

Assignment01

1) Consider the rocket example 3 page 125. What is the solution to the optimization problem if L^2 norm of $u(t)$ is minimized instead.

Solution 1:

$$F(u) = \int_0^T |u(t)|^2 dt + \lambda \left(\int_0^T (T-t)u(t)dt - \left(1 + \frac{T^2}{2}\right) \right)$$

$$F(u + \epsilon h) = \int_0^T |u(t) + \epsilon h(t)|^2 dt + \lambda \left(\int_0^T (T-t)(u(t) + \epsilon h(t))dt - \left(1 + \frac{T^2}{2}\right) \right)$$

$$\frac{dF(u+\epsilon h)}{d\epsilon} = \int_0^T 2(u(t) + \epsilon h(t))h(t)dt + \lambda \left(\int_0^T (T-t)h(t)dt \right)$$

$$\frac{dF(u+\epsilon h)}{d\epsilon} \Big|_{\epsilon=0} = \int_0^T 2u(t)h(t)dt + \lambda \left(\int_0^T (T-t)h(t)dt \right) = \int_0^T (2u(t) + \lambda(T-t))h(t)dt$$

So, $2u(t) + \lambda(T-t) = 0$, and $u(t) = -\frac{\lambda}{2}(T-t)$.

Since, $\int_0^T (T-t)u(t)dt = 1 + \frac{T^2}{2}$, we get

$$\int_0^T (T-t)u(t)dt = -\int_0^T (T-t)\frac{\lambda}{2}(T-t)dt = -\frac{\lambda}{2} \int_0^T T^2 - 2Tt + t^2 dt = -\frac{\lambda}{2} (T^2t - Tt^2 + \frac{1}{3}t^3) \Big|_0^T = -\frac{\lambda}{2} (T^3 - T^3 + \frac{1}{3}T^3) = -\frac{\lambda}{6}T^3 = 1 + \frac{T^2}{2}$$

$$\text{So, } \lambda = -\frac{6+3T^2}{T^3}$$

$$\text{So, } u(t) = \frac{6+3T^2}{2T^3}(T-t)$$

Solution 2:

The L^2 norm of $u(t)$ is $(\int_0^T |u(t)|^2 dt)^{\frac{1}{2}}$. We want to minimize it with constraint $\int_0^T (T-t)u(t)dt = 1 + \frac{T^2}{2}$.

If u is any function satisfying the constraint, $\min_{\langle T-t, u \rangle = 1 + \frac{T^2}{2}} \|u\|_2 = \min_{m^* \in M^\perp} \|u - m^*\|_2$, where M denotes the space generated by $T-t$, a subspace of $L_2[0, T]$.

From theorem 2 of the book, on page 121,

$$\min_{m^* \in M^\perp} \|u - m^*\|_2 = \sup_{m \in M, \|x\|_2 \leq 1} \langle m, u \rangle = \max_{\|(T-t)a\|_2 \leq 1} (1 + \frac{T^2}{2})a$$

$$\|(T-t)a\|_2 = (\int_0^T ((T-t)a)^2 dt)^{\frac{1}{2}} = (a^2(T^2 - \frac{1}{2}T^2))^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}T|a|$$

Since $\|(T-t)a\|_2 \leq 1$, we get $|a| \leq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{T}$

$$\text{So, } \min_{\langle T-t, u \rangle = 1 + \frac{T^2}{2}} \|u\|_2 = \max_{\|(T-t)a\|_2 \leq 1} (1 + \frac{T^2}{2})a = \max_{|a| \leq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{T}} (1 + \frac{T^2}{2})a = (1 + \frac{T^2}{2})\frac{\sqrt{2}}{T} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{T} + \frac{\sqrt{2}T}{2}$$

$$(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{T} + \frac{\sqrt{2}T}{2})T = \sqrt{2}(-1)\frac{1}{T^2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = 0, \text{ we get } T = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\text{So, } \min_{\langle T-t, u \rangle = 1 + \frac{T^2}{2}} \|u\|_2 = 2.$$

The optimal u must be aligned with $(T-t)\frac{\sqrt{2}}{T}$.

2) Each student is asked to pick a problem from Chapters 4 or 5 that interests them most and solve it. Please post your solutions to the wiki so that your colleagues can comment on them.

Question 12 on Page 139

$$L_2(x) = \sum_{k=0}^2 a_{2k}x(\frac{k}{2}) = a_{20}x(0) + a_{21}x(0.5) + a_{22}x(1)$$

$$\text{Let } p = a + bt + ct^2$$

$$L(p) = \int_0^1 P(t)dt = \int_0^1 a + bt + ct^2 dt = \left(\frac{1}{3}ct^3 + \frac{1}{2}bt^2 + at\right)\bigg|_0^1 = \frac{1}{3}c + \frac{1}{2}b + a.$$

$$L_2(p) = a_{20}a + a_{21}\left(a + \frac{1}{2}b + \frac{1}{4}c\right) + a_{22}(a + b + c) = (a_{20} + a_{21} + a_{22})a + \left(\frac{a_{21}}{2} + a_{22}\right)b + \left(\frac{1}{4}(a_{21} + a_{22})\right)c$$

$$\text{Since } L(p) = L_2(p), \text{ we get } a_{20} + a_{21} + a_{22} = 1, \frac{a_{21}}{2} + a_{22} = \frac{1}{2}, \frac{a_{21}}{4} + a_{22} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{So, } a_{20} = \frac{1}{6}, a_{21} = \frac{2}{3}, a_{22} = \frac{1}{6}.$$

$$\text{So, } L_2(x) = \frac{1}{6}x(0) + \frac{2}{3}x(0.5) + \frac{1}{6}x(1)$$

3) Question 21 on page 76

Q can be decomposed in to $L^T L$ since Q is a SPD matrix, then $x^T Q x = x^T L^T L x = (Lx)^T Lx$. Let $y=Lx$, then $x = L^{-1}y$. Let $B = AL^{-1}$, then the problem can be restated as:

minimize the norm of y subject to $By = b$.

Suppose y_0 has the minumum norm, $y_0 = (\beta B)^T$, β is a $1 \times m$ matrix

Based on the projection theorem,

$$B(y - y_0) = 0$$

$$By_0 = By = b$$

$$B(\beta B)^T = b$$

$$BB^T \beta^T = b$$

$$\beta^T = (BB^T)^{-1}b = (AL^{-1}(AL^{-1})^T)^{-1}b$$