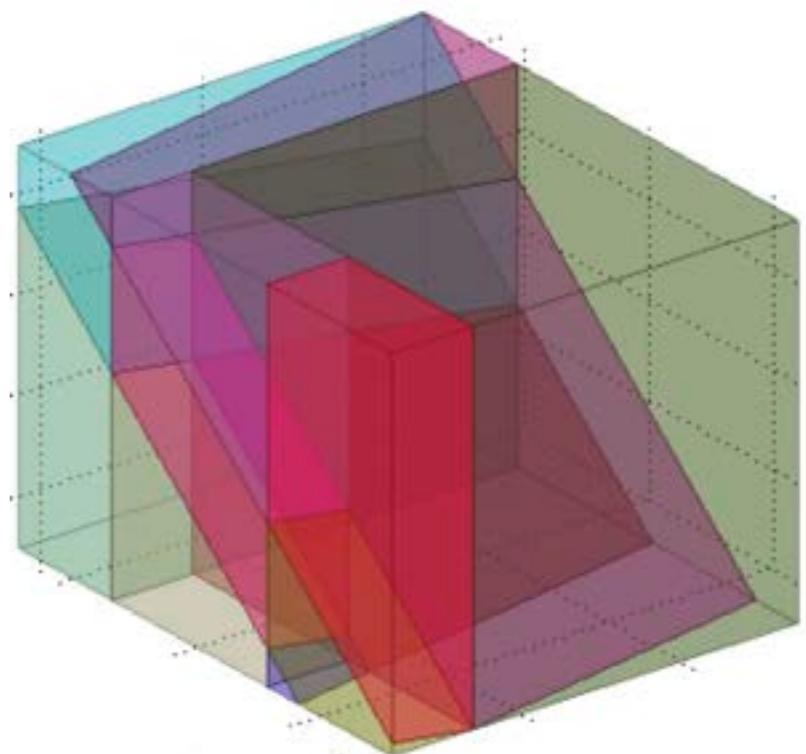


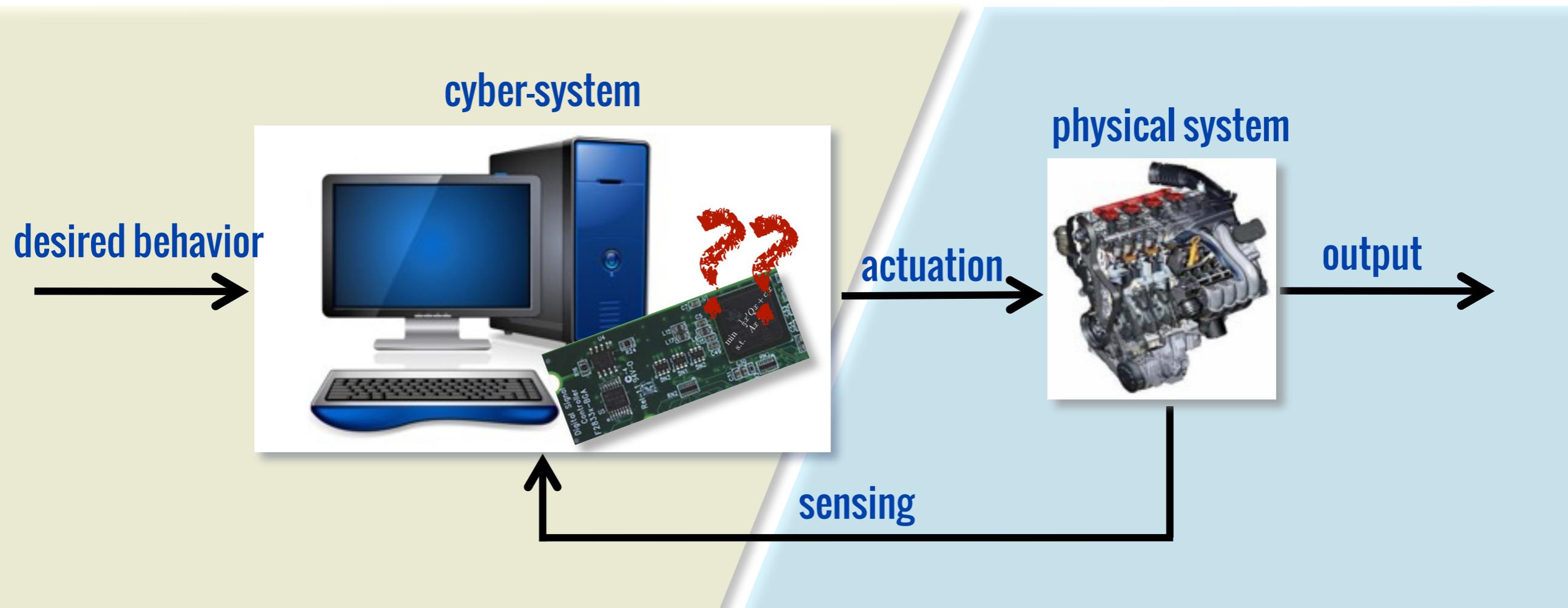
MODEL PREDICTIVE CONTROL FOR CYBER-PHYSICAL SYSTEMS

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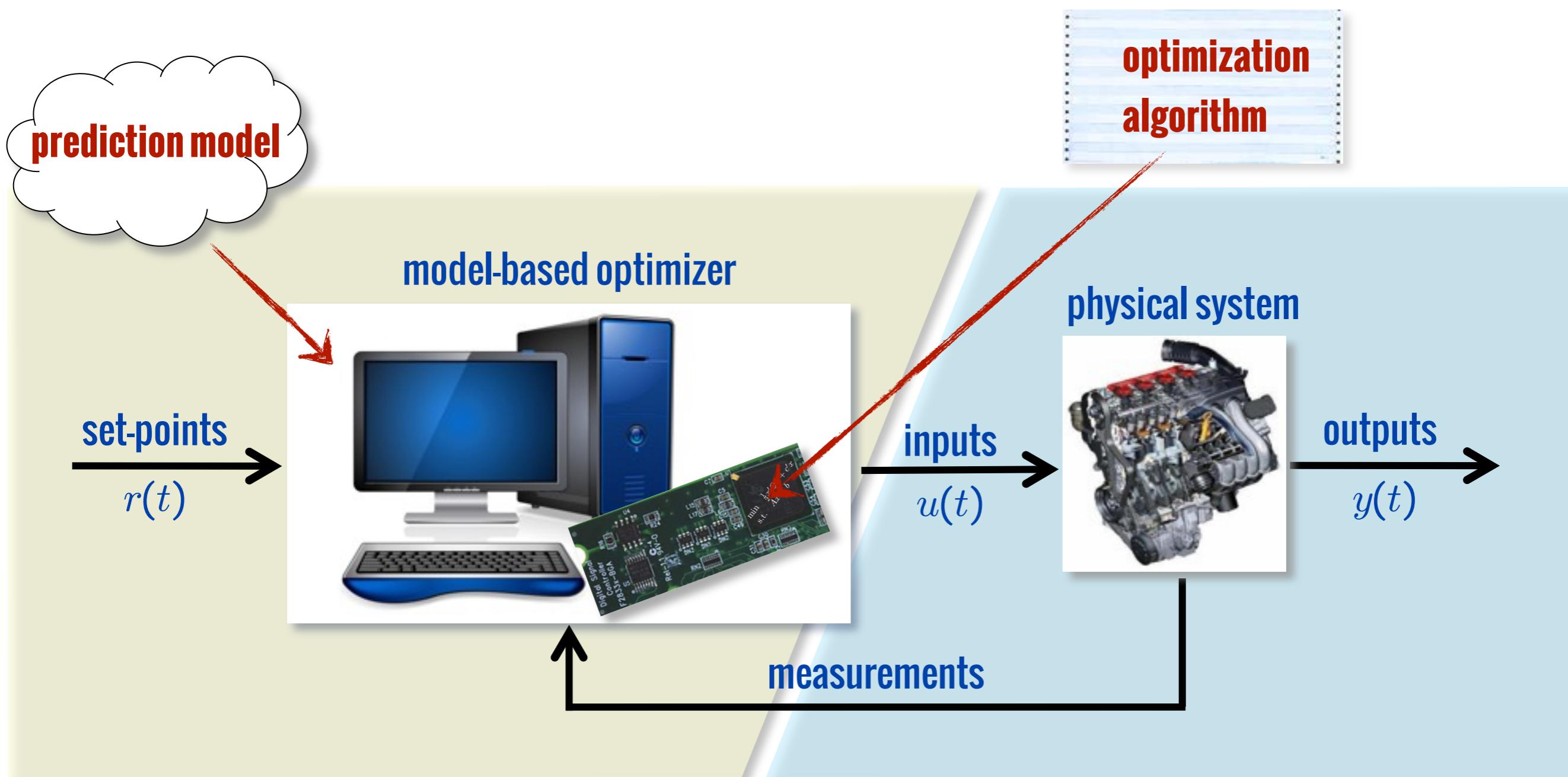


ROLE OF CONTROL IN CYBER-PHYSICAL SYSTEMS



What kind of “intelligence” to embed in the “cyber” component to make the overall CPS behave **autonomously, robustly, safely, and optimally** ?

MODEL PREDICTIVE CONTROL (MPC)



simplified

Use a **dynamical model** of the process to predict its future evolution and choose the ~~“best”~~ control action

a good

Likely

MODEL PREDICTIVE CONTROL (MPC)

- At each time t , find the best control sequence over a future horizon of N steps

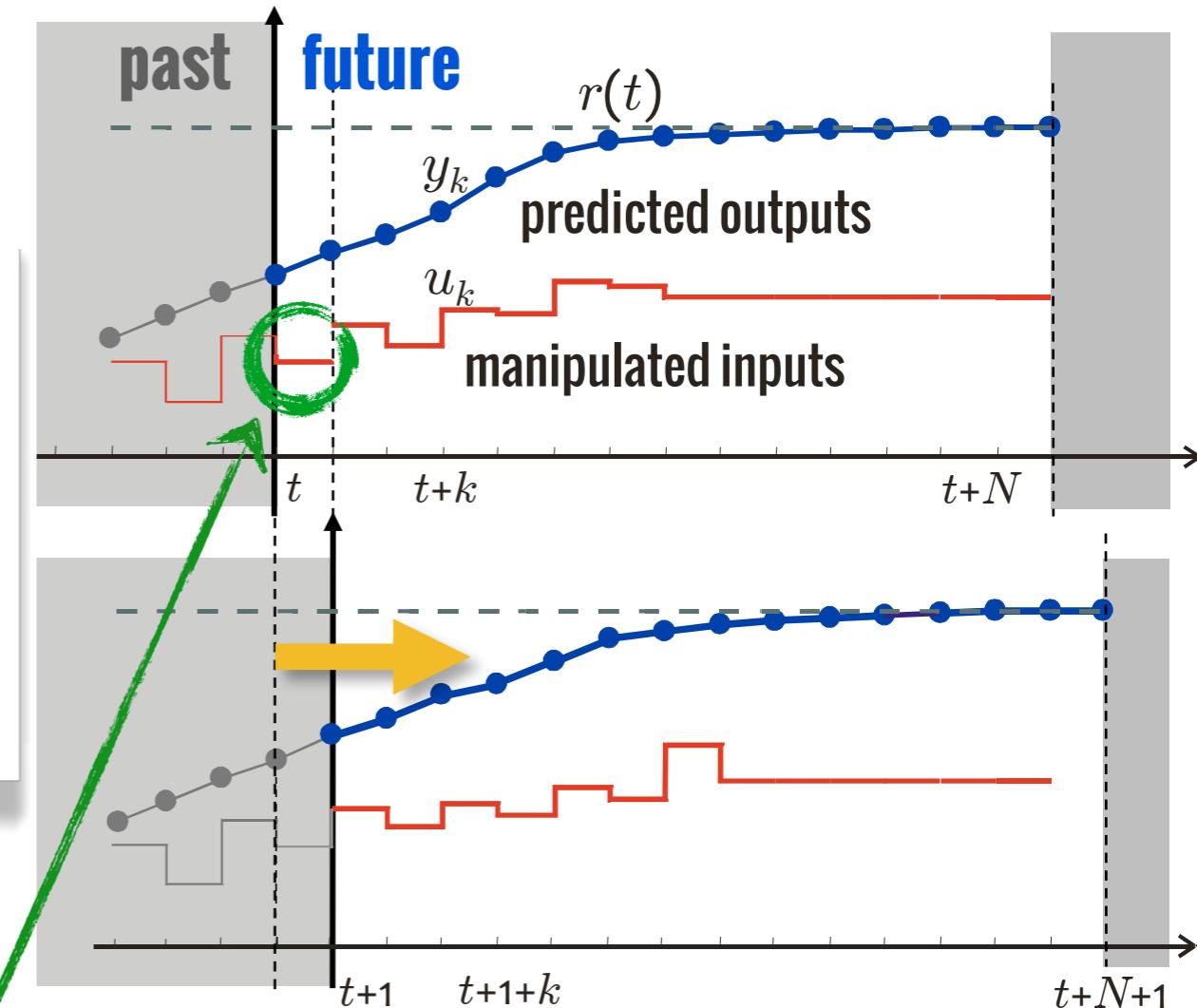
penalty on tracking error

penalty on actuation

$$\begin{aligned} \min & \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \|W^y(y_k - r(t))\|^2 + \|W^u(u_k - u^{\text{ref}}(t))\|^2 \\ \text{s.t. } & x_{k+1} = f(x_k, u_k, t) \\ & y_k = g(x_k, u_k, t) \\ & \text{constraints on } u_k, y_k \\ & x_0 = x(t) \quad \leftarrow \text{feedback!} \end{aligned}$$



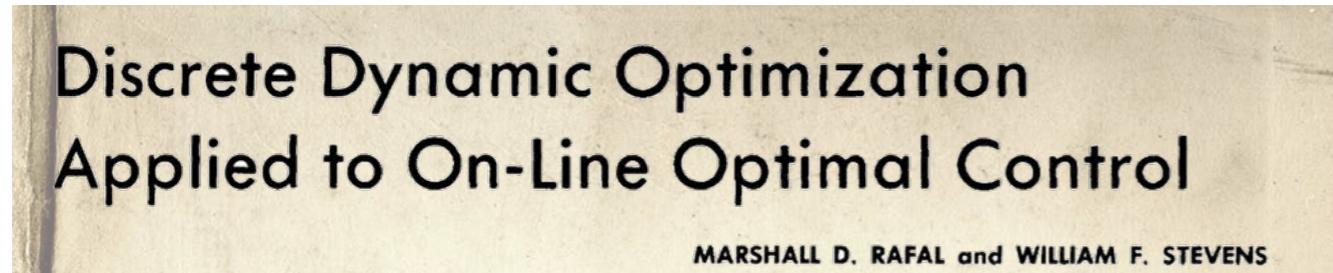
optimization problem



- Problem solved w.r.t. $\{u_0, \dots, u_{N-1}\}$
- Apply the first optimal move $u(t) = u_0^*$, throw the rest of the sequence away
- At time $t+1$: Get new measurements, repeat the optimization. And so on ...

MPC IN INDUSTRY

- The MPC concept for process control dates back to the 60's



(Rafal, Stevens, AiChE Journal, 1968)



- MPC used in the process industries since the 80's



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MPC is the standard for advanced control in the process industry.

(Qin, Badgwell, 2003) (Bauer & Craig, 2008)

- Research in MPC is still very active !

- Impact of advanced control technologies in industry

TABLE 1 A list of the survey results in order of industry impact as perceived by the committee members.

Rank and Technology	High-Impact Ratings	Low- or No-Impact Ratings
PID control	100%	0%
Model predictive control	78%	9%
System identification	61%	9%
Process data analytics	61%	17%
Soft sensing	52%	22%
Fault detection and identification	50%	18%
Decentralized and/or coordinated control	48%	30%
Intelligent control	35%	30%
Discrete-event systems	23%	32%
Nonlinear control	22%	35%
Adaptive control	17%	43%
Robust control	13%	43%
Hybrid dynamical systems	13%	43%

AUTOMOTIVE APPLICATIONS OF MPC

Bemporad, Bernardini, Borrelli, Cimini, Di Cairano, Esen, Giorgetti, Graf-Plessen, Hrovat, Kolmanovsky, Levjoki, Ripaccioli, Trimboli, Tseng, Yanakiev, ... (2001-present)

Powertrain

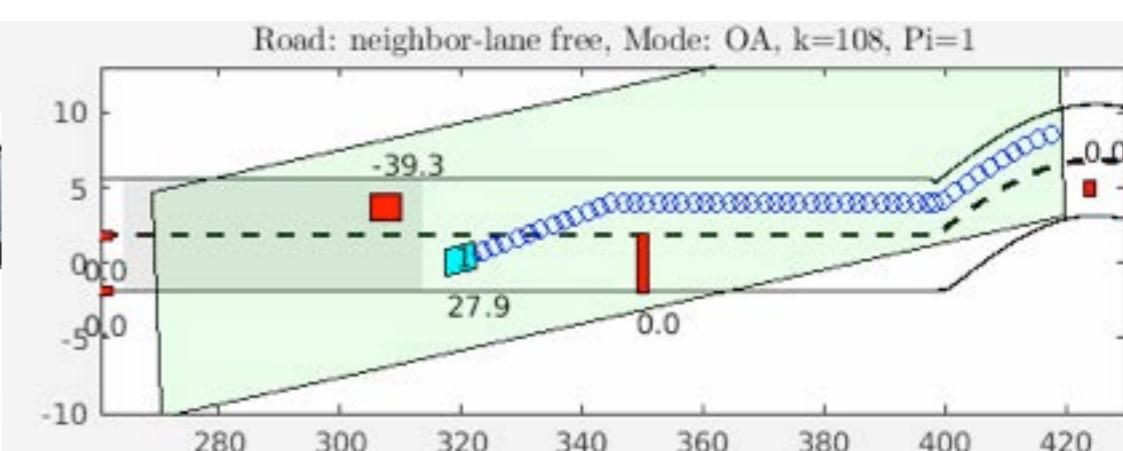
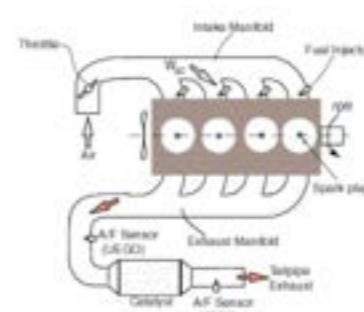
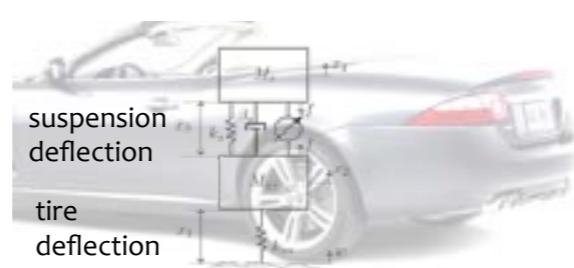
- direct-inj. engine control
- A/F ratio control
- magnetic actuators
- robotized gearbox
- power MGT in HEVs
- cabin heat control in HEVs
- electrical motors

Vehicle dynamics

- traction control
- active steering
- semiactive suspensions
- autonomous driving



DENSO



Most automotive OEMs are adopting MPC solutions today

MPC IN THE AERONAUTIC INDUSTRY

PRESS RELEASE

Pratt & Whitney's F135 Advanced Multi-Variable Control Team Receives UTC's Prestigious George Mead Award for Outstanding Engineering Accomplishment

EAST HARTFORD, CONN., THURSDAY **MAY 27, 2010**

Pratt & Whitney engineers Louis Celiberti, Timothy Crowley, James Fuller and Cary Powell won the George Mead Award – United Technologies Corp.'s highest award for outstanding engineering achievement – for their pioneering work in developing the world's first advanced multi-variable control (AMVC) design for the only engine that powers the F-35 Lightning II flight test program. Pratt & Whitney is a United Technologies Corp. (NYSE:UTX) company.

The AMVC, which uses a proprietary model predictive control methodology, is the most technically advanced propulsion system control ever produced by the aerospace industry, demonstrating the highest pilot rating for flight performance and providing independent control of vertical thrust and pitch from five sources. This innovative and industry-leading advanced design is protected with five broad patents for Pratt & Whitney and UTC, and is the new standard for propulsion system control for Pratt & Whitney military and commercial engines.



<http://www.pw.utc.com/Press/Story/20100527-0100/2010>



Pratt & Whitney
A United Technologies Company

CONTENTS OF MY LECTURE

- Model Predictive Control (MPC) **for** CPS's
- Embedded quadratic optimization algorithms (**inside** the CPS)
- Hybrid MPC = supervisory control **of** CPSs

LINEAR MPC

- Linear prediction model:

$$\begin{cases} x_{k+1} = Ax_k + Bu_k \\ y_k = Cx_k \end{cases}$$

$$x_0 = x(t)$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &\in \mathbb{R}^n \\ u &\in \mathbb{R}^m \\ y &\in \mathbb{R}^p \end{aligned}$$

- Constraints to enforce:

$$\begin{cases} u_{\min} \leq u(t) \leq u_{\max} \\ y_{\min} \leq y(t) \leq y_{\max} \end{cases}$$

- Constrained optimal control problem (quadratic performance index):

$$\begin{aligned} \min_z \quad & x_N' P x_N + \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x_k' Q x_k + u_k' R u_k \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & u_{\min} \leq u_k \leq u_{\max}, \quad k = 0, \dots, N-1 \\ & y_{\min} \leq y_k \leq y_{\max}, \quad k = 1, \dots, N \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R &= R' \succ 0 \\ Q &= Q' \succeq 0 \\ P &= P' \succeq 0 \end{aligned}$$

LINEAR MPC - CONSTRAINED CASE

- State response: $x_k = A^k x_0 + \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} A^i B u_{k-1-i}$

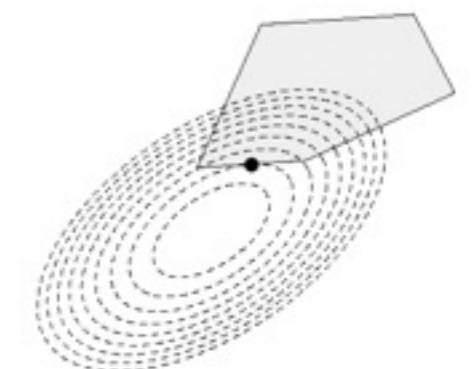
- Optimization problem:

$$\begin{aligned} V(x_0) = & \frac{1}{2} x_0' Y x_0 + \min_z \frac{1}{2} z' H z + x_0' F' z \\ \text{s.t. } & G z \leq W + S x_0 \end{aligned}$$

(quadratic)
(linear)

Convex QUADRATIC PROGRAM (QP)

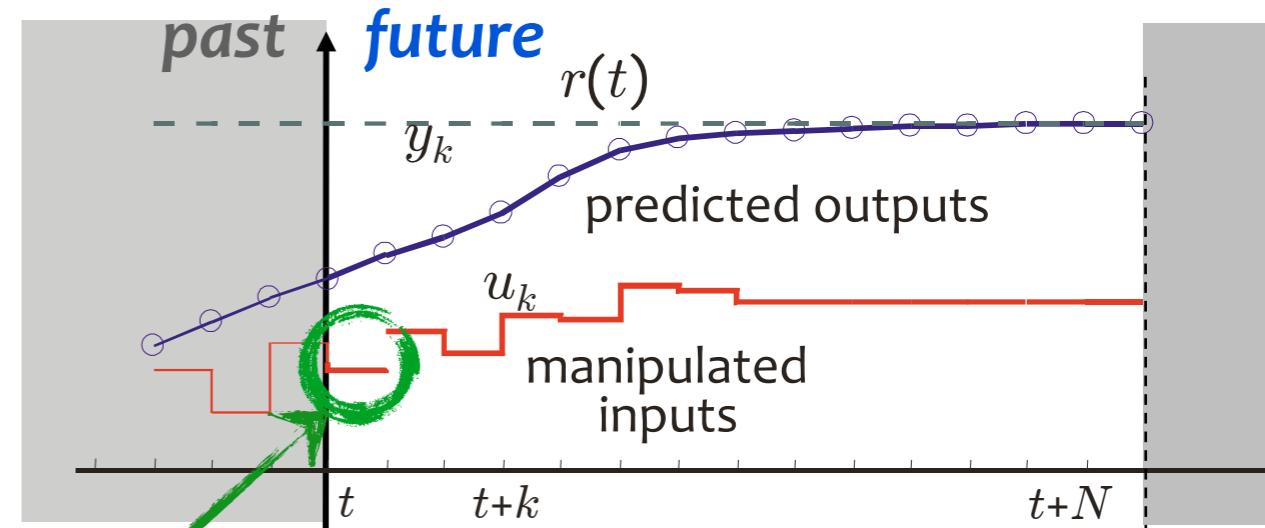
- $z = \begin{bmatrix} u_0 \\ u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^s, s \triangleq Nm$ is the optimization vector



- $H = H' \succ 0$ and H, F, Y, G, W, S depend on weights Q, R, P , upper and lower bounds $u_{\min}, u_{\max}, y_{\min}, y_{\max}$, and model matrices A, B, C

LINEAR MPC ALGORITHM

@ each sampling step t :



- Measure (or estimate) the current state $x(t)$
- Get the solution $z^* = \{u_0^*, \dots, u_{N-1}^*\}$ of the QP
- Apply only $u(t) = u_0^*$, discard remaining optimal inputs u_1^*, \dots, u_{N-1}^*

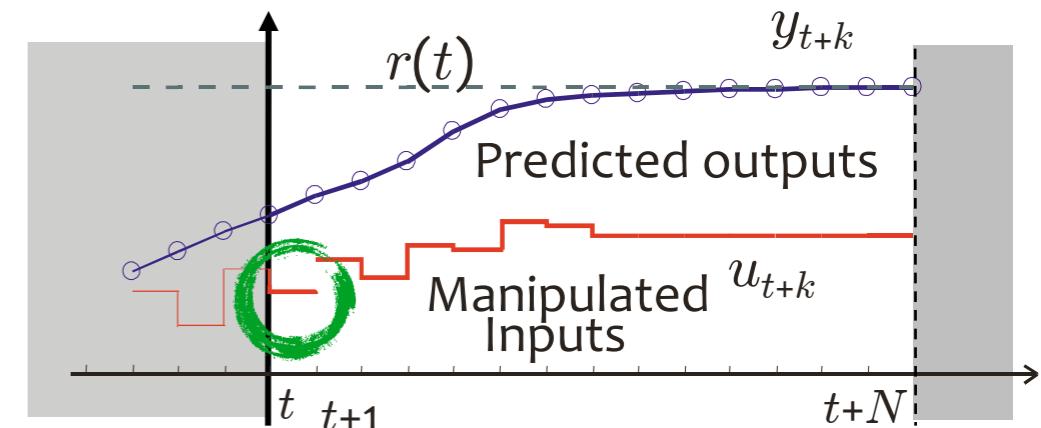
feedback !

$$\begin{aligned} \min_z \quad & \frac{1}{2} z' H z + x'(t) F' z \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & Gz \leq W + Sx(t) \end{aligned}$$

LINEAR MPC - UNCONSTRAINED CASE

- Minimize quadratic function, no constraints

$$\min_z \quad f(z) = \frac{1}{2} z' H z + x'(t) F' z$$



- Solution: $\nabla f(z) = Hz + Fx(t) = 0$

$$\longrightarrow z^* = -H^{-1} Fx(t)$$

$$z = \begin{bmatrix} u_0 \\ u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1} \end{bmatrix}$$



$$u(t) = -[I \ 0 \ \dots \ 0] H^{-1} F x(t) \triangleq K x(t)$$

Unconstrained linear MPC = linear state-feedback !

