

Dynamic STACKELBERG Games

Given a dynamic system controlled by two players

$$\dot{x} = f(x, u_1, u_2), \quad x(t_0) = x_0$$

and

$$J_1 = \int_{t_0}^{t_f} L_1(x, u_1, u_2) dt + g_1(x(t_f))$$

$$J_2 = \int_{t_0}^{t_f} L_2(x, u_1, u_2) dt + g_2(x(t_f))$$

Each player has a performance criterion.
Each player minimizes his own criterion.
P1 is the leader, and P2 is the follower.

This is the game with sequential decision making, the leader solves the overall optimization problem by treating the optimization problem of the follower as an additional constraint.

FOLLOWER'S OPTIMIZATION PROBLEM

$$H_2 = L_2(x, u_1, u_2) + p_2^T f(x, u_1, u_2)$$

$$(1) \begin{cases} \dot{x} = \frac{\partial H_2}{\partial p_2} = f(x, u_1, u_2), & x(t_0) = x_0 \\ \dot{p}_2^T = -\frac{\partial H_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial H_2}{\partial u_1} \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x}, & p(t_f) = \frac{\partial g(x(t_f))}{\partial x} \\ 0 = \frac{\partial H_2}{\partial u_2} \end{cases}$$

these are the necessary conditions for optimum (minimize), as derived in the context

of Nash games. We will assume that both players use feedback strategies, hence

$$\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x} \neq 0 \text{ and } \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x} \neq 0$$

(1) Basically defines the reaction of P2 to any strategy u_1 of P1.

LEADER'S OPTIMIZATION PROBLEM

Static constraint $\frac{\partial H_2}{\partial u_2} = 0$

$$\tilde{H}_1 = \underbrace{L_1 + p_1^T f}_{= H_1} + \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial H_2}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial H_2}{\partial u_1} \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x} \right) \eta}_{\text{comes from a dynamic constraint}} + \frac{\partial H_2}{\partial u_1} f$$

The necessary optimality conditions for the leader are:

(2)
$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = \frac{\partial \tilde{H}_1}{\partial p_1} = f_1(x, u_1, u_2), & x(t_0) = x_0 \\ \dot{p}_1^T = - \frac{\partial \tilde{H}_1}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \tilde{H}_1}{\partial u_1} \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \tilde{H}_1}{\partial u_2} \frac{\partial u_2}{\partial x}, & p_1(t_f) = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(t_f) \\ \dot{p}_2^T = - \frac{\partial \tilde{H}_1}{\partial \eta} = - \frac{\partial H_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial H_2}{\partial u_1} \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x}, & p_2(t_f) = \frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(t_f) \\ \dot{\eta}^T = - \frac{\partial \tilde{H}_1}{\partial p_2} = - \frac{\partial H_1}{\partial p_2} - \frac{\partial}{\partial p_2} \left[\left(\frac{\partial H_2}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial H_2}{\partial u_1} \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x} \right) \eta + \frac{\partial H_2}{\partial u_1} f \right] \\ & \eta(t_0) = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} 0 &= \frac{\partial \tilde{H}_1}{\partial u_1} \\ 0 &= \frac{\partial \tilde{H}_1}{\partial u_2} \\ 0 &= \frac{\partial H_2}{\partial u_2} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow u_1, u_2, \bar{p}$$

Substituting u_1, u_2, \bar{p} in (2) we get the two point boundary value problem of the form

$$\dot{x} = f, \quad x(t_0) = x_0$$

$$\dot{\eta} = \psi_1, \quad \eta(t_0) = 0$$

$$\dot{p}_1 = \psi_2, \quad p_1(t_f) = \frac{\partial \phi_1}{\partial x}(t_f)$$

$$\dot{p}_2 = \psi_3, \quad p_2(t_f) = \frac{\partial \phi_2}{\partial x}(t_f)$$

LINEAR-QUADRATIC STACKELBERG

$$\dot{x} = Ax + B_1 u_1 + B_2 u_2, \quad x(t_0) = x_0$$

$$J_1 = \frac{1}{2} \int_{t_0}^{t_f} (x^T Q_1 x + u_1^T R_{11} u_1 + u_2^T R_{22} u_2) dt + \frac{1}{2} x^T(t_f) F_1 x(t_f)$$

$$J_2 = \frac{1}{2} \int_{t_0}^{t_f} (x^T Q_2 x + u_1^T R_{21} u_1 + u_2^T R_{22} u_2) dt + \frac{1}{2} x^T(t_f) F_2 x(t_f)$$

