

MPC model predictive control



(Relevant Theory recap)

CT state-space systems

- non-linear system: $\dot{x}(t) = g(x(t), u(t))$; $y(t) = h(x(t), u(t))$ (x : state, u : input, y : output)

- linearization: $A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial g_n}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial g_n}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}$ $B = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial u_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial u_m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial g_n}{\partial u_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial g_n}{\partial u_m} \end{bmatrix}$ $C = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial h_p}{\partial x_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial h_p}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix}$ $D = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial u_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial h_1}{\partial u_m} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial h_p}{\partial u_1} & \dots & \frac{\partial h_p}{\partial u_m} \end{bmatrix}$

$$\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$$

$$y = Cx + Du$$

$$x = x_e$$

$$u = u_e$$

- linear system: $\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + Bu(t)$; $y(t) = Cx(t) + Du(t)$ (x : state, u : input, y : output)

- discretization:

$$\begin{aligned} x(k+1) &= A_d x(k) + B_d u(k) \\ y(k) &= C_d x(k) + D_d u(k) \end{aligned}$$

direct method:

$$\begin{aligned} A_d &= e^{AT} = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} (AT)^k \frac{1}{k!} & C_d &= C \\ B_d &= \int_0^T e^{AT} dt \cdot B = A^{-1} (A_d - I) B & D_d &= D \end{aligned}$$

euler forward method:

$$\begin{aligned} A_d &= I + T \cdot A & C_d &= C \\ B_d &= T \cdot B & D_d &= D \end{aligned}$$

$\begin{cases} k: \text{timerstep} \\ T: \text{sampling time} \\ t = kT \end{cases}$

DT state-space systems

- linear system: $x(k+1) = Ax(k) + Bu(k)$; $y(k) = Cx(k) + Du(k)$ (x : state, u : input, y : output)

- assymp. stability: $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x(k) = 0 \quad \forall x(0) \iff |\lambda_i| < 1 \quad \forall \lambda_i = \text{EW}(A)$ (any $x(0)$ will reach equilibrium ($x=0$) with $u=0$)

- controllability: $\text{rank}(B \ AB \ \dots \ A^{n-1}B) = n$ (n : sys.order) (any x can be reached from any $x(0)$ with correct u)

- observability: $\text{rank}(C \ (CA)^T \ \dots \ (CA^{n-1})^T) = n$ (n : sys.order) (state $x(0)$ can be deduced from y)

- pot. stabilizability: $\text{rank}((\lambda_i I - A) \ B) = n \quad \forall |\lambda_i| \geq 1$ ($\lambda_i = \text{EW}(A)$) (uncontrollable modes are stable)

- detectability: $\text{rank}((A^T - \lambda_i I) \ C^T) = n \quad \forall |\lambda_i| \geq 1$ ($\lambda_i = \text{EW}(A)$) (unobservable modes are stable)

- non-linear system: $x(k+1) = g(x(k), u(k))$; $y(k) = h(x(k), u(k))$ (equilibrium at $\bar{x}: \bar{x} = g(\bar{x}, 0)$)

- assymp. stability: $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x(k) - \bar{x}\| = 0 \quad \forall x(0) \in \Omega$ (state goes to equilibrium when starting at $x(0)$ and $u=0$)

- global assymp. stab: assumption, stability, but for all $x(0) \in \Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$

- lyapunov stability: $\|x(k) - \bar{x}\| < \epsilon \in \mathbb{R} \quad \forall k, x(0) \in \Omega$ (state doesn't go to inf. when starting at $x(0)$ and $u=0$)

Stability with Lyapunov function

Lyapunov Function: $V(x) : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with $V(0)=0$; $V(x) > 0 \quad \forall x \in \Omega \setminus \{0\}$ (some sort of "Energy" function)

↪ good candidates to try: $V(x) = x^T P x$ (where P positive definite matrix)

- CT nonlinear: $\dot{x}(t) = f(x(t))$ (eq. at $x=0$) $\rightarrow \alpha(x) = \frac{d}{dt} V(x(t)) = \sum_{i=0}^n \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_i} \cdot \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial t} = (\nabla V(x))^T f(x)$

- DT nonlinear: $x(k+1) = f(x(k))$ (eq. at $x=0$) $\rightarrow \alpha(x) = V(f(x(k))) - V(x(k)) \approx \dot{V}(x)$ (euler forward discretization)

→ if $\alpha(x) \leq 0 \quad \forall x \in \Omega \setminus \{0\}$ → lyapunov stable in Ω

→ if $\alpha(x) < 0 \quad \forall x \in \Omega \setminus \{0\}$ → assymp. stable in Ω

→ if $\alpha(x) < 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$ and $\lim_{\|x\| \rightarrow \infty} V(x) \rightarrow \infty$ → globally assymp. stable

→ else → no conclusion. Try other $V(x)$ maybe?