MPC AND LINEAR QUADRATIC REGULATION (LQR)

- Special case: $J(z, x_0) = \min_z x'_N P x_N + \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x'_k Q x_k + u'_k R u_k$
with matrix P solving the Algebraic Riccati Equation

$$P = A'PA - A'PB(B'PB + R)^{-1}B'PA + Q$$



Jacopo Francesco
Riccati (1676 - 1754)

- **(unconstrained) MPC = LQR** (for any choice of the prediction horizon N)

Proof. Easily follows from Bellman's principle of optimality (dynamic programming): $x'_N P x_N$ = optimal “cost-to-go” from time N to ∞ .

BASIC CONVERGENCE PROPERTIES

Theorem. Consider the linear system $\begin{cases} x(t+1) = Ax(t) + Bu(t) \\ y(t) = Cx(t) \end{cases}$

and the MPC control law based on optimizing

$$\begin{aligned} V^*(x(t)) = \min & \quad \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x_k' Q x_k + u_k' R u_k \\ \text{s.t.} & \quad x_{k+1} = Ax_k + Bu_k \\ & \quad u_{\min} \leq u_k \leq u_{\max} \\ & \quad y_{\min} \leq Cx_k \leq y_{\max} \\ & \quad x_N = 0 \quad \text{← "terminal constraint"} \end{aligned}$$

with $R, Q > 0$. If the optimization problem is **feasible at time $t=0$** then

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) &= 0 \\ \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u(t) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

and the constraints are satisfied at all time $t \geq 0$, for all $R, Q > 0$

(Keerthi and Gilbert, 1988) (Bemporad, Chisci, Mosca, 1994)

For general **stability result** see (Lazar, Heemels, Weiland, Bemporad, IEEE TAC, 2006)

LINEAR MPC - TRACKING

- Optimal control problem (quadratic performance index):

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min_z \quad & \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \|W^y(y_{k+1} - r(t))\|^2 + \|W^{\Delta u}\Delta u_k\|^2 \\
 \text{subj. to} \quad & [\Delta u_k \triangleq u_k - u_{k-1}], \quad u_{-1} = u(t-1) \\
 & u_{\min} \leq u_k \leq u_{\max}, \quad k = 0, \dots, N-1 \\
 & y_{\min} \leq y_k \leq y_{\max}, \quad k = 1, \dots, N \\
 & \Delta u_{\min} \leq \Delta u_k \leq \Delta u_{\max}, \quad k = 0, \dots, N-1
 \end{aligned}$$

optimization vector

$$z = \begin{bmatrix} \Delta u_0 \\ \Delta u_1 \\ \vdots \\ \Delta u_{N-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Optimization problem:

**Convex
QUADRATIC
PROGRAM (QP)**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \min_z \quad & J(z, x(t)) = \frac{1}{2} z' H z + [x'(t) \ r'(t) \ u'(t-1)] F' z \\
 \text{s.t.} \quad & G z \leq W + S \begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ r(t) \\ u(t-1) \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

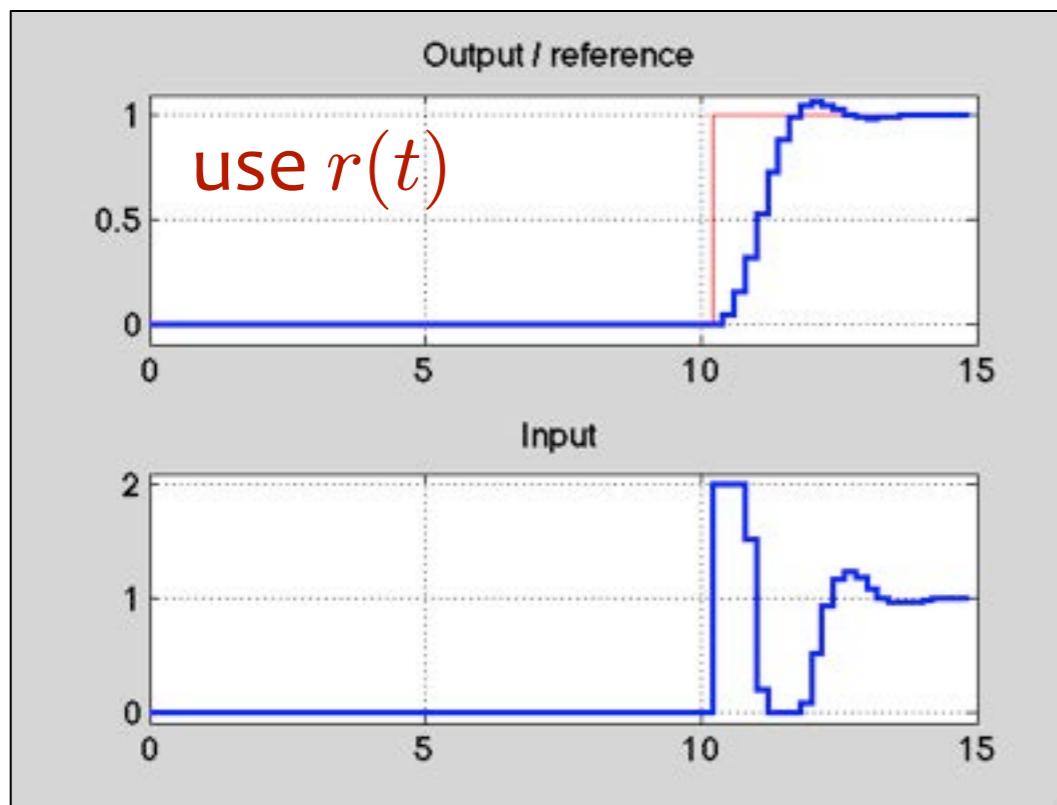
- Input references can be also handled by adding the extra penalty $\|W^u(u_k - u_{\text{ref}}(t))\|^2$
- Constraints on tracking errors can be also included: $e_{\min} \leq y_k - r(t) \leq e_{\max}$

ANTICIPATIVE ACTION (A.K.A. “PREVIEW”)

$$\min_{\Delta U} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \|W^y(y_{k+1} - r_{k+1})\|^2 + \|W^{\Delta u} \Delta u(k)\|^2$$

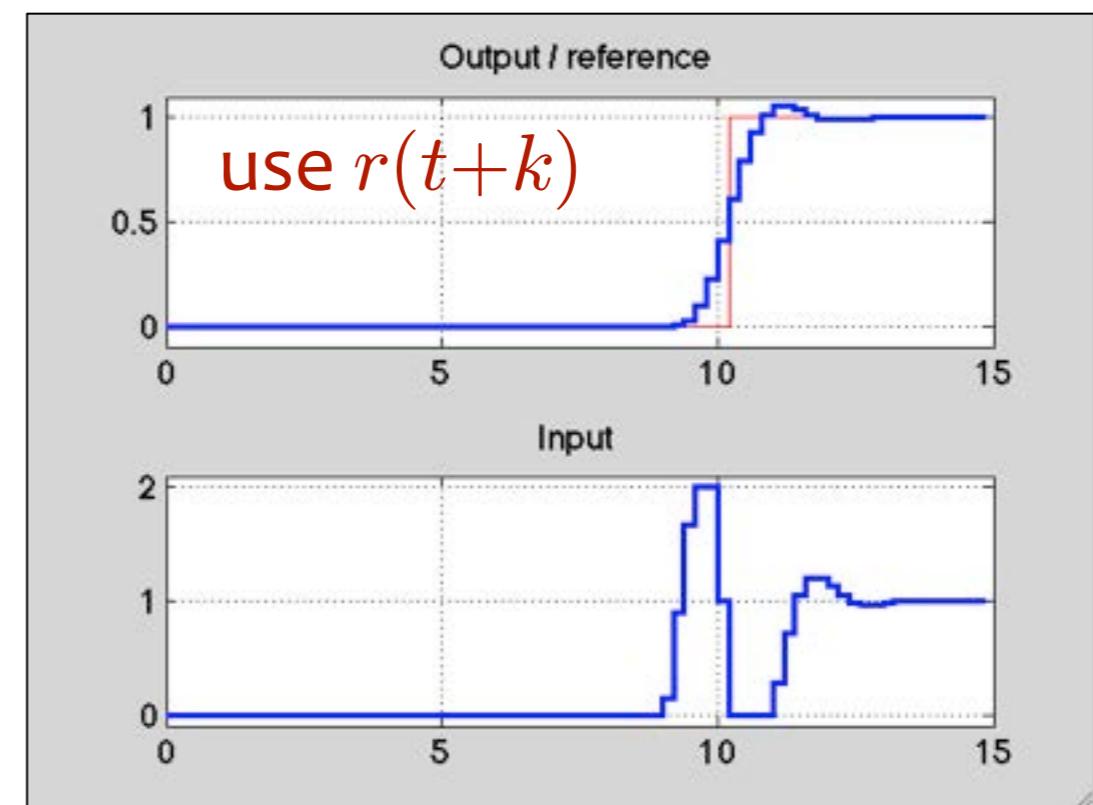
- Reference **not known** in advance (causal):

$$r_k \equiv r(t), \forall k = 0, \dots, N-1$$



- Future reference samples (partially) **known** in advance (anticipative action):

$$r_k \equiv r(t+k), \forall k = 0, \dots, N-1$$



Same idea also applies to reject **measured disturbances** entering the process

LINEAR PARAMETER-VARYING (LPV) MPC

LTI prediction
model

$$\begin{cases} x_{k+1} = A(p(t))x_k + B_u(p(t))u_k + B_v(p(t))v_k \\ y_k = C(p(t))x_k + D_v(p(t))v_k \end{cases} \quad x_0 = x(t)$$

Model depends on time t but does not change in prediction

quadratic
performance index

$$\min_U \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \|W^y(y_k - r(t))\|^2 + \|W^u(u_k - u^{\text{ref}}(t))\|^2$$



$$\begin{aligned} & \min_z \quad \frac{1}{2} z' H(p(t)) z + \theta'(t) F(p(t))' z \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & G(p(t)) z \leq W(p(t)) + S(p(t)) \theta(t) \end{aligned}$$

constraints

$$\begin{cases} u_{\min} \leq u_k \leq u_{\max} \\ y_{\min} \leq y_k \leq y_{\max} \end{cases}$$

All QP matrices are
constructed on line

- LPV models can be obtained from linearization of nonlinear models or from black-box LPV system identification

LINEARIZATION AND TIME-DISCRETIZATION

- Assume model is nonlinear and continuous-time

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x(t), u(t))$$

- Linearize around a nominal state $\bar{x}(t)$ and input $\bar{u}(t)$, such as:

- an **equilibrium**
- a **reference** value
- the **current** value

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx}{dt}(t + \tau) &\simeq \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{\bar{x}(t), \bar{u}(t)} (x(t + \tau) - \bar{x}(t)) \\ &+ \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} \right|_{\bar{x}(t), \bar{u}(t)} (u(t + \tau) - \bar{u}(t)) + f(x(t), u(t))\end{aligned}$$

- Conversion to discrete-time linear prediction model

discrete-time LPV model →

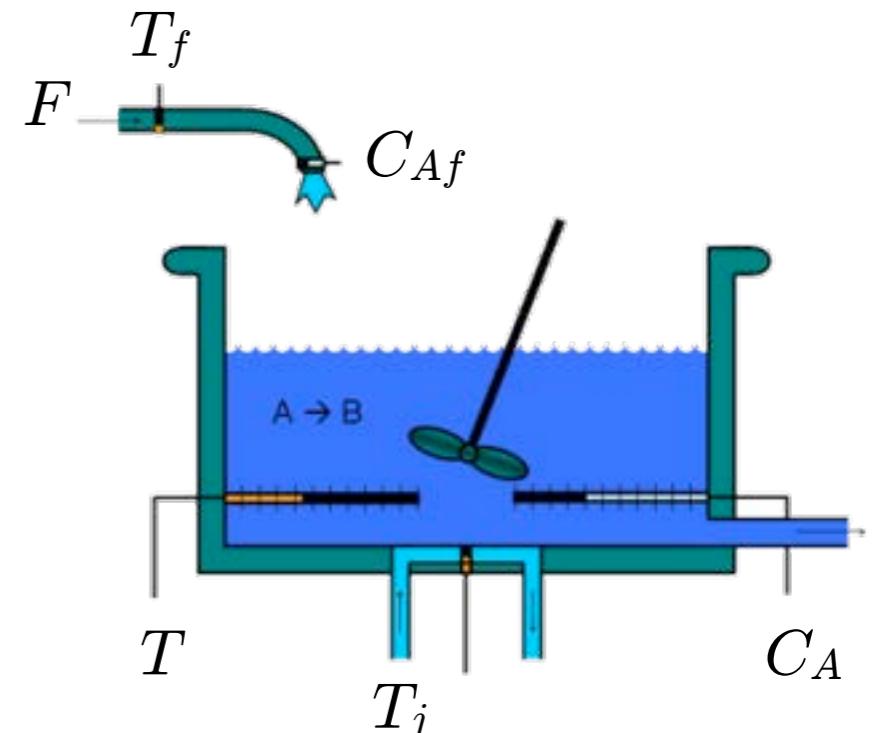
$$x_{k+1} = \left(I + T_s \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right|_{\bar{x}(t), \bar{u}(t)} \right) x_k + \left(T_s \left. \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} \right|_{\bar{x}(t), \bar{u}(t)} u_k + f_k \right)$$

model matrices depend on current time t

EXAMPLE: LPV-MPC OF A NONLINEAR CSTR SYSTEM

- MPC control of a diabatic continuous stirred tank reactor (CSTR)
- Process model is nonlinear:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dC_A}{dt} &= \frac{F}{V}(C_{Af} - C_A) - C_A k_0 e^{-\frac{\Delta E}{RT}} \\ \frac{dT}{dt} &= \frac{F}{V}(T_f - T) + \frac{UA}{\rho C_p V}(T_j - T) - \frac{\Delta H}{\rho C_p} C_A k_0 e^{-\frac{\Delta E}{RT}}\end{aligned}$$



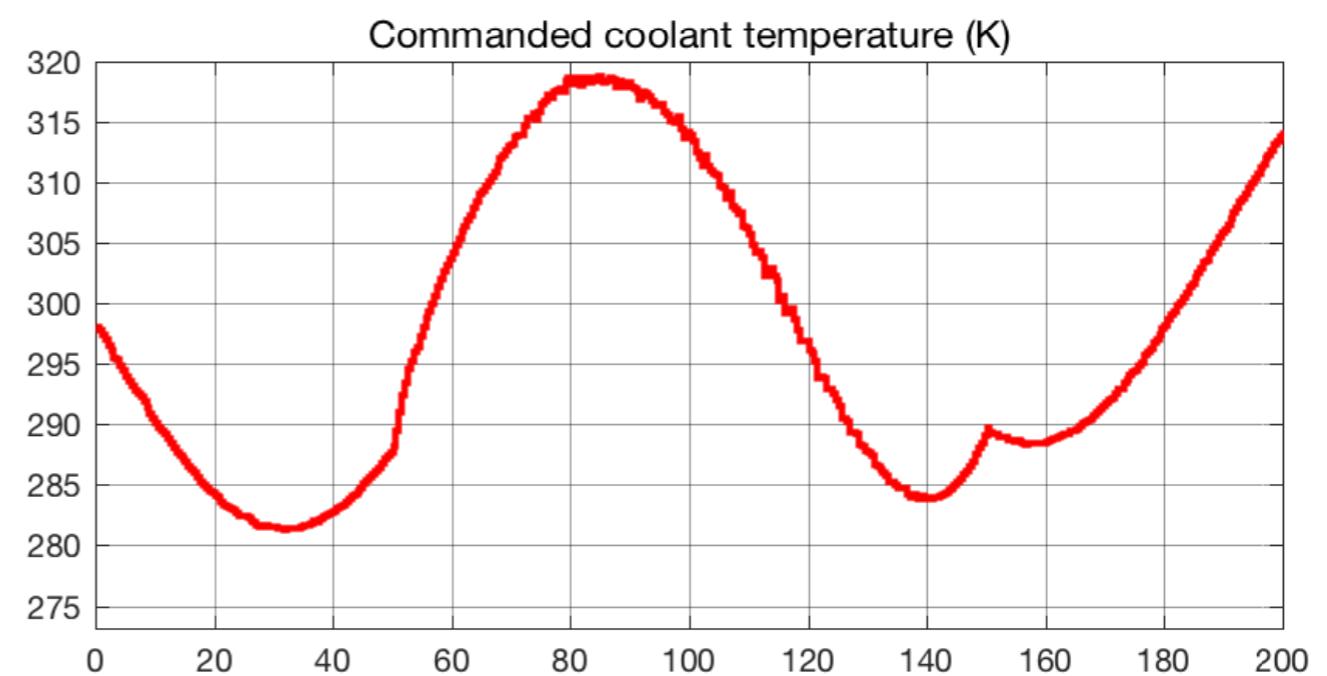
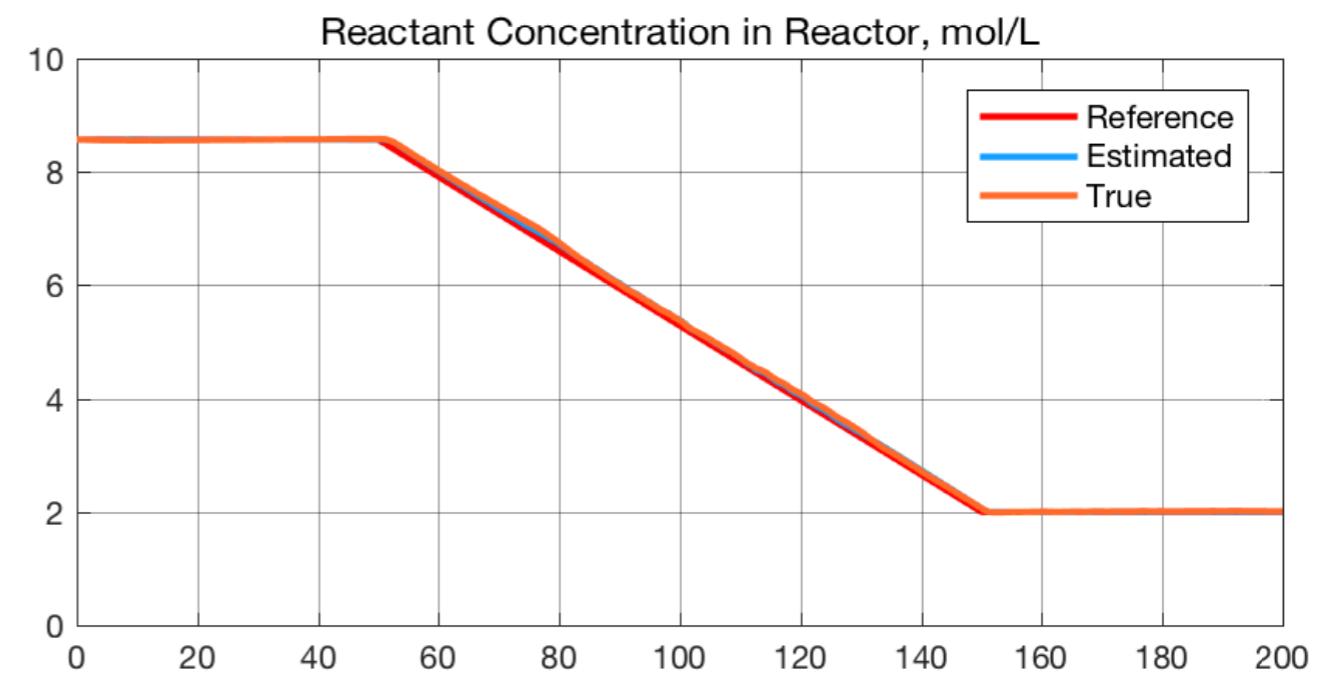
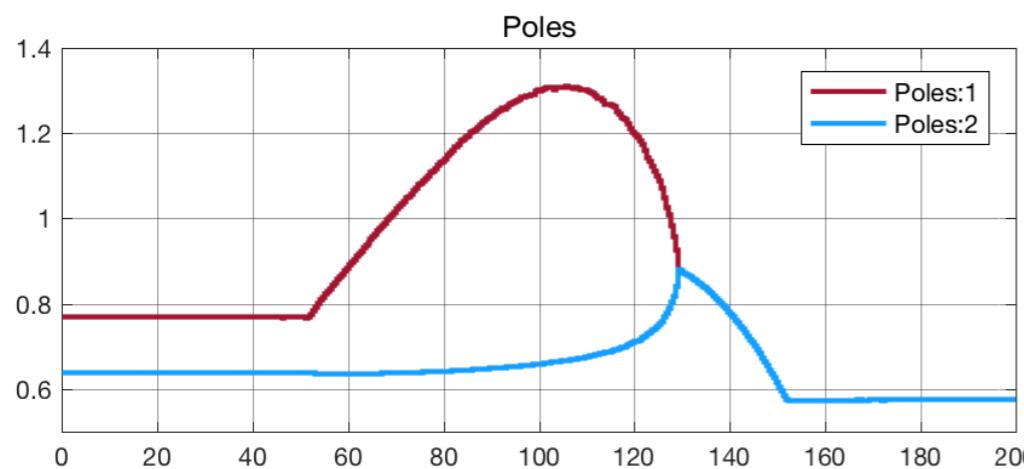
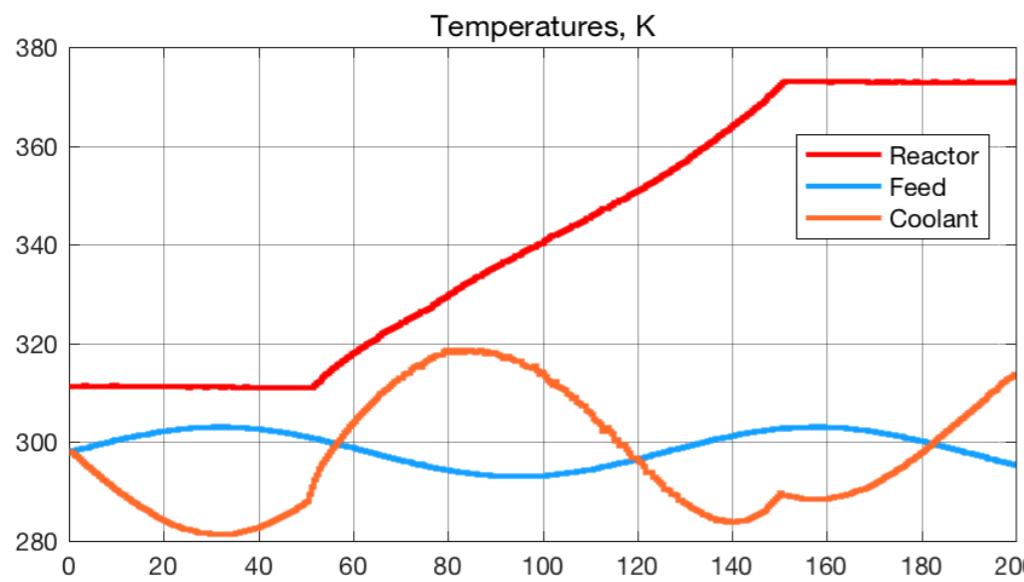
- T : temperature inside the reactor [K] (state)
- C_A : concentration of the reagent in the reactor [$kgmol/m^3$] (state)
- T_j : jacket temperature [K] (input)
- T_f : feedstream temperature [K] (measured disturbance)
- C_{Af} : feedstream concentration [$kgmol/m^3$] (measured disturbance)

- **Objective:** manipulate T_j to regulate C_A on desired set-point

`ampccstr_linearization` (MPC Toolbox)

