

# Singular Perturbed Problems and Julia Package in Optimal Control

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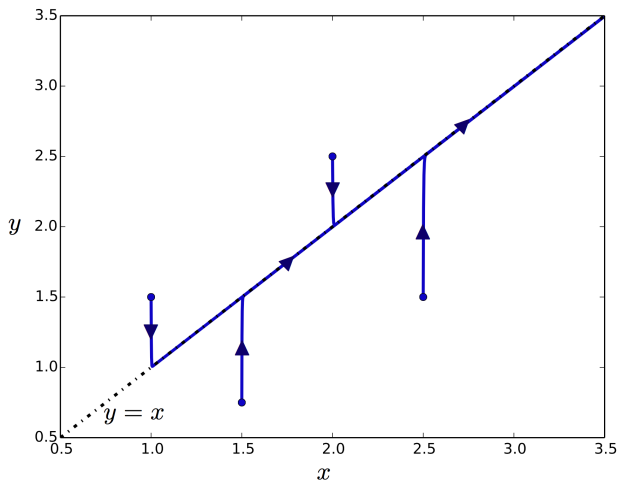
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- Problem of interest:

$$(P_\varepsilon) \begin{cases} \min \int_0^1 f^0(x(t), y(t), u(t)) dt \\ \dot{x}(t) = f(x(t), y(t), u(t)), & x(t) \in \mathbb{R}^n, & x(0), x(1) \text{ given} \\ \varepsilon \dot{y}(t) = g(x(t), y(t), u(t)), & y(t) \in \mathbb{R}^m, & y(0), y(1) \text{ given} \end{cases}$$

where  $x$ ,  $y$  are resp. **slow** and **fast** variables since  $\varepsilon > 0$  is supposed to be **small** and where  $u(t) \in \mathbb{R}^k$ .

- Setting  $\varepsilon = 0$ , we define the *zero order reduced problem*:

$$(P_0) \begin{cases} \min \int_0^1 f^0(\bar{x}(t), \bar{y}(t), \bar{u}(t)) dt \\ \dot{\bar{x}}(t) = f(\bar{x}(t), \bar{y}(t), \bar{u}(t)), & \bar{x}(0) = x(0), & \bar{x}(1) = x(1), \\ 0 = g(\bar{x}(t), \bar{y}(t), \bar{u}(t)). \end{cases}$$

- Roughly speaking and under suitable assumptions the main result is:

$x_\varepsilon(t) \rightarrow \bar{x}(t)$  on  $[0, 1]$  and  $y_\varepsilon(t) \rightarrow \bar{y}(t)$  on every  $[a, b] \subset (0, 1)$ , when  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ .

- We'll first introduce the **turnpike framework** and show the link with **singularly perturbed optimal control problems**;
- Then we'll combine the ideas developed in both approaches (turnpike property: see Trélat and Zuazua [4] and singular perturbation theory: see Khalil [2]) **and propose a path following approach to provide a more efficient numerical resolution method**;
- Finally we'll present **the implementation in Julia** and some **numerical results**.

- Let's consider the optimal control problem

$$(OCP_{t_f}) \begin{cases} \min \int_0^{t_f} f^0(y(t), u(t)) dt, & t_f > 0 \text{ large enough} \\ \dot{y}(t) = f(y(t), u(t)), & y(t) \in \mathbb{R}^m, \quad u(t) \in \mathbb{R}^k, \\ y(0) = y_0, & y(t_f) = y_f. \end{cases}$$

- The associated reduced problem (or **static** optimal control problem) is

$$(SOCP_{t_f}) \quad \min_{(y,u) \in \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^k} f^0(y, u) \quad \text{s.t.} \quad f(y, u) = 0.$$

**Turnpike property** (Trélat and Zuazua [4]): under suitable assumptions, the optimal solution  $(y_{t_f}(\cdot), u_{t_f}(\cdot))$  of  $(OCP)_{t_f}$  remains most of the time **close to the static solution**  $(\bar{y}, \bar{u})$ , i.e there exists positive constants  $C_1, C_2$  such that

$$\|y_{t_f}(t) - \bar{y}\| + \|u_{t_f}(t) - \bar{u}\| \leq C_1 \left( e^{-C_2 t} + e^{-C_2(t_f-t)} \right) \quad (1)$$

for every  $t \in [0, t_f]$ .