DT linear example: $x(k+1) = A \cdot x(k)$ (eq. at $x=0$) ; $V(x) = x^T P x \rightarrow \alpha(x) = (A x)^T P (A x) - x^T P x = x^T (A^T P A - P) x$
globally assymp. stable if $-(A^T P A - P)$ positive definite $\Leftrightarrow |\lambda_i| < 1 \quad \forall i$ with $\lambda_i = \text{EW}(A)$

CT linear example: $\dot{x}(t) = A \cdot x(t)$ (eq. at $x=0$) ; $V(x) = x^T P x \rightarrow \alpha(x) = \nabla(x^T P x)^T A x = (2P)^T A x = x^T ((2P)^T A) x$
globally assymp. stable if $-(2P)^T A$ positive definite $\Leftrightarrow \text{Re}(\lambda_i) < 0 \quad \forall i$ with $\lambda_i = \text{EW}(A)$

Optimization Problem

$$\underset{x}{\text{minimize}} \quad f(x) \quad \text{subject to:} \quad \begin{cases} x \in \text{dom}(f) \\ g_i(x) \leq 0 & i=1, \dots, m \\ h_i(x) = 0 & i=1, \dots, p \end{cases}$$

$x=(x_1, \dots, x_n)$: optimization variables
 $f: \text{dom}(f) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$: objective function
 $g_i: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$: inequality constraints (optional)
 $h_i: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$: equality constraints (optional)

$\mathcal{X} = \{x \in \text{dom}(f) \mid g_i(x) \leq 0, h_i(x) = 0\}$: set of feasible points

$p^* = \min_x f(x)$ subj to $x \in \mathcal{X}$: optimal value

$x^* = \arg \min_x f(x)$ subj to $x \in \mathcal{X}$: optimizer (multiple points)

if $g_i(x^*) = 0$ constraint is active else inactive

a constraint is redundant if it does not change \mathcal{X}

$\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{R}^n$: unconstrained problem

$\bar{\mathcal{X}} = \{x \mid g_i(x) < 0\}$: set of strictly feasible points

$p^* = -\infty$: unbounded below

$p^* = \infty$: infeasible ($\mathcal{X} = \emptyset$)

• convex optimization problem:

convex set: $\lambda x + (1-\lambda)y \in \mathcal{X}, \forall \lambda \in [0,1], \forall x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ (every point between 2 points $\in \mathcal{X}$ is also $\in \mathcal{X}$)

open/closed halfspace: $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \vec{a}^T x \leq \text{or} < b\}$ (set of all points on one side of a plane \vec{a} : normal, b : dist. from 0)

polyhedron: intersection of a finite set of halfspaces. polytope: a bounded polyhedron.

ellipsoid: $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid (x-x_c)^T A (x-x_c) \leq 1\}$ ($A > 0$) (x_c : center, $\sqrt{\text{EW}(A^{-1})}$: semi-axis lengths, $\text{EV}(A^{-1})$: semi-axis dir.)

norm balls: $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|x-x_c\|_p \leq r\}$ (x_c : center, r : radius, p : norm) ($\|x\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum x_i^2}$; $\|x\|_1 = \sum |x_i|$; $\|x\|_\infty = \max(x_i)$; ...)

range: $\{x \in \mathbb{R} \mid x_l \leq x \leq x_h\} = [x_l, x_h]$ (x_l : lower bound, x_h : higher bound)

convex function: $f(x): \text{dom}(f) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ convex iff $\text{dom}(f)$: convex and $f(\lambda x + (1-\lambda)y) \leq \lambda f(x) + (1-\lambda)f(y), \forall \lambda \in [0,1], \forall x, y \in \text{dom}(f)$

strictly convex func.: like convex but with $<$ not \leq concave function: $f(x): \text{dom}(f) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ concave iff $-f(x)$ is convex

level set: $L_\alpha = \{x \mid x \in \text{dom}(f), f(x) = \alpha\}$ sublevel set: $C_\alpha = \{x \mid x \in \text{dom}(f), f(x) \leq \alpha\}$ (these are convex)

first-order condition: $f(y) \geq f(x) + \nabla f(x)^T (y-x) \quad \forall x, y \in \text{dom}(f) \quad (\nabla f(x) = [\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n}]^T)$

second-order condition: $\nabla^2 f(x) \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in \text{dom}(f) \quad (\nabla^2 f(x)_{ij} = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j})$

examples: $f(x) = ax+b$; $f(x) = e^{ax}$; $f(x) = x^\alpha$ $\forall a \leq 0, a \geq 1$; $f(x) = \|x\|_p \quad \forall p \geq 1$; $f(x) = \frac{1}{2} x^T H x + q^T x \quad \forall H > 0$

convex problem: $\min_x f(x)$ subj. to $g_i(x) \leq 0 \quad i=1, \dots, m$ where f : convex function

$h_i(x) = 0 \quad i=1, \dots, p$ $g_i \leq 0, h_i = 0$: convex sets $\Leftrightarrow g_i, h_i$: convex functions

(consequence: feasibility set \mathcal{X} is convex; local optima are global optima)

general linear program (LP): $\min c^T x$ subj. to $Gx \leq h$ and $Ax = b$ \mathcal{X} is a polyhedron!

general quadratic program (QP): $\min \frac{1}{2} x^T H x + q^T x$ subj. to $Gx \leq h$ and $Ax = b$ ($H > 0$)

• dual optimization problem: (dual problem always convex even if primal problem is not!)

