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A Framework for Control, State Estimation, and Verification of Hybrid Systems

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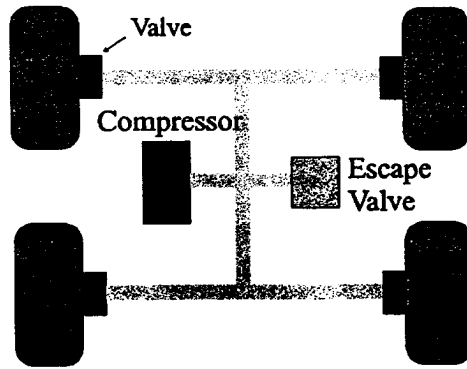
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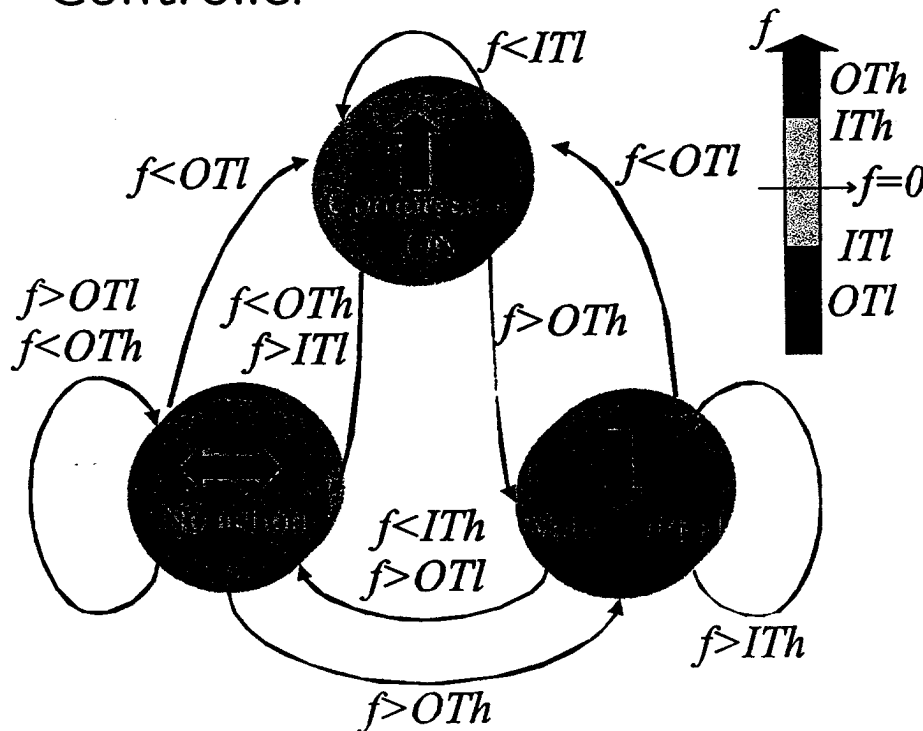
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Example: Verification of an Automotive Active Leveler

- System



- Controller



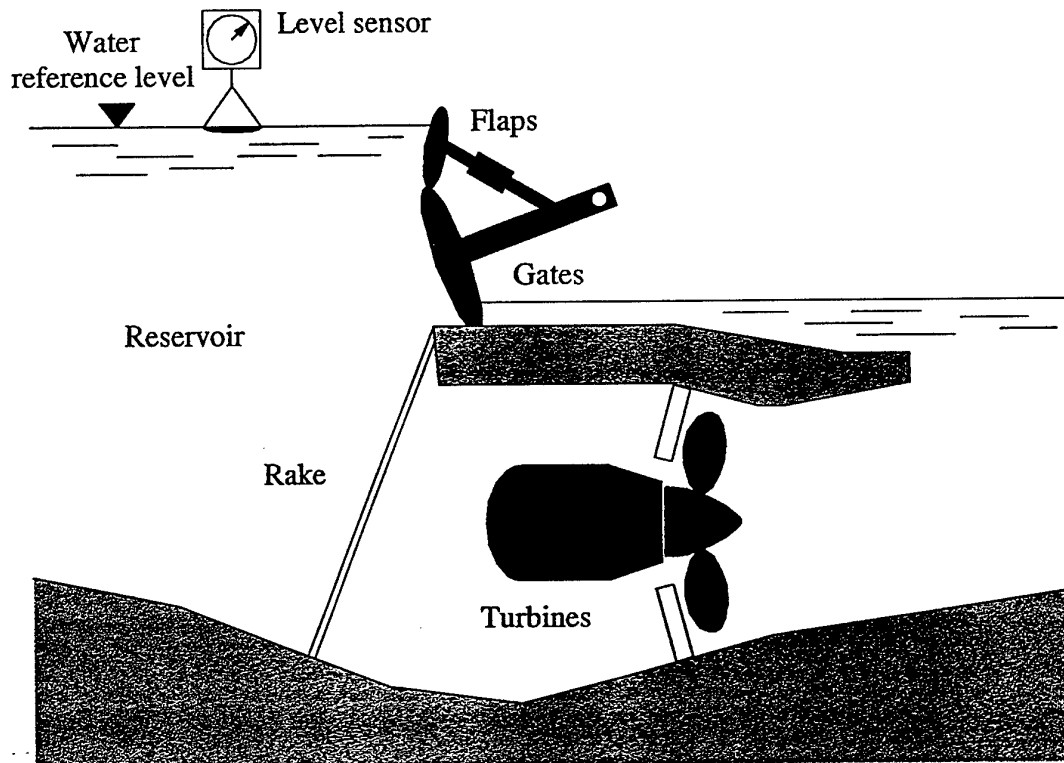
$$f = \frac{1}{1 + as} h$$

- For a given set of initial conditions, variation of parameters, and road conditions:

(VP#1) Find worst performance

(VP#2) Verify that height is within desired limits

Example: Control of a Hydroelectric Power Plant



Objective:

- Maximize power generation

Manipulated variables:

- Turbine ON / OFF
- Stepper motors $(-1, 0, 1)$

Hydroelectric Power Plant

Constraints

- on actuators (flaps, gates)
- on level

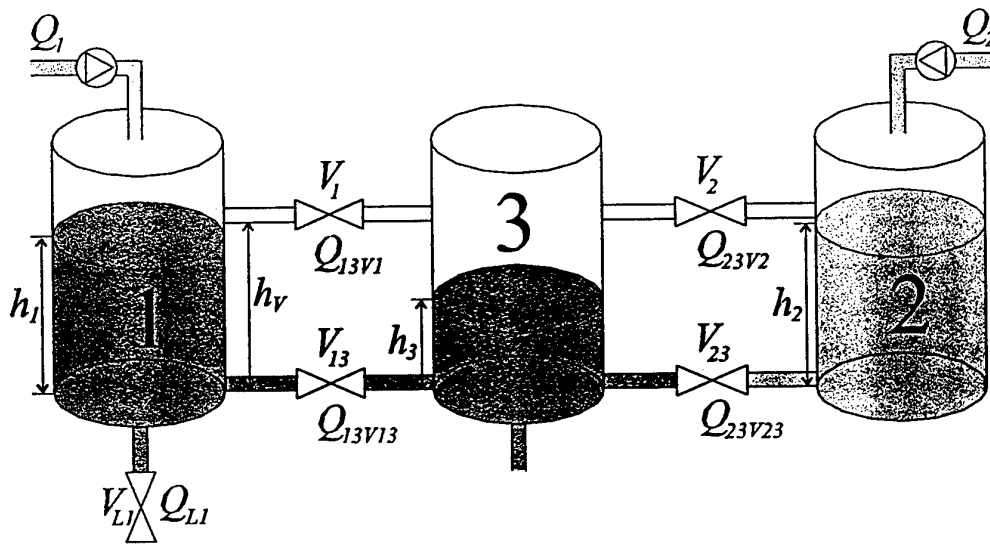
Targets (= end point constraints)

- level
- actuators (flaps, gates)

Preference hierarchy / heuristics

1. Flaps rather than gates
2. Turbine ON $> T_{min}$
3. Stepper motor ON $> T'_{min}$
4. Transitions: turbines / flaps / gates
5. Stepper motor OFF $< T_{max}$

Example: Three Tank System



Nominal behaviour:

- Liquid level in tank 1 controlled by pump 1
- Liquid level in tank 3 controlled by switching valve V_1

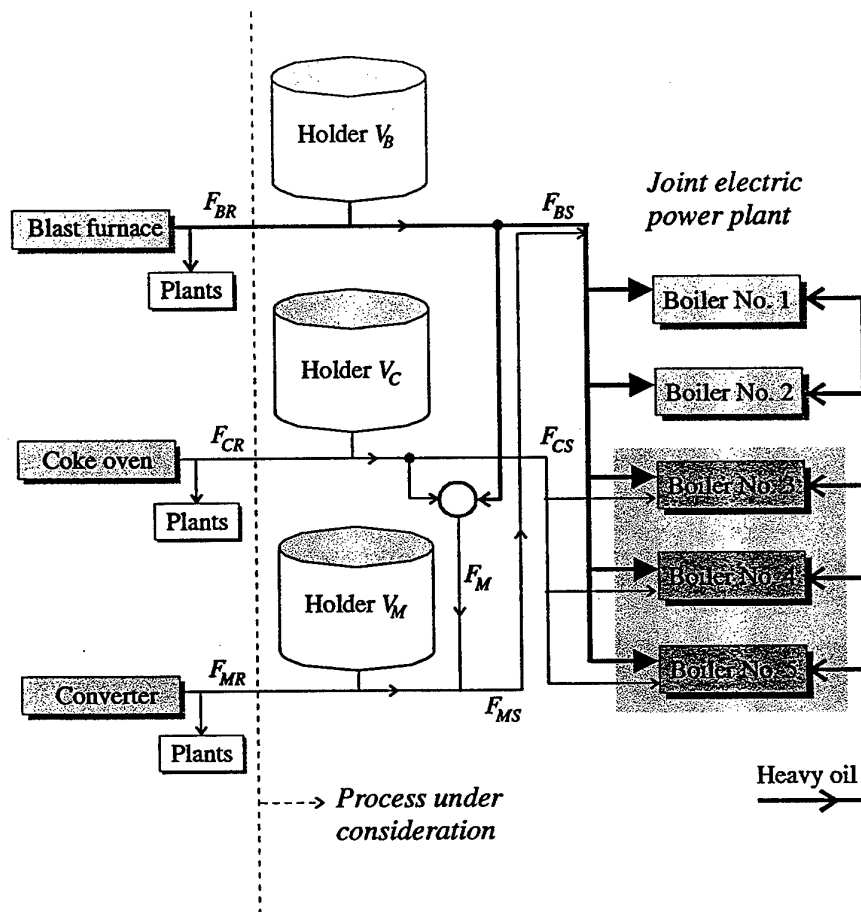
Faults:

ϕ_1 : Leak in tank 1

ϕ_2 : Valve V_1 blocked closed

Maintaining nominal operating condition requires fault detection & control reconfiguration

Example: Gas Supply System (Kawasaki Steel)



- Maintain hold-up
- Maximize use of gas for combustion
- Limitations on gas flows, heat produced, gas volume in holders
- Complex rules for boiler switching

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General Class: MLD Systems

General formulation of Mixed Logical-Dynamic (MLD) systems

$$x(t+1) = Ax(t) + B_1u(t) + B_2\delta(t) + B_3z(t)$$

$$y(t) = Cx(t) + D_1u(t) + D_2\delta(t) + D_3z(t)$$

$$E_2\delta(t) + E_3z(t) \leq E_1u(t) + E_4x(t) + E_5$$

- State :

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_c \\ x_\ell \end{bmatrix}, \quad x_c \in \mathbb{R}^{n_c}, \quad x_\ell \in \{0, 1\}^{n_\ell}$$

- Output :

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} y_c \\ y_\ell \end{bmatrix}, \quad y_c \in \mathbb{R}^{p_c}, \quad y_\ell \in \{0, 1\}^{p_\ell}$$

- Input :

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} u_c \\ u_\ell \end{bmatrix}, \quad u_c \in \mathbb{R}^{m_c}, \quad u_\ell \in \{0, 1\}^{m_\ell}$$

- Auxiliary binary variables : $\delta \in \{0, 1\}^{r_\ell}$
- Auxiliary continuous variables : $z \in \mathbb{R}^{r_c}$

Assumptions

Recall:

$$\begin{aligned}x(t+1) &= Ax(t) + B_1u(t) + B_2\delta(t) + B_3z(t) \\y(t) &= Cx(t) + D_1u(t) + D_2\delta(t) + D_3z(t) \\E_2\delta(t) + E_3z(t) &\leq E_1u(t) + E_4x(t) + E_5\end{aligned}$$

- Well-Posedness :

$$\{x(t), u(t)\} \rightarrow \{x(t+1)\} \text{ single valued}$$

$$\{x(t), u(t)\} \rightarrow \{y(t)\} \text{ single valued}$$

This allows to define trajectories in x -space

- Physical Constraints :

$$\mathcal{C} \triangleq \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_c \\ u_c \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n_c+m_c} : Fx_c + Gu_c \leq H \right\}$$

\mathcal{C} is a bounded polyhedral set (not restrictive in practice)

This allows to define upper and lower bounds

M, m

Note: Physical constraints are included in the inequality

Propositional Calculus and Linear Integer Programming

Truth table

X_1	X_2	$\sim X_1$	$X_1 \vee X_2$	$X_1 \wedge X_2$	$X_1 \rightarrow X_2$	$X_1 \leftrightarrow X_2$
F	F	T	F	F	T	T
F	T	T	T	F	T	F
T	F	F	T	F	F	F
T	T	F	T	T	T	T

Propositional logic \Leftrightarrow Integer linear inequalities

$X \in \{F, T\} \Leftrightarrow \delta \in \{0, 1\}$

$X_1 \vee X_2$ is equivalent to $\delta_1 + \delta_2 \geq 1$

$X_1 \wedge X_2$ is equivalent to $\delta_1 + \delta_2 \geq 2$

$\sim X_1$ is equivalent to $\delta_1 \leq 0$

$X_1 \rightarrow X_2$ is equivalent to $\delta_1 - \delta_2 \leq 0$

$X_1 \leftrightarrow X_2$ is equivalent to $\delta_1 - \delta_2 = 0$

Logic Facts Involving Continuous Variables

$[f(x) \leq 0] \wedge X$	$f(x) - \delta \leq -1 + m(1 - \delta)$
$[f(x) \leq 0] \vee X$	$f(x) \leq M\delta$
$\sim [f(x) \leq 0]$	$f(x) \geq \epsilon$
$[f(x) \leq 0] \rightarrow X$	$-f(x) + \epsilon \leq (\epsilon - m)\delta$
$[f(x) \leq 0] \leftrightarrow X$	$\begin{cases} f(x) \leq M(1 - \delta) \\ f(x) \geq \epsilon + (m - \epsilon)\delta \end{cases}$

- M, m = upper-, lower-bounds on $f(x)$
- ϵ = small tolerance (e.g. machine precision)
- $X \in \{F, T\}, x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \delta \in \{0, 1\}$

if $f(x)$ linear \Rightarrow Mixed-Integer Linear Inequalities

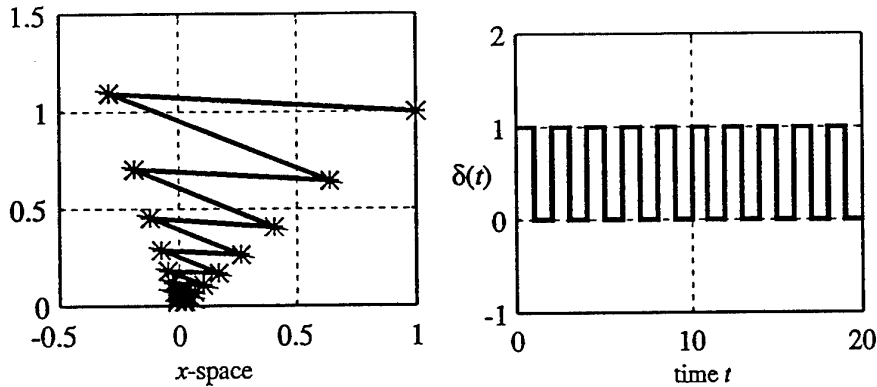
Product of variables

$\delta_3 = \delta_1 \delta_2$	$\begin{cases} -\delta_1 + \delta_3 \leq 0 \\ -\delta_2 + \delta_3 \leq 0 \\ \delta_1 + \delta_2 - \delta_3 \leq 1 \end{cases}$
$y = \delta f(x)$	$\begin{cases} y \leq M\delta \\ y \geq m\delta \\ y \leq f(x) - m(1 - \delta) \\ y \geq f(x) - M(1 - \delta) \end{cases}$

- $M, m =$ upper-, lower-bounds on $f(x)$
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An Example



- System:

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- Rewrite as

$$x(t+1) = [I \quad I] z(t)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ -10 - \epsilon \\ -M \\ -M \\ M \\ M \\ M \\ M \\ -M \\ -M \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \delta(t) + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ I & 0 \\ -I & 0 \\ 0 & I \\ 0 & -I \\ I & 0 \\ -I & 0 \\ 0 & I \\ 0 & -I \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} z(t) \leq \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ [0 \ 1]' \\ -[0 \ 1]' \\ [0 \ 1]' \\ -[0 \ 1]' \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} u(t) + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ A_1 \\ -A_1 \\ A_2 \\ -A_2 \\ I \\ -I \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} x(t) + \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ -\epsilon \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ M \\ M \\ M \\ M \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ N \\ N \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- The origin is globally asymptotically stable

System Theory for MLD Systems

- Well-Posedness
- Stability
- Reachability/Controllability
- Observability/Reconstructibility
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Observability Test for Autonomous MLD Systems

- DEFINITION of *incremental observability*:

$$\forall x_1, x_2 \in \mathcal{X}(0)$$

$$\sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \|y(t, x_1) - y(t, x_2)\|_{\infty} \geq w \|x_1 - x_2\|_1$$

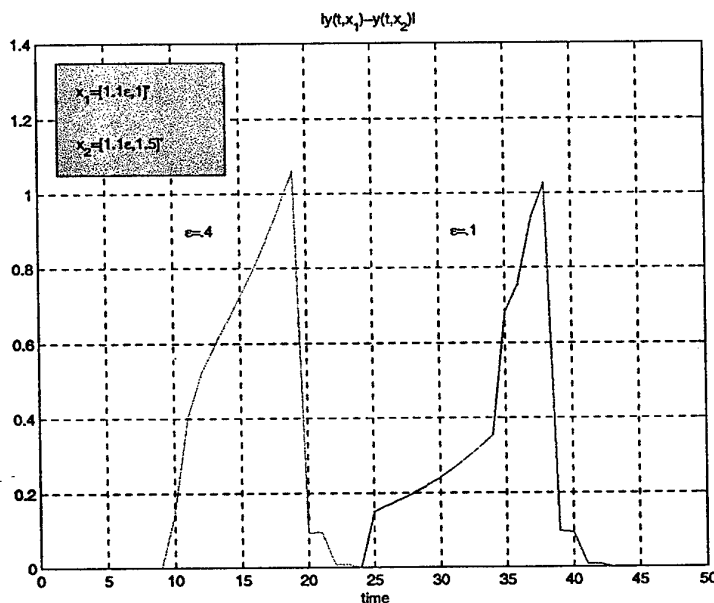
- GOAL : compute minimum number of output measurements necessary to distinguish two initial states $x_1, x_2 \in \mathcal{X}(0)$
- TEST :
 0. Fix w_{\min} as small as desired
($w < w_{\min}$ = practical indistinguishability)
 1. Fix T_{\max} = maximum number of measurements
($T > T_{\max}$ = practical indistinguishability)
 2. $T \leftarrow 1$
 3. Minimize $\sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \|y(t, x_1) - y(t, x_2)\|_{\infty} - w_{\min} \|x_1 - x_2\|_1$
 4. If minimum < 0 , increase T .
 5. If $T > T_{\max}$, STOP (system unobservable)
 6. Go to 3

⇒ Mixed-Integer Linear Program

Observability Index: Example

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} (t+1) = \begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} 1.1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} (t) & \text{if } \epsilon \leq x_1(t) < 1, \epsilon > 0 \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0.9 \\ 0.9 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} (t) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$y(t) = x_1(t), \quad \epsilon < x_1(0) < 1$$



$$T \triangleq \left\lceil \frac{\log \frac{1}{\epsilon}}{\log 1.1} \right\rceil + 1$$

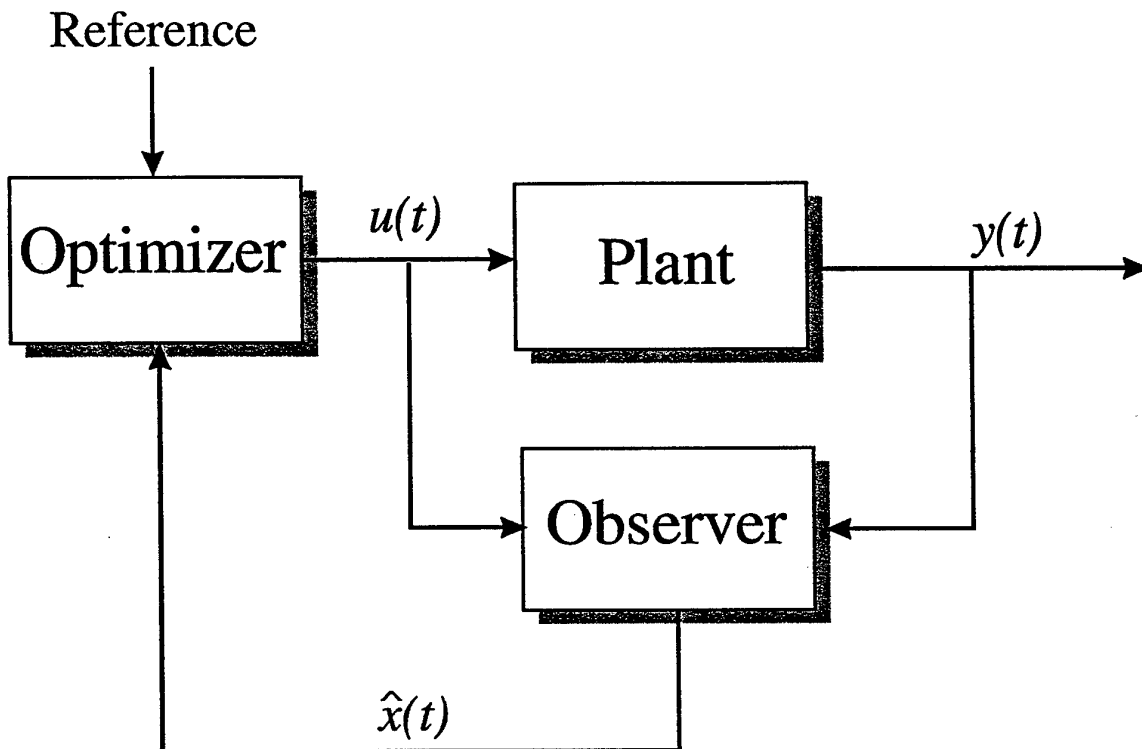
ϵ	T
0.9	3
0.4	11
0.1	26
0.01	50
0.001	74
0	∞

- Observability index T does not depend on state dimension n
- T can be arbitrarily large (also $T = \infty$)

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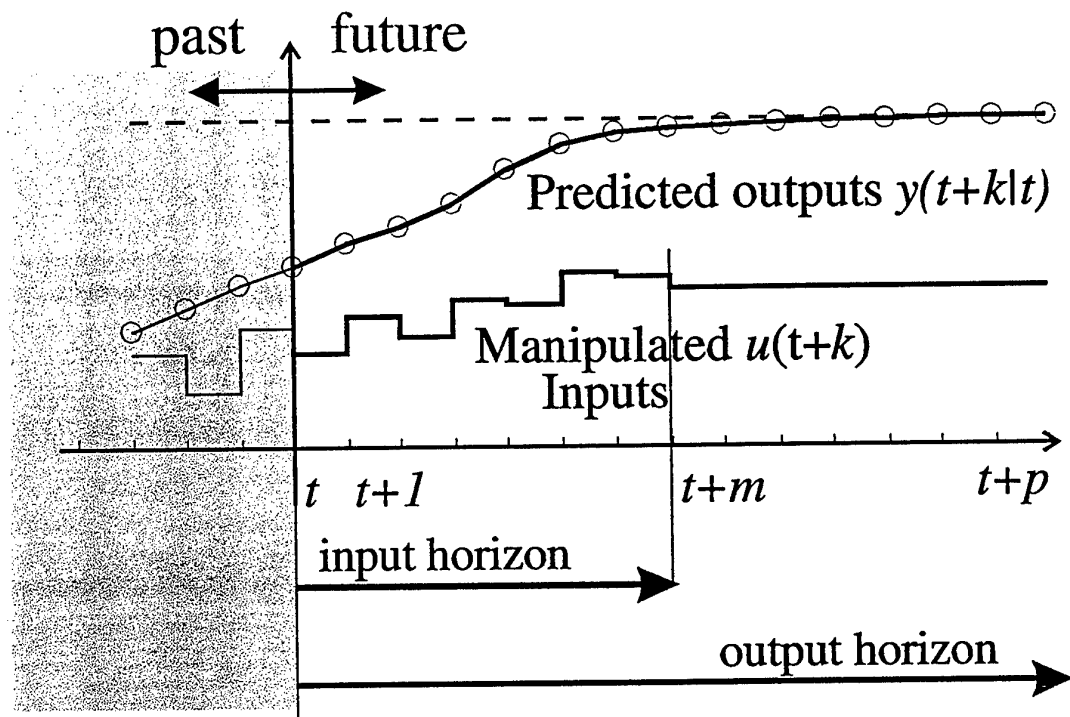
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Model Predictive Control



- **MODEL** : a model of the plant is needed to predict the future behaviour of the plant
- **PREDICTIVE** : optimization is based on the predicted future evolution of the plant
- **CONTROL** : control complex constrained multivariable plants

