

Dynamic Game

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Static	Static optimization	Static Game
Dynamic	Dynamic Optimization	Dynamic Game

Action space

Time space	Model based	Finite	Infinite
	Discrete	Discrete time MDP $P(s_{t+1} s_t, a_t)$	Discrete-time dynamic system $x_{t+1} = f(x_t, u_t)$
	Continuous	Continuous time MDP $P(s_{t+h} s_t, a_t)$	Continuous-time dynamic system $\dot{x}_t = f(x_t, u_t)$

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	Continuous	Continuous time Markov Game	CT-time Infinite dynamic game (differential game)

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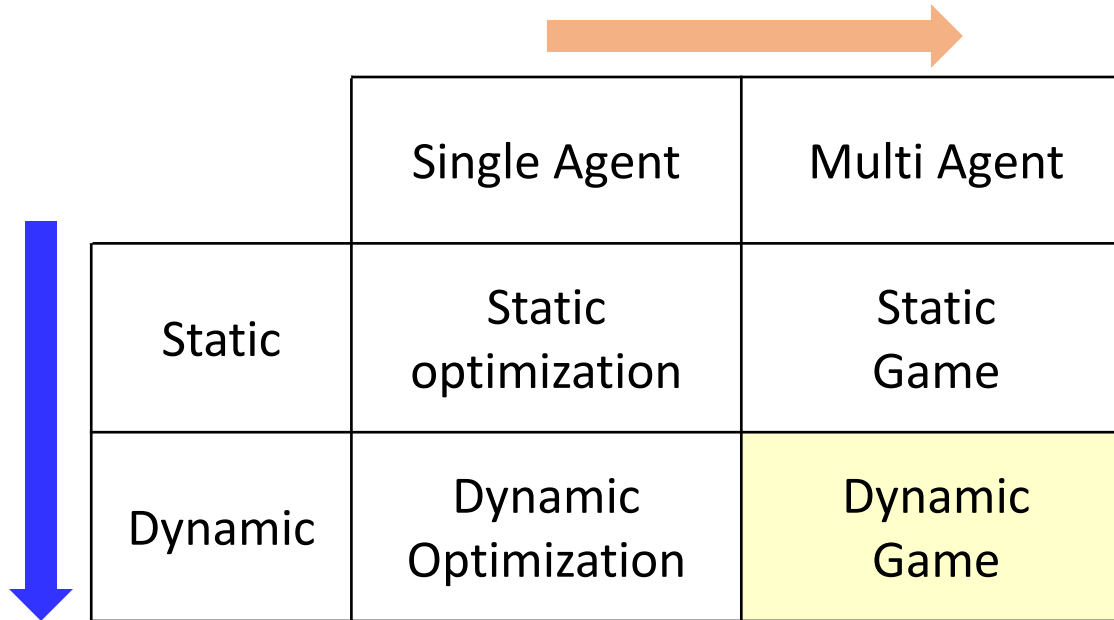
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Dynamic optimization as a static optimization concept:

- Minimum principle (necessary condition)
- Dynamic programming principle (sufficient condition)
- Need to specify information structure

$$\begin{aligned} L^{1*} &\triangleq L^1(u^{1*}; u^{2*}; \dots; u^{N*}) \leq L^1(u^1; u^{2*}; \dots; u^{N*}), \\ L^{2*} &\triangleq L^2(u^{1*}; u^{2*}; \dots; u^{N*}) \leq L^2(u^{1*}; u^2; \dots; u^{N*}), \\ &\dots \\ L^{N*} &\triangleq L^N(u^{1*}; u^{2*}; \dots; u^{N*}) \leq L^N(u^{1*}; u^{2*}; \dots; u^{N*}) \end{aligned}$$

(Think in normal form game setting)

Basic Principle to Analyze Dynamic Games

Equilibrium concept:

(Dynamic) Information structure		Nash	Zero-sum	Stackelberg
	Open-loop (perfect state)	Open-loop Nash-Strategy	Open-loop Zero-sum Strategy	
	Feedback (perfect state)	Feedback Nash-Strategy	Feedback Zero-sum Strategy	
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- We need to specify *information structure*
 - ✓ Open-loop vs. close-loop (feedback)
 - ✓ Perfect vs. imperfect
- We need to *equilibrium concept*
 - ✓ Nash, Zero-sum, Stackelberg, Correlated,...

Equilibrium concept + **information structure** → **solution method**

Non-Cooperative Game:

- **Discrete-time Infinite Dynamic Game**
 - ✓ Definition
 - ✓ Information Structure
 - ✓ **Open-loop Nash Equilibrium** Strategy
 - ✓ **Minimum principle** to derive the equilibrium strategy
 - ✓ **Feedback Nash Equilibrium** Strategy
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 - ✓ Structural Dynamic Game and its various solutions

Discrete-time Infinite Dynamic Game

Definition (N-person discrete-time deterministic infinite dynamic game)

N-person discrete-time deterministic infinite dynamic game involves:

- players' index set $\mathbf{N} = \{1, \dots, N\}$
- The stage of game index set $\mathbf{K} = \{1, \dots, K\}$
- state of game at stage $k \in \mathbf{K}$, x_k
- Action of \mathbf{P}_i at stage $k \in \mathbf{K}$, $u_k^i \in U_i^k$ where U_i^k denotes permissible action set
- A state equation of dynamic game, $f_k: X \times U_1^1 \times \dots \times U_1^N \rightarrow X$ defined for $\forall k \in \mathbf{K}$,

$$x_{t+1} = f_k(x_k, u_k^1, \dots, u_k^N),$$

defined for each $k \in \mathbf{K}$ describes the evolution of the game

- Observation of \mathbf{P}_i at stage k , $y_k^i \in Y_k^i$
- state measurement $h_k^i: X \rightarrow Y_k^i$

$$y_k^i = h_k^i(x_k), \quad k \in \mathbf{K}, i \in \mathbf{N}$$

DT: Definition

Definition (N-person discrete-time deterministic infinite dynamic game)

