```
In [1]: import Pkg
    Pkg.activate(@__DIR__)
    Pkg.instantiate()
    using LinearAlgebra, Plots
    import ForwardDiff as FD
    using Test
    import Convex as cvx
    import ECOS
    using Random
```

Activating environment at `/home/sman/Work/CMU/Courses/OCRL/OCRL2024/HW/HW2
\_S24/Project.toml`

#### Note:

Some of the cells below will have multiple outputs (plots and animations), it can be easier to see everything if you do Cell -> All Output -> Toggle Scrolling, so that it simply expands the output area to match the size of the outputs.

### **Julia Warnings:**

- 1. For a function foo(x::Vector) with 1 input argument, it is not neccessary to do  $df_dx = FD.jacobian(_x -> foo(_x), x)$ . Instead you can just do  $df_dx = FD.jacobian(foo, x)$ . If you do the first one, it can dramatically slow down your compliation time.
- 2. Do not define functions inside of other functions like this:

```
function foo(x)
# main function foo

function body(x)
     # function inside function (DON'T DO THIS)
    return 2*x
end

return body(x)
end
```

This will also slow down your compilation time dramatically.

# Q1: Finite-Horizon LQR (55 pts)

For this problem we are going to consider a "double integrator" for our dynamics model. This system has a state  $x \in \mathbb{R}^4$ , and control  $u \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , where the state describes the 2D position p and velocity v of an object, and the control is the acceleration a of this object. The state and control are the following:

$$x = [p_1, p_2, v_1, v_2] \ u = [a_1, a_2]$$

And the continuous time dynamics for this system are the following:

$$\dot{x} = egin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x + egin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \ 0 & 0 \ 1 & 0 \ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} u$$

## Part A: Discretize the model (5 pts)

Use the matrix exponential (exp in Julia) to discretize the continuous time model assuming we have a zero-order hold on the control. See <a href="mailto:this:mail

```
In [2]: | # double integrator dynamics
        function double_integrator_AB(dt)::Tuple{Matrix,Matrix}
             Ac = [0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0]
                   0 0 0 1;
                   0 0 0 0;
                   0 0 0 0.]
             Bc = [0 \ 0;
                   0 0;
                   1 0;
                   0 1]
             nx, nu = size(Bc)
             # TODO: discretize this linear system using the Matrix Exponential
             A = zeros(nx,nx) # TODO
             B = zeros(nx,nu) # TODO
            Dc = zeros(nx+nu, nx+nu)
             Dc[1:nx,1:(nx+nu)] = [Ac Bc]
             Dd = exp(Dc*dt)
             A = Dd[1:nx,1:nx]
             B = Dd[1:nx,(nx+1):(nx+nu)]
             @assert size(A) == (nx,nx)
             @assert size(B) == (nx,nu)
             return A, B
        end
```

double\_integrator\_AB (generic function with 1 method)

```
Test Summary: | Pass Total discrete time dynamics | 1 1
```

Test.DefaultTestSet("discrete time dynamics", Any[], 1, false, false)

### Part B: Finite Horizon LQR via Convex Optimization (15 pts)

We are now going to solve the finite horizon LQR problem with convex optimization. As we went over in class, this problem requires  $Q \in S_+$  (Q is symmetric positive semi-definite) and  $R \in S_{++}$  (R is symmetric positive definite). With this, the optimization problem can be stated as the following:

$$egin{aligned} \min_{x_{1:N},u_{1:N-1}} & \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \left[rac{1}{2}x_i^TQx_i + rac{1}{2}u_i^TRu_i
ight] + rac{1}{2}x_N^TQ_fx_N \ & ext{st} & x_1 = x_{ ext{IC}} \ & x_{i+1} = Ax_i + Bu_i & ext{for } i = 1,2,\dots,N-1 \end{aligned}$$

This problem is a convex optimization problem since the cost function is a convex quadratic and the constraints are all linear equality constraints. We will setup and solve this exact problem using the Convex.jl modeling package. (See 2/16 Recitation video for help with this package. Notebook is here (https://github.com/Optimal-Control-16-745/recitations/blob/main/2\_17\_recitation/Convex.jl\_tutorial.ipynb).) Your job in the block below is to fill out a function Xcvx,Ucvx = convex\_trajopt(A,B,Q,R,Qf,N,x\_ic), where you will form and solve the above optimization problem.

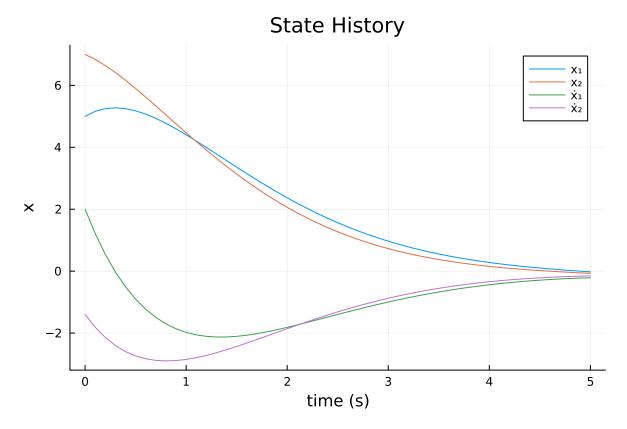
```
In [4]: # utilities for converting to and from vector of vectors <-> matrix
        function mat from vec(X::Vector{Vector{Float64}})::Matrix
            # convert a vector of vectors to a matrix
            Xm = hcat(X...)
            return Xm
        function vec from mat(Xm::Matrix)::Vector{Vector{Float64}}
            # convert a matrix into a vector of vectors
            X = [Xm[:,i]  for i = 1:size(Xm,2)]
            return X
        end
        0.00
        X,U = convex_trajopt(A,B,Q,R,Qf,N,x_ic; verbose = false)
        This function takes in a dynamics model x_{k+1} = A*x_k + B*u_k
        and LQR cost Q,R,Qf, with a horizon size N, and initial condition
        x ic, and returns the optimal X and U's from the above optimization
        problem. You should use the `vec from mat` function to convert the
        solution matrices from cvx into vectors of vectors (vec_from_mat(X.value))
       x_ic::Vector; # initial condition
                               verbose = false
                               )::Tuple{Vector{Vector{Float64}}, Vector{Vector{Float6
        4}}}
            # check sizes of everything
            nx,nu = size(B)
            @assert size(A) == (nx, nx)
            @assert size(Q) == (nx, nx)
            @assert size(R) == (nu, nu)
            @assert size(Qf) == (nx, nx)
            @assert length(x_ic) == nx
            # TODO:
            # create cvx variables where each column is a time step
            # hint: x k = X[:,k], u k = U[:,k]
            X = cvx.Variable(nx, N)
            U = cvx.Variable(nu, N - 1)
            # create cost
            # hint: you can't do x'*Q*x in Convex.jl, you must do cvx.quadform(x,Q)
            # hint: add all of your cost terms to `cost`
            cost = 0
            for k = 1:(N-1)
                # add stagewise cost
                cost += 1/2*cvx.quadform(X[:,k],Q) + 1/2*cvx.quadform(U[:,k],R)
            end
```

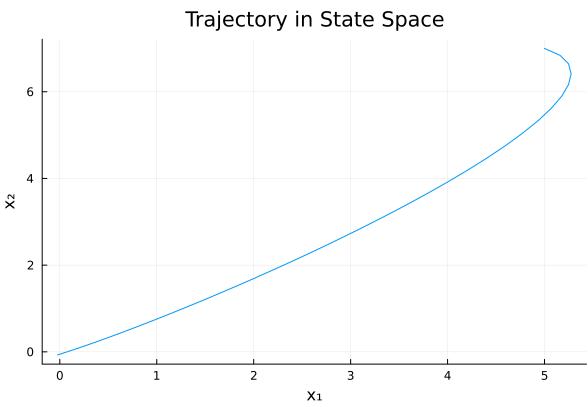
```
# add terminal cost
   cost += 1/2*cvx.quadform(X[:,N],Qf)
   # initialize cvx problem
   prob = cvx.minimize(cost)
   # TODO: initial condition constraint
   # hint: you can add constraints to our problem like this:
   # prob.constraints += (Gz == h)
   prob.constraints += (X[:,1] == x ic)
   for k = 1:(N-1)
        # dynamics constraints
        prob.constraints += (X[:,k+1] == A * X[:,k] + B * U[:,k])
    end
   # solve problem (silent solver tells us the output)
   cvx.solve!(prob, ECOS.Optimizer; silent_solver = !verbose)
   if prob.status != cvx.MathOptInterface.OPTIMAL
        error("Convex.jl problem failed to solve for some reason")
    end
   # convert the solution matrices into vectors of vectors
   X = vec from mat(X.value)
   U = vec from mat(U.value)
    return X, U
end
```

convex\_trajopt

Now let's solve this problem for a given initial condition, and simulate it to see how it does:

```
In [15]: @testset "LQR via Convex.jl" begin
             # problem setup stuff
             dt = 0.1
             tf = 5.0
             t vec = 0:dt:tf
             N = length(t_vec)
             A,B = double integrator AB(dt)
             nx,nu = size(B)
             Q = diagm(ones(nx))
             R = diagm(ones(nu))
             Qf = 5*Q
             # initial condition
             x_{ic} = [5,7,2,-1.4]
             # setup and solve our convex optimization problem (verbose = true for subm
         ission)
             Xcvx,Ucvx = convex_trajopt(A,B,Q,R,Qf,N,x_ic; verbose = true)
             # TODO: simulate with the dynamics with control Ucvx, storing the
             # state in Xsim
             # initial condition
             Xsim = [zeros(nx) for i = 1:N]
             Xsim[1] = 1*x_ic
             # TODO dynamics simulation
             for ii = 2:N
                 Xsim[ii] = A * Xsim[ii-1] + B * Ucvx[ii-1]
             end
             @test length(Xsim) == N
             @test norm(Xsim[end])>1e-13
             #-----plotting-----
             Xsim_m = mat_from_vec(Xsim)
             # plot state history
             display(plot(t_vec, Xsim_m', label = ["x_1" "x_2" "\dot{x}_1" "\dot{x}_2"],
                         title = "State History",
                         xlabel = "time (s)", ylabel = "x"))
             # plot trajectory in x1 x2 space
             display(plot(Xsim_m[1,:],Xsim_m[2,:],
                         title = "Trajectory in State Space",
                         ylabel = "x_2", xlabel = "x_1", label = ""))
             # tests
             @test 1e-14 < maximum(norm.(Xsim .- Xcvx,Inf)) < 1e-3</pre>
             @test isapprox(Ucvx[1], [-7.8532442316767, -4.127120137234], atol = 1e-3)
             @test isapprox(Xcvx[end], [-0.02285990, -0.07140241, -0.21259, -0.154029
         9], atol = 1e-3)
             @test 1e-14 < norm(Xcvx[end] - Xsim[end]) < 1e-3</pre>
         end
```





Test Summary: | Pass Total LQR via Convex.jl | 6 6

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Test.DefaultTestSet("LQR via Convex.jl", Any[], 6, false, false)

#### **Bellman's Principle of Optimality**

Now we will test Bellman's Principle of optimality. This can be phrased in many different ways, but the main gist is that any section of an optimal trajectory must be optimal. Our original optimization problem was the above problem:

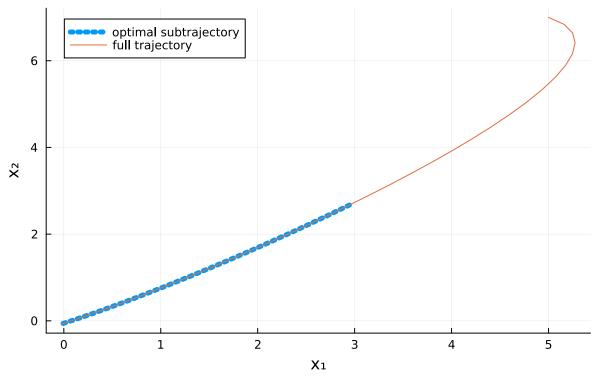
$$egin{aligned} \min_{x_{1:N},u_{1:N-1}} & \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \left[ rac{1}{2} x_i^T Q x_i + rac{1}{2} u_i^T R u_i 
ight] + rac{1}{2} x_N^T Q_f x_N \ & ext{st} & x_1 = x_{ ext{IC}} \ & x_{i+1} = A x_i + B u_i & ext{for } i = 1,2,\dots,N-1 \end{aligned}$$

