On Optimal Sampling for Event-Based Control

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Goal

Minimize $||T_{zw}||_2^2 := \lim_{T\to\infty}$ $E[\frac{1}{7}]$ $\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \|z(t)\|_2^2 dt$ w.r.t $\mathscr{S}, \bar{K}, \mathscr{H}$ and sampling

Why?

- Most efficient use of sampling
- To lower energy consumption
- To reduce risk for congestion

Lower Bound on $\|T_{zu}\|_2^2$ 2

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with optimal cost

 $||T_{zw}||_2^2 = \gamma_0^2 = \text{Tr}(B_w^T X B_w) + \text{Tr}(C_z Y C_z^T) + \text{Tr}(X A Y + Y A^T X)$

- No sampled-data controller can beat γ_0^2
- How close can we get?

[Mirkin 2017, Th 5.1]

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where *H* is a reset system driven by white process ϵ with intensity $D_{yw}D_{yw}^T$:

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H: \begin{cases} \dot{x}_{\text{H}}(t) = Ax_{\text{H}}(t) - K\epsilon, & x_{\text{H}}(t_i) = 0\\ \eta(t) = -(D_{zu}^T D_{zu})^{\frac{1}{2}} Lx_{\text{H}}(t) \end{cases}
$$

Degradation from sampling given by average variance of *η***!**

[Mirkin 2017]

The optimal sampled-data controller can be realized as:

Remark:
$$
x_{H} = x_{a} - x_{s}
$$
 and $\epsilon = y - C_{y}x_{s}$

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Define $\phi(x_H): x_H \to \{0, 1\}$ and let $\{t_i\} = \{t | \phi(x_H(t)) = 1\}.$

Optimal Sampling Goal:

Optimal Reset Control [Henningsson 2012]

Reset System:

$$
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Note: Identical to our optimization problem if: $Q = L^T D_{zu}^T D_{zu}^T L$ $R = K D_{yw} D_{yw}^T K^T$

Optimal sampling problem can be re-formulated as finding a *value function* $V(x)$:

[Henningsson 2012, Paper II, Th 1]

Suppose a bounded function $V(x)$ and constant *J* are found satisfying

$$
x^{T}Qx + x^{T}A^{T}\nabla V + \frac{1}{2}\text{Tr}(R\nabla^{2}V) \ge J \quad (1)
$$

$$
\rho \ge V(x) - V(0) \quad (2)
$$

where for each *x* equality is achieved in either [\(1\)](#page-16-0) or [\(2\)](#page-16-1). Then the optimal cost is *J* and it's optimal to trigger when equality is achieved in [\(2\)](#page-16-1).

[Henningsson 2012]

A closed-form solution exists for the integrator case:

$$
V(x) = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{4}g(x)^2, & g(x) \ge 0\\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}
$$

where

$$
g(x) = 2\sqrt{\rho} - x^T P x
$$

and *P* is the solution to the Riccati-like equation

$$
PRP + \frac{1}{2}\operatorname{Tr}(RP)P = Q
$$

Integrator Case: A = 0

The optimal trigger bound is the ellipsoid $x^T P x = 2\sqrt{p}$. "Shape" of P depends on *Q* and *R* (here, $\rho = 1$):

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- Periodic ZOH LQG
- [Mirkin 2017] + Periodic Sampling
- LQR with Particle Filter + Send-On-Delta Sampling
- [Mirkin 2017] + Optimal Sampling

Example, A=0

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In fact, for any n^{th} order integrator system, the ratio is:

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1 + \frac{2}{n} \le \frac{\text{Periodic}}{\text{Optimal}} \le 3
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Numerically Obtained $V(x)$

Numerically Obtained *V* (*x*)

 $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

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\frac{1}{2}
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- Problem: Co-design of controller and sampling strategy
- Nice result from Mirkin makes the problem separable.
- Similar work by Toivo directly applicable to the sampling problem.
- $A = 0$ case solved, $A \neq 0$ only numerically.
- Any hypothesis can be verified/rejected with PDE for $V(x)$.

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