

MPC Cheat Sheet - 2020Fall - Yujie He
Mat.Derivation: vec \mathbf{a} ; mat \mathbf{A} ; taking derivative of \mathbf{x} 1) mat & vec product: $\nabla \mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{A}$; 2) inner product: $\nabla(\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{a}$; 3) $\nabla \|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 = \nabla(\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}) = 2\mathbf{x}$;
 $\nabla \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{Ax} = (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}^T)\mathbf{x}$ (symmetry: $\nabla \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{Ax} = 2\mathbf{Ax}$)

$$G(s) = \frac{w^2}{s^2 + 2\zeta ws + w^2} \rightarrow \dot{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -2\zeta\omega & -\omega^2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x$$

Distabce $\sqrt[p]{d^p}$: $p = 0$ -number of > 0 ; $p = 1$: sum of axes ; $p = 2$ -Euclidean; $p = \infty$ -max value (convex $p \geq 1$)

Comp a system is stable (exist Lyapunov function) \rightarrow eigenvalues in the unit ball \rightarrow given $A/A + BK \rightarrow |\lambda I - A| = 0$, get $\{\lambda_i\} \rightarrow (\lambda I - A)x = 0$, get $\{e_i\}$

System Theory Basics

Models: Continuous-time system: $\dot{x} = A^c x + B^c u$
Solution: $x(t) = e^{A^c(t-t_0)}x_0 + \int_{t_0}^t e^{A^c(t-\tau)}B u(\tau)d\tau$

Discrete-time system: $x(k+1) = g(x(k), u(k))$.
Discr-time linear system: $x(k+1) = Ax(k) + Bu(k)$.

Analysis: Open-loop $x_{k+1} = Ax_k + Bu_k, y = Cx_k$

- 1) **Stability:** An LTI system is globally asympt. stable $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x(k) = 0 \forall x(0) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ iff $|\lambda_j| < 1 \forall j = 1, \dots, n$;
- 2) **Controllable** $\iff \text{rank}([B \ AB \ \dots \ A^{n-1}B]) = n$;
 $\exists 0$ in control matrix $B \iff$ not ctrl.

- 3) **Stabilizable** \iff iff all of its uncontrollable modes are stable; Controllability implies stabilizability

- 4) **Observable** iff $\text{rank}([C \ (CA) \ \dots \ (CA^{n-1})]^T) = n$;
 $\exists 0$ in output matrix $C \iff$ not obs.

Unconstrained Optimal Control

Stage cost $l(x, u) = x^T Q x + u^T R u, Q, R$ pos.definite;
 $J^*(x(0)) := \min_u \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} l(x_i, u_i) + x_N^T P x_N$; s.t.
 $x_{i+1} = Ax_i + Bu_i, x_0 = x$; Set $Q = C^T$ and $R = \rho I \rightarrow \sum_{i=0}^N \|y_i\|^2 + u_i \rho \|u_i\|^2$ (Large ρ leads to small input energy and weakly controlled)

Bellman recursion/Parametric

Cost function: $V^*(x_0) := \min_u \sum_{i=0}^N l(x_i, u_i)$ s.t.
 $x_{i+1} = Ax_i + Bu_i$; **Comp** DP: 1) Assume PSD $V_{i+1}(x_{i+1}) = x_{i+1}^T H_{i+1} x_{i+1}$; 2) iterate $V(x_i)$ backwards for $N - 1$ to 0 given constraint; 3) Setting $\nabla_{u_i} V = 0$; $2(Au_i + Bx_i)^T H_{i+1} B + 2Ru_i = 0$; 4) obtain optimal input $u_i^* = K_i x_i$ until optimal $u_0^*(x_0)$

Conclusion: $V_i^*(x_i)$ is quadratic and positive definitive ; Optimizer $u_0^*(x)$ is linear function of current state

Transformed into matrix representation
 $V^*(x_0) := \min_u \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{R} \mathbf{u}$, s.t. $\mathbf{Ax} + \mathbf{Bu} = Cx_0$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ A & -1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & A & -1 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{Bu} = \begin{bmatrix} -A \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} x_0$$

where $B = \text{diag}\{B\}$; $\mathbf{x} = [x_1^T, \dots, x_N^T]$;
 $\mathbf{u} = [u_0^T, \dots, u_{N-1}^T]$ $Q = \text{diag}(Q)$; $R = \text{diag}(R)$
Least-squares solver to obtain $\mathbf{u} = Kx_0$, where $K = -(\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{F}^T \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{F})^{-1} \mathbf{F}^T \mathbf{Q} \mathbf{G}$ (different from DP)

Infin.Horizon.Ctrl/Stability of LQR
Infinite-horizon will be stable \rightarrow optimal cost is Lyapunov
Bellman equation: Can find a function V such that $V^*(x) = \min_u l(x, u) + V^*(Ax + Bu)$ so that $V^*(x) = V_\infty^*(x)$; \rightarrow DT Riccati Equation (**DRDE**) for Infin.LQR $u = Kx, K = (R + B^T P B)^{-1} B^T P A$:
 $P = Q + A^T P A - A^T P B (R + B^T P B)^{-1} B^T P A$
Optimal **cost-to-go:** $J_i^*(x_i) = x_i^T P_i x_i$.

