

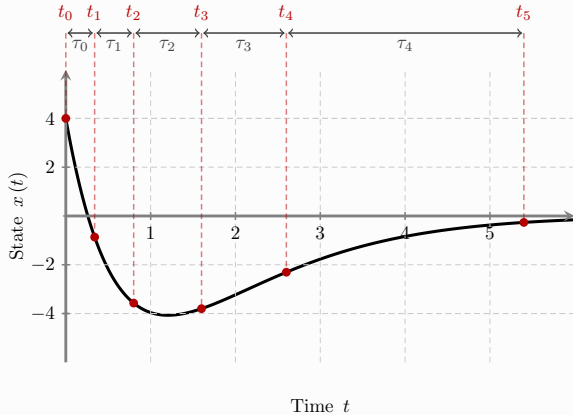
# The Optimal Sampling Pattern for Linear Control Systems

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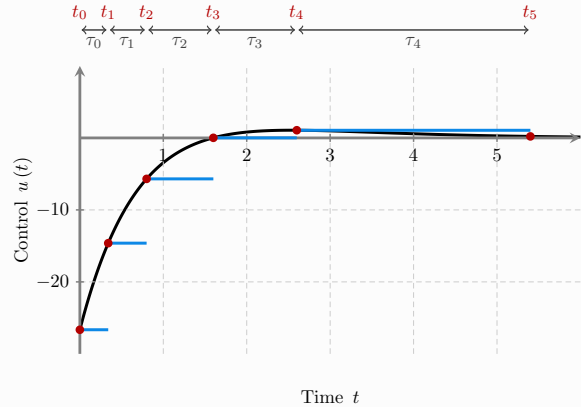
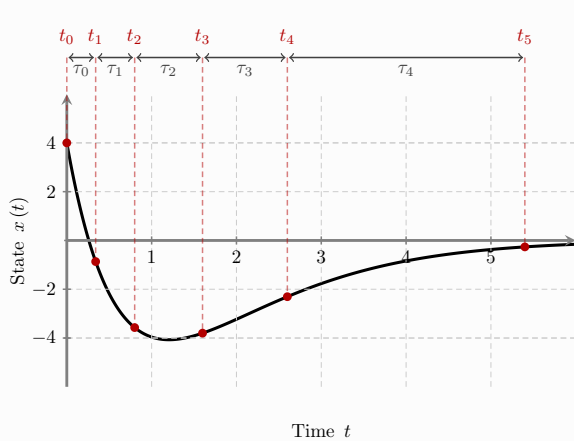
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## Sampling

- ▶  $\{t_0, t_1, \dots, t_N\}$ : Sampling pattern
- ▶  $t_k$ : Sampling instants
- ▶  $\tau_k = t_{k+1} - t_k$ : Interarrival times

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## THE PROBLEM

Given

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}(t) &= A x(t) + B u(t) \\ x(0) &= x_0 \end{cases}$$

- ▶ We restrict  $u(t)$  to be in the class of piecewise constant functions and denote it as  $\bar{u}(t)$
- ▶ Finite horizon  $[0, T]$
- ▶ Number  $N$  of control updates

find

- ▶ Sampling instants  $0 = t_1 < \dots < t_N = T$
- ▶ Piecewise constant  $\bar{u}(t) = u_k, \quad \forall t \in [t_{k-1}, t_k)$

that minimizes the performance index

$$\text{▶ } \mathcal{J}(\bar{u}) = \int_0^T (x'(t) Q x(t) + \bar{u}'(t) R \bar{u}(t)) dt + x'(T) S x(T)$$



## QUADRATIC PERFORMANCE INDEX

$$\mathcal{J}(\bar{u}) = \int_0^T \left( x'(t) \underbrace{Q}_{\succeq} x(t) + \bar{u}'(t) \underbrace{R}_{\succ} \bar{u}'(t) \right) dt + x'(T) \underbrace{S}_{\succeq} x(T)$$
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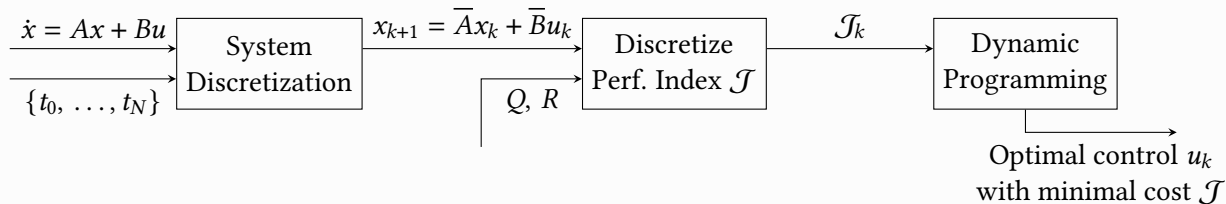
- ▶  $x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ : system state
- ▶  $u(t) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ : system input
- ▶  $A, B, Q, R, S$ : constant matrices

