

# Model Predictive Control of Hybrid Systems

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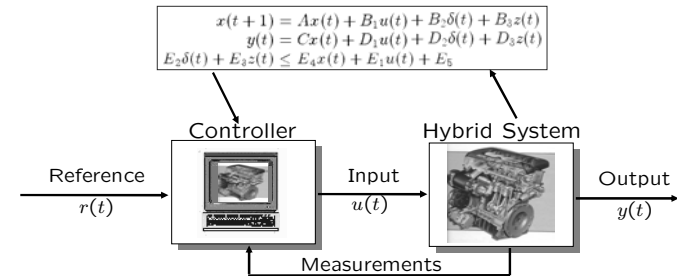
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## Model Predictive Control of Hybrid Systems



- MODEL: a model of the plant is needed to predict the future behavior of the plant
- PREDICTIVE: optimization is based on the predicted future evolution of the plant
- CONTROL: control complex constrained multivariable plants

## Receding Horizon Philosophy

- At time  $t$ :

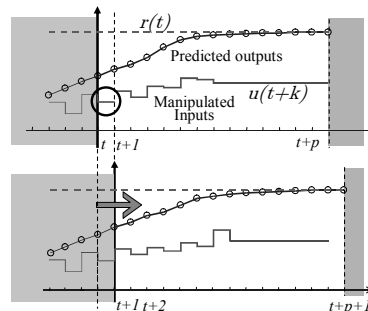
Solve an optimal control problem over a finite future horizon  $p$ :

- minimize  $|y - r| + \rho|u|$

- subject to constraints

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

$$y_{min} \leq y \leq y_{max}$$



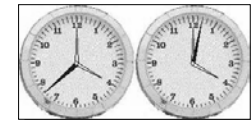
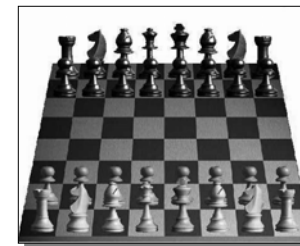
- Only apply the first optimal move  $u^*(t)$

- Get new measurements, and repeat the optimization at time  $t+1$

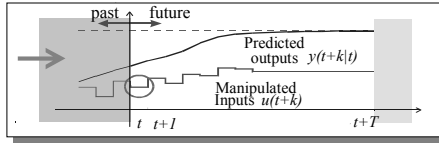
Advantage of on-line optimization: **FEEDBACK!**

## Receding Horizon - Example

MPC is like playing chess !



## MPC for Hybrid Systems



Model  
Predictive (MPC)  
Control

- At time  $t$  solve with respect to  $U \triangleq \{u(t), u(t+1), \dots, u(t+T-1)\}$  the finite-horizon open-loop, optimal control problem:

$$\min_{u(t), \dots, u(t+T-1)} \sum_{k=0}^{T-1} \|y(t+k|t) - r(t)\| + \rho \|u(t+k)\| + \sigma (\|\delta(t+k) - \delta_r\| + \|z(t+k) - z_r\| + \|x(t+k|t) - x_r\|)$$

subject to MLD model

$$x(t|t) = x(t)$$

$$x(t+T|t) = x_r$$

- Apply only  $u(t) = u^*(t)$  (discard the remaining optimal inputs)
- Repeat the whole optimization at time  $t+1$

## Closed-Loop Stability

**Theorem 1** Let  $(x_r, u_r, \delta_r, z_r)$  be the equilibrium values corresponding to the set point  $r$ , and assume  $x(0)$  is such that the MPC problem is feasible at time  $t = 0$ . Then  $\forall Q, R > 0, \forall \sigma > 0$ , the MPC controller stabilizes the MLD system

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} y(t) = r$$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} u(t) = u_r$$

$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} x(t) = x_r, \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \delta(t) = \delta_r, \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} z(t) = z_r$ , and all constraints are fulfilled.

(Bemporad, Morari 1999)

Proof: Easily follows from standard Lyapunov arguments

## Stability Proof

- Assume we set the terminal constraint  $x(t+T|t) = x_r$  in the optimal control problem
- Let  $U_t^*$  denote the optimal control sequence  $\{u_t^*(0), \dots, u_t^*(T-1)\}$
- Let  $V(t) \triangleq J(U_t^*, x(t)) = \text{value function} \implies \text{Lyapunov function}$
- By construction,  $U_1 = \{u_1^*(1), \dots, u_1^*(T-1), u_r\}$  is feasible @  $t+1$
- Hence,

$$V(t+1) \leq J(U_1, x(t+1)) = V(t) - \|y(t) - r\|_Q - \|u(t) - u_r\|_R - \sigma (\|\delta(t) - \delta_r\| + \|z(t) - z_r\| + \|x(t) - x_r\|)$$

- Hence  $V(t)$  is decreasing and lower-bounded by 0  $\Rightarrow \exists V_\infty = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} V(t) \Rightarrow V(t+1) - V(t) \rightarrow 0$
- Hence,  $\|y(t) - r\|_Q \rightarrow 0, \|u(t) - u_r\|_R \rightarrow 0, \dots, \|x(t) - x_r\| \rightarrow 0$

**Note: Global optimum not needed for convergence !**

## Hybrid MPC - Example

Switching System:

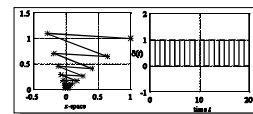
$$x(t+1) = 0.8 \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha(t) & -\sin \alpha(t) \\ \sin \alpha(t) & \cos \alpha(t) \end{bmatrix} x(t) + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u(t)$$

$$y(t) = [0 \quad 1] x(t)$$

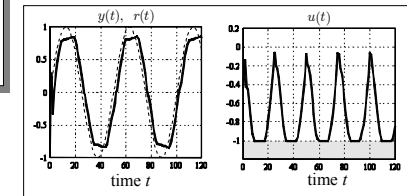
$$\alpha(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{\pi}{2} & \text{if } [1 \ 0] x(t) \geq 0 \\ -\frac{\pi}{2} & \text{if } [1 \ 0] x(t) < 0 \end{cases}$$

Constraint:  $-1 \leq u(t) \leq 1$

Open loop:



Closed loop:



# Optimal Control of Hybrid Systems: Computational Aspects

## MIQP Formulation of MPC

(Bemporad, Morari, 1999)

$$\min_{\xi} J(\xi, x(0)) = \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} y'(t)Qy(t) + u'(t)Ru(t)$$

$$\text{subject to } \begin{cases} x(t+1) = Ax(t) + B_1u(t) + B_2\delta(t) + B_3z(t) + B_5 \\ y(t) = Cx(t) + D_1u(t) + D_2\delta(t) + D_3z(t) + D_5 \\ E_2\delta(t) + E_3z(t) \leq E_4x(t) + E_1u(t) + E_5 \end{cases}$$

$$\xi = [u(0), \dots, u(T-1), \delta(0), \dots, \delta(T-1), z(0), \dots, z(T-1)]'$$

$$\min_{\xi} \frac{1}{2} \xi' H \xi + x(0)' F \xi + \frac{1}{2} x'(0) Y x(0)$$

$$\text{subj. to } G\xi \leq W + Sx(t)$$

Mixed Integer Quadratic Program (MIQP)

$$u \in \mathbb{R}^{n_u}, \delta \in \{0, 1\}^{n_\delta}, z \in \mathbb{R}^{n_z} \Rightarrow \xi \in \mathbb{R}^{(n_u+n_z)T} \times \{0, 1\}^{n_\delta T}$$

