



Understanding Concepts of Optimization and Optimal Control with WORHP Lab

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WORHP - minimalsurface

File View Optimization

NLP Zen

Dimension N 15

Structures Structures using NaN

Variables

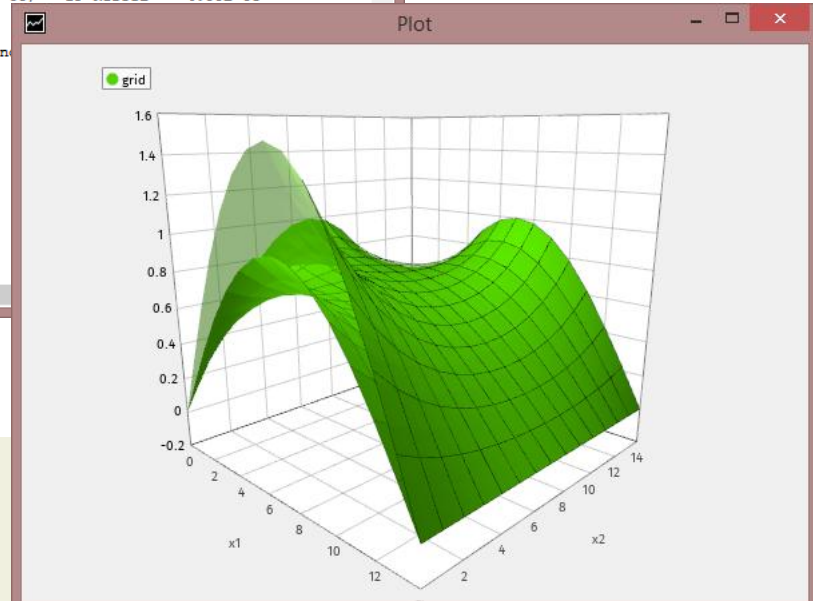
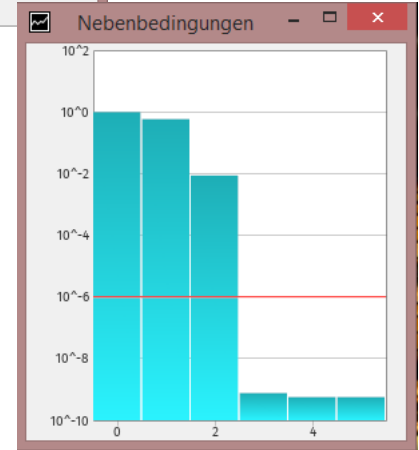
| Name | Symbol | Interval | Type | Init | Dimension |
|-------------|--------|----------|-----------|--------|-----------|
| grid | u | 0,1,5 | parameter | 0, ... | N,N |
| period | k | | zen | 1 | |
| amplitude A | | | zen | 1 | |
| weight | x | | zen | 1 | |

Objective

```
1 for (int i=1;i<u.dim1-1;i++) {
2   for (int j=1;j<u.dim2-1;j++) {
3
4     double ux = (u[i+1][j]-u[i-1][j]) / 2;
5     double uy = (u[i][j+1]-u[i][j-1]) / 2;
6     double uxx = (u[i+1][j]+u[i-1][j]-2*u[i]
7     double uyy = (u[i][j+1]+u[i][j-1]-2*u[i]
8     double uxy = ((u[i+1][j+1]-u[i-1][j+1])
9
10    double tmp = (1+ux*ux)*uyy - x*2*ux*uy
11    obj += tmp*tmp;
```

Constraints

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WORHP -----
WORHP This is WORHP 1.8-a8df259, the European NLP-solver.
WORHP Use of WORHP is subject to terms and conditions.
WORHP Visit http://www.worhp.de for more information.
WORHP -----
WORHP
WORHP Total number of variables ..... 225
WORHP      variables with lower bound only 0
WORHP      variables with lower and upper bound 225
WORHP      variables with upper bound only 0
WORHP Total number of box constraints ..... 450
WORHP Total number of other constraints ..... 60
WORHP      equality constraints 60
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WORHP      inequality constraints with lower and upper bound 0
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WORHP Gradient (user) 225/225 = 100.000%
WORHP Jacobian (user) 13500/13500 = 100.000%
WORHP Hessian (user) 25425/25425 = 100.000%
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WORHP NLP Method Filter QP Method Interior-Point
WORHP NLP MaxIter 10000 QP MaxIter 500
WORHP LA solver MA97 (tol 1.0E-09, ref 10, ord METIS/AMD, scl none)
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WORHP Tolerances:
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WORHP Feasibility 1.00E-06 (1.0E-03) IP ResTol 4.00E-08
WORHP Complementarity 1.00E-03
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Overview

WORHP Lab

WORHP

Introduction to GUI
Definition of problem

WORHP Zen

Sensitivity derivatives
Usage in

- WORHP
- TransWORHP

TransWORHP

Direct methods
Grid refinement
Sparsity Structures
MPC



The WORHP Family

We Optimize Really Huge Problems

WORHP

- Sparse NLP solver
- **Official ESA NLP solver**
- Parallel linear algebra
- 99.8% of AMPL CUTEr testset
- Industrial standard
- Interfaces to Fortran/C/Matlab