Lyapunov function: 1) positive- $\{0\}$: $V(0) = 0, V(x) \geq 0$; 2) mono.decre. $V(f(x)) - V(x) \leq -\alpha(x) \exists V(x) \implies$ asymptotically stable in Ω .
LTI system, then \iff DT Lyapunov equation:
 $V(x) = x^T P x$ with $P > 0 : A^T P A - P = -Q, Q > 0$
Pro $V^*(x_1) = V^*(x_0) - x_0^T (Q + K^T R K) x_0 < V^*(x_0)$

Optimization

Feasibility and Stability

Feasible set: set of feasible variables z (satisfies the constraints); Optimizer: achieves min.cost $z \in \mathcal{C}$ and $p^* = f(z^*)$; **infeasible** if \mathcal{C} is empty
In order to ensure feasibility and stability, we must introduce $l_f(\cdot)$ and \mathcal{X}_f to mimic an infinite horizon.

Theorem: The closed-loop system under MPC $x(k+1) = Ax(k) + Bu_f^*(x(k))$ is *recursively feasible and asymptotically stable* if:
1. Stage cost is positive definite;
2. Terminal set is invariant under control $\kappa_f(x_i)$
 $x_{i+1} = Ax_i + B\kappa_f(x_i) \in \mathcal{X}_f \quad \forall x_i \in \mathcal{X}_f$
All state and input constraints are satisfied in \mathcal{X}_f :
 $\mathcal{X}_f \subseteq \mathcal{X} \quad \kappa_f(x_i) \in \mathcal{U} \quad \forall x_i \in \mathcal{X}_f$
3. Terminal cost is a Lyapunov function in \mathcal{X}_f :
 $l_f(x_{i+1}) - l_f(x_i) \leq -l(x_i, \kappa_f(x_i)) \quad \forall x_i \in \mathcal{X}_f$

Option 1: Choose $P = P_\infty$ solution of LQR control and \mathcal{X}_f maximum invariant set of $x_{i+1} = (A + BF_\infty)x_i$
 $\mathcal{X}_f \subseteq \mathcal{X}; \quad F_\infty x_i \in \mathcal{U} \quad \forall x_i \in \mathcal{X}_f$

Option 2: $P = A^T P A + Q$ assuming no control input after horizon (only possible if A is stable).
Under these assumptions, $J^*(x)$ is Lyapunov function:
 $J^*(x(k+1)) - J^*(x(k)) \leq -l(x(k), u^*(k))$

Convex Sets

$\lambda z_1 + (1 - \lambda)z_2 \in S$ for all $z_1, z_2 \in S, \lambda \in [0, 1]$ -convex
combination of points inside S are also inside S
Intersection of convex sets is convex. **Union** is not
Hyperplane: $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n | a^T x = b\}$ (affine and convex)
Halfspace: $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n | a^T x \leq b\}$ open if $<$, closed if \leq .
Polyhedron: finite intersection of closed halfspaces:
 $P = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n | a_i^T x \leq b_i\}$
Polytope is bounded polyhedron \rightarrow convex set

Convex Functions & Problems

$f: \text{dom}(f) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is **convex** $\iff \text{dom}(f)$ is convex and $f(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y) \leq \lambda f(x) + (1 - \lambda)f(y)$
 $\iff f(y) \geq f(x) + \nabla f(x)^T (y - x)$ if differentiable
 $\iff \nabla^2 f(x) \succeq 0 \forall x \in \text{dom}(f)$ if **twice-differentiable**.
A function f is **concave** if $-f$ is convex.

Some operations preserve convexity: non-negative weighted sum, composition with affine function, pointwise maximum/supremum, partial minimization.
Convex Problems: An optimization problem is **convex** if $\min_{x \in \text{dom}(f)} f(x)$; [subj. to $g_i(x) \leq 0 \quad i = 1, \dots, m$
 $h_i(x) = 0 \quad i = 1, \dots, p$]; $\text{dom}(f), f, g_i$ are convex,
 $h_i(x) = a_i^T x - b$ are affine.