## MILP Formulation of MPC

(Bemporad, Borrelli, Morari, 2000)

$$\min_{\xi} J(\xi, x(0)) = \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \|y(t)\|_{\infty} + \|Ru(t)\|_{\infty}$$

subject to MLD model

• Introduce slack variables:  $\min |x| \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \min \epsilon \\ \text{s.t. } \epsilon \geq x \\ \epsilon \geq -x \end{cases}$

$$\begin{cases} \epsilon_k^x \geq \|Qy(t+k)\|_{\infty} \\ \epsilon_k^u \geq \|Ru(t+k)\|_{\infty} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \epsilon_k^x \geq [Qy(t+k)]_i & i = 1, \dots, p, k = 1, \dots, T-1 \\ \epsilon_k^x \geq -[Qy(t+k)]_i & i = 1, \dots, p, k = 1, \dots, T-1 \\ \epsilon_k^u \geq [Ru(t+k)]_i & i = 1, \dots, m, k = 0, \dots, T-1 \\ \epsilon_k^u \geq -[Ru(t+k)]_i & i = 1, \dots, m, k = 0, \dots, T-1 \end{cases}$$

• Set  $\xi \triangleq [\epsilon_1^x, \dots, \epsilon_{N_y}^x, \epsilon_1^u, \dots, \epsilon_{T-1}^u, U, \delta, z]$

Mixed Integer Linear Program (MILP)

$$\min_{\xi} J(\xi, x(t)) = \sum_{k=0}^{T-1} \epsilon_k^x + \epsilon_k^u$$

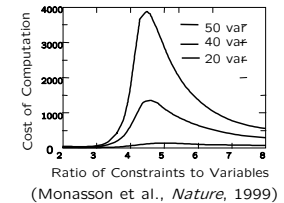
$$\text{s.t. } G\xi \leq W + Sx(t)$$

## Mixed-Integer Program Solvers

- Mixed-Integer Programming is NP-hard

Phase transitions have been found in computationally hard problems.

BUT



- General purpose Branch & Bound/Branch & Cut solvers available for MILP and MIQP (CPLEX, Xpress-MP, BARON, GLPK, ...)
- More solvers and benchmarks: <http://plato.la.asu.edu/bench.html>

- No need to reach global optimum (see proof of the theorem), although performance deteriorates

Good for large sampling times (e.g., 1 h) / expensive hardware ...

... but not for fast sampling (e.g. 10 ms) / cheap hardware !

# Explicit Form of Model Predictive Control via Multiparametric Programming

## On-Line vs. Off-Line Optimization

$$\min_{\xi} J(U, \bar{x}(t)) \triangleq \sum_{k=0}^{T-1} \|Qy(t+k+1|t)\|_{\infty} + \|Ru(t+k)\|_{\infty}$$

subj. to  $\begin{cases} \text{MLD model} \\ x(t|t) = \bar{x}(t) \\ x(t+T|t) = 0 \end{cases}$

- On-line optimization: given  $x(t)$ , solve the problem at each time step  $t$

Mixed-Integer Linear Program (MILP)

- Off-line optimization: solve the MILP **for all**  $x(t)$

$$\min_{\xi} J(\xi, \bar{x}(t)) \triangleq f' \xi$$

s.t.  $G\xi \leq W + F\bar{x}(t)$

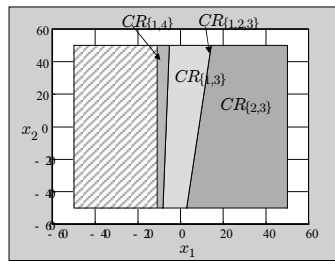
multi-parametric Mixed Integer Linear Program (mp-MILP)

## Example of Multiparametric Solution

Multiparametric LP ( $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^2$ )

$$\min_{\xi} -3\xi_1 - 8\xi_2$$

s.t.  $\begin{cases} \xi_1 + \xi_2 \leq 13 + x_1 \\ 5\xi_1 - 4\xi_2 \leq 20 \\ -8\xi_1 + 22\xi_2 \leq 121 + x_2 \\ -4\xi_1 - \xi_2 \leq -8 \\ -\xi_1 \leq 0 \\ -\xi_2 \leq 0 \end{cases}$



$$\xi(x) = \begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} 0.00 & 0.05 \\ 0 & 0.05 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 11.88 \\ 9.80 \end{bmatrix} & \text{if } \begin{bmatrix} 0.02 & 0.00 \\ 0.00 & 0.02 \\ 0.00 & -0.02 \\ -0.12 & 0.01 \end{bmatrix} x \leq \begin{bmatrix} 1.00 \\ 1.00 \\ 1.00 \\ -1.00 \end{bmatrix} & \text{CR}_{\{2,3\}} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0.73 & -0.03 \\ 0.27 & 0.03 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} 5.50 \\ 7.50 \end{bmatrix} & \text{if } \begin{bmatrix} 0.00 & 0.02 \\ 0.00 & -0.02 \\ 0.12 & -0.01 \\ -0.15 & 0.00 \end{bmatrix} x \leq \begin{bmatrix} 1.00 \\ 1.00 \\ 1.00 \\ 1.00 \end{bmatrix} & \text{CR}_{\{1,3\}} \\ \begin{bmatrix} -0.33 & 0.00 \\ 1.33 & 0 \end{bmatrix} x + \begin{bmatrix} -1.67 \\ 14.67 \end{bmatrix} & \text{if } \begin{bmatrix} 0.00 & 0.02 \\ 0.00 & -0.02 \\ 0.15 & -0.00 \\ -0.09 & 0.00 \end{bmatrix} x \leq \begin{bmatrix} 1.00 \\ 1.00 \\ -1.00 \\ 1.00 \end{bmatrix} & \text{CR}_{\{1,4\}} \end{cases}$$

## Linear MPC

Linear Model:  $\begin{cases} x(t+1) = Ax(t) + Bu(t) \\ y(t) = Cx(t) \end{cases}$   $x \in \mathbb{R}^n, u \in \mathbb{R}^m$   
 $y \in \mathbb{R}^p$

Constraints:  $\begin{cases} u_{\min} \leq u(t) \leq u_{\max} \\ y_{\min} \leq y(t) \leq y_{\max} \end{cases}$

- Optimal control problem (quadratic performance index):

$$\min_{u_t, \dots, u_{t+N-1}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} [x'_{t+k|t} Q x_{t+k|t} + u'_{t+k} R u_{t+k}] + x'_{t+N|t} P x_{t+N|t}$$

s.t.  $\begin{cases} y_{\min} \leq y_{t+k|t} \leq y_{\max}, k = 1, \dots, N \\ u_{\min} \leq u_{t+k} \leq u_{\max}, k = 0, \dots, N-1 \\ x_{t|t} = x(t) \\ x_{t+k+1|t} = Ax_{t+k|t} + Bu_{t+k}, k = 0, \dots, N-1 \\ y_{t+k|t} = Cx_{t+k|t}, k = 0, \dots, N-1 \end{cases}$

$Q = Q' \succeq 0, R = R' \succ 0, P \succeq 0, (Q^{\frac{1}{2}}, A)$  detectable (e.g.:  $Q = C'QC$ )

## Linear MPC

- Substitution:  $x_{t+k|t} = A^k x(t) + \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} A^j B u_{t+k-1-j}$

- Optimization problem:

$$\begin{aligned} V(x(t)) = \frac{1}{2} x'(t) Y x(t) + \min_U \frac{1}{2} U' H U + x'(t) F U & \text{ (quadratic)} \\ \text{s.t. } GU \leq W + Sx(t) & \text{ (linear)} \end{aligned}$$