- Information structure(pattern) $\eta_k^i \in N_k^i$

$$N_k^i \subset \{Y_1^1, \dots, Y_k^1; \dots; Y_1^N, \dots, Y_k^N; U_1^1, \dots, U_{k-1}^1; \dots; U_1^N, \dots, U_{k-1}^N\}$$

determines the information gained and recalled by P_i at stage k

- A strategy of \mathbf{P}_i at stage k , $\gamma_k^i: N_k^i \rightarrow U_k^i$ maps information to action set, and its aggregation $\gamma^i = \{\gamma_1^i, \dots, \gamma_K^i\}$ defines strategy of \mathbf{P}_i in game
- A cost function of P_i ,

$$L^i: (X \times U_1^1 \times \dots \times U_1^N) \times \dots \times (X \times U_K^1 \times \dots \times U_K^N) \rightarrow R$$

defined for each $i \in \mathbf{N}$

- ✓ L^i is the accumulated cost for player i
- ✓ Goal : \mathbf{P}_i wants to find strategy $\gamma^i = \{\gamma_1^i, \dots, \gamma_K^i\}$ which minimize L_i given available information η_k^i

DT: Definition

Normal form description of a dynamic game

- For each fixed initial state x_1 and for each fixed N –tuple permissible strategies $\{\gamma^i \in \Gamma^i; i \in \mathbf{N}\}$ the extensive form description leads to a unique set of vectors $\{u_k^i \triangleq \gamma_k^i(\eta_k^i), x_{k+1}; i \in \mathbf{N}, k \in \mathbf{K}\}$
 - ✓ because of the causal nature of the information structure
 - ✓ the state evolves according to a difference equation.
- Substitution of these quantities into $L^i(i \in \mathbf{N})$ clearly leads to a unique N –tuple of numbers reflecting the corresponding costs to the players.
- This further implies existence of a composite mapping

$$J^i: \Gamma^1 \times \dots \times \Gamma^N \rightarrow \mathbf{R}, \text{ for each } i \in \mathbf{N}$$

which is known as the cost functional of $\mathbf{P}i$ ($i \in \mathbf{N}$)

- Hence, the permissible strategy spaces of the players $(\Gamma^1, \dots, \Gamma^N)$ together with these cost functions (J^1, \dots, J^N) constitute the normal form description of the dynamic game for each fixed initial state vector x_1

There is no difference between **infinite discrete-time dynamic games** and **finite games**

➤ **allows us to use static game equilibrium concept to analyze the dynamic game**

DT: Definition

Definition (stage-additive cost function)

In a N -person discrete-time deterministic dynamic game of pre-specified fixed duration (i.e., K stages), P^i 's cost functional is said to be stage-additive if there exist $g_k^i: X \times X \times U_k^1 \times \dots \times U_k^N \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$, ($k \in K$), so that

$$L^i(u^1, \dots, u^N) = \sum_{k=1}^K g_k^i(x_{k+1}, u_k^1, \dots, u_k^N, x_k)$$

where

$$u^j = (u_1^{j'}, \dots, u_K^{j'})'$$

Furthermore, if $L^i(u^1, \dots, u^N)$ depends on only on x_{K+1} , (the termination state), then we call it a terminal cost functional.

- State-additive cost function is widely used for optimal control or dynamic game

We call that P_i' 's information structure η_k^i is

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|----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| i. (OL) open-loop information pattern if | $\eta_k^i = \{x_1\}$ |
| ii. (CLPS) closed-loop perfect state information pattern if | $\eta_k^i = \{x_1, \dots, x_k\}, k \in \mathbf{K}$ |
| iii. (CLIS) closed-loop imperfect state information pattern if | $\eta_k^i = \{y_1^i, \dots, y_k^i\}, k \in \mathbf{K}$ |
| iv. (MPS) memoryless perfect state information pattern if | $\eta_k^i = \{x_1, x_k\}, k \in \mathbf{K}$ |
| v. (FB) feedback perfect state information pattern if | $\eta_k^i = \{x_k\}, k \in \mathbf{K}$ |
| vi. (FIS) feedback imperfect state information pattern if | $\eta_k^i = \{y_k^i\}, k \in \mathbf{K}$ |

- With each information structure η_k^i , action $u_k^i \triangleq \gamma_k^i(\eta_k^i)$ can be realized
- Under the information structure, the Nash solution is referred “*open-loop Nash equilibrium solution*” or “*feedback Nash equilibrium solution*”

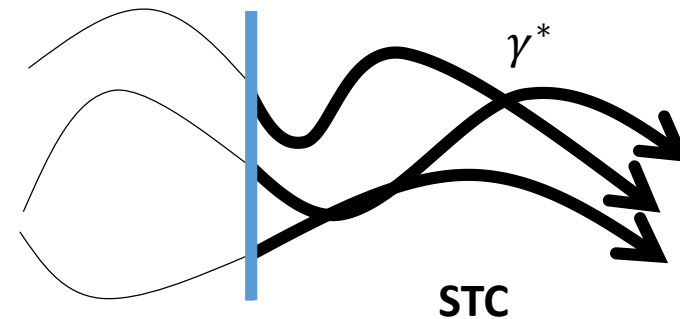
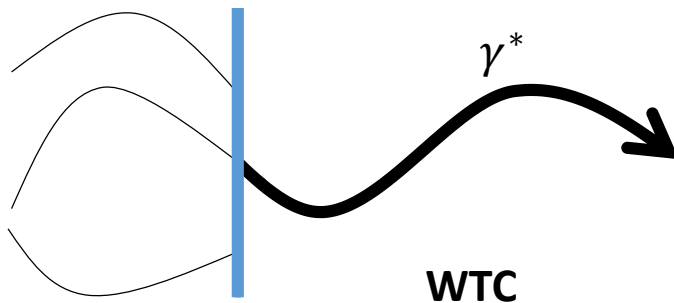
Time Consistency

Definition (Weakly time consistent)

An N-tuple of policies γ^* is **weakly time consistent** if its truncation to the interval $[s, T]$, $\gamma_{[s,T]}^*$ solves the truncated game $D_{[s,T]}^{\gamma^*}$, this being so for all $s \in (0, T]$