For convex problems, local optima are global optima. A **strictly** convex problem has also a **unique** minimizer.
min convex or min concave \rightarrow convex problem

Linear programs: $f(x) = c^T x$. The solution can be:
1. unbounded $\implies p^* = -\infty$
2. bounded and unique $\implies p^* \in \mathbb{R}, x_{opt}$ is a point
3. bounded and multiple $\implies x_{opt} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^s$

QP: $f(x) = \frac{1}{2} x^T H x + q^T x (+r)$. If solution exists, it can lie inside the feasible space or on its boundary.

Constrained minimization

Turn constrained problem into unconstrained problem with **Barrier method:** **barrier function** $\phi(z)$ with **indicator function** $I \phi(z) = \sum_{i=1}^m I_{-}(g_i(z))$ (keep $g(z)$ neg, if outside feasible set $\rightarrow \infty$; but Underivable)

Augmented via log: $\phi(z) = -\sum_{i=1}^m \log(-g_i(z))$;
Comp gradient: $\nabla \phi = \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{1}{-g_i(z)} \nabla g_i(z)$; **hessian:**
 $\nabla^2 \phi = \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{1}{g_i(z)^2} \nabla g_i(z) \nabla g_i(z)^T + \frac{1}{-g_i(z)} \nabla^2 g_i(z)$;

Path-following Method-start from analytical center, arg min $_z \phi(z)$ decrease during optimization as $\kappa \rightarrow 0$, $f(z)$ dominates & reaches opt

Unconstrained minimization

1) **Necessary** condition $f(\cdot)$ differentiable at z^* , a local minimizer $\rightarrow \nabla f(z^*) = 0$; 2) **Sufficient** condition: $f(\cdot)$ twice differentiable at z^* , Hessian $\nabla^2 f(z^*) > 0$ is positive definite \rightarrow local minimizer; **Theo.:** with (1,2), if f convex, z^* is global optimizer iff $\nabla f(z^*) = 0$

Descent Methods $z^{(k+1)} = z^{(k)} + t^{(k)} \Delta z^{(k)}$;
1) Descent direction Δz ; Gradient descent:
 $\Delta z := -\nabla f(z)$; **Newton method** (invert the Hessian):
 $\Delta z = -\nabla^2 f(z)^{-1} \nabla f(z)$ 2) step size t (Line-search):
 $t^* = \text{argmin}_{t>0} f(z + t\Delta z)$

Descent direction $\delta z \iff$ overall.cost $f(z^{k+1}) < f(z^k)$
 \rightarrow **Pro** $\nabla f(z)^T \delta z < 0 \iff \nabla f + \kappa \nabla \phi)^T \delta_{nt} < 0$ (NT)

Barrier Interior-point 1) **Centering step** using Newton's Method: Compute $z^*(\kappa)$ by minimizing $f(z) + \kappa \phi(z)$ starting from z 2) Update $z := z^*(\kappa)$ (repeat) 3)
Stopping criterion: Stop if $m_\kappa < \epsilon$
4) Decrease barrier parameter: $\kappa := m_\kappa$

Comp Centering step Δz_{nt} min 2nd-order approx.:
 $(\nabla^2 f(z) + \kappa \nabla^2 \phi(z)) \Delta z_{nt} = -\nabla f(z) - \kappa \nabla \phi(z)$

Unconstrained Control

Invariance
Invariance: Region in which an autonomous system will satisfy the constraints **for all time**; **Controlled invariance:** Region for which there exists a controller so that the system satisfies the constraints for all time
A set \mathcal{O} is **positive invariant** for the autonomous system $x^+ = f(x)$ if $x_i \in \mathcal{O} \implies x_{i+1} \in \mathcal{O} \forall k = \{0, 1, \dots\}$
The **max.invar.** $\mathcal{O}_\infty \subseteq \mathbb{X}$ contains all invar. sets \mathcal{O}
Pre-Set: $\text{pre}(S) = \{x | g(x) \in S\}$ (states evolve in S).
Positive invariant $\mathcal{O} \iff \mathcal{O} \subseteq \text{pre}(\mathcal{O})$
 $\iff \text{pre}(\mathcal{O}) \cap \mathcal{O} = \mathcal{O}$

Control Invariant Set $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathbb{X}$ is $x_i \in \mathcal{C} \rightarrow \exists u_i \in \mathbb{U}$ such that $x^+ = f(x_i, u_i) \in \mathcal{C}$ for all $i \in \mathbb{N}^+$
Maxi.ctrl.invar. \mathcal{C}_∞ is the largest set for any controller
Pro If no state constraints X , we can setting $u = 0$ so input constraints are met everywhere $\rightarrow \mathcal{C}_\infty = \mathbb{R}^2$

Algo.-Compute $\mathcal{O}_\infty/\mathcal{C}_\infty$: input g, \mathcal{X} ; output \mathcal{O}_∞
1. $\Omega_0 \leftarrow \mathcal{X}$

2. **while** $\Omega_i \neq \Omega_{i-1}$ **do**
3. $\Omega_{i+1} \leftarrow \text{pre}(\Omega_i) \cap \Omega_i$
4. **if** $\Omega_{i+1} = \Omega_i$ **then**
5. **return** $\mathcal{O} = \Omega_i$
6. **end**
7. **end**

If \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{U} are boxes, and $x(k+1) = (A + BF)x(k)$ is linear, it is sufficient to check all corner points of \mathcal{X} to prove its invariance.

