

# Optimal Control: Path Constraints

Note title

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Integral Constraints:

$$\underset{\text{given}}{\vec{K}} = \int_{t_0}^{t_f} N(x, u, t) dt$$

Define:  $x_{n+1} = N(x, u, t)$

$$x_{n+1}(t_0) = 0 \quad \& \quad x_{n+1}(t_f) = K$$

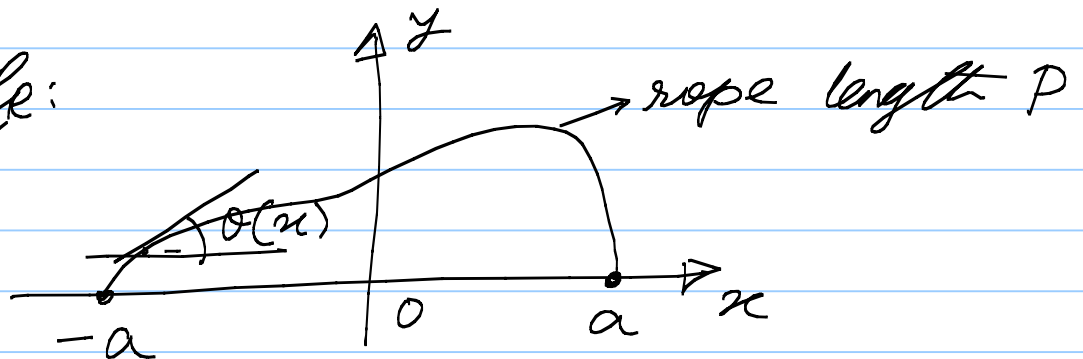
E-L eqns:  $H = L + \lambda^T f + \mu N$

$$\dot{\lambda}^T = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial L}{\partial x} - \lambda^T \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} - \mu \frac{\partial N}{\partial x}$$

$$0 = \frac{\partial H}{\partial u} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial u} + \lambda^T \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} + \mu \frac{\partial N}{\partial u}$$

$$\mu = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial x_{n+1}} = 0 \Rightarrow \mu = \text{constant}$$

Example:



$$A = \int_{-a}^a y dx \quad \rightarrow \quad \text{Find } Q(x) \text{ to maximize } A.$$

$$P = \int_{-a}^a \sec Q dx \quad \frac{dy}{dx} = \tan Q$$

Hamiltonian:

$$H = y + \lambda \tan Q + \mu \sec Q$$

E-L eqns are 3

(3)

$$\frac{dx}{dy} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial y} = -1 \Rightarrow \lambda = -x + c \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

↓  
constant

$$0 = \frac{\partial H}{\partial \theta} = \mu \tan \theta \sec \theta + \lambda \sec^2 \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta = -\frac{\lambda}{\mu} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Eliminating  $\lambda$  from (1) & (2):

$$x = \mu \sin \theta + c$$

$H$  is not an explicit function of  $x$ :

$H = \text{constant}$

Then from (2) & (3):

$$H = y + (-\mu \sin \theta \tan \theta) + \mu \frac{1}{\cos \theta}$$

$$= y + \mu \left[ \frac{1 - \sin^2 \theta}{\cos \theta} \right]$$

$$= y + \mu \cos \theta$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y = -\mu \cos \theta + H \quad (H = \text{constant})$$

$$\text{Now, } P = \int_A^B \sec \theta \frac{dx}{d\theta} d\theta$$

$$\text{But } \frac{dx}{d\theta} = \mu \cos \theta \quad \Rightarrow \mu \int_A^B d\theta = \mu (\theta_B - \theta_A) \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

Unknowns:  $c, H, \mu, \theta_A, \theta_B$

Boundary conditions:  $x(\theta_A) = -a, x(\theta_B) = a$

$$y(\alpha_A) = 0, y(\alpha_B) = 0 \quad \& \quad (4)$$

After solving; we get

$$x = -\frac{P}{2\alpha} \sin \alpha$$

$$y = \frac{P}{2\alpha} (\cos \alpha - \cos \alpha)$$

$$\text{or } x^2 + \left(y + \frac{P \cos \alpha}{2\alpha}\right)^2 = \frac{P^2}{4\alpha^2}$$

↳ Circular arc.

