

# Lecture #12

(Lec. 11  $\leftrightarrow$  Midterm)

## #5 Interior Point Constraints:

$$\underbrace{N(\underline{x}(t_1), t_1)}_{n \times 1} = 0, \quad \underbrace{t_0}_{\substack{\text{say} \\ 0}} < t_1 < T$$

(vector  $f^*$ )

This means we have 3PBVP instead of 2PBVP.

Consider times  $t_1^-$  and  $t_1^+$

Then we have 2 extra conditions:

$$\underline{\lambda}(t_1^+) = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \underline{x}(t_1)}$$

$$\text{and } H(t_1^+) = - \frac{\partial L}{\partial t_1}$$

These combined with the transversality gives the so-called "Jump conditions" (next page)

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \underline{\lambda}(t_1^-) &= \underline{\lambda}(t_1^+) + \pi^T \frac{\partial \underline{N}}{\partial \underline{x}(t_1)} \\ H(t_1^-) &= H(t_1^+) - \pi^T \frac{\partial \underline{N}}{\partial t_1} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ "Jump conditions"}$$

where  $\pi$  (column vector of same dimension  $n \times 1$  as  $\underline{N}$ )

Lagrange multiplier to be determined so that the interior point constraint

$$\underline{N}_{n \times 1}(\underline{x}(t_i), t_i) = 0 \text{ is satisfied.}$$

constant vector

"Jump" implies discontinuities in  $\underline{\lambda}$  &  $H$  @  $t = t_1$

However, the state vector is continuous, i.e.,  $\underline{x}(t_1^-) = \underline{x}(t_1^+)$

Can be extended to multiple times:

$$t_0 < t_1 < t_2 < T$$

↑            ↑  
                given (fixed)

$$N(\underline{x}(t_1), t_1) = 0$$

$$M(\underline{x}(t_2), t_2) = 0$$

} Double jump conditions  
etc.

4PBVP - etc.

### Exercise (for #5)

Min. time intercept  $t$  passing through an  
intermediate point:

$$\min \int_0^T 1 \cdot dt$$

$$\theta(t)$$

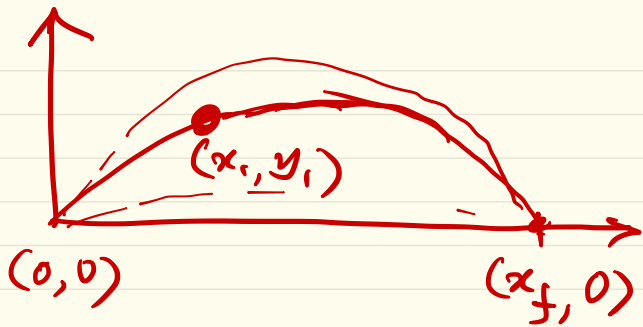
$$\begin{aligned} \text{s.t. } \dot{\underline{x}} &= u \\ \dot{u} &= a \cos \theta \\ \dot{y} &= v \\ \dot{v} &= a \sin \theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x(0) &= 0 \\ y(0) &= 0 \\ u(0) &= 0 \\ v(0) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x(t_1) &= x_1 \\ y(t_1) &= y_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x(T) &= x_f \\ y(T) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

} Given  $(x_1, y_1)$ ,  $x_f$  is given,  
 $a$  is constant (known)  
 $0 < t_1 < T$ , but  $t_1$  is free  
otherwise



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Control inequality constraints:

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

$$H = L + \underline{\lambda}^T \underline{f} + \mu^T c$$

PMP:  $0 = \frac{\partial H}{\partial \underline{u}} = L_u + \underline{\lambda}^T \frac{\partial \underline{f}}{\partial \underline{u}} + \mu^T c_u$

additional  
requirement:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \mu \geq 0 \quad \text{if } c = 0 \\ \mu = 0 \quad \text{if } c < 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

# Bang-Bang Control:

(Linear OCP with linear control inequality constraint)

the dynamics & Lagrangian are both linear in  $u$

$$\min_{u(\cdot)} \int_0^T L(x, u, t) dt$$

$L$  is linear in  $u$

s.t.  $\dot{x} = Ax + Bu$

&  $u_{min} \leq u \leq u_{max}$

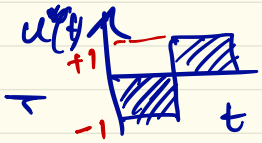
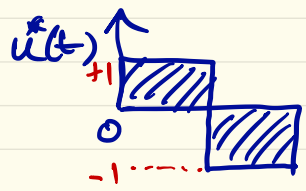
$$H = \underbrace{L}_{\text{also linear in } u} + \lambda^T \underbrace{f}_{Ax + Bu}$$