Represent set Ω_i as Polytopes

- 1) **inequility** form $P := \{x | Ax \leq b\}$;
- 2) **convex hull:** $\text{conv}(S)$ is the smallest convex set containing S . given a set of points $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ (weighted sum of points)

1-D case: $[a, b] \oplus [c, d] = [a + c, b + d]$; higher dim \rightarrow **Minkowski Sum:** $A \oplus B := \{x + y | x \in A, y \in B\}$

Conditions using **inequality:** 1) Input saturation:
 $u_{lb} \leq u \leq u^{ub} \rightarrow [1 \quad -1]^T u \leq [u^{ub} \quad -u_{lb}]^T$;
2) Rate constraints: $\|x_i - x_{i+1}\|_\infty \leq \alpha \rightarrow$
 $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_i \\ x_{i+1} \end{pmatrix} \leq 1\alpha$; 3) overshoot ≤ 0.1
response to a step of size r : $y \leq 1.1r$;

Intersec. $I = S \cap T = \left\{x \mid [C \ D]^T x \leq [c \ d]^T\right\}$ (stack)

Pre-set: $S = \{x \mid Fx \leq f\}$, $\text{pre}(S) = \{x \mid FAx \leq f\}$

MPC & Practical MPC

Main idea: Introduce **terminal cost, constraints** to ensure stability, feasibility to **guarantee valid approx. infin.**

$J^*(x) = \min_{x,u} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} x_i^T Q x_i + u_i^T R u_i + x_N^T P x_N$; s.t.
 $x_{i+1} = Ax_i + Bu_i, x_0 = x, Cx_i + Du_i \leq b, x_N \in \mathcal{X}_f$

1) Up to time $k = N$, calculate with constraints; 2) For $k > N$, drop the the constraints \rightarrow Unconstrained LQR starting from state x_N ;

Pro How to define terminal?

- 1) pos.invar. **stage cost** $Q, R \succ 0$; 2) **control law:** first set local law $K_f = 0$, satisfy $Ax + K_f u \in \mathcal{X}_f$
- 3) **set:** All states and input constraints are in \mathcal{X}_f as $\mathcal{X}_f \subseteq \mathbb{X}, \kappa_f(x) \in \mathbb{U}$ for all $x \in \mathcal{X}_f$ 4) **cost** satisfy stability condition: $V_f(x^+) - V_f(x) \leq -l(x, \kappa_f(x)) \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{X}_f$;
As local $\kappa_f: -l(x, \kappa_f(x)) = -x^T Q x$, so
 $x^T A^T Q_f A - x^T Q_f x \leq -x^T Q x, \forall x \in \mathcal{X}_f \iff$
 $A^T Q_f A - Q_f \preceq -Q$ [e.g., We can implement cost as $V_f(x_N) = x_N^T P x_N$, where P from DARE]

Feasible set \mathcal{X}_N : the set of initial states x for which the MPC problem with horizon N is feasible;

Recursive feasibility: For all feasible initial states, feasibility is guaranteed along the closed-loop trajectory.
Pro \exists a feasible solution $(x_0, \dots, u, u_0, \dots, u)$ at all time instance when starting from a feasible initial point $x_0(1)$ and (next step) remain in the constraint set X .

Stability: A pos.invar. X for system containing a neighborhood of the origin in its interior.

Pro Asymptotic Stability: 1) Lyapunov stable; 2) Approaching 0: $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_k\| = 0$ for all $x(0) \in \mathcal{X}$

Soft-Constrained MPC

Noise & may infeasible → Enlarging set → Relax state constraints by introducing slack variables ϵ_i and penalize them by adding $\rho(\epsilon_i) = \epsilon_i^T S \epsilon_i$ to the cost. Same solution (if feasible) in the original problem → Quadratic penalty is added for controllability.

$J_{\text{soft}}^*(x) \leq J^*(x)$ for all feasible $x \in S \rightarrow$ if standard MPC feasible, soft-constraint must be feasible. Increasing s reduces size but longer duration of violation. Increasing v peak violation \uparrow but with shorter duration.