### Convex QUADRATIC PROGRAM (QP)

- $U \triangleq [u'_t, \dots, u'_{t+N-1}]' \in \mathbb{R}^s$ ,  $s \triangleq Nm$ , is the optimization vector
- $H = H' \succ 0$ , and  $H, F, Y, G, W, S$  obtained from weights  $Q, R, P$ , and model matrices  $A, B, C$

## Multiparametric Quadratic Programming

(Bemporad et al., 2002)

$$\begin{aligned} \min_U & \frac{1}{2} U' H U + x' F' U + \frac{1}{2} x' Y x \\ \text{subj. to} & GU \leq W + Sx \end{aligned}$$

$$U \triangleq [u'_0 \dots u'_{T-1}]'$$

$$U \in \mathbb{R}^r, r \triangleq n_u T$$

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

- Objective: solve the QP for all  $x \in X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$

- Assumption:  $\begin{bmatrix} H & F \\ F' & Y \end{bmatrix} \succeq 0$  (always satisfied if QP problem originates from optimal control problem)

## Linearity of the Solution

- $x_0 \in X \Rightarrow$  solve QP to find  $U^*(x_0), \lambda^*(x_0)$
- $\Rightarrow$  identify active constraints at  $U^*(x_0)$
- $\Rightarrow$  form matrices  $\tilde{G}, \tilde{W}, \tilde{S}$  by collecting active constraints  $\tilde{G}U^*(x_0) - \tilde{W} - \tilde{S}x_0 = 0$

KKT optimality conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} (1) HU + Fx + G'\lambda = 0, & \quad (2) \tilde{G}U - \tilde{W} - \tilde{S}x = 0 \\ (3) \lambda_i(G^i U - W^i - s^i x) = 0, & \quad (4) \tilde{G}U \leq \tilde{W} + \tilde{S}x \\ (5) \tilde{\lambda}_i \geq 0, \tilde{\lambda}_i = 0 & \end{aligned}$$

From (1):  $U = -H^{-1}(Fx + \tilde{G}'\tilde{\lambda})$

From (2): 
$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\lambda}(x) &= -(\tilde{G}H^{-1}\tilde{G}')^{-1}(\tilde{W} + (\tilde{S} + \tilde{G}H^{-1}F)x). \\ U(x) &= H^{-1}[\tilde{G}'(\tilde{G}H^{-1}\tilde{G}')^{-1}(\tilde{W} + (\tilde{S} + \tilde{G}H^{-1}F)x) - Fx] \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  In some neighborhood of  $x_0$ ,  $\lambda$  and  $U$  are explicit affine functions of  $x$  !

## Determining a Critical Region

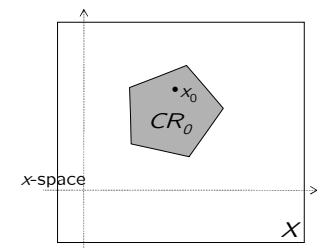
- Impose primal and dual feasibility:

$\Rightarrow$  linear inequalities in  $x$  !

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{G}U(x) &\leq \tilde{W} + \tilde{S}x \\ \tilde{\lambda}(x) &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

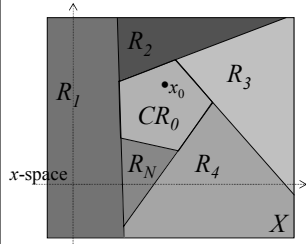
- Remove redundant constraints

$\Rightarrow$  critical region  $CR_0$   
 $CR_0 = \{Ax \leq B\}$



- $CR_0$  is the set of all and only parameters  $x$  for which  $\tilde{G}, \tilde{W}, \tilde{S}$  is the optimal combination of active constraints at the optimizer

## Multiparametric QP



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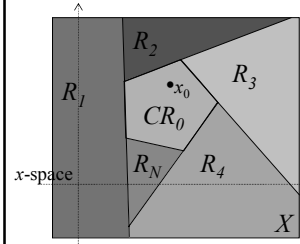
$$R_i = \{x \in X: A^i x > B^i, A^j z \leq B^j, \forall j < i\}$$

**Theorem:**  $\{CR_0, R_1, \dots, R_N\}$  is a partition of  $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$

Proceed iteratively: for each region  $R_i$  repeat the whole procedure with  $X \leftarrow R_i$

The recursive algorithm terminates after a finite number of steps, because the number of combinations of active constraints is finite

## Multiparametric QP

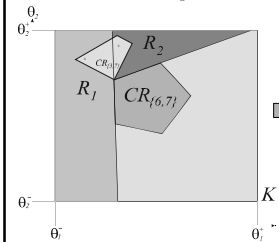


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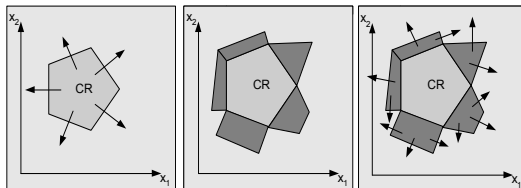
Note: while  $CR_0$  is characterizing a set of active constraints,  $R_i$  is not



Keep track of the CR already explored, don't split CRs

## Mp-QP – More efficient method

(Tøndel, Johansen, Bemporad, 2003)



The active set of a neighboring region is found by using the active set of the current region + knowledge of the type of hyperplane we are crossing:

$$\hat{G}^i U(x) \leq \hat{W}^i + \hat{S}^i x \Rightarrow \text{The corresponding constraint is **added** to the active set}$$

$$\bar{\lambda}_j(x) \geq 0 \Rightarrow \text{The corresponding constraint is **withdrawn** from the active set}$$

## Mp-QP Properties

**Theorem 1** Consider a multi-parametric quadratic program with  $H \succ 0$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} H & F \\ F' & Y \end{bmatrix} \succeq 0$ . The set  $X^*$  of parameters  $x$  for which the problem is feasible is a polyhedral set, the value function  $J^* : X^* \mapsto \mathbb{R}$  is piecewise quadratic, convex and continuous and the optimizer  $U^* : X^* \mapsto \mathbb{R}^r$  is piecewise affine and continuous.

$$U^*(x) = \arg \min_U \frac{1}{2} U' H U + x' F' U$$

continuous,  
piecewise affine

$$\text{subj. to } GU \leq W + Sx$$

$$V^*(x) = \frac{1}{2} x' Y x + \min_U \frac{1}{2} U' H U + x' F' U$$

convex, continuous,  
piecewise quadratic,  
 $C^1$  (if no degeneracy)

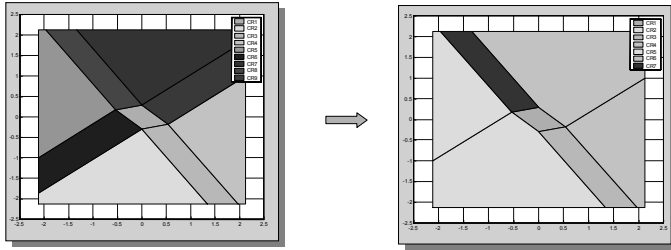
$$\text{subj. to } GU \leq W + Sx$$

**Corollary:** The linear MPC controller is a continuous piecewise affine function of the state

$$u(x) = \begin{cases} F_1 x + G_1 & \text{if } H_1 x \leq K_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ F_N x + G_N & \text{if } H_N x \leq K_N \end{cases}$$



# Complexity Reduction



$$U(x) \triangleq [u'_0(x) \ u'_1(x) \ \dots \ u'_{N-1}(x)]'$$

Regions where the first component of the solution is the same can be joined (when their union is convex). (Bemporad, Fukuda, Torrisi, *Computational Geometry*, 2001)