Funding



Development

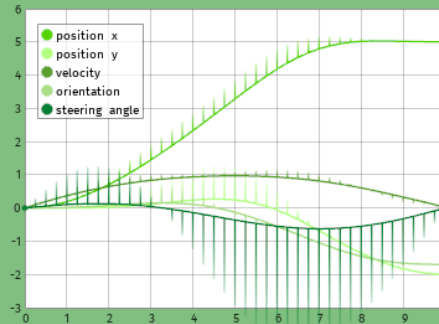


Subpartner



WORHP Zen

- Parametric sensitivity analysis
- Postoptimality analysis tool
- No computational cost



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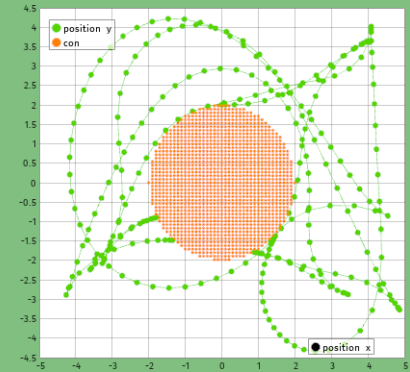


Development



TransWORHP

- Sparse OCP solver
- Full discretization or shooting
- Multiple Phases
- MPC



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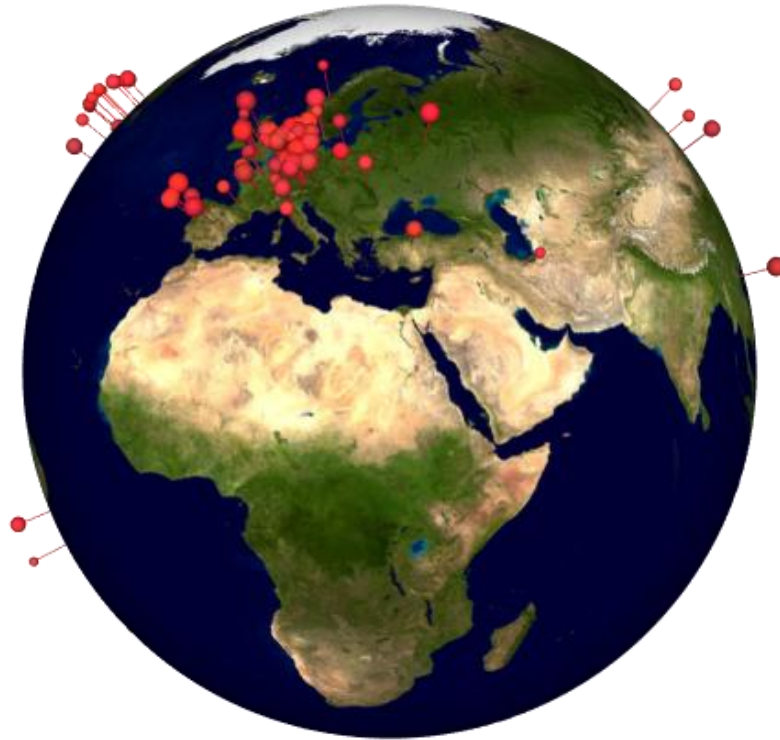


Development





WORHP Community

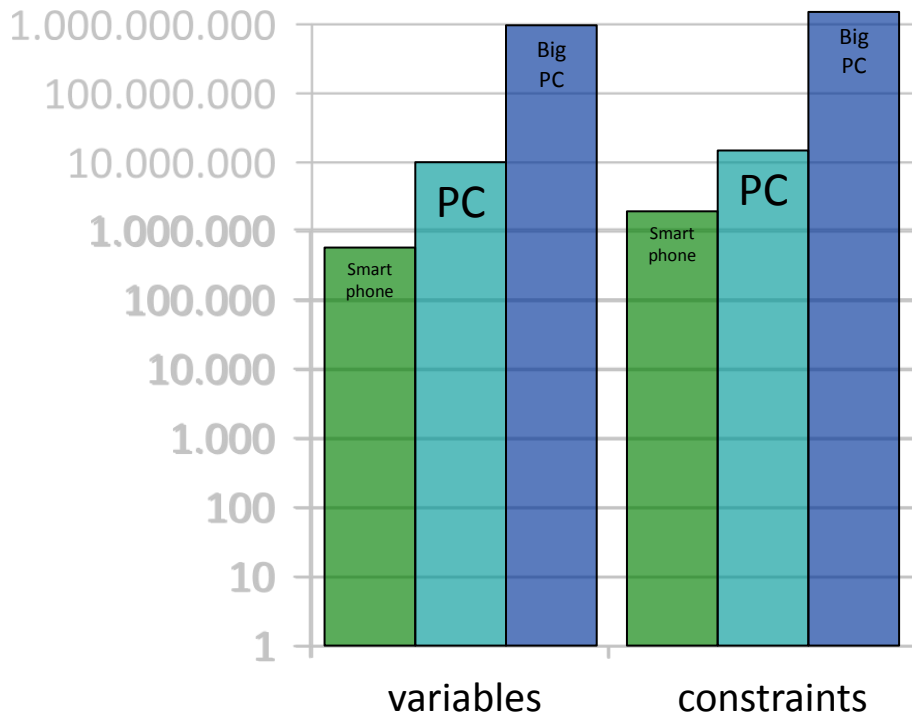


>600 users worldwide
>150 international users



WORHP

Developed at  Universität Bremen*





Nonlinear Optimization

Problem formulation

Standard formulation

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{z \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad & F(z) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & G(z) \leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