 $x_{i+1} = Ax_i + Bu_i \quad \text{for } i=1,2,\dots,N-1$  which has a solution  $x_{1:N}^*, u_{1:N-1}^*$ . Now let's look at optimizing over a subsection of this trajectory. That means that instead of solving for  $x_{1:N}, u_{1:N-1}$ , we are now solving for  $x_{L:N}, u_{L:N-1}$  for some new timestep 1 < L < N. What we are going to do is take the initial condition from  $x_L^*$  from our original optimization problem, and setup a new optimization problem that optimizes over  $x_{L:N}, u_{L:N-1}$ :

$$egin{aligned} \min_{x_{L:N},u_{L:N-1}} && \sum_{i=L}^{N-1} \left[rac{1}{2}x_i^TQx_i + rac{1}{2}u_i^TRu_i
ight] + rac{1}{2}x_N^TQ_fx_N \ & ext{st} && x_L = x_L^* \ && x_{i+1} = Ax_i + Bu_i & ext{for } i = L, L+1, \ldots, N-1 \end{aligned}$$

```
In [6]: @testset "Bellman's Principle of Optimality" begin
            # problem setup
            dt = 0.1
            tf = 5.0
            t_vec = 0:dt:tf
            N = length(t_vec)
            A,B = double integrator AB(dt)
            nx,nu = size(B)
            x0 = [5,7,2,-1.4] # initial condition
            Q = diagm(ones(nx))
            R = diagm(ones(nu))
            Qf = 5*Q
            # solve for X_{1:N}, U_{1:N-1} with convex optimization
            Xcvx1,Ucvx1 = convex_trajopt(A,B,Q,R,Qf,N,x0; verbose = false)
            # now let's solve a subsection of this trajectory
            L = 18
            N 2 = N - L + 1
            # here is our updated initial condition from the first problem
            x0_2 = Xcvx1[L]
            Xcvx2,Ucvx2 = convex_trajopt(A,B,Q,R,Qf,N_2,x0_2; verbose = false)
            # test if these trajectories match for the times they share
            U_error = Ucvx1[L:end] .- Ucvx2
            X_error = Xcvx1[L:end] .- Xcvx2
            @test 1e-14 < maximum(norm.(U_error)) < 1e-3</pre>
            @test 1e-14 < maximum(norm.(X error)) < 1e-3</pre>
            # ------
            X1m = mat_from_vec(Xcvx1)
            X2m = mat_from_vec(Xcvx2)
            plot(X2m[1,:],X2m[2,:], label = "optimal subtrajectory", lw = 5, ls = :do
        t)
            display(plot!(X1m[1,:],X1m[2,:],
                        title = "Trajectory in State Space",
                        ylabel = "x<sub>2</sub>", xlabel = "x<sub>1</sub>", label = "full trajectory"))
            # -----plotting ------
            @test isapprox(Xcvx1[end], [-0.02285990, -0.07140241, -0.21259, -0.154029
        9], rtol = 1e-3)
            @test 1e-14 < norm(Xcvx1[end] - Xcvx2[end],Inf) < 1e-3</pre>
        end
```

## Trajectory in State Space



Test.DefaultTestSet("Bellman's Principle of Optimality", Any[], 4, false, fal
se)

## Part C: Finite-Horizon LQR via Ricatti (10 pts)

Now we are going to solve the original finite-horizon LQR problem:

$$egin{aligned} \min_{x_{1:N},u_{1:N-1}} & \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \left[ rac{1}{2} x_i^T Q x_i + rac{1}{2} u_i^T R u_i 
ight] + rac{1}{2} x_N^T Q_f x_N \ & ext{st} & x_1 = x_{ ext{IC}} \ & x_{i+1} = A x_i + B u_i & ext{for } i = 1,2,\dots,N-1 \end{aligned}$$

with a Ricatti recursion instead of convex optimization. We describe our optimal cost-to-go function (aka the Value function) as the following:

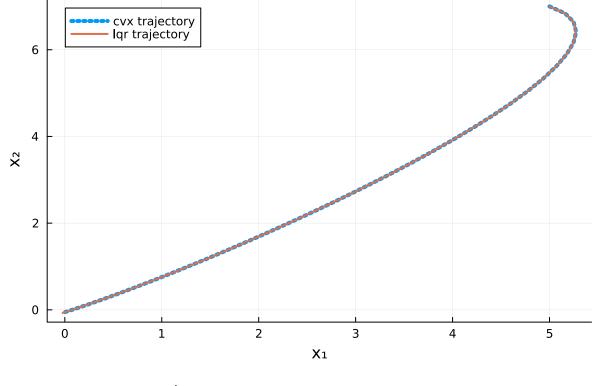
$$V_k(x) = rac{1}{2} x^T P_k x$$

```
In [7]:
        use the Ricatti recursion to calculate the cost to go quadratic matrix P and
        optimal control gain K at every time step. Return these as a vector of matrice
        where P_k = P[k], and K_k = K[k]
        function fhlqr(A::Matrix, # A matrix
                        B::Matrix, # B matrix
                        Q:::Matrix, # cost weight
                        R::Matrix, # cost weight
                        Qf::Matrix,# term cost weight
                        N::Int64 # horizon size
                        )::Tuple{Vector{Matrix{Float64}}}, Vector{Matrix{Float64}}} # re
        turn two matrices
            # check sizes of everything
            nx,nu = size(B)
            @assert size(A) == (nx, nx)
            @assert size(Q) == (nx, nx)
            @assert size(R) == (nu, nu)
            @assert size(Qf) == (nx, nx)
            # instantiate S and K
            P = [zeros(nx,nx) for i = 1:N]
            K = [zeros(nu,nx) for i = 1:N-1]
            # initialize S[N] with Qf
            P[N] = deepcopy(Qf)
            # Ricatti
            for k = (N-1):-1:1
                # TODO
                K[k] = (R + B' * P[k+1] * B) \setminus (B' * P[k+1] * A)
                P[k] = Q + A'* P[k+1] * (A - B * K[k])
            end
            return P, K
        end
```

fhlqr

```
In [8]: @testset "Convex trajopt vs LQR" begin
            # problem stuff
            dt = 0.1
            tf = 5.0
            t vec = 0:dt:tf
            N = length(t_vec)
            A,B = double integrator AB(dt)
            nx,nu = size(B)
            x0 = [5,7,2,-1.4] # initial condition
            Q = diagm(ones(nx))
            R = diagm(ones(nu))
            Qf = 5*Q
            # solve for X_{1:N}, U_{1:N-1} with convex optimization
            Xcvx,Ucvx = convex_trajopt(A,B,Q,R,Qf,N,x0; verbose = false)
            P, K = fhlqr(A,B,Q,R,Qf,N)
            # now let's simulate using Ucvx
            Xsim cvx = [zeros(nx) for i = 1:N]
            Xsim_cvx[1] = 1*x0
            Xsim_lqr = [zeros(nx) for i = 1:N]
            Xsim_lqr[1] = 1*x0
            for i = 1:N-1
                # simulate cvx control
                Xsim_cvx[i+1] = A*Xsim_cvx[i] + B*Ucvx[i]
                # TODO: use your FHLQR control gains K to calculate u_lqr
                # simulate lgr control
                u lqr = -K[i]*Xsim lqr[i]
                Xsim_lqr[i+1] = A*Xsim_lqr[i] + B*u_lqr
            end
            @test isapprox(Xsim_lqr[end], [-0.02286201, -0.0714058, -0.21259, -0.15403
        0], rtol = 1e-3)
            @test 1e-13 < norm(Xsim lqr[end] - Xsim cvx[end]) < 1e-3</pre>
            @test 1e-13 < maximum(norm.(Xsim_lqr - Xsim_cvx)) < 1e-3</pre>
            # -----plotting-----
            X1m = mat from vec(Xsim cvx)
            X2m = mat from vec(Xsim lqr)
            # plot trajectory in x1 x2 space
            plot(X1m[1,:],X1m[2,:], label = "cvx trajectory", lw = 4, ls = :dot)
            display(plot!(X2m[1,:],X2m[2,:],
                        title = "Trajectory in State Space",
                        ylabel = "x<sub>2</sub>", xlabel = "x<sub>1</sub>", lw = 2, label = "lqr trajector
        y"))
                ------
        end
```



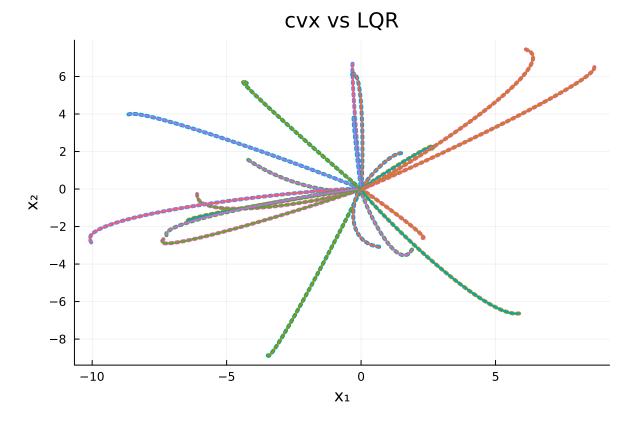


Test Summary: | Pass Total
Convex trajopt vs LQR | 3 3

Test.DefaultTestSet("Convex trajopt vs LQR", Any[], 3, false, false)

To emphasize that these two methods for solving the optimization problem result in the same solutions, we are now going to sample initial conditions and run both solutions. You will have to fill in your LQR policy again.

```
In [9]:
        import Random
        Random.seed!(1)
        @testset "Convex trajopt vs LQR" begin
            # problem stuff
            dt = 0.1
            tf = 5.0
            t vec = 0:dt:tf
            N = length(t_vec)
            A,B = double_integrator_AB(dt)
            nx,nu = size(B)
            Q = diagm(ones(nx))
            R = diagm(ones(nu))
            Qf = 5*Q
            plot()
            for ic iter = 1:20
                x0 = [5*randn(2); 1*randn(2)]
                # solve for X {1:N}, U {1:N-1} with convex optimization
                Xcvx,Ucvx = convex_trajopt(A,B,Q,R,Qf,N,x0; verbose = false)
                P, K = fhlqr(A,B,Q,R,Qf,N)
                Xsim_cvx = [zeros(nx) for i = 1:N]
                Xsim cvx[1] = 1*x0
                Xsim lqr = [zeros(nx) for i = 1:N]
                Xsim\_lqr[1] = 1*x0
                for i = 1:N-1
                    # simulate cvx control
                    Xsim_cvx[i+1] = A*Xsim_cvx[i] + B*Ucvx[i]
                    # TODO: use your FHLQR control gains K to calculate u lgr
                    # simulate lqr control
                    u lqr = -K[i]*Xsim lqr[i]
                    Xsim_lqr[i+1] = A*Xsim_lqr[i] + B*u_lqr
                end
                @test 1e-13 < norm(Xsim lqr[end] - Xsim cvx[end]) < 1e-3</pre>
                @test 1e-13 < maximum(norm.(Xsim_lqr - Xsim_cvx)) < 1e-3</pre>
                # -----plotting-----
                X1m = mat_from_vec(Xsim_cvx)
                X2m = mat_from_vec(Xsim_lqr)
                plot!(X2m[1,:],X2m[2,:], label = "", lw = 4, ls = :dot)
                plot!(X1m[1,:],X1m[2,:], label = "", lw = 2)
            display(plot!(title = "cvx vs LQR", ylabel = "x2", xlabel = "x1"))
        end
```



Test Summary: | Pass Total
Convex trajopt vs LQR | 40 40

Test.DefaultTestSet("Convex trajopt vs LQR", Any[], 40, false, false)

## Part D: Why LQR is so great (10 pts)

Now we are going to emphasize two reasons why the feedback policy from LQR is so useful:

- 1. It is robust to noise and model uncertainty (the Convex approach would require re-solving of the problem every time the new state differs from the expected state (this is MPC, more on this in Q3)
- 2. We can drive to any achievable goal state with  $u=-K(x-x_{goal})$

First we are going to look at a simulation with the following white noise:

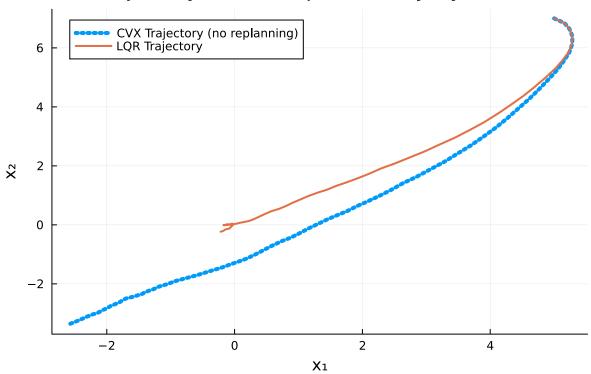
$$x_{k+1} = Ax_k + Bu_k + ext{noise}$$

Where noise  $\sim \mathcal{N}(0,\Sigma)$ .