Optimization Problem

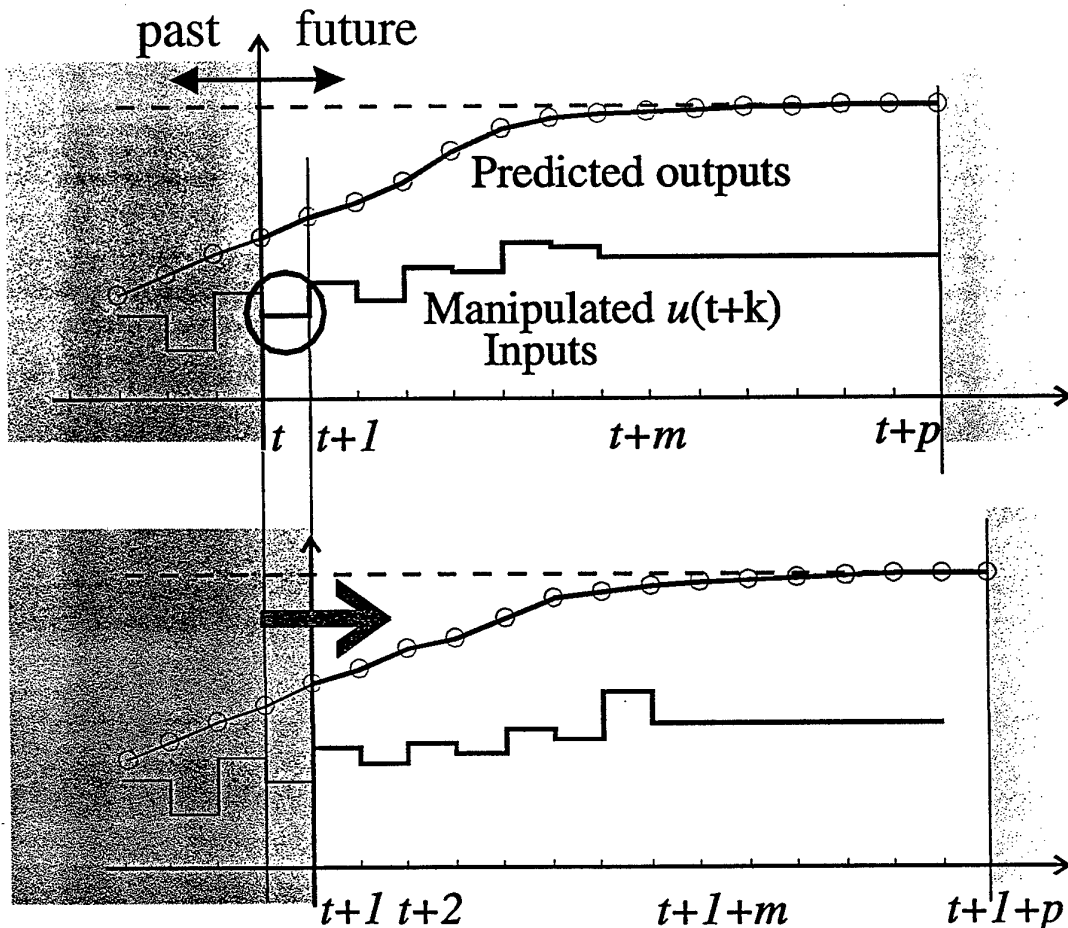


Compute the optimal sequence of manipulated inputs which minimizes

- tracking error = output - reference
- subject to constraints on inputs and outputs

On-line optimization \Rightarrow Receding Horizon

Receding Horizon



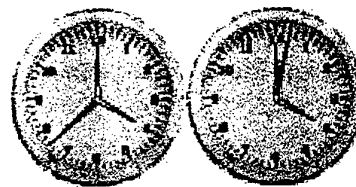
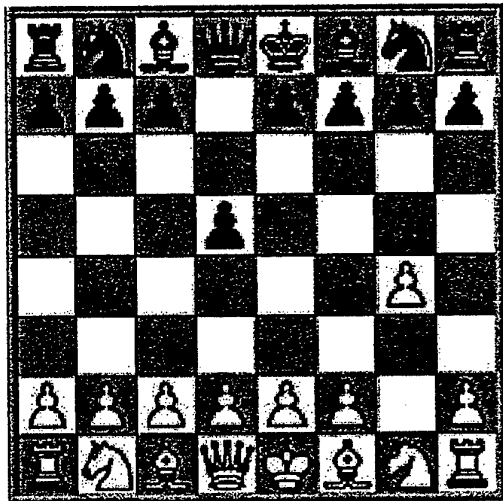
- Optimize at time t (new measurements)
- Only apply the first optimal move $u(t)$
- Repeat the whole optimization at time $t+1$

Advantage of on-line optimization:

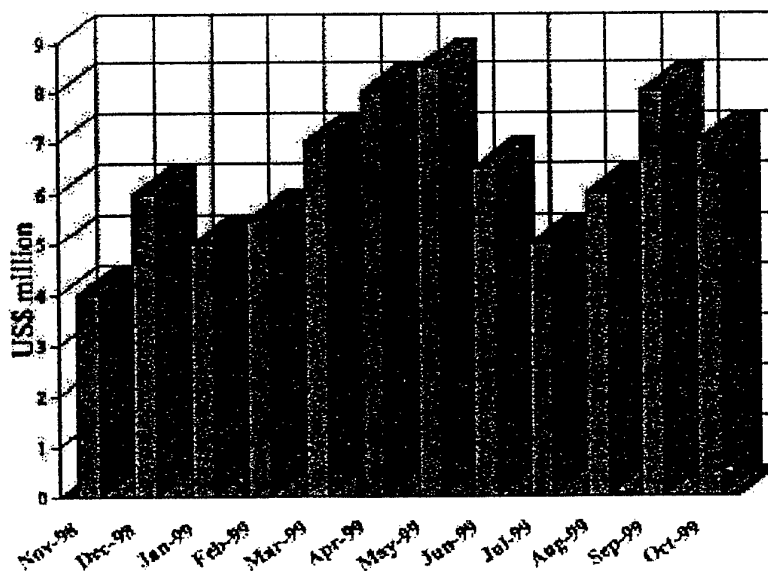
FEEDBACK!

Receding Horizon - Examples

Chess Game



Investment plans



Predictive Controller

- On-line optimization problem (MIQP)

$$\min_{\{v_0^{T-1}\}} J(v_0^{T-1}, x(t)) \triangleq \sum_{k=0}^{T-1} \|v(k) - u_e\|_{Q_1}^2 + \|\delta(k|t) - \delta_e\|_{Q_2}^2$$

$$\|z(k|t) - z_e\|_{Q_3}^2 + \|x(k|t) - x_e\|_{Q_4}^2 + \|y(k|t) - y_e\|_{Q_5}^2$$

$$\text{subj. to } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} x(T|t) = x_e \\ x(k+1|t) = Ax(k|t) + B_1v(k) + \\ \quad B_2\delta(k|t) + B_3z(k|t) \\ y(k|t) = Cx(k|t) + D_1v(k) + D_2\delta(k|t) + D_3z(k|t) \\ E_2\delta(k|t) + E_3z(k|t) \leq E_1v(k) + E_4x(k|t) + E_5 \end{array} \right.$$

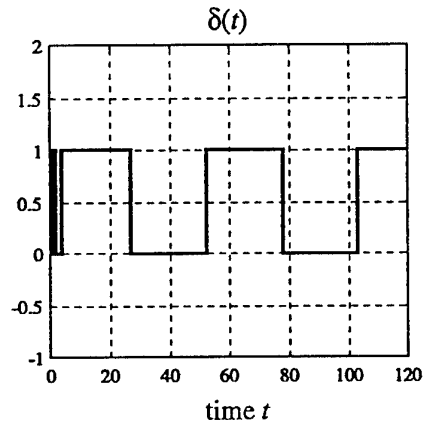
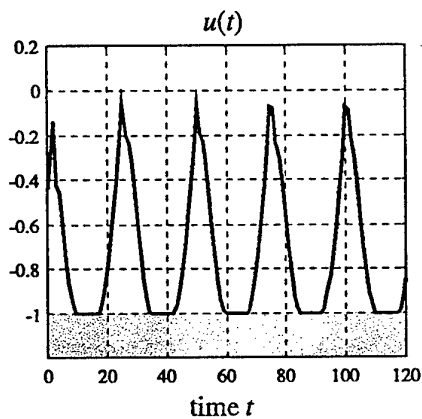
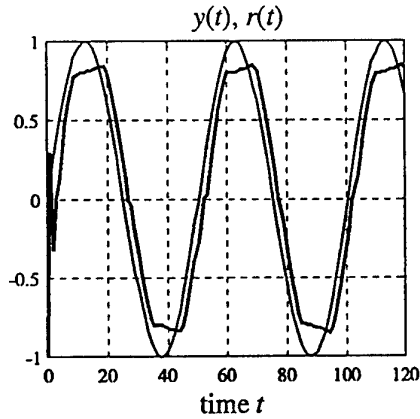
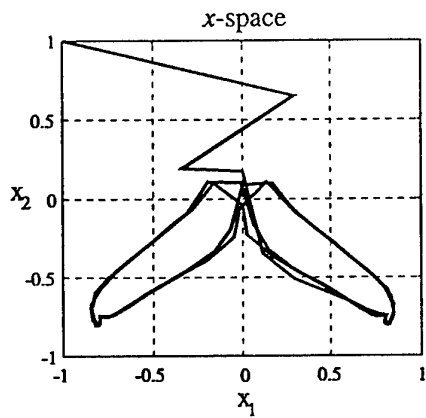
- According to a receding horizon philosophy, set

$$u(t) = v_t^*(0)$$

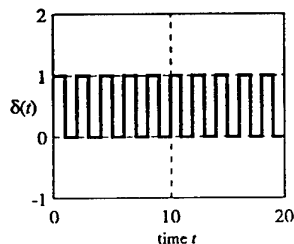
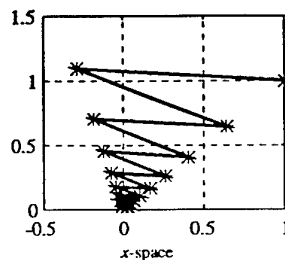
- Repeat everything at time $t + 1$

- Feasibility of MIQP @ $t = 0 \Rightarrow$ closed-loop stability
- Global optimum not needed !

Closed-Loop Example



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x(t+1) = 0.8 \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha(t) & -\sin \alpha(t) \\ \sin \alpha(t) & \cos \alpha(t) \end{bmatrix} x(t) + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u(t) \\ y(t) = [1 \ 0]x(t) \\ \alpha(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{\pi}{3} & \text{if } [1 \ 0]x(t) \geq 0 \\ -\frac{\pi}{3} & \text{if } [1 \ 0]x(t) < 0 \end{cases} \end{array} \right.$$



Computational Aspects

- The on-line optimization problem is a Mixed-Integer Quadratic Program (MIQP)
- No need to reach global optimum (see proof of the theorem)
- Available methods: Generalized Benders' Decomposition, Outer Approximation, LP/QP based branch and bound, and Branch and Bound.
- Branch & Bound is the most effective
- General purpose B&B MIQP solvers available, for both dense and sparse problems (e.g. Fletcher-Leyffer's)

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Fault Detection and State Estimation for Hybrid Systems

- Use Moving Horizon Estimation for MLD Systems (dual of MPC)
- Mixed logic dynamic fault (MLDF) form (Bemporad, Mignone, Morari, 1998):

$$\begin{aligned}
 x(t+1) &= Ax(t) + B_1u(t) + B_2\delta(t) + B_3z(t) \\
 &\quad + B_6\phi(t) + \xi(t) \\
 y(t) &= Cx(t) + D_1u(t) + D_2\delta(t) + D_3z(t) + \\
 &\quad + D_6\phi(t) + \zeta(t) \\
 E_2\delta(t) + E_3z(t) &\leq E_1u(t) + E_4x(t) + E_5 + E_6\phi(t)
 \end{aligned}$$

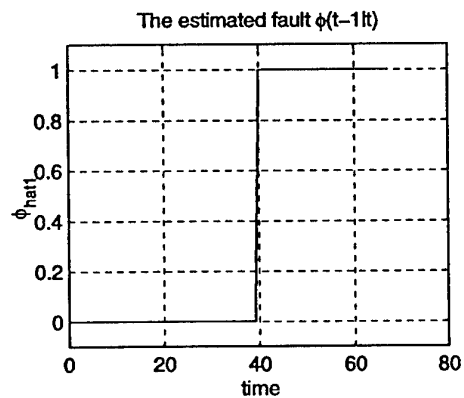
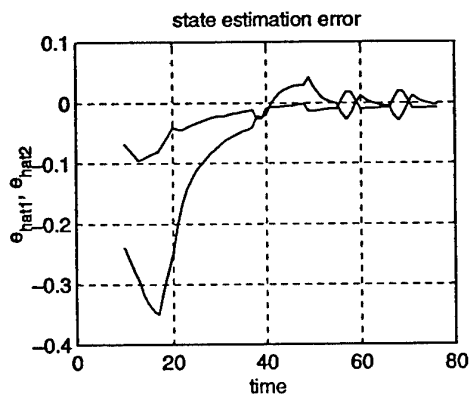
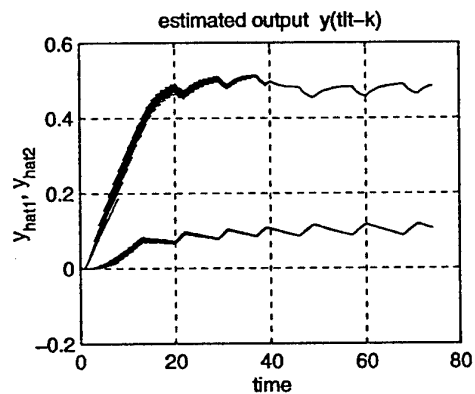
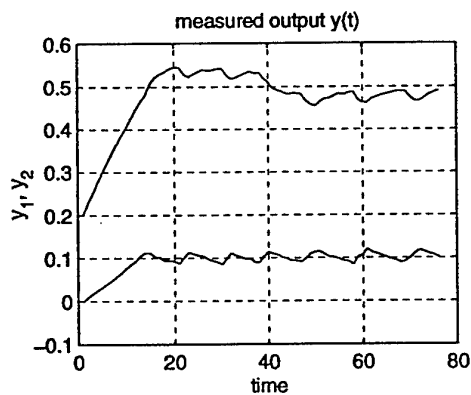
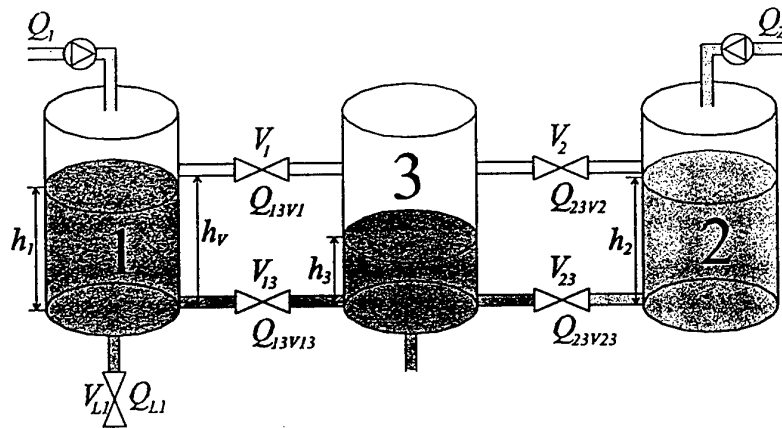
Faults: $\phi(t) \in \{0, 1\}^f$

Disturbances: $\xi(t) \in R^n, \quad \zeta(t) \in R^p$

- At each time t the estimates $\hat{\phi}(t), \hat{x}(t)$ are obtained by minimizing an MIQP over a horizon extending backwards in time

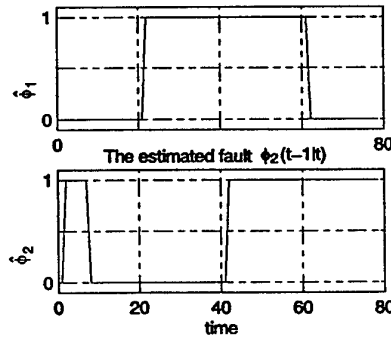
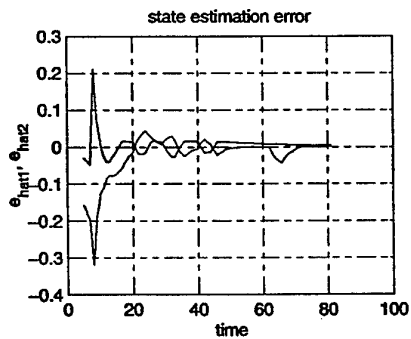
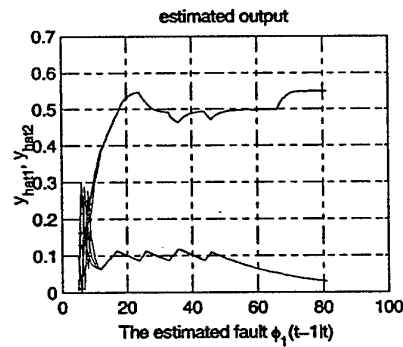
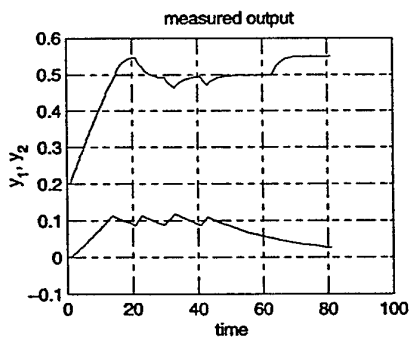
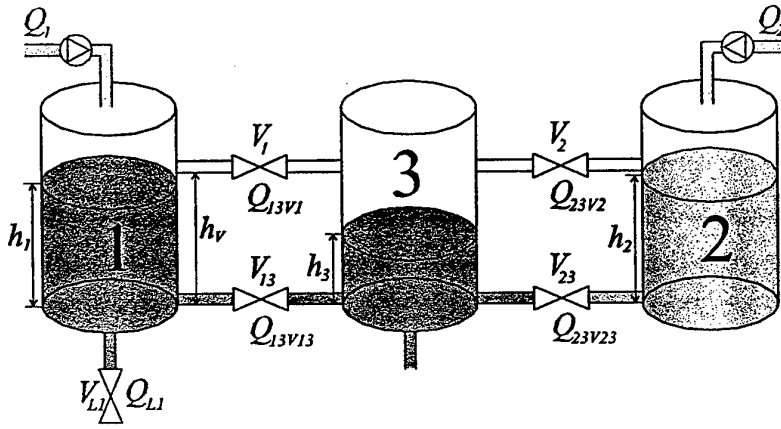
$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{k=t-T+1}^0 \|\hat{y}(k|t) - y(k)\|_{Q_v}^2 + L(\zeta(k|t), \hat{\phi}(k|t), \\
 \hat{x}(k|t), \xi(k|t), \hat{\delta}(k|t), \hat{z}(k|t))
 \end{aligned}$$

Three Tank System: Fault Detection - I



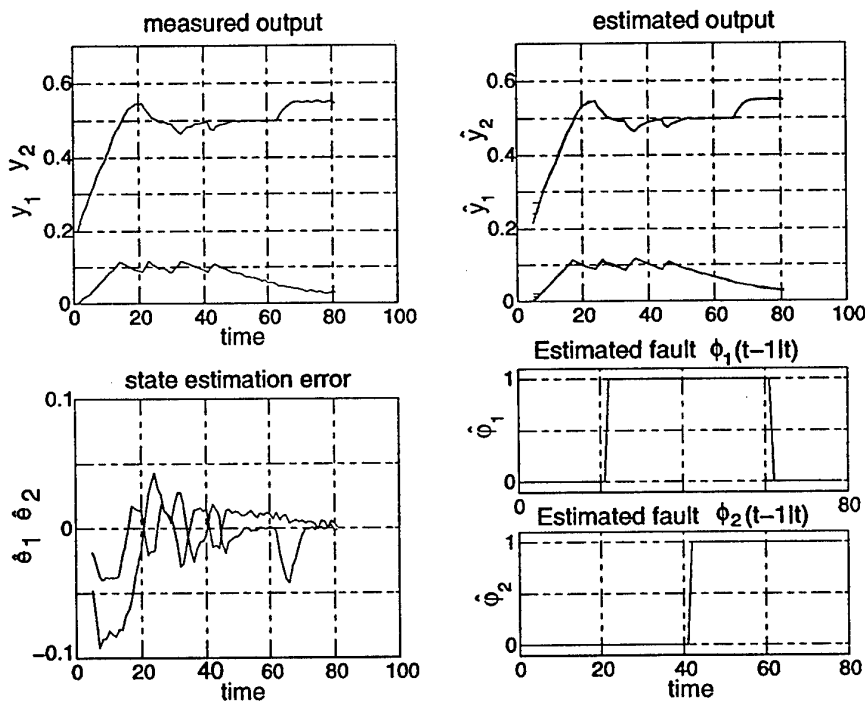
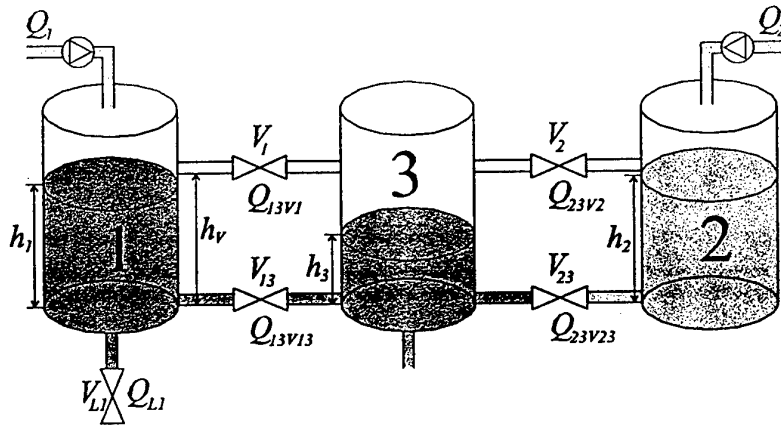
- ϕ_1 : leak in tank 1 at time $t = 38$

Three Tank System: Fault Detection - II



- ϕ_1 : leak in tank 1 for $20s \leq t \leq 60s$
- ϕ_2 : valve V_1 blocked for $t \geq 40s$

Three Tank System: Fault Detection - III



- ϕ_1 leak in tank 1 for $20s \leq t \leq 60s$
- ϕ_2 valve V_1 blocked for $t \geq 40s$
- + logic constraint $[h_1 \leq h_v] \Rightarrow \phi_2 = 0$

Research Program

- Modeling Language and Compiler
 - Express models and specs with “standard” vocabulary
 - Translate into MILP/MIQP
- Verification/Controllability/Reachability
 - Use tools from Polyhedral Computation
 - New case studies
- State Estimation/Fault detection
 - Dual of Model Predictive Control
 - Convergence properties of estimator
- Optimization Algorithms
 - Sparse QP solver
 - New Branch-and-Bound strategies
- Model Reduction/Approximation

HYSDEL

(HYbrid Systems DEscription Language)

- Describe Hybrid Systems in a compact way
 - Propositional Logic
 - Dynamics
 - Constraints
- Automatically generate MLD models
- MLD model is not unique in terms of the number of auxiliary variables \Rightarrow optimize model: # binary variables = min.!
- Reduction of model complexity for models containing purely logic relations
(Truth Tables \Rightarrow Convex Hull)

HYSDEL Example

Automotive Active Leveler

% Description of variables and constants

```
state f,h,x11,x12;
input d,dc,dev;
```

```
const OTh, OT1, ITh, IT1;
const M1,M2,M3,M4,m1,m2,m3,m4;
const e;
const Ts,cbar,evbar,eats,cmax,cmin,evmax,evmin;
```

% Variable types

```
real f,h,z1,z2,z3,d,dc,dev;
logic d1,d2,d3,d4,d5,d6,d7,d8,d9,d10,d11,d12,d13,d14;
```