# Double Integrator Example

System:  $y(t) = \frac{1}{s^2} u(t) \Rightarrow x(t+1) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x(t) + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u(t)$   
 sampling + ZOH  $T_s=1s$   $y(t) = [1 \ 0]x(t)$

Constraints:  $-1 \leq u(t) \leq 1$

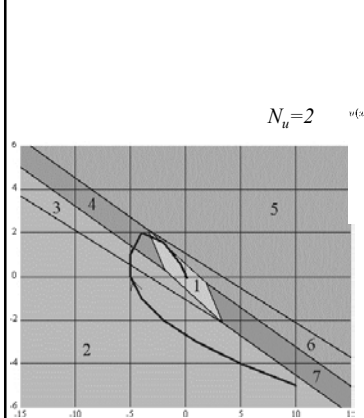
Control objective: minimize  $\sum_{t=0}^{\infty} y'(t)y(t) + \frac{1}{100}u^2(t)$   
 $u_{t+k} = K_{LQ} x(t+k|t) \ \forall k \geq N_u$

Optimization problem: for  $N_u=2$

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 0.8365 & 0.3603 \\ 0.3603 & 0.2059 \end{bmatrix}, \quad F = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4624 & 1.2852 \\ 0.1682 & 0.5285 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{cost function is normalized by } \max \lambda(H))$$

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad W = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad S = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

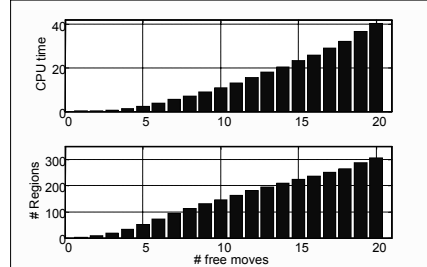
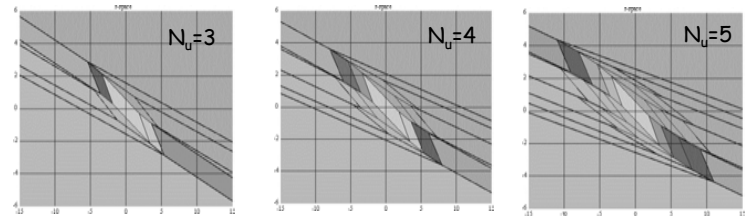
# mp-QP solution



$N_u=2$

$0.8166 \leq x \leq 1.0000$	if $\begin{bmatrix} 0.8166 & -1.3991 \\ 0.8166 & 1.7499 \\ 0.6124 & 0.9957 \\ 0.6124 & 0.9957 \end{bmatrix} x < \begin{bmatrix} 1.0000 \\ 1.0000 \\ 1.0000 \\ 1.0000 \end{bmatrix}$	[Region #1]
$1.0000 \leq x \leq 1.0000$	if $\begin{bmatrix} 0.5863 & 1.0728 \\ 0.5863 & 1.0728 \end{bmatrix} x \leq \begin{bmatrix} 1.0000 \\ 1.0000 \end{bmatrix}$	[Region #2]
$1.0000 \leq x \leq 1.0000$	if $\begin{bmatrix} 0.9712 & 2.0991 \\ 0.2970 & 0.9233 \\ 0.6790 & 1.7394 \end{bmatrix} x \leq \begin{bmatrix} 1.0000 \\ 1.0000 \\ 1.0000 \end{bmatrix}$	[Region #3]
$0.5528 \leq x \leq 1.0000$	if $\begin{bmatrix} 0.9712 & 2.0991 \\ 0.2970 & 0.9233 \\ 0.6790 & 1.7394 \end{bmatrix} x < \begin{bmatrix} 1.0000 \\ 1.0000 \\ 1.0000 \end{bmatrix}$	[Region #4]
$-1.0000 \leq x \leq 1.0000$	if $\begin{bmatrix} 0.5863 & 1.0728 \\ 0.5863 & 1.0728 \end{bmatrix} x \leq \begin{bmatrix} 1.0000 \\ 1.0000 \end{bmatrix}$	[Region #5]
$-1.0000 \leq x \leq 1.0000$	if $\begin{bmatrix} 0.9712 & 2.0991 \\ 0.2970 & 0.9233 \\ 0.6790 & 1.7394 \end{bmatrix} x < \begin{bmatrix} 1.0000 \\ 1.0000 \\ 1.0000 \end{bmatrix}$	[Region #6]
$0.5578 \leq x \leq 1.0000$	if $\begin{bmatrix} 0.5863 & 1.0728 \\ 0.5863 & 1.0728 \end{bmatrix} x \leq \begin{bmatrix} 1.0000 \\ 1.0000 \end{bmatrix}$	[Region #7]

# Complexity



## Complexity

- Worst case complexity analysis:

$$M \triangleq \sum_{\ell=0}^q \binom{q}{\ell} = 2^q \quad \text{combinations of active constraints}$$

$$N_r \leq \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} k! q^k \quad \text{upper bound to the number of regions}$$

- Numerical Tests:

Free moves \ States	2	3	4	5
2	7	7	7	7
3	17	47	29	43
4	29	99	121	127

Number of regions in the state-space partition

Free moves \ States	2	3	4	5
2	3.02	4.12	5.05	5.33
3	10.44	26.75	31.7	70.19
4	25.27	60.20	53.93	58.61

Computation time (s)  
[Matlab 5.3, Pentium II 300MHz]

## Extensions

- Tracking of reference  $r(t)$  :  $\delta u(t) = F(x(t), u(t-1), r(t))$

- Rejection of measured disturbance  $v(t)$  :  $\delta u(t) = F(x(t), u(t-1), v(t))$

- Soft constraints:  $u(t) = F(x(t))$

$$y_{\min} - \epsilon \leq y(t+k|t) \leq y_{\max} + \epsilon$$

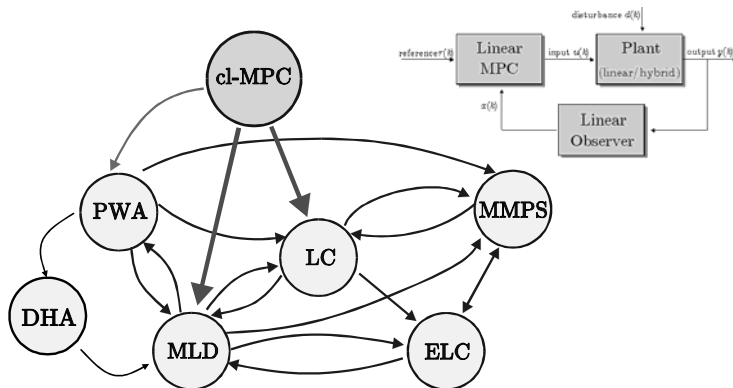
- Variable constraints:  $u(t) = F(x(t), u_{\min}(t), \dots, y_{\max}(t))$

$$u_{\min}(t) \leq u(t+k) \leq u_{\max}(t)$$

$$y_{\min}(t) \leq y(t+k|t) \leq y_{\max}(t)$$

- Linear norms:  $\min_U J(U, x(t)) \triangleq \sum_{k=0}^p \|Qy(t+k|t)\|_{\infty} + \|Ru(t+k)\|_{\infty}$   
(Bemporad, Borrelli, Morari, IEEE TAC, 2002)

## Closed-Loop MPC and Hybrid Systems



### Motivation:

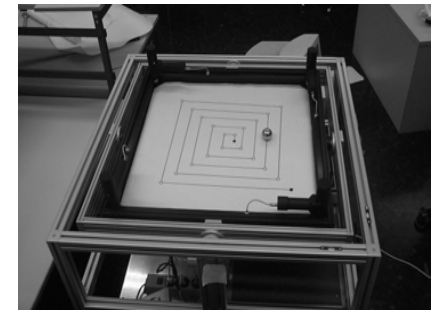
Use hybrid techniques to analyze closed-loop MPC systems !

