

OPTIMIZATION AND ALGORITHMS PROJECT

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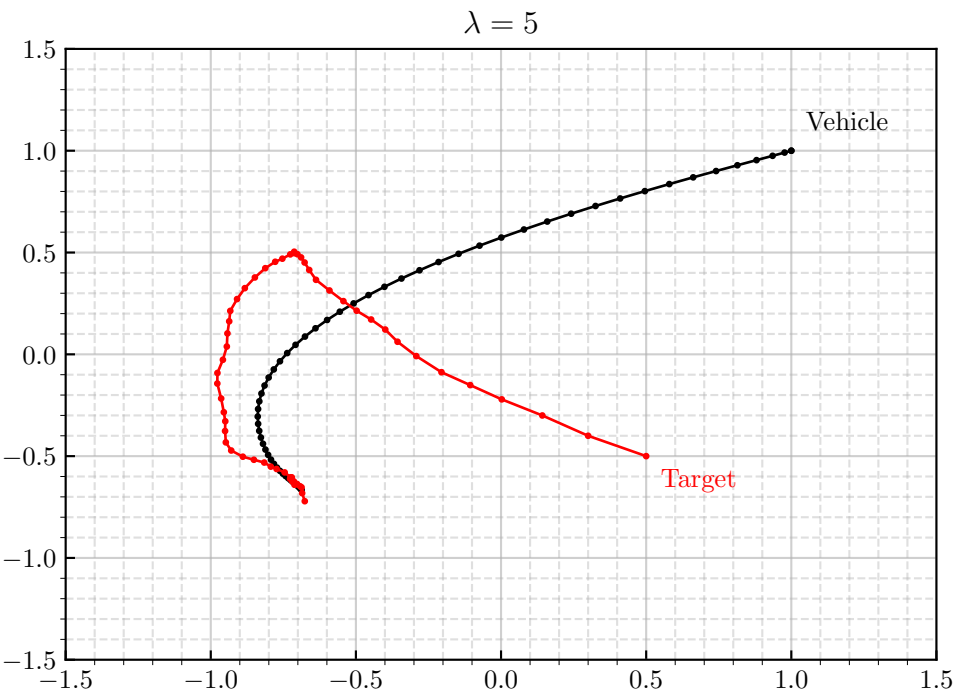
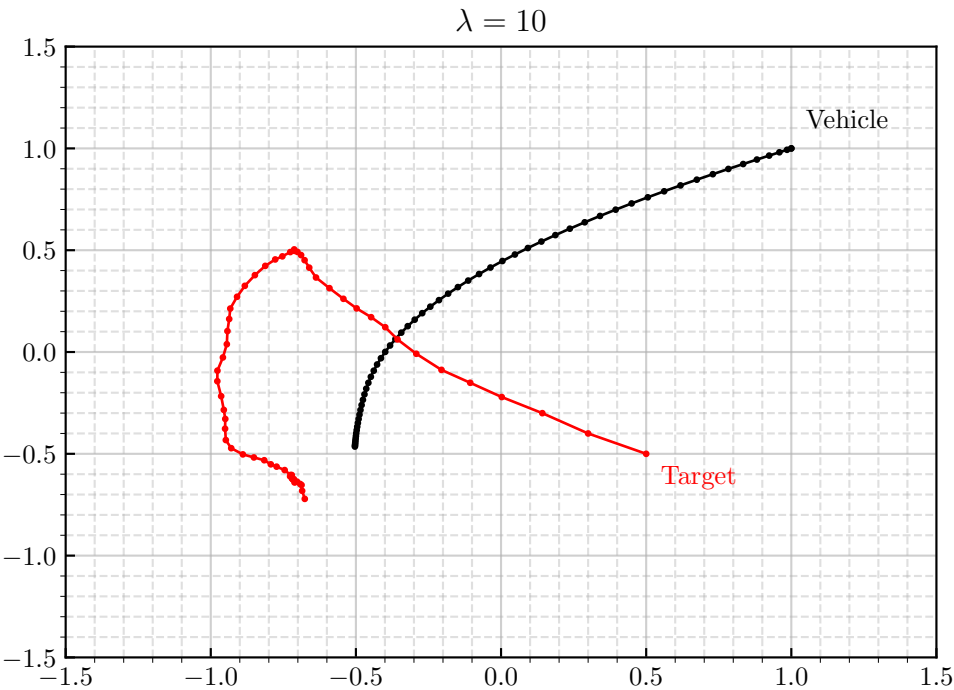
