

LECTURE 13, 4.18.23

$$=: J(x, t, \alpha(\cdot))$$

Recall: $v(x, t) := \inf_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} \left\{ \int_t^T \ell(y(s), \alpha(s)) ds + g(y(T)) \right\}$
 value function

$$(S) \begin{cases} \dot{y} = f(y, \alpha), & s > t \\ y(t) = x \end{cases} \quad \alpha: [0, T] \rightarrow A \text{ measurable}$$

$$(H) \quad H(p, x) := \max_{\alpha \in A} \{ -f(x, \alpha) \cdot p - \ell(x, \alpha) \}$$

Theorem. Under the standing assumptions, v is the UNIQUE viscosity solution in $B \cup C(\bar{\Omega})$, $\Omega = \mathbb{R}^n \times]0, T[$ of the TERMINAL VALUE PROBLEM

$$(CT) \begin{cases} -u_t + H(D_x u, x) = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \\ u(x, T) = g(x) & \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n \end{cases}$$

Proof: PART 1: v solves (CT): DONE.

PART 2: UNIQUENESS: $w(x, t) := u(x, T-t)$

$$\Rightarrow w(x, 0) = u(x, T) = g(x), \quad w_t = -u_t, \quad D_x w = D_x u$$

"Then" w solves

$$(CI) \begin{cases} w_t + H(D_x w, x) = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \\ w(x, 0) = g(x) \end{cases}$$

HW: check that w solves (CI) in visco. sense.

same HW shows that any other sol. of (CT) \rightarrow a soln. of (CI) by $t \mapsto T-t$.

\Rightarrow UNIQUENESS for (CT) is EQUIVALENT to uniqueness for (CI): Gen apply a known COMPARISON THM.:

I'll use Comp. Princ. #2. ASS. are (RH) & (Lip H)

for (H). Recall ass. on. data: A compact

$$\boxed{|f| \leq M}, |f(x, a) - f(z, a)| \leq L|x - z| \quad \forall x, z, a$$

$$|l| \leq d, |l(x, a) - l(z, a)| \leq d|x - z|$$

Goal 1: check (RH): \exists ω modulus:

$$|H(p, x) - H(p, y)| \leq \omega(|x - y|(1 + |p|))$$

$$H(p, x) - H(p, y) \leq \underbrace{-f(x, \bar{a}) \cdot p - l(x, \bar{a}) + f(y, \bar{a}) \cdot p + l(y, \bar{a})}_{\exists \bar{a}: H(p, x) = -f(x, \bar{a}) \cdot p - l(x, \bar{a})} \leq$$

$$\leq |p| |f(x, \bar{a}) - f(y, \bar{a})| + d|x - y| \leq |p|L|x - y| + d|x - y|$$

$$\leq \underbrace{\max\{L, d\}}_{L'} |x - y|(1 + |p|) \quad \text{choose } \omega(r) = L'r \Rightarrow$$

$$H(p, x) - H(p, y) \leq \omega(|x - y|(1 + |p|)) \quad \text{excludes cases of } x \neq y$$

$$\Rightarrow | \quad | \leq \quad \square \quad \text{Goal 1}$$

Goal 2: (Lip H): $\exists c \in \mathbb{R}: |H(p, x) - H(q, x)| \leq c|p - q|$

$$H(p, x) - H(q, x) \leq -f(x, \bar{a})p - l(x, \bar{a}) + f(x, \bar{a})q + l(x, \bar{a})$$

same \bar{a} as above

$$\leq |f(x, \bar{a})| |p - q| \leq M |p - q| \quad \text{Exclude } x \neq y$$

$$\Rightarrow |H(p, x) - H(q, x)| \leq \eta |p - q| \quad \text{Lip. Cond 2,}$$

Conclusion: Comparison for (CI) \Rightarrow UNIQUENESS for (CT) in $BOC(\bar{x})$.

VERIFICATION THM. & SYNTHESIS of OPTIMAL FEEDBACK control.

