

Week 8 – Trajectory Planning

ELEC0129 Introduction to Robotics

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Schedule

Legend:

A: MPEB 6th Floor Lab

B: PC Lab

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C: 11am-1pm

D: 11.30am-1pm

Week	Recorded, uploaded by Friday of previous week	F2F Workshop, Mondays 11am-1pm and/or Wednesdays 9am-11am	Virtual Workshop, Mondays (C/D) and Wednesdays 9am-11am
1	(Scenario Week)		
2	Lec: Intro; Spatial description	A: Workshop: Offline programming	C: Workshop: Offline programming
3	Lec & Tut: Spatial description	A: Workshop: Build robot	D: Workshop: Build robot
4	Lec & Tut: Forward kinematics	A: Workshop: Forward kinematics	D: Workshop: Forward kinematics
5	Lec & Tut: Inverse kinematics	B: Workshop: Offline programming	C: Workshop: Offline programming
RW	(Reading Week)		
6	(Scenario Week)		
7	Lec & Tut: Jacobians	A: Workshop: Inverse kinematics	D: Workshop: Inverse kinematics
8	Lec: Trajectory Planning	A: Workshop: Trajectory planning	D: Workshop: Trajectory planning
9	Lec & Tut: Dynamics	A: Workshop: Trajectory planning	C: Workshop: Trajectory planning
10	Lec & Tut: Control	A: Workshop: Pick-and-place demo	C: Workshop: Pick-and-place demo

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Introduction to Trajectory Planning (1)

- Trajectory planning means designing a **time profile** of position, velocity and acceleration of a movement.
- E.g. driving from A to B:



- The velocity starts from 0, increases to V_{constant} and stays constant for some time.
- As it approaches the target, the velocity decreases down to 0.

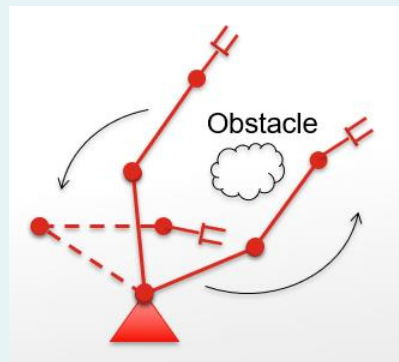
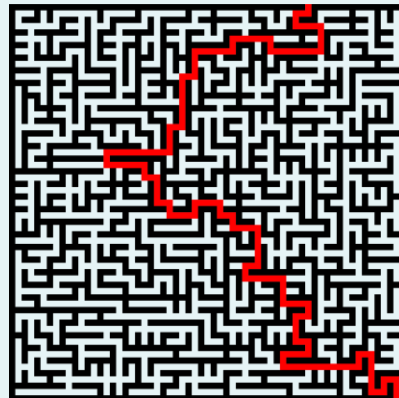
Introduction to Trajectory Planning (2)

- E.g. robot arm moving from initial position towards object:
 - The arm also accelerates at the start and decelerates at the end.



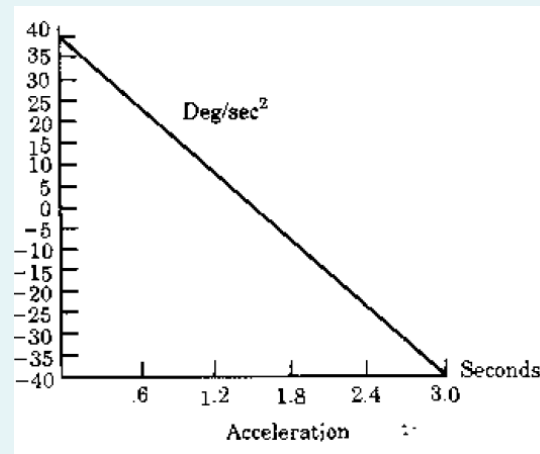
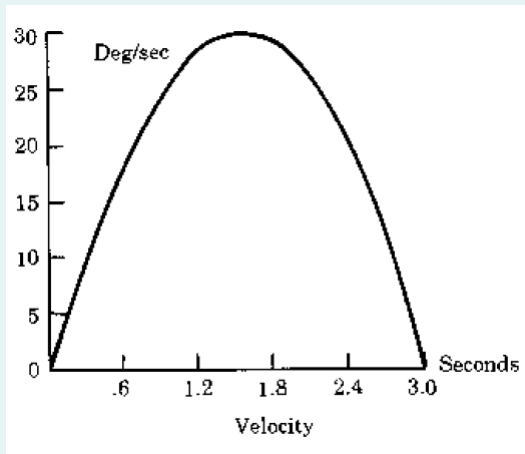
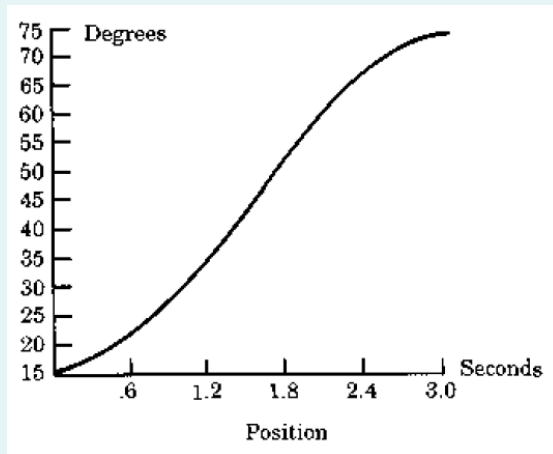
Introduction to Trajectory Planning (3)

- Note: Trajectory planning is **NOT** designing the “geographical” path.
 - E.g. the discussion is **NOT** about how to generate a path for the car to move from A to B through the city.
 - Or how to generate a path for robot to avoid some obstacles.
- It is about the **time profile** of the motion.



Introduction to Trajectory Planning (4)

- The designed **time profile** of position, velocity and acceleration can be visualized in graphs, for e.g.:



Introduction to Trajectory Planning (5)

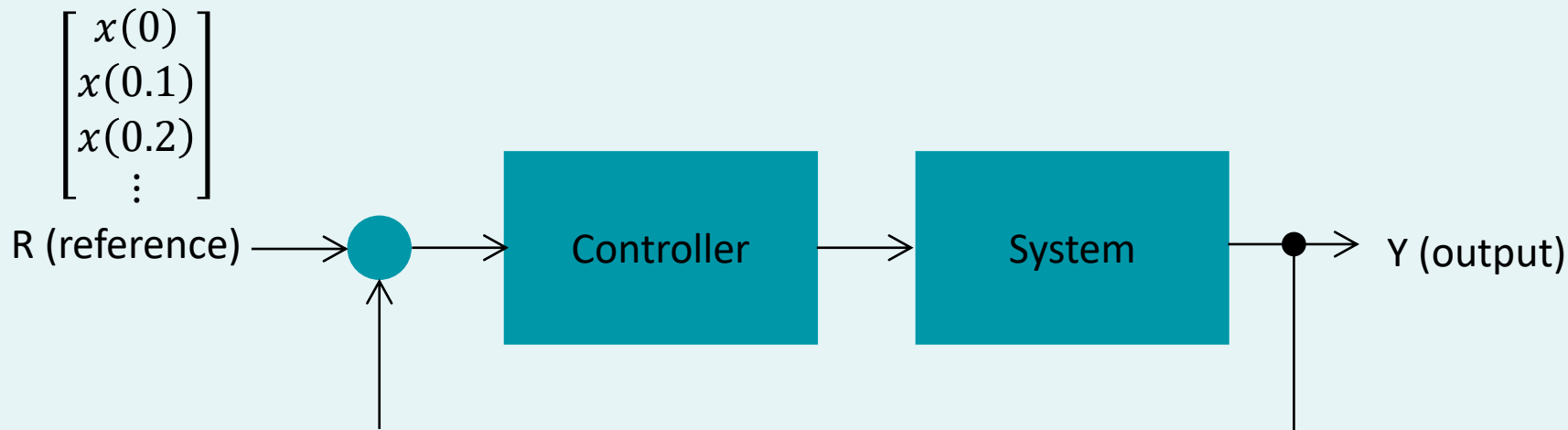
- However, we still need to express the time profile using mathematical functions.

$$x = f(t), \dot{x} = f'(t), \ddot{x} = f''(t)$$

- From the functions, the computer can then extract the numerical values of x, \dot{x}, \ddot{x} at any given t .