WORHP formulation

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{z \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad & F(z) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & l \leq z \leq u \\ & L \leq G(z) \leq U \end{aligned}$$

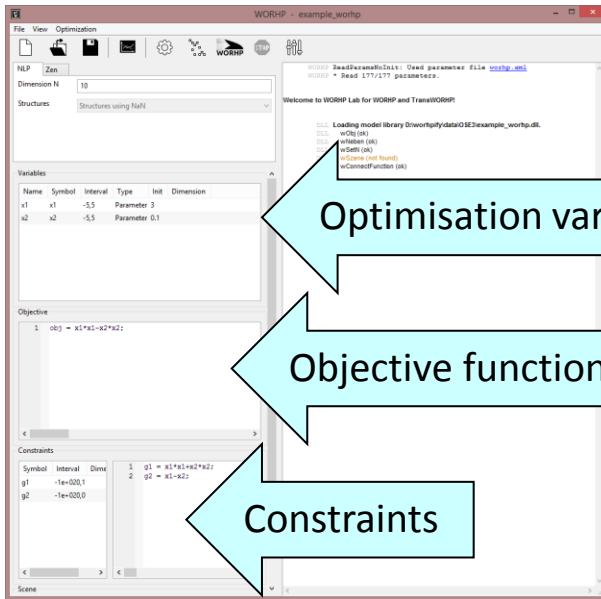
WORHP Lab

- Simplified interface to WORHP
 - hide initialization and reverse communication from user
 - for common tasks (e.g. data interpolation)
 - easy access to solution
- Showcase for features of WORHP
 - Industrial workshops
 - Education (university, school)





WORHP Lab



Optimisation variables with box constraints, parameters

Objective function

Constraints

Load and set function handles



C++ source file

MinGW
Visual Studio



DLL

Smooth surfaces

- Minimise difference of adjacent matrix entries where some entries are fixed

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}} \alpha \sum_{i=2}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (x_{i,j} - x_{i-1,j})^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=2}^n (x_{i,j} - x_{i,j-1})^2$$

$$x_{i,j} \text{ fixed for } (i, j) \in I \subset \{1, \dots, n\}^2$$

WORHP Zen

Impact of small perturbations on optimal solution

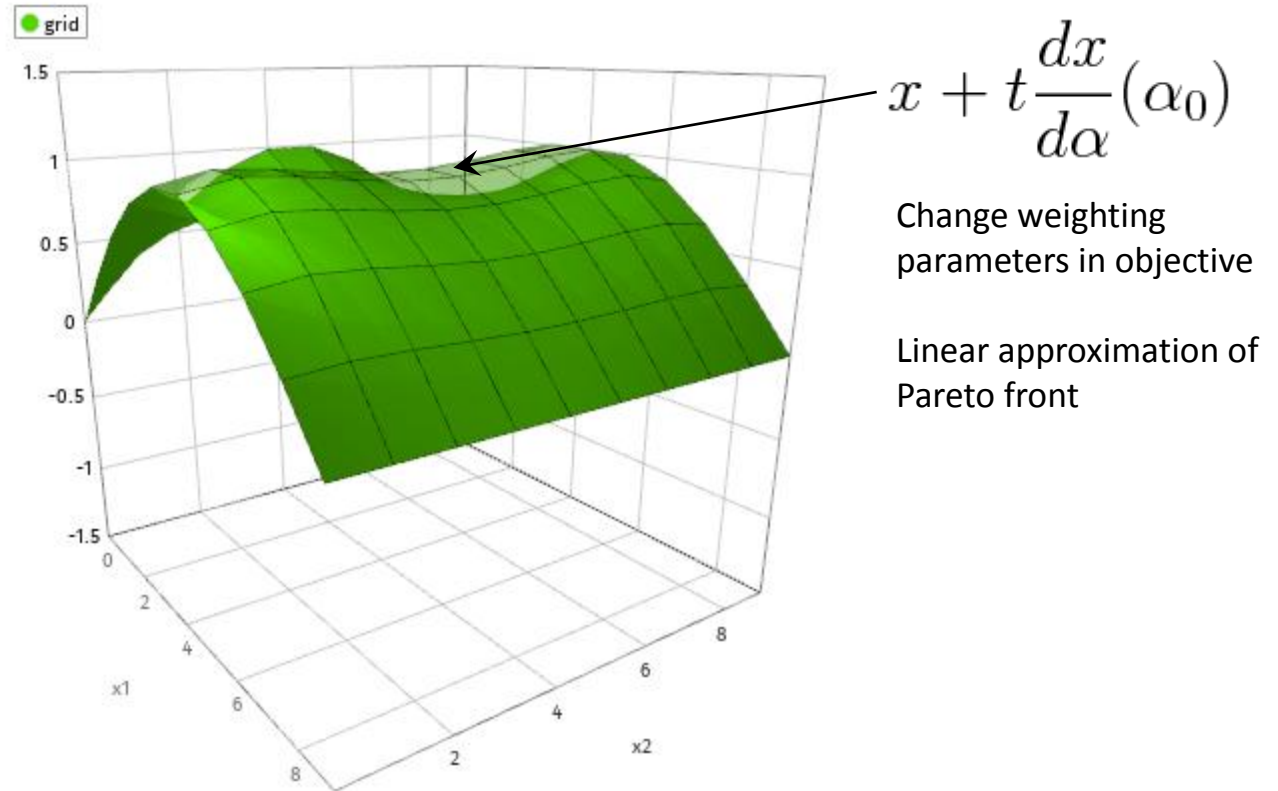
- Parametric Nonlinear Programming $(p_0, r_0, q_0) = (p_0, 0, 0)$