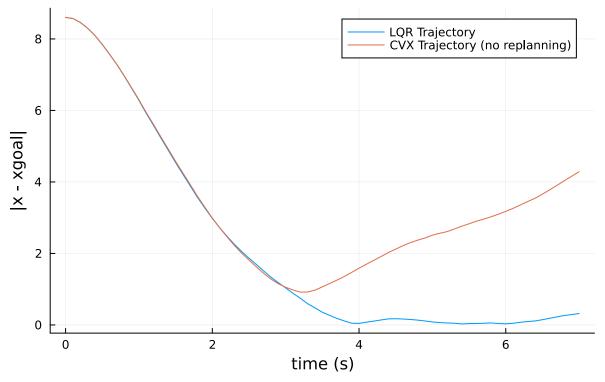
```
In [10]: @testset "Why LQR is great reason 1" begin
             # problem stuff
             dt = 0.1
             tf = 7.0
             t vec = 0:dt:tf
             N = length(t_vec)
             A,B = double integrator AB(dt)
             nx,nu = size(B)
             x0 = [5,7,2,-1.4] # initial condition
             Q = diagm(ones(nx))
             R = diagm(ones(nu))
             Qf = 10*Q
             # solve for X_{1:N}, U_{1:N-1} with convex optimization
             Xcvx,Ucvx = convex_trajopt(A,B,Q,R,Qf,N,x0; verbose = false)
             P, K = fhlqr(A,B,Q,R,Qf,N)
             # now let's simulate using Ucvx
             Xsim_cvx = [zeros(nx) for i = 1:N]
             Xsim cvx[1] = 1*x0
             Xsim_lqr = [zeros(nx) for i = 1:N]
             Xsim_lqr[1] = 1*x0
             for i = 1:N-1
                 # sampled noise to be added after each step
                 noise = [.005*randn(2);.1*randn(2)]
                 # simulate cvx control
                 Xsim_cvx[i+1] = A*Xsim_cvx[i] + B*Ucvx[i] + noise
                 # TODO: use your FHLQR control gains K to calculate u lar
                 # simulate lgr control
                 u_lqr = -K[i]*Xsim_lqr[i]
                 Xsim lqr[i+1] = A*Xsim lqr[i] + B*u lqr + noise
             end
             # make sure our LQR achieved the goal
             @test norm(Xsim cvx[end]) > norm(Xsim lqr[end])
             @test norm(Xsim_lqr[end]) < .7</pre>
             @test norm(Xsim cvx[end]) > 2.0
             # -----plotting-----
             X1m = mat from vec(Xsim cvx)
             X2m = mat_from_vec(Xsim_lqr)
             # plot trajectory in x1 x2 space
             plot(X1m[1,:],X1m[2,:], label = "CVX Trajectory (no replanning)", lw = 4,
         ls = :dot)
             display(plot!(X2m[1,:],X2m[2,:],
                          title = "Trajectory in State Space (Noisy Dynamics)",
                          ylabel = "x<sub>2</sub>", xlabel = "x<sub>1</sub>", lw = 2, label = "LQR Trajector
         y"))
             ecvx = [norm(x[1:2]) for x in Xsim_cvx]
             elqr = [norm(x[1:2]) for x in Xsim_lqr]
             plot(t_vec, elqr, label = "LQR Trajectory",ylabel = "|x - xgoal|",
                  xlabel = "time (s)", title = "Error for CVX vs LQR (Noisy Dynamics)")
             display(plot!(t_vec, ecvx, label = "CVX Trajectory (no replanning)"))
```







# Error for CVX vs LQR (Noisy Dynamics)

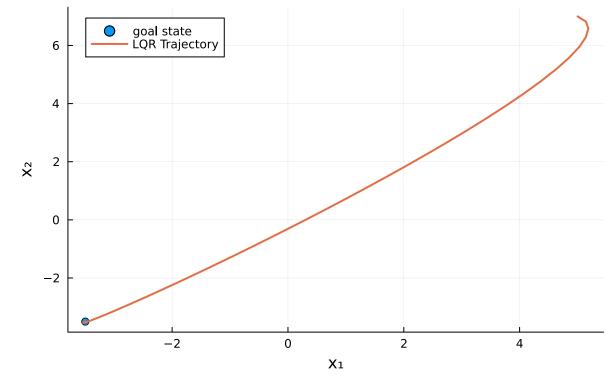


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```
In [11]: @testset "Why LQR is great reason 2" begin
             # problem stuff
             dt = 0.1
             tf = 20.0
             t vec = 0:dt:tf
             N = length(t_vec)
             A,B = double integrator AB(dt)
             nx,nu = size(B)
             x0 = [5,7,2,-1.4] # initial condition
             Q = diagm(ones(nx))
             R = diagm(ones(nu))
             Qf = 10*Q
             P, K = fhlqr(A,B,Q,R,Qf,N)
             # TODO: specify a goal state with 0 velocity within a 5m radius of 0
             xgoal = [-3.5, -3.5, 0, 0]
             @test norm(xgoal[1:2])< 5</pre>
             @test norm(xgoal[3:4])<1e-13 # ensure 0 velocity</pre>
             Xsim_lqr = [zeros(nx) for i = 1:N]
             Xsim_lqr[1] = 1*x0
             for i = 1:N-1
                 # TODO: use your FHLQR control gains K to calculate u_lqr
                 # simulate lqr control
                 u_lqr = -K[i]*(Xsim_lqr[i]-xgoal)
                 Xsim_lqr[i+1] = A*Xsim_lqr[i] + B*u_lqr
             end
             @test norm(Xsim_lqr[end][1:2] - xgoal[1:2]) < .1</pre>
             # -----plotting-----
             Xm = mat_from_vec(Xsim_lqr)
             plot(xgoal[1:1],xgoal[2:2],seriestype = :scatter, label = "goal state")
             display(plot!(Xm[1,:],Xm[2,:],
                          title = "Trajectory in State Space",
                          ylabel = "x<sub>2</sub>", xlabel = "x<sub>1</sub>", lw = 2, label = "LQR Trajector
         y"))
         end
```





Test Summary: | Pass Total Why LQR is great reason 2 | 3 3

Test.DefaultTestSet("Why LQR is great reason 2", Any[], 3, false, false)

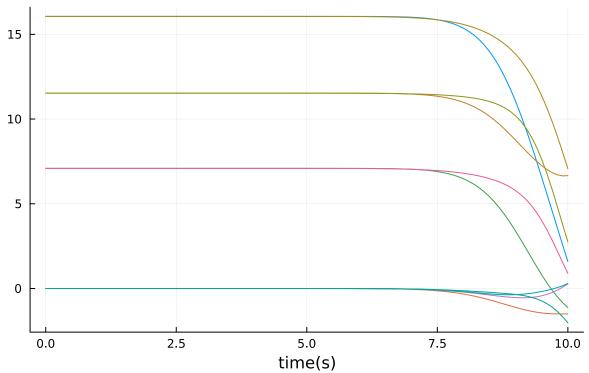
## Part E: Infinite-horizon LQR (10 pts)

Up until this point, we have looked at finite-horizon LQR which only considers a finite number of timesteps in our trajectory. When this problem is solved with a Ricatti recursion, there is a new feedback gain matrix  $K_k$  for each timestep. As the length of the trajectory increases, the first feedback gain matrix  $K_1$  will begin to converge on what we call the "infinite-horizon LQR gain". This is the value that  $K_1$  converges to as  $N \to \infty$ .

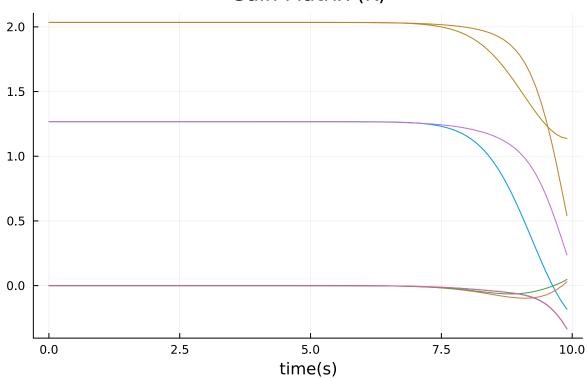
Below, we will plot the values of P and K throughout the horizon and observe this convergence.

```
In [12]: # half vectorization of a matrix
         function vech(A)
              return A[tril(trues(size(A)))]
         @testset "P and K time analysis" begin
             # problem stuff
             dt = 0.1
             tf = 10.0
             t_vec = 0:dt:tf
             N = length(t_vec)
             A,B = double_integrator_AB(dt)
             nx,nu = size(B)
             # cost terms
             Q = diagm(ones(nx))
             R = .5*diagm(ones(nu))
             Qf = randn(nx,nx); Qf = Qf'*Qf + I;
             P, K = fhlqr(A,B,Q,R,Qf,N)
             Pm = hcat(vech.(P)...)
             Km = hcat(vec.(K)...)
             # make sure these things converged
             @test 1e-13 < norm(P[1] - P[2]) < 1e-3</pre>
             @test 1e-13 < norm(K[1] - K[2]) < 1e-3</pre>
             display(plot(t_vec, Pm', label = "",title = "Cost-to-go Matrix (P)", xlabe
         1 = "time(s)")
             display(plot(t_vec[1:end-1], Km', label = "",title = "Gain Matrix (K)", xl
         abel = "time(s)"))
         end
```





# Gain Matrix (K)



Test.DefaultTestSet("P and K time analysis", Any[], 2, false, false)

Complete this infinite horizon LQR function where you do a Ricatti recursion until the cost to go matrix P converges:

$$\|P_k - P_{k+1}\| \leq ext{tol}$$

And return the steady state P and K.