Introduction to Trajectory Planning (6)

- The **numerical values** of x, \dot{x}, \ddot{x} at different times t will be passed on to the control system as **reference values** for the system (car, robot) to follow.



Introduction to Trajectory Planning (7)

- In today's lecture, we will learn how to write the function $x = f(t)$ given:

- The **current** position and orientation of robot / end-effector;
- Desired **goal** position and orientation for the end-effector;
- The **time** to reach goal position;
- General **shape** of the path (straight line, polynomial etc.);

- $\dot{x} = f'(t), \ddot{x} = f''(t)$ then comes naturally through differentiation.

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Cartesian Space Schemes (1)

- Cartesian Space Schemes means specifying trajectory directly through position and orientation of the end-effector.

$$x = f_x(t)$$

$$y = f_y(t)$$

$$z = f_z(t)$$

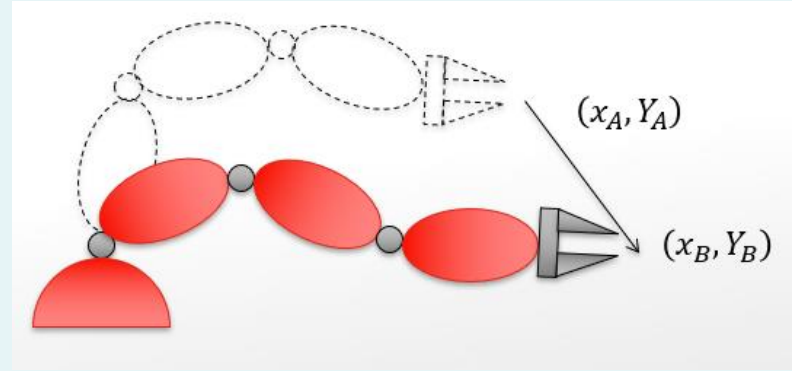
$$r_x = f_{rx}(t)$$

$$r_y = f_{ry}(t)$$

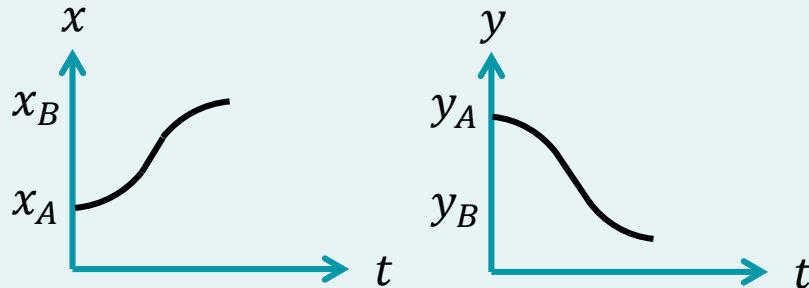
$$r_z = f_{rz}(t)$$

Cartesian Space Schemes (2)

- For e.g. the end-effector is required to move from (x_A, y_A) to (x_B, y_B) .

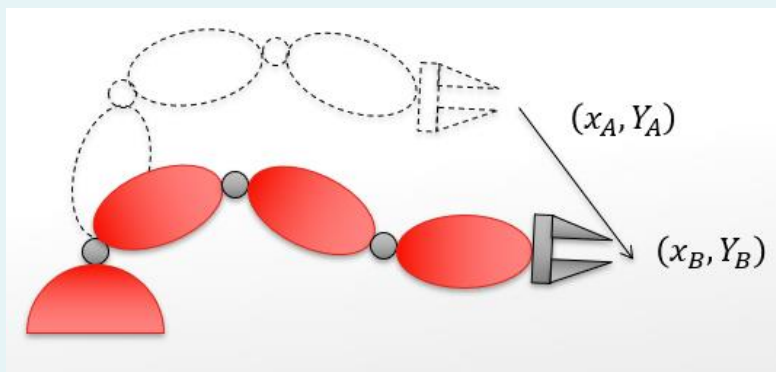


- The $x = f_x(t)$ and $y = f_y(t)$ graphs may look like this:



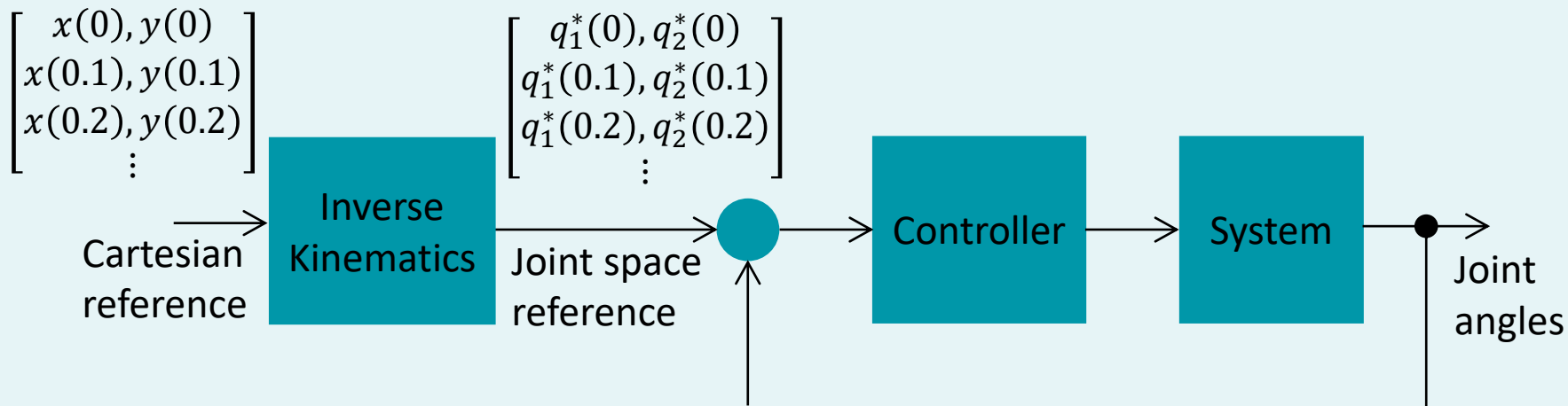
Cartesian Space Schemes (3)

- The **advantage** of Cartesian Space Schemes:
 - We can enforce certain shape of the geometrical path (for e.g. straight line),
 - Or enforce orientation of the end-effector (for e.g. maintain same orientation throughout).



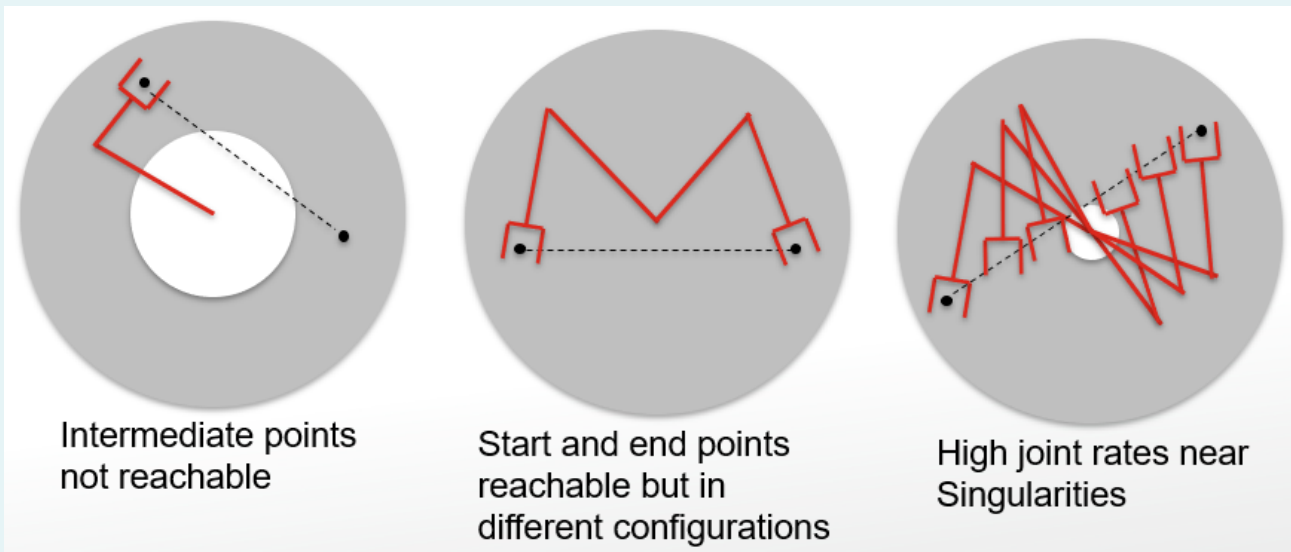
Cartesian Space Schemes (4)

- The **disadvantages** of Cartesian Space Schemes:
 1. **Computationally expensive**: **Inverse kinematics** has to be solved at every time step (update rate) to calculate joint angles.