Definition (Strongly time consistent on subgame perfect)

An N-tuple of policies γ^* is **strongly time consistent** if its truncation to the interval $[s, T]$, $\gamma_{[s,T]}^*$ solves the truncated game $D_{[s,T]}^{\gamma^*}$, **for every $\gamma_{[0,s]}$** , this being so for all $s \in (0, T]$



- In both case, players have no reason to deviate from strategy
- Difference lies in the consistency of past actions with **the adopted strategies**

DT: Nash Equilibrium Strategy (Formulation)

Definition (Nash equilibrium in **discrete time** dynamic game : action space)

N – tuple of strategies $\{\gamma^{i*}(\cdot) \in \Gamma^i; i \in N\}$ constitutes a Nash equilibrium (for any information set) if it satisfies following inequalities for all $u^{i*} = \gamma^{i*}(\cdot), i \in N$

$$\begin{aligned} L^{1*} &\triangleq L^1(u^{1*}; u^{2*}; \dots; u^{N*}) \leq L^1(u^1; u^{2*}; \dots; u^{N*}), \\ L^{2*} &\triangleq L^2(u^{1*}; u^{2*}; \dots; u^{N*}) \leq L^2(u^{1*}; u^2; \dots; u^{N*}), \\ &\vdots \\ L^{N*} &\triangleq L^N(u^{1*}; u^{2*}; \dots; u^{N*}) \leq L^N(u^{1*}; u^{2*}; \dots; u^N), \end{aligned}$$

Here, $u^i \triangleq \{u_i^1, \dots, u_i^K\}$ is the aggregate action of \mathbf{P}_i

Definition (Nash equilibrium in **discrete time** dynamic game : strategy space)

N – tuple permissible strategies $\{\gamma^{i*} \in \Gamma^i; i \in \mathbf{N}\}$ constitutes a Nash equilibrium solution if, and only if, the following inequalities are satisfied for all $\{\gamma^i \in \Gamma^i; i \in \mathbf{N}\}$

$$\begin{aligned} J^{1*} &\triangleq J^1(\gamma^{1*}; \gamma^{2*}; \dots; \gamma^{N*}) \leq J^1(\gamma^1; \gamma^{2*}; \dots; \gamma^{N*}), \\ J^{2*} &\triangleq J^2(\gamma^{1*}; \gamma^{2*}; \dots; \gamma^{N*}) \leq J^2(\gamma^{1*}; \gamma^2; \dots; \gamma^{N*}), \\ &\vdots \\ J^{N*} &\triangleq J^N(\gamma^{1*}; \gamma^{2*}; \dots; \gamma^{N*}) \leq J^N(\gamma^{1*}; \gamma^{2*}; \dots; \gamma^N), \end{aligned}$$

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DT: Open-loop Nash Equilibrium Strategy (Solution Method)

Open-Loop Nash equilibria : Information set $\eta_k^i = \{x_1\}$

- Identical to optimal control problem for each \mathbf{P}_i , since open-loop control does not depend on other's control
- The minimum principle provides optimal control $u^{i*} = (u_1^{i*}, \dots, u_K^{i*}) \forall i \in N$ and corresponding state trajectory, $(x_1^{i*}, \dots, x_K^{i*})$
- Optimal open-loop NE strategy $\gamma^{i*}(x_1)$ is weekly time consistent, as it cannot provide optimal strategy out of optimal trajectory

The Minimum Principle

Consider the following optimal control problem defined by

$$L(u) = \int_0^T g(t, x(t), u(t)) dt + q(T, x(T))$$

where the state variable $x(t)$ satisfies the differential equation:

$$\dot{x}(t) = f(t, x(t), u(t)), \quad x(0) = x_0, \quad t \geq 0$$

Theorem (The minimum principle)

In the continuous time dynamic system defined by equation (1) and (2), optimal control $u^*(t)$ and corresponding trajectory $x^*(t)$ satisfy following equations:

$$H(t, \lambda, x, u) := g(t, x, u) + \lambda(t)f(t, x, u)$$

$$\dot{x}^*(t) = f(t, x^*, u^*) \left(= \frac{\partial H(t, x^*, u^*, \lambda)}{\partial \lambda} \right), x^*(0) = x_0;$$

$$\dot{\lambda}^*(t) = -\frac{\partial H(t, \lambda, x^*, u^*)}{\partial x}; \lambda^*(T) = \frac{\partial h(x^*(T))}{\partial x}$$

$$u^*(t) = \operatorname{argmin}_{u \in U} H(t, \lambda^*, x^*, u)$$

DT: Open-loop Nash Equilibrium Strategy (Solution Method)

Definition (open-loop Nash equilibria in discrete time dynamic game)

If $\gamma^{i*}(x_1) = u^{i*}$ provides an open-loop Nash equilibrium, and $\{x_k^*, k \in \mathbf{K}\}$ is corresponding state trajectory, there exists costate vectors $\{p_1^i, \dots, p_K^i\}$ for each $i \in \mathbf{N}$ such that:

$$H_k^i(x_k, u_k^1, \dots, u_k^N, p_{k+1}^i) := g_k^i(x_k, u_k^1, \dots, u_k^N) + p_{k+1}^i f_k(x_k, u_k^1, \dots, u_k^N)$$

$$x_{k+1}^* = f_k(x_k^*, u_k^{1*}, \dots, u_k^{N*}), \quad x_1^* = x_1$$

$$\gamma_k^{i*}(x_1) = u_k^{i*} = \arg \min_{u_k^i \in U_k^i} H_k^i(x_k^*, u_k^{1*}, \dots, u_k^{i-1*}, u_k^i, u_k^{i+1*}, \dots, u_k^{N*}, p_{k+1}^i)$$

$$p_k^i = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} f_k(x_k^*, u_k^{1*}, \dots, u_k^{N*}) p_{k+1}^i + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} g_k^i(x_k^*, u_k^{1*}, \dots, u_k^{N*}), \quad p_K^i = 0$$

$$\forall k \in \mathbf{K}, i \in \mathbf{N}$$

상대방의 action이 optimal하게 고정되었다는 가정하에 minimum principle이 모든 agent와 모든 시간 instance에 대해 정의된다.