Reference Tracking

The reference $r = Cx_s$ is achieved by state x_s which should be a steady-state: $x_s = Ax_s + Bu_s$.

$$\text{Target conditions: } \begin{bmatrix} I - A & -B \\ H & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_s \\ u_s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ r \end{bmatrix}$$

- If $n_u = n_r \Rightarrow$ unique solution
- If $n_u > n_r \Rightarrow$ ∞ solutions: find $\min u_s^T R_s u_s$
- If $n_u < n_r \Rightarrow$ impossible: $\min Q_s(Hx_s - r)^2$

Delta-formulation: $\Delta x = x - x_s$ and $\Delta u = u - u_s$
 $\Delta x_{i+1} = A\Delta x + B\Delta u$; $l = \Delta x_i^T Q \Delta x_i + \Delta u_i^T R \Delta u_i$
 $H_x x \leq h_x \Rightarrow H_x \Delta x \leq h_x - H_x x_s$
 $H_u u \leq h_u \Rightarrow H_u \Delta u \leq h_u - H_u u_s$

If, in addition to the three conditions stated before, $\{x_s\} \oplus \mathcal{X}_f \subseteq \mathcal{X}$, $K\Delta x + u_s \in \mathcal{U} \quad \forall \Delta x \in \mathcal{X}_f$ then the closed-loop system converges to x_s for $k \rightarrow \infty$. Input to apply: $u^*(k) = \Delta u_0^*(x(k)) + u_s$.

Constant Disturbance Rejection

Remove offset, converge to desired setpoint

Model: $x(k+1) = A(x(k)) + Bu(k) + B_d d(k)$

$d(k+1) = d(k)$, $y(k) = Cx(k) + C_d d(k)$

The augmented system is **observable** $\iff (A, C)$ is

observable and $\text{rank} \left(\begin{bmatrix} A - I & B_d \\ C & C_d \end{bmatrix} \right) = n_x + n_d$

Linear State Estimator:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}(k+1) \\ \hat{d}(k+1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & B_d \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}(k) \\ \hat{d}(k) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u(k) + \begin{bmatrix} L_x \\ L_d \end{bmatrix} [-y(k) + C\hat{x}(k) + C_d\hat{d}(k)]$$

Error dyn.: $\hat{e}_x(k) = x(k) - \hat{x}(k)$, $\hat{e}_d(k) = d(k) - \hat{d}(k)$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{e}_x(k+1) \\ \hat{e}_d(k+1) \end{bmatrix} = \left(\begin{bmatrix} A & B_d \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} L_x \\ L_d \end{bmatrix} [C \quad C_d] \right) \begin{bmatrix} \hat{e}_x(k) \\ \hat{e}_d(k) \end{bmatrix}$$

L_x, L_d are linear estimator to achieve $d_s = \hat{d}$

New target conditions:

$$\begin{bmatrix} I - A & -B \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_s \\ u_s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -B_d \hat{d} \\ r - C \hat{d} \end{bmatrix}$$

Procedure: 1) Estimate \hat{x} and \hat{d} ; 2) Obtain (x_s, u_s) from target conditions using \hat{d} ; 3) Solve MPC problem with (x_s, u_s) and using \hat{d} . If $n_y = n_d$ and the target steady-state is strictly feasible, then the target is achieved with zero offset.

Robust MPC

$x(k+1) = Ax(k) + Bu(k) + w(k)$, $w \in \mathcal{W}$ bounded.

A set $\mathcal{O}^{\mathcal{W}}$ is **robust positive invariant** if

$x(k) \in \mathcal{O}^{\mathcal{W}} \Rightarrow x(k+1) = g(x(k), w) \in \mathcal{O}^{\mathcal{W}} \quad \forall w \in \mathcal{W}$

Robust Pre-Set: Pre-set \forall values of disturbance:

$\text{pre}^{\mathcal{W}}(S) = \{x \mid g(x, w) \in S \quad \forall w \in \mathcal{W}\}$

Given $\Omega = \{x \mid Fx \leq f\}$ and $g(x, w) = Ax + w$,

$\text{pre}^{\mathcal{W}}(\Omega) = \{x \mid F(Ax + Fw \leq f \quad \forall w \in \mathcal{W})\}$

$$= \{x \mid F_i A x \leq f_i - \max_w F_i w \quad \forall i\} = A(\Omega \ominus \mathbb{W})$$

Comp robust.invar. $\Omega \cap \text{pre}^{\mathcal{W}}\{\Omega\}$; e.g. $X = [-10, 10]$, $|w| \leq 1$, $x^+ = 1/2x + w$
 $\text{pre}^{\mathcal{W}}(\Omega) = \{x \mid -10 \leq 1/2x + w \leq 10, \forall w \in [-1, 1]\}$
 $= \{x \mid -20 - 2w \leq x \leq 20 - 2w, \forall w \in [-1, 1]\}$
 $= \{x \mid 18 \leq x \leq 18\} \rightarrow \Omega \cap \text{pre} = [-10, 10]$

A set $\mathcal{O}^{\mathcal{W}}$ is robust pos. inv. $\iff \mathcal{O}^{\mathcal{W}} \subseteq \text{pre}^{\mathcal{W}}(\mathcal{O}^{\mathcal{W}})$
In order to compute it, we can use Algorithm 1.