Cartesian Space Schemes (5)

- The **disadvantages** of Cartesian Space Schemes:
 2. Prone to problems relating to **workspace** and **singularities**



Joint Space Schemes (1)

- Joint Space Schemes means specifying trajectory directly through the joint angles.

$$\theta_1 = f_{\theta_1}(t)$$

$$\theta_2 = f_{\theta_2}(t)$$

$$\theta_3 = f_{\theta_3}(t)$$

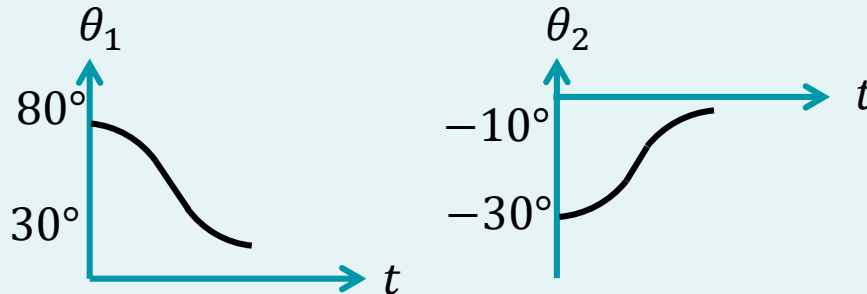
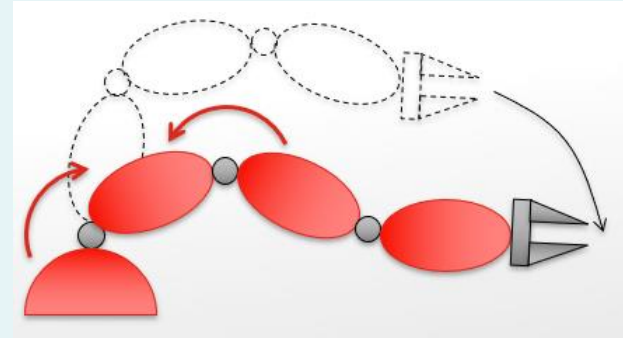
$$\theta_4 = f_{\theta_4}(t)$$

$$\theta_5 = f_{\theta_5}(t)$$

$$\theta_6 = f_{\theta_6}(t)$$

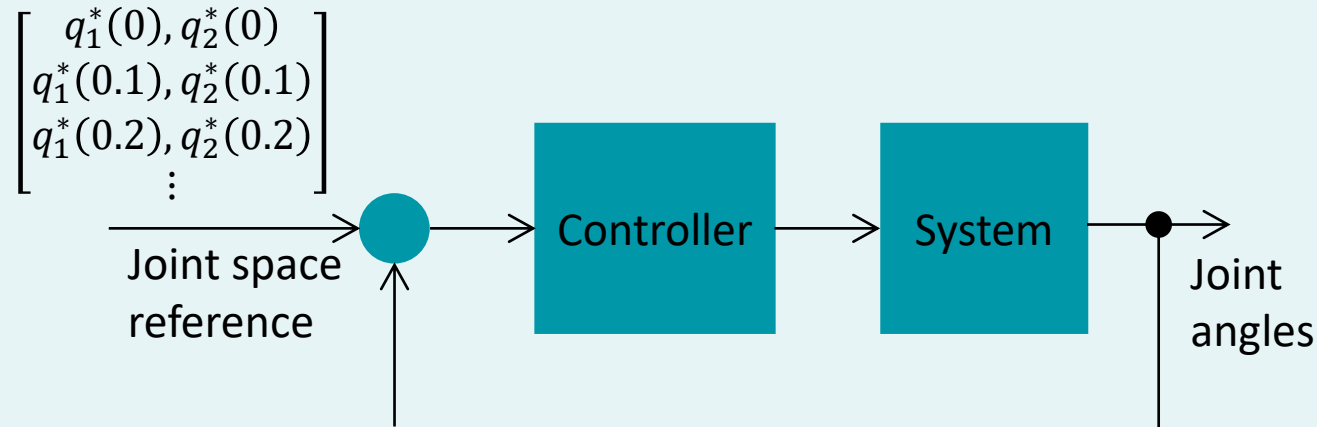
Joint Space Schemes (2)

- For e.g. θ_1 is required to change from 80° to 30° , while θ_2 is required to change from -30° to -10° .
- The $\theta_1 = f_{\theta_1}(t)$ and $\theta_2 = f_{\theta_2}(t)$ graphs may look like this:



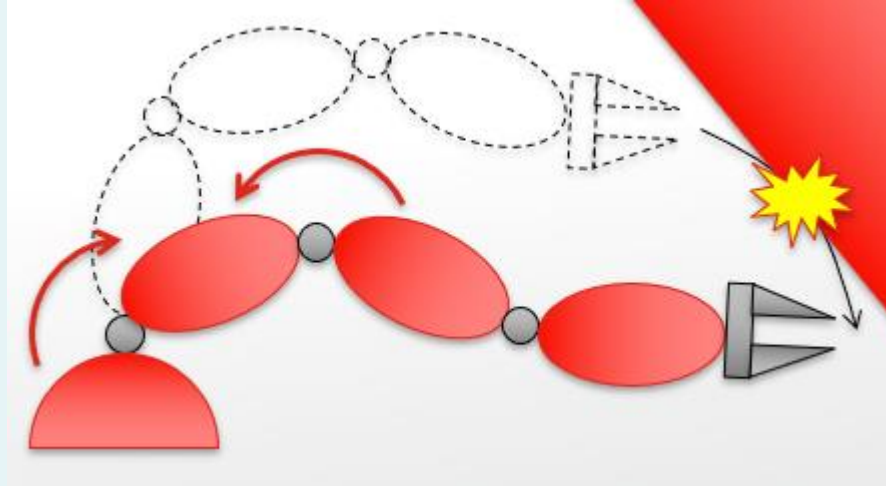
Joint Space Schemes (3)

- **Advantages** of joint space schemes:
 - Easy to compute.
 - No issue with singularities.



Joint Space Schemes (4)

- Disadvantages of joint space schemes:
 - Path will not be linear.
 - This may be a problem if there are possible collisions.



Notation

- Regardless of whether the trajectory is specified in Cartesian space or joint space,
- The design process (or the mathematical function) is the same.
- We will therefore use “ $u(t)$ ” to represent any of the variables:

$$u = f_u(t)$$

Summary: What we want to do next

- Given:
 - The start position u_0 ,
 - The end position u_f ,
 - The time to reach the final position t_f ;
- Generate a trajectory $u = f_u(t)$ for the robot to follow.

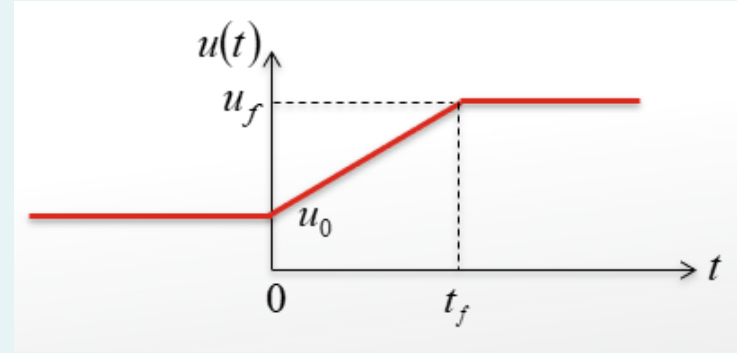
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Straight Line

- The simplest trajectory would be a **straight time profile** between the start and end positions.
- The function is:

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{u_f - u_0}{t_f} t + u_0 & t < t_f \\ u_f & t \geq t_f \end{cases}$$

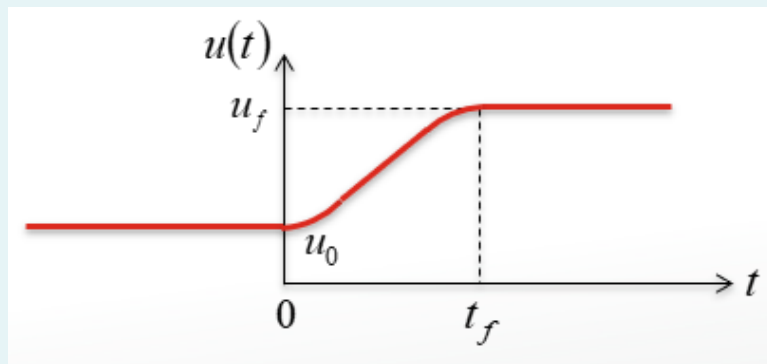


- **Disadvantage:** Discontinuous velocities at start and end points. Rough and jerky motions causes vibrations due to resonance modes, as well as increases wear and tear.