% Relations

```
d1 = {f-ITh <= 0, M1, m1, e};
d2 = {f-IT1 <= 0, M2, m2, e};
d3 = {f-OTh >= 0, M3, m3, e};
d4 = {f-OT1 >= 0, M4, m4, e};
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d5 = ~x11 & d3; % Should be accepted also: d5=(1-x11)&d3, d5=(1-x11)*d3
d6 = x11 & ~d1;
d7 = x12 & d2;
d8 = ~x12 & ~d4;
d9 = d5 | d6;
d10 = d7 | d8;
d11 = ~x11 & x12;
d12 = x11 & ~x12;
d13 = ~(~d9 & ~d10 & d14);
d14 = x11 | x12;
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z1 = d11 * (cbar + dc) {cmax,cmin,e};
z2 = d12 * (evbar + dev) {evmax,evmin,e};
z3 = (eats * f + (1 - eats) * h)*d13 {10*OTh,10*OT1,e};
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% Other constraints

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must x11 + x12 <= 1;
must ~(d9 & d10);
must ~(d11 & d12);
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% Update

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update f = z3;
update h = h + Ts * (d + z1 + z2);
update x11 = d9;
update x12 = d10;
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General Transformation of Truth Tables into Linear Integer Inequalities

T:

x_1	x_2	\dots	x_{n-1}	$x_n = F(x_1, \dots, x_{n-1})$
0	0		0	1
0	0		1	0
\vdots	\vdots		\vdots	
1	1		1	1

\Downarrow

$$A\delta \leq B, \delta \in \{0, 1\}^n$$

Theorem:

The polytope $P \triangleq \{\delta : A\delta \leq B\}$ is the convex hull of the rows of the truth table T

$$P = \text{conv}(T)$$

(Bemporad and Mignone)

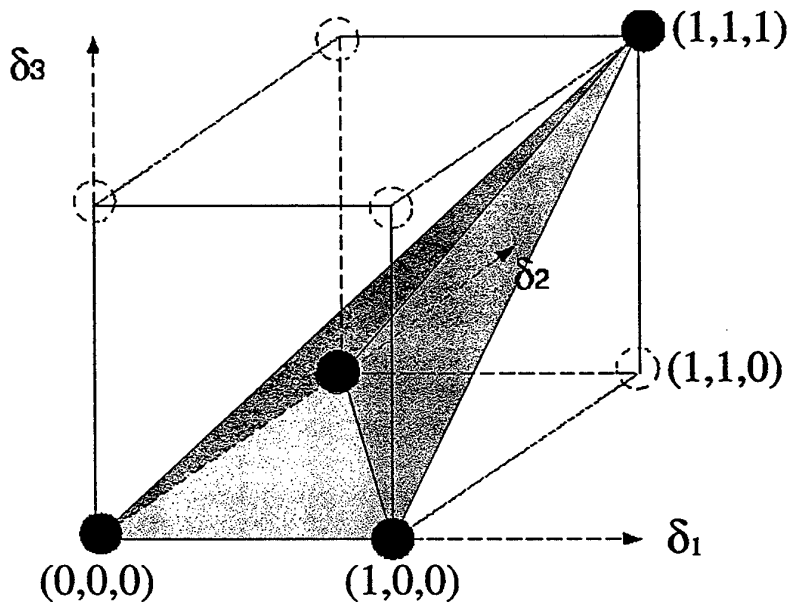
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Every logic proposition can be translated into linear integer inequalities

Truth Tables \Rightarrow Linear Integer Inequalities

Example: "AND"

δ_1	δ_2	δ_3
0	0	0
0	1	0
1	0	0
1	1	1



$$\text{conv} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \left\{ \delta : \begin{array}{l} -\delta_1 + \delta_3 \leq 0 \\ -\delta_2 + \delta_3 \leq 0 \\ \delta_1 + \delta_2 - \delta_3 \leq 1 \end{array} \right\}$$

Algorithm to compute convex hull: lrs

(David Avis, McGill Univ.) <ftp://mutt.cs.mcgill.cs/pub/c>

Other algorithms: qhull, chD, Hull, Porto, cdd.

Research Program

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Formal Verification of Hybrid Systems

- MLD Model:

$$x(t+1) = Ax(t) + B_1w(t) + B_2\delta(t) + B_3z(t)$$

$$y(t) = Cx(t) + D_1w(t) + D_2\delta(t) + D_3z(t)$$

$$E_2\delta(t) + E_3z(t) \leq E_1w(t) + E_4x(t) + E_5$$

- *Verification Problem VP #1*: Find max range for $y(t)$
 $\forall t \geq 0, w(t) \in W, x(0) \in \mathcal{X}(0)$
- *Verification Problem VP #2*: $\forall w \in W$ and $\forall x(0) \in \mathcal{X}(0)$ verify that $x(t) \in \mathcal{X}_s$ (set of safe states)
- Simple solution (VP #1): Solve $\forall T \geq 0$

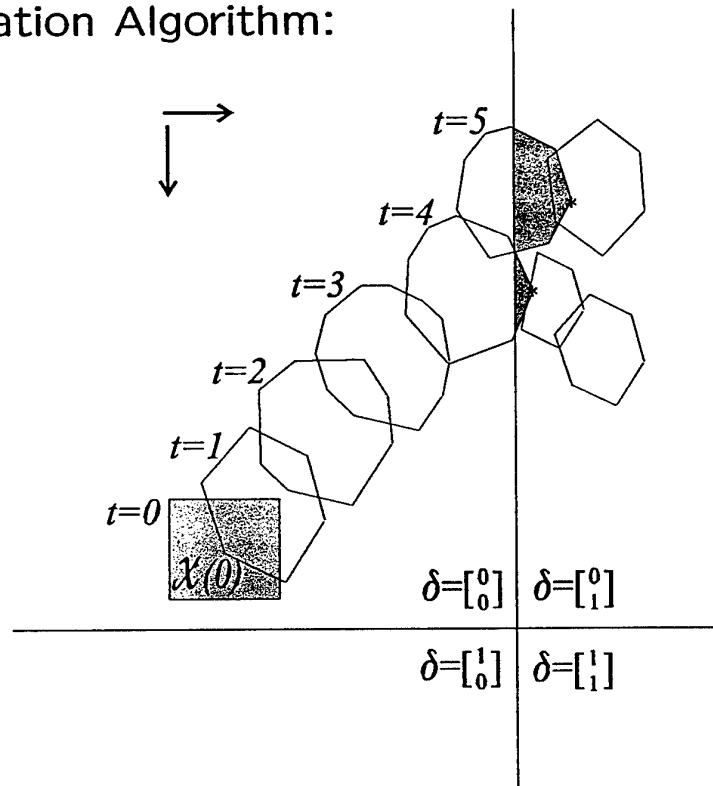
$$\max_{x(0), \{w(t), \delta(t), z(t)\}_{t=0}^T} y(T) = Cx(T) + D_1w(T) + D_2\delta(T) + D_3z(T)$$

$$\text{subj. to } \begin{cases} x(0) \in \mathcal{X}(0) \\ w(t) \in W, 0 \leq t \leq T \\ x(t+1) = Ax(t) + B_1w(t) + B_2\delta(t) + B_3z(t) \\ E_2\delta(t) + E_3z(t) \leq E_1u(t) + E_4x(t) + E_5 \end{cases}$$

- Similarly for VP #2: feasibility test with $x(T) \notin \mathcal{X}_s$
- IMPRACTICAL ! (even for polyhedral sets $W, \mathcal{X}_s, \mathcal{X}(0)$, because of integer constraints)

Verification Algorithm

- RMK: when $\delta(t) \equiv \text{const}$, system behaves linearly.
- IDEA: hypothetically partition $\mathbb{R}^{n_c} = \bigcup_{i=1}^N C_i$ ($N \leq 2^{r_c}$) where $x_c(t) \in C_i \Leftrightarrow \delta(t) = \delta_i$
- Exploration Algorithm:



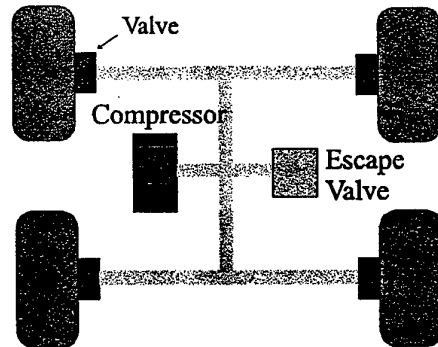
$$\max_{\{w(k), z(k)\}_{k=0}^t, x_c(0), \delta(t)} \begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ -x(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{subj. to } \begin{cases} x(k+1) = Ax(k) + B_1 w(k) + B_2 \delta(k) + B_3 z(k) \\ E_2 \delta(k) + E_3 z(k) \leq E_1 w(k) + E_4 x(k) + E_5 \\ w(k) \in W, k = 0, \dots, t \\ \delta(k) = \delta_i, k = 0, \dots, t-1, \delta(t) \in \{0, 1\}^{r_c} \\ x(0) \in \mathcal{X}(0) \end{cases}$$

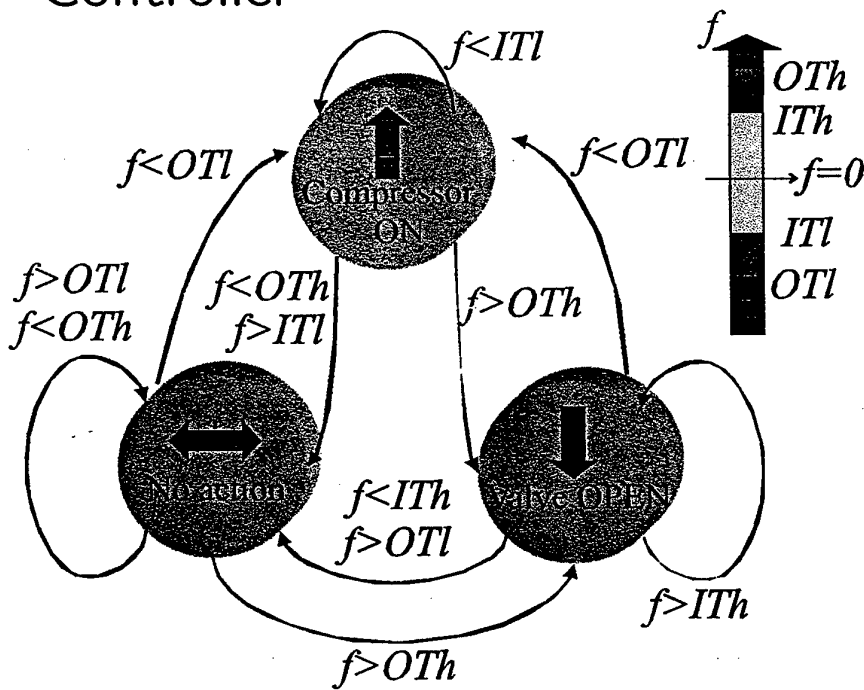
- Reachable set implicitly defined by linear inequalities (Hp: $W, \mathcal{X}(0), \mathcal{X}_s$ polytopes)

Example: Verification of an Automotive Active Leveler

System



Controller



$$f = \frac{1}{1 + as} h$$

- For a given set of initial conditions, variation of parameters, and road conditions:

(VP#1) Find worst performance

(VP#2) Verify that height is within desired limits

Verification of an Automotive Active Leveler - II

- System can be transformed into MLD form

Continuous states	2
Logic states	2
Disturbance inputs	3
Boolean auxiliary variables	14
Continuous auxiliary variables	3

- Results and computational times:

$-44.54 \leq h(t) \leq 25.00$	4 m 25 m	Pentium II 400 MHz SPARCstation 20 (M-code)
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- No use of fast iterative reach-set projection
- Use of rectangular approximation of initial sets

- Using HyTech (Stauner *et al.*, 1997):

$-47 \leq h(t) \leq 27$	62 m	SPARCstation 20
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- Analytical solution (Elia and Brandin, 1998):

$-43 \leq h(t) \leq 23$	— — —	by-hand
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Note: exact limits in discrete-time \neq continuous-time

Research Program

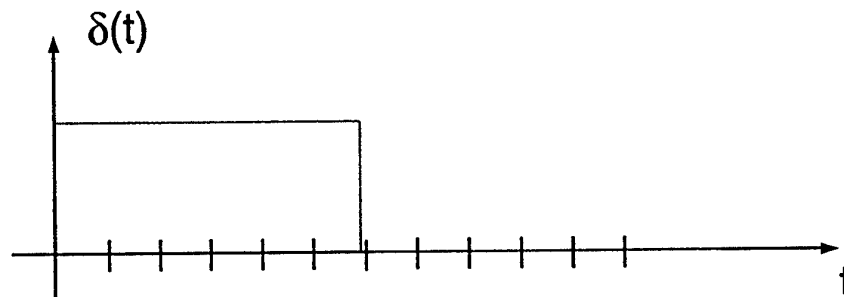
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Branch & Bound for Optimal Control (and Fault Detection) of Hybrid Systems

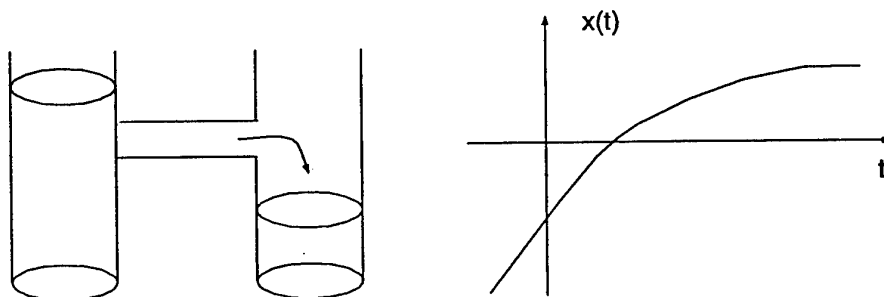
(A.Bemporad, D. Mignone, M.Morari) ...

Key Idea:

1. Optimal sequences $\{ \delta(0), \delta(1), \dots, \delta(T) \}$
have FEW switches

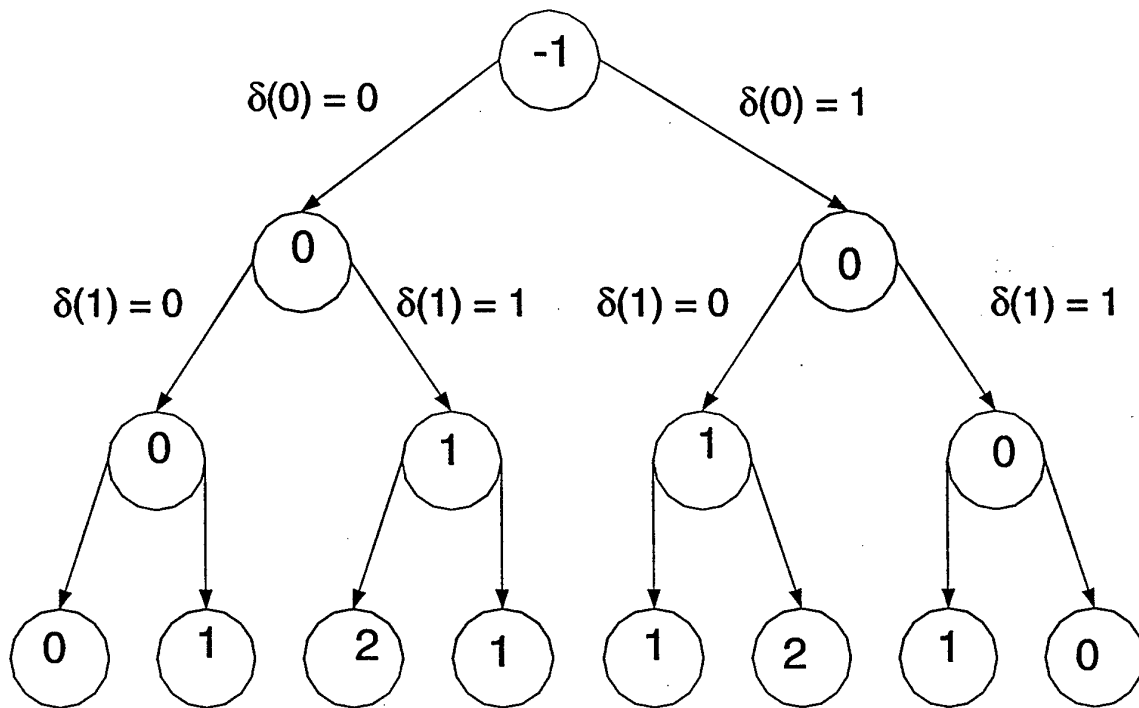


example: $[\delta(t) = 1] \leftrightarrow [x(t) \geq 0]$



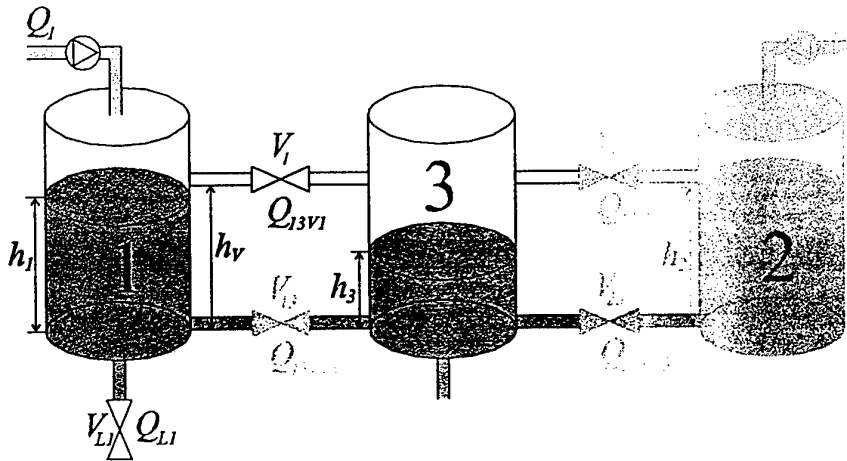
2. Order the sequences by number of switches:
0000, 1111; 0001, 0011; 0010, 0110; ...

Branch & Bound for Hybrid Systems

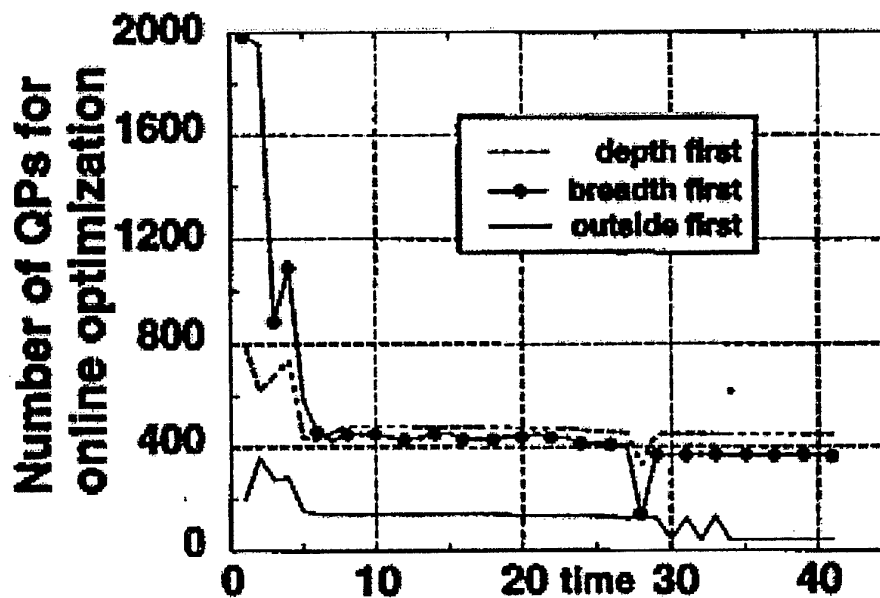


- First explore combinations of δ with low number of switches (“outside first” strategy)
- Assumption: global optimum is reached early \Rightarrow large subtrees are fathomed.
- If not enough available computation time look only for sequences having a number of switches $\leq K_{max}$

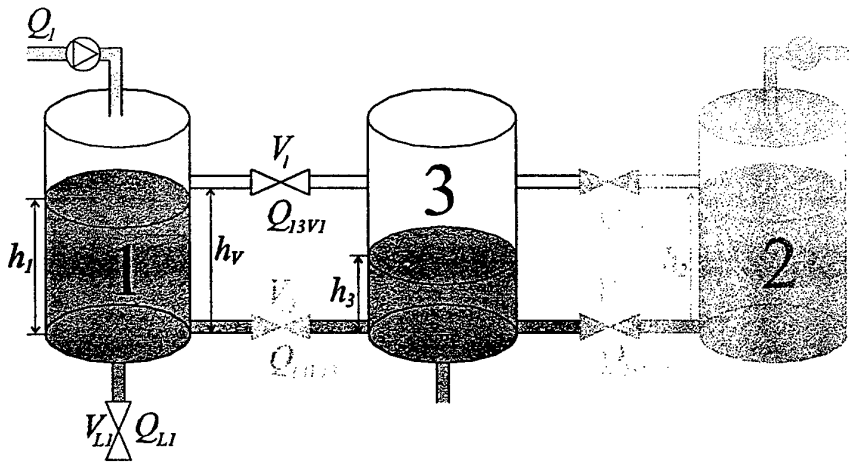
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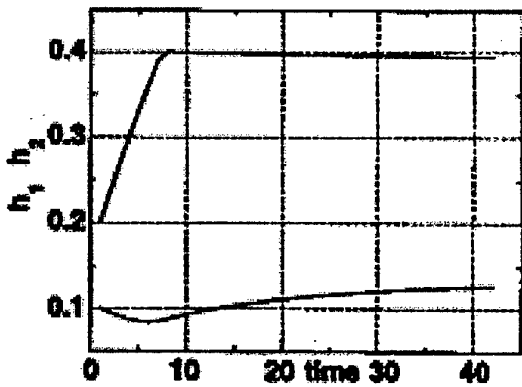
Number of QPs in receding horizon control using different tree exploring strategies



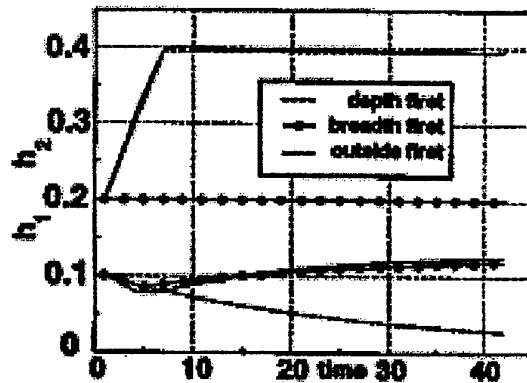
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Trajectories using suboptimal MIQP solutions:
Limiting the number of QPs at each time step



global optimum



limiting # QPs

Premise

- The discussed problems are important but inherently difficult
- All useful techniques must involve significant off-line and/or on-line computation

Results

- New System Type:
Mixed Logical Dynamical (MLD) System
- Many practical problems can be represented in MLD form
- Control, estimation, and verification require solution of Mixed-Integer Linear (or Quadratic) Programs (MILP, MIQP) for which efficient techniques are becoming available

ROLLOUT ALGORITHMS: PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

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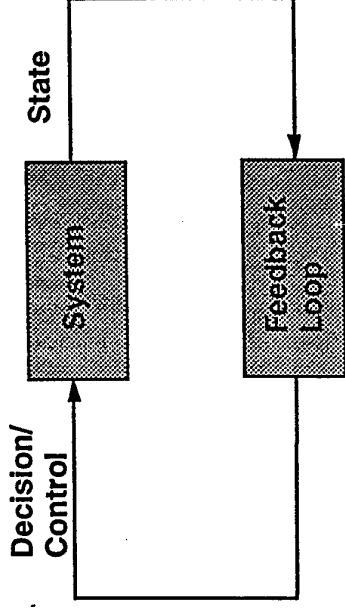
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OUTLINE

- **Neuro-Dynamic Programming**
- **Rollout policies**
- **Use of rollout policies in deterministic combinatorial optimization**
- **The breakthrough problem**
- **Average performance analysis**

DYNAMIC PROGRAMMING / DECISION AND CONTROL

- **Main ingredients:**
 - State evolving over time (e.g., a Markov chain)
 - Decision/control applied at each time
 - Reward is obtained at each time period
 - There may be noise & model uncertainty
 - There is state feedback used to determine the control

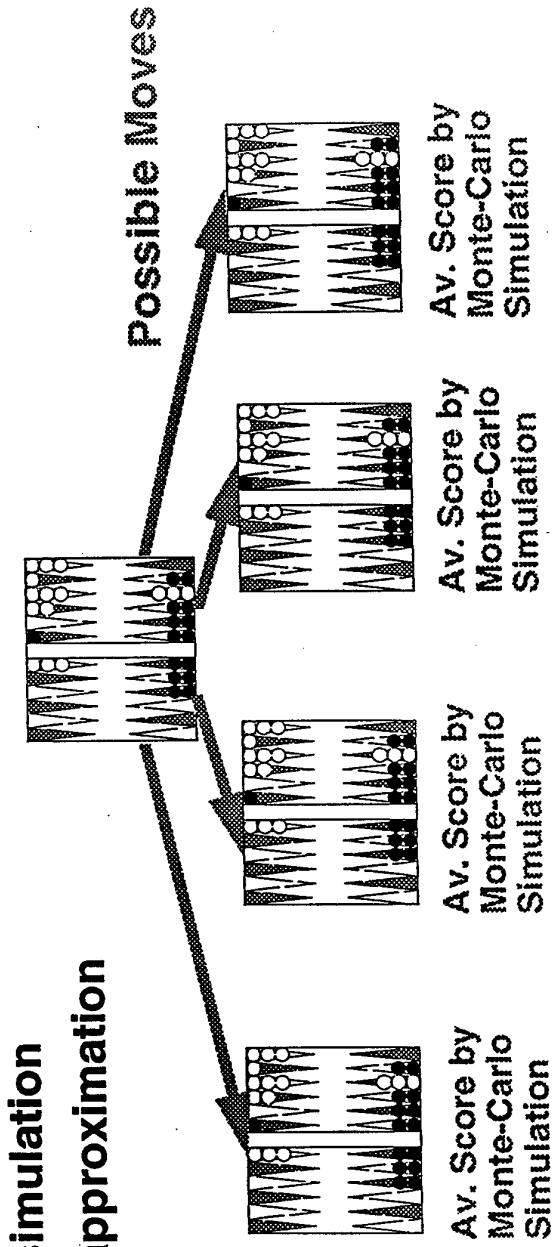


DP and NDP

- **DP: Optimal decision at the current state maximizes the expected value of Current stage reward + Future stages reward starting from the next state (using opt. policy)**
- **NDP: Instead select decision that maximizes expected value of Current stage reward + Approximate future stages reward starting from the next state**
- **Approximate future reward function chosen from a parametric class with few parameters**

ROLLOUT POLICIES (Tesauro 1996)

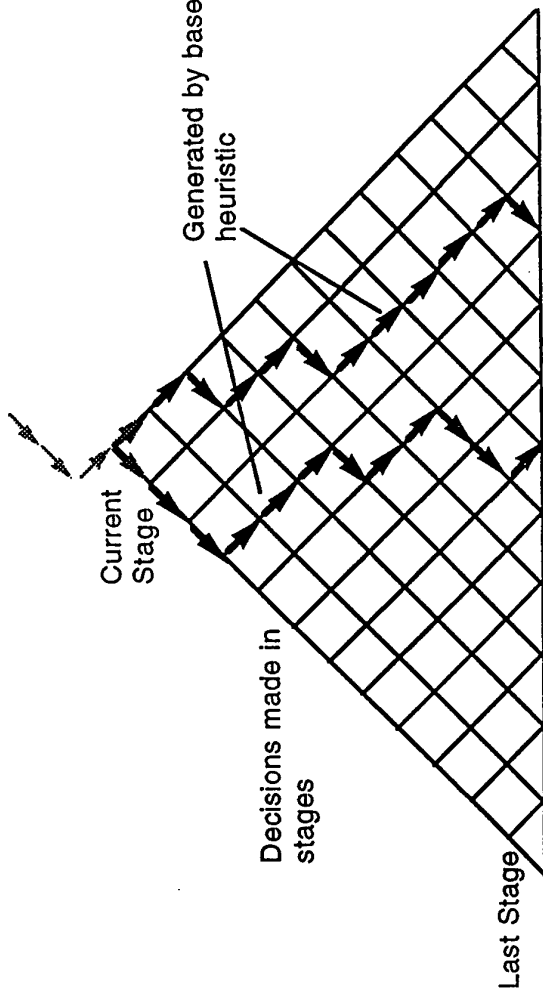
- Use as approximate reward the reward of some suboptimal base policy (one-step policy iteration)
- Evaluation of base policy by
 - simulation
 - approximation



Rollout Algorithms: Performance Analysis

DETERMINISTIC PROBLEMS

- Use a heuristic as a base policy
- At each state, consider all possible next states, and run the heuristic (once) from each
- Select the next state with best heuristic reward



ROLLOUT POLICY PROPERTIES

- **Forward looking (the heuristic runs forward)**
- **Self-correcting (the heuristic is reapplied at each time step)**
- **Suitable for on-line use, replanning**
- **Policy improvement result: Rollout policy improves on the base heuristic (Bertsekas, Tsitsiklis, Wu, J. Heuristics, 1997)**
- **Substantial positive experience, e.g., for scheduling problems**
 - Bertsekas and Castanon
 - Donohue, Bertsekas, and Tsitsiklis

PERFORMANCE QUESTIONS

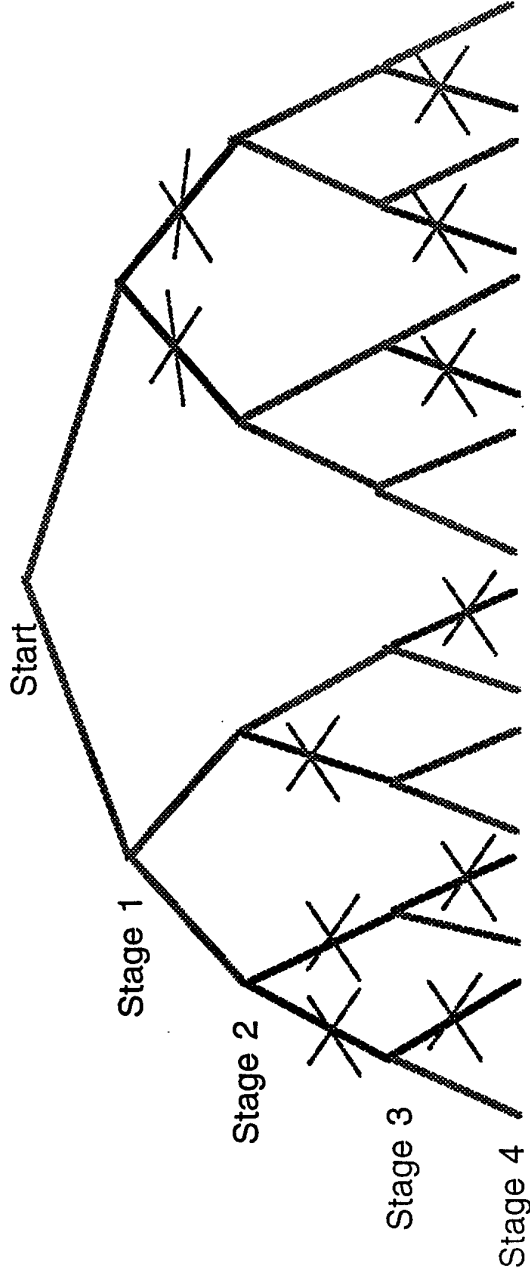
- How much better than the base heuristic?
- How close to optimal?
- Proper size of lookahead?

The art of doing mathematics is to find that special case which contains all the germs of generality

Hilbert

THE BREAKTHROUGH PROBLEM

- **Consider:**
 - Binary tree with N stages
 - Each arc is **FREE** or **BLOCKED**
- **Find a FREE path**



AVERAGE PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

- Randomization over problem class: Each arc is FREE with prob. p , independently of others
- Calculate Probability(p, N) of finding a free path for:
 - The optimal DP algorithm [complexity $O(2^N)$]
 - The greedy algorithm: use the first available free arc [complexity $O(N)$]
 - The rollout algorithm using the greedy as base heuristic [complexity $O(N^2)$]
- For a rollout with limited lookahead, what is the impact of the size of lookahead?

OPTIMAL BREAKTHROUGH PROBABILITY

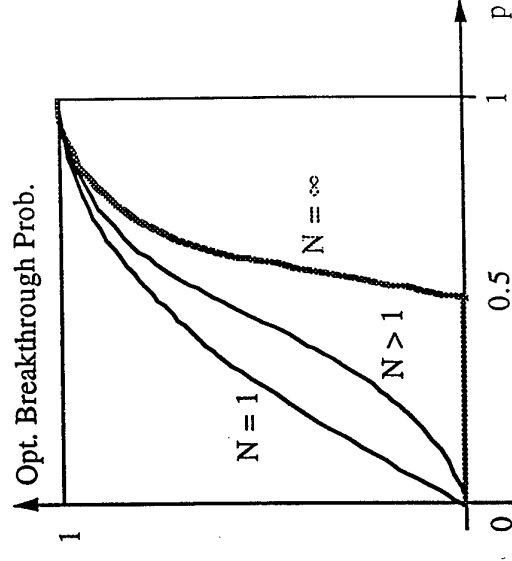
