

1 Linear Systems

Solution to linear ODE  $\dot{x}(t) = A^c x(t) + B^c u(t), x_0 := x(t_0)$   
 $x(t) = e^{A^c(t-t_0)}x_0 + \int_{t_0}^t e^{A^c(t-\tau)}B^c u(\tau)d\tau$   
Discretization of LTI c-t ss model  
 $t_0 = t_k, t = t_{k+1}, t_{k+1} - t_k = T_s, u(t) = u(t_k) \forall t \in [t_k, t_{k+1})$   
 $x(t_{k+1}) = e^{A^c T_s} x(t_k) + \int_0^{T_s} e^{A^c(T_s-\tau')} B^c d\tau' u(t_k)$   
 $x(t_{k+1}) = Ax(t_k) + Bu(t_k)$   
Coordinate Trafo may facilitate system analysis  
 $\tilde{x} = Tx, \det(T) \neq 0$ ; where  $T = [e_1, ..., e_n]^{-1}$   
EW:  $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$ , EV:  $(A - \lambda_i I)e_i = 0$   
Asymptotic stability (stays bounded and returns to 0):  
 $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x(k) = 0, \forall x(0) \in \mathbb{R}$  with  $u = 0$   
Necessary & sufficient cond. on the eigenvalues:  $|\lambda_i| < 1, \forall i = 1, ..., n$   
Proof by trafo:  
 $\tilde{x}(k+1) = TAT^{-1}\tilde{x}(k) = \text{diag}(\lambda_n)\tilde{x}(k) = \Lambda\tilde{x}(k)$   
State  $\tilde{x}(k)$  can be expressed as function of  $\tilde{x}(0) = Tx(0)$ :  
 $\tilde{x}(k) = \text{diag}(\lambda_n^k)\tilde{x}(0) = \Lambda^k\tilde{x}(0)$   
 $\tilde{x}(k) = \Lambda^k\tilde{x}(0) \Rightarrow |\tilde{x}_i(k)| \leq |\lambda_i|^k |\tilde{x}_i(0)|$   
Global Lyapunov Stability (only sufficient)  
 $x = 0$  is GAS if there is a function  $V : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ :  
 $\|x\| \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow V(x) \rightarrow \infty$   
 $V(0) = 0$  and  $V(x) > 0, \forall x \neq 0$   
 $V(f(x(k))) - V(x(k)) < 0, \forall x \neq 0$   
Lyapunov Stability for linear system  $x(k+1) = Ax(k)$   
 $V(Ax(k)) - V(x(k)) = x^T(k)(A^T P A - P)x(k) < 0, P > 0$   
Lyapunov equation  
 $A^T P A - P = -Q, Q > 0$   
Fulfilled if  $A$  has all eigenvalues inside the unit circle  
Infinite horizon cost-to-go for asymptotically stable system  
 $x(k+1) = Ax(k)$   
 $\Psi(x(0)) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x(k)^T Q x(k) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x(0)^T (A^k)^T Q A^k x(0) = x(0)^T P x(0)$   
 $P = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (A^k)^T Q A^k = Q + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (A^k)^T Q A^k = Q + A^T (\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (A^k)^T Q A^k) A = Q + A^T P A$   
Controllability: goal state  $x^*$  can be reached in finite time: max in  $n$  steps  
$$x^* = A^N x(0) + (B \ AB \ \dots \ A^{n-1} B) \begin{pmatrix} u(N-1) \\ u(N-2) \\ \vdots \\ u(0) \end{pmatrix}$$
  
 $= A^N x(0) + CU$   
Necessary and sufficient cond:  $\text{rank}(C) = n$ .  
Stabilizability: input sequence exists, that returns the state to the origin asymptotically: A system is stabilizable iff all its uncontrollable modes are stable

if  $\text{rank}([\lambda_i I - A|B]) = n \ \forall \lambda_i \in \Lambda_A^+ \Rightarrow (A, B)$  is stabilizable  
 $\Lambda_A^+$  is the set of eigenvalues of  $A$  lying on or outside the unit circle.  
Observable: measurements  $y(0), y(1), ..., y(N-1)$  uniquely distinguish  $x(0)$   
$$\begin{pmatrix} y(0) \\ y(1) \\ \vdots \\ y((N-1)) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} C \\ CA \\ \vdots \\ CA^{N-1} \end{pmatrix} x(0) = \mathcal{O} x(0)$$
  
columns of  $\mathcal{O}$  linearly independent. Nec & suf:  $\text{rank}(\mathcal{O}) = n$   
Detectability: if all unobservable modes are stable:  
if  $\text{rank}([A^T - \lambda_i | C]) = n \ \forall \lambda_i \in \Lambda_A^+ \Rightarrow (A, C)$  is stabilizable.  
**1.1 Unconstrained finite horizon optimal control problem**  
Inputs  $\mathbf{u} := [u_0^T, ..., u_{N-1}^T]^T$  minimize objective function:  
 $J_0^*(x(0)) := \min_{\mathbf{u}} J_0(x(0), \mathbf{u}) = \min_{\mathbf{u}} x_N^T P x_N + \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} [x_k^T Q x_k + u_k^T R u_k]$   
s.t.  $x_{k+1} = Ax_k + Bu_k, k = 0, ..., N-1$   
 $x_0 = x(0)$   
 $P \geq 0, P = P^T$  terminal weight  
 $Q \geq 0, Q = Q^T$  state weight  
 $R > 0, R = R^T$  input weight  
Batch approach: all future states represented in terms of initial condition  $x_0$  and inputs  $u_0, ..., u_{N-1}$   
$$\begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ x_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I \\ A \\ A^2 \\ \vdots \\ A^N \end{bmatrix} x(0) + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ B & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ AB & B & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ A^{N-1}B & \dots & AB & B \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_0 \\ u_1 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1} \end{bmatrix}$$
  
