

# Control Problems with measures data

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# Motivation : a model problem for multi-stage launchers



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## Motivation :

We want to steer a *multi-stage* heavy space launcher to the GTO orbit with *minimal fuel consumption* and with a *fixed final mass* (the satellite we leave on the GTO).

(Model problem on a contract CNES-INRIA)

**Main ideas of the model :** If the launcher is always at full thrust, *minimizing fuel consumption*  $\iff$  reach GTO in *minimal time*.  
The mass of the fuel is decreasing w.r. to time  $\implies$  we can express *the variation of the mass as a function of  $T - t$*  ( $T$  fixed final time).

O. Bokanowski, A. Briani, H. Zidani *Minimum time control problems for non autonomous differential equations*, Systems & Control Letters, 58, 742-746, 2009.

# A minimum time problem

## Dynamics

Fix  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $T \geq 0$  a control  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A} := L^\infty((0, +\infty); A)$ ,  $A$  is a compact convex set of  $\mathbb{R}^m$ . The trajectory  $y_x^{\alpha, T}$  is the solution of :

$$\begin{cases} \dot{y}(t) = f(T - t, y(t), \alpha(t)), & \text{for } t \in (0, T) \\ y(0) = x. \end{cases}$$

## Minimum time function

The target  $\mathcal{C}$  is a closed convex subset of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . We look for

$$\mathcal{T}(x) := \inf_{T \in \mathcal{R}(x)} T,$$

where  $\mathcal{R}(x) := \{T \geq 0, \text{ such that } \exists \alpha : y_x^{\alpha, T}(T) \in \mathcal{C}\}$ .

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In our case :  $\mathcal{T}(x) \geq \inf_{T \in \mathcal{R}(x)} \mathcal{T}(y_x^{\alpha, T}(h)) + h$

but the inequality can be strict! (Examples)

# What to do ?

We define the **reachability value function** :

Let  $\varphi$  be the function that takes the value 0 on  $\mathcal{C}$  and 1 otherwise.

For each  $(x, T)$  we set

$$v(x, T) := \min_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} \varphi(y_x^{\alpha, T}(T)).$$

**THEN :**

- 1 We can reconstruct  $\mathcal{T}(x)$  :

$$\mathcal{T}(x) = \min \{ T \geq 0 \text{ such that } v(x, T) = 0 \}.$$

- 2  $v$  fulfills a Dynamic Programming Principle.



# The optimal control problem

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$$\begin{cases} \dot{Y}(t) = g_0(t, Y(t), \alpha(t)) + \sum_{i=1}^M g_i(t, Y(t), \alpha(t)) d\mu_i & \text{for } t \in (\tau, T] \\ Y(\tau^-) = X \end{cases}$$

We can define a unique solution  $Y_{X,\tau}^\alpha(t) \in BV([0, T]; \mathbb{R}^N)$ .

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# HJB approach ?

Dynamic Programming Principle holds :

$$v(X, \tau) = \inf_{a \in A} v(Y_{X, \tau}^a(h), h) \quad \tau \leq h \leq T.$$

Formally HJB :

$$-v_t(X, t) + \sup_{a \in A} \left\{ -D_x v(X, t) \cdot g_0(t, X, a) - D_x v(X, t) \cdot \sum_{i=1}^M g_i(t, X, a) d\mu_i \right\} = 0$$

with final condition  $v(X, T) = \varphi(X) \quad X \in \mathbb{R}^N$ .

What is the **meaning of  $D_x v(X, t) \cdot \mu$**  ( $V$  is not smooth) ?

## Graph completion (G. Dal Maso- F.Rampazzo, 1991)

- $B \in BV^-((0, T); \mathbb{R}^M)$  is a primitive of  $\mu$  and  $\mathcal{T} := \{t_i, i \in \mathbb{N}\}$  the subset of all the discontinuity points of  $B$ .
- $(\psi_t)_{t \in \mathcal{T}} := (\psi_t^1, \dots, \psi_t^M)$  be a family of Lipschitz continuous maps :

$$\sum_{t \in \mathcal{T}} V_0^1(\psi_t) < \infty \text{ and } \psi_t(0) = B(t^-) \quad \psi_t(1) = B(t^+) \quad \forall t \in \mathcal{T}$$

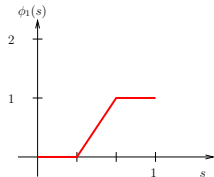
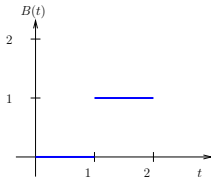
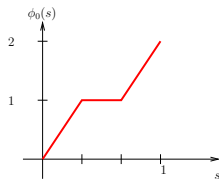
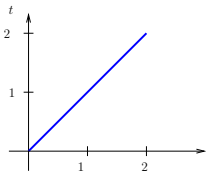
We define  $\mathcal{W} : [0, T] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  :

$$\mathcal{W}(t) := \frac{1}{(1 + \sum_{i=1}^{+\infty} a_i)} \left( \frac{t + V_0^t(B)}{T + V_0^T(B)} + \sum_{t_i < t} V_0^1(\psi_{t_i}) \right).$$

The graph completion of  $B$  corresponding to  $(\psi_t)_{t \in \mathcal{T}}$  is :

$$(\phi_0, \phi_1, \dots, \phi_M)(s) = \begin{cases} (t, B(t)) & \text{if } s = \mathcal{W}(t); t \in [0, T] \setminus \mathcal{T} \\ (t_i, \psi_{t_i} \left( \frac{s - \mathcal{W}(t_i)}{\mathcal{W}(t_i^+) - \mathcal{W}(t_i)} \right)) & \text{if } s \in [\mathcal{W}(t_i), \mathcal{W}(t_i^+)] t_i \in \mathcal{T} \end{cases}$$

## Graph completion : an example

Ex. :  $\mu = \delta_1, t \in [0, 2]$ 

For  $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ , let  $Z_{X,\sigma}^\alpha : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^N$  be the solution of  $(\mu = \mu^a dt + \mu^s)$

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dZ}{ds}(s) = \sum_{i=1}^M g_i(\phi_0(s), Z(s), \alpha(\phi_0(s))) \left( \mu^a(\phi_0(s)) \frac{d\phi_0}{ds}(s) + \frac{d\phi_i}{ds}(s) \right) + \\ \quad + g_0(\phi_0(s), Z(s), \alpha(\phi_0(s))) \frac{d\phi_0}{ds}(s) \quad \text{for } s \in (\sigma, 1] \\ Z(\sigma) = X \end{cases}$$

Theorem (G. Dal Maso, F. Rampazzo 91 ; A.B. 1999 )

Let  $\mu$  be a Radom measure and  $(\psi_t)_{t \in \mathcal{T}}$  given as before. Then  $Y_{X,\tau}^\alpha \in BV([\tau, T]; \mathbb{R}^N)$  is a solution in the “sense of measures” if and only if there exists a solution  $Z_{X,\sigma}^\alpha \in AC([\sigma, 1]; \mathbb{R}^N)$  such that

$$Z(\mathcal{W}(t)) = Y(t) \quad \forall t \in [\tau, T]$$

- Under commutativity assumptions on the  $g_i$ ; the definition does not depend on  $(\psi_t)_{t \in \mathcal{T}}$ . (A. Bressan & F. Rampazzo 91, 94)
- There are different definitions. (J.P. Raymond 97).

# The “reparametrised” optimal control problem

Define the value function for  $Z$  :

$$\bar{v}(X, \sigma) = \inf_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} \phi(Z_{X, \sigma}^\alpha(1)).$$

By the previous theorem we have :

$$v(X, \tau) = \bar{v}(X, W(\tau)) \quad W(t) \text{ “inverse” of } \phi_0(s) \quad \Rightarrow \textit{Known!}$$

The HJB equation for  $\bar{v}$  is **without measure** :

$$\begin{cases} -\bar{v}_\tau(z, \tau) + \sup_{a \in A} \left\{ -D_z \bar{v}(z, \tau) \cdot \mathcal{F}(\tau, z, a) \right\} = 0 \\ \bar{v}(z, T) = \varphi(z) \end{cases}$$

$\mathcal{F}(\tau, z, a)$  is  $\tau$ -measurable and  $\varphi$  is lower semi continuous,  
 $\Rightarrow$  NOT classical viscosity solution !

In : A. Briani & H. Zidani *Characterisation of the value function of final state constrained control problems with measures data*, (in preparation).

### New definition : Bilateral $L^1$ viscosity solution

A bounded *l.s.c. function*  $u$  is a *Bilateral  $L^1$ -viscosity solution* if :  
for any  $b \in L^1(0, T)$ ,  $\phi \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^N)$  and  $(x_0, t_0)$  local minimum point for  $u(x, t) - \int_0^t b(s)ds - \phi(x)$  we have

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{|t-t_0| \leq \delta} \sup_{x \in B_\delta(x_0), p \in B_\delta(D\phi(x_0))} \{H(t, x, p) + b(t)\} \geq 0$$

and

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0^+} \operatorname{ess\,inf}_{|t-t_0| \leq \delta} \inf_{x \in B_\delta(x_0), p \in B_\delta(D\phi(x_0))} \{H(t, x, p) + b(t)\} \leq 0.$$

**Bilateral** : E.N. Barron & R. Jensen 1990-1991 ; G. Barles & B. Perthame 1987 ;  
 **$L^1$ -viscosity solution** : H. Ishii 1985 ; P.L. Lions & B. Perthame 1987 ; D. Nunziante 1990, 1992 ; A.B. & F. Rampazzo 2005 ; G Barles 2006 ; M. Bourgoing 2008.



- Consistency, stability and uniqueness.
- The value function  $\bar{v}$  is a Bilateral  $L^1$ -viscosity solution.

### CONVERGENCE RESULT :

Let  $\varphi_m \in C^0$  and  $\varphi_m(x) \uparrow \varphi(x)$ ,  $\Delta_k := (\Delta x_k, \Delta t_k)$  and denote by  $v_m^{\Delta_k}$  the solution of

$$S(t_{n+1}, x_j, v_j^{n+1}, v^n) = 0 \quad v(x_j, 0) = \varphi_m(x_j).$$

If the scheme  $S$  is *Monotone, Stable and "Consistent"*.

Then, as  $k \rightarrow 0$ ,  $m \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $v_m^{\Delta_k}$  converges pointwise to the value function  $\bar{v}$ . (An example of finite difference type  $S$  is given.)

$\Rightarrow$  We can calculate  $\bar{v}$  and by  $v(X, \tau) = \bar{v}(X, W(\tau))$  obtain  $v$ !

*....thanks for your attention.*