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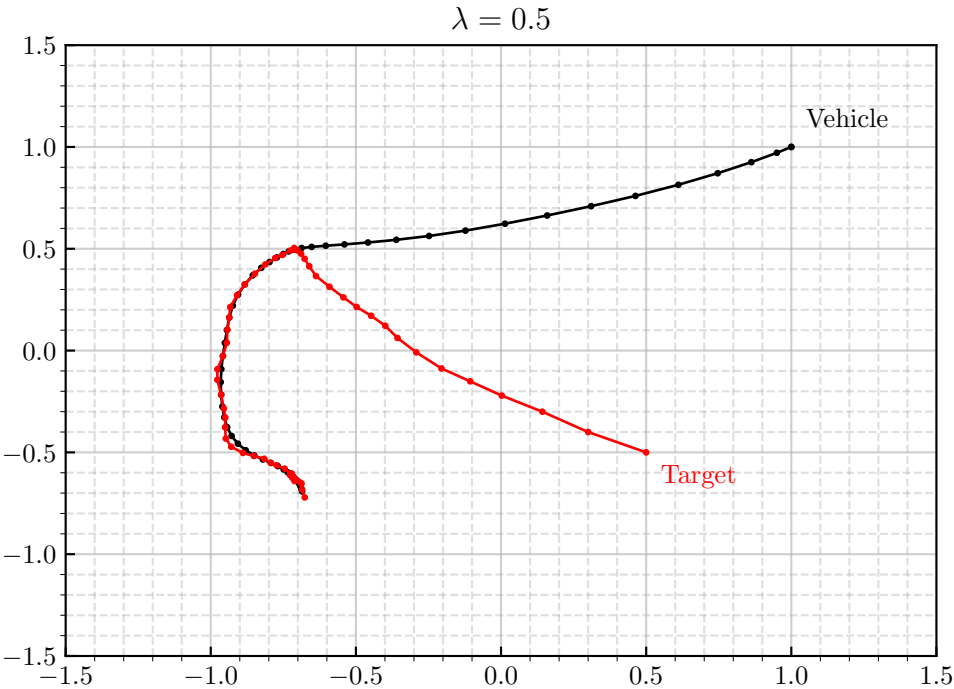
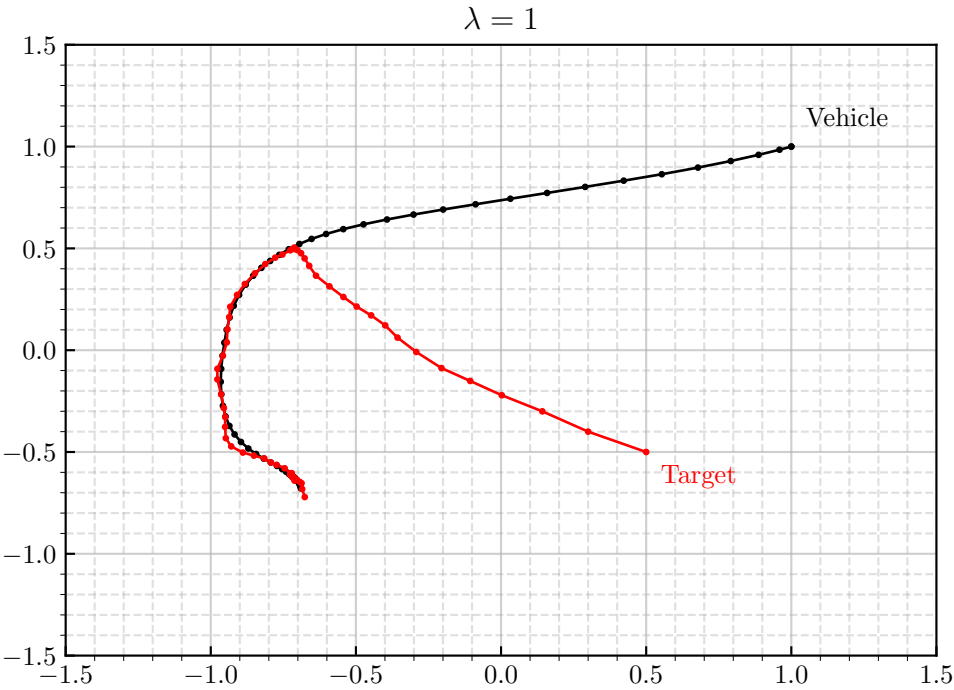
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