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## SUMMARY

In this report explicit expressions relevant to goal-oriented a posteriori error analysis of two optimal control problems are given. The first problem considers the trajectory of a particle (can be interpreted as a lane change manoeuvre in vehicle dynamics) and the second problem is a double pendulum (can be viewed as lifting of an arm). This paper is to be considered as supporting material and is not a self-contained complete paper.

KEY WORDS: particle trajectory, movement planning, supplementary material

## 1. Purpose

The purpose of this paper is to collect a set of explicit expressions to support an intended publication regarding a posteriori error estimation for optimal control problem, [1]. Hence, motivations and definitions are sometimes omitted, for instance the definition of relevant function spaces. As the solution method used in [1] involves a lot of rather straightforward differentiations, that would be lengthy in a journal paper these are collected here instead. Differentiation of the abstract forms involved are made as Gâteaux-derivatives, and the following notation will be used:

$$A'_u(\bullet, u; \delta u) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{A(\bullet, u + \delta u \epsilon) - A(\bullet, u)}{\epsilon}.$$

## 2. General format of optimal control problem

We consider the steering of a mechanical system (without feedback) described by the following state equation

$$\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{u})\dot{\mathbf{u}}(t) + \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{u}(t), t) = \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{p}(t), t), \quad t \in [0, T] \quad (1)$$

where  $\mathbf{u}$  is a vector-valued collection of  $N$  state variables, matrix  $\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{u})$  and internal force vector  $\mathbf{J}(\mathbf{u}(t), t)$  define the mechanical system and  $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{p}(t), t)$  is forces emanating from external

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excitation determined by the  $K$  control(s)  $\mathbf{p}(t)$ . We here consider mechanical systems consisting of rigid bodies assembled at joints, although the pertinent formulation can be extended to the situation of elastic bodies. The state  $\mathbf{u}$  must satisfy boundary conditions determined by desired initial and target (end) configuration of the system as follows

$$\mathbf{u}(0) = \mathbf{u}_0, \quad \mathbf{u}(T) = \mathbf{u}_T. \quad (2)$$

The desired control  $\mathbf{p}(t)$  is found as the minimizer to the scalar performance measure (objective functional)

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}). \quad (3)$$

In addition,  $\mathbf{p}$  and  $\mathbf{u}$  must satisfy  $M$  inequality constraints on the form

$$\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}) \leq \mathbf{0}, \quad t \in [0, T]. \quad (4)$$

In summary, the optimal control problem can be formulated as follow: Determine the (vector-valued) control  $\mathbf{p}(t)$  that minimizes the objective function (3) while satisfying the state equation (1), the boundary condition (2) and the (nonlinear) inequality constraint (4).

Upon solving the optimal control problem using a Finite Element approximation, we shall consider a set of measures of the solution, so-called *goal functions*  $\mathcal{Q}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u})$ , of engineering interest in which the effect of discretization errors is to be estimated.

### 2.1. Derivatives of state equation

The state equation is given on weak form as

$$A(\mathbf{u}; \mathbf{v}) = L(\mathbf{p}; \mathbf{v}) \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{V} \quad (5)$$

$$A(\mathbf{u}; \mathbf{v}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \int_0^T \mathbf{v}^T [\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{u})\dot{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{u}, t)] dt, \quad L(\mathbf{p}; \mathbf{v}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \int_0^T \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{p}, t) dt \quad (6)$$

Differentiation wrt  $\mathbf{u}$  gives

$$A'_u(\mathbf{u}; \mathbf{v}, \delta \mathbf{u}) = \int_0^T \mathbf{v}^T [\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{u})\delta \dot{\mathbf{u}} + (\mathbf{M}'_{\mathbf{u}}\delta \mathbf{u})\dot{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{J}'_{\mathbf{u}}\delta \mathbf{u}] dt, \quad L'_p(\mathbf{p}; \mathbf{v}, \delta \mathbf{p}) = \int_0^T \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{f}'_p \delta \mathbf{p} dt. \quad (7)$$

and

$$A''_{uu}(\mathbf{u}; \mathbf{v}, \delta \mathbf{u}_1, \delta \mathbf{u}_2) = \int_0^T (\delta \mathbf{u}_2)^T \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{M}'_{\mathbf{u}} \delta \dot{\mathbf{u}}_1 + (\delta \dot{\mathbf{u}}_2)^T \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{M}'_{\mathbf{u}} \delta \mathbf{u}_1 + (\delta \mathbf{u}_2)^T \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{M}''_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}} \dot{\mathbf{u}} \delta \mathbf{u}_1 + (\delta \mathbf{u}_2)^T \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{J}''_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}} \delta \mathbf{u}_1 dt \quad (8)$$

$$L''_{pp}(\mathbf{p}; \mathbf{v}, \delta \mathbf{p}, \delta \mathbf{p}) = \int_0^T (\delta \mathbf{p})^T \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{f}''_{pp} \delta \mathbf{p} dt \quad (9)$$

where  $\mathbf{M}'_{\mathbf{u}}$ ,  $\mathbf{J}''_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}}$  and  $\mathbf{f}''_{pp}$  are 3-dimensional arrays with suitable indexing, and  $\mathbf{M}''_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}}$  as a 4-dimensional array.

### 2.2. Derivatives of equality constraints

The target condition is enforced weakly as an equality constraint

$$h(\mathbf{u}; \mathbf{v}^h) = (\mathbf{v}^h)^T (\mathbf{u}(T) - \mathbf{u}_T) = 0 \quad \forall \mathbf{v}^h \in \mathbb{R}^N \quad (10)$$

differentiation of  $h$  w.r.t  $\mathbf{u}$  gives

$$h(\mathbf{u}; \mathbf{v}^h, \delta \mathbf{u}) = (\mathbf{v}^h)^T \delta \mathbf{u}(T) \quad (11)$$

and second derivatives are zero.

### 2.3. Derivatives of equality constraints

The inequality constraint is enforced weakly as

$$g(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \mathbf{v}^g) = \int_0^T [\mathbf{v}^g]^\top \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}) dt \leq 0 \quad (12)$$

differentiation of  $g$  w.r.t  $\mathbf{p}$  and  $\mathbf{u}$  gives

$$g'_p(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \mathbf{v}^g, \delta \mathbf{p}) = \int_0^T (\mathbf{v}^g)^\top \mathbf{g}'_p(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}) \delta \mathbf{p} dt, \quad g'_u(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \mathbf{v}^g, \delta \mathbf{u}) = \int_0^T (\mathbf{v}^g)^\top \mathbf{g}'_u(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}) \delta \mathbf{u} dt \quad (13)$$

$$g''_{pp}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \mathbf{v}^g, \delta \mathbf{p}_1, \delta \mathbf{p}_2) = \int_0^T (\delta \mathbf{p}_2)^\top (\mathbf{v}^g)^\top \mathbf{g}''_{pp}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}) \delta \mathbf{p}_1 dt \quad (14)$$

$$g''_{pu}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \mathbf{v}^g, \delta \mathbf{p}, \delta \mathbf{u}) = \int_0^T (\delta \mathbf{p})^\top (\mathbf{v}^g)^\top \mathbf{g}''_{pu}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}) \delta \mathbf{u} dt \quad (15)$$

$$g''_{uu}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \mathbf{v}^g, \delta \mathbf{u}_1, \delta \mathbf{u}_2) = \int_0^T (\delta \mathbf{u}_2)^\top (\mathbf{v}^g)^\top \mathbf{g}''_{uu}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}) \delta \mathbf{u}_1 dt \quad (16)$$

Where  $\mathbf{g}''_{pp}$ ,  $\mathbf{g}''_{pu}$ ,  $\mathbf{g}''_{uu}$  can be defined as 3-dimensional arrays.

*2.3.1. Penalty formulation* A straightforward manner to treat the inequality constraints is to introduce a suitable penalty formulation, where a violation of the constraints is given a cost that is added to the objective function<sup>†</sup>

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}) := \mathcal{F}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}) + \mathcal{F}^{\text{pen}} \quad \mathcal{F}^{\text{pen}} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} a_1 \sum_i^M \int_0^T (\max[0, g_i(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}) - \epsilon])^{a_2} dt \quad (17)$$

where  $a_1$ ,  $a_2$  and  $\epsilon$  are problem-dependant "tuning" parameters for the penalty term. This will give the following expressions for additions to

$$(\mathcal{F}^{\text{pen}})'_p(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{p}) = a_1 a_2 \sum_i^M \int_0^T (\max[0, g_i(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}) - \epsilon])^{(a_2-1)} (g_i)'_p \delta \mathbf{p} dt \quad (18)$$

$$(\mathcal{F}^{\text{pen}})'_u(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{u}) = a_1 a_2 \sum_i^M \int_0^T (\max[0, g_i(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}) - \epsilon])^{(a_2-1)} (g_i)'_u \delta \mathbf{u} dt \quad (19)$$

$$(\mathcal{F}^{\text{pen}})''_{pp}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{p}_1, \delta \mathbf{p}_2) = a_1 a_2 \sum_i^M \int_0^T (\max[0, g_i(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}) - \epsilon])^{(a_2-1)} \quad (20)$$

$$(\delta \mathbf{p}_2)^\top \left[ ((g_i)'_p)^2 + (a_2 - 1) (\max[0, g_i(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}) - \epsilon])^{(a_2-2)} (g_i)''_{pp} \right] \delta \mathbf{p}_1 dt \quad (21)$$

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<sup>†</sup>A penalty formulation for the equality condition  $h(\mathbf{u})$  is also possible along the same lines, but is not further considered here.

$$(\mathcal{F}^{\text{pen}})''_{pu}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta\mathbf{p}, \delta\mathbf{u}) = a_1 a_2 \sum_i^M \int_0^T \max[0, g_i(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}) - \epsilon]^{(a_2-1)} \quad (22)$$

$$(\delta\mathbf{p})^T \left[ (g_i)'_p (g_i)'_u + (a_2 - 1) \max[0, g_i(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}) - \epsilon]^{(a_2-2)} (g_i)''_{pu} \right] \delta\mathbf{u} dt \quad (23)$$

$$(\mathcal{F}^{\text{pen}})''_{uu}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta\mathbf{u}_1, \delta\mathbf{u}_2) = a_1 a_2 \sum_i^M \int_0^T \max[0, g_i(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}) - \epsilon]^{(a_2-1)} \quad (24)$$

$$(\delta\mathbf{u}_2)^T \left[ ((g_i)'_u)^2 + (a_2 - 1) \max[0, g_i(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}) - \epsilon]^{(a_2-2)} (g_i)''_{uu} \right] \delta\mathbf{u}_1 dt \quad (25)$$

### 3. Trajectory control

As a first application, we shall consider a particle trajectory, inspired by a vehicle dynamics problem described in [2]. A particle of unit mass travels in the 2D-plane with external force acting as control, i.e.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{y} \\ \dot{v}_x \\ \dot{v}_y \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} v_x \\ v_y \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ F_x \\ F_y \end{bmatrix} \quad (26)$$

with initial condition  $\mathbf{u}_0 = [0, 10, 30, 0]^T$  and target condition  $\mathbf{u}_T = [100, 0, 20, 0]^T$  to be reached at final time  $T = 4s$ . In addition, we have inequality constraints.

$$\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}) = \begin{bmatrix} (F_x^2 + F_y^2) - (\mu g)^2 \\ v_{\min} - v_x \\ 1 - ((x - x_{p1})/x_{L1})^{N_1} + ((y - y_{p1})/y_{L1})^{N_1} \\ 1 - ((x - x_{p2})/x_{L2})^{N_2} + ((y - y_{p2})/y_{L2})^{N_2} \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} \quad (27)$$

where in the first constraint  $\mu g$  represents a maximum available force (due to friction between vehicle and ground),  $v_{\min}$  is a prescribed minimum speed in  $x$ -direction (to avoid loops), and a number of hyper-ellipsoid obstacles defined by center points  $(x_{pi}, y_{pi})$ , size  $(x_{Li}, y_{Li})$  and exponent  $N_i$  the shape of obstacles ( $N = 2$  for circular obstacles). The first two constraints are convex whereas the latter are not.

#### 3.1. Derivatives of state equation

By defining  $\mathbf{u}$  as vector of state variables  $\mathbf{u} = [x, y, v_x, v_y]^T$  and extracting from (26) we identify

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{J} = \begin{bmatrix} -u_3 \\ -u_4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{f} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ F_x \\ F_y \end{bmatrix} \quad (28)$$



we obtain as derivatives

$$\mathbf{M}'_{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{0}, \quad \mathbf{J}'_{\mathbf{u}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{f}'_{\mathbf{p}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (29)$$

and second derivatives are zero.

### 3.2. Objective functions

To allow for analysis of trade-off between deviation from desired route ( $y = 0$  is a desired route) and forces and forces rates, we express the objective function as

$$\mathcal{F} = \gamma_1 \int_0^T F_x^2 dt + \gamma_2 \int_0^T F_y^2 dt + \gamma_3 \int_0^T x^2 dt + \gamma_4 \int_0^T y^2 dt + \gamma_5 \int_0^T v_x^2 dt + \gamma_6 \int_0^T v_y^2 dt \quad (30)$$

where  $\gamma_1 - \gamma_6$  are parameters to be studied.

$$\mathcal{F}'_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{p}) = 2\gamma_2 \int_0^T F_x \delta F_x dt + 2\gamma_3 \int_0^T F_y \delta F_y dt + 2\gamma_4 \int_0^T \dot{F}_x \delta \dot{F}_x dt + 2\gamma_5 \int_0^T \dot{F}_y \delta \dot{F}_y dt \quad (31)$$

$$\mathcal{F}'_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{u}) = 2\gamma_1 \int_0^T y \delta y dt \quad (32)$$

$$\mathcal{F}''_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{p}, \delta \mathbf{p}) = 2\gamma_2 \int_0^T \delta F_x \delta F_x dt + 2\gamma_3 \int_0^T \delta F_y \delta F_y dt + 2\gamma_4 \int_0^T \delta \dot{F}_x \delta \dot{F}_x dt + 2\gamma_5 \int_0^T \delta \dot{F}_y \delta \dot{F}_y dt \quad (33)$$

$$\mathcal{F}''_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{u}, \delta \mathbf{u}) = 2\gamma_1 \int_0^T \delta y \delta y dt \quad (34)$$

and  $\mathcal{F}''_{\mathbf{p}\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{p}, \delta \mathbf{u}) = 0$

### 3.3. Derivatives of inequality constraints

$$\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}) = \begin{bmatrix} (F_x^2 + F_y^2) - (\mu g)^2 \\ v_{\min} - v_x \\ 1 - ((x - x_{p1})/x_{L1})^{N_1} - ((y - y_{p1})/y_{L1})^{N_1} \\ 1 - ((x - x_{p2})/x_{L2})^{N_2} - ((y - y_{p2})/y_{L2})^{N_2} \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} \quad (35)$$

Derivatives of first constraint

$$(g_1)'_{\mathbf{p}} = \begin{bmatrix} 2F_x \\ 2F_y \end{bmatrix}, \quad (g_1)'_{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{0} \quad (36)$$

$$(g_1)''_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{p}} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (g_1)''_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{0}, \quad (g_1)''_{\mathbf{u},\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{0} \quad (37)$$

Second constraint (minimum speed in x-direction) derivatives

$$(g_2)'_{\mathbf{p}} = \mathbf{0}, \quad (g_2)'_{\mathbf{u}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (38)$$

$$(g_2)''_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{p}} = \mathbf{0}, \quad (g_2)''_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{0}, \quad (g_2)''_{\mathbf{u},\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{0} \quad (39)$$

Obstacle constraint derivatives

$$(g_2)''_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{p}} = \mathbf{0}, \quad (g_2)''_{\mathbf{p},\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{0}, \quad (g_2)''_{\mathbf{u},\mathbf{u}} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{N_1(N_1-1)}{x_{L1}^2}((x-x_{p1})/x_{L1})^{(N_1-2)} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{N_1(N_1-1)}{y_{L1}^2}((y-y_{p1})/y_{L1})^{(N_1-2)} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (40)$$

### 3.4. Goal functions

For the case of trajectory control, the following goal functions were considered

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{Q}_1 &= \mathcal{F}, & \mathcal{Q}_2 &= x(t_s), & \mathcal{Q}_3 &= y(t_s), & \mathcal{Q}_4 &= v_x(t_s), & \mathcal{Q}_5 &= v_y(t_s) \\ \mathcal{Q}_6 &= x^{\text{sim}}(T), & \mathcal{Q}_7 &= y^{\text{sim}}(T), & \mathcal{Q}_8 &= v_x^{\text{sim}}(T), & \mathcal{Q}_9 &= v_y^{\text{sim}}(T), & \mathcal{Q}_{10} &= \int_0^T v_x F_x + v_y F_y dt \end{aligned} \quad (41)$$

where  $x^{\text{sim}}$  and  $y^{\text{sim}}$  refers to a subsequent 'exact' simulation where the discrete solution  $\mathbf{p}_h$  is used, i.e.  $\mathbf{u}^{\text{sim}}$  solves

$$A(\mathbf{u}^{\text{sim}}; \mathbf{v}) = L(\mathbf{p}_h; \mathbf{v}), \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{V}^{\text{sim}} \quad (42)$$

for a very fine mesh  $\mathbb{V}^{\text{sim}}$ . Differentiation of the goal quantities gives:

$$(\mathcal{Q}_1)'_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{p}) = \mathcal{F}'_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{p}), \quad (\mathcal{Q}_1)'_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{u}) = \mathcal{F}'_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{u}) \quad (43)$$

$$(\mathcal{Q}_2)'_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{p}) = 0, \quad (\mathcal{Q}_2)'_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{u}) = \delta x(t_s) \quad (44)$$

$$(\mathcal{Q}_3)'_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{p}) = 0, \quad (\mathcal{Q}_3)'_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{u}) = \delta y(t_s) \quad (45)$$

$$(\mathcal{Q}_4)'_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{p}) = 0, \quad (\mathcal{Q}_4)'_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{u}) = \delta v_x(t_s) \quad (46)$$

$$(\mathcal{Q}_5)'_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{p}) = 0, \quad (\mathcal{Q}_5)'_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{u}) = \delta v_y(t_s) \quad (47)$$

$$(\mathcal{Q}_6)'_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{p}) = d_p x^{\text{sim}}(T), \quad (\mathcal{Q}_6)'_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{u}) = 0 \quad (48)$$

$$(\mathcal{Q}_7)'_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{p}) = d_p y^{\text{sim}}(T), \quad (\mathcal{Q}_7)'_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{u}) = 0 \quad (49)$$

$$(\mathcal{Q}_8)'_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{p}) = d_p v_x^{\text{sim}}(T), \quad (\mathcal{Q}_8)'_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{u}) = 0 \quad (50)$$

$$(\mathcal{Q}_9)'_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{p}) = d_p v_y^{\text{sim}}(T), \quad (\mathcal{Q}_9)'_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{u}) = 0 \quad (51)$$

$$(\mathcal{Q}_{10})'_{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{p}) = \int_0^T v_x \delta F_x + v_y \delta F_y dt, \quad (\mathcal{Q}_{10})'_{\mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}; \delta \mathbf{u}) = \int_0^T \delta v_x F_x + \delta v_y F_y dt \quad (52)$$

Note:  $d_p \mathbf{u}^{\text{sim}}(T)$  needed for goal functions 6-9. that can be solved for from the tangent equation

$$A'_u(\mathbf{u}^{\text{sim}}; \mathbf{v}, d_p \mathbf{u}^{\text{sim}}) = L'_p(\mathbf{p}_h; \mathbf{v}, \delta \mathbf{p}), \quad \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{V}^{\text{sim}}. \quad (53)$$

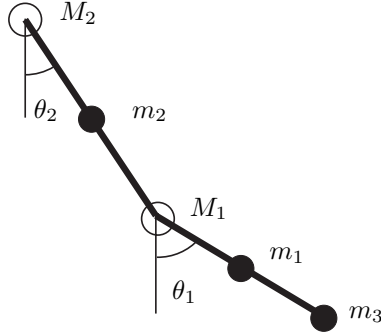


Figure 1. Double pendulum-Lifting

#### 4. Movement planning

As a second example we consider the control of a double pendulum (inspired by a bio-mechanic modeling of a human arm, cf. [3]). The configuration of the pendulum is described by the two angles  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  and is steered by "applied" bending moment  $M_1(t)$ ,  $M_2(t)$  in the joints, defining the controls  $\mathbf{p} = [p_1, p_2]^T = [M_1, M_2]^T$ . The inertia of the pendulum is given by three point masses  $m_1$ - $m_3$ , and the links have lengths  $l_1$  and  $l_2$ .

Initial condition corresponds to a vertical pendulum at rest,  $\mathbf{u}(0) = [0, 0, 0, 0]^T$ , and we consider a target condition that the pendulum should be horizontal and at rest, i.e. that  $\mathbf{u}(T) = [0, 0, \pi/2, \pi/2]^T$ . As constraints we have: The controls has some limited capacity, i.e. the allowable bending moments in the joints are restricted as  $-7.5 = p_{1,min} \leq p_1 \leq p_{1,max} = 20$  and  $-10 = p_{2,min} \leq p_2 \leq p_{2,max} = 10$ . Moreover, the rotation in the second joint is restricted as  $0 = \theta_{\Delta,min} \leq \theta_1 - \theta_2 \leq \theta_{\Delta,max} = \frac{3}{4}\pi$ . The inequality constraints  $\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u})$  are thus defined as

$$\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}) = \begin{bmatrix} -p_1 + p_{1,min} \\ p_1 - p_{1,max} \\ -p_2 + p_{2,min} \\ p_2 - p_{2,max} \\ \theta_2 - \theta_1 + \theta_{\Delta,min} \\ \theta_1 - \theta_2 - \theta_{\Delta,max} \end{bmatrix} \quad (54)$$

Given theses constraints, we seek to find the controls such that the objective function measuring the magnitude of moments and moment velocities exerted in joints is minimized

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{p}) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^T [|\mathbf{p}(t)|^2 + \alpha |\dot{\mathbf{p}}(t)|^2] dt \quad (55)$$

the parameter  $\alpha$  is used the weight between the two components (which in a numerical realization acts as a regularization parameter).

#### 4.1. Derivatives of state equation

The Lagrangian function entailing kinematic and potential energy for the 3-mass double pendulum takes the form

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & l_1^2 \left( \frac{m_1}{4} + m_3 \right) \frac{\dot{\theta}_1^2}{2} + l_2^2 \left( m_1 + \frac{m_2}{4} + m_3 \right) \frac{\dot{\theta}_2^2}{2} \\ & + gl_1 \left( \frac{m_1}{2} + m_3 \right) \cos(\theta_1) + gl_2 \left( m_1 + \frac{m_2}{2} + m_3 \right) \cos(\theta_2) \\ & + l_1 l_2 \left( \frac{m_1}{2} + m_3 \right) \dot{\theta}_1 \dot{\theta}_2 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \end{aligned} \quad (56)$$

from which the Euler-Lagrange equations of motion are obtained as

$$\begin{aligned} l_1^2 \left( \frac{m_1}{4} + m_3 \right) \ddot{\theta}_1 + l_1 l_2 \left( \frac{m_1}{2} + m_3 \right) \left( \ddot{\theta}_2 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + \dot{\theta}_2^2 \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \right) \\ + gl_1 \left( \frac{m_1}{2} + m_3 \right) \sin(\theta_1) = M_1(t) \end{aligned} \quad (57)$$

$$\begin{aligned} l_2^2 \left( m_1 + \frac{m_2}{4} + m_3 \right) \ddot{\theta}_2 + l_1 l_2 \left( \frac{m_1}{2} + m_3 \right) \left( \ddot{\theta}_1 \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2) - \dot{\theta}_1^2 \sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \right) \\ + gl_2 \left( m_1 + \frac{m_2}{2} + m_3 \right) \sin(\theta_2) = M_2(t) \end{aligned} \quad (58)$$

We define  $\mathbf{u}$  as vector of state variables  $\mathbf{u} = [\theta_1, \theta_2, \dot{\theta}_1, \dot{\theta}_2]^T$  from which we identify

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & l_1^2(m_1/4 + m_3) & l_1 l_2(m_1/2 + m_3) \cos(u_1 - u_2) \\ 0 & 0 & l_1 l_2(m_1/2 + m_3) \cos(u_1 - u_2) & l_2^2(m_1 + m_2/4 + m_3) \end{bmatrix} \quad (59)$$

$$\mathbf{J} = \begin{bmatrix} -u_3 \\ -u_4 \\ l_1 l_2(m_1/2 + m_3) u_4^2 \sin(u_1 - u_2) + gl_1 \left( \frac{m_1}{2} + m_3 \right) \sin(u_1) \\ -l_1 l_2(m_1/2 + m_3) u_3^2 \sin(u_1 - u_2) + gl_2 \left( m_1 + \frac{m_2}{2} + m_3 \right) \sin(u_2) \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{f} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ M_1 \\ M_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (60)$$

The derivatives of  $\mathbf{M}$  are obtained as

$$\mathbf{M}'_{u_1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -l_1 l_2(m_1/2 + m_3) \sin(u_1 - u_2) \\ 0 & 0 & -l_1 l_2(m_1/2 + m_3) \sin(u_1 - u_2) & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (61)$$

$$\mathbf{M}'_{u_2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & l_1 l_2(m_1/2 + m_3) \sin(u_1 - u_2) \\ 0 & 0 & l_1 l_2(m_1/2 + m_3) \sin(u_1 - u_2) & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{M}'_{u, u_3} = \mathbf{M}'_{u, u_4} = \mathbf{0} \quad (62)$$

$$\mathbf{M}''_{u_1, u_1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -l_1 l_2 (m_1/2 + m_3) \cos(u_1 - u_2) \\ 0 & 0 & -l_1 l_2 (m_1/2 + m_3) \cos(u_1 - u_2) & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (63)$$

$$\mathbf{M}''_{u_1, u_2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & l_1 l_2 (m_1/2 + m_3) \cos(u_1 - u_2) \\ 0 & 0 & l_1 l_2 (m_1/2 + m_3) \cos(u_1 - u_2) & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (64)$$

$$\mathbf{M}''_{u_2, u_1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & l_1 l_2 (m_1/2 + m_3) \cos(u_1 - u_2) \\ 0 & 0 & l_1 l_2 (m_1/2 + m_3) \cos(u_1 - u_2) & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (65)$$

$$\mathbf{M}''_{u_2, u_2} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -l_1 l_2 (m_1/2 + m_3) \cos(u_1 - u_2) \\ 0 & 0 & -l_1 l_2 (m_1/2 + m_3) \cos(u_1 - u_2) & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (66)$$

with all other components of  $\mathbf{M}''_{\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{0}$ . Furthermore, for derivatives of  $\mathbf{J}$ , we consider each component individually:

$$((\mathbf{J})_1)'_{\mathbf{u}} = [0 \ 0 \ -1 \ 0]^T, \quad ((\mathbf{J})_1)''_{uu} = \mathbf{0} \quad (67)$$

$$((\mathbf{J})_2)'_{\mathbf{u}} = [0 \ 0 \ 0 \ -1]^T, \quad ((\mathbf{J})_2)''_{uu} = \mathbf{0} \quad (68)$$

$$((\mathbf{J})_3)'_{\mathbf{u}} = \begin{bmatrix} l_1 l_2 (m_1/2 + m_3) u_4^2 \cos(u_1 - u_2) + g l_1 (m_1/2 + m_3) \cos(u_1) \\ -l_1 l_2 (m_1/2 + m_3) u_4^2 \cos(u_1 - u_2) \\ 0 \\ 2l_1 l_2 (m_1/2 + m_3) u_4 \sin(u_1 - u_2) \end{bmatrix} \quad (69)$$

$$((\mathbf{J})_3)''_{u_1} \mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -l_1 l_2 (m_1/2 + m_3) u_4^2 \sin(u_1 - u_2) - g l_1 (m_1/2 + m_3) \sin(u_1) \\ l_1 l_2 (m_1/2 + m_3) u_4^2 \sin(u_1 - u_2) \\ 0 \\ 2l_1 l_2 (m_1/2 + m_3) u_4 \cos(u_1 - u_2) \end{bmatrix} \quad (70)$$

$$((\mathbf{J})_3)''_{u_2} \mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} l_1 l_2 (m_1/2 + m_3) u_4^2 \sin(u_1 - u_2) \\ -l_1 l_2 (m_1/2 + m_3) u_4^2 \sin(u_1 - u_2) \\ 0 \\ -2l_1 l_2 (m_1/2 + m_3) u_4 \cos(u_1 - u_2) \end{bmatrix} \quad (71)$$

$$((\mathbf{J})_3)''_{u_3} \mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (72)$$

$$((\mathbf{J})_3)''_{u_4} \mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 2l_1l_2(m_1/2 + m_3)u_4 \cos(u_1 - u_2) \\ -2l_1l_2(m_1/2 + m_3)u_4 \cos(u_1 - u_2) \\ 0 \\ 2l_1l_2(m_1/2 + m_3) \sin(u_1 - u_2) \end{bmatrix} \quad (73)$$

$$((\mathbf{J})_4)'_{\mathbf{u}} = \begin{bmatrix} l_1l_2(m_1/2 + m_3)u_3^2 \cos(u_1 - u_2) \\ -l_1l_2(m_1/2 + m_3)u_3^2 \cos(u_1 - u_2) + gl_2(m_1 + \frac{m_2}{2} + m_3) \cos(u_2) \\ -2l_1l_2(m_1/2 + m_3)u_3 \sin(u_1 - u_2) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (74)$$

$$((\mathbf{J})_4)''_{u_1} \mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -l_1l_2(m_1/2 + m_3)u_3^2 \sin(u_1 - u_2) \\ l_1l_2(m_1/2 + m_3)u_3^2 \sin(u_1 - u_2) \\ 2l_1l_2(m_1/2 + m_3)u_3 \cos(u_1 - u_2) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (75)$$

$$((\mathbf{J})_4)''_{u_2} \mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} l_1l_2(m_1/2 + m_3)u_3^2 \sin(u_1 - u_2) \\ -l_1l_2(m_1/2 + m_3)u_3^2 \sin(u_1 - u_2) - gl_2(m_1 + \frac{m_2}{2} + m_3) \sin(u_2) \\ -2l_1l_2(m_1/2 + m_3)u_3 \cos(u_1 - u_2) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (76)$$

$$((\mathbf{J})_4)''_{u_3} \mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -2l_1l_2(m_1/2 + m_3)u_3 \cos(u_1 - u_2) \\ 2l_1l_2(m_1/2 + m_3)u_3 \cos(u_1 - u_2) \\ -2l_1l_2(m_1/2 + m_3) \sin(u_1 - u_2) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (77)$$

$$((\mathbf{J})_4)''_{u_4} \mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (78)$$

Finally,

$$\mathbf{f}'_{\mathbf{p}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{f}''_{\mathbf{p}\mathbf{p}} = \mathbf{0} \quad (79)$$

#### 4.2. Derivatives of inequality constraints

Recalling

$$\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{u}) = \begin{bmatrix} -p_1 + p_{1,min} \\ p_1 - p_{1,max} \\ -p_2 + p_{2,min} \\ p_2 - p_{2,max} \\ \theta_2 - \theta_1 + \theta_{\Delta,min} \\ \theta_1 - \theta_2 - \theta_{\Delta,max} \end{bmatrix} \quad (80)$$

we have the following component derivatives

$$(g_1)'_{\mathbf{p}} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (g_1)'_{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{0} \quad (81)$$

$$(g_2)'_{\mathbf{p}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (g_2)'_{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{0} \quad (82)$$

$$(g_3)'_{\mathbf{p}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (g_3)'_{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{0} \quad (83)$$

$$(g_4)'_{\mathbf{p}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (g_4)'_{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{0} \quad (84)$$

$$(g_5)'_{\mathbf{p}} = \mathbf{0}, \quad (g_5)'_{\mathbf{u}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (85)$$

$$(g_6)'_{\mathbf{p}} = \mathbf{0}, \quad (g_6)'_{\mathbf{u}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (86)$$

Due to its linear nature of the constraints, all second derivatives of  $\mathbf{g}$  are zero.

#### 4.3. Goal functions

For the case of movement planning, the following goal functions were considered

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{Q}_1 &= \mathcal{F}, & \mathcal{Q}_2 &= \theta_1(t_s), & \mathcal{Q}_3 &= \theta_2(t_s), & \mathcal{Q}_4 &= \dot{\theta}_1(t_s), & \mathcal{Q}_5 &= \dot{\theta}_2(t_s) \\ \mathcal{Q}_6 &= \theta_1^{\text{sim}}(T), & \mathcal{Q}_7 &= \theta_2^{\text{sim}}(T), & \mathcal{Q}_8 &= \dot{\theta}_1^{\text{sim}}(T), & \mathcal{Q}_9 &= \dot{\theta}_2^{\text{sim}}(T), & \mathcal{Q}_{10} &= \int_0^T M_1 \dot{\theta}_1 + M_2 \dot{\theta}_2 dt \end{aligned} \quad (87)$$

which are in direct analogy to the trajectory control example above.

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