(Bemporad, Heemels, De Schutter IEEE TAC, 2002)

## MPC Regulation of a Ball on a Plate

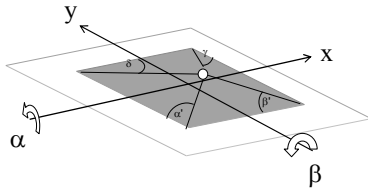
### Task:

- Tune an MPC controller by simulation, using the **MPC Simulink Toolbox**
- Get the **explicit solution** of the MPC controller.
- Validate the controller on **experiments**.





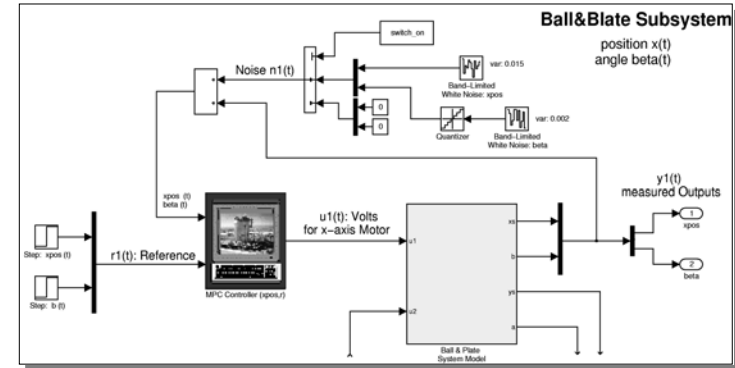
## Ball&Plate Experiment



- Specifications:  
 Angle: -17 deg ... +17deg  
 Plate: -30 cm ... +30 cm  
 Input Voltage: -10 V... +10 V  
 Computer: PENTIUM166  
 Sampling Time: 30 ms
- Model: LTI 14 states  
 Constraints on inputs and states

## General Philosophy: (1) MPC Design

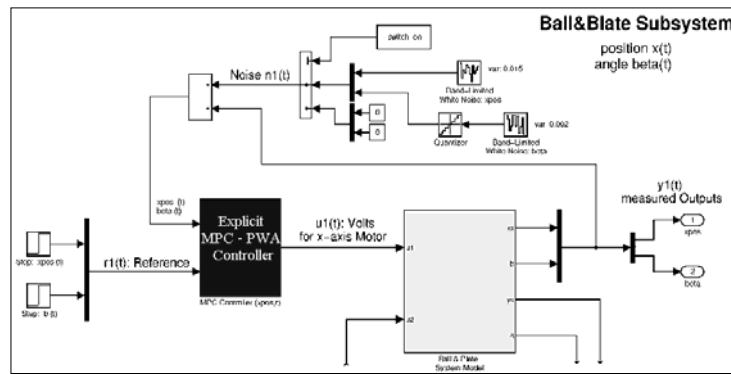
- Step 1: Tune the MPC controller (in simulation)



E.g: MPC Toolbox for Matlab  
 (Bemporad, Morari, Ricker, 2003)

## General Philosophy: (2) Implementation

- Step 2: Solve  $m_p$  and implement Explicit



E.g: Real Time Workshop + xPC Toolbox

## MPC Tuning

Sampling time:  $T_s = 30 \text{ ms}$

Prediction horizon:  $p = 50$

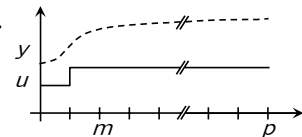
Free control moves:  $m = 2$

Output constraint horizon: **1** (*soft constraint*)

Input constraint horizon: **1** (*hard constraint*)

Weight on position error: **5**

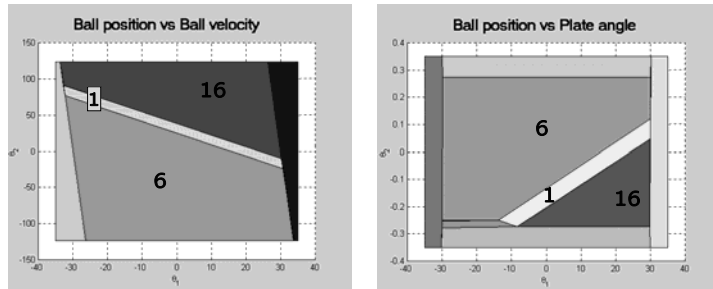
Weight on input voltage changes: **1**



# Explicit MPC Solution

Controller:  $x$ : 22 Regions,  $y$ : 23 Regions

$x$ -MPC: sections at  $\alpha_x=0, \alpha_x=0, u_x=0, r_x=18, r_\alpha=0$



- Region 1:** LQR Controller (near Equilibrium)
- Region 6:** Saturation at -10
- Region 16:** Saturation at +10

# MPC Regulation of a Ball on a Plate

## Design Steps:

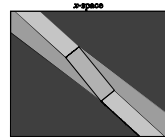
- Tune an MPC controller by simulation, using the *MPC Simulink Toolbox*.
- Get the *explicit solution* of the MPC controller.
- ✓ Validate the controller on *experiments*.



# Comments on Explicit MPC

- Multiparametric Quadratic Programs (mp-QP) can be solved efficiently
- Model Predictive Control (MPC) can be solved off-line via mp-QP
- Explicit solution of MPC controller  $u = f(x)$  is Piecewise Affine

$$u(x) = \begin{cases} F_1x + G_1 & \text{if } H_1x \leq K_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ F_Nx + G_N & \text{if } H_Nx \leq K_N \end{cases}$$



- ⇒ Eliminate heavy on-line computation for MPC
- ⇒ Make MPC suitable for fast/small/cheap processes

# MILP Formulation of MPC

(Bemporad, Borrelli, Morari, 2000)

$$\min_{\xi} J(\xi, x(0)) = \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \|y(t)\|_{\infty} + \|Ru(t)\|_{\infty}$$

subject to MLD model

- Introduce slack variables:  $\min |x| \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \min \epsilon \\ \text{s.t. } \epsilon \geq x \\ \epsilon \geq -x \end{cases}$

$$\begin{cases} \epsilon_k^x \geq \|Qy(t+k|t)\|_{\infty} \\ \epsilon_k^x \geq -\|Qy(t+k|t)\|_{\infty} \\ \epsilon_k^u \geq \|Ru(t+k)\|_{\infty} \\ \epsilon_k^u \geq -\|Ru(t+k)\|_{\infty} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \epsilon_k^x \geq [Qy(t+k|t)]_i & i=1, \dots, p, k=1, \dots, T-1 \\ \epsilon_k^x \geq -[Qy(t+k|t)]_i & i=1, \dots, p, k=1, \dots, T-1 \\ \epsilon_k^u \geq [Ru(t+k)]_i & i=1, \dots, m, k=0, \dots, T-1 \\ \epsilon_k^u \geq -[Ru(t+k)]_i & i=1, \dots, m, k=0, \dots, T-1 \end{cases}$$

- Set  $\xi \triangleq [\epsilon_1^x, \dots, \epsilon_{N_y}^x, \epsilon_1^u, \dots, \epsilon_{T-1}^u, U, \delta, z]$