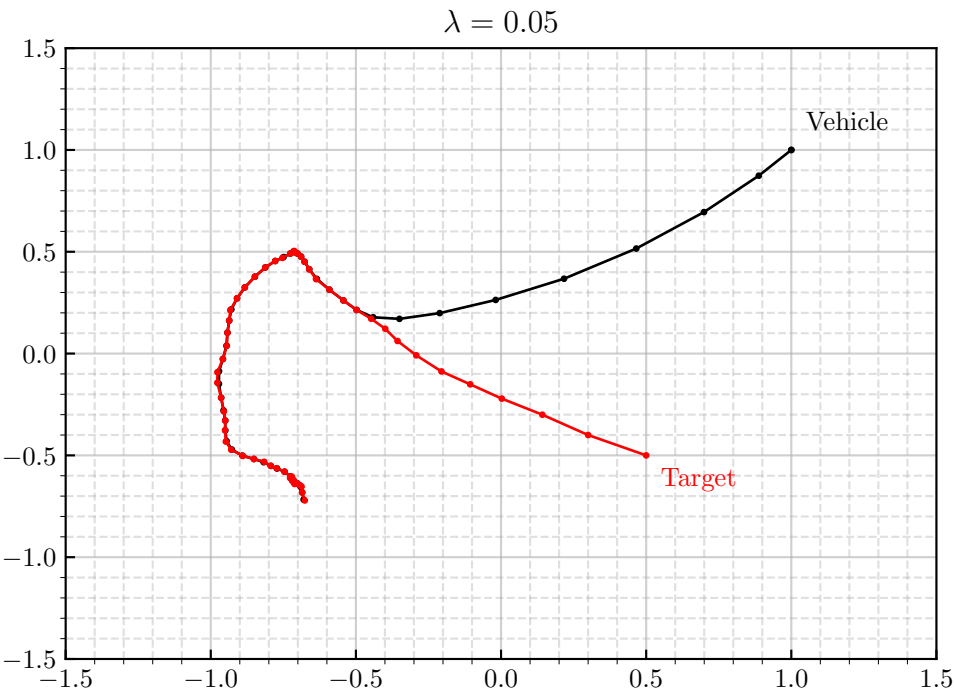
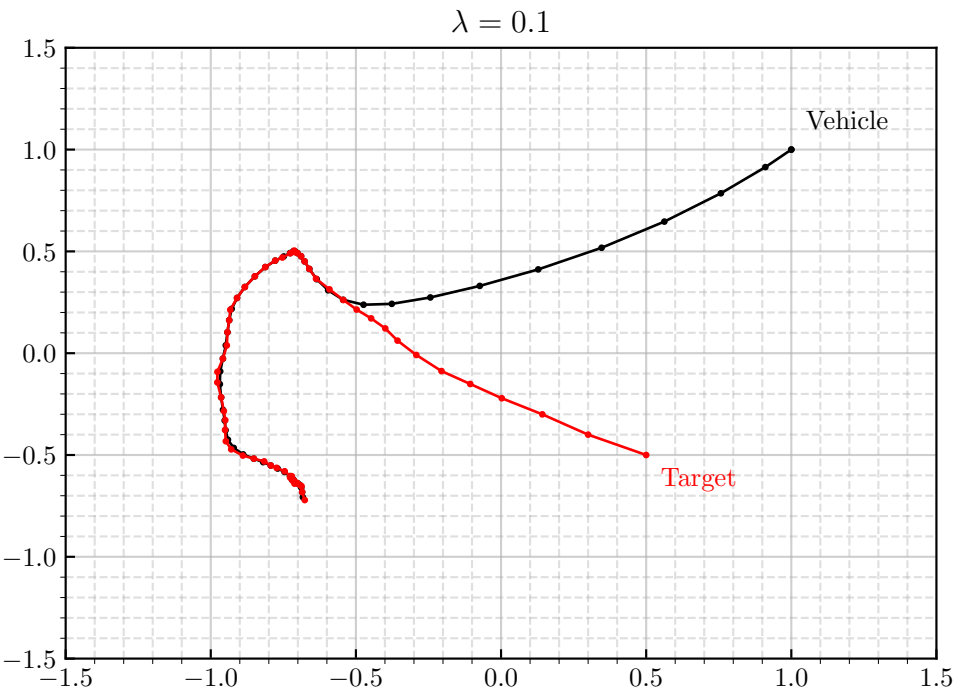
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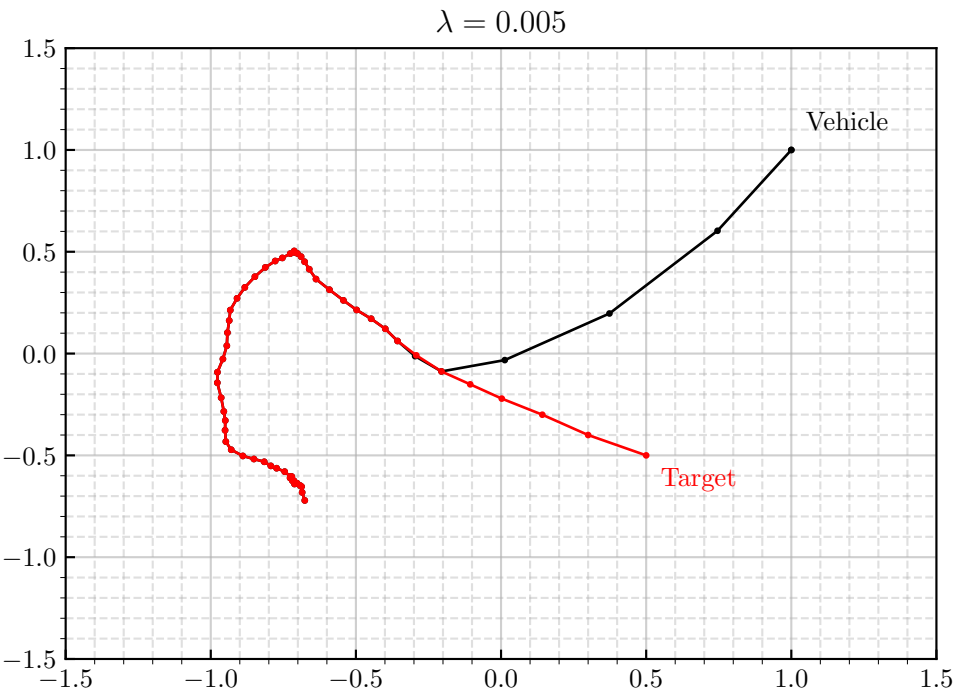