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- ▶ Results



## OPTIMAL CONTROL: CONTINUOUS-TIME SYSTEMS

$$\text{minimize}_u \int_0^T \left( x'(t) Q x(t) + u'(t) R u(t) \right) dt + x(T)' S x(T)$$

Riccati equation for continuous-time systems

$$\begin{cases} \dot{K}(t) &= K(t) B R^{-1} B' K(t) - A' K(t) - K(t) A - Q, \\ K(T) &= S \end{cases}$$

which gives us the optimal control  $u(t) = -R^{-1} B' K(t) x(t)$

with achieved cost

$$\mathcal{J}_\infty = x_0' K(0) x_0$$



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$$\Phi(\tau) = e^{A\tau}$$

State Matrix

$$\bar{B}_k = \Gamma(\tau_k)$$

$$\Gamma(\tau) = \int_0^\tau e^{A(\tau-t)} dt B$$

Input Matrix

## PERFORMANCE INDEX FOR DISCRETE-TIME SYSTEMS

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**Intuition:** define a *backward recursive function* that gives the minimal achievable cost from the current state onward.



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## DYNAMIC PROGRAMMING: MINIMIZATION

We aim to **minimize** the cost:

$$\min_u \left( x' \hat{Q}_k x + u' \hat{R}_k u + 2x' \hat{S}_k u \right)$$

**Optimality** condition:

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial u}(\cdot) = 0 \quad \implies \quad \bar{R}_k u + \bar{S}_k' x = 0$$

$\Downarrow$  Solving for  $u$

$$u_k^* = -\hat{R}_k^{-1} \hat{S}_k' x_k$$

## DYNAMIC PROGRAMMING: RICCATI SOLUTION

We plug  $u_k^*$  into the **Bellman equation**:

$$\mathcal{J}_k(x) = x' \left( \hat{Q}_k - \hat{B}_k \hat{R}_k^{-1} \hat{B}_k' \right) x$$



Recall  $\mathcal{J}_k(x) = x' \bar{K}_k x$

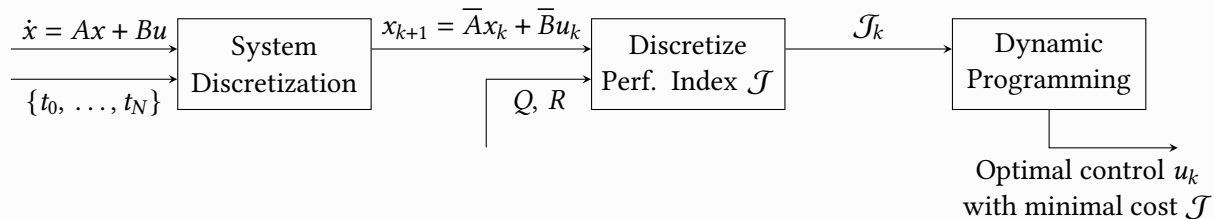
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Minimal cost equals

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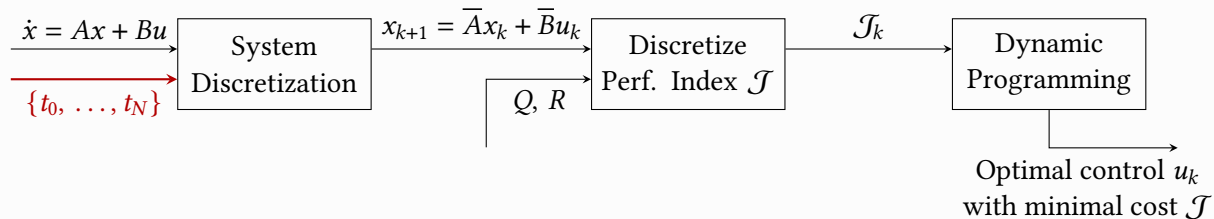


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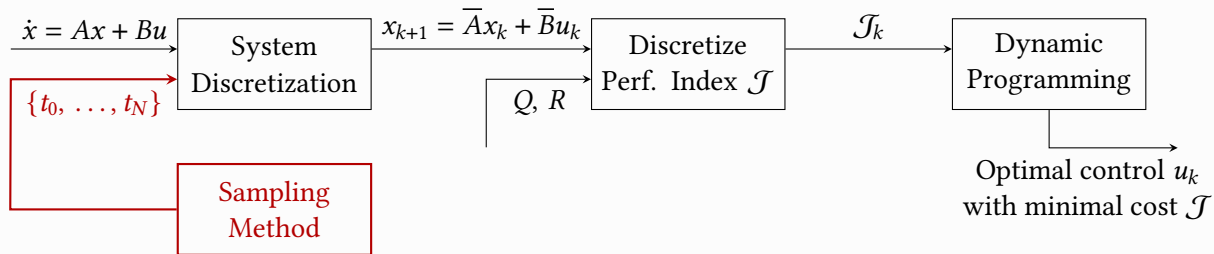