### Control Variable Equality Constraint

$$c(u, t) = 0$$

$$u(t) \in \mathbb{R}^m \quad m \geq 2$$

\* One method is to eliminate one variable in terms of the others.

$$* H = L + \lambda^T f + \mu C$$

$$\text{Only change: } 0 = \frac{\partial H}{\partial u} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial u} + \lambda^T \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} + \mu \frac{\partial c}{\partial u}$$

### Equality Constraints on functions of the control + state variable

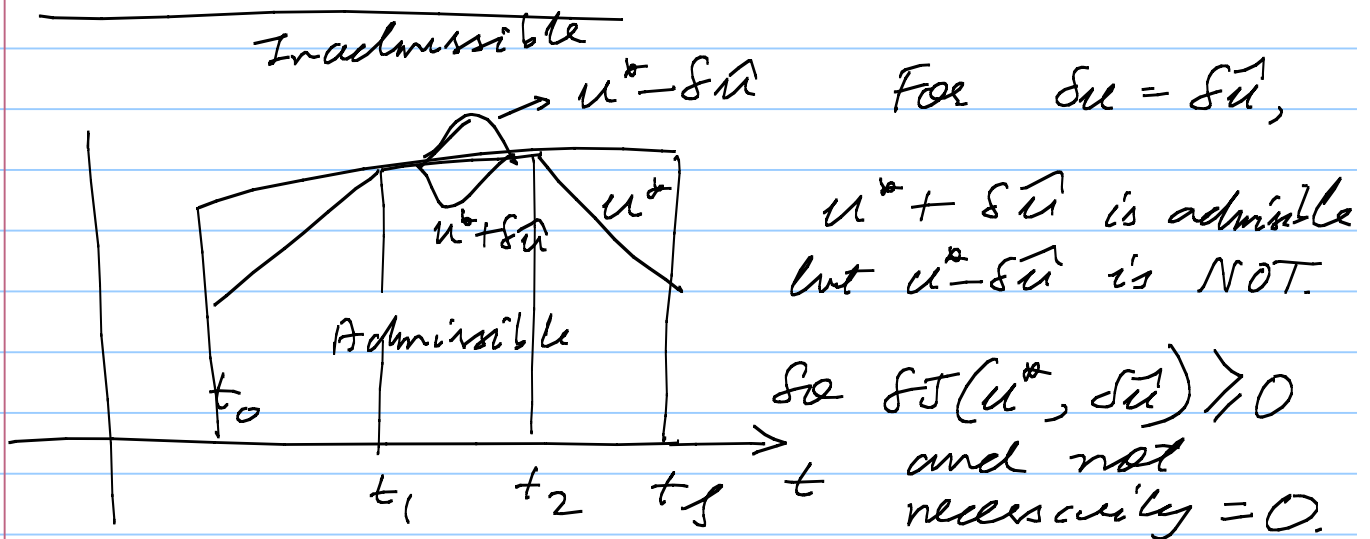
$$c(x, u, t) = 0$$

$$\rightarrow H = L + \lambda^T f + \mu^T c$$

$$0 = \frac{\partial H}{\partial u} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial u} + \lambda^T \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} + \mu^T \frac{\partial c}{\partial u}$$

$$\dot{\lambda}^T = - \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} = - \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} - \lambda^T \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} - \mu^T \frac{\partial c}{\partial x}$$

Inequality Constraints on the Control Variable:



So necessary condition:  
 $\delta J(u^*, \delta u) \geq 0$ .

Now as usual:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta J &\equiv \int_{t_0}^{t_f} \frac{\partial H}{\partial u} \delta u(t) dt \\ &= \int_{t_0}^{t_f} [H(x^*, u^* + \delta u, \lambda^*, t) - H(x^*, u^*, \lambda^*, t)] dt \geq 0 \\ &\text{for all admissible } \delta u(t). \quad \text{--- (1)} \end{aligned}$$

Claim: (1)  $\Rightarrow H(x^*(t), u^*(t) + \delta u(t), \lambda^*(t), t) \geq H(x^*(t), u^*(t), \lambda^*(t), t)$   
for all admissible  $\delta u(t)$  and all  $t \in [t_0, t_f]$

