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Lecture 11: Optimal control 2

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Example 2

$$\min \int_0^1 u^4 dt + x(1)$$

$$\dot{x} = -x + u, \quad x(0) = 0$$

$$\min \int_0^{t_f} \overbrace{L(x(t), u(t))}^{\text{Trajectory cost}} dt + \overbrace{\phi(x(t_f))}^{\text{Final cost}}$$

where

$$x(t) \in R^n$$

$$u(t) \in U \subseteq R^m$$

$$\dot{x}(t) = f(x(t), u(t))$$

$$x(0) = 0$$

Hamiltonian:

$$H = L + \lambda^T \cdot f = u^4 + \lambda(-x + u)$$

Adjoint equation:

$$\dot{\lambda} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial x} = -(-\lambda)$$

Final value problem

$$\Rightarrow \lambda(t) = Ce^t$$

$$\lambda(t_f) = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = 1$$

$$\lambda(1) = 1 = Ce^1 \Rightarrow C = e^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda(t) = e^{t-1}$$

Optimality: $H_u = \dots \frac{\partial H}{\partial u} = 4u^3 + \lambda$

$$H_u = 0 \Rightarrow u = \sqrt[3]{-\frac{\lambda}{4}}$$

Maximum principle

Optimization Problem (OP2)

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Minimize } \int_0^{t_f} \overbrace{L(x(t), u(t))}^{\text{Trajectory cost}} dt + \overbrace{\phi(t_f, x(t_f))}^{\text{Final cost}} \\ &\text{where} \\ &x(t) \in R^n, \quad u(t) \in U \subseteq R^m, \quad 0 \leq t \leq t_f \\ &\dot{x}(t) = f(x(t), u(t)), \quad x(0) = x_0 \\ &\psi(t_f, x(t_f)) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Assume that OP2 has a solution. Then there is a vector function $\lambda(t)$, a number $n_0 \geq 0$ and a vector $\mu \in R^r$ such that $[n_0 \ \mu^T] \neq 0$ and

$$H(x, u, \lambda) = n_0 L(x, u) + \lambda^T(t) f(x, u)$$

$$\min_{u \in U} H(x^*(t), u, \lambda(t), n_0) = H(x^*(t), u^*(t), \lambda(t), n_0), \quad 0 \leq t \leq t_f,$$

where $\lambda(t)$ solves the **adjoint equation**

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\lambda}(t) &= -H_x^T(x^*(t), u^*(t), \lambda(t), n_0) \\ \lambda(t_f) &= n_0 \phi_x^T(t_f, x^*(t_f)) + \psi_x^T(t_f, x^*(t_f)) \mu \end{cases}$$

If the end time t_f is given, then $H(x^*(t_f), u^*(t_f), \lambda(t_f), n_0) = 0$.

If the end time t_f is free:

$$H(x^*(t_f), u^*(t_f), \lambda(t_f), n_0) = -n_0 \phi_t(t_f, x^*(t_f)) - \mu^T \psi_t(t_f, x^*(t_f)).$$

Remarks

- Can scale $n_0, \mu, \lambda(t)$ by the same constant

$$\begin{cases} \dot{\lambda}(t) &= -H_x^T(x^*(t), u^*(t), \lambda(t), n_0) \\ \lambda(t_f) &= n_0 \phi_x^T(t_f, x^*(t_f)) + \psi_x^T(t_f, x^*(t_f)) \mu \end{cases}$$

$$H(x, u, \lambda) = n_0 L(x, u) + \lambda^T(t) f(x, u)$$

- Can reduce to two cases

$$H(x, u, \lambda) = n_0 L(x, u) + \lambda^T(t) f(x, u)$$

- $n_0 = 1$ (normal)

If $n_0 > 0$, renormalize to $n_0 = 1$. Only existence of positive n_0 matters.

- $n_0 = 0$ (abnormal, since L and ϕ don't matter)

- Fixed time t_f and no end constraints \Rightarrow normal case

Optimal control (Linear Control Systems with quadratic running cost)

Performance, cost function

$$J(u) = \frac{1}{2}x^T(t_f)P(t_f)x(t_f) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{t_f} x^T Q x + u^T R u dt$$

System dynamics
(dynamic constraint)

$$\dot{x} = f(x, u), x(t_0) = x_0$$

Hamiltonian

$$H(x, u, \lambda) = \frac{1}{2}(x^T Q x + u^T R u) + \lambda^T (Ax + Bu)$$

Hamiltonian minimization with respect to u

$$\frac{\partial H(u)}{\partial u} = u^T R + \lambda^T B \rightarrow u = -R^{-1} B^T \lambda \quad \lambda(t) = P(t)x(t)$$

State equation

Co-state, adjoint equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{\lambda} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & -BR^{-1}B^T \\ -Q & -A^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ \lambda \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{aligned} x(t_0) &= x_0 \\ \lambda(t_f) &= P(t_f)x(t_f) \end{aligned}$$

$$\dot{P}(t) = P(t)A + A^T P(t) + P(t)BR^{-1}B^T(t)P(t) - Q$$

$P(t_f)$ known by the cost function

Example – optimal heating (minimum fuel problem)

$$\min \int_0^{t_f=1} P(t) dt$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{s.t. } \dot{T} &= P - T, \quad T(0) = 0 \\ 0 &\leq P \leq P_{max} \\ T(1) &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