Cubic Polynomial (1)

- To ensure that the velocities at the start and end points are zero, we can use a **cubic polynomial**:

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 + a_3 t^3 & t < t_f \\ u_f & t \geq t_f \end{cases}$$



Cubic Polynomial (2)

- There are four parameters a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3 which can satisfy four constraints:

$$\begin{aligned} u(0) &= u_0 \\ u(t_f) &= u_f \\ \dot{u}(0) &= 0 \\ \dot{u}(t_f) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

- The question is now: How do we calculate a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3 ?

Cubic Polynomial (3)

- This can be done by solving four simultaneous equations:

$$\begin{aligned}u(0) &= a_0 + a_1 0 + a_2 0^2 + a_3 0^3 = a_0 = u_0 \\u(t_f) &= a_0 + a_1 t_f + a_2 t_f^2 + a_3 t_f^3 = u_f \\\dot{u}(0) &= a_1 + 2a_2 0 + 3a_3 0^2 = a_1 = 0 \\\dot{u}(t_f) &= a_1 + 2a_2 t_f + 3a_3 t_f^2 = 0\end{aligned}$$

- where the last 2 equations (velocity) come from the differentiation of $u(t)$, i.e.

$$\dot{u}(t) = \frac{d}{dt} (a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2 + a_3 t^3) = a_1 + 2a_2 t + 3a_3 t^2$$

Cubic Polynomial (4)

- The solutions to the simultaneous equations are:

$$a_0 = u_0$$

$$a_1 = 0$$

$$a_2 = \frac{3}{t_f^2}(u_f - u_0)$$

$$a_3 = -\frac{2}{t_f^3}(u_f - u_0)$$

Cubic Polynomial (5)

- Example: $u_0 = 15^\circ, u_f = 75^\circ, t_f = 3\text{sec}$. Then:

$$a_0 = u_0 = 15$$

$$a_1 = 0$$

$$a_2 = \frac{3}{t_f^2} (u_f - u_0) = \frac{3}{3^2} (75 - 15) = 20$$

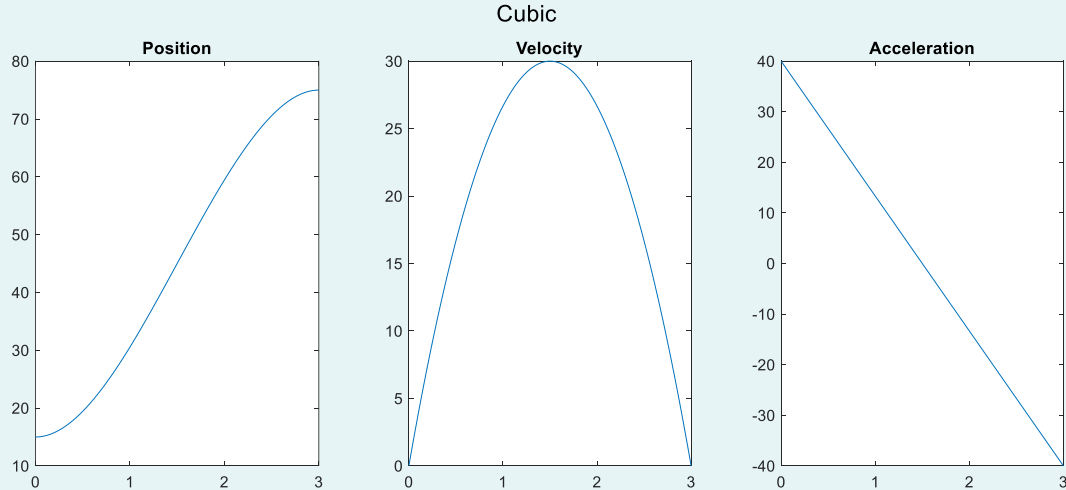
$$a_3 = -\frac{2}{t_f^3} (u_f - u_0) = -\frac{2}{3^3} (75 - 15) = -4.44$$

- The trajectory is thus:

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} 15 + 20t^2 - 4.44t^3 & t < 3 \\ 75 & t \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

Cubic Polynomial (6)

- The plots for position, velocity and acceleration are:



- Note that the **accelerations at start and end positions are not zero**. This might create jerky motions.

Cubic Polynomial (7)

- The Matlab code to generate the trajectory is as follows:

```
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% Boundary Conditions %
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u0 = 15;
uf = 75;
tf = 3;

%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% Create Time Array %
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%

t = 0:0.001:tf; % array of time from 0 to tf in steps of 0.001
t = t'; % make the time array into column vector
```


Cubic Polynomial (8)