Proof:

$$\text{Let } u(t) = \begin{cases} u^*(t) & t \in [t_1, t_2] \\ u^*(t) + \delta u(t) & t \in [t_1, t_2] \end{cases}$$

$\delta u$  is admissible & "small".

$$\text{Let } H(x^*, u, \lambda^*, t) < H(x^*, u^*, \lambda^*, t)$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{t_0}^{t_f} [H(x^*, u, \lambda^*, t) - H(x^*, u^*, \lambda^*, t)] dt < 0$$

Since  $[t_1, t_2]$  can be anywhere in  $[t_0, t_f]$

$$H(x^*, u^*, \lambda^*, t) \leq H(x^*, u, \lambda^*, t)$$

$$\forall t \in [t_0, t_f]$$

①

### Pontryagin's Minimum Principle

For all the problems considered, if input inequality constraints are present, replace  $\frac{\partial H}{\partial u} = 0$  with ①.  
→ All the other necessary conditions remain valid.

Note: 1)  $u^*(t)$  is the control that makes  $H$  globally min. at each  $t$ .

2) Eqn ① is necessary but not sufficient.

3) The above derivation was done for fixed  $t_f$  & no terminal constraints. However ① holds

free of & terminal constraints  
also.

Example:  $\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = -x_2 + u \end{cases} \quad \left( x(t_0) = x_0 \right)$

$$-1 \leq u(t) \leq 1 \quad \forall t \in [t_0, t_f]$$

$$\min J = \int_{t_0}^{t_f} \frac{1}{2} [x_1^2(t) + u^2(t)] dt$$

$$H = \frac{1}{2} x_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} u^2 + \lambda_1 x_1 + \lambda_2 (-x_2 + u)$$

$$= ( \quad ) + \frac{1}{2} u^2 + \lambda_2 u$$

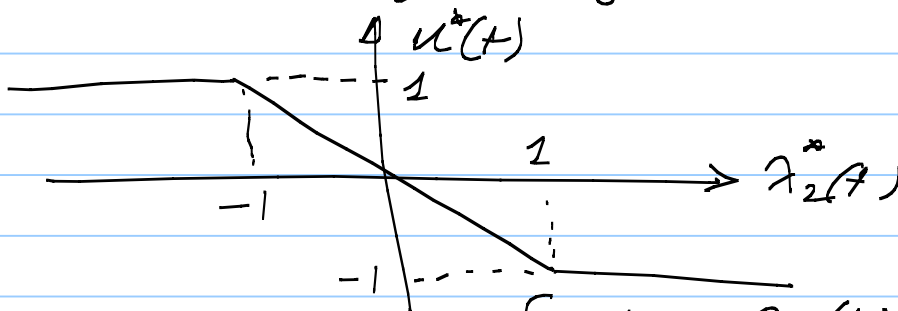
For parts where  $|u(t)| < 1$ ,

$$u^*(t) = -\lambda_2(t)$$

This will happen when  $|\lambda_2(t)| < 1$

if  $|\lambda_2(t)| > 1$  - then

$$u^*(t) = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{for } \lambda_2(t) > 1 \\ 1 & \text{for } \lambda_2(t) < -1 \end{cases}$$



Hence 
$$u^*(t) = \begin{cases} -1 & \lambda_2(t) > 1 \\ -\lambda_2(t) & -1 \leq \lambda_2(t) \leq 1 \\ +1 & \lambda_2(t) < -1 \end{cases}$$

Example:  $J = \frac{a^2}{2} \|x(T)\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T \|u\|^2 dt$

