

# Model Predictive Control

## Litterature Notes

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## 1 A basic formulation

We assume that state values cannot be measured, thus we need an observer. So we use state estimates  $\hat{x}(k|k)$  of  $x(k|k)$  indicating that it is a measurement that is based on all states up until time  $k$ . It is based on  $u(k-1)$  and not  $u(k)$  since that input has not been determined yet.  $\hat{u}(k+i|k)$  denotes the future values at time  $k+i$  on input  $u$  which is assumed on time  $k$ . This means that  $i$  is some horizon, and  $u(k+j|k), j=0,1,\dots,i-1$  is the inputs at each time step. we have the cost function:

$$V = \sum_{i=H_w}^{H_p} \|\hat{z}(k+i|k) - r(k+i|k)\|_{Q(i)}^2 + \sum_{i=0}^{H_u-1} \|\Delta\hat{u}(k+i|k)\|_{R(i)}^2 \quad (1)$$

where  $r(k+i|k)$  is a reference trajectory and  $\hat{z}(k+i|k)$  is the controlled outputs. The prediction horizon has length  $H_p$  but  $H_w$  indicates the prediciton window, which determines when to start penalizing. If  $H_w > 1$  then we only penalize from that point forward, as there may be some delay between control inputs and effects.  $H_u$  is the control horizon, where  $H_u \leq H_p$  and future control differences between  $\Delta\hat{u}(k+i|k) = 0$  and  $\Delta\hat{u}(k+i|k)$  where  $i > H_u$ . Note that the cost function in (1) only penalizes changes in  $u$  and not  $u$  itself. The matrices  $Q(i)$  and  $R(i)$  are weights and both positive semidefinite  $(\cdot) \geq 0$

## 2 Constraints

There are different constraints, which are assumed to hold over the entire control- and prediction horizon.

$$E \text{ vec}(\Delta\hat{u}(k|k), \dots, \Delta\hat{u}(k+H_u-1|k), 1) \leq \text{vec}(0) \quad (2)$$

$$F \text{ vec}(\Delta\hat{u}(k|k), \dots, \hat{u}(k+H_u-1|k), 1) \leq \text{vec}(0) \quad (3)$$

$$G \text{ vec}(\hat{z}(k+H_w|k), \dots, \hat{z}(k+H_p|k), 1) \leq \text{vec}(0) \quad (4)$$

where  $E, F$ , and  $G$  are matrices of suitable dimensions. (2) can be used to represent actuator slew rate (change of input of an actuator), actuator ranges (3), and control variable constraints on  $z$  based on (4)