- Continued:

```
%%%%%%%%%
% Cubic Polynomial %
%%%%%%%%%

a0 = u0;
a1 = 0;
a2 = 3/tf^2*(uf-u0);
a3 = -2/tf^3*(uf-u0);

uCubic = a0*ones(length(t),1)+a1*t+a2*t.^2+a3*t.^3;
uDotCubic = a1*ones(length(t),1)+2*a2*t+3*a3*t.^2;
uDoubleDotCubic = 2*a2*ones(length(t),1)+6*a3*t;

figure,sgtitle('Cubic')
subplot(1,3,1),plot(t,uCubic),title('Position')
subplot(1,3,2),plot(t,uDotCubic),title('Velocity')
subplot(1,3,3),plot(t,uDoubleDotCubic),title('Acceleration')
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Quintic Polynomial (1)

- As seen in the final slide on cubic polynomial, the acceleration at the start and end positions are not zero.
- This is because the cubic polynomial (with 4 parameters) could only satisfy 4 constraints: $u(0), u(t_f), \dot{u}(0), \dot{u}(t_f)$.

Quintic Polynomial (2)

- If we want to have control over accelerations, i.e. 2 additional constraints $\ddot{u}(0), \ddot{u}(t_f)$,
- then we will need a polynomial with 6 parameters – The Quintic Polynomial.

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2 + a_3t^3 + a_4t^4 + a_5t^5 & t < t_f \\ u_f & t \geq t_f \end{cases}$$

- To obtain the parameters of the Quintic polynomial, we use the same method of solving simultaneous equations.

Quintic Polynomial (3)

- From $u(t) = a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2 + a_3t^3 + a_4t^4 + a_5t^5$ we have:

$$\begin{aligned}u(0) &= a_0 + a_1 \cdot 0 + a_2 \cdot 0^2 + a_3 \cdot 0^3 + a_4 \cdot 0^4 + a_5 \cdot 0^5 = a_0 = u_0 \\u(t_f) &= a_0 + a_1 t_f + a_2 t_f^2 + a_3 t_f^3 + a_4 t_f^4 + a_5 t_f^5 = u_f\end{aligned}$$

- From $\dot{u}(t) = a_1 + 2a_2t + 3a_3t^2 + 4a_4t^3 + 5a_5t^4$ we have:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{u}(0) &= a_1 + 2a_2 \cdot 0 + 3a_3 \cdot 0^2 + 4a_4 \cdot 0^3 + 5a_5 \cdot 0^4 = a_1 = 0 \\\dot{u}(t_f) &= a_1 + 2a_2 t_f + 3a_3 t_f^2 + 4a_4 t_f^3 + 5a_5 t_f^4 = 0\end{aligned}$$

- From $\ddot{u}(t) = 2a_2 + 6a_3t + 12a_4t^2 + 20a_5t^3$ we have:

$$\begin{aligned}\ddot{u}(0) &= 2a_2 + 6a_3 \cdot 0 + 12a_4 \cdot 0^2 + 20a_5 \cdot 0^3 = 2a_2 = 0 \\\ddot{u}(t_f) &= 2a_2 + 6a_3 t_f + 12a_4 t_f^2 + 20a_5 t_f^3 = 0\end{aligned}$$

Quintic Polynomial (4)

- Solving the simultaneous equations, the parameters are:

$$a_0 = u_0$$

$$a_1 = 0$$

$$a_2 = 0$$

$$a_3 = \frac{10}{t_f^3} (u_f - u_0)$$

$$a_4 = -\frac{15}{t_f^4} (u_f - u_0)$$

$$a_5 = \frac{6}{t_f^5} (u_f - u_0)$$

Quintic Polynomial (5)

- Example: $u_0 = 15^\circ, u_f = 75^\circ, t_f = 3\text{sec}$. Then:

$$a_0 = u_0 = 15, a_1 = 0, a_2 = 0$$

$$a_3 = \frac{10}{t_f^3} (u_f - u_0) = \frac{10}{3^3} (75 - 15) = 22.22$$

$$a_4 = -\frac{15}{t_f^4} (u_f - u_0) = -\frac{15}{3^4} (75 - 15) = -11.11$$

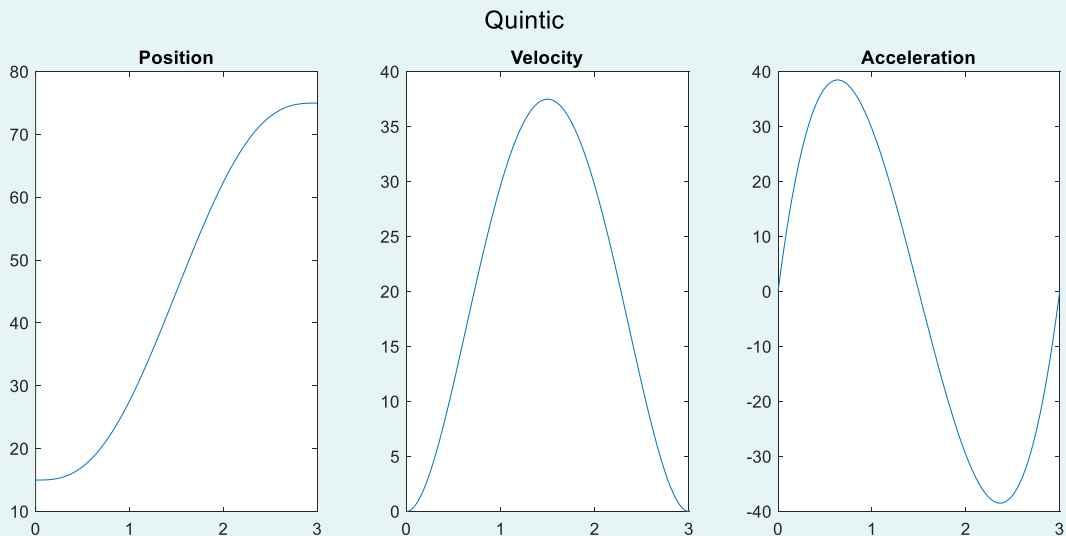
$$a_5 = \frac{6}{t_f^5} (u_f - u_0) = \frac{6}{3^5} (75 - 15) = 1.48148$$

The trajectory is thus:

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} 15 + 22.22t^3 - 11.11t^4 + 1.48148t^5 & t < 3 \\ 75 & t \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

Quintic Polynomial (6)

- The position, velocity and acceleration profiles for Quintic polynomial are as follows:



- As can be seen, the **acceleration is continuous** at start and end.

Quintic Polynomial (7)

- The Matlab code to generate the trajectory is as follows:

```
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
% Quintic Polynomial %
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a0 = u0;
a1 = 0;
a2 = 0;
a3 = 10/tf^3*(uf-u0);
a4 = -15/tf^4*(uf-u0);
a5 = 6/tf^5*(uf-u0);

uQuintic = a0*ones(length(t),1)+a1*t+a2*t.^2+a3*t.^3+a4*t.^4+a5*t.^5;
uDotQuintic = a1*ones(length(t),1)+2*a2*t+3*a3*t.^2+4*a4*t.^3+5*a5*t.^4;
uDoubleDotQuintic = 2*a2*ones(length(t),1)+6*a3*t+12*a4*t.^2+20*a5*t.^3;

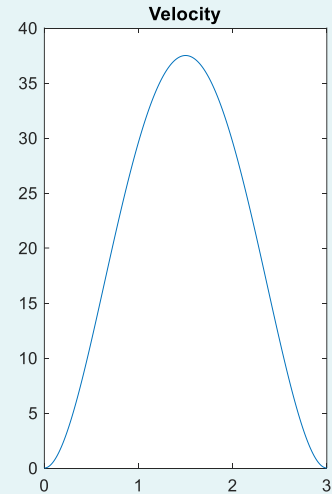
figure,sgtitle('Quintic')
subplot(1,3,1),plot(t,uQuintic),title('Position')
subplot(1,3,2),plot(t,uDotQuintic),title('Velocity')
subplot(1,3,3),plot(t,uDoubleDotQuintic),title('Acceleration')
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Linear Function w. Parabolic Blends (1)

- The cubic and quintic polynomials, while smooth, are **not the most natural way** when you think of a motion.
- For e.g. if you drive from A to B, you **wouldn't**
 - increase your speed slowly,
 - reaching the maximum velocity exactly halfway between A and B,
 - and then slowly decrease speed to zero.



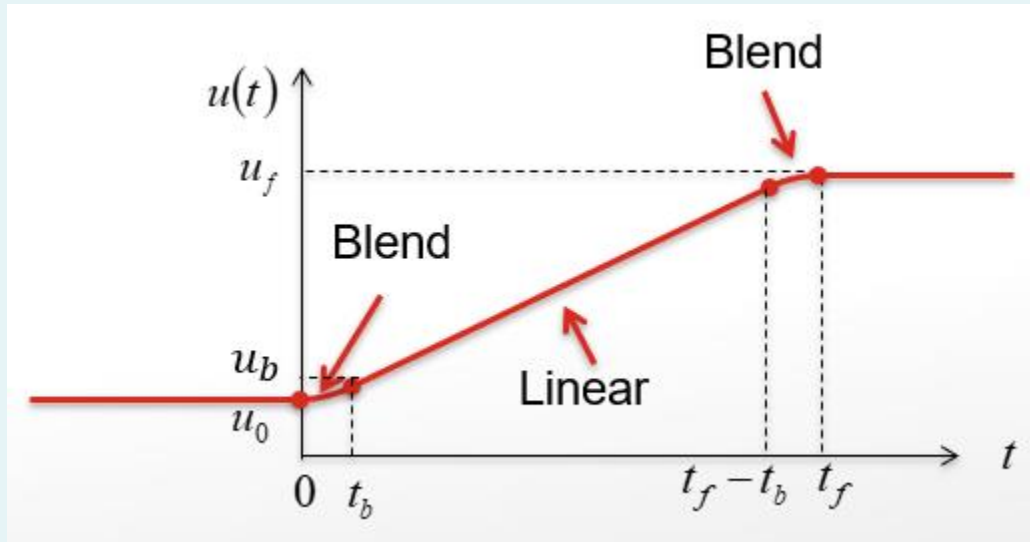
Linear Function w. Parabolic Blends (2)

- Instead, you would want to:
 - Increase your speed smoothly but rapidly up to a maximum velocity (e.g. 70 miles / hour),
 - Maintain the maximum velocity (constant) for a long time,
 - Decreases speed to zero smoothly but rapidly as you reach the destination.