- The optimal breakthrough probability, $B^*(p, N)$, for an N-stage problem is given by:

$$B^*(p, N) = p(2 - pB^*(p, N - 1))B^*(p, N - 1)$$

$$B(p, 0) = 1$$

$$B^*(p, N) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{if } p \leq 0.5$$

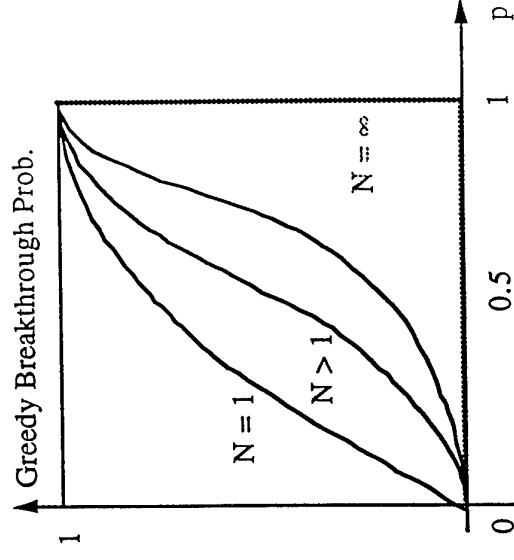
$$B^*(p, N) \rightarrow \frac{2p-1}{p^2} \quad \text{if } p > 0.5$$



GREEDY BREAKTHROUGH PROBABILITY

- The greedy breakthrough probability, $G(p, N)$, for an N -stage problem is given by:

$$G(p, N) = (p(2 - p))^N$$



ROLLOUT TO GREEDY RATIO

Recursion yields

$$\frac{R(p, N)}{G(p, N)} = \frac{R(p, N-1)}{G(p, N-1)} + \frac{p}{2-p} (1 - R(p, N-1))$$

so

$$\frac{R(p, N)}{G(p, N)} = O\left(N \frac{p}{2-p}\right)$$

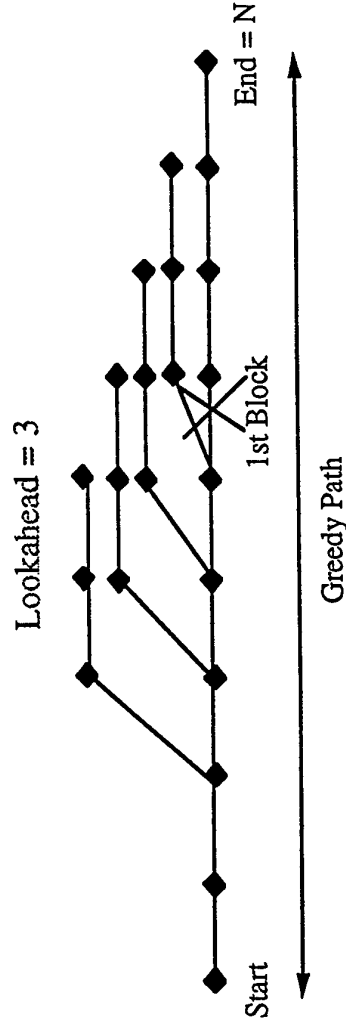
Rollout:

Does N times more work

Achieves N times better performance

ROLLOUT WITH LIMITED LOOKAHEAD m

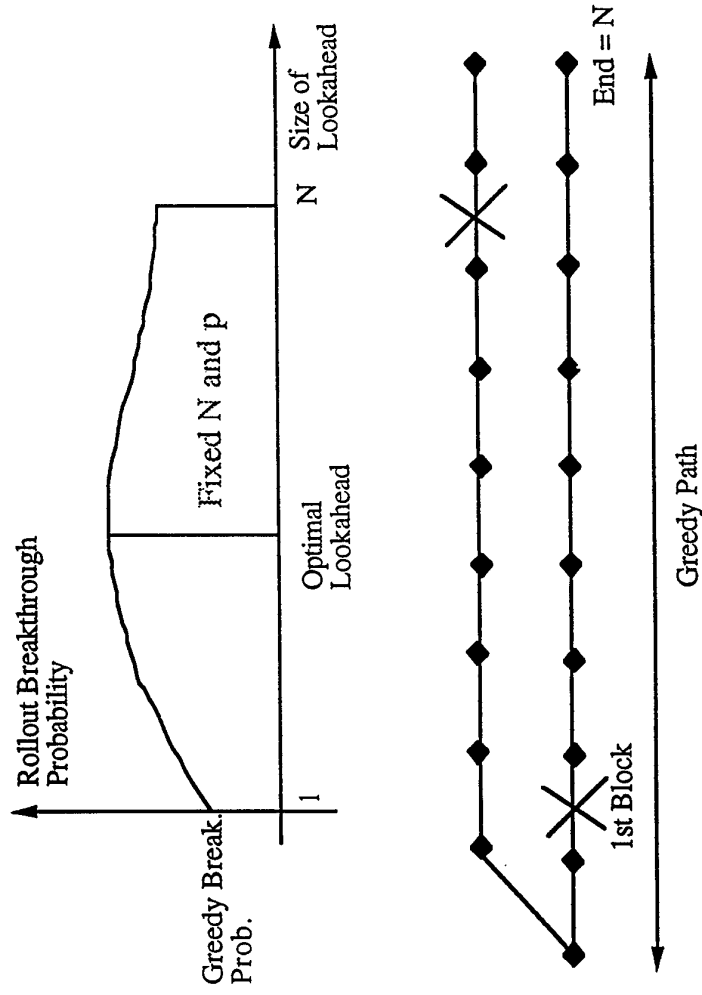
- The length of the greedy paths is reduced to m
- With lookahead of m , the complexity of rollout is reduced to $O(mN)$
- Limited lookahead does not guarantee improvement of rollout over greedy (for a single problem instance)



LITERATURE ON LIMITED LOOKAHEAD

- Rolling horizon results (Alden and Smith, 1992, Hernandez-Lerma and Lasserre, 1990)
- Receding horizon results (Mayne and Michalska, 1990, Keerthi and Gilbert, 1986)
- Game/computer program literature (Chess, Backgammon, etc)
- General story: As the length of lookahead increases, the performance improves

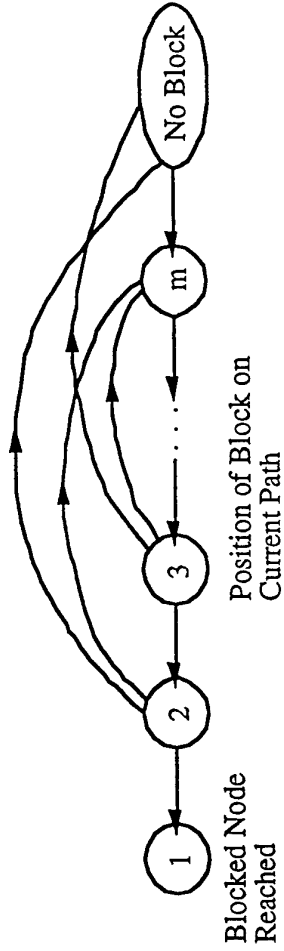
EXPERIMENTAL OBSERVATION



Long lookahead is more susceptible to extraneous info

MARKOV ANALYSIS OF LOOKAHEAD

- State is position of 1st block on the default path



- Rollout breakthrough prob. with lookahead m
= Prob. of NOT reaching state 1 in N steps
= $O((\max \text{ eigenvalue of transition matrix})^N)$

ROLLOUT TO GREEDY RATIO

- Rollout to greedy ratio increases exponentially

$$\frac{R(p, N, m)}{G(p, N, m)} = O(\lambda(p, m)^N)$$

- Optimal lookahead maximizes $\lambda(p, m)$ over m , and is independent of N (for large N)

SHORTEST PATHS WITH 0-1 LENGTHS

- Qualitatively similar story
- Interesting shortest path analysis (Karp and Pearl, 1983)
- With unlimited lookahead

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\text{Av. Rollout Cost per Stage}(p, N)}{\text{Av. Greedy Cost per Stage}(p, N)} = 1$$

- With limited lookahead m

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\text{Av. Rollout Cost per Stage}(p, N, m)}{\text{Av. Greedy Cost per Stage}(p, N, m)} < 1$$



The Behavioral Approach
to
Systems Modelling
and
Control

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Aim :

to provide a mathematical language for

- modelling
 - analysis
 - synthesis — control filtering
- of dynamical systems

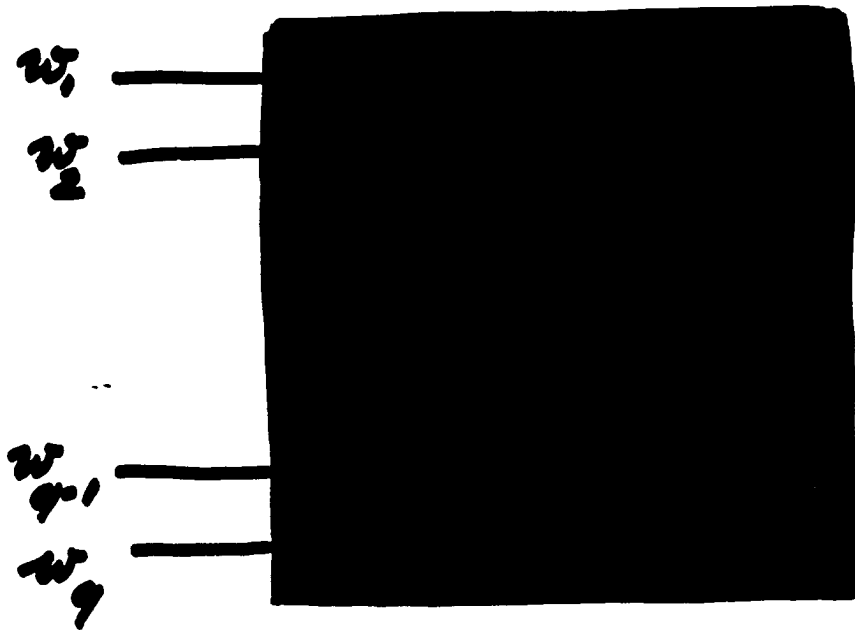
Topics to be covered

- Modeling ideas
- Latent variables
- Linear time-invariant systems
- Elimination
- Controllability
- Observability
- Control in a behavioral setting

First principles modelling

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Forming*

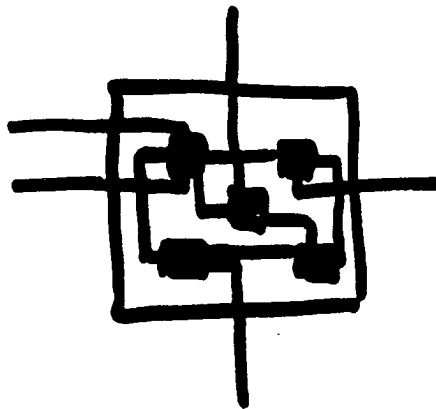
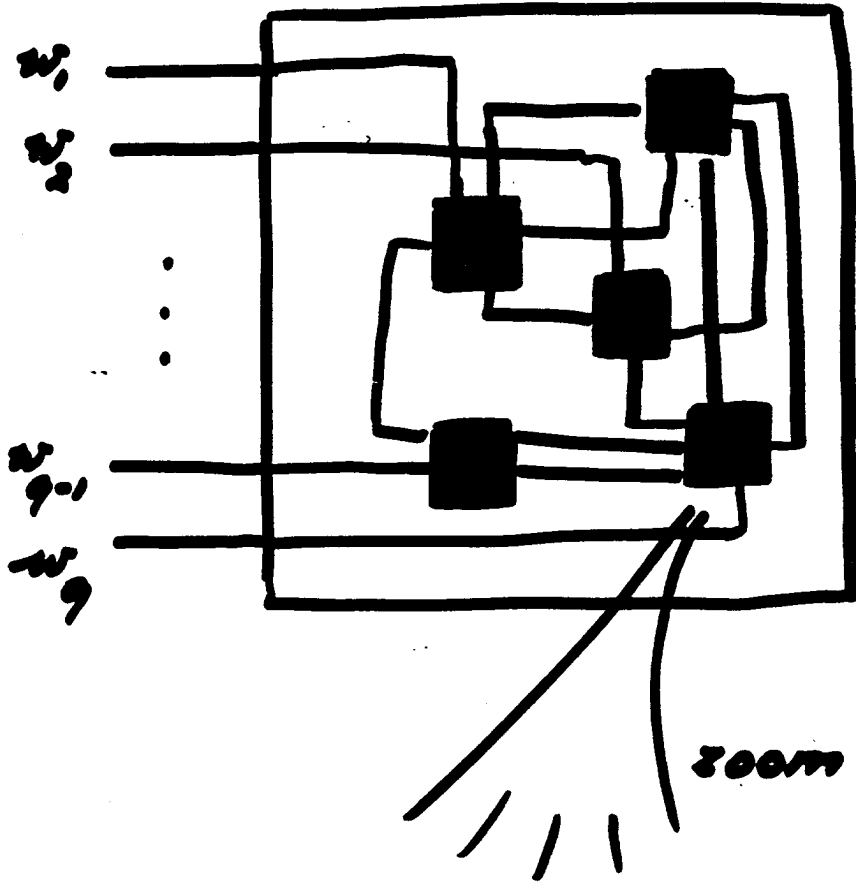
Modeling problem:
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Model (dynamical) relation
among variables

$$w_1, w_2, \dots, w_9$$

Teasing & Framing

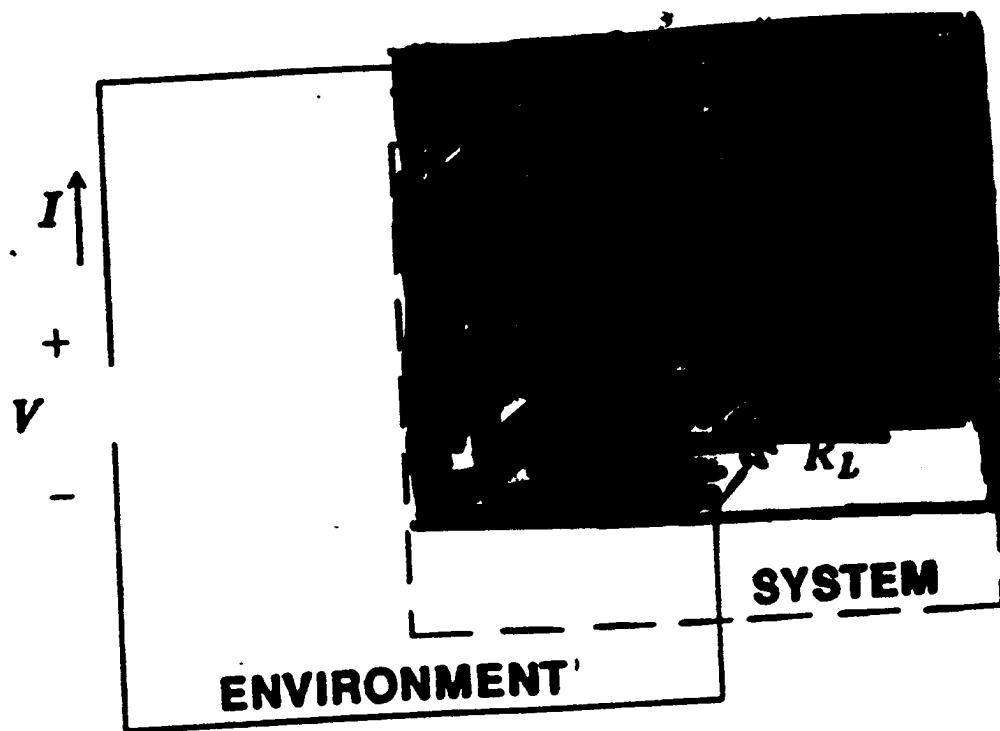


Example:

an RLC - circuit

Introduce

$V_R, I_R; V_L, I_L; V_C, I_C; V_R, I_R$



Model the relation between
port voltage V and port
current I

Constitutive equations:

$$V_{R_C} = R_C I_{R_C} ; V_{R_L} = R_L I_{R_L} ; C \frac{dV_C}{dt} = I_C ; L \frac{dI_L}{dt} = V_L \quad (CE)$$

Kirchhoff's current laws:

$$I = I_{R_C} + I_L ; I_{R_C} = I_C ; I_L = I_{R_L} ; I_C + I_{R_L} = I \quad (KCL)$$

Kirchhoff's voltage laws:

$$V = V_{R_C} + V_C ; V = V_L + V_{R_L} ; V_{R_C} + V_C = V_L + V_{R_L} \quad (KVL)$$

Far distance from

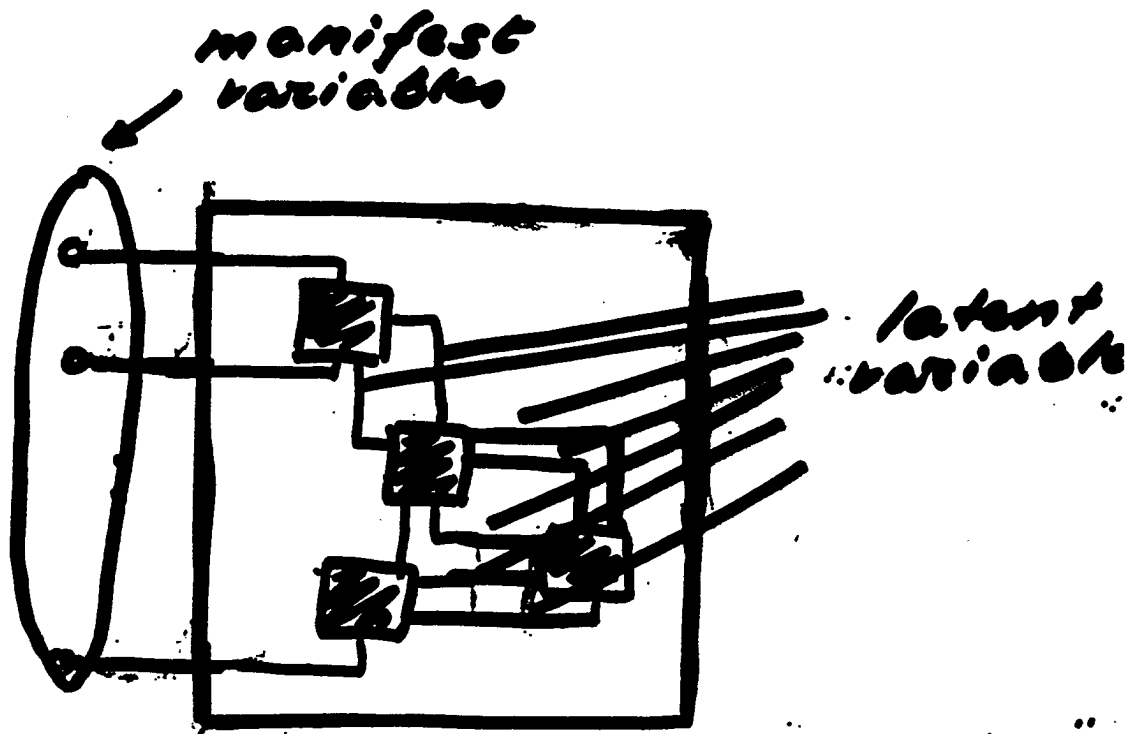
$$\frac{d}{dt} x = f(x, u)$$

or transfer function

We want a theory
that can take such
a set of equations
as its

starting point

TEARING & POONING



$$w = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_9 \end{bmatrix}$$

manifest

$$l = \begin{bmatrix} l_1 \\ l_2 \\ \vdots \\ l_d \end{bmatrix}$$

latent

Resulting model (case of diff. eqns):

manifest var.

$$f_1 \left(w, \frac{d}{dt} w, \dots, \frac{d^N}{dt^N} w, l, \frac{d}{dt} l, \dots, \frac{d^N}{dt^N} l \right)$$

latent var.

$$\textcircled{=} f_2 \left(w, \dots, \frac{d^N}{dt^N} w, l, \dots, \frac{d^N}{dt^N} l \right)$$

system equations

This is, in principle, our starting point for analysis and synthesis of dynamical systems!

End point of modelling phase

→ initial point of analysis

synthesis algorithms

behavioral approach"

*Abstract
framework*

Axiomatics

Formalism: SYSTEMS

Phenomena are time functions

A dynamical system is a triple

$$\Sigma = (T, W, \mathcal{B})$$

$T \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ time-axis

W signal space

$\mathcal{B} \subseteq W^T$ behaviors

$T = \mathbb{R}$ (or \mathbb{R}_+) continuous-time s.

$= \mathbb{Z}$ (or \mathbb{Z}_+, \mathbb{N}) discrete —

$W = \mathbb{R}^q$ lumped systems

$=$ finite set DES

$=$ function space DPS

The behavior expresses the laws
elements of \mathcal{B} : possible

A dyn. system with latent var.

$$\Sigma_L = (T, W, L, \mathcal{B}_f)$$

$T \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ time-axis

W space of manifest va

L space of latent var.

$\mathcal{B}_f \subseteq (W \times L)^T$ full behavior



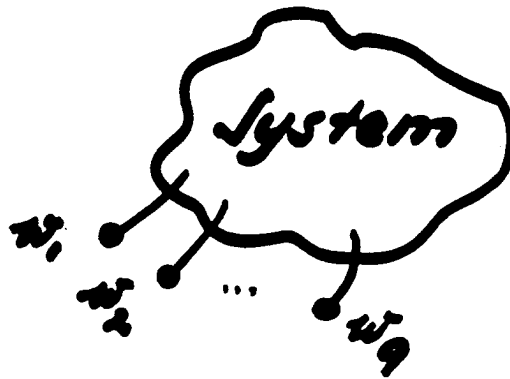
$$\Sigma = (T, W, \mathcal{B})$$

$$\mathcal{B} := \{w: T \rightarrow W \mid \exists \ell: T \rightarrow L \text{ such that } (w, \ell) \in \mathcal{B}_f\}$$

manifest behavior
- objective of model

Linear
time - invariant
systems

Dynamic system



$$R \left(\frac{d}{dt} \right) w =$$

dynamic relation among variables (w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n) : system \approx behavior

- finite number of real variables
- relation is linear
time-invariant
- laws can be expressed as differential equations

→ (linear time-invariant) Differential systems

LTI

$$w = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ \vdots \\ w_9 \end{bmatrix}$$

model variables

$$R_0 w + R_1 \frac{dw}{dt} + \dots + R_L \frac{d^L w}{dt^L} = 0$$

$\cdot \times 9$

$$R_0, R_1, \dots, R_L \in \mathbb{R}^{9 \times 9}$$

model parameters

$$R(\xi) := R_0 + R_1 \xi + \dots + R_L \xi^L \in \mathbb{R}^{9 \times 9}[\xi]$$

$\cdot \times 9$

$$R \left(\frac{d}{dt} \right) w = 0$$

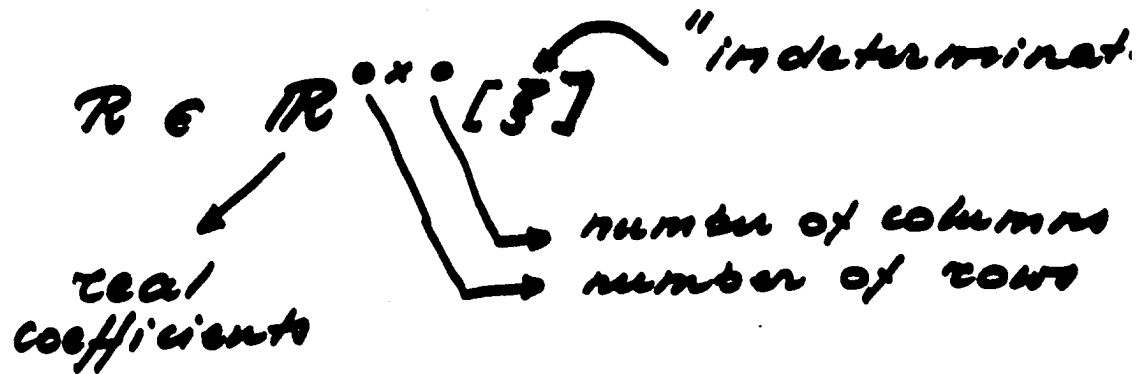
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$$\Sigma = (\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^9, \mathcal{B})$$

\mathcal{B} : solution set of
kernel representation



Polynomial matrices



$$\xi \rightarrow x \in \mathbb{R} \rightsquigarrow R(x) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$$

$$\xi \rightarrow a \in \mathbb{C} \rightsquigarrow R(a) \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$$

$$\xi \rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \rightsquigarrow R\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right) \quad \text{differential operator}$$

$$\xi \rightarrow A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m} \rightsquigarrow R(A) \quad \text{matrix}$$

etc.

$$R(\xi) = R_0 + R_1 \xi + \dots + R_{L-1} \xi^{L-1} + R_L \xi^L$$

Linear time-invariant case
with latent variables

$$R_0 w + R_1 \frac{d}{dt} w + \dots + R_N \frac{d^N}{dt^N} w \\ = M_0 \ell + M_1 \frac{d}{dt} \ell + \dots + M_N \frac{d^N}{dt^N} \ell$$

may be written more compactly
as

$$R\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right) w = M\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right) \ell$$

LTI
starting
point

$$R(\zeta) = R_0 + R_1 \zeta + \dots + R_N \zeta^N$$

$$M(\zeta) = M_0 + M_1 \zeta + \dots + M_N \zeta^N$$

"Elimination"
theorem

Elimination

first principles model

$$R\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)w = M\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)\ell$$

in this case (LTI!) there exists another polynomial matrix such that

$$\tilde{R}\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)w = 0$$

kernel representation

is equivalent

meaning: same trajectories w

$(R, M) \xrightarrow{\text{Gröbner basis type algorithms}} \tilde{R}$

EX. : RES - ...

CASE 1 : $\frac{R_L}{L} \neq \frac{1}{CR_C}$

solve for V_C -- obtain

(CE) + (*) + (***) + RBD +

$$\left(\frac{R_C}{R_L} + \left(1 + \frac{R_C}{R_L}\right) CR_C \frac{d}{dt} + CR_C \frac{L}{R_L} \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \right) V$$
$$= \left(1 + CR_C \frac{d}{dt}\right) \left(1 + \frac{L}{R_L} \frac{d}{dt}\right) R_C I$$

CASE 2 : $\frac{R_L}{L} = \frac{1}{CR_C}$ obtain

(CE) + (*) + (***) $\neq V_C + CR_C \frac{dV_C}{dt} = V$

$$\left(\frac{R_C}{R_L} + CR_C \frac{d}{dt} \right) V = \left(1 + CR_C \frac{d}{dt}\right) R_C I$$

$$f_1\left(w, \frac{dw}{dt}, \dots, \frac{d^N w}{dt^N}, t, \frac{dt}{dt}, \dots, \frac{d^N t}{dt^N}\right) \\ = f_2(\text{---})$$

Are the laws implied by this system of diff. eqns. on the variables $w = (w_1, w_2, \dots, w_9)$ also differential equations?

In general: NO!

(not a matter of smoothness.)

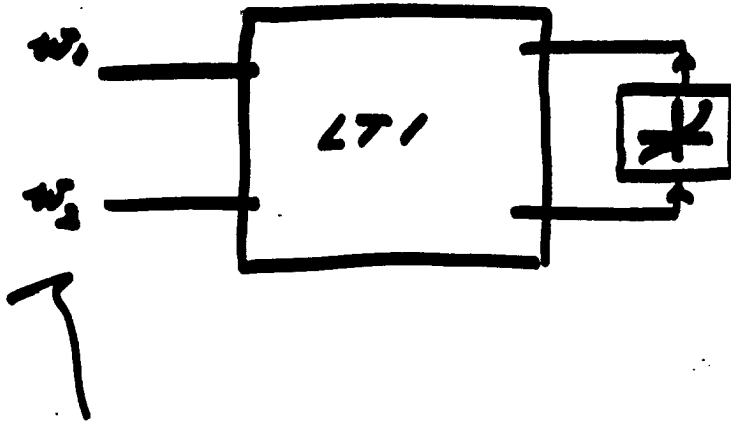
$$\tilde{f}_1\left(w, \frac{d}{dt} w, \dots, \frac{d^N}{dt^N} w\right) = \tilde{f}_2(\text{---})$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} x = f(x, w_1)$$

$$w_2 = h(x, w_2)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} x = f(x)$$

doubtful!
starting pts



no reason why relation
between w_1 and w_2
is a differential equation!

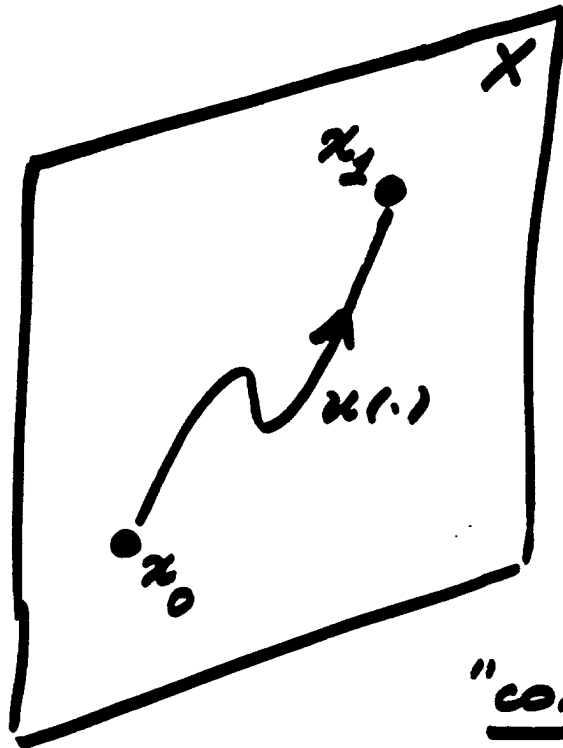
not a matter of smoothness...

Controllability
and
Observability
in a
Behavioral
Setting

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = f(x, u)$$

$$(y = h(x, u))$$

classical
def:



"controllability"

'Thm': Every input/output system
(transfer fn, convolution \int)
can be represented by a st. sp.
system that is cont. & observ.

Not a system property?

Representation dependent?

Since depends on
state representation!

$\Gamma = (T, \mathcal{W}, \mathcal{B})$ is said to be
controllable if

$$\forall w_1, w_2 \in \mathcal{B}$$

$$\exists w \in \mathcal{B} \text{ and } T \geq 0$$

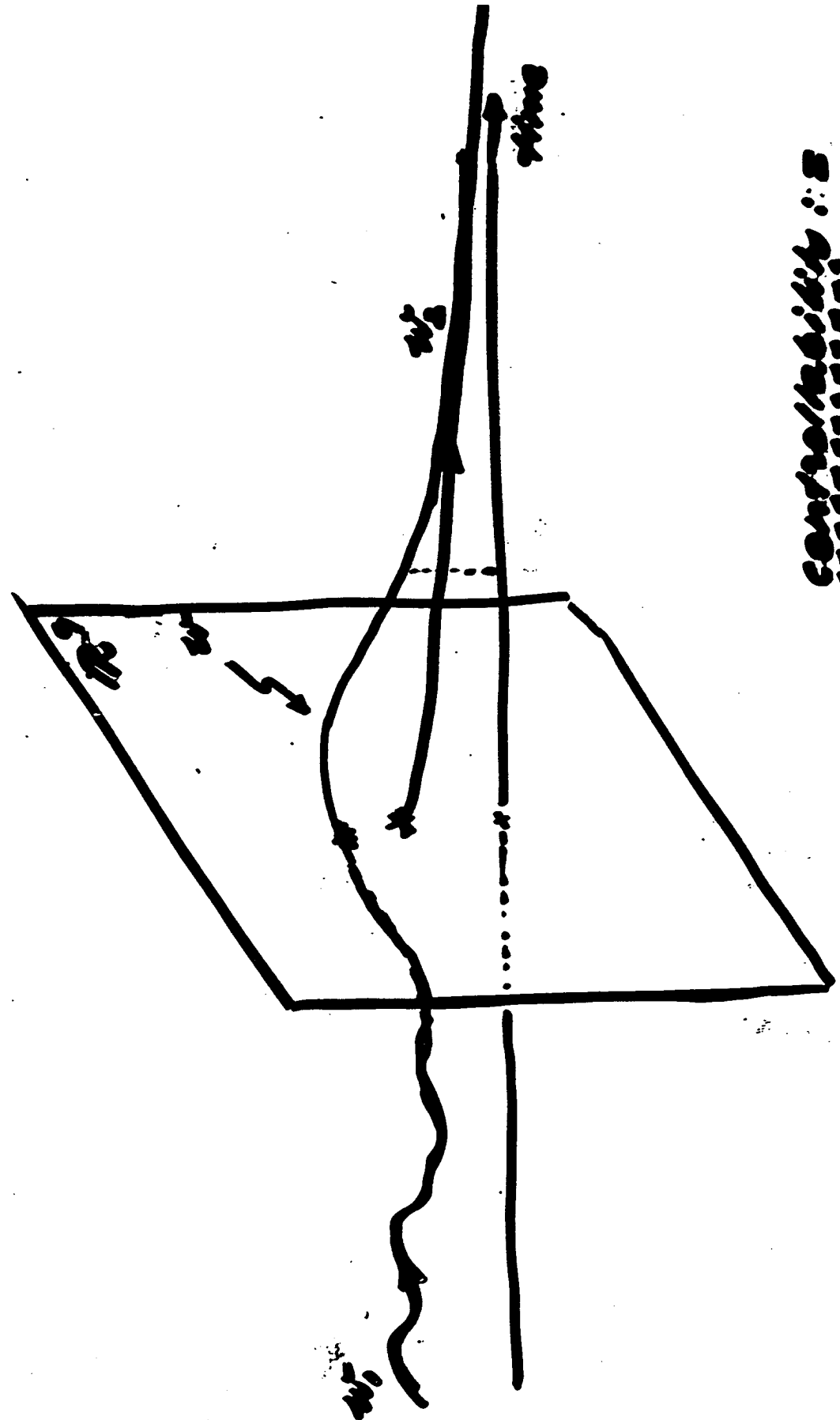