- **Feedback Nash equilibria**
 - initial state information is known a priori
 - *depend only on the time variable and current value of the state*
 - $x_k \in \eta_k^i$
 - Feedback NE solution provides NE for any subgame defined in $\{s, s + 1, \dots, K\}$ for all $s \in \mathbf{K}$
- N person feedback game in extensive form
 - Recursive procedure to obtain NE of finite game
- Feedback strategy $\gamma^{i*}(\cdot)$ is strongly time consistent

DT: Feedback Nash Equilibrium Strategy (Solution Method)

Definition (feedback Nash equilibria in discrete time dynamic game)

Level K

$$\begin{cases} L^1(\gamma_1^1, \dots, \gamma_{K-1}^1, \gamma_K^{1*}; \gamma_1^2, \dots, \gamma_{K-1}^2, \gamma_K^{2*}; \dots; \gamma_1^N, \dots, \gamma_{K-1}^N, \gamma_K^{N*}) \leq L^1(\gamma_1^1, \dots, \gamma_{K-1}^1, \gamma_K^{1*}; \gamma_1^2, \dots, \gamma_{K-1}^2, \gamma_K^{2*}; \dots; \gamma_1^N, \dots, \gamma_{K-1}^N, \gamma_K^{N*}) \\ L^2(\gamma_1^1, \dots, \gamma_{K-1}^1, \gamma_K^{1*}; \gamma_1^2, \dots, \gamma_{K-1}^2, \gamma_K^{2*}; \dots; \gamma_1^N, \dots, \gamma_{K-1}^N, \gamma_K^{N*}) \leq L^2(\gamma_1^1, \dots, \gamma_{K-1}^1, \gamma_K^{1*}; \gamma_1^2, \dots, \gamma_{K-1}^2, \gamma_K^{2*}; \dots; \gamma_1^N, \dots, \gamma_{K-1}^N, \gamma_K^{N*}) \\ \vdots \\ L^K(\gamma_1^1, \dots, \gamma_{K-1}^1, \gamma_K^{1*}; \gamma_1^2, \dots, \gamma_{K-1}^2, \gamma_K^{2*}; \dots; \gamma_1^N, \dots, \gamma_{K-1}^N, \gamma_K^{N*}) \leq L^K(\gamma_1^1, \dots, \gamma_{K-1}^1, \gamma_K^{1*}; \gamma_1^2, \dots, \gamma_{K-1}^2, \gamma_K^{2*}; \dots; \gamma_1^N, \dots, \gamma_{K-1}^N, \gamma_K^{N*}) \end{cases}$$

Level $K - 1$

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Level 1

$$\begin{cases} L^1(\gamma_1^{1*}, \gamma_2^{1*}, \dots, \gamma_K^{1*}; \gamma_1^{2*}, \gamma_2^{2*}, \dots, \gamma_K^{2*}; \dots; \gamma_1^{N*}, \gamma_2^{N*}, \dots, \gamma_K^{N*}) \leq L^1(\gamma_1^{1*}, \gamma_2^{1*}, \dots, \gamma_K^{1*}; \gamma_1^{2*}, \gamma_2^{2*}, \dots, \gamma_K^{2*}; \dots; \gamma_1^{N*}, \gamma_2^{N*}, \dots, \gamma_K^{N*}) \\ L^2(\gamma_1^{1*}, \gamma_2^{1*}, \dots, \gamma_K^{1*}; \gamma_1^{2*}, \gamma_2^{2*}, \dots, \gamma_K^{2*}; \dots; \gamma_1^{N*}, \gamma_2^{N*}, \dots, \gamma_K^{N*}) \leq L^2(\gamma_1^{1*}, \gamma_2^{1*}, \dots, \gamma_K^{1*}; \gamma_1^{2*}, \gamma_2^{2*}, \dots, \gamma_K^{2*}; \dots; \gamma_1^{N*}, \gamma_2^{N*}, \dots, \gamma_K^{N*}) \\ \vdots \\ L^N(\gamma_1^{1*}, \gamma_2^{1*}, \dots, \gamma_K^{1*}; \gamma_1^{2*}, \gamma_2^{2*}, \dots, \gamma_K^{2*}; \dots; \gamma_1^{N*}, \gamma_2^{N*}, \dots, \gamma_K^{N*}) \leq L^N(\gamma_1^{1*}, \gamma_2^{1*}, \dots, \gamma_K^{1*}; \gamma_1^{2*}, \gamma_2^{2*}, \dots, \gamma_K^{2*}; \dots; \gamma_1^{N*}, \gamma_2^{N*}, \dots, \gamma_K^{N*}) \end{cases}$$

- **Backward Induction:**

DT: Feedback Nash Equilibrium Strategy (Solution Method)

Definition (feedback Nash equilibria in discrete time dynamic game)

For N-person discrete time infinite dynamic game, the set of strategies $\{\gamma_k^{i*}(x_k); k \in K, i \in N\}$ provides **feedback Nash equilibrium** solution if and only if there exists functions $V^i(k, \cdot): R^n \rightarrow R$ such that following recursive relations are satisfied:

$$\begin{aligned} V^i(k, x) &= \min_{u_k^i \in U_k^i} \left[g_k^i \left(x, \gamma_k^{1*}(x), \dots, u_k^i, \dots, \gamma_k^{N*}(x) \right) + V^i \left(k + 1, \tilde{f}_k^{i*} \left(x, u_k^i \right) \right) \right] \\ &= g_k^i \left(x, \gamma_k^{1*}(x), \dots, \gamma_k^{i*}(x), \dots, \gamma_k^{N*}(x) \right) + V^i \left(k + 1, \tilde{f}_k^{i*} \left(x, \gamma_k^{i*}(x) \right) \right); \\ V^i(K + 1, x) &= 0, \quad \forall i \in N \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\tilde{f}_k^{i*}(x, u_k^i) \triangleq f_k \left(x, \gamma_k^{1*}(x), \dots, \gamma_k^{i-1*}(x), u_k^i, \gamma_k^{i+1*}(x), \dots, \gamma_k^{N*}(x) \right)$$

Every such equilibrium solution is strongly time consistent, and corresponding NE cost for \mathbf{P}_i is $V^i(1, x_1)$

- **Employ HJB equation (Dynamic Programming Principle)**
- Apply Best response principle for every time step (**rationality**), and the best responses of all the players are consistent (**consistency**)

DT: Feedback Nash Equilibrium Strategy (Solution Method)

- **Proof Sketch:**

In definition, the first set of N inequalities have to hold for all $\gamma_k^i \in \Gamma_k^i$ implies that they have to hold for all state x_k which are reachable by combination of strategies.