Lagrangian function: $L(x, \lambda, v) = f(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i g_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^p v_i h_i(x)$ ($L: \text{dom}(f) \times \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$)

Lagrange dual func.: $d(\lambda, v) = \min_x L(x, \lambda, v)$ subj. to: nothing (for some λ, v take smallest L) $\rightarrow x^* = \text{func}(\lambda, v)$

dual problem: $d^* = \max_{\lambda, v} d(v, \lambda)$ subj. to: $\lambda \geq 0$ $\rightarrow \lambda^*, v^*$: Lagrange multipliers; $x^* = \text{func}(\lambda^*, v^*)$

weak duality: $d^* \leq p^*$ always holds

$\hookrightarrow x^* = \text{some local minimum}$

strong duality: $d^* = p^*$ if convex problem and strictly feasible points $\bar{\mathcal{X}} \neq \emptyset$

$\hookrightarrow x^* = \text{global minimum}$

Slater's condition

• KKT conditions: (equivalent to solving dual optim. problem)

1) primal feasibility: $g_i(x^*) \leq 0 \quad (i=1, \dots, m)$ and $h_i(x^*) = 0 \quad (i=1, \dots, p)$

2) dual feasibility: $\lambda_i^* \geq 0 \quad (i=1, \dots, m)$

3) complementary slackness: $\lambda_i^* g_i(x^*) = 0 \quad (i=1, \dots, m)$

4) stationarity: $\nabla_x L(x^*, \lambda^*, v^*) = \nabla f(x^*) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^* \nabla g_i(x^*) + \sum_{i=1}^p v_i^* \nabla h_i(x^*) = 0$

- necessary conditions on (x^*, λ^*, v^*) given weak duality.

- necessary + sufficient conditions on (x^*, λ^*, v^*) given strong duality:

Constrained Finite Time Optimal control

$$\begin{aligned} J^*(x_0) &= \min_u l_f(x_N) + \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} l(x_i, u_i) \\ \text{subj.to: } & x_{i+1} = A x_i + B u_i \\ & x_i \in \mathcal{X} \leftarrow \mathcal{X} = \{x \mid A_x x \leq b_x\} \\ & u_i \in \mathcal{U} \leftarrow \mathcal{U} = \{u \mid A_u u \leq b_u\} \\ & x_N \in \mathcal{X}_f \leftarrow \mathcal{X}_f = \{x \mid A_f x \leq b_f\} \end{aligned}$$

J^* : optimal total cost
 $l(x, u)$: stage cost (s.t.: $l(0, 0) = 0$ and $l(x, u) > 0$ for $x \neq 0, u \neq 0$)
 $l_f(x)$: terminal cost (s.t.: $l_f(0) = 0$ and $l(x) > 0$ for $x \neq 0$)
 \mathcal{X}, \mathcal{U} : constraint spaces for x, u \mathcal{X}_f : terminal x constraint space
 $U^* = \{u_0^*, \dots, u_N^*\}$: optimal input u_0^* : optimal control action
 X_0 : feasible set (all x_0 for which the optim. prob. is feasible)

- quadratic cost: ($l_f(x_N) = x_N^T P x_N$; $l(x_i, u_i) = x_i^T Q x_i + u_i^T R u_i$; $P > 0$; $Q > 0$; $R > 0$)

- with substitution: $J^*(x_0) = \min_u [U]^\top \begin{bmatrix} H & F^\top \\ x_0 & Y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U \\ x_0 \end{bmatrix} = U^\top H U + 2 x_0^\top F U + x_0^\top Y x_0$ subj.to: $GU \leq w + Ex_0$

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-2} \\ u_{N-1} \end{bmatrix} \quad G = \begin{bmatrix} A_u & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & A_u & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & A_u \\ \hline 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ A_x B & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ A_x AB & A_x B & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_f A^{N-1} B & A_f A^{N-2} B & \cdots & A_f B \end{bmatrix} \quad W = \begin{bmatrix} b_u \\ b_u \\ \vdots \\ b_u \\ b_x \\ b_x \\ \vdots \\ b_x \\ b_f \end{bmatrix} \quad E = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ -A_x \\ -A_x A \\ -A_x A^2 \\ \vdots \\ -A_f A^N \end{bmatrix} \quad \underbrace{H = [\]}_{\text{see LQR batch approach for } H, F, Y} \quad \underbrace{F = [\]} \quad \underbrace{Y = [\]}_{\text{see LQR batch approach for } H, F, Y}$$

- without substitution: $J^*(x_0) = \min_z [z]^\top \begin{bmatrix} \bar{H} & 0 \\ 0 & Q \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z \\ x_0 \end{bmatrix} = z^\top \bar{H} z + x_0^\top Q x_0$ subj.to: $G_{in} z \leq w_{in} + E_{in} x_0$; $G_{eq} z = E_{eq} x_0$

$$z = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_N \\ u_0 \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1} \end{bmatrix} \quad G_{eq} = \begin{bmatrix} I & -B \\ -A & I \\ -A & I \\ \ddots & \ddots \\ -A & I \end{bmatrix} \quad E_{eq} = \begin{bmatrix} A \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad G_{in} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & A_x & \cdots & A_x & A_f \\ \hline & A_x & \cdots & A_x & A_f \\ & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ & A_v & \cdots & A_v & A_v \end{bmatrix} \quad W_{in} = \begin{bmatrix} b_x \\ b_x \\ \vdots \\ b_x \\ b_u \\ b_u \\ \vdots \\ b_u \end{bmatrix} \quad E_{in} = \begin{bmatrix} -A_x \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \bar{H} = \begin{bmatrix} Q & \cdots & Q \\ \cdots & Q & P \\ \hline & R & \cdots & R \end{bmatrix}$$