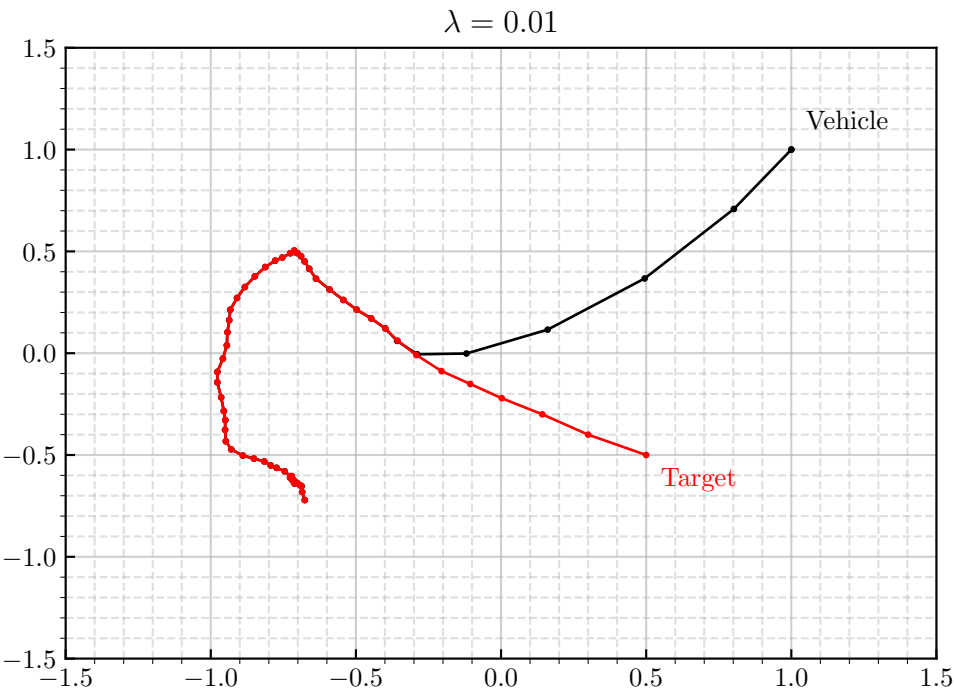
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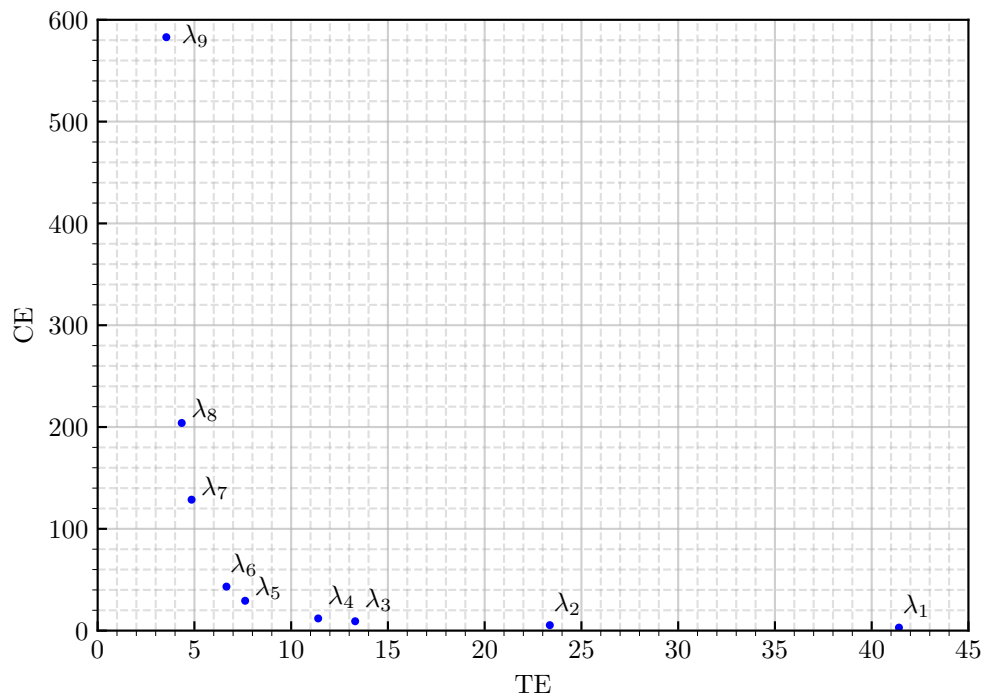
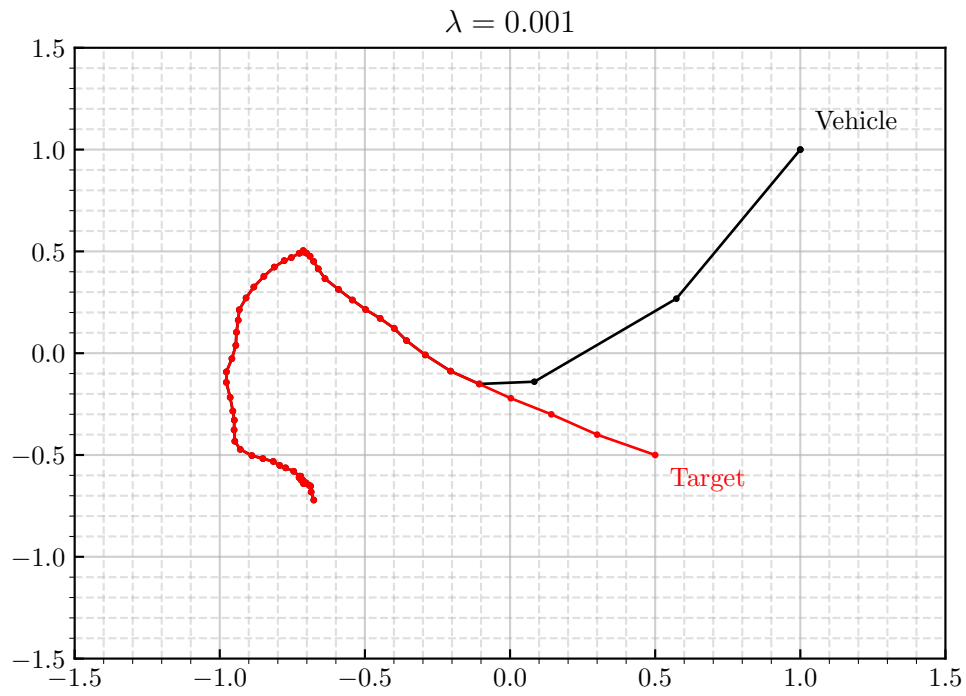
1 Task 1