Robust Open-Loop MPC

Nominal system + offset caused by the disturbance:

$J^*(x(0)) := \min_u l_f(x_N) + \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} l(x_i, u_i)$; s.t.

$x_{i+1} = Ax_i + Bu_i$; $x_i \in \mathcal{E} = \bigoplus_{k=0}^{i-1} A^k \mathbb{W}$; $u_i \in \mathcal{U}$,

$x_0 = x(k)$, $x_N \in \mathcal{X}_f \ominus (\mathcal{W} \oplus A\mathcal{W} \oplus \dots \oplus A^{N-1}\mathcal{W})$

where \mathcal{X}_f is a robust invariant set for the system

$x(k+1) = (A + BF)x(k)$ for some stabilizing F .

This problem has a very small region of attraction.

Tube-MPC

Separate control authority in two parts: v controls the nominal system $z(k+1) = Az(k) + Bv(k)$ and another that compensates disturbances: $u_i = K(x_i - z_i) + v_i$. We fix K offline and optimize the nominal trajectory.

Error dynam.: $e_{i+1} = x_{i+1} - z_{i+1} = (A + BK)e_i + w_i$

Minimum robust invariant set: $\mathcal{E} = \bigoplus_{k=0}^{i-1} A^k \mathbb{W}$
the smallest set in which the state will remain inside.

Therefore $x_i \in \{z_i\} \oplus \mathcal{E} \subseteq \mathcal{X} \iff z_i \in \mathcal{X} \ominus \mathcal{E}$ and

$u_i \in K\mathcal{E} \oplus v_i \subseteq \mathcal{U} \iff v_i \in \mathcal{U} \ominus K\mathcal{E}$

Algo.-Compute $\mathcal{E} = F_{\infty}$: 0) input A , output F_{∞} ; 1)

$\Omega_0 = \{0\}$; 2) loop and update $\Omega_{i+1} \leftarrow \Omega_i W$ until

$\Omega_{i+1} = \Omega_i$ 3) return F_{∞}

Tube-MPC Formulation:

$$(V^*(x_0), Z^*(x_0)) := \arg \min_{V, Z} l_f(z_N) + \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} l(z_i, v_i)$$

$$\text{subj. to } z_{i+1} = Az_i + Bv_i \quad \forall i = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

$$z_i \in \mathcal{X} \ominus \mathcal{E} \quad v_i \in \mathcal{U} \ominus K\mathcal{E} \quad \forall i$$

$$z_N \in \mathcal{X}_f \subseteq \mathcal{X} \ominus \mathcal{E} \quad x_0 \in z_0 \oplus \mathcal{E}$$

And apply $\mu_{\text{tube}}(x) := K(x - z_0^*(x)) + v_0^*(x)$;

$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} z_0^*(x(k)) = 0$ but $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x(k) \in \{0\} \oplus \mathcal{E}$

Assumptions: 1) The stage cost is a positive definite function; 2) The terminal set is invariant for the **nominal** system under the local control law $\kappa_f(z)$:

$Az + B\kappa_f(z) \in \mathcal{X}_f \quad \forall z \in \mathcal{X}_f$ **Pro Comp**

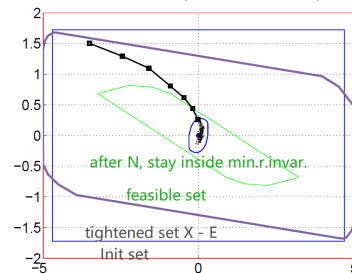
All tightened constraints are satisfied in \mathcal{X}_f :

$\mathcal{X}_f \subseteq \mathcal{X} \ominus \mathcal{E}$; $\kappa_f(z) \in \mathcal{U} \ominus K\mathcal{E} \quad \forall z \in \mathcal{X}_f$

3) Terminal cost is a Lyapunov function in \mathcal{X}_f

Pontryagin Diff.: $A \ominus B := \{x \mid x + e \in A, \forall e \in B\}$

Property: $A \ominus B \oplus B \subseteq A$ (but not equal)