- ∞ -norm cost: ($l_f(x_N) = \|P x_N\|_\infty$; $l(x_i, u_i) = \|Q x_i\|_\infty + \|R u_i\|_\infty$)

$$\begin{aligned} J^*(x_0) &= \min_z C^T z \quad \text{subj.to: } \bar{G} z \leq \bar{w} + \bar{S} x_0 \\ \begin{cases} z = [\varepsilon_0^x, \dots, \varepsilon_N^x, \varepsilon_0^u, \dots, \varepsilon_{N-1}^u, u_0^T, \dots, u_{N-1}^T]^T \\ C^T = [1, \dots, 1, 1, \dots, 1, 0, \dots, 0] \end{cases} & \begin{cases} \pm Q x_i \leq [\varepsilon_i^x, \dots, \varepsilon_i^x]^T \quad (i=0, \dots, N-1) \\ \pm P x_N \leq [\varepsilon_N^x, \dots, \varepsilon_N^x]^T \\ \pm R u_i \leq [\varepsilon_i^u, \dots, \varepsilon_i^u]^T \quad (i=0, \dots, N-1) \\ GU \leq w + Ex_0 \quad (\text{like for quad. cost}) \end{cases} & \begin{aligned} & \text{substit } X = S x_0 + S^T U \text{ and rewrite:} \\ & \bar{G} z \leq \bar{w} + \bar{S} x_0 \\ & \bar{G} = [G_E \quad G_U], \bar{w} = [w_E \quad w_U], \bar{S} = [S_E \quad S_U] \\ & \bar{G} G_E G_U S_E = \dots ? \end{aligned} \end{aligned}$$

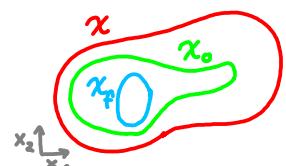
- example ∞ -norm: $\min_b \|Ab\|_\infty \Leftrightarrow \min_{\varepsilon, b} \varepsilon$ subj.to: $\pm Ab \leq [\varepsilon, \dots, \varepsilon]^T$

- 1-norm cost: ($l_f(x_N) = \|P x_N\|_1$; $l(x_i, u_i) = \|Q x_i\|_1 + \|R u_i\|_1$)

formula derivation analog to ∞ -norm...

- example 1-norm: $\min_b \|Ab\|_1 \Leftrightarrow \min_{\varepsilon, b} (1, \dots, 1) \cdot \varepsilon$ subj.to: $\pm Ab \leq \varepsilon$

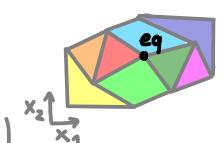
- resulting control laws: ($u_0^* = \text{func}(x_0)$)



- quadratic program:
 u_0^* continuous and piecewise linear on polyhedra
(\bullet = unconstrained LQR)



- linear program:
 u_0^* piecewise constant on polyhedra
(min. 1 const. always active)



Invariance (sets of states that are guaranteed to respect constraints)

- **positive invariant set**: $O \subseteq \mathcal{X}$ for which: $x \in O \Rightarrow g(x) \in O$ ($x(k+1) = g(x(k)) \leftarrow \text{NO INPUT!}$) (state stays inside O forever)


↳ same as: $O \subseteq \text{pre}(O)$ (pre-set: $\text{pre}(S) = \{x | g(x) \in S\}$ set that becomes S in 1 step)

(maximal positive invariant set: $O_\infty = \text{union of all } O$)

pre-set with linear sys. $x(k+1) = Ax(k)$: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • polytopic $\mathcal{X} = \{x Fx \leq f\}$: $\hookrightarrow \text{pre}(\mathcal{X}) = \{x FAx \leq f\}$ • ellipsoid $\mathcal{X} = \{x x^T Px \leq \alpha\}$: $\hookrightarrow \text{pre}(\mathcal{X}) = \{x x^T A^T P A x \leq \alpha\}$ • range $\mathcal{X} = [a, b] \rightarrow \text{pre}(\mathcal{X}) = \frac{1}{2}A \cdot [a, b]$ 	algorithm for finding O_∞ : <pre> $\Omega_0 \leftarrow \mathcal{X}$ while $\Omega_{i+1} \leftarrow \text{pre}(\Omega_i) \cap \Omega_i$ if $\Omega_{i+1} = \Omega_i$ then return $O_\infty = \Omega_i$ endif endwhile </pre>	algorithm for finding largest ellipsoid O_e : <p>(works if \exists Lyapunov func. $V(x) = x^T Px$ and \mathcal{X} polytopic set $\{x Fx \leq f\}$)</p> $\max \alpha \text{ s.t. } \{x x^T Px \leq \alpha\} \subset \{x Fx \leq f\}$ $\hookrightarrow \text{equiv. to: } \max \alpha \text{ s.t. } h(F_i) \leq f_i \quad \forall i$ $h(F_i) = \max_{x \in \mathcal{X}} F_i^T x \text{ s.t. } x^T Px \leq \alpha$ $= \dots = \ P^{-1/2} \cdot F_i\ \cdot \sqrt{\alpha}$ $\hookrightarrow \text{equiv. to: } \alpha^* = \min_i f_i^2 / (F_i^T P^{-1} F_i^T) \quad \forall i$ $\hookrightarrow O_e = \{x x^T Px \leq \alpha^*\}$
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- **control invariant set**: like positive invariant, but allow inputs.