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \min \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{t_f} [(y_1(t) - 1)^2 + (y_2(t) - 1)^2 + (u(t) - 2)^2] dt, \quad t_f = 20, \\ \dot{y}_1(t) = y_2(t), \quad (y_1(0), y_1(t_f)) = (1, 3) \\ \dot{y}_2(t) = 1 - y_1(t) + y_2^3(t) + u(t), \quad (y_2(0), y_2(t_f)) = (1, 0) \end{array} \right.$$

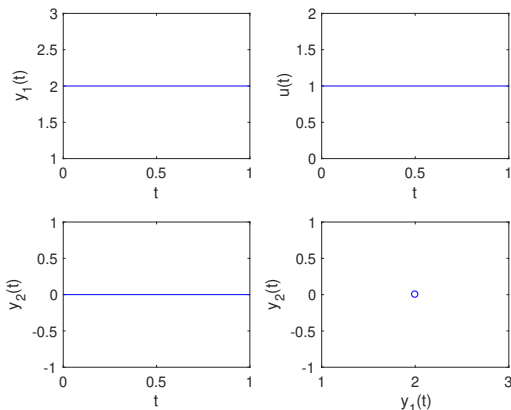


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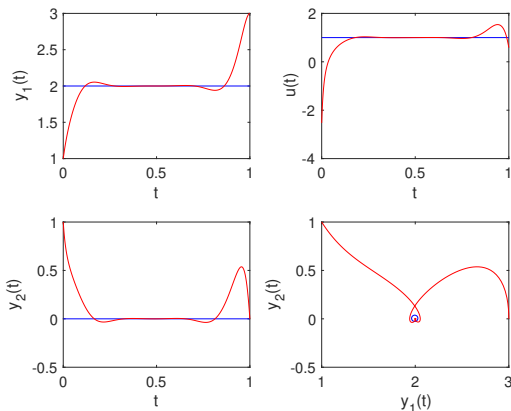


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- Setting  $\tau = \varepsilon t$  with  $\varepsilon = 1/t_f$ ,  $(OCP)_{t_f}$  becomes

$$(OCP_\varepsilon) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \min t_f \int_0^1 f^0(y(\tau), u(\tau)) d\tau, \\ \dot{y}(\tau) = f(y(\tau), u(\tau)) t_f \iff \varepsilon \dot{y}(\tau) = f(y(\tau), u(\tau)) \\ y(0) = y_0, \quad y(1) = y_f. \end{array} \right.$$

- Thus: Turnpike control problems  $\Leftrightarrow$  singular perturbation control problems with only fast variables.



Resolution of Optimal Control Problems by indirect method

**Définition 1 – Pseudo-Hamiltonian**

The pseudo-Hamiltonian is the function

$$H: \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^k \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$
$$(y, q, u) \longmapsto H(y, q, u) = -f^0(y, u) + \langle q, f(y, u) \rangle,$$

where  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is the dot product.

**Theorem 2 – Pontryagin's Maximum Principle**

Under classical assumptions, if  $(y, u)$  is a solution of  $(OCP_\varepsilon)$ , then there exists an absolute continuous function called co-state  $q$  such that we have

- the co-state equation

$$\varepsilon \dot{q}(\tau) = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial y}(y(\tau), q(\tau), u(\tau)) \quad (2)$$

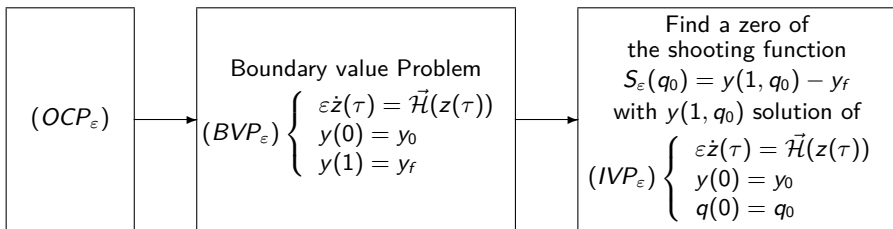
- The maximization of the pseudo-Hamiltonian

$$u(\tau) = \arg \max_{v \in \mathbb{R}^k} H(y(\tau), q(\tau), v)$$

- We suppose that the maximization of the pseudo-Hamiltonian can be analytically solved  $u(y(\tau), q(\tau))$
- We call **true Hamiltonian** the function  $\mathcal{H}(z) = \mathcal{H}(y, q) = H(y, q, u(y, q))$
- We note also

$$\vec{\mathcal{H}}(z) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial q}(y, q) \\ -\frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial y}(y, q) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\varepsilon \dot{z}(\tau) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial H}{\partial q}(y(\tau), q(\tau), u(\tau)) \\ -\frac{\partial H}{\partial y}(y(\tau), q(\tau), u(\tau)) \end{pmatrix} = \vec{\mathcal{H}}(z(\tau))$$



