Previously on MLRG

Closed loop control



LQR





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Solving for K



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Go to
$$x^*$$
 min control
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LQR \downarrow Model Predictive Control \downarrow Nonlinear Learning \downarrow \downarrow Explore/Exploit Constraints \downarrow safe RL

Today



Find K a priori



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Find *u* at every step

















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$$\min_{\substack{u_{t+1},...,u_{t+H}}} \sum_{i=1}^{H} x_{t+i}^{\top} Q x_{t+i} + u_{t+i}^{\top} R u_{t+i}$$

s.t. $x_{i+1} = A(x_t) x_i + B(x_t) u_i$

or
$$u_t = K x_t$$

or
$$u_t, ..., u_{t+H} = NN(x_t, \theta)$$

more flexible and hungry

MPC

Replace full planning by local optimization

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Start with (A_0, B_0) , update as you go

Learning safely?

Safety Correct models Explore/Exploit Uncertainty

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Ensure we don't crash

avoid known bad outcomes / stay within known safe regime

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Loss = J



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 $\mathsf{Loss} = \mathbb{E}[J] + \mathbb{E}[(J - \mathbb{E}[J])^2]$



Loss = $\mathbb{E}[J]$, but with safety constraints







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For (μ, σ) and β , with high probability

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Gaussian Processes Crash Course

Kernel k(x, y)

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Squared exponential



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Matérn 0.5



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Kernel k(x, y)

Linear regression: $||Xw - y||^2$

Kernel regression: $||Kw - y||^2$ where $K_{ij} = k(x_i, x_j)$

+ Covariances

Exploration/Exploitation



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Ideal result



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 $g(f(x, u = Model(x, \theta)))$

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Linearized uncertainty propagation







One last thing...





Simultaneous planning



Simultaneous planning



- A safe default controller
- A definition of the boundaries
- A well specified Gaussian Process
- The Lipschitz constant of the model error
- Bayesian Optimization Model Predictive Control