$$\dot{x} = g(t)u \quad (g(t)^0: \text{linear})$$

$$|u(t)| \leq 1$$

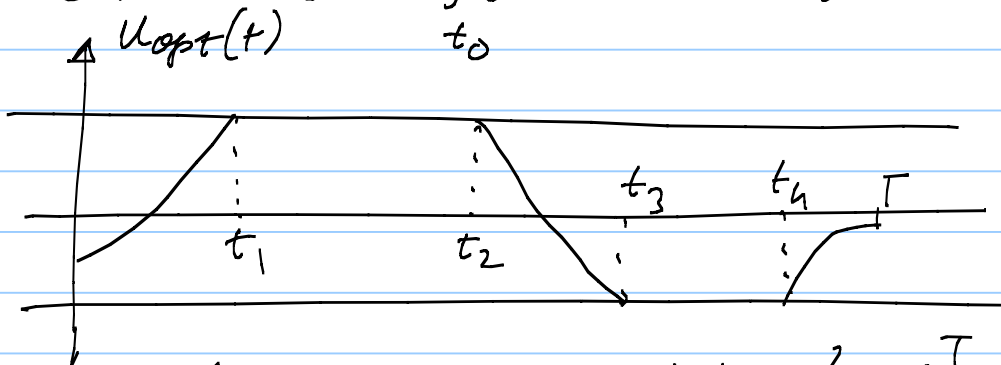
$$H = \frac{1}{2} \|u\|^2 + \lambda^T g u$$

$$\dot{\lambda}^T = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial x} = 0 \quad \lambda(t) = \lambda(T) = a^2 x(T)$$

Using PMP:  $u_{opt} = -\text{sat}[a^2 g(t) x(T)]$

$$\text{sat}(x) = \begin{cases} x & |x| < 1 \\ 1 & |x| \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$x(T) = x_0 - \int_{t_0}^T g(t) \text{sat}[a^2 g(t) x(T)] dt$$

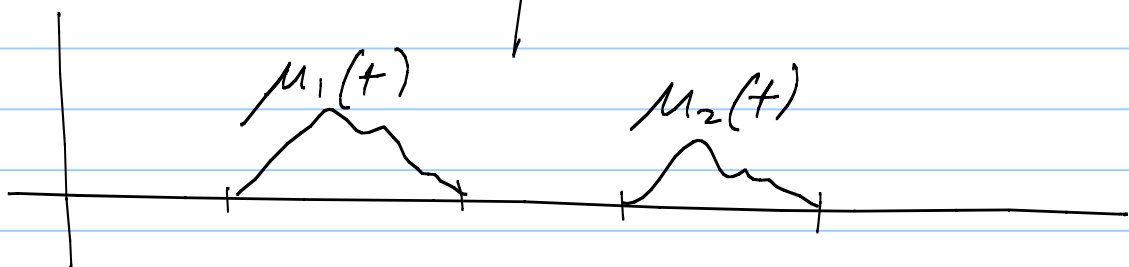


Alternate way:  $H = \frac{1}{2} \|u\|^2 + \lambda^T g u + \mu_1(u-1) + \mu_2(-u-1)$

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial u} = 0 \Rightarrow u + \lambda^T g + \mu_1 - \mu_2 = 0$$

$$\mu_1 > 0 \quad \text{if } u = 1 \quad \left| \quad \mu_2 > 0 \quad \text{if } u = -1$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{otherwise} \quad \quad \quad = 0 \quad \text{otherwise}$$



$$\mu_1(t) = \begin{cases} -(1 + a^2 g(t) \kappa(t)) & t_1 \leq t \leq t_2 \\ 0 & \text{other time} \end{cases}$$

$$\mu_2(t) = \begin{cases} -1 + a^2 g(t) \kappa(t) & t_3 \leq t \leq t_4 \\ 0 & \text{other time} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1 + a^2 g(t) \kappa(t) &= 0 & \text{at } t=t_1 \text{ \& } t_2 \\ -1 + a^2 g(t) \kappa(t) &= 0 & \text{at } t=t_3 \text{ \& } t_4 \end{aligned}$$

Inequality Constraints on Functions of Control + state variables

$$c(x, u, t) \leq 0$$

$$H = L + \lambda^T f + \mu c \quad \text{where } \mu = \begin{cases} > 0 & c = 0 \\ = 0 & c < 0 \end{cases}$$

and E-L eqns become

$$\dot{\lambda}^T = - \frac{\partial H}{\partial x} = \begin{cases} \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} - \lambda^T \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} - \mu \frac{\partial c}{\partial x} & c = 0 \\ - \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} - \lambda^T \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} & c < 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial u} = \frac{\partial L}{\partial u} + \lambda^T \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} + \mu \frac{\partial c}{\partial u} = 0 \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

For  $c < 0$ ,  $\mu = 0$  in (1) determine  $u(t)$   
 For  $c = 0$ ,  $\mu > 0$ .