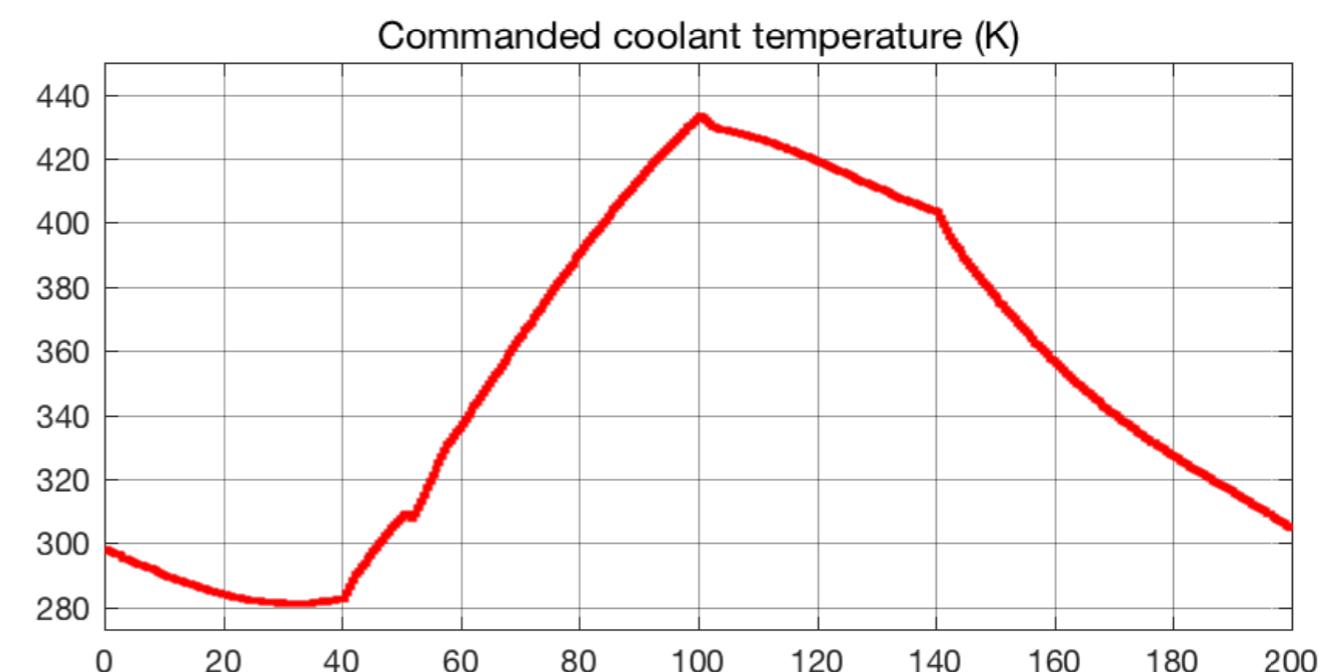
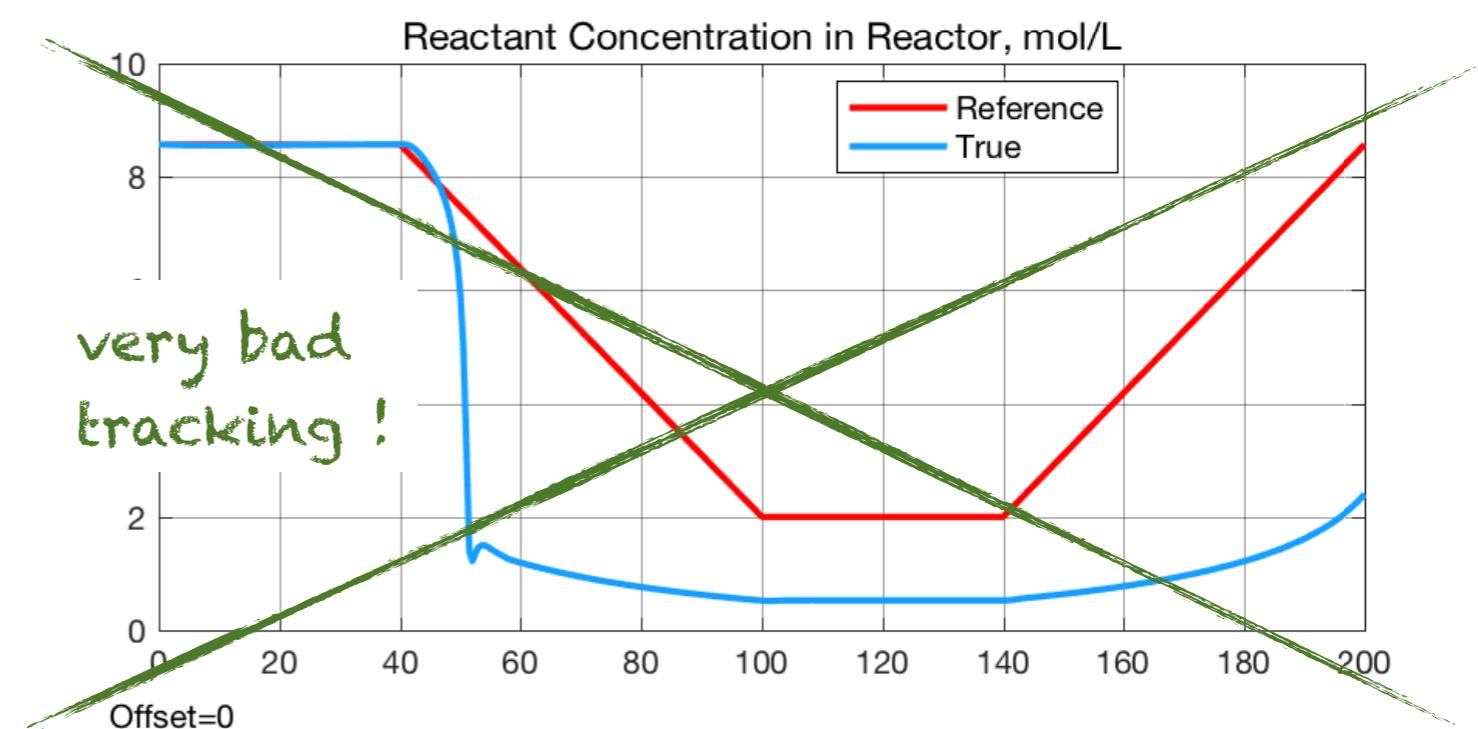
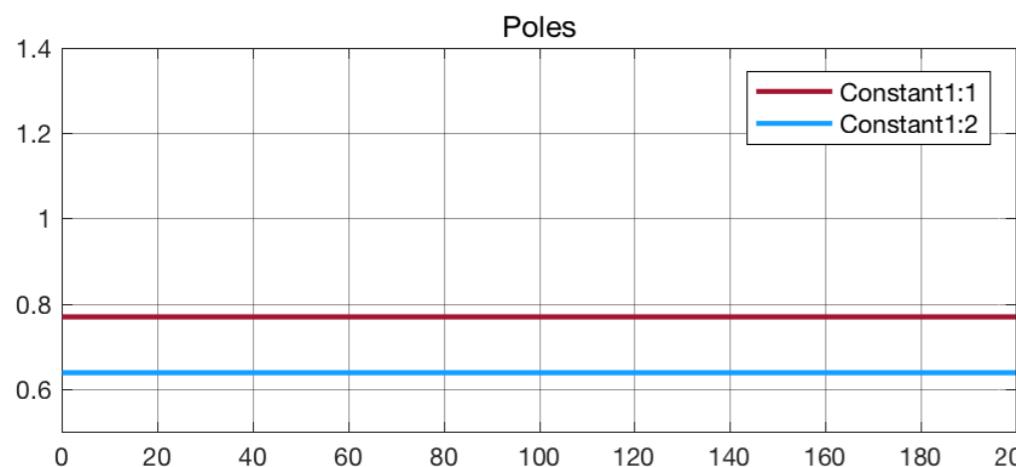
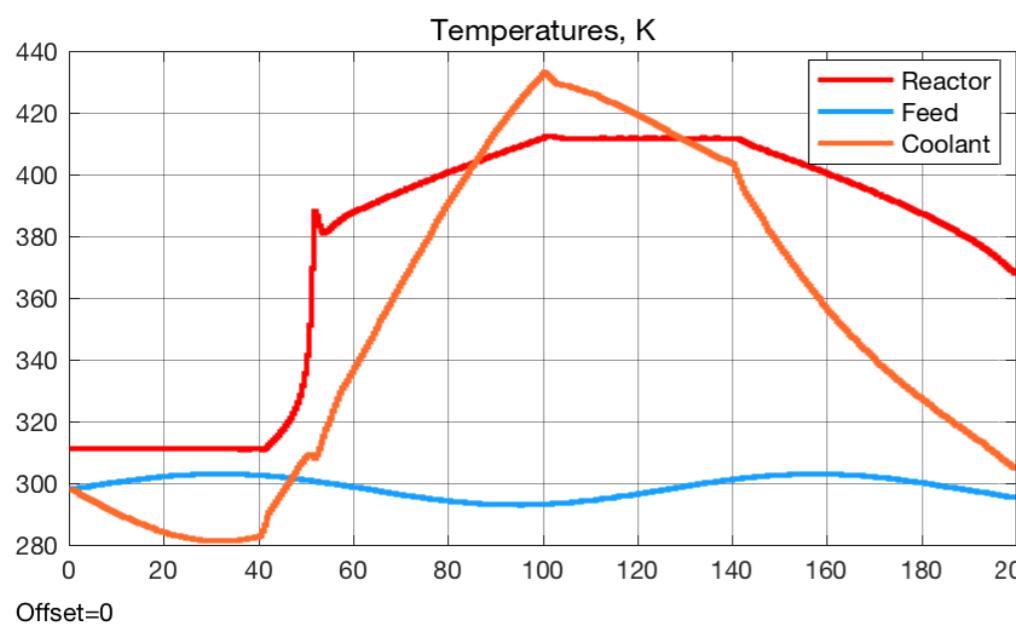
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- Closed-loop results



EXAMPLE: LTI-MPC OF A NONLINEAR CSTR SYSTEM

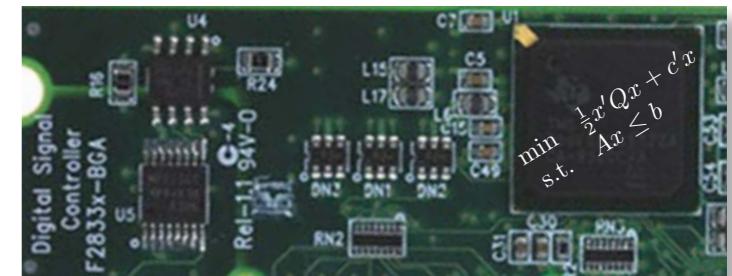
- Closed-loop results



EMBEDDED QP SOLVERS

MPC IN A PRODUCTION ENVIRONMENT

Key requirements for optimization-based controllers:



1. Speed (throughput)

- a. Execution time must be less than sampling interval
- b. Also fast on average (to free the processor to execute other tasks)



2. Be able to run on limited hardware (e.g., 150 MHz) with little memory



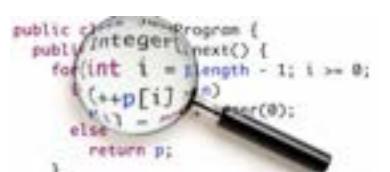
3. Robustness (e.g., with respect to numerical errors)



4. Worst-case execution time must be (tightly) estimated



5. Code simple enough to be validated/verified/certified (Library-free C code, easily understandable by production engineers)

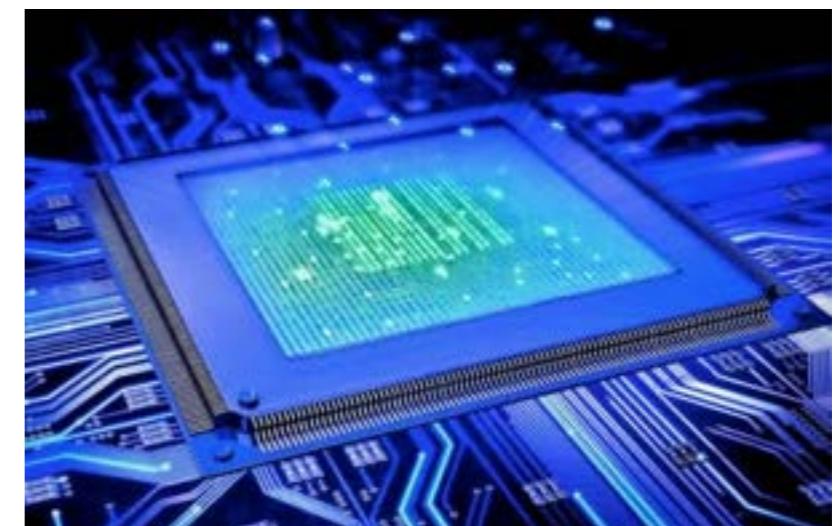


EMBEDDED SOLVERS IN INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

- Multivariable MPC controller
- Sampling frequency = 40 Hz (= 1 QP solved every 25 ms)
- Vehicle operating ~1 hr/day for ~360 days/year on average
- Controller may be running on 10 million vehicles

$\approx 520,000,000,000,000 \text{ QP/yr}$

and none of them should fail.

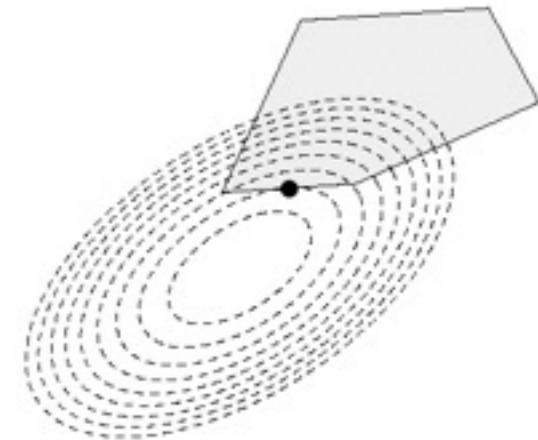


EMBEDDED LINEAR MPC AND QUADRATIC PROGRAMMING

- Linear MPC requires solving a (convex) Quadratic Program (QP)

$$\begin{array}{ll}\min_z & \frac{1}{2} z' H z + \cancel{x'(t) F' z} + \frac{1}{2} \cancel{x'(t) Y x(t)} \\ \text{s.t.} & G z \leq W + \cancel{S x(t)}\end{array}$$

$$z = \begin{bmatrix} u_0 \\ u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1} \end{bmatrix}$$



ON MINIMIZING A CONVEX FUNCTION SUBJECT TO LINEAR INEQUALITIES

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SUMMARY

THE minimization of a convex function of variables subject to linear inequalities is discussed briefly in general terms. Dantzig's Simplex Method is extended to yield finite algorithms for minimizing either a **convex quadratic function** or the sum of the t largest of a set of linear functions, and the solution of a generalization of the latter problem is indicated. In the last two sections a form of linear programming with random variables as coefficients is described, and shown to involve the minimization of a convex function.

(Beale, 1955)

A rich set of good QP algorithms is available today

Still a lot of research is going on to address **real-time requirements** ...

SOLUTION METHODS FOR QP

Most used algorithms for solving QP problems:

- **active set** methods (small/medium size)
- **interior point** methods (large scale)
- **conjugate gradient** methods
- **gradient projection** methods
- **alternating direction method of multipliers (ADMM)**
- ...

$$\begin{aligned} \min_z \quad & \frac{1}{2} z' H z + x' F z \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & G z \leq W + S x \end{aligned}$$

Quadratic Program (QP)

→ Read Dimitri's books for much more on this !



FAST GRADIENT PROJECTION METHOD

(Nesterov, 1983)

- Optimization problem:

$$\min_{z \in Z} f(z)$$

$$f : \mathbb{R}^s \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$
$$Z \subseteq \mathbb{R}^s$$

- f convex and ∇f Lipschitz continuous with constant L

$$\|\nabla f(z_1) - \nabla f(z_2)\| \leq L\|z_1 - z_2\|$$

- Accelerated gradient projection iterations:

$$w_k = z_k + \beta_k(z_k - z_{k-1})$$
$$z_{k+1} = \mathcal{P}_Z\left(w_k - \frac{1}{L}\nabla f(w_k)\right)$$

$$\beta_k = \begin{cases} 0 & k = 0 \\ \frac{k-1}{k+2} & k > 0 \end{cases}$$
$$z_{-1} = z_0$$

- Convergence rate: $f(z_{k+1}) - f^* \leq \frac{2L}{(k+2)^2} \|z_0 - z^*\|^2$

FAST GRADIENT PROJECTION FOR (DUAL) QP

(Patrinos, Bemporad, IEEE TAC, 2014)

- Apply **fast gradient method** to dual QP:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_z \quad & \frac{1}{2} z' H z + x' F' z \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & G z \leq W + S x \end{aligned}$$



$$\min_{y \geq 0} \quad \frac{1}{2} y' M y + (Dx + W)' y$$

$$\begin{aligned} M &= GH^{-1}G' && \text{prepared} \\ D &= GH^{-1}F + S && \text{off-line} \end{aligned}$$

$$L = \text{max eigenvalue of } M, \text{ or } L = \sqrt{\sum_{i,j=1}^m |M_{i,j}|^2} \quad (\text{Frobenius norm})$$

- Iterations:

$$\begin{aligned} K &= H^{-1}G' \\ J &= H^{-1}F' \end{aligned}$$

$$y_{-1} = y_0 = 0$$

$$\beta_k = \begin{cases} 0 & k = 0 \\ \frac{k-1}{k+2} & k > 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} w_k &= y_k + \beta_k(y_k - y_{k-1}) \\ z_k &= -Kw_k - Jx \\ s_k &= \frac{1}{L}Gz_k - \frac{1}{L}(Sx + W) \\ y_{k+1} &= \max\{y_k + s_k, 0\} \end{aligned}$$

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while keepgoing && (i<maxiter),
    beta=(i-1)/(i+2).* (i>0);
    w=y+beta*(y-y0);
    z=-(iMG*w+iMc);
    s=GLz-bL;
    y0=y;

    % Check termination conditions
    if all(s<=epsGL),
        gapL=-w'*s;
        if gapL<=epsVL,
            return
        end
    end

    y=max(w+s,0);
    i=i+1;
end

```

FAST GRADIENT PROJECTION FOR (DUAL) QP

(Patrinos, Bemporad, IEEE TAC, 2014)

- Termination criterion #1: **primal feasibility**

$$s_k^i \leq \frac{1}{L} \epsilon_G, \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, m$$

feasibility tol

- Termination criterion #2: **primal optimality**

$$f(z_k) - f^* \leq f(z_k) - \phi(w_k) = -w_k' s_k L \leq \epsilon_V$$

dual function

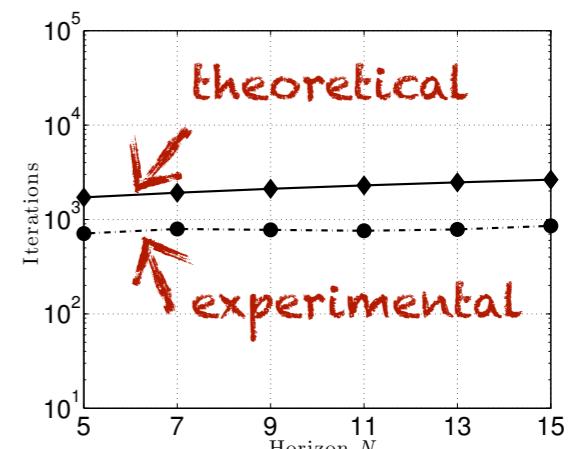
optimality tol

$$-w_k' s_k \leq \frac{1}{L} \epsilon_V$$

- Convergence rate:

$$f(z_{k+1}) - f^* \leq \frac{2L}{(k+2)^2} \|z_0 - z^*\|^2$$

- Tight bounds on maximum number of iterations



ADMM METHOD FOR QP

(Boyd et al., 2010)

- Alternating Directions Method of Multipliers (ADMM) for QP

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \frac{1}{2}x'Qx + q'x \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \ell \leq Ax \leq u \end{aligned}$$

- Scaled ADMM iterations:

$$\begin{aligned} x^{k+1} &= -(Q + \rho A^T A)^{-1}(\rho A^T(y^k - z^k) + q) \\ z^{k+1} &= \min\{\max\{Ax^{k+1} + y^k, \ell\}, u\} \\ y^{k+1} &= y^k + Ax^{k+1} - z^{k+1} \end{aligned}$$

$(\rho y = \text{dual vector})$

"integral action"