Mixed Integer Linear Program (MILP)

$$\min_{\xi} J(\xi, x(t)) = \sum_{k=0}^{T-1} \epsilon_k^x + \epsilon_k^u$$

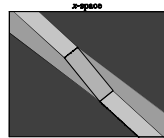
s.t.  $G\xi \leq W + Sx(t)$

## Multiparametric MILP

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\xi=\{\xi_c, \xi_d\}} \quad & f'\xi_c + d'\xi_d \quad \xi_c \in \mathbf{R}^n \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & G\xi_c + E\xi_d \leq W + Fx \quad \xi_d \in \{0, 1\}^m \end{aligned}$$

- mp-MILP can be solved (by alternating MILPs and mp-LPs)  
(Dua, Pistikopoulos, 1999)
- **Theorem:** The multiparametric solution  $\xi^*(x)$  is piecewise affine
- **Corollary:** The MPC controller is piecewise affine in  $x$

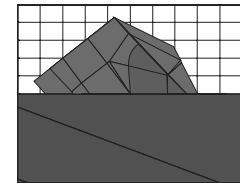
$$u(x) = \begin{cases} F_1x + G_1 & \text{if } H_1x \leq K_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ F_Nx + G_N & \text{if } H_Nx \leq K_N \end{cases}$$



## Solutions via Dynamic Programming

(Borrelli, Bemporad, Baotic, Morari, 2003)  
(Mayne, ECC 2001)

- Explicit solutions to finite time optimal control problems for PWA systems can be obtained using a combination of
  - Dynamic Programming
  - Multiparametric Linear (1 norm,  $\infty$  norm), or or Quadratic (squared 2 norm) programming



**Note:** in the 2-norm case, the partition may not be polyhedral

## Hybrid Control Example (Revisited)

## Hybrid Control - Example

Switching System:

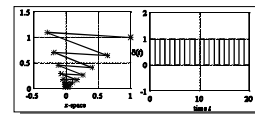
$$x(t+1) = 0.8 \begin{bmatrix} \cos \alpha(t) & -\sin \alpha(t) \\ \sin \alpha(t) & \cos \alpha(t) \end{bmatrix} x(t) + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u(t)$$

$$y(t) = [0 \quad 1] x(t)$$

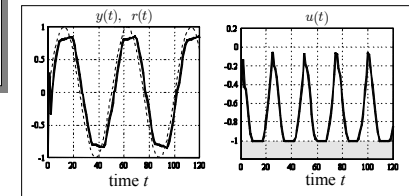
$$\alpha(t) = \begin{cases} \pi & \text{if } [1 \ 0]x(t) \geq 0 \\ -\pi & \text{if } [1 \ 0]x(t) < 0 \end{cases}$$

Constraint:  $-1 \leq u(t) \leq 1$

Open loop:



Closed loop:



# Hybrid MPC - Example

- MLD system

State $x(t)$	2 variables
Input $u(t)$	1 variables
Aux. binary vector $\delta(t)$	1 variables
Aux. continuous vector $z(t)$	4 variables

- mp NLP optimization problem

$$\min_{\left\{ \begin{matrix} v_0 \\ v_1 \end{matrix} \right\}} J(v_0^1, x(t)) \triangleq \sum_{k=0}^1 \|Q_1(v(k) - u_k)\|_\infty + \|Q_2(\delta(k|t) - \delta_k)\|_\infty + \|Q_3(z(k|t) - z_k)\|_\infty + \|Q_4(x(k|t) - x_k)\|_\infty$$

subject to constraints

to be solved in the region

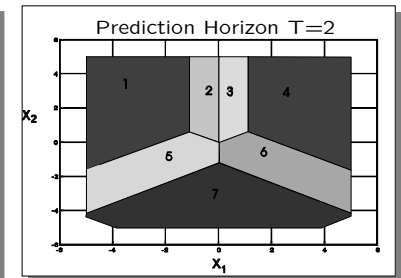
$$\begin{matrix} -5 < x_1 < 5 \\ -5 < x_2 < 5 \end{matrix}$$

- Computational complexity of mp NLP

Linear constraints	84
Continuous variables	20
Binary variables	2
Parameters	2
Time to solve mp-MILP	3 min
Number of regions	7

# mp-MILP Solution

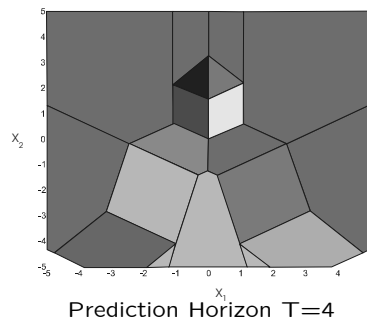
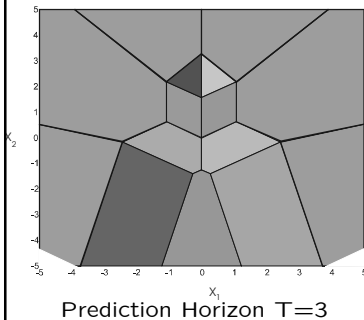
$$u = \begin{cases} -1.0000 & \text{if } \begin{bmatrix} 1.0000 & -1.7295 \\ -1.0000 & 0.0000 \\ 0.0000 & 1.0000 \end{bmatrix} x \leq \begin{bmatrix} -2.1480 \\ 5.0000 \\ 5.0000 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \text{(Region \#1)} \\ [0.9238 \ 0.0000] x & \text{if } \begin{bmatrix} -188.1504 & 1.0000 \\ -20.3154 & -34.1997 \\ 1.0000 & 0.0000 \end{bmatrix} x \leq \begin{bmatrix} 201.3021 \\ 1.0000 \\ 5.0000 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \text{(Region \#2)} \\ [-0.9238 \ -0.0000] x & \text{if } \begin{bmatrix} -217.00 & 1.0000 \\ 38.1919 & -61.29 \\ 1.0000 & 0.0000 \end{bmatrix} x \leq \begin{bmatrix} 4.0708 \\ 1.0000 \\ 5.0000 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \text{(Region \#3)} \\ -1.0000 & \text{if } \begin{bmatrix} -188.15 & -1.0000 \\ -1.0000 & -1.0558 \\ 1.0000 & 0.0000 \end{bmatrix} x \leq \begin{bmatrix} -204.39 \\ -2.1079 \\ 5.0000 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \text{(Region \#4)} \\ [0.4619 \ -0.8000] x & \text{if } \begin{bmatrix} 1.0000 & -1.7193 \\ -1.0000 & 1.7295 \\ 13.0229 & 23.8389 \end{bmatrix} x \leq \begin{bmatrix} 2.1387 \\ 2.1174 \\ -1.0000 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \text{(Region \#5)} \\ [-0.4619 \ -0.8000] x & \text{if } \begin{bmatrix} 1.0000 & 1.7175 \\ -30.3527 & 31.1997 \\ -1.0000 & 0.0000 \end{bmatrix} x \leq \begin{bmatrix} 2.0413 \\ -1.0000 \\ 0.0000 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \text{(Region \#6)} \\ 1.0000 & \text{if } \begin{bmatrix} 1.0000 & -1.6416 \\ -1.0000 & 1.7419 \\ -1.0000 & -1.6788 \end{bmatrix} x \leq \begin{bmatrix} 12.0910 \\ -2.3448 \\ 5.0000 \end{bmatrix} \\ & \text{(Region \#7)} \end{cases}$$



PWA law  $\equiv$  MPC law

Linear constraints	84
Continuous variables	20
Binary variables	2
Parameters	2
Time to solve mp-MILP	3 min
Number of regions	7

# mp-MILP Solution



Hybrid Control Example:  
Traction Control System



# Vehicle Traction Control

Improve driver's ability to control a vehicle under adverse external conditions (wet or icy roads)