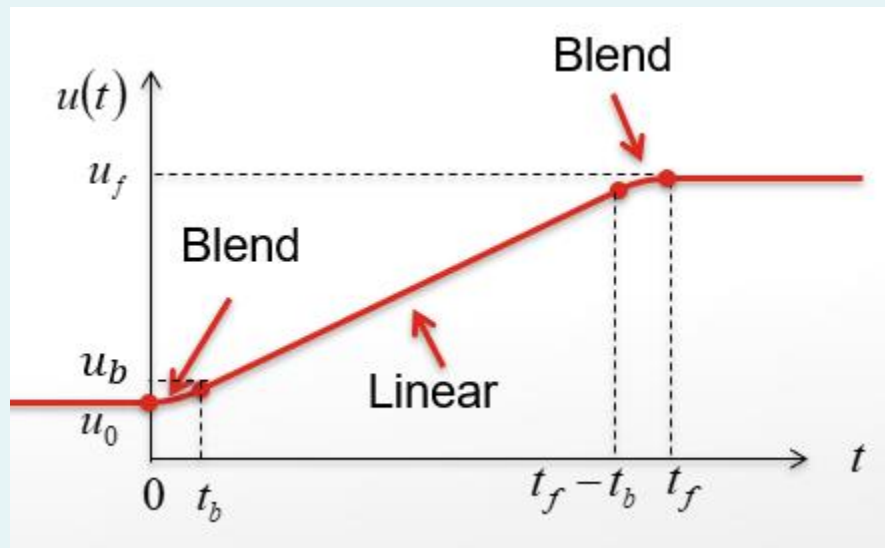
Linear Function w. Parabolic Blends (3)

- This can be achieved with the “linear function with parabolic blends” trajectory.



Derivation (1)

- To compute the trajectory, four pieces of information are needed:
 1. The start position u_0 ,
 2. The end position u_f ,
 3. The time to reach the final position t_f ;
 4. The acceleration of the first blend portion \ddot{u} .



Derivation (2)

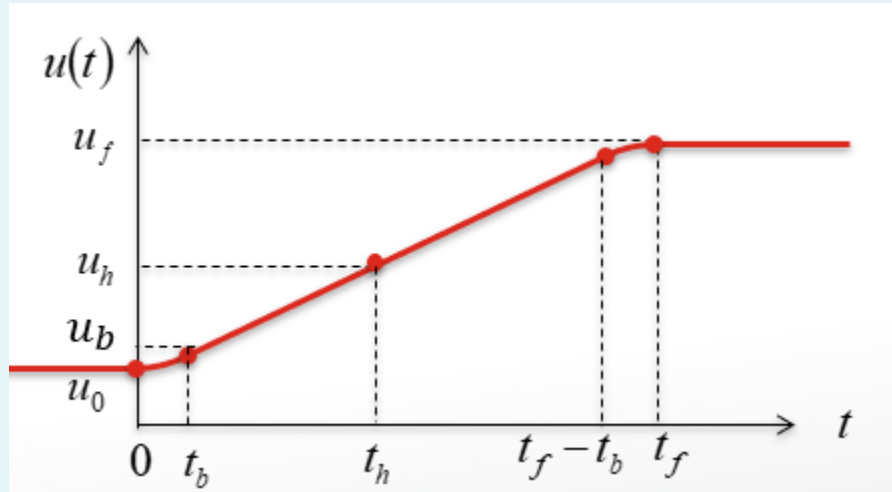
- Three **assumptions** are also required:

A1. Both the parabolic blends have the **same time duration**.

- Therefore the deceleration of the second blend portion = $-\ddot{u}$.

A2. The solution is **symmetric** about the halfway point in time (t_h) and position (u_h).

A3. The **velocity** at the end of blend region is same as that of linear region.



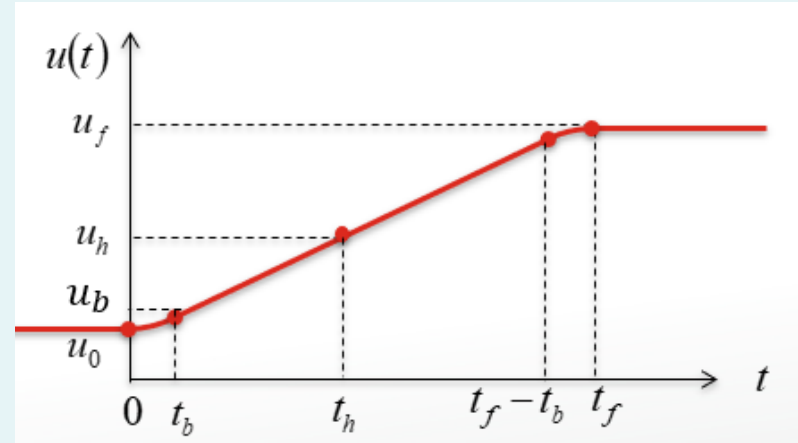
Derivation (3)

- Side note: How to calculate the **velocity** and **position** at any instant t in the blend region?
- \ddot{u} is a given constant, set by user.
- The **velocity** is obtained by integration of acceleration:

$$\dot{u} = \int \ddot{u} dt = \underbrace{\dot{u}_0}_0 + \ddot{u}t = \ddot{u}t$$

- The **position** is obtained by integration of velocity:

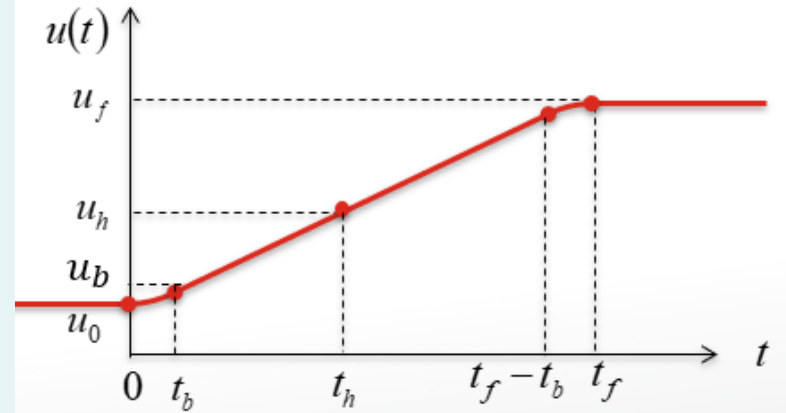
$$u = \int \dot{u} dt = u_0 + \frac{1}{2}\ddot{u}t^2$$



Derivation (4)

- The trajectory can now be written as:

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} u_0 + \frac{1}{2}\ddot{u}t^2 & t < t_b \\ \frac{u_h - u_b}{t_h - t_b}(t - t_b) + u_b & t_b \leq t < (t_f - t_b) \\ u_f - \frac{1}{2}\ddot{u}(t_f - t)^2 & t \geq (t_f - t_b) \end{cases}$$



- Problem: u_b and t_b are still unknown.
- We need to calculate them to fully specify the trajectory.

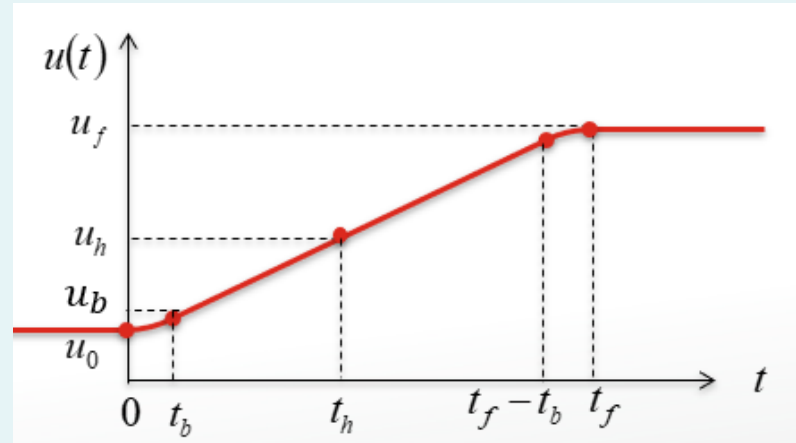
Derivation (5)

- Firstly, we use assumption A3 that the velocity at the **end of blend region** is the same as that of linear region.

$$\ddot{u}t_b = \frac{u_h - u_b}{t_h - t_b} \quad (1)$$

- Let's express u_b in terms of t_b , so that there is only one unknown.
- u_b is the position at time t_b , thus

$$u_b = u_0 + \frac{1}{2}\ddot{u}t_b^2. \quad (2)$$



Derivation (6)