When the parameter λ increases, the Tracking Error and Control Effort associated with the optimal solution of the resulting optimization problem increases and decreases, respectively.

2 Task 2

Let (x_a, u_a) and (x_b, u_b) denote the minimizers obtained after solving the given optimization problem for $\lambda = \lambda_a$ and $\lambda = \lambda_b$, respectively. Let $\text{TE}(x, u)$ and $\text{CE}(x, u)$ denote the Tracking Error and Control Effort for a given value of $(x, u) = (x(1), \dots, x(T), u(1), \dots, u(T-1))$, respectively. Then, suppose that $\text{TE}(x_a, u_a) \leq \text{TE}(x_b, u_b)$.

Since (x_b, u_b) minimizes the given optimization problem for $\lambda = \lambda_b$, it follows that:

$$\text{TE}(x_b, u_b) + \lambda_b \text{CE}(x_b, u_b) \leq \text{TE}(x_a, u_a) + \lambda_b \text{CE}(x_a, u_a) \quad (1)$$

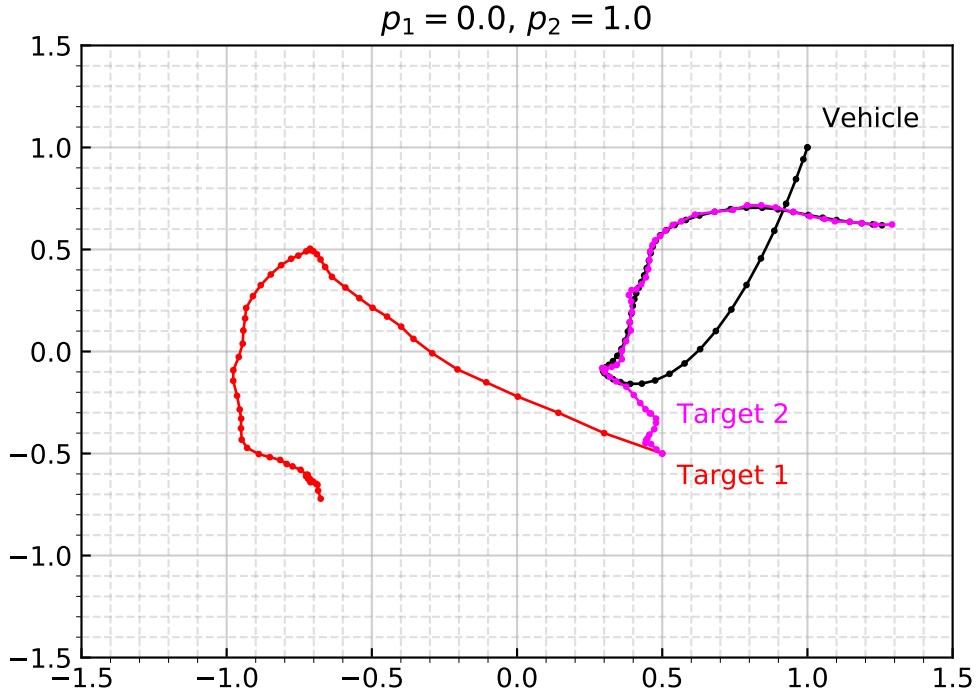
$$\leq \text{TE}(x_b, u_b) + \lambda_b \text{CE}(x_a, u_a) \quad (2)$$