$C \subseteq \mathcal{X}$ for which: $x \in C \Rightarrow \exists u \in U \text{ s.t. } g(x, u) \in C$

(given the correct input, the state stays inside C forever)

\hookrightarrow same as: $C \subseteq \text{pre}(C)$ (pre-set: $\text{pre}(S) = \{x | \exists u \in U \text{ s.t. } g(x, u) \in S\}$)

HARD!!

- **control invariant set under const. control law**: $u(k) = Kx(k) \rightarrow x(k+1) = \underbrace{[A+BK]}_{C_k} x(k) = A_k x(k); \mathcal{X}_k = \{x | \begin{bmatrix} A_x \\ A_u K \end{bmatrix} x \leq \begin{bmatrix} b_x \\ b_u \end{bmatrix}\} \leftarrow \mathcal{X}$
- $\hookrightarrow C_k = \text{e.g. } O_\infty \text{ alg. with } A_k, \mathcal{X}_k \quad \hookrightarrow C_k|_{K=F_\infty} = \text{e.g. } O_e \text{ alg. with } K=F_\infty \rightarrow P=P_\infty = \text{Lyap func for } (A+BK), \mathcal{X}_k|_{K=F_\infty}$

recursive feasibility and stability \rightarrow pick $\mathcal{X}_f, l_f(x)$ such that: (for constrained finite time optimal control)

- 1) **recursive feasibility**: optimizer will always find solution that satisfies all constraints when applying u^* indefinitely
(motivation: finite time horizon could lead state x to a value where no $u \in U$ can keep $x \in \mathcal{X}$ in the next timesteps)
 \hookrightarrow prove that: if $x(k)$ feasible ($\in \mathcal{X}_0$) then $x(k+1)$ feasible ($\in \mathcal{X}_0$)

- 2) **recursive stability**: $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x(k) = 0$ = "equilibrium" when reapplying u^* indefinitely (motivation: will get to eq. eventually)
 \hookrightarrow prove that: optimal cost function $J^*(x_0)$ is a Lyapunov function $\Leftrightarrow J^*(x(k+1)) < J^*(x(k))$

- $\mathcal{X}_f = \{0\}, l_f(x) = ?$: (force state to 0 = "equilibrium" at end of horizon)

- **feasibility proof**: if $\{u_{0,..,u_N}^* \rightarrow x_{0,..,x_N}^* = 0\}$ feasible, then $\{u_{0,..,u_N}^*, 0\} \rightarrow \{x_{0,..,x_N}^*, 0\}$ feasible $\rightarrow \checkmark$
- **stability proof**: $J^*(x(k)) = J(\{u_{0,..,u_N}^*, x_{0,..,x_N}^* = 0\})$ $\xrightarrow{J^*(x(k+1)) \leq \tilde{J}(x(k+1)) < J^*(x(k))}$
- $\tilde{J}(x(k+1)) = J(\{u_{0,..,u_N}^*, \{x_{0,..,x_N}^*, 0\}\}) = J^*(x(k)) - l(x(k), u_0^*)$ $\hookrightarrow l_f(x) = \text{anything}$

- $\mathcal{X}_f \subseteq C, l_f(x) = ?$: (force state to be in some control invariant set at end of horizon)

- **feasibility proof**: \sim (similar to $\mathcal{X}_f = \{0\}$ proof) $\sim \sim \sim \rightarrow \checkmark$
- **stability proof**: $\sim \sim$ (similar to $\mathcal{X}_f = \{0\}$ proof) $\sim \sim \sim \rightarrow$ guaranteed if: $l_f(x_{i+1}) - l_f(x_i) \leq -L(x_i, u_0^*(x_i)) \quad \forall x_i \in \mathcal{X}_f$

- **practical choices**: (for linear system, quadratic cost)

- 1) choose desired constraints $x \in \mathcal{X}, u \in U$
- 2) design unconstrained LQR : $F_\infty = \dots, P_\infty = \dots$
- 3) choose terminal weight : $P = P_\infty \rightarrow l_f(x) = x^T Px$
- 4) choose terminal set : $\mathcal{X}_f: x \in \mathcal{X}_f \Rightarrow (A+BF_\infty)x \in \mathcal{X}_f \quad \forall x$
(control inv. under $u = F_\infty x$)