Without loss of generality, we consider  $u_{min} = -1$   $u_{max} = +1$

$$|u| \leq u_{max} \rightarrow 1$$

$$|u| \leq 1$$

Optimal control  $u^*(t)$



# PMP (Pontryagin Maximum Principle)

$$0 = \frac{\partial H}{\partial \underline{u}} \iff \text{choose } \underline{u} \text{ such that} \\ \text{it pointwise } \underline{\text{minimizes}} \ H.$$

• In general, no minimizer  $u^*(\cdot)$  exists unless you specify inequality constraints on the state and/or control variables.  
(since  $u^* = -\infty$  will make  $H = -\infty$ )

• If  $|u| \leq u_{\max}$ , then  $u^*(\cdot) \in \{-u_{\max}, +u_{\max}\}$ .

Example: Minimum time control of double integrator,  
with given  $(x_0, y_0)$ , and given  $(x(T), y(T)) = (0, 0)$

i.e., Bring a point mass to origin  
in minimum time

Problem:

$$\min_{u(\cdot) \in C([0, T])} \int_0^T 1 dt, \quad T \text{ free.}$$

$$\ddot{x} = u \iff \begin{matrix} \dot{x}_1 = x \\ \dot{x}_2 = \dot{x} \end{matrix} \iff \begin{matrix} \dot{x}_1 = x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = u \end{matrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} \dot{x}_1 = x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = u \end{matrix}$$

$(x_0, y_0) \equiv (x_1(0), x_2(0))$  given

$\begin{pmatrix} x(T) \\ y(T) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , fixed.

$$|u| \leq 1 \iff -1 \leq u \leq +1$$

By  $C([0, T])$   
we mean  
either left/right  
continuity  
@ jump

(càdlàg)  
functions

$$H = L + \lambda^T f = 1 + \lambda_1 x_2 + \lambda_2^{(+)} u$$

costate eq<sup>n</sup>:

$$\lambda_1^e = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial x_1} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \boxed{\lambda_1 = c_1} \text{ (constant)}$$

$$\lambda_2^e = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial x_2} = -\lambda_1 = -c_1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{\lambda_2(t) = -c_1 t + c_2}$$

PMP:

$$u^*(t) = \begin{cases} \overset{u_{\min}}{\circledast} -1 & \text{if } \lambda_2(t) > 0 \\ \overset{u_{\max}}{\circledast} +1 & \text{if } \lambda_2(t) < 0 \\ \text{undetermined (arbitrary)} & \text{if } \lambda_2(t) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$u^*(t) = \underline{-\text{sign}(\lambda_2(t))}$$

(any  $u(t) \rightarrow t$ .

$-1 \leq u(t) \leq +1$  is possible)

we will soon see that this case will NOT be possible for our dynamics  $\ddot{x} = u$ .



Transversality:  $d\underline{x}(T) = 0$ ,  $dT \neq 0$ .  
final state fixed.

$$H(T) = 0 \Leftrightarrow 1 + c_1 \cancel{x_2(T)} + \lambda_2(T) u(T) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \boxed{\lambda_2(T) u(T) = -1}$$

$\Leftrightarrow$  either  $u(T) = 1$  and  $\lambda_2(T) = -1$   
or  $u(T) = -1$  and  $\lambda_2(T) = +1$

Notice that  $\lambda_2(t)$  depends on initial condition  $(x_0, y_0)$

∴ Optimal control:

$$u^*(t) = \begin{aligned} &\text{either } -1 \quad \forall t \in [0, T] \\ &\text{or } -1 \text{ switching to } +1 \text{ @ } t=t_s \\ &\text{or } +1 \quad \text{'''''''' } -1 \text{ @ } t=t_s \\ &\text{or } +1 \quad \forall t \in [0, T] \end{aligned}$$

