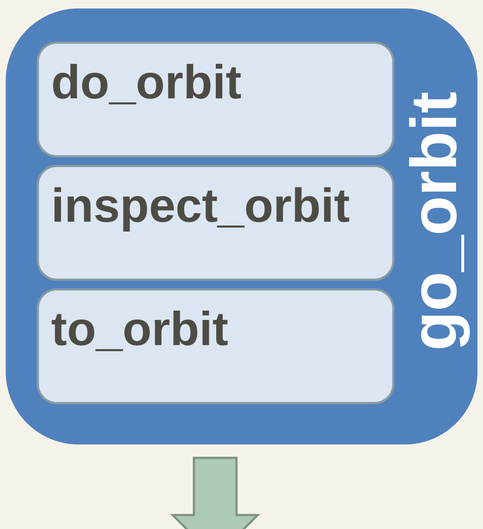
Introduction

There are industrial needs of integration and automation of downstream processes. **Orbit** is a supervisory controller on top of common available purification equipment. **Orbit** can control integrated continuous downstream processes based on user definition on a high level of information.





go_orbit

The **orbit** controller is automatically generated based on the design defined in **do_orbit** in two parts:

- Configuration and connections
- Overall sequence

inspect_orbit do analysis of the controller to find unfeasible operations.

to_orbit takes the design and automatically generates the orbit controller code for sequential control based on event-action logic.

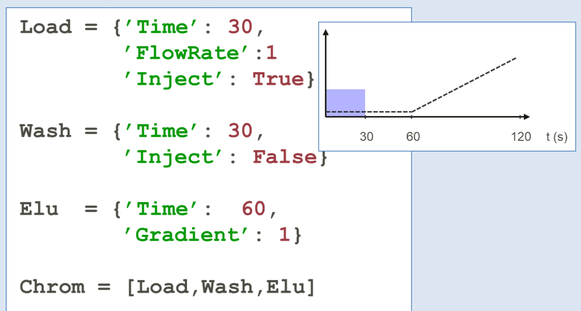
```
26
27    ''' Chromatogram 1 '''
28    Equil1 = {'Time':1.0*60.,
29              'FlowRate':2,
30              'Column':col1}
31
32    Inject1 = {'Time':4.5*60.,
33               'Inject':True}
34
35    Wash1 =   {'Time':4.0*60.}
36
37    Pool1 =   {'Time':2.0*60.,
38               'Gradient':[1],
39               'Pooling':{'Start':0.0
40                          'Stop': 2.0
41    chrom1 = [Equil1,Inject1,Wash1,Pool1]
42
43
44    ''' Chromatogram 2  -  BB '''
45    Settings2 = {'Time':0,
46                 'FlowRate':2,
47                 'Column':col2}
48
49    BufferEx2 = {'Time':0,
50                 'BBPooling':{}}
51    chrom2 = [Settings2,BufferEx2]
52
53
54    ''' Chromatogram 3 '''
55    Wash3 =   {'Time':5.5*60.,
56               'Column':col3}
57
58    Pool3 =   {'Time':5.0*60.,
59               'Gradient':[0, 0.7],
60               'Pooling':{'Start':2.3*60.,
61                          'Stop': 3.8*60.}}
62    chrom3 = [Wash3,Pool3]
63
64
65    ''' Chromatogram 4  -  BB '''
66    Settings4 = {'Time':0,
67                 'FlowRate':2,
68                 'Column':col7}
69
70    BufferEx4 = {'Time':0,
71                 'BBPooling':{'Next':'Waste'}}
72    chrom4 = [Settings4,BufferEx4]
73
74
75    chroms = [chrom1,chrom2,chrom3,chrom4]
76    guiController(s,chroms)
77
```