```
In [13]:
          P,K = ihlqr(A,B,Q,R)
         TODO: complete this infinite horizon LQR function where
         you do the ricatti recursion until the cost to go matrix
          P converges to a steady value |P k - P \{k+1\}| \le tol
          function ihlqr(A::Matrix, # vector of A matrices
                         B::Matrix, # vector of B matrices
Q::Matrix, # cost matrix Q
                         R::Matrix; # cost matrix R
                         max_iter = 1000, # max iterations for Ricatti
                         tol = 1e-5 # convergence tolerance
                         )::Tuple{Matrix, Matrix} # return two matrices
              \# get size of x and u from B
              nx, nu = size(B)
              # initialize S with Q
              P = deepcopy(Q)
              # Ricatti
              for ricatti_iter = 1:max_iter
                  # TODO
                  K = (R + B' * P * B) \setminus (B' * P * A)
                  P \ kp1 = Q + A'* P * (A - B * K)
                  if norm(P - P_kp1) < tol</pre>
                      return P kp1, K
                  end
                  P = P kp1
              error("ihlqr did not converge")
          end
         @testset "ihlqr test" begin
              # problem stuff
              dt = 0.1
              A,B = double_integrator_AB(dt)
              nx,nu = size(B)
              # we're just going to modify the system a little bit
              # so the following graphs are still interesting
              Q = diagm(ones(nx))
              R = .5*diagm(ones(nu))
              P, K = ihlqr(A,B,Q,R)
              # check this P is in fact a solution to the Ricatti equation
              @test typeof(P) == Matrix{Float64}
              @test typeof(K) == Matrix{Float64}
              \emptysettest 1e-13 < norm(Q + K'*R*K + (A - B*K)'P*(A - B*K) - P) < 1e-3
          end
```

```
Test Summary: | Pass Total
ihlqr test | 3 3

Test.DefaultTestSet("ihlqr test", Any[], 3, false, false)
```

# Part F (5 pts): One sentence short answer

1. What is the difference between stage cost and terminal cost?

Stage cost is the cost associate with every step (of both state and input) until the terminal state, while the terminal cost is only the cost associate with the final state

1. What is a terminal cost trying to capture? (think about dynamic programming)

Terminal cost is trying to capture the optimality of the end state

1. In order to build an LQR controller for a linear system, do we need to know the initial state  $x_0$ ?

No, we just need Q, R, A, and B

1. If a linear system is uncontrollable, will the finite-horizon LQR convex optimization problem have a solution?

Yes, just not going to lead to certain goal states

```
In [1]: import Pkg
    Pkg.activate(@_DIR__)
    Pkg.instantiate()
    using LinearAlgebra, Plots
    import ForwardDiff as FD
    import MeshCat as mc
    using JLD2
    using Test
    using Random
    include(joinpath(@_DIR__,"utils/cartpole_animation.jl"))
    include(joinpath(@_DIR__,"utils/basin_of_attraction.jl"))

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    _S24/Project.toml`

plot_basin_of_attraction (generic function with 1 method)
```

#### Note:

Some of the cells below will have multiple outputs (plots and animations), it can be easier to see everything if you do Cell -> All Output -> Toggle Scrolling, so that it simply expands the output area to match the size of the outputs.

# Q2: LQR for nonlinear systems (40 pts)

#### Linearization warmup

Before we apply LQR to nonlinear systems, we are going to treat our linear system as if it's nonlinear. Specifically, we are going to "approximate" our linear system with a first-order Taylor series, and define a new set of  $(\Delta x, \Delta u)$  coordinates. Since our dynamics are linear, this approximation is exact, allowing us to check that we set up the problem correctly.

First, assume our discrete time dynamics are the following:

$$x_{k+1} = f(x_k, u_k)$$

And we are going to linearize about a reference trajectory  $\bar{x}_{1:N}, \bar{u}_{1:N-1}$ . From here, we can define our delta's accordingly:

$$egin{aligned} x_k &= ar{x}_k + \Delta x_k \ u_k &= ar{u}_k + \Delta u_k \end{aligned}$$

Next, we are going to approximate our discrete time dynamics function with the following first order Taylor series:

$$egin{split} x_{k+1} &pprox f(ar{x}_k, ar{u}_k) + iggl[rac{\partial f}{\partial x}\Big|_{ar{x}_k, ar{u}_k}iggr] (x_k - ar{x}_k) + iggl[rac{\partial f}{\partial u}\Big|_{ar{x}_k, ar{u}_k}iggr] (u_k - ar{u}_k) \end{split}$$

Which we can substitute in our delta notation to get the following:

$$ar{x}_{k+1} + \Delta x_{k+1} pprox f(ar{x}_k, ar{u}_k) + iggl[ rac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{ar{x}_k, ar{u}_k} iggr] \Delta x_k + iggl[ rac{\partial f}{\partial u} \Big|_{ar{x}_k, ar{u}_k} iggr] \Delta u_k$$

If the trajectory  $\bar{x}, \bar{u}$  is dynamically feasible (meaning  $\bar{x}_{k+1} = f(\bar{x}_k, \bar{u}_k)$ ), then we can cancel these equivalent terms on each side of the above equation, resulting in the following:

$$\Delta x_{k+1} pprox iggl[ rac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_{ar{x}_k, ar{u}_k} iggl] \Delta x_k + iggl[ rac{\partial f}{\partial u} \Big|_{ar{x}_k, ar{u}_k} iggl] \Delta u_k$$

#### **Cartpole**

We are now going to look at two different applications of LQR to the nonlinear cartpole system. Given the following description of the cartpole:



(if this image doesn't show up, check out cartpole.png)

with a cart position p and pole angle  $\theta$ . We are first going to linearize the nonlinear discrete dynamics of this system about the point where p=0, and  $\theta=0$  (no velocities), and use an infinite horizon LQR controller about this linearized state to stabilize the cartpole about this goal state. The dynamics of the cartpole are parametrized by the mass of the cart, the mass of the pole, and the length of the pole. To simulate a "sim to real gap", we are going to design our controllers around an estimated set of problem parameters params\_est , and simulate our system with a different set of problem parameters params\_real .

```
In [2]:
         continuous time dynamics for a cartpole, the state is
        x = [p, \theta, \dot{p}, \theta]
        where p is the horizontal position, and \theta is the angle
         where \theta = 0 has the pole hanging down, and \theta = 180 is up.
         The cartpole is parametrized by a cart mass `mc`, pole
         mass `mp`, and pole length `l`. These parameters are loaded
         into a `params::NamedTuple`. We are going to design the
         controller for a estimated `params_est`, and simulate with
         `params_real`.
         function dynamics(params::NamedTuple, x::Vector, u)
             # cartpole ODE, parametrized by params.
             # cartpole physical parameters
             mc, mp, l = params.mc, params.mp, params.l
             g = 9.81
             q = x[1:2]
             qd = x[3:4]
             s = sin(q[2])
             c = cos(q[2])
             H = [mc+mp mp*1*c; mp*1*c mp*1^2]
             C = [0 - mp*qd[2]*1*s; 0 0]
             G = [0, mp*g*1*s]
             B = [1, 0]
             qdd = -H \setminus (C*qd + G - B*u[1])
             return [qd;qdd]
         end
         function rk4(params::NamedTuple, x::Vector,u,dt::Float64)
             # vanilla RK4
             k1 = dt*dynamics(params, x, u)
             k2 = dt*dynamics(params, x + k1/2, u)
             k3 = dt*dynamics(params, x + k2/2, u)
             k4 = dt*dynamics(params, x + k3, u)
             x + (1/6)*(k1 + 2*k2 + 2*k3 + k4)
         end
```

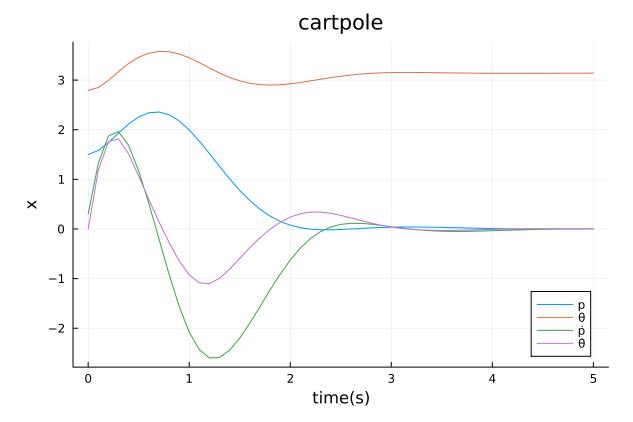
rk4 (generic function with 1 method)

### Part A: Infinite Horizon LQR about an equilibrium (10 pts)

Here we are going to solve for the infinite horizon LQR gain, and use it to stabilize the cartpole about the unstable equilibrium.

```
In [3]: @testset "LQR about eq" begin
            # states and control sizes
            nx = 4
            nu = 1
            # desired x and g (linearize about these)
            xgoal = [0, pi, 0, 0]
            ugoal = [0]
            # initial condition (slightly off of our linearization point)
            x0 = [0, pi, 0, 0] + [1.5, deg2rad(-20), .3, 0]
            # simulation size
            dt = 0.1
            tf = 5.0
            t vec = 0:dt:tf
            N = length(t vec)
            X = [zeros(nx) for i = 1:N]
            X[1] = x0
            # estimated parameters (design our controller with these)
            params_est = (mc = 1.0, mp = 0.2, 1 = 0.5)
            # real paremeters (simulate our system with these)
            params_real = (mc = 1.2, mp = 0.16, l = 0.55)
            # TODO: solve for the infinite horizon LQR gain Kinf
            # cost terms
            Q = diagm([1,1,.05,.1])
            R = 0.1*diagm(ones(nu))
            Kinf = zeros(1,4)
            P = deepcopy(Q)
            tol = 1e-5
            x_linearize = xgoal
            u linearize = 0
            Ac = FD.jacobian(_x -> dynamics(params_est, _x, u_linearize), x_linearize)
            Bc = FD.derivative( u -> dynamics(params est, x linearize, u), u lineariz
        e)
            Dc = zeros(nx+nu,nx+nu)
            Dc[1:nx, 1:nx+nu] = [Ac Bc]
            Dd = exp(Dc*dt)
            A, B = (Dd[1:nx, 1:nx], Dd[1:nx, (nx+1):(nx+nu)])
            for ricatti_iter = 1:1000
                K = (R + B' * P * B) \setminus (B' * P * A)
                 P kp1 = Q + A'* P * (A - B * K)
                 if norm(P - P_kp1) < tol</pre>
                     Kinf = K
                     break
```

```
end
        P = P_kp1
    end
    # TODO: simulate this controlled system with rk4(params_real, ...)
    for ii = 2:N
        X[ii] = rk4(params_real, X[ii-1], -Kinf*(X[ii-1]-xgoal), dt)
    end
    # -----tests and plots/animations-----
   @test X[1] == x0
   @test norm(X[end])>0
   @test norm(X[end] - xgoal) < 0.1</pre>
   Xm = hcat(X...)
    display(plot(t_vec,Xm',title = "cartpole",
                xlabel = "time(s)", ylabel = "x",
                label = ["p" "\dot{\theta}" "\dot{p}" "\dot{\theta}"]))
    # animation stuff
    display(animate_cartpole(X, dt))
    # -----tests and plots/animations-----
end
```



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```

### Part B: Infinite horizon LQR basin of attraction (5 pts)

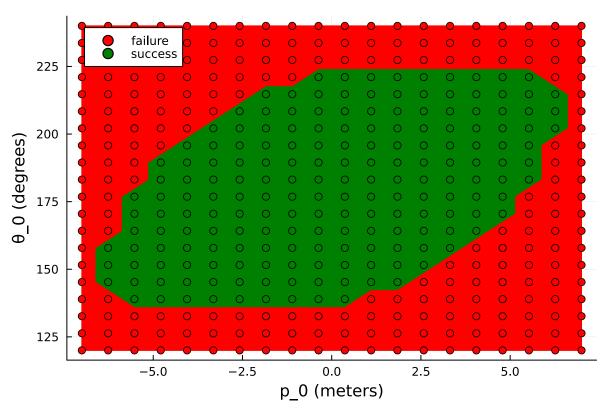
In part A we built a controller for the cartpole that was based on a linearized version of the system dynamics. This linearization took place at the (xgoal, ugoal), so we should only really expect this model to be accurate if we are close to this linearization point (think small angle approximation). As we get further from the goal state, our linearized model is less and less accurate, making the performance of our controller suffer. At a certain point, the controller is unable to stabilize the cartpole due to this model mismatch.

To demonstrate this, you are now being asked to take the same controller you used above, and try it for a range of initial conditions. For each of these simulations, you will determine if the controller was able to stabilize the cartpole. From here, you will plot the successes and failures on a plot and visualize a "basin of attraction", that is, a region of the state space where we expect our controller to stabilize the system.

