## Robust Optimization

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Robust Optimization



- Our work is divided into 4 parts
  - Model of a Car
  - Mathematical problem formulation
  - Implementation
  - Visualization

#### Motivation

- steering a car
- minimize fuel consumption
- constraints
  - avoid crashes
  - dynamics

#### **Problem**

Dynamics change considerably, e.g. for different weather.

→ Robust Optimization

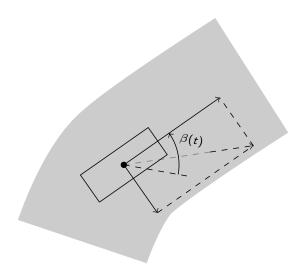


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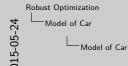


- Our goal is to steer a car such that the fuel consumption is minimal
- · Contraints: Avoid Crashes
  - our car is not allowed to leave the road
  - hit other cars or construction sites
- · Dynamics of the car
- motion of the car
  - slipping behavior
  - acceleration behavior
- Problem: Changing weather has a major impact on the slipping behavior
  - we cannot drive fast on icy roads
  - Rain causes aquaplaning
- · Way out: Robust Optimization
- This Optimization method takes changing parameters such as weather into account.
  - Car is steered save for changing conditions such as weather, different roads...

#### Model of Car









Model of Car

- Our car is described as a pointmass, for simplicity
- Road is visualized in gray
- Car as a rectangle
- steering angle is denoted by  $\beta(t)$ 
  - We applied Newton's mechanic
  - The motion/ direction of motion is described with
    - The steering angle  $\beta(t)$
    - The acceleration force pushing the car forward
    - The central forces
    - If the speed of the car is to high, it slides and may leave the road.

### Dynamical System

$$\dot{x}(t) = G(x(t), u(t), \rho) \qquad x(0) = x_0,$$

where

$$x \in C^1([0,t_f],\mathbb{R}^{n_x})$$
 is the state variable,  $u \in C^1([0,t_f],\mathbb{R}^{n_u})$  is the control variable,  $p \in \mathbb{R}^{n_p}$  is the uncertain parameter vector.



- Motion of the car is described as a dynamical system, i.e., with a ODE and an initial value
- t<sub>f</sub> is the final time
- our states: path, velocity, steering angle
- control: brake, motor torque (gas petal), steering angle velocity
- parameter: weather, rolling friction coefficients, uncertain sea level due to wrong NAVI data

## Optimal Control Problem

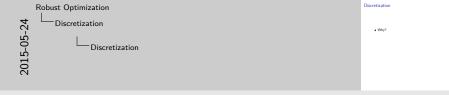
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s.t.  $\dot{x}(t) = G(x(t), u(t), p)$ 
 $x(0) = x_0,$ 
 $f_i(x, u) \leq 0$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n_f$ .



#### Discretization

• Why?





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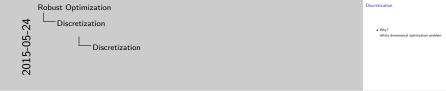
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#### Discretization

- Why? infinte dimensional optimization problem
- How?

$$0 \qquad \frac{t_f}{n} \qquad \qquad \frac{(n-1)t_f}{n} \quad t_f$$



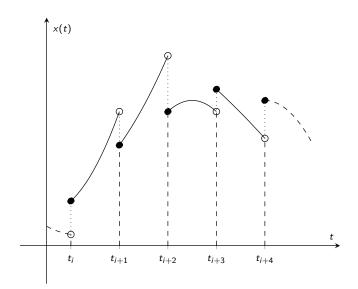
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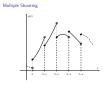


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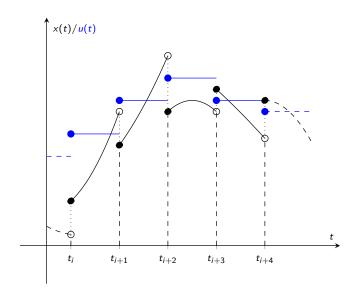


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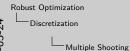


