

Discrete - time DP

$$V(x, \tau) = \max_u \left\{ \mathcal{L}(x, u) + V(x_+, \tau+1) \right\}$$

$\downarrow$   
 $x_+ = f(x, u)$

$$u^*(x_0, t^*) = \arg \max_u \left\{ \mathcal{L}(x_0, u) + V(x_+, t+1) \right\}$$


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Continuous - time DP

$$\frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \max_u \left\{ \mathcal{L}(x, u) + \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \cdot f(x, u) \right\} = 0$$

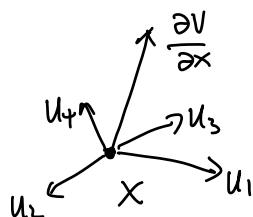
$$u^*(x, t) = \arg \max_u \left\{ \mathcal{L}(x, u) + \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} \cdot f(x, u) \right\}$$

$$\min \left\{ \ell(x) - V(x, t), \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} + \max_u \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \cdot f(x, u) \right\} = 0$$

$V(x, \tau) = \ell(x)$

$$\underline{u^*(x, t) = \arg \max_u \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \cdot f(x, u)}$$

$\uparrow$   
safety controller



intuitively,  $u^*$  is trying to move the system towards an increasing value. i.e. steers away from the failure set

\* if the system starts in  $BRT^C$ ,  
 then  $u^*$  will keep the system outside the failure set.

If  $BRT$  converges,  $V(x, t) \equiv V^*(x) \quad \forall t < T$

then 
$$u^*(x) = \underset{u}{\operatorname{argmax}} \frac{\partial V^*(x)}{\partial x} \cdot f(x, u)$$

For control affine system:  $f(x, u) = f_1(x) + f_2(x)u$

$$\frac{\partial V^*(x)}{\partial x} \cdot f(x, u) = \frac{\partial V^*(x)}{\partial x} \cdot f_1(x) + \frac{\partial V^*(x)}{\partial x} f_2(x)u$$

$$\begin{aligned} u^*(x) &= \underset{u}{\operatorname{argmax}} \left\{ \frac{\partial V^*(x)}{\partial x} \cdot f_1(x) + \frac{\partial V^*(x)}{\partial x} \cdot f_2(x)u \right\} \\ &= \underset{u}{\operatorname{argmax}} \frac{\partial V^*(x)}{\partial x} \cdot f_2(x)u \end{aligned}$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} z \\ v \end{bmatrix} \quad \dot{z} = v \quad |u| \leq \bar{u}$$

$$\dot{v} = ku + g$$

$$f(x, u) = \begin{bmatrix} v \\ ku + g \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v \\ g \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ k \end{bmatrix}u$$

$\underbrace{f_1(x)}$        $\underbrace{f_2(x)}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 u^*(x) &= \arg \max_u \frac{\partial V^*}{\partial x} \cdot f(x, u) \quad \frac{\partial V^*}{\partial x} = \begin{bmatrix} P_1(x) \\ P_2(x) \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \arg \max_u \begin{bmatrix} P_1(x) & P_2(x) \end{bmatrix} \left( \begin{bmatrix} v \\ g \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ k \end{bmatrix} u \right) \\
 &= \arg \max_u \left[ (P_1(x)v + P_2(x)g) + P_2(x)ku \right] \\
 &= \arg \max_u P_2(x)ku
 \end{aligned}$$

$$u^*(x) = \begin{cases} \bar{u} & \text{if } P_2(x) \geq 0 \\ -\bar{u} & \text{if } P_2(x) < 0 \end{cases} \quad \leftarrow \text{Bang-bang control}$$


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$$V : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$\begin{array}{ll}
 \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} : \mathbb{R}^n & V : \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\
 \frac{\partial V}{\partial t} : \mathbb{R} & \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} P_1(x) \\ P_2(x) \end{bmatrix}
 \end{array}$$


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Ex planar car

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} P_x \\ P_y \\ \theta \end{bmatrix} \quad f(x, u) = \begin{bmatrix} v \cos \theta \\ v \sin \theta \\ w \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Diagram of a planar car with position } (P_x, P_y) \text{ and orientation } \theta. \end{array}$$

$$\text{control: } u \geq w \quad \text{s.t.} \quad |w| \leq \bar{w}$$

$$f(x, u) = \begin{bmatrix} v \cos \theta \\ v \sin \theta \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} u$$

$\underbrace{\phantom{0}}_{f_1(x)}$ 
 $\underbrace{\phantom{0}}_{f_2(x)}$

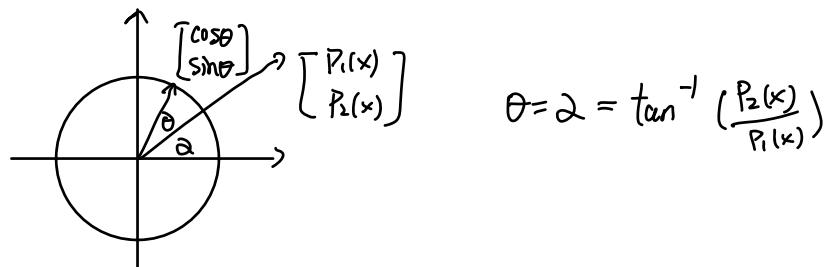
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 &= \operatorname{argmax}_u \frac{\partial v^*}{\partial x} \cdot f_2(x) u \\
 &= \operatorname{argmax}_u P_3(x) u \\
 &= \begin{cases} \bar{u} & \text{if } P_3(x) \geq 0 \\ -\bar{u} & \text{if } P_3(x) < 0 \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

$\frac{\partial v^*}{\partial x} = \begin{bmatrix} P_1(x) \\ P_2(x) \\ P_3(x) \end{bmatrix}$

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**Ex**  $x = \begin{bmatrix} P_x \\ P_y \end{bmatrix}$   $f(x, u) = \begin{bmatrix} v \cos \theta \\ v \sin \theta \end{bmatrix}$   $u = \theta$

$$\begin{aligned}
 u^*(x) &= \operatorname{argmax}_u \frac{\partial v^*}{\partial x} \cdot f(x, u) \\
 &= \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} P_1(x) v \cos \theta + P_2(x) v \sin \theta \\
 &= \operatorname{argmax}_{\theta} v (P_1(x) \sin \theta + P_2(x) \cos \theta)
 \end{aligned}$$



## Safety filtering

$U_{\text{nom}}(x) \rightarrow$  performance / nominal controller

(A)  $U^*(x) = \begin{cases} U_{\text{nom}}(x) & \text{if system is safe} \Leftrightarrow V^*(x) > 0 > \epsilon \\ U_{\text{safe}}^*(x) & \text{if system is at risk} \Leftrightarrow V^*(x) \rightarrow 0 \leq \epsilon \end{cases}$

(A) is least restrict safety filtering in practice