So far

$$\begin{cases} \dot{y} = f(y, u) \\ y(0) = x \end{cases} \quad \alpha: [0, T] \rightarrow A \text{ meas. } \subseteq \text{ OPEN LOOP}$$

CLOSED LOOP or FEEDBACK controls:

Def. $\Phi: \mathbb{R}^n \times [0, T] \rightarrow A$ s.t.

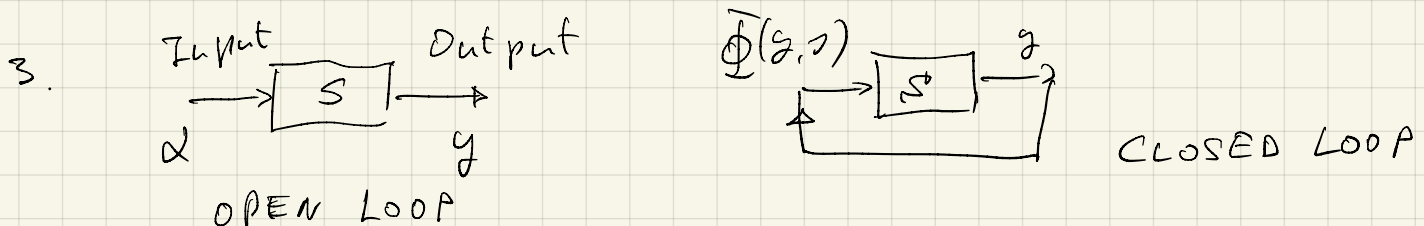
$$\begin{cases} \dot{y}(s) = f(y(s), \Phi(y(s), s)) \quad s > t \\ y(t) = x \end{cases} \text{ has a unique sol. } \forall t, x \in \text{s.t.}$$

$s \mapsto \Phi(y(s), s) =: \alpha_{\Phi}(s) \in A$ is measurable. is called

an ADMISSIBLE FEEDBACK control.

Note 1. we can compute $J(x, t, \alpha_{\Phi}(\cdot))$

2. If $f: \mathbb{R}^n \times A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is Lip in (x, a) , then any $\Phi: \mathbb{R}^n \times [0, T] \rightarrow A$ Lip. is admissible.



VERIFICATION THM. for OPT. CONTROL.

here we don't need A compact, nor the usual ass. of f, g, l : it's enough they are cont. & $\forall \alpha \in \mathcal{A} \exists!$ traj. of (S) $y_x(\cdot; t, \alpha)$.

Pre-Hamiltonian: $\mathcal{H} := f(x, \alpha) \cdot p + l(x, \alpha)$

$$H(p, x) = -\inf_{\alpha} \mathcal{H}(p, x, \alpha) \quad \mathcal{H} \geq -H \quad \forall \alpha.$$

Thm.: Let $w \in C^1$ sol. (for $t_0 \geq 0$) of

$$(CT) \quad \begin{cases} w_t + \inf_{\alpha} \mathcal{H}(D_x w, x, \alpha) = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}^n \times]t_0, T[\\ w(T, x) = g(x). \end{cases}$$

Then $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad \forall t_0 < t < T$:

$$(i) \quad \forall \alpha \in \mathcal{A}, \quad g(s) = g_x(s; t, \alpha)$$

$$s \mapsto w(g(s), s) + \int_t^s l(g(\tau), \alpha(\tau)) d\tau \quad \text{is INCREASING}$$

$$(ii) \quad w(x, t) \leq v(x, t) = \inf_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} J(x, t, \alpha)$$

(iii) if α^* with traj y^* is s.t. $\forall s \in [t_0, T]$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}(D_x w(y^*(s), s), y^*(s), \alpha^*(s)) & \stackrel{(HSP)}{=} \inf_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} \mathcal{H}(D_x w(y^*(s), s), y^*(s), \alpha) \\ & = -H(D_x w(y^*(s), s), y^*(s)) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \alpha^*$ is OPTIMAL, i.e., $J(x, t, \alpha^*(\cdot)) = v(x, t)$

$$\neq w(x, t) = v(x, t).$$

Pf. Just for $l=0$ (HW: general case)

