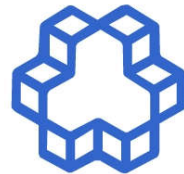


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## Model Predictive Control

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# Soft Constraints



## Soft Constraints: Motivation

- ❑ **Input constraints** are dictated by physical constraints on the actuators and are usually **“hard”**
- ❑ State/output constraints arise from practical restrictions on the allowed operating range and are **rarely hard**
- ❑ Hard state/output constraints always lead to complications in the controller implementation
  - ❑ Feasible operating regime is constrained even for stable systems
  - ❑ Controller patches must be implemented to generate reasonable control action when measured/estimated states move outside feasible range because of disturbances or noise
- ❑ In industrial implementations, typically, state constraints are softened

# Soft Constraints



## Mathematical Formulation

- Original problem:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min_z & f(z) \\ \text{subj. to} & g(z) \leq 0 \end{array}$$

Assume for now  $g(z)$  is scalar valued.

- “Softened” problem:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min_{z, \epsilon} & f(z) + l(\epsilon) \\ \text{subj. to} & g(z) \leq \epsilon \\ & \epsilon \geq 0 \end{array}$$

### Requirement on $l(\epsilon)$

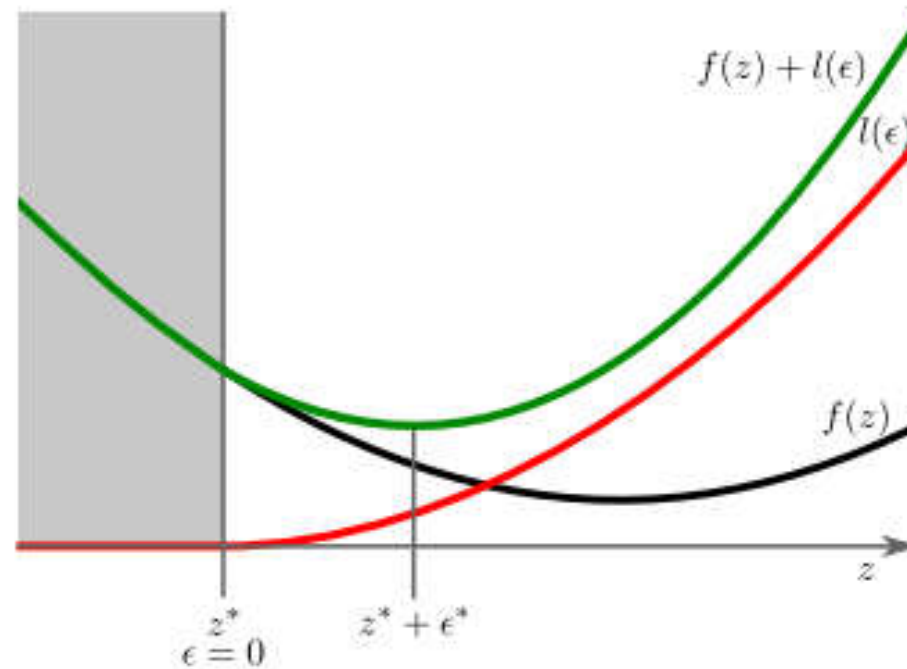
If the original problem has a feasible solution  $z^*$ , then the softened problem should have the same solution  $z^*$ , and  $\epsilon = 0$ .