Offline: 1) Choose **stabilizing K** such that

$\|A + BK\| < 1$; 2) **Comp** minimal robust invariant set

$\mathcal{E} = \bigoplus_{k=0}^{\infty} A^k \mathbb{W}$ for $x^+ = (Ax + BK)x$; 3) **Comp** tightened constraints: $\tilde{\mathcal{X}} := \mathcal{X} \ominus \mathcal{E}$ and $\tilde{\mathcal{U}} := \mathcal{U} \ominus K\mathcal{E}$; 4) Choose cost and terminal set \mathcal{X}_f

Online: 1. Measure/estimate the state x ; 2) Solve the optimization problem; 3) Apply input $u = \mu_{\text{tube}}(x)$

the system ignoring noise is **Input-to-State Stable**:

Bound that monotonically decreases to

$\max\{\|w\| \mid w \in \mathbb{W}\}$ (noise size) \rightarrow Converges to ≈ 0

Explicit MPC

KKT Conditions for $\min f(z)$. A constraints coeff.; λ

introduced variables; conditions for optimality:

1. Stationarity: $\nabla f(z) + A^T \lambda = 0$
2. Primal feasibility: $Az \leq b$, original constraints
3. Dual feasibility: $\lambda \geq 0$ constraints for λ
4. Complementarity: $\lambda^T (Az - b) = 0$

$$\begin{array}{ll} f^*(x) = \min_z \frac{1}{2} z^2 + 2xz & \nabla_z \mathcal{L} = z + 2x - \lambda - \nu = 0 \quad \text{Stationarity} \\ \text{s.t. } z \geq x - 1 & x - 1 - z \leq 0, z \geq 0 \quad \text{Primal feasibility} \\ z \geq 0 & \lambda, \nu \geq 0 \quad \text{Dual feasibility} \\ & \lambda(z - x - 1) = \nu z = 0 \quad \text{Complementarity} \end{array}$$

Four complementarity cases:

$\lambda = 0 \quad z \geq x - 1 \rightarrow \begin{cases} z^*(x) = -2x \\ f^*(x) = -2x^2 \\ x \leq 0 \end{cases}$	$\lambda = 0 \quad z \geq x - 1 \rightarrow \begin{cases} z^*(x) = 0 \\ f^*(x) = 0 \\ 0 \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$
$\lambda \geq 0 \quad z = x - 1 \rightarrow \begin{cases} z^*(x) = x - 1 \\ f^*(x) = \frac{3}{2}x^2 - 3x + \frac{1}{2} \\ x \geq 1 \end{cases}$	$\lambda \geq 0 \quad z = x - 1 \rightarrow \begin{cases} z^*(x) = 0 \\ f^*(x) = 0 \\ x = 1 \end{cases}$

Comp $[v + (-A^T)\lambda - \nabla f(z) = 0]$; $[s + A^T z = b]$

Comp value $f^*(z)$ by setting (v, s) , (z, λ) , $(v, \lambda) = 0$

Comp given a q, plot vector q and check the cone area from (e_1, e_2) or (e_2, m_1) or (m_1, m_2) or (m_2, e_1) and set others as 0 \rightarrow obtain by $(M - I)^{-1}q$

pQP: $J^*(x) := \min_u \frac{1}{2} u^T Q u + (Fx + f)^T u$, s.t.

$Gu \geq Ex + e$, $u \geq 0$

\rightarrow Parametric Linear Complementarity (**pLCP**):

$Iw - Mz = Qx + q$; $w, z \geq 0$, $w^T z = 0$;

KKT Conditions:	$Qu + Fx + f - G^T \lambda - \nu = 0$ Stationarity
	$-s + Gu = Ex + e$, $u \geq 0$ Primary feasibility
	$\lambda, \nu \geq 0$ Dual feasibility
	$\nu^T u = 0$, $\lambda^T s = 0$ Complementarity
Stationarity	$\begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} w \\ s \end{pmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} Q & -G^T \\ -G & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ \lambda \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F \\ -E \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} f \\ -e \end{bmatrix}$
Primal and dual feasibility	$\nu, s, u, \lambda \geq 0$
Complementarity	$\nu^T u = s^T \lambda = 0$

Find cone containing q (critical region): define the polyhedral critical region using the solution

$$CR(B) := \{x \mid A_B^{-1}(q + Qx) \geq 0\}$$

Convex pLCP \rightarrow sufficient matrix \rightarrow 1) unoverlapped cones (unique solution); 2) connected domain (connected neighbour) \rightarrow Calculate piecewise affine function and online evaluation \rightarrow Point Location by **sequential** or **logarithmic** search

Nonlinear MPC

Nonlinear system $x_{i+1} = f(x_i, u_i) \rightarrow$ nonconvex overall

cost $\arg \min \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} l(x_i, u_i) + V_f(x_N)$ while same theory and assumption on feasibility and stability.

