

In this exercise we will simulate motion of a system resembling the eye. Our objective is to find the motor commands that minimize endpoint variance.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.001 & 0 \\ -0.34 & 0.92 & 0.34 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0.1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{x}^{(n)} = A\mathbf{x}^{(n-1)} + \mathbf{b}(u^{(n-1)} + \varepsilon^{(n-1)}) + \eta^{(n-1)}$$

$$\varepsilon^{(i)} \sim N\left(0, \kappa^2 (u^{(i)})^2\right)$$

$$\eta^{(i)} \sim N(0, \sigma_\eta^2)$$

The step size is 0.001 sec.

We wish to minimize variance at time step p , and then maintain the eye at the target g for duration k .

$$J = \text{var} \left[\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{x}^{(p)} \right]$$

$$\mathbf{s}^T E \left[\mathbf{x}^{(p+i-1)} \right] = g \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq k$$

$$\mathbf{s} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The augmented cost to minimize is as follows:

$$J = \text{var} \left[\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{x}^{(p)} \right] + \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i \left(\mathbf{s}^T E \left[\mathbf{x}^{(p+i-1)} \right] - g \right)$$

$$E \left[\mathbf{x}^{(m)} \right] = A^m \mathbf{x}^{(0)} + \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} A^{m-1-j} \mathbf{b} u^{(j)}$$

$$J = \text{var} \left[\mathbf{s}^T \mathbf{x}^{(p)} \right] + \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i \left(\mathbf{s}^T A^{p+i-1} \mathbf{x}^{(0)} - g + \sum_{j=0}^{p+i-2} \mathbf{s}^T A^{p+i-2-j} \mathbf{b} u^{(j)} \right)$$

The starting point is: $\mathbf{x}^{(0)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ Target is at: $g = \frac{\pi}{5}$

p is 120 (i.e., 0.120 sec) (this is the duration of the movement), and hold time k is 50 (i.e., 0.050sec) (this is the duration of the period post movement completion).

The state vector represents position, velocity, and force: $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ \dot{x} \\ f \end{bmatrix}$

Assuming no signal dependent noise, i.e., $\kappa = 0$

compute the optimal motor commands and plot it. Also plot the resulting position and velocity (in deg and deg/sec, rather than in radians).

Now repeat the process using signal dependent noise $\kappa = 0.00006$

Compute the optimal motor commands and plot it. Also plot the resulting position and velocity.

Note that presence of non-signal dependent noise has not bearing on the solution.