```
while i<maxiter,
    i=i+1;
    x=-iM*(c+A'*(rho*(u-z)));
    if i<maxiter,
        Ax=A*x;
        z=max(min(Ax+u,ub),lb);
        u=u+Ax-z;
    end
end
```

(9 lines EML code)

(~40 lines of C code)

REGULARIZED ADMM METHOD FOR QP

(Banjac, Stellato, Moehle, Goulart, Bemporad, Boyd, 2017)

- Scaled and regularized ADMM iterations:

$$\begin{aligned} x^{k+1} &= -(Q + \gamma A^T A + \epsilon I)^{-1}(q - \epsilon x_k + \gamma A^T(y^k - z^k)) \\ z^{k+1} &= \min\{\max\{Ax^{k+1} + y^k, \ell\}, u\} \\ y^{k+1} &= y^k + Ax^{k+1} - z^{k+1} \end{aligned}$$

$$Q \geq 0$$

$$\epsilon \geq 0$$

ρy = dual vector

- Infeasibility detection:

$$\left\| \frac{y_k}{-u' \max\{y_k, 0\} + l' \max\{-y_k, 0\}} \right\|_\infty \leq \epsilon_I$$

- Unboundedness detection:

$$v_k = \frac{x_k}{-c' x_k}, \|Qv_k\|_\infty \leq \epsilon_U, \begin{cases} A^i v_k \leq \epsilon_U \text{ & } u^i < +\infty \\ A^i v_k \geq -\epsilon_U \text{ & } l^i > -\infty \end{cases}$$

- Simple, fast, robust.** Only needs to factorize $\begin{bmatrix} Q + \epsilon I & A' \\ A & -\gamma I \end{bmatrix}$ once

osQP solver

<https://github.com/oxfordcontrol/osqp>

SCALING (OR PRECONDITIONING)

- **Preconditioning** can improve convergence rate of iterative algorithms
(in particular first-order methods are very sensitive to scaling)

(Giselsson, Boyd, 2015)

primal QP

$$\begin{aligned} \min_z \quad & \frac{1}{2} z' H z + f' z \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & G z \leq W \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} M &= GH^{-1}G' \\ d &= GH^{-1}f + W \end{aligned}$$

- **Dual scaling (Jacobi scaling):** (Bertsekas, 2009)

$$\begin{aligned} \min_y \quad & \frac{1}{2} y' M y + d' y \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & y \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

dual QP

scaling $y = P y_s$

$$P = \text{diag} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{M_{ii}}} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{y_s} \quad & \frac{1}{2} y_s' (P M P) y_s + d' P y_s \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & y_s \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

scaled dual QP

- Equivalent to just **scale constraints** in primal problem: $\frac{1}{\sqrt{M_{ii}}} G_i z \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{M_{ii}}} W_i$
- Primal solution: $z^* = -H^{-1}((PG)' y_s^* + f)$

CAN WE SOLVE QP'S USING LEAST SQUARES ?

The Least Squares (LS) problem is probably the most studied problem in numerical linear algebra

$$v = \arg \min \|Av - b\|_2^2$$



(Legendre, 1805)



(Gauss, <= 1809)

In MATLAB: >> **v=A\b** % (1 character !)

- Nonnegative Least Squares (NNLS):

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_v \|Av - b\|_2^2 \\ & \text{s.t. } v \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

ACTIVE-SET METHOD FOR NONNEGATIVE LEAST SQUARES

(Lawson, Hanson, 1974)

$$\begin{aligned} \min_v \quad & \|Av - b\|_2^2 \\ \text{s.t. } & v \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$



- 1) $\mathcal{P} \leftarrow \emptyset, v \leftarrow 0;$
- 2) $w \leftarrow A'(Av - b);$
- 3) **if** $w \geq 0$ **or** $\mathcal{P} = \{1, \dots, m\}$ **then go to Step 11;**
- 4) $i \leftarrow \arg \min_{i \in \{1, \dots, m\} \setminus \mathcal{P}} w_i, \mathcal{P} \leftarrow \mathcal{P} \cup \{i\};$
- 5) $y_{\mathcal{P}} \leftarrow \arg \min_{z_{\mathcal{P}}} \|((A')_{\mathcal{P}})' z_{\mathcal{P}} - b\|_2^2, v_{\{1, \dots, m\} \setminus \mathcal{P}} \leftarrow 0;$
- 6) **if** $y_{\mathcal{P}} \geq 0$ **then** $v \leftarrow y$ **and go to Step 2;**
- 7) $j \leftarrow \arg \min_{h \in \mathcal{P}: y_h \leq 0} \left\{ \frac{v_h}{v_h - y_h} \right\};$
- 8) $v \leftarrow v + \frac{v_j}{v_j - y_j} (y - v);$
- 9) $\mathcal{I} \leftarrow \{h \in \mathcal{P} : v_h = 0\}, \mathcal{P} \leftarrow \mathcal{P} \setminus \mathcal{I};$
- 10) **go to Step 5;**
- 11) $v^* \leftarrow v; \text{ end.}$

NNLS algorithm:

While maintaining the primal var v feasible, keep switching the active set until the dual var w is also feasible

- NNLS algorithm is very simple (**750 chars in Embedded MATLAB**)
- The key operation is to solve a **standard LS problem** at each iteration (via QR, LDL, or Cholesky factorization)

SOLVING QP'S VIA NONNEGATIVE LEAST SQUARES

(Bemporad, 2016)

- Use NNLS to solve strictly convex QP

$$\begin{aligned} \min_z \quad & \frac{1}{2} z' Q z + c' z \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & G z \leq g \end{aligned}$$

QP

$$u \triangleq Lz + L^{-T}c$$

complete the squares

$$Q = L'L$$

$$M = GL^{-1}$$

$$d = b + GQ^{-1}c$$

$$\begin{aligned} \min_u \quad & \frac{1}{2} \|u\|^2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & Mu \leq d \end{aligned}$$

Least
Distance
Problem

QP problem infeasible

yes

residual
= 0 ?

no

$$z^* = -\frac{1}{1+d'y^*} L^{-1} M' y^* - Q^{-1}c$$

retrieve primal solution

$$\begin{aligned} \min_y \quad & \frac{1}{2} \left\| \begin{bmatrix} M' \\ d' \end{bmatrix} y + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\|_2^2 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & y \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Nonnegative Least Squares

- Fast and relatively simple active-set QP solver. But not very robust ...

SOLVING QP VIA NNLS: ROBUST ALGORITHM

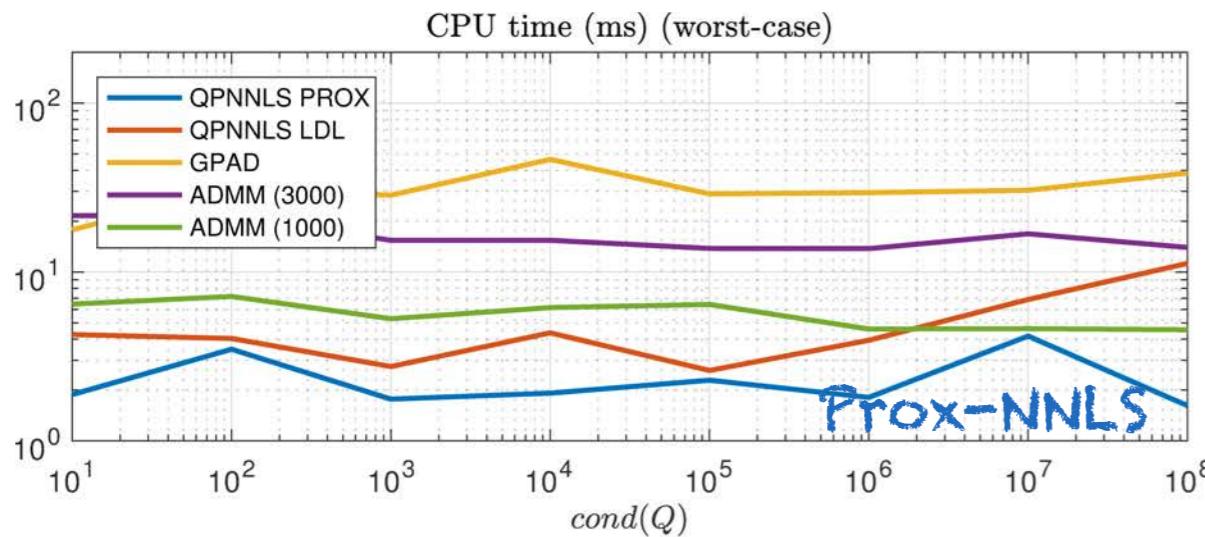
(Bemporad, 2017)

- Key idea: solve a sequence of regularized QP problems

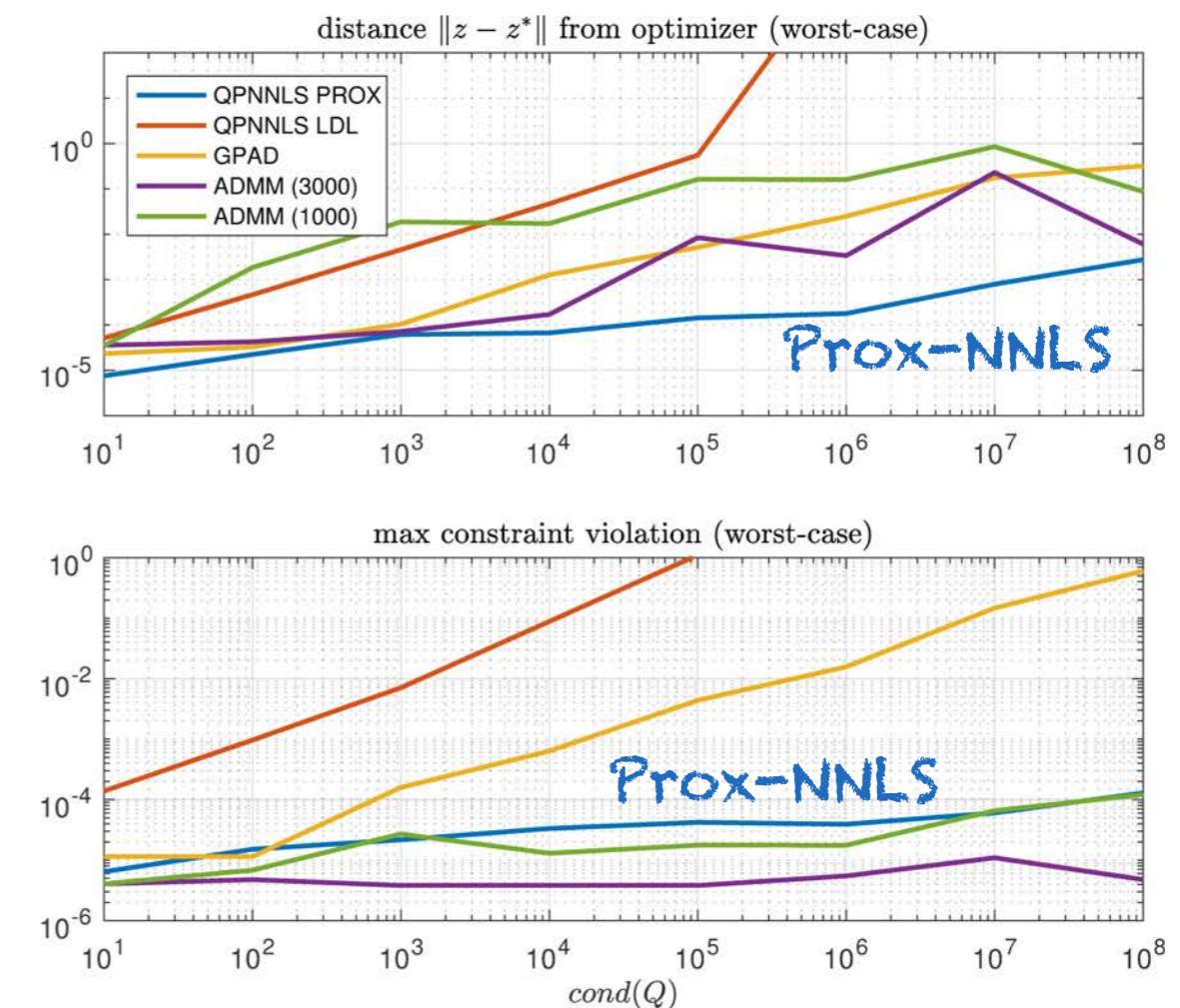
$$\begin{aligned} z_{k+1} = \arg \min_z & \frac{1}{2} z' Q z + c' z + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \|z - z_k\|_2^2 \\ \text{s.t. } & A z \leq b \\ & G x = g \end{aligned}$$

proximal-point algorithm,
iterations converge to
the optimal solution

- Main advantage: primal Hessian $Q + \epsilon I$ can be arbitrarily well conditioned !
(tradeoff robustness/CPU time)



single precision arithmetic, random QPs
30 vars, 100 constraints (this Mac)



EMBEDDED MPC WITHOUT SOLVING QP'S ON LINE

dynamical model
(based on data)

embedded model-based optimizer

reference

$$r(t)$$



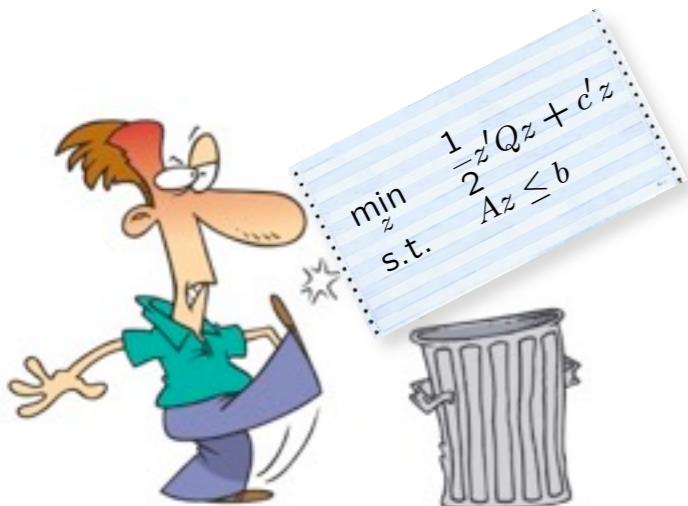
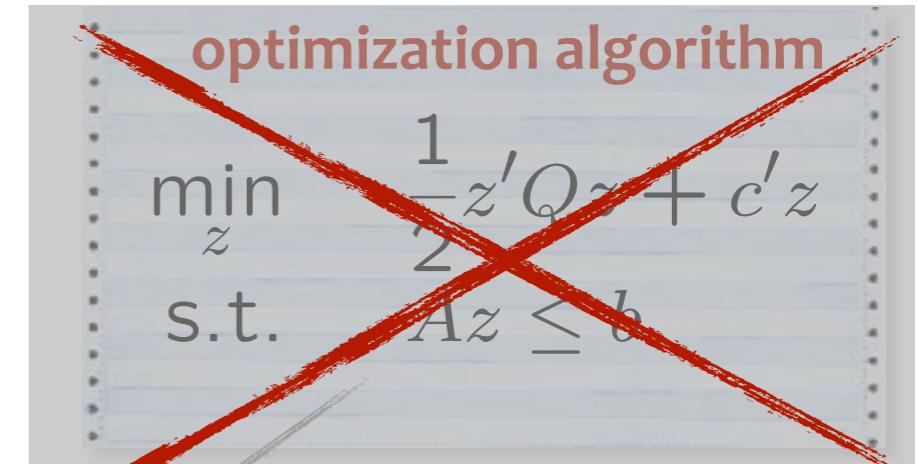
input

$$u(t)$$

process

output

$$y(t)$$



- Can we implement MPC **without** an embedded optimization solver ?

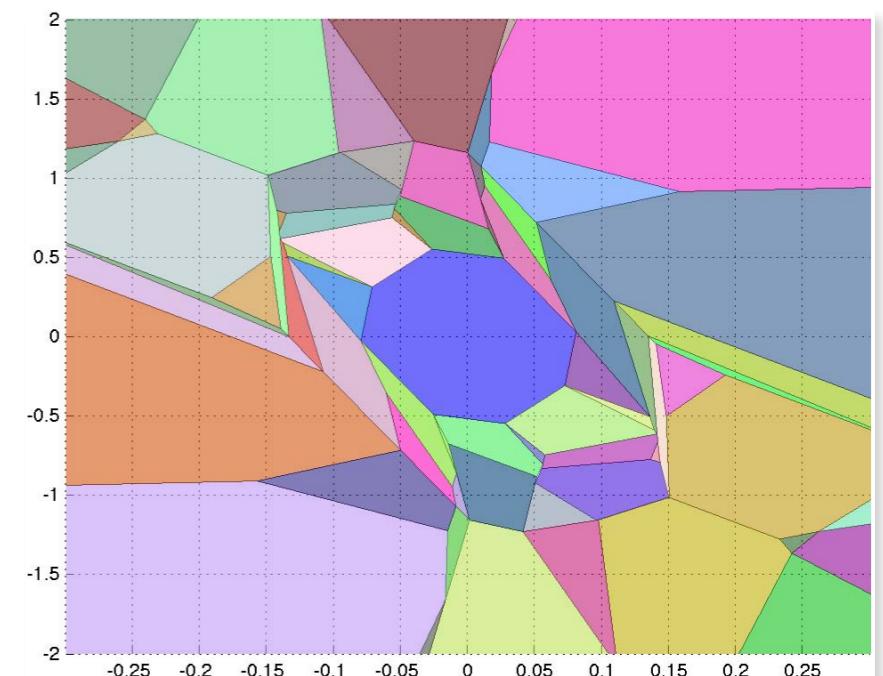
YES !

EXPLICIT MODEL PREDICTIVE CONTROL AND MULTIPARAMETRIC QP

(Bemporad, Morari, Dua, Pistikopoulos, 2002)

The multiparametric solution of a strictly convex QP
is **continuous** and **piecewise affine**

$$\begin{aligned} z^*(x) = \arg \min_z \quad & \frac{1}{2} z' H z + x' F' z \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & G z \leq W + S x \end{aligned}$$



Corollary: The linear MPC control law is continuous & piecewise affine !

$$z^* = \begin{bmatrix} u_0^* \\ u_1^* \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1}^* \end{bmatrix} \quad \rightarrow \quad u(x) = \begin{cases} F_1 x + g_1 & \text{if } H_1 x \leq K_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ F_M x + g_M & \text{if } H_M x \leq K_M \end{cases}$$

while ((num<EXPON_REG) && check) {
 isinside=1;
 while ((il<=i2) && isinside) {
 aux=0;
 for (j=0;j<EXPON_NTH;j++)
 aux+=(double)EXPON_P[il+j*EXPON_NH];
 if (aux>(double)EXPON_X[il])
 isinside=0; /* get out of loop, th violates
 else
 il++;
 }
 if (isinside) {
 check=1; /* solution found 1 */
 il=il-1;
 }
 num++;
 il+=2+1; /* get next delimiter il */
 i2+=EXPON_len[num]; /* get next delimiter i2 */
}

It's just a while loop!

MULTIPARAMETRIC QUADRATIC PROGRAMMING

- A variety of mpQP solvers is available

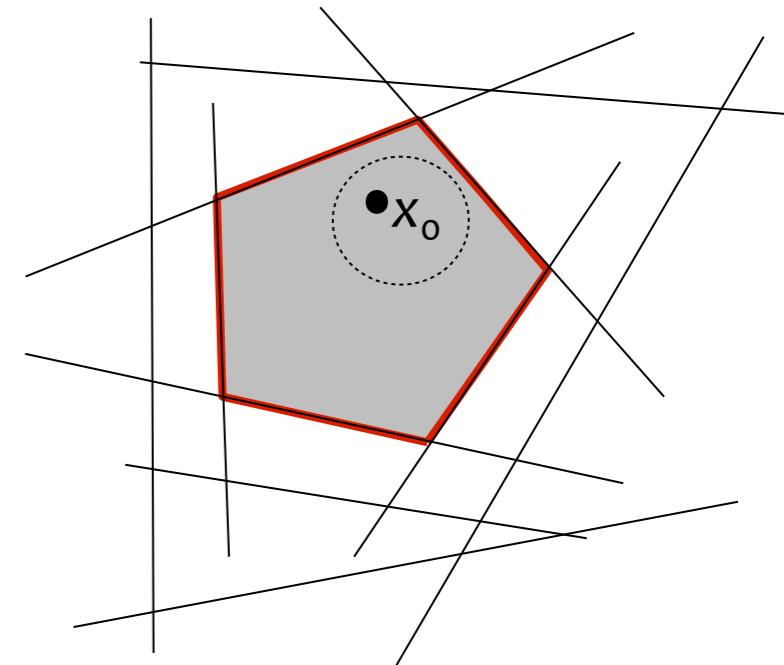
(Bemporad *et al.*, 2002) (Baotic, 2002)
(Tøndel, Johansen, Bemporad, 2003)
(Jones, Morari, 2006) (Spjøtvold *et al.*, 2006) (Patrinos, Sarimveis, 2010)

- Most computations are spent in **operations on polyhedra** (=critical regions)

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{G}z^*(x) &\leq \hat{W} + \hat{S}x \\ \tilde{\lambda}^*(x) &\geq 0\end{aligned}$$

feasibility of primal solution
feasibility of dual solution

- checking **emptiness of polyhedra**
- removal of **redundant inequalities**
- checking **full-dimensionality** of polyhedra



- All such operations are usually done via **linear programming (LP)**
- Can be also performed via **nonnegative least squares (NNLS)** (Bemporad, 2015)

NNLS FOR SOLVING MPQP PROBLEMS

- Comparison of mpQP solvers

– **Hybrid Toolbox** (Bemporad, 2003)

– **Multiparametric Toolbox 2.6** (with default opts)
(Kvasnica, Grieder, Baotic, 2004)
(Herczeg, Kvasnica, Jones, Morari, 2013)

– **NNLS - MPC Toolbox (\geq R2014b)**

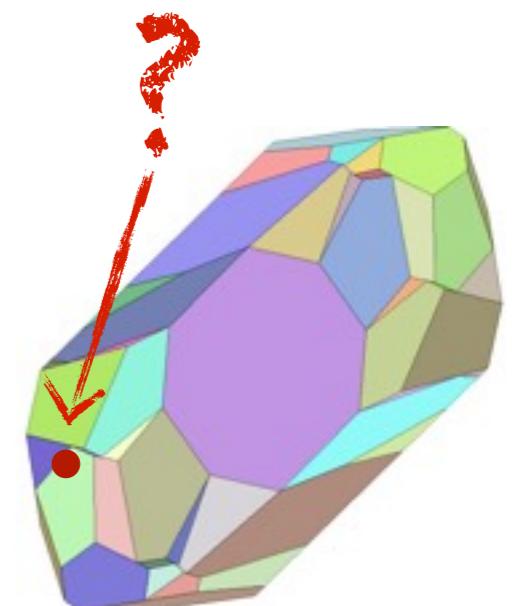


(Bemporad, Morari, Ricker, 1998-present)

q	m	Hybrid Tbx	MPT	NNLS