Challenges: 1) hard to calculate the invariance set \rightarrow drop the terminal constraints; 2) local minimal

1) Compute nonconvex \rightarrow descent method; example: Newton's; Gauss-Newton; Sequential QP

2) Discretization: $u(t) = u(t_k) \quad \forall t \in [t_k, t_{k+1})$

Non-linear: $x(k+1) = x(k) + T_s \cdot g^c(x(k), u(k))$

Naive-Euler: $A = I + T_s A^c$ and $B = T_s B^c$

Exact: $A = e^{A^c T_s}$ and $B = (A^c)^{-1}(A - I)B^c$ **Solution:**

lin. comb. of initial state and inputs

$$x(k+N) = A^N x(k) + \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} A^i B u(k+N-1-i)$$

Advanced: Direct integration / Collocation

Runge-Kutta (RK)-2 as example $x^+ = x(t+h)$

2nd-order Taylor series $x^+ = x + h\dot{x} + \frac{h^2}{2}\ddot{x} + \mathcal{O}(h^3)$

$x^+ \approx x + \frac{h}{2}f(x) + \frac{h}{2}f(x + hf(x)) = x + h(\frac{1}{2}k_1 + \frac{1}{2}k_2)$
where $k_1 = f(x)$ and $k_2 = f(x + hk_1)$

RK4 use higher-order Taylor series \rightarrow high acc.

$$x_{k+1} = x_k + h \left(\frac{k_1}{6} + \frac{k_2}{3} + \frac{k_3}{3} + \frac{k_4}{6} \right), \text{ where}$$

$$k_1 = f(t_k, x_k), k_2 = f\left(t_k + \frac{h}{2}, x_k + \frac{h}{2}k_1\right),$$

$$k_3 = f\left(t_k + \frac{h}{2}, x_k + \frac{h}{2}k_2\right), k_4 = f\left(t_k + h, x_k + hk_3\right)$$

Remark

- union of a finite set of ellipses **not necessarily** convex
- intersection of an ellipse and a polytope \rightarrow convex
- **symmetric** $Q = Q^T$ and **nonnegative eigenvalues** $Q \succeq 0$ (all nonnegative \times) \rightarrow guarantee optimization prob $\min x^T Q x$ with local $x = x^*$ a **global** minimum
- quadratic function $x^T P x$ is convex iff P is PSD.

• $J^*(x_{k+1}) - J^*(x_k) \leq -I(x_k, u_0^*)$ ensures $J^*(x)$

Lyapunov function \rightarrow stability

- \exists subset of **pos.invar.** \neq invariant
- **Not** all **pos.invar.** for system $x^+ = f(x)$ can be written as a polyhedron $\{x \mid Gx \leq h\}$
- **intersection** and **union** of two **pos.invar.** are invar.
- **Convex hull** of **pos.invar.** is invar. if f **linear**
- **max.invar.** for system is **union** of given invar.

- \exists **possible** that N-step sequence $\in \mathbb{X}$ and MPC controller $\in \mathbb{U}$ given x_0 not in **max.ctrl.invar.** C_{∞}
- Given x_0 in **max.ctrl.invar.** C_{∞} for system $f(x, u)$ with constraints $\rightarrow \exists u_0 \in \mathbb{U}$ that $f(x_0, u_0) \notin \mathbb{X}$
- $\exists x \in \mathbb{X}$ and $\exists u \in \mathbb{U}$ such that $f(x, u) \in C \iff$ **Not** $\exists x \in \mathbb{X} - \{C\}$ and $\exists u \in \mathbb{U}$ such that $f(x, u) \in C$, given same setting before with (X, S)

- x_s always in the interior (boundary \times) of invar.
- **No** slack variable weight ρ ensure soft-constrained $J_{\text{soft}}^*(\bar{x}) = J^*(\bar{x})$ standard \approx soft with higher ρ

- **Minimal robust invar.** $F_{\infty} > \mathbb{X} \rightarrow$ feasible set \emptyset
- $S \subseteq \text{pre}(S \ominus W) = \text{pre}^{\mathcal{W}}(S)$ is invar. of the **uncertain** system with $w \in \mathbb{W}$
- Bounded disturbance system $x^+ = Ax + Bu + Ew$, **max.robust ctrl.invar.** C_{∞} will be \downarrow , \uparrow , and \downarrow after $0.5 \mathbb{U}$, \mathbb{W} , and \mathbb{X}
- MPC value function for all x : $J^*(x)$ unconstrained \leq constrained infin.hori.ctrl \leq constrained fin.hori.ctrl w/o terminal \leq w.terminal

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