**Note:**  $l(\epsilon) = v \cdot \epsilon^2$  does not meet this requirement for any  $v > 0$  as demonstrated next.

# Soft Constraints



## Quadratic Penalty

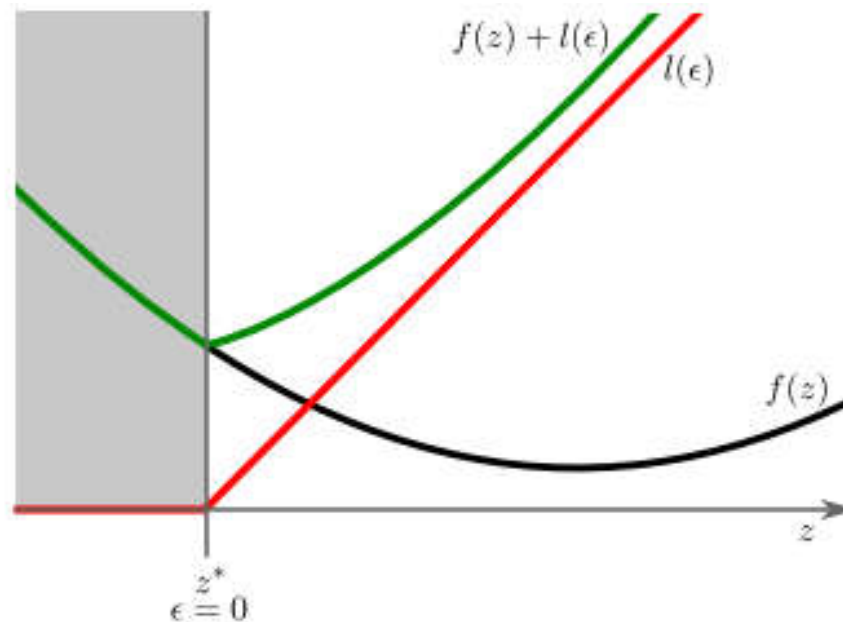


- Constraint function  $g(z) \triangleq z - z^* \leq 0$  induces feasible region (grey)  
 $\implies$  minimizer of the original problem is  $z^*$
- Quadratic penalty  $l(\epsilon) = v \cdot \epsilon^2$  for  $\epsilon \geq 0$   
 $\implies$  minimizer of  $f(z) + l(\epsilon)$  is  $(z^* + \epsilon^*, \epsilon^*)$  instead of  $(z^*, 0)$

# Soft Constraints



## Linear Penalty



- Constraint function  $g(z) \triangleq z - z^* \leq 0$  induces feasible region (grey)  
 $\implies$  minimizer of the original problem is  $z^*$
- **Linear penalty**  $l(\epsilon) = u \cdot \epsilon$  for  $\epsilon \geq 0$  with  $u$  chosen large enough so that  
 $u + \lim_{z \rightarrow z^*} f'(z) > 0$   
 $\implies$  minimizer of  $f(z) + l(\epsilon)$  is  $(z^*, 0)$

# Soft Constraints



## Comments

- **Disadvantage:**  $l(\epsilon) = u \cdot \epsilon$  renders the cost non-smooth.
- Therefore in practice, to get a smooth penalty, we use

$$l(\epsilon) = u \cdot \epsilon + v \cdot \epsilon^2$$

with  $u > u^*$  and  $v > 0$ .

- Extension to multiple constraints  $g_j(z) \leq 0$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, r$ :

$$l(\epsilon) = \sum_{j=1}^r u_j \cdot \epsilon_j + v_j \cdot \epsilon_j^2 \quad (1)$$

where  $u_j > u_j^*$  and  $v_j > 0$  can be used to weight violations (if necessary) differently.

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# Reference Tracking



## Tracking problem

Consider the linear system model

$$\begin{aligned}x_{k+1} &= Ax_k + Bu_k \\ y_k &= Cx_k\end{aligned}$$

Goal: Track given reference  $r$  such that  $y_k \rightarrow r$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

Determine the steady state target condition  $x_s, u_s$ :

$$\begin{aligned}x_s &= Ax_s + Bu_s \\ Cx_s &= r\end{aligned} \iff \begin{bmatrix} I - A & -B \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_s \\ u_s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ r \end{bmatrix}$$

# Reference Tracking



## Steady-state target problem

- In the presence of constraints:  $(x_s, u_s)$  has to satisfy state and input constraints.
- In case of multiple feasible  $u_s$ , compute 'cheapest' steady-state  $(x_s, u_s)$  corresponding to reference  $r$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & u_s^T R_s u_s \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \begin{bmatrix} I - A & -B \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_s \\ u_s \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ r \end{bmatrix} \\ & x_s \in \mathcal{X}, \quad u_s \in \mathcal{U}. \end{aligned}$$

- In general, we assume that the target problem is feasible
- If no solution exists: compute reachable set point that is 'closest' to  $r$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & (Cx_s - r)^T Q_s (Cx_s - r) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x_s = Ax_s + Bu_s \\ & x_s \in \mathcal{X}, \quad u_s \in \mathcal{U}. \end{aligned}$$

# Reference Tracking



## RHC Reference Tracking

We now use control (MPC) to bring the system to a desired steady-state condition  $(x_s, u_s)$  yielding the desired output  $y_k \rightarrow r$ .

The MPC is designed as follows <sup>1</sup>

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{u_0, \dots, u_{N-1}} \quad & \|y_N - Cx_s\|_P^2 + \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \|y_k - Cx_s\|_Q^2 + \|u_k - u_s\|_R^2 \\ \text{subj. to} \quad & \text{model} \\ & \text{constraints} \\ & x_0 = x(t). \end{aligned}$$

Drawback: controller will show **offset** in case of unknown model error or disturbances.