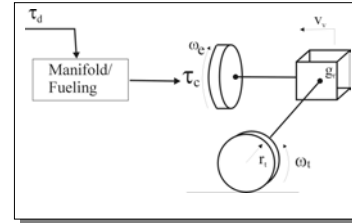


**Model**  
nonlinear, uncertain, constraints

**Controller**  
suitable for real-time implementation

MLD hybrid framework + optimization-based control strategy

# Simple Traction Model



• Mechanical system

$$\dot{\omega}_e = \frac{1}{J_e} \left( \tau_c - b_e \omega_e - \frac{\tau_t}{g_r} \right)$$

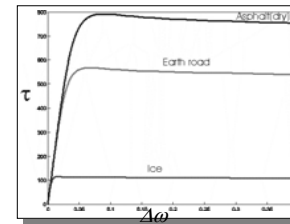
$$\dot{v}_v = \frac{\tau_t}{m_e r_t}$$

• Manifold/fueling dynamics

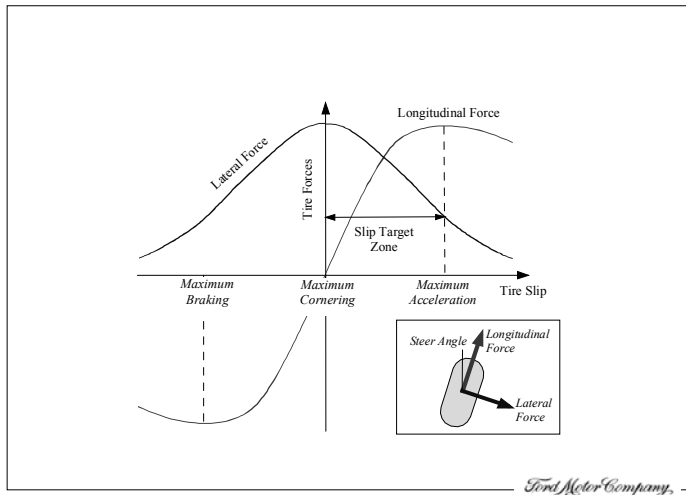
$$\tau_c = b_f \tau_d (t - \tau_f)$$

• Tire torque  $\tau_t$  is a function of slip  $\Delta\omega$  and road surface adhesion coefficient  $\mu$

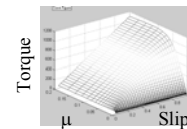
$$\Delta\omega = \frac{\omega_e}{g_r} - \frac{v_v}{r_t} \quad \text{Wheel slip}$$



# Tire Force Characteristics

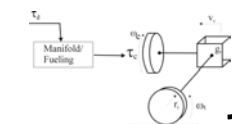
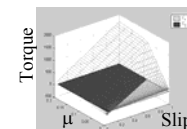


# Hybrid Model



Nonlinear tire torque  $\tau_t = f(\Delta\omega, \mu)$

PWA Approximation  
(PWL Toolbox, Julian, 1999)



**HYSDEL**  
(Hybrid Systems Description Language)

Mixed-Logical Dynamical (MLD) Hybrid Model (discrete time)

## MLD Model

$$\begin{aligned} x(t+1) &= Ax(t) + B_1u(t) + B_2\delta(t) + B_3z(t) + B_5 \\ y(t) &= Cx(t) + D_1u(t) + D_2\delta(t) + D_3z(t) + D_5 \\ E_2\delta(t) + E_3z(t) &\leq E_4x(t) + E_1u(t) + E_5 \end{aligned}$$

State $x(t)$	9 variables
Input $u(t)$	1 variable
Aux. Binary vars $\delta(t)$	3 variables
Aux. Continuous vars $z(t)$	4 variables

➔ The MLD matrices are automatically generated in Matlab format by HYSDEL

## Performance and Constraints

- Control objective:

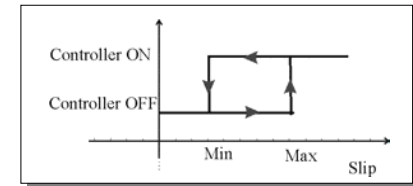
$$\begin{aligned} \min \sum_{k=0}^N |\Delta\omega(k|t) - \Delta\omega_{des}| \\ \text{subj. to. MLD Dynamics} \end{aligned}$$

- Constraints:

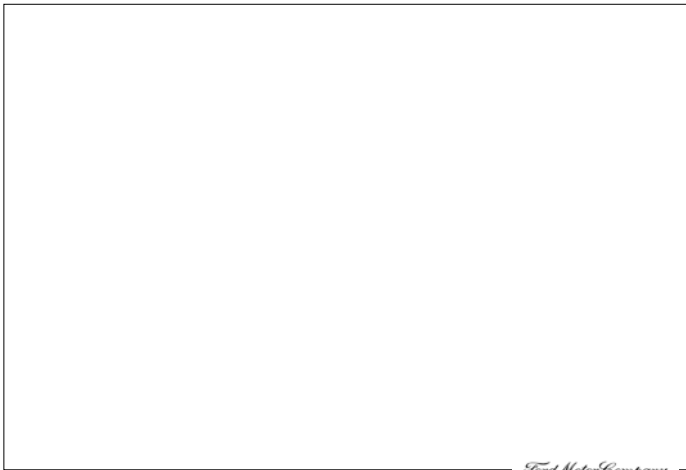
- Limits on the engine torque:  $-20Nm \leq \tau_d \leq 176Nm$

- Logic Constraint:

- Hysteresis

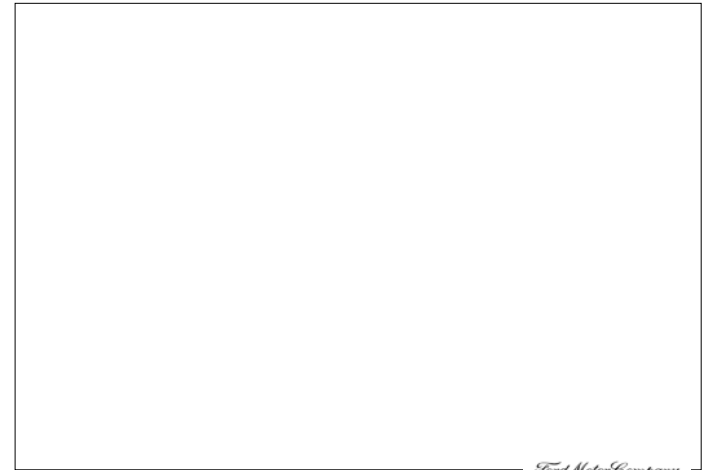


## Experimental Apparatus



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## Experiment



- >500 regions
- 20ms sampling time
- Pentium 266Mhz + Labview

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## Hybrid Control Example: Cruise Control System

## Hybrid Control Problem



Renault Clio 1.9 DTI RXE



### GOAL:

command gear ratio, gas pedal, and brakes to **track** a desired speed and minimize consumption

## Hybrid Model



- Vehicle dynamics

$$m\ddot{x} = F_e - F_b - \beta\dot{x} \quad \dot{x} = \text{vehicle speed}$$

$F_e$  = traction force

$F_b$  = brake force

⇒ discretized with sampling time  $T_s = 0.5$  s

- Transmission kinematics

$$\omega = \frac{R_g(i)}{k_s} \dot{x} \quad \omega = \text{engine speed}$$

$M$  = engine torque

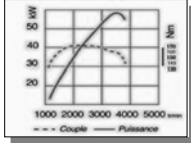
$$F_e = \frac{R_g(i)}{k_s} M \quad i = \text{gear}$$