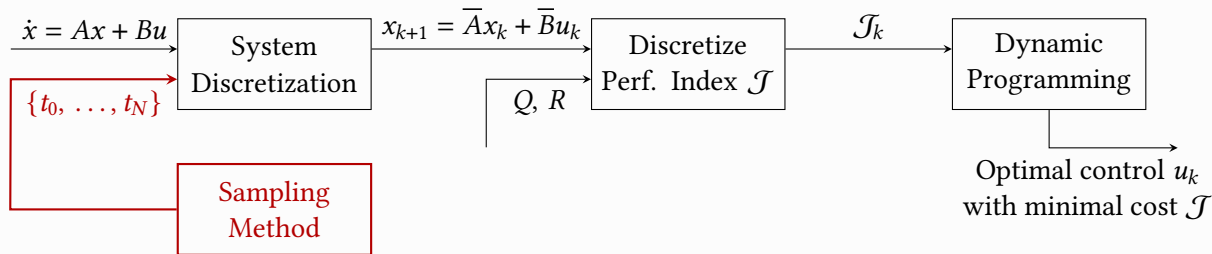
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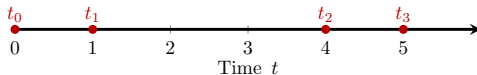
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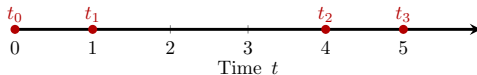
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►  $\sigma_4(t) = \frac{1}{4 \cdot 1} = \frac{1}{4}, \quad \forall t \in [0, 1)$

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## COMPARING SAMPLING METHODS: NORMALIZED COST

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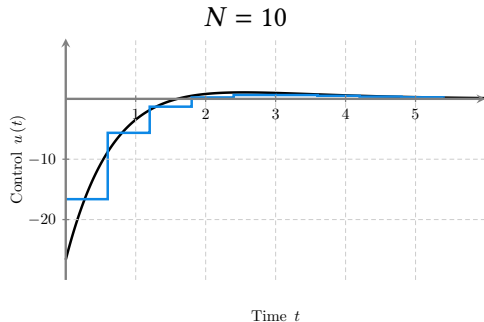
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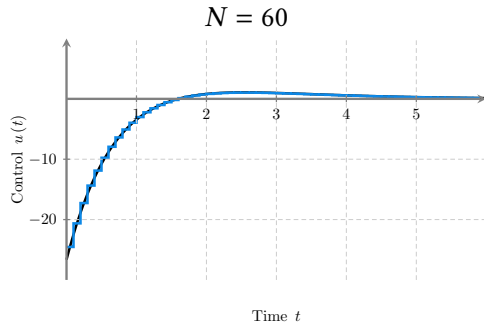
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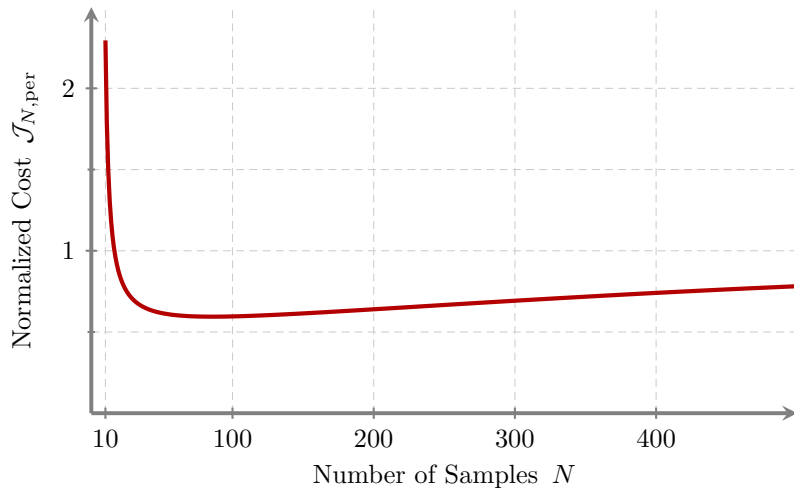
- ▶  $\mathcal{J}_\infty = 383.2, \mathcal{J}_{10, \text{per}} = 699.7$
- ▶  $c_{10, \text{per}} = \frac{10^2}{6^2} \cdot \frac{699.7 - 383.2}{383.2} = 2.3$



- ▶  $\mathcal{J}_\infty = 383.2, \mathcal{J}_{60, \text{per}} = 385.5$
- ▶  $c_{60, \text{per}} = \frac{60^2}{6^2} \cdot \frac{385.5 - 383.2}{383.2} = 0.6$

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# QUESTIONS

## Question

- ▶ Is it okay that we started at  $N = 10$  and also the way we denoted it in the graph, or is the  $x$  axis too chaotic?
- ▶ Plot good? do  $x$  labels 10 and 60 look weird?