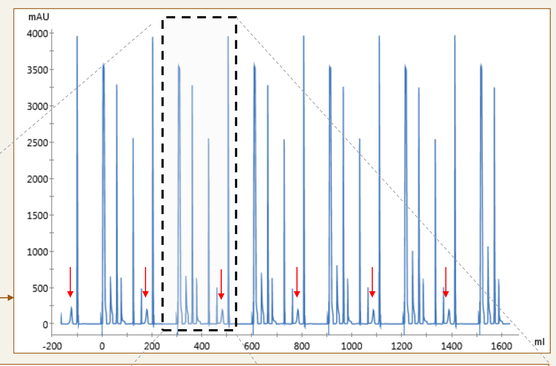
```
pump  = Pump(              name='pump')
mixer = Mixer(             name='mixer',volume=10)
injValve    = InjectionValve(    name='injValve')
versValve1  = VersatileValve(    name='versValve1', number = 1)
versValve2  = VersatileValve(    name='versValve2', number = 2)
colValve1   = ColumnValve(       name='colValve1')
colValve2   = ColumnValve(       name='colValve2')
uvSens      = UVSensor(          name='uvSens')
condSens    = ConductivitySensor(name='condSens')
pHSens      = PHSensor(          name='pHSens')
outlValve   = OutletValve(       name='outlValve')
```

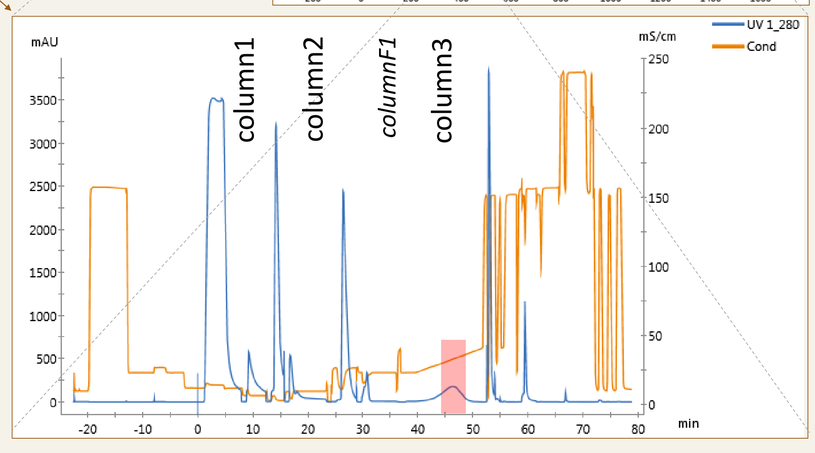
```
'''    source          ,destination,       info'''
Tube( pump['Out'],      mixer['In'],       volume=0)
Tube( mixer['Out'],     injValve['SyP'],   color='green', length=0.435)


# Versatile valve 1
Tube( injValve['Col'],  versValve1['1'],   color='green', length=0.202)
Tube( versValve1['4'],  colValve1['In'],   color='green', length=0.160)
Tube( versValve1['2'],  colValve2['In'],   color='green', length=0)

# Versatile valve 2
Tube( colValve1['Out'], versValve2['4'],   color='green', length=0.167)
Tube( colValve2['Out'], versValve2['2'],   color='green', length=0)
Tube( versValve2['1'],  uvSens['In'],      color='green', length=0.229)
```







Conclusion

Orbit has shown that it is possible to define complex downstream configurations and advanced sequence structures in a modular and for the user convenient way.

