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Abstract

Due to the significant ecological relevance and constantly rising prices, energy consumption more and more gets into the focus of manufacturing companies which strive to consciously consider energy consumption when planning and managing production facilities. Thereby it is important to take into account the interdependencies on different hierarchical levels in a production system (between single processes and the whole process chain). Against this background this paper presents an approach for a combined application of an energy oriented process chain simulation and a detailed process simulation. This approach enables an integrated evaluation of the interactions of parameter variations on both levels.



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