\Rightarrow

$$w(t) = \begin{cases} w_1(t) & t < 0 \\ w_2(t-T) & t \geq T \end{cases}$$

Def. is representation
independent

nicely generalizable to
 n -D systems
e.g. PDE's

behavioral eq
w : idem



completeness :
w : idem

Result: $R_0 + R_1 s + \dots + R_N s^N$ is a polynomial matrix

$R(\frac{d}{dt}) w = 0$ is controllable if and only if

$\Rightarrow R(\lambda)$ has the same rank for all complex $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$

$$= R_0 + R_1 \lambda + \dots + R_N \lambda^N$$
 (with R_0, \dots, R_N labeled as real matrices and λ labeled as complex numbers)

$R(\lambda)$ complex matrix

cf PBH-to

1. there exists algorithms deciding controllability from R_0, R_1, \dots, R_N .
2. this result has been generalized to nonlinear (diff. algebraic) systems

$f(w, \frac{d}{dt} w, \dots, \frac{d^N}{dt^N} w) = 0$

equivalence:

$$\mathcal{R} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \right) w = 0$$

defines a controllable (LTI) system if and only if it admits a representation as

$$w = \mathcal{M} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \right) \ell$$

"flat" systems

also studied in nonlinear case

• $\mathcal{R} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \right) w = \mathcal{M} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \right) \ell$

first principles model

• $\mathcal{R} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \right) w = 0$

kernel repr.:
after elimination

• $w = \mathcal{M} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \right) \ell$

image repr.:
⇔ controllable

... for LTI case ...

Generalization to distributed delay systems.

$$R\left(\frac{d}{dt}, \Delta\right) w = 0$$

↙ ↘
diff. delay
operator

is controllable iff

$\text{rank } R(\lambda, e^{-\lambda}) \text{ constant}$

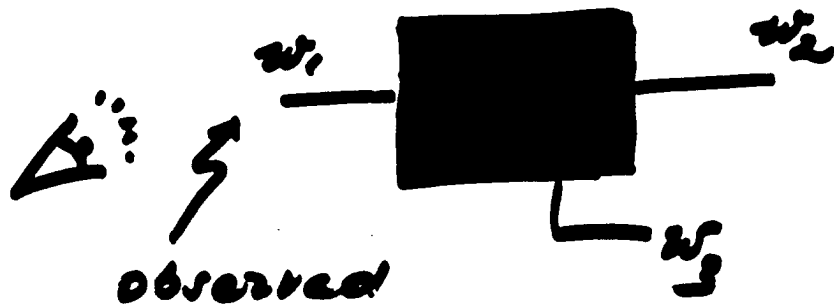
for $\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{C}$

Generalized in many directions:

- delay-differential systems
- PDE's
- time-varying systems
- nonlinear systems 'flat'

very active area of research

$$\Sigma = (\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{W}_1 \times \mathcal{W}_2, \mathcal{B})$$



Def. : w_2 is observable from w_1

if

$$(w_1, w_2') \in \mathcal{B}$$

$$(w_1, w_2'') \in \mathcal{B}$$

$$\Rightarrow w_2' = w_2''$$

Rem: 1. $\exists F: \mathcal{W}_1^{\mathcal{R}} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}_2^{\mathcal{R}}$
 $(w_1, Fw_1) \in \mathcal{B}$
 $\forall w_1 \in \mathcal{B}, \dots$



2. Classical defn. : $w_2 = x$

3. Special interest : $\mathcal{W}_1 = \mathcal{W}$, $\mathcal{W}_2 = \mathcal{L}$
 manifest \rightarrow latent

$$R_1\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)w_1 = R_2\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)w_2$$

w_2 observable from w_1 ?

Test :

$$\text{rank}(R_2(\lambda)) = \dim(w_2)$$

$$\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{C}$$

Representation :

$$R_1'\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)w_1 = 0$$

$$w_2 = R_2'\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)w_1$$

Generalization :

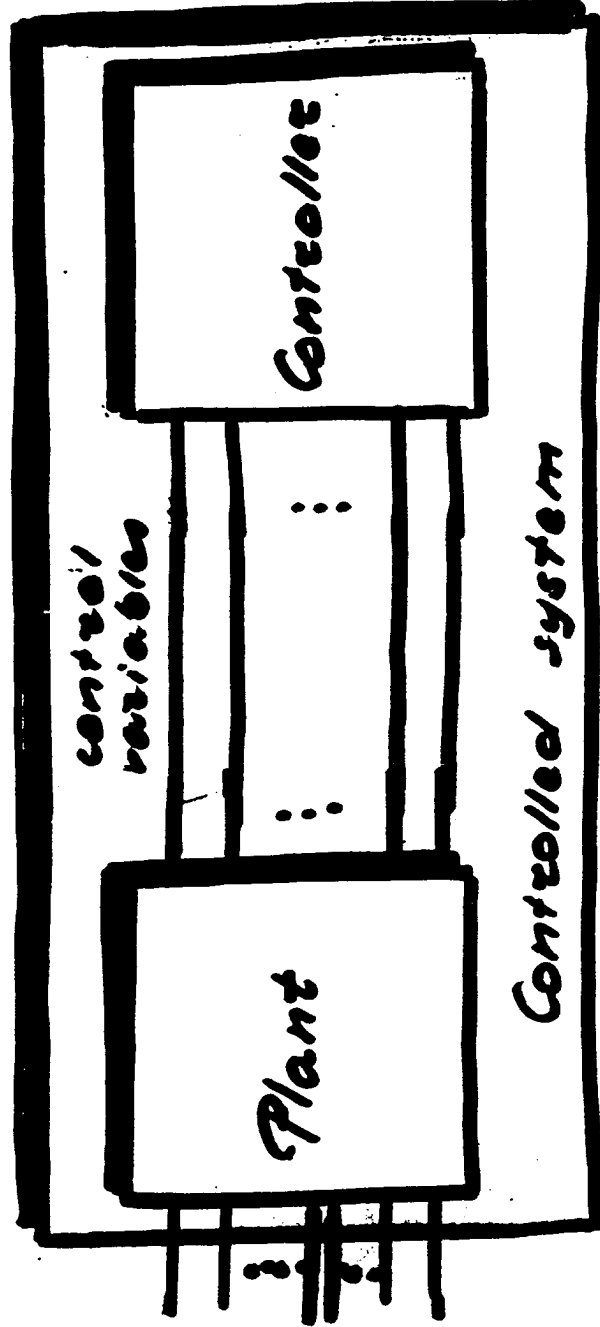
non-D systems

PDE's

nonlinear systems ...

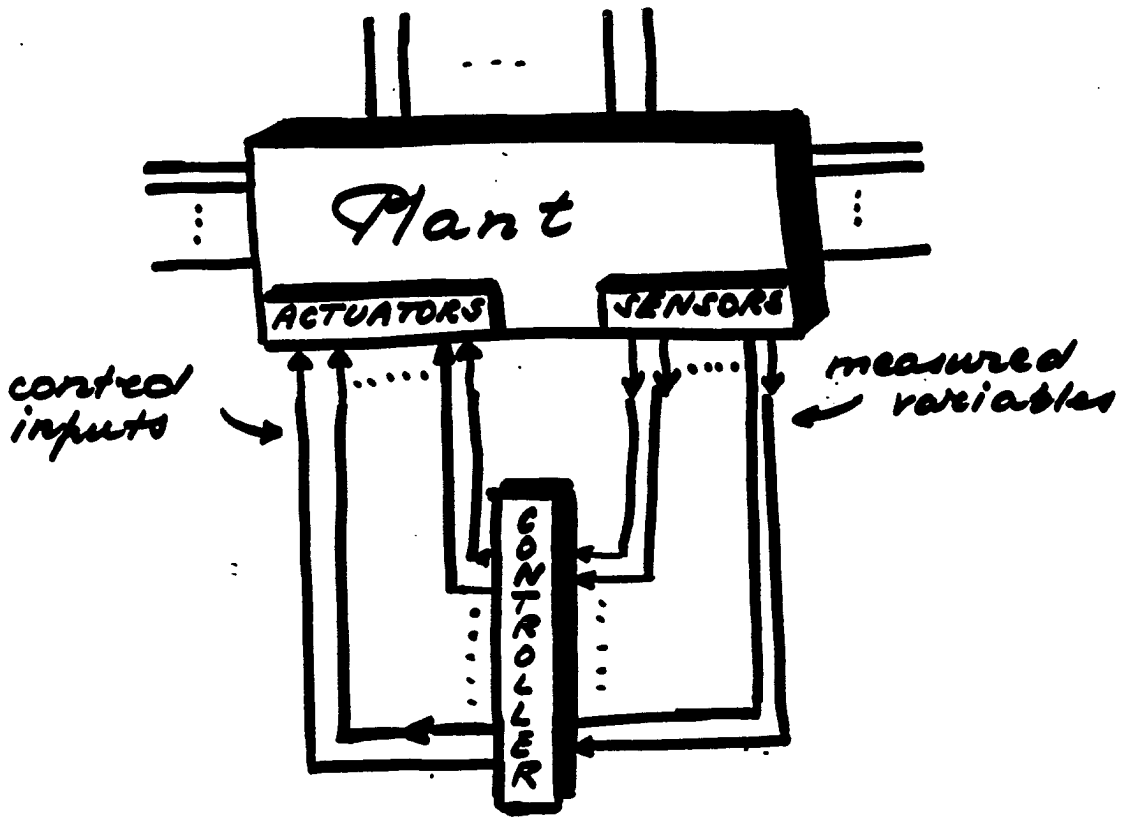
Control
as
Interconnection

Control



Given plant, design controller such that controlled system meets certain specifications

Special case :



"Intelligent" control

Control = designing a subsystem

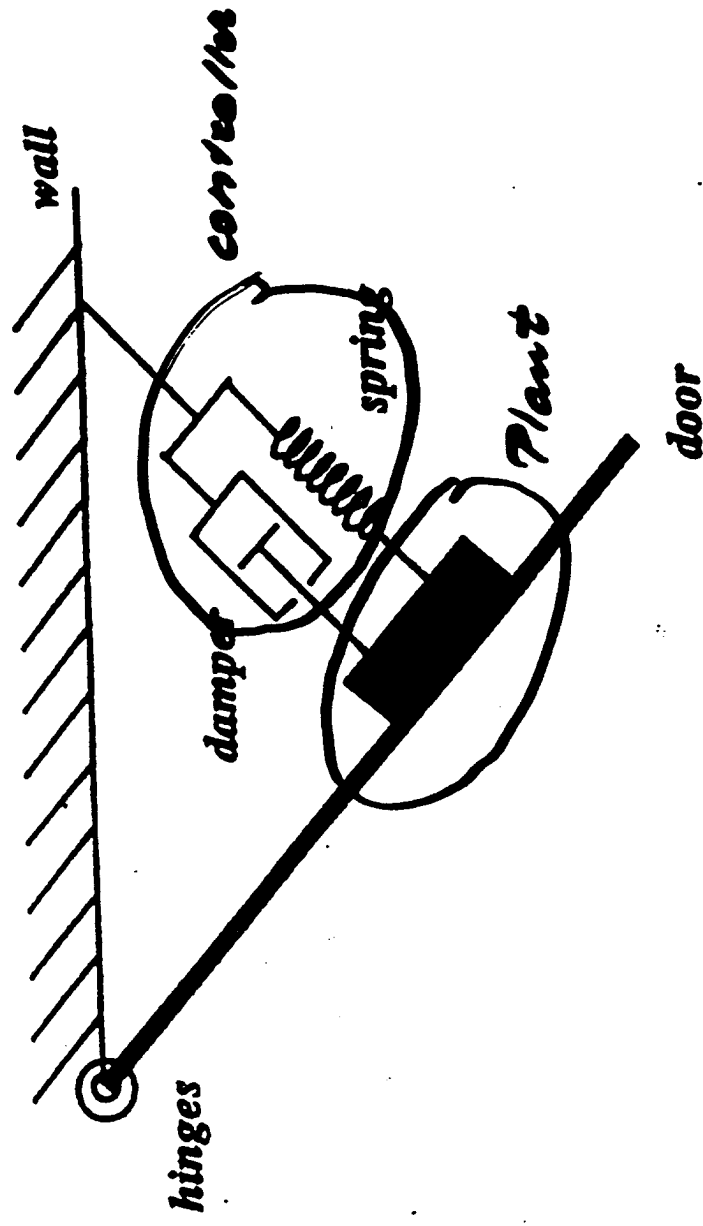
= adding new laws to system variables

System = a family of trajectories

Control = selecting a suitable subfamily

- class of admissible controller
- objectives, optimality
- specification of controlled traj.
- implementation

Motivational
Examples



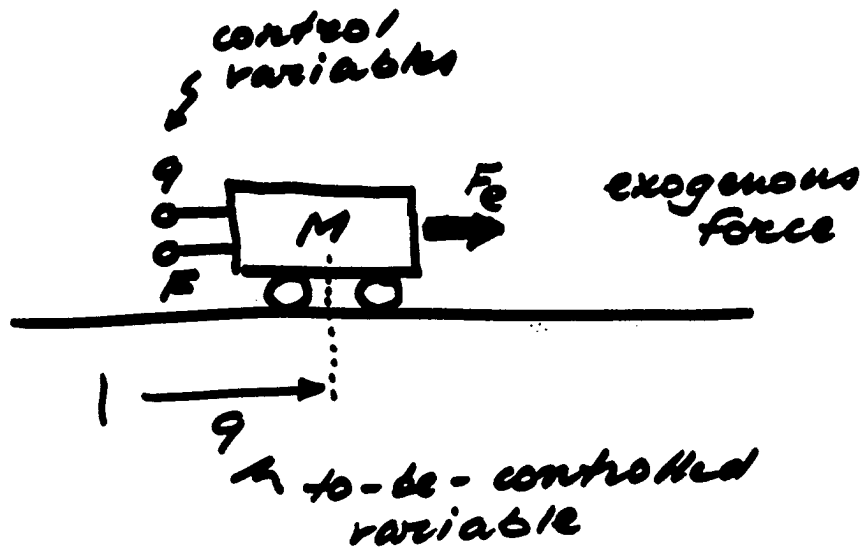
A door-closing mechanism

Other similar examples: shock absorbers in cars

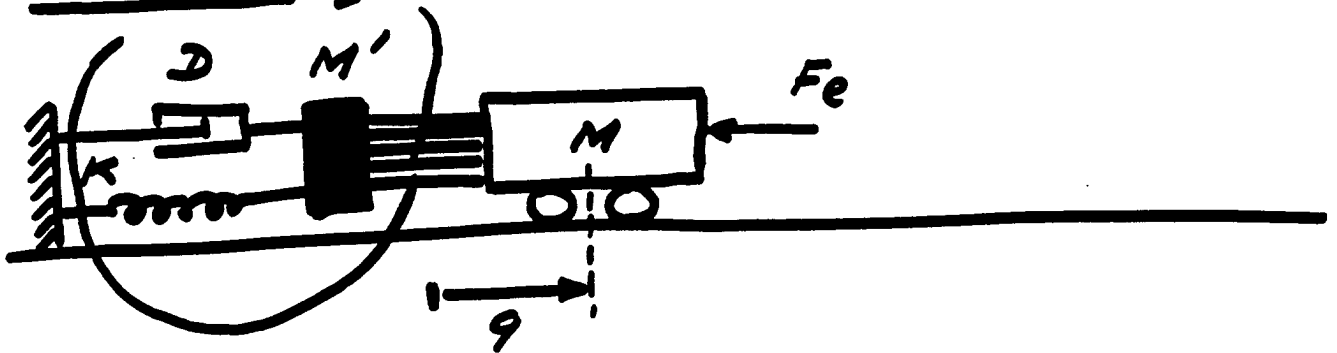
SIMPLE EXAMPLE

Hold a mass at a particular position

Plant:



Controller:



K, D, M' : to-be-designed

- fast settling time

- small overshoot

- low steady state gain $F_e \rightarrow q$

Want :

$$M \frac{d^2}{dt^2} q = \bar{F} + F$$

Control law:

$$F = -M' \frac{d^2}{dt^2} q - D \frac{d}{dt} q - Kq$$

Controlled system:

$$(M + M') \frac{d^2}{dt^2} q + D \frac{d}{dt} q + Kq = \bar{F}$$

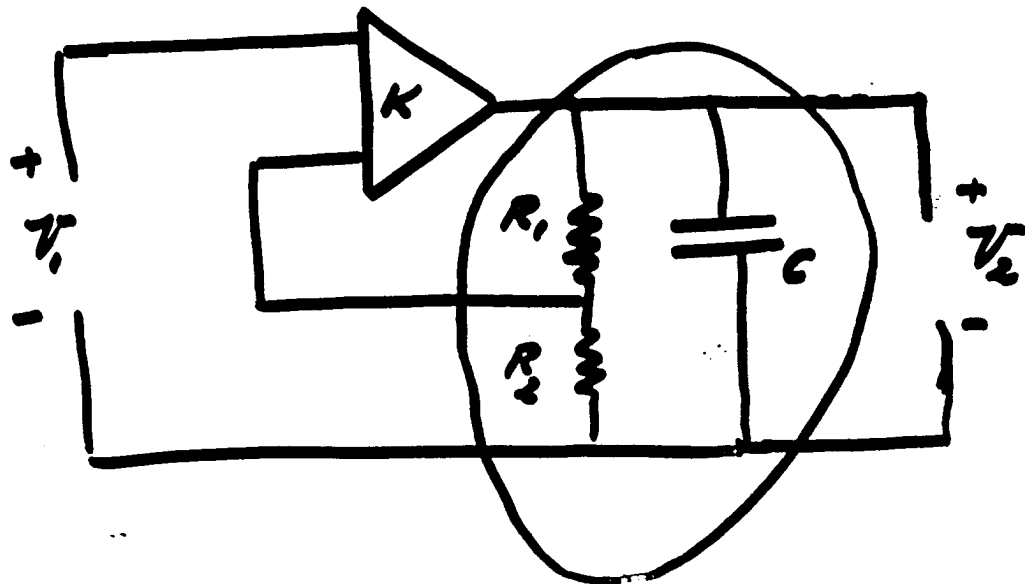
... design M', D, F

Practical example:

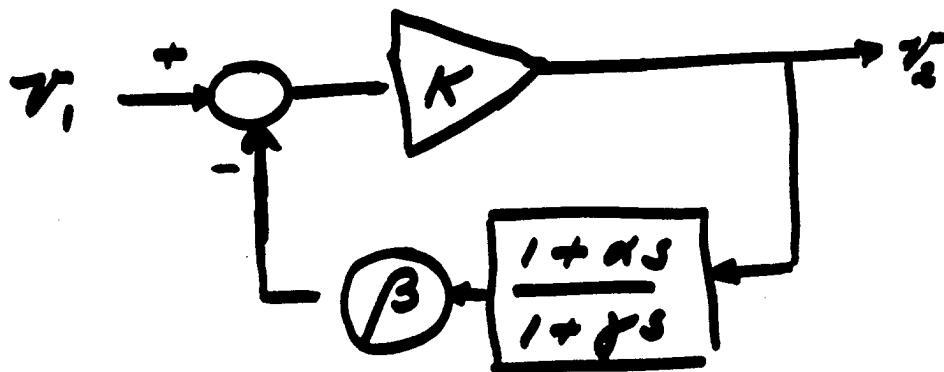
car damper

Operational amplifier

Black, Nyquist, Bode



↑
controller for
robustness
loop-shaping



$$\frac{K}{1+\beta K} = \frac{1}{\beta + \frac{1}{K}} \approx \frac{1}{\beta}$$

insensitive to K ! ... stability

limits
bandwidth

stability

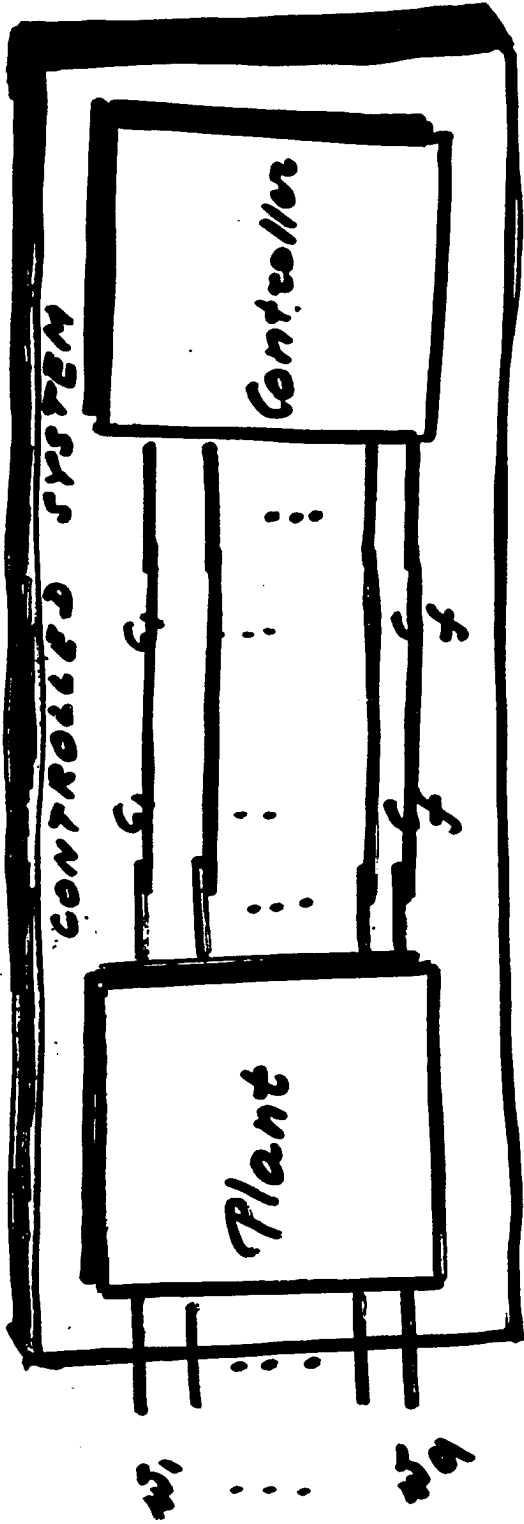
Implementability

of a
controlled
behavior



Linear
time - invariant
case

CON. SYSTEMS



relevant behaviors: $\mathcal{P}, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{Y}$

assume all of them: LTI differential systems

P_{full}

behavior of variables
(w, c) before control

P

behavior of variables
 w before control

C

behavior of variables
 c as imposed by
controlled

K

behavior of variables
 w after control

π

behavior of variables
 w compatible with $c=1$

$$E \in \mathcal{L}^{9+f}$$

$$= \{ (w, c) \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^{9+f}) \mid \text{laws of plant} \checkmark \}$$

$$E \in \mathcal{L}^9$$

$$= \{ w \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^9) \mid \exists c \dots \}$$

$$E \in \mathcal{L}^f$$

$$= \{ c \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^f) \mid \text{laws of controller} \checkmark \}$$

$$E \in \mathcal{L}^9$$

$$= \{ w \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^9) \mid \exists c \in C, \exists (w, c) \in \mathcal{P}_{full} \}$$

$$E \in \mathcal{L}^9$$

$$= \{ w \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}^9) \mid (w, 0) \in \mathcal{P}_{full} \}$$

Obviously:

$$\mathcal{K} \subset \mathcal{X} \subset \mathcal{P}$$

$$\pi = \{ w \mid (w, 0) \in \mathcal{D}_{\text{full}} \}$$

$\pi =$ 'hidden' behavior



on π controller is bound
to be inactive:

no information is
obtained on what is
happening in the
plant

Def: We say that

C implements \mathcal{K}

if $\mathcal{K} = \{w \mid \exists c \in C \text{ such that } (w, c) \in \mathcal{P}_{full}\}$

Which $\mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{L}^q$ can
be implemented?

? to what extent can
the system behavior
be modified by
controller?

Basic Lemma:

hidden behavior
plant behavior

Given $\pi, \mathcal{P} \in \mathcal{L}^{\mathcal{Q}}$; $\pi \subset \mathcal{P}$

$\mathcal{K} \in \mathcal{L}^{\mathcal{Q}}$ is implementable

if and only if

$\pi \subset \mathcal{K} \subset \mathcal{P}$

Full information

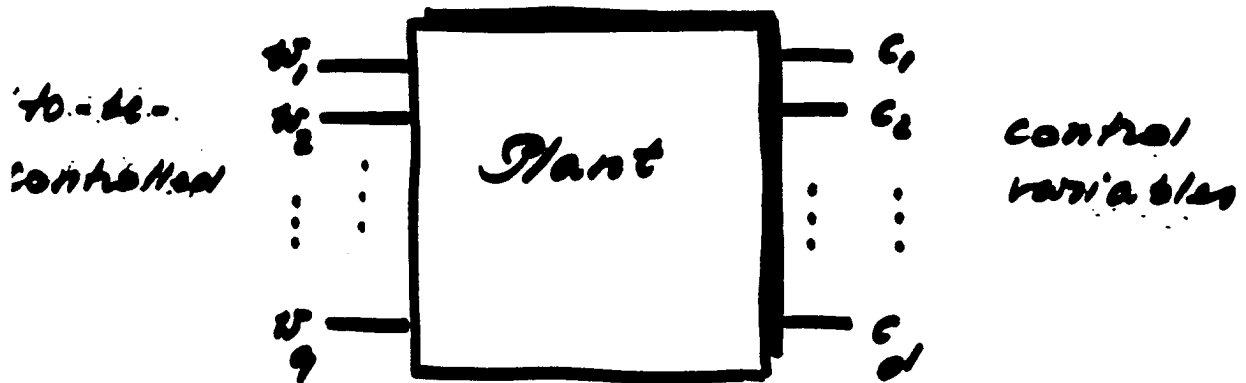
$\pi \in \{0\}$

$\Leftrightarrow w$ observable from c

In full information case,
every subbehavior is
implementable

more restrictive notion of
implementability

\Rightarrow more realistic
results



$$R\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)w = C\left(\frac{d}{dt}\right)c$$

If \$w\$ variables are controllable
 & \$w\$ variables are observable
 from \$c\$ variables
 regular
 then there exists a controller
 such that controlled system
 is stable

This framework has been applied to

- Stabilization

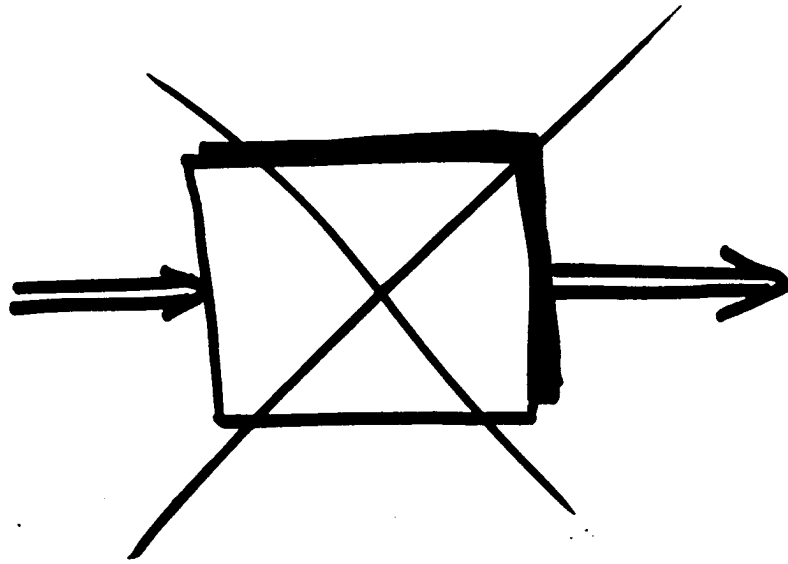
- Pole placement with memoryless feedback

$n < m \Rightarrow$ generic pole placement

- \mathcal{H}_∞ - control

- \mathcal{H}_2 - control

Main idea:



*A physical system
is not a
signal processor*

Conclusions

- The behavioral approach gives a very cogent framework for discussing math. models of dynamical systems
- convincing treatment of controllability observability (stability) (dissipative systems)
- has been applied to a number of synthesis problems:
 - controllers
 - observers
 - (system identification)
- Generalizable to PDE's, non-linear systems (stochastics?)

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**RECENT PROGRESS
IN
FEEDBACK PASSIVATION DESIGNS**

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ACTIVATION OF CONCEPTS

Over the last ten years several **descriptive** concepts have been **activated** into constructive **design tools** such as

- Lyapunov functions \rightarrow Control Lyapunov functions (CLF)
- Total stability \rightarrow Input/state stability (ISS)
- Passivity \rightarrow Passivation
- Optimality \rightarrow Inverse optimality

leading to **design procedures** like

- Cascade passivation
- Backstepping: robust, adaptive, stochastic
- Forwarding
- Passivation using LMI's

FOUNDATIONS:

absolute stability: Lurie (1951),

passivity: Popov (1960),

PR Lemma: Yakubovich (1962), Kalman (1963),

passivity and small gain: Zames (1966),

inverse optimality: Kalman (1964), Moylan
and Anderson (1973),

dissipative systems: Willems (1972), Hill and
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DESIGN TOOLS AND PROCEDURES:

Lyapunov design: Meilakhs (1976,1978),
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forwarding: Teel (1992), Mazenc and Praly (1996), Janković, Sepulchre and PK (1996).

In this lecture

- **Locally optimal backstepping design**
Ezal, Pan and PK (1997)
- **Passivation redesign**
Arcak, Seron, Braslavsky and PK (1998)
- **Observer-based feedback passivation**
Larsen and PK (1999)
- **Passive observer design**
Arcak and PK (1999)
- **Example: Ship steering**
Arcak, Fossen and PK (1999)

CLF Construction

Backstepping Lemma If $V(X)$ is a CLF for

$$\dot{X} = F(X) + G(X)u$$

and

$$L_{(F+G\alpha)}V = L_FV(X) + L_GV(X)\alpha(X) \leq -\sigma(X)$$

then,

$$V_+(X, x) = V(X) + (x - \alpha(X))^2$$

is a CLF for

$$\dot{X} = F(X) + G(X)x$$

$$\dot{x} = f(X, x) + g(X, x)u \quad g(X, x) \neq 0.$$

Example

$$\dot{X} = X^3 + x$$

$$\dot{x} = u.$$

$$V(X) = X^2, \quad \alpha(X) = -X^3 - X$$

$$V_+(X, x) = X^2 + (x + X + X^3)^2.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\dot{X}_0 &= F_0(X_0) + G_0(X_0)x_1 \\
\dot{x}_1 &= f_1(X, x_1) + g_1(X, x_1)x_2 \\
\dot{x}_2 &= f_2(X, x_1, x_2) + g_2(X, x_1, x_2)x_3 \quad (\text{SF}) \\
&\vdots = \vdots \\
\dot{x}_n &= f_n(X, x) + g_n(X, x)u.
\end{aligned}$$

$$g_i(X, \dots, x_i) \neq 0$$

$$L_{(F_0+G_0\alpha_0)}V_0(X_0) \leq -\sigma_0(X_0)$$

Step 1. Set $X = X_0$, $x = x_1$, $V(X) = V_0(X_0)$, apply backstepping lemma: $V_+ =: V_1(X, x_1)$.