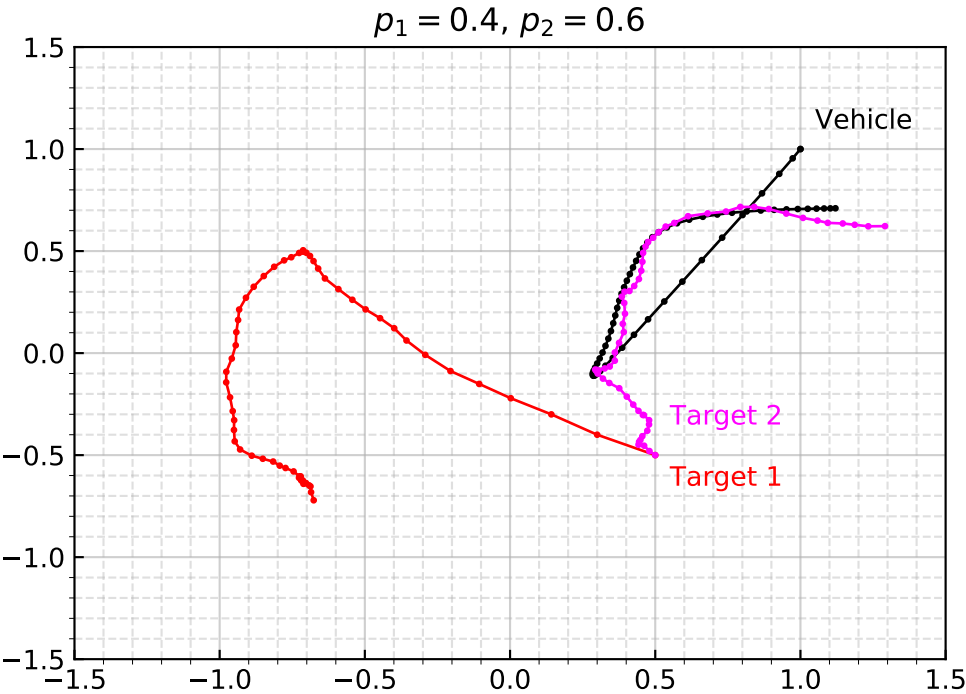
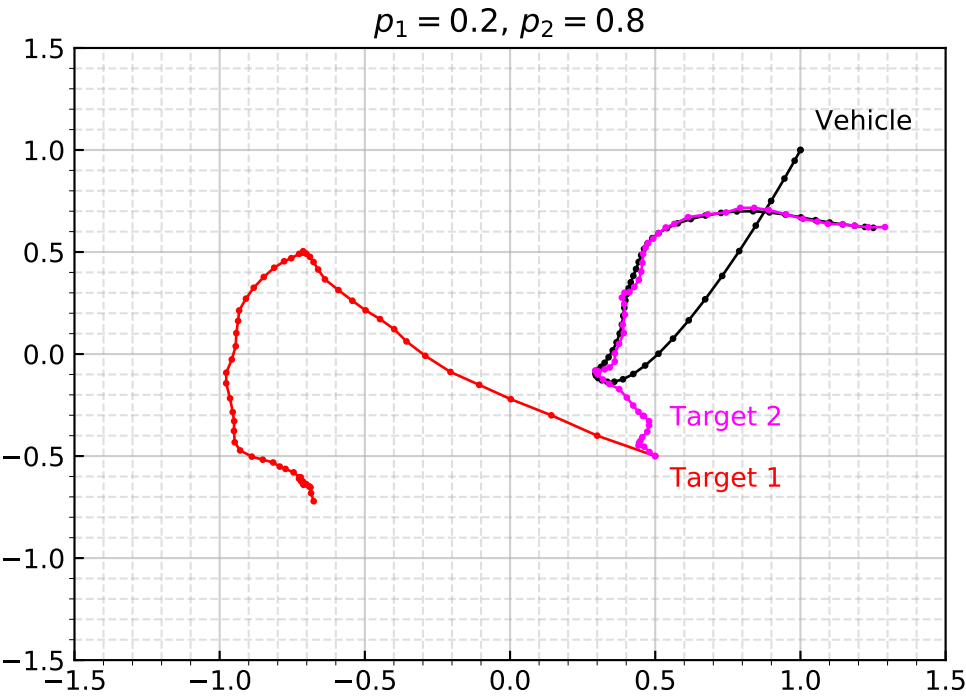
where we used the hypothesis that $\text{TE}(x_a, u_a) \leq \text{TE}(x_b, u_b)$ to derive (2) from (1). In particular, we have that:

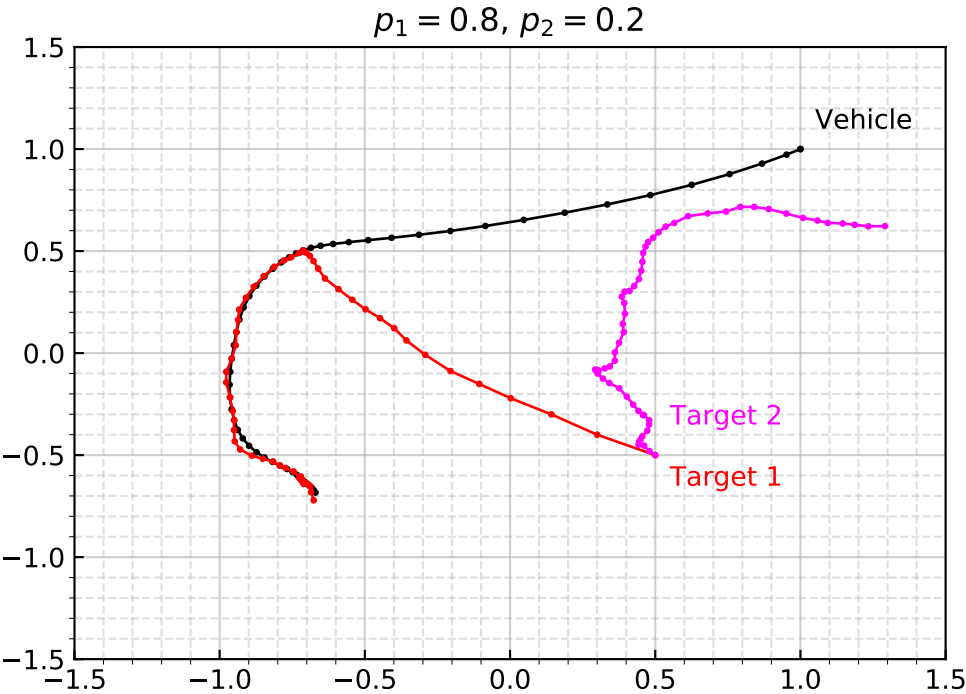
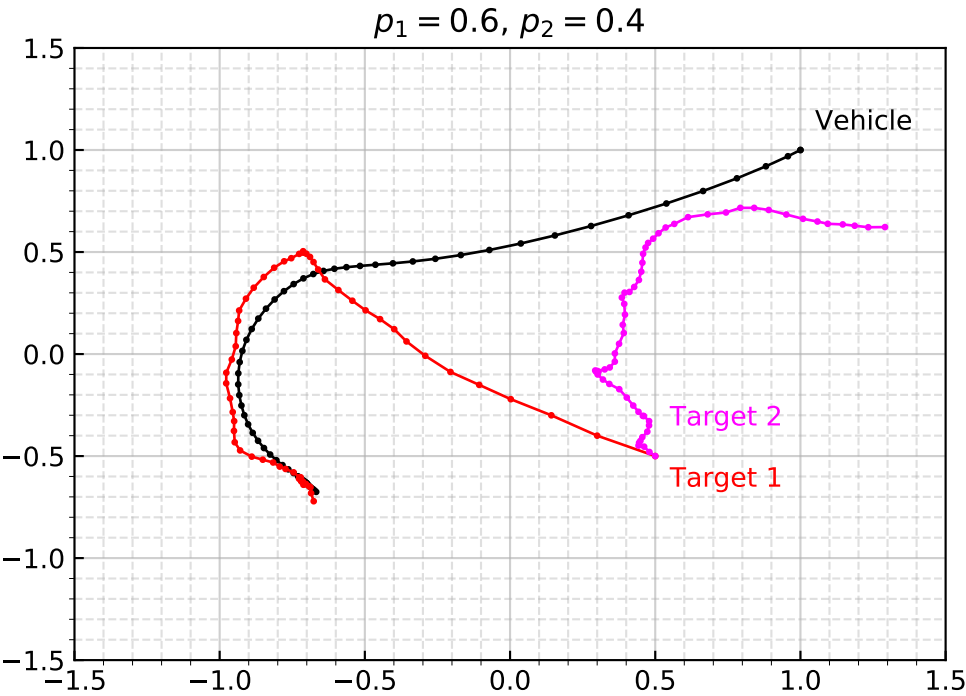
$$\begin{aligned} \text{TE}(x_b, u_b) + \lambda_b \text{CE}(x_b, u_b) &\leq \text{TE}(x_b, u_b) + \lambda_b \text{CE}(x_a, u_a) \\ \Leftrightarrow \lambda_b \text{CE}(x_b, u_b) &\leq \lambda_b \text{CE}(x_a, u_a) \\ \Leftrightarrow \text{CE}(x_b, u_b) &\leq \text{CE}(x_a, u_a) \end{aligned}$$