4	2	0.0174	0.0256	0.0026
4	3	0.0263	0.0356	0.0038
4	4	0.0432	0.0559	0.0061
4	5	0.0650	0.0850	0.0097
4	6	0.0827	0.1105	0.0126
8	2	0.0347	0.0396	0.0050
8	3	0.0583	0.0680	0.0092
8	4	0.0916	0.0999	0.0140
8	5	0.1869	0.2147	0.0322
8	6	0.3177	0.3611	0.0586
12	2	0.0398	0.0387	0.0054
12	3	0.1121	0.1158	0.0191
12	4	0.2067	0.2001	0.0352
12	5	0.6180	0.6428	0.1151
12	6	1.2453	1.3601	0.2426
20	2	0.1029	0.0763	0.0152
20	3	0.3698	0.2905	0.0588
20	4	0.9069	0.7100	0.1617
20	5	2.2978	1.9761	0.4395
20	6	6.1220	6.2518	1.2853

COMPLEXITY OF MULTIPARAMETRIC SOLUTIONS

- The number of regions depends (exponentially) on the number of possible **combinations of active constraints**
- Explicit MPC gets less attractive when number of regions grows: too much **memory** required, too much **time** to locate state $x(t)$
- Fast **on-line** QP solvers (=implicit MPC) may be preferable



When is implicit preferable to explicit MPC ?

COMPLEXITY CERTIFICATION FOR ACTIVE SET QP SOLVERS

- Consider a dual active-set QP solver

(Goldfarb, Idnani, 1983)

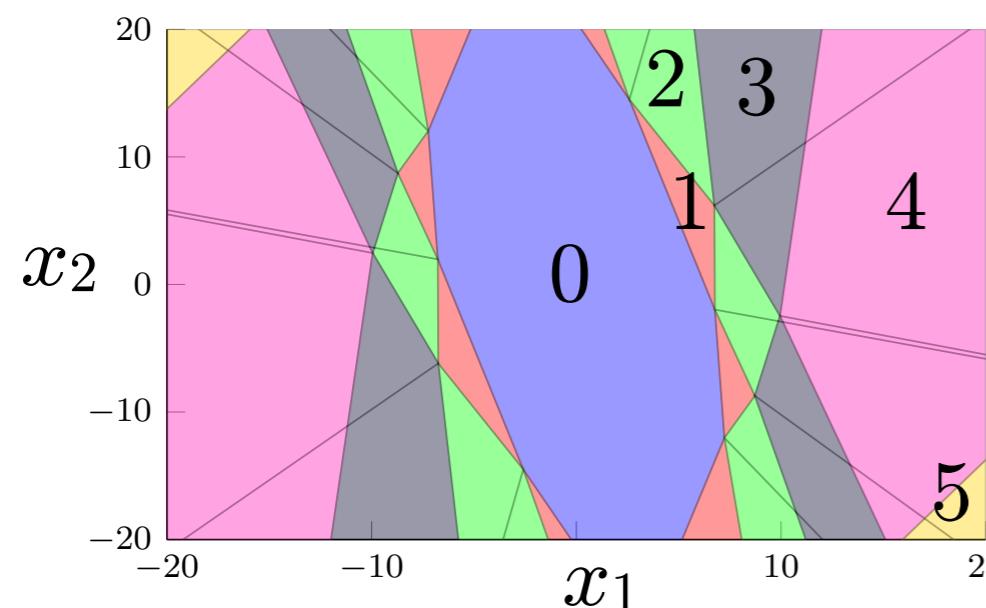
(Cimini, Bemporad, IEEE TAC, 2017)

$$\begin{aligned} z^*(x) = \arg \min_z \quad & \frac{1}{2} z' H z + x' F' z \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & G z \leq W + S x \end{aligned}$$

- What is the worst-case number of iterations over x to solve the QP ?

- Key result:

The number of iterations to solve the QP is a piecewise constant function of the parameter x



We can **exactly** quantify how many iterations (flops) the QP solver takes in the worst-case !

COMPLEXITY CERTIFICATION FOR ACTIVE SET QP SOLVERS

- Examples (from MPC Toolbox):

	inv.	pend.	DC motor	nonlin.	demo	AFTI 16
# vars		5	3		6	5
# constraints		10	10		18	12
# params		9	6		10	10
Explicit MPC						
# regions		87	67		215	417
max flops		3382	1689		9184	16434
max memory (kb)		55	30		297	430
Implicit MPC						
max iters		11	9		13	16
max flops		3809	2082		7747	7807
sqrt		27	9		37	33
max memory (kb)		15	13		20	16

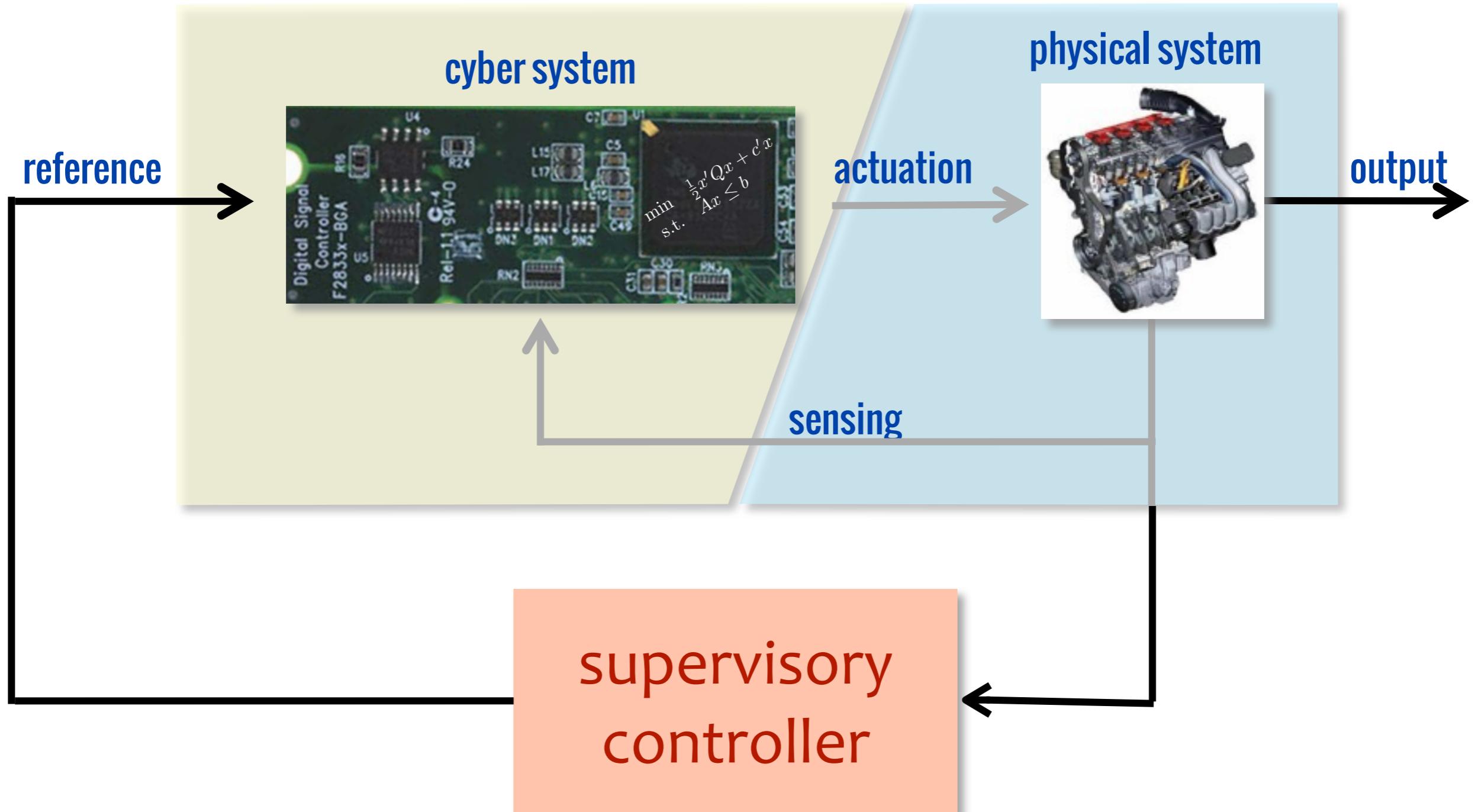
explicit MPC is faster
in the worst-case

online QP is faster
in the worst-case

- It is possible to combine explicit and on-line QP for best tradeoff

HYBRID MPC OF CYBER-PHYSICAL SYSTEMS

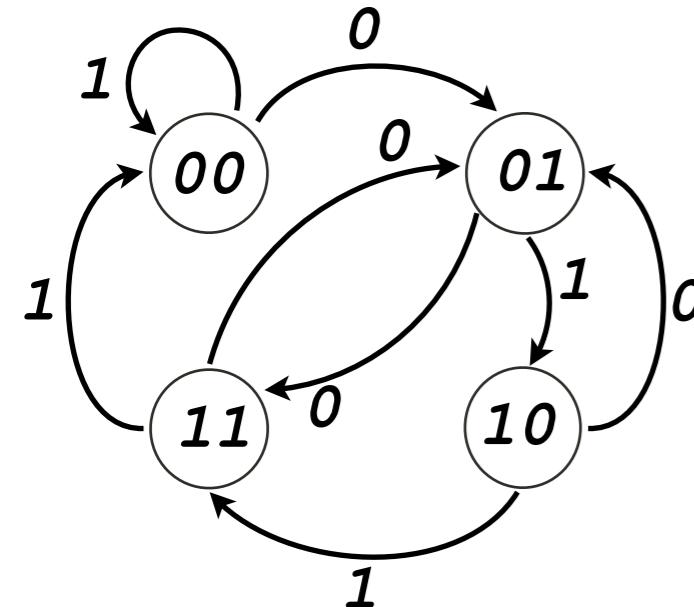
CONTROL OF CYBER-PHYSICAL SYSTEMS



What is a good model of a CPS for supervisory control purposes ?

HYBRID DYNAMICAL SYSTEMS

cyber system



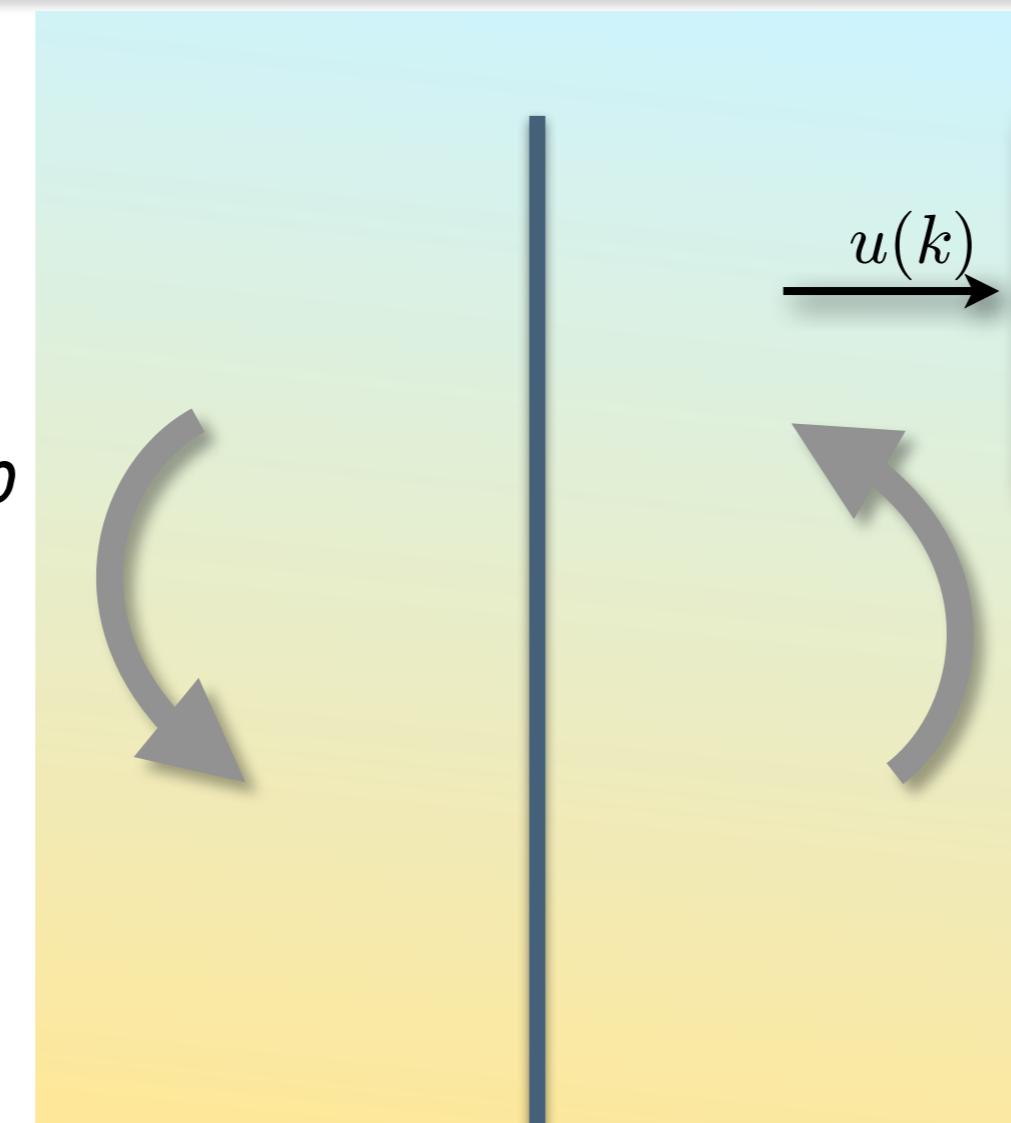
physical system

continuous
dynamical
system

$$u(k) \rightarrow$$

$$x(k) \rightarrow$$

hybrid
dynamical
system



- Variables are **discrete-valued**
 $x \in \{0, 1\}^{n_b}, u \in \{0, 1\}^{m_b}$
- Dynamics = **finite state machine**
- **Logic** constraints

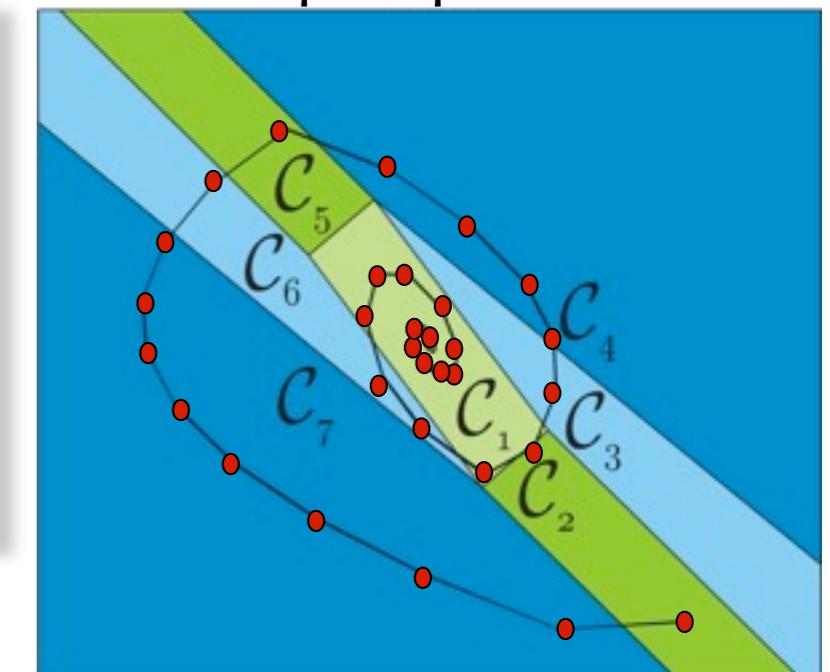
- Variables are **real-valued**
 $x \in \mathbb{R}^{n_c}, u \in \mathbb{R}^{m_c}$
- **Difference/differential equations**
- **Linear inequality** constraints

PIECEWISE AFFINE SYSTEMS

$$\begin{aligned}
 x(k+1) &= A_{i(k)}x(k) + B_{i(k)}u(k) + f_{i(k)} \\
 y(k) &= C_{i(k)}x(k) + D_{i(k)}u(k) + g_{i(k)} \\
 i(k) \text{ s.t. } & H_{i(k)}x(k) + J_{i(k)}u(k) \leq K_{i(k)}
 \end{aligned}$$

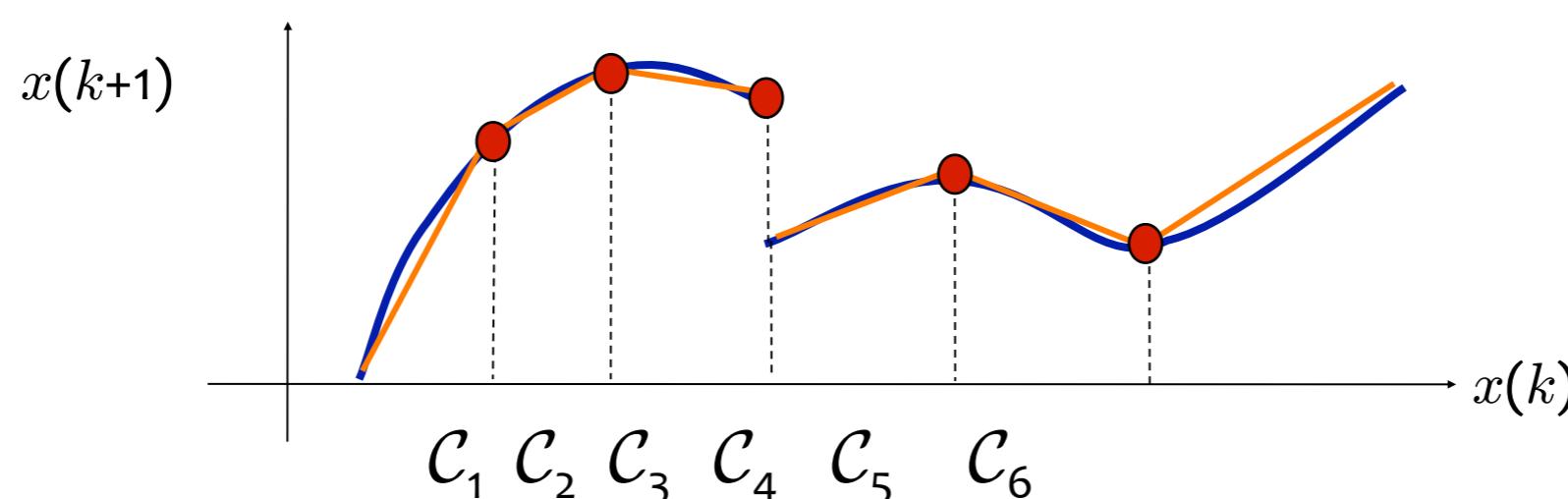
$$\begin{aligned}
 x &\in \mathbb{R}^n, u \in \mathbb{R}^m, y \in \mathbb{R}^p \\
 i(k) &\in \{1, \dots, s\}
 \end{aligned}$$

state+input space



(Sontag 1981)

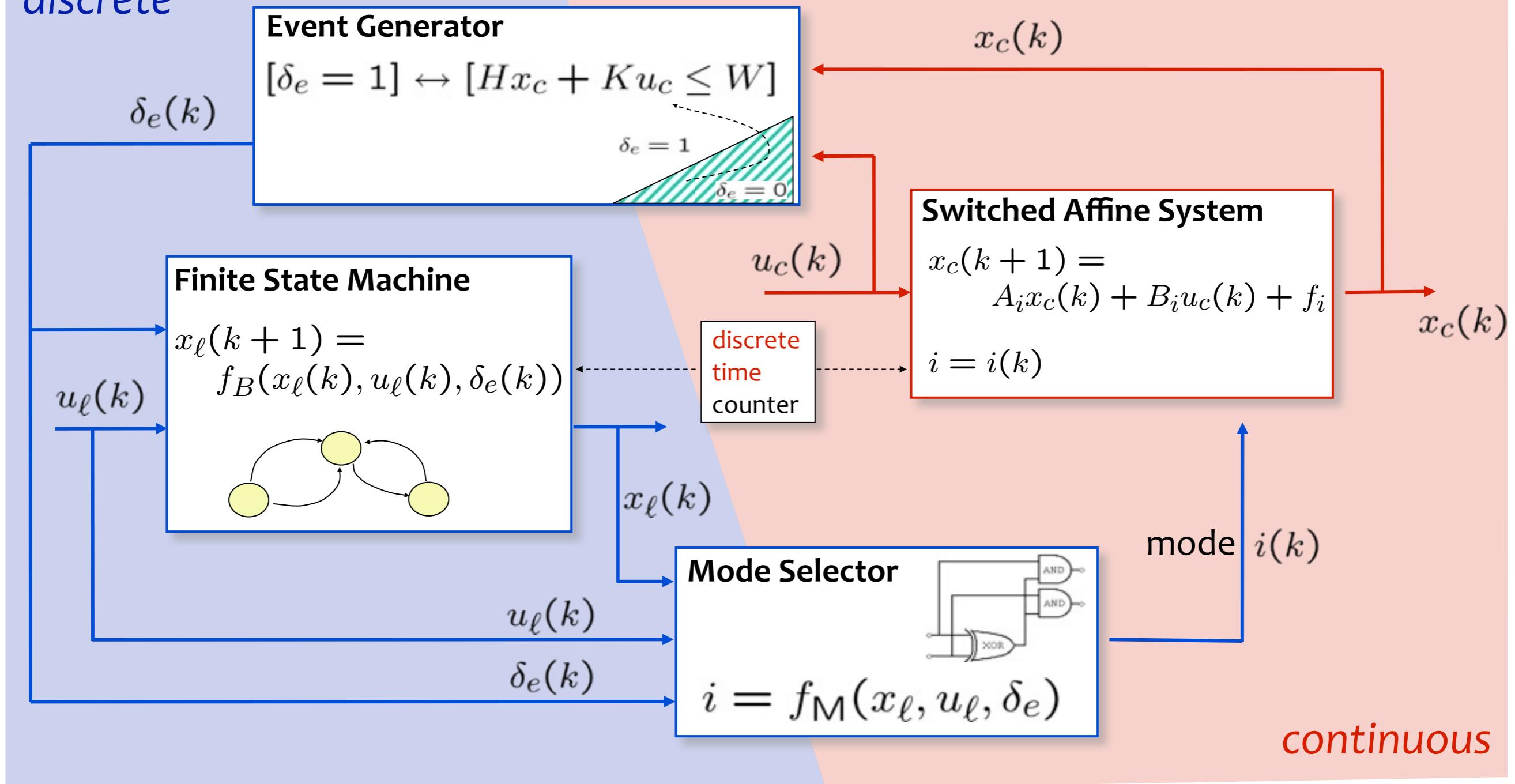
Can approximate nonlinear and/or discontinuous dynamics arbitrarily well



DISCRETE HYBRID AUTOMATON (DHA)

(Torrisi, Bemporad, 2004)

discrete



$x_\ell \in \{0, 1\}^{n_\ell}$ = binary state
 $u_\ell \in \{0, 1\}^{m_\ell}$ = binary input
 $\delta_e \in \{0, 1\}^{n_e}$ = event variable

$x_c \in \mathbb{R}^{n_c}$ = real-valued state
 $u_c \in \mathbb{R}^{m_c}$ = real-valued input
 $i \in \{1, \dots, s\}$ = current mode

LOGIC AND INEQUALITIES

$$X_1 \vee X_2 = \text{TRUE} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \delta_1 + \delta_2 \geq 1, \quad \delta_1, \delta_2 \in \{0, 1\} \quad (\text{Glover 1975, Williams 1977, Hooker 2000})$$

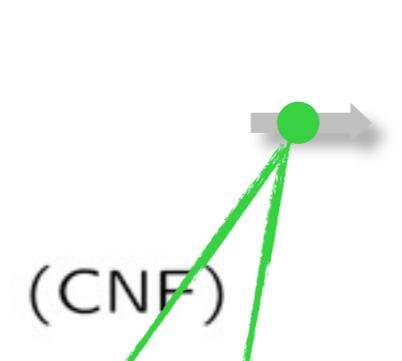
Any logic statement

$f(X) = \text{TRUE}$

$$\bigwedge_{j=1}^m \left(\bigvee_{i \in P_j} X_i \vee \bigvee_{i \in N_j} \neg X_i \right)$$

$N_j, P_j \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$

(CNF)

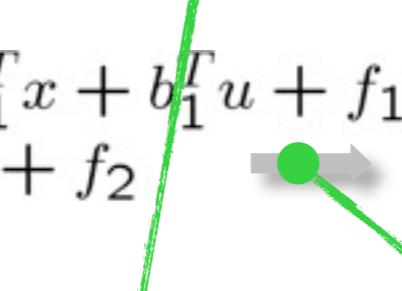


$$\begin{cases} 1 \leq \sum_{i \in P_1} \delta_i + \sum_{i \in N_1} (1 - \delta_i) \\ \vdots \\ 1 \leq \sum_{i \in P_m} \delta_i + \sum_{i \in N_m} (1 - \delta_i) \end{cases}$$

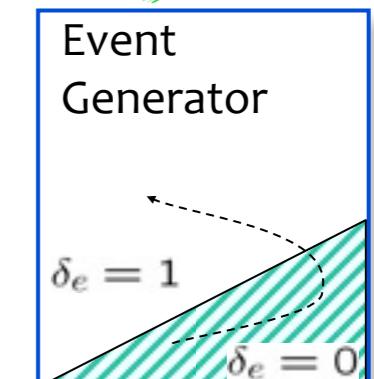
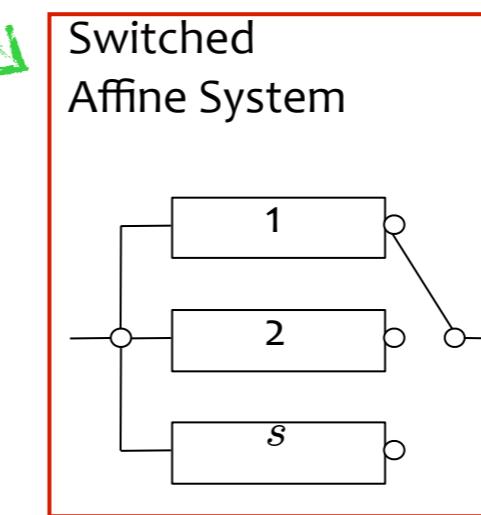
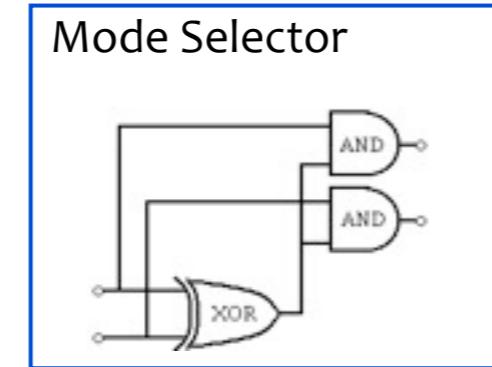
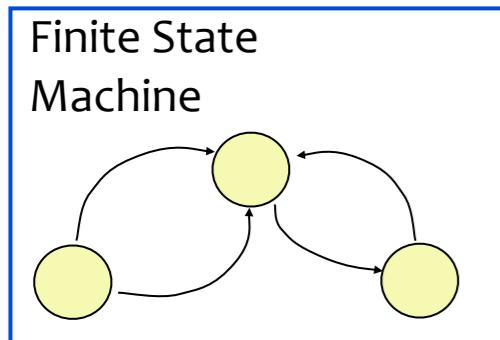
$$[\delta_e^i(k) = 1] \leftrightarrow [H^i x_c(k) \leq W^i]$$


$$\begin{cases} H^i x_c(k) - W^i \leq M^i (1 - \delta_e^i) \\ H^i x_c(k) - W^i > m^i \delta_e^i \end{cases}$$

IF $[\delta = 1]$ THEN $z = a_1^T x + b_1^T u + f_1$
ELSE $z = a_2^T x + b_2^T u + f_2$



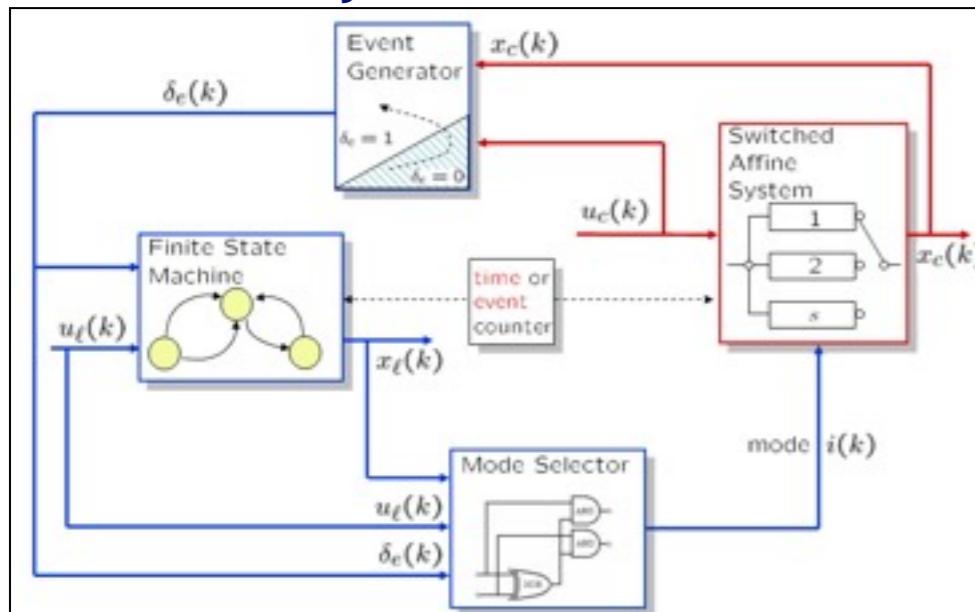
$$\begin{cases} (m_1 - M_2)(1 - \delta) + z \leq a_1 x + b_1 u + f_1 \\ (m_2 - M_1)(1 - \delta) - z \leq -a_1 x - b_1 u - f_1 \\ (m_2 - M_1)\delta + z \leq a_2 x + b_2 u + f_2 \\ (m_1 - M_2)\delta - z \leq -a_2 x - b_2 u - f_2 \end{cases}$$



MIXED LOGICAL DYNAMICAL (MLD) SYSTEMS

(Bemporad, Morari 1999)

Discrete Hybrid Automaton



HYSDEL

(Torrisi, Bemporad, 2004)

convert logic propositions to
mixed-integer linear inequalities

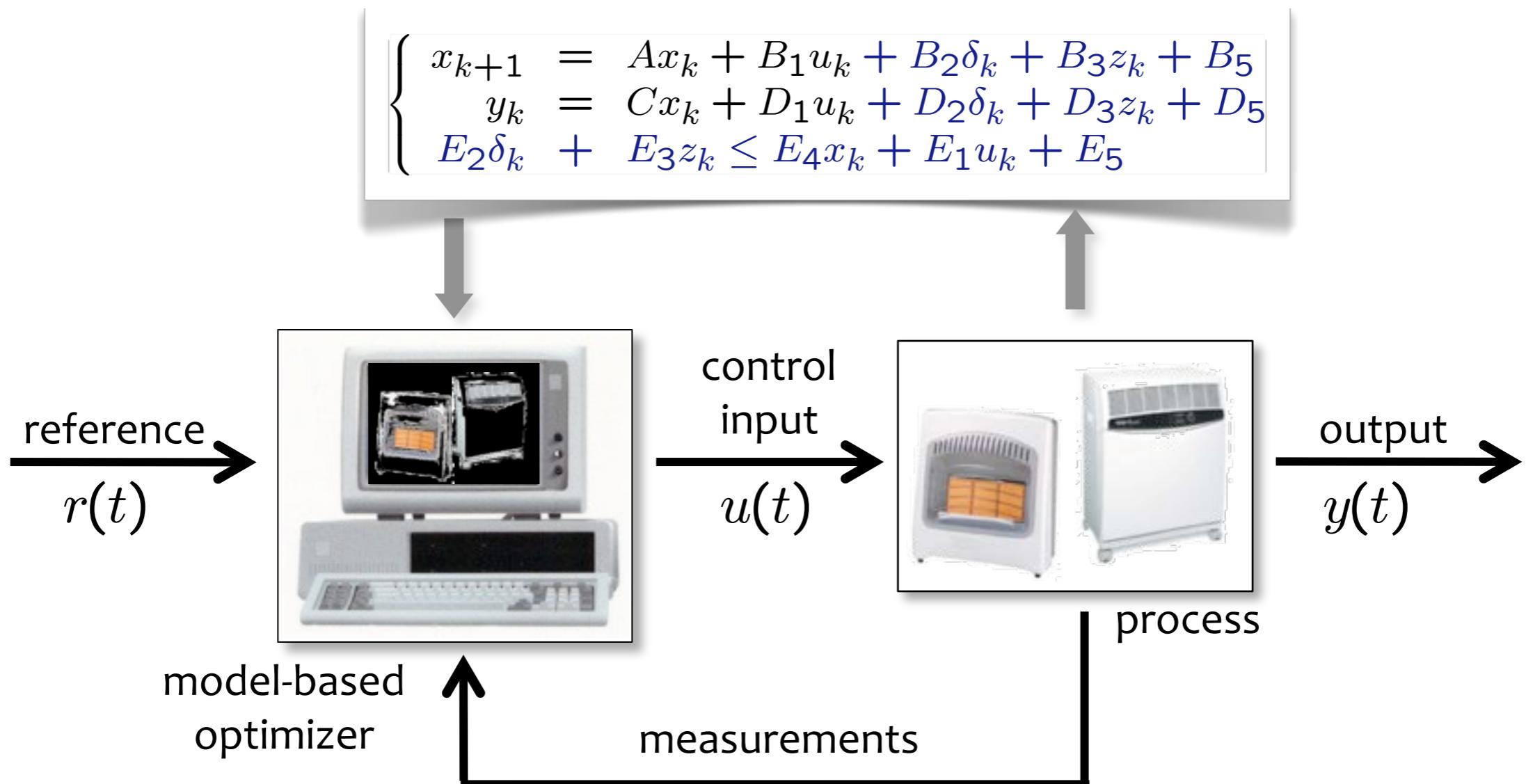
Mixed Logical Dynamical (MLD) systems

$$\begin{cases} x_{k+1} = Ax_k + B_1u_k + B_2\delta_k + B_3z_k + B_5 \\ y_k = Cx_k + D_1u_k + D_2\delta_k + D_3z_k + D_5 \\ E_2\delta_k + E_3z_k \leq E_4x_k + E_1u_k + E_5 \end{cases}$$

Continuous and binary variables $x \in \mathbb{R}^{n_c} \times \{0, 1\}^{n_b}$, $u \in \mathbb{R}^{m_c} \times \{0, 1\}^{m_b}$
 $y \in \mathbb{R}^{p_c} \times \{0, 1\}^{p_b}$, $\delta \in \{0, 1\}^{r_b}$, $z \in \mathbb{R}^{r_c}$

- Computationally oriented model (mixed-integer programming)
- Suitable for MPC control, verification, state estimation, fault detection,

MPC OF HYBRID SYSTEMS



Use a **hybrid dynamical model** of the process to predict its future evolution and choose the “best” **control action**

MIQP FORMULATION OF MPC

(Bemporad, Morari, 1999)

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\xi} \quad & \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} y_k' Q y_k + u_k' R u_k \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \begin{cases} x_{k+1} = A x_k + B_1 u_k + B_2 \delta_k + B_3 z_k + B_5 \\ y_k = C x_k + D_1 u_k + D_2 \delta_k + D_3 z_k + D_5 \\ E_2 \delta_k + E_3 z_k \leq E_4 x_k + E_1 u_k + E_5 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

- Optimization vector: $\xi = [u_0, \dots, u_{N-1}, \delta_0, \dots, \delta_{N-1}, z_0, \dots, z_{N-1}]$



$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\xi} \quad & \frac{1}{2} \xi' H \xi + x'(t) F \xi + \frac{1}{2} x'(t) Y x(t) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & G \xi \leq W + S x(t) \end{aligned}$$

**Mixed Integer
Quadratic Program
(MIQP)**

$$u \in \mathbb{R}^{m_c} \times \{0, 1\}^{m_b}$$

$$\delta \in \{0, 1\}^{r_b}$$

$$z \in \mathbb{R}^{r_c}$$



$$\xi \in \mathbb{R}^{(m_c+r_c)N} \times \{0, 1\}^{(m_b+r_b)N}$$

vector ξ has both **real** and **binary** values

CLOSED-LOOP CONVERGENCE

Theorem Let $(x_r, u_r, \delta_r, z_r)$ be the equilibrium values corresponding to set point r . Assume $x(0)$ is such that the MPC problem is feasible at time $t=0$.

Then $\forall Q, R > 0, \forall \sigma > 0$ the closed-loop hybrid MPC loop **converges asymptotically**

$$\begin{array}{ll} \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y(t) = r & \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = x_r \\ \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u(t) = u_r & \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \delta(t) = \delta_r \\ & \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} z(t) = z_r \end{array}$$

and all constraints are fulfilled at each time $t \geq 0$.

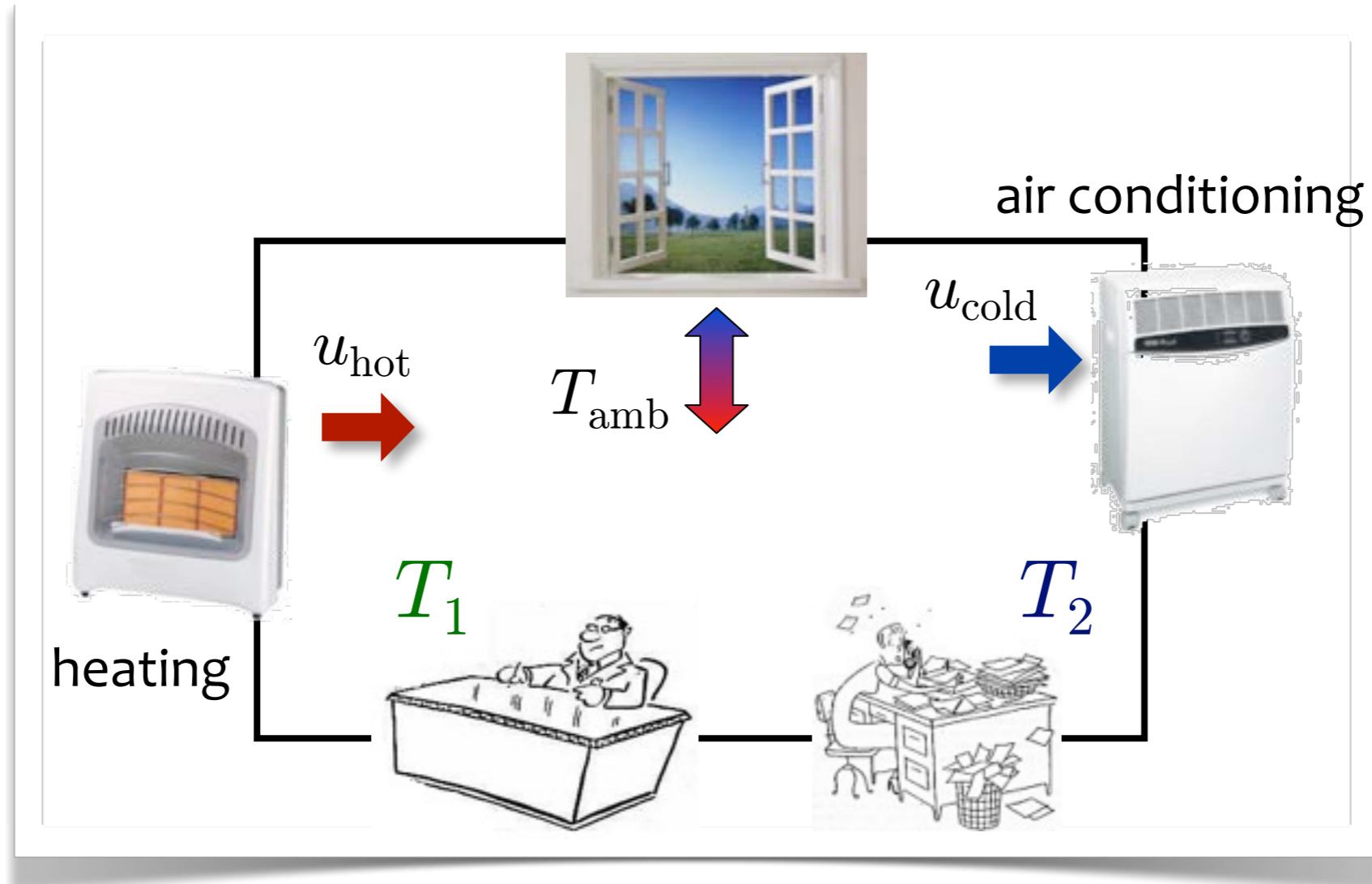
Proof: Easily follows from standard Lyapunov arguments

(Bemporad, Morari 1999)

Lyapunov asymptotic stability and **exponential stability** can be guaranteed by choosing a proper terminal cost and constraint set

(Lazar, Heemels, Weiland, Bemporad, 2006)

EXAMPLE: ROOM TEMPERATURE CONTROL



discrete dynamics

- #1=cold \rightarrow heater=on
- #2=cold \rightarrow heater=on unless #1=hot
- A/C activation has similar rules

continuous dynamics

$$\frac{dT_i}{dt} = -\alpha_i(T_i - T_{\text{amb}}) + k_i(u_{\text{hot}} - u_{\text{cold}}) \quad i = 1, 2$$

Hybrid Toolbox for MATLAB, [/demos/hybrid/heatcool.m](#)

HYSDEL MODEL