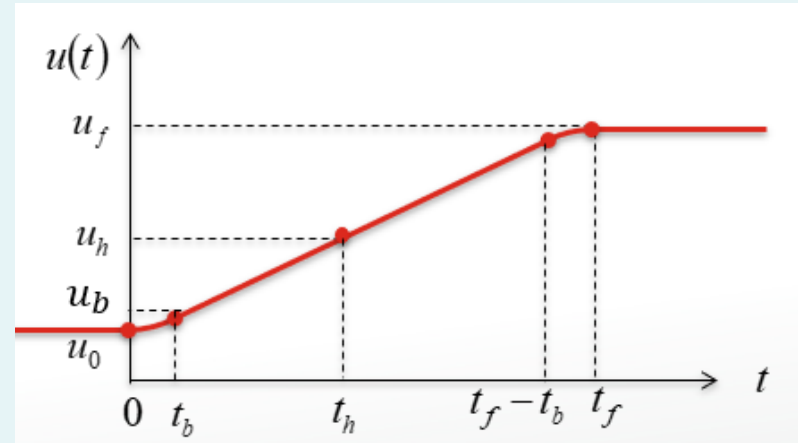
- The assumption A2 about symmetry give us:

$$u_h = \frac{1}{2}(u_0 + u_f) \quad (3)$$

$$t_h = \frac{1}{2}t_f \quad (4)$$

- Putting equations (2), (3), (4) into (1) gives:

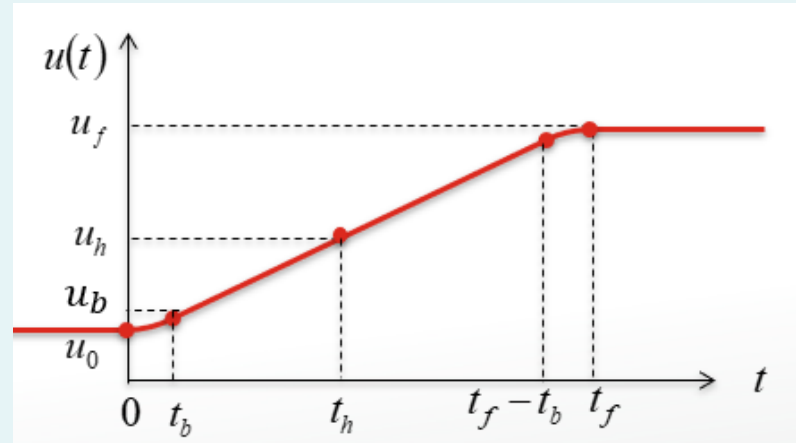
$$\ddot{u}t_b = \frac{\frac{1}{2}(u_0 + u_f) - u_0 - \frac{1}{2}\ddot{u}t_b^2}{\frac{1}{2}t_f - t_b} \Rightarrow \ddot{u}t_b^2 - \ddot{u}t_ft_b + (u_f - u_0) = 0$$



Derivation (7)

- The final equation, $\ddot{u}t_b^2 - \ddot{u}t_ft_b + (u_f - u_0) = 0$, is a quadratic equation in t_b . The solution is:

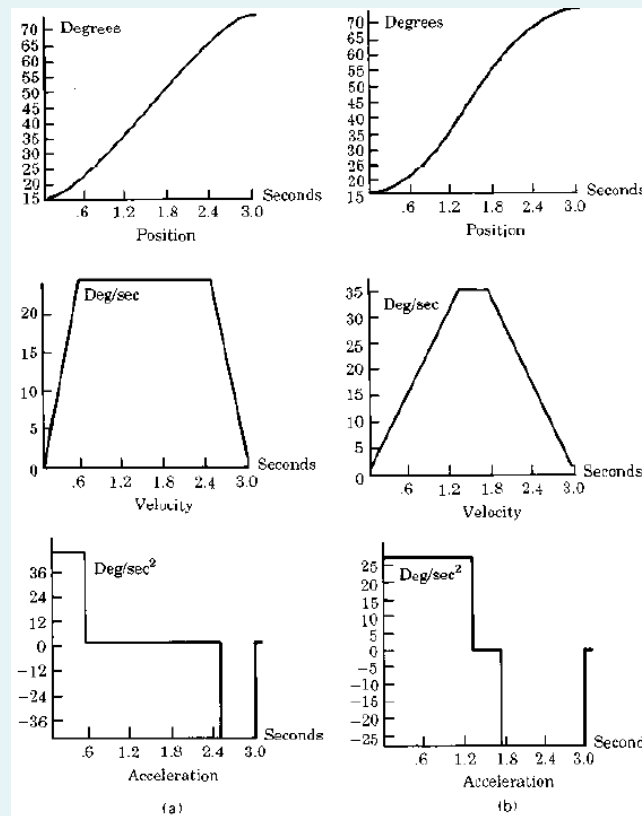
$$\begin{aligned} t_b &= \frac{\ddot{u}t_f - \sqrt{\ddot{u}^2t_f^2 - 4\ddot{u}(u_f - u_0)}}{2\ddot{u}} \\ &= \frac{t_f}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{\ddot{u}^2t_f^2 - 4\ddot{u}(u_f - u_0)}}{2\ddot{u}} \end{aligned}$$



- Note: we choose only “minus” sign for square root because $t_b \leq \frac{t_f}{2}$.
- Substitute t_b back into $u_b = u_0 + \frac{1}{2}\ddot{u}t_b^2$ to get u_b .

About the Desired Acceleration (1)

- The acceleration must be chosen to be **high enough**.
 - Otherwise solution to t_b will not exist.
- E.g. if acceleration is small, the linear region shrinks.
- Or, if acceleration is too small, there may be no more linear region.



About the Desired Acceleration (2)

- How to make sure the acceleration is high enough?

- It is such that $t_b = \frac{t_f}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{\ddot{u}^2 t_f^2 - 4\ddot{u}(u_f - u_0)}}{2\ddot{u}}$ exists.

- In other words:

$$\ddot{u}^2 t_f^2 - 4\ddot{u}(u_f - u_0) \geq 0$$

$$\ddot{u}^2 t_f^2 \geq 4\ddot{u}(u_f - u_0)$$

$$\ddot{u} \geq 4 \frac{(u_f - u_0)}{t_f^2}$$

Summary of the Trajectory

- Given u_0, u_f, t_f .
- Choose desired acceleration \ddot{u} which must satisfy $\ddot{u} \geq 4 \frac{(u_f - u_0)}{t_f^2}$.
- Calculate $t_b = \frac{t_f}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{\ddot{u}^2 t_f^2 - 4\ddot{u}(u_f - u_0)}}{2\ddot{u}}$ and $u_b = u_0 + \frac{1}{2}\ddot{u}t_b^2$
- The trajectory is then:
$$u(t) = \begin{cases} u_0 + \frac{1}{2}\ddot{u}t^2 & t < t_b \\ \frac{u_f - u_b}{t_f - t_b}(t - t_b) + u_b & t_b \leq t < (t_f - t_b) \\ u_f - \frac{1}{2}\ddot{u}(t_f - t)^2 & t \geq (t_f - t_b) \end{cases}$$

Example (1)

- $u_0 = 15^\circ, u_f = 75^\circ, t_f = 3\text{sec.}$
- The minimum acceleration is:

$$\ddot{u} \geq 4 \frac{(u_f - u_0)}{t_f^2} = 4 \frac{(75 - 15)}{3^2} = 26.6666$$

- Here I have chosen $\ddot{u} = 100$.
- With this,

$$t_b = \frac{t_f}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{\ddot{u}^2 t_f^2 - 4\ddot{u}(u_f - u_0)}}{2\ddot{u}} = \frac{3}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{100^2 \cdot 3^2 - 4 \cdot 100(75 - 15)}}{2 \cdot 100} = 0.2155$$

Example (2)

- Also,

$$u_b = u_0 + \frac{1}{2} \ddot{u} t_b^2 = 15 + \frac{1}{2} 100 \cdot 0.2155^2 = 17.3215$$

- The trajectory is then:

$$u(t) = \begin{cases} u_0 + \frac{1}{2} \ddot{u} t^2 & t < t_b \\ \frac{u_h - u_b}{t_h - t_b} (t - t_b) + u_b & t_b \leq t < (t_f - t_b) \\ u_f - \frac{1}{2} \ddot{u} (t_f - t)^2 & t \geq (t_f - t_b) \end{cases}$$

Example (3)

- The Matlab code is as follows:

```
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%  
% Linear with Parabolic Blend %  
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
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```
AccMin = 4*(uf-u0)/tf^2;  
Acc = round(4*AccMin/100)*100; % Assume 4 x AccMin, round to closest 100  
tb = tf/2 - sqrt(Acc^2*tf^2 - 4*Acc*(uf-u0))/2/Acc;  
ub = u0 + 0.5*Acc*tb^2;  
uh = 0.5*(u0+uf);  
th = 0.5*tf;
```