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{z \in \mathbb{R}^n} \quad & F(z, p) + r^T z \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & G(z, p) + q \leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

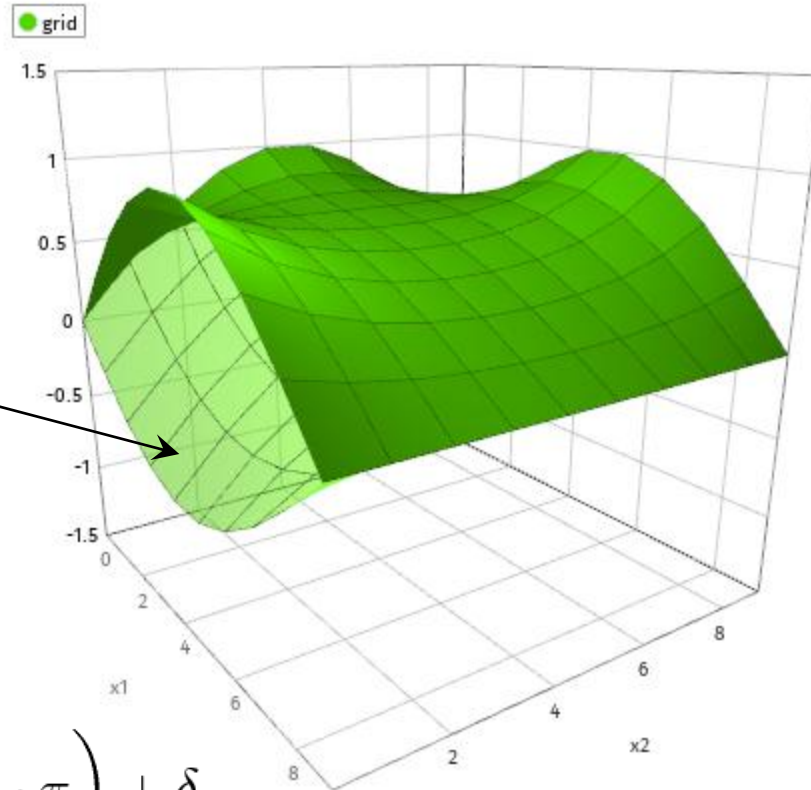
- Sensitivity derivatives of solution $\frac{dz}{dp}(p_0)$
- Extension of sensitivity theorem of Fiacco, Robinson
 - Eliminating NLP fractals (relaxation, regularisation)
 - Without measurable computational cost
 - For free: Additional sensitivity derivatives $\frac{dz}{dq}(0)$ and $\frac{dz}{dr}(0)$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \nabla_z^2 L & \nabla_z G^T \\ \Delta \nabla_z G & \Gamma \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \frac{dz}{dp}(p_0) \\ \frac{d\lambda}{dp}(p_0) \end{pmatrix} = - \begin{pmatrix} \nabla_{zp} L \\ \Delta \nabla_p G \end{pmatrix}$$

Sensitivity analysis in objective



Sensitivity analysis in constraints



$$x + t \frac{dx}{dA}(A_0)$$

Change amplitude
of boundary

$$x_{i,1} = A \sin \left(\frac{i-1}{n-1} \cdot f \cdot \pi \right) + \delta$$



Mathematical Task

General problem formulation of optimal control

How do I have to control the motors, so that
a system is brought from an initial position
to a final position as good as possible
without overstressing?