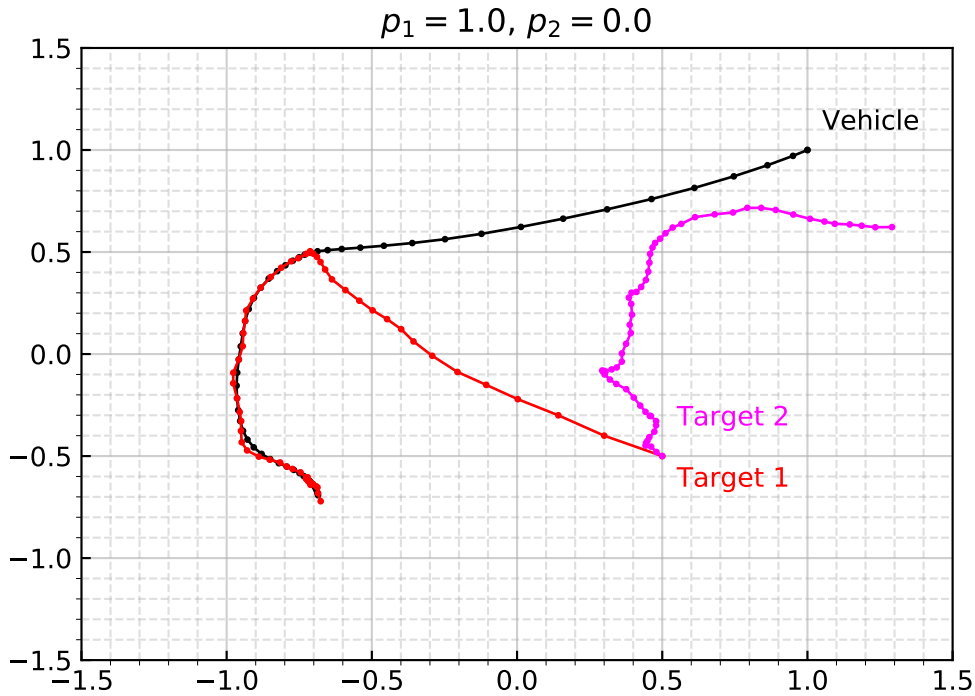
with the last inequality coming from the fact that $\lambda_b > 0$. We have thus proven the desired result. \square

3 Task 4









From the results, we can see that the tracker chooses the trajectory with the highest probability. However, if the probability is not 100%, it is noticeable an "hesitation", the tracker prefers to follow the one with highest probability, but deviated towards the other.

4 Task 5

The given formulation doesn't include that, until $t = 34$, the tracker will simply follow the minimum cost path between trajectory 1 and 2. Only at $t = 35$ will the tracker follow the true target. Also, there is no coupling between (x_1, u_1) and (x_2, u_2) .

5 Task 6

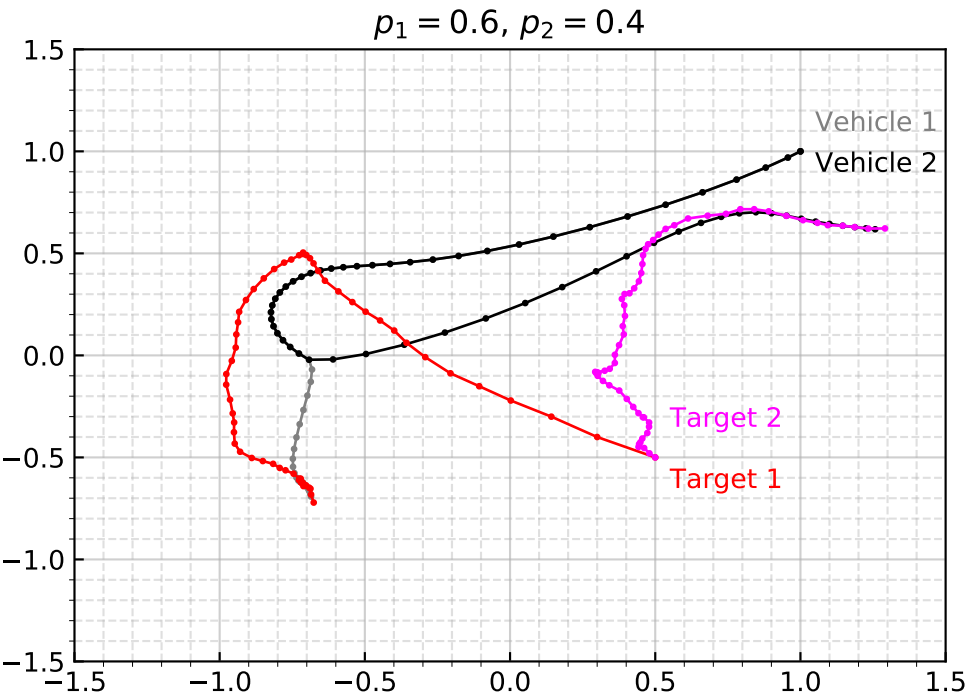
The following constraint solves the questions raised in the previous task:

$$u_1(t) = u_2(t), \quad \text{for } 1 \leq t \leq 34 \quad (3)$$

Note that x_1 and x_2 become coupled (for $1 \leq t \leq 34$) by these constraints together with (3):

$$\begin{aligned} x_1(t+1) &= Ax_1(t) + Bu_1(t), \quad \text{for } 1 \leq t \leq T-1 \\ x_2(t+1) &= Ax_2(t) + Bu_2(t), \quad \text{for } 1 \leq t \leq T-1 \end{aligned}$$

6 Task 7



Appendices

A First appendix

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