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For  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ , we get the constant sampling density

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*... informally, optimal controller of the discrete-time can be expressed as the continuous-time solution  $K_{\infty}$  plus a correction term that is proportional to the square of the sampling period  $\tau$ .*

<sup>1</sup> Melzer, Stuart M., and Benjamin C. Kuo. "Sampling period sensitivity of the optimal sampled data linear regulator." *Automatica* 7.3 (1971): 367-370.

# QUESTIONS

## Question

Should there be a [1] in the equation, or only after Lyapunov equation?

## PERIODIC SAMPLING: ASYMPTOTIC NORMALIZED COST

$$c_{N,\text{per}} = \frac{N^2}{T^2} \frac{\mathcal{J}_{N,\text{per}} - \mathcal{J}_\infty}{\mathcal{J}_\infty}$$

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## PERIODIC SAMPLING: EXAMPLE

$$c_{\text{per}} = \frac{x'_0 X x_0}{2 x'_0 K_{\infty} x_0}$$

### Example

For a first-order system ( $n = 1$ ), wlog  $B = R = 1$ , we obtain

$$K_{\infty} = A + \sqrt{A^2 + Q},$$

$$X = \frac{1}{12}(K_{\infty} - A)K_{\infty}^2$$

which gives us the asymptotic normalized cost

$$c_{\text{per}} = \frac{1}{24}A\sqrt{A^2 + Q} + A^2 + Q.$$



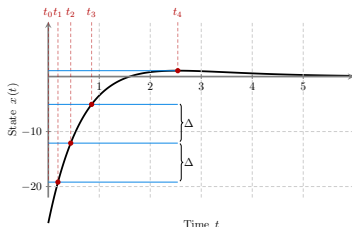
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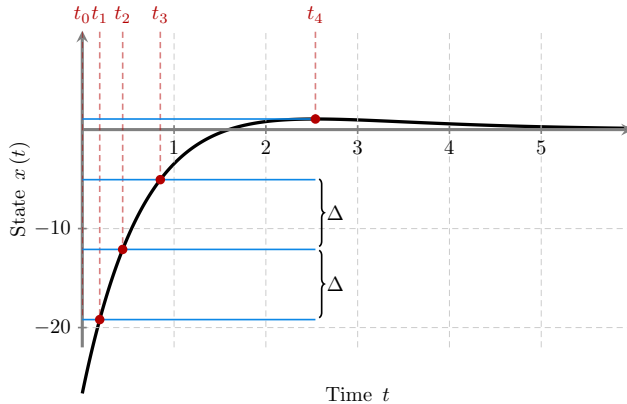
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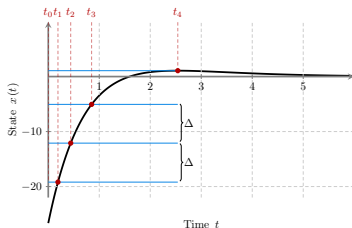
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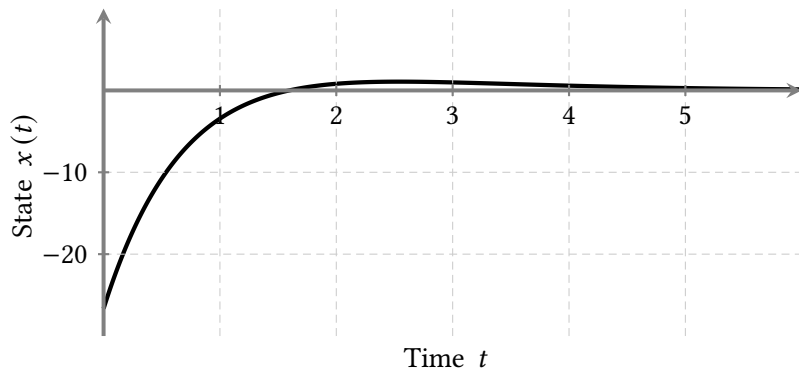
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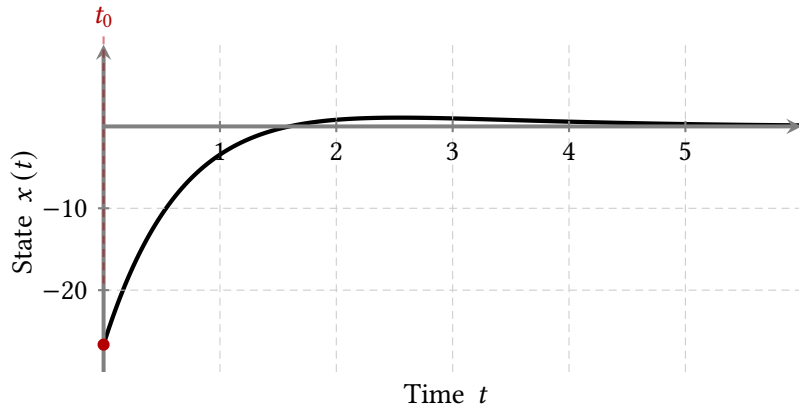
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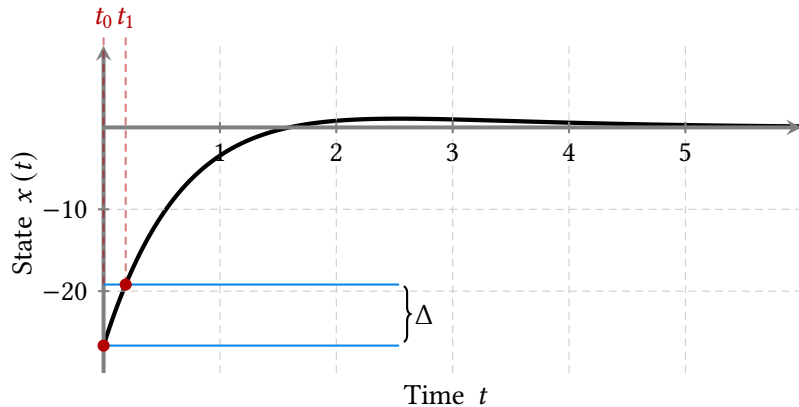
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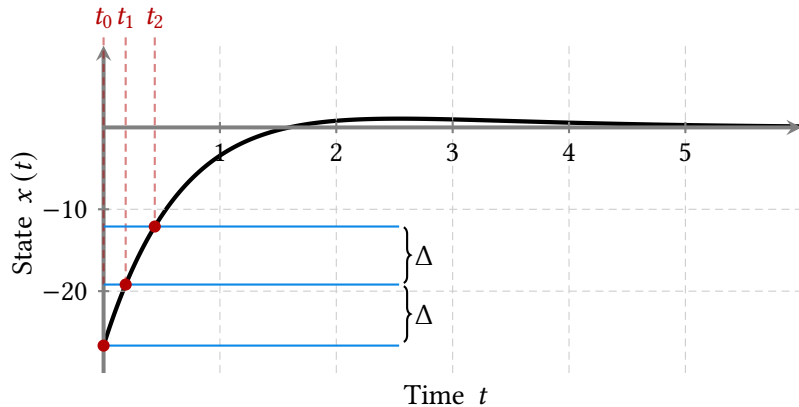
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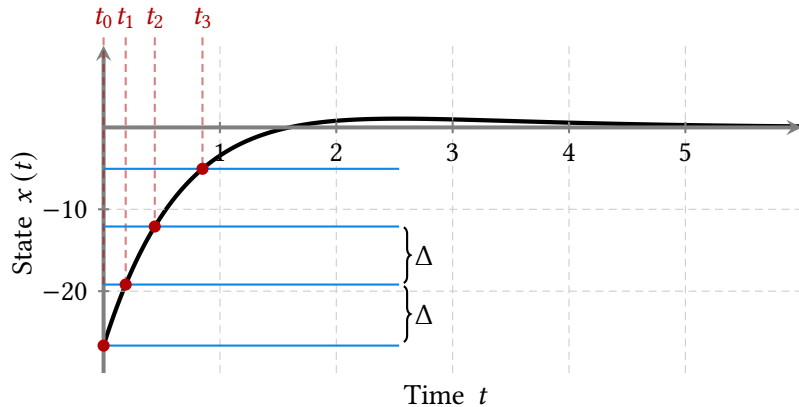
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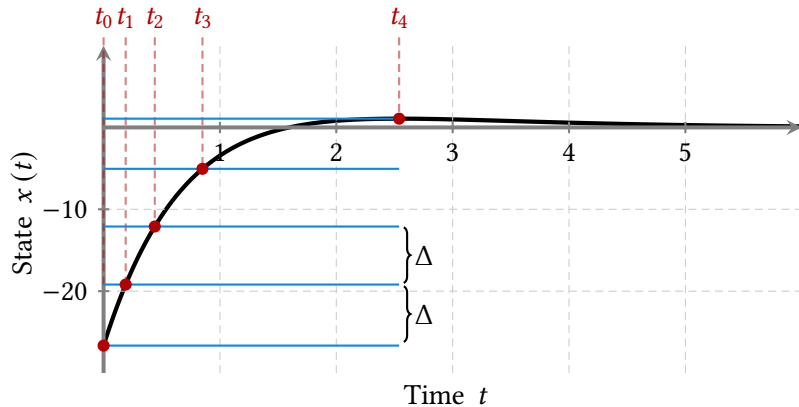