At time k , set of inequalities becomes equivalent to the problem of seeking Nash equilibria of N -person static game with cost functional

$$g_{k-1}^i(x_{k-1}, u_{k-1}^1, \dots, u_{k-1}^N) + V^i(k, x_k), \quad i \in N,$$

where

$$x_k = f_{k-1}(x_{k-1}, u_{k-1}^1, \dots, u_{k-1}^N)$$

Here, we observe that the Nash equilibrium controls can only be functions of x_{k-1} , and previous theorem provides a set of necessary and sufficient conditions for $\{\gamma_{k-1}^{i*}(x_{k-1}); i \in N\}$ to solve this static Nash game.

Continuous-time Infinite Dynamic Game

CT: Definition

Definition (N-person continuous-time deterministic infinite dynamic game, **differential game**)

N-person differential game involves:

- players' index set $\mathbf{N} = \{1, \dots, N\}$
- A time interval $[0, T]$ which is specified *a priori*, duration of the evolution of game
- Permissible state trajectories of the game, $\{x(t), 0 \leq t \leq T\}$
- control function(or simply control) of P_i , $\{u_i(t), 0 \leq t \leq T\}$
- A differential equation

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = f(t, x(t), u^1(t), \dots, u^N(t)), \quad x(0) = x_0$$

whose solution describes the state trajectory of the game

- state information gained and recalled by \mathbf{P}_i at time t , $\eta^i(t)$
- strategy of \mathbf{P}_i γ^i , with property $u^i(t) = \gamma^i(t, \eta^i(t))$ cost function of \mathbf{P}_i in the differential game L^i ,

$$L^i(u^1, \dots, u^N) = \int_0^T g^i(t, x(t), u^1(t), \dots, u^N(t))dt + q^i(x(T))$$

Goal :player \mathbf{P}_i wants to find strategy γ^i which minimize L_i given available information $\eta^i(t)$

CT: Information Structure

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CT: Open-loop Nash Equilibrium Strategy (Formulation)

- We consider N – person dynamic game defined in continuous time

$$\frac{dx(t)}{dt} = f(t, x(t), u^1(t), \dots, u^N(t)), \quad x(0) = x_0$$

and cost functional

$$L^i(u^1, \dots, u^N) = \int_0^T g^i(t, x(t), u^1(t), \dots, u^N(t))dt + q^i(x(T))$$

CT: Open-loop Nash Equilibrium Strategy (Formulation)

Definition (Nash equilibrium in discrete time dynamic game : action space)

N – tuple of strategies $\{\gamma^{i*}(\cdot) \in \Gamma^i; i \in N\}$ constitutes a Nash equilibrium (for any information set) if it satisfies following inequalities for all $u^{i*} = \gamma^{i*}(\cdot), i \in N$

$$\begin{aligned} L^{1*} &\triangleq L^1(\mathbf{u}^{1*}; u^{2*}; \dots; u^{N*}) \leq L^1(\mathbf{u}^1; u^{2*}; \dots; u^{N*}), \\ L^{2*} &\triangleq L^2(u^{1*}; \mathbf{u}^{2*}; \dots; u^{N*}) \leq L^2(u^{1*}; \mathbf{u}^2; \dots; u^{N*}), \\ &\vdots \\ L^{N*} &\triangleq L^N(u^{1*}; u^{2*}; \dots; \mathbf{u}^{N*}) \leq L^N(u^{1*}; u^{2*}; \dots; \mathbf{u}^N), \end{aligned}$$

Here, $u^i(t) \in S^i$ is the action of \mathbf{P}_i chosen at time $t \in [0, T]$

Definition (Nash equilibrium in discrete time dynamic game : strategy space)

N – tuple permissible strategies $\{\gamma^{i*} \in \Gamma^i; i \in \mathbf{N}\}$ constitutes a Nash equilibrium solution if, and only if, the following inequalities are satisfied for all $\{\gamma^i \in \Gamma^i; i \in \mathbf{N}\}$

$$\begin{aligned} J^{1*} &\triangleq J^1(\boldsymbol{\gamma}^{1*}; \gamma^{2*}; \dots; \gamma^{N*}) \leq J^1(\boldsymbol{\gamma}^1; \gamma^{2*}; \dots; \gamma^{N*}), \\ J^{2*} &\triangleq J^2(\gamma^{1*}; \boldsymbol{\gamma}^{2*}; \dots; \gamma^{N*}) \leq J^2(\gamma^{1*}; \boldsymbol{\gamma}^2; \dots; \gamma^{N*}), \\ &\vdots \\ J^{N*} &\triangleq J^N(\gamma^{1*}; \gamma^{2*}; \dots; \boldsymbol{\gamma}^{N*}) \leq J^N(\gamma^{1*}; \gamma^{2*}; \dots; \boldsymbol{\gamma}^N), \end{aligned}$$

Here, $\gamma^i(t, \eta^i(t))$ is the strategy of \mathbf{P}_i at time $t \in [0, T]$

CT: Open-loop Nash Equilibrium Strategy (Solution Method)