Step i. ($i = 2, \dots, n$)

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} X_0 \\ \vdots \\ x_{i-1} \end{bmatrix}, x = x_i \rightarrow V_+ =: V_i(X, x_1, \dots, x_i).$$

$$\text{Step } n \rightarrow \boxed{V_n(X, x_1, \dots, x_n)}$$

Locally Optimal Backstepping Design

K. Ezal et al. - CDC 97 Best Student Paper

$$\dot{x} = Ax + f(x) + G_1(x)w + G_2(x)u \quad (\text{strict-feedback class})$$

Robust backstepping:

$$\begin{aligned} V_i &:= V_{i-1} + \delta_i z_i^2 & \frac{\partial \alpha_i}{\partial x_j}(0) &= \alpha_{ij} \\ z_{i+1} &:= x_{i+1} - \alpha_i(x_1, \dots, x_i) \end{aligned}$$

Globally Inverse Optimal: $u = -r^{-1}(x)\delta_n z_n$

$$J = \int_0^\infty [q(x) + r(x)u^2 - \gamma^2 w'w] dt$$

$r(x), q(x)$ - a posteriori constructed!

Desire Local \mathcal{H}_∞ -Optimality: $\dot{x} = Ax + B_1 w + B_2 u$

Requires $r(0) = R, \quad q_{xx}(0) = Q, \quad B_i = G_i(0)$

$R > 0, Q = Q' > 0$ - a priori specified

Solution: Cholesky factorization

$$PA + A'P + P(\gamma^{-2}B_1B_1' - B_2R^{-1}B_2')P + Q = 0$$

$$P = L' \begin{bmatrix} \delta_1 & & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & \\ 0 & & & \delta_n \end{bmatrix} L, \quad L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ -\alpha_{11} & 1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ -\alpha_{n-1,1} & \cdots & -\alpha_{n-1,n-1} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Result: Locally \mathcal{H}_∞ -optimal, globally inverse optimal

Stability region of an H_∞ design

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_1^2 + x_2 + w$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = u$$

Linearized system:

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_2 + w$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = u$$

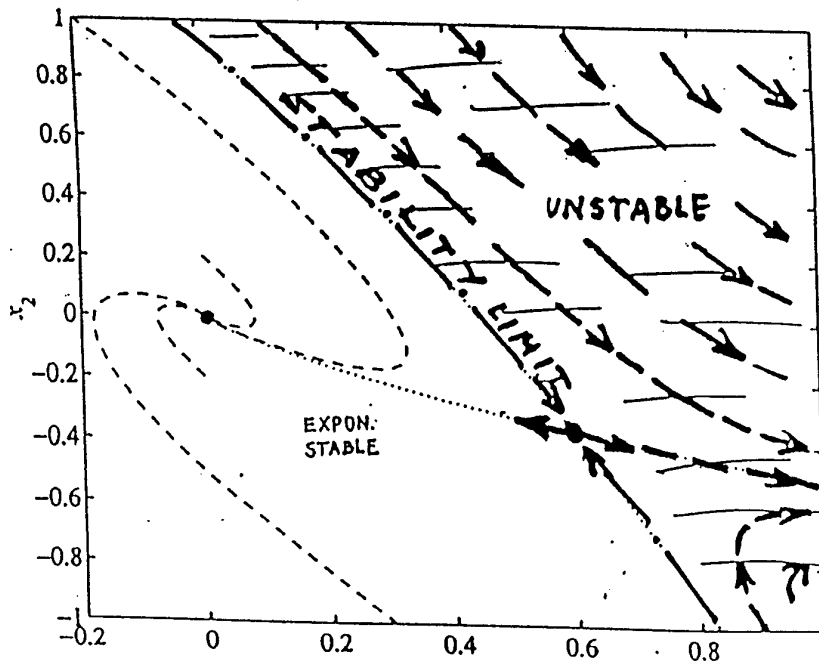
Cost functional:

$$J = \int_0^\infty [x_1^2 + x_2^2 + u^2 - \gamma^2 w^2] dt$$

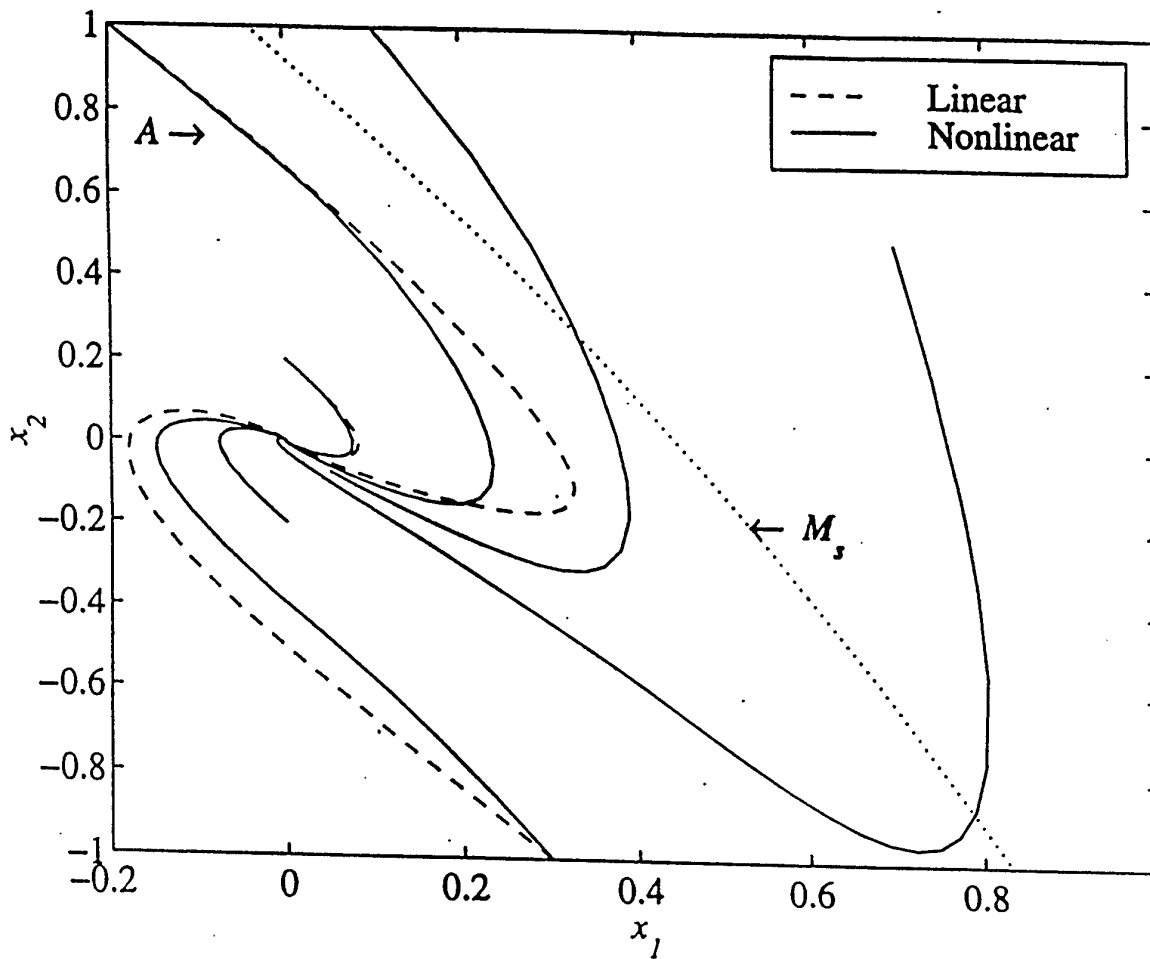
Desired attenuation: $\gamma = 5 > \gamma^* = 1.27$

Optimal linear control:

$$u = -B'Px = -1.06x_1 - 1.78x_2$$

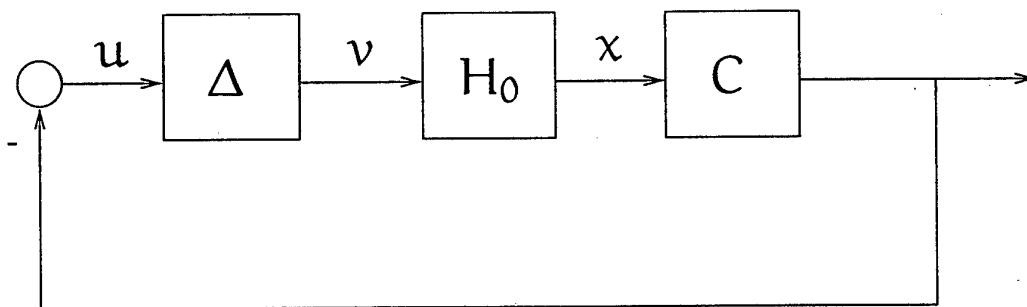


Global Asymptotic Stability of Nonlinear Locally Optimal Design ($w \equiv 0$)



Passivation Redesign

Arcak, Seron, Braslavsky and PK (1998)



H_0 Nominal plant

$$\dot{\chi} = \Phi(\chi) + \Gamma(\chi)v$$

Δ Input unmodeled dynamics

$$\dot{\xi} = f_{\Delta}(\xi, u)$$

$$v = h_{\Delta}(\xi, u).$$

Δ is 0-GAS and \exists pos.def. $\Pi(\xi)$:

$$\dot{\Pi}(\xi) \leq -\lambda u^2 + vu, \quad \lambda > 0 \text{ (excess of passivity).}$$

This includes stable linear $\Delta(s)$ with

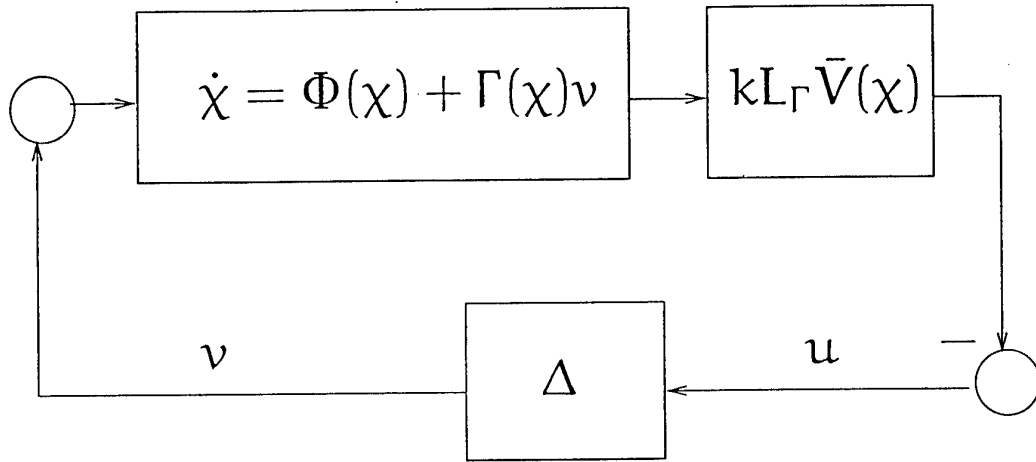
$$\operatorname{Re}\{\Delta(j\omega)\} \geq \lambda.$$

Find pos.def. $\bar{V}(\chi)$ such that

$$\boxed{L_{\Phi} \bar{V}(\chi) < (L_{\Gamma} \bar{V}(\chi))^2 \quad \forall \chi \neq 0.}$$

Then, $\boxed{u = -kL_{\Gamma} \bar{V}(\chi) \quad k \geq \frac{1}{\lambda}} \Rightarrow \text{GAS.}$

Proof: Shortage vs. excess of passivity



Shortage of passivity $1/k$:

$$k\dot{\bar{V}} = kL_{\Phi} \bar{V} + kL_{\Gamma} \bar{V} v < \underbrace{k(L_{\Gamma} \bar{V})^2}_{u^2/k} + \underbrace{kL_{\Gamma} \bar{V} v}_{-uv}$$

Excess of passivity λ : $\dot{\Pi} \leq -\lambda u^2 + vu$

$$U(\chi, \xi) = k\bar{V}(\chi) + \Pi(\xi) \Rightarrow \dot{U} < 0 \quad \forall \chi \neq 0.$$

$\chi \equiv 0 \Rightarrow u \equiv 0 \Rightarrow \xi = 0$ is the largest invariant set by 0-GAS of Δ .

When does such $\bar{V}(\chi)$ exist?

Iff \exists CLF $V(\chi)$ such that

$$\limsup_{\chi \rightarrow 0} \frac{L_{\Phi} V(\chi)}{(L_{\Gamma} V(\chi))^2} < +\infty. \quad (\text{L})$$

Construction of $\bar{V}(\chi)$:

Find positive $\theta(\cdot)$ such that

- (i) $\frac{L_{\Phi} V(\chi)}{(L_{\Gamma} V(\chi))^2} < \theta(V(\chi)),$
- (ii) $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^t \theta(s) ds = +\infty.$

Then,
$$\boxed{\bar{V}(\chi) = \int_0^{V(\chi)} \theta(s) ds}$$

Lemma When H_0 is strict feedback (SF), our backstepping CLF $V_n(X, x_1, \dots, x_n)$ constructed from $V_0(X_0)$ with

$$L_{F_0 + G_0 \alpha_0} V_0(X_0) \leq -\sigma_0(X_0)$$

satisfies (L) if V_0 and σ_0 have pos.def. Hessians.

Passivation Redesign Example

$$\dot{X} = X^3 + x$$

$$\dot{x} = v$$

$$v = \frac{12(s+35)(s+20)}{7(s+40)(s+30)}u = \Delta(s)u.$$

Excess of passivity $\operatorname{Re}\{\Delta(j\omega)\} \geq \lambda = 1.$

$$V_0(X) = X^2, \quad \alpha_0(X) = -X - X^3, \quad \sigma_0(X) = 2X^2$$

$$V_1(X, x) = X^2 + (x + X + X^3)^2$$

$$\frac{L_{\Phi} V_1(X, x)}{(L_{\Gamma} V_1(X, x))^2} < \frac{3}{2} + \frac{9}{4} V_1^2(X, x)$$

Choose $\theta(V_1) = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{9}{4} V_1^2, \quad k = \frac{1}{\lambda} = 1,$

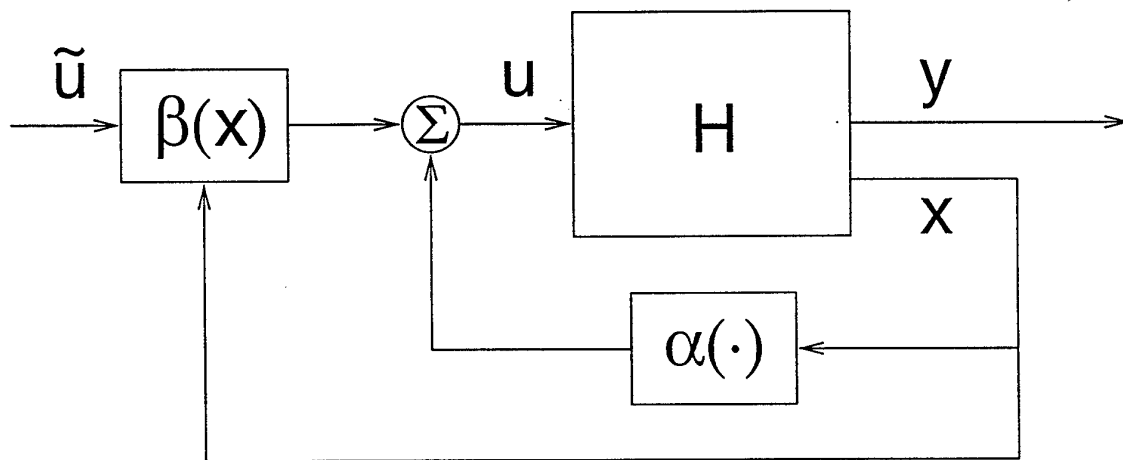
$$u = -kL_{\Gamma} \bar{V} = -\theta(V_1)L_{\Gamma} V_1 = -2\theta(V_1)(x + X + X^3).$$

Feedback Passivation (FPR) Design

In design we use state feedback

$$\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}) = \alpha(\mathbf{x}) + \beta(\mathbf{x})\tilde{\mathbf{u}}$$

to make H passive for the input-output pair $(\tilde{\mathbf{u}}, y)$:



This is possible if

- H is **relative degree one**:
 u appears in the \dot{y} -equation,
- H is (weakly) **minimum phase**:
the “**zero dynamics**” which remain when the output is kept at zero, $y(t) \equiv 0$, are **stable**.

Observer-based FPR Design

Larsen and PK (1999)

$$\dot{x} = f_0(x, 0) + g(x, y_2)y_1$$

$$\dot{\xi} = A\xi + Bu$$

$$y_1 = C_1\xi \quad y_2 = C_2\xi$$

- Design an asymptotically stable observer

$$\dot{\hat{\xi}} = A\hat{\xi} + Bu + L(y_2 - \hat{y}_2)$$

$$\hat{y}_2 = C_2\hat{\xi}$$

$$A_o^T M + M A_o = -I, \quad A_o := A + LC_2, \quad M > 0.$$

- Design a state feedback gain K to stabilize the linear part of the system with $A_k := A - BK$ Hurwitz and (A_k, B, C_1) passive by solving

$$A_k^T P + P A_k = -Q \leq 0 \quad P > 0$$

$$PB = C_1^T.$$

- Design a stabilizing u from the CLF

$$W(x, \xi, e) = V(x) + \frac{1}{2}\xi^T P \xi + \frac{1}{\mu} e^T M e.$$

Observer-based FPR design

With the feedback $u = -K\hat{\xi} + w$ and observer error $e = \xi - \hat{\xi}$ the system is

$$\dot{x} = f_0(x, 0) + g(x, y_2)y_1$$

$$\dot{\xi} = A_k\xi - BK e + Bw$$

$$\dot{e} = A_o e$$

$$\dot{W} = L_{f_0}V - \frac{1}{2}\xi^T Q\xi - \frac{1}{\mu}e^T e - \xi^T PBK e + \xi^T C_1^T (L_g V)^T + \xi^T P B w.$$

Choose $w = -(L_g V)^T - B^T P \hat{\xi}$ and let $N := B^T P - K$:

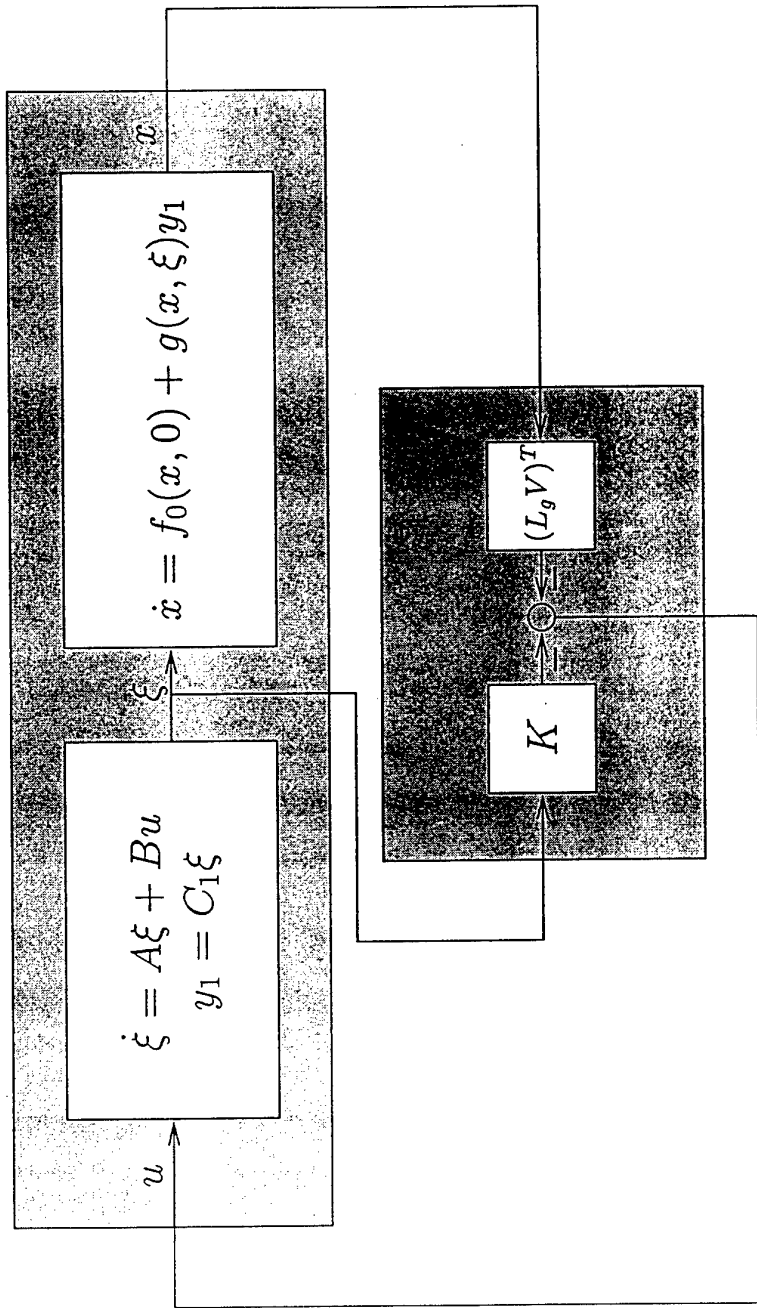
$$\begin{aligned} \dot{W} &= L_{f_0}V - \frac{1}{2}\xi^T Q\xi - \frac{1}{\mu}e^T e + \xi^T P B N e - \xi^T P B B^T P \xi \\ &= L_{f_0}V - \frac{1}{2}\xi^T Q\xi - (B^T P \xi - \frac{1}{2}N e)^T (B^T P \xi - \frac{1}{2}N e) - (\frac{1}{4}N^T N + \frac{1}{\mu}I)e^T e \\ &\leq -\xi^T Q\xi \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

GAS with

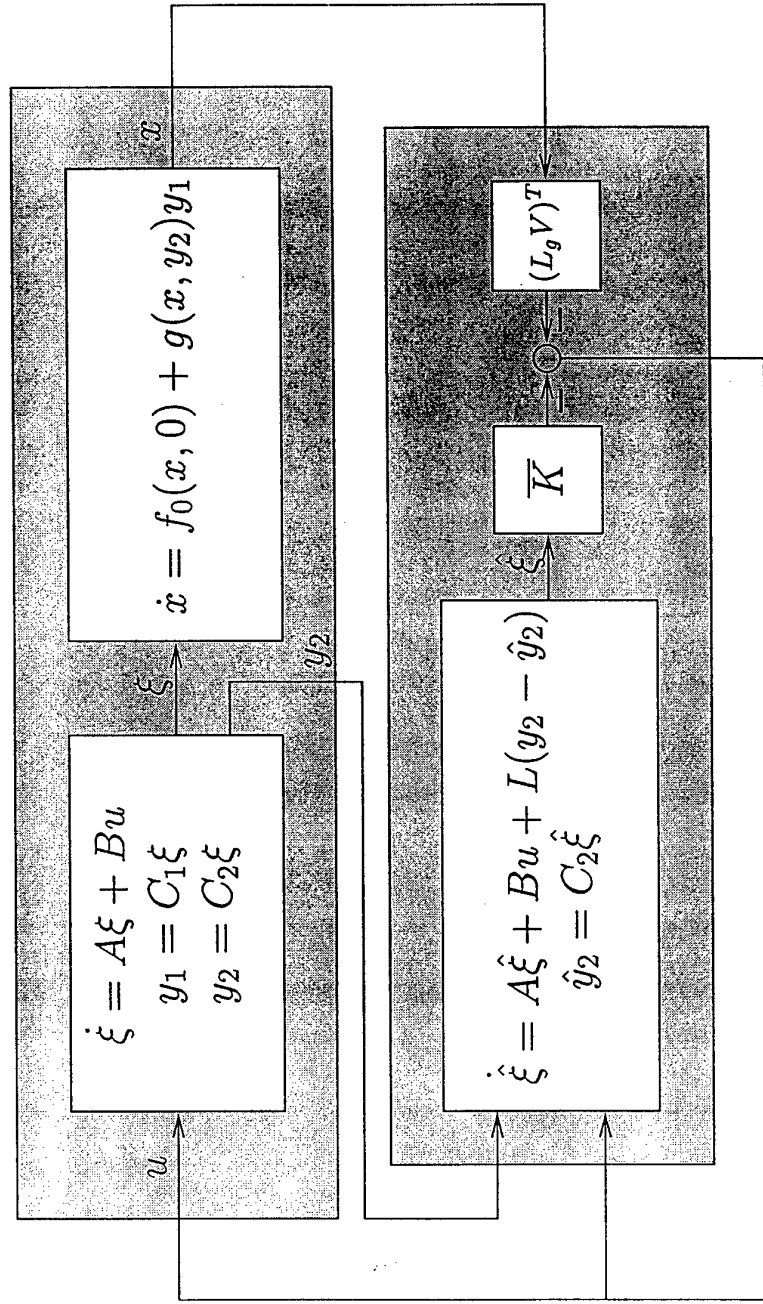
$$u = -\bar{K}\hat{\xi} - (L_g V)^T \quad \bar{K} = K + B^T P$$

follows from the LaSalle Invariance Principle using the detectability of (A_k, Q) .

State feedback FPR design



Observer feedback FPR design



Passive Observer Design

Arcak and PK (1999)

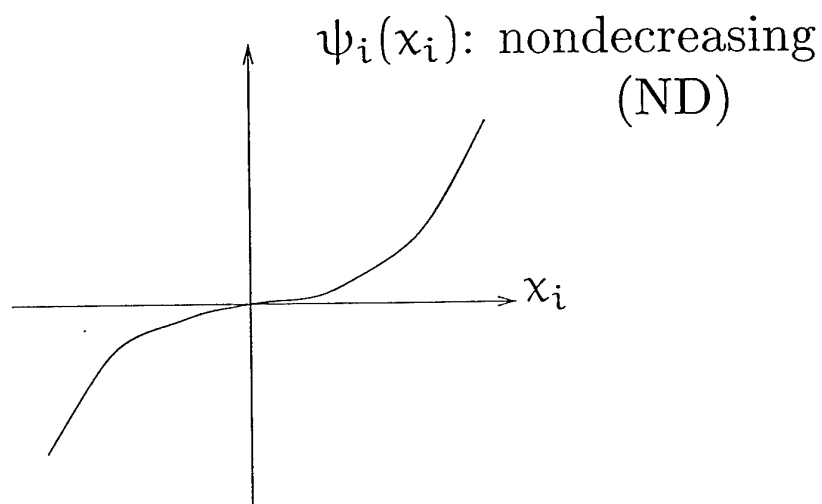
$$\dot{x} = Ax - \psi(x) + \gamma(y, u), \quad y = Cx,$$

Observer:

$$\dot{\hat{x}} = A\hat{x} - \psi(\hat{x}) + \gamma(y, u) + L(y - C\hat{x})$$

Observer gain matrix L to be designed for

$$\psi(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \psi_1(x_1) \\ \psi_2(x_2) \\ \vdots \\ \psi_n(x_n) \end{bmatrix}$$



$$(ND) \Rightarrow \sigma [\psi_i(x_i) - \psi_i(x_i - \sigma)] \geq 0 \quad (\text{sector})$$

Error dynamics:

$$\dot{e} = (A - LC)e - (\psi(x) - \psi(\hat{x}))$$

Indicator matrix K locates the nonlinearities:

$$K = \text{diag}(k_1, \dots, k_n)$$

$$k_i = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \psi_i(x_i) \equiv 0 \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Note: $PK = K$ does not imply $P = I$.

$$z := Ke$$

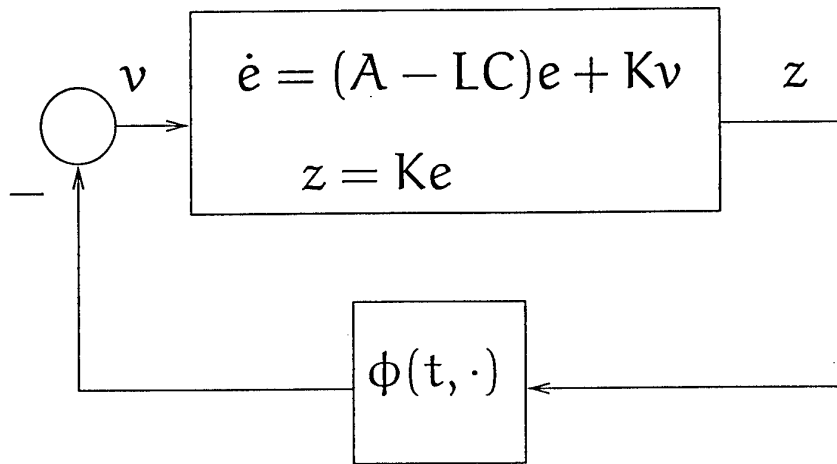
$$\phi(t, z) := \psi(x) - \psi(\hat{x})$$

$$z^T \phi(t, z) \geq 0 \quad (\text{sector})$$

$$\dot{e} = (A - LC)e - K\phi(t, z)$$

$$z = Ke.$$

Observer Design



Find $P = P^T > 0$ and L such that

$$(A - LC)^T P + P(A - LC) \leq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad PK = K. \quad (\text{PR})$$

Then, whenever $e(t)$ exists, it satisfies

$$|e(t)| \leq k|e(0)|.$$

Proof: PR and sector properties.

Control Law Design

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= Ax - \psi(x) + \gamma(y, u), \quad y = Cx, \\ \dot{\hat{x}} &= A\hat{x} - \psi(\hat{x}) + \gamma(y, u) + L(y - C\hat{x}).\end{aligned}\tag{CL}$$

Find $u = \alpha(y, \hat{x})$ to guarantee

$$|x(t)| \leq \max \left\{ \beta(|x(0)|, t), \theta \left(\sup_{\tau \in [0, t]} |e(\tau)| \right) \right\}. \tag{ISS}$$

Main Result

If (PR) and (ISS) are satisfied, then (CL) is GS.

If, in addition, $(K, A - LC)$ is detectable and, ψ_i 's are either strictly increasing or identically zero, then (CL) is GAS.

Proof:

(PR) implies $|e(t)| \leq k|e(0)|$ and, with (ISS), proves GS. From (PR) and Barbalat's lemma

$$z(t) = Ke(t) \rightarrow 0.$$

(CL) is autonomous and $z \equiv 0$ dynamics are $\dot{e} = (A - LC)e$. Detectability implies $e(t) \rightarrow 0$ and GAS follows from ISS.

Feasibility

(PR) is an LMI in $L^T P$ and $P = P^T > 0$:

$$\begin{bmatrix} (A - LC)^T P + P(A - LC) & PK - K \\ KP - K & 0 \end{bmatrix} \leq 0.$$

Feasibility depends on K , the location of $\psi_i(x_i)$.

Example $y = x_1$

$$\dot{x}_1 = x_2$$

$$\dot{x}_2 = -\psi_2(x_2) + \gamma(y) + u.$$

$$\psi_1(x_1) \equiv 0 \rightarrow K = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(PR) satisfied with $P = I$, $L = [1 \ 1]$.

Evaluate \dot{V} for $V = \frac{1}{2}e_1^2 + \frac{1}{2}e_2^2$ along

$$\dot{e}_1 = -e_1 + e_2$$

$$\dot{e}_2 = -e_1 - (\psi_2(x_2) - \psi_2(\hat{x}_2)).$$

$$\dot{V} = -e_1^2 - e_2(\psi_2(x_2) - \psi_2(x_2 - e_2)) \leq -e_1^2.$$

Example: Ship Steering

Arcak, Fossen and PK (1999)

$$\dot{\eta} = J(\eta)v$$

$$M\dot{v} = -D(v)v - g(\eta) + \tau.$$

$$D(v)v = D_0v + \begin{bmatrix} \delta_1(v_1) \\ \vdots \\ \delta_6(v_6) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$D_0 = D_0^T \geq 0, \quad \delta_i(\cdot)\text{'s are ND.}$$

Observer:

$$\dot{\hat{\eta}} = J(\eta)\hat{v} + (\eta - \hat{\eta}),$$