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$$\|u(t_{i+1}) - u(t_i)\| = \Delta$$

**Example ( $\Delta = 7$ )**



# QUESTIONS

## Question

To make the elements appear step by step in slide 22, I did the tikzpicture directly in the frame instead of including the plot as pdf. Slide 21 is still the pdf version. I noted that they actually look different, which one is the preferred one, as so far we always include pdfs. Should we change the other plots too, to have the tikzpicture directly in the frame?

## DETERMINISTIC LEBESGUE SAMPLING: DERIVING THE RELATION FOR $N$

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# QUESTIONS

## Question

- ▶ For the last two reminder boxes with the equation  $\| u(t_{t+1}) - u(t_k) \| = \Delta$ , should we write it with the absolute value instead, so  $| u(t_{t+1}) - u(t_k) | = \Delta$ , as both of them are cases for scalar input?
- ▶ Wanted one more transition in between for slide 22, where the last equation appears without the underbrace first and then with it. Didn't manage to do so, with only the equations changed their places and uncover didn't work :(

## DETERMINISTIC LEBESGUE SAMPLING: ASYMPTOTIC SAMPLING DENSITY

$$\int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} |\dot{u}(t)| dt = \frac{1}{N} \cdot \int_0^T |\dot{u}(s)| ds$$

$$\sigma_{\text{dls}}(t) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N \cdot \tau_k} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} |\dot{u}(t)| dt}{\int_0^T |\dot{u}(s)| ds} \cdot \frac{1}{\tau_k}$$

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# QUESTIONS

## Question

should we use `\displaystyle` for the integrals in fractions? If we do, integral sign looks better, but the expression explodes a bit.

## Discrete-Time Optimal Cost

For a fixed sampling pattern  $\{\tau_0, \dots, \tau_{N-1}\}$ , the optimal cost is

$$\mathcal{J} = x_0^\top \bar{K}_0 x_0,$$

where  $\bar{K}_k$  satisfies the Riccati recursion

$$\bar{K}_k = r(\tau_k, \bar{K}_{k+1}), \bar{K}_N = S.$$

$\bar{K}_k$  depends only on the current and future sampling intervals  $\{\tau_k, \tau_{k+1}, \dots, \tau_{N-1}\}$ . Hence,

$$h < k \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \bar{K}_k}{\partial \tau_h} = 0.$$

# OPTIMAL SAMPLING: NECESSARY OPTIMALITY CONDITION

## KKT Optimality Condition

The sampling intervals satisfy

$$\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \tau_k = T.$$

At the optimal sampling pattern, the gradient of the cost must be proportional to  $[1, 1, \dots, 1]$  which implies that

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{J}}{\partial \tau_h} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{J}}{\partial \tau_{h+1}}, \quad h = 0, \dots, N-2.$$

## Riccati-Based Condition

Using the chain rule on the Riccati recursion, this condition can be rewritten as

$$x_0^\top \left[ \frac{\partial r}{\partial \tau}(\tau_h, \bar{K}_{h+1}) - \frac{\partial r}{\partial \bar{K}}(\tau_h, \bar{K}_{h+1}) \frac{\partial r}{\partial \tau}(\tau_{h+1}, \bar{K}_{h+2}) \right] = 0$$

# OPTIMAL SAMPLING: FIRST ORDER SYSTEMS

## Discrete-Time Riccati Recursion

In discrete time, the Riccati recursion has the form:

$$\bar{K}_k = r(\tau_k, \bar{K}_{k+1})$$

For a first-order system ( $n = 1$ ), the recurrence function  $r$  becomes a scalar rational function of  $\tau$  and  $\bar{K}$ .

$$r(\tau, \bar{K}) = \frac{\bar{Q}_k \bar{R}_k - \bar{P}_k^2 + (\bar{A}_k^2 \bar{R}_k - 2\bar{A}_k \bar{B}_k \bar{P}_k + \bar{B}_k^2 \bar{Q}_k) \bar{K}}{\bar{R}_k + \bar{B}_k^2 \bar{K}}.$$