- Open-Loop Nash equilibria
 - Information set $\eta_k^i = \{x_0\}$
- Identical to optimal control problem for each \mathbf{P}_i , since open-loop control does not depend on other's control
$$\begin{aligned} &\text{minimize } J^i \left(u^{1*}(t), \dots, u^{i-1*}(t), \mathbf{u}^i(t), u^{i+1*}(t), \dots, u^{N*}(t) \right) \\ &\text{s.t } \dot{x}^* = f(t, x^*(t), u^{1*}(t), \dots, u^{i-1*}(t), \mathbf{u}^i(t), u^{i+1*}(t), \dots, u^{N*}(t)) \end{aligned}$$
- The minimum principle provides optimal control $u^{i*}(t) \forall i \in N$ and state trajectory $x^*(t)$
- Optimal open-loop NE strategy $\gamma^{i*}(t, x_0) = u^{i*}(t)$ is weakly time consistent, as it cannot provide optimal strategy out of optimal trajectory

The Minimum Principle

Consider the following optimal control problem defined by

$$L(u) = \int_0^T g(t, x(t), u(t)) dt + q(T, x(T))$$

where the state variable $x(t)$ satisfies the differential equation:

$$\dot{x}(t) = f(t, x(t), u(t)), \quad x(0) = x_0, \quad t \geq 0$$

Theorem (The minimum principle)

In the continuous time dynamic system defined by equation (1) and (2), optimal control $u^*(t)$ and corresponding trajectory $x^*(t)$ satisfy following equations:

$$H(t, \lambda, x, u) := g(t, x, u) + \lambda(t)f(t, x, u)$$

$$\dot{x}^*(t) = f(t, x^*, u^*) \left(= \frac{\partial H(t, x^*, u^*, \lambda)}{\partial \lambda} \right), x^*(0) = x_0;$$

$$\dot{\lambda}^*(t) = -\frac{\partial H(t, \lambda, x^*, u^*)}{\partial x}; \lambda^*(T) = \frac{\partial h(x^*(T))}{\partial x}$$

$$u^*(t) = \operatorname{argmin}_{u \in U} H(t, \lambda^*, x^*, u)$$

CT: Open-loop Nash Equilibrium Strategy (Solution Method)

Definition (Open-loop Nash equilibria in continuous time dynamic game)

If $\gamma^{i*}(t, x_0) = u^{i*}(t)$ provides an open-loop Nash equilibrium, there exists N co-state functions $p^i(\cdot): [0, T] \rightarrow R^n$ for each $i \in N$ such that:

$$\dot{x}^i = f(t, x^*(t), u^{1*}(t), \dots, u^{N*}(t)), x^*(0) = x_0$$

$$\gamma^{i*}(t, x_0) = u^{i*}(t) = \underset{u^i(t)}{\operatorname{argmin}} H^i(t, p^i(t), x^*(t), u^{1*}(t), \dots, u^i(t), \dots, u^{N*}(t))$$

$$\dot{p}^i = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} H^i(t, p^i(t), x^*, u^{1*}(t), \dots, u^{N*}(t))$$

$$\dot{p}^i(T) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} q^i(x^*(T))$$

where

$$H^i(t, p^i, x, u^1, \dots, u^N) := g^i(t, x, u^1, \dots, u^N) + p^i f(t, x, u^1, \dots, u^N)$$

- **Feedback Nash equilibria**
 - ✓ initial state information is known a priori
 - ✓ *depend only on the time variable and current value of the state*
 - ✓ $x(t) \in \eta_t$
 - ✓ Feedback NE solution provides NE for any subgame defined in $[t, T]$ for all $t \in [0, T)$
- Definition of the feedback NE leads to a recursive derivation
 - Value function $V^i(t, x)$, minimum cost-to-go for player i at time t on state x
- Optimal feedback NE strategy $\gamma^{i*}(t, \eta_t)$ is strongly time consistent

CT: Feedback Nash Equilibrium Formulation

Definition (Feedback NE Solution)

An N -tuple of strategies $\{\gamma^{i*} \in \Gamma^i; i \in N\}$ constitutes a feedback Nash equilibrium solution if there exists $V^i(\cdot, \cdot)$ on $[0, T] \times R^n$ s.t.

$$\begin{aligned} V^i(t, x) &= \int_t^T g^i(s, x^*(s), \gamma^{1*}(s, \eta_s), \dots, \gamma^{i*}(s, \eta_s), \dots, \gamma^{N*}(s, \eta_s)) ds + q^i(x^*(T)) \\ &\leq \int_t^T g^i(s, x^*(s), \gamma^{1*}(s, \eta_s), \dots, \gamma^i(s, \eta_s), \dots, \gamma^{N*}(s, \eta_s)) ds + q^i(x^i(T)), \forall \gamma^i \\ &\quad \in \Gamma^i, x \in R^n \end{aligned}$$

Where, on $[t, T]$,

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}^i(s) &= f(s, x^i(s), \gamma^{1*}(s, \eta_s), \dots, \gamma^i(s, \eta_s), \dots, \gamma^{N*}(s, \eta_s)); \quad x^i(t) = x, \\ \dot{x}^*(s) &= f(s, x^*(s), \gamma^{1*}(s, \eta_s), \dots, \gamma^{i*}(s, \eta_s), \dots, \gamma^{N*}(s, \eta_s)); \quad x^*(t) = x \end{aligned}$$

η_s stands for data set $\{x(s), x_0\}$ or $\{x(\sigma), \sigma \leq s\}$, depending on information pattern is MPS or CLPS

CT: Feedback Nash Equilibrium Strategy (Solution Method)

- Time interval restriction, $[t, T]$ provides same differential game with initial state $x(t), \forall t$
- Under either MPS or CLPS information pattern, *feedback NE will depend only on the time variable and current value of the state*, but not on memory.
- If value functions V^i are continuously differentiable in x and t , then N partial differential equations replace previous equation (HJB equation)

Obtaining the optimal control strategy from HJB equation

Theorem

If a continuously differentiable function $V(t, x)$ can be found that satisfies the HJB equation (9), then it generate the optimal strategy through the static (pointwise) minimization problem defined by the RHS of (9)

$$-\frac{\partial V(t, x)}{\partial t} = \min_{u \in U} \left[\frac{\partial V(t, x)}{\partial x} f(t, x, u) + g(t, x, u) \right] \quad (9)$$



$$u^*(t) = \operatorname{argmin}_{u \in U} \left[\frac{\partial V(t, x)}{\partial x} f(t, x, u) + g(t, x, u) \right] \quad (10)$$