$$M\dot{\hat{v}} = -D(\hat{v})\hat{v} - g(\eta) + \tau + J^T(\eta)(\eta - \hat{\eta})$$

$$V(\tilde{\eta}, \tilde{v}) = \frac{1}{2}\tilde{\eta}^T\tilde{\eta} + \frac{1}{2}\tilde{v}^T M\tilde{v},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{V} &= -\frac{1}{2}\tilde{\eta}^T\tilde{\eta} - \frac{1}{2}\tilde{v}^T D_0\tilde{v} - \tilde{v}^T [\delta(v) - \delta(v - \tilde{v})] \\ &\leq -\frac{1}{2}\tilde{\eta}^T\tilde{\eta} - \frac{1}{2}\tilde{v}^T D_0\tilde{v}. \end{aligned}$$

Observer Based Control Design

$$\begin{aligned}y &= x_1 \\ \dot{x}_1 &= x_2 + x_1^2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= x_3 - x_2(1 + x_2^2) + u \\ \dot{x}_3 &= 2u.\end{aligned}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad C = [1 \ 0 \ 0]$$

$$\psi(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ x_2^3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \gamma(y, u) = \begin{bmatrix} y^2 \\ u \\ 2u \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow K = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(PR) satisfied with $L = [3 \ 3 \ 1]^T$.

ISS Control Law Design by Backstepping:

$$\begin{aligned}y &= x_1 \\ \dot{x}_1 &= x_2 + x_1^2 \\ \dot{x}_2 &= x_3 - x_2(1 + x_2^2) + u \\ \dot{x}_3 &= 2u.\end{aligned}$$

Relative degree two + ISS zero dynamics

→ two steps of observer backstepping:

Step 1. $\dot{x}_1 = x_2 + x_1^2$

$$\alpha_1(x_1) = -x_1^2 - x_1 - n_1 x_1, \quad n_1 > 0.$$

$$\dot{x}_1 = -x_1 - n_1 x_1 + e_2 + (\hat{x}_2 - \alpha_1)$$

Step 2. $z_2 := \hat{x}_2 - \alpha_1(x_1) = x_2 - \alpha_1(x_1) + e_2$

$$\dot{z}_2 = u + q(x_1, \hat{x}) - \frac{\partial \alpha_1}{\partial x_1} e_2$$

$$u = \alpha_2(x_1, \hat{x}) = -q(x_1, \hat{x}) - x_1 - z_2 - n_2 \left(\frac{\partial \alpha_1}{\partial x_1} \right)^2 z_2$$

Proof of ISS:

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_1 &= -x_1 - n_1 x_1 + z_2 + e_2 \\ \dot{z}_2 &= -x_1 - z_2 - n_2 \left(\frac{\partial \alpha_1}{\partial x_1} \right)^2 z_2 - \frac{\partial \alpha_1}{\partial x_1} e_2\end{aligned}$$

ISS Lyapunov function: $V(x_1, z_2) = x_1^2 + z_2^2$

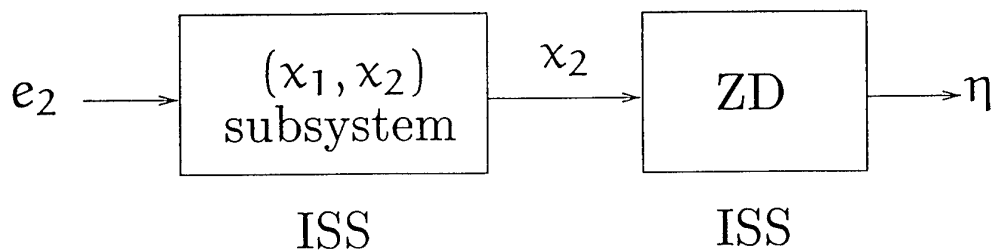
→ (x_1, x_2) subsystem is ISS with input e_2 .

ISS of zero dynamics:

$$\eta := x_3 - 2x_2$$

$$\dot{\eta} = -2\eta - 2x_2 + 2x_2^3 \quad (\text{ZD})$$

Cascade of ISS systems is ISS:



Splines and Optimal Control

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The theory of splines has been a useful mathematical technology in such areas as approximation theory, numerical analysis and, more recently, in computer-aided geometric design.

- A spline function (curve) interpolates a set of points in space, has the same expression between those points and is required to be as smooth as possible.
- Spline functions are widely used for practical approximation of functions or more commonly for fitting smooth curves through preassigned points.
- Spline techniques have the advantage over most approximation and interpolation techniques in that they are computationally feasible.
- Polynomial splines, in particular cubic splines, are the most well known.

In recent years there have been significant efforts to combine ideas of splines and control theory

- The tracking problem in which certain dynamic variables of a control system are forced to follow a desired path, is a major problem in theory and practice.
- Another way of attacking the problem is to specify the trajectory in terms of a discrete, ordered set of points through which the dynamic variables must pass. It is natural to impose smoothness constraints on the trajectories. The objective then becomes to determine suitable controls which give rise to such trajectories. This has been called the dynamic interpolation problem.

(Crouch, Jackson - 1990).

The relationship with optimal control arises when one also requires minimizing natural costs associated with the controls.

Motivations and Applications:

- Air traffic control
- Path-planning for mobile robots
(car-like autonomous vehicles which navigate over planar surfaces)
- Path-planning for autonomous vehicles which navigate in $3D$
(robotic air and ocean vehicles).
- Spherical motions.

Difficulties:

- Configuration spaces for mechanical systems are usually non-Euclidean
- Rotation group $SO(3)$
- Groups of Euclidean motions $SE(2)/SE(3)$
- $SUP(n)$
- Equations describing motion might be highly nonlinear.
- Nonholonomic constraints (the number of actuated degrees of freedom is less than the dimension of the configuration space).

• Notations:

For a real-valued functions s , defined on the time interval $[0, T]$,

$$D^m s = s^{(m)} = \frac{d^m s}{dt^m}$$

$$s \in K^m[0, T] \iff \begin{cases} s \in C^{m-1}[0, T] \\ D^{m-1}s \text{ absolutely continuous on } [0, T] \\ D^m s \in \mathcal{L}_2[0, T] \end{cases}$$

$\Delta : 0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_{n-1} < t_n = T$ a partition of the interval $[0, T]$

$L \equiv D^m + b_m D^{m-1} + \dots + b_2 D + b_1$ a linear differential operator

$L^* \equiv (-1)^m D^m + (-1)^{m-1} b_m D^{m-1} + \dots - b_2 D + b_1$ the adjoint of L

Generalized splines in Euclidean Space

A real function s is a generalized spline for the partition Δ of the time interval

$[0, T]$, if the following holds simultaneously:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} s &\in K^{2m}[t_{k-1}, t_k], \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, n-1; \\ s &\in C^{2m-2}[0, T]; \end{aligned} \right\} \iff \text{smoothness conditions}$$

$L^*Ls(t) = 0$, on each subinterval

$$D^i s(0) = \beta_{i,0}, \quad D^i s(T) = \beta_{i,n}, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, m-1 \} \iff \text{boundary conditions}$$

$$s(t_k) = \alpha_k, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, n-1 \} \iff \text{interpolation conditions}$$

$(\alpha_k, \beta_{i,0}, \beta_{i,n}, \forall i, k)$, are given real constants)

Theorem [*Ahlberg Nilson and Walsh, 1967*]

Given the differential operator L and the partition Δ of the time interval $[0, T]$, there exists a unique generalized spline, for each set of boundary and interpolation conditions.

This generalized spline also minimizes the functional

$$J(f) = \int_0^T (Lf(t))^2 dt,$$

among all functions belonging to $K^m[0, T]$ and satisfying the same boundary and interpolation conditions.

To find this unique spline it is enough to determine $2mn$ unknowns, corresponding to $2m$ arbitrary constants in the general solution of the differential equation $L^* Ls(t) = 0$, for each subinterval of the partition Δ .

The required interpolation conditions provide $n - 1$ equations, the boundary conditions generate $2m$ equations, the smoothness requirements give rise to $(n - 1)(2m - 1)$ equations, leading to a total of $2mn$ linear algebraic equations in the $2mn$ unknowns.

Solving this system is all that one needs to determine the corresponding generalized spline.

An optimal control problem with interpolation conditions

Given: $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{distinct points } x_0, x_T \text{ in the state space;} \\ n - 1 \text{ real constants } \alpha_k, k = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1; \\ \text{a partition of the interval } [0, T], \Delta : 0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = T; \\ \mathcal{U} = \{u : u \in \mathcal{C}^{m-2}[0, T], \text{ and } u|_{[t_{k-1}, t_k]} \in \mathcal{C}^m[t_{k-1}, t_k]\}, \end{array} \right.$

$$\min_{u \in \mathcal{U}} J(u) = \int_0^T u^2(t) dt$$

subject to:

$$\dot{x}(t) = Ax(t) + bu(t) \quad (A, b) \text{ in controllability canonical form}$$

$$y(t) = [1 \ 0 \ \dots \ 0]x(t)$$

$$x(0) = x_0, \quad x(T) = x_T;$$

$$y(t_k) = \alpha_k, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1.$$

(Martin, Enqvist, Tomlinson, Zhang - 1995), (Rodrigues, Silva Leite, Simões - 1999)

● The output function corresponding to the previous optimal control problem is a generalized spline.

● All generalized splines may be obtained as optimal output functions.

● Splines and Optimal Control are manifestations of the same phenomena.

Examples of generalized splines - the bidimensional case

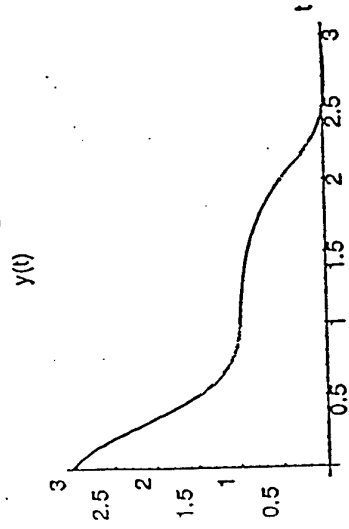
Time interval $[0, 3]$, partition $\Delta: t_0 = 0 < 1/2 < 1 < 2 < 9/4 < 3 = t_5$,

$$y(0) = 3, \quad y(1/2) = 3/2, \quad y(1) = 1,$$

Interpolation conditions:

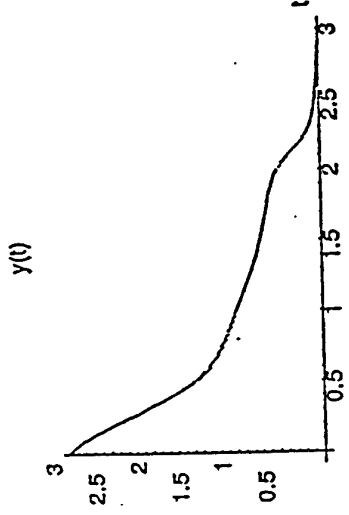
$$y(2) = 1/2, \quad y(9/4) = 1/6, \quad y(3) = 0$$

Boundary conditions: $\dot{y}(0) = -1, \dot{y}(3) = 0$.



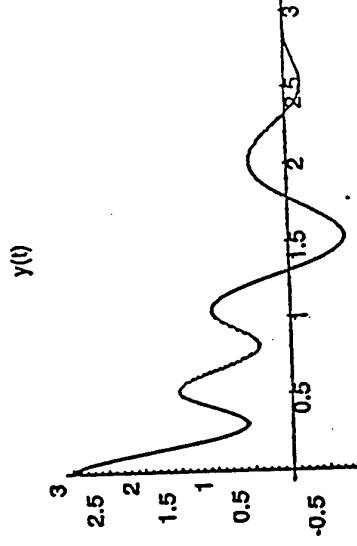
Cubic spline

$$\sigma(A) = \{0\}$$



Exponential spline

$$\sigma(A) = \{1, -10\}$$



Trigonometric spline

$$\sigma(A) = \{\pm 7i\}$$

• The optimal control problem with arbitrary output function is similarly related to another class of splines, the L-splines. This case allows uneven smoothness conditions at the interpolating points.

• m -dimensional splines ($s : [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$) are not well studied, but we expect the same kind of connection between them and the output function for MIMO optimal control problems with interpolation conditions.

• What about splines on non-Euclidean spaces? Can we relate nonlinear optimal control problems evolving on Lie groups or spheres, with splines on these non-Euclidean spaces?

- Cubic spline in \mathbb{R}^m - a variational approach

$$\min_{x \in \mathcal{C}^2[0, T]} J(x) = \int_0^T \left\langle \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2}, \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} \right\rangle dt$$

subject to:

$$x(0) = x_0, \quad x(T) = x_T, \quad \dot{x}(0) = v_0, \quad \dot{x}(T) = v_T, \quad (\text{boundary conditions})$$

$$x(t_k) = x_k, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, n-1. \quad (\text{interpolation conditions})$$

The Euler-Lagrange equation associated with this problem is

$$\frac{d^4 x}{dt^4} = 0, \quad \text{on each subinterval } [t_{k-1}, t_k].$$

and, indeed, the cubic spline minimizes the functional, among all the functions belonging to $\mathcal{C}^2[0, T]$ and satisfying the same boundary and interpolation conditions.

Splines on curved spaces - A variational approach

(Riemannian geometry is now the mathematical machinery)

M is a Riemannian manifold equipped with a Riemannian metric $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$.