 $\mathbf{x} := \bar{A}x(0) + \bar{B}\mathbf{u}$   
Finite horizon cost function:  
 $J_0(x(0), \mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{x}^T \bar{Q} \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{u}^T \bar{R} \mathbf{u}$   
 $\bar{Q} := \text{blockdiag}(Q, ..., Q, P)$  and  $\bar{R} := \text{blockdiag}(R, ..., R)$   
Eliminating  $\mathbf{x}$  form  $J_0$  gives  
 $J_0(x(0), \mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{u}^T H \mathbf{u} + 2x(0)^T F \mathbf{u} + x(0)^T \bar{A}^T \bar{Q} \bar{A} x(0)$   
where  $H := \bar{B}^T \bar{Q} \bar{B} + \bar{R}$  and  $F := \bar{A}^T \bar{Q} \bar{A}$ .  
Solution by setting gradient to 0:  $\nabla_{\mathbf{u}} J_0(x(0), \mathbf{u}) = 0$   
 $\mathbf{u}^*(x(0)) = -H^{-1} F^T x(0)$   
Recursive approach: j-step optimal cost-to-go:  
 $J_j^*(x(j)) := \min_{u_j, ..., u_{N-1}} x_N^T P x_N + \sum_{k=j}^{N-1} [x_k^T Q x_k + u_k^T R u_k]$   
s.t.  $x_{k+1} = Ax_k + Bu_k, k = j, ..., N-1$   
 $x_j = x(j)$   
Solution by substituting equ. constr. in objective function and setting gradient of input to 0  
Optimal solution for time step  $k$

$u^*(k) = -(B^T P_{k+1} B + R)^{-1} B^T P_{k+1} A x(k) =: F_k x(k)$   
 $P_k$  by recursion from  $P_N = P$  (Discrete Time Riccati Equ):  
 $P_k = A^T P_{k+1} A + Q - A^T P_{k+1} B (B^T P_{k+1} B + R)^{-1} B^T P_{k+1} A$   
Optimal cost-to-go:  $J_k^*(x(0)) = x(k)^T P_k x(k)$   
Comparison:  
Batch approach: sequence of numerical values  
Recursive: dynamic programming, feedback policies  $u^*(k) = F_k x(k)$   
**1.2 Infinite Horizon Control Problem**  
RDE converges to constant  $P$ :  $P_k = P_{k+1} = P_{\infty}$ , RDE becomes ARE.  
Feedback matrix  $F_{\infty}$ : asymptotic form of LQR  
If  $(A, B)$  stabilizably and  $(Q^{1/2}, A)$  detectable, RDE converges to ARE.  
Closed-loop system is asymptotically stable with  $u(k) = F_{\infty} x(k)$   
Prove by examining cl system  $x(k+1) = (A + B F_{\infty}) x(k)$   
**State Estimation**  
Estimate previous/current/future: smoothing/filtering/prediction  
Model  $x(k+1) = Ax(k) + Bu(k) + \varepsilon_1(k); y(k) = Cx(k) + \varepsilon_2(k)$   
 $\varepsilon_1$ : Process noise;  $\varepsilon_2$ : Meas. noise. Zero mean:  $E\{\varepsilon_i(k)\} = 0$ .  
White noise has zero mean.  $R_1$  big: trus meas;  $R_2$  big: meas noisy.  
Prediction step:  $\hat{x}_{k|k-1} = A\hat{x}_{k-1|k-1} + Bu(k-1)$   
Update step:  $\hat{x}_{k|k} = \hat{x}_{k|k-1} + K(y(k) - C\hat{x}_{k|k-1})$   
State estimation error  $\hat{x}_{i|j}^e := x(i) - \hat{x}_{i|j}$   
Estimation error dynamics, only depending upon old estimates:  
 $\hat{x}_{k|k}^e := (A - KCA)\hat{x}_{k-1|k-1}^e + (I - KC)\varepsilon_1(k-1) - K\varepsilon_2(k)$   
Stability: iff eigenvalues of  $A - KCA$  strictly inside unit circle.  
Possible if  $(CA, A)$  is observable.  
**Kalman Filter**  
1. Compute the a priori estimate and - error covariance matrix  
 $\hat{x}(k|k-1) = A\hat{x}(k-1|k-1) + Bu(k-1)$   
 $P(k|k-1) = AP(k-1|k-1)A^T + R_i$   
2. Measure  $y(k)$   
3. Compute gain, new estimate and error covariance matrix  
 $K(k) = P(k|k-1)C^T (CP(k|k-1)C^T + R_2)^{-1}$   
 $\hat{x}(k|k) = \hat{x}(k|k-1) + K(k)(y(k) - C\hat{x}(k|k-1))$   
 $P(k|k) = (I - K(k)C)P(k|k-1)(I - K(k)C)^T + K(k)R_2K(k)^T$   
**2 General Optimization Problem:**  
$$\begin{array}{ll} \min_{x \in \mathcal{X}} f_0(x) & f_0: \text{Objective function} \\ \text{s.t. } f_i(x) \leq 0, h_i(x) = 0 & \mathcal{X}: \text{Domain of OF } f_0 \end{array}$$
  
(Strictly) feasible point:  
 $x \in \mathcal{X}$ , satisf. constr. (strictly),  $f_i(x)(<) \leq 0$ .