(i) $\varphi(s) = w(y(s), s)$. Goal $\dot{\varphi} \geq 0$ a.e. s

$$\dot{\varphi}(s) = w_f(y(s), s) + \underbrace{D_x w(y(s), s) \cdot \dot{y}(s)}_{f(y(s), \alpha(s))} \quad \text{a.e. } s.$$

$$H(D_x w(y(s), s), y(s), \alpha(s))$$

(In)

$$\begin{aligned} & \geq w_f(y(s), s) - H(D_x w(y(s), s), y(s)) = 0 \quad \forall \alpha \\ & = \text{if (Hyp) holds.} \quad \square \quad (i) \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Goal: $w(x, t) \leq g(y_x(T; t, \alpha)) \quad \forall \alpha \in \mathcal{Q}$.

$$(i) \Rightarrow w(x, t) \leq w(y(T), T) = g(y(T)) \quad \forall x$$

\uparrow by terminal cond. of w \square (ii)

(iii) If (Hyp) holds $\Rightarrow \dot{\varphi}(s) = 0$ a.e. s .

$$\exists \alpha^*, \dots, y^* \quad \frac{d}{ds} w(y^*(s), s)$$

$$\Rightarrow w(x, t) = w(y^*(T), T) = g(y^*(T))$$

$$\Rightarrow w(x, t) = v(x, t) = J(x, t, \alpha^*) \quad \& \alpha^* \text{ is OPTIMAL.}$$

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SYNTHESIS of OPTIMAL FEEDBACKS.

(a) Find a C' sol. of w of (CT) in $\Omega = \mathbb{R}^n \times]t_0, T[$.

(b) Look for a feedback $\Phi: \Omega \rightarrow A$:

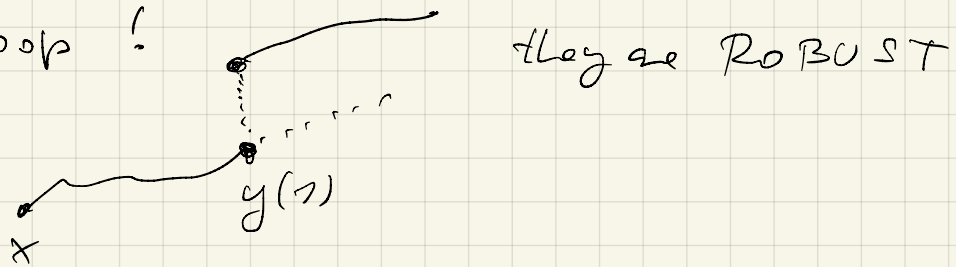
$\Phi(y, s) \in \underset{a}{\text{argmin}} \mathcal{H}(D_x w(y, s), y, v)$ & ADMISSIBLE.

(c) then, by Verif. thm., if $y^*(s)$ solves

$$\begin{cases} \dot{y}^*(s) = f(y^*(s), \underbrace{\Phi(y^*(s), s)}_{\alpha^*}) & s > t \\ y^*(t) = x \end{cases}$$

then α^*, y^* is OPTIMAL!

Remark FEEDBACK controls have BETTER properties than open loop!



BAD NEWS



In general $\exists w \in C'$ solving (CT),

& argmin $\notin C$

We will see : LINEAR - QUADRATIC problems are s.t. $\exists w \in C'$ sol of (CT).

We will not see : If vis visco sol. of (CT), not C' , one can approximate (CT) & find approximate feedback ε -optimal (see e.g. chap. VI of [BCD]).

LINEAR - QUADRATIC REGULATOR.

Ref • Fleming - Rishel

- J. ENGWERDA : L-Q dyn. optim. & diff. games 2005.