```
In [4]: | function create_initial_conditions()
             # create a span of initial configurations
            M = 20
            ps = LinRange(-7, 7, M)
            thetas = LinRange(deg2rad(180-60), deg2rad(180+60), M)
            initial_conditions = []
            for p in ps
                 for theta in thetas
                     push!(initial conditions, [p, theta, 0, 0.0])
                 end
            end
             return initial_conditions, ps, thetas
        end
        function check_simulation_convergence(params_real, initial_condition, Kinf, xg
        oal, N, dt)
            args
                 params_real: named tuple with model dynamics parametesr
                 initial_condition: X0, length 4 vector
                 Kinf: IHLQR feedback gain
                 xgoal: desired state, length 4 vector
                 N: number of simulation steps
                 dt: time between steps
            return
                is_controlled: bool
            nx = 4
            xgoal = [0, pi, 0, 0]
            X = [zeros(nx) for i = 1:N]
            x0 = 1 * initial condition
            X[1] = x0
            is controlled = false
            # TODO: simulate the closed-loop (controlled) cartpole starting at the ini
        tial condition
            # for some of the unstable initial conditions, the integrator will "blow u
        p", in order to
            # catch these errors, you can stop the sim and return is_controlled = fals
        e if norm(x) > 100
            # you should consider the simulation to have been successfuly controlled i
        f the
            # L2 norm of |xfinal - xgoal| < 0.1. (norm(xfinal-xgoal) < 0.1 in Julia)
            for ii = 2:N
                 X[ii] = rk4(params_real, X[ii-1], -Kinf*(X[ii-1]-xgoal), dt)
                 if norm(X[ii]) > 100
                     return is_controlled
```

```
end
    end
    is controlled = (norm(X[end]-xgoal)) < 0.1
    return is_controlled
end
let
    nx = 4
    nu = 1
    xgoal = [0, pi, 0, 0]
    ugoal = [0]
    dt = 0.1
    tf = 5.0
    t vec = 0:dt:tf
    N = length(t_vec)
    # estimated parameters (design our controller with these)
    params_est = (mc = 1.0, mp = 0.2, 1 = 0.5)
    # real paremeters (simulate our system with these)
    params_real = (mc = 1.2, mp = 0.16, l = 0.55)
    # TODO: solve for the infinite horizon LQR gain Kinf
    # this is the same controller as part B
    # cost terms
    Q = diagm([1,1,.05,.1])
    R = 0.1*diagm(ones(nu))
    Kinf = zeros(1,4)
    P = deepcopy(Q)
    tol = 1e-5
    x_linearize = xgoal
    u linearize = 0
    Ac = FD.jacobian(_x -> dynamics(params_est, _x, u_linearize), x_linearize)
    Bc = FD.derivative(_u -> dynamics(params_est, x_linearize, _u), u_lineariz
e)
    Dc = zeros(nx+nu,nx+nu)
    Dc[1:nx, 1:nx+nu] = [Ac Bc]
    Dd = exp(Dc*dt)
    A, B = (Dd[1:nx, 1:nx], Dd[1:nx, (nx+1):(nx+nu)])
    for ricatti_iter = 1:1000
        K = (R + B' * P * B) \setminus (B' * P * A)
        P \ kp1 = Q + A'* P * (A - B * K)
        if norm(P - P_kp1) < tol</pre>
            Kinf = K
            break
        end
```

```
P = P_kp1
    end
    # create the set of initial conditions we want to test for convergence
    initial_conditions, ps, thetas = create_initial_conditions()
    convergence_list = []
    for initial condition in initial conditions
        convergence = check_simulation_convergence(params_real,
                                                   initial condition,
                                                   Kinf, xgoal, N, dt)
        push!(convergence_list, convergence)
    end
    plot_basin_of_attraction(initial_conditions, convergence_list, ps, rad2de
g.(thetas))
    # -----tests-----
    @test sum(convergence_list) < 190</pre>
   @test sum(convergence_list) > 180
   @test length(convergence_list) == 400
    @test length(initial_conditions) == 400
end
```



### Part C: Infinite horizon LQR cost tuning (5 pts)

We are now going to tune the LQR cost to satisfy our following performance requirement:

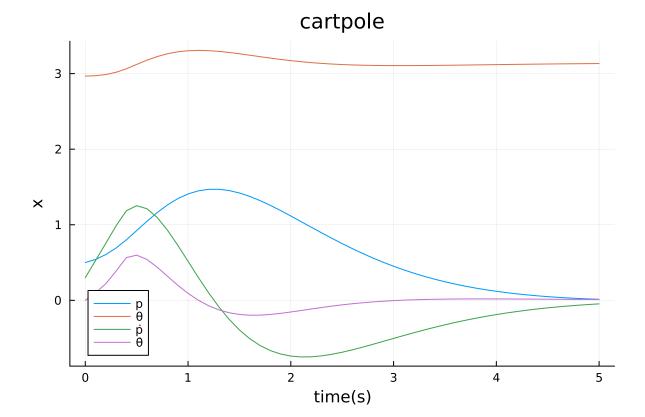
$$\|x(5.0) - x_{
m goal}\|_2 = \mathsf{norm}(\mathsf{X[N]}$$
 -  $\mathsf{xgoal})$  < 0.1

which says that the L2 norm of the state at 5 seconds (last timestep in our simulation) should be less than 0.1. We are also going to have to deal with the following actuator limits:  $-3 \le u \le 3$ . You won't be able to directly reason about this actuator limit in our LQR controller, but we can tune our cost function to avoid saturating the actuators (reaching the actuator limits) for too long. Here are our suggestions for tuning successfully:

- 1. First, adjust the values in Q and R to find a controller that stabilizes the cartpole. The key here is tuning our cost to keep the control away from the actuator limits for too long.
- 2. Now that you can stabilize the system, the next step is to tune the values in Q and R accomplish our performance goal of norm(X[N] xgoal) < 0.1. Think about the individual values in Q, and which states we really want to penalize. The positions  $(p, \theta)$  should be penalized differently than the velocities  $(\dot{p}, \dot{\theta})$ .

```
In [5]: @testset "LQR about eq" begin
            # states and control sizes
            nx = 4
            nu = 1
            # desired x and g (linearize about these)
            xgoal = [0, pi, 0, 0]
            ugoal = [0]
            # initial condition (slightly off of our linearization point)
            x0 = [0, pi, 0, 0] + [0.5, deg2rad(-10), .3, 0]
            # simulation size
            dt = 0.1
            tf = 5.0
            t vec = 0:dt:tf
            N = length(t vec)
            X = [zeros(nx) for i = 1:N]
            X[1] = x0
            # estimated parameters (design our controller with these)
            params_est = (mc = 1.0, mp = 0.2, 1 = 0.5)
            # real paremeters (simulate our system with these)
            params_real = (mc = 1.2, mp = 0.16, l = 0.55)
            # TODO: solve for the infinite horizon LQR gain Kinf
            # cost terms
            Q = diagm([10,10,1,10])
            R = 10*diagm(ones(nu))
            Kinf = zeros(1,4)
            P = deepcopy(Q)
            tol = 1e-5
            x linearize = xgoal
            u_linearize = 0
            Ac = FD.jacobian( x -> dynamics(params est, x, u linearize), x linearize)
            Bc = FD.derivative(_u -> dynamics(params_est, x_linearize, _u), u_lineariz
        e)
            Dc = zeros(nx+nu,nx+nu)
            Dc[1:nx, 1:nx+nu] = [Ac Bc]
            Dd = exp(Dc*dt)
            A, B = (Dd[1:nx, 1:nx], Dd[1:nx, (nx+1):(nx+nu)])
            for ricatti_iter = 1:1000
                K = (R + B' * P * B) \setminus (B' * P * A)
                P \ kp1 = Q + A'* P * (A - B * K)
                 if norm(P - P kp1) < tol</pre>
                     Kinf = K
```

```
break
        end
        P = P kp1
   end
   # vector of length 1 vectors for our control
   U = [zeros(1) \text{ for } i = 1:N-1]
   # TODO: simulate this controlled system with rk4(params real, ...)
   # TODO: make sure you clamp the control input with clamp.(U[i], -3.0, 3.0)
   for ii = 2:N
        U[ii-1] = clamp.(-Kinf*(X[ii-1]-xgoal), -3,3)
        X[ii] = rk4(params_real, X[ii-1],U[ii-1], dt)
    end
   @show norm(X[end] - xgoal)
   # -----tests and plots/animations-----
   @test X[1] == x0 # initial condition is used
   @test norm(X[end])>0 # end is nonzero
   @test norm(X[end] - xgoal) < 0.1 # within 0.1 of the goal</pre>
   @test norm(vcat(U...), Inf) <= 3.0 # actuator limits are respected</pre>
   Xm = hcat(X...)
   display(plot(t_vec,Xm',title = "cartpole",
                 xlabel = "time(s)", ylabel = "x",
                 label = ["p" "\theta" "\dot{p}" "\theta^{\dagger}])
   # animation stuff
   display(animate_cartpole(X, dt))
    # -----tests and plots/animations-----
end
```



norm(X[end] - xgoal) = 0.050373809497486495

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LQR about eq | 4 4
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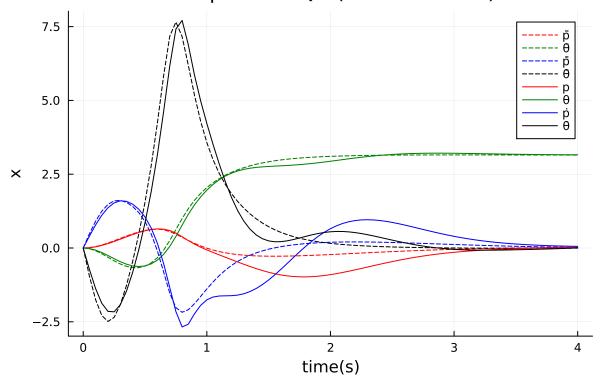
### Part D: TVLQR for trajectory tracking (15 pts)

Here we are given a swingup trajectory that works for <code>params\_est</code>, but will fail to work with <code>params\_real</code>. To account for this sim to real gap, we are going to track this trajectory with a TVLQR controller.