```
SYSTEM heatcool {

INTERFACE {
    STATE { REAL T1 [-10,50];
             REAL T2 [-10,50];
         }
    INPUT { REAL Tamb [-10,50];
         }
    PARAMETER {
        REAL Ts, alpha1, alpha2, k1, k2;
        REAL Thot1, Tcold1, Thot2, Tcold2, Uc, Uh;
    }
}

IMPLEMENTATION {
    AUX { REAL uhot, ucold;
          BOOL hot1, hot2, cold1, cold2;
      }
    AD { hot1 = T1>=Thot1;
         hot2 = T2>=Thot2;
         cold1 = T1<=Tcold1;
         cold2 = T2<=Tcold2;
     }
    DA { uhot = {IF cold1 | (cold2 & ~hot1) THEN Uh ELSE 0};
         ucold = {IF hot1 | (hot2 & ~cold1) THEN Uc ELSE 0};
     }
    CONTINUOUS { T1 = T1+Ts*(-alpha1*(T1-Tamb)+k1*(uhot-ucold));
                  T2 = T2+Ts*(-alpha2*(T2-Tamb)+k2*(uhot-ucold));
     }
}
}
```

```
>>S=mld('heatcoolmodel',Ts)
```

get the MLD model in MATLAB

```
>>[XX,TT]=sim(S,x0,U);
```

simulate the MLD model

HYBRID MPC – TEMPERATURE CONTROL

```
>>refs.x=2; % just weight state #2
>>Q.x=1; % unit weight on state #2
>>Q.rho=Inf; % hard constraints
>>Q.norm=Inf; % infinity norms
>>N=2; % prediction horizon
>>limits.xmin=[25;-Inf];
```

```
>>C=hybcon(S,Q,N,limits,refs);
```

```
>> C
```

Hybrid controller based on MLD model S <heatcoolmodel.hys> [Inf-norm]

```
2 state measurement(s)
0 output reference(s)
0 input reference(s)
1 state reference(s)
0 reference(s) on auxiliary continuous z-variables
```

```
20 optimization variable(s) (8 continuous, 12 binary)
46 mixed-integer linear inequalities
sampling time = 0.5, MILP solver = 'glpk'
```

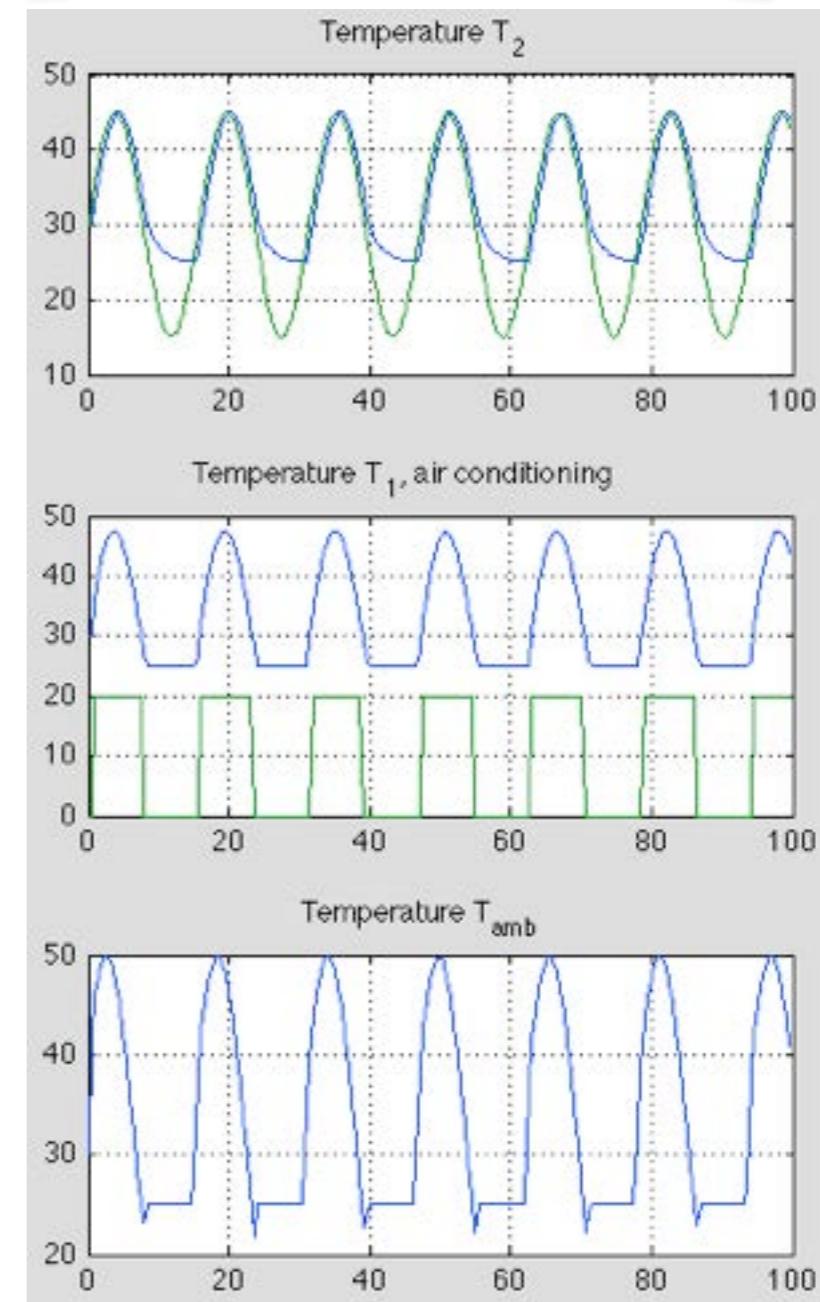
Type "struct(C)" for more details.

```
>>
```

```
>>[XX,UU,DD,ZZ,TT]=sim(C,S,r,x0,Tstop);
```



$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \sum_{k=0}^2 \|x_{2k} - r(t)\|_\infty \\ \text{s.t. } & \begin{cases} x_{1k} \geq 25, \ k = 1, 2 \\ \text{MLD model} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$



MIXED-INTEGER PROGRAM (MIP) SOLVERS

- Mixed-Integer Programming is NP-complete

BUT

- General purpose **branch & bound / branch & cut** solvers available for **MILP** and **MIQP** (CPLEX, GLPK, Xpress-MP, CBC, Gurobi, ...)

More solvers and benchmarks: <http://plato.la.asu.edu/bench.html>

- No need to reach global optimum (see proof of the theorem), although performance deteriorates

BRANCH & BOUND FOR MIQP (USING NNLS SOLVER FOR QP)

(Bemporad, NMPC, 2015)

- Consider a MIQP problem of the form

$$\begin{aligned} \min_z \quad & V(z) \triangleq \frac{1}{2} z' Q z + c' z \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \ell \leq A z \leq u \\ & G z = g \\ & \bar{A}_i z \in \{\bar{\ell}_i, \bar{u}_i\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, q \end{aligned}$$

$$Q = Q' \succ 0$$

- Binary constraints on z are a special case:

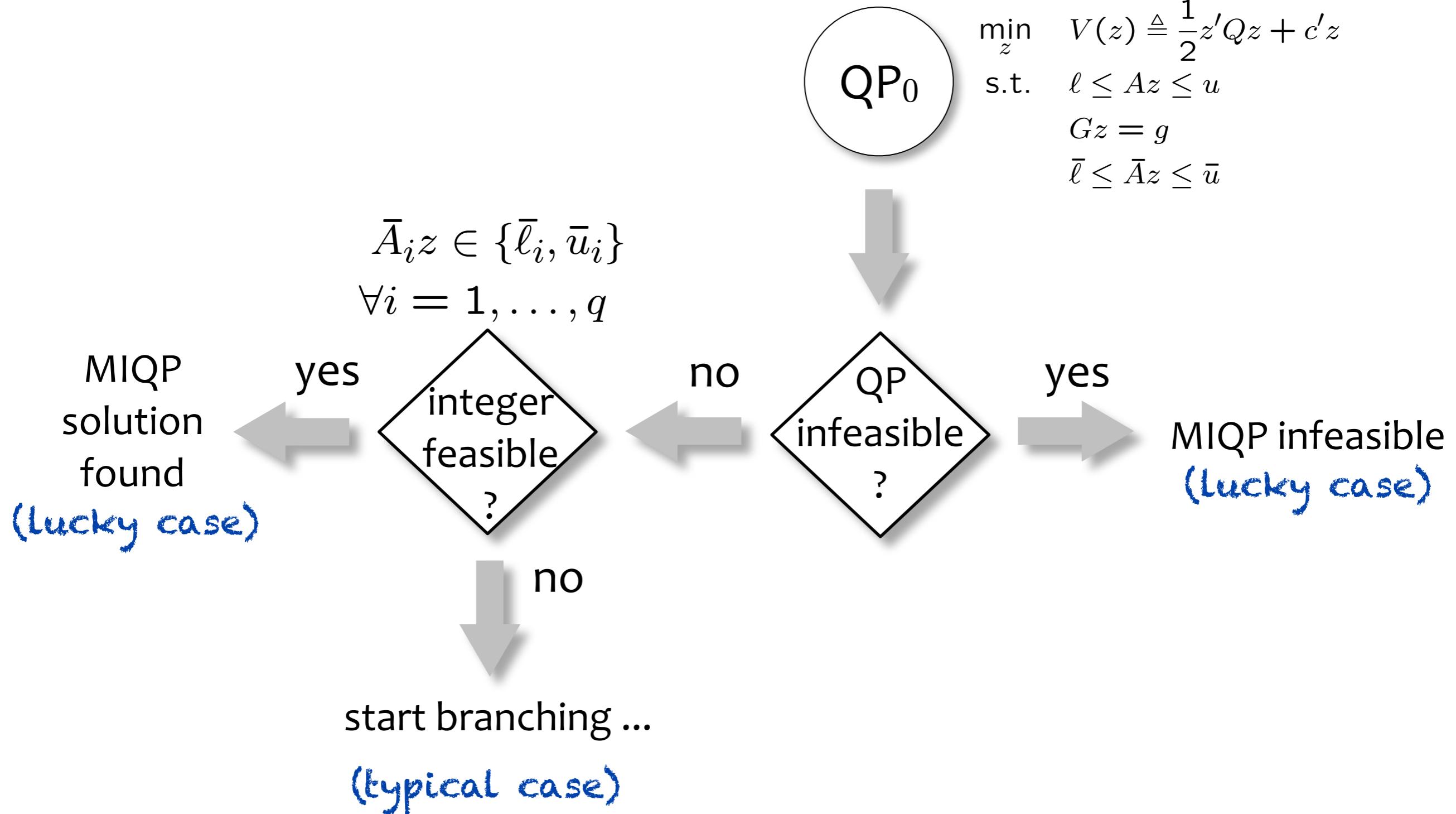
$$\bar{\ell}_i = 0, \bar{u}_i = 1, \bar{A}_i = [0 \dots 0 \ 1 \ 0 \dots 0]$$

- QP algorithm based on NNLS is used to solve MIQP relaxations

$$\bar{\ell}_i \leq \bar{A}_i z \leq \bar{u}_i$$

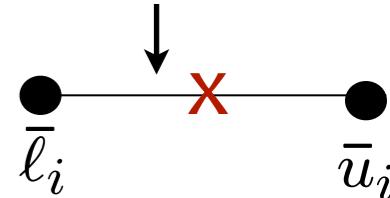
BRANCH & BOUND FOR MIQP (USING NNLS SOLVER FOR QP)

- Branch and bound scheme:



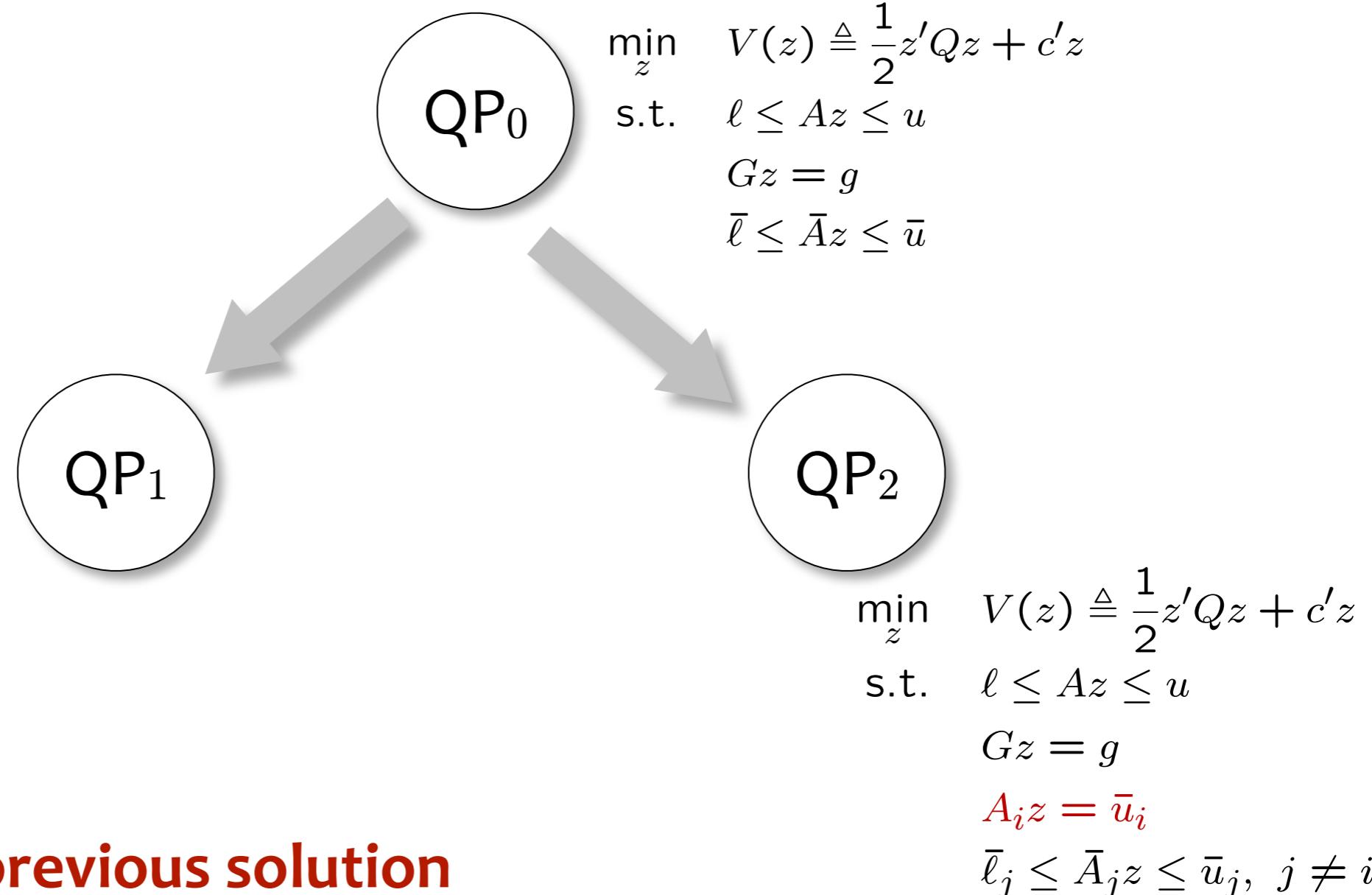
BRANCH & BOUND FOR MIQP (USING NNLS SOLVER FOR QP)

- Branching: pick up index i such that $\bar{A}_i z$ is closest to $\frac{\bar{l}_i + \bar{u}_i}{2}$



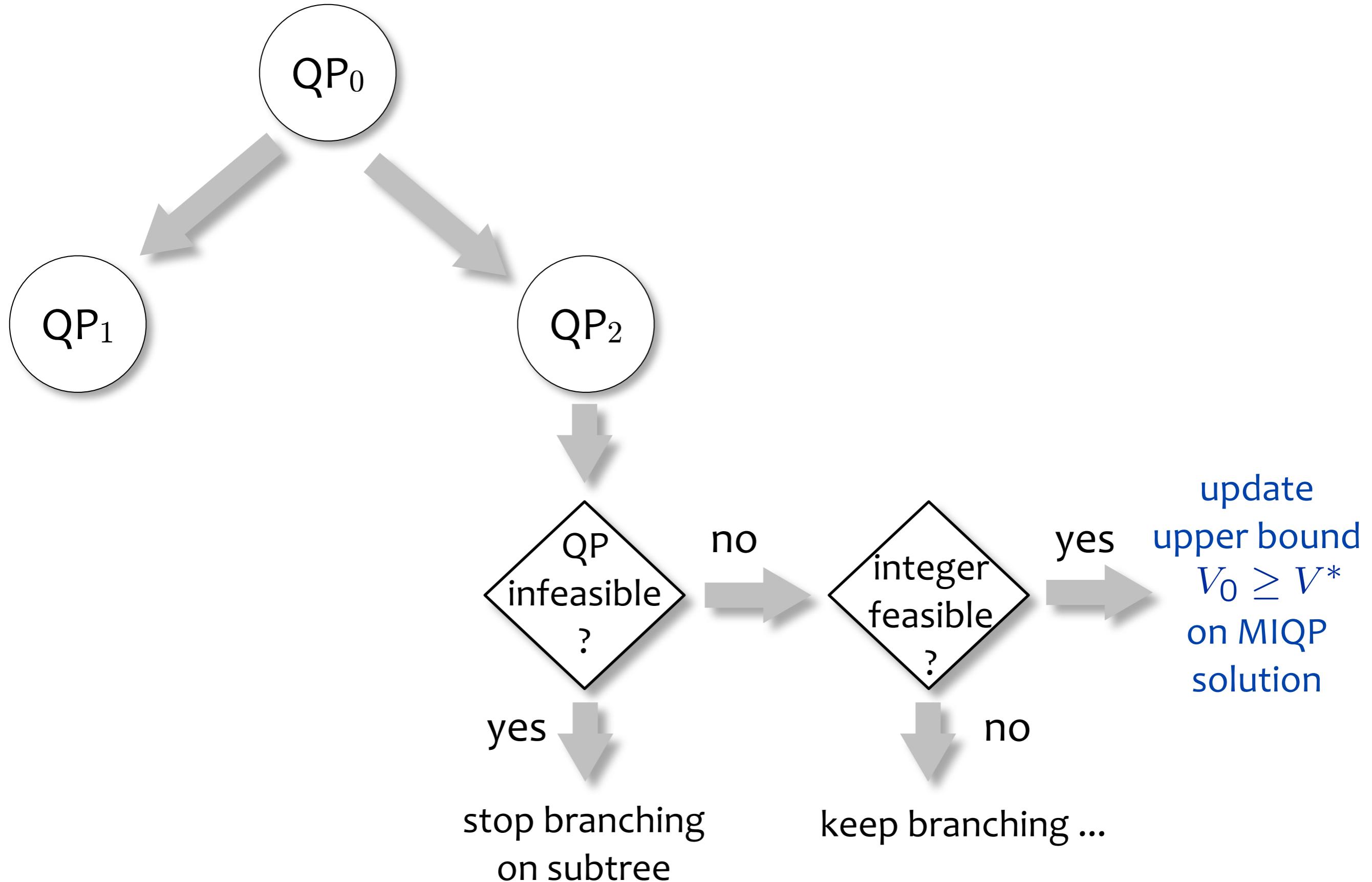
- Solve two new QP problems:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_z \quad & V(z) \triangleq \frac{1}{2} z' Q z + c' z \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \ell \leq A z \leq u \\ & G z = g \\ & \bar{A}_i z = \bar{l}_i \\ & \bar{l}_j \leq \bar{A}_j z \leq \bar{u}_j, \quad j \neq i \end{aligned}$$



**Warm start from previous solution
of QP₀ helps solving QP₁, QP₂**

BRANCH & BOUND FOR MIQP (USING NNLS SOLVER FOR QP)



MIQP VIA NNLS: NUMERICAL RESULTS

(Bemporad, NMPC 2015)

- Worst-case CPU time on random MIQP problems:

n	m	q	NNLS _{LDL}	NNLS _{QR}	GUROBI	CPLEX
10	5	2	2.3	1.2	1.4	8.0
10	100	2	5.7	3.3	6.1	31.4
50	25	5	4.2	6.1	14.1	30.1
50	200	10	68.8	104.4	114.6	294.1
100	50	2	4.6	10.2	37.2	69.2
100	200	15	137.5	365.7	259.8	547.8
150	100	5	15.6	49.2	157.2	260.1
150	300	20	1174.4	3970.4	1296.1	2123.9

n = # variables, m = # inequality constraints, no equalities, q = # binary constraints

QP algorithm in compiled Embedded MATLAB code, B&B in interpreted MATLAB code.
CPU time measured on this Mac

NNLS_{LDL} = **recursive LDL factorization** used to solve least-square problems in QP solver

NNLS_{QR} = **recursive QR factorization** used instead (numerically more robust)

FAST GRADIENT PROJECTION FOR MIQP

(Naik, Bemporad, 2016)

- MIQP problem

$$\min_z \quad V(z) \triangleq \frac{1}{2} z' Q z + c' z$$

$$\text{s.t. } \ell \leq A z \leq u$$

$$A_{eq} z = b_{eq}$$

special case:

binary constraints $z_i \in \{0,1\}$  $\bar{A}_i z \in \{\bar{l}_i, \bar{u}_i\}, i = 1, \dots, p$

- Use branch & bound, relax binary constraints to $\bar{l}_i \leq \bar{A}_i z \leq \bar{u}_i$
- Only projection changes from one QP relaxation to another:

constraint is relaxed $\bar{A}_i z \leq \bar{u}_i \rightarrow y_{k+1}^i = \max \{y_k^i + s_k^i, 0\}$ $y_i \geq 0$

constraint is fixed $\bar{A}_i z = \bar{u}_i \rightarrow y_{k+1}^i = y_k^i + s_k^i$ $y_i \geq 0$

constraint is ignored $\bar{A}_i z = \bar{l}_i \rightarrow y_i^{k+1} = 0$ $y_i = 0$

FAST GRADIENT PROJECTION FOR MIQP

(Naik, Bemporad, 2016)

- Same dual QP matrices, preconditioning only computed at root node
- Warm-start exploited, dual cost used to stop QP relaxations earlier
- Criterion based on Farkas lemma to detect QP infeasibility
- Numerical results (time in ms):

n	m	p	q	miqpGPAD	GUROBI
10	100	2	2	15.6	6.56
50	25	5	3	3.44	8.74
50	150	10	5	63.22	46.25
100	50	2	5	6.22	26.24
100	200	15	5	164.06	188.42
150	100	5	5	31.26	88.13
150	200	20	5	258.80	274.06
200	50	15	6	35.08	144.38

HEURISTIC ADMM METHOD FOR (SUBOPTIMAL) MIQP

(Takapoui, Moehle, Boyd, Bemporad, ACC'16)

- MIQP problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \frac{1}{2}x'Qx + q'x \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \ell \leq Ax \leq u \\ & A_i x \in \{\ell_i, u_i\}, \quad i \in I \end{aligned}$$

- ADMM iterations:

quantization

$$\begin{aligned} x^{k+1} &= -(Q + \rho A^T A)^{-1}(\rho A^T(y^k - z^k) + q) \\ z^{k+1} &= \min\{\max\{Ax^{k+1} + y^k, \ell\}, u\} \\ z_i^{k+1} &= \begin{cases} \ell_i & \text{if } z_i^{k+1} < \frac{\ell_i + u_i}{2} \\ u_i & \text{if } z_i^{k+1} \geq \frac{\ell_i + u_i}{2}, \quad i \in I \end{cases} \\ y^{k+1} &= y^k + Ax^{k+1} - z^{k+1} \end{aligned}$$

- Iterations converge to a (local) solution

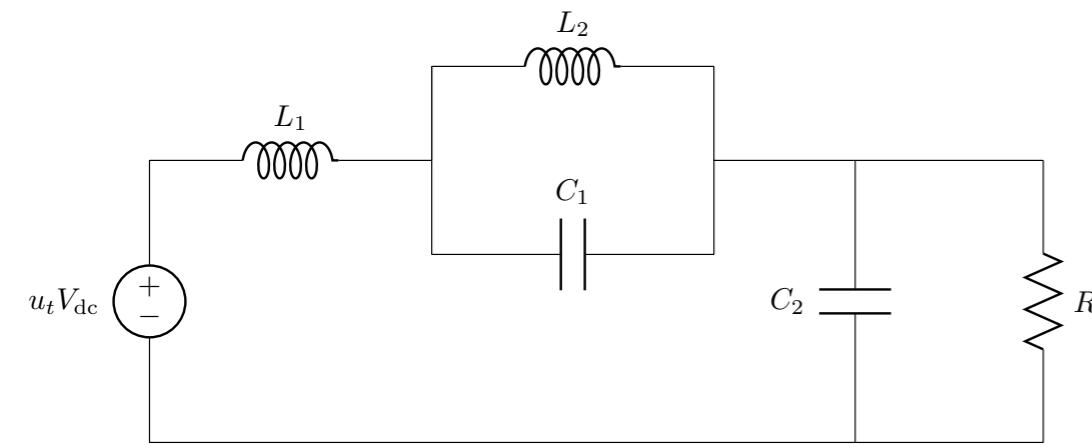
- Similar idea also applicable to fast gradient methods

(Naik, Bemporad, 2016)

ADMM METHOD FOR (SUBOPTIMAL) MIQP

- Example: power converter control

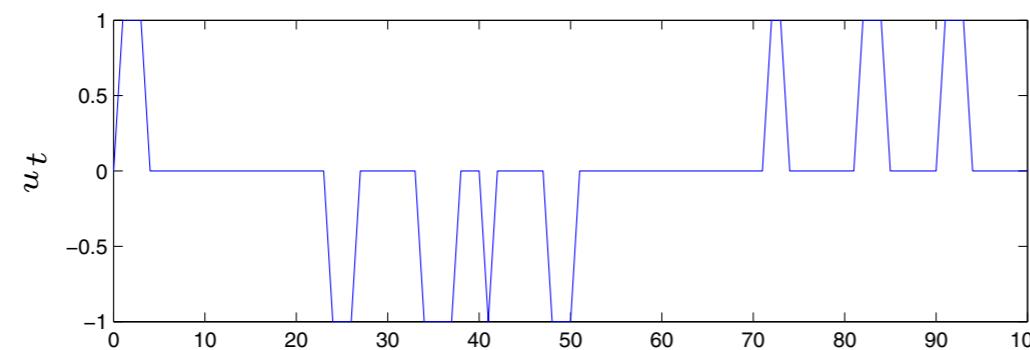
(Takapoui, Moehle, Boyd, Bemporad, ACC'16)



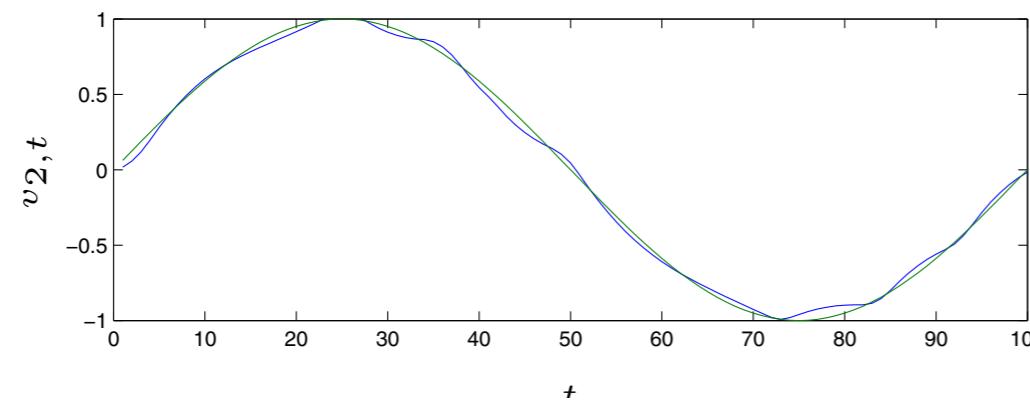
minimize
subject to

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{t=0}^T (v_{2,t} - v_{\text{des}})^2 + \lambda |u_t - u_{t-1}| \\ & \xi_{t+1} = G\xi_t + H u_t \\ & \xi_0 = \xi_T \\ & u_0 = u_T \\ & u_t \in \{-1, 0, 1\}, \end{aligned}$$

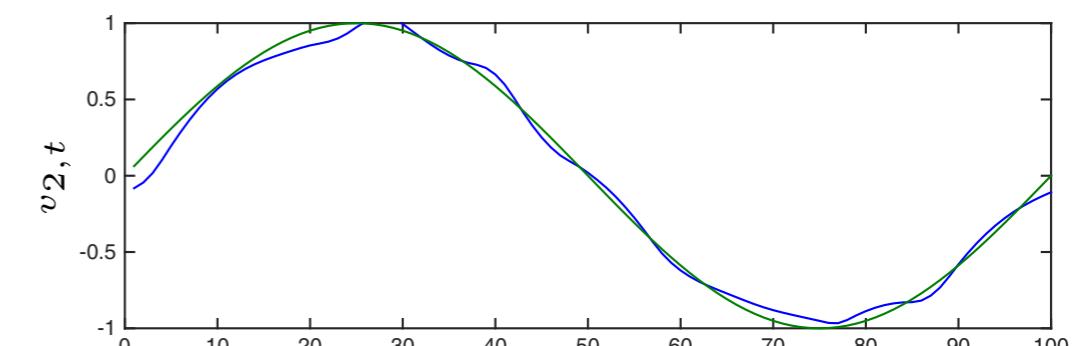
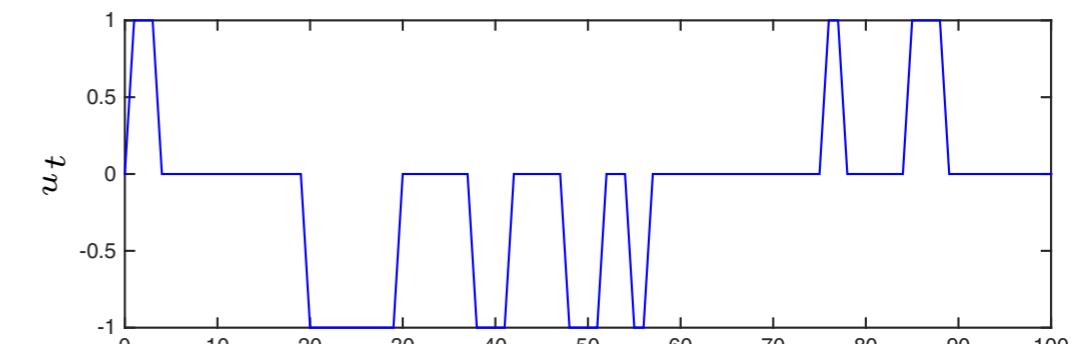
input voltage
sign u_t



output voltage
 $v_{2,t}$



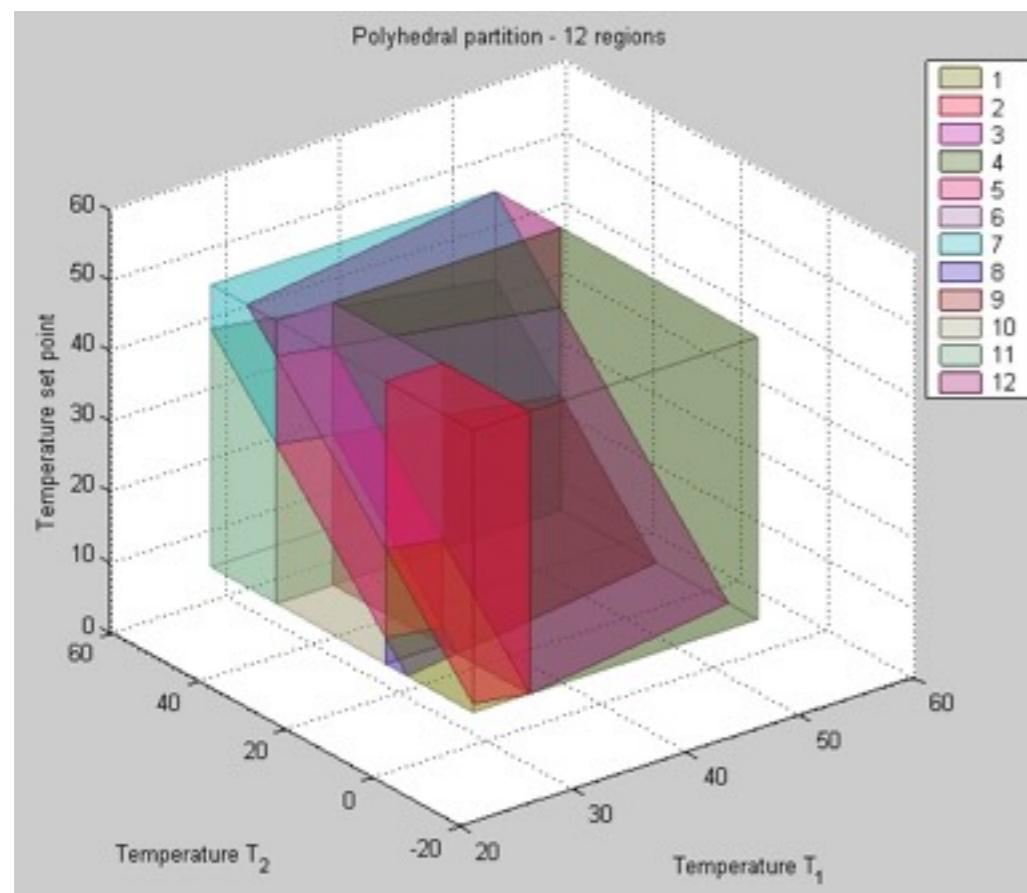
optimal solution



ADMM solution

EXPLICIT HYBRID MPC

- It is possible to write hybrid MPC laws in explicit form too !
- The explicit MPC law is still piecewise affine on polyhedra
- The control law may be discontinuous, polyhedra may overlap



(Bemporad, Borrelli, Morari, 2000)

(Mayne, ECC 2001)

(Mayne, Rakovic, 2002)

(Bemporad, Hybrid Toolbox, 2003)

(Borrelli, Baotic, Bemporad, Morari, Automatica, 2005)

(Alessio, Bemporad, ADHS 2006)

EXPLICIT MPC – TEMPERATURE CONTROL

