

Model Predictive Control

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1 Linear Systems

A Model of a system is usually continuous and and nonlinear. But in MPC discrete and linear systems are needed. Nonlinear System:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= f(x, u) \\ y &= g(x, u)\end{aligned}$$

Linearize it at: $\dot{x}_s = f(x_s, u_s) = 0, y_s = g(x_s, u_s)$

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} - \dot{x}_s &= \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \bigg|_{\substack{x=x_s \\ u=u_s}} (x - x_s) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} \bigg|_{\substack{x=x_s \\ u=u_s}} (u - u_s) \\ y - y_s &= \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} \bigg|_{\substack{x=x_s \\ u=u_s}} (x - x_s) + \frac{\partial g}{\partial u} \bigg|_{\substack{x=x_s \\ u=u_s}} (u - u_s)\end{aligned}$$

Which gives us:

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta \dot{x} &= A^c \Delta x + B^c \Delta u \\ \Delta y &= C \Delta x + D \Delta u\end{aligned}$$

The Δ 's are usually omitted. Then we discretize the system:

$$\begin{aligned}x(t_{k+1}) &= e^{A^c T_s} x(t_k) + \int_{t_k}^{t_{k+1}} e^{A^c(t_{k+1}-\tau)} B^c d\tau u(t_k) \\ x(t_{k+1}) &= A x(t_k) + B u(t_k)\end{aligned}$$

Integrating from t_k to t_{k+1} is the same as from 0 to T_s . Other matrices stay the same.

1.1 Analysis of LTI discrete Systems

1.1.1 Stability

System is asymptotically stable if $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x(k) = 0 \forall x(0)$. Necessary and sufficient condition: All eigenvalues of A are $|\lambda_i| < 1 \forall i$. Only for LTI discrete systems.

For general systems: Global Lyapunov Stability.

Consider Equilibrium point $x = 0$ of system $x(k+1) = f(x(k))$. If a function $V : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ exists, such that:

$$\begin{aligned}\|x\| \rightarrow \infty &\Rightarrow V(x) \rightarrow \infty \\ V(0) &= 0 \quad \text{and} \quad V(x) > 0 \forall x \neq 0 \\ V(x(k+1)) - V(x(k)) &< 0 \forall x \neq 0\end{aligned}$$

then $x = 0$ is globally asymptotically stable. For linear systems we can take $V(x) = x^T P x$ and get the discrete time Lyapunov equation (solvable only if eigenvalues of A inside unit circle):

$$A^T P A - P = -Q, \quad Q > 0$$

Can calculate infinite horizon cost to go with P :

$$\Psi(x(0)) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} x(k)^T Q x(k) = x(0)^T P x(0)$$

1.1.2 Controllability

System is controllable if it can be controlled from any state to any state in finite time. Controllable if C is full rank:

$$\text{rank}(C) = \text{rank}(B \ AB \ \dots \ A^{n-1}B) = n$$

1.1.3 Observability

For any state we can distinguish the initial state by the measurements.

$$\text{rank}(O) = \text{rank}(C^T \ (CA)^T \ \dots \ (CA^{n-1})^T) = n$$

2 LQR Control

General finite horizon optimal control problem:

$$\begin{aligned}J_0^*(x(0)) &= \min_{U_0} p(x_N) + \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} q(x_k, u_k) \\ \text{subject to} \quad &x_{k+1} = g(x_k, u_k), \quad k = 0, \dots, N-1 \\ &h(x_k, u_k) \leq 0, \quad k = 0, \dots, N-1 \\ &x_n \in \mathcal{X}_f \\ &x_0 = x(0)\end{aligned}$$

Linear Quadratic Optimal Control for LTI discrete systems:

$$\begin{aligned}J_0^*(x(0)) &= \min_{U_0} x_N^T P x_N + \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x_k^T Q x_k + u_k^T R u_k \\ \text{subject to} \quad &x_{k+1} = A x_k + B u_k, \quad k = 0, \dots, N-1 \\ &x_0 = x(0)\end{aligned}$$

2.1 Finite Time Horizon

2.1.1 Batch Approach

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_0 \\ x_1 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ x_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I \\ A \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ A^N \end{bmatrix} x(0) + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ B & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ AB & B & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ A^{N-1}B & \dots & AB & B \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_0 \\ u_1 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