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%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%  
% Boundary Conditions %  
%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
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```
u0 = 15;  
uf = 75;  
tf = 3;
```

Example (4)

```
% First blend

tBlend1 = 0:0.001:tb;
tBlend1 = tBlend1';
uBlend1 = u0*ones(length(tBlend1),1)+0.5*Acc*tBlend1.^2;

% Linear portion

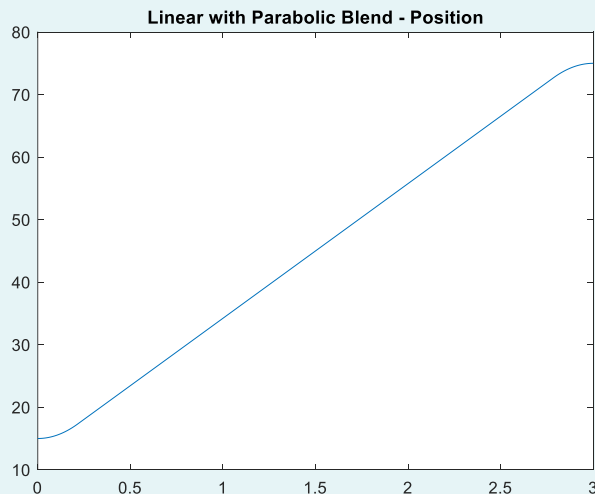
tLinear = tb+0.001:0.001:(tf-tb);
tLinear = tLinear';
uLinear = (uh-ub)/(th-tb)*(tLinear-tb)+ub;

% Second blend

tBlend2 = (tf-tb+0.001):0.001:tf;
tBlend2 = tBlend2';
uBlend2 = uf*ones(length(tBlend2),1)-0.5*Acc*(tf-tBlend2).^2;
```

Example (5)

```
% Combine  
  
tCombine = [tBlend1;tLinear;tBlend2];  
uCombine = [uBlend1;uLinear;uBlend2];  
figure,plot(tCombine,uCombine),title('Linear with Parabolic Blend - Position')
```



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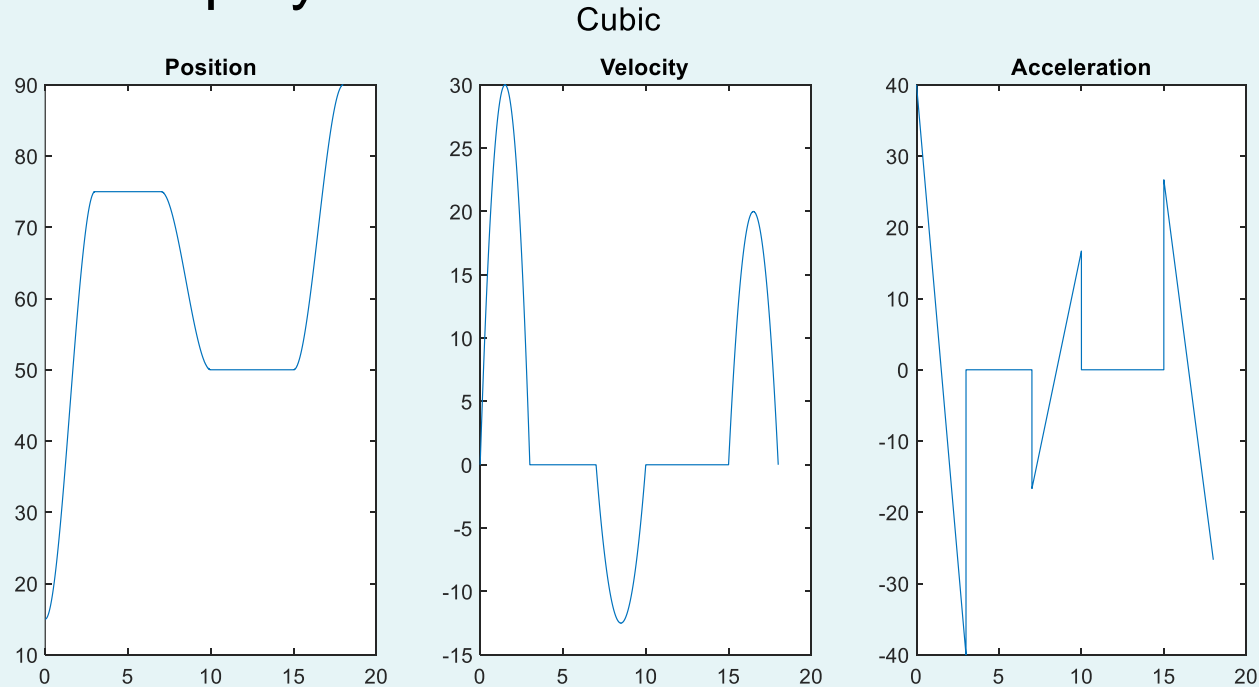
- So far, the provided Matlab codes have been generating trajectory for one single move only.
- What if **several moves** are required?
 - E.g. move from 15° to 75° at $t = 0$ with duration of 3 seconds;
 - Stay at 75° until next move;
 - Move from 75° to 50° at $t = 7$ with duration of 3 seconds;
 - Stay at 50° until next move;
 - Move from 50° to 90° at $t = 15$ with duration of 3 seconds;
 - Etc. Etc.

Trajectory with Multiple Segments (2)

- I will leave this as a **coding exercise** for you.
- Please try this out – You will need it for your robot workshop.

Trajectory with Multiple Segments (3)

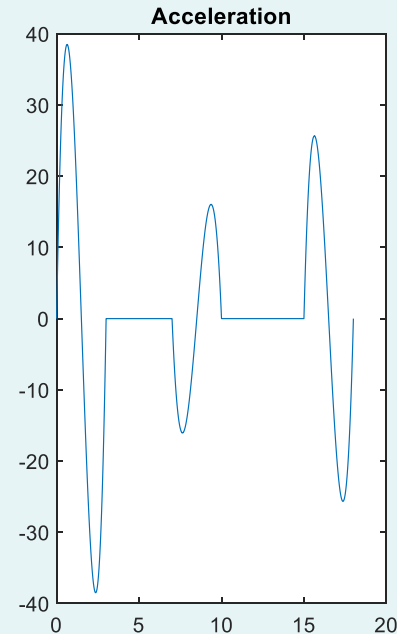
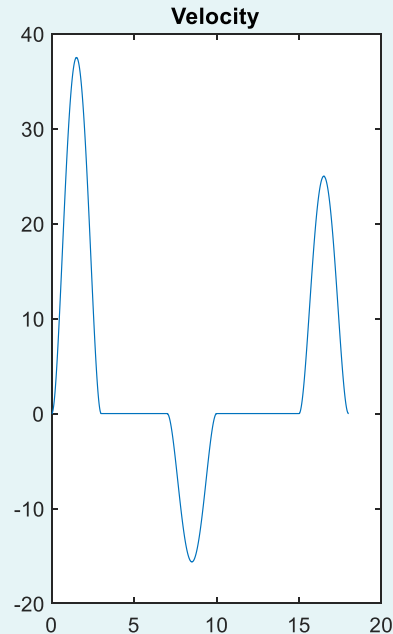
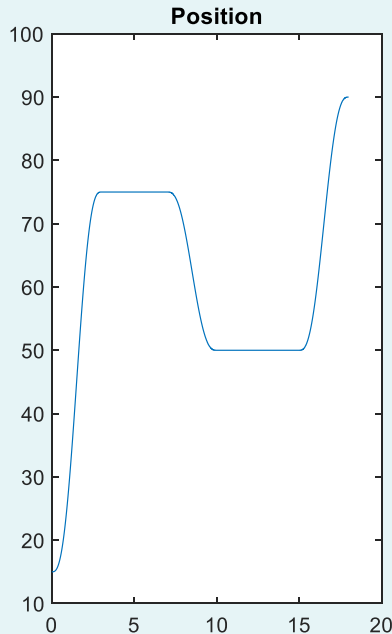
- E.g. cubic polynomial:



Trajectory with Multiple Segments (4)

- E.g. Quintic polynomial:

Quintic



Thank you for your attention!

Any questions?