$A_{F_\infty} = A + BF_\infty; \mathcal{X}_{F_\infty} = \{x | \begin{bmatrix} A_x \\ A_u F_\infty \end{bmatrix} x \leq \begin{bmatrix} b_x \\ b_u \end{bmatrix}\}$

option 1: $\mathcal{X}_f = O_e$ largest positive invariant ellipsoid using $P_\infty, \mathcal{X}_{F_\infty}$, since $x^T P_\infty x$ is Lyapunov func of closed-loop controller $x_{k+1} = (A + BF_\infty)x_k$

option 2: $\mathcal{X}_f = O_\infty$ max. pos. inv. set for $A_{F_\infty}, \mathcal{X}_{F_\infty}$ system

Practical issues

- **reference tracking** (track some non-zero set-point) (only for linear systems!)

system model: $x(k+1) = Ax(k) + Bu(k)$; $x \in \mathcal{X} = \{x \mid G_x x \leq h_x\}$; $u \in \mathcal{U} = \{u \mid G_u u \leq h_u\}$

goal: $r \approx y = Cx$ (r : ref. val. of tracked states, y : actual value of tracked states, C : selection matrix)

target state: x_s, u_s such that $r = Cx_s$ (match reference) and $x_s = Ax_s + Bu_s$ (steady state)

→ if multiple solutions exist: $\min_{x_s, u_s} u^T R u_s$ subj.to: $\begin{bmatrix} I-A & -B \\ C & O \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_s \\ u_s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ r \end{bmatrix}$; $x_s \in \mathcal{X}$; $u_s \in \mathcal{U}$
(pick cheapest one)

→ if no solutions exist: $\min_{x_s, u_s} (Cx_s - r)^T Q_y (Cx_s - r)$ subj.to: $x_s = Ax_s + Bu_s$; $x_s \in \mathcal{X}$; $u_s \in \mathcal{U}$
(pick closest one)

optimization problem: $\min_u \underbrace{(y_N - Cx_s)^T P_y (y_N - Cx_s)}_{\Delta u^T P \Delta x} + \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} (y_i - Cx_i)^T Q_y (y_i - Cx_i) + (u_i - u_s)^T R (u_i - u_s)$
 $\min_{\Delta u} \Delta x^T P \Delta x + \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \Delta x^T Q \Delta x + \Delta u^T R \Delta u$

constraints: subj.to: $\Delta x_{i+1} = A \Delta x_i + B \Delta u_i$; $G_x \Delta x_i \leq h_x - G_x x_s$; $G_u \Delta u_i \leq h_u - G_u u_s$; $\Delta x_N \in \mathcal{X}_f^{\text{new}}$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} R: \text{input cost} \\ Q_y: \text{ref. state cost} \\ P_y: \text{final ref. st. c.} \\ \Delta x = x - x_s \\ \Delta u = u - u_s \\ P = C^T P_y C \\ Q = C^T Q_y C \end{array} \right]$$

recursive feasibility: \mathcal{X}_f changes for $r \neq 0$ because constraints change! → recompute $\mathcal{X}_f^{\text{new}}$, or scale $\mathcal{X}_f^{\text{new}} = \alpha \mathcal{X}_f$ to fit inside new constr.

stability: remains guaranteed if stable for $r=0$ (e.g.: $P=P_\infty$ cost to inf. of LQR) \ fit inside new constr.

receipt: select target $x_s, u_s \rightarrow$ run optimizer for $\Delta x, \Delta u \rightarrow$ recover $u_0^* = \Delta u_0^* + u_s$

- **offset-free reference tracking** (like before, but can deal with offsets)

system model: $x(k+1) = Ax(k) + Bu(k) + B_d \cdot d$ d : disturbance (assumed const.)

$y(k) = Cx(k) + C_d \cdot d$ B_d, C_d : some matrices

linear state estimator: $\begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}(k+1) \\ \hat{d}(k+1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & B_d \\ O & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}(k) \\ \hat{d}(k) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B \\ O \end{bmatrix} u(k) + \begin{bmatrix} L_x \\ L_d \end{bmatrix} (-y(k) + C\hat{x}(k) + C_d \hat{d}(k))$

(\hat{x}, \hat{d} : estimates of x, d ; pick L_x, L_d such that $\begin{bmatrix} x(k) - \hat{x}(k) \\ d(k) - \hat{d}(k) \end{bmatrix}$ is stable!)

new target: x_s, u_s such that $x_s = Ax_s + Bu_s + B_d \hat{d}$ (steady state) and $H(Cx_s + C_d \hat{d}) = r$ (match reference)

→ rest is the same!

- **MPC without terminal set \mathcal{X}_f** : recursive stability + feasibility is still guaranteed for all x_0 that land in \mathcal{X}_f without that constraint being part of the optimization problem. (here $x_0 \notin \mathcal{X}_f$! set is hard to compute)

- **soft state constraints** (allow state constr. to be broken for a cost, so problem will never become unfearable)

ϵ_i : amount each state constr. is broken at time i . ($\epsilon_i > 0$)

$l_\epsilon(\epsilon_i)$: penalty cost for breaking a state constr.