## Hybrid Model



• Engine torque  $-C_e^-(\omega) \leq M \leq C_e^+(\omega)$

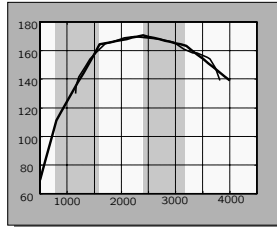
• Max engine torque  $C_e^+(\omega)$



<http://www.renault.fr>

Piecewise-linearization:  
(PWL Toolbox, Julián, 1999)

requires: 4 binary aux variables  
4 continuous aux variables



• Min engine torque  $C_e^-(\omega) = \alpha_1 + \beta_1\omega$

## Hybrid Model



• Gear selection: for each gear #i,  
define a binary input  $g_i \in \{0, 1\}$

• Gear selection (traction force):  
 $F_e = \frac{R_g(i)}{k_s} M$  depends on gear #i

define auxiliary continuous variables:  
IF  $g_i = 1$  THEN  $F_{ei} = \frac{R_g(i)}{k_s} M$  ELSE 0

$$F_e = F_{eR} + F_{e1} + F_{e2} + F_{e3} + F_{e4} + F_{e5}$$

• Gear selection (engine/vehicle speed):

$\omega = \frac{R_g(i)}{k_s} \dot{x}$  similarly, also requires 6 auxiliary continuous variables



## Hybrid Model



• MLD model

$$\begin{aligned} x(t+1) &= Ax(t) + B_1u(t) + B_2\delta(t) + B_3z(t) \\ y(t) &= Cx(t) + D_1u(t) + D_2\delta(t) + D_3z(t) \\ E_2\delta(t) + E_3z(t) &\leq E_4x(t) + E_1u(t) + E_5 \end{aligned}$$

- 2 continuous states:  $x, v$  (vehicle position and speed)
- 2 continuous inputs:  $M, F_b$  (engine torque, brake force)
- 6 binary inputs:  $g_R, g_1, g_2, g_3, g_4, g_5$  (gears)
- 1 continuous output:  $v$  (vehicle speed)
- 16 auxiliary continuous vars: (6 traction force, 6 engine speed, 4 PWL max engine torque)
- 4 auxiliary binary vars: (PWL max engine torque breakpoints)
- 96 mixed-integer inequalities

## Hysdel Model

```

SYSTEM use #
INTERFACE #
  INPUT #
  OUTPUT #
  PARAMETER #
  STATE #
  CONTROL #
  EQUATION #
  INITIAL #
  ENDINTERFACE #
  #
  EQUATION #
  INITIAL #
  END #
  
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The code is annotated with several circles highlighting specific sections: parameter definitions, state equations, control logic, and initial conditions.



<http://control.ethz.ch/~hybrid/hysdel>



# Hybrid Controller



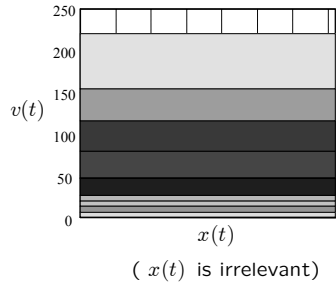
- Max-speed controller

$$\max_{u_t} J(u_t, x(t)) \triangleq v(t+1|t)$$

$$\text{subj. to } \begin{cases} \text{MLD model} \\ x(t|t) = x(t) \end{cases}$$

MILP optimization problem

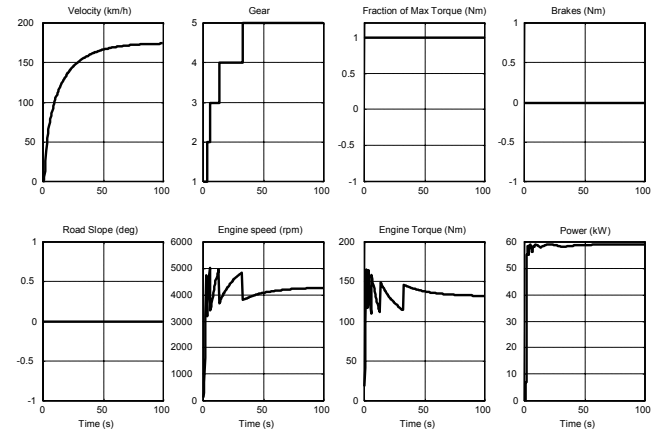
Linear constraints	96
Continuous variables	18
Binary variables	10
Parameters	1
Time to solve mp-MILP (Sun Ultra 10)	45 s
<b>Number of regions</b>	<b>11</b>



# Hybrid Controller



- Max-speed controller



# Hybrid Controller



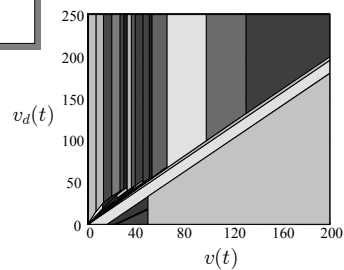
- Tracking controller

$$\min_{u_t} J(u_t, x(t)) \triangleq |v(t+1|t) - v_d(t)| + \rho|\omega|$$

$$\text{subj. to } \begin{cases} \text{MLD model} \\ x(t|t) = x(t) \end{cases}$$

MILP optimization problem

Linear constraints	98
Continuous variables	19
Binary variables	10
Parameters	2
Time to solve mp-MILP (Sun Ultra 10)	27 m
<b>Number of regions</b>	<b>49</b>



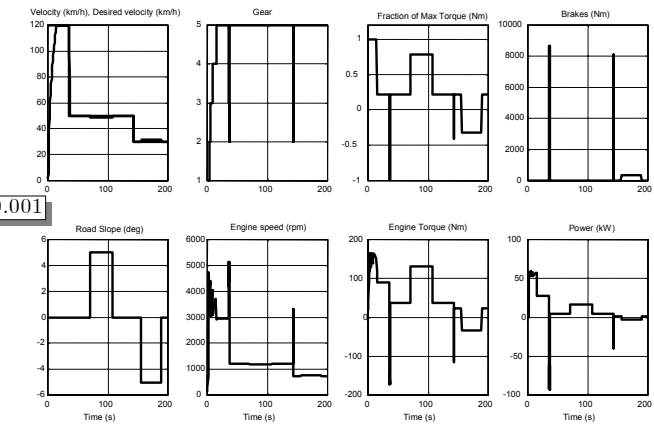
# Hybrid Controller



- Tracking controller

$$\min_{u_t} J(u_t, x(t)) \triangleq |v(t+1|t) - v_d(t)| + \rho|\omega|$$

$\rho = 0.001$



# Hybrid Controller



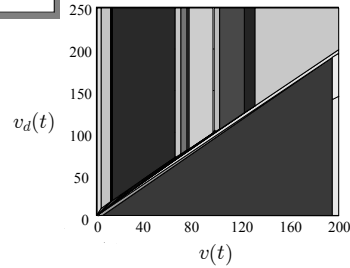
- Smoother tracking controller

$$\min_{u_t} J(u_t, x(t)) \triangleq |v(t+1|t) - v_d(t)| + \rho|\omega|$$

$$\text{subj. to } \begin{cases} |v(t+1|t) - v(t)| < T_s a_{\max} \\ \text{MLD model} \\ x(t|t) = x(t) \end{cases}$$

## MILP optimization problem

Linear constraints	100
Continuous variables	19
Binary variables	10
Parameters	2
Time to solve mp-MILP (Sun Ultra 10)	28 m
<b>Number of regions</b>	<b>54</b>



# Hybrid Controller



- Smoother tracking controller