Optimal solution:  $x^* \in \mathcal{X}$  such that optimal value  $f_0(x^*) \leq f_0(x)$ .

Optimal value:  $p^* = \inf_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \{f_0(x) | f_i(x) \leq 0, h_i(x) = 0\}$ .

Minimizer: Vector  $x^*$  that achieves the minimal value.

### 2.1 Convex Optimization Problem

Optim prob is cvx, if objective function and feasible set are cvx.  $f_0, \dots, f_m$  are cvx, and  $h_i$  are affine.

### 2.2 Definition of convex set:

$\mathcal{X}$  is convex  $\Leftrightarrow \lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y \in \mathcal{X}, \forall \lambda \in [0, 1], \forall x, y \in \mathcal{X}$

Convex Sets

- Subspace  $\mathcal{X} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n | Ax = 0\}$ . Proof:  $\forall \lambda \in [0, 1], \forall x, y \in \mathcal{X}$

$$A(\lambda a + (1 - \lambda)b) = \lambda Aa + (1 - \lambda)Ab = \lambda \cdot 0 + (1 - \lambda) \cdot 0 = 0$$

- Affine space  $\mathcal{X} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n | Ax = b\}$ . Lines and planes.

- Hyperplane  $\mathcal{X} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n | a^T x = b\}$ .  $a \neq 0, a \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is the normal vector.

- Halfspace  $\mathcal{X} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n | a^T x \leq b\}, a \neq 0$ . Can be **open** ( $<$ ) or **closed** ( $\leq$ ).

- Set  $\mathcal{X}$  is a cone if  $\forall x \in \mathcal{X}$ , and  $\forall \theta > 0, \theta x \in \mathcal{X}$ .  $\theta$ : scaling factor. Pointed if it contains  $x = 0$

- Conic combination of two points  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ : any point fulfilling  $y = \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2$

for some  $\theta_1, \theta_2 > 0$ ; Convex if convex cone.

- Polyhedron: intersection of finite number of closed halfspaces:

$$\mathcal{X} = \{x | a_1^T x \leq b_1, \dots, a_m^T x \leq b_m\} = \{x | Ax \leq b\}$$

- Polytope: bounded polyhedron. A polyhedron is always cvx.

- Norm: function  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfying

1.)  $f(0) \geq 0$  and  $f(x) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$ .

2.)  $f(tx) = |t|f(x), t$  scalar

3.)  $f(x + y) \leq f(x) + f(y), \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$l_p \text{ norm } \|x\|_p := [\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p]^{1/p}$$

$p = 1$ : Sum of abs values;

$p = \infty$ : largest abs value  $\|x\|_\infty := \max_i |x_i|$

- Norm ball:  $\{x | \|x - x_c\| \leq r\}, r \geq 0$ .

- Ellipsoid:  $\{x | (x - x_c)^T A^{-1} (x - x_c) \leq 1\}, x_c$  center,  $A > 0$ .

- Euclidean ball:  $\{x | \|x - x_c\|_2 \leq r\}$ . (Ellipse with  $A = r^2 I$ ).

- Intersection  $\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{Y}$  of two convex sets is convex:

For any  $\lambda \in [0, 1], \lambda a + (1 - \lambda)b$  is in both  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{Y}$ .

Therefore  $\lambda a + (1 - \lambda)b \in \mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{Y}, \forall \lambda \in [0, 1]$

Set of points  $C \triangleq \{x | \dots \forall y \in Q\} : C = \bigcap_{y \in Q} C_y$

- Convex hull: set of all convex combinations of points in  $\mathcal{X}$ .

- Union  $\mathcal{X} \cup \mathcal{Y}$  is not convex in general.

### 2.3 Definition of convex function:

A function  $f : \text{dom}(f) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is convex iff its domain  $\text{dom}(f)$  is cvx and  $f(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y) \leq \lambda f(x) + (1 - \lambda)f(y)$

$$\forall \lambda \in [0, 1], \forall x, y \in \text{dom}(f),$$

-  $f$  is concave iff  $-f$  is convex.

1st-order condition for convexity

Differentiable function  $f : \text{dom}(f) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with cvx domain is cvx iff  $f(y) \geq f(x) + \nabla f(x)^T (y - x), \forall x, y \in \text{dom}(f)$

2nd-order condition for convexity

Function  $f : \text{dom}(f) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is cvx iff  $\text{dom}(f)$  is cvx and

$$\text{Hessian } \frac{\partial^2 f(x)}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} = \nabla^2 f(x) \geq 0, \forall x \in \text{dom}(f)$$

- Epigraph:  $\text{epi}(f) = \{[x \ t]^T | x \in \text{dom}(f), f(x) \leq t\} \subseteq \text{dom}(f) \times \mathbb{R}$

A function is convex iff its epigraph is cvx

- SubLevel set  $L_\alpha = \{x | x \in \text{dom}(f), f(x) \leq \alpha\}$

$f$  is cvx  $\Rightarrow$  sublevel sets of  $f$  are cvx  $\forall \alpha$ . But not  $\Leftarrow$ !

$f$  is quasi-cvx iff  $\text{dom}(f)$  is cvx and all sublevel sets of  $f$  are cvx.

Convexity-preserving operations

- Non-negative weighted sum:  $f$  is cvx  $\Rightarrow \alpha f, \forall \alpha \geq 0$  is cvx.

- Composition with affine function:

$f$  is cvx  $\Rightarrow f(Ax + b)$  is cvx.

- Pointwise (Pw) max:

If  $f_1, \dots, f_m$  are cvx,  $\Rightarrow f(x) = \max\{f_1, \dots, f_m\}$  is cvx.