```
In [55]: @testset "track swingup" begin
             # optimized trajectory we are going to try and track
             DATA = load(joinpath(@__DIR__,"swingup.jld2"))
             Xbar = DATA["X"]
             Ubar = DATA["U"]
             # states and controls
             nx = 4
             nu = 1
             # problem size
             dt = 0.05
             tf = 4.0
             t vec = 0:dt:tf
             N = length(t_vec)
             # states (initial condition of zeros)
             X = [zeros(nx) for i = 1:N]
             X[1] = [0, 0, 0, 0.0]
             # make sure we have the same initial condition
             @assert norm(X[1] - Xbar[1]) < 1e-12
             # real and estimated params
             params_est = (mc = 1.0, mp = 0.2, 1 = 0.5)
             params_real = (mc = 1.2, mp = 0.16, l = 0.55)
             # TODO: design a time-varying LQR controller to track this trajectory
             # use params est for your control design, and params real for the simulati
         on
             # cost terms
             Q = diagm([1,1,.05,.1])
             Qf = 10*Q
             R = 0.05*diagm(ones(nu))
             # TODO: solve for tvlqr gains K
             P = Of
             Ks = [zeros(nx) for i = 1:N-1]
             Dc = zeros(nx+nu,nx+nu)
             u = 0
             for ii = N:-1:2
                  Ac = FD.jacobian(_x -> dynamics(params_est, _x, Ubar[ii-1]), Xbar[ii])
                  Bc = FD.jacobian(_u -> dynamics(params_est, Xbar[ii], _u), Ubar[ii-1])
                  Dc[1:nx, 1:nx+nu] = [Ac Bc]
                 Dd = exp(Dc*dt)
                 A, B = (Dd[1:nx, 1:nx], Dd[1:nx, (nx+1):(nx+nu)])
                 K = (R + B'*P*B) \setminus B'*P*A
                 Ks[ii-1] = vec(K)
                  P = Q + K'*R*K + (A-B*K)'*P*(A-B*K)
             end
```

```
# TODO: simulate this controlled system with rk4(params real, ...)
    for ii = 2:N
        U = Ubar[ii-1]-[Ks[ii-1]\cdot(X[ii-1] - Xbar[ii-1])]
        X[ii] = rk4(params_real, X[ii-1],U, dt)
    end
    # -----tests and plots/animations-----
    xn = X[N]
    @test norm(xn)>0
   @test 1e-6<norm(xn - Xbar[end])<.2</pre>
   @test abs(abs(rad2deg(xn[2])) - 180) < 5 # within 5 degrees</pre>
   Xm = hcat(X...)
   Xbarm = hcat(Xbar...)
    plot(t_vec,Xbarm',ls=:dash, label = ["\bar{p}" "\theta" "\bar{b}" "\theta"],lc = [:red :green :b]
lue :black])
   display(plot!(t_vec,Xm',title = "Cartpole TVLQR (-- is reference)",
                 xlabel = "time(s)", ylabel = "x",
                 label = ["p" "\theta" "p" "\theta"], lc = [:red : green : blue : black]))
    # animation stuff
   display(animate cartpole(X, dt))
    # -----tests and plots/animations-----
end
```

# Cartpole TVLQR (-- is reference)



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```
Test Summary: | Pass Total
track swingup | 3 3

Test.DefaultTestSet("track swingup", Any[], 3, false, false)
```

### Part E (5 pts): One sentence short answer

1. Will the LQR controller from part A be stable no matter where the cartpole starts?

No, it's only linearized about the goal region, so will not be stable when too far from the goal

1. In order to build an infinite-horizon LQR controller for a nonlinear system, do we always need a state to linearize about?

Yes, LQR is an optimal controller for linear systems

1. If we are worried about our LQR controller saturating our actuator limits, how should we change the cost?

Increase values in the cost matrix R with respect to values in the Q matrix

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```
In [1]:
        import Pkg
        Pkg.activate(@ DIR )
        Pkg.instantiate()
        using LinearAlgebra, Plots
        import ForwardDiff as FD
        import MeshCat as mc
        using Test
        using Random
        import Convex as cvx
        import ECOS
                     # the solver we use in this hw
        # import Hypatia # other solvers you can try
        # import COSMO # other solvers you can try
        using ProgressMeter
        include(joinpath(@__DIR__,"utils/rendezvous.jl"))
```

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thruster\_model (generic function with 1 method)

#### **Notes:**

- 1. Some of the cells below will have multiple outputs (plots and animations), it can be easier to see everything if you do Cell -> All Output -> Toggle Scrolling, so that it simply expands the output area to match the size of the outputs.
- 2. Things in space move very slowly (by design), because of this, you may want to speed up the animations when you're viewing them. You can do this in MeshCat by doing Open Controls -> Animations -> Time Scale, to modify the time scale. You can also play/pause/scrub from this menu as well.
- 3. You can move around your view in MeshCat by clicking + dragging, and you can pan with right click + dragging, and zoom with the scroll wheel on your mouse (or trackpad specific alternatives).

vec\_from\_mat (generic function with 1 method)

### Is LQR the answer for everything?

Unfortunately, no. LQR is great for problems with true quadratic costs and linear dynamics, but this is a very small subset of convex trajectory optimization problems. While a quadratic cost is common in control, there are other available convex cost functions that may better motivate the desired behavior of the system. These costs can be things like an L1 norm on the control inputs ( $\|u\|_1$ ), or an L2 goal error ( $\|x-x_{goal}\|_2$ ). Also, control problems often have constraints like path constraints, control bounds, or terminal constraints, that can't be handled with LQR. With the addition of these constraints, the trajectory optimization problem is stil convex and easy to solve, but we can no longer just get an optimal gain K and apply a feedback policy in these situations.

The solution to this is Model Predictive Control (MPC). In MPC, we are setting up and solving a convex trajectory optimization at every time step, optimizing over some horizon or window into the future, and executing the first control in the solution. To see how this works, we are going to try this for a classic space control problem: the rendezvous.

# Q3: Optimal Rendezvous and Docking (55 pts)

In this example, we are going to use convex optimization to control the SpaceX Dragon 1 spacecraft as it docks with the International Space Station (ISS). The dynamics of the Dragon vehicle can be modeled with <a href="Clohessy-Wiltshire equations">Clohessy-Wiltshire equations</a> (<a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Clohessy%E2%80%93Wiltshire\_equations">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Clohessy%E2%80%93Wiltshire\_equations</a>), which is a linear dynamics model in continuous time. The state and control of this system are the following:

$$egin{aligned} x &= [r_x, r_y, r_z, v_x, v_y, v_z]^T, \ u &= [t_x, t_y, t_z]^T, \end{aligned}$$

where r is a relative position of the Dragon spacecraft with respect to the ISS, v is the relative velocity, and t is the thrust on the spacecraft. The continuous time dynamics of the vehicle are the following:

$$\dot{x} = egin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \ 3n^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2n & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2n & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & -n^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + egin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 0 \ 1 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 1 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} u,$$

where  $n=\sqrt{\mu/a^3}$ , with  $\mu$  being the <u>standard gravitational parameter</u> (<u>https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Standard\_gravitational\_parameter</u>), and a being the semi-major axis of the orbit of the ISS.

We are going to use three different techniques for solving this control problem, the first is LQR, the second is convex trajectory optimization, and the third is convex MPC where we will be able to account for unmodeled dynamics in our system (the "sim to real" gap).

### Part A: Discretize the dynamics (5 pts)

Use the matrix exponential to convert the linear ODE into a linear discrete time model (hint: the matrix exponential is just exp() in Julia when called on a matrix.

```
In [3]: | function create dynamics(dt::Real)::Tuple{Matrix,Matrix}
           mu = 3.986004418e14 # standard gravitational parameter
           a = 6971100.0 # semi-major axis of ISS
           n = sqrt(mu/a^3) # mean motion
           # continuous time dynamics \dot{x} = Ax + Bu
           A = [0
                  0 0 1 0 0;
                    0 0 0 1 0;
                0 0 0 0 0 1;
                3*n^2 0 0 0 2*n 0;
                    0 0 -2*n 0 0;
                    0 -n^2 0 0
                                     0]
           B = Matrix([zeros(3,3);0.1*I(3)])
           # TODO: convert to discrete time X \{k+1\} = Ad^*x \ k + Bd^*u \ k
           nx, nu = size(B)
           Dc = zeros(nx+nu, nx+nu)
           Dc[1:nx,1:(nx+nu)] = [A B]
           Dd = exp(Dc*dt)
           Ad = Dd[1:nx,1:nx]
           Bd = Dd[1:nx,(nx+1):end]
           return Ad, Bd
        end
```

create\_dynamics (generic function with 1 method)

```
In [4]: @testset "discrete dynamics" begin
    A,B = create_dynamics(1.0)

    x = [1,3,-.3,.2,.4,-.5]
    u = [-.1,.5,.3]

# test these matrices
    @test isapprox(A*x + B*u, [1.195453, 3.424786, -0.78499972, 0.190925, 0.44
95759, -0.4699993], atol = 1e-3)
    @test isapprox(det(A), 1, atol = 1e-8)
    @test isapprox(norm(B,Inf), 0.0999999803, atol = 1e-5)

end
```

### Part B: LQR (10 pts)

Now we will take a given reference trajectory X\_ref and track it with finite-horizon LQR. Remember that finite-horizon LQR is solving this problem:

$$egin{aligned} \min_{x_{1:N},u_{1:N-1}} && \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \left[ rac{1}{2} (x_i - x_{ref,i})^T Q(x_i - x_{ref,i}) + rac{1}{2} u_i^T R u_i 
ight] + rac{1}{2} (x_N - x_{ref,N})^T Q_f (x_N - x_{ref,N}) \ & ext{st} && x_1 = x_{ ext{IC}} \ && x_{i+1} = A x_i + B u_i & ext{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, N-1 \end{aligned}$$

where our policy is  $u_i = -K_i(x_i - x_{ref,i})$ . Use your code from the previous problem with your function to generate your gain matrices.

One twist we will throw into this is control constraints  $u_min$  and  $u_max$ . You should use the function clamp. (u, u\_min, u\_max) to clamp the values of your u to be within this range.

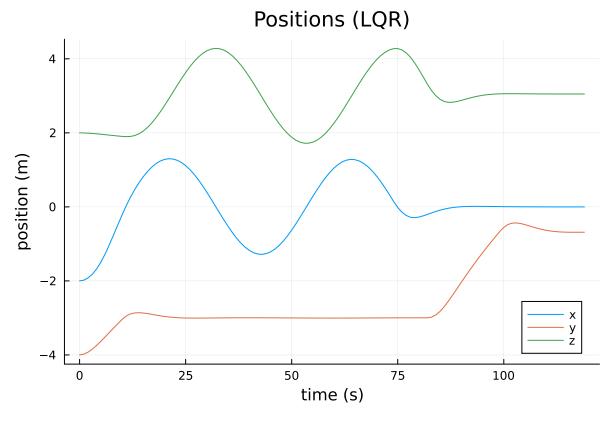
If implemented correctly, you should see the Dragon spacecraft dock with the ISS successfuly, but only after it crashes through the ISS a little bit.

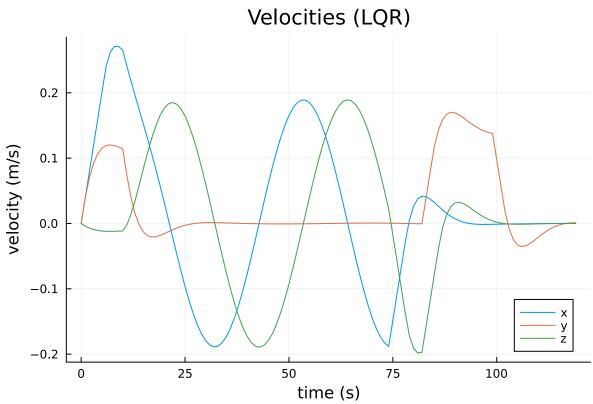
```
In [5]:
        use the Ricatti recursion to calculate the cost to go quadratic matrix P and
        optimal control gain K at every time step. Return these as a vector of matrice
        where P_k = P[k], and K_k = K[k]
        function fhlqr(A::Matrix, # A matrix
                        B::Matrix, # B matrix
                        Q:::Matrix, # cost weight
                        R::Matrix, # cost weight
                        Qf::Matrix,# term cost weight
                        N::Int64 # horizon size
                        )::Tuple{Vector{Matrix{Float64}}}, Vector{Matrix{Float64}}} # re
        turn two matrices
            # check sizes of everything
            nx,nu = size(B)
            @assert size(A) == (nx, nx)
            @assert size(Q) == (nx, nx)
            @assert size(R) == (nu, nu)
            @assert size(Qf) == (nx, nx)
            # instantiate S and K
            P = [zeros(nx,nx) for i = 1:N]
            K = [zeros(nu,nx) for i = 1:N-1]
            # initialize S[N] with Qf
            P[N] = deepcopy(Qf)
            # Ricatti
            for k = (N-1):-1:1
                K[k] = (R + B' * P[k+1] * B) \setminus (B' * P[k+1] * A)
                P[k] = Q + A'* P[k+1] * (A - B * K[k])
            end
            return P, K
        end
```

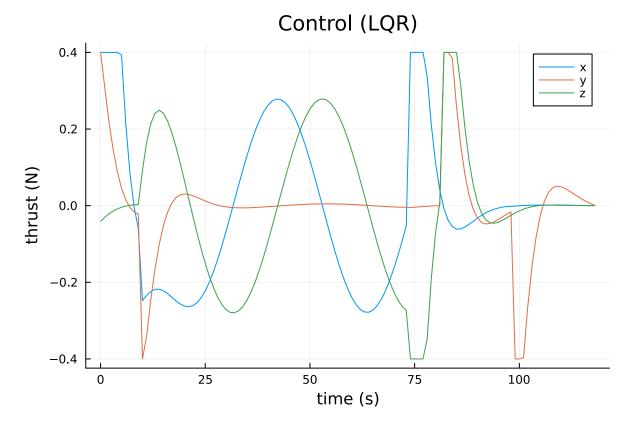
fhlqr