```
>> E=expcon(C, range, options);
```

```
>> E
```

Explicit controller (based on hybrid controller C)
 3 parameter(s)
 1 input(s)
 12 partition(s)
 sampling time = 0.5

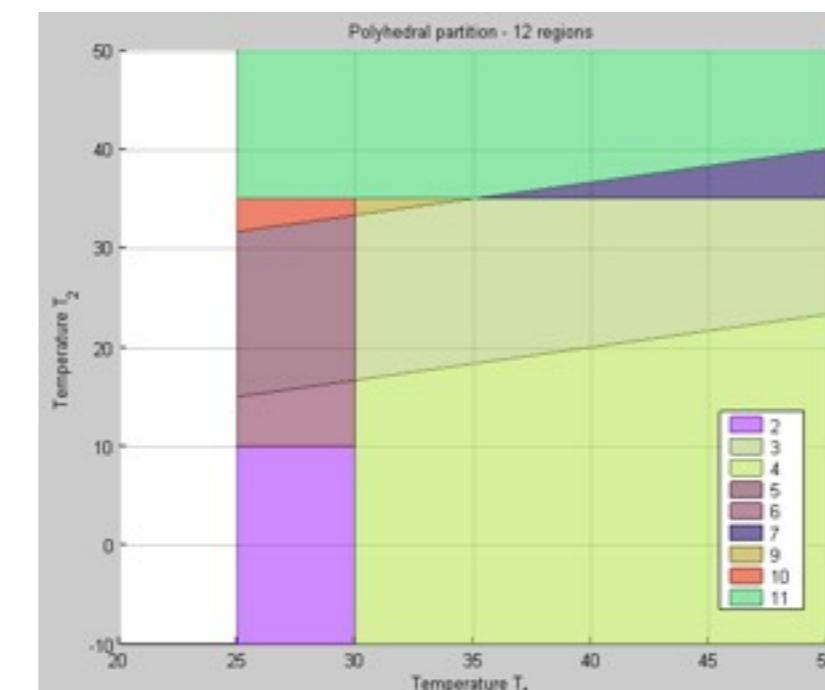
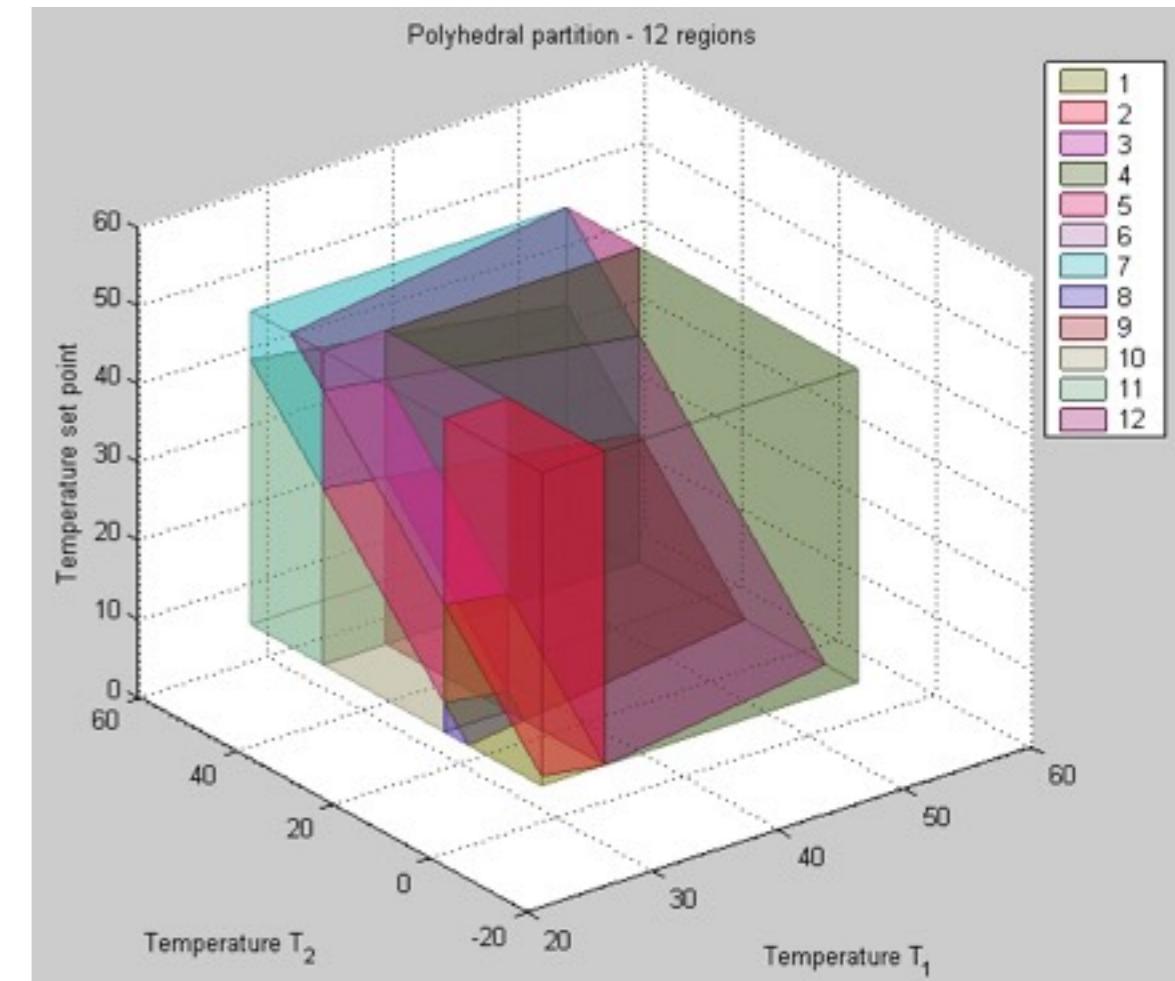
The controller is for hybrid systems (tracking)
 This is a state-feedback controller.

Type "struct(E)" for more details.

```
>>
```

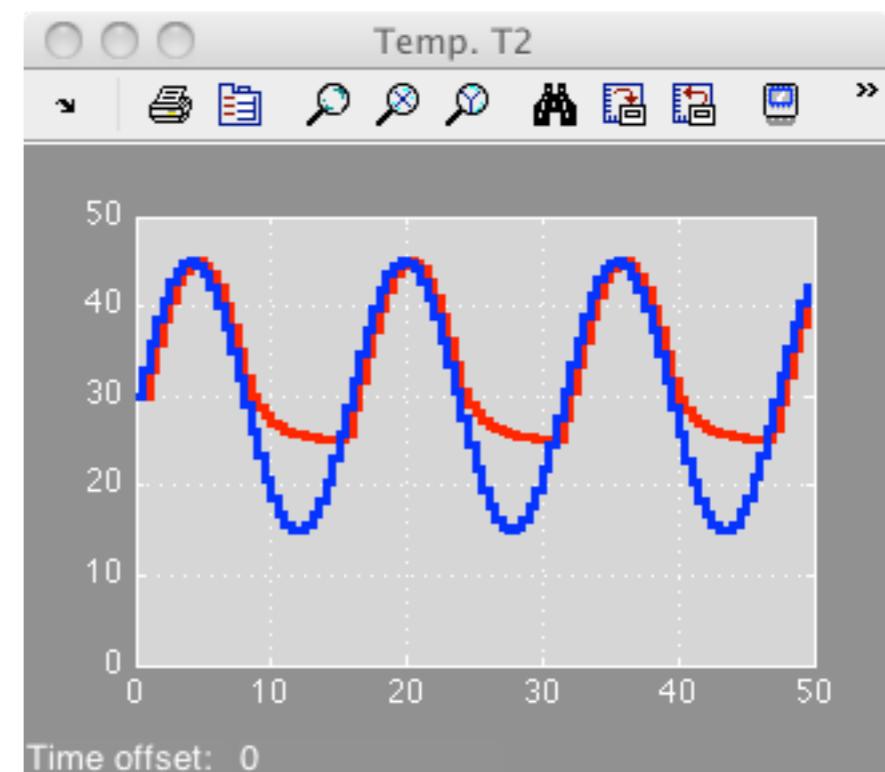
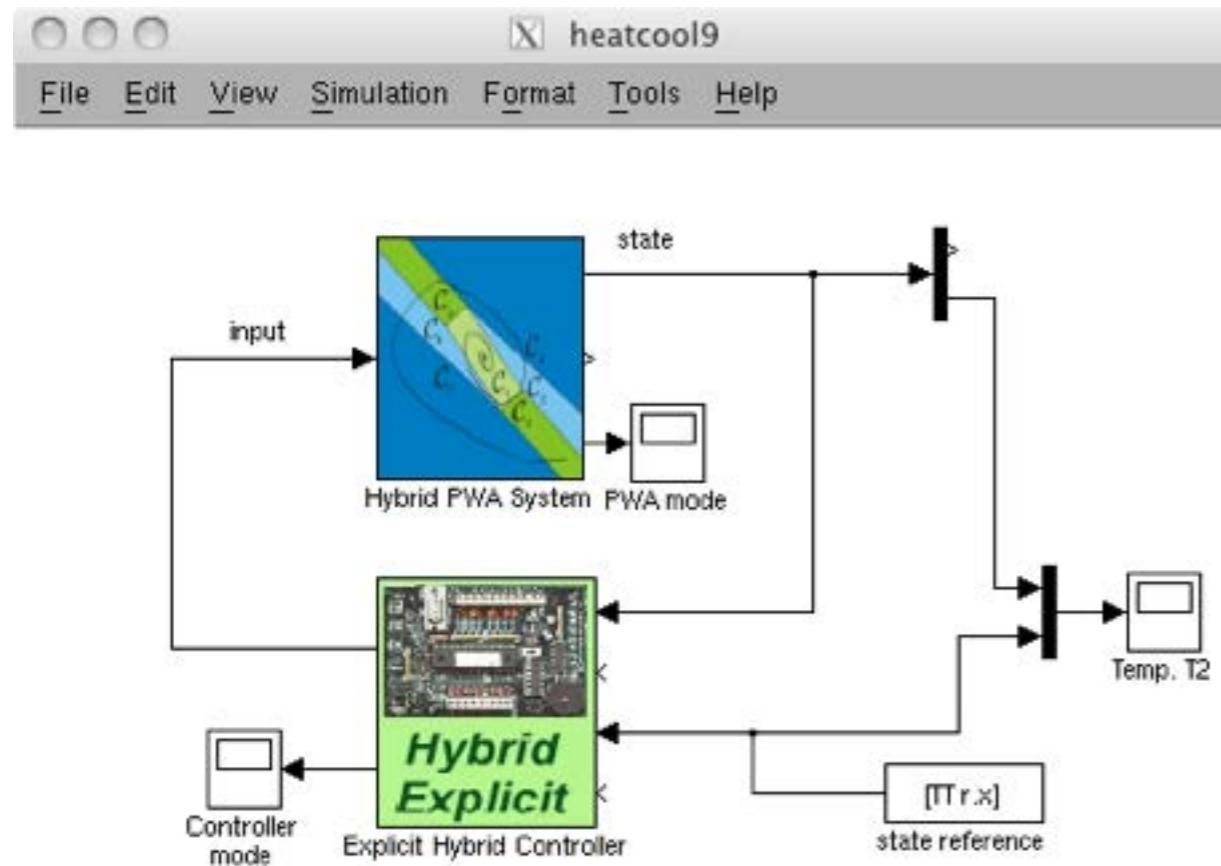
**384 numbers to store
in memory**

$$\begin{aligned} \min & \sum_{k=0}^2 \|x_{2k} - r(t)\|_\infty \\ \text{s.t. } & \begin{cases} x_{1k} \geq 25, \quad k = 1, 2 \\ \text{hybrid model} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$



Section in the (T_1, T_2) -space
for $T_{\text{ref}} = 30$

EXPLICIT MPC – TEMPERATURE CONTROL



generated
C-code

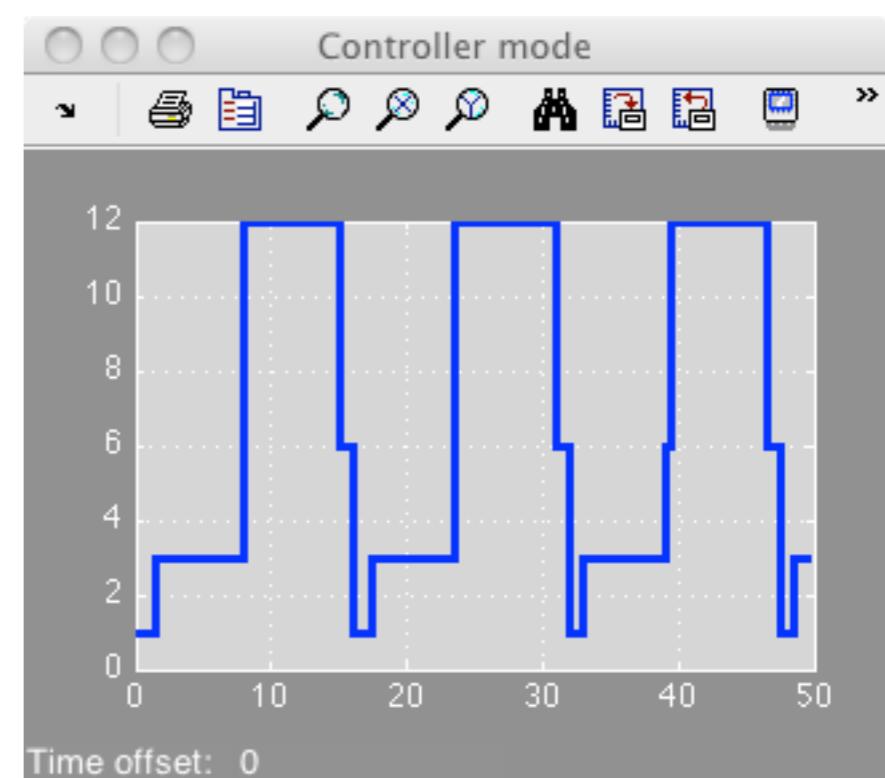


utils/expcon.h