$Q_1, Q_2, F_1, F_2 \geq 0$ and symmetric

$$R_{11} = R_{11}^T > 0, \quad R_{22} = R_{22}^T > 0$$

$$R_{21} = R_{21}^T \geq 0, \quad R_{12} = R_{12}^T \geq 0$$

The follower's problem:

$$H_2 = \frac{1}{2} (x^T Q_2 x + u_1^T R_{21} u_1 + u_2^T R_{22} u_2) + p_2^T (Ax + B_1 u_1 + B_2 u_2)$$

follower's necessary conditions

$$\dot{x} = Ax + B_1 u_1 + B_2 u_2, \quad x(t_0) = x_0$$

$$\dot{p}_2 = -\frac{\partial H_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial H_2}{\partial u_1} \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x} = -Q_2 x - (B_1^T p_2 + R_{21} u_1) \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x}$$

$$0 = \frac{\partial H_2}{\partial u_2} = R_{22} u_2 + B_2^T p_2 \Rightarrow \boxed{u_2 = -R_{22}^{-1} B_2^T p_2}$$

Assume that $\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x} = 0 \Rightarrow$ open-loop strategy for the leader

For $\frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x} \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ closed-loop Stackelberg for the leader

The leader's problem:

$$\tilde{H}_1 = \frac{1}{2} (x^T Q_1 x + u_1^T R_{11} u_1 + u_2^T R_{22} u_2) + p_1^T (Ax + B_1 u_1 + B_2 u_2) + \left(-\frac{\partial H_2}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial H_2}{\partial u_1} \frac{\partial u_1}{\partial x} \right) \eta^T + \frac{\partial H_2}{\partial u_2} \eta$$

$$\underbrace{\quad\quad\quad}_{= -Q_2 x - A^T p_2} \quad \underbrace{\quad\quad\quad}_{R_{22} u_2 + B_2^T p_2 = 0}$$

$$\tilde{H}_1 = \frac{1}{2} (x^T Q_1 x + u_1^T R_{11} u_1 + p_2^T B_2 R_{22}^{-1} R_{12} R_{22}^{-1} B_2^T p_2) - (Q_2 x + A^T p_2) \eta$$

So far we have

$$(3) \begin{cases} \dot{x} = Ax - B_2 R_{22}^{-1} B_2^T p_2 + B_1 u_1 \\ \dot{p}_2 = -Q_2 x - A^T p_2 \end{cases}$$

and

$$(4) \begin{cases} J_1 = \frac{1}{2} \int_{t_0}^{t_f} (x^T Q_1 x + u_1^T R_{11} u_1 + p_2^T B_2 R_{22}^{-1} R_{12} R_{22}^{-1} B_2^T p_2) dt + \frac{1}{2} x^T(t_f) F_1 x(t_f) \end{cases}$$

(3) and (4) represent an augmented linear system

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{p}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} A & -B_2 R_{22}^{-1} B_2^T \\ -Q_2 & -A^T \end{bmatrix}}_A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ p_2 \end{bmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}_B u_1$$

and augmented quadratic performance criterion

$$J_1 = \frac{1}{2} \int_{t_0}^{t_f} \left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ p_2 \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} Q_1 & 0 \\ 0 & B_2 R_{22}^{-1} R_{12} R_{22}^{-1} B_2^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ p_2 \end{bmatrix} + u_1^T R_{11} u_1 \right) dt + \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} x(t_f) \\ p_2(t_f) \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} F_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x(t_f) \\ p_2(t_f) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow u_1^{opt} = -R_{11}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} B_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} K \begin{bmatrix} x(t) \\ p_2(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

the TPBYP of the
 state-costate eqs.
 (open-loop control for P1)
 $2n \times 2n$

$$A^T K + K A + Q - K B R_{11}^{-1} B^T K = 0$$

note K is
doubled