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- **Methodology:**
  - **Step 1: Resolution of the KKT** conditions of the static problem;
  - **Step 2: Continuation on the boundary conditions** for sufficiently large  $\varepsilon$  ;
  - **Step 3: Continuation on  $\varepsilon$ .**

- We define the shooting homotopic function by

$$S : \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{2m}$$

$$(q_0, q_1, \lambda) \mapsto S(q_0, q_1, \lambda) = z(0.5, 0., z_0) - z(0.5, 1., z_1)$$

where  $z(0.5, 0., z_0)$  and  $z(0.5, 1., z_1)$  are the solutions at  $\tau = 0.5$  of

$$(IVP_{\varepsilon, \lambda, 0}) \begin{cases} \varepsilon \dot{z}(\tau) = \vec{\mathcal{H}}(z(\tau)) \\ z(0) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda y_0 + (1 - \lambda) \bar{y} \\ q_0 \end{pmatrix} \end{cases} \quad (IVP_{\varepsilon, \lambda, 1}) \begin{cases} \varepsilon \dot{z}(\tau) = \vec{\mathcal{H}}(z(\tau)) \\ z(1) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda y_f + (1 - \lambda) \bar{y} \\ q_1 \end{pmatrix} \end{cases}.$$

### Remarque 1.

- For  $\lambda = 0$  the solution is the solution of the static problem  $SOCP_{t_f} : (y(\tau), q(\tau)) = (\bar{y}, \bar{q})$  ( $\bar{q}$  is the Lagrange multiplier).
- For  $\lambda = 1$  the solution is the solution of the  $(BVP_{\varepsilon})$ .

Now, we have to compute the path of zeros of  $S(q_0, q_1, \lambda) = 0$



How to compute the path of zeros of a homotopy function

$$\begin{aligned} F: \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R} &\longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \\ (x, \lambda) &\longmapsto F(x, \lambda) \end{aligned}$$

## Theorem 3

Under the assumptions

i) For all  $(x, \lambda) \in F^{-1}(0)$ ,  $\text{rank}(F'(x, \lambda)) = n$

ii) For all  $(x, 0) \in F^{-1}(0)$ ,  $\text{rank}(\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}(x, 0)) = n$  and for all  $(x, 1) \in F^{-1}(0)$ ,  $\text{rank}(\frac{\partial F}{\partial x}(x, 1)) = n$

$F^{-1}(0)$  is a set of curves (a manifold of dimension 1)

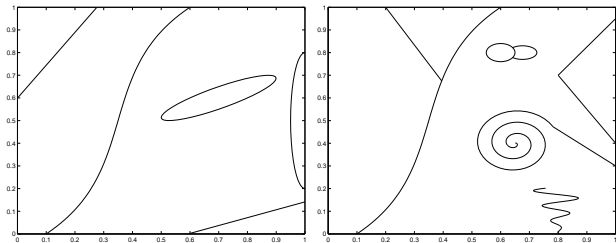


Figure 2:  $F^{-1}(0)$ , possible path (left) and impossible (right) ( $z$  is in  $x$ -axis and  $\lambda$  in  $y$ -axis).

**Theorem 4**

If  $c(s) = (x(s), \lambda(s))$  is a smooth curve parametrized by the arc length such that

- i)  $c(0) = (x_0, 0)$
- ii)  $F(c(s)) = 0$
- iii)  $\text{rank}(F'(c(s))) = n$
- iv)  $\dot{c}(s) \neq 0$

then the tangent vector  $\dot{c}(s) = T(c(s))$  is defined by

- i)  $F'(c(s))\dot{c}(s) = 0$
- ii)  $|\dot{c}(s)|=1$
- iii)  $\text{sign det} \begin{pmatrix} F'(c(s)) \\ \dot{c}(s)^T \end{pmatrix} > 0$

The smooth curve can be computed by integration of the Initial Value Problem

$$(IVP) \begin{cases} \dot{c}(s) = T(c(s)) \\ c(0) = (x_0, 0). \end{cases}$$

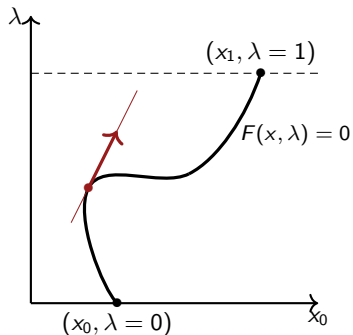
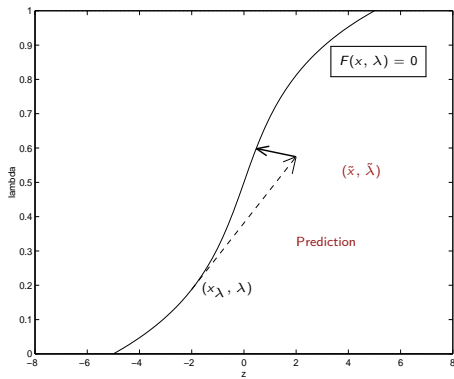