This is because

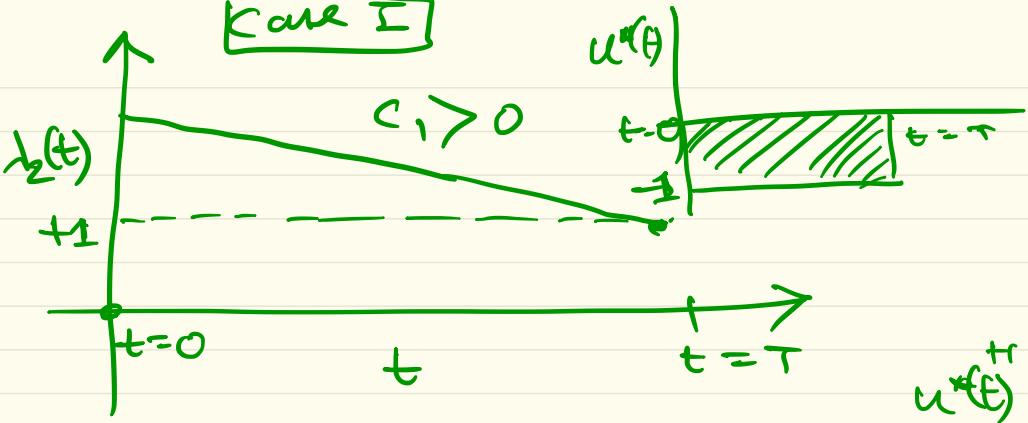
$\lambda_2(t)$  is a linear function of  $t$

(i.e.)  $\lambda_2(t)$  can change sign at most once

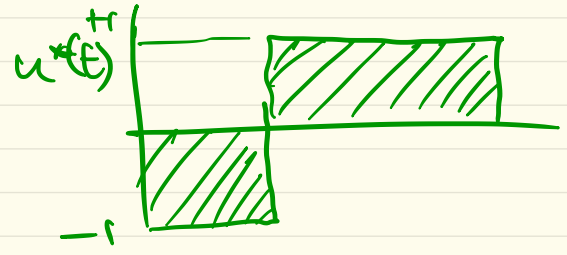
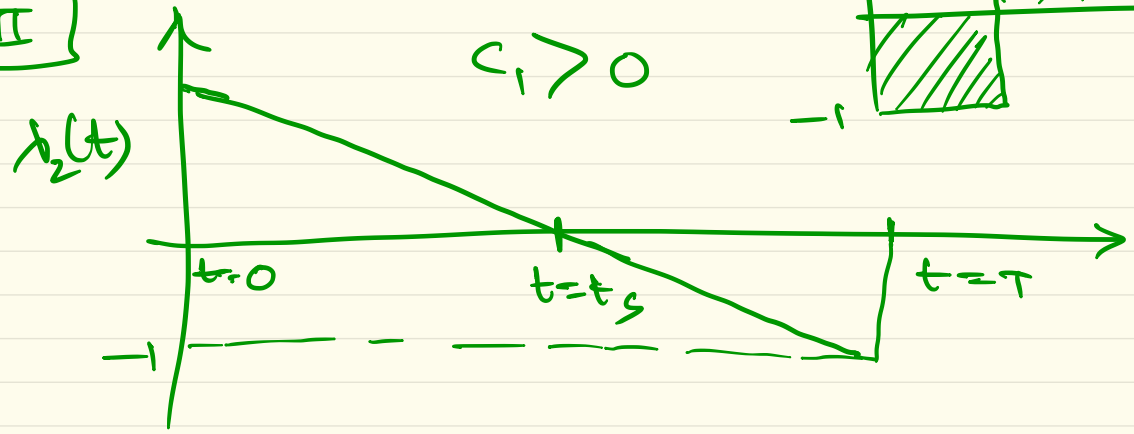
∴  $u^*(t) = -\text{sign}(\lambda_2(t))$  can also change sign at most once.

- @  $\lambda_2(t) = 0$ ,  $u^*(t) \in \{-1, +1\}$  (∵  $u(\cdot) \in C[0, T]$ )  
∴  $u^*(t) \in \{-1, +1\} \quad \forall t \in [0, T]$

Case I

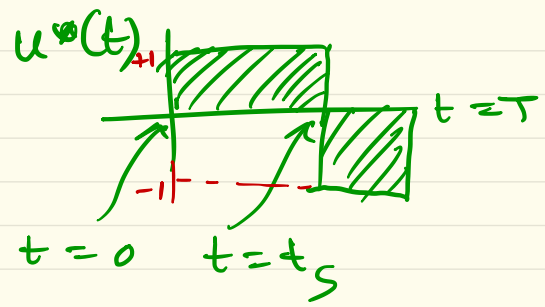
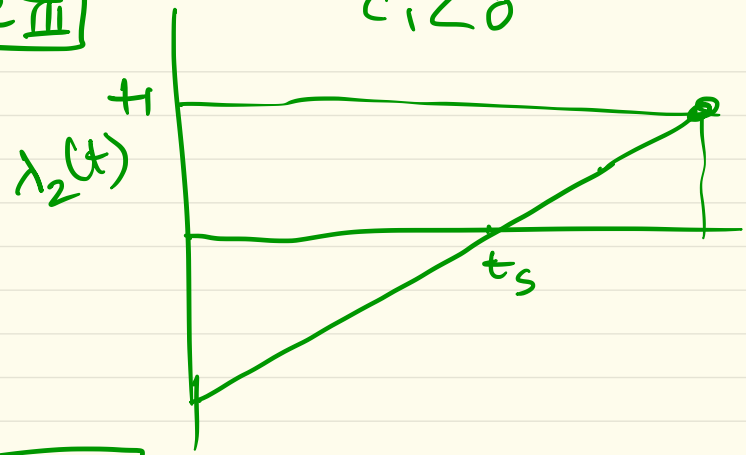


Case II



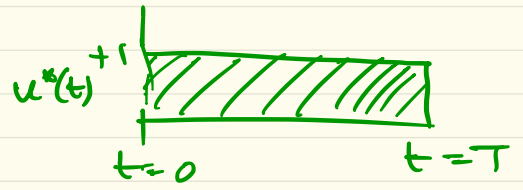
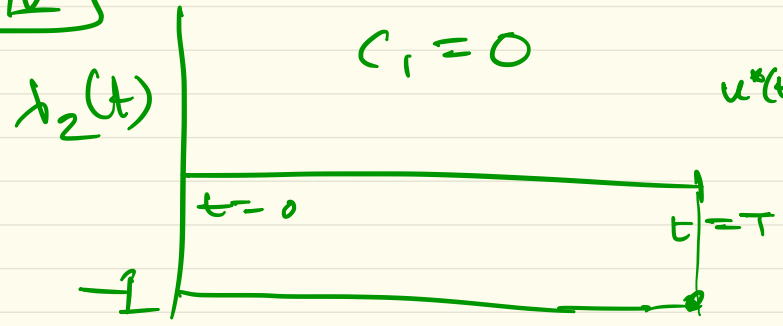
**Case III**

$$C_1 < 0$$



**Case IV**

$$C_1 = 0$$



Since  $u^*(t) = \pm 1$ , hence  $\dot{x}_1 = x_2$   
 $\dot{x}_2 = \pm 1$

If  $u^*(t) = +1$ , then

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \dot{x}_1 = x_2 \\ \dot{x}_2 = +1 \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} x_1(t) = \frac{1}{2}t^2 + at + b \\ x_2(t) = t + a \end{array} \right\}$$

Apply I.C.  $a = y_0, b = x_0$

$$t = x_2 - a$$

$$\therefore x_1 = \frac{1}{2}(x_2 - a)^2 + a(x_2 - a) + b$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}(y - y_0)^2 + y_0(y - y_0) + x_0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x - x_0) = \frac{1}{2}(y^2 - 2yy_0 + y_0^2) + \underline{yy_0} - \underline{y_0^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}y^2 - \frac{1}{2}y_0^2 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}y^2 + \left(x_0 - \frac{1}{2}y_0^2\right)$$

$a, b$  are constants of integration to be determined from the initial condition (I.C.)

$$x_1 \equiv x$$

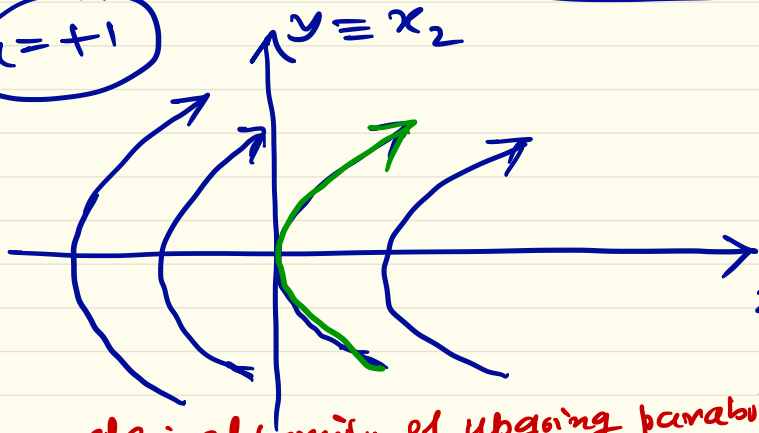
$$x_2 \equiv y$$

$K \in \mathbb{R}$

Similarly, for  $u = -1$ , we get:

$$x = -\frac{1}{2}y^2 + k, \quad k \in \mathbb{R}$$

$u = +1$

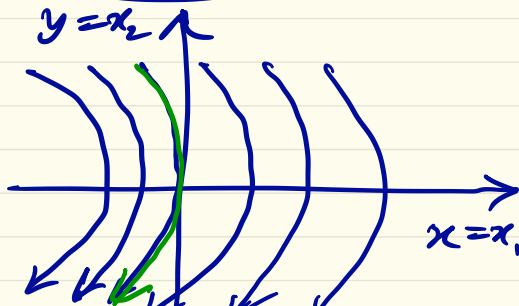


Parameterized family of upgoing parabolas

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

$$\dot{x}_2 = +1$$

$u = -1$



Parameterized family of downgoing <sup>inward</sup> parabolas

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

$$\dot{x}_2 = -1$$

Only 2 of these curves

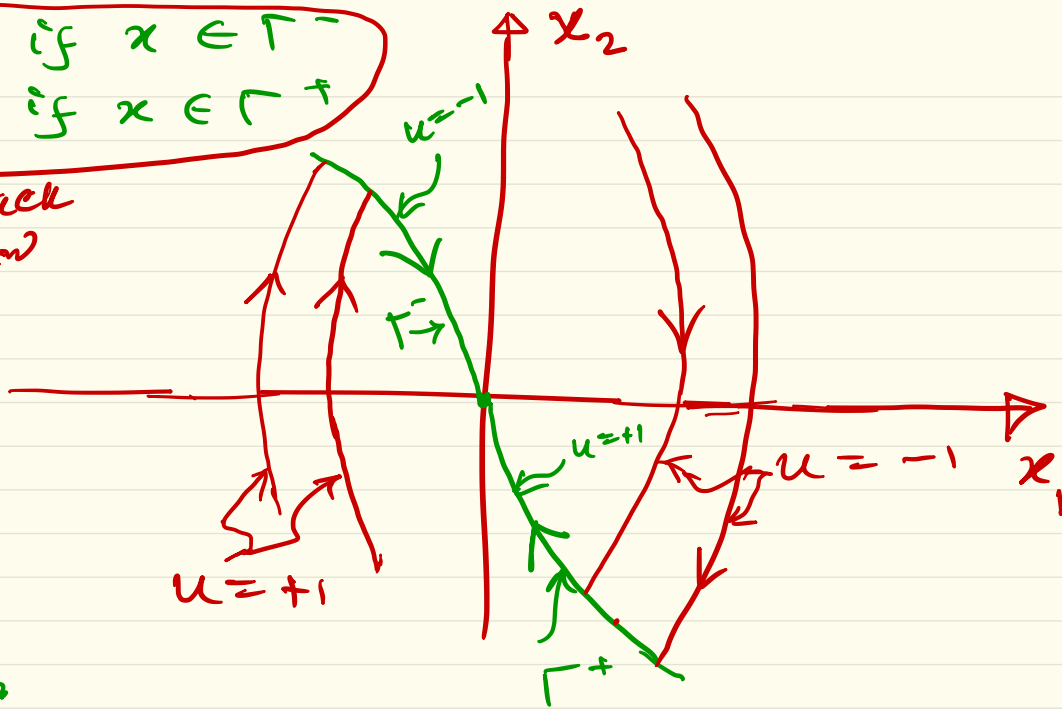
pass through origin

Union of their segments define switching curve

$$\Gamma \equiv \Gamma^+ \cup \Gamma^-$$

$$u^* = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{if } x \in \Gamma^- \\ -1 & \text{if } x \in \Gamma^+ \end{cases}$$

State feedback control law



If the IC is already on  $\Gamma$ , then no switching

Optimal strategy:  $u^* = +1$  or  $-1$  depending on whether I.C. is above or below  $\Gamma = \Gamma^+ \cup \Gamma^-$

Clearly, the switching curve  $\Gamma = \Gamma^+ \cup \Gamma^-$  divides the state space in 2 regions, one above  $\Gamma$ , and other below  $\Gamma$ .

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{If } x(t) \text{ is above } \Gamma, \text{ then } u^*(x(t)) = -1 \\ \text{If } x(t) \text{ is below } \Gamma, \text{ then } u^*(x(t)) = +1 \\ \text{If } x(t) \text{ is on } \Gamma^+, \text{ then } u^*(x(t)) = +1 \\ \text{If } x(t) \text{ is on } \Gamma^-, \text{ then } u^*(x(t)) = -1 \end{array} \right\}$$

End of example

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The above example had dynamics:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{pmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}}_A \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}_B u, \quad \begin{cases} \underline{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \\ u \in \mathbb{R} \end{cases}$$

Similar

results can be derived for  $\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\underline{u} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ .  
Of course, to bring the system to origin, we need  $(A, B)$  controllable.