With partial derivatives of  $r(\tau, \bar{K})$  :  $\frac{\partial r}{\partial \tau}, \frac{\partial r}{\partial \bar{K}}$

# NECESSARY CONDITION FOR OPTIMAL SAMPLING

## General Optimality Condition

The general necessary condition for optimality is

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{J}}{\partial \tau_h} = 0.$$

Using the Riccati recursion and the chain rule, this condition becomes

$$\frac{\partial r}{\partial \tau}(\tau_h, r(\tau_{h+1}, \bar{K}_{h+2})) - \frac{\partial r}{\partial \bar{K}}(\tau_h, r(\tau_{h+1}, \bar{K}_{h+2})) \cdot \frac{\partial r}{\partial \tau}(\tau_{h+1}, \bar{K}_{h+2}) = 0$$

## Quantization based Sampling

Quantization-based sampling approximates a continuous input  $u(t)$  by a piecewise-constant function  $\bar{u}(t)$  with  $N$  values, aiming to minimize the approximation error. This method provides a near-minimal cost.

The quantization error is defined as

$$E_{\text{qnt}} = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} |u(t) - u_k|^2 dt.$$

- ▶ Unknowns: constants  $u_k$  and instants  $t_k$
- ▶ Both values and sampling instants are optimized



## QUANTIZATION: OPTIMALITY CONDITIONS

Differentiating  $E_{\text{qnt}}$  with respect to  $u_k$  yields

$$u_k = \frac{1}{t_{k+1} - t_k} \int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} u(t) dt.$$

Differentiating  $E_{\text{qnt}}$  with respect to  $t_k$  gives

$$|u_{k-1} - u(t_k)|^2 = |u_k - u(t_k)|^2$$

- ▶ This method is applicable for any linear system with dimension of input space  $m = 1$  and any dimension  $n$  of the state space.
- ▶ Sampling instants are chosen so that the approximation error is balanced across intervals.

# ASYMPTOTIC QUANTIZATION

As  $N \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\tau_k = 0$ :

- ▶ Sampling intervals shrink
- ▶ Piecewise-constant approximation becomes dense
- ▶ Sampling pattern converges to a sampling density

For a scalar input ( $m = 1$ ), known results from optimal quantization imply

$$\sigma(t) \propto |\dot{u}(t)|^{\frac{p}{p+1}}.$$

Choosing  $p = 2$  (norm = 2), we obtain the quantization density

$$\sigma_{\text{qnt}}(t) = \frac{|\dot{u}(t)|^{2/3}}{\int_0^T |\dot{u}(s)|^{2/3} ds}$$

## Question

Explanation for denominator  $s$  and should eqn.28 be added?(sampling instants)

## LEMMA 6

For the first-order systems, the asymptotic quantization density  $\sigma_{\text{qnt}}$  coincides with the optimal sampling density  $\sigma_{\text{opt}}$ .

Assumptions (for simplification):

- ▶  $B = 1, R = 1$
- ▶  $Q = 0, A > 0$
- ▶  $S = K_{\infty} = A + \sqrt{A^2 + Q}$

These assumptions enables us to have an expression for optimal continuous-time input  $u$ :  $u(t) = -x_0(A + \sqrt{A^2 + Q})e^{-\sqrt{A^2 + Q}t}$ .

## ASYMPTOTIC OPTIMAL SAMPLING DENSITY

For small sampling intervals:

- ▶  $A_k R_k \neq B_k P_k$
- ▶  $\tau_h \rightarrow \tau_{h+1}$  as both tend to zero

We obtain the expansion

$$\tau_h = \alpha \tau_{h+1} + \beta \tau_{h+1}^2 + o(\tau_{h+1}^2)$$

Equating constant terms yields

$$\alpha = 1, \quad \beta = -\frac{2}{3} \frac{(Q + A^2) \bar{K}_{h+2}}{Q + A \bar{K}_{h+2}}.$$

## ASYMPTOTIC OPTIMAL SAMPLING DENSITY

The asymptotic sampling density of the optimal pattern  $\sigma_{\text{opt}}(t)$  satisfies the differential equation

$$\dot{\sigma}_{\text{opt}}(t) = -\frac{2}{3} \frac{(Q + A^2) K(t)}{Q + AK(t)} \sigma_{\text{opt}}(t),$$

where  $K(t)$  is the solution of the continuous-time Riccati equation.