T temperature
 P heat effect

Hamiltonian

$$H = n_0 P + \lambda(P - T)$$

Adjoint equation

$$\dot{\lambda}^T = -H_T = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial T} = \lambda^T \quad \lambda(1) = \mu$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda(t) = \mu e^{t-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow H = \underbrace{(n_0 + \mu e^{t-1})}_{\sigma(t)} P - \lambda T$$

*If cannot be minimized by $H_u = 0$
The constraint on P
makes the problem
well-defined*

At optimality

$$P^*(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & \sigma(t) > 0 \\ P_{max}, & \sigma(t) < 0 \end{cases}$$



Example – optimal heating

$$\min \int_0^{t_f=1} P(t) dt$$

$$H = \sigma(t)P - \lambda T$$

$$\sigma(t) = n_0 + \underbrace{\mu e^{t-1}}_{\lambda}$$

$$P^*(t) = \begin{cases} 0, & \sigma(t) > 0 \\ P_{\max}, & \sigma(t) < 0 \end{cases}$$

s.t. $\dot{T} = P - T, \quad T(0) = 0$

$0 \leq P \leq P_{\max}$

$T(1) = 1$

$\mu > 0 \Rightarrow \sigma(t) > 0$ for all t

$\mu = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda(t) = 0 \quad \forall t \Rightarrow \sigma(t) = n_0 > 0 \quad \forall t$

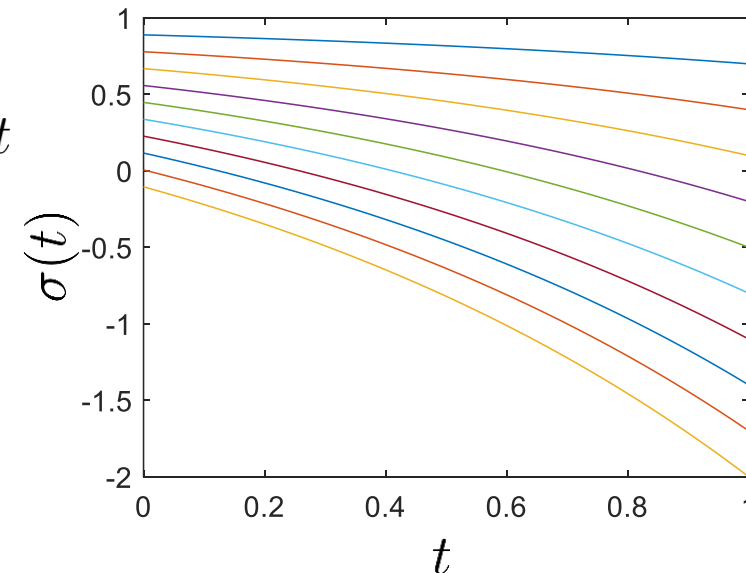
$\Rightarrow P \equiv 0 \Rightarrow \dot{T} = -T, T(0) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow T(1) = 0 \neq 1$

$\mu < 0 \Rightarrow \sigma(t)$ strictly decreasing for all t

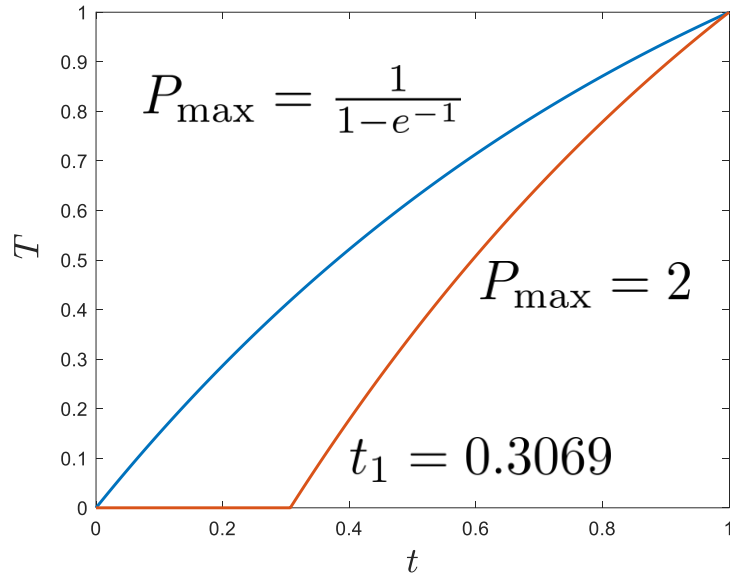
$\Rightarrow \dot{T} = -(T - P_{\max}), T(t_1) = 0$

$\Rightarrow T(t) = [1 - e^{-(t-t_1)}] P_{\max}$

T temperature
 P heat effect



Example – optimal heating



If $t_1 = 0$ (no switching)

$$P_{\max} = \frac{1}{1-e^{-1}}$$

If $0 < t_1 < 1$ (switching from 0 to P_{\max})

$$T(1) = [1 - e^{-(1-t_1)}] P_{\max} = 1$$



$$t_1 = 1 + \ln(1 - P_{\max}^{-1})$$

$$P_{\max} > \frac{1}{1-e^{-1}}$$