Figure 3: Illustration of the homotopy  $F(x, \lambda) = 0$

- Prediction: Euler step

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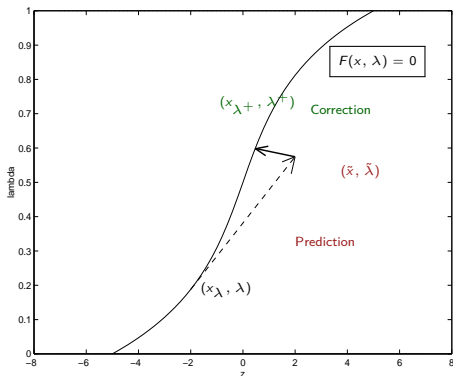


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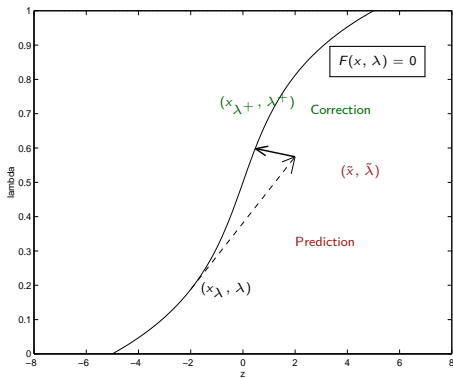
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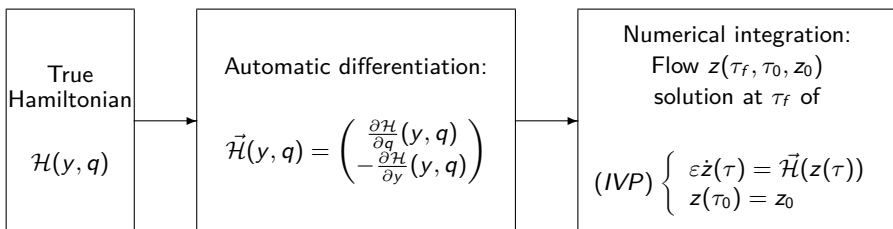
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- until  $\lambda = 1$ .





<https://ct.gitlabpages.inria.fr/gallery/homotopy-julia/FGS.html> ou  
<http://localhost:8888/lab>



The following diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 (IVP) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \varepsilon \dot{z}(\tau) = \vec{\mathcal{H}}(z(\tau)) \\ z(0) = z_0 \end{array} \right. & \xrightarrow{\text{Numerical integration}} & \text{Flow of the (IVP)} \\
 & & z(t_f, z_0) \\
 \text{Automatic} \downarrow \text{Differentiation} & & \text{Automatic} \downarrow \text{differentiation} \\
 (VAR) \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \varepsilon \dot{z}(\tau) = \vec{\mathcal{H}}(z(\tau)) \\ \dot{\delta z}(t) = \frac{\partial \vec{\mathcal{H}}}{\partial z}(z(t)) \delta z(t) \\ z(0) = z_0 \\ \delta z(0) = I \end{array} \right. & \xrightarrow{\text{Numerical integration}} & \delta z(t_f) = \frac{\partial z}{\partial z_0}(t_f, z_0)
 \end{array}$$

**commutes** if we use Runge-Kutta algorithm with variable steps in the case where **the step control is only on the  $z$  variable** (not on the  $\delta z$  for the (VAR) equations)

- What does exactly the ForwardDiff package on the flow in **JULIA**?
- How can we implement in **JULIA** the control on the  $z$  variable only for the numerical integration of the variationnnal equation?

- Thanks to Homotopy method to obtain the numerical solutions.
- Generalization to singularly perturbed optimal control problems

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- Implementation of multiple shooting for solving
  - Optimal control problems with Bang-Bang solution
  - Optimal control problems with singular arcs
- Used a stiff integrator to compute the shooting function
- Numerical comparisons with codes for solving stiff Boundary Value Problem : COLNEW from U. Ascher and al., HAGRON from J. R. Cash and M. H. Wright
- Comparison with direct methods

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