Mathematical Task

General problem formulation of optimal control

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{u, x, t_f} & \int_0^{t_f} g(x(t), u(t), t) dt \\ \text{s.t.} & \dot{x}(t) = f(x(t), u(t), t), \quad t \in [0; t_f] \\ & \omega(x(0), x(t_f)) = 0 \\ & C(x(t), u(t), t) \leq 0, \quad t \in [0; t_f] \end{aligned}$$



Optimal Control Problem

Standard formulation and methods

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{u, x, t_f} \quad & \int_0^{t_f} g(x(t), u(t), t) dt \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & \dot{x}(t) = f(x(t), u(t), t), \quad t \in [0; t_f] \\ & \omega(x(0), x(t_f)) = 0 \\ & C(x(t), u(t), t) \leq 0, \quad t \in [0; t_f] \end{aligned}$$

Indirect Methods

(First optimize, then discretize)

- Reformulation to a boundary value problem using necessary conditions

Direct Methods

(First discretize, then optimize)

- Reformulation to a nonlinear optimization problem by discretization



Direct Methods

Numerical solution by discretization of time variable

$$t \in [0, t_f] \rightarrow t \in \{0 = t_1 \leq t_2 \leq \dots t_N = t_f\}$$

$$h_i = t_{i+1} - t_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, N - 1$$

Single Shooting/Multiple Shooting

Free Variables

$$u^i \approx u(t_i) \quad x^0 \approx x(0)$$

Recursive integration

$$x^i = x^i(u^1, \dots, u^{i-1})$$

Small + dense

Full Discretization

Free Variables

$$u^i \approx u(t_i) \quad x^i \approx x(t_i)$$

Integration scheme as constraints

$$0 = x^{i+1} - x^i - h_i \cdot f(x^i, u^i, t_i)$$

Large + sparse



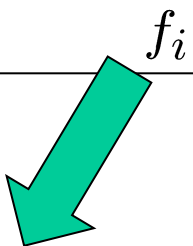
Direct Methods

Numerical Solution by discretization of time variable and Euler's method, e.g.

$$t \in [0, t_f] \rightarrow t \in \{0 = t_1 \leq t_2 \leq \dots t_N = t_f\}$$

$$h_i = t_{i+1} - t_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, N - 1$$

$$u^i \approx u(t_i) \quad x^i \approx x(t_i)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{u, x} \quad & \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} h_i \cdot g(x^i, u^i, t_i) \\ \text{s.t.} \quad & x^{i+1} = x^i + h_i \cdot f(x^i, u^i, t_i), \quad i = 1, \dots, N - 1 \\ & \omega(x^1, x^N) = 0 \\ & C(x^i, u^i, t_i) \leq 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, N \end{aligned}$$


High dimensional NLP problem



Methods of Higher Order

Implicit methods for **free**

Euler's Method

$$0 = x^{i+1} - x^i - h_i f_i$$

Trapezoidal rule

$$0 = x^{i+1} - x^i - \frac{h_i}{2} (f_{i+1} + f_i)$$

Hermite-Simpson: additional point $t_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2}(t_{i+1} + t_i)$

$$0 = x^{i+\frac{1}{2}} - \frac{1}{2}(x^{i+1} + x^i) - \frac{h_i}{8} (f_i - f_{i+1})$$

$$0 = x^{i+1} - x^i - \frac{h_i}{6} \left(f_{i+1} - 4f_{i+\frac{1}{2}} + f_i \right)$$

Precision
of solution

$$\mathcal{O}(h)$$

$$\mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

$$\mathcal{O}(h^4)$$



Parking

Dynamic system

- States:
 - Position x, y
 - Orientation of car θ
 - Steering angle φ
 - Velocity v
- Controls
 - Rate of steering angle σ
 - Acceleration u
- Constants
 - Gear ratio b

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x} &= v \cos \theta \\ \dot{y} &= v \sin \theta \\ \dot{v} &= u \\ \dot{\theta} &= \frac{v}{b} \sin \varphi \\ \dot{\varphi} &= \sigma\end{aligned}$$



Parking

Optimal control problem

- Objective: Free process time and “energy consumption”

$$\min t_f + \int_0^{t_f} u^2 + \sigma^2 dt$$

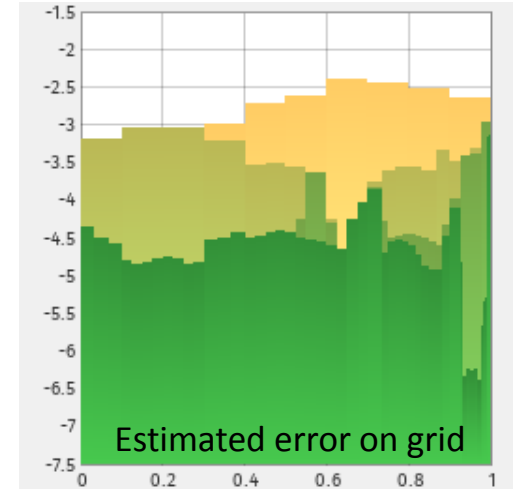
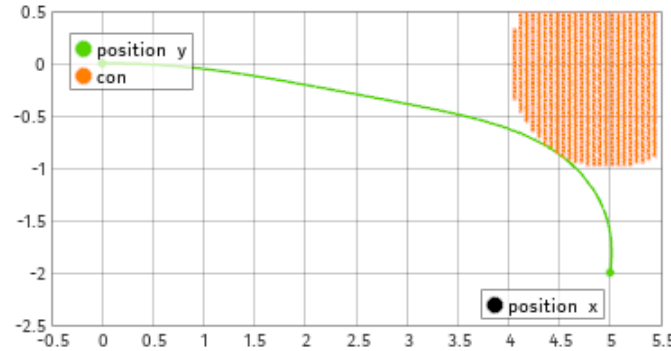
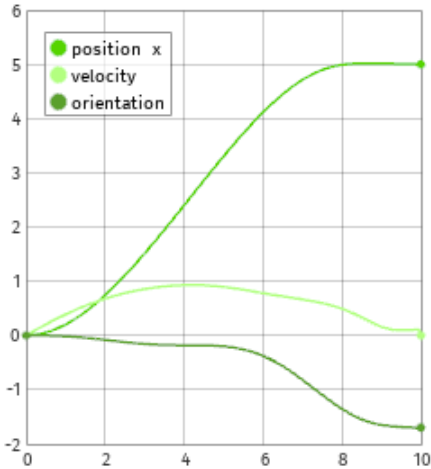
- Boundary conditions: Halt at initial and terminal point