```
#define EXPCON_REG 12
#define EXPCON_NTH 3
#define EXPCON_NYM 2
#define EXPCON_NH 72
#define EXPCON_NF 12
static double EXPCON_F[] = {
    -1,0,0,0,-1,0,
    -1,-1,-1,-1,-1,0,-3,-3,
    -3,0,-3,0,0,0,0,0,
    0,0,4,4,4,0,4,0,0,
    0,0,0,0};

static double EXPCON_G[] = {
    101.6,1.6,1.6,-1.6,98.4,0.001,0,100,51.6,
    101.6,51.6,48.4,50};

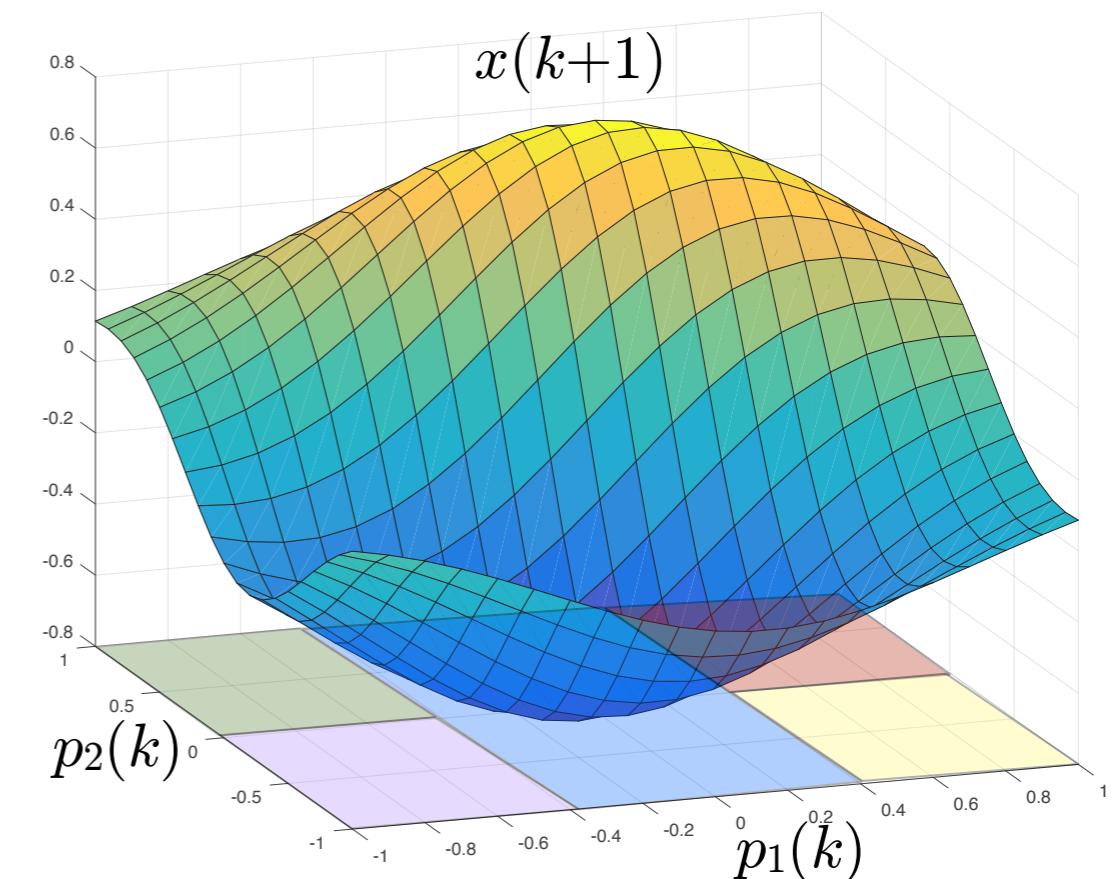
static double EXPCON_H[] = {
    0,0,0,-0.00999999,0,-0.0333333,
    0.02,0.00999999,-0.02,0,0,-0.0333333,0.02,0.00999999,
    0,0,-0.02,0.02,0,-1,0.00999999,0,
```



HYBRID SYSTEMS IDENTIFICATION

- Model Predictive Control requires a model of the process.
- Models are usually obtained from **data** via systems identification (*offline* and/or *online*)
- Models may depend on parameters (e.g., ambient conditions)

In industrial MPC applications, most of the effort is spent in **identifying (multiple) linear prediction models** from data



HYBRID SYSTEMS IDENTIFICATION

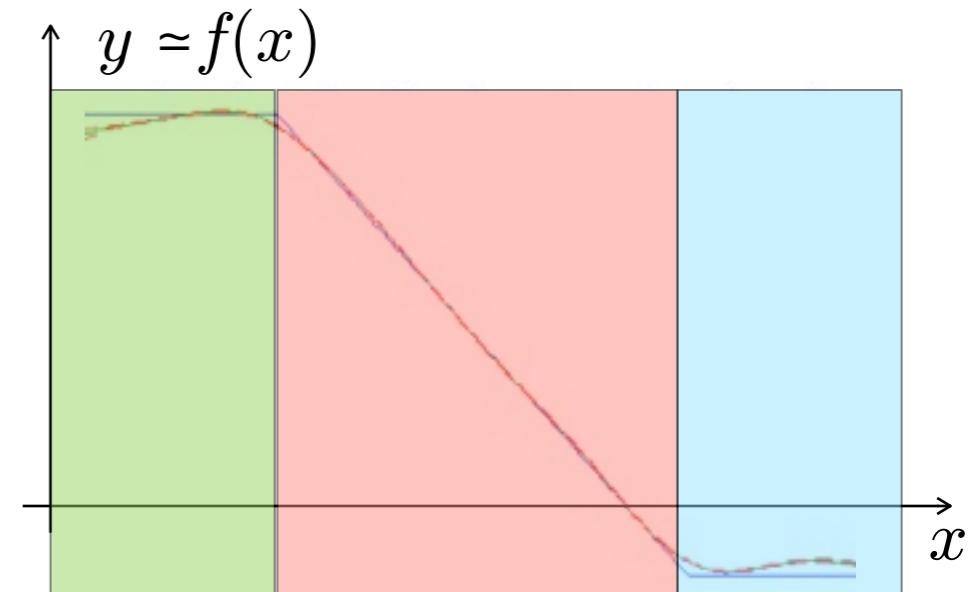
- **Problem:** given input/output pairs $\{x(k), y(k)\}$, $k=1, \dots, N$ and number s of models, compute an approximation $y \approx f(x)$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} F_1 x + g_1 & \text{if } H_1 x \leq K_1 \\ \vdots \\ F_s x + g_s & \text{if } H_s x \leq K_s \end{cases}$$

**PWA model
(PieceWise Affine)**

- Need to learn **both** the parameters (F_i, g_i) of the affine submodels **and** the partition (H_i, K_i) of the PWA map from data (off-line learning)

- Possibly need to update model and partition as new data are collected (on-line learning)



APPROACHES TO PWA IDENTIFICATION

- Mixed-integer linear or quadratic programming (Roll, Bemporad, Ljung, 2004)
- Partition of infeasible set of inequalities (Bemporad, Garulli, Paoletti, Vicino, 2005)
- K-means clustering in a feature space (Ferrari-Trecate, Muselli, Liberati, Morari, 2003)
- Bayesian approach (Juloski, Wieland, Heemels, 2004)
- Kernel-based approaches (Pillonetto, 2016)
- Hyperplane clustering in data space (Münz, Krebs, 2002)
- Recursive multiple least squares & PWL separation (Breschi, Piga, Bemporad, 2016)

PWA REGRESSION ALGORITHM

(Breschi, Piga, Bemporad, 2016)

1. **Estimate** the parameter matrices (F_i, g_i) **recursively**, by only updating one model $F_{i(k)}, g_{i(k)}$ at the time such that

$$i(k) \leftarrow \arg \min_{i=1, \dots, s} e_i(k)' \Lambda_e^{-1} e_i(k) + (x(k) - c_i)' R_i^{-1} (x(k) - c_i)$$

one-step prediction error
of model #i

proximity to centroid
of cluster #i

recursive least squares based on inverse QR decomposition

(Alexander, Ghirnikar, 1993)

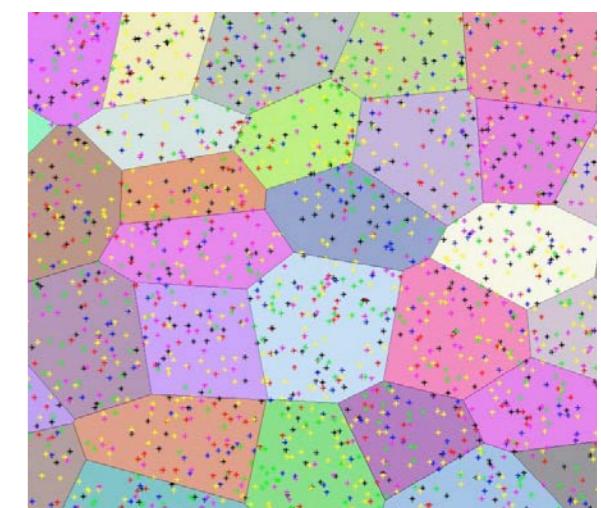
This also splits the data points $x(k)$ in **clusters** $C_i = \{x(k) : i(k) = i\}$

2. Compute a **polyhedral partition** (H_i, K_i) of the regressor space via multi-category linear separation

$$\phi(x) = \max_{i=1, \dots, s} \{w_i' x - \gamma_i\}$$

- Robust linear programming
- Piecewise-smooth Newton method
- Averaged stochastic gradient descent

(Bennet, Mangasarian, 1994)



PWA REGRESSION EXAMPLES

(Breschi, Piga, Bemporad, 2016)

- Identification of piecewise-affine LPV-ARX model

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} y_1(k) \\ y_2(k) \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} -0.83 & 0.20 \\ 0.30 & -0.52 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1(k-1) \\ y_2(k-1) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -0.34 & 0.45 \\ -0.30 & 0.24 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1(k-1) \\ u_2(k-1) \end{bmatrix} \\ &+ \begin{bmatrix} 0.20 \\ 0.15 \end{bmatrix} + \text{max} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0.20 & -0.90 \\ 0.10 & -0.42 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1(k-1) \\ y_2(k-1) \end{bmatrix} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \begin{bmatrix} 0.42 & 0.20 \\ 0.50 & 0.64 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1(k-1) \\ u_2(k-1) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0.40 \\ 0.30 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} + e_o(k), \end{aligned}$$

Results:

quality of fit

		$N = 4000$	$N = 20000$	$N = 100000$
BFR ₁	(Off-line) RLP [8]	96.0 %	96.5 %	99.0 %
	(Off-line) RPSN	96.2 %	96.4 %	98.9 %
	(On-line) ASGD	86.7 %	95.0 %	96.7 %
BFR ₂	(Off-line) RLP [8]	96.2 %	96.9 %	99.0 %
	(Off-line) RPSN	96.3 %	96.8 %	99.0 %
	(On-line) ASGD	87.4 %	95.2 %	96.4 %

RLP = robust linear programming
RPSN = piecewise-smooth Newton
ASGD = (one-pass) averaged stochastic gradient

$$\text{BFR}_i = \max \left\{ 1 - \frac{\|y_{o,i} - \hat{y}_i\|_2}{\|y_{o,i} - \bar{y}_{o,i}\|_2}, 0 \right\}$$

(Best Fit Rate)

CPU time for computing the partition

	$N = 4000$	$N = 20000$	$N = 100000$
(Off-line) RLP [8]	0.308 s	3.227 s	112.435 s
(Off-line) RPSN	0.016 s	0.086 s	0.365 s
(On-line) ASGD	0.013 s	0.023 s	0.067 s

PWA REGRESSION EXAMPLES

(Breschi, Piga, Bemporad, 2016)

- Identification of piecewise-linear LPV-ARX model

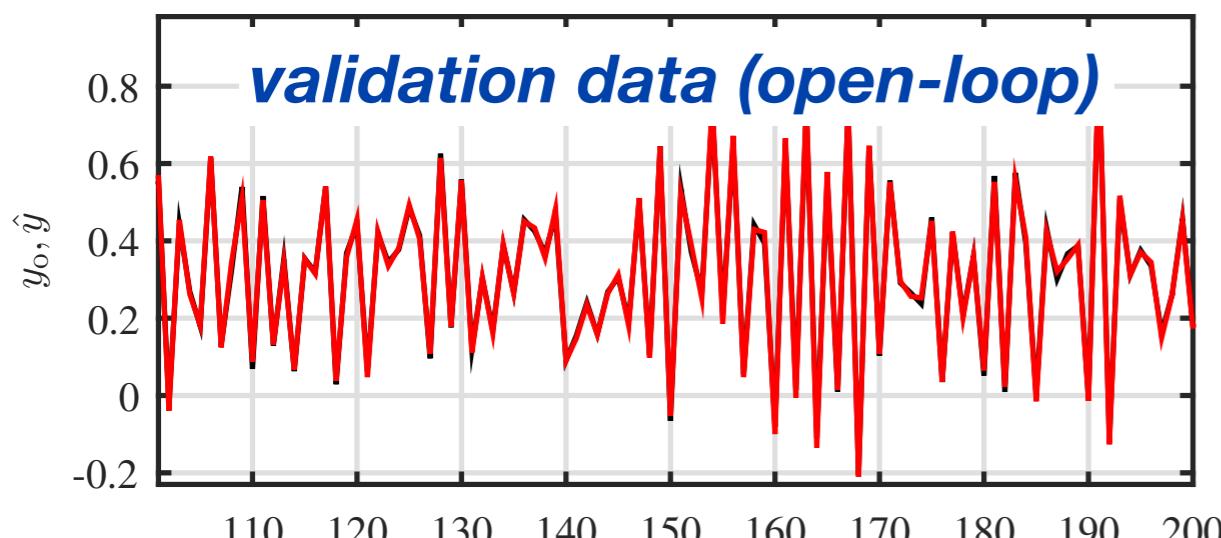
$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1(k) \\ y_2(k) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{a}_{1,1}(p(k)) & \bar{a}_{1,2}(p(k)) \\ \bar{a}_{2,1}(p(k)) & \bar{a}_{2,2}(p(k)) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1(k-1) \\ y_2(k-1) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \bar{b}_{1,1}(p(k)) & \bar{b}_{1,2}(p(k)) \\ \bar{b}_{2,1}(p(k)) & \bar{b}_{2,2}(p(k)) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1(k-1) \\ u_2(k-1) \end{bmatrix} + e_o(k)$$

Results:

quality of fit

	BFR ₁	BFR ₂
PWA regression	87 %	84 %
parametric LPV [3]	80 %	70 %

[3] = Bamieh, Giarré (2002)



$$\bar{a}_{1,1}(p(k)) = \begin{cases} -0.3 & \text{if } 0.4(p_1(k) + p_2(k)) \leq -0.3, \\ 0.3 & \text{if } 0.4(p_1(k) + p_2(k)) \geq 0.3, \\ 0.4(p_1(k) + p_2(k)) & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

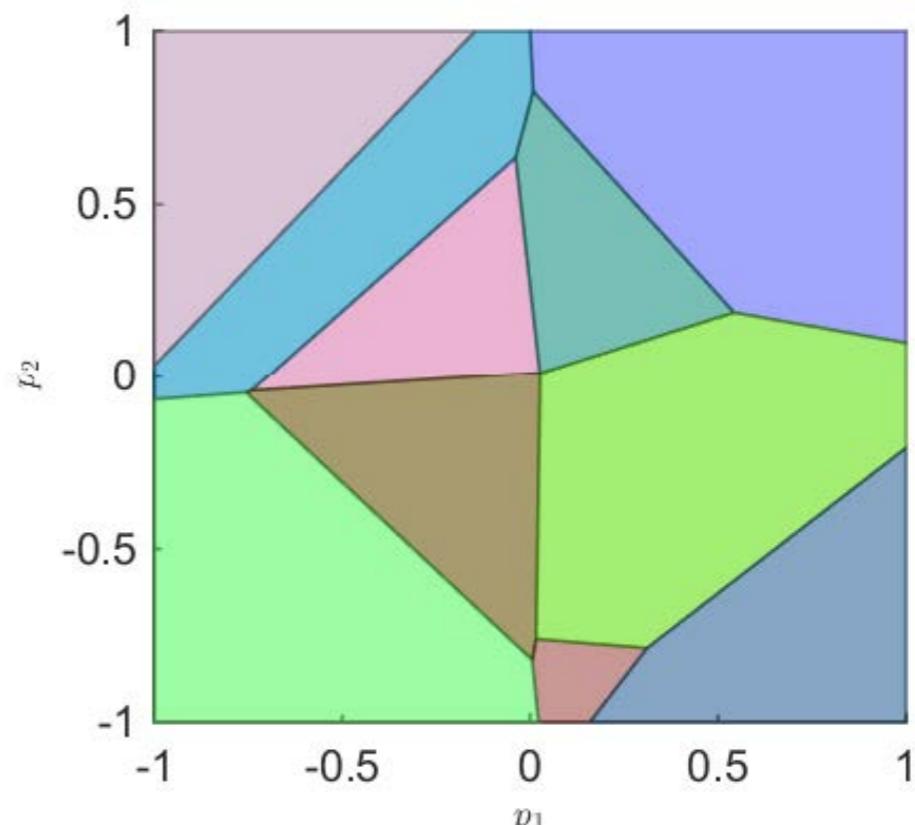
$$\bar{a}_{1,2}(p(k)) = 0.5(|p_1(k)| + |p_2(k)|), \quad \bar{a}_{2,1}(p(k)) = p_1(k) - p_2(k)$$

$$\bar{a}_{2,2}(p(k)) = \begin{cases} 0.5 & \text{if } p_1(k) < 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } p_1(k) = 0, \\ -0.5 & \text{if } p_1(k) > 0, \end{cases}$$

$$\bar{b}_{1,1}(p(k)) = 3p_1(k) + p_2(k),$$

$$\bar{b}_{1,2}(p(k)) = \begin{cases} 0.5 & \text{if } 2(p_1^2(k) + p_2^2(k)) \geq 0.5, \\ 2(p_1^2(k) + p_2^2(k)) & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

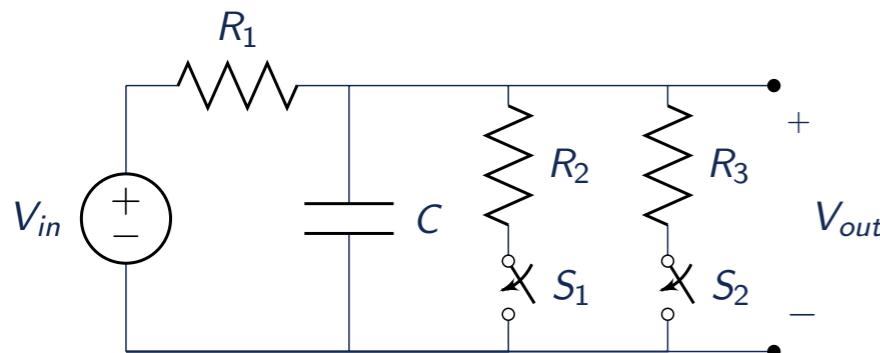
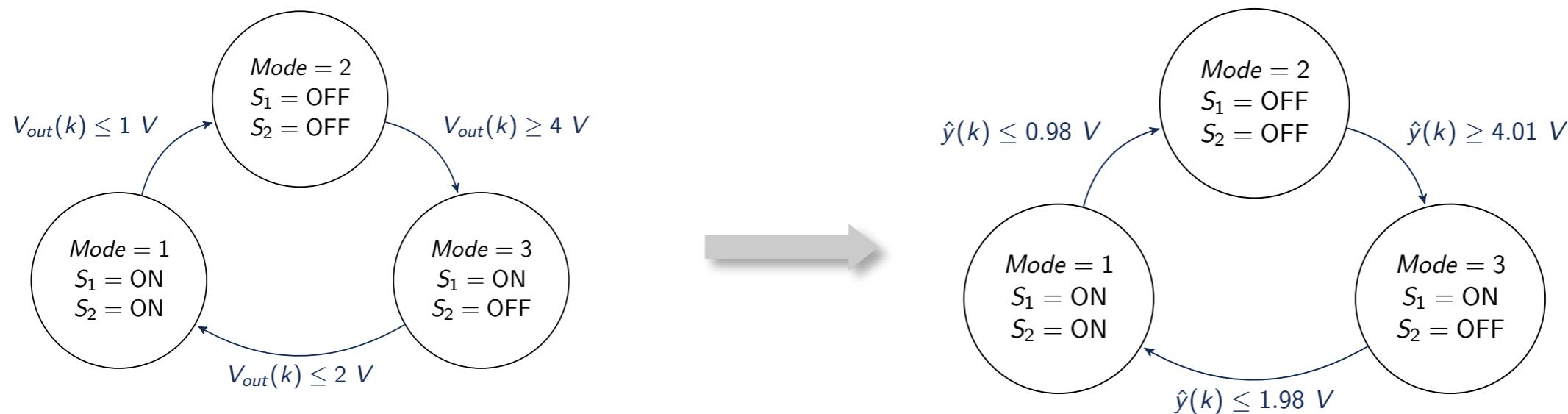
$$\bar{b}_{2,1}(p(k)) = 2 \sin\{p_1(k) - p_2(k)\}, \quad \bar{b}_{2,2}(p(k)) = 0.$$



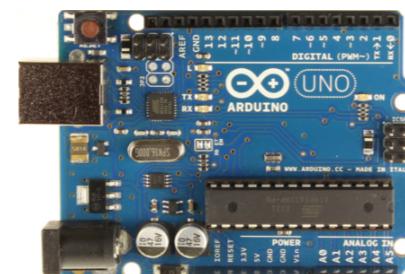
IDENTIFICATION OF HYBRID SYSTEMS WITH LOGIC STATES

(Breschi, Piga, Bemporad, CDC 2016)

- Identification of hybrid models from data

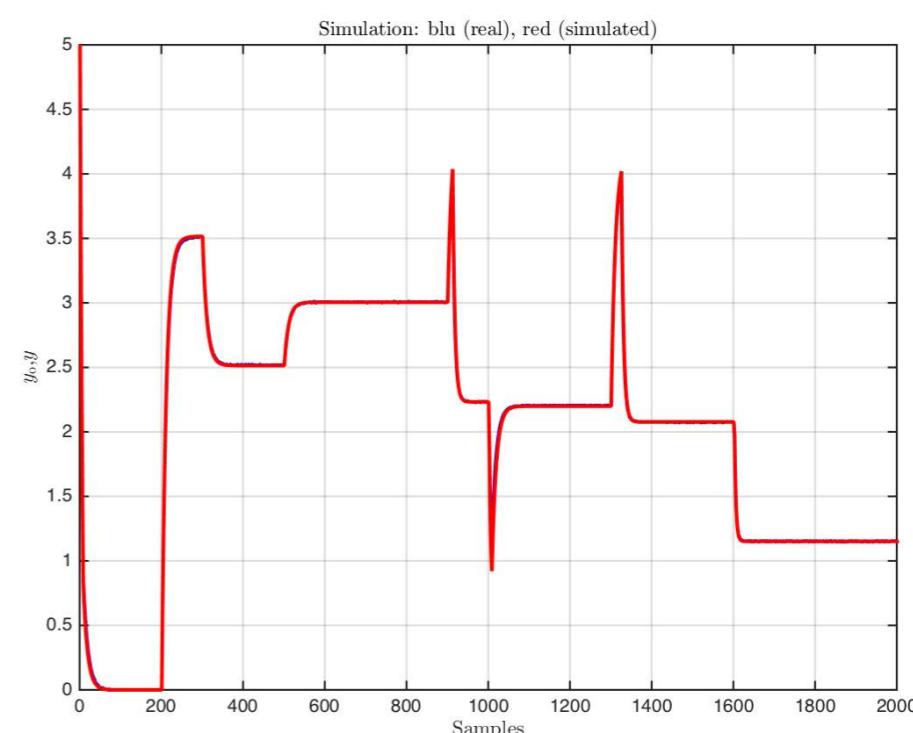


true system



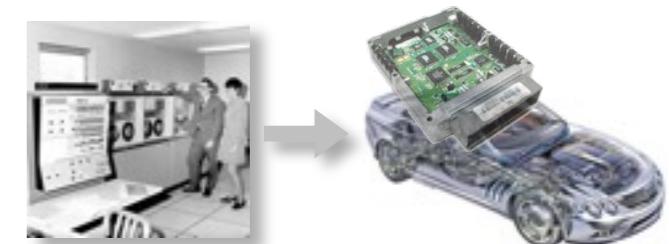
Validation set of $N_V = 2000$ samples:
BFR = 98.64 %

CPU time to compute the partitions: **0.033 s**
CPU required to identify the DHA: **0.078 s***



CONCLUSIONS

- MPC is a **very versatile** technique to provide “intelligence” to a large class of cyber-physical systems
- MPC can easily handle **multiple** inputs and outputs, **hybrid** model abstractions, **constraints** on variables for safety, **optimal** performance
- Routinely used in the *process industries* from the 80’s.
Increasingly used in automotive, aerospace, energy, ...
- A library of **solvers tailored to embedded MPC** applications is available that are very **simple to code, fast**, amenable for **low-precision arithmetic**, and with **proved bounds** on real-time execution



Several control problems in real-world cyber-physical systems can be (and many are) well solved by MPC !

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