Simplified: $\mathcal{X} = S^x x(0) + S^u U_0$. Then define cost function

$$J_0 x(0), U_0 = \mathcal{X}^T \bar{Q} \mathcal{X} + U_0^T \bar{R} U_0$$

With $\bar{Q} = \text{blockdiag}(Q, \dots, Q, P)$, $\bar{R} = \text{blockdiag}(R, \dots, R)$ we get the optimal input sequence and optimal cost:

$$\begin{aligned}U_0^*(x(0)) &= -(S^{uT} \bar{Q} S^u + \bar{R})^{-1} S^{uT} \bar{Q} S^x x(0) \\ J_0^*(x(0)) &= x(0)^T (S^{xT} \bar{Q} S^x - \dots \\ &\quad \dots S^{xT} \bar{Q} S^u (S^{uT} \bar{Q} S^u - \bar{R})^{-1} S^{uT} \bar{Q} S^x) x(0)\end{aligned}$$

2.1.2 Recursive Approach

$$\begin{aligned}u^*(k) &= -(B^T P_{k+1} B + R)^{-1} B^T P_{k+1} A x(k) \\ J_k^*(x(k)) &= x(k)^T P_k x(k) \\ P_k &= A^T P_{k+1} A + Q - \dots \\ &\quad \dots A^T P_{k+1} B (B^T P_{k+1} B + R)^{-1} B^T P_{k+1} A\end{aligned}$$

Is a feedback controller as opposed to the Batch Approach. Last equation is the Riccati Difference Equation.

2.2 Infinite Time Horizon

Take above equations from the recursive approach and replace N , k and $k+1$ with ∞ .

3 Uncertainty Modeling

System with $w(k)$ as noise/disturbance input:

$$\begin{aligned}x_p(k+1) &= A_p x(k) + B_p u(k) + F_p w(k) \\ y(k) &= C_p x_p(k) + G_p w(k)\end{aligned}$$

Stochastic Process (colored noise) with $\varepsilon(k)$ as white noise:

$$\begin{aligned}x_w(k+1) &= A_w x_w(k) + B_w \varepsilon(k) \\ w(k) &= C_w x_w(k) + \varepsilon(k)\end{aligned}$$

If mean of noise shifts, integrate $\varepsilon(k)$ and use $\varepsilon_{\text{int}}(k)$ as input.

4 State Estimation

Want to observe the state of a linear system with disturbance noise ε_1 and measurement noise ε_2 with variances R_1, R_2 .

Estimator structure:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{x}_{k|k-1} &= A \hat{x}_{k-1|k-1} + B u_{k-1} \\ \hat{x}_{k|k} &= \hat{x}_{k|k-1} + K_k (y(k) - C \hat{x}_{k|k-1})\end{aligned}$$

Error dynamics:

$$x_{k|k}^e = (A - K_k C A) x_{k-1|k-1}^e + (I - K_k C) \varepsilon_1(k-1) - K_k \varepsilon_2(k)$$

Errors go to zero (stable) if $|\text{eig}(A - K C A)| < 1$

4.1 Kalman Filter

Initialize estimate $\hat{x}_{0|0}$ and $P_{0|0}$. Compute filter gain K_k and error covariance matrix $P_{k|k}$ (online or in advance):

$$\begin{aligned} P_{k|k-1} &= AP_{k-1|k-1}A^T + R_1 \\ K_k &= P_{k|k-1}C^T(CP_{k|k-1}C^T + R_2)^{-1} \\ P_{k|k} &= (I - K_kC)P_{k|k-1} \end{aligned}$$

Compute the a priori estimate:

$$\hat{x}_{k|k-1} = A\hat{x}_{k-1|k-1} + Bu(k-1)$$

Get measurement $y(k)$ and compute new estimate:

$$\hat{x}_{k|k} = \hat{x}_{k|k-1} + K_k(y(k) - C\hat{x}_{k|k-1})$$

Increment k .

P_∞ satisfies ARE:

$$P_\infty = AP_\infty A^T - AP_\infty C^T (CP_\infty C^T + R_2)^{-1} CP_\infty A^T + R_1$$

5 Convex Optimization

General Optimization Problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \quad & f_0(x) \\ \text{subject to:} \quad & f_i(x) \leq 0 \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ & h_i(x) = 0 \quad i = 1, \dots, p \end{aligned}$$

5.1 Convexity

Convex set $\mathcal{X} \Leftrightarrow \lambda x + (1-\lambda)y \in \mathcal{X}, \forall \lambda \in [0, 1], \forall x, y \in \mathcal{X}$
Convex function $f \Leftrightarrow \text{dom}(f)$ convex and $f(\lambda x + (1-\lambda)y) \leq \lambda f(x) + (1-\lambda)f(y)$

5.2 Convex Optimization Problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \quad & f_0(x) \\ \text{subject to:} \quad & f_i(x) \leq 0 \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ & a_i^T x = b_i \quad i = 1, \dots, m \end{aligned}$$

With $f_i, i = 0, \dots, m$ convex.