*Example of **orbit** code*

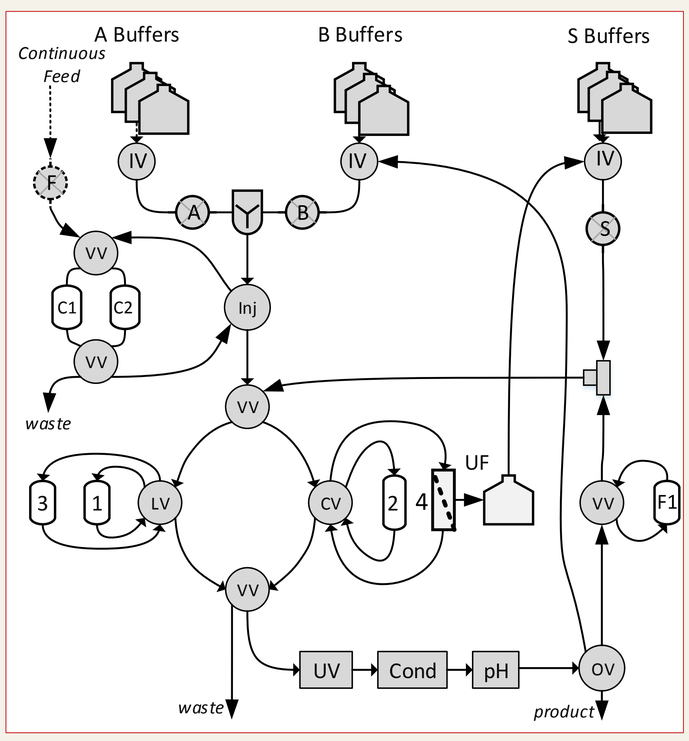
```
Load = {'Time': 30,
        'FlowRate':1
        'Inject': True}

Wash = {'Time': 30,
        'Inject': False}

Elu  = {'Time':  60,
        'Gradient': 1}

Chrom = [Load,Wash,Elu]

s.runFunc(Chrom)
```

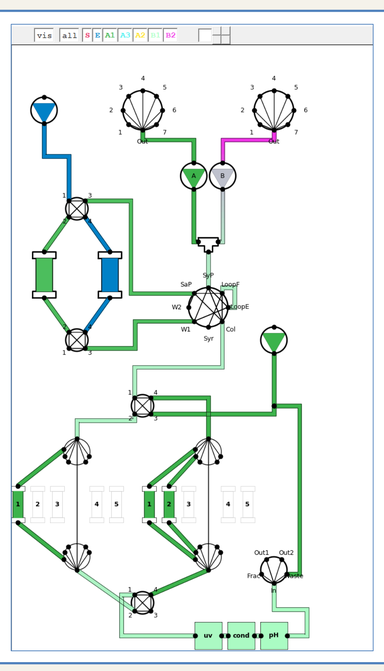
orbit

This is the actual sequential controller that executes actions based on events that is automatically generated from **go_orbit**.

Actions are set flow rates, switch valve positions, get sensor values, start peak integration,… etc

Events are often a given time. Other events are sensor values or peak integration value.

The orbit controller run autonomous.

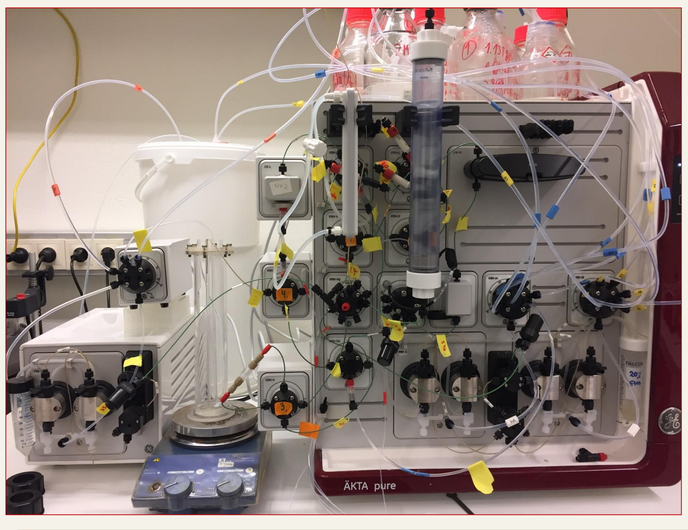


sim_orbit

A system simulator based on automatically generated information from orbit:
i) the configuration, ii) control sequence and iii) a model library of all units available.

The simulator makes it possible to estimate the performance of the sequence:

- Buffer flow path and consumption
- Cleaning of complete configuration
- Check of complete cycle



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