
OPTIMAL CONTROL

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1 Optimal Control Introduction

1.1 Deterministic Finite-Dimensional Continuous-Time Problem

$$\inf_{u \in \mathcal{U}} J(u; t_0, t_f, X_0) \equiv K(t_f, X_f) + \int_{t_0}^{t_f} L(s, X_s, u_s) ds \quad (1)$$

$$dX_t \equiv f(t, X_t, u_t) dt \quad X_0 \in \mathbb{R}^m \quad (2)$$

$$\psi(t, X_t, u_t) = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^l, \quad \forall t \in [t_0, t_f] \quad (3)$$

$$\phi(t_f, X_f, u_t) \leq 0 \in \mathbb{R}^k, \quad \forall t \in [t_0, t_f] \quad (4)$$

1.2 Definitions

Summary. Fundamental definitions

1. Metric Space: (M, d)
2. Inner Product Induced Metric: $(M, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$
3. Topology: $\mathcal{T} \equiv (A_i)$
4. Open & Closed Sets: A, A^c
5. Open & Closed Balls: $B(x, \epsilon; d), \bar{B}(x, \epsilon; d)$
6. Metric Topology: $\mathcal{T}(M)$
7. Set Closure: \bar{A}
8. Set Interior: A°
9. Open Neighborhood: $A \subseteq M$

Definition 1.1: Metric Space

Defining

- (M, d) : a metric space
- M : a set with topology induced by d
- $d : M \times M \rightarrow [0, \infty)$

Then

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| 1. $d(x, y) = d(y, x) \quad \forall x, y \in M$ | Symmetric |
| 2. $d(x, x) = 0 \quad \forall x \in M$ | |
| 3. $d(x, y) > 0, \quad \forall x, y \in M, x \neq y$ | Non-Negative |
| 4. $d(x, y) \leq d(x, z) + d(z, y) \quad \forall x, y, z \in M$ | Triangle Inequality |

Definition 1.2: Inner Product Induced Metric

Defining

- $(M, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$: an inner product space
- M : a vector space
- $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$: an inner product

This induces the metric

$$d(x, y) = |x - y| \equiv \langle x - y, x - y \rangle^{1/2}, \quad \forall x, y \in M \quad (5)$$

Definition 1.3: Topology

Defining

- $\mathcal{T} \equiv (A_i)$: a collection of subsets of M

\mathcal{T} forms a topology for M if the following hold

1. $M, \emptyset \in \mathcal{T}$
2. If $(E_i) \subseteq \mathcal{T}$ is a countable collection
3. If $(E_i) \subseteq \mathcal{T}$ is a finite collection

Definition 1.4: Open & Closed Sets

- Open Set: elements of a topology (i.e., $A \in \mathcal{T}$)
- Closed Set: complement of an open set (i.e., A^c)

Definition 1.5: Open & Closed Balls

Defining

- (M, d) : a metric space
- $\epsilon > 0$: Radius
- $x \in M$: Center

Open and closed balls are defined as

1. Open Ball: $B(x, \epsilon; d) \equiv \{y \in M | d(x, y) < \epsilon\}$
2. Closed Ball: $\bar{B}(x, \epsilon; d) \equiv \{y \in M | d(x, y) \leq \epsilon\}$

Definition 1.6: Metric Topology

Given

- (M, d) : a metric space

The metric can induce a topology by considering a collection of open balls.

Example 1.6.1: Borel Topology

- standard topology on \mathbb{R}^m
- all open balls centered at rational numbers \mathbb{Q}
- radius is positive rational

Definition 1.7: Set Closure

Given

- $A \subseteq M$: a subset of a metric space
- D_i : collection of all closed sets that contain A
- $\bar{A} \supseteq A$: the closure of A

Closure is defined as

$$\bar{A} \equiv \bigcap_i D_i \quad (6)$$

Remark. In Borel topology, isolated points are closed

Definition 1.8: Set Interior

Given

- $A \subseteq M$: a subset of a metric space
- E_i : collection of all open sets that contain A
- $A^\circ \subseteq A$: the interior of A

The interior is defined as

$$A^\circ \equiv \bigcup_i E_i \quad (7)$$

Definition 1.9: Open Neighborhood

Given

- $x \in M$: a point in a metric space
- $\mathcal{T}(M)$: the topology of M

$A \subseteq M$ is an open neighborhood of x if

- $x \in A$
- $A \in \mathcal{T}(M)$

Remark. The neighborhood is implied to be small, with motivation from metric topology implying that A looks like a small open ball centered at x .

2 Parameter Optimization Conditions

2.1 Defining Optimality

Summary. Defining local and global minimum on a metric space for a cost function

1. Local minimum
2. Global minimum
3. Local minimum; (\mathbb{R}, d) : Local minimum in standard 1D metric space
4. Global minimum; (\mathbb{R}, d) : Global minimum in standard 1D metric space
5. Extremum

2.2 Unconstrained Smooth Parameter Optimization

Summary. Deriving optimality conditions in Euclidean space \mathbb{R}^n

Definitions:

1. Continuously Bounded Differentiable Function
2. Compact Set
3. Stationary Point
4. Unit Sphere
5. Hessian Matrix

Theorems:

1. Heine-Borel Property
2. Weierstrass Extreme Value
3. First Order Necessary Condition; (\mathbb{R}, d)
4. Taylor's Formula; Using Lagrange Form of the Mean-Value of the Remainder
5. Second Order Necessary Condition; (\mathbb{R}, d)
6. Second Order Sufficient Condition; (\mathbb{R}, d)
7. First Order Necessary Condition; (\mathbb{R}^n, d)