Linear Program if $f_i, i = 0, \dots, m$ affine.

Quadratic Program if f_0 quadratic and $f_i, i = 1, \dots, m$ affine.

5.3 Lagrangian Dual Function

$$\begin{aligned} g(\lambda, \nu) &= \inf_{x \in \mathcal{X}} L(x, \lambda, \nu) \\ &= \inf_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \left[f_0(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i f_i(x) + \sum_{i=1}^p \nu_i h_i(x) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Dual Problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{\lambda, \nu} \quad & g(\lambda, \nu) \\ \text{subject to:} \quad & \lambda \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Is a convex problem, optimal value is $d^* \leq p^*$. In a convex problem with Slater condition (strict feasibility) fulfilled:

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

Then $p^* = d^*$

5.4 Karush-Kuhn-Tucker Conditions (KKT)

• Primal Feasibility:

$$\begin{aligned} f_i(x^*) &\leq 0 \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ h_i(x^*) &= 0 \quad i = 1, \dots, p \end{aligned}$$

• Dual Feasibility: $\lambda^* \geq 0$

• Complementary Slackness:

$$\lambda_i^* \cdot f_i(x^*) = 0 \quad i = 1, \dots, m$$

• Stationarity:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_x L(x^*, \lambda^*, \nu^*) &= 0 = \\ \nabla f_0(x^*) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^* \nabla f_i(x^*) + \sum_{i=1}^p \nu_i^* \nabla h_i(x^*) \end{aligned}$$

5.5 Sensitivity

Perturbed optimization problem (u_i, v_i instead of 0):

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \quad & f_0(x) \\ \text{subject to:} \quad & f_i(x) \leq u_i \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ & h_i(x) = v_i \quad i = 1, \dots, p \end{aligned}$$

Weak duality for perturbed problem implies (strong duality in unperturbed case assumed):

$$p^*(u, v) \geq p^*(0, 0) - u^T \lambda^* - v^T \nu^*$$

Optimal values can change a lot or little depending on the sign of u_i, v_i .

6 Model Predictive Control

Receding Horizon Control and Feedback: Plan next N control actions, but only use first action, repeat every step.

General Finite Horizon Optimal Control Problem:

$$\begin{aligned} V_N(x) &= \min_{\{u_i\}_{i=0}^{N-1}} \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} l(x_i, u_i) \\ \text{subject to:} \quad & x_i \in \mathbb{X}, u_i \in \mathbb{U} \quad \forall i \in \{0, \dots, N-1\} \\ & x_{i+1} = f(x_i, u_i), \quad x_0 = x \end{aligned}$$

Optimization has to be done online, recursive feasibility not guaranteed, stability not guaranteed.

6.1 Standard Linear MPC Problem

$$V(x) = \min_u \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} x_i^T Q x_i + u_i^T R u_i$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{subject to:} \quad & x_{i+1} = Ax_i + Bu_i, \quad x_0 = x \\ & x_i \in \mathbb{X}, u_i \in \mathbb{U} \quad \forall i \in \{0, \dots, N-1\} \end{aligned}$$

Stack states and inputs into big vectors:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x} &= (x_0; x_1; \dots; x_{N-1}), \quad \mathbf{u} = (u_0; u_1; \dots; u_{N-1}) \\ \mathcal{A} &= \begin{bmatrix} I \\ A \\ A^2 \\ \vdots \\ A^{N-1} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ B & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ AB & B & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A^{N-2}B & \dots & AB & B & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ \mathbf{x} &= \mathcal{A}x_0 + \mathcal{B}\mathbf{u} \end{aligned}$$

Correspondingly the cost:

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= \text{diag}(Q, \dots, Q), \quad R = \text{diag}(R, \dots, R) \\ V(x) &= \mathbf{x}^T Q \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{u}^T R \mathbf{u} \end{aligned}$$