$$\begin{aligned}x(0) &= 0 & x(t_f) &= 5 \\y(0) &= 0 & y(t_f) &= 2 \\v(0) &= 0 & v(t_f) &= 0 \\\theta(0) &= 0 & \theta(t_f) &= -\frac{\pi}{2} \\\varphi(0) &= 0 & \varphi(t_f) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

- Path constraints: Avoid $(x,y) = (5,0)$

$$(x - 5)^2 + y^2 \geq 1$$

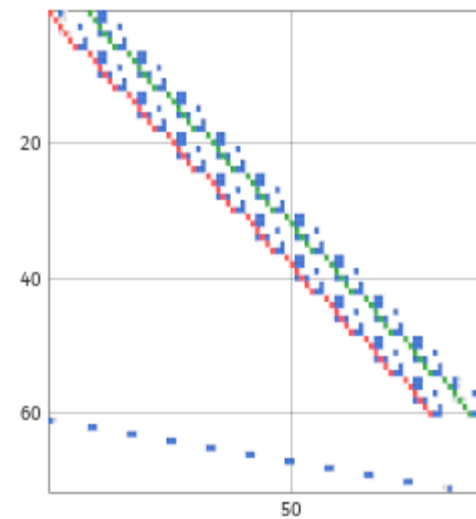
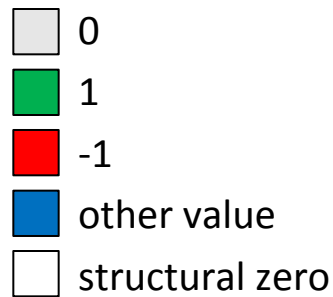
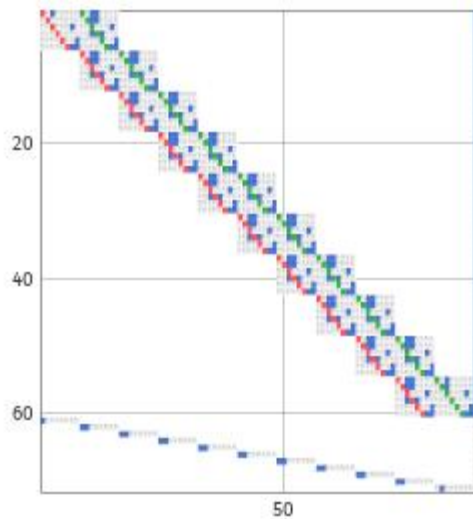
Parking Solution



- Full discretization: Euler, Trapezoidal, Hermite Simpson
 - Adaptive grid points
- Multiple shooting

Matrix Structures

Automatic sparsity detection

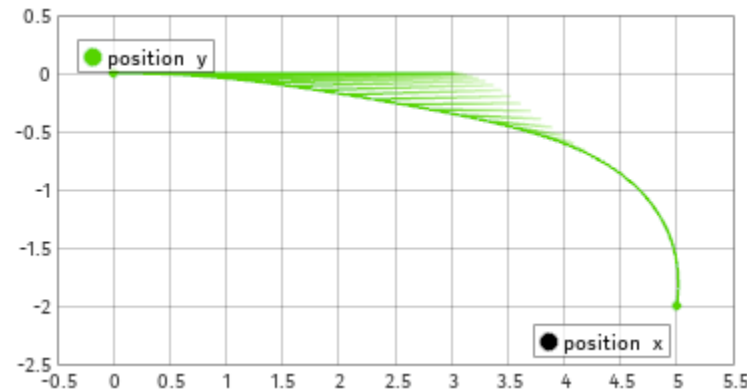
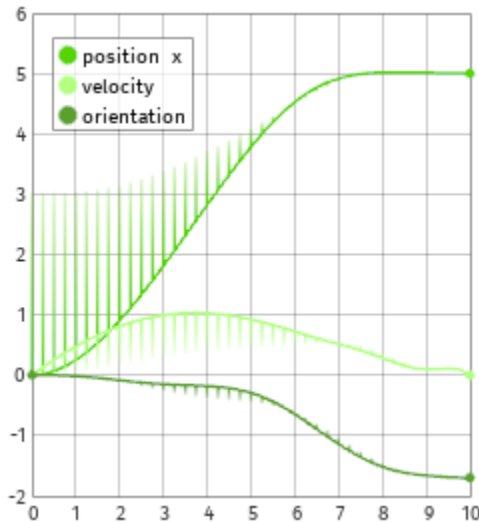