→ pick such that: if orig. problem had a feasible solution U^* , then the softened problem has the same solution U^* and $\epsilon_i = 0 \forall i$

→ option 1: $l_\epsilon(\epsilon) = v \cdot \|\epsilon\|_1 + \epsilon^T S \epsilon$ and $v > \|\lambda^*\|_\infty$; $S \geq 0$

→ option 2: $l_\epsilon(\epsilon) = v \cdot \|\epsilon\|_\infty + \epsilon^T S \epsilon$ and $v > \|\lambda^*\|_1$; $S \geq 0$

→ option 3: pick something and don't care for $U_{\text{HARD}}^* = U_{\text{SOFT}}^*$

$$\min_u x_N^T P x_N + l_\epsilon(\epsilon_N) + \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} x_i^T Q x_i + u_i^T R u_i + l_\epsilon(\epsilon_i)$$

$$\text{subj.to: } x_{i+1} = A \cdot x_i + B \cdot u_i$$

$$x_i \in \mathcal{X} \leftarrow \mathcal{X} = \{x \mid A_x x \leq b_x + \epsilon_i\}$$

$$u_i \in \mathcal{U} \leftarrow \mathcal{U} = \{u \mid A_u u \leq b_u\}$$

$$x_N \in \mathcal{X}_f \leftarrow \mathcal{X}_f = \{x \mid A_f x \leq b_f + \epsilon_N\}$$

$$\epsilon_i \geq 0 \quad \forall i$$

(λ^* : Lagrange multiplier of "hard" problem)

Robust MPC

uncertainty model: $x(k+1) = Ax(k) + Bu(k) + w(k)$ ($w \in W$: random noise)

- robust positive invariant set $\Omega^w \subseteq X$ for which $x \in \Omega^w \rightarrow Ax + w \in \Omega^w \quad \forall w \in W$ (state in Ω^w forever, despite noise)
 - ↪ same as $\Omega^w \subseteq \text{pre}^w(\Omega^w)$ (robust pre-set: $\text{pre}^w(\Omega) = \{\bar{x} \mid A\bar{x} + w \in \Omega \quad \forall w \in W\}$)
- robust pre-set with polytopic X : $\text{pre}^w(\Omega) = \{\bar{x} \mid F\bar{x} + F_w \leq f \quad \forall w \in W\} = \{\bar{x} \mid F\bar{x} \leq f - [h_w(F_1^T), \dots, h_w(F_m^T)]^T\}$
- robust pre-set with range X, W : $\text{pre}^w(\Omega) = \{\bar{x} \mid a\bar{x} + w \in [X_c, X_h] \quad \forall w \in [W_c, W_h]\} = \frac{1}{a} \cdot ([X_c, X_h] \ominus [W_c, W_h])$

algorithm for Ω_∞^w is the same as for non-robust Ω_∞ , but with $\text{pre} \rightarrow \text{pre}^w$; algorithm for Ω_e^w doesn't exist..?

- robust control invariant set under const. control law: C_k^w analog to non-robust C_k

- robust "open-loop" MPC (find trajectories U that are rec. feasible for any noise w) (often unfeasible problem)

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_U \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} l(x_i, u_i) + l_f(x_N) \\ \text{subj.to: } & x_{i+1} = Ax_i + Bu_i \\ & x_i \in X \ominus (W \oplus AW \oplus \dots \oplus A^{i-1}W) \\ & u_i \in U \\ & x_N \in X_f \ominus (W \oplus AW \oplus \dots \oplus A^{N-1}W) \end{aligned}$$

shrink allowable X of no-noise system at every step such that noisy system is guaranteed to be in original X at every step!
(e.g.: $l = x_i^T Q x_i + u_i^T R u_i$; $l_f = x_N^T P_{\infty} x_N$; $X_f = C_{F_{\infty}}^w$)

- tube MPC ("closed loop") (include a simple stabilizer in optim. prob.) (less often unfeasible)

(real) noisy system: $x_{i+1} = Ax_i + Bu_i + w_i$ (fake) noiseless system: $z_i: \text{state} \hat{=} x_i$ pick stabilizer: (U s.t. x is pulled to z)
 $z_{i+1} = Az_i + Bv_i$ $v_i: \text{input} \hat{=} u_i$ $u_i = v_i + K(x_i - z_i) = v_i + Ke_i$ (K : some matrix)

↪ state error: → state error dynamics:

$$e_i = x_i - z_i \quad e_{i+1} = x_{i+1} - z_{i+1} = \dots = (A + BK)e_i + w_i$$

→ concept: run optim. problem with noiseless system, but:

- always leave enough buffer for X to fit worst state error \mathcal{E}
 $x_i \in z_i \oplus \mathcal{E} \subseteq X \rightarrow z_i \in X \ominus \mathcal{E}$
- always leave control authority to run stabilizer for error \mathcal{E}
 $u_i \in v_i \oplus KE \subseteq U \rightarrow v_i \in U \ominus KE$

$$\min_U \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} l(z_i, v_i) + l_f(z_N)$$