The system is Linear: $f(x, a) = Ax + Ba$

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$$

$$(S) \quad \begin{cases} \dot{y} = Ay + Ba & \forall t \\ y(t) = x & \end{cases} \quad y, x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Admissible controls: $a \in L^1_{loc}([0, T], \mathbb{R}^m)$ s.t. \exists unique sol.

$$f(S), \text{ i.e. } y(s) = x + \int_t^s [Ay(\tau) + Ba(\tau)] d\tau$$

The cost functional is quadratic:

$$(JQ) \quad J(x, t, a(\cdot)) := \int_t^T [y(s)^T M y(s) + a(s)^T R a(s)] ds + y(T)^T Q y(T)$$

$$M, Q \in \text{Sym}(n)$$

Ip. 1: $R > 0$ posit. def. matrix.

$$R \in \text{Sym}(m)$$

$$\left(\Rightarrow a^T R a \geq \underset{\min}{d} R |a|^2 \rightarrow +\infty \text{ as } |a| \rightarrow \infty \right)$$

$\underset{\min}{d} R > 0$

The HJB equation is: $-H = \inf_a \{ f \cdot P + \ell \}$

$$w_t + D_x w \cdot Ax + x^T M x + \underbrace{\inf_{a \in \mathbb{R}^m} \{ D_x w \cdot Ba + a^T R a \}}_{=: \tilde{H}} = 0$$

$$\tilde{H}(p, a) := p \cdot Ba + a^T R a = (Ba)^T p + a^T R a = a^T B^T p + a^T R a$$

$$\tilde{H} \rightarrow +\infty \text{ as } |a| \rightarrow \infty \quad \forall p \Rightarrow \exists \min_{a \in \mathbb{R}^m} \tilde{H}$$

Compute $D_a \tilde{H} : D_a a^T B^T p : \frac{\partial}{\partial a_i} \sum_{i,k} a_i b_{ki} p_k = \sum_k b_{ki} p_k = (B^T p)_i$

$$\Rightarrow D_a (a^T B^T p) = B^T p$$

$$D_a \tilde{H}(p, a) = B^T p + 2Ra \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \Leftrightarrow a = -\frac{R^{-1} B^T p}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \arg \min_a \tilde{H}(p, a) = \left\{ -\frac{R^{-1} B^T p}{2} \right\} = \{ \hat{a} \}$$

$$\min_a \tilde{H}(p, a) = \hat{a}^T B^T p + \hat{a}^T R \hat{a} = -\frac{1}{2} p^T \underbrace{B R^{-1} B^T}_S p + \frac{1}{4} p^T \underbrace{B R^{-1} R R^{-1} B^T}_S p$$

$$S = B R^{-1} B^T = -\frac{p^T S p}{2} + \frac{p^T S p}{4} = -\frac{p^T S p}{4}$$

$$(CT) \begin{cases} w_t + D_x w \cdot Ax + x^T M x - \frac{1}{4} (D_x w)^T S D_x w = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}^n \times (t_0, T) \\ w(x, T) = x^T Q x \end{cases}$$

Look for $w \in C^1$ sol. of (CT) in (t_0, T) for the Ven'f. Then,

ANSATZ (EDUCATED GUESS) $w(x, t) = x^T K(t) x$

$$K(t) \in \text{Sym}(n), K \in C^1, K(T) = Q$$

$$w_t = x^T \dot{K} x, D_x w = 2Kx$$

$$x^T \dot{K} x + 2x^T \underbrace{A^T K + K^T A}_2 x + x^T M x - x^T K S K x = 0$$

$$x^T (\dot{K} + A^T K + K^T A + M - K S K) x = 0 \quad \forall x \quad (\Leftrightarrow)$$

$$(RT) \begin{cases} \dot{K} = K S K - A^T K - K^T A - M \\ K(T) = Q \end{cases} \quad \text{RICCATI MATRIX ODE}$$