- Pw sup: If  $f(x, y)$  is cvx in  $x, \forall y$ , then  $g(x) = \sup_{y \in \mathcal{Y}} f(x, y)$  is cvx.

- Min: If  $f(x, y)$  is cvx in  $(x, y)$  and  $\mathcal{C}$  is cvx, then  $g(x) = \min_{y \in \mathcal{C}} f(x, y)$  is cvx.

### 2.4 Optimality Criterion for Differentiable $f_0$

For cvx problem,  $x$  is optimal iff it is feasible and

$$\nabla f_0(x)^T (y - x) \geq 0, \forall \text{ feasible } y$$

$$a^T b = |a||b| \cos \angle(a, b)$$

Angle between gradient and any vector in the set is  $< 90^\circ$ .

Equivalent Optimization Problems:

Introducing equality constraints

$$\min_x f_0(A_0 x + b_0) \quad \min_x f_0(y_0) \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, m$$

$$\text{s.t. } f_i(A_i x + b_i) \leq 0, i = 1, \dots, m \quad \text{s.t. } f_i(y_i) \leq 0, A_i x + b_i = y_i$$

Introducing slack variables

$$\min_x f_0(x) \quad \min_x f_0(y_0) \quad i = 1, \dots, m$$

$$\text{s.t. } A_i x \leq b_i, i = 1, \dots, m \quad \text{s.t. } A_i x + s_i = b_i, s_i \geq 0$$

Example Linear Programs

-Constrained  $l_\infty$  minimization:

$$\min_x \|Ax - b\|_\infty \quad \min_{x, t} t$$

$$\text{s.t. } Fx \leq g \quad \text{s.t. } Ax - b \leq t \cdot \mathbf{1}, Ax - b \geq -t \cdot \mathbf{1}, Fx \leq g$$

-Constrained  $l_1$  minimization:

$$\min_x \|Ax - b\|_1 \quad \min_{x, y} \mathbf{1}^T y$$

$$\text{s.t. } Fx \leq g \quad \text{s.t. } Ax - b \leq y, Ax - b \geq -y, Fx \leq g$$

**Lagrangian Function:**  $L : \mathcal{X} \times \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$L(x, \lambda, \nu) = f_0(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i f_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^p \nu_i h_i(x)$$

Lagrange Dual function  $g : \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^p$

$$g(\lambda, \nu) = \inf_{x \in \mathcal{X}} L(x, \lambda, \nu)$$

$g(\lambda, \nu)$  pointwise infimum of affine functions.

dual generates lower bounds for  $p^* : g(\lambda, \nu) \leq p^*, \forall (\lambda \geq 0, \nu \in \mathbb{R}^p)$ .

Procedure: 1.) Compute Lagrangian  $L(x, \lambda, \nu)$

2.) Minimize it by setting gradient to 0:  $\nabla L(x, \lambda, \nu) = 0 \Rightarrow x^*$

3.) Substitute  $x$  back into  $L$  to get dual function  $g(\lambda, \nu)$

4.) Lower bound property  $p^* : g(\lambda, \nu) \leq p^*, \forall (\lambda \geq 0)$

Dual Problem: maximize dual function:

$$\max_{\lambda, \nu} g(\lambda, \nu) \quad \text{s.t. } \lambda \geq 0$$

- Properties: Dual prob is convex, even if primal is not

- Optimal value  $d^* \leq p^*$

- Point  $(\lambda, \nu)$  is dual feasible if  $\lambda \geq 0$  and  $(\lambda, \nu) \in \text{dom } g$

Weak duality: it is always true that  $d^* \leq p^*$ ;

duality gap:  $d^* - p^*$

Strong duality:  $d^* = p^*$  often for cvx problems, check by

Slater condition: if there exists one strictly feasible point inside:

$$\{x | Ax = b, f_i(x) < 0, \forall i \in \{1, \dots, m\}\} \neq \emptyset$$

If strong duality holds:  $d^* = p^* \Rightarrow g(\lambda^*, \nu^*) = f_0(x^*)$

### 2.5 Karush-Kuhn-Tucker Conditions:

$$1.) \text{ Primal feasibility} \quad f_i(x^*) \leq 0, h_i(x^*) = 0$$

$$2.) \text{ Dual feasibility} \quad \lambda^* \geq 0$$

$$3.) \text{ Complementary Slackness} \quad \lambda_i^* f_i(x^*) = 0$$

$$4.) \text{ Stationarity} \quad \nabla_x L(x^*, \lambda^*, \nu^*) = \nabla_x f_0(x^*) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^* \nabla_x f_i(x^*) + \sum_{i=1}^p \nu_i^* \nabla_x h_i(x^*) = 0$$

## 3 MPC as QP

with constraints

$$E_u u \leq f_u; E_x x \leq f_x \quad \Rightarrow \quad \bar{E}_u \mathbf{u} \leq \bar{f}_u; \bar{E}_x \mathbf{x} \leq \bar{f}_x;$$

$$\bar{E}_u = \text{blockdiag}(E_u, \dots, E_u); \bar{f}_u = [f_u, \dots, f_u]^T$$

$$\bar{f}_x = [f_x, \dots, f_x]^T$$

$$\bar{E}_x = \begin{bmatrix} E_x & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & E_x & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Asymmetric, as} \\ \text{constraints on } x \text{ normally} \\ \text{defined for } k \in \{0, \dots, N-1\} \end{array}$$

Vectorized MPC QP problem

$$\min_{\mathbf{u}} \mathbf{u}^T [\bar{R} + \bar{B}^T \bar{Q} \bar{B}] \mathbf{u} + 2 \mathbf{u}^T \bar{B}^T \bar{Q} \bar{A} x_0$$

$$\text{s.t. } \begin{pmatrix} \bar{E}_u \\ \bar{E}_x \bar{B} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{u} \leq \begin{pmatrix} \bar{f}_u \\ \bar{f}_x - \bar{E}_x \bar{A} x_0 \end{pmatrix}$$

MPC, LP  $p = 1$ :  $\min \sum (\|Qx\|_1) + (\|Rx\|_1), \text{ s.t.} \dots$

Introduce vectors  $(Z_x, Z_u)$  to model abs values of  $(\bar{Q}\mathbf{x}, \bar{R}\mathbf{u})$ .

$$\min_{\mathbf{u}} \mathbf{1}^T Z_x + \mathbf{1}^T Z_u$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{pmatrix} \bar{E}_u \\ \bar{E}_x B \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{u} \leq \begin{pmatrix} \bar{f}_u \\ \bar{f}_x - \bar{E}_x \bar{A} x(0) \end{pmatrix} \\ \text{s.t. } & -Z_x \leq \bar{Q}(\bar{A}x_0 + \bar{B}\mathbf{u}) \leq Z_x \\ & -Z_u \leq \bar{R}\mathbf{u} \leq Z_u \end{aligned}$$

MPC, LP  $p = \infty$ :  $\min \sum (\|Qx\|_\infty) + (\|Rx\|_\infty)$ , s.t...

Intro scalars  $(Z_x, Z_u)$  to model largest abs vals of  $(\bar{Q}\mathbf{x}, \bar{R}\mathbf{u})$ .

$$\begin{aligned} & \min_{\mathbf{u}} Z_x + Z_u \\ & \begin{pmatrix} \bar{E}_u \\ \bar{E}_x B \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{u} \leq \begin{pmatrix} \bar{f}_u \\ \bar{f}_x - \bar{E}_x \bar{A} x(0) \end{pmatrix} \\ \text{s.t. } & -\mathbf{1}Z_x \leq \bar{Q}(\bar{A}x_0 + \bar{B}\mathbf{u}) \leq \mathbf{1}Z_x \\ & -\mathbf{1}Z_u \leq \bar{R}\mathbf{u} \leq \mathbf{1}Z_u \end{aligned}$$

#### Linear or Quadratic

Linear: - Easy to compute; Sol may not be unique; Far from origin: conservative; close to origin: discontinuity, dead-beat behaviour, jitter

Quadratic: - Connection to LQR; Sol unique; Far from origin: large inputs; close to origin: smooth action

#### Reference Tracking

- Regulation: Reject disturbances around fix point

- Tracking: make output follow reference signal

- For prediction, model reference as constants:  $r(k+j) = r(k), j \geq 0$

Steady State computation

$$\begin{bmatrix} (I-A) & -B \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_{ss} \\ u_{ss} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ r \end{pmatrix}$$

Resulting optimal control problem

$$V(x) := \min_{\mathbf{u}} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} (x_i - x_{ss})^T Q (x_i - x_{ss}) + (u_i - u_{ss})^T R (u_i - u_{ss}) \text{ s.t. } x_{i+1} = Ax_i + Bu_i, x_0 = x, x_i \in \mathbb{X}, u_i \in \mathbb{U}, \forall i \in \{0, \dots, N-1\}$$

#### 3.1 Stability & Feasibility

Stability not guaranteed. Check stab and feas a priori, derive conditions for all  $Q$  and  $R$  (conservative) or..

Constraints to ensure stability:

- Infinite prediction horizon:  $N \rightarrow \infty$

- (Relaxed) Terminal state constraint:  $x_N = 0, (x_N \in \mathbb{X}_N)$

Common idea: Use optimal value function  $V^*(x)$  as Lyapunov function.

Assumption: Objective  $f_0(x)$  positive definite, radially unbounded,  $f_0(0) = 0$

To work out, 1.) terminal state and control constraints hold in terminal set:  $\mathbb{X}_n \subseteq \mathbb{X}, x \in \mathbb{X}_n \Rightarrow K(x) \in \mathbb{U}$

2.) Terminal set invariant with controller:

$$x \in \mathbb{X}_n \Rightarrow f(x, K(x)) \in \mathbb{X}_n$$

3.) the infinite horizon cost has to be bounded by a terminal cost:  $\sum_{i=N}^{\infty} l(x_i, K(x_i)) \leq \Psi(x_N)$

Recursive feasibility:

1.) Assume feasibility at  $k$  with  $[u_0^*, \dots, u_{N-1}^*]$

2.) A feas sol at  $k+1$  is  $[\hat{u}_0, \dots, \hat{u}_{N-1}] = [u_1^*, \dots, u_{N-1}^*, K(x_N^*)]$

3.) Associated feasible state trajectory:

$$[\hat{x}_0, \dots, \hat{x}_N] = [x_1^*, \dots, x_{N-1}^*, f(x_N^*, K(x_N^*))]$$

4.) Shifted states/inputs guaranteed to satisfy all constraints!

Stability proof:

$$V^*(x(k+1)) \leq ..$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} l(x_i^*, u_i^*) + \Psi(x_N^*) && \text{Previous optimal cost} \\ & - \Psi(x_N^*) - l(x_0^*, u_0^*) && \text{Terms dropped by shifting} \\ & l(x_N^*, K(x_N^*)) + \Psi(f(x_N^*, K(x_N^*))) && \text{Terms added} \end{aligned}$$

It follows:  $V^*(x(k+1)) \leq V^*(x(k)) - l(x_0^*, u_0^*)$

(with the Lyapunov condition:)

$$\Psi(f(x, K(x))) - \Psi(x) \leq -l(x, K(x)) \forall x \in \mathbb{X}_N$$

This tends to zero, so cost tends to zero, so  $x(k) \rightarrow 0$ .