```
In [6]: @testset "LQR rendezvous" begin
            # create our discrete time model
            dt = 1.0
            A,B = create_dynamics(dt)
            # get our sizes for state and control
            nx,nu = size(B)
            # initial and goal states
            x0 = [-2; -4; 2; 0; 0; .0]
            xg = [0, -.68, 3.05, 0, 0, 0]
            # bounds on U
            u max = 0.4*ones(3)
            u_min = -u_max
            # problem size and reference trajectory
            N = 120
            t \text{ vec} = 0:dt:((N-1)*dt)
            X_ref = desired_trajectory_long(x0,xg,200,dt)[1:N]
            # TODO: FHLQR
            Q = diagm(ones(nx))
            R = diagm(ones(nu))
            Qf = 10*Q
            # TODO get K's from fhlqr
            _{,} K = fhlqr(A,B,Q,R,Qf,N)
            # simulation
            X sim = [zeros(nx) for i = 1:N]
            U_sim = [zeros(nu) for i = 1:N-1]
            X_sim[1] = x0
            for i = 1:(N-1)
                # TODO: put LQR control law here
                # make sure to clamp
                U_{sim}[i] = clamp.(-K[i]*(X_{sim}[i]-X_{ref}[i]),u_{min},u_{max})
                # simulate 1 step
                X sim[i+1] = A*X sim[i] + B*U sim[i]
            end
            # -----plotting/animation-----
            Xm = mat from vec(X sim)
            Um = mat_from_vec(U_sim)
            display(plot(t_vec,Xm[1:3,:]',title = "Positions (LQR)",
                          xlabel = "time (s)", ylabel = "position (m)",
                          label = ["x" "y" "z"]))
            display(plot(t_vec,Xm[4:6,:]',title = "Velocities (LQR)",
                    xlabel = "time (s)", ylabel = "velocity (m/s)",
                          label = ["x" "y" "z"]))
            display(plot(t_vec[1:end-1],Um',title = "Control (LQR)",
                    xlabel = "time (s)", ylabel = "thrust (N)",
                         label = ["x" "y" "z"]))
            # feel free to toggle `show reference`
            display(animate_rendezvous(X_sim, X_ref, dt;show_reference = false))
```

```
# -----plotting/animation-----
    # testing
    xs=[x[1] for x in X_sim]
    ys=[x[2] \text{ for } x \text{ in } X_sim]
    zs=[x[3]  for x  in X_sim]
    @test norm(X_sim[end] - xg) < .01 # goal</pre>
    @\text{test} (xg[2] + .1) < maximum(ys) < 0 # we should have hit the ISS
    @test maximum(zs) >= 4 # check to see if you did the circle
    @test minimum(zs) <= 2 # check to see if you did the circle</pre>
    @test maximum(xs) >= 1 # check to see if you did the circle
    @test maximum(norm.(U_sim,Inf)) <= 0.4 # control constraints satisfied</pre>
end
```







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Test.DefaultTestSet("LQR rendezvous", Any[], 6, false, false)

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### Part C: Convex Trajectory Optimization (15 pts)

Now we are going to assume that we have a perfect model (assume there is no sim to real gap), and that we have a perfect state estimate. With this, we are going to solve our control problem as a convex trajectory optimization problem.

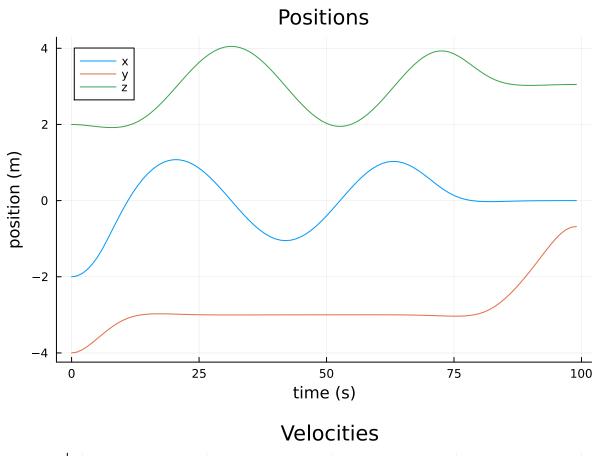
$$egin{aligned} \min_{x_{1:N},u_{1:N-1}} && \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \left[ rac{1}{2} (x_i - x_{ref,i})^T Q(x_i - x_{ref,i}) + rac{1}{2} u_i^T R u_i 
ight] \ & ext{st} && x_1 = x_{ ext{IC}} \ && x_{i+1} = A x_i + B u_i & ext{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, N-1 \ && u_{min} \leq u_i \leq u_{max} & ext{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, N-1 \ && x_i[2] \leq x_{goal}[2] & ext{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, N \ && x_N = x_{goal} \end{aligned}$$

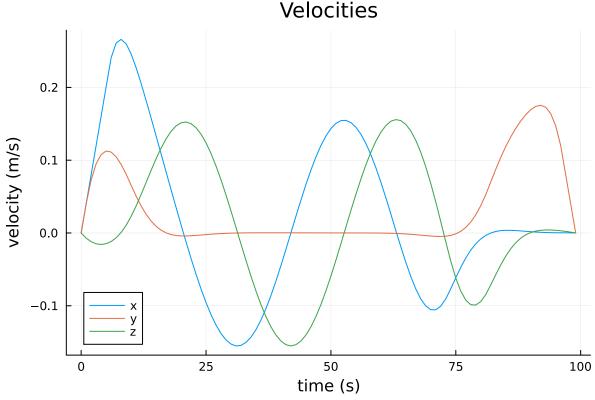
Where we have an LQR cost, an initial condition constraint  $(x_1=x_{\rm IC})$ , linear dynamics constraints (  $x_{i+1}=Ax_i+Bu_i$ ), bound constraints on the control ( $\leq u_i \leq u_{max}$ ), an ISS collision constraint (  $x_i[2] \leq x_{goal}[2]$ ), and a terminal constraint ( $x_N=x_{goal}$ ). This problem is convex and we will setup and solve this with Convex.jl .

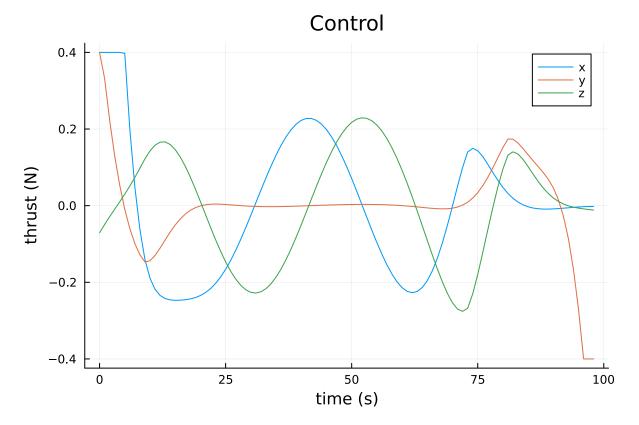
```
In [17]:
         Xcvx,Ucvx = convex trajopt(A,B,X ref,x0,xg,u min,u max,N)
         setup and solve the above optimization problem, returning
         the solutions X and U, after first converting them to
         vectors of vectors with vec from mat(X.value)
         function convex trajopt(A::Matrix, # discrete dynamics A
                                  B::Matrix, # discrete dynamics B
                                  X_ref::Vector{Vector{Float64}}, # reference trajectory
                                  x0::Vector, # initial condition
                                  xg::Vector, # goal state
                                  u_min::Vector, # Lower bound on u
                                  u max::Vector, # upper bound on u
                                  N::Int64, # length of trajectory
                                  )::Tuple{Vector{Vector{Float64}}}, Vector{Vector{Float6
         4}}} # return Xcvx,Ucvx
             # get our sizes for state and control
             nx,nu = size(B)
             @assert size(A) == (nx, nx)
             @assert length(x0) == nx
             @assert length(xg) == nx
             # LQR cost
             Q = diagm(ones(nx))
             R = diagm(ones(nu))
             # variables we are solving for
             X = cvx.Variable(nx,N)
             U = cvx.Variable(nu,N-1)
             # TODO: implement cost
             obi = 0
             for k = 1:(N-1)
                 obj += 1/2*cvx.quadform(X[:,k]-X ref[k],Q) + 1/2*cvx.quadform(U[:,k],
         R)
             end
             # create problem with objective
             prob = cvx.minimize(obj)
             # TODO: add constraints with prob.constraints +=
             prob.constraints += (X[:,1]==x0) + (X[:,N]==xg)
             # prob.constraint += (U - u max <= 0) + (u min - U <= 0)
             for k = 1:(N-1)
                 # dynamics constraints
                 prob.constraints += (X[:,k+1] == A * X[:,k] + B * U[:,k])
                 prob.constraints += (U[:,k] - u_max <= 0) + (u_min - U[:,k] <= 0)
                 prob.constraints += (X[2,k] - xg[2] <= 0)
             end
              cvx.solve!(prob, ECOS.Optimizer; silent solver = true)
```

```
X = X.value
    U = U.value
   Xcvx = vec from mat(X)
   Ucvx = vec_from_mat(U)
    return Xcvx, Ucvx
end
@testset "convex trajopt" begin
    # create our discrete time model
    dt = 1.0
    A,B = create dynamics(dt)
    # get our sizes for state and control
   nx,nu = size(B)
    # initial and goal states
    x0 = [-2; -4; 2; 0; 0; .0]
    xg = [0, -.68, 3.05, 0, 0, 0]
    # bounds on U
    u_max = 0.4*ones(3)
    u_min = -u_max
    # problem size and reference trajectory
    N = 100
    t_{vec} = 0:dt:((N-1)*dt)
   X_ref = desired_trajectory(x0,xg,N,dt)
    # solve convex trajectory optimization problem
   X_cvx, U_cvx = convex_trajopt(A,B,X_ref,x0,xg,u_min,u_max,N)
    X_{sim} = [zeros(nx) for i = 1:N]
    X sim[1] = x0
    for i = 1:N-1
        X sim[i+1] = A*X sim[i] + B*U cvx[i]
    end
    # -----plotting/animation-----
    Xm = mat_from_vec(X_sim)
    Um = mat_from_vec(U_cvx)
    display(plot(t_vec,Xm[1:3,:]',title = "Positions",
                xlabel = "time (s)", ylabel = "position (m)",
                 label = ["x" "y" "z"]))
    display(plot(t_vec,Xm[4:6,:]',title = "Velocities",
            xlabel = "time (s)", ylabel = "velocity (m/s)",
                 label = ["x" "y" "z"]))
    display(plot(t vec[1:end-1],Um',title = "Control",
            xlabel = "time (s)", ylabel = "thrust (N)",
                 label = ["x" "y" "z"]))
    display(animate_rendezvous(X_sim, X_ref, dt;show_reference = false))
    # -----plotting/animation-----
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@test maximum(norm.( X_sim .- X_cvx, Inf)) < 1e-3
@test norm(X_sim[end] - xg) < 1e-3 # goal
xs=[x[1] for x in X_sim]
ys=[x[2] for x in X_sim]
zs=[x[3] for x in X_sim]
@test maximum(ys) <= (xg[2] + 1e-3)
@test maximum(zs) >= 4 # check to see if you did the circle
@test minimum(zs) <= 2 # check to see if you did the circle
@test maximum(xs) >= 1 # check to see if you did the circle
@test maximum(norm.(U_cvx,Inf)) <= 0.4 + 1e-3 # control constraints satisf
ied
end</pre>
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### Part D (5 pts): Short answer

- 1. List three reasons why an open loop policy wouldn't work well on a real system:
- Model error (sim ot real gap)
- Noise and physical disrturbance (requires rejection from closed loop feedback)
- · Cannot adapt to system changes
- 1. For convex trajectory optimization, give three examples of convex cost functions we can use:
- · Quadratc cost
- Conic cost
- Linear cost
- 1. List three things that convex trajectory optimization can do that LQR cannot:
- · Applying inequality constraints
- · Non quadratic cost function
- · Time-varying and state-dependent cost
- 1. Say we have the following convex trajectory optimization problem:

$$egin{aligned} \min_{x_{1:N},u_{1:N-1}} && \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \left[ rac{1}{2} (x_i - x_{ref,i})^T Q(x_i - x_{ref,i}) + rac{1}{2} u_i^T R u_i 
ight] \ && + rac{1}{2} (x_N - x_{ref,N})^T Q_f(x_N - x_{ref,N}) \ & ext{st} && x_1 = x_{ ext{IC}} \ && x_{i+1} = A x_i + B u_i & ext{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, N-1 \ && x_{min} \leq x_i \leq x_{max} & ext{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, N \ && u_{min} \leq u_i \leq u_{max} & ext{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, N-1 \end{aligned}$$

If the optimal solution to this problem does not violate any either the state or control bounds (the  $x_{min} \leq x_i \leq x_{max}$  and  $u_{min} \leq u_i \leq u_{max}$  constraints), how will it differ from the finite-horizon LQR solution?

· Then optimal solution that don't violate any bound wil lbe identical to the fhlqr solution

### Part E: Convex MPC (20 pts)

In part C, we solved for the optimal rendezvous trajectory using convex optimization, and verified it by simulating it in an open loop fashion (no feedback). This was made possible because we assumed that our linear dynamics were exact, and that we had a perfect estimate of our state. In reality, there are many issues that would prevent this open loop policy from being successful.

Together, these factors result in a "sim to real" gap between our simulated model, and the real model. Because there will always be a sim to real gap, we can't just execute open loop policies and expect them to be successful. What we can do, however, is use Model Predictive Control (MPC) that combines some of the ideas of feedback control with convex trajectory optimization.

A convex MPC controller will set up and solve a convex optimization problem at each time step that incorporates the current state estimate as an initial condition. For a trajectory tracking problem like this rendezvous, we want to track  $x_{ref}$ , but instead of optimizing over the whole trajectory, we will only consider a sliding window of size  $N_{mpc}$  (also called a horizon). If  $N_{mpc}=20$ , this means our convex MPC controller is reasoning about the next 20 steps in the trajectory. This optimization problem at every timestep will start by taking the relevant reference trajectory at the current window from the current step i, to the end of the window  $i+N_{mpc}-1$ . This slice of the reference trajectory that applies to the current MPC window will be called  $\tilde{x}_{ref}=x_{ref}[i,(i+N_{mpc}-1)]$ .

$$egin{aligned} \min_{x_{1:N},u_{1:N-1}} & \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \left[ rac{1}{2} (x_i - ilde{x}_{ref,i})^T Q(x_i - ilde{x}_{ref,i}) + rac{1}{2} u_i^T R u_i 
ight] + rac{1}{2} (x_N - ilde{x}_{ref,N})^T Q(x_N - ilde{x}_{ref,N}) \ & ext{st} & x_1 = x_{ ext{IC}} \ & x_{i+1} = A x_i + B u_i & ext{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, N-1 \ & u_{min} \leq u_i \leq u_{max} & ext{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, N-1 \ & x_i[2] \leq x_{goal}[2] & ext{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, N \end{aligned}$$

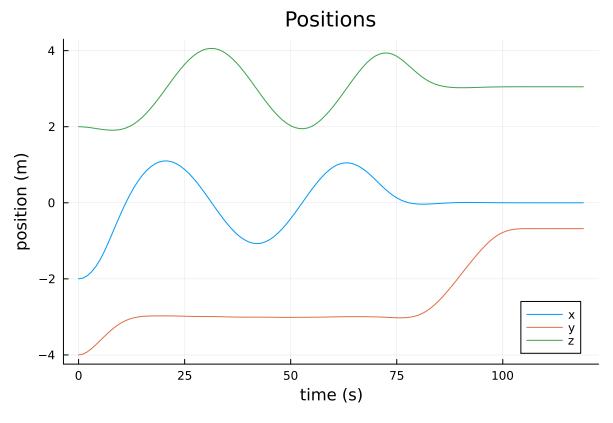
where N in this case is  $N_{mpc}$ . This allows for the MPC controller to "think" about the future states in a way that the LQR controller cannot. By updating the reference trajectory window ( $\tilde{x}_{ref}$ ) at each step and updating the initial condition ( $x_{IC}$ ), the MPC controller is able to "react" and compensate for the sim to real gap.

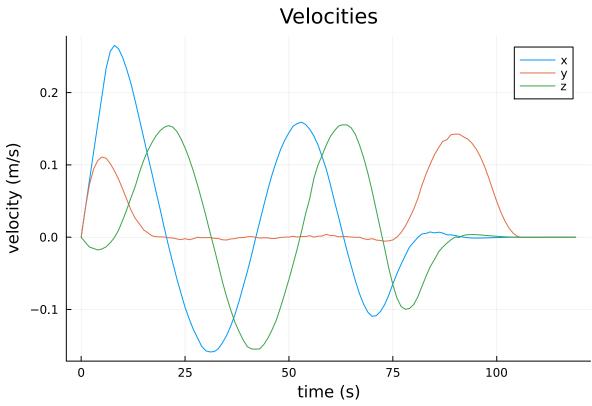
You will now implement a function  $convex\_mpc$  where you setup and solve this optimization problem at every timestep, and simply return  $u_1$  from the solution.

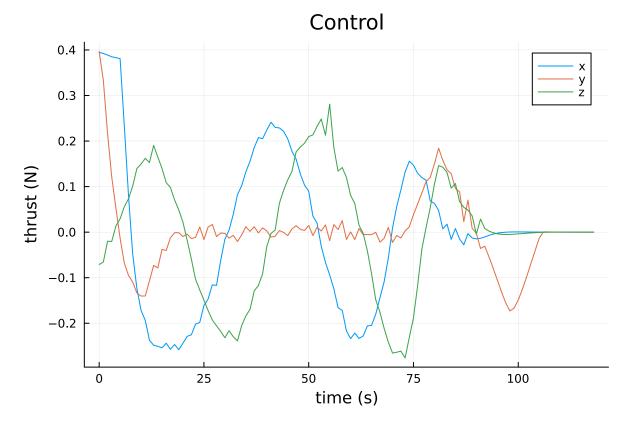
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In [21]:
          `u = convex mpc(A,B,X ref window,xic,xg,u min,u max,N mpc)`
         setup and solve the above optimization problem, returning the
         first control u 1 from the solution (should be a length nu
         Vector{Float64}).
         function convex mpc(A::Matrix, # discrete dynamics matrix A
                              B::Matrix, # discrete dynamics matrix B
                              X_ref_window::Vector{Vector{Float64}}, # reference traject
         ory for this window
                              xic::Vector, # current state x
                              xg::Vector, # goal state
                              u min::Vector, # Lower bound on u
                              u_max::Vector, # upper bound on u
                              N_mpc::Int64, # length of MPC window (horizon)
                              )::Vector{Float64} # return the first control command of t
         he solved policy
             # get our sizes for state and control
             nx,nu = size(B)
             # check sizes
             @assert size(A) == (nx, nx)
             @assert length(xic) == nx
             @assert length(xg) == nx
             @assert length(X ref window) == N mpc
             # LQR cost
             Q = diagm(ones(nx))
             R = diagm(ones(nu))
             # variables we are solving for
             X = cvx.Variable(nx,N mpc)
             U = cvx.Variable(nu,N_mpc-1)
             # TODO: implement cost function
             obj = 0
             for k = 1:(N mpc-1)
                 obj += 1/2*cvx.quadform(X[:,k]-X_ref_window[k],Q) + 1/2*cvx.quadform(U)
          [:,k],R)
             end
             # create problem with objective
             prob = cvx.minimize(obj)
             # TODO: add constraints with prob.constraints +=
             prob.constraints += (X[:,1]==xic) + (X[:,N_mpc]==X_ref_window[N_mpc])
             # prob.constraint += (U - u max <= 0) + (u min - U <= 0)
             for k = 1:(N_mpc-1)
                 # dynamics constraints
                 prob.constraints += (X[:,k+1] == A * X[:,k] + B * U[:,k])
                 prob.constraints += (U[:,k] - u_max <= 0) + (u_min - U[:,k] <= 0)
                 prob.constraints += (X[2,k] - xg[2] <= 0)
             end
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# create problem with objective
    # solve problem
    cvx.solve!(prob, ECOS.Optimizer; silent solver = true)
    # get X and U solutions
    X = X.value
    U = U.value
    # return first control U
    return U[:,1]
end
@testset "convex mpc" begin
    # create our discrete time model
    dt = 1.0
    A,B = create_dynamics(dt)
    # get our sizes for state and control
    nx,nu = size(B)
    # initial and goal states
    x0 = [-2; -4; 2; 0; 0; .0]
    xg = [0, -.68, 3.05, 0, 0, 0]
    # bounds on U
    u_max = 0.4*ones(3)
    u \min = -u \max
    # problem size and reference trajectory
    N = 100
    t \text{ vec} = 0:dt:((N-1)*dt)
    X_ref = [desired_trajectory(x0,xg,N,dt)...,[xg for i = 1:N]...]
    # MPC window size
    N \text{ mpc} = 20
    # sim size and setup
    N \sin = N + 20
    t_{vec} = 0:dt:((N_{sim-1})*dt)
    X_{sim} = [zeros(nx) for i = 1:N_{sim}]
    X \sin[1] = x0
    U_sim = [zeros(nu) for i = 1:N_sim-1]
    # simulate
    @showprogress "simulating" for i = 1:N_sim-1
        # get state estimate
        xi_estimate = state_estimate(X_sim[i], xg)
        # TODO: given a window of N mpc timesteps, get current reference traje
ctory
        X_ref_tilde = X_ref[i:i+N_mpc-1]
        # TODO: call convex mpc controller with state estimate
        u_mpc = convex_mpc(A,B,X_ref_tilde,xi_estimate,xg,u_min,u_max,N_mpc)
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# commanded control goes into thruster model where it gets modified
        U_sim[i] = thruster_model(X_sim[i], xg, u_mpc)
       # simulate one step
        X_{sim}[i+1] = A*X_{sim}[i] + B*U_{sim}[i]
    end
    # -----plotting/animation-----
   Xm = mat from vec(X sim)
   Um = mat_from_vec(U_sim)
   display(plot(t_vec,Xm[1:3,:]',title = "Positions",
                 xlabel = "time (s)", ylabel = "position (m)",
                 label = ["x" "y" "z"]))
    display(plot(t vec, Xm[4:6,:]', title = "Velocities",
            xlabel = "time (s)", ylabel = "velocity (m/s)",
                 label = ["x" "y" "z"]))
   display(plot(t_vec[1:end-1],Um',title = "Control",
            xlabel = "time (s)", ylabel = "thrust (N)",
                 label = ["x" "y" "z"]))
   display(animate_rendezvous(X_sim, X_ref, dt;show_reference = false))
    # -----plotting/animation-----
    # tests
   @test norm(X_sim[end] - xg) < 1e-3 # goal</pre>
   xs=[x[1]  for x  in X  sim]
   ys=[x[2]  for x  in X_sim]
    zs=[x[3]  for x  in X_sim]
   @test maximum(ys) <= (xg[2] + 1e-3)
   @test maximum(zs) >= 4 # check to see if you did the circle
   @test minimum(zs) <= 2 # check to see if you did the circle</pre>
   @test maximum(xs) >= 1 # check to see if you did the circle
   @test maximum(norm.(U_sim,Inf)) <= 0.4 + 1e-3 # control constraints satisf</pre>
ied
end
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