CT: Feedback Nash Equilibrium Strategy (Solution Method)

Definition (Feedback NE solution with value function)

For an N person differential game for $[0, T]$ and under either MPS or CLPS, N tuple of strategies $\{\gamma^{i*} \in \Gamma^i, i \in N\}$ provides a feedback Nash equilibrium solution if there exists functions $V^i: \{0, T\} \times R^n \rightarrow R, i \in N$ satisfying the partial differential equations

$$\begin{aligned} -\frac{\partial V^i(t, x)}{\partial t} &= \min_{u^i \in S^i} \left[\frac{\partial V^i(t, x)}{\partial t} \tilde{f}^{i*}(t, x, u^i) + \tilde{g}^{i*}(t, x, u^i) \right] \\ &= \frac{\partial V^i(t, x)}{\partial t} \tilde{f}^{i*}(t, x, \gamma^{i*}(t, x)) + \tilde{g}^{i*}(t, x, \gamma^{i*}(t, x)) \end{aligned}$$

$$V^i(T, x) = q^i(x), \quad \forall i \in N$$

where

$$\tilde{f}^{i*}(t, x, u^i) \triangleq f(t, x, \{\gamma_{-i}^*(t, x), u^i\}),$$

$$\tilde{g}^{i*}(t, x, u^i) \triangleq g^i(t, x, \{\gamma_{-i}^*(t, x), u^i\}),$$

$$\{\gamma_{-i}^*(t, x), u^i\} \triangleq \gamma^{1*}(t, x), \dots, u^i, \dots, \gamma^{N*}(t, x)$$

Every such equilibrium solution is STC, and Nash equilibrium cost of P_i is $V^i(0, x_0)$

Example

Structural Dynamic Control using Game Theory

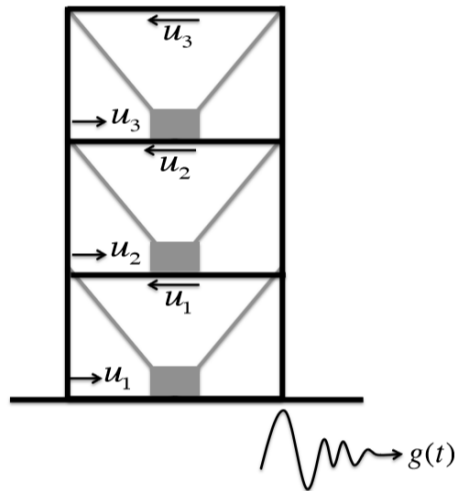
- Linear Quadratic Differential game is defined as follows
 - Cost function for each agent:

$$J_i = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \left\{ x^T(t) Q_i x(t) + \sum_{j=1}^N u_j(t)^T R_{ij} u_j(t) \right\} dt + \frac{1}{2} x^T(T) Q_T x(T)$$

- Dynamics of joint state

$$\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + \sum_{j=1}^N B_j u_j(t) + Eg(t)$$

- Dynamic control of the three story building is expressed as:



$$J_1 = \int_0^\infty \{ x^T Q_1 x + u_1^T R_{11} u_1 + u_2^T R_{12} u_2 + u_3^T R_{13} u_3 \} dt$$

$$J_2 = \int_0^\infty \{ x^T Q_2 x + u_1^T R_{21} u_1 + u_2^T R_{22} u_2 + u_3^T R_{23} u_3 \} dt$$

$$J_3 = \int_0^\infty \{ x^T Q_3 x + u_1^T R_{31} u_1 + u_2^T R_{32} u_2 + u_3^T R_{33} u_3 \} dt$$

$$\dot{x} = Ax + B_1 u_1 + B_2 u_2 + B_3 u_3 + Eg$$

Structural Dynamic Control using Game Theory

Cooperative Control

- The cooperative control policy is derived assuming each agent tries to minimize the commonly shared objective

$$J_1 + J_2 + J_3 = \int_0^\infty \left\{ x^T (Q_1 + Q_2 + Q_3) x + [u_1 u_2 u_3]^T \begin{bmatrix} R_{11} & R_{12} & R_{13} \\ R_{21} & R_{22} & R_{23} \\ R_{31} & R_{32} & R_{33} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{bmatrix} \right\} dt$$

$$J_1 + J_2 + J_3 = \int_0^\infty \{ z^T Q z + u^T R u \} dt$$

- ✓ where $u = [u_1, u_2, u_3]$ is aggregated control action vector
- ✓ Q and R are aggregated accordingly
- Due to the cooperation, the cooperative control problem can be formulated as an optimal control problem and can be solved using optimal control theory

$$PA + A^T P - PSP + Q = 0$$

$$S = BR^{-1}B^T$$

$$u(x) = -R^{-1}B^T Px(t) = F^* x(t)$$

Structural Dynamic Control using Game Theory

Nash Feedback Control

- Assuming the control actions are expressed as linear function of constant gain matrix such that $u_i = F_i x$, we can re-write the cost functions

$$J_1(F_1, F_2, F_3, x_0) = \int_0^\infty \{x^T(Q_1 + F_1^T R_{11} F_1 + F_2^T R_{12} F_2 + F_3^T R_{13} F_3)x\} dt$$

$$J_2(F_1, F_2, F_3, x_0) = \int_0^\infty \{x^T(Q_2 + F_1^T R_{21} F_1 + F_2^T R_{22} F_2 + F_3^T R_{23} F_3)x\} dt$$

$$J_3(F_1, F_2, F_3, x_0) = \int_0^\infty \{x^T(Q_3 + F_1^T R_{31} F_1 + F_2^T R_{32} F_2 + F_3^T R_{33} F_3)x\} dt$$