Choice of terminal weight  $P$ :  $\Psi(x) = x^T P x$

1.) Linear, unconstrained and stable system with quadratic cost: Controller:  $K(x) = 0$ , terminal constraint  $\mathbb{X}_N = \mathbb{R}^n$ . Determine  $P$  from Lyapunov equation.

2.) Linear, constrained, unstable sys. with quadratic cost: Controller  $K(x) = Kx$  (any stabilizing contr), terminal set  $\mathbb{X}_n$ : invariant set for  $x(k+1) = (A+BK)x$ . Make  $P$  equal optimal cost to go from  $N$  to  $\infty$  by solution of ARE. Assumes no constraints are active after  $N$ .

3.) Desire of state and input = zero at end. No  $P$  but constraint  $x_{k+N} = 0$ .

#### 3.2 Linear Integer Inequalities

Linear Integer Inequalities can represent logical propositions

Idea: associate to each boolean variable  $p_i$  a binary integer variable  $\delta_i$ :  $p_i \Leftrightarrow \{\delta_i = 1\}$ ,  $\neg p_i \Leftrightarrow \{\delta_i = 0\}$

For a logic proposition  $\Omega(p_i)$  it is always possible to define a set of linear inequalities:  $A\delta \leq B, \delta \in \{0, 1\}^n$

Analytic approach

Conjunctive normal form (CNF)

$$\Omega(p_i) = \bigwedge_j [\bigvee_j p_i]$$

Logic proposition in CNF into algebraic inequalities

$$\neg p_i, \quad 1 - \delta_i, \quad \text{Not}$$

$$p_i \vee p_j, \quad \delta_i + \delta_j \geq 1, \quad \text{Or}$$

$$p_i \wedge p_j, \quad \delta_i + \delta_j \geq 2, \quad \text{And}$$

$$p_i \Rightarrow p_j, \quad \delta_i - \delta_j \geq 0, \quad \text{if } p_i \text{ then } p_j$$

$$p_i \Leftrightarrow p_j, \quad \delta_i - \delta_j = 0, \quad \text{logic equality}$$

Rules

$$\neg(A \wedge B) \neq A \vee \neg B$$

$$A \wedge (B \vee C) = (A \wedge B) \vee (A \wedge C)$$

$$A \vee (B \wedge C) = (A \vee B) \wedge (A \vee C)$$

Geometric approach

Idea: Polytope  $\mathcal{P} = \{\delta \in \{0, 1\}^n | A\delta \leq B\}$  is the convex hull of the rows of the truth table of proposition  $\Omega(p_i)$ .

Combining logic rules and continuous dynamics

e.g.  $p \Leftrightarrow a^T x \leq b, \mathcal{X} = \{x | a^T x - b \in [m, M]\}$ .

Bounds  $m, M$  have to be specified. Translated to linear inequalities:

$$a^T x - b \leq M(1 - \delta)$$

$$a^T x - b > m\delta$$

**MPC for Hybrid Systems** Quadratic norm constrained finite time optimal control problem

$$J^*(x_t) = \min_U \|x_{t+N}\|_P + \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \|x_{t+k}\|_{Q_x}^2 + \|u_{t+k}\|_{Q_u}^2 + \|\delta_{t+k}\|_{Q_\delta}^2 + \|z_{t+k}\|_{Q_z}^2,$$

$$\text{s.t. } \begin{cases} x_{t+k+1} = Ax_{t+k} + B_1 u_{t+k} + B_2 \delta_{t+k} + B_3 z_{t+k} \\ E_2 \delta_{t+k} + E_3 z_{t+k} \leq E_4 x_{t+k} + E_1 u_{t+k} + E_5 \\ x_{t+N} \in \mathcal{X} \end{cases}$$

Mixed Logical Dynamical (MLD) Model

see optimization problem before, with  $k = 0$ .

Piecewise Affine (PWA) System

- polyhedral partition of the  $(x, u)$ -space:

$$\{\mathcal{D}^i\}_{i=1}^D := \{(x_t) | P_x^i x_t + P_u^i u_t \leq P_c^i\}$$

- affine dynamics in each region:

$$\begin{cases} x_{t+1} = A^i x_t + B^i u_t + f^i \\ y_t = C^i x_t + D^i u_t + g^i \end{cases} \text{ if } x_t \in \mathcal{D}^i$$

- any well-posed (for a given  $[x_t^T u_t^T]^T \Rightarrow x_{t+1}, y_t$  are uniquely determined) PWA system can be represented by an MLD system, assuming that the set of feasible states and inputs is bounded.

- a completely well-posed (well-posed + uniquely determined  $\delta_t, z_t \forall [x_t^T u_t^T]^T$ ) MLD can be written as a PWA system.

## 4 Numerical Optimization Methods

### 4.1 Unconstrained Optimization

**Algorithm performance Measurements** • Convergence:

is  $m$  finite for every  $\epsilon, \delta > 0$

• Convergence speed: dependence of errors  $f(x_m) - f(x^*)$  and

$\text{dist}(x_m, \mathbb{Q})$

• Feasibility: For some methods  $\delta = 0$ , but in general  $\delta \neq 0$

• Numerical robustness: Robustness in presence of finite precision arithmetics

• Warm starting: Improve performance by initializing Algorithm  $x_0$  near  $x^*$

• Preconditioning: Transform problem  $P$  into transformed Problem  $\tilde{P}$

**Gradient Method**

<i>Set</i>	$x_0$
<i>Repeat</i>	$x_{i+1} = x_i - \frac{1}{L} \cdot \nabla f(x_i)$
<i>until</i>	$f(x^m) - f(x^*) \leq \epsilon_1 \text{ or } \ x_m - x_{m-1}\  \leq \epsilon_2$

Convergence  $m \sim \mathcal{O}(L\|x_o - x^*\|^2/\epsilon_1)$

Assumptions:

- $\nabla f$  is Lipschitz-continuous with Lipschitz constant  $L$ :  
 $\|\nabla f(x) - \nabla f(y)\| \leq L\|x - y\| \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$
- $f$  can be upper bounded by a quadratic function:  
 $f(x) \leq f(y) + \nabla f(y)^T(x - y) + \frac{L}{2}\|x - y\|^2 = \bar{f}(x, y), \forall x, y$

Convergence:

$$f(x_{i-1}) \leq \bar{f}(x_{i-1}, x_i) \leq \bar{f}(x_i, x_i) = f(x_i)$$

**Strong convexity:**  $f(x)$  upper and lower bounded

$$\bar{f}(x, y)|_{L=\mu} \leq f(x) \leq \bar{f}(x, y)|_{L=L}$$

For  $f(x) = x^T H x$ :  $L = \max(\text{eig}(H))$ ,  $\mu = \min(\text{eig}(H))$ .

Condition number:  $\kappa \triangleq \frac{L}{\mu}$ .

problem badly conditioned (slow convergence):  $\kappa \geq 1$

**Fast Gradient Method**

<i>Set</i>	$x_0, y_0 = x_0$ and $\alpha_0 = (\sqrt{5} - 1)/2$
<i>Repeat</i>	$x_{i+1} = y_i - \frac{1}{L} \cdot \nabla f(x_i)$ $\alpha_{i+1} = \alpha_i(\sqrt{\alpha_i^2 + 4} - \alpha_i)/2$ $\beta_i = \frac{\alpha_i(1 - \alpha_i)}{\alpha_i^2 + \alpha_{i+1}}$ $y_{i+1} = x_{i+1} + \beta_i(x_{i+1} - x_i) \text{ for } i = 0, \dots, m$
<i>until</i>	$f(x^m) - f(x^*) \leq \epsilon_1 \text{ or } \ x_m - x_{m-1}\  \leq \epsilon_2$

Convergence  $m \sim \mathcal{O}(\sqrt{L}\|x_o - x^*\|^2/\epsilon_1)$

**Newtons Method:**

Min of 2nd-order approx of  $f$  at point  $x_i$

$$x_{i+1} = \min f(x_i) + \nabla f(x_i)^T v + 1/2 v^T \nabla^2 f(x_i) v; v = (x - x_i)$$

$$x_{i+1} = x_i + h_i \Delta x_{nt}$$

Newton direction:  $\Delta x_{nt} = -(\nabla^2 f(x_i))^{-1} \nabla f(x_i)$

Finding  $h_i$  is not as easy as in other cases:

Exact way: Compute optimal  $h_i$ :  $h_i^* = \underset{h>0}{\operatorname{argmin}} f(x_i + h_i \Delta x_{nt})$

Inexact: Find  $h_i$  that decreases  $f$  by some %, for example:

Backtracking:  $\alpha \in (0, 0.05)$ ,  $\beta \in (0, 1)$

**while**  $f(x_i + h_i \Delta x_{nt}) > f(x_i) + \alpha h_i \nabla f(x_i)^T \Delta x_{nt}$  **do**  $h_i \leftarrow \beta h_i$

**4.2 Constrained Optimization**

Constraint GM = GM + projection  $\pi_Q(\cdot)$  on feasible set.

**Gradient method:**  $x_{i+1} = \pi_Q(x_i - \frac{1}{L} \cdot \nabla f(x_i))$

**Fast gradient method** with:  $x_{i+1} = \pi_Q(y_i - \frac{1}{L} \cdot \nabla f(x_i))$

- If  $\pi_Q(\cdot)$  easy to compute: very fast algo.

- If  $\pi_Q(\cdot)$  only computed numerically: solve also dual -> slower.

Cheap sets: hyperplane, affine set, halfspace, 1&2-norm ball...

**Interior Point Method** Unconstrained problem, where constraints are moved to objective via indicator functions  $\Phi$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \min f(x) & \Leftrightarrow x^*(\kappa) = \min f(x) + \kappa \Phi(x) \\ \text{s.t. } g_i(x) & \leq 0, i = 1, \dots, m \end{aligned}$$

With the **barrier function**:  $\Phi(x) = -\sum_{i=1}^m \log(-g_i(x))$

Central path:  $\{x^*(\kappa) | \kappa > 0\}$ : optimal solution for all  $\kappa > 0$ .

Approximation improves as  $\kappa \rightarrow 0$

Barrier interior-point method: follow central path to optimal solution .

Start with: strictly feasible  $x_0, \kappa_0, \mu > 1$

- repeat
1. Centering step: compute  $x^*(\kappa_i)$
  2. update  $x_i = x^*(\kappa_i)$
  3. stop if  $m\kappa_i < 0$  ( duality gap)
  4. Decrease barrier parameter :  $\kappa_{i+1} = \kappa_i/\mu$

## 5 Parametric Programming

Parametric programming is a way to evade solving a MPC programm online, but rather moving the computational effort offline. For this approach, the feasible set is divided in subsets for which the same constraints are active: **Critical Regions**: Subset of paramet set, where local optimality conditions (KKT) do not change (same constraints are active).

$\theta \in \mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ : vector of parameters.

### 5.1 Multi-parametric Linear Problem (mpLP)

For linear problems of the following form.

**Primal Problem:**

$$J^*(\theta) = \min_z c^T z \quad \text{s.t. } Gz \leq W + S\theta$$

**Dual Problem**

$$\max_{\pi} (W + S\theta)^T \pi \quad \text{s.t. } G^T \pi = c, \quad \pi \leq 0$$

Active and inactive sets are defined as follows:

Active indices:  $\mathcal{A}(\theta) = \{i \in \mathcal{I} | \forall z : J(z, \theta) = J^*(\theta) \Rightarrow G_i z - S_i \theta - W_i = 0\}$

Inactive indices:  $\mathcal{N}(\theta) = \{i \in \mathcal{I} | \forall z : J(z, \theta) = J^*(\theta) \wedge G_i z - S_i \theta - W_i < 0\}$

The algorithm for finding the regions contains 3 steps:

#### 1. Step

For an initial vector  $\theta_0$  solve Primal and Dual problem: Find  $z^*$  and  $\pi^*$

Obtain sets of inactive and active constraints:

Obtain sets  $\mathcal{A}(\theta_0)$  and  $\mathcal{N}(\theta_0)$

$$G_{\mathcal{A}}, S_{\mathcal{A}}, W_{\mathcal{A}} = \{G_i, S_i, W_i | i \in \mathcal{A}\}$$

$$G_{\mathcal{N}}, S_{\mathcal{N}}, W_{\mathcal{N}} = \{G_i, S_i, W_i | i \in \mathcal{N}\}$$

#### 2. Step

Compute optimizer:  $z^*(\theta) = G_{\mathcal{A}}^{-1} S_{\mathcal{A}} \theta + G_{\mathcal{A}}^{-1} W_{\mathcal{A}} = F_0 \theta + g_0$

Critical Region:  $\mathcal{CR}_0 = \{\theta | (G_{\mathcal{N}} F_0 - S_{\mathcal{N}}) < W_{\mathcal{N}} - G_{\mathcal{N}} \cdot g_0$

#### 3. Step

Explore rest of  $\mathcal{X}$  for example by reversing inequalities (may yield overlapping or artificially splitted Regions) or by just

going to a boundary and crossing it by going in direction of gradient by some (empirical) delta.

### 5.2 Multi Parametric Quadratic Problem mpQP

**Primal Problem:**

$$J^*(\theta) = \min_z 1/2 \cdot z^T H z \quad \text{s.t. } Gz \leq W + S\theta$$

#### 1. Step

- Solve QP for one  $\theta_0$ , obtain optimizer  $z^*(\theta)$
- Identify indices of active  $\mathcal{A}(\theta)$  and inactive  $\mathcal{N}(\theta)$  sets and corresponding matrices  $\{G_i, S_i, W_i\}_{\mathcal{A}}$  and  $\{G_i, S_i, W_i\}_{\mathcal{N}}$ .

#### 2. Step

Compute  $z^*(\theta)$ ,  $\lambda^*(\theta)$  and  $\mathcal{CR}_0$ :

$$z^*(\theta) = H^{-1} G_{\mathcal{A}}^T (G_{\mathcal{A}} H^{-1} G_{\mathcal{A}}^T)^{-1} (W_{\mathcal{A}} + S_{\mathcal{A}} \theta)$$

$$\lambda^*(\theta) = -(G_{\mathcal{A}} H^{-1} G_{\mathcal{A}}^T)^{-1} (W_{\mathcal{A}} + S_{\mathcal{A}} \theta)$$

$$\mathcal{CR}_0 = \{\theta | A\theta \leq b\}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} GH^{-1} G_{\mathcal{A}}^T (G_{\mathcal{A}} H^{-1} G_{\mathcal{A}}^T)^{-1} S_{\mathcal{A}} - S \\ (G_{\mathcal{A}} H^{-1} G_{\mathcal{A}}^T)^{-1} S_{\mathcal{A}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b = \begin{bmatrix} W + GH^{-1} G_{\mathcal{A}}^T (G_{\mathcal{A}} H^{-1} G_{\mathcal{A}}^T)^{-1} W_{\mathcal{A}} \\ (G_{\mathcal{A}} H^{-1} G_{\mathcal{A}}^T)^{-1} W_{\mathcal{A}} \end{bmatrix}$$

#### 3. Step

Explore Rest of  $\mathcal{X}$  analogously to mpLP.

## 6 Calculation Rules:

$$(A \cdot b)^T = b^T \cdot A^T$$

$$(A \cdot b)^{-1} = b^{-1} \cdot A^{-1}$$

$$(A^{-1})^T = (A^T)^{-1}$$

$$\nabla_x (x^T \cdot b) = \nabla_x (b^T \cdot x) = b$$

$$\nabla_x (b \cdot x) = b^T$$

$$\nabla_x (x^T \cdot Q \cdot x) = 2 \cdot Q \cdot x, \quad Q \succeq 0$$

$$x^T \cdot A^T \cdot Q \cdot A \cdot x = (x^T \cdot A^T \cdot Q \cdot A \cdot x)^T, \quad Q \succeq 0$$

$$Q = Q^T, \quad Q \succeq 0$$

$$\det(A \cdot B) = \det(A) \cdot \det(B)$$

$$\det(A^T) = \det(A)$$

$$\det(A^{-1}) = 1/\det(A)$$

$$\{-1, 1\} : \text{either -1, or 1}$$

$$[1, 2[: \text{values from including 1 to excluding 2}$$