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## RHC Reference Tracking without Offset

Discrete-time, time-invariant system (possibly nonlinear, uncertain)

$$\begin{aligned}x_m(t+1) &= g(x_m(t), u(t)) \\ y_m(t) &= h(x_m(t))\end{aligned}$$

Objective:

- Design an RHC in order to make  $y(t)$  track the reference signal  $r(t)$ , i.e.,  $(y(t) - r(t)) \rightarrow 0$  for  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .
- In the rest of the section we study step references and focus on zero steady-state tracking error,  $y(t) \rightarrow r_\infty$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

Consider augmented model

$$\begin{aligned}x(t+1) &= Ax(t) + Bu(t) + B_d d(t) \\ d(t+1) &= d(t) \\ y(t) &= Cx(t) + C_d d(t)\end{aligned}$$

with constant disturbance  $d(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n_d}$ .

# Reference Tracking



## RHC Reference Tracking without Offset

State observer for augmented model

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}(t+1) \\ \hat{d}(t+1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A & B_d \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}(t) \\ \hat{d}(t) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} B \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u(t) \\ + \begin{bmatrix} L_x \\ L_d \end{bmatrix} (-y_m(t) + C\hat{x}(t) + C_d\hat{d}(t))$$

### Lemma

Suppose the observer is stable and the number of outputs  $p$  equals the dimension of the constant disturbance  $n_d$ . The observer steady state satisfies:

$$\begin{bmatrix} A - I & B \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}_\infty \\ u_\infty \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -B_d \hat{d}_\infty \\ y_{m,\infty} - C_d \hat{d}_\infty \end{bmatrix}.$$

where  $y_{m,\infty}$  and  $u_\infty$  are the steady state measured outputs and inputs.

$\Rightarrow$  The observer output  $C\hat{x}_\infty + C_d\hat{d}_\infty$  tracks the measured output  $y_{m,\infty}$  without offset.

# Reference Tracking



## RHC Reference Tracking without Offset

For offset-free tracking at steady state we want  $y_{m,\infty} = r_{\infty}$ . The observer condition

$$\begin{bmatrix} A - I & B \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}_{\infty} \\ u_{\infty} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -B_d \hat{d}_{\infty} \\ y_{m,\infty} - C_d \hat{d}_{\infty} \end{bmatrix}$$

suggests that at steady state the MPC should satisfy

$$\begin{bmatrix} A - I & B \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_{target,\infty} \\ u_{target,\infty} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -B_d \hat{d}_{\infty} \\ r_{\infty} - C_d \hat{d}_{\infty} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Reference Tracking



## RHC Reference Tracking without Offset

Formulate the RHC problem

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{U_0} \quad & \|x_N - \bar{x}_t\|_P^2 + \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \|x_k - \bar{x}_t\|_Q^2 + \|u_k - \bar{u}_t\|_R^2 \\ \text{subj. to} \quad & x_{k+1} = Ax_k + Bu_k + B_d d_k, & k = 0, \dots, N \\ & x_k \in \mathcal{X}, u_k \in \mathcal{U}, & k = 0, \dots, N-1 \\ & x_N \in \mathcal{X}_f \\ & d_{k+1} = d_k, & k = 0, \dots, N \\ & x_0 = \hat{x}(t) \\ & d_0 = \hat{d}(t), \end{aligned}$$

with the targets  $\bar{u}_t$  and  $\bar{x}_t$  given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} A - I & B \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x}_t \\ \bar{u}_t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -B_d \hat{d}(t) \\ r(t) - C_d \hat{d}(t) \end{bmatrix}$$



# Reference Tracking



## RHC Reference Tracking without Offset

Denote by  $c_0(\hat{x}(t), \hat{d}(t), r(t)) = u_0^*(\hat{x}(t), \hat{d}(t), r(t))$  the control law when the estimated state and disturbance are  $\hat{x}(t)$  and  $\hat{d}(t)$ , respectively.

### Theorem

Consider the case where the number of constant disturbances equals the number of (tracked) outputs  $n_d = p = r$ . Assume the RHC is recursively feasible and unconstrained for  $t \geq j$  with  $j \in \mathbb{N}^+$  and the closed-loop system

$$\begin{aligned}x(t+1) &= f(x(t), c_0(\hat{x}(t), \hat{d}(t), r(t))) \\ \hat{x}(t+1) &= (A + L_x C)\hat{x}(t) + (B_d + L_x C_d)\hat{d}(t) \\ &\quad + Bc_0(\hat{x}(t), \hat{d}(t), r(t)) - L_x y_m(t) \\ \hat{d}(t+1) &= L_d C\hat{x}(t) + (I + L_d C_d)\hat{d}(t) - L_d y_m(t)\end{aligned}$$

converges to  $\hat{x}_\infty$ ,  $\hat{d}_\infty$ ,  $y_{m,\infty}$ , i.e.,  $\hat{x}(t) \rightarrow \hat{x}_\infty$ ,  $\hat{d}(t) \rightarrow \hat{d}_\infty$ ,  $y_m(t) \rightarrow y_{m,\infty}$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

Then  $y_m(t) \rightarrow r_\infty$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .