# Efficient Computational Methods for Model Predictive Control

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# Model Predictive Control

### Model Predictive Control Principle = Prediction + (Online) Optimization





#### Issues

- Model identification from data
- Output-based feedback (estimator)
- Regulator
- Optimization algorithm

#### Objectives

- Address ALL these issues of MPC by formulation of each subproblem as a Convex Optimization problem.
- Asses the achieved closed-loop performance in face of model uncertainty.

## Outline

## Convex Optimization

- Primal-Dual Interior Point Algorithm
- $\bigcirc$  MPC based on the  $l_2$ -norm
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# Constrained $l_2$ -regression

### Constrained $l_2$ -regression

$$\min_{x} \quad \phi = \frac{1}{2} \|e\|_{2}^{2}$$
  
s.t. 
$$e = Ax - b$$
  
$$Cx \ge d$$

$$\phi = \frac{1}{2} ||e||_2^2 = \sum_i \rho(e_i)$$
$$\rho = \rho(e_i) = \frac{1}{2}e_i^2$$

### is a convex quadratic program

$$\min_{x} \phi = \frac{1}{2}x'Hx + g'x + \gamma$$
$$Cx \ge d$$
$$H = A'A$$
$$g = -A'b$$
$$\gamma = \frac{1}{2}b'b$$



# Constrained $l_1$ -regression

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$$\min_{x} \quad \phi = \|e\|_{1}$$
s.t. 
$$e = Ax - b$$

$$Cx \ge d$$

is a linear program

$$\min_{x,y} \quad \phi = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ e \end{bmatrix}' \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$
s.t. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} A & I \\ -A & I \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \ge \begin{bmatrix} b \\ -b \\ d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\phi = \|e\|_1 = \sum_i \rho(e_i)$$
$$\rho = \rho(e_i) = |e_i|$$



# $l_2$ -regression with a dead zone

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$$\begin{array}{ll} \min_{x} & \phi = \sum_{i} \rho(e_{i}) \\ s.t. & e = Ax - b \\ & Cx \ge d \end{array}$$

is a convex quadratic program

$$\min_{x,y} \quad \phi = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}' \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} A & I \\ -A & I \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \ge \begin{bmatrix} b - \gamma \mathbf{1} \\ -b - \gamma \mathbf{1} \\ d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rho(e_i) = \begin{cases} 0 & |e_i| \le \gamma \\ \frac{1}{2}(|e_i| - \gamma)^2 & |e_i| > \gamma \end{cases}$$



## Constrained $l_1$ -regression with a dead zone

### $l_1$ -regression with deadzone

$$\min_{x} \quad \phi = \sum_{i} \rho(e_{i})$$
  
s.t. 
$$e = Ax - b$$
  
$$Cx \ge d$$

is a linear program

$$\min_{x,y} \quad \phi = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{1} \end{bmatrix}' \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} A & I \\ -A & I \\ \mathbf{0} & I \\ C & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \ge \begin{bmatrix} b - \gamma \mathbf{1} \\ -b - \gamma \mathbf{1} \\ \mathbf{0} \\ d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rho = \rho(e_i) = \begin{cases} 0 & |e_i| \le \gamma \\ |e_i| - \gamma & |e_i| > \gamma \end{cases}$$

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# Huber Regression

### Constrained $l_2$ -regression

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min_{x} & \phi = \sum_{i} \rho(e_{i}) \\ s.t. & e = Ax - b \\ & Cx \ge d \end{array}$$

is a convex quadratic program

$$\begin{split} \min_{x,y,z} \phi &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}' \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \gamma 1 \end{bmatrix}' \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \\ s.t. \begin{bmatrix} A & I & I \\ -A & I & I \\ 0 & 0 & I \\ C & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \geq \begin{bmatrix} b \\ -b \\ 0 \\ d \end{bmatrix} \end{split}$$

$$\rho = \rho(e_i) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}e_i^2 & |e_i| \le \gamma\\ \gamma |e_i| - \frac{1}{2}\gamma^2 & |e_i| > \gamma \end{cases}$$



## Regularization

Regularization with the  $l_2$ -norm

$$\min_{x} \quad \phi = \sum_{i} \rho(e_{i}) + \frac{1}{2} \|Lx\|_{2}^{2}$$
  
s.t. 
$$e = Ax - b$$
$$Cx \ge d$$



$$\min_{x} \quad \phi = \sum_{i} \rho(e_{i}) + \|Lx\|_{1}$$
  
s.t. 
$$e = Ax - b$$
  
$$Cx \ge d$$





# Semi Definite Programming (SDP)

$$\min_{X \in \mathcal{S}} \quad \phi = \|AX - B\|$$
  
s.t.  $X \succeq \mathbf{0}$ 

- This problem has application in data-driven tuning of Kalman Filters
- Same primal-dual interior point algorithm as for other convex optimization problems
- Used off-line in contrast to other MPC applications

Åkesson, Jørgensen, Poulsen, Jørgensen: A generalized autocovariance least-squares method for Kalman filter tuning *Journal of Process Control*, **18**, 2008: 769-779

# Modern Convex Optimization

$$\min_{x} \quad \phi = \sum_{k=1}^{N} \rho(e_k)$$
  
s.t.  $e_k = A_k x - b_k \qquad k = 1, 2, \dots, N$ 

$$\begin{split} l_1 \qquad \rho(t) &= \|t\|_1 \qquad \rho(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & |t| \leq \gamma \\ |t| - \gamma & |t| > \gamma \end{cases} \\ l_2 \qquad \rho(t) &= \frac{1}{2} \|t\|_2^2 \quad \rho(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & |t| \leq \gamma \\ \frac{1}{2}(|t| - \gamma)^2 & |t| > \gamma \end{cases} \\ \\ \text{Huber} \qquad \rho(t) &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}t^2 & |t| \leq \gamma \\ \gamma|t| - \frac{1}{2}\gamma^2 & |t| > \gamma \end{cases} \end{split}$$

SOCP, SDP



# Data Fitting and Approximation

$$\min_{x} \quad \phi = \sum_{i} \rho(e_{i}) + \frac{1}{p} ||Lx||_{p}^{p} \qquad p \in \{1, 2\}$$
  
s.t. 
$$e = Ax - b$$
$$Cx \ge d$$

- Inversion Problem
- Approximation Problem (Regression Problem)
- Sestimation Problem parameter estimation & state estimation
- Ontrol Problem (Design Problem)
- Geometric Problem

# Convex Quadratic Program

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad \frac{1}{2}x'Hx + g'x$$
  
s.t.  $Ax \ge b$ 

## Theorem (KKT conditions)

$$r_L = Hx + g - A'\lambda = 0$$
  

$$r_s = s - Ax + b = 0$$
  

$$r_{s\lambda} = S\Lambda e = 0$$
  

$$s \ge 0$$
  

$$\lambda \ge 0$$

$$s = Ax - b \ge 0$$
$$S = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & s_n \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

while Not\_Converged do Compute:  $\bar{H} = H + A'(S^{-1}\Lambda)A$ Cholesky factorization:  $\bar{H} = \bar{L}\bar{L}'$ Affine Predictor Step: Compute:  $\bar{r} = A'(S^{-1}(r_{s\lambda} - \Lambda r_s)), -\bar{q} = -(r_L + \bar{r})$ Solve:  $\overline{L}\overline{L}'\Delta x = -\overline{q}$ Compute:  $\Delta s = -r_s + A\Delta x$ Compute:  $\Delta \lambda = -S^{-1}(r_{s\lambda} + \Lambda \Delta s)$ Determine the maximum affine step length:  $\lambda + \alpha_{max}\Delta\lambda \ge 0$   $s + \alpha_{max}\Delta s \ge 0$ Select affine step length:  $\alpha \in (0, \alpha_{max}]$ Compute affine duality gap:  $\mu_a = \frac{(\lambda + \alpha \Delta \lambda)'(s + \alpha \Delta s)}{m}$ Centering parameter:  $\sigma = \left(\frac{\mu_a}{\mu}\right)^3$ Center Corrector Step: Modified complementarity:  $r_{s\lambda} \leftarrow r_{s\lambda} + \Delta S \Delta \Lambda e - \sigma \mu e$ Compute  $\bar{r} = A'(S^{-1}(r_{s\lambda} - \Lambda r_s)), -\bar{q} = -(r_L + \bar{r})$ Solve:  $\overline{L}\overline{L}'\Delta x = -\overline{q}$ Compute:  $\Delta s = -r_s + A\Delta x$ Compute:  $\Delta \lambda = -S^{-1}(r_{s\lambda} + \Lambda \Delta s)$ Determine the maximum affine step length:  $\lambda + \alpha_{\max}\Delta\lambda \ge 0$   $s + \alpha_{\max}\Delta s \ge 0$ Select affine step length:  $\alpha \in (0, \alpha_{max}]$ Step:  $x \leftarrow x + \alpha \Delta x$ ,  $\lambda \leftarrow \lambda + \alpha \Delta \lambda$ ,  $s \leftarrow s + \alpha \Delta s$ **Residuals and Duality Gap:**  $r_L = Hx + q - A'\lambda, r_s = s - Ax + b, r_{s\lambda} = S\Lambda e$ Duality gap:  $\mu = \frac{s'\lambda}{\lambda}$ end while

# Major Computations in PD Interior Point Algorithm

## Standard QP

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad \frac{1}{2}x'Hx + g'x$$
  
s.t.  $Ax \ge b$ 

Compute modified Hessian

$$\bar{H} = H + A'DA, \quad D = S^{-1}\Lambda$$

• Compute Cholesky factorization  $\bar{H} = \bar{L}\bar{L}'$   $\mathsf{I}_2\text{-}\mathsf{regression}$  with a deadzone

$$\begin{split} \min_{x,y} \quad \phi &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}' \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} A & I \\ -A & I \\ C & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \geq \begin{bmatrix} b - \gamma \mathbf{1} \\ -b - \gamma \mathbf{1} \\ d \end{bmatrix} \end{split}$$

- Ompute modified Hessian
- Ocholesky factorization

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Ompute modified Hessian

$$\bar{H} = \begin{bmatrix} A'(D_1 + D_2)A + C'D_3C & A'(D_1 - D_2) \\ (D_1 - D_2)A & D_1 + D_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{H}_{11} & \bar{H}_{12} \\ \bar{H}_{21} & D \end{bmatrix}$$

Ocholesky factorization - by use of Schur complement

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{H}_{xx} &= \bar{H}_{11} - \bar{H}_{12} D^{-1} \bar{H}_{21} = A' \hat{D} A + C' D_3 C = \hat{L} \hat{L}' \\ \hat{L} \hat{L}' x &= \bar{b}_1 - \bar{H}_{12} D^{-1} b_2 \\ y &= D^{-1} (\bar{b}_2 - \bar{H}_{21} x) \end{aligned}$$

## Finite Impulse Response Model

$$z_k = b_k + \sum_{i=1}^n H_i u_{k-i}$$

The state space model

$$x_{k+1} = Ax_k + Bu_k$$
$$z_k = Cx_k$$

can be expressed as the impulse response coefficient model

$$z_{k} = CA^{k}x_{0} + \sum_{i=1}^{k} CA^{i-1}Bu_{k-i}$$
$$= b_{k} + \sum_{i=1}^{k} H_{i}u_{k-i} \approx b_{k} + \sum_{i=1}^{n} H_{i}u_{k-i}$$

with

$$H_i = CA^{i-1}B$$

# FIR based MPC for Linear Systems



Model:

$$z_k = b_k + \sum_{i=1}^n H_i u_{k-i}$$

Estimator:

$$e_k = \Delta y_k - \sum_{i=1}^n H_i \Delta u_{k-i}$$
$$\hat{b}_k = \hat{b}_{k-1} + e_k$$

Plant:

$$egin{aligned} oldsymbol{x}_{k+1} &= Aoldsymbol{x}_k + Bu_k + B_d d_k + Goldsymbol{w}_k \ oldsymbol{z}_k &= Coldsymbol{x}_k \ oldsymbol{x}_0 &\sim N(ar{x}_0, P_0) \quad oldsymbol{w}_k \sim N_{iid}(0, Q) \end{aligned}$$

Sensors:

$$oldsymbol{y}_k = oldsymbol{z}_k + oldsymbol{v}_k \qquad oldsymbol{v}_k \sim N_{iid}(\mathbf{0},R)$$

$$\begin{split} \min_{\{z,u\}} & \phi = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \|z_{k+1} - r_{k+1}\|_{Q_z}^2 + \|\Delta u_k\|_S^2 \\ s.t. & z_k = b_k + \sum_{i=1}^n H_i u_{k-i} \quad k = 1, \dots, N \\ & u_{\min} \le u_k \le u_{\max} \quad k = 0, \dots, N-1 \\ & \Delta u_{\min} \le \Delta u_k \le \Delta u_{\max} \quad k = 0, \dots, N-1 \\ & 18 / 38 \end{split}$$

Regulator:

## Regulator = Convex QP

$$\begin{split} \min_{\{z,u\}} & \phi = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \|z_{k+1} - r_{k+1}\|_{Q_z}^2 + \|\Delta u_k\|_S^2 \\ s.t. & z_k = b_k + \sum_{i=1}^n H_i u_{k-i} \quad k = 1, \dots, N \\ & u_{\min} \le u_k \le u_{\max} \quad k = 0, \dots, N-1 \\ & \Delta u_{\min} \le \Delta u_k \le \Delta u_{\max} \quad k = 0, \dots, N-1 \end{split}$$

- Finite Horizon MPC
- Gives desired performance when large disturbances renders the setpoint infeasible.
- Requires large horizon, N, and therefore efficient computational procedures

Rawlings, Bonnè, Jørgensen, Venkat, Jørgensen: Unreachable setpoints in model predictive control

IEEE Transactions on Automatic Control, 53, 2008: 2209-2215

## FIR Model as Linear Predictor

FIR model

$$z_k = b_k + \sum_{i=1}^n H_i u_{k-i}$$
  $k = 1, 2, ..., N$ 

Define the vectors Z, R, and U as

$$Z = \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \\ \vdots \\ z_N \end{bmatrix} \quad R = \begin{bmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ \vdots \\ r_N \end{bmatrix} \quad U = \begin{bmatrix} u_0 \\ u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_{N-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

FIR predictions as linear (affine) relation (N=6, n=3)

 $Z = c + \Gamma U$ 

$$c = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \\ c_4 \\ c_5 \\ c_6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 + (H_2u_{-1} + H_3u_{-2}) \\ b_2 + (H_3u_{-1}) \\ b_3 \\ b_4 \\ b_5 \\ b_6 \end{bmatrix} \quad \Gamma = \begin{bmatrix} H_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ H_2 & H_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ H_3 & H_2 & H_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & H_3 & H_2 & H_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & H_3 & H_2 & H_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & H_3 & H_2 & H_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

For the case N = 6, define the matrices A and  $I_0$  by

$$\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -I & I & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -I & I & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -I & I & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -I & I \end{bmatrix} \qquad I_0 = \begin{bmatrix} I \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

then

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Delta u_0 \\ \Delta u_1 \\ \Delta u_2 \\ \Delta u_3 \\ \Delta u_4 \\ \Delta u_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u_0 - u_{-1} \\ u_1 - u_0 \\ u_2 - u_1 \\ u_3 - u_2 \\ u_4 - u_3 \\ u_5 - u_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -I & I & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -I & I & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -I & I & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -I & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_0 \\ u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ u_4 \\ u_5 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} I \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} u_{-1}$$

or

 $\Delta U = \Lambda U - I_0 u_{-1}$ 

### Define



and remember

$$Z = c + \Gamma U$$
$$\Delta U = \Lambda U - I_0 u_{-1}$$

Then the objective function may be expressed as

$$\phi = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \|z_{k+1} - r_{k+1}\|_{Q_z}^2 + \|\Delta u_k\|_S^2$$
  
=  $\frac{1}{2} \|Z - R\|_{Q_z}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\Lambda U - I_0 u_{-1}\|_S^2$   
=  $\frac{1}{2} \|c + \Gamma U - R\|_{Q_z}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\Lambda U - I_0 u_{-1}\|_S^2$ 

## Objective Function in Regulator

$$\begin{split} \phi &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \|z_{k+1} - r_{k+1}\|_{Q_z}^2 + \|\Delta u_k\|_S^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \|Z - R\|_{Q_z}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\Lambda U - I_0 u_{-1}\|_S^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \|c + \Gamma U - R\|_{Q_z}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\Lambda U - I_0 u_{-1}\|_S^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} U' \left(\Gamma' Q_z \Gamma + \Lambda' S \Lambda\right) U \\ &+ \left(\Gamma' Q_z (c - R) - \Lambda' S I_0 u_{-1}\right)' U \\ &+ \left(\frac{1}{2} \|c - R\|_{Q_z}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|I_0 u_{-1}\|_S^2\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} U' HU + g' U + \rho \end{split}$$

 $H = \Gamma' \mathcal{Q}_z \Gamma + \Lambda' \mathcal{S} \Lambda$  $g = \Gamma' \mathcal{Q}_z (c - R) - \Lambda' \mathcal{S} I_0 u_{-1}$ 

## Regulator = Convex QP

The regulator optimization problem

$$\min_{\{z,u\}} \quad \phi = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \|z_{k+1} - r_{k+1}\|_{Q_z}^2 + \|\Delta u_k\|_S^2$$
s.t. 
$$z_k = b_k + \sum_{i=1}^n H_i u_{k-i} \quad k = 1, \dots, N$$

$$u_{\min} \le u_k \le u_{\max} \quad k = 0, \dots, N-1$$

$$\Delta u_{\min} \le \Delta u_k \le \Delta u_{\max} \quad k = 0, \dots, N-1$$

can be expressed as a convex  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{QP}}$ 

$$\min_{U} \qquad \psi = \frac{1}{2}U'HU + g'U \\ s.t. \qquad U_{\min} \le U \le U_{\max} \\ b_l \le \Lambda U \le b_u$$

$$H = \Gamma' Q_z \Gamma + \Lambda' S \Lambda$$
  

$$g = \Gamma' Q_z (c - R) - \Lambda' S I_0 u_{-1}$$
  

$$b_l = \Delta U_{\min} + I_0 u_{-1}$$
  

$$b_u = \Delta U_{\max} + I_0 u_{-1}$$

### $l_2$ MPC quadratic program

$$\min_{U} \qquad \psi = \frac{1}{2}U'HU + g'U$$
  
s.t. 
$$U_{\min} \le U \le U_{\max}$$
$$b_l \le \Lambda U \le b_u$$

Structured matrix multiplication

$$\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -I & I & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -I & I & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -I & I \end{bmatrix} D = \begin{bmatrix} D_1 & & & \\ D_2 & & & \\ & D_3 & & \\ & & D_4 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\Lambda' D \Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} D_1 + D_2 & -D_2 & 0 & 0 \\ -D_2 & D_2 + D_3 & -D_3 & 0 \\ 0 & -D_3 & D_3 + D_4 & -D_4 \\ 0 & 0 & -D_4 & D_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Major computation operations in the interior-point algorithm: C'DC

$$\bar{H} = H + D_{U_{\min}} + D_{U_{\max}} + \Lambda' (D_{\Delta U_{\min}} + D_{\Delta U_{\max}}) \Lambda$$
$$\bar{H} = \bar{L}\bar{L}'$$

## Penalty Function for Soft MPC



#### Soft MPC

## Soft MPC

### Mathematical program

$$\begin{array}{ll} \min & \phi = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \rho(z_{k+1}, r_{k+1}) + \|\Delta u_k\|_{2,S}^2 \\ s.t. & z_k = b_k + \sum_{i=1}^n H_i u_{k-i} & k = 1, 2, \dots, N \\ & u_{\min} \le u_k \le u_{\max} & k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1 \\ & \Delta u_{\min} \le \Delta u_k \le \Delta u_{\max} & k = 1, 2, \dots, N-1 \end{array}$$

### with the penalty function

$$\rho(z,r) = \|z - r\|_{2,Q}^2 + \|\min(z - z_{\min}, 0)\|_{2,S_e}^2 + \|\max(z - z_{\max}, 0)\|_{2,S_e}^2$$

Prasath, Jørgensen: Soft Constraints for Robust MPC of Uncertain Systems

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#### Soft MPC

# Soft MPC

$$\begin{split} \min_{\substack{\{u_k, w_{k+1}\}_{k=0}^{N-1}}} & \phi = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \|z_{k+1} - r_{k+1}\|_{2,Q}^2 + \|w_{k+1}\|_{2,S^e}^2 + \|\Delta u_k\|_{2,S}^2 \\ s.t. & z_k = b_k + \sum_{i=1}^n H_i u_{k-i} & k = 1, 2, \dots, N \\ & u_{\min} \le u_k \le u_{\max} & k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1 \\ & \Delta u_{\min} \le \Delta u_k \le \Delta u_{\max} & k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1 \\ & z_k + w_k \ge z_{\min} & k = 1, 2, \dots, N \\ & z_k - w_k \ge z_{\max} & k = 1, 2, \dots, N \\ & w_k \ge 0 & k = 1, 2, \dots, N \end{split}$$

#### Soft MPC

$$\begin{split} \min_{U,W} & \phi = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} U \\ W \end{bmatrix}' \begin{bmatrix} H_{uu} & 0 \\ 0 & H_{ww} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U \\ W \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} g_u \\ g_w \end{bmatrix}' \begin{bmatrix} U \\ W \end{bmatrix} \\ s.t. & U_{\min} \leq U \leq U_{\max} \\ & 0 \leq W \\ & \Delta U_{\min} + I_0 u_{-1} \leq \Lambda U \leq \Delta U_{\max} + I_0 u_{-1} \\ & \Gamma U + W \geq Z_{\min} - c \\ & \Gamma U - W \leq Z_{\max} - c \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} H_{uu} &= \Gamma' \mathcal{Q} \Gamma + \Lambda' \mathcal{S} \Lambda & H_{ww} = \mathcal{S}_e = I_N \otimes \mathcal{S}_e \\ g_u &= \Gamma' \mathcal{Q}_z (c-R) - \Lambda' \mathcal{S} I_0 u_{-1} & g_w = 0 \\ \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} H_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ H_2 & H_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ H_3 & H_2 & H_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & H_3 & H_2 & H_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & H_3 & H_2 & H_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -I & I & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -I & I & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -I & I & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -I & I \end{bmatrix} \quad I_0 = \begin{bmatrix} I \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\begin{split} \min_{U,W} & \phi = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} U \\ W \end{bmatrix}' \begin{bmatrix} H_{uu} & 0 \\ 0 & H_{ww} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U \\ W \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} g_u \\ g_w \end{bmatrix}' \begin{bmatrix} U \\ W \end{bmatrix} \\ s.t. & U_{\min} \leq U \leq U_{\max} \\ & 0 \leq W \\ & \Delta U_{\min} + I_0 u_{-1} \leq \Lambda U \leq \Delta U_{\max} + I_0 u_{-1} \\ & \Gamma U + W \geq Z_{\min} - c \\ & \Gamma U - W \leq Z_{\max} - c \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \Gamma = \begin{bmatrix} H_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ H_2 & H_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ H_3 & H_2 & H_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & H_3 & H_2 & H_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & H_3 & H_2 & H_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & H_3 & H_2 & H_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -I & I & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -I & I & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -I & I & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -I & I \end{bmatrix} \quad I_0 = \begin{bmatrix} I \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{split}$$

Modified Hessian matrix in interior point algorithm

$$\hat{H}_{uu} = H_{uu} + \Gamma' \hat{D} \Gamma + D_u + \Lambda' D_{\Delta u} \Lambda$$

## Example

### Consider plants of the form

$$\mathbf{Z}(s) = G(s)U(s) + G_d(s)(D(s) + \mathbf{W}(s))$$
$$\mathbf{y}(t_k) = \mathbf{z}(t_k) + \mathbf{v}(t_k)$$

with the transfer functions

$$G(s) = \frac{K(\beta s + 1)}{(\tau_1 s + 1)(\tau_2 s + 1)} e^{-\tau s}$$
$$G_d(s) = \frac{K_d(\beta_d s + 1)}{(\tau_{d1} s + 1)(\tau_{d2} s + 1)} e^{-\tau_d s}$$

Nominal system

$$K = K_d = 1$$
  

$$\tau_1 = \tau_2 = \tau_{d1} = \tau_{d2} = 5$$
  

$$\beta = \beta_d = 2$$
  

$$\tau = \tau_d = 5$$

## Disturbance & Process and Measurement Noise



# Closed Loop Performance for Stochastic Noise



# Closed Loop Performance for Nominal System







# Soft MPC for Stochastic System with Uncertain Gain



# Conclusions

- Norms other than the 2-norm may be better suited for MPC of uncertain systems. The performance improvement can be significant.
- Contributes to longer life time / easier maintenance of MPC systems
- Primal-dual interior point algorithms tailored for MPC at least one magnitude faster than the off the shelf algorithms

### Other issues not discussed in this talk

- Riccati based solvers utilizing the stair-case structure
- Issues related to nonlinear MPC
- Implementation on modern HPC architecture (e.g. GPU)

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### Questions and Comments

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