$\frac{D}{dt}$ denotes covariant derivative along curves x on M .

- The cubic spline

$$\min_{x \in C^2[0, T]} J(x) = \int_0^T \left\langle \frac{DV}{dt}, \frac{DV}{dt} \right\rangle dt, \quad V = \dot{x},$$

subject to:

$$x(0) = x_0, \quad x(T) = x_T, \quad \dot{x}(0) = v_0, \quad \dot{x}(T) = v_T, \quad (\text{boundary conditions})$$

$$x(t_k) = x_k, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, n-1. \quad (\text{interpolation conditions})$$

The Euler-Lagrange equation associated with this problem is:

$$\frac{D^3V}{dt^3} + R\left(\frac{DV}{dt}, V\right)V = 0, \quad \text{on each subinterval } [t_{k-1}, t_k].$$

(R is the curvature tensor and measures how curved M is.)

(*Noakes, Heinzinger, Paden - 1989*), (*Crouch, Silva Leite - 1991/1995*), (*Camarinha, 1996*)

• Particular cases:

• M is a Lie group (For instance, the rotation group $SO(3)$)

$$\ddot{V} + [V, \ddot{V}] = 0, \quad \text{on each subinterval } [t_{k-1}, t_k].$$

• M is a symmetric space (For instance, a sphere)

$$\ddot{V} + [V, [\dot{V}, V]] = 0, \quad \text{on each subinterval } [t_{k-1}, t_k].$$

(*double-bracket equations*)

Difficulties:

- It remains an open problem to describe solutions of these double-brackett equations.
- Unlike the Euclidean case, solutions of the Euler-Lagrange equation do not necessarily minimize the functional J .
- Addition of constraints on velocities does not create additional difficulties, but may give rise to abnormal extremals.
- Other choices for the Lagrangian give rise to generalized splines on Riemannian manifolds.

(Camarinha, Silva Leite, Crouch - 1995, 1998), (Brunnett, Crouch, Silva Leite - 1996)

- Where are the connections with optimal control?
- It is possible to formulate a number of optimal control problems which are equivalent to the variational problems associated with non-Euclidean splines.

We give examples of optimal control problems for systems evolving on the Lie group $SO(3)$

X_1, X_2 and X_3 are the skewsymmetric matrices defined by:

$$X_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, X_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, X_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The interpolation conditions, as well as the boundary conditions, are always assumed to hold and will be omitted hereafter.

Case I - full control

$$\min_{u(\cdot)} \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T (u_1^2 + u_2^2 + u_3^2) dt \quad \text{subject to}$$

$$\dot{x} = v_1 X_1(x) + v_2 X_2(x) + v_3 X_3(x), \quad \dot{v}_i = u_i, \quad i = 1, 2, 3.$$

The extremals satisfy

$$\frac{d^3 v}{dt^3} + v \times \frac{d^2 v}{dt^2} = 0 \quad \text{where } v = (v_1, v_2, v_3)^T.$$

Case II - nonholonomic constraint, driftless

$$\min_{u(\cdot)} \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T (u_1^2 + u_2^2) dt \quad \text{subject to}$$

$$\dot{x} = v_1 X_1(x) + v_2 X_2(x), \quad \dot{v}_1 = u_1, \quad \dot{v}_2 = u_2.$$

The extremals satisfy

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \ddot{v}_1 - \lambda_3 v_2 = 0 \\ \ddot{v}_2 + \lambda_3 v_1 = 0 \\ \dot{\lambda}_3 - v_1 \ddot{v}_2 + v_2 \ddot{v}_1 = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

Case III - nonholonomic constraint, with drift

$\min_{u(\cdot)} \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T u_2^2 dt$ subject to

$$\dot{x} = X_1(x) + v_2 X_2(x), \quad \dot{v}_2 = u_2.$$

The extremals satisfy

$$\begin{cases} \ddot{v}_2 + \lambda_3 = 0 \\ \dot{\lambda}_1 + \lambda_3 v_2 = 0 \\ \dot{\lambda}_3 - \ddot{v}_2 - \lambda_1 v_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

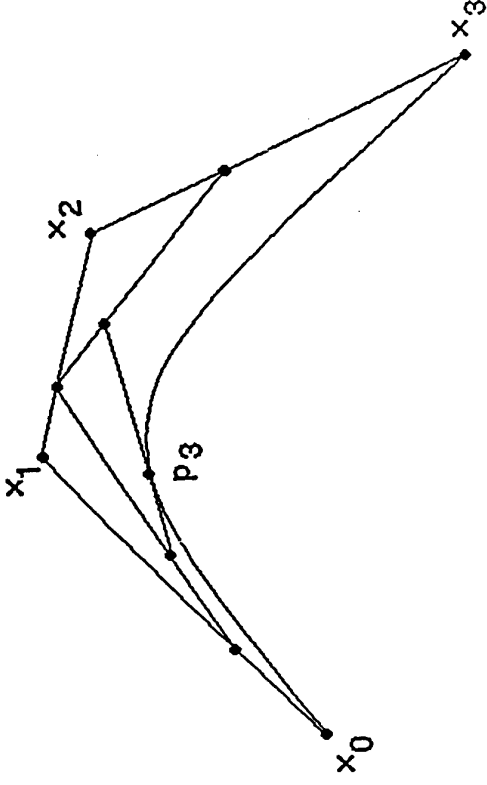
- Theoretically these optimal control problems may be solved alternatively using the maximum principle. But this Hamiltonian approach does not bring any light into the geometry of the extremals.

- The De Casteljau algorithm - a geometric construction of splines

(De Casteljau, Technical Report, Citroen/Paris -1959)

- The classical De Casteljau algorithm is a geometric construction, whereby two points in \mathbb{R}^m are joined by a polynomial through an iterative linear interpolation process.

Illustration for the construction of the cubic polynomial:



First step

$$p_1(t, x_0, x_1) = tx_1 + (1-t)x_0,$$

$$p_1(t, x_1, x_2) = tx_2 + (1-t)x_1,$$

$$p_1(t, x_2, x_3) = tx_3 + (1-t)x_2$$

Second step

$$p_2(t, x_0, x_1, x_2) = tp_1(t, x_1, x_2) + (1-t)p_1(t, x_0, x_1) = t^2x_2 + 2t(1-t)x_1 + (1-t)^2x_0,$$

$$p_2(t, x_1, x_2, x_3) = tp_1(t, x_2, x_3) + (1-t)p_1(t, x_1, x_2) = t^2x_3 + 2t(1-t)x_2 + (1-t)^2x_1,$$

Third step

$$\begin{aligned} p_3(t, x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3) &= tp_2(t, x_1, x_2, x_3) + (1-t)p_2(t, x_0, x_1, x_2) \\ &= t^3x_3 + 4t^2(1-t)x_2 + 3t(1-t)^2x_1 + (1-t)^3x_0, \end{aligned}$$

- Relationship between control points and initial/final velocity/acceleration:

$$p_3(0) = x_0, \quad p_3(1) = x_3,$$

$$\dot{p}_3(0) = 3(x_1 - x_0), \quad \dot{p}_3(1) = 3(x_3 - x_2),$$

$$\ddot{p}_3(0) = 6\{(x_2 - x_1) - (x_2 - x_0)\}, \quad \ddot{p}_3(1) = 6\{(x_3 - x_2) - (x_2 - x_1)\}.$$

- Given Hermite conditions [2 points (x_0, x_3) and 2 vectors (v_0, v_3)] find the cubic polynomial $p_3(t)$ that satisfies:

$$p_3(0) = x_0, \quad p_3(1) = x_3, \quad \dot{p}_3(0) = v_0, \quad \dot{p}_3(1) = v_3.$$

- Given [2 points (x_0, x_3) and 2 vectors (v_0, w_0)] find the cubic polynomial $p_3(t)$ that satisfies:

$$p_3(0) = x_0, \quad p_3(1) = x_3, \quad \dot{p}_3(0) = v, \quad \ddot{p}_3(0) = w_0.$$

- The last conditions are more appropriate to construct spline curves.

- The power of this algorithm lies in the fact that it can be easily generalized from \mathbb{R}^m to other spaces, as long as the linear interpolation process is suitably redefined.

• Generalized De Casteljau algorithm on Lie groups

(Ge, Ravani -1994), (Park, Ravani -1995), (Crouch, Kun, Silva Leite -1996, 1999)

First step

$$p_1(t, x_0, x_1) = e^{tV_0^1} x_0, \quad \text{where } x_1 = e^{V_0^1} x_0,$$

$$p_1(t, x_1, x_2) = e^{tV_1^1} x_1, \quad \text{where } x_2 = e^{V_1^1} x_1,$$

$$p_1(t, x_2, x_3) = e^{tV_2^1} x_2, \quad \text{where } x_3 = e^{V_2^1} x_2.$$

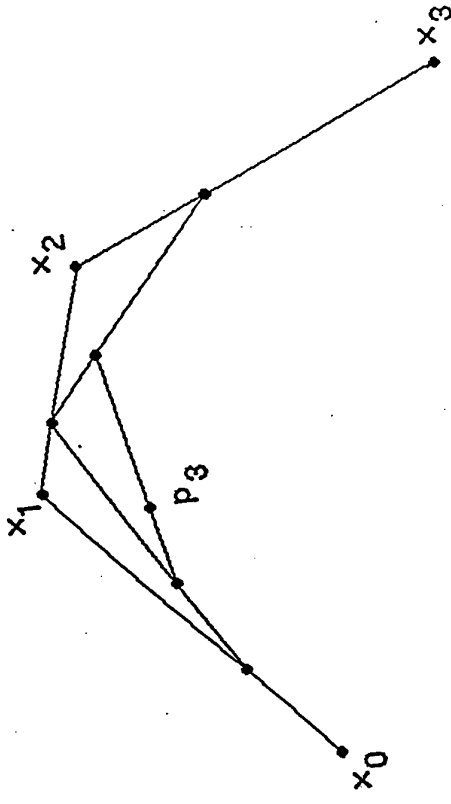
Second step

$$p_2(t, x_0, x_1, x_2) = e^{tV_0^2} e^{tV_0^1} x_0, \quad \text{where } e^{V_0^2} = e^{tV_1^1} e^{(1-t)V_0^1},$$

$$p_2(t, x_1, x_2, x_3) = e^{tV_1^2} e^{tV_1^1} x_1, \quad \text{where } e^{V_1^2} = e^{tV_2^1} e^{(1-t)V_1^1},$$

Third step

$$p_3(t, x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3) = e^{tV_0^3} e^{tV_0^2} e^{tV_0^1} x_0, \quad \text{where } e^{V_0^3} = e^{tV_1^2} e^{(1-t)V_0^2}.$$



- Relationship between control points and initial/final velocity/cov. acceleration:

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_3(0) &= x_0, & p_3(1) &= x_3, \\
 \dot{p}_3(0) &= 3V_0^1 x_0, & \dot{p}_3(1) &= 3V_2^1 x_3, \\
 \frac{D\dot{p}_3}{dt}(0) &= 6\chi_0^{-1}(V_1^1 - V_0^1)x_0, & \frac{D\dot{p}_3}{dt}(1) &= 6\chi_1^{-1}(V_2^1 - V_1^1)x_3.
 \end{aligned}$$

where $\chi_0 = \int_0^1 e^{u \operatorname{ad} V_0^1} du$, $\chi_1 = \int_0^1 e^{-u \operatorname{ad} V_2^1} du$.

(ad is the adjoint operator in the Lie algebra: $\operatorname{ad} A(B) = [A, B]$).

This is the same as the classical case, except for χ_0 and χ_1 !

• Main difficulties in implementing the De Casteljau algorithm:

- Exponentiating matrices (in the Lie algebra)
- Finding logarithms of matrices (in the Lie group)

• For the rotation group $SO(3)$ there are explicit formulas for the exponential

and the logarithm: If $S_a \in so(3)$ denotes the skewsymmetric matrix defined by

$S_a b = a \times b$, for a and b vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 and \times the cross product in \mathbb{R}^3 , we have

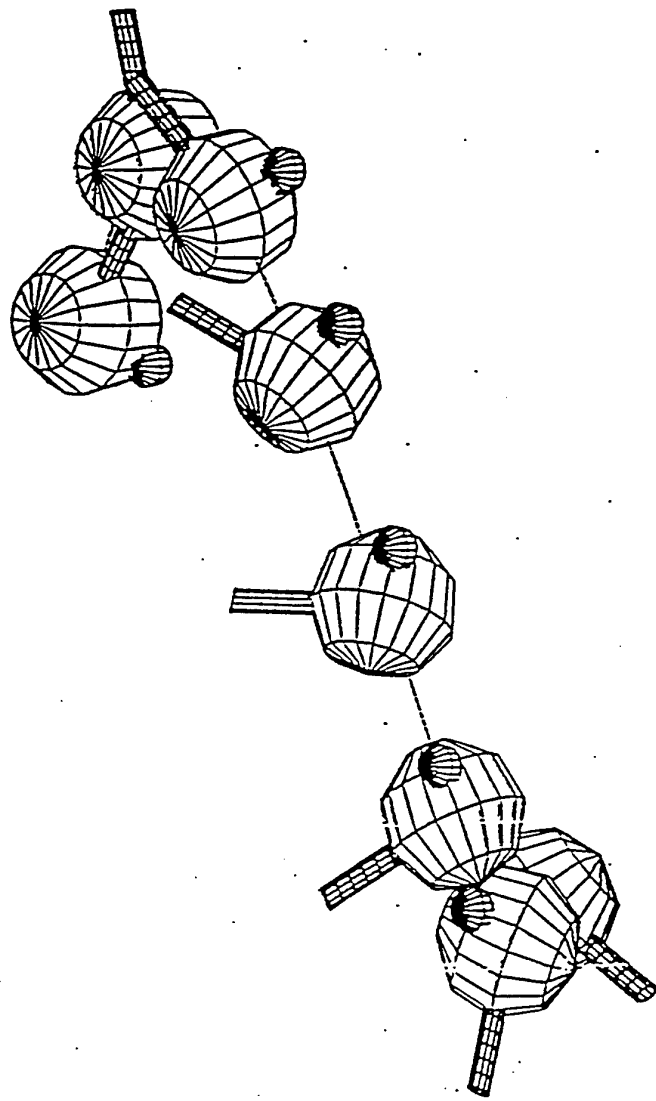
$$\exp(S_a) = I \cos(\|a\|) + \frac{\sin(\|a\|)}{\|a\|} S_a + \frac{1 - \cos(\|a\|)}{\|a\|^2} a a^T. \quad (\text{Rodrigues' formula})$$

Also, if $x \in SO(3)$, then

$$\log x = \frac{\alpha}{2 \sin \alpha} (x - x^T),$$

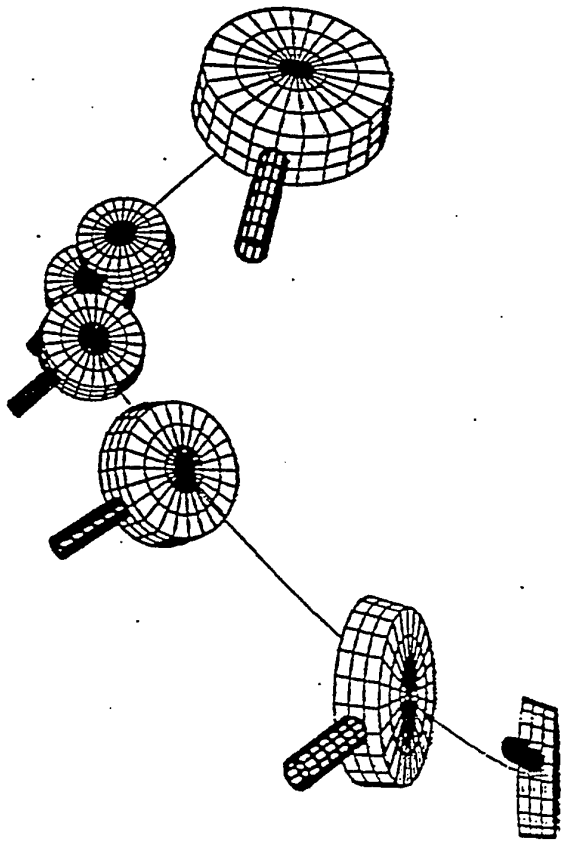
where $\cos \alpha = \frac{\text{trace}(x) - 1}{2}$.

- So, for $SO(3)$, the De Casteljau algorithm to produce polynomial curves and spline curves is easy to implement.



Animation of a satellite

(produced with a cubic spline on $SO(3)$)



The flying pan
(produced with a cubic polynomial on $SO(3)$)

- Generalized De Casteljau algorithm on spheres S^m

(Crouch, Kun, Silva Leite - 1999)

Again, the De Casteljau algorithm relies on the ability to compute geodesics on the sphere. The geodesic on S^m that joins two points, x_0 at $(t = 0)$ to x_1 at $(t = 1)$, is given by

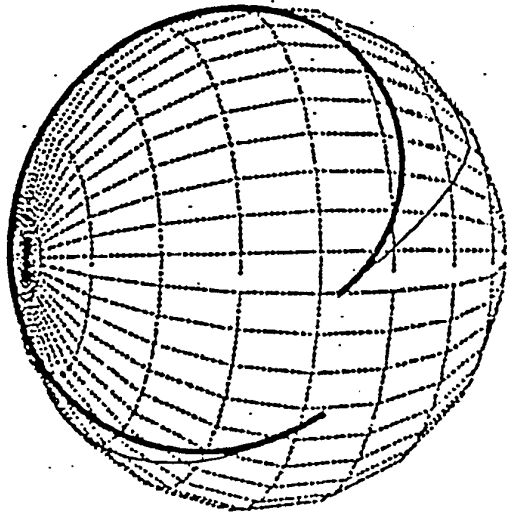
$$p_1(t, x_0, x_1) = \frac{\sin((1-t)\theta)}{\sin\theta} x_0 + \frac{\sin(t\theta)}{\sin\theta} x_1, \quad \theta = \cos x_0^T x_1^{-1}.$$

where $\theta = \cos x_0^T x_1^{-1}$.

This geodesic is the projection onto the sphere of a geodesic on $SO(m+1)$. ($SO(m+1)$ acts transitively on S^m). It turns out however that, for a sphere of any dimension, only matrix exponentials and logarithms in $SO(3)$ need to be computed.

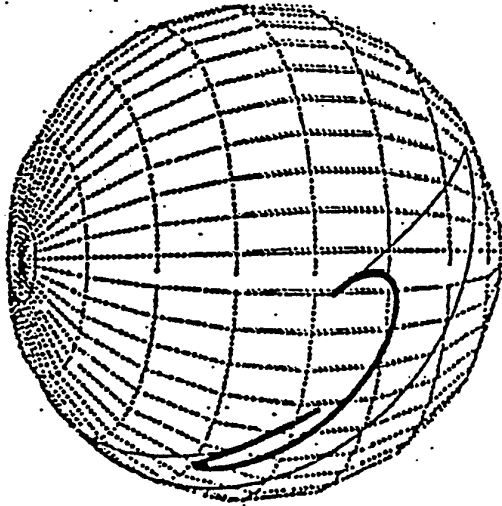
- So, the De Casteljau algorithm on spheres can be easily implemented.

The two dimensional case (S^2) reveals some interesting features, which do not show in Euclidean spaces.



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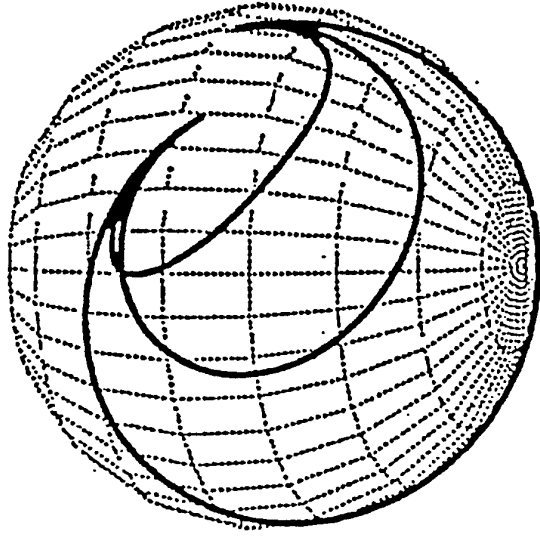
average acceleration ≈ 250



length ≈ 2.2

average acceleration ≈ 1150

Two cubics for the same boundary value problem



The control points are antipodal

- The class of interpolating curves defined by a variational principle or by a Hamiltonian approach does not seem so computationally tractable as those developed by the De Casteljau algorithm.
- Only for abelian Lie groups the curves produced by the variational principle are exactly those produced via the De Casteljau algorithm.

- **Conclusion**

- Good reasons to study the geometry of splines:
- The problem of synthesizing a smooth motion of a rigid body or groups of rigid bodies, such as robots, that interpolates a set of configurations in space has considerable importance in many engineering applications.
- Splines and optimal control (both linear and nonlinear) seem to be manifestations of the same phenomena.