The constraints:

$$\mathcal{E}_u \mathbf{u} \leq \mathcal{F}_u, \quad \mathcal{E}_x \mathbf{x} \leq \mathcal{F}_x$$

Complete problem (QP) with \mathbf{x} eliminated:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{x}} \quad & \mathbf{u}^T [\mathcal{R} + \mathcal{B}^T Q \mathcal{B}] \mathbf{u} + 2\mathbf{u}^T \mathcal{B}^T Q \mathcal{A} x_0 \\ \text{subject to:} \quad & \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{E}_u \\ \mathcal{E}_x \mathcal{B} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{u} \leq \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{F}_u \\ \mathcal{F}_x - \mathcal{E}_x \mathcal{A} x_0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Can also have linear cost (LP) (minimize max value, minimize sum).
Advantages, Disadvantages of QP vs LP:

- LP: easy to compute, QP: a little bit harder

- LP: non-unique solutions, QP: always unique solution
- LP: far from origin, conservative, QP: far from origin, large input
- LP: close to origin, discontinuity, dead-beat behaviour, QP: smooth
- LP: hard to tune
- QP: somewhat like minimizing energy/power

6.2 Reference Tracking

Regulation: reject disturbances around given fix point, *Tracking:* make $y(k)$ follow a reference $r(k)$. If reference unknown for future times, it is usually assumed to be constant over prediction horizon, if known preview control can be used. Need steady state state and input:

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

Plug those into cost (rest stays the same):

$$V(x) = \min_u \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} (x_i - x_{ss})^T Q (x_i - x_{ss}) + \dots \dots (u_i - u_{ss})^T R (u_i - u_{ss})$$

6.3 Stability and Feasibility

MPC is not guaranteed to be stabilizing, the optimization may not remain feasible. Remedies:

- derive lower bound on N , such that stability is guaranteed for all $Q \succeq 0$, $R \succ 0$
- additional constraint to ensure feasibility and stability
- check stability and feasibility of designed system a-posteriori

6.3.1 Ensure stability

- infinite prediction horizon: $N \rightarrow \infty$
- terminal state constraint: $x_N = 0$ or $x_N \in \mathbb{X}_N$
- contraction constraint: $\|x_1\| \leq \alpha \|x_0\|$, $\alpha < 1$
- use cost function as a Lyapunov function

6.3.2 General stability method for MPC

$$\begin{aligned} \min_u \quad & \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} l(x_i, u_i) + \Psi(x_N) \\ \text{subject to: } \quad & x_i \in \mathbb{X}, u_i \in \mathbb{U} \forall i \in \{0, \dots, N-1\} \\ & x_{i+1} = f(x_i, u_i), \quad x_0 = x \\ & x_N \in \mathbb{X}_N \end{aligned}$$

And some additional controller $u = K(x)$. Terminal constraint have to satisfy: $\mathbb{X}_N \subset \mathbb{X}$, $x \in \mathbb{X}_N \Rightarrow K(x) \in \mathbb{U}$ and $x \in \mathbb{X}_N \Rightarrow f(x, K(x)) \in \mathbb{X}_N$.

Terminal Lyapunov condition:

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

6.3.3 Linear MPC Stability

Assume a linear, constrained, possibly unstable system with quadratic cost. Terminal controller $K(x) = Kx$, Terminal state weight $\Psi(x) = x^T P x$, found by Riccati Equation:

$$(A + BK)^T P (A + BK) - P = -Q - K^T R K$$

Terminal set: an invariant set \mathbb{X}_N for $x_{k+1} = (A + BK)x_k$.

7 MPC: Explicit Solution

Optimization required at each timestep, lots of computational effort. Move it offline.

7.1 Parametric Programming

$$f^*(\theta) = \inf_z f(z, \theta)$$

$$\text{subject to: } g(z, \theta) \leq 0$$

$z \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is the optimization variable and $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is the parameter. Can do sensitivity analysis or find solutions depending on the parameter. Then we get critical regions in the θ feasible space (\mathcal{X}), where the KKT conditions do not change.