- Structure due to integration method

- Structure due to
 - sparse ode system
 - sparse path constraints

Sensitivity Analysis for Parking

Result from WORHP Zen



- Sensitivity of gear ratio
- Sensitivity of initial position x



Real-Time Optimal Control

Using sensitivity differentials of ode

1. Update control and state for $i = 1$

$$u^{[1]}(p) = u(p_0) + \frac{du}{dp}(p_0) \cdot (p - p_0) \quad x^{[1]}(p) = x(p_0) + \frac{dx}{dp}(p_0) \cdot (p - p_0)$$

2. Measure deviations $\Delta q^i := (x^{[i],j+1} - x^{[i],j} - h_j \cdot f(x^{[i],j}, u^{[i],j}, t_j))_{j=1, \dots, N-1}$

3. While $\Delta q^i > \varepsilon$

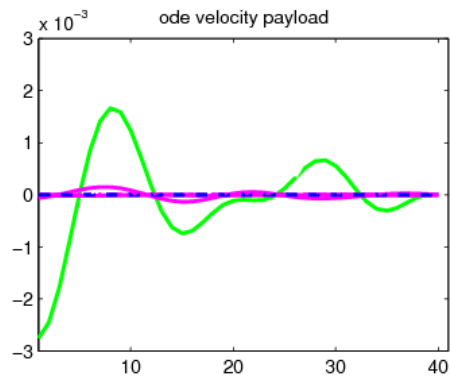
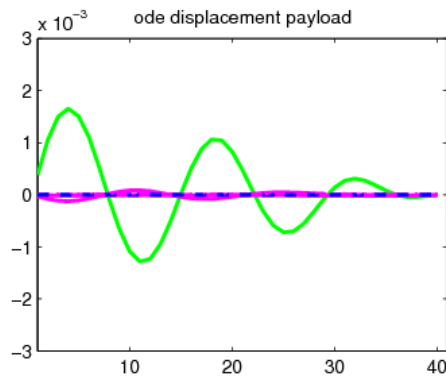
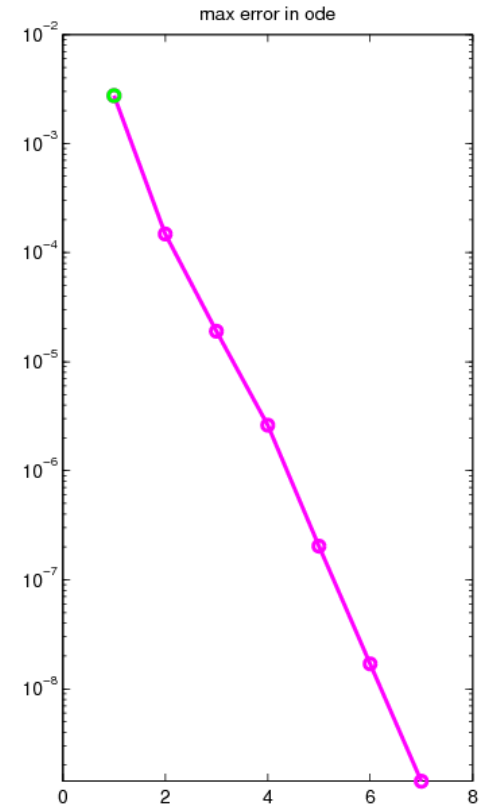
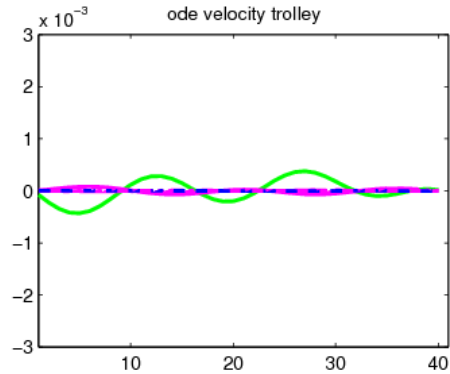
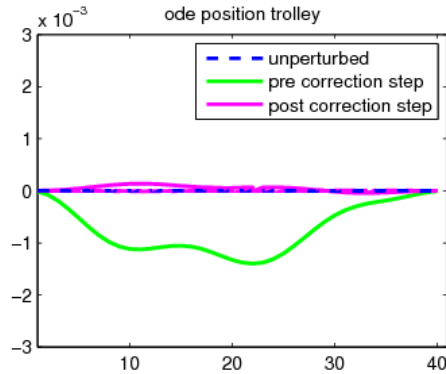
- a. Update control and state

$$u^{[i+1]}(p) = u^{[i]}(p) + \frac{du}{dq}(0) \cdot \Delta q^i \quad x^{[i+1]}(p) = x^{[i]}(p) + \frac{dx}{dq}(0) \cdot \Delta q^i$$

- b. Update deviation, $i = i + 1$



Real-Time Optimal Control



Tracking Problems

Industrial Application

Simulation environments

- real-time reaction to user input
- robot-based flight simulations

- Hexapod-Robot
 - control=acceleration
 - 15 state functions
 - 7 control functions
- Predicted Pseudo-Tracking
- Optimization cycle <200 ms