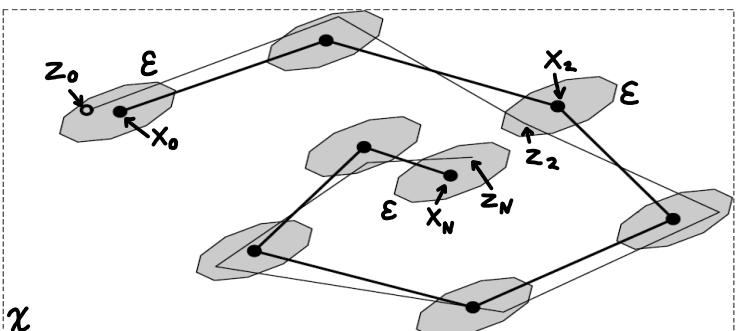
subj.to: $z_{i+1} = Az_i + Bv_i$; $z_i \in X \ominus \mathcal{E}$; $z_N \in X_f \ominus \mathcal{E}$
 $v_i \in U \ominus KE$; $z_0 \in X_0 \oplus \mathcal{E}$

$$\hookrightarrow U_0^* = V_0^* + K(x_0 - z_0^*)$$

$$(e.g. l = z^T Q z + v^T R v; l_f = z^T F_{\infty} z; X_f = C_{F_{\infty}}^w; K = F_{\infty})$$

minimum robust invariant state error \mathcal{E} : ($e \in \mathcal{E}$ always)
 $e_0 = 0 \rightarrow e_1 = w_1 \in W \rightarrow e_i = \dots \in W \oplus (A+BK)W \oplus \dots \oplus (A+BK)^{i-1}W$
 $\hookrightarrow e_{\infty} \in \mathcal{E} = W \oplus (A+BK)W \oplus \dots \oplus (A+BK)^{\infty}W$

algorithm for \mathcal{E} : $\Omega_0 = \{\bar{e}\}$ \mathcal{E} with range $W = [a, b]$:
 $\Omega_{i+1} = \Omega_i \oplus (A+BK)^i W$ $\mathcal{E} = [a, b] \cdot \frac{1}{1-(A+BK)}$
if $\Omega_{i+1} = \Omega_i$; return $\mathcal{E} = \Omega_i$



- recursive feasibility: ✓ (same argument as non-robust MPC)

- recursive stability: ✓ state x will stay in \mathcal{E} around equilibrium for $t \rightarrow \infty$ (same argument as non-robust MPC)

- nominal MPC (use normal MPC and ignore noise even though it's there)

- recursive feasibility: ✗ no guarantees on constraint satisfaction can be made!

- recursive stability: ~ state can sometimes be shown to converge to some set Ω (not in this course)

Extensions

- solution methods for optimization problem: see convex optimization lecture
- hybrid MPC: add discrete dynamics (e.g. mode switches) to MPC problem
- nonlinear MPC: nonlinear systems, nonlinear constraints, non-convex optimization, etc.

MPC requirements (ordered for importance)

- 1) satisfy constraints: $x(k) \in \mathcal{X}, u(k) \in \mathcal{U} \quad \forall k$
- 2) is stable: $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x(k) = 0$
- 3) optimize "performance"
- 4) maximize set of possible $x(0)$

Usefull set theory

- Minkowski sum \oplus :

$$A \oplus B = \{x+y | x \in A, y \in B\}$$

$$\text{range: } [a,b] \oplus [c,d] = [a+c, b+d]$$



- Pontryagin difference \ominus :

$$A \ominus B = \{x | x + e \in A \quad \forall e \in B\}$$

$$\text{range: } [a,b] \ominus [c,d] = [a-c, b-d]$$



- set intersection \cap :

$$A \cap B = \{x | x \in A \text{ and } x \in B\}$$

$$\text{halfspaces: } \{x | Ax \leq a\} \cap \{x | Bx \leq b\} = \{x | \begin{bmatrix} A \\ B \end{bmatrix}x \leq \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}\}$$

$$\text{ranges: } [a,b] \cap [c,d] = [\max(a,c), \min(b,d)]$$



- set equality =:

$$x \in A \text{ iff. } x \in B \rightarrow A = B \text{ (equivalent to } A \subseteq B \text{ AND } B \subseteq A)$$

$$\text{ranges: } [a,b] = [c,d] \text{ iff. } a=c \text{ and } c=d$$



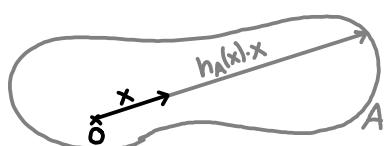
- support function:

$$h_A(x) = \sup \{x \cdot a | a \in A\} = \max_a x \cdot a \text{ subj.to: } a \in A$$

$$\text{ellipsoid: } A = \{x | x^T P x \leq \alpha\} \rightarrow h_A(x) = \|P^{-0.5} x\|_2 \cdot \sqrt{\alpha}$$

$$\text{halfspace: } A = \{x | a^T x \leq b\} \rightarrow h_A(x) = b / a^T x$$

$$\text{range: } A = [a,b] \rightarrow h_A(x) = \text{if } x > 0: x \cdot b \text{ else: } -x \cdot a$$



Usefull other math

- vector derivatives:

$$\nabla_x x^T A x = 2 A x \quad ; \quad \nabla_x a^T x = \nabla_x x^T a = a \quad ; \quad \nabla_x a = 0$$

- geometric series sum:

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a x^k = a / (1-x) \quad (\sum_{k=0}^n a x^k = a \cdot 1 - x^{n+1} / 1-x)$$

- quadratic equation:

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0 \rightarrow x_{1,2} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$