

Spacetime Constraints

(Exact Control)

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Define the $L^2(0, 1)$ -norm $\|\cdot\|$ by

$$\|f\|^2 := \int_0^1 |f(t)|^2 dt.$$

A Minimization Problem :

Find a control $f \in L^2(0, 1)$ which minimizes

$$\|f\|^2$$

subject to the constraints

$$x''(t) + x'(t) = f(t) \tag{1}$$

$$x(0) = x'(0) = 0, \quad x(1) = 1, \quad x'(1) = 0.$$

Step 1 : Find the homo. sols. for Eq. (1).

$$\lambda^2 + \lambda = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \lambda = 0, -1.$$

Basis functions : $x_1 = 1, \quad x_2 = e^{-t}$.

Homogeneous Sol. : $x_h(t) = C_1 + C_2 e^{-t}$.

Step 2 : Find a particular sol. for Eq. (1).

$$\text{Wronskian : } w(t) = \begin{vmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ x_1' & x_2' \end{vmatrix} = -e^{-t}.$$

A particular solution is

$$\begin{aligned} x_p(t) &= -x_1 \int_0^t \frac{x_2 f}{w} du + x_2 \int_0^t \frac{x_1 f}{w} du \\ &= \int_0^t f(u) du - e^{-t} \int_0^t e^u f(u) du. \end{aligned}$$

Step 3 : General Solution :

$$x(t) = x_h(t) + x_p(t).$$

Step 4 : Initial Conditions :

$$x(0) = x'(0) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad C_1 = C_2 = 0.$$

$$x(t) = x_p(t).$$

Step 5 : Check the constraints :

$$x(1) = 1, \quad x'(1) = 0$$

with
$$x'(t) = e^{-t} \int_0^t e^u f(u) du.$$

Hence

$$x(1) = \int_0^1 \phi_1(t) f(t) dt = 1$$
$$x'(1) = \int_0^1 \phi_2(t) f(t) dt = 0,$$

that is,

$$(\phi_1 | f) = 1, \quad (\phi_2 | f) = 0$$

where

$$\phi_1(t) = 1 - e^{t-1}, \quad \phi_2(t) = e^{t-1}.$$

Final Step 6 :

Find a control $f = a_1\phi_1 + a_2\phi_2 \in M$ such that

$$(\phi_1 | f) = 1, \quad (\phi_2 | f) = 0.$$

The matrix form :

$$A \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b},$$

where

$$A_{ii} := (\phi_i | \phi_i), \quad i = 1, 2,$$

$$A_{12} = A_{21} := (\phi_1 | \phi_2),$$

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Proof of the Final Step

From the **Step 5**, we have

Changed Minimization Problem(2) :

Find a control $f \in L^2(0, 1)$ which minimizes

$$\|f\|^2$$

subject to the constraints

$$(\phi_1 | f) = 1, \quad (\phi_2 | f) = 0 \quad (2)$$

Choose a $g \in L^2(0, 1)$ which satisfies Eq. (2):

$$(\phi_1 | g) = 1, \quad (\phi_2 | g) = 0.$$

Define a space

$$M := \text{Span}\{\phi_1, \phi_2\}$$

and let M^\perp be its orthogonal complement.

Let $h = g - f$, i.e., $f = g - h$.

Then $h \in M^\perp$, i.e.,

$$(\phi_1 | h) = 0, \quad (\phi_2 | h) = 0.$$

Changed Minimization Problem(3) :

Find a control $f = g - h \in L^2(0, 1)$ which minimizes

$$\|g - h\|^2, \quad h \in M^\perp.$$

This is equivalent to

Find the orthogonal projection h_g over M^\perp ,

$$f = g - h_g \perp M^\perp.$$

So,

$$f = a_1\phi_1 + a_2\phi_2 \in M.$$

Changed Minimization Problem(4) :

Find a control $f = a_1\phi_1 + a_2\phi_2 \in M$ such that

$$(\phi_1 | f) = 1, \quad (\phi_2 | f) = 0.$$

The matrix form :

$$A \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b},$$

where

$$A_{ii} := (\phi_i | \phi_i), \quad i = 1, 2,$$

$$A_{12} = A_{21} := (\phi_1 | \phi_2),$$

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{aligned}A_{11} &= -\frac{1}{2}(1 - 4e^{-1} + e^{-2}) \\A_{22} &= \frac{1}{2}(1 - e^{-2}) \\A_{12} = A_{21} &= \frac{1}{2}(1 - 2e^{-1} + e^{-2}).\end{aligned}$$

The exact control $f(t)$ is

$$f(t) = \frac{1 + e - 2e^t}{3 - e}.$$