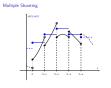


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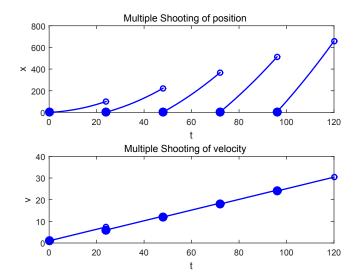






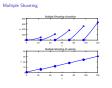


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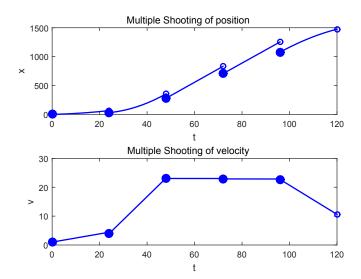






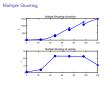


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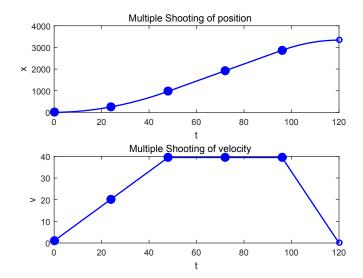








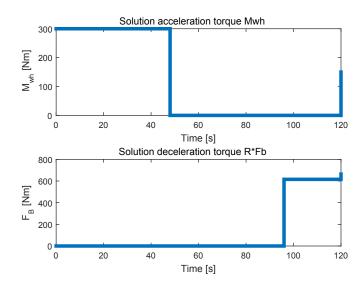
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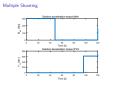


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#### Constraints for Parameters

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x}, u \in \mathbb{R}^{n_u}} f_0(x, u)$$
 s.t. 
$$f_i(x, u) \leq 0 \qquad \qquad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n_f$$
 
$$g_i(x, u, p) = 0 \qquad \qquad \text{for } j = 1, \dots, n_x,$$

where  $p \in \mathbb{R}^{n_p}$  is an uncertain parameter vector.

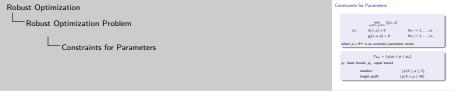
$$\mathbb{P}_{box} = \{ p | p_I \le p \le p_u \}$$

 $p_l$ : lower bound,  $p_u$ : upper bound

weather: 
$$\{ p | 0 \le p \le 1 \}$$

height profil:  $\{ p | 0 \le p \le 45 \}$ 





I think this might not be clear: Both, the weather and height are  $\in \mathbb{R}^{n_p}$  or not necessarily the same dimension?

Later, you write pinPhox

#### Worst Case Formulation

EXAMPLE?

$$\Phi_i(u) = \max_{x \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x}, p \in \mathbb{R}^{n_p}} f_i(x, u)$$

s.t. 
$$g(x, u, p) = 0$$
  $p \in \mathbb{P}_{box}$ 

#### Robust Counterpart

$$\min_{u\in\mathbb{R}^{n_u}}\Phi_0(u)$$

s.t. 
$$\Phi_i(u) \leq 0$$
 for  $i = 1, \dots, n_f$ .

⇒ bilevel structure!

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Robust Optimization Problem

Worst Case Formulation

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## Approximation Technique

#### Linearization

s.t.

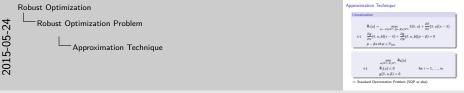
$$\begin{split} \tilde{\Phi}_i(u) &= \max_{(x-\bar{x}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_x}, (p-\bar{p}) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_p}} f_i(\bar{x}, u) + \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x}(\bar{x}, u)(x - \bar{x}) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(\bar{x}, u, \bar{p})(x - \bar{x}) + \frac{\partial g}{\partial p}(\bar{x}, u, \bar{p})(p - \bar{p}) = 0 \\ & p - \bar{p}s.th.p \in \mathbb{P}_{hox} \end{split}$$

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⇒ Standard Optimization Problem (SQP or else)

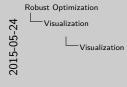
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# Visualization



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