Assistance systems

- controller to simplify handling

- Crane System
- Tracking of user input



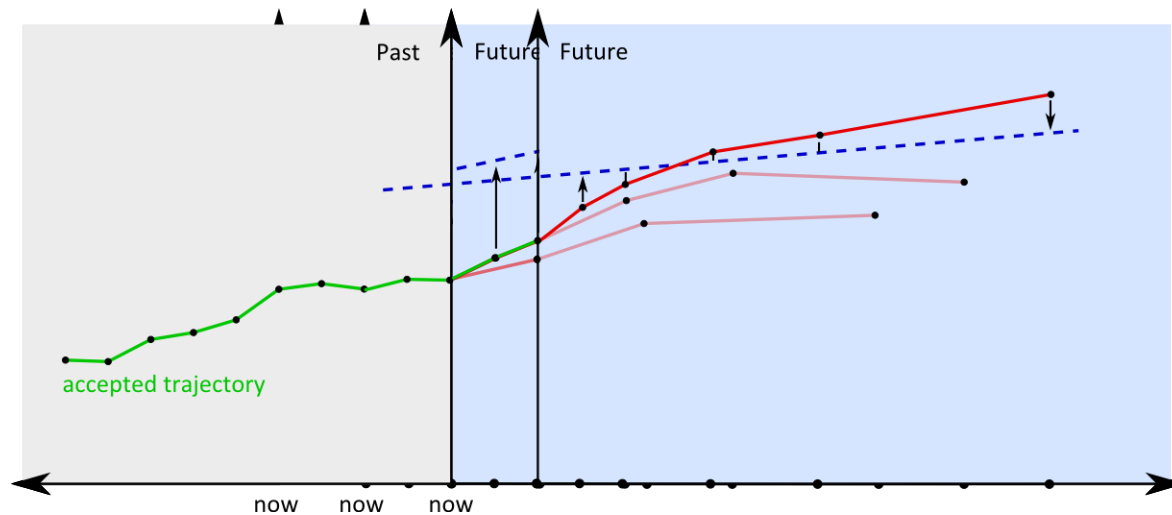
Task unknown in advance

Task too complex for
feedback controllers

MPC with TransWORHP

Nonlinear Model Predictive Control

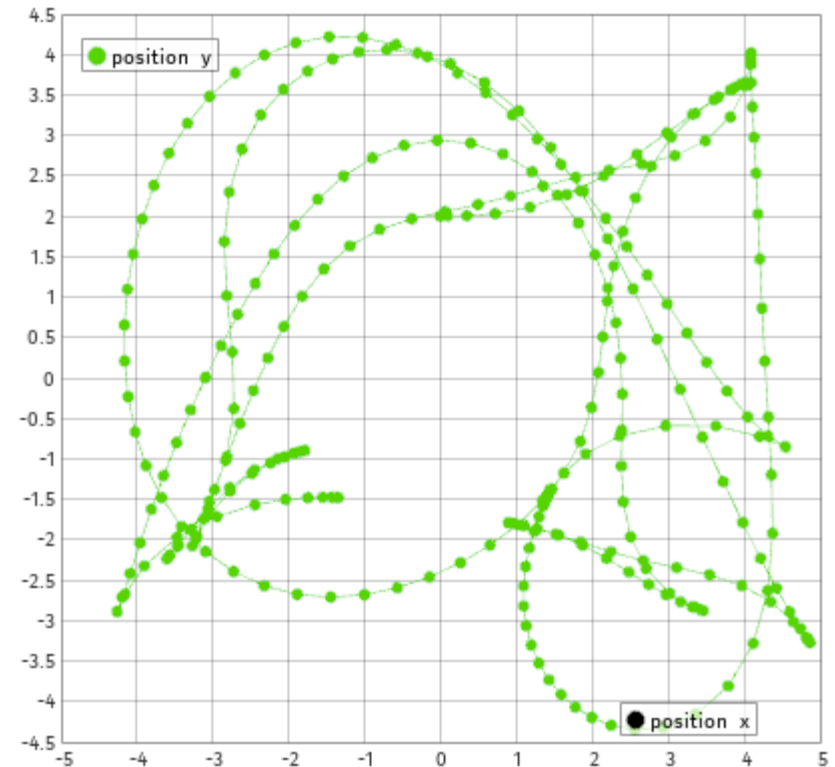
- Finite prediction horizon
- Accept only first part of iterative solution



Chasing with a car

MPC

- Objective:
 - Reach target
 - “Stable” final position
- No boundary conditions
- Prediction time: 2 seconds
- Accepted time: 0.5 seconds
- Target moves on Lissajous figure



Conclusions

- WORHP Family
 - WORHP - TransWORHP - WORHP Zen - WORHP Lab
- Online and real-time solutions of OCP
 - WORHP/TransWORHP < 1000 ms
 - MPC for tracking < 100 ms
 - Real-time correction < 1 ms
- **Current Work.** Representative examples
 - Automatic derivatives using operator overloading
 - 3d visualization
 - Support of various user input devices (Joystick, Kinect)
- **Transfer.** e.g. Automotive, Logistics, Aerospace, Energy