When  $S = K_{\infty} = A + \sqrt{A^2 + Q}$

$$\dot{\sigma}_{\text{opt}}(t) = -\frac{2}{3} \sqrt{Q + A^2} \sigma_{\text{opt}}(t),$$

results in

$$\sigma_{\text{opt}}(t) = c e^{-\frac{2}{3} \sqrt{Q+A^2} t}, \quad \int_0^T \sigma_{\text{opt}}(t) dt = 1.$$

### Key Result

Using the expression of the optimal continuous-time input,

$$\sigma_{\text{opt}}(t) \propto |\dot{u}(t)|^{2/3}.$$

## Question

Layout issue in the Key result block

## LEMMA 7: ASYMPTOTIC NORMALIZED COST

### Lemma 7

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For a sampling method  $m_\alpha$  with asymptotic density

$$\sigma_{m_\alpha}(t) = \frac{\alpha(S-A)}{1 - e^{-\alpha(S-A)T}} e^{-\alpha(S-A)t} \propto |\dot{u}(t)|^\alpha,$$

the asymptotic normalized cost is

$$c_{m_\alpha} = \frac{S}{12(S-A)T^2} \frac{1 - e^{-2(1-\alpha)(S-A)T}}{2(1-\alpha)} \frac{1 - e^{-\alpha(S-A)T}}{\alpha}$$



# NOTES

## Question

Are backup slides enough for lemma 6 and lemma 7?

## RESULTS

- ▶ Optimal sampling for linear control systems depends on the system dynamics and cost.
- ▶ For first-order systems, the optimal sampling pattern can be characterized by an **asymptotic sampling density**.
- ▶ The optimal density admits the closed-form structure

$$\sigma_{\text{opt}}(t) \propto |\dot{u}(t)|^{2/3}.$$

- ▶ This density coincides with that obtained from **quantization-based sampling** of the optimal continuous-time input.
- ▶ Optimal and quantization-based sampling achieve a **lower asymptotic cost** than periodic sampling.

## Question

Is result content fine or should I add more explanation?

# COMMENTS

## Comment

From now on, these slides are our thoughts on important quantization slides.  
It must be checked with Sree's slides!

# QUANTIZATION OF CONTINUOUS-TIME CONTROL

## Quantization Problem

Given a continuous-time optimal control signal  $u : x \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ , we approximate it by a *piecewise-constant* control  $\bar{u}$  with  $N$  updates, by minimizing an  $L^p$  approximation error:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \min_{\{\tau_k, u_k\}} \int_{\Omega} \underbrace{\|u(x) - \bar{u}(x)\|_p}_{\substack{\text{Approximation} \\ \text{error}}} dx \\ \text{s.t.} \quad \bar{u}(x) = u_k, \quad x \in [\tau_k, \tau_{k+1}), \quad k = 0, \dots, N-1 \end{array} \right.$$

**Idea:** replace the continuous optimal solution by a piecewise-constant one that is *closest in the  $L^p(\Omega)$  sense*.

# QUESTIONS

## Question

- ▶ is  $\min_{\{\tau_k, u_k\}}$  valid? or should be  $\{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_k\}$  instead?
- ▶  $\Omega$  undefined is fine? Should the integration limits be  $\int_0^T$  or  $\int_{0^m}^{T^m}$  instead?
- ▶ in the paper, they integrate over  $\Omega$  and w.r.t.  $dx$ . Should it be wrt  $t$  and between  $(0, T)$  instead?

# QUANTIZATION PROBLEM: EXAMPLE

## Example (Input space dimension $m = 1$ )

$$\min_u \int_{\Omega} |u(x) - \bar{u}(x)|^2 dx$$



$$\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \int_{\tau_k}^{\tau_{k+1}} |u(x) - u_k|^2 dx \leftarrow \text{partition } x$$

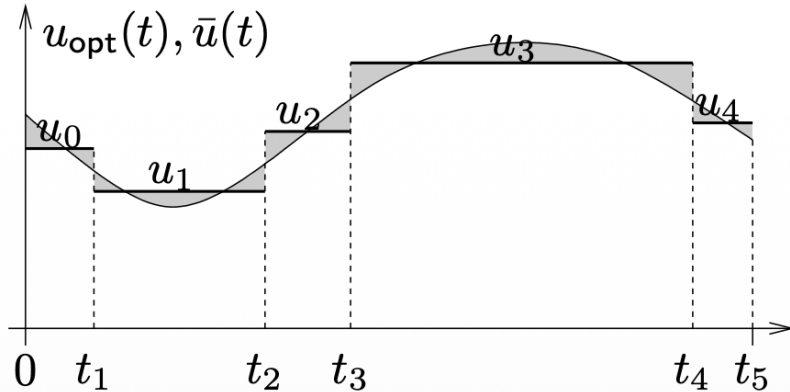


*Optimality condition*

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## QUANTIZATION: INTUITION

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