7.2 mpLP

The primal and the dual problem:

$$\begin{aligned} J^*(\theta) = \min_z J^*(z, \theta) = c^T z \quad & \max_{\pi} (W + S\theta)^T \pi \\ \text{sub. to: } Gz \leq W + S\theta \quad & \Leftrightarrow \quad \text{sub. to: } G^T \pi = c \\ & \pi \leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Solve the problems for some $\theta = \theta_0$ obtaining $z^*(\theta)$, $\pi^*(\theta)$. Further obtain the set of active (inactive) constraints ($\mathcal{I} = \{1, \dots, q\}$):

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}(\theta) &= \{i \in \mathcal{I} | \forall z : J(z, \theta) = J^*(\theta) \Rightarrow G_i z - S_i \theta - W_i = 0\} \\ \mathcal{N}(\theta) &= \{i \in \mathcal{I} | \exists z : J(z, \theta) = J^*(\theta) \wedge G_i z - S_i \theta - W_i < 0\} \end{aligned}$$

Then we compute the optimizer $z^*(\theta)$ and the critical region \mathcal{CR}_0 :

$$\begin{aligned} z^*(\theta) &= G_{\mathcal{A}}^{-1} S_{\mathcal{A}} \theta + G_{\mathcal{A}}^{-1} W_{\mathcal{A}} = F_0 \theta + g_0 \\ \mathcal{CR}_0 &= \{\theta | (G_{\mathcal{N}} F_0 - S_{\mathcal{N}}) \theta < W_{\mathcal{N}} - G_{\mathcal{N}} g_0\} \end{aligned}$$

Replace θ_0 with some $\theta \in \mathcal{X} \setminus \mathcal{CR}_0$. Repeat until all of \mathcal{X} is explored.

8 MPC: Hybrid Systems

System consisting of *continuous dynamics* and *discrete events* (states assume discrete values), often boolean variables p_i which are represented by $\delta_i = \{0, 1\}$.

8.1 Mixed Logical Dynamical Hybrid Model (MLD)

$$\begin{aligned} x_{k+1} &= Ax_k + B_1 u_k + B_2 \delta_k + B_3 z_k \\ y_k &= Cx_k + D_1 u_k + D_2 \delta_k + D_3 z_k \\ E_2 \delta_k + E_3 z_k &\leq E_4 x_k + E_1 u_k + E_5 \end{aligned}$$

8.2 Piecewise Affine Systems (PWA)

Polyhedral partition of the (x, u) -space:

$$\{\mathcal{D}^i\}_{i=1}^D = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_k \\ u_k \end{bmatrix} \mid P_x^i x_k + P_u^i u_k \leq P_c^i \right\}$$

Affine dynamics for each region:

$$\begin{cases} x_{k+1} = A^i x_k + B^i u_k + f^i \\ y_k = C^i x_k + D^i u_k + g_i \end{cases} \text{ if } x_t \in \mathcal{D}^i$$

8.3 MPC for Hybrid Systems

$$\begin{aligned} J^*(x) &= \min_U l_N(x_N) + \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} l(x_k, u_k, \delta_k, z_k) \\ \text{s.t. } \quad & \begin{cases} x_{k+1} = Ax_k + B_1 u_k + B_2 \delta_k + B_3 z_k \\ E_2 \delta_k + E_3 z_k \leq E_4 x_k + E_1 u_k + E_5 \\ x_N \in \mathcal{X}_f \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

9 Numerical Optimization Methods

repeat $x_{i+1} = \Psi(x_i, f, \mathbb{Q})$, $i = 0, 1, \dots, m-1$
until $|f(x_m) - f(x^*)| \leq \epsilon$ and $\text{dist}(x_m, \mathbb{Q}) \leq \delta$

9.1 Unconstrained Optimization

9.1.1 Gradient Methods

L -smoothness:

$$\|\nabla f(x) - \nabla f(y)\| \leq L\|x - y\| \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Is the same as an existing quadratic function upper bound for f :

$$f(x) \leq f(y) + \nabla f(y)^T(x - y) + \frac{L}{2}\|x - y\|^2 \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Gradient method:

Set x_0

Repeat $x_{i+1} = x_i - \frac{1}{L}\nabla f(x_i)$ for $i = 0, \dots, m-1$

Until $f(x_m) - f(x^*) \leq \epsilon_1$ or $\|x_m - x_{m-1}\| \leq \epsilon_2$

Fast Gradient Method:

Set $x_0, y_0 = x_0$ and $\alpha_0 = (\sqrt{5} - 1)/2$

Repeat $x_{i+1} = y_i - \frac{1}{L}\nabla f(y_i)$

$$\alpha_{i+1} = \alpha_i \left(\sqrt{\alpha_i^2 + 4} - \alpha_i \right) / 2$$

$$\beta_i = \frac{\alpha_i(1 - \alpha_i)}{\alpha_i^2 + \alpha_{i+1}}$$

$$y_{i+1} = x_{i+1} + \beta_i(x_{i+1} - x_i) \text{ for } i = 0, \dots, m-1$$

Until $f(x_m) - f(x^*) \leq \epsilon_1$ or $\|x_m - x_{m-1}\| \leq \epsilon_2$

Strong convexity, lower bound with quadratic function for f :

$$f(x) \geq f(y) + \nabla f(y)^T(x - y) + \frac{\mu}{2}\|x - y\|^2 \quad \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Gives condition number $\kappa = L/\mu$. Lower κ results in faster convergences speed \rightarrow Preconditioning: Do a variable transformation $x = Py$ with P invertible such that the new κ is lower.

9.1.2 Newton's method

Idea: Minimize 2nd order approximation of f . Formula:

$$x_{i+1} = x_i - h_i \Delta x_{nt} \quad \text{with} \quad \Delta x_{nt} = (\nabla^2 f(x_i))^{-1} \nabla f(x_i)$$

How to set h_i ? Compute best h_i (exact method):

$$h_i^* = \arg \min_{h>0} f(x_i + h_i \Delta x_{nt})$$

Or find a h_i , which decreases f by some percent (inexact, back-tracking):

$$\alpha \in (0, 0.5) \text{ and } \beta \in (0, 1)$$

Initialize $h_i = 1$

While $f(x_i + h_i \Delta x_{nt}) > f(x_i) + \alpha h_i \nabla f(x_i)^T \Delta x_{nt}$

Do $h_i \leftarrow \beta h_i$

9.2 Constrained Optimization

$$\begin{aligned} &\min f(x) \\ &\text{subject to } x \in \mathbb{Q} \end{aligned}$$

With f and \mathbb{Q} convex and L -smooth.

9.2.1 Gradient Methods

Use unconstrained gradient methods, but project each update x_{i+1} onto \mathbb{Q} :

$$x_{i+1} = \pi_{\mathbb{Q}}(x_i - h_i \nabla f(x_i))$$

If projection is easy to compute, fast algorithm. If projection is not easy to compute, solve dual problem instead (maybe slow).

9.2.2 Interior Point Methods

$$\begin{aligned} &\min f(x) \\ &\text{s.t. } g_i(x) \leq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, m \end{aligned}$$

f, g_i convex and twice continuous differentiable, problem strictly feasible. Idea: reformulate problem as unconstrained problem.

Barrier Method:

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

$\phi(x)$ is the indicator function, with $I_- = 0$ if $u \leq 0$ and ∞ otherwise. This function can be approximated by a logarithmic barrier:

$$\phi(x) = -\sum_{i=1}^m \log(-g_i(x))$$

As $\kappa \rightarrow 0$, approximation improves.

Barrier Interior Point Method (require strictly feasible $x_0, \kappa_0, \mu > 1, \epsilon > 0$):

1. $x^*(\kappa_i) = \min_x f(x) + \kappa_i \phi(x)$ starting from x_{i-1}
2. $x_i := x^*(\kappa_i)$
3. if $m\kappa_i < \epsilon$ STOP
4. $\kappa_{i+1} := \kappa_i / \mu$

Step 1 is usually solved with Newton's Method:

$$(\nabla^2 f(x) + \kappa \nabla^2 \phi(x)) \Delta x_{nt} = -\nabla f(x) - \kappa \nabla \phi(x)$$

With additional equality constraints $Cx = d$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \nabla^2 f(x) + \kappa \nabla^2 \phi(x) & C^T \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Delta x_{nt} \\ \nu \end{bmatrix} = - \begin{bmatrix} \nabla f(x) + \kappa \nabla \phi(x) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Primal-Dual Interior Point Method:

$$\begin{aligned} Cx^* &= d \\ g_i(x^*) + s_i^* &= 0 \quad i = 1, \dots, m \\ \nabla f(x^*) + \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i^* \nabla g_i(x^*) + C^T \nu^* &= 0 \\ \lambda_i^* g_i(x^*) &= -\kappa \\ \lambda_i^*, s_i^* &\geq 0 \quad i = 1, \dots, m \end{aligned}$$

Relaxed KKT conditions, solve this system and repeat with decreased κ . This method allows for infeasible start.