- Assuming the control actions are expressed as linear function of constant gain matrix such that $u_i = F_i x$, we can re-write the transition functions

$$\dot{x} = (A + B_1 F_1 + B_2 F_2 + B_3 F_3)x + E g$$

Structural Dynamic Control using Game Theory

Nash Feedback Control

- The Nash equilibrium (F_1^*, F_2^*, F_3^*) satisfies the following conditions:

$$J_1(F_1^*, F_2^*, F_3^*, x_0) \leq J_1(F_1, F_2^*, F_3^*, x_0)$$

$$J_2(F_1^*, F_2^*, F_3^*, x_0) \leq J_2(F_1^*, F_2, F_3^*, x_0)$$

$$J_3(F_1^*, F_2^*, F_3^*, x_0) \leq J_3(F_1^*, F_2^*, F_3, x_0)$$

- Nash equilibrium (F_1^*, F_2^*, F_3^*) strategy can be computed by solving the coupled inequality equations
- When agent 2 and 3 are assumed to follow the optimum strategy, the first agent should best respond to the fixed strategies as:

$$F_1^* = \arg \min_{F_1} J_1(F_1, F_2^*, F_3^*, x_0)$$

- When $F_2^* = -R_{22}^{-1} B_2^T P_2$ and $F_3^* = -R_{33}^{-1} B_3^T P_3$ (P_2 and P_3 are unknown matrices), the objection function of player 1 becomes:

$$J_1(F_1, F_2^*, F_3^*, x_0) = \int_0^\infty [x^T \{Q_1 + F_1^T R_{11} F_1 + (-R_{22}^{-1} B_2^T P_2)^T R_{12} (-R_{22}^{-1} B_2^T P_2) \\ (-R_{33}^{-1} B_3^T P_3)^T R_{13} (-R_{33}^{-1} B_3^T P_3)\} x] dt$$

Structural Dynamic Control using Game Theory

Nash Feedback Control

$$J_1(F_1, F_2^*, F_3^*, x_0) = \int_0^\infty [x^T \{Q_1 + F_1^T R_{11} F_1 + (-R_{22}^{-1} B_2^T P_2)^T R_{12} (-R_{22}^{-1} B_2^T P_2) \\ (-R_{33}^{-1} B_3^T P_3)^T R_{13} (-R_{33}^{-1} B_3^T P_3)\} x] dt$$

- Setting $S_{ij} = B_i R_{ii}^{-1} R_{ij} R_{ii}^{-1} B_i^T$, Agent 1 needs to maximize

$$\bar{J}_1(F_1, x_0) = \int_0^\infty \{x^T (Q_1 + P_2 S_{12} P_2 + P_3 S_{13} P_3) x + x^T F_1^T R_{11} F_1 x\} dt$$

- Assuming the following state dynamics

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= (A + B_1 F_1 + B_2 F_2 + B_3 F_3) x + E g \\ &= \{A + B_1 F_1 + B_2 (-R_{22}^{-1} B_2^T P_2) + B_3 (-R_{33}^{-1} B_3^T P_3)\} x + E g \\ &= (A - S_{22} P_2 - S_{33} P_3) x + B_1 F_1 x + E g \end{aligned}$$

- Having formulated the cost function and the system dynamics, while assuming the gain matrices for other controller, we can derive the Riccati equation for player 1:

$$\begin{aligned} (A')^T P_1 + P_1 A' - P_1 S_{11} P_1 + Q' &= 0 \\ (A - S_{22} P_2 - S_{33} P_3)^T P_1 + P_1 (A - S_{22} P_2 - S_{33} P_3) - P_1 S_{11} P_1 + (Q_1 + P_2 S_{12} P_2 + P_3 S_{13} P_3) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Structural Dynamic Control using Game Theory

Two Person Min-Max Game

- To explicitly account for an external load (earthquake), a two player zero-sum game framework can be used. In it, the external load is treated as a fictitious agent competing with controllers. The cost function for the controller is redefined as

$$J_c(u, g, x_0) = \int_0^\infty \{x^T Q x + u^T R u - g^T V g\} dt$$

or the external load is defined as the negative of that for the controller:

$$J_g(u, g, x_0) = -J_c(u, g, x_0) = \int_0^\infty \{-x^T Q x - u^T R u + g^T V g\} dt$$

- the Min-Max control problem is to find the gain matrix $F^*(u^*(t) = F^*(x(t)))$ that minimizes the worst-case cost function incurred by the external load as follows [5]:

$$F^* = \min_{F \in F} \sup_{g \in L_2^q(0, \infty)} J_c(F, g, x_0)$$

$$J_c(F, g, x_0) = \int_0^\infty \{x^T (Q + F^T R F) x - g^T V g\} dt$$

Structural Dynamic Control using Game Theory

Two Person Min-Max Game

- Policies for the controllers and the earthquake are

$$u^*(t) = -R^{-1}B^T P_1 x(t)$$

$$g^*(t) = -V^{-1}E^T P_2 x(t)$$

- Inserting the policy into the cost function:

$$\bar{J}_c(F, x_0) = \int_0^\infty [x^T \{Q + F^T R F - (-V^{-1}E^T P_2)^T V (-V^{-1}E^T P_2)\} x] dt$$

- Setting $M = EV^{-1}ET$

$$\bar{J}_c(F, x_0) = \int_0^\infty [x^T \{(Q - P_2 M P_2) + T F^T R F\} x] dt$$

- State dynamics is expressed as:

$$\dot{x} = Ax + BFx + Eg$$

$$= \{A - E(V^{-1}E^T P_2)\} x + BFx = (A - MP_2)x + BFx$$

Structural Dynamic Control using Game Theory

Two Person Min-Max Game

- Setting $S = BR^{-1}B^T$, $M = EV^{-1}E^T$,

$$(A - MP_2)^T P_1 + P_1(A - MP_2) - P_1SP_1 + (Q - P_2MP_2) = 0$$

$$(A - SP_1)^T P_2 + P_2(A - SP_1) - P_2MP_2 + (-Q - P_1SP_1) = 0$$

- Adding Two equations:

$$(P_1 + P_2)(A - SP_1 - MP_2) + (A - SP_1 - MP_2)^T(P_1 + P_2) = 0$$

- Substituting $P_1 = -P_2 = P$, the above equation becomes

$$A^T P + PA - P(S - M)P + Q = 0$$